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FROM 1 MAY 70 TO 31 MAY 70

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM
NUI DAT

2 May 70

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

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

1. Operations Summary

a. General.

- (1) 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANG IV in the 1 ATF TAOR. HQ 1 ATF remains in NUI DAT.
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- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) returned to NUI DAT. Tp(-) remains area BINH GIA. Sect in sp 7 RAR in AO PENNY. One sect remained with MCT. One sect with LCT. Tp op in AO TULIP.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. 18 contact and 35 Intel and Aquired tgt missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Sqn(-) remained deployed in sp 1 ATF ops. Road construction continued Route 2 vic NGAI GIAO and Route 23 between LONG DIEN and DAT DO Elms continued minefield clearance South of DAT DO.
- (6) 17 Const Sqn. Road construction continued vic LONG DIEN. Bridge construction continued Route 23. Quarry team remained vic YS4453. Road construction continued Route 44. Land clearing continued Route 15.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). Bn(-) remained loc NUI DAT. One coy ops in vic BINH BA YS4473.
- (8) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remained deployed AO PENNY with Bn HQ at FSPB DISCOVERY. One coy remained loc HORSESHOE HILL.
- (9) 8 RAR. Bn(-) deployed three coys in sp 2/25 (US) Bde on Route 2. One coy remains in area of HOA LONG. Elms remain AO BENDIGO.

b. Plans Summary for Period 020001H to 022400H May 70.

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains in NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Elms with MCT. Tp ops 7 RAR in AO PENNY. Tp ops in AO TULIP.
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- (3) 1 Fd Sqn. Continues minefield clearance DAT DO. Continues road const Routes 2 and 23. Sp inf bns. Bridge const continues on Route 23.
- (4) 17 Const Sqn. Road and bridge construction continues Route 23. Road const team and quarry team with inf and armoured elms remain vic YS4453.
- (5) 6 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). Bn(-) remains in NUI DAT. One coy remains vic BINH BA YS4473.
- (6) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remains in AO PENNY. BHQ at FSPB DISCOVERY. One coy remains HORSESHOE HILL.
- (7) 8 RAR. Bn(-) remains with three coys in sp 2/25 (US) Bde. One coy in vic HOA LONG. Elms remain at AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

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c. Locations

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. SHQ NUI DAT, 1Tp NDP ELIZABETH, 2Tp HORSESHOE, 3Tp FSPB DISCOVERY, 4Tp YS457877.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. SHQ NUI DAT, 1Tp YS497890, 2Tp NUI DAT, 3Tp NUI DAT.
- (3) 1 ATF Artillery. RHQ NUI DAT, 101 Bty NUI DAT, 106 Bty FSPB DISCOVERY, 161 NZ Bty (-) NUI DAT, Sect 161 NZ Bty HORSESHOE.
- (4) 7 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB DISCOVERY, A Coy YS541691, B Coy YS572682, C Coy HORSESHOE, D Coy YS594716.
- (5) 6 RAR/NZ(ANZAC)(-) NUI DAT, A Coy YS432741.
- (6) 8 RAR. Bn HQ NUI DAT, A Coy YS477598, B Coy YS395761, C Coy YS372767, D Coy YS421896.
- (7) Land Clearing Team. SOUTH DAKOTA.
- (8) Mine Clearing Team. NDP TIMOTHY.

d. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 010145H at YS459893 elements of B Sqn 3 Cav engaged with .30 cal at 30M 2 enemy who approached NDP. Enemy wdr south with unk results.
- (2) At 302118H at YS418737 1 Pl A Coy 6 RAR engaged unk number of enemy who approached NDP with negative results.
- (3) At 487370 a first light sweep following contact by 7Pl C Coy 7 RAR with tracker dog located docus indicating D445. Trail had been washed out by rain but headed generally SW. 1 enemy shot 3 times in 3ft range by sentry and body seen being dragged away 1 KIA(poss).
- (4) Between 010845H and 011000H at YS404746 & YS405739 5 and 4Pl of B Coy 8 RAR engaged a total of 15 VC dressed in blue and black. 15 first sighted by arty, fire onto 5Pl also saw and engaged 10 killing 2 and wounding 1. En returned heavy volume of SA fire and wdr. 3 then engaged by 2Pl when 1 VC KIA. Results: 3 VC KIA (BC) incl 2 females, 1VC WIA (BT), 1X Garand rifle, 4 packs, 3lbs polished rice, 72 medical phials, 9 sets civie clothing, torch, qty docus CIA.
- (5) At 011430H at YS435529 elements of 17 Const working on Route 44 detonated 1X 414 mine without sustaining any cas or damage.
- (6) Further investigation of bunker system located by 12Pl D Coy 7 RAR at 301100H at YS585709 has revealed replica of last defensive wiring possibly used to train sapper.
- (7) At 011410H at YS398748 4Pl B Coy 8 RAR during sweep of area engaged by blocking arty for previous B Coy contact engaged and killed 1VC who is believed to have been wounded in earlier contact. Results: 1VC KIA(BC), qty of .30 cal ammo, 2 packs, qty medical eqpt, qty rice and docus CIA.
- (8) At 011510H elements of 1 SAS Sqn engaged 6VC immediately following the ptls insertion. Results: 1 VC KIA(BC), 1VC WIA. B/R in sp engaged VC in open. 2VC KBA poss (2 seen to fall).
- (9) At 011600H at YS400748 4/B/8 RAR located and destroyed an en camp. Destroyed were various bags and plastic containers containing 70X AK47 rds, qty clothing, cooking utensils, 30lb rice, 5lb cooking salt, 3lb sugar, nuts, dried fruit, 5 gal fish oil, tobacco, 1X saw, 1X machete, 2 large bags of mangoes.
- (10) At 102015H at YS403633 elms of 1/A/8 RAR contacted estimated 10 en who withdrew NNW. Results. unknown.
- (11) At 101945H at YS478581 3/A/8 RAR contacted 30-40 en and received approximately 30 incoming RPG's. En withdrew E and S. Results: 1VC KIA(BC), 1 X AK47 CIA, 1 Aust WIA. Sweep to be conducted in the morning.

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(12) At 012138H at YS403633 elms of 1/A/8 BAR contacted an unknown number of enemy who approached from SW. Results so far 3 VC KIA(BC). Sweep to be conducted in the morning.

e. Results

(1) Friendly Losses.

(a) Personnel. 1 Aust WIA.

(b) Materiel Nil

(2) Enemy Losses

(a) Personnel. 9 VC KIA(BC), 1VC KIA(poss), 2WIA(BT).

(b) Materiel. 1X garand rifle, 6 packs, qty rice, 32 medical phials, qty civ clothing, 1X torch, qty docus, qty .30 ammo, 70 rds AK47 ammo, cooking utensils, salt, fish oil, tobacco, 1 X saw, 1X machete, 2 large bags, mangoes, 1X AK47.

F. Small Unit Actions

(1) Company - 1

Platoon - 2

Squad - 4

(2) 1 SAS Sqn has 5 LRRPS deployed.

(3) Small Unit Actions with contact: 1

(4) Results: 1 VC KIA(BC), 1 WIA, 2VC KBA (poss).

2. a.b. Omitted.

c. Engineering Operations (1) Land Clearing Team. 180,000 sq metres cleared.
(2) Mine Clearing Team. 3 bunds cleared.

3. Meteorological Detail

a. Rainfall Nil

b. Prevailing Winds. 10-15 knots SE.

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- (4) Task Force Artillery. Nil contact and 32 Intel and Acquired tgt missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Sqn(-) remained deployed in sp 1 ATF ops. Road construction continued Route 2 vic NGAI GIAO and Route 23 between LONG DIEN and DAT DO. Elms continued minefield clearance South of DAT DO.
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- (9) 8 RAR. Bn(-) deployed three coys in sp 2/25 (US) Bde on Route 2. One coy remains in area of HOA LONG. Elms remain AO BENDIGO.

b. Plans Summary for Period 030001H to 032400H May 70.

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- (6) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remains in AO PENNY. BHQ at FSPB DISCOVERY. One coy remains HORSESHOE HILL.
- (7) 8 RAR. Bn(-) remains with three coys in sp 2/25 (US) Bde. One coy in vic HOA LONG. Elms remain at AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

c. Locations

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp NDP ELIZABETH, 2 Tp HORSESHOE, 3 Tp 612728, 4 Tp 476887.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp 497890, 2 Tp NUI DAT, 3 Tp NUI DAT.
- (3) 1 ATF Artillery. RHQ NUI DAT, 101 Bty NUI DAT, 106 Bty DISCOVERY 161 NZ Bty(-) NUI DAT, Sect 161 HORSESHOE, C Bty 2/35th US Arty NUI DAT.
- (4) 7 RAR. Bn HQ DISCOVERY, A Coy 541691, B Coy 572682, C Coy HORSESHOE, D Coy 594716.
- (5) 6 RAR/NZ(ANZAC).(-) NUI DAT, B Coy 424737.
- (6) 8 RAR. Bn HQ NUI DAT, A Coy 477598, B Coy 395761, C Coy 372767, D Coy 426896.
- (7) Mine Clearing Team. NDP TIMOTHY.
- (8) Land Clearing Team. SOUTH DAKOTA.

d. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 021000H at YS436891 12 PL D Coy 8 RAR located 10x105mm HE rds which had not been fired but which had had the explosive contents and fuzes removed.
- (2) At 021145H at YS284638 elements of 17 Const Sqn with the land clearing team detonated an M16 mine without sustaining any cas or damage.
- (3) At 021420 at YS557684 Elements of 5 Pl B coy 7 RAR engaged at 100m 2 enemy moving away towards NE with negative results.
- (4) At 021940H at YS537780 elms of 2 Tp B Sqn 3 Cav observed movement. Area engaged by arty from LE LOI.

e. Results

- (1) Friendly Losses
- (a) Personnel. Nil
- (b) Material. Nil
- (2) Enemy Losses
- (a) Personnel. Nil
- (b) Material. Nil

f. Small Unit Actions

- (1) Company - 1
Platoon - 2
Squad - 4
- (2) 1 SAS Sqn has 6 LRRPS deployed.
- (3) Small Unit Actions with Contact: Nil.
- (4) Omitted.

2. Combined Operations

a. Omitted

c. Engineering Operations

- (1) Land Clearing Team. 160,000 sq metres cleared.
- (2) Mine Clearing Team. 16,000 sq metres stripped. 3 mines exploded. 2 Bunds pushed in.

3. Metereological Detail

- (a) Rainfall. .07"
- (b) Prevailing Winds. 9 knots at 350 degrees.

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- (10) Air Support.

<u>TIME</u>	<u>REFERENCE</u>	<u>BDA/REPORT</u>
031145H	YS709878	2 Large Huts (40' X 30') Destroyed, 2 Bunkers destroyed.

b. Plans Summary for Period 040001H to 042400H May 70

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c. Locations

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. HQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2 Tp 517613, 3 Tp DISCOVERY, 4 Tp 456868.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. NUI DAT,
- (3) 1 ATF Artillery. HQ 4 Fd Regt RAA NUI DAT, 101 Fd Bty NUI DAT, 106 Fd Bty FSPB DISCOVERY, 161 (NZ) Fd Bty(-) NUI DAT, Sect 161 (NZ) Fd Bty HORSESHOE, C/2/35 US Arty NUI DAT.
- (4) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC).(-) NUI DAT, B Coy 442733.
- (5) 7 RAR. HQ FSPB DISCOVERY, A Coy 541691, B Coy 572682, C Coy HORSESHOE, D Coy 594716.
- (6) 8 RAR. HQ NUI DAT, A Coy 477598, B Coy 395761, C Coy 376775, D Coy 426896.
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d. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 031100H at YS586638 Aslt Pnr Pl 8 RAR detected a booby trap on bridge. Device estimated to have been positioned within 24 hours and consisted of a US Pineapple grenade with wire attached for comd detonation.
- (2) At 031015H at YS571679 4/B/7 RAR engaged 6-7 Main Force who approached from West and wdr West after contact. Enemy returned fire with AK47 and RPGs. Results: 2 Aust WIA, 1 VC WIA (BT). Heavy blood trail indicating possible mortal wound. Qty docus (identifying C/6 D440), 70 x AK47 rds, qty clothing, 50 lbs rice, qty medical sups and 1 AK47 mag CIA.
- (3) At 031150H at YS520899, elms of 1 Tp B Sqn 3 Cav Regt engaged unk number of enemy with 81mm mor with negative results. Enemy wdr East.
- (4) At 030915H at YS585661, 6/B/7 RAR located the bodies of 4 VC KIA by GSW. Bodies were on top of ground and believed to have been killed approx 1 week ago by D Coy elms at 221930H Apr at YS574685.
- (5) At 031545H at YS583669 6/B/7 RAR located a 200m x 50m area containing 30 bunkers and 18 pits. The well constructed system faced N, was 4-5 months old and last used 2-3 months ago.
- (6) At 031700H at YS587667 located a 150m x 25m system with 8 pits (18" OHP) capable of accommodating 15-20 men and 2 cookhouses. The system ran N-S along the river and possibly extends across the river (to be investigated tomorrow). Constructed 2 weeks ago and occupied 1 week ago. Near the river was a waterproofed drum, possibly used for a letter box.

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(7) At 031955H (approx) at YS473385 3/A/8 RAR contacted an en force of unk size who approached from the SE. En returned RPG and automatic SA fire. Results: 6 Aust WIA, 1 VC KIA (BC). Sweep to be conducted in the morning.

(8) At 032317 at YS571679 elms of 4/B/7 RAR engaged unknown number of en with arty mors and SA fire with unknown results. Sweep to be conducted in the morning.

e. Results.

(1) Friendly Losses

(a) Personnel. 8 Aust WIA. (1 remained on duty).

(b) Omitted.

(2) Enemy Losses

(a) Personnel. 5 VC KIA (BC), 1 VC WIA (BT).

(b) Material. 50 lbs rice, 70 x AK47 rds and 1 mag, qty clothing and med sups, qty docus.

f. Small Unit Actions

(1) Company - 1.

Platoon - 2.

Squad - 4.

(2) 1 SAS Sqn has 5 LRRPS deployed.

(3) Small Unit Actions with contact: Nil.

(4) Omitted.

2. Combined Operations

a. Omitted.

b. Omitted.

c. Engineering Operations.

(1) Mine Clearing Team. 20,000 sq metres cleared. 3 bunds pushed in and 2 mines detonated.

(2) Land Clearing Team. 180,000 sq metres cleared.

3. Meteorological Detail

a. Rainfall. Nil/

b. Prevailing Winds. 10 - 15 knots SE.

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- (10) Air Support.

<u>TIME</u>	<u>GRID</u>	<u>BDA/REPORT</u>
041015H	YS463536	2 caves dest, 2 bnks dest, 1 well dam, 1 secondary explosion.
041040H	YS463536	1 bnk dest, 75 metres comms trench dest.
041103H	YS488525	2 bnks dest, 5 bnks damaged, further 10-12 bnks left.

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/(7) 8 RAR

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(7) 8 RAR. Bn(-) remains with three coys in sp 2/25 (US) Bde. One coy in vic DAT DO. Elms remain at AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

c. Locations.

(1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2 Tp HORSESHOE, 3 Tp DISCOVERY, 4 Tp YS521889.

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

(3) 1 ATF Artillery. RHQ NUI DAT, 101 Fd Bty NUI DAT, 106 Fd Bty DISCOVERY, 161 (NZ) Fd Bty HORSESHOE, C/2/35 US Arty NUI DAT.

(4) 7 RAR. Bn HQ DISCOVERY, A Coy YS541691, B Coy YS572682, C Coy HORSESHOE, D Coy YS594716.

(5) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn(-) NUI DAT, D Coy YS427739, W Coy YS278567.

(6) 8 RAR. Bn HQ NUI DAT, A Coy YS478598, B Coy YS395760, C Coy YS392789, D Coy YS426896.

(7) Land Clearing Team. SOUTH DAKOTA.

(8) Mine Clearing Team. NDP TIMOTHY.

d. Contacts and Incidents.

(1) At 040800H of YS 445892 elements of 1 Tp B Sqn 3 Cav Regt detonated a 40lb pressure mine (probably 155mm shell). Mine buried 6" deep and connected to 4ft of wire Result: 3 Aust WIA (Shrap) underside and transmission of M113 APC damaged

(2) At 031955H at YS475585 3pl A Coy 8 RAR engaged 40-50 VC dressed in green shirts and blue trousers who approached from South while 3pl was establishing night AP. En, carrying AK47, RPL HG and M79 withdrew and reorganised prior to manoeuvring by fire and movement to recover bodies of 2 en KIA. En finally wdr South Result: 6 Aust WIA, 2 VC KIA, 3 VC WIA (Drag marks and blood trails 1 M26, 1 H26 CIA. (Note 6 Aust WIA and 1 VC KIA previously reported)

(3) At 032317 H at YS 571679 elements of 4/B/7 RAR engaged at 40m range 8-10 en who had been observed apparently searching for something with torches. En had approached from SW and returned fire with 4-6 AK47 before wdr in two groups to W and NW. Detailed sweep at first light failed to detect the object of the en search.

(4) At 041545H at YS 392789 Elements of C Coy 8 RAR sighted 5 VC dressed in black, carrying weapons & moving on a good track. Area being ambushed.

(5) At 041732H at YS 464669 elms of 6 RAR located a very old camp incl 1 partly destroyed bunker not used for about 2yrs.

(6) At 041600H at YS 580702 12/D/7 RAR located at 100x150m bunker system containing 3x"T" shaped pits, 5x1 man pits 1x"U" shaped pits (already destroyed) Area sited in all round def with 6-18" OHP but not well constructed. Had been built 1 month ago and last occupied about 10 days ago. Tracks led N&S.

e. Results.

(1) Friendly Losses.

(a) Personnel. 3 Aust WIA.

(b) Material. 1xAPC damaged.

(2) Enemy Losses.

(a) Personnel. 1 VC KIA, 3 VC WIA.

(b) Material. 1xM16, 1xM26 gren.

f. Small Unit Actions.

(1) Company - 2

Platoon - 2

Squad - 3

(2) 1 SAS Sqn has 5 LRRPS deployed.

(3) Small Unit Actions with contacts: Nil.

(4) Results. Nil.

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2. Combined Operations.

a. Psychological Operations.

(1) Ground teams operating in Viet Cuong area with Sector elms.

b. RF Operations. Nil.

c. Engineering Operations.

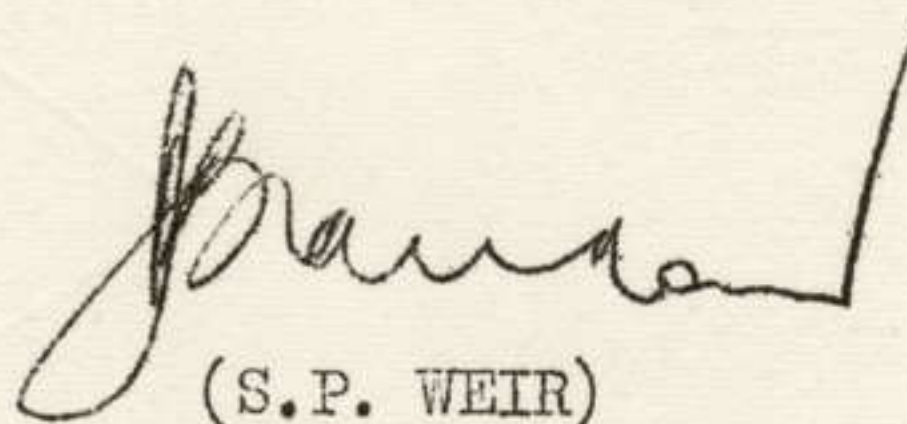
(1) Mine Clearing Team. 9 bunds pushed in. No mines detonated.

(2) Land Clearing Team. 20,000 sq metres cleared. No mines detonated.

3. Meteorological Detail.

a. Rainfall. Nil.

b. Prevailing Winds. SSE at 14 knots.



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NUI DAT

6 MAY 70

SUBJECT : Ground Commander's Situation Report (SITREP)
From 050001H to 052400H May 70.

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

1. Operations Summary

a. General.

- (1) 1 ATF continued operation TOAN THANG IV in the 1 ATF TAOR. HQ 1 ATF remains NUI DAT.
- (2) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains in NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Tp sps 7 RAR in AO PENNY. Tp op in AO TULIP. Elms with MCT.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) returned to NUI DAT. Sect in sp 7 RAR in AO PENNY. One sect remained with MCT. One sect with LCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. One sect at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. 3 contact and 27 Intel and Acquired tgt missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Sqn(-) remained deployed in sp 1 ATF ops. Road const continued Route 2 vic NGAI GIAO and Route 23 between LONG DIEN and DAT DO. Elms continued minefield clearance South of DAT DO.
- (6) 17 Const Sqn. Road const continued vic LONG DIEN. Bridge const continued Route 23. Quarry team remained vic YS4453. Road const continued Route 44. Land clearing continued Route 15.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn(-) remained loc NUI DAT. One coy op in vic BINH BA YS4473. One coy ops LONG SON Island.
- (8) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remained deployed AO PENNY with BHQ at FSPB DISCOVERY. One coy remained loc HORSESHOE HILL.
- (9) 8 RAR. Bn(-) deployed three coys in sp 2/25 (US) Bde on Route 2. One coy remains in area of DAT DO. Elms remain in AO BENDIGO.

b. Plans Summary for Period 060001H to 062400H May 70.

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Elms with MCT. Tp sps 7 RAR in AO PENNY. Tp ops in AO TULIP.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. One sect with MCT. One sect with LCT. Sect in sp 7 RAR in AO PENNY. Tp ops in AO TULIP. One sect at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (3) 1 Fd Sqn. Continues minefield clearance DAT DO. Continues road const Routes 2 and 23. Sp inf bns. Bridge const continues on Route 23.
- (4) 17 Const Sqn. Road and bridge const continues Route 23. Road const team and quarry team with inf and armoured elms remain vic YS4453.
- (5) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn(-) remains in NUI DAT. One coy remains vic BINH BA YS4473. One coy remains LONG SON Island.
- (6) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remains in AO PENNY. BHQ at FSPB DISCOVERY. One coy remains HORSESHOE HILL.
- (7) 8 RAR. Bn(-) remains with three coys in sp 2/25 (US) Bde. One coy in vic DAT DO. Elms remain at AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

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c. Locations

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt, SHQ- NUI DAT, 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2 Tp HORSESHOE, 3 Tp FSPB DISCOVERY, 4 Tp YS519899.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt, SHQ and 1 Tp NUI DAT, 2 Tp FSPB DISCOVERY, 3 Tp NUI DAT.
- (3) 1 ATF Artillery, RHQ and 101 Fd Bty NUI DAT, 106 Fd Bty FSPB DISCOVERY, 161 NZ Fd Bty HORSESHOE, G Bty 2/35 US Arty NUI DAT.
- (4) 6 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). Bn(-) NUI DAT, D Coy YS458724, W Coy YS278567.
- (5) 7 RAR, BHQ FSPB DISCOVERY, A Coy YS540686, B Coy YS572682, C Coy HORSESHOE, D Coy YS594716.
- (6) 8 RAR, BHQ NUI DAT, A Coy YS476598, B Coy YS373822, C Coy YS394792, D Coy YS426896.
- (7) Mine Clearing Team. NDP TIMOTHY.
- (8) Land Clearing Team. NUI DAT.

d. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 050750H at YS392792 9Pl C Coy 8 RAR engaged 5 en in green dress carrying AK47s and at least one RPG who approached from NW in tactical bounds. Pl initiated contact when it thought it was observed. En wdr NW after returning fire with AK47 and RPG. Result: one VC KIA(BC), 1 X AK47 CIA, 3 Aust WIA (Minor frag wounds). Sweep continues.
- (2) At 051340H at YS392792 elms of C Coy 8 RAR engaged one en carrying a wpn and pack who approached from West. En wdr East with no result.
- (3) At 051400H at YS474885 elms of 1 Tp B Sqn 3 Cav Regt loc an old defensive system consisting of a number of wpn pits in a state of disrepair. System last fully occupied 14 days ago and partially occupied three days ago. Loc in area were one NVA helmet, one US water bottle and small qty food.
- (4) At 050900H at ~~YS46675~~ elms of A Sqn 1 Armd Regt loc three small road blocks consisting of wire strung across road and held in place by rocks. 1 Fd Sqn Engr Mini Team pulled all blocks without incident.

e. Results.

- (1) Friendly Losses.
 - (a) Personnel, 3 Aust WIA.
 - (b) Omitted.
- (2) Enemy Losses.
 - (a) Personnel 1 VC KIA(BC).
 - (b) Materiel, 1XAK47 CIA, 1XNVA helmet, 1XUS water bottle, small qty food.

f. Small Unit Actions.

- (1) Company - 2
Platoon - 2
Squad - 3
- (2) 1 SAS Sqn has 7 LRRPs deployed.
- (3) Small Unit Actions with contact: 1
- (4) Results. 1 VC KIA(BC)

2. Combined Operations.

a. Psychological Operations.

- (1) Voice Missions. Conducted and targeted over areas E45-48, N52-55; E46-49, N48-52. Themes were pacification and Chieu Hoi. Broadcast time was 2 hrs.
- (2) Ground Team. Conducted information programmes at DUC THANH.

b. and c. Omitted.

3. Meteorological Detail.

- a. Rainfall. Nil.
- b. Prevailing Winds. 12 knots at 130 degrees.

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NUI DAT

7 MAY 70

SUBJECT: Ground Commanders Situation Report (SITREP)
From 060001H to 062400H

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

1. Operations Summary

a. General

(1) 1 ATF continued operation TOAN THANG IV in the 1 ATF TAOR. HQ 1 ATF remains NUI DAT.

(2) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn (-) remains in NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Tp sps 7 RAR in AO PENNY. Tp op in AO TULIP. Elms with MCT.

(3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn (-) remains in NUI DAT. Sect in sp 7 RAR in AO PENNY. One sect remained with MCT. One sect with LCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. One sect at HORSESHOE HILL.

(4) Task Force Artillery. 1 contact and Intel and Acquired tgt missions were fired during the reporting period.

(5) 1 Fd Sqn. Sqn (-) remained deployed in sp 1 ATF ops. Road const continued Route 2 vic NGAI GIAO. Elms continued minefield clearance South of DAT DO.

(6) 17 Const Sqn. Road const continued vic LONG DIEN. Bridge const continued Route 23. Quarry team remained vic YS4453. Road const continued Route 44.

(7) 6RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn (-) remained loc NUI DAT. One coy op in vic BINH BA YS4473. One coy ops LONG SON Island.

(8) 7 RAR. Bn (-) remained deployed AO PENNY with BHQ at FSPB DISCOVERY. One coy remained loc HORSESHOE HILL.

(9) 8 RAR. Bn (-) deployed three coys in sp 2/25 (US) Bde on Route 2. One coy remains in area of DAT DO. Elms remain in AO BENDIGO.

b. Plans Summary for Period 070001H to 072400H May 70.

(1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Elms with MCT. Tp sps 7 RAR in AO PENNY. Tp ops in AO TULIP.

(2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. One sect with MCT. One sect with LCT. Sect in sp 7 RAR in AO PENNY. Tp ops in AO TULIP. One sect at HORSESHOE HILL.

(3) 1 Fd Sqn. Continues minefield clearance DAT DO. Continues road const Routes 2. Sp inf bns.

(4) 17 Const Sqn. Road and bridge const continues Route 23. Road const team and quarry team with inf elms remain vic YS4453.

(5) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn (-) remains NUI DAT. One coy remains vic BINH BA YS4473. One coy remains LONG SON Island.

(6) 7 RAR. Bn (-) remains with three coys in sp 2/25 (US) Bde. One coy in vic DAT DO. Elms remain at AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

(7) 8 RAR. Bn (-) remains with three coys in sp 2/25 (US) Bde. One coy in vic DAT DO. Elms remain at AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

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c. Locations

(1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. SHQ NUI DAT, 1Tp NDP ELIZABETH, 2Tp NDP TIMOTHY, 3Tp YS646720. 4Tp YS460860.

(2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. SHQ NUI DAT, 1Tp YS496890, 2Tp YS610774, 3Tp NUI DAT.

(3) 1 ATF Artillery. RHQ NUI DAT, 101 Fd Bty NUI DAT, 106 Fd Bty FSPB DISCOVERY, 161 NZ Fd Bty HORSESHOE, C Bty 2/35 US Arty NUI DAT.

(4) 7 RAR. Bn HQ FSPB DISCOVERY, A Coy YS540686, B Coy YS562680, C Coy HORSESHOE, D Coy YS675776.

(5) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). (-) NUI DAT, W Coy YS278567.

(6) 8 RAR. Bn HQ NUI DAT, A Coy YS478598, B Coy YS375822, C Coy YS394792, D Coy YS426896.

(7) Land Clearing Team. NUI DAT.

(8) Mine Clearing Team. NDP TIMOTHY.

d. Contacts and Incidents.

(1) At 052353H at YS586709 12 Pl D Coy 7 RAR engaged 2-3 VC who approached from West, moved around position and engaged area with AK47 fire. No results. En wdr North. Arty fired in support.

(2) At 060952H At YS51105510 elements of 1 Fd Sqn Mine Clearing Team detonated 1 M16 mine which caused damage to the frontal armour and radiator of a D8 bulldozer which was recovered for repairs.

(3) At 061600H at YS573693, Aslt Pnrs of 7 RAR found a body of VC KIA on 23 Apr by 3Pl A Coy 7 RAR. One K54 magazine plus 8 rounds CIA.

(4) At 061600H at YS644713 3 Tp A Sqn 1 Armd Regt located a 2 bunkers in an area 25X10. Both were 3'6" deep with 2' OHP and were constructed 3 months ago and used 2-3 weeks ago. Both destroyed by tanks.

e. Results

(1) Friendly Losses.

(a) Personnel. Nil.

(b) Materiel. One D8 bulldozer damaged.

(2) Enemy Losses.

(a) Personnel One VC KIA(BC) (previous contact).

(b) Material One K54 magazine plus 8 rounds.

f. Small Unit Actions

(1) Company - 1

Platoon - 2

Squad - 3

(2) 1 SAS Sqn has 7 LRRPS deployed.

(3) Small Unit Actions with contact: Nil.

(4) Omitted.

2. Combined Operationsa. Psychological Operations

1. Ground Team Op with sector elms in Viet Cuong Area.

b. Omitted.

c. Engineering Operations 1. Land Clearing Team. Ni, 2. Mine Clearing Team. 2 slots completed.

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3. Meteorological Detail

- a. Rainfall. Nil.
- b. Prevailing Winds. 16 knots 120 degrees.

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NUI DAT

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

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

1. Operations Summary

a. General

(1) 1 ATF continued operation TOAN THANG IV in the 1 ATF TAOR. HQ 1 ATF remains NUI DAT.

(2) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn (-) remains in NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Tp sps 7 RAR in AO PENNY. Tp op in AO TULIP. Elms with MCT.

(3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn (-) remains in NUI DAT. Sect in sp 7 RAR in AO PENNY. One sect remained with MCT. One sect with LCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. One sect at HORSESHOE HILL.

(4) Task Force Artillery. Nil contact and 18 Intel and Acquired tgt missions were fired during the reporting period.

(5) 1 Fd Sqn. Sqn (-) remained deployed in sp 1 ATF ops. Road const continued Route 2 vic NGAI GIAO. Elms continued minefield clearance south of DAT DO.

(6) 17 Const Sqn. Road const continued vic LONG DIEN. Bridge const continued Route 23. Quarry team remained vic YS4453. Road const continued Route 44.

(7) 6 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). Bn (-) remained loc NUI DAT. One coy cp LONG SON Island.

(8) 7 RAR. Bn (-) remained deployed AO PENNY with BHQ at FSPB DISCOVERY. One coy remained loc HORSESHOE HILL.

(9) 8 RAR. Bn (-) deployed three coys in AO QUARTERMILE centre of mass YS4275. BHQ at FSPB LE LOI. One coy remains in area of DAT DO. Elms remain in AO BENDIGO.

b. Plans Summary for Period 080001H to 082400H May 70.

(1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Elms with MCT. Tp sp 7 RAR in AO PENNY. Tp op in AO TULIP.

(2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. One sect with MCT. One sect with LCT. Sect in sp 7 RAR in AO PENNY. Tp op in AO TULIP. One sect at HORSESHOE HILL.

(3) 1 Fd Sqn. Continues minefield clearance DAT DO. Continues road const Route 2. Sp inf bns.

(4) 17 Const Sqn. Road and bridge const continues Route 23. Road const team and quarry team with inf elms remain vic YS4453.

(5) 6 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). Bn (-) remains NUI DAT. One coy remains LONG SON Island.

(6) 7 RAR Bn (-) remains with three coys in sp 2/25 (US) Bde. One coy in vic DAT DO. Elms remain at AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

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(7) 8 RAR. Bn (-) remains with three coys in AO QUARTERMILE. One coy in vic DAT DO. Elms remain at AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

c. Locations

(1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. HQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2 Tp YS498541, 3 Tp DISCOVERY, 4 Tp YS457878.

(2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. HQ NUI DAT. 1 Tp YS496890, 2 Tp YS676751, 3 Tp NUI DAT.

(3) 1 ATF Artillery; HQ 4 FD Regt NUI DAT. 106 Fd Bty - Sect DISCOVERY, sect HORSESHOE. 107 Fd Bty NUI DAT. 161 (NZ) Bty LE LOI. C/2/35 US Arty NUI DAT.

(4) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). HQ NUI DAT. A Coy, B Coy, C Coy, D Coy, NUI DAT. W Coy YS278567.

(5) 7 RAR. HQ FSPB DISCOVERY. A Coy YS534678, B Coy YS562680. C Coy HORSESHOE. D Coy YS683773.

(6) 8 RAR. HQ LE LOI. A Coy DAT DO. B Coy YS373809. C Coy YS393798. D Coy YS426895.

(7) Mine Clearing Team. NDP TIMOTHY.

(8) D & E Pl. YS474886.

d. Contacts and Incidents.

(1) At 070145H at YS646720, 3 Tp 1 Armd Regt contacted 1 - 2 en and again at 070320H at the same loc they contacted a further 1 - 2 en. A sweep of the contact area this morning revealed 2 drag marks heading north.

(2) At 070520H at YS508519 8 Pl C Coy 7 RAR contacted 1 VC with nil results. En wdr South into the sea.

(3) At 072015H at YS482915 elements of B Sqn 3 Cav sighted 12 plus enemy moving south to north. 12 lights were seen. Area was engaged with 81 mm mortar with unknown results.

(4) At 072025H at YS573569 a patrol from 7 Pl C Coy 7 RAR engaged 3 VC on bicycles riding NE along beach. 1 en returned fire. Results 1 VC KIA (BC) 2 bicycles CIA. Remaining VC rode SW on bicycle.

e. Results

(1) Friendly Losses.

(a) Personnel. Nil.

(b) Material. Nil

(2) Enemy Losses.

(a) Personnel. 1 VC KIA (BC)

(b) Material. 2 bicycles.

f. Small Unit Actions.

(1) Company - 2

Platoon - 2

Squad - 3

(2) 3 SAS Sqn has 6 LRRPs deployed.

(3) Small unit actions with contacts: Nil

(4) Results. Nil.

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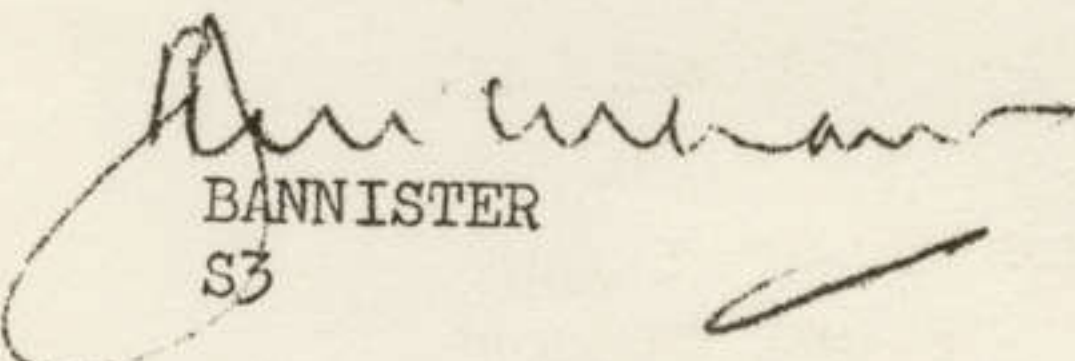
2. Combined Operations
 - a. Psychological Operations
 - (1) Ground Team. Loc and Op in LONG DIEN District.
 - b. RF Operations. Nil
 - c. Engineering Operations. Mine clearing team: 1 slot completed.
3. Meteorological Detail
 - a. Rainfall. Nil.
 - b. Prevailing Winds. E at 5 - 7 knots.

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HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM
NUI DAT

9 MAY 70

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

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

1. Operations Summary

a. General

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- (2) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains in NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Tp op in AO TULIP. Elms with MCT.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains in NUI DAT. One sect remained with MCT. One sect with LCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. One tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. 4 contact and 17 Intel and Acquired tgt missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Sqn(-) remained deployed in sp 1 ATF ops. Road const continued Route 2 vic NGAI GIAO. Elms continued minefield clearance South of DAT DO.
- (6) 17 Const Sqn. Road const continued vic LONG DIEN. Bridge const continued Route 23. Quarry team remained vic YS4453. Road const continued Route 44.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn(-) remained loc NUI DAT. One coy op LONG SON Island.
- (8) 7 RAR. Bn (-) remained deployed with BHQ at HORSESHOE HILL. One coy loc NDP BRIDGET vic YS5154.
- (9) 8 RAR. Bn(-) deployed three coys in AO QUARTERMILE centre of mass YS4275. BHQ at FSPB LE LOI. One Coy remains in area of DAT DO. Elms remain in AO BENDIGO.

(10) Air Support

<u>TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>BDA/REPORT</u>
081200	YS712816	5 Bnkrs Dest
081450	YS712816	3 Bnkrs Dest 1 Bnkr Exp 1 Table Dest

b. Plans Summary for Period 090001H to 092400H May 70

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Elms with MCT. Tp op in AO TULIP.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. One sect with MCT. One sect with LCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. One Tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (3) 1 Fd Sqn. Continues minefield clearance DAT DO. Continues road const Route 2. Sp inf bns.
- (4) 17 Const Sqn. Road and bridge const continues Route 23. Road const team and quarry team with inf elms remain vic YS4453.
- (5) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn (-) remains NUI DAT. One coy remains LONG SON Island.
- (6) 7 RAR. Bn (-) remains at HORSESHOE HILL. One coy loc at NDP BRIDGET.
- (7) 8 RAR. Bn (-) remains with three coys in AO QUARTERMILE. One coy in vic DAT DO. Elms remain at AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

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c. Locations

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. HQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2 Tp BRIGID, 3 Tp DISCOVERY, 4 Tp YS470886.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. HQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp YS496890, 2 Tp H'SHOE, 3 Tp NUI DAT.
- (3) 1 ATF Artillery. HQ 4 Fd Regt RAA, 107 Fd Bty, C/2/35 US Arty NUI DAT, 106 Fd Bty H'SHOE, 161 (NZ) Fd Bty LE LOI.
- (4) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). BHQ, A Coy, B Coy, V Coy, D Coy NUI DAT, W Coy - YS278567.
- (5) 7 RAR. BHQ, D Coy H'SHOE, A Coy YS512667, B Coy YS562680, C Coy BRIGID,
- (6) 8 RAR. BHQ LE LOI, A Coy LONG DIEN, B Coy YS378801, C Coy YS420766, D Coy YS402872.
- (7) Mine Clearing Team. TIMOTHY.
- (8) Land Clearing Team. ISA.
- (9) D and E Pl. YS496890.

d. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 080830H at YS243803 an APC from B Sqn 3 Cav Regt hit a mine (poss a 155mm shell). 6 Aust WIA, 1 x APC damaged (track blown off, hull penetrated, 2 suspension wheels blown off).
- (2) At 081510H at YS463820 and YS463819 elms of 1 Fd Sqn loc 2 x 20 lb chicom anti-tank mines, both old. One loc by mini team, the other was cut in half by bulldozer blade.
- (3) At 081500H at YS398868 11^{P1} D Coy 8 RAR detected (visually) a 10-12 lb TNT Chicom anti-tank mine wrapped in propaganda leaflets. The mine had a bamboo pressure switch.
- (4) At 082008H at YS439582 1^{P1} A Coy 8 RAR engaged est 5+ en who approached night def posn from North. 1 Pl initiated contact with claymores and en wdr and circled to West where they returned fire with RPGs and SA. En again engaged with claymores and wdr in unk direction. Res. Nil friendly cas, en cas unk. Sweep to be conducted at first light.

e. Results.

- (1) Friendly Losses.
 - (a) Personnel. 6 Aust WIA.
 - (b) Materiel. 1 x M113 damaged.
- (2) Enemy Losses.
 - (a) Personnel. Nil.
 - (b) Materiel. Nil.

f. Small Unit Actions

- (1) Company - 3
Platoon - 2
Squad - 8
- (2) 1 SAS Sqn has 8 LRRPS deployed.
- (3) Small Unit Actions with contact. Nil.
- (4) Results. Nil.

2. Combined Operations.

a. Psychological Operations.

- (1) Ground Teams continued ops with Sector elms in VIET CUONG area.

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- b. Omitted.
 - c. Engineering Operations.
 - (1) Mine Clearing Team. Nil report.
 - (2) Land Clearing Report. 75,000 sq yds cleared. No mines detonated, 4 machines in operation.
3. Meteorological Detail.
- a. Rainfall. Nil.
 - b. Prevailing Winds. E at 5 kts,

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HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM
NUI DAT

10 May 70

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Situation Report (SITREP)
From 090001H to 092400H May 70.

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

1. Operations Summary

a. General

- (1) 1 ATF continued operation TOAN THANG IV in the 1ATF TAOR. HQ 1 ATF remains NUI DAT.
- (2) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains in NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Tp op in AO TULIP. Elms with MCT. One tp with road construction on Route 2.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains in NUI DAT. One sect remained with MCT. One sect with LCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. One tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. contact and Intel and Acquired tgt missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Sqn(-) remained deployed in sp 1 ATF ops. Road const continued Route 2 vic NGAI GIAO. Elms continued minefield clearance South of DAT DO.
- (6) 17 Const Sqn. Road const continued vic LONG DIEN. Bridge const continued Route 23. Quarry team remained vic YS4453. Road const continued Route 44.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). Bn(-) remained loc NUI DAT. One coy op LONG SON Island.
- (8) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remained deployed with BHQ at HORSESHOE HILL. One coy loc NDP BRIGIT vic YS5154.
- (9) 8 RAR. Bn(-) deployed three coys in AO QUARTERMILE centre of mass YS4275. BHQ at FSPB LE LOI. One coy remains in area of DAT DO. Elms remain in AO BENDIGO.

b. Plans Summary for Period 100001H to 102400H May 70.

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Elms with MCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. Tp with road const on Route 2.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. One sect with MCT. One sect with LCT. Tp op in AO Tulip. One Tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (3) 1 Fd Sqn. Continues minefield clearance DAT DO. Continues road const Route 2. Sp inf bns.
- (4) 17 Const Sqn. Road and Bridge const continues Route 23. Road const team and quarry team with inf elms remain vic YS4453.
- (5) 6 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). Bn(-) remains NUI DAT. One coy remains LONG SON Island.
- (6) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remains at HORSESHOE HILL. One coy loc at NDP BRIGID.
- (7) 8 RAR. Bn(-) remains with three coys in AO QUARTERMILE. One coy in vic DAT DO. Elms remain at AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

c. Locations.

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. HQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2 Tp BRIGID, 3 Tp H/SHOE, 4 Tp 470886.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. HQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp 496890, 2 Tp H/SHOE, 3 Tp NUI DAT.

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- (3) 1 ATF Artillery. HQ 4 Fd Regt RAA NUI DAT, 106 Fd Bty H/SHOE, 107 Fd Bty NUI DAT, 161 (NZ) Fd Bty LE LOI, C/2/35 US Arty NUI DAT.
- (4) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). HQ NUI DAT, A, B, V, D, W Coys NUI DAT.
- (5) 7 RAR. HQ H/SHOE, A Coy 476580, B Coy 562680, C Coy BRIGID, D Coy 514577.
- (6) 8 RAR. HQ LE LOI, A Coy 432596, B Coy NUI DAT, C Coy 420766, D Coy 418844.
- (7) Mine Clearing Team. BRIGID.
- (8) Land Clearing Team. ISA.
- (9) D & E Pl. 449896.

d. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) A sweep conducted by 1/A/8 RAR in the area of their contact (082008H YS439582) revealed 2 heavy drag marks, a pool of blood, 2 x RPG shell cases, 4 x AR magazines, 1 x diary, 1 x M26 gren, 2 hats. Results 2 VC WIA (Drag marks). A study of en sign showed the en had in fact approached the patrol from the South and were crossing East to West to the North of the patrol when contact was initiated.
- (2) At 091015H at YS266551, 3/W/6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) located an en camp which had been occupied 30-60 mins prior to discovery. The camp contained a mud hut large enough for 4 pers with tracks leading East to West and North. 10 lb rice, 2½ lb salt, 4 lb tobacco, ½ lb sugar, qty pots, 4 x 1 gal plastic water containers, 1 x jerry can, qty clothing and bedding for two pers.
- (3) At 092038H at YS402589 2/A/8 RAR engaged with M72s and M79s 6 en who approached from West in deep grille, providing protection from direct SA fire. En returned fire with RPGs and wdr in unk direction. Results unk. Sweep to be conducted at first light.
- (4) At 092042H at YS401631 elms of 3/A/8 RAR engaged 6 en who approached from West. En returned fire with RPGs and wdr East. Results 2 en KIA (BC), 1 x AK47 and small bundle CIA. Sweep to be conducted at first light.

e. Results

- (1) Omitted.
- (2) Enemy Losses
 - (a) Personnel. 2 VC KIA (BC), 2 WIA (Blood and drag marks).
 - (b) Material. 1 AK47 CIA, 1xM26 gren, 4xAR mags, 1 diary, 2 hats, qty of food, qty clothing and bedding, 1 mud hut.

f. Small Unit Actions.

- (1) Company - 3
Platoon - 2
Squad - 3
- (2) 1 SAS Sqn has 6 LRRPS deployed.
- (3) (4) Omitted.

2. Combined Operations.

a. Psychological Operations.

- (1) Ground Teams. AB Team visited PHU MY and MY XUAN villages.

b. Omitted.

c. Engineering Operations.

- (1) Mine Clearing Team. 2 slots ½ completed. No mines detected.

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(2) Land Clearing Team. 140,000 sq yds cleared. No mines detonated.
4 machines serviceable.

3. Meteorological Detail.
- a. Rainfall. Nil.
 - b. Prevailing Winds. E at 5 knots.

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HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM

NUI DAT

11 May 70

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

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

1. Operations Summary

a. General

- (1) 1 ATF continued operation TOAN THANG IV in the 1ATF TAOR. HQ 1 ATF remains NUI DAT.
- (2) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains in NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Tp op in AO TULIP. Elms with MCT. One tp, with road construction Route 2.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains in NUI DAT. One sect remained with MCT. One sect with LCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. One tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. 4 contact and 7 Intel and Acquired tgt missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Sqn(-) remained deployed in sp 1 ATF ops. Road const continued Route 2 Vic NGAI GIAO. Elms continued minefield clearance South of DAT DO.
- (6) 17 Const Sqn. Road const continued vic LONG DIEN. Bridge const continued Route 23. Quarry team remained vic YS4453. Road const continued Route 44.
- (7) 6 RAR/1Z (ANZAC). Bn(-) remained loc NUI DAT. One coy op LONG SON island.
- (8) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remained deployed with BHQ at HORSESHOE HILL. One coy loc NDP BRIDGET vic YS5154.
- (9) 8 RAR. Bn(-) deployed three coys in AO QUARTERMILE centre of mass YS4275. BHQ at FSPB LE LOI. One coy remains in area of DAT DO. Elms remain in AO BENDIGO.

(10) Air Support.

<u>TIME</u>	<u>GRID</u>	<u>BDA/REPORT</u>
0918/0930H	YS473508	1 cave ent dest, 3 cave ent exposed.
0934/0954H	YS473508	2 cave ent dest.
1002/1010H	YS473508	No BDA. No Possum.
1115/1145H	YS487530	5 bkrs exp, JO4 recommends further air.
1400/1415H	YS712821	BDA by Possum required.

b. Plans Summary for Period 110001H to 112400H May 70.

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Elms with MCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. Tp with road const on Route 2.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. One sect with MCT. One sect with LCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. One tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (3) 1 Fd Sqn. Continues minefield clearance DAT DO. Continues road construction Route 2. Sp inf bns.

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(4) 17 Const Sqn. Road and bridge const continues Route 23. Road const team and quarry team with inf elms remain vic YS4453.

(5) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn(-) remains NUI DAT. One coy remains LONG SON Island.

(6) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remains at HORSESHOE HILL. One coy loc at NDP BRIDGET.

(7) 8 RAR. Bn(-) remains with three coys in AO QUARTERMILE. One coy in vic DAT DO. Elms remain at AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

c. Locations.

(1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2 Tp BRIDGET, 3 Tp HORSESHOE, 4 Tp YS464883.

(2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp YS481913, 2 Tp H'SHOE, 3 Tp NUI DAT.

(3) 1 ATF Artillery. RHQ NUI DAT, 161 (NZ) Fd Bty LE LOI, 101 Fd Bty H'SHOE, 107 Fd Bty NUI DAT, C/2/35 US Arty NUI DAT.

(4) 7 RAR. Bn HQ H'SHOE, A Coy YS476580, B Coy YS558684, C Coy BRIDGET, D Coy YS514577.

(5) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn(-) NUI DAT, W Coy YS278567.

(6) 8 RAR. Bn HQ LE LOI, A Coy LONG DIEN, B Coy NUI DAT, C Coy YS424734, D Coy YS438845.

(7) Land Clearing Team. ISA.

(8) Mine Clearing Team. TIMOTHY.

d. Contacts and Incidents.

(1) A sweep conducted by 3/A/8 RAR at first light in the area of their contact (092042H at YS401631) revealed one VC body. Total KIA (BC) from that contact now three.

(2) At 100835H at YS447579 a D8 bulldozer from 17 Const Sqn LCT detonated an M16 mine without damage or cas.

(3) At 100930H at YS513552 a D8 bulldozer from 1 Fd Sqn MCT detonated a mine causing 1 Aust WIA (slight wounds only). Suspected that mine consisted of 10-15lb explosive with M16 cannisters on top to give shrapnel effect.

(4) At 101240H at YS278567 W/6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) were fired on with AK47's and RPG by 3-4 en. W Coy returned with SA fire, 81mm mor and a LFT. A sweep of the contact area revealed nothing. 1xNZ WIA.

(5) At approx 101545H at YS438845 12/D/8 RAR located an old cache containing 4x1 gal drums of oil and some plastic sheeting.

(6) At 101805H at YS290566 1/W/6 RAR engaged at 30M 1 VC who approached from North. Enemy had moved out of claymore killing area, before it was detonated and fled north. Wdr routes engaged by 81mm mor. Results unk.

(7) At 102000H at YS494527 Anti Tk/Sp Coy/7 RAR engaged 3-4 VC moving from east to west. Enemy immediately fled in unk direction. Preliminary sweep recovered body of 1 VC KIA (female) and estimated 6 month old child who was uninjured. Child and body evacuated by Dustoff. Qty of letters recovered from body.

e. Results.

(1) Friendly Losses.

(a) Personnel. 1 NZ WIA.

(b) Material. Nil.

(2) Enemy Losses.

(a) Personnel. 2 VC KIA.

(b) Material. 4x1 gal drums of oil, qty plastic sheeting.

f. Small Unit Actions.

(1) Company - 3

Platoon - 2

Squad - 3

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- (2) 1 SAS Sqn has 4 LRRPS deployed.
- (3) Small Unit Actions with contacts - nil.
- (4) Results: Nil.

2. Combined Operations.

a. Psychological Operations. Nil.

b. RF Operations. Nil.

c. Engineering Operations.

(1) Land Clearing Team. 80,000 sq yds cleared, 1 mine detonated, 3 machines serviceable.

(2) Mine Clearing Team. No work done.

3. Meteorological Detail.

a. Rainfall. Nil.

b. Prevailing Winds. E at 05 knots.

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NUI DAT

12 May 70

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Situation Report (SITREP)
From 110001H to 112400H

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

1. Operations Summary

a. General

- (1) 1 ATF continued operation TOAN THANG IV in the 1 ATF TAOR. HQ 1 ATF remains NUI DAT.
- (2) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains in NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Tp op in AO TULIP. Elms with MCT. One tp with road construction Route 2.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains in NUI DAT. One sect remained with MCT. One sect with LCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. One tp at HORSESHOE.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. 1 contact and 13 Intel and Acquired tgt missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Sqn(-) remained deployed in sp 1 ATF ops. Road construction continued Route 2 vic NGAI GIAO. Elms continued minefield clearance South of DAT DO.
- (6) 17 Const Sqn. Bridge const continued Route 23. Quarry team remained vic YS453. Road const continues Route 44. Land clearing continued vicinity AP THAM PHUOC.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ(A) Coy. Bn(-) remained loc NUI DAT. One coy op LONG SON Island.
- (8) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remained deployed with BHQ at HORSESHOE HILL. One coy loc NDP BRIDGET vic YS454.
- (9) 8 RAR. Bn(-) deployed three coys in AO QUARTERMILE centre of mass YS4275. BHQ at FSPB LE LOJ. One coy remains in area of DAT DO. Elms remain in AO BENDIGO.

b. Plans Summary for Period 12001H to 122400H May 70.

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Elms with MCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. Tp with road const on Route 2.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. One sect with MCT. One sect with LCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. One tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (3) 1 Fd Sqn. Continues minefield clearance DAT DO. Continues road construction Route 2. Sp ini bns.

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(4) 17 Const Sqn. Road const team and quarry team with inf. elms remain vic YS4453. Land clearing continues vicinity AP THAM, PHUOC.

(5) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn (-) remains NUI DAT. One coy remains LONG SON Island.

(6) 7 RAR. Bn (-) remains at HORSESHOE HILL. One coy loc at NDP BRIDGET.

(7) 8 RAR. Bn (-) remains with three coys in AO QUARTERMILE. One coy in vic DAT DO. Elms remain at AO BENDIGO. to sp quarry ops.

c. Locations.

(1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. HQ NUI DAT. 1 Tp ELIZABETH. 2 Tp BRIDGET. 3 Tp HORSESHOE. 4 Tp 464879.

(2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. HQ NUI DAT. 1 Tp YS424883. 2 Tp YS493561. 3 Tp NUI DAT.

(3) 1 ATF Artillery. HQ 4 Fd Regt RAA NUI DAT. 106 Fd Bty HORSESHOE. 107 Fd Bty NUI DAT. 161 (NZ) Fd Bty IE LOI. C/2/35 US Arty NUI DAT.

(4) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). HQ NUI DAT. A Coy NUI DAT. B Coy NUI DAT. V Coy NUI DAT. D Coy NUI DAT. W Coy YS278567.

(5) 7 RAR. HQ HORSESHOE. A Coy 516570. B Coy YS558684. C Coy BRIDGET. D Coy 476580.

(6) 8 RAR. HQ ESPB LE LOI. A Coy 433596. B Coy NUI DAT. C Coy 424734. D Coy 432837.

(7) Mine Clearing Team. BRIDGET.

(8) Land Clearing Team. ISA.

(9) D & E Pl. 426890.

d. Contacts and Incidents.

(1) At 110800H at YS453722 a base ptl from 7 RAR located a small camp consisting of 2 pits and 2 bed spaces that had been occupied the previous night.

(2) At 111245H at YS449897 elms of 1 Tp B Sqn 3 Cav hit a 30 lb pressure mine. 5 Aust WIA, APC damaged.

(3) At 111040H at YS438848 elements of D Coy 8 RAR located a rest area for 2 to 3 enemy. Occupants are believed to have fled SW when water party moved to stream adjacent to the area.

(4) At 111930H at YS446861 elements of 12Pl D Coy 8 RAR detonated suspected M79 or M26 or booby trap. Result 4 Aust WIA. To be investigated at first light.

(5) At 112030H at YS492562 2 2 Troop of B Sqn 3 Cav Regt engaged with 30 & 50 cal 13 enemy who appeared to be carrying packs moving towards North West. Enemy at 400m range did not return fire and arty used on cut off route. Sweep to be conducted at first light.

e. Results

(1) Friendly Losses

(a) Personnel. 9 Aust WIA.

(b) Materiel. 1 x M113 APC damaged.

(2) Enemy Losses

(a) Personnel Nil

(b) Materiel Nil.

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f. Small Unit Actions.

- (1) Company - 3
Platoon - 2
Squad - 3
- (2) 3 SAS Sqn has 6 LRRPS deployed.
- (3) Small unit actions with contact: Nil.

2. Combined Operations

a. Psychological Operations. Omitted.

b. RF Operations. Nil.

c. Engineering Operations.

- (1) Land Clearing Team. 40,000 sq yards cleared. Nil mines detonated.
- (2) Mine Clearing Team. 3 slots opened. 1 slot 1/2 complete. 1 mine detonated.

3. Meteorological Detail

a. Rainfall. Nil.

b. Prevailing Winds. E at 6 knots.

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HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM
NUI DAT

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

13 May 70

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

1. Operations Summary

a. General

- (1) 1 ATF continued operation TOAN THANG IV in the 1 ATF TAOR. HQ 1 ATF remains NUI DAT.
- (2) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains in NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Tp op in AO TULIP. Elms with MCT. One tp with road construction Route 2. One tp at NDP BRIDGET.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains in NUI DAT. One sect remains with MCT. One sect with LCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. One tp at HORSESHOE.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. 2 contact and 8 Intel and Acquired tgt missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Sqn(-) remained deployed in sp 1 ATF ops. Road construction continued Route 2 vic NGAI GIAO. Elms continued minefield clearance South of DAT DO.
- (6) 17 Const Sqn. Bridge const continued Route 23. Quarry team remained vic YS4453. Road const continues Route 44. Land clearing continued vicinity AP THAM PHUOC.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn(-) remained loc NUI DAT. One coy op LONG SON Island.
- (8) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remained deployed with BHQ at HORSESHOE HILL. One coy loc NDP BRIDGET vic YS5154.
- (9) 8 RAR. Bn(-) deployed 3 coys in AO QUARTERMILE centre of mass YS4275. BHQ at FSPB LE LOI. One coy remains in area of ...
- (10) Air Support.

<u>TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>BDA/REPORT</u>
121000	YS383828	15 Mtrs Coms Trench Exp. 1 Bkr Damg and Exp.
121140	YS706835	1 Hut Dest. 1 Bkr Dest.
121400	YS712818	Neg BDA due to smoke.

b. Plans Summary for Period 130001H to 132400H May 70.

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Elms with MCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. Tp with road const on Route 2. One tp at NDP BRIDGET.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. One sect with MCT. One sect with LCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. One tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (3) 1 Fd Sqn. Continues minefield clearance DAT DO. Continue road construction Route 2. Sp inf bns.
- (4) 17 Const Sqn. Road const team and quarry team with inf elms remain vic YS4453. Land clearing continues vicinity AP THAM PHUOC.
- (5) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn(-) remains NUI DAT. One coy remains LONG SON Island.
- (6) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remains at HORSESHOE HILL. One coy loc at NDP BRIDGET.
- (7) 8 RAR. Bn(-) remains with three coys in AO QUARTERMILE. One coy in vic DAT DO. Elms remain at AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

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c. Locations

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt HQ NUI DAT, 1Tp ELIZABETH, 2Tp BRIDGET, 3Tp H/SHOE, 4Tp YS464870.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. HQ NUI DAT, 1Tp YS424883, 2Tp 472585, 3Tp NUI DAT.
- (3) 1 ATF Artillery. HQ 4 Fd Regt NUI DAT, 106 Fd Bty H/SHOE, 101 Fd Bty NUI DAT, 161 (NZ) Fd Bty LE LOI, C/2/25 US Arty NUI DAT.
- (4) 6 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). HQ NUI DAT, A,B,V,I. Coys NUI DAT, W Coy YS278567.
- (5) 7 RAR. HQ HORSESHOE, A Coy YS508566, B Coy YS558684, C Coy BRIDGET, D Coy YS480584..
- (6) 8 RAR. HQ LE LOI, A Coy LONG DIEN, B Coy NUI DAT, C Coy YS428735, D Coy NUI DAT.
- (7) Mine Clearing Team. BRIDGET.
- (8) Land Clearing Team. ISA.
- (9) D & E Pl YS426890.

d. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 121120H at YS559684 elms of 5Pl B Coy 7 RAR contacted an estimated 10 VC moving south to north off the tracks. Following contact en broke into two groups, one going north and the other south west. Results. 2VC KIA(BC), 3VC WIA (Blood Trails), 1X AK47 and qty docus CIA.
- (2) At 121430H at YS476567 elms of Aslt Pnr Pl 7 RAR detonated a mine believed to be a M16 that failed to jump. Results 3 Aust WIA. 4 mine warning signs found in area.
- (3) At YS475565 and YS481553 Aslt Pnr Pl 7 RAR and 3Tp A Sqn 1 Armd Regt located 2 seperate bunker systems consisting of 30plus bunkers, spider holes, and trenches. Both systems were well camouflaged and had 2-3' OHP. Some bunkers were up to six months old and some new. All camouflaged recently applied. M16 mine detonated in area. See item (2)
- (4) At YS542567 7Pl C Coy 7 RAR and 2Tp A Sqn 1 Armd Regt located a bunker system consisting of 11 bunkers estimated to have last been occupied 4 weeks ago.
- (5) At 122031H At YS426734 elements of C Coy 8 RAR engaged with SA enemy who approached from South. Results unk, sweep to be carried out at first light.
- (6) At 122045H at YS464870 4Tp A Sqn 1 Armd Regt sighted a number of lights 600M to east. Area engaged with unk results. Sweep to be conducted at first light.

e. Results

- (1) Friendly Losses
 - (a) Personnel. 3 WIA.
 - b. Omitted.
- (2) Enemy Losses
 - (a) Personnel. 2 KIA, 3 WIA (BT).
 - (b) Materiel. 1 AK47, qty docus.

f. Small Unit Actions

- (1) Company - 3
Platoon - 2
Squad - Nil
- (2) 3 SAS Sqn has 5 LRRPS deployed.
- (3) Omitted.

(4) Omitted.

2. Combined Operations

a. Omitted.

b. Omitted.

c. Engineering Operations. (1) Land Clearing Team. 150,000 Sq Yds cleared. No mines detonated. (2) Mine Clearing Team: 1 slot completed, 1 fence completed. No mines detonated.

3. Meteorological Detail.

a. Omitted.

b. Prevailing Winds. SE at 10 knots.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM

NUI DAT

14 May 70

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

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

1. Operations Summary

a. General

- (1) 1 ATF continued operation TOAN THANG IV in the 1 ATF TAOR. HQ 1 ATF remains NUI DAT.
- (2) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains in NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Tp op in AO TULIP. Elms with MCT. One tp with road construction Route 2. One tp at NDP BRIGET.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. One sect remains with MCT. One sect with LCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. One tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. Contact and Intel and Acquired tgt missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Sqn(-) remains deployed in sp 1 ATF ops. Road construction continued Route 2 vic NGAI GIAO. Elms continued minefield clearance South of DAT DO.
- (6) 17 Const Sqn. Bridge const continued Route 23. Quarry team remained vic YS4453. Road const continues Route 44. Land clearing continued vic AP THAM PHUOC.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). Bn(-) remained loc NUI DAT. One coy op LONG SON island.
- (8) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remained deployed with BHQ at HORSESHOE HILL. One coy loc NDP BRIGET vic YS5154.
- (9) 8 RAR. Bn(-) deployed two coys in AO QUARTERMILLE centre of mass YS4275. BHQ at FSPB LE LOI. Elements remains in AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops. Two coys remain in vic Long Dien/Hoa Long.
- (10) Air Support.

<u>TIME</u>	<u>GRID REF</u>	<u>BDA/REPORT</u>
131200	YS567823	1 bnk destroyed, 1 bnk damaged.
131430	YS607883	3 bnks destroyed.

b. Plans Summary for Period 140001H to 142400H May 70.

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Elms with MCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. Tp with road const on Route 2. One tp at NDP BRIGET.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. One sect with MCT. One sect with LCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. One tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (3) 1 Fd Sqn. Continues minefield clearance DAT DO. Continue road const Route 2. Sp inf bns.
- (4) 17 Const Sqn. Road const team and quarry team with inf elms remain vic YS4453, Land clearing continues vic AP THAM PHUOC.
- (5) 6 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) Bn(-) remains NUI DAT. One coy remains LONG SON Island
- (6) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remains HORSESHOE HILL. One coy loc at NDP BRIGET.
- (7) 8 RAR. Bn(-) remains with one coy in AO QUARTERMILE. Two coys in vic HOA LONG/LONG DIEN. Elms remain at AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

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c. Locations.

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. HQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2 Tp BRIDGET, 3 Tp H'SHOE, 4 Tp YS465872.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. HQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp YS424883, 2 Tp YS475573, 3 Tp NUI DAT.
- (3) 1 ATF Artillery. HQ 4 Fd Regt NUI DAT, 106 Fd Bty H'SHOE, 107 Fd Bty NUI DAT, 161(NZ) Fd Bty LE LOI, C/2/35 US Arty NUI DAT.
- (4) 6 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). BHQ NUI DAT, A, B, V, & D Coys NUI DAT, W Coy YS278567.
- (5) 7 RAR. BHQ H'SHOE, A Coy YS491590, B Coy YS562678, C Coy NDP BRIDGET, D Coy YS478584.
- (6) 8 RAR. BHQ LE LOI, A Coy (-) NUI DAT-elms HOA LONG, B Coy (-) YS432576, C Coy YS428738, D Coy(-) NUI DAT-elms HOA LONG.
- (7) Mine Clearing Team. NDP BRIDGET.
- (8) Land Clearing Team. ISA.
- (9) D&E Pl. YS424883.

d. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) The sweep conducted by elms C Coy 8 RAR revealed nothing(Contact 122031H at YS426734).
- (2) The sweep conducted by T4 A Sqn 1 Armd Regt revealed nothing(lights 122045H at YS464870).
- (3) At 13055H at YS 448583 a D8 bulldozer from the Land Clearing Team detonated an M16 mine with no damage or casualties. Another M16 was found by a civ about 15' away and destroyed.
- (4) A cordon and search conducted by A and D Coys 8 RAR of AP TAY hamlet vic YS415633 resulted in 8 persons being detained(2 later released). All were handed over to National authorities.
- (5) At YS258680 elms of 1 Fd Sqn at request of Sector HQ investigated area of suspected minefield. 6 X M16 mines(including 1 with anti lift device) destroyed in situ and 3 X M16 neutralised and recovered.
- (6) At 131415H at YS283580 elms of W Coy 6 RAR located a camp site for 3-4 en, last occupied 10-15 mins previously. Area consisted of a mud hut with raised floor and table, cooking and sleeping area. Area had been concealed from air by tying branches together over head. Items captured or destroyed: 2 X 15' boats, 2 fishing nets, unk type bolt action rifle, qty food, clothes, cooking utensils, tobacco, 2 electric bamboo booby devices, 1 coil electric wire.
- (7) At 131935H at YS429875 elms of 1 Tp B Sqn 3 Cav Regt located body of 1 VC in shallow grave. Body estimated to have been dead 2 weeks had burns to face and upper body and dressed in black pyjamas and Ho Chi Minh sandals.
- (8) At 132030H at YS472525 2 Tp A Sqn 1 Armd Regt sighted light source. Area engaged with tank fire and light extinguished.
- (9) At 132100H at YS494569 elms of A Coy 8 RAR engaged with SA 8 en moving SW to NE into PHOUC LOI hamlet. En returned fire with AK 47 and RPGs. Result: 1 VC KIA(BC), 1 pack containing qty docus CIA. En dressed in green carrying green pack.

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e. Results.

(1) Friendly Losses. Nil.

(2) Enemy Losses.

(a) Personel. 1 VC KIA(BC), 6 detainees.

(b) Material. Mud hut, 1 X bolt action rifle, qty food, 1 pack, qty docus
1 pr boots, 2 X 15' boats, 2 X fishing nets, 2 X electricaly operated
bamboo booby traps, qty electric wire.

f. Small Unit Actions.

(1) Company - 3
Platoon - 2
Squad - 3

(2) 1 SAS Sqn has 6 LRRPs deployed.

(3) Small Unit Actions with contact: Nil.

(4) Results. Nil.

2. Combined Operations.

a. Omitted.

b. Omitted.

c. Engineering Operations.

(1) Mine Clearing Team.

(a) Dat Do. 1 slot completed.

(b) Ong Trinh. 6 X M16 destroyed, 3 X M16 nutralised.

(2) Land Clraring Team. 140,000 sq yards cleared.

3. Meteoroligical Detail.

a. Rainfall. Nil.

b. Prevailing Winds. South at 5 knots.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM
NUI DAT

15 MAY 70

SUBJECT : Ground Commander's Situation Report (SITREP)
From 140001H to 142400H May 70.

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

1. Operations Summary

a. General

- (1) 1 ATF continued operation TOAN THANG IV in the 1 ATF TAOR. HQ 1 ATF remains NUI DAT.
- (2) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains in NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Tp op in AO TULIP. Elms with MCT. One tp with road const Route 2. One tp at NDP BRIDGET.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. One sect remains with MCT. One sect with LCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. One tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. 1 Contact and 5 Intel and Aquired tgt missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Sqn(-) remains deployed in sp 1 ATF ops. Road const continued Route 2 vic NGAI GIAO. Elms continued minefield clearance South of DAT DO.
- (6) 17 Const Sqn. Bridge const continued Route 23. Quarry team remained vic YS4453. Road const continues Route 44. Land clearing continued vic AP THAM PHUOC.
- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn(-) remained loc NUI DAT. One pl op LONG SON Island.
- (8) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remained deployed with BHQ at HORSESHOE HILL. One coy loc NDP BRIDGET vic YS5154.
- (9) 8 RAR. Bn(-) deployed one coy in AO QUARTERMILE centre of mass YS4275. BHQ at FSPB LE LOI. Elements remain in AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops. Three coys remain in vic LONG DIEN/HOA LONG.

b. Plans Summary for period 150001H to 152400H May 70.

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Elms with MCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. Tp with road const on Route 2. One tp at NDP BRIDGET.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. One sect with MCT. One sect with LCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. One tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (3) 1 Fd Sqn. Continues minefield clearance DAT DO. Continues road const Route 2. Sp inf bns.
- (4) 17 Const Sqn. Road const team and quarry team with inf elms remain vic YS4453. Land clearing continues vic AP THAM PHUOC.
- (5) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn(-) remains NUI DAT. One pl remains LONG SON Island. One coy(-) ops West NUI DINH.
- (6) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remains HORSESHOE HILL. One coy loc at NDP BRIDGET.
- (7) 8 RAR. Bn(-) remains with one coy in AO QUARTERMILE. Three coys in vic HOA LONG/LONG DIEN. Elms remain at AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

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c. Locations.

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2 Tp YS503524, 3 Tp H'SHOE, 4 Tp YS460897.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp NUI DAT, 2 Tp H'SHOE, 3 Tp YS496887.
- (3) 1 ATF Artillery. RHQ NUI DAT, 106 Bty H'SHOE, 107 Bty NUI DAT, 161(NZ) Bty LE LOI, C Bty 2/35 US Arty NUI DAT.
- (4) 6 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) (-) NUI DAT.
- (5) 7 RAR. BHQ H'SHOE, A Coy YS506563, B Coy YS562678, C Coy BRIDGET, D Coy YS497574.
- (6) 8 RAR. BHQ LE LOI, A Coy NUI DAT, B Coy YS431596, C Coy YS441751, D Coy NUI DAT.
- (7) Mine Clearing Team. BRIDGET.
- (8) Land Clearing Team. ISA.
- (9) D & E Pl. YS482878.

d. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) The contact at 132100H at YS494569(Sitrep 130001-132400 para 1d(9)) involved A Coy 7 RAR, not 8 RAR as reported.
- (2) Late Report. At 132100H at YS494569 A Coy 7 RAR contacted 8 VC moving to NE. En returned fire with RPG and SA. Results 1 VC KIA(BC).
- (3) At 141200H at YS448580 an M16 mine was visually detected by the driver of a D8 bulldozer from the Land Clearing Team. The mine was destroyed in situ.
- (4) At approx 141830H at YS546704 6 pl B Coy 7 RAR located an old bkr system previously destroyed by friendlies but which had been used by 3-4 en 2 days ago. Two bush huts used in last 2 days by 10 en also loc in same area 27lb C4 explosives, 30 yds det cord concealed in pit and CIA.
- (5) At 142050H at YS405627 3/A/8 RAR contacted approx 15VC who approached from South scene wearing shorts, some wearing black trousers. Following contact they wdr East and West. 3Pl initiated the contact with claymores and SA. Results: 7 VC KIA(BC), 1XM79, 2XSKS, 2XM16, 1XRPG launcher CIA.

e. Results.

- (1) Friendly Losses. Nil.
- (2) Enemy Losses.
 - (a) Personnel. 8 VC KIA(BC)
 - (b) Materiel. 27lb C4 explosives, 30 yds det cord, 1XM79, 2XSKS, 2XM16, 1XRPG.

f. Small Unit Actions.

- (1) Company - 1
Platoon - 3
Squad - 4
- (2) 1 SAS Sqn has 8 LRRPs deployed.
- (3) Small Unit Actions with contact: Nil
- (4) Omitted.

2. Combined Operations.

- a. Omitted.
- b. Omitted.

c. Engineering Operations.

- (1) Land Clearing Team. 170,000sq metres cleared.
- (2) Mine Clearing Team. 3 slots completed, no mines detonated.

3. Meteorological Detail.

- a. Rainfall. 0.2"
- b. Prevailing Winds. 12 knots at 200 degrees.

Distribution.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM

NUI DAT

16 MAY 70

SUBJECT: Ground Commanders Situation Report (SITREP)
From 160001H to 162400H

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

1. Operations Summary

a. General

(1) 1 ATF continued operation TOAN THANG IV in the 1 ATF TAOR. HQ 1 ATF remains NUI DAT.

(2) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn (-) remains in NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Tp op in AO TULIP. Elms with MCT. One tp with road const Route 2. One tp at NDP BRIDGET.

(3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. One sect remains with MCT. One sect with LCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. One tp at HORSESHOE HILL.

(4) Task Force Artillery. 3 Contact and Intel and Acquired tgt missions were fired during the reporting period.

(5) 1 Fd Sqn. Sqn (-) remains deployed in sp 1 ATF ops. Road const continued Route 2 vic NGAI GIAO. Elms continued minefield clearance south of DAT DO.

(6) 17 Const Sqn. Bridge const continued Route 23. Quarry team remained vic YS4453. Road const continues Route 44. Land clearing continued vic AP THAM PHUOC.

(7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn (-) remained loc NUI DAT. One pl op LONG SON Island. One coy (-) deploys to AO MAGIC W of NUI DINH.

(8) 7 RAR. Bn (-) remained deployed with BHQ at HORSESHOE HILL. One coy loc NDP BRIDGET vic YS5154.

(9) 8 RAR. Bn (-) deployed one coy in AO QUARTERMILE centre of mass YS4275. BHQ at FSPB LE LOI. Elements remain in AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops. Three coys remain in vic LONG DIEN/HOA LONG.

b. Plans Summary for period 160001H to 162400H May 70.

(1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Elms with MCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. Tp with road const on Route 2. One tp at NDP BRIDGET.

(2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. One sect with MCT. One sect with LCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. One tp at HORSESHOE HILL.

(3) 1 Fd Sqn. Continues minefield clearance DAT DO. Continues road const Route 2. Sp inf bns.

(4) 17 Const Sqn. Road const team and quarry team with inf elms remain vic YS4453. Land clearing continues vic AP THAM PHUOC.

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(5) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn (-) remains NUI-DAT. One pl remains LONG SON Island. One Coy (-) ops West NUI DINH in AO MAGIC.

(6) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remains HORSESHOE HILL. One coy loc at NDP BRIDGET.

(7) 8 RAR. Bn(-) remains with one coy in AO QUARTERMILE. Three coys in vic HOA LONG/LONG DIEN. Elms remain at AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

c. Locations.

(1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. SQN NUI DAT, 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2 Tp BRIDGET, 3 TP HORSESHOE, 4 Tp YS465867.

(2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. SQN NUI DAT, 1 Tp NUI DAT, 2 Tp YS491559, 3 Tp YS496887.

(3) 1 ATF Artillery. RHQ NUI DAT, 106 Fd Bty HORSESHOE, 107 Fd Bty NUI DAT, 161 NZ Fd Bty LE LOI. C Bty 2/35 US Arty and Pl A Bty 1/8 US arty at NUI DAT.

(4) 7 RAR. Bn HQ HORSESHOE, A Coy YS506563, B Coy YS562678, C Coy BRIDGET, D Coy YS487573.

(5) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn(-) NUI DAT. W Coy(-) NDP ZILLA (YS313656).

(6) 8 RAR. Bn HQ LE LOI, A Coy NUI DAT, B Coy YS432597, C Coy NUI DAT, D Coy YS426763.

(7) Mine Clearing Team. BRIDGET.

(8) Land Clearing Team. HORSESHOE.

(9) D & E Pl. YS520896.

d. Contacts and Incidents.

(1) At 150001H at YS442623 a patrol from 2 Pl A Coy 8 RAR engaged unk number of enemy who approached from west and wdr east. First light sweep detected 1 set of drag marks. Result; 1 VC WIA (Drag Marks).

(2) At 150845H at YS576686 B Coy 7 RAR located body of 1 VC KIA by gunshot wounds to back and chest. Body believed to result from contact by elements of B Coy at 031015 at YS571679.

(3) At 151200H at YS494510 2 Tp Asqn 1 Armd Regt observed 1 large secondary explosion when engaging area of supposed slit trench.

(4) At 151300H at YS547707 6 Pl B Coy 7 RAR located the body of 1 VC who was killed by GSW to stomach and upper thigh. Body 2 days old and believed to result from contact with elements of 5 Pl at 121120H at YS559684.

(5) At 151315H at YS592825 elementsof 1 SAS sighted 3 VC, 1 dressed in white shirt, 2 in comouflage shirts. 1 pack and 2 Ak47s were seen. Enemy moving North through scrub. No contact was made and area engaged by B/R LFT. Patrol extracted.

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(6) At 151320H at YS311663 1 Pl W Coy located a CHICOM pressure mine buried 4" below ground. 2 feet from pressure point was a US 6.5v battery. Mine pulled and disarmed. Markings on mine which was 2½" diameter and 5" long were HT-50 and 6-66-72. Plus some chinese markings.

(7) At 151427H at YS502511 2 Tp A Sqn 1 Armd Regt located a possible drop-off area containing qty mine markers, 3 x M16 fuzes and 1 x M16 detonators. 3 woman seen in area eluded capture.

(8) At 152001H at YS463587 5 Pl B Coy 8 RAR contacted 11 VC dressed in black and carrying RPG and AK47 moving NORTH to South about 150m East of 5 Pl loc. Fol contact 3 en wdr East, one wdr North, remainder unknown. 3 en seen to fall as soon as pl iniated contact. 1 x pack CIA. Sweep to be conducted in the morning.

e. Results

(1) Friendly Losses. Nil

(2) Enemy Losses

(a) Personnel. 1 VC WIA (Drag marks), 2 VC KIA (BC)(Previous contacts).

(b) Material. 1 pressure mine, 3 M16 fuzes, 1 M16 detonator, 1 pack.

f. Small Unit Actions.

(1) Company - 1
- Platoon - 2
Squad - 4

(2) 1 SAS Sqn has 6 LRRPS deployed.

(3) Small Unit Actions with contact: Nil

(4) Results. Nil.

2. Combined Operations.

a. Psychological Operations;

(1) Ground Activity. Team op in HOA LONG. Conducted face to face propaganda with various individuals as follow up to contact by 3 Pl A Coy 8 RAR at 142050H at YS405627.

b. RF Operations Omitted.

c. ngineering Operations.

(1) Land Clearing Team. No clearing done. Team changing loc.

(2) Mine Clearing Team. Mine Clearing Team 3 areas cleared. 1 slot completed, 2 mines destroyed.

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3. Meteorological Detail.

- a. Rainfall. 0.54"
- b. Prevailing Winds. SE at 6 knots.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM
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17 MAY 70

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

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

1. Operations Summary.

a. General

- (1) 1 ATF continued operation TOAN THANG IV in the 1 ATF TAOR. HQ 1 ATF remains NUI DAT.
- (2) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains in NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Tp op in AO TULIP. Elms with MCT. One tp with road const Route 2. One tp at NDP BRIDGET.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. One sect remains with MCT. One sect with LCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. One tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. Nil Contact and 39 A and I tgts were fired. Naval gunfire engaged 1 contact, 9 observed and 30 A and I tgts.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Sqn(-) remains deployed in sp 1 ATF ops. Road const continued Route 2 vic NGAI GIAO. Elms continued minefield clearance south of DAT DO.
- (6) 17 Const Sqn. Bridge const continued Route 23. Quarry team remained vic YS4453. Road const continues Route 44. Land Clearing continued vic LONG GREEN area centre of mass YS5459.
- (7) 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). Bn(-) remained loc NUI DAT. One pl op LCNG SON island. One coy(-) deploys to AO MAGIC West of NUI DINH.
- (8) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remained deployed with BHQ at HORSESHOE HILL. One coy loc NDP BRIDGET vic YS5154.
- (9) 8 RAR. Bn(-) deployed one coy in AO QUARTERMILE centre of mass YS4275. BHQ at FSPB LE LOI. Elms remain in AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops. Three coys remain in vic LONG DIEN/HOA LCNG.
- (10) Air Support.

<u>GRID</u>	<u>REFERENCE</u>	<u>BDA/REPORT</u>
0955-1004H	YS477508	One cave entrance dest, living area dam.
1050-1112H	YS788900	One bridge badly dam, secondary explosion.
1117-1127H	YS788888	Missed tgt, more air recommended.
1152-1204H	YS725713	One cow KBA
1335-1400H	YS607883	One bkr destroyed, one bkr exposed.

b. Plans Summary for period 170001H to 172400H May 70.

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Elms with MCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. Tp with road const on Route 2. One tp at NDP BRIDGET.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. One sect with MCT. One sect with LCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. One tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (3) 1 Fd Sqn. Continues minefield clearance DAT DO. Continues road const Route 2. Sp inf bns.
- (4) 17 Const Sqn. Road const team and quarry team with inf elms remain vic YS4453. Land clearing continues vic LONG GREEN.
- (5) 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). Bn(-) remains NUI DAT. One pl remains LONG SON Is. One Coy(-) ops West NUI DINH in AO MAGIC.

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- (6) 7 RAR. Bn (-) remains HORSESHOE HILL. One coy loc at NDP BRIDGET.
- (7) 8 RAR. Bn (-) remains with one coy in AO QUARTERMILE. Three coys in vic HOA LONG/LONG DIEN. Elms remain at AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

c. Locations.

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2 Tp BRIDGET, 3 Tp HORSESHOE, 4 Tp YS496873.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. SHQ, 1 Tp NUI DAT, 2 Tp YS471592, 3 Tp YS496887.
- (3) 1 ATF Artillery. RHQ, 107 Fd Bty, C Bty 2/35 US Arty NUI DAT, 106 Fd Bty, A Bty 7/8 US Arty HORSESHOE, 161 NZ Fd Bty LE LOI.
- (4) 7 RAR. BHQ HORSESHOE, A Coy YS506563, B Coy YS575671, C Coy BRIDGET, D Coy YS479568.
- (5) 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn (-) NUI DAT, W Coy(-) NDP ZILLA.
- (6) 8 RAR. BHQ LE LOI, A Coy NUI DAT, B Coy YS431596, C Coy NUI DAT, D Coy YS433740.
- (7) Land Clearing Team. HORSESHOE.
- (8) Mine Clearing Team. BRIDGET.
- (9) D and E Pl. YS482878.

d. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) Ref contact of 5 Pl B Coy 8 RAR at 152001H at YS463587, Results of first light sweep: 2 VC WIA(BT), 1 pr sandals CIA.
- (2) At 160840H at YS312668 1 Pl W Coy 2 RAR engaged 4 VC at 35 M range who approached from SW. Results: 1 VC WIA(BT), 1 sandal and 1 poncho CIA.
- (3) At YS455715 between 161140 and 1250 a ptl from 7 RAR **detained** 23 VN in truck and tractor. Handed over to DUC THANH NP for questioning and later released.
- (4) At 161938H at YS313656, W Coy HQ engaged an unk number of en who approached from west. Contact initiated by W Coy. Res unk. Sweep will be conducted in the morning.
- (5) At 162040H 5 Pl B Coy 8 RAR reported secondary explosions resulting from arty fire into YS4753. Lights were seen in the general area.

e. Results.

- (1) Friendly Losses
 - (a) Personnel. Nil.
 - (b) Materiel. Nil.
- (2) Enemy Losses.
 - (a) Personnel. 3 VC WIA(BT).
 - (b) Materiel. 3 sandals, 1 poncho.

f. Small Unit Actions

- (1) Company - 1
Platoon - 2
Squad - 3
- (2) 1 SAS Sqn has 8 LRRPS deployed.
- (3) Small Unit Actions with contact: Nil
- (4) Results: Nil.

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2. Combined Operations

a. Psychological Operations.

(1) Leaflet Drop conducted and targeted over area E34-38, N63-68. Themes were CHIEU HOI and Pacification. 280,000 leaflets were dropped.

b. Omitted.

c. Engineering Operations.

(1) Land Clearing Team. 11,000 sq metres cleared.

(2) Mine Clearing Team. 75,000 sq metres cleared. 5 bunds pushed in.

3. Meteorological Detail.

a. Rainfall. 0.15".

b. Prevailing Winds. 228° at 2 knots.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM
NUI DAT

18 May 70

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

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

1. Operations Summary.

a. General

(1) 1 ATF continued operation TOAN THANG IV in the 1 ATF TAOR. HQ 1 ATF remains NUI DAT.

(2) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains in NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Tp op in AO TULIP. Elms with MCT. One tp with road const Route 2. One tp at NDP BRIDGET.

(3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. One sect remains with MCT. One sect with LCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. One tp at HORSESHOE HILL.

(4) Task Force Artillery. Nil Contact and 17A and I tgts were fired. Naval gunfire engaged Nil Contact, 6 observed and 14 A and I tgts.

(5) 1 Fd Sqn. Sqn(-) remains deployed in sp 1 ATF ops. Road const continued Route 2 vic NGAI GIAO. Elms continued minefield clearance south of DAT DO.

(6) 17 Const Sqn. Bridge const continued Route 23. Quarry team remained vic YS4453. Road const continues Route 44. Land Clearing continued vic LONG GREEN area centre of mass YS5459.

(7) 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). Bn(-) remained loc NUI DAT. One coy(-) deploys to AO MAGIC West of NUI DINH. One pl op LONG SON Island.

(8) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remained deployed with BHQ at HORSESHOE HILL. One coy AO CATHY. One coy loc NDP BRIDGET vic YS5154. 2 coys deployed vic DAT DO.

(9) 8 RAR. Bn(-) deployed one coy in AO QUARTERMILE centre of mass YS4275. BHQ at FSPB LE LOI. Elms remain in AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops. Three coys remain in vic LONG DIEN/HOA LONG.

b. Plans Summary for period 180001H to 182400H May 70.

(1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Elms with MCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. Tp with road const on Route 2. One tp at NDP BRIDGET.

(2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Sect with MCT. Sect with LCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. Tp at HORSESHOE HILL.

(3) 1 Fd Sqn. Continues minefield clearance DAT DO. Continues road const Route 2. Sp inf bns.

(4) 17 Const Sqn. Road const team and quarry team with inf elms remain vic YS4453. Land clearing continues vic LONG GREEN.

(5) 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). Bn(-) remains NUI DAT. One coy(-) ops west NUI DINH in AO MAGIC. One pl remains LONG SON Is.

(6) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remains HORSESHOE HILL. Coy loc at NDP BRIDGET. Coy AO CATHY. Two coys vic DAT DO.

(7) 8 RAR. Bn(-) remains with one coy in AO QUARTERMILE. Three coys in vic HOA LONG/LONG DIEN. Elms remain at AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

c. Locations.

(1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. SHQ NUI DAT, 1Tp NDP ELIZABETH, 2Tp BRIDGET, 3Tp HORSESHOE, 4Tp YS468867.

(2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. SHQ NUI DAT, 1Tp NUI DAT, 2Tp HORSESHOE, 3Tp YS459895.

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(3) 1 ATF Artillery. RHQ NUI DAT, 106 Fd Bty HORSESHOE, 107 Fd Bty NUI DAT, 161 NZ Fd Bty LE LOI, C Bty 2/35 US Arty NUI DAT, A Bty 7/8 US Arty HORSESHOE.

(4) 7 RAR. Bn HQ HORSESHOE, A Coy YS508565, B Coy YS575671, C Coy BRIGET, D Coy HORSESHOE.

(5) 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). (-) NUI DAT. W Coy(-) NDP ZILLA.

(6) 8 RAR. Bn HQ LE LOI, A Coy NUI DAT, B Coy YS431596, C Coy NUI DAT, D Coy YS 433740.

(7) Land Clearing Team. HORSESHOE.

(8) Mine Clearing Team. NDP BRIGET.

(9) D & E Pl. YS427919.

d. Contacts and Incidents.

(1) At 162200H at YS468798 elements of 1 Fd Sqn and 1 Tp A Sqn 1 Armd Regt sighted lights. Area engaged with 20lb tank fire and .50 cal MG and lights extinguished. First light sweep produced no results.

(2) Ref contact of W Coy 2 RAR at 161938H at YS313656. First light sweep produced no results.

(3) At 171450H at YS507580 3Tp A Sqn 1 Armd Regt supporting 17 Const Sqn Land Clearing Team located in a cache 7X M16 mines without fuzes. Mines had been buried with top 2" above ground and had been in position for at least 1 month.

(4) At 171630H at YS533653 Aslt Pnr Pl 7 RAR and 3Tp A Sqn 1 Armd Regt located an enemy staging camp consisting of 14 lean-to erections and 31'U' shaped shell scrape. For 20-30 people staggered around bamboo clump located in area were 200lbs of rice, 6 pumpkins (approx), some cooked rice (hot in pan), 1X live chicken, 100 gal containers water, 1X RPG round. Area had been very recently occupied and it is believed to be location from which observation helicopter received 3rds AK47 fire at 171558.

(5) At 172000H at YS393636 1Pl A Coy sighted approx 8 en moving 400-500 in SE of their posn. Not engaged because of distance and speed of enemy. Arty and mors not possible because of proximity of friendlies.

e. Results

(1) Friendly Losses

(a) Personnel. Nil

(b) Materiel. Nil

(2) Enemy Losses

(a) Personnel. Nil

(b) Materiel. 7X M16 mines(without fuzes), 200lb rice, 6 pumpkins, 1X 100 gal water container, 1 live chicken.

f. Small Unit Actions.

(1) Company - 1

Platoon - 2

Squad - 3

(2) 1 SAS Sqn has 8 LRRPS deployed.

(3) Small Unit Actions with contact; Nil.

(4) Results. Nil

2. a. Omitted.

b. Omitted.

c. Engineering Operations (1) Land Clearing Team. 140,000 sq metres cleared. (2) Mine Clearing Team. 5 bunds pushed in.

3. Meteorological Detail

a. Rainfall. Trace.

b. Prevailing Winds. 132 at 05 knots.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM

NUI DAT

19 May 70

SUBJECT: Ground Commanders Situation Report (SITREP).

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

1. Operations Summary.

a. General

- (1) 1 ATF continued operation TOAN THANG IV in the 1 ATF TAOR. HQ 1 ATF remains NUI DAT.
- (2) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains in NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Tp op in AO TULIP. Elms with MCT. One tp with road const Route 2. One tp at NDP BRIDGET.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. One sect remains with MCT. One sect with LCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. One tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. Contact and A and I tgts were fired. Naval gunfire engaged contact, observed and A and I tgts.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Sqn(-) remains deployed in sp 1 ATF ops. Road const continued Route 2 vic NGAI GIAO. Elms continued minefield clearance south of DAT DO.
- (6) 17 Const Sqn. Bridge const continued Route 23. Quarry team remained vic YS4453. Road const continues Route 44. Land clearing continued vic LONG GREEN area centre of mass YS5459.
- (7) 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). Bn(-) remained NUI DAT. One coy(-) remains in AO MAGIC West of NUI DINH. One pl op JONG SON Island.
- (8) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remained deployed with BHQ at HORSESHOE HILL. One coy AO CATHY. One coy loc NDP BRIDGET vic YS5154. 2 coys deployed vic DAT DO.
- (9) 8 RAR. One coy in AO QUARTERMILE centre of mass YS4275. BHQ at FSPB LE LOI. Elms remain in AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops. Two coys remain in vic LONG DIEN/HOA LONG.

b. Plans Summary for period 1900H to 192400H May 70.

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Elms with MCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. Tp with road const on Route 2. One tp at NDP BRIDGET.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Sect with MCT. Sect with LCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. Tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (3) 1 Fd Sqn. Continues minefield clearance DAT DO. Continues road const Route 2. Sp inf bns.
- (4) 17 Const Sqn. Road const team and quarry team with inf elms remain vic YS4453. Land clearing continues vic LONG GREEN.
- (5) 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). Bn(-) remains NUI DAT. One coy(-) op west NUI DINH in AO MAGIC. One pl remains LONG SON Island.
- (6) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remains HORSESHOE HILL. Coy loc at NDP BRIDGET. Coy AO CATHY. Two coys vic DAT DO.
- (7) 8 RAR. Bn(-) remains with one coy in AO QUARTERMILE. Three coys in vic HOA LONG/LONG DIEN. Elms remain at AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

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c. Locations

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. SHQ ND, 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2 Tp BRIGET, 3 Tp HORSE-SHOE, 4 Tp YS457872.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. SHQ ND, 1 Tp YS462729, 2 Tp YS475574, 3 Tp YS459895.
- (3) 1 ATF Artillery. RHQ ND, 106 Fd Bty HORSESHOE, 107 Fd Bty ND, 161 NZ Fd Bty LE LOI, C Bty 2/35 US Arty ND, A Bty 7/8 US Arty HORSESHOE.
- (4) 7 RAR. Bn HQ HORSESHOE, A Coy YS508566, B Coy YS574671, C Coy BRIGET, D Coy YS471572.
- (5) 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). (-) ND, Y Coy YS462729, W Coy (-) ZILLA.
- (6) 8 RAR. Bn HQ LE LOI, A Coy ND, B Coy YS432596, C Coy ND, D Coy YS433740.
- (7) Land Clearing Team. HORSESHOE.
- (8) Mine Clearing Team. NDP BRIGET.
- (9) D & E Pl. YS432873.

d. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 180800H at YS525544 2 Tp A Sqn 1 Armd Regt detonated a 20lb chicom pressure mine. Results: Nil casualties. Light damage to 1xCenturion tank.
- (2) At 180800H at YS323630 3/W/2 RAR/NZ detained 4 VN (3 female, 1 male). Party moving South with empty baskets, 1 machete, no axes, 3 extra hats, no ID cards. Interrogation team deployed by air. Subsequently a further 10 VN were detained in same general area and after interrogation all 14 were released.
- (3) At 180700H at YS525547 aircraft of 161 Recce Flt sighted 6 VN carrying 1 body dressed in green. Body subsequently taken to LONG PHUOC HOI where local authorities were advised that he was a fisherman shot by aircraft at 172000. Body considered to be VC KBA at YS507567 at 172045 when 1 VC on bicycle dressed in green and carrying pack was engaged by aircraft of 161 Recce Flt.
- (4) At 181330H at YS462820 elms of 1 Fd Sqn road const team working on Route 2 loc and neutralised a 30lb chicom mine when it was uncovered by a bulldozer. Initiating device not loc. Mine estimated to have been in situ for 6 months.
- (5) At approx 181700H at YS481552 a LOH of 161 Recce Flt sighted a bkr which had been dug within the last few days.
- (6) At 191600H at YS570657 4/B/7 RAR loc a 6 month old transit area used within the last 4 weeks. Camp consisted of one hut and one bkr with mine markers in the area, but no mines were found.
- (7) At 191900H at YS574671 B Coy 7 RAR loc an old tunnel 15' long with a large room at the end. The tunnel was destroyed.

e. Results

- (1) Friendly Losses
 - (a) Omitted.
 - (b) Material - light damage to Centurion Tank.
- (2) Enemy Losses
 - (a) Personnel. 1 VC (KBA).
 - (b) Material. 30lb chicom mine.

f. Small Unit Action

- (1) Company - 1
Platoon - 2
Squad - 2
- (2) 1 SAS Sqn has 6 LRRPS deployed.
- (3) Small Unit Actions with contact: Nil.
- (4) Results. Nil.

2. Combined Operations

a. Psychological Operations

Ground Team - Conducted face to face propaganda in DUC THANH area.

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- b. Omitted.
 - c. Engineering Operations
 - (1) Land Clearing Team - 180,000 sq metres.
 - (2) Mine Clearing Team - 6 bunds pushed in 2 slots completed.
3. Meteorological Detail
- a. Rainfall. Nil.
 - b. Prevailing Winds. 137° at 7 knots.

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HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM
NUI DAT

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Situation Report (SITREP)
from 190001H to 192400H.

20 May 70

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

1. Operations Summary.

a. General.

- (1) 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANG IV in the 1 ATF TAOR. HQ 1 ATF remains NUI DAT.
- (2) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains in NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Tp op in AO QUARTERMILE. Elms with MCT. One tp with road const Route 2. One tp at NDP BRIDGET.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. One sect remains with MCT. One sect with LCT. Tp op in AO QUARTERMILE. One tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. 2 contact and 64A and I targets were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Sqn(-) remains deployed in sp 1 ATF ops. Road const continued Route 2 vic NGAI GIAO. Elms continue minefield clearance south of DAT DO.
- (6) 17 Const Sqn. Bridge const continued Route 23. Quarry team remained vic YS4453. Road const continues Route 44. Land Clearing Team continued vic LONG GREEN area centre of mass YS5459.
- (7) 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn(-) remained NUI DAT. One coy(-) remains in AO MAGIC west of NUI DINH. One pl op LONG SON Island. One coy ops in AO ACACIA.
- (8) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remained deployed with BHQ at HORSESHOE HILL. One coy AO CATHY. One coy loc NDP BRIDGET vic YS5154. Two coys deployed vic DAT DO.
- (9) 8 RAR. One coy in AO QUARTERMILE centre of mass YS4275. BHQ at FSPB LE LOI. Elms remain in AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops. Three coys remain in vic LONG DIEN/HOA LONG.
- (10) Air Support.

TIME	REFERENCE	BDA
191630H	YS344765	Nil further.

b. Plans Summary for period 200001H to 202400H May 70.

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Elms with MCT. Tp op in AO QUARTERMILE. Tp with road const on Route 2. One tp at NDP BRIDGET.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Sect with MCT. Sect with LCT. Tp op in AO QUARTERMILE. Tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (3) 1 Fd Sqn. Continues minefield clearance DAT DO. Continues road const Route 2. Sp inf bns.
- (4) 17 Const Sqn. Road const team and quarry team with inf elms remain vic YS4453. Land Clearing continues vic LONG GREEN.
- (5) 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn(-) remains NUI DAT. One coy(-) op west of NUI DINH in AO MAGIC. One pl remains LONG SON Island. One coy ops in AO ACACIA.
- (6) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remains HORSESHOE HILL. Coy loc at NDP BRIDGET. Coy AO CATHY. Two coys vic DAT DO.
- (7) 8 RAR. Bn(-) remains with one coy in AO QUARTERMILE. Three coys in vic HAO LONG/LONG DIEN. Elms remain at AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

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c. Locations.

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2 Tp BRIDGET, 3 Tp H'SHOE, 4 Tp YS330798.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp YS405698, 2 Tp H'SHOE, 3Tp YS337807.
- (3) 1 ATF Artillery. RHQ NUI DAT, 106 Fd Bty H'SHOE, 107 Fd Bty NUI DAT, 161 (NZ)Fd Bty LE LOI, C/2/35 US Arty NUI DAT, Pl A/7/8 US Arty H'SHOE.
- (4) 7 RAR. Bn HQ H'SHOE, A Coy YS498574, B Coy YS574671, C Coy BRIDGET, D Coy YS478584.
- (5) 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn HQ(-) NUI DAT, A Coy YS405699, W Coy(-) ZILLA.
- (6) 8 RAR. Bn HQ LE LOI, A Coy NUI DAT, B Coy YS432597, C Coy NUI DAT, D Coy YS433740.
- (7) Land Clearing Team. H'SHOE.
- (8) Mine Clearing Team. BRIDGET.
- (9) D & E Pl. YS337807.

d. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 182030H at YS508532 Anti Tk Pl 7 RAR sighted at 800M 10 VC moving East. They were not engaged.
- (2) At 182340H at YS507541 elms of 7/C/7 RAR engaged, when contact could not be avoided, estimated 8 VC who approached NDP. After contact enemy wdr SE and then SW. 5 enemy seen to fall and 2 were dragged away. Results from immediate sweep and first light sweep: 3 VC KIA (BC), 2 VC WIA (drag marks), 1xM1 carbine, 2xM16, 3 packs, 2 bags rice (120lb), 1xM26 gren, small wallet containing docus identifying member of medical sect D445, qty clothing, food and webbing, 7xM16 mags, 1xM1 mag CIA.
- (3) At 191150H at YS558678 elms of 5/B/7 RAR located body of 1 VC KIA by gunshot wounds. With body was M1 carbine and both had been carried in a hammock which had been camouflaged. Believed to be result of contact by 5 Pl at 121120H at YS559684. This brings result of that contact to 4 VC KIA (BC), 1 VC WIA (BT), 1xAK47, 1xM1, and qty docus CIA. Reference SITREP dated 13 May para 1.d.(1) and SITREP dated 16 May para 1.d.(4).
- (4) At 191130H at YS457848 elms of Plant Tp 1 Fd Sqn engaged on route const on Route 2 were fired on by 1 VC with M16. Sweep by 1 Tp A Sqn 1 Armd Regt had negative results.
- (5) At 191350H at YS419736 elms of 12/D/8 RAR engaged 1 VC dressed in black carrying M1 or M2 approached from and wdr to the West. Enemy fled after 12 Pl fired 2 shots and sweep had no results.
- (6) At 191955H at YS447522 Aslt Pnr/8 RAR saw 3 en moving SSW. En engaged with mors and no movement seen afterwards. Area being kept under surveillance.
- (7) At 192030H at YS399635 1/A/8 RAR received 1xM79 round into their ambush posn, probably from the west. No casualties.

e. Results.

- (1) Friendly Losses.
 - (a) Personnel. Nil.
 - (b) Material. Nil,
- (2) Enemy Losses.
 - (a) Personnel. 3 VC KIA (BC), 1 VC KIA (BC- previous contact), 2 VC WIA (drag marks).
 - (b) Material. 1xM1 carbine, 2xM16, 1xM26 gren, 120lb rice, 3 packs, wallet, docus, qty clothing, food, and webbing, 7xM16 mags, 1xM1 mag.

f. Small Unit Actions.

- (1) Company - 1
Platoon - 2
Squad - 4

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- (2) 1 SAS Sqn has 4 LRRPS deployed.
- (3) Small Unit Actions with contacts: Nil.
- (4) Results. Nil.

2. Combined Operations.

a. Psychological Operations.

(1) Leaflet Drop. Conducted and targeted in area E36-40, N75-81. Theme was pacification and Chieu Hoi. 280,000 leaflets were dropped.

b. Engineering Operations.

- (1) Land Clearing Team. 160,000 sq metres cleared.
- (2) Mine Clearing Team. 12,000 sq metres cleared, 1 slot completed, 3 slots opened, 5,000 sq metres stripped, 16 mines detonated.

3. Meteorological Detail.

a. Rainfall. Nil.

b. Prevailing Winds. 336° at 06 knots.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM
NUI DAT

24 MAR 70

SUBJECT : Ground Commanders Situation Report (SITREP)
FROM 200001H to 202400H May 70

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

1. Operations Summary

a. General.

- (1) 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANG IV in the 1 ATF TAOR. HQ 1 ATF remains NUI DAT.
- (2) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn (-) remains in NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Tp op in vic YS2273. Elms with MCT. One tp with road const Route 2. One tp at NDP BRIDGET.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. One sect remains with MCT. One sect with LCT. Tp op in vic YS2273. One tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. Nil contact and 38 A and I targets were fired during the reporting period. NGF fired 9 observed msns. 70 A & I Tgts.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Sqn (-) remains deployed in sp 1 ATF ops. Road const continued Route 2 vic NGAI GIAO. Elms continue minefield clearance south of DAT DO.
- (6) 17 Const Sqn. Bridge const continued Route 23. Quarry team remained vic YS4453. Road const continues Route 44. Land Clearing Team continued vic LONG GREEN area centre of mass YS5459.
- (7) 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn (-) remained NUI DAT. One coy (-) remains in AO MAGIC west of NUI DINH. One pl op LONG SON island. One coy ops in AO ACACIA.
- (8) 7 RAR. Bn (-) remained deployed with BHQ at HORSESHOE HILL. One coy AO CATHY. One coy loc NDP BRIDGET.vic YS5154. Two coys deployed vic DAT DO.
- (9) 8 RAR. Two coy in AO QUARTERMILE centre of mass YS4275. BHQ at FSPB LE LOI. Elms remain in AO BENDIGO.to sp quarry ops. Two coys remain in vic LONG DIEN/HOA LONG.

(10) Air Support.

TIME	REFERENCE	BDA
191700	YS344766(9)	3 BNKRS DEST 1 BNKR-DAMG AND EXP 2.
200950	YS482508(10)	LZ PREP
201000	YS482508	LZ PREP
201000	YS482508	LZ PREP
201005	YS482508	LZ PREP
201015	YS482508	LZ PREP
201015	YS321697(11)	NO BDA
201255	YS709834(12)	1 SECONDARY EXPLOSION. 1 SIC FIRE
201330	YS734796(13)	NO BDA

b. Plans Summary for period 210001H to 212400H May 70.

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Elms with MCT. Tp op in vic YS2273. Tp with road const on Route 2.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Sect with MCT. Sect with LCT. Tp op in vic YS2273. Tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (3) 1 Fd Sqn. Continues minefield clearance DAT DO. Continues road const Route 2. Sp inf bns.

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- (4) 17 Const Sqn. Road const team and quarry team with inf elms remain vic YS4453. Land clearing continues vic LONG GREEN.
- (5) 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). Bn(-) remains NUI DAT. One coy(-) op west of NUI DINH in AO MAGIC. One coy ops in AO ACACIA. One pl remains LONG SON ISLAND.
- (6) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remains HORSESHOE HILL. Coy loc at NDP BRIDGET. Coy AO CATHY. Two coys vic DAT DO.
- (7) 8 RAR. Bn(-) remains with two coys in AO QUARTERMILE. Two coys in vic HAO LONG/LOIG DIEN. Elms remain at AO BLENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

c. Locations.

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2 Tp BRIDGET, 3 Tp H'SHOE, 4 Tp YS214786.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp NUI DAT, 2 Tp YS483602, 3 Tp YS223736.
- (3) 1 ATF Artillery. RHQ NUI DAT, 106 Fd Bty H'SHOE, 107 Fd Bty NUI DAT, 161 NZ Fd Bty LE LOI, C Bty 2/35 US Arty NUI DAT, Pl A Bty 7/8 US Arty H'SHOE.
- (4) 7 RAR. Bn HQ H'SHOE, A Coy YS474630, B Coy YS574671, C Coy BRIDGET, D Coy YS473618.
- (5) 2RAR/NZ(ANZAC) (-) NUI DAT, W Coy(-) Zilla.
- (6) 8 RAR. Bn HQ LE LOI, A Coy YS420640, B Coy YSLE LOIC Coy YS431594, D Coy NUI DAT.
- (7) Mine Clearing Team. BRIDGET.
- (8) Land Clearing Team. H'SHOE.
- (9) D & E Pl. YS227762.

d. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 201050H at YS572673 5pl B Coy 7RAR loc a rice cache consisting of 600 lbs of rice in 11 sealed drums. Cache estimated to have been established within 24 hours. Rice destroyed.
- (2) At 201105H at YS515582 a D8 bulldozer of 17 Const Sqn Land Clearing team detonated a 50 lb shaped charge. Mine pressure initiated and placed below ground. Results: Driver slightly injured. 1xD8 bulldozer extensively damaged.
- (3) At 201000H at YS493526 9pl C Coy 7 RAR loc 1 VC body KIA estimated three weeks ago. Beleived to result from contact by patrol of 9pl in late Apl.
- (4) At YS5052 RF pers loc 2 bodies 1 KIA with AK47 beside it and killed 2-3 days ago, and 1 KIA 2-3 weeks ago. Both bodies beleived to have resulted from contacts involving elements of C Coy 7 RAR.

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- (5) At approx 201730H at YS4350363 Gpl B Coy 8 RAR loc a body 2-3 months old covered by a couple of logs. Body wearing black trousers, cam shirt and sandshoes. Believed to have been killed by D & B during ops in the area.
- (6) At 202125H at YS433521 elements of 8 RAR at NDP ISA engaged 2 squads of VC (each approx str 5) with 81mm mor. En also engaged with 81mm mor from MSF and SA from Lo Voi RF post.
- (7) At 202135H at YS435536 elements of 8 RAR at NDP ISA had 2 rounds of what was thought to be RPG rounds fired at them from the North whilst they were firing in support of the above contact. 1 round landed 50m N of ISA the other was heard travelling S overhead.
- (8) Correction. SITREP for period 180001H - 182400H dated 19 May para 1d (3) last sentence Grid of VC KBA should read YS570567, not YS507567 as previously reported (typing error).

e. Results.

(1) Friendly Losses.

- (a) Personnel. 1 Aust WIA
- (b) Material. 1xD8 bulldozer heavily damaged.

(2) Enemy Losses.

- (a) Personnel. 4 VC KIA (previous contacts)
- (b) Material. 600lb rice.

f. Small Unit Actions.

- (1) Company-1
Platoon-3
Squad -4

(2) 1 SAS Sqn has 3 LRRPS deployed.

(3) Small Unit Actions with contact: Nil

(4) Results. Nil

2. Combined Operations.

a. Psychological Operations.

(1) 1 Leaflet Drop. Conducted and targeted in area E 39, N 67-72. Theme was CHIEU HOI. 280,000 leaflets were dropped.

b. RF Operations. Omitted.

c. Engineering Operations. (1) Land Clearing Team 120000 sq metres cleared
(2) Mine Clearing Team 12000 sq metres stripped, 2 ~~blms~~ pushed in.

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3. Meteorological Detail.

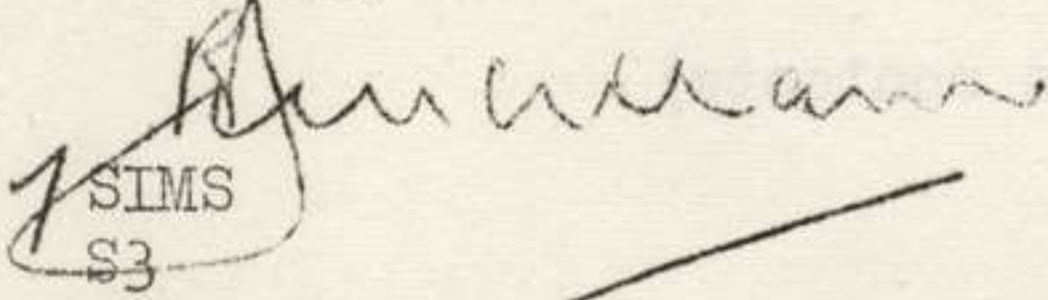
- a. Rainfall. 0.01"
- b. Prevailing Winds. 2920 at 4 knots.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM
NUI DAT

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Situation Report (SITREP) 22 May 70
From 210001H to 212400H

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

1. Operations Summary

a. General

- (1) 1 ATF continued Operation TOAN THANG IV in the 1 ATF TAOR. HQ
1 ATF remains NUI DAT.
- (2) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains in NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE
HILL. Tp op in vic YS2273. One tp with road const Route 2. One tp at
NDP BRIDGET.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. One sect remains with
MCT. One sect with LCT. Tp op in vic YS2273. One tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. Nil contact and 38 A and I targets were
fired during the reporting period. NGF fired 7 observed msns 82A and I Tgts.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Sqn(-) remains deployed in sp 1 ATF ops. Road const
continued Route 2 vic NGAI GIAO. Elms continue minefield clearance South
of DAT DO.
- (6) 17 Const Sqn. Bridge const continued Route 23. Quarry team remained
vic YS4453. Road const continues Route 44. Land clearing team continued
vic LONG GREEN area centre of mass YS5459.
- (7) 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn(-) remained NUI DAT. One coy(-) remains in
AO MAGIC West of NUI DINH. One pl op LONG SON Island. One coy ops in
AO ACACIA.
- (8) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remained deployed with BHQ at HORSESHOE HILL. One
coy AO CATHY. One coy loc NDP BRIDGET vic YS5154. Two coys deployed
vic DAT DO.
- (9) 8 RAR. Two coys in AO QUARTERMILE centre of mass YS4275. BHQ at
FSPB LE LOI. Elms remain in AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops. Two coys
remain in vic LONG DIEN/HOA LONG.
- (10) Air Support

Time	Reference	BDA/Report
201540	YS698823	2 Bkrs dest, 1 hut dest
201730	YS699831	No BDA
201730	YS698823	1 Bkr dest
201735	YS709834	No BDA
201740	YS712821	5 bkrs dest, 1 large tunnel ent exp
201750	YS696851	1 bkr dest, 1 bkr dam
201750	YS734796	No BDA
210955	YS595856	2 FTG pos exp, 4 bkrs exp, 10m trenchline exp
211404	YS715817	2 bkrs dest, 1 bkr dam.

b. Plans Summary for period 220001H to 222400H May 70.

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE
HILL. Elms with MCT. Tp op in vic YS2273. Tp with road const on Route 2.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. Sect with MCT. Sect with
LCT. Tp op in vic YS2273. Tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (3) 1 Fd Sqn. Continues minefield clearance DAT DO. Continues road
const Route 2. Sp inf bns.

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(4) 17 Const Sqn. Road const team and quarry team with inf elms remain vic YS4453. Land clearing continues vic LONG GREEN.

(5) 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). Bn(-) remains NUI DAT. One coy(-) op west of NUI DINH in AO MAGIC. One coy ops in AO ACACIA. One pl remains LONG SON ISLAND.

(6) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remains HORSESHOE HILL. Coy loc at NDP BRIDGET. Two coys AO CATHY. One coy vic DAT DO.

(7) 8 RAR. Bn(-) remains with two coys in AO QUARTERMILE. Two coys in vic HOA LONG/LONG DIEN. Elms remain at AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

c. Locations

(1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. HQ NUI DAT. 1 Tp ELIZABETH. 2 Tp YS573568. 3 Tp HORSESHOE HILL. 4 Tp YS214786.

(2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. HQ NUI DAT. 1 Tp ELIZABETH. 2 Tp HORSESHOE HILL. 3 Tp YS223736.

(3) 1 ATF Artillery. HQ 4 Fd Regt RAA NUI DAT. 106 Fd Bty HORSESHOE HILL. 107 Fd Bty NUI DAT. 161 (NZ) Fd Bty LE LOI. C/2/35 US Arty NUI DAT. A/7/8 US Arty HORSESHOE HILL.

(4) 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). HQ NUI DAT. A Coy NUI DAT. B Coy YS400713. C Coy NUI DAT. V Coy NUI DAT. W Coy ZILLA.

(5) 7 RAR. HQ HORSESHOE HILL. A Coy YS519661. B Coy YS574671. C Coy BRIDGET. D Coy YS481631.

(6) 8 RAR. HQ LE LOI. A Coy NUI DAT. B Coy LE LOI. C Coy YS432596. D Coy NUI DAT.

(7) Mine Clearing Team. BRIDGET.

(8) Land Clearing Team. HORSESHOE HILL.

(9) D & E Pl. YS223736.

(10) TFMA Composite Pl. YS243754.

d. Contacts and Incidents.

(1) At 202230H at YS466796 elms of 1 Fd Sqn Road Const Team sighted lights. Area engaged with .50 cal MG fire and en returned fire with SA. Area then engaged with 105mm fire from FSPB LE LOI.

(2) At 210925H at YS328639 a ptl from 3 Pl W Coy 2RAR/NZ(ANZAC) engaged one en resulting in 1xVC KIA (BC); 1x7.72 CHICOM pistol, pack and qty of docs CIA.

(3) At 210930H at YS328638 3 Pl W Coy 2 RAR loc a bunker system consisting of 6x1 man wpn pits with OHC. System recently vacated and assumed that KIA came from system.

(4) At 201920H at YS256655 elms of 3 Tp B Sqn 3 Cav Regt contacted estimated 3 VC in a sampan. A number of rds hit the sampan before it disappeared. A sweep of the area revealed nothing.

(5) At YS465552 elms of 17 Const Sqn LCT and 2 Tp A Sqn 1 Armd Regt located a bunker system consisting of 4x3 man bkrs and 1x5 man bkr each with sleeping bay with 3' OHP. Area screened from air observation. Area last used 2 days ago and contained: Torch batteries, eating utensils, empty pack and qty rice in part full 4 galldrum.

(6) At YS523658 1 Pl A Coy 7 RAR located a bunker system consisting of 6 bunkers with 2' OHP. Area was concealed by natural canopy. There is no natural water point in area but 4 gallons were stored in container. Area last occupied 5-7 days ago. Qty of docs and assorted equipment recovered.

(7) At 212008H at YS425542 elms of 8 RAR at NDP ISA engaged with 81mm mortar a barge which pulled into an inlet. Engagement resulted in possible direct hit which will be investigated at first light.

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(8) At 211515H at YS519661 A Coy 7 RAR, 3 Tp A Sqn 1 Armd Regt and 2 Tp B Sqn 3 Cav Regt engaged unknown number of local force enemy in bunker system. Results 1 Aust KIA, 13 Aust WIA 1 VN Bushman Scout WIA. 5 VC KIA (BC) 3 VC PW (including 2 PW WIA). 1xAK47, 1xM16, 1xM72, 1xRPG, 7xRPG rds CIA. Following equipment which has not yet been itemised also captured, qty assorted ammo, estimated 1/2 ton of clothing, food, medical stores and general equipment. Bunker system and internal tunnel system not yet fully investigated and will be subject of separate report.

e. Results

(1) Friendly Losses

(a) Personnel. 1 Aust KIA, 13 Aust WIA, 1 VN WIA.

(b) Materiel. Turret of Centurion tank penetrated by RPG rd.

(2) Enemy Losses

(a) Personnel. 6 VC KIA (BC), 2 VC WIA (PW), 1 VC PW.

(b) Materiel. 1x7.62mm Chicom pistol, 1xpack, qty docus, qty eating utensils, qty rice, 1xAK47, 1xM16, 1xM72, 1xRPG, 7xRPG rds, qty assorted ammo, estimated 1/2 ton of stores yet to be itemised including clothing, food, medical equipment and general stores.

f. Small Unit Actions.

(1) Company - 4
Platoon - 1
Squad - 4

(2) 1 SAS Sqn has 6 LRRPS deployed.

(3) Small Unit Actions with contact: One

(4) Results. See para 1 d (2).

2. Combined Operations.

a. Psychological Operations.

(1) Leaflet Drop. Conducted and targeted in areas E40-42, N82-87, E41-44, N78-82. Theme was Chieu Hoi. 308,000 leaflets were dropped.

(2) Ground Activity. Team loc and op in Duc Thanh area. Theme was Civil Access. Dent and Medcap conducted in Viet Cuong as follow up to previous ops.

b. RF Operations. 577 RF Coy continues ops in LONG HAI HILLS. Technical support in destruction of tunnels given by elms of 1 Fd Sqn.

c. Engineering Operations. (1). Mine Clearing Team. 2 slots completed, no mines detonated. (2) Land Clearing Team. 45,000 sq yards cleared, no mines detonated, 3 machines serviceable.

3. Meteorological Detail

a. Rainfall. Trace

b. Prevailing Winds. E at 12 knots.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM
NUI DAT

23 May 70

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

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

1. Operations Summary.

a. General.

- (1) 1 ATF continues Operation TOAN THANG IV in the 1 ATF TAOR. HQ 1 ATF remains NUI DAT.
- (2) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Tp op in vic YS2273. One tp with road const Route 2. One tp at NDP BRIDGET.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. One sect remains with MCT. One sect with LCT. Yp op in vic YS2273. One tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. 3 contact and 43 A and I missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Sqn(-) remains deployed in sp 1 ATF ops. Road const continued Route 2, vic NGAI GIAO. Elms continue minefield clearance south of DAT DO.
- (6) 17 Const Sqn. Bridge const continued Route 23. Quarry team remained vic YS4453. Road const continues Route 44. Land clearing team continued vic LONG GREEN area centre of mass YS5459.
- (7) 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn(-) remained NUI DAT. One coy(-) remains in AO MAGIC west of NUI DINH. One pl op LONG SON Island.
- (8) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remained deployed with BHQ at HORSESHOE HILL. Two coys AO CATHY. One coy loc NDP BRIDGET vic YS5154. One coy deployed vic DAT DO.
- (9) 8 RAR. Two coys in AO QUARTERMILE centre of mass YS4275. BHQ at FSPB LE LOI. Elms remain in AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops. Two coys remain in vic LONG DIEN/HOA LONG.

(10) Air Support.

<u>TIME</u>	<u>REFERENCE</u>	<u>BDA/REPORT</u>
220940H	YS724868	1 bkr dest, 1 bkr exposed.
221410H	YS392843	2 bkrs exposed.
221530H	YS373850	2 bkrs (possible occupied)

b. Plans Summary for period 230001H to 232400H May 70.

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Elms with MCT. Tp op in vic YS2273. Tp with road const on Route 2.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Sect with MCT. Sect with LCT. Tp op in vic YS2273. Tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (3) 1 Fd Sqn. Continues minefield clearance DAT DO. Continues road const Route 2. Sp inf bns.
- (4) 17 Const Sqn. Road const team and quarry team with inf elms remain vic YS4453. Land clearing team continues vic LONG GREEN.
- (5) 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn(-) remains NUI DAT. One coy(-) op west of NUI DINH in AO MAGIC. One pl remains LONG SON Island.
- (6) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remains HORSESHOE HILL. Coy loc at NDP BRIDGET. Two coys AO CATHY. One coy vic DAT DO.
- (7) 8 RAR. Bn(-) remains with two coys in AO QUARTERMILE. Two coys in vic HOA LONG/LONG DIEN. Elms remain at AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

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c. Locations.

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. HQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp Elizabeth, 2 Tp Bridget, 3 Tp HORSESHOE, 4 Tp YS214786.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. HQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp YS412695, 2 Tp HORSESHOE, 3 Tp YS227740.
- (3) 1 ATF Artillery. HQ 4 Fd Regt NUI DAT, 107 Fd Bty NUI DAT, 106 Fd Bty HORSESHOE, 161(NZ) Fd Bty LE LOI, C/2/35US Arty NUI DAT, A/7/8 US Arty HORSESHOE.
- (4) 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). HQ, A Coy B Coy & V Coy NUI DAT, C Coy YS412695, W Coy ZILLA.
- (5) 7 RAR. HQ HORSESHOE, A Coy YS514660, B Coy YS574671, C Coy BRIDGET, D Coy YS481631.
- (6) 8 RAR. HQ LE LOI, A Coy NUI DAT-elm area HOA LONG, B Coy LE LOI, C Coy YS437588 & YS432596, D Coy
- (7) Mine Clearing Team. BRIDGET.
- (8) Land Clearing Team. HORSESHOE.
- (9) D&E Pl. YS227740.
- (10) TFMA Composite Pl. YS243754.

d. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 220610H at YS517661, elms of 3Pl A Coy 7 RAR contacted 1 VC who was moving West to East. Arty fired. No results. En wdr North.
- (2) At 220945H at YS519639, elms of B Sqn 3 Cav Regt were fired at with SA fire from the tree line whilst searching the area and questioning some locals. Sweep followed without results, but cache of 100lbs rice located at YS521648.
- (3) At 221045H at YS308657, elms of W Coy 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) located a body wrapped in plastic, about 4-5 days old. Loc, dress and nature of wounds indicates body was WIA from contact 160840H at YS312668 by 1Pl W Coy.
- (4) Late Report. At 211100H at YS470562 elms of 1 Fd Sqn and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt located a bkr system of 7 bkrs and 2 wells, last used about 1 week ago. Recovered were clothing, docus, small qty ammo, cooking utensils, 1 pair of bolt cutters, primus stove, qty webbing, 1 X Chicom blast gren, 1 lb of rice, qty material. Bkrs destroyed.
- (5) At 221450H at YS572664 4Pl B Coy 7 RAR contacted 1 VC moving North. Res 1 VC KIA(BC) 1 pack, qty medical eqpt, 1XM26 gren, qty NVN currency, 1 letter designating C4.
- (6) At 221510H at YS324658 1/W/2 RAR engaged est 15-20VC in a bkr system. Area engaged by 81mm Mor before pl attempted to enter but during assault pl came under heavy SA and automatic wpn fire. Second mor engagement with Arty and LF's employed before pl was able to sweep through area unopposed. Res: 1 NZ WIA (slightly), 1 VC KIA(BC). En wdr North and NE. Installation consisted of: bkrs, sentry posts and camp area. Booby traps had been made in the camp and US claymores covered entry points. Recovered from area were qty of explosives, clothing and documents.
- (7) At 221659H at YS574671 elms of B Coy 7 RAR engaged 2 VC who approached from the South. Following contact en wdr South before splitting up at YS578669, one continuing South, the other North. Res: 1 VC WIA(HBT).
- (8) Late Report. Refers to SITREP dated 22 May Para 1 d (8). At 211515 at YS519661 A Coy 7 RAR engaged an occupied bkr system. System consisted of 12 bkrs each 2'X3'X5' with 12" OHP on East side of N-S track. On West side of track were 3 bkrs each 8'X8'X5' with 18"-24" OHP. Also in area were 10 empty holes 7'X3'X2' all parallel and close together (possibly graves). Some bkrs were 1 year old but recently improved and all were occupied when contact made. 2 bkrs has M26 Instantaneous grenade booby traps in them. A well was contained within the perimeter. Communication trenches in area were initially reported erroneously as tunnels.

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- e. Results.
- (1) Friendly Losses.
 - (a) Personnel. 1 NZ WIA.
 - (b) Materiel. Nil.
 - (2) Enemy Losses.
 - (a) Personnel. 3 VC KIA(BC) (including 1 from previous contact).
 - (b) Materiel. 100lb rice, small qty SAA, qty medical equipment, qty clothing and docus, 1 pack, 1 letter, qty explosives.
- f. Small Unit Actions.
- (1) Company - 4
Platoon - 2
Squad - 4
 - (2) 1 SAS has 8 LRRPs deployed.
 - (3) Small Unit Actions with contact: One.
 - (4) Results: See Para 1 d. (6).

2. Combined Operations.

- a. Omitted.
- b. RF Operations. 577 RF Coy completed operations in Long Hai Hill and was extracted by 9 Sqn RAAF.
- c. Engineering Operations.
- (1) Mine Clearing Team. 6000 sq metres swept. 2 slots completed, 2 mines detonated.
 - (2) Land Clearing Team. 160,000 sq yds cleared. No mines detonated. 4 machines serviceable.

3. Meteorological Detail.

- a. Rainfall. Trace.
- b. Prevailing Winds. East at 9 knots.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
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NUI DAT

24 May 70

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Situation Report (SITREP)
 From 230001H to 232400H

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

1. Operations Summarya. General

- (1) 1 ATF continues Operation TOAN THANG IV in the 1 ATF TAOR. HQ 1 ATF remains NUI DAT.
- (2) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Tp op in vic YS2273. One tp with road const Route 2. One tp at NDP BRIDGET.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. One sect remains with MCT. One sect with LCT. Tp op in vic YS2273. One tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. < contact and 26 A and I missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Sqn(-) remains deployed in sp 1 ATF ops. Road const continued Route 2, vic NGAI GIAO. Elms continue minefield clearance south of DAT DO.
- (6) 17 Const Sqn. Bridge const continued Route 23. Quarry team remained vic YS4453. Road const continues Route 44. Land clearing team continued vic LONG GREEN area centre of mass YS5459.
- (7) 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn(-) remained NUI DAT. One coy (-) remains in AO MAGIC west of NUI DINH. One pl op LONG SON Island.
- (8) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remained deployed with BHQ at HORSESHOE HILL. Two coys AO CATHY. One coy loc NDP BRIDGET vic YS5154. One coy deployed vic DAT DO.
- (9) 8 RAR. One coy in AO QUARTERMILE centre of mass YS4275. BHQ at FSPB LE LOI. Elms remain in AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops. Three coys remain in vic LONG DIEN/HOA LONG.

b. Plans Summary for period 240001H to 242400H May 70.

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Elms with MCT. Tp op in vic YS2273. Tp with road const on Route 2.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Sect with MCT. Sect with LCT. Tp op in vic YS2273. Tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (3) 1 Fd Sqn. Continues minefield clearance DAT DO. Continues road const Route 2. Sp inf bns.
- (4) 17 Const Sqn. Road const team and quarry team with inf elms remain vic YS4453. Land clearing team continues vic LONG GREEN.
- (5) 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn(-) remains NUI DAT. One coy(-) op west of NUI DINH in AO MAGIC. One pl remains LONG SON Island.
- (6) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remains HORSESHOE HILL. Coy loc at NDP BRIDGET. Two coys AO CATHY. One coy vic DAT DO.
- (7) 8 RAR. Bn(-) remains with one coy in AO QUARTERMILE. Three coys in vic HOA LONG/LONG DIEN. Elms remain at AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

c. Locations

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. HQ NUI DAT. 1 Tp ELIZABETH. 2 Tp BRIDGET, 3 Tp HORSESHOE. 4 Tp YS214786.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. HQ NUI DAT. 1 Tp NUI DAT, 2 Tp HORSESHOE, 3 Tp YS227740.
- (3) 1 ATF Artillery. HQ 4 Fd Regt NUI DAT. 106 Fd Bty HORSESHOE, 107 Fd Bty NUI DAT, 161 (NZ) Fd Bty LE LOI, C/2/35 US Arty NUI DAT, A/7/8 US Arty HORSESHOE.

(4) 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). HQ NUI DAT. A Coy, B Coy, C Coy and V Coy NUI DAT. W Coy ZILLA.

(5) 7 RAR. HQ HORSESHOE. A Coy YS514664. B Coy YS574671. C Coy BRIDGET. D Coy YS488580.

(6) 8 RAR. HQ LE LOI. A Coy NUI DAT - Element HOA LONG. B Coy LE LOI. C Coy YS439582. D Coy NUI DAT - Element HOA LONG.

(7) Mine Clearing Team. BRIDGET.

(8) Land Clearing Team. HORSESHOE.

(9) D&E Pl. YS227740,

(10) TEMA Pl. YS243754.

d. Contacts and Incidents.

(1) At 230916H at YS323643 3 Pl W Coy 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) contacted 2 en one dressed in black, one in green. Leading elms of pl caught fleeting glimpse of en at 50 - 75 m and sweep conducted without result. Mors fired on likely escapr routes to north and north east.

(2) At 231335H at YS547677 6 Pl B Coy 7 RAR located an 11 pit bunker system facing North/South, constructed in the last 2 weeks and occupied 1 - 2 weeks ago. 7 pits had OHP, and timber had been cut to provide OHP for the remainder. Whole area was 50m x 50m.

(3) At approx 230800H at YS507655 the Anti Tk pl of 7 RAR located a pair of blood stained shorts and bandages together with some med sups and RPG booster. Search of area failed to reveal any tracks

(4) Ref SITREP dated 23 May Para 1d(6), following itens recovered from installation captured by 1 Pl w Coy 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) at YS324658:
1 x SKS with grenade launcher, 6 x inertia grenades (Markings AT.TH60/4. 55/66Y), 6 x RPG rds, 2 warheads, 4 fuzes, 4 x RPG2 rds; 3 boosters. 4 x AK47 magazines full, 2 x AK47 pouches, 2 x M67 grenades, 1 x M61 grenade, 10 x CHICOM grenades, 10 x M16 mine iniators (3 prong), 5 x voltmeters, 4 x CHICOM explode devices, 1 x US Claymore with 3 leads, 1 switch, 50 x 7.62mm link rds, 48 x .45 rds, 500 x AK47 rds, small qty SKS rds, 12 x 7.62 mm blllistite rds, 2 x AK47 Ballistite rds, 35' det cord, 100' safety fuze, 20 x M79 rds, 120 x 1lb CHICOM explosives, 250 detonators(both electical and non-electrical), 2 x local pattern claymore, 1 x Aust collapseable water bag, 2 x entrenching tools, 1 pr ARVN boots, 17 x local pattern booby traps, (15 x pressure switch, 1 pull & 1 release switch) all under construction, 8 x factory produced pressure switches, 6 x smoke grenades, 7 x local pattern booby traps located around camp, 1 x satchel charge (20 lbs CHICOM expl), 1040lbs rice in 40 lb bags, 1 x medical kit containing small qty medical sups, qty clothing, batteries and webbing, qty docus in addition to those reported earlier. Itens all located in caves and under rocks.

(5) At 241500H at YS530664 3 Pl A Coy 7 RAR located an installation consisting of 5 x "T" shaped bunkers sited in mutual support, 9 weapon pits and 4 foxholes. Bunker had 2' CH and area had not been occupied for 1 week. A qty of medical supplies and docus were found in area. Installation to be destroyed 24 May.

(6) At 232145H at YS463807 elements of 1 Fd Sqn and B Sqn 3 Cav detected a light 300m south of NDP ELIZABETH L. Area engaged by .30 cal MC and light extinguished. 2 Tp A Sqn 1 Arm1 Regt illuminated area with white lights with nil results.

(7) At 232220H at YS402590 Pl from 8 Pl Coy 8 RAR engaged 2 enemy who fired SA in return. Arty illumination fired in support. Sweep located 1 lantern.

e. Results

(1) Friendly Losses

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

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(2) Enemy Losses

- (a) Personnel. Nil.
- (b) Materiel. See Para 1d(3)(4)&(5).

f. Small Unit Actions

- (1) Company - 3
Platoon - 2
Squad - 4
- (2) 1 SAS Sqn has 6 LRRPS deployed.
- (3) Small Unit Actions with contact: One.
- (4) Results. See Para 1d(1).

2. Combined Operations

a.b. Omitted.

c. Engineering Operations.

- (1) Mine Clearing Team. 16,000 squ metres stripped. No mines detonated.
- (2) Land Clearing Team. 110,000 squ metres cleared. No mines detonated.
4 machines serviceable.

3. Meteorological Detail

- a. Rainfall. 1 point.
- b. Prevailing Winds. East at 9 Kts.

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HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM
NUI DAT

25 May 70

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Situation Report (SITREP)
From 24001H to 242400H

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

1. Operations Summary

a. General

- (1) 1 ATF continues Operation TOAN THANG IV in the 1 ATF TAOR. HQ 1 ATF remains NUI DAT.
- (2) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. One Tp with road const Route 2. One tp at NDP BRIGET.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. One sect remains with MCT. One sect with LCT. One tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. In contact and 38 A and I missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Sqn(-) remains deployed in sp 1 ATF ops. Road const continued Route 2, vic NGAI GIAO. Elms continue minefield clearance south of DAT DO.
- (6) 17 Const Sqn. Bridge const continued Route 23. Quarry team remained vic YS4453, Road const continues Route 44. Land clearing team continued vic LONG GREEN area centre of mass YS5459.
- (7) 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn(-) remain NUI DAT. One coy (-) remains in AO MAGIC west of NUI DINH. One pl op LONG SON Island.
- (8) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remained deployed with BHQ at HORSESHOE HILL. Coy AO CATHY. One coy loc NDP BRIGET vic YS5154. One coy deployed vic DAT DO.
- (9) 8 RAR. One coy in AO QUARTERMILE centre of mass YS4275. BHQ at FSPB LE LOI. Elms remain in AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops. Three coys remain in vic LONG DIEN/HOA LONG.
- (10) Air Support.

TIME	REFERENCE	BDA
240928-0955	YS373750	2 Bnks destroyed, 1 bnk dam 20m trench destroyed.
241335-1405	YS392843	2 Bnks dest, 1 bnk dam, 4 bnks exposed.

b. Plans Summary for period 250001H to 252400H May 70

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Elms with MCT. Tp with road const on Route 2.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Sect with MCT. Sect with LCT. Tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (3) 1 Fd Sqn. Continues minefield clearance DAT DO. Continues road const Route 2. Sp inf bns.
- (4) 17 Const Sqn. Road const team and quarry team with inf elms remain vic YS4453. Land clearing team continues vic LONG GREEN.
- (5) 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn(-) remains NUI DAT. One coy(-) op west of NUI DINH in AO MAGIC. One pl remains LONG SON ISLAND.
- (6) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remains HORSESHOE HILL. Coy loc at NDP BRIGET. Two coys AO CATHY. One vic DAT DO.
- (7) 8 RAR. Bn(-) remains with one coy in AO QUARTERMILE. Three coys in vic HOA LONG/LONG DIEN. Elms remain at AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

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c. Locations

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. SHQ, 4 Tp NUI DAT, 1 Tp NDP ELIZABETH, 2 Tp NDP BRIDGET, 3 Tp HORSESHOE.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. SHQ, 1 Tp, 3 Tp NUI DAT, 2 Tp HORSESHOE.
- (3) 1 ATF Artillery. RHQ, 107 Fd Bty, C/2/35 Arty NUI DAT, 106 Fd Bty, A/7/8 Arty HORSESHOE, 161 (NZ) Fd Bty FSPB LE LOI.
- (4) 7 RAR. BHQ HORSESHOE, A Coy YS505668, B Coy YS574671, C Coy NDP BRIDGET, D Coy YS468613.
- (5) 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). BHQ, A Coy, B Coy, V Coy, D Coy NUI DAT, W Coy NDP ZILLA.
- (6) 8 RAR. BHQ, B Coy FSPB LE LOI, A Coy YS389640, C Coy LONG DIEN, D Coy NUI DAT.
- (7) Mine Clearing Team. NDP BRIDGET.
- (8) Land Clearing Team. HORSESHOE.

d. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 232330H at YS422623 elms of 10 Pl D Coy 8 RAR fired on 3 en who approached from the SW. Range on contact 150M. Sweep at first light revealed footprints in the area.
- (2) At 241100H at YS419750 5 Pl B Coy 8 RAR located a skeleton, probably resulting from a US contact.
- (3) At 242018H at YS412620 12 Pl D Coy 8 RAR loc an 81mm mor rd embedded in an anthill. Nearby was a list of explosives. The area is to be searched at 251000H by engineers.

e. Results.

- (1) Friendly Losses. Omitted.
- (2) Enemy Losses
 - (a) Personnel. 1 x VC KIA (Skeleton)
 - (b) Materiel. Nil.

f. Small Unit Actions

- (1) Company - 1
Platoon - 2
Squad - 5
- (2) 1 SAS Sqn has 8 LRRPS deployed.
- (3),(4). Omitted.

2. Omitted.

3. Meteorological Detail

- a. Rainfall. Nil.
- b. Prevailing Winds. 06 knots from SE.

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HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM
NUI DAT

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

26 May 70

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

1. Operations Summary

a. General

- (1) 1 ATF continues Operation TOAN THANG IV in the 1 ATF TAOR. HQ 1 ATF remains NUI DAT.
- (2) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Tp with road const Route 2. Tp at NDP BRIDGET.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Sect remains with MCT. Sect with LCT. Tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. contact and I and I missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Sqn(-) remains deployed in sp 1 ATF ops. Road const continued Route 2, vic NGAI GIAO. Elms continue minefield clearance south of DAT DO.
- (6) 17 Const Sqn. Bridge const continued Route 23. Quarry team remained vic YS4453. Road const continues Route 44. Land clearing continued vic LONG GREEN area centre of mass YS5459.
- (7) 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). Bn(-) remain NUI DAT. Coy (-) remains in AO MAGIC west of NUI DINH. Pl. op LONG SON Island.
- (8) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remained deployed with BHQ at HORSESHOE HILL. Two coys AO CATHY. Coy loc NDP BRIDGET vic YS5154. One coy deployed vic DAT DO.
- (9) 8 RAR. BHQ at FSPB LE LOI. Coy in AO QUARTERMILE. Elms remain in AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops. Three coys remain in vic LONG DIEN/HOA LONG.

b. Plans Summary for Period 260001H to 26 2400H May 70.

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Elms with MCT. Tp with road const on Route 2. Tp at NDP BRIDGET.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Sect with LCT. Sect with MCT. Tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (3) 1 Fd Sqn. Continues minefield clearance DAT DO. Continues road const Route 2. Sp infs. bns.
- (4) 17 Const Sqn. Road const team and quarry team with inf elms remain vic YS4453. Land clearing team continues vic LONG GREEN.
- (5) 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). Bn(-) deploys to AO WICKHAM centre of mass YS3269. Pl remains LONG SON Island.
- (6) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remains HORSESHOE HILL. Coy loc at NDP BRIDGET. Two coys AO CATHY. Coy vic DAT DO.
- (7) 8 RAR. Bn(-) remains with one coy in AO QUARTERMILE. Three coys in vic HOA LONG/LONG DIEN. Elms remain at AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

c. Locations.

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. SHQ NUI DAT, 1Tp ELIZABETH, 2Tp BRIDGET, 3Tp H'shoe.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. SHQ NUI DAT, 1Tp NUI DAT, 2Tp YS495561, 3Tp NUI DAT.
- (3) 1 ATF Artillery. RHQ NUI DAT, 106 Fd Bty H'shoe, 107 Fd Bty NUI DAT, 161 NZ Fd Bty FSPB LELOI, C/2/35 Arty NUI DAT, A/7/8 Arty HORSESHOE.

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- (4) 7 RAR. BHQ HORSESHOE, A Coy YS504679, B Coy YS574671, C Coy NDP BRIDGET, D Coy HORSESHOE.
- (5) 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). BHQ NUI DAT, A Coy NUI DAT, B Coy NUI DAT, V Coy NUI DAT, D Coy NUI DAT, W Coy NDP ZILLA.
- (6) 8 RAR. BHQ FSPB LE LOI, A Coy NUI DAT, B Coy YS434785, C Coy YS437588, D Coy NUI DAT.
- (7) Mine Clearing Team. NDP BRIDGET.
- (8) Land Clearing Team. HORSESHOE.

d. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 251115H at YS556670 5 Pl B Coy 7 RAR found one claymore and one chicom directional mine dug in at the base of an anthill. Search revealed nothing further.
- (2) At 251300H at YS590695 4 Pl B Coy 7 RAR found three sets of tracks through a paddi field approx 60m apart. Each track had been used by 10-15 pers moving south to north in the last 2-3 days.
- (3) At 251440H at YS441872 6Pl B Coy 8 RAR contacted 4 VC moving N to S. Results: 1 X WIA (Poss).

e. Results

- (1) Friendly Losses.
 - (a) Personnel. Nil
 - (b) Materiel. Nil
- (2) Enemy Losses
 - (a) Personnel. 1 X WIA (Poss).
 - (b) Materiel. 2 X directional anti personnel mines.

f. Small Unit Action

- (1) Company - Nil
Platoon - 3
Squad - 2
- (2) 1 SAS Sqn has 8 LRRPS deployed.
- (3) Small Unit Actions with contact: Nil
- (4) Results. Nil

2. Combined Operations

- a. Omitted.
- b. Omitted.
- c. Engineering Operations. MCT: 6X slots completed, 1X bund completed, 6X mines detonated. LCT: 180,000 sq yds cleared.

3. Meteorological Detail

- a. Rainfall 06 Pts.
- b. Prevailing Winds. 07 knots from SE.

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HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM
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27 May 70

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

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

1. Operations Summary

a. General

- (1) 1 ATF continues Operation TOAN THANG IV in the 1 ATF TAOR. HQ 1 ATF remains NUI DAT.
- (2) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE. Tp with road const Route 2. Tp at NDP BRIGET.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Sect remains with MCT. Sect with LCT. Tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. contact and A and Imissions were fired during the reporting period.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Sqn(-) remains deployed in sp 1 ATF ops. Road const continued Route 2, vic NGAI GIAO. Elms continue minefield clearance south of DAT DO.
- (6) 17 Const Sqn. Bridge const continues Route 23. Quarry team remained vic YS4453. Road const continues Route 44. Land clearing continued vic LONG GREEN area centre of mass YS5459.
- (7) 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). Bn(-) deployed AO WICKHAM centre of mass YS3269. Pl op LONG SON Island.
- (8) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remained deployed with BHQ at HORSESHOE HILL. Two coys AO CATHY. Coy loc NDP BRIGET vic YS5154. Coy deployed vic DAT FO.
- (9) 8 RAR. BHQ at FSPB LE LOI. Coy in AO KIPPER. Elms remain in AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops. Three coys remain in vic LONG DIEN/HOA LONG.

b. Plans Summary for Period 270001H to 272400H May 70.

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Elms with MCT. Tp with road const on Route 2. Tp at NDP BRIGET.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Sect with LCT. Sect with MCT. TP at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (3) 1 Fd Sqn. Continues minefield clearance DAT DO. Continues road const Route 2. Sp inf.bns.
- (4) 17 Const Sqn. Road const team and quarry team with inf elms remain vic YS4453. Land clearing team continues vic LONG GREEN.
- (5) 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). Bn(-) remains AO WICKAM. BHQ at FSB NOLA. Pl remains LONG SON Island.
- (6) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remains HORSESHOE HILL. Coy loc at NDP BRIGET. Two coys AO CATHY. Coy vic DAT DO.
- (7) 8 RAR. Bn(-) remains FSB LE LOI with one coy in AO KIPPER. Three coys in vic HOA LONG/LONG DIEN. Elms remain at AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

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c. Locations

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2 Tp BRIGID, 3 Tp HORSESHOE - 4Pl NUI DAT.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp NUI DAT, 2 Tp (-) H'SHOE, 3 Tp NUI DAT.
- (3) 1 ATF Artillery. RHQ NUI DAT, 106 Fd Bty H'SHOE, 107 Fd Bty NUI DAT, 161 Fd Bty (NZ) LE LOI, C/2/35 Arty NUI DAT, A/7/8 Arty H'SHOE.
- (4) 7 RAR. BHQ H'SHOE, A Coy 506685, B Coy 574671, C Coy BRIGID, D Coy H'SHOE.
- (5) 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). BHQ NUI DAT, A Coy 340635, B Coy 355651, C Coy NUI DAT, V Coy NOLA, W Coy ZILLA.
- (6) 8 RAR. BHQ FSFB LE LOI, A Coy R&C VT, B Coy 432790, C Coy 400724, D Coy NUI DAT.
- (7) MCT. BRIGID.
- (8) LCT. HORSESHOE.

d. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 260923H at YS312642 elms of HQ W Coy 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) contacted one en at a range of 100m without results. En wearing local dress (black pyjamas) and was moving North before contact, wdr South.
- (2) At 261300H at YS348647 elms of B Coy RAR/NZ (ANZAC) contacted one en moving South. From blood spots on ground it is assumed en were in area of LZ during LZ Preparation. En wdr NW fol contact. Nil results.
- (3) At approx 261520H at YS537561 7/C/7 RAR loc 4x4 gal drums each containing 30-40 lbs rice which smelled strongly of petrol.
- (4) At approx 261530H at YS515618 elms of the Land Clearing Team and B Sqn 3 Cav Regt loc 9x2 man 'L' shaped pits, 2 with OHP. Area was about 6 mths old and had not been recently used. Small qty clothing and cooking eqpt destroyed
- (5) At approx 261830H at YS514702 3/A/7 RAR loc a bunker system consisting of 15 bkrs, 20xU shaped pits and 40xone man pits. The system appeared approx 2 years old and had not been used for some time.
- (6) At 261615H at YS537560 7/C/7 RAR loc 1xM16 A/Pers mine lying on the ground.
- (7) At 261900H approx at YS539561 7/C/7 RAR loc a staging camp with 4 fighting pits last used 4 weeks ago.
- (8) At 261900H approx at YS539559 elms of 7/C/7 RAR loc a staging camp with 5 fighting pits last used 3 weeks ago.

e. Results

- (1) Omitted.
- (2) Enemy Losses.
 - (a) Personnel - Nil.
 - (b) Material - 120 lbs rice, 1xM16 mine, qty clothing and qty cooking utensils.

f. Small Unit Actions

- (1) Company - 1.
Platoon - 4.
Squad - 6.
- (2) 1 SAS Sqn has 8 LRRPS deployed.

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2. Combined Operations

a. Psychological Operations.

(1) Voice Mission. Conducted and targeted area E52-56, N70-75. Theme was CHIEU HOI. Broadcast time 1½ hours.

(2) Leaflet Drop. Conducted over areas E45-49, N48-54, E52-55, N70-75. Themes were CHIEU HOI and Pacification. 200,000 leaflets were dropped.

(3) Ground Activity. B Team loc and operating PHU MY.

b. Omitted.

c. Engineering Operations

(1) MCT. 2 x slots completed, 2 x bunds completed, 3 x mines detonated.

(2) LCT. 120,000 sq yds cleared.

3. Meteorological Detail

a. Rainfall. 17 points.

b. Prevailing Winds. 03 knots from SW.

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28 MAY 70

SUBJECT: Ground Commanders Situation Report (SITREP)
From 270001H to 272400H May 70

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

1. Operations Summary

a. General

- (1) 1 ATF continues Operation TOAN THANG IV in the 1 ATF TAOR. HQ 1 ATF remains NUI DAT.
- (2) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Tp with road const Route 2. Tp at NDP BRIDGET. Tp sps 2 RAR.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. Sect remains with MCT. Sect with LCT. Tp at HORSESHOE HILL. Sect sps 2 RAR.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. A contact and A and I missions were fired during the reporting period. Naval gunfire fired 9 observed msns and 30 A and I msns.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Sqn (-) remains deployed in sp 1 ATF ops. Road const continued Route 2, vic NGAI GIAO. Elms continue minefield clearance south of DAT DO.
- (6) 17 Const Sqn. Bridge const continues Route 23. Quarry team remained vic YS4453. Road const continues Route 44. Land clearing continued vic LONG GREEN area centre of mass YS5459.
- (7) 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). Bn (-) remains AO WICKHAM centre of mass YS3269. Pl op LONG SON Island.
- (8) 7 RAR. Bn (-) remained deployed with BHQ at HORSESHOE HILL. Two coys AO CATHY. Coy loc NDP BRIDGET vic YS5154. Coy deployed vic DAT DO.
- (9) 8 RAR. BHQ at FSPB LE LOI. Two coys in AO KIPPER. Elms remain in AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops. One coy remains in vic LONG DIEN/HOA LONG.
- (10) Air Support.

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b. Plans Summary for Period 280001H to 282400H May 70.

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Elms with MCT. Tp with road const on Route 2. Tp at NDP BRIDGET. Tp sps 2 RAR.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. Sect with LCT. Sect with MCT. Tp at HORSESHOE HILL. Sect sps 2 RAR.
- (3) 1 Fd Sqn. Continues minefield clearance DAT DO. Continues road const Route 2. Sp inf bns.
- (4) 17 Const Sqn. Road const team and quarry team with inf elms remains vic YS4453. Land clearing team continues vic LONG GREEN.
- (5) 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). Bn (-) remains AO WICKHAM. BHQ at FSPB NOLA. Pl remains LONG SON Island.
- (6) 7 RAR. Bn (-) remains HORSESHOE HILL. Coy loc at NDP BRIDGET. Two coys AO CATHY. Coy vic DAT DO.
- (7) 8 RAR. Bn(-) remains FSB LE LOI with three coys in AO KIPPER. One coy in vic HOA LONG/LONG DIEN. Elms remain in AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

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c. Locations.

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2 Tp BRIDGET, 3 Tp HORSESHOE.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp NUI DAT, TA13 NOLA, 2 Tp YS527603, TA22 BRIDGET, TA23 YS437589, 3 Tp NUI DAT.
- (3) 1 ATF Artillery. RHQ NUI DAT, 106 Fd Bty H'SHOE, 107 Fd Bty sect NOLA sect NUI DAT, 161 (NZ) Fd Bty LE LOI, C/2/35 US Arty NUI DAT, A/7/8 US Arty H'SHOE.
- (4) 7 RAR. BHQ H'SHOE, A Coy YS509688, B Coy YS574671, C Coy BRIDGET, D Coy H'SHOE.
- (5) 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). BHQ FSPB NOLA, A Coy YS349647, B Coy YS358658, C Coy YS294659, V Coy YS347710, W Coy ZILLA.
- (6) 8 RAR. BHQ FSPB LE LOI, A Coy NUI DAT, B Coy YS432790, C Coy YS397722, D Coy NUI DAT.
- (7) MCT. NDP BRIDGET.
- (8) LCT. HORSESHOE.

d. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 270730H at YS455761 the Anti-Tk Pl/8 RAR based on information provided by a civilian informant located 2xM3A1 mines which had been laid about 6 months ago. Both were destroyed in situ.
- (2) At 270639H at YS533573 elms of 7/C/7 RAR sighted 3 en wearing packs: Results: 1 VC KIA (BC), 2 VC FW, 2 packs containing clothing, 1xM26 gren, qty docus, 1xPPSH sub-machine gun 1955 model, 1xM1 carbine CIA.
- (3) At 271015H at YS471693 a base ptl from 2 RAR heard voices and movement from an estimated 2-3 people. The people moved rapidly South before the ptl sighted them.
- (4) During the day elms of A/7 RAR located bunker systems as fol:
 - (a) YS516693, 5 bunkers, circular layout, 3' OHP. 1 fighting pit, 1 comms trench 8' deepx10' long in area 50Mx50M, sentry posts on creek line and track, river 35M SW. Occupied by pl 3 weeks ago. Built 18 months ago, very good condition.
 - (b) YS516689, 18 bunkers with crawl trench around perimeter connecting all bunkers. Area 100Mx50M. Sentry pits 100M away. Built and last used about 2 years ago.
 - (c) YS500690, 6 fighting pits, no OHP, not used for 6-12 months.
 - (d) YS501692, 12 fighting pits, no OHP, 6-12 months old.
- (5) At 271200H at YS337652 3/W/2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) located a 50Mx50M staging camp containing 8 hammock spaces adjacent to a stream. A North/South track ran through the posn. Area last used 2-3 days ago. Envelope found in area dated 22 May.
- (6) At 271300H at YS534558 7/C/7 RAR located a staging camp 30Mx100M containing 7 pits with 18" OHP in a linear NE/SW layout, plus 2 wells next to a creek. Airstrike on area previously had exposed 2 bunkers and damaged the remainder.
- (7) At 271429H at YS325695 a tank from 4 Tp 1 Armd Regt hit a 5-10lb pressure mine buried an estimated 30". No casualties or damage. A search of the area by Engineers did not reveal any further mines.
- (8) At 271530H at YS348706 2/V/2 RAR loc an unexploded CBU which was destroyed in situ.
- (9) At 271610H at YS521660 the LCT loc a bunker system with 15 bunkers all in poor condition and not used for 6 months. Destroyed by bulldozer.
- (10) At 271330H at YS351701 2/V/2 RAR sighted 1 VC at a distance of 400M. En was not engaged because of distance. A sweep was conducted through the

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the area of the sighting which revealed nothing.

(11) At 272040H at YS294659 9/C/2 RAR contacted 2 en moving N-S along a track using torches. Results: 2 VC KIA (BC), 1xAK47 and 1xM1 carbine, qty docus CIA.

e. Results.

(1) Friendly Losses.

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

(2) Enemy Losses.

- (a) Personnel. 3 VC KIA (BC), 2 PW.
- (b) Material. 1xAK47, 2xM1 carbine, 1xPPSH sub machine gun, qty docus, 2xM3A1 mines, 1xM26 gren.

f. Small Unit Actions.

- (1) Company - Nil.
Platoon - 3
Squad - 6
- (2) 1 SAS Sqn has 6 LRRPS deployed.
- (3) Small Unit Actions with contacts: Nil.
- (4) Results: Nil.

2. Combined Operations.

a. Psychological Operations.

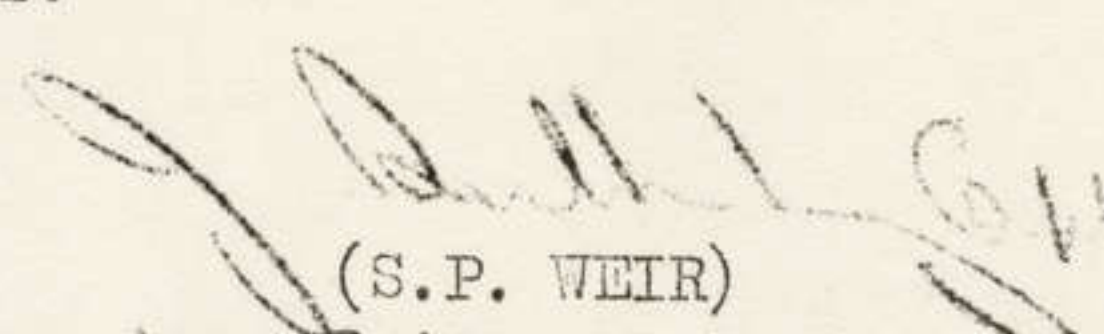
- (1) Voice Missions. Conducted and targeted over areas E53-62, N57-60; E57-60, N64-70. Theme was Chieu Hoi. Broadcast time was 2½ hrs.
- (2) Leaflet Drop. Conducted and targeted over area E57-60, N71-78. Themes were Chieu Hoi and Pacification. 240,000 leaflets were dropped.
- (3) Ground Activity. Team loc and op at SUOI NGHE, BINH BA, NGAI GIAO. Conducted ground propaganda and face to face meetings.

b. Engineering Operations.

- (1) MCT. 3xbunds completed, 2xmines detonated.
- (2) LCT. 220,000 sq yds cleared.

3. Meteorological Detail.

- a. Rainfall. 5 points.
- b. Prevailing Winds. 03 knots variable.


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29 MAY 70

SUBJECT: Ground Commanders Situation Report (SITREP)
From 280001H to 282400H May 70
TO: Commanding General
II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: AVFBC-RE

1. Operations Summary

a. General

- (1) 1 ATF continues operations TAON THANG IV in the 1 ATF TAOR. HQ 1 ATF remains NUI DAT.
- (2) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Tp with road const Route 2. Tp at NDP BRIDGET. Tp sps 2 RAR.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. Sect remains with MCT. Sect with LCT. Tp at HORSESHOE HILL. Sect sps 2 RAR.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. Nil contact and 22 A and I missions were fired during the reporting period. Naval gunfire 10 observed msns and 63 A and I msns.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Sqn (-) remains deployed in sp 1 ATF ops. Road const continues Route 2, vic NGAI GIAO. Elms continue minefield clearance south of DAT DO.
- (6) 17 Const Sqn. Bridge const continues Route 23. Quarry team remained vic YS4453. Road const continues Route 44. Land clearing continues vic LONG GREEN area centre of mass YS5459.
- (7) 2RAR/NZ(ANZAC), Bn (-) remains AO WICKHAM centre of mass YS3269. Pl op LONG SON Island.
- (8) 7 RAR. Bn (-) remains deployed with BHQ at HORSESHOE HILL. Two coys AO CATHY. Coy loc NDP BRIDGET vic YS5154. Coy deployed vic DAT DO.
- (9) 8 RAR. BHQ at FSPB LE LOI. Three coys in AO KIPPER. Elms remain in AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops. One coy remains vic LONG DIEN/HOA LONG.

b. Plans Summary for Period 290001H to 292400H May 70.

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Elms with MCT. Tp with road const on Route 2. Tp at NDP BRIDGET. Tp sps 2 RAR.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. Sect with LCT. Sect with MCT. Tp at HORSESHOE HILL. Sect sps 2 RAR.
- (3) 1 Fd Sqn. Continues minefield clearance DAT DO. Continues road const Route 2. Sp inf bns.
- (4) 17 Const Sqn. Road const team and quarry team with inf elms remains vic YS4453. Land clearing team continues vic LONG GREEN.
- (5) 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). Bn (-) remains AO WICKHAM. BHQ at FSPB NOLA. Pl remains LONG SON Island.
- (6) 7 RAR. Bn (-) remains HORSESHOE HILL. Coy loc at NDP BRIDGET. Two coys AO CATHY. Coy vic DAT DO.
- (7) 8 RAR. Bn (-) remains FSB LE LOI with three coys in AO KIPPER. One coy in vic HOA LONG/LONG DIEN. Elms remain in AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

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c. Locations

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. SHQ NUI DAT. 1 Tp ELIZABETH. 2 Tp BRIDGET. 3 Tp HORSESHOE HILL. 4 Tp NOLA.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. SHQ NUI DAT. 1 Tp NUI DAT. TA13 NOLA. 2 Tp NUI DAT. 3 Tp YS520614. TA32 BRIDGET. TA33 LONG DIEN.
- (3) 1 ATF Artillery. RHQ NUI DAT. 107 Fd Bty NOLA. 106 Fd Bty HORSESHOE HILL. 161(NZ) Fd Bty LE LOI. C/2/35 US Arty NUI DAT. A/7/8 US Arty HORSESHOE HILL.
- (4) 7 RAR. BHQ HORSESHOE HILL. A Coy HORSESHOE HILL. B Coy YS574671. C Coy BRIDGET. D Coy HORSESHOE HILL.
- (5) 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). BHQ NOLA. A Coy YS349647. B Coy YS361660. C Coy YS299664. V Coy YS339725. W Coy ZILLA.
- (6) 8 RAR. BHQ LE LOI. A Coy YS403806. B Coy YS432790. C Coy YS397722. D Coy NUI DAT.
- (7) MCT. BRIDGET.
- (8) LCT. HORSESHOE.

d. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 280829 at YS514671 A/7RAR found 1x250lb UXB - destroyed in situ.
- (2) At 281034 at YS539559 7/C/7RAR found twelve four gallon drums each containing 50 lbs of rice. 400 lbs evac to HORSESHOE HILL remainder destroyed in situ.
- (3) At 280915 at YS306665 a possum sighted a bunker system. C/2 RAR located bunker system YS299664, 2 bunkers and 6 fighting pits, occupied this morning, wet personal clothing found, heavy secondary growth provides good cover from air.
- (4) At 281430 at YS525559 7/C/7RAR located a staging camp thirty to forty metres in diameter. One Z shaped bunker with 2' OHP. Occupied within last 48 hours. 1xM16 mine less outer shell and 1xfuze less det cap and prongs located.
- (5) At 281458 at YS328673 1/W/2RAR/NZ located 2xbangalore torpedoes. Will be destroyed on 29 May 70.
- (6) At 281400 at YS442852 1 Tp A Sqn 1 Armd Regt located six bunkers over an area of 250 metres. Possibly more bunkers in area. VR disclosed bunkers still in good condition. System to be investigated further.
- (7) At 281620 at YS525559 7/C/7RAR contacted 1xVC carrying 1xAK47. Sweep disclosed negative results.
- (8) At 282050 at YS343655 1/A/2RAR located a staging camp 80 to 100 metres long by 40 to 50 metres wide. Area able to accommodate up to 35 persons. Area last occupied one week ago, caretaker (one mar) departed about six hours ago. Quantity of documents captured.

e. Results.

- (1) Friendly Losses
 - (a) Personnel. Nil
 - (b) Material. Nil
- (2) Enemy Losses
 - (a) Personnel. Nil
 - (b) Material. 2xBangalore Torpedoes, 1xM16 mine.

f. Small Unit Actions

- (1) Company - 1
Platoon - 3
Squad - 6
- (2) 1 SAS Sqn has 5 LRRPS deployed.
- (3) Small Unit Actions with Contact: Nil.

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2. Combined Operations

- a. Psychological Operations. Omitted.
- b. RF Operations. Omitted.
- c. Engineering Operations.
 - (1) MCT. All stripping and bunds completed. Nil mines detonated.
 - (2) LCT. 250,000 sq. yds cleared.

3. Meteorological Detail

- a. Rainfall. Nil
- b. Prevailing Winds. 4 Knots from SSW.

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

30 May 70

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

1. Operations Summary

a. General

- (1) 1 ATF continues operations TOAN THANG IV in the 1 ATF TAOR. HQ 1 ATF remains NUI DAT.
- (2) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Tp with road const Route 2. Tp at NDP BRIDGET. Tp sps 2 RAR.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. Sect remains with MCT. Sect with LCT. Tp at HORSESHOE HILL. Sect sps 2 RAR.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. contact and A and I missions were fired during the reporting period. Naval gunfire observed msns and A and I msns.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Sqn (-) remains deployed in sp 1 ATF ops. Road const continues Route 2, vic NGAI GIAO. Elms continue minefield clearance South of DAT DO.
- (6) 17 Const Sqn. Bridge const continues Route 23. Quarry team remained vic YS4453. Road const continues Route 44. Land clearing continues vic LONG GREEN area centre of mass YS5459.
- (7) 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn (-) remains AO WICKHAM. Pl op LONG SON Island.
- (8) 7 RAR. Bn (-) remains deployed with BHQ at HORSESHOE HILL. Two coys AO CATHY. Coy loc NDP BRIDGET. Coy deployed vic DAT DO.
- (9) 8 RAR. BHQ at FSPB LE LOI. Three coys in AO KIPPER. Elms remain in AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops. One coy remains vic LONG DIEN/HOA LONG.
- (10) Air Support.

<u>TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>BDA/REPORT</u>
290850 - 290858	YS712821	2 BKRS DEST, 1 LIVING AREA EXPOSED.

b. Plans Summary for Period 300001H to 302400H May 70

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Elms with MCT. Tp at NDP BRIDGET. Tp sps 2 RAR.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. Sect with LCT. Sect with MCT. Tp at HORSESHOE HILL. Sect sps 2 RAR.
- (3) 1 Fd Sqn. Continues minefield clearance DAT DO. Sp inf Bns.
- (4) 17 Const Sqn. Road const team and quarry team with inf elms remains vic YS4453. Land clearing team continues vic LONG GREEN.
- (5) 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn (-) remains AO WICKHAM. BHQ at FSPB NOLA. Pl LONG SON Island returns to NUI DAT.
- (6) 7 RAR. Bn (-) remains HORSESHOE HILL. Coy loc at NDP BRIDGET. Two coys AO CATHY. Coy vic DAT DO.
- (7) 8 RAR. Bn (-) remains FSPB LE LOI with three coys in AO KIPPER. One coy in vic HOA LONG/LONG DIEN. Elms remain in AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

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c. Locations.

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. BHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2 Tp BRIGET, 3 Tp H'SHOE
4 Tp NOLA.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp NUI DAT, 2 Tp NUI DAT, 3 Tp H'SHOE.
- (3) 1 ATF Artillery. BHQ NUI DAT, 106 Fd Bty H'SHOE, 107 Fd Bty NOLA, 161 (NZ)
Fd Bty LE LOI, C/2/35 Arty NUI DAT.
- (4) 7 RAR BHQ H'SHOE, A Coy YS472598, B Coy YS563678, C Coy YSBRIGET, D Coy
YS494571.
- (5) 2RAR/NZ (ANZAC) BHQ NOLA, A Coy YS344638, B Coy YS361660, C Coy YS299667
V Coy YS336730, W Coy ZILLA.
- (6) 8 RAR BHQ LE LOI, A Coy YS394786, B Coy YS432790, C Coy YS397722, D Coy
NUI DAT.
- (7) MCT - BRIGET.
- (8) LCT - H'SHOE

d. Contacts and Incidents.

- (1) At 290840H at YS415804, 3pl A Coy 8 RAR found a human skull approx 6mths
old.
- (2) At 290910H at YS423573, elms of 17 Const Sqn loc a M16 mine.
- (3) At 290959H at YS518553, 7 pl C Coy 7 RAR found a staging area 30mtrs by
50mtrs, a collapsed bnk and one bnk 12' x 12' x 4'6" with 2' OHP. Last used one
week ago. Bnks destroyed.
- (4) At 290800H at YS402802 1pl A Coy 8 RAR found bnks system covering area
approx 60 mtrs x 100 mtrs of 15 pits/bnks with rectangular and surrounded by
fighting pits. Bnks had bamboo canopy and were occupied 9-12 mths ago. Bnks had
been partially destroyed by air strikes and arty but some bnks still usable.
- (5) At 291830H at YS333652 3 pl W Coy 2 RAR contacted two en assumed. Local
force, one dressed in green and one in black. En were N before contact and wdr
S and E .
- (6) At 291653 at YS309668 8 pl C Coy 2 RAR detonated a mine, suspected to have
been pressure detonated. Res : 2 Aust KIA, 3 Aust WIA.
- (7) At 291010H at YS338656 3pl W Coy 2 RAR detonated two Chicom grenades
attached to a tree with a trip wire at 1 to 2 in above ground. Res: 1 NZ KIA
1 NZ WIA.
- (8) At 291200H at YS517550 7 pl C Coy 7 RAR found a tunnel and hide approx 6'
x 4' with 2' OHP, approx 3mths old and not known when last used.

e. Results.

- (1) Friendly Losses.
 - (a) Personnel. 2 Aust KIA 1 NZ KIA
3 Aust WIA 1 NZ WIA
 - (b) Material. Nil
- (2) Enemy Losses.
 - (a) Personnel. 2 VC (BC)
 - (b) Material. 1xAK47, 1 Claymore Mine

f. Small Unit Actions.

- (1) Company - 1
Platoon + 3
Squad 6
- (2) 1 SAS Sqn has 3 LRRPS deployed.
- (3) Small Unit Actions with contact: Nil
- (4) Results Nil.

2. Combined Operations.

a. Psychological Operations. Nil

b. Ground Activity. MCT All stripping and changing completed. LCT - 200,000 sq
metres Cleared. Nil mines detonated.

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3. Meteorological Detail

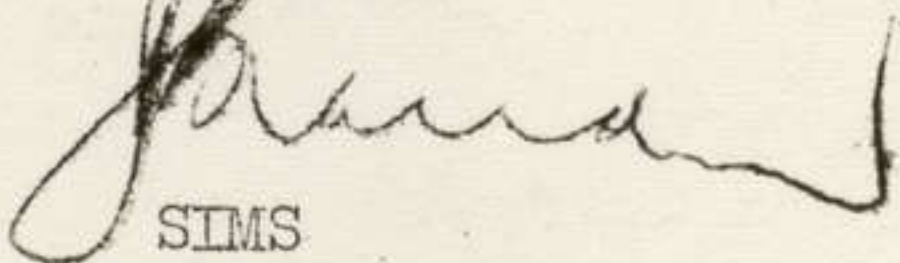
- a. Rainfall. Nil
- b. Prevailing Winds. Wind direction 150o Wind Speed 02 Knots.

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31 May 70

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Situation Report (SITREP)
From 300001H to 302400H May 70.

TO: Commanding General
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ATTN: AVFBC - RE

1. Operations Summary

a. General

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- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Sect remains with MCT. Sect with LCT. Tp at HORSESHOE HILL. Sect sps 2 RAR.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. 4 contact and 33A and I missions were fired during the reporting period. Naval gunfire observed msns and A and I msns.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Sqn(-) remains deployed in sp 1 ATF ops. Elms continue minefield clearance South of DAT DO.
- (6) 17 Const Sqn. Bridge const continues Route 23. Quarry team remained vic YS4453. Road const continues Route 44. Land clearing continues vic LONG GREEN area centre of mass YS5459.
- (7) 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). Bn(-) remains AO WICKHAM. BHQ loc at FSB NOLA.
- (8) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remains deployed with BHQ at HORSESHOE HILL. Two coys AO CATHY. Coy loc NDP BRIGID. Coy deployed vic DAT DO.
- (9) 8 RAR. BHQ loc at FSPB LE LOI. Three coys in AO KIPPER. Elms remain in AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops. One coy remains vic LONG DIEN/HOA LONG.

b. Plans Summary for Period 310001H to 312400H May 70

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Elms with MCT. Tp at NDF BRIGID. Tp sps 2 RAR.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Sect with LCT. Sect with MCT Tp at HORSESHOE HILL. Sect sps 2 RAR.
- (3) 1 Fd Sqn. Continues minefield clearance DAT DO. Sp inf bns.
- (4) 17 Const Sqn. Road const team and quarry team with inf elms remains vic YS4453. Land clearing team continues vic LONG GREEN.
- (5) 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). Bn(-) remains AO WICKHAM. BHQ at FSPB NOLA.
- (6) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remains HORSESHOE HILL. Coy loc at NDP BRIGID. Two coys AO CATHY. Coy vic DAT DO.
- (7) 8 RAR. Bn(-) remains FSPB LE LOI with three coys in AO KIPPER. One coy in vic HOA LONG/LONG DIEN. Elms remain in AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

c. Locations

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp YS397865, 2 Tp BRIGID, 3 Tp HORSESHOE, 4 Tp FSPB NOLA.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp YS397865, TA12 FSPB NOLA, Tp HORSESHOE, TA22 LONG DIEN, TA22A HORSESHOE.

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(3) 1 ATF Artillery. RHQ NUI DAT, 106 Fd Bty HORSESHOE, 107 Fd Bty FSPB NOLA, 161 (NZ) Fd Bty- Sect FSPB LE LOI, Sect KYLIE, C/2/35US Arty NUI DAT, A/7/8 US Arty HORSESHOE.

(4) 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) BHQ FSPB NOLA, A Coy YS342638, B Coy YS361660, C Coy YS305664, V Coy YS325717, W Coy ZILLA.

(5) 7 RAR. BHQ HORSESHOE, A Coy YS488579, B Coy YS563678, C Coy BRIGID, D Coy HORSESHOE.

(6) 8 RAR. BHQ FSPB LE LOI, A Coy YS394904, B Coy 411904, C Coy YS372900, D Coy NUI DAT.

(7) LCT. HORSESHOE.

(8) MCT. BRIGID.

d. Contacts and Incidents.

(1) At 291500H at YS321697 V/2 RAR/NZ located 10 circular bkrs with 12" to 14" of OHC. The bkrs were well camouflaged but in poor condition with rotten timber. They were estimated to be 12 mth old, last used 4 weeks ago, Bkrs were destroyed by demolition charges.

(2) At 291530H at YS320697 3/V/2 RAR/NZ located 8 circular bkrs with 14" OHC and open fighting bays covering an area 50mX50m, The bkrs had been hastily vacated 4 weeks ago but 1 bkr on high ground had been used recently. The following items were found and destroyed: 10 cooking tins, 1 water bottle, 2 X 1 gall plastic containers, 1 small set of scales.

(3) At 291830H at YS347710 a clearing ptl from Atk Pl contacted 2 VC wearing green shirts and black trousers; one was carrying a satchel. A sweep revealed mine laying signs but no mines were found. Arty and mortars engaged possible withdrawal routes.

(4) At 300200H at FSPB NOLA 1 VC was engaged by a sentry who heard movement coming towards him. A sweep revealed nothing.

(5) At 292110 at FSPB LE LOI elms of 8 RAR engaged a light on their perimeter with unk results.

(6) At 292130H at YS455764 Atk pl/8 RAR contacted 2 VC who were moving by the light of a torch. Area was illuminated by flares and en engaged by M60 and M79. A sweep revealed nothing.

(7) At 292130H at YS350710 4Tp/Armd Sqn noticed lights across the fire trail and engaged with 30mm.

(8) At 292200H at YS438526 a ptl from Aslt Pnr/8 RAR contacted approx 30 VC carrying AK47s and RPGs. En were moving East from area of LO VOI. On contact the en split into two gps and wdr using fire and movement. Contact initiated by claymores and SA at 40m. A sweep revealed 2 VC KIA, 8 heavy blood trails heading East and some towards LO VOI. There appeared to be 4 drag marks. Captured were: 1 AK47, 1 M16, 100 phials of penicilin and an extensive medical kit.

(9) At 292100H at YS427524 57PF Pl was ambushed by a squad of VC. 4 PF (KIA) 2 M16s missing.

(10) At 301322H at YS336657 elms of 2 RAR/NZ located 4 caves capable of holding 4-6 pers. Last used 24 hrs ago. Sleeping platforms in caves and some medical supplies destroyed.

(11) At 301230H at YS346633 3/A/ 2 RAR/NZ loc 5 caves used approx 1 month ago. A constructed water point was also found. Mine markers were also found. At 1400H a mine suspected M16 was discovered at YS346632. Engrs to investigate.

(12) At 301350H at YS305665 a 20lb Atk Chicom mine was loc by the engr.

(13) At 301610H at YS344635 3/A/2 RAR/NZ located a small disused rice cache consisting of one empty wooden box 3'X2'X18". Box was buried in ground.

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(14) At 301520H at YS338656 2 RAR/NZ located a Trg camp consisting of two caves each capable of holding 10 persons. Area around caves includes an obstacle course, mine trg area and panji pit trg area. Area last occupied by main body 3-4 days ago caretaker party departed 24 hrs earlier. Located five trg mines M16 and small qty med supplies.

(15) At 301915H at YS356665 5/B/ 2 RAR/NZ sighted two columns of lights. Arty engaged and lights extinguished.

(16) At 302030H at NUI DAT 2 RAR (Rear) sighted lights in the area of YS452692. 2 RAR/NZ mortars engaged.

(17) At 301330H at YS372900 8 RAR located 17 bkrs (12 accommodation bkrs, 1 comd bkr, 1 RAR and 3 used as a kitchen). Complex was about one month old and occupied earlier today. Recovered was a qty of clothing, cooking utensils, webbing ammo, 1 X (US) SKS, 20 lbs rice, med supplies and q qty of docus.

e. Results.

(1) Omitted.

(2) Enemy Losses.

(a) Personnel: 2 KIA(BC)

(b) Material. 1 X AK47, 1 X M16, qty med sups, 1 X 20lb Chicom mine.

f. Small Unit Actions.

(1) Company - 1

Platoon - 3

Squad - 6

(2) 1 SAS Sqn has NIL LRRPs deployed.

(3) Small Unit Actions with contact: Nil.

(4) Results. Nil.

2. Combined Operations

a. Psychological Operations.

(1) Voice Missions

(a) 29 May 70. Conducted and targeted over area E52-57, N80-82, E49-54, N82-86. Theme was Chieu Hoi. Broadcast time 1 hour.

(b) 30 May 70. Last night and this morning centres of mass 3170 and 5481 against Chau Duc elms. Themes: decisive and exploitation of recent Hoi Chanhs.

(2) Ground Team. Working in HOA LONG and HOI MY.

b. Omitted.

c. Engineering Operations.

(1) LCT. Cleared 180,000 sq miles.

(2) MCT. Mine clearing complete-returning to NUI DAT on 31 May 70

3. Meteorological Detail.

a. Rainfall. Nil.

b. Prevailing Winds. 5 knots at 80 degrees.

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HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM
NUI DAT

1 Jun 70

SUBJECT: : Ground Commander's Situation Report (SITREP)
From 310001H to 312400H May 70.

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

1. Operations Summary

a. General

- (1) 1 ATF continues operations TOAN THANG IV in the 1 ATF TAOR. HQ 1 ATF remains NUI DAT.
- (2) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Tp sps 7 RAR in AO CATHY. Tp at NDP BRIGID. Tp sps 2 RAR. Tp with road const Route 2.
- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Sect remains with MCT. Sect with LCT. Tp sps 7 RAR in AO CATHY. Sect sps 2 RAR.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. / contacts and 75A and I missions were fired during the reporting period. Naval gunfire 5 observed msns and ~~NILA~~ and I msns.
- (5) 1 Fd Sqn. Sqn(-) remains deployed in sp 1 ATF ops. Elms continue minefield clearance South of DAT DO. Continues road const Route 2.
- (6) 17 Const Sqn. Bridge const continues Route 23. Quarry team remained vic YS4453. Road const continues Route 44. Land clearing continues vic LONG GREEN area centre of mass YS5459.
- (7) 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn(-) remains AO WICKHAM. BHQ loc at FSPB NOLA.
- (8) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remains deployed with BHQ at HORSESHOE HILL. One coy AO CATHY. Coy loc NDP BRIGID. Two coys deployed vic DAT DO.
- (9) 8 RAR. BHQ loc at FSPB LE LOI. Three coys in AO KIPPER extended. Elms remain in AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops. One coy remains vic LONG DIEN/HOA LONG.

b. Plans Summary for Period 010001H to 012400H Jun 70

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Elms with MCT. Tp at NDP BRIGID. Tp sps 2 RAR. Tp with road const Route 2.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. Sect with LCT. Sect with MCT. Tp at HORSESHOE HILL. Sect sps 2 RAR.
- (3) 1 Fd Sqn. Continues minefield clearance DAT DO. Sp inf bns. Continues road const Route 2.
- (4) 17 Const Sqn. Road const team and quarry team with inf elms remain vic YS4453. Land clearing team continues vic LONG GREEN.
- (5) 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn(-) remains AO WICKHAM. BHQ at FSPB NOLA.
- (6) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remains HORSESHOE HILL. Coy loc at NDP BRIGID. One coy AO CATHY. Two coys vic DAT DO.
- (7) 8 RAR. Bn(-) remains FSPB LE LOI with three coys in AO KIPPER extended. One coy in vic HOA LONG/LONG DIEN. Elms remain in AO BENDIGO to sp quarry ops.

c. Locations

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. SQN HQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp YS397865, 2Tp BRIGID, 3Tp HORSESHOE, 4Tp NOLA.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt SQN HQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp R&C, 2Tp(-) HORSESHOE, 3Tp R&C.
- (3) 1 ATF Artillery RHQ NUI DAT, 161 (c/s30) LE LOI, 161(c/s30A) KYLIE, 107 NOLA, C/2/35 HORSESHOE, A/7/8 HORSESHOE, 106 (C/S 20) HORSESHOE, 106 (C/S 20A) DISCOVERY.

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(4) 7 RAR Bn HQ (-) HORSESHOE, A Coy YS492567, B Coy YS563678, C Coy BRIDGID, D Coy YS577736.

(5) 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC). Bn HQ (-) FSPB NOLA, A Coy YS342638, B Coy YS361660, C Coy YS305663, V Coy YS326717, W Coy ZILLA.

(6) 8 RAR. Bn HQ (-) FSPB LE LOI, A Coy YS392898, B Coy YS412905, C Coy YS372900, D Coy NUI DAT.

d. Contacts and Incidents.

(1) At YS372900 on the edge of a bkr system found by C/8 RAR at 301330H (1 ATF SITREP dated 31 May 70 para 1.d.(17) refers) three graves, one of which was dug yesterday, were located. An additional 100lbs of rice were also found.

(2) At YS547575 at 311204H May 70 8/C/7 RAR contacted 4 LF VC. Results: 2VC KIA (BC) 1 WIA poss (Hy BT), 1 Garand, small qty med sups and docus CIA. Nil friendly cas.

(3) At YS350641 at 311430H May 70, 2/A/2 RAR located a 155mm UXB. To be destroyed tomorrow.

(4) At YS430890. at 311310H May 70, 6/B/8 RAR found a grave one to two weeks old.

(5) At YS469661 at 311300H May a ptl from 2 RAR detained three young VN males, outside the civilian access area.

(6) At YS401637 at 312057H May ⁷⁰ a ptl from 8 RAR contacted 2VC who approached from the NW. Illum did not reveal any en cas. Sweep to be conducted first light.

e. Results

(1) Friendly Losses

(a) Personnel. Nil.

(b) Materiel. Nil.

(2) Enemy Losses

(a) Personnel 2 VC KIA (BC)

(b) Materiel 1 Garand, small qty med sups, 100lbs rice.

f. Small Unit Actions

(1) Company - 1

Platoon - 3

Squad - 6

(2) 1 SAS Sqn has 4 LRRPS deployed.

(3) Small Unit Actions with contact: Nil

2. Combined Operations

a. Omitted.

b.c. Omitted.

3. Meteorological Detail.

a. Rainfall. .19 inches.

b. Prevailing Winds. 271° at 3 knots

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ANNEX G TO COMMANDER'S DIARY OF HQ 1 ATF

FROM 1 MAY 70 TO 31 MAY 70

INTELLIGENCE REPORTS AND SUMMARIES ISSUED

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No. 121-70.
2. Period covered from 010001H to 012400H May 70.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were 7 contacts with Task Force Elements.

a. Ground Activity.

(1) AO PENNY

(a) (011320H) 11/D/7 RAR loc a qty of docus referring to rice collection points at YS579641 and YS580633. Later advice that this was lie by Bushman Scout.

Comment: Units would be well advised to avail themselves of G Int facilities.

(b) (301215H) At YS574672 elms of 7 RAR loc 13 pits with 1½ to 2ft OHP in an area 100Mx150M. Pits last used 6 months ago. Also found were 1 x flying fox across river and 1 x 175 shell with all explosive removed.

(2) AO TULIP.

(a) (010145H) At YS459893 elm of B Sqn 3 Cav engaged 2 VC with Neg results.

(3) Other Areas.

(a) Docus located during sweep of 7/C.7 RAR contact at YS487570 (INTSUM 120-70 Para 3a(2)(e) refers) indicate elms of D445.

(b) (010845H) At YS404746, 5/B/8 RAR sighted 15 VC moving north to south, Arty was fired and forced the en to backtrack. 10 en were then sighted and engaged by 5 Pl which resulted in 2 VC KIA(BC) and 1 VC WIA. The remaining en continued south. At 011000H 3 VC were sighted and engaged by 4/B/8 RAR resulting in 1 VC KIA(BC) and 1 weapon CIA. The remainder wdr south west. Total results: 3 VC KIA(BC), 1 VC WIA(Heavy blood trail), 1 x Garand rifle, 4 packs, 3 lbs polished rice, qty med supplies, 9 sets civilian clothing, 1 x torch and a qty of docus CIA.

Comment: Wpns and descriptions indicate BINH BA Guerillas. One KIA tentatively ident as Sec BINH BA Party Chapter, the most influential VCI in this area.

(c) (011410H) At YS398748, 4/B/8 RAR contacted 1 en while sweeping area of contact at 011000H. Res 1 VC KIA(BC), a qty of .30 cal ammo, 2 packs, a qty of med supplies, a qty of rice and a qty of docus CIA.

(d) (011503H) At YS643915 SAS Ptl 11 sighted and engaged 2 en resulting in 1 VC KIA(BC), 1 VC WIA. Ptl wdr and sighted 4 more en which Bushrangers engaged resulting in 2 VC KBA (poss).

(e) (011600H) At YS400748 4/B/8 RAR loc and destroyed in an en camp various bags and plastic containers with 70 x AK47 rds, qty clothing, cooking utensils, 30 lb rice, 5 lb salt, 3 lb sugar, nuts and dried fruits, 5 gals fish oil, qty of tobacco, 1 x wood saw, 1 x machete, 2 x large bags of mangoes.

(f) (011950H) At YS478581 3/A/8 RAR contacted est 30-40 en. Have received incoming RPG. No further info avail. 1 Aust WIA.

(g) (012150H) At YS403633 elms 8 RAR received SA fire from South West from an unknown number of en. Results so far: 1 en KIA(BC), 1 AK47 CIA.

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b. Air Activity.

(1) Omitted.

(2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See Annex E.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a. Total KIA occurring during this reporting period.

(1) Omitted.

(2) Aust inflicted - 7 VC.

(3) Omitted.

b,c. Omitted.

d. Enemy Ammunition Expenditure.

(1)(2)(3)(4) Omitted.

(5) RPG2 -)

(6) RPG7 -) 30-40.

e. Enemy Weapons and Materiel Captured or Destroyed.

(1) Captured Weapons.

(a) Individual - 2

(b) Crew Served - Nil.

(c) Breakdown - 1 x Garland Rifle, 1 x AK47.

(2) Captured and Destroyed Material

(a) Captured: 6 x packs, 9 x sets civilian clothing, 1 x torch, qty med supplies, qty docus, qty .30 cal ammo.

(b) Destroyed: Various bags and plastic containers with 70 AK47 rds, qty clothing, cooking utensils, qty tobacco, 1 x wood saw, 1 x machete.

(3) Captured and Destroyed Foodstuff.

<u>CO-ORD</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>DISPOSITION</u>
YS400748	Rice	30 lb	Destroyed
"	Salt	5 lb	"
"	Sugar	3 lb	"
"	Nuts and	unk	"
	Dried fruit		
"	Fish oil	5 gals	"
"	Mangoes	2 x large bags	"
YS404746	Polished	3 lb	"
	rice		

(4)(5) Omitted.

f. Cumulative Total for Month

(1) KIA - 7 VC.

(2)(3)(4) Omitted.

(5) Individual Weapons - 2.

(6)(7)(8)(9) Omitted.

5,6,7. Omitted.

8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 16/70 dated 28 Apr 70.

9, 10. Omitted.

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11. Miscellaneous.

a. Omitted.

b. Corrections to Previous INTSUMS.

(1) Ref INTSUM 120/70:

(a) Para 4 f (6) amend to read 3.

c,d,e. Omitted.

f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

(1) (302330H) At YS482595 RD Cadre 16 sighted and engaged VC with SA. Fire was not returned. Res unk.

(2) (01130H) At YS4284 C Coy 4/9(US) contacted 6-8 en. Res unk.

(3) (30 Apr 70) Arty engaged area YS465539. Res 2 bunkers damaged. Small camp site exposed.

(4) (011750H) Sector reports a Coy of en at YS550637 moving South West, believed to be going to attack Eastern kamlets of DAT DO South opp Route 23.

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Attachments:

ANNEX A - Interrogation Reports.

ANNEX B - Captured Documents.

ANNEX E - Aerial Reconnaissance.

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ANNEX A (Interrogation Reports)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 121/70.
dated 1 May 70.

INTERROGATION REPORT

PW PHI DUC THINH

Biographical Data

1. Name PHI DUC THINH
- Aka NGUYEN DUC THINH
- D/POB 1943 DONG HOA NVN
- Rank/Appt Aspirant Asst Pol Offr.
- Unit A3 of VUNG TAU City Unit

Capturing Data

2. Capturing Unit RF LONG DIEN
- Date 26 Apr 70
- Circumstances Wounded in a contact with 3/A/8 RAR at YS415625 on 26 Apr 70.
and captured later that day by the RF.

Exploited Info

3. VUNG TAU City Party Committee
 - Secretary SAU YEN
 - Asst Secretary LE TAN
 - Location Subject states that the location is probably in the vic of YS349679.
4. VUNG TAU City Unit
 - a. HQ and Admin Office

Strength approx 35.

Location: Normally located in various base camps in the NUI DINH. At present in the vicinity of YS338683.
 - b. A31 Infantry Unit.

Strength about 105 (1/3 are NVA).

Location: MINH DAM area exact location unknown.
 - c. A35 Unit.

Strength about 90.
 - d. A32 Unit.

Strength: About 115 (nearly all are NVA).

Location: In the area of NUI TOC THIEN, exact GR unknown.
5. Future Plans VUNG TAU City Unit (Spring-Summer 70)
 - a. A31, A32, A35. Are to cause disorder in the ranks of the enemy (Allied/GVN) forces by attacking the training centres, villages and hamlets, pacification cadres and usual development cadres in VUNG TAU.
 - b. A34 (LONG SON Village Unit). To destroy civilian installations of the GVN on LONG SON and to infiltrate and organize secret guerillas in such groups as, youths, females and farmers.

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Comment: The subject is a North Vietnamese soldier and an assistant Political Officer and has been extremely uncooperative. Documents captured on the subject give the strength A31 as 19 (compared to the subjects 105) and A32 as 50 (compared to the subjects 115). It appears that the subject is lying about the strengths of the VUNG TAU Units and therefore little credibility can be given to the possible locations of the units as stated by the subject. Further interrogation will be carried out to confirm or disprove his statements.

ANNEX B (Captured Documents)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 121/70
Dated 1 May 70

CAPTURED DOCUMENT REPORT

1. Documents captured by 11/D/7 RAR at YS582702 at 011053H May 70 contain no information of intelligence value.
2. Documents captured by 10/D/7 RAR at YS584708 at 011045H May 70 included the following:
 - a. A number of envelopes addressed to C3/D445 the latest dated 2 Apr 70.
 - b. A letter from SAU THU to NAM telling of the amount of rice he has prepared for NAM. He asked THANH to go to PHUOC BUU to get back the AK belonging to C3 which had been lent to the village - undated.
 - c. A letter to Province Rear Services Sect stating that the Province group arrived in Area 1 on 1 Apr 70, started to carry rice on 2 Apr 70 and finished on 10 Apr 70. The total rice carried was 1736 litres.
 - d. A letter to HAI KHANH and TU OANH from PHAN THANH HA dated 6 Apr 70 stating that half a sect of C6 was sent to an area to collect rice. If SAU THU had not returned by 1400H D (possibly BHQ) and C6 should collect rice at LONG TAN hamlet and LONG DIEN village.

Comments: ORBAT has received reports that SAU THU who was the Bn Comd of D445 was killed in early Feb 70, but these documents indicate that this is not correct. HAI KHANH is the present CO of D445 and PHAN THANH HA (aka HAI HA) is the Chief of Staff of BA LONG Province Unit. The documents are a further indication that at least C3 of D445 were in the area of AO PENNY in early Apr 70.

ANNEX E (Aerial Reconnaissance)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 121/70.
dated 1 May 70

1. Visual Recce.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>SIGHTING</u>
011430H	YS4551	Several tracks on sides of re-entrant show signs of Mov.
011700H	YS4651	
"	YS467514	A cave under rocks shows signs of recent Habitation. (Entrance and just inside scraped clean.
"	YS468518	Fresh tracks under treed area poss. Harbour dite.
011245H	YS518818	Very fresh track stops at creek in thick bamboo.
011450H		A few tins were scattered in area.
"	YS496798	An extremely fresh and recent heavily used track starts at this point, and runs NE just south of the 18.2 feature, crosses the creek At YS525812 and splits into two tracks at YS5229817.
010700- 010855	YS532785	About 12 fighting pits in area. Majority are quite fresh and could have been used in transit. There is no activity in the area at this time.

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No. 122-70.
2. Period covered from 020001H to 022400H May 70.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were two contacts with Task Force Elements.

a. Ground Activity

(1) AO PENNY

(a) (021423H) At YS557684 5/B/7RAR engaged two en at 100m with no results.

(2) Other Areas.

(a) Ref Intsum No 121-70 Para 3a(3)(f), further to contact by elms 3/A/8RAR, en carrying at least 10xAK47, 5xRPGs and LMG. En withdrew north and south. Results: 1xen KIA (BC), 1xAK47 CIA. A sweep at first light found 8xdrag marks leading towards DAT DO and another south. 2xwomens scarves, a biro pen and 1xAK47 plastic cover were also found.

(b) Ref Intsum No 121-70 Para 3a(3)(g), further to contact by elms 8RAR, en carrying 1xAK47, 1xRPG and single shot wpns. Results: 3 en KIA (BC), 1xAK47 and two full mags and 1xRPG Booster CIA.

(c) (021000H). At YS436891, 12/D/8RAR loc 10x105mm HE rds, not fired, with contents and fuzes missing.

(d) (021940H). At YS537780, elms B Sqn 3 Cav Regt engaged movement with arty sp. Results unknown.

b. Air Activity

(1) Aircraft receiving ground fire.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORDS</u>	<u>ALTITUDE</u>	<u>TYPE OF FIRE</u>	<u>*DAMAGE</u>	<u>**FRIENDLY RESPONSE</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
021130H	YS794708	Unk	SA	Nil	Gunships deployed	Unk

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a-d. Omitted.

e. Enemy Weapons and Materiel Captured or Destroyed

(1) Captured Weapons

- (a) Individual - 2
- (b) Omitted
- (c) Breakdown - 2xAK47.

(2) Captured and Destroyed Material.

(a) 1xAK47 plastic cover, 2xwomens scarves, 1xbiro pen, 1xRPG2 booster, 2xfull AK mags, 10x105mm rds. 1 AK 47.

f. Cumulative Totals for Month.

- (1) KIA 9 VC
- (2)-(4) Omitted
- (5) Individual Weapons - 2

5. New Obstacles, Barriers and Fortifications.

a. Omitted.

b. Enemy Emplaced Mines and Booby Traps.

(1) Destroyed by Friendly Forces.

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1xM16 detonated by elms 17 Const Sqn.

6. Enemy Unit Identification, Location and Movements.

- a. The female KIA by 5/B/8RAR at YS404746 at 010845H May 70 has been almost surely identified as NGUYEN THI THAI aka THI XUAN aka TU XUAN aka TU TIEN the Secretary of the BINH BA Party Chapter.
- b. The male KIA in the same contact as TU TIEN was possibly PHAM LE NGUYET of the BINH BA Village Unit.
- c. The female KIA by 4/B/8RAR at YS405739 at 011000H May 70 probably was THI THU the Security Member of the BINH BA Party Chapter.
- d. The docus captured in contact by 7/C/7RAR at YS487565 at 302050H indicate en incl members of C4 (Hy Wpns Coy)/D445.

7. Omitted.

8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 16-70 dated 28 Apr 70.

9-10. Omitted.

11. Miscellaneous.

a-e. Omitted.

f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

- (1) (021100H): At YS543872 an A/S was conducted on a base camp. Results: 30m trench uncovered, 1xbnkr destroyed.
- (2) (021115H): At YS656858 an A/S was conducted on a base camp. Results: 1xbnkr damaged, 1xfighting pit damaged, 1xbnkr exposed.
- (3) (021155H): At YS793708, an A/S was conducted with unknown results.

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ANNEX B - Captured Documents

ANNEX E - Aerial Reconnaissance.

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CAPTURED DOCUMENT REPORT

1. Documents captured by 1/A/8RAR at YS400634 at 012150 May 70 tentatively identify the KIA as HUYNH VAN CHINH of an unknown unit.
2. Documents captured by 7/C/7 RAR at YS487565 at 010630, three hundred metres from the contact at 302058H Apr 70 included the following:
 - a. Six commendation certificates for Nguyen Van Huu a Sect ldr of C4/D445 the latest dated Jun 69.
 - b. A commendation certificate for the mortar unit of B1/C4/D445.
3. Documents captured by 5/B/8 RAR at YS404746 at 010945 from two bodies included the following:
 - a. On a female body.
 - (1) Two rule books for the civilian revolutionary party,
 - (2) A receipt book belonging to the BA LONG Civilian Revolutionary Committee,
 - (3) A letter giving the results of the "High Point" from late Mar to Apr 70 signed by TRAN VAN KIEM (probably the commander of the Chau Duc Dist HQ) on 16 Apr 70,
 - (4) A book of codes signed by TRAN VAN LUONG (AKA BA LONG-- the secretary of the Chau Duc Party Chapter - KIA by D/8 RAR on 14 Apr 70) on 12 Dec 69
 - (5) A report on the situation for the period 1 Apr 70 to 20 Apr 70 issued by the BINH BA Party Chapter signed by TU XUAN, dated 21 Apr 70.
 - (6) A personal letter from TU XUAN, undated.
 - (7) Two instruction sheets addressed to all village Party Chapters signed by BUI THI THAO on 26 Mar 70 and 9 Apr 70 for the Chau Duc Party Committee.
 - (8) An instruction sheet addressed to TU XUAN signed by BUI THI THAO on 25 Jan 70. (See Para 6 to this Intsum).
 - b. On a Male Body.
 - (1) A quantity of propaganda leaflets
 - (2) A number of personal detail statements for 12 persons (most of which are held by ORBAT as members of the BINH BA Party Chapter and Guerilla Unit).
 - (3) An application to join the party signed by Pham Le Nguyet sent to the Party Chapter of Chau Duc.
 - (4) A nominal roll of six persons who have been killed (two of which are held as members of the BINH BA Party Chapter).
 - (5) Three achievement reports signed by MINH NGUYET.
 - (6) A personal letter from Vu (NFI) to NGUYET.
 - (7) A personal letter from MAI HONG to MINH NGUYET dated 7 Mar 70.
 - (8) An incomplete group members application for PHAM LE NGUYET.
 - (9) A commendation certificate for the BINH BA Sec Sect. From Prov Sec Sect.
 - (10) A personal letter from VAN LUC to NGUYET. (See Para 6 to this Intsum).
4. Documents captured by 4/B/8 RAR at YS405739 at 011000H May 70 in a pack on a female KIA, included the following:
 - a. A personal letter to Chi Hanh-undated
 - b. Four letters to THU, the latest dated 15 Apr 70.
 - c. A list of questions to be answered in the monthly report by the Village Security Section.
 - d. Two reports on GVN informers - unnamed.
 - e. A report on persons who have rallied to GVN in 6/70.

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5. Documents captured by 4/B/BRAR at YS700747 at 011530 in a camp included the following:

- a. A commendation letter for NGUYEN VAN NHUT of the BINH BA Village Unit - dated 30 Oct 66.
- b. Two commendation letters for PHAM of NGAI CIAC dated 17 Dec 66 and Jan 66.
- c. A promotion certificate for PHAM to Sect 2IC of the Ingr Recce Unit.
- d. A large number of accounts for food issued by the BINH BA Village Unit.
- e. A number of letters and reports on financial matters.

6. Documents captured by 4/B/BRAR at YS398748 at 011410H May 70 on a male body included the following:

- a. A personal letter to HAI from HONG - undated.
- b. A letter to HONG from VAN LUC (Luc is possibly a member of the BINH BA Village Unit).
- c. A book on medicines.
- d. A notebook on drugs.
- e. A letter to parents from HONG BUCNG - undated.
- f. A number of notes on medical matters.
- g. A sheet of poems.

ANNEX B (Aerial Reconnaissance)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 122/70
dated 2 May 70.

1. Visual Recce

<u>DTG</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>SIGHTING</u>
011540H-	YS562594	Old camp/bunker system, two bunkers damaged.
011800H	YS456526	Four bunkers in good condition.
020800H-	YS468510	Tracks on flat area around this area appear fresh and reasonably well used.
021045H	YS467495	1xcave entrance with fresh tracks and signs of activity. Cave is beneath very large rock.
	YS464534	Heavy track system, very fresh appearance. Two well defined breather holes appear newly constructed.
	YS463536	Complex of 5 cave entrances. Small constructions seen in two caves. Fresh track activity leading into area.
021300H-	YS587587	Bunker system previously A/S. Two bunkers destroyed, one bunker damaged.
021510H		
02 May 70	YS630794	Fresh track activity in clearing. Fresh digging in area of holes previously reported. Light track activity on old tracks in the area.

2. Omitted.

3. Red Haze Activity

<u>DTG</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>READOUT</u>
020225H	YS578864	1 emission in woods
	YS636889	2 emissions east of trail
	YS621883	7 emissions along stream.

4. Omitted

5. Omitted.

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2. Period covered from 030001H to 032400H May 70.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were three contacts with Task Force Elements.

a. Ground Activity

(1) AO PENNY

- (a) (030915H) At YS585661, 6/B/7 RAR located 4 male bodies. Persons died of GSW. (INTSUM 112/70 Para 3 a (1) (b) refers). Credited to B/7 RAR contact of 22 Apr 70 at YS574685.
- (b) (031015H) At YS571679, 4/B/7 RAR contacted 6 to 7 en who approached from the West and wdr West. VR ac from 161 Recce Flt in the vicinity of the above grid received ground fire prior to contact (nil damage). Res: 1 VC WIA (BT), 2 Aust WIA, a qty of docus, 70 rds of AK47 ammo, a qty of clothing, 50 lbs of rice, a qty of med supplies 1 AK47 mag and a qty of misc items were recovered. See Para 6 a.
- (c) (031545H) At YS583669, 6/B/7 RAR located 18 pits with 1½ ft to 2 ft OHP and 30 bunkers with 3 ft OHP which had been constructed 4-5 months ago and were last used 2-3 months ago.
- (d) (031700H) At YS587667, 6/B/7 RAR loc 8 pits capable of holding 15-20 men and 2 cookhouses, pits had 1½ ft OHP and had been constructed 2 weeks ago and last used 1 week ago.

(2) AO RAINSWORTH

- (a) (031100H) At YS586638, Aslt Pnr Pl 8 RAR loc 1 x US gren on a bridge, grenade had been in place approx 24 hours and was set up for comd detonation.

(3) AO TULIP

- (a) (031150H) At YS520899, elms of B Sqn 3 Cav Regt engaged 1 (poss more) en moving East with unknown results.

(4) Other Areas

- (a) (032000H) In the vic of YS475585, 3/A/8 RAR contacted an unknown number of VC. Res: En cas unk, 6 Aust WIA.

b. Air Activity

(1) Aircraft receiving ground fire.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORDS</u>	<u>ALTITUDE</u>	<u>TYPE OF FIRE</u>	<u>DAMAGE</u>	<u>FRIENDLY RESPONSE</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
031115H	YS569689	Unk	Unk	Nil	Nil	Nil

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a. Omitted.

b. Total KIA discovered during this reporting period that were killed but not reported in a previous period.

- (1) Omitted.
- (2) Aust Inflicted - 4 VC.
- (3) Omitted.

c.d. Omitted.

e. Enemy Weapons and Material Captured or Destroyed

- (1) Omitted.
- (2) Captured and Destroyed Material.
 - (a) Captured: See para 3 a (1) (b), 3 a (2) (a).
 - (b) Omitted.
- (3) - (5) Omitted.

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f. Cumulative Totals For Month.

- (1) KIA - 13 VC.
- (2) PW - Nil.
- (3) Hoi Chanh - Nil.
- (4) VCI - Nil.
- (5) Individual Weapons - 3.
- (6) Crew Served Weapons - Nil.
- (7) Rice Captured - Nil.
- (8) 122mm Rockets (complete) - Nil.
- (9) 107mm Rockets (complete) - Nil.

5. Omitted.

6. Enemy Unit Identification, Location and Movements.

a. Docus taken from a pack dropped following a contact by B/7 RAR at YS571679 on 031030H May 70 probably identify K6/A440.

b. Docus found by 10/D/7 RAR in a recently used camp at YS584708 on 021600H May 70 indicate the camp had probably been occupied by at least a pl of C1/D445 and all or part of C2/D445.

7. Omitted.

8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 16/70 dated 28 Apr 70.

9. 10. Omitted.

11. Miscellaneous.

a. Omitted.

b. Corrections to Previous INTSUMS.

(1) Reference INTSUM 121/70.

- (a) Para 3 a (3) (g) - delete all detail to results.
- (b) Para 4 a (2) - amend to read 5 VC.
- (c) Para 4 f (1) - amend to read 5 VC.
- (d) Para 4 e (1) (a) - amend to read 1.
- (e) Para 4 e (1) (c) - delete 1 x AK47.
- (f) Para 4 f (5) - amend to read 1.

(2) Reference INTSUM 122/70.

- (a) Para 4 f (5) - amend to read 3.

c. d. e. Omitted.

f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

(1) (2 May 70) Arty engaged area of YS455527. Res: 2 bunkers destroyed and 2 bunkers damaged.

(2) (2 May 70) Arty engaged area of YS457557. Res: 2 bunkers destroyed, 2 bunkers damaged, 1 bunker exposed and clothing scattered in the area.

(3) (031120H) At YS709878, USAF conducted an airstrike on an en base camp. Res: 2 large huts destroyed and 2 bunkers destroyed.

(4) (031315H) DAT DO Sub Sector reported DOAN THI DANG AKA MONG a member of Group 30 (transportation) BA LONG Province rallied to their loc. See ANNEX A for intg report.

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Attachments: ANNEX A - Interrogation Reports.
ANNEX E - Aerial Reconnaissance.

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ANNEX A (Interrogation Reports)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 123/70
dated 3 May 70.

INTERROGATION REPORT
RALLIER DOAN THI DANG

Unit: Gp 30 BA LONG Province (Transportation).

D/POB: 1945 HOA LONG, PHUOC TUY.

Circumstances of Return: In Gp 30 in area SONG RAI (YS554655) on rice tpt msn when subject escaped. States reasons for return as hardship, hunger and homesickness.

Exploited Info: Str of unit about 100 pers with a small protection gp. Between msns the unit normally camps in gen area of YS545005. Its role is to tpt munitions from the DONG NAI to BAO BINH area. The unit consists of three pls, two carry munitions and the third food supplies for the unit usually from BAO BINH Entry/Exit Point (about YS527026). Rice to be collected from BAO BINH was usually in bags awaiting collection. Occasionally rice supplies also carried from lower SONG RAI (possibly area YS554655 but further intg required).

Route fol to lower SONG RAI was in very gen terms:

From YS570970/575945 to YS5489/5482. Across SUOI TAMBO about YS5776, through jungle to another stream about YS5569 (possibly SUOI GIAU), then to SUOI LO O NHO about YS5467. Then to pick up pt about YS5565 on 30 Apr 70.

On this last msn about 100 litres of rice was waiting for tpt back to BA LONG. The unit left on 2 May to return and the subject rallied.

Comments: Further intg is required to estb more closely the route fol into PHUOC TUY and the amount of rice carried by Gp 30. The amount stated appears much too small for the gp involved. The info is probably reliable in substance; BA LONG has for some time been org rice sup in DAT DO District, using D445 for collection and Gp 30 to tpt back to the base area in LONG KHANH. Storage of rice sups is a pressing problem with the approach of the wet season and most efforts by VC in the province have been directed towards sup collection.

ANNEX E (Aerial Reconnaissance)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 123/70
dated 3 May 70.

1. Visual Recce

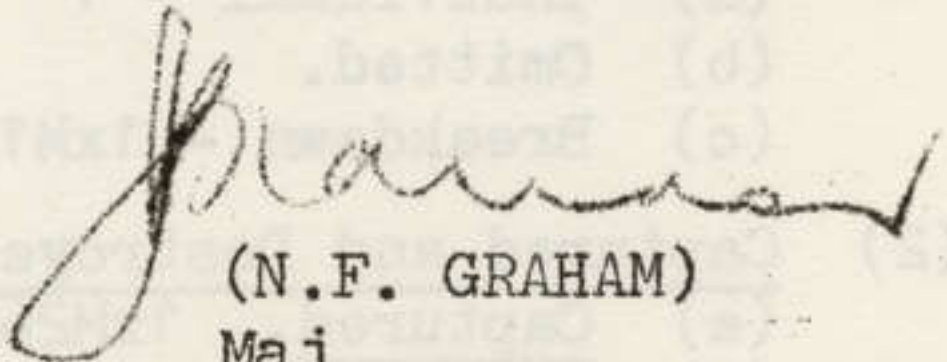
<u>DTG</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Sighting</u>
021200H	YS488513	Fresh track following the line of hills from the West to YS484508.
	YS486529	4 Bunkers (2 damaged).
021530H	YS512813	A narrow trench 3'x2'x1' (wide) poss bunker under const.
3 May 70	YS590577	Fresh tracks of 4-5 people on river bank running to grid YS596584, track then moves into scrub.
	YS590576	Fresh tracks of 4-5 people in sand to YS596580.

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 124/70.
2. Period covered from 040001H to 042400H May 70.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There was one contact with Task Force Elements.
 - a. Ground Activity.
 - (1) AO PENNY.
 - (a) Late report. (032317H) At YS571679 ptl from 4/B/7 RAR contacted 8-10 en who approached from SW and wdr in 2 gps to the west and NW with unk results.
 - (b) (041600H) At YS580702 elms 7 RAR loc instl consisting of 3 "T" shaped pits, 5X1 man pits and 1 "U" shaped pit already dest. All pits had 6"-18" OHP. Pits were of poor const, about 1 month old and had been used 10 days ago. Tracks found to north and south of instl.
 - (2) Other Areas.
 - (a) Late report. (031500H) At YS530635 2 Tp A Sqn 1 Armd Regt loc 3 mine markers 2 suspected mor base plate posns and a suspected cache for 60mm mor eqpt.
 - (b) Further info. (031955H) Ref para 3.a.(4)(a): At YS475585, 3/A/8 RAR contacted 40-50 VC carrying AK47's, RPG's, MG's and M79's. En were moving south to north. After initial contact en wdr and reorganized and recovered bodies KIA, by use of fire and mort. En wdr south. Sweep of area revealed 3 blood trails and drag marks leading south. Results: 2 VC KIA, 1xM16, 1xM26 recovered.
 - (c) (040800H) At YS445892 elms of B Sqn 3 Cav Regt det atk mine consisting of approx 40lbs Chicom explosive. Results: 3 Aust WIA, 1 APC damaged.
 - (d) (041605H) At YS393789, C/8 RAR sighted 5 VC dressed in black, carrying weapons and moving on good track. (NFI).
 - (e) (041732H) At YS464669 ptl from 6 RAR/NZ loc old camp consisting 1 partly dest bkr. Not used for 2 yrs.
 - (f) (042110H) At YS458636, ptl from 1 ARU reported unident secondary explosions at this loc. (NEI).
 - b. Air Support.
 - (1) Omitted.
 - (2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See ANNEX E.
4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.
 - a. Omitted.
 - b. Total KIA discovered during this reporting period that were killed but not reported in a previous period.
 - (1) Omitted.
 - (2) Aust inflicted - 2 VC
 - (3) Omitted.
 - c.d. Omitted.
 - e. Enemy Weapons and Material Captured or Destroyed.
 - (1) Captured Weapons.
 - (a) Individual - 1
 - (b) Omitted.
 - (c) Breakdown - 1xM16.
 - (2) Captured and Destroyed Material.
 - (a) Captured. 1xM26 gren
 - (b) Omitted.
 - (3)-(5) Omitted.

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- f. Cumulative Totals For Month.
(1) KIA - 15 VC
(2)-(4) Omitted.
(5) Individual Weapons - 4
(6)-(9) Omitted.
5. New Obstacles, Barriers and Fortifications.
a. Omitted.
b. Enemy Emplaced Mines and Booby Traps.
(1) Omitted.
(2) Resulting in Friendly Losses. See para 3.a.(2)(c).
6. Enemy Unit Identification, Location and Movements.
a. Readout from docus taken from VC KIA by 9/C/7 RAR at YS504525 on 25 Apr 70 discloses that C25 Long Dat District Concentrated Unit has had 17 members KIA from 31 Dec 69 - 19 Apr 70.
b. Other docus CIA by the RTAVF in Bien Hoa Prov disclose that according to HQ MRT, its agencies and combat units have inflicted inter alia in 1969 the fol Aust cas:
(1) 2701 Tps.
(2) One Lt Col, one Capt, 6 Lt's.
(3) 6 rifle coys.
(4) 14 rifle pls.
Six other Aust coys were depleted. It would appear from the VC units mentioned in the docus, that the bulk of the Aust cas were inflicted by D445.
7. Omitted.
8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 16/70 dated 28 Apr 70.
- 9.10. Omitted.
11. Miscellaneous.
a-c. Omitted.
d. Agent Reports. See ANNEX C.
e. Omitted.
f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.
(1) Late report. (030609H) BIEN HOA air base received 6x122mm rkts, 5 of which impacted inside perimeter.
(2) Late report. (030609H) II FFV at LONG BINH received 9x122mm rkts, 8 of which impacted inside perimeter.
(3) Late report. (032355H) At YS7463, USAF sighted several fires.
(4) Late report. (3 May 70) At YS446544, Arty strike conducted. BDA: 1 bkr dest, 4 bkrs damaged, 1 bkr exposed. Clothing, litter and bottles sighted in area.
(5) (041945H) At YS430646 booby trap on wire at HOA LONG set off. Flares fired but nothing seen. ¼ hr later another booby trap was detonated at YS416630. (NFI).
(6) (4 May 70) BIEN HOA received 3x122mm rkts early this morning.


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- ANNEX C - Agent Reports.
ANNEX E - Aerial Reconnaissance.

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ANNEX C (Agent Reports)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No 124/70
dated 4 May 70.

(04 May 70) Agent report from 1 ALSG. At YS620642 on 030830H May 70, 2 VC pls dressed in mixed dress and armed with 1x60mm mor, 1x82mm mor and individual wpns were loc. A 3 man guard post was loc approx 500m SE of this loc to prevent civs wandering into area.

Comment: Source classified as being usually reliable.

(30 Apr 70) LONG HAI. Agent reports that VC disguised as woodcutters are active in the area where 1 ATF is working on Route 44. The VC are also disguised as cowboys and Lambro drivers. They are conducting recce on the sewers being built by 1 ATF on the Route with a view to subsequently setting charges to these and also to terrorize the CIDG who secure the trg areas.

Annex E (Aerial Reconnaissance)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No 124/70
dated 4 May 70.

1. Visual Recce.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Sighting</u>
3 May 70	YS445557	1 bkr, good condition on ridge. Also couple of areas used as living spaces.
3 May 70	YS446544	Bkr system partially dest. One of untouched bkrs has black clothing scattered around and metal water bottles.
3 May 70	YS446561	Rubbish pits in pri area have been dug up. Litter scattered. Water bottle seen in area.

Note: Tracks in above areas show continuous fresh use.

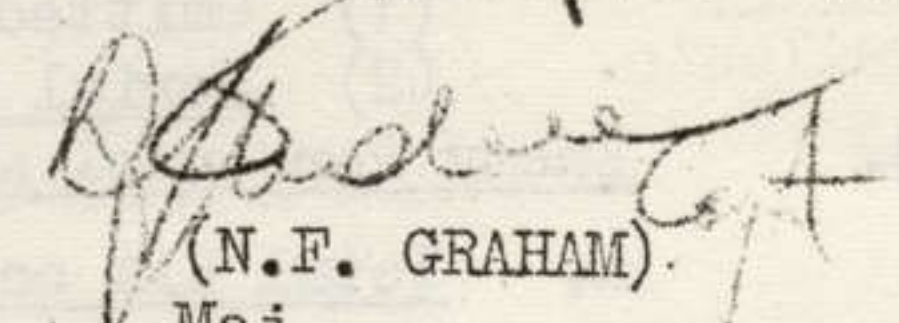
2-5. Omitted.

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM 125/70.
2. Period covered from 050001H to 052400H May 70.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were three contacts with Task Force Elements.
- a. Ground Activity.
- (1) AO Chop.
- (a) (051018H) At YS392792, 9/C/8 RAR contacted 5 VC dressed in green and without packs carrying individual wpns (1 RPG and AK 47s). En mov as if on recce, approached from the West. After contact en wdr NW. Result: 1 en KIA(BC), 1 AK 47 CIA, 3 Aust WIA. No ident possible.
- (b) (051340H) At YS392792 a ptl from C/8 RAR contacted 1 en dressed in black, carrying wpn and pack moving west to east. On contact en went to ground and wdr east with unk results.
- (2) Other Areas.
- (a) (050210H) 2/35 US Arty reported sighting mov on their wire. Engaged with MG. No result.
- (b) (051405H) At YS474885 ptl of B Sqn 3 Cav Regt loc several wpn pits in poor condition. A north south track runs through the camp. Last occupied 14 days ago except 1 sect occupied 3 days ago. Recovered were 1 NVA helmet, qty of food and 1 US water bottle.
- (c) (050900H) At YS466575 ptl of A Sqn 1 Armd Regt loc 3 rd blocks consisting of wire strung across the rd and held in place by rocks. 1 Fd Sqn removed them without incident.
- b. Air Activity.
- (1) Omitted.
- (2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See Annex E.
4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.
- a. Total KIA occurring during this reporting period.
- (1) Omitted.
- (2) Aust Inflicted - 2 VC (1 by SAS).
- (3) Omitted.
- b. to d. Omitted.
- e. Enemy Weapons and Material Captured or Destroyed.
- (1) Captured Weapons.
- (a) Individual - 1
- (b) Omitted.
- (c) Breakdown - 1 X AK47.
- (2) Captured and Destroyed Material.
- (a) Captured. 1 X NVA helmet, 1 X US water bottle.
- (b) Omitted.
- (3) Captured and Destroyed Foodstuff.
- | <u>CO ORD</u> | <u>TYPE</u> | <u>QTY</u> | <u>DISPOSITION</u> |
|---------------|-------------|------------|--------------------|
| YS474885 | Unk | Small | Unk |
- (4) and (5) - Omitted.
- f. Cumulative Totals for Month.
- (1) KIA - 17 VC
- (2) to (4) Omitted.
- (5) Individual Weapons - 5
- (6) to (9) Omitted.
5. - 7. Omitted.

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8. Capabitlities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 17/70 dated 5 May 70.
9. Omitted.
10. a. Omitted.
b. Corrections to Previous INTSUMS.
 - (1) Ref INTSUM 123-70.
 - (a) Ref Annex A Intg Report of Rallier DOAN THI DANG. Exploited info: Amend grid ref second line to read YT575005 and grid ref 5th line to read YT527026.
 - c. - e. Omitted.
- f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.
 - (1) Late Report. (041112H) At YS486531 A/S conducted on en instl. Result: 1 bnk exposed.
 - (2) Late Report. (041620H) At YS461545 A/S conducted on en base camp. Result: 2 bnks dest, 2 bnks/fighting pits damaged, 1 tunnel entrance collapsed and 1 bnk exposed.
 - (3) (050005H) At YS437593, Sector reported that 3-5 VC entered a hamlet of LONG DIEN and fired 1 round of B40 at RDC post who returned fire and VC wdr. Result: 1 RDC WIA en cas unk.
 - (4) (051130H) At YS488531 A/S conducted on a line of bnks under bamboo canopy. Missed tgt.
 - (5) (052030H) At YS5154, RF Coy at PHUOC HAI in contact with approx 40 VC who penetrated into village.


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Attachments.

Annex B - Captured Documents.
Annex E - Aerial Reconnaissance.

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ANNEX B TO
1 ATF INTSUM 125/70
DATED 5 MAY 70

CAPTURED DOCUMENT REPORT.

1. Documents captured by B Coy 7 RAR at YS571679 at 031030H May 70 in a pack including the following:
 - a. A personal biography on TRAN DIEU who was the Coy 2IC of C6/D440 on 29 Apr 69.
 - b. A personal biography on LE VAN DIEU alia LE VAN NGOC who was a Pl Comd C5/D440 on 15 Dec 69.

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- c. A personal data sheet and group members application for HA VAN NOI.
2. Documents captured by 3/A/8 RAR at YS475585 at 032000H May 70 included the following:
- a. On a body.
- (1) An envelope and letter giving details of VC minefields in the LONG DAT District signed by PHAM HOANG VU (Comd Long Dat Dist Unit) on 29 Apr 70.
 - (2) A sketch map-undated, showing the direction of attack on an RDC Compound in PHUOC THANH/PHUOC HOA LONG.
 - (3) A directive giving the activities of the Long Dat Dist for the period 1 May to 10 May. Highlights are as follows:
 - (a) Attack the rural pacification programme.
 - (b) Smash the plan to Vietnamize the war.
 - (c) The secret guerrilla units of LONG DIEN, PHUOC HOA LONG, PHUOC THANH PHUOC LOI and HOI MY are to kill three hamlet officials. signed by TA VAN TRONG of the Long Dat Dist Party Chapter.
 - (4) A number of reports and directives signed by PHAM HOANG VU, TA VAN TRONG, BAY NGHIEN (the Leader of the PHUOC THANH Guerrillas) and HOANG PHONG HUNG (2IC Youth Assoc Long Dat).
 - (5) A commendation certificate for VO VAN THANH alia VO CONG THANH of the Phuoc Thanh Village Guerrilla Unit.

Comment: A full readout on these docs will be provided when the CDEC translations are available.

- b. On ground near a heavy blood trail.
- (1) A personal history statement for VO VAN BE alia VO VAN XUAN the Coy 2IC and Asst Pol Offr for C3 D445.
 - (2) Three commendation certificates for XUAN.
 - (3) Two promotion certificates for XUAN.

Comment: The documents were all contained in a wallet which appeared to have been dropped when the body was dragged away. It is possible that VO VAN XUAN was severely wounded in this contact.

ANNEX E TO
1 ATF INTSUM 125/70
DATED 5 MAY 70

AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE

1. Visual Recce.
- | <u>DTG</u> | <u>LOCATION</u> | <u>SIGHTING</u> |
|------------|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 051400H | YS7572-YS8376 | a. There are a few lt tracks through the area but no hy mov or camps sighted.
b. At YS833758 in a small clearing, palm fronds have been cut and laid out to dry possibly for a hut roof. |

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No. 126/70
2. Period covered from 060001H to 062400H May 70.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There was one contact with Task Force Elements.

a. Ground Activity

(1) AO PENNY.

(a) Late Report. (052353H). At YS586709, 12/C/7 RAR contacted 2-3 en with nil results. En approached from west and wdr north.

(b) (061620H). At YS573693, Aslt Pnrs loc 1X K54 mag and 8 rds beside body of VC KIA by 3/A/7 RAR on 23 Apr 70.

(2) OTHER AREAS

(a) (060952H). At YS511551, 1Fd Sqn det M16 mine. Result: 1X D8 received damage to baffles and radiator.

(b) (061600H). At YS644713, 3/A/1 Armd Regt loc a bunker system 25 metres X 10 metres consisting of 2 bunkers 3' 6" deep with 2' OHP. System 3 months old and used in last 2-3 weeks. Destroyed by tanks.

b. Omitted.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a. Omitted.

b. Total KIA discovered during this reporting period that were killed but not reported in a previous period.

- (1) Omitted.
- (2) Aust Inflicted - 1 VC
- (3) Omitted.

c. Detainees

- 1.2.3.5.6. Omitted.
4. Hoi Chanh - 4.

d. Omitted.

e. Enemy Weapons and Material Captured or Destroyed

(1) Captured Weapons

- (a) Individual - 1
- (b) Omitted.
- (c) Breakdown - 1X K54 Pistol.

(2) Saptured and Destroyed Material.

(a) Captured: See para 3.a.(1)(b)

3.4.5. Omitted.

f. Cumulative Totals For Month.

- (1) KIA - 18 VC
- (2) PW - Nil
- (3) Hoi Chanh - 4
- (4) Omitted.
- (5) Individual Weapons - 6
- (6) Omitted.
- 7.8.9. Omitted.

5. New Obstacles, Barriers and Fortifications.

a. Omitted.

b. Enemy Implaced Mines and Booby Traps.

- (1) Omitted.
- (2) Resulting in Friendly Losses.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORD</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
060952H	YS511551	M16	D8 damaged.

6.7.9.10. Omitted.

8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 17/70 dated 5 May 70.

11. Miscellaneous.

a. Omitted.

b. Corrections to Previous INTSUMS

(1) Reference INTSUM 125/70.

(a) Para 10 f (1) delete all reference.

(b) Para 10 f (2) amend to read " an arty strike was conducted on an en base camp.

c.d.e. Omitted.

f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

(1) Late Report. (041015H and 041040H), At YS463536, RAAF conducted 2 airstrikes on an en base camp. Res: 2 caves destroyed, 3 bunkers destroyed, 75 metres of comms trench destroyed, 1 well damaged and 1 secondary explosion.

(2) Late Report. (041103H). At YS488525, USAF conducted an airstrike on an enemy base camp. Res: 2 bunkers destroyed and 5 bunkers damaged.

(3) Late Report. (05 May 70). At YS576585, arty strike conducted on an en camp. BDA. 2 bunkers destroyed 1 bunker damaged.

(4) Late Report. (05 May 70) At YS556587, arty strike conducted on en camp. BDA. 1 bunker destroyed 1 bunker damaged.

(5) Late Report. (052030H). At YS514528, 36PF P1 AP contacted est 40 VC. PF initiated contact and en wdr SW. Results: Nil friendly cas. En cas unk.

(6) (061126H). At YS462545, RAAF conducted A/S on en posn. (NFI).

(7) (061440H). At YS486531, RAAF conducted A/S on en camp. BDA: 1 bunker destroyed, 3 bunkers damaged / exposed.

(8) (060900H). 2 HOI CHANH'S rallied to DUC THANH District. (See ANNEX A).

(9) (061445). 2 HOI CHANH's rallied to RF at NUI NHON.

(10) (062115H). At YS605635, RF post contacted est 10 VC. En wdr NE. Results: 1 VC KIA(BC), 1SKS CIA.

Attachements

- ANNEX A - Interrogation Reports.
- ANNEX C - Agent Reports.
- ANNEX E- Aerial Reconnaissance.

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Distribution

- List A
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ANNEX A to 1 ATF
INTSUM No. 126/70
dated 7 May 70.

INTERROGATION REPORTS

APPENDIX I to ANNEX A
to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 126/70
dated 7 May 70.

RETURNEE DOAN THI DANGBiographical Data

1. NAME Doan Thi Dang
Aka Hong
D/POB 1945 Ap Bac HOA LONG
RANK/ APPT Sect 2IC & Cook
UNIT Rear Svc Sect BA LONG Prov Unit.

Circumstances of Return

2. Receiving Unit Dat Do District
Date 3 May 70.

Exploited Info.

3. This is a follow up interrogation to that reported in 1 ATF INTSUM 123/70.
4. Rear Svc Sect
 - a. Strength - approx 50
 - b. Tasks - Responsible for maintaining the Entry/Exit Points of BAO VINH, BAO DINH and BAO BINH, the remaining 20 persons are at the NHA THIEZ base.
5. The subject states that there is no Entry/Exit Point at Long Dat at present because of allied ops.
6. At 120700 Apr 70 the subject and 17 others went to Dat Do to purchase food. They arrived at Long Tan (YS500655) at 171700 Apr 70 and rested there until the 30th Apr 70. The group purchased 500 litres of rice. On the 2nd May the group left to return to the NHA THIEC base, and the subject rallied.

Comment. A further interrogation will be conducted on the subject. If the subject was only a cook it is unusual that she knows the names and appointments of most of the senior VC in BA LONG Prov Unit. The subject probably has much more information to disclose as the attempt to hide her true identity would be unnecessary otherwise.

APPENDIX II to 1 ATF
INTSUM No 126/70
dated 7 May 70.

RALLIERS. TRAN HUNG DAO
NGUYEN THI HONG

Unit: BINH BA Village Guerrilla Unit.

Circumstances of Return: The two subjects were involved in the contact with 4Pl and 5Pl B/8 RAR at YS404746 and YS405739 on 1 May 70, the unit scattered after the contact and the subject took the opportunity to rally.

Exploited Info

1. DOA states that the group of 18 people left the base camp at YS416748 and were contacted by the Australians at YS404746. The subject believes that ten persons were killed in this contact and names eight he saw dead. Included in the list is TU TIEN the Secretary of the BINH BA Party Chapter.
2. Commo Liasion Station

Strength 11 persons
Location At the foot of the NUI THI VAI (near the small pagoda) at YS299710.

Comment The two subject's stories differ on where the group was going to when the contact occurred but both agree on the location of the base camp at YS418748.

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ANNEX C (Agent Reports)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 126/70
dated 6 May 70.

(1) (032000H). An informant report received from DUC THANH stated that a pl size gp entered AP SOUI NGHE from the west, told people to have food sups ready for them to collect in 5-7 days. They wdr to the west. Eval: VN-C3.

(2) (032100H) An agent report received from DUC THANH stated a gp of about 30VC entered DUC MY from vicinity of YS445731 and obtained small qty of food sups. They wdr to the west. Eval: VN-C3.

Comment: Possibly same gp in both reports. CHAU DUC at D440 still persisting in trying to get sups from their usual places.

ANNEX E (Aerial Reconnaissance)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 126/70
dated 6 May 70.

1. Visual Recce

<u>DTG</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Sighting</u>
05 May 70	YS488512	Recently used track follows south side of creek. Starts adjacent to old wpn pits at foot of hills.
	YS487510	Unident object wrapped in green plastic vic this loc.
06 May 70	E45,47.N52,55.	Camps in north of this area show no fresh signs. Bunkers still in good condition.

2. Photo Interpretation Reports

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Sighting</u>
22 Apr 70	YS857728	Poss A/W -A/A posn at base of fallen tree. A connecting trench runs from this posn to a fighting bay. Heavy trail activity in area. Posn appears to be occupied.
	YS892731	2 x foxholes in wooded area west of S Co Kieu.
	YS893746	2 x foxholes with connecting trench at edge of small clearing.
	YS903736	1 x foxhole and 1 x fighting trench at edge of clearing. Medium trail activity. Poss 2 x smaller pits 100m SE and poss 1 x small pit 100m NE.
	YS906734	Poss A/E posn on ridgeline approx 300m from coast. 20m south is a structure poss a bunker. Both posn over-look large east - west track.
	YS914737	1 x foxhole near sand on edge of clearing.
	YS916737	1 x foxhole at edge of clearing.
	YS841754	Camouflaged structure rectangular in shape near trail.
	YS843758	Poss structure at base of tree. 2 x trenches one of which connects with the structure. (poss bunker). All sightings in small clearing.
	YS863766	Structure, poss bunker in jungle 100m NE of clearing.
	YS967768	Poss bunker and trench on edge of clearing.
	YS965765	1 x foxhole (poss A/A or A/W posn) poss occupied at edge of small clearing.

3.4.5. Omitted.

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 127-70.
2. Period covered from 070001H to 072400H May 70.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were five contacts with Task Force Elements.

a. Ground Activity.

(1) AO QUARTERMILE.

(a) Late report (6 May 70) at YS375822, B/8 RAR reported hearing a series of single shots (believed to have been signal shots). Arty engaged the area withunk results.

(b) (071338H) At YS395794, C/8 RAR located an empty cache hole, the cache was emptied within the last week. Movement from the cache was west and NW.

(2) AO PENNY.

(a). (070145H and 070320H) At YS646720, 3/A/1 Armd Regt contacted gps of 1 to 2 VC. A sweep of the area revealed 2 drag marks leading north. Results. 2 VC WIA (Pos)

(3) AO TULIP

(a) (072015H) At YS482915, a section of APC from B Sqn 3 Cav Regt sighted and engaged 12 lights moving south to north, with 81 mm mortars with unknown results.

(4) Other Areas

(a) (070520H) At YS508519, 8/C/7 RAR contacted 1 VC moving from east to west and wdr with unk results.

(b) (072025H) At YS573569, 7/C/7 RAR contacted 2 VC on bicycles, moving NE. and wdr SW. Results: 1 VC KIA (BC) and 1 bicycle CIA, nil friendly cas.

b. Omitted.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a. Total KIA occurring during this reporting period.

(1) Omitted.

(2) Aust inflicted - 1 VC.

(3) Omitted.

b, c, d, omitted.

e. Enemy Weapons and Material Captured or Destroyed

(1) Omitted

(2) Captured and Destroyed Material.

(a) Captured: 1 x bicycle.

(b) Omitted.

(3)(4)(5) Omitted.

f. Cumulative Totals For Month.

(1) KIA- 18VC.

(2) PW- Nil.

- (3) Hoi Chanh- Nil
- (4) VCI- Nil
- (5) Individual Weapons- 5
- (6) Crew Served Weapons- Nil
- (7) Rice Captured- Nil
- (8) 122mm Rockets (complete)- Nil
- (9) 107mm Rockets (complete)- Nil

5.6.7. Omitted

8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 17-70 dated 5 May 70.

9. 10. Omitted

11. Miscellaneous.

a. Omitted.

b. Corrections to Previous INTSUMS

(1) Reference INTSUM 126-70.

- (a) Para 3a (1)(f) delete all reference.
- (b) Para 4b (2) delete all reference.
- (c) Para 4c (4) delete all reference.
- (d) Para 4e (1)(a) delete all reference.
- (e) Para 4e (1)(c) delete all reference.
- (f) Para 4e (2)(a) delete all reference.
- (g) Para 4f (1) amend to read 17.
- (h) Para 4f (3) delete all reference.
- (i) Para 4f (5) amend to read 5.
- (j) Para 11f (5) delete all reference, entry should read.
"Further to INTSUM 125-70 Para 11f (5) At YS514528, 36 PFPL AP contacted a gp of VC, after a small exchange of SA fire VCwdr sw. Arty from HORSESHOE fired illumination, Bushrangers and flare ships supported contact. Bushrangers engaged 3 VC to the SW of PHUOC HAI. Result: En cas unk, nil friendly cas.

c.d.e. omitted.

f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

- (1) Late Report (061630H) 655 RF Coy being lead by HOI CHANH, TRAN HUNG DAO (rallied to BINH BA Post at 060900H) located 1xM1 carbine at YS427733 and 5 chimcom anti tank mines, 500 x AK47 rds and 50 x 7.62 mm rds at YS419745.
- (2) Late Report. (6 Apr 70) At YS578575, Arty strike on en base camp. Results: 2 bnks exposed and 1 bnkr damaged.
- (3) (070700H) DAT DO Sub Sector reported DAO VAN DON rallied to their loc. (See APPENDIX II to ANNEX A for initial intg report).
- (4) (071125H) At YS486531, RAAF conducted an A/S on en base camp. Results: 1 bkr destroyed.
- (5) (071230H) At YS495510, USAF conducted an A/S on en base camp. Results: 1 cave destroyed.
- (6) (071340H) At YS457538, RAAF conducted an A/S on en base camp. Results: 1 bkr exposed.
- (7) (071500H) At YS457538, USAF conducted an A/S on en base camp. Results: 3 bks dest, 1 x military structure dest.
- (8) (072000H) At YS610630, 771 RF Coy contacted an estimated pl of VC, en wdr with unk cas.

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Attachments

ANNEX A - Interrogation Reports.

Distribution

- List A
- II FFORCE V
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- MACV - CICV
- 18 ARVN Div
- 3 TAC Fighter Wing
- 12 Cbt Avn Gp
- BIEN HOA TAC
- Advisory Team 48
- Sector S2

INTERROGATION REPORT
TRAN HUNG DAO

The base camp at ... at the source of the BUOI GAN was ...
by ... at the beginning of Apr 70. No one was ...
with his ... The base has no ... The ... are ...
of ... and have ... There are 3 people to each ...
there are ... There was no ...
in this area, could have been an ...

Following the proposed entry of ... it was intended
that they would ... in the jungle ...
and tax people from SUOI WHEE who came to the area to collect ...

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The strength of the ... is ...
near a small ... arriving at approx 1000 hours. They would return ...
approx ... the ... and follow the same track back to the ...
of the ... is ...

... returned with about 3 ... about ...
about this time, the subject went with ...
and gave ...
would then buy rice and other provisions at ...
out of ...
... This ... has been ...
large amount of ...
difficult but a ... of ... must be expected and
completed by ...

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ANNEX A (Interrogation Report)
to 1 ATF INTSUM 127-70
DATED 7 May 70

INTERROGATION REPORTS

1. Attached as Appendices I & II are:
 - a. Fol up intg on TRAN HUNG DAO (INTSUM 126/70 ANNEX 'A' Appx II refers)
 - b. Initial intg report on DAO VAN DON of 3 Pl 4 Coy D445 (B3/C4/D), who rallied to DAT DO SS on 7 May 70.
2. Brothers NGUYEN VAN LUCN and NGUYEN VAN HAI who fallied to the RF at NUI NHON (INTSUM 126/70 para 11 f. (a) refers) will probably be reclassified as refugees. Both are illegal residents from the PHUOC BUU area. Intg will continue.
3. Intgon DOAN THI DANG continues. (1 ATF INTSUMS 123/70 ANNEX 'A' and 126/70 Appendix I to ANNEX 'A' refers).

APPENDIX I TO ANNEX A
TO 1 ATF INTSUM
DATED 7 MAY 70

INTERROGATION REPORT
TRAN HUNG DAO

1. Additional Info...
 - a. The base camp at YS418748 at the source of the SUOI GAN was bombed by B52s at the beginning of Apr 70. No cas were sustained and the unit did not move. The base has no huts. The bunkers are approx 4'6 x 9' x 4'6 and have about 18" OHC. There are 3 people to each bunker. There are no mines or booby traps. Comment: There was no B52 strikes in this area, could have been an air-strike.
 - b. Following the proposed entry of SJOI NGHE for food, it was intended that they would remain in the jungle side of Rubber Estate Road 99 (Approx YS415735) and tax people from SUOI NGHE who came to the area to collect wood
2. Liason Trips.
 - a. Subject used to make one trip a week leaving the base on Monday at 0700H, cutting through the jungle and crossing the SON CA at approx YS 370730, then cross the SUOI GHU PHA at YS341735 past TRANG NAI (approx YS335735) to the fork of the PHU MY fire trail and the fire trail to the north of the NUI THE XAI/NUI TOC TIEN. They would then follow the fire trail to the GHU DUC DISTRICT LIASON STATION at approx YS299710, near a small pagoda, arriving at approx 1800 hours. They would return approx 0700H the fol morning and follow the same track back to the BC. The strength of the Liason Station is 11.
3. D440.
 - a. D440 returned with about 3 coy to BINH BA about mid-march 70. At about this time, the subject went with TIEN, Adjt D440 to DUC MY hamlet and gave VCI member NAN DUONG VN\$100.000 to buy a lambretta. DUONG would then buy rice and other provisions at BARIA Market and bring it out to TIEN. Subject heard that DUONG was arrested by NP during Apr 70.
*S5 Comment: This method has been reported previously in view of the large amount of sups which have been provided. Sup is now obviously more difficult but a resumption of sup direct from BARIA must be expected and countered by rd checks.

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ON 3 Apr 70, D440 was struck by B52s and lost 10 KIA.

Intg continues.

APPENDIX II TO ANNEX A
TO 1 ATF INTSUM 127-70
DATED 7 MAY 70

Initial Questioning

1. a. Date/time of Return/Capture : 070700H/May 70.
b. Returnee/PW/Detainee : Returnee
c. Current Loc of Subject : DAT DO Sub Sect.
2. Biographical Data
a. Full Name : DAO VAN DCN.
b. aka : None.
c. D/POB : 1945 SUOI BA TU Village GO DAU District TAY NINH.
3. Unit Loc And Id
a. Unit : 3 Pl C4 D445
b. Rank : Private Soldier
c. Location: Approx YS475506
d. Time with unit: Since May 1965.
4. Name and Org of Interrogator
Lt DIEU 10 MID
5. Other Important Info
HQ, C1, C2, C3, C4, of D445 are at present in area of NUI CHAU VIEN at approx YS475506.

Approx 22.2.70 when D445 was operating in the NUI MINH DAN area they moved to base camp at SUOI RAU approx YS555694. At the same time they were visited by HAI HA the Chief of Staff of BA LONG Province. D445 organized the political reorientation for the summer stage which is the wet season. The reorientation went on for 1½ days.

HAI KHANH is the chief political officer of the battalion. During the meeting HAI KHANH distributed the missions for D445 battalion which are to be carried out during the rainy season.

The battalion must stay in the NUI MINH DAN area in order to operate and to get close to the people in the LONG DAT area. The main missions are to attack the pacification program and destroy PSDF, and assassinate the hamlet village officials as well as the RDC cadre.

The battalion will split up and operate as in company strength for these missions.

The missions and areas of these operations are as follows:

- a. C1. Will combine with village guerrilla to operate in LONG DIEN district.
- b. C2. Will combine with the village guerrillas to operate in PHOUC HAI village and CAN BA MIA hamlet. (HOI MY)
- c. C3. Will combine with village guerrilla unit to operate in the villages of DAT DO district.
- d. C4. Will receive their missions from the battalion HQ and LONG DAT district unit to carry out shelling. (Mortors.)

The subject thinks that usually the VC aim at the ARVN & Allied troops fire support areas in order to limit the ARVN and Allied artillery fire support for outposts and strategic hamlets while they are attacking.

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Comment: This report is probably substantially true but much more detailed intg remains to be done. The subject has been taken on VR and cfms the locs given as fol:

- a. HQ, C1, C2, C3, C4, at YS473507.
- b. B3/C4 and B2/C25 at YS478506.

APPENDIX II TO ANNEX A
TO 1 AIR DIVISION 157-70
DATED 7 MAY 70

Initial Questioning

1. Total time of return/capture :
 2. Return/PW/Status :
 3. Current loc of subject :
 4. Date of last seen :

5. Name :
 6. D/TOS :
 7. Name :
 8. Name :
 9. Name :
 10. Name :

Unit Loc and ID

1. Unit :
 2. Rank :
 3. Location :
 4. Time with unit since May 1967 :

Name and YR of Interrogator

1. Name :
2. YR :

Other Important Info

1. Name of unit :
2. Loc of unit :
3. Date of capture :
4. Name of interrogator :

Approx 28.5.70 when D45 was operating in the NUI MINH DM area they received base camp at SUOI BAN approx YS55204. At the same time they were visited by HAI HA the Chief of Staff of BA LONG Province. HAI HA explained the political reorientation for the summer stage which is the next season. The reorientation went on for 15 days. HAI KHANH is the chief political officer of the battalion. During the meeting HAI KHANH distributed the mission for D45 battalion which are to be carried out during the rainy season. The battalion was split up into the NUI MINH DM area in order to operate and to get close to the people in the LONG DM area. The main mission are to attack the reorientation program and destroy PRR, and maintain the contact. Village officials as well as the VC cadres. The battalion will split up and operate on its company strength for these missions.

- The stations and areas of these operations are as follows:
- 1. C1 will combine with village guerrillas to operate in LONG DM area.
 - 2. C2 will combine with the village guerrillas to operate in PHOUC BAN village and CAN BA NIA market. (LUI MY)
 - 3. C3 will combine with village guerrillas to operate in the villages of BAN DO DI and the battalion HQ and LONG DM at night with to carry out bombing. (MORRORE).

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The subject thinks that usually the VC aim at the ARVN & Allied troops. The report aims in order to limit the ARVN and Allied military the support for operations and strategic posture while they are attacking.

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- 1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No. 128-70.
- 2. Period covered from 080001H to 082400H May 70.
- 3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There was one contact with Task Force Elements.

a. Ground Activity.

(1) AO QUARTERMILE.

(a) (081500H) At YS398868 11/D/8 RAR loc a Chicom TNT anti-tank mine consisting of 10-20 lbs of explosive with a bamboo pressure switch. The mine was wrapped in propoganda leaflets.

(2) OTHER AREAS

(a) (080813H) At YS243802 an APC from B/3 Cav det a booby trap consisting of a poss 155mm shell. Res: 5 Aust WIA, 1 APC damaged.

(b) (081510H) At YS463819 and YS463820 1 Ed Sqn loc. 2 old 20 lb Chicom mine. One was loc. by a mini team and the other was cut in half by a bull dozer.

(c) (082008H) At YS439582 1/A/8 RAR sighted and engaged 5 poss more en with claymores and MG. En replied with 5 RPG rds and wdr. En approached and engaged posn again but wdr when fire was returned. Comment: Probably LONG DIEN guerillas but reaction and weapons could indicate attempt by C1/D445 to enter the village.

b. Air Activity

- (1) Omitted.
- (2) See Annex E.

4. a,b,c,d,e. Omitted.

f. Cumulative Totals for Month.

- (1) KIA - 18 VC.
- (2) PW - Nil.
- (3) Hoi Chanh - Nil.
- (4) VCI - Nil.
- (5) Individual Weapons - Nil.
- (6) Crew Served Weapons - Nil.
- (7) Rice captured - Nil.
- (8) 122mm Rockets (complete) - Nil.
- (9) 107mm Rockets (complete) - Nil.

5. New Obstacles and Fortifications.

- a. Omitted.
- b. Enemy Emplaced Mines and Booby Traps.

- (1) Omitted.
- (2) Resulting in Frier dly Losses

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO=ORD</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
080813H	YS243802	Booby Trap	5 Aust WIA, 1 APC damaged
		Poss 155mm shell	

6,7. Omitted.

8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 17/70 dated 5 May 70.

9,10. Omitted.

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11. Miscellaneous.

a. Omitted.

b. Corrections to Previous INTSUMS.

(1) Reference INTSUM 127-70.

(a) Para 3a(4)(a) amend to read wdr South.

(b) Para 11b(1)(a) Amend Para to read 3a(1)(b).

c,d,e. Omitted.

f. Other Items of Reporting Interest,

(1) Late Report. (071450H) At YS495510 A/S conducted on an occupied en camp. Res: 1 cave entrance destroyed.

(2) Late Report. (071450H) At YS458537 A/S conducted on en camp. Res: 1 bunker exposed.

(3) (8 May 70) At YS712821 A/S conducted on en camp. Res: 5 bunkers destroyed and new section of camp opened up to SE.

(4) (8 May 70) At YS712821 A/S conducted on new section of camp in (3) above. Res: 3 bunkers destroyed, 1 bunker exposed and damaged and 1 table destroyed.

(5) (081135H) At YS692937 FAC A/C sighted yellow logging truck and 2 people. A later report stated vehicle had 15-20 people on it and had left area for Route 1.

(6) (081421H) DAT DO Sub Sector reported that VN sighted an unk number of VC at YS498602. A MAT team went to investigate and found nothing.

(7) DUC THANH District Reports:

(a) (062100H) A group of armed VC entered SOUI NGHE from the South and asked for food and tax money. They were refused and wdr.

(b) (062100H) A group of armed VC entered DUC MY at YS445731 and tried to buy rice from the villagers. They obtained none and wdr by the same route. Comment: The reported loss of the delivery system of sups from BARIA by DUONG (DUC MY VCI) who was arrested by NP (1 ATF INTSUM 127-70 Appendix 1 to Annex A) and the increased security of the BINH BA area, are being felt by local VC.

(c) Boys herding cattle at YS490803 at 061600H reported that five VC ordered them away from the area. Comment: Probably a gp of NGAI GIAO guerillas still live between the TAMBO and jungle edge in that area.

Attachments

ANNEX A - Interrogation Reports
ANNEX E - Aerial Reconnaissance

Distribution

List A
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ANNEX A (Interrogation Reports)
to 1 ATF INTSUM 128-70
dated 8 May 70

INTERROGATION REPORT
RETURNEE DAO VAN DOL

Biographical Data

1. Name DAO VAN DOL
Aka Nil
D/POB 1945 TAY NINH
Rank/Appt Mortarman
Unit B3/C4/D445

Circumstances of Return

2. Receiving Unit DAT DO Sub Sector
Date 070700H May 70
Location YS497566

Exploited Info

3. Movement of D445 since Oct 69.
- a. Oct 69. D445 moved into MINH DAM area at approx YS474521.
 - b. 19 Feb 70. Aust troops operating in the MINH DAM area clashed with C1/D445. At this time the whole of D445 was hiding in the area. On the night of 19 Feb all of D445 except C3 moved to HOI MY (at YS537557) and from there moved to establish a camp at SOUI RAU (SOUI GIANG) YS550696.
 - c. 25 Feb 70. Aust troops attacked the camp on the SOUI RAU so the next night D445 moved to PHUOC BUI at approx YS623604 to establish a new base camp (at GO CAY GO).
 - d. 1 Mar 70. Aust troops commenced ops in the GO CAY GO area, the battalion had received orders to avoid contact but one contact was made with a scout and 1 VC KIA.
 - e. 4 Mar 70. D445 moved back to HOI MY at approx YS537557. They stayed there for about twenty days and avoided contact with Aust Armour operating in the area.
 - f. 25 Mar 70. The whole of D445 moved to the SONG RAI camp at YS574687 and went into hiding. During this time teams were detailed to collect rice from DAT DO. The only contacts were with C3 who had 2 KIA.
 - g. 5 Apr 70. D445 moved back to the base at (possibly either YS530697 or YS542689-to be confirmed) GIENG, while C4 moved to CHAU VIEN to reinforce the LONG DAT Dist Unit in order to shell targets which were to be chosen by LONG DAT.
 - h. 3 May 70. The subject heard at a meeting between the Bn Comd and his Coy Comd that all D445 is at present in the MINH DAM area in CHAU VIEN at approx YS473507.
4. Mines. All of the tracks used by APCs and tanks in LONG DAT area have been mined with anti-tank mines and the tracks in the jungle and in the MINH DAM area with anti-pers mines. The built up roads are still safe to use. All safe tracks are marked by leaning trees and are new and easy to follow at the moment.
5. Supplies.
- a. D445 has received supplies of rice from DAT DO, LONG DIEN, HOI MY (CAU BA MIA Hamlet) and on a few occasions LANG PHUOC HAI.

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b. Route MINH DAM to HOI MY. From the camp at YS476506 they follow many different tracks down to the paddies to YS493526 and then in a straight line to YS507541 near CAU BA MIA Hamlet. They then take up an extended line formation to infiltrate the hamlet. The same route is used to return to the base camp.

6. AA Capability. The subject states that although D445 have 2 x 12.7mm HMGs they do not have any tripods to be able to use them against aircraft. He doubts that even if they had tripods they would use them against aircraft.

Comment. The subject has been very helpful but all grid references and timings given so far are only approximate and will be confirmed by air recce and further interrogation. The basic outline of the sequence of movement of D445, however, appears to be correct.

ANNEX E (Aerial Reconnaissance)
to 1 ATF INTSUM 128-70
dated 8 May 70

1. Visual Recce.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Sighting</u>
071220H- 071400H May 70 07 May 70	YS465505-472510 YS457538	Heavy trail activity. Small cleared area under foliage. No bunkers sighted. Poss camp sight.
07 May 70	YS458539	3 large undamaged bunkers not in use. 2 bunkers under foliage poss being used. All in area of old camp.
07 May 70 081500H- 081720H May 70	YS507533 YS303714 YS304706	2x105mm UBX in sand dunes. 1 x tin roofed hut in usable condition. 2 bunkers in poor but usable condition. Camouflage over bunkers has died and there are no indications of use.
	YS305704	1 bunker well concealed in steep country under tall timber. Bunker in good condition but no signs of recent use.

2,3,4,5. Omitted.

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No. 129-70.
2. Period covered from 090001H to 092400H May 70.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were 2 contacts with Task Force Elements.
 - a. Ground Activity
 - (1) AO QUARTERMILE
 - (a) (090945H) At YS420741, 8/C/8 RAR located two freshly dug holes in the road. One yard to the North of one hole was marked by 3 sticks 12" long, placed parallel to each other, with the centre stick close to the diggings.
 - (b) (091000H) At YS421743, 8/C/8 RAR located several suspected mine markers consisting of 5x4 ft long sticks about 15 metres apart on the Eastern edge of the road. The sticks were at slight angles and had nylon cord attached to the top of the stick to the surface of the ground.
 - (2) OTHER AREAS
 - (a) Further to contact of 1/A/8 RAR at 082008H at YS439582 (INTSUM 128-70 Para 3 a (2) (c) refers), a sweep of the area revealed 2 heavy drag marks, a pool of blood, 2 x RPG shell cases, 4 x AR mags 1 x M26 gren, 4 hats and 1 diary. Further investigation revealed en approached from the South.
 - (b) (090015H) At YS472666, 1/A/6 RAR/NZ sighted lights moving W to E.
 - (c) (091015H) At YS266551, 3/W/6 RAR/NZ located 1 mud hut capable of accomodating 4 persons. Hut had been occupied 1 hour prior to loc. Recovered were: 10 lbs of rice, 2½ lbs salt, 4 lbs tobacco, ½ lb sugar, qty of pots, 4 x 1 gallon plastic water containers, 1 jerry can, qty of clothing and bedding for 2 persons.
 - (d) (092003H) At YS437583, 1/A/8 RAR located 2 mine markers. Signs made from cardboard. A search by Holdfast did not locate any mines.
 - (e) (092038H) At YS402589, 2/A/8 RAR contacted six en moving West. 2 Pl initiated contact with M72s and M79s and en fired RPGs in return. Nil results.
 - (f) (092042H) At YS401631, 3/A/8 RAR contacted six en who approached from the West and wdr East. Results: 2 en KIA (BC), 1 x AK47 CIA. A further sweep to be conducted at first light.
 - b. Omitted.
4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.
 - a. Total KIA occuring during this reporting period.
 - (1) Omitted.
 - (2) Aust inflicted - 2 VC.
 - (3) Omitted.
 - b.c.d. Omitted.
 - e. Enemy Weapons and Material Captured or Destroyed.
 - (1) Captured Weapons
 - (a) Individual - 1.
 - (b) Crew Served - Nil.
 - (c) Breakdown - 1 x AK47.
 - (2) Captured and Destroyed Material
 - (a) Captured: 2 RPG shell cases, 4 AR mags, 1 M26 gren, 4 hats, 1 diary, qty of pots, 4 x 1 gallon water containers, 1 jerry can qty clothing and bedding.
 - (b) Omitted.

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(3) Captured and Destroyed Foodstuff.

<u>CO-ORD</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>DISPOSITION</u>
YS266551	Rice	10 lbs	Unk.
"	Salt	2½ lbs	Unk.
"	Sugar	½ lb	Unk.

(4) (5) Omitted.

f. Cumulative Totals for Month.

- (1) KIA - 20 VC.
- (2) PW - Nil.
- (3) Hoi Chanh - Nil.
- (4) VCI - Nil.
- (5) Individual Weapons - 6.
- (6) Crew Served Weapons - Nil.
- (7) Rice Captured - Nil tons.
- (8) 122mm Rockets (complete) - Nil.
- (9) 107mm Rockets (complete) - Nil.

5.- 7. Omitted.

8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 17/70 dated 5 May 70.

9. 10. Omitted.

11. Miscellaneous.

a. Omitted.

b. Corrections to previous INTSUMS

- (1) Reference INTSUM 128-70 - Para 4 f (5) amend to read 5.

c.-e. Omitted.

f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

- (1) Late report. (081122H) At YS712816 A/S conducted on en base camp. Res: 5 bunkers destroyed.
- (2) Late report. (081344H) At YS712816 A/S conducted on en base camp. Res: 3 bkrs destroyed, 1 bkr exposed and 1 table destroyed.
- (3) Late report. (081830H) At YS395855, 18 ARVN Div stated that 200 were sighted at that loc, carrying 1x122mm mors and 4 large wpns. Eval US D-4.
- (4) (091005H) At YS488530, A/S conducted on en camp. Nil BDA.
- (5) (091211H) At YS473507, A/S conducted on en camp. Res: 1 large bkr destroyed, 1 large cave entrance dest and numerous small cave entrances destroyed.
- (6) (092040H) At YS420715, approx 1 Pl of VC, who approached from the SW of AP SUOI NGHE, engaged RF with RPG and SA fire. Possum illuminated contact area and en wdr NW with unk results.

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ANNEX E - Aerial Reconnaissance.

Distribution

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|-------------|--------------------|
| List A | 3 TAC Fighter Wing |
| II FFORCE V | 12 Cbt Avn Gp |
| MACV - J2 | BIEN HOA TAC |
| MACV - CICV | Advisory Team 48 |
| 18 ARVN Div | Sector S2 |

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ANNEX E (Aerial Reconnaissance)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No 129-70
dated 9 May 70.

1.-4. Omitted.

5. APD (Sniffer)

<u>DTG</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Readout</u>
091030H	YS384701	Maximum
"	YS357719	"
"	YS345717	"
"	YS351714	"
"	YS353713	"
"	YS357707	"
"	YS336731	Strong
"	YS325725	"
"	YS322728	"
"	YS319731	"
"	YS317720	"
"	YS375707	Minimum
"	YS377706	"
"	YS334733	"
"	YS337723	"
"	YS339722	"
"	YS319717	"
"	YS315716	"

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 130/70.
2. Period covered from 100001H to 102400H May 70.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were three contacts with Task Force Elements.
 - a. Ground Activity.
 - (1) AO QUARTERMILE.
 - (a) Further to contact 3/A/8 RAR at 092042H at YS401631 (INTSUM 129/70 para 3.a.(2)(f) refers). A sweep revealed a further 1 VC KIA (BC), bringing total to 3 VC KIA (BC).
 - (b) (101550H) At YS438845 12/D/8 RAR loc a very old cache. Recovered were 4x1 gallon drums of oil and plastic sheeting.
 - (2) Other Areas.
 - (a) (101240H) At YS278567 W/6 RAR/NZ were engaged by 3 - 4 en who fired AK47 and RPG2. Results: 1xNZ WIA.
 - (b) (101805H) At YS290566 1/W/6 RAR/NZ contacted 1 VC with unk results.
 - (c) (102000H) At YS494527 Atk PL/7 RAR contacted 3 - 4 en mov from east to west. Results: 1 en KIA (BC), 1 child recovered.
 - b. Air Activity.
 - (1) Omitted.
 - (2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See ANNEX E.
4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.
 - a. Total KIA occurring during this reporting period.
 - (1) Omitted
 - (2) Aust Inflicted - 1 VC
 - (3) Omitted
 - b. Total KIA discovered during this reporting period that were killed but not reported in a previous period.
 - (1) Omitted
 - (2) Aust Inflicted - 1 VC
 - (3) Omitted
 - c.d. Omitted.
 - e. Enemy Weapons and Material Captured or Destroyed.
 - (1) Omitted
 - (2) Captured and Destroyed Material.
 - a. Captured. 4x1 gal drum of oil, plastic sheeting.
 - b. Omitted
 - (3)-(5) Omitted.
 - f. Cumulative Totals For Month.
 - (1) KIA - 22 VC
 - (2)-(4) Omitted
 - (5) Individual Weapons - 6
 - (6)-(9) Omitted.
5. New Obstacles, Barriers and Fortifications.
 - a. Omitted.
 - b. Enemy Emplaced Mines and Booby Traps.
 - (1) Destroyed by Friendly Forces.
AP Mines.

1xM16 detonated by D8 of 17 Const Sqn.
 - (2) Resulting in Friendly Losses.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORD</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>RESULTS.</u>
100930H	YS513552	101b	1xAust WIA

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6. Enemy Unit Location, Identification and Movements.
 - a. Documents captured on one of the 3 VC KIA by 3/A/8 RAR at YS401631 at 092042H May 70 identify HUYNH VAN CHIEU a Section 2ic in the Chau Duc Engr/Recce Unit.
 - b. No identification is possible from the diary captured by 1/A/8 RAR at YS439582 at 082008H May 70.
7. Omitted.
8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 17/70 dated 5 May 70.
- 9.10. Omitted
11. Miscellaneous.
 - a-e. Omitted.
 - f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.
 - (1) (100930H) At YS473508 3 A/S were conducted. Results: 3 cave entrances destroyed, 3 cave entrances exposed.
 - (2) Late report (091300H) At YS473507 an A/S was conducted on a base camp. Results: 1 bunker destroyed, 1 cave entrance destroyed, numerous possible cave entrances destroyed/damaged.
 - (3) (101145H) At YS487530 an A/S was conducted with unk results.
 - (4) (101445H) At YS712821 an A/S was conducted with unk results.
 - (5) (102054H) At YS507546 189 RF Coy contacted an est VC Pl. Results: 1 VC KIA (BC), 1 RF KIA, 1 AK47 CIA.
 - (6) (102130H) At YS427599 54 PF Pl contacted 1 VC suqad. VC fired AK47 and RPG2. Results: 2-3 bloodtrails located, 1 PF WIA.

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ANNEX A - Interrogation Reports.
ANNEX E - Aerial Reconnaissance,

Distribution.

List A
II FFORCE V
MACV-J2
MACV-CICV
18 ARVN Div
3 TAC Fighter Wing
12 Cbt Avn Gp
BIEN HOA TAC
Advisory Team 48
Sector S2

ANNEX A (Interrogation Reports)
to 1 ATF INTSUM 130/70
dated 10 May 70.

INTERROGATION REPORT
TRAN HUNG DOA

Ref: a. 1 ATF INTSUM 126/70 ANNEX A Appx II.
1 ATF INTSUM 127/70 ANNEX A Appx I.

Additional Info.

1. The base at YS415735 was intended to be a new base for the Village Unit and the Party Chapter but before they could move to the new location they were ambushed and

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ten killed. The subject does not know if the remaining members of the group have gone to the new camp area.

2. The subject continues to believe that the base camp of D440 which was about 300 metres west of the BINH BA base at YS418748 was struck by B52 bombers in Apr 70. He believes that D440 suffered 10 wounded in the bombing.

3. When the VC infiltrated SUOI NGHE to collect rice they always went to the house of CHINH.

ANNEX E (Aerial Reconnaissance)
to 1 ATF INTSUM 130/70
dated 10 May 70.

1. Visual Recce.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Sighting</u>
090800H-	YS478506	Camouflaged cave entrance.
091005H	YS474510	A track running east from the marked track running NE-SW stops at group of rocks and appears to enter a cave system. Several possible entrances are visible in the area.
	YS470511	A track enters thick low scrub.
091400H-	YS555595	Light activity in area. Footprints of undetermined age in sandy bomb crater. Light tracks in the area.
091530H		
101200H-	YS368643-	Very fresh and large track.
101355H	YS361652-	
	YS351647	

2-5. Omitted.

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 131/70
2. Period covered from 110001H to 112400H May 70.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There ^{was} ~~were~~ 1 contact~~s~~ with Task Force Elements.

a. Ground Activity.

(1) AO QUARTERMILE

- (a) (111245H) At YS449897, 1 Tp, B Sqn 3 Cav hit a pressure mine consisting of approx 30 lbs of HE, just below the surface. Res. 5 Aust WIA, 1 APC damaged.
- (b) (111040H) At YS438848 D/8 RAR located a rest area for 2-3 en. Occupants believed to have fled SW when water party moved to stream adjacent to rest area.
- (c) (111930) At YS446861, Ptl from D/8 RAR received incoming mortar round from unident source or tripped a booby trap resulting in 4 Aust WIA. NFI.

(2) OTHER AREAS

- (a) (110805H) At YS453722, Ptl from 7 RAR located 2 pits and 2 bed spaces which had been occupied last night. Lights were observed in same location at 110400H.
- (b) (112040H) At YS492562, 2 Tp A Sqn 3 Cav Regt contacted 13 en who appeared to be carrying packs, and approached from the NW. En did not return fire. NFI.

b. Omitted.

4: Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a-e. Omitted

f. Cumulative Totals For Month.

- (1) KIA - 22 VC
- (2) Omitted
- (3) Omitted
- (4) Omitted
- (5) Individual Weapons - 6
- (7-9) Omitted.

5. a. Omitted

b. Enemy Emplaced Mines and Booby Traps.

(1) Destroyed by Friendly Forces.

<u>AT MINES</u>	<u>AP MINES</u>	<u>BOOBY TRAPS</u>
YS449897 (approx 30 lbs HE). ATK mine.		

(2) Resulting in Friendly Losses.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO=ORD</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
111245H	YS449897	ATK (30 lbs HE)	5 Aust WIA 1 APC damaged.

6-7. Omitted

8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 17/70 dated 5 May 70.

9. Omitted.

10. Omitted.

11. Miscellaneous.

a-e. Omitted.

f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

(1) Late Report. (062100H) Approx 10 VC infiltrated via AP BAC (HOA LONG) and appeared on the rd at two places YS414634 and YS416635. They bought rice in the NW area of AP TAY. They wdr at approx 070230H through the wire in AP TAY YS414632.

(2) Late Report. (062300H) approx 15 VC infiltrated through AP TAY crossing the bund at YS418629 and moved to the area of YS417634 where they surrounded the house of PHAN VAN HUNG, a GVN finance clerk and a forceful anti-VC element in the community, but he and his family were staying in the police compound. En wdr at approx 070200H.

(3) Late Report. (072030H) an estimated 10 VC penetrated AP SUOI NGHE hamlet from the west. They were armed with individual weapons and dressed in assorted clothes. The VC wdr at 2300H in a westerly direction. Their motive for the penetration was unk.

(4) Late Report. (102230H) At YS419630 a booby trapped claymore was detonated, wounding 1xPF soldier.

(5) (111025H) At YS219821 A/S conducted. No BDA available.

(6) (111110H) and (111130H) At YS639765 2xA/S conducted on en camp. BDA. 5 bkrs dest 1 bkr exposed and 3x40 gal drums exposed.

(7) (111200H) At YS633602 A/S conducted. No BDA available.

(8) (111352H) At YS783739 A/S conducted on base camp resulting in 2 huts destroyed, 2 bkrs damaged and exposed.

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ANNEX B - Captured Documents.

Distribution

List A

- II FFORCE V
- MACV - J2
- MACV - CICV
- RTAVF
- 18 ARVN Div
- 3 TAC Fighter Wing
- 12 Cbt Avn Gp
- BIEN HOA TAC
- Advisory team 48
- Sector S2

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ANNEX B (Captured Documents)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 131/70
dated 11 May 70.

1. Documents taken from the VC KIA by ATk Pl/Sp/7 RAR at YS494527 at 102000H
May 70 included the following:

- a. Ten personal letters to NHUNG (possibly SAU NHUNG of the DAT DO Med Sect).
One letter mentions that NHUNG had a baby on about 1 Apr 70. Latest date 14
Apr 70.
- b. A letter from THANH TU of LBN 61/202 VT/C5 (BA LONG Prov Engr/Recce Unit)
to SAU NHUNG of LONG DAT Medical Section, dated 8 Apr 70.

Comment. The VC KIA was probably Sau Nhung.

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No. 132/70
2. Period covered from 120001H to 122400H May 70.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were two contacts with Task Force Elements.

a. Ground Activity

(1) AO CATHY

(a) (121120H). At YS559684, 8/7 RAR contacted est 10 en who split into two gps after contact. Results. 2VC KIA(BC), 1VC KIA(Poss), 2 VC WIA (BT), 1X AK47 and qty docus CIA. 1 lt BT leading south and 1 lt BT leading North. No ident yet possible.

(b) (121620H). At YS542563, 7/C/7 RAR loc staging camp 200M X 200M consisting of 11 bunkers last used 4 weeks ago.

(2) AO QUARTERMILE

(a) (122031H). At YS426734, 8 RAR AP contacted 1 en coming from south. Engaged with SA. Sweep will be conducted in morning. (NFI).

(3) AO TULIP

(a) (122045H). At YS470870, 4/A/1 Armd Regt reported light. Arty engaging. (NFI).

4. OTHER AREAS.

(a) (121434H). At YS476567, Aslt Pnrs/7 RAR detonated a mine believed to be an M16 which failed to jump. Results. 3 AUST WIA. There were 4 warning signs in vicinity of mine.

(b) (121640). At YS475565 and YS481553, Aslt Pnrs/7 RAR loc two seperate bunker systems consisting of 30 plus bunkers, spider holes and comms trenches. Bunkers have 2-3 ft OHP. Camouflage recently applied. NW corner destroyed by tks. At YS475565, 1X M16 mine was detonated. Poss other mines in area.

(c) (122134H). At YS420672, B/1 Armd Regt sighted light due west on Route 2. Engaged with SA and flares. Results. Lights extinguished and movement ceased.

b. Omitted.

4. a.b.c.d. Omitted.

e. Enemy Weapons and Material Captured or Destroyed

(1) Captured Weapons.

- (a) Individual - 1
- (b) Crew Served Nil
- (c) Breakdown - 1 X AK47

2.3.4.5 Omitted.

f. Cumulative Totals For Month.

- (1) KIA - 24 VC
- 2.3.4.6.7.8.9. Omitted.
- (5) Individual Weapons - 7

5. a. Omitted.

b. Enemy Emplaced Mines and Booby Traps.

(1) Destroyed by Friendly Forces.

<u>AT MINES</u>	<u>AP MINES</u>	<u>BOOBY TRAPS</u>
	1 X M16	

(2) Resulting in Friendly Losses.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORD</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
121434H	YS476576	M16	3 Aust WIA

6.7.9.10. Omitted.

8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 18/70 dated 12 May 70.

11. Miscellaneous.

a.b.c.d.e. Omitted.

f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

(1) Late Report. (101600H). At YS487530, A/S conducted. Nil BDA.

(2) Late Report. (101500H). At YS446544, arty strike conducted. BDA. 3 bunkers destroyed. At YS446557, arty strike conducted. BDA. 2 bunkers destroyed.

(3) Late Report. (111005H). At YS639645, A/S conducted on en camp. BDA. 5 bunkers destroyed, 1 bunker damaged.

(4) Late Report. (111200H). At YS783739, A/S conducted on en camp. BDA. 2 huts destroyed, 2 bunkers damaged/exposed.

(5) (120840H). At HOI MY wounded returnee surrendered to GVN forces. HOI CHANH was wounded in contact with APC's last night (ref INTSUM 131/70 Para 3.a. (2) (b)).

(6) (121000H.) At YS706835, A/S conducted an en camp. Results. 1 hut destroyed, 1 bunker destroyed.

(7) (121330H). At YS710823, A/S conducted. Nil BDA.

(8) (121400H). At YS321697, Possum loc 4 bunkers in good condition.

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ANNEX C - Agent Reports.

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Distribution

- List A
- II FFORCE V
- MACV - J2
- MACV - CICV
- RTAVF
- 18 ARVN Div
- 3 TAC Fighter Wing
- 12 Cbt Avn Gp
- BIEN HOA TAC
- Advisory Team 82
- Sector S2

ANNEX C (Agent Reports)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 132/70
dated 13 May 70.

POLICE AGENT REPORT DUC THANH

BINH BA guerillas and Party Chapter held political meeting in rubber west BINH BA at 120800. Told the people that PHAM VAN TUOT was the new Party Chapter Secretary. Also that they intend to attack BINH BA in the future.

1. 1st Australian Task Force INTERCOM No 133.70
2. Period covered from 130001H to 132400H May 70
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There was/were contact/contacts with Task Force Elements.

a. Ground Activity.

(1) AO QUARTERMILE.

(a) 13 May 70. In AP TAY, HOA LONG (YS4164) a cordon and search was conducted. Results: Six VN detained including two RF, approx 400,000\$VN confiscated and a qty of and sups loc.

(b) (131935H) At YS429875, 3/1/B/3 Cav Regt loc a grave containing one VC body dead two weeks with burns to the upper body and face. Body dressed in black pyjamas and HO CHI MINH sandals.

(2) OTHER AREAS

(a) (130645H). At YS386617, B/3 Cav Regt loc two bodies of males both about 25 yrs, shot between the eyes, beleived assassinated. Docs attached to bodies indicate that the VC beleived them to be informers.

(b) (131415H). At YS283580 a ptl from W/6RAR/NZ loc one mud hut with living area for 3-4, last used 10-15 mins. There were two water holes with fresh water in polythene sheets Recovered were: 1 x bolt action rifle (NFI) 2 x boats 15ft long (destroyed), 2 x fishing nets & qty of clothes & cooking utensils, two electric booby trap devices, 1 x coil of electric wire qty of food, 1 x unexploded rocket head (destroyed).

(c) (132125H) In vic PHUOC LOI (YS5057) A/7RAR sighted 8 en mov SW. Area was illuminated and fire exchanged. Results: one VC KIA (BC)

b. Air Activity.

(1) Omitted

(2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See ANNEX E.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a. Total KIA occuring during this reporting period.

(1) Omitted

(2) Aust Inflicted - 1 VC

(3) Omitted

b. Total KIA discovered during this reporting period that were killed but not reported in a previous period.

(1) US Inflicted - 1 VC

(2) Omitted

(3) Omitted

c. Detainees.

(1)-(4) Omitted

(5) Still undergoing Interrogation-6

(6) Omitted

d. Enemy Ammunition Expenditure.

(1) Omitted

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- e. Enemy Weapons and Material Captured or Destroyed.
- (1) Captured Weapons.
 - (a) Individual-1
 - (b) Omitted
 - (c) Breakdown 1 x bolt action rifle (NFI)
 - (2) Captured or Destroyed Materiel.
 - (a) Captured. 2 x fishing nets, qty clothing and cooking utensils
2 x elec bamboo booby trap devices, one coil elec wire, qty of food.
 - (b) Destroyed. 2 x 15ft boats, 1 x rocket head.
 - (3) Omitted
 - (4) Omitted
 - (5) Omitted
- f. Cumulative Totals for Month.
- (1) KIA-25 VC
 - (2)-(4) Omitted
 - (5) Individual Weapons-8
 - (6)-(9) Omitted.
5. Omitted.
- b. AP MINES. At YS447580 1x M16 destroyed by B Sqn 3 Cav Regt.
2 x M16 at YS2668 located, 1 x M16 at YS448583 detonated by 17 Const Sqn.
6. Enemy Unit Identification, Location and Movements.
- a. Docu found in the bunkers uncovered by C/7 RAR at YS542563 at 121300H May 70 indicate that the system was occupied by at least two coys of D445-date unk.
7. Omitted
8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 18-70 dated 12 May 70.
- 9.10 Omitted
11. Miscellaneous.
- (a)-(e) Omitted
- f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.
- (1) Late report.(120950H) At YS383828 an A/S was conducted on a base camp. Results: 1 x bunker destroyed and exposed. 15m comms trench exposed
 - (2) Late report.(121130H) At YS706835 an A/S was conducted on a base camp with unknown results.
 - (3) Late report.(121415H) At YS712818 an A/S was conducted on a base camp with unknown results.
 - (4) (131135H) At YS567823 an A/S was conducted on a base camp. Results 1 x bunker destroyed, 1 x bunker damaged.
 - (5) (131420) At YS607883 an A/S was conducted on a base camp. Results: 3 x bunker destroyed.

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Annex: B Captured Documents.
E Aerial Reconnaissance

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ANNEX B TO
1 ATF INTSUM 133/70
DATED 13 MAY 70

CAPTURED DOCUMENTS

1. Docus CIA from a VC KIA by A/8 RAR at YS475585 on 3 May 70 incl a plan of military activity for period 26-30 Apr 70 signed by PHAM HOANG VU for the Command Committee LONG DAT DISTRICT. In addition the offensives that were to have been conducted assuring that period the fol actions were also to be executed (time frame not specified) a. Destruction of GVN strategic hamlets (NH) b. Elimination of tyrants (NFI) c. Units from the fol villages etc were to destroy the bridges and axis of communications on Route 52, Route 23 the head of Route 44 and the end of Route 44.

- (1) Long Dien, City units.
- (2) An Ngai, Phouc Tinh, An Nhut, Tam Phouc, Long My, Phouc Hai, Hoi My, Phouc Loi, Phouc Thanh and Long Tam village units..

2. In addition the Long Hai district unit was to:

- a. Conduct two attks
- b. Destroy two tks and one bull-dozer.

Each village unit was to also destroy one tk.

ANNEX E (Aerial
Reconnaissance)
to 1 ATF INTSUM
133/70
Dated 13 May 70

1. Visual Recce.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Sightings</u>
121730H	YS494507	Many caves in area.
121920H		
131250H		At least four bunkers in good condition
131505H	YS607883	three of which were well concealed.

1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No. 134/70.
2. Period covered from 140001H to 142400H May 70.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There was one contact with Task Force Elements.

a. Ground Activity.(1) AO CATHY

(a) (141907H) At YS546704 6/B/7 RAR located a bkr system destroyed by friendly forces, but used by 3-4 VC in last 2 days. Also 2 huts used by 10 VC in last 2 days. Recovered were 27 lbs of C4 explosives and 30 yds of det cord.

(2) AO QUARTERMILE.

(a) (142052H) At YS405627, 3/A/8 RAR contacted approx 15 VC. Initial results: 7 VC KIA(BC), 1 RPG, 1XM79, 2 SKS and 2 M16 CIA. En approached from the south and wdr east and west on contact. Sweep to be conducted at first light.

(3) Other Areas.

(a) Further to contact by A/7 RAR(INTSUM 133/70 Para 3a(2)(c)). En moved from SW to NE into village. En returned fire with 1 RPG rd and AK47 fire. A Qty of docus recovered. See Para 6.

(b) (141200H) At YS448580, 17 Const Sqn loc an M16 mine.

b. Air Activity.

(1) Omitted.

(2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See Annex E.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.a. Total KIA occurring during this reporting period.

(1) Omitted.

(2) Aust inflicted - 7 VC.

(3) Omitted.

b. Omitted.

c. Detainees.

(1) - (4) Omitted.

(5) Still Undergoing Interrogation. - 6

(6) Omitted.

d. Omitted.

e. Enemy Weapons and Material Captured or Destroyed.(1) Captured Weapons.

(a) Individual - 6

(b) Omitted.

(c) Breakdown- 1XRPG, 2XSKS, 2XM16, 1 M79.

6 (2) Captured and Destroyed Material.

(a) Captured. 27 lbs of explosives, 30 yds of det cord.

(b) Omitted.

(3) to (5) Omitted.

f. Cumulative Totals For Month.

(1) KIA - 32 VC

(2) PW - Nil

(3) Hoi Chanh - Nil

(4) VCI - Nil

(5) Individual Weapons - 14

(6) Crew Served Weapons - Nil

(7) Rice Captured Nil Tons.

(8) 122mm Rockets(complete) - Nil

(9) 107mm Rockets(complete) - Nil

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5. New Obstacles, Barriers and Fortifications.

a. LOC Interdiction and Incidents.

(1) Interdictions

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORD</u>	<u>LOC</u>	<u>OCCURRENCE</u>
140700H	RT15	YS252727 YS245757	Road block made from trees and branches.

(2) Omitted.

b. Enemy Emplaced Mines and Booby Traps.

(1) Destroyed by Friendly Forces.

AP MINES-1 at YS448580, BOOBY TRAPS-1 at YS245757.

(2) Omitted.

6. Enemy Unit Identification, Location and Movements. Ref INTSUM 133/70 Para 3a(2)(c)
Docu ident a Sect Cdr of HQ D445 possibly Recce Pl.

7. Omitted.

8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 18/70 dated 12 May 70

9. and 10. Omitted.

11. Miscellaneous. a. to e, Omitted.

f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

(1) (140700H) At YS252727 and YS245757, 576 RF Coy dest 2 road blocks of trees and branches. Reported by 1 ATF VR-incl in one was a block of TNT with a tri wire.

(2) (141000H) At YS547831 Aust and US A/S on en camp. Results: 1 bkr dest, 3 bnks exposed and damaged and a living area destroyed.

(3) (141550H) A VN informant reported seeing a VC pl at YS515815. VR reported smoke in the area. Arty engaged with unk. results.

(4) (141515H) At YS687627, A/S on en camp. Results: 1 bkr and 1 large hut destroyed, 5 bkrs exposed and damaged, 2 small secondary explosions.

(5) (141915H) At YS252730, a civ from PHU MY hit a mine with his bicycle. Res: 1 civ wounded.

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Annexes. C. Agent Report.

E. Aerial Reconnaissance.

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ANNEX C TO
1 ATF INTSUM 134/70
DATED 14 MAY 70

1. Informant Report (VNC3). 071600 May 70, stated that the VC of PHUOC HAI village had set up a mine field (anti personnel) at RUNG CHOI ARVN YS499525, LONG PHU hamlet. No confirmation yet possible.

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ANNEX E TO
1 ATF INTSUM 134/70
DATED 14 MAY 70

1. Visual Recce.

DTG

Location

Sighting

Late Report.
110820H

YS528697

A clump of trees, the only thriving vegetation for 1000M contains a pool of water. Also a heavily used track leading into the trees from WEST and a lesser track leading NE.

Map Square
YS5468

Tracks show sign of recent use.

YS521713

There is an item of eqpt lying in the open, appears to be green plastic. Probably Aust lightweight sleeping kit.

2. - 4. Omitted.

5. APD (Sniffer).

DTG

Location

Readout

140930H YS385805

Maximum (maybe exhaust)

YS383807

Strong

YS392818

Strong

YS360795

Minimum

YS391799

Minimum

YS397820

Minimum

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- 1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No. 136-70.
- 2. Period covered from 160001H to 162400H May 70.
- 3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were 4 contacts with Task Force Elements.

a. Ground Activity.

(1) Other Areas

- (a) (152150H) At YS463587 5/B/8 RAR contacted 11 VC moving S to N. En wdr E and N. Res: 2 blood trails observed and 1 pr thongs CIA.
- (b) (160655H) At YS508519 7/C/7 RAR sighted 2 large junks. The junks sailed past 7 RAR posn at 0500H coming from LANG PHUOC HAI and went toward LONG HAI. Later sailed back and headed towards SONG RAI. 161 Recce Flt investigated and saw no hostile actions or wpns. Comment. Mov was 1 hr before curfew lifted. It is likely that sups are being moved by boat between PHUOC HAI, LONG HAI and SONG RAI but no evidence of it on this occasion.
- (c) (161150H) At YS478484 4 VC were engaged with Naval gunfire. Arty Air op observed 3 VC KIA(poss) 1 VC WIA but results not confirmed. Ground search failed to reveal bodies.
- (d) (160848H) At YS312668 1/W/2 RAR contacted 4 VC in bunker. Res: 1 VC WIA(BT), 1 sandal and 1 poncho CIA. Comment. Probably local guerillas PHUOC HOA.
- (e) (161938H) At YS313656 W/2 RAR contacted an unk no VC. Sentry fired at 25M and VC wdr West. Sweep to be conducted at first light.
- (f) (162040H) Area YS4753 5/B/8 RAR sighted lights and heard LMG type of fire in area. Arty engaged and secondary explosions heard.

b. Air Activity.

- (1) Omitted.
- (2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See ANNEX E.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

- a. Omitted.
- b. Omitted.
- c. Detainees.
 - (1)(2)(3)(5)(6). Omitted.
 - (4) Hoi Chanh - 1.
- d. Omitted.
- e. Enemy Weapons and Material Captured or Destroyed

- (1) Omitted.
- (2) Captured and Destroyed Material.
 - (a) Captured: 1 x pr thongs, 1 x sandal, 1 x poncho.
 - (b) Destroyed: 1 x 20' sampan, qty black clothing, qty cooking utensils.
- (3) Captured and Destroyed Foodstuff.

<u>CO-ORD</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>DISPOSITION</u>
YS342602	Rice(cooked)	1 x Pot	Destroyed

(4)(5) Omitted.

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f. Cumulative Totals for Month

- (1) KIA - 35 VC.
- (2) PW - Nil.
- (3) Hoi Chanh - 1.
- (4) VCI - Nil.
- (5) Individual Weapons - 14.
- (6) Crew Served Weapons - Nil.
- (7) Rice Captured - Nil tons.
- (8) 122mm Rockets (complete) - Nil.
- (9) 107mm Rockets (complete) - Nil.

5,6,7. Omitted.

8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 18-70 dated 12 May 70.

10. Omitted.

11. Miscellaneous.

a. Omitted.

b. Corrections to Previous INTSUMS.

(1) Ref INTSUM 135-70.

(a) Delete all reference Para 11 b (1) (a)(b)(c).

c. Omitted.

d,e. Omitted.

f. (1) (152350H) At YS299557 PSEDF contacted 2 VC. VC did not return fire. En cas unk. 1 civilian female wounded.

(2) (161130H) At YS485708 Albatross 07 located a truck and some Vietnamese, subsequently a ptl detained 18 pers in truck and pers from tractor loc at YS469705. Comment: Passed to NP DUC THANH who released them as innocent civilians from AP SOUI NGHE.

(3) (160830H) At YS342603, 4 PF Coy ambushed by VC force of unk size. 1 PF KIA. En cas unk. 1x20' sampan, qty black clothing, qty cooking utensils and 1 x Pot cooked rice CIA. All items destroyed.

(4) (161500H) At YS656683, member of HQ612 RF Coy tripped Fri booby trap. Left foot blown off and other serious injuries. Evac to ROK Hosp VUNG TAU.

(5) (161745H) A 19 year old female cook from HQ D440, LE THI HOA, rallied to HOA LONG, see ANNEX A.

(6) (16 May 70) At YS477507 an A/S was carried out. BDA unk.

(7) (16 May 70) At YS607883 an A/S was carried out on an old camp. BDA: 1 x bunker destroyed. 1 UXB.

(8) (16 May 70) At YS725713 an A/S was carried out. BDA: Nil.

(9) (161400H) At YS442631 1 VC Coy was sighted by 1 VN worker. VC moving west and were camouflaged with leaves. Graded C3.

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Attachments

ANNEX A - Interrogation Reports.
ANNEX E - Aerial Reconnaissance.

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Annex A (Interrogation Report)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 136-70
dated 16 May 70

INITIAL INTERROGATION REPORT
RALLIER LE THI HOA - D 440

1. The subject rallied to HOA LONG LONG LE District 16 May 70, having left her unit (HQ D440) on 14 May 70.
2. She was a cook with HQ D440. Only preliminary intg has been completed and much more detailed checks have yet to be made. Her knowledge is limited.
3. She states that HQ was loc (as at 14 May) on the SOUI CHAU PHA, vic YS341774 and that other sub-units (not yet ascertained) were in that vic from time to time. She prepared 50-100 litres of rice per meal which could indicate the presence of some 150-200 tps.
4. Sub-units were not staying in that area but left on cps for 2-3 days at a time.
5. Comment: It would be unusual for HQ to be so far west but current ops in the normal D440 base areas might have been responsible for such a move of the main administrative base. The subject has no direct knowledge of sub-units, but the amount of food cooked (and collected by sub-units) could indicate 2 coys plus possibly 30 on the HQ. The loc has been arrived at by map tracking and might not be accurate; further checks will be made.

Annex E (Aerial Reconnaissance)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 136-70
dated 16 May 70

1. Visual Recce

<u>DTG</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>SIGHTING</u>
160900H	YS477507	Living area in caves and scrub. Appears to have been used recently
160900H	YS467540 to YS474530	A track has had very heavy recent activity.

2-5 **Critted.**

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No. 137/70
2. Period covered from 170001H to 172400H May 70
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There was no contact with Task Force Elements.

a. Ground Activity(1) AO MAGIC

(a) Sweep conducted this morning by W/2 RAR/NZ as follow up to contact at 161938H at YS313656 (See INTSUM 136/70 Para 3 a (i)(e)) revealed nothing.

(2) AO CATHY

(a) (171450H). At YS507580, 3/A/ 1 Armd Regt located 7 X M16 mines without fuzes. Mines had been in the area for approx 1 month and all were approx 2" above ground level.

(b) (171600H). At YS532653, where Possum had earlier received 3 rounds of AK ground fire, tanks from 1 Armd Regt and Aslt Pnrs from 7 RAR found a staging camp with 14 lean-tos, and 11X 'U' shaped trenches with 12" OHP. Camp for approx 20-30 men recently used. 200lbs rice, 1 live chicken, 1 RPG round and some cooked rice hot in a pot recovered. Camp measured 100m long east to west, and 200m north to south.

Comment: VC coy posn. It cannot be ident but is likely to belong to a tpt gp (Gp 30) of BA LONG of 30 pers which has been in the area, or a coy of D445.

OTHER AREAS.

(a) Late Report (162200H). At YS468798 a tp from A Sqn 1 Armd Regt, a sect B Sqn 3 Cav Regt and Plant Tp 1 Fd Sqn sighted and engaged lights. Again at approx 162340H lights reappeared and were engaged. A sweep of the area revealed nothing.

(b) In square YS3473, ac from 161 Recce Flt located approx 40 ox carts. A/C headed the carts west and sector was to arrange intg/reception. 16X carts intercepted by 576RF Coy at 171400H. Investigation pending.

(c) Persons detained in cordon and search of AP TAY, HOA LONG on 13 May 70 (INTSUM 133/70 Para 3 a (i)(a) refers) were released to sector for interrogation and investigation.

b. Air Activity(1) Aircraft receiving ground fire.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORDS</u>	<u>TYPE OF FIRE</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
17 May	YS532653	3 rounds AK	No Hits

4. a.b.c.d. Omitted.

e. Enemy Weapons and Material Captured or Destroyed.

(1) Omitted.

(2) Captured and Destroyed Material.

(a) Captured. 7X M16 mines (without fuzes), 1 XRPG round.

(b) Omitted.

(3) Captured and Destroyed Foodstuff.

<u>CO-ORD</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>DISPOSITION</u>
YS532653	Rice	200lbs	Unk.
YS532653	Live Chicken	1	"

@.\$. Omitted.

f. Cumulative Totals For Month.

- (1) KIA - 35 VC
- (2) PW - Nil
- (3) Hoi Chanh - 1
- (4) VCI - Nil
- (5) Individual Weapons - 14
- (6) Crew Served Weapons - Nil
- (7) Rice Captured 0.1 Tons.
- (8) 122m Rockets (complete) - Omitted.
- (9) 107mm Rockets (complete) - Omitted.

5. New Obstacles, Barriers and Fortifications.

- a. Omitted.
- b. Enemy Emplaced Mines and Booby Traps.
 - (1) Destroyed by Friendly Forces.
7 X M16 mines (without fuzes).
 - (2) Omitted.

6,7,9,10. Omitted.

8, Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 18/70 dated 12 May 70.11. Miscellaneous.

- a. Omitted.
- b. Corrections to Previous INTSUMS
 - (1) Ref INTSUM 136/70.
 - (a) Para 3: Amend to read "There were two contacts with Task Force Elements"
 - (b) Para 3.a. (I)(a) Amend DTG to read 152001H and insert before DTG "Further to contact at" After unit insert (INTSUM 135/70 Para 3a(i)(b) refers.
 - (c) Insert Para 4c (2) Innocent Civilians - 18
 Delete all references to the following Paras, Para 4 c(4), Para 4 e(2)(b), Para 4 e(3), Para 4 f(3), Para 11 f (4).
 - (d) Para 11 f (a) after Graded C3 insert (Aust)
 - (2) Ref INTSUM 133/70
 - (a) Para 3; amend "There was one contact with Task Force elements".

c.d.e. Omitted.

f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

- (a) Late Report (162300H). At YS373612 an estimated VC squad entered LONG HUONG village and attempted to enter house of local land owner. NAM HA who fled but was shot in the leg. VC motive unk. NP investigation.
- (b) Late Report (162303H and 162330H). At YS424597, 22 PF Pl were twice engaged by an estimated VC squad of 15-20 en. VC fired B40, AK47's and M79 and wdr south. Res. En cas. unk. 1PF WIA.
- (c) (170600H). At YS490592, 578 RF Coy located 2 road blocks consisting of piles of junk. Road blocks were removed by RF without incident.
- (d) Airstrikes

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORD</u>	<u>Results</u>
161004H	YS477508	1X Cave ent dest.
16112H	YS788900	1X bridge badly damaged, 1 X sec explosion.
161127H	YS788888	No BDA
161204H	YS725713	1X Cow KBA
161400H	YS607883	1X bkr dest, 1X bkr exp.
171125H	YS547831	2X bkrs, 1X bkr exp, 1X hut damaged.

171414H YS687627 3 X bkrs damaged.
 171440H YS687627 2 + blkrs dest

(e) (171930H). At YS555555 a hoeward bound fisherman sighted 150VC (possibly in 3
 3 gps of 50 moving SW towards PHUOC HAI. Comment: No evaluation given but consider-
 ed very unlikely.

Attachments

ANNEX A - Interrogation Reports.
 ANNEX C - Agent Reports.
 ANNEX E - Aerial Reconnaissance.

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ANNEX C (Agent Reports)
 to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 137/70.

AGENT REPORT (VN C3) 15 May 70. dated 17 May 70.

1/ Approx 40 VC armed with B40/AK47/CKC have been regulary entering AP SOUI NGHE,
 and will continue to do so, from the west and SW. Gp normally enters about 2200HRS to
 collect food sups and incl NAM KIEN.

Comment: KIEN is comd CHAU DUC Dist Unit. If the report is true, the large gp would
 indicate a substancial sup pick up. The gp could invlude pers of D440 as well as CHAU
 DUC. C1 Rep/1 ATF at LONG DIEN reports that VC sups are being moved to SOUI NGHE/DUC MY
 from LONG DIEN, since the supplier (DUONG) from Baria was arrested. The frequency of
 visits above was not stated and the info will be checked further. Note intg report
 ANNEX A, D440 obtained 1000 litres of rice between 9-12 May, according to r allier
 LE THI HOA, from an unknown source.

ANNEX E (Aerial Reconnaissance)
 to 1 ATF INTSUM NO. 137/30
 dated 17 May 70.

1 Visual Recce: (161650H).

(a) At YS346629, a well worn and recently used tracks leads to the site of an old
 ruin at this loc, **originating** from a track shown on the map to the SE. A shelter is
 built amongst rocks on the upper slope of the **ruin**, but does not appear to be
 inhabited.

(b) (161650H). At YS342626 possible RV or collection point. An area under low scrub
 at this point shows light tracks and branches under the canopy have been cut within the
 last 2 weeks. Tracks lead into this area from AP KIM HAI, and from this area into the
 hills.

Many other well worn tracks lead into the hills from the west, some which appear
 to have been established for a number of years and have been used by ARVN. Of these
 tracks the two most consistently used lead off the tracks marked on the map from
 YS331623 and YS324632. There are numerous track from Route 15 as far as the base of the
 hills which are in current use by local people.

(c) (171700H) In area of YS34-37E, 76-80N. very fresh track runs west to east along
 south edge of rubber, disperses into civ access area.

(d) (171700H) In area of YS42-44E, 81-83N. very fresh tracks running west to east through
 centre of clearing. Fresh tracks run NE for 2,000 metres from YS342776, then disappear
 into heavy under growth

SUPPLEMENTARY INTERROGATION
RALLIER LE THI HOA - HQ D440

Reference 1 ATF INTSUM 136/70 ANNEX A.

1. Base Area Locs. When D440 is operating in CHAU DUC Dist the unit usually bases at TRE Base (vicinity YS420850), K Base (vicinity YS387755) or HAT DICH Secret Zone (vicinity YS341773). As at 14 May when the subject rallied the admin HQ and at least one coy were at HAT DICH Base.
Comment: K Base and TRE Base are known D440 base areas. The subject states that the whole unit was together on 14 May but this is considered improbable. C6 is believed to be still associated with D445 or returned to XUAN LOC Dist to BA LONG HQ, and C8 is now an organic sub-unit of BA LONG. Also the subject states the cooks were issued 60 litres of rice per day from a cache near the base; this would be sufficient only for HQ and one coy. VR was flown by 1 ATF and 8 RAR in the vicinity of HAT DICH Base as described by the subj; at YS341766 recently used tracks lead into a well trodden area under trees. No subj states that there are no bunkers here and pers sleep in hammocks, so this VR report could well be a closer indication of the Base loc.
2. Admin. The subj cooked food at 0600, 1100 and 1800 hrs daily on fires in the open under the trees (heavy canopy), producing little smoke. Water is drawn from the stream 50 metres away to the east.
Comment: No special measures are taken to hide fires or smoke. Red Haze will be flown as available from FFV for further check of the area.
3. Fd Defs. There are no bunkers. There are both anti tank and AP mines on the approaches to the base. Each coy base has 3 sentries posted at 15-30 mins walk from base not known whether in trees or on the ground. Each coy always has a sect on ptl around the base, each ptl duty for 2 hrs.
4. Future Intentions. Between 4-9 have the comd HUNG TAM conducted a political orientation course. It was stated that the next mission was to be an attack on an Aust post (unspecified). A special reserve of rice was brought and stored by C5 after the course and the comd with OC C5 went on a recce to make preps. They returned on about 11 May. From this the subj assumed that ops were imminent as it was stated that preps had been completed. Comment: The normal tgt areas of D440 (ie. BINH BA, DUC HY, DUC THANH, HOA LONG) were not mentioned at the political session, only an Aust post. The most likely post for an attack by fire or small spr attack would appear to be NDP ELIZABETH. The subject states that D440 had 2X 82 mm mortars, but other holds that C8 only had mors and those were loc with BA LONG. However a det would have been made avail to the unit for an op. Other collatral also indicated that the primary aim of D440 in HY is to sp mining ops of BA LONG Engrs on Route 2, but an attack against an NDP could fall within this directive.
5. Ground Description at HAT DICH Base. This is in an area of light primary jungle, relatively clear of under growth with large trees. It would be difficult for air recce to see the base. It is described as easy walking for a person with a load on his back. Sub unit bases are spaced in line along the west bank of the stream about 50 metres apart with HQ in the centre.
6. Transport. The subject has not yet heard of ox carts delivering sups to the area. Sups are carried in by pers of the unit. She has not seen ox carts at all near the base. Comment: Timber cutters and numerous ox carts (some 40-50 noticed on 17 May) have been evident in the gen area to within 1000 metres of the base area described. She does not know where sups are brought from.
7. Lights/Fires. At night fires are not used but small personal kerosine lamps are used in the coys and H.
8. Comms. She has not seen any wireless or tele comms at the base; she believed comm was by courier.
9. Gen Comment. It is difficult to evaluate this source and further recce has been arranged. Some detail is true by other collabral, but some is not (eg presence of all coys). However the source could not be expected to have a very good knowledge of activities or tps in the gen area and security measures would not permit her to move around freely. The unit will be aware the source has rallied and would most probably as a matter of course have moved to an alternative base; the unit should already have moved out to commence its mission, if the statement on intention was true, and VR would have revealed our interest in the area. However, it is possible that as res sup of rice would have been left hidden in the area if the unit moved out at short notice. If the unit has moved and intended to attack NDP ELIZABETH, it could have moved to the area of the BINH BA guerillas base on the SUOP DA DEN (YS4074) K Base (YS3875) or TRE Base (YS4285). An attempt to conduct an offensive op is possibly imminent.

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No. 138-70.
2. Period covered 180001H to 182400H May 70.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were no contacts with Task Force Elements.

a. Ground Activity

(1) AO QUARTERMILE

(a) Late report. (172000H) at YS393636, 1/A/8 RAR sighted approx 8 en 400-500m SE of their loc mov South. En not eng because of distance and speed of mov.

(2) AO CATHY

(a) Late report. (172000H) at YS570567, ac from 161 (Indep) Recce Flt sighted four bicycles, at 172045H at YS570567, ac sighted and eng 1xVC in open riding a bicycle heading SW. Results: 1xVC KBA (BC).

(b) (181600H) At YS570657, 4/B/7 RAR loc a transit area of one hut and one bkr, six months old, last used four weeks ago. Mine marker loc but no mines.

(c) (181900H) At YS574671, B/7 RAR loc a tunnel, 15 ft long with large room at rear, tunnel destroyed.

(3) AO MAGIC

(a) (180800H) At YS323630, 3/W/2 RAR/NZ detained 4xVN, at approx 181100H a further 10xVN were detained. Detainees were taken to PHUOC HOA for intg and later released as innocent civilians.

Comment. Local auth should promulgate civ access regulations and enforce. Also see INTSUM 137/70 para 2 a (b) ref to 40 oxcarts beyond civ access.

(b) (181005H) At YS325625, 3/W/2 RAR/NZ sighted mov, no eng area with unknown results.

(4) Other Areas

(a) Late report. (171715H) At YS334736, Bushranger ac sighted 1xVC, at 171730 at YS341765 ac sighted 1xVC running towards a clump of bamboo, the area was eng. Results: 1xVC KBA (Poss).

(b) (182030H) At approx YS505538, ATK/7 RAR sighted 10 en mov generally East. Not engaged.

(c) (182122H) At YS506545 a ptl from C/7 RAR sighted 7 en mov NE. NFI.

b. Omitted.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a. Total KIA occurring during this reporting period.

- (1) Omitted.
- (2) Aust Inflicted - 1 VC.
- (3) Omitted.

b. Omitted.

c. Detainees.

- (1) Omitted.
- (2) Innocent Civilians - 14.
- (3)-(6) Omitted.

d. e. Omitted.

f. Cumulative Totals for Month.

- (1) KIA - 35 VC.
- (3) Hoi Chanh - 1.
- (5) Individual Weapons - 14.
- (7) Rice Captured - 0.1 tons.

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5. New Obstacles, Barriers and Fortifications.

- a. Omitted.
- b. Enemy emplaced Mines and Booby Traps.
 - (1) Destroyed by Friendly Forces.

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1x30 lb mine loc at YS462820 by 1 Fd Sqn.

- (2) Resulting in Friendly Losses.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO=ORD</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
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180800H	YS525544	20 lbs	1 tank damaged.
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6. 7. Omitted.

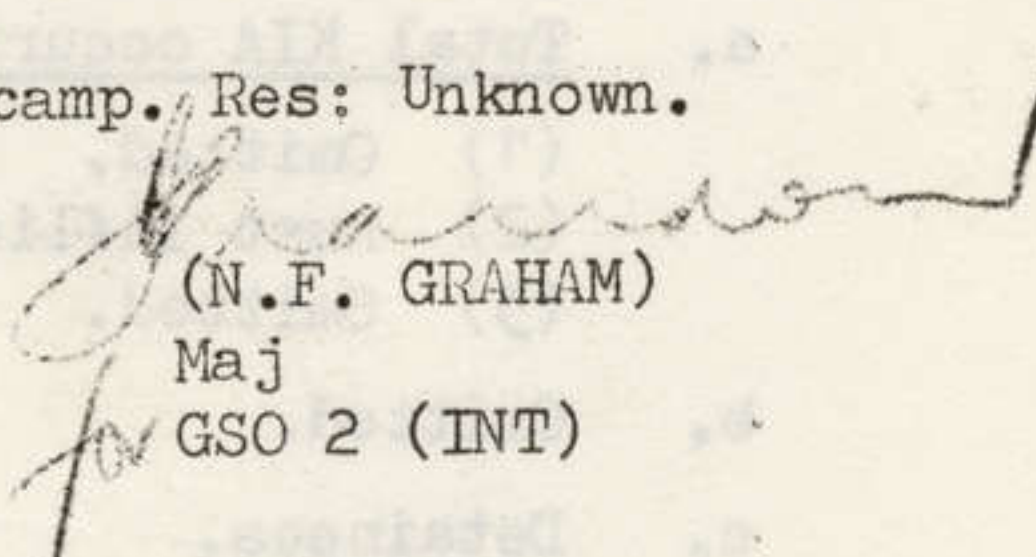
8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 18/70 dated 12 May 70.

9. 10. Omitted.

11. Miscellaneous.

- a. Omitted.
- b. Corrections to previous INTSUMS.
 - (1) Ref INTSUM 137/70.
 - (a) Para 4 f (3) delete all reference.
 - (b) Annex E (Aerial Reconnaissance) Para (c) amend area covered to read YS42-44 E, 81-83 N.
 - (c) Annex E (Aerial Reconnaissance) Para (d) amend area covered to read YS34-37 E, 76-80 N.
 - (2) Ref INTSUM 135/70.
 - (a) Para 4 f (1) Amend to read 34, amend subsequent INTSUMS accordingly.
- c.-e. Omitted.
- f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

- (1) Late report (172100H) At YS484613, 772 RF Coy contacted an est VC pl who returned fire with SA and AW and wdr North. Res: Nil friendly cas, 3xVC KIA (BC).
- (2) (180100H) At YS380620, PSDF contacted 3 VC with unk results, nil friendly cas.
- (3) (181035H) At YS344766, A/S on base camp. Res: three bkrs damaged and exposed.
- (4) (181127H) At YS476511, A/S on base camp. Res: three cave entrances collapsed.
- (5) (181155H) At YS477512, A/S on base camp. Res: Unknown.


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Attachments

ANNEX B - Captured Documents.
ANNEX E - Aerial Reconnaissance.

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ANNEX B (Captured Documents)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 138/70
dated 18 May 70.

CAPTURED DOCUMENT REPORT

1. Documents captured by 772 RF Coy at YS484613 on 17 May 70 included the following:
- a. Qty of envelopes.
From K13 to E42 (not ident) dated 3 May 70.
From K10 to E42 (not ident) (to Bay Phong) dated 20 Apr 70.
From K50 to Bay Phong (not ident) dated 12 Apr 70.
 - b. Two receipt books signed by NGUYEN THANH BINH of the BA LONG Finance and Economy Section.
 - c. A letter and envelope from MUOI CUONG (aka for TRAN VAN CUONG possibly Political Officer for PHUOC THANH Party Chapter, LONG DAT District) to K10 (not ident) dated 17 May 70 concerning reorientation training for PHUOC THANH.
 - d. A letter from TRONG dated 29 May ? to BAY PHONG, NAM NGHIA, NAM THANH (All three of Finance Sect of LONG DAT).
 - e. A directive from TA VAN TRONG for the Current Affairs Committee of LONG DAT to PHUOC HOA LONG, PHUOC THO and PHUOC THANH and rice collection on 12 Apr 70 from DAT DO.
 - f. A diary giving a report on activities, the latest dated 16 May 70 stating that at PHUOC LOI the Australian land clearing team bulldozed over a tunnel system and on the night of 16 May 70 the VC had to dig themselves out and move to Area 1.
- Comment. Land clearing was being done in area YS 5158, a normal area for the small group of PHUOC LOI guerillas, on that date. Area 1 is the gen base area astride the SUOI LO O NHO, SUOI GIAU and SONG RAI between 66 and 70 northings.

ANNEX E (Aerial Reconnaissance)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 138/70
dated 18 May 70.

1. Visual Recce

<u>DTG</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Sighting</u>
180800H- 180935H	YS488511	Small caves with bracken branch on entrance. Leaves just wilting. Fresh track from base of hills runs up re-entrant.
	YS472502	Centre of a complex of fresh tracks. Tracks run to the NE, SW and to the feature to the NW. Ruins on feature YS471503 have fresh tracks surrounding them.
181727H	YS481552	1 x bunker in hill. Freshly dug in the last few days.

2. Omitted.

3. Red Haze Activity

<u>DTG</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Readout</u>
180100H	YS315797	1 in woods
	YS ³ 73802	1 near stream
	YS351795	1 in woods
	YS378785	1 near stream
	YS373756	1 near stream
	YS378758	1 in woods
	YS366751	1 in woods
	YS331730	1 on trail
	YS406697	1 in rice paddy

4. Omitted.

5. APD (Sniffer)

	<u>Location</u>	<u>Readout</u>
181015H	YS536730	Strong
181115H	YS558700	

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 139/70.
2. Period covered from 190001H to 192400H May 70.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were three contacts with Task Force Elements.

a. Ground Activity.

(1) AO CATHY.

(a) Late Report. (182340H) At YS507541 a ptl from 7/C/7 RAR contacted approx 3 VC. Res: 3 VC KIA (BC), 2 VC WIA (drag marks to SE), 2xM16 rifles, 1xM1 carbine, 3 packs, 120lb rice, 1xM26 gren, 1xM79 rd, qty of food, qty clo, qty webbing, 7xM16 mags, 1xM2 mag and a wallet containing docus. See para 6.

(b) (191155H) At YS558678 a ptl from 5/B/7 RAR located a body killed by GSW, and 1xM1 carbine. Credit ed to 5/B/7 RAR contact on 121120H May 70. (INTSUM 132/70 para 3.a.(1)(a) refers).

(2) AO QUARTERMILE.

(a) (191350H) At YS419736 a ptl from 12/D/8 RAR contacted 1 VC who approached from the west and wdr west, with unk results.

(b) (192035H) At YS399634 1/A/8 RAR received 1xM79 rd into the area of their AP. Nil friendly cas.

(3) AO BENDIGO.

(a) (191955H) At YS447522 Sp/8 RAR engaged 3 en with mors with unk res. Air recce to be conducted tomorrow.

(4) Other Areas.

(a) (191130H) At YS457848 Plant Tp 1 Fd Sqn and Tp of A Sqn 1 Armd Regt contacted 1 en moving east with unk results.

b. Air Activity.

(1) Omitted.

(2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See ANNEX E.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a. Omitted.

b. Total KIA discovered during this reporting period that were killed but not reported in a previous period.

(1) Omitted

(2) Aust Inflicted - 4 VC

(3) Omitted.

c.d. Omitted.

e. Enemy Weapons and Material Captured or Destroyed.

(1) Captured Weapons.

(a) Individual - 4

(b) Crew Served - Nil.

(c) Breakdown - 2xM16, 2xM1.

(2) Captured and Destroyed Material.

(a) Captured: See para 3.a.(1)(a).

(b) Omitted.

(3) Captured and Destroyed Foodstuff.

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YS507541

Assorted foodstuffs in small quantities.

(4)(5) Omitted.

f. Cumulative Totals For Month.

(1) KIA - 38 VC

(2)-(4) Omitted

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- (5) Individual Weapons - 18
- (6) Omitted
- (7) Rice Captured - 0.2 tons.
- (8)(9) Omitted.

5. Omitted

6. Enemy Unit Identification, Location and Movements.

a. Docus captured on the VC KIA by 7/C/7 RAR at YS507541 at 182340H May 70 indicated that the VC was probably NGUYEN DUNG a member of the Surgical Section of D445.

7. Omitted.

8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 18/70 dated 12 May 70.

9.10. Omitted.

11. Miscellaneous.

a. Omitted.

b. Corrections to Previous INTSUMS.

(1) Ref INTSUM 138/70:

- (a) Para 4.f.(3) delete all ref.
- (b) Para 3.a.(2)(a) delete all ref to KBA (BC).
- (c) Para 4.a.(2) delete all ref.
- (d) Para 4.f.(1) amend to read 34 VC.

c-e. Omitted.

f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

(1) Late Report (182020H) At YS558557 a cyclist moving west was engaged by AC. He was wounded and ran into the sea. A further sweep of the area failed to locate him. In the same area 3 bicycles were sighted, but no sign of pers.

(2) Late Report. (182140H) At YS484593 578 RF Coy ambush contacted 4-5 VC who returned fire and wdr north with unk results.

(3) (190600H) DUC THANH Sector reported that NGUYEN VAN TU (Aka DONG) rallied at XA BANG. See ANNEX A.

(4) (191620H) At YS344766 A/S on an en camp. Results: 3 bkrs destroyed, 1 bkr damaged and exposed.

(5) (191600H) HQ Sector advises that fisherman reported 20 VN burying something at grid YS390585 and then cam posn with leaves. Possibly VC intend to mor Baria Van Kiep. VN have no plans to search area at this time.

(6) (192130H) At YS494593 578 RF Coy was engaged by an estimated VC platoon. Nil friendly cas, VC cas unk.

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Attachments:

- ANNEX A - Interrogation Reports.
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INTERROGATION REPORT

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA.

- 1. Name - NGUYEN VAN TU
- Aka - DONG
- D/POB - 1949, BINH TRUNG, GO CONG.
- Rank Appt - Soldier.
- Unit - No 2 Hamlet, NGAI GIAO Village Unit.

Details of Return.

- 2. Receiving Unit - XA BANG RF Post.
- Date - 19 May 70.

Exploited Info.

3. Before the 14 Apr 70 the NGAI GIAO Party Chapter and Village Unit was located at YS438848. On the 14 Apr 70 the unit was hit by an airstrike. The subject does not know the present location.

4. No 2 Hamlet.

Task: To patrol in the area from YS450860 to YS450820 and to warn the Village Unit if they sight Allied units.

Strength: 4 (including the subject).

5. In late Jan 70 the subject saw approx a platoon of VC (possibly D440) moving from the SW at YS420850 to the CHAU LAC plantation at YS445875, the Viet Cuong and Ba Cui Plantation. The subject states that he hasn't seen any VC in the area since the Australians commenced ops in the area.

6. The subject states that before Feb 70 VC transportation groups carrying food used to cross Route 2 at approx YS458900 moving to Ba Cui Plantation at approx YS457885.

ANNEX B (Captured Documents)
to 1 ATF INTSUM 139/70
dated 19 May 70.

CAPTURED DOCUMENTS REPORT.

- 1. Ref INTSUM 138/70 ANNEX B para 1.a. ORBAT information indicates that the E and K LBN's mentioned are sub-sections of Long Dat District.
- E42 is the Finance and Economy Section of Long Dat Dist HQ.
- K10 is possibly the Long Dat Current Affairs Committee.
- K13 and K50 are unidentified.
- BAY PHONG is a member of the F & E Section of Long Dat.

ANNEX E (Aerial Reconnaissance)
to 1 ATF INTSUM 139/70
dated 19 May 70.

1. Visual Recce.

DIG	Location	Sighting.
181430H	YS556698	Light track activity with palm fronds laid out under trees.
Late report		Several converging well used tracks.
	YS577702	Tracks are wide and worn smooth. (Old camp with 8 bkrs recorded in this loc).
	YS584708	A camp area, some wire from the ground, across the trees for 30M, then down again. Possible aerial. (400M from recorded old D445 base camp, Apr 70).
190800H	LONG HAI	Well used track YS488511 in re-entrant around hill to YS488515 to YS487521, previously reported and cont to show sign of use. Fresh prints after rain at YS488511.
191000H	Map sq YS5468	Well used track.

2.4.5. Omitted.

3. Red Haze Activity.

181800H YS351715 1 on trail YS354712 1 on trail YS492754 2 in open

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- 1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 141-70
- 2. Period covered from 210001H to 212400H May 70
- 3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were two contacts with Task Force Elements.

a. Ground Activity

(1) AO CATHY

(a) (21 May 70) At YS523658, 1/A/7 RAR loc rest area 100m by 30m consisting of 6 bunkers with 2 ft OHP. Last used 5-7 days ago, Recovered were: qty docus and asstd eqpt. Located just prior to contact in para 3.a. (1) (b).

(b) At YS517662 1/A/7RAR with tp of B Sqn and tp of tks from A Sqn contacted en coy bunker posn. 5 VC KIA, 3 PW. 1xAK47, 1xM16, 1xM72, 1 RPG, 7 RPG rds and qty asstd ammo CIA. (Further search to be completed of tunnels) and friendly cas 1 KIA, 12 WIA (4 remained on duty).

Comment. Initial ident of PW and docus C2/D445. PW and docus show C2 had str 37; also in area of contact 7 pers of C4, 10 pers of Recce Pl HQ D445 and HAI KHANH, Political Offr D445. The recce pl probably providing protection for the comd gp HQ D445. Intg reports to follow.

(2) AO MAGIC

(a) (210925H) At YS328629, ptl from 3/W/2RAR/NZ contacted one en mov west. Res: 1 VC KIA (BC), one 7.62mm Chicom pistol and qty of docus CIA.

(b) (210925H) At YS328638, ptl from 3/W/2RAR/NZ loc 6 one man bunkers, one cookhouse with rock and log OHP. Camp was occupied by KIA, in para 3.a.(2) (a) above, and another est 6 en recently. Recovered were 2 large ponchos used as water containers. A track from NE to SW was also loc.

(c) (211410H) At YS326640, W/2RAR loc a camp consisting of 6 bunkers and several fireplaces. Last occupied 2 hrs prior to entry.

(3) Other Areas

(a) Late report. (201920H) At YS256655, 3 Tp B Sqn 3 Cav Regt contacted an unk no of VC (poss 3) in a sampan with unk results.

(b) Late report. (202230H) At YS466796, tk from A Sqn 1 Armd Regt sighted and eng an unk no of en. En returned fire with M16 and AK47. Arty from LE LOI eng area with unk results.

(c) (210600H) At YS482490, ac from 161 Recce Flt sighted VC body on beach and a boat wreck. Comment. Sightings previously of sampans at in area of LONG HAIS, probably delivering sups, engaged by arty with unk results.

(d) (211613H) At YS465552, LCT from 17 Const Sqn and a tp of B Sqn 3 Cav Regt loc and destroyed 4 three man bunkers and 1 five man bunker with 3 ft OHP. Track leads south from camp. Camp last used 2 days ago. Recovered were: qty torch btys, qty eating utensils, empty pack and a 4 gal drum one third full of rice. Comment. One of a no of bunker systems used by D445 as temp hiding areas on approach or wdr from DAT DO.

b. Air Activity

(1) Omitted

(2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See ANNEX A

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4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a. Total KIA occurring During This Reporting Period.

- (1) Omitted
- (2) Aust Inflicted - 6 VC
- (3) Omitted

b. Omitted

c. Detainees.

- (1) PW - 3
- (2-6) Omitted

d. Omitted

e. Enemy Weapons and Material Captured or Destroyed.

(1) Captured Weapons.

- (a) Individual - 5
- (b) Crew Served - Nil
- (c) Breakdown - 1 x AK 47
1 x M16
1 x M72
1 x RPG
1 x 7.62 Chicom pistol

(2) Captured and Destroyed Material.

(a) Captured.

- 2 ponchos
- qty torch btys
- qty eating utensils
- 1 pack (empty)
- 1 x 4 gal drum
- asstd eqpt (NFI)

(d) Omitted

(3)(4)(5) Omitted

f. Cumulative Totals for Month.

- (1) KIA - 48 VC
- (2) PW - 3
- (3) Hoi Chanh - Nil
- (4) VCI - Nil
- (5) Individual Weapons - 24
- (6) Crew Served Weapons - Nil
- (7) Rice Captured 0.5 tons
- (8) 122mm Rockets (Complete) Nil
- (9) 107mm Rockets (Complete) Nil.

5-6-7. Omitted.

8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 19/70 dated 19 May 70.

9-10. Omitted.

11. Miscellaneous.

a. Omitted

b. Corrections to Previous INTSUMS

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(1) Ref INTSUM for 20 May 70:

(a) Para 1, amend INTSUM No to read "140-702."

(b) Para 11.f.(8), add "en wdr NNE with unk results".

c. Omitted

d. Agent Reports. See ANNEX C.

e. Omitted

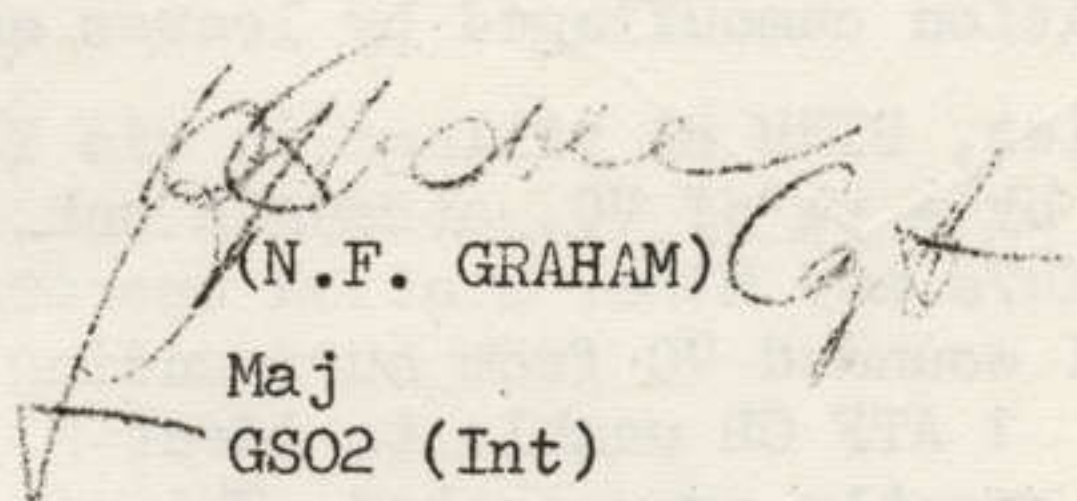
f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

(1) (201612H) At YS478502, 577 RF Coy loc 3 tunnels/caves. Recovered were: 1 poncho, qty of salt, qty empty fuel cans and 1 can of kero. Approx 100m from entrance, each tunnel had large room. One room had underground stream and all rooms appeared to have contained med sups. System last used approx one week ago. Comment. Area previously occupied by LONG DAT DIST and some of D445.

(2) (210200H) At YS421641, NPFF contacted 3-4 VC mov west through AP DONG. En wdr NW with unk results.

(3) (210915H) At YS595856, RAAF conducted a/s on en camp. BDA: 2 fighting posns exposed, 4 bunkers exposed and 10m trench line exposed.

(4) (211339H) At YS715817, RAAF conducted a/s on en camp - BDA: 2 bunkers destroyed and 1 bunker damaged.


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ANNEX A - Interrogation Reports.

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ANNEX A TO
1 ATF INTSUM No 141-70
DATED 21 May 70

INITIAL INTERROGATION REPORTS

1. RALLIER: LE VAN CU.
UNIT: PHU MY GUERRILLAS.
EXPLOITED INFO. The subject didn't live with the guerrillas but used to go out daily and pass information and food to them. He usually met the VC in the vicinity of YS283753.
2. PW: DAO THI HIEM.
UNIT: CHAU DUC DISTRICT UNIT.
EXPLOITED INFO. The subject states that the CHAU DUC DIST PARTY COMMITTEE are in the vicinity of YS346667 in caves. The location of C41 is not known but the subject believes it is in the same area. The subject states that claymore mines are positioned in the YS346667 area as follows:
 - 1 is on the trail from the west to the base camp.
 - 1 is in a bomb crater
 - 3 are near the caves where the VC are living.

ANNEX C To
1 ATF INTSUM No 141-70
DATED 21 May 70

AGENT REPORT (VN:B2) III COASTAL ZONE IO

A VC med station camouflaged by leaves and branches is located under thick foliage near BA BANG hamlet, BINH BA village in vic YS410750. Surrounded by def fortifications and guarded by a pl of VC, strength unk, commanded by MUOI DUONG. Wpns incl 12.7mm HMG, B40, AK47s and M16s. Station operated by one doctor, 14 female and 3 male medics. Receives all wounded VC from surrounding area.
S2 Comment: 1 ATF OB unable to identify MUOI DUONG. The str of def cell, med staff and wpns appear greatly exaggerated. This is close to a known base area of BINH BA Guerrillas however and it is possible a small med post is located here.

ANNEX E (Aerial Reconnaissance)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No 141-70
dated 21 May 70.

1. Visual Recce.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Sighting</u>
201200H	YS525812	Track junction. Track from SW is heavy but not used in past week. Other tracks are light.
211800H	YS517663	Camp, possibly 12 months old, has fresh diggings in area with camouflage covering many new holes.
"	YS498683	2 bunkers, quite old but in good condition, plus several fighting pits.
211210H	YS392843	3 bunkers and 1 tunnel entrance in good condition with recent use. Suspect more bunkers under heavy canopy.
"	YS396850	Heavy used track not used for 7 days crosses creek at this location. Then runs parallel to creek as far as YS397869. Poss track of D/3RAR when last in area.
211725H	YS554668	2 huts with galvanized iron on top and fresh tracks in area.

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- 1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 142/70.
- 2. Period covered from 220001H to 222400H May 70.
- 3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were six contacts with Task Force Elements.

a. Ground Activity.

(1) AO CATHY.

- (a)(220610H) At YS517661, a ptl from 3/A/7 RAR contacted 1 en moving from west to east wh0 wdr north on contact. Res: Unk.
- (b)(221000H) At YS485698, ac sighted 2 ox carts, later at YS490718, ac sighted a further 4 ox carts and 1 tractor heading into rubber. A ptl from C/2 RAR was despatched to apprehend at YS461718. NP detained person for interrogation.
- (c)(220940H) At YS519639, a sect of B Sqn 3 Cav Regt contacted 3-4 VC who engaged APC while members were questioning several women, sect returned fire and women disappeared and en wdr. Res: unk.
- (d)(220940H) At YS521648, a sect of B Sqn 3 Cavt Regt loc a cache containing 100lbs of rice.
- (e)(221450H) At YS572664, 4/B/7 RAR contacted 1 LF en moving south to north. Res: 1 VC KIA(BC), 1 pack, a qty of med supplies, 1XM26 gren, a qty of NVN currency and 1 letter CIA.
- (f)(221610H) At YS574671, B/7 RAR contacted est 4-5 en who wdr east across SONG RAI.
- (g)(221659H) At YS574671 B/7 RAR contacted 2 LF who approached south along track. On contact en wdr south and split up, heading south and north. Res: 1 VC WIA(BT).
- (h)(222030H) From the HORSESHOE, 7 RAR observed a light at YS505625. Light went out after engagement by mortar.
- (i)(221922H) At YS519661 A/7 RAR located an extensive bkr system 100mX 100m comprising of 3 X8'X8'X5', 10 empty holes 7'X3'X2', possibly graves, 12 X wpns pits OHC of from 12-24". Approx 1 year old, but recently improved and occupied. A well is within the area. Recovered were: qty docus, clothing, wpns, ammo and eqpt. NFI 2 X old instantaneous M26 gren set up as booby traps. All pits destroyed.

(2) AO QUARTERMILE.

- (a)(221445H) At YS373750 air reported a probably occupied bkr system.
- (b)(221930H) At YS398722, 8/C/2 RAR sighted an unk person apparently observing from SE end of hill. Area engaged by arty. 3 rifle shots heard when arty started.

(3) AO MAGIC.

- (a)(221045H) At YS308657, W/2 RAR/NZ loc body about 5-6 days old. Credited to contact of 1/W/2 RAR/NZ on 160840H at YS312668(INTSUM 136-70 para 3a (1)(d) refers.
- (b)(221445H) At YS324658 1/W/2 RAR/NZ contacted 15-20 en dressed in black in a bkr system, who fired RPG and AW. Res 1 VC KIA(BC) 1 X NZ WIA.

(4) Other Areas.

- (a) Late Report. (211100H) At YS470562 a sect of 1 Fd Sqn loc 7 bkrs and 2 wells, last occupied 1 week ago. Recovered were qty clothing, qty of docus, a small qty of ammo, a qty of cooking utensils, a set of bolt cutters, a primus stove, a qty of webbing, 1 Chicom blast gren, a qty of material and 1lb of rice.

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b. Air Activity.

- (1) Omitted.
- (2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See Annex E.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a. Total KIA occurring during this reporting period.

- (1) Omitted.
- (2) Aust inflicted - 2 VC.
- (3) Omitted.

b. Total KIA discovered during this reporting period that were kill but not reported in previous period.

- (1) Omitted.
- (2) Aust inflicted - 1 VC.
- (3) Omitted.

c. and d. Omitted.

e. Enemy Weapons and Material Captured or Destroyed.

- (1) Omitted.
- (2) Captured and Destroyed Material.

(a) Captured. Qty med supplies, qty webbing, qty NVN currency, 1 Chicom blast grenade, qty clothing, qty material, qty docus, 3 XM26 grens, small qty ammo(type unident) qty cooking utensils, set of bolt cutters, Primus stove.

(b) Omitted.

(3) Captured and Destroyed Foodstuff.

<u>Co-Ord</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
YS521648	Rice	100lbs	unk

(4) Omitted.

(5) Caches.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Co-Ord</u>	<u>Contents/ Comment</u>
220940	B Sqn 3 Cav	YS521648	100lbs rice

f. Cumulative Totals for Month.

- (1) KIA 51 VC
- (2) PW - 3
- (3) Hoi Chanh - Nil
- (4) VCI - Nil
- (5) Individual Wpns - 24
- (6) Crew Served Wpns - Nil
- (7) Captured Rice 0.55 tons.
- (8) and (9) Omitted.

5. New Obstacles, Barriers and Fortifications.

a. Omitted.

b. Enemy Enplaced Mines and Booby Traps.

- (1) Destroyed by Friendly Forces. Booby Trap - 2 X M26 grens at YS519661.
- (2) Omitted.

6. Enemy Unit Identification, Location and Movements.

a. Documents captured on the VC KIA by 3/W/2 RAR/NZ at YS328629 at 210925H May 70

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identify the KIA as LE THANH YEN, aka SAU YEN. A diary captured on the body indicates that YEN was the 2IC of the VUNG TAU Unit and possibly the assistant Secretary of the VUNG TAU Party Chapter in 1969- ORBAT holds YEN as the present Secretary having replaced the previous secretary who was transferred to BA LONG Prov HQ in Jan 70.

7. Omitted.
8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 19/70 dated 19 May 70.
9. Omitted.
10. Omitted.
11. Miscellaneous.

a. Omitted.

b. Corrections to Previous INTSUMS.

(1) Ref INTSUM 141-70.

(a) Para 3 a (1) (b) insert DTG 211515H before grid reference.

(2) Ref INTSUM 140-70.

(a) Para 3 amend to read " There were 2 contacts with Task Force Elements!"

c., d. and e. Omitted.

f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

(1) (221200H) At YS525783, 37PF P1 contacted 1 pl pf VC. Res: 1 PF KIA, 1 VC KIA(BC), 1 X M1 CIA.

(2) (220910H) At YS724868 A/S conducted by RAAF resulting in 1 X bkr dest and 1 X bkr exposed.

(3) (221345H) At YS392843 RAAF conducted an A/S which resulted in 2 bkrs exposed.

(4) (221550H) At YS373750 A/S conducted by USAF. BDA 2 X bkrs damaged.

(5) (221700H) A Hoi Chanh by the name of TRAN THI LUNG of C2/D445 rallied to RDC Team 10 at PHUOC LOI YS498567.

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- Annexes: 1. Annex A. - Interrogation Report
2. Annex E. - Aerial Reconnaissance

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MACV - CICV
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12 Cbt Avn Gp
BIEN HOA TAC
Advisory Team 48
Sector S2

INTERROGATION REPORT
LE VAN CU

ANNEX A TO
1 ATF INTSUM 142-70
DATED 22 MAY 70

Biographical Data

1. Name: Le Van Cu

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Aha : Be
D/POB : 1955 PHuoc Le
Unit ; Phu My Guerrillas

Details of Capture

2. Capturing Unit : Sector S2 Phuoc Tuy
Date; 18 May 70.

Exploited Information.

3. Phu My Party Chapter.

Strength : 8
Weapons : 2 X K54
 1 X M2 Carbine
 1 X Pistol (NFI)

Location : Approx YS282753.

4. Phu My Guerrilla Unit.

Strength ; 12
Weapons : 3 X carbines
 2 X AK47
 2 X SKS
 1 X M16
 1 X B40
 1 X Sub Machine gun
 3 X pistols.

Location : Approx YS282753.

5. Supplies. The Party Chapter and Guerrilla Unit are supplied by the people who work in the jungle along the SUOI BEN TAU (from YS2875-YS3276). The VC wait for the people at the above location from 0600H to 1800H everyday. Occasionally they infiltrate MY XUAN to obtain food.

AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE

ANNEX E TO
1 ATF INTSUM 142-70
DATED 22 MAY 70

1. Visual Recce.

DTG LOCATION

211530H YS554668

221010H YS373750

SIGHTING

Fresh track activity in area. Indication of large camp. Two galvanized iron huts sighted.

Eight or nine bkrs aligned north-south along dry creek bed. Fairly new, poorly built with about 6" OHC. One bkr in use. Four of the bkrs dug into creek bank with entrances in creek bed. COMMENT. There were 2 Red Haze readings in this vic on the 20 May 70 tending to sp this report.

2. Photo Interpretation Reports.

Date Flown Item Co-Ord
 No

Description of Item

11 May 70 1 297707

Isolated small man made clearing(possibly garden plot) 300 m east of large exposed rock on top of Nui Thi Vei. No apparent activity but possible access through trees and creek beds.

 2 306795

Possible underground entrance next to bomb crater with logs forming an "X" laid across it. Stream and cleared area 250m to South and East.

 3 352638

Small living area with one possible bkr and 3 "L" shaped fighting posns. Small cleared garden plot area with no signs of recent activity. Well defined foot trails from 378631 lead towards and slightly north of area. Foot traffic poss in creek bed adjacent to area.

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(a)

(b)

(c)

(d)

11 May 70 4 325593 Map Update Item. 2 huts and 2 structures in line. Possible military layout. Many possible sampan offloading sites: light activity around huts.

3., 4. and 5. Omitted.

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No. 143/70.
2. Period covered from 230001H to 232400H May 70.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There was one contact with Task Force Elements.
 - a. Ground Activity
 - (1) AO MAGIC
 - (a) Ref INTSUM 142/70 Para 3.a(3)(b). Recovered were 1 x SKS, and large qty other items. See para 4.e(2)(a).
 - (b) (231014H) At YS323643, 3/W/2RAR/NZ contacted 2 VC. En wdr NE. Results unk.
 - (2) AO CATHY
 - (a) (230820H) At YS507655, ATK/7 RAR loc a pair of bloodstained shorts and bloodstained bandages amongst some medical supplies. 1 x RPG booster CIA.
 - (b) (231300H) At YS547677, 6/B/7 RAR located bunker system 50m x 50m consisting of 11 fighting pits. 7 pits with OHP and 4 without. Constructed and occupied in last two weeks.
 - (c) (231958H) At YS530664, 3/A/7 RAR loc bunker system 100m x 100m consisting of 9 pits, 4 foxholes and 5 bunkers with 2' bOHP. Used approx 1 week ago. Qty docus, med supplies and eqpt also loc. System to be destroyed tomorrow.
 - (3) OTHER AREAS
 - (a) (232005H) At YS410750, 8 RAR reports no enemy or installation in area (ref ANNEX 'C' 1 ATF INTSUM 141/70.)
 - b. Omitted.
4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.
 - a. Total KIA occurring during this reporting period.
 - (1) Omitted.
 - (2) Aust Inflicted - Nil NVA Nil VC
 - (3) Omitted.
 - b. Total KIA discovered during this reporting period that were killed but not reported in a previous period.
 - (1) Omitted.
 - (2) Aust Inflicted - Nil NVA Nil VC
 - (3) Omitted.
 - c. Detainees.
 - (1) PW - Nil.
 - (2) Innocent Civilians - Nil,
 - (3) Civil Defendants - Nil.
 - (4) Hoi Chanh - Nil.
 - (5) Still Undergoing Interrogation - Nil.
 - (6) VCI Suspects - Nil.
 - d. Omitted.
 - e. Enemy Weaponry and Material Captured or Destroyed
 - (1) Captured Weapons.
 - (a) Individual - 1
 - (b) Crew Served - Nil
 - (c) Breakdown - 1 x SKS.

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(2) Captured and Destroyed Material.

(a) Captured. 6 x RPG7 rds, 4 x RPG2 rds. 6 x inertia grenades. (Markings AT. TH60/4. 55/66Y.) 1 x SKS grenade launcher. 2 heads and 4 fuzes. 3 x RPG boosters. 4 x AK47 mags (full). 2 x AK47 pouches. 2 x H67 grenades. 1 x M16 grenades. 10 x C HICOM grenades. 10 x US Claymore with 3 leads and switch. 50 x 7.62mm linked rds. 48 x .45 rds. 50 x AK47 rds. Small qty SKS rds. 12 x 7.62mm ballistite rds. 35' det cord. 100' safety fuze. 20 x M79 rds. 120 x 11b CHICOM explosives. 250 dets. 1 x electric and 2 x local pattern claymores. 1 x Aust collapsible water bag. 2 x entrenching tools. 1 pr ARVN boots. Local pattern booby traps, with 15 x pressure, 1 x pull and 1 x release switch. (All under construction). 8 x factory produced pressure switches. 6 x smoke grenades. 7 x local pattern booby traps located around camp. 1 x satchel charge (30lbs CHICOM explosive). 1 x medical kit with small qty sups. Qty clothing. Qty batteries, qty webbing, qty docus.

(3) Captured and Destroyed Foodstuff.

<u>CO-ORD</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>DISPOSITION</u>
YS324658	Rice	.5 ton	Destroyed.

(4)(5) Omitted.

f. Cumulative Totals For Month.

- (1) KIA - 51 VC
- (2) PW - 3
- (3) Hoi Chanh - Nil
- (4) VCI - Nil
- (5) Individual Weapons - .25
- (6) Crew Served Weapons - Nil
- (7) Rice Captured - 1.05 tons
- (8) 122mm Rockets (complete) - Nil
- (9) 107mm Rockets (complete) - Nil

5.6.7. Omitted.

8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 19/70 dated 19 May 70.

9.10. Omitted.

11. a. Omitted.

b. Corrections to Previous INTSUMS

(1) Ref INTSUM 142/70.

(a) Para 3.a.(1)(i). Add to bunkers located: "12 bunkers 2'x3'x 5'.

(b) ANNEX E, Para 2(Ph 1) item 4. column d. Delete "Map update item."

c.d.e. Omitted.

f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

Late Report.

(1) (211230H) At YS715817, a/s conducted on en camp. Results. 2 bunkers destroyed, 1 bunker damaged.

(2) Late report. (221250H) At YS392843, a/s conducted on en camp. Results. 3 bunkers exposed.

(3) Late report. (221250H) At YS373750, a/s conducted on en camp. Results. 2 bunkers damaged.

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- (4) Late report. (221430H) At YS373750, a/s conducted on en camp. Results. 1 bunker destroyed, 3 bunkers damaged.
- (5) Late report. (220800H) At YS714868, a/s conducted on en camp. Results. 1 bunker destroyed.
- (6) (231017H). At YS335655, 2 a/s conducted on en camp. Nil BDA.
- (7) (231040H) At YS335655. a/s conducted on en camp. Nil BDA.
- (8) (231130H) At YS335655, a/s conducted on en camp. Results. 3 caves covered up, 1 large secondary explosion.

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Attachments

- ANNEX A - Interrogation Reports.
- ANNEX E - Aerial Reconnaissance.

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- II FFORCE V
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- BIEN HOA RAC
- Advisory Team 48
- Sector S2

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ANNEX A (Interrogation Report)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No 143 /70
dated 24 May 70.

INTERROGATION REPORTS

1. Attached as Appendices I & II are interrogation reports for:
 - a. PW NGUYEN TOAN TRUNG
 - b. PW LY HIM
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APPENDIX I to ANNEX A
to 1 ATF INTSUM No /70
dated 24 May 70.

INTERROGATION REPORT

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

1. NAME NGUYEN TOAN TRUNG
Aka Nil
D1POB 1940. PHUOC TINH
Rank/Appt Finance Supervisor
UNIT C2/D445

CAPTURING DETAILS

2. Capturing Unit A/7 RAR
Date 21 May 70
Location YS519662

EXPLOITED INFO

3. Movements C2/D445
 - a. 15 Mar 70 The subject returned from the LONG DIEN area to the base camp of C2 at CAY DIEP in the vicinity of YS530665. He with a group of 17 had been detailed to buy rice and food from LONG DIEN.
 - b. 20 Mar 70. C2 moved to a base camp in the vicinity of YS530697 and was joined about three days later by HQ D445 and C4.
 - c. 25 Mar 70. The Australians attacked the camp at YS530697 forcing C2 & C4 and HQ D445 to move to the SONG RAI base in the vic of YS574689. The subject believes C1 and C3 were in the same area at this time.
 - d. Mid Apr 70. C2 moved to the vicinity of YS51565 to buy rice from HOI MY. They remained in this area until DOA VAN DOI rallied on 7 May 70, then they returned to the camp at CAY DIEP YS530655.
 - e. 18 May 70. C2 moved to the camp at YS519662 because they believed the camp at YS530655 had been compromised by an element of C2 firing at an aeroplane. On 19 May HAI KHMH arrived for a political meeting.
 4. Strength of C2 on May 70

C2 pers	37	
C4 "	7	
Bn Recce Gp	10	Total 5/t
 5. Locations Other Coys
 - a. Bn HQ, C1 and C4. Believed to be in the MINH DAM area, grid reference unk.
 - b. C3. Believed to be in the LANG DAI approx YS540594.
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APPENDIX II TO ANNEX A
to 1 ATF INTSUM No 143/70
dated 24 May 70.

INTERROGATION REPORT

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

1. Name LY HIM
Aka Nil
D/POB 1938 SOC TRANG
Rank/Appt Soldier Cook
Unit C2/D445

CAPTURING DETAILS

2. Capturing Unit A/7 RAR
Date 21 May 70
Location YS519662

EXPLOITED INFO

3. Movements C2/D445
 - 5 a. Late Feb 70. C2 was forced to leave the HOI MY area because of Aust armoured ops in the area.
 - b. Mar 70. C2 moved to the LONG TAN area in the vicinity of YS507673. During this period they had the task of getting food supplies from DAT DO.
 - c. May 70. Australian operations forced C2 to move to the camp at YS519662 where they were attacked on 21 May 70. The subject believes that C2 will not move far from this area as they have the task of infiltrating DAT DO to pick up food supplies. They will probably move to an old camp on the SONG RAI.
4. Locations Other Coys
 - a. Bn HQ, C1 and C4. Probably in the MINH DAM area.
 - b. C3. Possibly still in the HOI MY area.
5. Future Plans
 - a. All coys of D445, except C3 which has already been trained, are to receive sapper training to enable them to attack the Pacification Teams in DAT Do. PHUOC LOI and PHUOC HAI.
 - b. The Battalion is primarily concerned at present with obtaining rice and food stocks before the wet season starts.
 - c. The subject heard HAI KHANH (Bn Pol Offr D445) mention that A57 (33 NVA Regt) will return to BA LONG Province to support the local VC.

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ANNEX E (Aerial Reconnaissance)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 143/70
dated 23 May 70.

1. Visual Recce

<u>DTG</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Sighting</u>
(a) 220900H	YS469550 YS483555	Old bunkers both locs. Overgrown by secondary growth. Both have adjacent wells.
(b) 220900H	YS469541	Well constructed bunker good condition and recently used. Surrounding tracks well used.
(c) 220800H	E56 - 59 N70 - 73	Tracks on western side of SONG RAI show signs of continual use. S2 Comment: Arbushes along the SONG RAI would be profitable by interdicting parties on commo-liason between D445/LONG DAT and HQ BA LONG.

2. Photo Interpretation Reports

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Sighting</u>
18 May 70	YS668583	APC bridge over arm of stream.
	YS666607	Possible non-saline water hole in brush clearing. Trails lead to the hole from south. Vehicle tracks (APC) on both sides of tree line around clearing from east to west.
	YS643702	12 recent 2 man foxholes extending NE - SW across clearing.
	YS649701	7 old 1 man foxholes in circular pattern in clearing next to SW tree line.
	YS649702	5 foxholes in NE tree line of clearing. Foxholes extend NW - SE carrying about 100m into tree line.
	YS633729	3 small holes with spoil west across stream from a clearing used as roadway.
	YS636729	5 overgrown foxholes in small clearing east of clearing used as roadway.
	YS615801	2 x 2 man foxholes in open area 10m from tree line. 1 x 2 man foxhole further east next to tree line.
	YS616802	1 possible AW site around base of tree in tree line behind a mortar pit area. 10 small holes showing throughout area.
	YS616803	1 mortar pit and 2 foxholes in good condition. 1 partially destroyed foxhole on edge of tree line east of Route 328.
	YS618806	11 small dig holes; 8 of them encircling a tree in a cleared area next to destroyed village.
	YS619807	2 foxholes in tree line east of destroyed village.

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No. 144-70.
2. Period covered from 240001H to 242400H May 70.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There was one contact with Task Force Elements.
 - a. Ground Activity.
 - (1) AO CATHY.
 - (a) (241410H) At YS533659 3/A/7 RAR located and destroyed a staging camp comprising of 12 pits in gps of 2-3 approx 50M apart. Last used approx 2 weeks ago. Recovered were: A qty of ammo boxes (AK47), asstd clothing, used bandages and personal letters.
 - (2) AO QUARTERMILE
 - (a) Late Report. (232145H) At YS463807, Plant Tp 1 Fd Sqn sighted and engaged one light with .30 cal MG with nil res.
 - (b) Late Report. (232330H) At YS422623, a ptl from 10/D/8 RAR contacted 3 en who approached from the SW and wdr in an unk direction. Res: A sweep done at first light (24 May 70) revealed footprints in the area.
 - b. Air Activity.
 - (1) Omitted.
 - (2) See ANNEX E.
4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses
 - a,b,c,d. Omitted.
 - e. Enemy Weapons and Materiel Captured or Destroyed
 - (1) Omitted.
 - (2) Captured and Destroyed Material.
 - (a) Captured: See Para 3 a (1)(a).
 - (b) Omitted.
 - (3)(4)(5) Omitted.
 - f. Cumulative Totals for Month.
 - (1) KIA - 51
 - (2) PW - 3
 - (3) Hoi Chanh - Nil
 - (4) VCI - Nil
 - (5) Individual Weapons - 25
 - (6) Crew Served Weapons - Nil.
 - (7) Rice Captured - 1.05 tons.
 - (8) 122mm Rockets (complete) - Nil
 - (9) 107mm Rockets (complete) - Nil
- 5,6,7. Omitted.
8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 19/70 dated 19 May 70.
- 9,10 Omitted.
11. a,b,c. Omitted.
 - d. Agent Reports. See ANNEX C.
 - e. Omitted.
 - f. Other Items of Reporting Interest
 - (1) Late Report. (23 May 70) At YS336655 and YS337657 arty engaged base camps. Res: 2 bkrs destroyed, 1 bkr damaged and 1 cave entrance damaged.
 - (2) (240700H) DAT DO Sub Sector reported HOANG CONG SINH rallied to their loc.

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- (3) (240928H) At YS373750, RAAF conducted an A/S on en base camp. Res: 2 bkrs destroyed, 20 metres of trench destroyed, 1 bunker damaged.
- (4) (241335H) At YS392843, RAAF conducted an A/S on en base camp. Res: 2 bkrs destroyed, 2 bkrs damaged and 4 bunkers exposed.
- (5) (242040H) At YS502555, 35 PF P1 contacted an estimated VC P1 while moving into AP. VC wdr into village on contact with unk res.

for
(N.F. GRAHAM)
GSO2 (Int)

Attachments

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- Sector S2

ANNEX A (Interrogation Reports)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 144-70
dated 24 May 70

INTERROGATION REPORT
RETURNEE - TRAN THI LUN

Biographical Data

1. Name - TRAN THI LUN
AKA - Nil
D/POB - 1948, PHUOC LOI, PHUOC THANH
Rank/Appt - Civil Labourer
Unit - Group 30.

Details of Return

2. Date of Return - 221600H May 70
Receiving Unit - RDC Post at PHUOC LOI.

Exploited Info

3. Rice Transportation into Area 1 (LONG DAT)

On 15/5/70 twenty persons belonging to the carrying unit of Gp 30 which was based at LONG KHANH jungle Area (approx YT545087) were given the task of carrying rice for troops in Area 1 (unit unk, loc unk). On the 20 May 70 at 0700 hrs when the rice carrying gp was resting (in the vic of the Suspension Bridge across the SONG RAI at approx YS589661) to cook a meal the subject escaped.

4. Each person in the party carried some clothes, 20 litres of rice and 2 litres of pre-cooked rice. They had permission to eat 5 litres of rice coming down and to take 5 litres to eat on the trip back, thus only 200 litres of the total 400 litres would be given to the troops in Area 1.

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5. Entry/Exit Points of LONG TOAN Hamlet

The BA LONG Province Rear Services bought all of the peoples' wheat fields in LONG TOAN Hamlet (poss BAO VINH Village, adjacent to LONG KHANH Province). At present the VC usually enter to gather or remind the people to gather the wheat, From the day the subject left the camp there were only 2 fields of wheat which hadn't been harvested. The subject said, they usually carried beans, because the people grew them and sold them to the VC. The VC only get very little rice, because the people store it and it is confiscated by the GVN. The subject doesn't know the organization which sells the rice to the VC because the cadre of Gp 30 buy it and later the transportation groups collect it. The subject knows of a person named MOUI PHIEN who calls upon the people to sell rice to the VC.

6. Rice transportation Routes at LONG TOAN Hamlet

There are usually about 40 people who go to LONG TOAN Hamlet to carry rice, wheat and beans. The trip is usually done every 3-4 days. The gp leaves YT557086 at approx 1800 hrs and arrive at the railway line at YT515093, across the SOUI NUOI DUC (shown on map as SOUI RET) and across the paddies at YS486092 and arrive at LONG TOAN at approx 2100 hrs. After collecting the rice, wheat and beans, they leave LONG TOAN at approx 0100 hrs and return by the same route.

7. S2 Comment:

The subjects ORBAT information on Gp 30 conforms to 1 ATF holdings. The total strength is held at approx 80 persons. The members of Gp 30 are generally those that the VC do not trust completely and normally have little information of tactical value. The suspension br on the SOUI RAI at YS589661 could be a regular crossing place for such gps. It is of particular interest (that rice is being carried from BA LONG to LONG DAT District - either VC admin is very confused or rice collection by D445 might not have been as successful as previously believed.

ANNEX B (Captured Documents)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 144/70.
dated 24 May 70

CAPTURED DOCUMENT REPORT

1. Documents captured on the VC KIA by B/7 RAR at YS572663 at 221500H May 70 incl two personal letters and some medical documents identifying the VC as HAI HIEP a medic of C5/D445, he was the 2 IC of the Surgical Sect.
2. Documents captured on the the VC KIA by 1/W/2 RAR/NZ at 221500H May 70 incl the plans for a number of villages in CHAU DUC District for the period 25-570 -25-6-70. A complete readout of these documents will all provide when available.
3. Documents found by 7 RAR in bunker systems at YS587667 and YS546677 on 23 May 70 indicate the bunkers were occupied by D445 possibly C3.
4. Documents found by W Coy/2 RAR/NZ) at YS324658 at 221510H May 70 in a bunker system included the following:
 - a. A large number of personal letters and envelopes addressed to members of CHAU DUC Dist.
 - b. Medical instructions and documents belonging to the Medical Sect of CHAU DUC.

S2 Comment A check of the names mentioned indicate that most of the agencies of CHAU DUC Dist HQ (Not C41) were possibly in the area at some stage.

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ANNEX C (Agent Reports)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 144/70
dated 24 May 70

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ANNEX E (Aerial Reconnaissance)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 144/70
dated 24 May 70

1. Visual Recce

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	YS501697	2 bunkers, 3 foxholes, old hut in unusable condition.
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241430H	YS531554	2 bunkers in good condition, several holes in area with weaved covering or low shelter. Fresh tracks in area several unidentified articles on the ground.

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No. 145/70.
2. Period covered from 250001H to 252400H May 70.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There was one contact with Task Force Elements.
 - a. Ground Activity
 - (1) AO QUARTERMILE
 - (a) (251440H). At YS441872, 6/B/ 8 RAR contacted 4 enemy moving north-south, carrying 2X M16, 1X AK47 and 1X pack. En split and ran without returning fire. Results: 1X VC WIA(Poss).
 - (2) AO CATHY
 - (a) At YS556670, 5/B/7 RAR located 1 X US claymore and 1X Chicom directional mine dug into base of anthill.
 - (b) At YS590695, 4/B/7 RAR located 3 tracks 60m apart through a paddy field. Each used by 10-15 persons within the last 2-3 days moving south to north.
 - (c) At YS546567, 7/C/7 RAR sighted a VN carrying a bag who dropped it and ran. The bag contained 10lb of rice.
 - (3) OTHER AREAS
 - (a) At YS472604, a ptl from 12/D/7 RAR detained 1X VN female breaking curfew. She was carrying correct papers and was handed over to NP.
 - b. Omitted.
4. a.b.c.d. Omitted.
 - e. Enemy Weapons and Material Captured or Destroyed
 - (1) Omitted.
 - (2) Captured and Destroyed Material.
 - (a) Captured. 1X US claymore, 1X Chicom directional mine.
 - (b) Omitted.
 - (3) Captured and Destroyed Foodstuff

<u>CO-ORD</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>DISPOSITION</u>
YS546567	rice	10lbs	unk.
 - 4.5. Omitted.
 - f. Cumulative Totals For Month.
 - (1) KIA 51 VC
 - (2) PW - 3
 - (3) Hoi Chanh-Nil
 - (4) VCI - Nil
 - (5) Individual Weapons - 25
 - (6) Crew Served Weapons - Nil
 - (7) Rice Captured 1.05 Tons.
 - (8) Omitted.
 - (9) Omitted.
5. New Obstacles, Barriers and Fortifications
Omitted.
- 6.7.9.10. Omitted.
8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 19/70 dated 19 May 70.
11. Miscellaneous
 - a. Omitted.
 - b. Corrections to Previous INTSUMS (1) Ref INTSUM 143/70.
 - (a) APPENDIX II to ANNEX A Para 5.c, delete all reference.

b.c.d.e. Omitted.

f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

- (1) (250030H). At YS425596, 22PF P1 contacted an estimated VC squad who returned fire with SA then wdr west. Results: 2 VC KIA(BC), 2X AK47 CIA. Nil friendly cas. Identified LONG DIEN guerillas.
- (2) (250910H). At YS475511, RAAF conducted an A/S resulting in 5 X cave ents damaged.
- (3) (251115H). At YS485685 USAF conducted an A/S. Nil BDA.
- (4) (251335H). At YS392843 RAAF conducted an A/S resulting in 1 X bkr destroyed and 2 bkrs damaged.

Attachments

- ANNEX C - Agent Reports
- ANNEX E - Aerial Reconnaissance

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Distribution

- List A
- II FFORCE V
- MACV = J2
- MACV - CICV
- RTAVF
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- 3 TAC Fighter Wing
- 12 Cbt Avn Gp
- BIEN HOA TAC
- Advisory Team 84
- Sector S2

ANNEX C (Agent Reports)
 to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 145/70
 dated 25 May 70.

1. At YS575908, Agent (NF1) reported a group of VC..VR ac diverted to area and report sighting nothing.

ANNEX E (Aerial Reconnaissance)
 to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 145/70
 dated 25 May 70.

1. Visual Recce

<u>DTG</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Sighting</u>
251215	E60-65 N84-89	1. All tracks in area are old and show no sign of recent use. 2. Old bkr system sighted shows no sign of recent activity.
250800	E54-60 N66-69	1. No camps or fresh bkrs sighted. Area is well covered with fresh tracks, probably from friendlies operating in the eastern half.

1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No. 146/70.
2. Period covered from 260001H to 262400H May 70.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were two contacts with Task Force Elements.

a. Ground Activity

(1) AO WICKHAM

(a) (260923H) At YS312642, a ptl from W/2 RAR/NZ contacted one VC mov North, and wdr South after contact. No friendly cas, unk en cas.

(b) (261300H) At YS348647, B/2 RAR/NZ contacted one VC mov South and wdr NW. No friendly cas, en cas unk.

(c) (261505H) In vic YS3068, W/2 RAR/NZ heard single explosion. NFI.

(2) AO CATHY

(a) (261530H) At YS537561, 7/C/7 RAR loc 4x4 gal petrol drums each containing 30 - 40 lbs of rice contaminated by the petrol.

(b) (261542H) At YS515618, B Sqn 3 Cav Regt, loc and destroyed a "C" shaped bkr system consisting of 9x2 man pits and 2x4 man pits with OHP. System was approx 6 months old and had not been used recently. Recovered were a qty of clothes and cooking utensils.

(c) (261835H) At YS514702, 3/A/7 RAR loc a camp consisting of 15 bkrs 4'x4' with OHP, 20x"U" shaped pits 6'x2'x2', 40xfoxholes 2'x2' with crawl trenches. System approx two years old.

(d) (261925H) At YS539561, 7 RAR loc a staging camp 30mx50m and four fighting pits, camp was four weeks old.

(e) (261925H) At YS539559, 7 RAR loc a staging camp 60mx100m and five pits, camp was three weeks old. Remains of rice cache 200m from water.

(3) OTHER AREAS

(a) (260030H) At YS485683, A Sqn 1 Armd Regt sighted lights. NFI.

(b) (261030H) At YS473722, a Bushranger sighted ox carts and fresh tracks. Follow up by N.P and Sector resulted in 4 ox carts and six people detained.

b. Omitted.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses

a.-d. Omitted.

e. Enemy Weapons and Material Captured or Destroyed

(1) Omitted.

(2) Captured and Destroyed Material.

(a) Captured: Clothing, cooking utensils.

(b) Omitted.

(3) Captured and Destroyed Foodstuff.

<u>CO-ORD</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>DISPOSITION</u>
YS537561	Rice	140 lbs	Unk

(4) (5) Omitted.

f. Cumulative Totals for Month.

(1) KIA - 51 VC.

(2) PW - 3.

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- (3) (4) Omitted
- (5) Individual Weapons - 25.
- (6) Omitted.
- (7) Rice Captured - 1.12 tons.
- (8) (9) Omitted.

5. New Obstacles, Barriers and Fortifications

a. LOC Interdiction and Incidents

(1) Interdictions.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORD</u>	<u>LOC</u>	<u>OCCURRENCE</u>
200631	YS246755	QL15	Roadblock of trees, sticks, logs. Later cleared.

(2) Omitted.

b. Enemy Emplaced Mines and Booby Traps

(1) Destroyed by Friendly Forces.

AP MINES

1 x M16 loc at YS537560, by 7/C/7 RAR.

6. - 7. Omitted.

8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 20/70 dated 26 May 70.

9. 10. Omitted.

11. Miscellaneous

a. Omitted.

b. Corrections to Previous INTSUMS

(1) Ref INTSUM 145/70:

(a) Insert para 3 b. (2) - Aerial recce - see Annex E.

(b) Insert para 4 c. (3) - Civil defendants - 1.

(c) Para 11 f. (3) - delete all reference.

c.-e. Omitted.

f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

(1) Late report (252200H) At YS288579, 637 RF Coy contacted one VC sampan. Results one detainee captured. Detainee ident as NGUYEN VAN CHINH, suspected VCI, held by NP.

(2) 26 May 70 LONG HUONG (YS3561). NGUYEN VAN TO, DOB: 1916, POB: PHUOC DAU, LONG AN, was detained as a suspected supplier for the VC. Held by NP.

(3) (262055H) At YS423593, PFS4 were engaged by 1xVC squad with RPG2 and SA, VC wdr NW. Results: 1xPF KIA, en cas unk.

AIRSTRIKES

(1) 25 May 70. At YS531554 two a/s were conducted with unk results.

(2) (260833H and 260855H) At YS345709 two a/s were conducted with unk results.

(3) (260925H) At YS392843 an a/s was conducted. Results: one bkr destroyed, one table destroyed, four bkrs damaged.

(4) (261026H) At YS348648 an a/s was conducted with unk results.

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(5) (261420H) At YS475511 an a/s was conducted with unk results.

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for (N.F. GRAHAM)
Maj
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Attachments

ANNEX A - Interrogation Reports.
ANNEX B - Captured Documents.

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ANNEX A (Interrogation Reports)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 146/70
dated 26 May 70

INTERROGATION REPORTS

1. Attached as Appendices I and II are Interrogation Reports for:
 - a. TRUONG VAN NAM.
 - b. HOANG CONG SINH.

ANNEX B (Captured Documents)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 146/70
dated 26 May 70.

CAPTURED DOCUMENT REPORT

1. Docus captured by W/2 RAR 22 May at YS324658 (See INTSUM 144/70 Annex B Para 4 which ident CHAU DUC DIST). Further study of docus reveal current roll of pers of C2/D67 CAKA A2/D67 (or D65) Engr Bn.

Comment

Two certificates were signed by the political offr D67 10 May 70. While it would be unusual for this unit to be op as far South as the NUI DINHS it appears that one coy (C2) or part of it were co-loc with a gp of CHAU DUC DIST and are likely to be still in the area.

Appendix I to Annex A
to 1 ATF INTSUM 146/70
dated 26 May 70

INTERROGATION REPORT

PW TRUONG VAN NAM

Biographical Data

1. Name - TRUONG VAN NAM

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Aka - Nil
D/POB - 1947, THAI BINH NVN.
Rank/Appt - Sqd 2IC Comms Sect 2IC.
Unit - HQ D445.

Details of Capture

2. Capturing Unit - PHUOC LOC POST.
Date - 12 May 70.

Exploited Info

3. Movements D445.

- a. Mid Mar 70. The whole of D445 excluding C3 moved to the area of the SUOI RAU YS550695 to construct a new base. C3 moved into the HOI MY jungle area.
- b. 25 Mar 70. The battalion excluding C1 and C3 (C1 stayed in the vic of YS600610) withdrew to the LONG GREENS.
- c. 28 Mar 70. The whole of D445 moved their old loc in the MINH DAM at YS474521.
- d. 3 Apr 70. D445 (less C3 which returned to the HOI MY jungle area) moved to the SONG RAI to build a camp at YS560710.
- e. 22/23 Apr 70. D445 and C4 returned to the MINH DAM. C1 and C2 remained in the area of the SONG RAI.
- f. 27 Apr 70. Due to allied operations in the SONG RAI/SUOI RAU area C1 and C2 together with C3 moved to DAP THAU YS565585.
- g. 7 May 70. When DAO VAN DOL rallied C1, C2 and C3 returned to the SONG RAI at YS575672.

4. Intentions of D445

- a. When the Sapper Training of C1, C2 and C3 is complete they will attack the RDC in the DAT DO and PHUOC LOI areas.
- b. D445 is unable to carry out mortaring activities at present because of a shortage of ammunition and the constant harrassment by Allied forces.

5. Movement Routes MINH DAM to SUOI RAU/SONG RAI

- a. Route 1. This route starts from YS485535 (approx) to LONG MY village (the vic of YS498546) and then crosses the DONG OI (the peoples name for route 326) in the area of YS504555. After this they cross the paddy fields (the area of YS492569) and then infiltrates into PHUOC LOI village area, they then move to PHUOC LOI jungle (area YS520580) and then across to BAU TRAI (YS523585) and then crossed the paddies to arrive at BAU GIONG (YS527598) and then to the jungle area (vic YS521602) - This area has recently been cleared by bulldozers - . From here move to Route 23 and cross it near YS524614 and then cross the RUONG RUNG (wild paddies) in area of YS527625 to SUOI LO O stream in the vic of YS545675 and then on to the old base camp in the SUOI RAU (GIAU) area.
- b. Route 2. The entrance to the route is at YS485535 towards LONG MY village (YS498546), then across the DONG OI road (Route 326) in the area of YS504555; having crossed the paddy fields (area YS485575) they infiltrate in PHUOC HOA LONG village (YS483585) and then to Route 44 (area YS490596). They then follow along the gardens of the people (area YS498596) to Route 23 (area YS495607) then through a rubber plantation (area YS501616) and then follow around the foothills of GIA-QUY (NUI MY RUA) to the RUONG TRE area (YS508629) from where they go to the SUCI LO O stream (YS545675) and then on to the base camps in the area of SUOI RAU (GIAU).

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6. Supplies. Before 1970 D445 received its supplies from the BA LONG Rear Services Section which obtained the rice in the LONG DAT area. Since Jan 1970 D445 has been responsible for obtaining its own requirements from DAT DO, LONG DIEN, CAU BA MIA (HOI MY) and sometimes PHUOC HAI.

S2 Comment. The information provided on the movements of D445 is possible not completely correct but does give an indication of the AOs of the companies.

Appendix II to Annex A
to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 146/70
dated 26 May 70.

INTERROGATION REPORT
RETURNEE - HOANG CONG SINH

Biographical Data

1. Name - HOANG CONG SINH.
AKA - Nil.
D/POB - 1944, THACH SON, LONG THAC, PHU THO, NVN.
Rank/Appt - Sect Comd, Surgical Sect.
Unit - Surgical Sect, HQ, D445.

Details of Return

2. Date of return - 24 May 70.
Receiving Unit - DAT DO District Post.

Exploited Info.

3. Locations D445.
 - a. HQ, C4 - In MINH DAM area approx YS476513.
 - b. C1. - At approx YS456536.
 - c. C2. - Believed to be at approx YS5556.
 - d. C3. - Believed to be at approx YS476513.

Locations Other Units

4.
 - a. LONG DAT Medical Unit Hospital. Loc near HQ D445 at approx YS481513. At present there are approx 30 patients receiving treatment. This unit is the only hospital facility available to D445.
 - b. K6/D440. During Mar 70 K6 was in Area 1 (SONG RAI area) to carry rice. Approx 10 May 70 wdr towards LONG KHANH Province (area unk).
5. Future Plans.
 - a. To attack and ruin the Pacification Plan in the hamlets of LONG LIEN and DAT DO districts. Especially in the hamlets of PHUOC HAI, PHUOC LOI and AP CAU.
6. Other Info.
 - a. On the nights of 22, 23 and poss 24 May 70, a transportation gp of approx 30 (from HQ and C1) went into LONG DIEN to procure rice.

S2 Comment

The BA LONG Mil Hosp also provides medical facilities for D445 but the close proximity of D445 at present to the LONG DAT Hosp probably accounts for the supposed exclusive use of this facility at the moment. K6 has possibly joined up with BA LONG Prov HQ but the rallier from D440 LE THI HOA on 16 May 70 stated that C6 had returned to D440.

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- 1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 147/70.
- 2. Period covered from 270001H to 272400H May 70.
- 3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were 2 contacts with Task Force Elements.

a. Ground Activity.

(1) AO CATHY.

- (a) Late Report. At (262327H) at NDP BRIDGET (YS5154) C/7 RAR contacted 6 en who approached from the East with unk results.
- (b) (270639H) At YS533573 a ptl from 7/C/7 RAR contacted 3 en moving from north to south. Results: 1 VC KIA (BC), 2 VC PW, 1xM1 carbine, 1xPPSH SMG, 1xM26 gren, 2 packs containing pers clo and qty docus CIA. See Annex A.
- (c) (271140H) At YS501692 7 RAR located 12 fighting pits, 6-12 months old. A further 6 wpn pits were loc at YS500690 6-12 months old.
- (d) (271142H) At YS516689 7 RAR located 18 bkrs estimated to be 2 yrs old and not used in that time.
- (e) (271230H) At YS526693 1/A/7 RAR located and destroyed 5 bkrs, 1 pit, 2 sentry posts and 1 comms trench. System approx 18 months old and in very good condition. Had been used 3 weeks ago by a pl sized force.
- (f) (271308H) At YS534558 7/C/7 RAR located 7 pits with 18" OHP. There were 2 wells next to a creek. A previous A/S had exposed 2 bkrs and had damaged others.

(2) AO KIPPER.

- (a) (270730H) At YS455761 Atk pl/8 RAR located and destroyed 2xM3A1 mines on info from a civ, which had been laid approx 6 months ago.

(3) AO WICKHAM.

- (a) (271200H) At YS337652 2 RAR/NZ located a camp consisting of 8 hammock spaces. Last occupied 2-3 days ago.
- (b) (271330H) At YS351701 2/V/2 RAR/NZ sighted 1 en at a range of 400M. Did not engage due to distance.
- (c) (271420H) At YS325695 4/A/1 Armd Regt detonated a pressure mine, buried 2 1/2', laid 2-3 days ago. No cas or damage.
- (d) (272040H) At YS294659 9/C/2 RAR/NZ contacted 2 en. Results: 2 en KIA (BC), 1xAK47, 1xM1 carbine, 2 torches and docus CIA.

(4) Other Areas.

- (a) (271015H) At YS471693 base ptl of 2 RAR/NZ heard 2 poss 3 en who wdr when ptl went to investigate.
- (b) (271600H) At YS521660 17 Const located and destroyed 15 bkrs, 5 of which had OHP. System was well camouflaged but in poor condition and had not been used for 6 months.

b. Omitted.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a. Total KIA occurring during the reporting period.

- (1) Omitted.
- (2) Aust Inflicted - 3 VC
- (3) Omitted.

b. Omitted.

c. Detainees.

- (1) PW - 2
- (2)-(6) Omitted.

d. Omitted.

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e. Enemy Weapons and Material Captured or Destroyed.

(1) Captured Weapons.

- (a) Individual - 4.
- (b) Crew Served - Nil.
- (c) Breakdown - 1xAK47, 1xSMG, 2xM1 carbines.

(2) Captured and Destroyed Material.

- (a) Captured. 1xM26 gren, 2 torches, qty clo and docus.
- (b) Omitted.

(3)-(5) Omitted.

f. Cumulative Totals For Month.

- (1) KIA - 54 VC
- (2) PW - 5
- (3)(4) Omitted
- (5) Individual Weapons - 29
- (6) Omitted
- (7) Rice Captured - 1.12 tons
- (8)(9) Omitted

5. New Obstacles, Barriers and Fortifications.

a. Omitted.

b. Enemy Emplaced Mines and Booby Traps.

- (1) Destroyed by Friendly Forces.
AP Mines: 2 at YS455761, 1 at YS325695.
- (2) Omitted.

6. Enemy Unit Identification, Location and Movements.

a. One of two VC KIA at YS294659 by 9/C/2 RAR/NZ 27 May ident as SON possibly CHAU DUC Finance and Economy Sect.

b. One of two VC KIA at YS294659 by 9/C/2 RAR/NZ 27 May ident as VU VAN NGO, a political offr (possibly of D/65 - to be confirmed when docus available.)

c. VC KIA YS533575 by 7 RAR 27 May ident by PW from same contact as FA, ldr HOI MY Farmers Association.

7. Omitted.

8. Vulnerabilities and Capabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 20/70 dated 26 May 70.

9.10. Omitted.

11. Miscellaneous.

a. Omitted.

b. Corrections to Previous INTSUMS.

(1) Ref INTSUM NO 146/70:

- (a) Para 3.a.(2)(b) amend "C" shaped to read "L" shaped.
- (b) Para 11.f.(3) amend unit to read 54 PF Pl.
- (c) Para 11.f. airstrikes, (5) res to read: several cave entrances damaged.

(2) Ref 1 ATF SUPINTREP dated 26 May 70, amend number to read 20/70.

c-e. Omitted.

f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

(1) Late Report. Arty strike 26 May on YS455527. Res: 2 bkrs destroyed, 4 bkrs damaged and 1 wpn pit exposed.

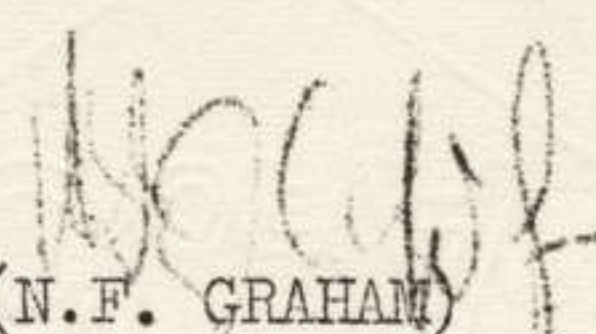
(2) Late Report. (262200H) 199 IIB at XUAN LOC received 16x82mm mortar rds, and the Comd line to 18 ARVN was cut. Res: 1 US KIA, 5 US WIA. Suspected base plate posn at YT474064 was engaged by arty and gunships with unk results.

(3) (270900H) NGUYEN THI HUONG rallied to Duc Thanh Sub Sector. She stated that she was in the contact with 37 PF Pl on 22 May and the VC had 4 KIA. (INTSUM 142/70 para 11.f.(i) refers). See Annex A.

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- (4) (271450H) At YS344684 A/S on en base. Nil BDA.
(5) (272006H) At YS365610 17 PF engaged 7 VC. Results: 1 PF KIA, en cas unk.


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ANNEX A - Interrogation Reports.

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ANNEX A (Interrogation Reports)
to 1 ATF INTSUM 147/70
dated 27 May 70.

INTERROGATION REPORTS

1. INITIAL INTERROGATION - RALLIER NGUYEN THI HUONG.

a. The subject rallied to BINH GIA on 27 May 70. She states that she is from a section of Chau Duc Dist Unit. (Not C41).

b. The subject states that her unit (strength approx 21) crossed from the west of Route 2 to the east about Jan 70. They moved into thick jungle for about three months before moving on to the NHA THIEC base camp area (approx YS489827) near TU TIEN (YS478818). The NHA THIEC base **was** attached when they had been there for about one week and they were forced to move to a new camp on the SUOI TAM BO (approx YS525795). This camp was struck by artillery and gunships, the unit scattered and regrouped at approx YS525783 with the task of obtaining food. Whilst trying to collect food the unit was contacted and the subject ran away and rallied.

SUOI TAM BO Base. The subject states that this camp is on the south bank of the stream and about twenty metres away from it, there are four bunkers in this camp.

NHA THIEC Base. This base is located in the vicinity of YS489827 and is situated on the east bank of the SUOI TAM BO about fifteen metres from the stream. There is one bunker in this camp built inside a house.

COMMENT ORBAT is unable to identify the subjects unit from the names supplied. It is unusual that the subject has been in the unit for four months but does not know the name of her unit. Further interrogation will be conducted to confirm the locations given and to try and identify her unit and its task.

INITIAL INTERROGATION PWs - TRAN VAN LUYEN & PHAN VAN XE.

1. Both subjects state that they are from the HOI MY Farmers Association.

2. Total strength HOI MY Party Chapter and Village Guerilla Unit according to the subjects is about 16.

3. All the HOI MY VC are located in the vic of YS523549 except for the three VC contacted who were located at YS536574 in order to be closer to HOI MY village.

COMMENT. XE is possibly an ARVN deserter and as such was too worried about his present position to be of much use. The grid reference of the base loc is only approximate and will be confirmed.

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 148/70
2. Period covered from 280001H to 282400H May 70.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There was one contact with Task Force Elements.

(a) Ground Activity

(1) AO CATHY

(a) (281034H) At YS539559 7/C/7RAR located 600 lbs rice in 12x4 gal drums.

(b) (281430H) At YS525559 7/C/7RAR located a staging camp, 40x30 metres and circular in shape. One "Z" shaped pit with 2' OHP and 1xM16 mine minus casing and det loc.

(c) (281620H) At YS525559 7/C/7RAR contacted 1 VC armed with an AK 47. Sweep conducted with no result. Arty engaged.

(2) AO WICKHAM

(a) (281350H) At YS328673 1/W/2RAR/NZ located and destroyed 2x Bangalore torpedoes. Each consisted of 10 lbs Chicom explosive.

(b) (281745H) At YS299644 C/2RAR/NZ located a bunker system and camp site consisting of 2 bunkers, 6x2 man fighting pits, approx 15 hammock sites, kitchen and well constructed water point. Area well camouflaged from air and ground observation. Occupied this morning. Some docus found.

(c) (282050H) At YS343655 1/A/2RAR/NZ located a staging camp approx 100x150 metres. Last used approx one week ago. Qty of small batteries, electric cable and letters found.

(3) AO KIPPER

(a) (281400H) At YS442852 1/A/1 Armd Regt located a pl sized bunker system consisting of at least 6 bunkers. Probably still in use.

(b) Air Activity

(1) Omitted

(2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See ANNEX E

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a.b.c.d. Omitted

e. Enemy Weapons and Material Captured or Destroyed

(1) Omitted

(2) Captured and Destroyed Material.

(a) Captured: Qty small batteries, qty electric cable, qty docus.

(b) Omitted

(3) Captured and Destroyed Foodstuff.

<u>CO-ORD</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>DISPOSITION</u>
YS539559	Rice	600 lbs	Unk.

(4) Omitted

(5) Caches

<u>DTG</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>CO-ORD</u>	<u>COMMENT</u>
281034H	7/C/7RAR	YS539559	See para 3a.(1)(a)

f. Cumulative Totals For Month

(1) KIA - 54 VC

(2) PW - 5

(3-4) Omitted

(5) Individual Weapons - 29

(6) Omitted

(7) Rice Captured - 1.42 tons

(8-9) Omitted.

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5. New Obstacles, Barriers and Fortifications.

a. Omitted

b. Enemy Emplaced Mines and Booby Traps.

(1) Destroyed by Friendly Forces.

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BOOBY TRAPS

1 at YS525559

2 at YS328673

(2) Omitted

6. Enemy Unit Identification, Location and Movements.

Ref 1 ATF INTSUM 147/70 para 6.b. VC KIA ident as Asst Political Offr C2 (AKA A2) D65 Engr Bn (AKA D67 Bn), previously ident by docus loc 22 May at YS324658 (INTSUM 146/70 Annex B refers).

7. Omitted

8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 20/70 dated 26 May 70.

9-10. Omitted.

11. Miscellaneous.

a-e. Omitted.

f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

(1) Further to PF contact report at 272006H at YS365610 (INTSUM 147/70 para 11.f.(5) refers). Results: 2 VC KIA (POSS), 1 VC WIA (Bloodtrail).

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ANNEX E - Aerial Reconnaissance.

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ANNEX E (Aerial Reconnaissance)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No 148/70
dated 29 May 70

1. Visual Recce

DTG

Location

Sighting

281205H

YS589711

Recently used track extends north for approx 3,000 metres.

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 149/70
2. Period covered from 290001H to 292400H May 70.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were six contacts with Task Force Elements.

a. Ground Activity(1) AO KIPPER

(a) (290800H) At YS402802, 1/A/8RAR loc a partially destroyed bunker system, 60M X 100M, consisting of 15 very deep pits with tunnels but no OHP. Last occupied 9 - 12 months ago. CS crystals have been seeded in one of the deeper bunkers.

(b) (290910H) At YS423573, 17 Const Sqn loc an M16 mine, observed visually.

(c) (292045H) At YS455764, Atk Pl/8 RAR contacted 2 en moving by light of torch from West to East. Results unknown.

(2) AO CATHY

(a) (290959H) At YS518553, 7/C/7 RAR loc and destroyed staging camp, 30M X 50M, consisting of 2 bunkers with 2 ft OHP, one of which had collapsed, one month old and last used one week ago.

(b) (291200H) At YS517550, 7/C/7 RAR loc and destroyed a hide with tunnel entrance and 2 ft OHP, 3 months old.

(3) AO WICKHAM

(a) (29010H) At YS338656, 3/W/2 RAR/NZ detonated a booby trap consisting of 2 IFF grenades attached to tree with trip wire on ground. Results - 1 NZ DOW.

(b) (291543H) At YS320697, 3/V/2 RAR/NZ loc bunker system consisting of 8 bunkers.

(c) (291653H) At YS309668, 8/C/2 RAR/NZ detonated a poss M16 mine resulting in 2 Aust KIA and 3 Aust WIA.

(d) (291830H) At YS333552, 3/W/2 RAR/NZ at FSPB NOLA contacted 2 en who approached from South and withdrew South and East after contact. Arty and mors eng poss escape routes. En cas unknown, nil friendly cas.

(e) (291830H) At YS347710, Atk Pl/2 RAR/NZ contacted 2 stationary en who then withdrew North. Poss mine laying team. Sweep revealed poss mine-laying signs but no mines. Arty and mors eng poss withdrawal routes. Fr cas unknown, nil friendly cas.

(f) (292130H) At YS350710, 4/A/1 Armd Regt sighted stationary lights across fire trail. Area eng with unknown results.

(4) Other Areas

(a) (291530H) At YS375885, SAS Pl ambushed 3 en moving South, dressed in black, armed with AK47 and 2 unidentified wpns. Results: 2 en KIA (DC), 1 en KIA (poss), 1 X AK47, 6 X M16 mags. pack containing pers effects, tobacco and 3 - 4 lbs rice and qty webbing. During search, pl heard mov by en gp (poss 6 - 10) who followed pl until extraction where en fired or Albatross with nil results.

(b) (292147H) At YS433526, pl from Aslt Pnr Pl/8 RAR contacted approx 20 en who split up on contact. En appeared to move towards mountains. (NFI)

b. Air Activity (1) Aircraft receiving ground fire.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORDS</u>	<u>ALTITUDE</u>	<u>TYPE OF FIRE</u>	<u>DAMAGE</u>	<u>FRIENDLY RESPONSE</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
291716H	YS378885	UNK	SA	NIL	UNK	NIL (see para 3 a (4)(a))

(2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See Annex E.

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4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses

a. Total KIA occurring during this reporting period.

- (1) omitted
- (2) Aust Inflicted - 2 VC
- (3) omitted

b. omitted

c. omitted

d. omitted

e. Enemy Weapons and Material Captured or Destroyed

(1) Captured Weapons

- (a) Individual - 1
- (b) Crew Served - nil
- (c) Breakdown - 1 X AK47

(2) Captured and Destroyed Material

- (a) Captured: See para 3 a (4)(a)
- (b) omitted

(3) - (5) omitted.

f. Cumulative Totals for Month

- (1) KIA - 56 VC
- (2) PW - 5
- (3) Hoi Chanh - Nil
- (4) VCI - NIL
- (5) Individual Weapons - 30
- (6) Crew Served Weapons - Nil
- (7) Rice Captured 1.42 tons.
- (8) 122mm Rockets (complete) - Nil
- (9) 107mm Rockets (complete) - Nil

5. New Obstacles, Barriers and Fortifications

a. Omitted.

b. Enemy Emplaced Mines and Booby Traps

(1) Destroyed by Friendly Forces

(29010H) At YS425573, 17 Const Sqn loc 1 X claymore mine.

(2) Resulting in Friendly Losses

<u>DTG</u>	<u>NO-ORD</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
291010	YS338656	Booby Trap 2 grens	1 NZ DOW (See para 3 a (3)(a))
291653	YS309668	Poss M16	2 Aust KIA, 3 Aust WIA (see para 3 a (3)(c))

6. Enemy Unit Identification Location and Movements

a. Docs captured by 9/C/2RAR/NZ at YS294659 on 27 May 70 (See 1 ATF Intsum 148-70 para 6). Further study of docs shows that one of VC KIA (Vu Van Ngho) had been promoted from Asst Political Offr to Political Offr C2/D65 (AKA D67) on 25 Mar 70.

7. Omitted.

8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 20-70 dated 25 May 70.

9. - 10. Omitted.

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11. Miscellaneous.

a. Omitted.

b. Corrections to Previous INTSUMS

(1) Ref INTSUM 148-70:

(a) Para 3. a(2)(c), Amend "100 X 150M" to read "100 X 50M".

c. Information Received from Voluntary Informants.

(1) (291700H) Informant report from Hoa Long states 9 guerillas from Hoa Long armed with indiv wpns and 1 X B40 were sighted at YS393641 mov in direction of Hoa Long Village. Eval unknown, but source said to be extremely reliable.

d. - e. Omitted.

f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

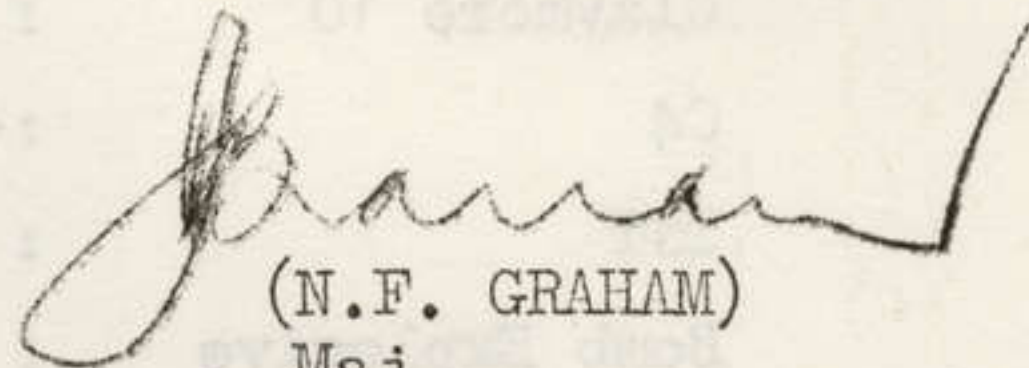
(1) Late report. (280820H) At YS475511, A/S conducted. Nil BDA.

(2) Late Report. (281500H) At YS321697, A/S conducted on suspected occupied bunkers. Nil BDA.

(3) (290850H) At YS712821, A/S conducted on en camp. BDA: 2 bunkers destroyed, 1 living area exposed.

(4) (291150H) At YS775645, Naval gunfire sighted a fishing trawler on beach with gasoline drums on deck. Tracks lead around boat.

(5) (292130H) At LO VOI (approx YS431523) VC of unknown size contacted villagers. One local fired a shot which hit mil compound by mistake. VN in compound then opened fire and poss inflicted own cas of 3 VN KIA and 1 VN WIA.



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Annex B - Captured Documents.

Annex E - Aerial Reconnaissance.

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2. a. Activities : The coy on 25 Apr 70 studied the party committee resolution. Acknowledge the high point of Apr 70, and discussed strong & weak points which occurred so that they could if needed, be corrected in May Jun 70. Each Company is attached the fol tgts for May/Jun:
Vehicle : 50
Bridges : 3
- b. The bridge must be reconnoitered thoroughly and at least 1 valuable drain (under the road) must be destroyed. Each month at least 2 road block must be established, must combine with the local unit to attack the hamlets, kill the cruel people and attack the Govt pacification plan.
- c. Bn to train specialists for Company and platoon and administer the troops.
- d. Company will train up to section level in specialist type training 2 days each month. Motivate the soldiers with the aim every soldier to have a B2 Mine and to leave it somewhere in order to stop the enemy. Increase military activities, especially on Route 15.
- e. On 7 May 70 hold a Party Committee meeting and report on rear service work.
- f. All rice for May 70 must be consumed and for June 70 systems 20 rationing will be used. Each unit must use fuel instead of batterie (Lighting?) For May 60 they must have 200 Kilo of explosives.

3. Military Tasks.

- a. Mission: Attack roads, vehicles, bridges drains and outposts. Combine with local units to attack the RDC.
Targets: Vehicles 90
B2 Mines: Kill 200 people.
- b. Increase attacks on vehicles on Route 15 and put mines in the ground. Each person to have 1 x B2 Mine.
- c. On the 15th 5 people to go on tpt msm to K(MR7). The unit to consolidate the base against enemy operations.
- d. On the 16th, 1 cell of 6 people was to go to carry stores at at K but they were contacted by allied troops at or near the "intersection" so they had to return.
- e. 20th I studied military and counter operation subjects.
- f. 21st Cadre checked political studies and counter operations work.
- Comment D65 clearly still has a capability to conduct serious harassment of Route 15 and admin posts. However it has undertaken little identifiable activity for several months.

ANNEX E (Aerial Reconnaissance)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No 149-70
dated 29 May 70

1. Visual Recce.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Sighting</u>
291000H		
291200H	YS546567	Fresh tracks lead to 2 bnks concealed in tree line. Bnks appear recently const and in good order.
	YS556578	7 bnks in land cleared area are old but usable. Concealed with scrub.
	YS537559	3 old bnks in tree line.
	YS545574	Gp of old bnks.

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No. 151/70
2. Period covered from 310001H to 312400H May 70.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were two contacts with Task Force Elements.
 - a. Ground Activity
 - (1) AO WICKHAM
 - (a) (311330H). At YS349643, 2/A/2 RAR/NZ loc US Transmitter 6"X6"X9". Suspect rocket shaped portion on one side may be booby trap. Still to be examined.
 - (b) (311430H). At YS350641, 2/A/ 2 RAR/NZ loc 1X 155 and 1X 105 U X Bs to be destroyed tomorrow.
 - (c) (311540H). At YS287669., 7/C/2 RAR/NZ loc 7 freshly cut logs 10 feet long & 6" to 8" diameter when they investigated sounds of chopping. Drag marks of logs lead NE. Area to be ambushed tonight. Comment: Loggers have been usually cutting timber in this area, unlikely VC.
 - (d) For Ref INTSUM 149/70 Para 3.a.(3)(b). Area 300m X 200m contained 21 bunkers with 14" of OHP. Last occupied over 4 weeks ago. Destroyed by engrs.
 - (e) (311255H). At YS306665, 8/C/2 RAR/NZ loc bunker system of 12 bunkers for est 50 pers. All with approx 2ft OHP. Last occupied 6 months ago, but used by at least 2 persons in last two days. Recovered were qty explosive devices. (See para 4.e.(2)(a). Bunkers destroyed.
 - (f) (310825H). At YS344636, 3/A/2 RAR/NZ loc 1X44 gal drum and 1X kerosene tin in small cave plus rice cache previously destroyed by fr trcops. Human waste approx 2 days old in area.
 - (2) AO CATHY
 - (a) (311204H). At YS547575, 8/C/7 RAR contacted 4 enemy. Results 2X VC KIA (BC), 1X VC WIA(BT)., 1X Garand rifle, small qty med sups and qty docus CIA. Wounded en crawled into swamp and is being pursued.
 - (3) AO KIPPER
 - (a) Ref INTSUM 150/70. Para 3.a. (2)(a). 3 graves loc on edge of bunker system. 1 grave dug yesterday. Recovered were 1X SKS rifle, and other items. (See Para 4.e.(2)(a).
 - (b) (311310H). At YS430890., 6/B/8 RAR loc 1 grave approx 1-2 weeks old.
 - (c) (312057H). At YS401637, ptl of 8 RAR sighted 2 VC. En came from NW. Sweep to be conducted at first light.
 - (4) OTHER AREAS.
 - (a) (311150H). At YS477569, 1 Fd Sqn loc and cleared road lock. on Route 326.
 - (b) (311300H). At YS469660. ptl of 2 RAR/NZ apprehended 3VN males bearing temp ID cards. Released after intg.
4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.
 - a. Total KIA occurring during this reporting period.
 - (1) Omitted.
 - (2) Aust Inflicted- 2 VC. (3) Omitted.
 - e. Enemy Weapons and Material Captured or Destroyed
 - b.c.d. Nil. (1) Captured Weapons
 - (a) Individual - 4
 - (b) Crew served - Nil
 - (c) Breakdown - 1X SKS rifle, 3X unident pistols.
 - (2) Captured and Destroyed Materiel
 - (a) Captured Qty CHICOM mortar, bombs, 5X locally made bombs. Qty bamboo electrical pressure switches. 4 X mines. 1X 155mm and 1X 105mm projectile minus fuses. 99X .50 calibre rds, 128X 7.62mm linked rds. 132X 5.56mm rds. 38 X AK47 rds. 6X M16 mags. 5 alum water bottles. 4X opium pipes. 1X pint kero.

1X pint Phenol. Qty webbing. 1X entrenching tool. 3X belts. Qty clothing. 2X yds plastic tubing 1/4". 1X AK47 mag. 6X surgical bowls. Qty cooking utensils. Large qty plastic containers. 10X lbs rock salt. Large qty black plastic. 100X sand bags. 1X gas mask. 3X prs scissors. Qty docus. Qty med sups incl more than 400 used & unused phials of medicine. 1X friction grenade. 3X pistols.

(3) Captured and Destroyed Foodstuff

<u>CO-ORD</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>DISPOSITION</u>
YS372900	Rice	125lbs	Unk
	Fish	2lbs	Dest.
	Beans	3/4lbs	"
	Cook Oil	1/2 gal	"

4.5. Omitted.

f. Cumulative Totals For Month.

- (1) KIA 59 VC
- (2) PW - 5
- (3) Hoi Chanh - Nil
- (4) VCI - Nil
- (5) Individual Weapons - 36
- (6) Crew Served Weapons - Nil
- (7) Rice Captured 1.58 Tons
- (8) 122mm Rockets (complete) - Nil;
- (9) 107mm Rockets (complete) - Nil

5. New Obstacles, Barriers and Fortificationsa. LOC Interdiction and Incidents(1) Interdictions

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORD</u>	<u>LOC</u>	<u>OCCURRENCE</u>
311150H	YS477569	Route 326	Road Block

2. Omitted.

b.(1) Omitted.

(2) Resulting in Friendly Losses.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORD</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
312040H	YS637627	AP	1X VN KIA

6. Enemy Unit Identification, Location and Movements.

a. Documents captured on the female KIA by 8/C/7 RAR at 311205H at YS547575 identify her as ANH B/Y. (poss LE THI ANH of the LONG DAT DIST HOSP). No identification was made of the other VC KIA.

b. Docus captured by 3 RAR at YS372900 on 31 May 70 further ident 274 Regt, dated Nov 69. Incl is a list of tele nos; poss of SAIGON area, possibly indicating contacts or agents at a no of SVN depts and two ARVN offrs. List passed to HQ Sector for investigation.

7.9.10 Omitted.

8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 150/70 dated 30 May 70.11. Miscellaneous.

a.c.d.e. Omitted.

b. Corrections to Previous INTSUMS

(1) Ref INTSUM 110/70.

(a) Para 3a.(i)(c) delete all detail.

(b) Para 3a.(i)(f) line 1: Unit was 2/V/2 RAR/NZ.

f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

(a) (312040H). At YS637627, VC mine exploded. Results. 1 X VN KIA.

AttachmentsANNEX B = Captured Documents.
ANNEX E - Aerial Reconnaissance*N.F. Graham*
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Sector S2ANNEX B (Captured Documents)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 151/70
dated 31 May 70.

1. Ref 1 ATF INTSUM 150/70 ANNEX B further study of captured docus reveals the following ident of 274 Regt:

K22 Tn Coy
D1 1 Bn
C3/D2 C3/2Bn
B2/Q4 Possibly Political Staff Sect.
B3/A54 Rear Svc Staff Sect
K21 Spr, Recce Coy
K20 Sig Coy
K18 HMG Coy
C11/D3 1st Coy/3 Bn
C14/D3 Hy Wpns Coy/3Bn
K6/D2 1st Coy/2Bn
D3 3Bn
B25/Q4 Possibly Trg Coy, usually ref to as C25.
K21A Med Unit
K24 Youth Aslt Coy

Note: K6/D2 was reported in INTSUM 150/70 as ident of D440. This now seems unlikely although the numbers are ident. All dated docus were from Nov-Dec 69, although the base has been in recent use, and most referred to med treatment of cas indicating this as the med dispensary of 274 Regt.

ANNEX E (Aerial Reconnaissance)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 151/70
dated 31 May 70

1.	<u>Visual Recce</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Sighting</u>
	DTG		
	301200H	YS307754	En camp previously loc by SAS. Camp consisted of 6 large bunkers and a hut.
	301200H	YS308759	En camp loc consisting of 3 large bunkers and a frame of a hut.
	301410H	YS345801	En camp with 2 well constr bunkers. A tackle is placed near entrance of 1 bunker.
	301410H	YS3477	Well worn track follows west bank of creek. Other tracks lead off into thick bamboo under which are loc fighting pits.
	301410F	YS3478,3479	En camps previously struck by air. Some usable bunkers remain. COMMENT: Appears to be old recorded camps. Old bn size base camp of D440 loc in square YS3477

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- 1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No. 150/70.
- 2. Period covered from 300001H to 302400H May 70.
- 3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were no contacts with Task Force Elements.

a. Ground Activity.

(1) AO WICKHAM

- (a) Further to Instl Report INTSUM 149/70 3 a.(3)(b). Bkr system covered area 50X50m, circular with 14" OHP and open fighting bay, dirty, hastily vacated 4 weeks ago. 1 X posn on high ground used recently. Qty oil, cooking tins, 1 water bottle, 2 X 1 gal plastic containers and one small set of scales destroyed.
- (b) Late Report. At YS322697, 3/V/2 RAR/NZ located and destroyed a circular bkr system comprising 10 bkrs with approx 14" OHP. Last used 4 weeks ago.
- (c) At YS321697, 2/V/2 RAR/NZ located a circular shaped bkr system 200 X 100m comprising of 18 bkrs, some damage by previous airstrike.
- (d) (300200H) At YS3470 (FSPB NOLA) a sentry heard mov and engaged 1 en. En approached NW and wdr NW.
- (e) At YS346632, 3/A/2 RAR/NZ located a water point, nearby 5 caves used one month ago, and mine markers. One mine found buried.
- (f) (300845H) At YS351653, 2/V/2 RAR/NZ located a bkr system in a deep creek line, natural caves and bkrs, 75X100m, used one month ago. An aid post was located in the centre of the camp. 2 small bkrs were destroyed and a small sup of clothing and med items found.
- (g) At YS336657, 2 RAR/NZ located a camp of 4 caves in an area 200X50m, last used 1 day before, with sleeping platforms and qty med sups.
- (h) (301350H) At YS305665, C/2 RAR/NZ located an Atk mine (20lb exp) 2" below the surface of the track.
- (i) At YS354662, 5/B/2 RAR/NZ reported signs of recent movement. NFI.
- (j) Further to mine incident reported in INTSUM 149/70 Para 3 a.(3)(c). Mine ident as Claymore.
- (k) (301520H) At YS338656 2 RAR/NZ located an en trg camp 150 X 20m, consisting of 2 caves (20mX20m deep and 30X80m deep) with sleeping spaces for 10, an obstacles trg course, mine trg area, panji pit trg area, 1 X 10' X 10' sand table. Caves occupied by caretaker party in last 24 hrs. Main party left 3-4 days ago. Found were 5 X M.6 mines (trg type), propaganda leaflets, small qty med sups, clothing. Booby trap incident (ref INTSUM 149/70 3a.(3)(a)) occurred on outskirts of this camp.
- (l) At YS344635 3/A/2 RAR/NZ located a small disused rice cache consisting of a wooden green box 3'X2'X18" buried in ground.

(2) AO KIPPER.

- (a) (301330H) At YS372900 8/C/8 RAR located a large bkr system of 17 bkrs, 12 accomodation bkrs, 1 cmd bkr and a bkr used as a med aid post. A cook house was found with fires still hot rice scattered in vic. System brand new, max 1 month old, some positions still uncompleted. Occupied to 300930H. Recovered were cooking utensils, 1 S&S weapon U/S, 20-30lbs rice, med sups and mixed stores, 1 gas mask and qty docus(See Annex B for docus readout).

(3) Other Areas.

- (a) Further to contact ref INTSUM 149/70 para 3 a(4)(b). (292200H) AT YS438526, ptl from Aslt Prr Pl/8 RAR contacted approx 30 en armed with AK47s and RPGs. En approached from the West, from area of LO VOI, and wdr East. Pos: 2 en KIA, 1XAN47 and 1 M16, qty med sups including 100 phials of penicillin, qty of clothing CIA. 8 heavy blood trails led to the East. Comment. Same gp which attacked PF at LO VOI 292100H wdr to LONG HAI. No ident possible at this time but probably C1/D4.45 or C25 LONT DAT DIST.

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b. Omitted.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a. Omitted.

b. Total KIA discovered during this reporting period that were killed but not reported in a previous period.

(1) Omitted.

(2) Aust Inflicted - 2 VC

(3) Omitted.

c. Omitted.

d. Omitted.

e. Enemy Weapons and Material Captured or Destroyed.

(1) Captured Weapons.

(a) Individual - 3

(b) Crew Served - Nil.

(c) Breakdown - 1 X AK47, 1 X M16, 1 X SKS U/S.

(2) Captrued and Destroyed Material.

(a) Captured. Qty med sups, qty clothing, 100 phials pennicillin, 1 gas mask, qty docus.

(b) Destroyed. Qty oil, qty cooking tins, 1 water bottle, 2 X 1 gal plastic containers, small set of scales, qty med sups.

(3) Captured and Destroyed Foodstuff.

<u>CO ORD</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>QTY</u>	<u>DISPOSITION</u>
YS372900	Rice	20-30lbs	Unk

(4) and (5) Omitted.

f. Cumulative Totals For Month.

(1) KIA - 58 VC

(2) PW - 5

(3) Hoi Chanh - Nil.

(4) VCI - Nil.

(5) Individual Weapons - 32

(6) Crew Served Weapons - Nil.

(7) Rice Captured 1.42 Tons.

(8) and (9) Omitted.

5. New Obstacles, Barriers and Fortifications.

a. Omitted.

b. Enemy Emplaced Mines and Booby Traps.

(1) Destroyed by Friendly Forces. AT MINES - YS305665 (201b Chicom).

(2) Omitted.

6. and 7. Omitted.

8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 20/70 dated 25 May 70.

9. and 10. Omitted.

11. Miscellaneous.

a. Omitted.

b. Corrections to Previous INTSUMS.

(1) Ref INTSUM 149/70:

(a) Para 3 a.(3)(d) delete all reference to FSPB NOLA.

c. d. and e. Omitted.

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f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

(1) Late Report (292100H) At YS428524, 57PF pl were ambushed by an est 10 VC using SA and mines, who wdr East after contact. Res: En cas unk, 4 PF KIA, 2 X M16 and 1 Claymore missing.

Comment. One gp engaged PF while others entered LO VOI for sups, see para 3 a. (4)(a).

(2) (300905H) At YS639765 A/S resulted in 1 bkr damaged and 1 structure destroyed.

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Annexes: B. Captured Documents.
C. Agent Reports.

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ANNEX B TO
1 ATF INTSUM 150/70
DATED 30 MAY 70

CAPTURED DOCUMENTS

1. Batch No: 282/70.
Capturing Unit: C/8 RAR
DOC/POC: 30 May 70 YS372900.
Circumstances: Found in a bunker.

Summary of Contents: Treatment slips for cas of various units, mostly 274 Regt, dated Sept-Nov 69. Units ident incl 33 Regt and D440.x This was probably a camp used by 274 Regt Dispensary.

ANNEX C TO
1 ATF INTSUM 150/70
DATED 30 MAY 70

AGENT REPORT

1. DUC THANH Agent report(no evaluation) received at 301515H stated on night 29-30 May 70 12 VC entered BINH BA Rubber Plantation and collected rice. Collection point was near the rubber processing factory. Source also stated that VC enter and collect rice at the same place every Friday night.

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No. 151/70
2. Period covered from 310001H to 312400H May 70.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were two contacts with Task Force Elements.

a. Ground Activity(1) AO WICKHAM

- (a) (311330H). At YS349643, 2/A/2 RAR/NZ loc US Transmitter 6"X6"X9". Suspect rocket shaped portion on one side may be booby trap. Still to be examined.
- (b) (311430H). At YS350641, 2/A/2 RAR/NZ loc 1X 155 and 1X 105 U X Bs to be destroyed tomorrow.
- (c) (311540H). At YS287669., 7/C/2 RAR/NZ loc 7 freshly cut logs 10 feet long & 6" to 8" diameter when they investigated sounds of chopping. Drag marks of logs lead NE. Area to be ambushed tonight. Comment: Loggers have been usually cutting timber in this area, unlikely VC.
- (d) For Ref INTSUM 149/70 Para 3.a.(3)(b). Area 300m X 200m contained 21 bunkers with 14" of OHP. Last occupied over 4 weeks ago. Destroyed by engrs.
- (e) (311255H). At YS306665, 8/C/2 RAR/NZ loc bunker system of 12 bunkers for est 50 pers. All with approx 2ft OHP. Last occupied 6 months ago, but used by at least 2 persons in last two days. Recovered were qty explosive devices. (See para 4.e.(2)(a). Bunkers destroyed.
- (f) (310825H). At YS344636, 3/A/2 RAR/NZ loc 1X44 gal drum and 1X kerosene tin in small cave plus rice cache previously destroyed by fr trcops. Human waste approx 2 days old in area.

(2) AO CATHY

- (a) (311204H). At YS547575, 8/C/7 RAR contacted 4 enemy. Results 2X VC KIA (BC), 1X VC WIA(BT)., 1X Garand rifle, small qty med sups and qty docus CIA. Wounded en crawled into swamp and is being pursued.

(3) AO KIPPER

- (a) Ref INTSUM 150/70. Para 3.a. (2)(a). 3 graves loc on edge of bunker system. 1 grave dug yesterday. Recovered were 1X SKS rifle, and other items. (See Para 4.e.(2)(a).
- (b) (311310H). At YS430890., 6/B/8 RAR loc 1 grave approx 1-2 weeks old.
- (c) (312057H). At YS401637, ptl of 8 RAR sighted 2 VC. En came from NW. Sweep to be conducted at first light.

(4) OTHER AREAS.

- (a) (311150H). At YS477569, 1 Fd Sqn loc and cleared road lock on Route 326.
- (b) (311300H). At YS469660. ptl of 2 RAR/NZ apprehended 3VN males bearing temp ID cards. Released after intg.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.a. Total KIA occurring during this reporting period.

(1) Omitted.

(2) Aust Inflicted - 2 VC. (3) Omitted.

e. Enemy Weapons and Material Captured or Destroyedb.c.d. Nil. (1) Captured Weapons

(a) Individual - 4

(b) Crew served - Nil

(c) Breakdown - 1X SKS rifle, 3X unident pistols.

(2) Captured and Destroyed Materiel

(a) Captured Qty CHICOM mortar, bombs, 5X locally made bombs. Qty bamboo electrical pressure switches. 4 X mines. 1X 155mm and 1X 105mm projectile minus fuses. 99X .50 calibre rds, 128X 7.62mm linked rds. 132X 5.56mm rds. 38 X AK47 rds. 6X M16 mags. 5 alum water bottles. 4X opium pipes. 1X pint kero.

1X pint Phenol. Qty webbing. 1X entrenching tool. 3X belts. Qty clothing. 2X yds plastic tubing 1/4". 1X AK47 mag. 6X surgical bowls. Qty cooking utensils. Large qty plastic containers. 10X lbs rock salt. Large qty black plastic. 100X sand bags. 1X gas mask. 3X prs scissors. Qty docus. Qty med sups incl more than 400 used & unused phials of medicine. 1X friction grenade. 3X pistols.

(3) Captured and Destroyed Foodstuff

<u>CO-ORD</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>DISPOSITION</u>
YS372900	Rice	125lbs	Unk
	Fish	2lbs	Dest.
	Beans	3/4lbs	"
	Cook Oil	1/2 gal	"

4.5. Omitted.

f. Cumulative Totals For Month.

- (1) KIA 59 VC
- (2) PW - 5
- (3) Hoi Chanh - Nil
- (4) VCI - Nil
- (5) Individual Weapons - 36
- (6) Crew Served Weapons - Nil
- (7) Rice Captured 1.58 Tons
- (8) 122mm Rockets (complete) - Nil;
- (9) 107mm Rockets (complete) - Nil

5. New Obstacles, Barriers and Fortifications

a. LOC Interdiction and Incidents

(1) Interdictions

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORD</u>	<u>LOC</u>	<u>OCCURRENCE</u>
311150H	YS477569	Route 326	Road Block

2. Omitted.

b.(1) Omitted.

(2) Resulting in Friendly Losses.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORD</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
312040H	YS637627	AP	1X VN KIA

6. Enemy Unit Identification, Location and Movements.

a. Documents captured on the female KIA by 8/C/7 RAR at 311205H at YS547575 identify her as ANH BAY. (poss LE THI ANH of the LONG DAT DIST HOSP). No identification was made of the other VC KIA.

b. Docus captured by 8 RAR at YS372900 on 31 May 70 further ident 274 Regt, dated Nov 69. Incl is a list of tele nos poss of SAIGON area, possibly indicating contacts or agents at a no of CWN depts and two ARVN offrs. List passed to HQ Sector for investigation.

7.9.10 Omitted.

8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 150/70 dated 30 May 70.

11. Miscellaneous.

a.c.d.e. Omitted.

b. Corrections to Previous INTSUMS

(1) Ref INTSUM 15/70.

(a) Para 3a.(c) delete all detail.

(b) Para 3.a.(i)(f) line 1: Unit was 2/V/2 RAR/NZ.

f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

(a) (312040H). At YS637627, VC mine exploded. Results. 1 X VN KIA.

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ANNEX B = Captured Documents.
ANNEX E - Aerial Reconnaissance

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ANNEX B (Captured Documents)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 151/70
dated 31 May 70.

1. Ref 1 ATF INTSUM 150/70 ANNEX B further study of captured docus reveals the following ident of 274 Regt:

- K22 Tn Coy
- D1 1 Bn
- C3/D2 C3/2Bn
- B2/Q4 Possibly Political Staff Sect.
- B3/A54 Rear Svc Staff Sect
- K21 Spr, Recce Coy
- K20 Sig Coy
- K18 HMG Coy
- C11/D3 1st Coy/3 Bn
- C14/D3 Hy Wpns Coy/3Bn
- K6/D2 1st Coy/2Bn
- D3 3Bn
- B25/Q4 Possibly Trg Coy, usually ref to as C25.
- K21A Med Unit
- K24 Youth Aslt Coy

Note: K6/D2 was reported in INTSUM 150/70 as ident of D440. This now seems unlikely although the numbers are ident. All dated docus were from Nov-Dec 69, although the base has been in recent use, and most referred to med treatment of cas indicating this as the med dispensary of 274 Regt.

ANNEX E (Aerial Reconnaissance)
to 1 ATF INTSUM No. 151/70
dated 31 May 70

1. Visual Recce

<u>DTG</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Sighting</u>
301200H	YS307754	En camp previously loc by SAS. Camp consisted of 6 large bunkers and a hut.
301200H	YS308759	En camp loc consisting of 3 large bunkers and a frame of a hut.
301410H	YS345801	En camp with 2 well constr bunkers. A tackle is placed near entrance of 1 bunker.
301410H	YS3477	Well worn track follows west bank of creek. Other tracks lead off into thick bamboo under which are loc fighting pits.
301410F	YS3478, 3479	En camps previously struck by air. Some usable bunkers remain. COMMENT: Appears to be old recorded camps. Old bn size base camp of D440 loc in square YS3477.

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 135 - 70
2. Period covered from 150001H to 152400H May 70.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were three contacts with Task Force Elements.

a. Ground Activity

(1) AO QUARTERMILE

(a) (150001H) at YS422623, 2 Pl A Coy 8 RAR contacted 2 - 3 men who approached from west and then headed east. Early morning sweep revealed drag marks. Res. 1 VC WIA.

(b) (152005H) 5 Pl B Coy 8 RAR in contact with est squad of VC (NFI).

(2) LONG SON ISLAND AO

(a) (151320H) at YS311663, 1 Pl W Coy 6 RAR/NZ loc a cylindrical pressure CHICCM mine 4" below surface. Mine disarmed.

(b) (151701H) at YS313663, 1 Pl W Coy 6 RAR/NZ loc bunker system. Numerous tracks in area. Sweep to be conducted.

(3) AO CATHY

(a) (150845H) at YS576686, B Coy 7 RAR found a VC body GSW to chest and back, 2 weeks' old. Credited to Contact of 4/B/7 RAR on 3 May 70.

(b) (151300H) at YS547707, 6 Pl B Coy 7 RAR loc body of VC killed by GSW to stomach and thigh, about two days old. Credited to contact 5/B/7 RAR on 121120H.

(4) Other Areas

(a) (151115H) at YS447768, base ptl from Atk Pl 8 RAR with NP detained 5 civ suspected of being VC. Civs carried ID cards. After questioning at DUC THANH they were released as innocent civs.

(b) (151315H) at YS592825, ptl from SAS sighted 3 VC moving north through scrub, one dressed in white shirt and two in comouflage shirts. One pack and 2 AK47s seen. Area engaged by Bushrangers.

(c) (151210H) at YS494508, 2 Tp A Sqn 1 Armd Regt, while eng what was thought to be a slit trench, observed 1 large secondary explosion.

(d) (151427H) at YS502511, 2 Yp A Sqn 1 Armd Regt loc a no of mine markers, 3 M16 fuzes and 1 M16 detonator. 3 women seen departing area as tps approached.

b. Omitted.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a. Total KIA occurring during this reporting period.

(1)(2)(3) Omitted.

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b. Total KIA discovered during this reporting period that were killed but not reported in a previous period.

- (1) Omitted.
- (2) Aust inflicted - 2 VC
- (3) Omitted.

c. Detainees

- (1) Omitted.
- (2) Innocent Civilians - 5
- (3)(4) Omitted.
- (5) Still Undergoing Interrogation - 6
- (6) Omitted.

d.e. Omitted.

f. Cumulative Totals For Month.

- (1) KIA - 35 VC
- (2) PW - Nil
- (3) Hoi Chanh - Nil
- (4) VCI - Nil
- (5) Individual Weapons - 14
- (6) Crew Served Weapons - Nil
- (7) Rice Captured - Nil
- (8) 122mm Rockets (complete) - Nil
- (9) 107mm Rockets (complete) - Nil

5. a. Omitted.

b. Enemy Emplaced Mines and Booby Traps

(1) Destroyed by Friendly Forces.

YS311663. Cylindrical pressure CHICOM mine.

(2) Resulting in Friendly Losses.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>CO-ORD</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>RESULTS</u>
141915H	YS252730	Unk	1 civ WIA
151300H	YS252729	B40 Booby Trap	1 truck damaged,

6. Enemy Unit Identification, Location and Movements.

a. Documents found on the VC KIA by A/7 RAR at YS495570 at 132200H May 70 identify him as MIEN a Section Commander in Bn HQ D445.

b. The eight VC KIA in the contact with 3/A/8 RAR at YS405627 at 142050H May 70 (Ref ONTSUM 134 - 70 Para 3a(2)(a) have been identified as follows:

- DOAN VAN DONG - C41
- BCN - C41
- NGUYEN HUU NGHIA - MEDIC B2/C41
- TRAN VAN THANH - Inf Recce C41

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VO VAN CHIEN - COMMO LIASON C41
NGUYEN VAN SANG - Engr Recce C41
NGUYEN VAN ANH - Inf Recce C41
DOAN VAN DAN - Medic B2/C41

7. Omitted.

8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 18 - 70 dated 12 May 70.

9.10. Omitted

11. Miscellaneous.

a. Omitted.

b. Corrections to Previous INTSUMS

(1) Ref INTSUM 134 - 70.

(a) Para 3a(2)(a). Delete "7 VC KIA (BC)" and insert "8 VC KIA (BC)".

(b) Para 4a(2) delete "7 VC" and insert "8 VC".

(c) Para 4f(1) amend to read "33 VC".

c. Omitted.

d. Agent Reports.

LONG DIEN authorities believe LONG DIEN guerillas sp by gp from D445 will attempt to conduct a propaganda meeting in LONG DIEN in the period 15 - 17 May. Approach may be from NE. No eval.

e. Omitted.

f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

(1) Late Report. (141915H) at YS252730, 576 RF Coy reported that a VC mine was det by a civ from PHU MY riding a bicycle, Mine was on side of road and may have been laid with road block. (See INTSUM 134 - 70.) 1 civ WIA who was dusted off to BARIA.

(2) Late Report. (14 May 70) at YS687627, A/S conducted on en base camp. BDA: 1 large tin hut destroyed, 1 bunker destroyed, 3 bunkers damaged, 2 bunkers exposed and 1 secondary explosion.

(3) (150645H) at YS273657, 252 RF Coy reported a road block made from branches and piles of dirt with 1 TNT booby trap. Road block destroyed.

(4) (150916I & 15927H) at YS312656, USAF conducted 2 A/S. No BDA.

(5) (151140H) at YS788900, RAAF conducted A/S. No BDA.

(6) (151300H) at YS252729, veh from RMK (enr contractors) det a B40 booby trap resulting in slight damage to truck. No cas.

(7) (15 May 70) at YS446545, arty strike conducted on en camp. BDA: 1 bunker damaged, 1 bunker exposed, 1 tunnel entrance caved in. Clothing and tins scattered around area.

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ANNEX e - Aerial Reconnaissance.

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ANNEX E (Aerial Reconnaissance)
to 1 ATF INTSUM NO. 135 - 70
dated 15 May 70.

1. Visual Recce

<u>DTG</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Sighting</u>
15 May 70	YS476516	Recent activity from ruins at this loc up the slope 323 and SW to the rocky area at YS477512. Activity consists of tracks and living areas in rocks. Recent lack of comouflage could suggest area has been vacated recently.
	YS473530	Clothing, apparently laid out to dry.
	YS476511	Living areas under rock shelf.
	YS477512	Camouflaged gaps in rocks.
	YS480525	Freshly used track leads from this loc west over saddle then south off old track at YS472513 around high ground to rocky re-entrant.
	YS490517	Old track commencing this loc has had fresh use continuing to YS484508 where it continued further west. Area 500m radius around YS 478506 contains scattered living areas and track activity.
	YS465533	Plastic in between rocks and US pattern ammo box near by.

2,3,4,5.Omitted.

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1 ATF SUPERSEDED 17/10

PERIOD 28 Apr - 4 May InclIII CORPS

1. En Activity. En initiated activity in the corps area during most of the week consisted of widely scattered light attacks by fire and minor ground actions. However, there was a significant increase in attacks by fire on the night of 2/3 May when the en attempted to stage a high point.
2. Ident.
 - a. 9 VC Div remains in western TAY NINH - Cambodian border area; neither 271 nor 272 Regt was ident in contact during the week.
 - b. 7 NVA Div AO now extends from NE War Zone C to NW BINH LONG Province. 141 Regt was not ident and appeared to remain out of contact.
 - c. 5 VC Div remains NW and NE PHUOC LONG. 275 Regt was not ident during the week.
 - d. 33 NVA Regt remains in west central BINH TUY.
 - e. 274 VC Regt, no change area BINH SON.
3. Assessment. En activity is likely to remain at an increased level in the corps during the next 3 - 4 days. However, the enemy's capability to conduct serious off ops has probably been influenced by events in CAMBODIA. The lack of identifiable contact with 271, 272, 141, and 275 Regts suggests that these regts might now be on ops inside CAMBODIA so reducing the threat considerably to northern III Corps. However, other MF regts still maintain a significant off capability.
4. Small unit actions, spr attacks and attacks by fire can be expected against RF/PF, PSDF, RDC and GVN admin posts throughout the corps. There are strong indications that a concentrated effort will be made against GVN village and hamlet admin using local force units and guerillas. No large scale ground attacks are expected.

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5. General. There were 20 contacts during the week for a total of 18 VC KIA (incl 4 bodies found from an earlier contact). Three of these contacts were with gps of up to 20 trying to enter DAT DO and HOA LONG.
6. AO PENNY. 7 RAR cont to find bunkers constr by D445 during that unit's recent attempt to get estb in the TAN RU/DAT SET area. Four different posns, all newly constr, have now been ident as recently occupied by sub-units of D445 and C6 D440. The largest was of 22 bunkers at YS585709 previously occupied by HQ and one coy. There were two contacts with C6/D440 at YS571679 on 3 May indicating the cont presence of that coy, although captured docus previously revealed that it had been instr to return north to BA LONG base area. It is possible that one coy of D445 also remains in AO PENNY in order to cont rice collection for BA LONG.
7. 8 RAR.
 - a. In ops around DAT DO, APs twice had hy contacts with large gps of D445 and local guerillas trying to enter the town. Captured docus show idents of all coys of D445 during the week but it cannot be confirmed that all are actually present in the area of the LONG HAI. Docus from a contact on ni 3/4 May incl a recent sketch map of PHUOC THANH/PHUOC HOA LONG showing a plan of attack against the RDC compound at approx YS488598. There were also detailed instrs on reconstr of mine defs in and around the LONG HAI and on the development of a new track system around that area and into DAT DO.
 - b. In ops west of Route 2 ptls of 8 RAR had a contact with about 20 VC on 30 Apr at YS373756. This was probably a gp of D440 but no positive ident was made. On 1 May ptls found the base camp of the BINH BA Guerilla Unit at YS401748 after three contacts with that unit in which 4 VC were killed.

8. En Activity.

a. Plans were almost certainly made to attack a GVN post in DAT DO during the week, probably the RDC compound at PHUOC THANH, but were frustrated by 8 RAR ambushes. Further attempts will probably be made in the coming week.

b. The expected mine attacks by BA LONG engrs against vehs on Route 2 and its side rds have been taking place with anti tk mine incidents on the southern edge of BINH BA rubber (YS434735) and in COURTENAY area (YS445892). Three other mines were found and destroyed in the BINH BA area. This activity is likely to cont in an effort to prevent route constr and land clearing.

9. En Deployments. D445 or the maj part of it remain in the MINH DAM with C25 and local guerillas. Most activity reported by VR appears to be in the northern part of the main feature. C6 and possibly one coy of D445 appear still to remain in the TAN NG/DAT SLET area.

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1. En Activity. Maj en units have been engaged by Allied ops in CAMBODIA but in gen have been trying to avoid contact. In the sub-regions during the week there were some 10 light attacks by fire only and the en have not been able to implement directives to conduct a much higher level of ops. There was one rkt attack against an ARVN school at THU DUC on ni 6/7.
2. En Locs.
 - a. 9 VC Div along the west TAY NINH - CAMBODIA border with main concs inside CAMBODIA. 272 Regt north of DOG'S NECK; 95 C Regt on the border west of TAY NINH; 271 Regt ENE of SVAY RIENG in CAMBODIA.
 - b. 7 NVA Div, south and NW of the FISH HOOK. 165 and 209 Regts south of the FISHHOOK and 141 Regt in MIMOT-SNOUL area in CAMBODIA.
 - c. 5 VC Div, northern PHUOC LONG Province. 275 Regt was not ident in contact but probably north of BU DOP. 174 Regt remains NW of DUC PHUONG.
 - d. 33 NVA Regt, SE of THANH LINH, BINH TUY.
 - e. 274 VC Regt no change south and SE of BINH SON.
3. Assessment. Attempts might be made in the coming week to increase activity sharply with diversionary attacks in the northern provinces of the corps area, particularly by attacks by fire and spr attacks on allied instls. Counter pacification activity is expected to cont throughout the corps.

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4. General
 - a. There were 12 contacts with small en gps in which 6 VC were KIA, these were mainly gps trying to enter the hamlets on Route 44, DAT DO, LONG DIEN and HOA LONG. There were 3 mine incidents involving TF vehs and 3 mines were loc and destroyed.
 - b. VC initiated 5 minor attacks by fire against RF/PF at LONG DIEN, PHUOC HAI, HOI MY and SOUI NGHE and set one rd block on Route 326. 1 VC and 1 PF were killed.
 - c. The increase in en activity planned for this period has not eventuated due primarily to ambushes which have greatly reduced VC freedom of mov, and to the heavy fire which has been directed into and around his base areas in the LONG HAIs.
5. En Intentions
 - a. Directives from COSVN to sub-regions contained in recent captured docus. These reveal that May is considered to be a most important phase of off ops, both to negate any increase in GVN capabilities to assume further responsibilities from Allied forces, and to exploit weaknesses created by the redeployment of Allied and ARVN forces to CAMBODIA. The greatest effort has been called for form MF Regts and LF units to sp a special emphasis on widespread spr and guerilla attacks against RDC, RFPP, Special Police, the PHOENIX org and GVN officials.

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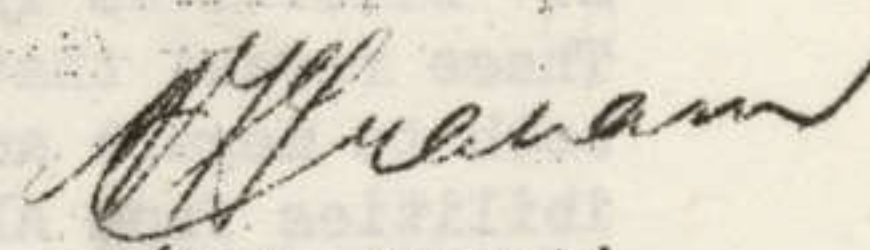
- b. Docus, however, also reflect concern on the present weakness of the low level VC structure, the strength of which is fundamental to the whole VC org, and indicate serious problems of supply and leadership.
- c. D445 returned to its base in the MINH DAM, and began to re-develop the mine defs and a new track system, clearly with the intention of remaining for some time and trying to implement this new phase of activity called for by higher HQ.
- d. A recent HOI CHANH from C4/D445 states that he overheard an O Gp held in the LONG HAIIs at which the CO detailed coys to sp local guerillas in ops against LONG DIEN, DAT DO and PHUOC HAI, which is in accordance with COSVN instrs.

6. En Capabilities

- a. Ambushes so far have prevented attempts to interfere seriously in the villages and the VC will appreciate by now that ops by large gps of 20-30 are very vulnerable.
- b. It is probable that while the present pressure on the area is maint the difficulty of VC mov will be such that no more than very minor harrassment of GVN posts will be attempted. D445 morale has been affected by losses and coy strengths now average only about 24 pers. The wpns coy has only one 82mm mor, 2 x 12.8 HMGs (without tripods) and one 75mm RCL.
- c. CHAU DUC is having similar difficulties, and has even less capability, in its attempts to op against HOA LONG and the Route 2 villages. 3 VC killed SW of HOA LONG on the ni 9/10 May were ident as members of the spr/reece pl which normally provides the scout gp for the main body, so this ambush probably prevented another attempt to enter HOA LONG. The str of C41 appears to be about 30.
- d. D440 has made no identified attack in its AO along Route 2. there are now only two small coys avail and these seem reluctant to commence ops in DUC THANH Dis. There have been reported several entries by small gps of VC into SOUI NGHE and DUC MY, one gp being fired on by RF on ni 9/10. These were probably trying to get food sups. A gp of BA LONG Engrs appears to be engaged in laying mines on and near Route 2, as was previously reported, and this will cont in an attempt to limit veh mov and road const.

7. En Locs

- a. D445, with LONG DAT Dist local guerillas, remains in the LONG HAIIs, principally in the southern CHAU VIEN feature, as indicated by a HOI CHANH and by VR.
- b. CHAU DUC Dist and C41 are probably loc in the CHAU PHA valley or in the NUI DINH. The BARIA CITY UNIT and a gp of VUNG TAU UNIT, associated with CHAU DUC, are probably also in the NUI DINH. A coy of D67 Engrs usually based in the NUI THI VAI but has not been ident for several months.
- c. HQ D440 with two coys, the BINH BA guerillas with about 10 pers and NGAI GIAO guerillas with possibly another 10, are probably loc in the gen area west of NGIA GIAO but frequently move their bases to avoid contact.



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1. En Activity. There was a brief increase of en attacks by fire on 20-21 May, with 14 attacks reported, generally in the northern part of the Corps area. These were mainly mor attacks and only 2 exceeded 20 rds. On and across the border there was reported only scattered resistance to search ops in the COSVN base areas.

2. Friendly Activity. Inside CAMBODIA ops slowed considerably to consolidate to remove or destroy captured material. The COSVN HQ base area 16 KM WNW of MIMOT was struck by B52s on 11 May and recent ground recce confirmed 151 killed (body count), however the main part of the HQ is believed to have moved prior to the strike to a new base in the region of the CHLONG River.

3. En Locs.

a. 5,7 and 9 Divs have moved further west from the border and have generally tried to avoid maj contacts.

b. 33 NVA Regt remains south of TAN LINH where ARVN and US forces have cont to inflict cas.

c. 274 VC Regt, no identifiable change around BINH SON.

4. Assessment. En activity will cont to be limited to attacks by fire against GVN and allied bases.

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1. Gen.

a. There were 13 contacts in which 11 VC were killed (body count) and 3 PW captured. There were 2 maj contacts, one by A/7 RAR with tankstand APCs against a coy plus bunker posn of C2/D445 at YS 517662, the other by W/2 RAR against a bunker posn of a gp of CHAU DUC DIST UNIT at YS 324658.

b. 820 lbs of rice were captured and a large no of bunkers were found principally those of D445 in AO CATHY and south of DAT DO.

c. A HOI CHANH from D445 is at present co-op with 7 RAR in a search for two caches of ammo and mines apparently known to him in AO CATHY.

d. There were no en initiated actions of any significance in the province.

2. En Intentions. As reported last week, May was intended by COSVN to be a period of much increased activity in the sub regions, however in BA LONG no increase has been evident. This inactivity is probably due to disruption by allied ops and the apparent reluctance of sub-region forces to comply with higher directives. In the immediate future the en will attempt to avoid contact and try to reorg.

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3. En Capabilities. Capabilities remain unchanged to conduct minor harassment of GVN admin and forces with a view to preventing the development of GVN self-reliance for local security. There is a limited capability to disseminated propaganda, and to conduct mining and attacks by fire. An increasing difficulty of ammo sup will reduce further this capability in the future.

4. En Locs.

a. D445 as a unit has been so disorganised that individual sub-units have to be searched out separately. Each sub-unit has its own sup area in DAT DO and LONG DIEN districts and each is designated to sup different local guerilla gps. Consequently each will try to maintain base area conveniently placed for its purposes. At present C2 probably remain in AQ CATHY having lost its most recent base, from which it can best approach the Northern part of DAT DO. C3 with its normal AO centred on PHUOC HAI probably is in the LIGHT GREEN/LONG GREEN HQ. C1 and C4 were reported in the LONG HAI (YS471498) on 23 May by a HOI CHANH from the HQ, but there is also evidence that C4 was to undertake a resup msn to BA LONG some 10 days ago. C1 has not been indent for several weeks but its area of responsibility is PHUOC HOA LONG so it might well have remained in the LONG HAI.

b. Part of the VUNG TAU city unit resident in a contact with W/2RAR in the southern NUI DINH in which the 2IC of that unit was killed, and two small bunker posn destroyed. This unit has been inactive for some time and probably remains in the NUI DINH where it is normally associated with BARIA City unit.

c. W/2RAR also attacked a small base on the West of the NUI DINH, ident as used by a gp of CHAN DUC District. Other gps are probably in the Western part of the hill. A HOI CHANH from the HQ reported the main HQ base loc in the NUI DINH at YS346667, subsequently attacked by air. CUI is probably loc in the CHAU PHU valley or in the NUI DINH.

d. There has been no info avail on D440 and no identifiable activity by that unit or its associated local guerillas during the week. Its more usual area is between the SUOI DA DIEN and SUOI XOAI but its two coys are likely to move frequently to avoid contact.

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ALPHA.	25 DIV	1 AIR CAV	11 ACR	3 AA
KIA	538	1354	138	72
PW	73	19	4	1
BALLIER	200	2	7	1
IND WANS	265	4137	45	266
CSW	22	421	31	112
TONS RICE	150	702	23	65
122 Rkts	7	481	-	-
107 "	-	4	-	-
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ANNEX H TO COMMANDER'S DIARY OF HQ 1 ATF

FROM 1 MAY 70 TO 31 MAY 70

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDERS AND INSTRUCTIONS ISSUED

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Quote in reply

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HQ 1 ATF
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26 May 70

List B (less serials 4, 24-30)

Q INSTRUCTION 6/70
INSPECTION OF UNIT AMMUNITION
AND AMMUNITION STORAGE

Introduction

1. AMF Equipment Instructions (1964) and AFV SOPs prescribe the conditions under which ammunition may be held and stored by units.
2. The ATO/AT is to inspect all unit ammo holdings and storage facilities at least once every month.
3. Within this context, the main responsibility of the ATO/AT is:
 - a. To inspect storage facilities and inform the unit as to the type and quantity of ammunition that may be held.
 - b. To verify that ammunition held by units is stored in accordance with current regulations.
 - c. Advice to unit on all ammunition storage matters.
 - d. To verify that all ammunition, including inert items, is serviceable.
 - e. To instruct units in correct methods of maintenance and preservation of ammunition.
 - f. To ensure that unit holdings are not excessive.
 - g. To facilitate turnover of 1st line stocks.

Action Prior to Inspection

4. The ATO/AT should advise the unit of the date of his proposed visit by a monthly inspection programme.
5. He is to obtain details of the units' ammunition entitlement from DAQMG 1 ATF.
6. The previous inspection report should be studied, with particular reference to any recommendations made.
7. On arrival at the unit the ATO/AT should report to the unit 2IC and explain the purpose of his visit and the services available to the unit.
8. Details of unit ammunition holdings should be obtained from the unit ledger, regarding nature, quantity and lot/batch numbers.

2/ Inspection of Storage.

Inspection of Storage

9. The main inspection points are listed on the "Unit Ammunition Storage Inspection Report". Additional notes on the compilation of the report and a sample report, are given in Annex A to this instruction.

Inspection of Ammunition

10. Unit inspections may be based on a flexible sampling scheme by which the general condition of the ammunition may be assessed.

11. Inspection is to be carried out as follows:

a. A representative sample of each nature and type of ammunition held is to be inspected externally and when considered necessary, inspected internally. The actual inspection is left to the discretion of the ATO/AT.

b. Whenever possible, samples are to be selected from unsealed packages.

c. All unsealed outer packages, and any damaged packages are to be opened for inspection of the ammunition therein. Sealed inner containers need not be opened for inspection of contents unless signs of corrosion, dampness or damage are evident.

12. Units holding ammunition that may be suspended, restricted, unserviceable or no longer required are to have these items added to the inspection programme for "Turn In". In this case the unit is to request a special inspection through the CP, TFMA, immediately and is not to wait for the routine inspection as forecasted on the programme.

13. In all cases of "Turn In" ammunition the unit is to submit an AF-G1033 to TFMA AP (unregistered as units do not account for ammunition) detailing ammunition by nature, type, quantity and lot/batch number, and reason for turn in of each item.

14. Ammunition for "Turn In" is to be prepared for inspection by the ATO/AT at the unit as follows:

a. Suspended, restricted, excess holdings unserviceable and surplus ammunition, should be in its original packages with seals unbroken.

b. Open packages or loose items are to be set out in empty 105mm boxes (these are obtainable from 176 AD P1).

(1) All types of Hand or Rifle grenades are to have the safety pins splayed, and the striker levers will be firmly taped to grenade body.

(2) High Explosive. Incendiary, CS Riot (Tear Gas), Pyrotechnic Grenade, (Smoke HC, Illuminating, Trip flare and smoke coloured) and Smoke WP Grenades, are to be packed into separate boxes.

(3) Grenades M79. All types are to be separated in bandoliers, loose HE, loose miscellaneous types. When loose they should be packed ready for destruction in 105mm boxes.

3/Blasting Caps etc.....

(4) Blasting Caps and Claymore Detonators. These are to be packed in a .50 cal metal box in sand, with all electric detonator leads bared and shorted out by twitching the ends of the leads.

(5) Claymore Mines. Should be kept complete in the satchel for inspection, (including leads, firing and test devices) until sanctioned by ATO/AT.

(6) Projectiles, Artillery or Mortar. Fused projectiles are to be packed in their original cylinders for protection in transport. Separate fuses and projectiles are to be packed whenever possible in their original packaging to afford maximum protection.

(7) Air-Craft Flares. All loose wires to be taped securely to flare body and whenever possible in original packaging.

(8) Small Arms Ammunition. Returned where practicable in its original inner and outer packaging. SAA in magazines is not acceptable. Loose rounds (unservicable only) are to be packed by calibre and type in 105mm boxes, link rounds must be separated from loose rounds.

15. Dangerous Ammunition. Any ammunition which, in the opinion of the ATO/AT is considered to be in a dangerous condition, is to be disposed of immediately under the direction of the ATO/AT.

Stock Levels

16. A careful check must be maintained to ensure that ammunition is being turned over so that stocks are not held for excessive periods.

17. After consultation with the unit OC/CO and DACMG, ATO/AT is to order the return of any unauthorized or excess stocks to the TEMA Ammunition Point.

18. The ATO/AT is to check the unit's standing orders governing ammunition storage and ensure that they are in accordance with current regulations.


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- Annex:
- A. Unit Ammunition Storage Inspection Report.
 - B. Points for Inclusion in Standing Orders for Storage of Unit Ammunition.

UNIT AMMUNITION STORAGE INSPECTION REPORT

1. The following notes serve as a guide to the method of compilation of the "Unit Ammunition Inspection Report".

Storage Accommodation

2. a. Type of Storehouse. A general description of the storehouse is to be given.
- b. Construction. Brief description, including details of floor, walls, roof, doors, windows, number of compartments.
- c. Electrical Installations. Brief description indicating lighting and power points, location of switches, whether system is in conduit, flame-proof, dust tight, totally enclosed etc.
- d. Ventilation. Very brief description and whether adequate.
- e. Assessment of Storage Accommodation. Indicate "Good", "Satisfactory" or "Unsatisfactory".
- (1) "Good" is to be entered when accommodation is a permanent construction in conformity with current regulations.
- (2) "Satisfactory" is to be entered in all instances when continued use of the accommodation for ammunition storage can be permitted.
- (3) "Unsatisfactory" should be entered when continued use of the storehouse for ammunition storage should not be permitted. This assessment may be occasioned by contravention of storage regulations or poor security etc.
- (4) Where applicable "Good" and "Satisfactory" may be qualified by "for SAA Safety Class only".

Safety Distances

3. Net explosive content and safety distances in relation to unit storage as published in AFV SOPs are to be observed.

Government Explosive Groups Held.

4. a. The groups actually found in the storehouse are to be listed whether their presence is permitted or not. Association of groups within compartments must be clearly shown.
- b. The following groups must be stored separately i.e., either separate buildings or compartments, SAA of "Safety Class" may be used as a traverse to divide storehouses into various compartments.
- (1) Group 3. (Separate Propellant Charges)
- (2) Group 7. (Prepared Demolition Charges and Mines)
- (3) Group 12. (White Phosphorous Fill Ammunition)
- (4) Group 13. (CS Riot Gas and Incendiary Oils)

(5) Group 15. (Bombs Incendiary Liquid)

Other groups which may be stored together are:-

(6) Groups 1, 2 and 4. (Gunpowder, Mil Dynamite, TNT, C3, C4)

(7) Groups 5,6,8 and 10. (Unbox shell, SAA, Rockets, Det Cord and detonators (traversed) HQ Gren)

(8) Groups 9 and 11. (Smoke and Pyrotechnics)

(9) SAA in Group 6 may be stored with any group.

Security

5. a. Is the security of the storehouse satisfactory? Doors, windows must conform to current security requirements.
- b. Are the keys of the storehouse adequately safeguarded? Custody of the keys must be delegated to a responsible person. Unauthorised personnel must not have access to the keys.
- c. Are the general security arrangements good in relation to Ammunition Storage? This relates to guards or other forms of surveillance. Isolation is a factor to be considered.

Methods of Storage

6. a. Is the ammunition segregated correctly? This requires particular attention. Regulations governing storage group compatibility must be fully observed. Dividing walls must be properly constructed.
- b. Is the ammunition stacked correctly? Special attention should be given to methods of stacking and specified minimum distances from stack to walls.
- c. Is the ammunition sorted into Lots/Batches? Each lot/batch must be readily identifiable. Particular attention paid to unsealed packages.
- d. Are special precautions taken for White Phosphorous? Particular attention should be paid to the provision of adequate containers filled with water and immediate medical first-aid facilities.
- e. If the storehouse is used for live ammunition, then arms, radioactive sources, stores, empty packages, fired cases, inert ammunition etc must not be stored in the same area.
- f. Are opened packages kept to a minimum? There should not be more than one opened package for each type of ammunition. Where an excessive number of open packages for the one type of ammunition is found, an explanation should be obtained from the unit.
- g. Does the storehouse contain only ammunition on charge to the unit under report? When other units are using the same storage accommodation a note is to be included under ATO/ATs remarks.

Fire Precautions

7. a. Are the storehouses and surrounds free from appreciable fire risk?
- (1) POL, paints, solvents, spare dunnage etc must not be stored in or near an ammunition store.
 - (2) Grass, foliage and undergrowth within fifty feet of the storehouse must be cleared or kept short.
 - (3) Rubbish, cleaning material and oily rags must not be kept in or within thirty feet of the ammunition store.
- b. Is the fire equipment adequate and properly maintained? If any doubt exists as to the adequacy of the fire appliances advice must be sought from the Task Force Fire Officer.
- c. Is a box provided to hold PROHIBITED ARTICLES? Any person entering the storehouse area must leave all smoking materials, lighters and matches in a special box provided outside the storehouse area.
- d. Are NO SMOKING notices conspicuously displayed? Notices must be large enough, legible and not defaced.
- e. Is there a fire fighting plan prepared in conjunction with local fire services? The unit should have a plan, prepared in conjunction with Task Force fire services, to cover action to be taken in event of fires involving ammunition. Any plan agreed upon must be kept up to date and the Task Force fire services must be informed of any changes or fire risk classifications.
- f. Is the fire risk symbol correct and properly displayed? The symbol to be displayed is to be decided by ATO/AT. Arrangements should exist for easy substitution of symbols should this become necessary.
- g. Is unit under report responsible for fire precautions? Where another unit is responsible for precautions, details should be given under "ATO/ATs remarks and recommendations".

General

8. a. Have the recommendations from the previous report been actioned? If not, units must provide a reason for not having done so. These reasons are to be included in "ATO/ATs remarks and recommendations".
- b. Are standing orders adequate? The section relating to ammunition storage must include all material considerations in relation to safety and security. (See Annex B)
- c. -Is a monthly inspection by a unit officer carried out? Some form of log should be maintained by the unit to ensure that this is done.
- d. Is the storehouse adequately maintained? Where building maintenance is required it must be ascertained that action to initiate this has been taken and followed up.

Annex A
to 1 ATF R1300-1-6
dated 16 May 70

e. Are explosive quantities within permitted limits? If limits are exceeded urgent action is to be taken to effect reduction of excess holdings.

f. General condition of ammunition. To be described briefly in "ATO/AT's remarks and recommendations".

Explosive Limits

9. These are governed by the safety distances. ATO may have to determine for units the net explosive quantities in terms of quantities of ammunition to which the unit is entitled.

Distribution

10. The "Unit Ammunition Storage Inspection Report" is to be addressed to 1 ATF (for DACMG) with copies to the unit and ADOS AFV.

POINTS FOR INCLUSION IN STANDING ORDERS
FOR STORAGE OF UNIT AMMUNITION

Storage

1.
 - a. Ammunition must be kept secure at all times, and keys held only by authorized personnel.
 - b. Weapons are not to be stored in the same room as ammunition. Ammunition must be stored by itself.
 - c. Ammunition is to be stored so that Batches and Lots can be separately identified. Earliest dates of manufacture to be expended first, unless instructions are issued to the contrary.
 - d. Packages will be stacked on dunnage and at least 6 inches away from any wall.
 - e. The number of open packages is to be kept to a minimum, these packages to be expended at the earliest opportunity.
 - f. Store must be kept clean, well ventilated and used only for live ammunition.
 - g. Ammunition should be segregated by Government Explosive Groups, and grouped in accordance with Ammunition and Explosives Regulations.
 - h. Radioactive stores are not to be stored near ammunition under any circumstances.
 - i. DRILL ammunition must not at any time be stored with LIVE ammunition.
 - j. A register of all issues and receipts must be maintained.
 - k. Special care must be taken when storing and handling white phosphorus and chemical stores. Current instructions on storage and first-aid must be strictly adhered to.
 - l. Empty packages and expended cases must be stored away from live ammunition. These must NOT be allowed to accumulate, but are to be disposed of under current command instructions.
 - m. Door-ways of store are to be kept clear at all times.

Fire Precautions

2.
 - a. Ammunition stores will always be provided with serviceable and adequate fire appliances.
 - b. Smoking materials are NOT to be permitted in the ammunition store, neither is smoking to be allowed in the vicinity of the store.
 - c. "NO SMOKING" notices are to be prominently displayed on the store door, and the appropriate Fire Risk Symbol shown in such a position as to be readily seen by fire fighting personnel.
 - d. The use of naked lights or unauthorized electric torches within the store is PROHIBITED.
 - e. The use of heating appliances, other than those authorized by DOS, is forbidden.
 - f. Undergrowth, foliage or grass surrounding the store must be kept short, to at least 50 ft radius of the store.
 - g. NO highly inflammable substances, i.e., paints, POL, etc., are to be kept under the same roof as ammunition.
 - h. Cleaning materials or rubbish must NOT be allowed in the store or vicinity of the store.

ANNEX N TO COMMANDER'S DIARY OF HQ 1 ATF

FROM 1 MAY 70 TO 31 MAY 70

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SIGNAL TRAFFIC - ABUSE OF PRECEDENCE

Reference: A. SD(Aust), Chapter 6, Paras 1008a and 1015, and Annex A.

1. An analysis of messages passing through Communication Centres throughout the Republic of Vietnam indicates that the system is saturated with high precedence traffic. This excessive use of precedences nullifies their value and causes delays to really urgent messages.

2. Traffic figures for March 1970 show the following precedence break-up:

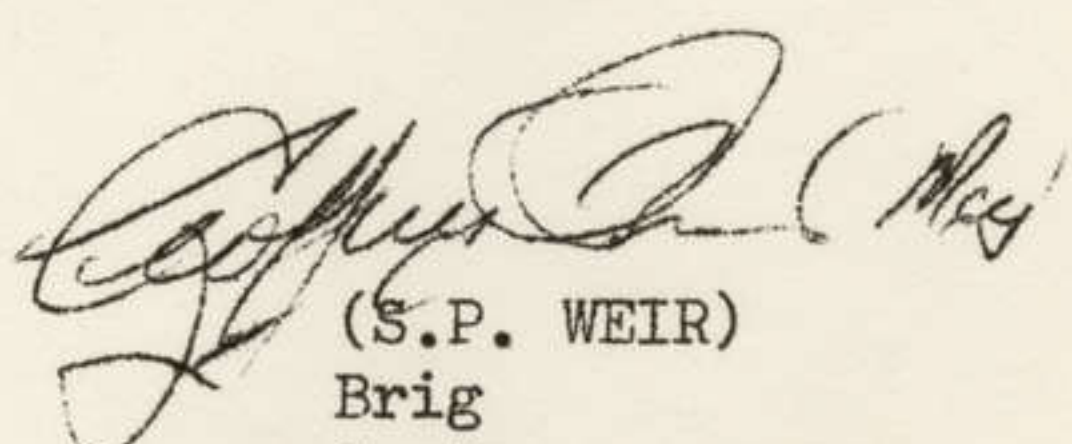
- a. Flash - 0.49%
- b. Immediate - 17.60%
- c. Priority - 37.00%
- d. Routine - 44.90%

When applied to the Rules for the Use of Precedence (Reference A) it will be seen that action must be taken to reduce, significantly, messages of Immediate and Priority precedence.

3. Currently, the processing time for Immediate traffic, due to the volume and length of such messages originated, is increased to that of precedence of Priority. This increased processing time affects traffic in other categories, thus everyone suffers.

4. Originators at all levels are to ensure that:

- a. The Rules for the Use of Precedence are observed at all times when preparing messages.
- b. Action is taken to reduce high precedence traffic, generally.


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ROUTINE

02 ~~2000~~ Z MAY 70

R788-2-14

FROM ; A SECT 1 TOPO SVY TP

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TO : LIST A (Less Serials 4, 16, 24 - 30)

PHOTO MAP OF NUI DAT (.) ONE (.) COPIES OF HIS PHOTOMAP ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE
MAP STORE AT A SECT 1 TOPO SVY TP ON THE FOLLOWING DISTRIBUTION :

A Sqn 1 Armd Regt	Qty 1	1 SAS Sqn	Qty 1
B Sqn 3 Cav Regt	" 1	161 (Indep) Recce Flt	" 1
4 Fd Regt	" 3	1 ARU	" 1
1 Fd Sqn	" 1	Det Div Int Unit	" 1
21 Engr Sp Tp	" 1	TFMA	" 2
17 Const Sqn	" 1	HQ 1 ATF	" 1
104 Sig Sqn	" 1	8 Fd Amb	" 1
547 Sig Tp	" 1	106 Fd Wksp	" 1
7 RAR	" 2	1 Aust CA Unit	" 1
6 RAR/NZ	" 2		
8 RAR	" 2		

TWO (.) THIS PHOTOMAP IS CLASSIFIED CONFIDENTIAL

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

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COMMANDER 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE

Serial 11
Numbers 26-27

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26. AMENDMENTS TO 1 ATF STANDING OPERATING PROCEDURES (REVISED NOV 69).

1. The following amendment to 1 ATF SOP's are advised.

a. Part 1 Chapter 1 Annex C is amended as follows:

(1) Page C1-3 add new serials as shown

<u>Serial</u>	<u>Recipient</u>	<u>Copy Nos</u>	<u>Method of Delivery</u>
78	1 Psy Ops Pl	113	SDS
79	1 TALU	114	Hand

Amend total to read 11.

(2) Page C1-5, add new serials as shown

<u>Serial</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>B</u>
34	1 Psy Ops Pl	1	1
35	1 TALU	1	1

Amend totals to read "55" and "117".

Q MATTERS

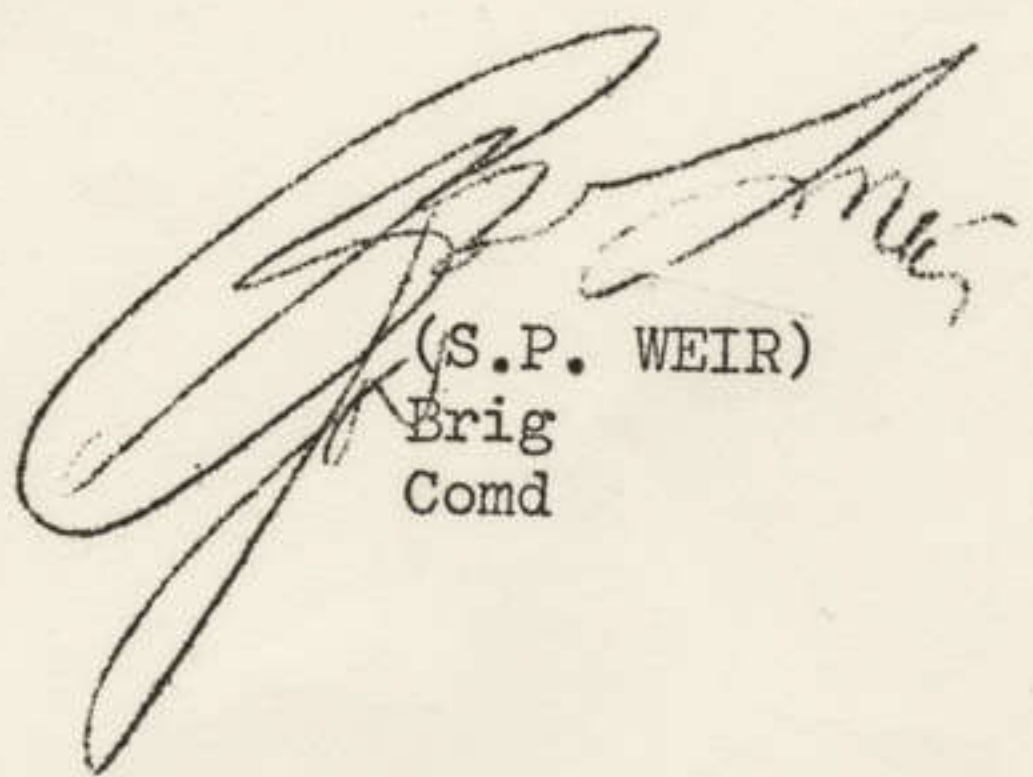
27. ENGINEER MAINTENANCE SERVICE CALLS

1. All maintenance calls for engineer services will be accepted by 21 Engr Sp Tp and units may telephone their requests direct by calling:

a. EBONY 19 from 0800 hrs to 2200 hrs daily.

b. ELEVATE from 2200 hrs to 0800 hrs daily.

2. The caller is to give his name, unit and telephone number and an outline of the service required and the location of the equipment/appliance to be serviced.



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PRECEDENCE - ACTION ROUTINE	PRECEDENCE - INFO ROUTINE	DATE - TIME GROUP 051130Z	MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS MAY 70
FROM IATF			PREFIX GR
TO: GRAN/NZ (ANZAC) 161 BTY RNZA			SECURITY CLASSIFICATION UNCLAS
INFO: 4 TP NZSAS			
INFO LIST C			ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER G 0514

VISIT TO IATF BY THE GOV-GEN OF NEW ZEALAND SIR ARTHUR PORRITT O
 GOV-GEN ARRIVES IATF 1315 7 MAY 70 CMM
 DEPARTS APPROX 1530 7 MAY 70 O PURPOSE TO VISIT NZ TROOPS IN IATF O
 TIMINGS TO BE ADVISED

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PRECEDENCE - ACTION ROUTINE	PRECEDENCE - INFO	DATE-TIME GROUP 05 07 20Z MAY 70	MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS
FROM I ATF	TO: LIST A LESS SERIALS 4, 24-30		PREFIX GR
INFO: BATTLE ANALYSIS TEAM			SECURITY CLASSIFICATION UNCLAS
			ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER 00730

TENTAGE RETURN (C) BATTLE ANALYSIS TEAM
 REQUIRES A RETURN SHOWING TOTAL NUMBER OF
 TENTS (ALL TYPES) CURRENTLY ERECTED WITHIN
 IATF (C)
 ADDRESSEES ARE TO SUBMIT RETURNS TO OOIATF
 BY 12 MAY 70 AS FOLLOWS (C)

ALPHA (C) NUMBER USED AS ACCOMMODATION TENTS (C)
 BRAVO (C) NUMBER USED FOR ALL OTHER PURPOSES (C)
 CHARLIE (C) TOTALS (C)

THE RETURN DOES NOT INCLUDE TENTAGE NOT ERECTED (C)
 NIL RETURNS NOT REQUIRED

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PRECEDENCE - ACTION PRIORITY	PRECEDENCE - INFO ROUTINE	DATE - TIME GROUP 06 1400	MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS MAY 70
FROM IATF		PREFIX GR	
TO: 6RAR/NZ (ANZAC), 161 BTY RNZA		SECURITY CLASSIFICATION UNCLAS	
INFO: 4TP ISAS SQN		ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER G.0518	
INFO: LIST C			

REFERENCE VISIT OF GOV-GEN OF NEW ZEALAND
SIR ARTHUR PORRITT O THE GOV-GEN AND PARTY
ARRIVES IATF 1345 7 MAY 70 DEPARTS 1545 7 MAY 70
ITINERARY AS FOLLOWS

ARRIVES IATF	1345
DISC WITH COMD AT 6RAR/NZ	1345 - 1415
VISIT N.Z. COMP 6RAR/NZ (ANZAC)	1415 - 1500
VISIT 161 BTY RNZA	1500 - 1540
DEPARTS IATF	1545

PARTY CONSISTS OF GOV-GEN OF N.Z AND AIDE CMM
NZ AMBASSADOR CMM CHAIRMAN FWMAWC GEN TAN CMM
COMAFV MAJ-GEN CAE FRASER AND AIDE CMM COMD NZ V FORCE
COL FENTON CMM COMRAAFV AIR CDRE SPENCER CMM
3 PR JOURNALISTS O

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FROM HQ IATF	PREFIX
	CR

TO: LIST A (LESS SERIALS 4 and 24-30)	SECURITY CLASSIFICATION
INFO: DAAG	RESTRICTED

	ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER
	Q0735

TRANSMISSION OF VOICE TAPES (CASSETTE TYPE) IN THE MAIL TO AUSTRALIA (C) WITH EFFECT 8 MAY TO ALL CASSETTE TYPE VOICE TAPES SENT TO AUSTRALIA MUST HAVE A DULY COMPLETED AND SIGNED CUSTOMS DECLARATION AND CERTIFICATE OF INSPECTION ATTACHED (C) CASSETTE TAPES RECEIVED AT AFPO 4 WITHOUT SUCH DECLARATIONS/CLEARANCES WILL BE RETURNED TO THE SENDER

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PRECEDENCE - ACTION ROUTINE	PRECEDENCE - INFO ROUTINE	DATE - TIME GROUP 07 0800	MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS MAY 70
FROM IATF			REFIX GR
TO: TFMA 10FP POSTAL UNIT CANTEENS UNIT			SECURITY CLASSIFICATION
INFO: 26 COY RAASC 176 AD COY RAASC			UNCLAS
1FD SQN 17 CONSTR WKSP 106 FD			ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER
WKSP 21 ENGR STORES TP 198 WORKS			G
SECT			
INFO: LIST C			
<p>VISIT TO IATF BY QMG MAJ GEN K MACKAY CB MBE O THE QMG AND AQMG LT COL ED HIRST WILL VISIT IATF FROM 11 MAY 70 TO 13 MAY 70 O PURPOSE TO VISIT Q UNITS IN IATF O ITINERARY AS FOLLOWS UN</p>			
ARRIVES IATF		0900	11 MAY 70
DISC WITH D/COMD AND DAQMG 0900 - 1000			
MORNING TEA IATF OFFR MESS 1000 - 1030			
DISC WITH COMD		1030 - 1100	
DISC WITH DAQMG AND VISIT			
Q BRANCH OFFICES IN HQ IATF		1100 - 1200	
LUNCH IN IATF OFFR MESS 1200 - 1330			
VISIT TFMA, 10FP 26 COY RAASC			
176 COY RAASC PX		1330 - 1530	POSTAL UNIT
EVENING MEAL IATF OFFR MESS			
VISIT 198 WORKS SECT AND			
TOUR OF WATER POINTS IN IATF		0830 - 0930	12 MAY 70
VISIT FSB'S WITH COMD		0930 - 1200	
LUNCH IATF OFFR MESS		1200 - 1330	
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TO :			
INFO :			
			SECURITY CLASSIFICATION
			ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER

VISIT 106 FD WKSP	1330 - 1430
VISIT 17 CONSTR WKSP	1430 - 1500
VISIT 21 ENGR STORES TP	1500 - 1545
FINAL DISC WITH DAGMG	1545 - 1630

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PRECEDENCE - ACTION ROUTINE	PRECEDENCE - INFO	DATE - TIME GROUP 080615Z MAY 70	MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS
FROM: 1 ATF		PREFIX	
TO: LIST A LESS SERIALS 4, 24 & 30		OR	
INFO: AUSTFORCE VIETNAM, IALSG, JAOB.		SECURITY CLASSIFICATION RESTRICTED	
		ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER 0741	

CANNED WEAPONS (C) AMQ SD 19294 OF 29 APR 70 (C)
TEXT OF MESSAGE FOLLOWS (C)
ONE (C) WITH IMMEDIATE EFFECT FOR INSTRS
APPLY CLN (C)
ALFA (C) IMPORTATION INTO AUST OF PERS
SOUVENIR WPNs IS PROHIBITED (C) ALL
APPROVALS FOR INDIVIDUAL SOUVENIRS
PREVIOUSLY GRANTED BY HQ AFV ARE
WITHDRAWN EXCEPT WHERE MEMBER HAS
ALREADY RTA (C)
BRAVO (C) UNITS MAY ONLY IMPORT CANNED WPNs
WITH AMQ APPROVAL (C) NORMALLY SUCH
APPROVALS WILL BE LIMITED TO 12 WPNs
FOR MAJOR UNITS AND 6 WPNs FOR
MINOR UNITS (C)

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MESSAGE FORM
090400Z MAY 70

TABULATE *N4*

FROM: 1 ATF
TO: LIST B LESS SERIALS 4 CMM 24 - 30
INFO: 1 ALSG (5)

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AMMUNITION SUSPENSIONS CMM RESTRICTIONS AND RELEASES (.)

FIRST (.) THE FOLLOWING LOTS ARE PERMANENTLY SUSPENDED FROM ISSUE AND USE (.)

ALFA (.) 1305-NO DODIC CTG .50 CAL TCR M1
LOT NO EM-20521 SUSP NO IL-S-127-0 (.)

BRAVO (.) 1305-NO DODIC CTG 5.56MM BALL M193
LOT NO LC-12834 SUSP NO IL-S-124-0 (.)

SECOND (.) THE FOLLOWING LOTS ARE SUSPENDED FROM ISSUE AND USE (.)

ALFA (.) 1305-NO DODIC CTG 7.62MM LINKED @-1
LOT NO TW-L-82395 SUSP NO S-9877 (.)

BRAVO (.) 1305-NO DODIC CTG 5.56MM BALL M193
LOT NO RA-5136 SUSP NO S-9880 (.)

CHARLIE (.) 1340-H555 RKT 66MM HE AT M72A1
LOT NO LS-48-35 SUSP NO S-9890 CMM
LOT NO LS-48-36 SUSP NO S-9891 CMM
LOT NO LS-56-4 SUSP NO S-9889 (.)

DELTA (.) 1310-B470 CTG 40MM HE M384
LOT NO MA-37-29 SUSP NO S-9886 (.)

ECHO (.) 1315-C454 CTG 105 MM SMK WP M60
LOT NO LS-49-23 SUSP NO S-9887 (.)

FOXTROT (.) 1390-N278 FUZE MTSQ M564
LOT NO UST-2-156 SUSP NO S-9888 CMM
LOT NO ING-3-65 SUSP NO IL-S-125-0 (.)

THIRD (.) THE FOLLOWING LOTS ARE RESTRICTED TO SUPERQUICK (SQ) ACTION ONLY (.)

ALFA (.) 1390-N335 FUZE PD M557
LOT NOS JA-4-157C CMM JA-4-457C CMM JA-4-458B CMM
JA-4-461A CMM JA-4-499B CMM JA-4-688A AND JA-722A (.)

FOURTH (.) THE FOLLOWING LOTS ARE RELEASED FOR ISSUE AND USE (.)

ALFA (.) 1305-NO DODIC CTG 7.62MM BALL M80
LOT NO WRA-22678 SUSP NO S-9478 REL NO R-4215 (.)

BRAVO (.) 1305-NO DODIC CTG 5.56MM BALL M193
LOT NO LC-12700 SUSP NO S-9591 REL NO R-4216 (.)

FIFTH (.) UNITS ARE TO CHECK ALL AMMUNITION STOCKS AND NOTIFY Q BRANCH (ST) 1 ATF
OF ANY OF THE ABOVE SUSPENDED AMMUNITION ON HAND (.)

SIXTH (.) NIL RETURNS ARE NOT REQUIRED

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PRECEDENCE - ACTION ROUTINE	PRECEDENCE - INFO	DATE - TIME GROUP 090330	MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS Z MAY 70
FROM 1 ATF			PREFIX GR
TO: 1 ALSG			SECURITY CLASSIFICATION ROUTINE
INFO: 4 FD REGT 2 RAR 8 RAR			ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER TRG 0523
HQ Coy 1 ATF HQ Coy 1 ATF LAD			

PROJECTIONISTS COURSES (.) REF HQ 1 ALSG G991 OF 060530 Z MAY 70 (.) THE FOLLOWING HAVE BEEN NOMINATED TO ATTEND THE COURSES AS FOLLOWS CAN

ALFA (.) COURSE 7/70 CMM 25 - 27 MAY 70 (.)	
2412326 BDR NK LAYTON	4 FD REGT
1201788 CFN JF SMITH	8 RAR
SGT W H SNARR	2 RAR
54778 SGT D CHAPMAN	17 CONST SQN

BRAVO (.) COURSE 8/70 CMM 28 - 30 MAY 70 (.)

242839 WO2 C.F. CONNOR	HQ 1 ATF LAD
243035 CAPT R. PLAYER	HQ Coy 1 ATF
PTE DOYLE	2 RAR

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PRECEDENCE - ACTION PRIORITY	PRECEDENCE - INFO ROUTINE	DATE - TIME GROUP 101600 H	MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS MAY 70
FROM I ATF			*PREFIX GR
TO: 1AUST CA UNIT			SECURITY CLASSIFICATION UNCLAS
INFO: LIST C			ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER G 0536

VISIT BY COMAFV MAJ GEN CAE FRASER TO
1 AUST CA UNIT ON 13 AND 14 MAY 70 O COMAFV
INTENDS VISITING 1AUST CA UNIT AND PROJECTS IN
PHUOC TUY PROVINCE O ITINERARY AS FOLLOWS CLN

ARRIVES IATF 0930 13 MAY 70

DISC WITH COMD 0930-1000

VISIT 1AUST CA UNIT LINES

BRIEFING ON COMPOSITION OF
A NITECAP CMM DISC WITH

CO 1AUST CA UNIT 1000-1215

LUNCH IATF OFFR MESS 1230-1345

ROAD TOUR ROUTE 2 INC AP SOU

NGHE CMM ROAD WORKS CMM NGIA GIAO 1345-1630

DEPART IATF 1630

ARRIVE IATF 0830 14 MAY 70

ROAD TOUR LONG LE AND

LONG DIEN DISTRICTS INC

HOA LONG CMM BAI TRAM SCHOOL

CMM LONG DIEN CMM BARIA 0830-1200

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PRECEDENCE - ACTION	PRECEDENCE - INFO	DATE - TIME GROUP	MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS
FROM		PREFIX	
TO :		GR	
INFO :		SECURITY CLASSIFICATION	
		ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER	

DEPART BARIA US AID HELPAD

FOR VUNG TAU

1200

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PRECEDENCE - ACTION PRIORITY	PRECEDENCE - INFO	DATE - TIME GROUP 120750Z MAY 70	MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS
FROM 1 ATF			PREFIX GR
TO: ADSTFORCE VIETNAM			SECURITY CLASSIFICATION UNCLAS
INFO:			ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER 60546

VISITS @ MAJ J BAKER OF THE AHO BATTLE ANALYSIS TEAM AND CAPT C KING OF 198 WORKS SECTION ARE PROPOSE TO VISIT SAIGON DURING PERIOD 13-15 MAY 70 @

ONE @ PURPOSE IS TO VISIT AFV AND MACV (CMC) @ TWO @ ARRIVE TAN SON NHUT WALKABY ONE 13 MAY CMM CAPT KING RETURNS NUI DAT WALKABY FOUR 14 MAY CMM MAJ BAKER RETURNS WALKABY FOUR 15 MAY 70 @

THREE @ ACCOMMODATION REQUIRED CMM MAJ BAKER NIS 13/14 CMM 14/15 MAY AND CAPT KING NI 13/14 MAY 70 @

FOUR @ TPT REQ FROM TAN SON NHUT TO A-V

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PRECEDENCE - ACTION ROUTINE	PRECEDENCE - INFO ROUTINE	DATE - TIME GROUP 12.1600	MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS MAY 70
FROM: IATF			PREFIX GR
TO: IATF PR OFFR, 1 AUST CA UNIT			SECURITY CLASSIFICATION UNCLAS
INFO: LISTC PMC			
			ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER G. 0550

VISIT TO IATF BY DPR AHQ MR CA NICOL MBE O
MR NICOL INTENDS VISITING IATF FROM 18 TO 21 MAY 70
TO DISCUSS PRESENT PR SITUATION O ITINERARY AS FOLLOWS CAN

ARRIVE IATF (MET BY ADPR)	0945	18 MAY 70
DISC AT PRESS CENTRE	1000-1115	
DISC WITH COMD	1115-1145	
LUNCH IATF OFFR MESS	1200-1400	
DISC WITH PR STAFF	1400-1630	
ATTEND COMD CONF	1630-1700	
TOUR IATF WITH ADPR	0800-0915	19 MAY 70
VISIT FSB'S WITH COMD	0930-1200	
LUNCH IATF OFFR MESS	1200-1330	
ROAD TOUR OF PHUOC TUY		
WITH PR AND 1 AUST CA UNIT	1330-1630	
DISC WITH ADPR AND STAFF	0900-1600	20 MAY 70
DISC WITH PR STAFF INDIVIDUALLY	0800-1000	21 MAY 70
DEPARTS IATF FOR LAEG	1000	

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ROUTINE ROUTINE

15 0740 Z MAY 70

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FROM: 1 ATF

UNCLAS

TO: 107 FD BTY 7 RAR 8 RAR
2 RAR 106 FD WKSPS 1 ALSG

G0560

HQ COY I ATF 11 MC GP

INFO: CENARMYREC MELB AUSTFORCE VIETNAM

D COMD DAAG PRO LO

CMF VISITS (.) OFFICERS GROUP 11/70 28 MAY 70 - 11 JUN+70 (.)

ONE (.) ALLOCATION CLN

ALFA (.) 107 FD BTY CMM LT COL RG FAY RAA CSTU N COMD (.)

BRAVO (.) 7 RAR CMM MAJ KL FRAZER RA INF N Q AREA TRG GP N COMD (.)

CHARLIE (.) 8 RAR CMM MAJ LV BOSWELL RA INF 41 RNSWR E COMD (.)

DELTA (.) 2 RAR CMM MAJ PJ IBBOTSON RA INF 11 RWAR W COMD (.)

ECHO (.) 106 FD WKSP CMM LT GS MILLS RAEME HQ CRAEME 1 COMM Z E COMD (.)

TWO (.) HQ COY I ATF TO PROVIDE 1/4 TON VEHs TO MEET AC AT LUSCOMBE FIELD AT APPROX 281600H MAY 70 CMM TO TRANSPORT VISITORS AND BAGGAGE TO HQ I 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 AVAIL INTERVIEW WILL BE NOTIFIED TO UNITS AND HELD PRIOR TO RTA (.)

FOUR (.) VISITORS ARE TO VISIT 1 ALSG CMM TRAVELLING TO VUNG TAU ON WALLABY TWO 9 JUN 70 AND RETURNING SAIGON WALLABY ONE 28 MAY 70 (.) HOSTING UNITS ARE TO ENSURE VISITORS ATTEND THIS PART OF THE VISIT (.)

FIVE (.) ALL VISITORS WILL BE CLEARED PRIOR TO DEPARTURE TO 1 ALSG (.) 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 BOOKING FOR MEMBERS AS FOLLOWING CLN (.)
ALFA (.) IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARA FOUR ABOVE (.)
BRAVO (.) RTA FLIGHT TO TAN SON NHUT 0700H 11 JUN 70 (.)

SEVEN (.) RECEPTION OFFICER TAN SON NHUT TO ADVISE 1 ATF CP ON DEPARTURE OF VISITORS TO FACILITATE RECEPTION AT LUSCOMBE

TWO (.) HQ COY I ATF TO PROVIDE 1/4 TON VEHs TO MEET AC AT LUSCOMBE FIELD AT APPROX 281600H MAY 70 CMM TO TRANSPORT VISITORS AND BAGGAGE TO HQ I ATF AND THEN TO UNIT AREAS (.)

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D. P. Kelso 2Lt

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ROUTINE

ROUTINE

15 0740 Z MAY 70

R875/1/6

FROM: 1 ATF

UNCLAS

TO: 107 FD BTY 7 RAR 8 RAR
2 RAR 106 FD WKSPS 1 ALSG

G0560

HQ COY I ATF 11 MC GP

INFO: CENARMYREC MELB AUSTFORCE VIETNAM

D COMD DAAG PRO LO

CMF VISITS (.) OFFICERS GROUP 11/70 28 MAY 70 - 11 JUN+70 (.)

ONE (.) ALLOCATION CLN

ALFA (.) 107 FD BTY CMM LT COL RG FAY RAA CSTU N COMD (.)

BRAVO (.) 7 RAR CMM MAJ KL FRAZER RA INF N Q AREA TRG GP N COMD (.)

CHARLIE (.) 8 RAR CMM MAJ LV BOSWELL RA INF 41 RNSWR E COMD (.)

DELTA (.) 2 RAR CMM MAJ PJ IBBOTSON RA INF 11 RWAR W COMD (.)

ECHO (.) 106 FD WKSP CMM LT GS MILLS RAEME HQ CRAEME 1 COMM Z E COMD (.)

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THREE (.) IF POSSIBLE THE D COMD WILL INTERVIEW MEMBERS BEFORE THEY DEPART FOR THEIR UNITS CMM IF D COMD NOT AVAIL INTERVIEW WILL BE NOTIFIED TO UNITS AND HELD PRIOR TO RTA (.)

FOUR (.) VISITORS ARE TO VISIT 1 ALSG CMM TRAVELLING TO VUNG TAU ON WALLABY TWO 9 JUN 70 AND RETURNING SAIGON WALLABY ONE 28 MAY 70 (.) HOSTING UNITS ARE TO ENSURE VISITORS ATTEND THIS PART OF THE VISIT (.)

FIVE (.) ALL VISITORS WILL BE CLEARED PRIOR TO DEPARTURE TO 1 ALSG (.) 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 BOOKING FOR MEMBERS AS FOLLOWING CLN (.)

ALFA (.) IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARA FOUR ABOVE (.)

BRAVO (.) RTA FLIGHT TO TAN SON NHUT 0700H 11 JUN 70 (.)

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PRECEDENCE - ACTION ROUTINE	PRECEDENCE - INFO ROUTINE	DATE - TIME GROUP 160800	MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS MAY 70
FROM IATF			PREFIX CR
TO: A SQN IARMD REGT B SQN 3 CAN REGT			SECURITY CLASSIFICATION UNCLAS
INFO: 1 FD SQN TOPO SVY 7RAR, 8RAR, 2RAR 106 FD WKSP IATF LAD			
INFO: LIST C			ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER G 0568

VISIT BY CX DESIGNATE A SQN IARMD REGT CMM MAJ PW BURKE O MAJ BOURKE WILL VISIT IATF FROM 21 MAY 70 TO 26 MAY 70 CMM PURPOSE IS ORIENTATION O

ITINERY AS FOLLOWS CLN

ARRIVE IATF 1715 21 MAY 70

DISC WITH OC A SQN AND VIEW

INF/TANK CO-OP WITH 2RAR 0800-1000 22 MAY 70

TOUR IATF AREA 1030-1200

TAOR RECCE BY ALB 1330-1530

DISC WITH SQN PERSONNEL 0800-1200 23 MAY 70

LUNCH B SQN 3 CAN REGT 1200-1400

VISIT DUC THANH CMM NGAI GIAO

NDP ELIZABETH 1400-1600

VISIT H/S LCT NDP BRIDGET 0800-1200 24 MAY 70

VISIT TF HQ G BR A BR INT 0800-1000 25 MAY 70

PSY OPS G BR DCRE

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PRECEDENCE - ACTION ROUTINE	PRECEDENCE - INFO ROUTINE	DATE - TIME GROUP 201530	MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS MAY 70
FROM IATF			PREFIX GR
TO: DADLS			SECURITY CLASSIFICATION UNCLAS
INFO: LIST C PNC IATF OFFR MESS			ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER G 0581

VISIT BY DLS BRIG MJ EWING O BRIG EWING
WILL BE VISITING IATF ON 24 MAY 70 O
ITINERARY AS FOLLOWS CWN

ARRIVES IATF	0930	24 MAY 70
DISC WITH DADLS	0930 - 1200	
LUNCH IATF OFFICER MESS	1200 - 1330	
TOUR IATF	1330 - 1515	
DEPART IATF	1530	

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PRECEDENCE - ACTION ROUTINE	PRECEDENCE - INFO ROUTINE	DATE - TIME GROUP 211600	MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS MAY 70
FROM IATF		PREFIX GR	
TO: 1 AUST CA UNIT 1 PSY OPS UNIT		SECURITY CLASSIFICATION UNCLAS	
INFO: TRAR		ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER G 0588	
INFO: LIST C PMC IATF OFFR MESS			

VISIT BY CAPT WJ ROURKE RAN MIL ADVISER TO CHIEF DEFENCE SCIENTIST O CAPT ROURKE WILL VISIT IATF ON 26 AND 27 MAY 70 ACCOMPANIED BY COL TR GOBSON AUST SDSLO O CAPT ROURKE IS VISITING FOR ORIENTATION BUT IS INTERESTED IN CA AND PSY OPS O ITINERARI AS FOLLOWS CUN

ARRIVES IATF	0930	26 MAY 70
VISIT PSY OPS UNIT	0945-1045	
VISIT 1AUST CA UNIT	1045-1145	
LUNCH IATF OFFR MESS	1200-1330	
VISIT BARIA AND SURROUNDS WITH CA UNIT	1330-1630	
VISIT HORSESHOE LCT	0900-1330	27 MAY 70
TOUR IATF	1330-1630	
DEPARTS IATF FOR IALSG	1700	

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HQ 1 ATF
NUI DAT

25 May 70

R66-1-7

See Distribution List

VISIT OF THE RAN FLEET BAND
27 MAY 70 AND 2 JUN 70

General

1. The Royal Australian Navy Fleet Band will be performing at Nui Dat on the following dates:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>HOST UNIT</u>
Wed 27 May 70	Luscombe Bowl	1 Fd Sqn
Tue 2 Jun 70	Luscombe Bowl	161 (Indep) Recce Flt
Tue 2 Jun 70	4 Fd Regt Area	4 Fd Regt

Composition of Band

2. It is expected that there will be approx 30 personnel with the band. Host units will be notified as soon as firm numbers are available.

Timings

3. See Annex A.

Host Units

4. Units designated as host units have the following responsibilities:
- Reception of the band.
 - Tpt of the band (3 X TCV with canopies)
 - Provision of morning tea and lunch for the band (except for 4 Fd Regt, who are to supply afternoon tea)
 - Cleanliness of Luscombe Bowl (where applicable)

Seating

5. Units are to ensure that sufficient suitable chairs are made available at the concert locations.

Vehicle Parking

6. All vehicle parking for the Luscombe Bowl concerts is to be in the Airfield Overshoot Area.

David H. Burgess
(G.D. BURGESS)
Maj
DAAG

Annex: A. Timings

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List A (Less serials 4, 24 - 30)
Spare (3)

ANNEX A TO 1 ATF
R66-1-7 DATED
25 MAY 70

<u>SERIAL</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
1.	1 Fd Sqn	27 May 70	0930	Arrive Luscombe
			0945	Morning Tea
			1030	Concert Commences
			1200	Lunch
			1315	Report Luscombe
			1330	Depart Luscombe
2.	161 (Indep) Recce Flt	2 Jun 70	0930	Arrive Luscombe
			0945	Morning Tea
			1030	Concert Commences
			1200	Lunch
3.	4 Fd Regt	2 Jun 70	1300	Uplift from 161 (Indep) Recce Flt
			1400	Concert Commences
			1615	Report Luscombe
			1630	Depart Luscombe

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PRIORITY

260025Z MAY 70

FROM: 1 ATF

CONFIDENTIAL

TO: 25 SUP DEP PL RAASC

INFO: TEMA DEF 52 SUP DEP PL RAASC

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BASE RATION FIGURE FOR THE MONTH OF JUN 70 IS 3000

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PRECEDENCE - ACTION ROUTINE	PRECEDENCE - INFO ROUTINE	DATE-TIME GROUP 281600	MESSAGE INSTRUCTIONS MAY 70
FROM IATF	PREFIX		GR
TO: 8RAR	SECURITY CLASSIFICATION		
INFO: LIST C	UNCLAS		
			ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER G 0609

VISIT BY LT COL WYER (US ARMY) CMM MAJ 1 THROSSELL AND 3 US OFFRS O THE PARTY WILL BE VISITING 8RAR TO DETERMINE ITS SUITABILITY AS A JUNGLE WARFARE SCHOOL O ITINER: AS FOLLOWS CLN

290945	ARRIVE IATF WAL 2 MET BY D/COMD
1020	MOVE TO 8RAR
1200	LUNCH IATF OFFR MESS
1330	VISIT IATF OR RETURN TO 8RAR AS DESIRED
1530	DEPART IATF WAL 3 FOR SAIGON

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FROM IATF			PREFIX GR
TO: 8 FD AMB 2RAR 7RAR 8RAR 4 FD REGT			SECURITY CLASSIFICATION UNCLAS
INFO: 1AUST CA UNIT			
INFO: LIST A LESS SERIALS L 24-30			
			ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER G 0608

VISIT BY LT COL R GRANT - ADGMS (ADMIN PERS AND TRG)
 AHQ O LT COL GRANT WILL VISIT IATF PERIOD 30 MAY 70
 AND 31 MAY 70 TO VISIT MEDICAL PERSONNEL IN IATF UNITS
 LT COL GRANT WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ESCORT
 OFFR FROM HQ AFV O ITINERARY AS FOLLOWS CLN

300945	ARRIVES IATF WALZ MET BY SMO
1030	VISIT HQ IATF DISC WITH DAAG AND D/COMD ACCOMPANIED BY SMO AND DADMS
1115	VISIT 8 FD AMB
1200	LUNCH IATF OFFR MESS CMM INVITED TO ATTEND CMM RMO'S 2RAR 7RAR 8RAR 4 FD REGT 1AUST CA UNIT 8 FD AMB AND DAAG.
1400-1700	VISIT RMO'S AT RAPs NUI-DAT CMM MEET ZICs OR COs IF POSSIBLE
1800	ATTENDS BAR-B-QUE IATF OFFR MESS CMM INVITATIONS AS ABOVE
310900	DISC AT 8 FD AMB WITH DADMS SMO IATF HYGIENE OFFR IATF SOMS ADJ 8 FD AMB

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		ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER	
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1200	LUNCH 8 FD AMB CMM RAAMC SGTS INVITED
1400	DSC WITH INDIVIDUALS BY APPOINTMENTS ARRANGED BEFORE
1700	TOUR IATF AND VISIT A FSPB IF POSSIBLE DEPART IATF FOR IALSG WAL L.

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FROM <i>IATF</i>		PREFIX <i>CR</i>	
TO: <i>30RD BN LONG BN IALSG</i>		SECURITY CLASSIFICATION <i>CONFIDENTIAL</i>	
<i>LIST A LESS SERIALS 44 COMM 24-30</i>		ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER <i>0835</i>	
<i>GSO2 (OPS)</i>			
<i>AVAILABLE SUPPLY RATE (AMMUNITION) (C)</i>			

ONE (C) THE FOLLOWING AMMUNITION BY TYPES AND QUANTITIES
HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED TO IATF FOR THE ASR PERIOD 25 MAY 70
TO 24 JUN 70 (C)

- ALFA (C) B535 CTG 40MM ILLUM WSP QTY 484 (C)*
- BRAVO (C) C226 CTG 81MM ILLUM M301A3 QTY 510 (C)*
- CHARLIE (C) C449 CTG 105MM ILLUM QTY 540 (C)*
- DELTA (C) G945 GRENADE HIND 54K YELLOW QTY 800 (C)*
- ECHO (C) H459 RKT 2.75IN W/FLECHETTE W/HEAD QTY 18 (C)*
- FOXTROT (C) L312 SIG ILLUM GROUND WSP QTY 1188 (C)*
- GOLF (C) L495 FLARE SURFACE TRIP QTY 2160 (C)*
- HOTEL (C) M023 CHARGE DEMO CH 1 1/2 LB QTY 3240 (C)*
- INDIA (C) M456 COCD DET REINF QTY 86000 FT (C)*

TWO (C) UNITS ARE NOT TO DRAW ANY OF THE ABOVE AMMUNITION
WITHOUT PRIOR APPROVAL OF (C) BRANCH (ST) IATF (C)
THREE (C) FOR OPS 30RD BN FOR AUST LIAISON NCO

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FROM <i>IATF</i>			PREFIX <i>GR</i>
TO: <i>AFV</i>			SECURITY CLASSIFICATION <i>UNCLAS</i>
INFO:			ORIGINATOR'S NUMBER <i>Q 0831</i>

STONE SOLID FUEL HEXAMINE @
REFERENCE AFV A990-1-2 DATED 23 MAY 70 @
IATF DID NOT RECEIVE THE ABOVE CORRESPONDENCE UNTIL
28 MAY 70 @ THIS LEAVING INSUFFICIENT TIME TO CONDUCT
A THOROUGH SURVEY @ IT IS REQUESTED THAT THIS
REQ BE PERMITTED TO EXTEND THE DATE OF SUBMISSION
UNTIL THE 12 JUN 70

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

BRIGADIER S.P. WEIR, MC

COMMANDER 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE

26 MAY 70

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28. NOTIFICATION OF ACTION TAKEN ON RESULTS OF PRO REPORTS.

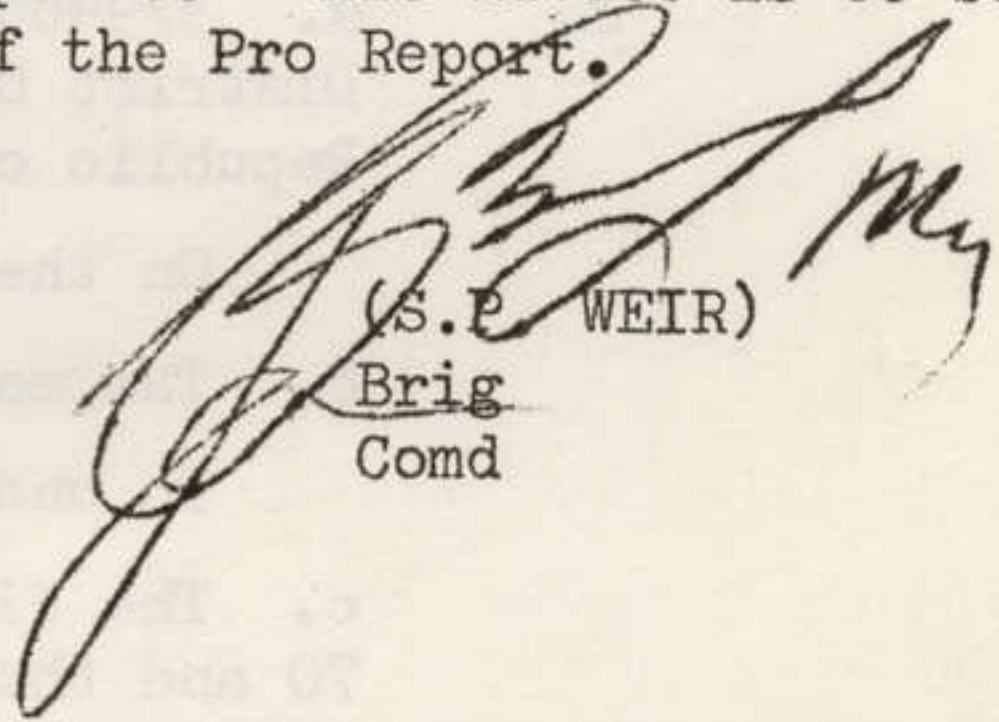
NOTICES

- 1. LETTER OF THANKS.
- 2. FOUND
- 3. DISCIPLINE - COURTS MARTIAL - PROMULGATION OF FINDINGS AND SENTENCES.

A MATTERS

28. NOTIFICATION OF ACTION TAKEN ON RESULTS OF PRO REPORTS.

1. Units are to advise HQ 1 ATF and AFV PRO UNIT of the action taken as a result of Pro accident and incident reports. This advice is to be forwarded within fourteen days of receipt of the Pro Report.



(S.P. WEIR)
Brig
Comd

NOTICES

1. LETTER OF THANKS.

Subtended below is a letter to Comd 1 ATF from Commanding General II F FORCE V.

"As I leave Vietnam I wish to express to the officers and men of the 1st Australian Task Force my sincere thanks and admiration for the great job you have done while I have commanded II Field Force Vietnam.

It has been a signal honour and pleasure to have had the Australians and New Zealanders as a part of the II Field Force Team. As usual you have performed with distinction and contributed significantly to the Free World effort in assisting the Vietnamese people to seek their own way of life. To each officer, NCO and soldier I say with all sincerity thank you for a job well done.

The officers and men of II Field Force join me in saluting you and wishing you continued success in the months to come.

Sincerely,
JULIAN J. EWELL
Lieutenant General, USA
Commanding

2. FOUND

A camera lens was found on the road outside HOA LONG. The owner can claim same from GSO2 (Psy Ops) 1 ATF after identification.

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3. DISCIPLINE - COURTS MARTIAL - PROMULGATION OF FINDINGS AND SENTENCES.

Reference: A. 243/1/8
B. 243/1/10

1. a. 217470 Pte M.J.P. EVANS, 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn, having been tried by District Court Martial commencing on 19 Mar 70 at VUNG TAU in the Republic of Vietnam, the court found as follows:

First Charge: OFFERING VIOLENCE TO HIS SUPERIOR OFFICER - Guilty

Second Charge: ACT TO THE PREJUDICE OF GOOD ORDER AND MILITARY DISCIPLINE in that he discharged a weapon without just cause or excuse - Guilty

Third Charge: OFFERING VIOLENCE TO HIS SUPERIOR OFFICER - Guilty

Fourth Charge: ACT TO THE PREJUDICE OF GOOD ORDER AND MILITARY DISCIPLINE in that he discharged a weapon without just cause or excuse - Guilty

- b. The member was awarded the the following sentence:

To undergo detention for eighteen (18) months.

- c. The finding and sentence were confirmed by the Adjutant General on 30 Apr 70 and the confirmation promulgated to the member on 8 May 70.

2. a. 3794664 Pte A. SANTAMARIA, HQ Coy 1 ATF, having been tried by District Court Martial commencing 13 Apr 70 at VUNG TAU in the Republic of Vietnam, the Court found as follows:

On the charge: STRIKING HIS SUPERIOR OFFICER - Guilty

- b. The member was awarded the following sentence:

To undergo detention for twenty-eight (28) days.

- c. The finding and sentence were confirmed by Comd 1 ATF on 16 Apr 70 and the confirmation promulgated to the member on 18 Apr 70.

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Quote in reply

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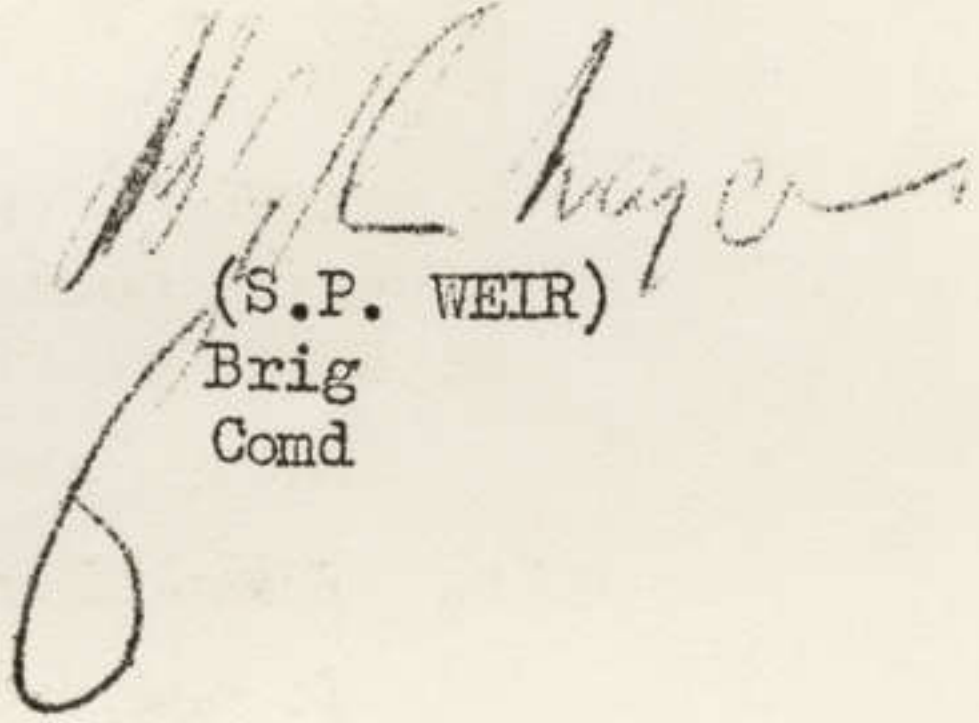
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List A (less serials 4, 24-30)

HANDLING OF UNDELIVERABLE CASUALTY MAIL

Reference: A. AFV SOPs Part 3 paras 1300 - 1303.

1. Recently, a unit Administrative Officer opened a letter addressed to a member of the unit, who had become a casualty, for the purpose of obtaining the sender's name and address.
2. This practice is contrary to current AFV Instructions, and regarded as a contravention of personal privacy.
3. Correct handling of undeliverable casualty mail is laid down in AFV SOPs, Part 3 paragraphs 1300 to 1303.
4. Units are to ensure that correct procedure is carried out in future.


(S.P. WEIR)
Brig
Comd

R750/1/7

30 May 70

See Distribution below

1 ATF BASE DEFENCE MAPS

Reference: A. 1 ATF Ops 0500 of 020230Z May 70.

1. Para 5 of Reference A instructed the addressee units to either return old Base Defence Maps or send a Certificate of Destruction (AAF - A54) in lieu, to A Sect 1 Topo Svy Tp. as soon as possible after 0800 hrs on 8 May 70. Units are reminded that this map is a SECRET document.

2. At this time the following copies have not been returned:

7 RAR (5 RAR)	-	005/006/007/008/009/010/011
17 Const Sqn	-	014
2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) (6 RAR)	-	021/022
1 SAS Sqn	-	026
1 ARU	-	031/032
4 Fd Regt (1 Fd Regt)	-	036/038/041 - 047
161 (Indep) Recce Flt	-	052
Det 1 Div Int	-	053
8 RAR	-	062
547 Sig Tp	-	065
GS02 (Int)	-	069
106 Fd Bty	-	073
4 Fd Regt	-	076 - 079

3. The units placed in brackets were issued with the map copies on that line. It is presumed that their replacement units retained these copies on "change-over."

4. These copies of the previous Base Defence Map are to be returned immediately to A Sect 1 Topo Svy Tp or an AAF - A54 submitted in lieu.

Dachland
(P. FALKLAND)
Col
D Comd

Distribution

4 Fd Regt
106 Fd Bty
17 Const Sqn
547 Sig Tp
2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC)
7 RAR
8 RAR
1 SAS Sqn
1 ARU
161 (Indep) Recce Flt
Det 1 Div Int Unit
Internal: GSC2 (Int)

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

by

BRIGADIER S.P. WEIR, MC

COMMANDER 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE

31 MAY 70

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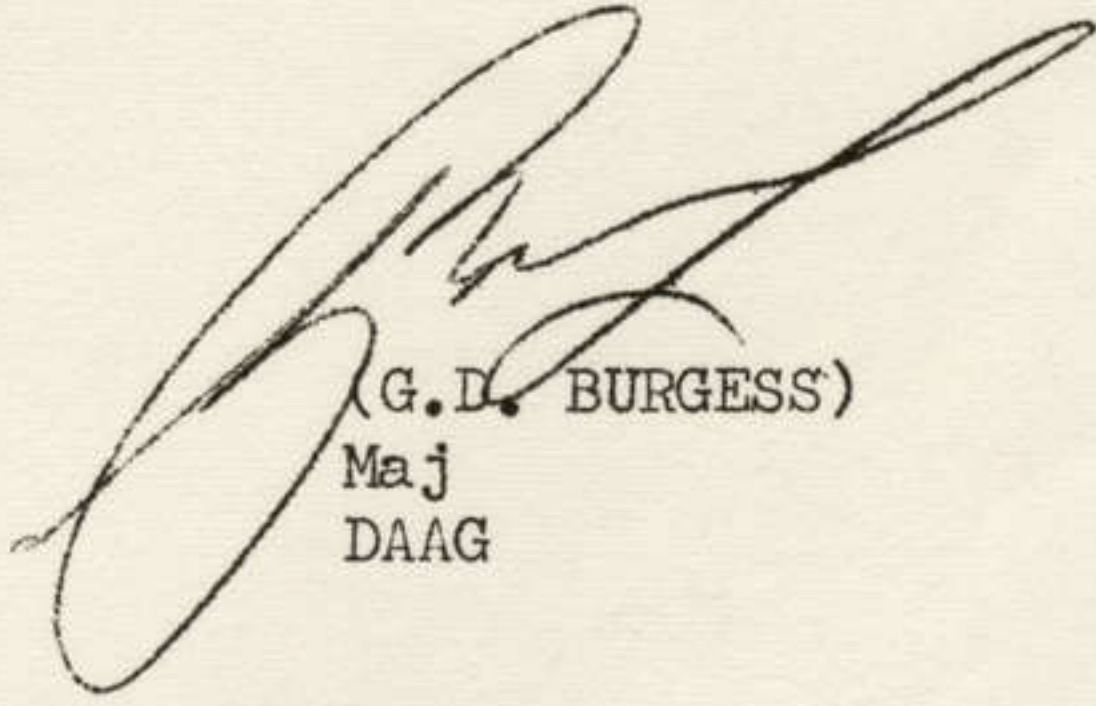
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29. ORDER OF THE DAY BY BRIG S.P. WEIR, MC

29. On relinquishing command of 1 ATF, I would like to express my deep appreciation of the efforts of all members of the Task Force during my tour. The Task Force is a sound professional organization which has been most successful on the battlefield and highly deserves the many tributes that have been paid to it. The high standard set reflects great credit on every soldier, NCO and officer in the Task Force.

I thank you all for your loyal support, wish you all good soldiering for the remainder of your tour and success in your future careers.

My good wishes to the new Commander, Brigadier W.G. Henderson, OBE and to you all.



(G.D. BURGESS)

Maj
DAAG