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Miscellaneous units

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Item: 1 Australian Civil Affairs Unit

Narrative

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[1-31 Oct 1968]

COVERING LETTER

Reference No. 18.

To: OIC, Military History Section, AHQ.

- 1. I enclose Commanders Diary (AF C 2118) (Adapted) as indicated at Part 2.
- 2. Please return receipt below.
(Signature) *K. J. Gardiner* Lt Col
Appointment CO 1 Aust CA Unit
(OC Unit or senior staff officer)

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COMMANDERS DIARY

OF

Unit or Formation FIRST AUSTRALIAN CIVIL AFFAIRS UNIT
From 1 OCT 68 To 31 OCT 68

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Narrative (AF C 2118)

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PART 3

COMMANDERS DIARIES

INSTRUCTIONS

AIM

1. The aim of a Commanders Diary is to provide data on which to base future improvements in Army training, equipment, organization and administration, and to furnish historians with a record of the activities of units and formations in operational and non-operational periods in peace and in war.

GENERAL

2. Entries are to be made daily on AF C 2118 (Adapted) each entry being initialled by the officer detailed to keep it.
3. Commanders Diaries will conform with the rules for drafting orders given in "Staff Duties (Australia)" Chapter 2, Section 12.

RESPONSIBILITY

During Non-operational Periods

4. A Commanders Diary is to be compiled by commanders of all formations.

During Operational Periods (1)

5. A Commanders Diary is to be compiled in duplicate by:
 - a. Commanders of all formations.
 - b. Each branch of the staff at formation headquarters commanded by a brigadier or above.
 - c. Heads of services not below the rank of lieutenant colonel.
 - d. Personal staffs and officers holding special appointments.
 - e. Unit commanders.
 - f. Commanders of a detachment of a unit when so ordered.

COMPILATION

6. Both original and duplicate copies are to consist of:
 - a. Cover (AF C 2119) (Adapted).
 - b. Index as printed on cover.
 - c. Narrative (AF C 2118) (Adapted).
 - d. Annexes as shown in the Index.
7. All details of the unit or formation (if a detachment is concerned, the name of the parent unit), period covered and enclosure numbers of the annexes are to be shown on the cover. If there has been a change of command since the last report, the date of assumption by the new commanding officer is to be included.
8. The annexes are to be assembled in the groups shown on the cover. If there are no enclosures for an annex NIL will be entered on the cover. If additional annexes are convenient for a particular headquarters, starting at B.

for operations form Annex "Z", "TOP SECRET" the document. It is to be prepared and disposed of as

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as well as map references), establishment, equipment

orders given.

day's fighting, including company movements.

commander with regard to equipment, tactics, organization

of importance.

officers, men and equipment.

personnel captured.

employed in the time not accounted for. The type of

and to save work as much information as possible is to be given. All orders issued and received, routine returns, etc. All and the time of receipt or despatch is to be given.

annexes, but need not give a precis of any of them.

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DISPOSAL

13. **Original Commander's Diary.** This is to be forwarded monthly, unless otherwise ordered, by the seventh day of the succeeding month direct to AHQ.

14. **Duplicate Commander's Diary.** This must be clearly marked as a duplicate. It is to be sent separately from the original to AHQ one month after the original has been despatched but not before the former has been acknowledged.

15. When overseas, both copies of diaries are to be sent through the Army Records organization in the overseas theatre but at different times.

16. **TOP SECRET Supplementary Diaries.**

a. The documents referred to in Paragraph 9 together with a list of them made out on AF C 2118 (Adapted) must be placed in separate cover (AF C 2119) (Adapted). All details must be filled in and the cover clearly marked in red: "ANNEX Z — OFFICER ONLY". It may be convenient to group the papers by appendices.

b. Supplementary diaries must be forwarded under the normal rules for TOP SECRET correspondence, to AHQ. The inner envelope must be plainly marked:

TOP SECRET

ANNEX Z to

Commanders Diary of.....(Formation or Unit)

From.....to..... (Dates)

c. The duplicate supplementary diaries must be despatched as shown in Paragraph 14 as soon as receipt of the original has been acknowledged.

COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

AF-C 2118 (Adapted)

Revised Jun, 1965

MONTH AND YEAR OCT 68

REFERENCE MAP XUYEN MOC 1 : 50,000
BINH BA 1 : 50,000

UNIT/FORMATION 1 Aust CA Unit

Lt Col KW L JH FORD

COMMANDING OFFICER

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
PHAN RANG	2 Oct 68		CO and GSO 2 CA/PSYOPS HQ AFV to No 2 Sqn RAAF PHAN RANG on liaison visit to inspect	
		5 Oct 68	RAAF CA Activities.	
PHUOC TUY	5 Oct 68		Visit to unit by QMG Maj Gen BROGAN. Inspection of AP SUOI NGHE refugee village.	
	7 Oct 68		CA Engr Team deployed to DUC THANH District Compound for construction of village water supply system LA VAN. 1 Offr 9 ORs.	CA Op Instr No 1/68
	11 Oct 68		Meeting of Board of Trustees 1 ALSG Scholarship Fund at HQ 1 ALSG. Draft Charter produced and conditions of award discussed with Comd 1 ALSG.	
	20 Oct 68		Change of Command 1 ATF Brig HUGHES to Brig PEARSON.	
	23 Oct 68		Conference and briefing at Province HQ attended by Province Chief, District Chiefs, HQ Staff and MACV - MACCORDS Advisory Team. Review of security situation in Province.	
	24 Oct 68		Bridge at YS 468773 replaced by 1 Fd Sqn RAE to reopen Route 327 to BINH GIA Village.	
	26 Oct 68		Village Water Supply System LA VAN YS 4677 completed and put into service. SOUTHERN CROSS 17' Windmill and 5,000 gallon Storage Tank. Limited water reticulation to 8 outlets.	
	29 Oct 68		Water Supply System LA VAN damaged during ni 28/29 Oct 68, 1 Standpipe replaced and main reconnected by repair team.	
	30 Oct 68		Revised 1968-69 CA Programme approved by COMAFV. Estimated Expenditure \$A 125,000 EA funds and \$A9,500 from private contributions ex AUSTRALIA	

This form is to be enclosed with the annexes in AF - C 2119 (Adapted).

COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

AF - C 2118 (Adapted)
Revised Jun, 1965

UNIT/FORMATION.....

MONTH AND YEAR.....

REFERENCE MAP

COMMANDING OFFICER.....

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1 B P Coy—275/65—55m

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1 Aust CA Unit
NUI DAT

4 Oct 68

OPS: 1
OP INSTR: 1/68 (LA VAN)
Reference Map: XUYEN MOC - 1 : 50,000
BINH BA - 1 : 50,000
Time zone used throughout this instruction: HOTEL

1. SITUATION

a. ENEMY FORCES

- (1) A marginal security situation exists in DUC TANH District particularly at night. LA VAN Hamlet has been the target of VC infiltration and pressure recently.
- (2) VC snipers and guerilla demolition squads may attempt to disrupt or destroy construction but there is no evidence of active destruction policy on RD and CA construction to date.
- (3) Attacks by fire are likely at night on military installation particularly the DUC TANH District HQ compound.

b. FRIENDLY FORCES

- (1) 1 ATF RIF ops to NORTH and NORTH-WEST of DUC TANH continue to afford protection for the construction project.
- (2) RF locs are: (a) 1 Pl of 626th Coy YS 463783
- (3) PF locs are: (a) Int squad, 37 and 45 Pl YS 463783
- (4) RD Cadre: by day ~~LA VAN~~ ^{VINH THANH} hamlet YS 463778
by night YS 463783
- (5) Sp wpns : 2 x 105mm YS 463783

2. MISSION

a. 1 Aust CA Unit construction team is to build a village water supply system in LA VAN hamlet, NGAI GIAO Village.

b. EXECUTION

a. General Outline

The op will be conducted in three phases:

- (1) Phase 1: Deployment of team from NUI DAT to DUC TANH and establish base camp in District HQ compound.
- Phase 2: Erection of "SOUTHERN CROSS" windmill and storage tank at selected well site.
- Phase 3: Construction of reticulation system to hamlet population and Medical Dispensary.

b. Coordination Instructions

- (1) Works Instruction (prepared by Engr Officer and issued separately)

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(2) Timings: Phase 1: Commence 070800H Oct 68.
To be completed by 071700H Oct 68

Phase 2: Commences 080730H Oct 68
To be completed by 241700H Oct 68

Phase 3: To be completed by 310700H Oct 68

(3) Security:

(a) Construction protected by RF personell at night.

(b) Work site checked each day prior to commencement
of work for mines, booby traps etc.,

ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

- a. Project stores: dumped at site and base camp as per ANNEX
- b. Army stores: required as per ANNEX "C"
- c. Ammunition: 100 rounds per weapon plus 1st line reserve
to be held.
6 x M26 grenades per man
- d. Rations: Deploy with 2 days combat and 1 day combat
reserve.
Fresh rations 2 days each week
Resupply daily
- e. Water: Local sources - sterilized/ boiled
- f. Transport: Unit vehicles
Add load vehicles from 1 ATF for Phase 1
- g. Add Equipment: Water trailer 200 gal
Concrete Mixer
Alcon Pump
Gyn pole and components
- h. Dress and Equip: (see ANNEX "D")
- i. Med: First Aid kit at base camp and work site;
CAS EVAC - DUSTOFF through Sector
Malaria - 2 paludrine daily
- j. Canteen Unit Arrangements
- k. Pay Unit arrangements
- l. Discipline 17985 2Lt J. Sullivan is appointed OC team. To
liaise with DSA DUC TANH for local Admin, local
defence of base camp and notification of bounds
in compound.

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5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL

- a. HQ 1 Aust CA Unit remains NUI DAT
- b. Current SOI apply
- c. 2 x AN/ PRC 25 Sets with team
- d. Liaison visits daily by CO or representative.

for *H. L. Latchford*
(K.W. LATCHFORD) *Capt*
Lt Col
CO

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AMER "A" to

1 Aust CA Unit

OP Instr 1/68 of 3 Oct 68

PROJECT STORES

1. PLUMBING STORES

Pipe, steel, medium series, galvanised	3"	Lin/Ft	67
Pipe, steel, medium series, galvanised	1"	Lin/Ft	4
Coupling, pipe, M.1, equal, F&F galvanised	1"	EA	4
Coupling, pipe, M.1, equal, F&F galvanised	3"	EA	4
Elbow, pipe, M.1 galvanised F&F	1"	EA	18
Elbow, pipe, M.1 galvanised F&F	3"	EA	4
Tee, pipe, M.1 galvanised	1"	EA	8
Valve, check, bronze, standard vertical	3"	EA	1
Tee, pipe, M.1. galvanised	3"	EA	6
Union, pipe, cone, seal, M.1 F&F galvanised	1"	EA	3
Union, pipe, cone, seal, M.1 F&F galvanised	3"	EA	1
Plug, stop, pipe, M.1. galvanised	1"	EA	4
Plug, stop, pipe, M.1. galvanised	3"	EA	3
Tee, reducing, M.1. galvanised	3x3x1	EA	6
Faucet, single, bite, bronze, high, pressure hose connection	1	EA	8

2. WINDMILL COMPONENTS

Project 124.

- Tower, Windmill, 45'. 0"
- Windmill "S-C" 17'. 0" R x 8 stroke x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " Pump
- Tower, Water Tank, 5000 gal 25' high.
- Tank. Squatter 5000 gal "S-C" 6' high MK KT-F c/w bottom.

3. All items to be checked and accounted for by OC Construction team.

ANNEX "B" to

1 Aust CA Unit

OP Instr 1/68 of 3 Oct 68
3 Oct 68

ARMY STORES

1. HAND TOOLS:

Wrench OE 6"	2	Cots folding	10
Wrench OE 12"	4	Mattresses field stretcher	10
Wrench OE 15"	1	Buckets 13"	2
Pliers S/cutting 8"	4	Lockers Double	2
Screw drivers GS 6"	2	Buckets shower canvas	2
Screw drivers GS 14"	2	Canopies latrine metal nesting	1
Wrench OE AF $\frac{3}{8}$ x7/16	2	Funnel SS 1 Pt	1
Wrench OE AF 13/16x $\frac{7}{8}$	4	Bowl food mixing alum anod 17 $\frac{3}{4}$ x7"	1
Wrench OE AF $\frac{1}{2}$ x9/16	2	Cannister food storage 10lbs	2
Wrench Ring DE AF $\frac{1}{2}$ x9/16	2	Food container insulated alum rect w/inserts	2
Wrench Ring DE AF $\frac{5}{8}$ x11/16	2	Dipper kitchen	1
Wrench Ring DE AF 11/16x3/4	2	Ladle kitchen SS $\frac{1}{2}$ pint	1
Wrench Ring DE AF 15/16x1"	2	Knife paring 3" blade	2
Wrench Ring DE AF 13/16x $\frac{7}{8}$	2	Jugs SS 1 Pint	2
Wrench pipe stillson type 18"	2	Teapot serving alum 4 pint	1
Wrench pipe stillson type 36"	2	Cooking outfit field small det	1
Vice bench 6"	1	Screen latrine large complete	1
Spanner socket 7/16 BSW SQ DR	2	Kettle camp oval 12 qt	2
Spanner socket $\frac{3}{8}$ BSW SQ DR	2	Stove 12 Gal (Aust) Camp	1
Spanner socket 9/16 AF SQ DR	2	Cloth hand heat resisting	2
Spanner socket $\frac{1}{2}$ AF SQ DR	2	Bowl hand 4 pint	1
Bar socket $\frac{1}{2}$ SQ DR	2	Knife cook 9"	1
Bar socket extension $\frac{1}{2}$ SQ DR	2	Pan frying alum 14"	1
Socket Ratchet $\frac{1}{2}$ SQ DR	2	Saucepan alum 3 pint	2
Mask welding	1	Saucepan alum 7 pint	2
Welding electrodes cast or high		Tub washing oval 8 gal	2
thesion steel No 12 SWG	10lbs	Cover food perforated 21"x16"	2
Welding electrodes mild steel No		Fork food preparation	1
12 SWG	10lbs	Food turner egg SS	1
Rope $\frac{3}{4}$ " DIA Feet	400	Spoon food service large	2
Rope $\frac{3}{8}$ " DIA Feet	200	Tables FS	2
		Sprayers hand contingus	2
		<u>EXPENSE</u>	
		Insect spray Gals	2
		Batteres for PRC 25 Set	4

3. All items to be checked and accounted for by Sgt TANGENY.

ANNEX "C" to

1 Aust CA Unit

OP Instr 1/68 of
3 Oct 68

DRESS AND EQUIPMENT

1. The following personnel comprising the construction team are to be equipped as follows:

- a. Lt J.B. SULLIVAN -- OC Party
Sgt P.J. TANGNEY -- 2IC Party
Cpl R.G. HAMES
Cpl I.S. HANKS
Cpl P.A. OLIVER
L/Cpl I.C. ALBRECHT
Pte J.M. SCHOLZ
Pte D.N. PEPPER
Spr B.J. McCORMACK

2.
 - a. Three (3) Sets of Jungle greens
 - b. Two (2) prs boots GP
 - c. Hats utility
 - d. Rain smock
 - e. Two (2) x Changes of underclothing
 - f. Toilet gear
 - g. Complete set of webbing
 - h. Mosquito Nets
 - j. Sheets and pillowslips
 - k. Weapons and ammunition
 - l. Two (2) days combat rats
 - m. Shell dressing 2 x 1st Fd dressing
 - n. Messing equipment.

3. To be checked by Sgt TANGNEY prior to move.

Appendix 1 to ANNEX "A" of

1 Aust CA Unit

OP Instr 1/68 of
3 Oct 68

VEHICLE LOADINGS

Serial	Type	Load	Day
1	Tipper (unit) (Towing cement mixer)	Engineer Equpt, tools Accu stores	1
2	Tipper	Personel gear, bedding rations, canteen stores, refrigerator, Mill head	1
3	+ Rovers $\frac{3}{4}$ ton	Personel gear	1
4.	Tipper (RAASC)	Gravel	1
5.	+ Tipper (RAASC)	Sand & 20 cement bags	1
6	+ CL (RAASC)	Project stroes	2
7	+ CL (RAASC)	Project stores	2
8	+ CL (PAASC)	Project stores	2
9	+ Pango	Project stores	2

one day
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PLUS

- a. Forklift - Saturday 5 Oct 68 0800 hrs ($\frac{1}{2}$ Hr)
b. Forklift - Tuesday 8 Oct 68 0800 hrs (4 Hrs)

* Loan stores.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

1 AUST CA UNIT
1 ATF
AFPO 4

4 Nov 68

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Distribution Below.

CIVIL AFFAIRS - 1 AUSTRALIAN CIVIL AFFAIRS UNIT
MONTHLY REPORT - OCTOBER 1968
PHUOC TUY PROVINCE AND VUNG TAU SPECIAL ZONE

1. The monthly report for October 68 is submitted covering the following:
 - a. Construction - Annex A
 - b. Medical - Annex B
 - c. Educational - Annex C
 - d. Commodity Distribution - Annex D
 - e. Miscellaneous - Annex E

Assesment of Future Projects

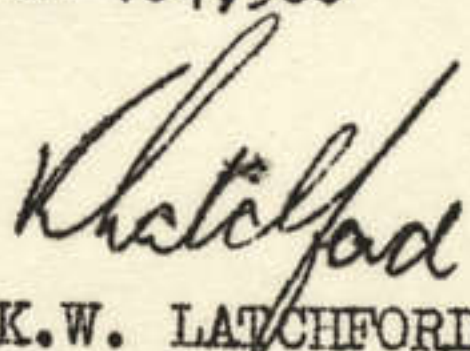
2. As a result of the discussions held in Australia on 18 Oct 68 between CO 1 Aust CA Unit, AHQ (DES) and SOUTHERN CROSS Ltd, the supply of additional stores still required for six Windmill installations are expected on the November voyage of "JEPARIT". The remaining five Windmill installations are planned for procurement and delivery early in 1969. Construction is planned to recommence on the remaining Village Water Supply systems in late November 68.
3. Construction projects in the October 68 Revise of the CA Programme 1968/69 are being processed in order of priority for approval by COMAFV. It is planned to have at least three major construction projects under contract in PHUOC TUY and VUNG TAU at any one time.
4. The draft 1969 Pacification Plan requirements are under consideration by GVN and MACCORDS Advisors PHUOC TUY at this time. Close liaison is being maintained to ascertain Australian Army CA commitments in FY 1969/70 prior to discussion with HQ AFV and Aust Embassy.

Estimate of Reaction of Recipients

5. The main area of activity has been in DUC THANH District during October 68. The Windmill/Water Supply system installed at LA VAN Hamlet has created great interest amongst the local villagers and those in surrounding villages. The presence of the construction team living in the District Compound adjacent to LA VAN Hamlet has made a favourable impression of Australian interest in the area. The rapid repair by 1 Fd Sqn of a demolished road bridge at BINH GIA Village was an excellent example of quick reaction military civic action. The construction of the DUC THANH Market is also regarded as a major contribution by the GVN-Australian authorities to improve the standards of living of the inhabitants of this contested district.

Projects Closed in October 1968

6.	<u>Project NO</u>	<u>Date Closed</u>	<u>Final Cost \$VN</u>
	164-169 and 174	12 Oct 68	\$VN 3,165 each
	V161	12 Oct 68	\$VN 104,500

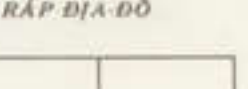

(K.W. LATCHFORD)
Lt Col
CO 1 Aust CA Unit

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 Quận Xuyên Mộc
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1 AUST CA UNIT

ANNEX A TO
1 AUST CA UNIT
SOP FOR PROJECT ADMIN

MONTHLY REPORT - CONSTRUCTION

(To be at Unit HQ by the third day of each month)

MONTH...OCTOBER... LOCATION...PHUOC TUY PROVINCE AND VUNG TAU SPECIAL ZONE.

1. PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

PROJECT NO	LOCATION/DESCRIPTION	STAGE OF COMPLETION	LOCAL LABOUR EMPLOYED	PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED
83	DUC THANH Market	75%	Local Contract	
194	Furniture BARIA HIGH SCHOOL Library	95%	Local Contract	The contractor completed this approximately 15 Oct 68, however the standard of finish was quite unsatisfactory. The furniture was not accepted and the contractor is currently remedying the faults.
124	LA VAN/Windmill and Water Retriculation	100%	CA Unit Team and Local Day Labour	Awaiting costing before closing project.
V156	4 Classrooms at HOI THANH TINH LANH School	5%		
V161	Const of Footbridge THUY GIANG	30%		
V109	Water Treatment Plant	99%		

RECONNAISSANCE FOR FUTURE PROJECTS

PROJECT NO	LOCATION	TYPE/DESCRIPTION	COMMENTS
104	SUOI NGHE	Water Supply	Awaiting assistance in digging deep bore hole.
147	THU LUU	School Repairs	Quote received, stores being arranged. Project in process of being submitted for approval.
	LONG HUONG) LONG TAM) PHUOC NGUYEN) PHUOC THOI)	School Repairs	As Above
170-173	NAM PHUOC THANH) NU PHUOC THANH) NAM PHUOC HAI) NU PHUOC HAI)	Badminton/Volley Ball Courts	To be constructed when Engr Det 1 Aust CA Unit is free from other construction commitments.
123, 125, 126, 127	XUYEN MOC) VINH THANH) AN NHUT) PHUOC HAI)	Windmill/Water Reticulation	Awaiting stores ex Australia.
131	PHUOC HAI	5 Classroom School	Awaiting AFV Approval.
182	LONG DIEN	Rehousing	Remaining 8 houses to be commenced Mon 4 Nov 68.

MEDICAL CIVIC ACTION REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 1968
(MACV Directive 40-9)

1. TREATMENTS

RESULTING FROM HOSTILE ACTION	MALE	1	TOTAL
	FEMALE	0	2
	UNDER 13 YEARS	Nil	
	13 YEARS AND OLDER	Nil	
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NOT RESULTING FROM HOSTILE ACTION	6800	PHUOC TUY	157 VUNG TAU
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DENTAL	Nil	VUNG TAU SPECIAL ZONE	229
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IMMUNIZATIONS	PLAGUE	Nil	SMALLPOX Nil
	CHOLERA	Nil	OTHER Nil

2. TRAINING

NUMBER OF VIETNAMESE HEALTH WORKERS TRAINED	10
TYPE OF TRAINING RECEIVED (Specify)	Preventive Medicine Management of minor ailments for which patients seek medical aid
PERSONAL HYGIENE/SANITATION CLASSES HELD	12
ATTENDANCE	800

REMARKS

- Incidence of malaria was considerably reduced in the first two weeks of October and then rose to its usual higher level.
- Participated in three cordon and search operations in DUC THANH district. At BINH BA, NGAI GIAO, and VINH THANH.
- A special trip was made to XA BANG Outpost to bring medical treatment to the soldiers and their dependants.
- A detailed hygiene survey of the hamlets in the Province not assessible to GVN Public Health workers is under way. At present this is being conducted at LA VAN, SUOI NGHE and LONG TAUN. In addition, following co-ordination between this detachment and Province Medicin Chef, classes on personal hygiene, sanitation and in particular preventative methods against plague are being held three times weekly.

MONTHLY EDUCATION REPORT

1. ENGLISH CLASSES

a. School Students.

Classes 16 Students 600 Class Meetings 48

b. Adult.

Classes 2 Students 14 Class Meetings 20

c. English Classes were conducted at VUNG TAU.

2. SPECIAL TASKS

a. Additional English Classes are being held in PHUOC LE Schools by US Soldier after a period of observation of methods used by members of the section.

b. Preparatory negotiations were conducted with USAID and GVN Chiefs on the DAT DO High School project. Liaison was also conducted with RD Chief and Officials. Site now has been cleared by SEA BEES and the contractor commences work on 3 Nov on 3 Classroom Unit.

c. Equipment has been supplied to all seven schools in the valley ball court project.

3. COMMENT

a. CHAU VAN TIEP High School reopened on 8 Oct 68 with Junior Classes only (650 students). The Senior Classes (350 students) are still not operating due to lack of teachers. The current staff consists of 9 teachers and RAAEC Education NCO. The Headmaster, Deputy Headmaster and male teachers are undergoing ARVN Military Training for 3 Months.

b. Repair and Maintenance.

A repair and maintenance team for all provincial schools, comprising of 4 Vietnamese workman is operating under control of Education Advisor and under supervision of a Clerk Of Works of this unit. Funds are provided by US AIK and Commodity support from RD.

4. VUNG TAU

English Classes - NAM BINH.

a. Senior - 18 students - 12 Classes.

b. Junior - 60 students - 12 Classes.

CAT LO

70 Students - 12 Classes.

MONTHLY REPORT - COMMODITY DISTRIBUTION

1. PHUOC TUY PROVINCE

Clothing	3 Cases	SUOI NGHE School
	3 Cases	HOA LONG Village
	1 Case	TAM PHUOC (Swimming Party)
	2 Cases	LONG DIEN District Outposts
Material	3 Rolls	HOA LONG Village
Food	63 Boxes	SUOI NGHE Compound
	83 Boxes	HOA LONG Village
	2 Boxes	TAM PHUOC (Swimming Party)
	43 Boxes	LONG DIEN District Outposts
Rice	30 Bags	PRU HQ
	32 Bags	10 MLD
	14 Bags	LONG DIEN Compound
	6 Bags	SUOI NGHE Compound
	30 Bags	LONG LE District Compounds
	10 Bags	SUOI NGHE Hamlet
Soap	1 Case	HOA LONG Village
Kitchenware	3 Boxes	LONG DIEN District Outposts.

2. VUNG TAU

Rice	40lb to Social Welfare
Toys	1 Tea Chest to Social Welfare
Canvas	3 pieces 18' x 24' to NAM DONG Orphanage (This material salvaged from Boards of Survey)
Midwife Kits	15 to Social Welfare.
Sweets	2 Cu Ft to Major's Office for distribution on Childrens Day

MONTHLY REPORT - MISCELLANEOUS

1. PHUOC TUY PROVINCE

a. Cordon and Search Operations: CA Medical Team conducted MEDCAPS in conjunction with RF/PF units in cordon and search of BINH BA, NGAI GIAO and VINH THANH. Medical Officer and 5 Medical orderlies were involved.

b. Liaison

(1) Briefings were given to 1 Aust Reinforcement Unit personnel and visiting CMF Officers on activities of 1 Aust CA Unit, PHUOC TUY Province and relations with the population.

(2) Local purchase of bamboo and charcoal by units of 1 Aust Task Force was arranged at SUOI NGHE. To date total purchase of bamboo from this hamlet for units is approximately \$52,800VN.

(3) Commodity distributions were made to dependants of RF/PF Compounds at HOA LONG, SUOI NGHE, LONG DIEN Outposts and DAT DO. Captured VC rice delivered to this unit was distributed to Military Compounds throughout the Province.

(4) A beach party for children of RF soldiers stationed at TAM PHUOC was conducted at VUNG TAU during the month.

(5) Personnel of the Agriculture Section were engaged in the conduct of Agricultural Research/Demonstration area near SUOI NGHE.

c. Activities of 1 ATF Units

(1) 1 Fd Sqn replaced a small road bridge on Route 327 on 24 Oct 68 to Class 60 standard. The existing bridge was demolished by ATVs of C Sqn 1 Armd Regt on the previous day and civilian traffic to and from BINH GIA Village was disrupted for the minimum time. This quick reaction task gained very favourable comment from local inhabitants.

(2) Units of 1 ATF continued to assist villagers of SUOI NGHE Hamlet in housing improvements etc., under the sponsorship programme.

2. VUNG TAU SPECIAL ZONE

a. The homes of all victims of the Rocket attack on 19 Oct 68 were visited the following day to offer assistance however the Social Welfare Department had organized all necessary aid the Australian aid offered was not therefore required.

b. A request has been made by the War Invalid Centre to level a site, adjacent to 1 ALSG, on which it is proposed that 100 houses will be erected for war invalids and their families. This request has been passed to 17 Const Sqn who will accept the project after determining the work required.

c. Requests have been received from 3 Schools in VUNG TAU for quantities of sand and gravel to raise the level of the grounds above the wet season flooding level. These will be passed to 17 Const Sqn and 5 Coy, to be fulfilled as service demands permit.