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Narrative

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[1-31 May 1970]

COVERING LETTER

Reference No. 12/70

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.

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OF

Unit or Formation A Sqn 1 Armd RegtFrom 1 May 70To 31 May 70**INDEX**

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.

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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:

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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.

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COMMANDING OFFICER MAJ JAN CHIPMAN

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)
1		1 MAY		Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE, Tp of 7RAR in AO PENNY, Tp of AO TULIP, Tp of road work Route 2, Elms with MCT. Plans. No change present activity. Locs: SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp NDP ELIZABETH, 2 Tp HORSESHOE, 3 Tp FSPB DISCOVERY, 4 Tp YS 457 877, Elms MCT YS 509 562	E1
2				INTSUM 121-70	G1
3		2 May		Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. Tp of 7RAR in AO PENNY, Tp remains HORSESHOE, Tp of AO TULIP, Tp of road work Route 2. Elms with MCT. Plans. No change present activity Locs: SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp NDP ELIZABETH, 2 Tp HORSESHOE, 3 Tp FSPB DISCOVERY, 4 Tp vic YS 457 877, Elms MCT YS 509 562	

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5		3 MAY		Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. 1 Tp HORSESHOE, 1 Tp sp 7RAR AO PENNY 1 Tp AO TULIP, 1 Tp sp road construction Route 2, Elms MCT. Plans. No change present activity. Loco. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2 Tp 517 613, 3 Tp DISCOVERY, 4 Tp 456 868, MCT elms YS 509 562	E2
6				INTSUM 123/70	G2
7		4 MAY		Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. 2 Tp 3 Tp sp 7RAR, 4 Tp sp with TANGO FORCE AO TULIP, 1 Tp with Road construction Route 2, Elms with MCT Plans. No change present activity. Loco. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2 Tp HORSESHOE, 3 Tp DISCOVERY, 4 Tp YS 521 889, Elms MCT YS 509 562	E3
8				INTSUM 124/70 SUPINTREP 17/70	G3, G3A
	YS 530 635	3 MAY	1500H	2 Tp loc mine markers, suspected mor base plate and cache for 60mm mor eqpt	
9		5 MAY		Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. 1 Tp sp road construction Route 2 2 Tp 3 Tp sp 7RAR AO PENNY, 4 Tp TANGO FORCE AO TULIP Elms with MCT	E4

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				Plans. No change present activity hqs. SHQ NUI DAT, 1Tp ELIZABETH, 2Tp HORSESHOE, 3Tp DISCOVERY, 4Tp YS 519899, Elm MCT YS 509562	
	YS 465655 466575		0900H	Relief vehicle moving to MCT loc road blocks made of wire strung across road. Blocks pulled with no result.	
10				INTSUM 125/70	G4
11		6 MAY		Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT. 1Tp sp road construction Route 2 E5 3 Tp HORSESHOE, 2Tp NDP TIMOTHY, 4Tp AO TULIP with TANGO FORCE, Elms with MCT.	
				Plans. No change present activities. hqs. SHQ NUI DAT, 1Tp YS 496890 , 2Tp YS 610774 , 1Tp ELIZABETH, 2Tp TIMOTHY, 3Tp YS 646720, 4Tp YS 460860. Elms with MCT & TIMOTHY	
	YS 644713		1600H	3Tp located and destroyed two bunkers - last occupied 2-3 weeks previously.	
12				INTSUM 126/70	G5
13		7 MAY		Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT, 1Tp sp road construction Route 2	E6

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				2 Tp, 3Tp ^{sp} 7RAR AO PENNY, 4Tp AO TULIP with TANGO force, Elms with MCT via YS 509562 Plans. No change present activity. Hqs. SHQ NUI DAT, 1Tp ELIZABETH, 2Tp YS 498541, 3Tp DISCOVERY, 4Tp YS 457878, Elms MCT YS 509562 (TIMOTHY)	
	YS 646720		0145H	3Tp contact from AP with 1-2 en. Also at 0730H. Sweep in morning revealed drag marks two bodies.	
14				INTSUM 127/70	G6
15				OP INSTR 21/70 OP CONCRETE II	D1
16				RO PART I Serial 23 No 86-87	K1
17		8 MAY		Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT, 2Tp 3Tp ^{sp} 7RAR, in ^{PENNY} AO TULIP and MCT, 4Tp AO TULIP with TANGO FORCE, Elms MCT via YS 509562. 1Tp road construction Route 2 Plans. Elms with MCT return NUI DAT otherwise no change. Hqs. SHQ NUI DAT, 1Tp ELIZABETH, 2Tp and Elms with MCT BRIGID, 3Tp DISCOVERY, 4Tp YS 470886.	ET

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18				INTSUM 128/70	G7
19				OP INSTR 22/70 (OP NUDGE)	D2
20		9 MAY		Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT, 1 Tp road construction Route 2, 2 Tp with MCT, 2 Tp 3 Tp sp 7RAR, 4 Tp AO TULIP with TANGO Force. Plans. No change present activity. Locs. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2 Tp BRIGID, 3 Tp HORSESHOE, 4 Tp YS 470 886.	E8
21				INTSUM 129-70	G8
22		10 MAY		Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT, 1 Tp road construction Route 2, 2 Tp sp 7RAR and MCT, 3 Tp sp 7RAR, 4 Tp AO TULIP with TANGO Force. Plans. No change present activity. Locs. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2 Tp BRIDGET, 3 Tp HORSESHOE, 4 Tp YS 464 883.	E9
23				INTSUM 130/70	G9
24		11 MAY		Sqn (-) remains NUI DAT, 1 Tp road construction Route 2	E10

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23				2Tp up 7RAR and MCT, 3Tp up 7RAR, 4Tp of AO TULIP with TANGO FORCE Plans. No change present activity. Hors. SHQ NUI DAT, 1Tp ELIZABETH, 2Tp BRIDGET, 3Tp HORSESHOE, 4Tp 464 879 INTSUM 131/70	
25					G10
26		12 MAY		Sqn(-) remains NUI DAT. 1Tp road construction Route 2, 2Tp with MCT at NDP BRIDGET, 3Tp up 7RAR from HORSESHOE, 4Tp of with Tango Force in AO TULIP Plans. No change present activity. Hors. SHQ NUI DAT, 1Tp ELIZABETH, 2Tp BRIDGET, 3Tp HORSESHOE, 4Tp YS 464 870	E11
	YS 475 565 YS 481 553		1430H	3Tp operating with Aslt Pns 7RAR on reaction to a bunker system. Located 30 bunkers of varying ages with no physical contact. M16 detonated in area resulted in infantry DUSTOFF.	
	YS 542 567		1620H	2Tp of with 7/C/7RAR located unoccupied bunker system of 11 bunkers. No contact.	

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YS 464870		2045H	4 Tp engaged lights without any known result. Morning sweep failed to give result.	
YS 420672		2134H	1 Tp engaged lights with unknown result. Sweep in morning failed to produce result.	
			INTSUM 132/70 RO Pt 1 Serial 25 No 99-102	G11 K2
	13 MAY		Sqn (-) remained NUI DAT. 1 Tp with road team Route 2, 2Tp sp MCT and 7RAR from NDP BRIDGET, 3Tp sp 7RAR from HORSESHOE, 4Tp op in AO TULIP with TANGO Force. Plans. No change present activity. Locs. SHQ NUI DAT, 1Tp ELIZABETH, 2Tp BRIDGET, 3Tp HORSESHOE, 4Tp YS 465872	E12
YS 422525		2030H	2Tp engaged light source and light was extinguished. No other result known	
			INTSUM 133/70	G12
	14 May		Sqn (-) remained NUI DAT. 1Tp op with road	E13

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			cont Route 2, 2Tp up 7RAR and MCT from	
			BRIDGET, 3Tp up 7RAR and LCT. from area	
			of HORSESHOE, 4Tp op in AO TULIP with Tanga	
			Force.	
			Plans. No change present activities.	
			Locs. SHQ NUI DAT, 1Tp ELIZABETH, 2Tp	
			BRIDGET, 3Tp HORSESHOE, 4Tp YS 465872	
			INTSUM 134/70	G13
	15 MAY		Sqn (-) remained NUI DAT. 1Tp with road team	E14
			Route 2, 2Tp with MCT from NDP BRIDGID,	
			3Tp up 7RAR from HORSESHOE incl LCT,	
			4Tp op in AO TULIP with Tanga Force.	
			Plans. No change present activity.	
			Locs SHQ NUI DAT, 1Tp ELIZABETH, 2Tp	
			BRIDGET, 3Tp HORSESHOE, 4Tp YS 465867	
YS 494510		1200H	2Tp engaged slit trench and obtained secondary.	

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YS 502511		1427H	2Tp located mine markers, 3x M16 fuzes and 1x M16 Detonator.	
			INTSUM 135/70	G14
	16 MAY		SHQ remained NUI DAT. 1 Tp with road construction Route 2, 2 Tp with MCT at BRIDGET, both tps protective tasks, 3Tp up TRAR from HORSESHOE, 4Tp of with Tanga Force in AO TULIP.	E15
			Plans. No change from present activities here. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2Tp BRIDGET, 3Tp HORSESHOE, 4Tp YS 496873.	
			INTSUM No 136-70	G15
	17 MAY		SHQ remained NUI DAT. 1 Tp with road construction Route 2, 2 Tp MCT at BRIDGET, both protective tasks, 3Tp up TRAR from	E16

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			HORSESHOE, 4Tp with Tango Force AO TULIP	
			Plans. No change present activities.	
			Locs. SHQ NUI DAT, 1Tp ELIZABETH, 2Tp	
			BRIDGET, 3Tp HORSESHOE, 4Tp YS 468867	
YS 468798	16 MAY	2200H	1 Tp engaged lights with no known results following a morning sweep.	
YS 507580	17 MAY	1450H	3 Tp rp LCT located each 7xM16 mines less fuzes. Mines buried with top 2" below ground and at least one month old.	
YS 533653		1630 H	3Tp located on staging camp. See Annex for detail.	E16
			INTSUM 137/70	G16
	18 MAY		SHQ remained NUI DAT. 1Tp road construction	E17
			Route 2, 2Tp MCT at BRIDGET, both on protective tasks, 3Tp rp TRAR at HORSESHOE,	
			4Tp with Tango Force in AO TULIP	

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			Plans. No change present activity	
			hous. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2Tp	
			BRIDGET, 3Tp HORSESHOE, 4Tp YS 457872	
YS 525544		0800H	2Tp detonated 20 lb chlorine pressure mine. 2A light damage to LH front idler and road wheels. No casualties	
			INTSUM 138-70	G17
	19 MAY		SHQ remained NUI DAT, 1 Tp remained with road construction Route 2, 2Tp op with MCT, both on protective tasks, 3Tp up 7RAR from HORSESHOE, 4Tp op in AO QUARTERMILE on Ambush Op	E18
			Plans. No change present activity	
			hous. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2Tp	
			BRIDGET, 3Tp HORSESHOE, 4Tp YS 330798	
			4Tp moved from AO TULIP to AO QUARTERMILE	

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		1130H	1 Tp swept area from which single shot originated with no result.	
			INTSUM 139/70	G18
	20 MAY		SHQ remained NUI DAT. 1 Tp continue of with road team Route 2, 2 Tp continue of with MCT, both on protective tasks, 3 Tp up 7RAR from HORSESHOE, 4 Tp of AO QUARTERMILE in up blocking of for RSSZ hoes. 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2 Tp BRIDGET, 3 Tp HORSESHOE, 4 Tp YS 214786, SHQ NUI DAT.	E19
			Plans. No change present activity.	
			INTSUM 139/70	G18
			ROS A1 Serial 26 No 103-104	K3
	21 MAY		SHQ remained NUI DAT, 1 Tp of road team Route 2, 2 Tp with MCT at BRIDGET, both	E20

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			on defense protective tasks, 3 Tp of 7RAR and LCT from HORSESHOE, 4 Tp of 40 QUARTERMASTER as block for ops in RSSZ	
			Plans. No change present activity.	
			Loss. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2 Tp YS 573568, 3 Tp HORSESHOE, 4 Tp YS 214786	
YS 465552			2 Tp with LCT located bunkers. For detail see Annex E 20.	
YS 519661		1515H	3 Tp assaulted on bunker position with Tp APC and pl inf. On reaction task at time, tp diverted when ac sighted on position. For detail see Annex E 20 and After Action report. CS 3A penetrated by RPG-7(?). CC, Sgt Chambers, head wound, Dorr, Tpr Gebhardt, Scalp, back and leg wounds	

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			Gnr. Tpr Lynch, shock. All medevac.	
			Sgt Chambers to 1 Aust Fd Hosp, returned to unit two days later, Tpr Lynch to 8 Fd	
			Amb returned to unit following morning, Tpr Gebhardt 24 Evac Hosp (US) and medevac to Aust. Vehicle penetration through	
			top of mantlet. Of note, ammo resupply 12 mins from time request initiated by	
			3 Tp until receipt at tp. CS & B invaluable in recovering 3A from contact, DUSTOFF and later providing replacement driver.	
			INTSUM 141/70	G19
	22 MAY		SHQ remained NUI DAT. 1 Tp of road team	E21
			Route 2, 2 Tp MCT at BRIDGET, both on def-	
			-ensive tasks, 3 Tp sp 7RAR from HORSESHOE,	
			4Tp of AO QUARTERMILE - sp of RSSZ.	

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			Plans. No change present activity	
			hqs. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2 Tp	
			BRIDGET, 3 Tp HORSESHOE, 4 Tp YS214786.	
			INTSUM 142/70	G20
	23 MAY		SHQ remained NUI DAT. 1 Tp op with road	E22
			team Route 2, 2 Tp with MCT at BRIDGET,	
			both on protective tasks, 3 Tp sp TRAR	
			from HORSESHOE, 4 Tp op in vic YS2273	
			in ambush - sp op in RSS2	
			Plans. 4 Tp to return NUI DAT 24 May,	
			otherwise no change present activity.	
			hqs. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2 Tp	
			BRIDGET, 3 Tp HORSESHOE, 4 Tp YS214786	
			INTSUM 143/70	G21
	24 MAY		SHQ remained NUI DAT, 1 Tp remained Route 2	E23
			with Road team, 2 Tp remained with MCT at	

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			BRIDGET, both on defensive/protective tasks,	
			3Tp & 7RAR from HORSESHOE, 4Tp return	
			NUI DAT	
			Plans. No change present activity.	
			Locs. SHQ, 4Tp NUI DAT, 1Tp ELIZABETH,	
			2Tp BRIDGET, 3Tp HORSESHOE	
			INTSUM 144/70	G22
	25 MAY		SHQ remained NUI DAT, 1Tp remained	E24
			Route 2 with Road Construction, 2Tp with	
			MCT at BRIDGET, both on protective tasks	
			3Tp in & 7RAR from HORSESHOE	
			Plans. No change present activity.	
			Locs. SHQ 4Tp NUI DAT, 1Tp ELIZABETH,	
			2Tp BRIDGET, & 3Tp HORSESHOE	
			INTSUM 145/70	G23
	26 MAY		SHQ remained NUI DAT, 1Tp remained on	E25

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			protective task with Road Construction Route	
			2, 2Tp protection MCT from BRIDGET,	
			3Tp sp 7RAR from HORSESHOE	
			Plans. No change present activities. 4Tp	
			continues maintenance and R+C preparatory	
			to sp 2RAR 27 May.	
			less SHQ 4Tp NUI DAT, 1Tp ELIZABETH,	
			2Tp BRIDGET, 3Tp HORSESHOE.	
			INTSUM 146/70	G24
Y/S 485683		0030H	Picquet sighted lights but no action initiated.	
	27 MAY		SHQ remained NUI DAT, 1Tp continued	E26
			task with road party Route 2, 2Tp continued	
			task with MCT at BRIDGET, 3Tp sp 7RAR	
			from HORSESHOE, 4Tp deploy from NUI DAT	
			to sp 2RAR	

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COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

AF - C2118 (Adapted)

Month and Year.....MAY 1970.....

Reference Map.....SVN.....

Unit/Formation.....ASQ 1 ARMD REGT.....

Commanding Officer.....MAJ JAN CHAPMAN.....

Place and Grid Reference	Date	Time	Event or Information	Annex Letter and Enclosure Number
			Plans. No change present activity	
			hoco. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2 Tp	
			BRIDGET, 3 Tp HORSESHOE, 4 Tp NOLA	
YS 325695		1429H	While moving to join 2RAR at NOLA the	
			bridgelayers with 4 Tp struck a mine.	
			No damage to vehicle or personnel. Est-	
			imated 5-10 lb charge.	
			INTSUM 147/70	G25
	28 MAY		SHQ remained NUI DAT, 1 Tp remained with	E27
			road team Route 2, 2 Tp with MCT at	
			BRIDGET, 3 Tp sp 7RAR and LCT from	
			HORSESHOE, 4 Tp sp 7RAR from NOLA.	
			1, 2, 3 Tps on protective tasks.	
			Plans. No change present activity.	
			hoco. SHQ NUI DAT, 1 Tp ELIZABETH, 2 Tp	
			BRIDGET, 3 Tp HORSESHOE, 4 Tp NOLA.	

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YS 442852		1400H	1 Tp investigated previously reported bunkers (6 months) - in good condition. No contact.	
			INTSUM 148/70	G26
			RD A 1 Serial 27 No 105-107	K4
	29 MAY		SHQ remained NUI DAT, 1 Tp road construction protection Route 2, 2Tp HCT protection BRIDGET, 3Tp up 7RAR and HCT from HORSESHOE, 4Tp up 2RAR from NOLA	E28
			Plans. No change present activity	
			Locs. SHQ NUI DAT, 1Tp ELIZABETH, 2Tp BRIDGET, 3Tp HORSESHOE, 4Tp NOLA.	
			INTSUM 149/70	G27
YS 350710		2130H	4Tp engaged lights with no known result.	

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	30 MAY		SHQ remained NUI DAT, 1 Tp reacted from protection of Road team Route 2 to sp. 8RAR in bunker operation, 2Tp sp MCT at BRIDGET, 3 Tp sp 7RAR from HORSESHOE, 4Tp sp 2RAR from NOLA. Plans. No change present activity except 1Tp returns to road protection. hoo. SHQ NUI DAT, 1Tp YS 397865, 2Tp BRIDGET, 3Tp HORSESHOE, 4Tp NOLA. INTSUM 150/70	E29
	31 MAY		SHQ remained NUI DAT, 1Tp remained in sp 8RAR bunker contact area, 2Tp remained protective task MCT at BRIDGET, 3Tp sp 7RAR and LCT from HORSESHOE, 4Tp sp 2RAR from NOLA, SHQ tanks deployed to replace 1Tp in protective task	E30

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Unit/Formation.....A SQN 1 ARMD REGT

Commanding Officer.....MAJ JAN CHIPMAN

Place and Grid Reference	Date	Time	Event or Information	Annex Letter and Enclosure Number
			for road team Route 2	
			Plans. No change present activities except	
			1 Tp returns Road team Route 2 and	
			SHQ tanks return NUI DAT	
			SHQ NUI DAT, SHQ Tanks ELIZABETH,	
			1 Tp YS 397865, 2 Tp BRIDGET, 3 Tp	
			HORSESHOE, 4 Tp NOLA.	
			INTSUM 151/70	G29.
	GENERAL		During period tanks have actively supported ^{their} various	
			tanks by carrying out night and day ambushes and RIF's as	
			a daily occurrence. Primarily the tanks operated from a set	
			night location and were prepared to react to specific points when	
			required. Usually troops were grouped with APC's and infantry.	
			The Squadron has continued active support of the IATF	
			Civic Action project, by continuing the painting and rebuilding	
			of NGAI GIAO YS 463795 and the building of a dispensary in	

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Unit/Formation.....A SON 1 ARMD REGT.....

Commanding Officer.....MAJ JAN CHIPMAN

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MESSAGE FORM

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FROM 1 ATF

TO 7 RAR

INFO LIST Z (LESS SERIALS 32-36)

1 ATF OP INSTR NO 21/70 (OP CONCRETE II)

ONE . SITUATION .

ALFA . EN FORCES . BRIEFED SEPARATELY BY GSO2 (INT)

BRAVO . FRIENDLY FORCES . CURRENT 1 ATF SITREPS .

TWO . MISSION . TO DESTROY EN WITHIN ALLOTTED AO .

THREE . EXECUTION .

ALFA . GEN OUTLINE .

FIRST . ESTB EN BASE HORSESHOE HILL ON 8 MAY 70 .

SECOND . CLOSE FSB DISCOVERY ON 9 MAY 70 .

BRAVO . GROUPING . REMAINING IN DS 106 FD BTY . REMAINING IN SP

ONE TP A SQN 1 ARMD REGT CMM ONE TP B SQN 3 CAV REGT CMM ONE

TP 1 FD SQN . REVERTING TO COMD 7 RAR ON ESTB EN HQ 7 RAR AT

HORSESHOE HILL C COY 7 RAR . FROM UNDER COMD C COY 7 RAR TO

UNDER COMD 7 RAR FROM ESTB EN HQ 7 RAR AT HORSESHOE HILL SECT

MOR PL 7 RAR CMM DET SIG PL 7 RAR AND TWO INTERPRETERS 7 RAR .

FROM UNDER COMD C COY 7 RAR TO IN SP AND UNDER COMD FOR ADMIN

FROM ESTB EN HQ 7 RAR HORSESHOE HILL DET 131 DIV LOC BTY .

CHARLIE . TASKS .

FIRST . CONDUCT RECCE AND AMBUSH OPS IN ALLOTTED AO .

SECOND . PROVIDE PROTECTION FOR MINEFIELD CLEARING TEAM .

THIRD . CONDUCT SUCH TRGFOR ARVN PERS AS DIR BY HQ 1 ATF .

FOURTH . BE PREP TO FOSTER ELMS OTHER UNITS AT HORSESHOE HILL .
AS DIR BY 1 ATF .

FIFTH . CONTINUE TO DEVELOP HORSESHOE HILL DEF .

DELTA . COORD INSTR .

FIRST . AO . CATHY . ANNEX A ISSUED SEPARATELY .

FOUR . ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS . NO CHANGE .

FIVE . COMMAND AND SIGNAL .

ALFA . RADIO . ON REVERTING TO COMD 7 RAR CMM C COY 7 RAR STA 1 ATF
COMD NET TO CLOSE .

BRAVO . NICKNAMES .

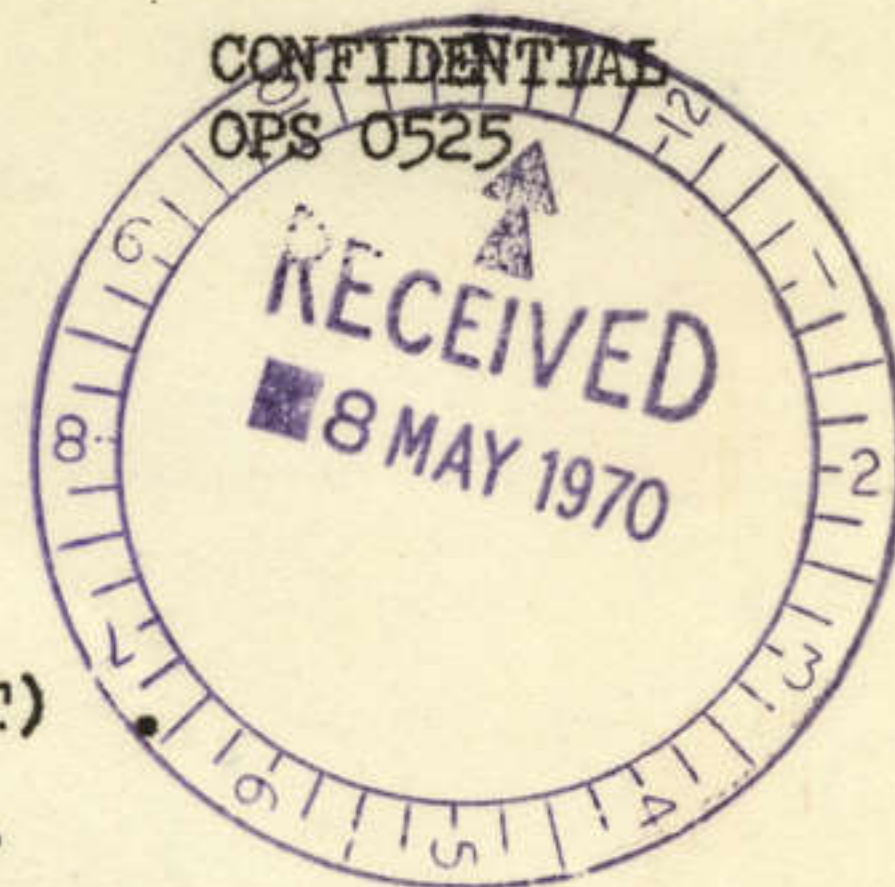
FIRST . OP . CONCRETE II .

SECOND . AO . CATHY .

CHARLIE . AO PENNY AND EXTENSIONS CANCELLED WITH EFFECT 080800H MAY 70 .

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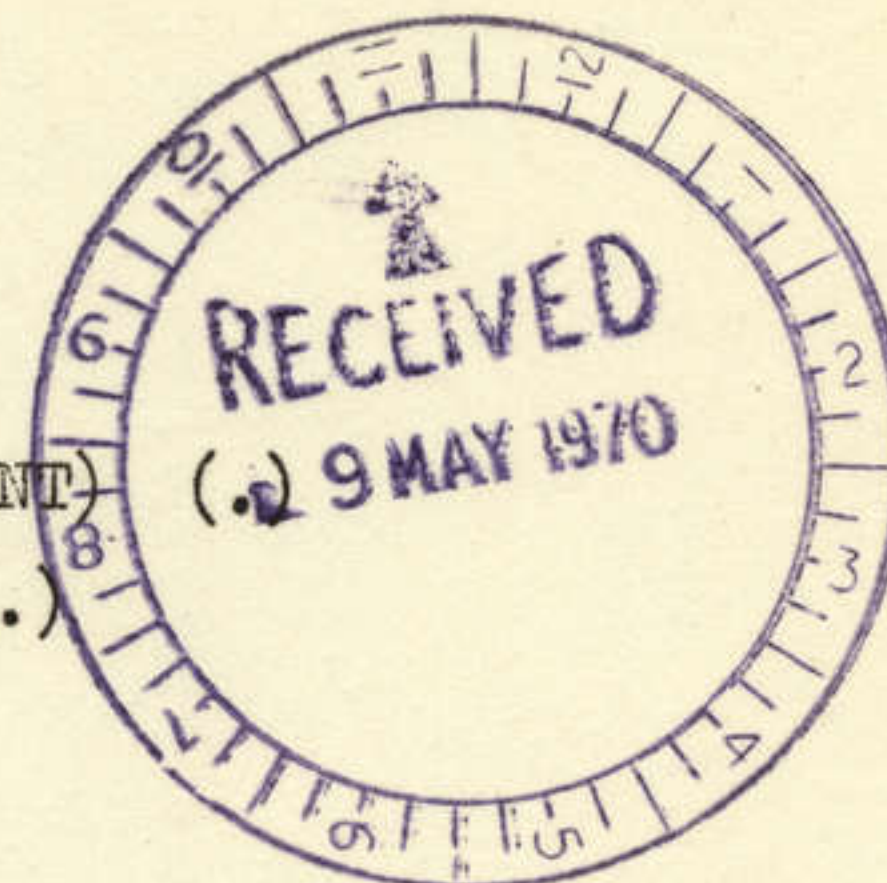
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1 ATF OP INSTR NO 22/70 (OP NUDGE) (.)

ONE (.) SITUATION (.)

ALFA (.) EN FORCES (.) BRIEFED SEPARATELY BY GS02 (INT)

BRAVO (.) FRIENDLY FORCES (.) CURRENT 1 ATF SITREPS (.)

TWO (.) MISSION (.) TO DESTROY EN WITHIN ALLOTTED AO (.)

THREE (.) EXECUTION (.)

ALFA (.) GEN OUTLINE (.)

FIRST (.) OCCUPY FSB LE LOI ON 7 MAY (.)

SECOND (.) BN DEPLOYED TO PROVIDE PROTECTION TO VILLAGES WITHIN AO (.)

BRAVO (.) GROUPING (.)

FIRST (.) REMAINING IN DS ¹⁶¹~~106~~ FD BTY (.)

SECOND (.) IN SP FROM 080800H MAY 70 TP 1 FD SQN (.)

THIRD (.) IN SF FROM 080800H MAY 70 BASE PTL 1 ARU (.)

CHARLIE (.) TASKS (.)

FIRST (.) CONDUCT RECCE AND AMBUSH OPS IN ALLOTTED AO (.)

SECOND (.) PROVIDE SECURITY TO POPULATED AREAS WEST ROUTE 2 CMM HOA LONG
AND LONG DIEN (.)

DELTA (.) COORD INSTRS (.) AO (.) QUARTERMILE (.) ANNEX A ISSUED SEPARATELY (.)

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WHERE POSSIBLE (.)

FIVE (.) COMMAND AND SIGNAL (.)

ALFA (.) NICKNAMES (.)

FIRST (.) OP (.) NUDGE (.)

SECOND (.) AD (.) QUARTER FILE (.)

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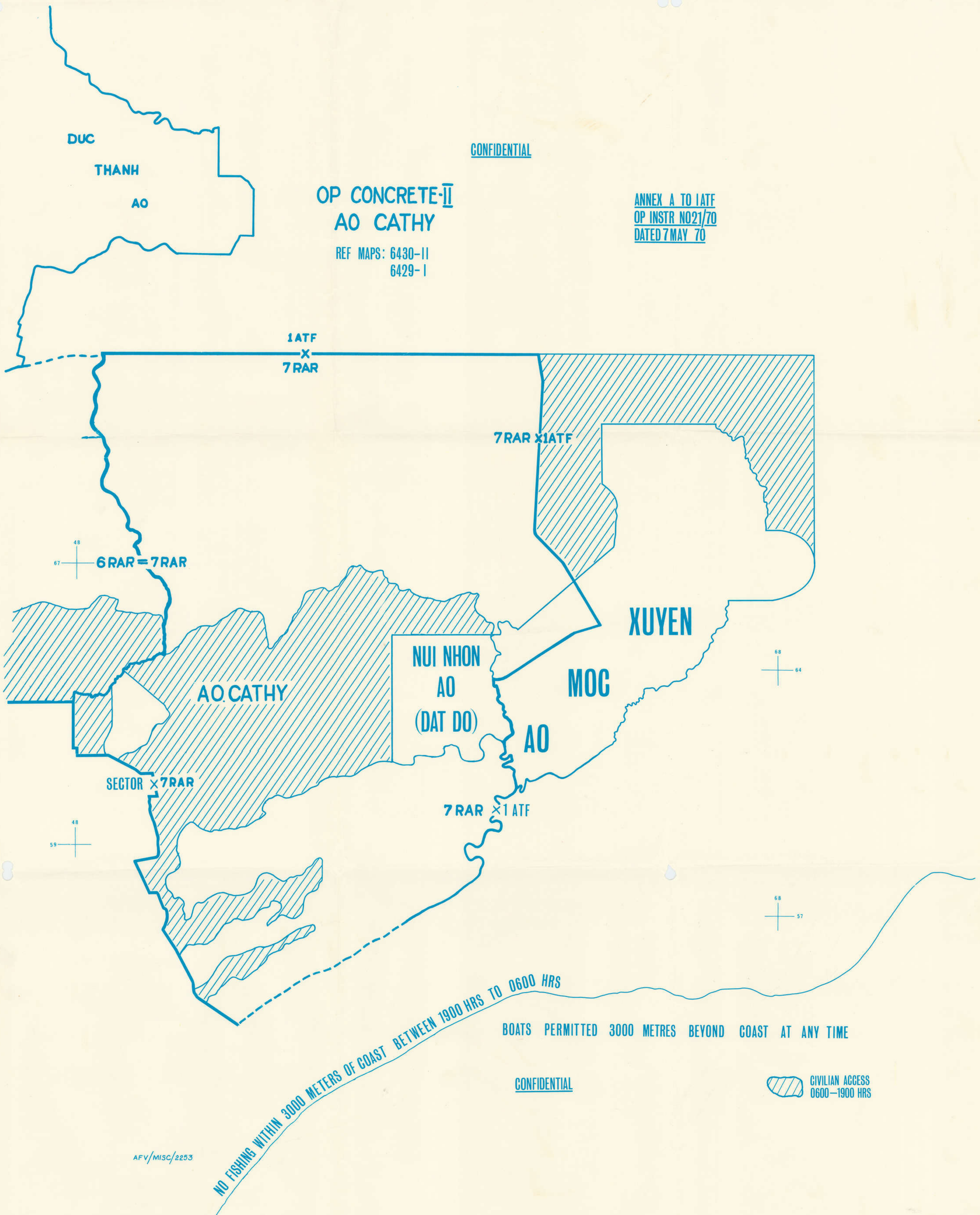
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ANNEX A TO IATF
OP INSTR 22/70
DATED 8 MAY 70

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6430 IV

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8 RAR DISTRICT

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IATF X 8 RAR

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IATF
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7 RAR

8 RAR DISTRICT

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PATROL

BASE

IATF X 8 RAR

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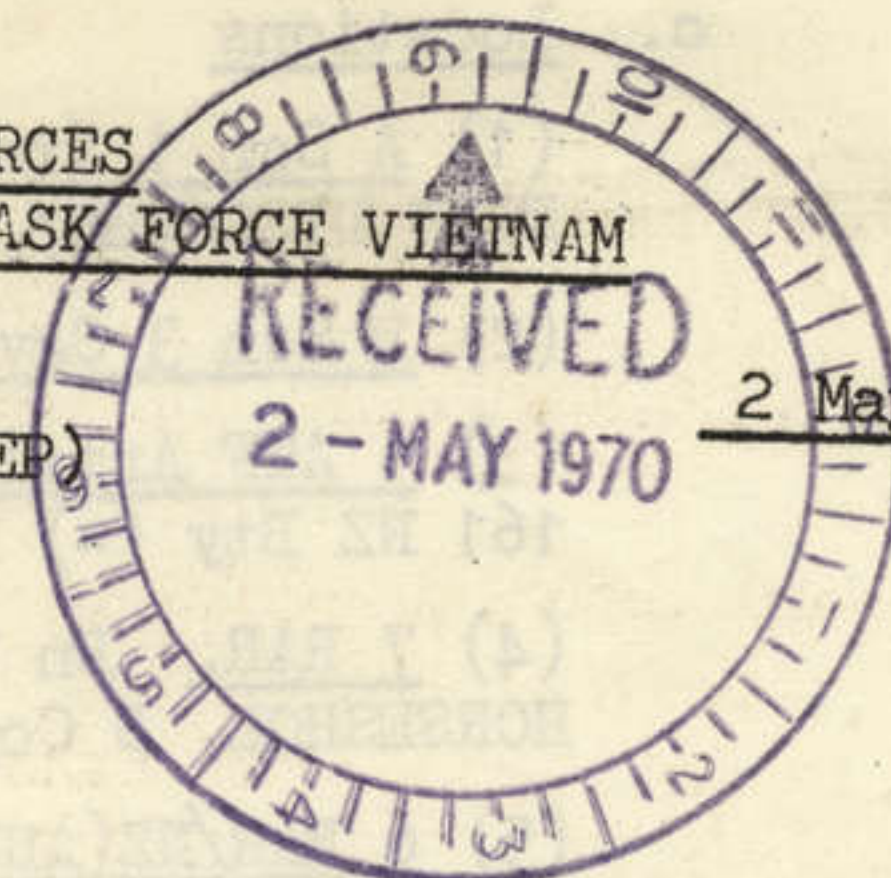
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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM
NUI DAT



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.
- (2) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains in NUI DAT. Tp remains HORSESHOE HILL. Tp supports 7 RAR in AO PENNY. Tp op in AO TULIP. Elms with MCT.
- (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 sps 7 RAR in AO PENNY. Tp ops in AO TULIP.
- (2) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains in NUI DAT. Tp(-) remains area BINH GIA. One sect with MCT. One sect with LCT. Sect in sp 7 RAR in AO PENNY. Tp ops in AO TULIP.
- (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 MG 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 NW. 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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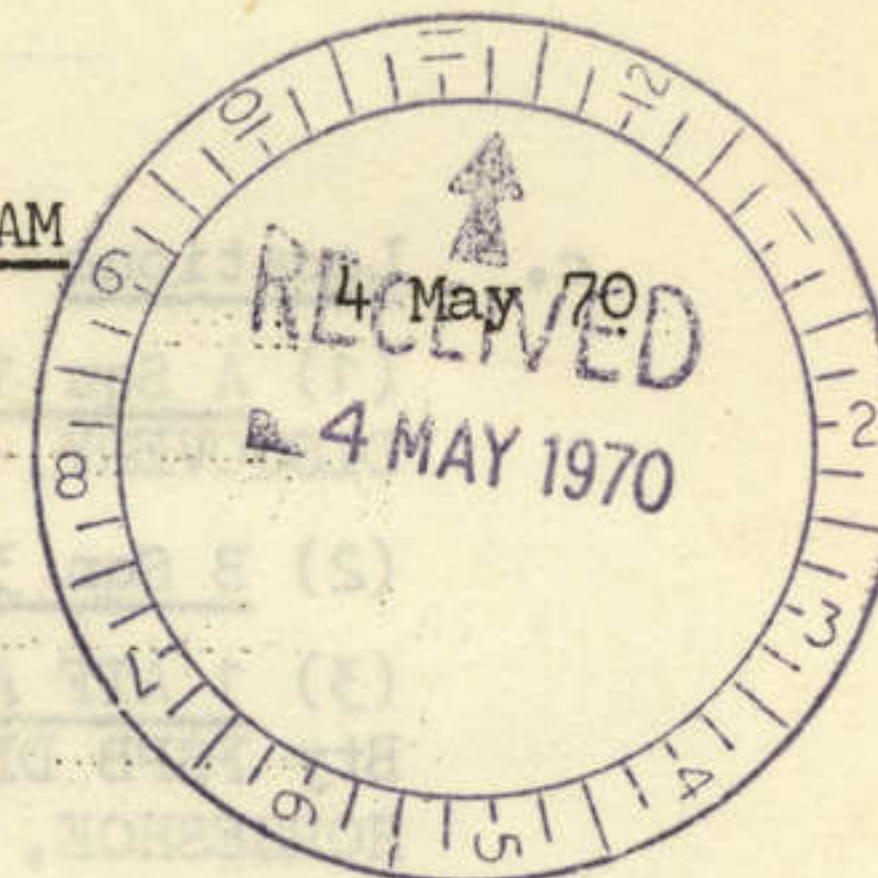
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HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM
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- (7) 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC). Bn(-) remained loc NUI DAT. One coy op in vic BINH BA YS4473.
- (8) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remained deployed AO PENNY with Bn HQ at FSPB 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.
- (10) Air Support.

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

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

- (1) A Sqn 1 Armd Regt. Sqn(-) remains in 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 in NUI DAT. One sect with MCT. One sect with LCT. Sect in sp 7RAR in AO PENNY. Tp ops in AO TULIP.
- (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. 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.
- (7) Mine Clearing Team. SOUTH DAKOTA.
- (8) Land Clearing Team. NDP TIMOTHY.

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 GS". 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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SUBJECT: Ground Commanders Situation Report (SITREP)
From 040001H to 042400H

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



1. Operations Summary.

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- (4) Task Force Artillery. ~~Three~~ contact and 27 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 op in vic BINH BA YS4473.
- (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.
- (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.

b. Plans Summary for Period 050001H to 052400H May 70.

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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 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.
- (6) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remains in AO PENNY. BHQ at FSPB DISCOVERY. One coy remains HORSESHOE HILL.

/ (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.

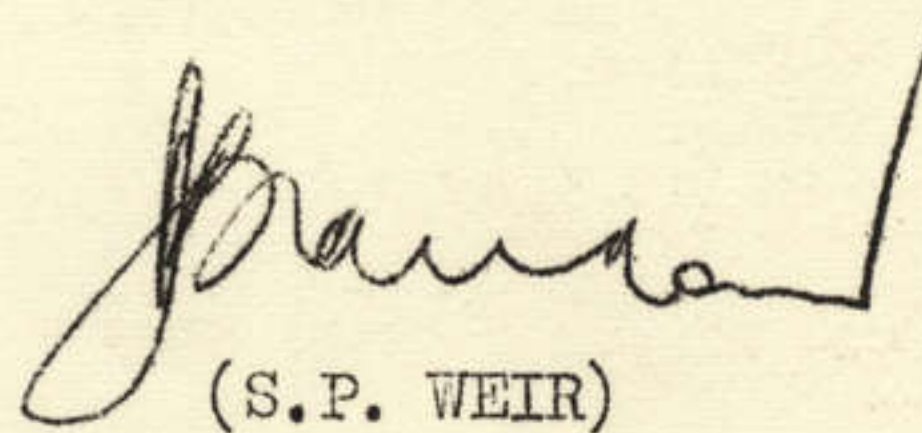
(3) Small Unit Actions with contacts: Nil.

(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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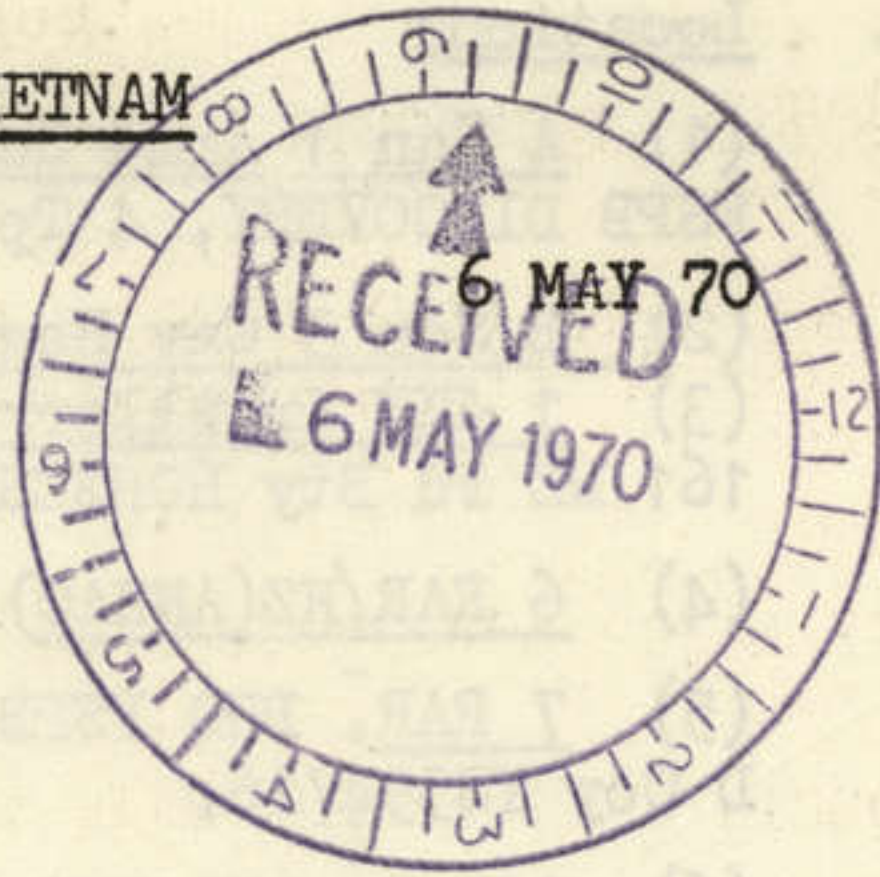
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From 050001H to 052400H May 70.

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- (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.

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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, C 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 YS465653 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.

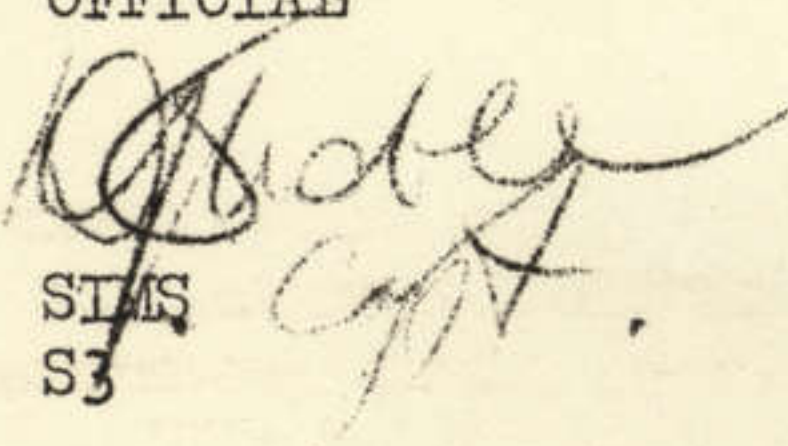
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b. Plans Summary for Period 070001H to 072400H May 70.

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- (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.
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- (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.
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- (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.

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3. Meteorological Detail

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

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

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- (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 YS 426896.

(7) Mine Clearing Team. NDPIA 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.

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Meteorological Detail

a. Rainfall. Nil.

b. Prevailing Winds. E at 5 - 7 knots.

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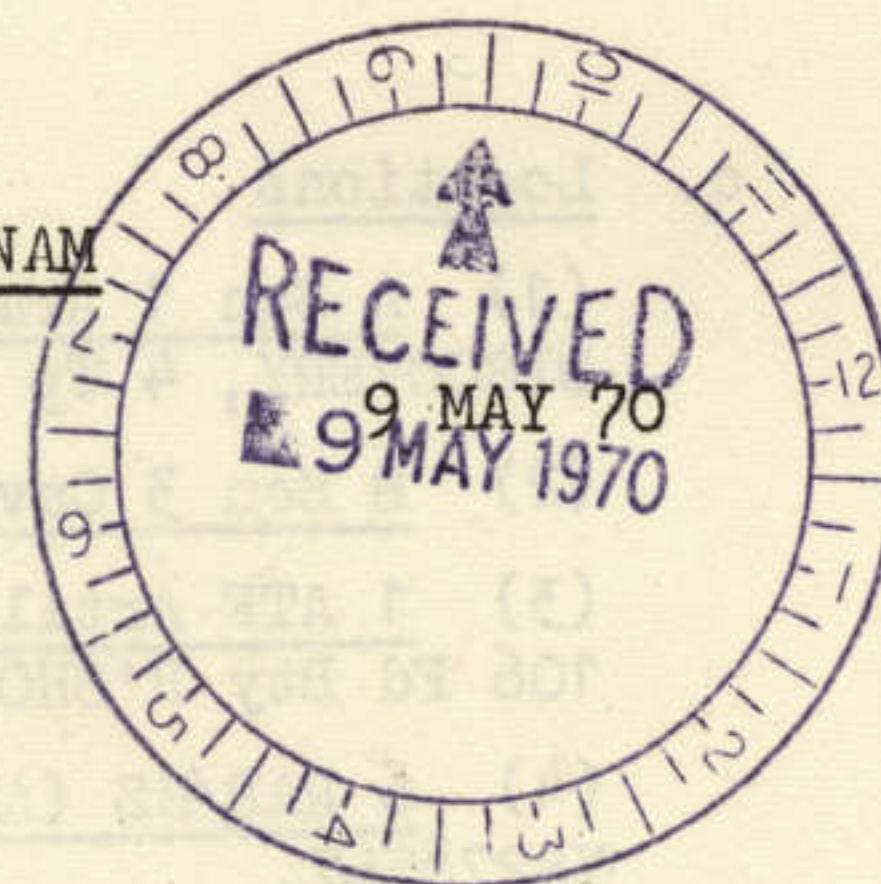
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SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Situation Report (SITREP)
 From 080001H to 082400H

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

1. Operations Summary

a. General

(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.

(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^P 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^P 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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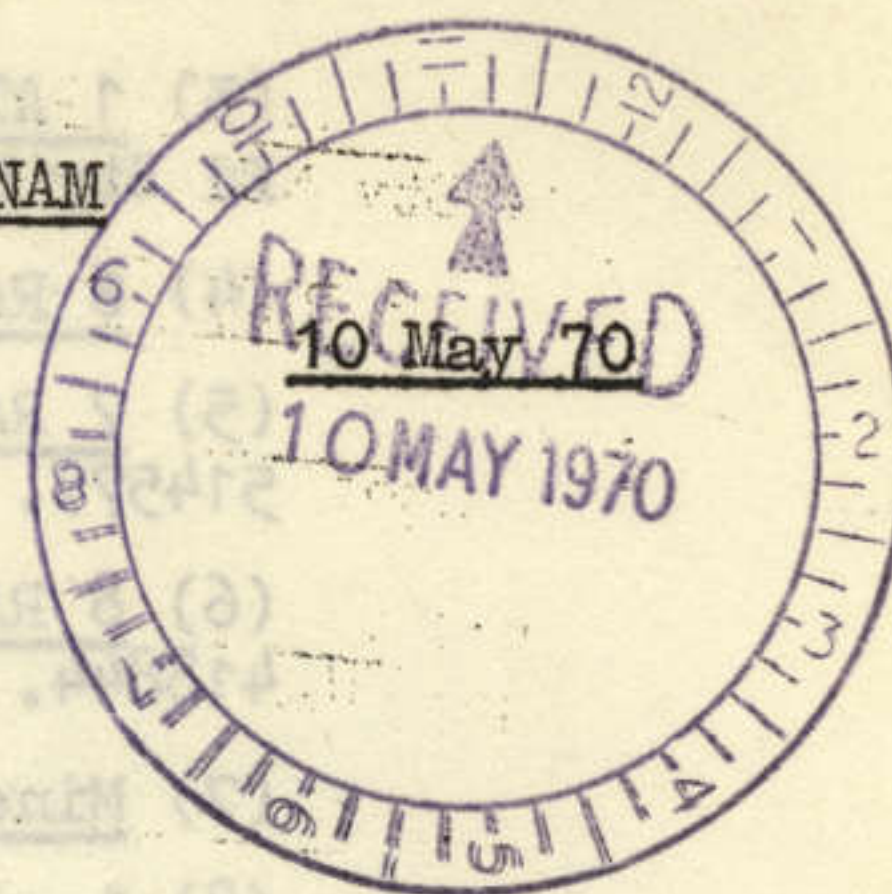
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- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt. Sqn(-) remains in NUI DAT. One sect remained with MCT. One sect with LCT. Tp op in AO TULIP. One tp at HORSESHOE HILL.
- (4) Task Force Artillery. contact and Intel and Acquired tgt missions were fired during the reporting period.
- (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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From 100001H to 102400H

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- (4) Task Force Artillery. 4 contact and 7 Intel and Acquired tgt missions were fired during the reporting period.
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- (10) Air Support.

TIME	GRID	BDA/REPORT
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 brs.

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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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(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 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 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 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. Continue minefield clearance DAT DO. Continue road construction 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 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. 4Tp 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 FSPB 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 ½ complete. 1 mine detonated.

3. Meteorological Detail

a. Rainfall. Nil.

b. Prevailing Winds. E at 6 knots.

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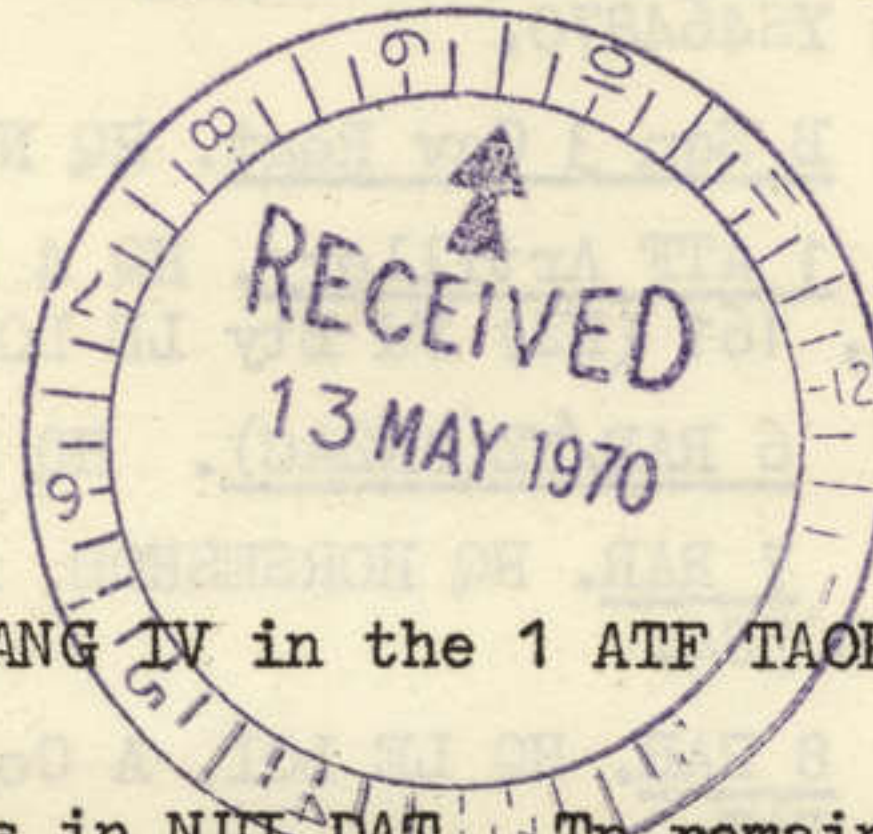
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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM
NUI DAT

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.
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- (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.
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- (8) 7 RAR. Bn(-) remained deployed with BHQ at HORSESHOE HILL. One coy loc NDP BRIDGET vic YS5154.
- (9) 8 RAR. Bn(-) deployed in AO QUARTERMILE centre of mass YS4275. BHQ at FSPB LE LOI. One coy remains in area of ...

(10) Air Support.

TIME	LOCATION	BDA/REPORT
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,T 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 separate 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.

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(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

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From 130001H to 132400H

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

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a. General

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- (3) B Sqn 3 Cav Regt 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 Aquired 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.

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- (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.
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- (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.

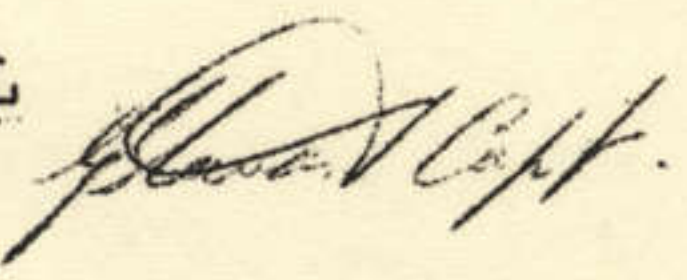
b. Prevailing Winds. South at 5 knots.

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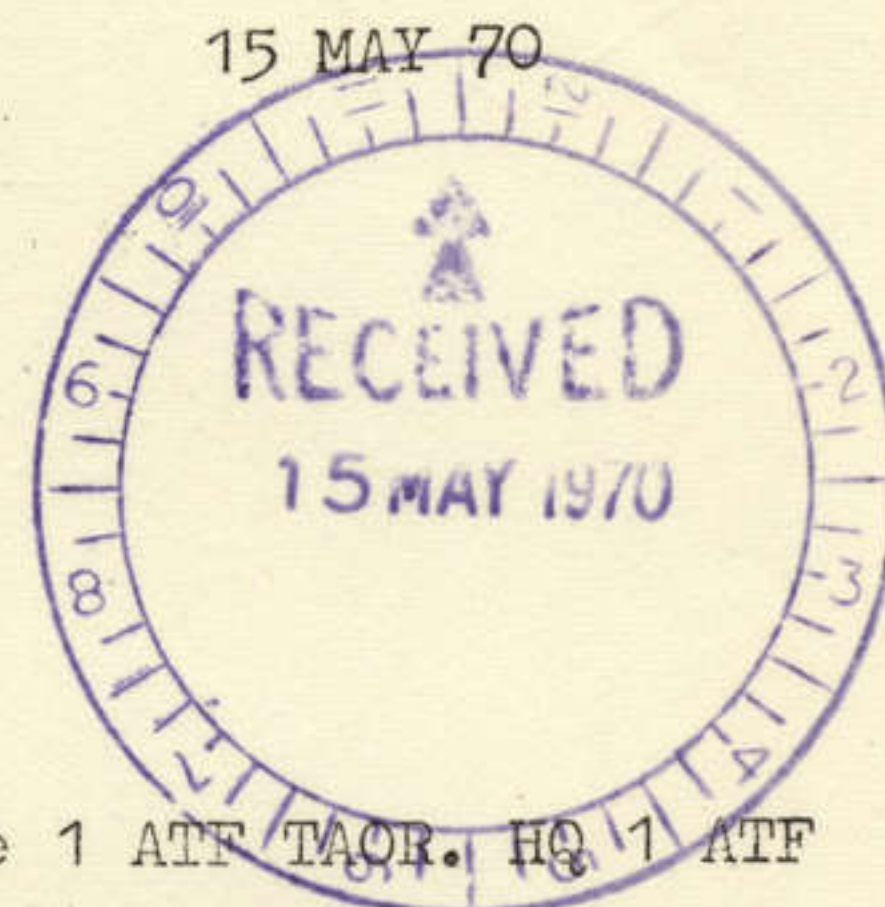
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b. Plans Summary for period 150001H to 152400H May 70.

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- (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.
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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. 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 camouflage slirts. 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 2 1/2" 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 initiated 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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Meteorological Detail.

a. Rainfall. 0.54"

b. Prevailing Winds. SE at 6 knots.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
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- (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 LONG.

(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
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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. Pn(-) 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 3ras 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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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 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. 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 190000H 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. Coyloc 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 HORSESHOE, 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

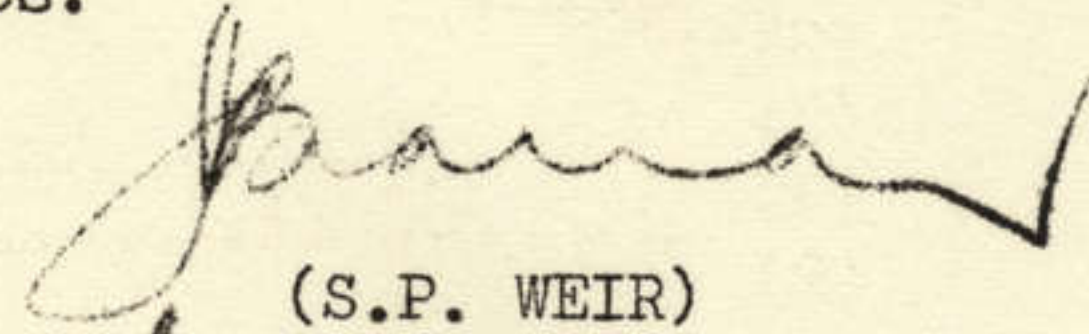
a. Psychological Operations

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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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 TEANG 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.

<u>TIME</u>	<u>REFERENCE</u>	<u>BDA</u>
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 YS3307.
- (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

20 MAY 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.

<u>TIME</u>	<u>REFERENCE</u>	<u>BDA</u>
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 SFC 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 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/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 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 YS420640, C 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. 1x D8 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 YS460863 6pl 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 & E 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. There 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. 0.61"
- b. Prevailing Winds. 2920 at 4 knots.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
HEADQUARTERS 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE VIETNAM
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SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Situation Report (SITREP)
From 210001H to 212400H

22 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. 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 ½ 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 ½ 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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