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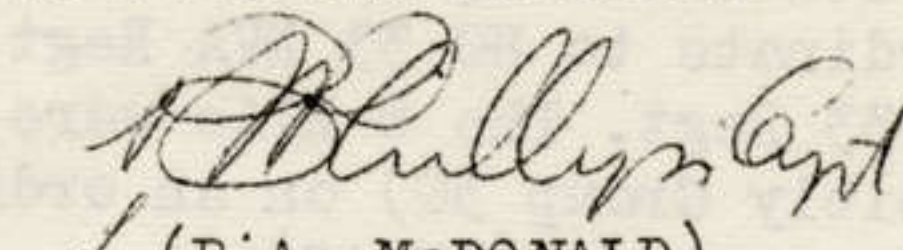
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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 130/71 dated 10 May 71.
2. Period covered from 100001H to 102400H May 71.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were no contacts with Task Force Elements.
 - a. Ground Activity.
 - (1) AO ELSIE.
 - (a) (101440H) At YS471862, an anti-tank Pl from 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) Bn found one half-dug bunker made in the preceding 2-3 days. Entrance/exit to N, S and E. A qty of cooking utensils, C rations debris, one paper mine marker and a qty of docus recovered. COMMENT : Docus tentatively identify a member of the disbanded D65 Engr Bn, of which an elm is believed to be operating under comd BA LONG HQ. See Annex B.
 - b. Air Activity.
 - (1) Omitted.
 - (2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See Annex E.
 4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.
 - a. to d. omitted.
 - e. Enemy Weapons and Material Captured or Destroyed.
 - (1), (2), (3) and (5) omitted.
 - (4) Captured Documents. See Annex B.
 - f. Cumulative Totals for Month - MR 3

(1) KIA 1 VC.	(22) SA rds 40
(2), (3) and (4) omitted.	(23) Grenades 12
(5) <u>Individual Wpns.</u>	(24) AP mines 6
Action 1	(25) to (27) omitted.
Caches 1	
(6) to (21) omitted.	
 5. Omitted.
 6. Omitted.
 7. Omitted.
 8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 19/71 dated 10 May 71.
 9. Omitted.
 10. Omitted.
 11. Miscellaneous.
 - a., b., c. and e. omitted.
 - d. Agent Reports. See Annex C.
 - e. Other Items of Reporting Interest.
 - (1) (091910H) At YS456754, a policeman and a soldier from DUC THANH District Compound were fired on by AK47 from E side of Route 2. There were no friendly cas. Shots were fired by an unk number of en.
 - (2) (101030H) At YS660670, two armed VC stopped people and demanded fresh beans. The same two were later seen moving from YS694795 to YS705724 by another source.
 - (3) (101900H) From YS474510 3 Coy 302 RF Bn observed two VC entering a known MG position at YS474506. The area was engaged by arty with unk results.
 - (4) (092010H) At YS474506, 2 Pl 3 Bn 302 RF Bn engaged one VC with unk results.


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- Annexes ; A. Interrogation Reports.
 B. Captured Documents.
 C. Agent Reports.
 E. Aerial Reconnaissance.

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| HQ TRAC | Advisory Team 89 | RSSZ (for IO) |
| MACV-J2 | Sector S2 | All 1 ATF LOs |
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ANNEX A TO
INTSUM No 130/71
DATED 10 MAY 71

INTERROGATION REPORT
DETAINEE - DINH HUY HIENS

Reference: 1 ACD INTSUM No 30 dated 9 May 71.

1. An en soldier named HIEN surrendered to 513 RF Coy following a firefight on 21 Mar 71 at YS844930. From interrogation it was learned that HIEN was a Communist Party Member, and was a member of the Information Collection Team, Section 2 (Int) MR 7 at the time of his capture.
2. HIEN states that Section 2's function is to collect information by monitoring radio transmissions, primarily Vietnamese, although there is a two-man radio intercept team specializing in US transmissions.
3. HIEN is a specialist in Morse Code and he states that his task was only to listen to the transmissions and write them down. The translation and evaluation of the messages was the task of other teams within the section. He is uncertain of the operation of the other teams of Section 2, explaining that there were careful security regulations imposed upon them and that they operated in different locations.
4. HIEN stated that from the operations of his team it was possible to identify the source and recipient of the monitored transmissions through experience and familiarity with identification prefixes repeatedly used.

ANNEX B

CAPTURED DOCUMENTS

3 Bde (Sep) 1 (US) Cav Div (AM)

1. Docus found in a bunker after a contact by 1 ACD tps at YT573028 at 040830H May 71, included a SITREP on Aust contact with D445.
2. The report was written by U-4 (BA LONG (P) Unit) to MR 7, undated. It stated that at 1630 hrs on 20 Apr 71, a Coy of Aust made contact at the base of D-2 (D445), on the W side of the SUOI TAN Stream. N of XUAN SON (YS5777). The elm of D445 withdrew, leaving the Aust in control of the region. COMMENT: This is a reference to the C Coy 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) contact with D445 at YS559805 at 201637H Apr 71 (see INTSUM 110/71 para 3. a. (1) (d))
3. Reference 1 ATF INTSUM 129/71 para 11. f. (2)
Docus captured by 1 ACD on 8 May 71 at YT583234, on 8 KIAs after a contact, were found to belong to the Sig Section of 3 Bn, 33rd NVA Regt (reference in SUPINTREP 19/71 dated 10 May 71).
4. Docus captured included letters, cryptographic signal material, blank recommendations for promotion, wpns roster for C10, wounded slip for a member of C12, receipts, photos, Victory Award for PHUONG MAI of XUAN LOC (D) Forces, food list, Youth Labour Group membership booklet, Membership note, a Hospital Admission slip, personal record booklet, notebook of poems, self evaluation and self criticism, BARIA - LONG KHANH (P) Women's Association emblem, notebook of rosters, writings dealing with C10 during TET 68 and other activities during 1968, and list of personalities. 1 ACD COMMENT: The Signal Section is subordinate to HQ 33 NVA Regt but seems to be operating as an ordnance supply team for 3 Bn 33 Regt. The 8 KIAs were travelling from 3 Bn to an unk unit in DINH QUAN (D) (possibly Group 30) on an ordnance resupply mission.
Sp Coy 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC).
5. Docus discovered by Sp Coy 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) in a two to three day old bunker system at YS471862 at 101440H May 71 included a piece of cardboard with the words "Prohibited Area - Mines" followed by a Skull and Crossbones inscribed on it. The other item was an envelope from QUANG SI to HONG PHAT. COMMENT: 1 ATF ORBAT shows a NGUYEN HONG PHAT as being a member of the former D65 Engr Bn. It is believed that an elm of the former D65 is subordinate to BA LONG Province and is carrying out mining activities in the E portion of the COURTENAY Rubber Plantation and also probably on parts of Route 2.

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ANNEX C TO
1 ATF INTSUM 130/71
DATED 10 MAY 71

AGENT REPORT

Agent Report XUYEN MOC received 1 ATF 10 May 71. Eval ARVN C3, Aust F5.

1. On 5 Ma 71 at 1700H in vicinity YS643621, 60 VC were observed. An informant recognised LE HONG HAI. At 101915H the group were in the area YS715726 - 664704 - 660715 and HONG was seen again. The informant stated that HONG had been present with D445 in Nov 70 during an attack on 386 RF Coy. COMMENT: LE HONG HAI is unk to 1 ATF ORBAT. Efforts are being made to identify him.

ANNEX E

AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE

1. Visual Recce

<u>DTG</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>SIGHTING</u>
100800H	Area YS 61 - 64 E 72 - 75 N	No fresh sightings.
101000H	YS330783	Two ox carts and a number of civilians
101000H	YS691846	Two unusable bunkers and one old usable bunker
101000H	YS69948511	One usable hut with small tin hut nearby. In the same vicinity to NW was another hut in fair condition. Several destroyed bunkers also seen in area.
101200H	Area YS 64 - 67 E 87 - 90 N	No significant sightings.
091405H	YS794877	Vehicle tracks moving W.
091400H	Area YS 40 - 43 E 84 - 87 N	No sign of recent activity.

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10 May 71

1 ATF SUPINTREP 19/71
(PERIOD 3 MAY - 9 MAY 71)

LAOS

1. Side Looking Airborne Radar has indicated an increase in the weekly average tonnage of supplies moving along routes 101C and 1AC in North Vietnam. This increase in truck traffic has also been reflected by sensor string activations in the Laotian Panhandle. The enemy is reported to be attempting to improve his LOC's so as to allow him to continue the movement of supplies during the wet season.
2. Previous interdiction of the enemy's supply routes and the onset of the SW monsoon will cause choke points on the roads which, weather permitting, will supply lucrative targets for tactical airstrikes.
3. Ground activity in LAOS was at a minimum during the week as enemy forces concentrated on improving their supply system.

CAMBODIA

4. Enemy initiated activity in the TAON THANG AO remained at a low level, probably because the enemy are having a period of rest and resupply. On 5 May ARVN forces called in seven tactical air strikes during a contact with what was possibly elements of the 9th VC Division. Results were reported to be 130 enemy KBA. In another contact near SNOUL ARVN forces were attacked by an enemy force. Gunships and tactical air killed 72 enemy. The only other activity of note occurred in the PICH NIL Pass area where a Cambodian force fought through an unknown size enemy force to link up with two Cambodian battalions that had been isolated since 26 Mar. On 5 May 232 enemy bodies were found near PICH NIL Pass (VT038375). All had been KBA at an undetermined earlier date.

SOUTH VIETNAM MRs 1, 2 and 4

5. Enemy initiated activity decreased to a low level in MR 1. The enemy appears to be concentrating his efforts on improving trafficability and building by-passes on Routes 1032 and 608. In MR 2 enemy activity was characterized by light attacks by fire and ground probes against RF/PF posts. Reports indicate that future enemy activity in MR 2 will be confined mainly to sapper type attacks. Captured documents indicate that 95B NVA Regiment has lost 400 killed and has evacuated 260 wounded since 15 Mar. The loss of the equivalent of two battalions will severely hamper this formation's capability.
6. In MR 4 enemy targetting of territorial forces continues, but only two posts were overrun. Further "Dong Khoi" operations were conducted and one contact resulted in 32 enemy killed of a force of about 60.

MR 3

Enemy Activity

7. As in MR 2 enemy activity in MR 3 has been characterized by attacks by fire and limited ground probes mainly against RF/PF units. In TAY NINH Province on 3 May, an enemy force launched an attack by fire and a sapper attack against ARVN Rangers. The results were 11 friendly killed and 36 wounded. A considerable amount of ammunition was destroyed and a 105mm howitzer was damaged. The enemy lost six killed. 20 sticks of TNT were captured.
8. On 6 May PF elements contacted an enemy force east of TRANG BANG (XT545195). The results were 6 friendly killed and 3 wounded for seven enemy killed.

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9. There were no terrorist incidents in Saigon during the week.

Enemy Capabilities and Intentions

10. A PW in PHUOC LONG Province has stated that "Action Arrow Units" are to be formed in MR 3. These units will be tasked with disrupting GVN rural pacification programmes in districts and villages.

Assessment for MR 3

11. HQ TRAC still estimate that an enemy high point may be conducted this month.

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12. There were two contacts during the week involving 1 ATF troops. One enemy was killed. Sector forces were involved in two contacts, for which there was no known result.

Enemy Unit Identifications and Locations

13. D445. There were no contacts or further identifications of D445. However it is believed that D445 are still in the area of the LONG KHANH/PHUOC TUY border area east of Route 2. C1 Company remain in the LONG HAIS.

14. 3 Bn 33 NVA Regt.

a. Tracks found recently in the Province border area were possibly made by an element of 3 Bn 33 NVA Regt at the beginning of the month. However no further sightings have been made in the northern portion of the Province. It is believed that an element at least of this unit is probably also located in the northern border area.

b. On 8 May an American Long Range Reconnaissance Patrol killed eight members of 3 Bn 33 Regt near the SONG LA NGA in LONG KHANH Province (YT 583234). They are believed to have been travelling from 3 Bn's current location, possibly to VC Transportation Group 30 (the BA LONG Province transportation unit) on an ordnance resupply mission.

15. LONG DAT. The main element of LONG DAT District Forces is believed still to be in the LONG HAIS. However on 8 May A Sqn 3 Cav Regt killed a member of the LONG TAN Village Unit of LONG DAT, in the TAM RU (YS 558671).

16. CHAU DUC have not been contacted in the NUI LE/NUI SAO area since 28 Apr. This group may also have withdrawn into southern LONG KHANH.

17. There have been no recent reports of C36.

18. On 6 May in southern NUI BE (YS 847854) an American VR aircraft received 15 - 20 rds of small arms fire from a camp of 43 bunkers. An airstrike was conducted and aircraft received a further 10 - 15 rounds. 1 ATF patrols found tracks leading towards this area in January and February. A female VC captured by the Americans north of NUI BE (YS 8193) on 4 May stated that she came from a hospital south of the mountain. The enemy group may have been a hospital or another MR 7 Rear Service organization.

Enemy Capabilities and Intentions

19. In the period since 19 Mar a total of 17 males and one female are reported to have joined the VC. All of these incidents with the exception of that of the female and one 68 year old male occurred in enemy LONG DAT District (GVN LONG DIEN and DAT DO Districts). The female and one male have since returned. At least nine of those who remain missing from LONG DAT District were members of the PSDF. Some are thought to have gone willingly and some to have been kidnapped. There have been a number of recent reports that

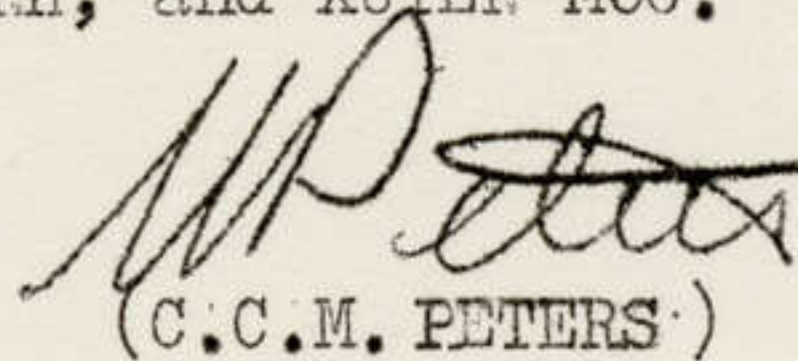
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the enemy in LONG DAT District is at present carrying out a policy of abducting youths as recruits. Three of these reports have specified the PSDF as a target for this recruiting. It is considered likely that this programme will continue.

20. A few further reports have been received suggesting that the enemy is planning a political and military high point for May, as reported in SUPINTREP 18/71, although no indication of the commencement of the high point has been observed. Possible target areas within PHUOC TUY remain the Route 2 area near DUC THANH, and XUYEN MOC.



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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 131/71.
2. Period covered from 110001H to 112400H May 71.
- Summary of Enemy Activity. There was no contact with Task Force elements.
 - a. Ground Activity.
 - (1) AO ELSIE.
 - (a) (110900H). At YS515865, 1 Pl A Coy 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) loc a previously destroyed, 2 - 3 year old bunker area running NE along the creek line for approxiamtely 250m. The camp showed signs of use as a staging area 1 - 2 weeks ago and a quantity of med supplies was loc: entry/exit was to the North, South and West. Comment: Probably used by members of CHAU DUC District Force. Docus found in same area on 25 Apr 71 (INTSUM 115/71 para 3 a (1)(a) refers) identified CHAU DUC.
 - b. Air Activity.
 - (1) Omitted
 - (2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See Annex E.
4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.
 - a, b, c, d, e. Omitted
 - f. Cumulative Totals for Month MR3.

(2 - 4), (6 - 21), (25 - 27) Omitted.	
(1) KIA 1 VC	(22) SA Rds 40
(5) Individual Weapons	(23) Grenades 12
Action 1	(24) AP Mines 6
Caches 1	
- 5, 6, 7. Omitted
8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 19/71 dated 10 May 71.
- 9, 10. Omitted
11. Miscellaneous.
 - a, b, c. Omitted
 - d. Agent Reports. See Annex C.
 - e. Omitted
 - f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.
 - (1) (111115H). At YS787711, a ptl from 36 USARV Trg Coy sighted 2 VC and engaged with mortar fire - results unknown. At 1145H, in the same vicinity, a further 6 VC were sighted while eating a meal. Enemy withdrew, route unknown but friendly tps swept SW and loc a small bunker system (NFI) at YS778705. A 1 ATF VR aircraft in the area reported several North/South and East/West tracks through the grass areas, but they were up to two weeks old. Comment: Enemy thought possibly to be from the BINH CHAU Guerillas, who are known to operate in this area.

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Annexes: A, B, D. Omitted.
C. Agent Reports.
E. Aerial Reconnaissance.

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ANNEX C TO
1 ATF INTSUM NO 131/71
DATED 11 MAY 71

AGENT REPORTS

1. Report received at LONG HUONG (V) 11 May 71, Eval VN C2, 1 ATF F3.
Source reported that the BARIA CITY Unit was to be supplied by fishermen in the area of YS353580, between 111700H and 111830H May 71. The supply party were told that if they arrived at the RV before the VC, then they were to leave the supplies at a loc approx 100 metres away in the Northern bank (Area known as TRU LONG BUSH).

ANNEX E TO
1 ATF INTSUM NO 131/71
DATED 11 MAY 71

AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE

1. Visual Recce.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
110800H	E 65-68 N 70-73

111000H	YS418871
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SIGHTING

No signs of enemy movement.

An old camp of 2 bunkers and 30 m of trench, with rear pits apparently dug in the last couple of days. A fresh track lead off to the SW and was followed until it was lost in the jungle at YS414867.

Comment: This track probably the same as seen by VR on 18 Apr 71 (INTSUM 108/71, Annex E refers) Area possibly still being used by SR 4 Rear Services to obtain resup from VIE CUONG.

YS412863

A quantity of shiny, empty food tins that appear to have been left there recently.

111245H	E 65-68 N 80-83
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No sign of recent activity.

2, 3, 4, 5. Omitted.

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1. 1st Australian Task force INTSUM No 132/71.
2. Period covered from 120001H to 122400H May 71.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were no contacts with Task Force elements.
 - a. Ground Activity.
 - (1) AO LISA.
 - (a) (121145H) at YS398854, 6 Pl B Coy 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) loc a camp consisting of 1 incompleated bunker and 5 small fireplaces. Estimated to be 2 months old and last used 1 month ago. Entry/exit points to the N, NW and S with a water point to the W
 - (b) (121300H) at YS417873, Aslt Pnr Pl 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) loc a bunker system consisting of 3 bunkers 4' x 3', 30' trench 3' x 1' and one well 30' deep. Est to be 12 months old and last used 6 months ago. Camp has been destroyed.
 - b. Air Activity.
 - (1) Omitted.
 - (2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See Annex E.
4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.
 - a. Total KIA Occuring During This Reporting Period.
 - (1) Omitted (3) Omitted.
 - (2) Aust Inflicted: 1 VC.
 - b. Omitted.
 - c. Omitted.
 - d. Omitted.
 - e. Enemy Weapons and Material Captured or Destroyed.
 - (1) Captured Weapons.
 - (a) Individual. 1 x AK47.
 - (2) Omitted.
 - (3) Captured and Destroyed Foodstuffs.
 - 25 lb rice, 15 lb peas, 9 cans condensed milk.
 - (4) Omitted.
 - (5) Omitted.
 - f. Cumulative Totals for Month - MR 3.

(1) 2 VC KIA.	(8) to (21) omitted.
(2), (3) and (4) omitted.	(22) SA rds 40
(5) Individual Wpns. Action 2. Caches 1.	(23) Grenades 12.
(6) Omitted.	(24) AP mines 6
(7) Rice Captured and Destroyed. 25 lbs.	(25) to (27) omitted.
5. Omitted.
6. Omitted.
7. Omitted.
8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 19/71 dated 10 May 71.
9. Omitted.
10. Omitted.
11. Miscellaneous.
 - a. Omitted.
 - b. Correction to Previous INTSUMS.
 - (1) INTSUM 129/71 para 11. f. (2) should read YT583234 instead of YT595222.
 - c. Omitted.
 - d. Agent Reports. See Annex C.
 - e. Omitted.
 - f. Other Items of Reporting Interest
 - (1) (120910H) at YS439629, 64 PF Pl found 2 bunkers last used 6-8 months ago. Bunkers were destroyed. The bunkers were not previously recorded by 1 ATF.
 - (2) (121620H) at YS484592, a 17 year old girl went from the HOA HOI Village to join the VC. Her uncle TRAN VAN HUONG (22 yrs old) is already a VC.
 - (3) (121845H) NGUYEN VAN PHU (32) AKA MUOISU Asst Squad Leader Postal Section CHAU DUC District Unit rallied to 626 RF compound. Rallier stated he was wounded in a recent contact. COMMENT: 1 ATF interrogation to be conducted 13 May 71.

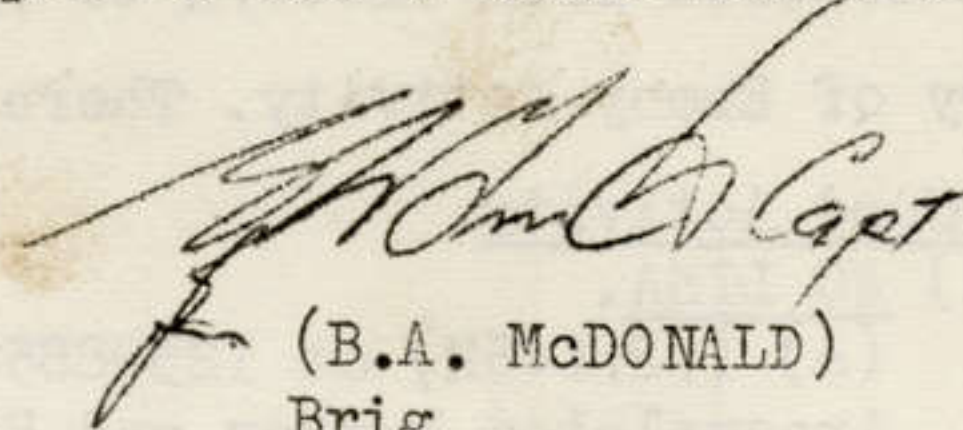
Extracts from 3 Bde 1 ACD (AM) INTSUM.

 - (4) (111045H) at YS817976 3 Bde tps loc a N-S track used by 2-3 pers in last 7 days.
 - (5) (111500H) at YS815976 3 Bde tps loc an E-W track used by 5 pers mov in both directions in last 2 hrs.
 - (6) (111648H) at YS816975 3 Bde tps contacted 1 en. Results: 1 US WIA. En withdrew W with unk losses.

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(7) (111115H) at YS816976 3 Bde tps loc a cache containing 525 lbs salt, 150 lbs rice
The food was in sandbags marked "Donated by the People of USA". Cache was 1-2 weeks
old. Area used in last 24 hrs.


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ANNEX B

CAPTURED DOCUMENTS

1. Docus captured in Northern PHUOC TUY Province on a KIA identify the body as probably a
Pl Cond of a Rear Services elm of SR4.
2. Included in the docus were \$(VN)9,300, 4 photos (one with the name CHINH-unk), a hand-
written code booklet to be used with the SG 68 radio set (unk), a food list, and a decision
promoting NGUYEN DOC SOAI of Unit 10, Section 3, Sub Region 4, from Pl 2IC to Pl Cond, signed
by TRAN VAN UT, Comd of staff Section SR 4 (1 ATF ORBAT holds UT as a member of the Cond
Committee Rear Svcs SR4) on 4 Jul 70. COMMENT: Section 3 is a Rear Svce Group. It is believed
that the body was that of NGUYEN DOC SOAI, Pl Comd Rear Svcs SR4.

ANNEX C

AGENT REPORTS

1. Agent Report received from DUC THANH 12 May 71. VN eval C1. Aust eval F3.
At 101200H May 71 approx 10 VC from NGIA GIAO Party Chapter were at YS450797. They held a
propaganda meeting praising their victories. They asked the people to supply them with food
and said they would be back soon to collect it.
2. Agent Report received from S2 Sector 12 May 71. VN eval C2. Aust eval F4.
At 111500H May about 2 Pls of VC carrying a B40 and individual weapons were loc at
YS614615 moving towards XUYEN MOC. Intentions unk.
3. Agent Report received from DUC THANH 12 May 71. VN eval C2. Aust eval F3.
At 121400H at YS440782 5 VC were sighted moving N of HUYEN Plantation. En armed with 1 x
AK47, 1 x K44, 1 x SKS and 1 carbine. They were possibly from NGAI GIAO Party Chapter.

ANNEX E

AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE

1. Visual Recce.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>SIGHTING</u>
120858H	E 33-36, N 69-72	No sign of recent activity.
121000H	E 69-72, N 69-72	No sign of recent activity.
121005H	YS385718	RAAF ac sighted 2 pers mov W who tried to avoid detection by mov into the jungle. VR ac checked the area but no sign of 2 pers was seen.
121200H	E 30-33, N 69-72	No sign of recent activity.
121400H	YS532912	A N, S, E, W track junction; used possibly in last 2-3 weeks.
	YS515921	Well defined E-W track showed signs of mov by 10 pers in the last week.
	YS515921	An E-W track running along a dried up stream showed signs of mov by 15 pers in the last 1-2 weeks.

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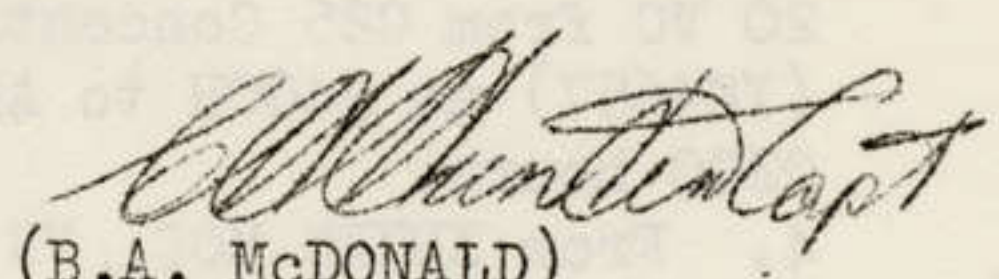
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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 133/71.
2. Period Covered from 130001H to 132400H May 71.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were no contacts with Task Force elements.
 - a. Ground Activity.
 - (1) AO GRACE.
 - (a) (Prior to 131225H). At YS557812 1 Pl A Coy 3 RAR lo and destroyed 12 "T" shaped bunkers with 12 inches OHP, not used in the last 3 - 6 months although one track in the area was approx 1 month old and there has been an attempt to reconstruct one pit in the last month.
 - b. Omitted.
4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.
 - a, b, c, d, e. Omitted.
 - f. Cumulative Totals for Month - MR3.

(2 - 4), (6), (8 - 21), (24 - 27). Omitted.	(7) Rice Captured and Destroyed 251
(1) KIA 2 VC	(22) SA Rds 40
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 - a, b, c, d, e. Omitted.
 - f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.
 - (1) Late Report. (122205H). At YS495596 Sector Forces detained the following seven females: NGUYEN THI HOA, TRAN THI MUOI, TRAN THI CHU, TRAN THI DANG, NGUYEN THI LANG, NGUYEN THI PHUNG and TRAN THI BANH. BANH was released today and other 6 VCI suspects being held at DAT DO DIOCC for questioning.
 - (2) Further to the disappearance of 6 PSDF members from HOI MY on 7 Apr 71 (INTSUM 97/71 para 11 f (3) refers). On 12 May 71 3 of these missing PSDF returned to HOI MY (YS5056) and were handed over to DIOCC and are under interrogation. The three PSDF were LY SI HUNG, PHAM VAN KIM and LE VAN DANG.
 - (3) (131650H). Near Lake BAU HAM (YS6784) aircraft sighted 5 cows. When area was flown over shortly afterwards the cows could not be sighted. Comment. Cows were also sighted in this area 20 and 24 Apr 71.

Extracts From 3 Bde (Separate 1 Cav Div (Airmobile) INTSUM.

- (1) (121215H). At YT987158 3 Bde tps targeted against HQ 33 NVA Regt sighted 2 enemy moving out of bunker system and engaged them with arty. The camp was entered at 121215H and 1 enemy was engaged resulting in 1 VC KIA. 4 enemy were then sighted 30m SSW of the camp. These were engaged resulting in 4 VC KIA. Total results, 5 VC KIA, 1 x B40 rd, 10 US first-aid packs, 200lb rice, 10 lb of fresh fish and docus were CIA. Further exploitation of the docus and bunker system were conducted 13 May with unknown results.
- (2) (131600H). At YS852850 3 Bde VR spotted 1 bunker 5 x 8ft with what appeared to be a tin roof and poncho tied to a tree. Bunker was engaged resulting in 1 x 40ft whip antenna being uncovered.


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ANNEX A TO
1 ATF INTSUM NO 133/71
DATED 13 MAY 71

INTERROGATION REPORT
RETURNEE - NGUYEN VAN PHU

Biographical Data.

1. a. Name : NGUYEN VAN PHU
b. D/POB 1939 at DUC HOA, HAU NGHIA.
c. Rank/Appt : Sect 2IC/ Commo liasion and Unit Postal.
d. Unit: Group 13, CHAU DUC (D) Unit.
e. Circumstances of return. Subject claims whilst on a resupply mission on 29 Apr his party of two were contacted by Australian troops. Subject was wounded, and was left behind by his comrades. He made his way to Route 2 where he rallied to DUC THANH Sub Sector. Comment: Subject claims that contact occurred in approx area YS5081 whilst party were moving from TAM BO to Route 2. However no 1 ATF contact took place in this area at that time. It is hoped that the details can be clarified 14 May 71.
2. The rallier gives information about the organisation of Group 13. He states that Group 13's strength is 32, which substantiates the statements of PHAM THI NGOC (INTSUMS 114 and 118/71), and also stated that another group from CHAU DUC were operating West of Route 2, under the command of HAI BAC (Held by 1 ATF as Asst Party Chapter Secretary CHAU DUC).
3. PHU stated that he has not seen or heard of any liasion with D445.
4. He also stated that Group 13 was very short of food and medical supplies and their future intentions are merely to resupply themselves. He states that CHAU DUC present location is YS550926 (Apprx). The main areas of operation for rice resupply are along Route 2 from BINH BA up to BAO BINH (YT4901).
5. Comment: The subjects answers were evasive. He gave several different stories to each question. He may be deliberately lying in his answers to some questions. The interrogation continues.

ANNEX C TO
1 ATF INTSUM NO 133/71
DATED 13 MAY 71

AGENT REPORTS

1. From Sector S2, VN B2, Aust C2, A Number of VC cadre from LONG DAT District guided by OAI (possibly VU OAI of the LONG DAT District Security Section) and LAP (possibly NGUYEN LAP cadre of LONG DAT Security Section) completed recce of XA PHUOC THO (DAT DO) on 6 May 71. The recce party (a total of three) then returned to the District Base (almost certainly in the LONG HAIs) to present a plan and request forces for an attack on PHUOC THO. (possible targets could be the PHUOC HOA LONG Village Council or the 3/578 RF Coy Post).
2. From LONG LE, VN C2, Aust F3, Five VC from the LONG HUONG Village Guerillas armed with AKs were stopping locals at YS350591 at 121500H May 71 and asking them to buy dried fish and cigarettes.
3. From Sector S2, Aust F3. A report received at LONG DAT stated that on 9 May approx 20 VC from C25 Concentrated Coy armed with K 54s and rifles moved from PHUOC TRINH Jungle (YS4657) at 2400H to AN HOA (YS4359) LONG DIEN through AN DONG (YS4659). They withdrew at 0200 hours.
4. From XUYEN MOC, VN C2, Aust F5. Information received on 9 May states that two platoons (approx 60) dressed in mixed uniforms with crew served weapons moved from NE of XUYEN MOC in the area of YS670705 and YS656717. (XUYEN MOC officials think this group has gone to the PHUOC BUU area or is on the way through there to West of XUYEN MOC).
5. From NP, VN C2, Aust F 6. Four VC from PHUOC HOA Village Party Chapter were seen in the vicinity of YS2464 on 11 May 71. They posted "NO ENTRY" signs at YS248631, YS288636, YS24763, YS249646, YS243644, YS248640, YS248653.

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ANNEX E TO
1 ATF INTSUM NO 133/71
DATED 13 MAY 71

AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE

1. Visual Recce

<u>DTG</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>SIGHTING</u>
130800H	E 72 - 75 N 75 - 78	Nil signs of enemy activity in area.
131000H	YS391792	A well worn foot track was followed along a vehicle track to YS391787, where it left the main track and passed through a clearing at YS392780. It was followed as far as YS392768. Track appears to have regular light use with at least one person using the track in the last 24 hours.
	YS396797	A track was followed East along the Southern side of a creek. Track estimated to be 1 month old.
131200H	E 64 - 67 N 78 - 81	The area shows no sign of recent use by the enemy. A number of old installations were sighted with the only usable bunker at YS656796. No fresh tracks were sighted in the area and the old woodcutter track running through old bunkers at YS658782 has not been used recently.
	YS670787	Pool in a creek which shows sign of recent activity but no tracks leading to it could be seen.
131400H	E 64 - 67 N 61 - 64	Nil signs of recent enemy activity.

2, 3, 4, 5. Omitted

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 134/71.
2. Period covered from 140001H to 142400H May 71.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were no contacts with Task Force elements.

Ground Activity.

(1) AO DEBORAH.

(a) (141000H) At YS631765, 4 Pl B Coy 3 RAR loc a base camp consisting of three bunkers 9m x 4m and one pit 6m x 3m, est to be 1½ - 2 years old and partially destroyed. Recovered were: two pairs surgical scissors, 4 ft surgical tubing and a qty of cooking utensils. Six graves with contents previously removed were found in vicinity. System destroyed. COMMENT: Complex probably used as a field dressing station. System not previously recorded.

(b) (141640H) At YS632768, B Coy 3 RAR loc 2-3 day old signs of 8-10 pers mov E on an old APC trail.

(2) AO LISA.

(a) (141400H) At YS404867 a tank from C Sqn 1 Armd Regt loc an empty, bloodstained pack left in position approx two days ago. There were drag marks in vicinity, COMMENT: Possibly one en wounded by arty. Later at YS4487 as tanks were returning they sighted 8 pers acting suspiciously. Pers quickly departed when tanks approached.

b. Air Activity.

(1) Omitted.

(2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See Annex E.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a. to e. omitted.

f. Cumulative Totals for Month - MR 3.

(1) KIA 2 VC

(2), (3) and (4) omitted.

(5) Individual Wpns.

Action 2

Caches 1

(6) Omitted.

(7) Rice Captured and Destroyed 25 lbs.

(8) to (21) omitted.

(22) SA rds 40

(23) Grenades 12

(24) to (27) omitted.

5. Omitted.

6. Omitted.

7. Omitted.

8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 19/71 dated 10 May 71.

9. Omitted.

10. Omitted.

11. Miscellaneous.

a., b. and c. omitted.

d. Agent Reports. See Annex C.

e. Omitted.

f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

(1) (141410H) At BINH BA (YS4474) MATT Team 1 received a HOI CHANH who is now held at DUC THANH. Interrogation to be carried out 15 May 71.

(2) (Night 12/13 May) VC blew up two sections of railroad track 6m at YT292087 and 20m at YT288087. RF searched area with nil results.

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INTERROGATION REPORT

RETURNEES: LE VAN DANG, PHAM VAN KIEM, LY SY HUNG

Biographical Data.

- (1) a. Name: LE VAN DANG.
b. D/POB: 1955 HOI MY, DAT DO
c. Employment: Cattle Herder.
- (2) a. Name: PHAM VAN KHIEM.
b. D/POB: 1953 HOI MY DAT DO.
c. Employment: Field Worker.
- (3) a. Name: LY SY HUNG.
b. D/POB: HOI MY DAT DO.
c. Employment: Field Worker.

Circumstances of Capture and Return.

- (4) They were captured by three VC at 0700H on 7 Apr 71, after having completed guard duty at HOI MY Committee Rooms. They were handed over to members of the LONG DAT (D) Forces and taken to the MINH DAM Mountains at approx YS478505, where they were kept in a cave system and given political instruction by a person named BA ANH (1 ATF ORBAT indicate BA ANH is the 2IC of the LONG DAT District Command Committee).
- (5) On 10 May at approx 1100H it appeared that there was no one guarding them and they were able to make good their escape, returning to HOI MY and turning themselves in.
- (6) The only info they were able to give was that while they were being held the force concerned were members of the LONG DAT (D) Unit.

ANNEX B

CAPTURED DOCUMENTS

3 Bde 1 (US) Air Cav Div (AM) (Sep)

- (1) Documents captured by 1 ACD on 6 May 71 at YT669024 give the 1971 Dry Season Plan originating from Sub Region 4, MR 7 dated 30 Mar 71.
- (2) The general context of the papers stated that from now until Sep 71, friendly (VC) forces of SR4 were to motivate the Party, the Army and the people to carry out HO CHI MINH's testament, attack enemy forces and destroy their war facilities, develop (VC) forces, frustrate the (RVN) pacification programme, increase guerilla warfare, eliminate tyrants (GVN), break down the enemy oppressive machinery, plant secret agents in enemy agencies, motivate the refugees from CAMBODIA to participate in the Revolution, consolidate the armed forces in hamlets and villages, establish spike pits and mine fields to counter sweep operations, expedite farm production, improve military proselyting activities and liquidate the BK (Special Forces) and the reactionaries to support political struggle movements in villages.
- (3) The papers went on to explain in what areas this was to take place. Those of interest to 1 ATF are: LONG DAT, CHAU DUC, XUYEN MOC and LONG SON Village, plus Catholic refugee resettlement areas (BINH GIA).
- (4) Docus also mentioned that the enemy (ARVN/FWMAF) would be concentrating his forces in CAMBODIA, which would present a good opportunity for local areas to intensify anti-pacification activities, disintegrate pacification forces and the enemy defensive system, and develop the political struggle and military proselyting movements. In rural areas, especially in LONG DAT and CHAU DUC (D), cadre and soldiers were to hold on to their areas of operation and motivate the villagers to leave (RVN resettlement centres) to return to their farms, In (rubber) plantation areas, overt cadres were to hold on to city outskirts, increase the killing of tyrants and the disruption of the PSDF, and control trade unions and overt organisations. A struggle movement was to be initiated in the urban and rural areas to demand peace and protest enemy terrorism, conscription, price hikes and social evils.
- (5) The docu stresses that recce, sapper, special action and engineer units and secret self defence forces should be used in attacks against enemy urban and rural areas, storage and war facilities, and ground and water communication lines. Along with the intensification of activities on all battlefields, subordinate units and agencies were to make every effort to consolidate rear and base areas, and protect depots, entry and exit points and communication corridors. At the same time they were to store food.

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- (6) Another docu in the batch is a letter which reads in part as follows: " On the morning of 19 Mar 71, one of four armoured vehicles driven by the Aust troops into XA BANG (rubber plantation) fell into a ditch in the strategic hamlet and two men were injured. The Australians discovered a trail used by our rear service cadre to enter this hamlet" COMMENT: C Sqn 1 Armd Regt identify the hamlet concerned as CAM MY, and agree with the reporting of this incident although no members of that unit were injured. The trail concerned runs at the back of CAM MY to the E towards an old water pump. The letter continues " As for the XUAN SON Plantation (centre of mass YS5476), the French owners have requested our (VC) permission to resume work. We have agreed and cleared the mined areas so that they can begin." COMMENT: This letter was written by SAU BUI who is the Asst Chief of the Security Sect BA LONG.

ANNEX C

AGENT REPORTS

- (1) Report received at DAT DO 12 May 71. Aust eval C2.
(120100H) 8 VC from PHUOC HOA LONG (V) guerillas guided by DUONG THI NGAU aka TUYET (chief F/E section) infiltrated HOA HOI (H) to liaise with VCI and collect supplies. Then they went to house 20/5 HOA HOI (H) and took one girl, PHAM THI TU, born 1954 and daughter of PHAM VAN DOI (deceased VC) and LE THI TAO. VC left in direction of MINH DAM secret zone via YS483580. Refer also INTSUM 132/71 para 11. f. (2)
- (2) Reference INTSUM 131/71 Annex C para 1.
(111830H) 6 VC were resupplied by boat at YS353580. Ident in the group was TU CANG, (F/E chief BARIA City Unit, Op Team Leader BARIA and Security Section Chief LONG HUONG Party Chapter).
- (3) From 525 MI Group, US F3, Aust F3.
At 110900H May 71 ten men from PHU MY Village Unit and the F/E Sect PHU MY were reported camping at YS338775.
- (4) From XUYEN MOC, VN C2, Aust C3.
The VC XUYEN MOC District have stated that in the period 17-20 May 71, people should not go to work in the SUOI CAY DA Jungle Area, vicinity YS635685, and should move out of XUYEN MOC if necessary. (At XUYEN MOC it is felt that an attack on XUYEN MOC Sector HQ or subordinate elms could be possible on 19 May 71).
- (5) From DUC THANH, VN C2, Aust F6.
At 121400H May 71, five VC moved from YS440782 to N of the HUYEN DO Plantation (YS447778) They may possibly belong to the NGAI GIAO Party Chapter.
- (6) From DAT DO, VN C2, Aust F6.
At 120920H May 71, 20 VC were sighted at YS459562. They were armed with personal wpns two B4Os, and were thought to be planning to reinforce local village units.

ANNEX E

AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE

1. Visual Recce.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>SIGHTING</u>
140800H	E 58-61, N 84-87	No significant sightings.
141200H	E 55-58, N 85-88	Only friendly tracks seen.
141400H	YS399855	Root digging holes sighted. Not very recent.
140213H	YS240670	Red Haze ac observed one sampan mov up the river
141030H	YS6757	RAAF ac observed three boats within 60m of coast. Another ac flew over and the boats put out to sea beyond the illegal distance from shore.

2., 3. and 4. omitted.

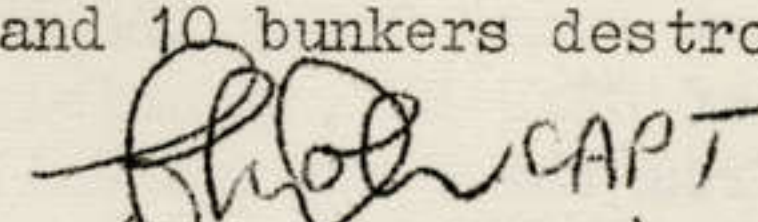
5. APD (Sniffer)

<u>DTG</u>	<u>MAXIMUM</u>	<u>STRONG</u>	<u>MINIMUM</u>
141600H	E 55-58, N 83-88		Neg readings due to gusty conditions

1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 135/71.
2. Period covered from 150001H to 152400H May 71.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were no contacts with Task Force elements.
 - a. Ground Activity.
No significant activity reported.
 - b. Air Activity.
 - (1) Omitted.
 - (2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See Annex E.
4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.
 - a, b and c Omitted.
 - d. Enemy Ammunition Expenditure.
 - (1-2) Omitted.
 - (3) 82mm Mortar 25 rds.
 - e. Omitted.
 - f. Cumulative Totals for Month - MR 3
 - (2 - 4), (6), (8 - 21) (24), (26 - 27) Omitted.
 - (1) KIA 2 VC (7) Rice Captured and Destroyed 25lbs.
 - (5) Individual Weapons (22) SA rds 40
 - Action 2 (23) Grenades 12
 - Caches 1 (25) AT Mines STET - 1
5. New Obstacles, Barriers and Fortifications.
 - a. Omitted
 - b. Enemy Emplaced Mines and Booby Traps.
 - (1) Located by Friendly Forces.
(151600H; YS455869 A Sqn 3 Cav Regt located a 15lb Chicom Anti Tank mine with firing device burnt out.
 - (2) Omitted.
- 6, 7. Omitted
8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP No 19/71 dated 10 May 71.
- 9, 10. Omitted.
11. Miscellaneous.
 - a, b, c. Omitted
 - d. Agents Reports. (See Annex C).
 - e. Omitted
 - f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.
 - (1) (150900H). At YS308552, 637 RF Coy sighted one VC in a Sampan moving SouthEast towards sea. He was engaged with SA fire with no result.
 - (2) (151410H). At DUC THANH (YS4678) a Cordon and Search operation resulted in 46 persons detained. 16 were detained as VC suspects and it is considered that some may be identified as VCI. Remaining 30 are illegal residents and they will be processed and released, probably on 16 May 71.

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- (1) (12 May 71). At YS847855, a BDA found one enemy KIA and 10 bunkers destroyed.


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ANNEX A TO
1 ATF INTSUM NO 135/71
DATED 15 MAY 71

INTERROGATION REPORTS

DETAINEE: NGUYEN - THI - RI

1. Biographical Data.

- a. Name : NGUYEN THI RI.
- b. D/POB: 1952, HOI MY (V) DAT DO.
- c. Occupation : Seamstress.
- d. Education : 1st Class (5 Years).
- e. Circumstances of Capture: The subject was arrested on 13 May 71, being a known VC, on returning from SAIGON to HOI MY (V) to visit her mother.

2. Information.

- a. Having studied tailoring for a number of months in SAIGON the subject returned to HOI MY in Jan 70 where she was conscripted by the VC, while working in the fields. She was then taken to the LANG DAI Jungle (YS5459) where she was induced to work for the VC.
- b. In Apr 70 she was sent to SAIGON to observe the situation, report information on American bases and spread propaganda amongst the PSDF in SAIGON. Another girl joined her, but the subject stated that neither of them carried out the work which they had been directed to do by the VC.

Comment: The subject as yet is not believed to be telling the truth.

FURTHER INTERROGATION

DETAINEE: NGUYEN VAN SU

Reference 1 ATF INTSUM No 135/71, Annex A, dated 13 May 71.

1. The subject has now given his name as NGUYEN VAN SU, instead of NGUYEN VAN PHU as previously reported. His alias is MUOI XU. Comment. 1 ATF ORBAT holds MUOI XU as being the OC of the CHAU DUC Postal Unit.
2. Previously the subject had stated that he had no criminal convictions, but now admits to spending 3 months in a SAIGON Goal.
3. The contact the subject claimed to have been involved in on the 29 Apr 71 on further interrogation appears to have been the contact by V Coy 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) on the 28 Apr 71 at YS510857. The subject claims that there was only himself and two others involved in the contact. He was shot in the thigh. He was deserted by his comrades and crawled for 3 days, finally reaching the TAM BO stream where he was able to fashion a pair of crutches and subsequently make his way to Route 2.
4. The subject gives an extensive organisation of CHAU DUC (D) Unit and places the total strength at 70 members. He also gives the break up of units when CHAU DUC was divided into two elements.
 - a. 1st Team: Under the command of TU HIEU (Asst Secretary of Party Committee, Political Officer of CHAU DUC, possibly District Unit Commander and also a radio specialist) was formed from the District Unit and C41 and is believed to be located within Northern PHUOC TUY in the Route 2 area (subject appears confused as to possible locs).
 - b. 2nd Team: Under command of SAU NGUYEN (Asst Party Chapter Secretary CHAU DUC) is thought to be located at area YS550930.
5. The subject stated that before 1971, the morale of the soldiers was high, but because of the recent harassment by Australian Forces, at present the majority of the soldiers are dissatisfied, and dislike going into combat operations, and continually suffer from food shortages.
6. The subject claims to have overheard in April 71 that BA LONG Province had given instructions for units to recover blind bombs to make explosives to attack vehicles on Route 2 and 15.

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 136/71 dated 16 May 71.
2. Period covered from 160001H to 162400H May 71.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were no contacts with Task Force elements.

a. Ground Activity.

(1) AO QUIVER.

(a) (161515H) At YS467906, 1 Pl V Coy 2 RAR.NZ(ANZAC) Bn loc 2 graves. 1 contained human remains, possibly three weeks old, the other was empty. Pl is still searching area.

(2) AO GRACE.

(a) (161845H) At YS579818, ac reported smoke coming through jungle canopy. At 161910H, ac reported sighting a water hole at same grid. Water hole was muddy and may have been used recently. Fresh tracks led to the West.

b. Air Activity.

(1) Omitted.

(2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See Annex E.

4. a., b., c., d. and e. omitted.

f. Cumulative Totals for Month-MR 3.

(1) KIA 2 VC.

(2), (3) and (4) omitted.

(5) Individual Wpns.

Action 2

Caches 1

(6) Omitted.

(7) Rice Captured and Destroyed. 25 lbs

(8) to (21) omitted.

(22) SA rds 40

(23) Grenades 12

(24) Omitted.

(25) A/Tk mines 1

(26) and (27) omitted.

5. Omitted.

6. Omitted.

7. Omitted.

8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP No 19/71 dated 10 May 71.

9. Omitted.

10. Omitted.

11. Miscellaneous.

a., c. and e. omitted.

b. Correction to previous INTSUMS.

INTSUM 135/71 Annex E, para 1 b. add grid reference YS584574 as loc of second fishing boat.

d. Agent Reports. See Annex C.

f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

(1) (160908H) At YS7864 Bushranger ac sighted 1 sampan 200m off the coast. At YS6757 another sampan was sighted 100m off the coast.

(2) (161015H) At YS290573, 59 and 12 RF Pls received 1 rd of B40 fire from 6 VC. At 1020H the VC withdrew North. Results: 2 PF WIA.

(3) (161020H) At YS710708 US ac reported sighting 3 pers and a truck. At YS718813 another truck was seen.

(4) (161120H) At YS717813, Possum ac reported 6 woodcutters with a truck and trailer. People were cutting wood to the N and NE of the grid.

(5) (161815H) YS4678. Ref INTSUM 135/71 para 11. f. (2), details of detainees are 30 illegal residents and 16 VCI/VCS suspects of whom 2 are probably VCI from LONG KHANH Province, 4 VC from 84 RSG, 1 VCI from BINH DUONG Province, Liaison cadre from BA LONG Province and 8 VCI from CAO SU. All are at DUC THANH undergoing interrogation

Extracts from 3 Bde (Sep) 1 Cav Div (AM) INTSUM of 14 May 71.

(1) (141030H) At YS553982, 3 Bde tps loc 1 hut, 7' x 8' with 3" thick log roof. Hut estimated to be 1 yr old and last used 3-4 months ago and in poor condition. A NW-SE track leads to the W.

(2) (141130H) At YS548984 3 Bde tps loc a 200m x 500m rice padi with new rice growing.

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ANNEX A TO

1 ATF INTSUM No 136/71

DATED 16 MAY 71

INTERROGATION REPORT
RETURNEE - NGUYEN VAN CU

1. Biographical Data.

- a. Name: NGUYEN VAN CU.
- b. AKA : TIEN
- c. D/POB: 1956 at BINH BA, DUC THANH.
- d. Rank/Appt: Soldier
- e. Unit: C4, D445 LF Bn.
- f. Circumstances of Return: Whilst the Bn was in the CA MUM Jungle (approx YS5678), the subject and another soldier named BA, threw away their wps and fled. They went to an area near the SUOI LUP stream (approx YS445765) where they remained for a number of days, food being brought to them by CU's cousin and her husband. They then went to BINH BA and asked there whether they could join the BINH BA guerillas permanently. They were told that they would have to wait until BINH BA asked BA LONG Province for a decision as to what was to be done with them. The subject stayed with the BINH BA guerillas for about 20 days when he fled once again and rallied. COMMENT: Docu captured by 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) on 20 Apr 71 at YS527879 included a letter dated 12 Mar 71 from BINH BA to BA LONG mentioning the fact that a TIEN (refer AKA) and BA were being held by them, and they asked advice as to what should be done with these two members of D445. The docu stated that TIEN and BA left D445 on 6 Mar 71.

2. Information.

- a. The subject refers to a base in PHUOC TUY used by D445 during the last move into the Province. It is situated about 500m N of BAU BAO (approx YS6983) and has been destroyed at some time by ground laid explosives.
- b. He states that when D445 moved into the CA MUM area it was under the command of HAI KHANH (Bn Political Officer) for this operation, and that SAU TU at this time was in the LONG DAT area. COMMENT: SAU THU is known to have been in the LONG HAI.
- c. CU says that D445 did not have any food shortages, as their food was supplied by BA LONG Province. Members of the Bn each carried their own food. He also states that the Bn had sufficient ammunition.
- d. The subject stated that when moving through jungle D445 does not use existing tracks but prefers to cut new ones.
- e. When asked whether CHAU DUC came into the Province to assist D445 in attacking a hamlet along Route 2, the subject stated that D445 has not at any time operated or liaised with CHAU DUC, nor did he know of any intention to do so. COMMENT: The subject departed D445 prior to Apr 71, which is the period during which it is thought that CHAU DUC moved into the Province recently. It remains possible that liaison was effected in Apr.
- f. The subject stated that in the past few months D445 had received 20 reinforcements from BA LONG, comprising both North Vietnamese and South Vietnamese.
- g. When asked whether C4 had the task of carrying ammunition and rice for the Bn, the subject stated that C4 was still a combat coy, and it was each member's responsibility to carry his own food.
- h. From CU's statements the morale of D445 would appear to be quite high. When asked in what regard the leaders of D445 were held, the subject answered as follows:
 - (1) HAI KHANH (Bn Political Offr): He was always talking and happy, a capable leader and strategist.
 - (2) SAU THU (CO D445): He was very quiet, very good to soldiers and a good fighter and strategist.
 - (3) SAU PHUONG (Asst Political Offr): He was always good to the men and a capable planner.

GENERAL COMMENT: The subject CU is quite co-operative. From his story it appears likely that the main element moved in late Feb or early Mar from NUI BE to the BAU BAO area (YS6983), and then across Route 328 to the CA MUM Jungle area (YS5678) and thence down to the SONG RAI area where the contact occurred with 1 Pl A Coy 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn on 31 Mar 71 at YS584722. CU states that throughout his own move from NUI BE to CA MUM he was in company with the main elements at least of C2, C3 and C4. The 3 RAR contact with D445 on 20 Mar (YS651787) was probably not therefore with the main element of the Battalion.

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ANNEX C TO
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DATED 16 MAY 71

AGENT REPORTS

1. From RDC LONG LE, VN eval C3, Aust F3.

Villagers may now re-enter the PHU MY Jungle to work after a 10 day restriction imposed by VC for non-payment of taxes. The people have been instructed to carry 5,000 piastre with them in either a shoe or hat. The VC nearly always appear in the PHU MY Jungle when woodcutters are working. However, they never appear when an operation is in progress.

2. From National Police, LONG LE, VN eval C2, Aust F4.

Five VC of the BARIA City Unit were sighted in a boat at YS349597 at 141400H May, where they stopped fishermen to spread propaganda and request the purchase of eight yards of nylon material. Identified were: NGUYEN HOANG HIEP, HUYHN THI KET (AKA THANH), THI MUOI PHAN. COMMENT: 1 ATF ORBAT holds HIEP as belonging to the Security Section and PHAN as cadre of the Women's Association, BARIA City. However, KET, a cook, rallied on 18 Feb 71, which casts a doubt upon this report.

ANNEX E

AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE

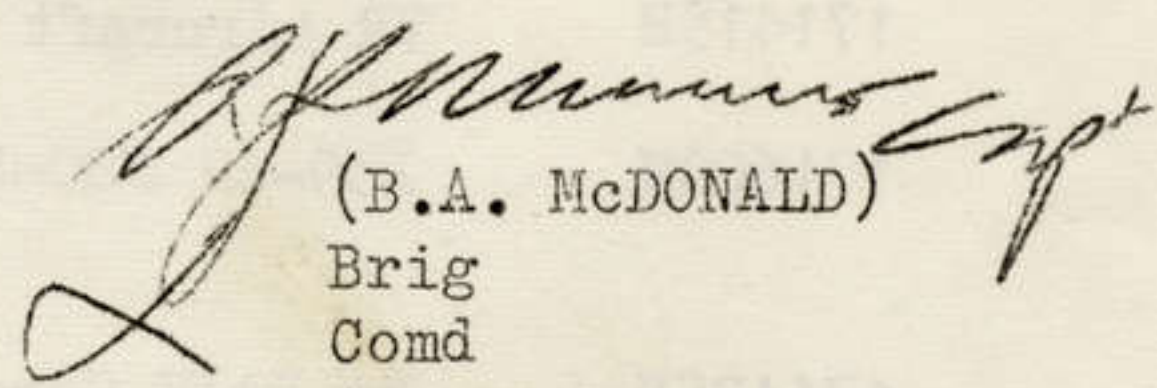
1. Visual Recce.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>SIGHTING</u>
a. 161000H	E 69-72, N 72-75	No sign of en activity.
b. 161150H	YS588575	Sighted 1 fishing boat, and two others between the grid and the mouth of the SONG RAI. Several more boats were headed towards the mouth. At 161245H a low level recce caused all the boats th leave the area. All boats had fish and nets on board.
c. 161200H	E 59-71, N 85-86	In area YS630850 some yam digging and light regular use of E/W track in that area. No other fresh signs seen. <u>COMMENT</u> : A HOI CHANH in Mar 71 stated that BAU LAM guerillas used the general area for gardening.
d. 161400H	E 47-59, N 85-86	Several old bkrs and systems were seen, all of which showed no sign of activity, except at YS592850, where approx 5 bkrs appeared to have freshly disturbed earth around them. However no tracks were seen in the area.
2. Omitted.		
3. <u>Red Haze Activity.</u>		
At 160200H there was one emission at each of the following locations: YS640753, YS644655, YS652665, YS641672, YS614783, YS627748, YS635768, YS600752, YS647800		
4. Omitted.		
5. <u>APD (Sniffer).</u>		
<u>DTG</u>	<u>MAXIMUM</u>	<u>STRONG</u> <u>MINIMUM</u>
160800H	YS558865	

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 137/71 dated 17 May 71.
2. Period covered from 170001H to 172400H May 71.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were no contacts with Task Force elements.
 - a. Ground Activity.
 - (1) AO LISA
 - (a) (170600H). At YS378864, two APC's from A Sqn 3 Cav Regt engaged one enemy who approached from the West. The enemy withdrew in an unknown direction. A sweep revealed nil results.
 - b. Air Activity.
 - (1) Omitted.
 - (2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See Annex E
4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.
 - a, b, c, d, e. Omitted.
 - f. Cumulative Totals for Month - MR 3

(2 - 4), (6), (8 - 21) (24), (26 - 27). Omitted	
(1) KIA 2 VC	(7) Rice Captured and Destroyed 25 lbs
(5) Individual Weapons	(22) SA Rds 40
Action 2	(23) Grenades 12
Caches 1	(25) A/TK Mines 1
- 5, 6, 7. Omitted
8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP No 20/71
- 9, 10. Omitted
11. Miscellaneous.
 - a, b, c. Omitted.
 - d. Agent Reports. (See Annex C).
 - e. Omitted.
 - f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.
 - (1) (151800H). At YT318093, 624 RF, 326 PF and 973 RF Coys with support elements contacted an unknown sized enemy force. Results were 6 RF KIA, 9 RF WIA, 2 PF WIA, 8 VC KIA, 3 x AK 47s and 1 B40 launcher CIA. Contact continued intermittently until 2315 hours. An air strike was called for with unknown results.
 - (2) Late Report. (170700H). On the night of 15 - 16 May 3 PF soldiers and the hamlet chief at CAM MY village were wounded by a booby trap. Villagers later saw 3 VC moving East.
 - (3) Late Report. (162122H). At YS235679, 385 RF Coy engaged one fisherman. The boat withdrew South West. (NFI).
 - (4) (AM 17 May 71). An RAAF convoy moving along Route 15, 7 miles South of LONG BINH reported that a "LAMBRO" in front of convoy stopped because of an initial explosion and then a secondary explosion. Some SA fire was heard.
 - (5) (170900H). At YS474503, 4 Coy 302 RF Bn received AK fire from enemy. Results: One RF WIA. The contact continued until 1045H when enemy withdrew North East, and was engaged by 81mm mortar and .30 cal MG fire from 302 RF Bn.
 - (6) (171810H). At YS645633 JWTC located a drum containing approx 300 rounds of assorted size SA ammunition in a decomposed container. Ammunition buried "in site".
 - (7) (171810H). At YS650633 JWTC located a bunker system consisting of 20 - 30 2xman bunkers. The system was in poor condition and had not been used for past 6 months. However tracks showed signs of recent movement.


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- Annexes: A, D Omitted.
 B. Captured Documents.
 C. Agent Reports.
 E. Aerial Reconnaissance.
 F. VC Units in 1 ATF Tactical Area of Interest.

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CAPTURED DOCUMENTS

1. Documents discovered in a bunker system in Northern PHUOC TUY Province indicate possible occupation by D445 LF Bn.
2. One document was a personal "Love" letter from a SAU YEU. Comment 1 ATF ORBAT holds a YEU as being a member of C2, D445.
3. Included were two songs, one a battle hymn, which speaks of "the American Pirates" and "bombs falling from the sky".

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DATED 17 MAY 71

AGENT REPORTS

1. From ONG TRINH, VN eval C3, Aust C3.
Villagers at ONG TRINH sighted a VC in a tree observing the hamlet on 16 May 71. At 2115 hours 2xVC attempted to infiltrate the hamlet from the NW but were engaged by the PSDF. Fire was returned by VC using an M2 carbine.
2. From National Police LONG LE, VN eval A1, Aust C3.
BUI VAN NGHI was assassinated by 2 females and 4 male VC at his home in PHU MY. NGHI was drinking with two friends and a stranger RACH DUA of VUNG TAU. The reason for his assassination is thought to be because NGAI had recently acquired a land title previously owned by HUA THI, a sister of HUA VAN CHON, aka, TAM CHON (Party Chapter Secretary of PHU MY village).
3. From National Police LONG LE, VN eval C2 Aust F3.
Six guerillas of PHUOC HOA village Unit led by DANG VAN SANG (OC and Tax collector of PHUOC HOA village unit) and F and E cadre dressed in black and armed with 1 x AK47, 3 x CKC and two carbines were sighted in a boat at HOI BAI CU, at YS223623. They stopped fishermen and asked for supplies and warned that a tax of 200 Piastres had to be paid monthly.

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AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE

1. <u>Visual Recce</u>		<u>SIGHTING</u>
<u>DTG</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	
171000H	E55-57 N86-89	No recent sign of recent movement seen in the area
171000H	E Route 2 - Route 329 N 84 - 86	No recent N - S movement seen.
171200H	E54-57 N 69-72	No fresh sign of movement seen in area.
171355H	E49-52 N80-83	1. Woodcutting evident in the West and South of area, more work appears to have taken place in the last week. 2. No fresh sign of movement seen in the area.
171415H	VR aircraft	At YS569826 sighting of a North South track 12 - 24 hours old and used by 10 - 15 persons.
171600H	E39-42 N80-84	1. Recent woodcutting at YS419806. 2. No other recent sign of movement seen in the area.
171125H	By RAAF Gunships	1. At YS714804, one yellow truck with four civilians on it. 2. At YS710800, one unattended oxcart. 3. At YS721811, one unattended logging trailer. 4. At YS712813, one yellow truck with two civilians on it. 5. At YS703809, one yellow truck with three civilians on it. 6. At YS703810, one trench 30 ft long on North side of creek.

Comment:

There is heavy activity in the area and pilot considers all tracks are made by woodcutters.

2, 3, 4. Omitted.

5. APD (Sniffer)

<u>DTG</u>	<u>MAXIMUM</u>	<u>STRONG</u>	<u>MINIMUM</u>
170930H	YS655838	YS642834	YS645835, YS650836

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VC UNITS IN 1 ATF TACTICAL AREA OF INTEREST

UNIT (a)	EST STRENGTH (b)	LOC AND DATE OF LAST IDENT (c)	CURRENT PROBABLE LOC (d)	REMARKS (e)
HQ MR 7/SVNLA	325 (excl Rear Svcs)	YS812930 4 May 71	SE of GIA RAY	
MR 7 Rear Svcs (C3)				
J 95 Tpt Bn	160			Serves Northern MR 7
J 85 Tpt Bn	430			Serves Southern MR 7
33 NVA Regt/MR 7				
HQ Elm and Sp Units	190	ZT061113 16 Feb 71	S of NUI ONG	
1 Bn	245	ZS045995 3 Dec 70	S of NUI ONG	
2 Bn	170	YT777289 23 Jan 71	SE of VO DAT	
3 Bn	185	YT594043 8 Oct 70	Southern LONG KHANH border area	
274 MF Regt/MR 7				
HQ Elm and Sp Units	360	YT316019 20 Mar 70	Northern HAT DICH and BINH SON	
1 Bn	100	YS288997 19 Mar 71	SW of XUAN LOC	
2 Bn	80	YS227877 16 Apr 71	S of HUNG NGAIA	
3 Bn	70	YS191892 3 May 71	S of BINH SON Plantation	

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
74 NVA Arty Regt/MR 7				
HQ Elm and Sp Units	125	YT287143 28 Feb 71	Northern HUE DICH	
1 Bn	110	YT264156 30 Nov 70	TAY UYEN (P)	
2 Bn	80	Y 285035 15 Apr 71	Dispersed through- out SR4	1 Coy in RSSZ
3 Bn	75	YT280090 16 Feb 71	SE U-1 (P)	
BA LONG (P) HQ/MR 7 (incl Rear Svcs)	440	YT628038 24 Apr 71	vic NUI TRANO	
445 LF Bn/BA LONG (P)				
Bn HQ and C5 Coy	68	YS5386 30 Apr 71	Southern LONG KHANH	
01	24	YS4750 30 Apr 71	LONG HAI	
02	22	YS5386 22 Apr 71	Southern LONG KHANH	
03	27	YS5386 22 Apr 71	Southern LONG KHANH	
04	18	YS5386 22 Apr 71	Southern LONG KHANH	
38 Combat Sp Coy/BA LONG (P)	60	-----	-----	
036 Sapper Recce Coy/BA LONG (P)	50	YS476973	BAO BINH Jungle	
XUAN LOC District/BA LONG (P)	155	YT5602 Feb 71	SE of XUAN LOC (V)	

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
HQ elms and C70 Conc Coy	38	YS6371		YS6263
BARIA Special Zone/BA LONG (P)				
HQ Elm and C610	36	YS3466	27 Apr 71	NUI DINH Mountains
VUNG TAU Special Zone HQ/MR7	20	YS4454		Northern LONG HAI Mountains
A 31 Eastern Sapper Unit	23	YS4454		Northern LONG HAI Mountains
A32 Western Sapper Unit	22	YS2959		North of LONG SON
SR 4 HQ/MR7	540	YS441872	5 Mar 71	HAT DICH area
D10 Sapper Bn/SR 4	245	YS020508	5 Mar 71	Northern RSSZ
D 2 LF Bn/SR 4	80	YS136872	1 Apr 71	South of BINH SON Plantation

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(PERIOD 10 MAY - 16 MAY 71)

LAOS

1. On 10 May two North Vietnamese MIG 21s intruded into Laotian airspace in an unsuccessful attempt to shoot down a USAF FAC aircraft (BIRD - DOG) operating in the vicinity of BAN BAN (US760700). It is an unusual occurrence for North Vietnamese aircraft to conduct an out of country mission.
2. A Royal Laotian Army unit was reportedly attacked by enemy tanks in the vicinity of DONG HENE during the week. An NVA PW has stated that tanks are to be used in an attack on BAN HOUAY SAI (XD4394) which the enemy regards as a most difficult objective. Previous reports have indicated that the enemy has moved 23 tanks South from SARAVANE.
3. A group of 55 Pathet Lao troops, including two Lieutenant Colonels, rallied recently at PAKSE. This group brings the total number of Pathet Lao ralliers in Southern LAOS to over 200.

CAMBODIA

4. Enemy initiated activity continued at a low level in the TOAN THANG AO. On 11 May ARVN forces engaged an enemy force near NEAK LUONG (WT295170), resulting in 13 enemy killed. Near PREY VENG (WT434527) ARVN troops killed 27 enemy and captured 10 weapons.
SOUTH VIETNAM MRS 1, 2 and 4
5. Enemy initiated activity in MR 1 remains at a low level as enemy forces concentrated on logistic and reconnaissance activities. Although the enemy has amassed considerable forces in the DMZ area of North Vietnam, there is no firm evidence to show that the impending summer campaign will be more than a normal dry season offensive South of the DMZ.
6. Vietnamese Marines launched combat assaults in South Western THUA THIEN Province near FSB VEGHEL (YD583011) on 10 and 11 May. Two of the assaults met with determined opposition. Evidence that the enemy is determined to defend his positions in spite of morale problems was provided on 12 May when enemy troops were found chained to their positions.
7. Activity in MR 2 followed the now established pattern of light attacks by fire and isolated ground probes against RF/PF elements. A PW revealed that the enemy intends to conduct operations in the vicinity of KONTUM City in the near future. A large cache of arms was discovered South of PLEIKU City (ZV223920) by ARVN elements on 12 May. The cache contained about 2 tons of arms and ammunition including TNT, anti - tank mines and mortar and B - 40 rounds. The loss of this cache coupled with the heavy casualties recently suffered by 95 B NVA Regiment (SUPINTREP 19/71) will significantly reduce the enemy's tactical capability in Southern PLEIKU Province.
8. In MR 4 attacks by fire against RF/PF and ARVN positions continued at a daily average of six. A significant contact involving ARVN and US forces with an unknown size enemy force on 12 - 13 May in KIEN GIANG Provinc. resulted in 82 enemy killed and 5 detained. Helicopter gunships destroyed 10 sampans on 11 May (808175) and a USN aircraft attacked a 40 foot sampan which exploded (at VR817327). The sampan was estimated to be capable of carrying between 4 and 10 tons of cargo.

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Enemy Activity

9. Enemy initiated activity remained at a low level. ARVN troops on road security operations near PHUOC NINH (XT057453) were attacked with small arms, automatic weapons and B - 40 fire. The contact resulted in 5 friendlies killed and 3 wounded, while the enemy lost 9. The enemy may have been elements of 8 NVA Sapper Battalion.
10. There were no terrorist activities reported in SAIGON during the week.
11. HQ TRAC continues to estimate an upsurge in enemy activity on or about 19 May.

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12. There were two contacts involving 1 ATF troops during the week. One enemy was killed. Sector forces were involved in four contacts. Two PF members were wounded. 36 USARV Trg Coy had one contact (YS787711), with no known result. Two HOI CHANHs rallied to Sector

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forces, and a cordon and search in the COURTENAY area resulted in 16 suspects detained.

Enemy Unit Identification and Locations

13. D445

a. The main element of D445 is believed still to be in Southern LONG KHANH near the Route 2 border area. SAU THU, the Battalion Commander, and C1 Company are believed still to be in the LONG HAI.

b. On 14 May a soldier from C4 Coy D445 rallied to Sector forces at BINH BA (YS4474).

He is able to offer no information on recent activities of D445 because he departed the unit on 6 Mar and had been held in custody by the BINH BA guerillas while a decision was awaited from BA LONG Province as to what action was to be taken regarding him.

14. 3 Bn 33 NVA Regt is also believed to be in the Southern LONG KHANH border area.

15. CHAU DUC

a. Two recent ralliers (INTSUM 114, 118, 133 and 135/71 Annex B) have stated that CHAU DUC District Headquarters and Unit totals approximately 70. The command group, known as Group 13 includes C41 Concentrated Company and numbers approximately 32. It is also located in the Northern Province border area just East of the COURTENAY Rubber Plantation. It may have been an element of Group 13 which was contacted at least five times by 2 RAR/ NZ(ANZAC) Bn troops in the NUI LE/NUI SAO area in Apr. One rallier states that a second group is inside the Province in the Northern Route 2 area but he is uncertain as to the location.

b. Agent reports suggest that a third small group could possibly be in the PHU MY area.

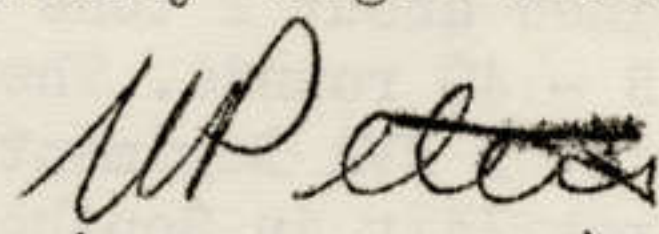
16. A document captured by 2RAR/NZ(ANZAC) troops near Route 2 (YS471862) on 10 May identifies a member of the element of the former D65 Engineer Battalion which has been attached to BA LONG and has been carrying out mining in the COURTENAY area East of Route 2.

17. A member of Sub - Region 4 Rear Services was killed by a 1 ATF patrol in the Northern area of the Province.

18. LONG DAT. Three more of the seven PSDF members who disappeared from HOI MY on 7 Apr (SUPINTREP 15/71) have returned. They state that they were detained in a cave by LONG DAT District Forces on NUI CHAU VIEN (at YS478505).

Enemy Capabilities and Intentions

19. There is still no indication of the commencement of a high point in the Province. However several more reports have been received suggesting that the enemy intends celebrating HO CHI MINH's birthday (19 May) with a political and military effort of some sort on or about that day. 3 Bn 33 Regt, the main element of D445 and CHAU DUC are all located in an area from which an effort could be made against a territorial post in the Northern Route 2 area, which has been specified in a number of reports as a likely target area. Another possible target remains XUYEN MOC.


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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 138/71 dated 18 May 71.
2. Period covered from 180001H to 182400H May 71.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity: There was one contact with Task Force elements.

a. Ground Activity.

(1) AO ELSIE.

(a) (180020H) At YS492874, 3 Pl V Coy 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) Bn engaged an est 1-2 en mov from E to W. A fire fight ensued and the en withdrew in an unk direction. A sweep was conducted at 0115H and a further sweep at first light revealed no res.

(2) Other Areas.

(a) (prior to 181640H) At YS460848 a ptl from FSB JANE loc an unexploded 105mm HE shell which had no fuze and looked as if it had been carried to this loc, possibly to be later fused and set up as a booby trap. Destroyed.

(3) AO HEATHER.

(a) (181901) At YS538667 5 Tp C Sqn 1 Armd Regt loc ox cart tracks 3-4 days old mov E-W. Also loc at YS563659 a bunker system consisting of 3 fighting pits approx 12 months old.

b. Air Activity.

(1) Omitted.

(2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See Annex E.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a., b., c., d. and e. omitted.

f. Cumulative Totals for Month - MR 3.

(1) KIA 2 VC

(2), (3) and (4) omitted.

(5) Individual Wpns.

Action 2

Caches 1

(6) Omitted.

(7) Rice Captured and Destroyed. 25 lbs.

(8) to (21) omitted.

(22) SA rds 40

(23) Grenades 12

(24) AP mines 1

(26) and (27) omitted.

5. Omitted.

6. Omitted.

7. Omitted.

8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 20/71 dated 17 May 71.

9. Omitted.

10. Omitted.

11. Miscellaneous.

a., b. and c. omitted.

d. Agent Reports. See Annex C.

e. Omitted.

f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

(1) (181145H) At YS233738, 252 RF Coy contacted an en party of five (3 female, 2 male). The en withdrew W. Results: One en WIA and captured. One RF WIA. Captured were: 50 kilos rice, qty docs which included names of PSDF and diagrams of compounds 1 x M1 carbine. PW is ident as THAI THUAN, member of PHU MY Farmers Association (1 ATF ORBAT holds him as member of Party Chapter and of F/E Sect), age 50. He was shot in the buttocks. Presently in 1 Aust Fd Hosp in operating theatre. Team to interrogate on 19 May.

(2) (172400H) At YS424605 an unk sized group of VC captured 4 PSDF soldiers and 2 civilians from LONG LIEN Hamlet. VC ident not yet known. Villagers saw VC and more info regarding VC ident could be available at a later date.

(3) Ref INTSUM 135/71 para 11. f. (2) (16 detained at DUC THANH as VC suspects).

Identified are the following: (a) PHUNG THI TY:- Labour Party Leader. (b) CAO THI LOI:- CAO SU Communist Liaison Offr. (c) HO THI NHAN:- CAM MY NGAI GIAO Liaison Offr.

(d) LE THI VUNG:- VCI CAM MY NGAI GIAO. (e) NGUYEN THI CAM:- Sup org VIET CUONG.

COMMENT: These people are on the LONG KHANH black list. There is no proof or evidence as yet to convict them. The police intend to interrogate them further. The remaining 11 are not recorded on any black list in LONG KHANH. However all are being subjected to a further check.

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Annexes:

- B. Captured Documents.
- C. Agent Reports.
- D. Aerial Reconnaissance.

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ANNEX B TO
1 ATF INTSUM No 138/71
DATED 18 MAY 71

CAPTURED DOCUMENTS

3 Bde (Sep) 1 (US) Cav Div (AM)

1. A letter captured by 1 ACD at YT669024 on 6 May 71 identified the writer as SAU BUI (Asst Chief of Security Sect BA LONG).
2. The letter mentioned 13 Feb 71 as a date on which Aust troops raided the base camps of CAM MY Village (Unit), Province Rear Svcs Sect (Rear Svc Gp) 84, and A-239 (possibly Rear Svcs of SR 4), forcing the author and his associates to move out of their area of operations. The temporary shelter area (of the VC) was later attacked by the en (FWMAF) and the VC had to move to another area. COMMENT: This possibly refers to the finding of a bunker system by 3 Pl V Coy 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) at YS514878 at 131030H Feb 71. (INTSUM 44/71 para 3. a. (1) (a) refers).
3. On 15 Feb 71, friendly personnel (VC) of an engr base camp near CAM MY Village (possibly elms of the disbanded D65 Engr Bn) fired B-40 and B-41 rds, destroying almost one Aust B (platoon). Friendly (VC) forces sustained 3 personnel KIA including a guerilla of CAM MY Village (Unit). COMMENT: 1 ATF has been unable to identify this reported incident. However no platoon was destroyed.
4. Aust troops frequently enter TAN VIET NAM (YS464857) and VIET CUONG Rubber Plantation (centre of mass YS428884) to protect a blocking position on CON RAN Mountain (poss YS450904) SA BANG (XA BANG) Rubber Plantation (YS4685) has two entry and exit points operated by the Province Rear Svc Sect and (Rear Svc Gp) 84. There has been much trouble between the Province Rear Svc Sect and (VC officials of CAM MY) Village concerning trading at the above entry and exit points.

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AGENT REPORTS

1. MSS Agent report received DAT DO. Eval VN C3, 1 ATF F4 on 18 May 71.
At 181300H at YS525627 eleven VC were sighted. NFI.
2. MSS Agent report received DAT DO. Eval VN C2, 1 ATF F4 on 18 May 71.
At 171400H at YS529651 twenty VC were seen.
3. Eval 1 ATF F3.
Source stated that on 5 May he heard SAU SUONG (2IC CHAU DUC District Unit Command Committee) say that as at 6 May "sapper recce of C3 D445" are operating around the hamlets of BINH BA and NGAI GIAO Village. They intend to carry out a sapper attack upon DUC THANH between that time and 19 May. The VIET CUONG supply point is reported to be very active in supplying food for SR 4, and relatives in the VIET CUONG and CHAU LAC (YS4505) Plantation are storing food for the VC. COMMENT: The reference to "sapper recce of C3 D445" would be a reference to 036 Sapper Recce Unit (str 50) which incorporates the former C3 D445. See also following agent report.
4. Agent report from DUC THANH. Eval VN C2. 1 ATF F3 on 18 May.
At 181100H at YS480780 ten VC of the BINH BA Party Chapter appeared. It was disclosed by one of the VC that BINH BA Party Chapter plus C36 Coy are to attack or "shell" a military post in DUC THANH District on HO CHI MINH's birthday (19 May). COMMENT: There have been many recent reports of a coming possible attack in DUC THANH District, as stated previously.

ANNEX E

AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE

1. Visual Recce.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>SIGHTING</u>
181400H	E 48-51, N 82-85	No sign of recent mov in the area.
181000H	E 63-66, N 82-85	No sign of recent mov in the area.
181210H	E 54-57, N 86-89	No sign of recent mov in the area.

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YS252421

Observed a tree branch laid across Route 15 with 3 pers (dressed in similar manner to PF) in vicinity. As ac circled the area the pers were joined by 5 others who cleared the block and moved S along the hwy.

180800H

E 40-43, N 84-87

During the flight along Route 23 at 0700H the little traffic noticed was all moving W from XUYEN MOC. All traffic from DAT DO was halted at the E gate of the town. Normally traffic from DAT DO is mov along the road by 0630H.

At YS403867 is the tallest tree in the area. On either side of the tree is tied a 40' green bamboo pole with smaller lengths extending to the top of the tree. Thick undergrowth shielded the surrounding area but there had been recent mow around the base of the tree. It looked poss like an aerial. However, tps of 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) examined area and concluded it may be a honey collection device of Montagnard origin. COMMENT: In area of bloodstained pack found 14 May by C Sqn 1 Armd Regt.

- 2. Omitted
- 3. Red Haze Activity

172300H - 180102H May 71.

YS289898	1 near stream
YS293889	1 near road
YS302895	1 along trail
YS308868	1 near stream
YS307833	1 in open
YS318869	1 in open
YS319837	1 in open
YS329808	1 in open
YS337825	4 in open
YS332812	1 in open
YS335803	2 in open
YS340819	1 near stream
YS350833	1 in open
YS554895	1 near road
YS590894	1 in open
YS314785	2 in open
YS360784	1 in open
YS368744	1 in open
YS380773	8 in open

COMMENT: There have been a number of agent reports suggesting BINH BA Guerillas are in the general area

YS433779	2 near stream) <u>COMMENT:</u> Rubber S of BINH GIA. TOBA reported camp fire and 6 people in this area 7 Apr and Police veh was fired upon from the approx area 9 May (YS456755)
YS459750	1 near road	
YS463755	2 near stream	
YS469759	1 in open	

YS485770, YS482750	1 in open
YS483745, YS510769	1 in open
YS580795, YS580786	1 in open

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- 4. Omitted.
- 5. APD (Sniffer).

<u>DTG</u>	<u>MAXIMUM</u>	<u>STRONG</u>	<u>MINIMUM</u>
180800H	YS646818	YS640812	YS646837
	YS646815	YS640810	YS640820
	YS652809	YS640808	YS650825
	YS652806	YS645812	YS651813
		YS650810	YS665812
		YS652804	

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 139/71.
2. Period covered from 190001H to 192400H May 71.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There was one contact with Task Force elements.

a. Ground Activity.

(1) AO DESMONDE.

(a)(191145H). At YS284743, C Coy 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) Bn found a triangular shaped bunker system of seven bunkers 6 x 2 x 3 ft with 1½ ft OHP. Entry/exit points to West, South and NorthEast. The system was approx one year old and in good condition having been renovated in past two months. Estimated to have been used in preceding three weeks. Recovered were: Four M - 79 explosive heads, six M - 16 mags, six black canvas boots and a quantity of C rations and VC rations. Items were disarmed and buried.

(b)(191215H). At YS289750, 8 Pl C Coy 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) Bn found one CBU (US origin) weighing one lb set for cmd electric detonation. The mine was set on a track which appeared to be associated with a known mine position 6 - 12 months old.

(2) AO QUIVER.

(a)(181800H) Late Report. At YS459915, 1 Pl V Coy 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) Bn found a 105mm artillery shell with pressure electric firing device set up as a booby trap.

(3) AO LISA.

(a)(191120H). At YS440856, a tank from C Sqn 1 Armd Regt found a tunnel system. A pressure release practice mine was found in tunnel. (INTSUM 56/71 para 3 (a)

(1) records a tunnel at this approx location and the recovery of three old rifles in a tunnel.)

(4) AO HEATHER.

(a)(181600H) Late Report. At YS563659, C Sqn 1 Armd Regt located a rest area 20x30 metres, circular in shape with three "L" shaped pits. Entry/exit from NorthEast and SouthWest. The complex was 12 months old and was last used six months ago.

(b)(192000H). At YS540625, a tank from C Sqn 1 Armd Regt observed one oxcart moving North on a track.

b. Air Activity.

(1) Omitted

(2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See Annex E.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a. Total KIA Occuring During This Reporting Period.

(1, 3) Omitted.

(2) Aust Inflicted 4 VC

b, c, d. Omitted.

e. Enemy Weapons and Material Captured or Destroyed.

(1) Captured Weapons

(a) Individual 2

(b) Crew Served Nil

(c) Breakdown 1 x AK47, 1 x M16.

(2) Captured and Destroyed Material.

(a) Omitted.

(b) Destroyed. M 79 explosive heads 4

(3) Omitted.

(4) Captured Documents. See Annex B.

(5) Omitted.

f. Cumulative Totals for Month MR 3.

(1) KIA 6 VC

(5) Individual Weapons.

Action 4

Caches 1

(2 - 4), (6), (8 - 21), (25 - 27). Omitted.

(7) Rice Captured or Destroyed. 25 lbs

(22) SA Rds 40

(23) Grenades 12

(24) AP Mines 3

5. New Obstacles, Barriers and Fortifications.

a. Omitted.

b. Enemy Emplaced Mines and Booby Traps.

(1) Destroyed by Friendly Forces.

181800H

191215H

AT MINES

AP MINES

One at YS289750

BOOBY TRAPS

One at YS459915

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- (2) Omitted.
- 6, 7. Omitted.
8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP No 20/71 dated 17 May 71
- 9, 10. Omitted.
11. Miscellaneous.
- a. Omitted.
 - b. Correction to Previous INTSUMS.
Reference INTSUM No 138/71 Annex E VR of 180615H. Amend Grid Reference to YS252721.
Reference INTSUM No 138/71 Annex E para 3 item 19. Comment refers to two returns at YS433779.
 - c. Omitted.
 - d. Agent Reports. See Annex C.
 - e. Omitted.
 - f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.
 - (1)(16 May 71). Late Report. At YS721811, four VC of XUYEN MOC (V) Party Chapter F and E Sect captured a timber truck containing two civilians. The truck and occupants were released on 18 May 71 and the occupants returned to XUYEN MOC to collect \$SV 50,000 tax for payment to the VC, leaving the trailer in the area. The truck and civilians left XUYEN MOC on 19 May 71 before NP could apprehend them.
Comment. 1 ATF INTSUM 137/71 VR reports an abandoned logging trailer in general area of this report. VR 19 May 71 found trailer to be in same general location.
Items from 3 Bde (Sep) 1 (US) Cav Div (AM).
 - (2)(171240) At YS661984, 3 Bde tps found two 1 man bunkers 2x4x4 ft used in last month, which were destroyed.
 - (3)(170905H). At YS836970, 3 Bde tps in ambush observed one logging truck loaded with personnel moving South.
 - (4)(171100H). At YS838940, 3 Bde tps found a 10 ft wide East/ West logging road with recent use in previous two days by two persons moving East.
 - (5)(171230H). At YS858945, 3 Bde tps found a ten inch wide trail with use in previous two days and one VC type latrine.
 - (6)(171440H). At YS854982, 3 Bde tps heard several carbine shots 400 metres to NorthEast and heard wood chopping 600 metres SouthWest. The area was checked with negative result.
 - (7)(171615H). At YS822957, 3 Bde tps found a six ft wide logging trail with use in previous 24 - 48 hours by 2 - 6 persons moving South.

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- Annexes: A. Interrogation Reports.
B. Captured Documents.
C. Agent Reports.
D. Omitted,
E. Aerial Reconnaissance.

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ANNEX A TO
1 ATF INTSUM NO 139/71
DATED 19 MAY 71

INTERROGATION REPORT
PW - THAI VAN THUAN

Biographical Data.

1. a. Name: THAI VAN THUAN.
- b. D/POB: 1917, BEN TRE, AN HOA, TRUC GIANG.
- c. Rank/Appt: Cell leader of Farmer's Association Cell.
- d. Unit: PHU MY Village Guerillas.
- e. Circumstances of Capture: The subject was wounded and subsequently captured on 18 May when he and three others were on their way to an area close to TRANG BA TRANH.

Information.

2. The prisoner states strength of the PHU MY Party Chapter and Village Unit is 20 and they are located in the vicinity of YS337779. (1 ATF ORBAT also holds the PHU MY strength at 20) An alternative unit location is in the area of the SONG XOAI River at YS367765.
3. At the present time PHU MY Village purchases food at PHUOC THAI Village (THAI TIEN, YS235788), and stores the rice in a cache in the area of YS215755.
4. Subject stated that members of the former D65 on occasions had come to the PHU MY Village Unit base camp, and that about 30 men from D65 (probably C2 D65 Engineer Bn) were operating in the PHUOC THAI Jungle.

ANNEX B TO
1 ATF INTSUM NO 139/71
DATED 19 MAY 71

CAPTURED DOCUMENTS

1. Documents captured in the Northern Province border area after a contact in which there were 4 VC KIA, possibly indicate bodies may have belonged to members of 274 VC Regt. However, no positive identification can be made.
2. The documents were three personnel letters:
 - a. One from PHUOC (possibly works in a dispensary) to ANH NAM who had been previously seriously wounded. (PHUOC possibly belongs to a C3 Coy D1 Bn). Comment: 1 ATF holds two D1 Bn's : D445 and 1 Bn 274 VC Regt. However, as the area which the 4 VC were killed is within 274 Regt normal AO, but not within D445's it is possible that the D1 referred to in this case is 1 Bn 274 VC Regt.
 - b. Another personal letter from NGIEM to ANH NGA mentioning BINH, DOANH, YEN and TIEN (All unknown). On the reverse side is a note from MINH to TAM. Comment: The names cannot be positively identified.

104 Fd Bty.

3. Document captured by 104 Fd Bty, on 18 May 71 at YS459851, is a propaganda booklet speaking about the fight against the American invaders and the puppet troops (ARVN) invading LAOS. Printed at PHAN VAN MING dated Feb 71.

ANNEX C TO
1 ATF INTSUM NO 139/71
DATED 19 MAY 71

AGENT REPORTS

1. From Sector S2 eval C3. 1 ATF F3. On 17 May 71 at 0900H a group of VC sappers from CHAU DUC District together with PHU MY Village Guerillas were recorded moving from area SUOI THI VAI (YS2473) NorthWest passing through YS236748. Strength 16, armed with one pistol, one RPG - 2, five AK-47 with remainder armed with CKC or carbines. They were dressed in khaki and black uniforms with cloth hats and rubber sandals. Each man carried approx one litre of rice. Possible Intentions. This group of CHAU DUC Sappers is to co-operate with PHU MY Guerillas to assassinate GVN officials and to attack village and hamlet offices. Comment. There have been several recent reports suggesting that a small group from CHAU DUC may be in the PHU MY area.
2. Agent Report received from DUC THANH 19 May 71, VN eval C2, Aust eval F3. At 181100H May 71, approx 10 VC of BINH BA Party Chapter appeared at YS480730. 1 VC disclosed that they will have C36 Coy in support and will attack military bases in the DUC THANH District to celebrate HO CHI MINH's birthday. Comment. The current loc of C36 is unknown. However,

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there have been several reports that this org may conduct an attack against vulnerable targets in DUC THANH. 1 ATF ORBAT holds 6 only as the BINH BA Party Chapter.

ANNEX E TO
1 ATF INTSUM NO 139/71
DATED 19 MAY 71.

AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE

1. Visual Recce.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>SIGHTING</u>
190800H	Area E66 - 68 N76 - 80	No fresh sign in area.
191000H	Area E62 - 66 N76 - 78	No fresh sign in area.
	YS715805	Damaged logging trailer. A well used track was followed to YS709835 which is the furthest extent of logging activity.
191200H	Area E56 - 59 N86 - 89	No fresh signs in area.
191230H	Area E65 - 68 N63 - 66	No sign of movement observed.
	YS650624	Old known route from East to grid had no sighting
191400H	YS438810	Track heading North/South through clearing had been used by 15 - 20 persons in preceding 2 - 3 days.
	YS436815	Foot tracks running East/West along one side of APC track 2 - 3 days old.

2, 3, 4. Omitted.

5. APD (Sniffer).

<u>DTG</u>	<u>MAXIMUM</u>	<u>STRONG</u>	<u>MINIMUM</u>
190900H	YS665830		

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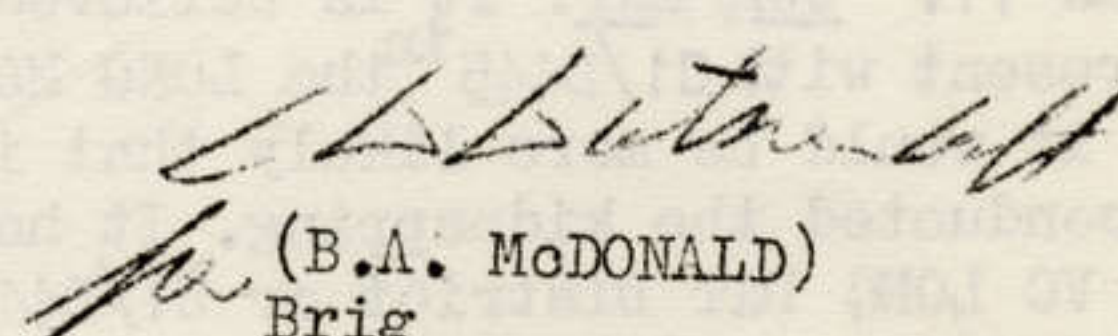
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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 140/71 dated 20 May 71.
2. Period Covered from 200001H to 202400H May 71.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There was one contact with Task Force elements.
 - a. Ground Activity.
 - (1) AO LISA.
 - (a) (201530H) At YS373742 an elm of SHQ C Sqn 1 Armd Regt eng 1 en armed with an unidentified wpn. En wdr NE and due to terrain could not be followed.
 - b. Air Activity.
 - (1) Omitted.
 - (2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See Annex E.
4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.
 - a., b., c., d., and e. omitted.
 - f. Cumulative Totals for Month-MR 3.

(1) KIA	6 VC.	(7) Rice Captured and Destroyed.	25 lbs.
(2), (3) and (4)	omitted.	(8) to (21)	omitted
(5) Individual Wpns.		(22) SA rds	40
Action	4	(23) Grenades	12
Caches	1	(24) AP mines	3
(6) Omitted.		(25), (26) and (27)	omitted.
5. Omitted.
6. Omitted.
7. Omitted.
8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 20/71 dated 17 May 71.
9. Omitted.
10. Omitted.
11. Miscellaneous.
 - a., b., c. and e. omitted.
 - d. Agent Reports. See Annex C.
 - f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.
 - (1) (Prior to 200135H). At VUNG TAU (YS2744) NP reported that a US gren with VC blasting cap was found hooked to a VN jeep outside a restaurant. The NP disarmed the gren with no casualties.
 - (2) Late Report. (192140H). At YS503568 576 RF Coy eng four VC who approached AP from the rear. Contact broken at 192330H when en wdr NE. Results: 1 RF WIA. Sweep conducted morning 20 May 71 with nil results. COMMENT: En gp believed possibly to be an elm of C25 LONG DAT.
 - (3) Further to detaining of 16 pers at DUC THANH on 15 May (INTSUM No 135/71 para 11. f. (2) refers) 10 are to be released due to lack of evidence with a further 4 possibly to be released. 2 to be held. Further info to follow.

Extracts from 3 Bde (Sep) 1 Cav Div (AM) INTSUM.

- (1) (191300H). At YS854937 3 Bde tps loc camp consisting of 15 huts 20' x 10' x 15' (partially completed) and 10 bunkers 8' x 5' x 4' with 2' OHP which had not been used in the last month.
- (2) (191745H). At YS854941 3 Bde tps loc an E-W track with good air cover but no recent use.


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Annexes : B. Captured Documents
 C. Agent Reports
 E. Aerial Reconnaissance

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CAPTURED DOCUMENTS

1. Documents taken from PW THAI VAN THUAN, a member of PHU MY Farmer's Association (INTSUM No 138/71 refers), on 18 May 71 by 3/252 RF Coy, originate mainly from CHAU DUC Party Chapter and deal with matters concerning PHU MY personnel.
2. Included are party membership certificates, various directives, training lessons, proposals, propaganda letters, receipts, taxation booklets, note books dealing with various matters, a fighting plan against the GVN's "Strategic Hamlet" (possibly PHU MY), various reports, personal histories, lists of names of CHAU DUC and PHU MY personnel, applications for party membership, assignment decisions, a death announcement, letters of condolence and a form for placing sentence of death upon people working for the GVN.
3. Of interest were introductions, signed in Feb 71 for the following people to work in PHU MY Village: HUE, SAU CHAU, NAM HAI (CHAU DUC FE cadre). COMMENT: It seems possible that these people could be working in the PHU MY area on liaison tasks for CHAU DUC.

ANNEX CAGENT REPORTS

1. On 18 May at 0115H VC infiltrated AN PHUOC (H) AN NGAI (V) at YS445583 (point of entry) and AN HOA (H) YS440594. They then moved to LONG PHUONG (H) LONG DIEN (YS435597). The VC painted out GVN flags on the houses and dropped leaflets. They infiltrated and exfiltrated from the South.
2. On 16 May at 0200H barbed wire at the rear of the village at TAM PHUOC (YS452583) was cut, presumably to allow infiltration into the village.
3. Agents from TAM PHUOC (YS452583) report that the VC who are infiltrating into the village are in the area of YS448572. 1 ATF eval F3.
4. On 17 May at 2300H 1 squad of VC led by LE VAN AN (PCS AN NHUT (V)) infiltrated AN NHUT (V) at YS463597. They infiltrated and exfiltrated from the North.
5. Received from PHUOC HAI. Eval 1 ATF F3.

At 192300H 3 VC infiltrated HAI AN Hamlet YS517534, spread propaganda and advised PSDF members not to mount guard at night. VC ident as TRUONG VAN HON aka BE DU (PCS PHUOC HAI), TRAN VAN OM aka SON (guerilla leader PHUOC HAI) and DONG VAN THANH (Security Sect leader PHUOC HAI). The VC wdr at 200400H to the NE and are believed to be in area YS538552.

6. Received from PHUOC THANH. Eval 1 ATF F4.

At 200230H an unk number of en from PHUOC THANH Party Chapter infiltrated PHUOC THANH (YS4860) and spread propaganda leaflets. It is believed they infiltrated from YS453615 and wdr to the NE.

CONCLUSION: The infiltration into AN NHUT apparently came from the North which is unusual for the district and possibly suggests that a VC base camp is in an area where the VC are not usually reported.

7. Received from PRU 20 May 71. Nil VN eval. Aust eval F3.

The VC who conducted the kidnapping of 4 PSDF soldiers and 2 civilians from LONG LIEN Hamlet (YS423605) on 17 May 71 (refer INTSUM 138/71, para 11. f. (2)) are thought to have been members of the Recce Pl D445. The group comprised 28 VC who were armed with 2 x RPD, 2 x RPG2 (B40) and personal weapons. The VC group left the MINH DAM area (YS4750) and moved into LONG LIEN (H). The PSDF members were anti-VC and had been marked for kidnapping in Jan 71. COMMENT: It is believed that only a small group from the Recce Pl (approx 5) is present with C1/D445 in the LONG HAIS. If the number of 28 VC is presumed to be accurate then it would be more likely that it was the whole of C1/D445 and elms of the recce sect who conducted the kidnapping. It has not been firmly established whether it was members from VC LONG DAT District or C1/D445. Both organisations have conducted kidnapping forays in the past.

8. Received from Sector S2. Eval 1 ATF F4.

A unit of DOAN 10 (Sapper Bn SR4) was loc at YS274734. The unit has a strength of 45, is led by NAM THAN and QUAT and is armed with 4 x B40, 3 x MMG, 1 x HMG, individual wpns and 1 x ANPRC 25 set. Possible intentions to attack PHU MY (YS2574) or to carry out acts of terrorism. COMMENT: In BIEN HOA Province there is at present some doubt as to the loc of DOAN 10. There is as yet no evidence to support this suggestion that the unit has moved into PHUOC TUY. Strength of DOAN 10 is believed to be 245. However it has taken high cas in recent months e.g. 27 KIA 26 Nov at YS2279 (INTSUM 330/70) and its morale is probably low. The report is considered doubtful at this stage.

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9. Received from PRU. Eval 1 ATF F4.

At 181900H C4/D445, strength 40, led by SAU LAC (OC C4/D445) were reported to be at YS606664. Agent states that they were armed with individual and crew served wpns. COMMENT: A group from D445 could have been detached from the main body in the Northern Province border area and could have moved to the XUYEN MOC area. However, further info is required before the report can be considered at all likely.

10. Received from DUC THANH.

At 201515H 2 VC kidnapped NGUYEN THI HUYNH from BINH BA Rubber Plantation. Area of kidnapping believed to be YS468754.

ANNEX E

AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE

1. Visual Recce.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>SIGHTINGS</u>
200730H	E 50-53, N 82-85	Nil signs of en activity.
200930H	YS628881	10-15 cows moving NE.
201200H	E 60-63, N 84-87	Nil signs of en activity.
201400H	E 59-62, N 66-68	Nil signs of en activity. Woodcutters have been operating in SE portion of area within the last month.

2. Omitted.

3. Red Haze Activity.

200300H to 200520H May 71.

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>READOUT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>READOUT</u>
YS505755	1 in open	YS694745	4 in open
YS505547	1 in open	YS540670	1 in open
YS506723	1 along stream	YS656620	1 near road
YS502714	1 near stream	YS640660	7 along road
YS554770	2 on trail	YS642604	1 near trail
YS560770	2 on trail	YS650664	1 near road
YS614789	1 in open	YS656663	2 in open
YS618773	1 in open	YS650634	1 near stream
YS630743	1 near stream	YS730661	10 around point
YS695770	1 along trail		

4. Omitted.

5. APD (Sniffer).

200900H May 71.

STRONG

YS652797
YS652795
YS653788
YS658799
YS658797
YS658796
YS658795
YS658791
YS658788

MINIMUM

YS643804
YS643795
YS648785
YS652803
YS652801
YS652798
YS653790
YS650780
YS673764
YS673772
YS672792
YS687801

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 141/71 dated 21 May 71.
2. Period Covered from 210001H to 212400H May 71.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were nil contacts with Task Force elements.
 - a. Ground Activity.
 - (1) AO MONA.
 - (a) (211245H) at YS483830, 1 Tp A Sqn 3 Cav Regt heard 4 single shots 500 - 1000 metres SouthWest of their location. At 211300H a further 10 single shots were heard from the same general area.
 - b. Air Activity.
 - (1) Omitted.
 - (2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See Annex E.
4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.
 - a, b, c, d, e. Omitted.
 - f. Cumulative Totals for Month MR - 3.
 - (2 - 4), (6), (8 - 21), (25 - 27). Omitted.
 - (1) KIA 6 VC (22) SA Rds 40
 - (5) Individual Weapons (23) Grenades 12
 - Action 4 (24) AP Mines 3
 - Caches 1 (7) Rice Captured and Destroyed 25lbs
- 5, 6, 7. Omitted.
8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 20/71 dated 17 Mar 71.
- 9, 10. Omitted.
11. Miscellaneous.
 - a, b, c, d, e. Omitted.
 - f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.
 - (1) (210955H). At YS644004, BIEN HOA report a contact with 4 VC. Results: 4 VC KIA (BC), 2 Soviet grease guns, 1 SKS and four packs CIA.
 - (2) Late Report. (200630H). At YT1600, BEARCAT received 3 rounds of 122mm rocket fire. No friendly casualties or damage. Suspected firing grid YS2496.
 - Extracts from 3 Bde (Sep) 1 Cav Div (AM) INTSUM 20 May 71.
 - (4) 20 May. FW ac received light SA fire at 500ft at YS845868 (NUI BE). No hits. Area engaged with organic, arty and naval gun fire 20 May. FW ac YS870852 received SA fire at 500ft. No hits. Engaged with organic and arty and naval gun fire.
 - (5) (200645H). At YS510998, SE of XUAN LOC, 3 Bde tps received sniper fire. Result 1 RF KIA.
 - (6) (201830H). At YS870864, 3 Bde tps loc a NorthEast - SouthWest track with no recent use.
 - (7) (201105H). At YS845868, 3 Bde tps heard a chain saw in a bunker complex in the vicinity of YS854937.
 - (8) (201110H). At YS838869, an ac received ground fire. One hit. Minor damage only. Arty engaged the area with unknown results.

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Annexes: A, B, D. Omitted.
C. Agent Reports.
E. Aerial Reconnaissance.
F. Climatic Summary MR3.

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ANNEX C TO
1 ATF INTSUM NO 141/71
DATED 21 MAY 71.

AGENT REPORTS

1. Agent Report from XUYEN MOC 21 May 71. Aust eval F4.
40 members of C4/D445 commanded by SAU LAC were at YS636627 having moved from YS60664.
Comment: The map shows this area as open ground but the source advised that there is cover in the area. See Agent Report in INTSUM 140/71 Annex C para 9, incl comment.

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2. Agent Report received from DUC THANH 21 May 71 VN Eval C2.

At 182100 May 71 one squad of VC armed with 3 AK47's, 1 B40, 2 M2's and 2 jungle knives entered BINH BA Hamlet. They held a propaganda meeting and told the children not to join any Pro. GVN associations. Source also said that during the day 2 VC had disguised themselves as rubber tappers to watch troop movements.

ANNEX E TO
1 ATF INTSUM NO 141/71
DATED 21 MAY 71

AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE

1. Visual Recce.

DTC LOCATION
210620H YS588571

SIGHTING

2 fishing boats sighted within 300m of the coast.

YS603577

1 fishing boat sighted within 50m of the coast.

210730 E 48 - 51 N 83 - 86

No sign of recent activity.

211200 YS638795

An East-West track showed signs of recent use, possibly from a friendly resupply area on edge of clearing. The track was 1-2 weeks old.

YS635779

Possibly friendly resting or ambush position on edge of a East-West, North-South track junction.

YS655776

Evidence of woodcutting in a 300m radius of the area. A track running East showed sign of wheeled movement 2-4 weeks old.

Numerous well established tracks show no sign of recent activity.

YS660833

A small table was sighted. Tracks in area showed no sign of recent use.

2. Omitted.

3. RED HAZE REPORT 210150 - 210400 MAY 71.

573961 1 by stream
582922 1 in open
620938 1 in open
559879 1 by stream
610828 1 by road
519769 1 by track
688733 1 by track

581940 1 by stream
581912 1 by stream
559899 1 by stream
689870 1 by stream
510789 1 by stream
583725 1 by stream
695760 1 by stream

586930 1 in open
596910 1 in open
559889 1 by stream
626840 1 in open
523775 1 by track
602760 1 by road

4. Omitted

5. APD (Sniffer).

YS6376, YS6976, YS6382, YS6982.
210930H. Negative readings in area.

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1 ATF INTSUM NO 141/71
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LIGHT DATA FOR BIEN HOA

JUNE 1971

<u>DATE</u>	<u>BMNT</u>	<u>SR</u>	<u>SS</u>	<u>EENT</u>	<u>MR</u>	<u>MS</u>	<u>% ILLUM</u>	<u>PHASE</u>
1	0538	0629	1911	2002	1303	0053	50	First Half
2	0538	0629	1912	2003	1347	0129	59	
3	0538	0629	1912	2003	1431	0203	68	
4	0538	0629	1912	2003	1516	0239	77	
5	0538	0629	1913	2004	1604	0316	84	
6	0538	0629	1913	2004	1653	0356	91	
7	0538	0629	1913	2004	1746	0441	96	
8	0538	0629	1914	2005	1843	0530	99	
9	0538	0629	1914	2005	1940	0623	100	Full Moon
10	0538	0629	1914	2005	2037	0720	99	
11	0538	0629	1914	2005	2131	0819	95	
12	0539	0630	1915	2006	2222	0919	90	
13	0539	0630	1915	2007	2309	1016	82	
14	0539	0630	1915	2007	2354	1112	73	
15	0539	0630	1916	2008	XXXX	1206	62	
16	0539	0630	1916	2008	0037	1300	51	Last Half
17	0539	0630	1916	2008	0119	1353	39	
18	0539	0630	1916	2008	0205	1449	28	
19	0539	0631	1917	2009	0251	1549	19	
20	0539	0631	1917	2009	0342	1647	11	
21	0539	0631	1917	2009	0436	1750	5	
22	0539	0631	1917	2009	0534	1851	1	
23	0539	0631	1917	2009	0634	1948	0	New Moon
24	0540	0632	1918	2010	0733	2040	1	
25	0540	0632	1918	2010	0829	2128	5	
26	0540	0632	1918	2010	0921	2211	10	
27	0540	0632	1918	2010	1011	2249	17	
28	0541	0633	1918	2010	1057	2326	25	
29	0541	0633	1918	2010	1142	XXXX	34	
30	0541	0633	1919	2011	1225	0001	43	

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TIDE DATA FOR CAPE SAINT JAQUES

JUNE 1971

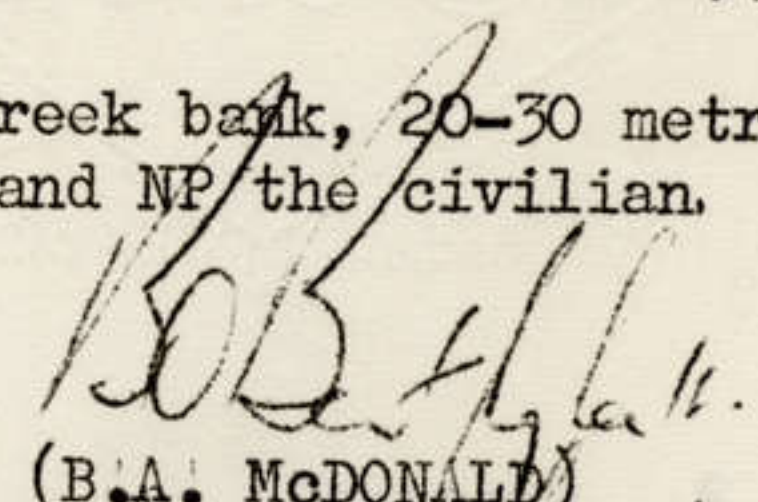
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1	0134	3.9	0933	10.2	1524	7.7	1915	8.0
2	0226	4.9	1012	10.2	1658	6.9	2204	7.9
3	0327	5.9	1044	10.2	1740	5.7	2337	8.2
4	0435	6.6	1110	10.3	1813	4.8		
5	0040	8.9	0537	7.1	1137	10.5	1845	3.6
6	0130	9.4	0633	7.4	1201	10.7	1917	2.6
7	0218	10.0	0722	7.7	1229	10.8	1951	1.6
8	0301	10.5	0805	7.9	1256	11.2	2025	0.7
9	0342	11.0	0847	8.0	1327	11.3	2100	-0.2
10	0424	11.3	0925	8.4	1359	11.5	2138	-0.5
11	0511	11.3	1003	8.5	1435	11.6	2216	-0.7
12	0558	11.3	1046	8.5	1512	11.5	2258	-0.3
13	0645	11.2	1134	8.5	1556	11.0	2344	0.5
14	0730	11.0	1231	8.2	1649	10.3		
15	0033	1.5	0815	10.8	1336	7.7	1804	9.5
16	0125	2.8	0857	10.7	1447	6.7	1953	8.9
17	0221	4.1	0937	10.7	1559	5.6	2153	8.7
18	0324	5.2	1015	10.7	1703	4.1	2331	9.0
19	0433	6.4	1051	10.8	1800	2.6		
20	0052	9.7	0543	7.4	1128	11.0	1851	1.3
21	0202	10.2	0649	7.9	1203	11.3	1939	0.3
22	0302	10.7	0748	8.2	1242	11.5	2024	-0.5
23	0355	10.8	0838	8.4	1321	11.5	2107	-0.8
24	0440	11.0	0921	8.4	1400	11.3	2147	-0.7
25	0522	10.8	1003	8.2	1442	11.2	2226	-0.2
26	0603	10.7	1046	7.9	1523	10.7	2304	0.7
27	0638	10.5	1131	7.7	1606	10.0	2342	1.6
28	0712	10.3	1221	7.4	1654	9.2		
29	0020	2.8	0745	10.2	1315	6.9	1757	0.5
30	0057	3.9	0814	10.0	1414	6.4	1928	7.9

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 142/71 dated 22 May 71.
2. Period Covered from 220001H to 222400H May 71.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were no contacts with Task Force elements.
 - a. Ground Activity.
 - (1) AO DEBORAH.
 - (a) (220830H) At YS630828, 12 Pl D Coy 3 RAR loc a bunker system consisting of 3 bunkers with OHP and 1 x fighting pit. All the pits were 4½' to 5½' deep with 6" of OHP. Entry/exit points were to the North. The system was 1-2 months old and not used since then. The system was still in a useable condition. System was destroyed.
 - b. Air Activity.
 - (1) Omitted.
 - (2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See ANNEX E.
4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.
 - a., b., c., d. and e. omitted.
 - f. Cumulative Totals for Mnth MR 3.

(1) KIA 6 VC	(7) Rice Captured and Destroyed 25 lbs
(2), (3) and (4) omitted.	(8) to (21) omitted.
(5) Individual Wpns.	(22) SA rds 40
Action 4	(23) Grenades 12
Caches 1	(24) AP mines 3
(6) Omitted.	(25), (26) and (27) omitted.
5. Omitted.
6. Omitted.
7. Omitted.
8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP No 20/71 dated 17 May 71.
9. Omitted.
10. Omitted.
11. Miscellaneous.
 - a., c. and e. omitted.
 - b. Corrections to Previous INTSUMS.
 - (1) INTSUM No 140/71 para 11. f. (2) add 2 BT located.
 - (2) INTSUM No 141/71 ANNEX E, amend YS638795 to read YS638775.
 - d. Agent Reports. See ANNEX C.
 - f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.
 - (1) Ref INTSUM 141/71 dated 21 May 71: results of 3 Bde ambush at YT644004 were no friendly casualties, 4 en KIA, 1 x SKS rifle with 18 rds ammo, 2 x Russian PPS 43 SMGs with 90 rds, 1 lb of docus, 40 lbs of explosive, 8 lbs of clothing and miscellaneous personal items CIA. COMMENT: Initial readout of the docus ident K8 Combat Sp Coy of VC BA LONG (P) (formerly part of the now disbanded D440 LF Bn. This unit has supported D445 LF Bn in the past.
 - (2) (220915H) At YS353904 a VR ac from 161 Indep Recce Flt received ground fire from a bunker system and staging camp. At 221030H an airstrike was carried out, which destroyed 4 bunkers with bombs impacting on or within target area. At 221125H 2 Bushrangers who were engaging the target took ground fire with nil casualties or damage. At 221215H a second airstrike was carried out with 60% of bombs impacting on target area. There was nil friendly casualties or ac damage. (See ANNEX E for full report of VR pilot who observed track and later took ground fire). COMMENT: In this area a pl of 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) had a contact on 27 Mar with a gp of en, killing one who later was ident as a member of 274 Regt.
 - (3) (221000H) An Albatross sighted a civilian sitting on a creek bank, 20-30 metres West of LUSCOMBE Field. After investigation by cav elms and NP the civilian was released.


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Annexes : A. Interrogation Reports
 C. Agent Reports
 E. Aerial Reconnaissance

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ANNEX A TO
1 ATF INTSUM No 142/71
DATED 22 MAY 71

INTERROGATION REPORT
FURTHER INTERROGATION
DETAINEE - NGUYEN VAN SU

Reference: INTSUMS 133/71 and 135/71.

1. The subject has again given a different name, stating that his correct name is DANG VAN SU. He states that his reason for this is that at the time of his capture, due to weakness from hunger and his wounds, he was unable to remember his family name.
2. The subject states that the reason he spent 3 months in a SAIGON gaol was that when his "draft call up" came, his wife was pregnant, and there was no one but himself to look after her. He therefore did not report and was subsequently convicted.
3. He confirms that NAM KIEM (CHAU DUC Comd) was taken some time ago to BA LONG Province HQ by HAI HA (C of S BA LONG (P)) to be hospitalised for TB. COMMENT: This agrees with previous HOI CHANH statements although makes no mention of NAM KIEM becoming 2IC of BA LONG (P) Unit, as is thought to be the case.
4. Subject confirms that SAU NGUYEN is now Comd of CHAU DUC (D) and TU HIEU is the 2 IC.

AGENT REPORT

ANNEX C

1. As a result of efforts to kidnap youths and PSDF members, LONG DAT HQ has increased its strength to the extent that it has formed a new concentrated company, designated C21. The arming and training of the thirty recruits has been completed. COMMENT: A number of PSDF and other local pers have been abducted recently from the LONG DIEN and DAT DO area. Further information is required before the existence of "C21" can be accepted.

AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE

ANNEX E

1. Visual Recce

<u>DTG</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>SIGHTING</u>
211120H	YS7490	In area N of YS7490 ac sighted 4 tractors.
220523H	YS515773	At YS515773 ac sighted a veh moving along Route 327 heading East.
220915H	YS3590	Sighted track from YS389923 and followed it through YS372920 to YS360914 to YS359906 where there are many signs of recent activity incl digging of yams. Track was heavy and fresh. At YS353904 fresh digging was seen and approx 7 bunkers were in the process of being renovated. Ac later took ground fire at YS353904. (para 11. f. (2) refers).
221600H	E 28-31, N 69-72	A track from MIEU PHAT on Route 15 runs NE to YS278685. There has been movement on the track within the last week. Track also runs from YS278680 to the NE around NUI ONE TRINH At YS286687 the track moves NW and appears to end around YS282692. The track appears to have been used recently, possibly within the past week.

2. Omitted.

3. Red Haze Activity.

220335H to 220550H May 71.

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>READOUT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>READOUT</u>
YS335891	1 in open	YS355856	3 in woods
YS303880	2 in woods	YS311846	6 in woods
YS318863	2 in woods	YS372847	1 in woods
YS321854	2 in woods	YS302839	1 in woods

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<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>READOUT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>READOUT</u>
YS311839	3 in woods	YS377784	8 in open
YS337833	3 in woods	YS376717	1 in open
YS348815	6 in woods	YS388708	2 in open
YS311822	1 in woods	YS436790	1 in woods
YS289820	1 in woods	YS430781	1 in woods
YS478838	1 in woods	YS451783	1 near stream
YS333796	1 in woods	YS450761	2 in plantation
YS361792	1 in woods	YS476754	3 in open
YS376791	4 in open	YS508748	1 in open
YS356769	2 in open	YS503723	1 in open
YS337788	1 in woods	YS587758	1 in wood
YS583728	1 in open	<u>COMMENT</u> : same area as reading on 21 May 71, VR flown over area yesterday which produced nil results. This of course, is general area of 31 Mar contact between D445 and elms of 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) Bn	

4. Omitted.

5. APD (Sniffer).

At 221055 a maximum of YS563885.

1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 143/71.
2. Period covered from 230001H to 232400H May 71.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There was 1 contact with Task Force elements.
 - a. Ground Activity.
 - (1) AO DEBORAH.
 - (a)(230921H). At YS664812, 72 Pl D Coy 3 RAR found an overnight sleeping area for three persons. Track of three persons from ESE to NNW used in last 2 days.
 - (2) AO ELSIE.
 - (a)(Prior to 231240H). At YS491849, 4 Pl B Coy 3 RAR engaged two VC who returned fire and withdrew SE. On follow-up Pl loc 1/2 lb PE apparently dropped by the enemy and one sentry pit.
 - (b)(Prior to 231815H). At YS498839 5 Pl B Coy 3 RAR loc footprints of 2 persons moving North. Prints 5-6 hours old.
 - (3) Other Areas.
 - (a)(Prior to 231750H). At YS7968 elms A Sqn 3 Cav Regt loc tracks of 1-2 persons moving North to South in last 24 hours.
 - (b)(Prior to 231750H). At YS7664 elms A Sqn 3 Cav Regt loc tracks of 5-6 persons moving West. Tracks very fresh.
 - b. Air Activity.
 - (1) Omitted.
 - (2) Aerial Reconnaissance See Annex E.
4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.
 - a, b, c, d, e. Omitted.
 - f. Cumulative Totals for Month MR - 3.

(2 - 4), (6), (8 - 21), (25), (27) Omitted.	(22) SA Rds	40
(1) KIA 6 VC	(23) Grenades	12
(5) Individual Weapons.	(24) AP Mines	3
Action 4	(26) TNT	1/2 lb
Caches 1		
(7) Rice Captured and Destroyed 25lbs		
- 5,6, 7. Omitted
8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP No 20/71 dated 17 May 71.
9. 10. Omitted
11. Miscellaneous.
 - a, b, c, d, e. Omitted
 - f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.
 - (1)(Late Report). On 20 May the ARVN Camp at BLACKHORSE (YS435964) received two 107mm rockets resulting in one ARVN trainee KIA.

Extracts from 3 Bde (Separate) 1 Cav Div (AM) INTSUM.

 - (1) Further to INTSUM 142/71 para 11 f (1) contact should read as follows (210955H) at YT644004 3 Bde tps engaged 4 enemy dressed in mixed clothing, armed with individual weapons and moving West. Results: 4 VC KIA, 1x SKS, 2x Russian PPS 43 SMG, docus, 40 lbs rice, med supplies, 2x sewing machines, 1 oz C4 and miscellaneous personal items CIA.
 - Comment. Initial readout of docus identifies K8 Combat Sp Coy of BA LONG (P) (formerly part of the now disbanded D440 LF Bn). This unit (K8) has supported D445 LF Bn in the past. See Annex B for docu readout.
 - (2)(212045H). At YS848856 3 Bde ac received ground fire resulting in one hit. Area engaged by ac and AS was conducted. While on BDA of AS observed nine bunkers 6x8ft, four huts 10x15ft and eight fighting pits 2x3x6ft all destroyed. Ac received ground fire with negative hits and area engaged again by ac, arty and AS with unknown results
 - (3)(211444H). At YS844854 3 Bde tps loc 75 bunkers and 15 huts (10 incompleated), pots and pans and clothing scattered in the area. Area showed signs of use within last 24 hours. Area engaged resulting in 6 bunkers destroyed.
 - (4)(211615H). At YS848852 3 Bde tps engaged one enemy who evaded into bunker which was engaged. Enemy casualties unknown.
 - (5)(211615H). At YS963948 3 Bde tps loc East - West track with good air cover used in last 48 hours by 2-3 persons.
 - (6)(211725H). At YS849852 513 RF Coy heard three shots 600m West and loc four disused bunkers containing 1x16 lb Atk mine, 1xDH-10 mine, 20x chicom grenades and documents.
 - (7)(221010H). At YS863948 3 Bde tps engaged 3 VC. Results 3 VC KIA, 3 x AK47, 3 sets webbing, 1x transistor radio, 4x packs (Containing food) and docus CIA.
 - (8)(220910H). At YS846855 AS conducted. Results 4 bunkers and 1x hootchie partially destroyed and one hole uncovered.

.../(9) (221043H)

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(9)(221043H). At YS851848 AS conducted resulting 2 x bunkers destroyed, 5x bunkers partially destroyed, 6x hootchies destroyed and personal items scattered over the area.

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- Annexes: B. Captured Documents
- C. Agent Reports
- E. Aerial Reconnaissance

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ANNEX B TO
1 ATF INTSUM NO 143/71
DATED 23 MAY 71

CAPTURED DOCUMENTS

3 Bde (Sep) 1 Cav Div (AM)

1. Documents captured by Ranger Team 73 of 1 ACD on 21 May 71 at YF644004, identify an element of K8 Combat Sp Coy of BA LONG (P).
2. Included among the documents were commendation certificates, personal histories, letters of application, Notebook containing lists of foodstuffs, Notebook containing roster of personnel in A1 of K8, list of weapons and ammunition, personal letters, a notebook of self dissected political questions, promotion certificates, notebook containing HO CHI MINH's sayings and one small portion of a letter containing incomplete sentences but mentioning unit D445 (D445 LF Bn).
3. One letter placed the strength of K8 Party Group at twenty regular and five provisional members. Comment. 1 ATF ORBAT holds total strength of K8 Combat Sp Coy at 65 members. This unit formerly the Heavy Weapons Coy of the disbanded D440, now operates under the direct comd of BA LONG and is loaned out as necessary to D445 (The mortar element were probably with D445 in the TAN RU in Mar - Apr 71).
4. 1 ACD Comment. These documents identify the K8 Mobile Heavy Weapons Coy, BA LONG (P). K8 was formerly within D440 Bn. Since D440 was disbanded in 1970, K8 has been attached to BA LONG (P). It serves as a combat support Coy for BA LONG (P) units. Most recently, K8 has been in direct support of D445 LF Bn, BA LONG (P). D445 was last identified on 22 Apr 71 by documents taken from a KIA at YS539861 in an Australian contact. (1 Pl A Coy 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC)).

ANNEX C TO
1 ATF INTSUM NO 143/71
DATED 23 MAY 71

AGENT REPORTS

1. Received from DUC THANH 23 May. Eval 1 ATF F3.
 At 182100H May 71 1 VC squad infiltrated BINH BA hamlet (YS4473). They were dressed in mixed uniforms and armed with 1xB40, 3x AK47, 2x M2 carbine and 2 jungle knives. Source stated that during the day 2 VC enter the rubber disguised as tappers and watch troop activities. At night they enter the hamlet and conduct propaganda meetings.

ANNEX E TO
1 ATF INTSUM NO 143/71
DATED 23 MAY 71

AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE

1. Visual Recce.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
230730H	YS326770
231000H	YS322734
	YS296727
231200H	E 55 - 58 N 87 - 90

SIGHTING

6x oxcarts. 1 x oxcart later loc at YS324739 and at least one of the other five carts sighted at YS334786
 Nil signs enemy activity
 3 men, 2 boys and 2 women carrying 2xcross cut saws. No veh seen in area and none of the oxcart tracks had been used recently.
 A bunker entrance in good condition showing no signs of recent use.
 Nil signs enemy activity.

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231500H E 50 - 54

Nil signs enemy activity.

231518H YS746610

Fishing boat 20 - 30 m off-shore.

- 2, 3, 4. Omitted
5. APD (Sniffer)

231015H E 50 - 58 N 86 - 89

Nil significant readings.

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- 1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 144/71 dated 24 May 71.
- 2. Period Covered from 240001H to 242400H May 71.
- 3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were no contacts with Task Force elements.

a. Ground Activity.

(1) AO ELSIE.

(a) (241515H) At YS488905, 1 Pl V Coy 4 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) Bn loc a booby trap consisting of a tilt switch operated gren and 15 lbs TNT. Booby trap was loc between clumps of bamboo and had been planted after rain this morning.

(2) AO LISA.

(a) Late Report. (232000H) At YS443876, 2 Pl V Coy 4 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) Bn suspected sighting five enemy. At 2021H it was believed that five pers left a house in the vicinity. Illum was fired but no further sighting occurred. At 2120H an RPG or home made bomb impacted 100m from pl's loc. On morning 24 May 71 a search of the house revealed nothing of significance except 100 lbs rice considered by VN officials to be reasonable as rations were drawn in preceding 48 hrs.

(3) Other Areas.

(a) (241425H) At YS361926, an APC of A Sqn 3 Cav Regt detonated an unk size CHICOM pressure mine. Results: 2 Aust WIA, APC mod damaged. Another mine of 15 lbs block explosive and approx 12 months old was also loc in the vicinity This mine consisted of three tubes each with 5 lbs of explosive and has been recovered. Tubes were layed across track to width of an APC.

COMMENT: The mines may possibly have been laid by elms of 274 Regt.

b. Air Activity.

(1) Omitted.

(2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See Annex E.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a., b., c. and d. omitted.

e. Enemy Weapons and Material Captured or Destroyed.

(1), (2) and (3) omitted.

(4) Captured Documents. See Annex B.

(5) Omitted.

f. Cumulative Totals for Month-MR3.

(1) KIA 6 VC

(2), (3) and (4) omitted.

(5) Individual Wpns.

Action 4

Caches 1

(6) Omitted

(27) Omitted

(7) Rice Captured and Destroyed. 25 lbs

(8) to (21) omitted.

(22) SA rds 40

(23) Grenades 12

(24) AP mines 4

(25) AT mines 2

(26) TNT 1/2 lb

5. New Obstacles, Barriers and Fortifications.

a. Omitted.

b. Enemy Emplaced Mines and Booby Traps.

(1) Destroyed by Friendly Forces.

AT MINES

AP MINES

BOOBY TRAPS

YS361926, 1 15lb mine

YS488905, 1 15lb booby trap

(2) Resulting in Friendly Losses.

DTG

CO-ORD

TYPE

RESULTS

241425H

YS361926

15lb CHICOM

2 Aust WIA, 1 APC damaged.

6. Omitted.

7. Omitted.

8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 21/71 Dated 24 May 71.

9. Omitted.

10. Omitted.

11. Miscellaneous.

a. Omitted.

b. Correction to Previous INTSUM.

INTSUM No 143/71 Annex E para (4) add N 86-83 to area with no signs of en activity.

c., d. and e. omitted.

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f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

(1) Late Report. (211030H) At YS457571, 36 USARV Trg Coy observed 3 VC, one in tiger fatigues and two dressed in black. The en were eng with SA fire & 81mm mor fire with unk results. NFI.

Extracts from 3 Bde (Sep) 1 Cav Div (AM) INTSUM).

- (1) (221010H) At YS863948 a Ranger ptl while in AP on an E/W track observed one pers (in green fatigues and carrying AK47) moving E along trail. Ptl eng with SA and claymores resulting in 3 en KIA. CIA were 3 x AK47 rifles and 6 lbs docus. Initial docus readout ident Rear Svce staff of MR7.
- (2) (220830H) At YS843864, 3 Bde tps loc N/S track used by 3-5 pers in last 24-48 hrs.
- (3) (220930H) At YS846855, 3 Bde tps while conducting BDA of A-S at 0910H loc 4 bunkers, 1 hut, 1 hole and clothing. All destroyed.
- (4) (220940H) At YS877870, 3 Bde tps loc one hut 6' x 6' covered with palm leaves (rebuilt last week), 1 calendar, 1 set of old footprints from hut to water and a N/S logging road not recently used.
- (5) (221135H) At YS843850, 3 Bde tps while conducting BDA of A/S at 1043H loc 7 bunkers, clothing and cooking utensils. All destroyed.
- (6) (221320H) At YS843865, 3 Bde tps loc NE/SW track marked with short sticks pushed into ground and not used recently.
- (7) (221645H) At YS836868, 3 Bde tps heard voices 150m N of loc. Aerial Vr conducted with nil results.
- (8) (231220H) At YS846860, 3 Bde tps loc NW/SE track used by 2-3 pers in last 3 days.
- (9) (231250H) At YS870945, 3 Bde tps loc N/S road, 10' wide with no recent use.
- (10) (231525H) At YS846859, 3 Bde tps loc cave with 60 fld expd HG. Area not used recently.
- (11) (231545H) At YS839865, 3 Bde tps loc N/S track with use in the last 12 hrs by 6-12 pers in bare feet moving S. Track has marking sticks placed two feet apart.

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for (B.A. McDONALD)
Brig
Comd

- Annexes : A. Interrogation Reports
E. Aerial Reconnaissance
F. 274 VC Main Force Regt

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- List A
- HQ TRAC
- MACV-J2
- MACV-CICV
- 18 ARVN Div
- BIEN HOA Sector
- Advisory Team 89
- Sector S2
- 3 Bde 1 (US) Cav Div (AM)
- AATTV Advisor BARIA
- RSSZ (for IO)
- LONG KHANH Sector S2
- All 1 ATF LOs

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1 ATF INTSUM No 144/71
DATED 24 MAY 71

INTERROGATION REPORT
FURTHER INTERROGATION
PW - THAI VAN THUAN

Reference: 1 ATF INTSUM No 139/71 dated 19 May 71.

1. Since the initial interrogation, the subject has admitted to several changes to his original statement, after being confronted with information found in documents he was carrying.
2. The subject stated that on the night of the 14 May 71, he was told by TAM CHON (PHU MY Party Chapter Secretary) to kill BUI VAN NGHI for personal reasons (refer 1 ATF INTSUM No 137/71 dated 17 May 71). Others involved in the assassination were CANH (unk), HAI HOANG (unk), TAM CHON, and MANH (PHU MY Village guerilla).
3. The subject stated that even though he was in charge of the F.E section, NAM HIEU (possibly LONG SON Farmers' Association) was in charge of collecting food and taxes. He also gave the names of several VC suppliers.
4. The subject states the PHU MY Guerilla base camp is at YS341764.

ANNEX E

AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE

- | <u>1. Visual Recce</u> | <u>DTG</u> | <u>LOCATION</u> | <u>SIGHTING</u> |
|------------------------|---|--|--|
| | 201430H | YS441548 | 36 USARV Trg Coy obsr one bunker 6'x2½'x6' and 6-12 months old. |
| | 240730H | E 52-55,
N 87-90
YS518887-YS520888 | No significant sightings on the E/W run

A track which looks recent but can't be followed very far. Other old tracks appear in vicinity. |
| | 240930H | YS572580 | Two adult VN and nine children seen on track heading NE. They were displaying SVN flag. |
| | 241000H | YS408828 | Light foot track heading N/S, used by 1-2 pers in last 2 weeks. No other sign of recent movement. |
| | 241200H | E 33-36,
N 66-69 | No significant sightings. |
| | 241400H | YS374847

YS378845 | Two newer bunkers, in useable condition next to an old destroyed bunker system. Track in area showed no recent use.

Small garden with what appeared to be a small amount of rice growing. |
| 2. | Omitted. | | |
| 3. | <u>Red Haze Activity.</u> 240335H to 240545H May 71 | | |
| | YS637657 }
YS642659 } | 1 near road }
1 near road } | Both readings near junction of Routes 23/328 |
| | YS765745 | 5 in open | |
| 4. | Omitted. | | |
| 5. | <u>APD (Sniffer)</u> | | |
| | 240900H | YS3979 - YS3985 - YS4379 - YS4385 | Nil significant readings |

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274 VC MAIN FORCE REGIMENT

History.

1. 274 Regt was activated in early 1964 in War Zone D, but did not begin operations until March 1965. Although the cadre for the regiment came from 308 NVA Division, the nucleus of the regiment was drawn from D 800 DONG NAI Battalion of MR 1. This battalion eventually became 1 Bn 274 Regt. 3 Bn, originally designated 308, was formed primarily from C202 Local Force Company from the SONG BE area. 2 Bn was the last to join the regiment. It had previously been 265 Bn of KIEN HOA Province.
2. The regiment was subordinated to 5 VC Division in Aug 1965, but continued to operate independently in VC BA BIEN Province under the direction of COSVN, except when participating in Division sized operations.
3. During 1965, the Regt operated out of the HAT DICH (YS3288) area in both LONG KHANH and BIEN HOA Provinces. For the remainder of 1966 the Regt operated primarily in Northern PHUOC TUY Province. On 9 Dec 66, 2 Bn overran the ARVN VAN KIEP Training Centre (YS363620) inflicting heavy losses on friendly forces for only 2 VC KIA. After this operation, the Regiment remained relatively inactive. In Nov 67, the Regt moved into the HAT DICH area to receive replacements from 320 NVA Regt. Shortly after this, the Regt became Subordinate to SR - 4. During late Dec 67 and early Jan 68 the Regt suffered heavy losses in contacts with US Forces. In Jan 68 the Regt received replacements to replenish these losses.
4. At this time, the Regiment began preparing for an attack on BIEN HOA Air Base. On 31 Jan 68 274 and 275 Regts attacked BIEN HOA but were thoroughly defeated. While withdrawing east and north east, the Regt was again contacted by 199 (US) LIB, again suffering heavy losses. In early Mar 68 the Regt was again assigned to 5 VC Division and avoided contact until Apr 68. In Apr 2 Bn received replacements from Infiltration Group 241. During the month 3 Bn initiated offensive action against 11 ACR 15 Kilometres west of XUAN LOC.
5. In May 68, 5 VC Div left LONG KHANH Province and 274 Regt remained behind, being resubordinated to the recently activated MR - 7. During May and Jun 68 274 Regt conducted large scale ambushes along Highway 1, after which the Regt withdrew to their base areas. In Aug 68 the Regt again conducted operations along Highway 1 and launched a ground attack against FSB GREY (YS240926). Shortly after these actions, the Regt withdrew to resupply, sending elements to War Zone D to obtain food and ammunition.
6. In Dec 68 all three battalions conducted operations which resulted in a combined loss of 121 KIA. As a result the Regt withdrew to the HAT DICH area to refit. It was not identified again until 3 Feb 69 when 3 Bn attacked LONG BINH, resulting in 194 VC KIA. 1 Bn was identified the same night after an attack upon BEAR CAT, in which once again heavy losses were suffered. After these attacks the Regt withdrew to an area along the SOUI CA stream (YS2689) to staging for an attack on RTAVF installations. On 16 Mar new 1 and 2 Bns attacked 3 Bde RTAVF HQ (YS1691). The regt remained relatively inactive after this operation.
7. During 12 and 13 May 69, 274 Regt engaged elements of the RTAVF at YS238917 losing 128 KIA. Due to these heavy losses, the Regt again withdrew to the HAT DICH area. However during Aug and Sep the Regt was given the mission of attacking convoys along Highway 15. 2 Bn travelled north to War Zone D to obtain supplies during Sep. During the remainder of 1969, the Regt remained relatively inactive while receiving reinforcements.
8. During Jan and Feb 70, 1 and 3 Bns were involved in light contact in their normal AO along the LONG KHANH and PHUOC TUY Province border. Throughout the remainder of 1970 274 Regt avoided significant contact while refitting.

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Recent Activity

9. Generally in the past year 274 VC Regt has shown very little activity. The only contacts with the Regt have been light engagements. When contacted by Allied Forces they have a tendency to withdraw immediately even when their base camps are attacked.

10. A document captured on 28 Jan 71 indicates that 1 and 3 Bn may be reorganizing into coy sized units. Lack of recent activity by 2 Bn suggests that its mission is primarily resupply and logistics as well as the task of security for Regt HQ. A document captured on 20 Mar 71 identifies C9 Heavy Wpns Coy of 2 Bn as being in the ONG QUE Rubber Plantation area. There have been several reports that C9 Hy Wpns Coy of 2 Bn is in fact now attached to 1 Bn.

11. Recent examples of offensive activity on the part of units of the Regt have been a possible abortive ambush attempt by 3 Bn on an RAAF convoy (para 16 below), and also an attack by fire and a ground probe on 15 May probably by elements of 1 Bn supported by a local force unit on a RF Post south of XUAN LOC, resulting in 6 friendly killed, 11 friendly wounded and 8 enemy killed.

12. Recent reports have indicated that 274 Regt is at present detaching Pl sized groups to guerilla units with the task of training and reinforcing them. There are indications that the XUAN LOC and CAO SU Guerillas have been upgraded by teams from 274 Regt in this manner. 274 Regt elements could also be attached to the CAM MY Guerillas for this purpose. There have been other reports from other areas of Vietnam of Main Force battalions detaching personnel in this manner in order to upgrade local force units.

Outline Organisation

13. 274 Regt consists of three Inf Bns (D1, D2, D3), B1 Military Staff Sect, B2 Political Staff Sect, B3 Rear Services Sect, C16 Mortar Coy, C17 RR Coy, C18 HMG Coy, C19 Engineer Coy, C20 Signal Coy, C21A Sapper Coy, C21B Recce Coy, C22 Tpt Coy, C23 Surgical Team and K24 Convalescence Coy. See Outline Organisation at Appendix 1. Estimated strengths are shown alongside each element.

Command

14. 274 Regt is subordinated to Military Region 7. Although it operates mainly within the AOs of SR-4 and BA LONG Province, like all Main Force formations it is directly subordinate to the local Military Region.

Tactics

15. 274 Regt's tactics in the past have been to attack in bn strength, with one coy being held in reserve. Attacks were preceded by shelling with organic weapons or from the Regt Sp Coys. The attacking force normally attacked the objective from different directions simultaneously, employing the hit-and-run technique. Human wave assaults were used in the past especially by 1 Bn, before the Regt's strength became depleted. However it is doubtful whether 274 Regt will employ conventional attacks again in the foreseeable future. 274 Regt's strength and morale is depleted and all enemy emphasis is upon small scale sapper-type actions.

16. Ambush operations are normally conducted by Coy or reinforced Coy sized forces, with the attacking force positioned on one side of a track or road. RPG 2s and RPG 7s are utilised against motorised convoys. 3 Bn has had extensive experience against ~~armour~~. In the past the Regt has regarded very long convoys as potential targets, but now will target small convoys of from three vehicles or possibly more. The abortive ambush attempt upon an RAAF convoy on Route 15 South of LONG BINH on 17 May 71 was possibly carried out by 3 Bn.

17. The typical VC/NVA method of operations calls for extensive recce, detailed planning, and thorough rehearsal for attacks. Orders for an attack are received about

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seven days before the attack is to take place. The Regt staff then plans the detailed operation and gives the orders to subordinate units from one to two days before the attack. In order to ensure that the attack plan is not compromised, the individual soldiers do not receive instructions until immediately prior to the attack. When the attack plan calls for the use of a larger force, C21B Recce Coy is employed. Two radio operators are attached to the Bn signal platoon in the event of Bn or smaller attacks, to provide additional signal support.

18. The Bns now normally operate independently, working outside of their areas of operations only when ordered to do so by Regt. HQ units seldom stay in the same areas in excess of three days. Communications are achieved mainly by runner, although radio contact is maintained every few days. The Regt keeps all supplies within base camps or base areas of the individual battalions, and these units are responsible for the issue, storage, and protection of their own supplies, ammunition and weapons. The Regt does not normally defend base camps or bunker complexes and will withdraw in small groups at the first opportunity, unless they feel that the fight will be to their advantage.

Morale.

19. 274 Regt has operated extensively in its current AO and is very familiar with the area. A large percentage of the cadre and soldiers are combat veterans. The Regt is in close proximity to its main sources of supply. However these points are counter-balanced by the heavy combat losses suffered by the Regt and its inability to inflict substantial losses upon the Allies. The increasing supply difficulties and the forced movement of base camps due to artillery, air strikes and land clearing operations are responsible for low morale. These factors combine to suggest that 274 Regt has only limited combat effectiveness.

Personalities.

20. A list of personalities is found at Appendix 2.

Resupply.

21. 274 Regt is normally supplied by J-85 Rear Services of MR-7, although the Rear Service Staff of the Regt has recently been active on its own. Food stuffs are obtained in the local area with the aid of the village guerilla units and sympathizers in the surrounding villages. In the recent past the Regt has sent elements of 2 Bn North to War Zone D to obtain munitions and equipment and more recently, C22 and C18 Coys have been involved in these resupply missions. The difficulty the Regt is experiencing in obtaining supplies should hamper their ability to conduct significant offensive operations. Sources of supply include the BINH SON (centre of mass YS2392) and VIET CUONG (YS4388) Rubber Plantations.

Cover Designators.

22. 274 Regt has a number of cover designators, as is also the case for each of its Bns:

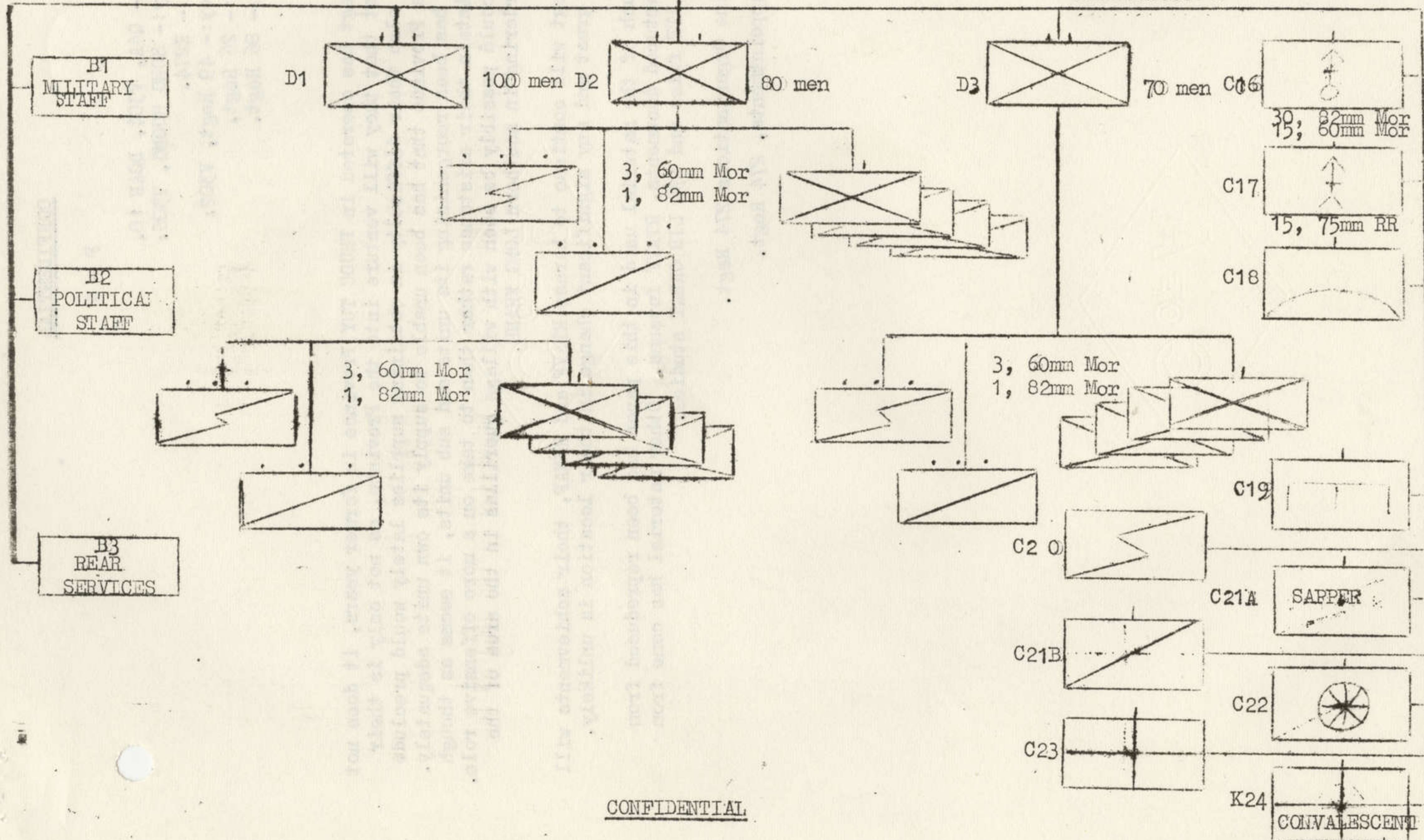
- a. Regt:- J610, Q674, E4, QT64, 4th Regt, K3, K9, H10, DONG NAI 94, DOAN 94, E310, 94 Regt, 74 Regt, Infil Gp 729, J610, c4.
- b. D1 Bn:- J621, 412, 500 DONG NAI Bn, K5, K1, LAM SON, BAC HAI, QUOC DAY.
- c. D2 Bn:- J631, H16, D265, 65 DONG THAP, K265, BAC TU, K7, H12, QUOC TUAN, Infil Gp 241, QUOI NGO.
- d. D3 Bn:- J641, D304, C341, F15, 263, MAU THU, DONG DO, BAC SAU, 308 Bn.
- e. B1 - Military Staff:- Gp H12, 20 Regt.
- f. B2 - Political Staff:- D800, Gp 445B.
- g. B3 - RSV Staff:- DOAN XUAN Regt, 764.
- h. C16 Mor Coy:- Gp 12, V310.
- i. C17 RR Coy:- 800, V308, DOAN 17.

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274 MR-7
Total Str: 610



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- j. C18 AA Coy:- Q4A, V304, DOAN 18.
- k. C19 Engr Coy:- SONG HUONG, V306.
- l. C20 Sig Coy:- E274.
- m. C21 Recce Coy:- 49 Regt, V302.
- n. C22 Tpt Coy:- 26 Regt.
- o. C23 Med Coy:- 86 Regt.

Conclusion.

23. Although 274 Regt has operated in PHUOC TUY Province in former years, it does not seem likely at present that they will venture into the Province, as not only is their morale very low, but also their difficulty in obtaining supplies lately would preclude their movement into a Province that has been unable to supply its own units adequately. Even though the Regt has been reorganising its units and sub units, it seems as though this is merely to maintain their existence rather than to take on a more offensive role. However cadre units could possibly be seen with village guerillas in the area of the northern Province bordering in southern LONG KHANH.

24. Although 274 Regt will continue to harass RTAVF and RVNAF, their achievements will probably not be very great and any significant change in their location is unlikely.

Note On Sources: Much of the material used in this paper has been reproduced from captured documents, RTAVF Intsums. Other material has come from 1 ATF files and 199 LIB ORBAT studies.

- Appendices:
- 1. Outline Organisations 274 Regt.
 - 2. Key appointments, 274 Regt.

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KEY PERSONALITIES OF 274th VC REGIMENT

1. Regimental HQ

- a. CO - UT THANG
- b. XO - BA THANH
- c. XO - HAI PHE
- d. PO - TU QUANG
- e. Chief of Rear Services - TAM THANH TAO
- f. Chief of Political Staff - UT MAI
- g. Chief of Staff - BAY THIEN

2. 1 Bn 274

a. Bn HQ

- (1) CO - CHAU
- (2) XO - SAU THANH
- (3) XO - RE
- (4) PO - VO UT

b. C1

- (1) CO - HUNG
- (2) PO - BAY AN

c. C2

- (1) CO - TAM GIA
- (2) PO - HONG

d. C3

- (1) CO - NGAN
- (2) PO - QUI

e. C4

- (1) CO - LE THANH LAM
- (2) PO - BAY LAC

3. 2 Bn 274

a. Bn HQ

- (1) CO - NGUYEN CHAU
- (2) XO - THANH
- (3) PO - BA CHT

b. C5

- (1) CO - TRIEU TAN HAN
- (2) PO - DUUY

c. C6

- (1) CO - VIEN
- (2) PO - HUOE

d. C7

- (1) CO - NGUE
- (2) PO - CUONG

e. C8

- (1) CO - DUNG
- (2) PO - THUOC

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4. 3 Bn 274

- a. Bn HQ
 - (1) CO - RAY CONG (THAN)
 - (2) XO - BA PHUNG
 - (3) PO - NAM DINH
- b. C11
 - (1) CO - CHAU
 - (2) PO - HA VAN LU
- c. C12
 - (1) CO - NHEE
 - (2) PO - LU
- d. C13
 - (1) CO - PHAT
 - (2) PO - TAM SANG
- e. C14
 - (1) CO - CUONG
 - (2) PO - UT LE

5. Supporting Units

- a. C16
 - (1) CO - HANH
 - (2) PO - DINH
- b. C17 (1) CO - NGUYEN MINH QUANG
- c. C18 (1) CO - THO
- d. C19 (1) CO - LINH
- e. C20
 - (1) CO - NAM THANH
 - (2) PO - DANG VIET
- f. C21A (1) CO - NGUYEN VAN PHUC
- g. C21B
 - (1) CO - UT TAI
 - (2) PO - BA SON
- h. C22
 - (1) CO - NAM KY
 - (2) PO - HA VAN LU
- i. C23
 - (1) CO - TU KIEN
 - (2) PO - TU GIAP
- j. K24
 - (1) CO - NAM MINH
 - (2) PO - BA CUT

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1 ATF SUPINTREP 21/71
(PERIOD 17 MAY - 23 MAY 71)

LAOS

1. The town of DONG HENE (WD 3046) which was reported to be under heavy attack last week (SUPINTREP 20/71) has fallen to the enemy after reported heavy attacks by fire. Following a large scale ground assault the defending forces withdrew to the West, possibly intending to regroup at the town of SENO (VD 9943).
2. Sensor string activations in the Lactian Panhandle indicate that the flow of supplies to the South is continuing at an increased rate compared to the same period last year. The activations are consistent with the SLAR-indicated rate of 60 tons of supplies per day being moved South down Route 101C in NORTH VIETNAM.
3. Ambush patrols are continuing to harass enemy movements in Southern LAOS. On 14 May a convoy of 5 trucks and 2 amphibious tanks was ambushed on Route 23 near SARAVANE (XC323606). Two of the trucks exploded and both amphibious vehicles were damaged.

CAMBODIA

4. On 16 May ARVN troops engaged enemy forces at three positions in the Parrot's Beak (XT170076, XT170090 and XT168070). Cumulative results of the engagements, which were supported by tactical air strikes, were 21 enemy killed with no friendly losses. In three other contacts near NEAK LONG (WT437222) on 20 May, ARVN forces killed 22 and detained 2 enemy. Four ARVN troops were killed.
5. A large cache containing 1,000 Petard mines was uncovered West of KAMPONG TRACH (WT643588) on 21 May by ARVN forces. 30 enemy bodies killed by air were located in the vicinity. Another engagement in the same area (WT666619), which resulted in 7 enemy killed and one detained, also uncovered a cache containing 900 Petard mines, 720 grenades, 1,100 82mm mortar rounds, 18 B40 rounds and 23 75mm RR rounds. An aid station and an engineer workshop were also destroyed.

SOUTH VIETNAM MRs 1, 2 and 4

6. Activity in MR1 remained at a low level. On 21 May 2 US helicopters were shot down while suppressing a rocket firing position which was attacking a Fire Support Base just South of the Eastern DMZ. The enemy attack by fire with 11 122mm rockets resulted in 29 Americans killed and 33 wounded.
7. In MR4 on 18 May a District Headquarters in KIEN GIANG Province (WRO72840) received an attack by fire and a ground attack which destroyed the Headquarters. The attacking force was estimated to be 2 companies. The results were 14 friendlies and 7 enemy killed. On 19 May a contact between ARVN troops and an estimated 2 enemy battalions in KIEN GIANG Province resulted in 12 friendlies and 36 enemy killed.

MR3

Enemy Activity

8. Enemy initiated activity remained at a low level during the period.
9. On 19 May US and RF forces protecting land clearing teams contacted an enemy force near TRANG BANG (XT508208). 2 Americans were killed and 24 friendlies (including 7 US) were wounded. An M113 was destroyed and 6 were damaged. Enemy losses included 10 killed. The land clearing teams struck mines and sniper fire throughout 19 May.
10. RF elements contacted a large enemy force in TAY NINH Province on 18 May. 32 enemy were killed and 100 satchel charges, 5 B40 rounds and 12 grenades were captured.
11. There was no terrorist activity in SAIGON reported during the week.

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General.

12. 1 ATF troops were involved in five contacts during the week. Four enemy were killed. There were three contacts involving Sector forces, resulting in one enemy wounded and captured (YS233738), two other enemy wounded, and three RF wounded. One GVN soldier was killed and four were wounded in a mine incident.

Enemy Unit Identifications and Locations.

13. D445.

a. The main element of D445 is believed still to be in Southern LONG KHANH Province near the Route 2 border area. Documents found in a bunker system in this area on 17 May have provided a tentative identification of D445.

b. C1 Company, with SAU THU, the Commander, is still in the LONG HAI.

14. 3 Bn 33 NVA Regt.

This battalion is also believed to be in the Southern LONG KHANH border area.

15. CHAU DUC.

Group 13 are believed likely to be in the Southern LONG KHANH border area East of Route 2, although no contact has been made. There is no further information on the location of the probable two smaller groups from CHAU DUC believed to be inside the Province.

16. K8 Combat Sp Coy of BA LONG.

On 21 May a US Long Range Reconnaissance Patrol killed four members of K8 in an ambush near the Northern SONG RAI (YT644004). K8 has been unlocated recently but usually operates in close proximity to BA LONG Province Headquarters. A mortar element from K8 was probably with D445 in PHUOC TUY in Mar and Apr.

17. 274 Regt.

Four enemy soldiers killed in the Northern Province border area on 19 May were identified from documents as probably members of 274 VC Regt. On 22 May a Possum aircraft followed a fresh heavily used track (INTSUM 142/71 Annex E third item refers), from which the Possum took ground fire. Two airstrikes were conducted as ground fire continued. Identification of the enemy in the bunker system was not possible but 2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) Bn troops had been involved in a contact with 274 Regt troops in this area on 22 Mar (INTSUM 81/71 para 3. a. (3). (b) and INTSUM 83/71 ANNEX B para 2 refer). It is probable that the enemy in the bunkers and those using the track are an element of 274 Regt.

18. On 18 May Sector forces wounded and captured (at YS233738) a cell leader of the Farmers Association, PHU MY Village Unit. He has stated that the strength of the PHU MY Party Chapter and Village Unit is 20 and that they normally operate from two locations in the HAT DICH (area YS337779 and area YS367765), and in the RUNG SAT West of PHU MY. Recent agent reports support the PW's statement regarding PHU MY activity in the RUNG SAT (YS E 82-85, N.73-75) and also suggest PHU MY activity North of NUI THI VAI (YS E 27-30, N 72-76).

19. MR7.

On 20 and 21 May 3 Bde (Sep) 1 Cav Div (AM) troops operating in Southern NUI BE found a complex of 75 bunkers (YS844854) and 15 huts, ten of which were only partly completed. The area had been used within the previous 24 hours. Aircraft received ground fire from four different locations (YS848856, YS845868, YS870852 and YS838869). A camp of 43 bunkers was found in the same general area on 6 May (YS847854. See SUPINTREP 19/71 para 18). The enemy may be Rear Service elements of Military Region 7.

Enemy Capabilities and Intentions.


20. On 20 May in VUNG TAU a grenade was found and disarmed before it could explode. This is the first reported attempted terrorist incident in VUNG TAU for many months.

21. Since 10 May a further six males and one female have disappeared from LONG DIEN and DAT DO Districts. All are believed to have gone to join the VC. It is not known how many departed willingly. Four of these were PSDF. Three PSDF who disappeared earlier have since returned. Since 19 Mar a total of 19 persons have joined the VC from LONG DIEN and DAT DO Districts and have remained with them. The recent agent reports that LONG DAT is at present undertaking a recruiting campaign seem to be true.

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22. On 15 May a government supporter was assassinated near PHU MY (YS255734). Captured documents indicate that members of the PHU MY Village Unit took part in the assassination. This is the fourth assassination incident in PHUOC TUY since late Feb. BA LONG Province has stressed the importance of assassination as a means of attacking the Pacification Programme and incidents of this type may continue.
23. On 17 May an abortive attempt was made apparently to ambush an RAAF convoy on Route 15 South of LONG BINH. This attempt was probably made by 3 Bn 274 Regt which is known to have the task of interdicting Route 15. On 15 May an enemy force believed to be 1 Bn 274 Regt assisted by local force units carried out an attack by fire and a ground probe against an RF post West of XUAN LOC (YT318093). Six RF/PF were killed and 11 wounded, while eight enemy were killed. This attack constitutes the most significant offensive activity on the part of 274 Regt for at least the past year.
24. Apart from an apparent slight increase in the rate of infiltration into the LONG DIEN and DAT DO areas there has as yet been no indication of an enemy high point in the Province. However there was a slight increase in enemy activity in MR3 on 19 May, in honour of HO CHI MINH's birthday, and on 20 May BIARCAT (YT1601), BLACKHORSE (YS4396) and MACE (YT6211) received rocket attacks. One ARVN soldier was killed at BLACKHORSE.
25. D445, 3 Bn 33 Regt and CHAU DUC remain placed in a likely area from which to make an effort against a territorial post in the Northern Route 2 area.



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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 145/71.
2. Period covered from 250001H to 252400H May 71.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There no contacts with Task Force elements.
 - a. Ground Activity.
 - (1) AO ELSIE
(a) Late Report. (241355H). At YS503842, 5 Pl B Coy 3 RAR loc an E/W track used by an estimated 12 persons in preceding 2 days. No further information.
 - (2) AO DEBORAH.
(a) (251700H). At YS656807 12 Pl D Coy 3 RAR found a track running West then North used by approx 10 VC wearing HO CHI MINH sandals 4 - 5 hours old.
 - b. Air Activity.
 - (1) Omitted.
 - (2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See Annex E.
4. Enemy Personal and Equipment Losses.
 - a, b, c, d, e. Omitted.
 - f. Cumulative Totals for Month - MR3.
(2 - 4), (6), (8 - 21), (27). Omitted.

(1) KIA 6 VC	(22) SA Rds 40
(5) Individual Weapons	(23) Grenades 12
Action 4	(24) AP Mines 4
Caches 1	(25) AT Mines 2
(7) Rice Captured and Destroyed 251bs	(26) TNT 1/2lb
- 5, 6, 7. Omitted.
8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP No 21/71 dated 24 May 71.
- 9, 10. Omitted.
11. Miscellaneous.
 - a, b, c. Omitted.
 - d. Agent Reports. See Annex C.
 - e. Omitted
 - f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.
 - (1) (250330H). At YS3056 on LONG SON Island, VC entered the village and abducted 4 PSDF members, and seized 2 x carbines and 2 x M1 rifles.
 - (2) Late Report. (231900H). At YS218889 ac was shot down by SA fire resulting in 1 US KIA and 1 US WIA. Ground troops later inserted found 2 VC KIA.

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ANNEX C TO
1 ATF INTSUM 145/71
DATED 25 MAY 71

AGENT REPORTS

1. Received from DUC THANH 25 May 71. Eval 1 ATF F3.
 At 1700 on 24 May 71 near YS430740 and YS438728 VU-HIEN (Party Chapter Advisor) appeared with 2 other VC and at YS430720 DUNG (PCS BINH BA) appeared with 6 other VC. Source states there are 2 bunkers in the area.
2. Received from DUC THANH RD Cadre. Eval 1 ATF F3.
 On the night 18/19 May 71 at YS422744 one sect of VC infiltrated XA BINH BA. They were wearing mixed dress and were carrying 1 x B40, 3 x AK47, 2 x carbine M2 and jungle knives. 2 Cadre disguised as rubber tappers reced the situation of local military units by day and at night talked to youngsters about not joining local (PSDF/PF/RF) units.
3. Late Report. (231500H). Near YS378675. VN S2 reports the sighting of approx 90 VC in mixed dress armed with individual weapons, 1 x 82mm mortar, and an unknown number of B 40 and B41 RL. The source also revealed that each VC was carrying approx 3 litres of rice and that the VC questioned a boy about VK NTC (VAN KIEP NATIONAL TRG CENTRE)

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ANNEX E TO
1 ATF INTSUM NO 145/71
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AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE

1. Visual Recce.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>SIGHTING</u>
250730H	YS498834	A track running N/S and with recent movement appears to be S/N. In excess of 10 people have recently used the track.
251000H	E 75 - 78 N 73 - 75	Nil significant sightings though area not fully covered due to ac becoming US.
251200H	E 55 - 58 N 87 - 90	Nil significant sightings.
251400H	E 58 - 61 N 67 - 70	Nil significant sightings.

2, 3, 4. Omitted.

5. APD (Sniffer).

250915H YS5190 - YS5990 - YS5987 - YS5181.

Maximums YS526880

YS565890

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 146/71.
2. Period covered from 260001H to 262400H May 71.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were no contacts with Task Force elements.
 - a. Ground Activity.
 - (1) AO DEBORAH.
 - (a)(261225H). At YS634830, 10 Pl D Coy 3 RAR found two circular 4ft by 3ft holes apparently sentry posts. There was evidence of yam digging but no obvious tracks. Activity estimated to be one week old.
 - (b)(261435H). At YS633829 10 Pl D Coy 3 RAR found holes made by yam diggers and located two graves with two bodies 3 - 6 months old. A quantity of destroyed enemy equipment was also in the area. There were a number of small tracks in the area. Comment: The bodies could possibly be the 2 VC KIA by a 1 ATF ptl at this loc on 7 Apr.
 - (2) AO LISA.
 - (a)(261800H). At YS430874 2 Pl V Coy 4 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) found 5 graves and later at YS440880 another grave was located which was approx one month old. One grave was partially opened and found to be occupied. At YS430874 a 500lb UXB was found with the filling missing. The bomb had been carried to its present loc.
 - b. Air Activity.
 - (1) Omitted.
 - (2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See Annex E.
4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.
 - a, b, c, d, e. Omitted.
 - f. Cumulative Totals for Month-MR3.

(2 - 4), (6), (8 - 21), (27). Omitted.		
(1) KIA 6 VC	(22) SA rds	40
(5) Individual Weapons	(23) Grenades	12
Action 4	(24) AP Mines	4
Caches 1	(25) AT Mines	2
(7) Rice Captured and Destroyed 25 lbs	(26) TNT	1/2lb
- 5, 6, 7. Omitted.
8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP No 21/71 dated 24 May 71.
- 9, 10. Omitted.
11. Miscellaneous.
 - a. Amplification of Spot Reports.

Reference INTSUM 145/71 para 11 f (1) Delete item and insert:-

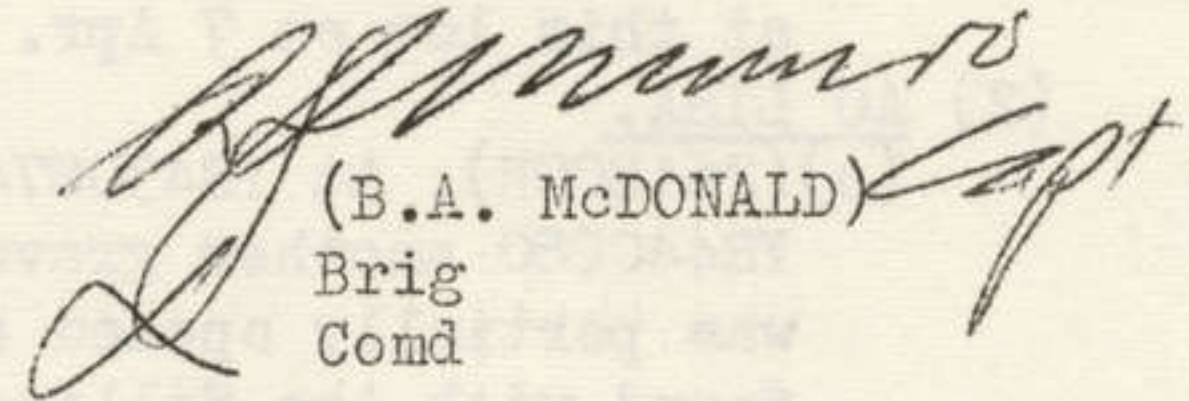
 - (1)(250200H). At LONG SON Island (YS3056) 20 VC entered the village and abducted nine PSDF members. Members were blind-folded and taken to an area believed to be at YS563287. Of these nine, four surrendered their weapons (carbines) to the VC. At 261000H all nine members returned to the village less the four rifles. The VC had warned them against rejoining the PSDF since this would result in the members being assassinated. Propaganda was distributed warning all people to disband from the PSDF. The guerilla unit contained elements of BARIA City Unit, LONG HUONG, LONG SON and PHUOC HOA.
 - b. Correction to Previous INTSUMS.
 - (1) INTSUM 145/71 Annex E para 5 amend YS526880 and YS565890 to strong not maximum readings.
 - c. Omitted.
 - d. Agent Reports See Annex C.
 - e. Omitted.
 - f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.
 - (1)(260050H). At YS427598 54 PF Pl were engaged by an estimated two squads of enemy, who approached from two directions and fired approx 2xB40 rds. At 0240H the enemy withdrew. Result 20 PSDF MIA and 18 carbines MIA, 2xCivs killed and 1x14 year old youth MIA, 1 BAR MIA. At 261110H LONG DIEN reported the arrest of one VCI. He is being interrogated by NP. Interrogation report to follow when available. Comment: The enemy group have not been identified. However, it appears likely that they were C1 Coy D445or LONG DAT elements from the LONG HAIs.
 - (2)(260100H). At YS509546 VC destroyed one 15 foot by 30 inch diameter culvert across Route 44. Road remains open.
 - (3)(260900H). Aircraft sighted what appeared to be a mirror flashing in two places in YS3086. Smoke was seen to be rising from approx loc.
 - (4)(261226H). At YS572780 an RAAF aircraft observed three persons dressed in black at the old FSB. MURJ location. When aircraft approached the three persons disappeared into the jungle.

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Extracts from 3 Bde (Separate) 1 Cav Div (AM) INTSUM.

- (1)(230855H). At YS854855 3 Bde tps while on search operations located 11 x DH 10 mines, 220lbs of unknown type of explosives, 20 litres of wine, a cooking set for wine production and a letter of appreciation from a rear service unit in VC MR - 7 to a rear service unit in BA LONG Province.
- (2)(240830H). At YS855852 3 Bde tps located a VN pattern typewriter set up with paper in the machine. Also located was 220lbs of flour in an unmarked bag which had been in location for approximately 6 months, one civilian 8 transistor AM/FM radio, 5 empty AK 47 mags, 3 VC claymore mines made of C4 explosive and glass, and 1 XAK47 ammunition vest which had been in location approximately 10 days.
- (3)(241745H). At YS849858 3 Bde tps while on a ground recce sighted two persons wearing greens and carrying AK47's 60 metres SW of location. Enemy were engaged but did not return fire. Nil cas.


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ANNEX C TO
1 ATF INTSUM NO 146/71
DATED 26 MAY 71

AGENT REPORTS

1. Received from LONG LE Sector 26 May 71 VN eval C2.
(251730H). Five guerillas including one female of the BARIA City Unit dressed in black and armed with 2 x AK47s, 2 x carbines and 1 x M16 appeared at YS367598 (TRANG DA LON). They asked fishermen for information about local government activities. When the people could not provide any information, they were told to find out about day and night activity and pass it on to the VC. After 20 mins the VC withdrew SOUTH.
2. Received from XUYEN MOC, 26 May 71.
Sighting by wood cutters of four VC wearing mixed clothing, one VC carrying a pistol and one other carrying an AK47. At 241400H VC were located ^{approx} at YS710806. The VC were gathering tax from the truck drivers who later claimed that they had not paid tax. However, it is more than likely that they had paid the necessary tax.
3. Received from RDC TAM PHOUC on 26 May 71, Aust eval C3.
At 252150H 20 plus VC infiltrated the village, they moved from the CHAU VAN TIEP TEMPLE to YS446583 (TAM PHUOC). The VC dropped leaflets and resupplied from houses in area YS484582. Comment: VC possibly members of the TAM PHUOC guerillas despite probable strength exaggeration.
4. Received from DUC THANH 26 May 71, VN eval C4.
On the 26 May at 1200H approx 1 Pl of C36 Sapper Recce unit appeared at YS500815. According to one VC they are going to attack local units in NGAI GIAO and BINH BA from now until the 1 Jun 71.
5. Received from DUC THANH 26 May 71, VN eval C3.
On the 26 May at 1800H NP sighted a Pl of VC dressed in greens and fully armed at YS448781.

ANNEX E TO
1 ATF INTSUM NO 146/71
DATED 26 MAY 71

AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE

1. Visual Recce

<u>DTG</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>SIGHTING</u>
261030H	E35 - 38 N84 - 87	At YS352849 a small column of blue wood smoke was rising out of heavy bamboo even after the canopy was disturbed with rockets the smoke source could not be seen. All the trees surrounding the area were wet from .../rain

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261400H E64 - 67 N73 - 76 rain.
2 parallel tracks approximately 15 metres apart and
running West to East were seen in a clearing at
YS656754. These may be up to a week old.

261410H E62 - 66 N89 - 92 Wood cutters were seen at YS6490. They consisted of
10 - 12 people, including 3 women, who were in a
yellow truck. After seeing helicopter circling they
moved North.

- 2, 3, 4. Omitted
- 5. APD (Sniffer).

<u>DTG</u>	<u>MAXIMUM</u>	<u>STRONG</u>	<u>MINIMUM</u>
261025H	YS565830 YS557811	YS574830 YS568830	

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 147/71.
2. Period covered from 270001H to 272400H May 71.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were two contacts with Task Force elements.
 - a. Ground Activity.
 - 1) AO LISA.
 - (a)(271400H). At YS391865, a tank of C Sqn 1 Armd Regt found a base camp of 12 fighting pits and one perimeter trench 60 - 70 ft long. The complex is estimated to be 18 months old and last used 12 months ago and was in poor condition. Entry/exit to South. At YS393863, a deep hole, stacks of bamboo and cans (NFI) of aerosol flyspray were found.
 - (2) AO ELSIE.
 - (a)(270830H). At YS477872, 3 Pl V Coy 4 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) Bn found a camp site with two sleeping platforms and a cache of food. (See para 4 e (2) (b) this INTSUM for details). Complex estimated to be two weeks old and used in preceding 24 hours.
 - (b)(271030H). 1 Pl V Coy 4 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) Bn heard approx six shots fired in area YS4991.
 - (c)(271425H). At YS477866, 1 Pl V Coy 4 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) Bn found a bunker system estimated to be six years old.
 - (d)(272050H). At YS432876, 2 Pl V Coy 4 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) Bn engaged an estimated two VC who were moving from East to West. No result available until sweep on morning of 28 May 71.
 - b. Air Activity.
 - (1) Omitted.
 - (2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See Annex E.
4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.
 - a. Total KIA Occurring This Reporting Period.
 - (1) Omitted.
 - (2) Aust Inflicted 4 VC
 - (3) Omitted.
 - b. c. d. Omitted.
 - e. Enemy Weapons and Material Captured or Destroyed.
 - (1), (2) Captured and Destroyed Material. (a). Omitted.
 - (b) Destroyed.
 - (a) At YS477872, 22 lbs rice, 22lbs beans, 16 lbs salt, 3 lbs split peas, 6 lb dry peppers, two bars soap, 2 oz insect repellent, one pkt curry powder, 1 bottle kerosene, one pair US combat boots, 8 dry batteries, one US canteen/cup, two M1 mags, quantity fruit, quantity onions, and a quantity of personal equipment items.
 - (3, 4, 5) Omitted.
 - f. Cumulative Totals for Month - MR 3.

(2 - 4), (6), (8 - 21), (27). Omitted.	
(1) KIA 10 VC	(22) SA rds 40
(5) Individual Weapons	(23) Grenades 12
Action 4	(24) AP Mines 4
Caches 1	(25) AT Mines 2
(7) Rice Captured and Destroyed 47 lbs.	(26) TNT 1/2lb
- 5, 6, 7. Omitted.
8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 20/71 dated 23 May 71
- 9, 10. Omitted.
11. Miscellaneous

Other Items Of Reporting Interest.

 - (1)(270800H) PRU arrested NGUYEN THI HAI of LONG SON (H) LONG DIEN (V) for allegedly supplying VC in Feb 71.
 - (2)(271000H). At XUYEN MOC (YS6568) NHAN NGHIA (H) and NHAN TRI (H) were screened by NP. Seven illegal residents were arrested. One VCS was detained. She is: NGUYEN THI LANG. Born 1919, wife of TRAN HUNG KHANH who is a member of XUYEN MOC (V) Farmer's Association. Her two sons, both of XUYEN MOC Guerilla Unit are also being held at XUYEN MOC NP Station for questioning.
 - (3)(261745H) Late Report. At YS464604, 54 PF Pl and Int Squad found two AK-47, one K-51 and two boots.
 - (4)(262150H) Late Report. At YS463602, 56 PF Pl engaged three VC who were moving from North to South. The enemy withdrew East with unknown results.

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 - (5)(251045H). At YT549145, 3 Bde tps engaged an unknown number of enemy. Contact broke and one enemy who was wounded surrendered. Results: One enemy wounded and captured; two AK-47, one set webbing, one poncho and 2 oz docu captured.

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Comment: Firm identification of PW not yet available. To be advised.

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ANNEX C TO
1 ATF INTSUM NO 147/71
DATED 27 MAY 71

AGENT REPORTS

1. NP Agent Report Eval VN C2, 1 ATF F3.

On 27 May 71 at 0130H, three male and one female VC entered HUONG SON (H) (YS3561) LONG HUONG (V) where they collected rice and withdrew after one hour. The group included TU CANG, Chief F and E Sect BARIA City Unit. Comment: Consistent reports of visits of VC to this area have been received.

2. NP Agent Report Eval VN C3, 1 ATF F5.

It was reported on 26 May 71 that C4/D445 was located at YS655624 and it was to join another unspecified sub-unit of D445 to ambush convoys on Route 23 in the May - June 71 period. C4 was commanded by SAU LAC. Comment: There have been several reports of a group from C4 in the XUYEN MOC area. However, no confirmation has been able to be obtained. SAU LAC Commands C4.

3. NP Agent Report Eval 1 ATF F3.

It is reported that from 27 May 71, the VC will conduct arrests of PSDF in DAT DO District, and in particular in PHUOC THO (YS4959) and HOI MY (YS5256).

4. Agent Report Eval VN C3, 1 ATF F3.

One squad of VC from BINH BA Party Chapter was seen at YS430720 on 25 May 71.

5. Agent Report Eval 1 ATF F6.

On 26 May 71 at 0900H, 2 VC were observed at YS485928.

6. Agent Report Eval 1 ATF F6.

On 24 May 71 in the late afternoon, five VC were observed at YS432925.

7. PRU Agent Report received 22 May 71 Eval VN C3 1 ATF F3.

During the time from 2000H to 0300H on the nights of 18 - 21 May 71, seven VC from PHUOC LOI Guerilla Unit were at YS507576 from where they moved to YS505572. At the latter grid they collected taxes and food.

8. PRU Agent Report received 23 May 71 Eval VN C3 1 ATF F3.

A group of 10 VC from LONG MY Village Guerillas entered homes along Route 44 at YS508547 to collect taxes and food. They usually come from the SouthWest at 2100H.

9. PRU Agent Report received 22 May 71 Eval VN C3 1 ATF F2.

A group of six VC are often at YS458577. They ask workers to purchase food.

ANNEX E TO
1 ATF INTSUM NO 147/71
DATED 27 MAY 71

AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE

1. Visual Recce.

DTG
270640H

LOCATION
YS645583

SIGHTING

Tracks in grass with flattened rest area. Tracks ran North-South, possibly animal tracks.

270700H

YS647658-YS633653

Oxcarts driving on verge of road 20 metres North of road way. Road appeared in normal condition and later in the morning the road was in normal use. XUYEN MOC are not believed to suspect any suspicious circumstances.

270730H

YS38 - 41 E
YS84 - 87 N

The rubber in the NE border of this area is currently being worked.

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271000H YS51 - 54 E
YS86 - 89 N

YS516878. UXB, probably 8 in shell with top removed and contents taken. No other signs in the area apart from tracks probably made by friendly forces on 10 May 71.

271200H YS57 - 58 E
YS67 - 72 N

No significant sightings.

YS58 - 61 E
YS70 - 73 N

No significant sightings.

271400H YS28 - 31 E
YS68 - 71 N

BUDDHISTS who formerly lived at YS278684 are no longer there. No sighting of recent activity.

- 2, 3, 4. Omitted.
- 5. APD (Sniffer).

<u>DTG</u>	<u>MAXIMUM</u>	<u>STRONG</u>	<u>MINIMUM</u>
270900-	YS578674	YS578689	YS572709
1030H	YS578686	YS578698	YS578678
	YS578694	YS578705	YS578603
		YS589722	YS578709
	YS578700	YS602701	YS597734
			YS603716

Comment: These readings may have be suspect due to a technical fault in the machine which developed during the mission. See report of VR flown at 271200H, which was flown to check area of readings.

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 148/71 dated 28 May 71.
2. Period Covered from 280001H to 282400H May 71.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were no contacts with Task Force elements.

a. Ground Activity.

(1) AO LISA.

(a) Reference INTSUM 147/71 para 3. a. (2) (d). A morning sweep of contact area (YS432876), by 2 Pl V Coy 4 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) Bn revealed a trace of one person but no results.

(2) AO DEBORAH.

(a) (281600H). At YS663832, ptl from 11 Pl D Coy 3 RAR found fresh tracks of 3-5 pers which appear to have been made yesterday. The track runs SE/NW.

(3) Other Areas.

(a) (272214H). At FSB JANE (YS4584), 3 VC were eng with claymores and M16 fire. En withdrew in unk direction with unk results.

b. Air Activity.

(1) Omitted.

(2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See Annex E.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a., b., c., d. and e. omitted.

f. Cumulative Totals for Month - WR 3.

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|----------------------------------|----------|----------------------|--------|
| (1) KIA VC | 7 | (8) to (21) omitted. | |
| (2), (3) and (4) | omitted. | (22) SA rds | 40 |
| (5) Individual Wpns. | | (23) Grenades | 12 |
| Action | 4 | (24) AP mines | 4 |
| Caches | 1 | (25) AT mines | 2 |
| (6) Omitted | | (26) TNT | 1/2 lb |
| (7) Rice Captured and Destroyed. | 47 lbs. | (27) Omitted. | |

(5) Omitted.

(6) Omitted.

(7) Omitted.

(8) Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 20/71 dated 23 May 71.

(9) Omitted.

(10) Omitted.

(11) Miscellaneous.

a., c. and e. omitted

b. Correction to Previous INTSUM.

(1) INTSUM 147/71 para 11. (2), NGUYEN THI LANG's sons are not being held at XUYEN MOC NP Station.

f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

Extracts from 3 Bde (Sep) 1 (US) ACD (AM) INTSUM of 26 May 71.

- (1) (261030H). At YS734959, 3 Bde tps loc an E/W logging road with use in last 3 hours by one pers moving E.
- (2) (260730H). At YS791882, 3 Bde tps heard 2 rds of SA fire from 600m NW.
- (3) (261125H). At YS737864, 3 Bde tps loc a campfire site used in last 4 hours by 4 pers moving NE.
- (4) (261440H). At YS798880, 3 Bde tps loc an E/W track used in last 12 hours by 3 pers.
- (5) (261300H). At YS846854, 3 Bde tps loc 300 lb TNT wrapped in green plastic.
- (6) (261500H). At YS848854, 3 Bde tps discovered 1 tool kit which incl 3 wrenches, 4 drill bits and 1 hand-held blow torch.

Other Areas

- (7) (272230H). At YS651673, 612 RF Coy eng 3 VC who were apparently attempting to breach the perimeter wire. En withdrew in an unk direction with unk casualties
- (8) (272300H). At YS429589, PRU eng 4 VC who withdrew NW with unk results. Arty was fired in support.
- (9) (281325H). At YS548561, a soldier of 615 RF Coy stepped on an M16 mine which did not explode. There were no casualties and mine was destroyed. It is estimated that the mine was new and had been in position for 2 weeks.
- (10) (Prior to 280435H). At YS342797, RED HAZE ac detected 2 "hot" readings which were eng by RTAVF Arty with unk results.

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ANNEX B TO
1 ATF INTSUM No 148/71
DATED 28 MAY 71

CAPTURED DOCUMENTS

1. The following are full translations of enemy propaganda documents distributed on LONG SON and calling for action to bring about the disbandment of the PSDF (GVN Peoples Self Defence Force) and other security agencies:-

Document No 1. Instructions for Disbanding The PSDF.

The PSDF are soldiers without salary who create difficulties and oppress the people in villages and hamlets. The PSDF is an agency of the Americans and the THIEU-KY-KHIEM regime which procures soldiers for "Vietnamization", which is a programme designed to make Vietnamese fight Vietnamese.

In order to break the enemy (GVN) control of our people and to defeat the Special Pacification Programme -- the main plank of "Vietnamization" of the Americans and their puppets (GVN) so that the sons of our Fatherland can return to the people's just cause:-

The LONG SON Village Committee orders as follows:-

Article No 1. All types of PSDF in LONG SON Village should immediately fire at the heads of the tyrants and then take their weapons and join the revolutionary ranks. Give your weapons (to the VC), do not go on sentry, struggle for discharge.

Article No 2. Those who have husbands and sons in the PSDF should call on them to struggle resolutely for immediate discharge. The Revolutionary Committee is not responsible for the lives of people who disobey this order.

Article No 3. Guerillas of LONG SON Village, (VC) Armed Forces who come to operate in LONG SON Village, (VC) cadres, (VC) soldiers and people of LONG SON Village should make every effort to kill the people who disobey the instructions of the Revolutionary Committee.

The Revolutionary Committee
of LONG SON Village.

Document No 2. Instructions for Disbanding Hamlet and Village Authorities, Public Security (Agencies), Spies, PHUNG HOANG, "THIEN NGA", and Intelligence (Agencies) of The Pacification Programme.

The authorities of hamlets and villages, public security (agencies) and spies, PHUNG HOANG (anti-VCI agency), "THIEN NGA" (unk), intelligence and Rural Development cadre are the cruel organisations which impede and attack the revolutionary movement in local areas, and create much suffering for our people in villages, in order to carry out the Pacification and Vietnamization of the American and the THIEU-KY-KHIEM (regime). In order to break up this control of our people and to punish thoroughly the stubborn persons who have perpetrated many crimes, and to defeat the Special Pacification Programme and Vietnamization of the Americans and puppets (GVN) -

The Revolutionary Committee of LONG SON orders:-

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Article No 1. These people must come to the Revolutionary Committee confess their crimes, and struggle for an immediate discharge. They will be shown clemency.

Article No 2. The (VC) security section, cadre, (VC) soldiers and people of LONG SON Village should immediately compile records of the crimes of these (GVN) people, who work either openly or secretly, in LONG SON, recording where they come from. These records should be sent to the Revolutionary Committee.

Article No 3. Guerillas, (VC) armed security, cadre, (VC) soldiers and people should pursue and kill these stubborn persons.

The Revolutionary Committee
of LONG SON Village

2. Documents captured in the Northern Province border area from the body of one VC KIA identify a member of 274 Regt who was possibly a courier from HQ 274 Regt. They included:

a. A report from a member of D2 (probably 2 Bn 274 Regt) to E (possibly HQ 274 Regt) stating that no ARVN activity was observed from a tower in D2's area.

b. A report stating intentions to attack a vehicle in an unknown location on an unknown date.

c. Several pages of sets of four figure numbers (possibly a code).

d. A notebook given by TRANG TIET QUANG (Asst Comd, Pol Sect, HQ 274 Regt) to LE DINH HIEN (unk). Included were:

(1) A list of names (unk).

(2) A list of radio regulations mentioning D1 (1 Bn 274 Regt), D2 (2 Bn 274 Regt) and E (HQ 274 Regt).

(3) One page dated 13 Apr 71 lists a total of 33 bags of rice deposited in various unknown storage areas.

(4) A page dated 14 Apr 71 noting the rice ration issued on a basis of 10 litres for each member.

(a) Party Chapter - 4 members.

(b) B1 - 4 members.

(c) B2 - 4 members.

(5) A page noting the following:

(a) 3 enemy (ARVN) platoons up to 1530H operated in the railroad area from YT305085 to YT302084.

(b) 1 platoon operating S-N of the railroad at YT287087, waiting for the train to move.

(c) At 1330H, 1 platoon fired from LO THAN (unk) to a point X.

(d) H22 (2 Bn 274 Regt) is trying to carry out the basic plan. COMMENT: This is the only positive identification throughout the document of 274 Regt. Even though this refers to 2 Bn, the majority of the documents appear to refer to the entire Regt, and for this reason it is thought that the documents were possibly taken from a courier from HQ 274 Regt.

(6) Finally the notebook has a list of names and unit designations as follows:

LE HONG TUYEN	A10 (F.E, SR4)	H10 (Coy 274 Regt)
LE XUAN LUI	AE12(unk)	A12 (Youth Proselyting SR4)
LE LAO LUYEN	C1 (various idents)	B1 (various idents)
LE CONG HENH	E13 (unk)	H13 (rear Svcs 274 Regt)

COMMENT: No conclusion can be drawn from these lists, as the names cannot be identified. The documents however, clearly refer to 274 Regt.

ANNEX C

AGENT REPORTS

1. Received DUC THANH 28 May 71. Eval VN C2. 1 ATF F3.

On 26-27 May 71 at YS440890 and at YS448880, 15 VC of 84 Rear Svcs Gp were attempting to buy food. COMMENT: 84 Rear Svcs Gp is disbanded but it is still often referred to locally.

2. PRU agent report received 28 May 71. Eval VN C3. 1 ATF F3.

9 VC appeared at YS647674 on night of 27 May 71. This is a sapper recce unit of D445. They came to observe 612 RF Coy compound at YS647674. COMMENT: This is a reference to the reported incident at para 11. f. (7) of this INTSUM. There have been a number of reports so far unconfirmed, that a group from D445, possibly an element of C4, may be in the area of XUYEN MOC.

3. From RDC received 28 May 71. Eval 1 ATF F4.

A small group of VC infiltrated TAM PHOUC (YS4558) and revealed they were intending to attack the village.

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4. Agent Report received Sector S2 on 28 May 71. Eval VN C2. 1 ATF F3.
Over the last several days a section of VC was located at YS292574. There they taxed and collected food from locals.
5. NP Agent Report received on 28 May 71. Eval VN C3. 1 ATF F2.
About one platoon of VC were located at YS442781.
6. PRU received on 28 May 71. Eval VN C3. 1 ATF F3.
At present VC are sending down into PHUOC TUY a number of sapper cadres who are trained in demolition. They plan to blow up GVN offices and installations. They will also collect info about other villages and districts.
7. PRU Report received on 25 May 71. Eval VN C3. 1 ATF F3.
3 VC from TAM PHUOC were located at YS449576 asking about GVN ambush positions.
8. Agent Report received Sector on 25 May 71. Eval VN C3. 1 ATF F3.
About 2 sections of VC from Party Chapters of PHUOC BUU and XUYEN MOC were located near YS624650. They intend to follow activities of Aust engrs working on Route 23 and intend carrying out mining activity.
9. NP Agent Report received on 27 May 71. Eval VN C2.
A group of 15-18 VC were located at YS249649, asking about Aust and PSDF activities and strengths.

ANNEX E

AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE

1. Visual Recce

<u>DTG</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>SIGHTING</u>
280730H	YS367848 YS376857	3 pits by creek last used 3 months ago. 2 pits seen but difficult to tell when last used because of undergrowth. Could have been used approx 2 weeks ago.
281200H	YS583728	Track leads from river to YS577724 which appeared to be a lie up area for approx 4 persons. Track not used for over a month but in places it could have been used for a few yards and crossed by a small number of people within last 2 weeks.
281400H	YS E 31-33 N 63-67	YS330644, 1 person seen dressed in black. YS313628, 4 children on bicycles seen heading S. No other sightings.

2. Omitted.
3. Omitted.
4. Omitted.
5. Omitted.

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM Np 149/71.
2. Period covered from 290001H to 292400H May 71.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were no contacts with Task Force elements.

a. Ground Activity

(1) AO HEATHER

(a)(282300H) Late Report. At YS552639, a tank from C Sqn 1 Armd Regt engaged one enemy moving North. The enemy withdrew South with unknown results.

b. Air Activity

(1) Omitted.

(2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See Annex E.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a, b, c, d. Omitted.

e. Enemy Weapons and Material Captured or Destroyed

(1 - 3, 5) Omitted.

(4) Captured Documents. See Annex B.

f. Cumulative Totals for Month - MR 3.

(2 - 4), (6), (8 - 21), (27) Omitted.

(1) KIA 7 VC

(5) Individual Weapons

Action 4

Caches 1

(7) Rice Captured and Destroyed 471bs

(22) SA Rds 40

(23) Grenades 12

(24) AP Mines 4

(25) AT Mines 2

(26) TNT 1/2lb

5, 6, 7. Omitted.

8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No Change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP No 20/71 dated 23 May 71.

9, 10 Omitted.

11. Miscellaneous.

a, b, c, e. Omitted.

d. Agent Reports See Annex C.

f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

(1) On 26 May 71, NGUYEN VAN LAM aged 13 years, a cattle herder from PHUOC HOA LONG (V) is suspected to have been kidnapped by VC at NUI NHAN (YS4379). His family are known to be Government supporters.

(2)(291200H). At YS511528, NP operation located a bunker (4 ft x 4 x 3) which was destroyed. Recovered were: One M2 carbine, one M-16 mine and one claymore mine. The carbine is alleged to belong to LE VAN CHAU who is said to be Deputy President of the "Sympathisers of the BATTLE FIELD" of PHUOC HAI.

(3)(281030H). At YT460010, 35 PF observed a squad of VC. Results: One PF beaten to death with limb from rubber tree.

Extracts from 3 Bde (Sep) 1 ACD (AM).

(4)(280845H). At YT776262, 3 Bde tps killed three enemy. One enemy was WIA and captured. From preliminary interrogation the PW was believed to belong to 3 Bn 33 NVA Regt. Just prior to his capture he was with 20 other personnel of his unit proceeding on an unknown mission. He stated his HQ base camp was one hours walk to NE from point of capture. He was evacuated to CONG HOA Hospital.

Comment: Further information required. PW is reported to be a cook and probably knows little.

(5)(281430H). At YT807279, 3 Bde tps found 10 bunkers 8x5x4 fr with 2ft OHP.

Recovered were: 35lbs assorted clothing and 8lb of docus. Bunkers to be destroyed.

(6)(281305H). At YS810937, 3 Bde tps found a 12 inch wide track running East - West, used by one - three persons in preceding two hours.

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DATED 29 MAY 71

Reference: TRAC PERINTREP 3/71.

1. TRAC advise that documents captured on 8 May 71 at YT583234 by 1 ACD, indicate that the Reconnaissance Platoon of 33 NVA Regt has been carrying out Sapper Training in Southern XUAN LOC District.

ANNEX C TO

1 ATF INTSUM NO 149/71
DATED 29 MAY 71

AGENT REPORTS

1. Received from Sector S2 29 May 71. Eval VN C2 1 ATF F2.
At 1300H on 28 May 71, C610 (BARIA City Special Action Unit) and the LONG HUONG Guerillas, strength approx 12, were seen disguised as civilians at YS350592. They enquired about friendly force activities and about PF Posts in XA LONG HUONG. Their intentions were to infiltrate AP HUONG GIANG (YS3561) and XA LONG HUONG (YS3561) to obtain food and to cause trouble.
2. Received from Sector S2 29 May 71. Eval VN C2, 1 ATF F3.
At 1500H on 28 May 71, the PHUOC HOA Village Guerillas of approx six persons (incl one female) were located at YS252658. At approx 2200H on most nights they infiltrate AP ONG TRINH (YS2568) to obtain food.
3. PRU Report received -- 27 May 71. Eval VN C3 1 ATF F3.
It is reported that at present in the area YS239656 - YS228657, there is a platoon of BIEN HOA Rear Service (NFI) who have been tasked to protect C5 (Possibly Team 2 BARIA Unit) resupply operations in AP ONG TRINH (YS2568) as resupply activities in the village have been achieving poor results.
4. PRU Report received 27 May 71. Eval VN C2 1 ATF F3.
At 1400H on 27 May 71, a group of more than 10 VC from F and E Sect LONG SON Village Party Chapter held a meeting around AP BEN DIEP (YS279555) in which they threatened the villagers told them to provide food for the VC in "Liberated areas" (NFI). They asked the villages if they thought the VC should attack the military operations base on LONG SON. The meeting ended at 1530H and the VC withdrew to YS253562 and established a base camp and secure area for the LONG SON Village Party Chapter.
5. PRU Report received 261700 May 71. Eval VN C3 1 ATF F3.
The source reported that BA LONG Province Committee is forming a new unit designated C21, which is to replace C25 (LONG DAT District Unit) because C25 has suffered heavy casualties. To obtain reinforcements the Recce Pl (C5) of D445 LF Bn is to

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operate in the villages to capture PSDF members, who will be sent to the MAY TAO Secret area for indoctrination. The source also states that some PSDF members who have previously been captured by the VC have provided tactical information of other posts and government offices etc where PSDF are deployed to facilitate further kidnappings of PSDF personnel.

Comment: Further information required before the existence of C21 can be accepted.

ANNEX E TO

1 ATF INTSUM NO 149/71

DATED 29 MAY 71

AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE

1. Visual Recce.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>SIGHTING</u>
290800H	Area YS 40 - 42 E 83 - 87N	Area of thick vegetation. No sign of recent enemy activity seen.
291000H	Area YS 69 - 71 E 66 - 70 N	Light track one - two weeks old from YS687695 to YS685697, where two stacks of logs 10ft - 12 ft long by 4 inch - 8 inch diameter seen. No other signs of activity observed.
291200H	Area YS 44 - 48 E 63 - 67 N	Large numbers of civilians working in fields in whole area. At YS461655, oxcart with six children and one deer carcass on cart. Later three men arrived and jointed the deer and removed the portions.
291400H	Area YS 65 - 68 E 84 - 87 N	No sign of recent activity.

2, 3, 4, 5. Omitted

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 150/71.
2. Period Covered from 300001H to 302400H May 71.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were no contacts with Task Force elements.

a. Ground Activity.

(1) (301430H). In area YS4367, a sweep around perimeter by 1 ARU resulted in nine youths detained inside non civil access area. They have been handed to NP at HOA LONG and have not been classified.

b. Air Activity.

(1) Omitted.

(2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See Annex E.

4. a., b., c., d. and e. omitted.

f. Cumulative Totals for Month - MR 3.

(1) KIA	7 VC	(9) to (21) omitted.	
(2), (3) and (4)	omitted.	(22) SA rds	40
(5) Individual Wpns		(23) Grenades	12
Action	4	(24) AP mines	4
Caches	1	(25) AT mines	2
(6) Omitted.		(26) TNT	1/2 lb
(7) Rice Captured and Destroyed	47 lbs	(27) Omitted.	
(8) Salt Captured and Destroyed	16 lbs		

5. Omitted.

6. Omitted.

7. Omitted.

8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP No 21/71 dated 24 May 71.

9. Omitted.

10. Omitted.

11. Miscellaneous.

a., b., c. e. and f. omitted.

d. Agent Reports. See Annex C.

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ANNEX C TO
1 ATF INTSUM No 150/71
DATED 30 MAY 71

AGENT REPORT

1. 18 ARVN Regt Agent Report. Eval VN B1. 1 ATF F3.

An agent reported that at 0800H on 30 May 71, there was a group of 300VC at YS430900.
COMMENT: Despite the 1 ATF grading of F3, the numbers quoted are probably a considerable exaggeration. However, as a result of recent events it has been deduced that 1 Bn 274 VC MF Regt are probably in this general area. Their strength is believed to be approx 100 (see Annex F to INTSUM 144/71)

ANNEX E

AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE

1. Visual Recce.

<u>DTG</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>SIGHTING</u>
300800H	Area YS 69-72 E YS 84-87 N	No sighting of recent activity.
301000H	Area YS 73-76 E YS 77-80 N YS733770	Numerous animal tracks seen in clearings. Track runs N skirting jungle, turns E-W then joins N-S track through YS743767 and two clearings and crosses stream at YS744779. Track est to be five days old and used by 20-30 pers. Direction of movement S to N
301000H	YS754786	Long N-S track through YS754786 joined track at YS752794 and YS751799 showing signs of movement of 20 pers in last week. Direction of movement from W to E.
301000H	YS760779 YS765778 YS770779	Track showed signs of movement of up to 10 pers approx 5 days old. Direction of movement from W to E.
301200H	Area YS 28-32 E YS 71-73 N	Woodcutters working far Northern face of NUI THI VAI and as far as the 33 Easting. No significant sightings.
301400H	Area YS 54-57 E YS 84-87 N	No sign of recent movement in the area.

2. Omitted.

3. Omitted.

4. Omitted.

5. APD (Sniffer).

300915 Area YS5290-YS6090-YS6086-YS5286.

All readings recorded and the high winds indicate the source of readings was FSB ZIGGIE.

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1. 1st Australian Task Force INTSUM No 151/71 dated 31 May 71.
2. Period Covered from 310001H to 312400H May 71.
3. Summary of Enemy Activity. There were no contacts with Task Force Elements.

a. Ground Activity.

(1) AO LISA

(a) (310530H). At YS473898, 1 Pl V Coy 4 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) Bn eng a person carrying a torch in a shack. A sweep of the area revealed nil results.

(b) (311420H). At YS405877 HQ and 1 Pl V Coy 4 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) Bn found a base camp used in the last 24 hours by approx 30 en. Also observed was a track leading W (NFI).

(c) (311630H). At YS364715, 9 Pl C Coy 4 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) Bn loc a camp consisting of 6 wpn pits with 12" of OHP and 15 wpn pits without OHP. The camp was last used 12 months ago. COMMENT: Possibly an old CHAU DUC District base camp.

b. Air Activity.

(1) Omitted.

(2) Aerial Reconnaissance. See Annex E.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses.

a., b., c., d. and e. omitted.

f. Cumulative Totals for Month MR - 3

(1) KIA VC 7

(2), (3) and (4) omitted.

(5) Individual Wpns

Action 4

Caches 1

(6) Omitted.

(7) Rice Captured and Destroyed 47 lbs

(8) Salt Captured and Destroyed 16 lbs

(9) to (21) omitted.

(22) SA rds 40

(23) Grenades 22

(24) AP mines 4

(25) AT mines 2

(26) TNT 1/2 lb

(27) Omitted.

5. Omitted.

6. Omitted.

7. Omitted.

8. Capabilities and Vulnerabilities. No change to 1 ATF SUPINTREP 22/71 dated 31 May 71.

9. Omitted.

10. Omitted.

11. Miscellaneous.

a., b., c. and e. omitted.

d. Agent Reports. See Annex C.

f. Other Items of Reporting Interest.

(1) Late Report. At 0245H on 30 May 71 at YS513980, 10 VC sappers attacked the RF outpost at TRUNG HIEU Hamlet. They fired B40s and threw hand grenades. Results: 2 PF WIA, 4 PSDF WIA, 1 VC KIA.

(2) At 0820H on 31 May 71 at YS598598 and YS599597 a RAAF ac observed fishing nets across the river. At YS604589 there is a partially flooded sampan.

Extracts from 3 Bde (Sep) 1 ACD (AM) INTSUMS.

(3) (291330H). At YS756987, 3 Bde tps detained 4 pers who stated that they had been helping to unload an ARVN truck. They were released. Heard a warning shot 300m N. A check of the area revealed neg results.

(4) (291300H). At YS813955, 3 Bde tps loc a N-S track used recently by 2-3 pers moving S.

(5) (291500H). At YS814950, 3 Bde tps loc 1 bunker, 4' x 5' x 5' with 2' of OHP. The bunker had not been used recently.

(6) (291925H). At YS813956, 3 Bde tps heard 2 shots. At 291935H at YS811932 a further 2 shots were heard.

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- (7) (300100H). At YS898858, 3 Bde tps saw movement 75-100m E of their loc. The area was eng with mortars with neg results.
- (8) (301030H). At YS813920, 3 Bde tps loc 2 bunkers 4' x 4' x 6' with 1' OHP. One bunker had been used to store rice and milk which had been removed in the last 7 days.
- (9) (301315H). At YS813925, 3 Bde tps sighted en in a defense position 100-150m SE. En evacuated the position.
- (10) (301630H). At YS813928, 3 Bde tps loc a camp consisting of 4 bunkers 4' x 4' x 4' with 10" of OHP, 1 latrine trench 2' x 1' x 6', 1 hut 6' x 6' x 6' and a stack of firewood. An E-W track used in the last 12 hours was also loc.

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ANNEX A TO
1 ATF INTSUM No 151/71
DATED 31 MAY 71

INTERROGATION REPORT
DETAINEE - TONG NAN DINH

Biographical Data.

1. a. POB: CAM MY
b. Rank/Appt: soldier in Communist Liaison Cell.
c. Unit: CAO SU (D) Unit
d. Circumstances of Capture: The subject having wanted to rally for some time, waited until the Communist Liaison Cell was moving from its loc in the BINH SON Rubber to the SUOI TRO Area, and then made good his escape.

Information.

2. The subject states he was captured by the CAM MY Guerillas in 1965 and worked in the Production Cell for a while until he was transferred to the Communist Liaison Cell of CAO SU (D). The subject states that because he had made known that he wanted to live with his family in CAM MY, he was kept under guard throughout his time with the VC at BINH SON (YS3090)

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3. The subject gives an inaccurate and very limited ORBAT of CAO SU (D). The subject states that the unit has been operating in the SUOI TRE area for the last 8 months.

1 ATF COMMENT:

The subject is an illiterate Montagnard, who has been with the VC for several years, but still does not appear to know very much.

ANNEX C

AGENT REPORTS

1. Received from DAT DO 31 May 71. Eval VN C3.1 ATF F4.
At 1000H 31 May 71 at YS563572, 30 VC were observed. Their intentions were unknown.
2. Received from DAT DO 31 May 71. Eval VN C2.1 ATF F3.
At YS465539 30 VC were seen. Their intentions were to infiltrate PHUOC HAI, PHUOC HOA LONG and HOI MY to obtain food and to collect taxes.
3. Received from Sector S2 31 May 71. 1 ATF eval F3.
At 1100H 31 May 71 60 NVA moved S past YS401858 towards XA BANG. They were aged between 18 and 23 and were dressed in khaki and green, cloth hats and rubber sandals. They were armed with 2 x 82mm mortars, 2 x 57mm recoilless rifles and many B40s and B41s. They were rationed with 1 litre of rice per man. Their intentions were to combine with local guerilla forces and attack 626 RF Coy at XA BANG (YS461834) and Aust tps at YS455852.
COMMENT: Possibly elements of 1 Bn 274 Regt.

ANNEX E

AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE

1. Visual Recce

<u>DTG</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>SIGHTING</u>
310730H	YS336649	Paper and tins in the area indicate use in the last 2 weeks by 3 or 4 people. <u>COMMENT:</u> Possibly elements of BARIA City Unit.
	YS669832	A platform similar to one reported in INTSUM No 135/71 Annex E, 1. d. is loc 200m N of this grid. The platform reported at this grid is no longer at the loc.
311000H	E 74-77 N 79-82	No sign of recent activity.
311200H	E 69-72 N 86-89	No sign of recent activity.

2. Omitted.
3. Omitted.
4. Omitted.
5. APD (Sniffer)

310900H in area E 72-78, N 82-86.
All readings received were from ac. exhausts.

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(PERIOD 24 MAY - 30 MAY 71)

NORTH VIETNAM

1. Aerial photography has shown that DONG HOI airfield is in an advanced state of repair. All bomb craters have been filled and ^{the} runway is serviceable for limited MiG operations. Re-introduction of this airfield into service will enhance the North Vietnamese capability to conduct air operations into Southern LAOS or ground support sorties in MR 1. As there are no MiG aircraft deployed South of the 20th parallel it is unlikely that NORTH VIETNAM intends to conduct out of country operations in the near future.

LAOS

2. Truck activity in the past week indicated by SLAR has shown a daily average of 92 tons of supplies being shipped South on Route 101C in NORTH VIETNAM. This constitutes an increase, as the average for the past 30 days has been only 75 tons. However, due to difficulties in movement in the wet season, this increase is not reflected in supplies passing through the Laotian Panhandle. The enemy will ^{no} doubt be forced to begin man-packing if he is to keep up the flow of supplies.

3. The activity around DONG HENE slackened during the week. Only one contact with, possibly two enemy battalions, was reported. It occurred North of DONG HENE near KENG KOK.

4. On 23 and 26 May the town of BOUAM LONG (UG260860) received a ground attack by two NVA companies, preceded by three attacks by fire. Cumulative results were 30 friendlies killed and 27 wounded, and 42 enemy killed. Most of the friendly casualties were dependents of the irregular forces defending the town.

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5. The TOAN TANG AO has remained quiet while the enemy appears to be regrouping. On 24 May ARVN forces received 200 82mm mortar rounds with unknown results near SUONG (WU795010). 15 of the attacking enemy force were subsequently killed by air.

6. In the area around SNOUL (XU551348) heavy fighting took place on 26 and 28 May. ARVN forces were supported by artillery and tactical air. Enemy losses were reported to be 175 killed while the ARVN lost 20 killed and 80 wounded. On 28 May an ARVN FAC aircraft reported sighting 120 enemy bodies killed by air, also in the vicinity of SNOUL.

SOUTH VIETNAM MRs 1, 2 AND 4.

7. In MR 1 only a few attacks by fire and ground attacks were reported.

8. On 25 May ARVN troops on a B52 BDA mission near Fire Support Base FULLER discovered 60 enemy killed by air and a cache containing 98 122mm rockets, 500 140mm rockets, 500 57mm recoilless rifle rounds and 1000 Bangalore torpedoes. The discovery of this cache has probably pre-empted a planned assault against FSB FULLER.

9. During the week the HUE-DANANG railway was mined twice and there was an attack by fire of 6 122mm rockets against CHU LAI (BT5406) which resulted in no damage or casualties.

10. Enemy initiated activity in MR 2 remained at a low level except in the area of the B-3 Front where there was a noticeable increase in attacks against ARVN positions. This increase in activity may represent the beginning of the Front's monsoon campaign which PWs claim is intended to last throughout the rainy season.

11. Three RF/PF posts were overrun in MR 4 during the week (XS087158, WR553660, WR650356). Cumulative results were 19 friendlies killed, five wounded and three missing, 13 civilians were killed and 32 weapons were lost. Enemy losses are unknown.

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12. There was an increase in enemy activity during the week.

13. East of TRANG BANG (XT559272) US forces received 20 82mm mortar rounds and a ground probe resulting in 2 friendlies killed (1 US) and 27 wounded (18 US). The enemy suffered 13 killed and one wounded. A cache was found near PHUOC VINH (YT120493) containing 49 75mm recoilless rifle rounds, 5 82mm and 5 60mm mortar rounds, 375 grenades and 10 mines.

14. There was one reported terrorist incident during the week in SAIGON when two females threw a grenade at a BOQ. The National Police later detained two females and seized 66lb of C4 explosives and 25 electrical and chemical detonators.

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15. 1 ATF troops were involved in six contacts during the week. One enemy was killed and one Australian was wounded. Two Australians were wounded in a mine incident. There were two contacts involving Sector forces. One enemy was wounded. 36 USARV Trg Bn troops were also involved in one contact (YS457571) with no result.

Enemy Unit Identification and Locations

16. D445. The main element of D445 is believed still to be in Southern LONG KHANH East of Route 2 and near the Province border. C1 Company is believed still to be in the LONG HAI.

17. 3 Bn 33 NVA Regt and Group 13, the main element of CHAU DUC, are also believed to be in the SUOI NHAC and SUOI LUC areas of Southern LONG KHANH.

18. HQ TRAC reports that the Headquarters and 2 Bn of 33 NVA Regt have made significant moves to the West during the past week from BINH TUY Province into LONG KHANH Province, where they are now located North-East of XUAN LOC. These moves are likely to have been in response to US pressure upon them in their former areas.

19. 274 VC Main Force Regt.

- a. On 27 May a 1 ATF patrol killed a member of 274 Regt in the Northern Province border area. He was possibly a courier from the Headquarters of the Regt.
- b. An agent report has been received that a large group of enemy were sighted West of COURTENAY Hill on 30 May (area YS430900). From recent agent reports, including documents taken from enemy killed in 1 ATF contacts (see sub para a above and also SUPINTREP 21/71 para 17), it is believed that the 274 Regt group in the area is 1 Bn, which has a strength of about 100.
- c. On 31 May V Coy 4 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) troops found a lie up place West of the VIET CUONG which appears most likely to have been used on 30 May by elements of 1 Bn (YS405877).

20. MR 7. On 22 May a US Ranger patrol killed three enemy in Northern NUI BE (YS863948). They were identified as members of the Rear Service staff, Military Region 7.

Enemy Capabilities and Intentions

21. On night 24/25 May nine PSDF members from LONG SON Village (YS3056) were abducted by about 20 VC. Several hours later the nine PSDF were returned to the village. Propaganda leaflets were subsequently distributed on LONG SON threatening the PSDF and urging its disbandment.

22. At 0050 hours on the night 25/26 May a group of possibly 25 VC entered LONG DIEM market place, firing B40 rounds, and captured 19 of the 36 PSDF members who were stationed there, with their weapons. Two civilian bystanders were killed and one

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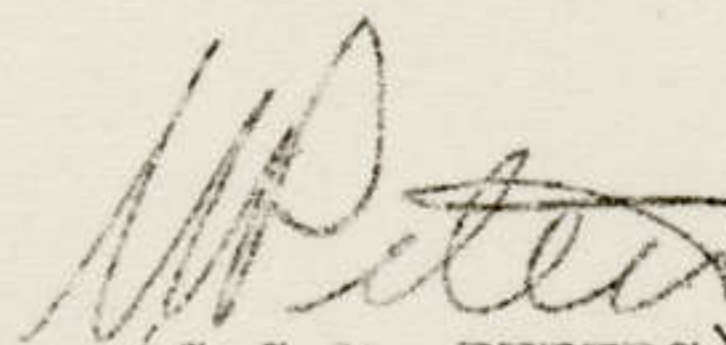
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civilian is missing. On 31 May four of the captured PSDF were returned to LONG DIEN where they were beaten by their escorts and left for dead. Two subsequently died. The two survivors have stated that the capture party were from C25 LONG DAT. The prisoners were taken to the LONG HAIs (YS4751). Here they were told that they were to be taken away to attend a training course.

23. It is not yet known whether 1 Bn 274 Regt's apparent move into North-Western PHUOC TUY Province is to carry out an offensive task or to evade any possible allied reaction to the battalion attack upon an RF post West of XUAN LOC on 15 May (YT318093, see SUPINTREP 21/71 para 23). However, this latter attack, which was the most aggressive action on the part of a 274 Regt unit for at least a year, has probably resulted in an improvement in the unit's morale.

24. D445, 3 Bn 33 Regt and other units still seem to be concentrated in the SUOI NHAC and SUOI LUC areas. No enemy offensive activity appears to be being mounted from this area and it is thought that these units are probably using the area as a refuge close to the resupply area of the COURTENAY.


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MILEAGE STATISTICS MAR 711. Mileage by Vehicle Type

a. MBT	3126	Average Mileage	173
b. Control MBT	587	" "	293
c. Centurion Dozer	196	" "	196
d. Centurion B/Layer	13	" "	13
e. AIV	357	" "	178
f. M113A1	1422	" "	711
g. Fitter's M113A1	994	" "	331
h. ACV M577A1	78	" "	78

2. Mileage by Troop

a. 1 Troop	337
b. 2 Troop	376
c. 3 Troop	950
d. 4 Troop	640
e. 5 Troop	910
f. SER	1500
g. SBQ	209
h. LAD	1351

3. C Sqn Tank Mileage for Mar 71

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4. C Sqn Tank Mileage Since Assuming Operation 17 Dec 70

16926

5. Troop Mileage Since 01 Jan 71

<u>SER</u>	<u>1 Troop</u>	<u>2 Troop</u>	<u>3 Troop</u>	<u>4 Troop</u>	<u>5 Troop</u>	<u>SER</u>	<u>LAD</u>
3750	1246	2020	2009	1499	1499	540	2322

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MILEAGE STATISTICS APR 711. Mileage by Vehicle Type

		Average Mileage	
a.	NBF	2427	143
b.	Control NBF	161	161
c.	Centurion Diesel	184	62
d.	Centurion B/layer	89	89
e.	AW	356	178
f.	M113A1	544	272
g.	Fitter's M113A1	589	196
h.	ACV M577A1	41	41

2. Mileage by Troop

a.	1 Troop	279
b.	2 Troop	694
c.	3 Troop	796
d.	4 Troop	407
e.	5 Troop	432
f.	SBQ	585
g.	SBQ	173
h.	LAD	945

3. G Sqn Troop Mileage for Apr 71

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4. G Sqn Troop Mileage Since Assuming Operations 17 Dec 70

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5. Troop Mileage Since 01 Jan 71

SBQ	1 Troop	2 Troop	3 Troop	4 Troop	5 Troop	SBQ	LAD
4335	1925	2714	2805	1906	1931	713	3767

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ORDER NO. 160 - DUTIES

a. <u>Date</u>	<u>Duty Officer</u>	<u>Duty Sgt</u>	<u>Picquet</u>
4 May 71	Capt WATTS	Sgt DE TURT	FDT -
5 May 71	Capt SUTTON	Sgt MARYCHURCH	LAD -
6 May 71	WO2 WEBSTER	Sgt GOLDRING	ADMIN TP
7 May 71	WO2 GREENTREE	Sgt GODFREY	FDT -
8 May 71	WO2 GOSS	Sgt LANCASTER	LAD -
9 May 71	LT GOLDMAN	Sgt BROWN	ADMIN TP
10 May 71	WO2 AGNEW	Sgt CALLIS	FDT -

b. <u>Date</u>	<u>Officers/Sgt Mess</u>	<u>OR's Mess</u>
3 May 71	FDT-LAD-T/PORT	WALKER-McNAB-READING
4 May 71	FDT-LAD-T/PORT	WALKER-McNAB-READING
5 May 71	FDT-LAD-SEQ	WALKER-McNAB-READING
6 May 71	FDT-LAD-SEQ	WALKER-McNAB-READING
7 May 71	FDT-LAD-SHQ	WALKER-McNAB-READING
8 May 71	FDT-LAD-4 TP	WALKER-McNAB-READING
9 May 71	FDT-LAD-4 TP	1 TP - 5 TP- 3 TP

Personnel rostered for duty in the Offrs/Sgt Mess and OR's Mess are to mount duty on the date shown at 0630 hrs to 1830 hrs daily.

c. <u>Date</u>	<u>OR's Canteen, Picture Area and Red Shield Hut</u>
3 May 71	ADMIN TP
4 May 71	FDT
5 May 71	4 TP
6 May 71	SEQ - SHQ
7 May 71	1 TP
8 May 71	LAD
9 May 71	5 TP

ORDER NO. 161 - MEDALS

1. The following personnel are eligible to wear the ribbon of the Vietnam Medal subject to verification by CARO.

Cpl ANDERSON.

ORDER NO. 162 - GAMBLING

Reference: AMR & O 322.

1. Gambling in any camp or other military premises or on any ship or aircraft carrying troops is forbidden. Gambling includes bookmaking and acting as an agent for a bookmaker.

2. Disciplinary action is to be taken where breaches of this order are detected.

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ORDER NO. 163 - INTOXICATING LIQUOR

Purchase and Sale

1. 1 ATF TAOR. Intoxicating liquor is only to be purchased by individual members of 1 ATF in the 1 ATF TAOR from authorized messes, clubs or canteens in the 1 ATF Base, or at the Horseshoe where authorized. Members of liaison teams are only to purchase intoxicating liquor from such places as are authorized by the senior Australian Liaison Officer.
2. Vung Tau Special Zone. Intoxicating liquor is only to be purchased in 1 ALSG or in the Vung Tau Special Zone for personal consumption at the time and place of sale, and members are not to remove such intoxicating liquor from this area.
3. Cans are to be opened at the time of all retail sales of beer.
4. Det 2 AFCU Bulk Store, Nui Dat. Cash purchases of intoxicating liquor are not to be made by individuals at the Bulk Store. Only authorized representatives of a unit may purchase intoxicating liquor on behalf of that unit mess, club or canteen. Wines and spirits are only to be sold to officers and sergeants messes and never for cash.

Possession

5. Members of 1 ATF are not to be in possession of intoxicating liquor except:
 - a. When on the premises of an authorized club or canteen or attending an authorized unit function in a unit area.
 - b. When proceeding on R and R or RTA.
 - c. When, after authorization by an officer, liquor has been purchased for despatch to an overseas address. Such liquor is to be despatched no later than 36 hours after the time of purchase.
 - d. When engaged in authorized carriage of bulk liquor.
6. Members are not to keep intoxicating liquor in sleeping or living quarters or in working areas.
7. Members of 1 ATF, below the rank of sergeant, are not to be in possession of wines or spirits.

Consumption

8. 1 ATF TAOR
 - a. Intoxicating liquor is only to be consumed by members in messes, clubs, canteens or areas authorized by unit orders. Intoxicating liquor is not to be consumed in any other area, including civilian bars, brothels or business premises. Wines and spirits are not to be consumed by members of 1 ATF below the rank of sergeant.

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- b. No member is to drive a vehicle within four hours of having consumed intoxicating liquor.
- c. "No member is to consume intoxicating liquor within four of:
 - (1) being warned for driving duties, or
 - (2) being named for guard or picquet duties."

9. Vung Tau Special Zone.

- a. 1 ALSG. Intoxicating liquor is only to be consumed by members of 1 ATF at the AFV Amenities Unit area, in accordance with the prevailing orders of HQ 1 ALSG, or in the authorized messes, clubs or canteens of 1 ALSG.
- b. Vung Tau Township. Intoxicating liquor is only to be consumed in the Vung Tau township area by members of 1 ATF when on authorized leave as evidenced by the possession of a leave pass or, in the case of officers, a valid Grand Hotel pass card. Liquor is only to be consumed by members of 1 ATF within the premises carrying the FWMAF 'Approved' sign.

Carriage

10. Carriage into 1 ATF Base. Intoxicating liquor is not to be brought by road or air into the 1 ATF base except:

- a. For authorized consignments to Det 2 AFCU Bulk Store.
- b. By individuals whose authorized duty is to carry intoxicating liquor to the Horseshoe or a defensive position which has been approved by HQ 1 ATF as a place for the consumption of liquor. An AAF G2 or written authority is to be carried, signed by an officer not below the rank of major and the quantity of liquor specified.
- c. By a member of the 1 ATF Liaison Unit. The AAF G2 or written authority is to be signed by the OC 1 ATF Liaison Unit.
- d. By the 1 ATF Liaison Unit LO Duc Thanh who is authorized to personally take out 12 cases of beer once per month for his team at Duc Thanh.
- e. For the repayment of Vietnamese hospitality. The AAF G2 or a written authority is to be carried, signed by an officer not below the rank of Major or by the DAAG HQ 1 ATF and specifying the quantity of liquor.
- f. When authorized in writing by the D Comd or DAAG HQ 1 ATF.

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Conduct of Messes, Clubs, Canteens and Special Functions

12. Each unit commander is to issue orders governing the operation of messes, clubs and canteens and for the conduct of social functions in his unit, subject to the following restrictions:
- a. No intoxicating liquor is to be issued, sold or consumed between the hours of 1400 and 1600 hours daily or after 2230 hours daily.
 - b. Other ranks clubs and canteens are to be closed by 2200 hours daily.
13. Variations to timings for special occasions may be requested in advance from the DAAG HQ 1 ATF.

Receipt of Intoxicating Liquor by Mail

14. Members of 1 ATF who receive intoxicating liquor by mail are to declare the quantity immediately to the unit or sub-unit commander who is to arrange for its custody and issue to the member.
15. Wines and spirits received in the mail are to be retained by the unit on behalf of the member until he proceeds on R and R or RTA and can return the liquor to Australia. If the member does not wish to take the wines or spirits back to Australia he may sell it to an officers' or sergeants' mess at the current ASCO price.
16. If a member fails to immediately declare intoxicating liquor received in the mail then in accordance with the provisions of AMR 215 (A) it may be seized and shall there upon be forfeited to the Commonwealth.

General

17. The provisions of this Routine Order, specifically varied to unit conditions, are to be republished in Unit Routine Orders every three months. The current order is to be promulgated to each new member within 24 hours of his marching-in.

ORDER NO. 164 - DISCIPLINE OF 1 ATF MEMBERS IN VUNG TAU

1. This order is issued to assist units taking disciplinary action as a result of offence reports received from AFV Pro Unit of 1 ALSG.
2. Existing orders are incorporated in this order with those given to 1 ATF troops by AFV Pro Unit during R and C briefings.
3. The orders below are to be promulgated in unit Routine Orders Part 1 every three months.

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Duty Visits to Vung Tau

4. Members of 1 ATF who are required to visit Vung Tau on duty and return the same day may shop in Vung Tau after the completion of their duty. They are not considered to be on leave and do not require a leave pass.
5. No member is to shop in Vung Tau unless he has in his possession a written authority signed by an officer authorizing him to shop in Vung Tau on the day in question.
6. Members of 1 ATF on duty, whether or not they are granted approval to shop in Vung Tau, are not to enter any bar, hotel, massage parlour, steam bath or brothel.

Local leave in Vung Tau

7. Members of 1 ATF may be granted local leave in Vung Tau when they are:
 - a. On R and C at the R and C Centre, or
 - b. staying at the Beach Annex as part of an authorized group, or
 - c. required to stay overnight at an Australian service establishment in Vung Tau as a result of duty.
8. No member of 1 ATF is to proceed on local leave in Vung Tau unless he is dressed in civilian clothes and is carrying his identification card and current leave pass.
9. Reserved.

Local Leave in Vung Tau

10. 1 ALSG units have been ordered to sell liquor to 1 ATF personal only when they visit the Peter Badcoe Club or a unit mess or canteen.
11. Subject to sub para 12 of this order, all intoxicating liquor is to be consumed at the time and place of sale.

Carriage of Liquor from 1 ALSG

12. No member is to carry intoxicating liquor out of the 1 ALSG area except to a Free World function. When liquor is carried out of the 1 ALSG area to a Free World function, the member must obtain prior written authority of a 1 ALSG CO/OC.

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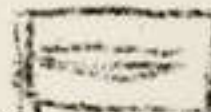

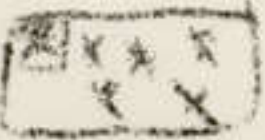

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Out of Bounds Establishments Vung Tau

13. All bars, steam baths and/or massage parlours, hotels and restaurants in Vung Tau which do not display the "Approved" sign depicted below, are out of bounds to all Australian and New Zealand Servicemen.

PREMISES APPROVED SIGN

 (US Flag)	 (VN Flag)	 (Aust Flag)
NHA HANG DUOC PHEP HOAT DONG THESE PREMISES HAVE BEEN APPROVED By order of the Mayor. Serial No-----		
(NZ Flag)		(Korean Flag)
		

- NOTES:
- Notice is black and red on white background.
 - National flags are appropriately coloured.
 - Each card is serially numbered.

14. It is to be noted that premises displaying "Approved" signs are subject to health and hygiene inspections and the signs can be withdrawn from, or re-issued for display at any time.

15. All brothels are out of bounds.

16. No member is to be in any area placed "out of bounds" by paragraphs 13 and 15 of this order.

Carriage of Weapons, Explosives and Pyrotechnics in Vung Tau and 1 ALSG Area

17. When on duty weapons are to be carried by 1 ATF members in the 1 ALSG area of responsibility (the Vung Tau peninsula south of the checkpoint at YS 369538). Weapons are to be in the UNLOADED degree of readiness.

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18. When on leave no weapons (including knives, flick knives and knuckle-dusters), pyrotechnics, explosives or explosive devices are to be carried by 1 ATF members. Personal weapons are to be lodged in the Armoury of the Peter Badcoe Club or the R and C centre on arrival in the Vung Tau area.

Drugs and Narcotics

19. Marihuana is easily obtainable in Vung Tau and some instances have occurred where soldiers have inadvertently bought cigarettes containing marihuana because of a combination of language difficulty, high prices and the effects of alcohol.

20. 1 ATF members are not to purchase, consume or sell marihuana or any narcotic drug except when the member's AAF Med 5, or, in the case of a member who is, or has been hospitalized, the member's AAF Med 9, 10 or 11, contains a written entry signed by a commissioned officer of the RAAMC, authorizing possession or consumption.

Dress

21. Shirts. Civilian shirts are to be worn at all times when on leave outside the 1 ALSG base area, sleeves may be rolled, short sleeves are permitted and ties are not required.

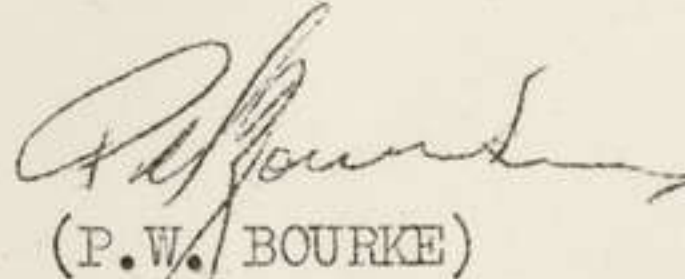
22. Trousers. Long trousers are to be worn within 1 ALSG Base area and in Vung Tau after 1900 hours daily. Shorts are permitted from 0600 to 1900 hours daily provided that long socks are worn.

23. Footwear. Rubber thongs are not to be worn outside the 1 ALSG Base area at any time.

24. 'Hippie Dress'. No member is to wear 'hippie' style garments any time. The wearing of this apparel is viewed with strong distaste by the Vietnamese population and harms the image of the Australian soldier.

ORDER No. 165 - SECURITY OF WEAPONS - 1 ATF GIFT SHOP

1. Personal weapons are not to be left outside 1 ATF Gift Shop. A rack is provided inside the shop.


(P.W. BOURKE)
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11 May 71	Lt CORNELL	Sgt DE TURT	LAD -
12 May 71	Capt PERCIVAL	Sgt MARYCHURCH	ADMIN TP
13 May 71	Capt WATTS	Sgt GOLDRING	FDT -
14 May 71	Capt SCALES	Sgt GODFREY	LAD -
15 May 71	2Lt CAMERON	Sgt LANCASTER	ADMIN TP
16 May 71	WO2 YEATES	Sgt BURTON	FDT -
17 May 71	WO2 AGNEW	Sgt BROWN	LAD -

b.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Officers/Sgt Mess</u>	<u>OR's Mess</u>
10 May 71	FDT-LAD-T/PORT	WALKER-McNAB-CONWAY
11 May 71	FDT-LAD-T/PORT	WALKER-McNAB-CONWAY
12 May 71	FDT-LAD-SEQ	WALKER-McNAB-CONWAY
13 May 71	FDT-LAD-SEQ	WALKER-McNAB-CONWAY
14 May 71	FDT-LAD-SHQ	WALKER-McNAB-CONWAY
15 May 71	FDT-LAD-4 TP	WALKER-McNAB-CONWAY
16 May 71	FIT-LAD-3 TP	5 TP - 2 TP- 1 TP

Personnel rostered for duty in the Offrs/Sgt's Mess and OR's Mess are to mount duty on the date shown at 0630 hours to 1830 hours daily.

c.

<u>Date</u>	<u>OR's Canteen, Picture Area and Red Shield Hut</u>
10 May 71	ADMIN TP
11 May 71	FDT
12 May 71	4 TP
13 May 71	SEQ-SHQ
14 May 71	5 TP
15 May 71	LAD
16 May 71	3 TP

d. The Following NCO's are to supervise all meals in the OR's Mess on the date shown.

10 May 71	Cpl HARRIS
11 May 71	Cpl REDSHAW
12 May 71	Cpl BICHENO
13 May 71	Cpl ANDERSON
14 May 71	Lcpl WILLIAMS
15 May 71	Cpl TAYLOR
16 May 71	Lcpl STEWART

e. The Sqn duty driver is to mount duty from 1815 hours to 0645 hours daily.

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The Sqn duty driver is not to leave the Sqn Area without permission of the Sqn Duty Officer or Duty Sgt.

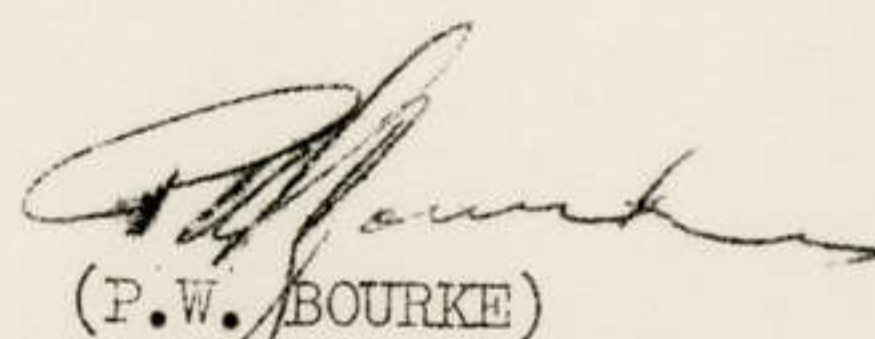
The Sqn Duty driver is to sleep in the Sqn transport tent.

10 May 71	Tpr TULL
11 May 71	Tpr BONNY
12 May 71	Tpr COTTER
13 May 71	Tpr CAMERON
14 May 71	Tpr FUHRMAN
15 May 71	Tpr GREGG
16 May 71	Tpr GASON

ORDER NO. 167 - MEDALS

1. Vietnam Campaign Medal: The following personnel are authorised to wear the ribbon of the Vietnam Campaign Medal subject to verification by CARO.

Cfn GINBEY, Cfn JOLLEY, Cfn KOFOED, Cpl COLQUHOUN


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ORDER NO. 168 - DUTIES OF KEY PERSONNEL

General

1. This supersedes all previous statements and should be read in conjunction with the following references:

- a. Staff Duties (Australia)
- b. 1 ATF SOP's
- c. AFV SOP's

2. Duties as shown are to be included in revised Squadron SOP's when issued.

2IC

- a. Understudy OC and retain updated operations brief in order to assume command of the squadron at any time.
- b. Act for OC in his absence.
- c. Prepare and implement squadron administrative plans.
- d. Co-ordinate all A and Q matters affecting the squadron both internal and external.
- e. Supervise functions of QM and SSM.
- f. Supervise the operation of administrative rear links.
- g. During operations, control the movement of A and B echelons.
- h. Supervise all resupply and co-ordinate security of LZ's and DZ's for the Squadron.
- i. Squadron harbour master when squadron deployed as a whole.
- j. Supervises the function of the Sqn CP (rear) when appropriate.
- k. Squadron Recce officer for harbours and leaguers.
- l. Supervising Officer for Sergeants Mess.
- m. Unit Security Officer.
- n. Acts as Unit Adjutant.
- o. Unit Welfare and Amenities Officer.

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- p. Unit Resettlement Officer.
- q. Base defence commander.
- r. Maintains Commanders Diary.
- s. Responsible for Squadron medical plan.
- t. PMC of Officers Mess.
- u. President of Unit Messing Committee.
- v. President/Treasurer of Regimental Funds Committee.
- w. Unit movement officer.
- x. Hospital visiting Officer.
- y. Unit Education Officer.
- z. Unit MPC conversion Officer.

Technical Officer

- a. Responsible to OC for the technical efficiency of the squadron.
- b. Acts for 2IC in his absence.
- c. Prepares and implements the Squadron Technical plan for repair, recovery and servicing.
- d. Allocates priority of work to Wksps and LAD.
- e. Supplies Technical State of Squadron vehicles to Task Force daily.
- f. Supervises vehicle documentation.
- g. Maintains vehicle records to support and update repair and replacement information.
- h. Prepares routine returns on vehicles and technical equipment.
- i. Rosters, supervises and records Non Technical inspection of equipment and advises OC on deficiencies observed.
- j. Collects and retains all technical information and dates pertaining to Squadron equipment and disseminates as necessary.
- k. Provides Technical Liaison with LAD, Wksps, HQ 1 ATF and HQ AFV and allied units.

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- l. Processes defect reports and modification and redesign suggestions.
- m. Supervise the operation of the squadron CP (fwd) - including Base Defence (fwd).
- n. Act as troop comd for Spec Eqpt personnel.
- o. Squadron recce officer for special eqpt tasks and adviser to OC on employment of special eqpt.
- p. Co-ordinate the return of unserviceable vehicles from the squadron point of view.
- q. President of Squadron Audit Board.
- r. Direct Squadron Technical Sergeant.

Squadron Liaison Officer (LO)

- a. Liaison duties with high HQ, supporting arms and flanking formations.
- b. Assists OC in planning and recce as required.
- c. Understudy 2IC and Tech Offr in their recce tasks.
- d. Act as rebroadcast or relay station as required.
- e. Carrier as required.
- f. Unit Emplaning Officer.
- g. Unit PR Officer and correspondent.
- h. Secretary of Regimental Funds Committee.
- i. Unit Intelligence Officer.
- j. Act as Forward Tank Officer when required.
- k. Maintains Squadron Training Library.
- l. Responsible for Squadron Scrapbook.

Quartermaster (QM)

- a. Responsible to OC for the correct and timely procurement, storage, issue, replacement and return of all vehicles, stores and equipment on charge to the squadron.

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- b. Commands B echelon and is responsible to the OC for its efficiency.
- c. Maintains a constant record of B echelon holdings of ammunition, POL, rations and water.
- d. Detailed supervision of squadron category.
- e. Supervising Officer of OR's mess and a member of unit messing committee.
- f. Responsible for submission of all routine Q returns required by TF HQ.
- g. Supervisor of Unit Canteen.
- h. Liaises with Tpt NCO to arrange resupply tasks.
- i. Co-ordinates and processes squadron Air Task Requests of administrative nature.

Officer Commanding LAD (OC LAD)

- a. Responsible to the OC for the efficiency and discipline of the LAD.
- b. Administer the repair and recovery and technical inspections and adjustments to unit vehicles and equipment according to the priorities laid down by the Tech Officer.
- c. Advises OC and Tech Offr on technical matters pertaining to squadron equipment.
- d. Unit Fire Officer.

Squadron Sergeant Major (SSM)

- a. Responsible to the OC for squadron welfare, discipline, health and hygiene.
- b. Compiles duty rosters.
- c. Commands A echelon and when Squadron is deployed under SHQ he is responsible for the following:
 - 1. Servicing and technical efficiency of A echelon vehicles, working to Tech Offr.
 - 2. Resupply of Squadron from A echelon.
 - 3. Protection and security of A echelon.

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4. Maintenance of a constant record of reserves of ammunition, POL, rations and water held by A echelon.
- d. Supervise squadron timings and punctuality.
- e. Maintains location board showing location of all personnel.
- f. PMC of Sergeants Mess.
- g. Responsible for ammunition point.
- h. Supervises Orderly Room procedures.
- i. Responsible for local administration of transport Troop.

Sqn Signals Sergeant (PRONTO)

- a. Act as squadron signals officer producing signal instructions as required and distributing SOI's and codes.
- b. Senior control operator on the squadron net for F echelon from the rear CP.
- c. Assists compilation of Duty Offr and Duty operator rosters for rear CP.
- d. Ensures that the radio and telephone watch is maintained at all times in rear CP.
- e. Is responsible for the passage of information from the CP to involved groups. He should regularly examine the radio logs to ensure that this information is passed.
- f. Responsible for radio punctuality, discipline and security on all nets operated by the squadron. To work in conjunction with SHQ Sgt in relation to these matters when Fwd CP is deployed. Reference for Voice Procedure - Sigs Pamphlet.
- g. Responsible to Unit Security Officer for security of all classified material held and issued from Rear CP.
- h. Provides advise to OC on matters of radio procedure, discipline and requirement for relay stations and state of radio equipment in the squadron.
- i. In conjunction with Tech Officer is to conduct periodic inspections of all squadron radio installations and report on state of equipment and adherence to radio crew drills and record these inspections.

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- j. Maintain updated Battle Map in conjunction with SHQ Sgt.
- k. Responsible for maintenance of communications map for squadron operations.

SHQ Sergeant

- a. Act as troop sergeant for SHQ personnel.
- b. Act as Squadron Intelligence sergeant.
- c. Responsible for procurement and storage of maps, air photos, enlargements etc.
- d. Responsible for deployment of SHQ vehicles as directed by SHQ Officer.
- e. Responsible for production of enlargements, traces and special overlays. Responsible for maintenance of OCs Maps.
- f. Responsible for processing of intelligence reports and summaries and extraction of information from those sources for briefing OC and marking battle maps.
- g. Responsible for dissemination of troop information sheets and for relay of information of value to troop via the appropriate means.
- h. Responsible for fwd CP establishment, radio and telephone picquets and duty offr/NCO roster.
- i. Responsible for the processing of captured enemy material and documents.
- j. Responsible for traffic control and sign posting in squadron area.
- k. Responsible for maintenance of going map and for collection and distribution of data on going in the TAOR and in any special area.
- l. Responsible to advise OC on crewing, intelligence matters and going.
- m. Responsible to advise Tech Offr on any Technical matters pertaining to SHQ Tp.
- n. Responsible for the passage of information from fwd CP to interested parties. Should examine logs hourly to ensure timely and accurate passage of information.
- o. Understudy all tasks carried out by LO.

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Transport NCO

- a. Responsible to Tech Offr for servicing and technical efficiency of unit B vehicle transport and equipment.
- b. Allocation of transport. On occasions where required Transport Tasks conflict the Tpt NCO is to inform the Sqn 2IC who will then determine priority tasks.
- c. Maintenance of records.
- d. Procurement and holding of oils and greases for squadron.
- e. Close co-ordination with QM and SSM on resupply tasks.
- f. Tpt tp is under SSM for local administration.

Orderly Room Sergeant

Reference: SD (Aust) Chapter 2.

- a. Responsible for conduct of orderly room as directed by Squadron.
- b. Maintains Squadron Roll Books and attendance and ration records.
- c. Responsible for receipt, filing and dissemination of all incoming correspondence and for recording, filing and despatch of out going correspondence.
- d. Responsible for organization of tasks in the Squadron Orderly Room.
- e. Advise OC and 2IC of all operationally urgent matters and other matters requiring urgent action.
- f. Responsible to 2IC for the A records of the squadron.
- g. To advise OC of any immediate A problems which effect the well being or morale of the squadron.
- h. To complete other duties as directed from time to time by squadron 2IC.


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a.	<u>Date</u>	<u>Duty Officer</u>	<u>Duty Sgt</u>	<u>Picquet</u>
	18 May 71	WO2 GOSS	Sgt STRATTON	
	19 May 71	Capt SUTTON	Sgt GOLDRING	
	20 May 71	2Lt GOLDMAN	Sgt GODFREY	
	21 May 71	WO2 WEBSTER	Sgt REEVES	
	22 May 71	WO2 GREENTREE	Sgt THIESSON	
	23 May 71	2Lt CORNELL	Sgt BROWN	
	24 May 71	WO2 YEATES	Sgt MARYCHURCH	

b.	<u>Date</u>	<u>Officers/Sgt Mess</u>	<u>OR's Mess</u>
	17 May 71	FDT-LAD-T/Port	4 Tp- 3 Tp- 4 Tp
	18 May 71	FDT-LAD-T/Port	4 Tp- 3 Tp- 4 Tp
	19 May 71	FDT-LAD-SEQ	3 Tp- 4 Tp- 3 Tp
	20 May 71	FDT-LAD-SEQ	3 Tp- 4 Tp- 3 Tp
	21 May 71	FDT-LAD-SHQ	4 Tp- 4 Tp- 3 Tp
	22 May 71	FDT-LAD-SHQ	4 Tp- 4 Tp- 3 Tp
	23 May 71	FDT-LAD-T/Port	3 Tp- 3 Tp- 4 Tp

Personnel rostered for duty in the Offrs/Sgts Mess and OR's Mess are to mount duty on the date shown at 0630 hrs to 1830 hrs daily.

c.	<u>Date</u>	<u>OR's Canteen, Picture Area and Red Shield Hut</u>
	17 May 71	4 Tp
	18 May 71	FDT
	19 May 71	Admin Tp
	20 May 71	3 Tp
	21 May 71	SHQ - SEQ
	22 May 71	LAD
	23 May 71	To be cleaned by Sqn defaulters under S.O.S.

d. The following NCO's are to supervise all meals in the OR's Mess on the date shown.

17 May 71	Lcpl BOYLE
18 May 71	Cpl CORMACK
19 May 71	Cpl BICHENO
20 May 71	Cpl SPEHR
21 May 71	Cpl HARRIS
22 May 71	Cpl GOLDING
23 May 71	Cpl CLARKE

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e. The sqn duty driver is to mount duty from 1815 hours to 0645 hours daily.

The sqn duty driver is not to leave the sqn area without permission of the duty officer or duty Sgt.

The duty driver is to sleep in the sqn transport tent.

17 May 71	Tpr	GASON
18 May 71	Tpr	BONNY
19 May 71	Tpr	CAMERON
20 May 71	Tpr	GREGG
21 May 71	Tpr	EVANS
22 May 71	Tpr	TULL
23 May 71	Tpr	CAMERON

ORDER NO. 170 - MEDALS

1. The following personnel are eligible to wear the ribbon of the Vietnam Medal subject to verification by CARO.

Sgt R.W.R. HARRIS, Tpr WESTON.

2. The following personnel are eligible to wear the ribbon of the Vietnam Campaign Medal subject to verification by CARO.

WO2 AGNEW, WO2 WEBSTER, Sgt BROWN, Cpl SPEHR, Cpl CLARKE, Cpl TAYLOR, Tpr McCAULIFFE, Tpr KENDELL, Tpr CROCKER, Tpr DENNIS, Tpr LANE, Tpr NATION, Tpr EVANS, Tpr DONLEN, Tpr JANIC, Tpr BROWN, Tpr EVERETT, Tpr SIBLEY, Tpr P. LUCAS, Tpr McKENZIE, Tpr MILLSTEAD, Tpr TAPLEY, Tpr T. LUCAS, Tpr McGRATH-KERR, Tpr CHAISTY, Pte McCARTHY.

ORDER NO. 171 - EX LIFESAVER

1. Each number of C Sqn 1 Armd Regt, C Sqn Sect 1 Armd Regt LAD and Fwd Del Tp, is to complete Exercise Lifesaver within each two month period.

2. Troop Leaders are to ensure that exercises are conducted as often as are required, and to ensure that all members of the troop plus attached personnel attend.

3. Immediately after the conduct of each exercise troop leaders are to submit a list of members who attended stating No, Rank, Name, and the date on which the exercise was conducted.

ORDER NO. 172 - ENCASHMENT OF POSTAL ORDERS

1. Postal Orders may be purchased at Australian Field Post Offices by members of the Australian Armed Forces, SVN. The maximum of \$100:00 Australian may be purchased at any one time unless the member obtains written authority from his OC to purchase a large amount (See AFV (Army Component) SOP's Part 3, paragraph 1278).

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2. In Australia, Postal Orders may only be cashed at Money Order Post Offices; and at other Post Offices where the Postmaster has sufficient cash on hand, Australian Postal Orders are also payable in Papua-New Guinea, Norfolk Island and Christmas Island (Indian Ocean).
3. Members are to note that Australian Postal Orders are not valid outside the areas mentioned above.

ORDER NO. 173 - MT OPERATION - DURING THE WET SEASON

1. During the wet season driving conditions undergo a great change. Hard dry roads will turn to mud, sealed surfaces will become slippery and drivers will be required to drive in heavy rain with limited visibility.
2. Officers and NCO's supervising transport operations are to ensure that:
 - a. All drivers are made aware of the changing conditions and are instructed to drive within the capability of the vehicle under those conditions.
 - b. All loads are to be properly secured and protected from the rain.
3. During first parade servicing particular attention is to be given to tyre wear and pressures, the operation of windscreen wipers and the operation of lights, including directional lights.

ORDER NO. 174 - MAIL AND POSTAL - PROCEDURE FOR NOTIFYING MAIL DELAYS AND LOSSES

General

1. Complaints regarding mail delays or losses must contain full details so that checking action can be undertaken as quickly as possible. The procedures to be followed are detailed below.

Mail Delays

2. Mail posted at Aust FPO's for delivery in Australia can be expected to be delivered as follows:
 - a. Airmail Articles. From two to seven days after mail closing time at an Aust FPO.
 - b. Surface Rate Articles. From two to seven weeks after mail closing time at an Aust FPO.

Mail Delays

3. A complaint of mail delay is not to be made until the standards at paragraph 2 have been exceeded. The complaint is to be made in writing to the unit postal orderly and must include the following:

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- a. Delay between South Vietnam and Australia
- (1) Complainants number, rank, name and full postal address.
 - (2) Date article handed to postal orderly or posted.
 - (3) Name and full postal address of the addressee.
 - (4) Registration Receipt (PMG Form R1) if sent by registered mail.
 - (5) Date of delivery to addressee.
 - (6) If possible, the envelope or cover of the article.

- b. Delay between Australia and South Vietnam
- (1) Date the article was written by the sender.
 - (2) Date of posting in Australia.
 - (3) Name and full address of the sender.
 - (4) Number, rank, name and full postal address of complainant.
 - (5) Date of receipt by addressee.
 - (6) Envelope or cover of the article.

4. Complaints of mail delays initially are to be investigated locally and the complaint and investigation passed to HQ AFV, for transmission to AHQ, Canberra. AHQ will forward the complaint to the Postmaster General's Department for further enquiries.

Mail Losses

5. Complaints of lost mail can only be made when:
- a. The complainant is satisfied the article was posted.
 - b. The standards at paragraph 2a or 2b have been exceeded and the article has not been delivered.

The complaint must be made within one year of posting.

6. The complaint is to be made on PMG Form 26 "Missing Article Enquiry" which is to be lodged with the unit postal orderly.

7. Unit postal orderlies are to hold a quantity of PMG Form PM26 which are available from Aust FPO's.

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8. The unit postal orderly is to:
 - a. Check that the information given is complete.
 - b. Inform the complainant that the enquiry will be forwarded to the Postmaster General's Department for investigation. The complainant will be advised direct by the Department of the outcome of the enquiry.
 - c. Forward the PMG Form PM 26 to his local Aust FPO.

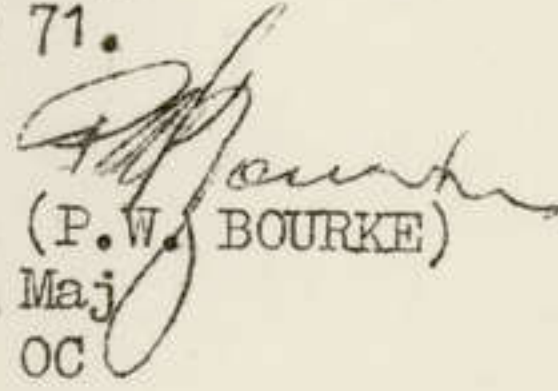
ORDER NO. 175 - SQUADRON APPOINTMENTS

1. 36281 WO2 P.F. YEATES is appointed SHQ Sgt WEF 17 May 71.
2. 37717 Sgt R.W. HARRIS is appointed Sqn Sig Sgt WEF 17 May 71.

NOTICE

VIETNAM DISPLAY - AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL

1. An appeal for war relics for the Vietnam Section of the Australian War Memorial has been made by the Director, Mr W.R. Lancaster.
2. All types of items are required, particularly those which tell a story of operations, projects, incidents or single acts of bravery and sacrifice. Some examples are:
 - a. Weapons and Personal Equipment. Both Australian and enemy items, particularly if damaged, with a description of how items were used, by whom, and how they became damaged.
 - b. Documents and Maps. Captured maps, leaflets, marked maps portraying a particular operation or patrol action etc. Personalities, and units or sub-units involved, and the outcome.
 - c. Vehicles and Equipment. Again if damaged and with a specific story.
 - d. Mines and Booby Traps. Particularly of enemy origin. How they were detected and by whom, when, and where.
 - e. Unit Identification. Decorative signs, notice boards and flags which depict certain aspects of unit life or routine. These should be documented and include a short history of the unit and its part in the war in Vietnam.


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3. Arms units usually provide the majority of items but the work of service units can also be exhibited by means of appropriate relics.

4. It is essential that suitable relics are assembled or earmarked for despatch to Australia while adequate shipping space is available. Units and formations are to submit details of any items considered suitable, to this headquarters now, and subsequently in the future as they become available. This headquarters will advise the Australian War Memorial through AHQ details of items available. They are not to be despatched without advice to this effect.

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ORDER NO. 176 - DUTIES

a. <u>Date</u>	<u>Duty Officer</u>	<u>Duty Sgt</u>	<u>Picquet</u>
25 May 71	Capt WATTS	Sgt STRATTON	FDT -
26 May 71	Capt SCALES	Sgt THIESSON	LAD -
27 May 71	Capt PERCIVAL	Sgt LANCASTER	ADMIN TP
28 May 71	WO2 WEBSTER	Sgt BROWN	FDT -
29 May 71	2Lt GOLDMAN	Sgt REEVES/SMITH	LAD -
30 May 71	WO2 GOSS	Sgt GOLDRING	ADMIN TP
31 May 71	WO2 AGNEW	Sgt BURTON	FDT -

b. <u>Date</u>	<u>Officers/Sgts Mess</u>	<u>OR's Mess</u>
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27 May 71	FDT-LAD-SEQ	3 Tp-4 Tp-3 Tp
28 May 71	FDT-LAD-SHQ	4 Tp-3 Tp-4 Tp
29 May 71	FDT-LAD-SHQ	4 Tp-3 Tp-4 Tp
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26 May 71	Cpl ANDERSON
27 May 71	Cpl CORMACK
28 May 71	Cpl SPEHR
29 May 71	Cpl GOLDING
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The duty driver is to sleep in the sqn transport tent.

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24 May 71	Tpr	BONNY
25 May 71	Tpr	CAMERON
26 May 71	Tpr	GREGG
27 May 71	Tpr	EVANS
28 May 71	Tpr	TULL
29 May 71	Lcpl	THOMPSON
30 May 71	Tpr	LIEFMAN

ORDER NO. 177 - MEDALS

1. The following personnel are eligible to wear the ribbon of the Vietnam Medal subject to verification by CARO.

Capt PERCIVAL, Tpr BARDETT, Tpr LIEFMAN, Lcpl THOMPSON P.R., Tpr PICKFORD, Tpr TEBBY, Tpr GAMMELGARD, Tpr CUTHBERT.

ORDER NO. 178 - OUT OF BOUNDS AREAS - VAN KIEP COMPOUND

Reference: A. 1 ATF Routine Orders Part 1 No 86 dated 23 Apr 71.

1. The conditions under which 1 ATF members may visit allied installations are clearly laid down in Reference A, but unauthorized visitors continue to arrive at the Van Kiep Compound.

2. The senior Australian Liaison Officer and his staff have been instructed to detain any such visitors in future until they can be removed by RAA Pro personnel.

ORDER NO. 179 - PREVENTION OF INSECT - BORNE DISEASES
PERSONAL PREVENTIVE MEASURES

References: A. MBI 142-10
B. 1 ATF RO Part 1 No 16 dated 1 Jan 71.

1. Reference B lays down the dress for members of 1 ATF and is to remain in force, except where varied by the following orders, which take effect from 26 May 71 until further notice;

a. Clothing

(1) Shirts with sleeves rolled down and long trousers are to be worn and feet and ankles covered at all hours of the day except:

(a) Shorts may be worn only when actually participating in approved daylight sport.

(b) Shirts may be removed only when participating in daylight sport.

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- (c) When moving directly to and from showers.
 - (d) When under a mosquito net.
 - (e) Shirt sleeves may be rolled up from 0630 - 1830 hours daily.
- b. Showering: Showering is not permitted between 1830 hours and 0630 hours, except in mosquito-proofed ablutions, which are to be sprayed by unit hygiene personnel.
- c. Mosquito Nets: All ranks are to sleep under a mosquito net except when this is impracticable for operational reasons. Nets are to be kept in good repair and are to be tucked under the mattress. Nets are to be regularly inspected.
- d. Insect Repellent: All ranks are to carry a bottle of insect repellent between 1830 and 0630 hours and are to apply it to exposed skin every three hours when not under a mosquito net.
- e. Aerosol Sprays: Aerosol Sprays should be used daily as follows:
- (1) In huts and tents, particularly under beds and horizontal surfaces at night.
 - (2) Inside mosquito nets as soon as they have been erected.

ORDER NO. 180 - WITHDRAWAL OF LICENCE

1. Licence code B7 has been withdrawn from Tpr J.E. GASON as of 19 May 71.

ORDER NO. 181 - R&R JUNE 71

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01 Jun 71	Tpr	NATION	21 Jun 71	WO2	YEATES
01 Jun 71	WO2	WEBSTER	21 Jun 71	Lop1	WATSON
06 Jun 71	Tpr	ARMSTRONG	25 Jun 71	Capt	JEFFREYS
06 Jun 71	Sgt	REEVES	25 Jun 71	Tpr	MAIR
07 Jun 71	Sgt	DE TURT	26 Jun 71	Cpl	TAYLOR
07 Jun 71	Cpl	HARMER	26 Jun 71	Tpr	ROESLER
08 Jun 71	Tpr	CROCKER	27 Jun 71	Cpl	GRIMSHAW
08 Jun 71	Tpr	MILLSTEED	27 Jun 71	Sgt	GODFREY
11 Jun 71	Tpr	GILES K.W.	29 Jun 71	Tpr	BEAUCHAMP
11 Jun 71	Cpl	CORMACK			
13 Jun 71	Tpr	TAPLEY			
13 Jun 71	Tpr	SABOLIC			
14 Jun 71	Lop1	FORBES	12 Jun 71	2Lt	HIND
14 Jun 71	Tpr	ROY	12 Jun 71	Tpr	BIRD
18 Jun 71	Tpr	GILES P.S.			
18 Jun 71	Tpr	THOMPSON D.J.			
19 Jun 71	WO2	MURPHY			
19 Jun 71	Cpl	ANGOW	17 Jun 71	Tpr	STEWART W.
20 Jun 71	Tpr	HILL	17 Jun 71	Cpl	COLQHOUN
20 Jun 71	Tpr	ALTUS	29 Jun 71	Cpl	ANDERSON
			05 Jun 71	Tpr	MOCULLAGH

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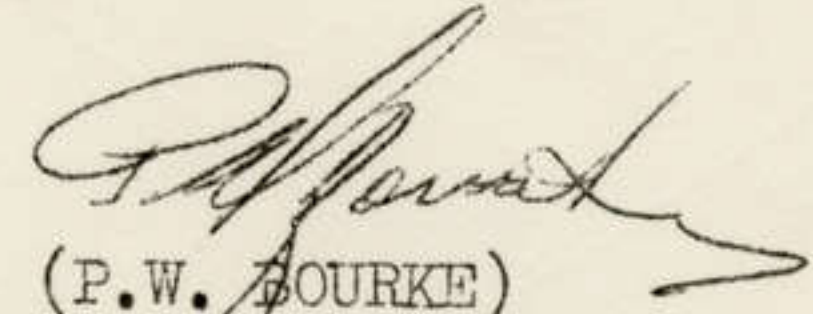
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08 Jun 71 Tpr J.S. LOWE


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MATHAMATICS CLUB

1. If you are at all interested in improving your knowledge about the marvellous wonders of mathamatics, then you are most welcome to attend a seminar every Monday night, 1915 hrs to 2000 hrs.
2. The guest speaker on each of these memorable occassions will be Capt H.N. PERCIVAL your favourite OC LAD.
3. All those wishing to attend, please assemble in the Int Brief tent at 1915 hrs.

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ORDER NO. 182 - DUTIES

a.	<u>Date</u>	<u>Duty Officer</u>	<u>Duty Sgt</u>	<u>Picquet</u>
	1 Jun 71	WO2 GREENTREE	Sgt THIESSON	LAD -
	2 Jun 71	WO2 YEATES	Sgt LANCASTER	ADMIN TP
	3 Jun 71	Lt CORNELL	Sgt GODFREY	FDT -
	4 Jun 71	Capt SUTTON	Sgt GOLDRING	LAD -
	5 Jun 71	Lt CAMERON	Sgt DE TURF	ADMIN TP
	6 Jun 71	Lt FARRANT	Sgt HARRIS	FDT -
	7 Jun 71	WO2 AGNEW	Sgt STRATTION	LAD -

b.	<u>Date</u>	<u>Officers/Sgt Mess</u>	<u>OR's Mess</u>
	31 May 71	FDT-LAD-T/Port	2 Tp-CUBIT-EDGAR
	1 Jun 71	FDT-LAD-T/Port	2 Tp-CUBIT-EDGAR
	2 Jun 71	FDT-LAD-SEQ	2 Tp-CUBIT-EDGAR
	3 Jun 71	FDT-LAD-SEQ	2 Tp-CUBIT-EDGAR
	4 Jun 71	FDT-LAD-SHQ	2 Tp-CUBIT-EDGAR
	5 Jun 71	FDT-LAD-SHQ	2 Tp-CUBIT-EDGAR
	6 Jun 71	FDT-LAD-SHQ	2 Tp-CUBIT-EDGAR

Personnel rostered for duty in the Offrs/Sgt Mess and OR's Mess are to mount duty on the date shown at 0630 hrs to 1830 hrs daily.

c.	<u>Date</u>	<u>OR's Canteen, Picture Area and Red Shield Hut</u>
	31 May 71	ADMIN TP
	1 Jun 71	FDT
	2 Jun 71	5 TP
	3 Jun 71	2 TP
	4 Jun 71	SHQ-SEQ
	5 Jun 71	LAD
	6 Jun 71	To be cleaned by Sqn defaulters under S.O.S.
	7 Jun 71	ADMIN TP

d. The following NCO's are to supervise all meals in the OR's Mess on the date shown.

31 May 71	Cpl CORMACK
1 Jun 71	Cpl GOLDING
2 Jun 71	Cpl TAYLOR
3 Jun 71	Cpl HAMER
4 Jun 71	Cpl HARRIS
5 Jun 71	Cpl SPEHR
6 Jun 71	Cpl HANUSZEWICZ

e. The Sqn duty driver is to mount duty from 1815 hrs to 0645 hrs daily.

The Sqn duty driver is not to leave the sqn area without permission of the duty officer or duty sgt.

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The duty driver is to sleep in the sqn transport tent.

31 May 71 Tpr CAMERON
1 Jun 71 Tpr BONNY
2 Jun 71 Tpr BRACKENREG
3 Jun 71 Tpr GREGG
4 Jun 71 Tpr EVANS
5 Jun 71 Tpr TULL
6 Jun 71 Tpr CAMERON

ORDER NO. 183 - MEDALS

1. The following personnel are eligible to wear the ribbon of the Vietnam Campaign Medal subject to verification by CARO.

CAPT JEFFRIES, SGT STRATTON

ORDER NO. 184 - MEDICALS

1. The following personnel will report to the sqn RAP on the following dates at 1330 hours:

2 Jun 71

Sgt REEVES
Sgt DETURT
Cpl HARMER
Tpr ARMSTRONG

9 Jun 71

Lcpl FORBES
Tpr TAPLEY
Tpr SABOLIC
Tpr ROY

4 Jun 71

Tpr MILSTEED
Tpr CROCKER

17 Jun 71

WO2 MURPHY
WO2 YEATES
Cpl ANGOW
Lcpl WATSON
Tpr ALTUS
Tpr HILL

7 Jun 71

Cpl GORMACK
Tpr GILES

ORDER NO. 185 - INJECTIONS

The following personnel are to have injections between the 1st June and 14th June 71.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CHOLERA</u>	<u>PLAGUE</u>	<u>TAB</u>	<u>SMALL FOX</u>
CPL ANGOW	X	X		
TPR BLAIK	X	X		
TPR BALDWIN	COURSE	X	X	
CFN BROOK	X	X		
TPR BLOOMFIELD			X	
CFN BIRD	X	X		
TPR CRAZE	X	X		
CFN COLLINS	COURSE	X		

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<u>NAME</u>	<u>CHOLERA</u>	<u>PLAGUE</u>	<u>TAB</u>	<u>SMALL POK</u>
CPL COTTER			X	
CPL DOBSON		X		
PTE DAVID	X	X		
TPR DICKINSON	X	X		
SGT DEBURY	X	X		
LCPL FLYNN		X		X
TPR GILES K.W.	X	X	TAB TET	
WO2 GREENWALD			TAB TET	
TPR GREGG	X	X		
CFN GIMBEY	X	X		
SGT GODFREY	X	X		
CFN HUNTER	X	X	X	
TPR HUGHES	X	X		
TPR IMLACH			X	
TPR JANIG			X	
TPR KENDELL			X	
TPR MARLEW			TET	
SGT MARYCHURCH			X	
TPR MACINTYRE	X	X		
TPR McGRATH-KERR			X	
CFN McDOUGAL	X	X		
TPR McTILLAGH COURSE				
TPR READING	X	X		
CAPT SUTTON	X	X		
CPL SPEHR		X	X	
CFN SHANKS COURSE		X		
CFN SMITH	X	X		
CAPT SCALES			X	
TPR TODOROVIC	X	X		
LCPL THOMPSON	X	X		
TPR WILLIAMS	X	X		
TPR WOOD	X	X		
CFN WOOLFORD	X	X	X	
TPR WARD			X	
CPL ZWART			X	

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NOTICEVOLLEY BALL: OFFERS/NCO's VS OR's

A one game series was staged between the Officers and NCO's against the OR's. The officers /NCO's played brilliantly to finish in second place. They commiserate with the OR's for finishing second last and hope that further practice will improve their positions in the series.