

Series: AWM95
Australian Army commanders' diaries
[Vietnam]

Infantry units

Item number: 7/1/69

Item: 1 Battalion Royal Australian
Regiment

Narrative

Annexes

[1-30 Apr 1966]

This form is to be enclosed with the Annexes in AF -C2119 (Adapted).

AF - C2118 (Adapted)

~~COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE~~

Month and Year Apr 66

Reference Map XA BINH BA

Unit/Formation 1 RAR

Commanding Officer Lt Col A V PREECE

Place and Grid Reference	Date	Time	Event or Information	Annex letter and enclosure number
COURTENAY	1 Apr	0700	Fighting patrols from all 4 rifle coys made no contact during the night.	
		0725	A warning order was issued for a move to BINH BA (YS 4474) on 2 Apr.	
		1208	Orders for the mov to BINH BA (YS 4472) were collected from 1 Div.	
		1700	No further contact was made during the day.	
		2320	No contact with the VC had been made up to 2330 hrs.	
	2 Apr	0745	B Coy and 1 APC Tp had married up and were ready to move by road to the new Div Log Base at BINH BA.	
YS 472925		0824	2 personnel from A Coy were wounded when they accidentally set off a booby trap at YS 472925, They were 214648 Cpl C J PEARSE and 215081 Pte W J GREENWOOD.	
		0836	Command Post monitored a transmission from the CO (in a H-13 hel) to A Coy that the pilot of the H-13 hel had been shot and that they were landing in front of A Coys posn as A Coy advanced towards BINH BA. (As indicated later the pilot, 11509 Capt B J SMITH had been shot in the left hand. With considerable skill and some assistance from	

This form is to be enclosed with the Annexes in AF -C2119 (Adapted).

AF - C2118 (Adapted)

COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

Unit/Formation 1 RAR

Month and Year Apr 66

Reference Map XA BINH BA

Commanding Officer Lt Col A V PREECE

Place and Grid Reference	Date	Time	Event or Information	Annex letter and enclosure number
Continued	2 Apr	0836	the CO (Lt Col A V PREECE) he was able to land the hel near a friendly ARVN Post at YS 461777).	
		0850	First lift, C Coy, Sp Coy and Bn HQ emplaned at COURTENAY. They departed for BINH BA Strip.	
		0900	First lift landed at BINH BA.	
		0910	Brig Gen HOLLINGSWORTH (Deputy Comd 1 Div) landed and reported that he had seen what appeared to be a VC group making to the SW from the NE end of the strip. 1 APC Tp and B Coy (on tracks) gave pursuit.	
YS 461745		1015	B Coy and 1 APC Tp contacted an estimated platoon of VC whom they had been pursuing. 2 VC were KIA and 1 VC probable KIA.	
YS 424748		1040	C Coy (Maj JJ TATTAM) contacted 3 VC at YS 424748. One VC was WIA and captured and one VC was WIA and fled.	
		1300	Sweeps of the area about the airstrip continued. C Coy captured 3 VC suspects. B Coy picked up 28 VC suspects. (All these suspects were backloaded to the PW cage at 1 Div which had opened.).	

This form is to be enclosed with the Annexes in AF -C2119 (Adapted).

AF - C2118 (Adapted)

COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

Unit/Formation 1 RAR

Commanding Officer Lt Col A V PREECE

Month and Year Apr 66

Reference Map XA BINH BA

Place and Grid Reference	Date	Time	Event or Information	Annex letter and enclosure number
	2 Apr	1430	7 Pl C Coy located 400 to 500 X 100 lb bags of rice, 60 tins of peanut oil, 12 tins of honey and 20 tins of assorted goods at YS 404729.	
		1605	1605 C Coy fired on 4 - 5 VC at YS 426763 resulting in 1 possible VC WIA and the capturing of 5 VC.	
YS 428738		2010	A patrol of 4 Pl B Coy made contact with 5 VC at YS 428738. A further group appeared to be following up the first group. The VC fled SOUTH and were engaged with Arty fire. Two were seen to fall as the result of the initial burst of fire.	
BINH BA	3 Apr	0700	Patrols made no further contact during the night.	
		0930	Lt Col H L SABIN and Maj QUINN (Q Branch AHQ) visited 1 RAR and displayed new pattern field clothing.	
		1000	Patrolling of AO VICTORIA by all Coys continued. During this period of the operation contact with some local force VC was made and considerable quantities of rice and salt were located and either evacuated or destroyed.	

This form is to be enclosed with the Annexes in AF -C2119 (Adapted).

COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

AF - C2118 (Adapted)

Month and Year Apr 66

Reference Map XA BINH BA

Unit/Formation 1 RAR

Commanding Officer Lt Col AV PREECE

Place and Grid Reference	Date	Time	Event or Information	Annex letter and enclosure number
Binh Ba	3 Apr	1145	6 Pl B Coy made contact with approx 4 VC at YS 427714. NO casualties were inflicted on the VC. VC fled NORTH. A training camp was also located in the area.	
		1200	A cordon and search operation was conducted in the villages at YS 455748 and YS 450740. A and B Coys formed the cordon and elms of 1 APC Tp assisted. Approx 1000 people were assembled in a compound at YS 452746. They were briefly questioned by ARVN reps and later released.	
YS 405730		1505	9 Pl C Coy located 300 - 400 X 100 Lb bags of rice at YS 405730.	
YS 408737		1615	9 Pl C Coy found a further 200 X 120 lb bags of rice at YS 408757.	
		2020	1 Pl A Coy (Fighting Patrol) was fired at from approx 200 metres away. Shots were returned.	
		2330	No further contact was reported.	
YS 414740	4 Apr	0700	No incidents or contacts had occurred to 0700 hrs.	
		0702	1 Pl A Coy captured one wounded VC at YS 423712 in the area of their contact of the previous night. (The prisoner later revealed that he	

This form is to be enclosed with the Annexes in AF -C2119 (Adapted).

AF - C2118 (Adapted)

COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

Unit/Formation 1 RAR

Month and Year Apr 66

Reference Map XA BINH BA

Commanding Officer Lt Col A V PREECE

Place and Grid Reference	Date	Time	Event or Information	Annex letter and enclosure number
Continued	4 Apr	0702	that he was from the C - 20 Company. He passed some details of his unit to Sgt WELSH (Vietnamese Interpreter). The person was evacuated through 1 Div CCS.	
YS 460749	4 Apr	1200	C Coy found a two Coy sized camp which had not been used recently at YS 460749.	
YS 429770		1310	2 Pl A Coy made contact with 5 to 10 VC at YS 429770. No casualties were inflicted on the VC. The VC fled NORTH.	
YS 4474		1430	Brig Gen Paul F SMITH (CG 173 Bde) and Maj R MARSHALL (C2 173 Bde) visited 1 RAR and discussed the forthcoming operation for 173 Bde. Op AUSTIN. The op was due to commence on 9 Apr 66. (Road movement)	
		1530	9 Pl C Coy fired on 5 VC at 408738. The VC fled WEST.	
YS 464728		2035	11 Pl D Coy fired on 5 VC who walked into their ambush at YS464728. As a result 3 VC including one female were KIA, one probable VC KIA and one WIA escaped. Two weapons were recovered.	
YS 4474	5 Apr	0800	No further contact was made with the VC during the night.	
		1116	B Coy found 9 Ox carts and 7 X 100 lb bags of rice at YS 425703.	

This form is to be enclosed with the Annexes in AF -C2119 (Adapted).

AF - C2118 (Adapted)

COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

Month and Year Apr 66

Reference Map XA BINH BA

Unit/Formation 1 RAR

Commanding Officer Lt Col A V PREECE

Place and Grid Reference	Date	Time	Event or Information	Annex letter and enclosure number
	5 Apr	1400	7 Pl C Coy working on a rice cache and extracting rice at YS 403702 set off some booby traps set by the VC to deter interference with the rice.	
		1831	Advice was received from Bn 2 IC (Maj J HOOPER) that on 6 Apr 66 he would attend a planning conference for op AUSTIN.	
YS 426765		2000	4 Pl B Coy contacted 4 VC and possible more at YS 426765. 1 VC KIA.	
		2312	Further VC movement in 1 RAR continued. A C Coy A C Coy patrol C/S 35, fired on 9 VC at YS 402749. The VC were wearing light coloured clothing and carrying packs. (Later a wounded VC who attempted to escape was shot by this patrol at YS 408739 at 060745 hrs. Blood trails indicated that at least 4 more had been killed or wounded.	
	6 Apr	1013	A United States VIP party visited 1 RAR. Members of the party were - The Deputy Secretary of Defence (Sirus R VANCE) Asst Secretary of Defence (Paul R AGNATIUS) Deputy Asst Secretary of Defence for Public Affairs (Phil J GOLDING. Escorting Officer was Col GREENLEAF (USAF)	

This form is to be enclosed with the Annexes in AF -C2119 (Adapted).

AF - C2118 (Adapted)

COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

Month and Year Apr 66

Reference Map XA BINH BA

Unit/Formation 1 RAR

Commanding Officer Lt Col A V PREECE

Place and Grid Reference	Date	Time	Event or Information	Annex letter and enclosure number
	6 Apr	1100	Patrolling of AO VICTORIA continued. Contacts with VC elms became less frequent as the Battalion Group firmly established its presence in the AO.	
		1130	Col McNAMARA (AHQ), Lt Col BEDDON (AHQ), and Capt J BROWNE (AFU) visited the Bn.	
YS 425695		1315	6 Pl B Coy found 1400 cubic feet of salt in a bin at YS 425695. The salt was destroyed.	
		2300	No contact was made by 1 RAR Patrols up to 2300 hrs.	
LONG TAN	7 Apr	0040n	1/4 Cav (1 Div) had one APC destroyed by RR fire and two soldiers wounded at LONG TAN. The unit also received some sa fire.	
YS 478645		0800	1 RAR patrols had no contact during the night.	
		0920	7 Pl C Coy made contact with 1 VC at YS 416765. The VC fled WEST.	
		1630	Senator TOWER (TEXAS) A member of the senate Armed Forces Committee visited 1 RAR.	
		1700	Patrolling of AO VICTORIA continued during the day. Only one contact was made. (C Coy at 0920 Above). Preparations commenced for the	

This form is to be enclosed with the Annexes in AF -C2119 (Adapted).

AF - C2118 (Adapted)

COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

Month and Year Apr 66

Reference Map XA BINH BA

Unit/Formation 1 RAR

Commanding Officer Lt Col A V PREECE

Place and Grid Reference	Date	Time	Event or Information	Annex letter and enclosure number
Continued	7 Apr	1700	road movement to BIEN HOA via hwy 15 on 8 Apr 66. 1 APC Tp, 161 FD Bty and A Echelon were to move by road to BIEN HOA. The remainder would follow by CH 47 to VUNG TAU then by C130 to BIEN HOA on 9 Apr.	
BINH BA		2300	No contact was made with the VC by fighting patrols.	
	8 Apr 66	0700	The road convoy to BIEN HOA (1 APC Tp and C Coy) departed from <i>for</i> BIEN HOA. The convoy travelled SOUTH and then moved onto the coastal road for BIEN HOA. The mov was completed without incident at 1130 Hrs.	
YS 466742		1109	10 Pl D Coy contacted 5 VC at YS 465745. One VC was WIA and captured.	
		1445	12 Pl D Coy contacted 7 VC at YS 469748. 1 VC was KIA and a wpn was recovered. 1 VC was WIA.	
		2300	1 RAR made no contact with VC elms. However 1/2 Bn which had taken over C Coys sector of the AO fired on 2 VC at 1905 hrs at YS 419738.	
BINH BA	9 Apr	0615	Sub Units commenced moving to BINH BA (South) strip for the move out to BIEN HOA. CH 47s were used on the extraction. The Bn Gp less C Coy flew to VUNG TAU and then by C130 aircraft to BIEN HOA.	

This form is to be enclosed with the Annexes in AF -C2119 (Adapted).

AF - C2118 (Adapted)

COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

Month and Year Apr 66

Reference Map XA BINH BA

Unit/Formation 1 RAR

Commanding Officer Lt Col A V PREECE

Place and Grid Reference	Date	Time	Event or Information	Annex letter and enclosure number
Bien Hoa	9 Apr	1310	The return to BIEN HOA was completed.	
		1315	An operation in BINH TUY Province planned to commence on 13 Apr 66 was cancelled. Advice was received that in place of the cancelled operation a further operation would take place in PHUOC LONG Province. This operation would be known as Op DENVER and would extend from 9 - 22 Apr. 1 RAR would leave for the op area on 13 Apr 66.	
	10 Apr 66	0900	Preparations commenced for Op DENVER. Local leave was permitted but leave to SAIGON was cancelled as there were disturbances and demonstrations in the city.	
	11 Apr	0800	Patrolling of the TAOR continued.	

This form is to be enclosed with the Annexes in AF -C2119 (Adapted).

AF - C2118 (Adapted)

COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

Month and Year Apr 66

Reference Map VIETNAM 1:50,000

Unit/Formation 1 RAR

Commanding Officer Lt Col A V PREECE

Place and Grid Reference	Date	Time	Event or Information	Annex letter and enclosure number
YT 036182	11 Apr	0845	4 Pl B Coy contacted 1 VC at YT 036182. The VC was wearing webbing and he fled EAST.	
		2000	No further contact was made in the TAOR during the period.	
BIEN HOA	12 Apr	0900	0 Gp was held in the briefing tent for Operation DENVER. (Op DENVER was to last from 13 - 22 Apr 66 and was a search and destroy operation in PHUOC LONG Province employing all units of 173 AB Bde (Sep).	
		2010	Advice was received that the movement of 1 APC Tp to SONG BE (YT155078) had been postponed. (NOTE: Eventually the mov of 1 APC Tp was cancelled altogether.)	
	13 Apr	0615	First elms of convoy left 1 RAR for Airbase BIEN HOA. (There had been a change in plans and now helicopters were NOT to be used in the lift to SONG BE (YU 1507) US Army was to lift the Bn in CARIBOU ac.)	
		1016	The lift to SONG BE (YU1507) was completed. 1 RAR established itself on the Northern side of the airstrip with its CP at YU 144077.	
		1215	Orders Group was ordered for 1215 hrs. (These orders were for an operation by B, C and D Coys, Bn HQ Tac party, elms of D16 Armour,	

This form is to be enclosed with the Annexes in AF -C2119 (Adapted).

COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

AF - C2118 (Adapted)

Month and Year Apr 66

Reference Map VIETNAM 1:50,000

Unit/Formation 1 RAR

Commanding Officer Lt Col A V PREECE

Place and Grid Reference	Date	Time	Event or Information	Annex letter and enclosure number
Continued	13 Apr	1215	elms of E 17 Cav, 161 Fd Bty RNZA and an ARVN Regional Force Group from SONG BE to be carried out in the area to the NW of SONG BE. The Fire support base and Bn tac CP would be established at LZ ORANGE (YU 053142) The group would be known as Force ESSEX.	
		1920	E 17 Cav returning on the road to the WEST of 1 RAR were fired on by snipers and they returned the fire.	
	14 Apr	0600	There was no further enemy activity near the Bn perimeter during the ni.	
		0650	The convoy group for the road mov to LZ ORANGE (YU 053142) had assembled. The convoy left at 0645. (Elms of E 17, elms of D 16, 161 Fd Bty, D Coy 1 RAR, Bn Tac Party and the ARVN Group.)	
		0810	The road convoy reached the release point (YU 045145) and established a defensive position with 161 Fd Bty taking up a position to support the heliborne assault onto LZ DIAMOND (YU 045196) by B and C Coys.	
YU 053142		0935	The Commanding General 173 AB Bde (Sep) Gen Paul F SMITH visited the Bn Tac Party.	
		1015	Advice was received that the heliborne assault was delayed until 1015.	

This form is to be enclosed with the Annexes in AF -C2119 (Adapted).

AF - C2118 (Adapted)

COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

Month and Year Apr 66

Reference Map VIETNAM 1:50,000

Unit/Formation 1 RAR

Commanding Officer Lt Col A V PREECE

Place and Grid Reference	Date	Time	Event or Information	Annex letter and enclosure number
Continued	14 Apr	1015	B and C Coy landed on a second LZ at YU 045176 that was not the proper LZ. This was due to an error in navigation. The assault was completed without incident.	
		1106	Brig O D JACKSON, Maj R F JOSHUA and Maj R HANNIGAN visited the Bn Tac Group.	
		1300	The ARVN Group (known as call sign VOUGH) conducted a search of the village at YU 046145. Elms of D16, E17 and D Coy 1 RAR acted as cordon.	
		1600	VOUGH (The ARVN Group with US Special Forces Advisors) made contact with 6 VC in the deserted village at YU 035151. The VC were pursued and arty was fired on their loc. No VC bodies were found.	
YU 035174		1750	B Coy contacted 3 VC at YU 035174. 2 VC were KIA and 1 VC WIA, 2 weapons were recovered.	
YU 044143		1900	D Coy (Maj I S FISHER) clearing patrol contacted 8 VC with 3 auto wpns at YU 044143. 54823 Pte R H LOVE suffered a gunshot wound in the right thigh. He was evacuated. The VC made off and suffered no casualties. Arty was fired on the area of the VC withdrawal.	

This form is to be enclosed with the Annexes in AF -C2119 (Adapted).

COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

AF - C2118 (Adapted)

Month and Year Apr 66

Reference Map VIETNAM 1:50,000

Unit/Formation 1 RAR

Commanding Officer Lt Col A V PREECE

Place and Grid Reference	Date	Time	Event or Information	Annex letter and enclosure number
	15 Apr 66	0700	There were no further contacts during the night.	
		0819	B Coy (Maj I D McFARLANE) made contact with 3 VC at YU 037163. A further 3 VC were sighted by B Coy at YU 042160 at 1845 hrs.	
			Following a sweep of the area NO VC were found.	
		0915	C and B Coys continued their movement towards the airstrip prior to evacuation by helicopter.	
		1130	The lift out of B and C Coys commenced. B Coy were lifted first followed by C Coy. C Coy lift was completed at 1132 hrs.	
		1205	The road convoy incl Bn HQ (-), D Coy and other arty and armour elms dep for SONG BE by road.	
		1300	All elms of the road convoy had reached the release point at SONG BE.	
YU 154078		1435	A warning order was issued for a one day search and destroy op in AO SPAIN in squares YT 0695, YT 1694, YT 1285, and YT 0585. O Gp was to be held at 1630 hrs. A Bn HQ Tac party, A, B, and D Coys plus 161 Fd Bty RNZA were to take part in the operation.	
		2200	NO Contact was made in the AO during the night.	

This form is to be enclosed with the Annexes in AF -C2119 (Adapted).

AF - C2118 (Adapted)

COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

Month and Year Apr 66

Reference Map VIETNAM 1:50,000

Unit/Formation 1 RAR

Commanding Officer Lt Col A V PREECE

Place and Grid Reference	Date	Time	Event or Information	Annex letter and enclosure number
SONG BE	16 Apr	0700	Lift by helicopter of B Coy commenced. The lift was into LZ JANE YT 084945. Bn HQ Tac party followed and then the guns of 161 Fd Bty, The lift in was completed without incident. A and D Coys then were lifted into LZ CINDY at 081896. The LZ was prepared beforehand by 161 Fd Bty RNZA.	
YT 086905		0955	A Coy found a VC Platoon sized camp at YT 086905. The camp had not been used for 4 - 6 months.	
YT 079947		1255	A group of 4 VC walking SOUTH down the road at YT 079947 were challenged by two Bn HQ sentries protecting the Bn HQ Tac Party at YT 079947. The sentries fired on the VC who made off. 1 VC was claimed as a probable WIA.	
		1550	A and D Coys were in position for the lift out from LZ LEMON (YT 110896) to SONG BE. The lift out of the two Coys and Bn Tac CP, B Coy and 161 Fd Bty was completed without incident. The search of the village of PHU RIENG (YT 101899) had proved fruitless.	
		1700	All elms had closed at SONG BE at 1735 hrs.	

This form is to be enclosed with the Annexes in AF -C2119 (Adapted).

AF - C2118 (Adapted)

COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

Month and Year Apr 66

Reference Map VIETNAM 1:50,000

Unit/Formation 1 RAR

Commanding Officer Lt Col A V PREECE

Place and Grid Reference	Date	Time	Event or Information	Annex letter and enclosure number
	16 Apr	1710	O Gp was held at Bn HQ for a mov by 1 RAR plus 161 Fd Bty RNZA to a new AO. The lift in by helicopter was to commence on the following morning to an LZ at YT 075876.	
		2300	NO incidents occurred within the AO at SONG BE.	
	17 Apr	0755	First elms of the lift in to LZ SAM arrived.	
		1020	The lift in of the Bn to LZ SAM was completed without incident. Coys commenced patrolling their allotted sectors.	
		1730	A number of old VC positions were discovered during the day. These included :- D Coy - 2 Coy size VC positions at 061569 - 4-6mths old. D Coy Bn Size VC camp at 045862. C Coy - Bn size VC camp at 068933 - 12 months old.	
		2300	Ambush patrols were placed out by the Coys during the night. They had NO contact.	
	18 Apr	0758	Advice was received that the Bn 2IC (Maj J A HOOPER) would visit the Bn at 1000 hrs.	
		0935	C Coy captured 2 VC bicycles that had apparently been abandoned	

This form is to be enclosed with the Annexes in AF -C2119 (Adapted).

AF - C2118 (Adapted)

COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

Month and Year Apr 66

Reference Map VIETNAM 1:50,000

Unit/Formation 1 RAR

Commanding Officer Lt Col A V PREECE

Place and Grid Reference	Date	Time	Event or Information	Annex letter and enclosure number
Continued	18 Apr	0935	by the VC only 10 minutes previously. The VC had fled.	
		1030	Advice was received that 1 RAR would move to a new location during the afternoon of 18 Apr 66. Orders Group was scheduled for 1300 hrs at Bn HQ location.	
		1436	Sub Units had began to arrive at LZ SAM.	
YT 075876		1500	The lift commenced to LZ COLGATE (YT 286961).	
		1747	The lift into LZ COLGATE was completed.	
		1921	C Coy (Capt C J G PEACOCK acting for Maj J J TATTAM) captured 2 VC suspects at YT 081869 at 0950 hrs. The VC suspects were handed over to ARVN elms that they had met in the area.	
		1928	A Coy captured 1 unarmed VC at YT 286964.	
YT 286966		2345	A Coy captured 1 VC at YT 286966. The VC was armed with a pistol and he subsequently claimed that he was a senior Captain of the 905 Bn of 250 Regiment. He was lifted to 173 Bde HQ early on the following morning and he gave a considerable amount of detailed intelligence information.	

This form is to be enclosed with the Annexes in AF -C2119 (Adapted).

AF - C2118 (Adapted)

COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

Month and Year Apr 66

Reference Map VIENTAM 1:50,000

Unit/Formation 1 RAR

Commanding Officer Lt Col A V PREECE

Place and Grid Reference	Date	Time	Event or Information	Annex letter and enclosure number
	19 Apr 66	0800	Patrolling of the AO commenced. Coys moved to both flanks during the day with the intention of harbouring that night around the area at YT 291950. C Coy was to remain at LZ COLGATE to protect the fire support base (161 Fd Bty RNZA) at YT 286966.	
		1700	Patrolling during the day yielded NO contact with the VC.	
		2300	Ambush patrols had NO contact with the VC during the night.	
	20 Apr	0843	Coys commenced movement on patrols through the area to the SOUTH to the next suspected harbour area at YT 289927.	
		1430	2 VC and 2 VC suspects were detained by 7 Pl C Coy at YT 288978. Medical supplies and clothing were found in huts in that area. VC lists of supplies were also found.	
YT 289926		1700	Bn HQ, A, B, and D Coys had harboured in the area of YT 298926. NO contact was made during the day.	
		1820	Op intention details were forwarded to 173 Bde. This Op intention provided for a cordon and search of BUNARD 11 village at YT 271873 commencing at 0700 hrs on 22 Apr. (Subsequently this plan was	

This form is to be enclosed with the Annexes in AF -C2119 (Adapted).

AF - C2118 (Adapted)

COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

Month and Year Apr 66

Reference Map VIETNAM 1:50,000

Unit/Formation 1 RAR

Commanding Officer Lt Col A V PREECE

Place and Grid Reference	Date	Time	Event or Information	Annex letter and enclosure number
Continued	20 Apr	1820	modified by 173 AB Bde and following a search of the northern end of the village by 2/503 Bn on 21 Apr 66, both Bns were evacuated on 22 Apr to SONG BE.)	
		2300	NO contact was made by ambush patrols.	
	21 Apr	0841	Coys (A, B and D Coys) commenced movement towards LZ BAYLOR. (YT267884)	
		1220	Advice was received from 173 AB Bde that the extraction of 1 RAR and 2/503 was to take place on 22 Apr. The date of extraction was brought forward one day from 23 Apr to ensure that members of 1 RAR would be present at BIEN HOA on 23 Apr when the Australian Prime Minister, Mr Harold HOLT, visited the camp.	
YT 290907	1240	1310	D Coy made contact with 4 VC at YT 290907. 1 VC was KIA and 3 VC claimed as WIA. The VC moved NW.	
		1440	D Coy made further contact at YT 286903 with 2 small groups of VC. The VC fled EAST.	
		1504	D Coy made contact with 3 further VC at YT 286901. The VC fled WEST.	
		1800	All units had closed at LZ BAYLOR at YT267884. 2/503 secured the LZ.	

This form is to be enclosed with the Annexes in AF -C2119 (Adapted).

AF - C2118 (Adapted)

COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

Month and Year Apr 66

Reference Map VIETNAM 1:50,000

Unit/Formation 1 RAR

Commanding Officer Lt Col A V PREECE

Place and Grid Reference	Date	Time	Event or Information	Annex letter and enclosure number
	21 Apr	2100	1 RAR protective patrols had no contact during the night.	
YT 267884	22 Apr	0830	Extraction of 1 RAR from LZ BAYLOR commenced.	
YT 142071		1000	All elms of 1 RAR had closed at SONG BE Airstrip (YT 142071).	
		1100	Extraction of 1 RAR elms by CARIBOU aircraft commenced.	
BIEN HOA		1500	All elms had closed at BIEN HOA.	
		2300	No contact was made in the BIEN HOA TAOR.	
BIEN HOA	23 Apr	0900	Preparations were made for a group of distinguished visitors who were to arrive at 1200 hrs that day. The visitors included the Prime Minister, Mr Harold HOLT, The Chief of the General Staff, Lt Gen Sir John WILTON, Mr JOCKEL of the Dept of External Affairs, The Australian Ambassador to SVN - Mr ANDERSON and the Comd AAFV, Brig O D JACKSON.	
		1000	Normal patrolling of the TAOR continued.	
		1500	1 RAR assumed responsibility for the security of the rock quarry at XT 978028.	
		2300	Patrols made no contact in the TAOR.	

This form is to be enclosed with the Annexes in AF -C2119 (Adapted).

AF - C2118 (Adapted)

COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

Month and Year Apr 66

Reference Map VIETNAM 1:50,000

Unit/Formation 1 RAR

Commanding Officer Lt Col A V PREECE

Place and Grid Reference	Date	Time	Event or Information	Annex letter and enclosure number
BIEN HOA	24 Apr	1000	Offrs Mess meeting was held.	
		1200	Preparations were made for Anzac Day service. Mr HOLT was to visit 1 RAR again on Anzac Day.	
		2300	No contact was made in the TAOR.	
	25 Apr	0850	The Australian Prime Minister, Mr Harold HOLT arrived for the Anzac Day Parade and Service. He departed at 1000 hrs.	
		2300	No contact was made in the TAOR.	
	26 Apr	2300	No contact was made in the TAOR.	
	27 Apr	0900	Patrolling of the TAOR continued.	
		1220	Advice was received from AVF that Air Vice Marshal HEALY, Group Capt COOMES and Wing Comd PALKER would visit 1 RAR on 28 Apr 66.	
		2235	A sentry in 7 Pl C Coy fired a MG burst at a figure on the wire in front of his position. The figure disappeared.	
	28 Apr	0415	A patrol of C Coy heard a shot 400 yds SE of their posn which was at GR 023167. Later they cleared the area but found nothing.	
			0900	Patrolling of the TAOR continued.

This form is to be enclosed with the Annexes in AF -C2119 (Adapted).

AF - C2118 (Adapted)

COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

Month and Year Apr 66

Reference Map VIETNAM 1:50,000

Unit/Formation 1 RAR

Commanding Officer Lt Col A V PREECE

Place and Grid Reference	Date	Time	Event or Information	Annex letter and enclosure number
BIEN HOA	28 Apr	2300	No contact was made in the TAOR.	
	29 Apr	0900	Patrolling continued.	
		1000	Preparations continued for the return of 1 RAR to Australia. The flights of 1 RAR to Australia were to cover the period 27 May-7 Jun.	
		1255	1 APC Tp reported sighting 2 sampans at 995234. This information was passed to CONG THANH District HQ, TAN PHU.	
		2300	No contact was made in the TAOR.	
	30 Apr	0900	Patrolling of the TAOR continued	
		1000	Maj Gen C E LONG (Deputy Chief of the General Staff) visited 1 RAR.	
		2220	Coys were advised that there would be no leave to SAIGON on the following day (1 May) due to the possibility of MAY DAY demonstrations in SAIGON.	

COMDS DIARY

SECRET

File: R569-1-44

1 RAR
BIEN HOA
29 Mar 66

OpO 7/66 (ABILENE)

References: Maps 6442 - IV, 6442 - 1, 6443 - 11,
6443 - 111.

1. Situation.

a. Enemy Forces. Annex A - ISUM (Issued).

b. Friendly Forces.

(1) 1 Div conducts ops in PHUOC TUY Province to locate and destroy the 94th and 5th VC Regts and MAY TAO Secret Zone.

(2) 2nd Air Div provides close air sp and tac airlift. (Incl sp from 7th Fleet and VNAF).

(3) TF 70.8 USN provides Naval gunfire sp.

(4) 10 (ARVN) Div conducts op on route 2 from LONG KIEN (4364) to BA RIA (XA PHUOC LE) 3660 and along highway 23 from BA RIA to 623650.

(5) 2nd and 3rd Bde conducts search and destroy op in designated areas (to be advised). 1/4 Cav protects gun areas. 1 RAR protects log areas at COURTENAY (4491).

(6) 1 RAR under comd 1 Div from 1200 hrs 29 Mar 66 until completion of op.

c. Atts and Dets.

(1) Remaining under comd FAC Team USAF

(2) Under comd from 1700 hrs
29 Mar 66. RRU Team
FO 7 Fd Arty, 1 Div.

(3) Under comd from 0630 hrs
30 Mar for Phase 1. Five M 48-A3 1/4 Cav

(4) In DS for duration of op 161 Field Bty RNZA

(5) In sp for Phase 1
7 Fd Arty, 1 Div
Two F-100 continual aircover
One pl gunships, 1 Avn Bn

(Country)
2. Mission. 1 RAR Gp is to secure 1 Div Log Base in area of airfield 455915 (Nickname HOT ROD).

3. Execution.

a. Gen Outline. The op is to be conducted in 5 phases.

(1) Phase 1.

(a) Rd move by A Coy + and 1 APC Tp + to secure airfield at 455915 (Nickname HOT ROD) by 0900 hrs 30 Mar 66.

(b) Concurrent mov by A Echelon (Fwd LOC) with 1 Div column on rd convoy to follow up para 3 a above. Rd convoy assembles 29 Mar at loc FFV2 (XT 0511).

SECRET

.../2. (2) Phase 2.

SECRET

-2-

- (2) Phase 2. Hel lift by Bn (-) on receipt of LZ secure from A Coy (Nickname ROUGH NUT) to LZ HOT ROD at 0835 hrs 30 Mar.
- (3) Phase 3. Deployment of 1 RAR Gp to ensure security of 1 Div Log Base in area of HOT ROD on 30 Mar.
- (4) Phase 4. Security of 1 Div Log Base and provide security for resupply convoys from BINH BA to LONG KIEN.
- (5) Phase 5. Extraction.

b. A Coy.

(1) Grouping.

- (a) Remaining under comd
MFC
Med Asst
- (b) Under comd from 1700 hrs
29 Mar 66.
Four SB's
FO Team 161 Fd Bty RNZA
One dml team 3 Fd Tp (4)
Interpreter 1 RAR (Sgt WELSH)
- (c) Under comd from 1700 hrs
29 Mar until completion phase 3 Aslt Pnr Pl 1 RAR
- (d) Under comd from
completion Phase 2. One sect 1 APC Tp (PWLH)

(2) Tasks.

(a) Phase 1.

- (i) Move by road with and under comd 1 APC Tp (+) for road mov to secure LZ HOT ROD.
- (ii) Clear to small arms range on either side of LZ. LZ is to be suitable for 20 slicks landing in staggered trail.
- (iii) Ensure LZ is clear of mines, booby traps and command detonated explosives.
- (iv) Clear on the following priority.
 - (aa) SW edge of village XA CAM MY (4692) (Nickname BROWN OWL).
 - (ab) NW edge of LZ.
 - (ac) SE edge of LZ.
 - (ad) SW edge of LZ.

(b) Phase 2.

- (i) Remain securing LZ until released on order. (Nickname WET TENT).
- (ii) Prep to release to C Coy on completion Phase 2 one sect APCs at H + 50 mins.
- (c) Phase 3. Redeploy in gen area shown in Annex P.
- (d) Phase 4. Patrol in AO sector 1.
- (c) Phase 5. On order.

SECRET

.../3. c. B Coy.

c. B Coy.(1) Grouping.

- | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| (a) Remaining under comd | MFC
Med Asst
Interpreter (ARVN) |
| (b) Under comd from 1700
hrs 29 Mar 66. | Four SBs
FO Team 161 Fd Bty RNZA |
| (c) Under comd from
completion of Phase 2 | One sect, 1 APC Tp (PWLH) |

(2) Tasks.

- (a) Phase 2. Second Coy in order of move.
- (b) Phase 3. Move from LZ to gen area shown in Annex P through A Coy screen.
- (c) Phase 4. Patrol in AO sector 2.
- (d) Phase 5. On order.

d. C Coy.(1) Grouping.

- | | |
|--|---|
| (a) Remaining under comd | MFC
Med Asst |
| (b) Under comd from 1700
hrs 29 Mar 66. | Three SBs
Interpreter 1 RAR (Cpl McAULAY)
FO Team 161 Fd Bty RNZA |
| (c) Under comd on
completion Phase 2. | one sect 1 APC TP (PWLH) |

(2) Tasks.

- (a) Phase 2. Last Coy in order of move after Bn HQ.
- (b) Phase 3.
- (i) Move from LZ to gen area shown in Annex P through A Coy screen. (Hill 243 at 471925 Nicknamed ORANGE BLOSSOM).
- (ii) Clear rapidly through village XA CAM MY. (Nickname BROWN OWL).
- (c) Phase 4. Patrol in AO sector 3.
- (d) Phase 5. On order.

e. D Coy.(1) Grouping.

- | | |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| (a) Remaining under comd | MFC
Med Asst |
| (b) Under comd from 1700
hrs 29 Mar 66 | Four SBs
FO Team 161 Fd Bty RNZA |

SECRET

-4-

(c) Under comd from completion Phase 2 One sect 1 APC Tp (PWLH)

(2) Tasks.

(a) Phase 2. First in order of move.

(b) Phase 3. Move from LZ to gen area shown in Annex P through A Coy screen. Clear creek line from 441915 to 456923. (Nicknamed SWEATY SHIRT)

(c) Phase 4. Patrol in AO sector 4.

(d) Phase 5. On order.

f. Mor Pl.

(1) Grouping.

(a) MFCs with rifle Coys.

(b) One sect remains BIEN HOA.

(c) One sect under comd 1 APC Tp for Phases 1 to 3.

(d) One sect moves by air with Bn HQ.

(2) Tasks. Provide sp within range.

g. Aslt Pnr Pl.

(1) Grouping. Under comd A Coy from 1700 hrs 29 Mar until completion Phase 3.

(2) Tasks.

(a) Phases 1 to 3. Provide assistance to A Coy for.

(i) Route clearing.

(ii) Mine clearing. (Pressure/Command detonated)
Carry two mine detectors.

(iii) Booby trap clearing.

(b) Phase 4. Protection Bn HQ and Bn res.

(c) Phase 5. On order.

h. Anti Tank Pl.

(1) Tasks.

(a) Move with Bn HQ.

(b) Protection Bn HQ.

(c) Bn res.

(d) OC Anti Tank Pl to arrange reception quartering teams from 1 Div approx 301000 hrs.

j. Bn Res.

(1) Comd. OC Anti Tank Pl.

SECRET

.../5. (2) Composition.

(2) Composition.

- (a) Anti Tank Pl
- (b) Aslt Pnr Pl
- (c) Five APCs 1 APC Tp (PWLH)

(3) Readiness. At 15 mins notice to move after completion phase 3.

k. 1 APC Tp.(1) Grouping.

- (a) Under comd from 1700 hrs 29 Mar 66. FAC Team USAF
FO 7 Fd Arty
- (b) Under comd from 0630 hrs 30 Mar 66. Five M48-A3 1/4 Cav.
- (c) Under comd for movement for Phase 1. A Coy (+)
- (d) Detached to each of A, B, C and D Coys for Phase 4. One sect APCs

(2) Tasks.

- (a) Phase 1. Move A Coy Gp to LZ HOT ROD and marry up with tanks from 1/4 Cav at 0615 hrs at rd junction XT 073131.
- (b) Sp A Coy in security of LZ HOT ROD.
- (c) Phase 3. When Coys pass through screen place under their comd one sect per Coy.
- (d) Phase 4.
 - (i) Assistance in protection of Div log base.
 - (ii) Provide escorts for resupply convoys to LONG KIEN.
- (e) Phase 5. On order.

l. 3 Fd Tp. Provide dml team (NCO + 4) to A Coy.

m. 161 Recce Flight.(1) Tasks.

- (a) Establish com and maint sec at LZ HOT ROD.
- (b) Provide.
 - (i) Phases 1 to 3.
 - (aa) Air OP on station above A Coy, APC Tp from 0630 hrs D Day to operate on Bn frequency for air relay tasks.
 - (ab) Air OP to remain on recce and air OP role.
 - (ii) Phase 4. Establish one SIOUX (H-13) and CESSNA 180 to operate from LZ HOT ROD
 - (iii) Phase 5. On order.

n. Coord Instrs.

- (1) Timings. Annex B Sequence of Events.
- (2) D Day. 30 Mar 66.
- (3) H Hr. 0900 hrs D Day.
- (4) Boundaries, Sectors, AO. (QUEENSLAND)- Annex P.
- (5) Rules of Engagement. SOP.
- (6) Dress and Recognition. SOP.
- (7) VCC, En docus. SOP.
- (8) Reports. Sitreps every hr 15 mins before the hr. While moving SOP.
- (9) Coord Conference. Coord conference/Orders group at 1530 hrs D Day at Bn HQ (451921).
- (10) Clearing Patrols. Move clockwise. Coys are to clear to junction points between Coy locs on patrol boundaries.
- (11) Stand TO Timings.
 - (a) 1915 hrs daily.
 - (b) 0630 hrs daily.
- (12) Fire Plan. DF and H and I to be submitted immediately phase 3 commences.
- (13) Convoy Escort. Coys should be prep to provide convoy escort troops as ordered. Details of these tasks are not yet known.
- (14) Order of Move by Hel. D, Bn Tac Party, B, Bn HQ, C.

4. Admin and Log.

- a. A Echelon. Established by road move at LZ HOT ROD.
- b. B Echelon. Remains present loc.
- c. Resup.
 - (1) By veh from A Echelon to coys.
 - (2) By air from B Echelon for special items.
 - (3) First resup D+1.
- d. Rat.
 - (1) Two days on the man.
 - (2) Two days reserve to be maint by A Echelon from D+1.
 - (3) Hot evening meal provided daily from D+1 incl.
- e. Water Pt.
 - (1) 1 Div will be estb WP in Div Log Base.
 - (2) NO local water is to be used unless sterilized and filtered.

- (3) Jerrycans for water SOP.
- (4) Shower buckets to be held by A Echelon.
- f. Medical.
 - (1) SBs with Coys.
 - (2) RAP with Bn HQ.
 - (3) Evacuation.
 - (a) Dustoff procedure SOP.
 - (b) Adjnt to inform 173 Bde of cas.
 - (4) Anti Mite. All clothing to be treated.
 - (5) Anti Malarial. Paludrine twice daily. Nets and repellent to be used.
- g. Clothing. Sect kit bags, each sect is to have.
 - (1) One sect kitbag with A Echelon.
 - (2) One sect kitbag with RQMS at B Echelon.
- h. Ammo.
 - (1) SAA. SOP.
 - (2) Mor ammo to be carried.
 - (a) APCs. Basic load.
 - (b) Sect with Bn HQ. 20 rds HE.
 - (3) M72. SOP
 - (4) Coloured Smoke. SOP.
 - (5) Marker Balloons. SOP.
- j. Local Purchasing. NO items of any nature are to be purchased or exchanged from any Vietnamese hawkers.
- k. Restricted areas. All villages and houses or shops in the AO are NOT to be entered by any soldiers when NOT on an operational task.
- l. Strength Returns. Op strength and nominal roll of rear details to be fwd to Adjnt by 1600 hrs D-1.
- m. Rd Movement.
 - (1) APC Tp (+), A Coy (+) move to LZ HOT ROD.
 - (a) Depart this loc 0600 hrs.
 - (b) Arrive rd junc XT 073131 at 0615 hrs. Marry up with 1/4 Cav.
 - (c) Make best speed to LZ HOT ROD.
 - (d) Report to Asst Div Comd (Brig Gen HOLLINGSWORTH) during phases 1 and 2. (Reporting detail, freqs, callsigns to follow)

(e) Convoy route plan Annex D.

n. A Echelon Rd Mov.

- (1) Coord. OC Admin Coy.
- (2) Depart this loc 1530 hrs D-1 for convoy assy area.
- (3) Check pts and detail Annex D.

o. Road mov to SNAKE PIT.

- (1) Coord. Bn TO.
- (2) Timings. Annex B.
- (3) Order of march. D, Bn Tac CP, B, Bn HQ, C.
- (4) Loading details. As detailed by Bn TO.

5

Comd and Sig.

a. Bn HQ.

- (1) Bn HQ will move in two groups.
 - (a) Tac party (less CO, COs Sig, BC) after D Coy.
 - (b) Bn HQ/Sp Coy (-) after B Coy.
- (2) Location.
 - (a) Phase 1. Present loc and SNAKE PIT.
 - (b) Phase 2. 456916.
 - (c) Phases 3 and 4. 451921.

b. Signal.

(1) Bn and Div SOIs change at 2400 hrs 31 Mar 66. This change affects all friendly forces in the 3 corps area. The new callword used by US units follows the telephone format.

(2) RSO is to instruct A Coy and 1 APC Tp in the details required for the rd mov comms (Div CGs command net freq 42.9 (primary) and 45.9 (altn) Callwords - BURBANK TAXI 6).

(3) Radio.

and 25-13

(a) Codes. SOI ~~20-13~~, KAC HE 743 and KAC JJ257 and authentication for Feb are in effect until 312400 hrs when the codes for Apr become effective. These are to be issued before the op commences.

(b) Additional to own SOIs, the 1 Div SOIs are effective as required.

(c) Nets. Bn Comd and Admin and Log nets as per Annex E.

(d) Netting. Bn Comd net is to open at 1500 hrs D-1. (29 Mar 66).

(4) Line.

(a) Rifle Coys are to carry.

(1) One reel unit CE 11 filled and one telephone.

SECRET

-9-

(a) One dispenser D10 cable is to be carried.

(b) Bn HQ as per SOP.

(c) Line diagram at Annex F.

c. Nicknames.

(1) Summary.

Serial	Nickname	Meaning	Issued By
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
1	FLUSH BUTTON	Move, or am moving	
2	SEAT DOWN	Prepare to move	
3	DATE ROLL	Have reorg or am in def posn	
4	SHAVING BRUSH	STANDDOWN	
5	TWEETY PIE	ARVN/PF	
6	BLUDGERS WAY	Road XUAN LOC- BARIA	
7	ROUGH NUT	LZ secure	A Coy
8	WET TENT	A Coy released from LZ security	Bn HQ
9	HOT ROD	Airfield 455915	
10	TEA POT	airfield 445744	
11	BROWN OWL	Village XA CAM MY (4692)	
12	ORANGE BLOSSOM	Hill 243 (471925)	
13	SWEATY SHIRT	Creek (460935 - 415898) SUOI SOC	
14	SHEBAS OWN	Hill at 450904	
15	HIGH BALL	Clearing patrols in	
16	TINKER BELL	Creek (468945 - 504918) SUOI RAN.	

(2) Block Nicknames.

Serial	A Coy	B Coy	C Coy	D Coy	Bn HQ
1	MOON MUSIC	HARVEST BLANK	LOW CORD	MUSTARD BRAVE	CREAM BOARD
2	END BABY	SOAP CARGO	MERSEY OPERA	FERRY CHECK	HEAVY PAINT
3	TOP LINK	GOLDEN BOX	GOOD BANDIT	PLEASENT IRON	SUMMER SAND
4	RACE CRACKER	INDIAN TRACK	HARBOUR RAIN	WINE REVIEW	WIDE EIGHTS
5	BAT ELM	BRIGHT PACK	SILVER MILK	BOOK FIGURE	SQUARE BLOND
6	COOL TOP	BLINK LOW	TORN STEEL	ENTER CHOISE	TOP HOUSE
7	FAIRY POP	DUTCH BOARD	NEWS CLOUD	GAME FLAG	LOST BOY
8	WILLOW CHAIN	FRUIT BABY	HIGH WET	SECOND LADY	LONDON KNIFE
9	ROPE ISLAND	OVEN RIDGE	NIGHT RIDGE	CORRAL PAINT	SUGAR MOUSE
10	SMALL NET	GUM RIDER	HEAVY SURF	OWL CHAIR	SHARP WORLD

d. Points of Origin. The following Points of Origin are to be used.

Serial	Time	POINTS OF ORIGIN
1	281800 - 291800	4095 GIRL. 5290 COUNTRY
2	291800 - 301800	4189 CAR. 5196 ANIMAL
3	301800 - 311800	4697 TREE 4888 RIVER
4	311800 - 011800	4397 FLOWER 4787 BOY

SECRET

- e. Q Hour. Q hr for the op is 0800 hrs.
- f. Synchronization.
- (1) Pre op. A time check is to be given by radio on Bn Comd net at 0530 hrs.
- (2) During op. A time check is to be given daily at approx 0715 hrs on the Bn Comd net.
- g. Passwords. The following challenges and passwords are to be used.

Date	PASSWORD	ALTERNATIVES
291200	PICTURE FEATURE	UNION JACK
301200	ASSUME PRETEND	SPACE LACK
311200	HALL ALLEY	LINGER SWIVEL
011200	PANT WADDLE	CANDY BRIDGE
021200	BRAD DONE	HOOP BASKET
031200	BROWN VENISON	RACKET STAFF
041200	TOAST ALTER	STURDY ROPE
051200	CRAZINESS THIRSTY	MUDDLE FULL
061200	LARCENY EARNEST	HURDS HEMP
071200	SORRY MESS	BERG TOWER
081200	KING JUNGLE	IDLE LAZY
091200	GALLANT KILLER	IDOL IMAGE
101200	RIDDLE RHYME	IGNORE OMIT
111200	FIRST HORSE	IMP PEST
121200	PILGRIM STATE	PEARL JEWEL
131200	READ WRITE	INCUR TOWARD
141200	RABBIT HARE	DESSERT CAKE
151200	RABBLE ROUSER	IDES TAX
161200	RABID VIOLENT	INHERIT MONEY
171200	RACE VOTE	INSURE GUARD
181200	RACK STRETCH	SUFFER ILL
191200	HEAT RADIATE	POTATO MOSS
201200	RADIO MORSE	SETTER DRAFT
211200	RADDISH UNION	IRK ANNOY
221200	RAFT LOG	IRON RUST
231200	JOLLY GIANT	NORMAL RUDE
241200	POWER HAWK	JERK TUG
251200	CHAMP CHEESE	RIDER JOCKEY
261200	RAJAH PRINCE	JOIN SEAM
271200	RAID PARLOUR	JOKER POKER
281200	RAIL ARGUE	TOE NUT
291200	PROBE RAIN	JUNK TRASH

A V PREECE Lt Col
CO 1 RAR

ACK.

Authentication

1. G. J. J.
Maj
S3

Annexes.

- A Intsum (Issued)
- B Sequence of Events
- C AGS
- D Road Movement
- E Radio Diagram
- F Line Diagram
- P Overlay showing Coy Boundaries in AO.

SECRET

DISTRIBUTION

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>Copy number incl annexes</u>
A Coy	1
B Coy	2
C Coy	3
D Coy	4
Sp Coy	5
Admin Coy	6 - 7
Mor Pl	8 - 9
Sig Pl	10
Aslt Pnr Pl	11
Anti Tank Pl	12
1 APC Tp RAAC (PWLH)	13
1/1 Cav	14
161 Fd Bty RNZA	15 - 19
3 Fd Tp RAE	20
145 Sig Sqn	21
161 Recce Flight	22
RRU — <i>Radio Research Unit</i>	23
FAC	24
1 Div	25 - 30
1 Div Sp Comd	31
7 Fd Arty Bn	32 - 33
ANGLICO 7th Fleet	34
173 Bde	35
CG 1 Div (Maj Gen DePUY) ✓	36
Asst Div Comd 1 Div (Brig Gen HOLLINSWORTH)	37
CO	38
2IC	39 - 40
OC Sp Coy (S3)	41
Adjt	42
IO	43
Asst Adjt (Asst S3)	44 - 45
Int Sec	46
RSM	47
AAFV	48 - 49
Comds Diary	50 - 52
Spare	53 - 60

SECRET

SECRET

Annex B to
1 RAR OpO 7/66
dated 29 Mar 66

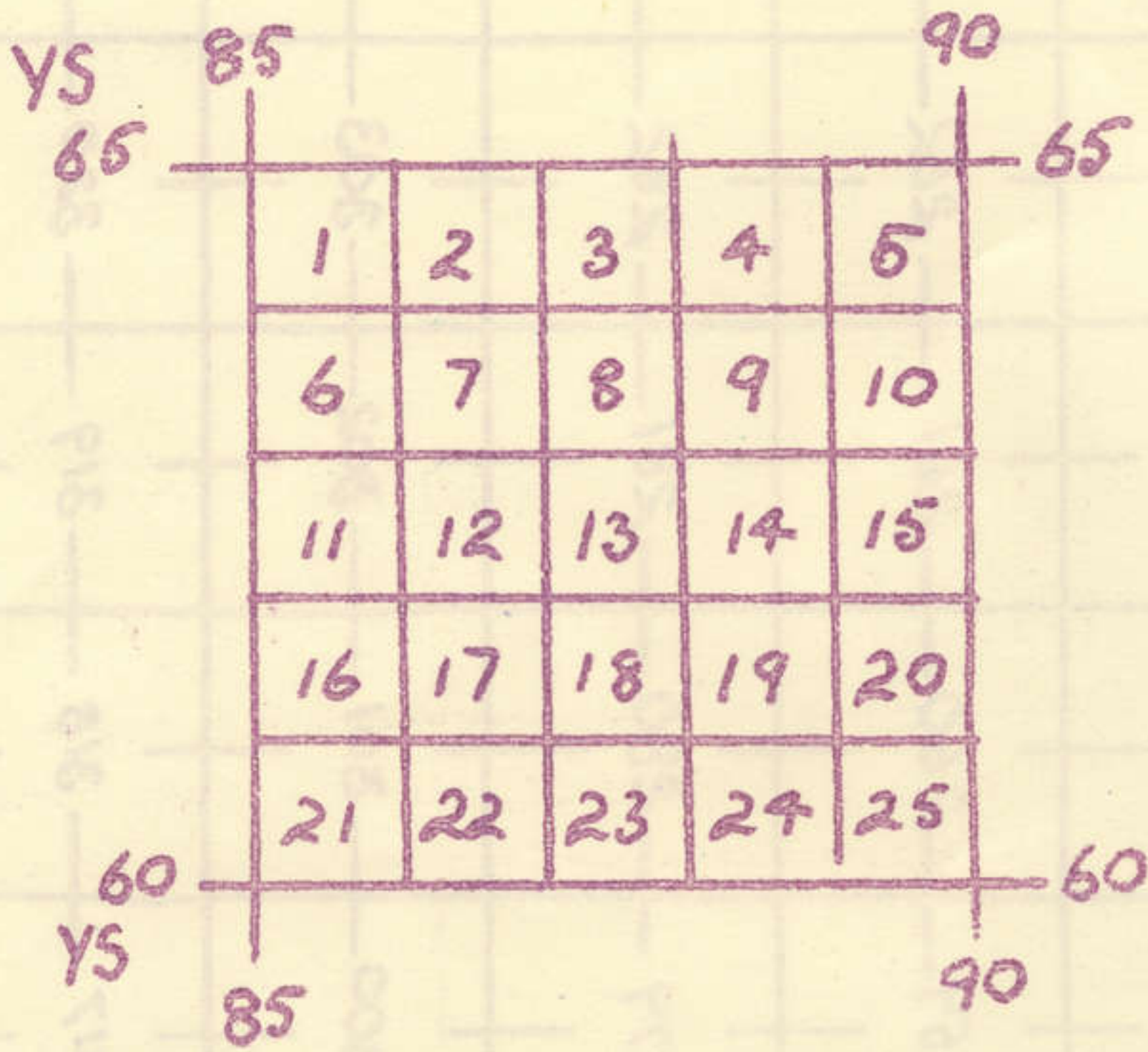
SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Serial	Time	Event
1	291500	Radio net opens.
2	291530	A Echelon convoy departs for assy area.
3	300600	1 APC Tp/A Coy depart for SP.
4	300615	1 APC Tp/A Coy marry up with tanks 1/4 Cav.
5	300630	1 APC Tp Gp crosses SP for LZ HOT ROD
6	300720	SUEOs group depart from Bn Car Park.
7	300725	Air Mov groups embuss 1 RAR Op base.
8	300740	Air mov convoy leaves for SNAKE PIT.
9	300815	Air mov group closed at SNAKE PIT.
10	300830	a. Road column (A Ech) crosses SP. * b. Air mov groups load first lift (40 slicks). * c. A Coy commences security LZ HOT ROD.
11	300835	1st lift departs SNAKE PIT.
12	300900 (H Hr)	1st lift lands LZ HOT ROD.
13	300925	2nd lift loads and departs (40 slicks)
14	300950	2nd lift lands LZ HOT ROD.
15	301000 approx	1 Div quartering parties (log area recce party) arrives LZ HOT ROD, met by OC Anti Tank Pl on LZ.
16	301100 approx	Road log convoy arrives LZ HOT ROD.
17	301530	Coord Conference/Orders group Bn HQ area.

NOTE : * = H Hr relates to the securing of the LZ HOT ROD. This time will be delayed if the LZ is not secure.

SECRET

CONFIDENTIAL



CONFIDENTIAL

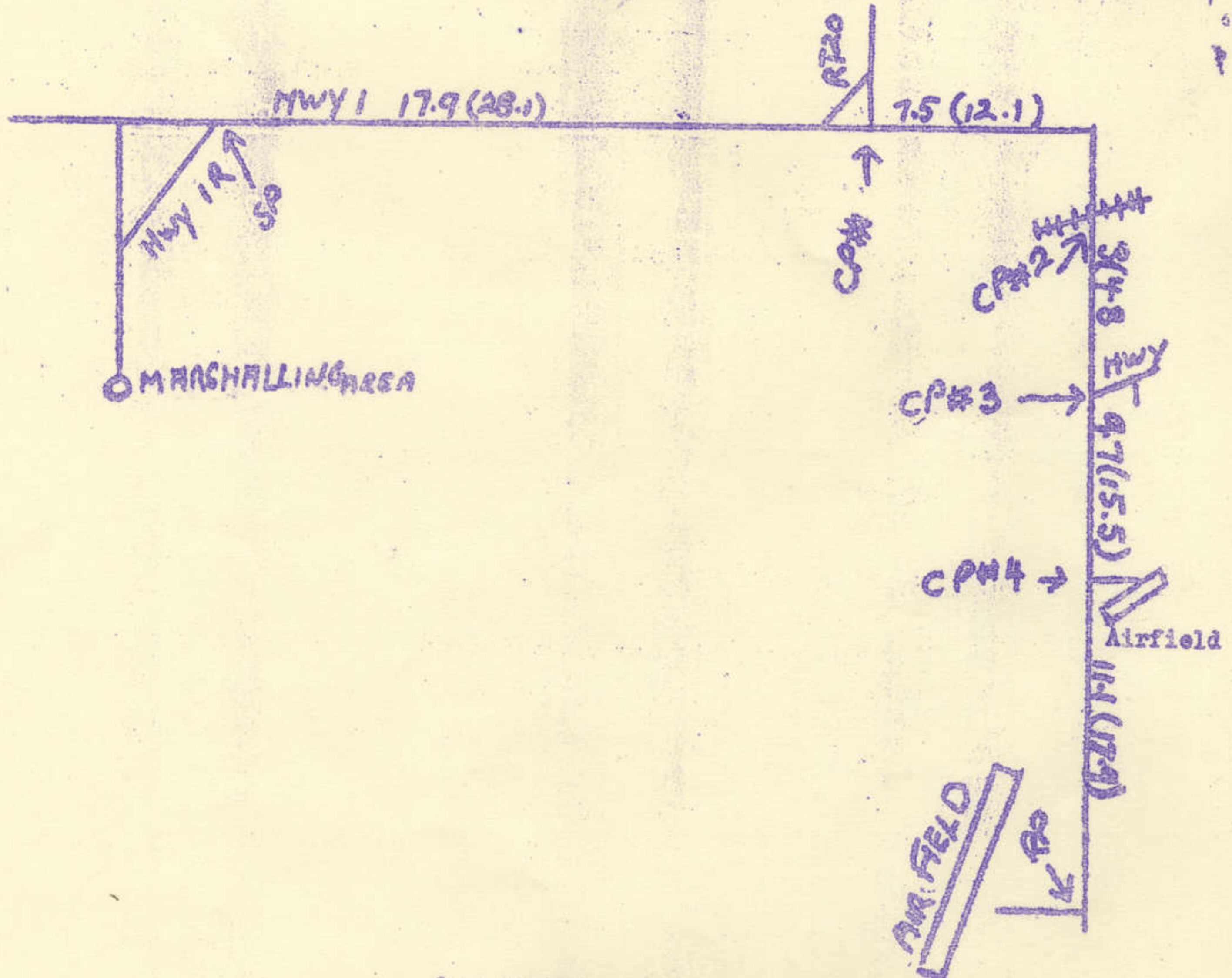
SECRET

Annex D to
1 BAR OpO 7/66
dated 29 Mar 66

LOG OF ROAD MOVEMENT

ROUTE	CHECK POINT	DISTANCE FROM LAST CHECK PT		DISTANCE FROM STARTING PT		TIME ARRIVAL (Min)	TIME CLEAR (min)
PURPLE	(SP) HW Hwys 1 & 1A	0 Mile		0 mile		H	H+51
	(1) HW Hwy 1 & RT 20	17.9 "	28.7 Km	17.9 "	28.7 Km	H+72	H+123
	(2) HW Hwy 1 & RR	7.5 "	12.1 "	25.4 "	40.8 "	H+102	H+153
	(3) HW Hwy 1 EAST & HW PURPLE	3.0 "	4.8 "	28.4 "	43.6 "	H+114	H+165
	(4) HW Loose surface rd to airfield	9.7 "	15.5 "	38.1 "	61.1 "	H+153	H+204
	(EP) HW RT PURPLE & airfield rd	11.1 "	17.9 "	49.2 "	79.0 "	H+197	H+248

Convey Speed : 15 MPH (24 KMPH)

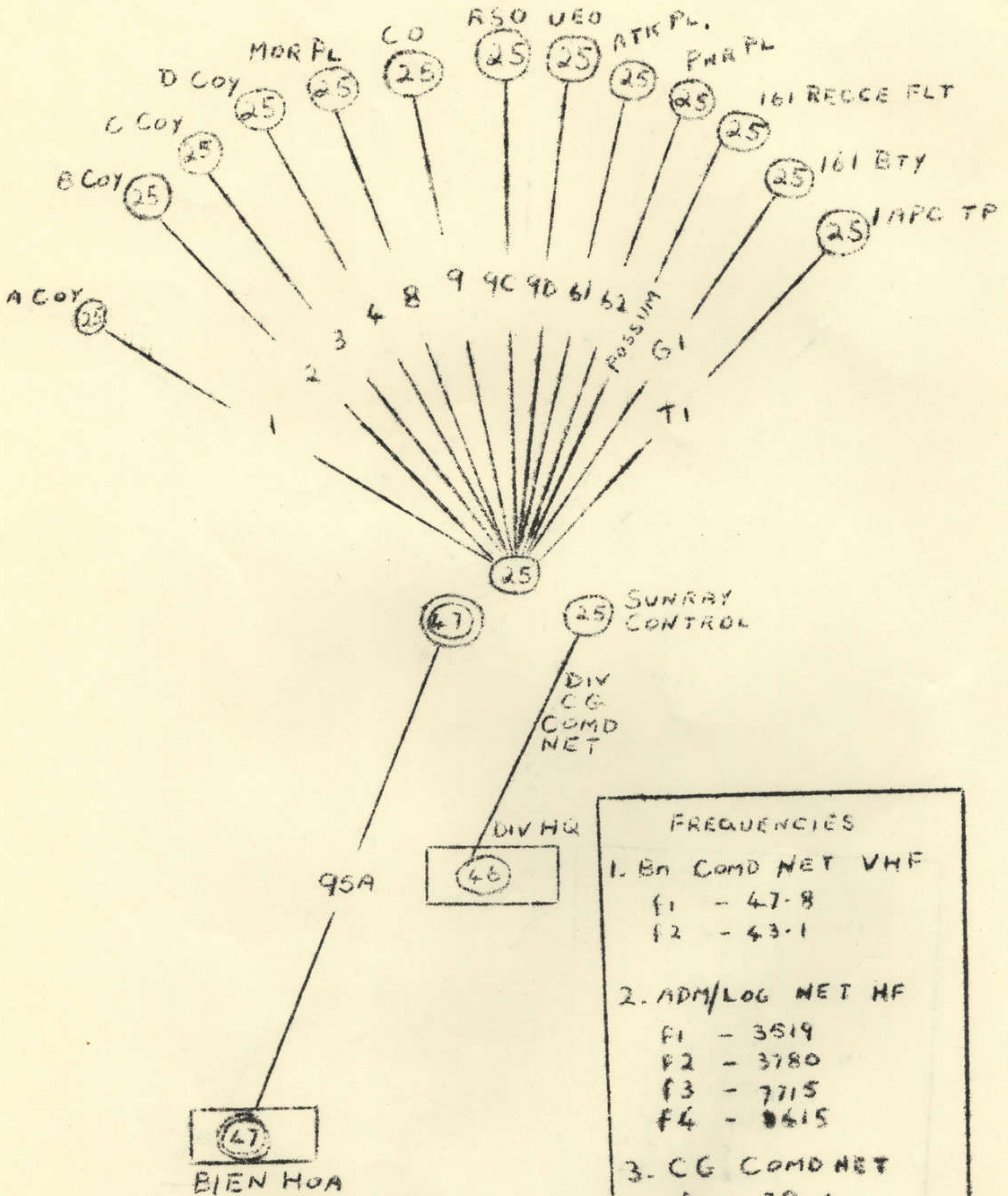


SECRET

SECRET

Annex E to
1 RAR OpO 7/66
dated 29 Mar 66

Bn COMD NET/REAR LINK NETS



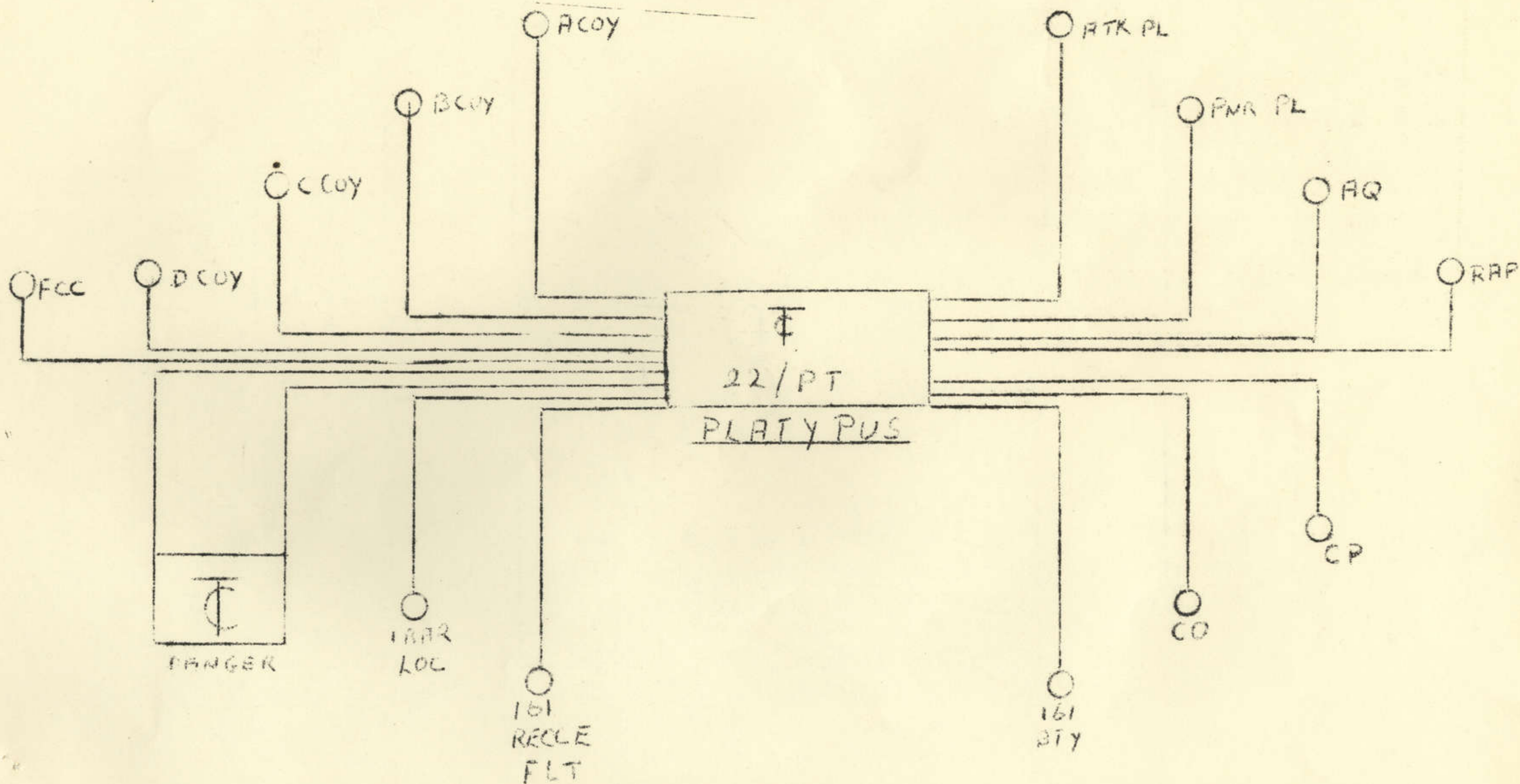
FREQUENCIES	
1. Bn COMD NET VHF	
f1	- 47.8
f2	- 43.1
2. ADM/LOG NET HF	
f1	- 3519
f2	- 3780
f3	- 7715
f4	- 8615
3. CG COMD NET	
f1	- 39.4

SECRET

SECRET

Annex F to
1 RAR OpO 7/66
dated 29 Mar 66

LINE DIAGRAM



SECRET

SECRET

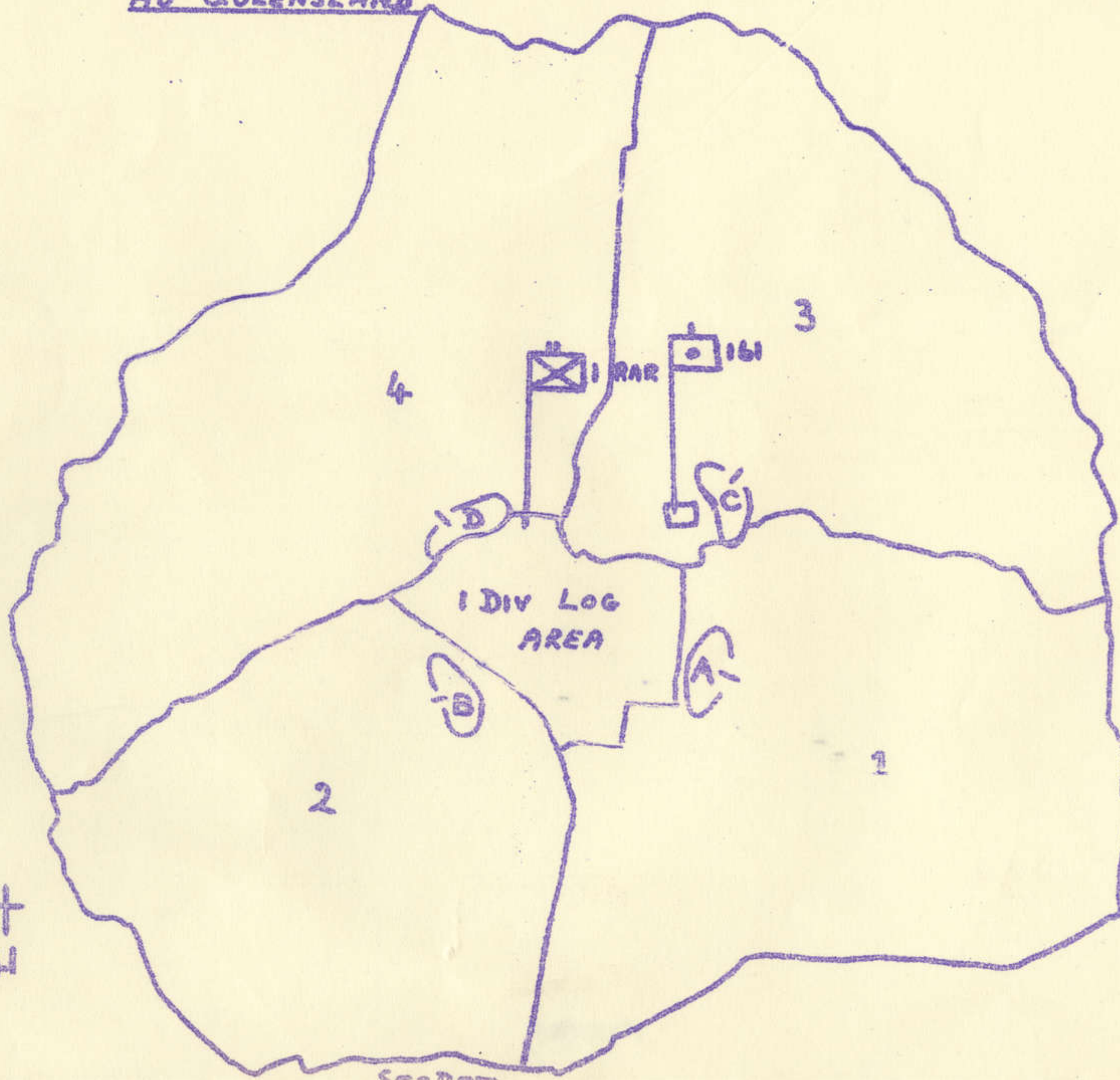
OVERLAY SHOWING Coy Locs, SECTORS, BDRYS

ANNEX P TO 1RAR

Op O 7/66 DATED 29 MAR 66

AD QUEENSLAND

96 + 40

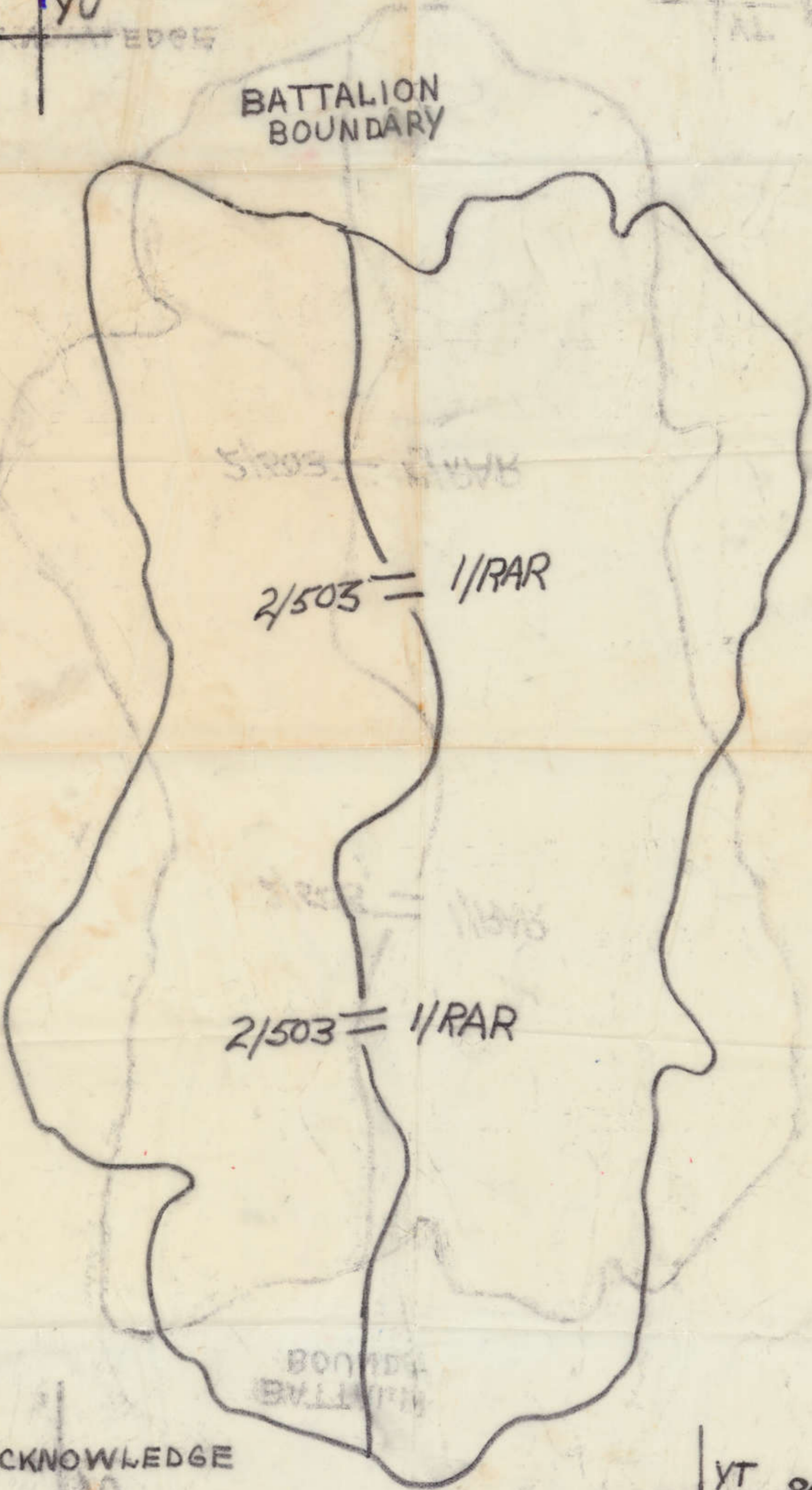
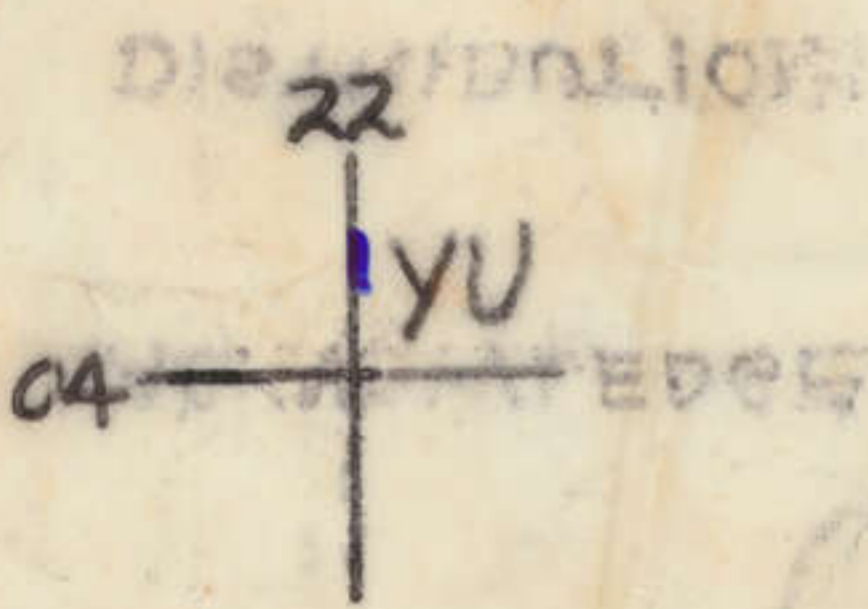


89 + 41

89 + 51

CONFIDENTIAL

CHANGE I TO ANNEX A TO FRAGO II
TO OPORD 5-66 (OP DENVER)

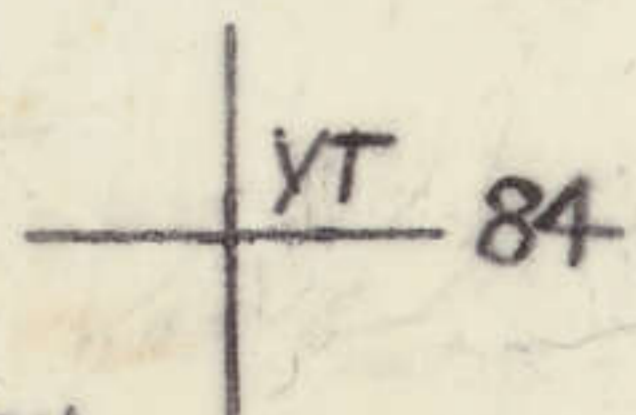


ACKNOWLEDGE

DISTRIBUTION: SPECIAL

OFFICIAL:

Christen
CHRISTENSON
C-3



SMITH
BRIG GEN 31

CONFIDENTIAL

2PMWA
R/1/15
PIF .06 004

CONFIDENTIAL

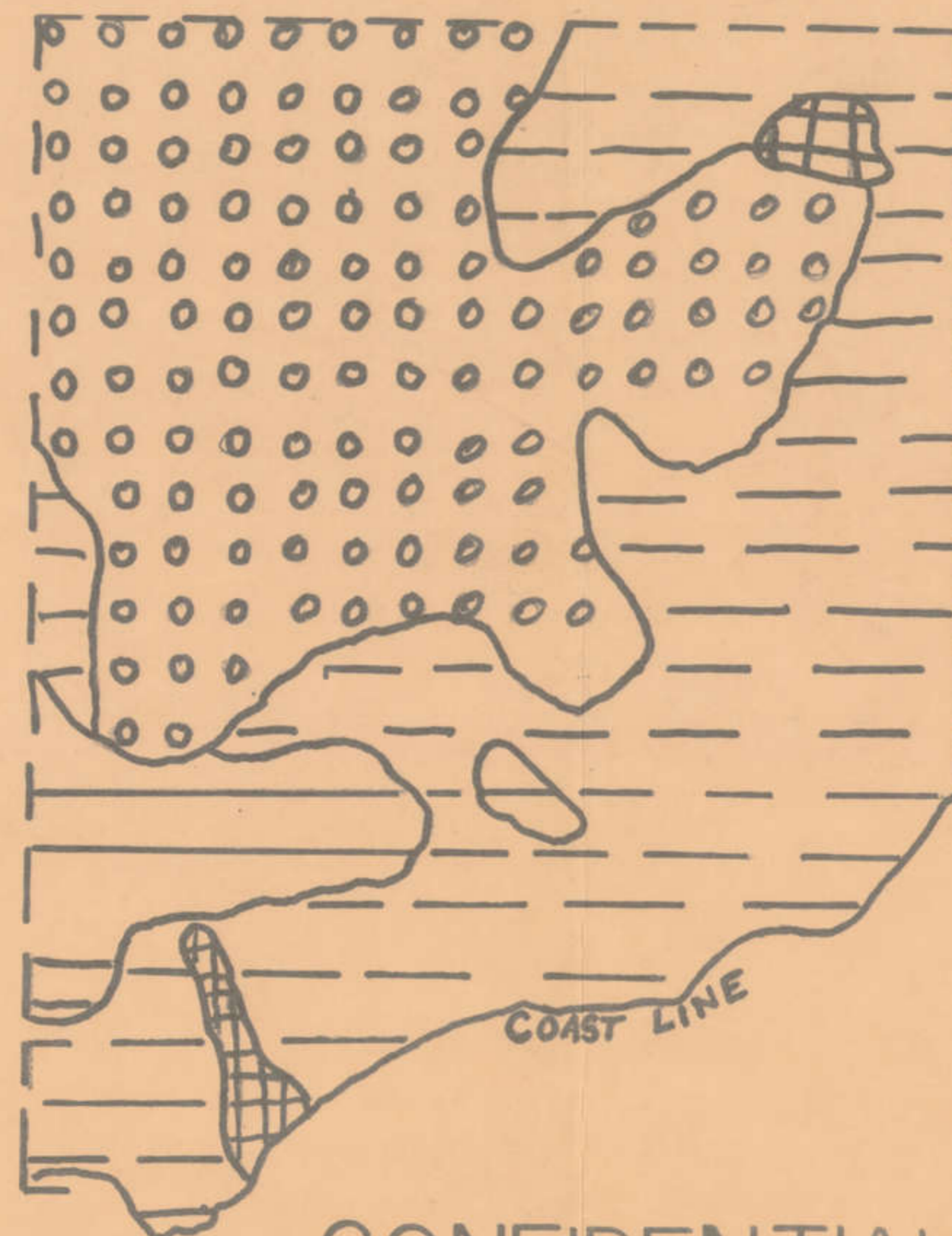
CY _____ OF 47 CYS
HQS 1ST INF DIV (REINF)
APO US FORCES 96345
201200 MAR 66

OVERLAY 2
APPENDIX 2 (DATA FROM AREA ANALYSIS
STUDY) TO ANNEX A (INTELLIGENCE TO
OPERATION ORDER 7-66 (OPERATION MEMPHIS (U)))

SUITABILITY OF SOIL FOR UNDERGROUND INSTALLATIONS

XT|YT
XS|YS

YT|ZT
YS|ZS



LEGEND:

- ooo TUNNELS - UNSUITED; INADEQUATE RELIEF BUNKERS- POOR; MUST DIG DEEP.
- - - TUNNELS- UNSUITED, INADEQUATE RELIEF BUNKERS- WELL SUITED; MANY SITES IN DEEP SOIL
- ||| TUNNELS - WELLSUITED; GOOD ROCK STABILITY BUNKERS-POORLY SUITED; SOIL COVER THIN
- TUNNELS-UNSUITED; INADEQUATE RELIEF BUNKERS-UNSUITED; HIGH WATER TABLE

ACKNOWLEDGE:

DISTRIBUTION: SAME AS BASIC PLAN

OFFICIAL:

Mann Maj
for SIMPSON

G-2

PLATE 8

CONFIDENTIAL

DEPUY
BRIG GEN

SUITABILITY OF SOIL FOR
UNDERGROUND INSTLS

UNITED STATES ARMY
ENGINEERING CENTER
FORT BELLEVILLE, ILLINOIS

OPERATION ORDER Y-60 (OPERATION MERRILL)
STUDY TO DETERMINE A (INSTALLATION TO
ANALYZE DATA FROM AREA ANALYSIS
OVERLAY 2

SUITABILITY OF SOIL FOR UNDERGROUND INSTALLATIONS

Y1 X1
Y2 X2

X1 Y1
X2 Y2

LEGEND
--- TUNNELS - UNGRADED; INADEQUATE RELIEF
--- TUNNELS - UNGRADED; HIGH WATER TABLE
--- TUNNELS - WELL SITUATED; SOIL COVER THIN
--- TUNNELS - WELL SITUATED; GOOD ROCK FIRMNESS
--- TUNNELS - WELL SITUATED; MANY BITES IN DEEP SOIL
--- TUNNELS - UNGRADED; INADEQUATE RELIEF
--- TUNNELS - UNGRADED; MUST BE DEEP



ACKNOWLEDGED:
DISTRIBUTION: SAME AS BASIC PLAN
OFFICIAL:
FOR SIMON
8-2

AMMS
7/1/69
Map No. 720

1 RAR OFFICERS AS AT 1 Apr 66

<u>Appointment</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Name</u>
Commanding Officer	1113	Lt Col	A V PREECE
2IC	335028	Maj	J A HOOPER
OC A Coy	335092	Maj	J B HEALY
OC B Coy	335062	Maj	I D McFARLANE
OC C Coy	28362	Maj	J J TATTAM
OC D Coy	17036	Maj	I S FISHER
OC Sp Coy	311479	Maj	J ESSEX-CLARK
OC Admin Coy	235045	Maj	B J HARPER
Adjt	29113	Capt	R A DUCIE
IO	235126	Capt	J G DERMODY
RSO	235204	Capt	M J CARROLL
OC Mor Pl	37811	Capt	M C PECK
QM	1252	Capt	T J BUCKLEY
RMO	43722	Capt	P HASLAU
2IC A Coy	235200	Capt	D F PAUL
2IC B Coy	235227	Capt	P M ARNISON
2IC C Coy	311519	Capt	C J PEACOCK
2IC D Coy	26931	Capt	D ROTHWELL
<u>Lts.</u>			
A Coy	18270	2lt	E J CULPITT
	214183	Lt	A W WHITE
	38175	2lt	C O WILLIAMS
B Coy	37772	2lt	G E BOLITHO
	37479	2lt	W H HINDSON
	37931	2lt	C J McINTYRE
C Coy	54726	2lt	J P DWYER
	19968	2lt	K W LUNNEY
	215573	2lt	R D LOFTUS
D Coy	38049	2lt	D S LIND
	16264	Lt	W J GILES
	17684	2lt	R J DAVIS
TO	53595	Lt	H E MARTENS
AQ	36822	2lt	J F IRVINE
OC Atk Pl	61317	2lt	W E KAINÉ
OC AsltPnr Pl	16001	2lt	A L GAVINE
2IC Mor Pl	37615	2lt	H E BROWN
Asst Adjt	216196	Lt	I M GUILD
1st Line Reinforcement	42332	Lt	G J PORTER
1st Line Reinforcement	53813	2lt	L E COOPER

ED

Op ABIGENE

30 Nov - 9 Apr 66.

AFTER ACTION REPORT

Operation No 7/66

2. Report by 1410588 Lcpl McINTYRE

3. 3 sec 10 Pl D Coy

4. a. Time of Action. 1100 hrs
b. Duration 10 min
c. Date 9 Apr 66 ?
d. Location BIN ~~HBA~~ B4A

5. Unit task. Recce ptl 3 men

6. Was it incident. Yes

7. Summary of action in chronological sequence.. VC digging in when spotted I saw five, but there could have been more I opened fire, as we were seen by two of them. I think one was killed, hit in the stomach. One hit on the left side, and one in the leg. I returned to the area later with the platoon but there were only blood trails which petered out.

8. VC
a. Strength 5 +

Type of VC. RF

c. KIA one

WIA 2

VGC 1

d-g Nil

h. Black pyjamas

j. Summary of VC actions. Bugged out

9. Own cas
Nil

10. Lessons learned. that even on recce pat's automatic weapons should be carried in case of unavoidable contact with enemy.

11. Comments. Subsequent clearing operations located 1 VC wounded (female) who was taken prisoner and also found two blood trails which were followed without result until they disappeared.

Comd Lcpl McINTYRE

Coy Comd I. S. FISHER Maj

M W McIntyre

Cpl Sgt RAL Engesser

eD

INSTALLATION REPORT

Report on Camp at GR 430715 found at Date/Time 031130 by 37931 2 Lt CJ McINTYRE
and 6 Pl B Coy 1 RAR.

1. Type of instl. Bunkers, Trenches, Wpn Pits, Hut.
2. Area covered by instl. 1,000 sq yds.
3. Defensive Layout. Wpn pits only.

Type of construction used. Wpn pits revetted

No of pits. Approx 12

Size of unit or sub unit you estimate would occupy defensive layout..
Squad - possibly Platoon

Were pits in ALL ROUND DEFENCE Yes

Were pits individual Yes
2 Man Yes

How old was the instl. No older than a month

Were there any early warning posts or devices Yes sentry
Which direction from instl. WEST

4. Do you consider this instl was used as Training. Yes

Occupied by how many people. 10

Was defensive layout part of Hamlet. No

Were building materials used. Yes local timber and bamboo, thin metal sheeting.

5. Obstacles 2 Brief description. Electrically detonated mine. Untied trip gren.
6. Does it appear that the area was bombed or strafed recently. No
7. Remarks. Marker balloon erected for air strike. 2 air strikes ineffective

2Lt CJ McINTYRE
1

INSTALLATION REPORT

CD

Report on Village at GR 424701 found at 071145 by 53760 Sgt TE PROSSER 2ic 5 Pl B Coy

1. Type of instl. 2 Bunkers. Wpn pits.

Area covered by instl. 70 x 50 - 3500 Sq yds.

2. a. Defensive Layout. Wpn pits only.

b. No of pits. 6

c. Size of unit or sub unit you estimate would occupy defensive layout. Section

d. Were pits in all round defense. Yes

e. Were the pits individual. Yes

f. How old were the pits. 1 year

g. Was the defensive layout near: Track

3. Village instl.

a. Number of huts. 4

b. Family. Yes

c. Presently occupied. Yes

4. Do you consider this instl was used as.

Hospital. Yes Base Camp Yes Other. Cadre HQ

Occupied by how many people. 12 permanent

5. Obstacles. Dense bamboo

6. Does it appear that the area was bombed or strafed recently. Yes

How long ago. Approx 1 month. No hits

7. Remarks. A few documents were found and backloaded. The huts were burnt.
6 recent (2 months) graves were close by.

Sgt TE PROSSER

AFTER ACTION REPORT

CD

1. Operation No 6/66
2. Report by 16264 Lt W. GILES
3. 11 Pl D Coy
4. a. Time of action 1130 hrs
b. Duration 10 Mins
c. Date
d. Location 083396
5. Unit tasks
Ptl D Coy TAOR
6. Has it contact. Yes
7. Summary of action in chronological sequence.

The ptl approached the SONG BE in the area of the HANG CHAO rapids and observed a woman bathing in the stream near the southern bank. Clearance was asked for but in the meantime the woman went back up the bank. A man then came down and 40 metres to the WEST another group of 4 appeared. The ptl was instructed to find a way across the river but we were seen. The enemy were engaged and two were seen to fall, one into the river. Mortar fire was then brought down onto the target area and at 1630 the ptl crossed the river to the en camp.

8. VC
 - a. Strength 7
 - b. Type of VC Guerilla
 - c. VC Cas. KIA 2 possible

GILES Lt

AFTER ACTION REPORT

1. Operation No 7/66
2. Report by 215312 L CPL BA SMITH
3. 3 sec 8 Pl C Coy
4. a. Time of action: 1030 hrs
b. 3 minutes
c. Date 2 Apr 66
d. Location: GR423755
5. Unit/sub unit tasks: Patrol by section clearing rubber plantation
6. Was it contact? Yes
7. Summary of action in chronological sequence: Patrol was moving to the NORTH clearing the rubber. The gunner observed a native "hutchie" 40 yds to the NORTH. The section was then deployed to do a sweep. Once the sweep started 2 VC were seen running to the NE. The M60 opened up inflicting wounds on 1 VC. Simultaneously a VC was seen to move in the hutchie. On my command the M60 fired on the "hutchie", wounding the VC. A sweep of the area was carried out in the direction the VC fled with no result. The wounded VC was evacuated.
8. VC
 - a. Strength: 3
 - b. Type: Local
 - c. VC cas
 - i KIA: 1 probable
 - ii VCC: 1
 - d. VC was evacuated by APC
 - e. VC dress: Multi colours
 - f. Summary of VC actions: Ran to NE

Comd L CPL BA SMITH

Coy Comd Maj JJ TATTAM

CD

AFTER ACTION REPORT

Op No 7/66

Report by 52745 WO2 HE SMITH CHQ B Coy 1 RAR

1. a. Time of action -
b. Duration 10 mins
c. Date 2 Apr 66
d. Location GR 465745

2. Unit/sub unit task Secure LZ BINH BA

3. Summary of Action in Chronological Sequence. CHQ were mounted on T1 and 10 A APC's a report was received that a VC Coy had been sighted withdrawing EAST in the rubber from BINH BA Plantation buildings. T1 and 10A moved up to investigate, SOUTH of the village MS 4474, enemy were observed fleeing from the jungle edge. They were engaged by the APC's and members of B Coy acting as shotguns, two VC were hit by fire from the APC's and killed, a third VC was struck by small arms fire, was seen to fall down, drop his rifle which was recovered and was blood stained. The VC returned no fire at all. An Air strike was subsequently on their withdrawal route through the scrub EAST of the plantation.

4. Was it a Contact Yes

5. VC
a. Strength 12
b. Type. Main Force
c. VC Cas. KIA 2 WIA 1

6. VC were disposed of by.
a. Buried Yes b. Location GR 465745

7. a. Summary of documents and kit recovered. M26 Grenades, Gren Launcher, Documents Equipment and ammunition.
b. Wpns recovered. 2 USA Garand Rifles
c. USA M1, M2, BAR
VC Dress. Black cloth sandals, blue jeans blue shirts.

8. Own Cas. Nil

9. Lessons Learned.

- (i) In this case the results were achieved by quick follow up action.
 - (ii) The driver and gunner of the APC has a limited field of view, troops acting as shot gun, must draw the gunners attention to targets out of his field of vision.
 - (iii) Communications were inadequate between driver and commander because the APC Comd has to take his hands off the gun to use his "Pork Chop".
- Had the APC's been fitted with modern com facilities. The pursuit would have been highly successful.

WO2 HE SMITH

AFTER ACTION REPORT

1. Operation No: 7/66
2. Report by 19968 2Lt KW LUNNY
3. 8 Pl C Coy
4. a. Time of action: 1530 hrs
b. Duration: 15 minutes
c. Date: 2 Apr 66
d. Location: GR 424763
5. Unit/sub unit tasks: Patrol in APC through rubber
6. Was it contact? Yes
7. Summary of action in chronological sequence: The pl, in two tracks, set off from the coy base to search to the NORTH and EAST. After zig-zagging from NORTH to EAST I decided to turn around and have one look to the WEST before returning to base. At GR 425763 five bikes were found hidden under some leaves and branches. Just as they were put on the tracks 5 VC were seen running across our front from SE to NW. The gunner on my APC fired 100 rds of .50 cal in the direction of the VC. One was seen to fall. Both tracks then searched the area in line abreast and after sweeping for 180 yds four locals came out of hiding and gave themselves up. A search was made for the fifth but the body was not found.
8. VC
 - a. Strength: 5
 - b. Local
 - c. VC Case
 - i WIA : 1 (found by A Coy on the morning of 3 Apr 66)
 - d. VC were disposed of by handing over to Bde PW guards
 - e. VC dress: Black shirt and trousers
 - f. Summary of VC action: Once the .50 cal opened up they started zig zagging and ducking behind trees. Once out of sight they hid behind a large fallen tree and when the APCs were 15 yds away they gave themselves up.

Comd 2Lt KW LUNNY

Coy Comd Maj JJ TATTAM

AFTER ACTION REPORT

CB

Op No 7/66

Report by 2Lt GE BOLITHO Comd 4Pl B Coy 1 RAR

1. a. Time of Action. 2010 hrs
- b. Duration. 10 mins
- c. Date. 2 Apr 66
- d. Location. GR 426734
- e. Task. Ambush track junction by night.

2. Was it a Contact. Yes

Moon conditions Full

3. Summary of Action in Chronological Sequence. On reaching the ambush site I deployed one section and a GPMG to each flank approx 10 metres NORTH of the track covering it so that the MG fire enfiladed and interlocked on the track. At 2010 hrs 6 VC appeared moving WEST to EAST along the track. Another appeared to be following about 30 metres behind the first gp. The VC had rifles slung over their shoulders, the first wore a white shirt and the second was exceptionally tall. As the gp reached the centre of the ambush, fire was opened by my ambush. The first VC was seen to ~~split~~ and fall and a VC in the centre of the group fell to his knees and then fully to the ground. At the first sound of fire the tall VC fled off the SOUTH side of the track, the others stood still for perhaps 4 secs before moving. As I could hear noise to my right flank and thinking that the following VC party was trying outflank my group, I withdrew approx 100 metres to a posn where we could ambush the outflankers. There was however no further contact. I directed Arty fire into the area. A search at first light showed many fresh tracks through the scrub from the track but no bodies. At no stage did the VC return fire

4. VC

Strength 5

Type Local

VC Cas. 2

AFTER ACTION REPORT

CD

Op 7/66

Report by 37931 2Lt CJ McINTYRE comd 6 Pl B Coy 1 RAR

- a. Time of action. 1130 - 1330 hrs
- b. Duration 2 hrs
- c. Date 3 Apr 66
- d. Location. GR 430715

2. Sub unit task. Search and Destroy

3. SUMMARY OF ACTION IN CHRONOLOGICAL SEQUENCE. The Pl was advancing EAST along the ridge at GR 430715 when the forward section saw a VC ahead of them. The VC was engaged and withdrew EAST. I brought up another section and advanced two sections up. The area in which the VC was first contacted had pits with overhead protection and further up the ridge we came upon more pits and a hut of corrugated metal. (Instl report submitted). The front left section contacted 3 - 4 VC as we entered this area. The VC withdrew gradually NORTH and the section commander deployed but did not follow as he sensed a trap. His fears were justified some 30 secs after he had halted his section when a very large explosion came from the area the VC had just withdrawn into and afterward proved to be an electrically detonated mine. I could not tel whether it was of the Claymore type. I then secured the area of the camp and used artillery on the most likely withdrawal routes for the VC before carrying out a detailed search. (See instl report). At about 1315 the MG No 1 of the NE section sighted 2 VC and they were engaged by the section on that side plus the MG in the flanking section. After a few seconds loud screaming was heard and the fire was stopped. An unarmed VC with his hands up appeared. He was covered as he approached however as soon as he was close enough to have a good look at us he went to ground and two automatic wps fired at us from his right. Fire was returned immediately he moved and blood stains were later found in this area with a light blood trail leading from it. Very shortly after this the section on the opposite side of the perimeter saw 4 VC wearing packs moving rapidly away from him approx 50 metres away.

4. VC

- a. Strength. At least 5 up to 10
- b. Type. Main poss mobile
- c. VC Cas. 1 WIA
- d. Dress. 1 seen had blue green shorts.

5. Own Cas. Nil

2Lt CJ McINTYRE

CP

AFTER ACTION REPORT

- 1. Operation No 7/66
- 2. Report by 16264 Lt GILES

- 3. 11 Pl D Coy
- 4. a. Time of action 2045 hrs
- b. Duration. 30 mins
- c. Date 4 Apr 66
- d. Location 463728

- 5. Unit tasks
- 10 man ambush

- 6. Was it contact. Yes

- 7. Summary of action.

The ambush was set and in posn by 1930. at 2045 5 VC walked in and the ambush was triggered by the machine gun 4 VC were seen to fall and one escaped. It was thought that the two at the rear were attempting to crawl away so two M26 grenades were thrown, it is thought that during this period one of the first two VC crawled off. Two wpns were recovered. The ptl then retured 100 metres to the WEST and returned at first light to search the area.

- 8. VC
- a. Strength 5
- b. Type. Guerilla
- c. VC cas. KIA 3
- WIA 1

GILES Lt

AFTER ACTION REPORT

1. Operation No 7/66
2. Report by 61253 Cpl GG CRICK
3. 1 Sec 8 Pl G Coy
4. Time of action: 2300 hrs
Duration: 45 minutes
Date: 5 Apr 66
Location: GR408736
5. Unit/sub unit tasks: Ambush
6. Was it contacts: Yes
7. Summary of action in chronological sequence: The contact came as a result of a see ambush consisting of 3 groups, two of 4 men, one of 3. At 2300 hrs 5 VC entered the ambush moving rapidly along the track from SW to NE. The northern MG group sprung the ambush as the first gp of 5 VC entered the killing area. Because of the moonlight and lack of cover, the ambush was sited approx 35 ft off the track. As the ambush was sprung a second gp of 4 VC moving rapidly approx 30 ft behind the first gp entered the ambush position. Approx 25 ft from the corner of the track the first gp of VC cut the corner and came out 30 ft NW of the ambush posn. By this time the complete ambush were firing resulting in 2 VC dropping to the ground. Soon after firing commenced the area became completely obscured by dust. The VC did NOT return fire and after a quick search no bodies were found. We then withdrew to our alternative posn. The following morning during a detailed search of the area, 4 heavy blood trails were found. After following these up a wounded VC was found, engaged by a member of the rifle gp and killed by a burst of M16 at a distance of 30 ft.
8. VC
 - a. Strength: 9
 - b. Type: Mobile
 - c. VC cas
1 KIA and 4 probables
 - d. VC buried at GR 408739
 - e. Summary of docs and kit recovered: 1 VC pack, 2 hats, 1 set basic webbing, 1 9mm auto wpa mag, 1 pr trousers
 - h. VC dress: Multi colour
 - j. Summary of VC actions: On entering the ambush tried to cut the corner and kept running
10. Lessons learned: All pits should be sited so as to bring fire on the ambush area Claymore mines should be considered as a possible wpa in ambush posn

Comd Cpl GG CRICK

Coy Comd Maj JJ TAPPAN

CP

AFTER ACTION REPORT

2. Operation No: 7/66
2. Report by 2411585 Sgt DG SAVILLE
3. 1 Sec 7 Pl C Coy
4. a. Time of action: 0920 hrs
b. Duration: 10 minutes
c. Date: 7 Apr 66
d. Location: GR 416765
5. Unit/sub unit tasks: Patrolling C Coy TAOR
6. Was it incident? Yes
7. Summary of action in chronological sequence: Fwd scout was one VC and fired 1 rd and had a stoppage. M60 fired as VC ran off. Followed up and searched area without result
8. VC
 - a. Strength: 1
 - b. Type: Local
 - c. VC org not known
 - g. Wpn identified on action: One wpn not identified
 - h. VC dress: all black
 - j. Summary of VC action: When fired on, ran off and did not attempt to return fire
10. Lessons learned: M16 once again proved to be unpredictable

Comd Sgt DG SAVILLE

Coy Comd Maj JJ TAYLOR

AFF R ACTION REPORT

1. Operation No 7/66
2. Report by 38049 2Lt LIND
3. 10 Pl D Coy
4.
 - a. Time of Action 1115 hrs
 - b. Duration 10 min
 - c. Date 8 Apr 66
 - d. Location 468739
5. Unit /sub unit. Search & destroy in area bounded by SUOI DA BANG creek to west north of 735 northing sth of 755 northing and east on coy boundary.
6. Was it a contact. Yes
7. Summary. A previous contact had flushed a party of about 6 VC towards my pl firm base. The VC were sighted and fired at from a distance of about 50 metres through thick scrub. The VC quickly disappeared to the SE
8. VC
 - a. Strength. 5 or 6
 - b. Type. Guerilla
 - c. NO cas
 - d-g Nil
 - h. Greens black pyjamas
 - j. Summary of VC actions
Very little
9. Own cas Nil
10. Lessons learned. Nil

Comd LIND 2Lt

Coy Comd I. S. FISHER Maj

AFTER ACTION REPORT

- 1. Operation No 7/66
- 2. Report by 17864 2Lt DAVIS
- 3. 12 Pl D Coy
- 4. a. Time of Action. 1505 hrs
 b. Duration. 5 mins
 c. Date. 8 Apr 66
 d. Location. 466750
- 5. Sub Unit tasks. 12 Pl to lay cordon across ridgeline and lay in ambush for possible movement of en from SOUTH as 10 Pl pushed NORTH from SOUTH of my loc
- 6. Was it contact. Yes
- 7. Summary of action in shronological sequence. Cordon in posn by 1300. Members in sec nominated to watch rear. The cordon was laid in the direction NE-SW 10 pl continued sweep from SOUTH to own loc. At approx 1505 , a group of 2 en approached an loc from the WEST (right rear of our loc). Seen by members in depth who fired 3 shots with an SLR, killing one VC. At the same time the RIGHT flank MG firing SW, fired on a group of approx 5 VC at a range of 50 m. They observed 2 VC wounded. The VC fled WEST to a creek line. No tracks or signs of blood were found after the contact.
- 8. VC
 - a. Strength 7
 - b. Type. Guerilla
 - c. VC Cas
 - 1 KIA
 - 2 WIA
- 8. Were VC cas disposed of by
 - Buried ...Yes Location 466749
 - e Summary of docs and kit recovered. These were sent to the Bn I sec for investigation.
 - f. Weapons recovered. 1 Mauser bolt action mag fed
 - g. Wpn identified on action. NO return fire
 - h. VC dress Black pyjamas
 - j. Summary of VC actions. NO return fire and fled WEST
- 9. Own cas. Nil
- 10. En can approach from any direction
- 11. Comments. This ambush waited until the last possible minute for the en to walk into the killing ground. As soon as it was apparent that the en would bypass the killing ground the ptl opened fire.

Comd RJ.DAVIS Coy Comd I. S. FISHER

Interrogation Report.

Name : LE VAN MINH

Age : 21 years

UNIT : 3rd Squad C20 Coy

Prisoner stated that he was a 2nd Class private in the 3rd squad of C20 Coy.

The Coy has 1x 81mm mortar 1x 60mm MORTAR
9x 30 CAL MG.

The Coy consists of 160 personnel who are all local civilians. Their main base is the village of LONG TAN which, according to the prisoner, is, 15 kilometers east of BA RIA.

[actual location is GRID SQUARE 4865]

The Coy had taken all its weapons BINH BA village so at present there are no weapons in that area.

The prisoner, when fired on, was in the company of another member of 3rd squad TRUNG.

The third squad has 13 men. When captured the prisoner stated that he and TRUNG had no particular task and they were just carrying out normal routine.

Interrogators Sgt I. J. WELSH 1RAR
SP/6 J. H. SEYLE RRU.

52, 1/RAR

IPW REPORT

Nr. (So) AB-D-CM-1

Date/Time (Ngay/Gio) 041050 Apr 66
Unit (Don-vi) Intg Team, 1st Inf Div (Fwd)
Interrogator (Tham-van vien)
Map Reference (Xem ban-do) VIETNAM 1: 50,000
XA BINH BA; SHEET 6442 IV

Status (Tinh-dang)
Captive (Tu-binh)
Rallier (Qui-chanh)
Suspect (Tinh-nghi)
Infiltrator (Loai xam-nhap)
Non-Infiltrator (Loai khong xam-nhap)

Name (Ten va ho) LE VAN MINH (3d Sqd, 3d Plt, C 20)

Alias (Bi-danh) None

DOB (Ngay sinh) _____ Age (Tuoi) 21

Day (Ngay) _____ Month (Thang) _____ Year (Nam) _____

POB (Noi Sinh)

Village (Xa) BINH BA Hamlet (Ap) BINH BA 4

District (Quan) DUC HANH Province (Tinh) PHUOC TUY

Profession (Nghe-nghiep) Movie Projector Operator

Parents (Con cua) Living (Song) Dead (Chet)

Father (Cha) LE VAN LOP

Mother (Me) _____

Sources Residence (Tru-quan duong-su)

Village (Xa) DUC MY Hamlet (Ap) DUC MY

District (Quan) DUC HANH Province (Tinh) PHUOC TUY

Education (Hoc-luc)

None (Khong co)
Elementary Sch (Tieu-Hoc)
Junior High Sch (Trung-hoc I)
High School (Trung-hoc II)

Husband or Wife (Nguoi chong hoac vo) None (Khong co)

Name (Ten va ho) HUYNH THI NHA Living (Song) Dead (Chet)

DOB (Ngay sinh) _____ Age (Tuoi) 21

Address (Tru-quan) UNK

Present Location (Hien nay tai) VUNG TAU

Circumstances of Capture/Rally/ Suspect (Truong-hop bi bat/qui-chanh/tinh-nghi)

Source was captured/rallied/suspect (Duong-su bi bat/qui-chanh/tinh-nghi) on (vao ngay) 040710 Apr 66 vic coord (loi toa-do) YS 434715. When captured/rallied/suspect (Luc bi bat duong-su dang) Source was wounded and carrying a rifle.

Capturing Unit (Don vi bat duoc) A Co, RAR

Weapons/Documents seized with source (Luc bi bat duong-su mang cac vo-khi va tai-lieu theo day)

Weapons (Vo-khi) One (1) rifle

Documents (Tai-lieu) None

Information Gained (Tin-tuc duoc biet nhu sao) A. C 20 Company (Duc Hanh District Local Forces Company)

1. Cadre

- CO: HAI (2) CAO
- XO: SAU (6) TRUNG
- PO: (Same as CO)
- 1st Plt (B. 1) Plt Ldr: SONG (?)
Asst Plt Ldr: LANG (?)
- 2d Plt (B. 2) Plt Ldr: HANH (?)
Asst Plt Ldr: CUA (?)
- 3d Plt (B. 3) Plt Ldr: CANH
Asst Plt Ldr: BAY (7) TRI
- 4th Plt (B. 4) Plt Ldr: Unk

- 2. Weapons: BAR (1 per Plt) 1x81mm mtr (4th Plt)
- Red-stock rifle (1 per sqd member) 1x60mm mtr (4th Plt)
- Thompson SMG (sqd cadre/plt cadre) 1xUS 30 cal MG
- B. 40 (1 per sqd)

3. Company strength is approximately 160.

4. Unit History: C 20 LF Co was established in approximately in May 65 from village guerrilla units in DUC HANH Dist. The LF Co of DUC HANH Dist which had previously been with Dist had been taken to join an U/i Main Force Unit (other details unk.).

5. Composition: C 20 Co is composed of 3 inf plts and 1 combat spt plt. All the members of the company are ethnic Vietnamese with the exception of 5 or 6 Montagnards.

HIGHLY DOUBTFUL

6. Unit Activities: On approx 31 Mar 66 Source's squad departed from vic LONG PHUOC (YS 4564) and moved to BINH BA Village (YS 4574) to carry out propaganda activities in BINH BA Village. On 1 Apr 66 the unit returned to LONG PHUOC. Upon its return it was learned that the C 20 had moved to the LONG TAN Area (YS 4966). Source learned that this was because of a US operation in the area. Source's sqd was sent back to BINH BA Village to check on the enemy situation. Early on the morning of 3 Apr 66, while Source's unit was scouting the area, Source attempted to escape and was shot while fleeing by a member of his sqd. On the afternoon of 3 Apr 66 Source observed friendly forces and fired into the air to attract their attention. However, no one came. On 4 Apr 66 Source moved to the road vic YS 434715. Source stated that he was surrendering.

7. Morale of C 20 Co: Source stated that the unit's morale is very low and the unit personnel were afraid to fight.

8. Present Location: Source stated that he heard C 20 was still in the LONG TAN area. Source could provide no definite location.

9. Other Units: While in BINH BA Village, on about 31 Mar, Source heard that a part of Group 45 had crossed the highway and passed through BINH BA Village, moving in NW direction. This group was carrying 42 wounded. (Note: Group 45 is the cover designation of VC 5th Regiment. For possibly D.445 BN)

B. Interrogator's Comments: Source was obviously in pain during the interrogation which was conducted while Source was being operated on. Information needs to be further checked.

SOURCE EVACUATED TO 36th EVAC HOSP. IN VUNG TAU.
ULTIMATE DESTINATION PROBABLY CONG HOA HOSPITAL (ARVN) SAIGON

INTERROGATION REPORT

C2 1/RAR

66-5-917

1. Biographical Data.

- a. Full name: Ninh Van Muoi
- b. Date and place of birth: 1939 Co Tri Village, Yen Mo District, Ninh Binh Province
- c. Home of residence: Bu Nho village, Phuoc Binh District, Phuoc Long Province
- d. Education: Literate
- e. Marital status: Wife-Do Thi Tam, age 25
Mother-Le Thi Vong
Father-Minh Van Liem
- f. Social status: Farmer

2. Circumstances of capture or return to government control.

Source was captured at 0800 hours on 16 April 1966 at YU081946 by Company B, 1/RAR Regiment.

3. Past Activities.

1945-1952 source lived at Bu Nho village, Phuoc Binh District, Phuoc Long Province, and looked after water buffalo.

In 1953 source moved to Minh Thanh Rubber Plantation in An Loc District, Binh Long Province.

In 1958 source moved to Phu Rieng village, Phuoc Binh District, Phuoc Long Province.

In November 1964 source joined the RVN local forces in Phu Rieng village.

In March 1965 source's unit located at Cau Song Be (Song Be River Bridge).

In May 1965 the source fell sick and had to go to the Dong Xoai Hospital for treatment. On the way to the Hospital the source was captured by the VC. The VC took him into the forest. After being released the source lived in Bu Nho village, Phuoc Binh District where the source made his living.

4. Areas of Special Knowledge.

After being released about 15 days, the source saw the VC bringing about 50 soldiers of the 5th Infantry Division (ARVN) that were captured in the Dong Xoai battle. The jailed prisoners were located in a four room building covered with nylon. The source didn't know the location or name of the prison where he was since he was taken there and released at night and was blindfolded.

Source further revealed the guerrilla roster of Bu Nho area as follows:

Village Squad Leader - Mr Chinh Hang

Assistant Squad Leader - Tu Trinh (worked as squad leader also)

Security Official - Hai Phong

Financial & Economics Officer - Tu Liem

Guerrilla Member - Muoi A

Guerrilla Member - Tu Nua

Chairman - Montagnard

Source further stated he was a friend of Policemen Duong and Qui in Phuoc Binh District, Phuoc Long Province. The source's wife notified the two Policemen when a VC unit came in the village. The source heard that Bu Nho village was an active area of 271. From time to time about 10 or 20 VC came in the hamlet for awhile and then retreated, so the source didn't know the strength or what weapons they had.

5. Assessment of source by interrogation/intelligence officers.

The source was one of the ARVN Soldiers when he was captured by the VC. Although he lived in the VC controlled area, he didn't know the information about the VC. However we need to get in touch with the Policemen Quy, and Duong in Phuoc Binh District, Phuoc Long Province to see if the source's story is true.

WINSTON T. HAY
2nd Lt AIS
IPW Section Chief (Acting)

SECRETAnnex A to 1 RAR
Admin O 3/66
Dated 21 Apr 66SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Serial	Date	Event	Action by	Remarks/Reference
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
	<u>Apr</u>	<u>PHASE 1</u>		
1.	20	5 RAR Adv Party due	Adj/Coys	10 offrs 32 ORs. Accn 1RAR
2.	23	Regtl property to QM	Sgt TUDOR	Ref A.
3.	25	Anzac Day Pde	All	Separate Instr issued.
4.	26	Daily Duty Coy work parties to QM.	Duty Coy	Para 4 c (4).
5.	26	RMO lectures commence	Adj/Coys	
6.	28	a. Messes and Band property to QM. b. Pay for Adv Parties	Sub units Messes Adj	Ref A.
7.	by 29	Sub unit stores and soldiers boxes to QM.	Sub units	Ref A.
8.	30	a. Stores and escort for AV MONASH depart. b. Courier departs. c. Bids for excess accompanied baggage to QM.	QM Adj QM Sub units	Para 4 c (2) Ref A.
	<u>May</u>			
9.	1	24 APC Tp rfts arrive	1 APC Tp	Accn APC Tp
10.	5	1 RAR/APC Tp Adv Party departs by air.	Adj QM	Para 4 c (3)
11.	7	Sub unit inventories completed and checked	Sub units QM	Para 4 a (2) (b)
12.	12	HI FI shop closes	Sgt TUDOR	
13.	14	a. Buildings to be dismantled by 14 May. b. Courier departs.	Sub units QM	Para 4 a (3)
		<u>PHASE 2</u>		Para 5.
14.	15-24	a. Op b. Move of APC Tp to new loc. c. Continue dismantling camp and documentation for move. d. Op responsibility to 5 RAR.		
		<u>PHASE 3</u>		
15.	23	6 RAR Admin Adv Party arrives.	Adj Sub units	Accn with corresponding sub units
16.	24-25	Sub unit kit check and replacement as necessary.	QM Sub units	Para 6 b (2)

...../2.

SECRET

	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
17.	25	a. Commence withdrawal of AAB 83 stores and handover to 6 RAR	Sub units QM 6 RAR	Para 6 b (3) - (8) Annex C
		b. Daily Duty Coy work party to QM each day.	Duty Coy	Para 6 d (3)
		c. Transfer of selected 1RAR soldiers to fill 6 RAR appts	Adjt	Para 6 d (1)
		d. Commence inspection and handover of:-		Para 6 b (3)-(8), 7 b. Annex C
		Comms equip	RSO/ALSC Wksp	
		RAEME Det	RAEME	
		Refrigerators/Generators	QM/RAE	
		Special Service items	Sgt TUDOR	
		Int Stores	IO	
		CP Stores	Sgt Clerk	
		RP Stores	RO Sgt	
		Med Stores	RMO/ALSC Wksp	
		Instruments	QM/ALSC Wksp	
		e. Commence handover of sub unit stores not in AAB 83 and of unit stores.	Sub units QM TO Adjt	Para 6 b, 7 b.
		f. Withdrawal of bulk of coy holdings of soldiers boxes		Para 6 b (6) (a)
18.	27	a. Mobile PX Takeover from 1 RAR	Sgt TUDOR	RO 113.
		b. QM Coord conference		Annex C.
19.	28	Courier departs	QM	
20.	30	a. First chalk prepares to move.	Sub unit	Para 6 d.
		b. Handover certificate to CO.	2IC/QM	Para 6 b (4)
		<u>PHASE 4</u>		
21.	31	Convoy of stores by LSM to new loc.	QM and 6 RAR	Engr stores, bulk Q stores.
22.	31	a. First chalk moves	Adjt QM	Para 7 a. Annex D.
		b. Second chalk clears First Chalk Comd chalk area.		Para 7 b.
		c. Rear party sends coy equip table and veh to new loc.		Para 7 b (4).
		d. Courier departs.	QM	
	<u>Jun</u>			
23.	1	Second chalk prepares to move.		
24.	2	a. Second chalk moves.		
		b. Third chalk clears Second chalk area.		
		c. Rear party sends coy equip table and veh to new loc.		
25.	3	Third chalk prepares to move.		

...../3.

	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
26.	4 Jun	a. Third chalk moves. b. Fourth chalk clears Third chalk area. c. Rear party sends Coy equip table and veh to new loc.		
27.	5	Fourth chalk prepares to move.		
28.	6	a. Fourth chalk moves. b. Fifth chalk clears Fourth chalk area. c. Rear party sends Coy equip table and veh to new loc.		
29.	7	Fifth chalk prepares to move.		
30.	8	a. Fifth chalk moves. b. Sixth chalk clears Fifth chalk area. c. Rear party sends Coy equip table and veh to new loc.		
31.	9	Sixth chalk prepares to move.		
32.	10	a. Sixth chalk moves. b. Seventh chalk clears Sixth chalk area. c. Rear party sends Coy equip table and veh to new loc.		
33.	11	Seventh chalk prepares to move.		
34.	12	a. Seventh chalk moves. b. Rear party clears Seventh chalk area. c. Rear party sends Coy equip table and veh to new loc.		
35.	16-18	Rear party moves to 6 RAR loc.	2IC	

1st Battalion
 The Royal Australian Regiment
 BIEN HOA
 12 Apr 66

AIR MOVE DETAILS
AIR LIFT BIEN HOA - SONG BE 13 APR 66

Chalk No	Loading Commences	ac departs	loading details
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
1.	0650	0700	A Coy
2.	0700	0710	A Coy
3.	0710	0720	A Coy
4.	0720	0730	A Coy
5.	0730	0740	Bn HQ Tac/Recce Party/Mors
6.	0740	0750	Mor Pl (10)/B Coy(15)
7.	0750	0800	B Coy
8.	0800	0810	B Coy
9.	0810	0820	B Coy
10.	0820	0830	B Coy
11.	0830	0840	Anti Tank (16) Bn HQ (9)
12.	0840	0850	Aslt Pnr Pl
13.	0850	0900	Bn HQ (-)
14.	0900	0910	Bn HQ (10) C Coy (15)
15.	0910	0920	C Coy
16.	0920	0930	C Coy
17.	0930	0940	C Coy
18.	0940	0950	C Coy (15) D Coy(10)
19.	0950	1000	D Coy
20.	1000	1010	D Coy
21.	1010	1020	D Coy
22.	1020	1030	D Coy (15) 10 spare

NOTE:

1. All ac a re to be loaded with 25 troops (CARIBOU ac).
2. Chalks 1 - 11 leave with first vehicle lift departing 1RAR 0600 hrs.
3. Chalks 12 - 22 leave with second vehicle lift departing 1RAR 0715 hrs.

4. Vehicle loading sequence ^{equates} ~~e.g. votes~~ with air movement.
5. It is expected that timings may advance ahead of schedual. SUEOs must be prep to act according ly.

L E D Cooper 2Lt
Asst S3

Distribution

SUEO A Coy
SUEO B Coy
SUEO C Coy
SUEO D Coy
SUEO Sp Coy
OC A Coy
OC B Coy
OC C Coy
OC D Coy
OC Sp Coy
CO
2IC
TO

CONFIDENTIAL

1/2A2
28
Copy No
Hqs, 1st Bn (Abn), 503d Inf
999145, Camp Ray, Bien Hoa RVN
092230 April 1966

Trag Order 9-66

Reference: Map, Vietnam, Series L701, Sheet No's, 6445 IV, 6446 IV, 6346 II,
6445 IV, 6345 I, 6346 I.

1. SITUATION:

a. Enemy forces: It was reported on 6 April 1966 that the Q271 regiment was located vic GC 2113. Two NVA regiments were reported in the vic of GC 2514 (602 Regiment) and vic GC 2616 (603 Regiment) on 26 March and 10 March 66.

b. Friendly forces:

(1) 173d (-)

(2) 82nd Avn Bn (+) provides airlift capability.

c. Attachments:

(1) Arty FO Tm atch eff 100500 Apr 66.

(2) Engr demo Tm atch eff 100500 Apr 66.

(3) USAF FAC Tm atch eff 100500 Apr 66.

2. MISSION: 1/503 conducts air mobile assault into PHUOC BINH Airfield vic GC 1407 and secures Airfield.

3. EXECUTION:

a. Concept of operation: (Schematic of Airfield) 1/503 conducts airmobile assault into PHUOC BINH Airfield in three(3) lifts beginning at 100700 Apr 66 and secures Airfield.

b. AL/503 departs Bn area 100615 Apr 66. Moves to SNAKE PIT by motor march. Airlifted into Airfield utilizing 1st lift. Co A secures the Airfield from 10 to 2 o'clock.

c. BL/503 departs Bn area 100615 Apr 66. Moves to SNAKE PIT by motor march. Airlifted into Airfield utilizing lifts 1 & 2. Co B secures the Airfield from 2 to 6 o'clock.

d. CL/503 departs Bn area 100700 Apr 66. Moves to SNAKE PIT by motor march. Airlifted into Airfield utilizing 3rd lift. Co C secures the Airfield from 6 to 10 o'clock.

e. HHC provides composite platoon for operation. Composite plat moves with Command Group and is airlifted into Airfield on the 2nd lift. HHC provides DACO at SNAKE PIT.

f. Recon Platoon departs Bn area 100615 Apr 66. Moves to SNAKE PIT by motor march. Airlifts into Airfield on 2nd lift. Recon sets up within perimeter on SE of Airfield.

g. 4.2" Mortar Platoon is airlifted by C-130 to PHUOC BINH on 11 Apr 66.

h. Coordinating Instructions:

(1) CO, HHC, is DACO at SNAKE PIT and responsible for loading C-130's on 11 Apr.

(2) Med Evac procedures per Bn SOP.

(3) Surrender Policy for VC. VC has shirt off, hands over head, and wpn (if any) slung upside down on shoulder.

(4) Rules of engagement - around Airfield, fire when fired upon.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

- (5) Curfew 1900 - 0600 hours.
- (6) Beware of booby traps especially in C Co area.
- (7) Password to be given out each day.
- (8) Air movement table: Annex A
- (9) Points of Origin: Annex B

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS:

- a. Unit deploys with four (4) meals "C" rations.
- b. Unit deploys with two (2) BA 386 batteries per radio.
- c. Resupply on call as required, utilizing FIREFLY code.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL:

a. Signal:

- (1) Current SOI in effect.
- (2) Bn deploys with two (2) 292 Antennas.
- (3) Units enter Bn net 100600 Apr 66.

- b. Command: CO, 1/503, will be in C & C ship during airlift into Airfield.

Acknowledge.

3 Incl

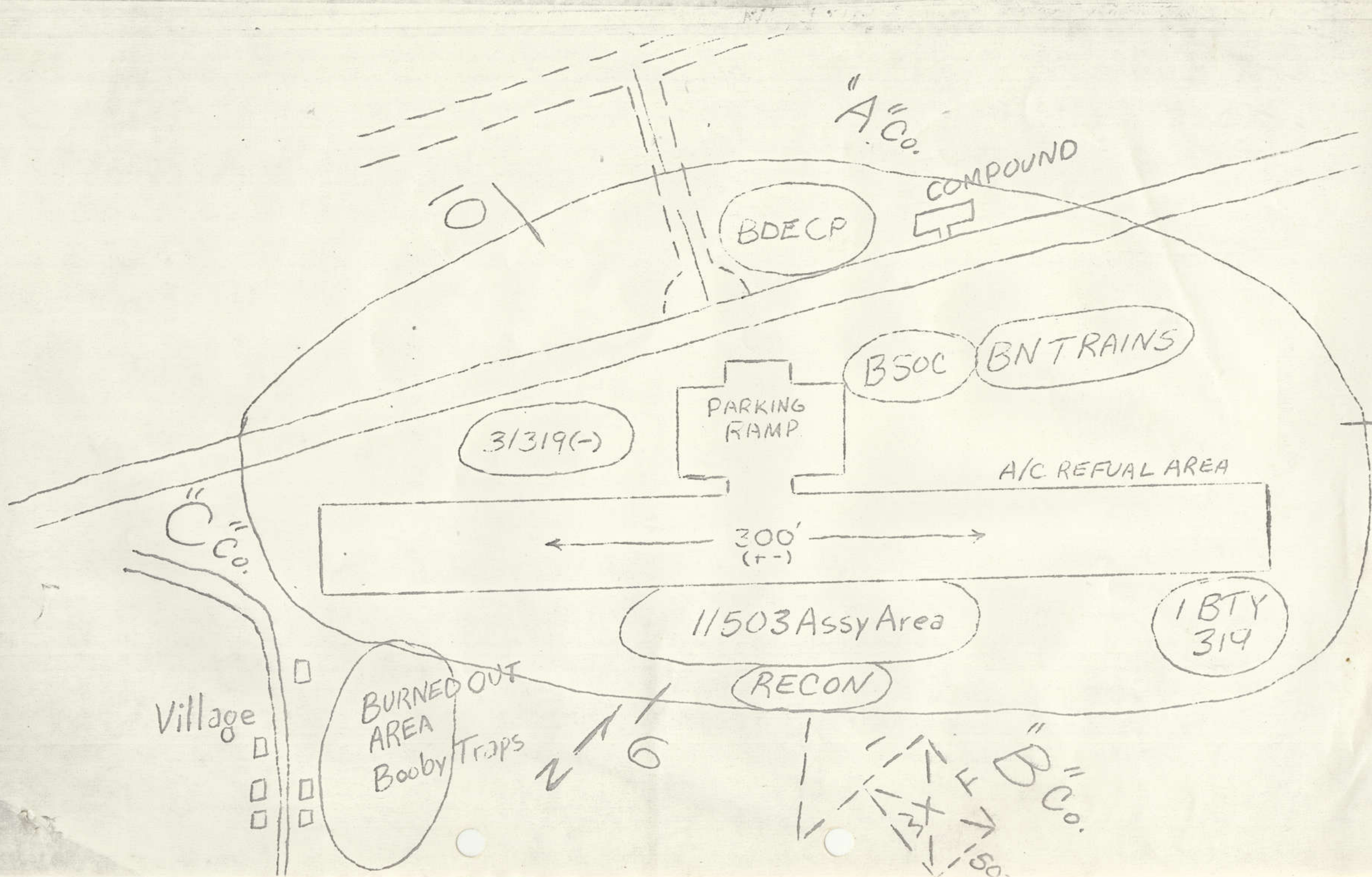
Schematic Overlay
Annex A - Air movement Table
Annex B - Points of Origin
Annex Z - Distribution

TYLER
Lt Col

OFFICIAL:

[Signature]
BICKFORD
S3

CONFIDENTIAL



CONFIDENTIAL

1 to FRAG ORDER 12-66

12
+
06

IOWA

TEXAS

FLORIDA

17
+
05

CONFIDENTIAL

SECRET

Annex 'g' to
AAFV OO No J1
of 20 0300 Z Apr 66

WEAPONS READINESS

1. The following applies to Rifles, OMC and M60.

<u>STAGE</u>	<u>ACTION</u>	<u>WHEN APPLICABLE</u>
ONE	a. Breech empty. Working party forward. b. Safety catch applied. c. Full magazine in pouch.	In operational base and log area
TWO	As for Stage 1 but magazine on weapon	a. Travelling in vehicles when outside operational base or log area. b. Stand to in bases outside operational base.
THREE	a. Round in breech, action cocked. b. Safety catch applied. c. Full magazine on wpn	a. On entering a VC controlled area on foot. b. Vehicle sentries on vehicle outside operational base or log area. c. When ordered by an officer.
FOUR	As for Stage 3 but with safety catch off	a. When action is imminent. b. Leading scouts on patrol c. When ordered by an officer

2.

Notes

- a. All men must clear weapons before entering the operational base.
- b. The M79 or M72 must NOT be carried in the ready to fire condition.

SECRET

SECRET

1st Battalion
The Royal Australian Regiment
Battalion Group
BIEN HOA
21 Apr 66

A778

Admin O 3/66

Reference: A. 1 RAR R571-2-2 dated 7 Apr 66.
B. 1 RAR RO Pt 1 50/66.

1. Situation.

- a. 5 RAR Adv Party attached from 20 Apr until arrival 5 RAR.
- b. New members APC Tp arrive 1 May.
- c. 6 RAR Admin Adv Party attached from 23 May.
- d. 1 RAR to hand over stores to 6 RAR at BIEN HOA. SLR and OMC only to be taken to AUSTRALIA.

2. Mission. To return to AUSTRALIA.3. General. Four overlapping phases:-

- a. Phase 1. Approx 22 Apr to approx 14 May.
 - (1) Movement of hy baggage from 30 Apr.
 - (2) Movement of advance party 5 May.
 - (3) Commence breakdown of base camp.
 - (4) Handover of 1 APC Tp equipment to new Tp Comd.
 - (5) Preparation for op.
- b. Phase 2. Op and return to base camp. A separate order to be issued.
- c. Phase 3. Approx 24 May to 31 May.
 - (1) Continue breakdown of base camp.
 - (2) Handover of equipment to 6 RAR Adv Party.
 - (3) Complete documentation for move.
 - (4) Handover TAOR to 173 Bde approx 28 May.
- d. Phase 4. 31 May to 18 Jun.
 - (1) Move of 1 RAR to AUSTRALIA by air departing 31 May to 12 Jun.
 - (2) Reception in AUSTRALIA.
 - (3) Handover of remaining tps to 6 RAR.
 - (4) Move of equipment to new loc by 6 RAR.
- e. Coord Instrs.
 - (1) Sequence of Events - Annex A.
 - (2) A Administrative Procedures - Annex B.
 - (3) Q Administrative Procedures - Annex C.
 - (4) Order of movement and composition of chalks - Annex D.

4. Phase 1.a. Materiel and Services.

Annex C

- (1) Hy baggage and unit property.
 - (a) See reference A.
 - (b) Escort to accompany move of baggage approx 9 May to VUNG TAU for loading on AV MONASH.
 - (c) Accommodation and rationing of escort by ships crew.

SECRET

-2-

(2) Inspection of Unit Equipment.

- (a) Vehs. TO to arrange direct with OC 1 ALSC Wksp.
- (b) Other stores. Sub units and technical stores holders complete inventories and cross reference holdings with QM by 7 May. See Annex C.
- (c) 1 APC Tp. Handover equipment less essential accommodation stores to new Tp Comd and Crew Comds.

(3) Accommodation. Sub units to dismantle metal huts and stack for movement on pallets 9 ft wide and up to 4 ft high.

- (a) A Coy - Mess hut and Officers Mess.
- (b) B Coy - Mess hut and one canteen hut.
- (c) C Coy - Mess hut and one Red Shield hut.
- (d) D Coy - Mess hut.
- (e) Sp Coy - Mess hut.
- (f) Admin Coy - Mess hut.
- (g) 1 APC Tp - Both huts.

b. Medical. Lecture and medical inspections by FMO. Annex B.

(1) Lectures.

- 26 Apr 0930 hrs A/D Coys.
1100 hrs Admin Coy.
1400 hrs B/C Coys.
- 27 Apr 0930 hrs Bn HQ/Sp Coy.
- 28 Apr 0930 hrs B/C Coys.
1100 hrs A/D Coys.
1400 hrs Admin Coy.
- 29 Apr 0930 hrs Bn HQ/Sp Coy.

(2) Inspections together with a check of IHCs from 30 Apr until 7 May. Each coy is to be allocated one day between those days dependant upon individual coy commitments on patrolling etc.

(3) Blood Tests. These are to be conducted continuously during the period of the Inspections. Blood tests are voluntary.

(4) Paludrine to be issued in bulk by Adjnt to DCOs of Escort and Adv Parties.

c. Personnel.

Annex B.

(1) Selection by Coy Comds/Adjnt of some dvrs and storeman from 1 RAR soldiers to be transferred to 6 RAR.

(2) Sea Escort to be documented and briefed for movement approx 9 May. Escort is:-

OC	Cpl T G SCHMIDT	Pte J T JARRETT
2IC	Pte F S SMITH	Pte P A MILLAR
	Pte J G ZIMA	
	Pte V R MacDONALD	

(3) Advance Party to be documented and briefed. Advance Party to depart on 5 May is:-

OC	Lt I GUILD	Coy Q Reps. B.	Sgt M J KIRBY
1 APC Tp	Cpl N D BEARE		C. Lcpl K W BROWN
Clerk	Cpl E E DREGER		D. Pte R B HICKEY
	Pte L J BASSETT		Sp.Lcpl D E JORDAN
QM Rep	Pte C T SHAY		Admin Pte R MITCHELL
Coy Q Rep.	A.L cpl R I BAIHN		

(4) Duty Coy to provide work party to QM daily from 26 Apr at 0900 hrs of 1 NCO and 6 ORs.

(5) Pay. Final pay for escort aboard MONASH and Adv Party is 28 Apr. Soldiers' paybook adjustments should be made by 29 Apr. Soldiers shall be given facilities for changing money to AUST \$ before departure.

5. Phase 2. Continue dismantling camp as directed by 2IC to include small locally constructed buildings. Movement of APC Tp equipment to new loc.

6. Phase 3.

a. General.

(1) TAOR is to be taken over by 173 AB Bde (Sep) by 28 May.

(2) Weapon pits, underground structures, perimeter wire and covered sullage pits only to be left.

b. Materiel and Services.

(1) Hy baggage.

(a) A small quantity of unit property is to be back-loaded on courier 28 May. This is to be restricted to essential HQ and Q records.

(b) Any remaining unit or individual baggage is to be sent be sea after Jun.

(2) Kit check and replacement of clothing as normal on day following op.

(3) Inspection of unit equipment.

Serial	Equipment	Inspected by	Responsible	Intended Disposal
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
1	Vehs and veh stores	TO/ALSC Wksp/6 RAR	TO	Transfer to 6 RAR
2	RAEME Det equipment	RAEME 1 RAR/6 RAR	Sgt COTTERELL	Transfer to 6 RAR
3	All wpns not to be taken to AUSTRALIA	Sub unit/QM/Sgt COTTERELL	QM	Return Ord.
4	Comms equip	RSO/ALSC Wksp/6 RARRSO		Transfer to 6 RAR
5	Med stores and equip	RMO/6 RAR	RMO	Transfer to 6 RAR
6	Instruments incl binoculars etc	QM/ALSC Wksp	QM	Transfer to 6 RAR
7	Refrigerators and Generators	QM/RAE	QM	Return to Engrs
8	Special svc items	Sgt TUDOR/ 6 RAR	Sgt TUDOR	Transfer to 6 RAR
9	Sp Coy Pls op stores	Pl/CQMS Sp Coy/ 6 RAR	OC Sp Coy	Transfer to 6 RAR
10	Bn HQ and CP Stores	Sgt Clerk/CQMS Sp Coy/6 RAR		
11	Int Office stores	IO/CQMS Sp Coy/ 6 RAR	Adjnt/IO	Transfer to 6 RAR
12	RP Stores	RP Sgt/6 RAR	RSM	Transfer to 6 RAR
13	Tentage	Sub unit Comds/QM	Sub unit Comds	Return to Ord
14	Sub unit stores NOT incl above	Sub unit Comds/ 6 RAR	Sub unit Comds	Transfer to 6 RAR

(4) Handover of equip to 6 RAR

(a) The Q account ledgers and all equipment with exception of tentage is to be handed over to 6 RAR. Actual time of handover after inspection is to be as arranged between account holders/officers responsible and representatives appointed by QM 6 RAR and between the dates 25 - 30 May.

(b) Certificates of handover are to be submitted by both parties to both QMs when ledgers/inventories are checked against actual stores and by 30 May at the latest.

(c) QM to prepare adjustment vouchers and certificate of handover for CO on 30 May.

(5) Withdrawal of equipment from AAB 83.

(a) Only wpns to remain on AAB 83 issue to soldiers returning to AUSTRALIA are SLR and OMC. All other wpns are to be withdrawn, inspected by RAEME and entered in 6 RAR sub unit daybooks and checked against QM distribution card.

(b) QM to provide teams to assist sub unit comds to wdr articles from AAB 83, and with representatives appointed by QM 6 RAR transfer serviceable items to 6 RAR. Soldiers remaining with 6 RAR are to retain equipments on AAB 83 issue after physical check has been made.

(c) Essential sub unit wpns for local defence may be issued to 1 RAR soldiers on 6 RAR sub unit daybooks.

(6) Withdrawal of certain items to central control.

(a) All but 30 metal soldiers' boxes per sub unit str returning to AUSTRALIA to be returned to QM by 25 May, for transport of bulk Q stores. Soldiers remaining with 6 RAR to retain boxes. No soldiers' boxes to be taken to AUSTRALIA.

(b) Radio equipments are to be returned to RSO for inspection and transfer on 25 May. Necessary stations are to be issued after transfer for use in TAOR.

(c) Cameras to be returned to QM by 25 May.

(d) Other stores may be recalled by QM.

(7) Movement of some stores and equipment to 6 RAR new lcc.

(a) Some bulk Q holdings and other stores designated by QM 6 RAR to be moved to new lcc 31 May by 18 May. Estimate six semi tlr loads.

(8) Ammo. Holdings to be reduced to one first line by 30 May. All ammo to be cleared from wpn pits by 30 May and certificates of safety of sub unit areas submitted to CO by sub unit commanders

(9) Dismantling of buildings.

(a) All structures, latrines etc, not essential for last few days are to be dismantled and prepared for movement by 30 May. Accn tents should be left until day of move.

(b) Floor boards to be cut into lengths not greater than **eight** feet wide and not longer than 20 feet.

c. Medical

Annex B

- (1) Completion of blood tests and check of IHCs.
- (2) Issue of paludrine to DCOs of each chalk.

d. Personnel.

- (1) Inter company transfer of soldiers of 1 RAR remaining with 6 RAR selected by Adjt for appointments in 6 RAR as dvrs etc.
- (2) Escort for movement of stores on 31 May to be provided from 1 RAR soldiers to be transferred to 6 RAR.
- (3) Duty Coy to provide work parties of Cpl and 9 ORs to QM daily 25 to 31 May at 0830 hrs.
- (4) Pay.
 - (a) Final pay day is 26 May. Soldiers who have not already altered allotments and wish to do so must submit variations by 28 May.
 - (b) Adjt to make arrangements for changing to Australian currency equivalent of last pay before emplaning for AUSTRALIA.

(5) Composition of Chalks.

Annex D.

(6) Documentation. Adjt and Chalk Comd to supervise documentation of each chalk to include:-

(a) To be carried by DCO:-

AAF F Mob 3 - for complete draft.
Passenger Manifest - 6 copies.
Cargo Manifest - 6 copies.
Customs Declaration Forms for cargo carried.
AAF T51 - Strength return on movement.
Personal documents of each soldier in the draft comprising:-

- i. AAB 83. Record of Service and Q Record.
- ii. AAF B122. Regimental/Company Conduct Sheet.
- iii. AAF A63. Record of Leave and Personal Particulars.
- iv. SCR2 or A240. Service Classification Record card.
- v. AAF I5033. Dental Treatment Card.
- vi. AAF F Med 4.
- vii. AAF F Med 5.
- viii. Undertaking to preserve official secrets.
- ix. Personal Particulars proforma.

(b) To be carried by the individual:-

- WF 5 - Paybook.
- AAF A129 - Identity Card.
- International Health Certificate.
- Passenger Boarding Card.
- Copy of customs declaration made out for unaccompanied baggage.

7. Phase 4. Move from present loc. (Departing SAIGON 1300 hrs)

a. General.

Annex A.

(1) Order of March. (less Adv Parties)

- | | | |
|----------------|---|------------------------------------|
| 31 May Chalk 1 | } | 112 men per chalk. Detail Annex D. |
| 2 Jun Chalk 2 | | |
| 4 Jun Chalk 3 | | |
| 6 Jun Chalk 4 | | |
| 8 Jun Chalk 5 | | |
| 10 Jun Chalk 6 | | |
| 12 Jun Chalk 7 | | |

(2) COMS of sub unit Chalk 1 is to move with Chalk 2 etc.

(3) Move of Stores etc to 6 RAR loc.

- | | |
|--------|--|
| 29 May | Bulk stores (By sea). |
| 31 May | Sub unit equip table and veh - by air. |
| 2 Jun | " " " " " " " " |
| 4 Jun | " " " " " " " " |
| 6 Jun | " " " " " " " " |
| 8 Jun | " " " " " " " " |
| 10 Jun | " " " " " " " " |
| 12 Jun | " " " " " " " " |
- and by sea as necessary.

b. Materiel and Services.

Annex B.

(1) The day prior to move sub unit comds are to ensure locs clear of all stores, bldgs etc not essential for overnight use. Kitchen, latrine and shower shelters to be dismantled but accommodation tents left standing. All sub unit stores and equipment to be loaded or prepared for loadings:-

(a) essential equipment required by sub unit 6 RAR including kitchen and one veh - for air movement - load wts and dimensions to be advised.

(b) other stores and equipment for rd move.

(2) On day of departure sub unit comds are to ensure floor boards, beds etc are removed and stacked for veh mov. Sub unit comd of following chalk is to supervise clean up of departed chalks area.

(3) With the exception of offr/sgts kitchen all kitchens are to close after the evening meal two days before date of move. (Feeding plan issued separately).

(4) Air move of essential 6 RAR sub unit equipment and veh to take place approx mid day on day of move of 1 RAR sub unit.

(5) Rear Party (6 RAR Admin Adv Party and 1 RAR soldiers remaining with 6 RAR) to be accomodated in Bn HQ compound and be fed from Offrs/Sgts Mess kitchen.

c. Medical.

(1) Chalk comds to ensure paludrine is taken twice daily during flight. Further issues to be made by chalk comd in absence of any similar action by OC 1 RAR Aust Component (Maj R C HUTTON).

(2) Med Checks in AUSTRALIA - to be advised.

d. Personnel

(1) Chalk comd to inspect members of chalk prior to departure BIEN HOA.

(2) Duties of DCO contained in Annex C.

Administration and Logistics.

8. Med. After move of RAP, med treatment available at CCS through orderly room.

Command and Signals.

9. CP. CP and orderly room to remain open until move of last chalk. Rear details to take over CP and orderly room prior to move of Chalk 6.

10. Radio. Command net to close as sub units depart. Rear link to SAIGON and to new loc to remain open until departure of Rear Party approx 18 Jun.

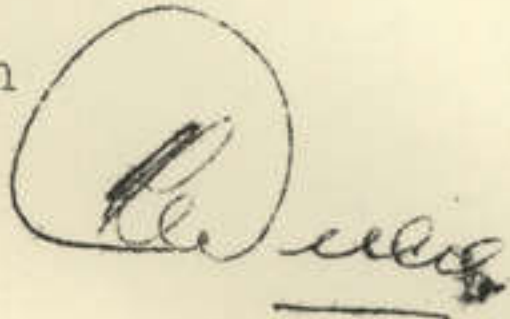
11. Line. RSO to phase out line as sub units depart. Only essential line to remain after departure of Chalk 6.

17. Coordinating conferences.

- a. CO/2IC conference. To be notified.
- b. QM conference. 27 Apr. Annex C.

A V PREECE Lt Col
CO 1 RAR

Authentication



Capt
Adjt

Attachments

Sequence of Exents	Annex A. SECRET
A Administrative Procedures	Annex B. RESTD
Q Administrative Procedures	Annex C. RESTD
Order of Movement and Composition of Chalks	Annex D. (To be issued later) RESTD.

SECRET

<u>Distribution</u>	Copy Nos			
	<u>Admin O</u> (SECRET)	<u>Annex A</u> (SECRET)	<u>Annex B & C</u> (RESTD)	<u>Annex D</u> (RESTD)
A Coy	1	1	1-2	1
B Coy	2	2	3-4	2
C Coy	3	3	5-6	3
D Coy	4	4	7-8	4
Sp Coy	5-9	5-10	9-15	5
Admin Coy	10-14	11-16	16-23	6
1 APC Tp	15	17-18	24-25	7
HQ 173 AB Bde (Sep)	16	19		
HQ AAFV	17-19	20-23		8-10
HQ 1 TF	20	24		11
1 ALSC	21	25	26	12
CO	22	26	27	13
2IC	23	27	28	14
Adjt	24-25	28-30	29-32	15
QM	26	31-32	33-37	16
IO	27	33	38	17
RSM	28	34	39	18
Lt GUILD	29	35	40	19
Lt PORTER	30	36	41	20
Lt COOPER	31	37	42	21
Lt GAUVIN	32	38	43	22
Comds Diary	33-34	39-40	44-45	23-24
File	35	41	46	25
Spare	36-39	42-45	47-50	26-30

SECRET

RESTRICTEDAnnex B to
1 RAR Admin O 3/66
Dated 21 Apr 66A ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

Attached: Dress	Appendix 1
Duties of DCO	Appendix 2
Weapons	Appendix 3.

Appendix 1 to Annex B to
1 RAR Admin O 3/66
Dated 21 Apr 66DRESS

1. The standard of dress of all ranks returning to AUSTRALIA must be of the highest order. A careless or slovenly appearance presented by any person during and on RTA shall not be tolerated. Officers and NCOs of each draft remain responsible for checking the dress of soldiers.
2. The following order of dress is to be worn by all ranks on RTA:-
 - a. Hats Khaki Fur Felt - with puggaree correctly positioned and badge, chin strap and chin strap buckles polished.
 - b. Shirts Mil Green - Sleeves neatly rolled above the elbow.
and
Trousers Mil Green.
 - c. Socks Khaki.
 - d. Boots GP (the new issue boot) highly polished and laced to the top eyelet.
 - e. Black Web Belt - the canvas and brass to be highly polished.
 - f. Brass "AUSTRALIA" shoulder titles are to be worn as per 1 RAR RO Pt 1 50/66.
 - g. Lanyard.
 - h. Badges of rank:-
 - (1) Officers are to wear Insignia Officers Metal on shoulder boards.
 - (2) NCOs are to wear cloth badges of rank neatly sewn on to the shirt sleeve in the correct position as laid down in the Dress Manual.

RESTRICTED

RESTRICTED

Appendix 2 to Annex B to
1 RAR Admin O 3/66
Dated ~~1~~ Apr 66

DUTIES OF OFFERS APPOINTED IN CHARGE OF DRAFTS

1. A DCO or OC Draft is to take action to:-
 - a. check that all soldiers included on the relevant AAFs are present and that they have received all necessary instructions relating to their movement, including times and places of parades, procedure on emplaning and deplaning, stopping places en route and action at them, discipline while travelling, safety with weapons, etc.
 - b. ensure, prior to movement, that he is in possession of all documents as shown in the instruction for all soldiers of the draft.
 - c. take immediate action to return documents in his possession relating to any soldier not present with the draft and secure adjustment of relevant AAF Mob 3, or nominal roll etc before he leaves the control of 1 RAR BIEN HOA.
 - d. report to the Movement Control representative prior to emplaning and deplaning and comply with his directions. If no Movement Control representative is present, he is to comply with the requirements of civilian officials concerned.
 - e. understand his responsibilities, in accordance with instructions, to report particulars of absentees en route and to deliver documents in his possession relating to such absentees on arrival of the draft at SYDNEY or before departing SAIGON.
 - f. show on the reverse side of the AAFs particulars of any occurrence affecting the soldier or soldiers named therein whilst in transit.
 - g. make available to responsible officers at their request all documents and nominal rolls in his possession throughout the journey, whilst appreciating that such documents remain his responsibility until delivered to the representative of the unit to which the draft is moving.
 - h. Issue paludrine as necessary en route in accordance with 1 RAR Administrative Instruction 7/65.
 - j. Ensure that the dress of all troops and their conduct does not bring discredit on the unit or the Army as a whole.

RESTRICTED

RESTRICTED

Appendix 3 to Annex B to
1 RAR Admin O 3/66
Dated 21 Apr 66

WEAPONS

1. Issue weapons for RTA together with captured weapons that the individual desires to take on the Aircraft and have been approved by CO 1 RAR for movement to AUSTRALIA, are to be carried by the individual owner, with slings attached as appropriate.
2. Under NO accounts are magazines to be placed on any weapon. Magazines are to be packed in kitbags or other personal luggage.
3. NO ammunition is to accompany the draft to AUSTRALIA.
4. All ranks are to be reminded as per ROs of the restrictions concerning the importation of souvenir weapons to AUSTRALIA and the correct procedure for gaining permission from Civil Authorities to do so.

RESTRICTED

RESTRICTED

Annex 'C' to 1 RAR
Admin O 3/66 dated 21 Apr 66.

Q ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE

General

1. 1 RAR Store a/c no (N2474), ledgers and supporting documents and stores with the following exceptions are to be transferred to 6 RAR.

- a. Tentage.
- b. Rifles 7.62 and OMC.
- c. Offrs and Sgts Mess property.
- d. Regimental property.
- e. Coy property.
- f. Band Instruments.

2. The above stores shall be disposed of as under:-

- a. Tentage. Progressively dismantled and examined. Unsvc tentage is to be disposed of by Board of Survey. Serviceable tentage is to be returned to Ord det 1 ALSC.
- b. Rifles 7.62 and OMC. Weapons on personal issue, other than Rifles 7.62 and OMC, are to be withdrawn from ORs. Members shall be re-issued with a rifle or OMC for return to AUSTRALIA. Officers are to return to AUSTRALIA unarmed. All other weapons are to be returned to Ord det 1 ALSC by QM.
- c. Officers and Sgts Mess property is to be packed and submitted to QM by 28 Apr 66 for return to AUSTRALIA on AV MONASH.
- d. Regimental Property shall be packed and submitted to QM by 23 Apr 66 for return to AUSTRALIA on courier 30 Apr 66.
- e. Coy Property. Coy property is to be packed and submitted to QM by 23 Apr 66 for return to AUSTRALIA by courier.
- f. Band Instruments.
 - (1) A stocktake of Band sub account is to be conducted by the Bandmaster by 27 Apr 66.
 - (2) Band instruments/accoutrements is to be submitted to QM by 28 Apr 66 for return to AUSTRALIA by RAAF on 30 Apr 66.

Transfer of Bn Stores to 6 RAR.

3. Generally the transfer of stores from 1 RAR to 6 RAR is to be effected following a stocktake at sub unit level conducted by an officer appointed by the sub unit, accompanied by a sub unit Q rep of the Adv Party of 6 RAR.

4. The following stores, are to be centralized and transferred to 6 RAR, as detailed:-

- a. Vehicles and Trailers. Vehicles and trailers are to be inspected by RAEME 1 RAR/1 ALSC under arrangements made by TO. Vehicles and Trailers are to be stocktaken in bulk at the Transport compound at 0800 hrs 26 May 66, and stocksheets, signed by 1 RAR and 6 RAR Transport representatives, are to be handed to QM 1 RAR by 1800 hrs 26 May 66. Thereafter vehicles are to be forwarded to VUNG TAU as directed by 2IC.
- b. Signal Pl Stores.
 - (1) Immediately following the final operation the RSO is to withdraw all radio sets and associated stores to Sig Pl store, arrange RAEME inspection and prepare to handover to 6 RAR.

...../2.

RESTRICTED

RESTRICTED

-2-

(2) Telephones, switchboards etc are to remain in present locations and be checked by the RSO/6 RAR representative on 25 May 66. Signal equipment other than radios is to be handed over by the sub account concerned with the rest of the sub unit stores.

(3) Radio sets are to be transferred to 6 RAR in bulk after inspection. Radios required in 1 RAR for TAOR etc, after this date, are to be drawn from 6 RAR representative on Day book. Such equipment is to be returned within 24 hours.

c. Photographic equipment. All cameras etc are to be returned to Tech Store by CQMS Sp Coy on 25 May 66.

d. Operational stores, Specialist Pls, Sp Coy.

(1) Technical stores requiring RAEME inspections are to be programmed for inspection by QM 1 RAR.

(2) Stocktake and handover of op stores, Sp Coy is to be arranged by the applicable 1 RAR Pl Comd to a Sp Coy 6 RAR representative on dates to be advised.

e. Coy Stores.

(1) Coy stores, with the exception of stores detailed in paras 4 (a) to (d) above and tentage is to be stocktaken and handed over to 6 RAR between 25 and 29 May.

(2) Action to centralise wpn and recondition stores is to commence now.

(3) Unserviceable stores are to be returned to QM by 1 May 66 for disposal action.

(4) Equipments are to be examined and a list of CES deficiencies submitted to QM to enable replenishment to be made. This examination is to be made between 28-30 Apr and lists are to be submitted to QM on 1 May 66.

Tentage.

5. Serviceable tentage is to be returned to ordnance (as components, NOT complete tents) on day of march out of sub unit.

6. Operational tentage (ie 11 x 11 tents, Paulins and waterproof covers) are to be transferred to 6 RAR as stores.

Personal Equipment.

7. Personal equipment (Belt Waist WE and 37 patt pack excepted) are to be withdrawn from all members of 1 RAR and disposed of, prior to return to AUSTRALIA.

8. A simplified method of withdrawal is to be used, at coy level. Mosquito nets are not to be withdrawn until the morning of the day of return to AUSTRALIA of the coy concerned.

9. Controlled stores, on personal issue, are to be withdrawn by QM staff at sub unit level. These stores are to be left in sub unit locations for temporary issue as required.

10. Detailed instructions for the withdrawal of controlled stores from personal issue, and personal equipment, shall be issued later.

...../3.

RESTRICTED

RESTRICTED

-3-

Handover of Sub Unit Stores to 6 RAR

11. Stores for handover are in two categories:-
 - a. Stores on Ledger Charge.
 - b. Stores classified as expendable (in VIETNAM only).
12. Stores in either of the above categories (which exclude items normally expendable in AUSTRALIA, viz, ammo, rats, POL, spare parts, ord and RAASC expense, stationery, medicines and drugs, defence stores and materials) are to be stocktaken and handed over.
13. Handover is to be effected by use of stocksheets/inventories which are to be preprinted and issued by the QM. The stocksheets are to show items in para 11 a and b above separately.
14. Equipment components (CES items) are NOT accountable in VIETNAM. However to present 6 RAR with an indication of deficient components, CES deficiencies are to be listed on attachments to stocksheets.
15. Sub unit stocksheets are to be signed by 1 & 6 RAR representatives and handed to QM as soon as possible but before 30 May after agreement has been reached.

Co-ordination

16. The co-ordination of all hand over of stores is the responsibility of the QM.
17. A conference is to be held in the QM Welfare Hall at 1400 hrs 27 Apr 66.
18. The following are to attend:-
 - OC Sig Pl
 - OC Mor Pl
 - Tpt Offr
 - OC Aslt Pnr Pl
 - OC A tk Pl
 - CQMS
 - Bandmaster
 - RAP S sgt
 - RP Sgt
 - Offrs Mess Sgt
 - Secty Sgts Mess
 - Edn WO
 - Welfare Officer
 - PX Sgt
 - Postal NCO
 - RAEME Sgt
 - Int Sgt
 - Chief Clerk.

RESTRICTED

SPARE

COPY No 36

SECRET

1st Battalion
The Royal Australian Regiment
Battalion Group
BIEN HOA
21 Apr 66

A778

Admin O 3/66

Reference: A. 1 RAR R571-2-2 dated 7 Apr 66.
B. 1 RAR RO Pt 1 50/66.

1. Situation.

- a. 5 RAR Adv Party attached from 20 Apr until arrival 5 RAR.
- b. New members APC Tp arrive 1 May.
- c. 6 RAR Admin Adv Party attached from 23 May.
- d. 1 RAR to hand over stores to 6 RAR at BIEN HOA. SLR and OMC only to be taken to AUSTRALIA.

2. Mission. To return to AUSTRALIA.

3. General. Four overlapping phases:-

a. Phase 1. Approx 22 Apr to approx 14 May.

- (1) Movement of hy baggage from 30 Apr.
- (2) Movement of advance party 5 May.
- (3) Commence breakdown of base camp.
- (4) Handover of 1 APC Tp equipment to new Tp Comd.
- (5) Preparation for op.

b. Phase 2. Op and return to base camp. A separate order to be issued.

c. Phase 3. Approx 24 May to 31 May.

- (1) Continue breakdown of base camp.
- (2) Handover of equipment to 6 RAR Adv Party.
- (3) Complete documentation for move.
- (4) Handover TAOR to 173 Bde approx 28 May.

d. Phase 4. 31 May to 18 Jun.

- (1) Move of 1 RAR to AUSTRALIA by air departing 31 May to 12 Jun.
- (2) Reception in AUSTRALIA.
- (3) Handover of remaining tps to 6 RAR.
- (4) Move of equipment to new loc by 6 RAR.

e. Coord Instrs.

- (1) Sequence of Events - Annex A.
- (2) A Administrative Procedures - Annex B.
- (3) Q Administrative Procedures - Annex C.
- (4) Order of movement and composition of chalks - Annex D.

4. Phase 1.

a. Materiel and Services.

Annex C

(1) Hy baggage and unit property.

(a) See reference A.

(b) Escort to accompany move of baggage approx 9 May to VUNG TAU for loading on AV MONASH.

(c) Accommodation and rationing of escort by ships crew.

(2) Inspection of Unit Equipment.

- (a) Vehs. TO to arrange direct with OC 1 ALSG Wksp.
- (b) Other stores. Sub units and technical stores holders complete inventories and cross reference holdings with QM by 7 May. See Annex C.
- (c) 1 APC Tp. Handover equipment less essential accommodation stores to new Tp Comd and Crew Comds.

(3) Accommodation. Sub units to dismantle metal huts and stack for movement on pallets 9 ft wide and up to 4 ft high.

- (a) A Coy - Mess hut and Officers Mess.
- (b) B Coy - Mess hut and one canteen hut.
- (c) C Coy - Mess hut and one Red Shield hut.
- (d) D Coy - Mess hut.
- (e) Sp Coy - Mess hut.
- (f) Admin Coy - Mess hut.
- (g) 1 APC Tp - Both huts.

b. Medical. Lecture and medical inspections by RMO. Annex B.(1) Lectures.

26 Apr 0930 hrs A/D Coys.
1100 hrs Admin Coy.
1400 hrs B/C Coys.

27 Apr 0930 hrs Bn HQ/Sp Coy.

28 Apr 0930 hrs B/C Coys.
1100 hrs A/D Coys.
1400 hrs Admin Coy.

29 Apr 0930 hrs Bn HQ/Sp Coy.

(2) Inspections together with a check of IHCs from 30 Apr until 7 May. Each coy is to be allocated one day between those days dependant upon individual coy commitments on patrolling etc.

(3) Blood Tests. These are to be conducted continuously during the period of the Inspections. Blood tests are voluntary.

(4) Paludrine to be issued in bulk by Adjnt to DCOs of Escort and Adv Parties.

c. Personnel.

Annex B.

(1) Selection by Coy Comds/Adjnt of some dvrs and storeman from 1 RAR soldiers to be transferred to 6 RAR.

(2) Sea Escort to be documented and briefed for movement approx 9 May. Escort is:-

OC	Cpl T G SCHMIDT	Pte J T JARRETT
2IC	Pte F S SMITH	Pte P A MILLAR
	Pte J G ZIMA	
	Pte V R MacDONALD	

(3) Advance Party to be documented and briefed. Advance Party to depart on 5 May is:-

OC	Lt I GUILD	Coy Q Reps. B.	Sgt M J KIRBY
1 APC Tp	Cpl N D BEARE	C.	Lcpl K W BROWN
Clerk	Cpl E E DREGER	D.	Pte R B HICKEY
	Pte L J BASSETT	Sp.Lcpl	D E JORDAN
QM Rep	Pte C T SHAY	Admin Pte	R MITCHELL
Coy Q Rep.	A.L cpl R I BAIHN		

SECRET

-3-

(4) Duty Coy to provide work party to QM daily from 26 Apr at 0900 hrs of 1 NCO and 6 ORs.

(5) Pay. Final pay for escort aboard MONASH and Adv Party is 28 Apr. Soldiers' paybook adjustments should be made by 29 Apr. Soldiers shall be given facilities for changing money to AUST \$ before departure.

5. Phase 2. Continue dismantling camp as directed by 2IC to include small locally constructed buildings. Movement of APC Tp equipment to new loc.

6. Phase 3.

a. General.

(1) TAOR is to be taken over by 173 AB Bde (Sep) by 28 May.

(2) Weapon pits, underground structures, perimeter wire and covered sullage pits only to be left.

b. Materiel and Services.

(1) Hy baggage.

(a) A small quantity of unit property is to be back-loaded on courier 28 May. This is to be restricted to essential HQ and Q records.

(b) Any remaining unit or individual baggage is to be sent be sea after Jun.

(2) Kit check and replacement of clothing as normal on day following op.

(3) Inspection of unit equipment.

Serial	Equipment	Inspected by	Responsible	Intended Disposal
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
1	Vehs and veh stores	TO/ALSC Wksp/6 RAR	TO	Transfer to 6 RAR
2	RAEME Det equipment	RAEME 1 RAR/6 RAR	Sgt COTTERELL	Transfer to 6 RAR
3	All wpns not to be taken to AUSTRALIA	Sub unit/QM/Sgt COTTERELL	QM	Return Ord.
4	Comms equip	RSO/ALSC Wksp/6 RAR	RSO	Transfer to 6 RAR
5	Med stores and equip	RMO/6 RAR	RMO	Transfer to 6 RAR
6	Instruments incl binoculars etc	QM/ALSC Wksp	QM	Transfer to 6 RAR
7	Refrigerators and Generators	QM/RAE	QM	Return to Engrs
8	Special svc items	Sgt TUDOR/ 6 RAR	Sgt TUDOR	Transfer to 6 RAR
9	Sp Coy Pls op stores	Pl/CQMS Sp Coy/ 6 RAR	OC Sp Coy	Transfer to 6 RAR
10	Bn HQ and CP Stores	Sgt Clerk/CQMS Sp Coy/6 RAR		
11	Int Office stores	IO/CQMS Sp Coy/ 6 RAR	Adjnt/IO	Transfer to 6 RAR
12	RP Stores	RP Sgt/6 RAR	RSM	Transfer to 6 RAR
13	Tentage	Sub unit Comds/QM	Sub unit Comds	Return to Ord
14	Sub unit stores NOT incl above	Sub unit Comds/ 6 RAR	Sub unit Comds	Transfer to 6 RAR

(4) Handover of equip to 6 RAR

(a) The Q account ledgers and all equipment with exception of tentage is to be handed over to 6 RAR. Actual time of handover after inspection is to be as arranged between account holders/officers responsible and representatives appointed by QM 6 RAR and between the dates 25 - 30 May.

(b) Certificates of handover are to be submitted by both parties to both QMs when ledgers/inventories are checked against actual stores and by 30 May at the latest.

(c) QM to prepare adjustment vouchers and certificate of handover for CO on 30 May.

(5) Withdrawal of equipment from AAB 83.

(a) Only wpns to remain on AAB 83 issue to soldiers returning to AUSTRALIA are SLR and OMC. All other wpns are to be withdrawn, inspected by RAEME and entered in 6 RAR sub unit daybooks and checked against QM distribution card.

(b) QM to provide teams to assist sub unit comds to wdr articles from AAB 83, and with representatives appointed by QM 6 RAR transfer serviceable items to 6 RAR. Soldiers remaining with 6 RAR are to retain equipments on AAB 83 issue after physical check has been made.

(c) Essential sub unit wpns for local defence may be issued to 1 RAR soldiers on 6 RAR sub unit daybooks.

(6) Withdrawal of certain items to central control.

(a) All but 30 metal soldiers' boxes per sub unit str returning to AUSTRALIA to be returned to QM by 25 May, for transport of bulk Q stores. Soldiers remaining with 6 RAR to retain boxes. No soldiers' boxes to be taken to AUSTRALIA.

(b) Radio equipments are to be returned to RSO for inspection and transfer on 25 May. Necessary stations are to be issued after transfer for use in TAOR.

(c) Cameras to be returned to QM by 25 May.

(d) Other stores may be recalled by QM.

(7) Movement of some stores and equipment to 6 RAR new lcc.

(a) Some bulk Q holdings and other stores designated by QM 6 RAR to be moved to new lcc 31 May by 18 May. Estimate six semi tlr loads.

(8) Ammo. Holdings to be reduced to one first line by 30 May. All ammo to be cleared from wpn pits by 30 May and certificates of safety of sub unit areas submitted to CO by sub unit commanders

(9) Dismantling of buildings.

(a) All structures, latrines etc, not essential for last few days are to be dismantled and prepared for movement by 30 May. Accn tents should be left until day of move.

(b) Floor boards to be cut into lengths not greater than **eight** feet wide and not longer than 20 feet.

c. Medical

Annex B

- (1) Completion of blood tests and check of IHCs.
- (2) Issue of paludrine to DCOs of each chalk.

d. Personnel.

- (1) Inter company transfer of soldiers of 1 RAR remaining with 6 RAR selected by Adjt for appointments in 6 RAR as dvr's etc.
- (2) Escort for movement of stores on 31 May to be provided from 1 RAR soldiers to be transferred to 6 RAR.
- (3) Duty Coy to provide work parties of Cpl and 9 ORs to QM daily 25 to 31 May at 0830 hrs.
- (4) Pay.
 - (a) Final pay day is 26 May. Soldiers who have not already altered allotments and wish to do so must submit variations by 28 May.
 - (b) Adj't to make arrangements for changing to Australian currency equivalent of last pay before emplaning for AUSTRALIA.

(5) Composition of Chalks.

Annex D.

(6) Documentation. Adj't and Chalk Comd to supervise documentation of each chalk to include:-

(a) To be carried by DCO:-

AAF F Mob 3 - for complete draft.
Passenger Manifest - 6 copies.
Cargo Manifest - 6 copies.
Customs Declaration Forms for cargo carried.
AAF T51 - Strength return on movement.
Personal documents of each soldier in the draft comprising:-

- i. AAB 83. Record of Service and Q Record.
- ii. AAF B122. Regimental/Company Conduct Sheet.
- iii. AAF A63. Record of Leave and Personal Particulars.
- iv. SCR2 or A240. Service Classification Record card.
- v. AAF I5033. Dental Treatment Card.
- vi. AAF F Med 4.
- vii. AAF F Med 5.
- viii. Undertaking to preserve official secrets.
- ix. Personal Particulars proforma.

(b) To be carried by the individual:-

- WF 5 - Paybook.
- AAF A129 - Identity Card.
- International Health Certificate.
- Passenger Boarding Card.
- Copy of customs declaration made out for unaccompanied baggage.

7. Phase 4. Move from present loc. (Departing SAIGON 1300 hrs)

a. General.

Annex A.

(1) Order of March. (less Adv Parties)

- | | | |
|----------------|---|------------------------------------|
| 31 May Chalk 1 | } | 112 men per chalk. Detail Annex D. |
| 2 Jun Chalk 2 | | |
| 4 Jun Chalk 3 | | |
| 6 Jun Chalk 4 | | |
| 8 Jun Chalk 5 | | |
| 10 Jun Chalk 6 | | |
| 12 Jun Chalk 7 | | |

(2) CQMS of sub unit Chalk 1 is to move with Chalk 2 etc.

(3) Move of Stores etc to 6 RAR loc.

- | | |
|--------|--|
| 29 May | Bulk stores (By sea). |
| 31 May | Sub unit equip table and veh - by air. |
| 2 Jun | " " " " " " " " |
| 4 Jun | " " " " " " " " |
| 6 Jun | " " " " " " " " |
| 8 Jun | " " " " " " " " |
| 10 Jun | " " " " " " " " |
| 12 Jun | " " " " " " " " |
- and by sea as necessary.

b. Materiel and Services.

Annex B.

(1) The day prior to move sub unit comds are to ensure locs clear of all stores, bldgs etc not essential for overnight use. Kitchen, latrine and shower shelters to be dismantled but accommodation tents left standing. All sub unit stores and equipment to be loaded or prepared for loading:-

(a) essential equipment required by sub unit 6 RAR including kitchen and one veh - for air movement - load wts and dimensions to be advised.

(b) other stores and equipment for rd move.

(2) On day of departure sub unit comds are to ensure floor boards, beds etc are removed and stacked for veh mov. Sub unit comd of following chalk is to supervise clean up of departed chalks area.

(3) With the exception of offr/sgts kitchen all kitchens are to close after the evening meal two days before date of move. (Feeding plan issued separately).

(4) Air move of essential 6 RAR sub unit equipment and veh to take place approx mid day on day of move of 1 RAR sub unit.

(5) Rear Party (6 RAR Admin Adv Party and 1 RAR soldiers remaining with 6 RAR) to be accomodated in Bn HQ compound and be fed from Offrs/Sgts Mess kitchen.

...../7.

SECRET

-7-

c. Medical.

(1) Chalk comds to ensure paludrine is taken twice daily during flight. Further issues to be made by chalk comd in absence of any similar action by OC 1 RAR Aust Component (Maj R C HUTTON).

(2) Med Checks in AUSTRALIA - to be advised.

d. Personnel

(1) Chalk comd to inspect members of chalk prior to departure BIEN HOA.

(2) Duties of DCO contained in Annex C.

Administration and Logistics.

8. Med. After move of RAP, med treatment available at CCS through orderly room.

Command and Signals.

9. CP. CP and orderly room to remain open until move of last chalk. Rear details to take over CP and orderly room prior to move of Chalk 6.

10. Radio. Command net to close as sub units depart. Rear link to SAIGON and to new loc to remain open until departure of Rear Party approx 18 Jun.

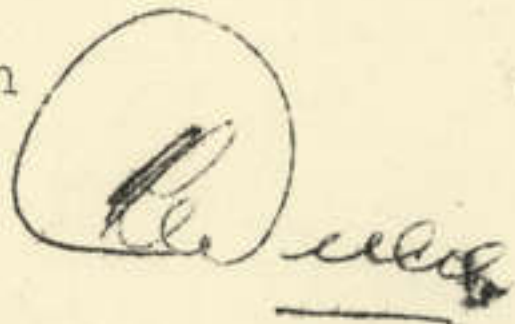
11. Line. RSO to phase out line as sub units depart. Only essential line to remain after departure of Chalk 6.

17. Coordinating conferences.

- a. CO/2IC conference. To be notified.
- b. QM conference. 27 Apr. Annex C.

A V PREECE Lt Col
CO 1 RAR

Authentication



Capt
Adjt

Attachments

Sequence of Exents	Annex A. SECRET
A Administrative Procedures	Annex B. RESTD
Q Administrative Procedures	Annex C. RESTD
Order of Movement and Composition of Chalks	Annex D. (To be issued later) RESTD.

SECRET

SECRET

<u>Distribution</u>	Copy Nos			
	<u>Admin O</u> (SECRET)	<u>Annex A</u> (SECRET)	<u>Annex B & C</u> (RESTD)	<u>Annex D</u> (RESTD)
A Coy	1	1	1-2	1
B Coy	2	2	3-4	2
C Coy	3	3	5-6	3
D Coy	4	4	7-8	4
Sp Coy	5-9	5-10	9-15	5
Admin Coy	10-14	11-16	16-23	6
1 APC Tp	15	17-18	24-25	7
HQ 173 AB Bde (Sep)	16	19		
HQ AAFV	17-19	20-23		8-10
HQ 1 TF	20	24		11
1 ALSC	21	25	26	12
CO	22	26	27	13
2IC	23	27	28	14
Adjt	24-25	28-30	29-32	15
QM	26	31-32	33-37	16
IO	27	33	38	17
RSM	28	34	39	18
Lt GUILD	29	35	40	19
Lt PORTER	30	36	41	20
Lt COOPER	31	37	42	21
Lt GAUVIN	32	38	43	22
Comds Diary	33-34	39-40	44-45	23-24
File	35	41	46	25
Spare	36-39	42-45	47-50	26-30

SECRET

SECRET

Annex A to 1 RAR
Admin O 3/66
Dated 21 Apr 66

SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Serial	Date	Event	Action by	Remarks/Reference
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
	<u>Apr</u>	<u>PHASE 1</u>		
1.	20	5 RAR Adv Party due	Adjt/Coys	10 offr 32 ORs. Accn 1RAR
2.	23	Regtl property to QM	Sgt TUDOR	Ref A.
3.	25	Anzac Day Pde	All	Separate Instr issued.
4.	26	Daily Duty Coy work parties to QM.	Duty Coy	Para 4 c (4).
5.	26	RMO lectures commence	Adjt/Coys	
6.	28	a. Messes and Band property to QM. b. Pay for Adv Parties	Sub units Messes Adjt	Ref A.
7.	by 29	Sub unit stores and soldiers boxes to QM.	Sub units	Ref A.
8.	30	a. Stores and escort for AV MONASH depart. b. Courier departs. c. Bids for excess accompanied baggage to QM.	QM Adjt QM Sub units	Para 4 c (2) Ref A.
	<u>May</u>			
9.	1	24 APC Tp rfts arrive	1 APC Tp	Accn APC Tp
10.	5	1 RAR/APC Tp Adv Party departs by air.	Adjt QM	Para 4 c (3)
11.	7	Sub unit inventories completed and checked	Sub units QM	Para 4 a (2) (b)
12.	12	HI FI shop closes	Sgt TUDOR	
13.	14	a. Buildings to be dismantled by 14 May. b. Courier departs.	Sub units QM	Para 4 a (3)
		<u>PHASE 2</u>		Para 5.
14.	15-24	a. Op b. Move of APC Tp to new loc. c. Continue dismantling camp and documentation for move. d. Op responsibility to 5 RAR.		
		<u>PHASE 3</u>		
15.	23	6 RAR Admin Adv Party arrives.	Adjt Sub units	Accn with corresponding sub units
16.	24-25	Sub unit kit check and replacement as necessary.	QM Sub units	Para 6 b (2)

...../2.

SECRET

	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
17.	25	a. Commence withdrawal of AAB 83 stores and handover to 6 RAR	Sub units QM 6 RAR	Para 6 b (3) - (8) Annex C
		b. Daily Duty Coy work party to QM each day.	Duty Coy	Para 6 d (3)
		c. Transfer of selected 1RAR soldiers to fill 6 RAR appts	Adjt	Para 6 d (1)
		d. Commence inspection and handover of:-		Para 6 b (3)-(8), 7 b. Annex C
		Comms equip	RSO/ALSC Wksp	
		RAEME Det	RAEME	
		Refrigerators/Generators	QM/RAE	
		Special Service items	Sgt TUDOR	
		Int Stores	IO	
		CP Stores	Sgt Clerk	
		RP Stores	RO Sgt	
		Med Stores	RMO/ALSC Wksp	
		Instruments	QM/ALSC Wksp	
		e. Commence handover of sub unit stores not in AAB 83 and of unit stores.	Sub units QM TO Adjt	Para 6 b, 7 b.
		f. Withdrawal of bulk of coy holdings of soldiers boxes		Para 6 b (6) (a)
18.	27	a. Mobile PX Takeover from 1 RAR	Sgt TUDOR	RO 113.
		b. QM Coord conference		Annex C.
19.	28	Courier departs	QM	
20.	30	a. First chalk prepares to move.	Sub unit	Para 6 d.
		b. Handover certificate to CO.	2IC/QM	Para 6 b (4)
		<u>PHASE 4</u>		
21.	31	Convoy of stores by LSM to new loc.	QM and 6 RAR	Engr stores, bulk Q stores.
22.	31	a. First chalk moves	Adjt QM	Para 7 a. Annex D.
		b. Second chalk clears First Chalk Comd chalk area.		Para 7 b.
		c. Rear party sends coy equip table and veh to new loc.		Para 7 b (4).
		d. Courier departs.	QM	
	<u>Jun</u>			
23.	1	Second chalk prepares to move.		
24.	2	a. Second chalk moves.		
		b. Third chalk clears Second chalk area.		
		c. Rear party sends coy equip table and veh to new loc.		
25.	3	Third chalk prepares to move.		

...../3.

	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
26.	4 Jun	a. Third chalk moves. b. Fourth chalk clears Third chalk area. c. Rear party sends Coy equip table and veh to new loc.		
27.	5	Fourth chalk prepares to move.		
28.	6	a. Fourth chalk moves. b. Fifth chalk clears Fourth chalk area. c. Rear party sends Coy equip table and veh to new loc.		
29.	7	Fifth chalk prepares to move.		
30.	8	a. Fifth chalk moves. b. Sixth chalk clears Fifth chalk area. c. Rear party sends Coy equip table and veh to new loc.		
31.	9	Sixth chalk prepares to move.		
32.	10	a. Sixth chalk moves. b. Seventh chalk clears Sixth chalk area. c. Rear party sends Coy equip table and veh to new loc.		
33.	11	Seventh chalk prepares to move.		
34.	12	a. Seventh chalk moves. b. Rear party clears Seventh chalk area. c. Rear party sends Coy equip table and veh to new loc.		
35.	16-18	Rear party moves to 6 RAR loc.	2IC	

RESTRICTED

Annex B to
1 RAR Admin O 3/66
Dated 21 Apr 66

A ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

Attached: Dress Appendix 1
Duties of DCO Appendix 2
Weapons Appendix 3.

Appendix 1 to Annex B to
1 RAR Admin O 3/66
Dated 21 Apr 66

DRESS

1. The standard of dress of all ranks returning to AUSTRALIA must be of the highest order. A careless or slovenly appearance presented by any person during and on RFA shall not be tolerated. Officers and NCOs of each draft remain responsible for checking the dress of soldiers.

2. The following order of dress is to be worn by all ranks on RFA:-

- a. Hats Khaki Fur Felt - with puggaree correctly positioned and badge, chin strap and chin strap buckles polished.
- b. Shirts Mil Green - Sleeves neatly rolled above the elbow.
and
Trousers Mil Green.
- c. Socks Khaki.
- d. Boots GP (the new issue boot) highly polished and laced to the top eyelet.
- e. Black Web Belt - the canvas and brass to be highly polished.
- f. Brass "AUSTRALIA" shoulder titles are to be worn as per 1 RAR RO Pt 1 50/66.
- g. Lanyard.
- h. Badges of rank:-
 - (1) Officers are to wear Insignia Officers Metal on shoulder boards.
 - (2) NCOs are to wear cloth badges of rank neatly sewn on to the shirt sleeve in the correct position as laid down in the Dress Manual.

RESTRICTED

RESTRICTED

Appendix 2 to Annex B to
1 RAR Admin O 3/66
Dated ~~1~~ Apr 66

DUTIES OF OFFERS APPOINTED IN CHARGE OF DRAFTS

1. A DCO or OC Draft is to take action to:-
 - a. check that all soldiers included on the relevant AAFs are present and that they have received all necessary instructions relating to their movement, including times and places of parades, procedure on emplaning and deplaning, stopping places en route and action at them, discipline while travelling, safety with weapons, etc.
 - b. ensure, prior to movement, that he is in possession of all documents as shown in the instruction for all soldiers of the draft.
 - c. take immediate action to return documents in his possession relating to any soldier not present with the draft and secure adjustment of relevant AAF Mob 3, or nominal roll etc before he leaves the control of 1 RAR BIEN HOA.
 - d. report to the Movement Control representative prior to emplaning and deplaning and comply with his directions. If no Movement Control representative is present, he is to comply with the requirements of civilian officials concerned.
 - e. understand his responsibilities, in accordance with instructions, to report particulars of absentees en route and to deliver documents in his possession relating to such absentees on arrival of the draft at SYDNEY or before departing SAIGON.
 - f. show on the reverse side of the AAFs particulars of any occurrence affecting the soldier or soldiers named therein whilst in transit.
 - g. make available to responsible officers at their request all documents and nominal rolls in his possession throughout the journey, whilst appreciating that such documents remain his responsibility until delivered to the representative of the unit to which the draft is moving.
 - h. Issue paludrine as necessary en route in accordance with 1 RAR Administrative Instruction 7/65.
 - j. Ensure that the dress of all troops and their conduct does not bring discredit on the unit or the Army as a whole.

RESTRICTED

RESTRICTED

Appendix 3 to Annex B to
1 RAR Admin O 3/66
Dated 21 Apr 66

WEAPONS

1. Issue weapons for RFA together with captured weapons that the individual desires to take on the Aircraft and have been approved by CO 1 RAR for movement to AUSTRALIA, are to be carried by the individual owner, with slings attached as appropriate.
2. Under NO accounts are magazines to be placed on any weapon. Magazines are to be packed in kitbags or other personal luggage.
3. NO ammunition is to accompany the draft to AUSTRALIA.
4. All ranks are to be reminded as per ROs of the restrictions concerning the importation of souvenir weapons to AUSTRALIA and the correct procedure for gaining permission from Civil Authorities to do so.

RESTRICTED

RESTRICTED

Annec 'C' to 1 RAR
Admin O 3/66 dated 21 Apr 66.

Q ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE

General

1. 1 RAR Store a/c no (N2474), ledgers and supporting documents and stores with the following exceptions are to be transferred to 6 RAR.

- a. Tentage.
- b. Rifles 7.62 and OMC.
- c. Officers and Sgts Mess property.
- d. Regimental property.
- e. Coy property.
- f. Band Instruments.

2. The above stores shall be disposed of as under:-

- a. Tentage. Progressively dismantled and examined. Unsvc tentage is to be disposed of by Board of Survey. Serviceable tentage is to be returned to Ord det 1 ALSC.
- b. Rifles 7.62 and OMC. Weapons on personal issue, other than Rifles 7.62 and OMC, are to be withdrawn from ORs. Members shall be re-issued with a rifle or OMC for return to AUSTRALIA. Officers are to return to AUSTRALIA unarmed. All other weapons are to be returned to Ord det 1 ALSC by QM.
- c. Officers and Sgts Mess property is to be packed and submitted to QM by 28 Apr 66 for return to AUSTRALIA on AV MONASH.
- d. Regimental Property shall be packed and submitted to QM by 23 Apr 66 for return to AUSTRALIA on courier 30 Apr 66.
- e. Coy Property. Coy property is to be packed and submitted to QM by 23 Apr 66 for return to AUSTRALIA by courier.
- f. Band Instruments.

(1) A stocktake of Band sub account is to be conducted by the Bandmaster by 27 Apr 66.

(2) Band instruments/accoutrements is to be submitted to QM by 28 Apr 66 for return to AUSTRALIA by RAAF on 30 Apr 66.

Transfer of Bn Stores to 6 RAR.

3. Generally the transfer of stores from 1 RAR to 6 RAR is to be effected following a stocktake at sub unit level conducted by an officer appointed by the sub unit, accompanied by a sub unit Q rep of the Adv Party of 6 RAR.

4. The following stores, are to be centralized and transferred to 6 RAR, as detailed:-

a. Vehicles and Trailers. Vehicles and trailers are to be inspected by RAEME 1 RAR/1 ALSC under arrangements made by TO. Vehicles and Trailers are to be stocktaken in bulk at the Transport compound at 0800 hrs 26 May 66, and stocksheets, signed by 1 RAR and 6 RAR Transport representatives, are to be handed to QM 1 RAR by 1800 hrs 26 May 66. Thereafter vehicles are to be forwarded to VUNG TAU as directed by 2IC.

b. Signal Pl Stores.

(1) Immediately following the final operation the RSO is to withdraw all radio sets and associated stores to Sig Pl store, arrange RAEME inspection and prepare to handover to 6 RAR.

...../2.

RESTRICTED

RESTRICTED

-2-

(2) Telephones, switchboards etc are to remain in present locations and be checked by the RSO/6 RAR representative on 25 May 66. Signal equipment other than radios is to be handed over by the sub account concerned with the rest of the sub unit stores.

(3) Radio sets are to be transferred to 6 RAR in bulk after inspection. Radios required in 1 RAR for TAOR etc, after this date, are to be drawn from 6 RAR representative on Day book. Such equipment is to be returned within 24 hours.

c. Photographic equipment. All cameras etc are to be returned to Tech Store by CQMS Sp Coy on 25 May 66.

d. Operational stores, Specialist Pls, Sp Coy.

(1) Technical stores requiring RAEME inspections are to be programmed for inspection by QM 1 RAR.

(2) Stocktake and handover of op stores, Sp Coy is to be arranged by the applicable 1 RAR Pl Comd to a Sp Coy 6 RAR representative on dates to be advised.

e. Coy Stores.

(1) Coy stores, with the exception of stores detailed in paras 4 (a) to (d) above and tentage is to be stocktaken and handed over to 6 RAR between 25 and 29 May.

(2) Action to centralise wpn and recondition stores is to commence now.

(3) Unserviceable stores are to be returned to QM by 1 May 66 for disposal action.

(4) Equipments are to be examined and a list of CES deficiencies submitted to QM to enable replenishment to be made. This examination is to be made between 28-30 Apr and lists are to be submitted to QM on 1 May 66.

Tentage.

5. Serviceable tentage is to be returned to ordnance (as components, NOT complete tents) on day of march out of sub unit.

6. Operational tentage (ie 11 x 11 tents, Paulins and waterproof covers) are to be transferred to 6 RAR as stores.

Personal Equipment.

7. Personal equipment (Belt Waist WE and 37 patt pack excepted) are to be withdrawn from all members of 1 RAR and disposed of, prior to return to AUSTRALIA.

8. A simplified method of withdrawal is to be used, at coy level. Mosquito nets are not to be withdrawn until the morning of the day of return to AUSTRALIA of the coy concerned.

9. Controlled stores, on personal issue, are to be withdrawn by QM staff at sub unit level. These stores are to be left in sub unit locations for temporary issue as required.

10. Detailed instructions for the withdrawal of controlled stores from personal issue, and personal equipment, shall be issued later.

...../3.

RESTRICTED

Handover of Sub Unit Stores to 6 RAR

11. Stores for handover are in two categories:-
- a. Stores on Ledger Charge.
 - b. Stores classified as expendable (in VIETNAM only).
12. Stores in either of the above categories (which exclude items normally expendable in AUSTRALIA, viz, ammo, rats, POL, spare parts, ord and RAASC expense, stationery, medicines and drugs, defence stores and materials) are to be stocktaken and handed over.
13. Handover is to be effected by use of stocksheets/inventories which are to be preprinted and issued by the QM. The stocksheets are to show items in para 11 a and b above separately.
14. Equipment components (CES items) are NOT accountable in VIETNAM. However to present 6 RAR with an indication of deficient components, CES deficiencies are to be listed on attachments to stocksheets.
15. Sub unit stocksheets are to be signed by 1 & 6 RAR representatives and handed to QM as soon as possible but before 30 May after agreement has been reached.

Co-ordination

16. The co-ordination of all hand over of stores is the responsibility of the QM.
17. A conference is to be held in the QM Welfare Hall at 1400 hrs 27 Apr 66.
18. The following are to attend:-
- OC Sig Pl
 - OC Mor Pl
 - Tpt Offr
 - OC Aslt Enr Pl
 - OC A tk Pl
 - CQMS
 - Bandmaster
 - RAP S sgt
 - RP Sgt
 - Offrs Mess Sgt
 - Secty Sgts Mess
 - Edn WO
 - Welfare Officer
 - PX Sgt
 - Postal NCO
 - RAEME Sgt
 - Int Sgt
 - Chief Clerk.

Precedence Action
ROUTINE

Apr 66
Date-Time-Group
27 0430 Z

FROM: 1 RAR

TO: A Coy B Coy C Coy D Coy Sp Coy Admin Coy
1 APC Tp HQ 173 AB Bde (Sep) HQ AAFV
HQ 1 TF 1 ALSC

Security Classification
SECRET
Originator's Number
A877

INFO: CO 2IC Adjt QM IO RSM Lt GUILD
Lt PORTER Lt COOPER Lt GAUVIN 5 RAR 6 RAR
Comds Diary

our A778 dated 21 Apr (.) amendments (.) para 3 c first line CMM alter 31 May to read 29 May (.) para 3 d first line CMM alter 31 May to read 29 May (.) para 3 d (1) alter dates to read 29 May to 10 Jun (.) para 4 c (2) alter Pte F S SMITH to read L cpl D E JORDAN (.) para 4 c (3) alter L cpl JORDAN to read Pte E R PATTERSON (.) para 6 b (7) alter 18 May to read LSM (.) para 6 b (8) alter dates to read 29 May (.) para 7 a (1) alter dates to read 29 CMM 31 May CMM 2 CMM 4 CMM 6 CMM 8 and 10 Jun (.) para 7 a (3) alter dates to read 29 CMM 29 CMM 31 May CMM 2 CMM 4 CMM 6 CMM 8 and 10 Jun (.) annex A serial 19 insert Bn pde 0830 hrs (.) annex A serial 20 date to read 29 May CMM add new date 30 May against Handover certificate to CO (.) annex A serials 21 and 22 dates to read 29 May 66 delete Jun (.) annex A serial 23 to read 30 May (.) annex A serial 24 to read 31 May (.) annex A serials 25 to 34 alter dates to read Jun 1 CMM 2 CMM 3 CMM 4 CMM 5 CMM 6 CMM 7 CMM 8 CMM 9 and 10



Maj

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

1st Battalion
The Royal Australian Regiment
Battalion Group
BIEN HOA

R534/1/2

24 Apr 66

PARADE AND CHURCH SERVICE - BIEN HOA
ANZAC DAY 1966

General.

1. A parade and church service is to be held on the Battalion Parade Ground 1 RAR at BIEN HOA, on Monday 25 April 1966 to commemorate the Fifty First Anniversary of the landing at GALLIPOLI.
2. AUSTRALIAN units at BIEN HOA together with 161 Fd Bty RNZA will be represented on the parade.
3. The Prime Minister of AUSTRALIA the Right Honourable Harold HOLT MP will be present for the parade and give a short address.

Concept of the Parade.

4. The parade is to commence by the Coys and sub units of the 1RAR Battalion Group marching onto the 1RAR Battalion Parade Ground and taking up positions as shown in Annex C.
5. When the troops are positioned the Prime Minister and his Official Party will move on the NORTHERN Edge of the parade ground and be met by CO 1RAR and the CG 173d Abn Bde (Sep). Compliments will be paid by the Parade Commander only.
6. The ANZAC Day Church Service will then commence as per the programme previously issued.
7. On the completion of the Church Service the Official Guests will depart and the officers on the parade will march off to the RIGHT Flank of the Parade Ground.
8. Once the officers are clear of the parade ground the coys and sub units of 1RAR Battalion Group with 161 Fd Bty RNZA and 1ALSC independantly march off to their respective areas or transport, whichever is applicable, via the Battalion Car Park.

Troops Taking Part.

9. Troops taking part in the parade are to be the 1RAR Battalion Group, 161 Fd Bty RNZA, 1ALSC and 5RAR Advance Party. Details as to numbers of troops to take part are shown in Annex A.

Assembly Area.

10. The Assembly Areas are:-
 - a. The 1RAR Battalion Car Park; and
 - b. The A and D Coy road.

These areas and individual unit Assembly Areas are shown in Annex B.

Order Of March onto Parade and Formations.

11. Troops march onto parade in four ranks with the officers positioned as shown in Annex C.

12. Sub units march onto parade in the following order:-

a. From Battalion Car Park.

B Coy
C Coy
Admin Coy
161 Fd Bty RNZA
1 APC Tp (PWLH) { As a group
161 Recce Flt }

b. From A and D Coy Road

Sp Coy
1 ALSC
5RAR Advance Party (position thereof dependant upon number of ALSC
tps provided)
105 Fd Bty
A Coy
D Coy

13. The 5RAR Band will be pre positioned in two semi circles NORTH of the flagpole.

Positions on Parade.

14. Final positions on the parade ground are shown diagrammatically in Annex C.

Order of March Off.

15. On completion of the church service all officers, acting on orders given by the Parade Commander will turn to the RIGHT and march off to the RIGHT hand side of the flagpole.

16. Sub units will then march off, via the Bn Car Park entrance to the Parade Ground, in the order of:-

C Coy
B Coy
161 Fd Bty RNZA
161 Recce Flt { As a Gp
1 APC Tp (PWLH) }
Sp Coy
Admin Coy
105 Fd Bty
1 ALSC { As a Gp
5RAR (Portion thereof) }
A Coy
D Coy

17. Sub units will march directly to their own sub unit area or embussing point, as applicable.

Sequence of Events.

18. The sequence of events showing timings, event, orders and by whom orders are given are shown in Annex D.

Timings.

19. See Annex D.

Dress

20. Dress is to be as follows:-

- a. 1RAR
Hats kahki fur felt
Shirts Mil Green
Trousers Mil Green
Boots GP (new issue boot)
Black web belt
Personal weapon (to be either rifle or OMC).

Note:

- (1) NO lanyards to be worn.
- (2) Officers are NOT to carry weapons.
- (3) Soldiers with OMCs are NOT to be placed in front ranks.
- (4) Officers are to wear "shoulder boards" with metal badges of rank, whilst NCOs are to wear shirts with cloth badges of rank sewn on.

b. Other Units are to use the dress as laid down for 1RAR as a guide and wear their normal walking out dress and carry weapons as applicable. Peak cap will NOT be worn and officers are to conform with Note (2) above.

Paying of Compliments on the Parade.

21. Compliments are to be paid on the following occasions during the parade:

- a. Arrival of the CG 173d Abn Bde (Sep).
- b. Arrival of Prime Minister and Official Party.
- c. At the 'Last Post' being played.
- d. At 'Revielle' being played.
- e. During the playing of the National Anthem.
- f. Before 'March Off'.

22. For the paying of compliments the following action is to take place:

- a. The Parade Commander will bring the parade to attention.
- b. The Parade Commander and the OC 161 Fd Bty only will salute.

Parade Commander

23. The Parade Commander for the Parade is Maj J A HOOPER.

Drill

24. To ensure uniformity between sub units the following is to be adopted:

- a. Quick March - 116 paces per minute.
- b. Pace Length - 30 inches.
- c. Arm Swing breast pocket high forward and waist high to the rear.

- d. Routine for Dressing.
- (1) Command to be given will be

1 Right Dress'
 - (2) Officers
 - (a) About turn
 - (b) Turn head and eyes to the LEFT.
 - (c) Dress on the RIGHT hand officer and cover off their nominated file.
 - (3) Those within the ranks.
 - (a) NO pace forward.
 - (b) Head and eyes turned to the RIGHT at the same time placing the LEFT hand (with fingers clenched and back of hand leading) on the LEFT hip.

National Flags

25. The AUSTRALIAN and NEW ZEALAND National Flags, size 6 ft by 3 ft are to be flown on the 'yard arm' of the flagpole, on the RIGHT and LEFT respectively, during the parade.

26. The RP Sgt and one NCO from 161 Fd Bty RNZA are to act as flag orderlies. Actions applicable to them are:-

- a. At 0850 hrs - Flags to be raised and broken.
- b. When 'Last Post' is played - Flags to be lowered to half mast.
- c. When 'Reveille' is sounded - Flags are to be raised immediately to the masthead on the opening bars.
- d. On completion of the parade, flags are to be lowered and the AUSTRALIAN National flag placed on the main pole at half mast.

Warning Gun.

27. 161 Fd Bty RNZA is to position one artillery piece on the EAST flank of the Battalion Car Park as a Warning Gun, which will signify the commencement of the Church Service by firing three smoke rounds in a NORTHERLY direction, 30 seconds after the Parade Commander has paid the compliment to the Prime Minister and the parade is 'stood at ease'.

Duties of the RP Section

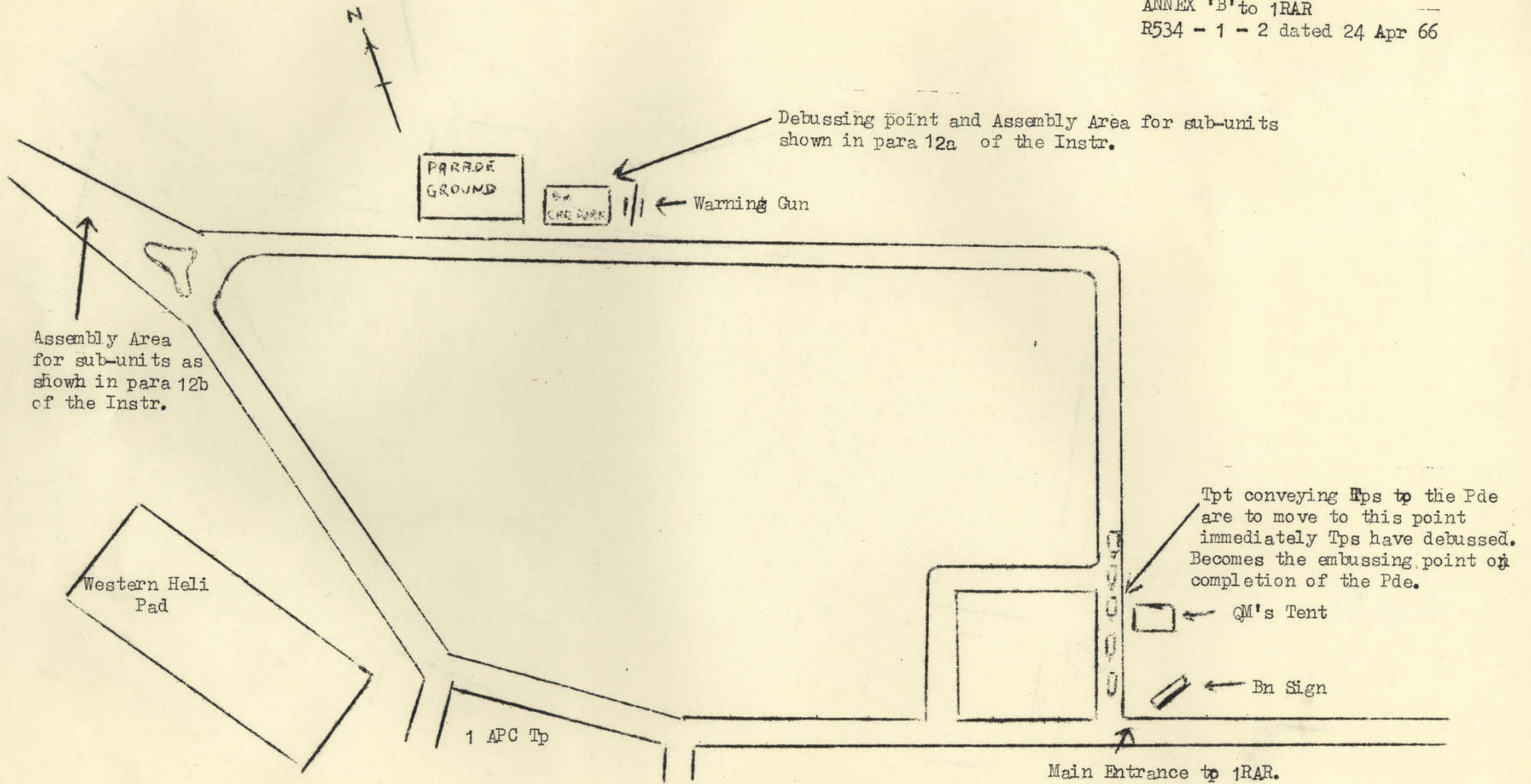
28. The following tasks are to be done by the RP Section with assistants as required and arranged by the RSM from Anti Tank Platoon:-

- a. Traffic Control.
 - (1) NO vehicles apart from those conveying the Official Party, the CG 173d Abn Bde (Sep) and other guests are permitted to drive past the Parade Ground or the Car Park after 0845 hrs.
 - (2) All other vehicles, other than those mentioned in paragraph 29 are NOT to be in the vicinity of the Car Park after 0845 hrs.

TROOPS TAKING PART

1. 1 RAR
 - a. A Coy 4 Officers 48 Other Ranks
 - b. B Coy " "
 - c. C Coy " "
 - d. D Coy " "
 - e. Sp Coy " "
 - f. Admin Coy " "
 - g. Battalion Band.
2. 161 Fd Bty RNZA - 4 Officers 48 Other Ranks.
3. 105 Fd Bty RAA - 4 Officers 48 Other Ranks.
4. 1 APC Tp (PWLH) - 2 Officers 24 Other Ranks.
5. 161 Recce Flt - 4 Officers 24 Other Ranks.
6. 1 ALSC - 4 Officers 36 Other Ranks.
7. 5 RAR - 14 Officers 28 Other Ranks.

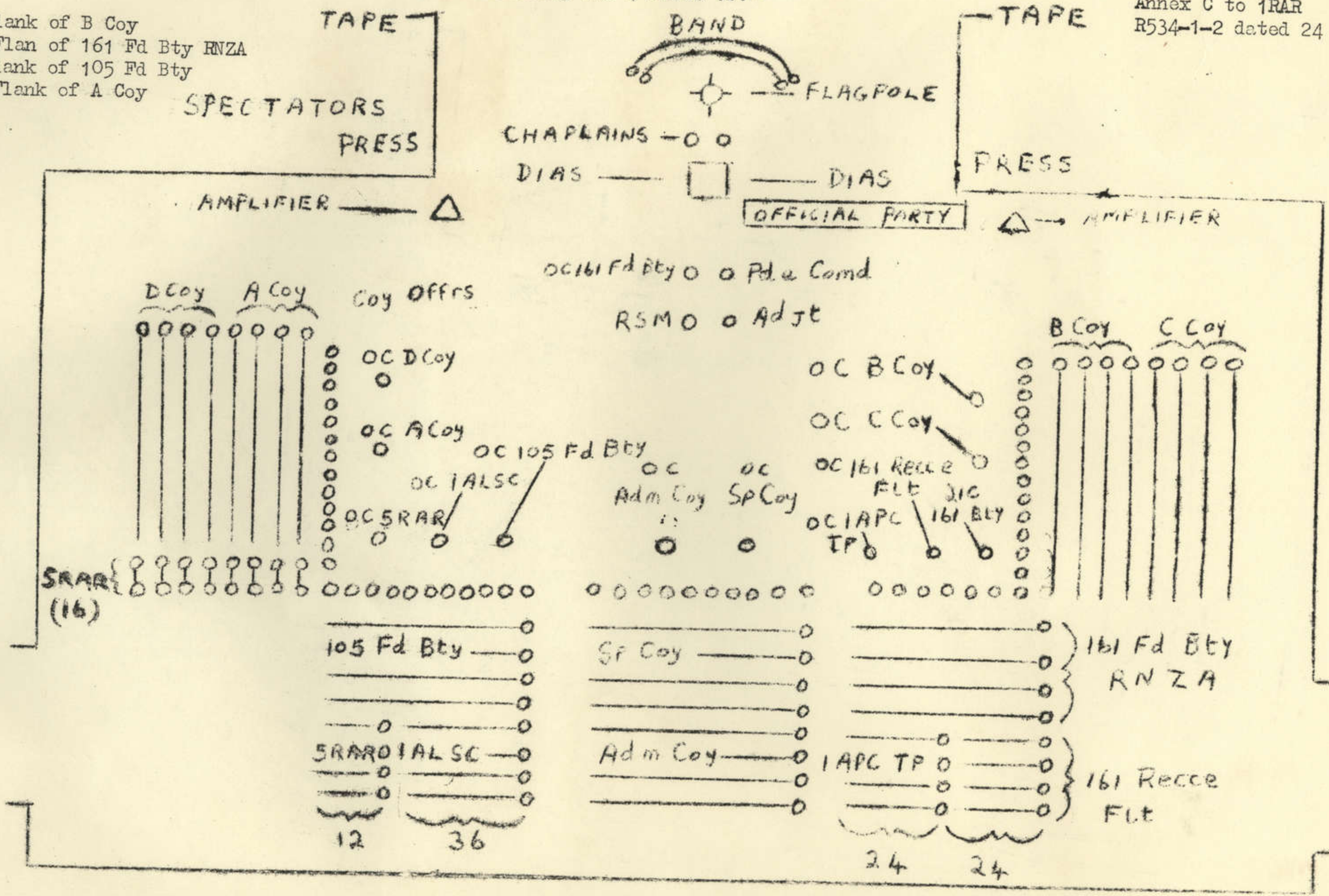
ANNEX 'B' to 1RAR
R534 - 1 - 2 dated 24 Apr 66



NOTE: Coy offrs are to cover all files of front rank excluding the 4 files of:-

- a. LEFT flank of B Coy
- b. RIGHT Flank of 161 Fd Bty RNZA
- c. LEFT Flank of 105 Fd Bty
- d. RIGHT Flank of A Coy

Annex C to 1RAR
R534-1-2 dated 24 Apr 66



SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Annex D

Serial	Time	Event	Word of Command given by	Remarks
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
1.	0810 hrs	a. Tpt conveying tps from other units arrive at Debussing Pt (Bn Car Park). b. Tps debus and move to respective Assembly Areas. c. Vehs move in posn as shown in Annex B.		
2.	0830 hrs	a. Tpt posn 2 x trucks at PIERSON FIELD to convey Press to Bn Car Park. b. Tps lined up in Assembly Areas. Offrs in posn.	Coy arrangements	a. Trucks to travel at NO more than 5 MPH to minimize dust. b. White smoke to be shown (TO to arrange).
3.	0835 hrs	Markers called for.	RSM. "Right Markers".	
4.	0840 hrs	Parade marches on.	a. Adj. "Parade will March On, B and Sp Coy leading." b. Sub unit Right Guides (CSMs). (1) "... Coy, by the right/left, Quick March!" (2) "... Coy, Mark Time, - Halt."	Flag orderlies raise the Australian and NEW ZEALAND National Flags.
5.	0843 hrs	Parade advances and dresses.	Adj. a. "Parade - Inwards turn". b. "Parade - Order Arms". c. "Parade - Right dress - Eyes Front".	a. 'A, D, Sp Coys, 161 Fd Bty, 1 APC Tp and 161 Recce Flt RIGHT TURN. Remainder LEFT TURN.
6.	0846 hrs	Coy and Other Unit Commanders posted	Adj. "Commanders - Take post".	a. No salute. b. Commanders march on from the Northern edge of the Parade Ground.

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
7.	0847 hrs	Parade Commander assumes command.	Parade Commander - "Parade - Stand at - Ease".	
8.	0850 hrs	CG 173d Abn Bde (Sep) arrives.	Parade Commander - "Parade - Attention - Stand at Ease.	a. Escorted by Lt I GUILD. b. Parade Commander and OC 161 Fd Bty salute.
9.	0850 hrs	Prime Minister arrives at Western Helipad		a. Met by CO 1 RAR. b. Tpt to have 5 x Landrovers positioned by 0845 hrs. c. VIOLET smoke to be shown by RP.
10.	0855- 0900 hrs	Prime Minister and Official Party arrives	Parade Commander. "Parade Attention - Stand at Ease".	a. Escorted by CO 1 RAR. b. Compliment is given after the introduction of the CG and PM is complete.
11.	0900 hrs	Warning Gun fired	161 Fd Bty RNZA as applicable	Fired 30 seconds after the Stand at Ease is given in Serial 10.
12.	0900- 0930 hrs	Commemorative Service held.		
13.	0930 hrs Approx	Bn Marches Off.	a. Parade Commander "Commanders Fall Out." Then hands over to the Adjt. b. Adjt "Officers - Fall Out." Then hands over to the RSM. c. RSM "Bn will march off, C Coy leading".	a. Commanders salute and move off the Northern edge of the Parade Ground. b. (1) Officers salute. (2) Those in front of A, D, Sp and Admin Coys and 105 Fd Bty and 1 ALSC LEFT TURN, remainder RIGHT TURN. (3) March off the Northern edge of the Parade Ground. c. Coy guides (CSMs) give 'Quick March and coys march off in order as per instruction.

AFTER ACTION REPORT

1. Operation No 8/66
2. Report by 17864 2Lt R.J. DAVIS
3. 12 Pl B Coy
4.
 - a. Time of action. 1400 hrs
 - b. Duration 10 secs
 - c. Date. 21 Apr 66
 - d. Location. 287903
5. Sub unit tasks. 12 Pl to clear in along ridge
6. Was it contact. Yes
7. Summary of action in chronological sequence.
 - a. One armed VC was observed approx 100 metres to the EAST of the pl.
 - b. The sec comd confirmed there were NO friendly forces on that flank.
 - c. Sec comd fired 2 shots, observing at least one hit the en, and noticed the VC fall to the ground.
 - d. On sweeping through the area, a pool of blood and minor blood trail was observed but proved to be unproductive when it was followed.
8. VC.
 - a. Strength. 1
 - b. Type. Main force
 - c. VC Cas.
WIA. 1
 - d. Were VC cas disposed of. N/a
 - e-g. Omitted
 - h. VC dress. Greens and basic eqpt
 - j. Summary.
VC fled NE after contact
9. Own Cas. Nil
10. Lessons learned. Nil
11. Comments. Nil

AFTER ACTION REPORT

1. Operation No 8/66
2. Report by 17354 Bvt R.S. DAVIS
3. 12 Pl D Coy
4.
 - a. Time of action. 1400 hrs
 - b. Duration 10 mins
 - c. Date. 21 Apr 66
 - d. Location. 287903
5. Sub unit tasks. 12 Pl to clear in along ridge
6. Was it contact. Yes
7. Summary of action in chronological sequence.
 - a. One armed VC was observed approx 100 metres to the EAST of the pl.
 - b. The sec cmd confirmed there were NO friendly forces on that flank.
 - c. Sec cmd fired 2 shots, observing at least one hit the en, and noticed the VC fall to the ground.
 - d. On sweeping through the area, a pool of blood and minor blood trail was observed but proved to be unproductive when it was followed.
8. VC.
 - a. Strength. 1
 - b. Type. Main force
 - c. VC Cas.
WIA. 1
 - d. Were VC cas disposed of. N/a
 - e-g. Omitted
 - h. VC dress. Greens and basic eqpt
 - j. Summary.
VC fled NE after contact
9. Own Cas. Nil
10. Lessons learned. Nil
11. Comments. Nil

AFTER ACTION REPORTS

1. Operation No 8/66
2. Report by 17864 2Lt R.J. DAVIS
3. 12 pl D Coy
4. a. Time of action. 1300 hrs
b. Duration. 2 mins
c. Date. 21 Apr 66
d. Location. 289907
5. Unit/sub unit tasks. 12 pl to clear SW along ridge line.
6. Was it contact. Yes
7. Summary of action in chronological sequence.
 - a. Two armed VC were seen moving parallel to the pl in the same direction at a distance of 50 metres.
 - b. 9 Sec incl pl comd followed VC
 - c. Remainder of pl formed stop groups.
 - d. 9 sec contacted approx 5 VC at SW end. The sec comd fired a burst of 20 rds from an M16 at a range of 7 yds into this group. 3 VC were wounded. The VC fled WEST.
 - e. At the same time a party of 3 unarmed VC moved into the rear of the sec. The sec 2IC fired a burst of 20 rds at this group wounding all 3. The VC fled N, one running into a stop group who killed him.
8. VC strength. 8
 - a. Type. Guerrilla
 - b. Cas.
KIA 1
WIA 5
7. f. A search of the area produced no results and a follow up on the en was prevented due to friendly forces being in the area.
g. It was obvious the en did not know we were there.
8. dThe VC were disposed of by burial --- location GR289907
 - e. Summary of docs and kit recovered. Minor personal paper incl letters. All items handed to the interpreter.
 - f. Type and number of wpns recovered. Nil
 - g. Wpns identified on action. 1 automatic wpn
1 rifle
 - h. VC Dress. Black pyjamas. Assortment of eqpt
 - j. Summary of VC action. To flee in opposite directions to the sec immediately after contact.
9. Own cas. Nil
10. Lessons learned. M16 does not have a very effective stopping power at close range. The wounded VC ran as though it had no effect upon them although it was observed that they had been hit in the chest and stomach.
11. Comments. Nil

AFTER ACTION REPORT

Op No 8/66

Report by 37479 2Lt WF HINDSON Commanding 5 Pl B Coy

1. a. Time of action. 2320 hrs

b. Duration. 10 mins

c. Date. 18 Apr 66

d. Location. GR 287969

2. Was it an Incident. Yes

3. Summary of events in chronological sequence. There were 2 men on picket. They did not see the VC party until they were parallel with the gun post beside the road. There were 8 VC in the party. The first one had passed the gun when the sentry called halt. The group of VC behind him stopped and started talking to them in Vietnamese. They evidently had no idea there was any position in the area. As one sentry called the first VC back the other sentry started to wake the section. Then one VC felt or saw the sentry's rifle and the group broke and ran back up the road. Shots were fired after them but casualties are unknown. The first VC ducked into the scrub behind the perimeter. A search was organised and when the VC was found he ripped off his shirt and surrendered. He was taken to CHQ for questioning. He was an officer and carrying a 45 pistol. His name was THUONG UT THANH DOUG of 250 PAVN Regt.

WF HINDSON 2Lt

AFTER ACTION REPORT

Op 8/66

Report by 37479 2Lt WF HINDSON Commanding 5 Pl B Coy

1. Time of incident. 1515 hrs

Date 17 Apr 66

Location. 065852

Unit sub unit task. Look for possible VC hideouts in the area.

2. Was it an Incident. Yes

3. Summary of events in chronological sequence. Pl was moving EAST from Coy posn when forward elements came across a large hut containing 2 men and 1 boy. They were questioned by the interpreter and policeman and were taken as suspects. VC propoganda material and a receipt for payment of VC taxes were found in their possession.

4. The 3 suspects were back loaded

WF HINDSON 2Lt

AFTER ACTION REPORT

Op No 8/66

Report by 214685 Lep1 PB PEDDIE of 4 Pl B Coy.

1. a. Time of action. 0925 hrs
b. Duration. 5 min
c. Date. 15 Apr
d. Location. GRO40154
2. Sub unit task. Sweep through rubber plantation as right fwa pl of the Coy.
3. Summary of events in chronological sequence. The pl was moving Sth through rubber 2 sections up 1 back. My section was on the left flank and 6 Pl were to our left front. 6 Pl engaged approx 5 VC. The VC broke cover about 150 metres to my front. My machine gunner engaged them but inflicted no known casualties. The VC fled to the right front and disappeared. After the action 4 Pl swept through through the rubber and bamboo and found no trace of the enemy.
4. VC
 - a. Type. Unknown
 - b. VC Cas. Unknown
 - c. VC action. Withdrew
 - d. VC Strength 5
5. Own Cas. Nil

PB PEDDIE Lep1

AFTER ACTION REPORT

Op No 8/66

Report by 16875.Cpl LT LINDSAY of 4 Pl B Coy

1. Time of incident. 1900 hrs
Date. 19 Apr 66
Location. 288968

2. At 1900 hrs on 19 Apr while on stand to the VC moved towards the MG pit and stopped in shadows. Noticing movement to the point he was challenged and the VC raised his hands above his head. He was reluctant to move and wanted to remain still until forced to move into the BN posn. No wpn was on the man and a search of the area failed to recover any wpn. His name was DANG MANH HAI and he was a private.

Strength of VC 1

Type. Main Force. (NORTH VIETNAMESE)

3. OC's Comments. During interrogation revealed that he was North Vietnamese would new fight against the VC, Had come to Sth VIETNAM with 120 Bn in Aug 65, had contracted malaria and was now engaged in supply duties. He was later found to belong to 250 Regt and belonged to the group from which THUONG UY TRAN DONG was captured 2330 hrs the same night. His pack contained tea, med supplies, singlets (new) and pers clothing.

LT LINDSAY Cpl

Maj ID McFARLANE

AFTER ACTION REPORT

Op No 8/66

Report by 37931 2Lt CJ McINTYRE Comd 6 Pl B Coy

1. a. Time. 0915 hrs
b. Duration 5 min
c. Date. 15 Apr 66
d. Location. GRD35167
2. Sub unit task. Search and Destroy
3. Was it a Contact. Yes
4. Summary of action in chronological sequence. The pl was left fwd platoon of a Coy advance. The forward section had just crossed a piece of high ground and was moving into a re entrant when it was fired on by one VC who withdrew to the SOUTH after fire was returned.
5. VC
 - a. Strength 1
 - b. Type. Unknown
 - c. VC Cas unknown
 - d. VC action. Withdrew.
6. Own Cas. Nil

CJ McINTYRE 2Lt

AFTER ACTION REPORT

Op No 8/66

Report by 37479 2Lt WF HINDSON Commanding 5 Pl B Coy

1. a. Time of action. 1800 hrs
b. Duration. 30 secs
c. Date 14 Apr 66
d. Location. GR 035174
2. Unit sub unit tasks. Rear Pl moving into harbour posn.
3. Was it a Contact. Yes
4. Summary of action in chronological sequence. As the forward platoons halted for a recess of the harbour area the first section in 5 Pl sighted 3 VC coming up the ridge towards the platoon. They sighted us and hesitated then moved towards us again. At about 60 yds they halted, recognised us and turned to escape. The two forward sections and pl headquarters opened fire. 1 VC was killed immediately 1 VC was wounded but died within 3 minutes and 1 VC was wounded and escaped.
5. VC Cas. 2 KIA
1 WIA (escaped)
6. Wpns and kit recovered. 1 x .30 cal GARAND backloaded
1 x M1
7. VC dress. They were dressed in grey black and each carried 1 web pistol belt with 1 water bottle and carrier and ammo pouches on it.
8. Own Cas. Nil

WF HINDSON 2Lt

AFTER ACTION REPORT

Op No 8/66

Report by 37931 2Lt CJ McINTYRE Comd 6 Pl B Coy.

1. a. Time 0925 hrs
b. Duration. 5 min
c. Date 15 Apr 66
d. Location. GR 040154
2. Sub unit task. S & D
3. Was it a contact. Yes
4. Summary of action in chronological sequence. The pl was left fwd pl of a Coy advance. 4 Pl which was right fwd pl was fired on by a group of 5 VC to their right front. My forward elements were able to bring a small amount of fire to bear before 4 Pl moved i to the area.
5. VC
 - a. Strength. 5
 - b. Type. Unknown
 - c. VC Cas. Unknown
 - d. VC action Withdrew
6. Own Cas. Nil

CJ McINTYRE 2Lt

CONFIDENTIAL

CO.

R875-2-45

Headquarters
Australian Army Force Vietnam
12 Tran Quoc Toan
SAIGON

21 Apr 66

VISIT BY THE HONORABLE HAROLD HOLT MP
AUSTRALIAN PRIME MINISTER

Introduction

1. The Australian Prime Minister will visit Vietnam during the period 22 - 25 Apr 66. He will reside in SAIGON at 5 BEN BACH DANG (Bach Dang Quay) over the period with visits from SAIGON as follows:-
 - a. BIEN HOA over the period 241400 Apr to 241600 Apr;
 - b. BIEN HOA over the period 250835 Apr to 250950 Apr; and,
 - c. VUNG TAU over the period 240420 Apr to 241330 Apr.
2. The Chief of the General Staff, Lieutenant General Sir JOHN WILTON, KBE, CB, DSO will accompany the Prime Minister.
3. Prime Minister's party will also be accompanied by those Dignataries shown in Annex A.
4. The Prime Minister has directed that informality be the basis of his meetings with members of AAFV whenever possible and in addition has expressed a desire to meet as many members as possible.
5. Detailed itinerary for the period is:-
 - a. Prime Minister's party - Annex B;
 - b. Press party - Annex C.

Responsibilities

6. Headquarters Australian Army Force Vietnam:-

Co-ordination

- a. Co-ordination with Australian Embassy Charge d'Affaires (Mr FERNANDEZ), with aspects of itinerary pertaining to visits to Units of Australian Army Force. Reference officer at Headquarters Australian Army Force is Capt J. BROWNE (GSO3), telephone number 60862 or 60798.
- b. Security.
 - (1) Area security at the residence of the Australian Ambassador, 149 Rue Pasteur, whilst the Prime Minister is present. Further at the compound of the Free World Military Assistance Organization.
 - (2) Equipment security by the provision of a security picquet for the VIP aircraft at Tan Son Nhut airport for the duration of the visit. Locality security is to be provided by the RAAF whilst the aircraft are positioned at VUNG TAU on 24 Apr 66.

c. Medical

c. Medical

- (1) The Senior Medical Officer AAFV is to be available on call during the period of the visit. On all occasions the Medical Officer is to be on short notice and the Australian Embassy is to be informed of the SMO's movements and method of contact throughout the visit. The SMO is also to be available for talks with Dr GIBBS on the general medical problems and services (both civil and military) encountered in the theatre.

d. Public Relations and Press

- (1) Liason with the press is to be effected by Maj ROSS SMITH, PRO AAFV, through the press co-ordination officer at the Australian Embassy (Mr MACK WILLIAMS).
- (2) Guidance and assistance to press party whilst visiting Australian Army Force Units, see Annex C.
- (3) Liason with Royal Australian Air Force units is to be made via the Air Attache (Group Captain COOMBES). Liason is also to be effected with reference to the press activities whilst visits are made to RAAF installations at VUNG TAU.
- (4) Liason is to be effected with MACV with reference to press activities during visits to United States installations.
- (5) PRO Headquarters Australian Army Force is responsible to ensure that current instructions relating to press and individual soldiers' relationship and statements are not contravened.

e. Transport

- (1) Provision of independant transport (Car) for the MA and/or ADC to the CGS from 22 Apr to 25 Apr 66.
- (2) HQ AAFV is to provide support transport and handlers for baggage movement on 22 and 25 Apr 66 and to effect liason with Mr HINCKSMAN (Australian Embassy) on detailed requirements.

f. Traffic Control

Headquarters AAFV is to provide traffic control facilities at the following localities and occasions:-

- (1) Free World Military Assistance Compound area on 23 Apr 66.
- (2) At VUNG TAU airport on arrival and departure of party.
- (3) Rest and Convalescent Centre VUNG TAU during the period of visit of Prime Minister's party 24 Apr 66.

g. Detailed Items Itinerary

- (1) See Annex B attached, serials 12, 13 and 14.
- (2) Provision of security of ground floor conference at Free World Military Assistance building on Saturday 23 Apr 66 during period of visit.

h. Catering

h. Catering Support

Provision of catering support for the Australian Rest and Convalescent Centre VUNG TAU over period 22 to 24 Apr 66.

6. The First Battalion Royal Australian Regiment.

The following are the responsibilities of 1 RAR during the period of the visit by the Prime Minister:-

a. Detailed Itinerary.

- (1) See Annex B, serials 24 to 26, 32 and 64 to 65, also Annex C (Press). Further, to provide details of proposed activities by phone for serials 24 to 26 at Annex B and for Press to this headquarters by Friday 1800 hrs 22 Apr 66.

b. Co-ordination

- (1) To co-ordinate the assembly of representatives at 1 RAR location of 1 APC Tp, 3 Fd Tp for presentation to Prime Minister's party.
- (2) 1 RAR is responsible for co-ordination of movement of VIP convoy on 23 April.
- (3) Provide two trucks for movement of Press party from PEARSON Field to 1 RAR and return 25 Apr 66 - Annex B serials 64 and 65.

c. Security

- (1) 1 RAR is to ensure adequate area security for the period of visit by Prime Minister's party to 1 RAR lines.

d. Traffic Control

- (1) 1 RAR is responsible for control of movement of helicopters on and off WEST Pad 1 RAR at approximate times on itinerary.
- (2) Further, for control of related vehicles to and from 1 RAR locality on 23 Apr 66 in conjunction with 105 Fd Bty.

e. Anzac Day Service

1 RAR is to arrange an Anzac Day service on 25 April between 0900 hrs and 0950 hrs with representation by AAFV units BIEN HOA and 161 NZ Fd Bty. Form of service is to allow five to seven minutes for address by the Prime Minister. A copy of the form of service is to be forwarded to this headquarters by 1100 hrs 23 Apr 66.

f. Catering

Lunch at BIEN HOA is to be provided for a party of approximately 50, including press. Rations may be supplemented to extent of up to 100 piastres or 75 cents (US) per person for visitors. Reimbursement may be anticipated on submission of detailed account to Australian Embassy via this HQ by the 1 May 1966. Expenditure will be minimised commensurate with appropriate standard of catering.

7. 105 Field Battery Royal Australian Artillery.

The following are the responsibilities of 105 Fd Bty:-

a. Detailed Itinerary

- (1) See Annex B, serials 28 and 29 and Annex C - Press. The Battery is to provide details of proposed activities by phone for serials 28, 29 and 30 to this headquarters by Friday 1800 hrs 22 Apr 66.

b. Co-ordination

- (1) To co-ordinate the assembly of representation within it's locality of members of HQ ALSC and 161 Recce Flt. This should include RAAF representation from 161 Recce Flt.

c. Security

- (1) 105 Fd Bty is to ensure adequate area security for period of visit by Prime Minister whilst in 105 Fd Bty lines.

d. Guides

105 Fd Bty is to provide guides for VIP party from 1 RAR lines to NZ Bty lines thence to 105 Fd Bty lines thence return to 1 RAR Helipad (WEST) at appropriate times on 23 Apr 66. Co-ordination is to be effected with 1 RAR.

8. Rest and Convalescent Centre WUNG TAU.

a. Detailed Itinerary

- (1) See Annex B, serials 48 and 49. Ensure that some AAFV R & C members are available to meet the Prime Minister.

b. Guides

Provide guides from RAAF other ranks quarters WUNG TAU to R & C Centre for VIP party. Co-ordinate with acting OC RAAF Flight WUNG TAU (Flt Lt BELLAMY).

c. Security

- (1) Ensure local security at R & C Centre throughout period of visit of Prime Minister, including internal security.

d. Administration

R & C Centre is responsible to provide lunch on 24 Apr 66 for complete VIP party (approximately 25) plus Press party (approximately 30). Reimbursement may be anticipated for expenses incurred for party up to 100 piastres or 75 cents (US) per head for supplementary rationing. Submission of a detailed account to Australian Embassy through HQ AAFV by 1 May 66 will be required. The amount so spent will be kept to a minimum commensurate with a suitable fare.

9. HQ Company AAFV.

The following are the responsibilities of HQ Coy AAFV:-

a. Detailed

a. Detailed Itinerary

- (1) See Annex B, serials 13, 14 and 15 and Annex C Press. HQ Coy AAFV is responsible for the assembly of officers and other ranks AAFV at time and places nominated.

b. Security

- (1) Ensure that adequate security arrangements are effected at the Free World Military Assistance compound whilst visit is made by VIP party.
- (2) Detailed arrangement for security of VIP aircraft with Air Attache (Group Captain COOMBES). Additional Duc Tan guard to be provided for picquet duties at Tan Son Nhut on VIP Viscount aircraft 22 to 25 Apr 66.

c. Transport

- (1) HQ Comdt is to provide one black car for use by either the MA or ADC for duration of Prime Minister's visit. Car to be located initially at HQ AAFV and co-ordination to be made with MA to CGS on arrival.
- (2) Provision of one 2½ ton vehicle and one VW van together with two loading parties for support of Embassy baggage reception and despatch on 22 and 25 Apr 66. Contact to be made with Mr HINCKSMAN, Australian Embassy, on detail.

d. Liason

All aspects of co-ordination with Free World Military Assistance Office, MACV, relating to itinerary at Annex B serials 13, 14 and 15 and Press.


+ Brigadier
Commander Australian Army Force
Vietnam

LIST OF ANNEXES

Composition of VIP party	- A
Detailed Itinerary	- B
Press Itinerary	- C
Helicopter loadings for Annex B and C	- D
Car plan for Annex B	- E
VIP accommodation plan.	- F

CONFIDENTIAL

DISTRIBUTION LIST

Comd
DCOMAAFV
FA
GSO 2
GSO 2 (173 Bde)
GSO 2 (173 Bde)
GSO 3
PRO (4)
DAAG
SMO
DADLS
DAQMG
Camp (3)
Provost (3)
AMA (4)
Air Attache
Red Cross
NZ Force (3)
RAAF Flt VUNG TAU
1 RAR (10)
1 ALSC (5)
1 APC Tp (3)
105 Fd Bty (3)
3 Fd Tp RAE (2)
161 Recce Flight (2)
709 Sig Tp
527 Sig Tp
AATTV (2)
FWMAO (3)
MACV I Protocol (7)
File
Float
Diary
Spares (8)

PLUS

MA to CGS - 20 (Including copies for CGS and other VIP members)
ADC to CGS - 3 (2 for VN ADCs)

CONFIDENTIAL

Annex A to AAFV Instruction
R875-2-45 of 21 Apr 66.

PRIME MINISTER'S PARTY

COMPOSITION

1. The Prime Minister of Australia, the Right Honorable HAROLD HOLT, MP.
2. Lt Gen Sir JOHN WILTON, Chief of the General Staff.
3. Honorable Dr W. T. GIBBS, MP.
4. Mr P. J. LAWLER, OBE - Deputy Secretary to Prime Minister.
5. Mr G. A. JOCKEL, OBE - First Assistant Secretary, Department of External Affairs.
6. Mr C. W. CLUGSTON - Acting First Assistant Secretary, Department of Defence.
7. Mr T. EGGLETON - Press Secretary to Prime Minister.
8. Mr F. W. JENNINGS - Private Secretary to Prime Minister.
9. Mr S. S. WHITROD - Commonwealth Security.
10. Inspector S. COOMBE - " "
11. Major K. R. HUTCHISON - MA to CGS.
12. Capt B. H. MITCHELL - ADC to CGS.
13. Mr F. HOBSON.

NOTE: Joined by, on occasions - Lt RENSCHEN - MACV (Protocol).
Maj PHAN QUANG VINH - ADC to CGS.
Maj LEI DUC CHUAN - ADC to PM.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Annex 'B' to
HQ AAFV R875:2:45
of 22 Apr 66

In Reply Please Quote		
R875	2	45

Copy No

ITINERARY FOR THE OFFICIAL VISIT TO VIETNAM

of

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE HAROLD HOLT MP.

PRIME MINISTER OF AUSTRALIA

22 APR - 25 APR 66

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Serial	Day/Date	Time	Place	Activity	Accompanied by	Remarks
1.	Friday 22 Apr 66	1130	TAN SON NHUT	Prime Minister arrives by RAAF Vicount Aircraft. Ceremonial Reception and Guard of Honour.	a. Complete party at Annex 'A' b. Vietnamese Aides join party & remain for appropriate serials. (1) PM - Major Lei Duc Chuan (2) CGS - Phan Quang Vinh	Reception party includes Comd AAFV, Brigadier O. D. JACKSON
2.	"	1145	" " "	Prime Minister departs for State Guest House. No 5 BACH DANG, SAIGON arriving 1200 hrs		Remainder of Prime Minister's Party proceed to accommodation under arrangements Australian Embassy, see Annex 'D' and 'F'
3.	"	1225	State Guest House - 5 BACH DANG	Prime Minister departs for Residence of Australian Ambassador, Mr H D ANDERSON, 149 Rue PASTEUR. Arrives 1230 hrs		
4.	"	1230-1450	149 Rue PASTEUR	Prime Minister lunches informally at Residence. Departs 1445 hrs.	Lt Gen Sir John WILTON Mr LAWLER Mr JOCKEL Brig O D JACKSON Mr CLUGSTON Mr WHITROD	
5.	"	1500		Prime Minister calls on the Foreign Minister HE. Dr TRAN VAN DO	Australian Ambassador Mr H D ANDERSON, Lt Gen Sir John WILTON Mr LAWLER Mr JOCKEL	Mr WHITROD accompanies party. ADC's in attendance.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Serial	Day/Date	Time	Place	Activity	Accompanied by	Remarks
6.	Friday 22 Apr 66	1600		Prime Minister calls on the Prime Minister, VIETNAM, HE NGUYEN CAO KY.		As for Serial 5
7.	"	1700		Prime Minister calls on Chief of State, HE Lt Gen NGUYEN VAN THIEU	" " " "	
8.	"	1800	State Guest House	Departs 1755 hrs. Prime Minister arrives No 5 BACH DANG		
9.	"	1800-1815	"	Prime Minister meets Australian Press. At state Guest House.		
10.	"	1900-2010	Australian Ambassadors Residence, 149 Rue PASTEUR	Prime Minister's reception at Australian Ambassadors Residence. Departs 2010 hrs.		Official Party MP Security at Annex 'A'
11.	"	2015		Prime Minister attends Vietnamese Government Dinner	CGS - Lt Gen Sir John WILTON Mr LAWLER Mr JOCKEL Mr CLUGSTON Dr GIBBS Mr WHITROD Journalists - 4	
12	Saturday 23 Apr 66	0820	State Guest House	Prime Minister departs for Free World Military Assistance building 12 TRAN QUOC TOAN.	LT GEN Sir John WILTON Mr LAWLER Mr JOCKEL Mr CLUGSTON Dr GIBBS Mr WHITROD Mr EGGLETON Mr JENNINGS Capt MITCHELL Major LEI DUC CHUAN PHAN QUANG VINH	Press Party approx 25

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Serial	Day/Date	Time	Place	Activity	Accompanied by	Remarks
13.	Saturday 23 Apr 66	0830	HQ AAFV, Free World Military Assistance Building	Prime Minister arrives Meets:- Chairman FWMAO, Lt Gen TAM; Chief MACFWMAO, Colonel B COOK; COMNZ V Force, Lieutenant Colonel W T FOLEY;		a. Met by Brig OD JACKSON COMAFV b. MF Security
14.	"	0833-0940	HQ AAFV	Prime Minister:- a. Meets Officers HQ AAFV b. Is briefed by COMAFV Brig O D JACKSON c. Meets Other Rank members HQ AAFV, 145 Sig Sqn & AATV		Party for COMAFV brief will be:- Australian Ambassador, Mr H D ANDERSON, CGS Lt Gen Sir John WILTON, Mr CLUGSTON Mr JOCKEL, Mr LAWLER.
15.	"	0945	FWMAO Building	Prime Minister departs for HQ US Military Assistance Command VIETNAM, 139 Rue PASTEUR (MACV 1) Arrives 0945 hrs	Australian Ambassador, Mr H D ANDERSON, Lt Gen Sir John WILTON, Mr CLUGSTON Mr LAWLER Mr JOCKEL Brig OD JACKSON Mr WHITROD <i>Mr POPE (NZ Chd) Lt Col FOLEY JENNINGS Dr GIBBS ECCLESTONE COOMBE</i>	a. Also in attendance:- Capt MITCHELL Maj LEI DUC CHUAN PHAN QUANG VINH b. Remainder of party remains AAFV and attends Press Brief 0945-1040; thence free to 1140 hrs c. Car plan see annex 'F' d. Maj JOSHUA, HQ AFV conducts press familiarization briefing 0945-1040 at Conference Room.
16.	"	0945-1050	MACV 1	Prime Minister is briefed and has discussions with COMUSMACV, Gen William C. WESTMORELAND. Departs 1050 hrs for TAN SON NHUT (120 Aviation Coy Heli Pad.)	a. As above plus Lt RESCHAN USA Protocol rep b. Party joined by:- Mr FITZPATRICK Mr HOBSON Col MAXWELL at 120 Aviation Coy	
17.	"	1100	TAN SON NHUT	Prime Minister departs 120 Avn Coy by Helicopter for BIEN HOA (HQ 2 F Force V)	As for Serial 16 above	a. Total 14 b. Three UHLB Helis c. Loading Annex 'D'

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Serial	Day/Date	Time	Place	Activity	Accompanied by	Remarks
18.	Saturday 23 Apr 66	1120	LONG BIEN	Prime Minister arrives Heli pad HQ 2 F Force V, LONG BIEN Joins Cars.	As for Serial 16.	a. 6 cars provided by No 3 US Tac Ftr Wg b. Car list Annex ' '
19.	"	1125-1150	HQ 2 F Force V	Prime Minister arrives 1125 hrs Has discussions with US Comd 2 F Force V Major General Jonathan O. SEAMAN. Departs 1150 hrs by car for 2 F Force V Heli pad.	As for Serial 16.	a. 3 X UH1B Helis
20.	"	1155	Heli pad 2 F Force V	Prime Minister departs by Heli for HQ 3 ARVN Corps.		" "
21.	"	1200	BIEN HOA	Prime Minister arrives 3 Corps helipad. Walks to HQ 3 Corps.	As for Serial 16.	
22.	"	1205-1235	HQ 3 Corps	Prime Minister arrives 1205 hrs Talks with Comd 3 Corps Major General NGUYEN BAO TRI and staff. Departs for heli pad 1235 hrs.	As for Serial 16.	
23.	"	1240	3 Corps Heli pad.	Prime Minister at heli pad, 3 Corps HQ and emplanes - departs by heli for 1 RAR Heli pad (WEST)	As for Serial 16.	NOTE 1. Remainder of VIP party from Serial 15 movement as follows:- a. Arrive 120 Avn Coy 1205 hrs b. Depart 120 Avn Coy 1210 hrs c. Arrive 1 RAR 1230 hrs 2. Join Prime Ministers party at 1 RAR 3. Move by one UH1D.
24.	"	1250	1 RAR	Prime Minister arrives 1 RAR Helipad (WEST)	<i>All arrive 1250</i>	Met by CO 1 RAR - Lt Col A V PREECE

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Serial	Day/Date	Time	Place	Activity	Accompanied by	Remarks
25.	Saturday 23 Apr 66	1255-1525	1 RAR	Prime Minister:- a. Meets officers 1 RAR, 1 APC Tp; 3 Fd Tp RAR . b. Lunches with officers to 1355 hrs c. Has informal meeting with members 1 RAR, 1 APC Tp, 3 Fd Tp RAR in 1 RAR lines. Views equipment. d. Departs 1525 hrs	As for Serial 17 plus Dr GIBB Mr POPE (NZ Charge D' affairs) Mr EGGLETON Mr JENNINGS Mr COOMBES Col Foley (Comd NZ V Force)	a. Cars (6) provided by No 3 US Tac Wg throughout afternoon. b. Guide by 105 Fd Bty.
26.	"	1525	1 RAR	Prime Minister departs by car for 161 Fd Bty (NZ)		
27.	"	1530-1552	161 Fd Bty(NZ)	Prime Minister arrives. Meets officers and men 161 Fd Bty (NZ) Departs 1552 hrs	As for Serial 25.	Met by Acting OC, Capt M STANLEY
28.	"	1600	105 Fd Bty	Prime Minister arrives 105 Fd Bty	As for Serial 25.	Met by Major PNO TEDDER BC: Capt BJ STARK Bty Capt; WO2 J SOXSMITH BSM
29.	"	1600-1645	" "	Prime Minister:- a. Views equipment demonstration 105 Howitzers and meets gun detachment members b. Has afternoon tea at Recreation Hut. Meets Officers and men 105 Fd Bty, 1 Aust Logistic Support Company and 161 Recce Flt including RAAF	As for Serial 25.	Major R McDONALD, OC 1 ALSC Major P LIPSCOMBE, OC 161 Recce Flt.
30.	"	1650	" "	Prime Minister joins cars. Departs by road for 1 RAR Heli Pad (WEST) arriving 1658 hrs.	As for Serial 25.	
31.	"	1700	1 RAR Heli pad	Prime Minister emplanes heli:		
32.	"	1705	1 RAR Heli pad	Prime Minister departs for viewing village project 1 RAR	Lt Gen Sir John WILTON Brig O D JACKSON Lt Col A V PREECE in No 1 Heli.	Remainder party wait at 1 RAR Heli pad.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Serial	Day/Date	Time	Place	Activity	Accompanied by	Remarks
33.	Saturday 23 Apr 66	1705-1714	BIEN HOA Area	Prime Minister flies over 1 RAR village project		
34.	"	1715	1 RAR Heli pad	Prime Minister party (serial 33) lands. Releases CO 1 RAR -(Prime Minister Party departs 1 RAR Heli pad for TAN SON NHUT.	As for Serial 25.	Heli loading as for forward movement to 1RAR 4 X UHLB and 1 UHLD.
34. (a)		1720				
35.	"	1740	TAN SON NHUT	Prime Minister arrives 120 Avn Coy. Joins Car - departs 1745 for State Guest House, 5 BACH DANG.		
36.	"	1750 (approx)	State Guest House	Prime Minister arrives		
37.	"	1815-1830	" "	Prime Minister meets Press (Aust) Party.		
38.	"	1940	State Guest House	Prime Minister departs for Australian Ambassador's Residence 149 Rue PASTUER. Arrives 1945 hrs. Private dinner.	Lt Gen Sir John WILTON Mr CLUGSTON Mr JOCKEL Mr WHITROD	MP Security
39.	"	2245	149 Rue PASTUER	Prime Minister departs for State Guest House. Arriving 2250 hrs		
40.	Sunday 24 Apr 66	0805	State Guest House	Prime Minister departs for TAN SON NHUT - VIP Lounge. Arrives 0815 hrs.	Aust Ambassador Lt Gen Sir John WILTON Mr CLUGSTON Mr LAWLER Mr JOCKEL Brig JACKSON Gp Capt COOMBES Dr GIBBS Mr WHITROD Mr EGGLETON Mr JENNINGS Mr COOMBES	ADC's:- Capt MITCHELL Maj LIE DUC CHUAN PHAN QUANG VINH
41.	"	0820	TAN SON NHUT	Prime Minister departs by RAAF Viscount Aircraft for VUNG TAU. Doors Close	As for Serial 40.	

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Serial	Day/Date	Time	Place	Activity	Accompanied by	Remarks
42.	Sunday 24 Apr 66	0855	VUNG TAU Airfield	Prime Minister arrives VUNG TAU Air- field	As for Serial 40.	a. Met by Mayor of VUNG TAU Area Commander Base Commander b. 6 cars provided by ARVN c. Aust MP Control.
43.	"	0905	RAAF Tpt Flight	Prime Minister arrives		
44.	"	0905-0920	"	Prime Minister meets Staff HQ RAAF Tpt Flight and is briefed on oper- ations. Departs on foot for hangar area	As for Serial 40.	Met by OC, Sqn Ldr GUTHRIE
45.	"	0923-0940	"	Prime Minister meets RAAF Crews on task, inspects hangar operations. Departs 0943 hrs for Rural Const- ruction Training Cadre Centre.	As for Serial 40.	
46.	"	0950-1050	Rural Con- struction Trg Centre VUNG TAU	Prime Minister arrives 0950. Meets staff including members AATTV. rec- eives brief and inspects facility. Departs 1050 hrs for RAAF Quarters VUNG TAU	As for Serial 40. (to be confirmed by Embassy)	Members AATTV:- WO1 OSTARA, WO1 HILL, WO2 DICKSON, WO2 BONE, WO2 HEWSON.
47.	"	1100-1145	RAAF Villa VUNG TAU	Prime Minister arrives 1100 hrs. Meets RAAF Flight members, views villa installations, departs 1145 hrs		
48.	"	1155	AAFV R & C CENTRE	Prime Minister arrives		Route may be via RAAF offrs VILLA, VUNG TAU (Depending on PM's desire)
49.	"	1155-1315	AAFV R & C CENTRE	Prime Minister meets Staff R & C Cen- tre and AAFV members on leave; Ins- pects Centre; luncheon; departs for VUNG TAU Airfield 1315 hrs	As for Serial 40.	a. Met by Capt F BARTON b. Officers RAAF Tpt Flt attend for lunch. c. Mayor VUNG TAU, Area Commander VUNG TAU, Base Commander VUNG TAU, attend for lunch.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Serial	Day/Date	Time	Place	Activity	Accompanied by	Remarks
50.	Sunday 24 Apr 66	1325	Airfield VUNG TAU	Prime Minister arrives. Emplanes for BIEN HOA.	As for Serial 40.	
51.	"	1330	"	Doors close Viscount aircraft		
52.	"	1330-1400	En Route	Prime Minister flies over Logistic Support Area and BA RIA en route for BIEN HOA. Arrives BIEN HOA 1400 hrs	As for Serial 40.	
53.	"	1405	BIEN HOA Airfield	Prime Minister departs by road for hospital area.	As for Serial 40.	
54.	"	1415-1500	BIEN HOA Hospital	Prime Minister meets Australian Surgical Team and inspects facilit- ies. Departs 1500 hrs by car.	As for Serial 40.	
55.	"	1505-1545	USOM House BIEN HOA	Prime Minister meets staff, inspects installation. Departs 1550 hrs for BIEN HOA airfield - arrives 1555 hrs.	As for Serial 40.	
56.	"	1600	BIEN HOA Airfield	Doors close Viscount aircraft. Prime Minister departs for TAN SON NHUT. Arrives VIP terminal 1620 hrs	As for Serial 40.	
57.	"	1625	TAN SON NHUT VIP Terminal	Prime Minister departs by car for 3 US Fd Hospital. Arrives 1625 hrs.	a. Lt Gen Sir John WILTON; Brig O D JACKSON Dr GIBBS, Aides and Mr WHITROD in attendance. b. Remainder of party proceeds to accomm- odation	a. Met b:- (1) CO 3 Fd Hosp (US) (2) SMO, AAFV Maj M NAUGHTON.
58.	"	1630-1650	3 Fd Hosp (US)	Prime Minister visits AAFV patients. Departs 1650 hrs for State Guest House	As for Serial 57.	
59.	"	1705	State Guest House	Prime Minister arrives State Guest House. No 5 BACH DANG		
60.	"	1950	"	Prime Minister departs for Austral- ian Ambassador's Residence at 149 Rue PASTEUR	Lt Gen Sir John WILTON Mr CLUGSTON; Dr GIBBS Mr LAWLER; Mr JOCKEL	Aust MP Security

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

58 9 492

53 Kiwis

550

Serial	Day/Date	Time	Place	Activity	Accompanied by	Remarks
61.	Sunday 24 Apr 66	2000	149 Rue PASTEUR	Prime Minister's Dinner	As for Serial 60.	
62.	Monday 25 Apr 66	0820	State Guest House	Prime Minister departs for Heli pad, 120 Avn Coy TAN SON NHUT. Arrives 0830 hrs	Australian Ambassador Mr H D ANDERSON Lt Gen Sir John WILTON	
63.	"	0835	TAN SON NHUT 120 Avn Coy	Prime Minister departs by heli for BIEN HOA. Arrives 1 RAR Heli pad (WEST)	Mr CLUGSTON Mr LAWLER Mr JOCKEL Brig JACKSON	
64.	"	0850	1 RAR	Prime Minister Arrives proceeds to ANZAC Service in 1 RAR Lines.	Mr WHITROD Mr FITZPATRICK Mr HORSON Col MAXWELL Mr POPE Dr GIBBS Mr ELLGETON Mr JENNINGS Gp Capt COOMBES Lt Col FOLEY Capt MITCHELL Maj Lei Duc Chuan Maj Phan Quang Vinh	Met by CO 1 RAR, Lt Col A V PREECE Meets Comd 173 AB Bde (US) Brig Gen P F SMITH.
65.	"	0900-0950	1 RAR	Prime Minister attends ANZAC Service and addresses gathering of representatives in the parade including 161 Fd Bty NZ attending the service. Departs 1 RAR by heli 0955 hrs.	1st Asst Sec Def Dep Sec PM 1st Asst Sec Ext Affairs	
66.	"	1015	TAN SON NHUT	Prime Minister arrives 120 Avn Coy, TAN SON NHUT; joins car, proceeds to Vietnamese National Press Centre at 2 Thoug Nhut; arrives 1040 hrs	As for above	(a) Breaks journey en route at Australian Ambassadors Residence, 149 Rue PASTEUR approx 1025-1040. MP Security b. Movement remainder of party to be advised.
67.	"	1045-1125	Vietnamese National Press Centre	Prime Minister meets press. Departs 1125 hrs	To be advised	
68.	"	1140	TAN SON NHUT VIP Lounge	Prime Minister arrives, Departure procedure.		
69.	"	1150	" " "	Doors Viscount Close. Prime Minister departs.		

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Annex C to AAFV Instr
R875-2-45 dated 21 April 66

VISIT OF AUSTRALIAN PRIME MINISTER
TO VIETNAM 22 - 25 APR 66

ITINERARY FOR PRESS

Note:

1. See Annex B for related helicopter movement referenced to.
2. 1 RAR is responsible for provision of transport from and to PEARSONS FIELD, 25 Apr 66.
3. Arrangements have been made by Australian Embassy with MACV (Protocol) and Vietnamese Foreign Ministry for Buses/Trucks as follows:-
 - a. In SAIGON - MACV
 - b. 23 Apr 66 - MACV (provided by 3 Tac Flt Wg USAF. Tel: BIEN HOA, Local 7255.)
 - c. 24 Apr 66 - VN Foreign Ministry.

AUSTRALIAN PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT

Itinerary For Press Party

a. Friday, 22nd April

- 1100 - arrive VIP terminal Tan Son Nhut (TSN) airport.
1200 - depart for hotels by bus.
1400 - press party meet at Chancery in Caravelle Hotel for briefing on arrangements and programme sheets.
1500/1730 - meeting with Minister of Information and briefing by Vietnamese Authorities.
1600 - attend regular daily Vietnamese press briefing at State Guest House.
1750 - depart Caravelle Hotel by bus.
1800/1815 - meeting with Prime Minister (for Australian Press).
1820 - depart by bus for Caravelle Hotel.
1855 - depart by bus from Caravelle for Reception at Australian Embassy.
2015 - depart Australian Embassy for Caravelle.

b. Saturday, 23rd April

- 0805 - depart from Caravelle by bus.
0820 - arrive HQ AAFV. Cover PMs visit to HQ AAFV - Maj ROSS SMITH.
0950/1030 - Familiarisation brief at AAFV by Maj JOSHUA - conference room.
1030 - depart for TSN - 120 Aviation Coy. Depart TSN 1050 - CHINOOK.

CONFIDENTIAL

1115 -

- 1115 - arrive 2 F Force V Helipad. Proceed to HQ 2 F Force V.
- 1205 - arrive 3 Corps HQ Helipad.
- 1230 - depart 3 Corps HQ Helipad for PEARSONS FIELD.
- 1240 - arrive PEARSONS FIELD. Depart by truck.
- 1250 - arrive 1 RAR by truck.
- 1250/1520 - with 1 RAR, including lunch.
- 1520 - depart 1 RAR by truck for 161 NZ Bty.
- 1525 - arrive 161 New Zealand Battery.
- 1540 - depart 161 New Zealand Battery.
- 1555 - arrive 105 Field Battery (afternoon tea).
- 1650 - depart 105 Field Battery for helipad, PEARSONS FIELD by truck.
- 1715 - depart by helicopter (CHINOOK).
- 1735 - arrive 120 Aviation Coy TSN airport.
- 1740 - depart by bus.
- 1800/1815 - meeting with Prime Minister (for Australian Press).
- 1820 - depart for Caravelle by bus.

c. Sunday, 24th April

- 0740 - depart from Caravelle by bus for VIP terminal TSN airport.
- 0805 - doors close on RAAF Metropolitan aircraft.
- 0840 - arrive VUNG TAU to await arrival of Prime Minister.
- 0905 - move by truck to RAAFTFV hangar.
- 0940 - depart by truck for Rural Construction Cadre Training Centre.
- 0950 - arrive Rural Construction Cadre Training Centre.
- 1050 - depart by truck for RAAF quarters.
- 1100 - 1145 - RAAF quarters.
- 1145 - depart for AAFV Rest Centre by truck (ARVN).
- 1155/1305 - Visit AAFV Rest Centre (Lunch).
- 1305 - depart for VUNG TAU airfield.
- 1320 - doors close RAAF Metropolitan aircraft.
- 1350 - arrive BIEN HOA airbase.
- 1400 - arrive Provincial Hospital BIEN HOA to await arrival of Prime Minister, - movement by bus.
- 1505 - depart hospital for BIEN HOA airbase.

1520 - doors.

1520 - doors close RAAF Metropolitan.

1540 - arrive VIP terminal TSN Airport.

1550 - depart by bus.

1610 - arrive Caravelle.

d. Monday, 25th April

0745 - depart Caravelle by bus.

0815 - depart 120 Aviation Coy TSN airport by helicopter for Anzac Day ceremony.

0835 - arrive helipad BIEN HAO, PEARSONS FIELD.

0840 - arrive 1 RAR by truck (1 RAR).

0955 - depart 1 RAR for PEARSONS FIELD by truck (1 RAR).

1000 - take off.

1020 - arrive 120 Aviation Coy TSN airport.

1025 - depart by bus.

1040 - arrive 2 Thong Nhut for Prime Minister's press conference.

1125 - end of press conference.

1130 - depart by bus for VIP terminal Tan Son Nhut.

1145 - arrive VIP terminal TSN.

1150 - doors close on Metropolitan aircraft.

CONFIDENTIAL

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

1st Battalion
The Royal Australian Regiment
Battalion Group
BIEN HOA

R534/1/2

24 Apr 66

PARADE AND CHURCH SERVICE - BIEN HOA
ANZAC DAY 1966

General.

1. A parade and church service is to be held on the Battalion Parade Ground 1 RAR at BIEN HOA, on Monday 25 April 1966 to commemorate the Fifty First Anniversary of the landing at GALLIPOLI.
2. AUSTRALIAN units at BIEN HOA together with 161 Fd Bty RNZA will be represented on the parade.
3. The Prime Minister of AUSTRALIA the Right Honourable Harold HOLT MP will be present for the parade and give a short address.

Concept of the Parade.

4. The parade is to commence by the Coys and sub units of the 1RAR Battalion Group marching onto the 1RAR Battalion Parade Ground and taking up positions as shown in Annex C.
5. When the troops are positioned the Prime Minister and his Official Party will move on the NORTHERN Edge of the parade ground and be met by CO 1RAR and the CG 173d Abn Bde (Sep). Compliments will be paid by the Parade Commander only.
6. The ANZAC Day Church Service will then commence as per the programme previously issued.
7. On the completion of the Church Service the Official Guests will depart and the officers on the parade will march off to the RIGHT Flank of the Parade Ground.
8. Once the officers are clear of the parade ground the coys and sub units of 1RAR Battalion Group with 161 Fd Bty RNZA and 1ALSC independantly march off to their respective areas or transport, whichever is applicable, via the Battalion Car Park.

Troops Taking Part.

9. Troops taking part in the parade are to be the 1RAR Battalion Group, 161 Fd Bty RNZA, 1ALSC and 5RAR Advance Party. Details as to numbers of troops to take part are shown in Annex A.

Assembly Area.

10. The Assembly Areas are:-
 - a. The 1RAR Battalion Car Park; and
 - b. The A and D Coy road.

These areas and individual unit Assembly Areas are shown in Annex B.

Order Of March onto Parade and Formations.

11. Troops march onto parade in four ranks with the officers positioned as shown in Annex C.

12. Sub units march onto parade in the following order:-

a. From Battalion Car Park.

- B Coy
- C Coy
- Admin Coy
- 161 Fd Bty RNZA
- 1 APC Tp (PWLH) { As a group
- 161 Recce Flt

b. From A and D Coy Road

- Sp Coy
- 1 ALSC
- 5RAR Advance Party (position thereof dependant upon number of ALSC tps provided)
- 105 Fd Bty
- A Coy
- D Coy

13. The 1RAR Band will be pre positioned in two semi circles NORTH of the flagpole.

Positions on Parade.

14. Final positions on the parade ground are shown diagrammatically in Annex C.

Order of March Off.

15. On completion of the church service all officers, acting on orders given by the Parade Commander will turn to the RIGHT and march off to the RIGHT hand side of the flagpole.

16. Sub units will then march off, via the Bn Car Park entrance to the Parade Ground, in the order of:-

- C Coy
- B Coy
- 161 Fd Bty RNZA
- 161 Recce Flt
- 1 APC Tp (PWLH) { As a Gp
- Sp Coy
- Admin Coy
- 105 Fd Bty
- 1 ALSC
- 5RAR (Portion thereof) { As a Gp
- A Coy
- D Coy

17. Sub units will march directly to their own sub unit area or embussing point, as applicable.

Sequence of Events.

18. The sequence of events showing timings, event, orders and by whom orders are given are shown in Annex D.

Timings.

19. See Annex D.

Dress

0. Dress is to be as follows:-

a. 1RAR

Hats khaki fur felt
Shirts Mil Green
Trousers Mil Green
Boots CP (new issue boot)
Black web belt
Personal weapon (to be either rifle or OMC).

Note:

- (1) NO lanyards to be worn.
- (2) Officers are NOT to carry weapons.
- (3) Soldiers with OMCs are NOT to be placed in front ranks.
- (4) Officers are to wear "shoulder boards" with metal badges of rank, whilst NCOs are to wear shirts with cloth badges of rank sewn on.

b. Other Units are to use the dress as laid down for 1RAR as a guide and wear their normal walking out dress and carry weapons as applicable. Peak cap will NOT be worn and officers are to conform with Note (2) above.

Paying of Compliments on the Parade.

21. Compliments are to be paid on the following occasions during the parade:

- a. Arrival of the CG 173d Abn Bde (Sep).
- b. Arrival of Prime Minister and Official Party.
- c. At the 'Last Post' being played.
- d. At 'Revielle' being played.
- e. During the playing of the National Anthem.
- f. Before 'March Off'.

22. For the paying of compliments the following action is to take place:

- a. The Parade Commander will bring the parade to attention.
- b. The Parade Commander and the OC 161 Fd Bty only will salute.

Parade Commander

23. The Parade Commander for the Parade is Maj J A HOOPER.

Drill

24. To ensure uniformity between sub units the following is to be adopted:

- a. Quick March - 116 paces per minute.
- b. Pace Length - 30 inches.
- c. Arm Swing breast pocket high forward and waist high to the rear.

d. Routine for Dressing.

(1) Command to be given will be

1 Right Dress'

(2) Officers

(a) About turn

(b) Turn head and eyes to the LEFT.

(c) Dress on the RIGHT hand officer and cover off their nominated file.

(3) Those within the ranks.

(a) NO pace forward.

(b) Head and eyes turned to the RIGHT at the same time placing the LEFT hand (with fingers clenched and back of hand leading) on the LEFT hip.

National Flags

25. The AUSTRALIAN and NEW ZEALAND National Flags, size 6 ft by 3 ft are to be flown on the 'yard arm' of the flagpole, on the RIGHT and LEFT respectively, during the parade.

26. The RP Sgt and one NCO from 161 Fd Bty RNZA are to act as flag orderlies. Actions applicable to them are:-

a. At 0850 hrs - Flags to be raised and broken.

b. When 'Last Post' is played - Flags to be lowered to half mast.

c. When 'Reveille' is sounded - Flags are to be raised immediately to the masthead on the opening bars.

d. On completion of the parade, flags are to be lowered and the AUSTRALIAN National flag placed on the main pole at half mast.

Warning Gun.

27. 161 Fd Bty RNZA is to position one artillery piece on the EAST flank of the Battalion Car Park as a Warning Gun, which will signify the commencement of the Church Service by firing three smoke rounds in a NORTHERLY direction, 30 seconds after the Parade Commander has paid the compliment to the Prime Minister and the parade is 'stood at ease'.

Duties of the RP Section

28. The following tasks are to be done by the RP Section with assistants as required and arranged by the RSM from Anti Tank Platoon:-

a. Traffic Control.

(1) NO vehicles apart from those conveying the Official Party, the CG 173d Abn Bde (Sep) and other guests are permitted to drive past the Parade Ground or the Car Park after 0845 hrs.

(2) All other vehicles, other than those mentioned in paragraph 29 are NOT to be in the vicinity of the Car Park after 0845 hrs.

b. Press

(1) Press are to be confined to the area as shown in Annex C during the Parade and Service.

(2) NO press representatives or photographers are to move onto the Battalion Parade Ground.

c. Marking of Area. They are to assist the RSM to:-

(1) Place mine marking tape around the Parade Ground.

(2) Mark the Parade Ground and position right markers.

Spectators.

29. Sub units are to encourage spectators to attend.

30. The dress of spectators is to conform with that of troops on parade.

31. The area for spectators is shown in Annex C.

Amplifier.

32.9 The RSO is responsible for positioning and installing an amplifier with two speakers as shown in Annex C by 0800 hrs 25 Apr 66.

Transport.

33. Sub units are to provide their own transport.

34. Vehicles arriving from sub units are to debus their troops at the Battalion Car Park and move to the road as shown in Annex B, where the troops are to embus on completion of the parade.

35. Transport Platoon 1RAR is to have 5 x $\frac{1}{4}$ ton GS Landrovers at the WESTERN helipad at 0845 hrs and 2 x trucks at PEARSON Field by 0830 hrs.

36. Transport Platoon is to water down the Parade Ground and Assembly Areas by 0830 hrs 25 Apr 66.

Rehearsal.

37. A rehearsal of the parade is to be held on the 24 Apr 66 commencing at 1630 hrs. Dress will be dress of the day.

Form Of Church Service

38. A souvenir programme showing in outline the Church Service that will be conducted is to be issued to cogs on the afternoon of 24 Apr 66.

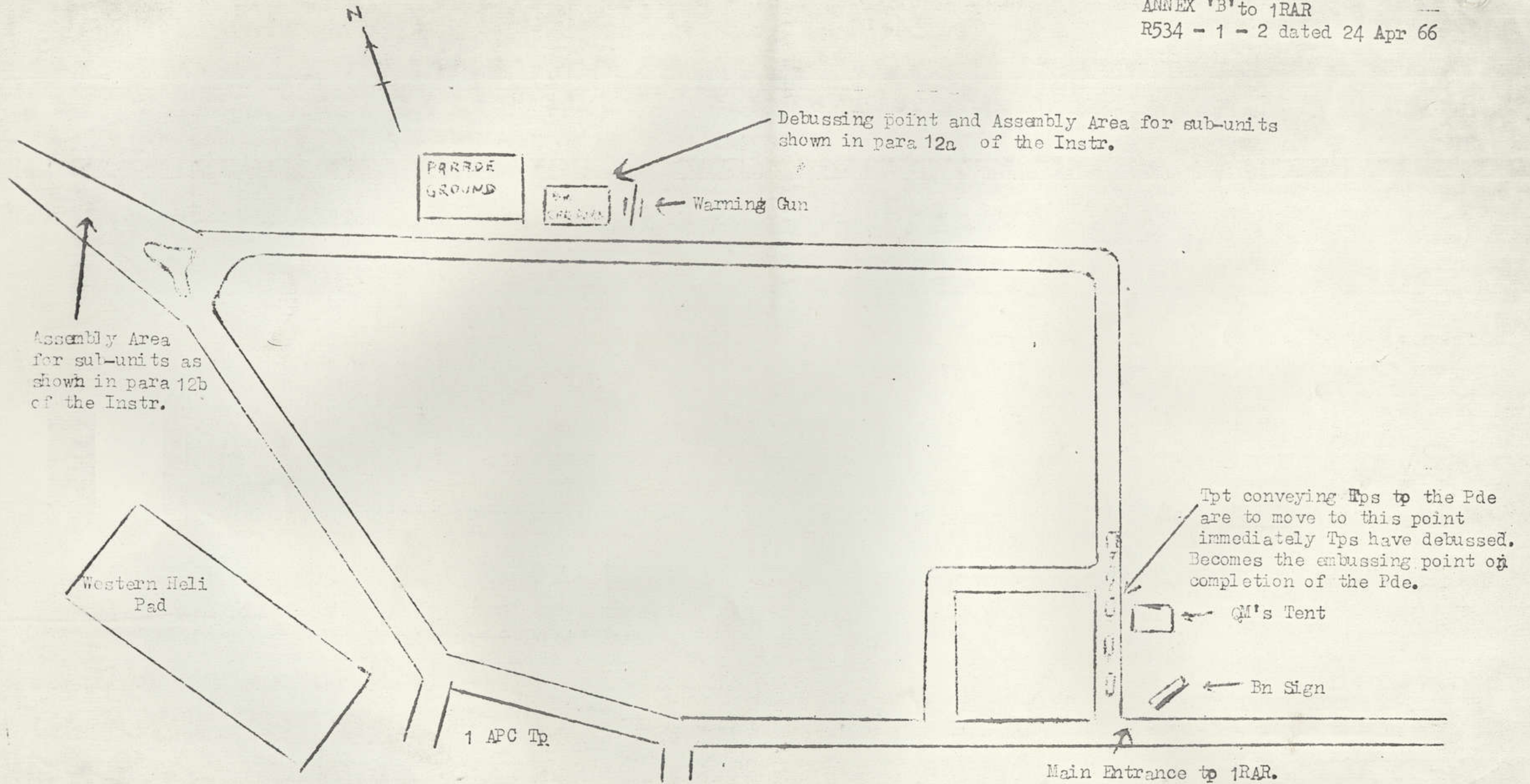
Distribution
List A



Capt
Adjt

TROOPS TAKING PART

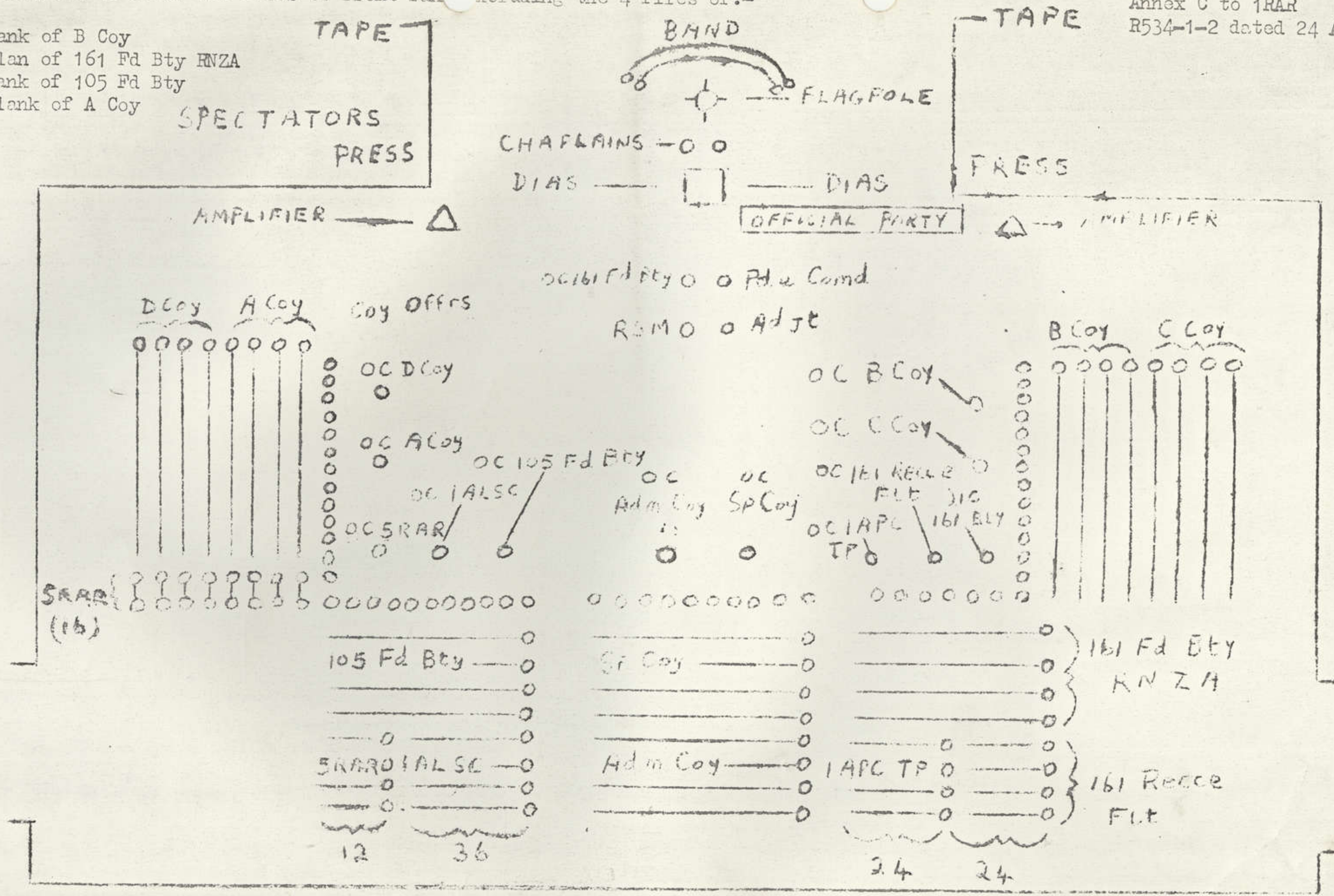
1. 1 RAR
 - a. A Coy 4 Officers 48 Other Ranks
 - b. B Coy " "
 - c. C Coy " "
 - d. D Coy " "
 - e. Sp Coy " "
 - f. Admin Coy " "
 - g. Battalion Band.
2. 161 Fd Bty RNZA - 4 Officers 48 Other Ranks.
3. 105 Fd Bty RAA - 4 Officers 48 Other Ranks.
4. 1 APC Tp (PWLH) - 2 Officers 24 Other Ranks.
5. 161 Recce Flt - 4 Officers 24 Other Ranks.
6. 1 ALSC - 4 Officers 36 Other Ranks.
7. 5 RAR - 14 Officers 28 Other Ranks.



NOTE: Coy offrs are to cover all files of front rank including the 4 files of:-

- a. LEFT flank of B Coy
- b. RIGHT Flank of 161 Fd Bty RNZA
- c. LEFT Flank of 105 Fd Bty
- d. RIGHT Flank of A Coy

Annex C to 1RAR
R534-1-2 dated 24 Apr 66



SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Annex D

Serial	Time	Event	Word of Command given by	Remarks
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
1.	0810 hrs	a. Tpt conveying tps from other units arrive at Debussing Pt (Bn Car Park). b. Tps debus and move to respective Assembly Areas. c. Vehs move in posn as shown in Annex B.		
2.	0830 hrs	a. Tpt posn 2 x trucks at PIERSON FIELD to convey Press to Bn Car Park. b. Tps lined up in Assembly Areas. Offrs in posn.	Coy arrangements	a. Trucks to travel at NO more than 5 MPH to minimize dust. b. White smoke to be shown (TO to arrange.
3.	0835 hrs	Markers called for.	RSM. "Right Markers".	
4.	0840 hrs	Parade marches on.	a. Adj. "Parade will March On, B and Sp Coy leading." b. Sub unit Right Guides (CSMs). (1) "... Coy, by the right/left, Quick March!" (2) "... Coy, Mark Time, - Halt."	Flag orderlies raise the Australian and NEW ZEALAND National Flags.
5.	0843 hrs	Parade advances and dresses.	Adj. a. "Parade - Inwards turn". b. "Parade - Order Arms". c. "Parade - Right dress - Eyes Front".	a. 'A, D, Sp Coys, 161 Fd Bty, 1 APC Tp and 161 Recce Flt RIGHT TURN. Remainder LEFT TURN.
6.	0846 hrs	Coy and Other Unit Commanders posted	Adj. "Commanders - Take post".	a. No salute. b. Commanders march on from the Northern edge of the Parade Ground.

	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
7.	0847 hrs	Parade Commander assumes command.	Parade Commander - "Parade - Stand at - Ease".	
8.	0850 hrs	CG 173d Abn Bde (Sep) arrives.	Parade Commander - "Parade - Attention - Stand at Ease.	a. Escorted by Lt I GUILD.
9.	0850 hrs	Prime Minister arrives at Western Helipad		b. Parade Commander and OC 161 Fd Bty salute.
10.	0855- 0900 hrs	Prime Minister and Official Party arrives	Parade Commander. "Parade Attention - Stand at Ease".	a. Met by CO 1 RAR.
11.	0900 hrs	Warning Gun fired	161 Fd Bty RNZA as applicable	b. Tpt to have 5 x Landrovers positioned by 0845 hrs.
12.	0900- 0930 hrs	Commemorative Service held.		c. VIOLET smoke to be shown by RP.
13.	0930 hrs Approx	Bn Marches Off.	a. Parade Commander "Commanders Fall Out." Then hands over to the Adjt.	a. Escorted by CO 1 RAR.
			b. Adjt "Officers - Fall Out." Then hands over to the RSM.	b. Compliment is given after the introduction of the CG and PM is complete.
			c. RSM "Bn will march off, C Coy leading".	Fired 30 seconds after the Stand at Ease is given in Serial 10.
				a. Commanders salute and move off the Northern edge of the Parade Ground.
				b. (1) Officers salute.
				(2) Those in front of A, D, Sp and Admin Coys and 105 Fd Bty and 1 ALSC LEFT TURN, remainder RIGHT TURN.
				(3) March off the Northern edge of the Parade Ground.
				c. Coy guides (CSMs) give 'Quick March and coys march off in order as per instruction.

CONFIDENTIAL

HELICOPTER LOAD PLAN

Annex 'D' to
HQ AAFV R875:2:45
dated 21 Apr 66

NOTE: Helicopters will be clearly numbered at each loading point.

Date Apr	Reference Itinerary Serial No	Time	HELICOPTERS - HULB AND D AND CHINOOK					
			No 1	No 2	No 3	No 4	No 5	CHINOOK
22					NO HELICOPTERS			
		1100 for visits HQ 2 FFV; 3 Corps; 1 RAR	PM, COMAFV WHITROD, US Protocal Officer	Ambassador NZ Charge, COMNZVF, VN Aide to PM	CGS, ADC to CGS, VN ADC Mil Attache	LAWLER JOCKEL CLUGSTON GIBBS JENNINGS	FITZPATRICK HOBSON EGGLETON COOMBE	Press & Co-ord Staff.
23		1705 for over fly 1 RAR Village project	PM, CGS, COMAFV CO 1 RAR	-	-	-	-	-
		1715 for return from 1 RAR to 120 Avn Co TSN	PM, COMAFV WHITROD, US Protocal Officer	Ambassador NZ Charge COMNZVF, VN Aide to PM	CGS, ADC to CGS, VN ADC Mil Attache	LAWLER JOCKEL CLUGSTON GIBBS JENNINGS	FITZPATRICK HOBSON EGGLETON COOMBE	Press & Co-ord Staff.
24					NO HELICOPTERS			
25		0835 for 1 RAR and return to 120 Avn Co TSN	PM, COMAFV WHITROD, US Protocal Officer	Ambassador NZ Charge COMNZVF, VN Aide to PM,	CGS, ADC to CGS, VN Aide to CGS	LAWLER JOCKEL CLUGSTON GIBBS	EGGLETON JENNINGS Mil Attache Air Attache COOMBE	Press etc.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Annex E to AAFV Instruction
R875-2-45 of 21 Apr 66.

CAR SEATING

APRIL 22nd	CAR						
	Time	No 1	No 2	No 3	No 4	No 5	No 6
	1130	PM AMB WHITROD VN ADC	CGS COMAAFV VN ADC	LAWLER JOCKEL CLUGSTON	JENNINGS EGGLETON	GIBBS COOMBE	FITZPATRICK
	p.m. HOURS		See Australian Embassy Itinerary.				
	EVENING		See Australian Embassy Itinerary.				
APRIL 23rd	0830 arrive FWMAQ	PM AMB WHITROD VN ADC	CGS ADC VN ADC	LAWLER JOCKEL CLUGSTON	JENNINGS EGGLETON	GIBBS COOMBE	N/A
	0930 depart for MACV 1	As Above <u>NOTE:</u> COMAAFV travels in own car.	As Above	As Above	N/A	N/A	N/A
	1050 depart MACV 1	As Above <u>NOTE:</u> COMAAFV joined by US Protocol officer in his car.	As Above	As Above	N/A	N/A	N/A
	1120 Arrive 2 F Force Helipad	As Above	As Above Less ADC Plus COMAAFV	As Above	JENNINGS EGGLETON ADC to CGS	GIBBS COOMBE Mil Attache	NZ Charge COMNZF US Protocol
	1525 depart 1RAR 1552 depart 161 Bty 1650 depart 105 Bty	As Above	CGS COMAAFV VN ADC	NZ Charge COMNZF US Protocol	LAWLER JOCKEL CLUGSTON	JENNINGS EGGLETON ADC to CGS	GIBBS COOMBE Mil Attache
	1745 120 Avn Co depart	As Above Less AMB <u>NOTE:</u> Ambassador, COMAAFV, NZ Charge, COMNZF and US Protocol Officer in own cars.	CGS ADC VN ADC	LAWLER JOCKEL CLUGSTON	JENNINGS EGGLETON	GIBBS COOMBE Mil Attache	FITZPATRICK HOBSON
	1900 For dinner	PM WHITROD VN ADC	CGS ADC VN ADC	JOCKEL LAWLER CLUGSTON	--	--	--
APRIL 24th	0805 arrive TSN	PM WHITROD VN ADC <u>NOTE:</u> COMAAFV joins party in own car at TSN.	As Above	As Above	JENNINGS EGGLETON	GIBBS COOMBE	N/A
	0900 for HQ RAAF and subsequent road movt to RAAF qrs and R&C Centre	PM AMB WHITROD VN ADC	CGS COMAAFV VN ADC	LAWLER JOCKEL CLUGSTON	JENNINGS EGGLETON ADC to CGS	GIBBS COOMBE Mil Attache	As Required

1315 for VUNG TAU

CONFIDENTIAL

- 2 -

Annex E to AAFV Instruction
R875-2-45 of 21 Apr 66.

CAR						
Time	No 1	No 2	No 3	No 4	No 5	No 6
<u>1315</u> for VUNG TAU airport	AS ABOVE		AS ABOVE		AS ABOVE	
<u>1405</u> for Hospital and subsequent car movement to 1545		AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY ARRANGEMENT.				
<u>1625</u> for 3 US Fd Hosp and/or accommodation	PM WHITROD VN ADC NOTE: 1.	CGS ADC VN ADC	LAWLER JOCKEL CLUGSTON	JENNINGS EGGLETON COOMBE	GIBBS	FITZPATRICK HOBSON
	2.	COMAAFV uses own car. This and cars 1,2 and 5 only proceed to 3 Fd Hosp. Ambassador uses own car with Air Attache.				
<u>1945</u> for PM Dinner	PM WHITROD VN ADC	CGS ADC VN ADC	LAWLER JOCKEL CLUGSTON	N/A	GIBBS	N/A
APRIL 25th	<u>0820</u> for TSN	As Above	As Above	As Above	JENNINGS EGGLETON MA to CGS	GIBBS COOMBE N/A
	<u>1015</u> for residence and Press conference	PM AMB WHITROD VN ADC NOTE: 1.	CGS ADC VN ADC	LAWLER JOCKEL CLUGSTON	EGGLETON JENNINGS MA to CGS	GIBBS COOMBE FITZPATRICK HOBSON
		2.	COMAAFV - own car. AMB car - Mil Attache Air Attache.			
	<u>1130</u> for TSN	AS ABOVE ALL DETAIL.		AS ABOVE ALL DETAIL.		

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Annex F to AAFV Instruction
R875-2-45 of 21 Apr 66.

VISIT OF PRIME MINISTER OF AUSTRALIA

ACCOMMODATION

State Guest House - No 5 BACH, DANG, SAIGON.

1. The Prime Minister.
2. Mr A. J. LAWLER.
3. Mr G. A. JOCKEL.
4. Mr C. W. CLUGSTON.
5. Mr G. S. WHITROD.
6. Mr F. W. JENNINGS.
7. Mr T. EGGLETON.

Caravelle Hotel

1. Lt Gen Sir JOHN WILTON.
2. Maj K. R. HUTCHISON.
3. Capt B. H. MITCHELL.

Majestic Hotel

1. Dr W. T. GIBBS.
2. Inspector S. COOMBE.
3. Mr FITZPATRICK.
4. Mr F. HOBSON.

CONFIDENTIAL

SECRET

PEAR

BERRY

PLUM

YT	ZT
YS	ZS

ZT	AN
ZS	AM

ORANGE

NO FIRE ZONE

PEACH

"B" APPLE

ANNEX A (OPN O/L TO OPORD 4-66)

COPY NO _____
 HQ 173rd ABN BDE (SEP)
 BIEN HOA, RVN
 071600H APR 66
 CHR

"A" GRAPE

BSOC

LEMON

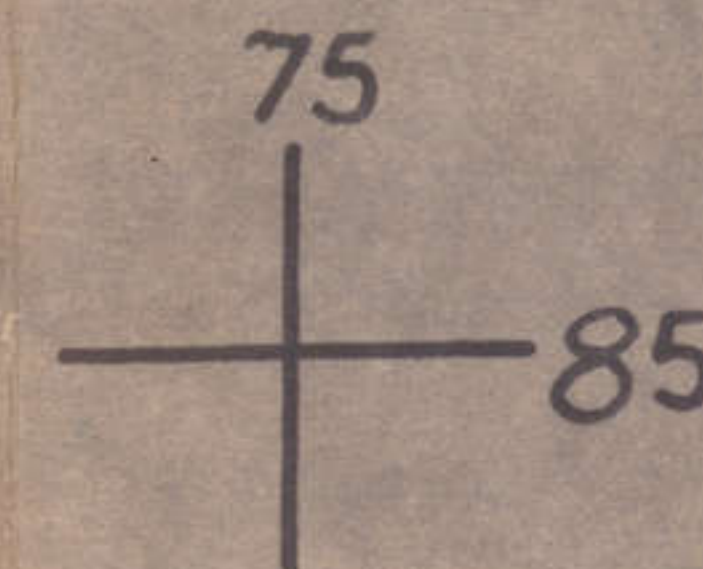
ACKNOWLEDGE

SMITH
BRIG GEN

DISTRIBUTION: ANNEX Z

OFFICAL
Christenson
CHRISTENSON
C3

SECRET



SECRET

①

1 RAR
BIEN HOA
11 Apr 66

OpO 8/66 (Op DENVER)

G733

References: A. Maps VIETNAM, 1:50,000, 6346II, 6345I, 6346I, 6445IV, 6446III, 6446IV.

b. Airphotograph mosaic (issued)

1. Situation.

a. Enemy Forces. Annex A - Intelligence (issued)

b. Friendly Forces.

(1) 173 AB Bde conducts search and destroy operation (Opord 5-66 Op Denver) in area of PHUOC BINH (SONG BE)(YU 1507) during 9 - 24 Apr 66.

(2) One bn 1st Inf Div assumes responsibility 173 AB Bde TAOR BIEN HOA from 111200 hrs Apr 66.

(3) IIF FORCE V provides fixed wing and hel sp for operation.

c. Atts and Dets.

(1) Detached from 2/503 to under comd 1 RAR from arrival at airfield at SONG BE. FAC Team USAF RRU team

(2) In DS for operation. 161 Field Bty RNZA.

2. Mission. 1 RAR Gp is to conduct search and destroy ops in the allocated AO from 13 Apr 66 to 22 Apr 66.

3. Execution

a. General Outline. The op is to be conducted in 4 phases.

(1) Phase 1. Move of Bn Gp to SONG BE airfield (143701), (Nickname PLASTIC BAG).

(2) Phase 2. Deployment on PLASTIC BAG.

(3) Phase 3. Search and destroy operations.

(4) Phase 4. Extraction from Op area.

b. A Coy

(1) Grouping.

(a) Remaining under comd. MFC med asst.

(b) Under comd from 1700 hrs 12 Apr. *Interpreter (Sgt WELSH) three SBs. FO team 105 Field Bty RAA.

(2) Tasks.

(a) Phase 1. First coy in order of mov.

(b) Phase 2. RV on PLASTIC BAG as shown in Annex P.

(c) Phase 3 and 4. On order.

SECRET

.... / 2. (c) B Coy.

c. B Coy.

(1) Grouping.

- (a) Remaining under comd MFC
Med asst
Interpreter ARVN.
- (b) Under comd from 1700 hrs three SBs
12 Apr FO team 161 Field Bty
RNZA.

(2) Tasks.

- (a) Phase 1. Second coy in order of mov.
- (b) Phase 2. RV on PLASTIC BAG as shown in Annex P.
- (c) Phase 3 and 4. On order.

d. C Coy.

(1) Grouping.

- (a) Remaining under comd. MFC
med asst.
- (b) Under comd from 1700 hrs three SBs
12 Apr 66. FO team 161 Field Bty
RNZA.

(2) Tasks.

- (a) Phase 1. Third coy in order of mov after Bn HQ
- (b) Phase 2. RV on PLASTIC BAG as shown in Annex P.
- (c) Phase 3 and 4. On order.

e. D Coy.

(1) Grouping.

- (a) Remaining under comd. MFC
Med asst.
- (b) Under comd from 1700 hrs three SBs
12 Apr 66. FO Party 161 Field Bty
RNZA.

(2) Tasks.

- (a) Phase 1. Fourth coy in order of mov.
- (b) Phase 2. RV on PLASTIC BAG as shown in Annex P.
- (c) Phase 3 and 4. On order.

f. Mor Pl

(1) Grouping.

- (a) MFCs with rifle coys.
- (b) One sect remains BIEN HOA.
- (c) One sect under comd 1 APC Tp from Phase 2 (Barrels remain in APC for air move).
- (d) One sect with Bn HQ.

SECRET

- 3 -

- (2) Tasks. Provide mor sp within range.
- g. Aslt Pnr Pl.
- (1) Tasks.
- (a) Move with and protect Bn HQ.
- (b) Be prep to assist rifle coys in pnr tasks.
- h. Anti Tank Pl. Move with and protect Bn HQ.
- j. 1 APC Tp (PWLH).
- (1) Grouping. Under comd from commencement Phase 2. One mor sect.
- (2) Tasks.
- (a) Phase 1. Move by C-130 to PLASTIC BAG, (17 ac).
- (b) Phase 2. RV on PLASTIC BAG as shown in Annex P.
- (c) Phase 3 and 4. On order.
- k. Coord instrs.
- (1) Timings. Sequence of Events. Annex B.
- (2) D day. 13 Apr 66.
- (3) H hr. 0750 hrs D day.
- (4) Bdys, Sectors, AO. To be issued at PLASTIC BAG.
- (5) Rules of Engagement. SOP.
- (6) Dress and Recognition. SOP
- (7) VCC, En docus. SOP.
- (8) Reports. SOP
- (9) Coord Conference. A coord conference/orders gp is to be held after the Bn Gp has closed at PLASTIC BAG. The RV for this conference is shown in Annex P. Time to be advised (see also serial 19 Annex B).
- (10) Clearing patrols. When within the bn perimeter move anti-clockwise.
- (11) Stand To timings.
- (a) 1915 hrs daily.
- (b) 0615 hrs daily.
- (12) Curfew. Curfew in the SONG BE area is from 1900 hrs to 0600 hrs.
- (13) Fire Plan. To be issued at PLASTIC BAG.
- (14) Order of move by Air.
- (a) By C-130. A Echelon, 1 APC Tp (20 sorties C-130).
- (b) By CH - 47. Bn HQ (-) (72).

SECRET

.... /4. (c) By UH - ID.

SECRET

- 4 -

(c) By UH - ID. A, B, C, D Coys (loading 6 per hel).

(i) 1st lift A (97), B (105), Bn HQ Tac incl
mor pl (-) (38).

(ii) 2nd lift Bn HQ (-)(30), C(105), D(105)

(15) AGS. Annex C.

4. Administration and Logistics.

a. A Ech. To be estb at PLASTIC BAG on D day.

b. B Ech. Remains BIEN HOA.

c. Resup.

(1) All resup by air.

(2) First resup afternoon D + 1.

d. Rat.

(1) Two days on the soldier.

(2) Two days res to be maint by A Ech from D + 1.

(3) Hot evening meals can be expected each second day.

e. Water. All local water used is to be sterilized and filtered.

f. Med.

(1) SBs and Med assts with coys.

(2) RAP with Bn HQ.

(3) DUSTOFF. SOP.

(4) Anti mite. All clothing to be treated.

(5) Anti Malaria. Paludrine twice daily. Nets and repellent to be used.

g. Clothing. Sect Kit bags.

(1) One with A Ech.

(2) One with RQMS B Ech.

h. Ammo.

(1) SAA. SOP

(2) Mor.

(a) APC. Basic load.

(b) Sect with Bn HQ. 20 rds HE.

(3) M72. SOP.

(4) Coloured Smoke. SOP.

(5) Marker Balloons. SOP.

j. Local Purchasing. No local purchases are to be made.

SECRET

.... / 5. k. Strength

SECRET

- 5 -

- k. Strength Returns. Op strength and nominal roll of rear details to be fwd to adjt by 1600 hrs D - 1.
- m. Rear Details. Coy Rear details are to be as detailed in SOPRAs. Coys are to ensure that rear parties are fit and aval, and at a min str as shown in SOPRAs.

5. Command and Signal.

a. Bn HQ.

- (1) Bn HQ is to move in two groups.
- (a) Tac Party after B Coy in UH - ID.
- (b) Bn HQ (-) by CH - 47.

b. Signal.

(1) Radio.

- (a) Codes. SOI items 20 - 14 and 25 - 14, KAC code HE - 744 and JJ 1114 are in effect. Amdts issued separately.
- (b) Nets. Annex D.
- (c) Netting. Bn Comd net is to open at 130540H. Admin log net (R A Sigs) is to open on estb of Bn LOC.

(2) Line.

- (a) Rifle Coys. Coys are to carry one Tele K and 1 reel unit CE11 filled.
- (b) Bn HQ. SOP.
- (c) Sig Pl. One dispenser of D10 is to be carried. A bn res of 8 dispensers is to be carried fwd and held by LOC.

c. Summary of Nicknames.

Serial	Nickname	Meaning	Issued By
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
1.	PHAR LAP	Move or am moving	Bn HQ
2.	DIVING BOARD	Prepare to move	
3.	CLUB CHAIR	Have reorg or am in a defensive position	
4.	CANVAS BACK	Stand Down	
5.	DICK TRACY	ARVN/PF	
6.	SUMMER SAND	Clearing Patrols in	
7.	HEAVY PAINT	Standing Patrol	
8.	SHARP WORLD	Ambush Patrol	
9.	PLASTIC BAG	Airfield at 142071	
10.	DRESDEN DOLL	Mountain NUJ BA RA (1807)	
11.	LONG JUMP	River SONG BE	
12.	SQUARE DANCE	Road BU TRON (1208) - AP PHUOC SON (1504)	
13.	POGO STICK	Road BU CO (0803) - BU KROAI (1608)	
14.	BLINKY BILL (followed by time and location)	Orders Group/Coord conference	

- (2) Subunit nicknames. Subunits are to request nicknames prior to and during the op from Int Sec Bn HQ.

SECRET

.... / 6. d. Q Hr

SECRET

- 6 -

- d. Q hr. Q hr for the operation is 0600 hrs.
- e. Points of Origin.

Serial	Time	Points of Origin
(a)	(b)	(c)
1.	100600-110600	COUNTRY 1308, BOY 1505, FISH 1709.
2.	110600-120600	GIRL 1406, CAR 1009, DOG 1403.
3.	120600-130600	COLOUR 1410, CITY 1006, BOY 1705.
4.	130600-140600	RIVER 1799, TREE 0910, FISH 1103.
5.	140600-150600	COUNTRY 1208, COLOUR 0602, BOY 1501.
6.	150600-160600	FRUIT 0708, CAR 1005, CITY 1396.
7.	160600-170600	DOG 1797, FISH 0706, TREE 0208.
8.	170600-180600	GIRL 1202, RIVER 1796, COLOUR 0610.
9.	180600-190600	OCEAN 1503, CAR 0700, DOG 1999.
10.	190600-200600	FRUIT 1099, CITY 0709, TREE 1505.
11.	200600-210600	SPORT 1499, COUNTRY 0505, BOY 1309.
12.	210600-220600	BEER 1206, COLOUR 0701, FISH 1997.
13.	220600-230600	GIRL 1099, STATE 0606, CAR 1305.

- f. Passwords. To be advised.
- g. Synchronization.
 - (1) Pre Op. A time check is to be sent at 130640 hrs.
 - (2) During Op. A time check is to be sent daily by radio at approx 0715 hrs.

A.V.PREECE.
Lt Col,
CO 1 RAR.

ACK

- Annexes. A. Intsum - issued.
B. Sequence of Events.
C. AGS
D. Radio Diagram.
P. Diagram of assy area at PLASTIC BAG.

Distr. Att.

Authentication.

[Signature]
Maj, OC Sp Coy, 1 RAR.

SECRET

SECRET

- 7 -

DISTRIBUTION

Copy number incl Annexes

A Coy	1
B Coy	2
C Coy	3
D Coy	4
Sp Coy	5
Admin Coy	6-7
Mor Pl	8-9
Sig Pl	10
Aslt Pnr Pl	11
Anti Tank Pl	12
1 APC Tp RAAC (PWLH)	13
105 Field Bty RAA	14
161 Field Bty RNZA	15-19
3/319 Arty Bn	20
145 Sig Sqn	21
RRU	22
FAC, USAF	23
HQ, 173 AB Bde	24-25
CO	26
2IC	27
OC Sp Coy (S3)	28
Adjt (S1)	29
IO (S2)	30
Asst Adjt (Asst S3)	31-32
Int Sect	33
RSM	34
HQ AAFV	35
Comds Diary	36-38
File	39
Spare	40-46

SECRET

SECRET

Annex B to 1 RAR
OpO 8/66 dated
11 Apr 66

SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Serial	Time	Event
(a)	(b)	(c)
1	120900	Orders Group (Bn CP Area).
2	121630	SUEOs Conference (Bn CP Area).
3	130540	Radio net opens.
4	130600	a. Veh convoy arrives for 1st UH - ID (A and B Coys) and CH - 47 lift (Bn HQ (-)). b. SUEOs depart for SNAKE PIT.
5	130605	Veh loading commences 1st lift.
6	130615	1st lift vehs depart for SNAKE PIT.
7	130635	1st lift vehs arrive SNAKE PIT.
8	130655	1st lift UH - ID loads in helo. (40)
9	130700	a. 1st lift UH - ID departs for PLASTIC BAG. b. Bn HQ (-) loads in CH - 47 at SNAKE PIT. c. A Ech loading in C-130 ac commences. Ac leaves when loaded and shuttles BIEN HOA - PLASTIC BAG until lift A Ech/ 1 APC Tp completed.
10	130715	CH - 47 (two) (Bn HQ (-)) departs.
11	130750	H hr. 1st lift lands PLASTIC BAG.
12	130800	a. Vehs arr Bn area for 2nd lift (C and D Coys) Bn HQ (-). b. CH - 47 (two) lands PLASTIC BAG.
13	130805	2nd lift commence veh loading in Bn area.
14	130815	2nd lift vehs depart for SNAKE PIT.
15	130835	2nd lift arrives SNAKE PIT.
16	130855	2nd lift loads in UH - ID. (40)
17	130900	2nd lift departs for PLASTIC BAG.
18	130950	2nd lift lands PLASTIC BAG.
19	13 (to be advised)	Coord conference/orders group at PLASTIC BAG.

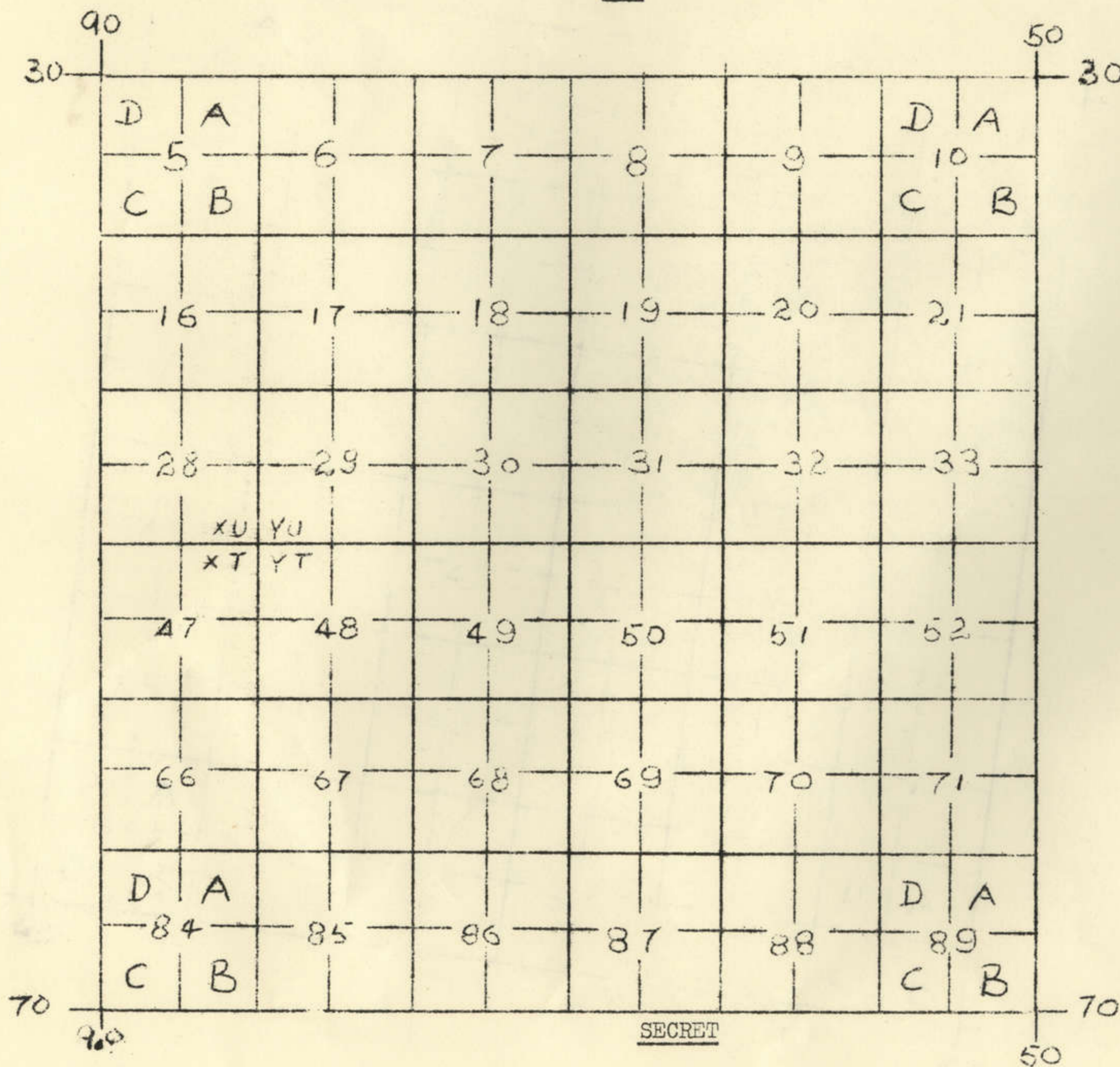
SECRET

SECRET

Page 1 of 2 pages

AGS

Annex C to
1 RAR OpO 8/66
dated 11 Apr 66

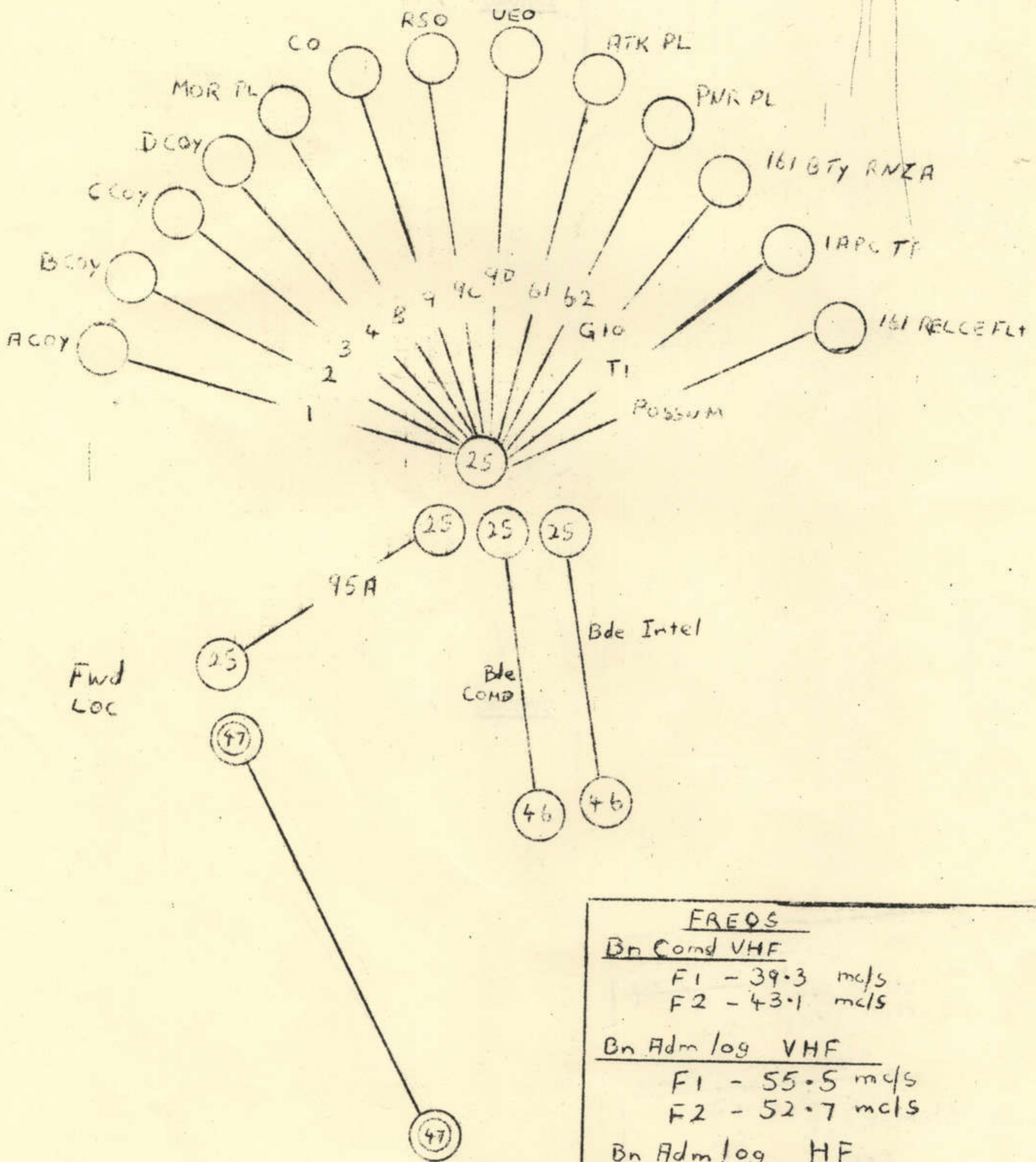


XU 90 30	1	2	3	4	5	95 30
	6	7	8	9	10	
	11	12	13	14	15	
	16	17	18	19	20	
	21	22	23	24	25	
25 XU 90						25 95

SECRET

RADIO DIAGRAM

Annex D to
1 RAR OpO 8/66
dated 11 Apr 66



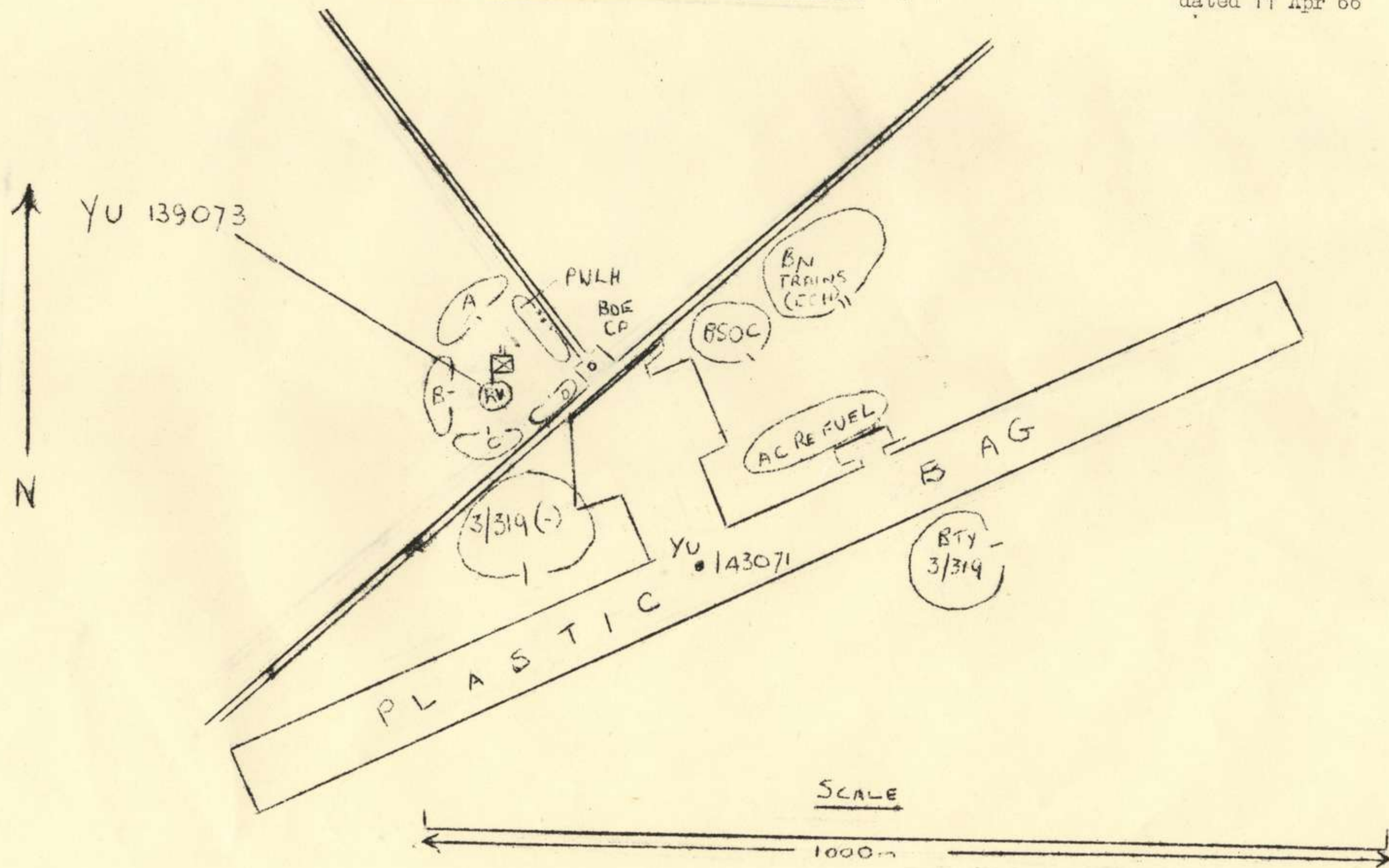
<u>FREQS</u>	
<u>Bn Comd VHF</u>	
F1 -	39.3 mcs
F2 -	43.1 mcs
<u>Bn Adm log VHF</u>	
F1 -	55.5 mcs
F2 -	52.7 mcs
<u>Bn Adm log HF</u>	
F1 -	3519 Kc/s
F2 -	3780 Kc/s
F3 -	7715 Kc/s
F4 -	8615 Kc/s
<u>Bde Comd</u>	<u>42.3 Mcs</u>
<u>Bde Intel</u>	<u>57.1 Mcs</u>
<u>AUTH</u>	<u>M J C 12/4</u>

SECRET

SECRET

DIAGRAM SHOWING ASSY AREA AT PLASTIC BAG

Annex P to
1 RAR OpO 8/66
dated 11 Apr 66



SECRET

IRAR BG. (5)

071

SECRET

Copy No.....

HQ AAFV

SAIGON

20 0800Z APR 66

OPS5330



OO No J1 (Op HARDIHOOD)

Maps :- 1 : 50,000 US Army Map Service - PHUOC TUY Province

Time Zone : HOTEL

1. SIT

a. En Forces

(1) Two VC regts are reported to op in PHUOC TUY Province. They are the 94 Regt aka DONG NAI Regt op in the WESTERN half of the province and the 5 Regt aka 275 Regt op in the NORTH EAST. Recent friendly ops in the province have so far only made contact with local VC resistance. These ops may have forced VC main force units to withdraw to more secure bases.

(2) Topo : Main routes in PHUOC TUY Province are National Hwy 15 and Interprovincial Route 2. Hwy 15 is a sealed rd trafficable throughout the year. Early in 1965 VC destroyed bridges along route 15 but these have now been repaired. VC interdiction is possible at any time and all movement must have at least battalion strength escort. Interprovincial route 2 is a second class laterite road which will break up under heavy traffic in the wet season. Bridges North of AP LONG XUYEN to XUAN LOC have been destroyed by VC but temporary crossings suitable for dry season operations have been installed. Major natural features are NUI DINH hills (3365) and NUI CAAU VIEN (4750) both areas are reputed VC base areas.

(3) MET : The SOUTH WEST MONSOON season starts in late April and runs through to early November. Rainfall is NOT continuous but one or two periods of hy rain lasting up to two hours can be expected daily. Scouring of rds and tracks and freshly broken earth during the wet season requires daily engineer effort. The temperature range while NOT high causes discomfort when coupled with high humidity.

(4) Vegetation : Most of the province is covered with medium thickness jungle; in most places this is NOT as concentrated as the primary jungle of MALAYA. Cultivated areas are mainly rice paddy or rubber plantation. The rice paddy is filled with water during the growing season from late May through to harvest in December/January. In the dry season paddy is suitable for bivouac, helipad or artillery sites.

(5) Population : The bulk of the population is buddhist and lives in the SOUTH EAST of the province and along the coast. About 25% are NORTH VIETNAMESE Catholics who were resettled by the late president DIEM following the signing of the Geneva Accords. The Catholics, a small number of CAO DAI and HOA HAO are allegedly pro government. About the same number are anti government, leaving approx 50% of the population uncommitted, although almost all of these are under control of, and responsive to, the VC local government infra structure. GVN troops can NOT anticipate assistance from locals on operations of short duration.

(6) VUNG TAU Special Zone : The area of VUNG TAU Penisular (Cap St. JACQUES) has now been designated a special zone, with the Mayor of VUNG TAU gaining equal status to a province chief. The Mayor and the province chief PHUOC TUY, are both subject to Comd 10 ARVN Div one of the three divisions in III CTZ. The road from VUNG TAU to BARIA is sealed and trafficable. Movement along this road suffers interference but normal precautions should be taken.

2/.....b. Friendly Forces

SECRET

b. Friendly Forces

(1) Australian Forces : At present NO Australian combat troops are in PHUOC TUY Province. 1 RAR completed op ABILENE in the BINH BA area in April 1966. In VUNG TAU 3 Fd Tp RAE are working on the projected Logistic Support Group Area. The Australian R & C Centre is located in the township and the RAAF Transport Flight operates from VUNG TAU Airstrip.

(2) United States Forces : NO US Combat forces are in PHUOC TUY Province. A Large Logistic base is being developed on the VUNG TAU Peninsula.

(3) ARVN Forces : One battalion of Regional Force troops is available to the Province Chief. In addition one or more battalions may be located in the BARIA National Training Centre. Normal Sector and Sub Sector Staffs with US Advisers are deployed. There is an RF/PF Training Centre at XA LONG HAI.

c. Atts and Dets

(1) 1 Australian Task Force (1 ATF) units come under comd COMAFV on arrival in VIETNAM.

(2) At a time to be advised, subsequent to 6 Jun, units will come under comd, Comd 1 ATF, in the BARIA area.

(3) 1 Australian Logistic Support Group (1 ALSG) units come under comd COMAFV on arrival in VIETNAM. They will come under comd HQ 1 ALSG on date of arrival in the Log Sp base area, after 23 Apr 66.

(4) AATTV remains unchanged.

(5) 1 ALSC is absorbed by 1 ALSG and elms 1 ALSC come under command 1 ALSG from time of arrival in the Log Base Area at VUNG TAU.

(6) RAAF units will come under comd COMAFV from time of arrival in VIETNAM.

(7) RAAF units already in VIETNAM will come under comd COMAFV at a time to be advised.

(8) 2 US Fd Force V and USARV provide support for operation HARDIHOOD as detailed at Annex 'A'.

2. MSN

To relieve 1 RAR Group and to receive, stage and deploy the Australian Force in VIETNAM by 23 Jun 66.

3. EXEC

a. General Outline

(1) Grouping at Annex 'B'.

(2) Proposed locations at trace P.

(3) The op will be conducted in seven phases:-

a. Phase 1. : The reception and briefing of Advance Parties.

b. Phase 2. : The reception of charter AC at TAN SON NHUT and transfer of soldiers and cargo to Military AC for move to VUNG TAU.

c. Phase 3. : The reception of Military AC at VUNG TAU and the move of soldiers and cargo to either the staging area or Logistic Support Group area.

d. Phase 4. : The reception, unloading and passage of cargo and

personnel through a beach terminal, transit area to either staging areas or logistic stores areas.

e. Phase 5. : The RTA of 1 RAR;

f. Phase 6. : The move of units of 1 RAR BG remaining in country from BIEN HOA to VUNG TAU or BARIA.

g. Phase 7. : The move of 1 ATF from the staging area at VUNG TAU to the TF base area at BARIA.

(4) A sequence of events is shown at Annex 'C'.

(5) A summary of arrivals is shown at Annex 'D'.

b. HQ AFV

(1) Receives and briefs Advance Party arriving 20 Apr 66. Accommodates members remaining in .IGON. Co-ordinates transport for members by air to VUNG TAU, provides transport for members by road to BIEN HOA.

(2) Provides liaison to USARV at TAN SON NHUT, VUNG TAU Beach, Transit Area, Log Area, during operation HARDIHOOD.

(3) Provides Liaison to 2 F Force V at LONG BIEN, at a time to be advised.

(4) Provides pay facilities at points of entry for all arrivals.

(5) Co-ordinates RTA 1 RAR.

(6) Guides and initial brief for new arrivals.

(7) Provides staging area.

c. HQ 1 ATF

(1) Moves to Staging Area on order and prepares to:-

a. Co-ordinates the in-Country training for arriving units.

b. Provides liaison to 173 AB Bde, (US)

c. In conjunction with 173 AB Bde (US) and AFV plans and executes the occupation of the BARIA base by 1 ATF.

d. Passes operational control of 5 RAR to 173 AB Bde on 23 May 66.

e. On order accepts operational direction from 2 F Force V.

d. HQ 1 ALSG

(1) Establishes Logistic Support base at VUNG TAU.

(2) Provides log support to 173 AB Bde for maint of Aust units from the date of arrival 5 RAR at BARIA area.

(3) Absorbs 1 ALSG progressively.

e. 1 RAR BG

(1) On 24 May 66 passes unit, sub units and soldiers NOT RTA to ~~under~~ comd 5 RAR.

4/.... (2) On order passes

SECRET

- 4 -

(2) On order passes unit stores to 6 RAR.

(3) Prepares for RTA.

(4) RTA 31 May - 14 Jun 66.

f. 1 ALSG

(1) Supports 1 RAR until 12 Jun 66.

(2) Passes elms to 1 ALSG.

(3) Provides engr sp to 3 Fd Tp RAE.

(4) Main body commences to move from BIEN HOA to VUNG TAU by LSM Clive Steele on 8 May 66.

g. 3 Fd Tp RAE

(1) Prepares staging area.

(2) On 20 May passes under comd 5 RAR.

(3) Assists with rationing and quartering of advance parties.

h. 145 Sig Sqn

Provides comms sp for op HARDIHOOD.

j. 103 Sig Sqn

Supports 145 Sig Sqn.

k. Co-ord Instrs

(1) Timings (see Annex 'G').

(2) From and incl 26 Apr 66, daily sitreps as at 1700 hrs are to be submitted to HQ AFV to arrive NOT later than 1900 hrs. Sitreps from 1 ATF, 1 ALSG and 11 MC Gp are required.

(3) GSO3 HQ AFV is to receive all reports on Op and keep info board in conference room posted.

(4) Liaison visits : Travel between SAIGON and VUNG TAU will be arranged through GSO3 HQ AFV. Bookings received after 1200 hrs on the day prior to travel cannot be guaranteed.

(5) Security

a. The areas to be secured are:-

Transit area
Staging area
Log area

Security measures for all areas co-ord by ALSG. Tps are to be allotted to this task on the basis that VC attack is most unlikely but pilferage or terrorist acts are probable. In particular units are to watch for contamination of food or water. Grenades or Claymores may be used. NO civilian is permitted to enter any troop or stores area. All vehicles arriving in the area from an unsecured area are to be thoroughly checked. NO vehicle is to be left unattended away from unit transport lines. ~~A copy of Force Security instructions are attached at Annex 'F'.~~

5/....b. VUNG TAU City

SECRET

SECRET

- 5 -

b. VUNG TAU City is out of bounds. HQ 1 ALSG, HQ 1 TF and HQ Staging Area are to issue passes to persons requiring to enter VUNG TAU City on official duty.

c. Safety

(1) Live Ammunition. All soldiers are to be warned of dangers inherent to live ammo. Attached as Annex 'g' are SOPs for loaded weapons.

(2) Beach Safety - VUNG TAU. Orders for beach safety VUNG TAU are attached as Annex 'h'.

4. ADM AND LOG

Issued separately.

5. COMD AND SIG

a. Loc and move of HQ.

(1) HQ AFV - 12 TRAN QUOC TOAN - ARVN Dial 60862
SAIGON DEER 237

(2) HQ 1 ATF

- a. With AFV until opening of the Staging Area
- b. Opens staging area 20 May 66, approximately.
- c. Opens BARIA NOT later than 23 Jun 66.

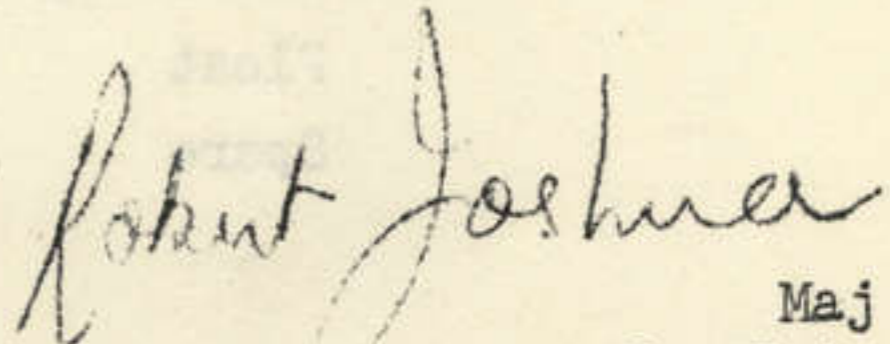
(3) HQ 1 ALSG - Opens VUNG TAU Log area - 23 Apr 66
(4) HQ Staging area opens 25 Apr 66.

b. Liaison. Direct liaison between headquarters and units is authorized but all arrangements made must be notified to HQ AFV in the SITREP.

c. Communications. See Signal Plan attached as annex 'f'.

d. PR Policy. Attached as annex 'j'.

ACK



Maj
for Brig
COMAFV

ANXS 'A' - US Support to Op HARDIHOOD
'B' - Groupings
'C' - Sequence of Events
'D' - Summary of arrivals
'E' - Timings - Deleted, See Annex 'C'
'F' - Signal Plan
'G' - SOPs for Loaded weapons
'H' - Beach Safety - VUNG TAU
'J' - PR Policy (to be issued separately)

TRACES 'P' - Proposed Locations

6/.....Distribution

SECRET

SECRET

- 6 -

<u>DISTRIBUTION</u>	<u>NO OF COPIES</u>	<u>COPY NO</u>
HQ 1 ATF	(25)	1 - 25
HQ 1 ALSG	(35)	26 - 60
HQ RAAF Component	(5)	61 - 65
3 Fd Tp RAE	(1)	66
145 Sig Sqn	(4)	67 - 70
1 RAR BG	(5)	71 - 75
1 ALSG	(5)	76 - 80
MACV - J1	(1)	81
- J2	(1)	82
- J3	(1)	83
- J4	(1)	84
- J5	(1)	85
- J6	(1)	86
USARV	(4)	87 - 90
1st Log Comd	(2)	91 - 92
F Force V 2	(4)	93 - 96
173 AB Bde (US)	(4)	97 - 100
COMAFV	(1)	101
DEPCOMAFV	(1)	102
G Branch HQ AFV	(5)	103 - 107
A Branch HQ AFV	(3)	108 - 110
Q Branch HQ AFV	(4)	111 - 114
Engrs	(2)	115 - 116
HQ Comdt, HQ AFV	(2)	117 - 118
11 MC Gp	(2)	119 - 120
File	(2)	121 - 122
War Diary	(2)	123 - 124
Float	(1)	125
Spare	(25)	126 - 150

SECRET

SECRET

Annex 'A'
to HQ AAFV
OO No J1
of 200300Z Apr 66

General Plan for Deployment of the 1st Australian Task Force in VIETNAM (Short Title - OPERATION HARDIHOOD (U))(S)

1. (S) SITUATION:

a. For enemy and friendly information, see current intelligence summaries and situation reports.

b. Assumptions.

(1) The 1st Australian Task Force (1 ATF) consisting of Task Force Headquarters, two infantry battalions, one artillery battalion (-), Special Air Service Squadron and associated combat and logistical support units will arrive RVN during the period 26 Apr - 30 Jun.

(2) Personnel, individual equipment and a small amount of cargo will arrive RVN by air at TAN SON NHUT Airbase and will then be airlifted to VUNG TAU. Remaining equipment and supplies will arrive through the port of VUNG TAU.

(3) Port priority for discharge of equipment will be given to the 1 ATF.

(4) The advance party for the 1 ATF will arrive RVN by air 2 - 3 weeks prior to the main body.

2. (S) MISSION: USMACV receives, debarks and processes the 1st Australian Task Force and equipment through the aerial/surface ports of TAN SON NHUT and VUNG TAU and deploys the Task Force to designated initial tactical deployment areas during the period 26 Apr - 30 Jun 66.

3. (S) EXECUTION:

a. Concept. During the period 26 Apr - 30 Jun 66 the 1 ATF will arrive through the aerial/surface ports of TAN SON NHUT and VUNG TAU, be moved to a staging area in the vicinity of VUNG TAU and thence to its initial tactical deployment area vicinity BA RIA.

b. Tasks.

(1) CG, USARV, will:

(a) Receive personnel and limited amounts of equipment of the 1 ATF at TAN SON NHUT Airbase and arrange necessary airlift to move the 1 ATF and their equipment to VUNG TAU.

(b) Debark the bulk of the supplies and equipment of the 1 ATF through the port of VUNG TAU.

(c) Move the 1 ATF from VUNG TAU to the staging area. Provide security and traffic control for such movement.

(d) Assist COMAAFV in the operation of the staging area as required.

(e) In coordination with COMAAFV, provide necessary transportation support to move the 1 ATF from the staging area to the initial tactical deployment area.

(f) Consolidate and review real estate requirements and forward to COMUSMACV for acquisition.

(g) Provide communications support for reception and deployment of the 1 ATF, assisted as required by COMAAFV and CG, II FFORCEV.

2/....(h) Submit daily

SECRET

SECRET

- 2 -

(h) Submit daily SITREP to MACV Command Center on arrival of personnel, vehicles and equipment as of 1800H commencing 2 May.

(2) COMAAFV, will:

(a) Operate staging area for the 1 ATF.

(b) In coordination with CG, USARV, provide necessary transportation support to move the 1 ATF from the staging area to the initial tactical deployment area.

(3) CG, II FFRCEV, will:

(a) Secure the staging area in the vicinity of VUNG TAU.

(b) Move the 1 ATF from the staging area to the initial tactical deployment area utilizing available transportation and transportation provided by COMAAFV and CG, USARV.

(c) Provide security for movement of the 1 ATF from the staging area to the initial tactical deployment area.

(d) Secure the initial tactical deployment area until a time agreed upon between COMAAFV and CG, II FFRCEV.

(e) Submit real estate requirements for the 1 ATF to CG, USARV, for forwarding to COMUSMACV for acquisition.

c. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) MAJOR HOLTZ is designated project coordinator for COMUSMACV (COCL2 - Surface Operations, Telephone 40955, Tiger 577).

(2) Direct coordination between commanders concerned is authorized for planning and execution.

4. (U) ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS: Omitted

5. (S) COMMAND AND SIGNAL:

a. Command Relationships. CG, II FFRCEV, assumes operational control of the 1 ATF at a time agreed upon by COMUSMACV and COMAAFV.

b. Signal. To be included in CF, USARV deployment plans.

WESTMORELAND
General

OFFICIAL

TILLSON
J-3

SECRET

SECRET

Annex 'B' to AAFV
OO No J1
of 200300Z Apr 66

GROUPING AUSTRALIAN FORCE
VIETNAM

1. HQ AFV
 - a. Under Command
 - 1 Australian Task Force
 - 1 Australian Logistic Support Group
 - Australian Army Training Team VIETNAM
 - 145 Signal Squadron
 - Field Operational Research Section
 - 1 Australian Rest & Convalescence Centre
 - Headquarters Royal Australian Air Force Component

2. HQ 1 ATF
 - a. Under Command
 - 1 Armoured Personnel Carrier Squadron
 - 1 Field Regiment Artillery
 - 131 Divisional Locating Battery Artillery
 - 1 Field Squadron Engineers
 - 21 Engineer Support Troop
 - 1 Topographical Survey Troop
 - 103 Signal Squadron
 - 5 Bn Royal Australian Regiment
 - 6 Bn Royal Australian Regiment
 - 3 Squadron Special Air Service
 - 1 Division Intelligence Unit
 - 1 Transport Platoon
 - 1 Ordnance Field Park
 - 1 Armoured Personnel Carrier Squadron (Light Aid Detachment (LAD))
 - 1 Field Regiment Artillery LAD
 - 131 Divisional Locating Battery Workshops
 - 1 Field Squadron Engineers Workshops
 - 1 Divisional Cash Office
 - 1 Divisional Provost Unit (MP)
 - b. In direct sp
 - 161 Reconnaissance Flight
 - RAAF Transport Flight (CARIBOU)
 - RAAF Helicopter Flight (IRIQUOIS)

3. HQ 1 ALSG
 - a. Under Command
 - 17 Construction Squadron Engineers
 - 55 Army Engineer Stores Squadron
 - HQ 1 Company Royal Australian Army Service Corps
 - 87 Transport Platoon
 - 21 Supply Platoon
 - 176 Air Despatch Company
 - 2 Field Ambulance
 - 33 Dental Unit
 - 2 Composite Ordnance Depot
 - 101 Field Wksps
 - 1 Supply & Transport Wksps
 - 1 Australian Reinforcement Unit
 - 1 Divisional Postal Unit
 - b. Under Command for Administration
 - 161 Reconnaissance Flight
 - 1 Australian Rest & Convalescence Centre
 - 67 Ground Liaison Section
 - RAAF Component

4. HQ RAAF Component
 - a. Under Command
 - RAAF Transport Flight (CARIBOU)
 - RAAF Helicopter Flight (IRIQUOIS)
 - 67 Ground Liaison Section

SECRET

SECRET

Annex 'C' to
AAFV OO No J1
of 20 0300Z Apr 66SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Serial	Date	Event
1.	20 Apr 66	Charter Flt 1. TF and ALSG Recce Parties arrive.
2.	27 Apr 66	Charter Flt 2. Logistic Advance Parties arrive.
3.	28 Apr 66	Engr Stores commence move from BIEN HOA to VUNG TAU.
4.	29 Apr 66	Charter Flt 3. Elms 5 RAR, Engrs & Log Gp arrive.
5.	30 Apr 66	Courier arrives
6.	1 May 66	Charter Flt 4. Elms 1 APC Sqn, Engrs & 5 RAR arrive.
7.	3 May 66	Charter Flt 5. Engrs & 5 RAR.
8.	4 May 66	HMAS SYDNEY arrives VUNG TAU.
9.	5 May 66	Charter Flt 6. TF Units. 1 RAR Adv party RTA
10.	6 May 66	LSM & John Monash arrives VUNG TAU with Engr Plant.
11.	7 May 66	Charter Flt 7. Elms 5 RAR & Engrs.
12.	9 May 66	Charter Flt 8. 5 RAR
13.	11 May 66	Charter Flt 9. 5 RAR
14.	13 May 66	Charter Flt 10. 5 RAR (Completes 5 RAR in VIETNAM
15.	14 May 66	Courier arrives
16.	15 May 66	Charter Flt 11. TF HQ. 173 AB Bde comences Clearing op BARIA
17.	19 May 66	Charter Flt 12. Arty and Sigs.
18.	21 May 66	Charter Flt 13. Arty.
19.	23 May 66	Charter Flt 14. Arty, 6 RAR & Med
20.	24 May 66	5 RAR relieves 1 RAR at BARIA.
21.	25 May 66	Charter Flt 15. Engr, Int & Med
22.	26 May 66	105 Fd Bty stores move BIEN HOA to VUNG TAU
23.	27 May 66	Charter Flt 16. Topo Svy Tp & RAAF.
24.	28 May 66	Courier Arrives
25.	29 May 66	Charter Flt 17. RAAF
26.	31 May 66	Charter Flt 18. Airlift of Inf Coy stores from VUNG TAU TO BIEN HOA. 1 RAR commences RTA.
27.	2 Jun 66	Charter Flt 19. 6 RAR
28.	4 Jun 66	Charter Flt 20. 6 RAR. Courier
29.	6 Jun 66	HMAS SYDNEY. Charter Flt 21. 6 RAR
30.	7 Jun 66	LSM & John Monash second trip arrive VUNG TAU.
31.	8 Jun 66	Charter Flt 22. 6 RAR
32.	10 Jun 66	Charter Flt 23. 6 RAR & RAEME
33.	12 Jun 66	Charter Flt 24. SAS & Wksps. Last RTA Flt 1 RAR Gp
34.	14 Jun 66	Charter Flt 25. Logistic units.
35.	16 Jun 66	Charter Flt 26. 1 Aust Rft Unit.
36.	18 Jun 66	Courier arrives
37.	25 Jun 66	Courier arrives

SECRET

SECRET

ANNEX D to
HQ AAFV OO J1
dated 22.03.00.2 APR 66

CONSOLIDATION OF INTRODUCTION OF AFV

Date (a)	Event (b)	Units Arriving (c)	Personnel Strength (d)	Vehicle Strength (e)	AC Arriving at Hours (f)	AC Departing at Hours (g)	AC Arriving at Location (h)	Final Destination (i)	Responsible HQ or Officer (k)
Apr 20	Charter Flight 1	HQ AAFV	9		1130	1300	TAN SON NHUT	SAIGON	USARV
		HQ 1 ALSG	7	VUNG TAU					
		HQ 1 TF	9	BA RIA					
		55 AESS	1	VUNG TAU					
		101 Fd Wksps	1	" "					
		17 Constr Sqn	10	" "					
		11 MC GP	4	SAIGON					
		103 Sig Sqn	1	"					
		145 Sig Sqn	6	"					
		5 RAR	42	BIEN HOA					
		1 Div Int Unit	1	" "					
		HQ 1 Coy RAASC	1	VUNG TAU					
		2 Fd Amb	1	" "					
		2 Comp Ord Det	2	" "					
1 Div Postal Unit	3	" "							
1 Aust Rft Unit	16	" "							
		<u>114</u>							
Apr 27	Charter Flight 2	HQ 1 LF Gp	2		1130	1300	TAN SON NHUT	VUNG TAU	USARV
		17 Const Sqn	47	" "					
		55 AESS	5	" "					
		11 MC GP	3	SAIGON					
		103 Sig Tp	12	*					
		581 Sig Tp	6	VUNG TAU					
		21 Sup Pl	9	BA RIA					
		87 Tpt Pl	6	VUNG TAU					
		2 Fd Amb	12	" "					
		2 Comp Ord Det	9	" "					
		17 Const Sqn Wksps	3	" "					
				<u>114</u>					

* BA RIA - 3 VUNG TAU - 6 SAIGON - 3

SECRET

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)		(f)	(g)	(h)	(j)	(k)
Apr 29	Charter Flight 3	17 Constr Sqn 5 RAR 21 Sup Pl 2 Comp Ord Det	18 36 21 39 <u>114</u>			1130	1300	TAN SON NHUT	VUNG TAU BA RIA VUNG TAU " "	USARV
Apr 30	Army Courier					1030	1200	BIEN HOA		AAFV
May 1	Charter Flight 4	1 APC Sqn 17 Constr Sqn 5 RAR	24 55 35 <u>114</u>			1130	1300	TAN SON NHUT	BA RIA VUNG TAU BA RIA	USARV
May 3	Charter Flight 5	17 Constr Sqn 5 RAR	5 109 <u>114</u>			1130	1300	TAN SON NHUT	VUNG TAU BA RIA	USARV
May 4	Arrival HMAS SYDNEY	HQ 1 ALSG HQ 1 TF 1 Fd Regt 131 Div Loc Bty 17 Constr Sqn 55 AECS 11 MC GP 103 Sig Sqn 552 Sig Tp 581 Sig Tp 5 RAR 1 Div Int Unit 21 Sup Pl 87 Tpt Pl 2 Fd Amb 2 Comp Ord Det 1 OFP 131 Div Loc Bty Wksp 17 Constr Sqn Wksp 1 Div S & T Wksp 1 Fd Regt LAD 1 TF HQ LAD 1 Div Cash Office	2 7 18 14 41 3 1 23 11 8 130 2 4 33 7 5 3 5 4 8 4 2 2	<u>Vehs</u> 2 6 15 12 38 3 1 21 3 6 33 2 4 31 6 6 3 4 4 4 3 2	<u>Trlrs</u> 2 6 9 12 13 1 21 3 6 27 2 4 6 6 3 5 4 2 1 2 1	040700	070600	VUNG TAU	VUNG TAU BA RIA " " " " VUNG TAU " " " " " " " " " " BA RIA " " VUNG TAU " " " " " " " " " " " " BA RIA " " " "	USARV

SECRET

- 3 -

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	Vehs	Trlrs	(f)	(g)	(h)	(j)	(k)
May 4	Arrival INMAS SYDNEY	1 Div Pro Unit 1 Div Postal Unit 1 Aust Rft Unit	13 4 3 <u>357</u>	12 1 3 <u>226</u>	2 1 3 <u>136</u>				BA RIA " " VUNG TAU	
May 5	Charter Flight 6	HQ 1 TF 1 Fd Reg 131 Div Loc Bty 103 Sig Sqn HQ 1 Coy RAASC 87 Tpt Pl 1 OFP 1 Div Pro Coy	23 22 16 9 6 21 11 4 <u>112</u>			1130	1300	TAN SON NHUT	BA RIA " " " " " " VUNG TAU " " " " BA RIA	USARV
May 6	LSM	17 Constr Sqn 55 AESS 17 Constr Wksps S & T Wksps	10 7 1 <u>18</u>	28 3 7 <u>39</u>	17 4 <u>21</u>	0700	110700	VUNG TAU	VUNG TAU " " " " " "	USARV
May 7	Army Courier					1030	1200	BIEN HOA		AAFV
May 7	Charter Flight 7	5 RAR 17 Constr 1 Div S & T Wksps	82 22 10 <u>114</u>			1130	1300	TAN SON NHUT	BA RIA VUNG TAU " "	USARV
May 9	Charter Flight 8	5 RAR	114			1130	1300	TAN SON NHUT	BARIA	USARV
May 11	Charter Flight 9	5 RAR	114			1130	1300	TAN SON NHUT	BA RIA	USARV
May 13	Charter Flight 10	5 RAR	114			1130	1300	TAN SON NHUT	BA RIA	USARV
May 14	Army Courier					141030	141200	BIEN HOA		AAFV
May 15	Charter Flight 11	HQ 1 TF 103 Sig Sqn 17 Constr Wksps 1 TF HQ LAD	60 35 5 14 <u>114</u>			1130	1300	TAN SON NHUT	BA RIA VUNG TAU " " " "	USARV

SECRET

SECRET

- 4 -

(a)	(b)	(b)	(c)	Vehs (d) Trlrs	(f)	(g)	(h)	(j)	(k)
May 19	Charter Flight 12	1 Fd Regt 103 Sig Sqn 581 Sig Tp	50 44 20 <u>114</u>		1130	1300	TAN SON NHUT " VUNG TAU	BARIA " VUNG TAU	USARV
May 21	Army Courier				1030	1200	BIEN HOA		AAFV
May 21	Charter Flight 13	1 Fd Regt 131 Div Loc Bty 1 Fd Regt LAD	68 37 9 <u>114</u>		1130	1300	TAN SON NHUT " "	BARIA " "	USARV
May 23	Charter Flight 14	1 Fd Regt 6 RAR 2 Fd Amb	45 43 26 <u>114</u>		1130	1300	TAN SON NHUT " VUNG TAU	BARIA " VUNG TAU	USARV
May 25	Charter Flight 15	1 Fd Sqn 1 Div Int Unit 2 Fd Amb 101 Inf Wksps	9 11 68 26 <u>114</u>		1130	1300	TAN SON NHUT " VUNG TAU " "	BARIA " VUNG TAU " "	USARV
May 27	Charter Flight 16	1 Topo Svy Tp 506 Sig Tp 176 Air Desp Coy 101 Stores Sec RAAF	15 12 27 14 46 <u>114</u>		1130	1300	TAN SON NHUT " VUNG TAU BARIA VUNG TAU " "	BARIA VUNG TAU BARIA VUNG TAU " "	USARV
May 28	Army Courier				1030	1200	BIEN HOA		AAFV
May 29	Charter Flight 17	RAAF	114		1130	1300	TAN SON NHUT	VUNG TAU	USARV
May 31	Charter Flight 18	6 RAR	114		1130	1300	TAN SON NHUT	BARIA	USARV
Jun 2	Charter Flight 19	6 RAR	114		1130	1300	TAN SON NHUT	BARIA	USARV
Jun 4	Army Courier				1030	1200	BIEN HOA		AAFV
Jun 4	Charter Flight 20	6 RAR	114		1130	1300	TAN SON NHUT	BARIA	USARV
Jun 6	HMAS SYDNEY	1 APC Sqn 1 Fd Sqn 55 AESS 21 Engr Sp Tp	58 68 52	25 19 24 13	0700	10 June	VUNG TAU " VUNG TAU BARIA	BARIA " VUNG TAU BARIA	USARV

SECRET

SECRET

- 5 -

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)		(f)	(g)	(h)	(j)	(k)
				Vehs	Trlrs					
Jun 6	HMAS SYDNEY (Contd)	1 Topo Svy Tp	2	2	2				BARIA	
		506 Sig Tp	6	6	6				VUNG TAU	
		520 Sig Tp	9	4	1				" "	
		552 Sig Sqn	6	4	4				" "	
		3 SAS	4	3	2				BARIA	
		176 Air Desp	7	14					VUNG TAU	
		1 Tpt.Pl	77	40	1				" "	
		33 Dental Unit	4	3	3				" "	
		101 Fd Wksp Stores	2	2	2				" "	
		1 Fd Sqn Wksp	20	7	7				" "	
		101 Fd Wksp	19	18	16				BARIA	
		1 APC Sqn Wksp LAD	6	1					" "	
		161 Recce Flt	23	5					BARIA	
		67 GL GP	4	1	1				VUNG TAU	
		RAAF	20	8					" "	
			<u>387</u>	<u>186</u>	<u>71</u>					
Jun 6	Charter Flight 21	6 RAR	114			1130	1300	TAN SON NHUT	BARIA	USARV
Jun 7	LSM Voyage 2 (John Monash)	1 Fd Sqn		3		0700		VUNG TAU	BARIA	USARV
		21 Engr Sp Tp		3					"	
		1 Div S & T Wksp		1					VUNG TAU	
		1 Fd Sqn Wksp		1					BARIA	
		Pool Vehicles		2					VUNG TAU	
		101 Fd Wksps		3					" "	
				<u>13</u>						
Jun 8	Charter Flight 22	6 RAR	114			1130	1300	TAN SON NHUT	BARIA	USARV
Jun 10	Charter Flight 23	6 RAR	67			1130	1300	TAN SON NHUT	BARIA	USARV
		101 Fd Wksps	47						VUNG TAU	
			<u>114</u>							
Jun 12	Charter Flight 24	3 SAS	73			1130	1300	TAN SON NHUT	BARIA	USARV
		33 Dental Unit	7						VUNG TAU	
		101 Fd Wksps	33						" "	
			<u>113</u>							

SECRET

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	Vehs (e) Trlrs	(f)	(g)	(h)	(j)	(k)
Jun 14	Charter Flight 25	581 Sig Tp 3 SAS 176 Air Desp Coy 1 Fd Sqn Wksps 161 Recce Flight 1 Aust Rft Unit	6 23 8 9 19 49 <u>114</u>		1130	1300	TAN SON NHUT	VUNG TAU BARIA VUNG TAU " " " " " "	USARV
Jun 16	Charter Flight 26	1 Aust Rft Unit	23		1130	1300	TAN SON NHUT	VUNG TAU	USARV
Jun 18	Army Courier				1030	1200	BIEN HOA		AAFV
Jun 25	Army Courier				1030	1200	BIEN HOA		AAFV

SECRET

Annex 'F' to AAFV
OO No J1
of 200300Z Apr 66

SIGNAL PLAN

1. SIT : See basic order.
2. MSN : Provision of comms sp for op HARDIHOOD.
3. EXEC
 - a. Gen Outline
 - (1) Initial comms for force reception - Appx 1
 - (2) Comms to be estb by 23 Jun 66 - Appx 2
 - b. Radio
 - (1) HQ AFV - Aust. NO change.
 - (2) HQ AFV - BIEN HOA. Close on orders COMAFV NOT before 10 Jun 66.
 - (3) Rear link from 1 RAR during ops - Maintain until 1 RAR wdr to BIEN HOA from BARIA.
 - (4) MC Net. Appx 1. To be aval from 26 Apr 66. Schedules as required by OC 11 MC Gp. Close on orders COMAFV. Users to be prep to op radio sets.
 - (5) Radio back-up is to be provided for all bearer circuits provided by COMUSMACV.
 - c. Telephone
 - (1) One direct connection from DAQMG/G3 Ops HQ AFV to staging area/HQ 1 ALSG by 20 Apr 66.
 - (2) Extensions from US VUNG TAU exchange to:
 - a. Staging area/HQ 1 ALSG - by 20 Apr 66.
 - b. Transit Area - by 26 Apr 66.
 - (3) From HQ 1 ALSG to HQ 1 Aust Rft Unit (Staging Area)
 - (4) Development of local telephone system within 1 ALSG/Staging Area commencing 6 May 66 with precis at appx 3.
 - (5) One sole-user connection COMAFV - Comd 1 TF on orders COMAFV NOT before 8 Jun 66.
 - (6) IVANHOE Swdb (BIEN HOA) to close on orders COMAFV NOT before 10 Jun 66.
 - (7) Common - User circuits:
 - a. HQ AFV - HQ 1 ALSG. 2 incl connection at 3 c. (1) by 10 May 66.
 - b. HQ 1 TF - HQ 1 ALSG. 1 by 22 May 66.
 - c. HQ AFV - HQ 1 TF. 1 by 25 May 66.
 - d. Common User Telegraph Circuits
 - (1) HQ AFV - Aust. NO Change
 - (2) HQ AFV - BIEN HOA. Close on orders COMAFV, NOT before 10 Jun 66.
 - (3) HQ AFV - 1 ALSG by 20 Apr 66.
 - (4) 1 ALSG - 1 TF by 28 May 66.
 - (5) HQ AFV - 1 TF by 5 Jun 66.
 - (6) 1 ALSG - RAAF Tpt Flt VUNG TAU (FATOC) by 4 Jun 66.

e. Sigcen

SECRET

2/..... e. Sigcen

SECRET

- 2 -

e. Sigcen

- (1) HQ AFV. NO Change.
- (2) BIEN HOA. Close on orders COMAFV NOT before 10 Jun 66.
- (3) Staging Area/1 ALSG. Open 20 Apr 66.
- (4) 1 RAR/5 RAR/1 TF, 20 May 66.

f. SDS

- (1) SAIGON Area. NO Change
- (2) SAIGON - BIEN HOA. Cease on orders COMAFV, NOT before 10 Jun 66.
- (3) VUNG TAU. Nil. Units deliver to and collect from sigcen.

g. Co-ord

- (1) HQ 145 Sig Sqn remains SAIGON.
- (2) Pts of contact:-
 - a. SAIGON - OC 145 Sig Sqn (DEER 249)
 - b. VUNG TAU - OC Det 145 Sig Sqn (VUNG TAU) (VUNG TAU 699)

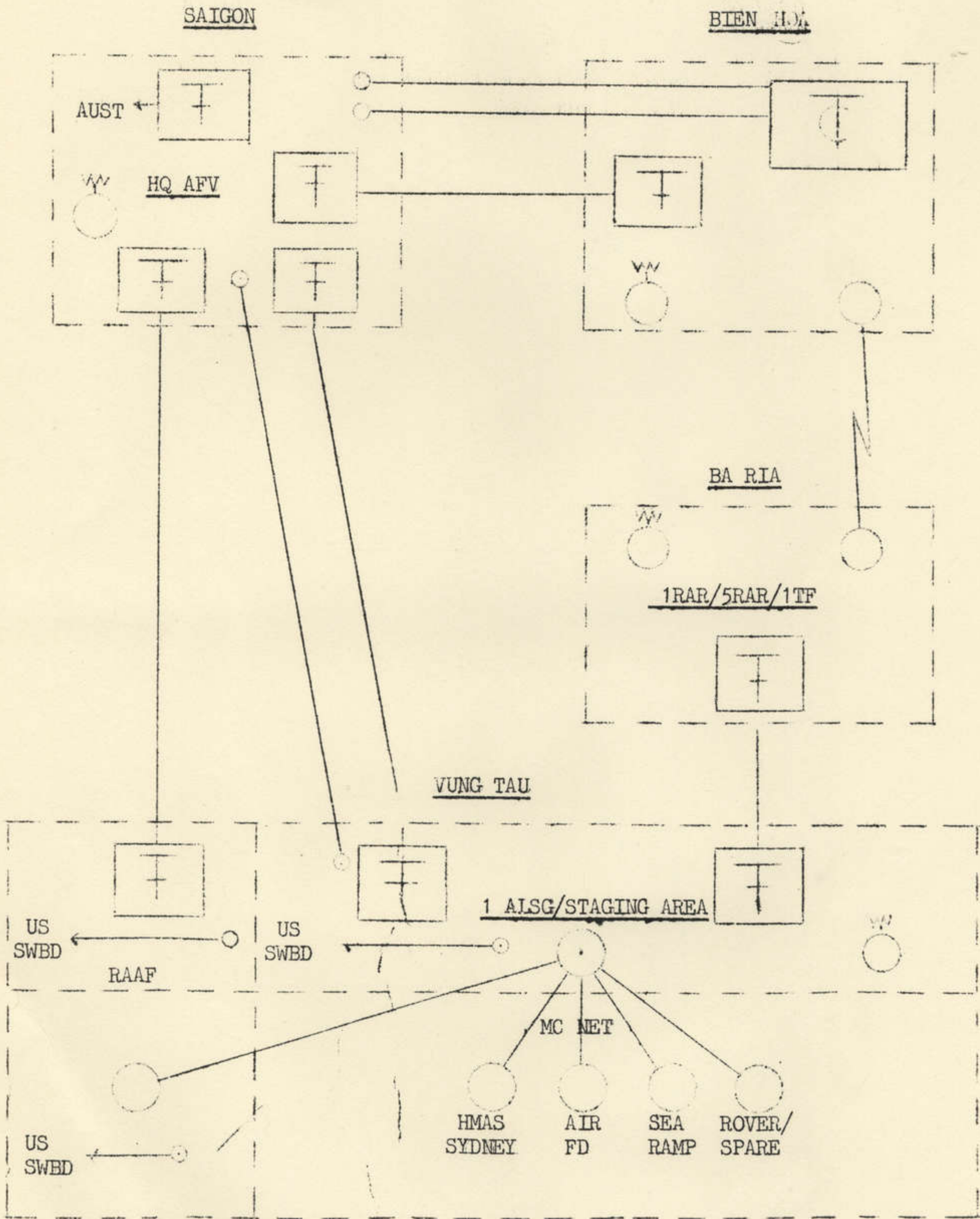
4. ADM AND LOG : See basic order

SECRET




SECRET

Appx 1 to
Annex to AAFV
OO No J1
of 20⁰⁰Z APR 66

INITIAL COMS FOR FORCE RECEPTION



Legend

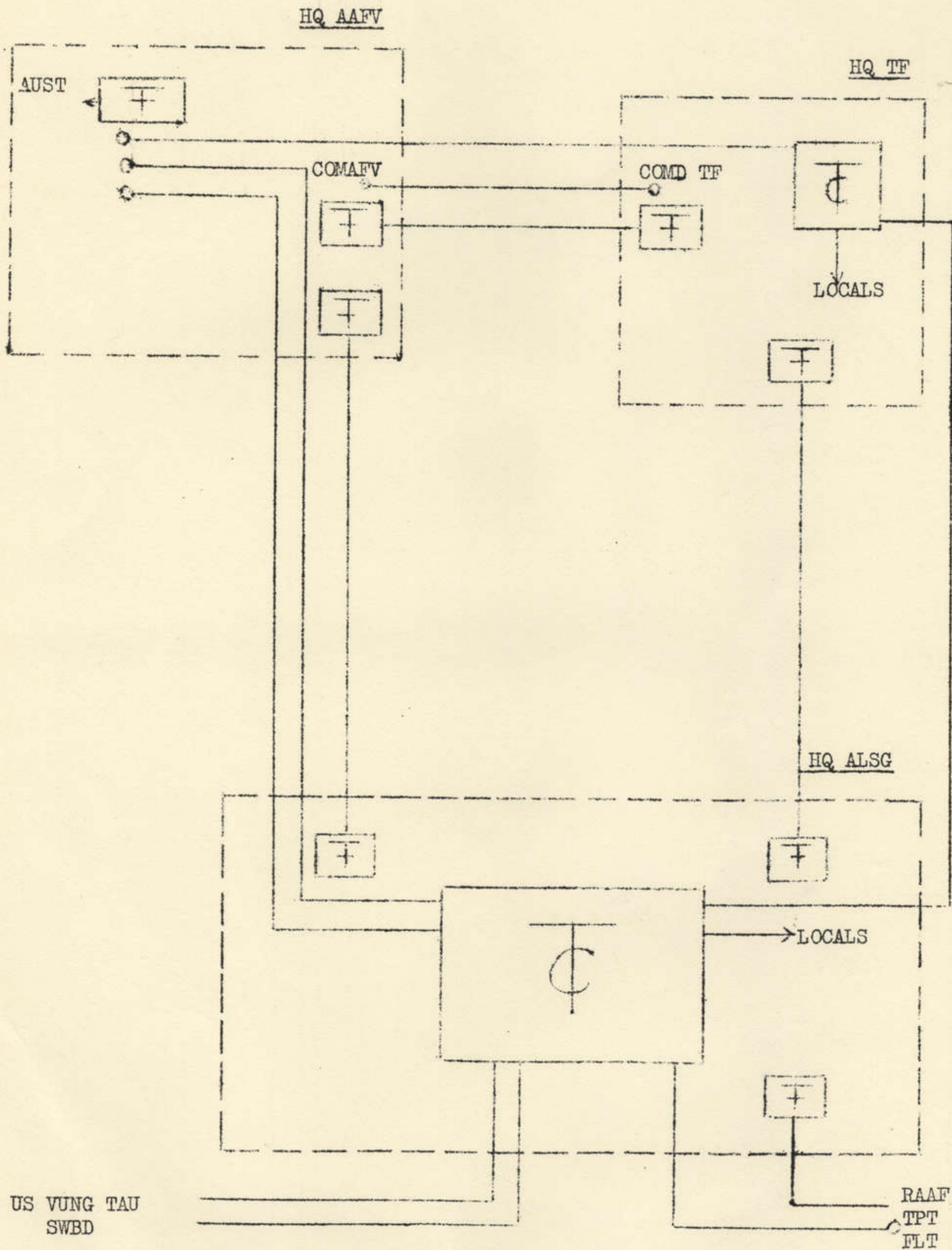
-  Teleprinter
-  Telephone
-  Back up radio

SECRET

SECRET

Appx 2 to
Annex to AAFV
OO No J1
of 200300 Z Apr 66

OUTLINE OF COMMS ESTB BY 23 JUN 66



NOTE:
TACTICAL RADIO AND RADIORELAY CIRCUITS NOT SHOWN

SECRET

SECRET

Appx 3 to
Annex 'F' to AAFV
OO No J1
of 20 0300Z Apr 66

PRI FOR TELE EXTNS FROM 1 LSG SWBD

PRI

USER

1. Tie lines to VUNG TAU exchange.
2. HQ AFV.
3. One extn to:-
 - a. 11 MC Gp
 - b. Sigcen
 - c. HQ 1 LSG
 - d. 17 Constr Sqn
 - e. HQ Aust Rft Unit/Staging Area
 - f. 2 Fd Amb (RAP)
 - g. 2 Comp Ord Depot
 - h. 21 Sup Pl
 - j. 55 AESS
 - k. 581 Sig Tp
 - l. 1 Tpt Pl
4. Addl extensions HQ 1 LSG.
5. One extn to units in VUNG TAU Area NOT allocated pri 3.
6. Addl extns - details later

SECRET

SECRET

Annex 'g' to
AAFV OO No J1
of 20 0300Z Apr 66

WEAPONS READINESS

1. The following applies to Rifles, OMC and M60.

<u>STAGE</u>	<u>ACTION</u>	<u>WHEN APPLICABLE</u>
ONE	a. Breech empty. Working party forward. b. Safety catch applied. c. Full magazine in pouch.	In operational base and log area
TWO	As for Stage 1 but magazine on weapon	a. Travelling in vehicles when outside operational base or log area. b. Stand to in bases out-side operational base.
THREE	a. Round in breech, action cocked. b. Safety catch applied. c. Full magazine on wpn	a. On entering a VC controlled area on foot. b. Vehicle sentries on vehicles outside operational base or log area. c. When ordered by an officer.
FOUR	As for Stage 3 but with safety catch off	a. When action is imminent. b. Leading scouts on patrol c. When ordered by an officer.

2. Notes

- a. All men must clear weapons before entering the operational base.
b. The M79 or M72 must NOT be carried in the ready to fire condition.

SECRET

SECRET

Annex 'h' to
AAFV OO No J1
of 20 0300Z Apr 66

BEACH SAFETY - VUNG TAU

1. Australian Military Personnel swimming at VUNG TAU Beach are to use only the area of the beach which has been designated by flags. It is the responsibility of the CO 1 ALSG to appoint an officer to designate this particular area daily.

2. It will also be the responsibility of this officer to ensure that the lifesaver rostered for duty and an ambulance with driver and medic are in attendance at the beach before any personnel are allowed swimming.

3. The duties of the lifesaver are as follows:-
 - a. Ensure that he has a warning bell to advise swimmers when the water is NOT safe for swimming.
 - b. Ensure that the ambulance driver knows the location of the VUNG TAU hospital.
 - c. That personnel swim only during times designated by CO 1 ALSG.
 - d. That a white flag is flying when swimming is safe or that a black flag is flying when it is NOT safe to enter the water.

4. Only those personnel that are qualified as lifesavers are to be rostered for duty lifesaver.

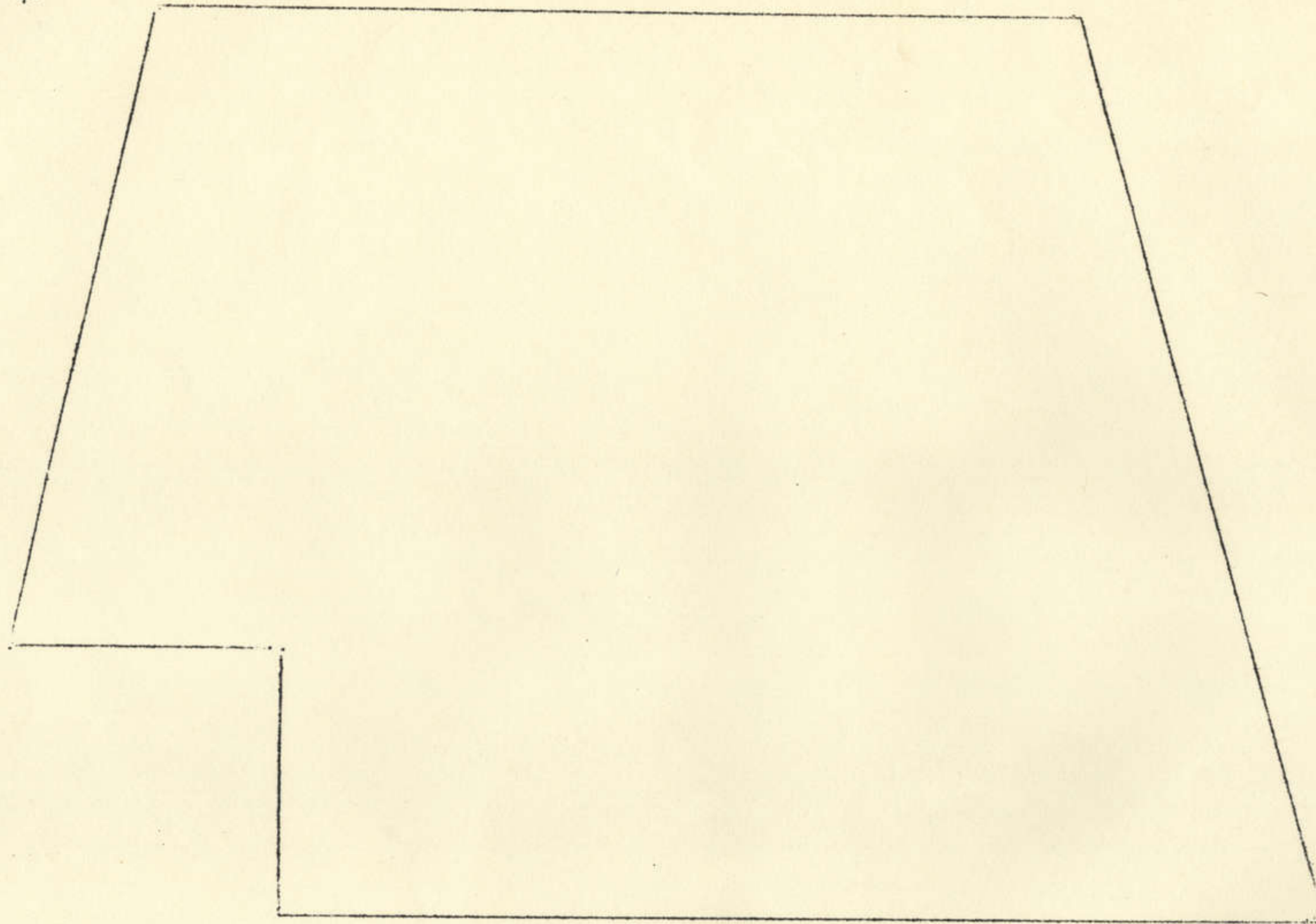
SECRET

S E C R E T

TRACE 'P' to HQ AAFV 00 J1
dated 20 APR 66

71

41



53

65

39

62

PROPOSED
FIRST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE
INITIAL DEPLOYMENT AREA

S E C R E T

SECRET

- 2 -

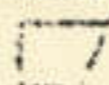
27



BEACH AREA

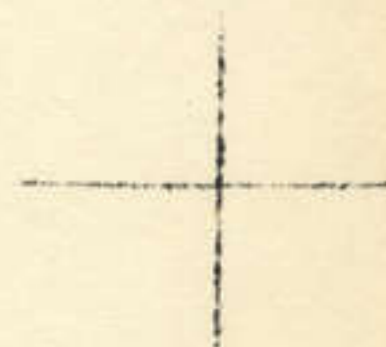


TEMPORARY STORES AREA



36

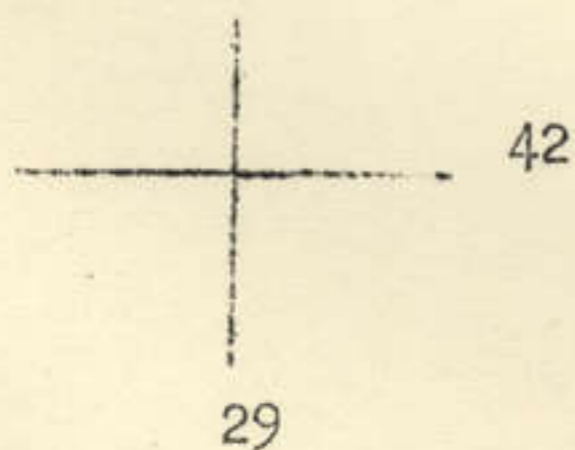
48



LOG SP GP
BASE AREA



STAGING
AREA



LOCATIONS - VUNG TAU AREA

SECRET

CONFIDENTIAL

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
HEADQUARTERS 173D AIRBORNE BRIGADE (SEPARATE)
OFFICE OF THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER
APO U.S. FORCES 96250

AVAB-SB

17 April 1966

SUBJECT: Intelligence Summary

TO: FFV II

INFO: See Distribution

1. Issuing Unit: Hqs, 173d Abn Bde (Sep), CP Location: YU 141074, Intsum Number: 334.

2. Time and Date of Issue: 172400 Apr 66, Period Covered: 162400 Apr 66 to 172400 Apr 66.

3. Summary of Enemy Activity for Period:

SUMMARY: One minor VC perimeter reconnaissance attempt occurred during this reporting period. Three aircraft received ground fire from within the area of operation.

a. Ground Activity:

(1) (0315 hrs) A/2/503 listening post spotted 4-5 VC at YU 142078 moving toward the LP from the northeast. The LP fired 11 rounds of M16 and one M-79 and the VC dispersed without further contact.

(2) (0552 hrs) 2/503 reported one round of SA fire vicinity YU 143078. The LP in that vicinity did not fire.

(3) (0800 hrs) A patrol from A/2/503 clearing the area where the 4 to 5 VC had been spotted earlier found a carbine magazine with 12 rounds of ammo at YU 137079.

(4) (0937 hrs) C/2/503 heard one shot from YU 149037.

(5) (1100 hrs) A/2/503 apprehended one VC suspect (not armed) at YU 142078.

(6) (1500 hrs) B/1/RAR apprehended three Montagnard suspects at YT 061851.

(7) (1630 hrs) A/1/RAR found a burned out Mae West life preserver at YT 055856.

(8) (1750 hrs) ALO reported sighting 1 VC on a trail at YT 192690.

b-e. Omitted

f. Secondary Explosions:

(1) Caused by: Artillery

(2) Type ordnance expended by friendly sources: 30 - 105mm rounds

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Intsum Number: 334 (Cont'd)

(3) Number of secondary explosions: one

(4) Height of cloud column: 50 feet

(5) Color of cloud column: black smoke

(6) Type of material detonated: unknown

g. Other Activities:

(1) (0800 hrs) A helicopter received small arms fire at YT 075864 during first lift of RAR into LZ Sam.

(2) (0900 hrs) A helicopter received heavy SA fire from YT 085035.

(3) (0755 hrs) A/82nd reported a helicopter received automatic weapons fire at YT 066886. The helicopter returned fire. Results: 1 KIA (possible).

(4) (1500 hrs) An aerial observer from 3/319 reported sighting prepared positions consisting of trench system, one small tent, and two civilian trucks at YT 166889. 30 rounds of 105 were fired on location damaging the trench systems, both trucks and causing one secondary explosion.

(5) (1930 hrs) ALO reported that the trail between YT 180591 to YT 189690 has been heavily traveled by vehicles recently.

4. Enemy Personnel and Equipment Losses:

a. KIA by: Confirmed Possible

Army Aviation 1

b. Captives: 4 VC suspects

c. Equipment Losses:

(1) Weapons: None

(2) Ammunition: 1 carbine magazine with 12 rounds of ammo

(3) Other 1073 documents

5. New Obstacles or Barriers: None

6. Administrative Activities: The total VC personnel losses to Brigade elements for the week beginning 110001 April 1966 and ending 172400 April 1966 are as follows:

VC KIA (E/C) 14 VC KIA (estimated) 11

Detainees:

	<u>Total</u>	<u>VCC</u>	<u>VCS</u>	<u>Refugees</u>
Male	43	13	30	
Female	20	3	0	17
Children	47	0	0	47
Total:	110*	16	30	64

* All but 2 detainees have been sent to Province Headquarters at Song Be. Two suspects are presently located in the cage.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Intsum Number: 334 (Cont'd)

7. New Identifications: None

8. Enemy Movements and Locations:

(1) (1310 hrs) D/1/RAR located a company size defensive position at YT 043854.

(2) (1330 hrs) D/1/RAR located a battalion size defensive position at YT 085862 estimated to be 6 months old.

(3) (1600 to 1700 hrs) C/1/RAR reported the following: An estimated battalion sized base camp at YT 068833, 1 - 30 caliber round found at YT 056835, and three water buffalo located at YT 083847.

9. Estimated Number and Types of Vehicles or Craft: None

10. Weather and Terrain Conditions: No Change

11. Brief Discussion of Capabilities and Vulnerabilities:

a. Capabilities: The enemy is capable of initiating harassing actions and reconnoitering the Brigade area in squad, platoon, and possibly company strength. The enemy can defend base areas with local security forces up to battalion size. The locally committed forces could be reinforced by two main force regiments within 24 to 48 hours. There is a possibility of NVA battalion elements being in or near the AO in transit.

b. Vulnerabilities: The enemy is vulnerable to our superior fire power when located.

12. Conclusions: The enemy can be expected to reconnoiter the Brigade area in squad, platoon and possibly company strength. The enemy will most probably avoid extended contact unless he has vastly superior numbers and favorable terrain. A mortar attack is possible at any time.

FOR:

William C. Mearns
RAYMOND E. MARSHALL
Major, Infantry

Distribution:

1 - FFV II, Bien Hoa	1 - Cong Thanh Sub-Sector
5 - 1st Inf Div, Di An	1 - Dong Nai Sensitive Sector
1 - Special Forces "C" Det, Bien Hoa	1 - Australian Forces Vietnam
1 - Special Forces "B" Det, Song Be	70 - Internal
2 - III Corps, Bien Hoa	

GROUP 4

CONFIDENTIAL

Co

Have noted paras 3 d (1)
3 d (2)

[Signature]
7 Apr.

SECRET

OPORD 4-66 (Operation AUSTIN) (U) 9 April - 22 April 1966

References: Maps VIETNAM, 1:50,000; series L 701, Sheets 65431, 6543II, 6543III, 6543IV, 6643I, 6643III, 6643IV, 65421, 6542IV.

Task Organization

TF 1/503 (Lt Col Tyler, Commanding)

- 1/503d Inf
- D/16th Armor
- RRU Team
- 1 Sqd, 173d Engr Co
- FAC Team
- National Police (3 under OPCON from time of arrival HAM TAM)
- Naval Gunfire Team

TF 2/503 (Lt Col Walsh, Commanding)

- 2/503 Inf
- RRU Team
- 1 Sqd, 173d Engr Co
- FAC Team
- National Police (3 under OPCON from time of arrival HAM TAM)
- Naval Gunfire Team

TF RAR (Lt Col Preece, Commanding)

- 1/RAR
- RRU Team
- 1 Sqd, 173d Engr Co
- FAC Team
- National Police (3 under OPCON from time of arrival HAM TAM)
- Naval Gunfire Team

TF 3/319 (Lt Col Surut, Commanding)

- 3/319th Arty
- 161 Btry RNZA
- RRU Team

TF Support (Maj Hogan, Commanding)

- BSOC
- Unit Trains

TF Rear (Lt Col Siska, Commanding)

- Spt Bn (-)
- Rear Detachment (All organic units)

Brigade Control

- E/17 Cav
- A/82d Abn Bn
- 173d Engr Co (-)

1. SITUATION.

- a. Enemy Forces: Annex B (Intelligence)

DOWNGRADE CONFIDENTIAL
UPON COMPLETION OF
OPERATION.

Co
1. I have two copies of this SECRET
One for Adb and one for me.
2. Attending Bde Conf 0830 hrs 8 Apr
If anything critical is concluded I will
advise you. J. [Signature]

877/173/66

SECRET

OPORD 4-66 (Operation AUSTIN)(U) Cont'd

b. Friendly Forces:

(1) 1st Bde (-), 101st Abn Div, with two Bns ARVN under OPCON will conduct operations in AO North of 173d Abn Bde.

(2) One bn 1st Div assumes the responsibility for the defense of BIEN HOA AIR BASE effective 111200H April 66.

(3) 145 Aviation Battalion provides helicopter support.

(4) ARVN units in area are located as follows:

HAM TAN (ZS 0182):
1/48 Inf Bn
Two Recon Plts
Sect 105 Plt

TAM TAM (ZS 1385)
513 RF Company
515 RF Company

Junk fleet at LAGI (ZS 0479)

(5) 2d Air Div (USAF) provides airlift for movement of forces and supplies to AO and provides tactical air support during conduct of operation. An Airfield Control Team will be located at HAM TAN airfield in support of TF Support.

c. Attachments and Detachments: Task Organization.

2. MISSION. 173d Airborne Brigade moves by road and air commencing 090630H Apr 66 to HAM TAN AIRFIELD (YS 9884) and conducts operations in area. Locates and destroys VC forces and supplies in assigned AO.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of Operations: Opn will be conducted initially in four phases. These include the movement of units to the operational area and the commencing of operations therein. Further operations, including the extraction will be on order. (Annex E, Op Overlay).

(1) Phase I - (9 Apr 66) Movement of TF 1/503, TF 3/319, TF Support and vehicle convoy from BIEN HOA to HAM TAN AIRFIELD by road. Movement of TF 2/503 from BIEN HOA to HAM TAN AIRFIELD by air. 1st Log Cnd begins placement of supplies at HAM TAM AIRFIELD.

(2) Phase II (10 - 11 Apr 66) TF's 1/503 and 2/503 conduct saturation patrols in AOs. E/17th Cav conducts recon between BSOC and Psn A. Buildup of supplies by 1st Log Cnd continues at HAM TAN AIRFIELD.

(3) Phase III (12 Apr 66) Movement of TF 1/503 by air and TF 3/319 by road, escorted by D/16th Armor, to Psn 1. One btry from TF 3/319, escorted by E/17th Cav, stages through Psn A.

(4) Phase IV (13 April 66) Move of TF RAR by air to Psn 2. Movement of one btry TF 3/319, escorted by D/16th Armor from Psn 1 to Psn 2. Movement by air of TF 2/503 to Psn 3. Conduct search and destroy operations.

b. Task Force 1/503:

(1) Relieved of responsibility for security 1/RAR TAOR by 1/RAR at 081200 H April 66

Phase I:

(2) Move by road from BIEN HOA to HAM TAN AIRFIELD on 9 Apr 66 providing

2

SECRET

SECRET

OPORD 4-66 (Operation AUSTIN)(U) cont'd

security for TF 3/319 and road convoy during move. Commander TF 1/503 is in command of units moving by road in this operation.

(3) If unable to complete convoy move on 9 Apr 66 be prepared to harbour overnight in vic YS 818964.

(4) On arrival of TF 3/319 and road convoy at HAM TAN AIRFIELD, establish Bn base with D/16 Armor attached, vic Psn B.

Phase II:

(5) Conduct saturation patrols in AO APPLE from Psn B on 10 - 11 Apr 66.

Phase III:

(6) Move by helicopter in two lifts from Psn B to Psn 1 on 12 Apr. D/16th Armor moves by road.

(7) 4.2 mortar plat moves to BSOC and is attached to TF 1/503.

Phase IV:

(8) Establish Bn base vic Psn 2 and conduct search and destroy operations in AO GRAPE.

c. TF 2/503:

(1) Relieved of responsibility for security 2/503 TAOR by 1/RAR at 090800H Apr 66 and from security mission at ROCK QUARRY 091200H Apr 66.

Phase I:

(2) Move one company by helicopter from BIEN HOA to HAM TAN AIRFIELD commencing 090730 Apr 66 and secure airfield.

(3) Move remainder of TF from BIEN HOA to HAM TAN AIRFIELD by C130 in 4 lifts, except for road convoy which moves under control TF 1/503.

(4) Conduct patrols to ensure security of BSOC area for arrival of road convoy and establishment of Brigade Base.

(5) CO, TF 2/503 responsible for defense of HAM TAN airfield and security of all units located there from arrival to 131300 Apr 66.

(6) 4.2 mortar plat 1/503 attached to TF 2/503 on 12 Apr 66.

Phase II and Phase III:

(7) Conduct patrols in vicinity BSOC on 10, 11 and 12 Apr 66.

Phase IV:

(8) Conduct airmobile operation in two lifts from BSOC to Psn 3 commencing 131400 Apr 66.

(9) 4.2 mortar plts 1/503 and 2/503 attached to E/17 Cav effective 131300 Apr 66.

(10) Establish Bn base vic Psn 3 and conduct search and destroy operations in AO ORANGE.

d. TF 1/RAR:

(1) Assume responsibility for 1/RAR TAOR at 081200H Apr 66 and 2/503d TAOR 090800H April 1966.

3

SECRET

SECRET

OPORD 4-66 (Operation AUSTIN)(U), cont'd

Phase I, Phase II, Phase III:

(2) Remain at BIEN HOA and be responsible for security of 2/503 and 1/RAR TAORs until 111200H Apr 66. Road convoy elements 1/RAR are to move with TF 1/503 on 9 Apr 66.

Phase IV

(3) Move by helicopter from BIEN HOA to operational area as follows:

(a) 1st lift from BIEN HOA to airland HAM TAN AIRFIELD. Helicopters return to BIEN HOA and refuel.

(b) 2d lift move from BIEN HOA to Psn 2. Helicopters return to HAM TAN AIRFIELD.

(c) 3d lift (original 1st lift) move from HAM TAN to Psn 2.

(d) Establish Bn Base and conduct search and destroy operations in AO PEACH from Psn 3.

(e) Receive attachment of D/16 Armor and one Btry, 3/319, 131400 April.

e. TF 3/319:

(1) Provide supporting fires including LZ preparations, for Operation AUSTIN. Fire Support Plan Annex H.

Phase I

(2) Move by road (less 161 Btry) under command TF 1/503 commencing 090630 Apr from BIEN HOA to HAM TAN airfield.

Phase II

(3) Provide fire support from vic of HAM TAN airfield on 10 and 11 Apr 66.

161 (4) Move 161 Btry by Chinook aircraft from BIEN HOA to HAM TAN airfield on 10 Apr 66.

Phase III

(5) Move one btry by road to Psn A on 12 Apr 66. Security provided by E/17th Cav.

(6) Move one btry to Psn 1 by CH-47 on 12 April.

(7) Move remainder of TF by road to Psn 1, Btry in Psn A to join main force as it passes through, commencing 121400 April.

Phase IV

(9) Provide one btry to move under control D/16 Armor on 13 Apr to Psn 2, to be attached to TF 1/RAR on arrival Psn 2.

f. D/16th Armor

Phase I and Phase II

(1) Attached TF 1/503, 090600 April.

Phase III

(2) Move by road to Psn 1 on 12 Apr under command TF 3/319 and provide convoy security from HAM TAN airfield to Psn 2.

SECRET

SECRET

OPORD 4-66 (Cont'd) (U)

Phase IV

(3) Depart Psn 1 on 13 Apr and escort one btry of TF 3/319 to Psn 2.

(4) Attached to TF 1/RAR on arrival Psn 2.

g. E/17th Cav

Phase I

(1) Move with road convoy on 9 Apr under command of CO TF 1/503 to BSOC area, Ham Tan airfield.

(2) Attached to TF 2/503 upon arrival HAM TAN airfield for security of BSOC area.

Phase II

(3) Be prepared to conduct recon in vic of BSOC, and between BSOC and Psn 4, on 10-11 Apr.

Phase III

(4) Escort one btry TF 3/319 from HAM TAN to Psn A commencing 120700 Apr.

(5) Subsequently return to area BSOC when TF 3/319 passes through Psn A and btry departs with TF 3/319.

Phase IV

(6) Responsible for security BSOC commencing 131300 Apr 66.

h. 173d Engr Co

Phase I

(1) Move with road convoy on 9 Apr 66 from BIEN HOA to HAM TAN airfield. Move under command TF 1/503.

(2) Carry out such Engr tasks as necessary to ensure free passage of road convoy along Route 1 and Route Inter-Provincial 2 between BIEN HOA and HAM TAN airfield.

(3) Establish Bde water point in sq 9886.

Phase II, III, IV

(4) Be prepared to carry out repair and maintenance as required on HAM TAN airfield.

(5) Assist in defense of BSOC responsible to commander TF 2/503 in this task until 131400 April, and responsible to CO E/17 Cav from 131400 April to termination of operation.

i. A/82nd Avn: Provide helicopter support in accordance with Annex C.

j. TF Rear:

(1) Coordinate logistical support during Operation AUSTIN.

(2) Be responsible to coordinate with Bn 1st Div in security of TAOR.

k. Coordinating Instructions:

(1) Operations Overlay: Annex A

SECRET

SECRET

OPORD 4-66 (Operation AUSTIN) Cont'd (U)

(2) CO, TF 1/503 responsible for move of motor convoy from BIEN HOA to HAM TAN on 9 April 66.

(3) Road movement instructions:

(a) From BIEN HOA to XUAN LOC (YT 4610), 50 meter interval between vehicles, 200 meters between march units, 10 minute interval between serials.

(b) Between XUAN LOC and HAM TAN (YS 9984), 25 meters between vehicles, 100 meters between march units and 200 meters between serials.

(c) TF 1/503 responsible to designate check points along route of march. RP is Brigade Base at HAM TAN.

(d) TAC air Cap provided for convoy cover.

(4) One FAC and one Arty AO on airborne station during convoy move 9 April 66.

(5) Spt Bn provides DACO for fixed wing and CH-47 airlifts.

(6) Sequence of Events: Annex J

(7) BSOC Diagram: Annex K

(8) Points of Origin: Annex L

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS: Annex G

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL:

a. Current SOI in effect.

b. Signal Annex, Annex I.

c. Brigade CP - Annex K.

Acknowledge

SMITH
Brig Gen

ANNEXES:

- A - Operations Overlay
- B - Intelligence
- C - Aviation
- D - Road Movement
- E - Chemical
- F - Civil Affairs
- G - Administration and Logistics
- H - Fire Support
- I - Signal
- J - Sequence of Events
- K - Brigade CP
- L - Points of Origin
- M-Y - Not Used
- Z - Distribution

Distribution: Annex Z

OFFICIAL

Christenson
CHRISTENSON
C3

SECRET

CONFIDENTIAL

Copy _____ of _____ Copies
HQ, 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
APO U.S. Forces 96250
071600H Apr 66
CHR

Annex B (Intelligence) to OPORD 4-66 (Austin)

1. General: The area of interest is in southeastern Binh Tuy Province and southwestern Binh Thuan Province--along the II/III Corps border.

2. Terrain: The terrain throughout the AO is generally flat to gently rolling with the exception of five (5) scattered predominant hill masses. These small rugged hill masses vary from 173 to 694 meters in elevation and will restrict cross country movement in the immediate area. There is a line of vertical cliffs paralleling the coastline--immediately inland from the continuous white sandy beach.

3. Drainage: The major stream within the AO is the Suoi Sau (ZS 0990) which is found in the eastern portion of the AO. All the streams in the AO drain south into the South China Sea and at the present time the majority of them are dry. All the streams are under tidal influence and their depth will vary accordingly.

4. Vegetation: The western portion of the AO is generally covered with primary and secondary rain forest. The eastern portion of the AO is covered with low scrub brush with the exception of a band of open rice paddies paralleling Highway 1. There has been an active defoliation program along Highway 1, and all vegetation is dead for approximately 30 meters each side of the highway. The beach areas are almost void of vegetation.

5. Routes of Communications: The only useable route into the AO is National Highway 1. This highway runs across the northern portion of the AO to Phan Thiet (provincial capital of Binh Thuan Province) which is located just east of our AO. This highway is cut frequently and most bridges have been blown. All blown bridges have useable by-passes. The other major road in the AO is Interprovincial #2 running from Highway 1 at YS 9998 to Ham Tam (the provincial capital of Binh Tuy Province). This road is a two lane dirt road that is used daily by ARVN forces. There are many small roads and trails within the AO, particularly in the eastern portion.

6. Obstacles: There are many route obstacles on National Highway 1. These obstacles consist of road cratering and blown bridges. The blown bridges are presently by-passable with some difficulty. A minimum amount of engineer effort will be required on some by-passes so that they can accomodate large convoys. A minor terrain obstacle to foot troops is presented by the hill masses located throughout the area. Most of the streams are dry with the exception of those located in proximity to the coast, some of which will be obstacles during periods of high tide.

7. VC Hard Installations: There are no reported VC installations within the AO.

8. VC Forces: There are no known VC Main Force units within the AO. There are two local force companies known to operate within the AO. The 602 Local Force Battalion operates within the AO as well as the area north of the AO. This battalion was last reported vicinity ZT 2424 on 1 April 1966.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Annex B (Intelligence) to OPOD 4-66 (Austin) (U)

10. Summary: We can expect to encounter small VC local force elements throughout the AO. It is extremely doubtful if the 602 Local Force Battalion would fight as a battalion even if it were located within the AO. It is far more likely that this unit could stay broken down into smaller elements and employ strictly guerrilla tactics. Our chances of making contact with a Main Force unit are extremely remote. The 94th and 5th Main Force Regiments, normally operating to the southwest of the AO in Phuoc Tuy Province, have recently moved to new areas. The 94th Regiment (or elements thereof) has moved to northern Binh Tuy Province ("Rice Bowl" area) and elements participated in the attacks on Vo Xu. Elements of the 5th Regiment are presently located just north of Highway 1 along the Long Khanh/Phuoc Tuy border. These elements might be a threat against our motor movement if they remain in this location.

Acknowledge:

SMITH
Brig Gen

Appendices:

1. Obstacles on Highway 1
2. Order of Battle
3. Potential LZ's

DISTRIBUTION: Same as OPOD 4-66

OFFICIAL:

(H) *LaSala*
MARSHALL
C2

CONFIDENTIAL

ONE
DATE: 20 APR 66
NO. 1234 (250)
CLASS. BY: [unclear]

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

①

Copy _____ of _____ Copies
HQ, 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
APO U.S. Forces 96250
071600H Apr 66
CHR

Annex B (Intelligence) to OPORD 4-66 (Austin)

1. General: The area of interest is in southeastern Binh Tuy Province and southwestern Binh Thuan Province--along the II/III Corps border.

2. Terrain: The terrain throughout the AO is generally flat to gently rolling with the exception of five (5) scattered predominant hill masses. These small rugged hill masses vary from 173 to 694 meters in elevation and will restrict cross country movement in the immediate area. There is a line of vertical cliffs paralleling the coastline--immediately inland from the continuous white sandy beach.

3. Drainage: The major stream within the AO is the Suoi Sau (ZS 0990) which is found in the eastern portion of the AO. All the streams in the AO drain south into the South China Sea and at the present time the majority of them are dry. All the streams are under tidal influence and their depth will vary accordingly.

4. Vegetation: The western portion of the AO is generally covered with primary and secondary rain forest. The eastern portion of the AO is covered with low scrub brush with the exception of a band of open rice paddies paralleling Highway 1. There has been an active defoliation program along Highway 1, and all vegetation is dead for approximately 30 meters each side of the highway. The beach areas are almost void of vegetation.

5. Routes of Communications: The only useable route into the AO is National Highway 1. This highway runs across the northern portion of the AO to Phan Thiet (provincial capital of Binh Thuan Province) which is located just east of our AO. This highway is cut frequently and most bridges have been blown. All blown bridges have useable by-passes. The other major road in the AO is Interprovincial #2 running from Highway 1 at YS 9998 to Ham Tam (the provincial capital of Binh Tuy Province). This road is a two lane dirt road that is used daily by ARVN forces. There are many small roads and trails within the AO, particularly in the eastern portion.

6. Obstacles: There are many route obstacles on National Highway 1. These obstacles consist of road cratering and blown bridges. The blown bridges are presently by-passable with some difficulty. A minimum amount of engineer effort will be required on some by-passes so that they can accomodate large convoys. A minor terrain obstacle to foot troops is presented by the hill masses located throughout the area. Most of the streams are dry with the exception of those located in proximity to the coast, some of which will be obstacles during periods of high tide.

7. VC Hard Installations: There are no reported VC installations within the AO.

8. VC Forces: There are no known VC Main Force units within the AO. There are two local force companies known to operate within the AO. The 602 Local Force Battalion operates within the AO as well as the area north of the AO. This battalion was last reported vicinity ZT 2424 on 1 April 1966.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Annex B (Intelligence) to OPORD 4-66 (Austin) (U)

10. Summary: We can expect to encounter small VC local force elements throughout the AO. It is extremely doubtful if the 602 Local Force Battalion would fight as a battalion even if it were located within the AO. It is far more likely that this unit could stay broken down into smaller elements and employ strictly guerrilla tactics. Our chances of making contact with a Main Force unit are extremely remote. The 94th and 5th Main Force Regiments, normally operating to the southwest of the AO in Phuoc Tuy Province, have recently moved to new areas. The 94th Regiment (or elements thereof) has moved to northern Binh Tuy Province ("Rice Bowl" area) and elements participated in the attacks on Vo Xu. Elements of the 5th Regiment are presently located just north of Highway 1 along the Long Khanh/Phuoc Tuy border. These elements might be a threat against our motor movement if they remain in this location.

Acknowledge:

SMITH
Brig Gen

Appendices:

1. Obstacles on Highway 1
2. Order of Battle
3. Potential LZ's

DISTRIBUTION: Same as OPORD 4-66

OFFICIAL:

(H) *LaSita*
MARSHALL
C2

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Appendix 1 (Obstacles on Highway 1) to Annex B (Intelligence) to OPOD
4-66 (Austin) (U)

The following obstacles were observed through aerial reconnaissance
of National Route 1 east of Xuan Loc (YT 4309).

<u>COORDINATE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
YS 6803	Bridge out - bypass to the north
YS 7301	Deteriorated road
YS 8499	Bridge out - bypass to the south
YS 8899	Bridge out - ford to the north
YS 8999	Bridge out - no visible bypass
YS 9398	Bridge out - bypass to the south
YS 9798	Road craters
ZT 0800	Critical point - 2 bridges intact, no visible bypass
ZT 1501	Bridge out - bypass to the north
ZT 1702	Road cratered
ZT 2306	Road cratered
ZT 2407	Bridge out - bypass to the south
AN 0409	Bridge out - bypass to the south

Acknowledge:

SMITH
Brig Gen

DISTRIBUTION: Same as OPOD 4-66

OFFICIAL

(a) La Sala
MARSHALL
C2

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Appendix 1 (Obstacles on Highway 1) to Annex B (Intelligence) to OPORD
4-66 (Austin) (U)

The following obstacles were observed through aerial reconnaissance
of National Route 1 east of Xuan Loc (YT 4309).

<u>COORDINATE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
YS 6803	Bridge out - bypass to the north
YS 7301	Deteriorated road
YS 8499	Bridge out - bypass to the south
YS 8899	Bridge out - ford to the north
YS 8999	Bridge out - no visible bypass
YS 9398	Bridge out - bypass to the south
YS 9798	Road craters
ZT 0800	Critical point - 2 bridges intact, no visible bypass
ZT 1501	Bridge out - bypass to the north
ZT 1702	Road cratered
ZT 2306	Road cratered
ZT 2407	Bridge out - bypass to the south
AN 0409	Bridge out - bypass to the south

Acknowledge:

SMITH
Brig Gen

DISTRIBUTION: Same as OPORD 4-66

OFFICIAL

(a) LaSala
MARSHALL
C2

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Appendix 2 (Order of Battle) to Annex B (Intelligence) to OPOD 4-66
(Austin) (U)

1. The largest unit known to be operating within the AO is the 602nd Local Force Battalion. This unit is believed to be generally located astride the II Corps and III Corps boundary. In the eastern portion of the AO, the only reported VC units are a local force company and local force platoon.

2. Composition of VC Units:

602nd Local Force Battalion (Composed of 486, 487, 488 Companies--
last reported location was ZT 234240)

486th Company:

Strength: 120

Weapons:

- (2) 57mm RR's
- (1) 81mm mortar
- (1) 60mm mortar
- (1) 30 caliber MG
- (9) AR's
- assorted small arms

487th Company:

Strength: 100

Weapons:

- (1) 57mm RR
- (1) 60mm mortar
- (1) 30 caliber MG
- (9) AR's
- assorted small arms

488th Company:

Strength: 100

Weapons:

- (1) 60mm mortar
- (1) 30 caliber MG
- (9) AR's
- assorted small arms

460th Local Force Company (operational area--Binh Tuy Province, last reported location ZT 124988)

Weapons: assorted small arms

480th Local Force Platoon (Last reported location AN 750030)

Strength: 80

Weapons: assorted small arms

Acknowledge:

SMITH
Brig Gen

DISTRIBUTION: Same as OPOD 4-66

OFFICIAL:

(for) LaSala
MARSHALL
C2

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Appendix 2 (Order of Battle) to Annex B (Intelligence) to OPORD 4-66
(Austin) (U)

1. The largest unit known to be operating within the AO is the 602nd Local Force Battalion. This unit is believed to be generally located astride the II Corps and III Corps boundary. In the eastern portion of the AO, the only reported VC units are a local force company and local force platoon.

2. Composition of VC Units:

602nd Local Force Battalion (Composed of 486, 487, 488 Companies--
last reported location was ZT 234240)

486th Company:

Strength: 120

Weapons:

- (2) 57mm RR's
- (1) 81mm mortar
- (1) 60mm mortar
- (1) 30 caliber MG
- (9) AR's
- assorted small arms

487th Company:

Strength: 100

Weapons:

- (1) 57mm RR
- (1) 60mm mortar
- (1) 30 caliber MG
- (9) AR's
- assorted small arms

488th Company:

Strength: 100

Weapons:

- (1) 60mm mortar
- (1) 30 caliber MG
- (9) AR's
- assorted small arms

460th Local Force Company (operational area--Binh Tuy Province, last reported location ZT 124988)

Weapons: assorted small arms

480th Local Force Platoon (Last reported location AN 750030)

Strength: 80

Weapons: assorted small arms

Acknowledge:

SMITH
Brig Gen

DISTRIBUTION: Same as OPORD 4-66

OFFICIAL:

(for) LaSala
MARSHALL
C2

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Appendix 3 (Potential LZ's) to Annex B (Intelligence) to OPOD 4-66 (Austin)

The area covered is bounded by coordinates
YS9381, YS9485, ZT2010, ZT2707, AM7392, AM7382.

<u>NO.</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>MEASUREMENTS (METERS)</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
1.	ZT245055	1200 x 2800	Rice paddies, 100 dispersed
2.	ZT230038	1400 x 2200	Rice paddies, 100 dispersed
3.	ZT250044 to ZS216990	400 x 9000	Rice paddies with scattered brush & trees 100 dispersed
4.	ZT208033	600 x 600	Rice paddies, 100 dispersed or linear
5.	ZT195032	400 x 1100	Rice paddies with scattered brush & trees, 100 dispersed
6.	ZT193021	200 x 400	Rice paddies, 20 linear
7.	ZT184013	150 x 300	Rice paddies, wet, marginal use, 17 linear
8.	ZT181016	200 x 300	Rice paddies, 18 linear
9.	ZS146996	800 x 1400	Rice paddies, 100 dispersed
10.	ZS196995	500 x 900	Rice paddies with scattered brush & trees, 100 dispersed
11.	ZS150940	500 x 900	Rice paddies, 100 dispersed
12.	ZS167944 to ZS156922	600 x 4000	Rice paddies, 100 dispersed
13.	ZS180933	400 x 1100	Rice paddies with scattered brush & trees, 100 dispersed
14.	ZS195935	150 x 1200	Rice paddies with scattered brush & trees, 50 dispersed
15.	ZS178916	300 x 2200	Rice paddies with scattered brush & trees, 100 dispersed
16.	ZS201921	300 x 1200	Rice paddies, wet, marginal use, 100 linear
17.	ZS221921	200 x 1800	Rice paddies, 100 linear
18.	ZS163918 to ZS155871	1300 x 5400	Rice paddies, 100 dispersed
19.	ZS156914 to ZS145884	500 x 4500	Rice paddies, 100 linear
20.	ZS205883 to ZS270850	1800 x 7700	Rice paddies with scattered brush & trees, 100 dispersed
21.	ZS269919	100 x 1600	Rice paddies with scattered brush & trees, 40 dispersed
22.	ZS277947	200 x 1000	Rice paddies with scattered brush & trees, 50 dispersed
23.	ZS105865	400 x 1100	Rice paddies, wet, marginal use, 100 linear
24.	ZS071870 to ZS085844	500 x 3100	Rice paddies, 100 linear
25.	ZS026821 to ZS048807	1500 x 2500	Rice paddies, 100 dispersed
26.	ZS026810	1400 x 2000	Rice paddies, 100 dispersed
27.	YS990837	100 x 1300	Airstrip 65
28.	YS979873	400 x 600	Cleared area, scattered brush & trees, marginal use, 60 dispersed
29.	ZT080005	500 x 1400	" " " 100 dispersed
30.	YS971817	200 x 700	" " " 35 dispersed
31.	YS969837	100 x 1800	" " " 45 dispersed
32.	YS961841	100 x 300	" " " 8 dispersed
33.	YS958831	100 x 1000	" " " 25 dispersed

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Appendix 3 (Potential LZ's) to Annex B (Intelligence) to OPOD 4-66 (Austin) (U)

<u>NO.</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>MEASUREMENTS (METERS)</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
34.	YS942827	100 x 900	Cleared area, scattered brush & trees, marginal use, 25 dispersed
35.	YS958816	100 x 500	" " " 12 dispersed
36.	YS953808	100 x 1500	" " " 37 dispersed

Acknowledge:

SMITH
Brig Gen

DISTRIBUTION: Same as OPOD 4-66

OFFICIAL:

(f) LaSala
MARSHALL
C2

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Appendix 3 (Potential LZ's) to Annex B (Intelligence) to OPOD 4-66 (Austin)

The area covered is bounded by coordinates
YS9381, YS9485, ZT2010, ZT2707, AM7392, AM7382.

<u>NO.</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>MEASUREMENTS (METERS)</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
1.	ZT245055	1200 x 2800	Rice paddies, 100 dispersed
2.	ZT230038	1400 x 2200	Rice paddies, 100 dispersed
3.	ZT250044 to ZS216990	400 x 9000	Rice paddies with scattered brush & trees 100 dispersed
4.	ZT208033	600 x 600	Rice paddies, 100 dispersed or linear
5.	ZT195032	400 x 1100	Rice paddies with scattered brush & trees, 100 dispersed
6.	ZT193021	200 x 400	Rice paddies, 20 linear
7.	ZT184013	150 x 300	Rice paddies, wet, marginal use, 17 linear
8.	ZT181016	200 x 300	Rice paddies, 18 linear
9.	ZS146996	800 x 1400	Rice paddies, 100 dispersed
10.	ZS196995	500 x 900	Rice paddies with scattered brush & trees, 100 dispersed
11.	ZS150940	500 x 900	Rice paddies, 100 dispersed
12.	ZS167944 to ZS156922	600 x 4000	Rice paddies, 100 dispersed
13.	ZS180933	400 x 1100	Rice paddies with scattered brush & trees, 100 dispersed
14.	ZS195935	150 x 1200	Rice paddies with scattered brush & trees, 50 dispersed
15.	ZS178916	300 x 2200	Rice paddies with scattered brush & trees, 100 dispersed
16.	ZS201921	300 x 1200	Rice paddies, wet, marginal use, 100 linear
17.	ZS221921	200 x 1800	Rice paddies, 100 linear
18.	ZS163918 to ZS155871	1300 x 5400	Rice paddies, 100 dispersed
19.	ZS156914 to ZS145884	500 x 4500	Rice paddies, 100 linear
20.	ZS205883 to ZS270850	1800 x 7700	Rice paddies with scattered brush & trees, 100 dispersed
21.	ZS269919	100 x 1600	Rice paddies with scattered brush & trees, 40 dispersed
22.	ZS277947	200 x 1000	Rice paddies with scattered brush & trees, 50 dispersed
23.	ZS105865	400 x 1100	Rice paddies, wet, marginal use, 100 linear
24.	ZS071870 to ZS085844	500 x 3100	Rice paddies, 100 linear
25.	ZS026821 to ZS048807	1500 x 2500	Rice paddies, 100 dispersed
26.	ZS026810	1400 x 2000	Rice paddies, 100 dispersed
27.	YS990837	100 x 1300	Airstrip 65
28.	YS979873	400 x 600	Cleared area, scattered brush & trees, marginal use, 60 dispersed
29.	ZT080005	500 x 1400	" " " 100 dispersed
30.	YS971817	200 x 700	" " " 35 dispersed
31.	YS969837	100 x 1800	" " " 45 dispersed
32.	YS961841	100 x 300	" " " 8 dispersed
33.	YS958831	100 x 1000	" " " 25 dispersed

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Appendix 3 (Potential LZ's) to Annex B (Intelligence) to OPOD 4-66
(Austin) (U)

<u>NO.</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>MEASUREMENTS (METERS)</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
34.	YS942827	100 x 900	Cleared area, scattered brush & trees, marginal use, 25 dispersed
35.	YS958816	100 x 500	" " " 12 dispersed
36.	YS953808	100 x 1500	" " " 37 dispersed

Acknowledge:

SMITH
Brig Gen

DISTRIBUTION: Same as OPOD 4-66

OFFICIAL:

(fr) LaSala
MARSHALL
C2

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

SECRET

Copy No _____
Hqs 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
Bien Hoa, RVN
071600H April 1966
CHR

ANNEX C (Army Aviation) to OPOD 4-66 (Operation "AUSTIN")

Reference: Same as OPOD 4-66

1. Situation:

a. Enemy: Annex B (Intelligence)

b. Friendly:

- (1) 145th Aviation Battalion (Reinforced) provides troop lift and armed helicopters.
- (2) 125th Air Traffic Control Company provides air traffic control team to control operational airfield.

2. Mission: Same as OPOD 4-66.

a. Concept: OPOD 4-66

b. A/82:

- (1) Provide one (1) C&C helicopter to Bde Comd Group D-Day 0700 until termination.
- (2) Provide three (3) LFT's for convoy coverage D-Day 1100-1645 hrs.
- (3) Attach ten (10) UH-1D helicopters to 145th Aviation Battalion D-Day 0630 until D-Day 0930 hours, D+4 0830 until D+4 1030 hours and D+5 0630 until D+5 1450 hours.
- (4) Provide ten (10) UH-1D's to lift platoon (+) from Bde pads on D+2 0900 hours to operational area.
- (5) Provide two (2) UH-1D to Brigade LOC for resupply D+2&3, four (4) UH-1D D+4 and six (6) UH-1D's D+5 for duration. Direct coordination with BSO directed.
- (6) Maintain one (1) LFT on five minute standby at field location when not being utilized.
- (7) Provide one (1) OH-13S for Brigade standby D+2 0700-1900 hours for duration.
- (8) Be prepared to employ MAD system in operational area on thirty (30) minute notice.

C-1

SECRET

SECRET

- (9) Maintain ten (10) UH-1D's on thirty minute (30) standby for Eagle Flight D+2 1030-1800 hours and D+3 0700-1900 hours.
 - (10) Establish Army Aviation elements of FSCC in Brigade TOC D-Day until termination.
 - (11) Company (-): Direct support.
- c. 145th Aviation Battalion:
- Attached: A/82d Avn Bn (10 UH-1D) for Bn airmobile operations.
- (1) Provide one (1) LFT to be attached to A/82 D-Day 0700-1900.
 - (2) Provide one (1) C&C helicopter to CO 1/503 D-Day 0700-1700 for convoy control.
 - (3) Provide twenty (20) UH-1D's to airlift A 2/503, 180 troops, into LZ log base (YS 987843) commencing D-Day 0730-0830.
 - (4) Provide thirty (30) UH-1D's to airlift 1/503 from Psn B (ZS 976905) to Psn 1 (ZS 159893) D+3 commencing 0915 hours in two (2) lifts.
 - (5) Provide thirty (30) UH-1D's to airlift 1/RAR from Bien Hoa to YS 987843 and to Psn 2 (ZS 195938) in three (3) lifts on D+4 commencing 0730. Additional lift for same aircraft to transport 2/503 from log base to Psn 3 (ZS 151942) in two (2) lifts commencing 1400 hours D+4.
 - (6) Provide Ol-F for convoy coverage D-Day 0700-1700 and continuous aerial FO coverage commencing D+2 0700-1900 until termination of operation.
 - (7) provide four (4) CH-47's to lift one battery 3/319 on D+3 commencing 1030 hours from log base to Psn 1: Direct coordination authorized.
 - (8) Provide ten (10) CH-47's to lift KIWI battery from Bien Hoa to Bde log base D+1 0900; direct coordination authorized.
 - (9) Provide rapid refueling during airmobile operations.
- d. 125th Air Traffic Control Unit:
- (1) Provide portable tower unit with commo capability of VHF, UHF, Low Freq, FM and Automatic Direction Finding equipment.
 - (2) Provide complete air traffic control team to operate D-Day 0830 until termination of operation.

C-2

SECRET

SECRET

SECRET

- (3) Hours of operation to include 00+30 before sunrise and 00+30 after sunset.
- (4) Control team will be controlling air force heavy traffic and army fixed and rotary wing traffic.
- (5) Unit to be attached to Hqs 173d Abn Bde (Sep) for supplies and rations.

e. Coordinating Instructions:

- (1) Load six (6) troops per UH-1D on D-Day 0730 hours.
- (2) Staging area for UH-1D D-Day and D+3 will be the Snake Pit. Staging area for CH-47 on D+1 will be runway 15-33 Bien Hoa.
- (3) CH-47 loading plan maximum ACL 9500 lbs.
- (4) Loading time for all lifts per sequence of events, Annex D.
- (5) UH-1D on D-Day will be organized in three (3) flights, elements of ten (10) UH-1D's each. One minute between elements.
- (6) UH-1D on D+3&4 will be organized in four (4) flights, elements of ten (10) UH-1D's each. One minute between elements.
- (7) Air Traffic control into Bde Log Base (YS 987843) will be controlled by an air traffic control team, frequencies to be announced, and COWBOY CONTROL on UHF 312.3, FM 39.7. Aircraft entering operational area must contact these units for clearance and information on artillery fire and tactical air strikes.
- (8) VCC collection point located at Bde Log Base, helipad marked with pannels contact COWBOY CONTROL on frequency 39.7 when inbound with VCC.

Acknowledge

SMITH
Brig Gen

Distribution: Annex Z

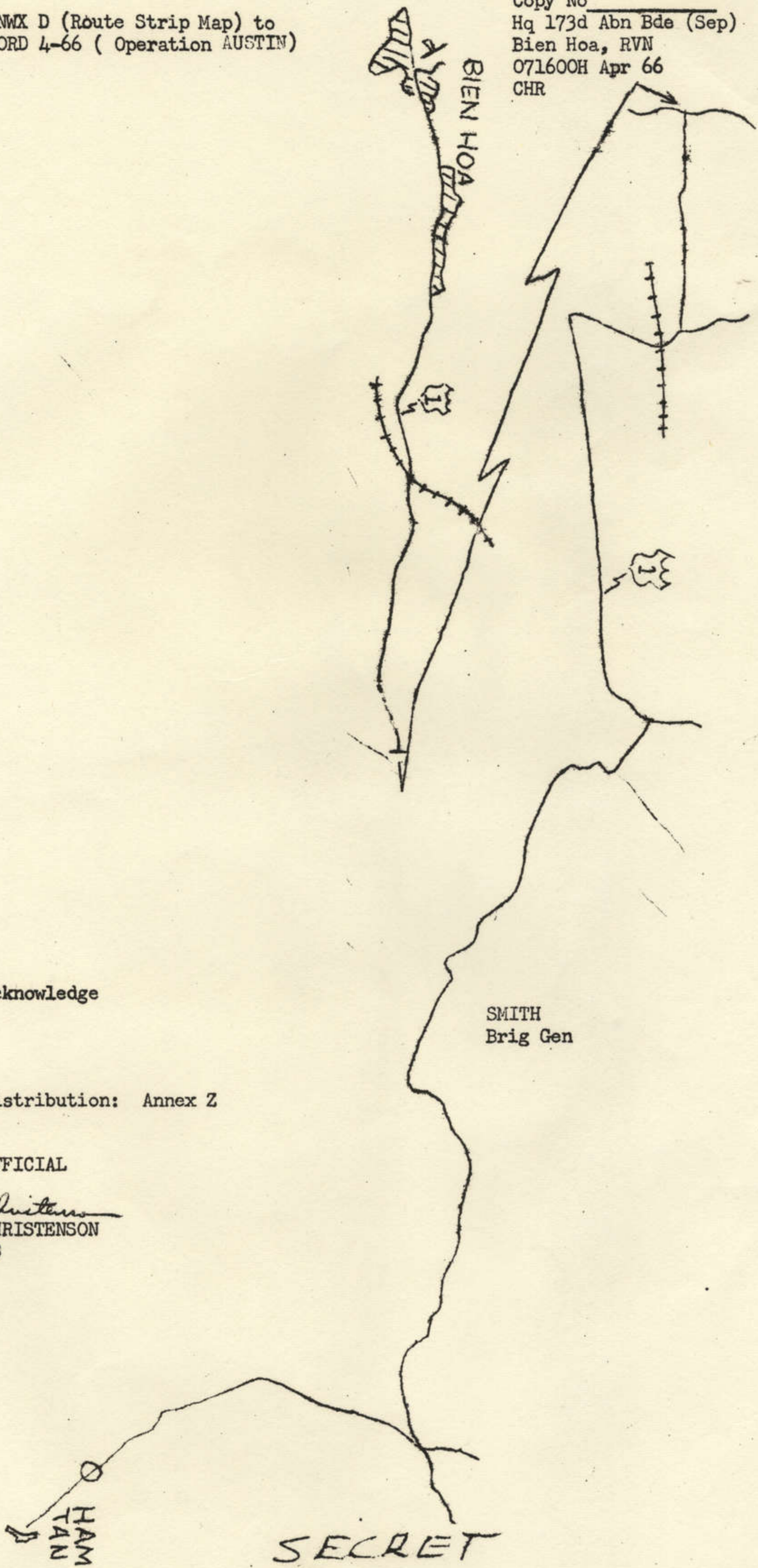
OFFICIAL

Hathcock
HATHCOCK
Asst Avn Off

SECRET

ANNWX D (Route Strip Map) to
OPORD 4-66 (Operation AUSTIN)

Copy No _____
Hq 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
Bien Hoa, RVN
071600H Apr 66
CHR



Acknowledge

Distribution: Annex Z

OFFICIAL

Christenson
CHRISTENSON
C3

SECRET

SECRET

Copy
Hq 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
Bien Hoa, RVN
071600H
CHR

Annex E (Chemical) to Operations Order 4-66 (AUSTIN)

1. SITUATION:
 - a. Enemy situation: Annex B (Intelligence)
 - b. Friendly situation: OPOD 4-66
2. MISSION: To route enemy forces from fortified and tunneled positions using tear gas and flame. To prevent continued use of fortified positions, tunnels, and caches by contamination with CS-1.
3. ASSUMPTION:
 - a. Concept: Units with organic capability will provide their own Mity Mite and flamethrower support based at BSOC (Fwd). Time permitting all tunnel complexes will be contaminated with CS-1 after system has been searched. Food caches not evacuated will be scattered and contaminated by CS-1 or destroyed.
 - (1) A/82 Aviation: Be prepared to employ air delivered CS grenades utilizing XM-3 rocket system. Position system at BSOC (Fwd).
 - (2) 51st Cml Det (Abn): Provide limited support at Bde Fwd CP
 - (3) Support Battalion: Maintain following at BSOC:
 - (a) CS Grenades(M7A3) - 1000 ea
 - (b) HC Smoke Pot(30 lb) - 9 ea
 - (c) CS-1(powder) - 3 drums
 - (d) Thickner, M1 - 12 cans(60 lb)
 - (e) Ignition cylinders - 1 box(50 cans)
 - (f) Grenade Launcher Adapter(M2A1) - 150 ea
 - (g) Grenade, CS(M25A2) - 150 ea
 - (4) Coordinating Instructions:
 - (a) Request for air delivered CS will be directed to Bde C-3 using the code word "TEARDROP"
 - (b) Units will fit and test protective masks prior to commencing operation
 - (c) Caution will be used when searching tunnels flushed with HC Smoke. HC Smoke reduces the oxygen level.

SECRET

SECRET

Annex E (Chemical) to Operations Order 4-66 (Austin)

(d) All uses of riot control agents will be reported ASAP to C-3 as follows:

DTG/Coord _____
No/Type Munition _____
Effect on Enemy _____

(e) Basic load of M7A3 (CS) grenades will be carried:
48 per Rifle Co, Cav Trp, Armor Co, Eng Co
16 per all other company size units

4. ADMIN and LOGISTICS: Annex G

5. COMMAND and SIGNAL: OPOD 4-66

Acknowledge

SMITH
Brig Gen

Distribution: Annex Z

OFFICIAL:

D. ...
Duncan
Col Off

SECRET

SECRET
NO
DISSEM
BY
DATE
BY
DATE

SECRET

SECRET

Copy No
HQ, 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
BIEN HOA, RVN
071600H Apr 66
CHR

Annex F (Civil Affairs, Civic Action, and Psy Ops) to OPORD 4-66

References: Same as OPORD 4-66.

1. Situation:

- a. Enemy forces. Annex B (Intelligence) to OPORD 4-66
- b. Friendly forces. Task organization, OPORD 4-66

2. Execution:

a. Civil Affairs.

(1) Brigade C-5 will coordinate with and assist the local authorities in the re-establishment of civil government, public safety, health, and welfare, in areas secured by the Brigade.

(2) Brigade C-5 will coordinate with and assist local authorities in the control, care, resettlement, or other disposition of displaced persons, refugees, and evacuees.

b. Civic Action.

(1) Subordinate units will make maximum use of capabilities within their units for the conduct of Civic Action in the Brigade TAOR.

(2) All Civic Action projects will be of such nature that they can be completed prior to the termination of the operation and will make a strong impression on the local populace.

c. Psychological Operations.

(1) Brigade C-5 will be prepared to conduct loudspeaker and leaflet operations in the Brigade TAOR in accordance with the existing psychological conditions and tactical situation.

(2) Psychological Objectives.

(a) Convince the local populace that the US, ARVN, and Allied forces will defeat the Viet Cong.

(b) Convince the Viet Cong that resistance to the powerful Allied force in the area is futile and that they should rally to the GVN.

(c) Create a favorable impression of the US and Allied forces on the local populace.

(d) Instill in the local populace, confidence in local officials and the GVN.

d. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Brigade C-5 will coordinate with District and Village officials on matters pertaining to Civil Affairs, Civic Action, and Psychological Operations activities in the Brigade TAOR.

(2) Subordinate units will coordinate with the Brigade C-5 on matters pertaining to Civil Affairs, Civic Action, and Psychological Operations activities.

(3) Refugees will not be extracted from the area of operations except as directed.

SECRET

SECRET

Annex F (Civil Affairs, Civic Action, and Psy Ops) to OPORD 4-66.

(4) Brigade C-5 will coordinate with Field Force II V for printed media and psychological operations aircraft support.

(5) Brigade C-5 will coordinate with US and GVN governmental agency representatives in the Brigade TAOR for assistance and support in Civil Affairs, Civic Action, and Psychological Operations activities.

(6) Curfew hours outside of towns and villages and on rivers and along the coast is 2100 hrs to 0500 hrs.

4. Administration and Logistics.

a. Administration. Annex G (Admin) to OPORD 4-66.

b. Logistics.

(1) Subordinate units will request organic psychological operations aircraft missions through the Brigade C-5.

(2) Motor transport support for Civic Action activities will be provided on request through Brigade C-5.

5. Command and Signal.

a. Signal. Annex I (Signal) to OPORD 4-66.

b. Command. Paragraph 5, OPORD 4-66.

Acknowledge:

SMITH
Brig Gen

OFFICIAL:

Butler
BUTLER
C-5

SECRET

SECRET
CLASSIFIED BY: [illegible]
DATE: [illegible]
BY: [illegible]

SECRET

SECRET

Copy No
HQ 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
Bien Hoa, RVN
071600H APR 66
CHR

Annex G (Administration) to OPORD 4-66 (AUSTIN)

Reference: Same as OPORD 4-66

1. General.

- a. Purpose. This annex set forth policy and procedures for the administrative and logistical support of OPORD 4-66.
- b. Concept. 173d Support Battalion establishes Bde Spt Opns Cntr (BSOC) vic of Han Tan airfield coor YS986844. BSOC will commence operations on D-Day and prepare to receive 3 days all classes of supply. 1st LOG Comd will utilize unit distribution method of supply for Class I, III and V, delivery at Ham Tan airfield coor YS986844. Spt Bn will provide Class II & IV supplies from unit stocks at Bien Hoa and maintain elements of Bde Supply. Bde Maint and Co B (Med). Primary flow of supplies will be by Fixed Wing aircraft from Bien Hoa and Saigon Logistics area resources to Ham Tan Thence by UH-1 aircraft to committed units in area of operations as requested. Units will attach supply personnel to BSOC to operate unit trains complexes.
- c. All requests for resupply must be processed through the BSOC at HAM TAN. BSOC monitors the Bde Intel/Admin-Log net at the Brigade Supply Office (BSO) in the operational area.

2. Supply and Services

a. Supply

(1) Class I

- (a) All units deploying will carry 3 meals of C-Rations for each man.
- (b) BSOC class I point will carry 9 meals of C-ration for each man of the Brigade Force.
- (c) Meal schedule is as follows:

	<u>Breakfast</u>	<u>Dinner</u>	<u>Supper</u>
D-Day	A	C	C
D+1 and there after	C	C	A

- (d) The evening A-Ration meal is optional.

(2) Class II & IV. All request for II & IV items should be submitted to the BSO at least 24 hours prior to desired delivery. Every effort will be made to effect eariler delivery.

(3) Class III & IIIA

(a) Class III

1. All vehicle will depart with full tanks and carry one full 5 gallon can.
2. BSO will have available 600 gal of MOGAS and 600 gal of DIESEL for use during motor march.
3. BSOC will establish DP's for MOGAS and DIESEL. BSOC will make available 115/145 AVGAS for FAC and FO fixed - wing aircraft.

(b) Class III A

1. A/82 Avn will establish a refueling facility for JP-4 at HAM TAN airfield.

SECRET

SECRET

2. A/82 Avn will have four (4) 1200 gallon JP-4 tankers available for refueling at HAM TAN.

- (4) Class V
 - (a) All units carry basic load as prescribed by unit commanders.
 - (b) BSOC established C1 V DP at HAM TAN for all ammunition.
- (5) Water
 - (a) All personnel will carry two (2) full 1 quart canteens or one (1) full two (2) quart collapsible canteen.
 - (b) 173d Eng Co will establish one water point vic HAM TAN airfield.
- (6) Salvage
 - (a) BSOC well establish a salvage collection point at HAM TAN airfield.
 - (b) Materiel requiring evacuation which is beyond unit capability will be referred to Co "D" (Maint) element of the BSOC.

b. Transportation

- (1) Motor transportation
 - (a) All units submit motor transportation requirements to the Brigade motor Plans and Transport Officer (Provide 42) NLT 080800 April.
 - (b) "D" 16th Armor and 1/503 Inf will provide one (1) 5 ton wrecker for the motor march from Bien Hoa to HAM TAN.
 - (c) Army Aviation. Army aircraft sorties allocated for re-supply operations will be coordinated by the BSOC.

c. Services

- (1) Maintenance
 - (a) Units will provide own 2d echelon maintenance capabilities for armament and signal items and organizational maintenance for all other items of equipment.
 - (b) Co "D" (Maint) will provide one (1) 5 ton wrecker and a maintenance Detachment for use during motor march.
 - (c) Co "D" (Maint) will establish limited armament, signal, and automotive field maintenance capability in the BSOC.
- (2) Trains
 - (a) CO, 173d Spt Bn will coordinate the location and areas for unit trains in the vicinity of the BSOC.
 - (b) All units will provide sufficient personnel to the BSOC to rig loads for resupply by helicopter. 173d Spt Bn will provide technical assistance and supervision.

3. MEDICAL SERVICES.

- a. Unit Aidmen will accompany all platoon size units.
- b. Battalion Surgeons will be utilized at clearing station level.
- c. Co "B" (Med) will support the Brigade TF from airstrip at Ham Tan.
- d. Evacuation from an individual unit to Co "B" (Med) will be by Helicopter Medical Evacuation (MEDEVAC). MEDEVAC request will follow SOP as prescribed here and in the SOI. All MEDEVAC requests will contain the following information:
 - a. Callsign of requesting unit
 - b. Type of casualty:
 - "Lima - Litter Patient
 - "Whisky" - Walking Patient
 - "Delta" - Deceased
 - c. Number of casualties
 - d. Evacuation priority for each type casualty:
 - A = Urgent
 - B = Priority
 - C = Routine
 - e. Location using point of origin code
- e. Evacuation from the clearing station will be by the most suitable of the following available and already coordinated methods: Helicopter or fixed wing (61st Avn Co, 9th Aerial Evac Squadron, available supply aircraft) to 36th Evac at Very Tan; fixed wing (see preceding para) to Bien Hoa.

2

SECRET

SECRET

- f. Brigade Surgeon designates surgeon to provide routine medical coverage at Brigade rear.
4. PERSONNEL. Appendix 1 (Personnel) to Annex G (Administration to OPORD 4-66.
Acknowledge.

SMITH
Brig Gen

Appendix: 1-Personnel

DISTRIBUTION: Same as OPORD 4-66

OFFICAL:

[Signature]
SPARKS
C4

SECRET

SECRET

ANNEX H (Fire Support) to OPORD 4-66

1. Situation: OPORD 4-66

2. Mission: OPORD 4-66

3. Execution: OPORD 4-66

a. Concept: OPORD 4-66

b. Air Support:

(1) General:

(a) Current air operations to continue until D-Day.

(b) Air support to be provided by 7th Air Force upon request.

(2) Allocations:

(a) Air support requests should be forwarded to Bde ALO prior to 0900 daily. All requests will be honored within limits of available resources.

(b) Each maneuver Bn will be allocated one (1) FAC team.

(c) One airborne FAC will be on station during daylight hours and 30 minute standby during hours of darkness.

(d) Bde ALO will be located with Forward CP.

c. Artillery Support:

(1) General - Arty support will be provided by 3/319th Arty, 161 RNZA and Naval gunfire.

(2) Organization for combat:

(a) A/3/319 DS 2/503

(b) B/3/319 GS 173

(c) C/3/319 DS 1/503

(d) 161 RNZA GS 173, attached 1/RAR on order.

(e) naval gunfire GS 173

(f) 4.2 Platoon 1/503 - Detach 1/503 - attached E/17

(g) 4.2 Platoon 2/503 - Detach 2/503 - attached E/17

H-1

SECRET

SECRET

SECRET

d. Coordinating Instructions:

(1) Priority of Psn Areas:

(a) DS Units

(b) Others

(2) All arty, mortar, naval gunfire and air strikes will be cleared thru Bde FSCC.

(3) Firing units post air guard to ensure G-T line clear of aircraft during firing.

(4) One Navy gunfire liaison team will accompany each maneuver Bn and Brigade TOC.

(5) Arty aerial observer will be on station 0700-1900 hrs daily throughout the operation. AO report to Bn FDC on FCN for instructions.

4. Administration and Logistics: OPORD 4-66

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL:

a. Current SOI in effect.

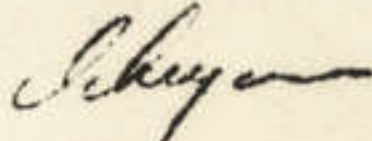
b. Bde CP at BSOC initially.

Acknowledge

SMITH
Brig Gen

Distribution: Annex Z

OFFICIAL



ICHIYAMA
FSC

H-2

SECRET

SECRET

SECRET

Copy No _____
HQs 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
Bien Hoa, Viet Nam
071600H Apr 66
CHR

Annex I (Signal) to Operation Order 4-66 (AUSTIN)

I. SITUATION

- A. Enemy Forces
- 1) Annex B (Intelligence)
 - 2) The enemy has the capability to monitor, enter and disrupt all types of radio communications.
- B. Friendly Forces
- 1) Task Organization
 - 2) Signal Platoon, 125th Signal Battalion

II. MISSION: Provide communications to support the Brigade mission in the area of operation.

III. EXECUTION

A. Concept of Operation: Radio will be the primary means of communications followed by installation of wire to units when tactical situation and distance permits.

B. Brigade Communications Platoon: Provide operators and equipment for 2 FM radio nets, one SSB net, switchboard, 20 telephones and 25 miles field wire.

C. Signal Platoon, 125th Signal Battalion: Provide three AN/MRC-69s, one AN/GRC-46, one AN/MGC-17 with operators with operators to install communications as directed by II FFV and Bde SigO.

D. Coordinating Instructions

- 1) All units will be prepared to terminate telephone circuit from Bde.
- 2) Units will maintain stations in the Bde Command Net FM and Bde Intel/Admin Net FM 24 hours daily using RC-292 antennas.
- 3) All units, less RAR, will be prepared to operate with KY-8's crypto devices.
- 4) Radio relay will provide telephone communications to units operating in and near the fire support area.
- 5) Telephone Trunking, Radio Nets, Situation Report - Appendix 1

IV. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS: Annex G

V. COMMAND AND SIGNAL

- A. Radio Nets 20-14, Codes HE-744 and JJ-1114 in effect.
- B. Units report CP locations when established.
- C. Bde SigO located at Bde Fwd CP.

ACKNOWLEDGE

SMITH
Brig Gen

DISTRATBUTION; Annex Z (Distrabution)

OFFICIAL

Christensen
CHRISTENSEN

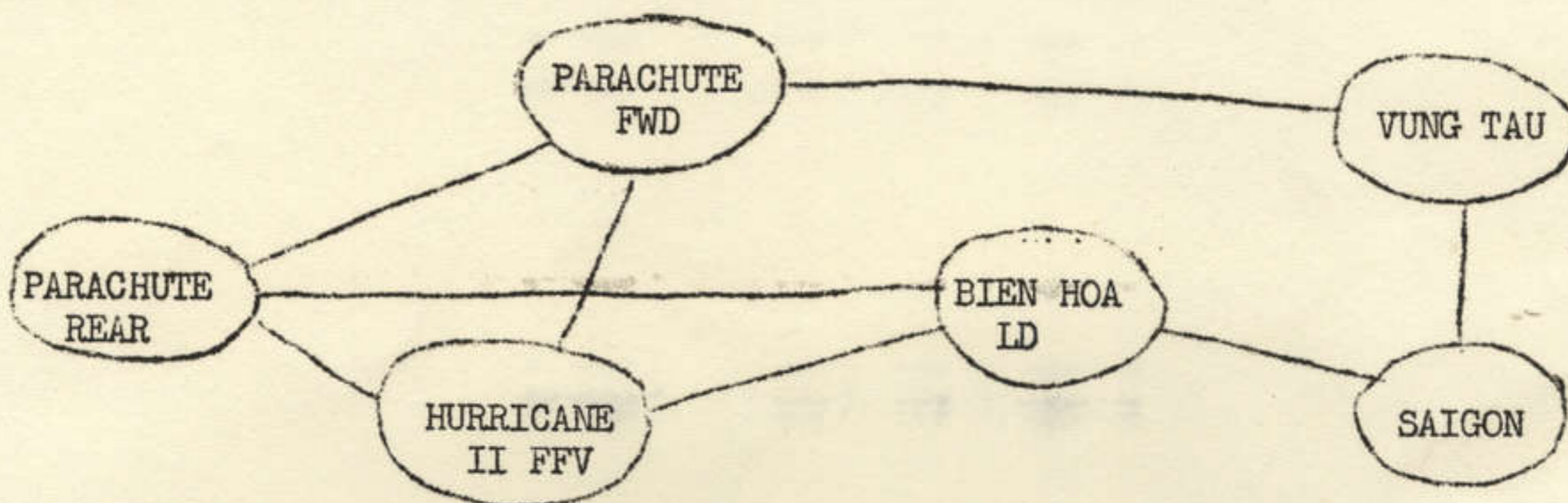
C3

SECRET

SECRET

Copy No _____
HQs, 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
Bien Hoa, Viet Nam
071600H Apr 66
CHR

Appendix 1 (Telephone Trunking, Radio Nets, Situation Report) to Annex I (Signal) to Operation Order 4-66 (AUSTIN)



RADIO NETS

Bde Cnd Net	CG	
SMART BACKER 42.3 (P)	S3	9
NITRATE SHARES 44.9 (S)	S3Ops	10
<u>1st Bn, 503d</u>		
WILLOW DAGGER 41.9 (P)	CO	6
SPENCER MARCH 49.1 (S)	S3	7
<u>2nd Bn, 503d</u>		
WEIRD RAIDER 30.1 (P)	CO	3
SAFETY PIPES 38.8 (S)	S3	2
<u>RAR</u>		
SUNRAY 39.3 (P) 43.1 (S)		
<u>3rd Bn, 319th</u>		
CORKY STORES 37.3 (P)	CO	1
MARLIN STICH 36.2 (S)	S3	3
AVIATION NET		39.7

SITUATION REPORT

1. BN CP (CO) LOCATED " _____ "
2. A CO LOCATED " _____ "
3. B CO LOCATED " _____ "
4. C CO LOCATED " _____ "
5. D CO LOCATED " _____ "
6. MORTARS LOCATED " _____ "
7. RECON LOCATED " _____ "
8. FRIENDLY
 - A. ACTIONS " _____ "
 - B. KIA " _____ "
 - C. WIA " _____ "
9. ENEMY
 - A. ACTIONS " _____ "
 - B. KIA " _____ "
 - C. VCC " _____ "
 - D. WEAPONS " _____ "

TRANSMIT ONLY LINE NUMBER AND WHAT IS BETWEEN ITALICS " _____ "

SECRET

SECRET

Copy No _____
Hq, 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
Bien Hoa, RVN
071600H April 1966
CHR

ANNEX J (Sequence of Events to OPOD 4-66 (Opn AUSTIN))

References: Same as OPOD 4-66

<u>ITEM NO</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>SEQUENCE OF EVENTS</u>	<u>CONTROL UNIT</u>
<u>9 April 1966 (D-Day)</u>			
1	0630	173d Bde road convoy departs Bien Hoa A Co	1/503
2	0730	A Co 2/503 departs Bien Hoa for Ham Tan airfield via helicopter	2/503
3	0830	A Co 2/503 arrives and secures Ham Tan airfield	2/503
4	0930	1st lift C-130-2/503 departs Bien Hoa	Spt Bn
5	1000	1st lift C-130-2/503 arrives Ham Tan airfield	Spt Bn
6	1000	2nd lift C-130-Spt Bn Pers & Fork Lift depart Bien Hoa airfield	Spt Bn
7	1030	2nd lift C-130-Spt Bn Pers & Fork Lift arrives Ham Tan airfield	Spt Bn
8	1030	3rd lift C-130-2/503 departs Bien Hoa airfield	Spt Bn
9	1100	3rd lift C-130-2/503 arrives Ham Tan airfield	Spt Bn
10	1100	4th lift C-130-2/503 departs Bien Hoa airfield	Spt Bn
11	1130	4th lift C-130-2/503 arrives Ham Tan airfield	Spt Bn
12	1130	5th lift C-130-2/503 departs Bien Hoa airfield	Spt Bn
13	1200	5th lift C-130-2/503 arrives Ham Tan airfield	Spt Bn
14	1030-1800	1st Log Cnd begins placement of supplies at Ham Tan airfield	Spt Bn
15	1300	2/503 dispatches patrols in Ham Tan area	2/503
16	1600	1/503, D/16th Armor establish Bn base at Psn B	1/503
17	1645	Bde convoy arrives Ham Tan	1/503
18	1800-100600	Night security activities at Psn B and Ham Tan airfield	All units
<u>10 April 1966 (D+1)</u>			
19	0600-1800	1/503 and 2/503 conduct saturation patrols in AO's	1/503 2/503
20	0800	161st Arty Btry RNZA departs Bien Hoa by CH-47	Spt Bn
21	0900	Organic helicopters available for Eagle Flights Bde	

SECRET

SECRET

ANNEX J (Sequence of Events) Continued

<u>ITEM NO</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>SEQUENCE OF EVENTS</u>	<u>CONTROL UNIT</u>
22	0800-1800	Build up of supplies by 1st Log Cmd at Ham Tan continues	Spt Bn
23	0800-1800	E/17 Cav conducts reconnaissance between BSOC and Psn A	E/17
24	1800-110600	Night security activities at Psn B and Ham Tan	All units
<u>11 April 1966 (D+2)</u>			
25	0600-1800	1/503 and 2/503 conduct saturation patrols in AO's	1/503 2/503
26	0800-1800	E/17 Cav conducts reconnaissance vic Ham Tan	E/17
27	0730	Organic helicopters available for Eagle Flights	Bde
28	1800-120600	Night security activities at Psn B and Ham Tan airfield	All units
<u>12 April 1966 (D+3)</u>			
29	0700	E/17 Cav and one Btry 3/319 move to Psn A	E/17
30	0900	one Btry 3/319 in position at Psn A	3/319
31	0915	1st lift 1/503 departs Psn B for Psn 1	1/503
32	0915	D/16 Armor, departs Psn B, enroute BSOC	D/16
33	0930	1st lift 1/503 lands Psn 1	1/503
34	0945	2nd lift 1/503 departs Psn B for Psn 1	1/503
35	1000	2nd helilift 1/503 lands Psn 1	1/503
36	1030	Btry 3/319 lifted to Psn 1 by CH-47	3/319
37	1200	Fire support base convoy departs BSOC, Ham Tan escorted by D/16 Armor, PWLH picks up Btry 3/319 from Psn A enroute. E/17 returns BSOC.	3/319
38	1430	Fire support base closes on Psn 1	3/319
39	1800-130600	Night security activities at Ham Tan and Psn 1	All units
<u>13 April 1966 (D+4)</u>			
40	0730	1st lift 1/RAR departs Bien Hoa enroute Ham Tan airfield	1/RAR
41	0830	1st lift 1/RAR arrives Ham Tan airfield	1/RAR
42	0930	Helicopters refuel at Bien Hoa	A/82
43	1000	2nd lift 1/RAR departs Bien Hoa for Psn 2	1/RAR
44	1100	2nd lift 1/RAR lands Psn 2	1/RAR
45	1120	3rd lift 1/RAR departs Ham Tan airfield enroute Psn 2	1/RAR

SECRET

SECRET

<u>ITEM NO</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>SEQUENCE OF EVENTS</u>	<u>CONTROL UNIT</u>
46	1140	3rd lift 1/RAR arrive Psn 2	1/RAR
47	1200	Helicopters refuel Ham Tan airfield	A/82
48	1300	D/16 Armor and Btry 3/319 depart Psn 1 for Psn 2	1/RAR
49	1400	D/16 Armor and Btry 3/319 link up with 1/RAR at Psn 2	1/RAR
50	1400	1st lift 2/503 departs Ham Tan airfield for Psn 3	2/503
51	1415	1st lift 2/503 lands on Psn 3	2/503
52	1430	2nd lift 2/503 departs Ham Tan airfield for Psn 3	2/503
53	1445	2nd lift 2/503 arrives Psn 3	2/503
54	1800- 140600	Night security activities at Ham Tan airfield Psn 1, Psn 2, and Psn 3	All units
<u>14 April 1966 (D+5)</u>			
55	0600	Bde operations continue	Bde

Acknowledge

SMITH
Brig Gen

DISTRIBUTION: Annex Z

OFFICIAL

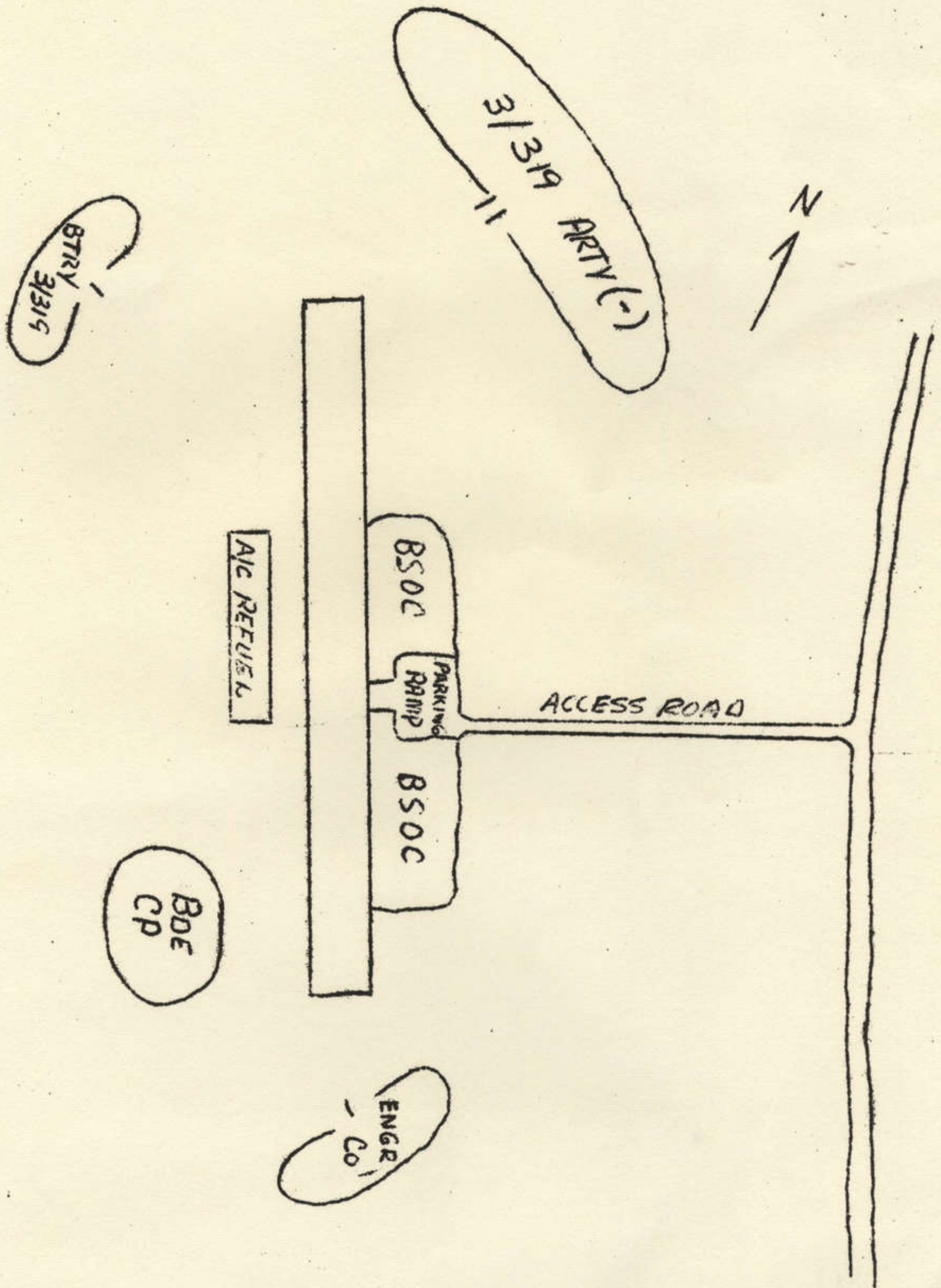

CHRISTENSON
C3

SECRET

SECRET

ANNEX K (Schematic Diagram Base Camp)
to OPORD 4-66 (Operation AUSTIN)

Copy No _____
Hq 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
Bien Hoa, RVN
071600H April 1966
CHR



Acknowledge

SMITH
Brig Gen

DISTRIBUTION: Annex Z

OFFICIAL

Christenson
CHRISTENSON
C3

SECRET

SECRET

ANNEX L (Points of Origin) to OPORD 4-66

9 Apr 66
0594 COUNTRY
0387 BOY
9798 FISH

16 Apr 66
0793 GIRL
2201 RIVER
2589 COLOR

10 Apr 66
9783 GIRL
0396 CAR
9700 DOG

17 Apr 66
1001 OCEAN
1488 CAR
2703 DOG

11 Apr 66
9880 COLOR
0390 CITY
0102 BOY

18 Apr 66
0794 FRUIT
1787 CITY
2498 TREE

12 Apr 66
0183 RIVER
9894 TREE
0198 FISH

19 Apr 66
1094 SPORT
2099 COUNTRY
2391 BOY

13 Apr 66
0685 COUNTRY
1400 COLOR
2396 BOY

20 Apr 66
0901 BEER
1391 COLOR
2695 FISH

14 Apr 66
2203 FRUIT
2390 CAR
0896 CITY

21 Apr 66
2699 GIRL
1401 STATE
1091 CAR

15 Apr 66
1388 DOG
2403 FISH
0703 TREE

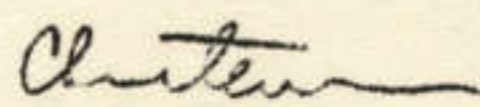
22 Apr 66
2292 FRUIT
0899 CITY
1087 RIVER

Acknowledge

SMITH
Brig Gen

Distribution: Annex Z

OFFICIAL


CHRISTENSON
C3

SECRET

SECRET

ANNEX Z (Distribution) to OPORD 4-66

RECIPIENT

COPY NO

CG	1
DCO	2
XO	3
C1	4
C2	5
C3	6-9
C4	10
C5	11
1/503	12-15
2/503	16-19
1/RAR	20-23
3/319	24-27
Spt Bn	28-29
145th Avn	30
Bde Surgeon	31-32
Bde Avn Off	33
Co A/82	34
HHC	35
Hq Cndt	36
D/16	37
E/17	38
Engr	39
Bde Chem Off	40
RRU Det	41
172d MI	42
Bde ALO	43
Bde FSCC	44
Bde Commo	45
Bde PMO	46
COMAAFV	47
II FFV	48-51
Bde Engr Off	52
ADMIN Co	53
I FFV	54
Historical File	55-60
SPARE 1	61
SPARE 2	62
SPARE 3	63-65

Acknowledge

SMITH
Brig Gen

Distribution: Annex Z

OFFICIAL

Christenson
CHRISTENSON
C3

SECRET

CD

28

MAT
CLASSIFICATION

HEADQUARTERS



ALL THE WAY

173RD

AIRBORNE BDESER



OP ORD

10

1865

MAT
CLASSIFICATION

MAT

Copy No 28
Hq 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
Bien Hoa, RVN
171200H July 1965
RMN

OPERATION ORDER 18-65

References: Same as OPORD 17-65

TASK ORGANIZATION:

TF 1/503:

1/503d Inf
One (1) Squad, 173d Engr Co
2 Vietnamese Police
2 Scout Dog Teams (3 men, 2 dogs)
One (1) Detachment, 3d RRU
One (1) Detachment, 172d MI

TF 2/503:

2/503d Inf
One (1) Squad, 173d Engr Co
2 Vietnamese Police
2 Scout Dog Teams (3 men, 2 dogs)
One (1) Detachment, 3d RRU
One (1) Detachment, 172d MI

TF 3/319:

3/319th Arty
One (1) Section, Mortar Plat, 1/503d Inf
Composite Plat, 173d Spt Bn (40 men) (Effective 230600H Jul 65)
One (1) Detachment, 3d RRU

TF 1/RAR: (Bde Reserve)

1/RAR

TF D/16th Armor (Captain Jordan, Commanding)

D/16th Armor
E/17th Cav
Engr Det, 173d Engr Co
One (1) Detachment, 3d RRU
One (1) Detachment, 172d MI

TF Rear (Lt Col Staigers, Commanding)

173d Spt Bn
HHC
173d Engr Co (-)
1/503 (Rear)
2/503 (Rear)
E/17 (Rear)
D/16 (Rear)

MAT is a Vietnamese classification equivalent to SECRET and will be handled accordingly.

This document is regraded CONFIDENTIAL upon termination of operation and may be destroyed. No certificates of destruction required by this headquarters.

184F/173/3/JUL 65 MAT

1. SITUATION:

MAT

a. Enemy (Annex A, Intelligence)

b. Friendly:

(1) U.S. Air Force provides tactical air support to 173d Abn Bde.

(2) 145th Avn Bn provides direct support aircraft to 173d Abn Bde.

2. MISSION: 173d Abn Bde conducts search and destroy operations in TAOR 18-65 commencing 220300H Jul 65 to find, fix and destroy Viet Cong forces, supplies and equipment (Annex F, Operation Overlay).

3. EXECUTION:

a. Concept of Operation: 173d Abn Bde conducts search and destroy operations in five (5) phases.

Phase I -- TF 1/503, 2/503 and D/16 move by convoy to Assembly Area Position QUEEN (vic coord XT 9724) commencing D-Day H-Hour (211400H July 65)

Phase II -- TF 1/503, 2/503 and D/16 cross LP 0800 hours D+1 (220800 Jul 65) and conduct search and destroy operation through D+5 (26 Jul 65).

Phase III -- TF 3/319 displaces to Position KING by echelon on D+2 (23 Jul 65)

Phase IV -- TF 1/503 and 2/503 are extracted by airlift and TF D/16 conducts river crossing on D+5 (26 July 1965).

Phase V -- TF 3/319 returns to Base Camp on completion of extraction.

b. TF 1/503:

(1) Secure Position ACE NLT 1200 hrs D+5 (261200H Jul 65)

(2) Link up with TF 2/503 at Check Point (YT 091226) NLT 1300 hrs D+5 (261300H Jul 65) and assist passage of TF 2/503.

(3) Cover extraction of TF 2/503 which commences 1430 hrs D+5 (261430H Jul 65).

(4) Prepare for your extraction from Position ACE to commence immediately after extraction of TF 2/503

c. TF 2/503:

(1) Link up with TF 1/503 at Check Point (YT 091226) NLT 1300 hrs D+5 (261300H Jul 65)

(2) Extract by airlift from secured Position ACE commencing 1430 hrs D+5 (261430H Jul 65)

d. TF 3/319:

(1) Provide direct support fires to TF initially from present positions.

(2) Move by echelon to Position KING on D+2 (23 Jul 65)

(3) Be prepared to release attached security force to parent-unit control on Bde order.

MAT

(4) Return to present position by convoy upon completion of extraction of TF 1/503 on D+5.

(5) Annex C, Fire Support.

e. TF D/16:

(1) Initially attached to TF REAR for convoy security to Position QUEEN, released on Bde order.

(2) Screen Bde South (right) flank from D+1 to D+5.

(3) Select crossing sites vic YT 0719.

(4) Conduct river crossing NLT 1200 hrs D+5 (261200H Jul 65) and return to Base Camp.

f. TF Rear:

(1) TF D/16 attached D-Day (21 Jul 65) for convoy security, detached on Bde order.

(2) Move TF 1/503 and 2/503 to Position QUEEN commencing D-Day H-Hour (211400H Jul 65). Close vehicles back to Base Camp NLT 1900 hrs D-Day (211900H Jul 65).

(3) Provide composite platoon (40 men) to TF 3/319 for security NLT 0600 hrs D+2 (230500H Jul 65). Platoon will revert to your control on Bde order.

(4) Provide special demolition teams to assist in destruction of fortified positions on call.

(5) Be prepared to assume responsibility for rear area security upon commitment of Bde reserve.

g. TF 1/RAR:

(1) Bde Reserve

(2) Outpost C3 and C4 area of Base Camp until committed.

(3) Be prepared to provide a company-size Ready Reaction force on one hour notice and a Battalion-size Ready Reaction force on a six hour notice. Be prepared for commitment in following priority:

(a) Block to the North-East of the TAOR vic Position TRUMP.

(b) Assume the mission of either TF 1/503 or 2/503.

f. Coordinating Instructions:

(1) Sequence of Events (Annex E).

(2) Move to Position QUEEN by convoy under control of TF REAR.

(3) Occupy assigned sectors of Psn QUEEN.

(4) Cross LD 0800 hrs D+1 (220800H Jul 65).

(5) Conduct search and destroy operations in sector as follows:

D+1: to PL DOG

D+2: to PL RAT

D+3: to PL DEER

MAT

D+4: to PL MOOSE

MAT

D+5: to Psn ACE

- (6) Report locations every hour using Points of Origin (Annex D, Operation Overlay).
- (7) TF 1/503 and 2/503 will employ one (1) 81mm Mortar per rifle company. 4.2 Mortars, with sufficient personnel to service all tubes will remain in present (rear) locations except one section, complete, from 1/503 attached to TF 3/319.
- (8) Viet Cong Captive Collection Point (VCCCP) vic YT 020150.
- (9) The following challenge and passwords will be used in the operational area during the execution of OPORD 18-65 only:

CHALLENGE

PASSWORD

211200 to 221200 = BIRD	Use the name of any bird found in U.S.
221200 to 231200 = GIRL	Use any Girl's first name
231200 to 241200 = TREE	Use the name of any tree
241200 to 251200 = CIGARETTE	Use the name of any U.S. brand
251200 to 261200 = DANCE	Use the name of any popular dance
261200 to 271200 = CLOTHING	Use the name of any item of clothing
271200 to 281200 = SPORT	Use the name of any popular sport

ALTERNATES

Color = Any color

Weather = Weather condition (i.e., sunshine, rain, snow, etc.)

- (10) Attachments effective 0800 hrs D-Day D-Day (210800H Jul 65) unless otherwise stated.
- (11) Information concerning extraction will be furnished on D+4. Plan on 50 slicks.
- (12) D-Day H-Hour = 211400H Jul 65. D-Day is subject to change on short notice.
- (13) Use Operations Code KAC-HE 734/TSEC for reporting casualties and requesting evacuation helicopters. Spare groups of the Operations Code are assigned the following meaning; Spare Number 1 - LITTER, Spare Number 2 - WALKING

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS: Annex F

MAT

MAT

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL:

a. Signal:

- (1) SOI item 20-6 (Radio Nets)
- (2) Operations Code KAC HE-734 in effect.
- (3) Admin Log Net operational 0600-2200 hours D+1 thru D+5.

b. Command:

- (1) Bde main CP - present location
- (2) Bde TAC CP airborne
- (3) TF report CP locations when established.

Acknowledge

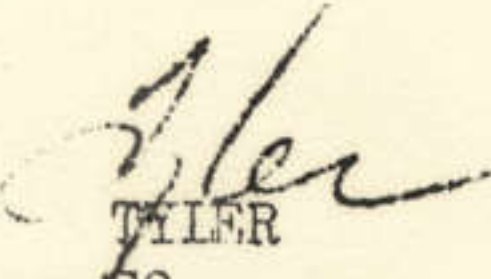
WILLIAMSON
Brig Gen

Annexes:

- A - Intelligence
- B - Not Used
- C - Fire Support
- D - Operations Overlay
- E - Sequence of Events
- F - Admin and Log
- G - Y = Not Used
- Z - Distribution

Distribution: Annex Z, Distribution

OFFICIAL:


TYLER

83

MAT

MAT

Copy No. _____
HQ, 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
Bien Hoa, RVN
171200 July 65
RMN

Annex A (Intelligence) to OPORD 18-65

Reference: Maps: Vietnam Series L701, sheet 6344 II OPORD:

1. SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION. War Zone "D" is a known VC base with forces of from squad to regimental size operating therein or within short reinforcing distance. The area north of the Dong Nai River and west of the Song Be River is a known VC storage and supply area. The following VC company size units permanently operate in the area:

C300 (Phouc Thanh) Regional Co
C303 (Dong Nai) Regional Co
C9 (D Zone Security Co
C1 Logistical Security Co East Zone
C2 Logistical Security Co East Zone

The following Main Force units temporarily encamp in the area:

C4 Company - Eastern Zone
C6 Company - Eastern Zone
D800 Battalion
Q 762 Regiment

Any or all of these units may be encountered, however, it is thought that only C4 and C6 are currently in the area of operation.

2. EEI and other Intelligence Requirements

a. EEI

(1) What is the location, disposition and strength of enemy forces in the area?

(2) What is the identity of enemy forces in the area?

(3) What are the enemies intentions?

b. Other Intelligence Requirements.

(1) Where are the enemies caches?

(2) What is the enemies morale?

(3) How many casualties has the enemy suffered?

(4) What is the nationality of foreign troops with the Viet Cong?

(5) Where are the enemies withdrawal routes?

3. ORDERS AND REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION. All units will report immediately all enemy contact.

4. MISCELLANEOUS. Viet Cong captives will be evacuated to the Viet Cong Captives Collection Point (VCCCP) by the most expeditious means.

a. Viet Cong Captive tags will indicate any hostile action taken against friendly forces by that VCC and whether the VCC was armed when captured.

MAT

MAT

Annex A (Intelligence) to OPORD 18-65

b. (1) All captured documents, or groups of documents captured in one general location, will be tagged to include date/time, place, place of capture and capturing unit.

(2) Documents captured with VCC will be evacuated by the guard evacuating the VCC. The tag with the document will bear the name or VCC number so as to relate the document with the VCC.

(3) Documents taken from VC KIA will be so indicated on the tag.

c. The following enemy material is of specific interest:

(1) 7.62 mm Assault carbines and sub machine guns

(2) Medicine of other than RVN manufacture

(3) Communications equipment

(4) Steel helmets

(5) Enemy uniforms bearing insignia

(6) All automatic weapons, mortars, and recoilless weapons.

(7) Artillery

(8) Military vehicles (Civilian vehicle license numbers will be photographed or noted.).

(9) All munitions of a caliber larger than 30 caliber will be photographed and destroyed.

d. Requests for maps and air photos may be submitted verbally to Brigade S2.

e. Only authorized signs and countersigns and authorized codes will be used. Friendly casualty information will not be transmitted in the clear. Compromise of signs, countersigns or codes will be reported to Brigade S2 immediately.

f. An ISUM for the entire operation will be submitted by participating units with 48 hours after completion of the operation. Participating units will not submit ISUMS during the operation. Non participating units will continue to submit daily ISUMS.

g. (1) Det 1 3d RRU will attach teams to each participating infantry battalion and artillery battalion.

(2) 172d MI will attach 3 man MI teams to each participating infantry battalion and an operational team to the screening force.

(3) Extreme caution will be taken in the recovery of enemy material and equipment to avoid ambushes and booby traps.

MAT

MAT

Annex A (Intelligence) to OPOD 18-65

h. Natural E & E routes exist to the South, personnel becoming lost or separated should attempt to move South to the Dong Nai River. Search will be concentrated in that area.

i. Village locations in the area are attached as Appendix 1 and 2.

Acknowledge

WILLIAMSON
Brig Gen

DISTRIBUTION: Same as OPOD 18-65

OFFICIAL



MULLEN
S2

MAT

B/1/RAR

66-5-923
Sp5 Kleiman
172145 Apr 66
Phuoc Binh, RVN
172d MI Det (Abn)
173d Abn Bde (Sep)

PRELIMINARY INTERROGATION REPORT

1. Biographical Data.

- a. Full name: Chac Venh Quay
- b. Alias: None
- c. Date and place of birth: 8 Sep 37 at THAN POUM Village, HAI NINH Province, NVN
- d. Present address: THUAN LOI Village, PHUOC BINH District, PHUOC LONG Province
- e. Parents: Father - CHAC PHAC HIENH, age 60
Mother - THONG SY, age 57 or 58
- f. Education: 6 yrs (1 yr Junior High School) in NVN
- g. Political tendency: Claims to support the GRVN
- h. Social class: Poor (Rubber plantation foreman)
- i. Marital status: Wife - NGUYEN THI BANG, age 24
Child - CHAC SAU CUU, age 3
- j. Relatives Working for ARVN: Brother - CHAC NHI SANG, age 36, (6 yrs ago he was a Pvt in 2d Co, 17th Bn, 7th Regt, 5th Div
- k. Prior Military Service: Entered French Army in June 1948. Achieved rank of Chief Corporal. Was discharged in November 1953. Entered ARVN 10 August 1958. Was a Pvt, SN#408068. Discharged 10 August 1959. He served in the 1st Co 17th Bn, 3d Regt, 5th Div. 5th Div was located at PHAN THIET, BINH THUAN Province, RVN.

2. Circumstances of capture or return to government control.

- a. 171500 April 1966
- b. YTO61851
- c. B 1/RAR
- d. I.D. card #027928, ARVN Discharge #1053, II Corps ARVN Training Certificate, ARVN Good Conduct Certificate, ARVN Efficiency Record, ARVN Personal History Booklet, and assorted personal papers, and no weapons.

3. Areas of Special Knowledge.

Two VC were seen by the source in the DANG VAN QUOC rubber plantation (YTO685) approximately 1½ months ago. They just walked through and came from the direction of PHU RIENG (YT125900). Source claimed he lived in a secure area as ARVN troops entered his home area periodically. They were last there 1 month ago with 200-300 men. Source stated emphatically that there were no VC food or arms caches on the DANG VAN QUOC plantation.

4. Assessment of source by interrogation/intelligence officers.

He stated he wanted no part of the VC and that they just caused trouble. He won't even speak to them. Source is paid on the 10th of each month at PHUOC BINH (2500\$ VN per month) by Mr. NGUYEN VAN NGHIEM who can identify and vouch for him. Mr. NGHIEM is a Director of the DANG VAN QUOC plantation. The interrogator feels that the source was truthful throughout the entire interrogation. Recommend he be identified at PHUOC BINH.

WINSTON T. HAY
2nd Lt AIS
IPW Section Chief (Acting)

Co B - 1/RAR

C2

66-5-922
Sp6 West
172200 Apr 66
Phuoc Binh, RVN
172d MI Det (Abn)
173d Abn Bde (Sep)

PRELIMINARY INTERROGATION REPORT

1. Biographical Data.

- a. Full name: HUYNH TAN HUNG
- b. Alias: TAM
- c. Date and place of birth: 21 April 28 at SON BAC Village, SON TINH District, QUANG NAM Province
- d. Present address: Hamlet #9, THUAN LOI Village, DON LUAN District, PHUOC LONG Province
- e. Rank: None
- f. VC/NVA unit assignment and assigned duties: None
- g. Parents' names: Father - HUYNH TU NGUON (Deceased)
Mother - LAM THI QUANG (Living in SON BAC Village)
- h. Education: None
- i. Political tendency: Unknown
- j. Marital status: Single
- k. Social class: Laborer
- l. Prior military service: Unknown
- m. Relatives working for RVN or RVNAF: Unknown

2. Circumstances of capture or return to government control.

- a. Source was captured 171500 April 66
- b. Hamlet #9, near THUAN HOA Village (YT064854)
- c. Co B, 1/RAR
- d. Documents found with source are as follows:
 - 1. A document requesting permission to travel from PHUOC THIEN village to THUAN LOI village, dated 8 Mar 66 addressed to National Police at DON LUAN District, PHUOC LONG Province and is stamped by the National Police Chief NGHI of DON LUAN District.
 - 2. Voters card NRO20232, DON LUAN District, dated 11 Oct 64.
 - 3. ID Card #020710 from DON LUAN District, dated June 15th, 1962.
 - 4. 4,515 \$VN

3. Past Activities.

1928-1959 Source lived at SON BAC Village SON TINH District, QUANG NAM Province. From 1928-1941 source lived at home and did household chores. 1941-1942 went to school, 1942-1959 worked as a cook and various laboring jobs. 1959-1966 source has worked from a labor contractor (VU KHIEM), who hires out gangs to various plantations.

4. Areas of Special Knowledge.

Source stated that for approximately one year he has bossed a gang of 3-5 woodcutters working on the QUOC plantation near THUAN LOI village (YT0581).

Source stated he earns approximately (2500\$VN per month) and has saved 4500\$VN from his salary.

Source stated that until 2 months ago the following VC came to Hamlet #9 and held a propaganda meeting and collected unknown amounts of tax from shop owners:

- HAI THON - Had a pistol
- TRUNG - Had a carbine
- LAM - Had a sub-machinegun
- CON - Had a rifle
- PHONG - Had a rifle

Source stated most of the people had moved to DONG XOAI and no attempt was made to organize any groups.

Source stated that Police Chief NGHI of DON LUAN District will vouch for him.

PRELIMINARY interrogation report (Cont'd 66-5-922)

5. Assessment of source by interrogation/intelligence officers.

Interrogator feels the source was sincere and truthful and recommend he be evacuated to District.

WINSTON T. HAY
2nd Lt AIS
IPW Section Chief (Acting)

Copy No 28
Hq, 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
Bien Hoa, RVN
092000H April 1966
PRP

CONFIDENTIAL

OPORD 5-66 (Operation DENVER) (U)

References: Map, 1:50,000, 6346 II, 6345 I, 6346 I, 6445 IV, 6446 III,
6446 IV

1. Situation.

a. Enemy Forces: Annex B

b. Friendly Forces:

(1) One battalion 1st Inf Div assumes the responsibility for the defense of Bien Hoa Air Base effective 111200H April 1966.

(2) II FFORCEV provides fixed wing and helicopter lift in support of operation.

2. Mission: 173d Airborne Brigade deploys to Song Be (XU 143072) by airlift, conducts search and destroy operations in assigned AO and redeploys to Bien Hoa during the period 22-24 April 1966 (Operations Overlay-Annex A) (TBP).

3. Execution.

a. Concept of Operations:

Operation will be conducted in three phases:

- (1) Phase I (10-13 Apr 66) - Movement of Brigade by air to Song Be.
- (2) Phase II (14-21 Apr 66) - Conduct of search and destroy operations.
- (3) Phase III (22-24 Apr 66) - Redeployment of the Brigade to Bien Hoa by air.

b. 1/503

Attached: Sqd 173d Engr Co
RRU Team
FAC Team

- (1) Move by air to Song Be on 10 Apr 66. Annex D (Air Movement Plan)
- (2) Secure airfield until 2/503 closes into Bde base, at which time responsibility for security of airfield and Bde Base passes to 2/503.
- (3) All Brigade elements introduced into Song Be on 10 Apr under your OPCON for security upon arrival. OPCON for security passes to 2/503 when 2/503 assumes responsibility for security of Bde Base and airfield.
- (4) Assemble 1/503 in designated assembly area after relinquishing security mission and be prepared to conduct Eagle Flights on order.

c. 2/503

Attached: Sqd 173d Engr Co
RRU Team
FAC Team

DOWNGRADED AT 3-YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DID DIR 5200.10

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

- (1) Relieved from security mission at Rock Quarry 111200H Apr 66.
- (2) Move by air to Song Be on 11 Apr 66. Annex D (Air Movement Plan).
- (3) Assume responsibility for security of the airfield and Bde Base as soon as closed into area. Elements in Bde base area under your OPCON for security.

(4) Be prepared to conduct Eagle Flights on order.

d. 1/RAR

(1) Relieved from security of Base camp TAOR by Bn 1st Div on 11 Apr time to be announced.

(2) Move by air to Song Be on 13 Apr 66. Annex D (Air Movement Plan).

(3) Prepare PWLH to move on 13 Apr 66 on order.

(4) Be prepared to secure a sector of the airfield defense.

(5) Prepare for search and destroy operations.

e. 3/319 (+)

(1) Move Bn, minus RAA, to Song Be on 10, 11 & 12 Apr 66. Annex D (Air Movement Plan).

(2) Provide direct support fires during operation. (Annex H, Fire Support Plan).

f. E/17

(1) Move to Song Be on 10 & 11 Apr 66. Annex D (Air Movement Plan).

(2) Be prepared for recon missions vic Bde Base.

(3) Be prepared to secure Bde/BSOC Base upon commitment of Inf Bns.

g. D/16

(1) Move to Song Be on 12 & 13 Apr 66. Annex D (Air Movement Plan).

(2) Initially under Bde control.

h. 173d Engr Co

(1) Move to Song Be on 11 Apr 66. Annex D (Air Movement Plan).

i. Co A, 82d Avn

(1) Provide helicopter support in accordance with Annex K (Army Aviation).

(2) Co (-) will be operational at Song Be 12 Apr 66.

j. HHC

(1) Move in accordance with Annex D (Air Movement Plan).

(2) Co (-) continue present mission.

k. 173d Support Bn

(1) Coordinate logistical support during operation.

(2) Provide Departure and Arrival Airfield Control Parties.

(3) Coordinate internal security of Bde Base Camp.

CONFIDENTIAL

(4) Coordinate with En 1st Div in security of Bde TAOR.

1. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Sequence of Events: Annex J

(2) CO, 1/503 has OPCON for security of all Bde elements upon their arrival at Song Be on 10 Apr 66. OPCON for security passes to 2/503 when 2/503 closes in Bde Base area.

(3) National Police will be provided units upon arrival at Song Be.

(4) Schematic Brigade Base Diagram: Annex C

(5) Points of Origin: Annex L

(6) Search and destroy missions will be assigned by Frag Order.

4. Administration and Logistics: Annex G

5. Command and Signal.

a. Signal

(1) Current SOI in effect.

(2) Signal, Annex I

b. Command: Brigade CP remains present location on 10 Apr, displaces to Song Be on 11 Apr.

Acknowledge


SMITH
Brig Gen

ANNEXES:

- A-Operations Overlay (TBP)
- B-Intelligence
- C-Schematic Diagram Base Camp Area
- D-Air Movement Plan
- E-Chemical
- F-Civil Affairs
- G-Administration and Logistics
- H-Fire Support
- I-Signal
- J-Sequence of Events
- K-Army Aviation
- L-Points of Origin
- M-Y-Not Used
- Z-Distribution

Distribution: Annex Z

OFFICIAL

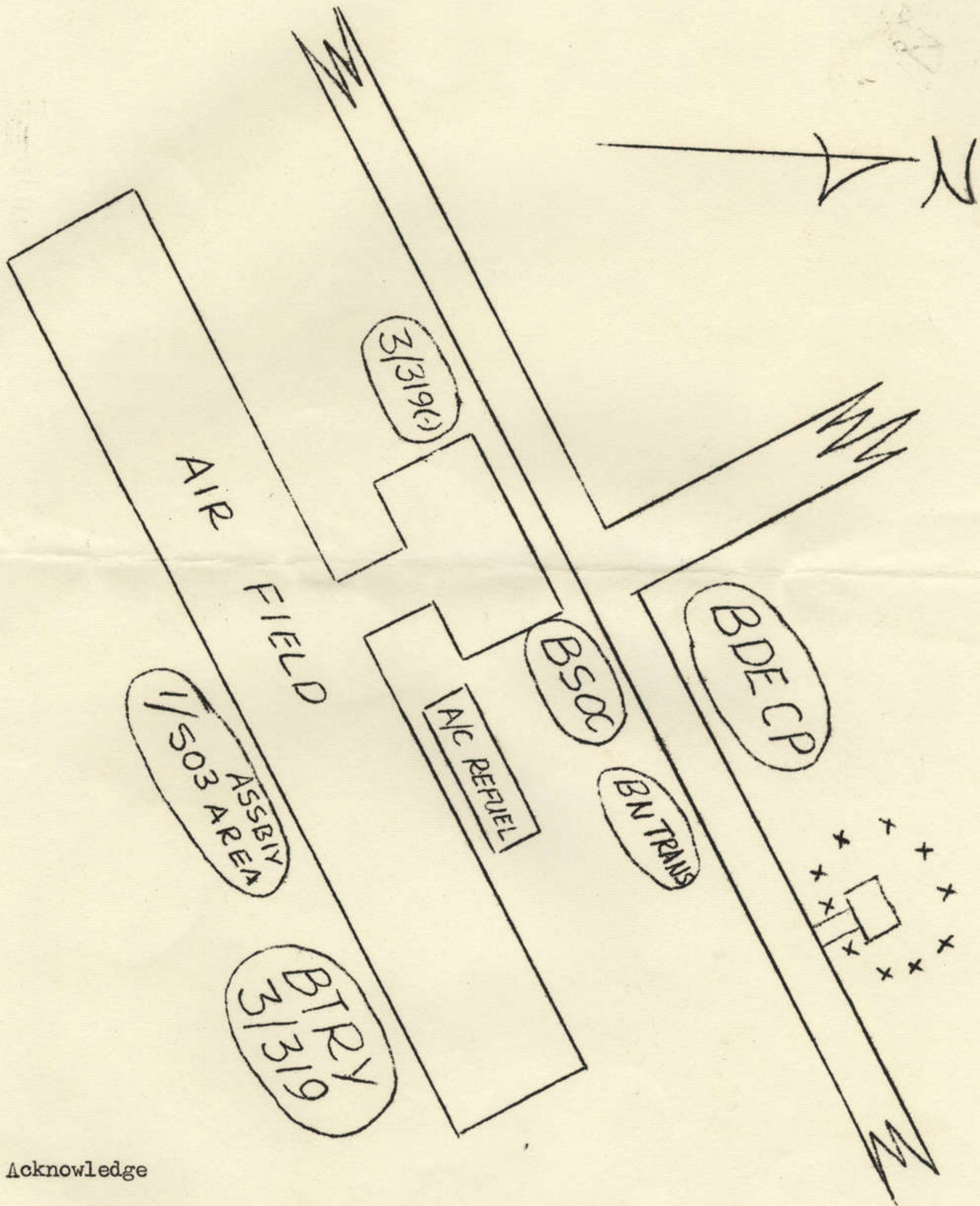

CHRISTENSON
C3

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

COPY NO _____
Hq 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
Bien Hoa, RVN
092000H Apr 66
PRP

ANNEX C (Schematic Diagram Base Camp Area to OPORD 5-66 (Operation Denver)



Acknowledge

SMITH
Brig Gen

Distribution: Annex Z

OFFICIAL

Chri Stenson
CHRISTENSON
C3

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Copy No _____
Hq 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
BIEN HOA, RVN
092000H April 1966
TRP

ANNEX D (Air Movement Plan) to OPORD 5-66 (Operation DENVER) (U)

Reference: Maps-OPORD 5-66 (Operation DENVER)

1. FLIGHT PLAN:

- a. C-130 aircraft load at Bien Hoa Airfield.
- b. Army aircraft stage at SNAKEBIT.

2. AIR MOVEMENT TABLE: Appendix 1, Air Movement Table.

3. AIRCRAFT DATA:

- a. ACL for C-130 - 30,000 pounds.
- b. Ten (10) C-130 aircraft execute multiple sorties daily until forces are closed into objective area, D+3.
- c. Available to load time for first C-130 on each day 0700; subsequent sorties ASAP. Minimum ground time is desired.

Acknowledge

SMITH
Brig Gen

DISTRIBUTION: Annex Z (Distribution)

OFFICIAL

Christenson
CHRISTENSON
C3

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Copy No _____
 Hq 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
 BIEN HOA, RVN
 092000H Apr 66
 PRP

APPENDIX 1 (Air Movement Table) to ANNEX D (Air Movement Plan) to OPORD 5-66
 (Operation DENVER)

Reference: Maps-OPORD 5-66 (Operation DENVER)

1. D-Day

<u>DEF SITE</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>CHALK NR</u>	<u>NR & TYPE AIRCRAFT</u>	<u>LOADING BEGINS</u>	<u>TAKEOFF TIME</u>
BIEN HOA AFLD	1/503 (Includes 1 1/4 Td w/MRC-95 & 1 AF 1/4 td w/ VC 108 w/tr1	1	1-C-130	0700	TBA
"	Arty Btry	2-7	6-C-130	ASAP	ASAP
"	E/17	8-12	5-C-130	"	"
"	IOC	13-17	5-C-130	"	"
"	Supply	18-36	19-C-130	"	"
SNAKEPIT	1/503	H1-H30	30-UH1D	0650	0700
"	1/503	H31-H40	10-CH-47	0710	0715
"	1/503	H41-H70	30-UH1D	0855	0900

2. D+1:

BIEN HOA AFLD	1/503	1-2	2-C-130	0700	TBA
"	HHC	3-10	8-C-130	ASAP	ASAP
"	Arty Bn (-)	11-17	7-C-130	"	"
"	E/17	18-24	7-C-130	"	"
"	2/503	25-27	3-C-130	"	"
"	Spt Bn	28-30	3-C-130	"	"
"	Engr	31-33	3-C-130	"	"
"	Supply	34-41	8-C-130	"	"
SNAKEPIT	2/503	H1-H40	40-UH1D	TBA	TBA
"	2/503	H41-H43	3-CH47	TBA	TBA
"	2/503	H44-H83	40-UH1D	TBA	TBA

3. D+2:

BIEN HOA AFLD	Arty Btry	1-6	6-C-130	TBA	TBA
"	HHC	7-14	8-C-130	ASAP	ASAP
"	Spt Bn	15-16	2-C-130	"	"
"	A/82	17-23	7-C-130	"	"
"	D/16	24-31	8-C-130	"	"
"	Supply	32-38	7-C-130	"	"

CONFIDENTIAL

APPENDIX 1 (Air Movement Table) (Cont'd)

<u>DEP SITE</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>CHALK NR</u>	<u>NR & TYPE AIRCRAFT</u>	<u>LOADING BEGINS</u>	<u>TAKEOFF TIME</u>
4. D-3:	NRC	1-2	8-C-130	TBA	TBA
RIEM HOA AFLD HOA	1/RAR	1-3	3-C-130	TBA	TBA
"	D/16	4-11	8-C-130	ASAP	ASAP
"	Supply	12-18	7-C-130	"	"
"	PWLH	19-35	17-C-130	(Prepare for departure only)	
SMARKEIT	1/RAR	H1-H40	40-UH1D	TBA	TBA
"	1/RAR	H41-H42	2-CH-47	TBA	TBA
"	1/RAR	H43-H82	40-UH1D	TBA	TBA
"					
"					
"					
"					
"					
"					
"					
"					
"					
"					

"					
"					
"					
"					
"					
"					
"					
"					
"					
"					
"					
"					
"					
"					
"					
"					
"					
"					
"					
"					
"					
"					
"					
"					
"					

(Continued on page 2)

APPENDIX 1 (Air Movement Table) (Cont'd)

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

COPY NO
Hq 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
Bien Hoa, RVN
092000H Apr 66
PRP

Annex E (Chemical) to Operations Order 5-66 (DENVER)

1. SITUATION:

a. Enemy situation: OPORD 5*66

2. MISSION: Route enemy forces from fortified and tunneled positions using tear gas and flame. To prevent continued use of fortified positions, tunnels, and caches by contamination with CS-1.

3. EXECUTION:

a. Concept: Brigade Chemical will provide limited Mity Mite and Flamethrower spt at forward CP. Time permitting all tunnel complexes will be contaminated with CS-1 after system has been searched. Food caches not evacuated will be scattered and contaminated by CS-1 or destroyed.

(1) A/82 Aviation: Be prepared to employ air delivered CS grenades utilizing XM-3 rocket system. Provide limited support at Bde Fwd CP.

(2) 51st Cml Det (Abn): Provide limited support at Bde Fwd CP.

(3) Support Battalion: Maintain following at BSOC:

(a) CS Grenades (M7A3) - 1000 ea

(b) HC Smoke Pot(30 lb) - 9 ea

(c) CS-1(powder) - 3 drums

(d) Thickner, ML - 12 cans(60 lb)

(e) Ignition cylinders - 1 box(50 cans)

(f) Grenade Launcher Adapter(M2A1) - 150 ea

(g) Grenade, CS(M25A2) - 150 ea

(4) Coordinating Instructions:

(a) Request for air delivered CS will be directed to Bde C-3 using the code word "TEARDROP".

(b) Units will fit and test protective masks prior to commencing operation.

(c) Caution will be used when searching tunnels flushed with HC Smoke. HC Smoke reduces the oxygen level.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Annex E (Chemical) to Operation Order 5-66 (DENVER)

(d) All uses of riot control agents will be reported ASAP to C-3 as follows:

Brig/Coord _____

No/Type Munition _____

Effect on enemy _____

(e) Basic load of M7A3 (CS) grenades will be carried:

48 per Rifle Co, Cav Trp, Armor Co, Eng Co

16 per all other company size units

4. ADMIN and LOGISTICS: Annex G

5. COMMAND and SIGNAL: OPOED 5-66

Acknowledge

SMITH

Brig Gen

Distribution: Annex Z

OFFICIAL:

D. Dascanio
Dascanio
Cml Off

BRIG
OPERATION 5-66
DENVER
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Copy No _____
HQ, 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
Bien Hoa, RVN
092000H Apr 66
PRP

Annex F (Civil Affairs) to OPORD 5-66 (Operation DENVER) (U)

References: OPORD 5-66 (Operation DENVER)

1. Situation:

- a. Enemy forces. Annex B, OPORD 5-66
- b. Friendly forces. OPORD 5-66

2. Execution:

a. Civil Affairs. Brigade C-5 will coordinate with and assist local authorities in the control, care, resettlement, or other disposition of displaced persons, refugees, and evacuees.

b. Psychological Operations.

(1) Brigade C-5 will be prepared to conduct loudspeaker and leaflet operations in the Brigade TAOR in accordance with the existing psychological conditions and tactical situation.

(2) Psychological Objectives.

(a) Convince the local populace that the US, ARVN, and Allied forces will defeat the Viet Cong.

(b) Convince the Viet Cong that resistance to the powerful Allied force in the area is futile and that they should rally to the GVN.

(c) Create a favorable impression of the US and Allied forces on the local populace.

(d) Instill in the local populace, confidence in local officials and GVN.

d. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Brigade C-5 will coordinate with Province officials on matters pertaining to Civil Affairs, Civic Action, and Psychological Operations activities in the Brigade TAOR.

(2) Subordinate units will coordinate with the Brigade C-5 on matters pertaining to Civil Affairs, Civic Action, and Psychological Operations activities.

(3) Refugees will not be extracted from the area of operations except as directed.

(4) Brigade C-5 will coordinate with Field Force II V for printed media and psychological operations aircraft support.

(5) Brigade C-5 will coordinate with US and GVN governmental agency representatives in the Brigade TAOR for assistance and support in Civil Affairs, Civic Action, and Psychological Operations activities.

L. Administration and Logistics. Annex G to OPORD 5-66.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Annex F (Civil Affairs) to OPORD 5-66 (Cont'd)

(1) Subordinate units will request organic psychological operations aircraft missions through the Brigade C-5.

(2) Motor transport support for Civic Action activities will be provided on request through Brigade C-5.


5. Command and Signal. Annex I to OPORD 5-66.

Acknowledge:

SMITH
Brig Gen

DISTRIBUTION: Annex Z (Distribution)

OFFICIAL:


BUTLER
C-5

153
0330001 via 02
BTEN HON' KAN
H3' K330 170 000 (200)
0000 00

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Copy No
HQ, 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
Bien Hoa, RVN
092000 H March 66
PRP

Annex G (Administration) to OPORD 5-66 (Denver)

References: Same as OPORD 4-66

1. General.

- a. Purpose. This annex sets forth policy and procedures for the administrative and logistical support of OPORD 5-66
- b. Concept. 173d Support Battalion establishes Bde Spt Opns Cntr (BSOC) vic of Song Be airfield (YU 143072). BSOC will commence operations on D-Day and prepare to receive 3 days of all classes of supply. 2 days of supply to be delivered on D-Day, the remaining day of supply to be delivered on D+1. BSOC will maintain minimum essential equipment and supplies to include elements of Bde Supply, Bde Maint and Co "B" (Med). Primary flow of supplies will be by FW acft from Bien Hoa to Song Be airfield, then by HU-1 acft to committed units in area of operations as requested. Units will attach supply personnel to BSOC to operate unit trains complexes.
- c. All requests for resupply must be processed through the BSOC at Song Bey. BSOC monitors the Bde Intel/Admin Log net at the Bde Supply office (BSO) in the operational area.

2. Supply and Services

a. Supply

(1) Class I

- (a) All units deploying will carry 3 meals of C-rations for each man.
- (b) BSOC class I point will carry 9 meals of C-rations for each man of the Brigade Force
- (c) Meal schedule is as follows.

	Breakfast	Dinner	Supper
D-Day	A	C	C
D+1	C	C	C
D+2 and there after	C	C	A

- (d) The evening A-ration meal is optional

- (2) Class II & IV. All request for II & IV items should be submitted to the BSO at least 24 hours prior to desired delivery. Every effort will be made to effect earlier delivery.

(3) Class III & IIIA

(a) Class III

1. All vehicles will depart with 3/4 full tanks and carry one near full 5 gallon can.
2. BSOC will establish DP's for MOGAS and DIESEL. BSOC will make available 80/87 and 115/145 AVGAS for FAC and FO fixed-wing aircraft.

(4) Class V

- (a) All units carry basic load as prescribed by Brigade and as augmented by Unit Commanders.
- (b) BSOC establishes Cl V DP at Song Be for all ammunition.

(5) Water

- (a) All personnel will carry the equivalent of two (2) quarts of water.
- (b) 173d Eng Co will establish one water point vic Song Be airfield.

(6) Salvage

- (a) BSOC will establish a salvage collection point at Song Be airfield.
- (b) Materiel requiring evacuation which is beyond unit capability will be referred to Co "D" (Maint) element of the BSOC.

b. Transportation

(1) Motor transportation

- (a) All units submit motor transportation requirements to BSO (Provide 42) ASAP.
- (b) Army Aviation. Army acft sorties allocated for resupply operations will be coordinated by the BSOC.

c. Services

(1) Maintenance

- (a) Units will provide own 2d echelon maintenance capabilities for armament and signal items and organizational maintenance for all other items or equipment.

CONFIDENTIAL

(b) Co "D" (Maint) will establish limited armament, signal, and automotive field maintenance capability in the BSOC.

(2) Trains

(a) CO, 173d Spt Bn will coordinate the location and areas for unit trains in the vicinity of the BSOC.

(b) All units will provide sufficient personnel to the BSOC to rig loads for resupply by helicopter. 173d Spt Bn will provide technical assistance and supervision.

3. Medical Services.

- a. Unit Aidmen will accompany all platoon size units.
- b. Battalion Surgeons will be utilized at clearing station level.
- c. Co "B" (Med) will support the Brigade TF from airstrip at Ham Tan.
- d. Evacuation from an individual unit to Co "B" (Med) will be by Helicopter Medical Evacuation (MEDEVAC). MEDEVAC request will follow SOP as prescribed her and in the SOI. All MEDEVAC requests will contain the following information:
 - (1) Callsign of requesting unit
 - (2) Type of casualty:
 - "Lima" - Litter Patient
 - "Whisky" - Walking Patient
 - "Delta" - Deceased
 - (3) Number of casualties
 - (4) Evacuation priority for each type casualty:
 - A = Urgent
 - B = Priority
 - C = Routine
- e. Evacuation from the clearing station will be by the most suitable means available.
- f. Brigade Surgeon designates surgeon to provide routine medical coverage at Brigade rear.

4. Administration. Appendix 1 (Administration) to Annex G to OPOD 5-66. Acknowledge.

SMITH
Brig Gen

Appendix: 1-Personnel

DISTRIBUTION: Same as OPOD 5-66

OFFICIAL:

Sparks
SPARKS
C4

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Appendix 1 (Administration) to Annex C to CPORD 5-66.

4. Administration

a. Personnel

(1) Morning Reports: Units taking morning report sections into the operational area will submit morning reports daily to AG Forward. Morning reports submitted at Base Camp (Bien Hoa) will follow normal submission channels. AG Forward (located at LOG Base) will have responsibility for routing morning reports to base camp.

(2) Casualty Reporting: Per 173d Abn Bde (Sep) TAC SOP.

b. S1/AG Forward will provide necessary message center, reproduction, replacement processing and classified document handling facilities.

c. Replacement personnel reporting to Base Camp during period 9 through 13 April will be processed through AG Rear, assigned to units and delivered to LOG Base on 13 April. Replacement personnel reporting to Base Camp from 14 through 17 April will also be processed through AG Rear and delivered to LOG Base on 17 April.

d. Personnel having dates to report for transportation and subsequent return to COMUS on 10 through 16 April will remain behind in the Base Camp and be available for processing when called for by AG Rear. Personnel having dates to report for transportation and subsequent return to COMUS on 17 through 24 April will be ready for extraction from the operational area on 14 April and will be returned to LOG Base where transportation to Base Camp will be controlled through AG Forward. Additional replacements will be brought forward on 18 April.

e. Religious Coverage: Normal chaplain coverage in the operational area will be provided. Schedules of religious services will be provided in the operational area.

f. Post Exchange Facilities: PX facilities will be held ready in the Base Camp area and will be made available as the operation dictates.

g. Finance: Although it is not contemplated that need for finance services will exist on this operation due to inclusive dates, finance facilities will be made ready for payment of personnel in the operational area if operation dictates.

h. Postal: Normal mail distributing will be provided in the operational area. With regard to incoming mail:

(1) Received at Ede mail facility and is broken down to units.

(2) Picked up by subordinate units and further broken down.

(3) Mail of those personnel in the operational area will be returned to the Ede mail facility by 0800 hours each day.

(4) It will be the responsibility of the Ede mail facility to deliver mail for those personnel in the operational area to the west end of the runway, Bien Hoa Air Base, each day by 0900 hours. With regard to outgoing mail, units will return outgoing mail by LNO or other means available to AG Forward located at LOG Base.

i. Provost Marshal: PMO will insure that adequate security personnel are furnished for the establishment of the PW compound to be located at LOG Base. PMO will also provide adequate security personnel for Ede CG and TOC in the operational area.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

(1) Be prepared to furnish adequate control of refugee personnel when necessary, on order.

(2) Be prepared to furnish such patrols as necessary to maintain law and order in villages and towns in the operational area, on order.

j. All units will submit initial strength report (ISR) to Bde C-1 not later than 1500 hours, 7 April 1966.

k. All units will submit officer and enlisted present for duty reports to C-1 Forward NLT 1000 hrs daily, by most expeditious means available.

l. Bde C-1 will maintain facilities at both LOC Base in the operational area and at Bde Base Camp.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Copy No
Hq 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
BIEN HOA, RVN
092000H Apr 66
PRP

ANNEX H (Fire Support) to OPORD 5-66 (Operation DENVER) (U)

1. SITUATION: OPORD 5-66.
2. MISSION: Provide Fire Support in support of the Bde mission in the area of operation.
3. EXECUTION:
 - a. Concept: Bde Arty displace by air (C130) to AO. Provide Fire Support from FSB vic Song Be (YU 142071) with subsequent movement by air as tactical situation develops.
 - b. Air Support:
 - (1) General:
 - (a) Current air operations to continue until D-Day.
 - (b) Air Support to be provided by 7th Air Force upon request.
 - (2) Allocations:
 - (a) Air support requests should be forwarded to Bde ALO prior to 0900H daily. All requests will be honored within limits of available resources.
 - (b) Each maneuver Bn will be allocated one (1) FAC Team.
 - (c) One Airborne FAC will be on station during daylight hours and 30 minute standby during hours of darkness.
 - (d) Bde ALO will be located with Fwd CP.
 - c. Artillery Support:
 - (1) General - Arty support will be provided by 3/319th Arty and RNZA.
 - (2) Organization for combat:

(a)	A/3/319	DS	2/503
(b)	B/3/319	GS	173
(c)	C/3/319	GS 173, DS	1/RAR on order
 - d. Coordinating Instructions:
 - (1) Priority of Psn Areas
 - (a) DS units
 - (b) Others
 - (2) All Arty, Mortar & Air Strikes will be cleared thru Bde FSCC.
 - (3) Firing units post Air Guard to ensure G-T line clear of aircraft during firing.
 - (4) Arty Aerial Observer will be on station 0700-1900 hours daily throughout the operation. AO report to Bn FDC on Rcn for instructions.
 - (5) Be prepared for subsequent moves by air (CH-47) on order.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

ANNEX H (Fire Support) Continued

4. Administration & Logistics: OPORD 5-66.

5. Command & Signal

- a. Current SOI in effect.
- b. Bde FSCC located at Bde Fwd CP.

Acknowledge

SMITH
Brig Gen

DISTRIBUTION: Annex Z (Distribution)

OFFICIAL

[Signature]
CHRISTENSON
C3

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Annex I (Signal) to Operation Order 5-66 (DENVER)

1. SITUATION:

(a) Enemy Forces

(1) Annex B (Intelligence)

(2) The enemy has the capability to monitor, enter and disrupt all types of radio communications.

(b) Friendly Forces

(1) Task Organization

(2) Signal Platoon, 125th Signal Battalion

2. MISSION: Provide communication to support the Brigade mission in the area of operation.

3. EXECUTION:

(a) Concept of Operation: Radio will be the primary means of communications followed by installation of wire to units when tactical situation and distance permits.

(b) Brigade Communications Platoon: Provide operators and equipment for 2 FM radio nets, one SSB net, switchboard, 20 telephones and 25 miles field wire.

(c) Signal Platoon, 125th Signal Battalion: Provide three AN/MRC 69's, one AN/GRC-46, one AN/MGC-17 with operators to install communications as directed by II FFV and Bde SigO.

(d) Coordinating Instructions

(1) All units will be prepared to terminate telephone circuit from Bde.

(2) Units will maintain stations in the Bde Command Net FM and Bde Intel/Admin Net FM 24 hours daily using RC-292 antennas.

(3) All units, less RAR, will be prepared to operate with KY-8's crypto devices.

(4) Radio relay will provide telephone communications to units operating in and near the fire support area.

(5) Telephone Trunking, Radio Nets, Situation Report - Appendix

1

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS: Annex G

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL

(a) Radio Nets 20-14, Codes HE-744 and JJ-1114 in effect.

(b) Units report CP locations when established.

(c) Bde SigO located at Bde Fwd CP.

Acknowledge

Distribution: Annex Z

SMITH
Brig Gen

OFFICIAL

CHRISTENSON

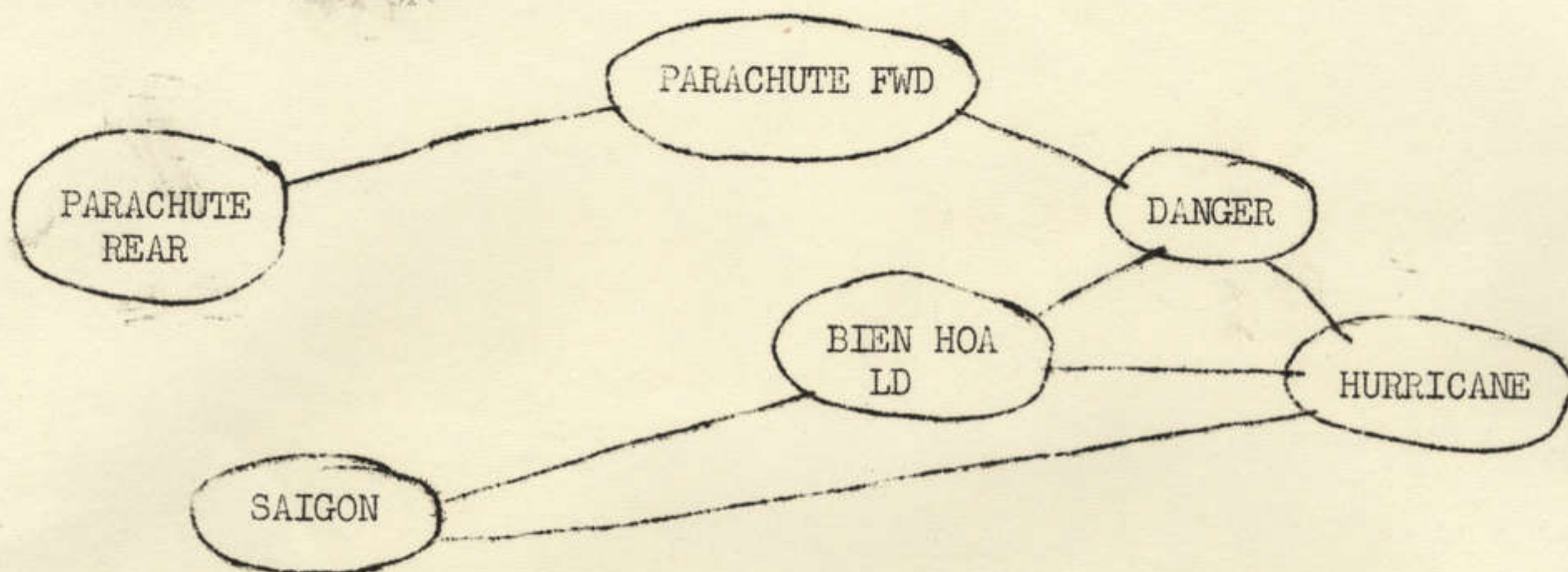
C3

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Copy No _____
HQs, 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
Bien Hoa, Viet Nam
092000H Apr 66
PRP

Appendix 1 (Telephone Trunking, Radio Nets, Situation Report) to Annex I (Signal) to Operation Order 5-66 (Denver)



RADIO NETS

<u>Bde Cmd Net</u>				
SMART BACKER	42.3	(P)	CG	1
NITRATE SHARES	44.9	(S)	S3	9
			S3 Ops	10
<u>1st En, 503d</u>				
WILLOW DAGGER	41.9	(P)	CO	6
SPENCHER MARCH	49.1	(S)	S3	7
<u>2nd En, 503d</u>				
WEIRD RAIDER	30.1	(P)	CO	3
SAFETY PIPES	38.8	(S)	S3	2
<u>RAR</u>				
SUNRAY	39.3	(P)	43.1 (S)	
<u>3rd En, 319th</u>				
CORKY STORES	37.3	(P)	CO	1
MARLIN STICH	36.2	(S)	S3	3
AVIATION NET	39.7			

SITUATION REPORT

1. BN CP (CO) LOCATED " _____ "
2. A CO LOCATED " _____ "
3. B CO LOCATED " _____ "
4. C CO LOCATED " _____ "
5. D CO LOCATED " _____ "
6. MORTARS LOCATED " _____ "
7. RECON LOCATED " _____ "
8. FRIENDLY
 - A. ACTIONS " _____ "
 - B. KIA " _____ "
 - C. WIA " _____ "
9. ENEMY
 - A. ACTIONS " _____ "
 - B. KIA " _____ "
 - C. WIA " _____ "
 - D. WEAPONS " _____ "

TRANSMIT ONLY LINE NUMBER AND WHAT IS BETWEEN ITALICS " _____ "

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Copy No _____
Hq 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
Bien Hoa, RVN
092000H Apr 66
TRF

ANNEX J (Sequence of Events) to OPORD 5-66 (Operation DENVER) (U)

SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

10 April 1966

<u>ITEM NO</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
1	0655	1/503 loads 1st lift UH-1D's at SNAKEPIT
2	0700	1st lift UH-1D's departs.
3	0700	Loading of C-130 aircraft commences.
4	0710	1/503 loads CH-47's at SNAKEPIT.
5	0715	CH-47 lift departs SNAKEPIT.
6	0750	1st lift UH-1D's lands SONG BE.
7	0800	CH-47 lift lands SONG BE.
8	0830	HU-1D's refuel at THU LOI.
9	0900	C&C element (1/503), Chalk 1 (C-130) departs Bien Hoa.
10	0855	1/503 lands 2nd lift UH-1D's at SNAKEPIT.
11	0900	2nd lift UH-1D's departs SNAKEPIT.
12	0930	C&C element (1/503) Chalk 1 (C-130) lands SONG BE.
13	0950	2nd lift UH-1D's lands SONG BE.
14		Arty Btry (3/319) Chalks 2-7 (C-130) cleared of BIEN HOA.
15		Chalks 2-7 closed at SONG BE.
16		E/17 Cav, Chalks 8-12 (C-130) clear of BIEN HOA.
17		Chalks 8-12 closed at SONG BE.
18		LOC, Chalks 13-17 (C-130) clear of BIEN HOA.
19		Chalks 13-17 closed at SONG BE.
20		Spt Bn (Logistical Build-up Chalks 18-36 (C-130) clear of BIEN HOA.
21		Chalks 18-36 closed at SONG BE.

11 April 1966

22	0700	1st lift UH-1D's, 2/503d departs SNAKEPIT.
23	0700	1st C-130 aircraft loads and departs BIEN HOA subsequent sorties follow ASAP.
24	0710	2/503 loads CH-47's at SNAKEPIT.
25	0715	CH-47 lift, 2/503 departs SNAKEPIT.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Annex J (Sequence of Events) (Cont'd)

<u>ITEM NO</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
26	0750	1st lift UH-1D, 2/503 lands SONG BE.
27	0800	CH-47 lift 2/503 lands SONG BE.
28	0830	UH-1D's refuel at PHU LOI.
29	0855	2/503 loads 2d lift UH-1D's at SNAKEPIT.
30	0900	2d lift UH-1D's depart SNAKEPIT.
31	0950	2d lift UH-1D's land SONG BE.
12 April 1966		
32	0700	1st C-130 aircraft loads and departs BIEN HOA. Other sorties follow ASAP.
13 April 1966		
33	0655	1/RAR loads first lift UH-1D's at SNAKEPIT.
34	0700	1st lift RAR, UH-1D's departs.
35	0700	1st C-130 aircraft loads and departs BIEN HOA. Other sorties follow ASAP.
36	0715	CH-47 lift, 1/RAR departs SNAKEPIT.
37	0750	1st lift UH-1D, 1/RAR lands SONG BE.
38	0800	CH-47 lift 1/RAR lands SONG BE.
39	0830	HU-1D's refuel PHU LOI.
40	0855	1/RAR loads 2d lift UH-1D's at SNAKEPIT.
41	0900	2d lift UH-1D's, 1/RAR depart SNAKEPIT.
42	0950	2d lift UH-1D's lands SONG BE.

Acknowledge

SMITH
Brig Gen

DISTRIBUTION: Annex Z (Distribution)

OFFICIAL

Christenson
CHRISTENSON
C3

CONFIDENTIAL

Annex K (Army Aviation) to OPORD 5-66 (Operation DENVER) (U)

Reference: Same as OPORD 5-66

1. Situation:

a. Enemy: Annex B (Intelligence)

b. Friendly:

(1) 11th Avn Bn (Reinforced) provides troop lift and armed helicopters.

(2) 315th TCW Air Traffic Control Team provides air traffic control unit to control operational airfield.

(3) A/82d.

2. Mission: Same as OPORD 5-66.

a. Concept: OPORD 5-66.

b. A/82

(1) Provide one (1) C&C helicopter to Bde Command Group D-Day 0700 until termination.

(2) Attach ten (10) UH-1D helicopters to the 11th Avn Bn D-Day 0630 until D-Day 1000 hours, D+1 (TBP) until D+1 (TBP) hours, and D+3 (TBP) until D+3 (TBP) hours.

(3) Provide two (2) LFT's on five (5) minute standby D+3 (TBP) in operational area when not being utilized.

(4) Provide one (1) OH-13 for Brigade standby D+3 0700 hours until termination of operation.

(5) Establish Army Aviation elements of FSCC in Brigade TOC D-Day until termination of operation.

(6) Provide Psy War loudspeaker on call.

(7) Company (-) direct support.

c. 11th Aviation Battalion

Attached: A/82d Avn Bn (10 UH1D) for Bn airmobile operations.

(1) Commander 11th Avn Bn designated airmobile commander during all airmobile operations.

(2) Provide thirty (30) UH-1D and ten (10) CH-47 to airlift 173d Abn Bde (-) on D-Day 0630 until D-Day 1000 hours, D+1 (TBP) until D+1 (TBP) hours, and D+3 (TBP) until (TBP) hours.

(3) Provide two (2) CH-47 on D+1 0900 hours until 1030 hours. Pickup point Pearson Field, 173d Bde area.

(4) Provide rapid refueling during all airmobile operations.

(5) Provide pathfinder and weather teams during all airmobile operations.

d. Air Traffic Control Unit (Unit to be designated).

(1) Provide air traffic control for Song Be (South) airfield during D-Day until termination.

(2) Hours of operation of control unit 00+30 before sunrise and 00+30 after sunset.

(3) Provide UHF, VHF, FM Low Freq and Automatic direction finding equipment.

e. Fixed Wing Support (unit to be designated).

(1) Provide continuous aerial FO coverage commencing D-Day (TBP) hours until termination.

(2) Provide continuous radio relay from D-Day until termination 1930-0630 daily.

(3) Base of operations Song Be (South).

f. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Staging area for all airmobile operations Snake Pit.

(2) Refueling for airmobile operations Phu Loi established by 11th Aviation Battalion.

(3) Loading time for all lifts per sequence of events in OPOD.

(4) Artillery and airstrike information for air traffic call CASPER CONTROL 312.3 UHF.

(5) VCC collection point located at Bde log base, call CASPER CONTROL frequency 312.3 when inbound with VCC.

Acknowledge

SMITH
Brig Gen

Distribution: Annex Z

OFFICIAL

Christenson
CHRISTENSON

C3

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Copy No _____
Hq 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
BIEN HOA, RVN
092000H Apr 66
PRP

ANNEX L (Points of Origin) to OPORD 5-66 (Operation DENVER) (U)

Effective 0600H to 0600H daily:

10-1308	COUNTRY	11-1406	GIRL	12-1410	COLOR
1505	BOY	1009	CAR	1006	CITY
1709	FISH	1403	DOG	1705	BOY
13-1799	RIVER	14-1208	COUNTRY	15-0708	FRUIT
0910	TREE	0602	COLOR	1005	CAR
1103	FISH	1501	BOY	1396	CITY
16-1797	DOG	17-1202	GIRL	18-1503	OCEAN
0706	FISH	1796	RIVER	0700	CAR
0208	TREE	0610	COLOR	1999	DOG
19-1099	FRUIT	20-1499	SPORT	21-1206	BEER
0709	CITY	0505	COUNTRY	0701	COLOR
1505	TREE	1309	BOY	1997	FISH
22-1099	GIRL				
0606	STATE				
1305	CAR				

Acknowledge

SMITH
Brig Gen

DISTRIBUTION: Annex Z (Distribution)

OFFICIAL

Christenson
CHRISTENSON
03

CONFIDENTIAL

Copy No _____
Hq 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
BIEN HOA, RVN
092000H Apr 66
FRP

ANNEX Z (Distribution) to OFORD 5-66 (Operation DENVER)

CG	1
DCO	2
XO	3
C1	4
C2	5
C3	6-9
C4	10
C5	11
Bde Avn Off	12
Bde Surgeon	13
Bde Chem	14
Bde FSOC	15
Bde Commo Off	16
Bde PMO	17
Bde Engr Off	18
1/503	19-22
2/503	23-26
1/RAR	27-30
3/319	31-34
Spt Bn	35-38
HHC	39
Hq Cmtt	40
D/16	41
E/17	42
Engr Co	43
RRU Det	44
172d MI	45
Bde ALO	46
COMAAFV	47
Admin Co	48
Co A 82nd	49
II FFV	50-53
Historical Fire	54-59
11 Avn Bn	60
APARTS	61-65

Acknowledge

SMITH
Brig Gen

DISTRIBUTION: Annex Z (Distribution)

OFFICIAL

Christenson
CHRISTENSON
C3

CONFIDENTIAL

CO

Copy _____ of _____ Copies
HQ, 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
APO U.S. Forces 96250
092000 Apr 66
PRP

Annex B (Intelligence) to OPORD 5-66 (Denver) (U)

1. GENERAL: The area of interest lies in the vicinity of Song Be, in the northern half of Phuoc Long Province.
2. TERRAIN: The terrain throughout the AO is hilly. The area in the immediate vicinity of Song Be is dominated by the mountain Nui Ba Ra (YU 1807). There are a few scattered rubber plantations in the area but the majority of the terrain consists of hill masses with thick forest cover. The forests and plantation vegetation afford good concealment and cover. Ground observation and fields of fire are restricted throughout the AO.
3. HYDROGRAPHY: The primary hydrographic feature in the area is the Song Be river which flows in a southeasterly direction. This is unfordable all year round. There are many small tributaries of the Song Be found in the area, which will offer an obstacle to foot troops only during the rainy season. The Song Be is large enough to accommodate sampans, and most of the tributaries will accommodate small sampans.
4. VEGETATION: The majority of the AO is covered with primary and secondary rain forest, except for the rubber plantations and other cultivated areas. This dense vegetation will conceal VC movement from aerial observation and greatly restrict ground observation. Vehicular traffic will be restricted to the existing roads in most places, and cross country movement by foot troops will be slow and arduous.
5. WEATHER: The monsoon cycle in the AO is the same as the Bien Hoa Area. The rainy season extends from May through November.
6. ROUTES OF COMMUNICATION: The major road in the area is National Highway 14, which is a hard surfaced, all weather road. The major road into Song Be is the secondary road which intersects National Highway 14 at YT 079 758. This road exits Song Be at YT 178095, and rejoins Highway 14 at YU 290 978. The road is used daily by the populace, but is VC controlled. It is not considered safe for military traffic.
7. OBSTACLES: The major obstacle in the area is the Song Be River, which is unfordable all year round. The bridges at YT 075752, YT 075912, YT 165821, and YU 303010 are impassable.
8. POPULATION CONTROL: The province population is approximately 51,000, with the ethnic breakdown as follows: Vietnamese (66%), Cambodian (2%), Montagnard (Stieng Tribe 32%). There are only three areas in the province considered under government control, the area around Song Be, and the towns of Bu Dop (XU 9829), and Dong Xoai (YT 0875). There are no free strike areas as such within the province. The curfew commences at 2000 hours.
9. FRIENDLY ORDER OF BATTLE: The following friendly Order of Battle is current as of 9 April 1966.

Phuoc Binh (YU 182112)

1/9 Inf Battalion (ARVN)
31st Ranger Battalion (-)
2 155mm howitzers
4 105mm howitzers
3 Regional Force Companies

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Annex B (Intelligence) to OPOD 5-66 (Denver) (U)

Duc Phong (YT 4505)

- 1 company, 31st Ranger Battalion
- 1 CIDG Company
- 1 Regional Force Company

Dong Xoai (YT 0876)

- 4 CIDG Companies
- 2 - 105mm howitzers

Bu Dop (YT 9728)

- 4 CIDG Companies
- 1 - 4.2 inch mortar

Phuoc Loc (YT 9725)

- 1 Regional Force Company

10. VC HARD INSTALLATIONS: See Appendix 4 (Hard Installations)

11. VC FORCES:

a. Local Force: The total VC strength indigenous to Phuoc Long Province is estimated to be approximately 2200. Of this number, about 1000 are political cadre and 1200 are military personnel. The VC forces are broken down into 1 Provincial Battalion (C-270) and 1 Provincial Company (C-280). Each district has approximately one company sized guerrilla unit. Each hamlet in the VC controlled areas has a security force composed of one squad to one platoon of guerrillas.

b. Main Force: Two VCC captured in late March stated that the 602nd, 603rd and 605th NVA battalions were located approximately 7 kilometers northeast of Song Be. A rallier who recently turned himself into Dong Xoai, stated that the 271st Main Force Regiment was located vicinity YT 1173 as late as 30 March and had enough food for one month. The rallier stated that the 271st would remain in the area for 30 days for training.

12. SPARS: There has been no significant SPAR activity around Song Be in recent months, but there has been significant SPAR activity in the area south of Dong Xoai and in the area southeast of Song Be, on the Phuoc Long - Lam Dong border (YT 6090).

13. SUMMARY: Local Force elements can be expected to be encountered anywhere in Phuoc Long Province with the exception of the few hamlets under government control. There have been several reports of North Vietnamese Army (NVA) units of company and battalion size being located to the west and northeast of Song Be. There are known infiltration routes in these areas, and it is felt that these NVA units were merely moving through the area. The chances of contacting elements of the 271 or 273 Main Force Regiments in the vicinity (primarily south) of Dong Xoai are fairly good. Both of these units moved into this area during the later stages on operation "Silver City".

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Annex B (Intelligence) to OPOD 5-66 (Denver) (U)

The presence of these units has been confirmed by agent reports, a rallier interrogation report, and SPAR activity.

Acknowledge:

SMITH
Brig Gen

Appendices:

1. Order of Battle
2. Airstrips
3. Potential LZ's
4. VC Hard Installations
5. II Report

DISTRIBUTION: Same as OPOD 5-66

OFFICIAL:

Marshall

MARSHALL
C2

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Copy _____ of _____ Copies
HQ, 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
APO U.S. Forces 96250
092000 Apr 66
PRP

Appendix 1 (Order of Battle) to Annex B (Intelligence) to OPORD 5-66 (U)

The following is a breakdown of Main Force and Local Force units that could be encountered within the AO.

271 Main Force Regiment

CO: Lt Col Nguyen The Truyew

Strength: 2000

Weapons:

Unk # B-40's

Unk # RR's

Unk # Mortars

1st Infantry Battalion (J10)

CO: Bui Thanh Van Trong

Weapons:

3 MG's

24 AR's

62 SMG's

50 Carbines

Assorted small arms

2nd Infantry Battalion (J15)

CO: Mai Liem

Weapons:

3 - 57MM RRs

3 - MG's

24 - AR's

66 - SMG's

Assorted small arms

3rd Infantry Battalion (J20)

CO: Phau Van Huan

Weapons:

2 - DKZ's

2 - MG's

18 - AR's

28 - SMG's

62 - Carbines

Assorted rifles

B13 81mm Mortar Company

B15 Air Defense Company

B16 Reconnaissance Company

B17 Signal Company

B18 Engineer Company

B20 Transportation Company

B22 Medical Company

B4 Sapper Platoon

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Appendix 1 (Order of Battle) to Annex B (Intelligence) to OPORD 5-66 (U)

273rd Main Force Regiment

CO: Huynh Van Mot
Strength: 2000
Weapons:
Unk # Mortars
Unk # RRs
PRC-10 radios

1st Infantry Battalion (707)

CO: Anh Hai
Weapons:
2 - MGs
2 - ARs
Unk # 57mm RRs
Unk # 75mm RRs
Assorted small arms

2nd Infantry Battalion (709)

CO: Tu Phuoc
Weapons:
6 - MG's
30 - AR's
60 - SMG's
Assorted small arms

3rd Infantry Battalion (711)

CO: Huynh Van Cuong
Weapons:
Unk # RRs
assorted small arms

Supply Company

CO: Unk
Weapons: Unk

602 NVA Battalion (Last reported location: YU 250140 22 Mar)

603 NVA Battalion (Last reported location: YU 260160 10 Mar)

605 NVA Battalion (Last reported location: XU 956100 10 Mar)

C270 Local Force Battalion

CO: Unk
Strength: 330

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Appendix 1 (Order of Battle) to Annex B (Intelligence) to OPORD 5-66 (U)

C280 Local Force Company

CO: Unk
Strength: 150
Weapons: Unk

C460 Local Force Company (Last reported location: XU 970135
19 Mar 66, F/6)

Acknowledge:

SMITH
Brig Gen

DISTRIBUTION: Same as OPORD 5-66

OFFICIAL:

Marshall

MARSHALL
C2

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Copy _____ of _____ Copies
HQ, 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
APO U.S. Forces 96250
092000 Apr 66
PRP

Appendix 2 (Landing Strips) to Annex B (Intelligence) to OPORD 5-66
(Austin) (U)

The following is a list of landing strips within the Area of Operations:

<u>AIRFIELD LOCATION</u>	<u>RUNWAY DIMENSIONS</u>	<u>ELEVATION</u>	<u>RUNWAY HEADING</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
Phuoc Binh YU 40068	4000 X 100	797	05/23	Asphalt
Dakkir YU 052145	2940 X 98	410	18/316	Laterite & Sod
Phu Rieng	3900 X 50	663	09/27	Rolled laterite, poor condition
Thuan Loi XT 060818	2100 X 45	605	02/20	Laterite
Noi YT 274964	1500 X 200	825	18/36	Sod
Song Be YU 182108	1200 X 25	800		Laterite & Sod

Acknowledge:

SMITH
Brig Gen

DISTRIBUTION: Same as OPORD 5-66

OFFICIAL:

(fa) LaSaba
MARSHALL
C2

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Copy _____ of _____ Copies
HQ, 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
APO U.S. Forces 96250
092000 Apr 66
PRP

Appendix 3 (Potential LZ's) to Annex B (Intelligence) to OPORD 5-66 (Denver) (U)

<u>Nr.</u>	<u>Coordinates</u>	<u>Size (Meters)</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1	YU 178146	800 X 800	Generally a cleared area w/scattered bare trees and brush. Marginal use.
2	YU 194151 to YU 210135	2000 X 1000	Area consists of small patches cleared w/scattered bare trees. Marginal use.
3	YU 239127	600 X 250	Perennially wet area w/dense brush. Landings could be made along the edges of the tree line. Marginal use.
4	YU 217117	500 X 250	Generally a cleared area w/scattered trees and brush. Marginal use.
5	YU 174105	400 X 200	Generally a cleared area except for cultural features. Marginal use.
6	YU 176092 to YU 194091	1700 X 200	Landings are impossible along the road and the rice paddies. Marginal use.
7	YU 162055 to YU 167073	1700 X 400	Predominantly rice paddies. Marginal use.
8	YU 140052 to YU 150050	100 X 150	Area is generally cleared behind the house, except for cultural features.
9	YU 22047 to YU 126034	1200 X 300	Predominantly rice paddies w/dense brush. Marginal use.
10	YU 080028 to YU 070017	1200 X 300	Area is generally clear along the road. Marginal use.

The following LZ's are located within the AO and no further information is available on them:

<u>LZ LOCATION</u>	<u>LZ CAPACITY</u>	<u>ACCEPT ARTILLERY</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
YT 060818	50	Yes	Air strip
YT 113772	15	Yes	Hwy
YT 073757	50	Yes	Hwy
YT 070744	30	Yes	Hwy

Acknowledge:

SMITH
Brig Gen

DISTRIBUTION: Same as OPORD 5-66

OFFICIAL:

Marshall
MARSHALL
C2

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Copy _____ of _____ Copies
HQ, 173d Abn Bde (Seo)
APO U.S. Forces 96250
092000 Apr 66
PRP

Appendix 4 (VC Hard Installations) to Annex B (Intelligence) to OPORD 5-66
(Denver) (U)

The following is a list of hard installations within Phuoc Long
Province:

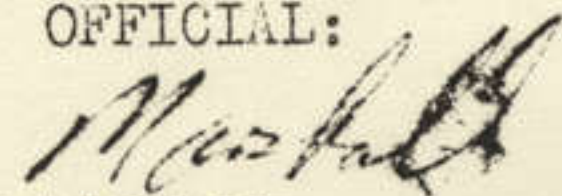
<u>INSTALLATION</u>	<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Supply Base	XU 956159	4 Feb 66
Training Base	XU 967168	1 Jan 66
Supply Base	YU 022212	
Supply Base	YU 193193	8 Feb
Supply Base	YU 186184	29 Jan 66
Supply Base	YU 204154	7 Feb 66
Supply Base	YU 275160	10 Mar 66
Supply Base	YU 250058	11 Mar 66
Training Base	YT 100745	20 Jan 66 F/6

Acknowledge:

SMITH
Brig Gen

DISTRIBUTION: Same as OPORD 5-66

OFFICIAL:



MARSHALL
C2

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Copy _____ of _____ Copies
HQ, 173d Abn Bde (Sep)
APO U.S. Forces 96250
09200 Apr 66
PKP

Appendix 5 (II Report) to Annex B (Intelligence) to OPORD 5-66 (Denver) (U)

The following information pertaining to the Area of Operations (AO) for Operation "Denver" was extracted from II reports on the dates indicated.

Fortifications:

<u>Nr.</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
1	YU 185035	Strong point	13 Mar 66
2	YU 387045	Possible Underground entrance	19 Feb 66
3	YU 383043	Possible Underground entrance	19 Feb 66
4	YU 303010	Old Strong point	19 Feb 66
5	YT 061753	Settlement w/foxholes, underground entrance, 2 AA positions	18 Feb 66
6	YT 054787	Radio Relay Tower	9 Mar 66
7	YT 014742	Possible underground entrance	28 Feb 66
8	YT 086758	Strong point	19 Feb 66
9	YT 081757	Foxholes or mantraps	19 Feb 66
10	YT 018787	AW position & trench	1 Mar 66
11	YT 073874	Probable watch tower	9 Mar 66
12	YT 076896	Possible underground entrance w/ supplies nearby	9 Mar 66
13	YT 124770	3 possible AA positions in heavily wooded area	1 Mar 66
14	YT 119738	4 possible storage areas	1 Mar 66
15	YT 105768	Possible tunnel or trench on tree line	1 Mar 66
16	YT 110895	Dirt airstrip, 85% destroyed (200 X 4000), two AA positions, foxholes & underground entrance & possible underground storage area	13 Mar 66
17	YT 150831	Possible underground entrance	21 Mar 66
18	YT 108977	4 trench complexes	5 Mar 66
19	YT 109978	Unoccupied strong point	5 Mar 66
20	YT 110979	1950 foot trench	5 Mar 66
21	YT 192995	943 foot trench	5 Mar 66
22	YT 229878	Possible supply stocks	27 Mar 66
23	YT 253967	Possible AW Postion	18 Feb 66

Road Interdiction

1	YT 069732	Road block	1 Mar 66
2	YT 055662	Destroyed Bridge	28 Feb 66
3	XT 991860	2 foot bridge over stream	20 Feb 66
4	XT 931724	Destroyed Bridge	18 Feb 66
5	XT 937727	Destroyed Bridge	18 Feb 66
6	XT 920705	Damaged bridge w/by-pass & well used trail	8 Mar 66
7	YU 335049	Make shift dam	19 Feb 66
8	YU 307010	Foot bridge over stream	19 Feb 66
9	YU 383068	Destroyed Bridge	13 Mar 66
10	YU 097257	Bridge partially damaged	Feb 66
11	YT 258988	Road Block	18 Feb 66
12	YT 253980	3 foot bridge	11 Feb 66
13	YT 227864	6 road cuts, no by-pass	27 Mar 66
14	YT 174830	3 road cuts, 1 road block	21 Mar 66
15	YT 145730	Road interdicted	27 Feb 66
16	YT 173731	Destroyed Bridge	13 Mar 66
17	YT 111743	Destroyed Bridge	28 Feb 66

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Appendix 5 (II Report) to Annex B (Intelligence) to OPOD 5-66 (Denver) (U)

Nr.	Location	Description	Date
18	YT 075912	1 damaged bridge & 1 used for by-pass	25 Dec 65
19	YT 064850	Road Block	9 Mar 66
20	YT 075750	Destroyed bridge w/by-pass	18 Feb 66
21	YT 165821	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
22	YU 303010	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66

Acknowledge:

SMITH
Brig Gen

DISTRIBUTION: Same as OPOD 5-66

OFFICIAL:

MARSHALL
C2

13	YT 075912	1 damaged bridge & 1 used for by-pass	25 Dec 65
14	YT 064850	Road Block	9 Mar 66
15	YT 075750	Destroyed bridge w/by-pass	18 Feb 66
16	YT 165821	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
17	YU 303010	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
18	YT 075912	1 damaged bridge & 1 used for by-pass	25 Dec 65
19	YT 064850	Road Block	9 Mar 66
20	YT 075750	Destroyed bridge w/by-pass	18 Feb 66
21	YT 165821	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
22	YU 303010	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
23	YT 075912	1 damaged bridge & 1 used for by-pass	25 Dec 65
24	YT 064850	Road Block	9 Mar 66
25	YT 075750	Destroyed bridge w/by-pass	18 Feb 66
26	YT 165821	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
27	YU 303010	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
28	YT 075912	1 damaged bridge & 1 used for by-pass	25 Dec 65
29	YT 064850	Road Block	9 Mar 66
30	YT 075750	Destroyed bridge w/by-pass	18 Feb 66
31	YT 165821	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
32	YU 303010	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
33	YT 075912	1 damaged bridge & 1 used for by-pass	25 Dec 65
34	YT 064850	Road Block	9 Mar 66
35	YT 075750	Destroyed bridge w/by-pass	18 Feb 66
36	YT 165821	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
37	YU 303010	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
38	YT 075912	1 damaged bridge & 1 used for by-pass	25 Dec 65
39	YT 064850	Road Block	9 Mar 66
40	YT 075750	Destroyed bridge w/by-pass	18 Feb 66
41	YT 165821	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
42	YU 303010	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
43	YT 075912	1 damaged bridge & 1 used for by-pass	25 Dec 65
44	YT 064850	Road Block	9 Mar 66
45	YT 075750	Destroyed bridge w/by-pass	18 Feb 66
46	YT 165821	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
47	YU 303010	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
48	YT 075912	1 damaged bridge & 1 used for by-pass	25 Dec 65
49	YT 064850	Road Block	9 Mar 66
50	YT 075750	Destroyed bridge w/by-pass	18 Feb 66
51	YT 165821	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
52	YU 303010	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
53	YT 075912	1 damaged bridge & 1 used for by-pass	25 Dec 65
54	YT 064850	Road Block	9 Mar 66
55	YT 075750	Destroyed bridge w/by-pass	18 Feb 66
56	YT 165821	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
57	YU 303010	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
58	YT 075912	1 damaged bridge & 1 used for by-pass	25 Dec 65
59	YT 064850	Road Block	9 Mar 66
60	YT 075750	Destroyed bridge w/by-pass	18 Feb 66
61	YT 165821	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
62	YU 303010	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
63	YT 075912	1 damaged bridge & 1 used for by-pass	25 Dec 65
64	YT 064850	Road Block	9 Mar 66
65	YT 075750	Destroyed bridge w/by-pass	18 Feb 66
66	YT 165821	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
67	YU 303010	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
68	YT 075912	1 damaged bridge & 1 used for by-pass	25 Dec 65
69	YT 064850	Road Block	9 Mar 66
70	YT 075750	Destroyed bridge w/by-pass	18 Feb 66
71	YT 165821	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
72	YU 303010	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
73	YT 075912	1 damaged bridge & 1 used for by-pass	25 Dec 65
74	YT 064850	Road Block	9 Mar 66
75	YT 075750	Destroyed bridge w/by-pass	18 Feb 66
76	YT 165821	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
77	YU 303010	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
78	YT 075912	1 damaged bridge & 1 used for by-pass	25 Dec 65
79	YT 064850	Road Block	9 Mar 66
80	YT 075750	Destroyed bridge w/by-pass	18 Feb 66
81	YT 165821	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
82	YU 303010	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
83	YT 075912	1 damaged bridge & 1 used for by-pass	25 Dec 65
84	YT 064850	Road Block	9 Mar 66
85	YT 075750	Destroyed bridge w/by-pass	18 Feb 66
86	YT 165821	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
87	YU 303010	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
88	YT 075912	1 damaged bridge & 1 used for by-pass	25 Dec 65
89	YT 064850	Road Block	9 Mar 66
90	YT 075750	Destroyed bridge w/by-pass	18 Feb 66
91	YT 165821	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
92	YU 303010	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
93	YT 075912	1 damaged bridge & 1 used for by-pass	25 Dec 65
94	YT 064850	Road Block	9 Mar 66
95	YT 075750	Destroyed bridge w/by-pass	18 Feb 66
96	YT 165821	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
97	YU 303010	Destroyed bridge	10 Feb 66
98	YT 075912	1 damaged bridge & 1 used for by-pass	25 Dec 65
99	YT 064850	Road Block	9 Mar 66
100	YT 075750	Destroyed bridge w/by-pass	18 Feb 66

CONFIDENTIAL

HEADQUARTERS
1st MILITARY INTELLIGENCE DETACHMENT
APO US FORCES 96345

6 April 1966

SUBJECT: Information Report

TO: G2, 1st Infantry Division

Based on the interrogation of various local villagers, the following individuals are known to be VC operating in the area:

BAC	
BINH	Ethnic North Vietnamese, 21-22 yrs old, Binh Ba village cadre, armed with Colt 45 pistol.
CAM	Local guerilla, armed with an M1 rifle, red stock rifle, or submachine gun.
CHIN	Female.
NGUYEN THI DONG	Female, 40 yrs old, member of admin section.
NGUYEN VAN HA	Guerilla, armed with MAS 36.
HIEU	Guerilla, armed with red stock rifle.
KHOAT	28 yrs old, member of admin section.
LINH	28 yrs old, cadre of Duc Hanh district, armed with carbine.
BA LOC	30-32 yrs old, fat.
BA LUAN	25-30 yrs old, tall, guerilla, armed with red stock rifle.
LUC	Nurse, armed with carbine.
MAI	Guerilla, armed with red stock rifle.
MAU	Guerilla, armed with MAS 36.
NHO	Armed with carbine.
NHUNG	Guerilla, armed with M1.
NUOI	Guerilla, armed with red stock rifle.
PHUC	Female, 18 yrs old.

SUBJECT: Information Report (cont)

6 Apr 66.

SAC Armed with red stock rifle.
NGUYEN THI TAM Female, 25-29 yrs old, leader of admin section.
THANG 21 yrs old.
THANH 29 yrs old, guerilla, armed with red stock rifle.
THANH Female, 20 yrs old.
THIEM 26-29 yrs old, village guerilla leader, armed with carbine, Thompson, or German rifle.
THIEN (possibly TU THIEN) Female, 30-35 yrs old, small and short, usually comes to village to force villagers to attend propaganda meetings, armed with a grenade.
TONG Guerilla, armed with red stock rifle.
NGUYEN VAN TRONG Guerilla, armed with red stock rifle.
VU VAN TRONG 26-28 yrs old, village party chief of Binh Ba village, armed with carbine, concurrently assistant guerilla squad leader.
TU Guerilla, armed with red stock rifle or carbine.
TUT Armed with M1 or red stock rifle.
NGUYEN VAN UAN Member of admin section.
XUAN Armed with red stock rifle.

WARREN R MAC DIARMID
Captain, AIS
Interrogation Officer

CONFIDENTIAL

XX

IMMEDIATE
PRIORITY

CG 1ST INF DIV

1ST INF DIV (DI AN)
1ST BDE (PHUOC VINH)
2ND BDE (FWD)
3RD BDE (FWD)
DIV ARTY (FWD)
1ST AVN (PHU LOI)

CONFIDENTIAL SPHINX AVID-I

1. RECENT ACTIVITIES

- A. 1/4 CAV APC WAS DESTROYED BY RR FIRE VIC YS 488650. 2 US WIA.
- ① B. 1ST ENG VEHICLE HIT A MINE VIC YS 5677. 3 US WIA.
- C. A/O REPORTS THAT ROUTE #2 IS CUT VIC YS 463818.
- D. 8/6 ARTY FOUND CAMP VIC YS 527790. ALSO, LIVESTOCK AND
EMPTY HOUSES VIC YS 535784.
- E. AIRCRAFT RECEIVED SA FIRE VIC YS 621649.
- F. 10TH DIV REPORTS A NEW BUILDING WHICH MAY BE A VC HOSPITAL
VIC YS 605820.

2. ENEMY MOVEMENTS

- ② A. TWO VC PLATOONS WERE REPORTED VIC YS 621649. (F/6)

DANGER 202

WILLIAM M MANN, JR, MAJOR, OPNS O

CONFIDENTIAL

GP3

RAR

CONFIDENTIAL

IMMEDIATE
PRIORITY

XX

DA

CG 1ST INF DIV

1ST DIV (DI AN)
1ST BDE (PHUOC VINH)
2ND BDE (FWD)
3RD BDE (FWD)
DIV ARTY (FWD)
1ST AVN BN (PHU LOI)

CONFIDENTIAL AVID-I

1. RECENT ACTIVITIES:

- A. 2/16 RECEIVED 12 MORTAR RDS AT 0530H RESULTING IN 2 KIA
AND 2 MIA VIC YS 545673.
- B. LRRP FOUND BASE CAMP VIC YS 740762.
- C. 1/16 FOUND 150-200 LB BAGS OF RICE AND SEVERAL GRENADES
VIC YS 603585.
- D. 1/RAR FOUND A BASE CAMP VIC YS 435698.
- E. 1/16 FOUND A BASE CAMP VIC YS 602586 WITH 10 TONS OF RICE
AND NUMEROUS GRENADE BOOBY TRAPS.
- F. 1/RAR KILLED ONE VC (BC) VIC YS 408739.

GP3

06 1630Z

APRIL 1966

AVID-I

WILLIAM M MANN, JR, MAJOR, OPNS O

DANGER 202 1 1

CONFIDENTIAL

1/RAR

CONFIDENTIAL

CG 1ST INF DIV

1. RECENT ACTIVITIES:

- A. 2/16 FOUND 2 BASE CAMPS VIC YS 544684 AND YS 544686.
- B. 2/16 FOUND A WAY STATION WITH SIX HUTS VIC YS 548678.
- C. 1/RAR FOUND BASE CAMP VIC YS 471720.
- D. PILOT SAW A LONE TRACK VEHICLE AND RECEIVED SA FIRE VIC YS 402648.
- 1 E. 1/4 CAV REPORTED ALL BRIDGES OUT ON THE ROAD FROM YS 5561 TO YS 6164.
- 2 F. 1/18 MADE CONTACT WITH 4 VC VIC YS 515702. 1 VC WIA (POSS), 1 WEAPON CAPTURED.
- 3 G. 2/16 KILLED ONE VC (BC) VIC YS 536677.
- H. 1/RAR FOUND A RICE CACHE VIC YS 433725.
- 4 I. AIRCRAFT RECEIVED GROUND FIRE VIC YS 348766, YS 344766, AND YS 428740. *what time*

2. REPORTED ENEMY MOVEMENT:

- A. AN ARVN SYMPATIZER REPORTED THAT AT 011600H APRIL AN ESTIMATED 2 VC COMPANIES MOVED FROM YS 555667 TO YS 540600. (F/6)
- B. AT 040100H APRIL CIVILIANS GOING TO DAT DO TO BUY FOOD SAW MANY VC ALONG BOTH SIDES OF THE SONG RAI RIVER VIC YS 599638. (F/6)
- C. ON 270800H MARCH THE VC FORCED CIVILIANS TO DIG 1,000 METERS OF COMBAT FORTIFICATIONS VIC YS 502558. (F/6)
- 5 D. AGENTS HAVE REPORTED THREE SEPARATE SIGHTINGS OF VC IN ARVN UNIFORMS SINCE 27 MARCH 66 IN PHUOC TUY PROVINCE. (F/3)

AVID-I

WILLIAM M MANN, JR, MAJOR, OPNS O

DANGER 202

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

X

IMMEDIATE
PRIORITY

CG 1ST INF DIV FWD

CO 2D BDE, FWD

CO 3D BDE, FWD

CO DIV ARTY, FWD

DISTR:

C/S

G-2

G-3

G-4

G-5

PART I FOR CO 2D BDE:

PART II FOR CO 3D BDE:

CONFIDENTIAL _____ AVID-T

PART I

1. 2D BRIGADE CONDUCTS SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN COLORADO 8-13 APRIL INCLUSIVE.
2. PREPARE TO MOVE TO ASSEMBLY AREA VIC XUAN LOC (YT460092) 14 APRIL FOR SUBSEQUENT REDEPLOYMENT TO BEAR CAT.

PART II

1. 3D BRIGADE CONDUCTS SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN KANSAS 6-11 APRIL INCLUSIVE. OPERATIONS WILL PROVIDE AS EXTENSIVE COVERAGE OF KANSAS AS POSSIBLE WITHIN TIME LIMITATION.
2. PREPARE TO CONDUCT RAPID THRUST INTO MONTANA 12 APRIL TO VICINITY OBJECTIVE 3. CONDUCT SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS 12-13 APRIL VICINITY M-4 (YS684853) AND OBJECTIVE 3.

APRIL 1966

1

2

SAM S WALKER
IE COL, GS
ACoCS, G3

CONFIDENTIAL

C O N F I D E N T I A L

CG 1ST INF DIV FWD

3. PREPARE TO MOVE TO ASSEMBLY AREA VICINITY XUAN LOC (YT
460092) 14 APRIL FOR SUBSEQUENT REDEPLOYMENT TO LAI KHE.

AVID-T

2

2

C O N F I D E N T I A L

CONFIDENTIAL

1/RAR

PRIORITY
ROUTINE

CG 1ST INF DIV

1ST DIV REAR

1ST BDE - PHUOC VINH

2ND BDE (FWD)

3RD BDE (FWD)

DIV ARTY (FWD)

1ST AVN BN (PHU LOI)

CONFIDENTIAL AVID-I

1. RECENT ACTIVITIES 04001 TO 042400H.

A. 2/18 KILLED 1 VC (BC) AND 2 VC WIA (POSS) VIC YS 522678.

1 ALSO SAW 8 VC VIC YS 517680, ONE WEARING KHAKI UNIFORM AND
REMAINDER IN BLACK.

B. 2/16 DESTROYED ONE TON SALT VIC YS 543687.

C. ROADBLOCK OF 8 TREES ON RT #1 VIC YT 2111.

2 D. 2/28 FOUND RICE CACHES, CLOTHES AND NUMEROUS CAVES
ALONG THE RICER FROM YS 5768 TO YS 5971.

E. 2/18 FOUND A BASE CAMP VIC YS 539694, YS 555688 AND
YS 557687.

F. 2/18 FOUND 2 TONS OF RICE VIC YS 563687.

3 G. 2/18 FOUND 100 TONS OF RICE VIC YS ~~511~~ 549689.

H. 1/RAR DESTROYED 1/2 TON RICE VIC YS 397753 AND FOUND A
BASE CAMP VIC YS 460749.

4 I. 2/16 LOCATED BASE CAMPS VIC YS 544700 (10 BUILDINGS),
YS 537727 (W/PA SET, PRINTING SET, SWITCH BOARD) AND YS 512688.

04 1400Z
APRIL 1966

AVID-I

WILLIAM M MANN, JR, MAJOR, OPNS O

DANGER 202 1 2

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

CG 1ST INF DIV

J. 2/16 FOUND 150 TONS RICE VIC YS 586681 AND ANOTHER 150 TONS VIC YS 556687. 2/18 FOUND 5 TONS OF RICE VIC YS 494693.

K. D/1/RAR AMBUSH PATROL KILLED 3 VC (BC), ONE VC WIA (ESCAPED) AND CAPTURED THREE WEAPONS VIC YS 466727.

L. AIRCRAFTS RECEIVED SA FIRE VIC YS 644655, YS 615647, AND YS 6000.

2. REPORTED ENEMY LOCATIONS.

A. 1/RAR CAPTURED ONE VC (WIA) WITH WEAPON. VCC STATED HE WAS FROM C-20 COMPANY. THE UNIT OPERATES FROM LONG TAN (YS 4865). UNIT STRENGTH IS 160 MEN AND IS ARMED WITH ONE 81MM MORTAR, ONE 60MM MORTAR, NINE 30 CAL MG'S.

B. NAVAL LNO SAW 35 BOATS FROM YS 6056 TO YS 6456.

C. A VC BN WAS REPORTED VIC YS 735805 (F/6). AN AIRSTRIKE WAS CONDUCTED IN THE AREA.

D. THE VC WORK IN THE VIC OF HILL MASS YS 6570. ONE VC COMPANY LOCATED YS 705701 TO YS 715721 ALONG THE STREAM. AT 040100H A VC BN WAS AT YS 600645. IT CAME FROM THE N.W. AND BELIEVED TO HAVE MOVED SOUTH TO THE COAST. (F/6)

E. ON/ 29 MARCH THE LOCAL VC OF BA RIA WERE LOCATED VIC YS 3861.

F. THE VC OF PHUOC HOA (YS 285635) HAVE COMPLETED MANY FOXHOLES AT THE FOOT OF THE HILL NEAR LONG DONG (YS 323638). (F/6).

G. ONE VC COMPANY WITH 3 AR'S LOCATED VIC YS 4353. THE VC FORCED CIVILIANS TO FERRY THEM TO YS 437570. (F/3)

H. ARMED TROOPS IN ARVN UNIFORMS WERE REPORTED FROM YS 646657 TO YS 650665. (F/6) (COMMENT: THERE WERE NO KNOWN ARVN OR US TROOPS IN THIS AREA.)

AVID-I

2

2

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
HEADQUARTERS 1ST INFANTRY DIVISION
APO San Francisco 96345

AVID-T

3 April 1966

SUBJECT: Ground Forces Commander's Daily Situation Report (SITREP)
020001H to 022400H Apr 66 (U)

TO: Commanding General
Headquarters II Field Force Vietnam
ATTN: G-3
APO US Forces 96227

1. (C) OPERATIONS SUMMARY:

a. General:

(1) 1st Bde, 1st Inf Div: 1/28 Inf continued Operation YORK establishing a battalion perimeter vic XT876386. Saturation patrols were conducted vicinity of the perimeter during the period with negative enemy contact. 1/26 Inf remained at PHUOC VINH conducting localized saturation patrols with negative enemy contact reported.

(2) 2d Bde, 1st Inf Div:

The ~~battalion~~^{BDE} displaced to new location in area TEXAS (YS5575) by air and tactical convoy. The ~~bat~~^{BDE} ~~alion~~ commenced airlift 021050H and closed 021430H. 1/18 Inf was lifted first closing LZ TERRY (YS535770) 021052H. The battalion began sweep operations to YS555756 without VC contact and closed for the night at that location. 2/16 Inf was lifted to LZ TOM (YS585725) commencing 021247H and closing approximately 021400H. The unit made no VC contact as it swept toward overnight position vic YS585725. 2/18 Inf was airlifted to LZ TERRY (YS535770) closing approximately 021430H. The battalion remained with brigade CP vic YS525780 without enemy contact. 021300H CG, 1st Inf Div instructed 2d Bde and 3d Bde to move 2/28 Inf to YS5870. The battalion was lifted to the area closing 021745H, reverting OPCON 2d Bde.

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS
DOD DIR 5200.10

Page 1 of 6 Pages

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

(3) 3^d Bde, 1st Inf Div: 020715H 1/16 Inf sustained 1 KIA and 1 WIA from a booby trap vic YS286715. A/1/2 Inf (plus 1 platoon C/1/2 Inf) conducted airmobile assault on LZ QUEEN (YS385758) commencing 020800H and closing 020846H. Element commenced S&D west. 021305H the company found and destroyed 7 huts and 1 dispensary vic YS382768. 021320H element found a a booby trap vic YS382728; it was destroyed in place. 021445H the company sustained 4 WIA from a mine vic YS381771. The company found a regimental supply point vic YS381769 consisting of 8 huts. 021446H A/1/2 Inf received SA fire vic YS382770. An unknown number of VC were pursued with negative results. 020935H vic YS360780 B/1/2 Inf engaged 12 VC resulting in 2 US WIA. 021050H C/1/2 Inf engaged unknown number of VC vic YS345740 with negative results. 2/28 Inf was moved to 2d Bde area closing 021725H.

(4) 1/4 Cav: The squadron (-) provided convoy escort for elements moving to new forward positions in area TEXAS (YS5575). The unit reported negative VC contact.

(5) 1/RAR: The battalion sustained 2 WIA from destroying a dud vic YS4585. The battalion conducted assault on BINH BA (YS450740) commencing 020745H securing that area by 020910H. 021000H B/1/RAR engaged a VC squad vic YS461743 resulting in 2 VC KIA (Poss) and 2 SA captured. Co C engaged 3 VC vic YS424748 capturing 1 VC. 021000H the battalion sustained 1 WIA from SA fire vic YS456850. 021030H element made contact with VC platoon vic YS461743 resulting in 2 VC KIA (BC), 1 VC KIA (Poss). 021228H element captured 28 VC's during sweep vic YS4594 and 021350H captured another 3 VC in that general vicinity. 021500H the battalion engaged unknown number of VC vic YS445945 resulting in 2 VC KIA (BC); also at this time elements of the battalion found food cache vic YS404728. 021505H Co C found another food cache at YS404728. 021710H the battalion closed into its new base area vic YS446742. 021715H Co C engaged 5 VC at YS426763 resulting in 5 VCC.

CONFIDENTIAL

(6) Div Arty Fwd: Div Arty elements departed former location at YS411876 and closed new area vic YS463785 021640H.

(7) Aircraft Maintenance: All aircraft maintenance personnel from 701st Maint Bn continued to assist 1st Avn Bn and D/1/4 Cav in obtaining maximum operational aircraft. Aircraft in for maintenance are being returned as quickly as possible.

b. Major Unit Operations:

(1) Operation YORK: US LOSSES: None. EN LOSSES: None.

(2) Operation ABILENE: US LOSSES: 2 KIA, 16 WIA.

FWGF LOSSES: 3 WIA. EN LOSSES (US): 2 KIA (BC), 33 grenades, 36 rds SA, numerous bunkers, 35 bldgs and huts, 750 lbs rice, 1 dispensary, 1 LAW, 1 tractor w/trailor, numerous booby traps destroyed. 3 base camps found. EN LOSSES (FWGF): 4 KIA (BC), 3 KIA (Poss), 37 VCC, 2 SA, 450 100 lb bags of rice, 50 cans peanut oil.

c. Plans Summary:

(1) 1st Bde, 1st Inf Div: 1/28 Inf continues Operation YORK with companies conducting saturation patrols from their present base camp. Remaining brigade elements conduct local security operations at PHUOC VINH base camp.

(2) 2d Bde, 1st Inf Div: The brigade continues Operation ABILENE with battalions conducting S&D operations in their area of operations.

(3) 3d Bde, 1st Inf Div: Brigade element continue ABILENE with element conducting S&D to the south and southwest. A/1/2 Inf conducts airmobile assault vic YS458766.

(4) 1/RAR: The battalion continues extensive saturation patrols vicinity their base camp area.

2. (C) STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

C. Objectives:

	<u>Province</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Init/Term</u>
C1	PHUOC TUY	YS455915	S&D	ABILENE	300630H Mar/Cont

CONFIDENTIAL

D. Force:

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Obj</u>	<u>Init/End</u>	<u>Init By</u>	<u>Air Spt</u>	<u>NGFS</u>
D1 1st Inf Div (-)	C1	021446H/021450H	En	0	0
D2 1st Inf Div (-)	C1	020935H/021000H	En	0	0
D3 1st Inf Div (-)	C1	021050H/021100H	En	0	0

K. Losses/Damage:

K1 Enemy:

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Size/ID</u>	<u>KIA/VCC</u>	<u>Wpns</u>	<u>Ammo</u>
D1	Unk/Unk	0/0	0	0
D2	12/Unk	0/0	0	0
D3	Unk/Unk	0/0	0	0

K2 Enemy:

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Size/ID</u>	<u>Structures Dest/Dam</u>	<u>Material Dest/Dam/Cptrd</u>
D1	Unk/Unk	0/0	0/0/0
D2	12/Unk	0/0	0/0/0
D3	Unk/Unk	0/0	0/0/0

K3 Friendly:

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Size/ID</u>	<u>KIA/WIA/Cptrd/MIA</u>	<u>Wpns</u>	<u>Ammo</u>
D1	Unk/Unk	0/0/0/0	0	0
D2	12/Unk	0/2/0/0	0	0
D3	Unk/Unk	0/0/0/0	0	0

K4 Friendly

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Size/ID</u>	<u>Structure Dest/Dam</u>	<u>Material Dest/Dam</u>	<u>Loc</u>
D1	Unk/Unk	0/0	0/0	0
D2	12/Unk	0/0	0/0	0
D3	Unk/Unk	0/0	0/0	0

K5 Total friendly initiated small unit action w/o contact: 22

K5A Friendly initiated small unit contacts: 0

Part II FWGF:

C. Objectives:

CONFIDENTIAL

	<u>Province</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Init/Term</u>
C1	PHUOC TUY	YS455915	S&D	ABILENE	300630H Mar/Cont

D. Force:

	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Obj</u>	<u>Init/Term</u>	<u>Init By</u>	<u>Air Spt</u>	<u>NGFS</u>
D1	1/RAR	C1	021000H/021015H	En	0	0
D2	1/RAR	C1	021000H/021005H	Frd	0	0
D3	1/RAR	C1	021000H/021005H	En	0	0
D4	1/RAR	C1	021030H/021100H	En	0	0
D5	1/RAR	C1	021228H/021245H	Frd	0	0
D6	1/RAR	C1	021350H/021600H	Frd	0	0
D7	1/RAR	C1	021500H/021510H	Frd	0	0
D8	1/RAR	C1	021750H/021800H	Frd	0	0

K. Losses/Damage:

K1 Enemy:

	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Size/ID</u>	<u>KIA/VCC</u>	<u>Wpns</u>	<u>Ammo</u>
D1	Unk/Unk		2 (BC)/0	2 SA	0
D2	3/Unk		0/1	0	0
D3	Unk/Unk		0/0	0	0
D4	Plat/Unk		2 (BC) / 1 (Poss) / 0	0	0
D5	Unk/Unk		0/28	0	0
D6	Unk/Unk		0/3	0	0
D7	Unk/Unk		2 (BC)/0	0	0
D8	Unk/Unk		0/5	0	0

K2 Enemy:

	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Size/ID</u>	<u>Structures Dest/Dam</u>	<u>Material Dest/Dam/Cptrd</u>
D1	Sqd/Unk		0/0	0/0/0
D2	3/Unk		0/0	0/0/0
D3	Unk/Unk		0/0	0/0/0
D4	Plat/Unk		0/0	0/0/0

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Size/ID</u>	<u>Structures Dest/Dam</u>	<u>Material Dest/Dam/Cptrd</u>
D5	Unk/Unk	0/0	0/0/0
D6	Unk/Unk	0/0	0/0/0
D7	Unk/Unk	0/0	0/0/0
D8	Unk/Unk	0/0	0/0/0

K3 Friendly:

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Size/ID</u>	<u>KIA/WIA/Cptrd/MIA</u>	<u>Wpns</u>	<u>Ammo</u>
D1	Sqd/Unk	0/0/0/0	0	0
D2	3/Unk	0/0/0/0	0	0
D3	Unk/Unk	0/1/0/0	0	0
D4	Plat/Unk	0/0/0/0	0	0
D5	Unk/Unk	0/0/0/0	0	0
D6	Unk/Unk	0/0/0/0	0	0
D7	Unk/Unk	0/0/0/0	0	0
D8	Unk/Unk	0/0/0/0	0	0

K4 Friendly:

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Size/ID</u>	<u>Structures Dest/Dam</u>	<u>Material Dest/Dam</u>	<u>Loc</u>
D1	Sqd/Unk	0/0	0/0	0
D2	3/Unk	0/0	0/0	0
D3	Unk/Unk	0/0	0/0	0
D4	Plat/Unk	0/0	0/0	0
D5	Unk/Unk	0/0	0/0	0
D6	Unk/Unk	0/0	0/0	0
D7	Unk/Unk	0/0	0/0	0
D8	Unk/Unk	0/0	0/0	0

DEPUY
Maj Gen

Distribution: Special
Plus 36-G3

OFFICIAL:

Alexander Maj.
7109 FLEESON
G3

RAR

CONFIDENTIAL

PRIORITY

X DA

CG 1ST INF DIV DI AN RVN

- 1ST DIV (REAR)
- 1ST BDE - PHUOC VINH
- 2ND BDE (FWD)
- 3RD BDE (FWD)
- DIV ARTY (FWD)
- 1ST AVN BN (PHU LOI)
- SUPPORT COMMAND (REAR)

CONFIDENTIAL AVID-I _____

1. ENEMY ACTIVITY: 2 APRIL

0735 - 3RD BDE: 1^{US} KIA AND 1^{US} WIA FROM A BOOBY TRAP VIC YS 286715.

0845 - 1/RAR HAS 3 WIA, ONE FROM A MINE. EXACT LOC UNK.

1420 - RAR ELEMENTS ENGAGED THE TAIL END OF WHAT WAS PROBABLY A VC COMPANY MOVING FROM THE BINH BA AREA (YS 444742) IN A SE DIRECTION. THERE WERE 2 VC KIA, 2 VC WIA (POSS), AND TWO WEAPONS CAPTURED.

1510 - 1/RAR DISCOVERED 400 TO 500 BAGS OF RICE (100 LB BAGS), 60 TINS OF PEANUT OIL, 12 TINS OF HONEY, 20 TINS OF ASSORTED GOODS VIC YS 404728.

1705 - AAR: AN H-13 AT 1000 FEET AND CLIMBING RECEIVED 4-5 RDS OF SA FIRE VIC YS 425750, NO DAMAGE.

1715 - C/RAR CONTACTED 5 VC AT YS 426763. 1 VCC WIA AND 4 VCC. THIS AREA IS HEAVILY MINED.

~~2030 - 1/1/2 LOCATED 7 HUSS AND ONE DISCREPANCY VIC YS 382768 AT 1340H. ALL SUSPECTED TO HAVE BEEN REG WFLY VACUATED~~

7111 03 1630Z

APRIL 1966

AVID-I

WILLIAM M MAHN, JR, MAJOR, OPNS O

DANGER 202 1

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

CG 1ST INF DIV DI AN RVN

~~ALL DESTROYED~~

2010 - RAR: B COMPANY CONTACTED 5-6 VC ~~WITH MORE BUNKERS~~
~~THEY~~ VIC YS 426738. THEY FLED ~~///~~ SOUTH AND CARRIED MORTARS.

0930 - 1/4 CAV: VC COMPANY REPORTED VIC YS 455746 AT THE
EAST END OF BINH BA PLANTATION.

0935 - 3RD BDE: A/C RECEIVED FIRE FROM YS 3978.

1005 - RAR: 1/4 CAV B TROOP MADE CONTACT WITH A VC PLT
VIC YS 461743. RESULTS: 2 VC KIA (BC), 1 VC KIA (EST).

1050 - 3RD BDE: C/1/2 MADE CONTACT WITH UNK NUMBER OF VC
VIC YS 345750.

1100 - RAR MADE CONTACT WITH VC SQUAD VIC YS 461743. TWO
WEAPONS CAPTURED, 2 VC KIA POSS. C/1/RAR MADE CONTACT WITH 3
VC VIC YS 424748. RESULTS: 2 VCS (1 WIA).

1320 - 3RD BDE: AT 1305 A/1/2 FOUND BOOBY TRAP VIC YS
382768. BOOBY TRAP DESTROYED.

2015 - 3RD BDE: 2/28 ENCOUNTERED AN ESTIMATED VC PLT VIC
YS 579697 MOVING SOUTH-WEST.

2110 - ~~///~~ DIV ARTY: PHUOC TUY PROVINCE CHIEF REPORT
ED A POSSIBLE VC BN MOVING FROM YS 440701 TO YS 436690 AT 1500H.
THEY WERE MOVING S-W TO SET UP AMBUSHES.

~~2120 - ARVN ADVISOR: ARVN POLICEMAN AT DIV ARTY SAID HE
COULD LEAD THEM TO 4 LARGE CAVES.~~

1330 - A/1/2 INF LOCATED A REGIMENTAL SUPPLY POINT AT
YS 382769. IT CONSISTED OF EIGHT HUTS, FRAME CONSTRUCTION,
BUILT OFF THE GROUND ON LATERITE BASES. FOUR WERE LIVING
QUARTERS, ONE A DISPENSARY, ONE A CLASSROOM, ONE A COOKING
SHACK, AND ONE WAS A STORAGE HUT. IN THE STORAGE HUT THERE
WERE ONE HUNDRED SETS OF BLACK PAJAMAS AND THREE HUNDRED BOLTS
OF CLOTH (ASSORTED POPLIN, WOOL, AND CHEESECLOTH). SOME
DOCUMENTS WHICH MAY BE SUPPLY RECORDS WERE FOUND. THERE WERE
TWO TRENCHES IN THE IMMEDIATE VICINITY OF THE HUTS. ONE
CONTAINED ONE HUNDRED 50 GAL DRUMS OF KEROSENE, THE OTHER MANY

AVID-I

2

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

CG 1ST INF DIV DI AN RVN

NEW POTS, PANS, AND OTHER ITEMS OF COOKING WARE. WARM RICE BOWLS, FIRMS AND A CALENDAR PAD DATED 2 APRIL INDICATED OCCUPATION ^{may} JUST PRIOR TO DISCOVERY. THE HUTS, PAJAMAS, AND CLOTH WERE DESTROYED BY BURNING. THE FIRE SET OFF SOME EXPLOSIONS WHICH RESULTED IN INJURIES TO FOUR US SOLDIERS. THE KEROSENE AND OTHER ITEMS AS WELL AS THE SUPPLY AREA WILL BE DESTROYED BY AIR ON 3 APRIL. TRAILS AROUND THE AREA SHOWED SIGNS OF HEAVY TRAVEL. AS A/1/2 INF WAS LEAVING THE AREA THEY RECEIVED ONE GRENADE WHICH FAILED TO DETONATE AND FIVE ROUNDS SA FROM AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC VIC YS 382770. THE SEARCH FOR THE ENEMY IN THE AREA WAS MADE WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS, EXCEPT FOR FRESH BLOOD VIC YS 382770.

0925 - 1/2 INF ENCOUNTERED AN ESTIMATED ENEMY SQUAD YS 359 782. AIR AND ARTY WERE EMPLOYED ALONG WITH SA AND AW BY 1/2 INF. THE ENEMY ATTEMPTED TO BREAK CONTACT AND WAS PURSUED IN A NORTHEASTERLY DIRECTION BUT COULD NOT BE LOCATED. FRESH BLOOD WAS FOUND AT YS 361782.

0945 - C/1/2 RECEIVED 4-5 RDS SA FROM TWO SHIPERS. THEY CHASED THE SHIPERS BUT LOST THEM VIC YS 356756.

1300 - 1/2 RECEIVED SA FIRE AT HELICOPTERS LEAVING ~~THE~~ LANDING ZONE YS 394756.

2. ORDER OF BATTLE INFORMATION.

A. SOURCE, NATIONAL POLICE SYMPATHIZER. AT 281900 ESTIMATED TWO VC COMPANIES ARMED WITH INDIVIDUAL WEAPONS, WEARING MIXED FATIGUE UNIFORMS, SIGHTED AT VIC YS 488597 AND VIC YS 488592. PHUOC THO VILLAGE, DAT DO DIST. OE COMMENT: THESE UNITS ARE PROBABLY LF GUERRILLA. THIS HQ CARRIES NO SPECIFIC UNIT IN THIS AREA (P/6).

B. SOURCE, PHUOC TUY SECTOR S2 AGENT, SAID THAT AT 282000 MAR, A GROUP OF 20 VC KEY CADRES WERE ESCORTED BY 2 COMPANIES MOVING TO LANG PHUOC VILLAGE (YS 445645). AMONG THEM WAS HONG, KNOWN AS FORMER POLITICAL OFFICER OF REGT 397 CADRE THAT

AVID-I

3

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

CG 1ST INF DIV DI AN RV N

RETURNED TO SOUTH VIETNAM FROM THE NORTH. HONG IS NOW IN CHARGE OF A RADIO STATION. OB COMMENT: THIS VILLAGE IS VC CONTROLLED; HOWEVER THIS IS THE FIRST REPORT OF A VC REGT #397. (EVAL F/6).

C. 311130 MAR: IT WAS REPORTED THAT VC PREVENTED PEOPLE FROM GOING AND COMING TO THE HAMLET VIC YS 293555. OB COMMENT: NEWLY RECORDED INFO MAY INDICATE THE BUILDING OF VC DEFENSIVE POSITIONS AND POSSIBLY THE VC ARE DOING SOME TRAINING (F/6).

D. NEGATIVE REPORT: NO MINES WERE LOCATED AT YS 480777 TO YS 467775.

E. A NATIONAL POLICE SOURCE SAID ON THE 29TH OF MAR ALL LIBERATION GROUPS CONVENED IN BINH BA TO PREPARE FOR DEMONSTRATIONS AT BA RIA. OB COMMENT: VARIOUS REPORTS OF VC ACTIVITY IN THE BINH BA AREA HAVE BEEN REPORTED SINCE 25 MAR. THIS MAY HAVE BEEN A PLANNING COMMITTEE FOR FUTURE OPERATIONS (F/6).

F. FROM DET B-31, 5TH SFGA, 1ST SF INTSUM 27-28 MAR. ONE VC CO (+) MOVED FROM SE OF TRUNG HINH HAMLET (YS 515975) AND SHELTERED IN JUNGLE NEAR AN HON NCHIA (YS 470990). UNIT IS WELL ARMED. OB COMMENT: NEWLY RECORDED INFO (F/6). 1 U/I VC BN MOVED FROM YT 605482 TO YT 685510. THEY FORBODE WOODCUTTERS TO ENTER JUNGLE IN THIS AREA. OB COMMENT: SPORADIC REPORTS FOR THE PAST THREE MONTHS HAVE INDICATED VC BN SIZE UNITS IN THIS AREA. THERE HAS NOT BEEN AN ASSOCIATION HOWEVER WITH ANY PARTICULAR UNIT (F/6).

G. MSS AGENT REPORT 24 MAR: THERE IS A VC SECRET STRONG HOLD SE OF TAM BANG VILLAGE (YT 477250). STRONGHOLD DEFENDED BY COMBO TR NCHES AND DEEP TUNNELS. ALSO IN THE AREA ARE A TRAINING SITE, DISPENSARY, SUPPLY DEPOT AND LARGE JAIL. OB COMMENT: NEWLY RECORDED INFO (F/6).

H. OSA, 23 MAR: 1 VC /~~1~~ SF PLATOON DEPLOYED AT BAO CHAUNH (YT 538118).

I. OSA, 24 MAR: APPROX 1 VC REGIONAL REGULAR CG. MOVED TO BAO BANG (YT 536047).

AVID-I

4

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

CG 1ST INF DIV DI AN RVN

J. USSF INTSUM: 1 BN OF DONG HAI REGT MOVED TO VIC YT 2350 ON 9 MAR. CB COMMENT: THE 94TH REGT IS PRESENTLY UNLOCATED THIS INFORMATION WILL BE CHECKED FURTHER (F/6).

K. FROM 10TH DIV INTSUM 28 MAR BINH / TUY - ON 28 MAR DONG HAI REGT MOVED FROM PHUOC TUY PROVINCE TO AN AREA IN NORTHERN BINH TUY TO RECEIVE INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE OPERATION BY THE REGT IN BINH TUY PROVINCE. CB COMMENT: THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THE 94TH REGT HAS BEEN REPORTED IN BINH TUY PROVINCE (F/6).

L. FROM DU DAT DISTRICT CHIEF - TWO REINFORCED COMPANIES CAME THROUGH THE BINH BA PLANTATION ON THE EVENING OF 31 MAR HEADING SE.

M. FROM II PFV: ARVN J2 LNO AT MACV INDICATED THAT THE VC WILL ATTEMPT TO INFILTRATE PHUOC TUY FROM THE RUNG SAT ACROSS HWY 15 (F/6).

N. FROM SA TO PHUOC TUY PROVINCE CHIEF: POSSIBLE AMBUSH AND SHIPERS FROM YS 433680 AND 425647 (F/3).

3. VR REPORTS.

A. THE FOLLOWING IS THE RESULTS OF A VR BY THE 73RD ASTA COMPANY.

(1) YS 630652-644910 (ALONG TRAIL) VERY LITTLE TRAFFIC NO MAJOR OBSTACLES NOTED AND NO SIGNS OF BASE CAMPS OFF THE ROAD.

(2) YS 630652-703793 (ALONG TRAIL) THE ROAD IS CUT IN MANY PLACES ALONG SOUTHERN PORTION. NORTHERN PORTION IS STILL USABLE. FROM YS 630652 TO YS 500610 THE ROAD IS BADLY CUT. ALL BRIDGES BETWEEN THE LAST TWO COORDINATES ARE OUT.

(3) YS 510610 THERE WERE NOTED MANY OXCARTS HAULING AND DUMPING GRAVEL.

(4) YS 623650 TO THE COAST THE ROAD IS IN POOR CONDITION. IT COULD POSSIBLY BE USED BY VC TO TRANSPORT SUPPLIES FROM THE COAST.

(5) YS 570818 TO YS 634935 (ALONG RIVER) THE WATER IS

AVID-I

5 6

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

CG 1ST INF DIV DI AN RVN

LOW, RAPIDS IN SOUTHERN AREA, AND NORTHERN PORTION IS DEEPER AND COULD BE TRAVELED BY CANOE OR DOGBOATS. MANY FOOT BRIDGES AND TRAILS APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN USED. THERE WERE NO MILITARY POSITIONS OF ANY KIND NOTED.

(6) YS 702698 (ALONG RIVER) RIVER IS VERY LOW, ALMOST DRY. POSSIBLE VC CEMETARY WAS SEEN VIC YS 545755. IT CONTAINED APPROXIMATELY 20 OLD GRAVES.

(7) YS 5275-5775-5271-5771 MANY TRAILS IN THE AREA BUT DID NOT LOOK AS THOUGH THEY WERE RECENTLY USED.

GP3

FROM G2 III CTZ PASSED BY G2 II FFV ON 2 APRIL.

MEDICAL INSTALLATIONS LOCATED YS 770875 AND YS 580845.

STORAGE AREAS YS 802772 AND YS 6074

Training CENTERS YS 6787 AND YS 745915.

PROPAGANDA, EDUCATION, CULTURE YS 735855.

PRISONER CAMP YS 595835.

XUAN LOC DISTRICT COMMITTEE HEADQUARTERS YS 537967.

NUMEROUS TRAILS LEADING FROM THE SEASIDE INLAND FROM YS 8671-YZ 9475.

AVID-I

6 6

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

1/RAR

PRIORITY
ROUTINE

X

DA

CG 1ST INF DIV

1ST DIV (REAR)
1ST BDE - PHUOC VINH
2ND BDE (FWD)
3RD BDE (FWD)
DIV ARTY (FWD)
1ST AVN BN (PHU LOI)

CONFIDENTIAL AVID-I

ENEMY ACTIVITY: 3 APRIL

1. 0856 - 2ND BDE: AT 0855 AERIAL FIRE TEAMS RECEIVED AN
FIRE VIC YS 6064.
2. 0900 - AT 0842 C/1/18 CONTACTED UNK NUMBER OF VC VIC YS
554745. 1 VC KIA (BC), ONE WEAPON CAPTURED.
3. 1000 - 1/RAR DETAINED A VCS WHO STATED THAT HE WAS SHOT
IN THE BACK BY VC. HE SAID THAT THERE WERE 30 VC IN THE VILLAGE
VIC YS 455948 AND BINH DA PLANTATION VIC YS 450740.
4. 1046 - 8/6 ARTY TRUCK HIT BY SNIPER FIRE VIC YS 462822.
2 US KIA.
5. 1345 - AIRCRAFT RECEIVED GROUND FIRE VIC YS 5271.
6. 1415 - 2ND BDE: AT 1232H 2/28 LOCATED BUNKER AND TUNNELS
VIC YS 504700.
7. 1440 - 2ND BDE:
(A) 1233H FIRE TEAM RECEIVED HEAVY VOLUME OF SA FIRE VIC
YS 524715.

03 1400Z
APRIL 1966

AVID-I

WILLIAM M MANN, JR, MAJOR, OPNS O

DANGER 202 1

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

CG 1ST INF DIV

(B) 2/18 AT YS 548741 FOUND VC BASE CAMP ESTIMATED SQUAD SIZE

(C) 2/28 FOUND 1 FOOT BRIDGE YS 574690, ONE TON RICE AND BUNKERS LOCATED HERE. AT YS 589697 THEY LOCATED 900 LBS OF RICE. AT YS 583696 LOCATED VC BASE CAMP. AT YS 587708 LOCATED 1 1/4 TON OF RICE. IT LOOKED LIKE A LARGE FORCE HAD OCCUPIED THE AREA. AT YS 580689 LOCATED 2 TUNNELS AND 200 LBS OF RICE. 3 VC WERE SPOTTED VIC YS 565705.

8. 1500 - RAR SPOTTED 4 VC VIC YS 427714. VC WERE ~~//////~~ CARRYING BAGS AND FLED SOUTH WEST.

9. 1610 - 1/RAR FOUND 300-400 BAGS OF RICE (120 LBS EACH) VIC YS 405730. RICE WAS BOOBY TRAPPED.

10. 1815 - 2ND BDR:

(A) 1750 - B/1/18 LOCATED A WAY-STATION CONTAINING 5 HUTS/ AND A SMALL AMOUNT OF MEDICAL SUPPLIES, 2 LBS OF RICE, 200 CANS OF MILK AND SMALL AMOUNT OF CLOTHING VIC YS 550742.

(B) 1755 - 2/28 RESUPPLY SHIP RECEIVED AW FIRE VIC YS 573696.

2 OB REPORTS: 10TH ARVN DIV G2

(A) RALLIER REPORTED THE 94TH REGT WENT UNDER CONTROL OF THE 6TH VC REGION FOR 6 MONTHS. OB COMMENT: THIS IS THE FIRST REPORT CONCERNING THIS. THE REGT POSSIBLY HAS BEEN OPERATING IN THE 6TH VC REGION FOR PAST FEW WEEKS.

(B) AT YS 4676 THERE ARE 100 SICK MEN FROM THE 94TH REGT REPORTEDLY RECUPERATING.

(C) C-1 COMPANY OF D445 BN AND C20 LP COMPANY GENERALLY WORK TOGETHER ALONG HWY 2 FROM BA RIA TO BINH BA. REMAINDER OF D445 BN IS LOCATED NEAR THE SONG HAI RIVER VIC YS 5864. 1,800 REGT IS ALSO ALONG THE RIVER VIC YS 6080. OB COMMENT: THIS IS THE FIRST REPORT OF C20 COMPANY WORKING WITH D445 BN. PREVIOUS LOCATIONS HAVE PLACED D445 BN IN SOUTHERN PHUOC TUY. HOWEVER, D445 BN HAS IN THE PAST OPERATED IN THE ABOVE LOCATION. 1,800 REGT HAS NOT BEEN REPORTED BY ANY OTHER SOURCE THAN THE PHUOC

AVID-I

2

3

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

CG 1ST INF DIV

TUY 82 ARVN AND THE 10TH DIV G2. BOTH HAVE LOCATED THIS UNIT
IN THE SAME LOC AT THE SAME DATE, BUT THEY ARE PROBABLY RECEIV
ING THE INFO FROM ONE AND THE SAME SOURCE.

(D) G-5 COMPANY MOVES SUPPLIES NEAR THE MAY TAO SECRET
ZONE.

GP3

AVID-I

3 3 CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

1/RAR

PRIORITY

CG 1ST IBF DIV DI AN RVN

1ST DIV (REAR)
1ST BDE - PHUOC VINH
2ND BDE (FWD)
3RD BDE (FWD)
DIV ARTY (FWD)
1ST AVN BN (PHU LOI)
SUPPORT COMMAND (REAR)
CONFIDENTIAL AVID-I _____

1. THE LATEST INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION IS AS FOLLOWS:

A. THE SONG RAI RIVER (YS 5857 TO YT 6500)

(1) THERE IS A GOOD FORD AT YS 598640. OXCARTS USE THIS FORD. BANKS ARE LOW AND APC'S SHOULD HAVE NO TROUBLE FORDING. NORTH OF THE FORD THE BANKS RISE SHARPLY, LARGE ROCKS APPEAR IN THE STREAM, AND IT IS NOT FORDABLE BY VEHICLES.

(2) FROM YS 5872 TO YS 5879 THERE ARE RAPIDS AND LARGE ROCKS.

(3) THERE ARE GOOD FIELDS OF FIRE (300-400 METERS) ON BOTH SIDES OF THE RIVER FROM YS 585796 TO YS 575817.

(4) THERE IS AN UNDERWATER FORD AT YS 615895.

(5) BRIDGE IS OUT VIC YS 583851.

(6) A BURNED OUT TOWN AND RUBBER PLANTATION VIC YS 5972.

02 ~~1117~~ 1630Z
APRIL 1966

AVID-I

WILLIAM M MANN, JR, MAJOR, OPNS O

DANGER 202

1

CG 1ST INF DIV DI AN RVN

B. LANDING ZONES ARE LOCATED AT:

- (1) YS 5887
- (2) YS 5686
- (3) YS 615880
- (4) YS 6490 (LZ HAS NUMEROUS FORTIFIED FOXHOLES. THE

ROAD SOUTH FROM HERE IS GOOD BUT HAS SMALL BRIDGES OUT DOWN TO YS 6265.)

C. THERE IS A VC FORTIFIED AREA VIC YS 675815 AND YS675798.

D. RECENT SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES.

(1) VC BASE CAMPS WERE FOUND AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS: YS 341858, YS 340857, YS 333864, YS 284924. A TUNNEL COMPLEX IS LOCATED VIC YS 369866. A WELL USED NORTH-SOUTH TRAIL VIC YS 348781.

E. REPORTED ENEMY MOVEMENTS.

(1) D25 BN MOVED FROM YS 476555 TO YS 505544. STRENGTH 250, WEAPONS - TWO 60MM MORTARS, TWO LMG'S; UNIFORM - GREEN, YELLOW, NETTED HELMETS, RUBBER SANDLES, CANVAS SHOES. EACH INDIVIDUAL CARRIED A FRIED ROLL OF STEAMED RICE. P/6.

(2) U/I COMPANY MOVED FROM YS 550593 TO YS 485658. STRENGTH-100; WEAPONS-ONE 60MM MORTAR, 4 AR'S. THIS COMPANY HAS SIX FEMALES WEARING MEDICS SIGNS. ANOTHER U/I COMPANY FORCED THE PEOPLE TO BUILD COMBAT FORTIFICATIONS AT YS 504556 TO YS 500555. P/6.

(3) OB COMMENT: D25 HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AS A COMPANY. DUE TO THE CLOSE PROXIMITY OF THE TWO REPORTS ((1) AND (2) ABOVE) THESE COULD BE ELEMENTS OF ONE UNIT, POSSIBLE 860 BN.

PRIORITY

CG 1ST INF DIV DI AN RVN

3RD BDE FWD

2ND BDE FWD

DIV ARTY FWD

1ST DIV REAR (DI AN)

CONFIDENTIAL AVID-I _____

1. THE LATEST INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION AVAILABLE IS AS FOLLOWS:

A. FROM LONG RANGE RECON PATROLS (31 MARCH 66)

(1) A BASE CAMP FOR 150-200 PERSONNEL VIC YF 556926. TWELVE VC WERE IN THE CAMP. THE VC WORE GREEN UNIFORMS WITH RED STARS ON THEIR CAPS.

(2) A VC HOSPITAL VIC YS 541919.

(3) A BASE CAMP OCCUPIED BY AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC VIC YS 585955.

B. FROM THE PHUOC TUY PROVINCE CHIEF.

(1) USAF OLF RECEIVED GROUND FIRE VIC YS 459769 AT 291720H MARCH 66.

(2) ON 28 MARCH 66 A SYMPATHIZER STATED THE VC OF BINH BA (PROBABLY BINH BA PLANTATION-YS 4475) WILL MINE THE ROAD FROM YS 461777 TO YS 470773 TO CUT OFF THE VILLAGE VIC YS 4978.

(3) ON 29 MARCH 66 A USAF OBSERVER REPORTED FOXHOLES AND BUNKERS RECENTLY DUG VIC YS 433712.

(4) ON 27 MARCH 66 THE NATIONAL POLICE REPORTED A LARGE NUMBER OF VC VIC YS 4573 TO YS 4470. IT WAS DISCLOSED THAT THE VC WOULD ATTACK US AND AUSTRALIAN TROOPS IN THIS AREA IN THE NEAR FUTURE.?

C. REPORTED ENEMY MOVEMENTS.

(1) C-20 COMPANY IS LOCATED IN THE VIC BINH BA PLANTATION (YS 4375). F/3. STRENGTH - 99 MEN; WEAPONS - 5 AR'S, 14 SMG, ONE 60MM MORTAR AND AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF SA'S; C.O. - MUAI HUM (AKA DANG CONG QUAN.) (OB COMMENT: C-20 COMPANY IS HELD AS A PROBABLE UNIT AND ITS BASE CAMP WAS REPORTED VIC YS 545840 BY A RALLIER. IT IS USUALLY ACCOMPANIED BY C-25 COMPANY ON OPERATIONS.)

(2) CHAU THANH PLATOON LOCATED VIC YS 5475. F/3. (OB COMMENT: THIS UNIT IS CARRIED AS THE 26TH PLATOON WITH A STRENGTH OF 30 MEN. IT GENERALLY OPERATES VIC YS 3970.)

AVID-I

WILLIAM M MANN, JR, MAJOR, OPNS O

DANGER 202

MARCH 1966

580

VC W.
11/2
275

(3) C-47 PLATOON LOCATED VIC YS 5786. F/6. (OB COMMENT: THIS MAY BE THE CAO LU PLATOON WITH A STRENGTH OF 30 MEN.)

(4) C-445 BN IS LOCATED VIC YS 5560 WITH A STRENGTH OF 500 MEN. F/6. (OB COMMENT: C-445 IS A CODE NAME FOR THE 860 BN (THE PHUOC TUY PROVINCIAL BN) WITH A STRENGTH OF 500 MEN. THIS UNIT WAS REPORTED IN THIS SAME AREA ON 4 AND 29 MARCH 66).

(5) 1,800 REGIMENT LOCATED VIC YS 5979 ALONG THE SONG RAI STREAM. ALSO NUMEROUS RICE CACHES ARE ON BOTH SIDES OF THE RIVER. F/6. (OB COMMENT: THIS UNIT HAS ONLY BEEN REPORTED ONCE PREVIOUSLY AND IS NOT HELD AS CONFIRMED OR PROBABLE. IT WAS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED VIC YS 595864.)

(6) 280 COMPANY LOCATED VIC YS 535776. F/6. (OB COMMENT: THIS IS THE FIRST REPORT ON THIS UNIT.)

D. RECENT SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES.

(1) AIRCRAFT RECEIVED GROUND FIRE AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS: YS 3986, YS 3973, YS 355730, YS 315745 (HEAVY VOLUME OF AW FIRE,) AND YS 248741.

(2) BASE CAMP WITH 25 PERMANENT BUILDINGS LOCATED VIC YS 358854. CAMP IS 300X350 METERS AND WILL ACCOMODATE 700-800 PERSONNEL.

(3) APC HIT A MINE VIC YS 447977.

(4) RALLIER REPORTED A RICE CACHE VIC YS 585865.

Entena

4. 860
5. DSAF
6. SPAN

AVID-I



29

95

93

92

91

90

89

YT

87

30



AWM 195
7/1/69
Map No. 722

04
97

JANE

ORJ
BILL

CHEN

LEMON

88
YT
04

YT 88
15

88
18

150

PAR

CG

Albany
7/1/69
Map No. 723

CONFIDENTIAL

(2)

Cy ___ of Cys
Hqs 1st Inf Div
APO US Forces 96345
201200 MAR 66
WK98

ABKENC

ANNEX A (intelligence) to OPERATIONS ORDER 7-66 (Operation ~~ABKENC~~) (U)

REFERENCE: IMP SERIES L-701, 1:50,000, SHEETS 6443 II, 6443 III, 6442 II, 6442 III, 6442 IV.

1. SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION

A. Appendix 1 (Intelligence Estimate)

2. ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF INFORMATION

A. Essential Elements of Information.

(1) Will the enemy attack? If so, when, where, in what strength, with what weapons? What are the designations of the attacking units and who will they engage?

(2) Will the enemy reinforce or defend within the area of operations? If so where, when, in what strength, with what weapons, by what routes, and what are the designations of the units?

B. Other intelligence requirements.

(1) Reference letter, dated 8 November 1965, Headquarters 1st Infantry Division, Subject: Collection Requirements - VC Tunnels.

(2) Reference letter, dated 12 November 1965, Headquarters 1st Infantry Division, Subject: Collection Requirements - VC Command Detonated Mines.

(3) Reference unclassified message 00334, dated 21 January 1966, G-2 1st Infantry Division, Subject: Reporting Incidents of Fire Against Aircraft.

(4) What are the locations, strength, weapons and designations of enemy units within our area of interest?

(5) Will the VC withdraw? If so, by what routes, in what strength, when, where to, with what weapons, by what means and what are the designations of the units?

(6) What are the locations and extent of the VC strong points, bunkers, tunnels, camps, caches, mine fields, factories, training areas, and medical facilities? Specific areas of interest are the following reported installations: rice caches in houses vic YS 580860, rice depot vic YS 395724, base camp vic YS 498054, base camp vic YS 333835, and hospital vic YS 3377. What routes are used into and out of these locations?

Page 1 of 3 Pages

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

(7) Are there any indications of enemy use of Infra-red, electronic intercept devices, chemical agents, sentry dogs, 20mm or 40mm ammo, 120mm mortar, 75mm howitzers, or any unusual or unrecognized mines, artillery or mortar ammo?

(8) Are there any indications of the lack of ordinary civilian activity?

(9) Are there graves vicinity YS 580780 and YS 580723? If so, what is the number of the graves, and is there an indication of burial within the last 3-4 months?

(10) Is there a large underground complex vicinity YS 700902? Give details on content and extent of the complex. Report all information relative to this area.

(11) Are there quad 50 Cal. machine guns in the area? If so, how many, are they towed or truck mounted, what is their location and disposition, what units are using them, and is their intended role air or ground support? What is the origin of the weapons and what mode of transportation was used to bring them into the area?

3. MEASURES FOR HANDLING PERSONNEL, DOCUMENTS AND MATERIAL.

Reference Annex B (Intelligence) to 1st Infantry Division Field S.O.P

4. DOCUMENTS AND/OR EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

A. Maps: S.O.P. distribution of maps.

(1) SERIES L-701; 1:50,000; Sheets: 6443 II, 6443 III, 6442 I, 6442 II, 6442 III, 6442 IV.

(2) SERIES L-509; 1:250,000; Sheets: NC 46-7, NC 48-8.

(3) Letter, Headquarters 1st Infantry Division, WID-I, Subject: Hanlets Not Shown on Tactical Maps, dated 15 October 1966.

B. Photos

(1) IIP SUPPLEMENT COVERAGE, 1:20,000 or smaller is on hand. It will be assembled into a mosaic and distributed.

(2) Request for detailed studies of specific areas to G-2 Air.

(3) Immediate photo reconnaissance requests to G-2 Air. Requests will include in-flight report call sign and frequency. Only information will be provided to the requestor. Annotated photos will be provided only if specifically requested and fully justified.

(4) Red Haze (RH and Side Looking Airborne Radar (SLAR) imagery will not be furnished requestors. Readout will be accomplished by imagery interpreters and information furnished to the requestor. The area of operations will be covered once before and once after midnight each night. RH coverage as requested. Preplan RH must be submitted one day in advance of time on target.

Page 2 of 3 Pages

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

5. COMPARATIVE INTELLIGENCE

Reference Annex B (Intelligence) to 1st Infantry Division Field S.O.P.

ACKNOWLEDGE:

DEPUY
Brig Gen

APPENDICES:

- Appendix 1 - Intelligence Estimate
- TAB A - Light Data
- TAB B - Order of Battle
- TAB C - Recent & Present Significant Activities

DISTRIBUTION: Same as Basic Plan

OFFICIAL:

Alann Maj
SIMPSON
G-2

Page 3 of 3 Pages

CONFIDENTIAL

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Copy _____ of _____ Copies
Hqs 1st Inf Div (REINF)
APO U.S. Forces 96345

APPENDIX 1 (Intelligence Estimate) to ANNEX A (Intelligence) to
Operation Order 7-66 (U).

1. MISSION: 1st Infantry Division (REINF) conducts Search and Destroy Operations in PHUOC TUY Province to locate and destroy elements of the 94th and 5th VC Regiments and their base camps during the period 26 March - 5 April 1966.

2. THE AREA OF OPERATIONS

A. WEATHER:

(1) March and April are the warmest months of the year with a mean maximum temperatures varying from 85° F. along the coast and 71° F near XUAN LOC. The mean relative humidity varies from 80% along the coast to 70% at XUAN LOC. The daily maximum occurs at sunrise and the daily minimum in mid afternoon. In March the average rain fall is less than one inch with the maximum recorded as 5.5 inches. Rain occurs almost exclusively in the form of showers and thundershowers during the mid or late afternoon on an average of 1 to 2 days in March. April heralds the onset of the southwest monsoon. During recent years the rain has started as early as 11 April or as late as 20 April. The mean starting date is 15 April. The mean monthly average rainfall is 2 to 4 inches inland and less than 2 inches along the coast. Again the rain comes in the form of mid or late afternoon showers or thundershowers. Mean number of days with precipitation varies from 1 to 3 days near the coast to 3 to 6 days near XUAN LOC. Surface winds pose no problem during March or April however two items are worthy of note. With a thunderstorm, surface winds may gust to 30 knots and the land - sea breeze effect near the coast may gust to 20 knots, with speeds of 5 to 6 knots. After the first half hour speed increases to 12 - 15 knots and gusting to 18-20 knots by 1400-1500 hours. The sea breeze is usually from 90°. The land breeze is less conspicuous, only occasionally reaching 20 knot gusts, and is very irregular in direction. The land breeze begins 2 hours after sunset and reaches its peak at 2300 to 2330 hours. Near XUAN LOC surface visibility goes below one mile only 3 to 4 days per month and along the coast it is hardly ever restricted to less than one mile. Fog, when it occurs, will form about 0500 and dissipate by 0800 - 0900 hours. During intense showers visibility can be restricted to as low as 1/2 mile.

Light Data (Tab A)

Pg. 1 of 6 Pages

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

CONFIDENTIAL

(2) Effect on enemy courses of action: The weather will have no significant effect on enemy courses of action.

(3) Effect on our courses of action: The weather will restrict friendly courses of action only in its effects on aircraft. The employment of TAC air will be restricted by visibilities of less than 2 miles. During periods of 12 to 15 knot winds gusting to 20 knots, helicopters should have an LZ parallel to the direction of the wind and approach from down-wind. The employment of helicopters will be restricted only by visibility of less than one mile.

B. TERRAIN:

(1) Two hill masses dominate the southwest portion of Phuoc Tuy Province. These hills, rising rather abruptly, are NUI ONG CAU (YS 3666), with an elevation of 504 meters, and NUI THI VAI (YS 2971), with an elevation of 467 meters. Both these hills dominate route 15 in this area. NUI HAY TAO (YS 7482) with an elevation of 715 meters is located on the northeast province border. The remainder of the terrain in the province is flat to gentle rolling with most elevation under 150 meters. The jungle areas are generally dense with trees up to 100 feet and secondary growth up to 20 feet providing good concealment and some cover in most areas. Along inter-provincial Route 2 are a large number of plantations with trees 12 to 20 feet tall and 10 to 15 feet apart providing good concealment from air observation. The ground under the trees is generally clear of brush and undergrowth. The main waterways are the SONG CAI MIP and the SONG THI VAI which form the western provincial border and are navigable up to Vic YS 1683. Other significant waterways are the SONG BA DAP, which flows from Vic YS 4857 to IS 5858, and the SONG DINH which flows from northeast to southwest, crossing route 15 VicYS 375610. The SONG BA DAP and the SONG DINH are fordable in the dry season. The population of PHUOC TUY Province is 138,000 with approximately 38,000 in the VUNG TAU area (YS 2744). Of the total population, 87,000 live in GVN controlled area, 22,000 live in areas undergoing pacification, 12,000 in areas considered relatively free of V.C. and 17,000 are living in V.C. controlled areas. Major populated areas are XUYEN NOC (YS 3861), LONG DIEN (YS 4359), and BINH GIA (YS 4978). A large number of the people live along Route 15. With the exception of very few Montagnards and Chinese the population is ethnic Vietnamese. A curfew is in effect in the province between 2200 and 0400 hours but is not rigidly enforced. Approximately 32% of the population is Pro-GVN, 12% Pro-V.C. and 56% are neutral. Major religions are Buddhist and Catholic with the former comprising 70% of the population and the latter 25%. The Catholics are generally Anti-Communist. V.C. Infra-structure is established down to village and hamlet level. In some areas it is clandestine and others the political cadre require armed soldiers to protect them and to insure that the people follow their regulations and policies.

Pg. 2 of 6 Pages

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

The major highways are Route 15 which extends from Bien Hoa (YT 0113) to Vung Tau (YS 2744), Route 2 which extends from BA NIA (YS 3861) to route 1 (YT 4305) and Route 23 which extends from BROM BA RIA (YS 3861) to HAM TAN (ZS 0479). Limited light industry consisting of charcoal production, rice milling and fish processing occupies 20% of the population. Agriculture and fishing are the main occupations. Rice must be imported to feed the population. The nation-wide inflation has affected PHUOC TUY with the largest price increase for rice.

(2) Effect on enemy courses of action: The Terrain favors small unit operations and enables the enemy to move undetected, to establish ambushes, and to conduct surprise attacks. The rivers and streams are used by the enemy to increase his mobility and as barricades to friendly movement. During the dry season he will usually camp near these sources of water. The canalization of friendly vehicular movement along existing roads encourages the enemy to sabotage and mine roads and bridges and to employ ambushes along LOC's. Inflation, or any chaotic economic situation resulting from military operations, affords the enemy opportunity to direct the dissatisfaction of the people against the GVN and FREE WORLD Forces. The enemy may intentionally create such chaos for this purpose. Through propaganda and terrorism the V.C. have considerable influence on the population enabling him to use the people as a source of intelligence. He has convinced or ordered them into being uncooperative with friendly troops.

(3) Effect on our courses of action: Throughout most of the province friendly vehicular movement will be restricted to existing roads and trails. Fields of fire and ground observation will be restricted in jungle areas. The majority of the area is unsuitable for airborne operations. Because of muddy banks and bottoms, the rivers and streams will create obstacles to friendly movement. Friendly forces can expect little support from the people until they are convinced that lasting security can be expected against V.C. Reprisals for lending assistance to friendly forces. Operations in the area are bound to be disruptive, at least temporarily, and may create a refugee problem. Local incidents of rice shortages are likely to occur. Civic action requirements will be high for friendly units deployed in the area. Although numbers of V.C. anti-aircraft weapons are unknown, intense SA and AV fire can be expected to be directed at aircraft flying at low levels over the BINH BA Plantation (YS 4574) area and the Vic YS 3577. In addition, low level flights can expect to receive some ground fire if flying along Route 2.

Pg 3 of 6 Pages

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

3. ENEMY SITUATION:

- A. DISPOSITIONS: TAB B (OB)
- B. COMPOSITION: TAB B (OB)
- C. STRENGTH: TAB B (OB)
- D. RECENT AND PRESENT SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES: TAB C (INCIDENTS).
- E. STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES:

X 3(B)
+
(1) STRENGTHS: The enemy has a well established intelligence system for both political and combat intelligence. Their security arrangements are stringent and effective. Individual V.C. have little difficulty moving throughout the province. The enemy has a high degree of control over the rural population. The enemy is thoroughly familiar with the area and the terrain is generally suited for hit and run type campaigns. The enemy has free use of large areas of the province within which he has bases, training areas, and supply caches.

+
(2) WEAKNESSES: The enemy is dependent on external support and gets much of his manpower, subsistence, and supplies from the people. The loss of the people's support would be decisive. V.C. Crops are vulnerable to destruction. The V.C. logistical system is dependent upon caches for sustained operations and the destruction or confiscation of their caches limits V.C. combat capabilities. The enemy is vulnerable to attack by air and artillery when concentrated and lacks adequate air defense weapons or artillery support. The enemy has a long and intricate infiltration system for war materials and may lack sufficient transport to rapidly resupply. The enemy is vulnerable to chemical agents, sustained combat, and aggressive pursuit.

3 C 4. ENEMY CAPABILITIES:

A. THE ENEMY PLAN:

(1) Attack any target in PHUOC TUY Province with up to two main force regiments supported by company size local force units.

(2) Reinforce with two main force regiments within four days.

(3) Defend his base areas with the forces listed in (1) above.

Pg. 4 of 6 Pages

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

(4) Restrict or deny, for limited periods, the use of LOC's by interdiction, sabotage, and ambush.

(5) Ambush friendly units with any portion of the units in (1) above.

(6) Conduct harassing mortar fire and sabotage attacks against friendly forces and installations.

B. ANALYSIS AND DISCUSSION:

(1) The enemy has demonstrated the capability to attack in regimental strength. The 52nd Ranger battalion was attacked by the 5th Regiment on 11 November 1965. The enemy suffered heavy casualties from air and artillery in this action and would probably suffer heavy losses from air and artillery fire in any future regimental or multi-regimental attack. Any regimental size or larger scale attack would probably be of short duration, violently executed, and at a time and place where the enemy feels he has achieved tactical surprise as well as numerical superiority.

(2) Considering the enemy's vulnerability to air strikes, artillery and our superior ground fire it is probable that he will not further concentrate his forces by committing reinforcements from outside the province, being apt to lose such a large main force.

(3) The enemy can be expected to defend his base areas with the forces he has in the immediate area, especially if avenues of withdrawal are denied. Having been in control of these areas for several years he has had opportunity to prepare positions in depth, establish supply caches, and prepare escape routes. When convinced that the position is untenable, he will attempt to exfiltrate from the area. If his position is so critical that he is apt to lose a large main force unit he would probably employ local forces to aid in extricating the main force unit.

(4) The enemy has not yet demonstrated his full capability of interfering with the friendly use of LOC's. He can severely limit the use of the principal routes by interdiction and sabotage if the LOC's are not physically controlled by friendly forces.

(5) Ambushes, harassing mortar and artillery fires, and sabotage attacks against friendly forces and installations are common enemy tactics and can be expected at any time. These tactics allow the best opportunity for inflicting losses on friendly forces with minimum losses to the enemy.

Pg. 5 of 6 Pages

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

5. CONCLUSIONS:

A. The enemy will defend base areas with the forces immediately available to him when he feels such bases are critical, especially when escape routes are denied him. He will withdraw from lesser bases when confronted with numerically superior forces.

B. He will harass our units with small arms, automatic weapons, and mortar fire. He will employ mines along our LOC and attempt to ambush unwary units.

C. He will attempt to terrorize the local population through kidnapping and assassinations. He will attempt to intimidate popular and region forces by overrunning small, lightly defended outposts.

ACKNOWLEDGE:

DEPUY
Brig Gen

DISTRIBUTION: Same as Basic Plan

OFFICIAL:

Alman May
652
SIMPSON
G-2

CONFIDENTIAL

UNCLASSIFIED

TAB A (Light Data) to Appendix 1 (Intelligence Estimate) to Annex A
(Intelligence) to OPOD 7-66 (Operation MEMPHIS) (U)

MARCH & APRIL LIGHT DATA

DATE	BMNT	SR	SS	EENT	MOONRISE	MOONSET	MOON PHASE
Mar							
1	0623	0705	1902	1945	1313	0122	
2	0623	0705	"	"	1413	0223	
3	0622	0704	"	"	1515	0324	
4	0621	0704	"	"	1620	0426	
5	0621	0704	"	"	1725	0525	
6	0620	0703	"	"	1828	0620	
7	0619	0703	"	1946	1926	0712	FULL
8	0619	0703	"	"	2023	0759	
9	0618	0702	"	"	2118	0845	
10	0617	0702	"	"	2214	0931	
11	0617	0701	"	"	2309	1017	
12	0616	0701	"	"	- -	1104	
13	0615	0700	"	1947	0004	1154	
14	0614	0700	"	"	0059	1245	LAST QTR
15	0614	0659	"	"	0154	1337	
16	0613	0659	"	"	0247	1429	
17	0613	0658	"	"	0336	1520	
18	0612	0657	"	"	0421	1610	
19	0611	0656	"	"	0504	1658	
20	0610	0656	"	1948	- -	- -	
21	0609	0655	"	"	- -	- -	
22	0609	0655	"	"	- -	- -	NEW MOON
23	0608	0654	"	"	- -	- -	
24	0608	0654	"	"	- -	- -	
25	0608	0653	"	"	0850	2132	
26	0607	0652	"	"	0932	2223	
27	0607	0651	"	"	1018	2317	
28	0606	0651	"	"	1108	- -	
29	0606	0650	"	"	1203	0014	
30	0605	0649	"	"	1303	0115	1ST QTR
31	0604	0649	"	"	1406	0214	
Apr							
1	0603	0648	1902	1948	1508	0312	
2	0602	0647	"	"	1610	0407	
3	0601	0646	"	"	1708	0459	
4	0601	0646	"	"	1805	0546	
5	0600	0645	"	"	1901	0634	FULL
6	0600	0645	"	"	1957	0718	
7	0559	0644	"	"	2053	0805	
8	0558	0643	"	"	2150	0852	
9	0558	0643	"	"	2246	0943	
10	0557	0642	"	"	2343	1034	
11	0557	0642	"	"	- -	1127	
12	0556	0641	"	"	0038	1222	
13	0555	0640	"	"	0130	1314	LAST QTR
14	0555	0640	1903	1949	0218	1405	
15	0554	0639	"	"	0302	1453	
16	0554	0639	"	"	0342	1540	
17	0554	0639	"	"	0421	1626	
18	0553	0638	"	"	0458	1709	
19	0553	0638	"	"	- -	- -	
20	0552	0637	"	"	- -	- -	
21	0552	0637	"	"	- -	- -	NEW MOON
22	0552	0637	"	"	- -	- -	
23	0551	0636	"	"	- -	- -	
24	0551	0636	1904	1950	0905	2209	
25	0550	0635	"	"	1009	2310	
26	0550	0635	"	"	1057	- -	
27	0550	0635	"	"	1158	0009	
28	0549	0634	"	"	1259	0107	1ST QTR
29	0549	0634	"	"	1400	0201	
30	0548	0633	"	"	1458	0252	

UNCLASSIFIED

Confidential

TAB C (Recent and present significant activities) to Appendix 1 (Intelligence Estimate) to Annex A (Intelligence) to OPOD 7-66 (Opn MEMPHIS) (U)

This information, compiled from files of the Order of Battle Section, is provided by category in 20,000 meter grid square sections.

HARD INSTALLATIONS
YS 00X40

060476	19 Jan	CICV	Trench w/AA position
099993	14 Jan	CICV	Possible U/G entrance
101500	14 Jan	CICV	5 Possible Foxholes
107501	14 Jan	CICV	Possible dest tunnel
109503	14 Jan	CICV	Trenches & Foxholes
118507	14 Jan	CICV	2 Possible trenches

YS 00X60

120788	2 Feb	BDA	3 Bunkers dest.
123787	2 Feb	BDA	2 Bunkers dest.
121788	2 Feb	BDA	Foxholes & Trenches
067785	3 Feb	2nd Bde	Bunkers

YS 00X80

180840	20 Nov	BHS	QM Sect.
099890	3 Dec	BHS	Ben Cam Combat Hamlet
101892	28 Jan	2nd Bde	Bn. Base Camp dest
129829	29 Jan	2nd Bde	Bn. Base Camp dest.
125817	28 Jan	2nd Bde	VC Base Camp
112872	1 Feb	1/18	Base Camp dest.
166819	31 Jan	2d Bde	Base Camp dest.
101872	2 Feb	2d Bde	VC Base Camp
098882	4 Feb	2d Bde	VC Base camp
125815	3 Feb	BDA	Bunkers dest.
071866	3 Feb	2d Bde	Bunkers
069868	3 Feb	2d Bde	Bunkers
075875	19 Feb	BHS	Trenches

YT 00X00

150140	1 Jan	2nd Bde 1/Div	D345 Base Camp
142182	12 Jan	2d Bde 1/Div	Foxholes
149179	12 Jan	2d Bde 1/Div	3 Bunkers & Foxholes
134184	12 Jan	Arty A/O	Bunker Complex
154184	12 Jan	1st Div	Bunker complex
079178	18 Jan	1st Div	300 meter trench
081178	18 Jan	1st Div	Foxholes
0616	26 Jan	173d Bde	Trench system 50 meters
035145	2 Feb	5th Div	trench network
145178	3 Feb	173d Bde	VC Refugs dist. committee
160130	15 Jan	SMIAT	Field Hospital

Confidential

Confidential

HARD INSTALLATIONS (CONT'D)

YS 20X60

279699	DTG Unk	TRAC	Suspected Base Camp
296678	DTG Unk	TRAC	Suspected Base Camp
323640	24 Nov	Cas	Base Camp
325626	29 Nov	cas	Base Camp
342702	DTG Unk	TRAC	Suspected Base Camp
300790	14 Sept	SMIAT	Training Center
330635	30 Sept	SMIAT	Rear Base
265675	8 Oct	SMIAT	Many AW Positions
316674	27 Sept	SMIAT	Possible Base Camp
268791	14 Feb	2nd Bde	Small Base Camp
329605	30 Jan	CTF 115	Training Camp
285785	15 Dec	Phuoc Tuy S2	Base Camp Confirmed
295695	15 Dec	Phuoc Tuy S2	Base Camp Confirmed
305680	15 Dec	Phuoc Tuy S2	Base Camp Confirmed
320707	15 Dec	Phuoc Tuy S2	Base Camp Confirmed
350660	15 Dec	Phuoc Tuy S2	Base Camp Confirmed
4379	15 Dec	Phuoc Tuy S2	Fortified area
395705	11 Feb	1st MI	C40&C45 Base Camp
368695	11 Feb	1st MI	C40&C45 Base Camp
350710	11 Feb	1st MI	C40&C45 Base Camp
3377	18 Dec	MACV	1,000 Bed Hospital

YS 20X80

350880	4 Nov	SMIAT	Indoctrination Base
355880	4 Nov	SMIAT	QM Base
362880	4 Nov	SMIAT	Medical Facility
360885	4 Nov	SMIAT	Province Prison
310865	20 Nov	BHS	Medic Center
350884	22 Oct	SMIAT	VC Bien Hoa Prov HQ
240880	30 Jan	2nd Bde	VC Base Camp dest.
232960	2 Feb	III Corps	VC Training Center
252887	2 Feb	III Corps	Bunkers destroyed
141881	30 Jan	Air Force	Bunker destroyed
272908	7 Feb	2nd Bde	VC Base Camp
260904	7 Feb	2nd Bde	VC Base Camp
292887	10 Feb	2nd Bde	VC Base Camp dest.
290904	10 Feb	2nd Bde	VC Base Camp dest.
294844	12 Feb	2nd Bde	VC Base Camp dest
297828	13 Feb	2nd Bde	VC Base Camp dest.
232958	11 Feb	BDA	Training Area
298829	14 Feb	2nd Bde	6 Foxholes dest
3384	DTG Unk	Rallier	Large Base Camp
360828	DTG Unk	Phuoc Tuy S2	Hat Dick Base
360866	11 Feb	1st MI	Base Camp 27A
333854	11 Feb	1st MI	Base Camp
265885	11 Nov	BHS	Q96 Med Sect.
310865	23 Nov	AR	VC Military Dispensary
265887	23 Nov	AR	VC Civil Dispensary

YT 20X00

256008	17 Jan	2d Bde 1/Div	Concrete Tunnel
--------	--------	--------------	-----------------

YS 40X40

4655	15 Dec	Phuoc Tuy S2	Training Area
456551	DTG Unk	Phuoc Tuy S2	Base Camp

CONFIDENTIAL
HARD INSTALLATIONS (CONT'D)

		YS 40X60	
4464	15 Dec	Phuoc Tuy ProvS2	Combat Hamlet
579673	19 Jan	NPED	Hospital
485680	9 Feb	10 Div	1 Tunnel Dest.
593729	14 Jan	CICV	Abandoned Strong Pt
446740	11 Feb	1st MI	Base Camp 878
4378	7 Jan	III Corps	Base Camp
580780	Unk	Unk	Grave Yards
560723	Unk	Unk	Grave Yards
435715	22 Nov	Rallier	Small caves & Foxholes
436850	9 Oct	SMIAT	Base Camp
465802	29 Nov	Cas	Bunkers
410810	12 Feb	SMIAT	Training Area
583894	14 Jan	CICV	Possible U/G entrance
454900	18 Feb	NPED	VC Digging Trenches
502845	11 Feb	1st MI	C20 Base Camp
		YS 60X60	
630647	9 Feb	III Corps	1 Tunnel destroyed
616784	31 Jan	SF	Military Hospital
624648	14 Jan	CICV	Trench&Foxholes
758694	14 Jan	CICV	2 Fenced area
723672	14 Jan	CICV	Destroyed hut&stng Pt.
		YS 60X80	
650860	DTG Unk	Source Unk	Secret Zone
640680	24 Nov	Cas	Possible Defensive pa:
605810	27 Oct	II Section	Trench
608819	27 Oct	II Section	Trench w/foxholes
608821	27 Oct	II Section	Trench w/4 foxholes
750900	DTG Unk	Source Unk	May Tao SZ
796972	14 Jan	CICV	Old Strong Point
763985	14 Jan	CICV	Heavy trail activity
713919	8 Mar	MACV	Poss Tunnel complex
700902	18 Feb	A/O	suspected u/ground electric plant
		YT 60X00	
633141	2 Feb	2nd Bde	5 tunnels destroyed
628163	3 Feb	2nd Bde	4 Tunnels destroyed
748004	Jan	SMIAT	Guerrilla Camp
718019	9 Feb	10 Div	5 Huts destroyed
748004	Jan	SMIAT	Military Hospital
708022	14 Jan	CICV	Strong Point
		YS 8080	
816965	14 Jan	CICV	Dest Village AP Rung
800820	DTG Unk	Source Unk	Bung Tram SZ

LOGISTICAL SUPPORT FACILITIES

		YS 00X60	
148787	30 Jan	Air Force	1 Storage Structure

CONFIDENTIAL

LOGISTICAL SUPPORT FACILITIES (CONT'D)

		YS 00X80	
180880	7 Feb	2nd Bde	10 tons of rice
		YT 00X00	
113183	1 Jan	NP	Rice collection sta.
114190	1 Jan	NP	Rice Collection Sta.
125175	1 Jan	NP	Rice collection Sta.
096169	1 Jan	NP	Rice collection sta
123196	1 Jan	NP	Rice collection sta.
039098	10 Jan	1st Div	16 tons of rice
120190	28 Jan	CIO	5 tons of rice.
		YS 20X60	
330640	29 Oct	SMIAT	Food supply pt.
328641	9 Feb	III Corps	Rice Supply
391720	11 Feb	1st MI	Storage area
395724	11 Feb	1st MI	Rice Depot
		YS 20X80	
255885	12 Nov	BHS	Food & Ammo Storage
345894	22 Oct	SMIAT	Ammo Dump
222854	7 Feb	2nd Bde	250 lbs of rice.
260874	8 Feb	2nd Bde	200 lbs of rice dest.
327846	12 Feb	2nd Bde	50 lbs of rice dest.
		YT 20X00	
257153	20 Dec	BHS	Logistics Base
		YS 40X40	
550595	22 Jan	III Corps	Rice collection sta. 20 tons of rice
	1 Jan		Rice collection Sta.
	1 Jan	YS 40X60	Rice collection sta
	1 Jan		Rice collection sta
435715	22 Nov	Rallier	Rice Storage
478630	21 Jan	NPED	150-20 liter boxes of rice
535680	20 Jan	III Corps	10 tons of rice
443643	29 Jan	III Corps	1 1/2 tons of rice dest.
4072	DTG Unk	Rallier	Rice storage area
		YS 40X80	
580860	11 Feb	1st MI	Rice storage
		YT 80X00	
940010	23 Dec	SMIAT	Rice Storage
		<u>POPULATION CONTROL TACTICS</u>	
		YS 00X80	
099947	12 Oct	III Corps	VC conducted ceremony
035955	8 Feb	III Corps	Pgnd lecture
130900	13 Feb	III Corps	Assassinated My Phuoc Chief.
076869	19 Dec	BHS	Dessem leaflets

CONFIDENTIAL

POPULATION CONTROL TACTICS (CONT'D)

		YT 00X00	
187135	6 Jan	III Corps	Pgnd lecture
		YS 20X40	
376599	18 Nov	IIIC	VC hung flag & disem leaflets.
		YS 20X60	
263670	19 Nov	IIIC	VC gave pgnd lecture
350610	6 Nov	IIIC	VC dissem leaflets
		YS 20X80	
226943	3 Feb	BHNP	VC burned peoples booklets.
		YT 20X00	
295150	19 Dec	IIIC	VC Dissem leaflets
		YS 40X40	
432521	3 Nov	IIIC	VC conducted pgnd lec
430545	14 Oct	IIIC	VC dissem leaflets
454581	16 Oct	III C	VC Dissem leaflets
		YS 40X60	
515636	17 Feb	IIIC	Pgnd Lec
		YS 40X80	
450970	8 Dec	IIIC	VC gave pgnd lecture
448921	17 Oct	IIIC	VC dissem leaflets
		YT 40X00	
488102	21 Dec	IIIC	VC dissem leaflets
425149	2 Jan	IIIC	VC hung flags
405115	13 Jan	IIIC	VC dissem leaflets
539106	18 Jan	IIIC	pgnd Lecture
430100	19 Jan	IIIC	Pgnd lecture
448010	22 Dec	IIIC	VC hung slogans
453180	3 Feb	10th Div	VC kidnapped 20 women
		YS 60X60	
648600	13 Oct	IIIC	VC kidnapped Cheif of Phuoc Duu
		YT 60X00	
631081	23 Dec	IIIC	VC stopped bus kidnapped pass
		YS 80X60	
950710	7 Jan	IIIC	Pgnd lecture
		YS 80X80	
964837	3 Jan	IIIC	Pgnd lecture
920940	14 Jan	IIIC	Pgnd lecture
885999	12 Jan	IIIC	Pgnd lecture
945885	5 Feb	IIIC	Pgnd lecture

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

YT 80X00

920025	20 Dec	SMIAT	Pgnd lecture
		<u>VC EXPLOSIVE DEVICES</u>	
		YS 00X80	
121956	16 Oct	IIIC	VC mine destroyed brid
		YT 00X00	
068076	24 Dec	2/18	1 US claymore destroye
052158	10 Jan	2/16	Activated a mine
061152	22 Jan	173rd Bde	Bouncing Betty type m
180075	3 Jan	IIIC	4 gren vic Nui Ra Ba
068168	26 Jan	173rd Bde	6 grenades found
025145	30 Jan	173rd Bde	2 grenades
		YS 20X60	
253730	23 Nov	IIIC	Mine destroyed Suoi C
			Culvert
240773	22 Oct	IIIC	Mine deton to ambush
			1/52 Co.
		YT 20X00	
294085	29 Dec	MACV	Mine derailed 2 flat c
322083	1 Jan	IIIC	Mine under train
		YS 40X60	
470771	15 Oct	IIIC	3 mines ambush PFPH
		YS 40X80	
594957	22 Feb	IIIC	VC fired grenade
		YT 40X00	
430090	14 Dec	3rd Bde	1/16 detonated 3 mines
495070	24 Dec	MACV	PF PH hit a mine
453138	4 Feb	IIIC	5th ACS tripped booby
449132	4 Feb	MACV	grenade booby trap
		YT 60X00	
6618	14 Dec	1st Div	Command detonated mine
665184	19 Dec	MACV	ARVN Armored hit mine
612133	1 Jan	MACV	Mine derailed two cars
			of train
		<u>AA POSITIONS</u>	
		YS 40X80	
462822	29 Nov	Cas	40mm AA weapon
		<u>ROUTE INTERDICTION</u>	
		YS 00X80	
470771	15 Oct		3 mines ambush PFPH
175867	29 Oct	SMIAT	30 VC road blocks
153892	25 Nov	MACV	VC blew a bridge
186860	25 Nov	MACV	VC blew a bridge
121965	25 Nov	MACV	VC blew a bridge
130878	30 Jan	1st Bde	Bridge destroyed

Pg. 6 of 24

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL
ROUTE INTERDICTION

YS 20X60

312660	25 Oct	SMIAT	VC Road Block
247775	3 Nov	SMIAT	VC Road Block
240770	11 Nov	SMIAT	VC Road Block
235780	16 Nov	SMIAT	VC Road Block
254690	19 Nov	MACV	VC Road Block
245780	22 Nov	SMIAT	VC Road Block
273690	18 Nov	MACV	VC Road Block
253730	23 Nov	MACV	VC Road Block
280645	21 Nov	MACV	VC Road Block
254744	23 Nov	IIIC	VC Blew Bridge
251645	28 Nov	IIIC	One dirt mound
254744	23 Nov	IIIC	Destroyed Bridge
273720	2 Nov	IIIC	Two dirt mounds
254698	15 Oct	IIIC	One dirt mound
245780	22 Nov	SMIAT	5 Dirt mounds
247555	3 Nov	SMIAT	8 Dirt mounds
252717	8 Jan	IIIC	Road Block
250750	16 Feb	IIIC	Dirt mounds cleared

YL 20X80

210825	16 Oct	IIIC	1 Dirt mound
204837	4 Oct	IIIC	Dirt mounds

YT 20X00

295021	20 Dec	IIIC	25 VC stopped buses for tax
312660	25 Oct	SMIAT	VC Road Block
424573	30 Sept	IIIC	Dirt mounds
425579	17 Feb	IIIC	Road Block
254690	19 Nov	MACV	VC Road Block
245780	22 Nov	SMIAT	VC Road Block
589688	14 Jan	CICV	2 Bridges out, road cuts
446975	22 Oct	IIIC	VC erected mounds
434924	9 Oct	IIIC	Dirt mound
254690	15 Oct	IIIC	One dirt mound
245780	22 Nov	SMIAT	5 dirt mounds
603750	15 Dec	IIIC	1 Dirt mound
600637	14 Jan	CICV	Bridge out
607640	14 Jan	CICV	Bridge out, road cuts
614646	14 Jan	CICV	Road cuts
603740	14 Jan	CICV	Road cuts poss check point
637628	14 Jan	CICV	Old strong pt. bridge out
608780	14 Jan	CICV	Road cuts

YS 60X80

750987	14 Nov	SMIAT	VC Road Block
700900	16 Nov	SMIAT	VC Road Block

YT 60X00

680199	29 Dec	SMIAT	VC destroyed bridge
680030	17 Jan	IIIC	VC erected dirt mounds
673033	21 Jan	IIIC	Bridge out

CONFIDENTIAL
ROUTE INTERDICTION (CONT'D)

		YS 80X80	
878997	19 Nov	MACV	VC Road Block
847997	4 Jan	IIIC	VC destroyed bridge
878996	4 Jan	IIIC	VC destroyed bridge
890999	5 Jan	SMIAT	VC destroyed bridge
839992	14 Jan	CICV	destroyed bridge

TAX COLLECTION

		YS 20X60	
203757	28 Nov	IIIC	VC stopped POL truck for tax
		YS 40X80	
461820	11 Jan	IIIC	Tax collection
		YS 60X80	
790980	27 Dec	SMIAT	Tax Station(Closed)
788980	31 Dec	SMIAT	Tax point
790975	4 Jan	SMIAT	Tax collection
790980	5 Jan	SMIAT	Tax collection
750982	1 Feb	IIIC	5 VC collecting taxes

YT 60X00

680199	4 Jan	SMIAT	tax collection Rt #3
725002	9 Jan	SMIAT	Tax collection Pts.
685119	6 Jan	SMIAT	Tax collection
		YS 80X80	
885999	15 Jan	SMIAT	Tax collection

A/C RECEIVED FIRE

		YS 00X60	
068790	3 Feb	2nd Bde	A/C recd SA fire
		YS 00X80	
170884	30 Jan	1st Div	Resu ply copter shutdown
150838	31 Jan	1st Div	A/C recd SA fire
101802	1 Feb	1st Div	A/C recd SA fire
106805	1 Feb	2nd Bde	A/C recd SA fire
090875	4 Feb	1st Div	A/C recd SA fire
183843	7 Feb	2nd Bde	A/C recd SA fire
		YT 00X00	
044098	10 Jan	1st Div	Helicopter recd SA fire
		YS 20X80	
237882	24 Oct	IIIC	VC fired on L19
216947	8 Feb	2nd Bde	A/C recd fire
260870	11 Feb	2nd Bde	A/C recd SA fire
325855	12 Feb	2nd Bde	A/C recd SA fire
295845	12 Feb	2nd Bde	A/C recd SA fire
302858	12 Feb	2nd Bde	A/C recd SA fire

CONFIDENTIAL
A/C RECEIVED FIRE (CONT'D)

YS 40X40

480556	1 Feb	IIIC	OIF Recd SA fire
460580	31 Jan	IIIC	L19 hit by SA fire
			YS 60X40
671582	12 Dec	IIIC	Fire on OIA
			YS 60X60
618610	17 Dec	MACV	C123 recd light SA fire
655745	30 Jan	IIIC	L19 hit by HF

SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS

YS 00X60

120780	3 Feb	2nd Bde	1 Secondary Explosion
			YS 20X80
252887	2 Feb	2nd Bde	2 Secondary Explosions
			YS 40X80
472992	5 Feb	CTF115	Secondary Explosion
			YS 60X80
765826	20 Dec	1st Div	Secondary Explosion

ATTACKS

YS 00X80

106944	25 Nov	MACV	VC fired on Tau An
173868	20 Nov	MACV	VC fired on Long Phuoc
116954	25 Nov	MACV	VC fired on An Loi
131881	28 Nov	IIIC	VC Sqd engaged a PF sqd
125960	25 Nov	IIIC	AW & gren into Ba Mang Base
142828	7 Nov	IIIC	HF into Phuoc Tuy Base
086880	7 Nov	IIIC	HF into Phu Loi Base
140950	16 Oct	IIIC	2 VC Plts atk Si Phuoc
190844	8 Dec	IIIC	VC atk Tam Phuoc Base
104944	29 Jan	IIIC	50 VC atk Tam An OP
129871	2 Feb	IIIC	VC sqd atk Phoui Loi OP
128897	4 Feb	IIIC	VC dir HF into Phuoc Thim
098946	15 Feb	IIIC	VC sqd atk pacification team

YT 00X00

107150	21 Dec	IIIC	HF into Song Lach Ha Nai
028014	24 Dec	IIIC	HF into An Son Base
102020	22 Dec	IIIC	Fired into Doc-47 Base
035035	26 Dec	IIIC	Village atk by VC PH
105144	26 Dec	IIIC	4 Village atk by VC
028057	26 Dec	1st Div	2/28 recd SA fire
057150	26 Dec	1st Div	2/503 recd AW fire
034028	26 Dec	IIIC	HF into Long Hung post
105145	26 Dec	IIIC	HF into Long Hai NLH
180075	3 Jan	5th Div	Fire into Nui Ra Da
051099	9 Jan	MACV	VC fired on 2/16 Inf.
043180	11 Jan	IIIC	HF into Ong Huong NLH
053044	20 Jan	1st Div	2/18 recd SA fire
045097	20 Jan	1st Div	HHC recd SA fire
043052	21 Jan	1st Div	2/18 recd SA fire

CONFIDENTIAL

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

ATTACKS (CONT'D)

		YS 20X40	
297477	12 Mar	IIIC	80mm&57mm into Vung Tau
		YS 20X60	
233785	19 Nov	MACV	VC fired on convoy
268668	19 Nov	MACV	VC fired on Phuoc Loc
310601	12 Nov	SMIAT	304 Bn ambushed ARVN
252725	28 Nov	IIIC	VC sqd engaged ARF Sqd
295615	29 Oct	IIIC	HF Long Cat
340602	11 Nov	SMIAT	Ambush of Ranger Unit
285621	2 Feb	IIIC	SA&HF from est VC Co.
250711	4 Feb	IIIC	RF unit engaged est VC Co.
365623	6 Feb	IIIC	3-60mm rds into firing rng.
230792	26 Jan	IIIC	VC dir HF on outpost
		YS 20X80	
209935	25 Nov	MACV	VC atkd Binh Son
204930	4 Dec	IIIC	AR fire into 461st Co
357995	5 Oct	IIIC	VC atk PF outpost
		YT 20X00	
270100	14 Dec	IIIC	VC atk Bau Ca Base
394093	15 Dec	IIIC	SA fire
332092	27 Dec	IIIC	AR fire into Phan Boi Chau
228014	24 Dec	Div	Fired on An Son Post
335085	7 Jan	IIIC	HF into Dau Giay
363100	31 Jan	IIIC	HF into Hung LonLH
360100	2 Feb	IIIC	Fired on Hung Loc Village
		YS 40X40	
515535	23 Nov	IIIC	2 VC Cos engaged a PF team
433521	1 Oct	IIIC	HF into Trang Bom
476582	20 Feb	IIIC	VC ambushed PF sqd
		YS 40X60	
562738	22 Oct	IIIC	VC dir HF into Cau Lan Base
462792	9 Oct	IIIC	Unk No. VC atk 3/1/43 Co.
427646	15 Feb	IIIC	Rngr Bn contact VC Ht
416637	12 Mar	IIIC	Est VC Plt engaged
		YS 40X80	
460925	27 Nov	MACV	VC fired on Cam My
460920	1 Dec	MACV	VC fired on Cam My
470930	15 Oct	IIIC	AR fire into Long My Base
458922	7 Oct	IIIC	HF into Cam My
		YT 40X00	
538112	13 Dec	IIIC	HF into Bac Chanh Base
470073	13 Dec	IIIC	HF into 35th Rng Bn outpost
555063	17 Dec	IIIC	Ambush PF Squad
436038	5 Dec	10th Div	HF into Engr Plt
495070	24 Dec	IIIC	VC ambush PF PH.
595068	9 Jan	IIIC	CV atk Suoi Cat
400073	10 Ja	IIIC	HF into Tan Thuy
597064	11 Jan	IIIC	HF on Suoi Cat
545115	10 Jan	IIIC	AR fire into Bao Chanh
590070	10 Jan	SMIAT	VC atk ARVN Post.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~
ATTACKS (CONT'D)

YT 40X00

597064	17 Jan	IIIC	HF into Suoi Cat
475085	14 Jan	IIIC	Mortar fire on 5th Regt HQ
595068	14 Jan	IIIC	HF into Suoi Cat
593066	21 Jan	IIIC	SA & mortar fire into Soui Co
488001	23 Jan	IIIC	3/5 Cav contacted 1 VC Sqd

YS 60X40

633595	8 Jan	IIIC	81mm on Cau Sat watchtower
--------	-------	------	----------------------------

YS 6060

655695	20 Dec	IIIC	20rds mortar Xuyen Moc Dist
--------	--------	------	-----------------------------

YT 60X00

647163	1 Feb	2nd Bde	contact with VC squad
--------	-------	---------	-----------------------

YS 80X60

830602	8 Jan	IIIC	VC atk Long Hum outpost
--------	-------	------	-------------------------

YS 80X80

920900	18 Dec	IIIC	Fired on Tau Long Base
--------	--------	------	------------------------

ENEMY O. B. STRENGTH IN PARENTHESIS

YS 00X40

24 Nov	010566	SPAR	
25 Nov	010566	SPAR	
11 Dec	096482	2 U/I Cos.	NP F/6

YS 00X60

20 Nov	131750	2 UC Co	BHS C/2
26 Nov	105797	2 U/I Cos	BHS C/1
7 Dec	140786	300 VC	BHS C/2
9 Dec	043798	1 VC PH Maybe C260	NPED F/6
20 Dec	090790	2 U/I Cos	IIIC F/6
20 Dec	130790	VC Bn Hvy Wpns 4/165A	IIIC F/6
4 Jan	060655	VC PH	NP F/6
10 Jan	086787	1 U/I Bn	IIIC F/6
8 Feb	099735	SPAR	
21 Feb	011678	SPAR	
17 Feb	495671	U/I Bn Str 300	SF C/3
1 March	096746	SPAR	
11 March	142740	SPAR	
12 March	142740	SPAR	

YS 00X80

12 Nov	020895	Q1 Bn, 165A Regt Str 300	IIIC F/6
11 Nov	075865	VC Regt U/I	BHS C/2
12 Nov	098893	50 VC Maybe C240 Co	BHS C/3
3 Nov	098885	1 VC Bn	IIIC F/3
20 Nov	096965	VC Co of Bn 806	SF F/6
23 Nov	149838	1 VC Co	IIIC C/2
23 Nov	140830	300 VC	IIIC C/3
25 Nov	093888	1 U/I Co	NP F/6
20 Nov	055878	2 VC PH	BHS C/2
23 Nov	149838	1 U/I Co Maybe C240	BHS C/2

CONFIDENTIAL

ENEMY O. B. (CONT'D)

YS OOX80

24 Nov	086965	1 U/I Co	BHS C/1
25 Nov	079973	1 U/I unit Str 60	BHS C/3
25 Nov	140833	300 VC	BHS C/2
26 Nov	076887	2 U/I Cos	BHS C/1
27 Nov	095885	200 VC	BHS C/1
29 Nov	072914	2 U/I VC Cos	NP F/6
28 Nov	140800	1,000 VC	IIIC F/6
29 Nov	140845	1,000 VC	BHS C/3
30 Nov	120810	Q4 Bn Str 500	BHS C/1
29 Nov	072914	2 U/I Cos	IIIC F/6
30 Nov	169850	100 VC	NP F/6
1 Dec	092822	2 U/I Cos	BHS F/6
30 Nov	095890	1 U/I Co	BHS F/6
3 Dec	099893	C240&guerrilla Plt	BHS F/6
3 Dec	100890	1 VC Bn Maybe D4of165A	BHS C/2
8 Dec	040930	300 VC	BHS C/2
9 Dec	001890	1 U/I Co	IIIC F/6
10 Dec	108802	1 U/I Co & C260 Co	IIIC F/6
9 Dec	001890	U/I Co	BHS F/6
9 Dec	115785	Ba Nam Bn	BHS C/3
13 Dec	157857	130 VC	NP F/6
11 Dec	093888	1 VC Co of Bn 310	NP F/6
12 Dec	196937	VC Bn	IIIC F/6
12 Dec	120810	VC Bn	IIIC F/6
17 Dec	089885	1 VC Co maybe C240	NP F/6
13 Dec	149852	1 VC Co	BHS C/3
12 Dec	196937	1 VC Co	BHS C/3
12 Dec	120810	1 VC Bn	BHS C/3
13 Dec	115905	VC Co	BHS C/2
13 Dec	086963	VC Co	BHS C/1
18 Dec	060925	A newly activated Bn	IIIC F/6
11 Dec	190844	265th Bn	Document F/6
20 Dec	076869	VC Co commanded by a female	BHS C/2
20 Dec	145822	VC Co	BHS C/2
17 Dec	097892	2 VC Co's	BHS C/2
17 Dec	001890	4 Bn of 165 Regt	BHS C/3
19 Dec	110823	U/I Co C240 & C260 Str 500	BHS C/2
30 Dec	103845	200 VC	NP F/6
30 Dec	175855	Laru Son Co	NP F/6
21 Dec	130823	200 VC	BHS C/3
23 Dec	150836	2 U/I Co's	BHS C/2
28 Dec	013803	1Plt.	NP F/6
24 Dec	075985	1 U/I Plt	NP C/2
30 Dec	138813	150 VC	NP F/6
23 Dec	086876	1000 VC	BHS C/2
31 Dec	090810	200 VC	BHS C/2
8 Jan	106842	Thang Long Bn	IIIC F/6
10 Jan	123823	Phu Loi Regt	IIIC F/6
11 Jan	107818	D800 of Dong Nai Regt	CIO F/6
30 Dec	138813	C240 Co	BHS F/6
14 Jan	1087	VC Bn	SF F/6
18 Jan	130894	100 VC	NP F/6
12 Jan	105890	Phu Hoi Bn str 600	NP F/6
23 Jan	175855	300 VC	1ST Div C/3
23 Jan	047884	1 well armed U/I Co	NP C/2
2 Jan	107818	C800 Bn - Office of Sector Advisor	C/3
30 Jan	1584	1 VC Co	2d Bde F/6
19 Jan	096968	C50 & C56 Str 600	SF F/6
19 Jan	153914	Bn 319 str 360	SF F/6
24 Jan	090886	VC unit str 300	BHS C/1
23 Jan	173915	VC unit str 200	BHS C/1
25 Jan	047884	VC Co maybe C260	BHS C/2
24 Jan	075877	500 VC	BHS C/3

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

ENEMY O. B. (CONT'D)

YS 00X80

2 Feb	051886	VC Plt	NP C/3
5 Feb	068979	80 VC	Agent C/2
7 Feb	172808	1 Bn of 94th Regt	IIIC F/6
3 Feb	035955	VC Bn Str 300	NPED F/6
16 Feb	140930	VC Bn Str 350	BHS B/2
17 Feb	147828	VC Co	BHS C/2
18 Feb	129874	VC unit Str 80	BHS C/2
19 Feb	140830	Arty Btry Str 20	BHS C/2
22 Feb	140835	VC Co	BHS F/6
22 Feb	127880	VC Co	BHS C/2

YT 00X00

16 Nov	193157	VC Unit Str 500	BHS C/3
15 Nov	105090	VC Bn	BHS C/2
12 Nov	185073	1 Strong Bn	NP F/6
9 Nov	060190	1 U/I Co	NP F/6
15 Nov	105090	Est well armed VC Bn	IIIC C/2
18 Nov	106102	1 U/I Plt Str 20	SF F/3
17 Nov	162108	100 VC	NP F/6
11 Nov	193167	500 VC	NP F/6
19 Nov	046095	C240 Co	NP F/6
20 Nov	080010	1 U/I Co Str 100	BHS C/1
19 Nov	176143	1 U/I Plt	SF F/6
20 Nov	185073	VC Bn	BHS F/6
20 Nov	057022	VC Co	B/2
23 Nov	140170	250 VC	IIIC B/3
25 Nov	125174	40 U/I VC	NP F/6
24 Nov	070020	1 U/I C	BHS B/2
26 Nov	193167	200 U/I VC	NP F/6
27 Nov	098153	Est 2 guerrilla Plts	SF F/6
30 Nov	153084	18th Bn	SF F/6
29 Nov	017168	1 U/I Unit Str 100	NP F/6
1 Dec	196152	30 VC	BHS C/3
1 Dec	084053	1 U/I Co	BHS C/3
6 Dec	115190	VC Bn	BHS C/3
9 Dec	150160	VC unit Str 50	BHS C/2
10 Dec	028035	1/2 Sqd	BHS C/2
10 Dec	140170	U/I Bn Str 300	BHS B/2
13 Dec	110155	1 U/I Co	IIIC F/6
6 Dec	075025	U/I Unit Str 100	NP F/6
14 Dec	160190	U/I Co	NP F/6
14 Dec	150060	60 VC	BHS C/2
14 Dec	174164	100 VC	BHS C/2
14 Dec	110155	VC Co	BHS C/3
17 Dec	145190	1 U/I Bn	IIIC F/6
21 Dec	053062	806 Bn	SF F/6
10 Dec	174182	1 U/I Bn & C270 Co Str 400	NPED F/6
25 Dec	009126	SPAR	
25 Dec	0702	VC Co	2d Bde F/6
17 Dec	160190	VC Co 150 men	BHS C/2
17 Dec	145190	VC Bn	BHS C/2
3 Jan	157167	SPAR	
30 Dec	160175	1 U/I Co	NP F/6
30 Dec	150160	200 VC	IIIC F/6
28 Dec	145138	1 U/I Co	NP F/6
28 Dec	143157	100 VC	NP F/6
3 Jan	006004	1 U/I Plt	NP F/6
31 Dec	195154	1 U/I Unit	NP F/6
29 Dec	150160	200 men veteran unit of Q761	BHS C/3
31 Dec	160175	1 VC Co	BHS C/3
28 Dec	143157	1 U/I unit str 100 maybe element of D800	F/6
8 Jan	120158	1 U/I VC Co	NP F/6
6 Jan	078009	VC Co	NP F/6
12 Jan	055178	VC Plt Str 35	SF F/2

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL
ENEMY O. E. (CONT'D)

YS QOX00

13 Jan	101184	30 armed VC	NF F/6
22 Jan	0107	1 VC Co	5th Div F/6
25 Jan	004187	C350Rngr Co Hard Core	173d F/6
24 Jan	017077	1 VC Plt	- Office Sec Adv F/6
15 Jan	155160	100 VC	- Cong Thanh Dist F/6
23 Jan	012197	2 U/I VC Units Str 70	SF F/3
31 Jan	0705	30 to 40 VC	NF F/6
31 Jan	115163	150 VC	Div C/3
30 Jan	117157	2 U/I Plts	BMNF C/3
3 Feb	058008	300 VC	5th Div F/6
7 Feb	123033	1 VC Plt	Agent C/3
4 Feb	152143	U/I MF Unit	Agent C/2
7 Feb	140070	VC Plt	NF F/6
7 Feb	053098	Bn 307 str 220	SF F/6
18 Feb	140157	3 VC CO's	NF F/6
22 Feb	196188	SPAR	
18 Feb	162138	573 Bn str 340	SF F/3
21 Feb	067028	VC Co str 100	SF F/3
4 Mar	142195	VC Plt	NF F/6
2 Mar	138142	U/I VC Co str 130	SF F/3
21 Feb	100115	200 VC	BHS C/3

YS 20X40

16 Nov	264587	200 VC	NF F/6
17 Nov	322591	VC Co	NF F/6
24 Nov	260585	2 Plt	NF F/6
11 Dec	333584	VC Co Str 100	SF F/6
4 Dec	255570	VC Co	NPED F/6
11 Dec	258583	200 VC	NPED F/6
14 Dec	254569	1 U/I Co	NPED F/6
16 Dec	325543	1 U/I VC Co	NPED F/6
14 Jan	255587	2 U/I VC Bn	NP F/6
31 Jan	115900	2 VC Co's	NPED F/6
29 Jan	085910	1 VC Bn	IIIC C/1
1 Feb	035935	300 VC	IIIC F/6

YS 20X60

12 Nov	395720	300 VC	NF F/6
12 Nov	3374	Dong Thap #1 Regt	IIIC F/6
18 Nov	327687	VC Co	NF F/6
23 Nov	374742	D302 Bn Sub to 4 AB Regt	SF F/6
16 Nov	282609	U/I Co	NF F/6
15 Nov	277652	U/I Bn	NP F/6
14 Nov	380617	310 Bn str 1000	Smiat F/6
16 Nov	3475	263 Bn Dong Thap I Regt	ARVN F/6
16 Nov	3079	265 Bn Dong Thap I Regt	ARVN F/6
27 Nov	273643	1 U/I Unit str 100	NP F/6
22 Nov	345755	1 U/I Bn of F310 Regt	NP F/6
23 Nov	295728	w U/I Co's	NP F/6
24 Nov	285714	1 U/I Plt Str 40	NP F/6
1 Dec	319708	300 VC	IIIC F/6
2 Dec	357695	1 Hvy wpns Co	NPED F/6
1 Dec	273606	1 Co VC	NPED F/6
1 Dec	287619	U/I Co	NPED F/6
4 Dec	312608	100 men	NPED F/6
4 Dec	272615	VC Plt	NPED F/6
4 Dec	255714	VC Bn MF	NPED F/6
9 Dec	294655	72 VC C445?	NP F/6
3 Dec	310680	VC Unit str 300 Q763?	Smiat F/6
6 Dec	230792	2 U/I Bns	NP F/6
8 Dec	360690	1 VC Bn str 300	NPED F/6
15 Dec	353787	302 Bn str 400	SF F/6
15 Dec	315798	773 Co str 100	SF F/6

CONFIDENTIAL

ENEMY O. B. (CONT'D)

YS 20X60

8 Dec	276643	1 U/I Plt	NPED F/6
9 Dec	265643	60 VC	NPED F/6
13 Dec	295728	200 VC	IIIC F/6
13 Dec	295704	100 VC	IIIC F/6
29 Nov	375620	500 VC - Naval Advisor	F/6
15 Dec	325695	1000 VC	NP F/6
15 Dec	293693	1 U/I Bn	IIIC F/6
12 Dec	276683	2 U/I Plt	NPED F/6
14 Dec	280670	200 VC	NPED F/6
15 Dec	293693	1 U/I Bn	NPED F/6
15 Dec	325645	1000 VC	NPED F/6
1 Dec	320680	Q763 Regt	Smiat F/6
3 Dec	310680	300 VC	Smiat F/6
17 Dec	310640	200 VC	NP F/6
19 Dec	317731	500 man Bn	NPED F/6
21 Dec	245624	VC Co	NPED F/6
30 Dec	339744	SPAR	
18 Dec	3577	U/I Regt Str 2000-3000	MACV F/6
26 Dec	230665	2 U/I Co's	NP F/6
3 Jan	290720	2 U/I Bn	IIIC F/6
23 Dec	392685	D213 Bn str 400	SF C/6
4 Jan	332640	VC Co	NPED F/6
15 Jan	295690	Est 400 VC	IIIC F/6
11 Jan	273643	U/I VC Co	NPED F/6
14 Jan	260657	VC Co - Dagger Thrust	C/3
14 Jan	285714	300 VC	NP C/3
27 Jan	255643	2 U/I Bn	NPED F/6
19 Jan	295715	VC Bn str 400	SF F/6
28 Jan	330655	400 VC	NPED F/6
2 Feb	253704	2 U/I Co's 10th Div	B/2
8 Feb	318802	SPAR	
9 Feb	340787	SPAR	
4 Feb	370710	2 VC Co's	NPED F/6
4 Feb	314720	2 U/I Bns	NPED F/6
2 Feb	253704	2 VC Co's	
9 Feb	340787	SPAR	
4 Feb	370710	2 VC Co's	NPED F/6
4 Feb	314720	2 U/I Bn's	NPED F/6
2 Feb	253704	2 VC Co's	IIIC F/6
5 Feb	322684	2 VC Co's	NPED F/6
5 Feb	272742	VC Bn	NPED F/6
15 Feb	329623	SPAR	
12 Feb	360939	VC Bn	IIIC F/6
9 Feb	350630	50 VC	NPED F/6
8 Feb	290641	300 VC	NPED F/6
2 Feb	260780	Hvy wpns Bn (94th Regt)	Smiat F/6
20 Feb	346736	SPAR	
21 Feb	296738	SPAR	
21 Feb	388806	SPAR	
25 Feb	393785	SPAR	
18 Feb	327625	1 U/I Co	NPED F/6
1 Mar	394769	SPAR	

YS 20X80

12 Nov	360820	860 Bn str 400	IIIC F/6
16 Nov	355895	200 VC	IIIC F/6
18 Nov	274866	1 U/I Co	BHS C/2
22 Nov	280956	2 U/I Co	IIIC F/6
20 Nov	350905	VC Bn 18	NP F/6
30 Nov	389827	SPAR	
23 Nov	245880	2 U/I Co's	BHS C/1
16 Nov	3683	860 Bn	IIIC F/6
2 Dec	227933	1 U/I Unit str 300	NP F/6
8 Dec	343811	SPAR	
6 Dec	355852	2 VC Bn	NP F/6
4 Dec	227933	300 VC	BHS F/6

CONFIDENTIAL

ENEMY O. B. (CONT'D)

		YS 20X80		
2 Dec		332915	118 Bn	EGS C/4
8 Dec		252864	2 U/I Co	SF F/6
20 Nov		395845	94th Regt	Smiat B/2
13 Dec		259871	SPAR	
7 Dec		225955	D4 Bn	BHS C/1
11 Dec		240920	VC Co	NP F/6
16 Dec		328847	SPAR	
13 Dec		221928	400 U/I VC	NP F/6
13 Dec		218947	1 guerilla squad	NP F/6
17 Dec		364862	SPAR	
18 Dec		362840	SPAR	
15 Dec		210942	200 VC,	NPED C/3
20 Dec		391847	SPAR	
14 Dec		220950	150 VC maybe large sum	BHS C/1
18 Dec		288812	C773 Co str 100	SF F/6
16 Dec		205904	2 VC Bn	IIIC F/6
23 Dec		356823	SPAR	
19 Dec		292925	2 Co's MF C32 & C37	CIO F/6
19 Dec		352932	C37 Co	CIO F/6
24 Dec		330823	SPAR	
23 Dec		250980	300 VC	IIIC F/6
23 Dec		270850	SPAR	
20 Dec		233977	2 VC Co	BHS C/1
16 Dec		253980	VC Unit str 600	BHS C/1
17 Dec		205904	2 VC Bn	BHS C/2
29 Dec		357838	SPAR	
26 Dec		329880	KL82 Bn	NP F/6
24 Dec		280980	200 or 300 VC	BHS C/2
3 Jan		334805	265 Bn composed of 5 CO's	IIIC C/3
2 Jan		300890	800 Bn & 94th Regt	NP F/6
28 Dec		332854	VC Regt 312	SF F/6
3 Jan	3090	3090	C3 Co & D800 Bn	BHS F/6
3 Jan		295927	C30 & C42	Smiat F/6
28 Dec		332854	Regt 312	SF F/6
12 Jan		244873	SPAR	
2 Jan		300890	1st Bn (Cover 800)	
			Dong Nai Regt	IIIC F/6
7 Jan		263810	U/I Regt	IIIC F/6
7 Jan		281829	U/I Regt	IIIC F/6
7 Jan		342904	Dong Nai Co (C800)	CIO F/6
1 Jan		230870	600 VC	NP F/6
14 Jan		205935	2 VC Co's	IIIC C/3
13 Jan		210942	60 VC	NP F/6
6 Jan		260825	3 Bns	C F/6
30 Dec		386876	SPAR	
27 Jan		325867	SPAR	
28 Jan		314883	SPAR	
14 Jan		200910	200 VC - Office of Sector Advisor	F/6
4 Feb		299801	SPAR	
4 Feb		252858	SPAR	
4 Feb		328817	SPAR	
5 Feb		361836	SPAR Military	
5 Feb		272866	SPAR Military	
1 Feb		265994	C773 Str 145	SF F/6
7 Feb		284870	SPAR	
7 Feb		359809	SPAR	
3 Feb		360950	2 VC Co's	IIIC F/6
10 Feb		347830	SPAR	
17 Feb		385800	SPAR	
17 Feb		297852	SPAR	
18 Feb		286867	SPAR	
8 Feb		318802	SPAR	
18 Feb		385804	SPAR Military	
19 Feb		339860	SPAR change from 318802	
12 Feb		360939	VC Bn	
20 Feb		379806	SPAR	

CONFIDENTIAL

ENEMY O. B. (CONT'D)

YS 20X80

21 Feb	388812	SPAR	
18 Feb	353905	K117 Bn	CIO F/6
28 Feb	382808	SPAR	
28 Feb	286865	SPAR	
28 Feb	381806	SPAR	
28 Feb	349841	SPAR	
4 Mar	342840	SPAR	
6 Mar	354800	SPAR	
6 Mar	325850	SPAR	
6 Mar	372820	SPAR	
6 Mar	365862	SPAR	
21 Feb	310830	Bn	BHS F/6
8 Mar	269873	SPAR	
21 Feb	376815	VC Regt	IIIC F/6
9 Mar	322895	SPAR	
9 Mar	292900	SPAR	
9 Mar	370840	SPAR	
25 Feb	355930	VC Co	NPED F/6
10 Mar	325875	SPAR	
28 Feb	360763	VC Bn	NPED F/6
26 Feb	334945	3 Units of K306 Regt	CIO F/6
2 Mar	348948	H4 Co	CIO F/6
11 Mar	313814	SPAR	
12 Mar	313815	SPAR	

YT 20X00

12 Nov	30214	58 Bn	SF F/6
10 Nov	255025	2 U/I Co's	BHS C/1
10 Nov	243136	1 U/I Co	SF C/3
15 Nov	250064	1 VC Co	IIIC C/2
20 Nov	320150	1 U/I Regt	NP F/6
28 Oct	235030	1 U/I VC Co	SMLAT F/6
17 Nov	251080	U/I VC Co Str Unk	SF C/3
22 Nov	280130	Est 1 VC Bn	IIIC F/6
23 Nov	324026	307 Bn	SF F/6
21 Nov	248079	1 U/I Co	BHS C/1
26 Nov	230055	1 U/I Plt	BHS C/4
26 Nov	285160	1 U/I Co str 200	BHS C/3
1 Dec	223099	1 U/I Co	NP F/6
2 Dec	264134	58 Bn	SF F/6
6 Dec	276004	20 & 30 Co's of D600 Bn Str 200	SF C/3
7 Dec	212105	3rd Co of 806 Bn	SF F/3
8 Dec	244126	302 Bn Str 300	SF F/6
15 Dec	201378	2 U/I Co's	SF F/6
13 Dec	265073	307 Bn	SF F/6
10 Dec	256073	U-1 Arty Co Str 100	SF C/3
15 Dec	235075	1 VC Co	NP F/6
20 Dec	295021	25 VC	IIIC F/6
12 Dec	230070	1 U/I Co of 236th Bn	SMLAT F/6
19 Dec	230030	VC Bn	IIIC F/6
20 Dec	250030	VC Bn	IIIC F/6
25 Dec	235036	D302 Bn str 400	SF F/3
19 Dec	250050	VC Bn str 500-700	BHS C/2
6 Jan	263105	SPAR Military	
28 Dec	265055	1 U/I Bn str 600	NP F/6
15 Jan	213082	236 Bn str 300	IIIC F/6
28 Jan	215128	C48 Unit	NP F/6
14 Jan	260020	Dong Nai Bn - Office of sector Adv	C/3
15 Jan	238092	3000 VC - Office of Sector Adv	F/6
26 Jan	290977	VC Plt	5th Div F/6
30 Jan	260140	150 VC	IIIC F/6
29 Jan	234015	2 VC Co's	NP F/6
26 Jan	355004	2 VC Co's	NP F/6
31 Jan	313035	VC Bn 806 str 300	SF F/6

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

ENEMY O. B (CONT'D)

YT 20X00

4 Feb	200000	2 VC Co's	IIIC F/6
8 Feb	378050	1 VC Bn	10th Div C/3
12 Feb	240080	200 VC	NP F/6
9 Feb	250103	200 VC	NP F/6
23 Feb	211192	SPAR	
24 Feb	260025	VC Bn	1st Bde F/6
24 Feb	260103	VC Bn	NPED F/6
26 Feb	230060	VC Bn	BHS F/6
27 Feb	270070	VC Bn	NP F/6
16 Feb	255085	VC Co	BHS C/2
16 Feb	208125	VC plt str 25	BHS C/3
17 Feb	228137	VC Unit str 30	BHS C/3

YS 40X40

12 Nov	512564	U/I Bn	NP F/6
7 Nov	452575	C45 Co	NP F/6
15 Nov	450575	1 U/I Co of C445 Bn	NP C/3
24 Nov	465534	C40 Co of Co-Dong Bn 445	NP F/6
15 Nov	450575	VC Co of Co-Dong Bn C445	NP F/6
15 Nov	490553	VC Bn	NP F/6
2 Dec	435575	1 Co of C445 Bn	NPED F/6
12 Dec	450550	C240 Co	IIIC F/6
15 Nov	490552	U/I VC Bn	NP F/3
12 Dec	491554	VC Co str 100	NPED F/6
29 Dec	454540	U/I Unit of F31 Regt	NP F/3
2 Jan	475458	1 VC Bn str 300	NPED F/6
14 Jan	535551	spar	
10 Jan	443570	1 U/I Bn	IIIC F/6
21 Jan	488552	1 VC Bn ##5/E	NPED F/6
2 Jan	437592	1 VC Bn	IIIC F/6
30 Jan	465493	SPAR	
29 Jan	488552	1 VC Bn	NPED F/6
3 Feb	441523	SPAR	
11 Feb	480517	SPAR	
3 Feb	514535	SPAR	
5 Feb	440594	VC Co	NPED F/6
5 Feb	453577	VC Bn	NPED F/6
15 Feb	494523	SPAR	
18 Feb	488525	SPAR	
19 Feb	273518	SPAR	
21 Feb	486529	SPAR	
23 Feb	470515	SPAR	
23 Feb	462508	SPAR	
25 Feb	474499	SPAR	
18 Feb	480495	500 VC	CIO F/6
16 Feb	437536	1 U/I Co	NPED F/6
1 Mar	483519	SPAR	
2 Mar	590645	2 VC Bn	IIIC C/2
5 Mar	479495	SPAR	
8 Mar	480533	SPAR	
27 Feb	510588	VC Unit 300 men	NPED F/6
1 Mar	585547	VC Plt str 50	NPED F/6

YS 40X60

12 Nov	433675	1 VC Co	NP F/6
6 Nov	430790	Dong Nai Regt str 1000	IIIC C/3
15 Nov	436689	VC group str 200	NP C/3
18 Nov	450750	Est 1 VC Regt	IIIC B/3
16 Nov	495603	2 U/I Bn's	NP F/6
15 Nov	460717	200 VC	NP F/6
23 Nov	489654	Est 200 VC	IIIC C/3
19 Nov	528765	Laru Son Bn Regt F310	NP F/6

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

ENEMY O. B. (CONT'D)

YS 40X60

18 Nov	445731	VC Co	NP F/6
16 Nov	440695	U/I VC Co	NP F/6
17 Nov	431654	U/I VC Co	NP F/6
23 Nov	447725	U/I Regt	IIIC F/6
28 Nov	520790	U/I Bn	NP F/3
3 Dec	575678	D302 Bn str 300	SF C/3
30 Nov	435643	VC Bn maybe 55	NP F/6
6 Dec	444663	300 VC	IIIC F/6
1 Dec	506657	C445 MF Bn str 300	NPED F/6
2 Dec	455747	2 Co's str 200	NPED F/6
3 Dec	430657	1 U/I Co of Dong Nai Regt	NPED F/6
5 Dec	434675	C445/A Bn	NP F/6
10 Dec	498817	C73 str 100	SF F/3
14 Nov	452746	2000	Smiat B/2
17 Dec	455671	SPAR	
17 Dec	551714	SPAR	
17 Dec	559711	SPAR	
18 Dec	530715	SPAR	
18 Dec	572712	SPAR	
13 Dec	435712	D310 Bn str 400	SF C/6
13 Dec	433696	Co's 50, 60, 70 of D310	Bn SF C/6
8 Dec	443643	200 VC	NPED F/6
19 Dec	561704	SPAR	
2 Nov	405715	Bn 6 of 307 Regt	MACV F/6
6&7 Nov	434771	U/I Bn	NP F/6
15 Nov	510560	1 VC Bn str 400	NP F/6
20 Dec	555721	SPAR	
16 Dec	485655	2 Plts	NPED F/6
21 Dec	570707	SPAR	
21 Dec	570723	SPAR	
24 Dec	566705	SPAR	
24 Dec	552710	SPAR	
17 Dec	528614	200 VC	NPED F/6
17 Dec	420646	VC Co	NPED F/6
28 Dec	546709	SPAR	
19 Dec	445714	Bn coordinating with guerrillas	NPED F/6
21 Dec	533796	VC Bn	NPED F/6
21 Dec	437682	VC Ba Ria Co Dong Ba C4451A	NPED F/6
30 Dec	569684	SPAR	
27 Dec	554640	U/I Bn 506 Bn?	NP F/6
3 Jan	552655	1 U/I Bn	IIIC F/6
3 Jan	437694	2 U/I Bn	IIIC F/6
11 Jan	552713	SPAR	
28 Dec	520780	C445 Bn	NP F/6
30 Dec	490651	1 U/I Bn str 300	NP F/6
31 Dec	552655	1 U/I Bn	NP F/6
31 Dec	552623	c45 Co	Smiat F/6
5 Jan	491667	1 U/I Bn str 300	NPED F/6
7 Jan	530770	310 Bn	IIIC F/6
1 Jan	530770	Lam Son of Regt F310	CIO F/6
7 Jan	447748	1 VC Co	CIO F/6
20 Jan	452655	1 VC Bn	NPED F/6
21 Jan	552661	1 VC Bn	NPED F/6
21 Jan	455720	1 VC Bn	NPED F/6
19 Jan	573794	SPAR	
1 Jan	455720	C47 Co str 100	NPED F/6
24 Dec	566705	SPAR	
26 Jan	400750	VC Regt	IIIC F/6
25 Jan	520765	C304 Bn	IIIC F/6
27 Jan	450680	1 VC Bn	IIIC F/6
28 Jan	536773	VC Bn	NPED F/6
28 Jan	489654	VC Bn str 400	NPED F/6
25 Jan	442675	VC Bn str 500	IIIC F/6
2 Feb	557707	SPAR	
2 Feb	723783	SPAR	

CONFIDENTIAL

ENEMY O. B. (CONT'D)

			YS 40X60	
3 Feb	571695	SPAR		
4 Feb	555725	SPAR		
19 Jan	566680	445th Ba Ria Bn MF		IIIC F/6
3 Feb	400690	VC Bn D800		IIIC F/6
5 Feb	539708	SPAR		
6 Feb	570705	SPAR		
20 Jan	440750	VC Regt 441 str 1500		Saiat F/6
7 Feb	566663	SPAR		
7 Feb	578667	SPAR		
30 Jan	580610	VC Bn		NPED F/6
8 Feb	558719	SPAR		
9 Feb	586701	SPAR		
9 Feb	578728	SPAR		
10 Feb	563717	SPAR		
30 Jan	529775	3 Co's Dong Nai Regt		NPED F/6
11 Feb	537728	SPAR		
7 Feb	535620	1 VC Co str 150		NPED F/6
6 Feb	442675	VC Co Dong Nai Regt		NPED F/6
6 Feb	485602	VC Co str 150		NPED F/6
18 Jan	570707	SPAR		
15 Feb	561703	SPAR		
17 Feb	402793	SPAR		
17 Feb	563705	SPAR		
17 Feb	411787	SPAR		
17 Feb	569710	SPAR		
9 Feb	446734	C445 Bn		NPED F/6
19 Feb	572728	SPAR		
20 Feb	558714	SPAR		
20 Feb	400665	SPAR		
18 Feb	444710	U/I Bn		IIIC F/6
22 Feb	553700	SPAR Military		
12 Feb	440733	VC Bn		NPED F/6
23 Feb	542714	SPAR		
25 Feb	564712	SPAR		
26 Feb	531730	SPAR		
12 Feb	495671	1 U/I Bn		NPED F/6
18 Feb	432664	2 U/I Co's		NPED F/6
15 Feb	520765	1 U/I Flt		NPED F/6
1 Mar	408791	SPAR		
3 Mar	400797	SPAR		
6 Mar	403787	SPAR		
6 Mar	583713	SPAR		
8 Mar	570715	SPAR		
21 Feb	560637	445 Bn		IIIC F/6
15 Feb	400700	VC Bn str 400		BHS F/6
9 Feb	4473	806th Bn		SF C/3
9 Mar	586745	SPAR		
22 Feb	489654	VC Co 120 men		NPED F/6
2 Mar	596660	2 Regt 1 VC Bn		NPED F/6

			YS 40X80	
9 Nov	448734	VC CO 20		NP F/6
12 Nov	550950	3rd Regt MF str 1500		III F/6
12 Nov	410850	Dong Nai Regt (94th) str 1500		IIIC F/6
5 Nov	410850	1 VC Arty Bn		NP F/6
5 Nov	420870	3 VC Bn		NP F/6
7 Nov	445854	C-20 Co		NP F/6
8 Nov	440997	2 VC Co's		NP F/6
11 Nov	486923	5th Regt str 500		IIIC F/6
6 Nov	565866	55th Bn		NP F/6
20 Nov	4883	6 VC Bn referred to as Ho Chi Minh Bns		MLCV B/2
29 Nov	433916	SPAR		

CONFIDENTIAL

Pg 20 of 24

ENEMY O.B. (CONT'D)

YS 40X80 (CONT'D)

21 Nov	400024	2 U/I Bns	IIIC F/6
21 Nov	500810	2 U/I Bns	IIIC F/6
21 Nov	554810	700 VC	IIIC F/6
19 Nov	461028	55 Bn	NP F/6
24 Nov	45985	300 VC	IIIC C/1
25 Nov	458898	100 VC	IIIC C/1
25 Nov	573813	VC Regt 12	NP F/6
16 Nov	5392	Q 765 Regt	Rallier C/3
25 Nov	585803	1 U/I Regt	IIIC F/6
7 Dec	510865	300 VC	IIIC F/6
29 Nov	585803	647 Regt Hqs	EGS F/6
9 Dec	467905	1 U/I Co	NPED F/6
21 Dec	563948	SPAR	
22 Dec	532842	SPAR	
13 Nov	410825	860 Bn	Rallier C/3
12 Dec	415914	Regt 305	CIO F/6
11 Nov	580820	5th Regt	SMLAT F/6
18 Dec	544997	U/I Regt	IIIC F/6
29 Dec	579890	SPAR	
30 Dec	425820	SPAR	
24 Dec	512848	D 500 str 400	SF F/6
11 Jan	552938	SPAR	
19 Jan	593816	SPAR	
23 Jan	538938	506 Bn plus guerrillas	IIIC C/3
29 Jan	560931	SPAR	
29 Jan	582931	SPAR	
1 Feb	580945	SPAR	
28 Jan	506896	1 VC Co	NPED F/6
1 Feb	568930	SPAR	
1 Feb	560955	SPAR	
3 Feb	589920	SPAR	
7 Feb	412802	SPAR	
1 Feb	462854	C 445 Bn with 2 unk Bns	NPED F/6
1 Feb	432836	C 445 Ba Ria Bn (Mobil) with 2 unk Bns	Agent C/2
13 Feb	566899	SPAR	
17 Feb	515975	SPAR	
13 Feb	608838	SPAR	
12 Feb	540930	VC Co	IIIC F/6
18 Feb	575930	K 306 Regt	CIO F/6
1 Feb	4383	806th Bn	SF C/3
28 Feb	507980	VC Bn	NPED F/6
11 Mar	415806	SPAR	
12 Mar	415806	SPAR	
		YT 40X00	
12 Nov	5516	Dong Thap #2 str 500	IIIC F/6
27 Nov	593032	D 201 Bn str 400	SF F/6
6 Dec	540110	VC Bn	IIIC F/6
6 Dec	550000	1 U/I Co	IIIC F/6
6 Dec	519092	VC Bn	IIIC F/6
7 Dec	481072	U/I VC Co	NPED F/6
7 Dec	535138	U/I VC Co str 100	SF F/6
13 Dec	585165	VC Western Regt MF	173rd F/6
13 Dec	457155	100 well armed VC	IIIC F/6
14 Dec	498088	2 VC Co	IIIC F/6
12 Dec	492032	2 well armed VC Co's	IIIC F/6
8 Dec	519092	1 U/I Bn	NPED F/6
14 Dec	545115	1 U/I Co	IIIC F/6
14 Dec	545105	1 U/I Plt	IIIC F/6
15 Dec	482141	1 U/I Co	NPED F/6
12 Dec	585056	Co 34	CIO F/6
4 Jan	470170	2 U/I Regt's	IIIC C/4
1 Jan	463062	2 U/I CO's	NP F/6

CONFIDENTIAL

ENEMY C.B. (CONT'D)

		YT 40X00	
5 Jan	437164	1 VC unit str 350	Smiat F/6
7 Jan	522112	Soui Cat Local Co str 100	SF C/3
14 Jan	200910	200 VC	NF F/6
25 Jan	545117	Co Dong Co.	NPED C/3
29 Jan	485067	1 U/I Co	NPED F/6
8 Feb	415045	1 VC Bn	CIO C/2
8 Feb	420045	VC Bn	NPED F/6
8 Feb	405047	VC Bn	CIO F/6
9 Feb	520205	1 Bn 275 Regt	IIIC F/6
17 Feb	502012	SPAR	
9 Feb	532015	VC Bn	NPED F/6
18 Feb	598049	VC BN	IIIC F/6
28 Feb	504079	SPAR	
15 Feb	540108	308 Bn Hq	SF C/3
17 Feb	598049	VC Bn	IIIC F/6
19 Feb	477194	C 25 CO.str 100	SF C/3
9 Mar	498100	SPAR	
1 Mar	420040	2 VC Co's	NPED F/6
2 Mar	420070	2 VC Co's	NPED F/6
10 Mar	450135	2 VC Bn's	IIIC F/6
		YS 60X40	
12 Jan	670590	VC unit str 1500 (30 women)	SMIAT F/6
15 Feb	782510	1000 VC	Smiat F/6
		YS 60X60	
24 Nov	625650	U/I VC unit str 150	Smiat F/6
2 Dec	624650	VC Regional Bn str 400	NPED F/6
15 Dec	647632	D 401 Bn str 380	SF C/3
15 Dec	651636	Rifle Co of D 401 Bn	SF C/3
14 Dec	699745	SPAR	
14 Dec	687727	SPAR	
18 Jan	776778	SPAR	
19 Jan	683785	SPAR	
16 Jan	600614	C 312 unit	IIIC F/6
1 Jan	645656	2 VC Co's	IIIC F/6
13 Jan	649739	SPAR	
24 Jan	722783	SPAR	
25 Jan	623748	SPAR	
26 Jan	682784	SPAR	
26 Jan	726770	SPAR	
26 Jan	702792	SPAR	
26 Jan	727770	SPAR	
29 Jan	730758	SPAR	
30 Jan	693780	SPAR	
30 Jan	713781	SPAR	
2 Feb	723783	SPAR	
3 Feb	731770	SPAR	
3 Feb	672788	SPAR military	
3 Feb	708792	SPAR	
4 Feb	678787	SPAR	
7 Feb	716797	SPAR	
11 Feb	714765	SPAR	
11 Feb	654782	SPAR	
12 Feb	718772	SPAR	
14 Feb	728785	SPAR	
9 Feb	678798	D 500 Bn Hq & C 35 Co est str 400	SF F/6
20 Feb	652602	VC Co	SMLT F/6
2 Mar	618744	316 Bn str 297	SF C/3

Pg 22 of 24

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Y O.B. (CONT'D)

YS 60X80

2 Nov	631943	VC Bn 516 Str 450	SF F/3
26 Nov	600905	5th Regt	III C/3
1 Dec	795973	200 VC	III F/6
27 Nov	633835	VC Regt KC	NP F/6
7 Dec	725896	D201 Bn	SF F/6
29 Nov	735847	2 Bn of 647 Regt	EGS C/4
26 Nov	600905	5th Regt	Rallier C/2
12 Dec	750950	1 VC Bn	IIIC F/6
18 Dec	660845	SPAR	
18 Dec	641824	SPAR	
18 Dec	680848	SPAR	
18 Dec	662829	SPAR	
15 Dec	646985	561 Bn Str 300	SF F/6
19 Dec	668813	SPAR	
20 Dec	633931	SPAR	
20 Dec	667821	SPAR	
11 Nov	600910	5th Regt	IIIC C/3
21 Dec	774912	2 U/I Co Str 300	SF F/6
28 Dec	730850	SPAR	
28 Dec	735848	SPAR	
29 Dec	742830	SPAR	
30 Dec	790980	VC Unit Str 500	SMIAT F/6
12 Jan	702928	QUCC TUAN Bn	SF C/6
19 Jan	698800	SPAR	
29 Dec	693810	SPAR	
26 Jan	702792	SPAR	
28 Jan	606919	SPAR	
19 Jan	635968	308 Bn Str 400	SF F/6
3 Feb	653930	SPAR	
31 Jan	644964	U/I Bn Str 400	SF F/3
7 Feb	604933	SPAR	
7 Feb	767862	SPAR	
8 Feb	665699	SPAR	
9 Feb	673831	SPAR	
11 Feb	747801	SPAR	
13 Feb	608838	SPAR	
17 Feb	669867	SPAR	
21 Feb	734934	SPAR	
21 Feb	711909	SPAR	
25 Feb	673899	SPAR	
25 Feb	701901	SPAR	
1 Mar	719899	SPAR	
1 Mar	785895	2 UC Bn	NPED F/6

YT 60X00

19 Nov	645004	A 13 Co Str 180	SF C/6
21 Nov	760040	1 U/I Co	IIIC F/6
30 Nov	610040	1 U/I Co	IIIC F/4
4 Dec	628037	VC Unit Str 100	SF F/3
6 Dec	720050	VC Co	IIIC F/6
8 Dec	660085	1 U/I Co	IIIC F/6
5 Dec	643110	U/I Co	NPED F/6
10 Dec	700030	U/I Co	IIIC F/6
10 Dec	685030	1 U/I Regt	IIIC F/6
13 Dec	701050	VC Bn 303	MSS F/6
13 Dec	675055	307 Bn	MSS F/6
14 Dec	618174	C2&C3 of Bn 306 St230	SF F/3
18 Dec	640010	VC Co well armed	NPED F/6
22 Dec	650095	U/I Bn 220th Prov- Org Mobile	IIIC F/6
31 Dec	700050	2 Well armed Bns	IIIC B/2

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

ENEMY O. B. (CONT'D)

YT 60X00 (Cont'd)

26 Dec	635054	C16 Co Str 130	SF C/6
17 Dec	618114	18 Bn of 304 Regt	III B/2
12 Jan	645113	18 Bn	CIO F/6
10 Feb	658068	VC PH	SF F/6

YS 80X60

26 Nov	910700	140 VC	IIIC F/6
10 Dec	935780	D4 Bn 165A Regt	DHS C/2
28 Jan	845970	1 VC Plt	IIIC F/6
7 Feb	768861	SPAR	
6 Feb	996775	2 VC Bn	IIIC F/6
9 Feb	901681	SPAR	
9 Feb	862778	Co C40, C45 & C50 of-	
		D500 Bn	F/3 SF
15 Feb	910504	VC Bn	SMIAT F/6

YS 80X80

10 Dec	951810	500 VC	IIIC F/6
26 Dec	875947	1 U/I Co Str 100	SF F/6
7 Jan	815967	Est 300 VC	III C/2
7 Jan	929810	1 Chicom Bn	IIIC F/6
14 Jan	877840	2 VC Cos	IIIC B/2
26 Jan	838990	400 VC	IIIC F/6
1 Feb	920823	1 VC Co	NP F/6
12 Feb	955855	VC Co	NPED F/6
16 Feb	815964	2 U/I Cos Str 250	SF F/6
23 Feb	880950	VC Co 116&2	NPED F/6

YT 80X00

14 Nov	887002	1 VC Co Maybe sub to-	
		10 Div	IIIC F/6
10 Dec	943114	U/I VC unit Str 30	SF C/3
14 Jan	952058	VC Bn	SF F/3
18 Feb	890190	VC D80 Bn	5 ARVN C/6

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Cy _____ of Cys
Hqs 1st Inf Div (Reinf)
APO US Forces 96345

Appendix 2 (Data from Area Analysis Study) to Annex A (Intelligence)
to Operation Order 7-66 (Operation Memphis(U))

The following information not previously distributed, was compiled by the Area Analysis Section, Combined Intelligence Center, Vietnam. Comments as to your evaluation of this information are requested by the Area Analysis Section. Of especial interest to them are reports on actual underground installations. The data concerning "Suitability Of Soil For Underground Installations" is the first attempt at this type of analysis and they wish to judge the reliability of the data. It was compiled by area analysis using map sources, data on soils, geology, elevation, and water tables and correlated with reports of actual underground installations.

CONFIDENTIAL

Page 1 of 8 Pages

CONFIDENTIAL

Appendix 2 (Data from Area Analysis Study) to Annex A (Intelligence) to Operation Order 7-66 (Operation Memphis(U))

IMAGERY INTERPRETATION READOUT

<u>COORDINATE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>DATE</u>
YS 487497	Road cuts	19 Sept 65
YS 459565	Possible occupied automatic weapons foxhole	22 Oct 65
YS 453580	Possible tripod with occupied automatic weapon	22 Oct 65
YS 452582	Possible foxholes	22 Oct 65
YS 452576	Destroyed building with Moat and Punji Sticks	22 Oct 65
YS 465570	Two buildings with Moat and trail leading to buildings	22 Oct 65
YS 497508	Destroyed bridge	19 Sept 65
YS 498638	Possible trench 500 feet long	4 Jan 66
YS 498779 ✓	Communication trench leading from house to tree line 150 feet. Poss bunker in tree line.	4 Jan 66
YS 492762 ✓	Strong Point not in use on edge of village. Communication trench triangular in shape with perimeter fence. Eleven shelters stationed evenly on trench system.	30 Jan 66
YS 462776 ✓	Unoccupied old Fort and Strong Point.	30 Jan 66
YS 462778 ✓	Possible underground entrance	26 Nov 65
YS 461829 ✓ -	YS 464815 Extensive road cuts on Highway Number 1.	30 Jan 66
YS 468841 ✓	Possible underground entrance.	

CONFIDENTIAL

Page 2 of 8 Pages

CONFIDENTIAL

Appendix 2 (Data from Area Analysis Study) to Annex A (Intelligence) to Operation Order 7-66 (Operation Memphis(U))

IMAGERY INTERPRETATION READOUT (CONT'D)

<u>COORDINATE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>DATE</u>
YS 465809 ✓	Possible underground entrance	30 Jan 66
YS 461819 ✓	Road cuts	30 Jan 66
YS 465831 ✓	Possible underground entrance	30 Jan 66
YS 461860 ✓	Abandoned Strong Point	30 Jan 66
YS 461908 ✓	Trench	26 Nov 65
YS 553662 ✓	Stacks of material in stand of trees with trail activity	5 Jan 66
YS 567748	Possible storage area	26 Nov 65
YS 583894	Possible underground storage	14 Jan 66
YS 624648	Trench, approximately nine foxholes with underground entrance.	14 Jan 66
YS 679669	One possible underground entrance	29 Jan 66
YS 676682	Two possible underground entrances	29 Jan 66
YS 636631	Abandoned Strong Point	6 Oct 65
YS 723672	Destroyed hut and Strong Point	11 Jan 66
YS 730857	Possible collapsed bunker	4 March 66
YS 736852	Possible collapsed tunnel	4 March 66
YS 737851	Possible collapsed tunnel	4 March 66

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Appendix 2 (Data from Area Analysis Study) to Annex A (Intelligence) to Operation Order 7-66 (Operation Memphis(U))

IMAGERY INTERPRETATION READOUT (CONT'D)

COORDINATE	DESCRIPTION	DIMENSIONS (FT)	TYPE & DR IN CR	COORD	DATE
YS 737847	Possible destroyed hut and bunker	3,200 x 100	PLT	YS 432763	4 March 66
YS 757850	Possible collapsed bunker	6,000 x 250	PLT	YS 442743	4 March 66
YS 755851	Possible collapsed tunnel	800			4 March 66
YS 758846	Possible tunnel under construction				4 March 66
YS 796972	Old Strong Point with recent construction.	4,450 x 90	PLT	YS 442910	14 Jan 66
YS 714901	Camouflaged netting over road with supplies, road block and foxholes				3 Mar 66
YS 717913	Structure and possible cave entrance	4,100 x 200	PLT	YS 390921	3 Mar 66
YS 710919	Possible cave entrance and seven possible camouflaged structures.	2,700 x 240	PLT	YS 223763	3 Mar 66

Page 2 of 8 Pages

Page 4 of 8 Pages

CONFIDENTIAL

INFORMATION IS NOT TO BE RELEASED FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Appendix 2 (Data from Area Analysis Study) to Annex A (Intelligence) to Operation Order 7-66 (Operation Memphis(U))

AIRFIELDS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>COORD</u>	<u>TERR & DRAINAGE</u>	<u>RUNWAY TYPE & DIMENSIONS (Ft)</u>	<u>RUNWAY REMARKS</u>
BINH BA 1	YS 422763	FLAT	3,280 x 160 EARTH	DETERIORATED, UNSERVICEABLE
BINH BA 2	YS 445743	FLAT	6,000 x 250 SOD	DIMENSIONS GIVEN ARE FOR TOTAL CLEARING, DELINEATED LANDING AREA IS 2,250 x 120 FT WITHIN WSW HALF OF CLEARING.
BINH SON	YS 245910	FLAT	4,450 x 98 GRADED EARTH, SOD	SERVICEABLE, SOD SHOULDERS, 120 FT WIDE, OVERRUN - 680 FT AT EACH END, ROUGH
ONG QUE	YS 390991	FLAT	4,100 x 200 SOD	SERVICEABLE, OVERRUNS - RWY 09, 125 FT, SOD; RWY 27, 300 FT, SOD
PHU MY 2	YS 229769	FLAT, OLD DRAINAGE SYSTEM DETERIORATED	6,230 x 140 CRUSHED ROCK	PARTIALLY OVERGROWN, UNSERVICEABLE
VUNG TAU	YS 296472	FLAT, ARTIFICIAL DRAINAGE SYSTEM	5,904 x 131 PSP OVER ASPHALT 2,700 x 240 PSP	BOTH SERVICEABLE, OVERRUNS - RWY 18/36, 85 FT EACH END, PSP; RWY 03, 400 FT PSP.
XUYEN MOC	YS 654688		1,800 x 65 GRADED EARTH	ABANDONED, DETERIORATED.

INFORMATION IS NOT AVAILABLE FOR THE FOLLOWING AIRFIELDS

BINH DIA YS 440860
PHUOC LE YS 400620

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Appendix 2 (Data from Area Analysis Study) to Annex A (Intelligence) to Operation Order 7-66 (Operation Memphis(U))

ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE

INTRODUCTION:

1. The Viet Cong control most of Phuoc Tuy Province. The control is extensive enough that installations and units are both believed to be more numerous than reports indicate. It is probable that many of the defensive positions and installations indicated are part of larger installation complexes.

2. Major Viet Cong units in the area are the 5 Regt located in eastern Phuoc Tuy and the 860 Bn located a little west of the center of the province. Recent reports of these units have not been received; however, these units are confirmed in these areas and have simply been dormant for the past two or three months. The strength of the 5 Regt is believed to be 1,850 and that of the 860 Bn is about 500. Additional reports of units in the area are found on the listing and corresponding overlay.

Page 6 of 8 Pages

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Appendix 2 (Data from Area Analysis Study) to Annex A (Intelligence) to Operation Order 7-66 (Operation Memphis(U))

EN MY ORDER OF BATTLE

<u>COORD</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>EVAL</u>	<u>DATE</u>
YS 440594	U/I Co	NP Rpt 390	C/3	7 Feb
YS 448582	U/I Bn	NP Rpt 416	C/3	9 Feb
YS 450573	U/I Co	10 Div ISUM 55	*A/1	4 Mar
YS 465565	U/I Bn	10 Div ISUM 36	C/2	10 Feb
YS 490552	U/I Co	SF SITREP 48	C/3	17 Feb
YS 459582	C57 Co	10 Div ISUM 35	C/3	9 Feb
YS 488584	2 U/I Co's	10 Div ISUM 46	*A/1	22 Feb
YS 495602	U/I Co	NP Rpt 422	F/3	9 Feb
YS 406614	B445 Bn	10 Div ISUM 59	C/3	3 Mar
YS 454695	U/I Bn	SF SITREP 67	C/3	8 Mar
YS 432940	U/I Co	10 Div ISUM 44	*A/1	19 Feb
YS 535620	U/I Co	NP Rpt 397	C/3	7 Feb
YS 520560 - 455571	U/I Bn	NP Rpt 450	C/3	12 Feb
YS 508840	K-117 Bn	10 Div ISUM 47	F/6	20 Feb
YS 504834	D500 Bn	SF SITREP 59	F/3	28 Feb
YS 548915	U/I Bn	III ISUM 53	F/6	25 Feb
YS 675694	U/I Regt	10 Div ISUM 54	C/2	2 Mar
YS 655978	306 Bn	SF SITREP 37	F/6	5 Feb

NOTE: *A/1 Eval indicates contact

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

Appendix 2 (Data from Area Analysis Study) to Annex A (Intelligence) to Operation Order 7-66 (Operation Memphis(U))

ENEMY INSTALLATIONS

<u>COORDINATES</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>DATE</u>
YS 634628	Storage area	USS RUPERTUS	28 Jan 66
YS 633655	Base area	USS RUPERTUS	28 Jan 66
YS 650634	Assembly area	USS RUPERTUS	28 Jan 66
YS 583735	Assembly area	SMIAT 516/66	10 Jan 66
YS 465927	AW Positions & Foxholes	Photo Msn 127	11 Jan 66
YS 454900	Tunnels	10 Div ISUM 46	6 Jan 66
YS 498779	Trench	Photo Msn 380	6 Jan 66
YS 576927	Trench	Photo Msn 380	6 Jan 66
YS 587724	Foxholes or Underground Tunnel Entrances	Photo Msn 1701	8 Mar 66
YS 588725	Possible Underground Storage or Bunker	Photo Msn 1701	8 Mar 66
YS 589726	Possible Camouflaged Storage	Photo Msn 1701	8 Mar 66

ACKNOWLEDGE:

DePUY
Brig Gen

Distribution: Same as Basic Plan

OFFICIAL:

SIMPSON

G-2

CONFIDENTIAL

Page 8 of 8 Pages

S

Appendix 1 to
IHRM OPO 7/66
Dated 29 Mar 66

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

TAB B(Cont) (Order of Battle) to Appendix 1 (Intelligence Estimate) to Annex A (Intelligence) to OPORD 7-66 (Opn MEMPHIS)(U)

UNIT	CODE NAMES	STATUS	OPERATIONAL AREA	PROB PRES	LOC	STR	WEAPONS	SUB UNITS	REMARKS
860 Bn	C 860 D 445 445	C-LF	Norhtern Phuoc Tuy	YS 4473	C/3	500	3-81mm Mtr 1-60mm Mtr 2-75mm RR 2-57mm RR 8-30 Cal MG 12-AR's	Unk	
310 Bn	C 310 D 310	P-LF	Northern Phuoc Tuy	Unk		350	3-60mm Mtr 3-50 Cal MG 3-30 Cal MG 18-AR's	Unk	
C22 Plt	C 92	C-LF	vic YS 3582	Unk		22	Unk	Unk	Security guard unit for the Province.
C25 Co.	Unk	C-LF	Long Dat(YS 4851)	Unk		60	Unk	Unk	
C26 Plt	Unk	C-LF	Chau Thanh(YS 3970)	Unk		30	Unk	Unk	
C12 Plt	Unk	C-LF	Vung Tau(YS 2558)	Unk		25	Unk	Unk	
C23 Plt	Unk	C-LF	Xu Yen Moc(YS 7664)	Unk		55	Unk	Unk	
Cao Su Plt	Unk	C-LF	YS 5484	Unk		30	Unk	Unk	

Page 1 of 3 Pages

- * C-MF (Confirmed Main Force Unit)
- C-LF (Confirmed Local Force Unit)
- P-LF (Possible Local Force Unit)

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

S

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

TAB B (Order of Battle) to Appendix 1 (Intelligence Estimate) to Annex A (Intelligence) to OPOD 7-66 (Opn MEMPHIS) (U)

UNIT	CODE NAMES	STATUS	OPERATIONAL AREA	PROB PRES	LOC STR	WEAPONS	SUB UNITS	REMARKS
5th Regt	Q765 275 5/E H5	C-MF	Norhtern Phuoc Tuy	YT 5424(F/3)	1850	6-81mm Mtr 16-60mm Mrt 10-57mm RR 2-AA MG 12-12.7 MG 18-50 Cal MG 8-30 Cal MG 63-AR's 225-SMG 60-carbine	1st Bn 2nd Bn 3rd Bn Unk AA Co	
94th Regt	Dong Nai Q764 274 F310	C-MF	Northern Phuoc Tuy	YS 3777(C/3)	2000	3-81mm Mtr 9-60mm Mtr 9-75mm RR 6-57mm RR 9-AA MG 6-50 Cal MG 108-AR's 250-SMG 651-Rifle/CRB 50-pistols 9-M79 3-Flame throwers	800 Bn 308 Bn 265 Bn	
TOTALS:	2 Regiments 1 Battalion 1 Battalion 1 Company 5 Platoons	C-MF C-LF P-LF C-LF C-LF			4,900			

Page 2 of 3 Pages

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

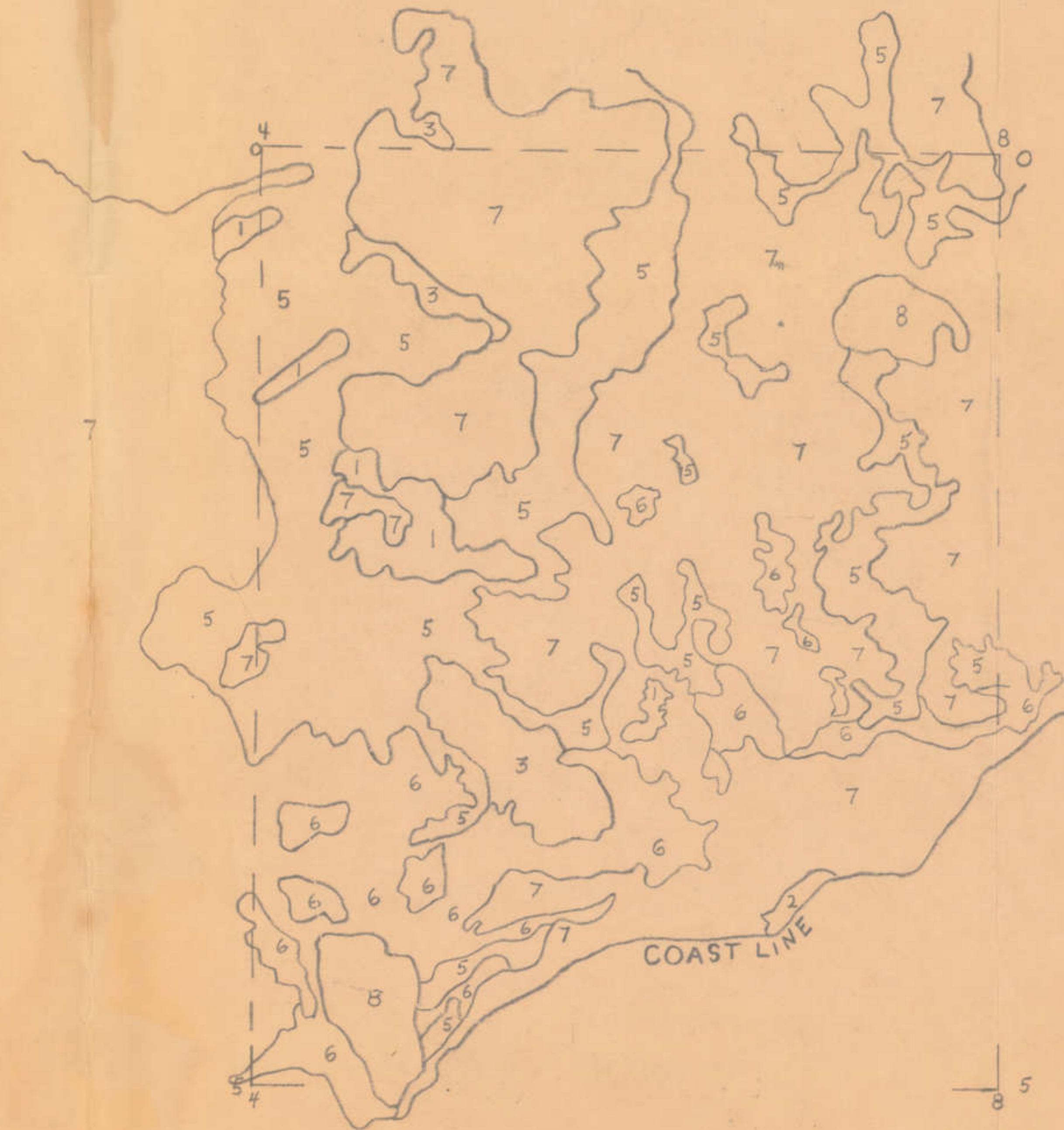
OVERLAY I
APPENDIX 2 (DATA FROM AREA
ANALYSIS STUDY) TO ANNEX A
(INTELLIGENCE TO OPERATION
ORDER 7-66 (OPERATION MEMPHIS (U)))

CONFIDENTIAL

CY _____ OF 47 CYS
HQS 1ST INF DIV (REINF)
APO US FORCES 96345
201200 MAR 66
WK 98

CROSS COUNTRY MOVEMENT

XT|YT
XS|YS



YT|ZT
YS|ZS

LEGEND:

- 1. FAIR/SOILS DRY MOSTLY PLAINS
- 2. POOR/DRY SEASON: BEACHES
- 3. POOR/SOILS DRY: LOW HILLS
- 4. POOR/SOILS DRY: CULTIVATED
- 5. POOR/SOILS DRY: OPEN FOREST
- 6. UNSUITED/RICE PADDIES
- 7. UNSUITED/DENSE FOREST, SWAMPS
- 8. UNSUITED/STEEP HILLS, MOUNTAINS

SCALE: 1:250,000

ACKNOWLEDGE
DISTRIBUTION: SAME AS BASIC PLAN

OFFICIAL:
Mann May
for SIMPSON
G-2

CONFIDENTIAL

DEPUY
BRIG GEN

PLATE 6

Cross country movement

CONFIDENTIAL

ORDER T-88 (OPERATION KEMP)
(INTELLIGENCE TO OPERATION
ANALYSIS STUDY) TO AREA A
APPENDIX 2 (DATA FROM AREA
OVERLAY)

NR 98
20100 WAR 98
AND US FORCES 9803
HQ 1ST INF DIV (CENT)
OF 47 CYS

CROSS COUNTRY MOVEMENT



11/11
23/23

11/11
23/23

LEGEND

- BLUNHEIM STEEP HILLS, MOUNTAINS
- TUNGUTU DENSE FOREST, SWAMP
- BUNGATED BIRCH PADDIES
- SPORADIC DRY OPEN FOREST
- SPORADIC DRY CULTIVATED
- SPORADIC DRY LOW HILLS
- SPORADIC DRY BEACHES
- FAIRBORN DRY WASTY PLAINS

SCALE: 1:250,000

CONFIDENTIAL

OFFICIAL:
THOMAS
SIMPSON
DISTRIBUTION: SAME AS BASIC PLAN
ACKNOWLEDGE

BRIG GEN
CROFT

AWM 95
7/1/69
Map No. 724