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COMMANDERS

DIARY



1 DEC - 31 DEC 66

PART 1

COVERING LETTER

Reference No. INT/CD/766.....

To: OIC, Military History Section, AHQ.

1. I enclose Commanders Diary (AF C 2118) (Adapted) as indicated at Part 2.

2. Please return receipt below.

(Signature) [Signature] LT: COI
Appointment COMD 6
(OC Unit or senior staff officer)

RECEIPT FORM

(To be detached and returned by recipient)

Please return to this address:

I hereby acknowledge receipt of:

Army Form C 2118 (Adapted)..... (Month and year)

Signature.....

Date.....

PART 2

SECRET

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COMMANDERS DIARY

OF

Unit or Formation ^{MI} Six Battalion The Royal Australian Regiment

From 1st December To 31st December 1966

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PART 3

**COMMANDERS DIARIES
INSTRUCTIONS**

AIM

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

GENERAL

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

RESPONSIBILITY

During Non-operational Periods

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

During Operational Periods (1)

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

COMPILATION

6. Both original and duplicate copies are to consist of:
 - a. Cover (AF C 2119) (Adapted).
 - b. Index as printed on cover.
 - c. Narrative (AF C 2118) (Adapted).
 - d. Annexes as shown in the Index.
7. All details of the unit or formation (if a detachment is concerned, the name of the parent unit), period covered and enclosure numbers of the annexes are to be shown on the cover. If there has been a change of command since the last report, the date of assumption by the new commanding officer is to be included.
8. The annexes are to be assembled in the groups shown on the cover. If there are no enclosures for an annex NIL will be entered on the cover. If additional annexes are convenient for a particular headquarters. the relevant papers should be grouped as annexes starting at B.
9. Documents concerned with future planning for operations form Annex "Z", "TOP SECRET Supplementary Diary" of the formation originating the document. It is to be prepared and disposed of as shown in Paragraph 16.

CONTENTS

10. The diary is to contain:
 - a. Changes in command, (giving place names as well as map references), establishment, equipment and organization.
 - b. Information received, decisions made and orders given.
 - c. Where applicable, a short summary of the day's fighting, including company movements.
 - d. Opinions and recommendations of the commander with regard to equipment, tactics, organization and morale.
 - e. Progress of defensive works.
 - f. Weapon state.
 - g. Weather and ground conditions, if of potential importance.
 - h. Major causes and number of casualties to officers, men and equipment.
 - i. A note of all prisoners and enemy equipment captured.
 - j. A statement showing how the unit was employed in the time not accounted for. The type of training, etc, should be specified.
11. In order to ensure accuracy and completeness and to save work as much information as possible is to be included in annexes consisting of copies of documents issued and received, routine returns, etc. All annexes are to be referred to in the column provided and the time of receipt or despatch is to be given.
12. The narrative is to supplement and connect the annexes, but need not give a precis of any of them.

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DISPOSAL

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

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

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

16. **TOP SECRET Supplementary Diaries.**

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

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

TOP SECRET

ANNEX Z to

5. A Commander's Diary is to be compiled in duplicate by:
a. Commanders Diary of.....(Formation or Unit)

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

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

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

COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

AF-C 2118 (Adapted)
Revised Jun, 1965

MONTH AND YEAR December 1966

6430 II S
REFERENCE MAP Picto maps 6430 III S

UNIT/FORMATION 6 RAR

COMMANDING OFFICER Lt. Col. CM. Townsend

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
NUI DAT 444676	4	1000	Forecast of Activities for period 5-11 Dec issued.	Annex(C) Enclosure(1)
NUI DAT 444676	4	1030	Patrol Tasks for period 5-7 Dec issued.	Annex(C) Enclosure(2)
NUI DAT 444676	7	0800	Patrol Tasks for period 8-9 Dec issued.	Annex(C) Enclosure(3)
NUI DAT 444676	9	1300	Forecast of Activities for period 10-16 Dec issued.	Annex(C) Enclosure(4)
NUI DAT 444676	10	1130	Forecast of Activities for period 10-13 Dec issued.	Annex(C) Enclosure(5)
NUI DAT 444676	11	0900	Patrol Tasks for period 13-15 Dec issued.	Annex(C) Enclosure(6)
NUI DAT 444676	11	0930	Forecast of Activities for period 12-15 Dec issued.	Annex(C) Enclosure(7)
NUI DAT 444676	11	1130	Warning Order for Operation DUCK I issued.	Annex(N) Enclosure(1)
NUI DAT 444676	13	1600	Op Order for Operation DUCK I Issued.	Annex(N) Enclosure(2)
NUI DAT 444676	14	0900	Radio frequencies for Operation DUCK I issued.	Annex(C) Enclosure(8)
NUI DAT 444676	21	1400	Forecast of Activities for period 24-26 Dec issued.	Annex(C) Enclosure(9)
NUI DAT 444676	22	1230	Forecast of Activities for period 25-26 Dec issued.	Annex(C) Enclosure(10)
NUI DAT 444676	23	0800	Patrol Tasks for period 25-26 Dec issued.	Annex(C) Enclosure(11)
NUI DAT 444676	24	1430	Directive concerning 6 RAR's policy during the Christmas period issued.	Annex(H) Enclosure(1)
NUI DAT 444676	25	1000	Additional Points of Origin for Operation DUCK II issued.	Annex(C) Enclosure(12)
NUI DAT 444676	26	1630	Directive concerning Staff Duties issued.	Annex(H) Enclosure(2)
NUI DAT 444676	4	1510-1530	CO received Lt Gen Sir John Wilton KBE, CB, DSO, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff who was accompanied by Maj. Gen. K. Mackay and Wing Comd. JS. Latham.	

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ANNEX A



VI
TO

COMMANDERS DIARY
SIXTH BATTALION

THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN REGIMENT

I DEC - 31 DEC 66

DUTY OFFICERS

LOG

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1 Dec 66

6 RAR OPS LOG

Period from 010100

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to 011155

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Sheet No 1

Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
1	0100	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP No1 NTR		
2	0155	T9	6 RAR		report two of his c/s have heard drums approx 1,000M to the East.		
3	0200	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP No2 NTR		
4	0300	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP No3 NTR		
5	0400	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP No4 NTR		
6	0500	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP No5 NTR		
7	0600	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP No5 NTR		
8							
8	0655	T9	6 RAR		What What time is COSS O group.		
9	0658	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NTR		
10	0705	1 ATF	6 RAR		Airstrike warning within 15 Mins GR 576832.		
11	0745	Ech	6 RAR		All c/s to have gear ready for backloading at the heli pad by 0830		
12		ENTRY			CO requires POSSUM for recce at 1000 Hrs.		
13	0905	C Coy	6 RAR		Demolition will be ready in about 30 min.		
14	0929	C Coy	6 RAR		Blowing bridge in 3 min.		
15	0934	C Coy	6 RAR		The blow was unsuccessful. Only one charge out of the three went off Own holdfast is going to get more explosive to try again		
16	0940	Possum 8	6 RAR		coming to your Loc for Sunray's task.		
17	1005	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP to 1000 H NTR		
18	1105	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP to 1100 H NTR		
19	1120		ENTRY		Wing Order. CO'S Orders HQ Loc at Q Hour. B Coy and D Coy are to be ready to move this afternoon as part of pulin op. Time for move to be designated by CO at O group.		
20	1155	C Coy	6 RAR		There are further demolitions required before the bridge is made quite unusable. there will be a warning giving over the radio ten min before blowing.		

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6 RAR OPS LOG

Period from 011200

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to 01220

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Sheet No 2

Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
21	1200	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP to 1200 H NTR		
22	1220	RMO	6 RAR		Starlight states only 3 pers to be evac from C Coy. OC C COY disagrees and states six pers. Helicopters to visit this loc 1330 to medevac seven pers.		
23	ENTRY				CO'S Orders: Tally En 9 KIA, 11 WIA, 1VCC, total 21, 2VCS. Friendly 12 WIA (1 DOW). Situation En. Probablr the en will harass the 611679-bridge599637. small group along the creek E of 6167. and 6265. No friendlys. 161 Fd Bty. 1 PL 5 RAR moving into XUYEN MOC 1 Dec. (PL return to base 2 Dec.) 101 Fd and Coy 5 RAR RTB 2 Dec. 161 Fd Bty RTU 3 Dec. 5 RAR to MIN DINH hills on 4 Dec RAAF and on 2-3-Dec. Mission to clear and secure the route for the RTB of APC from present loc to 5461 on 2-3 Dec. Also 6 RAR to base. Gen outline. preliminary Op. B Coy and D Coy preposition on 68 Northing by APC by 1630 1 Dec. Phase 1 Clear and secure route 619679 togrd sqare 630653. Phase 2 clear and secure rout 630653 to Ni harbour area 5863. Also assume responsibility of 161 at XUZEN MOC 2 Ptl of that Coy extract to base Phase 3, 1 Coy and BHQ return to base. <u>A Coy</u> In sp under command for movement Tp Engrs. Phase 1 search abd XXXXXX secure EAST of 328 from 623679 to end bridge 629654, assist in search of bridge for demo prep. Phase 2 move mounted with APC from 607637. search wooded area 6163 (in part in particular Harbour in BN area 5863. Phase 3 Move with APC to clear the route WEST to Base. <u>B Coy</u> In sp under command for move Aslt Pnr. prelim positioned 613678. Phase 1 Search and destroy astride route WEST of XXXX Hwy 328. occupy posn 620652. One Pl to go by Heli from 6164 to XUZEN MOC secure 161 Bty. Phase 2 Clear Wst astride the KAY GIA as far as the SONG RAI. secure SONG RAI from 598643 to bridge 599637. Coy move to LZ at 5853. Pl from X.M. at 1400 3 Pgase. <u>C Coy</u> Search and sscure WEST of 328 from 611678 to rd junc 630653. Phase 2 mounted in APC to SONG RAI. Secure the SONG RAI from bridge to 601633 on CO order. Mov and secure the timber at 593647. Then on Order to conc area. Phase 3 With A Coy with APC clear route W and RTB.		

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Period from 011345

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to 011525

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
					<p>D Coy Prepositioned at 616681 on 1 Dec. Search and destroy E of 328. Phase 2 S & S S of route 23. 631651-618645. Search wooded 618642 excluding the MOC HA feature. Harbour in Conc Area. Phase 3 Extract by air LZ 5863 at 3 Dec. <u>Mor Pl</u> on APC P.1. Sp Ops. Pnr Pl in support UC B Coy search the SONG RAI 598643-601633. especially the crossing xxx places. <u>Arty</u> Fire plan E and W of 328 0530-0630. <u>Engrs</u> In Sp and UC A Coy for bridge 629653. <u>Time</u> B and D of 1630. H Hour A and C 0630 A and C leave hear by APC at 0730 2 Dec. Bn HQ leave hear at 0800 Hrs 2 Dec A and C commence phase 1 at 0830. 1 APC and BN Leave to not before. Phase 2 start at except D Coy Assembly area 609685. <u>Comd and Sig</u> Phase 1 and 2 Bn HQ with APC SGT HQ less Tac Party extracted on 3 Dec with D Coy. CO and BC in Comd and Comm ship if avail. B Coy Sp 5 RAR Op 8-12 Dec. Wooded area 6163 base occupied by XUZEN MOC Platoon. Village GS 6265 Not exist. Banana GS 6264 Not exc st. Bn an base by mid afternoon on Sat</p>		
24	1345	6 RAR	6 RAR		Advise sunray c/s 95 and Nutshell c/s 2 t at c/s 2 less on c/s will return to base tomorrow afternoon.		
24							
25	1400	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP 14 to 1400H NTR		
26	1405	6 RAR	6 RAR Base		Require 100 rounds Mortar HE to LZ GR 605695 Comms from Heli to T9 a ytime thid afternoon.		
27	1430	6 RAR Base	6 RAR		M I require c/s and ra dio freq of party to be heli lifted at 1200 tomorrow also required is c/s and freq of party to be heli lifted at 1500.		
28	1435	6 RAR	6 RAR Base		for 1200 helilift c/s 2 will be operating on alternate freq. smae c/s and freq for 1500 hrs lift/		
29	1440	6 RAR	6 RAR		Pers strength return. BHQ 68. Pnr Pl 19. A Coy 102. B Coy 104. C Coy 97. D Coy 112. <u>6</u> RAR Base notified.		
30	1502	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP 15 NTR		
31	1522	B Coy	6 RAR		Another candidate for air recce. (an ambush comd)	Permission granted.	
32	1525	B Coy	6 RAR&		US comd and control ship not avail suggest US RAAF with 25 set.		

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6 RAR OPS LOG

Period from 011540 H to 012400 H

Sheet No 4

Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
33	1540	POssum 876	RAR		30 Min fuel have you any more ta sks. Yes 2 more trips to XUYEN MOC Yes but after that will have to return to EAGLE FARM for refuel.		
34	1543	6 RAR base	6 RAR		Fr om MANHOLE send message saigon guard. Adjt will have them in 15 Min.		
35	1545	6 RAR	Base		How many Cpls req.		
36	1550	6 RAR	base		Names from saigon guard sent.		
37	1551	Possum 8	6 RAR		this is my last trip before refueling.		
38	1559	6 RAR	A Coy		Send guide to this location.		
39	1600	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP 16 NTR		
40	1620	B Coy	6 RAR		c/s 62 on B Coy internalnet.		
41	1635	D Coy	6 RAR		D Coy moving.		
42	1645	D Coy	6 RAR		Temporaraty halt on track bogged.		
43	1710	6 RAR	A Coy		To leace present loc 30 Min earlier that the planned time. A Coy to RV with T9 at GG 591700 ETD 0700.		
44	1740	B Coy	6 RAR		In posn Now.		
45	1810	D Coy	6 RAR		In posn Now.		
46	1812	B Coy	6 RAR		Have arrested a man at GR 611676 and two locals in the area of the huts. our present Loc. Were XXXXX three people living in the area. Well Dressed. Request advice on evac of VC'S for Queationing. B coy to hold tonight and hand over to Mor Pl in the mornigg.		
47	XXXX	XXXXXX					
47	1900	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP No 19 Sent		
48	2002	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP XX to 2000 Hrs NTR		
49	2100	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP to 2100 H NTR		
50	2200	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP to 2200 H NTR		
51	2300	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP to 2300 H NTR		
52	24	6 RAR	1 TAF		SITREP to 2400 H NTR		

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6 RAR OPS LOG

Period from 020100 H to 020830 H

Sheet No 1

Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
1	0100	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP to 0100 H NTR		
2	0200	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP to 0200 H NTR		
3	0230	D Coy	6 RAR		Single shot heard North of this Loc Long way away.		
4	0300	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP XX No 3 NTR		
5	0400	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP No 4 NTR		
6	0500	6 RAR 1	1 ATF		SITREP No 5 NTR		
7	0555	B Coy	6 RAR		Plantation Rd running EW to the SOUTH of my present Loc shows signs of heavy use recently by OX carts. Used possible 1 week ago. The jungle immediately to the EAST of my LOC has a number of XXXXXXXXXX platforms of the type used for temporary stacking of rice. The road described to the SOUTHERN most road of the plantation shown on the photo map suggests Iron sides may be a le to check this road if they have time today.		
8	0600	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP No 6 NTR		
9	0630	B & D Coy	6 RAR		MOVING NOW		
10	0646	A Coy	APC Sqn		Forward elms this c/s approaching your loc now.		
11	0700	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP No 7 NTR		
12	0701	C Coy	6 RAR		Moving.		
13	0720	CO 6	CO 1 ATF		Moving to new loc will confirm loc of LZ But expect no change to your arrival time.		
14	0737	B Coy	6 RAR		Loc GR 616671		
15	0740	D Coy	6 RAR		Loc GR 628671		
16	0820	D Coy	6 RAR		Loc GR 626667		
17	0820	B Coy	6 RAR		Loc GR 619660		
18	0830	A Coy	6 RAR		Moving.		
19	0830	B Coy	6 RAR		Moving.		

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6 RAR OPS LOG

Period from 020850 H to 020938 H

Sheet No 2

Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
20	0850	D Coy	6 RAR		Have a stretcher case. expected apendicitus. Moving out to road XXXXX GR 623663.		
21	0851	6 RAR	a Coy		advise about D Coy cas moving out to road at a ove GR.		
22	0855	B Coy	6 RAR		1 shot heard from 1,000 mils from their loc		
23	0900	6 RAR	9C		Sunray is on his way to this loc.		
24	0900	9C	6 RAR		Request acorn rep thos loc immediatly.		
25	0901	6 RAR	4 ATF		SITREP no 9 NTR		
26	0902	6 RAR	9C		Is suspect in your are. 9C has been sent to ACORN.		
27	0910	A Coy	6 RAR		Loc GR Difficult getting through cactus I will be movong closer to the road,		
28 28	0912				From SEAGULL make sure you clear to the limit of your responsibility. when you make contact with Cas from D Coy if suitable LZ secure and we will send in Dust off. From A Coy suitable LZ all along road.		
29	1014	C Coy ⁷	6 RAR		Located recent lying up area and american bandelier of 7.62 ammO No older than week at least 3 days old.		
30	0915	B Coy	6 RAR		Contact.		
31		XXXXX 6	D Coy		What size party with medevac to road.		
32	0917	D Coy	6 RAR		12Ca ¹ sign.		
33	0924	B Coy	6 RAR		For CO Loc GR 622654 Saw 2 figures run away fired at them . Think we hit them now ssarching area. Not sure that they are armed VC, However they should not have been there and we took action. From CO T ₁ y to push forward quickly a d dont let them get away.		
34	0938	C Coy	6 RAR		Loc GR		

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6 RAR OPS LOG

Period from 021000

H to 021132

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Sheet No 3

Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
35	1000	B Coy 6	6 RAR		CONTACT REPORT. A. c/s 2. B. 0930. C. 622655-623652 (on creek). D. 3. E. Could be civilians. F 1 KIA 2 VCS (incl 1 woman). G. XX E & W (to and from XUYEN MOC).		
36	1010	A Coy	6 RAR		Very difficult going Not achieving aim.		
37	1015	C Coy	6 RAR		Loc GR 618670		
38	1020	D Coy	6 RAR		Loc GR 631666		
39	1025	6 RAR	base		to arrange a helicopter to evac 2 VCS and 1 Body (local school teacher) from B Coy Loc at GR 622652.		
40	1030	2 IC	1 ATF		We have had a minor incident this morning in which one civilian was killed and two civilians captured. They were acting suspicious, were not on the road and ran when warning shots were fired. The two civilians state that the dead man was the XUYEN MOC school teacher. We are sending the body and the two civilians to TF loc. Request that TF check out the story and if verified it is requested that the body and the two civilians be returned to XUYEN MOC with an explanation of the incident and suitable apologies extended.		
41	1055	A Coy	6 RAR		Loc GR 625663		
42	1100	C Coy	6 RAR		Loc GR 622664		
43	1100	A Coy	6 RAR		Moving inside the scribb line with a small party on the road.		
44	1105	C Coy	6 RAR		Leaving one medevac with medevac party from D Coy		
45	1120	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP number 11A. much civilian most in the vic of route 23.		
46	1123	D Coy	6 RAR		Some civilians, Road was mined . We have some cas.		
47	1125	b Coy	6 RAR		CONTACT thought to be a sniper in a tree.		
48	1128	6 RAR	1 ATF		Asked to have DUSTOFF on stand by.		
49	1130		6 RAR		JADE Mine in road at 632653.		
50	1132		6RAR		JADE at the intersection 628652 there is a well used track to the S leads to 642637.		

6 RAR OPS LOG

Period from 021135

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to

021250

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Sheet No 4

Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
51	1135	D Coy	6 RAR 1 ATF		DUSTOFF required by DCoy		
52	1137	6 RAR	1 ATF		D Coy Loc GR 634653 Have 5 Cas own tpts and 1 civilian KIA.		
53	1122	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy Loc GR C & C Ship refueling with me available at EAGLE FARM.		
54	1150	D Coy	6 RAR		Trac to the N of road. Mine was a claymore. explosion resulted in the detenation of mine on one of D Coy.		
55	1215	C Coy ⁸	6 RAR		CONTACT.		
56			6 RAR		JADE explosion on road.		
57		D Coy	6 RAR		JADE to go towards XUYEN ZMOC.		
58	1217	C Coy	6 RAR		Cas from mine on road.		
59	1217	C Coy	6 RAR		Cas not bad. mainly blast a d XX shock GR 627657. explosion pressure mine on road.		
60	1214	B Coy ⁹	6 RAR		have found a mine GR 623651 cable leads S am following up.		
61	1215	6 RAR			MEDEVAC		
62	1215	C Coy	6 RAR		Mine- wires lead to the EAST of the road. following up (c/s 31)	A Coy warned,.	
63	1200	APC	6 RAR		T9 has track off in APC. GR 617673.		
64	1235	B Coy ⁸	6 RAR		Extraction of B Coy Pl to XUYEN MOC proceeding.		
65	1240	6 RAR	A coy		N ow 200 N of bridge GR 628655 to go forward and check around the bridge.		
66	1247	A Coy	6 RAR		7 Pits at GR 623651		
67	1247	B Coy	6 RAR		Loc GR 623651		
68	1250	C Coy	6 RAR		Loc GR 627658		
69	1250	B Coy	6 RAR		Destroyed an A/Tank mine		
70	1250	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy Pl completely extracted to XUYEN MOX .		

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Period from 021310

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to 021440

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
71	1310	C Coy	6 RAR		Loc GR 627658		
72	1325	A Coy	6 RAR		At track junc T3 deployed around the brigade 5 Engrs checking out.		
73	1320	C Coy	6 RAR		C as Minor shrap wounds R Ear and shock.		
74		ENTRY			CO Ord D Coy not XXXXXX able to move some time therefore C Coy to move wounded S of the road towards the west on track at GR 623650 Going SE Pers to move forward on foot to clear the original D Coy Obj. A Coy to continue as planned,		
75	1400	D Coy	6 RAR		Moving		
76	1402	C Coy	6 RAR		Moving.		
77	1405	B RAR	D Coy		To move no further W than the track junc and road GR 623659		
78	1410	D Coy	6 RAR		At GR 630653/		
79	1410	SRAR &	1 ATF		SITREP. A. D Coy at GR 634653 at 1120H a VC claymore mine was detonated resulting in 1KIA and 10 WIA and 3 civilians injured 11 men 1 child 1 woman. The VC mine detonated a US claymore carried by member KIA. Mine was detonated from N of the road-track XXXXXXXX followed- no result. C/s3 at GR 627657 a Mine was XXXXXXXX detonated from the East of the road. 1 WIA-wires followed no result. At GR 623651 B Coy found and destroyed an anti tank mine wires led 100 yds to an unoccupied bunker.		
80		ENTRY			CO ord A Coy is to continue with original task. APC to follow C Coy tracks when they halt. Move from there and continue original task C Coy move in APC to SE track Dismount and clear the N of D Coy Obj D Coy mount into APC vacated by C Coy and take over the original C Coy task. (secure SONG RAI crossing S of the bridge.		
81	1430	B Coy	6 RAR		Loc GR 607641		
82	1435	C Coy	6 RAR		b Loc GRV612645.		
83	1440	D Coy	6 RAR		Have arrested 3 males one of military age without ID card at GR 623650.		

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Period from 021445 H to 022400 H

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
84	1445	D Coy	6 RAR		Loc GR 624650		
85	1500	B Coy	6 RAR		Loc GR 599638		
86	1505	C Coy	6 RAR		Loc GR 618642		
87	1540	C Coy	6 RAR		Loc GR 616642		
88							
88	1545	6 RAR	A Coy		to go forward and secure the conc area on foot.		
89	1610	C Coy	6 RAR		Loc GR 607640		
90	1611	A Coy	6 RAR		Moving over the bridge.		
91	1615	D Coy	6 RAR		Have taken over from B Coy		
92	1630	A Coy	6 RAR		Loc GR 589638		
93	1635	C Coy	6 RAR		Loc GR 599637		
94	1640	6 RAR	1 ATF		Locstats sent.		
95		C Coy	6 RAR		Loc GR ()		
96	1700	A Coy	6 RAR		Loc BR ()		
97	1715	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy extraction complete T4 has 3 VCS to be picked by heli and returned to higher HQ.		
98	1759	6 RAR	1 ATF		ALBATROS to D Coy to collect 2 VCS at GR 597640.		
99	1815	D Coy	6 RAR		Evac of suspects complete.		
100	1845	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP 19 sent.		
101					ENTRY CO ord D Coy and BN HQ to form a perimeter on the west bank of the creek also T9 and c/s 8. A Coy to pass to Maj Macfarlane is to cover the A C Coy group (T3&T4 also in thatbLOC)		
102	2045	6 RAR&	1 ATR		SITREP Number 20 sent.		
103	2200	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP Number 21 sent.		
104	2400	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NTR		

Period from 030000 H to

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
1.	0100	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP. NTR.		
2.	0200	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP? NTR.		
3.	0300	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP. NTR.		
4.	0400	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP. NTR.		
5.	0500	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP. NTR.		
6.	0600	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP. NTR.		
7.	0630	CO	C Coy		RV with TAC Party at 0845.		
8.	0645	CO	6 RAR		Brigadier will not be able to visit us today.		
9.	0700		ENTRY		Moving to RV with A Coy, C Coy and Pnrs.		
		6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP No 7. NTR.		
10.	0800	A Coy	6 RAR		Moving now.		
		C Coy	6 RAR		Moving now.		
11.	0801	4 ATF	6 RAR		PHU MY is under a 2 Coy VC attack. FAC is airborne and is firing Aust and NZ Arty in support (GR 5154)		
12.	0802	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP No 8. NTR.		
13.	0815	CO	K A Coy		A Coy to move to this Loc and deploy to cover the S and SW after stowing packs on T3. Asslt Pnr will cover the road and stow their packs on 2 Tp when they arrive.		
14.	0837		ENTRY		A Coy, B Coy, Pnr in position now.		
15.	0845	1 ATF	6 RAR		Ref attack on PHU MY. Contact consisting of SA and Mor attack by 2 VC Coys has been broken. En withdrawing to S and E. The LFT has been despatched.		
16.	0900	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP No 9. NTR.		
17.	0929	D Coy	6 RAR		Now complete in base loc.		
08.	0932	1 ATF	6 RAR		Have one troop of APC's ready to move to the assistance of friendly forces south of DAT DO. The troop commander will be briefed by friendly forces personnel in DAT DO.		

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Serial	Date/ Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
19.	1000	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP No 10. ALPHA. NTR. BRAVO. c/s 4 and elements of 01 have now returned to base. Remainder moving. CHARLIE. ETA 1300.		
20.	1100	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP No 11. NTR.		
21.	1102	6 RAR	6 RAR (R)		Movement from XUYEN MOC will commence in 10 mins.		
22.	1200	6 RR R	1 ATF		SITREP No 12. c/s 1 and 01 back in loc. Closing down		
					FINIS OPERATION "INGHAM"		
23.	2400	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP. NTR.		

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Period from 040000 H to 042400 H							
Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
1.	0110	6 RAR	1 ATF		D Coy heard 3 explosions, some bursts, and 3-4 rds SA fire Bearing 4100 mils, 1500-2000 meters.		
2.	0400	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP. NTR.		
3.	0620	5 RAR	6 RAR		Please inform Coy that is going out with us that our Comd Net Freq is 44.90 mcs.		
4.	0622	6 RAR	B Coy		5 RAR Comd Freq passed.		
5.	1215	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP. NTR.		
6.	1815		ENTRY		STANDING PATROLS. B Coy. 451676 c/s 22A A Coy. 451680 c/s 11A C Coy. 448666 c/s 33B		
7.	2000	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP. NTR.		

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
1.	0405	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP. NTR.		
2.	0700	C Coy B Coy	6 RAR		Patrols today. C Coy c/s 32 (8 Pl) B Coy c/s 21 (4 Pl)		
3.	0822	C Coy	6 RAR		Standin Ptl at GR 451661.		
4.	0850		ENTRY		B Coy, when on Op "Canary" will be c/s 8 on the TF Net		
5.	0855	1 ATF	6 RAR		Airstrike at GR 315748 in 10 mins.		
6.	0855		ENTRY		New points of origin. ANIMAL 3465. TOWN 2571. RIVER 2863.		
7.	0918	4 Pl	6 RAR		LOCSTAT. GR 454680.		
8.	0940	4 Pl	6 RAR		LOCSTAT. GR 460681.		
9.	1020	4 Pl	6 RAR		LOCSTAT. GR 466682.		
10.	1040	4 Pl	6 RAR		LOCSTAT. GR 471683.		
11.	1120	"	"		LOCSTAT. GR 474683.		
12.	1140	"	"		LOCSTAT. GR 474684.		
13.	1200	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP SENT		
14.	1215	4 Pl	6 RAR		LOCSTAT. GR 475683.		
15.	1245	4 Pl	6 RAR		LOCSTAT. GR 477682. We have been looking for an old En camp and have spent an hour searching with no results.		
16.	1345	4 Pl	6 RAR		LOCSTAT. GR 481681.		

Period from 051425

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to 051516

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
17.	1415	4 Pl	6 RAR		LOCSTAT. GR 474680.		
18.	1435	4 Pl	6 RAR		Have reached Sth camp. No recent movement-could be used as En defensive Posn. Returning to camp.		
19.	1455	4 Pl	6 RAR		LOCSTAT. GR 472680.		
20.	1500	8 Pl	6 RAR		Moving out now.		
21.	1516	4 Pl	6 RAR		LOCSTAT. GR 465679.		

Period from 051540

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
1	1540	B Coy	6 RAR		4 Pl Locstat GR 460678		
		C Coy	6 RAR		8 Pl Locstat GR 444656		
2	1600	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP 4 NTR		
3	1615	B Coy	6 RAR		4 Pl Locstat GR 453677		
4	1625	B Coy	6 RAR		4 Pl in position, Close Down.		
5	1701	8 Pl	6 RAR		Locstat GR 443638.		
6	1705	8 Pl	6 RAR		9 to 12 armed men about 20 m. to my west. Checked with 1 ATF NOT ours. Ptl told to regard as enemy. Dress mixed, some with Armalites.		
7	1734	8 Pl	6 RAR		Contact. 5 VC KIA. 1 WIA (escaped) . Remainder fled SW. 11 assorted weapons captured. Loc GR 444637. Told to xxx remain Conc. and sweep immediate area. A Coy Ptl with APC to go to area and extract 8 Pl.		
8	1745	A Coy	6 RAR		Ptl is C/S 13 on Bn Command Net.		
9	1745	Jade	6 RAR		Women and children at GR 436628 - proceeding South.		
10	1746	6 RAR	8 Pl		RV at GR 440639 with APC and A Coy Ptl.		
11	1751	6 RAR	8 Pl		APC and C/S 13 will go to RV posn. Bring weapons back here. Bring bodies and drop them off at Sector HQ.		
12	1756	8 Pl	6 RAR		Movement seen NE. Asked Jade 5 to check.		
13	1807	8 Pl	6 RAR		1 En KIA may be an Officer. Now have 12 weapons.		
14	1810	8 Pl	6 RAR		Swept for 75 meters around area.		
15	1816	6 RAR	3 Pl		On joining 8 Pl you will take Command, load up and come back to base. Seagull will see 8 Pl Ptl Comd on return		
16	1830	6 RAR	8 Pl		APC to go to GR 435638.		
17	1835	8 Pl	6 RAR		Have contacted APC now.		
18	1837	3 Pl	6 RAR		In 8 Pl Loc now.		

Period from 051837

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052400

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6 RAR OPS LOG

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Sheet No 2

Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
19.	1854	6 RAR	1 ATF		CONTACT REPORT. A. c/s 32 B. 051732 H. C. GR 435638. D. 12. E. Probably Local. F. 5 KIA (BC), 12 Wpns. G. South West.		
20.	1858				STANDING PATROLS. A Coy GR 451681, c/s 12A. B Coy GR 451675, c/s 23A C Coy GR 447667, c/s 31B D Coy. NIL A/Pnr. NIL		
21.	1859	8 Pl	6 RAR		Loaded and returning now.		
22.	1920				DUTY OFFICER TOMORROW TO NOTE. 1 AHU have Pl training in HOA LONG tomorrow. If they get in any difficulty or make any discovery they will come up on the Bn Comd Freq as c/s 9D.		
23.	1952	T23A	6 RAR		Permission to close down.		
24.	2000	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP. To 2000 H. NTR.		
25.	2015				Prelim. Report from 8 Pl contact. 5 VC KIA (BC). 4 VC WIA by blood trail. Weapons 3 M1 Carbines, 1 .45 Grease Gun SMG, 1 .45 Thompson SMG, 3 .30 Garand Rifles. 4 Mossin Nagent rifles. Quantity eqpt, ammo, clothing, documents.		
26.	2045	B Coy	6 RAR		Rifle shot heard by Standing Ptl. 2000 meters , Bearing 600 mils from GR 451675.		
27.	24000	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP. NTR.		

Period from 060000

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061600

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
1.	0400	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP. NTR.		
2.	0635	A Coy	6 RAR		AD from an M 16 has wounded one man in this area. He has been wounded in the hip and taken to the RAP.		
3.	0707	A Coy	6 RAR		Soldier accidentally wounded by NCO whilst clearing his weapon after the morning clearing patrol.		
4.	0717	9 Bl	6 RAR		Moving out now.		
5.					RAP reports that injury was simple flesh wound high on left thigh		
6.	0802	9 Pl	6 RAR		LOCSTAT. GR 457673.		
7.	0815	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP. NTR.		
8.	0835	9 Pl	6 RAR		LOCSTAT. GR460670.		
9.	0920	9 Pl	6 RAR		LOCSTAT. GR 465669.		
10.	1010	9 Pl	6 RAR		LOCSTAT. GR 467668		
11.	1105	9 Pl	6 RAR		Aprehended 2 women at GR 470668 both carrying baskets of bananas. TOC 1 ATF notified and 9 Pl told to release.		
12.	1140	9 Pl	6 RAR		LOCSTAT. GR 468661.		
13.	1150	9 Pl	6 RAR		Aprehended 3 civilians without ID cards but carrying a stamped document which they handed over when approached. TOC 1 ATF notified and an ALBATROSS being sent to pick them up.		
14.	1230	9 Pl	6 RAR		LOCSTAT. GR 467663.		
15.	1335	9 Pl	6 RAR		LOCSTAT. GR 469663. Have Recce Ptl's East and West.		
16.	1400	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 44 standing patrol GR 44656670, change from last night.		
17.	1425	B Coy	6 RAR		Mortar round dropped short between B and C Coys. No casualties.		
18.	1430	9 Pl	6 RAR		LOCSTAT. No change. One Recce Ptl now only to East		
19.	1525	9 Pl	6 RAR		LOCSTAT. GR 464662.		
20.	1555	9 Pl	6 RAR		LOCSTAT. GR 458663		
21.	1600	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP. SENT.		

Period from 061600

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
22.	1632	9 Pl	6 RAR		LOCSTAT. GR 455665.		
23.	1705	9 Pl	6 RAR		Back in Base. Closed down.		
24.	1823	10 Pl	6 RAR		In ambush position now		
25.	1855				STANDING PATROLS A Coy GR 451681 c/s 13A B Coy GR 451675 c/s 29		
26	2000	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP. 061600 to 062000 H. NTR.		
27.	2000	1 ATF	6 RAR		B Coy now defferred 24 hrs.		
28.	2400	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP. To 2400 hrs. NTR.		

Period from 070000 H to 071135 H

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
1.	0400	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP. NTR.		
2.	0630	10 Pl	6 RAR		Returning to this Loc.		
3.	0655	6 RAR	All Coys		C/s 88 conducting a searching Ptl of Grid Squares 4567 and 4568 for Mortar fins from shoot yesterday. 0830 till 1200.		
4.	0735	10 Pl	6 RAR		LOCSTAT. Next to Holdfast Loc.		
5.	0740	10 Pl	6 RAR		LOCSTAT. In D Coy Loc now. Close Down.		
6.	0740	12 Pl	6 RAR		Moving out now.		
7.	0730				A Coy Ptl left with APC's. Str 50.		
8.	0840	12 Pl	6 RAR		LOCSTAT. GR 461664.		
9.	0851				C/s 88 leaving C Coy now.		
10.	0855	1 Pl	6 RAR		LOCSTAT. GR 445745.		
11.	0907	1 ATF	6 RAR		AIRSTRIKE WARNING. Strikes in 15 mins at GR 333751 and 615794.		
12.	0912	A Coy	6 RAR		LOCSTAT c/s 1 and 12 GR 445745. Intention is to sweep South then West. LOCSTAT c/s 13 GR 465715,		
13.	1000				LOCSTAT c/s 88 GR 455675.		
14.	1000	A Coy	6 RAR		LOCSTAT. c/s 1 No Change. c/s 12 GR 434735. c/s 13 GR 461722.		
15.	1000	12 Pl	6 RAR		LOCSTAT. GR 466667. House has some equipment in it. A search is to be made. Recent bullock tracks nearby.		
16.	1015	Mor Pl	6 RAR		LOCSTAT c/s 88 GR 452686.		
17.	1040	12 Pl	6 RAR		LOCSTAT. GR 468669.		
18.	1100	A Coy	6 RAR		LOCSTATS. c/s 1 No change. c/s 12 GR 434735, moving West c/s 13 GR 463727. Moving North.		
19.	1112	Mor Pl	6 RAR		c/s 88 in through C Coy. Closed Down.		
20.	1135	12 Pl	6 RAR		LOCSTAT. GR 477673.		

Period from 071200

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to

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Sheet No 2

Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
21	1200	A Coy	6 RAR		LOCSTAT A Coy GR 477673. 2Pl Moving East From GR 429739. 3 Pl Moving North from GR 463727		
22	1210	1 ATF	6 RAR		For Maj McKAY will have 6 trucks at B Coy at 1000 Hrs 8 Dec.	Passed to B Coy	
23	1240	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP. LOCSTATS C/S1 GR 445745. 12 GR 429739. 13 GR 463727. 43 GR 477673. Nothing to report.		
24	1245	1 ATF	6 RAR		Airstrike in 20 min on GR 610810.		
25	1300	A Coy	6 RAR		LOCSTATS 1 No chance. 12 GR 433764. 13 GR 464734.		
26	1315	D Coy	6 RAR		LOCSTAT c/s 43 GR 475675.		
27	1415	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 43 En Installation at GR 473679. Approx 50 wpn pits with OHP, sited in all round defence, near the river listening posts to N, S and west. Very old camp.		
28	1500	D Coy	6 RAR		Cannot find En camp given in orders told to look WEST of stream		
29	1500	A Coy	6 RAR		A Coy LOC No chance. 12 No chance. 13 GR 467752.		
30	1600	A Coy	6 RAR		A Coy Loc No change. except 13 GR 465754 Meeting up with T2.		
31	1625	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 43 Loc GR 458663. Coming in through C Coy	C Coy informed	
32	1705	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 43 In D Coy Loc Closed down.		
33	1710	A Coy	6 RAR		A Coy Returned to own Loc Closed down.		
34					STANDING PATROLS. A COY NONE. B Coy GR 452675. c/s 21A. C Coy None. D Coy GR 44656670, c/s 44		
35	1905	6 RAR	6 RAR		STAND DOWN ORDERED.		
36	2217	1 ATF	6 RAR		Have Maj Smeaton call in the morning with regards to faulty mortar ammo.		
37							

Period from 082415

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
1	2415	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NTR.		
2	0400	6 RAR	1 atf		SITREP NTR.		
3	0730	A Coy	6 RAR		c/s 11 Moved out.		
4	0805	A Coy	6 RAR		c/s 11 Loc GR 456684.		
5	0805	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP c/s 11 GR 4566 84.		
6	0833	A Coy	6 RAR		c/s 11 Loc GR 460684.		
7	0900	A Coy	6 RAR		c/s 11 Loc GR 460682.		
8	0910	5 RAR	6 RAR		No need for B coy to take defence stores when they receive C/5 RAR at the gun posn.	B Coy informed	
9	0931	A Coy	6 RAR		c/s 11 Loc GR 460677.		
10	1027	A Coy	6 RAR		c/s 11 Loc GR 456679.		
11	1105	A Coy	6 RAR		c/s 11 Loc GR 456677. Returning to A Coy		
12	1130	A Coy	6 RAR		c/s 11 In Loc Close down.		
13	1200 1200	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NTR.		
14	1530	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 31 Departing from Location.		
15	1630	C Coy	6bRAR		c/s 31 Loc GR 428657		
16	1630	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP c/s 31 Loc GR 428657 (.) NTR.		
17	1705	A Coy	6 RAR		STANDING PATROL c/s 11 A Loc GR 449683.		
18	1720	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 31 Loc GR 432640.		
19	1827	6 RAR	6 RAR		A Coy Standing Patrol c/s 11 A GR 449683. B Coy Nil. C Coy Nil. D Coy Nil. Aslt Pnr Mil.		
20	1915	6 RAR	6 RAR		STAND DOWN		
21	1944	A Coy	6 RAR		A Coy report light on perimeter in VIC of standing patrol. could be standing patrol.		
22	1949	A Coy	6 RAR		A Coy say light from standing patrol.		
23	2000	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NTR.		

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
1	0001	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP No 1 NTR.		
2	0650	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 31 Returning to base Loc NTR		
3	0658	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 31 Loc GR 438639		
4	0700	C Coy	6bRAR		c/s 32B now c/s 32A		
5	0755	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 31 Closing down		
6	0800	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP c/s 31 back in base loc		
7	0850	B Coy	6 RAR		Request another veh for, resup today at 1300 for use to carry replacements to B Coy in Field.		
8	0930	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 32A Loc GR 439637		
9	1030	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 32A reported civilians seen, with cattle, moving NORTH in direction of XA LONG PHUOC. Told to apprehend them. Loc GR 436634.		
10	1035	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 32 A Civilians at that loc 6 civs, approx 100 meters away maybe futher 30 civs, one may have had a wpn.		
11	1110	C Coy	6bRAR		c/s 32A Civilians cleared from area of LONG PHUOC.		
12	1134	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 32A Loc GR 444631.		
13	1200	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP 3 (.) 090800H to 091200H (.) NTR.		
14	1313	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 32A Loc GR 457643.		
15	1400	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 32A Loc GR 454651.		
16	1422	1 ATF	6 RAR		Airstrike warning within 15 mib GR 622766		
17	1455	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 32A Loc GR 460658		
18	1501	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 61 Leaving D Coy Area.		
19	1535	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 32A XXXX Closed down.		
20	1537	Atk Pl	6 RAR		c/s 61 Loc GR 442655		
21	1625	Atk Pl	6 RAR		c/s 61 Loc GR 440639		
22	1720	Atk Pl	62RAR		c/s 61 Loc GR 439631 and stationary.		

Period from 091837

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6 RAR OPS LOG

Sheet No 2

Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
23	1837	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy standing patrol GR 447675. No c/s . No medic.		
24	1839	Atk Pl	6 RAR		In night Loc Now.		
25	2000	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP 5 (.) 091600 to 092000 (.) NTR.		
26	2025	B Coy	6 RAR		Request to use internal alternate freq as we are receiving heavy interference on main.	Approved	
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Period from 100015

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to

100911

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6 RAR OPS LOG

Sheet No 1

Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
1	0015	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP TO 2400 (.) NTR.		
2	0145	6 RAR	Entry		ATF net on blink- remote nor working.		
3	0150	1 ATF	6 RAR		1 Hour stand by from 0730. Coy commander report TOC commander 0645 Prob task secure feature GR 360623. 6 RAR Standby Coy.		
4	0200	6 RAR	C Coy		OC C Coy informed. Maj Mac FARLANE. (1ATF also need a futher Coy for reaction routine		
5	0210	6 RAR	D Coy		D Coy warned for stand by.		
6	0250	C Coy	6 RAR		For Int Offr. could they have some maps of their AO please? as their old maps are cut off on the 615 northing. 7x1:50,000 are required at 0700hrs. Maj Mac Farlane would like a picto covering AO if available.		
7	0400	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NTR.		
8	0645	Atk Pl	6 RAR		Moving back to this Loc		
9	0725	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 43 Moving Now		
10	0725	Atk Pl	6 RAR		Two VC's at GR 435634 one dressed in black one without a shirt. living in bunkers. Two VC's withdrew EAST. They were NOT armed Ptl told to do a detailed search and then move back. Details passed to c/s 43.		
11	0800	Atk Pl	6 RAR		Loc GR 433650		
12	0805	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP 2. 100400H to 100800 Enemy 2 VC seen by c/s 61 at GR 435634 435634. Living in bunker. VC withdrew EAST. Own troops c/s 61 GR 433650. c/s 43 moving No loc yet. c/s 3 ready to move Adm NTR.		
13	0812	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 43 Loc GR 447654		
14	0845	Atk Pl	6 RAR		Moving back to own loc now closed down		
15	0915	C Coy	6 RAR		Have meet up with gides from c/s 14 5 RAR		
15	0911	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 43 Loc gr 446644		
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Period from ¹⁰ 0911 H to ¹⁰ 2215 H

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
17	0911	C07	6 RAR		Proceeding to A Coy Loc		
18	0915	C0	6 RAR		Have arrived at A Coy Loc		
19	1200	D Cpy	6 RAR		c/s 43 Loc GR 424629		
20	1255	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 43 Loc GR 430634 Area completed returning this Loc		
21	1200	6 RAR	1 TAF		SITREP 3 (.) 100800H to 101200H (.) NTR		
22	1345	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 43 Loc GR 438646		
23	1445	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 43 Loc GR 445663		
24	1505	5 RAR	6 RAR		c/s 3 will be returning your loc in near future		
25	1505 1510	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 43 in Loc request permission to close down	Granted	
26	1600	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP 1012000 tp 101600 NTR		
27	1610	C Coy	6 RAR		Moving back this loc now		
28	1912	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP Passed by line		
29	1926	RMO	6 RAR		Req Clearance for member go to 2 Pd Amb NUI DAT.	OK	
30	2000	6 RAR	1 TAF		SITREP No 4 NTR		
31	2000	Honey 18	6 RAR		For Seagull. Plantation Manager willing to buy rubber US 15 piastre per kilo. I will try to raise price later on.		
32	2019	D Coy	6 RAR		SA fire 3200 mils 400 metres amded to 4,000 meters.		
33	2215	Honey 18	6 RAR		Radio check hears this c/sLC am fliking to other freq		
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Period from 0001

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
1	0001	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NTR		
2	0400	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP TO 0400 NTR		
3	0405	Switch	6 RAR		A Coy Lines are out The A to B Coy line is also out		
4	0626	Switch	6 RAR		A CoyLine Now OK OK		
5	0745	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 41 Leaving loc now		
6	0800	D Coy ⁹	6 RAR		C/s 41 patrolling in Area 24		
7	0840 0840	D coy	6 RAR		c/s 41 Loc GR 421662		
8	0930	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 41 Loc GR 414659		
9	1000	1 ATF	6 RAR		AIRSTRIKE IN next 10 min		
10	1045	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 41 Caught 2 civilians at GR 407650	Ordered let go	
11	1130	D coy	6 RAR		c/s 41 Loc GR 400640		
12	1200	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NTR		
136	1300	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 41 Loc GR 415656		
14	1355	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 41 Loc GR 428659		
15	1440	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 41 Returning to Loc Closed down		
16	1605	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NT ^R		
17	1843	6 RAR	6 RAR		A Coy Standing patrol Nil. C Coy standing patrol Nil. D Coy standing patrol GR 447667 c/s 44		
18	1855	A Coy	6 RAR		1 Pl moving to B Coy area and will be c/s 11 on BN net		
19	1920	A Coy	6 RAR		c/s 11 In B Coy Loc Now		
20	2000	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NTR		
21	2212	1 A F	6 RAR		From Maj Hanigan for Maj Smeaton: Operation TUMBERHUMBA has been postponed indefinitely 5 RAR will remain out on their present operation longer than expected.		
22	2225	1 ATF	6 RAR		From Capt Goodwin for Maj Smeaton: It is confirmed that the convoy will leave VT between 0900-0930 hrs tomorrow time past any given point 20 min for planning est one hour travel from start point VT to BA RIA		
23	2400	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NTR		

Period from 120020 H to 121350 H

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
1	0020	D Coy 1 ATF	6 RAR 6 RAR		10 - 12 shots west of standing patrol Shots were FD Regt firing at a light seen on their wire	Notified TF D Coy Notified	
2	0400	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP No1 NTR		
3	0740	6 RAR	entry		Patrols left		
4	0800	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NTR		
5	0830	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 33 Loc GR 448659		
6	0832	A Coy	6 RAR		c/s 12A Loc GR 426671		
7	0922	A Coy	6 RAR		c/s 12A Loc GR 420669		
8	0935	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 33 Loc GR 446647		
9	1018	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 33 Loc GR 446644		
10	1020	A Coy	6 RAR		c/s 12A Loc GR 409667		
11	1045	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 33 Loc GR 443642		
12	1110	A Coy	6 RAR		c/s 12A Loc GR 408663		
13	1140	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 33 Loc GR 448638		
14	1200	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP No3 120800 H to 121200 H. En . NTR. Own patrols as per task table. otherwisw NTR.		
15	1210	A Coy	6 RAR		c/s 12A Loc GR 404665 .		
16	1210	6 RAR	A Coy		To c/s 12A have you seen or heard anything of possum down in sq 4266.		
17	1240	C Coy	6 RAR		4 Persond were moving seen at GR 454638 my LOC GR 454635. Persons were moving. From 1 ATF No friendly in area. from seagull. keep in sight move up and investigate.		
18	1259	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s of patrol inot sector 28 13 Dec c/s 31B.		
19	1313	A Coy	6 RAR		c/s 12A LOC GR 404668.		
20	1350	C Coy	6 RAR&		c/s 33 Loc GR 450215 lost contact with 4 pers. 2 of own forces high temp need to be evac plus one with flu.		

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Period from 121430

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to 122400

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
21	1430	C Coy	6 RAR		Standing patrol GR 448667 c/s 32B		
22	1450	C Coy	6 RAR		LZ of c/s 33 GR 45306375		
23	1523	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 33 Evac completed.		
24	1525	C Coy	6 RAR		3-4- loccals with cattle 300m away- check them		
25	1531	A Coy	6 RAR		c/s 12A Loc GR 411667		
26	1549	CX Coy	6 RAR		c/s 33 Loc GR 454639		
27	1600	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP sent		
28	1608	A Coy	6 RAR		c/s 12A Loc GR 427660		
29	1630	1 ATF	6 RAR		(VIOLRT HOMEY) VC Pl crossed H/way 15 NE to SW at gr 290628 crossed at 1600H suspect it was c/s 14.		
30	1645	A Coy	6 RAR		c/s 12A Base Loc Close down		
31	1646	6 RAR	C Coy		Lost contact with c/s 33		
32	1710	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 33 Loc GR () Final position for ambush GR 454651		
33	1903	C Coy	6 RAR		Standing patrol GR 448667 c/s 32B		
34	2000	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NTR		
35	2400	6 RAR&	1 ATF		SITREP NTR		

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Period from 130400

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
1	0400	6 RAR&	1 ATF		sitrep NTR		
2	0645	C Coy	6bRAR		c/s 31B ready to move waiting for better light.		
3	00650	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 31B moving now		
4	0712	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 33 Loc GR 450655		
5	0745	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 31B Loc GR 458673		
6	0805	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 33 Back in base loc Closed down		
7	0805	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NTR		
8		C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 33 Back in base Doc c/s 31B GR 458673		
9	0835	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 31B Loc GR 437 472677		
10	0940	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 31B Loc GR XXXXXX 476677		
11	1045	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 31B Loc GR 486677		
12	1135	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 31B Loc GR 485675 Will be remaining in this loc for some time		
13	1203	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NTR		
14	1315	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 31B Loc GR 483672		
15	1355	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 31B Loc GR 472672		
16	1505	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 31B LOC GR 462667		
17	1515	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 41 Moving out now		
18	1610	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 31B Closed down		
19	1625	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 41 Loc GR 458651		
20	1712	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 41 Loc GR 456641		
21	1815	C Coy	6 RAR		Standing patrol 32B Loc GR 447667		
22	1900	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 41 in my Loc		
23	2000	D Coy	6 RAR		Fwd P ^L s report SA fire on a bearing of 28,000 Distance unknown on other side of (SOUTH) LONG PHUOC.	Passed to 1 ATF	

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Period from 132100

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
24	2100	D Coy	6 RAR		Fwd Pls report SA fire from area of HOA LONG bearing 3400mils		
25	2105	D Coy	6 RAR		Firing seems to be coming from 1/83 Arty have tracer coming across our front from E to W.		
26	2106	Aslt Pnt	6 RAR		Firing in the VIC of 1/83 Arty area. we just got some rounds (a couple through the trees in our area)		
27	2107	6 RAR	1 ATF		all reports above of firing reported to 1 ATF TOC. They are checking into it now. will call us back.		
28	2135	1 ATF	6 RAR		Ref reported firing, a RF Coy is shooting at shadows at HOA ?ONG		
29	2345	Switch	6 RAR		C Coyline out. the D to C Coy is also out. No comms with C Coy		
30	2359	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NTR		

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Period from 14 0400 H to H

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
1	0400	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NTR		
2	0750	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 41 In base Lovc in 5 Min	D Coy notified	
3	0755	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 41 In Loc closed down		
4	0800	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NTR		
5	2100	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NTR		
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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
1	1058	A Coy	6 RAR		Moving from base loc.		
2	1122	Bn HQ	6 RAR		Bn HQ moving		
3	1140	C Coy	6 RAR		Moving from base loc.		
4	1243	A Coy	6 RAR		Loc 100 metres south of planned loc.		
5 4	1305	B Coy	6 RAR		Moving out.		
6	1315	D Coy	6 RAR		In possion.		
7	1320	A Coy	6 RAR		Strenght state - 14.		
8	1320	B Coy	6 RAR		Strenght state - 9.		
9	1320	C Coy	6 RAR		Strenght state - 22.		
10	1320	D Coy	6 RAR		Strenght state + 21.		
11	1320	Bn HQ	6 RAR		Strenght state - 21.		
12	1407	6 RAR			Possum not available for shelldrake task.		
13	1415	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP 4 sent.		
14	1500	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP 5 sent.		
15	1502	1 ATF	6 RAR		There will be no Liaison Officer with you from the Parachute.		
16	1600	6 RAR c	1 ATF		SITREP 6 sent.		
17	1601	1 ATF	6 RAR		Possum now refueling at Eagle Farm. He is to be instructed to go via sector to pick up a Liaison Officer who is waiting. His next task is to continue registering targets with Coy OPOs.		
18	1603	B Coy	6 RAR		My patrol tonight will be 6 Pl who will be at GR 275668. Time out will be 1730 hrs. Time in will be 0730 hrs.		
19	1620	C Coy	6 RAR		We have a soldier who has a temperature of 104.4. Request medavac. Possum requested to be airborne ASP to attend. Base told to have an ambulance ready for a time to be notified.		
20	1725	D Coy	6 RAR		12 platoon loc GR 330620. Remainder of D Coy ; GR 338614.		
21	1730	B Coy	6 RAR		6 platoon moving out now.		

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Period from

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Sheet No 1

Serial	Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
1	0230	101 Bty	6 RAR		Report movement to their front. On placing safety catches to off position movement ceased. Range 25 metres. Estimated one man.		
2	0315	Aslt Pnr	6 RAR		Pnrs report nothing heard except barking of a deer from suspected area of movement.		
3	0400	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP No 4 sent.		
4	0500	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP No 5 sent.		
5	0600	6 RAR	1 A TF		SITREP No 6 sent.		
6	0700	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP No 7 sent.		
7	0700	B Coy	6 RAR		Standing patrol back in.		
8	0705	B Coy	6 RAR		4 and 5 platoon moving on task now.		
9	0730	D Coy	6 RAR		Strength 107.		
10	0730	C Coy	6 RAR		8 platoon returned to Coy loc .		
11	0800	C Coy	6 RAR		8 and 9 platoon leaving now.		
12	0805	B Coy	6 RAR		4 platoon leaving Coy loc now.		
13	0810	D Coy	6 RAR		Atk Pl clearing on foot around NORTH boundry. 12 Pl road clearing All other callsigns close patrolling Coy area. Request OK to carry out A/TK RANGE PRACTICE YS 3362 Permission given		
14	0820	B Coy	6 RAR		Road clearing patrols 5 Pl and 6 Pl are back in Coy loc.		
15	0850	C Coy	6 RAR		8 Platoon loc GR 295614		
16	0850	C Coy	6 RAR		9 Platoon loc GR291627		
17	0855	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy loc GR 254682.		
18	0900	C Coy	6 RAR		9 Platoon loc GR 286632.		
19	0905	Atk Pl	6 RAR		Loc GR 341619		
20	0920	C Coy	6 RAR		8 Platoon loc GR 303612.		

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Serial	Date Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
1	0930	ATK PL.	6 R.A.R.		Loc G.R. 336621		
2	0940	A Coy	6 R.A.R.		Patrol activities. Route from Coy loc to GR 260736, then to ford at GR 272447 then along the creek to the road and back to Coy loc.		
3	0950	B Coy	6 RAR		4 Pl GR 258677 Has located 5 sampans. Have not been used for a long time. No equipment on sampans.		
4	1000	ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 10 sent.		
5	1005	D Coy	6 RAR		Tango 3 tracks are pretty badly bogged down and my trucks have gone to their assistance. There is now a requirement for tracks to either take over c/s 4 tracks escort duty or to assist c/s 3 tracks.		
6	1010	1 ATF	6 RAR		Ref 5 sampans found destroy. (Passed to 4s2)		
7	1015	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstat 8 Pl GR 305611 Locstat 9 Pl GR 295637 8 Pl is moving back to protect bogged tracks.		
8	10X20	LIAISON OFFICER	6 RAR				
8	10X20	Possum 5	6 RAR		Have Liaison Officer from Hoa Long for you, will then continue on Artillery task.		
9	1025	C Coy	6 RAR		C/S 32 is now with the bogged tracks and will remain there as protection until they are operative again.		
10	1040	B Coy	6 RAR		When troops commenced to destroy the sampans locals got agitated although ARVN troops in the area did nothing. Should we continue the destruction. Told to stop and make further enquiries into the matter.		
11	1042	6B C Coy	6 RAR		C/S 32 no change in Locstat. C/s 33 Locstat GR 290630		
12	1050	B Coy	6 RAR		English speaking local has affirmed that these sampans belong to friendly personal. Do not destroy.		
13	1055	D Coy	6 RAR		Locstat Atk /Pl GR 329 622		

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Period from 1511102 H to

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
14	1102	Base	6 RAR		Convoy departed this location.		
15	1108	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No.11 sent.		
16	1109	Possum	6 RAR		At this location closing down.		
17	1115	C Coy	6 RAR		B Coy no change in locstat (8 Pl) 9 Pl now back in base location		
18	1200	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 12 sent.		
19	1200	B coy	6 RAR		Locstat 4 Pl. GR 263667		
20	1222	C Coy.	6 RAR		One track has been extracted , the other one is being attended to now.		
21	1235	B Coy	6 RAR		4 Pl Locstat GR 266658		
22	1312	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No.13 sent.		
23	1317	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstats no change.		
24	1326	B Coy	6 RAR		Locstats 4 Pl GR 275635.		
25	1329	B Coy	6 RAR		Activities night 15/16 December. (a) Ambush patrol. 5 pl location GR 283665 (Track and creek junction.) Time out 151730 Time in 160715 (b) Road clearing patrols -as for today (0700- 0830) (c) Standinf patrol. 16 Dec 66 4 pl Location GR 273666 Time out 0715 time in 1815 (d) Fighting patrol 6 pl. APC to north boundry then east and north along track on boundry, the south to creek along east boundry SUOI NGOI north of CP area. Move down north bank of creek to road and then return astride the road to this location. Time out 0800 Time in 1600.		
26	1340	A Coy	6 RAR		Ambush patrol night 15/16 1 pl Location 273 227739 Time out 151500 Time in am 16th.		
27	1405	B Coy	6 RAR		Locstat GR 278659		
28	1405	C Coy	6 RAR		8 pl Locstat GR 308 619		

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
29	1415	D Coy	6 RAR		A/tk pl Now returned to D Coy location.		
30	1425 1434	B Coy	6 RAR		4 pl back in B coy location.		
31	1442	C Coy	6 RAR		Sunray CO Returning to your location keeping down low to west of road.		
32	1519	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep sent NTR.		
33	1523	D Coy	6 RAR		Ptl activities 16 December 66 10 pl from 0700 to 1700 Ptl on foot from east to west along track on north boundary. 12 pl from 0700 to 1700 picquet picquet road between east and west boundary. A/tk pl from 0700 to 1700 road clearance between east and west boundary.		
34	1525	C Coy	6 RAR		8 pl Locstat GR 315 625		
35	1615	C Coy	6 RAR		Patrols on 15/16 December. NI 15/16 Standing patrol 7 pl GR 295 627 out 151830 in 160645 H Day 16 December . 7 pl clears sector to SE. Time out 160700 In on completion of convoys. APC Moves with this call sign. 8 pl clears NW of sector Time out 160700 . In on completion of convoys. 9pl Base location . Local patrols.		
36	1630	A Coy	6 RAR		3 plb back in A Coy location.		
37	1645	C Coy	6 RAR		8 pl back in C Coy location.		
38	1720	Possum5	6 RAR		Possum 5 returning to this location via B Coy.		
39	1725	Possum5	6 RAR		Possum 5 to Eagle farm to pick up I.O.		
40	1730	B Coy	6 RAR		5 pl moving out now.		
41	1755	Possum	6 RAR		Possum back in this location now., Closed down.		
42	1800	Possum5	6 RAR		Possum 5 to go home now. Back again tomorrow.		
43	1810	B Coy	6 RAR		6 pl in B Coy location now.		
44	1830	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl Moving now.		
45	1840	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl in position at GR 295 729.		
46	1854	A Coy	6 RAR		1 pl Location for night 231 729 am 16 December to ys 227739.		
47	1900	B Coy	6 RAR		5 pl in location , discovered old en camp will report further in am.		

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
48	1910	B Coy	6 RAR		Possum booking 160900.		
49	1930	D Coy	6 RAR		Small arms fire heard by D Coy. 5,000 m - 4,000 m also heard by C Coy. -1,800 m May be PF.		
50	2005	1 ATF	6 RAR		From sector at 1930 hrs unknown large body of VC at GR 355 628		
51	2100	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep sent.		
52	2200	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep sent.		
53	2300	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep sent.		
54	2400	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep sent.		

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
1	0100	1 AFT	6 RAR		Sitrep sent.		
2	0200	1 AFT	6 RAR		Sitrep sent.		
3	0300	1 Aft	6 RAR		Sitrep sent.		
4	0400	1 AFT	6 RAR		Sitrep sent.		
5	0500	1 AFT	6 RAR		Sitrep sent.		
6 0600	0600	1 AFT	6 RAR		Sitrep sent.		
7	0600	D Coy	6 RAR		Clearnce to fire mortars from D Coy location into squares 3362 and 3262.		
8	0605	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy reports 3 3 -4 rounds small arms fire bearing of 2300 mils Seems to be from foothills towards villiage to South East of C Coy.		
9	0620	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy reports that small arms fire seems to be coming from 303 621 Not directed at C Coy or D Coy Either last night or this morning. Think it may have been directed at LONG CAT.		
10	0625	6 RAR	C, D Coy		C and D Coy activities deffered for 60 minutes.		
11	0635	D Coy	6 RAR		Report from D Coy. that vehicles were using road some 10 or 15 minutes outside timings. Also booked Possum for 0730 hrs for recce. of area where VC were reported last night.		
12	0640	Possum5	6 RAR		Possum 5 this location.		
13	0645	B Coy	6 RAR		5 pl returing to B coy location.		
14	0655	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy booked Possum 10;06hrs for recce.		
15	0715	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl back in C Coy location.		
16	0720	Possum	6 RAR		Possum 5 to D Coy location.		
17	0740	B Coy	6 RAR		5 pl back in B Coy location. 4pl in position GR 273666		
18	0758	D Coy	6 RAR		A/C recce. NTR.		
19	0802	B Coy	6 RAR		Both B Coy road clearing patrols completetd. 6pl moving.		
20	0805	A/Tk	6 RAR		Starting firing firing practice.		

Period from 160820

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21	0820	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstats 7pl GR 292615 8pl GR 290627		
22	0821	B Coy	6 RAR		Camp found by 5 pl last night GR 280664 . 12 pits in defence No OHP One month old.		
23	0822	A Coy	6 RAR		One patrol moving around west edge of clearing in GR 2470. One station patrol clearing road. 1 pl still moving.		
24	0945	C Coy.	6 RAR		Locstat GR 300610. 7 pl		
25	0945	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstat GR 287634 8 pl		
26	0950	C Coy	6 RAR		7pl at GR 300610 at 0950. Apprehended one civillian without I.D. card who was acting suspiciously.		
27	0935	A Coy	6 RAR		1 pl at GR 228739 Found 2 boats some small camps and unloading points.		
28	0945	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl GR 305612 Locstat 8 pl GR 283639		
29	0950	B coy	6 RAR		Locstat 6 pl GR 271694		
30	1015	A Coy	6 RAR		Albatross requested to extract 1 pl.		
31	1020	A/Tk	6 RAR	b	Back in D Coy location.		
32	1020	D Coy	6 RAR		10 pl at GR 340620		
33	1030	A Coy	6 RAR		Extraction to occur at 1150.		
34	1045	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstat 7pl GR 299616		
35	1050	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstat 8 pl GR 287 638		
36	1055	B Coy	6 RAR		Locstat 6 pl GR 260 685.		
37	1110	A/Tk	6 RAR		A.D. in A/Tk Listening post.		
38	1112	A Coy	6 RAR		Extraction completed.		
39	1115	D Coy	6 RAR		Locstat GR. 320 622 10 pl.		
40.	1115	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstat GR 802 621 7 pl.		

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
41	1115	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstat GR 296 636 8 pl.		
42	1150	C Coy	6 RAR		Now in C Coy location. 7pl		
43	1155	C Coy	6 RAR		8 pl now in C Coy location.		
44	1155	D Coy	6 RAR		10 pl now in D Coy location.		
45	1155	C Coy	6 RAR		8 Pl now in C Coy location.		
46	1220	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl to search area GR 289621 OUT 1400 IN 1530.		
47	1400	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl moving now.		
48	1412	B Coy	6 RAR		6 pl back in this location.		
49	1413	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstat 9 pl GR 288621.		
50	1500	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 15 sent.		
51	1518	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstat 9 pl GR 290621		
52	1529	B Coy	6 RAR		6 pl Back in this location.		
53	1540	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl Back in this location.		
54	1645	D Coy	6 RAR		D Coy Patrol activities night 16/17 December. 12 pl Standing patrol GR 338 614 A/Tk Standing patrol GR 340613		
55	1715	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No.17 sent.		
56	1787	C Coy	6 RAR		Standing patrol tonight 9pl will be run at GR 297 625		
57	1730	B Coy	6 RAR		Patrols night 16/17 December (a) 4 pl GR 262665 Time out 161715 In 170730 (b) Road clearing patrols north and south Out 0700 In 0830 (c) Fighting patrol 5pl Totrack south and west from NUI ONG TRINH. Clear tharea as far east as 273 eastng where track turns north and runs N Ambush the track at GR 266683 . Route out from B Coy. Route in from East of ambush to easter boundry then south to this location OUT. 0800 IN 1700		

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
57	1730	B Coy	6 RAR		(d) Standing patrol 6 pl at GR 276666.		
58	1740	A Coy	6 RAR		A Coy patrols night 16/17 December 66. Ambushpatrol 3pl GR 270727. Time out 1630 Time in 0730. Tomorrow morning patrols will clear the road by vehicle and foot. Sometime in the morning a patrol will visit the area of last nights patrol.		
59	1800	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 18 sent.		
60	1815	B Coy	6 RAR		4 pl has now returned to this location.		
61	1818	A Coy	6 RAR		Locstat 3 pl GR 291 686		
62	1832	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl leaving this location now.		
63	1833	D Coy	6 RAR		12 pl and A/Tk pl in position now.		
64	1845	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl in position now.		
65	1836	Possum4	6 RAR		Possum4 leavign for base now.- flicking.		
66	1845	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy Strength state Minus 22 (78)		
67	1910	B Coy	6 RAR		4 pl in position.		
67	1915	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy report fast moving vehicle North to south. D Coy to stop . Aslt Pnr pl moving out		
68	1925	D Coy	6 RAR		Vehicle stopped - Car containing man, woman and 22 yo girl. Occupants have I.D. cards - told to release.		
69	2000	1 ATF	6 RAR		Convoy going south at 0900 hrs 17 Dec .		
70	2020	6 RAR	1 ATF		Night patrols . A Coy Ambush GR 270727 B Coy Ambush GR 262665 C Coy Ambush GR 297625 (Standing) D Coy Standing GR 338614		
71	2100	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 21 sent.		
72	21225	Aslt pnr	6 RAR		Contact 50m to the front . possibly one enemy hit .		
73	2200	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No.22 sent.		

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
74	2309	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 23 sent.		
75	2400	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 24 sent.		

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1	0100	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 1 sent.		
2	0200	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 2 sent.		
3	0300	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 3 sent.		
4	0400	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 4 sent.		
5	0500	1 ATF	6 RARm		Sitrep No. 5 sent.		
6	0600	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 6 sent.		
7	0700	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 7 sent.		
8	0701	B Coy	6 RAR		4 pl moving back now.		
9	0702	C Coy	6 RAR		7 & 9 pls moving now.		
10	0712	B Coy	6 RAR		6 Pl in position.		
11	0715	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl back at my location.		
12	0716	D Coy	6 RAR		A/ Tk pl & 12 pl back at my position.		
13	0725	Sec 1	6 RAR		Small ams fire to the south east some distance away- Not firing in this direction.		
14	0737	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl has returned to this location.		
15	0745	C Coy	6 RAR		Location 7 pl. GR 288638 8 pl GR 307614		
16	0747	B Coy	6 RAR		4 pl has returned to this location.		
17	0800	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 8 sent.		
18	0810	A Coy	6 RAR		All road clearing patrols in.		
19	0810	B Coy	6 RAR		All road clearing patrols in.		
20	0830	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl Loc GR 284624		
21	0830	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl Loc GR 313625		
22	0840	B Coy	6 RAR		5 pl Locstat GR 272621		
23	0840	D Coy	6 RAR		Road clearing patrols all in.		

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
24	0845	C Coy	6 RAR		7pl Loc' GR 290624		
25	0845	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl Loc GR 309 624		
26	0850	6 RAR	1 ATF		CO to leave base by Albattross 0930.		
27	0900	C Coy	6 RAR		Road clearing patrols in standing patrols position.		
28	0910	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 9 sent.		
29	0930	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl location GR 288636 9 pl location GR 295641 9pl a location GR 302622 APC location GR 306 609.		
30	0940	Aslt pnr	6 RAR		ASLT PNR will be blowing a blind to the east of thier position at 1100.		
31	1000	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 10 sent NTR.		
32	1005	B Coy	6 RAR		5 pl location GR 272682.		
33	1055	B Coy	6 RAR		5 pl location GR 273680.		
34	1100	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 11 sent NTR.		
35	1101	C Coy	6 RAR		8 pl is now moving to the southern boundry.		
36	1200	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No.12 sent NTR .		
37	1205	C Coy	6 RAR		7 & 9 pl are returning to this location via routes to the east of thier locations.		
38	1255	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl location GR 296614 One sub unit moving on a parrallal course 500m to thier east.		
39	1258	A Coy	6 RAR		A Coy location GR 222728.		
40	1259	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl now back in this location.		
41	1300	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 13 sent.		
42	1300	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy Patrol activities 171700 to 181700. (a) 3 pl ambush at GR 265638. Time out 171800 In 180830.		

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
42	1300	B Coy	6 RAR		<p>264674</p> <p>(a) Route - APC to GR 271682 then northeast to GR 271682. Ambush the track in this vicinity. Route in - East to eastern boundry then south down boundry then west to strike the road 400m south of AP ONG TRINH DP then to base.</p> <p>(b) Road clearing patrols. North and south 0700 0830 hrs.</p> <p>(c) Standing patrols - 4 pl location GR 275667.</p> <p>(d) Fighting patrol - 5 pl Time in 180815 Time In 181600. Route out: APC to GR263673 then west to SXNN SUOI BA SINH to creek at GR 272642 Then northeast to route 15 and return to base.</p>		
43	1320	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl Location GR 295616.		
44	1345	C Coy	6 RAR		9pl No change.		
45	1400	1 ATF	6RAR		Sitrep No.14 NTR.		
46	1420	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl has now returned .		
47	1430	D Coy	6 RAR		<p>D Coy Patrol activities Night 17/17 December.</p> <p>10 pl located GR 339614.</p> <p>12 pl Located GR 337610 Tommorrow.</p> <p>18th December from Q -12 to Q Hour</p> <p>A/Tk pl GR 346633</p> <p>APC 10 pl & 12 pl clear and picquetas follows.</p> <p>10 pl GR 349613</p> <p>10 pla GR 334610</p> <p>12 pl GR 325614</p> <p>APC 2 GR 308611.</p>		
48	1455	B Coy	6 RAR		5 pl apprehended five people. Two , a man and a woman have papers which are out of date. Age 60 36. Woodcutters. Have been to east . Told to release.		
49	1520	A Coy	6 RAR		2 pl in position . Have built plattforms in case of tide.		
50	1520	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No.15 sent NTR.		

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
51	1535	B Coy	6 RAR		Locstat 5. pl GR 271674.		
52	1600	D Coy	6 RAR		12 pl now in D Coy location.		
53	1615	B Coy	6 RAR		5pl now in B Coy location.		
54	1615	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No 16 sent NTR.		
55	1625	D Coy	6 RAR		10 pl and APC moving out on road . Clearing road for approx 1 hr.		
56	1630	1 ATF	6 RAR		No activities tomorrow,		
57	1640	C Coy	6 RAR		8 pl Night standing patrol GR 296625.		
58	1705	A Coy	6 RAR		2 pl OK for extraction after 0930 .TF notified . Time to be confirmed with TF at 0800.		
59	1705	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 17 sent. NTR.		
60	1750	D Coy	6 RAR		10 pl and APC back in D Coy location.		
61	1750	D Coy	6 RAR		A local has been reported to them that there is a body of local lying on the road. Reputedly shot by an Australian. D Coy investigating at GR		
62	1800	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy moving now.		
63	1800	A Coy	6 RAR		Activities 18th December. 1 pl has searched two grid squares. Squares south of A Coy location.		
64	1815	1 ATF	6 RAR		Examine trails leading from Hwy.15 to the HAT DUH area PHOUC HOA PHOUC TUY.		
65	1830	C Coy	6 RAR		8 pl Moving now.		
66	1840	C Coy	6 RAR		8 pl In position.		
67	1842	Aslt Pnr.	6 RAR		Moving out.		
68	1900	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep no. 19, sent. NTR.		
69	1900	Aslt Pnr	6 RAR		Aslt Pnr in position at GR 277651.		
70	2000	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 20 sent.		

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
71	2015	1 ATF	6 RAR		Agent report at 171600 hrs . Large number of VC sighted at ys 460750. They have been sweating and appear to have been running from the direction of an air strike east of this position this morning.		
72	2100	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep no 21 sent. NTR.		
73	2200	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 22 sent. NTR.		
74	2202	1 ATF	6 RAR		At ys 517535 100 rounds of 81mm mortar were recieved at 1850 hrs. The VC were were seen assembling for the attack however, due to both Australian and local artillery the enemy were broken up in the assembly area. the enemy withdrew east their route being being heavily engaged by artillery and Naval gunfire . Flare ships also assisted. There were no friendly troop casualties and it is not known if ther were any civillian casualties casualties.		
75	2300	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 23 sent. NTR.		
76	2400	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No 24 sent. NTR.		

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1	0100	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitreop No. 1 sent NTR.		
2	0200	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitreop No. 2 sent NTR.		
3	0300	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitreop No. 3 sent NTR.		
4	0400	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitreop No. 4 sent NTR.		
5	0500	1 AFT	6 RAR		Sitreop No. 5 sent NTR.		
6	0600	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitreop No. 6 sent NTR.		
7	0602	1 ATF	6 RAR		That there is a report of a road block of wood and dirt at ys 350611. D Coy denies knowledge of this but will investigate.		
8	0625	6 RAR	Coys		Informing them that there will be no road movement today.		
9	0636	C Coy	6 RAR		Changes in my patrols will now be at Q - 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ (0830) and there duties will be reversed. i.e. they will search their eastern boundaries first.		
10	0645	C Coy	6 RAR		8 pl back in C Coy location now.		
11	0650	Albatross	6 RAR		Albatross 25 reports there is a pile of sand on the road at GR 353612 on the west side of the bridge and on the bend at GR 349611. There is a pile of vegetation on the road which appears to be joined by a solid object. on the south side of the road.		
12	0652	Aslt Pnr	6 RAR		Aslt Pnr moving back.		
13	0700	Aslt Pnr	6 RAR		Aslt Pnr back in location.		
14	0700	B Coy	6 RAR		6 pl moving back now.		
15	0704	Albatross	6 RAR		Here at 0706. Has 5 passengers for I 4 and can carry 5 out.		
16	0704	Albatross	6 RAR		Albatross reports no road road block to the north of 6 RAR. an civilian traffic is starting to move south through PHU MY.		
17	0715	D Coy	6 RAR		D Coy with APC leaving D Coy location now.		

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18	0715	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No..7 sent.		
19	0725	Albatross	6 RAR		Albatross reports another road block at GR 345612. Probably only old 5 RAR road block.		
20	0730	D Coy	6 RAR		Token road block at GR 350611 . Consists of some brush and a long bamboo pole. There is now a pile up of traffic from the north. Locals are clearing the road block.		
21	0740	C Coy	6 RAR		Two APC to go to D Coy location where an APC is bogged.		
22	0750	B Coy	6 RAR		4 pl in position at GR. 275m667.		
23	0750	A Coy	6 RAR		Patrol out 1000. From A Coy to the South East to A Coy. south boundry.		
24	0800	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy road clearing patrols are back.		
25	0800	D Coy	6 RAR		D Coy reports road blocks cleared. Piquets will not go into position today. Patrols planned will leave now. Some leaflets were found and are available to be picked up.		
26	0815	B Coy	6 RAR		6 pl now back in B Coy location.		
27	0820	D Coy	6 RAR		D Coy Strength state 100.		
28	0819	B Coy	6 RAR		5 pl moving out.		
29	0830	A Coy	6 RAR		2 pl loc GR 223728. Ready for extraction at 0900. Location to be advised.		
30	0900	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 9 sent NTR.		
31	0910	Aslt Pnr	6 RAR		There will be a patrol going out along the creek south west across the outer side of the road from BHQ. Time out 1000 Time in by 1200.		
32	0915	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy locstats: 8 pl GR 302629 9 pl GR 300633		
33	0926	B Coy	6 RAR		Locstat 5 pl GR355674		

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Serial	Date/ Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
34	0930	B Coy	6 RAR		A bus just killed a civilian in the village to our immediate north. Shots were fired to stop the bus, which it did. No further action required from this unit.		
35	0947	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstats : 8pl GR 308630 9pl GR 292638		
36	0948	Aslt Pnr	6 RAR		Leaving your location now.		
37	0958	B Coy	6 RAR		Sunray B Coy is going to visit the village to the north to investigate the incident recorded at 0930 hrs. He will then visit BHQ.		
38	1000	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 10. sent . NTR.		
39	1002	D Coy	6 RAR		Locstats: D Coy and 10 pl - no change APC still moving along road A/Tk pl at GR 346630.		
40	1011	A Coy	6 RAR		Confirmed that 2 pl has been extracted.		
41	1012	D Coy	6 RAR		APC have apprehended a 16 year old boy without an I.D. card Will take him to BARIA .		
42	1015	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstats : 8 pl GR 313626 9 pl GR 285645		
43	1025	Aslt Pnr	6 RAR		Returning to your location now.		
44	1040	Aslt Pnr	6 RAR		Back in your location now.		
45	0947	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstats : 8 pl GR 318623 9 pl GR 282640		
46	0949	D Coy	6 RAR		Sunray and starlight leaving now for C Coy.		
47	0955	B Coy	6 RAR		Locstat : 5 pl GR 259664.		
48	0956	B Coy	6 RAR		Sunray reports a PF force of 30 men permanently stationed in AP ONG TRINH DP.		
49	1000	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 10 sent NTR.		

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
50	1037	Aslt Pnr	6 RAR		Aslt Pnr back in location.		
51	1043	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstats : 8 pl GR 318623 9 pl GR 2825640		
52	1055	B Coy	6 RAR		Locstats : 5 pl GR 259664		
53	1115	D Coy	6 RAR		Interpreter and delegation from Task force now in D Coy Loc.		
54	1116	C Coy	6 RAR		Contact 'pl.		
55	1130	C Coy	6 RAR		8 pl contact with 2 VC no casualties either side. Enemy withdrew South west.		
56	1130	C Coy	6 RAR		9pl back in base location.		
57	1135	C Coy	6 RAR		9pl Location of contact. GR 319626.		
58	1150	B Coy	6 RAR		5 pl location GR 263650. Route ammended to southwest extremity then north to creek and follow it along the north bank to GR 277660 West to road and back to B coy.		
59	1230	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 12 sent.		
60	1230	C Coy	6 RAR		7pl and APC moving to blocking position at GR 306160. 8pl sweeping south south west to that location in an attempt to follow up the contact.		
61	1235	C Coy	6 RAR		Two shots fired into Coy from south west.		
62	1240	C Coy	6 RAR		Burst of machine gun fire from a bearing of 3200 μ into C Coy area. 7pl to check out on way back from GR 307 610.		
63	1245	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstats : 7pl and APC GR 304 614 8pl GR 311614.		
64	1250	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy to . The traffic from the east has stopped in the village AP LONG. 7 pl approaching.		
65	1300	B Coy	6 RAR		Locstats : 5 pl GR 272650.		
66	1305	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstats : 7 pl GR 500m south of Company conducting sweep.		

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Serial	Date/Time	From.	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
67	1315	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep. No. 13 sent NTR.		
68	1320	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl moving back to C Coy location.		
69	1320	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstat : 8 pl GR 303615.		
70	1330	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy patrol activities 18-19 December (a) Fighting patrol - 4 pl. Ambush creek at GR 275676. Route out : north east to ambush area from B Coy location. Route in : Parrallel to creek /track to GR 270680 then south west to Buddist Pagoda. at GR 263673. Meet APC at this location at 0800 hrs. Time out : 1700 hrs Time In ; 0815 hrs. (b) Standing patrol -6pl at GR 276660. (c) Road clearing patrols- by foot and with APC. 0700 to 0830. (d) Fighting patrol to be advised.		
71	1350	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstat : 8 pl at GR 306610.		
72	1400	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No.14 sent NTR.		
73	1400	D Coy	6 RAR		D Coy activities 18/19 December. 66 12 pl and APC road clearance patrols 1600 to 1830. 10 pl Patrol to Northeast and then GR 350613 A/Tk pl Standing patrol at GR 337616 12 pl standing patrol at GR 336610. 19th December.66 10 pl 0700hrs to GR 354610 then to GR 337630 then to GR 336626 12 pl clear and piquet the road at GR 350613 and at GR 332613. A/Tk pl and APC road clearance and piquetat GR 310612 and GR 325612		
74	1420	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstats : 8 pl at GR 298613 9 pl at GR 294627		
75	1432	C Coy	6 RAR		9pl Back in C Coy location.		
76	1454	C Coy	6 RAR		Aslt Pnr 1 section to return to base tomorrow.		
77	1515	Aslt/pnr	6 RAR		Aslt Pnr at GR 345615.		
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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
78	1600	C Coy	6 RAR		8 pl at GR 300627 found some spent .30 calibre cases. This is where it was estimated the firing came from the other night.		
79	1600	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitreo No 16 sent NTR.		
80	1615	A Coy	6 RAR		1 pl now in A Coy location.		
81	1645	D Coy	6 RAR		Aslt Pnr now in A Coy times location. 12 pl and APC leaving to clear the road.		
82	1700	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 17 sent NTR.		
83	1705	B Coy	6 RAR		4 pl moving out now .		
84	1805	B Coy	6 RAR		4 pl moving back.		
85	1815	B Coy	6 RAR		5 pl back in location.		
86	1815	B Coy	6 RAR		11 Standing patrol in base . 4 pl detained three people One middle aged woman had no I.D. card but appeared genuine and was released.		
87	1830	B Coy	6 RAR		5 pl found two .30 spent cases immediately to the north of B Coy location. They were not there two days ago.		
88	1850	Aslt Pnr	6 RAR		Moving out now.		
89	1900	Aslt Pnr	6 RAR		In location at GR 277651.		
90	1902	B Coy	6 RAR		4 pl in position 300m west of location intended.		
91	1905	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy Patrol activities 19 December. 6 pl Time out 0800 Time in 1700. Route out.; Move out to creek road junction. at GR 263677 Then to search upstream to GR 281704. Layup at the creek fork. Route In.: To east boundry then south to creek at GR 273680 Check stream to its source at GR 280682 then return southwest and to this location.		
92	1930	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No.19. NTR.		

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
93	1930	A Coy	6 RAR		<p>A Coy activities 19th December. Standing patrol night 18/19 at GR 259731. 3 pl Time out 0830 Route : From A Coy location to GR 276720 272722 and then along south to 276720 and then along feature to A Coy location. 3 pl Time out 1330. Route : From A Coy location to GR 236715 then south to GR 235690 then back to A Coy location. * Clearance denied by 1ATF . 3pl to move no further east than the 27th easting.</p>		
94	2037	Aslt Pnr	6 RAR		Sentry heard movement to the east , challenged movement did not stop so fired.		
95	2200	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 22 sent NTR.		
96	2210	Sec 1	6 RAR		Reports tracer rounds being fired into the air although no sound of shooting was heard. Distance not known . No bearings given, no compass. Thought to be from the west.		
97	2300	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 23 sent NTR.		
98	2400	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 24 sent NTR.		

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1	0100	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No.1 sent NTR.		
2	0200	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No.2 sent NTR.		
3	0300	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No.3 sent NTR.		
4	0400	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No.4 sent NTR.		
5	0500	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No.5 sent NTR.		
6	0600	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No.6 sent NTR.		
7	0640	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy patrol back in location.		
8	0645	Aslt Pnr	6 RAR		In location.		
9	0655	B Coy	6 RAR		Moving to RV now.		
19	0700	C Coy	6 RAR		7 & 8 pls moving now.		
20	0700	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No.7 sent NTR.		
21	0714	D Coy	6 RAR		APC and D Coy moving now.		
22	0730	D Coy	6 RAR		12 pl Moving out now.		
23	0735	A Coy 5RAR	6 RAR		Standing patrol moving out.		
24	0740	B Coy	6 RAR		4 pl now in B coy location.		
25	0741	Aslt Pnr.	6 RAR		Moving out now.		
26	0744	B Coy	6 RAR		6 pl in position.		
27	0745	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl location GR 306 611 8 pl location GR 284 644		
28	0750	A Coy 5RAR	6 RAR		Standing patrol in position.		
29	0805	B Coy	6 RAR		6 pl now in B Coy location.		
30	0805	D Coy	6 RAR		D Coy has 7 members to return to base today.		
31.	0806	B Coy	6 RAR		Road clearing patrols completed.		
32	0809	D Coy	6 RAR		All call signs in position.		
33	0814	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstats 7 pl GR 300612 8 pl no change.		

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34	0815	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No.. 8 sent NTR.		
35	0837	A Coy	6 RAR		Road clearing complete. Piquets out.		
36	0840	B Coy	6 RAR		Locstat 6pl GR 264682		
37	0845	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstat 7 pl GR 293621 8 pl no change.		
38	0905	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 9 sent NTR.		
39	0950	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstat 7 pl GR 295644 8 pl 283645		
40	0954	B coy	6 RAR		6 pl Locstat GR 264 689		
41	0955	B Coy	6 RAR		All piquets in position.		
42	0955	C Coy	6 RAR		All piquets in position.		
43	1001	D Coy	6 RAR		Movement completed through my area.		
44	1005	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 10 sent NTR.		
45	1021	A Coy	6 RAR		Locstat 3 pl GR 259728		
46	1022	C Coy	6 RAR		My piquets will patrol in thier present location.		
47	1105	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 11 NTR.		
48	1117	B Coy	6 RAR		6 pl location GR 267693		
49	1120	1 ATF	6 RAR		CO to visit C Coy today. pm.		
50	1125	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl out Q - 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ through GRs 240713, 233714, 240703 Then on the road and return to base Coy location.		
51.	1150	A Coy	6 RAR		2 pl location GR 265729		
52	1210	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy piquet has found a mine and a grenade at GR 263677 The mine is only suspected. The grenade is definately live but the grenade is live has no apparent triggering device.		
53	1234	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl location GR 269729		
54	1314	A Coy	6 RAR 9		3 pl location GR 244726		

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55	1330	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl location GR 270727.		
56	1342	A Coy	6 RAR		Have apprehended 4 woodcutters. I.D. cards are up to date and in order. Have let go and we are continueing.		
57	1539	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl location GR 241 719		
58	1400	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No.14 sent NTR.		
59	1407	C Coy	6 RAR		6 pl location at GR 271684		
60	1435	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl location at GR 254723		
61,	1440	B Coy	6 RAR		6 pl location at GR 277679		
62	1455	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl location at GR 253723		
63	1500	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl now in A Coy location.		
64	1500	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 15 sent NTR.		
65	1515	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl location at GR 237714		
66	1523	A Coy	6 RAR		Leading elements entering A Coy.		
67	1535	B Coy	6 RAR		6 pl location at GR 272664.		
68	1600	1 ATF	6 RAR		To D Coy. There is no restriction on the movements of civilians during daylight hours.		
69	1601	B Coy	6 RAR		6 pl back in B Coy location.		
70.	1605	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy activities Night 18/ 19 December. and 20th. 5 pl ambush patrol at GR 275668 Time out 191745 Time in 200700. Route out : North north east direct to ambush sight. Route in south west to road at GR270665 and then back to B Coy location. 6 pl and piqueting and close patrolling of road to north of B Coy location. 4 pl piqueting and close patrolling of road south of B Coy location. Road clearing patrols with ABC 0700 hrs to 0800 hrs.		

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71	1605	A Coy 5RAR	6 RAR		A Coy 5 RAR activities night 19/20 and day 20th. 1 pl standing GR 279651. Time out 191830 Time in 200700 2 pl standing payroll GR 283652. Time out 200700 Time in 201830.		
72	1627	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl now back in this location.		
73	1627	A Coy	6 RAR		2 pl now back in this location.		
74	1638	D Coy	6 RAR		D Coy activities for tonight. 10 pl at GR 334615 12 pl at GR 335610 A / Tk at GR 342614. Time out for all 1930		
75	1647	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl location at GR 295622		
76	1650	C Coy	6 RAR		8 pl and APC are in my location now.		
77	1654	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl back in this location now.		
78	1725	A Coy	6 RAR		1 pl ambush tonight at GR 259730		
79	1737	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl standing patrol at GR 295626		
80	1800	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep no. 18 sent NTR.		
81	1816	B Coy	6 RAR		6 pl back in location.		
82	1819 1900	B Coy	6 RAR		5 pl in position.		
83	1904	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl in position.		
84	1910	1 ATF	6 RAR		Traffic to commence tomorrow at 0830		
85	1930	6 RAR	All Coys.		A Coy to search and destroy VC installation at 285709. B Coy examine area at GR 289666. Also to examine main creek line in BCoy area. Creek to the North west of that. C Coy. Investigate the main creek lines. i.e. The northern boundary and one in the centre of C Coy.		
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86	2000	1 ATF 1 ATF	6 RAR		SAS patrols at locations GR 342728 , 369681 , 345724.		
87	2000	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 20 sent NTR.		

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88	2007	1 ATF	6 RAR		40 VC at GR 273630.		
89.	2105	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 21 sent NTR.		
90	2200	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 22 sent NTR.		
91	2300	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 23 sent NTR.		
92	2400	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 24 sent NTR.		

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
1	0100	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 1 sent NTR.		
2	0200	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 2 sent NTR.		
3	0300	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 3 sent NTR.		
4	0330	D Coy	6 RAR		A/ Tk pl has reported enemy movement approx. 10 enemy are approaching our location from the north west. At the moment we are on 100% stand to. They are 300m away. Arty and mortars asked to lay on in preparation.		
5	0400	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 4 sent NTR.		
6	0500	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 5 sent NTR.		
7	0600	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No 6 sent NTR.		
8	0643	B Coy	6 RAR		5 pl moving back in.		
9	0644	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl now in my location.		
10	0644	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl moving now.		
11	0656	B Coy	6 RAR		5 pl in my location.		
12	0659	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl moving no.		
13	0700	C Coy	6 RAR		APC moving now.		
14	0702	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No 7 sent NTR.		
15	0728	D Coy	6 RAR		All call signs moving now.		
16	0732	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl and APC Location at GR 311635.		
17	0743	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl location at GR 278638.		
18	0805	D Coy	6 RAR		All call signs in position now.		
19	0808	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 8 sent NTR.		
20	0830	B Coy	6 RAR		4 pl and APC at GR 280645.		
21	0841	B Coy	6 RAR		6 pl location at GR 254687.		
22	0843	B Coy	6 RAR		6 pl and APC location at GR 264674.		

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
23	0845	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstats 7 pl, 9pl, and APC at GR 285639 310620 305611.		
24	0850	D Coy	6 RAR		Friendly force in this location now.		
25	0855	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstat 9 pl at GR 302612 APC Moving to 292617.		
26	0900	A Coy	6 RAR		Road clearance completed.		
27	0901	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 9 sent NTR.		
28	0915	A Coy	6 RAR		1 pl at location GR 265731.		
29	0943	A Coy	6 RAR		1 pl location at GR 265722.		
30	1000	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 10 sent NTR.		
31	1007	B Coy	6 RAR		Locstats 6 pl and APC at GR 254687. 4 pl no change.		
32	1010	D Coy	6 RAR		Locstat 12 pl at GR 335630.		
33	1017	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstats No change.		
34	1024	A Coy	6 RAR		Locstat 1 pl at GR 271714.		
35	1035	B Coy	6 RAR		6 pl has detained some civilians with out I.D. cards west of their location. Are investigating.		
36	1040	A Coy	6 RAR		Locstat 1 pl at GR 267709.		
37	1100	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 11 sent NTR.		
38	1116	B Coy	6 RAR		Ref civilian picked up by B Coy . Cleared by village headman They are being issued with new I.D. cards.		
39	1116	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstats No change local patrolling continues.		
40	1124	D Coy	6 RAR		Locstat 12 pl at GR 338632.		
41	1205	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 12 sent NTR.		
42	1207	D Coy	6 RAR		Locstat 12 pl at GR 336636 10 pl at GR 33607 336607.		
43	1303	Aslt Pnr.	6 RAR		Moving now.		

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
44	1303	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No 13 sent NTR.		
45	1307	B Coy	6 RAR		6 pl and APC are AT GR264674. Others no change.		
46	1400	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 14 sent NTR.		
47	1440	Aslt Pnr	6 RAR		Location at GR 271656		
48	1445	D Coy	6 RAR		Locstat 12 pl at GR 338635 Saw movement on other side of the creek but now think it was possibly monkeys.		
49	1500	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No.15 sent NTR.		
50 v	1509	B Coy	6 RAR		Unidentified patrol arrived on our left flank . It was Aslt Pnr. Advise in future if coming.		
51	1524	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy patrol activities night 20/ 21 December. (a) Fighting patrol 4 pl ambush creek at GR 279663v Out 1745 hrs In 0715 . Route out.: East to stream then upstream to ambush aera Route n: West to road then south to this xx location. (b) Road clearing patrols with APC 0700 0830 (c) Fighting patrol 6 pl South to creek at GR 270648 Then north east up creek to its source at GR 298697 Then return down stream to GR 294680 then southwest to this location.		
52	1532	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstat 7 pl at GR 290629 9 pl at GR 260643		
53	1540	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl locat on at ER xxxx . GR 294620.		
54	1600	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl back in this location.		
55 56	1601	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 16 sent NTR.		
57	1610	D Coy	6 RAR		12 pl back in this location NTR.		
58	1612	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl back in this location.		
59	1725	BHQ	6 RAR		BHQ patrol activities 21 December. (Aslt Pnr) Time out 0830 Time in 1330. Route out through B Coy to GR 289676 Route In southwest to BHQ.		

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
60	1755	D Coy	6 RAR		D Coy recieved information from children that there are VC in the village near D Coy location ApPhu Hai.		
61	1800	A Coy	6 RAR		<p>A Coy patrol acitivities night 20/ 21 December.</p> <p>3pl standing patrol at GR 252730</p> <p>3 pl standing patrol st GR 257730</p> <p>Time out 1800 Time in 0700</p> <p>A Coy 5 RAR patrol activites Night 20 /21 December.</p> <p>1 pl standing patrol at GR 279651</p> <p>A Coy 6 RAR patrol exit activities 21 December.</p> <p>2 pl fighting patrol strength 10.</p> <p>Time out 21 0800 Time in 21 Route out ; A Coy location to GR 260 740 to bridge at GR 254744</p> <p>2pl fighting patrol strength 10</p> <p>Time out 21 0800 Route : A Coy location to GR 248732 to GR 250742 to GR 254743,</p> <p>3 pl fighting patrol strength 10. Time out 211400</p> <p>Route : Coy location to GR 253718 to GR 248729 to GR 253718 to GR 248715 to GR 254709.</p> <p>Road clearance on foot and in vehicle beginning 0700hrs.</p> <p>Road piquets deployed at approx 0830 hrs.</p>		
62	1800	C Coy	6 RAR		<p>C Coy patrol activities night 20/21 December.</p> <p>8pl standing patrol at GR 296625.</p>		
63	2005	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No.20 sent NTR.		
64	2049	D Coy	6 RAR		155mm flares exploding over us . One which failed to go of has started fire about 200m away south of road.		
65	2053	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sector report VC attempting to blow up bridge at GR 355613 (D Coy told to report anything seen or heard.		
66	2057	D Coy	6 RAR		1 ATF given ref illum landing near D Coy.		
67	2104	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No 21 sent NTR.		
68	2106	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sector reorts small arms fire at GR 360620 hill feature D Coy reports small arms fire at 1800 mils 2000m passed to 1 ATF		

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69	2114	1 ATF	6 RAR		Call has been made for flare ship which may operate over our area.		
70	2116	D Coy	6 RAR		Sporadic small arms fire and M79 fire from GR 360610.		
71	2117	D Coy	6 RAR		Heavy sustained M6 fire from GR 360610 East to West and going south of us.		
72	2120	1 ATF	6 RAR		Bridge at GR 354613 You may have to send tracks and a platoon to speak to ARVN.		
73 ^m	2122	B Coy	6 RAR		Suspected movement 15 minutes ago on north side of perimeter we pulled a trip flare and saw a person go to ground.		
74	2130	1 ATF	6 RAR		ARVN will withdraw from bridge to village leaving APC's and advisers at bridge. D Coy not to go closer than 500m to the bridge till comms with advisers is established. Move ASP (Request C Coy assist with tracks C Coy informed.		
75	2144	1 ATF	6 RAR		Small party of PF holding bridge at 350 easting D Coy advised.		
76	2153	C Coy	6 RAR		Tracks moving now.		
77	2159	D Coy	6 RAR		Contacted friendlies - awaiting C Coy now.		
78	2215	1 ATF	6 RAR		D Coy made contact with us at 354613. Adviser states VC had attempted to blow up bridge earlier but had been forced to withdraw by PF. Comd 1 ATF ordered operation terminated D Coy to return to location. Check to be made first thing in the morning.		
79	2230	D Coy	6 RAR		D Coy back in base. C Coy returning to C Coy.		
80	2245	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy returned.		
81	2305	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No 23 sent NTR.		
82	2400	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 24 sent NTR.		

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1	0100	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 1 sent NTR.		
2	0200	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 2 sent NTR.		
3	0300	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 3 sent NTR.		
4	0400	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No 4 sent NTR.		
5	0500	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 5 sent NTR.		
6	0600	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sitrep No. 6 sent NTR.		
7	0617	D Coy	6 RAR		There is a lot of traffic from east to west indicating that bridges are all OK . However there has just been a large explosion from the detection of the area of the contact last night. Will investigate when it gets light.		
8	0627	D Coy	6 RAR		Traffic still flowing so bridge must be OK . Have you heard any reports about explosion and small arms fire a few minutes ago I also request some pioneers with mine detectors to check the road verges in this area.		
9	0630	6 RAR	D Coy		Elements of Pioneers will be with you in about 30 minutes,		
10	0647	C Coy	6 RAR		8 pl now back in this location.		
11	0700	6 RAR	1 ATF		D Coy reported an explosion from area last night . Sector reports that it was a bangalore torpedo exploded near Boat Company but no damage. Using elements of Pioneers to check edges of roads east of here for mines.		
12	0701	7 & 8 pl's C Coy	6 RAR		7 & 8 pl's moving now.		
13	0712	B Coy	6 RAR		4 pl moving now.		
14	0725	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstat 8 pl at GR 292621. 9 pl at GR 290627.		
15	0745	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstat 8 pl at GR 303614. 9 pl at GR 287627.		
16	0757	D Coy	6 RAR		I have changed Pioneers and 12 pl around on task their respective tasks.		

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17	0800	B Coy	6 RAR		4 pl and road clearing patrols are now back in.		
18	0801	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.8 sent NTR.		
19	0825	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstats ; 8 pl at GR 302613 9 pl at GR 283611 APC at GR 259614.		
20	0831	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstats ; 9 pl at GR 285641. All call signs now in position.		
21	0835	B Coy	6 RAR		Locstats ; 5 pl at GR 280646.		
22	0900	D Coy	6 RAR		Pioneers have finished task in D Coy and will remain till after the convoy.		
23	0900	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 9 sent NTR.		
24	0900	A Coy	6 RAR		2 pl location at GR 249739.		
25	0900	A Coy	6 RAR		2 pl has returned to A Coy location.		
26	0915	D Coy	6 RAR c		All D Coy piquets in position.		
27	01020	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl and one section . Time out 1300hrs. Route : South down either side of the axis then 500m from the axis to the south boundry.		
28	1104	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 11 sent NTR.		
29	1215	B Coy	6 RAR		4 pl back in this location.		
30	1230	B Coy	6 RAR		Ref serial 4 of B coy forecast. Will be moving in 15 mins on its task . 6 pl to resume piquet duties.		
31	1245	6 RAR	1 ATF		Air opps reports 11 ox carts fully laden heading for from GR 395639 and also a further 6 at GR 395 644		
32	1300	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep no 13 sent NTR.		
33	1325	B Coy	6 RAR		4 pl loc. At. GR280646		
34	1326	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl loc. at GR 249697 one ssection		
35	1340	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl loc. at GR 255724 one section.		

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36	1345	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy patrol activities. Night 21/22 Dec. 6pl standing patrol at GR GR 276662 Time out 21 1800 hrs Time in 22 0700 hrs. Road clearing patrols in APC and on foot.		
37	1400	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl loc at GR 248712.		
38 38	1406	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl loc at GR 256715.		
39	1430	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl loc at GR 249700.		
40	1458	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl loc at GR 256702		
41	1500	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 15 sent NTR.		
42	1510	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl loc at GR 253693.		
43	1530	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl Back in this location.		
44	1532	C Coy	6 RAR		8 & 9 pl's moving back to my location now . APC back in my location.		
45	1538	B Coy	6 RAR		5 pl found large installation with many pits spread over an area of about 300m . It has not been used for about six months. They are still checking it out. GR 289677.		
46	1539	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl back in location.		
47	1356	D Coy	6 RAR		D Coy patrol detail night 22 Dec. 10 & 12 pl's same as today. A/Tk pl similar to today but at GR 42 324626.		
48	1605	C Coy	6 RAR		8 pl and APC in this location. 9 pl at GR 285645.		
49	1606	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.16 sent NTR.		
50	1629	1 ATF	6 RAR		Confirm no troops of yours at GR 357627.		
51	1634	1 ATF	6 RAR		Troops reported are not from sector so must be VC.		
52	1652	1 ATF	6 RAR		Company of VC reported by woodcutters 25 minutes ago at GR 357616 and moving south		
53	1700	B Coy	6 RAR		5 pl back in B Coy location. at GR289677 . There was an enemy camp of 50 pits which had not been used for some months.		

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54	1800	A Coy	6 RAR		A Coy patrol activities night 21/ 22 Dec. 2 pl 200m west standing patrol. Time out 1800. 2 pl 150m east standing patrol. Time out 1800. Day 22nd Dec. 1 pl Route east of the axis. Time out 0830hrs. 1 pl Route west of the axis Time out 0830hrs.		
55	1815	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy location night standing patrol 7 pl at location GR 295627.		
56	1815	B Coy 5RAR	6 RAR		B Coy 5 RAR reported a burst of fire either at or from a helicopter on a bearing of 6,000 m		
57	1830	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy reports two shots heard in the village to the south east of C Coy.		
58	1835	B Coy	6 RAR		6 pl in position at GR 280651.		
59	1935	B Coy	6 RAR		6 pl to patrol within 1,000m of the axis.		
60	2000	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 20 sent NTR.		
61	2100	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.21 sent NTR.		
62	2115	1 ATF	6 RAR		Report from sector no confirmation whatever. of VC BN in mixed GS 3263 . Report was from a civilian who says VC were in mixed dress with some arms. C & D Coy notified.		
63	2125	C Coy	6 RAR		Ref VC in GS 3263 Children gave a similar report to 8 pl. intereter today. It may have some significance although most of the children will point and say there are VC out there.		
64	2200	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.22 sent NTR.		
65	2300	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.23 sent NTR.		
66	2322	D Coy	6 RAR		Shots fired towards south from a position about 500 yards west of my location, apparently from friendly forces. Few scattered shots and two bursts of M 6 fire . Dogs have been barking for 30 minutes in that area.		
67	2400	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.24 sent NTR.		

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1	0100	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No: 1 sent NTR.		
2	0200	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 2 sent NTR.		
3	0300	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 3 sent NTR.		
4	0400	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 4 sent NTR.		
5	0500	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 5 sent NTR.		
6	0600	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No 6 sent NTR.		
7	0700	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 7 sent NTR.		
8	0720	B Coy	6 RAR		6 pl will be relieved as planned but will stay out to Q +2.		
9	0732	C Coy	6 RAR		7 & 8 pl's moving out now.		
10	0740	B Coy	6 RAR		Road clearing patrols complete.		
11	0800	D Coy	6 RAR		All patrols moving now.		
12	0800	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 8 sent NTR.		
13	0806	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstats 7 pl at GR 302615 8pl at GR 290634.		
14	0826	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl loc at GR 305613 8 pl loc at GR 284624 one ssection at GR 285637.		
15	0914	C Coy loc	6 RAR		No change in location. 7pl at GR 306612 Patrolling to north and west.		
16	0920	B Coy	6 RAR		4 pl at GR 282646. 5 pl at GR 264674. one section at GR 253688.		
17	1000	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.10 sent NTR.		
18	1200	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.12 sent NTR.		
19	1256	A Coy	6 RAR		One of my Pl commanders has had a recce of the boats and reports that one of them has been moved about 800m. It will require 2 inssections to completex destruction. Also INT IX reports from 173 Bde says he also reports of three men with two weapons. in that area.		

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20	1305	6 RAR	1 ATF		Timing for boat destruction tasks at 1630. Gunships will be in the aera for the duration of task.		
21.	1307	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 13 sent NTR.		
22	1309	D Coy	6 RAR		Our proposed new location is at GR 330616.		
23	1354	D Coy	6 RAR		Large grass fire at GR 268668 in vicinity if village.		
24	1405	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.14 sent NTR.		
25	1500	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.15 sent NTR.		
26	1600	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.16 sent NTR.		
27	1615	C Coy	6 RAR		8 & 9 pl's Returning to C Coy location. Sunray C Coy to use one APC for recce of new aera.		
28	1615	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy patrol activities night 22/23 December. 6 pl standing patrol at GR 276660 Time out 221815 Time in 230730. Patrol activities 23 Dec. 6 pl Fighting patrol/ Route from B Coy location to stream at GR 276660 then upstream to source in GS 2970 Route in Downstream to GR 295690 then southward down the spur to the track junction at GR 282666 then back to B Coy location.		
29	1625	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy patrols back in base location.		
30	1655	1 ATF	6 RAR		ARVN will be firing on the range till 2200 hrs small arms. Passed to D Coy.		
31.	1801	CoyC	6 RAR		9 pl location at GR 296627.		
32	1802	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.18 sent NTR.		
33	1804	B Coy	6 RAR		6 pl back in location.		
34	1809	D Coy	6 RAR		D Coy patrols same as last night for tonight change 10 pl for A/Tk.		
35	1817	B Coy	6 RAR		6 pl moving now.		
36	1834	B Coy	6 RAR		6 pl in position now.		

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1915 37	1915	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.19 sent NTR.		
38	1950	D Coy	6 RAR		D Coy report a steady light on the hill at GR 348632 Request clearance.		
39	2000	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy report a great deal of movement and noise in the village to the north. C Coy standing to. (Sector confirmed later that this was a friendly force activity.)		
40	2001	D Coy	6 RAR		D Coy report light at GR 348632 went out when engaged with mortars.		
41	2032	C Coy	6 RAR		Nothing further to report Standing down.		
42	2100	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 21 sent NTR.		
43	2200	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.22 sent NTR.		
44	2300	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 23 sent NTR.		
45	2400	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 24 sent NTR.		

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1	0100	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 1 sent NTR.		
2	0200	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 2 sent NTR.		
3	0300	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 3 sent NTR.		
4	0400	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 4 sent NTR.		
5	0500	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 5 sent NTR.		
6	0600	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 6 sent NTR.		
7	0645	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl back in C Coy location.		
8	0700	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 7 sent NTR.		
9	0720	B Coy	6 RAR		6 pl back in B Coy location.		
100	0755	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy road clearing patrols back/		
11	0758	D Coy	6 RAR		All call signs moving now.		
12	0800	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No 8 sent NTR.		
13	0818	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl at GR 286635. 9 pl at GR 315622 7 pl less one section at GR 283635 9 Pl at GR 308614		
14	0900	D Coy	6 RAR		All call signs in position except 10 pl who is still moving;		
15	0900	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 9 sent NTR.		
16	0904	B Coy	6 RAR		5 pl At GR 264674. one section at GR 254686 6 pl atnGR 280646		
17	0905	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl at GR 261720 .		
18	0908	B Coy	6 RAR		6 pl at GR 278664.		
19	0909	D Coy	6 RAR		12 pl, A /Tk , and APC and 10 pl in position.		
20	0917	1 ATF	6 RAR		Move back today by APC TVV and air.		
21	0917	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl location at GR 241722		

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Period from 230922

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
22	0922	6 RAR	B Coy		Hold 6 pl and return him to your location.		
23	0928	B Coy	6 RAR		6 pl Moving back now.		
24	0948	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl location no change. 9 pl at GR 302613		
25	0949	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl heard enemy withdrawing from GR 256717. mounting and will go in after.		
26	1001	C Coy	6 RAR		Section from 9 pl has returned . In 10 mins 9 pl going 600m to the NE.		
27	1004	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 10 sent NTR.		
28	1020	B Coy	6 RAR		6 pl now back in this location.		
29	1024	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl now at GR 237715.		
30	1030	6 RAR	All Coys		Movement times for return to base. A Coy 1330 B Coy 1400 C Coy 1500 D Coy 1530.		
31	1045	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl location at GR 266720.		
32	1101	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep no. 11 sent NTR.		
33	1136	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl now back in location.		
34	1205	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 12 sent NTR.		
35	1207	B Coy	6 RAR		5 pl will be doing a sweep 400m south east of this location. then to north east and time out 1300hrs.		
36	1310	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 13 sent. NTR?		

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Period from 231700

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
1	1700	6 RAR	entry		Log reopened all units in base Loc		
2 X	1711	6 RAR	entry		all tpt section in Loc		
3	1900	6 bRAR	entry		C Coy Patrol c/s 32. A Coy Patrol c/s 11. D Coy Patrol c/s 42		
4	2000	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NTR		
5	2400	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NTR		

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
1	0400	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NTR		
2	0740	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 32 Moving		
3	0746	A Coy	6 RAR		c/s 11 Moving		
4	0800	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NTR. Patrols as per task table		
5	0930	A Coy	6 RAR		c/s 11 Loc GR 456649		
6	0940	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 32 Loc GR 438639		
7	1040	A Coy	6 RAR		c/s 11 Loc GR 455646		
8	1040	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 32 Loc GR 435631		
9	1040	A Coy	6 RAR		c/s 11 tracks skirting the top of rubber plantation has been well used recently		
10	1115	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 32 contact at GR 435630 5 VC Incl 3 Women. one dressed in greens with thompson sub machine gun, carrying new shirts books and food. 1 VC with wpn moved towards our loc and flanking sector opened up still checking results have XXXXXXXX recovered books shirts and food.		
11	1130	A Coy	6 RAR		c/s 11 Loc GR 461645		
12	1134	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 32 No blood trails visible have located one hat and more docs VC scattered and moved N and West towards HOA LONG. Docs typed and dated 23 Dec		
13	1140	6 RAR	C Coy		c/s 32 is there an LZ closely by. 32 LZ 50 meters to my west 01 to 32 ALBATROS coming to you L c in ten min .		
14	1200	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP No3 Full contact report sent.		
15	1200	A Coy	6 RAR		c/s 11 5 young boys in my area ages 9 to 16 what to do ? chase then off.		
16	1201	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 32 LZ secure.		
17	1202	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 32 During contact one M16 broke down can you replace on chopper No too late Possun on its way.		
18	1207	6 RAR	C Coy		c/s 32 articles have been picked up continue on your task;		

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Period from 241300

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
19	1300	A Coy	6 RAR		c/s 11 Loc GR 456643		
20	1310	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 32 Loc GR 445637. 100 rounds 7.62 were fired 20 rounds 5.56 were fired by c/s 32 in the contact at 1115		
21							
21	1335	A Coy	6 RAR		c/s 11 Task complete returning to base		
22	1400	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 32 Task complete returning to base		
23	1410	D Coy	6 RAR		will be XX test firing 1500 Hrs 24 Dec		
24	1415	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 32 have found a 105 mm shell (blind) at GR 443649 also at that point there is a pool of blood approx 2-3 days old		
25	1437	6 RAR	C Coy		c/s 32 P ⁰ ssum 6 will bring Holdfast todo the job		
26	1520	Possun 6	C Coy		32 ca get in to that area but I can't get out of it go to LZ 80M to y ur east		
27	1530	6 RAR	C Coy		Tell us before y u blow		
28	1545	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 32 Blowing Now		
29	1555	C Coy	6 RAR		32 Blow was unsuccessful.		
30	1605	C Coy	6 RAR		32 Blow succesful.		
31	1606	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No 4 sent		
32	1615	Atk Pl	6 RAR		Leaving c/s 4 Loc now.		
33	1635	C Coy	6 RAR		c/s 32 In loc closed down		
34	1645	Atk Pl	6 RAR		c/s 61 Loc GR 641654		
35	1745	Atk Pl	6 RAR		Have picked up 2 women they have ID cards GR 439640 Request instuck		
36	1830	Atk PL	6bRAR		c/s 61 Loc GR 437634.		
37	2000	6 rar	1 ATF		SITREP No 5 NTR Own troops c/s 61 asper patrol task table		
38	2023	Atk Pl	6 RAR		c/s 61 In nifgt loc		

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
39	2215	D Coy	6 RAR		Firing some rounds coming in details later 62 and 4 jamed net. mayter reported to TF. Foring came from Engrs went over D Coy		
40	2230	1 ATF	6 RAR		Firing accured at 21 Sp tpt using SLR at 5-6 people on wire		
41	2238	6 RAR	entry		D Coy closed down		
42	2250	Atk Pl	6 RAR		closed down		
43	2400	D Coy	6 RAR		1 shor heard from ø1 loc. no one else heard the shot.		

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Period from 250001

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
1	0001	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NTR		
2	0400	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NTR		
3	0613	Atk P1	6 RAR		c/s 61 leaving Loc in 5 min. no move except old man in red coat and with white beard driving bullock cart drawn by red nosed buffalo!!		
4	0730	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 42 Leaving D Coy Loc now		
5	0742	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 43 moving out through c/s 2 now		
6	0742	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 42 moving out through c/s 2 now		
7	0750	Atk P1	6 RAR		c/s 61 moving into c/s 4 Loc now closed down		
8	0815	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NTR		
9	0850	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 43 Loc GR 464673. there are 2 buds has not less than 4,000 metres SE of me being shot at. we heard shots and saw one plane take evasive action	Passed to TF	
10	1110	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 43 Loc GRv464663		
11	1135	D Coy ⁸	6 RAR		c/s 42 we are 200 yds south of 464663 and have found a 4 gal tin of rice which was rotting and a bottle of petrol. both have been destroyed but smoke is coming from this location.		
12	1140	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 42 Loc GR XX 476677 we are checking out a number of civilians		
13	1200	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 42 adults detained 5 all have ID cards. four children with them/		
14	1200	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP ABOVE DETAIL SENT. Otherwise NTR.		
15	1225	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 42 Found one civilian at GR 476676. Told to release him whereupon he joined main group.		
16	1230	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 43 Loc GR 462651 stopping for lunch. NTR		
17	1315	RSM	6 RAR		c/s 9 from RSM one Cpl Jones driving RAust sig vehicle. Jones drunk almost hit CO Arrange for arrest. 01 Done out.		
18	1316	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 42 Loc GR 478674. A vehicle carrying 4 civilians drove past us moving fast, we were not close enough to catch them and we were not seen	PASSED TO TF	

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
19	1325	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 43 5 Ox carts moving in GS 4664 with 10 people carts loaded with green vegetation. I am unable to cross the river at this point to check them. We will continue parallel for as long as possible in the hope they cross the river or we can find a crossing.		
20	1355	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 43 Loc GR 460644 Many XXXXX Nogs here on both sides of the river including many young ones who are looking after buffalo we are returning home NNW.		
21	1520	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 43 Back in Loc Closed down		
22	1600	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NTR		
23	1601	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 41 Loc GR 414659. About 20 civilians in my general area tending cattle. some kids. seem to be moving off I will wait and see if they do.		
24	1601	6 RAR	D Coy		c/s 41 civilians are just on line ALOHA not to take civilians unless became troublesome.		
25	1621	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 42 for c/s 2 moving into your Loc now		
26	1630	D Coy	6 RAR		from c/s 42 in c/s 2 Loc now		
27	1645	D Coy	6 RAR		from c/s 41 6 unidentified persons running E. am moving down to investigate from c/s 41 OK you may engage if they are carrying arms from c/s 41 if no luck I will move back to my Ni Loc. Lots of civilians in and around my Ni Loc May be difficult for me to get in Will advise.	Passed to TOC TF	
28	1715	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 41 Unworkable.		
29	1720	D Coy	6 RAR		from c/s 41 we have stopped. encountered 30 civilians when we were moving S to investigate. Will sit tight hear until civilians move move them will move to night Loc. Loc GR 404645.		
30	1740	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 41 will be moving into Night Loc after last light.		
31	1800	6 RAR	entry		Comms very difficult alternate freq jammed by civil radio. changer back to main still difficult to contact c/s 41.		
32	1800	D Coy	6 RAR		c/s 41 Loc GR 404647.	Passed to TF	

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Period from 251905

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to 252400

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
33	1905	6 RAR	D Coy		c/s 41 Radio check. answered by 3 pressel presses Have no worries		
34	2005	6 RAR	D Coy		c/s 41 Radio check(by pressel switch) OK.		
35							
35	2020		ENTRY		Received 1 Fd Regt Op Order.		
36	2020	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NTR		
37	220	6 RA R	?		Contact report. BRAVO. 252200Hrs. CHARLIE. YS ANGELS 15. DELTA. 5 VC. ECHO. Main force 4 in brown with 4 legs and 2 antennae, 1 in red with black boots and white beard. FOXTROT. XXXXXXXX Recovered 1 whip, 1 sleigh, 1 bag goodies. GOLD. Direction blistery North, thought towards ARTIC ETA 1967.		
38							
38	2215		ENTRY		Artillery fired 3,500 rounds of snow balls. No result seen. thought to have received with gay reception.		
39	2230		ENTRY		Checked Bn and Task Force nets. Comms A - OK.		
40	2310	Arty Tac			Forwarding papers to be by vehicle now - to reach BC before tomorrow.		
41	2319	D Coy			Reports 2 flares in C Coy posn. rang C Coy. No Answer. Can not get them. WF Assure soje idiot has fired 2 hand held flares. Confirmed 1 H/Held flare, other tnp.		
42	2335	6 RAR			Received Fire Plans - 1 sent to BC one held D/Offr.		
43	2355	C Coy			A trip flare set off in front of his wire. Investigated with star scope lokked like movement, not definite - possibly 2 - 3 forms moving.		
44	2400	6 RAR			Raise C Coy - can not do so.		
45	2402	6 RAR			Got them - they fired one flare - nothing to see.		
46	2405	6 RAR			Informed Mr leprous of C Coy to keep obs. and report. Consider this		
47	2407	6 RAR			to be F6 info!! SITREP No 1, -NTR.		

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Period from 262407

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
1	0007	6bRAR	1 ATF		SITREP No1 NTR		
2	0255	A Coy	6 RAR		12 Pl report a figure dressed in white about 200 yards in front of wire moving 20 yards left and right and back again. They want to fire at it. Told them to observe it only and hold fire.		
3	0400	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NTR		
4	0745	6 RAR	D Coy		c/s 41 are you moving back now ? 41 Yes. Now back in base Loc.		
5	0800	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITREP NTR		
6	1055		ENTRY		POSSUM will be in direct support 6 RAR within 30-40- min. Will come up on Bn Freq when released from other task.		
7	1155	9Z	6 RAR		moving out by possum now.		
8	1200	6 RAR	1 ATF		SITR EP to 261200 H NTR		
XX							
9	1220	9Z	6 RAR		Locations confirmed. Movement from DATDO to be by road.	A,B,C, Coys informed	
10	1230	A Coy	6 RAR		A Coy Moving now		
11	1250	6 RAR	6 RAR		Moving now.		

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Period from 271730

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1	1730	6 RAR	1 ATF		All call signs in location.		
2	1735	A Coy	6 RAR		Night location for 2 pl at GR 258727.		
3	1740	B Coy	6 RAR		Night location for 5 pl at GR 276660.		
4	1800	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep no.18 sent NTR.		
5	1800	6 RAR	1 ATF		A Coy location at GR 251726 B Coy location at GR 271656 C Coy location at GR 293623 D Coy location at GR 330617.		
6	1820	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl standing patrol at GR 298624. Time out 1830 Time in 0630.		
7	1840	D Coy	6 RAR		Cancelled.		
8	1845	1 ATF	6 RAR		CO'S ORDERS. Situation. No primary task tomorrow. Seperate briefing by Maj. Passey on the sequence of events during this operation. Mission. Patrol in depth to secure the object of our primary task. A Coy less 1 pl. Search and destroy enemy camp at GR 285709 B Coy less 1 pl. Search and destroy along the north east of the feature at GR 277660 C Coy less 1 pl. To search and destroy astride the track Venus to the North east. at GR 296636. D Coy less 1 pl. Search and destroy astride the track Saturn at GR 318623. Aslt Pnrs with APC to go North and south from here and examine all bridges and culverts and immediate approaches. Guns. A Coy reminded of the no fire zone laid down. A Coy to indicate if there is any likelihood of fire being required. All patrols Time out 0800 28 Time in by last light. All Coys to secure location with a platoon.		
9	1905	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.19 sent NTR.		
10	1935	A Coy	6 RAR		2 pl will remain in base location tomorrow and will be .		

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11	2000	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 20 sent NTR.		
12	2036	B Coy	6 RAR		5 pl remaining in base location tomorrow.		
13	2104	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 21 sent NTR.		
14	2202	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 22 sent NTR.		
15	2208	C Coy	6 RAR		We are just standing too after having heard two unidentified explosions possibly mortars. Details to follow.		
16	2209	C Coy	6 RAR		Explosions at a bearing of 200- 3300 metres. Both together. Not sure if both primary or one primary and on secondary. Time interval very short. Details given put explosions in AP LONG CAT.		
17	2210	C Coy	6 RAR		Bearing from 9 pl of explosion was 3900 mls. Puts explosion in northern end of village.		
18	2300	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.23 sent NTR.		
19	2400	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.24 sent NTR.		

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
1	0100	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 1 sent NTR.		
2	0105	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy report hearing approx six shots fired approx south east and approx 2000 mls. from B Coy location.		
3	0106	B Coy	6 RAR		Checked with C Coy. Shots heard o ths North west of C Coy. Probably shots were fired in the vixix vicinity of Long Pouc Hoa.		
4	0200	6RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 2 sent NTR.		
5	0300	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 3 sent NTR.		
6	0400	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 4 sent NTR.		
7	0500	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 5 sent NTR.		
8	0600	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 6 sent NTR.		
9	0700	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 7 sent NTR.		
10	0716	B Coy	6 RAR		5 pl in bass location now.		
11	0722	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl in base locatio now.		
12	0749	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy moving now.		
13	0753	A Coy	6 RAR		A Coy will be moving at 0200 hrs Route from 263678 North east to GR 272688 to GR 272625 then north east along creek.		
14	0757	D Coy	6 RAR		D Coy moving now.		
15	0800	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy moving now.		
16	0800	Aslt Pnrs	6 RAR		Aslt Pnrs moving now.		
17	0800	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 8 sent NTR.		
18	0817	D Coy	6 RAR		D Coy location at 322622		
19	0826	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy location at GR 281664.		
20	0835	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy location at GR 304628.		
21	0843	1 ATF	6 RAR		At about 0910 6 vehicl@s and one track will move through from south to north west		

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
22	0836	Aslt Pnr	6 RAR		Aslt Pnr location At GR ..		
23	0853	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy location at GR 307630.		
24	0858	D Coy	6 RAR		D Coy location at GR 322630.		
25	0900	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 9 sent NTR.		
26	0906	A Coy	6 RAR		A Coy moving now.		
27	0909	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy moving now.		
28	0918	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy location at GR 284665. Have found 3 bunkers old. Quantity .30 ammo, small quantity rice charcoal burner.		
29	0925	A Coy	6 RAR		My forward pl with APC at GR 264693. APC has thrown two tracks. Will go ahead on foot.		
30	0936	Aslt Pnr	6 RAR		Aslt Pnr location at 344612. and moving east.		
31	0933	B Coy	6 RAR		Mortat base plate position 81 mm at bunker position . 3 months old.		
32	0935	D Coy	6 RAR		D Coy location at G ^R 326635.		
33	0942	A Coy	6 RAR		A Coy moving now.		
34	1000	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 10 sent NTR.		
35	1015	A Coy	6 RAR		The truck which acted suspiciously in the BHQ area wa sintercepted. but nothing suspicious suspicious was found and driver was released.		
36	1015	D Coy	6 RAR		Locstats C Coy at GR 331636.		
37	1015	A Coy	6 RAR		Locstats Acoy at GR 274700/		
38	1110	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 11 sent NTr.		
39	1115	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy location at GR 288670.		
40	1120	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy location no change at GR 335639.		
41	1140	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy location at GR 303625.		
	9				Footprints of six persons , one barefoot, heading to south west.		

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
41	1140	C Coy 6 RAR			Mortar track 1,000 yards to the south west so have been made in the last half hour and they left the track somewhere within a 1,000 m south of this location. There has been many bullock cart tracks cut in the thick timber area of GR 300651 and a lot of reasonably fresh tracks in the area. Told to continue on original track.		
42	1145	A Coy	6 RAR		Locstat A Coy at GR 280705. There is a patrol out investigating feature to the south east. Remainder of c/s stationary/		
43	1200	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.12 sent NTR.		
44	1220	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy location at GR 312659.		
45	1223	D Coy	6 RAR		D Coy location at GR 335641.		
46	1224	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy location at GR 292675.		
47	1225	C Coy xxxx6 RAR xxxx			C Coy location at GR 313662		
48	1233	C Coy	6 RAR		All tracks have petered out. Halting for 30 minutes then returning to his base location on eastern side of feature.		
49	1240	1 ATF	6 RAR		SAS location at GR 0830hrs was GR 281712.		
50	1301	D Coy	6 RAR		D Coy location at GR 331642 . Stopped to investigate noises.		
51	1304	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy moving now.		
52	1305	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.13 sent NTR.		
53	1331	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy location at GR 311656.		
54	1333	A Coy	6 RAR		Moving now.		
55	1356	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy location at GR 309649.		
56	1400	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy reports shots from his south west . Seems to be in 6 pl general location but I cant make contact with 6 pl.		
57	1402	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy location at GR 293677 4 and 5 pl searching east. and north.		
58	1405	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.14 sent NTR.		
59	1410	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy location at G ^R 309643 no signs of recent movement.		

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60	14151	D Coy	6 RAR		After investigation of noises found tracks of approx 10 pigs. Returning to location via GR 338622.		
61	1427	C Coy	6 RAR		No signs of movement on eastern side of stream. We are now moving south west on western side of stream.		
62	1415	6 RAR	1 ATF		Rererance the move back to B Coy for Christmas party. This is still desired but depends on convoy timings and dates. If there is to be no convoy on 29 th December we request an airlift for B Coy early the next morning. If this is impractical we request these arrangements for any day when there will be no convoy. Please advise.		
63	1440	A Coy	6 RAR		We are joined up with APC again and are preparing to move back.		
63	1444	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy location at GR.306639.		
64	1454	D Coy	6 RAR		D Coy location at GR 340637.		
65	1454	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy location at GR 299636.		
66	1457	C Coy	6 RAR		Going OK on way back. Nothing sinister discovered. Many woodcutters tracks in area. Do you have any other tasks before we caome in. NO.		
67	1502	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy location at GR 287675.		
68	1503	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep Np. 15 sent NTR.		
69	1520	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy location at GR 288631.		
70	1535	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy back in base now.		
71	1544	D Coy	6 RAR		D Coy location at GR 336632.		
72	1550	C Coy	6 RAR		I am interested in setting up a partol programme for tomorrow but will not go ahead untill I hear from Sunray minor.		
73	1550	A Coy	6 RAR		A Coy back in location now.		
74	1555	D Coy	6 RAR		D Coy location at GR 335626.		

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75	1557	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy location at GR 278666.		
76	1600	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.16 sent NTR.		
77	1642	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy back in base location now.		
78	1645	D Coy	6 RAR		D Coy returned to base NTR.		
79	1700	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy location at GR 300627.		
80	1700	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.17 sent NTR.		
81	1715	D Coy	6 RAR		D Coy standing patrol same place and time as last night.		
82	1745	1 ATF	6 RAR		CO'S ORDERS. At this stage we do not know what date activity will commence. All Coy's should plan on two courses. First. Close patrolling activity to commence at Q+10. if there is to be no convoy tomorrow.. Such patrols designed to investigate any susoect xxxx area within your AO. Second. In event of convoy tomorrow be prepared for route clearance two hours proir to convoy entering our AO. Aslt Pnrs less one section returns to base One section to be prepared to conduct a check of culverts etc if convoy is coming.		
83	1758	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl location at GR 249727.		
84 84	1824	C Coy	6 RAR		8 pl location at GR 300627.		
85	1900	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.19 sent NTR.		
86	1918	B Coy ⁹	6 RAR		5 pl in location.		
87	1930	C Coy	6 RAR		8 pl reports hearing radio music bearing 1400 mils est distance 600 mtres.		
88	1930	Aslt Pnr	6 RAR		Aslt Pnrs closed down.		

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89	2000	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy reports hearing a noise from 5 pl is 1650 mils. and could well be from a hut in the vicinity of GR 316626. D Coy cannot hear it. NFA to be taken but C Coy to report if noise appears to move.		
90	2005	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 20 sent NTR.		
91	21005	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.21 sent NTR.		
92.	2115	C Coy	6 RAR		8 pl reports music still continuing no change to previously reported bearing or distance.		
93	2145	1 ATF	6 RAR		Possum reports moving lights at GR 304645. Consider a worthwhile target. Guns laid and fired . CO informed.		
94	2200	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.22 sent NTR.		
95	2220	1 ATF	6 RAR		Possum reports no sign sign of movement. End of mission.		
96	2301	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.23 sent NTR.		
2741	2341	C Coy	6 RAR		Single rifle shot coming from general area of village Al long CAT.		
98	2400	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.24 sent NTR.		

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
1	0100	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 1 sent NTR.		
2	0200	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 2 sent NTR.		
3	0300	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 3 sent NTR.		
4	0400	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 4 sent NTR.		
5	0500	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No 5 sent NTR.		
6	0600	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 6 sent NTR.		
7	0625	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl moving now.		
8	0646	C Coy	6 RAR		8 pl now to move at 0700.		
9	0647	1 ATF	6 RAR		Do not expect any convoy movement today.		
10	0655	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl in base location.		
11	0656	6 RAR	All C/S		No convoy today. Proceed with close patrolling.		
12	0659	C Coy	6 RAR		8 pl now in base location.		
13	0707	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy location at GR 297637.		
14	0715	D Coy	6 RAR		D Coy patrols for today. 10 pl from present location west to 31 easting then south to the swamp then east along edge of swamp. checking out boat harbour. at GR 320605 on the way, to 33 easting then north to base. 12 pl South to GR 330605 then generally east along north side of swamp to 35 easting then north to GR 350625 then to base.		
15	0715	A Coy	6 RAR		A Coy patrols . 2 pl North to north boundary along west flank of RN15 then east to south side of stream to 270737 then across country to base. 2 pl (one section) West to 24 easting then south to edge of clearing at GR 240713 then south east along edge of clearing to RN15 then north to west side of RN 15 to base.		

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16	0718	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy patrols 5 pl north west to north boundary, keeping approx 1,00m West of RN 15. Cross over then a move back on east side at about same distance from base.		
17	0734 45	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy location at GR 303645. A section is searching target area . So far NTR.		
18	0752	C Coy	6 RAR		Sitrep from 9 pl. Target area has been checked out. In the area where most of the rounds fell there is a log fire still burning.		
19	0800	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.8 NTR.		
20	0825	C Coy	6 RAR		Shots 1500m from the north.		
21	082530	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy patrol programme received by hand. 9pl Out 0639 In 1030 Check target area or night 28/29 Dec. Route out along road at GR 290633 In south across GR 295650. 8 pl Out 0800 In 1500. Check area of music Night 28/29 Dec. then search south along creek from GR 318623 to GR 307610 then return to base along south west edge PEDI West of Long Cat. 9 pl out 1400 In 1100 To clear area between tracks running north east from GR 283643 and track running north east from GR 286632 Out till after convoy.		
22	0839	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl completed search NTR. Returning to base.		
23	0842	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy Locstat at GR Found 155 mm shell . Request demolition squad when available.		
24	0844	C Coy	6 RAR		8 pl Round another UXB in general location. 8 pl to leave party in location Aslt Pnr will send demolition party . To move via road and C Coy's tracks to UXB location.		
25	0845	D Coy	6 RAR		Cancelled.		
26	0900	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.9 sent NTR.		
27	0900	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl back in base location.		
28	0915	D Coy	6 RAR		10 pl no change.		

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
29	0933	C Coy	6 RAR		Aslt Pnr and APC approaching area of UXB from north. 9 pl returning to my location. 8pl checking area of music.		
30	0953	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl in base location.		
31	0957	C Coy	6 RAR		Sitrep. Light incident for 9 pl. No evidence found of enemy area of fires. at GR 30456435. Appears impact area was astride track at GR 30256445. There was no evidence of rounds landing anywhere else. Some may have landed in an area of thick scrub and may not be evident.		
32	1000	6 RAR	1 AFT		Sitrep No.10 sent NTR.		
33	1030	B Coy	6 RAR		5 pl time in after convoy Will be deployed as follows. 5 pl at GR 280646 and one section at GR 264675. 4 pl at GR 272657.		
34	1030	D Coy	6 RAR		10 pl is now moving to patrol an area at GR not given. 12 pl has evacuated one male aged 28 to local authorities He had no I.D. card.		
35	1030	C Coy	6 RAR		8 pl location at GR 309620.		
36	1100	B Coy	6 RAR		5 pl location at GRn 272660.		
37	1100	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl leaving C Coy area now.		
38	1110	C Coy	6 RAR		6 pl location at GR 306612.		
39	1115	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl location at GR 290633.		
40	1142	1 ATF	6 RAR		Rocket fired by Cessna at GR 295633.		
41	1145	C Coy	6 RAR		8 pl location at GR 305611. 9 pl location at GR 283635.		
42	1200	A Coy	6 RAR		A Coy piquet patrols to move into position at 1200hrs.		
43	1210	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.12 sent NTR.		
44	1210	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl location at GR 282643.		
45	1230						

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45	1250	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstats. 8 pl at GR 305611. 9 pl at GR 283643. 7 pl in C Coy location.		
46	1305	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 13 sent NTR.		
47	1405	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 14 ssnt.NTR.		
48	1420	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl at GR 299624. Moving back to C Coy now.		
49	1431	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl now in C Coy location.		
50	1456	A Coy	6 RAR		Grenade blown up in C/S 1 area. Possibly booby trap. 3 men wounded.		
51	1458	A Coy	6 RAR		Request Dust Off to this location.		
52	1500	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 15 3 minor casualties. Nothing further to report this time.		
53	1500	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy patrols night 29 Dec. 6 pl ambush at GR 264665. Time out 1745 Time In: 0730. B Coy patrols for 30th DEC. 4 pl piquet at GR 264673 6 pl piquet at GR 275650.		
54	1507	A Coy	6 RAR		Incident at GR 25357295. Now maybe four casualties.		
55	1548	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl standing patrol at GR 298625. Time out 1830 Time In 0645.		
56	1559	D Coy	6 RAR		Have apprehended three locals one old and two young. All have suspicious documents. Taken to local authorities.		
57	1600	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 16 NTR.		
58	1624	A/Tk Pl	6 RAR		Will be bore sighting using .50 cal in the next fifteen minutes.		
59	1703	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.17 sent NTR.		
60	1713	A Coy	6 RAR		Lot of automatic and small arms fir to my north. 6,400 mils about 1,500 metres.		
61 62	1717	D Coy	6 RAR		Same today as yesterday except for 12pl changed with A/Tk pl.		

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62	1747	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl patrol tonight at GR 298625.		
63	1803	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.18 sent NTR.		
64	1807	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl returned from sweep NTR.		
65	1825	A Coy	6 RAR		All patrols in position.		
66	1900	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.19 sent NTR.		
67	1927	B Coy	6 RAR		6 pl in position.		
68	1940	D Coy	6 RAR		10 pl in location.		
69	2000	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.20 sent NTR.		
70	2100	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.21 sent NTR.		
71	2127	C Coy	6 RAR		6 rounds of small arms fire . firing on a bearing of 5,000 mils. First burst appeared to be towards C Coy. D Coy 5 RAR report the shots were fired from about 500 metres to the SE. Comment .. Most likely from RF post North of Phouc Hoa Checking with sector. From B Coy 2,800 mils from se to nw.		
72	2145	1 ATF	6 RAR		Sector advises RF forces in Long Cat did not fore but believe they recieved fire. Further discussion with C Coy indicate that initial firing probably originated in area south east of Phouc Hoa and was directed at Long Cat. Second burst probably came from RF post north of Phouc Hoa.		
73	2205	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.22 sent. Reports firing in area 287625.		
74	2300	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.23 sent NTR.		
75	2400	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.24 sent. NTR.		

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1	0100	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 1 sent NTR.		
2	0200	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 2 sent NTR.		
3	0300	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 3 sent NTR.		
4	0400	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 4 sent NTR.		
5	0500	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 5 sent NTR.		
6	0600	6 RAR	LATF		Sitrep No. 6 sent NTR.		
7	0637	B Coy	6 RAR		6 pl in base location.		
8	0644	D Coy	6 RAR		7 pl in base location.		
9	0700	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 7 sent NTR.		
10	0730	C Coy	6 RAR		7 & 8 pl's moving.		
11	0750	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl location at GR 298624 8 pl location at GR 291632. UXB RCL round found at 7 pl location. Request aslt Pnr assistance later today. UXB difficult to find.		
12	0800	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 8 sent NTR.		
13	0809	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl location at GR 306622 8 pl location at GR 286637.		
14	0813	B Coy	6 RAR		Road clearing patrols back in this location now.		
15	0825	D Coy	6 RAR		10 pl to GR 320625 then to base. 12 pl to GR 350625 then to base.		
169	0826	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy details of movement. 7 pl piquet to south west then return to this location via swamp. 8 pl from piquet position south east to cross creek at GR 296630 then south to this location.		
17	0846	C Coy	6 RAR		Locstats 7 pl at GR 307617. 8 pl at GR 28356405.		
18	0857	B Coy	6 RAR		4 pl location at GR 264674 @ 4 pl section at G _r 254687 6 pl at G _r 275648		

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19	0901	D Coy	6 RAR		All call signs in position.		
20	0902	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. sent NTR.		
21	0903	C Coy	6 RAR		All call signs in position.		
22	0904	A Coy	6 RAR		1 pl at GR 262731 Heard voices to thier front and are going to investigate.		
23	0913	A Coy	6 RAR		Voices heard by 1 pl were were from a long house . There are woodcutters in tharea .		
24	0917	D Coy	6 RAR		10 pl at GR 307610 12 pl at GR 330612.		
25	0935	A Coy	6 RAR		1 pl location at GR 267736.		
26	0950	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy patrols for 30 th Dec. 5pl up the road to GR 264674 then west to GR 254674 then generally south east to the southern boundry. Checking out creeks then north east along boundry. Then north west to creek at GR 285650 then west to road and return.		
27	1000	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 10 sent NTR.		
28	1010	A Coy	6 RAR		1 pl location at GR 270737.		
29	1035	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy reports small arms fire in GS 2563. Possum told to investigate.		
30	1045	A Coy	6 RAR		1 pl location at GR 268742.		
31	1100	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.11 sent NTR .		
32	1115	C Coy	6 RAR		Cancelled.		
33	1129	A Coy	6 RAR		1 pl location at GR 268747.		
34	1137	B Coy	6 RAR		5 pl moving out now.		
35	1200	A Coy	6 RAR		2 pl location at GR 240705.		
36	1201	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.12 sent NTR.		
37	1227	C Coy	6 RAR		Piquets will be in position in 10 minutes. Same position as this AM but of less strength.		

Period from 301231 H to H

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
38	1231	D Coy	6 RAR		Firing ceased . Now putting out fire,		
39	1253	A Coy	6 RAR		2 pl at GR 238707.		
40	1300	B Coy	6 RAR		5 pl location at GR 258669 6 pl location at GR 264674 One section of 6 pl at GR 275648.		
41	1304	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.13 sent NTR.		
42	1306	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy pl locations at 8pl GR 284641 Section at GR 285635. 7 pl at GR 304612. 9 pl in this location.		
43	1345	A Coy	6 RAR		2 pl location at GR 233716.		
44	1403	D Coy	6 RAR		Sending out another patrol going North east to GR 350625 then south for unit 1.0 then back to base at last light. 12 pl.		
45	1404	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.14 sent NTR.		
46	1411	B Coy	6 RAR		5 pl at GR 26662x 266662		
47	1411	C Coy	6 RAR		Demolition completed.		
48	1422	B Coy	6 RAR		6 pl and one section back in location .		
49	1425	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl in my location now.		
50	1436	C Coy	6 RAR		8 pl in my location now.		
51	1501	6 RAR	1A TF		Sitrep No.15 sent NTR.		
52	1501	B Coy	6 RAR		B Coy patrols night 30 and Day 31 December. Fighting patrol 4 pl Ambush at GR 216663 North of stream on sector map Out 1800 In 0730. Road clearing patrols 6pl 0700 0830 Road piquets 5 & 6 pl's.		
53	1521	A Coy	6 RAR		2 pl location at GR 242718		
54	1530	B Coy	6 RAR		5 pl location at GR 278649.		
55	1534	D Coy	6 RAR		12 pl location at GR 335621.		
56	1541	A Coy	6 RAR		2 pl location at GR 253720 on road heading back. 1 pl in my location.		

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
57	1544	D Coy	6 RAR		12 pl location at GR 345616.		
58	1600	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.16 sent NTR.		
59	1605	A Coy	6 RAR		2 pl in base location 3 pl has just left.		
60	1624	D Coy	6 RAR		12 pl location at GR 346623.		
61	1624	B Coy	6 RAR		5 pl location at GR 285647.		
62	1630	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl location at GR 264733.		
63	1658	D Coy	6 RAR		10 pl location at GR 321671. A/Tk pl at GR 346615		
64	1703	1 ATF	6 RAR		Gunships riring at oxcart bridge. at GR 292727		
65	1703	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.17 sent NTR.		
66	1705	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl location at GR 293639.		
67	1715	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy patrol programme of 31 Dec. 9 pl secure B Coy location. 8 pl base defence and local clearing patrols. 7 pl Time out 0800 Time In. 1600 . Patrol from creek road junction at GR 307610 along creek line to GR 318623. Then move by APC along track to track junction at GR 303632 then patrol on foot along creek line east bank to creek track crossing at GR 309643 then on western side of creek, south west to track junction at GR 296637 to RV with APC and return to base.		
68	1741	A Coy	6 RAR		Contact. Elements to the north of 1 pl several VC 3 pl 172 contact. 2 wia possible.		
69	1800	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.18 sent NTR.		
70	1802	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl is compromised and is moving to another position.		
71	1806	B Coy	6 RAR		4 pl leaving now.		
72	1809	B Coy	6 RAR		4 pl qmbush at GR 266663 North of strean on picto map.		

Period from 301829 H to

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
73	1829	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl moving now.		
74 37	1837	1 ATF	6 RAR		New year cease fire in effect from 310700 to 020700 Patrols to continue as planned 31 Dec. Rules for engagement as for Christmas truce.		
					Patrols to continue as planned		
38	1905	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.19 sent NTR.		
39	1910	C Coy	6 RAR		Fire appears to be going in and out of Lang Phouc Hoa at a bearing fo 5,100 mils . Appears to be a contact. Nothing coming our way.		
40	1913	C Coy	6 RAR		Contact seems to have stopped.		
41	1930	A Coy	6 RAR		3 pl location at GR 263739.		
42	1930	B Coy	6 RAR		4 pl in position.		
43	2000	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.20 sent NTR .		
44	2018	D Coy	6 RAR		Three lights seen to our north at GR 335627. May be fires started by tracer this PM But may be moving. I intend to engeage with mortars.		
45	2032	D Coy	6 RAR		10 pl moving now .		
46	2100	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 21 sent NTR.		
47	2137	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl recieved quite a bit of fire in my area. Sorting out where it came from.		
48 43	2143	C Coy	6 RAR		Two vehicles came down road/Were fired on by village to our south. Lot of shouting going on.		
49	2150	D Coy	6 RAR		10 pl in position . A/Tk pl still moving.		
50	2159	C Coy	6 RAR		Shooting commenced in village to the south. Vehicles seem to have come from Phouc Hoa.. First vehicle at speed came into Long Cat and stopped by a burst of auto fire Same for second vehiclie. Roads not coming into our area. Sounds interesting.		
51	22	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep NO.22 sent.NTR.		
52	2230	A/Tk	6 RAR		A/Tk pl in position.		

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Period from 302300

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
53	2300	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.23 sent NTR.		
54	2355	D Coy	6 RAR		10 pl and A /Tk pl moving back. to D Coy location now.		
55	2400	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.24 sent NTR.		

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Period from 310100 H to

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
1	0030	D Coy	6 RAR		10 pl now back in this location.		
2	0040	D Coy	6 RAR		A/Tk pl now back in this location.		
3	0100	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.1 sent NTR.		
4	0200	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.2 sent NTR.		
5	1300	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.3 sent NTR.		
6	0400	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 4 sent NTR.		
7	0500	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.5 sent NTR.		
8	0600	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.6 sent NTR.		
9	0730	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl in B Coy location.		
10	0810	b Coy	6 RAR		Extraction of B Coy commencing.		
11	0814	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.8 sent NTR.		
12	0820	D Coy	6 RAR		D Coy Patrol activity today. 12 pl to GR 348638.		
13	0845	A Coy	6 RAR leaving with		A Coy leaving with B Coy and 7pl to GR 255708.		
14	0858	A Coy	6 RAR		A Coy moving now.		
15	0859	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl location At GR 309615.		
16	0924	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl location at GR 313621.		
17	0946	C Coy	6 RAR		APC is moving to RV with 7 pl at this location.		
18	100	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.10 sent NTR.		
19	1006	C Coy ⁹	6 RAR		APC has dropped 7 pl at GR 302642 and is now moving back.		
20	1019	D Coy	6 RAR		Cancelled.		
21	1037	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl at GR 305634.		
22	1042	D Coy	6 RAR		12 pl and A /Tk pl at GR 347633.		
23	1100	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.11 sent NTR.		

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Period from 31113

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
24	1113	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl at GR 306636.		
25	1137	A Coy	6 RAR		A Coy location at GR 282714.		
26	1143	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl location at GR 305637. Going very difficult.		
27	1200	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitre No.12 sent NTR.		
28	1215	A Coy	6 RAR		A Coy location at GR 283711.		
29	1220	A Coy	6 RAR		Am stopping and sending two recce patrols forward.		
30	1230	D Coy	6 RAR		12 pl location at GR 348640.		
31	1235	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl location at GR 309643.		
32	1255	A Coy	6 RAR		at GR 285710 there is a well constructed building which has been used as a rice cache but not lately.		
33	1300	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.13 sen NTR.		
34	1310	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl location at GR 304644.		
35	1330	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl location at GR 305641.		
36	1331	D Coy	6 RAR		12 pl back in base location.		
37	1332	D Coy	6 RAR		A/Tk pl returning to this location.		
38	1333	A Coy	6 RAR		A Coy location at GR 285710.		
39	1400	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.14 sent NTR.		
40	1406	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy location at 303638.		
41	1408	A Coy	6 RAR		Camp bombed and burnt out. Will call APC's forward to me when I check out houses.		
42	1411	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl Heard small arms firing 1,900 mils from here about 1,000 metres.		
43	1412	6 RAR	1 ATF		Track near your location was mined . 5 RAR lost two APC's. Will send aslt Pnrs to assist.		
44	1418	6 RAR	C Coy		To 9 pl . Firing was B5 range practice.		

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
44	1424	D Coy	6 RAR		12 pl and A/Tk pl at GR 336622.		
45	1426	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl now at RV . APC will go there and bring him back.		
46	1441	C Coy	6 RAR		7 pl now back in this location.		
47	1445	A Coy	6 RAR		A Coy moving now.		
48	1450	D Coy	6 RAR		12 pl and A /Tk pl now in my location.		
49	1506	A Coy	6 RAR		Have found natural underground tunnel system. Looks as if something has been put in there . Will investigate.		
50	1506	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep Np.15 sent NTR.		
51	1510	A Coy	6 RAR		Found body in cavern at GR 285712. Body been there about six months.		
52	1529	D Coy	6 RAR		12 pl During patrol today at GR 348637. 3 month old enemy camp . Contained 12 75mm expended cases and metal containers. Camp appeared to have been used one or two nights only.		
53	1608	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.16 sent NTR .		
54	1610	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy activities 31/1 Jan. 8 pl standing patrol at GR 297623. Time out 1830 Time in 0645.		
55	1700	1 ATF	6 RAR		FAC report from TF 30 40 people carrying weapons at GR 275725 and GR 265726		
56	1720	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.17 sent NTR.		
57	1725	A Coy	6 RAR		A Coy back in base location.		
58	1725	C Coy	6 RAR		C Coy activities 1 Jan 67. 7 pl base defence. 8 pl fighting patrol. Time out 0900. Route.. Patrol to creek bend at GR 319620 Then south south west along creek to road creek junction at GR 307610 then piquet position at GR 303612. 9 pl fighting patrol. Time out On release from B Coy Location. Route out,. from B Coy location clear east of road to C Coy. north boundary. then piquet position at GR 284641. Route in .. Via creek line at GR 300631 if time permits.		

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Serial	Date/Time	From	To	Orig No	Subject or Detail	Action	Completed
59	1840	C Coy	6 RAR		9 pl at GR 26756545.		
60	1856	D Coy	6 RAR		D Coy activities for 1 Jan 67. A/Tk pl at GR 310610. and one section at GR 323611. 12 pl at GR 330613. 10 pl at GR 350614 and one section at GR 327610.		
61	1856	A Coy	6 RAR		A Coy activities for 1 Jan 67. Clearing and piqueting patrols 3 pl at GR 260740.		
62	1900	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.19 sent NTR.		
63	2000	A Coy	6 RAR		Good deal of activities in the village o the north. Lights coming from east and crossing the road . Fair bit of activity on the river. We will patrol that direction tomorrow.		
64	2001	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.20 sent NTR.		
65	2101	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.21 sent NTR.		
66	2200	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.22 sent NTR.		
67	2300	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No.23, sent NTR.		
68	2400	6 RAR	1 ATF		Sitrep No. 24 sent NTR.		

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TO

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THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN REGIMENT

1 DEC - 31 DEC 66

OPERATION ORDERS

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FORECAST OF ACTIVITIES

1. Hereunder forecast of activities for the period 5 Dec - 11 Dec incl.

ACTIVITY	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
BASE DEFENCE	All Coys	All Coys	A in B	C in B	D in B	C in B	A in D A in B
CLOSE PATROLS	B C	C D	D A	A C	C D	A	C
COY PATROLS	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
DUTY COY	B	C	D	A	C	A	C
BN RESERVE	A	B	C	D	A	C	A
ATT 5 RAR			B	B	B	B	B

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PATROL TASKS 5 - 7 DEC 66

1. Attached as Annex A is 6 RAR Patrol Task Table for the period 5 - 7 Dec 66.
2. Patrols will be on 6 RAR Command Net. Callsigns to be advised to TOC by 1500 hrs the day preceeding the patrol.

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for Lieutenant Colonel
Commanding Officer

Distribution

Hq 1 ATF	2
1 APC Sqn	
1 Fd Regt RAA	6
1 Fd Sqn RAE	
5 RAR	
3 SAS Sqn	
A Coy	2
B Coy	2
C Coy	2
D Coy	2
Mor Pl	
Aslt Pnr Pl	
Echelon	
TOC	
CO	
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IO	
Mor Pl Comd	
File	2
Comds Diary	3

ANNEX A TO 6 RAR PATROL TASKS 5 - 7 DEC 66

PATROL TASK TABLE

Serial	1/12	2/12
Sub Unit	B Coy	C Coy
Type	Fighting	Fighting
Strength	Half Pl	Not less than half pl.
Time Out	050730H	051500H
Time In	051700H	060800H
Routes	Annex P	Annex P
Tasks	1. Search Sector 43 for recent signs of en activity 2. In particular check en camps at YS 473680 - YS 476683	Ambush track vicinity YS 437630 to prevent en mov along NE - SW rd. <u>Note.</u> Patrol is to withdraw from ambush position at 060600H as 6 Dec is an open day for LONG PHUOC area.
Serial	3/12	4/12
Sub Unit	C Coy	D Coy
Type	Fighting	Fighting
Strength	Half Pl	Not less than half Pl.
Time Out	060715H	061630H
Time In	061530H	070800H
Routes	Annex Q	Annex Q
Tasks	Search Sector 17 for recent signs of en activity in particular YS 466664 old cache area	Ambush track vicinity YS 42896394 to deny en access to HOA LONG.

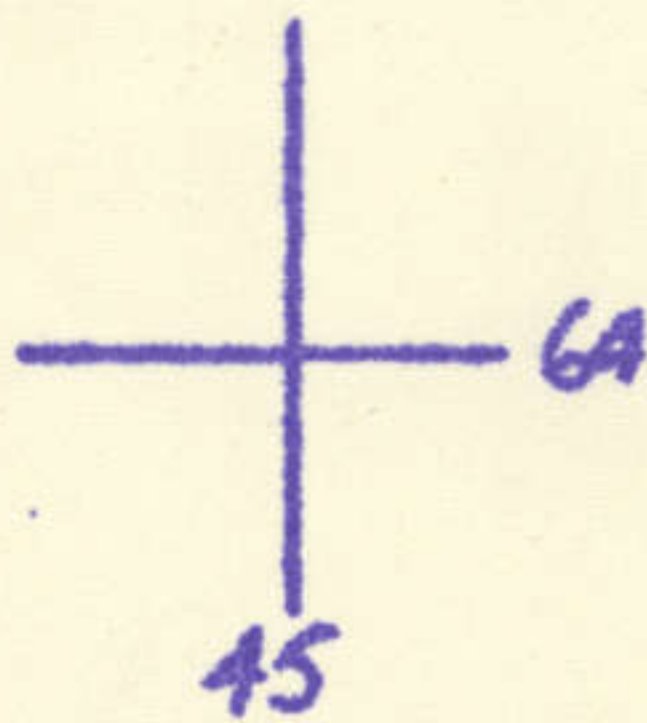
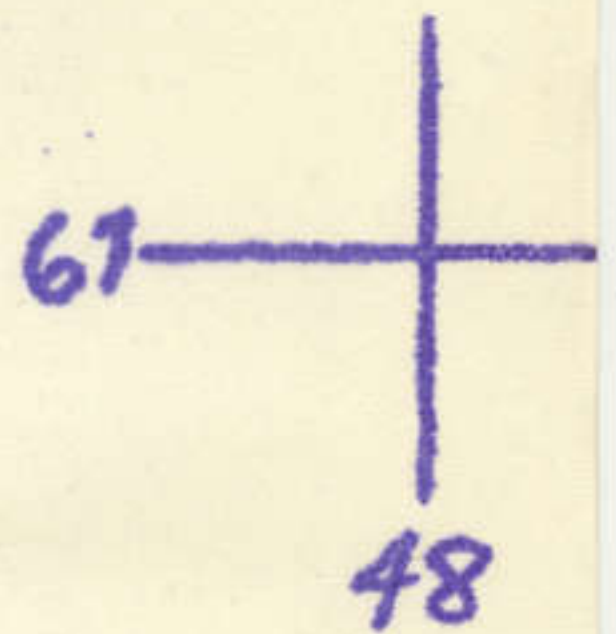
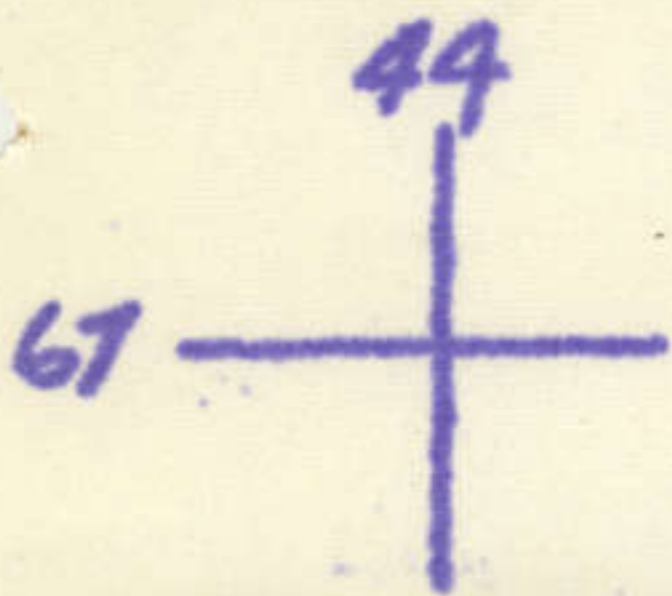
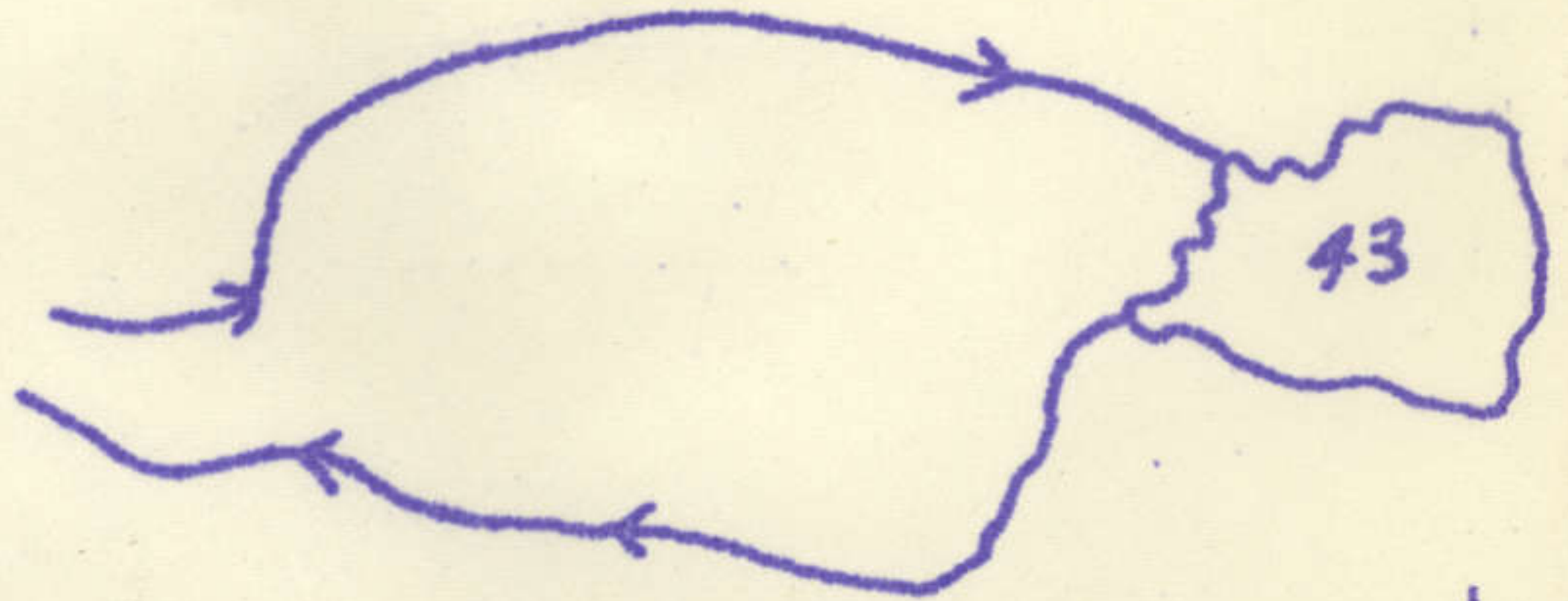
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Serial	5/12	6/12
Sub Unit	D Coy	A Coy
Type	Fighting	Fighting
Strength	Half Pl	Not less than half Pl.
Time Out	070730H	071500H
Time In	071700H	080800H
Routes	Annex R	Annex R
Tasks	Search Sector 16 for signs of recent en activity in particular en camp at YS 465672	Ambush vicinity track junction YS 44596364. <u>Note</u> Ptl to leave ambush loc at 080600H as 8 Dec is open day for LONG PHUOC area.

ANNEX P TO ERAR PATROL TASKS TABLE 5-7 DEC.

PATROL ROUTES - SEARCH AREAS

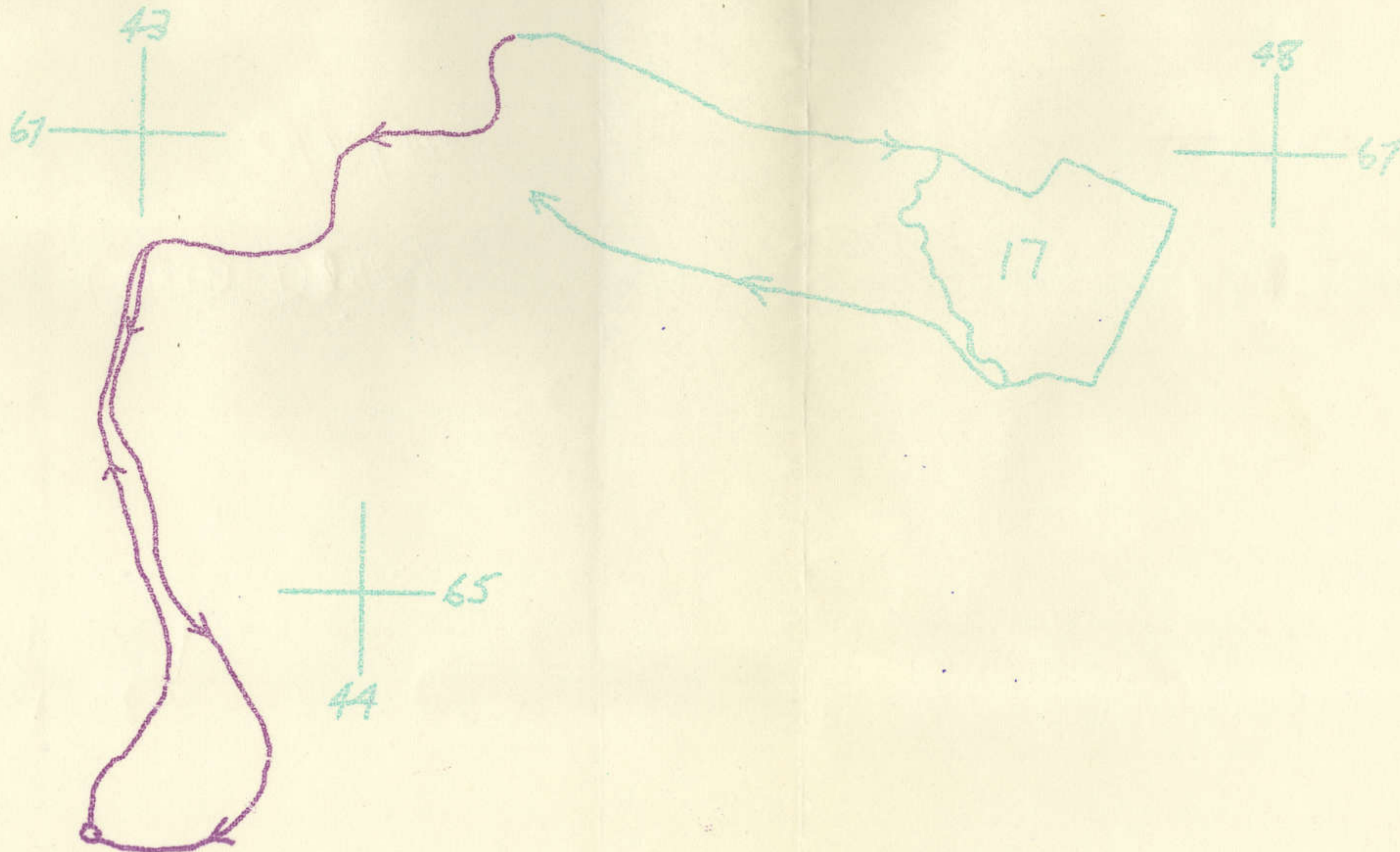
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ANNEX Q TO 6RAR PATROL TASK TABLE 5-7 DEC.

PATROL ROUTES - SEARCH AREAS

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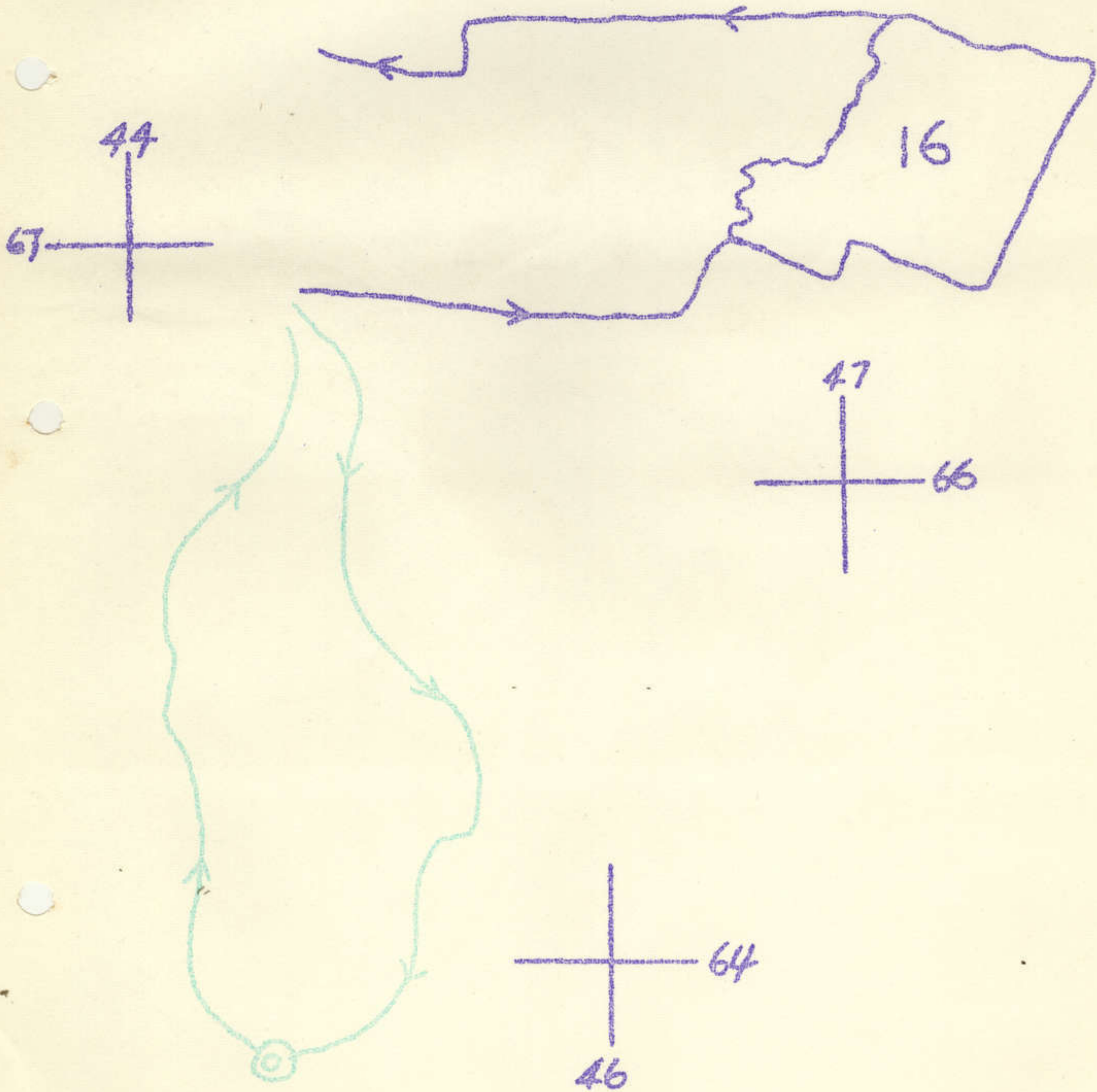
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PATROL ROUTES - SEARCH AREAS

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PATROL TASKS - 8-9 DEC 66

1. Attached as Annex A is 6 RAR Patrol Task Table for 8-9 Dec 66.
2. Patrols will be on 6 RAR Command Net. Callsigns to be advised to the TOC by 1500 hrs the day preceeding the patrol.

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Commanding Officer

Distribution

HQ 1 ATF	2
1 APC Sqn	
1 Fd Regt RAA	6
1 Fd Sqn RAE	
5 RAR	
3 SAS Sqn	
A Coy	2
B Coy	
C Coy	2
D Coy	2
Mor Pl	
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Annex A to 6 RAR Patrol Tasks 8-9 Dec 66

PATROL TASK TABLE

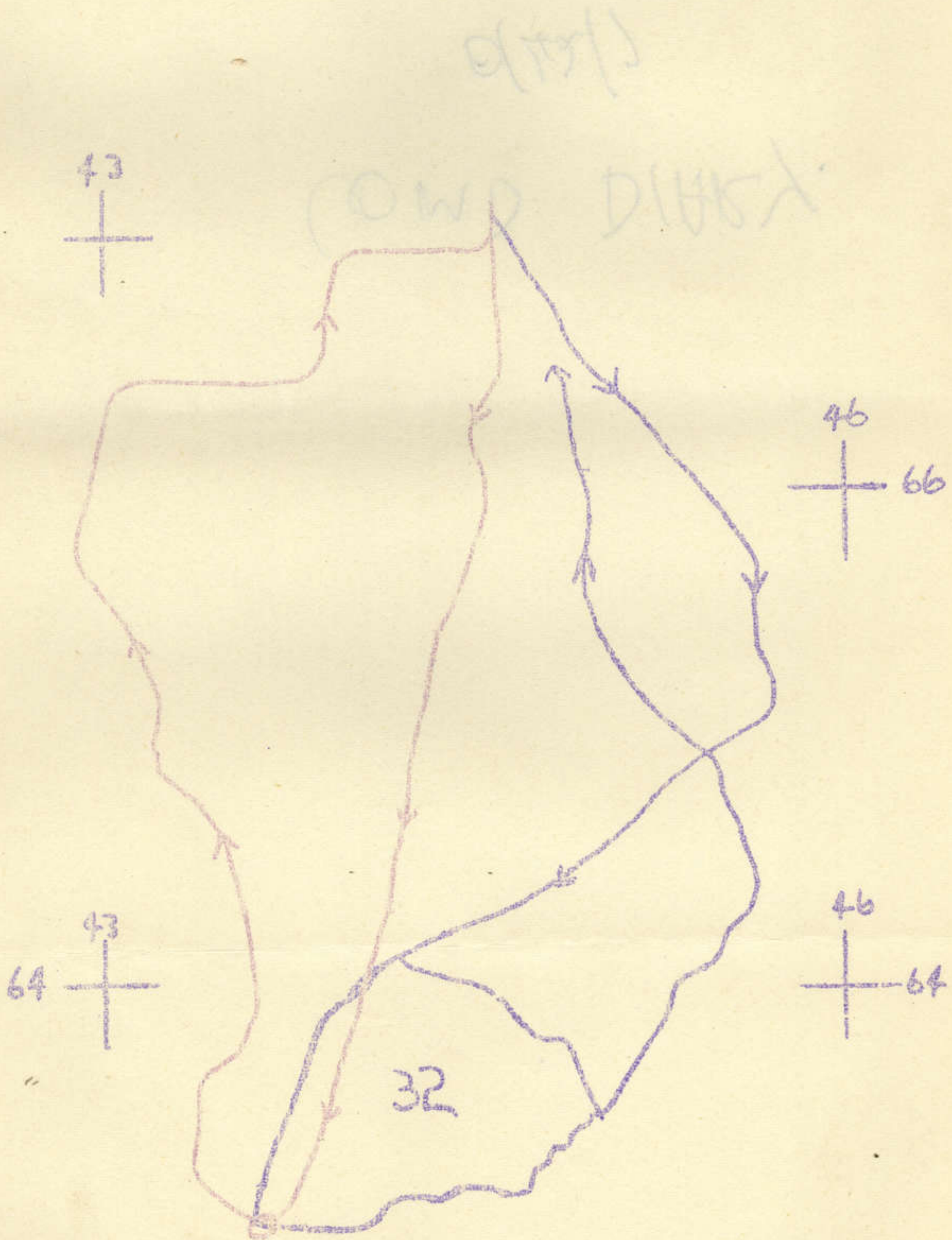
Serial	7/12	8/12
Sub Unit	A Coy	C Coy
Type	Fighting	Fighting
Strength	Half Pl	Not less than half pl.
Time Out	080715H	081600H
Time In	081630H	090800H
Routes	Annex P	Annex P
Task	Search sector 41 for recent signs of en activity. In particular EAST bank of the WEST SUOI DA BANG.	Ambush vicinity track junction YS 430637 to prevent en mov WEST into HOA LONG

Serial	9/12	10/12
Sub Unit	C Coy	D Coy
Type	Fighting	Fighting
Strength	Half Pl	Not less than half pl.
Time Out	090700H	091500H
Time In	091700H	100830H
Routes	Annex Q	Annex Q
Tasks	Search sector 32 for recent signs of en activity. In particular vicinity contact C/S 32 5 Dec 66, YS 437638	Ambush track vicinity YS 437638 to prevent en mov along NE-SW road.

ANNEX Q TO 6RAR PATROL TASK TABLE

PATROL ROUTES - SEARCH AREAS

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FORECAST OF ACTIVITIES

1. Hereunder amended forecast of activities for the period 10 - 16 Dec incl.

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ACTIVITY	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
BASE DEFENCE	C in B	D in B	A in B	C in B	D in B	A in B	All Coys
CLOSE PATROLS	D A	A C	C D	D A	A C	C D	D A
COY PATROLS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
DUTY COY	A	C	D	A	C	D	A
RN RESERVE	C	D	A	C	D	A	C
ART 5 RAR	B	B	B	B	B	B	

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FORECAST OF ACTIVITIES

1. Hereunder amended forecast of activities for the period 10-13 Dec 66

ACTIVITY	10	11	12	13
BASE DEFENCE	D in B A in C	A in B A in C	D in B D in C	A in B A in C
CLOSE PATROLS	D	D	A	D
COY PATROLS	-	-	-	-
DUPT COY	A	D	A	D
Bn RESERVE	D	A	D	A
ATT & RAR	B C	B C	B C	B C

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FORECAST OF ACTIVITIES

Hereunder forecast of activities for period 24-26 Dec 66 incl.

ACTIVITY	24	25	26
EASL DEFENCE	All Coys	B in A B in C	A in B A in D
CLOSE PATROLS	A C D	D	C
BN DUTIES	Sp/Bn HQ Ech	Sp/Bn HQ Ech	Sp/Bn HQ Ech
STAND BY (30 mins notice to move)	B Sect Mors	E Sect Mors	A Sect Mors

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PATROL TASKS 13 - 15 DEC 66

1. Attached as Annex A is 6 RAR Patrol Task Table for the period 13 - 15 Dec incl.
2. Patrols will be on 6 RAR Command Net. Call signs to be notified to the TOC by 1500 hrs the day preceding the patrol.

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jev Lieutenant Colonel
Commanding Officer

Distribution

HQ 1 ATF	2
1 APC Sqn	
1 Fd Regt RAA	6
1 Fd Sqn RAE	
5 RAR	
3 SAS Sqn	
A Coy	3
B Coy	
C Coy	3
D Coy	3
Mor Pl	
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Mor Pl Comd	
File	2
Comds Diary	3

ANNEX A TO 6 RAR PATROL TASKS 13 - 15 DEC 66

PATROL TASK TABLE

Serial	17/12	18/12
Sub Unit	C Coy	D Coy
Type	Fighting	Fighting
Strength	Half Pl	Not less than half pl.
Time Out	130630H	131500H
Time In	131830H	140800H
Routes	Annex P	Annex P
Task	Search Sector 28 for recent signs of en activity, in particular details of any en instls loc.	Ambush NW-SE track, vicinity YS 453634
Serial	19/12	20/12
Sub Unit	D Coy	A Coy
Type	Fighting	Fighting
Strength	Pl	Not less than half pl
Time Out	140630H	141500H
Time In	141800H	150745H
Routes	Annex Q	Annex Q
Task	Search Sector 30A for recent signs en activity, in particular 1. Previously reported coy size camp at YS 484653 2. Reported arms cache YS 483643	Ambush crossing SUOI DA BANG vicinity YS 462656 <u>Note:</u> Ambush is to withdraw NO LATER THAN 150630H as 15 Dec is an open day in LONG PHUOC

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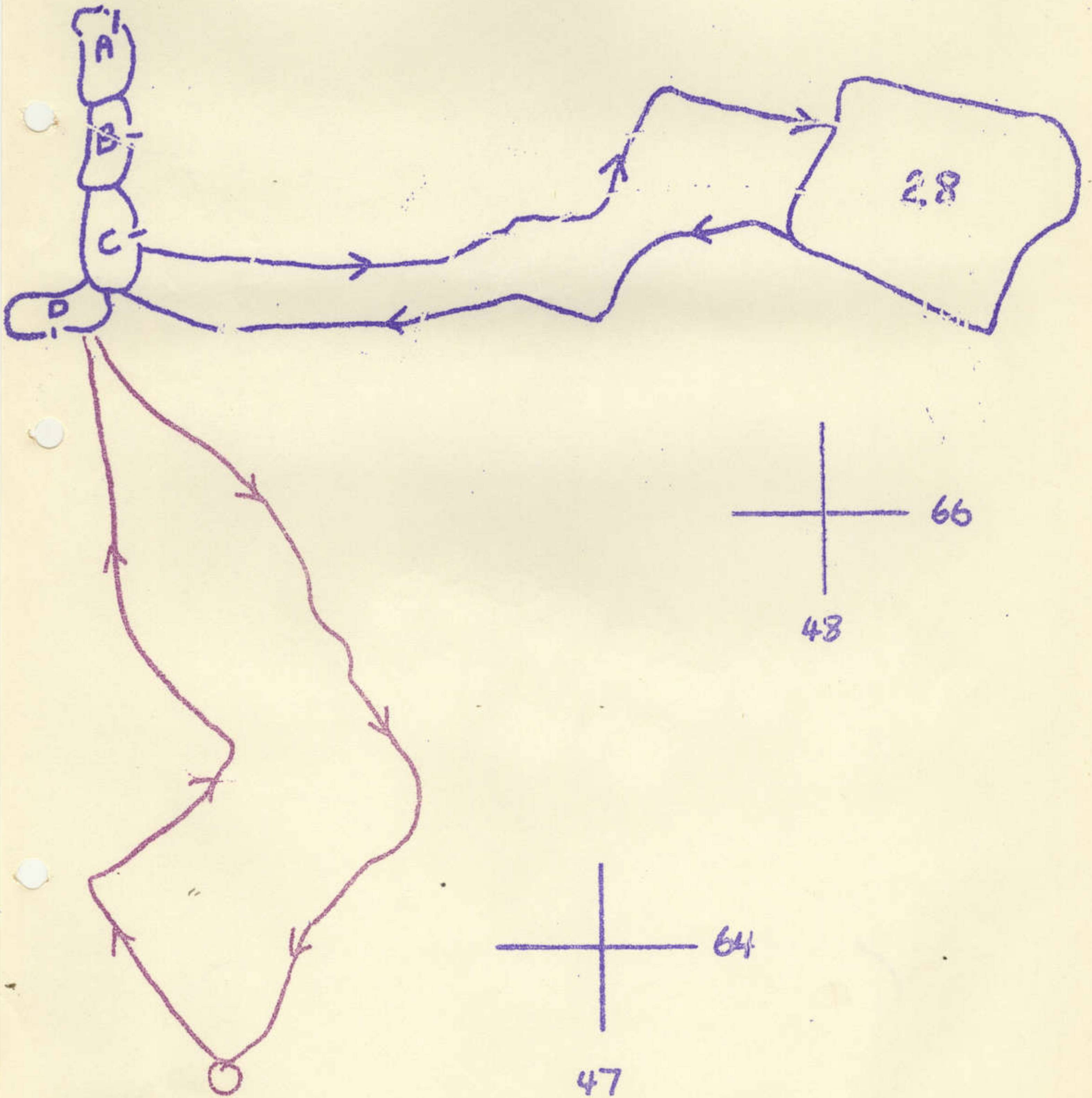
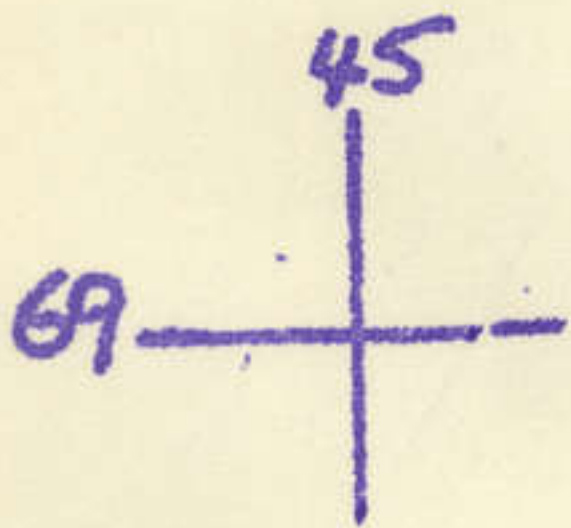
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Serial	21/12	22/12
Sub Unit	A Coy	C Coy
Type	Fighting	Fighting
Strength	P1	Not less than half P1
Time Out	150630H	151600H
Time In	151800H	160800H
Routes	Annex R	Annex R
Task	Search sector 46 for recent signs of en activity in particular camp at YS 474693	Ambush vicinity track and bunker YS 435638. <u>Note:</u> Ambush is NOT to move into final loc until last light as 15 Dec is open day in LONG PHUOC

ANNEX P TO GBAR PATROL TASK TABLE 13-15 DEC 66

PATROL AREAS - ROUTES

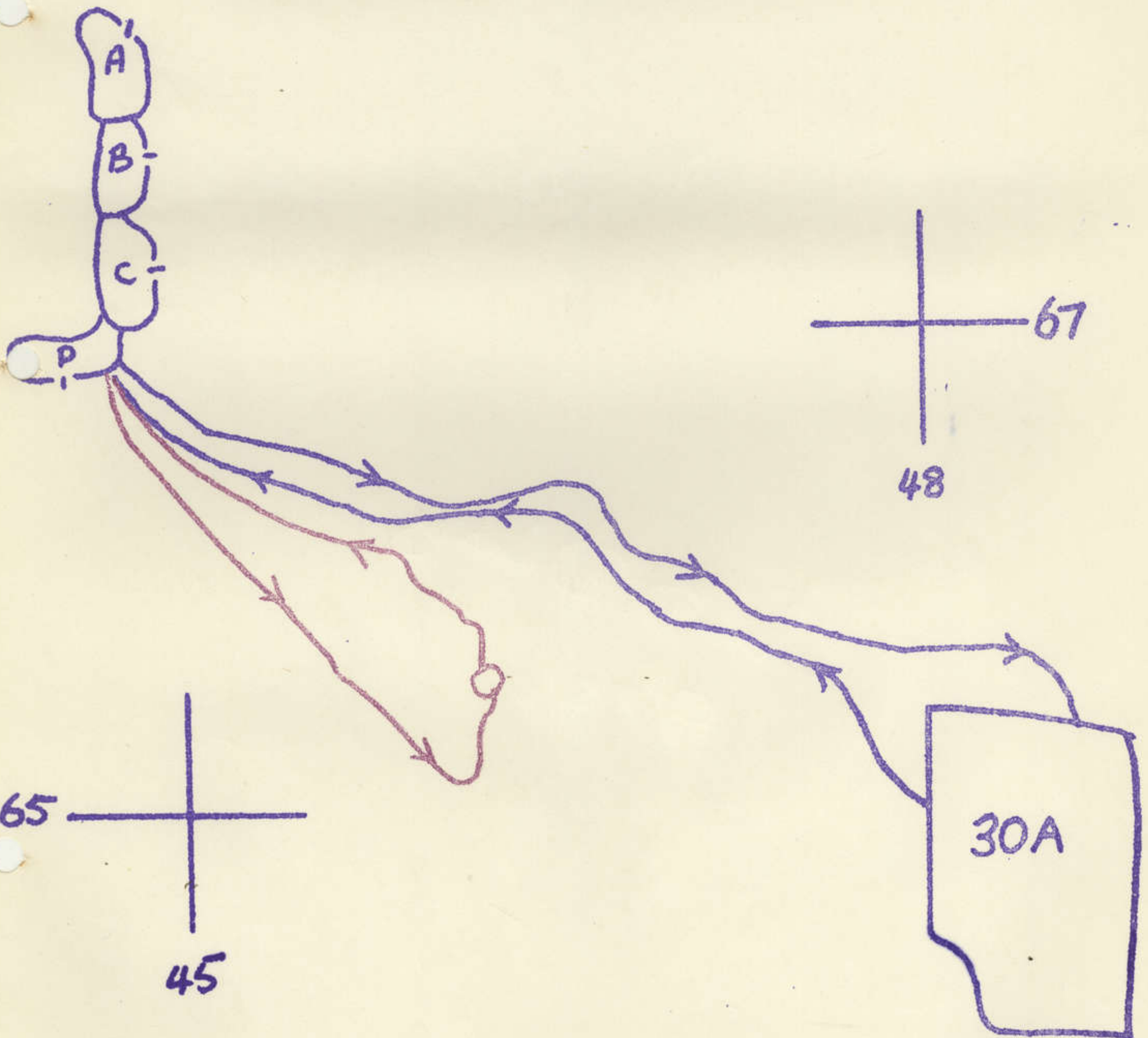
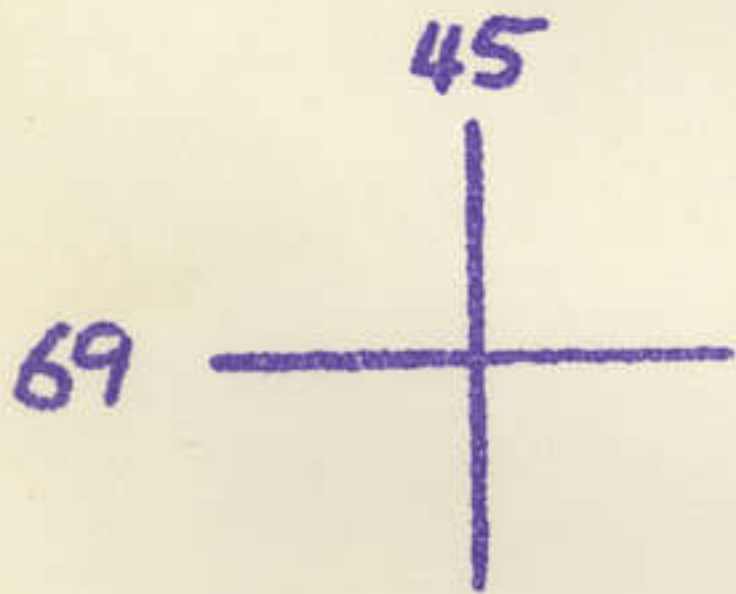
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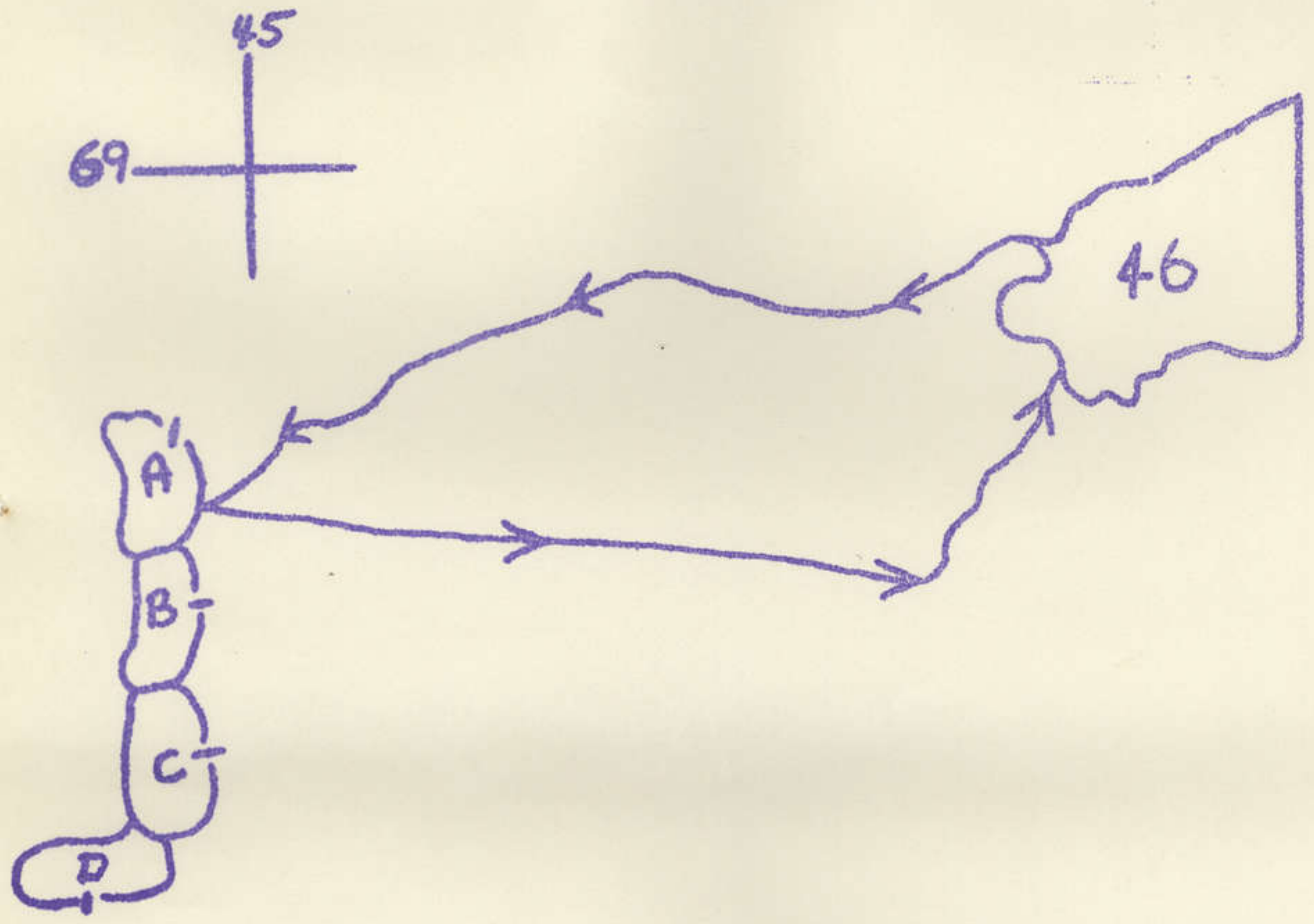
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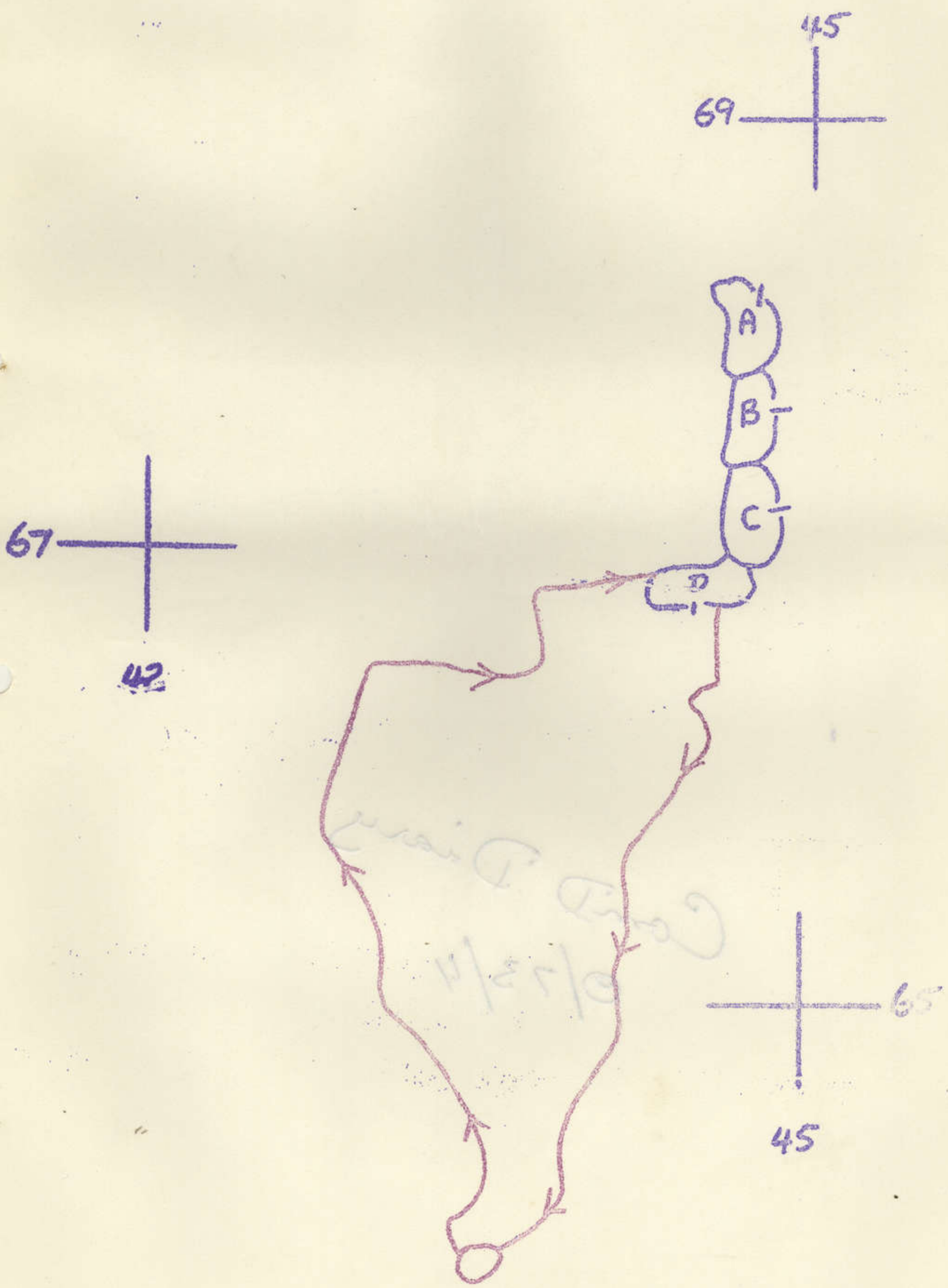
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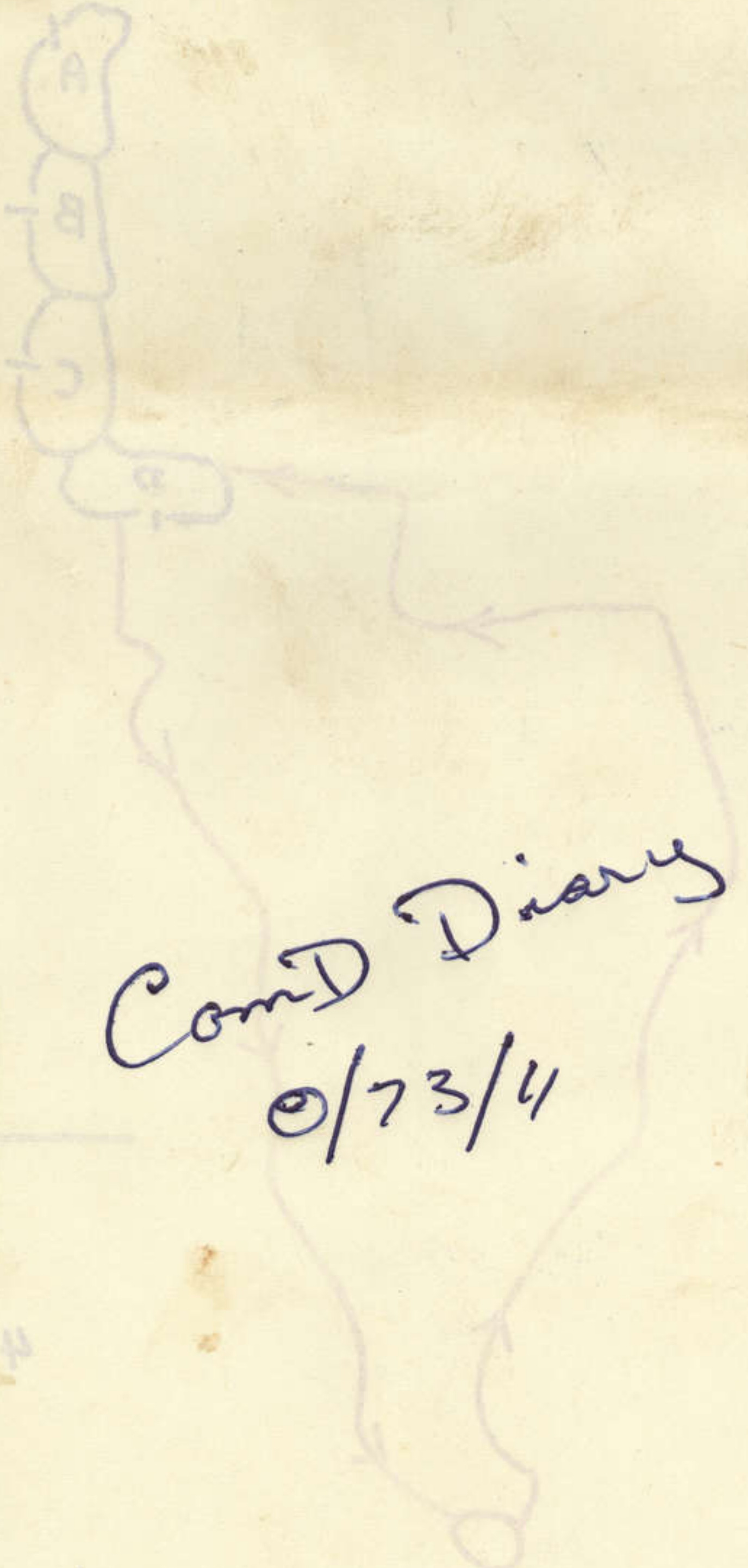
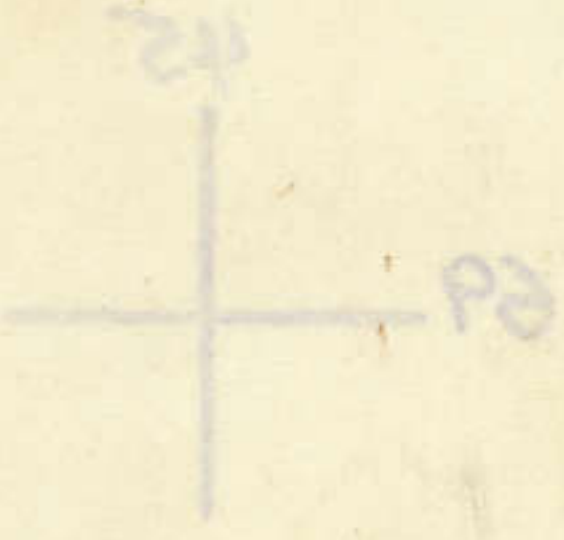
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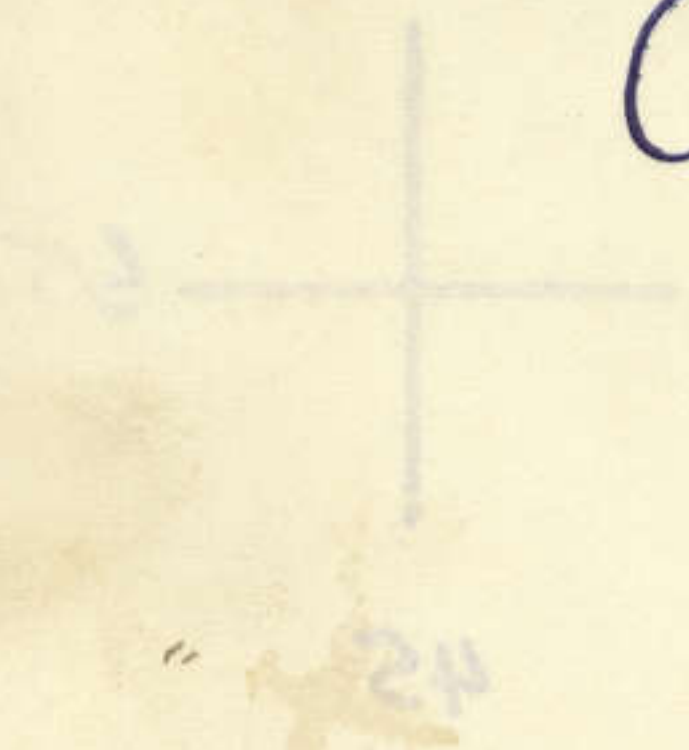
ANNEX B TO LARA PATROL TASK TABLE 13-12 DEC 64

PATROL AREAS - ROUTES

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FORECAST OF ACTIVITIES

1. Hereunder amended forecast of activities for the period 12 - 15 Dec

ACTIVITY	12	13	14	15
BASE DEFENCE	A in B	C in B	D in B	A in B
CLOSE PATROLS	A C	C D	D A	A C
BOY PATROLS	-	-	-	-
BOY BOY	C	D	A	C
RESERVE	D	A	C	D
ATT 5 RAP	B	B	B	B

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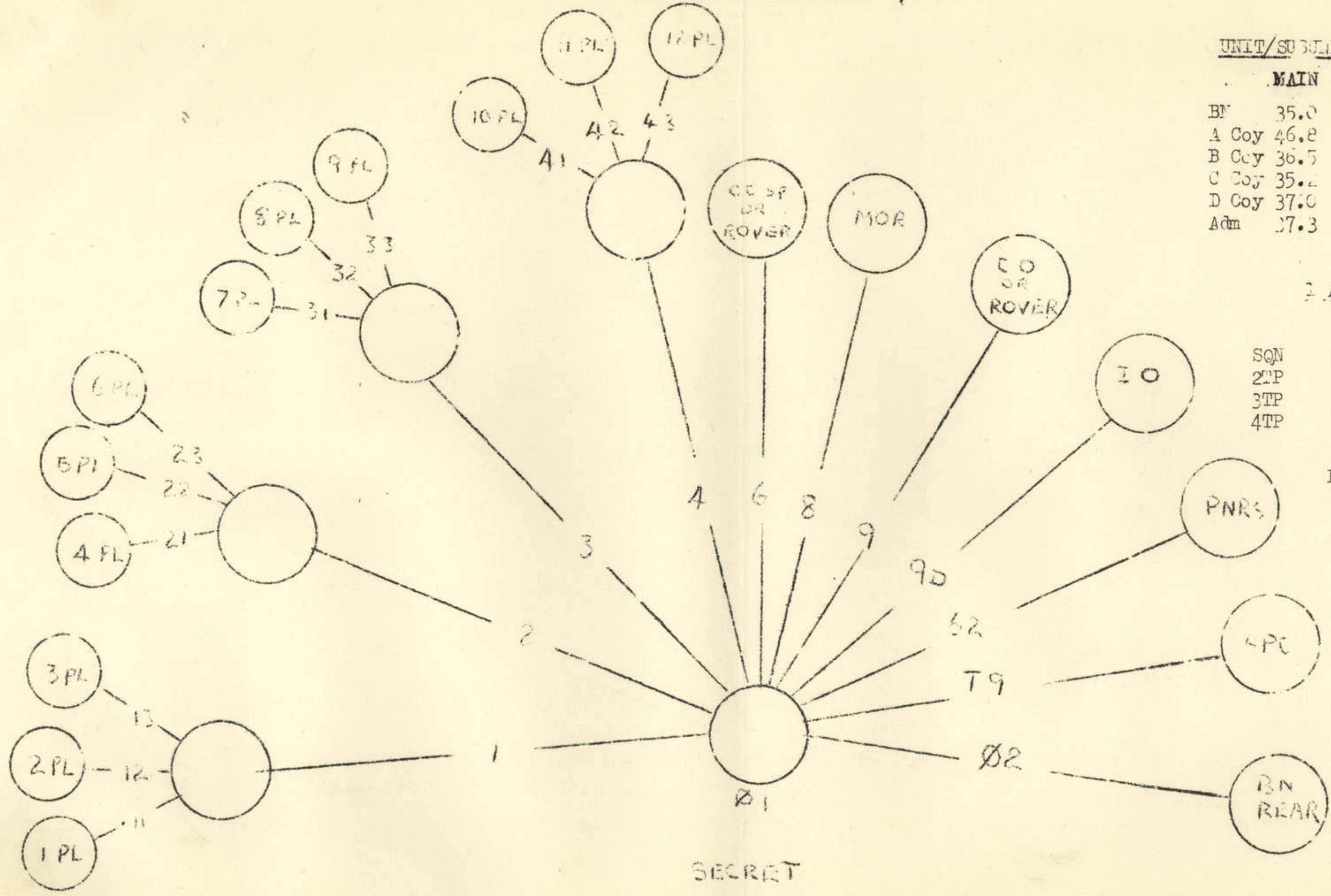
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31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70
71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80
81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90
91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100

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Cond Diary

UNIT 31 - 31 October 1911 - 31 October 1911 - 31 October 1911

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RADIO DIAGRAM - STARTING 1400



UNIT/SUBUNIT		FREQ
MAIN		ALT
BN	35.0	44.3
A Coy	46.8	35.9
B Coy	36.5	39.6
C Coy	35.2	57.8
D Coy	37.0	59.2
Adm	37.3	58.65

AFC SQN		ALT
MAIN		ALT
SQN	57.4	45.6
2TP	43.6	59.45
3TP	46.2	62.8
4TP	43.1	55.1


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6 RAR
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23 Dec 66

PATROL TASKS

1. Attached Patrol Task Table and annexes replaces and cancels
6 RAR Patrol Task Table 25-26 Dec serials 27/12 - 34/12 incl


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Commanding Officer

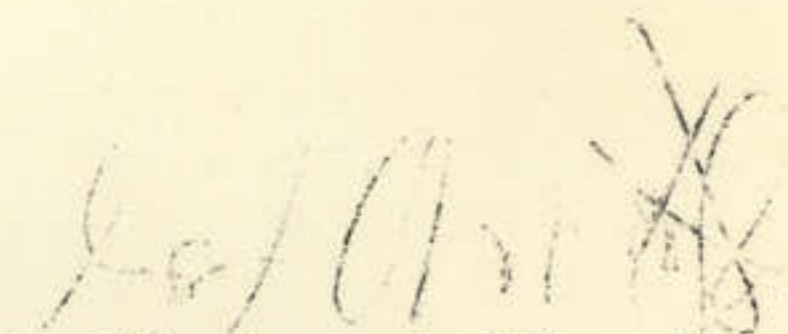
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HQ 1 ATF 2
1 APC Sqn
1 Fd Regt RAA 6
1 Fd Sqn RAE
5 RAR
3 SAS Sqn
A Coy
B Coy
C Coy
D Coy
Mor Pl
Aslt Pnr Pl
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Mor Pl Comd
File 2
Comds Diary 3

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24 Dec 66

PATROL TASKS 24 - 26 DEC 66

1. Attached as Annex A is 6 RAR Patrol Task Table for the period 24 - 26 Dec 66 incl.
2. Patrols will be on 6 RAR Command Net. Callsigns will be advised to TOC by 1500 hrs the day preceeding the patrol.


Lieutenant Colonel
Commanding Officer

Distribution

HQ 1 ATF	2
1 APC Sqn	
1 Fd Regt RAA	6
1 Fd Sqn RAE	
5 RAR	
3 SAS Sqn	
A Coy	2
B Coy	2
C Coy	2
D Coy	2
Mor Pl	
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ANNEX A TO 6 PAR PATROL TASKS 24-26 DEC 66

PATROL TASK TABLE

Serial	27/12	28/12
Sub Unit	A Coy	C Coy
Type	Fighting	Fighting
Strength	P1	P1
Time Out	240730H	240730H
Time In	241700H	241700H
Routes	Annex P	Annex P
Task	Search sector 19 for recent signs of en activity. Destroy armed enemy located	Search sector 32 and destroy armed enemy located. In particular vicinity YS 437689.

Serial	29/12	30/12
Sub Unit	D Coy	D Coy
Type	Fighting	Fighting
Strength	P1	P1
Time Out	241600H	250730H
Time In	250730H	251700H
Routes	Annex P	Annex Q
Task	Ambush vicinity track junct YS430637 to prevent en mov WEST into HOA LONG	Search sector 16 for recent signs of en activity. Destroy armed enemy located.

Serial	31/12	32/12
Sub Unit	D Coy	D Coy
Type	Fighting	Fighting
Strength	P1	P1
Time Out	250730H	251630H
Time In	251600H	260730H
Routes	Annex Q	Annex Q
Task	To search EAST branch of SUOI DA BANG for recent signs of en activity. Dest armed en located	Ambush vicinity WEST of track at YS 430643 to prevent en movement WEST into HOA LONG.

PATROL TASK TABLE

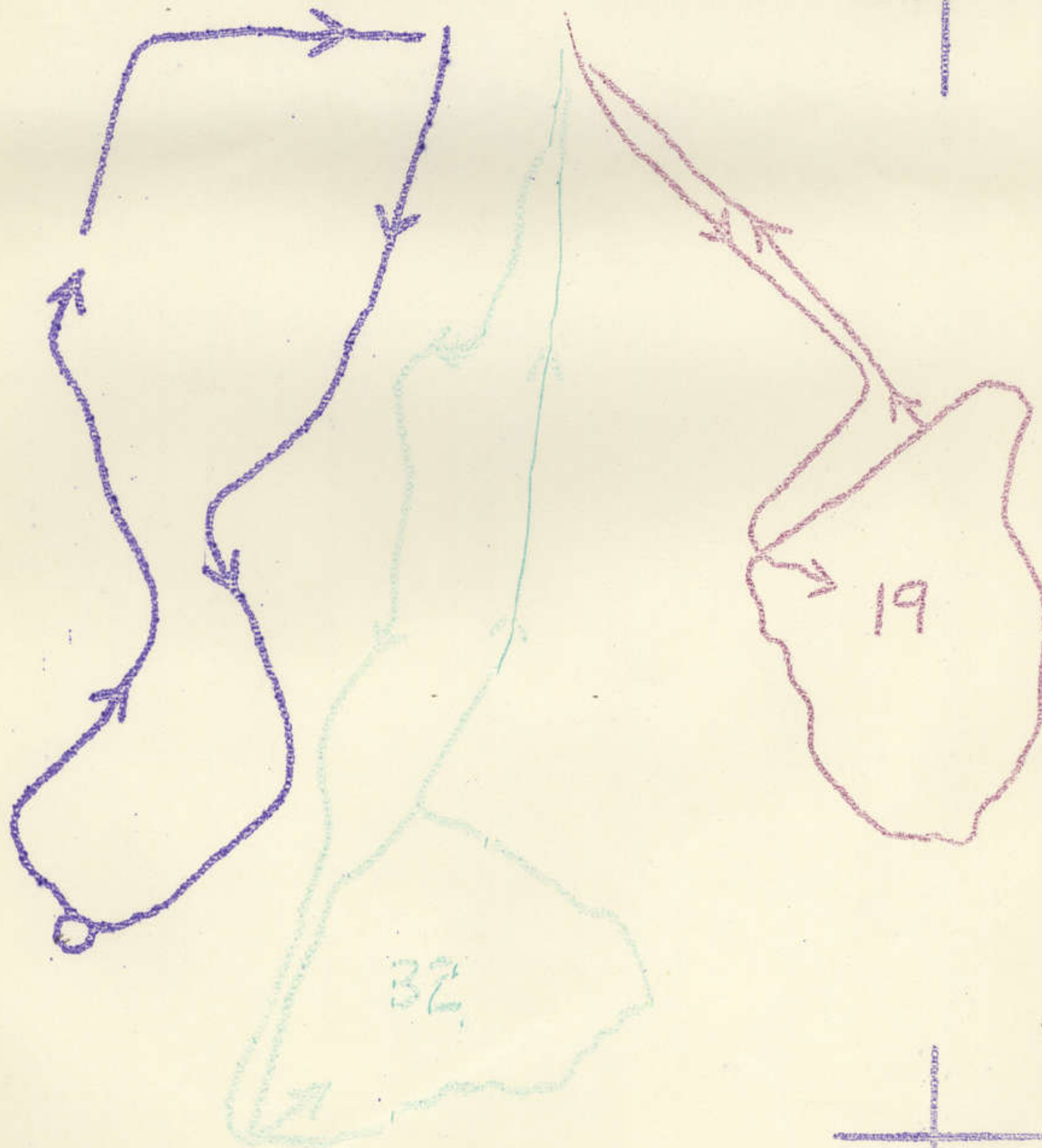
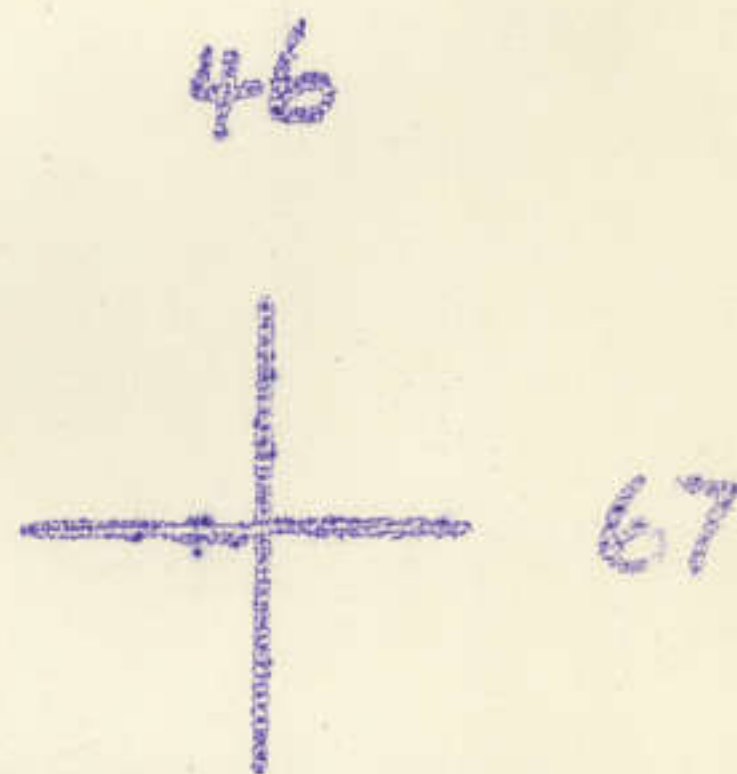
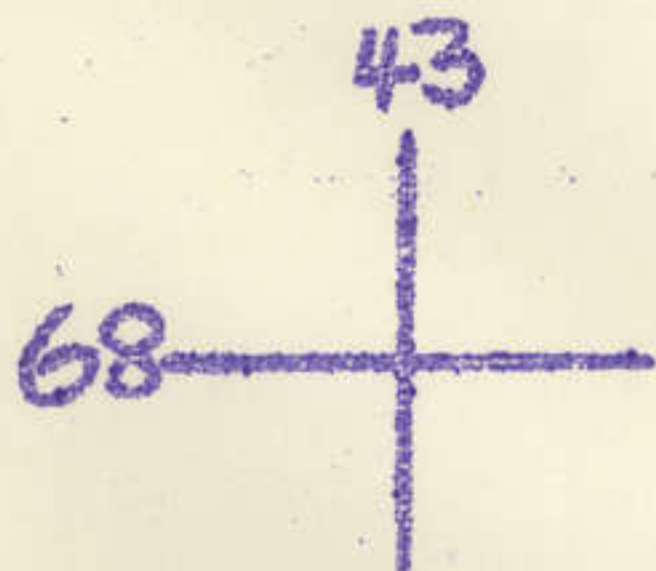
Serial	35/12	14
Sub Unit	C Coy	C Coy
Type	Fighting	Fighting
Strength	P1	P1
Time Out	260730H	260730H
Time In	261700H	270130H
Routes	Annex R	Annex R
Task	Search and destroy en loc in sector 17.	Search WEST branch of SUOI DA BANG for recent signs of en activity

Serial	35/12
Sub Unit	C Coy
Type	Fighting
Strength	P1
Time Out	262030H
Time In	270130H
Routes	Annex S
Task	Sweep sector 1 to locate and destroy en recon parties. Mov from SOUTH - NORTH

ANNEX P TO 6RAR PATROL TASK TABLE 24-26 DEC 66

PATROL SEARCH AREAS - ROUTES

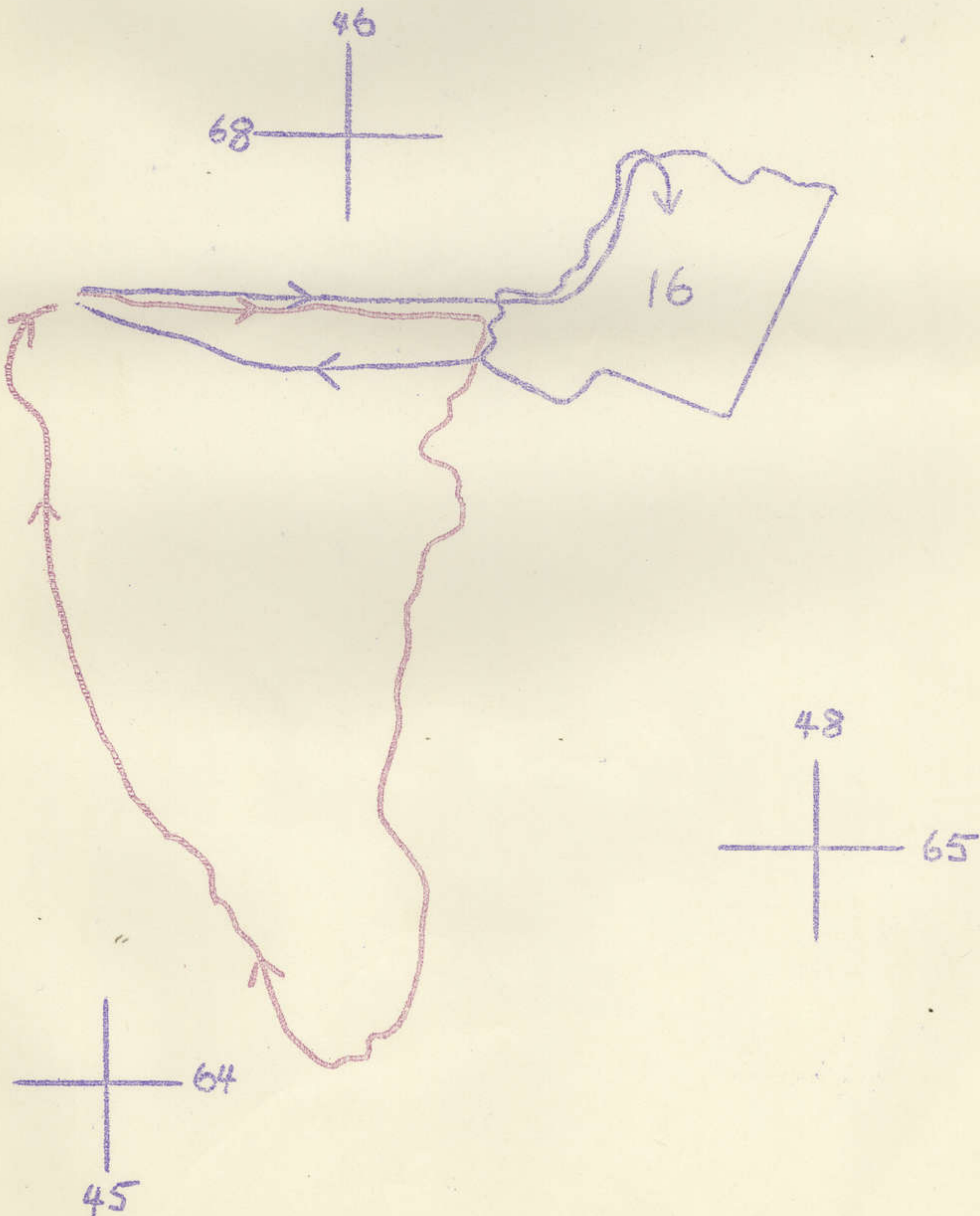
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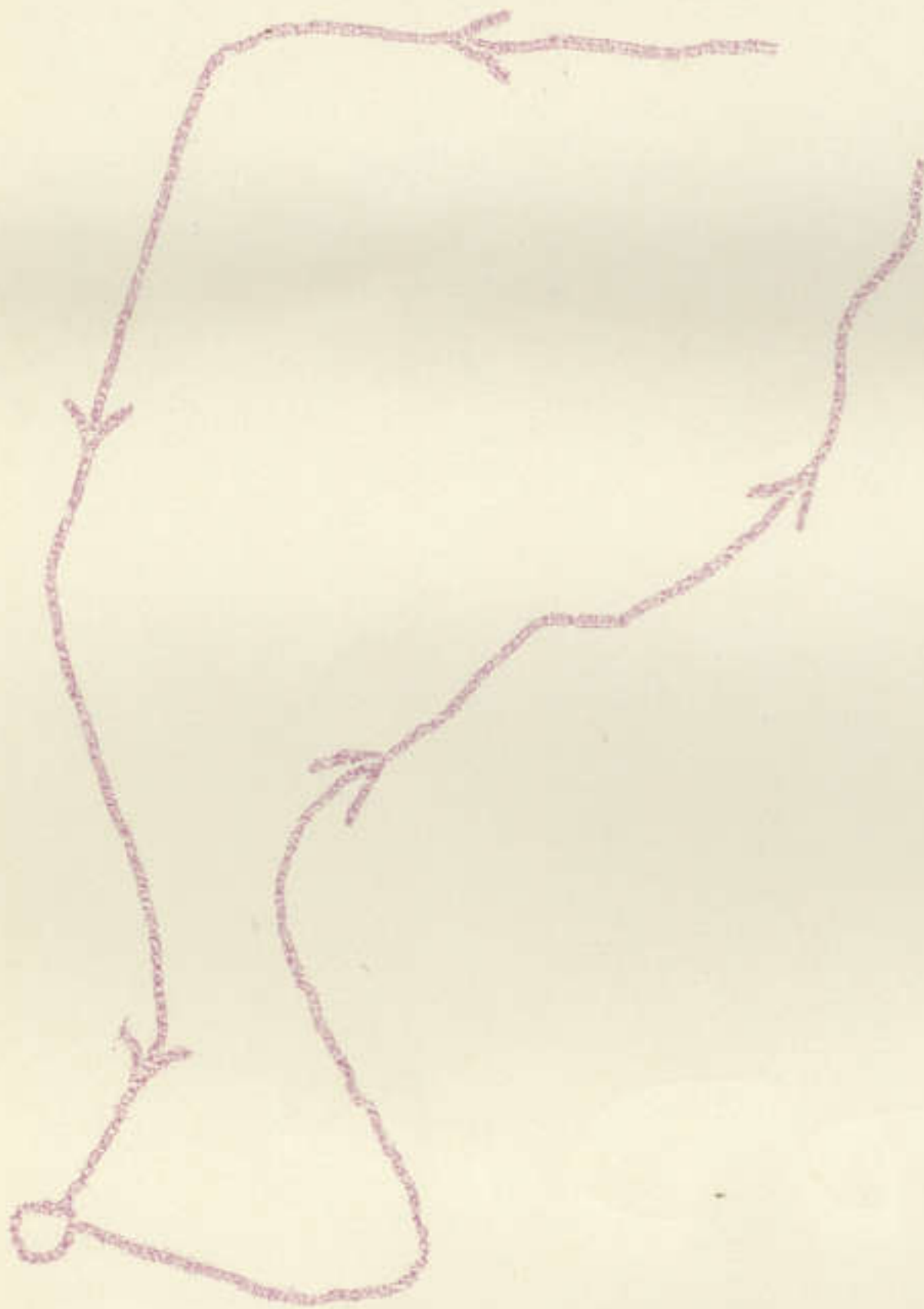
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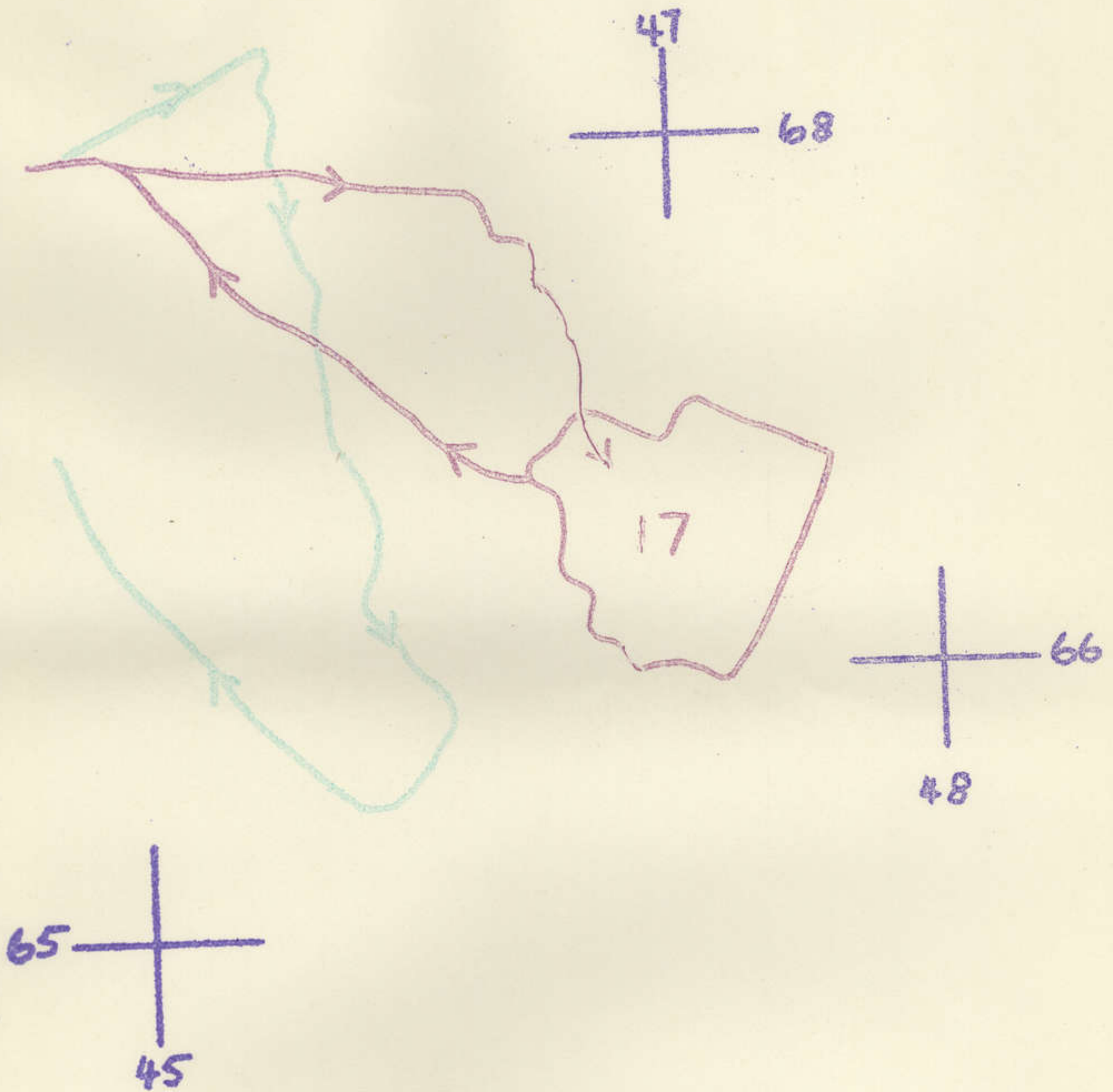
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ANNEX R TO BRAR PATROL TASK TABLE 24- 6 DEC 66

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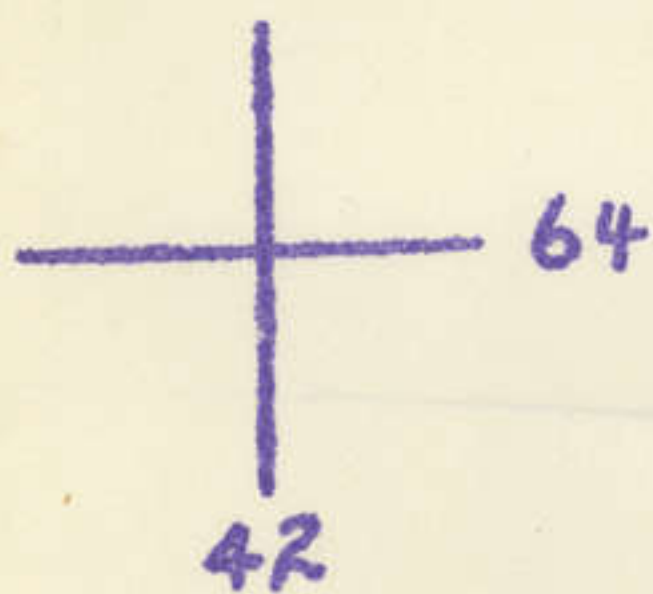
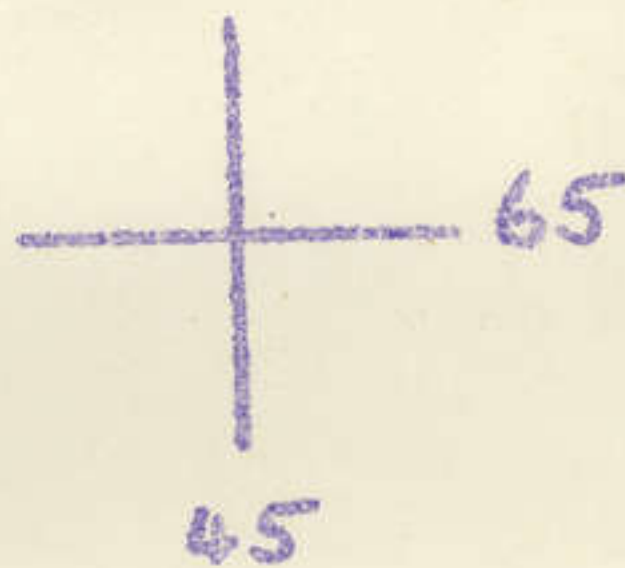
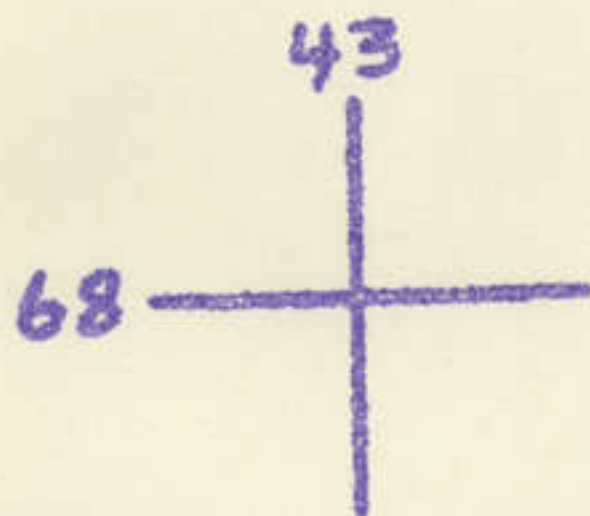
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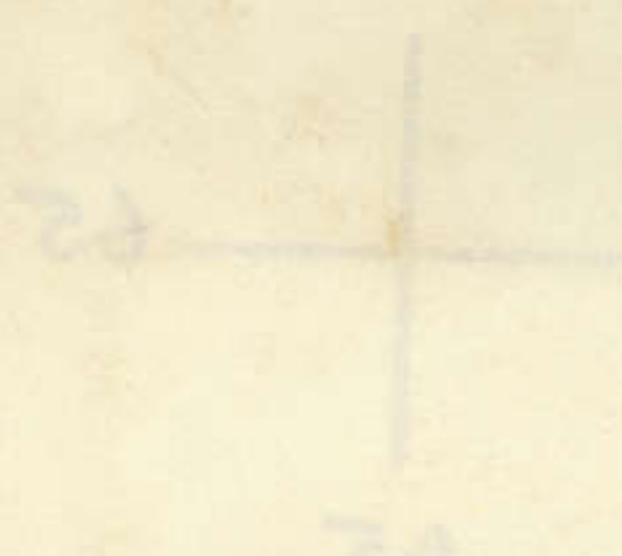
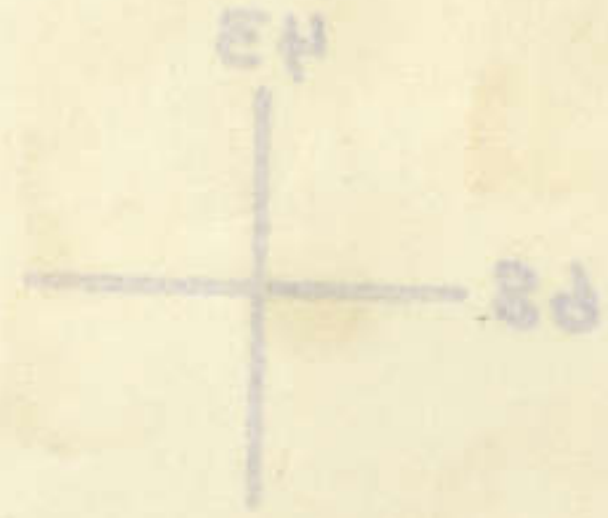
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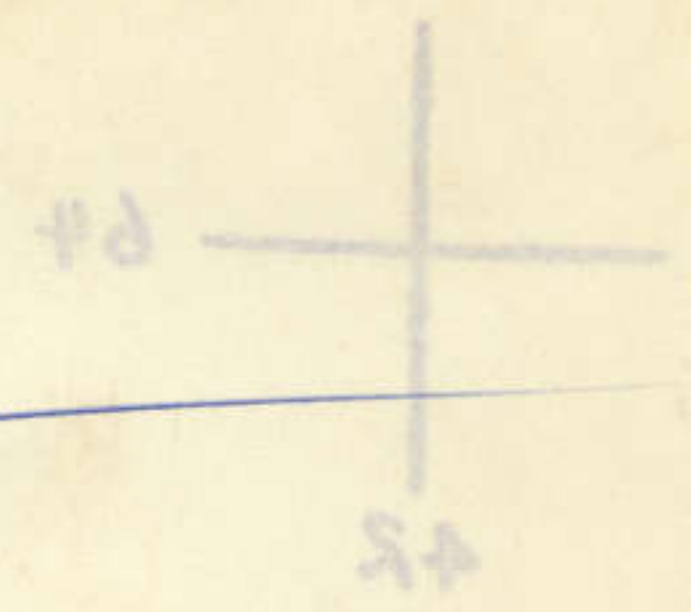
ANNEX 2 TO BRAR PATROL TASK TABLE 24-25 DEC 66

PATROL SEARCH AREAS - ROUTES

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FORECAST OF ACTIVITIES 25 - 26 DEC 66

1. In order to give rifle coys one clear day off over the Christmas period it is planned that two coys mount all patrols and protective tasks on 25 Dec and they be relieved by the other two coys on 26 Dec. Battalion duties including the SOUTHERN check point will be manned over this period by Sp Coy. BHQ and Admin Coy.

ACTIVITY	25	26	27
BASE DEFENCE	B in A D in C	A in B C in D	P
CL. SE PATROLS	B D	A C	U C K
BN DUTIES	Sp/BnHQ Ech	Sp/BnHQ Ech	


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6 RAR
26th Dec 66.

POINTS OF ORIGIN 6 RAR ONLY

OPERATION

25/26 Dec	4959 COLOUR 4755 ANIMAL 5153 TREE	29/30 Dec	4958 SPORT 5056 DAY 5354 MOUNTAIN
26/27 Dec	5158 CAR 4953 SPORT 5356 DOG	30/31 Dec	5157 DRINK 4953 FISH 5254 HEADDRESS
27/28 Dec	4857 CITY 5052 RIVER 5255 ACTOR		
28/29 Dec	4756 CIGARETTE 5154 BEER 5252 ANIMAL		

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ADDITIONAL POINTS OF ORIGIN 6 RAR ONLY
OPERATION DUCK PHASE II

25/26 Dec	2674	TREE
	2964	BIRD
	3563	ACTRESS
26/27 Dec	2569	RIVER
	3060	SPORT
	3264	GEM
27/28 Dec	2871	FISH
	2763	PLANET
	3661	NEWSPAPER
28/29 Dec	2572	WEAPON
	3160	DRINK
	3563	CHEESE
29/30 Dec	2769	COLOUR
	2865	SOAP
	3360	BEER
30/31 Dec	2471	DOG
	3063	CAR
	3761	SPORT
31/1 Jan	2669	TOOTHPASTE
	2765	HEADDRESS
	3562	COUNTRY
1/2 Jan	2473	STATE
	2867	RANK
	3264	AUTHOR
2/3 Jan	2570	MAGAZINE
	3062	OCEAN
	3660	CLOTHING
3/4 Jan	2672	ACTOR
	3061	CITY
	3663	DRINK
4/5 Jan	2674	FRUIT
	2864	CAR
	3262	SPORT
5/6 Jan	2571	BIRD
	3066	RIVER
	3463	CHEESE
6/7 Jan	2869	DOG
	2964	RANK
	3561	WEAPON
7/8 Jan	2670	COLOUR
	3263	FLOWER
	3660	CITY

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THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN REGIMENT

1 DEC - 31 DEC 66

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24 Dec 66

CHRISTMAS POLICY

General

1. The aim of this instruction is to detail 6 RAR policy over the Christmas period to ensure that
 - a. Companies can celebrate the festive period freed of operational responsibilities as far as is possible.
 - b. Prevent VC military exploitation of the cease fire period.
 - c. Ensure the safety of friendly forces.

Mission

2. 6 RAR is to secure 1 ATF Area within its area of responsibility and be capable of reacting in strength to enemy offensive action.

Concept of Operations

3. 6 RAR is to provide.
 - a. Each twenty four hour period. Three platoon patrols within the unit sector, one patrol to be located in the HOA LONG area.
 - b. One rifle company plus one Mortar section on 30 mins notice to move.
4. No offensive actions are to be carried out except in response to enemy initiated action. Examples of enemy action are:
 - a. Enemy attack on 1 ATF base
 - b. Movement of armed combat elements toward 1 ATF base, friendly forces or friendly villages.
 - c. Violation of curfews.
5. No H and I targets are to be fired.
6. No preplanned airstrikes are to be made.
7. In the event of contact occurring artillery and air support of patrols is available.

Timings

8. Christmas cease fire from 240700H to 260700H

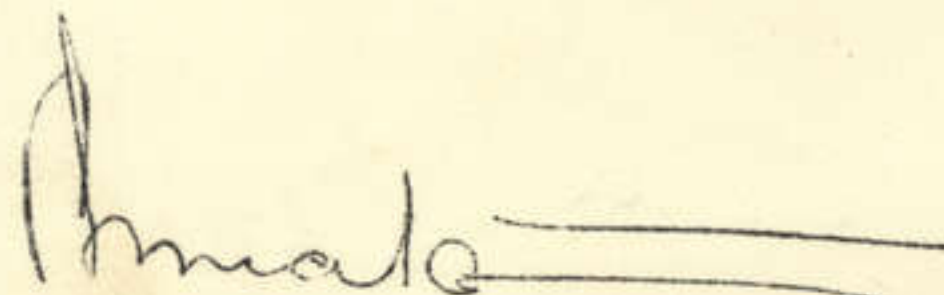
Allocation of Tasks

9. Refer forecast of activities already issued. In the event of the reaction force being called out, all Christmas functions will cease and 6 RAR will be placed on 1 hours notice to move.

Incidents/Contacts

10. All incidents/contacts however minor must be reported to TOC 6 RAR as soon as possible

Distribution: List A


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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

Quote in Reply
R193-1-6

HQ 1 ATF
NUI DAT
26 Dec 66


List A, D.

STAFF DUTIES

1. A review of signals received by this headquarters from all units indicates a considerable lack of thought by originators of signals in signal text compilation.
2. In the interests of efficiency and to enable rapid staff action on unit requests or submissions, the following simple procedure should be followed.
 - a. If a signal is to be received by a specific appointment, the text should begin, "For _____" e.g., "For GS02 Ops".
 - b. The subject matter should always be stated. e.g., "In Theatre Increments - Q Series Tables".
 - c. Any reference signal or file number, with the date and month of origination should follow. e.g., "Your SD 3791 of 220700Z Dec 66".
3. Unit cooperation in this matter is requested

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GS02 Ops/Air

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MESSAGE FORM

PRIORITY

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FROM 6 RAP

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WNG O (.) Op DUCK (.) FIRST (.) 6 RAP will move to secure route 15 between PHU MY and BAPLA on 14 Dec 66 (.) SECOND (.) Responsibilities B Coy 253745 (incl br) to 254691 (.) A Coy to 283644 (.) C Coy to 324610 (.) D Coy to 375610 (incl br) (.) Bn HQ with Aslt Pnr Pl (less one sect) in fire sp base area 275653 (.) Min sect with each A and D Coys (.) THIRD (.) Atts (to be cfm) Engr team each coy (.) Sect APC each coy (.) FOURTH (.) Adm and Log (.) one day C rat one day one man on the man (.) Subsequent resup by rd (.) FIFTH (.) Base def (.) Min 20 men to be left in base locs each coy (.) SIXTH (.) Planning conference 121030 H (.) orders 131530 H (.) SEVENTH (.) Anticipate recce by road morning 13 Dec to select coy base areas and cfm Bn HQ loc

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Adm Comd

P. M. M. M. M. Maj

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6 RAR
NUI DAT
131500H Dec 66

Cp O 1-12-66 (Op DUCK)

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Time Zone - HOTEL

1. SIT

a. En Forces Annex A

b. Friendly Forces

- (1) 173d Abn Bde (Sep) operating NORTH of PHU MY YS 25474.
- (2) 3 SAS Sqn are to deploy surveillance ptls in vicinity NUI DANH Hills YS 3363 and NUI THI VAI Hills YS 2971 from D minus 1 to D plus 6.
- (3) ARVN/RF/PF outposts. Locs Annex B. Sector has been requested to limit ARVN/RF/PF movement to within 200m of outposts for duration of Op.
- (4) LO's from 173 Abn Bde and Sector HQ att to HQ 6 RAR.

c. Atts and Dets

- (1) Under Comd: (excl admin) as from 141400H Dec 66.
One tp (+ 1 Sect) 1 APC Sqn
One Coy 5 RAR
- (2) In Direct Sp - and under comd for mov-101 Fd Bty RAA.
- (3) In Direct Sp - as from 141200H.
One HL3 161 (Indep) Recce Flt.
- (4) In Sp
1 Fd Regt RAA (-)
1 Bn 83 US Arty
2 UHIB 9 Sqn RAAF (on standby at KANGAROO)
Lt Fire Team USAF
FAC USAF
- (5) On standby 1 ATF Base loc
Combat Engr Dml Teams.
- (6) In location
Det Vietnamese police

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2. MSN

6 RAR is to secure Highway 15 from BAPLA YS 375010 to PHU MY YS 253744 for veh convoys from 0900 hrs to 1600 hrs daily 15 - 20 Dec 66.

3. EXECUTIONa. Concept of Ops

- (1) 6 RAR moves from base loc by veh D - 1.
- (2) Coys move to AOs to Coy bases to be in loc by H + 2 hrs, D - 1.
- (3) Coys with APCs conduct clearance of highway 15 by 0900 hrs daily within Coy areas of responsibility for the period 15 - 20 Dec 66.
- (4) Continue patrolling during movement of convoys
- (5) Ambush by ni likely en approaches to Highway 15
- (6) On conclusion of Op extraction by veh and/or APC to base loc.

b. A Coy(1) GroupingUnder Comd

One Sect + APC Sqn

One Sect Mor Pl

(2) Coy base YS 254731

(3) Tasks

- (a) Secure Highway 15 from incl br YS 253744 to excl track YS 253691 from 0900 hrs - 1600 hrs D - D + 5
- (b) By ni ambush likely en approaches into Coy AO, within 6 RAR area of responsibility.
- (c) Ps prepared to estb rd blocks assisted by Vietnamese Police.

c. B Coy(1) GroupingUnder Comd

One Sect + APC Sqn

(2) Coy base YS 272664

(3) Tasks

- (a) Secure sur area YS 275653 by 1000 hrs D - 1 and remain in loc until released by En HQ.
- (b) Secure Highway 15 from incl track YS 253691 to excl creek YS 282644 from 0900 - 1600 hrs D - D + 5
- (c) By ni ambush likely en approaches into Coy AO within 6 RAR area of responsibility
- (d) Be prepared to estb rd blocks assisted by Vietnamese Police.

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d. C Coy

(1) Grouping

Under Comd

One sect 1 APC Sqn

(2) Coy base YS 293627

(3) Tasks

(a) Secure Highway 15 from incl creek YS 282644 to excl YS 323670 from 0900 - 1600 hrs D - D + 5.

(b) By ni ambush likely en approaches into Coy AO within 6 RAR area of responsibility.

(c) Be prepared to estb rd blocks assisted by Vietnamese Police.

e. D Coy

(1) Grouping

Under Comd

Onesect 1 APC Sqn

Onesect Mor Pl

(2) Tasks

(a) Secure Highway 15 from incl YS 323610 to incl br YS 375610 from 0900 - 1600 hrs D - D + 5

(b) By ni ambush likely en approaches into Coy AO within 6 RAR area of responsibility

(c) Be prepared to estb rd blocks assisted by Vietnamese Police.

f. Mor Pl.

(1) Grouping

One sect under comd ea A Coy and D Coys.

To report Coy locs by 1015 hrs D - 1

Mov by $\frac{1}{2}$ ton vehs and ttrs.

One sect remains base loc for local def.

(2) Tasks

Close Sr as required .. clearance to fire, as normal.

g. Aslt Pnr Pl

(1) Two sects mov with B. HQ. To report HQ 6 RAR by no later than 1030 hrs D - 1. One sect remains base loc for local def.

(2) Tasks

(a) Def of Bn HQ

(b) Supplement rifle Coys as required.

(c) Assistance to Coys in clearance booby traps.

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- n. Arty
Normal at . Details of fire tasks to be advised.
- i. 1 APC Sqn
(1) Grouping
One sect under comd ea A Coy B Coy C Coy D Coy from 1600 hrs D - 1.
Sp Hq with HQ 6 RAR.
(2) Tasks
(a) Shift D Coy 5 RAR from base 340611 to fire base 275653 when 5 RAR convoy reaches BARTA.
(b) Clearance of Highway 15 as ordered by Coy Comds.
- j. Coy 5 RAR
(1) Tasks
(a) Secure fire base YS 275653 from 1600 hrs D - 1.
(b) Responsible for protection of fire base for duration of Cp.
(c) Other tasks as detailed by Adm Comd 6 RAR.
- k. Avn
(1) 161 (Indep) Recce Flt
One H13 in DS 6 RAR as from H hr D - 1
Held on standby at Bn HQ. Tasks as directed.
(2) Lt Fire Team
In sp 6 RAR. Held on standby at KANGAROO
(3) 9 Sqn RAAF
Two UH1B on standby at KANGAROO from 0800 - 1700 hrs daily as from H hr D - 1.
(4) USAF
FAC ac to cover 1 ATF AO from 0800 - 1730 hrs daily.
- l. Coord Instrs
(1) Base Def
(a) Maj R Sinclair is appointed Comd 6 RAR Rear for duration of Cp. He will be responsible for Coord and coord of def of base.
(b) Coys will leave a minimum of 15 pers ea Coy, for local def. A NCO will be appointed IC ea Coy gp.

(2) Mov from Base loc

- (a) Vehs repair Coy locs twenty minutes prior to mov time.
- (b) Order of march and departure times

101 Fd Bty RAA	1000 hrs
A Coy	1100 hrs
Bn HQ (incl Aslt for PL)	1120 hrs
C Coy	1140 hrs
D Coy	1200 hrs

(3) Route

SOUTH on TL 2 to BARIA YS 3760 then WEST along TL 15 to Coy base locs

Reps from recce party to be in lead veh.

(4) D Day 15 Dec 66.(5) H hr 1200 hrs D minus 1.(6) Convoy mov

HQ 5 RAR will advise Coys of the fol info.

- (a) Number of vehs in Convoy
- (b) Estimated time of convoys through BARIA and PHU MY
- (c) When convoy mov is completed for the day

(7) 5 RAR return mov

Vehs taking 6 RAR to locs will uplift 5 RAR for return to base as fols commencing approx 1400 hrs D - 1:

Arty vehs 103 Fd Bty from 255685
 A Coy vehs B Coy 5 RAR from 255736
 Bn HQ vehs Bn HQ 5 RAR from 255685
 C Coy vehs C Coy 5 RAR from 254687
 D Coy vehs A Coy 5 RAR from 286633

(8) Liaison

- (a) LO from 173 Air Borne Bde and Sector BARIA will be loc Bn HQ
- (b) Sub units should contact RF/PF forces in their AO to permit them not to stray beyond 200 metres from their posts.

(9) Re blocks

- (a) If ordered to estb rd blocks coy will be allocated Vietnamese police to assist.
- (b) Aust tps are NOT to search Vietnamese personnel. This will be done by police
- (c) Aust tps may however search vehs and stores.

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(10) Booby Traps have been loc in the AC. Some of these have been laid by RE/PF

Some by VC. Care must be taken at all times particularly near objects such as wire, sandbags etc.

(11) Defence stores

Each Coy will carry min 10 coils demert for base det.

4. ADMIN AND LOG

a. Ammo Minimum first line on the man

b. Rats. 2 days on the man. (1 - 6, 1 - 24 hr)

c. Water (1) Max on the man. Local water not to be used. Resup will be arranged daily. Coys to take 20 full jerrycans on initial move.

(2) 6 RAR will resup D Coy 5 RAR with water.

d. Resup

(1) AC sect will NOT move with Bn HQ.

(2) Sub units are to pass demands directly to echelon either by flicking to AC Net or by returning water resup veh.

(3) Other than water, resup will take place every second day.

e. Med

(1) RA? loc Bn HQ

(2) Full anti-malarial precautions to be taken incl mosquito nets per man

(3) Evac by hel or veh.

f. Canteen

As required with resup incl beer and gofers when avail

5. COMD AND SIG

a. Bn HQ moves as third serial to new loc. Departing base loc 1120 hrs D - 1.

b. During Op; loc fire base YS 274653

c. Radio - Comd Net freq

d. Line

(1) Coys - nil

(2) Within Bn HQ line will be laid to

Coy 5 RAR

Asst Pnr Pl

Bn HQ sectors

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c. Points of Origin New pts of origin for each Coy. Annex C.

Ack Instrs Ack

B PASSEI
Admin Comd 6 RAR

Annexes A In Sit
B ARVN/RE/PF locs
C Points of Origin

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DISTRIBUTION

LIST F Plus

HQ 1 ATF	17
1 APC Sqn	2
1 Fd Regt RAA	7
1 Fd Sqn RAE	1
5 RAR	2
3 SAS Sqn	1
67 GL Sect	1
161 (Indep) Recce Flt	1
SPARE	1

ARVN/PF/RF LOS

1. ARVN - III.
2. RF
578 RF Coy YS 232642
609 RF Coy YS 250679
701 RF Coy YS 254745
787 RF Coy YS 254714
3. PF
3 PF Pl YS 364610
4 PF Pl YS 356614
5 PF Pl YS 320612
6 PF Pl YS 326610
7 PF Pl YS 381616
8 PF Pl YS 325610
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11 PF Pl YS 300614
12 PF Pl YS 300614
13 PF Pl YS 308609
14 PF Pl YS 376612

PERSONAL NAMES OF ORIGIN OF DUCK

14	Dec	2673	SPORT
		2863	CITY
		2963	BEER
		3562	EXPLORER
15	Dec	2871	CAR
		2668	SHIP
		3064	CIGARETTE
		3360	LANGUAGE
16	Dec	2670	GENERAL
		2866	BIRD
		3062	TREE
		3463	GIRL
17	Dec	2772	DRUG
		2967	PLANET
		3161	BEER
		3661	CAR
18	Dec	2571	ACTOR
		2869	CIGARETTE
		2863	COMPOSER
		3363	TREE
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		3560	CIGARETTE
20	Dec	2674	BIRD
		2865	DRUG
		2964	FRUIT
		3361	SHIP
21	Dec	2671	HOTEL
		2766	HEADRESS
		2962	STATE
		3461	ANIMAL

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- 30 6 Dec YS 2675 11 ACR on 6 Dec. Contacts with 3 VC, 1VCC stated he was from a 14 man patrol. Base camp located near a pagoda at YS 293714. Task of his patrol was tax collection along highway 15. VC were armed with US carbine, Thompson SMGs and French carbines. They also had claymore mines.
- 31 9 Dec PHU MY info from a VC 2 days ago giving the names of 2 VC in PHU MY. These turned out to be the chief of police (who escaped) and the chairman of the village council who subsequently gave the names of a further 15 VC.
- 32 9 Dec YS 282687 Info from PF soldier to 5 RAR > VC.
- 33 10 Dec Coord. 252 Two AR. Coys on night infiltration course near a camp (ARVN) were attacked and camp overrun. ARVN had their wpns stacked and only had blank ammo. A 57 RCL opened up the attack by VC who were only 600 yds from the perimeter wire. The shot hit the Command Post killing the Commander and knocking out the radio net. The main attack was from the EAST but they had approached from and withdrew to the NORTH. A 12.7 wpn was also used. Captured by the VC were 79 rifles. FF losses 11 KIA, 27 WIA, 184 MIA, 3 children KIA, 2 civilians WIA.
ARVN states that the VC were from the 265 Bn of 274 Dang Nai Regt.
- 34 10 Dec YS 292681 B/5RAR found squad size installation which was one week old.

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- 35 10 Dec YS 275653 A/5 RAR found an old enemy ambush position 30 metres from the road consisting of 10 wpn pits over a distance of 100 metres. Site approx. 2 months old.
- 36 10 Dec YS 2961 EAST side of creek, keel marks of 3 sampans approx 24 hrs old.
- 37 10 Dec YS 260643 Approx VC platoon purpose not known. Individual wpns. Reliable source.
- 38 11 Dec YS 288666 1 month old pits with OHP size 100 metres by 140 metres.
- 39 12 Dec YS 272752 E/17 Cav US received 17 rounds AW fire in helicopter. NO hits
- 40 12 Dec YS 288720 5 RAR detected 3 VC dressed in black LFP engaged. NO results
- 41 12 Dec YS 262747 5 RAR contacted 2 VC, 1 KIA, 1 WIA who withdrew NORTH.
- 42 6 Dec YS 347630 D/5 1200H found 4 huts, 1 of which had lighted candles in it after searching a Nun.
- 43 6 Dec YS 347634 5 RAR found small pagoda being used as an OP.
- 44 8 Dec YS 273652 C/5 detonated a booby trap of unknown origin.
- 45 8 Dec YS 280662 ARVN found one 75mm RR round hidden in bushes.

6 RAR
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OPERATION DUCK
COMBAT OPERATIONS AFTER ACTION REPORT

- References:
- A. 1 ATF SOP Annex A, Appendix 4.
 - B. 1 ATF Opord 1-17-66 (OP DUCK) of 130800H Dec 66.
 - C. 6 RAR OPO 1-12-66 (OP DUCK) of 131600H Dec 66.
 - D. Maps: VIETNAM 1:50,000 sheets 6430 111 6429 1V.
VIETNAM 1.25000 Pictomap Supplement.

Name and Type of Operations.

- 1. Operation DUCK, route security operation.

Dates of Operation.

- 2. Phase 1 140730H Dec 66 - 231600H Dec 66
Phase 2 271340H Dec 66 - 051545H Jan 67.

Location.

- 3. Route 15 from YS353612 to YS254744.

Command Headquarters.

- 4. HQ 6 RAR.

Liaison.

- 5. a. 6 RAR requested liaison officers from 173 AB Bde (Sep) and from BARIA Sector to be attached to HQ 6 RAR for liaison with 173 Bde to the NORTH and RE/PF troops inside our AO. These were not made available. A Warrant Officer from Sector BARIA did report to 6 RAR but he had no communications and did not know RE/PF dispositions.
- b. For DUCK phase 2 a Liaison Officer was attached to 6 RAR from the US Army Unit (1/5 Mech Bn) controlling convoy movement and maintained communication on the convoy net.
- 6. a. No information was received by 6 RAR prior to DUCK phase 1 on the system of control of the convoys, details of check points, traffic control etcetera nor on the action that would be taken by US troops in the event of enemy action. This was information which should have been made available to the unit.
- b. Prior to DUCK phase 2 the 2IC 6 RAR attended a conference at BEAM CAT at which the above details were discussed and therefore made known to the battalion. This should be SOP.

Task Organization.

- 7. 6 RAR with:
 - a. Under Command.
One tp (plus one sect) 1 APC Sqn (except for rationing and replenishment of ammunition and POL)
Coy 5 RAR.
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101 Fd Bty RAA (under command for movement).
One HL3 161 (Indep) Recce Flt.

c. In Support.

1 Fd Regt RAA (less one bty).
1/83 US Arty.
Two UH1B 9 Sqn RAAF.
Lt Fire Team US Army Air.
FAC (Airborne).

d. On Standby at 1 ATF Base.

Combat Engr Dml Teams.

• Strength 6 RAR.

8. It is of interest to note that 6 RAR strength in the field for DUCK phase 1 was only 420 and included one rifle company of 65 men only. This was caused mainly by an unusually large number in hospital (85) and in addition by loss of soldiers on R and R, courses, Saigon Guard and those required for base defence.

Supporting Forces.

9. Tp (plus one sect) 1 APC Sqn.

a. Phases 1 and 2.

(1) The troop was used initially to move part of the battalion into its area of operations. Once the battalion was deployed, one section of APCs was placed under command of each company and moved to that company's base location.

(2) Sections were used by companies to:

(a) Carry out in conjunction with Infantry the initial daily clearance of route 15.

(b) Route picqueting.

(c) Escort of supply vehicles.

(d) Patrolling in depth.

(e) Troop lift.

(3) On completion of the operation the APCs were used to lift part of 6 RAR back to its base at NUI DAT YS4467.

(4) The APCs were invaluable on this operation and it is doubtful whether the battalion could have carried out its task without their assistance.

(5) It is suggested however that in future operations of this type, that the command element of the APCs be distinct from the troop carrying sections. It is wrong in principle for the troop commander to be under command of a rifle company for operations and still be expected to exercise overall command of the APCs, and be an adviser to the CO. This situation was caused by the APC troop being two tracks deficient.

./ 10 101 Fd Bty

10. 101 Fd Bty RAA.
- a. Phases 1 and 2.
- (1) In order to provide an effective coverage of 6 RAR area the Battery deployed by vehicle to fire positions at:
- (a) Phase 1 - YS275653
(b) Phase 2 - YS274655
- b. Artillery was used on H and I, DF and opportunity targets. On those targets where it was possible to assess the effectiveness of fire, rounds were on target.
11. 1 Fd Regt RAA (-). The regiment was placed in support of 6 RAR to cover movement into and out of the area of operation. This fire support was not used.
12. 1/83 US Arty. Not used by 6 RAR.
13. Coy 5 RAR. A Company of 5 RAR was used to protect the Fire Base during both phases.
14. Air.
- a. 161 (Indep) Recce Flt.
- (1) One H13 aircraft was placed in direct support of 6 RAR for the duration of the operation.
- (2) Tasks carried out were:
- (a) Command.
(b) Route surveillance.
(c) Liaison duties.
(e) Communication relay.
(f) Target registration and fire correction.
(g) Reconnaissance.
- (3) All tasks were carried out with the customary efficiency one has learnt to expect from 161 (Indep) Recce Flt and once again illustrates the value of a small rotary wing aircraft being allocated in direct support of an Infantry Battalion.
- b. 9 Sqn RAAF. UH1B aircraft were used on numerous occasions during the operation. Tasks performed were:
- (1) Troop lift.
(2) Stores lift.
(3) Casualty evacuation.
- All tasks were carried out efficiently and quickly.
- c. Lt Fire Team US Army Air. Not used during this operation.
- d. FAC (Airborne). Not used during this operation.
15. 3 SAS Sqn. Whilst not directly supporting 6 RAR, SAS patrols were operating to the EAST and NORTH of 6 RAR AO. Although assurances were given by 1 ATF that SAS would be well away from 6 RAR's area the "No fire zone" resulting from their operations was in some places only 3000 metres from route 15. This restriction caused excessive delays in supporting fire for 6 RAR patrols in depth. These restrictions were not made known until the unit had deployed. It is recommended that in future a unit which is to have SAS providing a screen should be:

/ a. Consulted prior

- a. Consulted prior to the operation, and
- b. Informed of the intentions of SAS patrols.

16. RF/PF.

a. These forces were located in villages, on bridges and in forts along the route within 6 RAR AO. In many ways they were a liability as:

- (1) They fire their weapons indiscriminately.
- (2) They booby trap the area.
- (3) Because of the above it is not practicable to patrol close to their locations.

b. It is appreciated that they cannot be evacuated from the area prior to an operation and the solution reached by this unit was for sub units to liaise direct with the RF/PF post in their areas and make it quite clear that any movement more than 200 metres from the post would be considered by us to be hostile and would be dealt with accordingly.

Intelligence.

17. Information on enemy forces is attached as Annex A to this report. This information was obtained from all sources.

18. Terrain.

a. Throughout 6 RAR area of responsibility the road is generally elevated from the surrounding country and is clear to a distance varying from 100 metres to 400 metres either side of the road.

b. Beyond this distance on the SOUTHERN and WESTERN side there are mangrove swamps which provide covered approaches to the road. On the NORTHERN and EASTERN side the vegetation varies from low scrub to thick forest and offers unlimited covered avenues of approach.

c. Further to the NORTH and EAST of the road two hill features, NUI DINH centre of mass YS3465, and NUI THI VAI centre of mass YS2970, provided unlimited observation of Route 15.

d. Critical features on the route are:

- (1) Bridge YS353612
- (2) Bridge YS306610
- (3) Culvert YS303612
- (4) Bridge YS291626
- (5) Culvert YS282644
- (6) Culvert YS274652
- (7) Culvert YS263673
- (8) Culvert YS253730

e. Weather in the Area was extremely hot and generally fine, however rain fell on 3 days during both phases.

Civic Action.

19. Some civic action was carried out in the villages along route 15 in particular AP LONG CAT YS2961. This took the form mainly of distribution of food, Medcap and Dentcap.

The villagers were friendly but no information of value was received.

Within minutes of leaving positions on the completion of each phase the locals overran the position and dug up all pits leaving refuse scattered throughout the area. It would appear that nothing can be done to prevent this. Assurance that nothing of value had been left had no effect on the villagers - "Hope springs eternal".

Mission.

20. 6 RAR was to secure Highway 15 from BARIA YS375610 to PHU MY YS253744 for vehicle convoys from 0900 hours to 1600 hours daily, 15 Dec - 20 Dec, 28 Dec - 5 Jan 67.

Execution.

21. Concept of Operations.

- a. 6 RAR moves from Base by vehicle D-1.
- b. Companies move to areas of operations to company bases to be in location by H+2 hours D-1.
- c. Companies with APCs conduct clearance of Route 15 by 0900 hours daily within company areas of responsibility for the period 15-20 Dec 66, 28 Dec 66 - 5 Jan 67.
- d. Continue patrolling during movement of convoys including patrolling in depth to check likely staging areas and routes.
- e. Ambush by night likely enemy approaches to Route 15.
- f. On conclusion of the operation extraction by vehicle and/or APCs to Base location.

22. Sequence of Events.

a. 13 Dec 66. 1 ATF Op Ord 1-17-66 (OP DUCK) received at 0900 hrs. At 1600 hrs 6 RAR OP O 1-12-66 (OP DUCK) completed and issued at a verbal briefing.

b. 14 Dec 66.

(1) Commencing at 1100 hours 6 RAR moved by vehicle into the Unit area of responsibility (Annex P). Companies moved to their area of operations (Annex P) and established temporary bases.

(2) Company locations were.

- (a) A Coy YS254731
- (b) B Coy YS272664
- (c) C Coy YS293627
- (d) D Coy YS338614
- (e) HQ 6 RAR YS275652

c. 15 Dec-22 Dec.

(1) Companies patrolled their areas of operations to secure Route 15.

(2) One contact occurred during this period. At 1115 hours 18 Dec 8 Pl C Coy contacted two VC at YS318626. Nil casualties to either side.

d. 23 Dec 66.

Commencing at 1330 hours 6 RAR moved by vehicle to its Base location. Operation DUCK Phase 1 concluded.

e. 27 Dec 66.

(1) 6 RAR moved by APCs and vehicles from LANG PHUOC HAI YS5153 into the Unit area of responsibility. Companies moved into their areas of operations and established temporary bases.

./ (2) Company

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(a)	A Coy	YS252725
(b)	B Coy	YS270658
(c)	C Coy	YS294624
(d)	D Coy	YS330618
(e)	HQ 6 RAR	YS271655.

f. 28 Dec 66 - 4 Jan 67. Companies patrolled their areas of operations to secure Route 15. There were NIL contacts during this period.

g. 5 Jan 67. Commencing at 1345 hours 6 RAR moved by APCs and vehicles to its Base location. Operation DUCK phase 2 concludes.

23. Attached as Annexes B, C, D, and E are Sub Unit Operation Analysis.

24. Results.

a. There were no incidents which could be construed as enemy attempts to interfere with the movement of the convoys.

b. Own casualties were 5 WIA accidentally from one booby trap set in the vicinity of a culvert by ARVN.

Administration.

25. Resupply was by road. No problems were encountered.

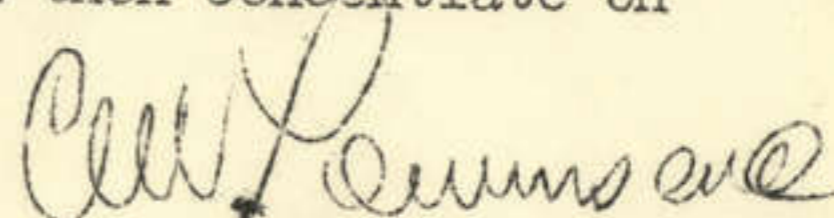
Commander's Analysis.

26. This operation was successful in that there was NO enemy interference to the movement of convoys within 6 RAR's AO during both occasions the highway was secured.

27. The VC would have had a capability to interfere with road movement, by sniping, mines and booby traps and destruction of bridges or culverts. However with the probable enemy threat as assessed at the time, the battalion adequately carried out its task. Had the threat been any greater than the assessment indicated, The distance given to the battalion to secure would have been far to great. In the event 25000 metres of road were included in the AO and in the presence of anything like a sizeable threat, one Infantry Battalion would have been insufficient to secure, picquet and patrol in depth.

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Lieutenant-Colonel
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ANNEX A TO 6 RAR COMBAT
OPERATIONS AFTER ACTION
REPORT OP DUCK

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- 27 4 Dec YS277679 B Coy 5 RAR. 1 Chicom friction grenade.
- 28 6 Dec YS234713 C Coy 5 RAR located a boat hide in which boats had only recently been removed.
- 29 6 Dec 5 RAR located a 3 man OP recently used, at YS339635.
- 30 6 Dec YS2675 11 ACR on 6 Dec. Contacts with 3 VC, 1 VC stated he was from a 14 man patrol. Base camp located near a pagoda at YS293714. Task of his patrol was tax collection along highway 15. VC were armed with US carbine, Thompson SMGs and French carbines. They also had claymore mines.
- 31 9 Dec PHU MY information from a VC 2 days ago giving the names of 2 VC in PHU MY. These turned out to be the chief of police (who escaped and the chairman of the village council who subsequently gave the names of a further 15 VC.
- 32 9 Dec YS282687 Information from PF soldier to 5 RAR 5 VC.
- 33 10 Dec Co-ord 3562. Two ARVN Coys on night infiltration course near a camp (ARVN) were attacked and camp overrun. ARVN had their weapons stacked and only had blank ammo. A 57 RCL opened up the attack by VC who were only 6 ft away from the perimeter wire. The shot hit the Command Post killing the Commander and knocking out the radio net. The main attack was from the EAST but the enemy had approached from and withdrew to the NORTH. A 12.7 weapon was also used. Captured by the VC were 79 rifles. Friendly forces losses 11 killed in action, 27 wounded in action, 184 missing in action, 3 children killed in action, 2 civilians wounded in action.

ARVN states that the VC were from the 265 Bn of 274 Dang Nai Regt.
- 34 10 Dec YS292681 B/5 RAR found squad size installation which was one

week old.

- 35 10 Dec YS275653 A/5 RAR found an old enemy ambush position 30 metres from the road consisting of 10 weapon pits over a distance of 100 metres. Site approximately 2 months old.
- 36 10 Dec YS2961 EAST side of creek, keel marks of 3 sampans approx 24 hours old.
- 37 10 Dec YS260643 Approx VC platoon purpose not known. Individual weapons. Reliable source.
- 38 11 Dec YS288666 1 month old pits with over head protection size 100 metres by 140 metres.
- 39 12 Dec YS272752 E/17 Cav US received 17 rounds AW fire in helicopter. NO hits.
- 40 12 Dec YE288720 5 RAR detected 3 VC dressed in black LFT engaged, NO results.
- 41 12 Dec YS262747 5 RAR contacted 2 VC, 1 killed in action, 1 wounded in action who withdrew NORTH.
- 42 6 Dec YS347630 D/5 1200H found 4 huts, 1 of which had lighted candles in it after searching a Nun.
- 43 6 Dec YS347634 5 RAR found small pagoda being used as an OP.
- 44 8 Dec YS 273652 C/5 detonated a booby trap of unknown origin.
- 45 8 Dec YS 280662 ARVN found one 75mm RR round hidden in bushes.

ANNEX B TO 6 RAR COMBAT
OPERATIONS AFTER ACTION
REPORT OP DUCK

SUBUNIT OPERATION ANALYSIS

1. Sub Unit A Coy 6 RAR
2. Comd Maj O J O'BRIEN
3. Operation Name Operation Duck
4. Duration
Duck I - 14 -23 Dec 66
Duck II - 27 Dec 66 - 5 Jan 67
5. Sequence of Events
 - a. 14 Dec 66 - moved by road to operation area.
14 Dec 66 - 23 Dec 66 - patrolled area of responsibility, secured road as directed by CO 6 RAR.
 - b. 27 Dec 66 - 5 Jan 67 - as above.
 - c. 30 Dec 66 - a company patrol with two platoons was conducted into area YS 285709. Mission was to search for a previously reported enemy camp which had (reportedly) never been cleared, and destroy enemy encountered. A well constructed hut, probably a rice storage hut, was found at YS 283711. It was empty and the company demolished it. The camp was deserted and previously burned out by friendly troops.
 - d. At YS 283713 a natural cavern in the ground was discovered and searched. It contained a body wrapped in plastic, presumably that of a VC. The body had decomposed and had probably been there for 3 - 6 months.
 - e. On the night 31 Dec/1 Jan, several lights were seen to move from the East into the boat point YS 250740 at 1930 hrs, and out again to the East, at 0300 hrs. Several boats were seen to be moored there next morning. This may have been a VC resupply activity.
6. Assessment - successful insofar as no VC attempt to interdict the road was made.

O J O'BRIEN Maj
OC A COMPANY 6 RAR

7. CO's Comments
Nil.

C M Townsend Lt Col
CO 6 RAR

ANNEX C TO 6 RAR COMBAT
OPERATIONS AFTER ACTION
REPORT OP DUCK

OPERATION DUCK
B COY OPERATIONAL ANALYSIS

Map: XA BINH BA 1 : 50,000.

1. B Coy 6 RAR.
2. Major I. B. Mackay.
3. Operation DUCK 1 and 2.
4. 14-23 Dec 66 and 27 Dec 66-5Jan 67.
5. B Coy Tasks
 - a. Phase 1. Secure highway 15 from incl track YS253691 to excluding creek YS282644 from base at XS273662.
 - b. Phase 2. Secure the same area of highway 15 as for Phase 1 from base at YS271655.
 - c. Sequence of Events.

Serial	Date/Time	Event	Place	Comment
a	b	c	d	e
1.	140800	Move by APC from 5 RAR gun area on Route 15 to secure 6 RAR Bn HQ and gun area	YS275652	
2.	141200	Released from under command 5 RAR		
3.	141300	Moved up Route 15 to base	YS273662	
4.	15-23 Dec	Cleared road with patrols and APCs each morning within area of operations and picquetted for convoy movement		
5.	21 Dec	Patrolled to examine area at YS289676 and located camp of approx 50 pits.	YS287676	See VC Installation report attached
6.	231410	Returned to NUI DAT		
7.	271320	Moved by APC from LANG PHOUC HAI area to secure Bn HQ and gun area for Op DUCK 2.	YS496522	
8.	271340	CD Mine detonated in centre of road south of AP LO GOM just as leading APC was approaching a bridge.	YS531541	Wire from mine led off to the LEFT
9.	271440	Secured Bn HQ and gun area	YS273654	
10.	271600	Moved to Coy position	YS271655	
11.	27 Dec 66 5 Jan 67	Cleared Route 15 with patrol and APC's each morning within area of operations and picquetted for convoy movement.		

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OPERATIONS AFTER ACTION
REPORT OP DUCK

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12. 28 Dec Coy patrolled NE up the SUOI NGOI. Located old camp, a mortar base plate position and a quantity of .30 calibre ammunition. YS283666
13. 051350 Moved by vehicle and APC to NUI DAT.

6. Assessment of Operations.

- a. The Americans moved a large force of men and material through the battalion area of responsibility without incident.
- b. It is recommended that a patrol be sent into the area of the source of the SUOI NGOI in sq 2970 and that the area at 274652 be kept under observation as an alleged VC tax collection point on Route 15.

J B Mackay Maj
OC B Coy
7 Jan 67

7. CO's Comments

Nil.

C M Townsend Lt Col
CC 6 RAR

APPENDIX 1 TO ANNEX C TO
6 RAR COMBAT OPERATIONS
AFTER ACTION REPORT -OP DUCK

RESTRICTED
INSTALLATION REPORT

Submitted by comds who have observed any type of VC installation e.g. Pits, Tunnels, Camps, Caches and ambush positions.

Report on installation...CAMP.....at GR....287676.....

at ...1430...Hrs.21.Dec.Date...Cpl.R.W.Jones...By

1. Type of installation (hamlet, bunkers, complexes, single bunker, weapon pits, trenches, panjis)
Weapon Pits.
2. Area covered by installations (in square yards)
40000 square yards.
3. Defensive layout (answer following questions and any more details that can be given).
 - a. Were there weapon pits and tunnels.
 - (1) Weapon pits only.....^{Yes}.....
 - (2) Tunnels and pits.....
 - (3) Tunnels only.....
 - b. Were there tunnels and pits interconnecting, and if so to what extent?
 - c. Depth underground of tunnels
 - d. Type of construction used.
 - (1) Tunnels.....
 - (2) Weapon pits.....^{Usual VC design}.....
 - e. Number of tunnels and pits and unit or sub unit you estimate would occupy them^{Approx 50 Coy plus}.....
 - f. Direction pits were facing.....^{N S E and W}.....
 - g. Were the pits:
 - (1) Individual
 - (2) 2 man
 - (3) 3 man
 - (4) Crew served weapon.....if so what type
 - h. How old were:
 - (1) Pits 6 - 9 months old
 - (2) Tunnels
 - (3) Bunkers
 - (4) Any other installations.
 - j. Was the defensive layout near a river track road for etc
Track
.....
 - k. Were there any early warning posts or devices
5 pits approx 100 yards EAST from the main camp
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ANNEX D TO 6 RAR COMBAT
OPERATIONS AFTER ACTION
REPORT - OF DUCK

OPERATION DUCK 1 AND II
C COY OPERATION ANALYSIS

1. Sub Unit. C Coy 6 RAR
2. Comd. 25632 Maj B W McFarlane
3. Op Name. Op DUCK I and II
4. Duration. 14 - 23 Dec 66 and 27 Dec 66 to 5 Jan 67
5. Outline of Sub Unit tasks.
Security of QL15 in Coy sector during movement of allied convoys.
6. Sequence of Events.
See Appendices 1 and 2
7. Assessment of Operation.
 - a. The operation whilst relatively simple from a Comd point of view was tedious and demanding for the soldiers. They were required to consistently depart from base at first light and spend long hours in open, hot picquet positions.
 - b. The Coy AO was open and provided good going for APC's. The allocation of a sect of APC's Under Command greatly facilitated quick clearing and quick positioning of patrols when convoys were scheduled with little warning to the Coy.
8. Administration.
 - a. The provision of hot box meals was a most welcome change from combat rations.

B. W. McFarlane Maj
OC C Coy
Jan 67

9. CO's Comments

Nil

C M Townsend Lt Col
CO 6 RAR

OP DUCK PHASE 1

Sequence of Events	Comment
(a)	(b)

D - 1 (14 Dec)

1. 141140H. Coy departed NUI DAT by TCV for Coy Op base YS293625.
2. 141240H. Coy arrived YS293625. Area secured and base occupied.
3. 141700H. Pl Comds 8 and 9 Pls moving in Sect APC's contacted RF and PF bases in Coy Sector to ensure these forces knew of our presence and to ensure they did not intend to operate more than 200 metres from their posts.
4. 141700H to 141815H. 7 Platoon conducted sweep around Coy base at a distance of approx 500 metres.
5. 142000H (approx). SA fire heard on a bearing of 1800 mils from Coy base, distance 2000 metres.

- a. Report from D Coy estimated firing to be on a bearing of 5000 Mils distance 3000 metres.
- b. This placed the fire to be to the NE of AP LONG CAT.

Night D - 1/D Day (14-15 Dec)

6. 141830H to 150700H. Ambush by half platoon (8 platoon) on track at YS295629.

D Day (15 Dec)

7. No convoy expected.
8. 150600H. Further small arms fire heard at bearing of 2300 Mils from ambush patrol at YS295627.
9. 15088H. 9 Platoon patrol in NW Sector. 8 Platoon in SE Sector. 7 Platoon base defence and in standing patrol night 15/16 Dec.

This together with information from the previous night placed the firing at about the track junction YS300627.

D + 1 (16 Dec)

10. No convoy expected.
11. 160800H. 8 platoon patrol in NW Sector. 7 Platoon in SE Sector. 9 Platoon base defence and night standing patrol night 16-17 Dec at YS297625.
12. 161400H to 161530H. Additional patrol by one section 9 Platoon to vicinity YS289621.

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D + 2 (17 Dec)

13. One convoy, NORTH to SOUTH.
14. 170700H. 7 Platoon patrol in NW sector. 9 Platoon patrol in SE sector
8 Platoon base defence and night standing patrol night 17/18 Dec YS296625.

D + 3 (18 Dec)

14. No convoy today.
15. 180830H. 9 Platoon patrol in NW sector. 8 Platoon in SE sector. 7 Platoon base defence. Company headquarters standing patrol ni 18/19 Dec at YS293627.
16. 8 Platoon found some .30 calibre cartridge cases at track junction YS300627. See para 8 above.
(may be coincidence)
17. 181115H. 8 Platoon contacted two VC carrying weapons at YS318626. a. No results. See after action report attached.
b. One VC seen to be hit - no blood trail.
c. VC ultimately withdrew SW along general line of creek. 8 Platoon followed up.
18. 181215H. 7 Platoon (less one section) mounted in section APC's moved to blocking position YS305611.
19. 181300. Two single rounds and one automatic burst of light small arms fire into company base YS293625 from SOUTH at vicinity YS293618. a. 7 Platoon on return from task in para 18 swept area - no result.
b. Local villagers stated fire was RE/PF shooting birds.
20. 181445H. Company headquarters recce patrol 500 metres NORTH and EAST of base location. Return to base 181600H.

D + 4 (19 Dec)

21. Convoy move in both directions scheduled for today.
22. 190700H. 8 Platoon patrol in NW sector. 7 Pl in SE sector. 9 platoon base defence and night standing patrol ni. 19/20 Dec, YS295626.

D + 5 (20 Dec)

23. First convoy due 0830H.
24. 200645H. 7 Platoon patrol in NW sector. 200700H. 9 Platoon patrol in SE sector. 8 platoon base defence and night standing patrol night 20-21 Dec YS296625.
25. 202150H. Section APC's with one section 9 Platoon despatched to D Coy location on COs orders to assist with move of D Company elements to check bridge area YS354612.

D + 6 (21 Dec)

D + 6 (21 Dec)

26. First convoy to move into
Battalion area 210830H

27. 210700H. 9 Platoon patrol to NW
sector. 8 Platoon patrol in SE sector.
7 Platoon base defence and night standing
patrol YS315627.

D + 7 (22 Dec)

28. First convoy expected 220930H.

29. 220730H. 8 Platoon patrol to NW
sector. 7 Platoon in SE sector. 9 Platoon
base defence and night standing patrol
night 22/23 Dec YS296627.

D + 8 (23 Dec)

30. First convoy expected 230900H.

31. 230730H. 7 Platoon in NW sector
9 Platoon in SE sector. 8 Platoon base
defence.

32. 231500H. Return to base camp
NUI DAT.

OP DUCK II

Sequence of Events (a)	Comments (b)
<u>D (27 Dec 66)</u>	
1. Coy Base established YS294624.	
<u>D (28 Dec 66)</u>	
2. 280800H. Company less 8 platoon patrol from track junction YS297637 to the NE astride track.	a. No sign of enemy activity. b. The main track showed sign of frequent use by ox carts to YS313661. From that point it showed little sign of use ever by foot traffic. c. From YS297637 to YS313661 there were many side tracks used by woodcutters and with their ox carts.
<u>D to D (29 Dec 66 - 5 Jan 67)</u>	
3. Close patrolling to secure QL 15 for movement of convoys.	
<u>D (5 Jan 67)</u>	
4. Return to Battalion Base NUI DAT.	

SUB-UNIT OPERATION ANALYSIS

1. Sub-Unit: D Coy, with, under comd:
 a. One section APC
 b. One section Mortars
2. Comd: 6776 Maj H.A.SMITH
3. Operation Name: "DUCK"
4. Duration:
 a. Phase 1 : 14 Dec 66 - 24 Dec 66
 b. Phase 2 : 27 Dec 66 - 5 Jan 67
5. Outline of Sub-Unit Tasks:
 Security of Highway 15 between YS 307610 and YS 354613 (both bridges included) for the passage of troop convoys.
6. Sequence of Events:
 A detailed sequence of events is not applicable. The method of conducting the task is outlined in paragraph 7. However, the following details relating to depth patrols is forwarded for information.

Date	Event	Remarks
18 Dec 66	Atk Pl ptl to YS 347635 (Area of old monastery buildings)	Buildings deserted and delapidated. No sign of recent activity.
19 Dec 66	10 Pl ptl to YS 323630 and YS 324626.	No signs of enemy activity. Civilian activity up to 150 metres NORTH of road.
20 Dec 66	12 Pl ptl to YS 335626.	Woodcutters this area.
20 Dec 66 (2200H)	Half Coy ptl in APC to investigate VC incident at YS 354613.	Linked up with LO. No sign of enemy.
28 Dec 66	Coy ptl(-) to YS 340642, via YS 324632. Return via old cart track to YS 322624.	No sign of any recent activity.
31 Dec 66	Atk Pl and 12 Pl ptl to YS 348640.	Old camp at YS 348637. Probably used one or two nights by 20 VC. 3 months old. 12 75mm RCL containers and fired shells in this location.

7. Comments:
 a. The Company carried out its task by dividing the length of road into areas of responsibility for platoon groups. The areas astride the road, likely enemy overnight approaches, and the road itself were cleared prior to the time of arrival of the convoy. Section strength picquet posts were established in vulnerable areas, with patrolling between picket posts during the day. APCs were used to move picquet personnel to their areas, conduct road patrols, then act as small mobile reserve stationed with one of the picquet posts. On certain days, patrolling in depth to the NORTH of road checked out areas which could have been used as enemy Observation Posts or concentration areas.

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- b. The task of protecting 5000 metres of road stretched the company to its limit in terms of manpower. The area would have been too large for one company in a situation where the enemy was active. Protection for the company base, and a reserve, were both neglected during this operation because of the length of highway to be secured. It would have been virtually impossible to prevent infiltration between picquetposts. However, the enemy chose not to initiate any action, and the task was successful.
- c. It is considered that a team of Engineers or Assault Pioneers with mine detectors for road clearance tasks should be attached to a company in future operations of this nature.
- d. During the operation (on no-convoy days), considerable training value was achieved from Course Shooting of Mortars and Artillery by Officers and NCOs. In addition, range practices by the Anti-Tank Platoon 106mm RCL were conducted with good results and all recent reinforcements have now been trained in the firing of the weapon.
- e. Particularly in Phase 1, a Liaison Officer with ARVN forces in BARIA would have been useful in coordinating troop and range activity in the ARVN Training Area. Alternatively, a radio on the ARVN (SECTOR) net would suffice. This system was used on the night of the VC incident at YS 354613, but considerable difficulty was experienced in obtaining the frequency and establishing communications.
- f. It is suggested that civilian activity be restricted in areas adjacent to the road in any future operations of this type. Their presence is unacceptable, as they could provide cover for enemy infiltration.

HARRY A SMITH Maj
OC D Coy
7 Jan 67

CO's Comments

8. I agree entirely with Maj SMITH's observations in paragraph 7 b.
 - a. Because the VC choose to be inactive during this period the plan adopted by him which was in fact in principle the same as the battalion plan for the security of the highway, was successful. The VC always had adequate opportunity and I believe capability to enterdict or harass convoys.
 - b. Had there been a probable active threat of interference his Company, and the others, would not have been able to prevent minor harassments such as initiation of command detonated mines, sniping, sabotage etc. The length of road for which Companies were responsible was too large.
 - c. It was impossible to clear and secure the road and maintain an adequate and mobile reserve, with the resources available.

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d. I agree with his other comments, and, when available and appropriate, action will be taken.

C M Townsend Lt Col
CO 6 RAR



ANNEX P (6RAR AREA OF OPERATION) TO COMBAT AFTER ACTION REPORT (OPERATION DUCK)