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COMMANDERS DIARY - 161 RECCE FLIGHT

..... Attached is Commanders Diary of 161 Recce Flight for  
the period 1 Nov 65 - 30 Nov 65.

*James G. G. G.*  
Brigadier  
Commander

*Direct  
DMOP 4/aw*





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these Diaries.

COMMANDER'S DIARY  
OF

161 RECCE FLIGHT

.....  
(Unit or Formation)  
Name of Commanding Officer 61007 Maj R D LIPSCOMBE  
From 1 Nov 65 ..... to 30 Nov 65 .....  
Signature of OC unit or senior staff officer

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\* Only to be included during operations. +Cross out whichever is not applicable.



# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Army Form 2118.  
(Adapt)

Unit 161 Recce Flight Date and Time.—From 1 Nov 65 To 11 Nov 65

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BIEN HOA	1 Nov 65	1230	21st D T ETTRIDGE departed for DANANG as LO for 1 RAR Bn Gp.	
		1600	Camp adm and RW tasks in support 1 RAR and 105 Fd Bty.	
	2 Nov 65	2230	16684 Cfn R McLEAN suffered 2nd and 3rd degree burns to LEFT thigh when he fell asleep whilst smoking in bed.	
	2 Nov 65	0830	Task in support 105 Fd Bty (RW). FW continuation training.	
	3 Nov 65	0830	Tasks in support 1 RAR	
	4 Nov 65	1100	Op Order 14/65 dated 3 Nov 65 received	See Annex 'D' attached.
	5 Nov 65	1900	Tasks in support 1 RAR N.E. of BIEN HOA - DONG NAI	
	6 Nov 65	1900	Tasks in support 1 RAR Gp.	
	7 Nov 65	1900	Tasks in support 1 RAR Gp.	
	8 Nov 65	1900	Tasks in support 1 RAR Gp.	
	9 Nov 65	1900	Tasks in support 1 RAR Gp.	
	10 Nov 65	1700	Camp Administration.	
	11 Nov 65	1700	Camp Administration.	



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Unit 161 Recce Flight Date and Time.—From 12 Nov 65 To 23 Nov 65

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BIEN HOA	12 Nov 65	1700	Camp Administration.	
	13 Nov 65	0800	Tasks in support 173 Abn Bde.	
			16684 Cfn R McLEAN admitted to 173 Bde Aid Station	(See 1 Nov 65)
	14 Nov 65	0800	Camp Administration	
	15 Nov 65	1800	Tasks in support 105 Fd Bty	
	16 Nov 65	0800	Tasks in support 105 Fd Bty	
	17 Nov 65	0800	Camp administration.	
	18 Nov 65	0800	Tasks in support 105 Fd Bty and 173 Bde.	
	19 Nov 65	2400	A15765 Cpl B L HUMPHREYS self inflicted wound in leg - evacuated to BUTTERWORTH via SAIGON.	
	20 Nov 65	0800	Tasks in support 1 Div, 173 Bde	
	21 Nov 65	1100	RW Tasks in support 1 RAR - VO DAT area.	
	22 Nov 65	0630	FW & RW tasks in support 1 RAR	
	23 Nov 65	0630	RW tasks in support 1 RAR	



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Unit 161 Recce Flight

Date and Time.— From 23 Nov 65

To 29 Nov 65

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and References to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BIEN HOA	23 Nov 65	1400	Helicopter piloted by Lt H VON MUENCHHAUSEN encountered ground fire	
			2 miles SOUTH of DUC HANH - no hits on aircraft.	
		1730	Road party arrived VO DAT	
VO DAT	24 Nov 65	0830	1 FW, 1 RW aircraft arrived this location.	
			Tasks in support 1 RA <sup>R</sup>	
	25 Nov 65	0730	RW tasks in support 1/503 Inf and 1 RAR	
	26 Nov 65	0830	RW tasks in support 2/503 Inf	
		1400	OC informed by Lt GUILD that helicopter A1-394 sustained damage to ARC 54	
			homing antenna and canopy during a storm in the afternoon of 25 Nov 65	
			at BIEN HOA.	
	27 Nov 65	0800	RW tasks in support 1 RAR, 173 Bde	
		0900	OC departed for BIEN HOA.	
	28 Nov 65	0800	Tasks in support VO DAT operation	
		1300	OC returned this location	
	29 Nov 65	1130	OC departed for BIEN HOA	



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Unit 161 Recce Flight

Date and Time.—From 29 Nov 65

*To* 30 Nov 65

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1RAR

BIEN HOA

3 Nov 65

OpO 14/65

Maps: TAN UYEN 6344 11, 6444 111.

1. Situation.

a. Enemy Forces: NO change Intrep No 5 dated 2 Oct 65.

b. Own Troops: Overlay Annex P.

- (1) 173 Bde (-) operates in TAOR 28/65.
- (2) 1/503 Bn operates to EAST of Bn TAOR.
- (3) Special Forces operate ~~NORTH~~ of Bn TAOR .
- (4) 3/319 Arty Bn (-) moves to position ACE
- (5) USAF will provide tac air sp throughout op.
- (6) 145 Avn Bn provides hel lift for aslt.
- (7) A/82 Avn coy provides hel air sp throughout op.

c. Atts and dets.

(1) Atts

- (a) Under comd from RRU Team  
1730 hrs 4 Oct 65. IAC Team USAF  
Two RVN policemen  
det 709 Sig Tp R Aust Sigs
- (b) Attached on arrival LZ ~~QUEEN~~ or  
selected gun position  
until extraction complete  
105 Field Bty RAA

2. Mission: To conduct search and destroy operation in TAOR 14/65 from 5-10 Nov 65 incl .

3. Execution.

a. Gen outline. The op will be conducted in four phases.

(1) Phase 1. Hel assault LZ ~~QUEEN~~.

(2) Phase 2.

(a) Security EAST bank river DONG NAI SOUTH EAST of LZ KING until 1/503 airmobile assault complete.

(b) Selection and security of 105 Field Bty gun position near LZ ~~QUEEN~~.

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.. / 2 (3) Phase 3



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(3) Phase 3. Patrolling allotted sectors from D Day until D+4.

(4) Phase 4. Extraction from TAOR D+5.

b. A Coy.

(1) Grouping.

Remaining under comd .

MFC  
Med Asst

Under comd from 1730 hrs  
4 Nov.

four SBs  
FOO Party 161 Field  
Bty

Interpreter 1RAR  
One RVN policeman.

(2) Tasks.

(a) Phase 1.

- i. 3rd coy in order of mov.
- ii. RV WEST of LZ on landing.

(b) Phase 2. Move to protect altn LZ for 1/503 on receipt nickname PEANUT BUTTER. To be in posn by 1100 hrs.

(c) Phase 3.

- i. On completion 1/503 hel aslt and on receipt nickname LINK BELT pass through sector 10 and patrol sector 4.
- ii. D+1 patrol sector 4.
- iii. D+2 patrol sector 5.
- iv. D+3 patrol sector 6.
- v. ~D+4 patrol sectors 6 and 5 remain in D+4/5 in sector 7.

(d) Phase 4. Move through sector 7 and 11 to extraction LZ on receipt nickname DANCING GIRL.

c. B Coy

(1) Grouping

(a) Remaining under comd

MFC  
Med Asst  
Interpreter RVN

.. / 3. (b) Under Co md

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(b) Under Comd from 1700 hrs FOO party 105  
4 Nov 65. Field Bty

four SBs  
One RVN policeman

(c) Under comd from 1700 hrs 3 Field Tp RAE(-)  
4 Nov 65 for tasks Phase 2.  
Release to comd Bn HQ on commence-  
ment Phase 3.

(2) Tasks.

(a) Phase 1.

- i. 2nd Coy in order of move.
- ii. RV NORTH of LZ on landing.

(b) Phase 2 On receipt nickname PEANUT BUTTER  
move to secure SOUTH Bank River DONG NAI opposite  
LZ KING by 1100 hrs 5 Nov 65. To mark own positions  
clearly with marker panels. On completion 1/503  
hel asslt, search and destroy XOM CAI XOAI (1426).

(c) Phase 3.

- i. On receipt nickname LINK BELT  
move into and patrol sector 1.
- ii. D+1 patrol sector 1.
- iii. D+2 patrol sector 2.
- iv. D+3 patrol sector 3.
- v. D+4 patrol sector 3, ni D+4/5 sector 5.

(d) Phase 4 On receipt nickname DANCING GIRL  
move through sectors 4 and 10 to extraction LZ.

d. C Coy.

(1) Grouping.

- (a) Remaining under Comd. MFC  
Med asst
- (b) Under comd from 1700  
hrs 4 Nov 65. four SBs  
FOO party 161  
Field Bty.
- (c) Detached to Bn HQ from  
0600 hrs 5 Nov 65 until arrival  
C Coy on LZ. Recce Party.

(2) Tasks.

(a) Phase 1. 4th Coy in order of mov. RV EAST  
of LZ on arrival.

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.. / 4 (b) Phase 2.



(b) Phase 2. After selection of battery posn by 105 Bty recce party, on order move to secure gun position. C Coy recce party to coord with arty recce party to ensure rapid security. Report when security complete.

(c) Phase 3. Patrol sectors 10, 11 and 12 providing close night security for 105 Field Bty in conjunction with Bn HQ Gp.

(d) Phase 4. Be prep to protect LZ during extraction.

e. D Coy.

(1) Grouping.

(a) Remaining under comd.

MFC  
Med Asst

(b) Under comd from 1700  
hrs 4 Nov 65.

FOO Party 105  
Field Bty

four Med Assts  
Interpreter 1RAR

(2) Tasks.

(a) Phase 1.

i. First coy in order of move

ii. RV SOUTH of LZ on arrival. 1

(b) Phase 2. On receipt of nickname PEANUT BUTTER move to patrol and secure ridgeline SOUTH of LZ (132252 to 144252) to protect insertion 105 Field Bty by hel.

(c) Phase 3.

i. On order after completion insertion 105 Field Battery (approx 1100 hrs) move to patrol sector 7.

ii. D+ 1 patrol sector 7.

iii. D+2 patrol sector 8.

iv. D+3 patrol sector 8.

v. D+4 patrol sector 9, ni D+4/D+5 sector 9.

vi. D+5. On receipt nickname DANCING GIRL move to extraction through sector 9 and 12.

.. / 5 f. Mor Pl



f. Mor Pl(1) Grouping.

- (a) MFCs with rifle coys .
- (b) One sect remains present location.

(2) Tasks.

- (a) Sp . all operations within range.
- (b) Move with Bn HQ group.
- (c) Be prep to move one sect by hel during op.

g. Aslt Pnr Pl.Tasks.

- (a) Protection Bn HQ .
- (b) Be prep to provide dml of tunnels and neutralisation of mines and booby traps.

h. 1 APC tp PWLH. Remain present loc under OC Rear.j. 105 Field Bty RAA.(1) Grouping.

- (a) FOO parties to undercmd each of B and D Coys from 1700 hrs 4 Nov.
- (b) Recce party to under cmd Bn HQ Gp from 0600 hrs 5 Nov until arrival 105 Field Bty.

(2) Tasks.

- (a) Select Gun position in area of LZ QUEEN.
- (b) Provide sp to 1RAR and 1/503 as soon as possible on arrival selected gun position.
- (c) Provide assistance for security gun position in coordination with C Coy.

k. 161 Field Bty RNZA. Provide FOO parties to A and C Coys.l. 3 Field Tp RAE.(1) Grouping. To Under cmd B Coy from 1700 hrs 4 Nov until completion Phase 2 when reverts to cmd 1RAR.(2) Tasks.

- (a) Provide tp str of 20.
- (b) Be prep to dml tunnels, buildings and other installations.



(c) Be prep to assist in neutralising booby traps and mines.

(d) Be prepared to send forward two dml teams.

(e) Carry reserve tear gas, explosives, dml equipment.

m. Det 709 Sig Tp R Aust Sigs.

(1) Under comd 1RAR Bn Gp.

(2) Provide comms to 1RAR rear on arrival LZ.

n. 161 Recce Flight.

(1) Grouping. Control with COWBOY CONTROL.

(2) Tasks.

(a) Provide SIOUX ac to area LZ QUEEN on call.

(b) Provide CESSNA Air OP and air relay from 0800 hrs 5 Nov 65 in area LZ QUEEN.

(c) On returning for refuelling SIOUX ac to check in with Bn C P Rear giving time of return of ac to Bn loc.

o. Artillery Fire plan. Phase 1 and 2, Annex Q.

p. Coord Instrs.

(1) D day. 5 Nov 65.

(2) H hr. 0800 hrs

(3) Sequence of events. Annex B.

(4) AGS - Annex R

(5) Order of move Phase 1.

(a) By Road to SNAKE PIT. D, B, Bn HQ Gp, A, C.

(b) By hel to LZ QUEEN.

i. 1st Lift D (110)

B (80)

Bn HQ ( 20, to incl sect  
mor pl (12) + 10 rds  
per barrel. Bn HQ  
recce party (8) )

.. / 7 ii. 2nd Lift



ii. 2nd Lift. B Coy (30)  
 3 Field Tp (20)  
 A Coy (110)

Bn HQ (85, to incl 105  
 Bty Recce Party (7);  
 C Coy Recce Party (5);  
 CP Gp, FCC, FAC, RRU,  
 Atk Pl (25), one  
 sect mor Pl (12) + 10  
 rds per barrel).

iii. 3rd Lift. C Coy (105)

Bn HQ (50, to incl Aslt  
 Pnr Pl (25), Sigs  
 line sect, 709 Sig  
 tp, AQ sect, 1 sect  
 mor pl, RAP, one  
 RVN policeman, +  
 balance of mor ammo  
 (360 rds).

(c) Embussing areas.

- i. A. Mor Pl rd, behind D Coy.
- ii. B. LOC Road (as for op 13/65)
- iii. C. B Coy Road.
- iv. D. Mor Pl Rd, first vehicle at Sp  
 Coy kitchen.
- v. Bn HQ Gp. PX Road by Sp Coy kitchen.

(6) Timings.

- (a) 0630 hrs . embuss
- (b) 0640 hrs. vehs leave for SNAKE PIT.
- (c) 0710 hrs. vehs arrive SNAKE PIT.
- (d) 0730 hrs. loading in hel's commences.
- (e) 0740 hrs. hel lift commences.

(f) Estimated timings.

- i. Lift two. 0825 hrs
- ii. Lift three. 0850 hrs.

(7) UED. SOP.

11/8. (3) LZ RV



(8) LZ RV

A WEST

B NORTH onto RIDGE at 140258.

C EAST

D SOUTH

Bn HQ NORTH onto RIDGE at 139256.

(9) Tear Smoke. May be used when required.(10) Request For Air. SOP(11) VCC, enemy Docus. SOP.(12) Coloured Smoke. SOP(13) Marker Balloons. SOP(14) Poaching. SOP(15) Ammo.(a) SAA. SOP(b) Mors.i. Phase 1. 10 rds HE per barrel.ii. Phase 2. 80 rds per barrel.

10 rds WP per barrel

10 rds illg per barrel

iii. Phase 2 ammo is to be airlifted in and ammo stocks are to be maintained to ensure that this stock is at the base plate by 1800 hrs each day until D+5.

(c) Arty. SOP. Ensure that a minimum of 60 rds (HE PD) is in the gun position by 1800 hrs each day until D+5.(d) Tear Smoke.

i. 2 CS grenades per rifle sect or equivalent.

ii. Aslt Pnr Pl to maintain stock of 20 CS in addition to pl holdings.



(16) Rules of engagement. SOP. Curfew on river traffic on DONG NAI is 1900 to 0600 hrs.

(17) Recognition. SOP. Special Forces may be seen NORTH of river DONG NAI. Using Red White and Blue scarves.

(18) Dmls. Special dml team (Spt Bn) is available on call. This is in addition to teams (four) from 3 Field Tp RAE.

(19) Air.

(a) Air relay will be provided by both 173 AB Bde Avn Pl and altn means 161 Recce Flight. Timings 1900 hrs - 0700 hrs (173 Bde) 0700 hrs - 1900 hrs (Air OP)

(b) Comd and control hel eval for CO from 0700 hrs 5 Nov until completion of operation.

(c) Hel loading. 35 slicks per lift. 6 troops initial lift. 7 troops on subsequent lifts for HU-1D. 5 per slick HU-1B.

(20) Sequence of events. Annex A.

4. Admin and Log.

a. Tpt. Tpt required to lift 554 plus 400 rds 81 mm mor as per timings in para 3.o.(6). (a), (b) and (c).

b. Rats.

(1) Breakfast in camp 5 Nov 65.

(2) 2 days rats on each man. Rats expire breakfast D+2.

c. Water.

(1) SOP

(2) Bp prep to lift water to Gun position from 1200 hrs D Day.

d. Resupply

(1) All resupply will be by hel.

(2) BSOC estb PIERSON FIELD (005151). 1RAR Gp team to estb at this loc.

e. Casevac. SOP. The word DUST OFF has replaced HICKORY SMOKE.

f. Morning Report. SOP. Adjnt to submit to 173 Bde.

.. / 10 . Batteries.



f. Batteries To be carried.

(1) Four per AN PRC 10

(2) Two per AN PRC 25.

h. RAP. Loc with Bn HQ Gp.

5. Comd and Signal.

a. Bn HQ start move in second lift after leading elements B Coy .

b. Bn HQ Gp located NORTH of LZ QUEEN.

c. Signals

(1) Radio.

(a) Codes. SOI 25 - 11 and 20 - 11, KAC Code HE - 740 and authentication for Nov are in effect.

(b) Radio net: Annex B attached. Bn Comd Net and Bn adm net will open at 050530 H.

(2) Line:

(a) Rifle Coys: A, B and D Coys are to deliver to QM 1x Tele K and 2x reel unit CE11 with drums DR8 by 041600H. This line equipment will be called fwd as required. C Coy is to carry normal line equipment .

(b) Bn HQ: As per SOP.

d. Points of Origin: The following pts of origin are to be used for the op only:

Serial	Date/Time	Point of Origin
(a)	(b)	(c)
1.	041800 - 051800	CAR 1226 COUNTRY 1426
2.	051800 - 061800	RIVE R 1327 DOG 1427
3.	061800 - 071800	COLOUR 1526 FRUIT 1428
4.	071800 - 081800	TREE 1228 MONTH 1627
5.	081800 - 091800	DAY OF WEEK 1524 GIRL 1028
6.	091800 - 101800	BOY 1724 HOLIDAY 1329

.. / 11. e. Passwords.



e. Passwords The fol passwords and challenges are to be use for the op only.

Ser (a)	Date/Time (b)	Challenge (c)	Password (d)
1.	051800 - 061800	6	2
2.	061800 - 071800	4	8
3.	071800 - 081800	7	9
4.	081800 - 091800	5	3
5.	091800 - 101800	9	6

f. Nicknames

(1) Tac nicknames (excl nicknames in SOP)

Serial (a)	Nickname (b)	Meaning (c)	Issued By (d)
1.	TOMATO SOUP	Coy complete in position (use for RV or harbour)	Coys
2.	ROLLING STONE	Move or moving	
3.	PEANUT BUTTER	Move from RV at LZ to posns for phase 2	Bn HQ to A and B Coys
4.	LINK BELT	1/503 insertion complete. Move to commence phase 2	Bn HQ to A and B Coys.
5.	DONALD DUCK	SPECIAL FORCES	-
6.	TOP CAT	US FORCES (UNIDENTIFIED)	
7.	DANCING GIRL	Commence move to extraction LZ	Bn HQ

..12/ (2) Block Nicknames.



(2) Block Nicknames:

A Coy	B Coy	C Coy
BENT SPOON EASY WALK RAISIN SLICE PRESENT SEAT DAILY STAFF NIGHT LANDING PARADE TEAM VILLAGE CELLS LARGE VIEW BURNED BUNSEN	LETTER STUDY DRAWN RESULT SAFE PERIOD TUBE SPARK TENT BATMAN LIFTED SENSE MINOR GROUP MASS RATIONS COURSE LEADER DECISIVE ACT	NEW SEASON GOPHER HOLE GOODY RUN BLEAK GOSSIP HOT GOSPEL GOGGLE EYE OLD GLORY PATIO DRESS SILK SHIFT CHANCE MODEL
D Coy	Bn HQ	105 Field Bty
HAM EGG GHOST TOWN COLD GLACIER GENIAL OAF GEISHA GIRL WORN GARMENT MERRY FROLIC FOB WA TCH MEDICINE BOTTLE RIVER GAMBLE	STICK BOOK GLUCOSE LOLLY CHEWING GUM* BISCUIT RATIONS LOLLY WATE R EYE WASH CHIN PEG FAN MAIL ABSURD FORCE FELINE CAT	CEREAL BLOCK EXOTIC DANCE LONG EXILE HEISE DUTY INSTANT COFFEE EJECTION SEAT EBONY ROD SAND DUNE PIE FRILL ELECTRON MAGNET

g. Q hr 0700 hrs for the complete operation

h. Allocation of radio equipment. Annex C attached.

j. Synchronization:

(1) Pre operation 050530H

(2) During op : 0830hrs and 1800 hrs daily.

I R W BRUMFIELD Lt Col  
CO 1RAR

Authentication.

*James. G. ...* Maj  
S3/OC Sp Coy

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Annexes

A = Sequence of Events  
B Radio Diagram  
C Allocations of radio equipment  
P Op Overlay  
Q Arty Fire Plan hases 1 and 2  
R AGS

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DISTRIBUTION

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A Coy	1
B Coy	2
C Coy	3
D Coy	4
Sp Coy	5
Admin Coy	6-7
Mor Pl	8-9
Atk Pl	10
Aslt Pnr Pl	11
Sig Pl	12
1 APC Tp PWLH	13
3/319 Arty Bn	14-15
105 Field Bty RAA	16-17
161 Field Bty RNZA	18
3 Field Tp RAE	19
709 Sig Tp R Aust Sigs	20
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173 AB Bde	24 -25
1/503 Bn	26
CO	27
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OC Sp Coy	29
Adjt	30
Asst Adjt	31
IO	32
Int Sec	33
LO	34
RSM	35
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SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

<u>Serial</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Occurrence</u>
1.	021430	Warning Order issued.
2.	04900	Orders Gp at Bn CP.
3.	041000	Recce commences.
4.	050630	Embuss Bn area.
5.	050640	Vehs leave for SNAKE PIT.
6.	050700	3/319 Arty Bn (-) commence registration from posn ACE.
7.	050710	Convoy arrives SNAKE PIT. SUEOs report to Bn 2IC.
8.	0715-0745	Tac air prepares LZ QUEEN.
9.	050730	Hel loading commences.
10.	050745	a. 1st lift takes off. b. Arty prep LZ QUEEN until 0755.
11.	050755	Armd hel prep LZ QUEEN.
12.	050800	H hr hel assault on LZ QUEEN.
13.	050825 (approx)	2nd lift leaves.
14.	050840 (approx)	Phase 2 commences on receipt nickname PEANUT BUTTER. A, B, and D Coys move to protection posns.
15.	050900 (approx)	3rd lift leaves.
16.	050935 (approx)	Leading elms 105 Field Bty arrive in gun position.
17.	051100	A and B Coys in position.
18.	051115	H hr for 1/503 hel aslt LZ KING.
19.	051200 hrs (approx)	Hel lift 1/503 complete. Commence Phase 3 on receipt nickname LINK BELT.
20.	D day to D+4	Patrols in TAOR.
21.	D45	Extraction.

NOTE: Timings for prep LZ KING are

1. 1030-1100 Tac air prep
2. 1100-1110 Arty prep
3. 1110-1115 Armd hel prep

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Amex C to 11/11/65  
Q/O 1/1/65  
dated 5 Nov 65

ALLOCATION OF AUDIO EQUIPMENT

Sub Unit	Am/PC 25	Am/PC 10	Remarks
A Coy	5	1	1 x 10 set minimum
B Coy	5	1	"
C Coy	1	5	5 x 10 set minimum
D Coy	5	1	1 x 10 set minimum
Mor Pl	6	NIL	
Sig Pl (fwd)	4	NIL	
Sig Pl (rear)	2	-	
Hk Pl	NIL	2	
ASH Par Pl	NIL	2	
CO	1	NIL	
3 Fd Ty HKE	1	5	3 x 10 set provided by 1 HKE
Spare	2	-	

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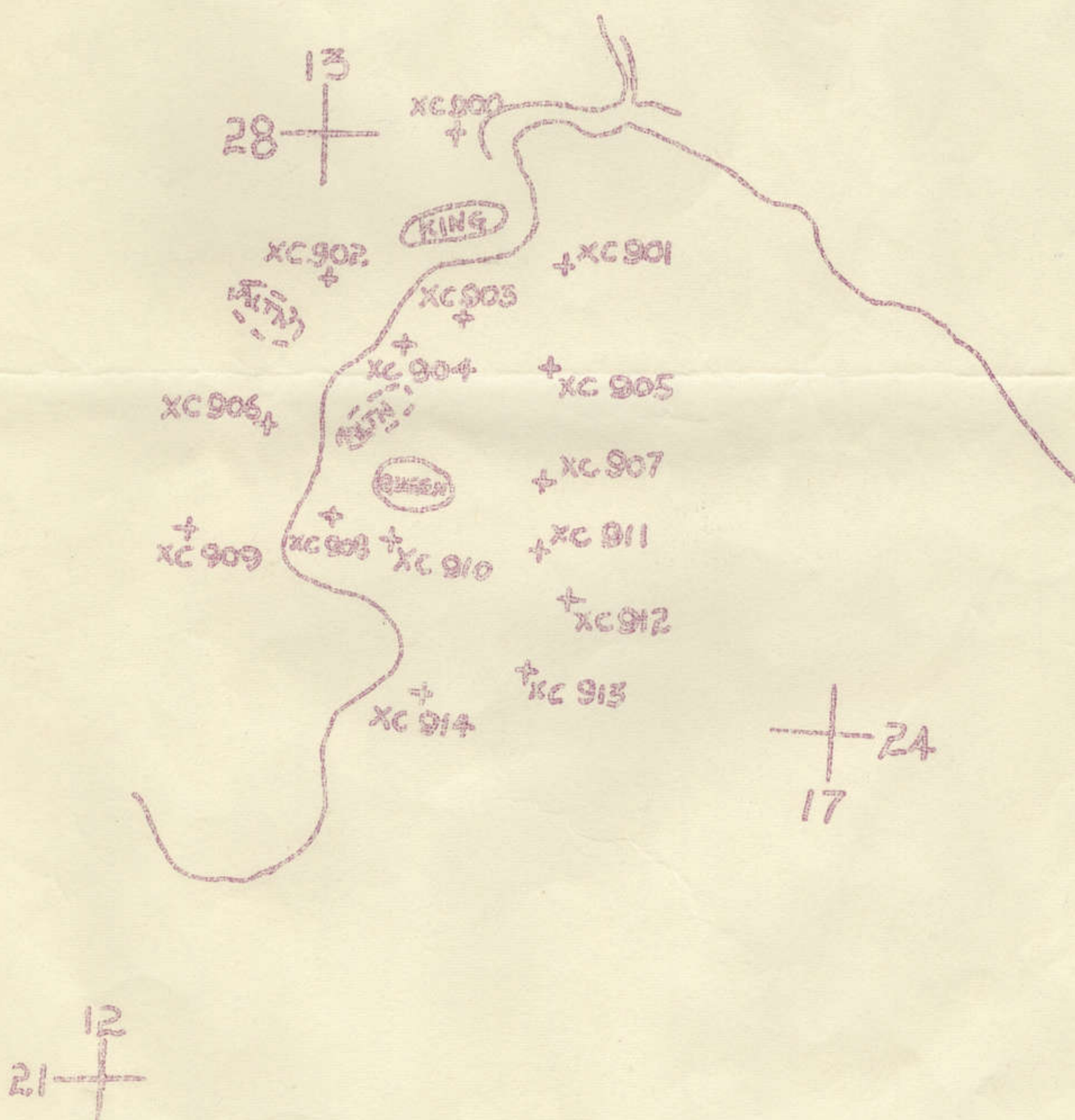
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ANNEX Q to I RAR

OPD 14/65

DATED 3 Nov 65

FIRE PLAN OVERLAY - DF TARGETS for PHASES 1 and 2.



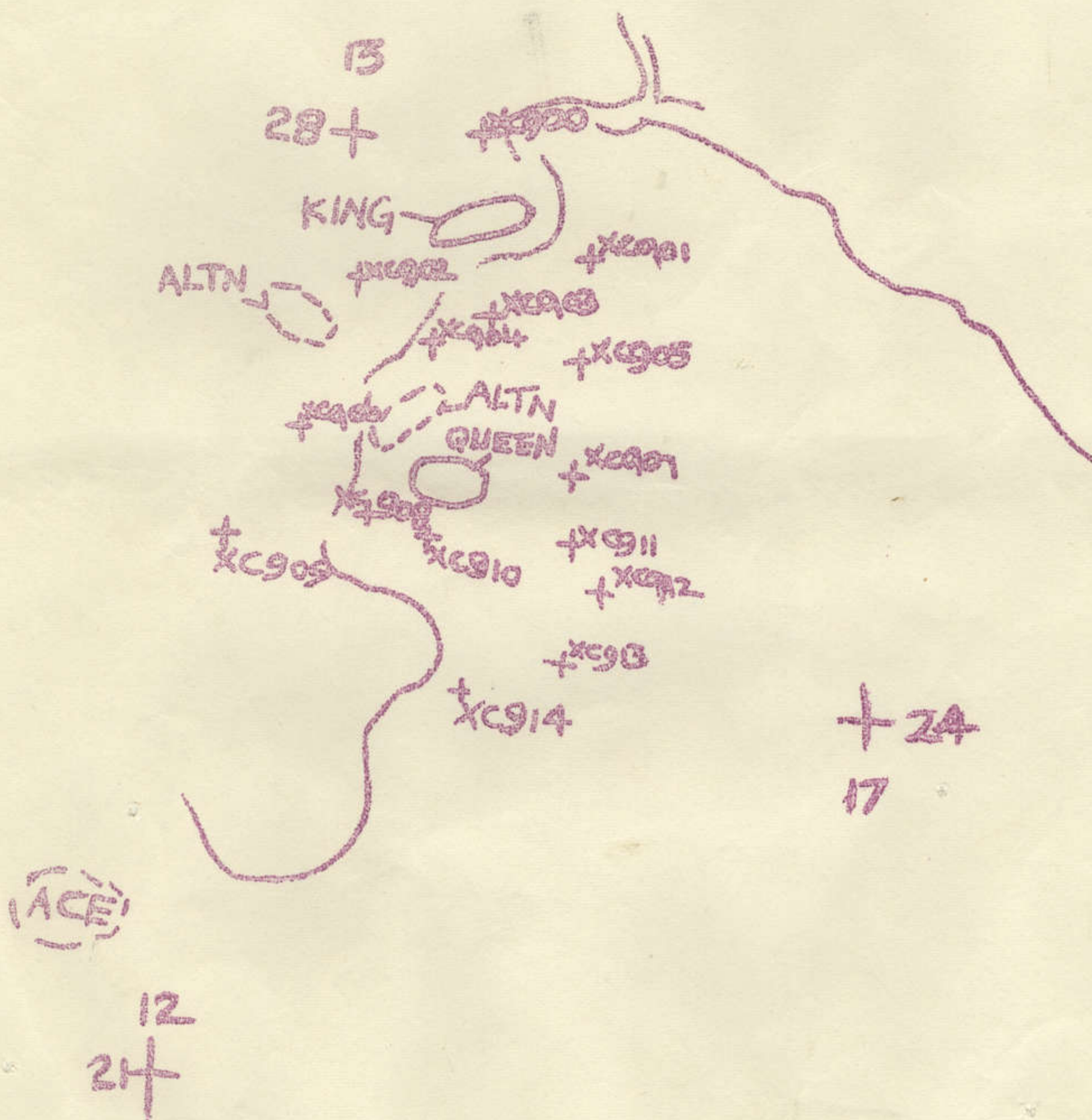
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ANNEX Q TO IRRAR OPO  
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161 REECE FLIGHT

PRIORITY

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From. IRAR

OBS 46

To LIST G.

WARNING ORDER @ IRAR OP 14/65 @ HEL ASSAULT  
FOLLOWED BY SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION PERIOD  
5-10 NOV 65 @ NO MOVE FROM THIS LOC BEFORE  
0630 HRS 5 NOV 65 @ ORDERS GP AT CP 0900 HRS 14 NOV  
65 @ MAP TAN UHEN 6344 II @ REECE FOR COY COMDS  
OC 106 FD BTY 1000 HRS 4 NOV 65 @ ADM @ HEL LIFT  
FROM SNAKE PIT @ TPT REQUIRED THIS LOC FOR 600 TUBE  
IN THIS LOC BY 0615 HRS 5 NOV 65 @ ACK @

*Chas Leach*  
Des 5/3

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ANNEX C TO IRAR  
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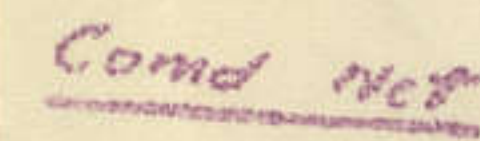
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## Adm Log Net

HF  
CROSSING

f1 - 2056 Kc/s  
f2 - 2172 Kc/s

NOTE: 161 Recore Kff

POSSUM 1 = FW AC  
POSSUM 2 = FW AC  
POSSUM 3 = RW AC  
POSSUM 4 = RW AC

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