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Survey Troop

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[1-31 Jan 1971]

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A Sect 1 Topo Svy Tp
AFPO 4 GPO
SYDNEY NSW 2890
Feb 71

Distribution: See below

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COVERING PERIOD 1 JAN 71-31 JAN 71
PART 1 G MATTERS

GENERAL

1. The unit remained at 1 ATF base.

SURVEY SECTION

2. FIELD WORK

- a. Aerial annotations of XUYEN MOC (YS 6568) and environs was completed for the XUYEN MOC Special (1:10,000).
- b. Surveys to locate existing and proposed 1 ATF firing ranges were commenced.
- c. Surveyors were provided to prepare a plan for Det AFV Pro Unit accident investigation.

3. MAP REVISION

- a. Priorities for revision of 1:25,000 maps as specified by G Branch 1 Atf are:
 1. 6430-II-SW
 2. 6430-II-SE
 3. 6430-II-NE
 4. 6430-II-NW
 5. 6530-III-NW
 6. 6530-III-SW
- b. Revision of 6430-II-SW for edition 4 AAS has commenced.

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c. The template assembly of 1:25,000 photography of 6430 - III- SW & SE, 6430 - II - SW & SE and 6530 - III - SW & SE has been completed.

d. The Jan 71 edition of 1 ATF Base Defence has been printed.

e. Topo revision from new photography AO MICE for 2 RAR was completed.

4. MOSAICS

a. Uncontrolled mosaics were prepared for the locations shown:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>SCALE</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>
DUC THANH (YS 462782)	1:2,000	SAC 1513P 25 Jan 71
LONG DIEN (YS 4359)	1:2,000	SAC 1248 3 Jan 71

5. PHOTOGRAPHY

a. One F 24 sortie was flown for a mosaic of NUI NHON (YS 580635).

b. The ZEISS RMB 9/2323 camera has been received. A test sortie will be flown 5 Feb 71.

6. RECORDS

a. No further progress has been made on station summaries pending receipt of VARYCORD adjustment.

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CARTOGRAPHIC SECTION

7. MAP OVERPRINTS

a. The mine incidents and enemy installations overlays were continuously updated.

b. Operational overlays for a new Territorial Forces AO and Operational PHOI HOP were prepared.

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8. MAP REVISION

- a. XUYEN MOC SPECIAL (1:10,000) - 90% completed.
- b. DUC THANH SPECIAL (1:5,000) scribing is completed and is being checked with Jan 71 photography before being edited.

9. MISCELLANEOUS

Tasks for other units undertaken in the period were:

- a. Briefing overlays for HQ 1 ATF.
- b. Three copies of proposed changes in sector AO boundaries and civilians access for GSO2 (OPS).
- c. Manning chart for 2 RAR.
- d. Range card for 4 Fd Regt.
- e. SOP covers for HQ 1 ATF and 2 SAS Sqn.
- f. Range safety templates for HQ 1 ATF.
- g. Updating of CP Battle Maps and other briefing maps in HQ 1 ATF area.
- h. Plan of 1 Topo Svy Tp accommodation for D Svy AHQ.

PHOTOGRAPHIC SECTION

10. In addition to normal support of survey and carto sections, support was provided for the following units:

HQ 1 ATF

1 Armd Sqn

2 RAR

TFMA

1 Aust CA Unit

8 Fd Amb

106 Fd Wksp

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PART 2 - A MATTERS

18. For nominal roll see Annex A.
19. The following members were RTA in the period:


4719812 2Lt J.M. WHITBURN 8 Jan 71
42804 Sgt D.J. COLLINS 7 Jan 71
1200238 Cpl P.E. FAITHFUL 7 Jan 71
39332 Spr B.R. APPLEFORD 28 Jan 71

20. The following members M/I in the period:

17109 Capt C.W. WATSON 7 Jan 71
518874 Cpl L.C. GRIFFITHS 14 Jan 71
3796069 Cpl D.R. LOGAN 29 Jan 71

21. The members below are due to RTA as shown:

25 Feb 71	42180	WO 1 R. McMILLAN	SVN 6578/70
10 Mar 71	53004	SSgt I.J. HASTINGS	SVN 116/71
24 Mar 71	3796392	Pte A.B. FARQUHARSON	SVN 4/71
25 Apr 71	18644	Sgt m. NEIL	


P.R. EDDY
CAPT
OC

Distribution

HQ AFV (2)
HQ 1 ATF (1)
D Svy AHQ (4)
B Sect 1 Topo SVY Tp (1)
66 Engr Coy (Topo) (1)
M & I US AECV (1)
File (1)

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54080	Capt	P.R. EDDY ✓	OC
17109	Capt	C.W. WATSON ✓	2IC
42180	WO1	R. McMILLAN ✓	WO1 Svyr Topo
1202084	T/Cpl	J.T. WRIGHT ✓	WO2 Platemaker Litho
53004	S Sgt	I.J. HASTINGS ✓	TQMS
18644	Sgt	M. NEIL ✓	Sgt Dtmn Topo
217410	Cpl	J.D. Mac DONALD ✓	Sgt Dtmn Litho
		VACANT	Sgt Svyr Topo
43803	T/Sgt	R.J. HAYDEN ✓	Sgt Svyr Topo
3796069	T/Cpl	D.R. LOGAN ✓	Cpl Clerk Admin
312557	Spr	C.M. McCLOUD ✓	Cpl Dtmn Litho
278 3716	Spr	E.G. HILL ✓	Cpl Photographer Litho
1202099	Spr	C.A. MINTO ✓	Cpl Storeman Tech
1201440	Cpl	J.A. TINKER ✓	Cpl Svyr Topo
518874	Cpl	L.C. GRIFFITH ✓	Cpl Svyr Topo
1201356	Spr	T.A. STOCKWELL ✓	Spr Dtmn Topo
		VACANT	Spr Platemaker
1201919	Spr	L. THOMSON ✓	Spr Svyr Topo
1202004	Spr	G.G. WATTS ✓	Spr Svyr Topo
3797271	Spr	F. FORCUCCI ✓	Spr Driver
3796392	Pte	A.B. FARQUHARSON ✓	Pte Cook
1201910	Spr	D.J. O'SHANNESY ✓	Spr Dtmn (theatre Supplement)

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