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PART 1

COVERING LETTER

Reference No 117-3-6

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.

Rec'd fwd. 3-2-67 R7.

(Signature) D Spencer Capt

Appointment A/ OC 103 SIG SQN

(OC Unit or senior staff officer)

PART 2

AF C 2119 (Adapted)
Revised Jun, 1965

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COMMANDERS DIARY

OF

Unit or Formation 103 SIGNAL SQUADRON

From 1 DEC 66 To 31 DEC 66

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* Only to be included during operations.
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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 C2118 (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 C2119) (Adapted).
   - **b.** Index as printed on cover.
   - **c.** Narrative (AF C2118) (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 ...annex NIL will be entered on the cover. If additional annexes are convenient for a particular headquarters. ...tarting at B.

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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

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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COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

AF – C 2118 (Adapted)
Revised Jun, 1965

UNIT/~~FORMATION~~ 103 S16 SQN

MONTH AND YEAR DECEMBER 1966 REFERENCE MAP VIETNAM 1:50,000 Sheets 6442 I to IV COMMANDING OFFICER MAJ PD MUDD

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
NUI DAT YS 4367.	1 DEC		ODORD OP CANARY received	Annex D Enclosure 1
	2 DEC		NTR	
	3 DEC.		Rebroadcast detachment deployed on VC Hill YS2645 ~~for~~ as part of Op CANARY	
	4 DEC		NTR	
	5 DEC		NTR.	
	6 DEC.		Rebroadcast tot Op CANARY working quite well.	
	7 Dec		NTR	
	8 Dec		NTR	
	9 Dec		NTR	
	10 Dec		NTR	
	11 Dec		NTR	

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AF – C 2118 (Adapted)
Revised Jun, 1965

UNIT/~~FORMATION~~ 103 SIG SQN

MONTH AND YEAR DECEMBER 1966 REFERENCE MAP VIETNAM 1:50 000 Sheets 6442 I to IV COMMANDING OFFICER MAJ PD MUDD

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
NUI DAT	12 Dec.		NTR.	
YS 4367				
	13 Dec.		Opord 1-17-66 (Op DUCK) received. Rebroadcast detachment now has to stay on VC Hill YS 2645 for a longer period than planned.	
	14 Dec		NTR	
	15 Dec		NTR.	
	16 Dec		NTR	
	17 Dec		NTR	
	18 Dec		NTR	
	19 Dec.		Op Order 1-18-66 (Op HICTON) received. This operation should present no great communications problems.	Annex J Enclosure 6
	20 Dec		NTR	
	21 Dec		NTR	
	22 Dec		NTR	

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UNIT/~~FORMATION~~ 103 SIG SQN

MONTH AND YEAR DECEMBER 1966 REFERENCE MAP VIETNAM 1:50000 Sheets 6842 I & IV COMMANDING OFFICER MAJ PDMACD

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
NUI DAT YS 4367	23Dec66		Rebroadcast detachment returned to this location	
	24Dec66		NTR	
	25Dec66		NTR	
	26Dec66		NTR.	
	27Dec66		Op DUCK TWO commenced necessitating the deployment of a rebroadcast detachment on VC Hill (YS 2645).	
	28Dec66		NTR	
	29Dec66		NTR	
	30Dec66		NTR	
	31Dec66		NTR.	

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Annex A

To

COMMANDER'S DIARY

(Dec 66)

ENCLOSURES :

5DO's Log 30Nov/1Dec to 30Dec/31Dec

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from. 30 Nov 66....

to.....1 Dec 66....

Time	Event	Action
1905	Tested pit phones O.K.	
1920	Checked out message register. Three priority messages outstanding. Four hours delay. PR 2664and PR 2666 PR 2664 cleared 2045 PR 2664 cleared 1950 to II FFV PR 2666 cleared 2035	Appears that they have been incorrectly typed with many mistakes. For Sigcen Super. OC notified.
1930	Stood down pits.	
2020	SAIGON circuit out on American system.	Change to AUSTRALIAN system.
2025	SAIGON in on AUSTRALIAN system.	
2140	VUNG TAU circuit out. SCO SAIGON contacting VUNG TAU to have line up with our MRC - 29.	Back in 2210. Problem with carriers.
0006	Intsum in.	Cleared to IIFFV 0028 AFV 0025 AISG 0035
Sitrep	Sitrep in	Cleared to IIFFV 0304 AFV 0145 AISG 0150
0615	Stand down.	

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from..011800H.....

to....021800H.....

Time	Event	Action
1930	Pits stood down NO clear indication as to who is on STAND TO from 1845 - 1930 hrs on pits 1 & 5, norEMERGENCY STAND TO on the same pits	SSM
0015	INTSUM IN	Cleared to 2 FF V 0032 ALSG 0026 AFV 0030
	SITREP IN	Cleared to 2 FF V 0200 ALSG 0118 AFV 0115

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from..2 Dec 66....

to....3 Dec 66....

Time	Event	Action
2100	Priorty signal, for all units in, of four pages. Rang TOC and to go by special SDS 0615 hrs 3 Dec 66.	
0017	Intsum IN.	Cleared to II FFV 0040 1 AFV 0048 ALSG 0050
0017	Sitrep IN.	Cleared to II FFV 0207 1 AFV 0128 ALSG 0245
0615	Pits stood down.	

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from...3.~~Nov~~ Dec.66...

to.....4.~~Nov~~ Dec.66...

Time	Event	Action
0005	INTSUM in.	Cleared to 11FFV 0043 AFV 0030 ALSG 0035
0005	SITREP in.	Cleared to 11FFV 0130 AFV 0100 ALSG 0110
0405	Cipher change commenced.	Complete 0440. Both circuits 5 x 5.
0615	Stood pits down	

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from 041800H
to 051800H

Time	Event	Action
1930	Pits stood down	
1945	HF Net changed freq to F2 161 Recce Flt Str 2. all others 5's.	
1950	SAIGON and VUNG TAU ccts 5's	
2130	Sig THOMPSON reported in as returning to unit	Time from AWOL. A4 tomorrow
0005	INTSUM IN	Cleared to 2 FF V 0026 AFV 0020 ALSG 0025
	SITREP IN	Cleared to 2 FF V 0100 AFV 0110 ALSG 0117
0215	Report from NUI DAT, rebro det unable to be raised and 6 RAR is attempting to pass a ~~siduf.~~ sitrep	Tried to contact Sgt HARMER but NO answer. contacted MRC69 on NUI DAT to find out the problem and how long till rectification, thru MRC69 VC Hill VUNG TAU.
0245	Rebro back IN, rebro troubles, everyone loud and clear. Faulty retrans lead	
0400	Cipher change	
0445	Cipher change complete	
0615	Pits stood down	

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from..5 Dec 66.....

to....6 Dec 66.....

Time	Event	Action
1930	Pits stood down. Sig BRAND reported for duty as roving picquet.	
2130	Sig BROAD reported for duty as roving picquet.	
2330	Sig YOUNG report for duty as as roving picquet.	
0005	Sitrpp in.	Cleared to II FFV 0120 AFV 0125 ALSG 0158
	Intsum in.	Cleared to II FFV 0020 AFV 0040 ALSG 0020.
0130	Sig BRAND reported for duty as roving picquet.	
0415	Sig TOOTELL reported that he cannot get 5 RAR on rebro.	He is asking the MRC-69 to contact the 69 on VC Hill and see what they can find out. On at 0520.
0420	TOC report call sign 18 not receiving.	Sig JOHNSON said that they had some fault last night It seems like a loose wire in the remote. Now OK. Info Sig JOHNSON to have the remote checked.
0445	6 RAR, 161 Recce Flt and NUI DAT can hear 5 RAR but cannot get through to them. Nothing heard of rebro by 161 Recce Flt.	
0445	Radio Offr informed.	
0500	Control in direct contact with 5 RAR 5 x 5.	

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from.....6 Nov 66.....

to.....7 Nov 66.....

Time	Event	Action
2400	Intsum in.	Cleared to IIFFV 0030 AFV 0015 ALSG 0030
2400	Sitrep in.	Cleared to IIFFV 0103 AFV 0130 ALSG 0130
0615	Pits stood down.	

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from...7 Dec 66...

to.....8 Dec 66...

Time	Event	Action
1930	Stood pits down.	
1945	Duty officer TOC reported direct line TOC to TOC not working correctly	Personally checked phone in TOC and on ringing spoke to operator on SCO phone at our end. Sent for Sgt WALKER who also checked phone and stated this has been like this for some time. Trouble caused by SAIGON terminal. Duty Officer TOC not satified and would like rectified.
	Following items are not available to SDO. Duty linemans roster. SCO roster. Roving picquet roster. Pit and emergency Stand to for pits 4 and 5.	
0015	Intsum IN	Cleared to II FFV 0030 AFV 0050 ALSG 0130
0020	Sitrep IN	Cleared to II FFV 0100 AFV 0200 ALSG 0155
0140	TG net off air.	NUI DAT changing nets
0200	TG net O.K. on 106 Set.	
0400	Cipher change completed both circuits 5X5.	
0615	Pits stood down.	

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from....081800H.....

to.....091800H.....

Time	Event	Action
1920	Z msg in from American cct	Cleared 1926
1930	Pits STOOD DOWN	
2000	VUNG TAU cct OUT. Carrier problems. Both carriers with troubles. Cct IN 2100	Both ccts now 5 X 5 at 2110
2200	Once more the following items are NOT available. Duty Lineman Roster SCO Roster Pit & Emerg STAND TO for Pits 4 & 5.	For SSM
2400	INTSUM into Sigcen	Cleared to AFV 0020 ALSG 0022 2 FF V 0028
	SITREP into Sigcen	Cleared to AFV 0150 ALSG 0110 2 FF V 0100

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from..9.Dec.66.....

to....10.Dec.66.....

Time	Event	Action
1932	VUNG TAU cct out until further notice.	No kbd cct VUNG TAU.
2215	TOC requested a speaker for ~~AN~~ a 25 set.	Cpl BLOCKSIDGE attached an ANGR~~A~~ 39. ~~set~~.
0050	Intsum in.	Cleared to AFV 0110 IIFFV 0105 ALSG 0117
0050	Sitrep in.	Cleared to AFV 0155 IIFFV 0130 ALSG 0156
0615	Pits stood down.	Pit phones appear to be faulty.

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from. 10 Dec 66.....

to....11 Dec 66.....

Time	Event	Action
1905	Pit phones checked.	All OK.
1930	Pits to normal night warning.	Stood down.
2400	Intsum in.	Cleared to IIFFV 0030 AFV 0020 ALSG 0025
2400	Sitrep in.	Cleared to IIFFV 0107 AFV 0110 ALSG 0115
0215	TOC reported that direct line to AFV could be faulty.	Contacted radio relay to have them checked.
0615	Pits stood down.	

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from....11. Dec. 66.

to.....12. Dec. 66.

Time	Event	Action
1930	Pits stood down.	
1930	SAIGON and VUNG TAU ccts okay.	
0001	INTSUM in.	Cleared to 11FFV 0023 AFV 0040 ALSG 0040
0001	SITREP in.	Cleared to 11FFV 0047 AFV 0107 ALSG 0107
0425	Crypto change commenced.	
0455	Crypto change complete. SAIGON circuit 5 x 5. VUNG TAU circuit giving trouble.	Okay 0510.
0615	Stand down. Pits 1 and 3 okay. Pit 5 very weak here. Can be heard faintly by Pit 3.	For linemen to check.

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from. 12 Dec 66....

to....13 Dec 66....

Time	Event	Action
1930	Trouble wi th RAAF telepriter lines.	Can recieve but cannot send MRC-69 personnel claim circuits O.K. having lineman send test over linns . Trouble appears to be line. For linemen in morming.
1930	Pit 5 not recieving ring.	Informed duty lineman to pass onto line Sgt in morning Instructed members in pit to keep handset near ear.
2007	Call from 39 Sig Bn rig, KV 14 line appears to be out between rig and EBONY.	As other VUNG TAU line is still in instructed them that we would not worry about this line tonight. Instructed EBONY switchboard operator to note fault in log. Suspect large number of line faults caused by heavy rain this evening.
2115	Call from 1 Fd Sqn, having some trouble with AN/PRC 47.	Told them to remain on air and notify me of developments For Radio Officer in morning.
2215	1 Fd Sqn set failed.	Instructed operator to bring set to this location first up in morning.
0006	Intsum IN.	Cleared to IIFFV 0045 AFV 0045 ALSG 0100
0006	Sitrep IN.	Cleared IIFFV 0110 AFV 0230 ALSG 0230
0130	Delay innclearing Sitrep caused by mutual interference in the printer system. Problem is known and action is being taken to relieve this problem.	
0405	Cipher change commenced.	
0445	Cipher change completed in 5 x 5	VUNG TA U not in SAIGON SCO informed and working.

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from 12 Dec 66

to 13 Dec 66

Time	Event	Action
0445	Trouble with loop MRC-69 this end. Evidently channels 5, 6 and 7 are interferring with each other.	MRC-69 attempting to sort out the problem. SCO this end pushing them for results.
0615	Pits stood down.	

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from...13 Dec 66....

to.....14 Dec 66....

Time	Event	Action
1930	Pits stood down.	
2130	Telephone call from APC Sqn ref excessive lights showing from row of tents adjacent to APC lines.	Sent runner down to Radio Tp lines to get people concerned to "Brown out" the lights. Will pursue matter tomorrow as I believe it could be Radio Tps newly installed lights which are causing the problem.
0100	Sitrep in.	Cleared to II FFV 0141 ALSG 0157 AFV 0147
0100	Intsum in.	Cleared to II FFV 0115 ALSG 0115 AFV 0114.
0515	VUNG TAU out.	Mech working on it.
0517	VUNG TAU 5 x 5.	

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from..14 Dec 66.....

to.....15 Dec 66.....

Time	Event	Action
1930	Pits stood down.	
2210	Telephone call from duty offr at TOC reporting that one of our nets was coming up on 46.5 with call signs 97, 4, 2, and 8 which was interfering with sector comd net voice who were using that frequency.	Contacted WOII TARLETON per Sgt GOOD who informed me that no spare frequency was available for allocation. I informed the duty offr at TOC of this and he contacted 1 Fd Regt.
2220	Informed by TOC that the offending Net was Artillery, 1 Fd Regt Comd Net.	As a temporary measure 1 Fd Regt said that they would use a battery frequency for their Comd Net upon their return to base tomorrow, but that they require another frequency urgently to rectify the situation. I contacted the Adjt of 1 Fd Regt as our SOI's indicated that they should be using 46.3. He informed me that they had been using 46.5 and that was the frequency his SOI's quoted. He did not have to hand, a copy of our instructions but agreed there could be a miss print and he would change over to 46.3.
2230	Repeated attempts to use pit phones, has been unsucessful.	Runner tried to call from pits with still no result. Suspect line fault to be rectified tomorrow.
0010	Intsum in.	Cleared to II FFV 0055 AFV 0040 ALSG 0100
0014	Sitrep in.	Cleared to II FFV AFV 0130 ALSG 0133.
0615	Runner sent to stand pits down.	Sig LATHROPE working on lines.

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from 15 Dec 66

to 16 Dec 66

Time	Event	Action
1930	Stood down pits. Warned persons of possible mortar threat.	
1935 1935	From 16 (GOC) to 11A approx 1905H "For God's sake stay on the bloody air (set?) or I'll have your balls for breakfast," or words to that effect. Notified by duty operator on TG Net who had been informed by operator on NUI DAT.	Checked with Lcpl HEALY. He didn't say anything to TOC but notified us. For OC.
2145	Lcpl APPLEBY wished to consult duty roster to find out when he was on picquet duty. No duty roster was available from Sigcen Tp.	For Tp Offr.
0005	Intsum in.	Cleared to AFV 0025 ALSG 0025 IIFFV 0021
0005	Sitrep in.	Cleared to AFV 0110 ALSG 0115 IIFFV 0036
0100	Cpl LAIDLAW (security picquet) reports that there has been no brew at kitchen for last two nights.	For SSM
0220	SAIGON cct out.	SCO checking.
0235	Equipment out at VC Hill and approx 1 hour's work before SAIGON cct restored. Nil traffic on hand. VUNG TAU cct OK.	
0330	SAIGON cct still out. Trouble still at VC Hill	
0415	Cipher change.	
0445	SAIGON cct being changed to American system	

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from...15 Dec 66...

to.....16 Dec 66...

Time	Event	Action
0520	SAIGON cct now OK.	
0615	Pits stood down.	

SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from....16. Dec. 66..

to.....17. Dec. 66..

Time	Event	Action
2000	Pits stood down.	
0020	Sitrep in.	Cleared to 11FFV0115 AFV 0115 ALSG 0215
0020	Intsum in.	Cleared to 11FFV0049 AFV 0030 ALSG 0035
0300	Changed SAIGON teleprinter circuit to AUSTRALIAN system.	No problems.
0615	Stand down.	

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from..17 Dec 66.....

to....18 Dec 66.....

Time	Event	Action
2025	Special DR run to 1 Fd Regt 5 RAR and 6 RAR?	Returned at 2045.
2100	SAIGON out.	TD head faulty at SAIGON. SAIGON OK 2220.
2200	Switchboard changeover OK.	
2245	TOC cannot raise the operator on the Command Voice.	Changed remote lines and now OK. Line to be checked in the morning.
2315	TOC report that comms are lost with 6 RAR.	6 RAR 5 x 5 at 2323.
0018	INTSUM in.	Cleared to AFV 0039 II FFV 0043 ALSG 0039
0020	SITREP in.	Cleared to AFV 0135 II FFV 0105 ALSG 0132.
0200	KW7 to SAIGON faulty - no spare.	SCO summoned.
0300	Cpl FLETCHER unable to fix fault - Routing the traffic via VUNG TAU.	Fetched Sig SARGENT.
0445	KW7 now OK.	NO traffic held up.
0610	TOC rang to say that there was interference being experienced on direct line to HURRICANE.	Informed American DO.
0615	Pits stood down.	

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from..18 Dec 66.....

to....19 Dec 66.....

Time	Event	Action
2400	INTSUM in.	Cleared to 11FFV 0017 AFV 0037 ALSG 0055
2400	SITREP in.	Cleared to 11FFV 0050 AFV 0105 ALSG 0125
0130	SDO's line appears to be out. Despatched runner to wake Ssgt HUBBLE.	Linemen to fix in morning.
0135	Runner reports phone not connected in Ssgt HUBBLE's tent.	No action.
0150	NO traffic outstanding.	
0155	Immediate message for movements requires Special SDS 0615.	
0615	Pits stood down.	

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from. .19. Dec 66.....

to....20. Dec 66.....

Time	Event	Action
2220	TOC Duty Officer phoned to say 161 Recce Flt pilot has lost copy of current SOIs.	Informed OC and now waiting for further information from 161 Recce Flt.
2250	Informed by G2 that the codes section of the SOIs are missing but maybe lost in 161 Recce Flt area, so a search will take place at first light.	Have instructed Sgt HARMER to phone me with results as soon as possible, when search is completed.
0001	INTSUM in.	Cleared to 11FFV 0026 AFV 0035 ALSG 0040
0005	SITREP in.	Cleared to 11FFV 0045 AFV 0145 ALSG 0120
0315	No outstanding traffic.	
0500	Cipher change complete. Both circuits 5 x 5.	
0615	Pits stood down.	

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from..20 Dec 66.....

to....21 Dec 66.....

Time	Event	Action
1750	FLASH message received.	Message was slightly garbled. Despatched watch copy to addressee and sent back other copy for rerun.
2025	Received call from 199 Bde. Requesting we change frequency on 1 Fd Regt Net.	Initially unable to find SOIs to disover which net was causing trouble. Not possible to change this frequency. For Sigcen Supervisor, 199 Bde request that they be included on our distribution list for SOIs. Address is APO 96279.
0015	INTSUM in.	Cleared to II FFV 0030. AFV 0050 ALSG 0040.
0105	SITREP in.	Cleared to II FFV 0135 AFV 0225 ALSG 0230.
0400	Cipher change commenced.	
0445	Cipher change completed.	
0615	Pits stood down.	

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from 211800H
to 221800H

Time	Event	Action
2130	Capt HOLFORD rang to enquire if we could provide a Spec SDS to take the R & R allocations out to all units at a approx 2230 hrs	Checking with Capt SPENCER
2150	Capt SPENCER advised me that the SDS will leave at 0630 hrs tomorrow. He has spoken to Capt HOLFORD	Have warned Sig TRAINER for the job
220138	SITREP IN	Cleared 2 FF V 1900Z AFV 1840Z ALSG 1845Z
	INTSUM IN	Cleared 2 FF V 1805Z AFV 1810Z ALSG 1815Z
0400	Cipher change commenced	
0525	SAIGON OUT after change	SCO called in and cct rectified and back in operation
0600	SAIGON cct OUT again	SCO called in to find fault
0615	Pits stood down	

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from..221800H.....

to....230615H.....

Time	Event	Action
2215	SDO Pit phone inoperative.	Had SCO replace phone.
0020	INTSUM & SITREP in.	
0130		INTSUM cleared to II FFV 0035 AFV 0045 ALSG 0040 SITREP cleared to II FFV 0115 AFV 0115 ALSG 0110
0430	Sgt FONTENOT had a request from FFV that in future could TOC put "SITREP from and to" in the message. It is causing a delay in the COMCEN without this.	Fixed

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from. 23 Dec 66.....

to...24 Dec 66.....

Time	Event	Action
2010	Lcpl A PPLEBY showed me approx 25 messages which have not been recieved.	Told him to originate a service immediately. Contacted SDO SAIGON and informed him. Matter being Sorted out/
2056	FLASH message in.	Cleared 2059.
2130	SAIGON to be out for one hour. Apparently receiving interference on channel. Same with both systems. Trouble at VC HILL.	
2155	161 Recce Flt reports that AN/PRC-47 set is U/S. Have switched to AN/GRC-106.	For Radio Sgt.
0001	Intsum in.	Cleared to IIFFV 0027 AFV 0045 ALSG 0100
0001	Sitrep in.	Cleared to IIFFV 0035 AFV 0230 ALSG 0245
0100	Notice that no roster were present for duty personnel from either Sigcen or SHQ Tp.	For 2IC.
0115	Sig GREENWOOD informs me that delay to messages occasioned by difficulties in cutting tapes Informed me that only one tape preparation position available.	Asked him what was wrong with one in Sigcen. He told me it s was Not working properly and that he had known. Told him to summon mechanic immediately.
0615	Pits stood down.	

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from..24. Dec. 66...

to....25. Dec. 66...

Time	Event	Action
2000	Pit phones OK.	NFA.
2100	All quiet no traffic.	NFA.
0015	INTSUM in.	Cleared to II FFV 0041 AFV 0125 1 ALSG 0125
0022	SITREP in.	Cleared to II FFV 0058 AFV 0200 1 ALSG 0202
0615	Pits stood down.	

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from..25 Dec 66.....

to.....26 Dec 66.....

Time	Event	Action
19 30	Pits stood down. FLASH i n at 1900 cleared at 1915 (to IIFFV). Notified no duty rosters were present.	
00 ~~12~~15	5 - 6 RAR and 1 Fd Regt on TG net.	
00 ~~12~~30	6 RAR and 1 Fd Regt 5x5. 5 RAR not answering on either set or phone.	
2345	Sitrep in.	Cleared to IIFFV 0041 AFV 0035 ALSG 0040
	Intsum in	Cleared to IIFFV 0030 AFV 0030 ALSG 0017
0615	Pits stood down.	

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from.....261800H.....

to.....271800H.....

Time	Event	Action
2040	TOC informed us that both HURRICANE and WILDCAT hot lines were OUT	Informed Lt McNEIL who will get the system checked. Informed TOC that they'd be notified when the lines were again available, also informed them they could try alternate routes.
2100	One line to ENGAGE swbd OUT at Arty end.	Second line OK. Arty will fix in the morn.
2130	All lines except 11 Cav back IN	Informed TOC
2145	11 Cav line IN	
0010	INTSUM IN	Cleared to 2 FF V 0030 AFV 0020 ALSG 0025
0014	SITREP IN	Cleared to 2 FF V 0120 AFV 0040 ALSG 0045
0615	Pits STOOD DOWN	

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from. 27 Dec 66.....

to....28 Dec 66.....

Time	Event	Action
0005	INTSUM in.	Cleared to 11FFV0104 AFV 0040 ALSG 0111
0005	SITREP in.	Cleared to 11FFV0115 AFV 0120 ALSG 0210
0615	Pits stood down.	

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from...28 Dec 66...

to.....29 Dec 66...

Time	Event	Action
0008	INTSUM into Sigcen.	Cleared to II FFV 0223 AFV 0025 1 ALSG 0020
0008	SITREP into Sigcen.	Cleared to II FFV 0227 AFV 0035 1 ALSG 0020
0115	Americans have not yet cleared INTSUM and SITREP VHF circuits giving trouble.	Have sent them to the HF radio.
0200	INTSUM and SITREP coming back to VHF rig since GRA-26 NOT good either.	
0615	Stood down pits.	

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from..29.Dec.66....

to....30.Dec.66....

Time	Event	Action
2400	INTSUM in.	Cleared to AFV 1620 ALSG 1625 11FFV1645
2400	SITREP in.	Cleared to AFV 1620 ALSG 1625 11FFV0145
0210	VUNG TAU asked if the Sitrep could be relayed through SAIGON because its garbling a little	Relayed through SAIGON.
0415	Cipher changed commenced.	
0500	Cipher change completed. Circuits 5 x 5.	
0615	Pits stood down.	

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SIGNALS DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

from.....30 Dec 66.....

to.....31 Dec 66.....

Time	Event	Action
2230	Swbd Operater informed me line to DEER out/.	Got in touch with Op on NUI DAT - he informed me that the trouble appears to be VUNG TAU's transmitter.
2245	Cpl HASTIE rang to say that VUNG TAU was onto their second Xtmr. And were having trouble with that also. He believes the ccts could be out for some time.	
0007	SITREP in.	Cleared to II FFV 0045 AFV 0155 ALSG 0210
	INTSUM in.	Cleared to II FFV 0030 AFV 0045 ALSG 0045.
0035	All lines okay again.	No further action.
0135	Message received from SAIGON informing us that due to backlog and bad comms they would only accept priority traffic and above until 2100Z.	Operators informed.
0615	Pits Stood down.	

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Annex C

To

COMMANDER'S DIARY

(Dec 66).

ENCLOSURE:

SOI for Dec 66.

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5 RAR Nets	22-6	"
6 RAR Nets	23-6	
3 SAS Nets	24-6	"
1 APC Sqn Nets	25-6	"
1 Fd Regt Nets	26-6	"
1 ATF Loc Tp Nets	27-6	"
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1 TOPO Svy Tp Net	29-6	"
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1 ATF SDS (VEH)	62-2	29 Jul 66
SOUND AND VISUAL		
Panel Code	70-1	Issued as
Ground to Air	71-1	required

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 2-6

DISTRIBUTION

	SOI Nos	Item Nos 10- 11-	ITEM NR 20- to 42-	
			Complete	Unit Net Only
	Copy Nos	Copy Nos	Qty	Qty
HQ 1 ATF	1-13	1-13	13	
5 RAR	14-73	14-63	15	45
6 RAR	74-118	64-123	10	35
3 SAS SQN	119-128	124-125	2	8
1 APC SQN	129-138	126-135	10	
1 FD REGT	139-193	136-190	45	10
1 ATF LOC TP	194-196	191-193		3
1 FD SQN	197-201	194-198	5	
103 SIG SQN	202-211	199-203	10	
161 RECCE FLT	212-226	204-218	15	
67 GL SEC	227-242	219-234	16	
1 TOPO SVY TP	243	235		1
Det 2 FD AMB	244	236	1	
1 ATF PRO SEC	245-246	237-238		2
1 ARU	247-249	239-241	3	
RAAF ELEMENT 1 ATF	250	242	1	
II FFV SIG O	251-254	243-246	4	
II FFV ARTY	255		1	
1st US DIV	256		1	
SECTOR HQ BARIA	257-258	247-248	2	
DUSTOFF	259		1	
11th AVN BN	260-261		2	
222nd AVN BN	262-263		2	
145th AVN BN	264-264		2	
11th ARMD CAV REGT	266		1	
HQ AFV	267	249	1	
HQ RAAF AFV	268	250	1	
11 MC GP	269	251		1
SO SIGNS	270-279	252-261	10	
145 SIG SQN	280-289	262-271	10	
HQ 1 ALSG	290-291	272-277	1	1
17 CONST SQN	292			1
55 AESS	293			
Det 11 MC GP VUNG TAU	294			1
HQ 1 COY RAASC	295-296		2	
1 DIV POSTAL UNIT	297			
2 FD AMB	298			
33 DENTAL UNIT	299			
2 COMP ORD	300			1
101 FD WKSPS	301			1
1 DIV CASH OFFICE	302			
LSM CLIVE STEELE	303	278		1

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ADDRESS GROUPS

Ser

1. HQ AFV
2. HQ 1 ATF
3. HQ 1 ATF(REAR)
4. HQ 1 ALSG
5. AATTV
6. 1 APC SQN
7. 1 FD REGT
8. 101 FD BTY
9. 103 FD BTY
10. 161 FD BTY RNZA
11. 1 ATF LOC TP
12. 1 FD SQN
13. 17 CONST SQN
14. 55 AESS
15. Det 1 TOPO SVY TP
16. 11 MC GP SAIGON
17. Det 11 MC GP VUNG TAU
18. 103 SIG SQN
19. 145 SIG SQN
20. 5 RAR

ADDRESS GROUPS

Ser

21. 6 RAR
22. 3 SAS SQN
23. 161 RECCE FLT
24. Det 1 DIV INT UNIT
25. HQ 1 COY RAASC
26. 176 AIR DESPATCH COY
27. 1 TPT PL
28. 87 TPT PL
29. 21 SUP PL
30. 1 ARU
31. 1 DIV POSTAL UNIT
32. Det 1 DIV POSTAL UNIT 1 ATF
33. 2 FD AMB
34. Det 2 FD AMB 1 ATF
35. 33 DENTAL UNIT
36. 2 COMP ORD DEPOT
37. 1 OFP
38. 101 FD WKSP
39. 101 FD WKSP STORES SEC
40. HQ 1 ATF LAD

ADDRESS GROUPS

Ser

41. 1 APC SQN WKSP
42. 1 ATF LOC BTY LAD
43. 1 FD REGT LAD
44. 1 FD SQN WKSPS
45. 1 S & T WKSP
46. 1 DIV CASH OFFICE 1 ATF
47. Det 1 DIV CASH OFFICE
48. 1 ATF PRO SEC
49. R & C CENTRE
50. HQ RAAF AFV
51. 35 SQN
52. 9 SQN
53. BASUPFLT
54. RAAF ELEMENT 1 ATF (ATOC)
55. Det 11 MC GP 1 ATF
56. 17 CONST SQN WKSP
57. Spare No 1
58. Spare No 2
59. Spare No 3
60. Spare No 4

ADDRESS groups

Ser	25	26	27	28	29	30
1.	BXA	UPM	RAO	XUR	UFK	VBF
2.	KAD	WXR	FDU	OUF	FDU	XUR
3.	XWO	AFL	NQF	FOT	JRT	GDO
4.	RCL	WCB	YDW	PVR	UGX	GBX
5.	YAM	TUA	KVF	WTU	MTK	PGW
6.	JRT	DZX	DYA	CVW	BMG	TWR
7.	JZB	WYN	AYD	ANU	PLA	CKP
8.	WRK	BNX	FUO	MZT	FKX	NRY
9.	LCR	FGG	JWV	TLX	ALP	DOW
10.	TQP	WKM	WQO	MYR	FZL	YWC
11.	JLM	MRL	GMB	VGO	TQP	YRN
12.	ARV	TWR	RUX	UNA	LWP	OCD
13.	KCG	TKO	YVO	NBN	KVF	RWT
14.	YUL	JNF	LZF	YZV	FWF	OQW
15.	CGD	MXG	TNW	AXB	LFA	WYN
16.	FRI	YPX	YMD	OZC	PZG	VDR
17.	VRA	WGP	LRM	DGC	TYG	TZM
18.	FKX	FCM	GTN	AUT	AYD	YGB
19.	VFT	RXW	BQR	GOU	LRM	WTU
20.	RQB	VBF	GZP	KPT	FRI	ODG

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ADDRESS GROUPS

Ser	25	26	27	28	29	30
21.	UCY	MPU	WVC	XKF	RCL	UXD
22.	CZO	UTW	UBT	LMK	PQT	GCK
23.	PZG	AMX	ALP	MQV	VMW	YXT
24.	FZL	FPP	JJL	ODG	FJY	ORU
25.	OLK	GCK	LBC	LVB	GTN	BNX
26.	TOF	UXD	URO	UOG	NPR	TUA
27.	PNY	JYP	XLT	GXM	GZP	MYR
28.	WOD	YOA	WPA	OQW	PUD	YLR
29.	TPK	RWT	CBL	TFV	GYT	UPM
30.	DUP	OFM	RMG	RDV	NDP	UNA
31.	UQL	WMV	DAK	NWM	UQL	GOU
32.	XBG	CNV	RMF	NFB	OKT	JUG
33.	ULV	NYW	CTX	FAA	UCY	PVR
34.	TXY	CUK	RVP	FLS	KCG	XZD
35.	FWF	XZD	JGK	JDS	JWV	BDK
36.	PDN	GDO	FNJ	CKP	JGK	WGP
37.	WNT	PGW	YJF	NRY	CLN	LMK
38.	MTK	XYV	LWP	VDR	DUP	MQV
39.	KUC	VLU	FBV	KFU	XLT	FCM
40.	DCO	GBX	XMA	OGV	YBJ	JQA

ADDRESS GROUPS

Ser	25	26	27	28	29	30
41.	KDB	DFR	DQG	FMR	DAK	OGV
42.	LFA	NTG	KLO	MKW	DYA	DZX
43.	NPR	NXO	LQU	PKC	LZF	WKM
44.	VMW	JBY	PLA	LUY	APW	TKO
45.	VQM	FVK	XGU	XNB	WVC	CNV
46.	JCN	OXN	OTA	GQD	URO	KTM
47.	UGX	VNC	APW	KTM	KRW	BFN
48.	JMU	JPC	CWY	BGY	PNY	PKC
49.	CAT	ORU	FJY	KML	BOM	RPN
50.	PQT	YNP	TYG	VZY	WQO	JYP
51.	PUD	YGB	BOM	OWX	YUL	OWX
52.	NKD	ROK	XPY	JQA	YJF	NYW
53.	OKT	NLC	DXU	BFN	BLD	OUF
54.	ATO	YXT	TBU	VYX	DQG	FGG
55.	LON	YLR	BVL	YCU	DXU	DGC
56.	NOL	DOW	YBJ	ODC	TXY	YZV
57.	JVD	BDK	BLD	YWC	VQM	VNC
58.	BUV	YRN	CLN	PWL	TPK	VYX
59.	KRW	DLB	UFK	MWN	BUV	TFV
60.	MDC	RYM	CDM	RPN	CTX	AXB

ADDRESS GROUPS

Ser	1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	JNF	RUX	TZM	XBG	MYR	ATO
2.	MRL	VRA	WCB	BMG	JPC	RMF
3.	LUY	ATO	NXO	DQG	PGW	TPK
4.	NXO	BVL	OUF	VRA	FVK	BLD
5.	WCB	VUB	CVW	LBC	FGG	FDU
6.	FVK	CZO	YZV	JGK	JUG	TNW
7.	NTG	XBG	MCF	DUP	RYM	WQO
8.	MCF	DKN	KPT	CZO	AXB	NDP
9.	RDV	YAM	LUY	ARV	WYN	FUO
10.	XYV	CAT	JQA	RQB	JYP	WNT
11.	DFR	CDM	YXT	NPR	BFN	FBV
12.	FPP	NQF	BGY	FRI	CNV	PLA
13.	VZY	CGD	MPU	WOD	BDK	VFT
14.	LVB	JLM	PKC	KCG	DMY	ULV
15.	KFU	JCN	XNB	XLT	XZD	UQL
16.	AFL	UBT	VYX	LON	AMX	JWV
17.	FOT	WOD	MKW	LWP	JBY	JRT
18.	XKF	JMU	GBX	LQU	ROK	KDB
19.	RYM	BQR	VZY	NOL	FLS	YDW
20.	MWN	KLO	UPM	BUV	XKF	TYG

ADDRESS GROUPS

Ser	1	2	3	4	5	6
21.	UOG	KAD	YWC	RCL	YNP	BOM
22.	CUK	ARV	YCU	CBL	YPX	PUD
23.	FMR	RAO	CKP	APW	RWT	BQR
24.	ROK	TBU	ANU	LCR	OGV	CLN
25.	DLB	JJL	AFL	MDC	DFR	RVP
26.	DMY	BXA	GXM	JZB	XYV	XMA
27.	FLS	FBV	KTM	JLM	RDV	UBT
28.	YOA	FNJ	KFU	KRW	VNC	FZL
29.	WMV	TNW	OFM	JMU	WXR	GTN
30.	WXR	PDN	FCM	WVC	GDO	UFK
31.	AUT	KDB	YGB	YBJ	NLC	YVO
32.	OZC	NKD	RXW	WXO	VBF	FJY
33.	NLC	XWO	BNX	DYA	VLU	PZG
34.	YCU	KUC	MQV	XPY	WTU	GMB
35.	UTW	CBL	LMK	NQF	OXN	MTK
36.	TLX	RMF	GCK	BXA	NFB	JCN
37.	CVW	OLK	WGP	DKN	YOA	PNY
38.	JDS	XGU	PVR	DAK	TLX	GZP
39.	OFM	WRK	MRL	KAD	DGC	FNJ
40.	AMX	WNT	FOT	JVD	UOG	GYT

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ADDRESS GROUPS

Ser	1	2	3	4	5	6
41.	NFB	LCR	WMV	TQP	JDS	KUC
42.	PWL	OTA	NRY	LFA	DLB	WRK
43.	NBN	XMA	ORU	TOF	OCD	FWF
44.	XNB	FUO	XUR	UGX	RPN	YMD
45.	KML	DCO	NBN	YUL	GOU	VUB
46.	JPC	WCY	UNA	DXU	OZC	CDM
47.	VGO	BCW	VGO	LZF	FMR	RAO
48.	NWM	LQU	CUK	DCO	TUA	OLK
49.	MKW	GMB	UXD	CGD	DOW	NKD
50.	MZT	LON	MZT	YJF	WKM	URO
51.	RXW	YDW	MWN	XGU	NTG	CTX
52.	JBY	ULV	NWM	WPA	OQW	YAM
53.	MXG	TOF	TWR	BVL	DZX	RUX
54.	FAA	LBC	JNF	VQM	UTW	PDN
55.	MPU	YMD	TFV	CAT	KML	CWY
56.	YPX	NOL	TKO	ALP	GQD	LRM
57.	GMX	RVP	FAA	TBU	OWX	PQT
58.	KPT	JVD	FPP	UCY	AUT	JJL
59.	OXN	YVO	PWL	VMW	YRN	KVF
60.	VLU	RQB	ODG	FKX	GAW	BCW

ADDRESS GROUPS

Ser	7	8	9	10	11	12
1.	YUL	VGO	XBG	FLS	FBV	DMY
2.	GTN	XNB	LZF	MRL	CLN	WYN
3.	CGD	UPM	JGK	CKP	KRW	GXM
4.	UCY	NLC	FDU	DOW	TOF	CKP
5.	WNT	TFV	KLO	VYZ	RMF	CNV
6.	RCL	JBY	VFT	MKW	MDC	NRY
7.	CBL	PKC	WVC	WTU	YUL	NLC
8.	YVO	NTG	DCO	VBF	TYG	MRL
9.	NOL	YGB	DXO	JDS	VRA	CUK
10.	TBU	TLX	JJL	MYR	NDP	TKO
11.	FJY	WYN	DUP	YXT	CDM	ROK
12.	NKD	CNV	CZO	GXM	PNY	OZC
13.	DAK	WXR	GZP	FOT	PZG	NBN
14.	BVL	UOG	FNJ	YPX	VTM	WXR
15.	JVD	JYP	PQT	XUR	UGX	DFR
16.	RQB	YCU	DUC	OGV	AYD	GCK
17.	XPY	ODG	APW	XKF	KAD	GBX
18.	CLN	KML	UBT	TWR	XLT	LMK
19.	WPA	GOU	OTA	NRY	RUX	GDO
20.	YDW	OUF	LBC	PWL	FWE	PKC

ADDRESS GROUPS

Ser	7	8	9	10	11	12
21.	NQF	LWP	MPU	FAA	FRI	TWR
22.	XGU	XZD	VRA	YNP	YVO	NWM
23.	VMW	YWC	MTK	UXD	JJL	UTW
24.	XWO	XYV	TOF	TKO	PLA	KPT
25.	NPR	VNC	ARV	TUA	CBL	OUF
26.	WRK	RYM	FBV	BGY	WNT	NTG
27.	LON	OFM	KRW	JUG	GTN	GQD
28.	XMA	MWN	BXA	NBN	GMB	JUG
29.	LFA	MZT	DYA	DMY	VQM	JQA
30.	LRM	MCF	BMG	VLU	XMA	NXO
31.	VQM	DLB	CWY	VDR	MTK	UPM
32.	KCG	FMR	ULV	JNF	PUD	FAA
33.	VUB	TZM	YJF	LMK	TNW	CVW
34.	YAM	NFB	KDB	FCM	ARV	NYW
35.	LQU	FGG	RVP	AMX	JZB	WGP
36.	UFK	GCK	FKX	JPC	BMG	FOT
37.	RUX	FVK	TQP	GAW	NQF	AMX
38.	PDN	RWT	KAD	ANU	JVD	YLR
39.	DQG	MXG	DKN	FPP	RVP	JPC
40.	ATO	UTW	XLT	DZX	NKD	DGC

ADDRESS GROUPS

Ser	7	8	9	10	11	12
41.	BOM	JQA	BOM	KPT	FJY	MPU
42.	BQR	YOA	BQR	RPJ	KVF	MCF
43.	TPK	BDK	TPK	MQV	BCW	MZT
44.	TXY	OQW	TXY	CVW	FDU	KTM
45.	FZL	DGC	FZL	NXO	FUO	JYP
46.	BLD	GQD	BLD	BNX	WPA	AUT
47.	PZG	PVR	PZG	VZY	OTA	XKF
48.	CAT	OCD	CAT	DFR	DCO	BGY
49.	AYD	OXN	AYD	GBX	YAM	VNC
50.	CTX	PGW	CTX	WCG	LRM	RYM
51.	UGX	OZC	UGX	KTM	NOL	XUR
52.	GYT	KFU	GYT	WKM	YBJ	LUY
53.	FUO	AUT	FUO	RDV	YMD	OXN
54.	JRT	YRN	JRT	GDO	RCL	JBY
55.	YBJ	NWM	YBJ	LUY	LON	WKM
56.	TNW	LVB	TNW	OWX	VUB	FVK
57.	BUV	WMV	BUV	UNA	XPY	YXT
58.	FWF	NYW	FWF	AFL	ALP	VGO
59.	WQO	BFN	WQO	YZV	TPK	BDK
60.	JMU	ROK	JMU	WGP	ATO	TFV

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ADDRESS GROUPS

Ser	13	14	15	16	17	18
1.	UNA	KUC	XZD	YVO	JNF	JGK
2.	OWX	TBU	AUT	CLN	WMV	JMU
3.	PWL	FNJ	FMR	LFA	MPU	PZG
4.	VYX	XGU	FLS	UBT	YZV	YBJ
5.	PVR	BXA	NXO	GZP	CNV	RAO
6.	VLU	PQT	NBN	ULV	OFM	FBV
7.	OQW	YDW	WTU	BVL	RYM	JVD
8.	MWN	CTX	UTW	YUF	RWT	UGX
9.	VZY	WQO	YCU	YMD	YGB	FRI
10.	OFM	UCY	PKC	RQB	KML	TQP
11.	YWC	FZL	KFU	CZO	VYX	LQU
12.	YOX	FKX	JBY	FUO	VBF	BOM
13.	DZX	LWP	VLU	KAD	NTG	PQT
14.	UXD	APW	WGP	NOL	UXD	JCN
15.	KFU	CAT	ORU	JLM	OGV	OTA
16.	UOG	LBC	JQA	XGU	OWX	BLD
17.	FLS	CGD	DGC	TXY	UOG	VFT
18.	FMR	LZF	FCM	UCY	GOU	CDM
19.	YOA	BVL	MZT	TOF	TLX	KUC
20.	DOW	LCR	GBX	CGD	MKW	TYG

ADDRESS GROUPS

Ser	13	14	15	16	17	18
21.	XYV	URO	DOW	BCW	KTM	CAT
22.	VDR	DQG	YLR	KDB	PGW	VUB
23.	LVB	OLK	BNF	XBG	MXG	JWV
24.	MYR	WVC	ODG	PDN	OZC	TPK
25.	WTU	VFT	BGY	LCR	PWL	BQR
26.	DLB	RAO	GCK	FWF	NRY	KVF
27.	FGG	DYA	TFV	FZL	XYV	MDC
28.	MQV	OKT	BDK	PLA	MYR	CTX
29.	BNX	XWO	NYW	OLK	FAA	KLO
30.	MXG	UBT	OQW	CBL	WXR	NDP
31.	YCU	ULV	UPM	LON	TKO	CWY
32.	YNP	BLD	XNB	WVC	YOA	NPR
33.	KML	PDN	AMX	DXU	YRN	AYD
34.	NFB	RQB	RXW	KCG	LVB	MTK
35.	JDS	JLM	DFR	PUD	WKM	TNW
36.	YGB	LQU	DZX	RCL	OUF	VQM
37.	TZM	DAK	MCF	DUP	EVK	JZB
38.	AFL	XBG	MRL	UFK	VZY	NQF
39.	BFN	WRK	JPC	LZF	VDR	FKX
40.	ORU	KLO	RDV	ALP	ANU	VMW

ADDRESS GROUPS

Ser	13	14	15	16	17	18
41.	FPP	JCN	YWC	BUV	FOT	WRK
42.	PGW	JMU	TZM	ATO	YPX	APW
43.	GAW	YJF	DLB	JJL	TUA	BXA
44.	XNB	BQR	NLC	FNJ	GXM	DCO
45.	RPN	DXU	NWM	KRW	MQV	XLT
46.	FCM	CZO	DMY	UQL	VGO	JRT
47.	WCB	DUP	XUR	URO	NFB	VRA
48.	ANU	TQP	CVW	FDU	FGG	WOD
49.	XZD	TXY	FPP	FJY	YXT	TBU
50.	YZV	BOM	LMK	XWO	TWR	ARV
51.	RXW	UFK	GAW	XMA	JDS	OKT
52.	GOU	JRT	VNC	LWP	PVR	YDW
53.	JNF	WOD	WYN	WPA	MWN	PNY
54.	ODG	JGK	JYP	XPY	AFL	GTN
55.	OCD	UQL	XKF	RVP	KPT	YAM
56.	MKW	GYT	CUK	RUX	YNP	LRM
57.	WMV	BUV	CKP	DKN	WCB	GMB
58.	YRN	CWY	OCD	BMG	ROK	DQG
59.	TLX	LFA	LUY	DAK	JUG	LBC
60.	RDV	KDB	RPN	YUL	GQD	GYT

ADDRESS GROUPS

Ser	19	20	21	22	23	24
1.	VFT	JNF	YAM	MYR	XLT	VYX
2.	PZG	XNB	VQM	PWL	YJF	NTG
3.	NKD	CNV	RVP	NVC	CWY	DMY
4.	NOL	KTM	PUD	WTU	OTA	LVB
5.	DXU	UXD	JJL	MWN	XMA	YOA
6.	FWF	NRN	CLN	VGP	DCO	OCE
7.	YVO	TZM	BOM	NLC	BOM	TKO
8.	XLT	TFV	FDU	YXT	LBC	KPT
9.	XGU	OUF	BXA	KFU	JZB	YCU
10.	CTX	FAA	JGK	RXW	URO	CNV
11.	JMU	WXR	BQR	RWT	YMD	JYP
12.	CWY	NYW	NPR	MQV	WVC	BGY
13.	FBV	YZV	XPY	JYP	FRI	YWC
14.	YBJ	DLB	OLK	DOW	DUP	YZV
15.	NDP	OQW	FJY	YNP	XPY	VNC
16.	DKN	GOU	DYA	YOA	JVD	NBN
17.	RCL	VYX	XBG	RDV	JMU	LUY
18.	PLA	TKO	RAO	RYM	OLK	OUF
19.	LQU	WKM	JCN	PKC	FWF	MWN
20.	LCR	WCB	RQB	MXG	DQG	CKP

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Ser	19	20	21	22	23	24
21.	WVC	DGC	AYD	AXB	WOD	TLX
22.	ATO	DZX	GYT	XUR	WPA	FAA
23.	FUO	NTG	DAK	DFR	DGC	WTU
24.	UFK	ANU	BCW	KML	FJY	GQD
25.	FNJ	AUT	LFA	JBY	NKD	DFR
26.	MDC	UTW	YUL	ORU	VMW	KTM
27.	CDM	CVW	LRM	FCM	YAM	TUA
28.	TNW	PGW	DUP	GCK	OKT	GDO
29.	YDW	TWR	KRW	MRL	LFA	WYN
30.	MTK	MKW	JZB	FLS	JCN	XKF
31.	OLN	GXM	GTN	MCF	YDW	MRL
32.	BUV	NWM	RUX	YCU	TOF	XUR
33.	BMG	FGG	UGX	OZC	LCR	FOR
34.	CZO	VDR	OKT	BDK	BMG	OGV
35.	RMF	MZT	TBU	TUA	DXU	RYM
36.	OTA	GQD	ARV	CUK	VFT	JNF
37.	UCY	BGY	UQL	CKP	GZP	VGO
38.	WRK	ODG	PDN	UNA	KVF	AFL
39.	PNY	UOG	ALP	YWC	NQF	CUK
40.	CAT	YLR	KDB	PVR	WRK	UOG

ADDRESS GROUPS

Ser	19	20	21	22	23	24
41.	KVF	BNX	NQF	DMY	UBT	VZY
42.	KCG	GDO	TPK	KFT	BVL	WMV
43.	KAD	VBF	APW	ROK	JGK	AUT
44.	BLD	OFM	GZP	NFB	NOL	OQW
45.	UBT	JPC	CGD	LMK	YUL	XNB
46.	VRA	YGB	VPA	VGO	YVO	YNP
47.	DQG	FMR	VMW	JQA	TPK	MYR
48.	YMD	OGV	URO	WYN	UGX	YPX
49.	XWO	NRY	LBV	AFL	MTK	RWT
50;	XMA	AMX	LWP	BFN	FBV	YGB
51.	DCO	VZY	LZF	OXN	BUV	JQA
52.	JLM	UPM	VUB	MPU	TNW	VBF
53.	JWV	YRN	FRI	JUG	APW	WGP
54.	WOD	JDS	CBL	OCD	KUC	TZM
55.	KLO	LUY	WNT	FVK	JWV	VDR
56.	FZL	NXO	TQP	GBX	KRW	OXN
57.	TOF	TLX	YJF	WMV	LON	ANU
58.	ULV	OWX	WQO	VLU	ARV	FLS
59.	JVD	LVB	TXY	YPX	FZL	JDS
60.	BVL	XZY	FKX	FOT	XGU	GXM

ADDRESS GROUPS

Ser	25	26	27	28	29
1.	WXR	NDP	RPN	FWF	FAA
2.	GBX	KLO	MRL	JVD	XKF
3.	PGW	RCL	YOA	YUL	OFM
4.	AMX	CTX	OZC	WNT	GQD
5.	FPP	DKN	RWT	BQR	YLR
6.	MQV	BXA	FLS	UBT	MPU
7.	JBY	XWO	DLB	PNY	TUA
8.	BDK	RMF	CNV	JZB	FVK
9.	YRN	TBU	VXO	JWV	BGY
10.	WKM	TQP	UOG	TBU	YNP
11.	NXO	GTN	ODG	YJF	FOT
12.	FKC	DYA	FPP	VUB	NBN
13.	JUG	TYG	ROK	GMB	TZM
14.	ODG	DAK	KFU	JGK	AUT
15.	VLU	UFK	DMY	OTA	LMK
16.	FGG	ULV	WKM	YMD	OUF
17.	OZC	BCW	TLX	XGU	GCK
18.	OFM	LRM	MWN	LBC	UTW
19.	MKW	LWP	JUG	FBV	TFV
20.	TFV	BLD	UXD	KRW	OXN

ADDRESS GROUPS

Ser	25	26	27	28	29
21.	MPU	LQU	YZV	GYT	OQW
22.	NRY	GMB	LVB	CLN	VZY
23.	FMR	LZF	DZX	URO	MZT
24.	DLB	RVP	GBX	JJL	MXG
25.	GAW	RAO	VBF	KDB	JYP
26.	LMK	WNT	PWL	LQU	CKP
27.	AXB	PNY	FCM	TYG	MQV
28.	XZD	KAD	WCB	RAO	AFL
29.	NLC	PLA	KTM	MDC	DFR
30.	MCF	PUD	ORU	NKD	XZD
31.	MXG	KCG	LUY	BCW	GAW
32.	RXW	BQR	JPC	BUV	GDO
33.	CVW	TXY	FMR	LZF	NFB
34.	GOU	FKX	JQA	JCN	RDV
35.	NFB	NPR	FGG	RQB	PKC
36.	BNX	CBL	GXM	VMW	VDR
37.	KFU	RUX	BFN	PLA	PVR
38.	NWM	FUO	YRN	TQP	RXW
39.	WCB	YBJ	YCU	XMA	NYW
40.	OWX	JRT	NLC	PZG	YGB

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ADDRESS GROUPS

Ser	25	26	27	28	29
41.	FCM	PDN	WGP	CTX	MYR
42.	FVR	PZG	WYN	CWY	AMX
43.	NYW	XBG	YXT	VQM	TKO
44.	FVK	ATO	UNA	DCO	ANU
45.	UNA	UQL	FGW	UCY	VYX
46.	DOW	WQO	NWM	DKN	XNB
47.	RPN	JJL	JDS	AYD	JBY
48.	FWL	UCY	TWR	NDP	GOU
49.	MZT	KDB	YWC	FRI	WTU
50.	UXD	MDC	UPM	ARV	VLU
51.	UTW	VQM	YPX	YVO	AXB
52.	TWR	CAT	RYM	WVC	VNC
53.	ORU	CDM	XUR	YDW	XYV
54.	ROK	FDU	DGC	KLO	KPT
55.	UPM	CZO	CVW	WOD	BDK
56.	GCK	VRA	OCD	KUC	CUK
57.	BFN	ALP	WMV	LCR	JNF
58.	KML	CLN	DOW	KCG	WXR
59.	XYV	GYT	MKW	MTK	MCF
60.	YXT	FNJ	NTG	CZO	BNX

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SECURE WORD DESIGNATORS

GENERAL/FLAG OFFICER	SECURE WORD
COMAFV	CHEYENNE
COMD 1 ATF	APACHE
COMUSMACV	TALON
DEPCOMUSMACV	LEGIONNAIRE
DIRECTOR COC USMACV	BARGE
CG II F FORCE V/SA III CTZ	GOSHAWK
DEPUTY CG II F FORCE V	CAPSTAN
ARTY OFFR II F FORCE V	OAKRIDGE
CG 1ST INF DIV	CHEROKEE
ADC-A 1ST INF DIV	MANDARIN
ADC-B 1ST INF DIV	CLIPPER
C OF S 1ST INF DIV	QUICKSAND
CG 25TH INF DIV	SCIMITAR
ADC-M 25TH INF DIV	CHAINLOCKER
ADC-S 25TH INF DIV	CODY
C OF S 25TH INF DIV	SHANGRI-LA
CG 173RD AIRBORNE BDE	CORREGIDOR
DEPUTY SENIOR ADVISOR III	STING RAY

SECURE WORD DESIGNATORS

GENERAL/FLAG OFFICER	SECURE WORD
SA 5TH DIVISION	BABE RUTH
SA 10TH DIVISION	CROSSBOW
SA 25TH DIVISION	BUCCANEER

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 20-6 Pg 1 of 4

1 ATF COMMAND NET(VHF)

Freq: Main 36.8 Alt 43.2
2nd Alt 61.2

Dates	25/1	2/8	9/15
CALL WORD			
Main	M N	R W	L N
Alt	M U	P X	L T
2nd Alt	N V	Y C	P Q
1 ATF	3	11	16
5 RAR	2	18	14
6 RAR	5	16	13
1 APC SQN	4	15	11
CO 1 FD REGT	1	10	10
1 FD SQN	6	13	19
161 RECCE FLT	9	19	18
COMD ROVER	8	14	12
1 ARU	7	12	17
3 SAS SQN	10	17	15
LO BINH BA	16	6	8
REBRO	19	7	6
SPARE	18	9	7
SPARE	13	8	5
SPARE	14	3	2

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 20-6 Pg 1 of 4

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 20-6 Pg 2 of 4

1 ATF COMMAND NET(VHF)

Freq: Main 36.8 Alt 43.2
2nd Alt 61.2

Dates	16/22	23/29
CALL WORD		
Main	X G	K M
Alt	C K	L P
2nd Alt	U C	L U
1 ATF	23	63
5 RAR	25	23
6 RAR	63	43
1 APC SQN	43	25
CO 1 FD REGT	1	65
1 FD SQN	35	55
161 RECCE FLT	65	35
COMD ROVER	55	1
1 ARU	45	61
3 SAS SQN	76	45
LO BINH BA	66	46
REBRO	21	66
SPARE	36	21
SPARE	46	6
SPARE	41	26

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 20-6 Pg 2 of 4

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 20-6 Pg 3 of 4

1 ATF COMMAND NET(HF)

Freq Main 9426 Alt 2056

Dates	25/1	2/8	9/15
Call Word			
Main	G C	C W	X B
Alt	F A	K O	Y L
1 ATF	2	23	1
5 RAR	4	43	4
6 RAR	5	63	3
1 APC SQN	1	45	2
CO 1 FD REGT	3	25	9
1 FD SQN	6	55	5
161 RECCE FLT	9	1	6
COMD ROVER	7	65	7
3 SAS SQN	8	35	8
REBRO	14	66	14
SPARE	10	46	11
SPARE	18	36	10
SPARE	12	75	15

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 20-6 Pg 3 of 4

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 20-6 Pg 4 of 4

1 ATF COMMAND NET(HF)

Freq: Main 9426 Alt 2056

Dates	16/22	23/29
CALL WORD		
Main	X C	M R
Alt	K P	A K
1 ATF	18	4
5 RAR	10	1
6 RAR	11	3
1 APC SQN	13	2
CO 1 FD REGT	17	5
1 FD SQN	15	7
161 RECCE FLT	16	9
COMD ROVER	19	6
3 SAS SQN	14	8
REBRO	12	12
SPARE	8	14
SPARE	7	15
SPARE	6	19

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 20-6 Pg 4 of 4

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 21-6 Pg 1 of 4

1 ATF TG NET(HF)

Freq Main 3269 Alt 4057

Date	25/1	2/8	9/15
CALL WORD			
Main	A L	T C	U V
Alt	Y R	N U	A N
1 ATF	5	63	10
5 RAR	2	25	16
6 RAR	3	23	11
1 FD REGT	4	43	13
1 FD SQN	1	55	14
161 RECCE FLT	8	65	15
3 SAS SQN	9	35	19
SPARE	7	45	12
SPARE	6	1	18
SPARE	13	61	17

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 21-6 Pg 1 of 4

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 21-6 Pg 2 of 4

1 ATF TG NET(HF)

Freq: Main 3269 Alt 4057

Dates	16/22	23/29
CALL WORD		
Main	P V	T X
Alt	C L	L O
1 ATF	65	66
5 RAR	25	61
6 RAR	43	6
1 FD REGT	63	36
1 FD SQN	23	41
161 RECCE FLT	35	56
3 SAS SQN	1	76
SPARE	55	21
SPARE	45	46
SPARE	75	26

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 21-6 Pg 2 of 4

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 21-6 Pg 3 of 4

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

1 ATF TG NET(VHF)

Freq: Main 60.1 Alt

Dates	25/1	2/8	9/15
CALL WORD			
Main	L K	K N	Y M
Alt	R A	W H	XK
1 ATF	5	23	45
5 RAR	2	43	25
6 RAR	4	25	63
1 FD REGT	1	63	43
1 FD SQN	3	45	23
161 RECCE FLT	8	65	1
3 SAS SQN	9	1	35
SPARE	7	55	65
SPARE	6	35	55
SPARE	17	21	56

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 21-6 Pg 3 of 4

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 21-6 Pg 4 of 4

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

1 ATF TG NET(VHF)

Freq: Main 60.1

Dates	16/22	23/29
CALL WORD		
Main	A M	W X
Alt	V L	M O
1 ATF	25	3
5 RAR	23	1
6 RAR	63	4
1 FD REGT	43	2
1 FD SQN	65	6
161 RECCE FLT	1	7
3 SAS SQN	55	5
SPARE	45	9
SPARE	35	8
SPARE	61	11

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 21-6 Pg 4 of 4

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR22-6 Pg 1 of 8

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

5 RAR NETS BN COMD NET.

Freq Main 37.8 Alt 36.7

BN A/Q Flick Net Freq 42.9

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD		
	Main	Alt	AQ FLICK
25/1	U X	X B	V G
2/8	Y K	V K	R X
9/15	N U	Y C	A N
16/22	K P	V X	G K
23/29	A G	K T	Y M

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 22-6 Pg 1 of 8

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 22-6 Pg 2 of 8

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

5 RAR NETS A COY NET .

Freq: Main 36.6 Alt 44.6

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD	
	Main	Alt
25/1	W H	K O
2/8	A M	N C
9/15	T V	G L
16/22	U V	L U
23/29	Y G	G O

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 22-6 Pg 2 of 8

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 22-6 Pg 3 of 8

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

5 RAR NETS B COY NET .

Freq: Main 35.7 Alt 46.9

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD	
	Main	Alt
25/1	N O	P Q
2/8	W X	G F
9/15	V W	G F
16/22	A C	C O
23/29	W K	P U

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 22-6 Pg 3 of 8

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 22-6 Pg 4 of 8

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

5 RAR NETS C COY NET .

Freq: Main 41.4 Alt 44.9

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD	
	Main	Alt
25/1	L R	G Z
2/8	V K	C M
9/15	U W	U G
16/22	U A	W C
23/29	Y K	N W

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 22-6 Pg 4 of 8

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 22-6 Pg 5 of 8

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

5 RAR NETS D COY NET

Freq: Main 40.3 Alt 45.8

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD Main	Alt
25/1	G K	C N
2/8	V X	R C
9/15	G P	K R
16/22	X A	M P
23/29	N P	P W

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 22-6 Pg 5 of 8

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 22-6 Pg 6 of 8

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

5 RAR NETS MOR.PL NET

Freq: Main 55.8 Alt 60.65

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD Main	Alt
25/1	R X	N O
2/8	T J	A O
9/15	W L	Y P
16/22	G N	T G
23/29	D G	R T

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 22-6 Pg 6 of 8

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 22-6 Pg 7 of 8

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

5 RAR NETS ADM COY NET

Freq: Main 35.1 Alt

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD Main	Alt
25/1	K T	X O
2/8	V C	L M
9/15	A G	C P
16/22	T W	K O
23/29	M C	R U

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 22-6 Pg 7 of 8

C O N F I D E N T I A L

C O N F I D E N T I A L

1 ATF SOI ITEM 22-6 Pg 8 of 8

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

5 RAR NETS HF NET

Freq Main 2704 Alt 5180

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD Main	Alt
25/1	R V	X L
2/8	W M	P R
9/15	G O	U X
16/22	Y G	T V
23/29	N V	W G

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 22-6 Pg 8 of 8

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 23-6 Pg 1 of 8

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

6 RAR NETS BN COMD NET

Freq Main 35.0 Alt 44.3

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD Main	Alt
25/1	M N	Y G
2/8	C P	L T
9/15	T X	W L
16/22	V W	R T
23/29	T J	Y P

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 23-6 Pg 1 of 8

C O N F I D E N T I A L

C O N F I D E N T I A L

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 23-6 Pg 2 of 8

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

6 RAR NETS A COY NET

Freq: Main 46.8 Alt 35.9

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD Main	Alt
25/1	A C	X K
2/8	K L	Y C
9/15	C N	W K
16/22	A M	K P
23/29	U C	A G

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 23-6 Pg 2 of 8

C O N F I D E N T I A L

C O N F I D E N T I A L

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 23-6 Pg 3 of 8

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

6 RAR NETS B COY NET

Freq: Main 36.5 Alt 39.6

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD Main	Alt
25/1	R W	K R
2/8	W X	N W
9/15	A N	R V
16/22	U V	G P
23/29	X O	G L

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 23-6 Pg 3 of 8

C O N F I D E N T I A L

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 23-6 Pg 4 of 8

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

6 RAR NETS C COY NET

Freq: Main 35.2 Alt 57.8

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD Main	Alt
25/1	U A	W G
2/8	A O	V C
9/15	V K	V X
16/22	P X	N U
23/29	Y R	W M

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 23-6 Pg 4 of 8

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 23-6 Pg 5 of 8

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

6 RAR NETS D COY NET

Freq: Main 37.0 Alt 59.2

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD Main	Alt
25/1	G Z	M U
2/8	A K	T C
9/15	U G	A L
16/22	K N	X C
23/29	C M	M P

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 23-6 Pg 5 of 8

C O N F I D E N T I A L

C O N F I D E N T I A L

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 23-6 Pg 6 of 8

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

6 RAR NETS MOR PL NET

Freq: Main 59.6 Alt 55.7

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD Main	Alt
25/1	C K	U X
2/8	L R	K T
9/15	T W	F G
16/22	V L	L P
23/29	N C	V G

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 23-6 Pg 6 of 8

C O N F I D E N T I A L

C O N F I D E N T I A L

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 23-6 Pg 7 of 8

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

6 RAR NETS ADM COY NET

Freq: Main 37.3 Alt 58.65

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD Main	Alt
25/1	C L	X B
2/8	R X	G O
9/15	P W	M R
16/22	N O	Y K
23/29	R C	M V

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 23-6 Pg 7 of 8

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 23-6 Pg 8 of 8

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

6 RAR NETS HF NET

Freq Main 4137 Alt

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD Main	Alt
25/1	G K	N V
2/8	W H	Y L
9/15	U W	C O
16/22	G N	T V
23/29	X L	U R

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 23-6 Pg 8 of 8

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 1 of 21

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

3 SAS SQN NETS. SQN COMMAND NET

Freq: Main 36.0 Alt 44.4

Date	25/1	2/8	9/15
CALL WORD			
Main	Y P	R C	K N
Alt	L R	M V	P W
SQN HQ	66	61	11
I TP	75	76	18
J TP	21	41	10
K TP	6	26	16
OC	56	17	12

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 2 of 21

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

3 SAS SQN NETS. SQN COMMAND NET

Freq: Main 36.0 Alt 44.4

Date	16/22	23/29
CALL WORD		
Main	P X	A K
Alt	W H	R U
SQN HQ	14	23
I TP	15	43
J TP	45	55
K TP	63	1
OC	25	35

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 3 of 21

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1st HALF SQN REPORTING NET

Freq: Main 5397.5 Alt 2776

Dates	25	26	27	28
CALLWORD				
Main	K O	G L	X K	N W
Alt	X O	Y K	P U	L M
SQN HQ	36	12	11	66
Substa 1	75	14	12	36
Substa 2	6	16	13	46
Substa 3	56	19	16	41
Substa 4	41	18	19	21
Substa 5	66	10	10	6
Substa 6	26	17	15	75
Substa 7	46	11	17	76
Substa 8	61	13	18	56
Substa 9	76	15	14	61
Substa 10	21	8	7	26
Substa 11	65	6	9	35
Substa 12	35	7	1	65

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 4 of 21

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

1st HALF SQN REPORTING NET

Freq: Main 5397.5 Alt 2776

Dates	29	30	1	2
CALL WORD				
Main	N V	A M	X C	C K
Alt	G N	V W	A O	V G
Sqn HQ	2	61	63	56
Substa 1	3	56	43	66
Substa 2	5	76	45	46
Substa 3	4	75	55	75
Substa 4	63	6	65	61
Substa 5	25	21	35	4
Substa 6	43	41	1	2
Substa 7	23	46	26	3
Substa 8	55	36	6	1
Substa 9	45	66	21	6
Substa 10	65	25	76	9
Substa 11	35	23	36	5
Substa 12	26	1	41	17

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 5 of 21
RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES
1st HALF SQN REPORTING NET
Freq: Main 5397.5 Alt 2776

Dates	3	4	5	6
CALL WORD				
Main	C O	R A	V C	W X
Alt	L U	G K	P A	L N
SQN HQ	8	23	61	45
Substa 1	7	63	56	25
Substa 2	12	43	21	23
Substa 3	19	25	46	63
Substa 4	11	55	66	43
Substa 5	17	35	41	55
Substa 6	10	1	6	65
Substa 7	15	65	9	1
Substa 8	13	45	4	35
Substa 9	16	36	8	66
Substa 10	14	26	3	41
Substa 11	18	75	2	61
Substa 12	5	76	7	21

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 5 of 21
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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 6 of 21
RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES
1st HALF SQN REPORTING NET
Freq: Main 5397.5 Alt 2776

Dates	7	8	9	10
CALL WORD				
Main	LT	N P	T J	T W
Alt	V K	X A	T C	Y G
SQN HQ	65	4	46	63
Substa 1	23	3	26	25
Substa 2	63	5	61	23
Substa 3	43	1	75	45
Substa 4	25	2	76	35
Substa 5	55	9	41	65
Substa 6	1	7	15	55
Substa 7	45	8	13	1
Substa 8	35	6	16	41
Substa 9	6	10	14	61
Substa 10	66	19	18	66
Substa 11	36	11	17	6
Substa 12	56	12	43	75

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 6 of 21
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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 7 of 21
RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES
1st HALF SQN REPORTING NET
Freq: Main 5397.5 Alt 2776

Dates	11	12	13	14
CALL WORD				
Main	W G	U A	C G	G Z
Alt	R X	C M	Y R	A C
SQN HQ	26	7	23	75
Substa 1	46	6	43	66
Substa 2	76	16	65	46
Substa 3	56	18	63	6
Substa 4	21	10	25	61
Substa 5	36	12	1	36
Substa 6	1	17	55	26
Substa 7	2	11	35	65
Substa 8	4	14	45	25
Substa 9	3	15	41	63
Substa 10	5	19	21	43
Substa 11	8	13	56	23
Substa 12	9	18	76	45

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 7 of 21
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1 ATF SOI ITEM 24-6 Pg 8 of 21
RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES
1st HALF SQN REPORTING NET
Freq: Main 5397.5 Alt 2776

Dates	15	16	17	18
CALL WORD				
Main	M P	R V	P Q	P R
Alt	U C	M N	N O	R T
SQN HQ	65	61	16	26
Substa 1	1	6	11	56
Substa 2	55	4	15	75
Substa 3	35	1	19	66
Substa 4	46	2	10	6
Substa 5	75	3	18	46
Substa 6	66	5	13	46
Substa 7	76	66	14	1
Substa 8	36	7	61	65
Substa 9	21	8	41	55
Substa 10	56	9	36	35
Substa 11	26	17	76	63
Substa 12	41	12	21	23

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 8 of 21
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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 9 of 21
RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES
1st HALF SQN REPORTING NET
Freq: Main 5397.5 Alt 2776

Dates	19	20	21	22
Call Word				
Main	X B	W M	A N	K P
Alt	A L	U W	T X	W C
SQN HQ	23	3	14	45
Substa 1	63	5	16	65
Substa 2	43	1	17	55
Substa 3	25	2	13	21
Substa 4	35	4	10	56
Substa 5	65	7	19	26
Substa 6	45	8	11	46
Substa 7	1	6	23	61
Substa 8	55	9	63	66
Substa 9	75	15	25	75
Substa 10	41	18	43	36
Substa 11	76	10	35	6
Substa 12	36	12	1	76

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 9 of 21
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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 10 of 21
RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES
1st HALF SQN REPORTING NET
Freq: Main 5397.5 Alt 2776

Dates	23	24	25	26
CALL WORD				
Main	W L	Y L	K L	M O
Alt	C N	U G	L P	K M
SQN HQ	1	11	8	75
Substa 1	55	12	7	1
Substa 2	35	13	9	55
Substa 3	23	15	11	35
Substa 4	43	10	18	45
Substa 5	45	16	16	43
Substa 6	25	7	19	65
Substa 7	63	6	10	25
Substa 8	75	4	15	23
Substa 9	6	3	14	63
Substa 10	56	1	12	56
Substa 11	26	2	13	36
Substa 12	65	19	17	41

1st ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 10 of 21
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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 11 of 21
RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES
1st HALF SQN REPORTING NET
Freq: Main 5397.5 Alt 2776

Dates	27	28	29
CALL WORD			
Main	N C	Y M	U V
Alt	U X	G P	C P
SQN HQ	5	19	56
Substa 1	4	10	36
Substa 2	1	18	21
Substa 3	2	16	66
Substa 4	3	12	41
Substa 5	76	11	55
Substa 6	75	2	9
Substa 7	46	3	8
Substa 8	6	1	11
Substa 9	61	4	12
Substa 10	26	7	14
Substa 11	36	6	19
Substa 12	9	17	1

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 11 of 21
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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 12 of 21
RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES
2nd HALF SQN REPORTING NET
Freq: Main 4490 Alt 2324

Dates	25	26	27	28
CALL WORD				
Main	C O	P A	T X	V L
Alt	K N	R T	C G	M R
SQN HQ	66	25	10	55
Substa 1	6	65	11	19
Substa 2	36	41	15	11
Substa 3	35	21	12	10
Substa 4	45	76	14	6
Substa 5	1	36	17	9
Substa 6	65	75	55	8
Substa 7	55	46	25	7
Substa 8	63	61	43	2
Substa 9	25	56	45	3
Substa 10	43	6	63	4
Substa 11	23	26	23	1
Substa 12	46	66	16	63

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 12 of 21
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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 13 of 21
RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES
2nd HALF SQN REPORTING NET

Freq: Main 4490 Alt 2324

Dates	29	30	1	2
CALL WORD				
Main	C M	W L	G N	W K
Alt	P R	G Z	P W	A K
SQN HQ	45	41	5	76
Substa 1	65	11	6	21
Substa 2	55	16	8	41
Substa 3	21	10	7	46
Substa 4	56	17	3	61
Substa 5	26	12	4	35
Substa 6	46	19	1	1
Substa 7	61	14	2	55
Substa 8	66	18	66	45
Substa 9	75	15	36	65
Substa 10	36	13	75	43
Substa 11	6	10	26	25
Substa 12	76	9	56	23

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 13 of 21

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 14 of 21
RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES
2nd HALF SQN REPORTING NET

Freq: Main 4490 Alt 2324

Dates	3	4	5	6
CALL WORD				
Main	Y L	K L	W G	N W
Alt	G P	U A	N P	Y P
SQN HQ	76	41	35	10
Substa 1	21	6	45	16
Substa 2	41	56	65	14
Substa 3	46	63	55	12
Substa 4	61	46	25	18
Substa 5	35	26	23	6
Substa 6	1	21	63	5
Substa 7	55	75	43	7
Substa 8	45	76	17	8
Substa 9	65	66	15	9
Substa 10	43	61	11	2
Substa 11	25	36	13	1
Substa 12	23	1	19	3

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 14 of 21

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 15 of 21
RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES
2nd HALF SQN REPORTING NET

Freq: Main 4490 Alt 2324

Dates	7	8	9	10
CALL WORD				
Main	W M	U G	A C	A L
Alt	T J	N V	C P	M N
SQN HQ	26	18	63	56
Substa 1	66	19	23	75
Substa 2	76	12	25	46
Substa 3	75	13	43	36
Substa 4	21	11	55	66
Substa 5	41	16	65	21
Substa 6	36	56	35	26
Substa 7	61	6	1	19
Substa 8	43	46	45	17
Substa 9	25	1	76	18
Substa 10	63	65	61	12
Substa 11	45	55	6	14
Substa 12	23	35	41	16

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 15 of 21

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1 ATF SOI TIEM NR 24-6 Pg 16 of 21
RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES
2nd HALF SQN REPORTING NET

Freq: Main 4490 Alt 2324

Dates	11	12	13	14
CALL WORD				
Main	W M	A O	U C	L N
Alt	C K	R W	X C	P U
SQN HQ	10	25	6	56
Substa 1	11	65	26	76
Substa 2	13	43	66	21
Substa 3	15	63	21	66
Substa 4	8	23	76	26
Substa 5	6	45	41	75
Substa 6	9	35	61	46
Substa 7	7	1	14	41
Substa 8	5	55	15	6
Substa 9	3	36	19	61
Substa 10	4	75	13	36
Substa 11	2	56	10	55
Substa 12	1	46	12	35

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 16 of 21

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 17 of 21
RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES
2nd HALF SQN REPORTING NET

Freq: Main 4490 Alt 2324

Dates	15	16	17	18
CALL WORD				
Main	R C	T C	L O	L P
Alt	L T	T G	C L	M O
SQN HQ	21	45	7	45
Substa 1	56	65	9	1
Substa 2	76	25	16	55
Substa 3	66	63	11	41
Substa 4	26	43	10	26
Substa 5	75	23	18	6
Substa 6	46	3	17	66
Substa 7	41	1	25	36
Substa 8	6	2	43	75
Substa 9	61	4	63	56
Substa 10	36	5	23	46
Substa 11	55	6	65	61
Substa 12	35	8	35	21

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 18 of 21
RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES
2nd HALF SQN REPORTING NET

Freq: Main 4490 Alt 2324

Dates	19	20	21	22
CALL WORD				
Main	P X	X K	L R	M P
Alt	R V	K M	C N	M U
SQN HQ	18	6	55	63
Substa 1	16	5	45	43
Substa 2	15	1	36	25
Substa 3	12	2	46	23
Substa 4	10	3	76	35
Substa 5	17	4	66	65
Substa 6	11	25	61	55
Substa 7	14	43	41	1
Substa 8	19	63	6	45
Substa 9	13	23	21	41
Substa 10	8	65	56	6
Substa 11	9	35	75	61
Substa 12	7	1	26	56

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 19 of 21
RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES
2ndHALF SQN REPORTING NET

Freq: 4490 Alt 2324

Dates	23	24	25	26
CALL WORD				
Main	R U	K R	P W	L M
Alt	W C	V C	R A	X L
SQN HQ	75	13	6	45
Substa 1	76	11	36	1
Substa 2	21	15	75	35
Substa 3	26	14	76	63
Substa 4	46	10	61	25
Substa 5	36	8	41	43
Substa 6	66	7	26	23
Substa 7	16	6	56	19
Substa 8	10	9	46	14
Substa 9	12	2	66	16
Substa 10	19	4	21	10
Substa 11	18	5	55	13
Substa 12	17	1	65	17

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 24-6 Pg 20 of 21
RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES
2nd HALF SQN REPORTING NET

Freq: Main 4490 Alt 2324

Dates	27	28	29
CALL WORD			
Main	Y R	V W	M V
Alt	X G	P V	X O
SQN HQ	76	41	75
Substa 1	21	61	36
Substa 2	26	66	56
Substa 3	46	75	76
Substa 4	45	56	41
Substa 5	65	6	26
Substa 6	55	36	6
Substa 7	1	19	21
Substa 8	35	15	46
Substa 9	43	16	66
Substa 10	63	13	61
Substa 11	25	11	45
Substa 12	23	17	1

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RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

SQN EMERGENCY NETS

1st HALF SQN EMERGENCY NET

Freq: Main 3200 Kcs

Alt

2nd HALF SQN EMERGENCY NET

Freq: Main 2616Kcs

Alt

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 25-6 Pg 1 of 4

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

1 APC SQN NETS SQN NET

Freq Main 37.4 Alt 45.6

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD Main	Alt
25/1	P Q	L O
2/8	P A	L M
9/15	P U	L U
16/22	P V	P R
23/29	Y M	N P

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 25-6 Pg 1 of 4

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 25-6 Pg 2 of 8

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

1 APC SQN NETS 2 TP NET

Freq: Main 43.6 Alt 59.45

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD Main	Alt
25/1	T G	R A
2/8	C G	M O
9/15	K O	X A
16/22	X G	K M
23/29	W C	L N

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 25-6 Pg 2 of 4

C O N F I D E N T I A L

C O N F I D E N T I A L

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 25-6 Pg 3 of 4

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

1 APC SQN NETS 3 TP NET

Freq: Main 46.2 Alt 62.8

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD Main	Alt
25/1	V X	L U
2/8	N U	K R
9/15	L M	X L
16/22	A N	Y R
23/29	N V	C K

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 25-6 Pg 3 of 4

C O N F I D E N T I A L

C O N F I D E N T I A L

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 25-6 Pg 4 of 4

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

1 APC SQN NETS 4 TP NET

Freq: Main 43.1 Alt 55.1

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD Main	Alt
25/1	P O	N P
2/8	A K	T C
9/15	A M	X A
16/22	X C	R X
23/29	L O	V W

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 25-6 Pg 4 of 4

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 26-6 Pg 1 of 6

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

1 FD REGT NETS REGT NET

Freq Main 45.2 Alt 46.3

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD Main	Alt
25/1	P R	M R
2/8	P A	Y M
9/15	X G	K T
16/22	W C	P V
23/29	W M	U C

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 26-6 Pg 1 of 6

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 26-6 Pg 2 of 6

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

1 FD REGT NETS 101 BTY NET

Freq Main 35.8 Alt 55.6

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD Main	Alt
25/1	P W	R W
2/8	M U	C L
9/15	C M	L T
16/22	Y L	C O
23/29	L N	G Z

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 26-6 Pg 2 of 6

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 26-6 Pg 3 of 6

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

1 FD REGT NETS 103 BTY NET

Freq Main 40.7 Alt 61.15

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD Main	Alt
25/1	R A	K P
2/8	X O	M V
9/15	C P	A O
16/22	K O	V C
23/29	V K	C N

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 26-6 Pg 3 of 6

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 26-6 Pg 4 of 6

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

1 FD REGT NETS 161 BTY NET

Freq Main 41.3 Alt 57.2

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD Main	Alt
25/1	C G	W X
2/8	N W	A G
9/15	WH	T W
16/22	K N	T G
23/29	W G	W K

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 26-6 Pg 4 of 6

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 26-6 Pg 5 of 6

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

1 FD REGT NETS A BTY 2/35 US ARTY

Freq Main 46.7 Alt 60.8

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD	
	Main	Alt
25/1	U W	R C
2/8	L R	T X
9/15	P U	G O
16/22	T V	G F
23/29	X B	U X

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 26-6 Pg 5 of 6

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 26-6 Pg 6 of 6

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

1 FD REGT NETS HF NET

Freq Main 3871 Alt 2690

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD	
	Main	Alt
25/1	Y P	R V
2/8	G L	W L
9/15	N C	Y C
16/22	V L	G K
23/29	M P	M O

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 26-6 Pg 6 of 6

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 27-6 Pg 1 of 2

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

1 ATF LOC TP NETS LOC NET

Freq 55.3

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD
25/1	GOLF NOVEMBER
2/8	ROMEO TANGO
9/15	ALPHA TANGO
16/22	ROMEO UNIFORM
23/29	GOLF PAPA

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 27-6 Pg 1 of 2

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 27-6 Pg 2 of 2

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

1 ATF LOC TP NETS SVY NET

Freq 61.4

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD
25/1	XRAY KILO
2/8	UNIFORM GOLF
9/15	MIKE NOVEMBER
16/22	KILO LIMA
23/29	PAPA XRAY

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 27-6 Pg 2 of 2

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 28-6 Pg 1 of 2

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

1 FD SQN NETS SQN VHF NET

Freq Main 63.65 Alt 57.1

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD	
	Main	Alt
25/1	N O	K M
2/8	L P	A C
9/15	T J	U V
16/22	V G	Y K
23/29	Y G	U A

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 28-6 Pg 1 of 2

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 28-6 Pg 2 of 2

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

1 FD SQN NETS SQN HF NET

Freq 2805 Kcs

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD
25/1	ROMEO XRAY
2/8	ROMEO UNIFORM
9/15	LIMA PAPA
16/22	XRAY OSCAR
23/29	GOLF PAPA

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 28-6 Pg 2 of 2

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RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

1 TOPO SVY TP NET

Freq:

Date	CALL WORD
25/1	NOVEMBER CHARLIE
2/8	ROMEO CHARLIE
9/15	YANKEE CHARLIE
16/22	YANKEE LIMA
23/29	MIKE NOVEMBER

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 29-6 Pg 1 of 1

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 30-6 Pg 1 of 1

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

161 RECCE FLT COMD NET

Freq 39.5

Date	CALL WORD
25/1	KILO TANGO
2/8	NOVEMBER UNIFORM
9/15	CHARLIE NOVEMBER
16/22	MIKE OSCAR
23/29	CHARLIE OSCAR

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 30-6 Pg 1 of 1

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 31-6 Pg 1 of 2

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

1 ATF PRO SEC TFC CONTROL NET 1

Freq 57.6

Date	CALL WORD
25/1	GOLF LIMA
2/8	ALPHA CHARLIE
9/15	ALPHA OSCAR
16/22	XRAY ALPHA
23/29	VICTOR CHARLIE

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 31-6 Pg 1 of 2

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 31-6 Pg 2 of 2

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

1 ATF PRO SEC TFC CONTROL NET 2

Freq 60.95

Date	CALL WORD
25/1	LIMA OSCAR
2/8	ALPHA LIMA
9/15	WHISKEY XRAY
16/22	WHISKEY HOTEL
23/29	NOVEMBER OSCAR

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 31-6 Pg 2 of 2

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 32-6 Pg 1 of 1

1 ARU UNIT NET

Freq 61.5

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD
25/1	UNIFORM GOLF
2/8	VICTOR LIMA
9/15	MIKE ROMEO
16/22	KILO NOVEMBER
23/29	XRAY KILO

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 32-6 Pg 1 of 1

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 33-6 Pg 1 of 1

KANGAROO CONTROL

Frequencies:

VHF Main 26.1 Alt 37.6

UHF Main 369.6

DINGO CONTROL

Frequencies:

VHF 43.5 FM

VHF 131.2 AM

UHF 359.6

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 35-6 Pg 1 of 1

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 34-6 Pg 1 of 1

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

17 CONST SQN COMD NET

Freq: Main 57.25

Date	CALL WORD
25/1	YANKEE MIKE
2/8	PAPA ROMEO
9/15	PAPA QUEBEC
16/22	TANGO CHARLIE
23/29	PAPA ALPHA

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 34-6 Pg 1 of 1

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 35-6 Pg 1 of 2

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

1 COY RAASC COMD NET

Freq Main 58.55

Date	CALL WORD
25/1	YANKEE PAPA
2/8	UNIFORM CHARLIE
9/15	GOLF ZULU
16/22	TANGO WHISKEY
23/29	ALPHA NOVEMBER

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 35-6 Pg 1 of 2

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 35-6 Pg 2 of 2

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

1 COY RAASC CONVOY COMD NET

Freq Main 42.8 Alt 43.3

Date	CALL WORD	
	Main	Alt
25/1	X G	T G
2/8	P U	A G
9/15	L N	U A
16/22	R V	G K
23/29	K R	K O

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 35-6 Pg 2 of 2

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 36-6 Pg 1 of 1

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

11 MC GP. MC NET

Freq 57.65

Date	CALL WORD
25/1	UNIFORM XRAY
2/8	YANKEE ROMEO
9/15	YANKEE KILO
16/22	MIKE PAPA
23/29	LIMA ROMEO

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 36-6 Pg 1 of 1

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 37-6 Pg 1 of 1

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

101 FD WKSPS RECOVERY NET

Freq 56.5

Date	CALL WORD
25/1	CHARLIE PAPA
2/8	LIMA UNIFORM
9/15	CHARLIE GOLF
16/22	KILO MIKE
23/29	NOVEMBER VICTOR

WORKSHOP TEST FREQUENCY 58.0

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 37-6 Pg 1 of 1

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 38-5 Pg 1 of 1

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

2 COMP ORD DEPOT UNIT NET

Freq 61.25

FIXED CALL SIGNS

Date	CALL WORD
25/1	ALPHA MIKE
2/8	UNIFORM WHISKEY
9/15	PAPA WHISKEY
16/22	MIKE UNIFORM
23/29	TANGO JULIETT

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 38-5 Pg 1 of 1

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 39-3 Pg 1 of 1

RADIO CALL SIGNS AND FREQUENCIES

1 ALSG DEFENCE NET

Freq 59.7

Date	CALL WORD
25/1	WHISKEY LIMA
2/8	VICTOR WHISKEY
9/15	WHISKEY MIKE
16/22	VICTOR XRAY
23/29	MIKE VICTOR

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 39-3 Pg 1 of 1

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1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 42-2 Pg 1 of 1

RAAF ATOC - BASUPFLT LINK

Freq 59.0

	CALL WORD
ATOC HQ 1 ATF	BROMO MARGIN
BASUPFLT COMCEN	CURVEY GROUP

1 ATF SOI ITEM NR 42- Pg 1 of 1

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1 ATF SOI ITEM No 43-1 Pg 1 of 1

1 ARU (ALSG)UNIT NET

Freq Main 59.8

Date	Call Word
25/1	PAPA ECHO
2/8	TANGO ALPHA
9/15	MIKE ZULU
16/22	WHISKEY YANKEE
23/29	KILO ECHO

1 ATF SOI ITEM No 43-1 Pg 1 of 1

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Annex D

To

Commander's Diary

(December 1967)

[APPEARS TO BE Dec 1966]

Enclosures:

1. HQ 1ATF OPORD 1-16-66 (Op CANARY)
2. 5RAR OPORD 24-66 (Op CANARY)
3. 5RAR OPORD 25-66 (Op TUMBARUMBA)
4. Deferment Op TUMBARUMBA
5. HQ 1ATF OPORD 1-17-66 (Op DUCK)
6. HQ 1ATF OPORD 1-18-66 (Op PICTON)
7. Christmas Policy
8. 5 RAR OPORD 27-66 (Op ALBANY)
9. HQ 1ATF OP~~ORD~~ INSTR 1-66 (Op CALOUNDRA)
10. D DAY OP CALOUNDRA
11. New Year Policy

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Reference: Maps: VIETNAM 1:50,000 Sheet 6442 IV Series 6701
1:25,000 Sheet 6430 III SE Series L8015
1:25,000 Sheet 6430 III S L8020 Picto
1:25,000 Enlargement NUI DINH Hills

1. SITUATION:

a. Enemy Forces:

(1) Annex A.

(2) 1 ATF Daily Intelligence Summary.

b. Friendly Forces:

(1) 199th Lt Inf Bde (Sep) arrives in RVN as follows:

(a) Main Body - Personnel disembark from vessel at VUNG TAU 8-11 Dec 66 and move to base camp at LONG BINH.

(b) Vehicles and equipment arrive at SAIGON Port during period 5-20 Dec 66 and move directly to base camp LONG BINH.

(2) Transport for the personnel move will be provided by 1st Log Comd.

(3) Convoy movement on Highway 15 will take place between 0900 and approximately 1600 hours each day. Traffic control will be provided by 1st Inf Div.

(4) Route security of Highway 15 will be provided by 1st ATF from BARIA YS 375610 to PHU MY YS 253744, and by 11 ACR from PHU MY YS 254744 to LONG BINH YT 063123.

(5) ARVN/RF/PF locations. Annex B.

c. Attachments and Detachments. No change.

2. MISSION: 1st ATF will secure Highway 15 from BARIA YS 375610 to PHU MY YS 253774 for personnel carrying vehicle convoys during the period 8-12 Dec 66 inclusive.

3. EXECUTION:

a. Concept of Operation:

(1) 5 RAR and 3 SAS Sqn conduct recce and clearing operations along highway 15 and in NUI DINH Hills YS 3365 and NUI THI VAI Hills YS 2971 during period D minus 7 to D Day.

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(2) Route will be secured by 5 RAR with elements of 1 APC Sqn and 1 Fd Sqn RAE under command. Artillery will be located to cover Highway 15 from BARIA to PHU MY.

(3) Road security will be achieved by maintaining company bases and conducting infantry and APC patrols of the road, with emphasis on likely ambush places and approaches to them.

b. 5 RAR:

(1) Deploy by APCs and wheeled vehicles along Highway 15 on D minus 4 to clear AO PETER by 1600 hrs D minus 1.

(2) Redeploy battalion by 1600 hours on D minus 1 to company bases on Highway 15 between PHU MY YS 253774 and BARIA YS 382602 to provide close security for convoy movements along Highway 15.

(3) Take under command one company 6 RAR at 1400 hrs D minus 1 for protection of artillery fire support base at YS 257683.

(4) Retain under command one tp 1 APC on completion of initial deployment on D minus 4 and one additional section APCs from 1400 hours D minus 1.

(5) Conduct clearance of Highway 15 by 0900 hours daily with under command one tp 1 APC Sqn and four combat engineer teams 1 Fd Sqn.

(6) Be responsible for route security of Highway 15 between PHU MY YS 254744 and BARIA YS 375610 between 0900 and approximat ly 1600 hours daily.

(7) Be prepared to conduct a village cordon operation between 12 and 14 Dec 66.

c. 6 RAR:

(1) Continue patrolling of TAOR.

(2) Provide one rifle company under command 5 RAR at YS 257683 from 1400 hours D minus 1 for protection of fire support base.

(3) Provide one company ready reaction force located in 1st ATF Base Area, on thirty minutes standby from 0700 hours D minus 4.

d. Artillery:

(1) Continue to provide 103 Fd Bty RAA in direct support 5 RAR.

(2) Provide Bty A, 2/35 Arty (minus) in support of 1st ATF and at priority call to 5 RAR.

(3) Place 103 Fd Bty RAA and Bty A, 2/35 Arty (minus) under command 5 RAR for movement to fire support base along Highway 15 (Annex P) from 0700 hours D minus 1, and for movement from fire support base to 1st ATF Base Area at conclusion of operation.

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e. 1 APC Sqn:

(1) Provide maximum effort, for deployment of 5 RAR Group, under command 5 RAR on D minus 4.

(2) Retain one tp under command 5 RAR after initial deployment on D minus 4. Increase this troop to include five APC sections as from 1400 hours D minus 1 to assist in patrol operations and daily clearance of Highway 15.

(3) Be prepared to support 5 RAR in village cordon operations on 12, 13 and 14 Dec 66 and return of 5 RAR group to 1 ATF Base Area on completion of operation.

f. 1 Fd Sqn RAE:

(1) Provide four combat engineer teams under command 5 RAR from 0700 hours D minus 1 for daily clearance of highway 15.

(2) Continue Operation CASULA.

g. 3 SAS Sqn: Deploy Delta/Sierra patrols in NUI THI VAI Hill area from D minus 7 to D Day.

H. 161 (indep) Recce Flt:

(1) Provide one H13 in direct support 5 RAR from 0700 hours D minus 4 until completion of operation.

(2) Provide surveillance of TAOR as ordered.

i. Army Aviation (US): Light fire team continues to be located at LZ KANGAROO YS 432667 in 1st ATF Base Area during daylight hours to provide airborne escort to troop convoys. Other missions as ordered.

j. Coordinating instructions:

(1) Operation Overlay: Annex P.

(2) Boundaries: Annex P.

(3) ARVN/RF/PF Outposts: Phuoc Tuy Sector HQ has been requested to limit ARVN/RF/PF movement to within 200 metres of outposts for duration of operation.

(4) D Day. 8 Dec 66.

(5) Air (USAF): FAC aircraft is to cover 1 ATF AO between 0800 hours and 1600 hours daily from D minus 4.

(6) Air (RAAF): Provide six UHiBs on standby daily between 0800 hours and 1730 hours at LZ KANGAROO.

(7) Liaison:

(a) 1st ATF will provide Liaison Officer with HQ 11th ACR.

(b) 1st Inf Div and 11 ACR will place Liaison Officers with 1st ATF during the operation.

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(8) Convoy Movement:

(a) 1st Inf Div informs 1st ATF and 11th ACR when convoy movement is complete for each day.

(b) HQ 1 ATF will advise 5 RAR following information:

i. Number of vehicles in convoys.

ii. Estimated times of convoys passing through BARIA and PHU MY.

iii. When convoy movement is complete for each day.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS:

a. Maintenance of 5 RAR Group will be by air and by tracked and wheeled vehicles.

b. Transport - 14 x trucks 2½ ton (not dump) for movement of artillery to and from fire support base.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL

a. Signal:

(1) 1st ATF SOI.

(2) Convoy Control Frequency 36.00. Control: 1st Inf Div.

(3) A rebroadcast station will be deployed by 103 Sig Sqn on VC Hill YS 2645 from D minus 7 for the duration of the operation.

(4) Light aircraft is available for aerial rebroadcast as required.

b. Command: HQ 1st ATF remains present location.

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Distribution: Annex Z (Distribution)

Annexes: A. Intelligence.
B. ARVN/RF/PF locations.
P. Operation Overlay.
Z. Distribution.

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Annex A (Enemy) to Opord 1-16-66 (Op CANARY)

1. Enemy forces normally operating in close proximity to Highway 15 are:

Chau Duc District Coy (C 20)
Phu My Guerilla Pl
Phuoc Noa Guerilla Pl
Phu Hai Guerilla Pl
Transportation Coy of Group 84 (C125)

In addition there is a reported independent coy (C2) which has the mission of securing Highway 15 for use of VC traffic during hours of darkness.

2. Contact with up to platoon size groups of enemy is possible, but contact with larger groups is unlikely. VC activity will probably consist of sniping and booby trapping.

3. The 274 Regt is believed to be located in the northern HAT DICH area (YS3585). This regiment has a mission to attack the GVN outpost at PHU MY (YS2377) and to conduct an ambush on Highway 15 near PHUOC HOA (YS2863), but is not likely to attempt either of these while 1 ATF is in the general area.

4. The area of the caves (YS2871) was seeded with CS crystals after Op QUEANBEYAN and it is unlikely that this area is being used by the VC.

5. The routes EAST from PHU MY to the HAT DICH have had continual heavy use in recent weeks, probably by administrative units of Group 84 and 274 Regt. Contact could be expected in this area during the early stages of the operation. The trail between the NUI DINH and the NUI THI VAI mountains shows no signs of recent use.

6. At Appx 1 is a sketch showing VC contacts and installations in the operational area.

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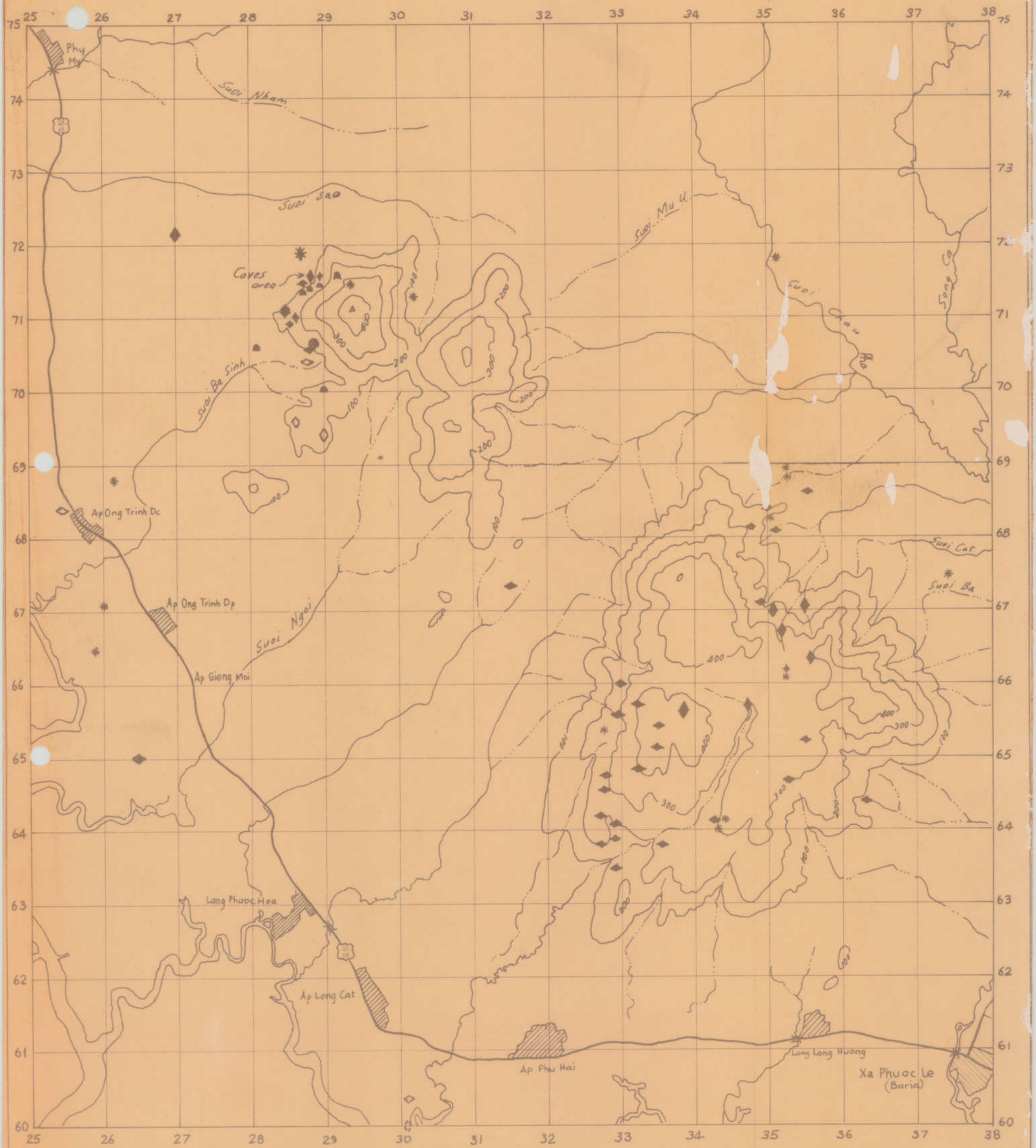
Appendix 1 (VC Installations & Contacts) to Annex A (Enemy) to OPORD 1-16-66 (Op CANARY)



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Contacts/Sightings ..... *

Caches .....

Installations *(less than Coy)* .....

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Installations *(greater than Coy)* .....

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Annex B (ARVN/RF/PF Locations) to Opord 1-16-66 (Op CANARY)

1. ARVN: NIL

2. RF:

578 RF Coy	YS282642
609 RF Coy	YS260679
701 RF Coy	YS254745
787 RF Coy	YS254714

3. PF:

3 PF P1	YS 364610
4 PF P1	YS 356614
5 PF P1	YS 320613
6 PF P1	YS 326610
7 PF P1	YS 381616
8 PF P1	YS 325610
9 PF P1	YS 325610
10 PF P1	YS 325610
11 PF P1	YS 300614
12 PF P1	YS 300614
13 PF P1	YS 308609
16 PF P1	YS 376612

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Annex P (Area of Operation) to OPORD 1-16-66 (OP CANARY)

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Annex Z (Distribution) to Opord 1-16-66 (Op CANARY)

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6 RAR	4 - 6
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1 APC Sqn	8
1 Fd Regt RAA	9
1st Bn, 83d Artillery	10
1 Fd Sqn RAE	11
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547 Sig Tp	13
Det 1 Div Int Unit	14
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Reference: Maps VIETNAM 1:50,000, Sheets 6442 IV and 6442 III, Series 6701
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1:25,000, Enlargement NUI DINH HILLS

1. SITUATION.

a Enemy Forces Annex A.

b Friendly Forces.

(1) Vietnamese forces along Route 15 are as follows:

(a)	Phu My North 237772	3 Coy/3 Bn/43 Regt 2 Pl/B Bty/101 Arty Regt
(b)	Phu My 252746	701 RF Coy
(c)	252713	707 RF Coy
(d)	Ap Ong Trinh Dc	609 RF Coy
(e)	Ap Ong Trinh Dc 267668	One PF Pl
(f)	282642	578 RF Coy
(g)	Rach Vang Bridge 290627	One PF Pl
(h)	Ap Long Cat 297617	One PF Pl
(i)	Ap Phu Hai 313610	One PF Pl
(j)	330608	One PF Pl
(k)	LangLong Huong 335615	One PF Pl

(2) All compounds of the RF companies are surrounded by a belt of mines, extending out to 20 metres from the perimeter

(3) The strategic hamlets occupied by the PF platoons are also surrounded by mines and booby traps. Attempts have been made to mark these, but the marking is incomplete.

(4) The operation will be conducted within AO PETER See Annex P.

(5) 199th Lt Inf Bde will arrive at VUNG TAU 8-11 Dec 66 and move direct to LONG BINH YT 0612 by means of Route 15.

(6) PHUOC TUY Sector HQ has been requested to limit ARVN/RF/PF movement to within 200 metres of outpost for duration of the operation

/c. Attachments and

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c. Attachments and Detachments.

(1) Under command from 040700 H Dec 66 — One tp 1 APC Sqn (11 APCs); Four combat engineer teams (each of seven men) plus a comd element

(2) Under command from 040700 H Dec 66 until released by 5 RAR on 4 Dec 66 — Two tps(-) 1 APC Sqn (17 x APCs); 29 TCVs

(3) Under command from 071600 H Dec 66 — One sect 1 APC Sqn; One coy 6 RAR.

(4) In direct sup ort and under com and for movement from 040700 H Dec 66 — 103 Fd Bty

(5) In support, at priority call and under command for movement from 040700 H Dec 66 — One ol A Bty 2/35 US Arty; One light fire team; One H13 of 161 Recce Flt

(6) In sup ort from 040700 H Dec 66

2. MISSION. 5 RAR is to secure Route 15 from bridge at YS 375610 to bridge at YS 254744 from 071700 H to 121600 H Dec 66.

3 EXECUTION.

a. General Outline. The operation will be conducted in four phases as follows:

(1) Phase 1. Move by APC/TCV to area of operations.

(2) Phase 2.

(a) A Coy and D Coy clear to southern end of NUI THI and NUI DINH mountains.

(b) B Coy clear area CHALK.

(c) C Coy reserve, secure gun area and clear area ALMOND.

(3) Phase 3. Secure areas adjacent to Route 15

(4) Phase 4. Move to harbour area in preparation for future requirements.

b A Coy

(1) Grouping

(a) Normal attachments

(b) Under com and from 040700 H Dec 66 — One combat engineer team of seven men

(c) In sup ort from 071600 H Dec 66 — One sect 1 APC Sqn

(d) In location from 0716 00 H Dec 66 — One sect Mor Pl

/(2) Tasks

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(2) Tasks

(a) Phase 1. Move to area of operations See Annex B.

(b) Phase 2 Clear the pagoda vic 323627 and then clear NUI DINH mountains. Routes and LZs shown at Annex P.

(c) Phase 3

i. Secure Route 15 within area ALMOND from creek at 306610 to creek SUOI NGOT at 274652. This will be done by establishing a base in vic 288634 and patrolling area ALMOND with one platoon and clearing Route 15 daily with APCs/engrs/inf for mines, booby traps and ambush parties The Route 15 patrols are to commence at 0700 hrs daily. Annex Q.

ii. Establish an LZ at the company base.

iii. Establish a road block on Route 15 adjacent to the company base and prevent movement along the road during curfew.

(d) Phase 4. Move to harbour area 2674, on orders from Bn HQ, in preparation for future requirements.

c. B Coy.

(1) Grouping.

(a) Normal attachments.

(b) Under command from 040700 H Dec 66 — One combat engineer team of seven men

(c) In support from 040700 H Dec 66 — One sect 1 APC Sqn

(2) Tasks.

(a) Phase 1 Move to area CHALK. See Annex B

(b) Phase 2. Clear area CHALK from SOUTH to NORTH. Annex P.

(c) Phase 3.

i. Secure Route 15 within area BARITONE from bridge 254744 to 253704. This will be done by establishing a base in vic 256740 and patrolling area BARITONE with one platoon and clearing Route 15 daily with APCs/engrs/inf for mines, booby traps and ambush parties. The Route 15 patrols are to commence at 0700 hrs daily. Annex Q

ii. Establish an LZ at the company base

iii Establish a road block on Route 15 adjacent to the company base and prevent movement along the road during curfew.

(d) Phase 4 Move to harbour area 2674, on orders from Bn HQ, in preparation for future requirements.

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d. C Coy.

(1) Grouping

(a) Normal attachments.

(b) Under command from 040700 H Dec 66 — One combat engineer team of seven men

(c) In support from 040700 H Dec 66 — One sect 1 APC Sqn

(2) Tasks.

(a) Phase 1. Move to gun area vic 292623 and secure gun area. Movement details at Annex B.

(b) Phase 2

i. Battalion reserve.

ii. Based on gun area clear area ALMOND from 31 Easting to the NW. Annex P.

iii. Patrol Route 15 in area ALMOND when ALMOND has been cleared.

(c) Phase 3

i Secure Route 15 within area CHALK from creek SUOI NGOT 274652 to 253704 between 071700 H and 121600 H Dec 66. This will be done by establishing a base at the gun area, vic 260683, and patrolling area CHALK with one platoon and clearing Route 15 daily with APCs/engrs/inf for mines, booby traps and ambush parties. The Route 15 patrols are to commence at 0700 hrs daily Annex Q

ii Establish an LZ at the company base.

iii Establish a road block on Route 15 adjacent to the company base and prevent movement along the road during curfew

(d) Phase 4. Move to harbour area 2674 on orders from Bn HQ, in preparation for future requirements

e. D Coy.

(1) Grouping.

(a) Normal attachments

(b) Under command from 040700 H Dec 66 — One combat engineer team of seven men.

(c) In support from 071600 H Dec 66 — One sect 1 APC Sqn

(d) In location from 071600 H Dec 66 — One sect Mor Pl

(2) Tasks.

(a) Phase 1 Move to vic 356615 See Annex B.

(b) Phase 2 Clear NUI THI mountains Routes and LZs shown at Annex P

/(c) Phase 3.

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(c) Phase 3.

i. Secure Route 15 within area DIAMOND from bridge 375610 to bridge 306610 between 071700 H and 121600 H Dec 66. This will be done by establishing a base at vic 340613 (or a base further EAST) and patrolling area DIAMOND with one platoon and clearing Route 15 daily with APCs/engrs/inf for mines, booby traps and ambush parties The Route 15 patrols are to commence at 0700 hrs daily Annex Q.

ii. Establish an LZ at the company base.

iii Establish a road block on Route 15 adjacent to the company base and prevent movement along the road during curfew.

(d) Phase 4 Move to harbour area 2674, on orders from Bn HQ, in preparation for future requirements.

f. Mor Pl.

(1) Grouping.

(a) One sect to remain in the base area.

(b) During Phase 1 and Phase 2 two sects are to be located at the gun area 292623. Annex P.

(c) One sect in location A Coy for Phase 3 Annex Q.

(d) One sect in location D Coy for Phase 3. Annex Q.

(2) Tasks.

(a) Base area defence - one sect

(b) General support for the operation platoon less one sect.

(c) Carry forward 100 rounds HE, 10 rounds smoke and 25 rounds illuminating per mortar.

(d) On completion Phase 3, and on orders from Bn HQ, the mortars are to move to the gun area at 258682.

g. Recce Pl.

(1) Grouping.

(a) Normal attachments.

(b) Remain under command Bn HQ.

(2) Tasks.

(a) Assist in defence of Bn HQ.

(b) Tasks as allotted from time to time.

h. Aslt Pnr Pl.

(1) Grouping

(a) Normal attachments.

/(b) Remain under

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(b) Remain under command Bn HQ.

(2) Tasks.

(a) Construct LZs as required

(b) Normal destruction and delousing tasks.

(c) Carry maximum explosives, two axes and one wood auger.

(d) Assist in defence of Bn HQ.

i. 1 APC Sqn

(1) Grouping.

(a) Under command from 040700 H Dec 66 — One tp 1 APC Sqn (11 x APCs)

(b) Under command from 040700 H Dec 66 until released by 5 RAR on 4 Dec 66. — Two tps(-) 1 APC Sqn (17 APCs).

(c) Under command from 071600 H — One sect 1 APC Sqn

(2) Tasks.

(a) Phase 1

i Assist in defence of battalion column during move to area of operations See Annex B

ii. On orders 5 RAR two tps(-) (17 APCs) escort empty TCVs and three trucks ¼ ton to BARIA. TCVs then move to VUNG TAU. APCs and trucks ¼ ton to NUI DAT.

(b) Phase 2

i. One sect in support each B Coy and C Coy from 040700 H Dec 66.

ii. Troop (-) remain with Bn HQ and assist in defence of the gun area and escort road resupply convoys

(c) Phase 3.

i. One sect in support each A Coy, B Coy, C Coy and D Coy from 071600 H Dec 66.

ii. Troop (-) remain with Bn HQ.

iii. Escort road resupply convoys as required.

(d) Phase 4. Assist as directed to move battalion to harbour area 2674.

j. Arty.

(1) Grouping.

(a) Under command for movement — 103 Fd Bty; One pl A Bty 2/35 US Arty

(b) Remaining in direct support — 103 Fd Bty

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(c) In support and at priority call to 5 RAR — One pl A Bty 2/35 US Arty

(d) Normal attachments to sub units continue

(2) Tasks

(a) Provide gun support during the move

(b) Fire support throughout the operation

k. Engrs.

(1) Grouping

(a) Under command from 040700 H Dec 66 — Four combat engineer teams (each of seven men) plus a command element

(b) One combat engineer team to each A Coy, B Coy, C Coy, and D Coy 5 RAR.

(c) Command element remain with Bn HQ

(2) Tasks.

(a) Two mine detectors to be carried by each combat engineer team During Phase 1 and Phase 2 the mine detectors designed for A Coy and D Coy are to be held by the engineer element at Bn HQ.

(b) Engineer assistance as required.

l. 6 RAR

(1) Grouping. One rifle company under command from 071600 H Dec 66

(2) Tasks. Secure gun area at vic 258682 during Phase 3. Arrangements for moving to the gun area are being made by 1 ATF.

m. Aviation.

(1) Grouping

(a) 161 (Indep) Recce Flt. One H13 in support from 040700 Dec 66

(b) Light Fire Team One light fire team in support from 040700 H Dec 66.

(2) Tasks.

(a) 161 (Indep) Recce Flt.

i. Report to TIGER V at 040630 H Dec 66.

ii. Stay at gun area by day after area secured on D Day.

iii. Recce and liaison as required

(b) Light Fire Team

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i. Support movement to operational area.

ii. Support as required on call.

n. Coordinating Instructions

(1) D Day 4 Dec 66.

(2) Initial Timings

(a) Det 1 Fd Sqn RAE report One combat engineer team to each A Coy, B Coy, C Coy and D Coy. Remainder to Bn HQ 031600 H

(b) Four trucks ¼ ton with trailers ½ ton report to mortar lines for loading 040600 H

(c) APCs and TCVs lined up on CANBERRA AVE facing TL2 040630 H

(d) C Coy group married up by 040650 H and depart by 040700 H

(3) Movement Details. Annex B.

(4) Order of March. C Coy, two sects Mor Pl, Bn HQ, Arty, B Coy, A Coy, D Coy.

(5) Debussing Areas and Coordination

(a) See Annex B for all debussing areas.

(b) Coordination of serials, turnaround of vehicles and movement to be controlled by OC Admin Coy One H13 is available for this task

(6) Routes. A Coy and D Coy operation routes are shown on Annex P.

(7) Safety.

(a) Mines and booby traps are laid around the villages and forts

(b) All culverts, sandbags and bridges are booby trapped Keep away from isolated areas of barbed and ordinary wire or chicken wire as these could contain booby traps.

(c) Red hat bands are to be worn by all ranks.

(d) ARVN/RF/PF forces are permitted to move up to 200 metres from their compounds during the operation.

(8) Rules of Engagement.

(a) Fire will be opened only under the following conditions:

i. When a VIETNAMESE is seen to be carrying a weapon

ii. When fired at.

iii. When a hostile act is about to be committed.

(b) If in doubt don't shoot.

/(9) Rear Area Security.

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(9) Rear Area Security. Each rifle company is to leave 10 men, capable of carrying out an inner TAOR patrol, in addition to normal LOBs. One sergeant, or the company second-in-command, is to be left behind in addition to the CQMS and sgt cook.

(10) Curfew Curfew hours on Route 15 are between 1900 hrs and 0500 hrs each night.

(11) LZs. See Annex P. They are:

	Location	Capacity (UHIBs)
(a)	317691	1
(b)	338675	1
(c)	302648	Unknown
(d)	327622	Unlimited
(e)	324643	1
(f)	326641	1
(g)	331637	Unknown
(h)	334654	1
(i)	347665	1
(j)	346646	3

(12) Duties of Road Block Parties.

(a) When ordered to do so by Bn HQ, stop and search vehicles, their drivers and passengers and pedestrians

(b) Civilians who have no identity card are to be escorted to Bn HQ.

(c) Full details of how the road blocks are to be operated are contained in Annex C.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Echelon Area Remains present location.

b Rations.

(1) Breakfast 4 Dec 66 in base area.

(2) Two days 24 hr pack and one day C ration per man to be carried

(3) Daily resupply thereafter, C rations where possible

c. Water

(1) Each man is to leave the base area with at least three filled water bottles.

(2) Resupply by air daily thereafter as required

(3) Water which may be available adjacent to Route 15 is not to be consumed.

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(4) Unit transport is to carry forward, with B Coy convoy on 4 Dec 66, 10 filled jerrycans of water. These vehicles will return to the base area with the troop of 1 APC Sqn.

d. Ammo. Current scales to be carried.

e. Med.

(1) Normal attachments continue.

(2) Normal medical kits and shell dressings to be carried.

(3) RMO is to travel with Bn HQ

(4) Medevac by DUSTOFF aircraft or APC

f. AQ Cell. 2IC D Coy is to act as OC AQ Cell for the operation.

g. Transport

(1) Allocation of APC/TVCs to companies. Annex B.

(2) Four trucks ¼ ton GS plus trailers ½ ton report to 5 RAR mortar lines 040600 H Dec 66

(3) The battalion 2IC is to be embussing officer.

(4) Three trucks ¼ ton plus trailers to be loaded with 100 filled jerrycans of water by 031800 hrs and held in transport lines. One ¼ tom FWSF provided by 5 RAR transport.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL.

a. Bn HQ.

(1) During Phases 1 and 2, located at vic YS 292623

(2) During Phase 3, located at vic YS 258682

(3) Moves to area 2674 during Phase 4.

b. Radio

(1) Current SOI apply with following amendments:

(a) Bn Comd Net Main to be 44.9 MC/S

(b) C Coy net alternate to be 37.8 MC/S.

(c) Rebroadcast Frequencies:

i. AQ Flick Net Companies to AQ Cell thence VUNG TAU HILL 42.9 MC/S.

ii. VUNG TAU HILL to A Ech 55.8 MC/S.

(2) Rebroadcast Stations. Established by 103 Sig Sqn at VUNG TAU HILL vic YS 2645 for duration of the operation

(3) Additions to Bn Comd Net.

(a) Tp Comd, to 1 APC Sqn.

(b) Coy 6 RAR, callsign to be advised (I)

c. Line. Normal line to be laid.

/d. Points of Origin, Q Hr,

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d. Points of Origin, Q Hrs, Passwords. As currently issued

e. Codes. As currently issued.

f. Nicknames.

Nickname	Meaning	Issued By
FLEET FOOT	Move, moving	All callsigns
POKER FACE	Stand to	All callsigns
HARD HAT	Stand down	All callsigns
GOOD DECK	Clearing patrols out	All callsigns
FULL HOUSE	Clearing patrols in	All callsigns
CLOSE HAND	Harbour	All callsigns
ACE HIGH	Ambush	All callsigns
ROOF COVER	Lift/lifting ambush	All callsigns

Acknowledge

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CO

Annexes: A. Enemy.
B. Road Movement Table
C. Conduct of Road Blocks and Searches.
P. Routes, Locations, LZ and Areas of Operation: Phase 1 and Phase 2.
Q. Areas of Operation Phase 3.
Z. Distribution.

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Annex A (Enemy) to OPORD 24-66 (OP CANARY) OPS 2

1. The area on either side of Route 15 has been used by the VIET CONG for the following purposes:

a. To provide routes between their bases in northern PHUOC TUY Province and in the RUNG SAT.

b. To attack or intimidate the Government forces and loyal villages along Route 15.

c. To harbour reconnaissance and taxation groups operating along Route 15.

2. Since the commencement of Operation CANBERRA, all major VIET CONG activity in the vicinity of Route 15 has ceased. There is still movement in and out of the RUNG SAT and there are still small reconnaissance parties at work, particularly in the area to the SOUTH of the NUI DINH HILLS. However, the area has been very quiet for the past seven weeks.

3. Reduction of VIET CONG activity is partly due to the withdrawal of most VIET CONG units, both Mobile and Main Force, to at least several miles from Route 15. It is not thought that there are any Main Force units WEST of Route 2 as at the end of Nov 66. The local guerilla company (CHAU DUC, C20 or C41) has been seriously weakened by casualties, captures and surrenders, and it is thought to have no more than a reconnaissance capacity. This company is dispersed over a wide area of northern PHUOC TUY Province although two forward groups of squad size have been reported by agents during the past week; one moving eastwards along the main track to the NORTH of NUI THI VAI, the other moving westwards across the lower slopes of the southern extremity of the NUI DINH HILLS.

4. The enemy intention is to concentrate on the area to the EAST of Route 2 and therefore it seems unlikely that any action will be undertaken against Route 15 during Dec 66, save for sniping and booby trapping.

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Annex B (Road Movement Table) to OP ORD 24-66 (OP CANARY)
Maps: ~~VIETNAM~~ 1:50,000, sheets 6442 IV and 6442 III

1. Average speed

a. Open road - 20 mph.

b. Towns - 10 mph.

2. Density. 50 metres between vehicles.

3. Halts. Nil

4. Routes. TL2 then QL15.

5. Recovery. Recovery detachment to move at the rear of the column.

6. Medical. Vehicle ambulance to move with recovery detachment.

7. Critical Points.

a. SPs

(1) 103 Fd Bty and pl A Bty 2/35 US Arty at junc TL2/CANBERRA Ave SOUTH YS 429665.

(2) 1 APC Sqn (-) and 5 RAR at junc TL2/CANBERRA Ave NORTH YS 434682 (Note: D Coy 5 RAR will embus at the junc of ENOGGERA Road and SCHEYVILLE LOOP 438675).

b. Rel Pts

(1) Bn HQ, C Coy, two sects Mor Pl, 103 Fd Bty and pl A Bty 2/35 US Arty at YS 292623.

(2) B Coy at road/creek junc YS 274652.

(3) A Coy at road/creek junc YS 306610.

(4) D Coy at bridge YS 353612.

c. Others.

YS 426653
419636
386616
380607

8. Main Routes to SPs.

a. D Coy. ENOGGERRA Road - CANBERRA Ave - CANBERRA Ave NORTH.

b. 5 RAR (-). CANBERRA Ave NORTH.

c. 103 Fd Bty, Pl A Bty 2/35 US Arty. Unit lines to CANBERRA Ave SOUTH.

d. 1 APC Sqn (-) . CANBERRA Ave NORTH.

9. Provost.

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a. Mobile group with lead serial until YS 365612.

b. TCPs.

YS 419636)
386616) To be in position by 0700 hrs
380607)

TIMINGS – CRITICAL POINTS

Ser	Sub Unit	No of vehs	Type	434682 Due	434682 Clear	429665 Due	429665 Clear	426653 Due	426653 Clear	419636 Due	419636 Clear	386616 Due	386616 Clear	380607 Due	380607 Clear	Debus Pt ... Due	Remarks
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)	(l)	(m)	(n)	(o)	(p)	(q)	(r)
1.	C Coy Two sects Mor Pl Arty Recce Party Bn HQ Recce Party(10)	15	6 APC 3 TCV 4x¼ ton for mor 2x¾ ton	0700	0703			0710	0713	0720	0723	0730	0733	0733	0738	0750	Rel Pt YS 292623 On HQ recce party (10) Arty recce Party (two vehs) to marry up with C Coy group at CANBERRA Ave NORTH by 040650H
2.	Bn HQ Aslt Pnr Pl Recce Pl	9	7 APC 2 TCV	0715	0718			0725	0728	0735	0738	0745	0748	0750	0753	0805	Rel Pt YS 292623
3.	103 Fd Bty Pl A Bty 2/35 US Arty	27	14 TCV 7x¾Ton 2 M109 1 CP track 1 Ammo 1x¾Ton 1x¼Ton			0730	0735	0737	0742	0747	0752	0757	0802	0802	0807	0817	Rel Pt YS 292623 TCV are NOT to attempt to turn around until serial 4 has passed through the area

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)	(l)	(m)	(n)	(o)	(p)	(q)	(r)
4.	B Coy Bn water Res	12	6 APC 3 TCV 3x¼ ton/ tlr	0815	0818			0825	0828	0835	0838	0845	0848	0850	0853	0913	Rel Pt road/creek junc YS 274652. Water vehs (3x¼ ton and tlr) will leave B Coy convoy at gun area vic YS292623.
5	A Coy	8	3 APC 5 TCV	0830	0833			0840	0843	0850	0853	0900	0903	0905	0908	0917	Rel Pt road/creek junc YS 306610.
6.	D Coy	11	6 APC 2 TCV 1 hy rec veh 1 rec veh 1x¼ ton FWSF	0845	0848			0855	0858	0905	0908	0915	0918	0920	0923	0925	Rel Pt bridge YS 353612. 1 x ¼ ton FWSF is 5 RAR veh.

10. Return Movement

a. SP. Bridge YS 353612.

b. Start Time. Not before 0945 hrs (to be advised)

c. Route. QL 15 then TL 2.

d. Comd. Comd 1 APC Sqn (-)

e. Order of March. As ordered by convoy comd.

f. Composition. TCVs/Cargo vehs 29, APCs17, Rec Det 2, ¼ ton FWSF 1, ¼ ton and tlrs 3.

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Annex C (Conduct of Road Blocks and Searches) to OP ORD 24-66 (OP CANARY)

General.

1. The VIET CONG cannot continue to fight without resupply of food, clothing, medicine and money. Although a small proportion of their food requirements are obtained from their own cultivation, the highest percentage of their food and other needs comes from their supporters in towns and villages.

2. One of our tasks is to deny them these supplies. The use of road blocks check points and searching suspected carriers are three ways by which we can accomplish our aim.

Road Blocks.

3. A road block or check point must be:

a. Properly manned and sited. This requires:

(1) Two obstructions across the road at each end of the blocks to compel all vehicles to slow down and stop. These obstructions can be concertina wire, 44 gallon drums, log, etc.

(2) Three men to man the obstruction at each end of the block. One of these men checks the driver and directs him to the search area, the other two men are sentries who cover the vehicles and pedestrians and protect the first man.

(3) An interpreter.

(4) An area for searching pedestrians.

(5) An area for searching cars and trucks.

(6) An area for searching bicycles.

(7) A waiting area.

(8) Communications to Coy HQ.

b. Speedily operated. Every person manning a road block must know his job thoroughly, be methodical and move quickly to prevent delay to traffic using the road. Therefore, depending on the flow of traffic, it may be necessary to man a block with up to a platoon organised into groups of three men.

Vehicles.

4. Each vehicle must be checked separately. Three soldiers are required to complete the check. They are:

a. No 1 approaches the vehicle from the offside, opens the driver's door and requests the driver to leave the vehicle.

b. No 2 approaches the vehicle from the near side and slightly to its rear; he keeps under observation any other occupants.

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c. No 3 is armed with, if possible, an automatic weapon held in the ready position. He stands on the offside of the vehicle always maintaining a clear view of the driver and NOT allowing No 1 or No 2 to cross his line of fire. No 3s part in the operation is purely defensive; he takes no part in the examination of documents or the search.

5. The driver of the vehicle must not be asked to produce documents from his person until he has been searched for weapons by No 1. A person to be searched should be asked to stand facing his vehicle, with his hands resting on the roof or side of the vehicle, and then No 1 quickly but thoroughly searches the person from head to foot.

6. Clothing should be rolled between the fingers and not patted, because a small object such as a knife could be overlooked. Particular attention should be given to under the arms, across the stomach, inside the thighs and the crotch.

7. He will be asked to produce his identity card and, if applicable, his driving licence (or any other official document he might possess). After the search, these documents must be carefully checked against each other.

8. Women will only be searched by other women. Since no policewomen are available women drivers, female occupants of vehicles or female pedestrians are NOT to be subjected to a body search. However, articles which women may be carrying (eg handbags, baskets, etc) should be thoroughly searched.

9. The following points are a guide to the way identity documents should be checked:

a. The physical features of the individual should be compared with those shown on the photograph. Hair styles and hats, etc, should be ignored as these only tend to mislead the searcher. A check on age will also assist in the comparison.

b. Stamp photographs are sometimes unlawfully changed on identity documents. A careful check of the stamp across the photograph should verify this.

c. When questioning a person on the details contained in his/her documents, questions should be framed as follows:

(1) What is your name?

(2) Where do you live?

(3) How old are you?

(4) Leading questions (those which require an answer of yes or no) should be avoided.

d. Fingerprints. A mark indicating a thumbprint must be accepted. Should, however any doubt arise as to the true identity of a suspect, he can be held for further questioning and his print used for identification.

e. Damaged identity cards should be scrutinized very carefully.

10. No 1 checks the identity of any passengers and begins a search of the vehicle assisted by No 2.

Cars.

11. A car should be searched in the following places:

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a. Sun visors (examine behind them and the items they are attached to).

b. Dashboard (wires, etc, leading from instruments. A letter or small weapon can easily be placed between the wires).

c. Dashboard pockets or cubby holes.

d. Under the driver's seat.

e. Between the driver's and passenger's seats.

f. At the back of the driver's seat (ie. between the back of the seat and the bottom of the back seat).

g. Door pockets.

h. Behind front seats, back seats.

i. Any moveable mats in the car should be lifted.

j. Rear window panel shelf.

k. The luggage boot.

l. Under bonnet and spare wheel compartment.

m. All loose luggage contained within the vehicle or boot should be carefully but quickly examined.

n. Particular attention should be paid to umbrellas, newspapers, magazines and any seemingly innocent parcels, etc, all of which may be easily used as simple means of concealment.

12. The checking officer, when satisfied will allow the car to go, and will signal the member in charge of the obstruction at the end of the road block that the car may proceed. Should, however, any doubt arise as to the true identity of any individuals in the car, or any suspicion remain that clandestine material is concealed within the vehicle, the vehicle will be moved to a place in the road block where a thorough and detailed search can be conducted.

Lorries and Goods Vehicles.

13. The method of casual search of lorries and goods vehicles is similar to that for cars. The following additional points must be covered in a thorough search:

a. Wooden Body Construction. With this type of body it is very simple to make effective places for concealment by adding enclosed panels, false bottoms or by boarding up the spaces between the battens supporting the floor. The sides of lorries may be prepared in a similar manner, producing a large volumeof storage space. A close examination of the body from all angles and careful measurement is the best method of search in such cases.

b. Twin Rear Wheels. The chances of the gap between the wheels being used as a place of concealment are small. Still the gap should be examined carefully.

c. Wooden Block. Most heavy vehicles carry one or two wheel chocks either on the rear of the vehicle or, if laden, in the driver's cab. These blocks can be hollowed out and are good places of concealment even though they may appear to be dirty, worn and greasy through regular use.

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d. Gunny Sacks. All sacks should be lifted and searched. A common subterfuge is to conceal articles under a heap of gunny sacks in an appar ntly unladen vehicle.

e. Driver's Cab. Particular attention should be given to the cab and to any passenger.

Motor Cycles

14. Motor cycles are comparatively easy to search, but attention should be given to:

a. Petrol Tank. This may be divided, one division being false.

b. Tool Box/Case. Open, remove all tools and examine.

c. Rubber handle grips.

d. Footrest supporters. Examine footrest and machine support.

e. General. Lamps, mudguards and all hollow tubular constructions should be examined. Also search under the saddle.

Bicycles.

15. Examine the following:

a. Handle bars, rubber grips, bells and the saddle.

b. Lamps, dynamos, etc, including behind reflector glasses.

c. All tubular framework, particularly open ends and joints.

d. Under mudguards.

e. In the case of very old bicycles, some parts may appear to be damaged (frame, pedals, etc) and to have been repaired with wire or string. Remove this reinforcing medium and examine beneath it.

Lambrettas.

16. These should be examined as though they were a combination of both motor cycle and car.

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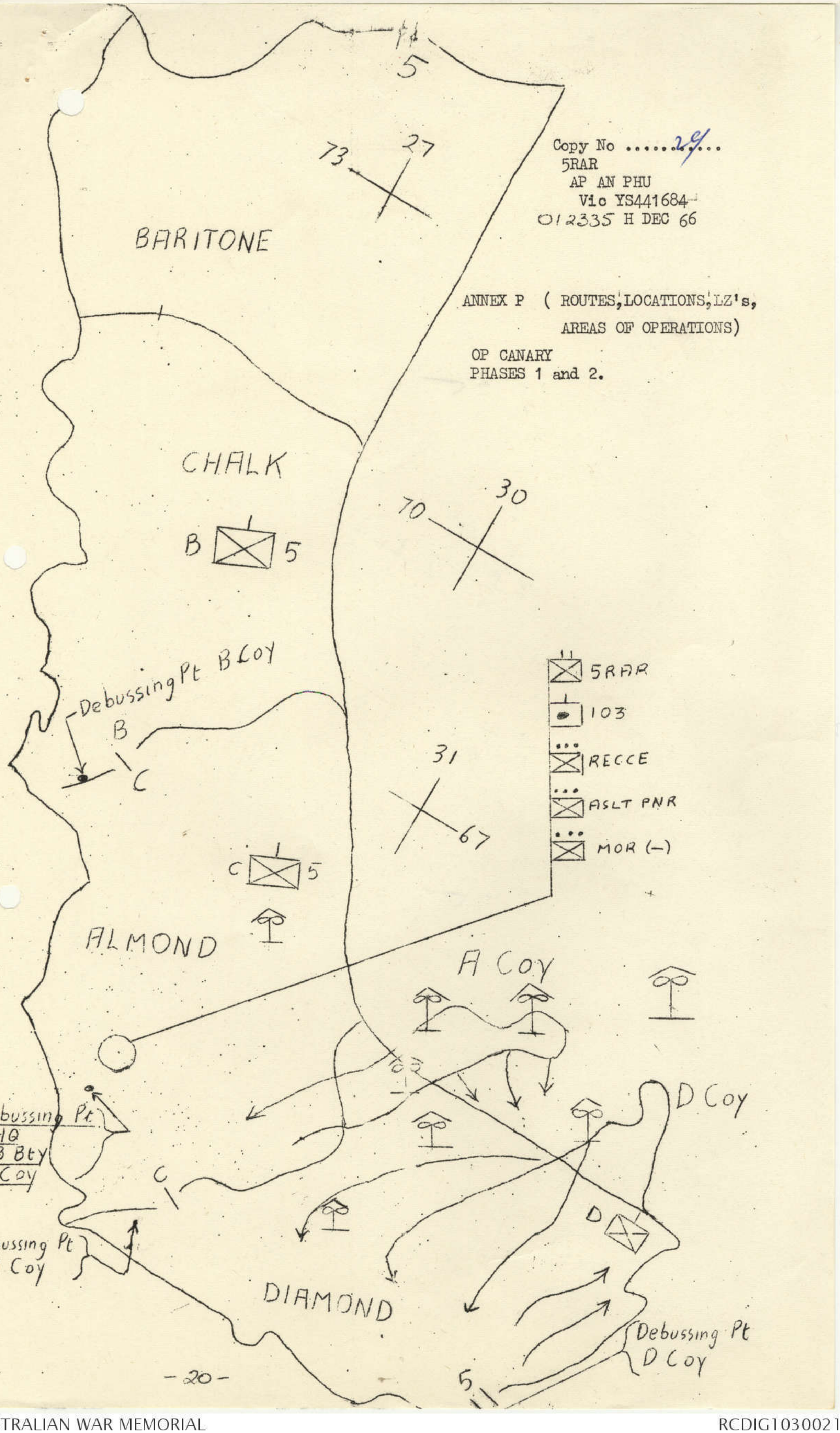

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Reference: Maps Vietnam 1:50,000 Sheets 6442 IV and 6442 III, Series 6701.
1:25,000 Sheet 6430 IIIS, L8020, Picto.
1:3000 Special enlargement, PHU MY.

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Annex A.

b. Friendly Forces.

(1) Vietnamese forces in the area are located at:

(a) PHU MY NORTH, 237772 — 3 Coy/3 Bn/43 Regt
2 Pl/ B Bty/ 101 Arty Regt

(b) PHU MY, 252746 — 701 RF Coy

(2) Elements of 173 AB Bde (Sep) are located in the PHU MY area.

(3) Liaison officers are to be located with 701 RF Coy and the elements of 173 AB Bde (Sep) in PHU MY area.

c. Attachments and Detachments.

(1) Remaining under command.

One tp (+) 1 APC Sqn (12xAPC)
One tp 1 Fd Sqn RAE (31 all ranks)
One coy 6 RAR
12 National Policeman

(2) Under command from 131400H Dec 66.

One Pl 6 RAR

(3) Under command from 14 Dec 66 (time to be advised)

TCVs as required, to move guns
One tp (-) 1 APC Sqn (6x APC)

(4) Remaining in direct support and under command for movement.

103 Fd Bty

(5) Remaining in support, at priority call and under command for movement.

One pl A Bty 2/35 US Arty

(6) Remaining in support

One light fire team
One H13 of 161 Recce Flt

(7) In support from 141400H Dec 66

Five RAAF UH1B ac

2. MISSION. 5 RAR is to cordon and search the villages of PHU MY vic 253747 and XOM MY XUAN vic 255739 on Wed 14 Dec 66.

3. EXECUTION.

a. The operation will be conducted in four phases as follows:

(1) Phase 1. Move by APCs from present areas on Route 15 to harbour areas adjacent to the villages during the afternoon of 13 Dec 66.

(2) Phase 2. Established cordons as follows prior to 140430H Dec 66.

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(a) A Coy EAST side of XOM MY XUAN.

(b) B Coy SOUTH and WEST sides of XOM MY XUAN.

(c) C Coy PHU MY until relieved by tp (-) 1 APC Sqn.

(d) D Coy NW side of XOM MY XUAN.

(3) Phase 3. Search both villages with C Coy in PHU MY and Recce Pl in XOM MY XUAN.

(4) Phase 4. Move by helicopter and APCs to base area less B Coy 5 RAR and two companies 6 RAR.

b. A Coy.

(1) Grouping.

(a) Normal attachments.

(b) In support until end of Phase 1. One Sect 1 APC Sqn

(2) Tasks.

(a) Phase 1.

i. On orders from Bn HQ move from present location in APCs to B Coy area vic 256735 and debuss.

ii. Leave one sect Mor Pl, the National Policemen and one combat engineer team in B Coy area.

iii. Move on foot to harbour area vic 263739.

iv. Move company stores to area of coy 6 RAR and leave at least one man with these stores. Company vehicles returns to area escorted by APCs returning to C Coy.

(b) Phase 2.

i. On orders from Bn HQ move to cordon the EAST side of XOM MY XUAN. Routes Annex P.

ii. Move after Bn Tac HQ has departed track junction 260741.

iii. Cordon in position by 140430H.

(c) Phase 3. Remain in cordon until released by Bn HQ.

(d) Phase 4. On orders from Bn HQ move direct to battalion harbour area vic 256735 in preparation for return to base. Movement details at Annex B (issued separately).

c. B Coy.

8 (1) Grouping. Normal attachments.

(2) Tasks.

(a) Phase 1.

i. Remain present position. Move company stores into area occupied by coy 6 RAR.

ii. Adjacent to your present area select a base plate position for two sects Mor Pl within an area suitable for one coy 6 RAR and provide guides for both groups.

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iii. On their arrival in your area guide the mortar sections, at present with A Coy and D Coy to the base plate position.

iv. Adjacent to your location select a position for Recce Pl plus two combat engineer teams. When they arrive in your location guide the Recce Pl, National Policemen, combat engineer team at present with A Coy and your own combat engineer team and National Policemen to this selected position.

v. Move company stores into area and leave at least one man with these stores. Company vehicle returns to area Bn HQ escorted by APC returning to C Coy.

(b) Phase 2.

i. On orders from Bn HQ move to cordon the SOUTH and WEST sides of XOM MY XUAN. Routes Annex P.

ii. Cordon in position by 140430H.

(c) Phase 3. Remain in cordon until released by Bn HQ.

(d) Phase 4. On orders from Bn HQ move direct to battalion harbour area vic 256735 in preparation for return to base. Movement details at Annex B (issued separately).

d. C Coy

(1) Grouping.

(a) Normal attachments.

(b) Under command from time allocated by Bn HQ until end of Phase 3. Tp (-) 1 APC Sqn (9xAPC)

(c) Remaining under command — One combat engineer team of seven men.

(d) Under command from time of receipt from D Coy on 13 Dec 66. — One combat engineer team of seven men. Two groups of National Policemen. (6)

(2) Tasks.

(a) Phase 1.

i. As D Coy passes through your area take under command the combat engineer team and National Policemen at present allotted to that company.

ii. On orders from Bn HQ move as one group along Route 15 to a harbour area at vic 249754.

iii. Leave company stores with coy 6 RAR and leave at least one man with these stores. Company vehicle returns to area of Bn HQ escorded by main company convoy.

(b) Phase 2.

i. Remain in harbour area vic 249754.

ii. At 140430H establish a road block at 258753 with one section of infantry and have your company mounted in APCs ready to move. APC engines are not to be started.

iii. On orders from Bn HQ move your company in APCs to Route 15/track junction 248753 and then at best possible speed along Route 15 to the centre of village PHU MY.

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iv. At the centre of the village your troops [illegible] to dismount and move EAST and WEST into cordon positions.

v. When released from their troop carrying role, the APCs are to move to blocking positions at the NORTH and SOUTH entrances to the village. From these positions the APCs are then to move out and cordon the village and block Route 15 at the NORTH end of the village. The section on the road block at 258753 is then to rejoin the company

vi. When the APC cordon is in position withdraw your company to the NORTH entrance to the village.

(c) Phase 3.

i. On orders of Bn HQ commence searching the village from the NW to SE for weapons, ammunition, surplus rice.

ii. Collect all males between the ages of 12 and 45 years of age and females between 17 and 35 years of age and move them to a compound prepared at vic 254743.

(d) Phase 4. On orders from Bn HQ move direct SOUTH along Route 15 to battalion harbour area vic 256735 in preparation for return to base. Movement details at Annex B (issued separately).

e. D Coy.

(1) Grouping.

(a) Normal attachments.

(b) In support until end of Phase 1. One sect 1 APC Sqn.

(2) Tasks.

(a) Phase 1.

i. Onorders from Bn HQ move from present location in APCs to B Coy area vic 256735 and debuss.

ii. When you pass through C Coy area, pass to under command C Coy your combat engineer team of seven men and National Policemen.

iii. Leave in B Coy area one sect Mor Pl.

iv. Move on foot to harbour area vic 263742.

v. Move company stores to area of coy 6 RAR and leave at least one man with these stores. Company vehicle returns to area Bn HQ escorted by APCs returning to C Coy.

(b) Phase 2.

i. At approximately 140230H, but on orders from Bn HQ move from harbour area to track junction 260741 and then to cordon position along NW side of XOM MY XUAN. Routes Annex P.

ii. Move in front of Bn HQ.

iii. Cordon in position by 140430H.

(c) Phase 3. Remain in cordon until released by Bn HQ.

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(d) Phase 4. On orders from Bn HQ move SOUTH along Route 15 to battalion harbour area vic 256735 in preparation for future operations with 6 RAR. Movemnt details at Annex B (issued separately)

f. Mor Pl

(1) Grouping. One section continues to remain in base area.

(2) Tasks.

(a) One sect base area defence.

(b) Concentrate platoon (-) ~~/~~ adjacent to B Coy present location, vic 256735, after they have been escorted to this location by A C oy and D Coy.

(c) Be prepared to support the operation from adjacent to B Coy present location in area secured by coy (-) 6 RAR.

(d) On completion Phase 3, and on orders from Bn HQ, the mortars are to prepare to return to the base area in vehicles. Movement details at Annex B (issued separately).

g. Recce Pl.

(1) Grouping.

(a) Normal attachments.

(b) Under command from time of release by A Coy and B Coy on 13 Dec 66.

Two combat engineer teams each of seven men. Two groups of National Police-men. (6)

(2) Tasks.

(a) Phase 1.

i. On orders from Bn HQ move from present location in APCs to B Coy area vic 256735 and debus.

ii. Move into position selected by B Coy and harbour.

(b) Phase 2.

i. On orders from Bn HQ move behind B Coy towards village XOM MY XUAN.

ii. Concentrate behind B Coy opposite the SOUTH entrance to the village.

iii. Be in position by 140430H.

(c) Phase 3.

i. On orders of Bn HQ commence searching the village from WEST to EAST for weapons, ammunition and surplus rice.

ii. Collect all males between the ages of 12 and 45 years of age and females between 17 and 35 years of age and move them to a compound prepared at vic 254743.

(d) Phase 4. On orders from Bn HQ move direct SOUTH along Route 15 to battalion harbour area vic 256735 in preparation for return to base. Movement details at Annex B (issued separately).

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H. Aslt Pnr Pl.

(1) Grouping.

(a) Normal attachments.

(b) Remain under command Bn HQ.

(2) Tasks.

(a) Assist in defence of Bn HQ.

(b) On orders of Bn HQ erect and guard a PW cage in vic 254743.

(c) Be prepared to enlarge the present B Coy LZ at vic 256735 to take six UH1Bs.

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i. 1 APC Sqn

(1) Grouping

(a) Remaining under command 5 RAR — One tp (+) 1 APC Sqn (12 x APC)

(b) Allotted to under command C Coy, when ordered by Bn HQ, until end of Phase 3: — One tp (-) 1 APC Sqn (9 x APC)

(c) Under command from 141400 H Dec 66 until released by 5 RAR on 14 Dec 66 — One tp (-) 1 APC Sqn (6 x APC)

(d) In support one coy 6 RAR, when ordered by Bn HQ, until end of Phase 3: — One sect 1 APC Sqn (3 x APC)

(2) Tasks.

(a) Phase 1.

i. Move coy 6 RAR, A Coy, D Coy, Bn Tac group and Recce Pl from present locations to B Coy area vic 256735 on orders from Bn HQ.

ii. When ordered by Bn HQ place three sections (9 x APC) under command C Coy. Remaining section (3 x APC) assists in defence of gun area night 13/14 Dec 66

iii. Escort company vehicles to Bn HQ when returning to pick up C Coy

(b) Phase 2. One section remains to as ist with defence of gun area.

(c) Phase 3.

i. Section APCs with guns escort forward Bn HQ (-), four ¼ ton vehicles and trailers and two ¼ ton gun "ships" to vic 254743 from gun area

ii. This section APCs then returns to coy 6 RAR, vic 256735, and takes under command one pl 6 RAR. This group then moves to vic 255737 as battalion mobile reserve.

(d) Phase 4. On orders from Bn HQ concentrate at battalion harbour area vic 256735 and be prepared to assist moving 5 RAR (-) to its base area. Movement details at Annex B (Issued separately).

j. Arty.

(1) Grouping.

(a) Remaining in direct support and under command for movement — 103 Fd Bty

(b) Remaining in support, at priority call and under command for movement — One pl A Bty 2/35 US Arty

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(c) Normal attachments to sub units continue.

(2) Tasks.

(a) Remain in present gun area.

(b) Provide fire support throughout the operation

(c) Assume responsibility for defence of the gun area from time of move of Bn HQ (-) from the gun area on 14 Dec 66. One pl 6 RAR is allotted for this task.

k. Engrs

(1) Grouping.

(a) Remaining under command	One tp 1 Fd Sqn RAE (31 all ranks)
(b) Allotted to under command C Coy, when ordered by Bn HQ, until end of Phase 3	Two combat engineer teams each of seven men
(c) Allotted to under command Recce Pl from time of release by A Coy and B Coy on 13 Dec 66	Two combat engineer teams each of seven men.

(2) Tasks. Engineer assistance as required during the operation.

l. One Coy 6 RAR.

(1) Grouping. Remaining under command 5 RAR

(2) Tasks.

(a) Phase 1.

i. At approximately 131400 H pass responsibility for defence of gun area to Bn HQ.

ii. Move to harbour area vic 256735. Guides will be provided by B Coy 5 RAR.

iii. Provide protection for Mor Pl (-) and 5 RAR company stores

(b) Phase 2. Remain in vic 256735 as battalion reserve.

(c) Phase 3

i. At approximately 140630 H receive in support one sect 1 APC Sqn and move this section with under command one platoon, to vic 255737 as battalion mobile reserve.

ii. Battalion reserve and continue to provide protection for Mor Pl (-).

(d) Phase 4. Concentrate at vic 256735 and on orders from Bn HQ revert to under command 6 RAR.

m. One Pl 6 RAR.

(1) Grouping. Under command 5 RAR from 131400 H Dec 6[illegible].

(2) Tasks.

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(a) Take over defence of gun area, vic 254686, from company 6 RAR at approximately 131400 H Dec 66

(b) Establish a road block on Route 15 near the gun area at 140430 H and prevent any movement NORTH, until ordered to lift it by Bn HQ.

(c) On completion Phase 4 remain at the gun area and on orders from Bn HQ revert to under command 6 RAR.

n. Aviation.

(1) Grouping.

(a) 161 (Indep) Recce Flt. One H13 remains in support.

(b) Light Fire Team. Remains ir support

(c) RAAF. Five UHIBs in support from 141400 H Dec 66.

(2) Tasks.

(a) 161 (Indep) Recce Flt

i. Report to gun area vic 254686 at 140630 H.

ii. Recce and liaison as required.

(b) Light Fire Team

i. Support as required on call.

ii. After completion Phase 4 support road movement back to base area.

(c) RAAF. After completion Phase 4 be prepared to assist movement back to base area.

o. Co-ordinating Instructions

(1) D Day. 14 Dec 66.

(2) Initial Timings.

(a) D-2 Company recce parties move to B Coy location by APCs by 0900 hrs and, with a B Coy patrol, recce company harbour areas.

(b) 131400 H

i. Four company trucks ¼ ton and trailers arrive Bn area escorted by two trucks ¼ ton "gunship" Company vehicles go to parent company, "gunships to Bn HQ.

ii. One platoon 6 RAR arrives and takes over defence on gun area.

iii. Coy 6 RAR leaves gun area and moves to vic 256735 and is guided into its area by members B Coy 5 RAR.

(c) 140230 H. On orders from Bn HQ, D Coy commences to move into cordon position.

(d) 140430 H.

i. Cordon in position A Coy, B Coy, D Coy only. C Coy mounted on APCs ready to move.

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ii. Road blocks in position NORTH of PHU M[illegible] and SOUTH of XOM MY XUAN.

(e) 146 30 H.

i. Search of villages commences.

ii. Bn HQ (-), one sect APCs and six trucks ¼ ton plus truck ¼ ton (H1) loaded with pioneer stores move from gun area to vic 255737. Sect APCs then returns to in sup ort coy 6 RAR.

(3) Order of Movement From Present Locations For Phase 1. Coy 6 RAR; A Coy; D Coy. Bn Tac HQ, Aslt Pnr Pl and Recce Pl. C Coy.

(4) Movement Details Annex B. (issued separately).

(5) Routes to Cordon Area. Annex P.

(6) Cordon positions. Annex P.

(7) Order of March Bn (-) For Phase 2. D Coy Bn Tac HQ, Aslt Pnr Pl, A Coy.

(8) Safety.

(a) Mines and booby traps are laid around the villages..

(b) Keep away from culverts, sandbags, barbed and ordinary wire when moving into the cordon positions.

(c) Cordon will not fire into the villages. They may fire at VC outside the village provided they are aimed shots.

(d) Red hat bands are to be worn by all ranks.

(9) Rules of Engagement.

(a) Fire will only be opened under the following conditions:

i. When a Vietnamese other than a Government soldier is seen to be carrying a weapon

ii When fired at.

iii. When a hostile act is about to be committed.

(b) If in doubt don't shoot.

(c) If a Vietnamese refuses to come out of a hut:

i. Have a National Policeman call upon the man to come out of the hut.

ii. Have the village headman or the members family request him to come out of the hut.

iii. Have a National Policemen burn the hut.

(d) The light fire team may only engage indicated targets.

(10) Rear Area Security. No change.

(11) Curfew. Curfew hours on Route 15 are between 1900 hrs and 0500 hrs each night.

(12) Duties of Road Block Parties. Stop all traffic along Route 15.

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(13) Duration of Cordon. Estimated to be completed by 141400 H.

(14) Bn Harbour Area The harbour area for use during Phase 4 will be laid out by the Adjt.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Echelon Area. Remains present location.

b. Rations.

(1) One 24 hour ration pack and one C ration meal per man will be issued prior to lunch 13 Dec 66.

(2) Evening meal 14 Dec 66 in base.

(3) AQ cell to hold three additional days rations for D Coy.

c. Water. All water bottles to be filled before departing present areas 50 filled jerry cans to be located in coy 6 RAR harbour area by 131600 H and be lifted forward by APC to cordon positions if requested on 14 Dec 66.

d. Ammo. Current scales to be carried.

e. Medical.

(1) Normal attachments continue.

(2) Normal medical kits and shell dressings to be carried.

(3) RMO is to travel with Bn HQ.

(4) Medevac by DUSTOFF aircraft or APC.

f. AQ Cell. No change AQ representative to be located and move with Bn HQ (-) at 140630 H.

g. Transport.

(1) Four company trucks ¼ ton and ½ ton trailers plus two trucks ¼ ton "gunships" depart base to arrive battalion area by 131400 H.

(2) Company vehicles escorted to parent companies "Gunships" report to Bn HQ.

(3) For return to base area embussing officer is to be 2IC D Coy.

h. Compound Stores. These will be carried forward on truck ¼ ton (H1) with Bn HQ (-) at 140630 H and move direct to 255737. Move will not occur until ordered to do so by Bn HQ

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL.

a. Bn HQ.

(1) Bn Tac HQ Gp.

(a) During Phase 1 moves to vic 263740.

(b) During Phase 2 moves to behind D Coy to vic 254743 and remains in this location until it moves to battalion harbour area vic 256735 during Phase 4.

(2) Bn HQ (-).

(a) Remains present position until end of Phase 2.

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(b) At 140630 H moves forward, escorted by one se[illegible] 1 APC Sqn, together with seven trucks ¼ ton and move[illegible] direct to 254743 where it joins the Bn Tac HQ group.

b. Liaison Officer.

(1) 2IC D Coy is to establish himself ~~in~~ 701 RF Coy (PHU MY) by 131600 H.

(2) He is to join the Bn Comd Net using C/S 99.

c. Radio. AQ flick net remains on 44.9 MC/S

d Points of Origin, Q Hr, Passwords
e Codes.
f Nicknames.
} No change from OP ORD 24-66 OP CANARY

g. Additional Point of Origin. From 131800 to 141800 H DOG-2574.

h. Line. No line is to be laid.

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Annexes: A. Enemy.
B. Movement Table (issued separately).
C. Routes, Harbour Areas, Cordon Positions.
Z. Distribution.

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Annex A (Enemy Situation) to OPORD 25 - 66 (OP

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1. PHU MY has been a harbour for guerillas for some years. One platoon of approximately 24 men lived in the village, working by day as wood cutters, charcoal burners, sawyers, etc., and by night as VC. VC guerilla operations in the PHU MY are have consisted of road blocks taxation collection, harassment of Government troops and provision of intelligence for main force attacks. During the past two months, VC activity along Route 15 has decreased sharply and twelve members of the PHU MY Guerilla Platoon have either surrendered or been captured. The others moved out of the village during this period to hide in the jungle to the EAST of Route 15. However, it is possible that some or all of these guerillas return to PHU MY frequently for their families live in the village.

ENEMY FORCES NEAR PHU MY.

2. a. Main Force. 265 Bn of 274 Regt have a rendezvous point at YS 287762. This battalion is not in the area now, but there may be sometrail watchers nearby.

b. Guerillas.

(1) PHU MY guerillas have rendezvous points at YS 260750 and YS 255742. The platoon has a hiding point at YS 230740.

(2) The following are definitely known to be VC guerillas:

NGUYEN VAN THAM		Leader
CHAU VAN HUYNH	b. 1941	
NGUYEN VAN XINH		Cadre 1954-66
NGUYEN VAN DANH	b. 1948	
DANG VAN LOI (A) (NGUYEN)	b. 1947	
DANG VAN LOI (B) (NGUYEN)	b. 1949	
HUA VAN CHON	b. 1936	
PHAN VAN NHOI	b. 1943	not seen for 1 year
PHAN VAN CAM	b. 1947	
HUYNH VAN DIEP	b. 1950	
HUYNH VAN SEN		
TRAN VAN DU		

(3) The following are suspected of being VC:

TRAN VAN LUN
NGUYEN THI MAI (female)
BUI VAN OI (crippled left leg)

(4) The following are suspected of being VC but they may already have been apprehended:

LE VAN TAI	b. 1948
TRAN VAN TAI	b. 1947
TRINH VAN HIEN	b. 1951
TRAN VAN NHO	b. 1944
NGUYEN VAN GIANG	b. 1944
PHAN VAN CHIEN	b. 1947
NGUYEN VAN CHIEN	b. 1947
CHAU THI HAI	b. 1950
NGUYEN THI HIEN	b. 1953

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LE VAN HONG
TRAN VAN AN

(5) The following abbreviated names have been supplied by another source. These names are the remainder from a long list which cannot be identified with the full names already given. It is quite possible however that these people have already been named above. They are:-

TRUNG
KIEN
THUOC
LIEM
RO
DUNG
TAI
TAM VANG

VILLAGE POPULATION AND ADMINISTRATION.

3. (a) PHU MY. Population 684.
Assistant Village Chief FNU CUA
Village Police Chief NGUYEN VAN DO

(b) MY XUAN. Population 421.

ENEMY CAPABILITIES AND PROBABLE REACTIONS.

4. These few guerillas have no special capabilities but they have an abundant supply of ammunition and mines pilfered from local friendly troops. They have used claymores against small friendly groups quite close to the village.

If any VC are caught within the cordon, they will attempt to flee through any of the three rendezous points. There are no main force elements thought to be within range for rendering the guerillas assistance.

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67 GL SEC

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1:25,000 Sheet 6430 III SE Series L8015
1:25,000 Sheet 6430 III S Series L8020 Picto
1:25,000 Enlargement NUI DINH Hills

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces:

(1) No change from Op CANARY except:

(a) Contact could be expected in NUI THI VAI Hills area where it was thought CS crystals would have denied area to VC.

(b) Friendly operations to NORTH could force 274 Regt to move from HAT DICH area. Any move would probably be away from Highway 15 to area EAST of Inter Provincial Route 2.

(2) See current intsums regarding installations discovered by 5 RAR during Op CANARY.

b. Friendly Forces:

(1) 9th Inf Div and associated units will arrive RVN during the period 16 Dec 66 - 1 Feb 67 in five increments in accordance with the following schedule:

(a) 1st Increment - 15th Engr Bn (-) with 910 personnel arrived VUNG TAU on 19 Oct 66 and moved to BEAR CAT.

(b) 2nd Increment - 9th Inf Div HHC (-), support elements, and 3d Bde arrive VUNG TAU approximately 16 Dec 66 and move to BEAR CAT.

(c) 3rd Increment - 1st Bde and support elements arrive VUNG TAU approximately 30 Dec 66 and move to BEAR CAT.

(d) 4th Increment - 2d Bde and support elements arrive VUNG TAU approximately 25 Jan 67 and move to PHU MY YS 2574.

(e) 5th Increment - Division (-) increment arrives VUNG TAU approximately 1 Feb 67 and moves to BEAR CAT.

(2) Transportation support will be provided by 1st Log Comd.

(3) Traffic control will be provided by 18th MP Bde.

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(4). Route security of Highway 15 will be provided by 1st ATF from BARIA YS 375610 to PHU MY YS 253744, and by 173d Abn Bde (Sep) from PHU MY YS 254744 to base camp BEAR CAT YS 145984.

(5) ARVN/RF/PF locations. Annex A.

c. Attachments and Detachments: No change.

2. MISSION: 1st ATF will secure Highway 15 from BARIA YS 375610 to PHU MY YS 253744 for vehicle convoys from 0900 hours to approximately 1600 hours daily during the periods 15 - 20 Dec 66 and 29 Dec 66 - 4 Jan 67.

3. EXECUTION:

a. Concept of Operation:

(1) Operation will be conducted in two phases:

(a) Phase 1. 15 to 20 Dec 66.

(b) Phase 2. 29 Dec 66 - 4 Jan67. Separate orders.

(2) 3 SAS Sqn conduct surveillance patrols in vicinity of NUI DINH Hills YS 3365 and vicinity of NUI THI VAI Hills YS 2971 from D minus 1 to D Plus 6.

(3) Route will be secured by 6 RAR with elements of 1 APC Sqn and one company 5 RAR under command. Direct support artillery will be located to cover Highway 15 from BARIA PHU MY. Transport which conveys 6 RAR to Route 15 will convey 5 RAR back to base camp.

(4) Route security will be achieved by maintaining company bases and conducting infantry and APC patrols of the road, and flanking areas. Emphasis will be on likely ambush places and approaches to them.

b. 5 RAR:

(1) Secure fire support base at YS 276654 with one company by H plus 2 hours on D minus 1, and place company under command 6 RAR from this time for protection of fire support base.

(2) Release company of 6 RAR from under command at H plus 2 hours on D minus 1.

(3) Redeploy battalion less one company from AO to 1st ATF base camp by H plus 4 hours D minus 1.

(4) Assume responsibility for patrolling of 1st ATF TAOR from H plus 4 hours D minus 1.

(5) Assume responsibility for daylight securing of Inter Provincial Route 2 between YS 427657 and YS 467757 from 6 RAR from 0800 hours D Day.

(6) Provide one company ready reaction force located in 1st ATF base camp on thirty minutes standby from 0800 hours D Day.

c. 6 RAR:

(1) Deploy battalion by H plus 2 hours on D minus 1 to company bases on Highway 15 between PHU MY YS 253744 and BARIA YS 375610 to provide security for convoy movement along Highway 15.

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(2) Take under command one company 5 RAR at H plus 2 hours D minus 1 for protection of artillery fire support base at YS 276654.

(3) Conduct clearance of Highway 15 by 0900 hours daily with under command one tp plus one section 1 APC Sqn.

(4) Cease to be responsible for patrolling 1st ATF TAOR from H Hour D minus 1.

(5) Relinquish responsibility for daylight security of Inter Provincial Route 2 between YS 427651 and YS 467757 to 5 RAR at 1700 hours D minus 1.

(6) Cease to provide one company ready reaction force located in 1st ATF base camp from H Hour D minus 1.

(7) Be responsible for route security of Highway 15 between PHU MY YS 254744 and BARIA YS 375610 between 0900 hours and approximately 1600 hours daily.

d. Artillery:

(1) Continue to provide 103 Fd Bty RAA in direct support of 5 RAR.

(2) Continue to provide 101 Fd Bty RAA in direct support of 6 RAR.

(3) Continue to provide 161 Fd Bty RNZA in general support of 1st ATF.

(4) Continue to provide 1st Bn, 83d Artillery in general support of 1st ATF.

(5) Attach Bty A (155mm sp minus two howitzers) 2/35th Arty to 173d Abn Bde (Sep) effective 180600H Dec 66.

(6) Place 101 Fd Bty RAA under command 6 RAR for movement to fire support base at YS 276654 along Highway 15 from H Hour D minus 1, and for movement from fire support base to 1st ATF base camp on D plus 6.

(7) Place 103 Fd Bty RAA and Bty A, 2/35th Arty (minus) under command 5 RAR for movement from fire support base to 1st ATF base camp on D minus 1.

e. 1 APC Sqn:

(1) Provide maximum effort for escort and deployment of 6 RAR (minus) to AO and for backloading of 5 RAR (minus) from AO to 1st ATF base camp, commencing H Hour D minus 1.

(2) Place one troops plus one section under command 6 RAR from H Hour D minus 1 to assist in patrol operations and daily clearance of Highway 15.

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f. 1 Fd Sqn RAE:

(1) Cease to provide four combat engineer teams and one tp HQ under command 5 RAR on return to 1st ATF base camp on D minus 1.

(2) Be prepared to provide up to four combat engineer teams to 6 RAR as required.

(3) Continue works programme in 1 ATF base area.

g. 3 SAS Sqn: Deplly surveillance patrols in vicinity of NUI DINH Hills YS 3363 and vicinity of NUI THI VAI Hills YS 2971 from D minus 1 to D plus 6. Separate orders.

h. Aviation (161 (Indep) Recce Flt):

(1) Provide one H13 in direct support of 6 RAR from H Hour D minus 1 until completion of operation.

(2) Cease to provide one H13 in direct support of 5 RAR on battalion's return to 1st ATF base camp.

(3) Provide surveillance of TAOR as ordered.

i. Aviation (US Army): Light fire team continues to be located at LZ KANGAROO YS 432667 ~~on 1st ATF base ea, ½ diromg dau;ogjt hours.~~ in 1st ATF base camp during daylight hours.

j. Coordinating Instructions:

(1) Operation Overlay: Annex P.

(2) Boundaries: Annex P.

(3) ARVN/RF/PF Outposts: Phuoc Tuy Sector HQ has been requested to limit ARVN/RF/PF movement to within 200 metres of outposts for duration of operation.

(4) D Day: 15 Dec 66.

(5) H Hour: 1200 hours D minus 1.

(6) Air (USAF): FAC aircraft is to cover 1st ATF AO between 0800 hours and 1730 hours daily from D minus 1.

(7) Air (RAAF): Provide two UHIBs on standby daily at LZ KANGAROO from 0800 hours to 1700 hours commencing H Hour D minus 1.

(8) Liaison:

(a) Sector HQ has been requested to provide one liaison officer with HQ 6 RAR from H plus 2 hours D minus 1.

(b) 1st Inf Div and 173d Abn Bde (Sep) will retain liaison officers with 1st ATD during the operation.

(9) Convoy Movement:

(a) Convoys transporting personnel from VUNG TAU will operate daily from 0900 hours to approximately 1600 hours daily.

(b) 1st Inf Div informs 1st ATF and 173d Abn Bde (Sep) when convoy movement is complete for each day.

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(c) HQ 1st ATF will advise 6 RAR the following information:

i. Number of vehicles in convoys.

ii. Estimated times of convoys passing through BARIA and PHU MY.

iii. When convoy movement is complete for each day.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS: Annex B.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL:

a. Signal:

(1) 1st ATF SOI.

(2) Convoy control frequency 35.0. Control: 1st Inf Div.

(3) Be prepared to deploy a rebroadcast station by 103 Sig Sqn on VC Hill YS 2645 from D minus 1 to D plus 6.

(4) Light aircraft is available for aerial rebroadcast as required.

b. Command. HQ 1st ATF remains present location.

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A. ARVN/RF/PF Locations.
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Annex A (ARVN/RF/PF Locations) to Opord 1-17-66 (Op DUCK)

1. ARVN: NIL

2. RF:

578 RF Coy	YS 282642
609 RF Coy	YS 260679
701 RF Coy	YS 254745
787 RF Coy	YS 254714

3. PF:

3 PF P1	YS 364610
4 PF P1	YS 356614
5 PF P1	YS 320613
6 PF P1	YS 326610
7 PF P1	YS 381616
8 PF P1	YS 325610
9 PF P1	YS 325610
10 PF P1	YS 325610
11 PF P1	YS 300614
12 PF P1	YS 300614
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Annex B (Administration and Logistics) to Opord 1-17-66 (Op DUCK)

1. General:

a. Task Force Maintenance Area (TFMA) remains present location.

b. Logistic support through unit echelons remaining in 1st ATF base area.

c. Forecast of unit logistic requirements particularly transport required at HQ 1st ATF by 1600 hours 13 Dec 66.

d. All unit 2½ ton trucks including dump trucks are to be brigaded.

e. All 1 ALSG resupply vehicles will be required for troop movement.

2. Ammunition:

a. Current ASRs remain in force.

b. Ammunitions of US origin are not held by 1 ALSG. Demands are required 48 hours before delivery into PHUOC TUY area.

c. Artillery (105mm): Ammunition with guns.

d. Mortar (81mm):

(1) ASR applies.

(2) NIL stocks held TFMA.

e. Small arms: Stocks held in TFMA.

f. High explosives and Pyrotechnics:

(1) Limited range smoke grenades held in TFMA.

(2) Other items not held in TFMA.

3. POL:

a. AVGAS 115/145: 161 Recce Flt responsible for coordination with FAC, for location of 500 gal bladder and forecasting requirements.

b. JP-4. Nil available 1 ATF Base or with 1 ATF Units.

c. MOGAS and DIESO: In response to MAINTDEMS.

4. Rations:

a. Variations to US 'A' ration feeding pattern to be advised ST HQ 1st ATF ASP and NLT 1600 hours 13 Dec 66.

b. Combat Rations: Available in TFMA.

5. Water: Unit arrangements.

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6. Transport (Road):

a. All trucks less water trucks brigaded (including those of units not deploying.

b. Units may be required to make maximum use of ¼/¾ ton trucks.

c. Units requiring transport support are to advise reporting, release times and locations when forecasting requirements.

d. Supported units are responsible for protective arrangements for supporting vehicles.

7. Ordnance: 1 OFP remains open present location and prepared to meet OPDEM/MAINTDEM demands.

8. Repair and Recovery: Units to advise requirements beyond own resources.

9. Engineers: 1 Fd Sqn RAE continues work in 1 ATF Base Area.

10. Medical/evacuation and hospitalization:

a. Det 2 Fd Amb remains open in present location.

b. Requests for DUSTOFF and aerial and Medevac through HQ 1st ATF.

c. Returning vehicles and organic ambulances are to be used for not urgent cases.

11. Personnel:

a. Provost: Requests for assistance in TC through HQ 1st ATF.

b. PW and detainees:

(1) Units responsible for evacuation to Processing Centre at HQ 1st ATF.

(2) Requests for assistance unit resources through HQ 1st ATF.

12. Requests for logistic support beyond unit capacities required at HQ 1st ATF by 1600 hours 13 Dec 66.

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Reference: Maps: VIETNAM 1:50,000 Sheets 6430 III and II Series L7014

1. SITUATION:

a. Enemy forces: Current Intsum.

b. Friendly Forces: Current locstats.

c. Attachments and detachments: No change.

2. MISSION: 1st ATF will conduct search and destroy operations in AO BLUE.

3. EXECUTION:

a. Concept of Operation:

(1) Operation will be conducted in three phases:

(a) Phase 1. (D minus 2 to D minus 1). Reconnaissance and preliminary deployment to AO BLUE.

(b) Phase 2. (D Day to D plus 2). Search and destroy operations in AO BLUE.

(c) Phase 3 (D plus 2). Return to 1st ATF base camp.

(2) Movement to the AO will be on foot.

(3) Apporach to the suspected VC base areas will be from SW to NE, across a broad front, moving on foot and carrying four days rations.

(4) All helicopter movement will be kept to a minimum until major contact with the enemy.

b. 5 RAR:

(1) Phase 1. Deploy to RVs vicinity of YS 4872 and YS 4774 by night D minus 1/D Day.

(2) Phase 2. Conduct search and destroy operations in AO BLUE from SW to NE.

(3) Phase 3. Extract from PZs between first light and 0700 hours D plus 2 and return to 1st ATF base camp.

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c. 6 RAR:

(1) Phase 1:

(a) Secure fire support base vicinity YS 4975 with one company by 0800 hours D Day and place company in support of 5 RAR from this time for protection of fire support base.

(b) Assume responsibility for patrolling 1st ATF TAOR from 0800 hours D minus 1.

(c) Assume responsibility for daylight securing of Inter Provincial Route 2 between YS 427657 and YS 467757 from 5 RAR from 0800 hours D minus 1.

(d) Provide one company ready reaction force located in 1st ATF base camp on thirty minutes standby from 0800 hours D - 1.

d. Artillery:

(1) Continue to provide 103 Fd Bty RAA in direct support of 5 RAR.

(2) Continue to provide 101 Fd Bty RAA in direct support of 6 RAR.

(3) Continue to provide 161 Fd Bty RNZA in general support of 1st ATF.

(4) Continue to provide 1st Bn, 83d Artillery in general support and at priority call to 1st ATF.

(5) Place 103 Fd Bty RAA under command 1 APC Sqn for movement to fire support base vicinity YS 4975 from 0600 hours D Day.

(6) Place 103 Fd Bty RAA under command 1 APC Sqn for movement to 1st ATF base camp from 0700 hours D plus 2.

e. 1 APC Sqn:

(1) Lift 103 Fd Bty RAA from 1st ATF base camp to fire support base vicinity YS 4975 by 0800 hours D Day.

(2) Lift 103 Fd Bty RAA from fire support base to 1st ATF base camp commencing 0700 hours D plus 2.

f. 1 Fd Sqn RAE:

(1) Place four combat engineer teams and one tp HQ under command 5 RAR from 1600 hours D minus 2 for duration of operation.

(2) Continue works programme in 1st ATF base camp.

g. 3 SAS Sqn: Deploy surveillance patrols NORTH and EAST of AO BLUE from 0800 hours D minus 2 to 0700 hours D plus 2. Separate orders.

h. Aviation (161 (Indep) Recce Flt):

(1) Provide one H13 in direct support of 5 RAR from 0800 hours D minus 2 until completion of operation.

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(2) Cease to provide one H13 in direct support of 6 RAR on battalions return to 1st ATF base camp.

(3) Provide surveillance of TAOR as ordered.

1. Aviation (US Army):

(1) Light fire team continues to be located at LZ KNAGAROO YS 432667 in 1st ATF base camp during daylight hours.

(2) One airmobile company is available from first light D plus 2 for extraction of 5 RAR.

j. Coordinating instructions:

(1) Operation overlay. Annex P.

(2) D Day. 22 Dec 66.

(3) Air (USAF): FAC aircraft is to cover 1st ATF AO between 0800 hours and 1730 hours daily from D minus 1.

(4) Air (RAAF): Provide six UHIBs on standby at LZ KANGAROO from 0800 hours to 1700 hours daily commencing D Day.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS: Omitted.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL:

a. Signal: 1st ATF SOI

b. Command: HQ 1st ATF remains present location.

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CHRISTMAS POLICY

General

1. The intent of instructions from II FFORCEV is to comply with the spirit and letter of current guidance while at the same time taking all actions and precautions necessary to:

a. Counter VC/NVA initiated attacks with a full strength force of all arms.

b. Ensure the safety of friendly forces.

c. Minimize VC/NVA military exploitation of the curtailment period.

Mission

2. 1 ATF is to implement II FFORCEV orders covering the Christmas truce period.

Concept of Operations

3. No offensive ground or offensive air operations are to be carried out except in response to enemy initiatives endangering the safety of Aust/NZ/US/ RVN/other FWMA forces.

4. If any unit, sub unit or patrol is in contact with the enemy, do not break contact unless the enemy's effort to withdraw is clearly evident or until the contact is otherwise concluded. Artillery and air support of ground troops in contact is to be continued as necessary for the security of the ground troops.

5. Examples of enemy initiatives are:

a. Enemy attack.

b. Movement of armed combat elements towards 1 ATF base, friendly forces or friendly villages.

c. Massing of unfriendly people into groups of larger than 40 to 50 persons.

d. Establishment of supply caches or installations within mortar range of 1 ATF base i.e., line ALFA

e. Raids or armed intimidation of friendly villages or installations.

f. Violation of curfews.

6. No H and I targets are to be fired.

7. No preplanned airstrikes are to be made.

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8. 5 RAR and 6 RAR are each to maintain a minimum of three platoon sized patrols in their sectors of the TAOR out to line ALFA.

9. SAS are to maintain up to six reconnaissance patrols outside line ALFA.

10. All units are to maintain the normal vigilance.

11. The normal reaction force is to be on 30 minutes notice to move.

Execution

12. 5 RAR:

a. Maintain one rifle company and one mortar section on 30 minutes notice to move, as reaction force.

b. Maintain a minimum of three platoon sized patrols in your sector of the TAOR out to line ALFA. One patrol to be located in the BINH BA area.

13. 6 RAR:

a. Maintain one rifle company and one mortar section on 30 minutes notice to move, as reaction force.

b. Maintain a minimum of three platoon sized patrols in your sector of the TAOR out to line ALFA. One patrol to be located in the HOA LONG AREA.

14. Artillery: Continue to provide:

a. 103 Fd Bty RAA in direct support of 5 RAR.

b. 101 Fd Bty RAA in direct support of 6 RAR

c. 161 Fd Bty RNZA, 1/83 Arty and Bty A 2/35 Arty in general support of 1 ATF.

15. 1 APC Sqn: Maintain one troop and two mortar tracks on 30 minutes notice to move, as reaction force.

16. 1 Fd Sqn RAE: Maintain two combat engineer teams (each seven men) on 30 minutes notice to move, as reaction force.

17. 3 SAS SQN:

a. Maintain up to six reconnaissance patrols outside line ALFA.

b. Detailed orders separately.

18. Aviation:

a. 161 (Indep) Recce Flt.

(1) Provide surveillance of TAOR by day and by night. Detailed tasks issued separately.

(2) Provide one aircraft for artillery observation by day.

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(3) Provide one H13 on standby at KANGAROO, by day.

b. US Army Avn. Provide light fire team on standby at KANGAROO by day.

c. RAAF. Provide two UHIBs on standby at KANGAROO by day.

d. USAF. FAC aircraft is to provide surveillance of 1 ATF AO by day and by night. Detailed tasks issued separately.

19. Coordinating Instructions

a. Timings:

(1) Christmas cease fire from 240700H to 260700H Dec 66.

(2) New year and Tet cease fire timings later.

b. Rules of Engagement. The rules of engagement during the operational curtailment period are:

(1) Inside line ALFA. No change to 1 ATF Standing Operating Procedures.

(2) Outside line ALFA.

(a) If the party is in excess of 40 but not armed attempt to apprehend provided it does not prejudice the safety of own troops.

(b) If the party is in excess of 40 and armed. No change to 1 ATF Standing Operating Procedures.

(c) If the party is smaller than 40, armed or not. Attempt to apprehend provided it does not prejudice the safety of own troops.

(3) All incidents must be reported to 1 ATF by the fastest possible means.

Administration and Logistics

20. No change.

Command and Signal

21. No change.

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Reference: Maps VIETNAM, 1:50:000, Sheets 6442 III and IV, Series 6701.
1:25,000, Sheets 6430 IIS, IIIS, IIN and IIIN,
L8020, Picto.

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Annex A.

b. Friendly Forces.

(1) 615 RF Coy is located at the villa 444746 to the NW of BINH BA village. This company will be retained inside its strong point throughout the operation.

(2) As part of the operation 5 RAR patrols will continue to patrol the TAOR.

(3) Admin Comd 5 RAR is to be located with 615 RF Coy at the villa.

(4) Recce Pl has been operating in the area since 15 Dec 66.

(5) IO has briefed Senior Adviser DUC THANH district on details of this operation.

c. Attachments and Detachments.

(1) Under command from 231500 H Dec 66 until released by 5 RAR on 23 Dec 66	One tp 1 APC Sqn (11 x APC)
(2) Under command from 240800 H Dec 66 until released by 5 RAR on 24 Dec 66	One tp 1 APC Sqn (11 x APC)
(3) Remaining in direct support	103 Fd Bty
(4) In support and at priority call to 5 RAR from 231230 H until 231430 H Dec 66	161 Fd Bty RNZA
(5) In support and at priority call to 5 RAR on 24 Dec 66 from the time 103 Fd Bty needs to move until that battery is ready in its new gun position	161 Fd Bty RNZA
(6) In support from 231400 H to 231430 H Dec 66	One UHIB 9 Sqn RAAF

2. MISSION. 5 RAR is to cordon and ambush the BINH BA area.

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3. EXECUTION.

a. General Outline. The operation will be conducted in three phases as follows:

(1) Phase 1. A Coy moves from its present position by APCs toward DUC THANH and debusses by platoons in covered areas. Bn Tac HQ moves to villa 444746.

(2) Phase 2. A Coy, two platoons D Coy and the Recce Pl move into ambush positions.

(3) Phase 3. Ambushes lifted. A Coy and tac HQ returns to base area, two platoons D Coy continue their normal TAOR patrols.

b. A Coy.

(1) Grouping.

(a) Normal attachments.

(b) In support from 231500 H until A Coy has debussed in vic YS 459767 — One tp 1 APC Sqn

(c) In support from 240800 H until A Coy has returned to its base area. — One tp 1 APC Sqn.

(2) Tasks.

(a) Phase 1.

i. Move in APC from your base area giving the impression you are moving through BINH BA to DUC THANH.

ii. Debus two platoons on the move into Areas A and B (see Annex P) making sure you are not seen. Coy HQ should also debus in this general area.

iii. The third platoon is to debus in a similar manner into Area C (See Annex P) on the return journey towards AP AN PHU.

iv. Each platoon is to carry two wireless sets.

(b) Phase 2.

i. Move your platoons into the half platoon ambush positions shown on Annex P.

ii. HQ A Coy is to move to villa 444746 by a covered route to arrive by 231800 H Dec 66.

iii. Ambushes in position by 231830 H Dec 66.

(c) Phase 3.

i. Assemble your sub-units at the following RVs:

Coy HQ at airstrip 445744
One platoon at 445764
One platoon at road/track junction 457758
One platoon at bend 461728.

 /ii. Return towards

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ii. Return towards your base area with Bn Tac HQ by APC.

iii. At vic TL2/track junction 449728 meet your Southern platoon, already mounted in APCs, and return direct to base.

c. B Coy.

(1) Grouping. Normal attachments.

(2) Tasks. Continue the tasks detailed in 5 RAR R569-1-9 dated 22 Dec 66 (Forecast of Activities).

d. C Coy.

(1) Grouping. Normal attachments.

(2) Tasks.

(a) Continue the tasks detailed in 5 RAR R569-1-9 dated 22 Dec 66 (Forecast of Activities).

(b) By 231800 H Dec 66 move one platoon to occupy A Coy base area and a second platoon to occupy B Coy base area. These platoons are to join the Bn Comd Net as their normal callsigns.

(c) These two platoons are to revert to B Coy command at 240630 H Dec 66.

e. D Coy.

(1) Grouping. Normal attachments.

(2) Tasks.

(a) Phase 1.

i. Continue the tasks detailed in 5 RAR R569-1-9 dated 22 Dec 66 (Forecast of Activities).

ii. Each platoon TAOR patrol is to carry two wireless sets and move by the route shown on Annex P.

(b) Phase 2.

i. The two platoons are to move into the half platoon or platoon ambush positions shown on Annex P in Areas D and E

ii. At 231800 H Dec 66 these platoons, on orders of Bn HQ, are to flick to the Bn Tac HQ Comd Net.

iii. Ambushes in position by 231830 H Dec 66.

(c) Phase 3.

i. On 24 Dec, on orders from Bn Tac HQ, flick to Bn Comd Net.

ii. Continue and complete the TAOR patrols tasks.

iii. Do not move closer than 500 metre to TL 2/track junction 449728.

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f. Mor Pl.

(1) Grouping.

(a) One section remain at BINH BA villa 444746.

(b) Platoon (-) remain in base area.

(2) Tasks.

(a) Base area defence.

(b) Support for the ambush sites to the limit of your range.

g. Recce Pl.

(1) Grouping. Normal attachments.

(2) Tasks.

(a) Phase 1.

i. Remain at vic villa 444746.

ii. Tasks as required by Bn Tac HQ

(b) Phase 2.

i. On orders from Bn Tac HQ move to and occupy ambush positions (See Annex P) in the general vicinities of the NW, NE, SE and SW corners of BINH BA village.

ii. Pl HQ to remain at villa 444746.

(c) Phase 3. On orders from Bn Tac HQ continue your tasks in the BINH BA area as contained in 5 RAR R569-1-9 dated 22 Dec 66.

h. Aslt Pnr Pl.

(1) Grouping. No change.

(2) Tasks. Continue the tasks detailed in 5 RAR R569-1-9 dated 22 Dec 66.

i. 1 APC Sqn.

(1) Grouping.

(a) Under command from 231500 H Dec 66 until released by 5 RAR on 23 Dec 66 — One tp 1 APC Sqn (11 x APC)

(b) Under command from 240800 H Dec until released by 5 RAR on 24 Dec 66 — One tp 1 APC Sqn (11 x APC)

(2) Tasks.

(a) Phase 1.

i. Report to OC A Coy at A Coy base area at 231500 H.

/ii. Embus A Coy

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ii. Embus A Coy and move NORTH along Route 2, through BINH BA towards DUC THANH.

iii. Sweep through the rubber in the general vic of Areas A and B and debus a platoon in each of those areas while on the move (See Annex P).

iv. Return towards 5 RAR base area and then sweep through the rubber towards the general vic of Area C (See Annex P). Debus a platoon in this general area while on the move.

v. Cease to be under command and return to your base.

(b) Phase 2. Nil.

(c) Phase 3.

i. Move towards DUC THANH and embus 5 RAR sub-units at the following RVs:

HQ A Coy and Bn Tac HQ - airstrip 445744
One platoon - 445764
One platoon - road/track junction 457758
One platoon - track bend 461728.

ii. Move the northern groups as one body back towards AP AN PHU.

iii. At TL2/track junction 449728 meet the southern platoon/APC group and return all troops to 5 RAR base area.

h. Arty.

(1) Grouping.

(a) Remaining in direct support — 103 Fd Bty

(b) In support and at priority call to 5 RAR from 231230 H to 231430 H Dec 66. — 161 Fd Bty RNZA

(c) In support and at priority call to 5 RAR from the time 103 Fd Bty needs to move until that battery is ready in its new gun position — 161 Fd Bty RNZA

(2) Tasks.

(a) 103 Fd Bty is to move to a new gun area on the southern side of LUSCOMBE airstrip vic 446682, commencing at 231230 H Dec 66.

(b) Fire support as required.

i. Aviation.

(1) Grouping.

In support from 231400 H to 231430 H Dec 66 — One UHIB 9 Sqn RAAF

(2) Task. Move Bn Tac HQ from TIGER V to airstrip vic 445744.

/j. Coordinating Instructions

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j. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) D Day. 23 Dec 66.

(2) Initial Timings.

(a) Two platoons D Coy depart on TAOR patrols — D - 1

(b) Bn Tac HQ departs TIGER V — 231400 H

(c) A Coy departs base location by APC — 231500 H

(d) One platoon C Coy in location in each A Coy and B Coy base locations — 231800 H

(e) Ambushes in position — 231830 H

(3) Curfew. Curfew hours on Route 2 are between 1900 hrs and 0500 hours each night.

(4) Patrol Routes. Annex P.

(5) Cordon Areas and Ambush Positions. Annex P.

(6) Safety.

(a) All ranks are to wear RED hat bands.

(b) 615 RF Coy is to be retained inside its compound throughout the operation.

(c) During Phase 3 the D Coy TAOR patrols are not to move closer than 500 metres to TL 2/track junction 449728.

(7) Rules of Engagement.

(a) Fire will only be opened under the following conditions:

i. When a VIETNAMESE is seen to be carrying a weapon.

ii. When fired at.

iii. When a hostile act is about to be committed.

(b) If in doubt do not shoot.

(8) Rear Area Security. A Coy is to leave 10 fit men under command of its Coy 2IC in its base location.

(9) RVs for Phase 3.

(a) Bn Tac HQ and HQ A Coy - airstrip 445744

(b) One platoon A Coy - 445764.

(c) One platoon A Coy - road/track junction 457758

(d) One platoon A Coy track bend 461728.

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(10) Ambush Positions

(a) Area ALFA. Point ALFA ONE 434765
Point ALFA TWO 445764

(b) Area BRAVO. Point BRAVO ONE 458765
Point BRAVO TWO 468754

(c) Area CHARLIE. Point CHARLIE ONE 465730
Point CHARLIE TWO 465723

(d) Area DELTA. Road/Track junction 446717

(e) Area ECHO. Point ECHO ONE 444736
Point ECHO TWO 439743

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

a. Rations.

(1) Bn Tac HQ and A Coy to carry one 24 hour ration pack.

(2) D Coy patrols to carry two 24 hour ration packs.

b. Water.

(1) Each man is to carry at least three full water bottles when he leaves the base.

(2) Local water with normal sterilization may be used.

c. Ammuntiion.

(1) Normal scales.

(2) The mortar section at BINH BA has in location:

200 rounds HE

10 rounds smoke

25 rounds illuminating

d. Medical.

(1) Normal attachments.

(2) Medevac by DUSTOFF aircraft.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL

a. Bn HQ.

(1) Bn Tac HQ.

(a) During Phase ' moves to villa vic YS 444746.

(b) During Phase 2 no change

(c) During Phase 3 returns to base at AP AN PHU.

(2) Bn HQ (-). Remains present location.

b. Radio

(1) Current 1 ATF SOI apply with the following ammendments:

(a) Bn Tac HQ Comd Net established with effect from 231800H Dec 66.

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i. Frequency. 37.80 M/CS

ii. Callword. AG

iii. Control Callsign. 91

iv. Substations during phase 1. Nil

v. Substations during Phase 2. Pl and half platoon groups of D Coy.

vi. Substations during Phase 3. Nil. All substations revert to normal Bn HQ Comd Net on orders of Bn Tac HQ.

(b) Bn Tac HQ to operate a rear link substation on Bn Comd Net as callsign 91.

(2) Sufficient extra AN PRC 25 sets to be issued to allow A Coy to operate with 6 half platoon groups. These groups remain on A Coy Comd Net using normal callsigns.

(3) Sufficient extra AN PRC 25 sets to be issued to allow D Coy to operate 4 half platoon groups. These groups will all flick to Bn Tac HQ Comd Net at 231800H Dec 66.

(4) Recce Pl Comd Net continues to operate.

(5) One extra (spare) AN PRC 25 set to be provided to Bn Tac HQ.

(6) On orders of Bn HQ (-) the C Coy platoon allocated for the base defence of A Coy and B Coy areas will flick to the Bn Comd Net using normal callsign.

c. Line. No line is to be laid.

d. Points of Origin, Q Hr, Passwords. As currently issued.

e. Codes. As currently issued.

f. Nicknames. As currently issued.

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Annexes: A. Enemy
P. Routes, Cordon Areas and Ambush Positions.
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Annex A (Enemy Situation) to OP ORD 27-66 (OP ALBANY).

General

1. During the past two months there has been consistent VIET CONG movement in and around BINH BA, particularly at night and often with lights. Some members local guerillas return to spend time with their families; political cadre come into BINH BA to spread propaganda, collect taxes of food and money and to remind the villagers that their conduct is being watched.

2. Main force VIET CONG have also visited BINH BA in order to transport food, to rest and to reconnoitre the defences of 615 RF Coy.

Tracks Used

3. a. Route 2 between DUC THANH and the rubber plantation SOUTH of DUC MY.

b. The several tracks leading from DUC MY to LA SON 4671, this latter area being used for staging and temporary storage.

c. The track leading into DUC MY from the WEST along the southern edge of the rubber plantation between YS 440738 and YS 447736.

d. Small undefined tracks leading into the plantation corner in the vicinity of YS 434736.

e. Several tracks leading into the western edge of the plantation and converging on the airstrip near YS 440734. From this point the VC have been seen moving along the edges of the airstrip to the main track which leads into BINH BA.

f. Two tracks leading into the NW corner of the plantation at YS 423767 and YS 432766. These are the most direct links between BINH BA and the nearest VIET CONG main force base.

g. Some undefined tracks leading into the northern edge of the plantation between NORTHINGS 444 and 454 are used by the VIET CONG to avoid ambushes laid near Route 2.

h. A track leading into the NE corner of the plantation at YS 468755 links up with the VIET CONG track system which runs along the SUOI DA BANG and then NE to the SUOI GIAU and onwards to the several main force base areas.

i. Several small tracks leading into the eastern edge of the plantation from the SUOI DA BANG track system. The most frequent use of these has been observed on the direct line from the plantation edge to the village centre from YS 464736.

j. The creek leading into DUC MY from the SW.

Type of VIET CONG Moving into Binh Ba

4. Mainly guerillas move in and out of BINH BA, but on several occasions main force platoons have visited the village. On one occasion in early November a main force company was reported to have passed through the village.

5. Battalion sized groups have been observed moving near the NORTH and EAST edges of the plantation.

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Size of VC Groups

6. Normally small groups of five to ten men only are seen. However, if a portering party is encountered after food collection, it may contain in excess of one hundred persons. Many of these persons are unarmed civilians who have been impressed for one night's work. It is possible, although unlikely, for main force platoons or a company to be encountered.

Possible Enemy Reactions to Ambush

7. Probably the VIET CONG would attempt evasion and escape because their main purpose in visiting BINH BA is administrative rather than aggressive. However it is possible that main force fighting patrols or a raiding party directed at 615 RF Coy may be met. Such a patrol or raiding party is likely to be moving within range of mortar support. Main Force units in PHUOC TUY Province have recently been supplied with large numbers of Claymore mines.

8. A Main Force group which is ambushed may be expected to fight back fiercely.

VC Hard Installations.

9. a. Tunnel at YS 468745

b. Tunnel at YS 467765

c. Base camp at YS 472720

d. Nine pits at YS 468742

e. Two bunkers at YS 456714

f. Bunker at YS 474718

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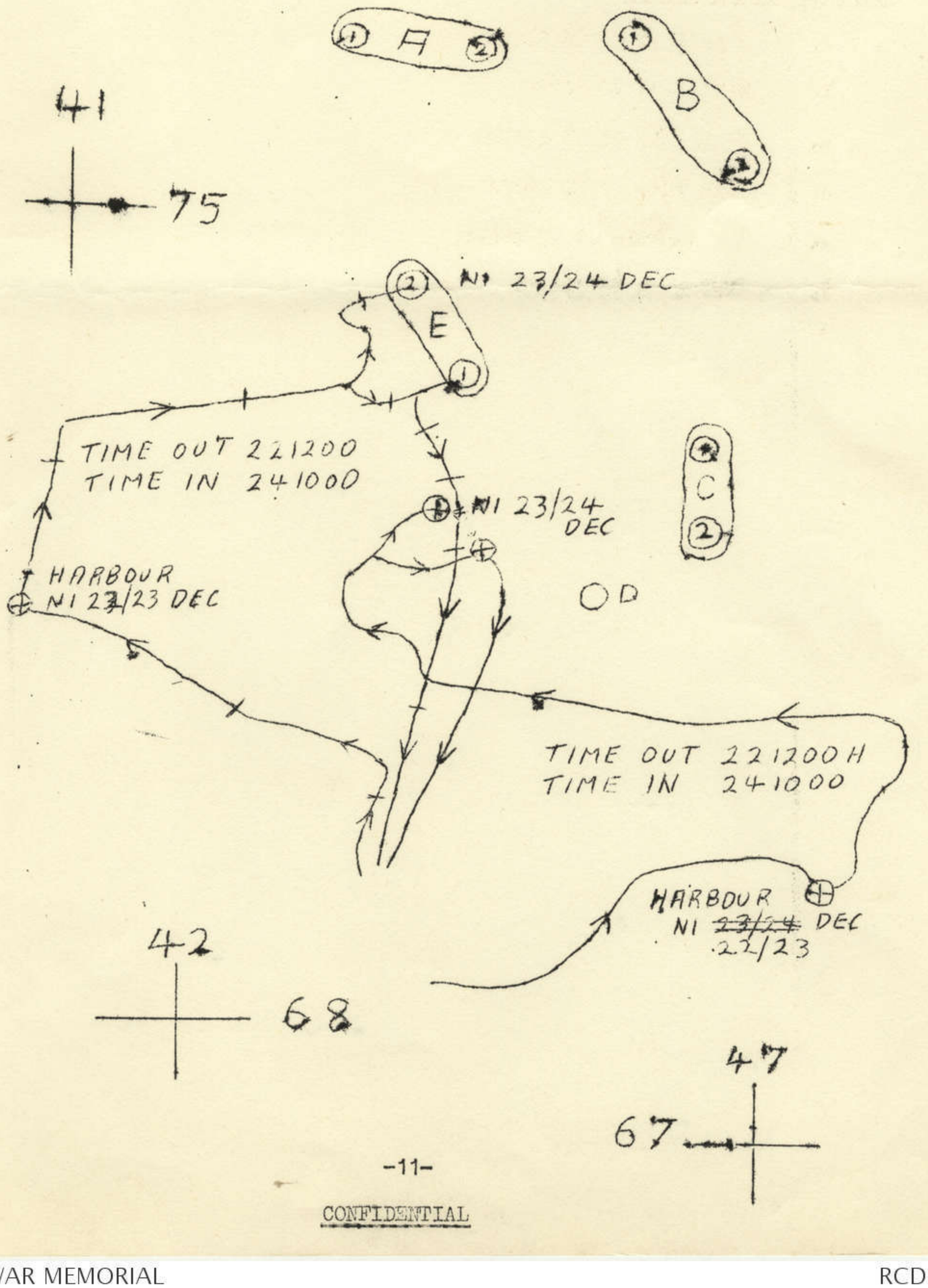
Annex P (Routes, Cordon areas and Ambush positions) to OP ORD 27-66 OP ALBANY.



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Op Instr No 1-66 (OP CALOUNDRA)

TO: Lt Col J.A. Warr, CO 5 RAR

SITUATION

1. Enemy Forces. Enemy organisation and strength in the objective area is shown at Annex A.

2. Friendly Forces. Current locstats.

3. Attachments and Detachments.

a.	Under command from 1630 hrs D-2:	One combat engineer team (7men)
b.	Under command from 1600 hrs D-1:	One tp 1 APC Sqn 10 NFFP 6 Interpreters
c.	Under command from 1400 hrs D Day until released by 5 RAR on D Day	30 TCVs
d.	Remaining in direct support	103 Fd Bty RAA
e.	In support and at priority call to 5 RAR from 0700 hrs D-1	One pl Bty A, 2/35 Arty
f.	At priority call during move of 103 Fd Bty RAA on D-1	161 Fd Bty RNZA
g.	In support from 0630 hrs D-1	One light fire team One H13 161 (Indep) Recce Flt
h.	In support from 0500 hrs D Day	One Cessna 161 (Indep) Recce Flt
i.	In support from 0530 hrs D Day	One psywar ac One FAC
j.	In support from 0700 hrs D Day	One UHIB 9 Sqn RAAF
k.	In support from 1000 hrs D Day	1 ATF CA Unit
l.	In location from 1630 hrs D-2	One LO 3 SAS Sqn

MISSION

4. You are to cordon and search the village of BINH BA on D Day.

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EXECUTION

5. Tasks in general - 5 RAR

a. Move to harbour area AM D-1

b. Position cordon by 0430 hrs D Day

c. Search village D Day

d. Return to base camp PM D Day

e. Establish ambushes at selected points vicinity DUC MY and DUC TRUNG.

6. Tasks - SAS

a. Establish four reconnaissance patrols by 1630 hrs D-2.

b. Provide EW, through LO with 5 RAR, of any large scale enemy movement towards BINH BA.

c. Location of patrols advised separately.

7. Tasks - CA

a. Provide portable loud hailer to 5 RAR by 1600 hrs D-2.

b. Provide medcap, dentcap assistance as required by 5 RAR on D Day.

ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

8. No change to normal unless required by 5 RAR.

9. RAASC to provide 30 TCVs for move of 5 RAR to base area from BINH BA on PM D Day.

COMMAND AND SIGNAL

10. Signals 1 ATF SOI.

11. Command. HQ 1 ATF remains present location.

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Chief - PHAM VAN LUAN alias TRAN LUAN
Member - LOC

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'O' FAMILY UNIT ASSOCIATION

Leader - LINH
Asst Leader - THI SEN
Member - GAI GIO
" - DUY
" - DUONG
" - LE
" - HO PHUNG

LIBERATION WOMEN'S CELL - SONG CAU HAMLET

Member - NGUYEN THI THOM

MILITARY SECTION

Military Commander - NGUYEN VAN HIEU alias KHANH
Village Unit Leader - HIEN
Asst Village Unit Leader - HOA

NONG THON GUERILLA UNIT

Squad Leader - TRUNG
Member - BAC
" - DAN
" - CANH
" - KHAM
" - SAT
" - PHUC
" - NGHIA
" - BA CHA
" - LUC
" - DAT
" - NGHI
" - DINH
" - CAM

CAO SU GUERILLA UNIT

Member - MAU

BINH BA SQUAD 1

Squad Leader - TINH
Asst Squad Leader - NHUT
Member - THINH
" - CHA
" - VUI
" - THUONG
" - MINH
" - CHAU
" - TANH
" - LOI
" - SAC
" - NUOI

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BINH BA SQUAD 2

Squad Leader	-	HOANG (deceased)
Asst Squad Leader	-	UT
Member	-	DANG
"	-	THANH
"	-	THONG
"	-	CHAU
"	-	TIEN
"	-	HANH
"	-	VINH
"	-	MAI
"	-	MANH

BINH BA SQUAD 3

Squad Leader	-	CAO
Asst Squad Leader	-	TRA
Member	-	CUT
"	-	DUC
"	-	HONG
"	-	CU
"	-	XE
"	-	THONG
"	-	VINH
"	-	BINH
"	-	HUONG

BINH BA - VILLAGE GUERILLA UNIT

Unit Leader	-	BINH
Squad Leader	-	THANG
Asst Squad Leader	-	THIEM
Member	-	LUAN
"	-	MAU
"	-	KHAM
"	-	KHANG
"	-	THI PHUC
"	-	CAM

HAMLET '1' RESERVE GUERILLA SQUAD

Squad Leader	-	BA alias BA TAU
Asst Squad Leader	-	THI PHUC
Member	-	THI BAN
"	-	HUU
"	-	TU
"	-	SON
"	-	DAU

DUC TRUNG RESERVE GUERILLA SQUAD

Member	-	CHAU
"	-	BA
"	-	HOAI
"	-	HAI
"	-	NGOAT
"	-	TAM
"	-	LONG
"	-	HOI
"	-	LUAN

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PHUOC TUY VC PROVINCE HQ

CHAU DUC DISTRICT COMMITTEE

CHAU DUC DISTRICT WORKER'S GROUP

CHAU DUC DISTRICT NURSES

BINH BA VILLAGE COMMITTEE

CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

LIBERATION WORKERS GROUP

ECONOMIC & FINANCE SECTION

LABOUR & RECRUITING SECTION

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MILITARY SECTION

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BINH BA SQUAD 2

BINH BA SQUAD 3

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DUC TRUNG RESERVE GUERILLA SQUAD

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NEW YEAR POLICY

General

1. The intent of instructions from II FFORCEV is to comply with the spirit and letter of current guidance while at the same time taking all actions and precautions necessary to:

a. Counter VC/NVA initiated attacks with a full strength force of all arms.

b. Ensure the safety of friendly forces.

c. Minimize VC/NVA military exploitation of the curtailment period.

Mission

2. 1 ATF is to implement II FFORCEV orders covering the New Year curtailment of hostilities.

Concept of Operations

3. No offensive ground or offensive air operations are to be carried out except in response to enemy initiatives endangering the safety of Aust/NZ/US/RVN/other FWMA forces.

4. If any unit, sub unit or patrol is in contact with the enemy, do not break contact unless the enemy's effort to withdraw is clearly evident or until the contact is otherwise concluded. Artillery and air support of ground troops in contact is to be continued as necessary for the security of the ground troops.

5. Examples of enemy initiatives are:

a. Enemy attack.

b. Movement of armed combat elements towards 1 ATF Base, friendly forces or friendly villages.

c. Massing of unfriendly people into groups larger than 40 to 50 persons.

d. Establishment of supply caches or installations within mortar range of 1 ATF base, i.e., line ALFA.

e. Raids or armed intimidation of friendly villages or installations.

f. Violation of curfews.

6. No H and I targets are to be fired.

7. No preplanned airstrikes are to be made.

8. 5 RAR is to maintain a minimum of three platoon sized patrols in the 1 ATF TAOR out to line ALFA.

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9. 6 RAR Group is to continue Operation DUCK II.

10. 3 SAS Sqn are to maintain four reconnaissance patrols outside line ALFA.

11. All units are to maintain the normal vigilance.

12. The normal reaction force is to be on 30 minutes notice to move.

Execution

13. 5 RAR

a. Maintain one rifle company and one mortar section on 30 minutes notice to move, as reaction force.

b. Maintain a minimum of three platoon sized patrols in 1 ATF TAOR out to line ALFA.

c. Provide one company under command 6 RAR for Operation DUCK.

14. 6 RAR Group

a. Continue Operation DUCK II.

b. Fire no artillery missions unless in contact.

c. Maintain those patrols as necessary for the security of 6 RAR Group and Route 15.

d. Rules of engagement normal for operations.

15. Artillery: Continue to provide:

a. 103 Fd Bty RAA in direct support of 5 RAR.

b. 101 Fd Bty RAA in direct support of 6 RAR.

c. 161 Fd Bty RNZA, 1/83 Arty and Bty A 2/35 Arty in general support of 1 ATF.

16. 1 APC Sqn

a. Provide one troop under command 6 RAR.

b. Maintain one troop and two mortar tracks on 30 minutes notice to move, as reaction force.

17. 1 FD Sqn RAE. Maintain one combat engineer team (seven men) on 30 minutes notice to move, as reaction force.

18. 3 SAS Sqn.

a. Maintain up to four reconnaissance patrols outside line ALFA.

b. Detailed orders separately.

19. Aviation

a. 161 (Indep) Recce Flt:

(1) Provide surveillance of TAOR by day and by night. Detailed tasks issued separately.

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(2) Provide one aircraft for artillery observation by day.

(3) Provide one H13 on standby at KANGAROO, by day.

b. US Army Avn. Provide light fire team on standby at KANGAROO by day.

c. RAAF. Provide two UH1Bs on standby at KANGAROO by day.

d. USAF. FAC aircraft is to provide surveillance of 1 ATF AO by day and by night. Detailed tasks issued separately.

20. Coordinating Instructions.

a. Timings. New Year curtailment of hostilities is from 310700H Dec 66 until 020700H Jan 67.

b. Rules of Engagement. The rules of engagement during the operational curtailment period are:

(1) Inside line ALFA. No change to 1 ATF Standing Operating Procedures.

(2) Outside line ALFA:

(a) If the party is in excess of 40 but not armed attempt to apprehend provided it does not prejudice the safety of own troops.

(b) If the party is in excess of 40 and armed. No change to 1 ATF Standing Operating Procedures.

(c) If the party is smaller than 40, armed or not. Attempt to apprehend provided it does not prejudice the safety of own troops.

(3) Operation DUCK II. Normal for operations.

(4) All incidents must be reported to 1 ATF by the fastest means possible.

Administration and Logistics.

21. No change.

Command and Signal

22. No change.

Acknowledge.

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Annex L

To

COMMANDER'S DIARY

(Dec 66)

ENCLOSURE

DO Letter of 28 Dec 66

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TELEPHONE

From: Major P.D. HUDD ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ CONFIDENTIAL

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Quote in Reply DO/PDH/14/66

ADDRESS 103 Sig Sqn
AFPO 4
GPO SYDNEY

28 Dec 66

Operations

This month we have been engaged in two route security operations, securing route 15 from BARIA (3760) to PHY MY (2574) for the movement into the country of two new US brigades. There was nothing very exciting in these operations. We deployed our normal re-broadcast station on V.C. Hill at VUNG TAU.

Signal Centre

The installation of our permanent signal centre is now under way and I hope we will be able to move most of our operations into it next month, probably all except cipher. The switchboard is already operating.

I will attach a diagram of the layout in the building. I think it is fairly self explanatory. In the teleprinter room there is provision for eight positions, each consisting of TT-4, TT-76, KW7 and TH-5. In addition there are two tape preparation positions consisting of TT-4 and TT-76. In the planning stages we had a number of changes in the circuits we expected to operate from here. At one stage we expected the RAAF circuits to be included, but they have subsequently been moved. At another stage it seemed likely that the US circuits to 2 Force V would move into the building, but this has fallen through. Now it looks as if we will have duplex circuits to SAIGON and VUNG TAU using positions 1 to 4, provision for a simplex link to a forward task force HQ on position 5 and the remaining three positions spare.

The equipment room contains mainly an IDF and a jackfield, with just a few other pieces of equipment. The radio room is the operator's position for the remote keying of the control station on the TF Tg net.

The switchboard now consists of two SB-86's, at present providing 77 locals and trunks, and is expected to continue to expand. It is now manned by two operators during daytime working hours and one at night. You will realise that this is not possible with our present establishment and I am having to use non-switchboard operators. I have put up a submission asking for three more switchboard operators.

The delay in moving into the cipher office will be caused by the problems of obtaining the materials and making the necessary physical security arrangements.

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Emergency Facilities

In addition to the installation in the permanent signal centre we are working towards developing emergency facilities which will allow us to continue to provide a basic minimum of communications in the event of the base being mortared. For this purpose we will use the MTC-7 and MCC-17 shelters. The shelters will be set up side by side with sandbag walls and roof for mortar protection. The SDO and swbd op will use the MTC-7; the teleprinter op and radio op will use the MCC-17.

The MTC-7 is now in position and about half sandbagged. The key lines off the main switchboard will be duplicated on this board. I doubt if we will be able to set up the MCC-17 until late next month at the earliest, depending on how installation progress goes.

Miscellaneous

On the camp construction side, the canteen and OR's dining room are now built. They still only have a dirt floor at this stage. The concrete floor is to follow later when we can get access to one of the engineer's concrete mixers. They are in short supply and rather hard to come by.

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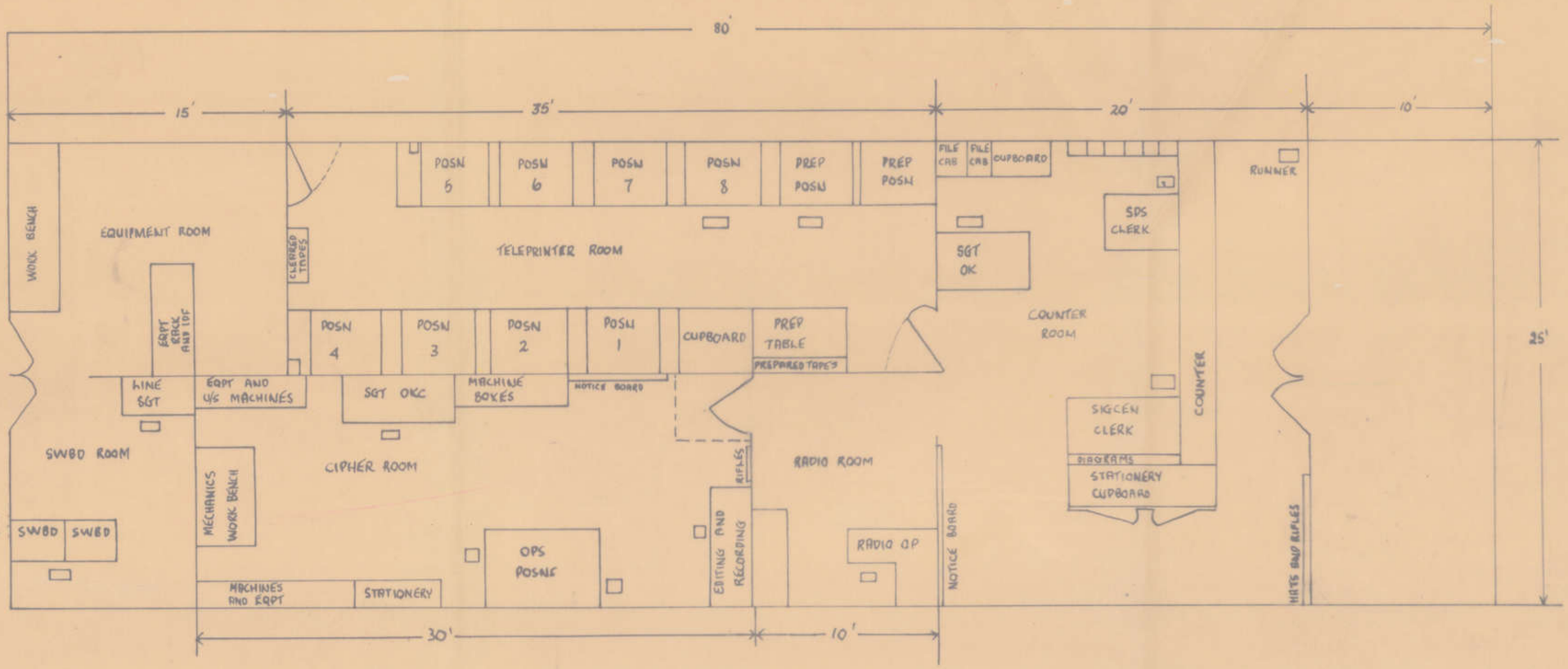

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