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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.

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COMMANDERS DIARY

OF

Unit or Formation

4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) BN

From 1 NOVEMBER 1968

To 30 NOVEMBER 1968

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COMMANDERS DIARIES INSTRUCTIONS

AIM

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

GENERAL

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

RESPONSIBILITY

During Non-operational Periods

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

During Operational Periods (1)

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

COMPILATION

6. Both original and duplicate copies are to consist of:
 - a. Cover (AF C 2119) (Adapted).
 - b. Index as printed on cover.
 - c. Narrative (AF C 2118) (Adapted).
 - d. Annexes as shown in the Index.
7. All details of the unit or formation (if a detachment is concerned, the name of the parent unit), period covered and enclosure numbers of the annexes are to be shown on the cover. If there has been a change of command since the last report, the date of assumption by the new commanding officer is to be included.
8. The annexes are to be assembled in the groups shown on the cover. If there are no enclosures for an annex NII, will be entered on the cover. If additional annexes are convenient for a particular headquarters, are to be entered on the cover.

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orders given.

day's fighting, including company movements.

order with regard to equipment, tactics, organization

of tactical importance.

names of officers, men and equipment.

of personnel captured.

of personnel employed in the time not accounted for. The type of

of orders issued and received, routine returns, etc. All dates and the time of receipt or despatch is to be given.

of the annexes, but need not give a precis of any of them.

COMMA DISPOSAL ARIES

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:

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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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- d. Appendix as shown in the Index.

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COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

AF - C 2118 (Adapted)

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MONTH AND YEAR NOVEMBER

REFERENCE MAP

UNIT/FORMATION 4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC)

COMMANDING OFFICER LT COL L.R. GREVILLE

Place and grid reference	Date	Time	Event or information	Annex letter and enclosure number
NUI DAT	1 NOV		4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) CONTINUED PATROLLING IN I ATF TAOR. SECURITY ELEMENTS REMAINED AT FSPB FLINDERS AND THE BN HQ POSITION. LOCATIONS: 4 RAR (-) I ATF BASE; B COY HORSESHOE HILL YS 4962; SP COY (-) FSPB FLINDERS YS 5289 AND YS 505866.	
NUI DAT	2 NOV		4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) CONTINUED PATROLLING IN I ATF TAOR. SECURITY ELEMENTS REMAINED AT FSPB FLINDERS AND THE BN HQ POSITION. LOCATIONS: 4 RAR (-) I ATF BASE; B COY HORSESHOE HILL YS 4962; SP COY (-) FSPB FLINDERS YS 5289 AND YS 505866.	
			RECEIVED - I ATF PATROL PROGRAMME	ANNEX I ENCLOSURE 1
			ISSUED - AIR PLANNING TABLE	ANNEX H ENCLOSURE 1
			ISSUED - CONFIRMATORY NOTES TO VERBAL ORDERS GIVEN BY CO 4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC)	ANNEX C ENCLOSURE 1
TRENTHAM YS 505866	3 NOV		4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) DEPLOYED BY AIR AND COMMENCED OPERATIONS IN AO CURTIN CENTRE OF MASS YS 5588. LOCATIONS: BN HQ YS 505866; B COY HORSESHOE HILL YS 4962; C COY YS 563840; D COY FSPB FLINDERS; V COY YS 566869; W COY I ATF BASE.	
		1340H	VISIT - GENERAL GOODMASTER DCG MACV	
TRENTHAM YS 505866	4 NOV		4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN AO CURTIN WITH OUT CONTACT. LOCATIONS: BN HQ YS 505866; B COY HORSESHOE HILL YS 4962; C COY YS 563844; D COY FSPB FLINDERS; V COY YS 564870; W COY I ATF BASE.	
			ISSUE - ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1	ANNEX H ENCLOSURE 2
TRENTHAM YS 505866	5 NOV		4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN AO CURTIN WITHOUT CONTACT. AT YS 560871 2 PL V COY FOUND AN ENEMY CAMP CONTAINING 20 BUNKERS; THE CAMP WAS RECENTLY CONSTRUCTED AND HAD BEEN USED BY 6-8 PERSONS WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 48 HOURS. AT YS 546889 11 PL D COY FOUND AN OLD CAMP OF 60 BUNKERS; 2 MORE RECENTLY BUILT CAMPS WERE IN SAME AREA.	

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TRENTHAM YS 505866	5 NOV (CONT)		LOCATIONS: BN HQ YS 505866; B COY HORSESHOE HILL YS 4962; C COY YS 556854; D COY FSPB FLINDERS YS 5289; V COY YS 551869; W COY I ATF BASE. ISSUE - COMBAT OPERATIONS AFTER ACTION REPORT W16/68 ISSUE - COMBAT OPERATIONS AFTER ACTION REPORT W17/68	ANNEX N ENCLOSURE 4 ANNEX M ENCLOSURE 5
TRENTHAM YS 505866	6 NOV	0100H	4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN AO CURTIN WITHOUT CONTACT. AT YS 562875 2 X RPG ROUNDS WERE FIRED IN THE GENERAL VICINITY OF 2 PL V COY WITHOUT RESULT. AT YS 556869 1 PL V COY FOUND 7 NEWLY CONSTRUCTED BUNKERS, THEY HAVE BEEN DESTROYED. LOCATIONS: BN HQ AND SP COY YS 505866; B COY HORSESHOE HILL YS 4962; C COY YS 55859; D COY FSPB FLINDERS YS 5289; V COY YS 561872; W COY I ATF BASE.	
TRENTHAM YS 505866	7 NOV	1526H	4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN AO CURTIN WITH MINOR CONTACT. AT YS 529884 12 PL D COY CONTACTED 2 ENEMY WITH RESULTS 1 ENEMY KIA (BC) AND 1 AK47 CAPTURED. LOCATIONS: BN HQ AND SP COY YS 505866; B COY HORSESHOE HILL YS 4962; C COY YS 555858; D COY FSPB FLINDERS YS 5289; V COY YS 561872; W COY I ATF BASE. RECEIVED - I ATF PATROL PROGRAMME	ANNEX I ENCLOSURE 2
TRENTHAM YS 505866	8 NOV		4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN AO WATSON WITHOUT CONTACT. LOCATIONS: BN HQ AND SP COY YS 505866; B COY HORSESHOE HILL YS 4962; C COY YS 559851; D COY FSPB FLINDERS YS 5289; V COY YS 575872; W COY I ATF BASE.	
TRENTHAM YS 505866	9 NOV		4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN AO CURTIN WITHOUT CONTACT. C AND V COYS WERE REDEPLOYED BY AIR TO	

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TRENTHAM YS 505866	9 NOV (CONT)		VICINITY YS 5890. LOCATIONS: BN HQ AND SP COY YS 505866; B COY HORSESHOE HILL YS 4962; C COY YS 604914; D COY FSPB FLINDERS YS 5289; V COY YS 595904; W COY I ATF BASE.	
TRENTHAM YS 505866	10 NOV		4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN AO CURTIN WITH MINOR CONTACT.	
		0851H	AT YS 595914 3 PL V COY WERE FIRED ON BY 2-3 ENEMY. FIRE WAS RETURNED WITHOUT RESULT.	
		0939H	AT YS 595901 1 PL V COY CONTACTED 2 ENEMY WITH THE RESULT 2 NVA KIA (BC), 2 AK-47 AND 2 PACKS CAPTURED.	
		0955H	AT YS 613911 8 PL C COY CONTACTED AN ESTIMATED VC PL. THE ENEMY WITHDREW TO THE WEST ON CONTACT. 1 PL FOLLOWED UP AND THE CONTACT CONTINUED SPASMODICALLY UNTIL APPROX 1200H WITH THE FINAL RESULT OF 2 NVA KIA (BC), 2 AK-47 AND 8 PACKS CAPTURED.	
		1330H	AT YS 613909 ELEMENTS OF C COY CONTACTED GROUPS OF ENEMY WHO APPEARED TO BE RECOVERING EQUIPMENT FROM PREVIOUS CONTACT.	
			AT YS 591916 3 PL V COY FOUND A CACHE CONTAINING 3 X B40 ROCKETS, 160 LBS OF EXPLOSIVE, 1 AN/PRC 10 (COMPLETE) AND 1 10 LINE MAGNETIC EXCHANGE (COMPLETE).	
			LOCATIONS: BN HQ AND SP COY YS 505866; B COY HORSESHOE HILL YS 4962; C COY YS 613911; D COY FSPB FLINDERS YS 5289; V COY YS 592908; W COY I ATF BASE.	
TRENTHAM YS 505866	11 NOV		4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN AO CURTIN WITH MINOR CONTACT.	
		0800H	AT YS 613911 7 PL C COY CONTACTED 2 ENEMY WITH THE RESULT 1 ENEMY KIA (BC), 1 AK47, 1 CHICOM GRENADE, 1 PACK AND SOME DOCUMENTS WERE CAPTURED.	
		AT 1321	AT YS 605913 9 PL C COY CONTACTED 1 ENEMY WITH RESULT 1 ENEMY KIA (BC), 1 X M2 CARBINE AND A QUANTITY OF MEDICAL	

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TRENTHAM YS 505866	11 NOV (CONT)	1321 H	SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT AND CLOTHING CAPTURED. LOCATIONS: BN HQ AND SP COY YS 505866; B COY HORSESHOE HILL YS 4962; C COY YS 613911; D COY FSPB FLINDERS YS 5289; V COY YS 589909; W COY I ATF BASE.	
TRENTHAM YS 505866	12 NOV	1404H	4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN AO CURTIN WITH MINOR CONTACT. AT YS 613911 1 PL V COY CONTACTED AN ESTIMATED 10 ENEMY WITH RESULT 1 ENEMY WIA (BLOODTRAIL). LOCATIONS: BN HQ AND SP COY YS 505866; B COY HORSESHOE HILL YS 4962; C COY YS 613911; D COY FSPB FLINDERS YS 5289; V COY YS 589909; W COY I ATF BASE.	
TRENTHAM YS 505866	13 NOV	0857H	4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN AO CURTIN WITH MINOR CONTACT. AT YS 593914 2 PL V COY CONTACTED 2 VC WITH RESULT 1 VC PW (WOUNDED), 1 ENEMY WIA (POSS); 1 AK 47 AND 1 PACK CAPTURED.	
		0954H	AT YS 605913 9 PL C COY CONTACTED 2 ENEMY WITH RESULT 1 ENEMY KIA (BC), 1 AK47, 4 AK47 MAGAZINES AND 1 M16 BAYONET WERE CAPTURED. LOCATIONS: BN HQ AND SP COY YS 505866; B COY HORSESHOE HILL YS 4962; C COY YS 613911; D COY FSPB FLINDERS YS 5289; V COY YS 588908; W COY I ATF BASE.	
			ISSUE - DUTY COMMITMENTS.	ANNEX H ENCLOSURE 3
TRENTHAM YS 505866	14 NOV	1123H	4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN AO CURTIN WITH MINOR CONTACT. AT YS 593876 12 PL D COY ENGAGED 2 ENEMY WITH RESULT 2 ENEMY KIA (BC), 1 AK47, 2 SPADES AND A QUANTITY OF MEDICAL SUPPLIES WERE CAPTURED. LOCATIONS: BN HQ AND SP COY YS 505866; B COY HORSESHOE HILL YS 4962; C COY YS 613911; D COY FSPB FLINDERS YS 5289;	

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TRENTHAM YS 505866	14 NOV (CONT)		V COY YS 588908; W COY I ATF BASE. RECEIVED - I ATF PATROL PROGRAMME	ANNEX I ENCLOSURE 3
TRENTHAM YS 505866	15 NOV	1503H	4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN AO CURTIN WITH MINOR CONTACT. AT YS 593917 1 PL V COY CONTACTED 3 ENEMY WITH THE RESULT 1 ENEMY KIA (BC) AND 1 ENEMY WIA (BLOOD TRAIL) AND 1 AK47 CAPTURED. LOCATIONS: BN HQ AND SP COY YS 505866; B COY HORSESHOE HILL YS 4962; C COY YS 613911; D COY FSPB FLINDERS YS 5289; V COY YS 388908; W COY I ATF BASE.	
TRENTHAM YS 505866	16 NOV	0810H	4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN AO CURTIN WITH MINOR CONTACT. AT YS 584916 2 PL V COY WERE ENGAGED BY AN ESTIMATED ENEMY SQUAD WITH RESULT 1 NZ KIA AND 3 NZ WIA. A SWEEP OF THE CONTACT AREA FOUND A CAMP OF AT LEAST 20 BUNKERS. THE CAMP WAS DESTROYED. 41383 LCPL D.I. BENSEMANN KIA; 555163 2LT J.R. SHERRIFF WIA; 43152 PTE N.C. TITHER WIA; 43084 PTE V.J. LOWRY WIA. LOCATIONS: BN HQ AND SP COY YS 505866; B COY HORSESHOE HILL YS 4962; C COY YS 591907; D COY FSPB FLINDERS YS 5289; V COY YS 589917; W COY I ATF BASE.	
		0900H	VISIT - BRIG G.D. SOLOMON OBE DIRECTOR OF MILITARY TRAINING AHQ. ISSUE - ROUTINE ORDERS PART I	ANNEX H ENCLOSURE 4
TRENTHAM YS 505866	17 NOV	0900H	4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN AO CURTIN WITH MINOR CONTACT. AT YS 591917 3 PL V COY CONTACTED AN ESTIMATED 5 ENEMY WITH RESULT 2 ENEMY KIA (BC) AND 1 AK47 CAPTURED.	
		1450H	AT YS 572922 7 PL C COY CONTACTED AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY WITH THE RESULT 3 ENEMY KIA (BC) AND 2 AK47 CAPTURED.	

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TRENTHAM YS 505866	17 NOV (CONT)		AND 1 M1 CARBINE CAPTURED. IN THE AREA OF YS 592917 AND YS 588917 A SERIES OF CAMPS WITH A TOTAL OF 36 BUNKERS WERE FOUND. 1 GAS MASK, 2 GRENADES AND 1 RPG2 WERE FOUND IN THE CAMPS. LOCATIONS: BN HQ AND SP COY YS 505866; B COY HORSESHOE HILL YS 4962; C COY YS 572922; D COY FSPB FLINDERS YS 5289; V COY YS 589917; W COY 1 ATF BASE. RECEIVED - AMENDMENT TO 1 ATF PATROL PROGRAMME	ANNEX I ENCLOSURE 4
TRENTHAM YS 505866	18 NOV 68	1358H	4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN AO CURTIN WITH MINOR CONTACT. AT YS 565922 9 PL C COY CONTACTED 3 ENEMY WITH THE RESULT 1 ENEMY KIA (BC) AND 1 AK47, 6 M26 GRENADES AND A QUANTITY OF PROPAGANDA DOCUMENTS AND CLOTHING CAPTURED. AT YS 581921 3 PL V COY LOCATED A CACHE CONTAINING 300 ROUNDS OF .30 CAL AMMO, 1 CHICOM GRENADE. AT YS 585921 V COY FOUND A CACHE CONTAINING 17 LBS CHICOM TNT, 15 PAIRS PLASTIC SANDALS, 30 ROUNDS 5.56MM BALL AMMO, 1 SET WEB EQUIP. (CHICOM), 1 TRANSISTOR RADIO, 1 SET BALANCE SCALES AND 60 EMPTY FLOUR BAGS. W COY RELIEVED B COY OF THE TASK OF DEFENCE OF THE HORSESHOE FEATURE YS 4962. LOCATIONS: BN HQ AND SP COY YS 505866; B COY 1 ATF BASE; C COY YS 572922; D COY FSPB FLINDERS YS 5289; V COY YS 580920; W COY HORSESHOE HILL YS 4962.	
TRENTHAM YS 505866	19 NOV	1455H	VISIT - COL P.H.G. HAMILTON OBE COMD NZ FORCES FE 4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN AO CURTIN WITH MINOR CONTACT. AT YS 567916 8 PL C COY CONTACTED 1 ENEMY WITH RESULT 1 ENEMY KIA (BC) AND 1 X AK47 CAPTURED.	ANNEX H ENCLOSURE 5

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TRENTAM YS 505866	19 NOV (CONT)		LOCATIONS: BN HQ AND SP COY YS 505866; B COY I ATF BASE; C COY YS 572922; D COY FSPB FLINDERS YS 5289; V COY YS 580920; W COY HORSESHOE HILL YS 4962.	
TRENTAM YS 505866	20 NOV		4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN AO CURTIN WITHOUT CONTACT. LOCATIONS: BN HQ AND SP COY YS 505866; B COY I ATF BASE; C COY YS 556918; D COY FSPB FLINDERS YS 5289; V COY YS 548920; W COY HORSESHOE HILL YS 4962.	
TRENTAM YS 505866	21 NOV		4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN AO CURTIN WITHOUT CONTACT. AT YS 549919 V COY FOUND A CAMP OF 17 BUNKERS, AND 100 ROUNDS OF BAR AMMUNITION. LOCATIONS: BN HQ AND SP COY YS 505866; B COY I ATF BASE; C COY YS 551901; D COY FSPB FLINDERS YS 5289; V COY YS 547917; W COY HORSESHOE HILL YS 4962.	
			ISSUE - DECORATIONS AWARDED - MC TO 2 LT G.T. REIDY, DCM TO SGT M.R. CARROLL	ANNEX H ENCLOSURE 6
			RECEIVED - I ATF PATROL PROGRAMME	ANNEX I ENCLOSURE 5
TRENTAM YS 505866	22 NOV		4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN AO CURTIN WITHOUT CONTACT. LOCATIONS: BN HQ AND SP COY YS 505866; B COY I ATF BASE; C COY YS 557876; D COY YS 531876; V COY FSPB FLINDERS YS 5289; W COY HORSESHOE HILL YS 4962.	
TRENTAM YS 505866	23 NOV	1328H	4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN AO CURTIN WITH MINOR CONTACT. AT YS 556887 9 PL C COY CONTACTED 2 EN WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. LOCATIONS: BN HQ AND SP COY YS 505866; B COY I ATF BASE; C COY YS 557887; D COY YS 531876; V COY FSPB FLINDERS YS 5289; W COY HORSESHOE HILL 4962.	

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TRENTHAM YS 505866	24 NOV	1708H	<p>4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN AO CURTIN WITH MINOR CONTACT.</p> <p>AT YS 557887 9 PL C COY CONTACTED 2 ENEMY WITH THE RESULT 1 ENEMY KIA (BC) AND 1 AK47 CAPTURED.</p> <p>AT YS 556886 9 PL C COY FOUND A TYPEWRITER.</p> <p>LOCATIONS: BN HQ AND SP COY YS 505866; B COY I ATF BASE; C COY YS 557887; D COY YS 531876; V COY FSPB FLINDERS YS 5289; W COY HORSESHOE HILL YS 4962.</p>	
TRENTHAM YS 505866	25 NOV		<p>ISSUE - ROUTINE ORDERS PART I</p> <p>4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN AO CURTIN WITHOUT CONTACT.</p> <p>AT YS 556887 9 PL C COY FOUND A COMPLEX OF 33 BUNKERS. THE COMPLEX WAS NEWLY CONSTRUCTED AND CONTAINED 2 TRANSISTOR RADIOS AND SMALL QUANTITIES OF FOOD AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES.</p> <p>LOCATIONS: BN HQ AND SP COY YS 505866; B COY I ATF BASE; C COY YS 557887; D COY YS 523843; V COY FSPB FLINDERS YS 5289; W COY HORSESHOE HILL YS 4962.</p>	ANNEX H ENCLOSURE 7
TRENTHAM YS 505866	26 NOV	1100H	<p>VISIT - LT COL B.E.G. MILFORD.</p> <p>4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN AO CURTIN WITHOUT CONTACT.</p> <p>AT YS 562889 C COY FOUND A CAMP CONSISTING OF 14 BUNKERS. THESE AND BUNKERS IN THE AREA WERE DESTROYED.</p> <p>AT YS 560887 C COY FOUND A CACHE CONTAINING A LARGE QUANTITY OF MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES, A QUANTITY OF AMMUNITION AND DETONATORS, ONE CAMERA, ONE TRANSISTOR RADIO AND A QUANTITY OF RECEIPTS AND MEDICAL DOCUMENTS.</p> <p>LOCATIONS: BN HQ AND SP COY YS 505866; B COY I ATF BASE; C COY YS 557887; D COY YS 523843; V COY FSPB FLINDERS YS 5289; W COY HORSESHOE HILL YS 4962.</p>	

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COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

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MONTH AND YEAR... NOVEMBER 1968

REFERENCE MAP.....

UNIT/FORMATION... 4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC).....

COMMANDING OFFICER... LT. COL. L.R. GREVILLE.....

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TRENTHAM YS 505866	27 NOV		4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN AO CURTIN WITHOUT CONTACT. AT YS 558888 C COY FOUND A CACHE CONTAINING 177 AMPULES OF ASSORTED DRUGS, A QUANTITY OF MEDICAL SUPPLIES, A QUANTITY OF CLOTHING AND ONE TYPEWRITER. AT YS 521885 V COY FOUND A 1950-52 CITROEN CAR, REGISTRATION NO NVA601. LOCATIONS: BN HQ AND SP COY YS 505866; B COY I ATF BASE; C COY YS 557887; D COY YS 559848; V COY FSPB FLINDERS YS 5289; W COY HORSESHOE HILL YS 4962.	
		1425	VISIT - CAPT K.D. GRAY DFC RAN. ISSUE - 4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) RE-TRAINING PROGRAMME	ANNEX H ENCLOSURE 8
TRENTHAM YS 505866	28 NOV		4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN AO CURTIN WITHOUT CONTACT. AT YS 548886 B PL C COY LOCATED 17 BUNKERS, 4 STRUCTURES AND A LECTURE AREA. RECOVERED WERE 1 RPG2 ROUND, 1 57MM RCL ROUND AND 200 AK 47 ROUNDS. LOCATIONS: BN HQ AND SP COY YS 505866; B COY I ATF BASE; C COY YS 557887; D COY YS 559848; V COY FSPB FLINDERS YS 5289; W COY HORSESHOE HILL YS 4962. ISSUE - POST OPERATION ADMINISTRATION OP CAPITAL II RECEIVED - 1 ATF PATROL PROGRAMME ISSUE - DUTY ROSTER	ANNEX H ENCLOSURE 9 ANNEX I ENCLOSURE 6 ANNEX H ENCLOSURE 10
TRENTHAM YS 505866	29 NOV		4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) CONTINUED OPERATIONS IN AO CURTIN WITHOUT CONTACT. LOCATIONS: BN HQ AND SP COY YS 505866; B COY I ATF BASE; C COY YS 557887; D COY YS 559848; V COY FSPB FLINDERS YS 5289; W COY HORSESHOE HILL YS 4962.	

1 B P Coy-275/65-55m

Date... 2 Nov 68

4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) OPS LOG

Sheet No... 1

Serial	Time	From	To	Message or Detail	Action/Remarks
1	1915	Sp Coy	CP	Movement reported on southern side of feature. I am going to fire a DF	
2.	1917	Sp Coy	CP	Relay to G20. DF direction 2000 Right 3300 3 rounds fire for effect	S3 informed
3	1942	Sp Coy	WF	Check fire	
4	1927	Sp Coy	CP	We have some wounded. Still checking	
5	1931	Sp Coy	CP	Require Dustoff ac. 2 sitting, 1 lying. 5715453 Pte H.J. GINBEY - WIA (remainde on duty); 215647 Pte O.H. WALKER WIA; 1411346 Pte M.B. VALENTINE WIA; 6708765 Pte J.M. GOUGH WIA.	Passed to TF
6	2045	Sp Coy	CP	There were sounds of hasty movement away from where movement was heard when arty fired	Passed to TF
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7.	1649	C Coy	CP	Propose to send 8 pl to square VU and Eastern part of MP. 7 pl to investigate West of MP and south east of PT.	
8	1707	V Coy	CP	At 568869 we passed a well used VC track running North to South. Same track leads around feature where 1 pl had previous sighting. 1 pl will ambush tomorrow. Also at that loc an old resting place with dilapidated basha. Used recently, bunkers in area. Could be staging area.	
9	1713	D Coy	CP	11 pl and engrs moving to an system 3/W Coy found. Familiarize himself with area, stay 2-3 days and see if any recent movement. NO demolitions probably move through UQ, BB, GK (West) and Northwest of VB. 12 pl into IB, QI, XA via RS and EO. one day only.	
10	1905	CP	All coys	Sitrep. A. At 1330 hrs at 577879 a LFT sighted and engaged 4 VC dressed in black. Results unknown. During afternoon at 568869 V Coy located a track running North-South. The track leads around a feature where 1/V Coy had a previous sighting. B. Night locations. C Coy 563844. D Coy FSPB FLINDERS. V Coy 566869.	
11	2135	TF	CP	Possible movment of enemy forces toward route 2 tonight from East to West in 4 RAR AO. If report correct affects 4 RAR rather than 1 RAR.	Passed to CO and Coys.
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12	0827	V Coy	CP	1 pl located at 566868 a harbour area about one company first used about a month ago. NO wpn pits. Used since. NO recent use	
13	0903	D Coy	CP	12 pl found fresh footprints. Heading SW. Made after rain yesterday.	Passed to TF
14	0924	V Coy	CP	3 pl at 563875 found VC track East to West last used week ago by 2 men and ox moving East	
15	0930	C Coy	CP	Suspected bunker system at 567840. 8 pl recceing to confirm.	
16	0932	D Coy	CP	Fresh sign found by 12 pl moving West. Lost but may be picked up by 11 pl.	

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Serial	Time	From	To	Message or Detail	Action/Remarks
17	1020	V Coy	CP	3 pl is establishing ptl base at 563877	
18	1021	D Coy	CP	From 12 pl. Ref H&I 511883 negative results.	Passed to TF
19	1035	C Coy	CP	8 pl unable to located bunker system, found fresh cut trees	
20	1040	Mor OP	CP	Shiny substance 495856	
21	1045	C Coy	CP	7 pl at 556842 located North-South track used by approx 15 pers approx 3 days	
22	1500	V Coy	CP	2 pl at 562871. Recent cutting has been found also fresh spoil and heard chopping noises 200 metres West. Investigating South West. I am recalling 3 pl. Move South of present loc approx 300 metres.	Passed to TF
23	1525	V Coy	CP	2 pl will go South, then West then North, to get an idea how big it is. 3 pl will look North of area. Tomorrow will close in from North and South. 1 pl onto VC track as cutoff. Will not require chain saw and explosives until tomorrow.	Passed to TF
24	1605	C Coy	CP	We think there is something in the area of South West of MP. 8 pl found in South East of MP 100 recently cut trees majority of stump with rocks on them. A reasonably well used track leads to the South West of MP.	
25	1725	C Coy	CP	9 pl is returning to this loc he has found nothing. I feel VC are in part of VU not yet checked and 8 pl and Trackers will check this area. 7 pl will move in North West of sq VU and sloa look for a LP//CO will send you a message tonight which may cause you to modify your plan.	
26	1731	V Coy	CP	2 pl have closed up on a partially completed bunker and they can see another bunker. They appear to be unoccupied. They will continue recce then withdraw and it will be checked out properly tomorrow.	
27	1905	CP	C Coy	By night of 8/9 you are to be at PZ area 514884. Hcls morning 9 Nov. Deploy area EASY. Notify if impossible.	
28	1917	CP	V Coy	By night 8/9 you are to be at PZ D Coy loc hcls morning 9 Nov. Deploy area EASY. Notify if impossible.	
29	1934	CP	All coys	Sitrep. A. 1. At 0827 hrs at 566868 1/V Coy loc a harbour area for approx 1 coy. Not used in last month. 2. At 1500 hrs at 562871 2/V Coy found recently cut trees and fresh spoil and heard chopping. Two bunkers located and more suspected. Investigation continues. 3. At 0930 hrs 8/C Coy located approx 100 recently cut trees in area of 567840 A recently well used track leads to the South West. B. Night locations. C Coy 563844. D Coy minus FSPB FLINDERS 11 pl 547897. V Coy 564870. 3/V Coy 563872.	
30	2000	V Coy	CP	Your crypto. There will be problems: Maintdem due 6 Nov will possibly be ready this loc by then will nto be able to have pad anywhere else ready that I am aware of. In the time left it would be just a jungle bash to cover the distance (to FLINDERS) we would have achieved little. Do you know of any good pads in the area? // NO known pads in suitable range. Will try VR again tomorrow. An extension of one day would ease the situation. CO will look at LZ and if concentration available request extension of change of emphasis. You carry on with your present plan (incl Maintdem 6 Nov) and we will advise soonest.	
31	2225	TF	CP	Possible concentration of en forces in vicinity 553867. Area to be searched thoroughly.	

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Serial	Time	From	To	Message or Detail	Action/Remarks
32	5 Nov	CO	D Coy	Will you investigate the area of last night 's activity.	
33	0737	CP	TF	A. Incident report. B. 041904 H. C. 499895. D. E. F. Unknown. G. Vehicle movement heard in rubber. Engaged by arty. Movement heard again 050253 H.	WILCO
34	0749	C Coy	CP	Moving to GS 5380.	
35	0805	CP	C Coy	In view of message to V Coy at 050620 MMXX Move to SE of GS LF. OPERATE SOUTH OF NATURAL FERURE RUNNIN G NW TO SE. I will deploy you from helipad in YS 5685. Creek inclusive to V Coy. If no JOY with V Coy remain in 5585 and patrol widely from there.	
36	1000	CP	TF	A. Incident report. B. 050915. C. 505921. G. Two trucks one small timber jinker, second a small truck with a yellow hood and a tarpaulin over tray. bc by possum and felled to Cam My. Trucks given a cursory search at road xxxx check point at Cam My and allowed through. A pprox 7 or 8 males in the party.	V Coy ACK.
37	1010	CxR 1ATF	CP	Are rubber and timber getters allowed in our AOTy t he West of FSPB FLINDERS	
38	1012	C Coy	CP	8 pl IS ambushing track used by 3 persons within last 24 hours at 557853.	In d uty offic ers log
39	1025	V Coy	CP	AT 560871 astride main VC trail NS cleared 10 newly constructed bunkers. Some bunkers only partially constructed. Last used 24 hours ago by 6 or 8 persons who moved off south along trail. Possible staging post on trail rather than base camp. 2pl V Coy ambushing in that loc. Remainder at 561872 and are constructing LZ at this loc.	
40	1100	C Coy	CP	9 P1 C Coy in WESTERN portion of Grid square LF with view to ambush suitable track. In NORTH EAST of grid square NK we previously ambushed a suitable track. If no suitable track is found in GS LF can I push 9 P1 to GS NK	Yes
41	1350	V Coy	CP	Locstats: 5: 5153 GR 558871.	Passed
42	1430	C Coy	CP	Lost coms with 9 P1 on freq 46D, request CP to try and get coms on Bn Comd Net.	No luck either freq.
43	1445	V Coy	CP	Locstat: V Coy minus 2 P1: 557868 ref 6 bkrs now estimate 20 bkrs in various stages of completion.	Passed to TF
44	1515	D Coy	CP	Location of camps: 12 bkrs 549897, 10 bkrs 550896, 70 bkrs in bad state of repair 544889, 400 yds SOUTH of that loc a section of 11 P1 have found tracks and is currently investigating.	
45	1535	V Coy	CP	Locstat V Coy minus 2 P1: 549865, V Coy found nothing in suspected loc now heading NORTH.	
46	1813	CP	C V Coys	C Coy tomorrow follow pattern of movt today in part grid square 5585. After MA INTDEM move NORTH to grid square 5586 using river as your bdy. MMX River exclusive to C Coy. V Coy operate in your general area NORTH of stream and into grid square 5587. Make sure that systems, bunker systems, not destroyed are easily identified as you will have to destroy. Move also in grid square 5687. I will clear your future movements when I see you at MAINTDEM tomorrow.	

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Serial	Time	From	To	Message or Detail	Action/Remarks
47	1900	CP	C D V B	SITREP. a. At 0253 hrs at grid ref 655870 D Coy 1 RAR contacted an unk no of en with unk res. En wdr NW. At 0100 hrs an elm of ACR 6 Kilometres EAST of BLACKHORSE received an attack with Mors. At 1025 hrs at GR 560871 V Coy located 10 bkrs occupied by 6-8 pers within last 24 hrs. At 1445 hrs at GR 558871 V Coy located a bunker complex consisting of 20 bkrs in various stages of completion. Suspected en concentration area at GR 563867, if existent so far not located despite sweep by V Coy. b. 1. Ni loc. C Coy 556854 8 P1 557853, 9 P1 544861, D Coy FSPB FLINDERS, 11 P1 542885, V Coy 551869, 2 P1 561872, 2. Ni loc 1 RAR A Coy 625880, B Coy 612891, C Coy FSPB LION, D Coy 655870.	
48	2030	D Coy	C P	Digging and cutting heard by 11 P1. After area engaged by Arty noises stopped. 11 P1 will investigate ASP tomorrow.	
49	0100	V Coy	CP	2 P1 V Coy reports 2 RPG rds fired from approx 500 metres to their NE in the general vicinity. Other rounds passed over their position impacted to the SE of V Coy loc. Shrapnel in V Coy loc. No cas. Engaging area to NORTH of 2 P1 loc with Arty now.	Passed to TF
50	0636	V Coy	CP	Incident report. A. Incident. B. 060100 hrs. C. Approx 5632875. D. Not kn own. E. Not known but 2 RPG rds in SOUTHERLY direction. F. Not known. G. Not known. H. Area shelled.	
	<u>6 Nov</u>				
51	1229	V Coy	C P	Ref no of RPG rds it was 3 not 2.	
52	1445	V Coy	CP	For SUNRAY. 1. Will search NZ SOUTH WEST of LV and EZ on the 6th and 7th. In morning of 8th 2 P1 plus tracker P1. 2 P1 will remain out these nights. LV was covered by C Coy in last phase. 2. Will search in JN with 1 P1. 3. To complete demolitions in what has been found so far on 6th. 4. Will search balance of JD and EZ on morning of 8th. 5. Maintdem for period 10th and 12th to be taken evening of 8th.	Passed to TF
53	1704	C Coy	CP	Would you give the creek in XXXX the NORTH of EV and DS inclusive to C Coy. To go to creek line but not across it. 9 P1 located track running WEST to EAST not used since last month, also found resting place used in last week. Suspect there may be an en camp on creek NORTH of EV, DS.	
54	1750	V Coy	CP	V Coy complete in ni loc, 1 P1 V Coy destroyed 4 bkrs in a 7 bkr posn at YS556869. Remaining 3 only partly built. Returning to same area tomorrow.	
55	1901	CP	All Coys	SITREP. A. At 0100 hrs 2 P1 V Coy reported 3 RPG rds were fired at their posn. All rds impacted outside the perimeter. Area was engaged by Arty. Friendlies contacted an unk number of VC in grids 5395 and 5596 today. Results not available. 200 VC reported in area 543045 at 1830 hrs. Direction of movt unk. B. 1. Ni loc, C Coy 555859. 7 P1 556853. D Coy FSPB FLINDERS, 11 P1 551898. V Coy 561872. 2. Ni locs 1 RAR. A Coy 633884, B Coy 612891, C Coy FSPB LION, D Coy 655870. C. As a result of strenuous effort by XXX Ech C Coy received bread rolls.	

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Serial	Time	From	To	Message or Detail	Action/Remarks
56	0759	D Coy	CP	Today Ptl to move into grid square RS returning through IB and possibly EG depending on time. Also 11 P1 requires resup of rats which I am holding in this loc, he has enough to last him till tomorrow night.	
57	0952	TF	CP	Present system of SIOUX tasking will remain indefinitely.	
58	1044	V Coy	CP	Locstat 1 P1: 551871 they have found nothing and are moving back to the bkrs	
59	1350	C Coy	CP	8 P1 at GR 546864 are being followed up by friendlies possibly V Coy. Check with V Coy	Passed to TF
60	1410	C Coy	CP	Swth 8 P1 . Ambushing for 30 mins and then moving on.	
61	1527	D Coy	CP	Contact 12 P1. No details.	
62	1609	D Coy	CP	A. Contact report 12 P1. B. 071526H . C. 529884. D. 2 VC. E. LF. F. 1 VC KIA (BC), 1 AK47 plus some other gear which 12 P1 will bring to base. G. 1 VC wdr EAST. Both groups checking tracks, fld elm 12 P1 saw and shot first VC, second VC returned fire and withdrew.	
63	1730	CP	C D V	Wng O. Deploy from PZ order into block posn area EASY. O gp this loc 081400 hrs. SUNRAYS ready for pick-up 30 mins prior to that time in order C, V, D. Lift figures for C Coy and V Coy by 0900 hrs.	
64	1910	CP	All Coys	SITREP. A. At GR 5896 an elm of VN came under attack from an estimated VC Bn armed with SA and Mors. Attack lasted 3 hours and air strikes were employed. Results VC cas unk, friendly cas 1 KIA, 15 WIA. At 1355 hrs at GR 548864 8 P1 found tracks for 15 pers moving EAST to WEST 2 hrs earlier. During the day elms of 11 ACR contacted a small party of en resulting in 2 PW captured at GR 497007. At GR 487000 elms of 11 ACR contacted an unk number of en in a squad sized bunker complex resulting in 1 VC KIA (BC). At 1526 hrs at GR 529884 12 P1 contacted 2 LF VC, resulting in 1 VC KIA (BC), 1 AK 47 captured other VC withdrew WEST. B. 1. Ni locs. C Coy 555859, 7 P1 556853, D Coy FSPB FLINDERS, 11 P1 539895, V Coy 561872, 2 P1 561879. 2. Ni locs 1 RAR. A Coy 633884, B Coy 615893, C Coy FSPB LIONS, D Coy 650855.	
	<u>8 Nov</u>				
65	1850	CP	All Coys	SITREP. A. At 081209 hrs at GR 660872 12 P1 1 RAR contact ed 2 LF VC carrying AK47s results unk. B. 1. Locstats. C Coy 558851, 7 P1 557853, D Coy FSPB FLINDERS, 10 P1 511922, V Coy 561872, 2. Locstats 1 RAR. A Coy 645891, B Coy 617895, C Coy FSPB LIONS, D Coy 656861.	
66	2300	TF	CP	Info received tonight from good intelligence place your elms close to en concentration NORTH of LAM XUAN. Int report approx 80 rfts have now arrived this area.	

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Serial	Time	From	To	Message or Detail	Action/Remarks
83	1145	CCoy	CP	8 pl now has 2 VC KIA BC.	
84	1200	V Coy	CP	3 pl V Coy moving South East with emphasis on South I intend to adopt following general layout until further recce complete. H.Q. 593907 1 pl 593914 2 pl 595904.	
85	1210	C Coy	CP	Contact. B. 100955H C. 613909 D. P1 strength E. NVA green pith helmets, one NV shirt with square collar F. 2KIA BC 8 packs, 2 AK47 G. West along track.	
86	1300	V Coy	CP	Loc 3 pl. 5 91916 Found a cache containing 3 B 40 rounds, 3 rocket propellents cylinders 64 lbs explosive in slabs similar to TNT.	
87	1315	V Coy	CP	3 pl add to cache PRC10 set 96 lbs explosive 1, 41 set with accessories 1, 10 line magnito complete with accessories.	
88	1329	C Coy	CP	Contact C Coy, 8 pl details yo follow	
89	1334	C Coy	CP	* VC moving East to West on track, sentry fired at enemy, thinks he wounded him, enemy wdr S E.	
90	1344	C Coy	CP	4 VC seen coming from SW to pick up packs dropped in contact. Seen just as they put on packs and withdrew SW, 2 minutes later, another VC moved down track EAST to WEST engaged by sentry - probably wounded, 8pl currently sweeping.	Passed to TF
91	1349	V Coy	CP	3/V Coy think they have completed search of area. Will carry all gear back to V Coy loc. Backload in about 2 hours time. One pl will remain Current coy loc to handle OPDEM.	
92	1405	C Coy	CP	A. Sighting B. 101325H, C GR 613909, D 4. E assumed part of group contacted by 8 pl earlier. F. NIL. G. SW. H En appeared to be recovering packs from contact/sighting withdrew SW, not engaged.	Passed to TF
93	1408	C Coy	CP	A. contact 8 pl B. 101330H C. 613909 D. 1 E. Assumed part of group contacted earlier F. 1 WIA (poss) G. EAST.	
94	1422	C Coy	CP	Track - Runs EAST - WEST well used both directions, sign to EAST shows group moving EAST - WEST within last 2 hrs approx pl strength (8 pl contact) then moved back WEST to EAST or 8 pl hit group in centre and split them. Estimate 15 or 20 VC. INTENTIONS - when 7 and 8 pl return, moving to NORTH to cut track and ambush. 8 x packs contained some docus. Packs and eqpt being destroyed. Docus held for eventual back load.	
95	1745	CP	C V Coys	Future intentions. V Coy, 2 P1 move 400 metres into YP tomorrow morning. HQ and 3 P1 remain in present loc and will deploy if required. C Coy - HQ and 8 P1 remain present loc, 7 P1 move SE approx 200 metres (general comment by SUNRAY C Coy - in the maze of tracks in the area, there is one which is blazed in both directions, this is the one I intend to cover if possible. NVA are obviously on the move and are carrying large packs with cooked food)	
96	1800	LO4/12Inf	1 ATF	INTREP. A usually reliable source states - a Bn sized unit is located in vicinity 425 551893. En unable to move because of friendly operations. Info does not have a date time classification. But within last 24 hrs, US evaluation B3.	
97	1845	CDV Rear	CP	SITREP. A. 1. At 0851 hrs at GR 595914 3 P1 V Coy contacted 2-3 VC with neg results. 2. At 0939 hrs at GR 595904 1 P1 V Coy contacted 2 MF or NVA, results 2 MF KIA (BC) 2 x AK47 and 2 packs captured. 3. At 0955 hrs at GR 613909 8 P1 C Coy contacted a P1 of NVA, results 2 NVA KIA (BC) 2 AK47 and 8 packs captured. 4.	

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97 cont				4. At 1240 hrs at GR 640932 5 P1 B Coy 1 RAR contacted 2 VC with neg results. 5. At 1300 hrs in vicinity of GR 591916 3 P1 V Coy found 2 caches containing 3 RPG-7 rds, 160 lbs of VC explosives, 1 x PRC 10 radio set, 1 x 10 line swb. 6. At 1325 hrs at GR 613909 8 P1 C Coy sighted 4 en moving SW. En not engaged. 7. At 1330 hrs at GR 613909 8 P1 C Coy contacted 1 MF en, results 1 MF WIA (POSS), en withdrew EAST. 8. At 1605 hrs at GR 568963 ARVN contacted unk no of en, results 9 friendlies WIA, en cas unk. B. 1. Locstats, C Coy 613911, 9 P1 605913, D Coy FSPB FLINDERS, 10 P1 505920, V Coy 592908, 3 P1 V Coy 594904, 2. 1 RAR, A Coy 644905 C Coy FSPB LION,	
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98	0820	C Coy	CP	7 P1 now moving through area en fired on. Photo captured yesterday, Officer - collar patches - L to R X bars. Sword and then 2 Stars. Coloured epaulette boards. Star on hat. Can you help with rank? Small passport type photograph, not one of the VC killed.	
99	0850	C Coy	C P	7 P1 has swept contact area and found 1 VC KIA (BC).	Passed to TF
100	0941	C Coy	CP	A. Contact 7 P1. B. 110800 hrs. C. GR 613911. D. 2. E. MF. F. 1 KIA (BC) 1 AK47, 1 cooking pot, 1 pack with CHICOM gren, small qty of docus and photos, US water bottle and mug, qty of clothing. G. NORTH.	
101	1022	CP	TF	Request your opportunity task OC 1 Fd Sqn to FSPB LION from FSPB TRENTHAM.	Farewell visit to unit.
102	1225	C Coy	CP	Ref reported movement 1 VC approached perimeter from SOUTH, sighted briefly, 8 P1 swept area, nothing found.	
103	1232	TF	CP	Allocated DS Possum 24 24, will arrive in 15 mins in your loc.	
104	1322	C Coy	CP	Contact 9 P1. 1 VC walking along track EAST to WEST. A. Contact 9 P1. B. 111321H. C. GR 605913. D. 1. E. LF dressed in black. F. 1 KIA (BC), 1 M2 carbine captured. G. Nil.	
105	1429	C Coy	CP	We now have 3 large cooking pots, 1 collected in each contact. In the main, VC seem to be carrying a small qty of rice, not sufficient to warrant the size of the pot. S UNRAY considers they are Rear Services Personnel who are prepared to cook for a large party.	
106	1535	C Coy	CP	I have 3 men with MALARIA. Dangerous to winch, and would jeopardise mission. Is it alright for STARLIGHT to give them other aspirin? // To be treated in situ	Aspirin best available treatment
107	1748	CP	C V Coys	C Coy; 7 P1 and trackers remain as mobile force, 9 P1 remain in ambush, HQ and 8 P1 remain current loc. Would like Possum to indicate nearest LZ. V Coy; Same problem as C Coy, 6 to be evacuated. All three P1s on likely tracks. 1 P1 small numbers.	No handy LZ winch when required.
108	1830	C Coy	CP	Referring to VC KIA 7 P1 contact - VC khaki, black bush hat, improvised pack, US water bottle, VC type basic webbing containing 3 AK47 mags. Pack contained clothing etc as given in contact report - was carrying NVA money, photo showed NVA uniforms and persons.	

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124	1715	D Coy	CP	Loc 12 pl 525873	
125	1725	CP	C Coy	Tin Trunks C Coy continue for next 2-3 days, same pattern of ops, should you need to move exercise caution and let targets come to you Will notify you for maitdems in due course. V Coy same pattern of ops 3 pl wil remain with me . CSs to move slowly in the area as I feel en are not using tracks. Have a suspicion that a camp is in general vic of 586908 based on that stream.	
126	1740	CP	D Coy	TIN TRUNKS. 12 pl move further East concentrating on feature to NE then feature in CO 11 pl IB, LJ MM, OP, will be checked tomorrow. 12 pl posing a med problem, if things deteriorate will divert 11 pl into that area and recall 12 pl .	
127	1810	CP C Coy	V Coy	Ensure you take sufficient rations next maitdem to see you through to evening meal SUN 17 NOV or breakfast MON.	
128				SITREP Alpha. One. Between 0545 and approx 0700 at 645956 friendlies contacted VC clearing patrol, followed up and were contacted by reported two coys. Friendlies heavy RPG attack reported as 200 rounds. Results 17 VC KIA BC by advisor, 1 friendly KIA and 12 WIA. TWO. At 1110 hrs at 654912 B Coy 1RAR contacted 1 en . No results , en wdr North. Three At 1404 hrs at 589909 CH.Q. V Coy contacted 10 probable MF en dressed in greens and packs and carrying an item suspected to be a mortar aiming post. The enemy split into two groups. One group wdr NE and the second wdr E. When enemy appeared to be avoiding the use of trails Results . 1 VC WIA (blood trail). Bravo. One. Ni locs XXXXXXXXXXXX 3-33 613911 . 33. 605913 4-43 FSPB FLINDERS 43. 525873. 5-52 589908. 52. 593914. Two. Ni locs IRAR. 1. 644906 . 2. 637905. 3. FSPB LION . 4. 654859.	

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129	0901	Arty	CP	Ground Clearance 594919- Previously DF.	
130	0904	V Coy	CP	1VC entered 2 pl from West- East on track moving cautiously possibly a forward scout. Subsequently 2 pl were fired on from the West indicating more VC.	Clera
131	0904	V Coy	CP	1VC entered ambush and were allowed through. When he got to far end ambush sprung. Only other VC involved who fired then fled West. VC in ambush WIA and fled East. Follow By 63 shortly.	
132	0904	V Coy	CP	Group following blood trail have heard movements----later PW 1 pack 1AK47.	
133	0939	CP	TF	A. Contact. B. 130857H. C. 593914. D. 2. 1 dressed in black webbing. E. Probably LF. F. 1VC PW WIA. 1 pack 1AK47 G. 1VC entered ambush from West - East 2 pl let VC move almost through before engaged, in attempt to get as many as possible into killing ground. When contact opened up second VC opened up from West. Follow up of blood trail from 1st VC led to capture.	
134	0950	C Coy	CP	2VC moving East ---West. VC wdr East. May have 1 VC ---Sweeping.	
135	0950	CP	TF	Casevac (PW) Request 594914 time 1030 2pl V Coy freq 55X tree height 30 ft. Escorts to be provided by TF HQ PW has SHRAPNEL wounds to legs.	
136	1020	C Coy	CP	A. Contact. 9 PL. B. 130942H C. 605913. D. 2. E. RF., new webbing F. 1VC KIA BC 1x AK47, 4 AK 47 mags, 1 x AR15 bayonet. G. 2 VC approached from East --West engaged at 15 metres. 2nd VC wdr East.	
137	1107	CP	TF	PW evac and medevac from 2 pl Loc completed	
138	1144	D Coy	CP	12 pl found fresh tracks 1 day old. Movement to south. How many and is a follow up intended	
139	1305	Jade 2	CP	Loc 12 pl 533875 Found fresh for approx 14 heading South---North on well used track. Will ambush.	Passed to ARTY.
140	1500	CP	C Coy	You will receive 5 re - inforcements from LION, And possibly 6 from Nui Dat. You will get interpreter you had before, initials "Q"	
141	1613	CP EXEC	C Coy	Ref friendlies to our North. What is situation?	
142	1730	CP	3,4,5,	V Coy-- After resup, vary locs of ambushes. After resup V Coy move into YP. Water could be a problem. V Coy sending out 10 soldiers and getting in 5.	
143	1858			C Coy 9 pl present log. After maltdem 8 pl replace 9 pl in ambush. C Coy minus 8 pl to remain concentrated tomorrow night. SITREP. Alpha. One. At 0857 hrs at 513914 2 pl V Coy contacted 2 LF VC dressed in black and webbing. result 1 VC PW WIA, 1 VC WIA (poss). Two. At 0942 hrs at 605913 9 pl contacted 2 RF VC. Results 1 VC KIA BC. Three.	

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143 contd				At 1645 hrs at 66187212pl D cCoy contacted 2 VC with negative results. Bravo. One. NI locs C Coy - 9 pl 613911. 9 pl 605913. D Coy - 12 pl A t FSPB FLINDERS 12 pl at 533876 V Coy-- 2 pl 588908 2 pl at 591907. Two. ni locs of 1 RAR & Coy 645906 2 pl & T34 at 646909. B. C oy637905 C Coy LION D Coy 654859.	
144	1915	MOR	CP	Ground clearances 517843, 509841, 517854, 522863.	Clear Ground This c/s
145	1930	TF	C P	PW captured by 2 pl V Coy was VC ammo carrier (C3 , D440) Coy strength 30 . Main weapons 2x 81 mm Mors with 20 rounds. Remainder of unit approx 30 minutes on foot West of capture. VR negative result.	
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146	1928	C C oy	CP	Intentions. C Coy & 7 pl remain present loc. 8 pl move to ambush 605913, 9 pl to East for day only.	Passed 1 ATF
147	1929	V Coy	CP	Intentions. REmain in general area of your pad elithout moving too far away. After resup move North.	
148	1932	D Coy	CP	Intentions. 11 pl out tomorrow to CO & VB. D Coy FSPB FLINDERS.	
148	0758	TF	CP	Commd will be in your loc at 1015 hrs.	
149	1129	D coy	CP	12 pl in contact	
150	1134	D Coy	CP	Sunray due to go r & c Tonight . I s it okay? No objections.	
151	1145	D Coy	CP	2 en approached from North. Did not enter ambush . Became suspicious. MG opened fire & claymore fired. Sweeping, Result of sweep 2 VC KIA . Suspect Another enemy wdr North	
15XXXXX	† 217	CP	1 ATF	A. Contact, 12 pl . B. 141125Hrs. C. 533876 D. Confirmed suspect more. E. LF 1st Male, Green pants ,black shirt AK47, 2nd woman unarmed, carrying penecillin drugs and 2 x spades Dressed in black 16- 18 yrs. F. 2 VC KIA BC G. North to South Remainder wdf North.	
153	1224	55	CP	Commd 1 ATF not visiting Until late t oday.	
154	1250	D Coy	CP	12 pl will have to move due to evidence left in area. Also has one soldier peetty sick. Decision shortly as to wether 12 pl to return with soldier. Later 12 pl returning and depending on time of return Will govern Whether or not 11 pl 153 told wil moveout today to replace.	
155	1303	CP	C&V	Confirm your pads complete And they will take a Possum. V Coy - LP completed-- No Possum. C Coy Still working Another hour . OK for albatross & Possum maybe.	

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156	1542	TF	CP	Is it convenient for Commd to visit your Sunray at 1630 hrs	Yes																																								
157	1845	CP	1 ATF	For Seagull from Seagull. Your Sunray wishes to see our Sunray c/s 7. Request advise time after 0830.																																									
158	1855	CP	C,D,B,	SITREP.Alpha. 1.At0730 hrs at 661871. 12 pl 1 RAR was fired on by a claymore , but receives no casualties. 2.At 1145 hrs at 533896 , 12 pl c ontacted 2 LF VC dressed in black. Results 2 VC KIA BC 1 x AK47 and some medical supplies captured. 3. At1235 hrs at GR 635965 friendlies contacted an enemy squad resulting in 1x AK47 captured. 4. At 1240 hrs at GR 652938 friendlies located a Bn size base camp. Here 1 VC female was contacted resulting in 1 VC KIA (BC). BRAVO. 1. Locs. C Coy 613911, D Coy FLINDERS, V Coy 588908, 2 P1 591907. 2. Locs 1RAR, A Coy 645906, B Coy 637905, C Coy LION, D Coy 654859.																																									
159	15 NOV 1020	CP	3.4.5.	LP Details----locs approximate WD = with development. <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>LOC (1)</th> <th>TYPB (2)</th> <th>CAPACITY (3)</th> <th>REMARKS (4)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>552909 j</td> <td>LP</td> <td>1</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>561905</td> <td>WP</td> <td>3</td> <td>3 Albatross LP WD.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>569901</td> <td>LP</td> <td>1</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>575907</td> <td>WP</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>575912</td> <td>WP</td> <td></td> <td>3 WP in area about 300 metres.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>578917</td> <td>WP</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>566913</td> <td>WP</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>570923</td> <td>WP</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>557930</td> <td>LZ</td> <td>5</td> <td>1 Albatross WD.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	LOC (1)	TYPB (2)	CAPACITY (3)	REMARKS (4)	552909 j	LP	1		561905	WP	3	3 Albatross LP WD.	569901	LP	1		575907	WP			575912	WP		3 WP in area about 300 metres.	578917	WP			566913	WP			570923	WP			557930	LZ	5	1 Albatross WD.	
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160	1412	C Coy	CP	Possum depart this loc now.																																									
161	1430	C Coy	CP	8 pl is out of my AO.Do not believe he is so far over. He is on an excellent , well , used track, used in last 48 hrs If this is OK, I would like to leave him in ambush in that area. No problems with V Coy. WATER. C Coy may use creek in V Coy AO for water.Remaining 1000 meters behind V Coy to avoid patrol clashes and allow room for ARTY manouvre.																																									
162	1553	CP	1ATF	A. Contact. by 1 pl V Coy B. 151503H C. 593917. D. XXX 3 possibly more (squad size) E. (to be notified) LF black jacket, blue trousers, webbing. F. 1 KIA BC 1 MIA (blood trail) 1 AK 47 G. East to West Well dispersed 15 - 20 metres intervals. Blood trail wdr East.																																									

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163	1605	V Coy	CP	2 pl move early tomorrow morning with c/s 63. Can Trojan and handler be bought forward from LION this evening 1 x Albatross on standby at LION, contact Sunray c/s 95B to arrange through ATOLL to do this tasking if unable to do this then will use Possum SITREP. Alpha. At 1505 hrs at GR 593917 c/s 51 contacted an estimatrd 5 LF VC resulting in 1 VC KIA (BC). En wdr East. Bravo. NI locs. C Coy- 8 pl 613911. 8 pl 599911 D Coy- 11 pl FLINDERS 11 pl 532876 . V coy588908. Two NI locs 1 RAR A Coy 645906 B Coy637905 C Coy 650813 D Coy 654859.	
164	1855	CP	D Coy	Mors will be firing H & I From TRENTHAM in Period160510H and 160542H West of your 11 pl.	
165	1905	C P	OC D Coy	Ref NO FIRE ZONE. NO set timings.SA as d iscussed(ie) (positive ident)Arty all requested through hre	(to ARTY TCC)
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165	0724	C Coy	CP	L oc 8 pl 601912 and has located some rice stands and a small cache. Further details when available.	Passed
166	0810	V Coy	CP	2 pl in contact.	
167	0830	V Coy	CP	DUSTOFF. A. Dustoff B. 2 pl C. 584916. D. ASP. E. Urgent. F. 3 WIA , 1 KIA. G. GSW. H. NZ. I. 55X. J. Smoke. K. ok . L. to be notified. M. yes X 3. N. on standby.	
168	0835	V Coy	CP	2 pl has hitb a pretty fair sized group by the volume of fire at 584915. 3 cas ,encl S/R 2 pl . Moving up with 3 pl Request LFT on standby at LION.	
169	0850	V Coy	CP	1 KIA I GSW R. Leg IGSW R .Arm I shrap LT	Cas details passed.
170	0852	V Coy	CP	Estd squad -- AK 47 plus M.G. Headed NNW when contact broke	
171	0950	CP	V Coy	Ready for dustoff. Delay while we find the light fire team.	Passed 1 ATF.
172	1010	V Coy	CP	Sitrep.Ptl moving West when enemy engaged from immediate ambush position approx 10 weapons incl1XMG engaged 2 pl. leading scout shot 1 VC . Enemy fire caused cas and was effective on leading elements and HQ 2 pl . Following section swept to West, after ARTY fire had finished. Enemy withdrew NW firing as they went, area has many signs could kd indicate camp. 2pl will investigate area after DUSTOFFcomplete. 3 pl sweeping area.	Passed
173	1045	V Coy	CP	A. Contact 2 pl. B. 160810H. C. 584916. D. Squad. E. Not known. F. NIL G. NW.	Passed
174	1046	V Coy	CP	Dustoff complete.	Passed.
175	1100	87	X&P TF	HELPER CAKES20 has found large enemy base camp and ammo cacheat 632982	
176	1110	83	TF	Those people who found the camp are now in contact. Slight contact SA and B40.	
177	1111	83	TF	Cache contains over 100 B 40 rounds and numerous grenades. Grenades not yet counted.	
178	1158	CP	TF	Holdfast personnelFrom 5 pl B Coy for over V Coy loc to bring 4 day's rations200 lb TNT , 500 ft det cord.	
179	1200	CP	D Coy	Stand by for mov of 10 pl.could start shortly wil call HQat PZ and c/s 5C at LZ. Ensure 11 pl is with you tonight.	
180	1247	V Coy	CP	3 pl and 50 A back in this location.	
181	1300	D Coy	CP	Lift out 10 pl complete.	
182	1313	V Coy	CP	Weapons of wounded personnelhave been backloaded on Albatross.	
183	1322	V Coy	CP	Holdfast insertion complete.	Passed to TF.

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184	1540	1RAR	TF	C/S 13 incontact 693854. Recce party from 13 contacted 5 VC who wdr South. Neg results. Have found to our North a large unoccupied camp, and to our East a further 20 bunkers. Will require some explosives. Signs of oxen tethered and grazed. They have been moving on the tracks. No sign of ox carts. 1. 17 bunkers at 584917 2. 20 bunkers between 586918 & 587917. 3. Unk no of bunkers North of stream 587919----A large camp area. 4. One to Two day old sign of oxen on track and 0 camps 5. 2 major tracks East--West. Stream in this area. 6. Intend blowing camp in this loc tomorrow, then secure and demolish second camp later. 7. C/S 41 to investigate across stream tomorrow.	
185	1610	V Coy	CP		
186	1648	V Coy	CP		
187	1706	V Coy	CP		
188	1745	C Coy	CP	Looking at XV-- will probably have to go onto stream in QB to get water. C Coy will look at North of PY on the way. Sitrep. A. AT 0724 hrs at 601912 32 located a cache containing 400 lbs of rice. 2. At 0810 hrs at 584916 c/s 52 was contacted by a squad resulting in 1 own KIA and 3 own WIA. Eny wdr North West. 3. At 1100 hrs at 622003 friendlies located a large enemy camp and cache containing 100 X RPG rounds, a large qty of SA ammo, grenades and rice. AT 1111 hrs friendlies located a large enemy group in a camp armed with SA and RPG's. AT 1535 hrs the contacted still continued resulting in 2 VC KIA and 2 ARVN WIA. At 1540 the contacted still continued in the camp and more material was being found. 4. At 1110 hrs vicinity 584916 C/S 53 located a large enemy camp consisting of 17 bunkers. At 1610 hrs a further 20 bunkers were found. Both camps being destroyed tomorrow. 5. At 1530 hrs at 689885 friendlies contacted a VC squad resulting in 1 ARVN KIA. 6. At 1540 hrs at 693854 c/s 13 1RAR contacted 5 LF VC dressed in black. Neg results. B. Locs 1. C Coy 591907. D Coy less 10 pl FLINDERS. V Coy plus 10 pl 584917.	Passed.
1841	1841	CP	3.4.5.0B.		
190	2308	D Coy	CP	X2xxxxxxRARxx Sentry on perimeter heard a digging, scraping noise. Could be an animal noise, stopped when sentry moved. WE will put up a flare. Neg results.	
191	0745	V Coy	CP	Ref Message about camps and their locs. Correct locs to read. 1st loc 588917 2nd loc 592919 3rd loc 592918 4th loc suspected 588918 3 pl in contact. 1 VC KIA BC 2 packs recovered.	
192	0910	V Coy	CP	A. Contact 3 pl. B. 170900H C. 591917. D. Est 5 VC. Only 1 VC seen carrying weapon E. LF dressed in green and black. F. 1 VC KIA BC 2 X packs recovered. G. East-- West. 3 pl located a blood trail quite heavy going East then North. A. Incident b. 3 pl. b. 171009h C. 591919 D. 1 VC LF dressed in green and black. E. 1 VC KIA 1X SKS & grenades. F. C/S 63 escorted by C/S 53 following up blood trail. Dog located enemy who was dead as result of C/s 53 contact.	RE Serial 187.
193	0910	V Coy	CP		
194	0927	V Coy	CP		
195	0938	V Coy	CP		
196	1020	V Coy	CP		passed
197	1145	V Coy	CP	A. Requesting permission to shift trg area due to enemy activity. The enemy on 15th Nov landed in pad	Passed

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198	1240	V COY	CP	<p>MOVING EAST IN TWO PARTIES & PASSED WITHIN 500 M OF CAMP ON 15TH NOV. B DATED THIS DAY REQUESTING 1 X FE C. COURSE REPORTS FOR THREE PERSONS. 1 X ENGINEER. STUDIED UPON HANDLING, TACTICS, CHARACTER. VC ADDRESSES SAME AS LETTER. UNIT CI IS MENTIONED IN A LETTER FROM 13.</p> <p>A. INSTALLATION REPORT. B. BUNKER CAMP. C. 160900H D. 588917. E. 19 BUNKERS NO TRENCHES. F. COY G. 16 NW H. 1 GAS MASK 1 X VC GRENADE 50 RDS 7.62 LONG BALL 2 X BUNKERS. I. E, NW, S, A MAJOR VC TRAIL PASSES EAST J. NO K. WATERPOINT ON STREAM TO EAST OF CAMP A. INSTALLATION REPORT. B. BUNKER C. 150851 H D. BETWEEN 592917 & 592918 ASTRIDE STREAM E. 14 BUNKERS ON SOUTH BANK. 5 ON NORTH BANK F. COY G. 2-3 WEEKS H. 1 X RPG ROUND 1 X VC GRENADE (DESTROYED) I. NE, E, W. EAST TRAIL MAJOR VC TRACK, THE WEST LINKS THE TWO CAMPS. THE NE MEETS A MINOR VC TRAIL AT 591919. J. NIL K. DEMOLITIONS IN PROGRESS.</p>	
199	1310	V COY	P	<p>A. MEDEVAC. B. C / S 12. C. 589917 D. ASP E. PRIORITY E. 1 X SITTING G. ANKLE TWISTED H. NZ I. 33U V COY J. SMOKE K. OK L. SECURE M. YES JUNGLE PENETRATION CANOPY 50 FT.. BLACKLOAD 1 X VC RIFLE.</p>	
200	1347	IATF	CP	ALBATROSS/S 04 APPROX 15 OUT OF YOUR LOC.	
201	1405	V COY	CP	C/S 41 PERSON HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN AN ACCIDENT. HE WILL GET PARTI CULARS ASP	
202	1410	IATF	CP	CONFIRM NUMBER OF PERSONS BEING EVATTUATEDON DUSTOFF. C ₂ /// V COY HAVE JUST HAD AN ACCIDENT IN THEIR LOC	
203	1412	V COY	CP	MEDEVAC HAS A BROKEN THIGHN AND WILL REQUIRE A LITTER..	
204	1435	V COY	CP	3 PL MEMBER SAW MOVEMENT IN THE VICINITY OF 10 PL AND ENGAGED THE REA. THEM EMBER HAD BEEN WARNED OF THE PRESEN CE OF 10 PL BUT THE MOVEMENT DID NOT SEEM TO FIT THE CIRCUMSTANCES.	
205	1453	C COY	CP	7 PL IN COTTACT.	
206	1457	C COY	CP	7 PL WAS APPROACHED BY 2 VC ON TRACK FROM WEST. THEY THINK THEY HAVE 1 VC. SWEEPING NOW. PERHAPS UP TO 5 VC ADJUSTING ARTY ON WDR ROUTE. 7 PL USING FIRE AND MOVEMENT, CLEARING DOWN TRACK.	
207	1545	C COY	CP	FURTHER CONTACT 7 PL THIS TIME TO THE EAST. ONE VC APPROACHED PERIMETER FROM EAST SHOT BY SENTRY. ONE VC KIA BC REMAINDER OF 7 PL STILL SWEEPING CONTA CT AREA.	
208	1558	C COY	CP	TOTAL NOW 3 VC KIA BC TWO FROM FIRST CONTACT. (WEST) SWEEPFINISHED THERE. SE COND CONTACT IVC SWEEP CONTINUES.	
209	1650	C COY	CP	A. CONTACT. B. 171450 H. C. 572922. D. UNK NO OF ENEMY FROM WEST. LATER ONE VC APPROACHED FROM EAST E. RF DRESSED IN KHARKI GREEN BLACK MIXTURE. F. 3 VC KIA 2 X AK47, 1 X MI CARBINE 1 X MI MAGS, 8 X AK47 MAGS, 2 X VC TYPE GRENADES, 3 X SETS BASIC WEBBINGG. UNKNOWN NUMBER FROM WEST TO EAST ALONG TRACK. WDR WEST. IVC APPROACHED 7 PLMO MOVING FROM EAST. H. THE 3 VC WERE NOT CARRYING PACKS OR FOOD. ENEMY MOVING OFF IN DIRECTIONS ALONG RECENTLY MADE TRACK. FROM SUNRAY. INTENTIONS. NO INFO TO IMFLUENCE YOUR MOVES. V COY HAVE FINISHED. WILL MOVE NW THEN WEST. BY END OF DAY MOVE TO NOTTH OF C COY'S PRESENT LOC. MOVE CLOSE TO C COY TO ALLOW ARTY FLEXIBILITY. THINK MAIN TRAIL OF NORTH BANK OF STREAM. WILL HAVE DUSTOFFEARLY TOMORROW MORNING. C COY. WISH TO REMAIN THIS LOC. ONE GROUP TO GO TO QB, WC. THE OTHER TO XV, ZY. PROBLEM FOR ARTY AND WATERING IF V COY AND MYSELF ARE TOO CLOSE.	PASSED
210	1802	CP	3,4,5,		

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211	1910	OA	3,4,5, 08	SITREP. A. 1. AT 0835 HRS AT 618886. FRIENDLIES LOCATED A CACHE CONTAINING A C75 IN CENDARY GRENADES 5 X RIFLE GRENADES 100 X ASSORTED SIGNAL PARTS, 55 X GALLS PETROL. 2. AT 0900 HRS C/S 53 AT 5 91917 CONTACTED 5 LF VC IN A CAMP. RESULTS 2 VC KIA BC. VC WITHDREW EAST. 3. 0925 HRS AT 694839 C/S 2 1 RAR CONTACTED 3 LF VC DRESSED IN GREEN WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. 4. AT 1130 HRS AT 663890 AN ENGINEER REPAIR FACTORY WAS LOCATED CONTAINING 1 X FLARE PISTOL, 116 LBS TNT, 100 X .50 CAL ROUNDS, 5 GALLS PETROL, & CHICOM CLAYMORES, 1 X US CLAYMORE. 5. AT 1400 HRS AT 693834 C/S 23 IRAR CONTACTED 1 VC WEARING WEBBING AND ARMED WITH AN AK 47. RESULTS 1 OWN WIA. 6. AT 1450 HRS 7 PL AT 572922 CONTACTED AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC (RF) RESULTING IN 3 VC KIA BC. 7. AT 161535 HRS AT 282747 AN ELEMENT OF IRAR CONTACTED 5 VC RESULTING IN 3 VC KIA BC, 1 VC WIA. AT 1717 HRS AT 695835 C/S 23 OF IRAR CONTACTED 2 VC WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. 8. AT 1717 HRS AT 695835 C/S 23 OF IRAR CONTACTED 2 VC WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. 2. IRAR A COY 676856 B COY 691833 C COY 658819. D COY 654859. POSSUM NOT READILY AVAILABLE BETWEEN 1030 & 1300 TOMORROW AS HE IS WORKING ON TASKS FOR "G" MEANS (ARTY) SUNRAY MINOR C/S 52 MEDEVAC TOMORROW -- C/S'S ON INTERNAL --- 41, 51, 53, AND C/S 51 WILL BE COMMANDED BY S/R MINOR C/S 51.	
2-13 214	2025 2105	TF V COY	OA CP		
215 215	2 319	TF	IRAR 4 RAR 2/11ACR.	0 GRP TO BE HELD HQ IATF MAIN CMM. FIRE SUPPORT BASE LION AT 181000 HRS ALL ADDRESSES TO SENT REPS. ACK TO FWD CP DUTY OFFICER.	
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216	1105	V COY	CP	TRACKS MOVING EAST TO WEST OUT OF STREAM FOR 10 TO 15 PERSONS, MADE THIS MORNING. REF TRAVKS. HEADS FOR WASHING. WE THINK IT LEADS TO A CAMP JUST TO OUR EAST. LOC 9 PL 565922, AMBUSHING A RECENTLY WELL-USED TRACK RUNNING NE--SW. 3 PL DEPARTING THIS LOC TO CHECK OUT SUSPECTED ENEMY CAMP. CAMP WILL TAKE SOME TIME TO CHECK OUT. DO NOT THINK CAN MOVE TODAY, UNLESS WE PRESS ON AND DISREGARD SIGN. IS DELAY ACCEPTABLE.	PASSED TO IATF.
217	1115	C COY	CP		
218	1152	C COY	CP		
219	1204	V COY	CP		
220	1220	V COY	CP		
221	1332	V COY	CP	BUNKERS 50 M TO SOUTH OF 10 PL. BUNKERS IN C/S 53'S LOC. INVESTIGATING.	YES.
222	1357	C COY	CP		
223	1415	C COY	CP	9 PL IN CONTACT. 3 ENEMY IN GREENS MOVING NORTH -- SOUTH CONTACTED BY 9 PL. ELEMENTS OF 9 PL MOVING TO INVESTIGATE. ENEMY GROUP STRENGTH UNKNOWN. 9 PL SAW 3 ENEMY VC WEARING PACKS & CAMOUFLAGE. 9 PL HAVE MOVEMENT TO FRONT AND ARE CURRENTLY INVESTIGATING.	
224	1423	V COY	CP		
225	1435	C COY	CP	3 PL FOUND 15 BUNKERS. 1 VC KIA BC. 9 PL CONTINUES SWEEP.	
226	1710	V COY	CP	A. CONTACT. 9 PL. B. 181358H C. 565922. D. 3. E. LF DRESSED IN GREEN BUSH HAT, BLACK SHIRT, BLUE TROUSERS & WEARING CAMOUFLAGE. F. 1 LF VC KIA BC. 1 X AK47 & 4 X AK47 MAGS. 10 LBS RICE. 1 X M26 GRENADE. 1 DIARY, QTY PROPAGANDA, DOCS, SMALL CLOTHING CAPTURED. G. VC MOVING N--S ALONG TRACK. VC WDR NE. CURRENTLY FIRING DF'S. SUSPECT THAT DF MAY HAVE HIT SOMETHING. CALLING FOR ARTY REPEAT.	
227	1726	V COY	CP		
228	1818	CP	TF	SUSPECT PROBABLE LOC SHOULD BE 590920. SUSPECT ENEMY GROUP AT 581926.	
229	1823	C COY	CP	TASKS 1. AT 10800 HRS REPORT TO TRENTHAM PICK UP 1 PASSENGER TAKE HIM TO DAT DO SOUTH OF HORSESHOE. 2. ON COMPLETION TASK 1 PICK UP PASSENGER AT EAGLE FARM TAKE TO SAME LZ AS TASK ONE 3. ON COMPLETION OF CONFERENCE PICK UP BOTH PASSENGERS FROM DAT DO RETURN ONE TO EAGLE FARM & ONE TO TRENTHAM. REQUEST POSSUM REPORT TO EAGLE FARM PRIOR MOV TO TRENTHAM. ESTD DURATION 4 HRS. ADDRESSED PRIORITY URGENT.	
230	1840	CP	3,4,5	VC KIA WAS A SQUAD LEADER, COME FROM VILLAGE NEARAST (HOA LONG) ONLY UNIT WE KNOW OF C982. SUNRAY FOR C COY & V COY I SUSPECT THAT IN THE AREA YOU CAME BACK TO US WITH FOR H & I (582926) THE ENEMY PROBABLY FLED. THEREFORE WE WILL CONTINUE AS PLANNED. SEND YOUR INTENTIONS. INTENTIONS I INTEND TO SECURE THIS AREA AND THE CAMPS TO THE NORTH WITH 1 PLATOON. I WILL SEND HOLDFAST WITH HIM INITIALLY. 10 PL WILL SEARCH BACK TO THE SE AND GET DETAILS OF THE CAMP WE KNOW IS THERE. HOLDFAST WILL GO TO THIS GROUP LATER. 3 PL ARE TO PATROL TO THE NW. I WANT YOU TO FRONT UP TO THE RIVER ALSO AND KEEP IN MIND THE RESUP. WHEN DO YOU ESTIMATE HOLDFAST FINISHED BY. THERE ARE SOME WORTHWILE TRAILS IN THE AREA.	FOR 10. I HOPE BY MIDDAY

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231	1915	CP CP C Coy CP C Coy CP C Coy D Coy V Coy	V Coy C Coy EP C Coy CP C Coy CP CP	<p>10 PL SHOULD PUT SOMEONE TO HIS EAST IN CASE ENEMY MOVEMENT FROM THAT DIRECTION. V COY 'S DISCOVERIES HAVE PUT THE TIME FRAME BACK. LOOK IN DETAIL AT XV, SU OVER THE NEXT FEW DAYS. I WILL HAVE WHAT WERE YOUR INTENTIONS I WOULD EITHER 1. MOVE DIRECT TO SU OR 2. REMAIN IN PRESENT LOC AND CHECK OUTEW & WC. ZU IS NO GOOD. WC HAS AN EXCELLENT TRAIL NE --SW WHICH GOES INTO XV. HAVE ASKED FOR H & I THIS AREA ALSO ON 9 PL BS WDR ROUTE. IT'S UP TO YOU WHETHER I CAN BE BEST EMPLOYED AS STEPS OR GO INTO SU. N. B. TRACKS HAVE FOLLOWED WATER LINE AND ENEMY CONTINUE TO MOVE ON THEM. REMAIN WHERE YOU ARE. LOOK AT XV AND DO SU THE FOLLOWING DAY. THERE IS SOME CONCERN RE V COY AND YOUR PRESENCE WOULD BE AN ADVANTAGE C COY INTENTIONS I WILL REMAIN IN PRESENT LOC WITH 7 PL IN 3 AMBUSH POSITIONS. 9 PL WILL GO TO WC AND AMBUSH ON MAJOR TRACK 8 PL WILL DO A THOROUGH SEARCH OF XV I WILL LEAVE PLOT FOR YOU TOMORROW. I AM OPTIMISTIC THAT THERE ARE SOME LF UNITS IN AREA.</p> <p>TOMORROW 11 PL TO SE OF 529885. A. INSTALLATION REPORT. 3 PL B. BUNKERS, CAMP. C. 181315. D. 581921. E. 16 BUNKERS. F. COY G. AM 18TH. H. TOOLS EATING UTENSILS FRESHLY DISCARDED, BLOOD STAINED BANDAGES. CACHE ON PERIMETER COVERED BY PART OF A AIRCRAFT FUEL TANK ON ONE STAND CONTAINING 300--400RDS OF NEW .30 CAL, 1X CHICOM STICK GRENADE I. NW, SE, SW. THE SE ONE GOES TO WATER POINT. THE ONE SW TO FURTHER CAMP. J. NO. K. TO BE DEMOLISHED. N02 . A. INSTALLATION REPORT. B. CACHE AND CARETAKERS HUT. C. 181550H. D. 582918. E. A PLATFORM CACHE AND IRON ROOF BUT ON 2FT HIGH PLATFORM. LIVING ACCOM 2 MEN. F. 2 MEN. G. 2 OR 3 DAYS. H. 17 LBS CHICOM EXPL, TRANSISTOR SITREP A. BETWEEN 1005 & 1220 HRS FROM 580920 TO 582919 VCOY LOCATED TRACKS OF TWO GROUPS OF 10 PERSONS MOVING EAST TO WEST FROM STREAM THIS MORNING. 2. AT 1322HRS AT 581921 3 PL V COY LOCATED A CAMP CONSISTING OF 16 BUNKERS CAMP WAS EVAC THIS MORNING. A CACHE OF 300 X .30 RDS AND A CHICOM GRENADE WAS LOCATED UNDER A AIRCRAFT FUEL TANK 3. AT 1358 HRS AT 565922 9 PL CONTACTED 3 LF VC DRESSED IN BLACK WEARING CAMOUFLAGE. RESULTS: VC KIA BC, 1 X AK47, 1 X M26 GRENADE, AND DOCS CAPTURED. 4. AT 1553 HRS AT 582918 10 PL FOUND A C ACHE CONSISTING OF 17 LBS CHICOM TNTL, 30 X 5.56 RDS, 1 TRANSISTOR, ASSORTED TOOLS 15 PAIRS SANDALS, 1 XSET SCALES. B. NI LOCS NI LOCS 1 RAR C Coy 572922 A Coy 656860 D Coy 523894 B Coy 684832 V Coy 580920 C Coy 659812 D Coy 654859</p> <p><u>LATE ENTRY</u> 10 PL LOCATED A BUNKER COMPLEX NOT YET FULLY SEARCHED AT 583917. 8 BUNKERS LOCATED SO FAR. SEARCH CONTINUES TOMORROW.</p>	FURTHER PLANS SOMETIME TOMORROW
232		CP	3, 4, 5, OB.		
233	0939	V Coy	CP	10 PL, STILL CLEARING THROUGH CAMP. 12 BUNKERS CLEARED MORE TO GO	
234	0940	V Coy	CP	FOR ACORN. DOES LETTER BOX NO T 20 MEAN ANYTHING. HAVE LETTER DATED 20/ 8/68 HAS LETTERS TNXP ALSO	
235	1002	CP	TF	DO YOU HAVE A LISTING OF C 982 UNIT. WE CANT FIND IT IN OURS.	
236	1050	V Coy	CP	A. INSTLLSTION REPIRT. B. BUNKERED CAMP. C. 181315H--191030H. D. BETWEEN 582918 & 583918. E. 20 BUNKERS F. COYG. 2-3DAYS, BUT SOME MOVEMENT IN CAMP TODAY AND YESTERDAY. H. 7 X RPG RDS, QTY ROCKET PROPELLENTS 21 X GRENADES D- ATK 44 COMPLETE IN SEALED TINS, 2 FULLAK47 MAGS, 2 BAR MAGS I. NW, E, S. NW & E TRACK TO OTHER CAMPS, S TO STERAM. J. No K. BEING DEMOLISHED. EQPT ETC TO BE BACKLOADED 8 PL AT THIS LOC HAS DISCOVERED A WELL DEFINED TRACK NW--SE. ON OLD BUNKER SYSTEM, LIMITS NOT YET DEFINED. SYSTEM WELL USED, FOUND BLOOD STAINED BANDAGES, 3 WEEKS OLD, SEVERAL EMPTY CACHE HOLES, SOME MED SUPPLIES A DAM UNDER CONSTRUCTION ON CREEK RUNNING THROUGH CAMP. 8 PL AMBUSHING TRACK AND INVESTIGATING AREA. 8 PL ARE AMBUSHING A WELL, INDICATIONS ARE THAT THIS WELL WAS USED THIS MORNING. V COY PUSH ON NOW.	PASSED
237	1112	C Coy	CP		
238	1119	CP	MV Coy		
239	1351	CP	V Coy		

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240	1445	C Coy	CP	8 PL IN CONTACT.	
241	1505	C Coy	CP	REF CONTACT 8 PL. 1 VC CAUSED NOISE NEAR WELL. SUNRAY 8 PL CRAWLED FWD TO INVESTIGATE SIGHTED 1 VC. 5 SHOTS INTO HIM	
242	1530	C Coy	CP	VC MOVED WEST INTO CLAYMORE WHICH WAS FIRED 4 FT AWAY. 8 PL NOW FWD TO CHECK.	
243	1545	C Coy	CP	8 PL IN CONTACT AGAIN. REF 8 PL CONTACT 1 LF VC BC. BRINGING BOBY IN. AMBUSH REMAIN IN POSITION	
244	1600	C Coy	CP	A. CONTACT REPORT 8 PL. B. 191455 H. C. 567916. D. 1 E. LF DRESSED IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES. F. 1 VC KIA BC 1 X AK47, 1 SET BASIC WEBBING, SMALL QTY DOC CAPTURED.	
245	1635	TF	CP	REF CONTACT 8 PL. AT THE WELL THERE ARE 4 TRACKS LEADING INTO IT. VC NOT ON TRACK WHEN HE APPROACHED AMBUSH.	
246	1800	CP	V Coy	NOISE THAT 8 PL HEARD WAS VC FILLING BUCKET AT THE WELL CLEARANCE FOR VR IN SOUTHERN PART OF CURTIN. CAN YOU CONFIRM ENGINEER WITH V COY WILL BE RELEASED YOMORROW	CLEAR. NOT FOR RELEASE.
		C Coy	CP	AGREE. MOV TO NORTH BOUNDARY. WHEN YOU ARE IN AREAS SEAGULL GAVE YOU WE WILL PUT POSSUM UP FOR MAP SPOT	
		CP	C Coy	PLAN YOUR OWN OPS TOWARDS END POINT. 10, PL WILL BE ABLE TO REST UP PRIOR TO OPERATING WITH D COY	
		C Coy	CP	BELIEVE XV HAS A LOT OF POTENTIAL.	
		CP	C Coy	YOU ARE TO R.I.F. THROUGH XV, WC, SU, MOVING TOWARDS UH. WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS	
		C Coy	CP	1 INTEND TO REPLACE 8 PL WITH 7 PL AND THEN MOVE THROUGH WC, NORTHERN XV, SU AND INTO UH. I WILL THEN CALL 7 PL FORWARD.	
		CP	C Coy	AFTER YOUR MAITDEM YOU MAY HAVE TO HELP V COY IN WIF HE IS HELD UP.	
		V Coy	CP	1 INTEND TO MOVE CLOSE TO FEATURE INNW OF WC.	
		CP	D Coy	AGREE WITH YOUR PLOT AS DISCUSSED TODAY BUT I MUST CLEAR IT WITH MY SUNRAY WHEN HE RETURNS.	
247				SITREP A. 1. 10 PL DURING THE MORNING SEARCHED A COY SIZED CAMP BETWEEN 582918 & 583918. 20 BUNKERS WERE LOCATED CONTAINING 7 RPG ROUNDS, 21 D-ATK 44 GRENADES, 2 X AK47 MAGAZINES, 2 X BAR MAGAZINES, 1500 RDS X .50 CAL 2. AT 1455 HRS AT 567916 8 PL CONTACTED 1 LF VC DRESSED IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES. RESULTS 1 VC KIA BC, 1 X AK47 AND SMALL QTY OF DPCS RECOVERED. B. NI LOCS C COY -- 8 PL 572922. 8 PL 567916. D COY -- 10 PL FSPB FLINDERS V COY + 10 PL 580920. 2. NI LOCS IRAR A COY 830811. B. 659818 C. 658819 D COY. 760835	I E. D COY TO WALK TO AREA CHARLIE DO NOT WALK
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248	1225	C Coy	CP	FOUR MAJOR TRACKS LEAD TO WELL WHICH IS 7 PL'S AMBUSHING. AMBUSH REMAINING IN POSITION UNTILL TOMORROW.	
249	1335	V Coy	CP	WILL BLOW WELL BEFORE DEPARTING AREA. WELL IS 5FT IN DIAMETER AND 15FT DEEP. G. R. 566916.	
250	1351	V Coy	CP	V COY -- 3 PL 556925.	
251	1505	V Coy	CP	AT THIS LOC A TRACK CAPABLE OF TAKING OXEN CARTS RUNS SW-NE. IT HAS NOT BEEN USED SINCE LAST DRY SEASON.	
252	1513	CP	IATF	LOC V COY COMPLETE 554924 (-PASSED TO TF) A SMALL TRENCHED CAMP, RECENT SIGN LAST FEW DAYS, A TRAIL SW FROM CAMP	
253	1547	C Coy	CP	V COY SHOULD BE IN POSITION TO LAND HIS MAITDEM TODAY. HE HAS 4 PERSONS TO BACKLOAD AT THIS STAGE. DO YOU WISH TO BACKLOAD THE ENGINEER TEAM THIS AFTERNOON OR TOMORROW? TOMORROW WILL DO.	
254	1615	V Coy	CP	APPROX 100M WEST OF LAST LOC 8 PL HAS STRUCK TRACK WITH BUNKERS TO NORTH. THE FORWARD MAN THOUGHT HE HEARD SOUND LIKE TYPING	
		V Coy	CP	9 PL IS INVESTIGATING.	
		V Coy	CP	HIGHER HS AGREED ENGINEERS CAN REMAIN YOUR LOC TONIGHT. AT 0800 HRS THEY WILL BE PICKED UP THEN 10 PL WILL MOVE TO FLINDERS. SEND STRENGTH OF ENGINEERS & HOLDFAST	
255	1707	CP	TF	INTENTION TOMORROW WORK NORTH TO TF ACROSS OTHER SIDE OF CREEK. ALSO LOOK BACK 500M T AND NORTH TO STREAM	
256	1720	V Coy	CP	I THINK I CAN DO THIS WITHOUT 10 PL. REQUEST PEOPLE MISSION TOMORROW FOR FOLLOWING AREA 540820, 570850, 540880, 510850. REQUEST READ OUT RESULTS FORWARDED TO THIS LOC BY 1600 HRS.	
257	1727	V Coy	CP	REF TASKS TOMORROW. CAN I MOVE 500M NORTH OF THE RIVER? WE HAVE RIVER PLUS 500M BUT WE WILL INFO TF OF YOUR MOVEMENTS	
258	1812	C Coy	7 PL	FOR S3--ANY WORD ON MOVEMENT OF c/s 63? AFTER FIRST LIGHT PREPARE WATER POINT FOR DEMOLITION. AFTER AIR CLEARANCE GRANTED BLOW IT AND MOVE TO THIS LOC	OK STAY WITH V COY
259	1906	CP	3,4,5	THERE IS NO HURRY AS MAITDEM HAS BEEN DELAYED FROM XEROX V COY. NW CORNER OF QB --NTR. N OF WC -- VC TRACK LOCATED. N OF VV--NTR EXCEPT FOR VEH TRACK NOT USED FOR 6--9 MONTHS. 10 PL AND ENGR COMBAT TEAM LEAVE TOMORROW MORNING. PLAN TO SEARCH TF & VV TOMORROW WITH REMAINDER OF V COY. FROM C COY. 7 PL CONTINUE TO AMBUSH WELL. WILL DEMOLISH IN MORNING AND RETURN TO THIS LOC APPROX 400M EAST OF MY PRESENT LOC. 6 BUNKERS THOUGHT TO BE SOUTHERN FRINGE OF LARGE COMPLEX. WILL RECCE AREA TOMORROW. TO V COY TIMINGS FOR EXTRACTION OF 10 PL AND ENGINEERS WILL BE CONFIRMED LATER BY SEAGULL. TO C COY NEW DEVELOPMENTS WILL EFFECT YOUR TASK FROM TOMORROW. WILL TAKE YOU INTO NZ. WILL REQUIRE YOU TO MOVE AFTER RESUP COMPLETE & 7 PL JOINS YOU. SUNRAY WILL VISIT WITH MORE INFO AT 21030. YOUR PREVIOUS PLAN TO RECCE BUNKERS IS TO BE CANCELLED.	RELAYED BY ØA

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259	CONTD			V COY IS TO DO YOUR DEMOLITIONS. TO D COY PLANNING TIME FOR RETURN OF 10 PL 210800	
260	1945	CP	L IATF	CAN WE KEEP COMBAT ENGINEER TEAM. YES DELETE AIR TASK REQUEST. CANCELLED. CONFIRM POSSUM TIMINGS. YES.	CONFIRM
261	1947	CP	V, D COY'S	AIR TASK REQEEST 2/20. YES START TIME 0800 KEEP ENGINEERS, EXPLOSIVES MAINTDEM. PROBABLY WITH C COY MAINTDEM. 10 PL LIFT STARS 0800 HRS.	
262	2004	CP	TF	WILL REQUIRE SERVICES OF ALBATROSS LEADER AND LIGHT OF HIS MEN DAY AFTER TOMORROW ADVISE PROBLEMS. WILL HAVE TO CONSULT ALBATROSS LEADER TOMORROW BUT DO NOT ENVISAGE ANY PROBLEMS.	
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0855	263	D COY	CP	ANY CHANCE OF GETTING ELMS OF C/S 63 WITH DOG. , ? HOW URGENTLY DO YOU WANT THEM?. 3 MEMBERS PLUS DOG WITH V COY WILL MOVE THEM OVER SOME TIME TODAY.	
264	0940	CP	C COY	FOR INFO. DECORATIONS FOR MEMBERS THIS UNIT. 7 PL IN CONTACT 13TH SEPT. S/RAY MC. S/RAY MINOR DCM.	
265	1031	CP	V COY	WOULD 0800 TOMORROW SUIT FOR MOV. YES. 8 ALBATROSSES PROBABLY. SHOULD BE FIRM BY TONIGHT.	
266	1350	V COY	CP	IN CAMP. STILL INVESTIGATING. WILL SEND SITREP WHEN ABLE TO DO SO.	
267	1505	V COY	CP	A. INSTALLATION REPORT. B. BUNKER CAMP. C. 211330H D. 551919. E. 17 BUNKERS. F. COY SIZED CAMP. G. THIS MORNING BY A CARETAKER GROUP. H. 1 X PACK, 10 LBS RICE, 1 X SHOVEL HOME MADE, 100 RDS BAR, 1 TIN GREASE. I. MAJOR EXIT TRACKS RUNNING EAST. J. No. K. NIL.	
268	1727	C COY	CP	THE STREAM SHOWN AS NON-PERENNIAL RUNNING THROUGH CM & OF IS FAST FLOWING. SUGGEST V COY CHECK IT AT LATER DATE.	
269	1902	TF	CP	(COMBAT SKY SPOT) AT 2245 AT 566887	
270	1905	TF	CP	AIR STRIKE DETAILS EXPT AVAILABLE. PROBABLE TIMINGS 1100 & 1200. WILL CONFIRM DETAILS AT 0900.	
271	1913	CP	3,4,5,9,5B QB	SITREP A. 1. AT 0830 HRS AT 546658 C/S 23 ON ROAD RUNNER TASK WAS ENGAGED BY A COMMAND DETONATED MINE. NEG RESULTS 2. AT 1100 HRS AT 674875 FRIENDLIES LOCATED A BUNKER AND NEARBY CACHE CONTAINING A QTY OF MIXED STORES IN 20 COOKING POTS, 1 US CLAYMORE, 3 X CHICOM CLAYMORES, 1 X BUGLE, 230 LBS RICE & A QTY OF DOCS. 3. AT 1255 HRS AT 407876 FRIENDLIES CONTACTED AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY RESULTING IN 1 US WIA. 4. AT 1320 HRS AT 671900 FRIENDLIES LOCATED A HUT AND SEVERAL CACHES CONTAINING A QTY OF STORES INCL 55 LBS TNT, 1000 HACKSAW BLADES, 200 DRILL BITS AND 1 X 6 V GENERATOR. 5. AT 1640 AT 675897 FRIENDLIES LOC A CACHE CONTAINING 1958 CCICOM GRENADES, 55 X 81 MM MOR BOMBS, 1 X 75 RCL 1 X M 1917 WINCHESTER. 6. AT APPROX 1700 HRS AT 551919 V COY DESTROYED A CAMP CONSISTING OF 21 BUNKERS. RECOVERED 1 X PACK & 15 LBS RICE. B. NI Locs C COY 551901. D COY FLINDERS. V COY 547917. OTHER FRIENDLY LOCS WILL NOT BE OF ANY INTEREST	X X
272	1935	C COY	CP	THINK I WILL POP SMOKE AND THEN MOVE FORWARD TO CREEK 553896 AT 1030. ONCE YOU POP SMOKE DONT MOVE, SUGGEST YOU USE THE TIME TO RECCE ROUTE FORWARD. OK, WILL DO THAT AM PLANNING ON MOVING FORWARD AT 1200 HRS. MSD 1000 M AS STATED.	
273	2045	TF	CP	ADVISE SEAGULL 2 ND STRIKE ON PLANNED OBJECTIVE CANCELLED. ONLY EARLY ONE. (FROM SEAGULL AIR).	

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274	0813	ARTY C	CP	AIRSTRIKE IN 5689 AIRSTRIKE IN 5689 IN 10 MINS.	
275	0818	CP	TF	WE HAVE NOT GIVEN GROUND CLEARANCE FOR AN AIRSTRIKE IN 5689.	
276	0821	TF	CP	WE KNOW NOTHING OF THIS AIRSTRIKE CONTINUE TO GIVE NEGATIVE GROUND CLEARANCE.	
278	1040	CP	C Coy	REF FIRE PLAN. AIRSTRIKE 1100H TO 1115H. FOLLOWED BY 30 MINS FROM US MEDS	
279	1222	CP	C Coy	END OF ARTY INTO 5588. YOU HAVE CLEARANCE TO MOVE.	
280	1416	C Coy	CP	AT LAST LOC STRUCK 2 TRACKS & A WELL CAMOUFLAGED CAMP. NO APPARENT MOVE MENT IN CAMP BUT MOVING FWD SLOWLY AND XXXXXXXX CLEARING. 557888	
281	1456	C Coy	CP	7 PL RECCED CAMP. IT HAS 6 BUNKERS & 4 TRACKS LEADING IN. 7 PL IS SECURING FOR ARRIVAL OF REMAINDER OF COY.	PASSED
282	1550	C Coy	CP	WE HAVE LOCATED A MAJOR COMPLEX. THERE ARE 8 OR 9 STRUCTURES IN OUR IMMEDIATE AREA AND BUPPEAR TO RUN IN EVERY DIRECTION. THE FIRE WAS QUITE HOT WHEN 7 PL ARRIVED. I AM TOLD THERE IS HEAVY DAMAGE FROM AIR & ARTY ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE STREAM. DETAILS TO FOLLOW ASP.	THE CAMP WAS VACATED EARLY THIS MORNING
283	1632	C Coy	CP	CAMP USED THIS MORNING. TUNNELS NOT YET EXPLORED. WE WILL CONTINUE INVESTIGATIONS TOMORROW.	
284	1845	C Coy	CP	EXPLOSION TO SOUTH OF OUR LOC. AT THIS STAGE INCIDENT. COULD HAVE BEEN OWN CLAYMORE.	
285	1847	C Coy	CP	WE JUST RECEIVED ONE SINGLE SHOT FROM OUTSIDE OUR POSITION.	
286	1900	C Coy	CP	JUST REC ANOTHER SHOT FROM SAME DIRECTION. REF STRIKE. IT BURST EXACTLY ON PERIMETER. 20 YDS TO NORTH AL MOST ON ENEMY BUNKERS. NEG CASUALTIES.	
287		CP	3,4,5, 95B, 9B	SITREP. A. 1. AT 0950 HRS AT 674892 FRIENDLIES LOC 56 X CHICOM GRENADES BOOBY TRAPS .2. AT APPROX 1100 HRS AT 674892 FRIENDLIES LOCATED A PILE OF DIRT. THEY DUG FOR 6FT AND FOUND A CONCRETE COVER AND LIFTING DEVICE. THE COVER WAS 4FT X 4FT X 6INS AND UNDER IT WAS A DIU TUNNEL 4FT X 4FT X 15FT. IN THE TUNNEL WAS AN ARMS CACHE CONTAINING 1 X 57 RCL COMPLETE 12 X SKS RIFLES, 1 X .30 CAL MG COMPLETE, 14 CHICOM RIFLES, 1 X .50 CAL COMPLETE, 13 X CHICOM LMG RPD, 1 X CHICOM HMG 12.7 MM 3 X SMG COMPLETE, 2 X 82 MM COMPLETE WITH SIGHTS, 15 B40 ROUNDS, 20 X ATK MINES, A LARGE QTY OF AMMO FOR ALL WEAPONS BLASTING CAPS DETCORD, ELECTRICAL EQPT, NUMEROUS BOOBY TRAPS OF VARIOUS TYPES. ALL EQTY IS SERVICEABLE BUT APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN STORED FOR SOME TIME IN TROPICAL PACKING. 3. ON THE SAME FEATURE THE SAME UNIT AT 1145 HRS FOUND A HOLE APPROX 6FT DEEP COVERED BY STEEL BEAMS, DIRT AND BUSH. THE HOLE CONTAINED 40 BOLT ACTION RIFLES, 1 US CARBINE, 5 M1 RIFLES. 4. AT APPROX 1456 C COY IN THEIR NI LOC FOUND A BUNKER SYSTEM WHICH WAS VACATED THIS MORNING. SEARCH WILL CONTINUE TOMORROW.	PASSED
288	1915	CP	C Coy	BRAVO. NI LOCS	
289	1918	C Coy	CP	C Coy 557887 D COY - II PL 531876 II PL 530869. V COY FLINDERS.	
290	1920	V Coy	CP	AT 1858 HRS C COY SUFFERED AN AIRSTRIKE, ONLY ONE BOMB DROPPED, NEAR MISS, NO CASUALTIES.	
291	1921	CP	C, D Coy	MY S/RAY HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH ME. THERE WILL BE AN INVESTIGATION, HIS S/RAY MINOR WILL BE OUT TO SEE TOMORROW	FROM S/RAY. STAY THERE
292	1923	V Coy	CP	CREEK DRY. WILL CHECK OUT CREEK EITHER WAY. THERE WAS A LARGE KITCHEN COMPLEX TO OUR NORTH WITH CAMP EVIDENCE OBVIOUS ENEMY PRESENCE STILL IN AREA	SEARCH OUT AREA CAREFULLY NO RUSH
294	1910	D Coy	CP	CAN GET TO KNOW AREA, MAINLY TO SOUTH ONCE I AM SURE D COY HAS MOVED ON. BE CAREFUL ABOUT USE OF FIRE AND SMOKE. FRIENDLIES HAD AN INCIDENT RESULTING FROM USE OF KIXE SMOKE CANNISTER IT HAS BEEN POLICY ON OCCASIONS TO DELIBERATLY BURN OFF LZ'S TOMORROW II PL TO CHECK CREEK AREA 524863, PROBABLY AMBUSH THAT GEN LOC. AT DATE / TIME TO BE ADVISED D COY MINUS REJOINS II PL THAT AREA COY COMPLETE. MOVES TO AREA OF PLANTATION 524841 TO LOOK FROM THERE AT NUI SAO AND ORIGINAL SEARCH AREA. CO WILL VISIT AT PLANTATION TO FIRM ON EXTRACTION PZ. (PARAPHRASE OF CONVERSATION)	

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295	0825	CP	IATF	Have problem concerning AFV Guard. BCoy has an effective strength of 100. Guard required is 8. As B Coy is the Task Force Reserve I will not release them without your approval. Would prefer some other unit to supply Guard.	
296	0844	IATF	CP	Reference Guard. Men may be released from C/S 2.	
297	0941	IATF	CP	To Sunray. You are to handle affairs at my level until Q Hr. (I400). Please move to FSPB Lion until I return. Fm Sunray.	
298	0955	3	CP	Send c/s 33 to where Sunray indicated winch point. Could not find winch point, however found cache & buildings instead. Details to follow. At about 1500 can we have possum to guide us to winchpoint.	
299	I030	3	CP	Cache contained 49lbs crushed rice, 30lbs rice ordinary. Destroyed.	
300	I050	C Coy	CP	At 8pl's present loc they found a small camp cache containing 1x AK47, 2 x entrenching tools, 1 bag sago approx 5lbs, 80lbs rice, 1 hand drill, 1 can salad oil. GR YS558888.	Passed.
301	II32 I225	C Coy & Coy	CP CP	8pl have found a small cache containing 1xAK47, 1 sight RPG, 1 vice, 30lbs starch 40lbs salt, 150lbs white rice, 40lbs beans, 5lbs brown substance, small qty medical supplies.	Passed.
302	1225	C Coy	CP	9 Pl in present loc have located a well with a wooden cover. Water is 6ft down and a depth of 12ft. Pl Comd of 9PL considers water acceptable for drinking there for cancel water on maintdem.	
303	1305	C Coy	CP	9Pl in contact at well.	
304	1310	C Coy	CP	2 En approached 9 Pl from SW, were engaged by 9Pl. En fled SW.	Passed.
305	1326	C Coy	CP	A. Contact C Coy HQ. B. 231305H. C. 557887. D. 2. E. Not known. F. Nil. G. VC MOVED NE into this posn, fired on one of C Coy sentries. Sentries returned fire VC wdr SW.	Passed.
306	1328	C Coy	CP	A. Contact 9PL. B. 231305H. C. 556887. D. 1. E. Not known. F. Nil. G. VC moved into 9 Pl posn, fired on by sentrie En wdr SW.	Passed
307	1540	TF	CP	Weather for period 232400H to 242400H. Winds W to SW variable 20 to 45 knots Gusting 45 knots. Moderate to heavy rain. 4 inches expected in 24 hours. Ceiling height 500ft. Severe turbulence to 200 feet. Typhoon MAMIE.	Passed to all COYS.
308	1645	C Coy	CP	Reference BDA no joy. 8Pl have found 4 craters but nothing else.	
309	1827	CP	all Coys	SITREP. A. 1. At 0946 hrs at GR 762879 C Coy 1RAR contacted 2VC WITH neg results 2. At 0955 hrs at 555889 9PL found a cache of 70 lbs of rice which was destroyed. 3. Between 1050 and 1145 in the vicinity of 558888 8 Pl found 2 caches containing 2 X AK47, 1 RPG7 sight, 80lbs rice 30 lbs starch, 40 lbs salt, Qty of med supplies and some hand tools. 4. At 1145 hrs at GR669898 friendlies located a suspected grenade factory. A furnace and material for making grenades were found in a bunker and the area was heavily booby trapped. 5. At 1201 hrs at GR749856 10 Pl 1RAR located a newly constructed building and a cache containing 4 bags of rice, various hand tools and some clothing. 6. At 1305 hrs at 557887 C Coy contacted 2 En with Neg results. 7. At 1305 at 556887 9Pl contacted 1 En dressed in black with a green bush hat and carrying a pistol, Neg results. B. NI LOCS. C Coy 557887 D Coy 531876, 11Pl 524866, V Coy FLINDERS.	

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310	1747	TF	CP	Possum for CO V Coy will be tasked	
310 311	1834	C Coy	CP	Intentions, 9PL to explore suspected bunker system SW, then NE to S of NZ. 8Pl to receive explosives, then blow 16 bunkers NE. C Coy -7 Pl to ambush tracks present loc	Passed to V Coy
312	1848	CP	C Coy	IATF sunray has insisted air investigation no fault of pilot. Staff error. Ensure confidence kept in airstrikes.	
313	1850	D Coy	CP	Intentions. Start to move tomorrow to RA then look at future, will leave 12 Pl be hind, they can catch up later.	
314	1851	CP	D Coy	CO will come to see you when you are in a position.	
315	1854	D Coy C	CP	Dont know if I want it, will endeavour to be well down into RA.	
316	1855	V Coy	CP	Intentions. 1 pl will move out at daylight, only info D Coy's locs.	
317				3 pl day 25th move into CM, BB.	
317	1857	D Coy	CP	Cant see 12 pl leaving this loc before 1000 hrs tomorrow	
318	1905	C Coy	CP	A. Installation Report 1. B. Bunker system. C. 221400H. D. 559891. E. 16 bunkers V shape 12 bunkers NE-- SW. 4 bunkers W--E. bunkers 12 ft X 12ft X 5ft deep with 2ft 6" overhead protection. 2 entrances to each bunker with eating & cooking area on top. F. coy. G. 1 to 2. H. Neg eqpt card found indicating member of B3 T610 dated 27 FEB 68. I. WS. J. NO. k. nil.	Ack by E V Coy.
				Installation Report 2. A. Installation Report .B. Bunker system. C. 221400h D. 557887. E. 6 bunkers 12ft X 8ft X 5ft, with 2ft 6" overhead protection. A. a further 2 bunkers 12ft X 6ft X 5ft under construction. 2 kitchens 3 thatched huts. F. Plt. G. Within 24 hrs by caretaker party. i. Tracks lead out N. s, NE & SW. J. No. K. Probably used by small parties as a stop over point. Water available from at least 1 well. Fire still worm at 221400H.	
				A. Installation report 3. B. 2 caches. C. Between 231050 & 231125H. D. 558888. E. Both on platforms 5ft x 3ft covered with plastic. G. 1 month +. H. 2X AK47 1 x 60mm Mor sight, NOT RPG sight, 80lbs rice, 30 lbs starch, 40lbs salt Qty of Med supplies, 1 x vice, 2 x cross saws, 1 hand drill, 2 trenching tools. I. nil. J. NO.	
319	0025	iATF	TF	From intelligence for COO. Good intelligence report large enemy force in base area vicinity C Coy Ni loc 6PM yesterday. Report enemy has to move for rive. Enemy waited for VIP from north.	Passed

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320	0739	CP	D COY	DESPATCH LL PL AS PLANNED, LEAVE REMAINDER OF YOUR C/S UNTIL C COY HAS CARRIED OUT THE FIRST PART OF HIS PLAN	
321	0740	CP	C COY	9 PL TO CHECK MOST LIKELY AREA SW. WILL HOLD 8 PL UNTIL HE SEES WHAT 9 PL FINDS. IF NOT HE WILL GO NE	
322	0740	CP	D COY	10 PL WILL MOVE EAST TO CHECK FOR TRACKS FROM C COY VICINITY	
323	0748	CP	V COY	BECAUSE OF CHANGE TO C COY AND D COY PLANS CAN YOU DELAY MOVEMENT OF YOUR C/S TO THE SOUTH	WILCO
324	0805	V COY	D COY	1 PL WILL MOVE TO TRACK 528884, HE WILL NOT COME FURTHER SOUTH THAN THAT	
325	0808	TF	CP	COMD IN YOUR LOC AT 1630 AND WILL GO TO V COY AT APPROX 1700	PAB AND V COY INFORMED
326	0815	C COY	CP	9 PL OUT 50 METRES FROM THIS FOUND 3 WELLS THIS EXPLAINS WHY THERE ARE SO MANY TRACKS THIS AREA. WE HOLD GROUND TACTICAL IMPORTANCE IN AREA. 9 PL PROCEEDING.	
327	0820	C COY	CP	9 PL HAS MOVED 100 METRES LEFT 20 METRES THEY FOUND AREA OF EXPLOSION WE HEARD OTHER NIGHT. NEAR THERE THEY HAVE FOUND ANOTHER CLAYMORE SET UP. THEY ARE LOOKING AROUND TO CUT THE WIRE	OTHER NIGHT EXPLOSION APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN A CLAYMORE
328	0837	C COY	CP	9 PL HAVE SECURED THE CHICOM DET DEVICE, NOW CHECKING FOR BOOBY TRAPS. THEY CAN SEE STRUCTURES ON THE GEN AXIS OF THEIR MOVEMENT.	
329	0850	C COY	CP	9 PL HAVE LOCATED A 25LB CLAYMORE AND 2 ROLLS ELECTRICAL CABLE, 1 CABLE CONNECTED TO CLAYMORE DETONATED THE OTHER NIGHT. THERE WAS NO DETONATOR IN THE CLAYMORE	
330	0925	C COY	CP	9 PL 556886 LOCATED 3 STRUCTURES, NOW INVESTIGATING	PASSED TO TF.
331	0940	CP	D COY	THERE MAY BE A REQUIREMENT FOR YOU TO EXTEND YOUR STAY IN THE AREA, A COMPOSITE GROUP OF TANGOS, TANGO ALPHAS ETC WILL ESTABLISH THEMSELVES TO THE SOUTH OF C COY LOC, DO YOU FORSEE ANY PROBLEMS	R & R PERSONS
332	0950	C COY	CP	8 PL NOW BACK IN MY LOC WITH PRI MAINTDEM. 9 PL IN PRESENT LOC HAVE LOC A CACHE WITH AN ALUMINIUM COVER, CACHE CONTAINS 2X30 GAL DRUMS WITH 1X TYPEWRITER ON TOP OF A DRUM, ENGRS CHECKING AREA, IN A DEF POSITION	
333	0950	CP	C COY	CAN YOU SEND A C/S TO CHECK AREA TO YOUR SOUTH - SOUTH EAST	WILL SEND 8 PL
334	1101	C COY	CP	LO C 9 PL 550880. 8 PL MOV TO SOUTH WEST OF 5688. 9 PL LOC SOME SIGN, WISHES TO MOVE TO 5589. THERE ARE TRACKS LEADING UP TO 5589	PASSED TO TF
335	1145	D COY	CP	10 PL NTR. DO YOU WANT HIM TO CHECK TO THE SOUTH OR RETURN TO MY LOC.	SEARCH TO SOUTH. ACK BY C COY
336	1344	C COY	CP	9 PL NOW MY LOC. 7 PL WILL BE MOVING TO INSTALLATION FOUND YESTERDAY TO CHECK IT OUT. WHEN 8 PL RETURNS THEY WILL TAKE OUT EXPLOSIVES AND HOPE TO DEMOLISH INSTALLATION THIS AFTERNOON	PASSED TO TF
337	1417	V COY	CP	LOCSTAT 1 PL 528884	
338	1417	D COY	CP	BECAUSE OF PROBLEM OF RV WITH 1/V COY, I WILL SEND GROUP ESCORTING R & R PERS ALL THE WAY TO FLINDERS. NO ESCORT REQUIREMENT FOR 1/V COY	V COY ACK
339	1425	CP	C COY	PAY PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO AREA OF WELLS, LOOK FOR TUNNELS AS INT SUGGESTS VC SICK IN TUNNELS//REQUIRE 2-3 DAYS TO SEARCH THIS AREA THOROUGHLY. THEN I HAVE REQUIREMENT FOR RESUP, PROB LZ IN SQUARE LV. CHECK THAT AREA ALSO//	DON'T GIVE UP THE WELLS

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340	1437	C COY	CP	IF I GET CHAIN SAW, I HAVE CROSS- CUT SAWS AND EXPLOSIVES, WE CAN DEVELOPE PAD AND TAKE MAINTDEM THIS LOC LATER IN THE AFTERNOON	
341	1440	C COY	CP	LEAVE MAINTDEM TIMING AS IS. IF PAD IS NOT READY IN TIME WE WILL LET YOU KNOW TONIGHT	
342	1453	D COY	CP	MY ESCORT PARTY WILL REMAIN AT FLINDERS AND I WILL REMAIN IN MY PRESENT LOC TONIGHT AND PUSH ON TOMORROW. WHEN I REACH MY DISTINATION AND HAVE A LZ V COYS FO CAN BE FLOWN IN	ROGER
343	1537	TF	CP	BRING TIMINGS OF COMDS VISIT FORWARD TO 1600 HRS	CO INFORMED
344	1546	CP	V COY	COMD WILL VISIT AT 1630 HRS	
345	1550	C COY	CP	7 PL AT 558888 HAS FOUND AN EXTENSION TO BUNKERS SYSTEM AND THERE ARE UNDERGROUND ROOMS. THEY HAVE BEEN CHECKED WITH NO RESULTS BUT WE WILL SEARCH IN DETAIL TOMORROW	
346	1628	V COY	CP	C/S 44 NOW AT FLINDERS	ACK BY D COY
347	1647	C COY	CP	A. INSTALLATION REPORT. B. BUNKER SYSTEM. C. 241430H. D. 558878. E. 2 FIGHTING BUNKERS/BOMB SHELTERS RECENT CONSTRUCTION 3 BUNKERS 12'X8'X4' DEEP WITH 3' OHP. I WASHING POIN T. F. PL. G. PROBABLY SOME WEEKS. I. NORTH AND NNE. J. NO.	PASSED TO TF
348	1651	C COY	CP	REF LZ: READY IN TIME FOR MAINTDEM. IOL INSUFFICIENT FOR TASK (CHAIN SAW). CAN POSSUM DELIVER IOL TOMORROW MORNING SO THAT LZ CAN BE COMPLETED	PASSED TO 95B ON AQ NET.
349	1709	C COY	CP	CONTACT	PASSED TO TF
350	1724	C COY	CP	A. CONTACT 63A. B. 241708. C. 557887. D. I. E. NOT KNOWN. F. 1 VC KIA (BC). G. VC APPROACHED FROM NE ALONG TRACK WAS ENGAGED, RETURNED FIRE, WITHDREW NORTH	PASSED TO TF
351	1810	C COY	CP	WE THINK WE HAVE A WOUNDED VC TO OUR NORTH EITHER BEHIND A LOG OR IN A BUNKER, WILL ENGAGE THE AREA WITH M79s.	
352	1820	CP	C COY	HAVE YOU AN INTERPRETER WITH YOU, IF SO PERHAPS HE CAN ENTICE VC TO BECOME HOI CHANH	
353	1830	C COY	CP	INTERPRETER NO GO, WE THINK VC HAS FLOWN. REF CONTACT REPORT. A TO C NO CHANGE. D. 2. E. LF DRESSED IN CIVVY CLO. F. VC APPROACHED FROM NE ALONG TRACK SENTRY ENGAGED KILLED 1ST VC, 2ND VC RETURNED FIRE REMAINED IN AREA A FEW MINUTES THEN WITHDREW NORTH	PASSED TO TF
354	1953	CP	V COY	CHECK AND LET ME KNOW IF ALL MEMBERS OF C/S44 ARE STILL IN YOUR LOC OR WERE SOME BACKLOADED THIS AFTERNOON	HAVE ALL LEFT THIS LOC
355	1915	CP	ALL STAS	SITREP. ALPHA. ONE. AT 0925 HRS AT 556886 9 PL LOCATED 4 STRUCTURES CONTAINING 2 EMPTY 30 GAL DRUMS AND 1 TYPEWRITER. TWO. BETWEEN 0945 HRS AND APPROX 1500 HRS A COY 1 RAR IN THE AREA 735890 WAS INVOLVED IN A SERIES OF CONTACTS HIGHLIGHTED BY A CONTACT WITH 12-25 VC IN A BUNKER SYSTEM. RESULTS. 2 VC KIA, 1 AK47 AND FOUR PACKS RECOVERED. OWN CASUALTIES 2 KIA, 5 WIA. THREE. AT 1430 HRS AT 558878 C COY FOUND A PLATOON SIZED BUNKERSYSTEM CONSISTING OF 5 BUNKERS AND A WASHING POINT. AREA HAS NOT BEEN USED IN SOME WEEKS. FOUR. AT 1708 HRS AT C COY NIGHT LOCATION C/S 63A CONTACTED 2 VC. RESULTS 1 VC KIA (BC), 1 AK47 CAPTURED. SECOND VC WITHDREW NORTH. BRAVO. NIGHT LOCS. C COY 557887. D COY MINUS 11 PL AND C/S44 531876. 11 PL 521854. V COY AND C/S44 FSPB FLINDERS 523894.	

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356	0803	TF	CP	G2 (INT) WOULD LIKE TO SEND A REP TO C COY WITH INFO ON HOW TO RECOGNISE SIGN FOR CACHES AND HOW TO RECOGNISE CACHES//C COY NOT READY BEFORE MIDDAY - WILL INFO S3	PASSED TO CO WILL SPEAK TO G2 INT
357	0823	V COY	CP	3 PL AT 533892 FOUND TRACK FOR 7 PERSONS 2 DAYS OLD - MINOR VC TRACK RUNNING EAST - WEST. MOVEMENT WAS TO THE WEST	PASSED TO TF
358	1000	CP	C COY	FOR OC. CO HAS RECENTLY RETURNED FROM TF. INT THERE CONFIRMS EN WE ARE LOOKING FOR ARE STILL IN AREA.	
359	1125	C COY	CP	9 PL HAVE MOVED OUT AND HAVE SECURED THE WELLS AREA. 1ST PTL MOVED OUT 50 METRES ON A SW BEARING HAVE FOUND 10 BUNKERS, NO FURTHER DETAILS AT THIS STAGE	
360	1325	C COY	CP	IN 9 PL LAST LOC HE HAS SEARCHED 18 BUNKERS AND HAS A FURTHER 10 BUNKERS TO SEARCH.	
361	1345	C COY	CP	9 PL LOCATED 2X3 BAND RADIOS (AIWA AND PHILLIPS) IN 20TH BUNKER. THEY WILL NOT ALTER FREQUENCIES.	
362	1831	C COY	CP	A. INSTL REPORT. B. BUNKER SYSTEM/CACHE. C. 251115H. D. 556887 TO 555887. E. 33 BUNKERS IN A ROUGH CIRCULAR LAYOUT WITH 6 FIREPLACES, 1 LARGE MESS HUT/LECTURE HUT TO ACCN APPROX 50 MEN. 6 BUNKERS UNDER CONSTRUCTION, 1 CACHE. H. CACHE CONTAINED 39X1 LB BAGS STARCH, 2 LBS RICE, SMALL QTY MED SUPPLIES, 2X3 BAND RADIOS -AWIO, PHILLIPS, F. COY PLUS. G. APPROX 3 DAYS. I. EAST, SOUTH EAST, SOUTH. J. NO. K. WHOLE SYSTEM NEWLY CONSTRUCTED AND APPEARS TO BE COMPLETE. BUNKERS - 5'X7' INSIDE WITH 2' OHP. HAVE NO FIRING SLITS. KITCHEN/FIREPLACE AREAS TABLES, FOOD BINS, SULLAGE PITS, NO COMM TRENCHES ALTHOUGH CONSTR OF THESE APPEARS TO HAVE BEGAN	NEARLY PASSED TO TF
363	1915	CP	ALL STAS	SITREP. ALPHA. 1. AT 0823 HRS AT 533892 3/V COY LOC TRACKS FOR 7 PERSONS MOVING FORM EAST TO WEST 7 DAYS OLD. 2. DURING DAY IN VICINITY 556887 9/C COY LOCATED 33 BUNKERS 6 OF WHICH WERE STILL UNDER CONSTRUCTION. LOCATED WERE 2X3 BAND RADIOS AND IN A CACHE 39X 1 LB BAGS STARCH, 2 LBS RICE, SMALL QTY MED SUPPLIES. 3. AT 1130 HRS AT 734888 A COY 1 RAR LOCATED 25 BUNKERS. SUSPECTED TRAINING CAMP WITH 3 OUTDOOR TRAINING AREAS. BRAVO. NIGHT LOCATIONS. C COY 557887. D COY 523843. V COY FSPB FLINDERS. BN HQ TRENTHAM.	
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364	0836	CP	V COY	TOMORROW WE SEND PTL FROM HERE NOTTH TO LJ. WILL THIS PRESENT ANY PROBLEMS FOR YOU	NO PROBLEM
365	1037	C COY	CP	A LARGE GIA TREE IS LOCATED IN THE CENTRE OF THE INSTALLATION WE ARE IN NOW. THE TREE IS HOLLOW AND HAS NATURAL AND ARTIFICIAL STEPS WHICH LEAD UP TO AN OP OF PORTHOLES WHICH ALLOWS 6400 MILS VISION WITHOUT THE OBSERVER BEEING SEEN. HEIGHT OF TREE APPROX 75 FEET.	
366	1142	C COY	CP	AT 562888 7 PL HAS LOCATED BUNKERS IN THE AREA, HE HAS GONE TO GROUND AND WILL COMMENCE TO CLEAR THEM.	PASSED TO TF.
367	1310	C COY	CP	7 PL SEARCHED 14 BUNKERS IN HIS PRESENT LOC. NTR.	
368	1347	D COY	CP	AT 516849 II PL FOUND OLD CAMP. NOT USED FOR SEVERAL WEEKS	PASSED TO TF
369	1355	C COY	CP	REF 7 PL BUNKERS. SIGNS OF RECENT ARTY HITS. HIT DIRECTLY BUT NO DAMAGE TO BUNKERS. NO BLOODTRAILS OF SIGNS OF RECENT OCCUPATION.	
370	1441	D COY	CP	REF 22 PL CAMP. OVERNIGHT SLEEPING PLACE FOR 2 MEN ABOUT 3 WEEKS OLD.	
371	1603	C COY	CP	7 PL AT 563887 AMBUSHING TRACK UNTIL DEMOLITIONS COMPLETE. TRACK RUNS SW-NE. NOT USED RECENTLY BUT WELL USED IN PAST	PASSED TO TF
372	1700	C COY	CP	7 PL LOCATED LARGE CACHE AT 560887. CONTAINS MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND DOCUMENTS. HOPE TO CARRY CONTENTS BACK TO COY	PASSED TO TF

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373	1753	C COY	CP	INSTALLATION REPORT. B. BUNKER SYSTEM. C. 261130H. D. 562889. E. 3 BUNKERS RUNNING NORTH-SOUTH, 11 BUNKERS SW - NE, FORMING A VEE. 6 COOKING AREAS. F. 2 PLS. G. SOME WEEKS. H. NIL. I. NORTH AND WEST. J. NO. K. SOME BUNKERS HAD RECEIVED DIRECT HITS FROM ARTY - NO EFFECT.	PASSED TO TF
374	1820	C COY	CP	A. INSTALLATION REPORT. B. CACHE. C. 261710H. D. 5X4 GAL KERO CANS STACKED ON STICKS AND COVERED BY PLASTIC SHEETING, PLASTIC BAG OF CLOROQUIN PILLS APPROX 500, CLOROQUIN INJECTIBLE 50 AMPOULES, VITAMIN B 300 AMPOULES EACH OF 2 MILLILITRES. J. NO. K. DOCUS FEATURE AMAN HONG VIET THANH AGED 32 YEARS FROM BARIA. RECEIPTS AND DOCUS INDICATE A CHANGING HANDS OF LARGE QTY OF MED STORES AND MONEY. SUM OF MONEY 150000 PIASTRE AND 290815 PIASTRE.	
375	1849	TF	CP	COMD VISITING 0845 HRS.	CO AND S3 INFORMED
376	1850	C COY	CP	9 PL TO COMPLETE DESTRUCTION OF BUNKERS. 7 PL RETURNING TO AREA OF CACHE. 8 PL TO DOMINATE WATER POINT AND TRACKS.	
377	1851	D COY	CP	WILL MOVE TO NO, TW, PT AND PR.	
378	1852	V COY	CP	1 PL WILL PATROL SOUTH EAST	
379	1853	CP	C, D, V COY	WE WILL PTL WO, ZV AND INTO LJ.	
380	1940	CP	ALL STAS	SITREP. ALPHA. 1. AT 1130 HRS AT 562889 7/ C COY LOCATED 14 BUNKERS AND 6 COOKING AREAS CAPABLE OF HOLDING 2 PLS. 2. AT 1430 H S AT 665898 4/12/199 BDE LOCATED A CACHE CONTAINING 1X1000 LB METAL LATHE AND 1X1962 DE SOTO TRUCK IN GOOD CONDITION. 3. AT 1652 HRS AT 560887 7/ C COY LOCATED A LARGE CACHE CONTAINING MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND DOCUMENTS. BRAVO. NIGHT LOCATIONS. C COY 557887. D COY 523843. V COY FSPB FLINDERS.	
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381	0700	CP	C COY	REF CACHE. YOU ARE TO BACKLOAD THE FOLLOWING ON YOUR MAINTDEM ALBATROSS AND INCL AN INVENTORY WITH THE EQPT:- 6 AMPOULES OF CLOROQUIN, VITAMEN B 6 AMPOULES, OTROPIN 6 AMPOULES, VITAMIN K 6 AMPOULES, WHITE TABLETS UNK 6, PENYCILLIN 6 BOTTLES, IONICAMPHRE 6 AMPOULES, UNKNOWN DRUGS 6 AMPOULES, CENTIGRADE THERMOMETRES 2, NEEDLES ASSORTED 12, TONGUE DEPRESSOR 1 ADRENALIN 6 AMPOULES, PLASTIC TUBING ALL, COAGULANT 5 AMPOULES, GLASS SYRINGE 1, UNKNOWN MEDICINE BOTTLES 3, MORUTON CRYSTALS 1 BOTTLE, LEOTAX CAMERA 1, STANDARD RADIO 1, MEDICAL BAG 1, ALL DOCUS. SUGGEST WRAP DELICATE ITEMS AS WELL AS POSSIBLE IN CAPTURED CLOTHING AND HAND INTO CUSTODY OF CREWMAN.	
382	1010	C COY	CP	NO CHANCE TO GET MED SUPS ON THIS BACKLOAD, WE WILL GET IT OUT ON NEXT HELI IN.	
383	1030	C COY	CP	7 PL AT 558888 FOUND ANOTHER CACHE. DETAILS TO FOLLOW	PASSED TO TF
384	1036	C COY	CP	REF CAMERA; HAS A FILM IN IT WITH 30 EXPOSED NEGATIVES	PASSED TO TF
385	1038	C COY	CP	REF CAMERA; 30 SHOTS TAKEN - SHOULD BE OK	PASSED TO TF
386	1155	C COY	CP	FIRE ON FOR BLOWING 14 BUNKERS THIS LOC	PASSED TO TF
387	1325	C COY	CP	A. INSTALLATION REPORT. B. CACHE. C. 271025H. D. 558888. E. RAISED PLATFORM COVERED PLASTIC. ITEMS PACKED SERERATE IN PLASTIC BAGS. H. QTY CLOTHING, PLASTIC, SEWING EQPT, TYPEWRITER, 3 SPARE TAPES, 2 BABIES BOTTLES/TEATS, 2 PAIR PLASTIC SANDALS, 2 UNUSED SANITARY PADS, 59 AMPOULES QUINOXSERUM, 10 AMPOULE STRYCHNINE, 10 AMPOULE UNKNOWN DRUG, 5 AMPOULE CHOPHYTOL, 6 AMPOULE PRIMPHRAN, 2 AMPOULES GAUZE WRAPPED UNKNOWN DRUG, 2 BOTTLES VARIOUS PILLS, 15 AMP OULE VITAMEN K, 8 AMPOULES UNKNOWN DRUG, 5 AMPOULE VITAMEN C, 5 AMPOULES VITAMEN BI. 1.50 METRES SOUTH OF CACHE MAJOR TRACK RUNNING SSW. SMALL TRACK PARALLELING MAIN TRAC K LEADING TO CACHE. J. NO. K. 3 EMPTY 4 GAL DRUMS UNDERNEATH PLATFORM. POSSIBLE THIS COULD INDICATED THAT THE CACHE HAD BEEN LARGER.	

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388	1343	V COY	CP	AT 521885 1 PL LOCATED BLACK 1950-52 CITREON, 12 OR MORE MONTHS IN LOC. TYRES FLAT. 2 BULLET HOLES IN REAR WINDOW. REG NO NVA-601.	PASSED TO TF
389	1400	CP	C COY	BACKLOAD TYPEWRITER AND DOCUS, PLUS ANY MED SUPPLIES SAMPLES NOT PREVIOUSLY SENT. DESTROY REMAINDER.	
390	1448	C COY	CP	AT 562888 7 PL LOCATED 14 BUNKERS	PASSED TO TF
391	1625	D COY	CP	WILL REMAIN IN PRESENT LOC WITH 12 PL. 10 PL MP TO VU, VX AND BACK. 11 PL INCL 2IC TO DS/LF JUNCTION THEN PTL 1000 METRES RADIUS. WE HAVE FOUND A FEW TRACKS BUT THEY ARE ALL VERY OLD.	
392	1627	C COY	CP	WE EXPECT TO DEMOLISH BUNKERS APPROX 1730.	
393	1739	C COY	CP	TODAY 7 PL BLEW 14 BUNKERS - BACK IN THAT AREA TOMORROW FOR A MORE COMPLETED SEARCH - AND REPORT.	
394	1830	CP	ALL STAS	SITREP. ALPHA. ONE. AT 1025 HRS AT 588888 7/C COY FOUND A CACHE ON A RAISED PLATFORM COVERED BY PLASTIC. CACHE CONTAINED CLOTHING, 1 TYPEWRITER AND A QTY OF MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND DOCUMENTS. TWO. AT 1343 HRS AT 521885 1/V COY LOC A 1950-52 BLACK CITROEN. BRAVO. NIGHT LOCATIONS. C COY 557887. D COY 523894. V COY FSPB FLINDERS.	
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395	1045	4/12/199	TF	AT APPROX 1030H AT 728895 D/4/12/199 BDE LOC UNKNOWN NO OF VC IN A BASE CAMP. APPROX 20 PERSONS. VC WDR SOUTH. CURRENTLY BEING ENGAGED BY ARTY	PASSED TO C, D, V COYS
396	1204	C COY	CP	PTL FROM 8 PL AT 552887 HAS FOUND SOME BUNKERS. 8 PL MOV TO SEARCH AREA NOW. DETAILS LATER.	
397	1315	C COY	CP	8 PO LOCATED 16 BUNKERS, TRG CAMP, LECTURE ROOM. 1 RPG2 ROUND, 1X60MM MOR ROUND, VACATED 2-3 WEEKS AGO. 548887	PASSED TO TF
398	1635	C COY	CP	KIT CARSON AND PROTECTIVE ELM FROM 9 PL SEARCHING AREA OF 3 WELLS.	
399	1725	C COY	CP	FUTURE INTENTIONS. 8 PL TO BLOW 17 BUNKERS IN NE OF 5588. 7 PL AND KIT CARSON SEARCH OUT TO SOUTH EAST. 9 PL PREPARING WELLS/BUNKERS FOR DEMOLITIONS. KIT CARSON EXTRACTED MIDDLE OF DAY. C COY TO MOVE ON MID AFTERNOON AFTER COMPLETING DEMOLITIONS PRESENT AREA.	
400	1730	C COY	CP	A. INSTALLATION REPORT. B. BUNKER SYSTEM. C. 291200H. D. 548886. E. 17 BUNKERS IN VEE SHAPE 6'X6'X5' DEEP WITH 2 1/2' OHP, 10 BUNKERS NORTH-SOUTH, 7 BUNKERS EAST-WEST. 4 STRUCTURES, LECTURE AREA WITH WIRING VISUAL AID. F. APPROX 50 PERSONS. G. 1 MONTH. H. 1X RPG2 HEAD, 1X RPG2 ROUND COMPLETE, 1 CHICOM GRENADE, 1X 57MM RCL ROUND HEAD, 2X IGNITION TYPE DEVICES, 200XAK47 ROUNDS, 1X HOE. I. NORTH, SOUTH, EAST AND WEST. J. NO. K. NIL.	PASSED TO TF
401	1741	D COY	CP	FUTURE INTENTIONS. 11 PL SEARCH JD THEN SH. 12 PL SEARCH LZ, QD. COY HQ AND 10 PL REMAIN PRESENT LOC.	CO TO VISIT AT 290830H
402	1747	V COY	CP	FUTURE INTENTIONS. LOCAL PATROLS ONLY.	
403	1910	CP	ALL STAS	SITREP. ALPHA. ONE. AT 1030 HRS AT 728895 4/12/199 BDE CONTACTED APPROX 20 VC IN A BASE CAMP. VC WITHDREW SOUTH. 1 VC KIA (POSS). TWO. AT 1200 HRS AT 548886 8/C COY LOCATED 17 BUNKERS CAPABLE OF HOLDING APPROX 50 PERSONS. 1X RCL ROUND, 1X GRENADE AND A SMALL QTY OF SMALL ARMS AMMUNITION RECOVERED. BRAVO. NIGHT LOCATIONS. B COY IN AREA OF 467707 NOT YET IN NIGHT LOCATION. C COY 557887. D COY MINUS 11 PL 559848. 11 PL 567867. V COY FSPB FLINDERS.	

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404	1823	CP	ALL STAS	SITREP. ALPHA. AT 1058 HRS AT 708880 4/12/199 BDE CONTACTED A POSS SQUAD SIZED ELEMENT IN A BASE CAMP AND WERE ENGAGED BY 3 CLAYMORES AND SA FIRE. RESULTS 18 SEWING MACHINES RECOVERED, 1 FRIENDLIE KIA, 4 FRIENDLIE WIA. BRAVO. NIGHT LOCATIONS. C COY 578883. D COY 559848. V COY FSPB FLINDERS.	
	<u>30 NOV 68</u>				
405	1025	TF	CP	G2 REQUESTS THAT 4 RAR PROVIDE TWO LO'S FOR NEXT OP. 1. WITH 18 ARVN DIV. 2. WITH RTAVF. TIMINGS 3 DEC TILL END OF OPERATION	FOR S3
406	1115	CO	CP	ALL LIFT OUT NOW COMPLETE. C IN C SHIP RETURNING TO NUI DAT	PASSED TO S3 AND TF
407	2100	TF	CP	READY REACTION COMPANY IS TO BE ON 1 HOURS NOTICE TO MOVE FROM 010700 HRS. PROBABLE TASK IS TO OCCUPY A DAY BLOCKING POSITION IN THE AREA OF YS 440870 TO YS 460870 TO YS 460850 TO YS 440850. THE COMD OF READY REACTION FORCE AND COY FO ARE TO ATTEND A BRIEFING IN THE G2 OPS OFFICE AT 010800 HRS. FORCE MAY NOT ACTUALLY DEPLOY	PASSED TO OC REACTION COY

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4 RAR
NUI DAT

2 Nov 68

OP CAPITAL
CONFIRMATORY NOTES TO VERBAL ORDERS
GIVEN BY CO 4 RAR/NZ(ANZAC)
AT 1030 HRS 2 NOV 68 AT NUI DAT

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ANNEX C Encl 1

1. 4 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) is to conduct RIF in AO CURTIN.

Execution

2. Gen outline. A two phased op with prelim mov as fols
 - a. Prelim Mov. Deployment of one coy by rd from NUI DAT into AO WATSON
 - b. Phase 1. Deployment by air from NUI DAT and AO WATSON of three coys into AO CURTIN
 - c. Phase 2. RIF in AO CURTIN by two coys.
3. C Coy
 - a. Grouping

(1) Under comd from 030630H	One Combat Engr Team One Tracker Team
(2) Det under comd A Sqn 3 Cav Regt from 030630H until arrival FSPB LION	C Coy Gp
 - b. Tasks
 - (1) Prelim Mov. As ordered by OC A Sqn 3 Cav Regt
 - (2) Phase 1. Air mobile aslt from FSPB LION into LZ area YS 562850, on completion of V Coy air mobile aslt.
 - (3) Phase 2. RIF in area, CHARLIE with emphasis on the spur running SE from YS 525855.
4. D Coy
 - a. Grouping

Under comd from 030630H	One Combat Engr Team
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 - b. Tasks
 - (1) Phase 1. Move by CH47 from NUI DAT to FSPB FLINDERS, area YS 525894
 - (2) Phase 2.
 - (a) Continue development FSPB FLINDERS
 - (b) Protect FSPB FLINDERS
 - (c) Ptl in area DON with not more than two pls by day and one by ni
 - (d) Complete the destruction of bunkers and camps loc by W Coy in areas YS 5388, YS 5489, YS 5589.

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5. V Coya. Grouping

Under comd from 030630H

One Sect Aslt Pnr Pl
One Tracker Teamb. Tasks

- (1) Phase 1. Air mobile aslt from NUI DAT into LZ area YS 582884 on completion of fly in of Bn HQ to TRENTHAM
- (2) Phase 2. RIF in area GEORGE with emphasis on the spurs running SW from YS 561886 and WNW from YS 565869.

6. Mor Pla. Grouping

- (1) Remaining under comd B Coy One sect
- (2) Under comd 4 RAR Rear from 030800H One sect
- (3) Under comd 4 RAR Rear from time of return from TRENTHAM One sect

b. Tasks (Pl minus three sects)

- (1) Phase 1. Fly into LZ TRENTHAM with Bn HQ
- (2) Phase 2. Fire sp as required.

7. Tracker Pla. GroupingUnder comd each C Coy and V Coy
from 030630H

One Tracker Team

b. Tasks. (Pl minus two teams)

- (1) Phase 1. Fly into LZ TRENTHAM with Bn HQ
- (2) Phase 2.
 - (a) Assist in the local def of Bn HQ
 - (b) Hold 2 X 90mm RCL plus ammo ready at TRENTHAM.

8. Aslt Pnr Pla. Grouping

- (1) Remaining under comd B Coy One sect
- (2) Under comd V Coy from 030630H One sect
- (3) Under comd 4 RAR Rear from 030800H One sect
- (4) Under comd 4 RAR Rear from time of return from TRENTHAM One sect

b. Tasks (Pl minus four sects)

- (1) Phase 1. Fly into LZ TRENTHAM with Bn HQ
- (2) Phase 2.
 - (a) Assist in the local def of Bn HQ
 - (b) Pnr tasks as ordered.

9. Bn Base Area

a. Grouping

- (1) Under comd from 030800H One sect Mor Pl
- (2) Under comd from time of return One sect Aslt Pnr Pl
from TRENTHAM One sect Mor Pl
One sect Aslt Pnr Pl

b. Tasks

- (1) Def of 4 RAR Base Area
- (2) Op 4 RAR Rear CP from 030800H until relieved.

10. Arty. Insertion fire plan issued separately.

11. Avn

a. RAAF AHC for mov 3 Nov. Air planning table issued separately

b. One H13

- (1) Pick up from EAGLE FARM at 031150H, FO D Coy. Task: Adjustment and con of prep fire for V Coy and C Coy aslts
- (2) On completion of fire plan proceed to FSPB FLINDERS. Task: Call fwd if required for VR by OC C Coy, OC V Coy
- (3) Remain based on FLINDERS for subsequent tasking.

12. Coord instrs

a. Marked maps show AO, area bdrys, tracks and en instls

b. Timings

- (1) Rd convoy to FSPB LION departs NUI DAT at 030630H
- (2) Fly in commences 031200H

c. Order of Fly in.

Bn HQ)	TRENTHAM	YS	505866
D Coy)	FLINDERS	YS	525894
V Coy			YS	582884
C Coy			YS	562850.

Admin and Log.

13. Med. Dapsone Trial continues. Coys arc to take 7 days sup with them. Fwd Ech is to take a further 14 days sup for resup.

14. Mov. All pers mov fwd of NUI DAT to be arranged by 4 RAR Rear with TFMA Joint Load Control.

15. Resup. All resup from fwd ech loc in Fwd TFMA other than

- a. Hot box meals
- b. Specialist and ord stores.

16. Two laundry bags per sect to be handed in to Coy Q by 021630H.

17. Comd and Sig.

CO Loc.

- a. Prelim Mov NUI DAT
- b. Phase 1. C and C Ship

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c. Phase 2. TRENTHAM

Bn HQ. Loc at TRENTHAM from time of completion of fly in.

FSPB Comd. Maj JPA DEIGHTON is appt comd FSPB FLINDERS.

Radio. All stas open 30 mins prior to mov.

Nicknames.

<u>Nickname</u>	<u>Meaning</u>	<u>Issued by</u>
GOOD TIME	PZ ready	OC C Coy
TRY AGAIN	Moving from LZ to AO	OC C Coy, OC V Coy.

K. Sullivan.....Maj
Ops Offr

Comd

AIR PLANNING TABLE DATE : 3 Nov 68

SERIAL	SUB UNIT	PZ			LZ							
		LOCATION	TIME	C/S	FREQ	LOCATION	COMPLETE TIME	C/S	FREQ	LOAD	SORTIES	AC
1	Bn HQ	KANGA	1150			TRENTHAM	1230	62	49.10	76	11	9 ALB
2	D Coy	E FARM	1200	95	49.10	FLINDERS	1410	6	49.10	100 + 2000 lb	4	1 CH47
3	V Coy	KANGA	1300	5	47.50	577870	1315			63	9	9 ALB
4	V Coy	KANGA	1330	5	47.50	577870	1345	5A	47.50	30	5	5 ALB
5	C Coy	LION 6181	1350	3	47.50	562850	1400			63	9	9 ALB
6	C Coy	LION 6181	1405	3	47.50	562850	1410	3A	47.50	33	5	5 ALB

NOTES

1. C and C Ship E FARM 1230 hrs. CO, 2IC, BC, Regt Sig, Arty Sig
2. AC fms and approaches are:
 - a. KANGA WEST TO EAST staggered trail RIGHT
 - b. V Coy LZ NW TO SE. Trail
 - c. C Coy PZ NORTH to SOUTH
 - d. C Coy LZ NW to SE Staggered trail LEFT

ANNEX H ENCL 1

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

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ANNEX H Encl 2

LIEUTENANT COLONEL LR GREVILLE

COMMANDING OFFICER

4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) BN

NUI DAT

4 Nov 68

RO Nos V188 - V194

<u>RO No</u>	<u>Title</u>
V188	ADMINISTRATION OF COMMAND
V189	RE ALLOCATION OF SOLDIERS TO OTHER CORPS
V190	AAF-A4 (CHARGE SHEET) DISTRIBUTION
V191	VIETNAMESE CAMPAIGN MEDAL
V192	QUALIFICATIONS FOR GROUP 6
V193	R AND R LEAVE BAGGAGE ALLOWANCES
V194	CLAIMS

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V188 ADMINISTRATION OF COMMAND

1. 31352 Maj ATA MATAIRA MBE is appointed to administer command of 4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn for all purposes other than discipline of the AUSTRALIAN members of the Battalion, during the absence of 2376 Lt Col LR GREVILLE from 7 Nov 68 to 20 Nov 68 inclusive.
2. 57042 Maj TR SULLIVAN MBE is appointed to administer command of all AUSTRALIAN members of 4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn for disciplinary purposes during the absence of 2376 Lt Col LR GREVILLE from 7 Nov 68 to 20 Nov 68 inclusive.

V189 RE-ALLOCATION OF SOLDIERS TO OTHER CORPS

1. ARO 149/67 lays down that soldiers may appear before a re-allocation board if they satisfy one of the following requirements:
 - a. Are due for re-engagement within three months and have requested re-allocation to another Corps.
 - b. Are NSM and have been accepted for enlistment in the ARA and have requested re-allocation.
 - c. Are no longer fit for full duties within their present Corps.
2. The following is an extract from AHQ DM 502-3-3 of 11 Oct 68 which elaborates on the policy laid down in ARO 149/67.
 - a. Present policy limits the NS content of Infantry Battalions to 50 per cent. This limitation forces an allocation of Regular recruits to RA Inf above what would normally be required to man that Corps.
 - b. It is therefore desirable that men who have served an operational tour in an Infantry unit be re-allocated, if they wish to another Corps, (on return to Australia).
3. Any queries regarding re-allocation should be addressed to the Asst Adjt.

V190 AAF-A4 (CHARGE SHEET) DISTRIBUTION

1. To facilitate action of AAF-A4s the following new distribution will be adhered to when preparing Charge Sheets;

HQ 1 ATF
CARO (AUSTREC SAIGON)
APAC (UPR)
File (RP Sect)
File (Sub Unit)

V191 VIETNAMESE CAMPAIGN MEDAL

The following members have qualified for the above Medal on the dates shown:

35162	Maj	JPA DEIGHTON	26 Oct 68
235154	Maj	WJ REYNOLDS	3 Nov 68

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V192 QUALIFICATIONS FOR GROUP 6

The following soldier has qualified at Group 6 standard in the following subject:

1200195 Pte MJ KANOWSKI Map Reading/Air Photo

V193 R AND R LEAVE BAGGAGE ALLOWANCES

1. Advice has been received from the American R and R authorities of personnel departing R and R with baggage in excess of their entitlement. The allowance is:

- a. To Australia 66 lbs.
- b. To other centres 44 lbs.

2. This allowance will be strictly enforced by the American R and R authorities and excess baggage will not be permitted on the R and R flights.

V194 CLAIMS

AAF's - TS4 for Saigon living allowance are being received with the certification signed by officers of the soldiers unit. The only officer who can certify such a claim is OC HQ Coy AFV. Soldiers who lodge claims for Saigon living allowance should complete the claim in Saigon, have it certified at HQ Coy and submit it to the Pay Sgt on their return to NUI DAT.


2Lt
Asst Adjt
4 RAR/4Z (ANZAC) Bn

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Distribution; see below

ANNEX H Encl 3

4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) - DUTY COMMITMENTS

1. The duty requirement is in two parts.
 - a. 1 ATF operational requirement.
 - b. 4 RAR Defence and TAOR requirement.
2. The Roster is at Annex "A".
3. 1 ATF duties entail.
 - a. Ready Reaction Coy : wef 170800 the 1 ATF Ready Reaction Force is to consist of :
 - (1) Coy HQ
 - (2) Two pls.
 - b. Cavmobile Escort : This is in two parts :
 - (1) Gunship escort; (2xLR) provided by Admin Coy.
 - (2) One pl; provided by the Ready Reaction Coy and leaving the requirement stated in para 1a above.
4. 4 RAR duties entail.
 - a. TAOR ptls; two ptls daily in the TAOR of str 1 NCO and 6 OR.
 - b. Convoys. The requirement is as follows:
 - (1) 14/15 Nov relief of W1 Coy by W2 Coy. On afternoon convoy W2 Coy is responsible for providing escorts on the return of empty vehs from VUNG TAU.
 - (2) 16 Nov: Convoy to HORSESHOE feature to move heavy stores prior to changeover of W2 Coy and B Coy. 2IC W2 Coy and COMS B Coy are responsible for the co-ord of this convoy. This is to include escorts.
 - c. Perimeter Defence.
 - (1) B Coy by Sp Coy until 17 Nov.
 - (2) V Coy wef 141830 to 180630 - W Coy
wef 181830 until relieved - Sp Coy
 - (3) C Coy by D Coy.
 - d. Engr Work/Protection Parties: These will be produced by all coys on a soldier available basis and will be co-ord by the RSM Rear Details by 1600 hrs prior to the fol morning.
5. W2 Coy will changeover with B Coy at the HORSESHOE feature on 18 Nov.
 - a. The move will be by air other than that mentioned in para 4b (2).
 - b. Advance/Rear Parties will be as arranged by W2 and B Coys.
 - c. W2 Coy on occupation of the HORSESHOE comes under op con 1 ATF.
B Coy on departure reverts to 4 RAR.

Morrison
Maj
(M C MORRISON)
OC Rear Details

Distribution

- B Coy (5)
- C Coy (5)
- D Coy (5)
- V Coy (5)
- W Coy (5)
- Sp Coy (7)
- Admin Coy (4)
- 4 RAR(Main)
- Admin Comd
- Ops Offr
- OC Admin Coy
- Adjt
- Sgt Huish
- NZ Component
- CP (Rear) (2)
- 1 ATF
- Comds Diary (3)

ANNEX

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Distribution: see below

The duty requirement is in two parts:

1. 1 ATF's operational requirement.
2. 4 RAR Defence and TAOR requirements.

The roster is at Annex "A".

1 ATF duties entail:

- a. Heavy Reaction Coy: see 170800 and 1 ATF
- b. to consist of:

- (1) Coy HQ
- (2) Two pl.

Guerrilla Escort: This is in two parts:

- (1) Guerrilla escort: (RAR) provided by Admin Coy.
- (2) One pl: provided by the Heavy Reaction Coy and leaving the requirement stated in para 4 above.

4 RAR duties entail:

- a. TAOR duty: two platoons in the TAOR of str 1 HQ and 6 OR.
- b. Convoys: The requirement is as follows:
 - (1) 14/15 Nov relief of W1 Coy by W2 Coy. On afternoon convoy W2 Coy is responsible for providing escorts on the return of empty vans from VUNG TAU.
 - (2) 16 Nov: Convoy to HORSESHOE feature to move heavy stores prior to changeover of W2 Coy and B Coy. SIG W2 Coy and GMS B Coy are responsible for the co-ord of this convoy. This is to include escorts.

Perimeter Defence:

- (1) B Coy by B Coy until 17 Nov.
- (2) V Coy with 14130 to 180630 - W Coy
- (3) G Coy by D Coy.

4. Bank Work/Perimeter Defence: These will be produced by all coys on a soldier available basis and will be co-ord by the RSM Rear Details by 1600 hrs prior to the 1st morning.

W2 Coy will changeover with B Coy at the HORSESHOE feature on 18 Nov.

- a. The above will be by air other than that mentioned in para 4b (2).
- b. Advance/Rear Parties will be as arranged by W2 and B Coys.
- c. W2 Coy on occupation of the HORSESHOE comes under op con 1 ATF.
- d. B Coy on departure reverts to 4 RAR.

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 (M C MORRISON)
 CO Rear Details

4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) REAR DETAILS-DUTY COMMITMENTS

Annex A to 4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn
R256-1-1 dated 13 Nov 68.

	<u>TAOR ptls</u>	<u>Ready Reaction Coy</u>	<u>Cavmobile Gunships</u>	<u>Cavmobile pl escort</u>	<u>Convoys</u>	<u>Def B Coy</u>
14 Nov	B/D	-	Admin	-	Admin	Sp
15 Nov	Sp/C	-	Admin	-	Admin	Sp
16 Nov	Admin/W	-	Admin	-	Admin	Sp
17 Nov	V/D	W	Admin	W	Admin	Sp
18 Nov	Sp/C	Composite as arranged	Admin	Composite from 1 ATF	-	Sp
19 Nov	Admin/B	by 1 ATF	Admin	B	-	-
20 Nov	V/D	B	Admin	B	-	-
21 Nov	Sp/C	B	Admin	B	-	-
22 Nov	Admin/B	B	Admin	B	-	-

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

BY

MAJOR AFA MATAIRA MBE

ADMINISTERING COMMAND

4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) BN

NUI DAT

16 Nov 68

RO Nos V195 - V198

ANNEX H Encl 4

<u>RO No</u>	<u>Title</u>
V195	HELIPAD SAFETY
V196	VIETNAMESE CAMPAIGN MEDAL
V197	QUALIFICATIONS FOR GROUP 6
V198	REST AND RECREATION LEAVE

NOTICE

A LETTER FROM THE PRIME MINISTER OF NEW ZEALAND MR K HOLYOAKE

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V195

HELIPAD SAFETY

1. There has been a case of a near accident being caused by loose material being thrown up in the down draft of a helicopter. All ranks are to be made aware of the following requirements for personnel on or near helipads:

- a. No one will wear a hat.
- b. All sweat rags will be securely fastened to the body.
- c. Care is to be taken with items projecting from the person (eg entrenching tools, machetes).
- d. Personnel controlling stores on helipads are to ensure that they are securely fastened or held down so as to prevent movement in the down draft.

2. Commanders of groups on or near helipads are to ensure that the above requirements are strictly enforced.

V196

VIETNAMESE CAMPAIGN MEDAL

The following members have qualified for the above Medal on the dates shown:

				12 Nov 68			
17989	Pte	JA	DUNSTAN	39193	Pte	GC	FAULKHEAD
1732977	"	P	HORN	2787722	"	RJ	KENNEDY
214073	Sgt	NR	McPARLAND	1733055	"	BJ	SEITLER
1410845	Lop1	KA	WALKER	38261	"	GA	WALTERS
39258	Pte	BCT	WRATTEN	54420	Capt	EL	QUARTERMAINE
2787078	2Lt	RA	SILLAR	44375	2Lt	DM	STEWART
1201400	2Lt	PB	SHEEDY	2784078	2Lt	PJ	VIAL
14653	Sgt	WV	JORDAN	15279	Sgt	AJ	McLEAN
42577	Cpl	KW	KNOWLES	2411933	Cpl	GT	LEA
1732946	Pte	CS	CORSER	5715218	Pte	BJ	CAMPBELL
3791981	Pte	DM	DAVIDSON	1733131	Pte	JR	LOVE
1733133	Pte	LW	McKINNON	52852	Lop1	HO	BECKE
214735	2Lt	KR	BENIER	4719015	2Lt	TR	COOTES
37844	Cpl	M	FARRELL	36633	Sgt	TW	GRAHAM
55368	Pte	RP	GRUNDY	17889	Cpl	G	JOSEPHS
17057	Maj	BDV	LINDSAY	37970	Cpl	GJ	LIPSCOMBE
1732900	Pte	GT	SHEEDY	54252	Sgt	RK	STEPHENS
1200620	2Lt	JA	PIETZNER	36114	WO2	JS	CANTON
22822	WO2	LG	O'KENNE	33657	WO2	JR	PEILE
1200277	Cpl	EJ	BEASLEY	27466	Cpl	LT	DOOHAN
48607	Cpl	AR	ROWLANDS	29714	Cpl	KJ	TAYLOR
2786445	Cpl	AE	WALLACE	43308	Lop1	T	ADAMCEWICZ
37876	Lop1	M	BRAUN	54696	Lop1	WD	HAUMILL
4410381	Pte	GJ	BARNES	4719011	Cfn	PD	CLOSE
37532	Pte	GP	GRAHAM	42449	Pte	AJ	HINPON
36937	Pte	GE	McMABB	5411314	Pte	TJ	PLANT
54896	Pto	VW	SALIS	29483	Capt	BJ	AVERY
17882	Cpl	WE	BRAY	33034	Ssgt	DW	BLACKFORD
54227	Lop1	BL	CULLING	53298	Sgt	DN	COOK
43211	Lop1	GM	CARMODY	43531	Lop1	FA	CAIRNS
2117035	Pte	PM	COWAN	3787892	Pte	WH	CLAYTON
37395	Sgt	T	DAVIDSON	214298	Cpl	NA	FAIRLEY
15348	Cpl	PF	FISHER	43275	Cpl	D	FAUST
54193	Cpl	WL	GREENWELL	22891	Ssgt	F	GALVIN
1732972	Pte	TJ	GRANT	44102	Ssgt	AT	HORDER
41950	Sgt	GN	HUIISH	17967	Lop1	DW	HILE
54342	Cpl	B	HOWIESON	17080	Capt	JH	INNES
214116	Cpl	MN	JOHNS	16614	Lop1	RC	LOW
29434	Sgt	TP	MUIR	215149	Cpl	AD	ROBINSON

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215610	Lop1	RL	ROWLEY	2786799	Pte	DG	RICHARDSON
1200269	2Lt	RL	SAYCE	3791223	Pte	MC	SILVEY
57042	Maj	TR	SULLIVAN	14966	Capt	NJ	UNDERWOOD
14540	Sgt	RJ	VOSS	15638	Sgt	GL	VILLALBA
3785576	Pte	PM	WALKADEN	37974	Sgt	RM	WEARNE
214528	Lop1	WJ	WALPOLE	15080	Sgt	PR	WEBBER

10 Nov 68

2412573 Pte RW HUNTER 216793 Pte DF SYMINGTON

V197 QUALIFICATIONS FOR GROUP 6

The following members have qualified at Group 6 standard in the following subjects:

1200195 Pte MJ KANOWSKI
4410534 Cpl DK JENKIN

Air Photo/Map Reading Voice Procedure

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V198 REST AND RECREATION LEAVE

Once a soldier has been nominated for a certain R and R centre on a certain date the only reason he may change will be for medical reasons.

J. Rule
2Lt
(JC Rule)
Asst Adjt
4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn

NOTICE

A LETTER FROM THE PRIME MINISTER OF NEW ZEALAND MR K HOLYOAKE

" This note is just to record my warmest appreciation of all your courtesy and hospitality to me and the members of my party when I had the privilege of visiting your Group recently.

It was a delightful surprise to receive a plaque from you and I will treasure this as a reminder of a most interesting and enjoyable hour or two spent with you, your officers and men. You all made me very welcome and it is obvious that you extend the same warm hospitality to the New Zealand group who are serving with you.

Over the next few days I shall be reporting on my visit to South Vietnam and I shall not fail to tell my colleagues of my good time in Nui Dat.

With kind regards and warmest good wishes,

Yours sincerely,"

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4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC)Bn
NUI DAT

16 Nov 68

Distribution: see below

VISIT OF COL PHG HAMILTON CBE

ANNEX H Encl 5

COMD NZ FORCE FE - 18 NOV 68

1. Col HAMILTON will be making a farewell visit to 1 ATF on 18 Nov 68 prior to relinquishing his present appointment. He will be accompanied by Capt NS KIDD during his visit.

2. The itinerary of visit is attached as Annex 'A'

M. J. Mataira

Maj for

Maj
ATA MATAIRA
ADMIN COMD
4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC)Bn
(AOD).

Annex

'A' ITINERARY OF VISIT.

Distribution:

B Coy	Tpt
O Coy	NZ Comp
D Coy	1 ATF (2)
D Coy	G2 Air 1 ATF
V Coy	NZ V Force (5)
Sp Coy	Comds Diary (4)
Admin Coy	File
4 RAR (Main)	
Fwd Ech	
Admin Comd	
Adjt	
161 Bty (2)	

Annex A to 4 RAR R875-1-9
of Nov 68

ITINERARY OF VISIT - COL PHG HAMILTON OBE

Serial	Time	Event	Remarks
1	0830	Arrive KANGAROO by MACV heli	1. Met by Capt KIDD 2. H 1 required
2	0835-0900	Briefing 1 ATF Ops Room	Capt MG BARWICK GSO3 (ops)
3	0920-0940	Visit FSPB LION	Met by Brig CMI PEARSON OBE MG Comd 1 ATF
4	0950-1030	Visit Bn HQ 4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn at Trentham	1. Met by Maj ATA MATAIRA MBE Admin Comd 2. Morning Tea
5	1045-1130	Visit 4 RAR NUI DAT	Met by Maj MC MORRISON OC Admin Coy
6	1140-1330	Visit 161 Bty NUI DAT	1. Met by Maj JO'B HORSEFORD 2. Luncheon 161 Bty
7	1340	Depart 1 ATF	

Note: An Iroquois helicopter is required between 0900-1030 to fly
KANGAROO = LION - TRENTHAM - KANGAROO

MESSAGE FORM

ANNEX H Encl 6

ROUTINE

210145 Z (NOV 68)

UNCLAS

FROM: 4 RAR

A 709

TO: LIST C

IT HAS BEEN ANNOUNCED THAT AS A RESULT OF THE 7 PL CONTACT ON 13 SEP 68 THE FOLLOWING DECORATIONS HAVE BEEN AWARDED (.) 2LT TG REIDY MILITARY CROSS CMM SGT MR CARROLL DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

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BY

LIEUTENANT COLONEL LR GREVILLE

COMMANDING OFFICER

4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) BN

NUI DAT

24 Nov 68

RO Nos V199 - V204

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NOTICES

DEREK OVERTON APPEAL

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V 199

BAR HOURS - SUB-UNIT CANTEENS

1. On normal work days the bar hours for sub unit canteens and messes are not to exceed the following

BN IN 1 ATF BASE

1630-1700 hrs and
1930-2130 hrs

BN-ON OPS

1630-1730 hrs.

2. On days nominated by the CO an additional period from 1130-1230 hours may be authorised.

3. The above hours may be extended for a special occasion but approval must be obtained through Bn HQ.

V 200

FINGER INJURIES - WEARING OF RINGS

1. Cases of serious finger injury continue to occur as a result of soldiers wearing rings while on duty. In all cases the injury necessitates hospitalization for 2-3 weeks and in most cases results in amputation of all or part of the finger.

2. The injury is caused when the ring catches in a projection as the soldier jumps from a vehicle. This is a preventable injury, requires considerable medical care, results in manpower wastage and causes considerable pain to the soldier.

3. The hazard involved in soldiers wearing a ring is to be brought to the notice of all ranks.

V 201

QUALIFICATIONS FOR GROUP 6 MILITARY SKILLS

1. 42951 Cpl BJ CARBONE has qualified in Air Photo, Map Reading and Voice Procedure for Group 6 Military Skills.

V 202

ALLIANCE

1. Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II has authorised an alliance between The Royal Australian Regiment and The First Battalion, the Royal New Zealand Infantry Regiment.

V 203

SWIMMING POOL

1. The first of two portable swimming pools is now available for use. It is situated behind the water point on the North side of Luscombe field. Access to the pool is via the road around the Western end of Luscombe field, not through 1 RAR area. The pool is to be used only between 0800 hrs and 1800 hrs daily.

2. All personnel are to shower before entering the pool. There is a shower on site.

3. Nude bathing is forbidden.

4. The filtration equipment is not to be touched except by the pool attendant.

V 204

VIETNAMESE CAMPAIGN MEDAL

1. 235166 Maj MC MORRISON qualified for the above medal on 1 Nov 68.

J. Kule
2Lt.
Asst. Adjt

NOTICE

DEREK OVERTON APPEAL

1. The members of 17 Const Sqn wish to thank the members of your unit for

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their kindness in supporting the above appeal.

2. The generosity of the members of all units in the Task Force/ALSG areas was outstanding and the success of the barbecue held on 16 Nov 68 was most gratifying.

27 Nov 68

R850-68-7

Distribution: see below.

4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) RE-TRAINING
PERIOD 4-12 DEC 68
GENERAL

ANNEX H Encl 8

Introduction

1. During the period 4-12 Dec 68, 4 RAR will be released from ops so that unit re-training can be conducted.
2. The re-training is to take the form of a series of unit courses, run concurrently with sub unit refresher training.
3. This instr is issued so that all concerned are aware of the requirements and the nec prep can take place.
4. The period 30 Nov to 3 Dec is to be devoted to normal post op maint and admin. By 040800H all soldiers are to be prep for ops.

PART 1 - UNIT COURSES

Aims

5. The aims of these courses are:
 - a. To provide within the unit a reserve of specialists, so that if nec rfts are quickly aval.
 - b. To provide the nucleus of specialists required on RTA.
 - c. To qualify soldiers for the First Aid requirement for Military Grouping.

Scope

6. Courses to be run are:

a. Mor Course.	Supervising Offr.
b. Sig Course.	Capt B J AVERY
c. Atk Course.	Capt J H INNES
d. Aslt Pnr Course.	Lt R L SAYCE
e. Int Dutymans Course.	Lt C B PEPPER
f. Unit First Aid Course.	Capt D D MCKENZIE
	Capt E D LEWIS

7. Detailed syllabii are att as Annexes A to F incl.

Eligibility

8. Soldiers nominated to attend all courses other than the First Aid Course must be either ARA with a min of 12 months to serve, or NS with a discharge date later than Aug 69.
9. Soldiers nominated for the First Aid Course should be under consideration for upgrading or employment as pl med orderlies.

Allocation of vacancies

10. B Coy, C Coy, D Coy and V Coy are each to nominate four soldiers for each course listed in para 12.
11. Nominations are to be forwarded to OC Sp Coy by 0900 hrs 2 Dec.

Allocation of time

12. Course dates are:

- a. Mor Course 040800 to 121625H.
- b. Sig Course 040800 to 121625H.
- c. Atk Course 040800 to 111455H.
- d. Aslt Pnr Course 040800 to 121455H.
- e. Int Dutymen Course 040800 to 121625H.
- f. First Aid Course 040800 to 071625H.
080800 to 121625H.

Course Admin

13. All students will:

- a. Remain on parent coy roll books.
- b. Eat in parent coy messes and sleep in coy lines.
- c. Require note books and pencils/biros.
- d. Be unaval for coy duties for the duration of their course.
- e. Report at 0800 hrs 4 Dec at the fol locs wearing long greens, shirts, bush hats and boots GP under the con of the senior soldier.

- (1) Mor Course Mor Pl Compound.
- (2) Sig Course Sig Pl Store.
- (3) Atk Course Atk Pl Store.
- (4) Aslt Pnr Course Aslt Pnr Pl Store.
- (5) Int Dutymen Course Int Office.
- (6) First Aid Course RAP.

Note: Soldiers for the second First Aid Course report at 0800 hrs 3 Dec.

Daily Programme

14. This is to be issued to students on march in.

15. With the exception of Day 1, the daily programme is based on the fol timings:

<u>Time (hrs)</u>	<u>Activity</u>
0815 - 0825	Course parade.
0830 - 0910	First trg period.
0915 - 0955	Second trg period.
1015 - 1055	Third trg period.
1100 - 1140	Fourth trg period.
1145 - 1225	Fifth trg period.
1230 - 1325	Lunch.
1330 - 1410	Sixth trg period.
1415 - 1455	Seventh trg period.
1500 - 1540	Eighth trg period.
1545 - 1625	Ninth trg period.
1930 - 2100	Ni trg (max 4 nights).

16. Course supervising officers are to submit their Daily Trg Programmes to OC Sp Coy by 1400 hrs 2 Dec for approval.

PART II - SUB UNIT TRG

17. On 17 and 19 Dec members of NS Intake 1/67 are scheduled for RPA. Replacements for them are to be received on approx 1 and 10 Dec. A detailed allocation will be notified separately.

Aim

18. The aim of this trg is to refresh soldiers in basic skills they may not have practised and to assimilate the rfts into the org.

Scope

19. The fol subjects are to be covered:
- a. Voice Procedure.
 - b. Con of Arty and Mor Fire.
 - c. SA wpn handling and shooting.
 - d. The setting of claymores and trip flares.
20. Coy conds are to discuss their plans with CO by 3 Dec.

Co-ordination

21. Bids for facilities and sp outside the sub units' resources are to be made to OC Sp Coy at least 24 hrs in adv of the requirement.

Unit Administration

22. A separate admin instr is to issued setting out the A and Q functions of the unit which are also to be checked during the period.

L R Greville Lt Col
for. (L R GREVILLE)
CO 4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn

Distribution

B Coy (3)
C Coy (3)
D Coy (3)
V Coy (3)
W Coy (3)
Sp Coy (3)
Admin Coy (5)
Mor Pl (2)
Sig Pl (3)
Atk Pl (2)
Aslt Pnr Pl (2)
RAP (2)
HQ 1 ATF (5)
CO
2IC
Ops Offr
BC
Adjt
IO
RMO
File
Comds Diary (4)✓

BASIC MORTAR COURSE
DETAILED SYLLABUS

	DAY	NIGHT
ORGANISATION Mor Pl	1	
CHARACTERISTICS 81 mm Mor	1	
AMMUNITION	1	
SAFETY	1	
<u>MORTAR HANDLING</u>		
Description, Assembly, Dismantling	1	
Action, Cease fire drills	2	
Baseplate preparation	3	
Sights and aiming	1	1
Laying the mortar	3	1
Night aiming (day lesson)	1	
Firing drills	1	
Misfire drills	1	
Paralleling by sights	1	
Lines of fire coming into action	2	2
Barrel obstruction, scale slippage	1	
Practise drills	8	
<u>LIVE FIRING</u>		
Day and night	17	2
<u>MAINTENANCE</u>	9	
<u>VOICE PROCEDURE</u>		
AN PRC 25 set	1	
Establishing Communication	1	
Prowords, Callsigns	3	
Relay procedure		1
Practical		1
<u>CP PROCEDURES AND PLOTTING</u>		
The Fire Mission	1	
Adjustment by Ranging	1	
CP Procedure	1	
The Plotting Board	1	
Computer Record Sheet	1	
Task Table, Target Record Sheet	1	
Plotting Practise	8	
<u>FIRE CONTROL</u>		
Fire for effect. Adj Scales	1	
Link Shoot, Converge	1	
Predicted Shoot	1	
RESERVE PERIOD	4	
	<u>81</u>	<u>8</u>

VOICE PROCEDURE
DETAILED SYLLABUS

Code: VP

Periods: 40

<u>Code</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Period Reference</u>
VP 1	Introduction to Voice Procedure	
	Principles of Voice Procedure.	1
VP 2	Types of calls	1
VP 3	Revision VP 1 and VP 2	1
VP 4	The radio net - establishing communications	1
VP 5-6	Revision and practical VP 4	2
VP 7	Radio Appointment Titles. The phonetic alphabet	1
VP 8	Revision VP 7	1
VP 9	Spelling, figures, punctuation	1
VP 10-11	Practical VP 9	2
VP 12	Working under difficult conditions	1
VP 13	Repetitions, unknown stations	1
VP 14	Revision VP 9, 12, 13	1
VP 15-16	Practical Voice Procedure	2
VP 16	Long Message Procedure	1
VP 18-19	Practical VP 17	2
VP 20-21	Practical Voice Procedure	2
VP 22-23	Relay Procedure	2
VP 24-25	Practical VP 22	2
VP 26	Rebroadcast Procedure	1
VP 27	Authentication	1
VP 28	Revision VP 17, 22, 26, 27	1
VP 29	Fixed call signs - Inf, Arty, Armd	1
VP 30	SOI and Radio Diagrams	1
VP 31-34	General Revision	4
VP 35-40	Practical Voice Procedure	6
		<u>40</u>

EXERCISES

Code: Ex

Periods: 12

Ex 1-4	VHF Static ex
Ex 5-8	VHF Manpack ex
Ex 9-12	Line ex

ADMIN

Code: Adm

Periods

Adm 1-9

9

RESERVED

Code: Res

Periods

Res 1-10

10

LINE TRAINING

Code: LT

Periods: 8

<u>Code</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Period Reference</u>
LT 1	Introduction and characteristics	1
LT 2	Line sig eqpt and types of cable	1
LT 3	Fault finding and repair of line	1
LT 4	Practical line maintenance	1
LT 5	Switchboard procedure incl setting up and operating	1
LT 6	Sig Centre Procedure	1
LT 7	Practical switchboard operation	2
		<u>8</u>

BIG EQPTS (RADIO)

Code: RE

Periods: 2

- RE 1 AN/PRC 25: Setting up and operating, maintenance.
RE 2 AN/GRA 39A: Setting up and operating, maintenance.

VOICE CODES

Code: VC

Periods: 4

- VC 1 KAC Operations Code, 'Q' hour, Point of Origin Map Code.
VC 2 Numeral Code, Authentication Code, Shackle.
VC 3-4 Practical Application VC1, VC 2.

AERIALS

Code: AE

Periods: 4

- AE 1 Aerial Theory; types of VHF aerials in use.
AE 2 Demonstration of, erection and dismantling:
elevated rod, $\frac{1}{2}\lambda$ dipole, $\frac{1}{4}\lambda$ groundplane, 27 ft mast, RC 292.
AE 3-4 Practical AE 2.

ATK COURSE - DETAILED SYLLABUS

<u>Serial</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Periods</u>	
		<u>Day</u>	<u>Night</u>
	<u>106 mm RCL</u>		
1	Intro and gen description and safety precaution.	1	
2	Characteristics of the 106 mm RCL and wpn carrier	1	
3	Stripping and Assembling	1	
4	Introduction to Gun Drills	1	
5	Gun drill - dismounted	2	
6	Gun drill - mounted	2	
7	Load and unload (incl 50 cal) Make safe	1	
8	Misfire drills	1	
9	Stoppages 50 cal	2	
10	How the gun works		1
11	Introduction to aiming and Rectial Sight and Ni Firing eqpt	1	
12	Laying and Aiming (Prac)	3	
13	Bore sighting and matching	2	
14	Fire orders and Tgt Indication		2
15	Arms		1
16	Servicing before and after firing	1	
17	Sub Calibre Device, Introduction Stripping and Assembling	2	
18	The Gun Pit, CBS and Stores		1
19	Live firing	16	
20	Practical Revision	5	
	<u>90 mm RCL</u>		
21	Introduction, general description safety Precautions	1	
22	Characteristics		1
23	Stripping and Assembling	1	
24	Sight and Night Lamp		1
25	Holding and aiming	1	
26	Load and unload	1	
27	Misfire drills	1	
28	Boresighting	1	
29	Cleaning before and after firing	1	
30	Ammunition		1
31	Live firing	8	
32	Revision Practical	2	
33	Reserved		
	Total	<u>70</u>	<u>8</u>

PNR COURSE DETAILED SYLLABUS

		Day	Night
1	Course Intro		
2	Care, use and maint of tools	1	
3	Read and track constz and maint (lec)	2	
4	Chain Saw:	2	
	a. Intro, safety, practical	2	
	b. Cleaning after use	1	
5	COBRA		
	a. Introduction and operation	1	
	b. Theory	1	
	c. Practical	2	
	d. Cleaning after use	1	
6	Defence Works (lec)	1	
7	WIRING		
	a. Types of Fence	1	
	b. Methods of laying	1	
	c. Prac night work		2
8	EXPLOSIVES		
	a. Theory	1	
	b. Current VM Explosives and Flares	2	
	c. Uses of explosives	2	
	d. Ring Mains (prac)	1	
	e. Beehives and Shaped Charges	2	
9	Bridging and Culverts	1	
10	Mines and Booby Traps Intro	1	
	a. Mine Mechanisms and B Trap Switches	2	
	b. Current Aust Mines	4	
	c. Claymore (Prac and Demo)	2	
	d. Minefields	1	
	e. Mine Detector	2	
	f. Engr VC B Trap (lec)	3	
	g. Minefield laying mark, Record	1	
	h. Lay Minefield (Prac)	7	
	i. Mine Clearance	1	
	j. Clear Minefield (Prac)	4	
	k. Booby Trap Clearance	1	
	l. Booby Trap Ex	5	
11	Watermanship and River Crossing		1
12	Flame Thrower (2 Theory, 2 Prac)		
13	CONCRETING:	4	
	a. Mixtures		
	b. Laying		
	c. Prac (3)		
14	Sandbagging	5	
15	Tests	2	
16	Course Admin		5
		<u>9</u>	<u>8</u>
		79	8

INT DUTYMAN'S COURSE
DETAILED SYLLABUS

Subject	No Periods
Opening address	1
Responsibilities of Int Staff	2
SOP's including reports	3
Abbreviations	4
Service Writing	1
Military Symbols	4
Commanders Diary	1
CP Logs	4
Codes	2
V oice Procedure	2
Enemy Orbat	2
Enemy Weapons	2
Disposal of Captured Eqpt/PW	1
Contact and Combat After Action Reports	1
Card Index System	1
Maps, Overlays, Sketches (lec)	3
Map Indent and Storage	6
Map Copying Lec/Prac	9
Traversing and Sketching	4
Overlays Prac	10
Map Enlarging Lec/Prac	8
Air Photo Reading	4
Exam	2
Exam Marking and Critique	5
Reserve	9
Course Admin	89

Day Periods 83
 Night Periods 6

FIRST AID COURSE-DETAILED SYLLABUS

Serial	Subject	Periods
1	Basic Anatomy and Physiology	2
2	Basic First Aid	12
3	Bandaging and Dressings	9
	Splinting	
	Asepsis/Antisepsis	
	Stretcher Techniques	
4	Emergency Treatment	3
5	Revision	4
6	Course Admin	4
7	Tests	2
	Total	<u>36</u>

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28 Nov 68

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Distribution: See below

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POST OPERATION ADMINISTRATION - OP CAPITAL IIGeneral

1. In conjunction with the unit retraining programme (4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn R850-68-7 dated 27 Nov 68 refers) there will be an administrative check period. The check will be conducted from within unit resources, with assistance from AFV checking teams. W Coy will NOT be included in checks, other than EIS Inspections.

Scope

2. The checks cover the following aspects of unit administration.
- a. "A" aspects
 1. Bn HQ and Coy HQ document checks.
 2. Unit Financial Accounts. (Regimental Audit)
 - b. "Q" aspects
 1. Q audit by AFV.
 2. EIS Inspections involving all eqpt.
 - c. Dental Checks (ALL RANKS)

In addition soldiers will be rotated through the Beach Annex at Vung Tau on a Coy basis.

AFV A/Q Audit

3. The AFV A/Q Audit will be in the unit area between 4 - 12 Dec 68 to check all A/Q aspects. This team is designed to:
- a. Check that correct administrative procedures are being adhered to.
 - b. Assist units on peace administration prior to RTA. The detailed Time schedule is attached as Annex "A".
4. A check list for Coy "A" matters is contained at Annex B. Coys where possible should carry out an internal check prior to the visit of the Audit Team.
5. In addition the following internal "Q" aspects will be checked by the undermentioned Officers.
- a. Unit Ration Account - 2IC D Coy
 - b. Unit Oils / Greases Account - 2IC B Coy
 - c. Unit Stamp Account - Asst Adjt

6. Coy 2IC's will be responsible for conducting.
 - a. Ledger checks to ensure all outstanding vouchers are posted and checked.
 - b. A check of all controlled and attractive stores.
 - c. A 20% of all items of unit eqpt not listed in (b) above.

Regimental Audit

7. All units are required to complete audits by 31 Dec 68 when results have to be forwarded to AFV.

8. The following accounts will be audited during the period 3 - 14 Dec

Officers' Mess
Sgts' Mess
Regimental Funds
ANZAC Fund
Unit Canteen Account

The Presidents/Treasurers are to make arrangements with the President of the Regimental Audit Board to have their accounts audited. The completion date for the audit of accounts is 14 Dec 68, when the Regimental Audit Board is responsible to furnish to the Commanding Officer the Audit certificate.

Sub Unit Canteen Accounts.

9. Canteens are to be audited under coy arrangements. The officer responsible for the account (viz coy 2IC) is NOT to audit the account, it is to be carried out by another officer of the coy.

10. A certificate to the effect by the coy is to be furnished to the Regimental Audit Board that the audit of the canteen has been carried out and adjusting action has been taken where necessary.

Dental Checks

11. Coys will have their soldiers dentally examined during the period. The roster is at Annex A. The Dental post will inspect approx 60 soldiers daily.

EIS Inspections

12. This inspection is under arrangements of AFV. It is in two categories.

a. Small Arms, Technical Equipments; 4 RAR R980-400-1 of 19 and 23 Nov refers. The roster is at Annex A.

b. Vehicle Inspection; commences on 11 Dec and conducted under Admin Coy arrangements.

Beach Annex.

13. Soldiers will be rotated through the Badcoe Club on a rifle coy basis (B, C, D and V Coys). Sp and Admin Coy soldiers will be attached to coys for this period.

14. A separate instruction is to be issued.

Roster

15.

A co-ordinated Roster is attached as Annex A.

Manning

Hayford

Lt Col
(LR GREVILLE)
CO 4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn

Distribution

B Coy (5)	RMO
C Coy (5)	33 Dental Unit
D Coy (5)	OC Admin Coy
V Coy (5)	QM
W Coy (1)	WO Caterer
Sp Coy (8)	RSM
Admin Coy (4)	Comds Diary (4)
NZ Component (2)	File
CO	
2IC	
Ops Offr	
Adj't	
Asst Adj't	

ROSTER - A/Q PERIOD

Annex A to 4 RAR.NZ (ANZAC) Bn
dated 27 Nov 68.

Date	Eqpt - EIS	Vehicle - EIS	A check (AFV)	Q check (AFV)	Dental	Badcoe Annex
2 Dec	C Coy	---	---	---	V Coy	---
3 Dec	D Coy	---	---	---	V Coy	---
4 Dec	Sp Coy	---	Bn HQ	---	Sp Coy	D Coy
5 Dec	V Coy	---	Bn HQ	---	Sp Coy	D Coy
6 Dec	---	---	C Coy	C Coy	Sp Coy	D Coy/V Coy
7 Dec	---	---	Sp Coy	Sp Coy	D Coy	V Coy
8 Dec	---	---	B Coy	B Coy	---	V Coy
9 Dec	---	---	D Coy	D Coy	D Coy	C Coy
10 Dec	---	---	Admin Coy.	Admin Coy	Admin Coy	C Coy
11 Dec	---	Admin Coy	---	Q Store	Admin Coy	C Coy/B Coy
12 Dec	---	Admin Coy	---	Q Store	C Coy	B Coy
13 Dec	---	Admin Coy	---	---	C Coy	B Coy
14 Dec	---	Admin Coy	---	---	B Coy	---
15 Dec	---	Admin Coy	---	---	B Coy	---

Annex B to
4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC)Bn
R54-1-10 dated

28 Nov 68

"A" AUDIT CHECK LIST

1. Bn HQ
 - a. Pay procedures
 - b. Rations / Parade states
 - c. Leave records
 - d. Stamp Account

2. Coy HQ
 - a. Roll books / Parade states
 - b. Leave records
 - c. AAB - 83

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Distribution: See below

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4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn - DUTY ROSTER

General

1. The duties are in two parts.
 - a. 1 ATF duties
 - b. 4 RAR duties

1 ATF Duties

2.
 - a. Ready Reaction Coy - Annex B
 - b. Cavmobile Escort / Protection: Each coy rostered is required to produce a pl under an officer for the following tasks.
 1. Rifle pl 1 and 18
 2. Gunship escort 5 OR

4 RAR Duties

3.
 - a. TAOR Ptl's: Two ptl's daily in accordance with 1 ATF patrol programme.
 1. 1 - 4 Dec each ptl half pl str.
 2. 4 - 8 Dec each ptl sec str.
 - b. Work Parties: as directed by the RSM which will range between 12 and 15 men daily.
 - c. Perimeter Defence: To allow coys on the perimeter to have their complete coy at post operation barbecues, the fol will apply.
 - ni 30 Nov / 1 Dec D Coy defends C Coy
 - ni 2 Dec / 3 Dec B Coy defends V Coy

While coys are at the BADCOE CLUB there is a requirement for additional assistance. This is at Annex "A".

Meyer

Lt Col
(LR GREVILLE)
CC 4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn

Annexes

- "A" 4 RAR (plus Cavmobile escort)
- "B" 1 ATF Ready Reaction Coy.

Distribution

B Coy (3)

C Coy (3)

D Coy (3)

V Coy (3)

Sp Coy (5)

Admin Coy (3)

CP (2)

CO

2IC

Ops Offr

OC Admin Coy

Adjnt

RSM

Comds Diary (4)

File

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GANNY
H.P.H.

Annex A to 4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn
 dated 28 Nov 68

4 RAR DUTY ROSTER 1 - 8 Dec 68

Date	TAOR ptls	Camobile pl	Work parties	Def V Coy	Def C Coy
1 Dec	D Coy	B Coy	V Coy	(at BADCOE CLUB)	
2 Dec	D Coy	B Coy	C Coy	---	---
3 Dec	V Coy	C Coy	D Coy	---	---
4 Dec	V Coy	C Coy	B Coy	---	---
5 Dec	B Coy	V Coy	C Coy	---	---
6 Dec	B Coy	C Coy	B Coy	Sp Coy	---
7 Dec	C Coy	D Coy		Sp Coy	---
8 Dec	C Coy	D Coy	B Coy	---	Admin Coy

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1 ATF REACTION COY 1 - 13 Dec

1. Due to the inability of any coy to provide sufficient tps and conflicting requirements such as the BADGOE CLUB, for this period it will be nec to form composite coys.
2. The pls from coys other than the one providing the Coy HQ (donor coys) are to be made aval to the OC Reaction Coy for readiness checks as he requires. The donor coy is to notify the Reaction Coy HQ of the pl identity and str the day prior to the pl concerned being required. The pls provided by the donor coys are to be organized on the normal three sect org and consist of NOT less than 25 all ranks with a normal cmd structure subtended.
3. Unless stated otherwise in the roster the tour of duty is from 0630 hrs for 24 hrs.

REACTION COY ROSTER

Date	HQ	PL	PL	PL
1 Dec	B Coy	B Coy	B Coy	C Coy
2 Dec	B Coy	B Coy	B Coy	D Coy
3 Dec	B Coy	B Coy	B Coy	B Coy
4 Dec	B Coy	B Coy	C Coy	V Coy
5 Dec	C Coy	B Coy	C Coy	C Coy
6 Dec	C Coy	B Coy	C Coy	V Coy until 1200 D Coy from 1200
7 Dec	C Coy	B Coy	C Coy	D Coy
8 Dec	D Coy	B Coy	C Coy	D Coy
9 Dec	D Coy	B Coy	D Coy	V Coy
10 Dec	D Coy	B Coy	D Coy	V Coy
11 Dec	D Coy	B Coy until 1200 C Coy from 1200	D Coy	V Coy
12 Dec	C Coy	C Coy	D Coy	V Coy
13 Dec	C Coy	C Coy	D Coy	V Coy
14 Dec	C Coy	C Coy	D Coy	V Coy

Comd Diary

4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn
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Distribution: See below.

SCHEDULE OF TIMINGS 1 - 14 DEC 68

1. In order to give coys a "form at a glance" table, a roster of all commitments is at Annex "A".
2. It embraces the following instructions:
 - a. 4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) DUTY ROSTER R98-4-1 of 28 Nov 68.
 - b. 4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) OP CAPITAL-ADMIN INSTR R54-1-10 of 28 Nov 68.
 - c. 4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) ALLOCATION OF BEACH ANNEX R487-1-4 of Nov 68.
3. In addition there is a Unit Retraining Instruction which embraces the fol (R850-68-7 of 27 Nov 68 refers):
 - a. Unit courses run on Sp Coy/Bn HQ con 4-12 Dec, approximate strength of each coy contribution is 24.
 - b. Sub unit retraining under OC's arrangements.
4. Draft NS 1/67 will also be processed during this period prior to march out on 17 and 19 Dec. Details of arrival dates of new rfts are yet to be promulgated.

L R Greville

May for. Lt Col
(L R GREVILLE)
CO 4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn

Annex
"A" Schedule of Timings.

Distribution

- B Coy (5)
- C Coy (5)
- D Coy (5)
- V Coy (5)
- W Coy (1)
- Sp Coy (9)
- Admin Coy (5)
- NZ Component (2)
- CO
- 2IC
- Adjt
- RMO
- IO
- RSM
- Offrs Mess
- Sgt Mess
- Sect 33 Dental Unit (4 RAR)
- 1 AIF (2)
- Comds Diary (4)
- File

4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) - SCHEDULE OF TIMINGS 1 - 14 DEC

Annex A to 4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn
R98-4-1 dated 30 Nov 68.

Date	TAOR ptls	CAVMOBILE P1	Work Parties	1 ATF READY REACTIO COY			Eqpt-EIS	Veh-EIS	A Check AFV	Q Check AFV	Dental	BADCOE Club	Remarks
				Coy HQ	P1	P1							
1 Dec	D Coy	B Coy	V Coy	B Coy	B Coy	B Coy	C Coy	-	-	-	-	-	-
2 Dec	D Coy	B Coy	C Coy	B Coy	B Coy	B Coy	D Coy	-	-	-	-	-	-
3 Dec	V Coy	C Coy	D Coy	B Coy	B Coy	B Coy	B Coy	-	-	-	V Coy	-	-
4 Dec	V Coy	C Coy	B Coy	B Coy	B Coy	C Coy	V Coy	Sp Coy	-	Bn HQ	-	D Coy	-
5 Dec	B Coy	V Coy	C Coy	B Coy	B Coy	C Coy	C Coy	V Coy	-	Bn HQ	-	D Coy	-
6 Dec	B Coy	C Coy	B Coy	C Coy	B Coy	C Coy	V Coy	-	-	C Coy	-	D Coy/ V Coy	-
							until 1200 D Coy from 1200						
7 Dec	C Coy	D Coy	D Coy	C Coy	B Coy	C Coy	D Coy	-	-	Sp Coy	-	D Coy	V Coy
8 Dec	C Coy	D Coy	B Coy	C Coy	B Coy	C Coy	D Coy	-	-	B Coy	-	-	V Coy
9 Dec	To	be	promulgated	D Coy	B Coy	D Coy	V Coy	-	-	D Coy	-	D Coy	C Coy
10 Dec	"	"	"	D Coy	B Coy	D Coy	V Coy	-	-	Admin Coy	Admin Coy	Admin Coy	C Coy
11 Dec	"	"	"	D Coy	B Coy	D Coy	V Coy	-	Admin Coy	-	Q Store	Admin Coy	C Coy/B Coy
					until 1200 C Coy from 1200								
12 Dec	To	Be	promulgated	C Coy	C Coy	D Coy	V Coy	-	Admin Coy	-	Q Store	C Coy	B Coy
13 Dec	"	"	"	C Coy	C Coy	D Coy	V Coy	-	Admin Coy	-	-	C Coy	B Coy
14 Dec	"	"	"	C Coy	C Coy	D Coy	V Coy	-	Admin Coy	-	-	B Coy	-

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Distribution below:

ANNEX I Encl 1

ADDITIONAL 1 ATF PATROL PROGRAMME FOR
PERIOD 030800H NOV TO 100800H NOV 68

1. Three additional 1 ARU patrols for period 030800H TO 100800H NOV 68 are attached.

M. G. Barwick Capt
(J.D. KELDIE)
for Maj
GS02 (Ops)

Distribution:

C Sqn 1 Armd Regt
A Sqn 3 Cav Regt
12 Fd Regt (5)
1 Fd Sqn
Det 17 Const Sqn
1 RAR (11)
3 RAR (11)
4 RAR (26)
2 SAS Sqn
HORSESHOE Coy (5)
161 (Indep) Recce Flt
1 ARU (2)
HQ Coy (4)
Arty Tac
CP
FATOC
GS02 (Ops)
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Distribution below:

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1 ATF PATROL PROGRAMME FOR
PERIOD 100800H NOV TO 160800H NOV 68

1. 1 ATF Ptl Programme for the period 100800H Nov to 160800H Nov 68 is attached.

M. Barwick Capt
for (J.D. KELDIE)
Maj
GSO2 (Ops)

Distribution:

C Sqn 1 A md Regt
A Sqn 3 Cav Regt
12 Fd Regt (5)
1 Fd Sqn
Det 17 Const Sqn
1 RAR (11)
3 RAR (11)
4 RAR (26)
2 SAS Sqn
HORSESHOE (5)
161 (Indep) Recce Flt
1 ARU (2)
HQ Coy (4)
Arty Tac
CP
FATOC
GSO2 (Ops)
Diary (2)
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1 ATF PATROL PROGRAMME FOR PERIOD 100800H TO 160800H NOV 68

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A. Patrol No	1 RAR 310/68	311/68	312/68	313/68
B. Sub Unit to Provide	A Coy	B Coy	C Coy	D Coy
C. Callsign and frequency	14 72.00	25. 72.00	34 72.00	45 72.00
D. Controlled by	1 RAR CP	1 RAR CP	1 RAR CP	1 RAR CP
E. Task	Recce and obsn vic YS388693	Recce and obsn vic YS469706	Recce and obsn vic YS456706	Recce and obsn vic YS389682
F. Strength	5	5	5	5
G. Date/Time Out	101300H	101230H	121330H	121300H
H. Date/Time In	121100H	121200H	141130H	141130H
J. Route	To be advised	To be advised	To be advised	To be advised
K. LZ (if required)	-	-	-	-
L. PZ (if required)	-	-	-	-
M. Remarks	Search G.S. 3869	Search G.S. 4670	Search G.S. 4570	Search G.S. 3968

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A.	314/68	315/68	316/68	317/68
B.	A Coy	B Coy	C Coy	D Coy
C.	14 72.00	25 72.00	34 72.00	45 72.00
D.	1 RAR CP	1 RAR CP	1 RAR CP	1 RAR CP
E.	Recce and obsn vic YS380695	Recce and obsn vic YS455701	Recce and obsn vic YS448706	Recce and obsn vic YS404674
F.	5	5	5	5
G.	141230H	14130CH	161200H	161330H
H.	161130H	161100H	181200H	181130H
J.	To be advised	To be advised	To be advised	To be advised
K.	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-
M.	Search G.S. 3868	Search G.S. 4569	Search G.S. 4470	Search G.S. 4067

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A.	3 RAR 3127/68	3128/68	3129/68	3130/68	3131/68
B.	D Coy	D Coy	D Coy	D Coy	D Coy
C.	10C 58.00	20C 58.00	30C 58.00	10C 58.00	20C 58.00
D.	3 RAR CP	3 RAR CP	3 RAR CP	3 RAR CP	3 RAR CP
E.	Recce and obsn vic YS398664	Recce and obsn vic YS386644	Recce and obsn vic YS479652	Recce and obsn vic YS395655	Recce and obsn vic YS391638
F.	1 : 4	1 : 4	Section Plus	1 : 4	1 : 4
G.	101730H	101730H	101730H	111745H	111745H
H.	110815H	110815H	110800H	120830H	120830H
J.	As briefed	As briefed	Out: Through B Coy In: Through A Coy As briefed	As briefed	As briefed
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	Ptl briefing sheets to be fwd to 3 RAR CP prior to departure of first ptl.	As for 3127/68	As for 3127/68. Ptl to incl 2 x M60 and to be comd by offr/sgt.	Ptl briefing sheets to be fwd to 3 RAR CP prior to departure to first ptl.	As for 3130/68

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A.	3132/68	3133/68	3134/68	3135/68	3136/68
B.	D Coy	A Coy	A Coy	A Coy	A Coy
C.	30C 58.00	10C 58.00	20C 58.00	30C 58.00	10C 58.00
D.	3 RAR CP	3 RAR CP	3 RAR CP	3 RAR CP	3 RAR CP
E.	Recce and obsn vic YS486651	Recce and obsn vic YS404658	Recce and obsn vic YS398639	Recce and obsn vic YS490651	Recce and obsn vic YS391663
F.	Section Plus	1 : 4	1 : 4	Section Plus	1 : 4
G.	111730H	121800H	121800H	121715H	131715H
H.	120815H	130800H	130800H	130830H	140845H
J.	Out: Through D Coy In: Through B Coy As briefed	As briefed	As briefed	Out: Through A Coy In: Through B Coy As briefed	As briefed
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	As for 3129/68	Ptl briefing sheet to be fwd to 3 RAR CP prior to departure of first ptl	As for 3133/68	As for 3129/68	Ptl briefing sheets to be fwd to 3 RAR CP prior to departure of first ptl

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A.	3137/68	3138/68	3139/68	3140/68	3141/68
B.	A Coy	A Coy	A Coy	A Coy	A Coy
C.	20C 58.00	30C 58.00	10C 58.00	20C 58.00	30C 58.00
D.	3 RAR CP	3 RAR CP	3 RAR CP	3 RAR CP	3 RAR CP
E.	Recce and obsn vic YS390640	Recce and obsn vic YS472654	Recce and obsn vic YS398664	Recce and obsn vic YS392638	Recce and obsn vic YS484653
F.	1 : 4	Section Plus	1 : 4	1 : 4	Section Plus
G.	131715H	131745H	141730H	141730H	141730H
H.	140845H	140730H	150815H	150815H	150830H
J.	As briefed	Out: Through B Coy In: Through A Coy As briefed	As briefed	As briefed	Out: Through A Coy In: Through D Coy As briefed
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	As for 3136/68	As for 3129/68	Ptl briefing sheets to be fwd to 3 RAR CP prior to departure of first ptl	As for 3139/68	As for 3129/68

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A.	3142/68	3143/68	3144/68	3145/68	3146/68
B.	B Coy	B Coy	B Coy	B Coy	B Coy
C.	10C 58.00	20C 58.00	30C 58.00	10C 58.00	20C 58.00
D.	3 RAR CP	3 RAR CP	3 RAR CP	3 RAR CP	3 RAR CP
E.	Recce and obsn vic YS404658	Recce and obsn vic YS398639	Recce and obsn vic YS480654	Recce and obsn vic YS395655	Recce and obsn vic YS391638
F.	1 : 4	1 : 4	Section Plus	1 : 4	1 : 4
G.	151800H	151800H	151745H	161730H	161730H
H.	160800H	160800H	160745H	170830H	170830H
J.	As briefed	As briefed	Out: Through B Coy In: Through A Coy As briefed	As briefed	As briefed
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	Ptl briefing sheets to be fwd to 3 RAR CP prior to departure of first Ptl.	As for 3142/68	As for 3129/68	Ptl briefing sheets to be fwd to 3 RAR CP prior to departure of first ptl	As for 3145/68

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A.	3147/68
B.	B Coy
C.	30C 58.00
D.	3 RAR CP
E.	Recce and obsn vic YS479652
F.	Section Plus
G.	161715H
H.	170815H
J.	Out: Through B Coy In: Through A Coy As briefed
K.	-
L.	-
M.	As for 3129/68

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A.	4 RAR 4249/68	4250/68	4251/68	4252/68	4253/68
B.	Admin Coy	W Coy	V Coy	D Coy	Sp Coy
C.	11 61.20	12 61.20	13 61.20	14 61.20	11 61.20
D.	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear
E.	Recce and obsn in grid sq 4867. Ni loc vic YS486675	Recce and obsn in NOEL. Ni loc vic YS489698	Recce and obsn in CARL. Ni loc vic YS509656	Provide obsn and early warning in ROD. Ni loc vic YS490671	Provide obsn and early warning in grid sq 4768. Ni loc YS473681
F.	1 : 6	1 : 6	1 : 6	1 : 6	1 : 6
G.	101500H	101200H	111600H	111630H	121630H
H.	111000H	111030H	121000H	120930H	131000H
J.	Out: Via LTL 52 In: B Coy	V Coy	LTL 52	Route 52	Out: V Coy In: B Coy
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	-	-	-	-	-

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A.	4254/68	4255/68	4257/68	4256/68	4258/68
B.	C Coy	Admin Coy	V Coy	W Coy	D Coy
C.	12 61.20	13 61.20	14 61.20	11 61.20	12 61.20
D.	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear
E.	Provide obsn and early warning in STAN. Ni loc vic YS463673	Surveillance bdry Line A/B from Northings 66 to 71. Ni loc vic YS514696	Surveillance bdry Line A Line B from Northings 70 to 72. Ni loc vic YS510710	Recce and obsn in grid sq YS4768. Ni loc YS478681	Recce and obsn in bdry ROD/WALLY. Ni loc vic YS495679
F.	1 : 6	1 : 8	1 : 8	1 : 6	1 : 6
G.	121730H	131000H	141500H	131430H	141300H
H.	130800H	141500H	151300H	141000H	151100H
J.	Direct	Out: TL 52	-	Direct	TL 52
K.	-	Grid sq YS5170	EAGLE FARM	-	-
L.	-	EAGLE FARM	As for ptl 4255/68	-	-
M.	-	Air extraction required	Ptl to notify PZ for extraction on 15 Nov	-	-

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A.	4259/68	4260/68	4261/68	4262/68
B.	Sp Coy	C Coy	Admin Coy	W Coy
C.	13 61.20	14 61.20	11 61.20	12 61.20
D.	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR
E.	Recce and obsn in grid sq YS4769. Ni loc vic YS476691	Recce and obsn in grid sq 4866. Ni loc vic YS485667	Obsn and recce in ROD. Ni loc vic YS494671	Provide recce and obsn on bdry STAN/NOEL. Ni loc vic YS474684
F.	1 : 6	1 : 6	1 : 6	1 : 6
G.	151430H	151700H	161600H	161530H
H.	161000H	160900H	171000H	170930H
J.	Direct	TL 52	TL 52	Out: C Coy In: B Coy
K.	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-
M.	-	-	-	-

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A.	B Coy B27/68	B28/68	B29/68	B30/68
B.	4 Pl	5 Pl	6 Pl	4 Pl
C.	21	22A, 22B, 22C	23	21A, 21B, 21C
D.	B Coy HQ	B Coy HQ	B Coy HQ	B Coy HQ
E.	Ambush	Ambush and early warning	Ambush	Ambush and early warning
F.	1 : 25	3 : 10	1 : 25	3 : 10
G.	111400H	131500H	151300H	171400H
H.	131100H	151100H	171100H	18 on recall
J.	Direct to YS517593	Direct to areas IAN, FRANK VIC	Direct to area YS523600	Areas IAN, TOM, VIC
K.	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-
M.	SOUTH of Route 23. Ambush in PETE, JOCK	Ambush posns as selected by Ptl Comd as follows: 22A - IAN 22B - FRANK 22C - VIC	Ambush as selected by Ptl Comd - area PETE	Ambush posns as selected by Ptl Comd: 21A - IAN 21B - TOM 21C - VIC

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A.	1ARU 307/68	308/68	309/68	310/68	311/68
B.	4 Pl	4 Pl	4 Pl	4 Pl	3 Pl
C.	54 56.05	54 56.05	54 56.05	54 56.05	54 56.05
D.	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP
E.	Provide obsn and early warning vic of YS441645	Provide obsn and early warning vic YS445640	Night Patrol in AO ALICE	Provide obsn and early warning vic of YS453643	Ambush and patrol in vic of YS451638
F.	1 : 4	1 : 4	1 : 10	1 : 4	1 : 4
G.	121800H	131750H	141700H	141730H	151800H
H.	130730H	140700H	150730H	150720H	160715
J.	Direct	Direct	Direct	Direct	Direct
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	LOCSTAT subject to 18 ARVN Div range	LOCSTAT subject to 18 ARVN Div range	-	LOCSTAT subject to 18 ARVN Div range practice	LOCSTAT subject to 18 ARVN Div range practice

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A.	312/68
B.	4 Pl
C.	54 56.05
D.	1 ARU CP
E.	Provide obsn and early warning vic YS440543
F.	1 : 4
G.	161745H
H.	170700H
J.	Direct
K.	-
L.	-
M.	LOCSTAT subject to 18 ARVN Div range practice

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Distribution below:

ANNEX I Encl 3

1 ATF PATROL PROGRAMME FOR
PERIOD 170800H NOV TO 230800H NOV 68

Reference: A. 1 ATF OPS 1743 of 13 Nov 68.

1. 1 ATF Patrol Programme for the period 170800H to 230800H Nov 68 is attached.
2. Reference A allocates patrol zones to units for the period of this Patrol Programme.
3. Amendment to Reference A. 9 RAR assumes responsibility for Patrol Zone FRED.

M.G. Barwick Capt
 (J.D. KELDIE)
 for Maj
 GS02 (Ops)

Distribution:

- C Sqn 1 Armd Regt
- A Sqn 3 Cav Regt
- 12 Fd Sqn (5)
- 1 Ed Sqn
- Det 17 Const Sqn
- 1 RAR (11)
- 3/9 RAR (11)
- 4 RAR (26)
- 2 SAS Sqn
- HORSESHOE (5)
- 161 (Indep) Recce Flt
- 1 ARU (2)
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- Arty Tac
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1 ATF PATROL PROGRAMME FOR PERIOD 170800H TO 230800H NOV 68

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A.	Patrol No	1 RAR 317/68	318/68	319/68	320/68
B.	Sub Unit to Provide	D Coy	A Coy	B Coy	C Coy
C.	Callsign and frequency	45 72.00	14 72.00	25 72.00	34 72.00
D.	Controlled by	1 RAR CP	1 RAR CP	1 RAR CP	1 RAR CP
E.	Task	Recce and obsn vic YS404674	Recce and obsn vic YS395655	Recce and obsn vic YS454700	Recce and obsn vic YS387687
F.	Strength	5	5	5	5
G.	Date/Time Out	161330H	171330H	170800H	181230H
H.	Date/Time In	181130H	191130H	180830H	201130H
J.	Route	To be advised	To be advised	To be advised	To be advised
K.	LZ (if required)	-	-	-	-
L.	PZ (if required)	-	-	-	-
M.	Remarks	Search GS YS4067	Search GS YS3965	-	Search GS YS3868

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A.	321/68	322/68	323/68	324/68	325/68
B.	B Coy	D Coy	B Coy	A Coy	B Coy
C.	25 72.00	45 72.00	25 72.00	14 72.00	25 72.00
D.	1 RAR CP	1 RAR CP	1 RAR CP	1 RAR CP	1 RAR CP
E.	Recce and obsn vic YS459697	Recce and obsn vic YS390639	Recce and obsn vic YS468707	Recce and obsn vic YS390696	Recce and obsn vic YS462702
F.	5	5	5	5	5
G.	180900H	191230H	191000H	201230H	200830H
H.	190930H	211100H	200800H	221130H	210830H
J.	To be advised	To be advised	To be advised	To be advised	To be advised
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	-	Search GS YS3964	-	Search GS YS3969	-

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A.	326/68	327/68	328/68	329/68
B.	C Coy	B Coy	D Coy	B Coy
C.	34 72.00	25 72.00	45 72.00	25 72.00
D.	1 RAR CP	1 RAR CP	1 RAR CP	1 RAR CP
E.	Recce and obsn vic YS397665	Recce and obsn vic YS456702	Recce and obsn vic YS378698	Recce and obsn vic YS453702
F.	5	5	5	5
G.	211200H	210900H	221300H	220930H
H.	231130H	220830H	241100H	230900H
J.	To be advised	To be advised	To be advised	To be advised
K.	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-
M.	Search GS YS3966	-	Search GS YS3869	-

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A.	4 RAR 4263/6E	4264/68	4265/68	4266/68	4267/68
B.	V Coy	D Coy	Sp Coy	C Coy	Admin Coy
C.	13 61.20	14 61.20	11 61.20	12 61.20	13 61.20
D.	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear
E.	To provide early wng in ptl zone TED. N/Loc vic YS471662.	To provide early wng in ptl zone ROD. N/Loc vic YS496663	To provide early wng in the area NUI DAT II. N/Loc vic YS485683.	To provide early wng in ptl zone TED. N/Loc vic YS469667.	To provide early wng in ptl zone NOEL. N/Loc vic YS476696.
F.	1 and 6	1 and 6	1 and 6	1 and 6	1 and 6
G.	171800H	171730H	181330H	181630H	191200H
H.	180800H	180830H	191100H	190800H	201100H
J.	Via TL 52	Via TL 52	Out: B Coy In : TL 52	Direct	Via V Coy
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	-	-	-	-	-

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A.	4268/68	4269/68	4270/68	4271/68	4272/68
B.	B Coy	V Coy	D Coy	Sp Coy	C Coy
C.	14 61.20	11 61.20	12 61.20	13 61.20	14 61.20
D.	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear
E.	To provide early wng in ptl zone CARL. N/Loc vic YS505660	To provide early wng in ptl zone STAN. N/Loc vic YS467688	To provide early wng in ptl zone ROD. N/Loc vic YS496663	To provide early wng on the bdry ptl zones WALLY/ALLAN. N/Loc vic YS492687.	To provide early wng in the area of NUI DAT II. N/Loc vic YS486674.
F.	1 and 6	1 and 6	1 and 6	1 and 6	1 and 6
G.	191600H	201630H	201600H	211100H	211600H
H.	200930H	210830H	211000H	221000H	220930H
J.	Via TL 52	Direct through V Coy	Via TL 52	Out: V Coy In : B Coy	Via TL 52
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	-	-	-	-	-

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A.	4273/68	4274/68	4275/68	4276/68
B.	Admin Coy	B Coy	V Coy	D Coy
C.	11 61.20	12 61.20	13 61.20	14 61.20
D.	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear
E.	To provide early wng in NOLL. N/Loc vic YS475684	To provide surveillance on line A from NORTHINGS 67 to 70. N/Loc vic YS512689.	To provide early wng in ptl zone STAN. N/Loc vic YS461685.	To provide early wng in ptl zone ALAN. N/Loc vic YS486665.
F.	1 and 6	1 and 9	1 and 6	1 and 6
G.	221530H	221000H	231800H	231630H
H.	230900H	231400H	240730H	240930H
J.	Out: V Coy In : B Coy	Out: TL 52	Direct	Via TL 52
K.	-	In area GS YS5268	-	-
L.	-	EAGLE FARM	-	-
M.	-	PZ to be notified by 230900H	-	-

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A.	W Coy 1/68	2/68	3/68	4/68	5/68
B.	1 Pl	2 Pl	3 Pl	1 Pl	2 Pl
C.	71A, 71B, 71C	72A, 72B, 72C	73A, 73B, 73C	71	72A, 72B, 72C
D.	W COY HQ	W COY HQ	W COY HQ	W COY HQ	W COY HQ
E.	Ambush and early wng	Ambush and early wng	Ambush and early wng	Ambush	Ambush and early wng
F.	3 : 10	3 : 10	3 : 10	1 . 25	3 : 10
G.	181600H	201500H	221400H	241400H	261530H
H.	201300H	221100H	241330H	261500H	281330H
J.	Direct to areas IAN, TOM & VIC	Direct to areas JACK, FRANK & VIC	Direct to areas IAN, TOM & VIC	Direct to GS YS525602	Direct to areas JACK, FRANK & VIC
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	Ambush posns as selected by Ptl Comd as follows: IAN - 71A TOM - 71B VIC - 71C	Ambush posns as selected by Ptl Comd as follows: JACK - 72A FRANK - 72B VIC - 72C	Ambush posns as selected by Ptl Comd as follows: IAN - 73A TOM - 73B VIC - 73C	SOUTH of Route 23 - Ambush as selected by Ptl Comd WEST of Area LEN	Ambush posns as selected in areas as follows: JACK - 72A FRANK - 72B VIC - 72C

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A.	9 RAR 9001/68	9002/68	9003/68	9004/68	9005/68
B.	C Coy	D Coy	A Coy	B Coy	C Coy
C.	30C 58.00	40C 58.00	10C 58.00	20C 58.00	30C 58.00
D.	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR
E.	1. Recce and obsn vic YS479651 2. To check civilian ID Cards.	1. Recce and obsn vic YS485650 2. To check ID Cards.	1. Recce and obsn vic YS492651 2. To check ID Cards	Recce and obsn vic YS473649	1. Recce and obsn vic YS481644 2. Check ID Cards
F.	1 NCO and 10 men	1 NCO and 10 men	1 NCO and 10 men	1 NCO and 10 men	1 NCO and 10 men
G.	171700H	181645H	191630H	201800H	211715H
H.	180815H	190845H	200830H	210730H	220800H
J.	Out: D Coy In : A Coy as briefed	Out: D Coy In : B Coy as briefed	Out: D Coy In : A Coy as briefed	As briefed	Out: A Coy In : B Coy as briefed
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	a. Patrol briefing sheet to be forwarded to CP 9 RAR prior to departure of ptl. b. Carry 2 x M60s.	As for 9001/68	As for 9001/68	As for 9001/68	As for 9001/68

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A.	9006/68	9007/68
B.	D Coy	A Coy
C.	40C 58.00	10C 58.00
D.	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR
E.	Recce and obsn vic YS492648	Ambush vic YS482651
F.	1 NCO and 10 men	1 NCO and 10 men
G.	221615H	231700H
H.	230830H	240815H
J.	As briefed	Out: B Coy In : A Coy as briefed
K.	-	-
L.	-	-
M.	As for 9001/68	As for 9001/68

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A.	1 ARU 313/68	314/68	315/68	316/68	317/68
B.	4 Pl	4 Pl	4 Pl	4 Pl	4 Pl
C.	54 56.05	54A 56.05	54B 56.05	54 56.05	54A 56.05
D.	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP
E.	Provide obsn and early wng vic of YS430635	Provide obsn and early wng vic of YS405643	Patrol and ambush in AO ALICE	Provide obsn and early wng vic of YS453643	Provide obsn and early wng vic of YS409635
F.	1 - 4	1 - 4	1 - 6	1 - 4	1 - 4
G.	171800H	171700H	171700H	181800H	181800H
H.	180730H	180700H	180700H	190715H	190730H
J.	Direct	Direct	Direct	Direct	Direct
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	LOCSTAT subject to 18 ARVN Range practice	Patrol dropped off by veh on by-pass road	Patrol dropped off by veh on by-pass road	LOCSTAT subject to 18 ARVN Range practice	Patrol dropped off by veh on by-pass road

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A.	318/68	319/68	320/68	321/68	322/68
B.	4 Pl	4 Pl	4 Pl	4 Pl	4 Pl
C.	54 56.05	54A 56.05	54B 56.05	54 56.05	54A 56.05
D.	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP
E.	Provide obsn and early wng vic of YS443640	Provide obsn and early wng vic of YS404644	Patrol and ambush in AO ALICE	Provide obsn and early wng vic of YS435635	Provide obsn and early wng vic of YS403638
F.	1 - 4	1 - 4	1 - 7	1 - 4	1 - 4
G.	191730H	191800H	191700H	201800H	201800H
H.	200730H	200720H	200730H	210715H	210730H
J.	Direct	Direct	Direct	Direct	Direct
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	LOCSTAT subject to 18 ARVN Range practice	Patrol dropped off by veh on by-pass road	Patrol dropped off by veh on by-pass road	LOCSTAT subject to 18 ARVN Range practice	Patrol dropped off by veh on by-pass road

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A.	323/68	324/68	325/68	326/68	327/68
B.	4 Pl	4 Pl	4 Pl	4 Pl	4 Pl
C.	54 56.05	54A 56.05	54B 56.05	54 56.05	54A 56.05
D.	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP
E.	Provide obsn and early vic of YS445643	Provide obsn and early vic of YS407649	Patrol and ambush in AO ALICE	Obsn and early wng vic of YS453634	Obsn and early wng vic of YS405638
F.	1 - 4	1 - 4	1 - 7	1 - 4	1 - 4
G.	211800H	211800H	211800H	221800H	221800H
H.	220700H	220730H	220730H	230730H	230730H
J.	Direct	Direct	Direct	Direct	Direct
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	LOCSTAT subject to 18 ARVN Range practice	Patrol dropped off by veh on by-pass road	Patrol dropped off by veh on by-pass road	LOCSTAT subject to 18 ARVN Range practice	Patrol dropped off by veh on by-pass road

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AMENDMENT NO 1 TO
1 ATF PATROL PROGRAMME FOR
PERIOD 170800H NOV TO 230800H NOV 68

ANNEX I End 4

Reference: A. 1 ATF OPS 1743 of 13 Nov 68.

1. The attached Task Tables for 1 RAR and 9 RAR are current.

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for (J.D. KELDIE)
Maj
GS02 (Ops)

Distribution:

C Sqn 1 Armd Regt
A Sqn 3 Cav Regt
12 FD Regt (5)
1 Fd Sqn
Det 17 Const Sqn
1 RAR(11)
3/9 RAR (11)
4 RAR (26)
2 SAS Sqn
HORSESHOE (5)
161 (Indep) Recce Flt
1 ARU (2)
HQ Coy (4)
Arty Tac
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A.	1 RAR 318/68	319/68	320/68	321/68	322/68
B.	B Coy	A Coy	C Coy	Sp Coy	B Coy
C.	25 72.00	14 72.00	34 72.00	92J 72.00	25 72.00
D.	1 RAR Rear CP	1 RAR Rear CP	1 RAR Rear CP	1 RAR Rear CP	1 RAR Rear CP
E.	Recce and Obsn vic YS454700.	Recce and Obsn vic YS387687.	Recce and Obsn vic YS459697.	Early warning YS431683.	Recce and Obsn vic YS468707.
F.	5	5	5	5	5
G.	171100H	181230H	180900H	181845H	191000H
H.	180830H	201130H	190930H	190600H	200800H
J.	To be advised	To be advised	To be advised	-	To be advised.
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	-	Search grid square YS3868.	-	-	-

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A.	323/68	324/68	325/68	326/68	327/68
B.	Sp Coy	D Coy	C Coy	Sp Coy	B Coy
C.	92J 72.00	45 72.00	34 72.00	92J 72.00	25 72.00
D.	1 RAR Rear CP	1 RAR Rear CP	1 RAR Rear CP	1 RAR Rear CP	1 RAR Rear CP
E.	Early warning YS431683.	Recce and Obsn vic YS390696.	Recce and Obsn vic YS462702.	Early warning YS431683.	Recce and Obsn vic YS456702.
F.	5	5	5	5	5
G.	191845H	201230H	200830H	201845H	210900H
H.	200600H	221130H	210830H	210600H	220830H
J.	-	To be advised	To be advised	-	To be advised
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	-	Search grid square YS3969.	-	-	-

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A.	328/68	329/68	330/68	331/68
B.	Sp Coy	A Coy	C Coy	Sp Coy
C.	92J 72.00	14 72.00	34 72.00	92J 72.00
D.	1 RAR REAR	1 RAR REAR	1 RAR REAR	1 RAR REAR
E.	Early wng vic YS431683	Recce and obsn vic YS378698	Recce and obsn vic YS453702	Early wng vic YS431683.
F.	5	5	5	5
G.	211845H	221300H	220930H	221845H
H.	220600H	241100H	230900H	230600H
J.	-	To be advised.	To be advised.	-
K.	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-
M.	-	Search GS YS3869	-	-

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A.	9 RAR 9008/68	9009/68	9010/68	9011/68	9012/68
B.	Sp Coy	Sp Coy	Admin Coy	D Coy	Admin Coy
C.	60C 58.00	60C 58.00	95C 58.00	40C 58.00	95C 58.00
D.	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR
E.	Recce and obsn vic YS411654	Recce and obsn vic YS394645	Ambush at YS394659	Ambush vic YS412656	Recce and obsn vic YS396649
F.	1 NCO and 5 men	1 NCO and 10 men	1 NCO and 8 men	1 NCO and 10 men	1 NCO and 8 men
G.	171815H	181700H	191710H	201800H	211730H
H.	180655H	190830H	200820H	210710H	220830H
J.	a. Out bu veh to YS417657 b. As briefed.	a. Out by veh to YS411648 b. As briefed - avoid area JENNY.	a. Out by veh to YS417657. b. As briefed.	a. Out by veh to YS419659 b. As briefed.	Out by veh to YS414654 As Briefed.
	c. In by veh from YS415653 at 0645H.	c. In by veh from YS413651 at 0815H.	c. In by veh from YS416655 at 0810H.	c. In by veh from YS416656 at 0700H.	In by veh from YS418658 at 0820H.
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	a. Patrol briefing sheet to be forwarded to CP 9 RAR prior to departure of patrol. b. Carry 1 x M60. c. Brief by OC C Coy. d. ARU ptl at YS405643.	a. As for serial 9008/68 except briefing by 2IC D Coy and carry 2 x M60. b. ARU patrol at YS409635	a. As for serial 9009/68 except briefing by 2IC A Coy. b. ARU patrol at YS404644	a. As for serial 9009/68 except briefing by 2IC B Coy. b. ARU ptl at YS403638.	a. As for serial 9009/68 except briefing by CC C Coy. b. ARU ptl at YS407639.

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A.	9013/68	9014/68
B.	B Coy	Sp Coy
C.	20C 58.00	60C 58.00
D.	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR
E.	Ambush vic of YS388642	Ambush vic of YS404658
F.	1 NCO and 10 men	1 NCO and 10 men
G.	221600H	231730H
H.	230830H	240745H
J.	a. Out by veh to YS410648 b. As briefed. c. In by veh from YS411648 at 0820H.	a. Out by veh to YS418658. b. As briefed. c. In by veh from YS417657 at 0735H.
K.	-	-
L.	-	-
M.	a. As for serial 9009/68. b. ARU ptl loc YS405638.	a. As for serial 9009/68 except briefing by OC A Coy.

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1 ATF PATROL PROGRAMME FOR
PERIOD 230800H NOV TO 300800H NOV 68

1. 1 ATF Patrol Programme for period 230800H to 300800H Nov 68 is attached.

M. J. Bowwick Capt
for (J.D. KELDIE)
Maj
GS02 (Ops)

Distribution:

C Sqn 1 Armd Regt
A Sqn 3 Cav Regt
12 Fd Regt (5)
1 Fd Sqn
Det 17 Const Sqn
1 RAR (11)
4 RAR (26)
9 RAR (11)
2 SAS Sqn
HORSESHOE Coy (5)
161 (Indep) Recce Flt
1 ARU (2)
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1 ATF PATROL PROGRAMME FOR PERIOD 230800H TO 300800H NOV 68

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A.	Patrol No	1 RAR 332/68	333/68	334/68	335/68
B.	Sub Unit to Provide	B Coy	Sp Coy	D Coy	C Coy
C.	Callsign and frequency	25 72.00	92J 72.00	45 72.00	34 72.00
D.	Controlled by	1 RAR Rear	1 RAR Rear	1 RAR Rear	1 RAR Rear
E.	Task	Recce and obsn vic YS462707	Early wng vic YS431683	Recce and obsn vic YS388683	Recce and obsn vic YS453697
F.	Strength	5	5	5	5
G.	Date/Time Out	230945H	231845H	241200H	241600H
H.	Date/Time In	240800H	240600H	261030H	250800H
J.	Route	To be advissd	--	To be advised	To be advised
K.	LZ (if required)	--	--	--	--
L.	PZ (if required)	--	--	--	--
M.	Remarks	--	--	Search GS YS3868	Timings dependent on Range Practices

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A.	336/68	337/68	338/68	339/68	340/68
B.	Sp Coy	B Coy	Sp Coy	A Coy	C Coy
C.	92J 72.00	25 72.00	92J 72.00	14 72.00	34 72.00
D.	1 RAR Rear	1 RAR Rear	1 RAR Rear	1 RAR	1 RAR
E.	Early wng vic YS431683	Recce and obsn vic YS460698	Early wng vic YS431683	Recce and obsn vic YS394676	Recce and obsn vic YS469707
F.	5	5	5	5	5
G.	241845H	251600H	251845H	261300H	261600H
H.	250600H	260800H	260600H	281200H	270800H
J.	-	To be advised	-	To be advised	To be advised
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	-	Timings dependent on Range Practices	-	Search GS YS3967 (Northern half)	Timings dependent on Range Practices

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A.	341/68	342/68	343/68	344/68	345/68
B.	Sp Coy	B Coy	Sp Coy	D Coy	C Coy
C.	92J 72.00	25 72.00	92J 72.00	45 72.00	34 72.00
D.	1 RAR	1 RAR	1 RAR	1 RAR	1 RAR
E.	Recce and obsn vic YS431683	Recce and obsn vic YS447704	Early wng vic YS431683	Recce and obsn vic YS400708	Recce and obsn vic YS455707
F.	5	5	5	5	5
G.	261845H	271600H	271845H	281330H	280900H
H.	270600H	280830H	280600H	301200H	290845H
J.	-	To be advised	-	To be advised	To be advised
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	-	Timings dependent on Range Practices	-	Search GS YS4070 (Western half)	-

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A.	346/68	347/68	348/68
B.	Sp Coy	B Coy	Sp Coy
C.	92J 72.00	25 72.00	92J 72.00
D.	1 RAR	1 RAR	1 RAR
E.	Early wng vic YS431683	Recce and obsn vic YS454697	Early wng vic YS431683
F.	5	5	5
G.	281845H	290930H	291845H
H.	290600H	300900H	300600H
J.	-	To be advised	-
K.	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-
M.	-	-	-

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A.	4 RAR 4277/68	4278/68	4279/68	4280/68	4281/68
B.	Sp Coy	C Coy	Admin Coy	B Coy	V Coy
C.	11 61.20	12 61.20	13 61.20	14 61.20	11 61.20
D.	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear
E.	Provide early wng in ptl zone ALAN. N/Loc vic YS485675	Provide early wng in ptl zone CARL. N/Loc vic YS505660	Provide early wng in ptl zone TED. N/Loc vic YS473666	Surveillance line A between Northings 66 to 69. N/Loc vic YS519679	Provide early wng in ptl zone ROD. N/Loc vic YS496663
F.	1 and 6	1 and 6	1 and 6	1 and 8	1 and 6
G.	241530H	241530H	251700H	251300H	261630H
H.	250830H	250930H	260830H	261200H	270830H
J.	Via LTL 52	Ltl 52	Via 9 RAR	Out: LTL 52 In: Heli	Ltl 52
K.	-	-	-	Vic GS YS5168	-
L.	-	-	-	EAGLE FARM	-
M.	-	-	-	Notify P2 by 260900H	-

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A.	4282/68	4283/68	4284/68	4285/68	4286/68
B.	D Coy	Sp Coy	C Coy	Admin Coy	B Coy
C.	12 61.20	13 61.20	14 61.20	11 61.20	12 61.20
D.	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear
E.	Provide early wng in ptl zone TED. N/Loc vic YS471670	Provide early wng in ptl zone CARL. N/Loc vic YS506661	Provide early wng in ptl zone ROD. N/Loc vic YS492671	Provide early wng in ptl zone STAN. N/Loc vic YS467688	Provide early wng in ptl zone ALAN. N/Loc vic YS485683
F.	1 and 6	1 and 6	1 and 6	1 and 6	1 and 6
G.	261700H	271500H	271600H	281500H	281430H
H.	270800H	280900H	280930H	291000H	291030H
J.	Direct	Via LTL 52	Via LTL 52	Out: B Coy In : V Coy	Via B Coy
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	-	-	-	-	-

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A.	4287/68	4288/68	4289/68	4290/68
B.	V Coy	D Coy	Sp Coy	C Coy
C.	13 61.20	14 61.20	11 61.20	12 61.20
D.	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear	4 RAR Rear
E.	Obsn and early wng bdry NOEL/STAN. N/Loc vic YS475691	Provide early wng in STAN. N/Loc vic YS475682	Provide early wng in ptl zone TED. N/Loc vic YS479681	Provide early wng in ptl zone ROD. N/Loc vic YS496663
F.	1 and 6	1 and 6	1 and 6	1 and 6
G.	291330H	291600H	301500H	301530H
H.	301100H	300830H	011000H	010900H
J.	Via V Coy	Via C Coy	Direct -	Via LTL 52
K.	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-
M.	-	-	-	-

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A.	W Coy 3/68	4/68	5/68	6/68	7/68
B.	3 Pl	1 Pl	2 Pl	3 Pl	2 Pl
C.	73A, 73B, 73C	71	72A, 72B, 72C	73	72
D.	W Coy HQ	W Coy HQ	W Coy HQ	W Coy HQ	W Coy HQ
E.	Ambush and early wng	Ambush	Ambush and early wng	Ambush and early wng	Ambush and early wng
F.	3 : 10	1 . 25	3 : 10	30	30
G.	221400H	241400H	261530H	281500H	301300H
H.	241330H	261500H	281330H	301200H	021100H
J.	Direct to areas IAN, TOM & VIC	Direct to GS YS525602	Direct to areas JACK, FRANK & VIC	Direct to YS504618	Direct to YS517612
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	Ambush posns as selected by Ptl Comd as follows: IAN - 73A TOM - 73B VIC - 73C	SOUTH of Route 23 - Ambush as selected by Ptl Comd WEST of area LEN	Ambush posns as selected in areas as follows: JACK - 72A FRANK - 72B VIC - 72C	Ambush posns as selected by pl comd in VIC.	Ambush posns as selected by pl comd in PETE SOUTH of Route 23

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A.	8/68
B.	1 M1 .. :"
C.	71A, 71B, 71C
D.	W Coy HQ
E.	Ambush and early wng
F.	3 : 10
G.	021430H
H.	041500H
J.	Direct to areas FRANK, IAN, TOM
K.	-
L.	-
M.	Ambush posns selected by pl comds as follows: FRANK - 71A IAN - 71B TOM - 71C

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A.	9 RAR 9015/68	9016/68	9017/68	9018/68	9019/68
B.	C Coy	C Coy	C Coy	D Coy	D Coy
C.	30C 58.00	30D 58.00	30E 58.00	40C 58.00	40D 58.00
D.	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR
E.	Recce and obsn vic YS475644.	Ambush vic YS401638.	Recce and obsn vic YS395656.	Recce and obsn vic YS492645.	Ambush vic YS404647.
F.	1 NCO and 8	1 NCO and 8	1 NCO and 8	1 NCO and 10	1 NCO and 8
G.	241700H	241700H	241700H	251630H	251730H
H.	250810H	250730H	250730H	260830H	260800H
J.	a. As briefed. b. Avoid area JTM.	a. As briefed. b. Vehicle to bypass rd.	a. As briefed. b. Vehicle to bypass rd.	Out: D Coy. In: B Coy. As briefed.	a. Vehicle to bypass rd. b. As briefed.
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	a. Brief sheet to CP 9 RAR by 241200 hrs. b. Carry 2 x M60. c. Adopt final posn after last light.	As for serial 9015/68.	As for serial 9015/68	As for serial: 9015/68.	As for serial 9015/68 except 1 x MG.

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A.	9020/68	9021/68	9022/68	9023/68	9024/68
B.	D Coy	A Coy	A Coy	A Coy	B Coy
C.	40E 58.00	10C 58.00	10D 58.00	10E 58.00	20C 58.00
D.	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR
E.	Recce and obsn YS403660.	Recce and obsn vic YS484640.	Ambush vic YS393639.	Recce and obsn YS407652.	Ambush vic YS480653.
F.	1 NCO and 10	1 NCO and 10	1 NCO and 8	1 NCO and 5	1 NCO and 10
G.	251730H	261645H	261630H	261730H	271650H
H.	260810H	270750H	270830H	270730H	280745H
J.	a. Veh to bypass rd. b. As briefed.	Out: A Coy. In: D Coy. As briefed, but avoid area JIM.	a. Veh to bypass rd. b. As briefed.	a. Veh to bypass rd. b. As briefed.	As briefed.
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	As for serial 9019/68.	As for serial 9015/68.	As for serial 9019/68.	As for serial 9019/68.	As for serial 9015/68.

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A.	9025/68	9026/68	9027/68	9028/68	9029/68
B.	B Coy	B Coy	Sp Coy	Sp Coy	Sp Coy
C.	20D 58.00	20E 58.00	60C 58.00	60D 58.00	60E 58.00
D.	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR
E.	Recce and obsn YS393643.	Recce and obsn vic YS397658.	Ambush vic YS490648.	Recce and obsn vic YS400636.	Recce and obsn vic YS401651.
F.	1 NCO and 8	1 NCO and 8	1 NCO and 10	1 NCO and 8	1 NCO and 8
G.	271645H	271645H	281635H	281715H	281715H
H.	280800H	280800H	290800H	290815H	290815H
J.	a. Veh to bypass rd. b. As briefed.	a. Veh to bypass rd. b. As briefed.	a. Out: A Coy. b. In: B Coy. c. As briefed.	a. By veh to bypass rd. b. As briefed.	a. By veh to bypass rd. b. As briefed.
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	As for serial 9015/68.	As for serial 9015/68.	As for serial 9015/68.	As for serial 9019/68.	As for serial 9019/68.

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A.	9030/68	9031/68	9032/68	9033/68	9034/68
B.	Admin Coy	Admin Coy	Admin Coy	C Coy	C Coy
C.	95C 58.00	95D 58.00	95E 58.00	30C 58.00	30D 58.00
D.	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR
E.	Recce and obsn vic YS475647.	Recce and obsn vic YS400644.	Ambush vic YS393659.	Ambush vic of YS487650.	Recce and obsn vic YS397638.
F.	1 NCO and 8	1 NCO and 8	1 NCO and 8	1 NCO and 10	1 NCO and 8
G.	291745H	291745H	291630H	301615H Nov	301715H Nov
H.	300720H	300750H	300830H	010830H Dec	010755H Dec
J.	a. Out: D Coy. b. In: A Coy. c. As briefed. Avoid area JIM.	a. By veh to bypass rd. b. As briefed.	a. By veh to bypass rd. b. As briefed.	a. Out: B Coy. b. In: A Coy. c. As briefed.	a. By veh to bypass rd. b. As briefed.
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	As for serial 9019/68.	As for serial 9019/68.	As for serial 9015/68.	As for serial 9015/68.	As for serial 9019/68

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A.	9035/68
B.	C Coy
C.	30E 58.00
D.	HQ 9 RAR
E.	Recce and obsn vic YS408657.
F.	1 NCO and 8
G.	301745H Nov
H.	010700H Dec
J.	a. By veh to bypass rd. b. As briefed.
K.	-
L.	-
M.	As for serial 9019/68.

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A.	1 ARU 328/68	329/68	330/68	331/68	332/68
B.	4 P1	4 P1	4 P1	4 P1	4 P1
C.	54 56.05	54 56.05	54 56.05	54A 56.05	54 56.05
D.	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP
E.	Provide obsn and early wng vic of YS446636.	Provide obsn and early wng vic of YS445630.	Provide obsn and early wng vic of YS452640.	Patrol and obsn in AO ALICE.	Obsn and early wng vic of YS439637.
F.	1 - 4	1 - 4	1 - 4	1 - 4	1 - 4
G.	231800H	241800H	251800H	261800H	261800H
H.	240700H	250715H	260730H	270715H	270730H
J.	Direct	Direct	Direct	Direct	Direct
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	Locstat subject to 18 ARVN Div Range Practice.	Locstat subject to 18 ARVN Div Range Practice.	Locstat subject to 18 ARVN Div Range Practice.	Inserted by veh on by-pass road.	

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A.	333/68	334/68	335/68	336/68
B.	4 P1	4 P1	4 P1	4 P1
C.	54 56.05	54 56.05	52 56.05	54 56.05
D.	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP
E.	Obsn and early wng vic of YS440640.	Obsn and early wng vic of YS460640.	Patrol and Ambush in AO ALICE.	Obsn and early wng vic of YS445635.
F.	1 - 4	1 - 4	2 - 43	1 - 4
G.	271800H	281800H	281800H	291800H
H.	280600H	290655H	290655H	300700H
J.	Direct	Direct	Direct	Direct
K.	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-
M.	-	Locstat subject to 18 ARVN Div Range Practice.	Locstat subject to 18 ARVN Div Range Practice.	Locstat subject to 18 ARVN Div Range Practice.

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1. 1 ATF Patrol Programme for period 010800H Dec to 080800H Dec 68 is attached.

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Det 17 Const Sqn
1 RAR (11)
4 RAR (26)
9 RAR (11)
2 SAS Sqn
HORSESHOE Coy (5)
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1 ATF PATROL PROGRAMME FOR PERIOD 010800H TO 080800H DEC 68

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	1 RAR 349/68	350/68	351/68	352/68
A. Patrol No				
B. Sub Unit to Provide	A Coy	C Coy	D Coy	B Coy
C. Callsign and frequency	14 72.00	34 72.00	92J 72.00	25 72.00
D. Controlled by	1 RAR	1 RAR	1 RAR	1 RAR
E. Task	Ambush vic YS381695	Ambush vic YS463702	Early wng Vic YS431683	Ambush vic YS452698
F. Strength	10	10	Section	10
G. Date/Time Out	301300H	301600H	301845H	011600H
H. Date/Time In	021130H	010900H	010600H	020800H
J. Route	To be advised	To be advised	-	To be advised
K. LZ (if required)	-	-	-	-
L. PZ (if required)	-	-	-	-
M. Remarks	Search GS YS3869	-	FORT COURAGE	-

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A.	353/68	354/68	355/68	356/68	357/68
B.	D Coy	D Coy	Sp Coy	A Coy	B Coy
C.	92J 72.00	45 72.00	61 72.00	92J 72.00	25 72.00
D.	1 RAR	1 RAR	1 RAR	1 RAR	1 RAR
E.	Early wng vic YS431683	Ambush vic YS382686	Fighting ptl search sector PHILLIP	Early wng vic YS431683	Ambush vic YS459697
F.	Section	10	A'Tk Pl & Tracking teams	Section	10
G.	011600H	021230H	020800H	021845H	031600H
H.	020800H	041000H	031500H	030600H	040800H
J.	-	To be advised	To be advised	-	To be advised
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	FORT COURAGE	Search GS YS3968	Proposed APC/Vehicle to sector PHILLIP	FORT COURAGE	This AO taken over by 9 RAR from 041600H to 080800H

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A.	358/68	359/68	360/68	361/68	362/68
B.	A Coy	A Coy	D Coy	D Coy	D Coy
C.	92J 72.00	14 72.00	92J 72.00	92J 72.00	45 72.00
D.	1 RAR	1 RAR	1 RAR	1 RAR	1 RAR
E.	Early wng vic YS431683	Ambush vic YS390696	Early wng vic YS431683	Early wng vic YS431683	Ambush vic YS404672
F.	Section	10	Section	Section	10
G.	031845H	041400H	041845H	051845H	061300H
H.	040600H	061200H	050600H	060600H	081130H
J.	-	To be advised	-	-	To be advised
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	FORT COURAGE	Search GS YS3969	FORT COURAGE	FORT COURAGE	Search GS YS4067

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A.	363/68	364/68
B.	A Coy	A Coy
C.	92J 72.00	92J 72.00
D.	1 RAR	1 RAR
E.	Early wng vic YS431683	Early wng vic YS431683
F.	Section	Section
G.	061845H	071845H
H.	070600H	080600H
J.	-	-
K.	-	-
L.	-	-
M.	FORT COURAGE	FORT COURAGE

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A.	4 RAR 4291/68	4292/68	4293/68	4294/68	4295/68
B.	4 RAR	4 RAR	4 RAR	4 RAR	4 RAR
C.	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
D.	4 RAR	4 RAR	4 RAR	4 RAR	4 RAR
E.	Early wng in ALAN. N/Loc vic YS485683	Early wng in CARL. N/Loc YS499674	Early wng on Line A in area WALLY. N/Loc YS518679	Ambush in GS YS4968. Loc vic YS492686	Ambush in ROD. Loc vic YS492671.
F.	$\frac{1}{2}$ Pl	$\frac{1}{2}$ Pl	$\frac{1}{2}$ Pl	$\frac{1}{2}$ Pl	$\frac{1}{2}$ Pl
G.	011400H	011530H	021400H	021400H	031530H
H.	021000H	020930H	030930H	031100H	040900H
J.	Direct	TL 52	-	Direct	TL 52
K.	-	-	EAGLE FARM	-	-
L.	-	-	Vic YS516676	-	-
M.	-	-	To notify extraction PZ by 021600H	-	-

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A.	4296/68	4297/68	4298/68	4299/68	4300/68
B.	4 RAR	4 RAR	4 RAR	4 RAR	4 RAR
C.	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
D.	4 RAR	4 RAR	4 RAR	4 RAR	4 RAR
E.	Ambush in TED. Loc YS467663	Ambush in STAN. Loc YS465683	Ambush in TED. Loc YS467663	Ambush in ROD. Loc YS496663	Surveillance in GS YS4768. N/Loc YS478681
F.	1 Section	1 Section	1 Section	1 Section	1 Section
G.	031730H	041600H	041730H	051700H	051530H
H.	040800H	050830H	050800H	060900H	061000H
J.	TL 52	Direct	TL 52	TL 52	Direct
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	-	-	-	-	-

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A.	4301/68	4302/68	4303/68	4304/68
B.	4 RAR	4 RAR	4 RAR	4 RAR
C.	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
D.	4 RAR	4 RAR	4 RAR	4 RAR
E.	Ambush in ROD. Loc YS496660	Surveillance in GS YS4767 N/Loc vic YS477673	Provide early wng in STAN Loc vic YS461685	Provide early wng in DON N/Loc YS461670
F.	1 Section	1 Section	1 Section	1 Section
G.	061630H	061600H	071700H	071730H
H.	070800H	070900H	080730H	080815H
J.	TL 52	Direct	Direct	Direct
K.	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-
M.	-	-	-	-

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A.	W Coy 7/68	8/68	9/68	10/68
B.	2 Pl	1 Pl	2 Pl	3 Pl
C.	72	71A, 71B, 71C	72A, 72B, 72C	73A, 73B, 73C
D.	W Coy HQ	W Coy HQ	W Coy HQ	W Coy HQ
E.	Ambush and early wng	Ambush and early wng	Ambush and early wng	Ambush and early wng
F.	30	3 : 10	3 : 10	3 : 10
G.	301300H	021430H	041300H	061400H
H.	021100H	041500H	061100H	081200H
J.	Direct to YS517612	Direct to areas FRANK, IAN & TOM	Direct to areas TOM, JACK & FRANK	Direct to areas IAN, TOM & VIC
K.	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-
M.	Ambush posns as selected by pl comd in PETE, SOUTH of Route 23.	Ambush posns selected by pl comds as follows: FRANK - 71A IAN - 71B TOM - 71C	Ambush posns selected by ptl comd as fols: TOM - 72A JACK - 72B FRANK - 72C	Ambush posns selected by ptl comd as fols: IAN - 73A TOM - 73B VIC - 73C

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A.	9 RAR 9036/68	9037/68	9038/68	9039/68	9040/68
B.	D Coy	D Coy	D Coy	A Coy	A Coy
C.	40C 58.00	40D 58.00	40E 58.00	10C 58.00	10D 58.00
D.	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR
E.	Recce and obsn vicinity YS488640	Recce and obsn vicinity YS400651	Recce and obsn vicinity YS392660	Ambush vicinity YS489653	Ambush vicinity YS403647
F.	1 : 10	1 : 10	1 : 10	1 : 10	1 : 10
G.	011600H	011700H	011600H	021630H	021730H
H.	020830H	020700H	020830H	030800H	030715H
J.	As briefed.	Veh to bypass rd. As briefed.	Veh to bypass rd. As briefed.	As briefed.	Veh to bypass rd. As briefed.
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	a. Carry two MG. b. Adapt final posn at last lt.	As for 9036/68	As for 9036/68	As for 9036/68	As for 9036/68

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A.	9041/68	9042/68	9043/68	9044/68	9045/68
B.	A Coy	Sp Coy	Sp Coy	Sp Coy	C Coy
C.	10E 58.00	60C 58.00	60D 58.00	60E 58.00	30C 58.00
D.	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR
E.	Ambush YS385648	Recce and obsn vicinity YS488648	Ambush vicinity YS400644	Ambush vicinity YS387642	Ambush vicinity YS384649
F.	1 : 10	1 : 10	1 : 10	1 : 10	Platoon
G.	021600H	031615H	031730H	031600H	In loc
H.	030930H	040830H	040745H	040915H	050900H
J.	Veh to bypass rd. As briefed.	As briefed.	By veh to bypass rd. As briefed.	By veh to bypass rd. As briefed.	As briefed.
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	As for 9036/68	As for 9036/68	As for 9036/68	As for 9036/68	a. Coy op in area from 041000H to 050900H. b. Coy HQ loc to be advised.

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A.	9046/68	9047/68	9048/68	9049/68	9050/68
B.	C Coy	B Coy	D Coy	D Coy	C Coy
C.	30D 58.00	20C 58.00	40C 58.00	40D 58.00	30C 58.00
D.	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR
E.	Ambush vicinity YS386664	Recce and obsn vicinity YS462654	Ambush vicinity YS381642	Ambush vicinity YS384655	Recce and obsn vicinity YS480654
F.	Platoon	1 : 10	Platoon	Platoon	1 : 10
G.	In loc	041745H	In loc	In loc	051715H
H.	050900H	050745H	061000H	061000H	060815H
J.	As briefed	As briefed	As briefed	As briefed	Out: B Coy In: A Coy As briefed
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	As for serial 9045/68	As for serial 9036/68	As for serial 9045/68	As for serial 9045/68	As for serial 9036/68

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A.	9051/68	9052/68	9053/68	9054/68	9055/68
B.	B Coy	B Coy	Sp Coy	Admin Coy	Admin Coy
C.	20C 58.00	20D 58.00	60C 58.00	95C 58.00	95D 58.00
D.	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR	HQ 9 RAR
E.	Ambush vicinity YS380664	Ambush vicinity YS382647	Recce and obsn vicinity YS459653	Recce and obsn vicinity YS394650	Ambush vicinity YS404659
F.	Platoon	Platoon	1 : 10	1 : 10	1 : 10
G.	In loc	In loc	061800H	071620H	071720H
H.	071000H	071000H	070730H	080850H	080810H
J.	As briefed	As briefed	As briefed	Veh to bypass rd. As briefed.	Veh to bypass rd. As briefed.
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	As for serial 9045/68	As for serial 9045/68	As for serial 9036/68	As for serial 9036/68	As for serial 9036/68

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A.	9056/68
B.	Sp Coy
C.	60C 58.00
D.	HQ 9 RAR
E.	Ambush vicinity YS485651
F.	1 : 10
G.	071640H
H.	080815H
J.	As briefed
K.	-
L.	-
M.	As for serial 9036/68

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A.	1 ARU 337/68	338/68	339/68	340/68	341/68
B.	3 P1	4 P1	4 P1	4 P1	4 P1
C.	53 56.05	54 56.05	54 56.05	54 56.05	54 56.05
D.	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP
E.	Patrol and ambush in AO ALICE.	Obsn and early wng vic of YS440640.	Obsn and early wng vic of YS437643.	Obsn and early wng vic of YS445638.	Obsn and early wng vic of YS450640.
F.	1 - 37	1 - 4	1 - 4	1 - 4	1 - 4
G.	301500H	301800H	011800H	021800H	031800H
H.	020730H	010715H	020700H	030730H	040655H
J.	Direct	Direct	Direct	Direct	Direct
K.	-	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-	-
M.	-	LOCSTAT subject to 18 ARVN Div range practice.	LOCSTAT subject to 18 ARVN Div range practice.	LOCSTAT subject to 18 ARVN Div range practice.	LOCSTAT subject to 18 ARVN Div range practice.

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A.	342/68	343/68	344/68	345/68
B.	4 P1	4 P1	4 P1	4 P1
C.	54 56.05	54 56.05	54 56.05	54 56.05
D.	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP	1 ARU CP
E.	Obsn and early wng vic of YS433639.	Obsn and early wng vic of YS455645.	Obsn and early wng vic of YS440635.	Obsn and early wng vic of YS444644.
F.	1 - 4	1 - 4	1 - 4	1 - 4
G.	041700H	051700H	061700H	071800H
H.	050715H	060730H	070745H	080730H
J.	Direct	Direct	Direct	Direct
K.	-	-	-	-
L.	-	-	-	-
M.	LOCSTAT subject to 18 ARVN Div range practice.	LOCSTAT subject to 18 ARVN Div range practice.	LOCSTAT subject to 18 ARVN Div range practice.	LOCSTAT subject to 18 ARVN Div range practice.

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CONTACT AFTER ACTION REPORT

Part 1 (to be completed by Sec/Ptl Comd)

ANNEX M Encl 1.

1. Operation: Innamincka.
2. Report by: No 210667 Rank WO2 Name R. RICHARDSON MM.
3. 1 Sec 4 Pl B Coy.
4. Strength of Sec/Ptl in contact: 27 men.
5. Date of action: 8 Sep 68 Time: 0650 hrs Duration: 15 mins.
6. Location: GR YS433772.
7. Sec/Ptl task: Perimeter defense.
8. Description of what happened in own words: Sentry spotted 4 men moving towards Company harbour. He alerted the platoon perimeter and then opened fire and then returned to company posn. The area was then engaged by a section by fire and a sweep was conducted. Tracks were found and also 1 hutchie and a pair of HO CHI MINH sandals.
9. Description of terrain: Dirty rubber, visibility approx 30 meters.
10. Distance to en when first sighted: 40 meters.
11. Which soldier first saw the en: Sentry.
12. What was soldier doing: Sentry duty.
13. What caused en to be first noticed: Movement and noise.
14. En strength and type: 4 LF Dress: Civvies with webbing.
15. Who fired first: Sentry Range: 30 meters.
16. What sec weapons were fired: M60, M79, SLR and M16.
17. What was en immediate reaction: Turned and fled along their own path.
18. What was sec immediate reaction: Stood to, fired M79's and M60's and then did a sweep.
19. En casualties: Unknown.
20. Caused by: N/a.
21. Friendly casualties: Nil
22. Caused by: N/A
23. Approx ammo expenditure: 300 rds 7.62mm, 100 5.56mm, 8 M79.
24. Docs/weapons captured: N/A
25. Lessons learnt: N/A
26. Other points: N/A.

R. Richardson WO2
(R. RICHARDSON)
CSM

1-15 25 Sep

CONTACT AFTER ACTION REPORT

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Part 1 (to be completed by sec/plt Comd)

ANNEX M Encl 2

1. Operation: HAWKESBURY.
2. Report by: 210667 Rank: WO2 Name: R. RICHARDSON MM.
3. 2 Sec 4 Pl B Coy.
4. Strength of sec/plt in contact (no of men): 8.
5. Date of action: 20 Sep 68 Time: 1011hrs. Duration: 3 mins.
6. Location: YS318912.
7. Pl Task: 3 hour Pl recce.
8. Description of what happened in own words: Contacted 2 VC dressed in black shirts and khaki trousers.
9. Description of terrain: Thick secondary growth with visibility of approx. 15 meters.
10. Distance to en when first sighted: 10 meters.
11. Which soldier first saw en: Forward scout.
12. What was soldier doing: covering his arcs.
13. What caused en to be first noticed: En wearing red rag around his neck.
14. En strength and type: 2 NVA Dress: Black shirts khaki trousers.
15. Who fired first: Forward scout Range: 10 meters
16. What sec weapons were fired: 2 x M16, 2 x M60
17. What was en immediate reaction: 1 VC froze while the other turned and ran.
18. What was sec immediate reaction: Normal "contact front" drill.
19. En casualties: 1 VC KIA (BC)
20. Caused by: M16.
21. Friendly casualties: Nil
22. Caused by: N/A
23. Approx ammo expenditure: 60 rds .56mm, 60 rds 7.62mm
24. Docs captured: Forwarded to 1 ATF. Captured 6 sets laundered greens, and black pyjamas, 10 lbs rice, 3lbs peanuts and 2 lbs salt.
25. Lessons learnt: Constant vigilance even on return route to Coy harbour.
26. Other points: Confirmed that well aimed shot from forward scout is better than haphazard shooting.

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(R. RICHARDSON)
Actg OC 4 Pl

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4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) BN (12)
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4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn
26 Sep 68.

ANNEX M Encl 3

COMBAT OPERATION AFTER ACTION REPORT 15/68OPERATION HAWKESBURY 12 - 24 SEP 68

References: A. 1 ATF SOP appx B Chapt 3.
B. Map VIETNAM Series L 8015 1:25,000

Name and Type of Operation

1. Operation HAWKESBURY. A reconnaissance in force.

Dates of Operation.

2. 12 Sep to 24 Sep 68.

Location.

3. AO TUGGERAH, centre of mass YS 495855
4. AO CANOWINDRA, centre of mass YS 310910.

Control and Command Headquarters.

5. 4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn under command HQ 1 ATF.

Task Organisation.

6. Remained under command
FO Party
MFC
Tracker Team

Supporting Forces.Artillery

7. Artillery was used for preliminary bombardment on all LZ's before insertion. There is no doubt that for the insertion of V & W Companies into AO CANOWINDRA the VC were caught on the LZ by the preliminary bombardment and thus could not leave the area until the helicopters were landing.
8. Artillery was used by W Coy for DF's for every night location throughout the operation, for mark missions when there was some doubt as to the exact locations, for softening up of the area of the VC stores caches and for the engagement of the suspect concentration area for a VC Regt.
9. During the registration of a DF after insertion into AO CANOWINDRA a round fell dangerously close to both V & W Coys. As both locations were later confirmed by ground recon and aircraft, the error must have been on the gun. The round fell both EAST and NORTH of where it should have.
10. During the firing of an H & I mission some 155 rounds fell very close to the company position and a "Checkfire" was ordered. A later check revealed that the gun position had been incorrectly recorded.

Helicopters

11. When W Coy was moved by helicopter to search for the VC stores area, the LZ was controlled by A Coy 1 RAR and secured by C Coy 1 RAR. Orders were received by all Coys only a few minutes before extraction was due to commence. Only 30 minutes before extraction the RAAF Sqn Commander also wanted the coys to move to another LZ some few hundred yards away. This, the commanders on the ground, refused to do as there was not enough time to move the coys let alone secure and prepare the LZ.
12. When the flyout commenced the aircraft came in the opposite direction to that requested and the pilots refused to take any notice of the marshallers. The number of aircraft landing at a time also varied. This led to utter confusion on the ground and it was surprising that the flyout was completed without mishap.
13. The RAAF must appreciate that once a ground plan has been made and the troops are on the LZ's, it is extremely difficult (due to noise and lack of communications between pads) to shift people from one pad to another. Nor should the pilot or gunners attempt to call more people onto a chopper when loads have been varied by ground commanders for tactical reasons.

Intelligence

14. The information that the Courtenay Rubber Plantation was being used as a transit area for VC resupply parties, proved to be most accurate. From the reaction of VC in the area, it did appear that the VC were expecting people in greens to uplift the stores as twice they called out to patrols and twice they were slow to react when they saw patrols approaching.
15. The Hamlet at YS 465883 bears further investigation as the cache found in the drain near one of the houses was obviously a VC cache. Although the books found in the cache were those of school children, they were returned for study, because of the number of VC flags that appeared in them. It would appear that the children were being indoctrinated by the VC.
16. Although the track in AO TUGGERAH in GS 5183 is wide, it has not been in constant use. There were, however, signs of a small party having used the track, shortly before the arrival of the company in the area. The party was moving EAST & NE.
17. In W Company's AO in AO CANOWINDRA the main track shown in GS 3192, had not been used for many months, although it is a likely route for a movement of a large group. The two main tracks, which were being used in the area, were running SE from YS 323937 to approximately YS 329928 and an E - W track from YS 295920 to YS318918.
18. There was also signs of movement of small parties (and elephants) in a NW to SE direction in GS 3092 and 3091.
19. It is likely that the VC party contacted on landing at the LZ was a porter party as only one burst of an AK47 was heard. Neither of the VC killed were carrying weapons when shot. One of the VC killed was extremely well fed and did not appear to have been in the jungle for very long. From the documents found in a pack, there was "a Leader" with the group and it could have been the 'well fed' one.

Mission

20. W Company's mission varied in each phase:
 - a. In AO TUGGERAH the mission was to occupy a blocking position with limited patrolling.
 - b. In the extension of AO TUGGERAH the company's mission was to sweep and search for a stores transit area in the Courtenay Rubber Estate.
 - c. In AO CANOWINDRA the mission was to conduct a reconnaissance in force within the company's AO.

Concept of Operation

21. In AO TUGGERAH the company was to move from the LZ to a blocking position on the main track at the Southern end of the AO while 1 RAR conducted a reconnaissance in force from the EAST towards the 4 RAR/LZ (ANZAC) Bn blocking positions.
22. As a result of intelligence information the company was unexpectedly extracted to conduct a sweep through a portion of COURTENAY ESTATE (centre of mass YS 465888) from the EAST towards blocking position occupied by V Company along Route 2. This

23. On completion of the above phase, both V and W boys rejoined the remainder of the battalion in AO CANOMINDRA where the task was RIF within the new company AO's.

Executinn

24. See Annex A for Sequence of Events.

Results

25. Casualties

a. Own	KIA	1
	WIA	Nil
b. Enemy	KIA	2 (Total bn kills 24 plus 2 PW's)
	WIA	1 (Blood trail)

26. Equipment Captured

a. AO TUGGERAH

	<u>Item</u>	<u>Qty</u>
(1) <u>Cache No 1</u>	Sardines tins	27
	Mackerel tins	27
	Condensed milk tins	46
	Torches hand	159
	Nylon material 22 yds Rolls	43
	Plastic sheeting Rolls	25-30
(2) <u>Cache No 2</u>	Hypodermic syringes	90
	Cotton wool sarks	2
	Mosquito netting. (possibly gauze)	
	Bags	2
	Needles hypodermic	240
	Stethoscopes	2
	Thermometers	10
	Scissors	6
Surgical forceps	12	
(3) <u>Cache No 3</u>	Rice bags 1 cwt	2
(4) <u>Cache No 4</u>	Intravenous packs	122
	Batteries torch assorted	1x44 gal drum full
	Batteries torch assorted	2 sandbags
	Shirts white (US Navy)	30
(5) <u>Cache No 5</u>	Rice 1 cwt bags	1
	Batteries torch assorted	1 large bag
(6) <u>Cache No 6</u>	Food (milk & fish) tins	80-100
	Blood plasma packs	7
	Batteries torch assorted	2 large bags
	Intravenous packs	100
	Nylon material green rolls	10
	Shirts white	30
	Shorts light blue	1 large bag
	Carbon paper	3 bundles
	Typing paper	3 bundles
	Belts waist US pattern	1 sugar bag
	(7) <u>Other items found in area of caches</u>	Compass US PAT
Camera (no film) (Minalta)		1
Jar of rice		30lbs approx.
Jar of corn		40lbs approx
1 ammo box containing 10lbs rice and 10 tins fish.		
1 Clip of .300 ammo (5 rounds)		
3 Chicom grenades		
1 Anti tank drogue chute grenade		

1 VC cap
 1 Pr Ho Minh salts
 7 Packs
 1 Sugar bag containing quilted sleeping bag
 and tins of fish and milk.
 2 Bicycles
 1 Can Budweiser beer
 1 Can lemonade

(8) Found in Hamlet at YS 465883

Tins fish	10
Tins of cooking oil	2
Kerosene in plastic container	1
Powered milk, tins, large	1
Sugar bag	1
Epson salts (large tin)	1
Medical supplies	
Batteries torch	30
School book wrapped in plastic	
Soap cakes	30

b. AO CANOWINDRA

Packs (pers effects)	6
Hammocks	9
Cooking utensils various	
Medical supplies	
Certificates of Commendation	2
Part of ID card	1
Cyanide Capsule (with instrs)	1
Wallets (with photos)	1

Administrative Matters

27. Again many of the wrong items of equipment were received in the field because messages were garbled during transmission. To alleviate this it is strongly recommended that a commodity code be adopted. This will cut down transmission time and will allow time for a readback by c/s oB or 95B.
28. In one case the rear echelon altered the figures for the quantity of rations requested. Under no circumstances should they do this without reference to the requesting company as demands may be governed by future plans and may not bear any relationship to actual strength figures.

Special Techniques

29. Throughout the operation a tracker team was with the company but only on one occasion was the team employed in its correct role.
30. At the time of contact at the LZ at YS 345935 the tracker team had no dog and the follow up was initially carried out using the visual tracker only. No difficulty was experienced following the tracks of the main body of the VC party. A dog and handler were flown in and the dog immediately took up the chase. The VC party split up three times but the main trail lead to a possible RV and waterpoint where many footprints lead off in all directions. Because of approaching darkness and close proximity to an inter-company boundary, the follow up was terminated at 1800 hrs. Two platoons and tracker team remained in ambush in the area of possible RV, but there was no further sign of any VC.

Lessons Learnt

31. When searching for caches or VC in very close country, it is essential that each searcher has a cover man who does not get out of his sight. At the time the member of the company was killed, there were two soldiers within five yards, but neither of them saw, or could tell, where the firing came from.
32. The control of a PZ by units of another battalion is not a good idea, especially if orders are not received until shortly before flyout.

33. Within the limits of safety and available aircraft, the RAAF Air Mobile Company must follow the plan dictated by the commander on the ground. Aircraft must also obey the marshallers on each pad, especially where the formation on the ground is not a standard one. If one formation is used at the PZ and another at the LZ it is essential to know in what order the aircraft will land at the LZ for insertion. A standard method of numbering aircraft/pads should be adopted, as at the present it does vary between units.

34. Greater use should be made of battalion tracker teams when they are available.

Commanders Analysis

35. The destruction and removal of stores and equipment from the VC caches will seriously impede VC activity in the area for some months. However as it will take some time for the VC to change their resupply routes, the area of the caches should be kept under surveillance.

36. A relatively quiet, but successful operation.

P. G. Motop

Maj
OC W Coy

SEQUENCE OF EVENTS
OPERATION HAWKESBURY

<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Comment</u>
121220H (approx)	Fly in to AO TUGGERAH complete. LZ at YS 492858.	
121300H	Coy commenced move to south of Coy AO.	No sign of any VC move through area.
121830H	Night harbour estb at YS 510836 for whole coy.	
130620H	C/s 72 patrolled to the WEST to check coy posn in relation to the stream. Patrol returned at 0720 hrs.	
130750H	C/s 71 patrolled to the EAST in GS 5183 to check for VC movement on known main track.	There were signs of one person having used the track in last 24hrs. Person was travelling to NE.
130800H	C/s 73 patrolled to the SOUTH to recce a possible coy blocking position in the area of the track YS 511831. There were fresh signs of movement of a small party from EAST to WEST on the track at YS 510831.	
131030H	C/s 71 & 73 returned to coy harbour. Coy then moved to establish a coy ambush on the main track at YS 512831.	Dog with tracker team evacuated as it had been bitten by a spider.
131815H	Warning order received for a move to a new area the following morning for a special coy task.	
140630H	Coy commenced move to PZ at YS 524843.	LZ secured by 1 RAR.
141015H	Received orders for move to a new area for a sweep and search of a possible VC stores transit area in rubber in GS 4688 and GS 4788. V Coy was to estb blocking positions along Route 2 to the WEST of the area to be searched. OC V Coy to con the op.	A message had been intercepted which stated that "the stores" were to be delivered to the area by 141830H.
141030H	Flyout to LZ in vic of YS 488875 commenced. Aircraft arrived in opposite direction to that requested, loaded where they liked and to YS 473895. C/s 71 in varying numbers. However eventually SOUTH all the coy arrived at the LZ where orders for the op were issued, this being the first opportunity. The coy then moved to a SL on the edge of the rubber	Coy was spread out along the SL from YS 473887 to YS 473895. C/s 71 in Centre SOUTH c/s 72 in NORTH
141200H	Sweep commenced to the WEST.	
141212H	C/s 73 found a camera, a compass and a clip of ammunition on a track through the long grass and young rubber at YS 472888	The area forward of the SL was young rubber, coffee bean trees and very tall grass. Visibility was only about 5 feet.
141215H	C/s 72 located cache. By last light they had located six caches. All in vic of YS 472889.	

- 141430H C/s 73 reached the area of rubber on the far side of the creek, turned about and commenced to sweep back EAST through the area already searched.
- 141447H Two bursts of automatic fire from the area of the creek vic YS 471888. One member of c/s 73 killed instantly at short range. Area was immediately cleared of all pers and was swept with fire and M-79 grenades. Area was searched but nothing was found. (a blood trail and one Ho Chi Minh sandal was located nearby the following day.
- 141500H C/s 71 fired on two VC dressed in greens, wearing webbing and hats. The VC were about to fire on two other members of the Pl who were searching a patch of scrub. Contact was in the vic YS 470885. The VC fled to the SW c/s 71 followed up.
- 141530H C/s 73 located an old enemy which had recently renovated in the area of the caches. There was an old hut, the roof of which had been camouflaged, a bunker and sleeping areas for 6 to 8. a Drogue Chute Anti-tank grenade in good condition was also picked up on the track near the camp.
- 141545H C/s 71 followed the of the 2 VC to the area of the HAMLET at YS 465883 to search the area. A small cache containing tinned food, food oil, kerosene, soap, torch batteries, salt, Epsom salts and school books was found buried in a drain behind one of the houses. A tunnel which showed recent signs of use, was also located. A Pl of V Coy (c/s 51) joined c/s 71 to assist in the search of the houses and tunnel.
- 141800H C/s 71 moved to ambush track junction at YS 468884. C/s 72 transferred most of the items from the caches to a central area and set up an ambush around the equip at approx YS 472894.
- 141850H C/s 73 and Coy HQ commenced to move to an ambush position on the Eastern side of the creek at YS 473888. As the leading section crossed the creek 2 VC called out to them from the bank above, The Interpreter called to the VC to come across the creek but nothing happened. When a rapid movement back down the track was heard the area was engaged by M-60 and M-79's. A sect followed up but due to lack of light covered only the immediate area. C/S 73 and Coy HQ then moved into ambush. The following morning one VC cap and tracks for two were found.
- 150700H The coy reassembled on the Western side of the stream at YS 471890 and transferred all the captured equipment to a safe distance from the stream so that the area could be engaged by arty. The coy then withdrew to YS 465885 while the area was shelled.
- 151030H The coy returned to the search area and was joined by V Coy and a section of APC's and two tanks.
- Also in one of the packs were 1 Commendation Certificate, 2 Party ID papers, 1 ID card.

- 151120H An element of c/s 71 moved down to the creek to collect water. while collecting water the sentries spotted 3 VC in the trees above them watching. They fled before the sentry could open fire. Area was engaged and searched, but nothing (apart from a bicycle) was found. The lead VC was carrying an AK47 but VC did not open fire. They were perhaps confused by the dark skins of some of the Maoris. (See Annex E).
- 151200H C/s 72 commenced to search the WESTERN side of the stream. C/s 73 commenced to search the EASTERN side of the stream towards the SOUTH - an area that had not previously been searched. Under one of the old rubber treatment sheds at YS 472887 a tunnel was found behind a hollow wall. A qty of rice and a bag of white crystalline chemicals was hidden in the tunnel.
- 151200H A pl of c/s 5 searched the EASTERN side of the stream. C/s 71 provided protection on the EASTERN side of the area being searched and a Pl of c/s 5 provided protection on the WEST and NORTH. Both Pls conducting the search continued to find small caches of food and equipment. The tanks fired cannister and HE into the search area before the pls re-entered the area.
- 151800H C/s 73 mounted an ambush on tracks on the EASTERN bank of the stream at YS 474884. In the ambush position they located an ammo box containing 10lbs rice, tinned fish and spices. The remainder of the coy and V Coy esth a night harbour at YS 471888.
- 160800H The area from YS 472891 to YS 472896 searched by c/s 71 and 2 pls of V Coy. Remaining pls provided flank protection. A further five packs were located by c/s 71. These contained mostly clothing, an AK 47 mag and a grenade.
- 161300H V and W Coys moved to an LZ at YS 471895 for the flyout to AO CANOWINDRA. V Coy con flyout.
- 161500H Flyout commenced.
- 161510H As the helicopters were coming into land at YS 315936 a VC was sighted from the last helicopter. An element of c/s 73 was sent to investigate. VC had been pinned down on the LZ by arty and rocket fire.
- 0161520H C/s 73 engaged 2 VC with SA and M79's. One body was recovered in the follow up. When all was quite the flyin of the remainder of W and V coy continued. C/s 73 located tracks for 2 or 3 VC so continued the follow up. A request was submitted for a dog for the tracker team. The dog arrived 30 mins later. C/s 73 located 6 packs and 9 hammocks. Packs contained clothing, medical supplies, cooking gear, rice and some documents including two Commendation Certificates. Both VC killed had previously been wounded by M79 fire. No weapons were found but some AK47 cases were found on the track.
- 161530H C/s took over the followup with the tracker team. One VC was engaged and killed. The tracker team also engaged movement to their flank with unknown results. Tracks for 6 - 8 VC were followed on the main track and 3 times the party split up. The party was probably local carriers as there appeared to be few wpns Dress was a mixture of black and green. all those sighted were wearing webbing. (See Annexes F&G.)

- 161505H C/s moved assist c/s 72 with the follow up. C/s 73 and Coy HQ estb an ambush on the track the VC used at YS 313937.
- 161830H C/s 71, 72 and tracker team stopped the follow up as they were approaching the inter-coy boundary and because it was getting dark. VC tracks ended at what appeared to be an RV and water point. Tracks lead off in all directions. The area was ambushed (YS 328927).
- 161845H A VC carrying an AK47 approached c/s 73 perimeter. He fled before the sentry could fire.
- 161900H During registration of a DF to the WEST a round landed closer to the coy than anticipated. Shrapnel also fell into V Coy who were NORTH of our loc and this confirmed that the loc of c/s 73 and Coy HQ was further EAST than anticipated.
- 170800H C/s 72 returned to Coy HQ to pickup their packs. C/s 71 commenced to patrol in GS 3292 and 3291. Coy HQ and c/s 72 moved to estb a coy base at YS 317930 and were later joined by c/s 71. C/s 73 remained in ambush on the track at YS 323937.
- 180750H C/s 72 commenced a RIF in GS 3093, 3092, 3193 and 3192. C/s 73 left a small elm in ambush at YS 323937 and patrolled to their EAST and SE. At YS 329937 they located a small track that showed signs of recent movement of a few people in a southerly direction.
- 181315H C/s 72 reported tracks for up to a VC Pl moving in a Southerly direction in vic of YS 305902. Tracks were 24 hrs old. Following in same direction, and of the same age, were a set of elephant prints. C/s 72 returned to the coy base at 1715 hrs.
- 190730H C/s 71 commenced RIF in GS 3192 and 3191. C/s 73 remained in ambush and patrolled to their SOUTH.
- 190905H C/s 71 at YS 312922 located a resting place for 20 VC which had not been used for about 1 month.
- 190920H C/s 71 reported signs of en route through the area of YS 312920 approx 48 hrs old.
- 190925H At YS 311920 c/s 71 located tracks for a VC squad and an elephant moving in a NORTHERLY direction. Tracks were more than a day old.
- 191020H C/s 71 again reported tracks for a VC pl and 3 elephants about 48 hrs old at YS 309920. Tracks were heading in a NW direction.
- 191500H Elms of all c/s moved to an LZ on the BLACKSTONE trail to receive a maintdem.
- 191800H C/s 71 and 72 remained in coy base. C/s 73 remained in ambush at YS 323937.
- 200950H C/s 71 moved to BLACKSTONE trail with a medivac. C/s 73 also had a person to be backloaded so they moved to the LZ and joined Coy HQ at the coy base.
- 201300H C/s 72, 73 and Coy HQ moved to estb a new base at YS 305928. On completion of the medivac c/s 71 moved to ambush an E-7 track at YS 301924.

As the coy was further EAST than plotted the round definitely fell further NORTH and EAST than it should have.

- 210900H Two further M. Livacs escorted to LZ on the BLACKSTONE trail by c/s 73. C/s 71 commenced RIF in GS 3092 and 2991.
- 210945H C/s 71 located a very well used E-W track at YS 299921 which had been used in the last 24 hrs. A section was left in ambush on the track while the remainder of the pl continued their patrol. The Pl returned to the ambush posn for the night.
- 211300H C/s 73 departed on a patrol SOUTH of the coy base in GS 3091 and 3092.
- 211800H C/s 72 and 73 remained in the coy base c/s 71 in ambush on track at YS 299921.
- 220800H C/s 72 and Coy HQ moved to LZ on the BLACKSTONE TRAIL to receive maintdem. An element of C/S 71 departed their ambush posn for the coy base.
- 221055H C/s 72 returned to coy base and c/s 73 departed for the LZ to uplift additional stores.
- 221230H C/s 72 and Coy HQ returned to coy base.
- 221330H The elm of c/s 71 finally located the coy base and uplifted their rats.
- 221400H The area of YS 313922 was engaged by 104 Bty as it was the area of a suspected VC Regt. As soon as the bombardment was completed c/s 72 departed to investigate. Apart from a few well used tracks nothing was found in the area.
- 230900H C/s 71 moved from their ambush to rejoin the coy.
- 231300H The coy moved to the BLACKSTONE TRAIL to join V Coy for the flyout the following day. Night harbour estb at YS 302935.
- 240730H V and W Coys commenced to flyout from LZ at YS 303933 for NUI DAT. Flyout completed by 0840Hrs.

CONTACT AFTER ACTION REPORT
4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) BN.

Part 1 (to be completed by Section/Patrol Commander).

1. Operation HAWKESBURY
2. Reported by 30759 Lt BC Barley.
3. 3 Pl W Coy 4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn.
4. Strength of Sect/Pl in contact (no of men): 1.
5. Date of action: 14 Sep. Time: 1500. Duration: 20 secs.
6. Location: 473893.
7. Sect/Pl task: Searching in small groups for caches in a stream bed and adjacent areas.
8. Describe in own words what happened (including diagrams): What happened in detail is unknown. I suspect that the damage was done by a VC in a spider hole.
9. Description of terrain (to include range of visibility etc): Elephant grass. 7' tall. Varied between 3m and 15m.
10. Distance to the enemy when first sighted: N/A.
11. Which soldier first saw the enemy: N/A.
12. What was the soldier doing: Searching.
13. What caused the enemy to be noticed: N/A.
14. VC strength and type: N/A. (Main Regional Local) Dress: Ho Chi Minh sandals re-recovered.
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15. Who fired first? VC only/Range: 5m to 8m.
16. What section weapons were fired? M-60 in sweep of area.
17. What was the enemy's immediate reaction? N/A.
18. What was the sections immediate reaction? None except to cover the general area.
19. Enemy casualties: 1 WIA (blood trail) found 12 hrs later.
20. Caused by (weapon): M-60 possibly.
21. Friendly casualties: 1 KIA.
22. Caused by (weapon): Suspected M-16, possibly AK -47. 1 spent cartridge of 5.56mm was picked up in the general area.
23. Approximate ammunition expenditure: 600 7.62mm mixed-link.
24. Documents/Weapons captured: Nil.
25. Lessons learnt: When soldiers are working in small groups they must stay together and cover each other at all times.
26. Other points:
 - a. Feelings were high in the Pl because;
 1. No reaction was possible.
 2. Nobody knew exactly what happened.
 3. It was our first KIA in the Pl.
 - b. Problem is now solved.

Part 2 - Platoon Commander's Comments.

- 27. Related section report:
- 28. Describe Pl actions:
- 29. Estimate of all ammunition fired during contact (incl Arty, mor and air)

Part 3 - Company Commander's Comments

- 30. Comments: The pl had already swept through the area and had turned about to search again. Another Pl had also been through the area. No immediate action could be taken as Coy HQ was 20m behind the area of contact and everyone had to be cleared from the area before firing could commence.

BC BARLEY
..... Pl Comd

P. L. L. M.
..... Coy Comd

CONTACT AFTER ACTION REPORT
4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) BN

Part 1 (to be completed by Section/Patrol Commander)

1. Operation HAWKESBURY.
2. Report by 30799 Lt Steel.
- 3.1 Pl W Coy 4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn.
4. Strength of Sect/Pl in contact (no Of men) 2.
5. Date of action: 14 Sep Time: 1500hrs Duration: 2 seconds plus follow up.
6. Location: 470885.
7. Section/Pl task: Sentry on edge of rubber.
8. Describe in own words what happened (include diagrams) 1 sentry was checking a track for marks. Another sentry saw 2 VC approach from WEST, VC were armed, wearing webbing. Senrty fired quickly to warn the other sentry, and scared off the VC, who looked to be preparing to fire at the other sentry on the track. The burst was not accurate because of the speed and poor vision.
9. Description of terrain (Include range of visibility etc) Old rubber and long grass.
10. Distance to enemy when first sighted: 150 m.
11. Which soldier first saw enemy: Sentry by M -60
12. What was soldier doing? On sentry.
13. What caused enemy to be noticed? Movement.
14. VC strength and type: 2 Main force (poss) Dress: greens, webbing, wpns and hats.
15. Who fired first? Sentry. Range. 150 m.
16. What section weapon fired first? M-60.
17. What was the enemies immediate reaction? Run back.
18. What was the section's immediate reaction? Close up on the sentry, then sweep the area in the en withdrawal route to small rubber tappers village.
19. Enemy casualties: Nil.
20. Caused by (weapon): N/A.
21. Friendly casualties: Nil.
22. Caused by (weapon): N/A.
23. Approximate ammunition expenditure: 30.
24. Documents/weapons captured: Nil. Small cache at house in village.
25. Lessons learnt: Sentry observing track should have moved the gun to give better cover.
26. Other points: On sweeping through the village 1 soldier found a small cache underneath drainage tiles of empty smoke house.
Cache included;

10 tins fish	3 cans beer
30 cakes soap	bag of sugar
small qty of medical supplies	bag of salt
documents and school books	2 tins of cooking oil

tin of kerosene

unidentified crystals.

Part 2 - Platoon Commander's Comments.

27. Related section report:
28. Describe Pl actions: Pl closed up and swept enemy withdraw route, to village. Searched village. 2 women and 8 children in village. Eldest women disclaimed all knowledge of cache.
29. Estimate of all ammunition fired during contact (incl Arty, Mor and Air)

Part 3 - Company Commander's Comments.

30. Comments: The VC were not actually engaged by the sentry as he thought they could possibly be ARVN. However when they appeared to take aim at the other sentry, he fired in their general direction.

EG STEEL

.....Pl Comd

R. H. ...
.....Coy Comd

CONTACT AFTER ACTION REPORT

4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) BN

Part 1 (to be completed by Section/Patrol Commander)

1. Operation HAWKESBURY
2. Report by: 30759 Lt BC Barley.
3. 3 Pl W Coy 4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn.
4. Strength of Sect/Pl in contact (no of men) 28
5. Date of action: 14 Sep. Time: 1850. Duration: 5mins.
6. Location: 473893.
7. Section/Patrol task: Moving to night ambush.
8. Describe in own words what happened (include diagrams). Just as the platoon was about to cross the stream and move into the night harbour position a Vietnamese was heard from the other side of the stream, calling out. I immediately moved two guns forward to cover the other side of the stream. Then the interpreter was used to call back to the VC and try and coax them across. This did not work and the general area was engaged with M-60 and M-79. One hat was recovered.
9. Description of terrain (to include range of visibility etc). Elephant grass, creek and dense young rubber. Visibility - 10m to stream. Other bank visibility nil.
10. Distance to when enemy was first sighted: Not sighted.
11. Which soldier first saw the enemy? N/A.
12. What caused enemy to be noticed? Voices.
13. What was soldier doing? N/A.
14. VC strength and type. Not known - more than one. Dress. Not known.
15. Who fired first? M-60's. Range. 30 - 40 m.
16. What section weapons were fired? M-79 & M-60.
17. What was the enemy's immediate reaction? Withdrew.
18. What was the section's immediate reaction? Crossed the stream under covering fire and followed up. NTR.
19. Enemy casualties: Unknown.
20. Caused by (weapon): N/A.
21. Friendly casualties: Nil.
22. Caused by (weapon): N/A.
23. Approximate ammunition expenditure: 300 7.62 mixed-link. 12 rds 40mm.
24. Documents captured: NIL
25. Lessons learnt:
26. Other points:

Part 2 - Platoon Commander's Comments

27. Related section report:

28. Describe Pl actions: Had the Pl moved 5 mins early an orthodox contact front would have occurred. As it was 3 men were actually crossing the stream when the VC called out. Darkness precluded detailed follow up.

29. Estimate of all ammunition fired during the contact (incl Arty, Mor and Air)

Part 3 - Company Commander's Comments

30. Comments: The VC were obviously expecting someone in pick up party or guides and called out when they heard someone crossing the stream.

BC BARLEY
.....Pl Comd

Pl. H. J. Day
.....Coy Comd

CONTACT AFTER ACTION REPORT

4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn.

Part 1 - (to be completed by Section/Patrol Commander).

1. Operation HAWKESBURY.
2. Report by 30799 Lt Steel.
3. 1 Pl W Coy 4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn.
4. Strength of Sect/Pl in contact (no of men): 3.
5. Date of action: 15 Sep. Time: 1000hrs. Duration: 5 mins.
6. Location: 472887
7. Section/Patrol task: Water party.
8. Describe in own words what happened (include diagrams). An element of the Pl went to the stream to fill water bottles. 2 members of the party crossed stream as sentry, and observed 3 VC watching them from track above. VC fled when sighted sentry. Opened fire immediately. Remainder of Pl closed up and followed up and swept area but found nothing.
9. Description of terrain (to include range of visibility etc): Lalang, very young rubber and citrus fruit trees.
10. Distance to enemy when first sighted: 75m.
11. Which soldier first saw the enemy? The one crossing the stream to the south.
12. What was the soldier doing? Moving to sentry position.
13. What caused enemy to be noticed? Slight movement.
14. VC strength 3 type Local Dress black dress no webbing.
15. Who fired first? Soldier protecting to the south. Range 75m.
16. What section weapons were fired? 1 x M-16.
17. What was the enemy's immediate reaction? Run on being sighted.
18. What was the section's immediate reaction? Close up on the scene of the contact.
19. Enemy casualties: Nil.
20. Caused by (weapon): N/A.
21. Friendly casualties: Nil.
22. Caused by (weapon): N/A.
23. Approximate ammunition expenditure: 80 x 5.56mm. Prophylactic fire was used in the sweep.
24. Documents/Weapons captured: Nil.
25. Lessons learnt: The need for protection of a water party.
26. Other points. Enemy appeared to be observing coy activities.

Part 2 - Platoon Commander's Comments.

27. Related section report.
28. Describe Pl actions.: Only one section and Pl HQ available for follow up and sweep.
29. Estimate of all ammunition fire during contact (incl Arty, Morand Air) 140 5.56
100 x M-60 120 x 7.62

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Part 3 - Company Commander's Comments

30. Comments: The incident illustrated why sentries are necessary at a water point.
It is pity it had not happened earlier in the tour.

.....Ptl Comd

BC BARLEY
.....Pl Comd

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.....Coy Comd



CONTACT AFTER ACTION REPORT

4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) BN

Part 1 - (to be completed by Section/Patrol Commander=)

1. Operation HAWKESBURY
2. Report by 30759 Lt RC Barley
3. 3 Pl W Coy 4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn.
4. Strength of Sect/Pl in contact (no of men) 7
5. Date of action 16 Sep Time 1520hrs Duration 5 mins.
6. Location: 323937.
7. Patrol task: Securing LP.
8. Describe in own words what happened (include diagrams). 1 VC was spotted as first wave of nine choppers were landing. As the bulk of the Pl were required for security of the LP for the further fly in of the coy plus another coy I took two M-60 gun groups, a M-79 number and my sig and moved to the area of the sighting. Because of the dense growth I decided to move forward by fire and movement. As we moved forward we located 6 packs and contact 1 VC (KIA). The sweep continued for a further 100 yards and then because having located sign of 8 - 10 VC having withdrawn and because of the smallness of my party I handed over the follow-up to 2 Pl complete. They KIA 1 x VC. Both VC did not have weapons. Packs contained personal gear, medical supplies, rice and cooking utensils. The group appeared to be 10-12 strong, basically bearers with small escort groups.
9. Description of terrain (to include range of visibility etc). Thick young growth - then primary jungle. Firstly visibility was 3 - 5 m, then 15-30 m.
10. Distance to enemy when first sighted: 5m.
11. Which soldier first saw enemy? M-60 No-2 Pte Howell
12. What was soldier doing? Sweeping forward.
13. What caused enemy to be noticed? Movement.
14. VC strength and type 10 - 12 Main & Local. Dress Black - green. Civilian clothes.
15. Who fired first? Howell Range 5m.
16. What was enemy's immediate reaction? Nil.
17. What section weapons were fired? 2 x M-60's 1 x M-79
18. What was sections immediate reaction? N/A Ptl swept by fire and movement.
19. Enemy casualties: 1 KIA 1 WIA
20. Caused by (weapon): M-60, but both VC had severe wounds caused by M-79.
21. Friendly casualties: Nil
22. Caused by (weapon) N/A.
23. Approximate ammunition expenditure: 2000 7.62 mixed-link 36 40mm M-79
24. Documents/Weapons captured: Nil weapons. Documents included Certificates of Merits.
25. Lessons learnt: M-79 is an extremely effective wpn when used in a direct fire role with HE when firing from a cleared space into trees. The tree burst is very effective. Far better accuracy is achieved this way rather than lobbing.

26. Other points:

Part 2 - Platoon Commander's Comments

27. Related section report:

28. Describe Pl actions.

29. Estimate of all ammunition fired during contact (incl Arty, Mor and Air).

Total contact incl 2 Pl follow-up.

4000 7.62 link.

500 7.62 ball.

36 40mm M-79.

500 5.56 ball.

Company Commander's Comments

30. Comments: I would not let the Pl comd take his whole Pl as they were required to protect the LZ. Had I let him go and take his own Pl and delayed the remainder of the fly-in he would probably have got more VC.

BC BARLEY
.....Pl Comd

P. H. [Signature]
.....Coy Comd

CONTACT AFTER ACTION REPORT

4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) BN.

Part 1 (to be completed by Section/Patrol commander)

1. Operation HAWKESBURY.
2. Report by: 36473 Sgt Fraser I
3. 2 Pl W coy 4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) BN
4. Strength of Sect/Pl in contact: 24.
5. Date of action: 16 Sep. Time: 1530 Hrs. Duration: .
6. Location: 321935.
7. Section/Patrol task: Follow-up after contact by 3 Pl W Coy.
8. Describe what happened in own words (include diagrams). Pl was following up along a track for 10 - 12 VC. One VC ran out of the jungle into a clearing on the side of the track. He was shot and killed. It was obvious that the VC had been pinned down by 3 Pls fire. After 3 Pl broke contact VC endeavoured to escape but ran into 2 Pl.
9. Description of terrain (to include range of visibility) Track well used running 2700 mils. Thick undergrowth . Muddy, with large pools of water on track.
10. Distance to enemy when first sighted: 15 metres.
11. Which soldier saw enemy? L/cpl Smeath.
12. What was soldier doing? Patrolling.
13. What caused enemy to be noticed? Movement.
14. VC strength 1, type local dress shorts, blue shirt, webb belt abd water bottle.
15. Who fired first? L/cpl Smeath. Range 15 metres.
16. What section weapons were fired? M-16, M-60 and SLR.
17. What was enemy's immediate reaction? Nil.
18. What was sections immediate reaction? Rake area with controlled fire.
19. Enemy casualties: 1 KIA.
20. Caused by (weapon): SLR
21. Friendly casualties: Nil
22. Caused by (weapon): N/A.
23. Approximate ammunition expenditure: 100 7.62, 200 mixed link, 20 5.56.
24. Documents/weapons captured: Nil.
25. Lessons learnt: follow ups to be carried out speedily but silently.
26. other points:

Part 2 - Platoon Commanders Comments

27. Related section report.
28. Describe Pl action.
29. Estimate of all ammunition fired during contact (incl Aty, mor and air)

Part 3 - Company Commander's Comments

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30. Comments: The VC had been previously wounded by 3 Pl and could have had time to hide his weapon. However the area was searched thoroughly but nothing was found.

.....IS FRASER.....Pl Comd

Philip May
.....Coy Comd



Comp Day

W Coy
4 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) Bn

Oct 68

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ANNEX M Encl 4

COMBAT OPERATIONS AFTER ACTION REPORT W 16/68
OPERATION SCEPTRE 23 SEP 68 - 6 OCT 68

- References:
- A. 1 ATF SOP Appendix 4 to Annex B Chap 3
 - B. 1 ATF Op Instr 54/68 (Op SCEPTRE)
 - C. 4 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) Bn Op Instr 5/68 (Op SCEPTRE)
 - D. Map VIETNAM Series L7014 Sheets 6430 11 and 111.

Name and Type of Operation

1. Operation SCEPTRE

A reconnaissance in force.

Dates of Operation

2. 28 Sep 68 to 6 Oct 68.

Location

3. AO MUSTANG, centre of mass is 430805 i.e. in the area of AP NGAI GIAO and NUI NHAN.

Control or Command Headquarters

4. W Coy, remained under command of 4 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) Bn, but was responsible for the control and coordination of all operations in AO MUSTANG.

Task Organisation

- 5. a. Remaining under command; FO Party and MFC
 - b. Under command from 280800H(Sep); Mor Sect 4 RAR
 - c. Under op con from 280600H Sep until released; Sect A Sqn 3 Cav Regt.
Two Mor APCs
Combat Engr Team
 - d. Under op con from 280600H Sep until completion of rd mov; Tp A Sqn 3 Cav Regt (minus one sect)
 - e. In gen sp; Bty A 2/35 Arty (155mm).
6. A tracket team was inserted on 30 Sep 68 and remained under comd for the remainder of the operation.
7. All APCs, including Mor APCs were released on 28 Sep 68 as they were unable to reach the FSPB area.

Supporting Forces

APCs

8. As an APC tp is NOT capable of lifting the complete coy plus atts, when fully equipped, a fourth sect was provided by A Sqn 3 Cav Regt for the road move.
9. For the insertion it was planned to take the coy mounted to an assy area in the vic of YS435797. The sect of APCs and mor tracks remaining with the coy were then to be escorted by dismounted troops to the proposed FSPB in the vic of YS427802, while the remainder of the tp inserted one of the pls into the northern end of the AO in the vic of YS435817. However, because of heavy rain in the previous two days the ground on the far side of the creek at YS450781 was impassible to APCs in spite of the fact they were able to cross the creek. As the crossing near NGAI GIAO was cratered, and the rds in the area had previously been mined, it was not considered worthwhile attempting another crossing. Plans had therefore to be changed rather

rapidly as it was already late afternoon (and raining hard).

10. Because of the time remaining it was decided to estb the FSPB in the area of theassy area at YS435797 and the coy set off on foot to secure the area for the fly in of the mors and stores. Two sects of APCs were despatched to insert a pl in the northern end of the AO but because of trouble with tracks they did not reach their destination and the pl was dropped at YS447831. The remainder of the tp returned to the vic of Route 2 at YS461776 to secure a PZ for the fly in of mors and stores.

11. Without the use of the APO radios during this early phase of the op there would have been no comms with bn HQ. The tp was most helpful in getting the stores fwd by air from the PZ. They remained in the area until the coy was secure in the FSPB and comms had been estb with bn.

Artillery

12. The only arty within range was the 155mm Bty and their firing was extremely accurate. A DF was adjusted with 600m.

13. A number of H & I msns were fired by the bty and several known and suspected en camps were engaged. In spite of the fact that a close DF had been adjusted the coy was requested to go below ground when tgts some 1200m away were being engaged. This request surprised members of the coy when we had specifically been asked not to lose faith in the accuracy of the 155mm Bty.

14. In the prepn of the fire plan for the attack on a suspected base camp several preplanned tgts were given to the 155mm Bty. These started at over 1,000m from the nearest pl and progressively came to 600m. As the A/FO was with the pl in the area this plan was acceptable to the coy cmd as the fire could have been stopped at any stage, if it was getting too close. The fire was also overhead. However, Arty Tac HQ cancelled the two closest tgts which were of course the tgts in the most likely areas. This action by Arty Tac HQ did little to instill faith in the 155mm Bty.

15. Two 155mm guns fired by ARVN in the DUC THANH Post were used one on occasion to engage a possible escape route from a camp which had just been captured. Due to comms difficulties with the pl in the camp at the time the fire could not be adjusted so the msn was terminated. However the fire was falling in the correct area.

16. W Coy has now conducted a number of independent Ops when out of range of 105mm btys. On all these Ops difficulty has been experienced with 81mm mor base plates when firing for extended periods. There is also the problem of lack of range for illuminating night ambushes which are out from the FSPB. The use of even two 105mm guns in such a sit would give the coy much greater flexibility. The possibility of the re-introduction of the L5 105mm How for such a task is worth considering.

Engineers

17. As one of the tasks of the coy was to destroy all base camps found, two engineers were deployed with each pl at all times. Their task was to assess the explosive required for the deml of the bunkers at a later date, as it was not intended to blow the camps until it was clear that the VC knew the coy was operating in the area.

18. Because the coy continued to have contacts the demls did not commence until the last few days of the op. Consequently only four of the camps found were destroyed by explosives and many isolated bunkers and camps still remain in the area.

Intelligence

19. Anticipated Sit. Prior to the op int was based mainly on incidents that had occurred in the area since 11 Sep 68. It was anticipated that a gp of up to pl str could be contacted, but contact with the BINH BA and NGAI GIAO guerillas was likely. There was a possibility that a District HQ was located somewhere in the AO. The rds near NGAI GIAO had been mined on many occasions and the village was known to be sympathetic to the VC cause. Little was known of the track systems in the area except for those loc by the coy during Op INNAMINCKA in GS4280.

20. Positive Info

a. Camps were loc at:

- (1) YS442826 - 2 bunkers (Not destroyed)
- (2) YS444803 - 7 under constr. 4 complete. Sleeping spaces for 30 (Not destroyed)
- (3) YS447812 - 1 bunker 1 hut (not destroyed)
- (4) YS408803 - Tunnel in area of old camp. Some bunkers still intact (Not destroyed)
- (5) YS405799 - Partially destroyed camp. 5 bunkers still useable. (Not destroyed)
- (6) YS397794 - 7 bunkers, 1 Hut, 2 kitchens, 1 well (Not destroyed)
- (7) YS445812 - Destroyed camp. 1 bunker still in use (Not destroyed)
- (8) YS448815 - 3 bunkers. (Not destroyed)
- (9) YS449818 - 1 bunker, 1 hut (Not destroyed)
- (10) YS455804 - 1 hut, bed spaces for 8-12, 1 bunker (bunker destroyed)
- (11) YS455807 - 3 bunkers, bed spaces for 8-12 (Destroyed)
- (12) YS420809 - 2 small camps (Destroyed).

b. VC Staging Post

A VC staging post is loc in the rubber in the vic of YS426796. This was confirmed by the PW and ptls. Area consists of a number of cleared areas, small piles of wood and one shelter

c. Tracks

- (1) A marked map showing new tracks was already been submitted
- (2) The E-W track from YS400799 to YS419799 shows signs of hy use especially WEST of the junct at approx YS404749. There are "brew" areas all along this track
- (3) Another well used track runs NE from the junct in (2) above to AP CU BI and then NORTH to approx YS433828. This along with the track in (2) above was the route mentioned by the PW when he was moved from the staging area to CAMMY.

21. Mission

W Coys mission was to RIF in AO MUSTANG.

22. Concept of Operations

The following restrictions were placed on the method of ops

- a. The FSPB base was to be within planning range of med arty and adjacent to an LZ
- b. Ptls were to be within range of 81mm mors.

Initial ops were to be conducted to locate the trade systems in the area. To do this two pls were to protect the FSPB by night while the other pl op independently for 3 days. Each day one of the pls, and sometimes a portion of the third, would patrol from the FSPB returning before last light. It was intended to search each GS from at least two different directions. Once the track systems were located the emphasis then changed to looking for camps. These were to be destroyed at a later date when the area appeared to be clear of VC.

23. Execution

See Annex A for Sequence of Events.

24. Results

a. Casualties

(1) Own	KIA	Nil
	WIA	Nil
(2) En	KIA	8(BC)
	WIA	5 (Blood Trails)
	PW	1

b. Wpns Captured

- 2 AK47
- 5 SKS Rifles
- 3 MI Carbines (One with metal work rusty)
- 2 Light Auto Wpns
- 1 Springfield Rifle
- 1 M79 (Without Butt)

c. Ammo Captured

- 6 M26 Gren
- 1 Homemade Grenade
- 100 rds mixed SA ammo
- 100 rds 7.62mm ammo
- 10 rds .300 ammo
- 115 rds for M1
- 54 rds for SKS
- 1 50 cal Ammo Box full of assorted SA ammo
- 2 M25 Incendiary (Document Destroyer)
- 1 Unidentified rocket/round
- 1 RPG 7 rocket (without initiating charge)
- 5 AK47 mags
- 8 MI mags
- 1 Thompson mag
- 3 Mags for H auto wpn

d. Other Items Captured

- 11 Packs with pers effects
- 1 Medical pack
- Tinned fish
- 75 lbs Rice (approx)
- 2 lbs sugar
- 1 Set US webbing c/w water bottles
- 1 Poncho
- 1 Crosscut saw
- 2 Shovels
- 1 Hoe
- 6 Jerrycans
- Tobacco
- Clothing
- Sandals

e. Documents

During the op approx four full sand bags of documents were captured. These included Commendation Certificates, ID Cards, photo albums, marked maps, note books and a vast qty of mail.

f. Camps Located

(1) Total	13
(2) Destroyed	4

25. Administrative Matters

- a. Supply. Due to the need to change the loc of the FSPB (RANGITOTO) no water was available in the area. This necessitated at least one resup each day. As a helicopter had to be tasked for water, fresh rat were brought most evenings. Mor ammo was delivered both internally and externally by Iroquois helicopters. No difficulties were experienced.
- b. Communications
 - (1) Some difficulty was experienced in maintaining comms with NUI DAT. However by changing from a 292 to a vertical or horizontal dipole this was overcome after only a short break
 - (2) Due to the large areas of bamboo comms of the coy were at times unworkable on the coy net. However contact could usually be estb through the arty or mor net when the coy net was bad. The reverse also applied
 - (3) Some of the difficulties were also brought about by a bad batch of batteries. Unfortunately the batch no was not recorded as the reason for the breakdown of the sets was not known until all the btys had been used.

26. Special Techniques

- a. The Tracker Team was called in shortly after the first contact when it was obvious that the VC had scattered
- b. Many times the dog was used to follow a trail and twice this resulted in further contacts. The other times the follow up had to be called off because of time restrictions on the team was outside mor range
- c. Although the tracker dog did point successfully on a no of occasions the two contacts while the dog was tracking do perhaps indicate that there is also a requirement for 'patrol dogs' in this theatre.

27. Lessons Learnt

- a. The slow but systematic search, grid square by grid square, by pls who are not carrying their hy eqpt will always gain the better results, especially if no time restrictions are placed on their activities
- b. Although it may be dangerous if contact with a large force is likely the best method of locating camps is to follow the well used tracks. On both occasions when the pls had a contact in a camp they were aware they were approaching a camp before they hit it because of smell, noise and signs of trees having been cut for ohp some distance from the camp
- c. The coy may have been lucky for they have taken a number of small occupied camps without cas. However it would appear the VC expect friendly forces to hold back and wait for arty sp before assaulting a camp. Therefore an immediate aslt usually will catch the VC off balance, especially if made on at least two fronts. The results of such action have been most rewarding.
- d. Having a tracker team avail immediately after a contact is of great value. There is perhaps a requirement for some 'patrol dogs' in this theatre
- e. Although the L5 105mm How is not being used at present it is thought some are still held in the theatre. Some thought should be given to perhaps using two on 'light scales' to support ops of this nature where normal 105mm is not avail.

28. Commander's Analysis

- a. A short but successful op which should be repeated again in order to destroy those camps not destroyed on this op

28. b. Ops of this type are relatively simple to mount and give the comd the greatest flexibility. There should be more of them! Where possible coys should return to areas they have already op in.

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(P.G.HOTOP)

Major
Officer Commanding
W Company



Annex A to W Coy
After Action Report W 16/68

SEQUENCE OF EVENTS
OPERATION SCEPTRE

<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Comment</u>
281300H	W Coy departed coy lines for AO MUSTANG mounted on 1 Tp A Sqn 3 Cav Regt plus 1 Sect from 3 Tp.	
281500H	The leading sect of 1 Tp became bogged in a swamp on the Western bank of the stream at YS450782. C/S 73 with two sects of APCs despatched to Northern end of AO using a route to the EAST OF NGAI GIAO	
281530H	C/S 71 left area of APCs on foot to secure LZ in area of YS435797 for fly in of stores and mors. Remainder of coy followed when bogged APC had been extracted. APCs returned to Route 2 to secure an LZ near the DUC THAN Post	APCs inserting C/S 73 had track trouble and did not reach their destination. No mines encountered
281845H	Fly in of stores completed and FSPB RANGITOTO estb at YS435797. c/s 73 estb ni ambush at YS448830. All APCs incl mor tracks returned to NUI DAT	
282105H	c/s 73 reported hearing people calling out from the rubber in vic of YS445835	LO at DUC THANH confirmed that there were NO friendly ptls in the area.
290745H	c/s 73 commenced patrol in GS4482, 4382 and 4381. c/s 72 commenced patrol in GS4379, 4479 and 4579.	
290945H	c/s 72 contacted 4 VC at YS445799. VC were approaching c/s 72 along a track from the SOUTH. Sentry on track opened fire but M60 jammed after 1 shot. VC fled SOUTH and EAST. Area engaged and then searched. 1 home made gren, 3 HO CHI MINH sandals and some clothing recovered. Tracks followed to SOUTH and EAST but were lost just short of NGAI GIAO.	M60 had been wrongly assembled. Dress of VC - dark clothing (See Annex B).
291022H	c/s 73 located 2 bunkers in good condition, but overgrown at YS442826.	Not destroyed.
291212H	c/s 73 located a well used track at YS440812. Track had been used by up to 30 pers in last 48 hrs. Ambush mounted on track.	
291800H	Ni locs - c/s 73 in ambush at YS440812. Remainder FSPB RANGITOTO.	
292130H	Mor primaries and SA fire reported from area of BINH BA Rubber Estate Outpost. Possible mor base plates engaged by arty.	
300750H	Elm of c/s 73 remained in ambush at YS440812. Remainder patrolled to check stream in GS 4481. c/s 71 departed to patrol in GS4480 and 4380.	
300850H	c/s 71 contacted 3 VC at YS440801. VC were dressed in black with blue hats. All had packs and one was carrying a bag. During sweep found one wounded VC and a marked map of NUI DAT 2 area. 1 AK47, a pack, webbing, grenades and 4 AK47 mags also found during sweep.	Area of contact very close to area of contact the previous day. This area could be a RV for VC to meet civs. PW extracted by chopper and Tracker Team inserted.

.../301036H

- 301036H Tracker Team reported following tracks for 3 VC. VC split 3 ways but dog continued to fol tracks to SE then NORTH, then NW then WEST.
- 301056H Tracker Team reported loan VC joined by a second. Tracks lead into a camp at YS444803. Camp consisted of 7 bunkers, 3 still under construction. There were sleeping spaces for 30 men, 1 cookhouse, 4 eating areas with tables and a water point. Camp had been vacated in the last 24 hrs. A projectile in a crusted container was also located. Camp was searched before continueing follow up. (See Annex D)
Camp still under constr. Not destroyed - bears further checking. Projectile 15" long x 1 1/2" diameter.
MARKINGS
D-ATK 44. Projectile destroyed as considered unsafe to carry.
- 301300H c/s 72 checked out NUI NHAN feature NTR. (See Annex E)
- 301515H Tracker Team and c/s 71 continueing follow up was fired on by one VC with an AK47 at YS431802. VC fired at the dog and cover man. Area swept but nothing could be found and tracks were lost. c/s 71 returned to RANGITOTO.
- 301635H Coy advised that an agent report indicated there were 100 VC (incl 4 women) dispersed in GS4281 and 4381 in small gps.
- 010800H c/s 73 commenced patrolling in GS4480. c/s 71 departed to patrol in GS4280 and 4281.
- 010930H c/s 73 located an old VC pack on a track at YS443805. In the same area they loc a letter box consisting of a tin hidden under logs. Box contained one letter which had been damaged by water. Pack had been there for 7 days, contained clothing, rice, sugar and a document.
- 011055H c/s 73A patrolling NORTH of the creek in GS4481 located the metal work only for 2 rifles and a clip of .30 ammo. (Probably M1 and SKS) And a M79. Items were rolled in plastic and sealed inside a "Spooky" flare then hidden in a log.
- 011121H c/s 73A located a camp at YS447812. Consisting of one bunker and one shelter. The camp had not been used for some time.
- 011145H c/s 73A located a further camp at YS445812 which had been destroyed by arty. One remaining bunker showed signs of recent use. A good EAST - WEST track also ran through the area.
- 011600H c/s 73 returned to RANGITOTO. c/s 71 mounted an ambush at YS430816.
- 011805H c/s 71 reported 1 single shot to the SE of their loc at approx 2000m.
- 012005H c/s 71 engaged lights with mors. A yellow light observed 400m to SW of their ni loc. Light extinguished when first bomb landed.
- 020745H c/s 71 commenced patrol in GS4281. c/s 72 moved to check GS4581.

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- 0215H At YS425817 c/s 71 located fresh tracks heading NE. Tracker Team commenced follow up. Tracks for 2 VC followed - 1 in bare feet one in sandals.
- 021025H Dog indicated twice, permission obtained for patrol to move outside AO at YS433829.
- 021103H c/s 71 contacted 4 VC at YS434831 who approached them on a track. Results 1 VC KIA. 1 AK47 and 1 Light Auto Wpn recovered. 2 blood trails followed - one very hy. One certificate of merit for CHAU DUC Coy recovered from body. (See Annex F)
- 021147H c/s 72 reported noises 30m to their front. They deployed and attacked a VC camp at YS448815. The Tracker Team checked 2 blood trails for 400m out of camp. One VC was met by another who applied a splint to leg or arm. Flesh found on track in area where treatment given. Camp contained only 3 bunkers and sleeping spaces for 10 - 12. RESULTS
6 VC KIA (BC) 2 VC WIA (Blood trail),
1 US M1 Carbine,
4 SKS rifles, 5 mags for M1, 115 M1 rds, 54 SKS rds, 3 Grens, 1 Mod pack, 6 packs, Rats, Meat, Tobacco, 1 bag docus, incl Photo. (See Annex G and H)
- 021435H c/s 73 fired on 3 VC at YS459794 who were walking away from the village. VC were dressed in green with wpns and packs. VC withdrew NORTH and WEST. c/s 73 followed tracks to the NORTH. (See Annex J)
- 021443H c/s 71 reported that they were following tracks of four VC who had met again on the track after the contact loc YS432838.
- 021448H At approx YS449818 c/s 72 located another small camp consisting of one bunker and one thatched shelter. VC being followed had passed through the area.
- 021730H c/s 73 ordered to cease follow up as they were outside mor and arty range. They returned to ambush the track at YS434834. c/s 72 and c/s 73 returned to RANGITOTO.
- 030724H c/s 73 departed to search CS4579 and 4478. At YS451796 they saw several people but they disappeared before they could get close enough to investigate. c/s 73 conducted a sweep of the area to the WEST of the village with a blocking force to the SOUTH. c/s 71 did a further check of the area of contact the previous day.
- 030905H Coy advised that POW stated there was a VC base camp at YS427784.
- 031100H c/s 73 loc a well used track leading in a NORTHERLY direction at YS460797. Cont to fol it.
- 031200H c/s 73 loc one hut, one bunker and resting place for 8-10 pers at YS457804. Bunker destroyed (See Annex K)
- 031301H c/s 73 loc a small camp at YS455808. Consisting of 3 well constructed bunkers which had been vacated in last 48 hrs. Bed spaces for 10 (Destroyed) (See Annex L)

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- 031430H While c/s 71 was preparing to evac their pl comd they clashed with c/s 73 who was returning to RANGITOTO. Only a few shots fired before it was realised what had happened. Lead scout fired at mov when he heard explosion of the smk gren. No cas.
- 031535H c/s 7 complete at RANGITOTO.
- 031700H c/s 72 departed to ambush track at YS421799,
- 040800H c/s 73 departed RANGITOTO to search GS4080 and 4180. Also was to destroy camps previously loc at YS420809.
- 041110H c/s 73 loc a well used track at YS415807 running SW to NE. There were HO CHI MINH sandal marks less than 4 hrs old leading SW. Tracker team commenced follow up.
- 041213H c/s 73 located a tunnel system in an old bombed out camp area at YS408803. Tunnel digging relatively new. Two entrances camouflaged. Only 15 ft of tunnel checked out. Tunnel not checked due to fol-up requirements and lack of torches (See Annex M)
- 041400H c/s 73 reported a track junct with a well used E - W track at YS403799. One set of footprints went WEST other went EAST. Many 'halt' areas obvious on side of all tracks in the gen area.
- 041400H c/s 73A completed blowing of camps. Patrolled NORTH along track which c/s 73 followed SW. Followed signs on track to AP CU BI then returned to RANGITOTO.
- 041535H c/s 73 reported they were still following tracks for 3 VC heading EAST. Tracks were lost when they reached YS419799. Pl then returned to RANGITOTO.
- 041600H All comms lost with c/s 72.
- 041730H c/s 72 re estb comms. Reported that they had located a well used E - W track. During a check of the track patrols heard voices and smelt cooking on either flank of pl and to the NORTH. They withdrew 200 yds to the SOUTH to reorg but still heard voices to their WEST. The pl then withdrew to EAST so that area could be engaged with mors and estb ni har at YS410792 Pl comd was instr not to adjust DFs, that a fire plan would be arranged for early morning, and another pl to block mov to NORTH would be despatched before first light.
- 041920H Coy advised that POW stated there was a VC base camp at YS395795.
- 050556H c/s 73 departed RANGITOTO to asst c/s 72 with search for VC camp.
- 050615H Fire plan commenced using 155 Bty and sect of mors Other suspect en camps engaged during fire plan.
- 050745H c/s 73 reported that his c/s was complete in four ambushes to the NORTH of c/s 72. c/s 72 commenced sweep to WEST.

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- 0210H c/s 73 reported he had loc a old camp 60m to his SOUTH at YS405799. The camp had been partially destroyed but 3 bunkers were still intact. One had been used the ni before.
- 051230H c/s 72 reached the stream and checked for the suspect base camp at YS395795. Could find nothing.
- 051300H c/s 72 instr to sweep NE on EASTERN side of stream while c/s 73 was to sweep SOUTH from his ambush posns.
- 051401H c/s 73 located tracks for 6-8 VC heading WEST at YS401796 Tracker team followed up.
- 051457H c/s 73 contacted and shot 1 VC on the edge of a camp at Results YS397794. They followed up and two VC fled EAST. There 1 KIA (BC) were signs of blood on two of the bunkers. The camp 1 WIA (Blood trail) had been occupied by about 20 VC earlier in the day. Recovered Camp consisted of 7 bunkers, 1 hut, 1 well and two 1 Springfield, 1 kitchen areas. The track to the food cache which was Russian Auto Wpn, empty apart from the rice cache was booby trapped with 1 M1 Carbine, 1 RPG a grenade. 7 rocket, 1 box ammo, 3 M1 mags, 1 AK47 mag, 1 Thompson mag, 3 mags for Auto wpn, 2 M25 Incend grens, 2 M26 gren, 60 lb rice, 3 packs, Docus, incl undelivered letters and mail, 6 Note Books, 1 Diary. (See Annex N and O).
- 051570H After search of camp c/s 73 followed tracks for 2 VC 800 yds due EAST then VC turned SOUTH. Follow up called off late afternoon as c/s 73 had 3 Malaria cases to evac.
- 051820H c/s 73 and 72 returned to RANGITOTO.
- 060830H c/s 71 and Combat Team departed RANGITOTO to blow camp at YS445807 and to secure a PZ at YS463804 for the pick up of a tk suspension unit.
- 061400H Suspension unit uplifted by Chinook.
- 061430H Fly out from LZ at YS463804 and RANGITOTO commenced.
- 061530H Fly out complete. Fire adjusted on RANGITOTO for HI msn at later date.
- 061540H W Coy complete at NUI DAT.

CONTACT AFTER ACTION REPORT

Part 1 (to be completed by Sect/Ptl/Comd)

1. Operation: SCEPTRE.
2. Report by: 30798 Lt JA DENNISTOUN-WOOD, RNZIR.
3. .2 Pl W Coy.
4. Strength of Sect/Ptl/Pl in contact (no of men). Twenty six.
5. Date of action: 29 Sep 68. Time: 0945 hrs. Duration: Thirty minutes.
6. Location: 445799.
7. Sect/Ptl/Pl Task: To search in Grid Square 4480, 4380.
8. Description of what happened in Sect/Ptl/Pl commanders own words.
(Include or attach diagrams)
 1. The pl was moving in an EAST to WEST direction when the lead elements came across a well used track running NORTH/SOUTH through an old Lime orchard.
 2. Lead section was deployed on track with M60 facing SOUTH and a sentry group facing NORTH.
 3. Pl Comd moved forward to examine track.
 4. While this was happening the M60 number saw movement and about 4 en on the track, moving towards him from the SOUTH.
 5. He opened fire, the weapon jamming after firing the first round. The en then turned and started running SOUTH, during which time a burst of auto fire was fired at the pl.
 6. The pl started an immediate sweep SOUTH and SOUTH EAST. Tracks for about six pers were seen breaking SOUTH and SE from the contact area. The sweep was halted on reaching the road at GR447797.
9. Description of terrain (to include range of visibility, etc)
Lime orchard with heavy growth. Visibility approx 80 metres.
10. Distance to enemy when first sighted: Thirty metres.
11. Which soldier first saw enemy? Pte JENNINGS.
12. What was soldier doing? M60 number on sentry.
13. What caused enemy to be first noticed? Movement.
14. Enemy strength and type: 6-10. Dress: Dark clothes. Probably local.
15. Who fired first? Pte JENNINGS. Range: 30 metres.
16. What section weapons were fired? M60, SLRs, M16.
17. What was the enemy's immediate reaction? To 'bug out' to the SOUTH and SE.
18. What was the sections immediate reaction? To follow up as part of a pl sweep.

19. Enemy casualties: Not known.
20. Caused by (weapon): N/A.
21. Friendly casualties: Nil.
22. Caused by: N/A.
23. Approximate ammunition expenditure: 100 7.62 ball, 120 5.56 ball, 300 7.62 mixed link.
24. Documents/weapons captured: Nil.
25. Lessons learnt: The M60 stopped firing because of incorrect assembling.
26. Other points: Nil.

Part 2. Platoon Commanders Comments

27. Related section reports: N/A.
28. Describe Pl actions: As above.
29. Estimate of all ammunition fired during contact (incl Arty, Mor and Air): As above.

Part 3. Company Commanders Comments:

30. Comments: M60 had been assembled incorrectly.

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CONTACT AFTER ACTION REPORT

Part 1 (to be completed by Sect/Ptl Comd)

1. Operation: SOEPTRE.
2. Report by: 923219 Sgt AJO HEWLETT.
3. 1 Pl W Coy.
4. Strength of Sect/Ptl/Pl in contact (no of men): 30.
5. Date of action: 30 Sep 68. Time: 0850 hrs. Duration: Approx 5 mins.
6. Location: YS444801.
7. Sect/Ptl/Pl Task: Recce in Force.
8. Description of what happened in Sect/Ptl/Pl commanders own words.
(Include or attach diagram):

Whilst moving into all round defence prior to taking a halt, Pte CHESTER saw a lone VC on a track to our SOUTH. The sighting was simultaneous and the enemy first reaction was to run whereupon Pte CHESTER engaged the enemy with his M60. Elements of his section also fired at about this time. The platoon was shaken out into assault formation and swept through the general area, and in so doing revealed 1 VC wounded in some lalling. Further detailed search brought to light 1 AK47, 1 Map, Web gear and mags with ammo, plus his pack. There was more than 1 VC in the group as tracks led to the SOUTH and NE. I would estimate about four.
9. Description of terrain (to include range of visibility, etc):

Dirty rubber, visibility 200yds, thick undergrowth.
10. Distance to enemy when first sighted: 120 yds approx.
11. Which soldier first saw enemy? Lead section gunner, Pte CHESTER.
12. What was soldier doing? Moving to all round defence prior to halt.
13. What caused enemy to be first noticed? Movement and colour of dress.
14. Enemy strength and type: Dress: Black and Green. Hat. Approx 4. Guerrilla.
15. Who fired first? Gunner (Pte CHESTER). Range: 120-130 yds.
16. What section weapons were fired? M60, M16, SLRs.
17. What was the enemy's immediate reaction? Long fast steps away.
18. What was the sections immediate reaction? Brass the area. Get into assault formation.
19. Enemy casualties: 1 WIA.
20. Caused by (weapon): M60.
21. Friendly casualties: Nil.
22. Caused by (weapon): N/A.

- 23. Approximate ammunition expenditure: 400 7.62 link, 150 5. 100 7.62.
- 24. Documents/weapons captured: Map, AK47 and 4 mags, qty amm., 26 gren.
- 25. Lessons learnt: Nil.
- 26. Other points: Nil.

Part 2. Platoon Commanders Comments

- 27. Related section reports: N/A.
- 28. Describe Pl actions: N/A.
- 29. Estimate of all ammunition fired during contact (incl Arty, Mor, and Air): As above.

Part 3. Company Commanders Comments

- 30. Comments: Tracker Team called in for follow up which resulted in a further contact.

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INSTALLATION REPORT

Report By: 923219 Sgt AJO HEWLETT.
Type: Bunker complex.
Location: YS444603.
Time: 301200 hrs.
Area Covered: 300 x 50 yds approx.
No of bunkers: Seven. Four completed, three under construction.
Tunnel/Wpns Pits: Nil.
Depth underground: 6-8 ft.
Type of construction: Native timber used in all completed bunkers.
Size of occ force: Thirty sleeping places.
Size of Bunkers: Three to four men.
Age: New/under construction.
Area: Generally bamboo with odd small stream, Dalling to EAST.
Warning Posts: Small satellite camps to the NORTH two each, 50-75 yds away.
Destructive Action taken: Nil.

Notes:

1. GR given in this report is approximate. The best way to find this installation would be to travel NORTH along the track from GR443801 for 100 yds and then navigate due EAST for 75 to 100 yds. No tracks are visible leaving the main track.

CONTACT AFTER ACTION REPORT

Part 1 (to be completed by Sect/Ptl Comd)

1. Operation: SCHEPPE.
2. Report by: 923219 Sgt AJO HEWLETT.
3. 1 Pl W Coy.
4. Strength of Sect/Ptl/Pl in contact (no of men): 30.
5. Date of action: 30 Sep 68. Time: 1600 hrs. Duration: Approx 5 mins.
6. Location: YS427803.
7. Sect/Ptl/Pl Task: Follow up after contact lone VC trail.
8. Description of what happened in Sect/Ptl/Pl commanders own words.
Include or attach diagrams:

During a follow up after contact of a lone VC the lead elements of the platoon (Dog handler c/s 63) were fired at from a very close range by the en we were following. The en soldier fired two bursts from an automatic weapon (pos AK47) at the dog and handler. The en soldier it would appear had a stoppage on his weapon and this could possibly be why the platoon suffered no cas. Subsequent sweep thru the general area revealed nothing. The platoon had been following the track most of the day and in my opinion the dog had been on the track too long and was very tired.
9. Description of terrain (to include range of visibility, etc):
Very thick bamboo, ground sloping into small stream.
10. Distance to enemy when first sighted: 20 yds.
11. Which soldier first saw enemy? Dog handler c/s 63.
12. What was soldier doing? Following up en track with dog.
13. What caused enemy to be first noticed? Firing of his weapon.
14. Enemy strength and type: One Guerilla? Dress: Unknown, wearing sandals.
15. Who fired first? VC. Range: 20 yds.
16. What section weapons were fired? M60, M16, SLR.
17. What was the enemy's immediate reaction? After firing to withdraw.
18. What was the sections immediate reaction? Fan out and sweep general area.
19. Enemy casualties: Nil.
20. Caused by (weapon): Nil.
21. Friendly casualties: Nil.
22. Caused by (weapon): Nil.
23. Approximate ammunition expenditure: 300 7.62 mixed link, 50 5.56, 50 SLR.

24. Documents/weapons captured: Nil.

25. Lessons learnt: More care should be taken during follow up of this kind. Dog was tired and did not spot on in ambush.

26. Other points: Nil.

Part 2. Platoon Commanders Comments

27. Related section reports: N/A.

28. Describe Pl actions: N/A.

29. Estimate of all ammunition fired during contact (incl Arty, Mor and Air): As above.

Part 3. Company Commanders Comments

30. Comments: Nil.

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CONTACT AFTER ACTION REPORT

Part 1 (to be completed by Sect/Ptl Comd)

1. Operation: SCEPTRE.
2. Report by: 923219 Sgt AJO HEWLETT.
3. 1 Pl W Coy.
4. Strength of Sect/Ptl/Pl in contact (no of men): 39.
5. Date of action: 2 Oct 68. Time: 1103 hrs. Duration: 5-10 mins.
6. Location: YS434831.
7. Sect/Ptl/Pl Task: Recce in Force/Follow up.
8. Description of what happened in Sect/Ptl/Pl commanders own words.
(Include or attach diagrams):

While following two sets of fresh prints at the above GR, the platoon had head-on contact with 4 to 6 VC coming along the same track. The lead section fanned out very smartly and swept the immediate area firing M79 straight down the track. In the early stages 1 VC ran from the Lallang and two members of this section fired at him. Both these members seem to think they hit him but subsequent search found nothing. Another was seen to be withdrawing down the track and he was engaged with M79 and M60. The search afterwards disclosed heavy blood trails. Initially the platoon only swept about 70 yds of Lallang before reorg and the follow up later proced that the wounded VC had lain in ambush about 150 yds from the contact area whilst he and a comrade stopped the blood. Though the initial reaction was satisfactory, if it was faster more success could be expected.
9. Description of terrain (to include range of visibility, etc):

Heavy Lallang - ground sloping down to stream. Visibility 20 yds.
10. Distance to enemy when first sighted: 15 yds.
11. Which soldier first saw enemy? Dog handler c/s 63.
12. What was soldier doing? Following up en track.
13. What caused enemy to be first noticed? Movement to front.
14. Enemy strength and type: Between four and six. Dress: Dark green shirt and pants not mil. Ho Chi Minh sandals.
15. Who fired first? Dog handler c/s 63. Range: 15 yds.
16. What section weapons were fired? M60, M16, SLRs, M79.
17. What was the enemy's immediate reaction? Break contact Split and run.
18. What was the sections immediate reaction? Exploit for about 50 yds in assault formation. Firing above weapons.
19. Enemy casualties: 1 VC KIA, 2 WIA, blood trails.
20. Caused by (weapon): Unknown. Pos M16. Wounded pos by M79.

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- 21. Friendly casualties: Nil.
- 22. Caused by (weapon): N/A.
- 23. Approximate ammunition expenditure: 800 7.62 mixed link, 300 5.56, 36 M79, 200 7.62.
- 24. Documents/weapons captured: Cert of Merit, letters, 1 AK47 plus mags and web, 1 SKS.
- 25. Lessons learnt: Soldiers initial reaction to contact against this type of en must be very quick to catch en whilst he is trying to break contact.
- 26. Other points: Nil.

Part 2. Platoon Commanders Comments

- 27. Related section reports: N/A.
- 28. Describe Pl actions: N/A.
- 29. Estimate of all ammunition fired during contact (incl Arty, Mor and Air): As above.

Part 3. Company Commanders Comments

- 30. Comments: Nil.

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..... Coy Comd

CONTACT AFTER ACTION REPORT

Part 1 (to be completed by Sect/Ptl/Comd)

1. Operation: SCEPTRE.
2. Report by: 30798 Lt JA DENNISTOUN-WOOD, RNZIR.
3. 2 Pl W Coy.
4. Strength of Sect/Ptl/Pl in contact (no of men): Twenty five.
5. Date of action: 2 Oct 68. Time: 1155 hrs. Duration: One and a half hours.
6. Location: GR 447816.
7. Sect/Ptl/Pl Task: To search grid squares 4481, 4581 and 4580.
8. Description of what happened in Sect/Ptl/Pl commanders own words. Include or attach diagrams.
 - a. Pl was moving from SW to NW onto the knoll at GR 447816.
 - b. As the pl approached the knoll, talking and chopping was heard. A short recce was carried out.
 - c. 2 x M60s were moved to the head of the pl and the pl moved in until about 15 m from the perimeter of the en camp, when fire was opened by the pl, the burst lasting for about 30 seconds. The pl then moved into the camp spreading out and swept through clearing with fire and movement as it went. For details of the camp, see installation report.
9. Description of terrain (to include range of visibility, etc):
Thick secondary growth, with no tracks on SOUTHERN approach.
10. Distance to enemy when first sighted: 15-20 metres.
11. Which soldier first saw enemy? M60 gunner at the head of the pl.
12. What was soldier doing? Creeping up to the perimeter.
13. What caused enemy to be first noticed? Loud talking and chopping.
14. Enemy strength and type: 9-10 local. Dress: Assorted civilian type dress.
15. Who fired first? Pl. Range: 15-20 metres.
16. What section weapons were fired? All.
17. What was the enemy's immediate reaction? Those still alive bugged out to the NORTH.
18. What was the sections immediate reaction? Together with the remainder of the pl, to move through the camp using fire and movement.
19. Enemy casualties: 6 KIA (BC), 1 WIA (heavy blood trail was followed for about 700 m NW)
20. Caused by (weapon): All wpns.

- 21. Friendly casualties: Nil.
- 22. Caused by (weapon): N/A.
- 23. Approximate ammunition expenditure: 2100 7.62 mixed link, 30 7.62 ball, 540 5.56 ball, qty smoke grenades.
- 24. Documents/weapons captured: 1 x M1 carbine, 4 x SKS rifle, a pack documents.
- 25. Lessons learnt: Complete surprise was achieved in this instance by the silence of the patrol and the fact that it approached the camp through thick scrub which it would seem the enemy thought not possible.
- 26. Other points: Nil.

Part 2. Platoon Commanders Comments

- 27. Related section reports: Nil.
- 28. Describe pl actions: As above.
- 29. Estimate of all ammunition fired during contact (incl Arty, Mor and Air): As above.

Part 3. Company Commanders Comments

- 30. Comments: This pl moves very quietly as shown by this successful action.

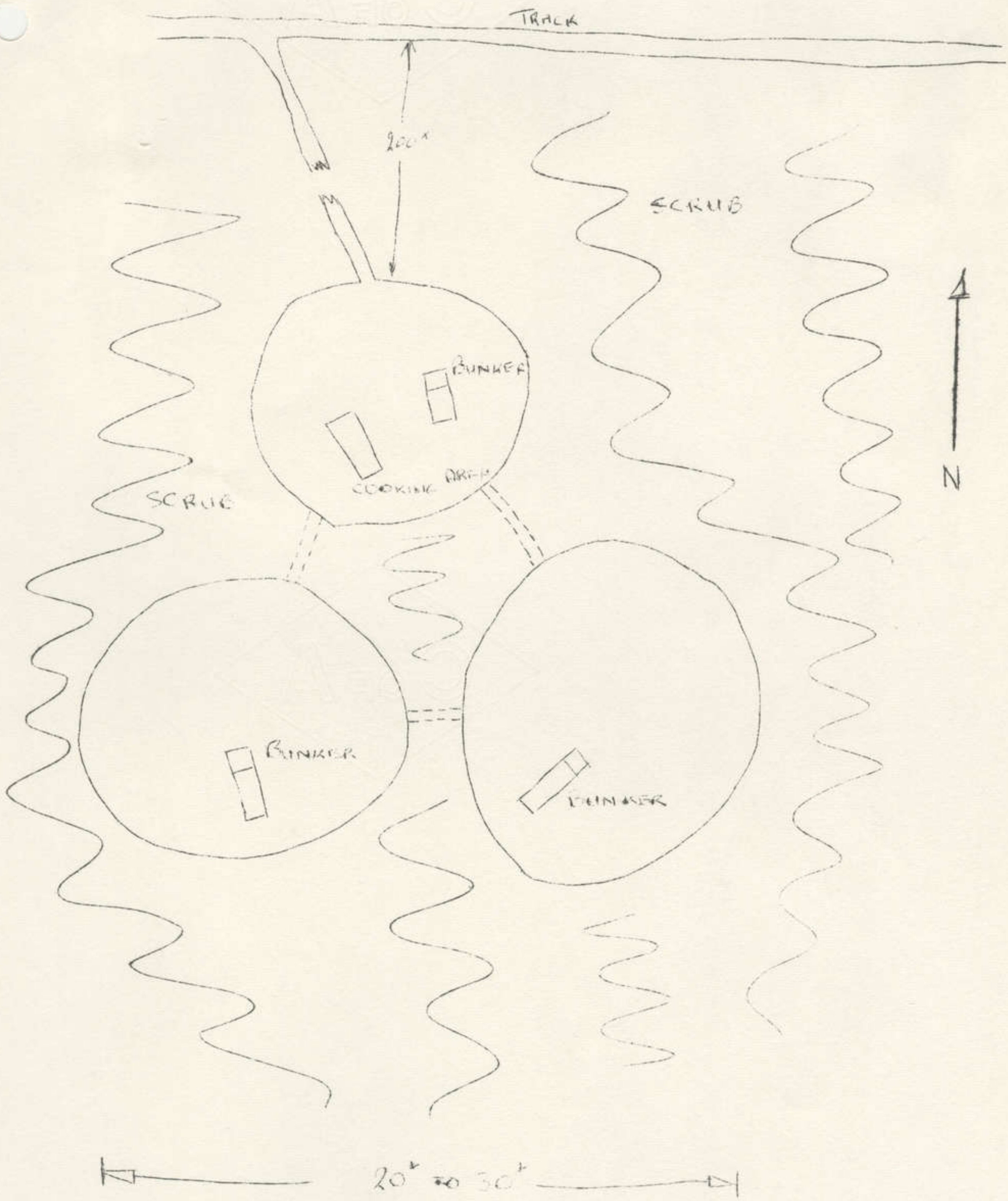
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VC INSTALLATION REPORT

1. Report by: 30798 Lt JA DENNISTOUN- WOOD, RWZIR.
2. Report on installation (type): Camp. At GR 447816.
3. Area covered by installation (Square yards): 900.
4. Defensive layout (answer following questions and any more detail that can be given).
 - a. Were there any weapon pits and tunnels?
 - (1) Weapon pits only: 3 x bunkers only.
 - (2) Tunnels and weapon pits: No.
 - (3) Tunnels only: No.
 - b. Depth underground of tunnels: N/A.
 - c. Were the tunnels and weapon pits interconnecting? If so, to what extent? No.
 - d. Type of construction used:
 - (1) Tunnels: N/A.
 - (2) Weapon pits: Overhead cover about 18" thick, supported by logs with firing bay at one end.
 - e. Number of weapon pits: Three.
 - f. Estimated unit or sub unit required to occupy them. Squad.
 - g. Direction weapon pits were facing: NORTH.
 - h. Were the pits:
 - (1) Individual: No.
 - (2) Two man: Yes.
 - (3) Three man: No.
 - (4) Crew served weapon, if so what type of weapon do you estimate and what direction was it facing: N/A.
 - i. How old were:
 - (1) Weapon pits: 6 months.
 - (2) Tunnels: N/A.
 - (3) Any other installation. Cooking area - 6 months.
 - j. Was the defensive layout near a river, track, road, ford or town? E/W track approx 200m NORTH of the camp. Stream approx 200m WEST of camp.
 - k. Were there any early warning posts or devices? No.
 - l. Extent and type of booby traps if any: No.
 - m. Destruction action taken: (If any). Nil.

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CONTACT AFTER ACTION REPORT

Part 1 (to be completed by Sect/Ptl Comd)

1. Operation: SCORPION.
2. Report by: 30759 Lt BC BARLEY.
3. 3 Pl W Coy.
4. Strength of Sect/Ptl/Pl in contact (no of men): 10
5. Date of action: 2 Oct. Time: 1435 hrs. Duration: 3-5 minutes.
6. Location: 459794.
7. Sect/Ptl/Pl Task: To stop enemy wounded from returning to village for help.
8. Description of what happened in Sect/Ptl/Pl commanders own words.
(Include or attach diagrams):

After having placed stop groups at the WESTERN end of the village I was checking out a house which was two storeyed. I observed 3 VC with wpns and packs at about 200-250 m. They were just starting to move off to the WEST.

Whilst regrouping the o/s visual contact was lost with the VC and as a result 2 areas were generally engaged. Negative results.
9. Description of terrain (to include range of visibility, etc):
Village and paddy - 300-400 metres.
10. Distance to enemy when first sighted: 200-250 m.
11. Which soldier first saw enemy? Pl Comd.
12. What was soldier doing? Checking out a house with tunnels.
13. What caused enemy to be first noticed? Movement.
14. Enemy strength and type: 3 possibly regular force. Dress: Greens, packs, wpns.
15. Who fired first? M60, M79, mortars.
16. What section weapons fired? M60, M79.
17. What was the enemy's immediate reaction? Not known.
18. What was the sections immediate reaction? N/A.
19. Enemy casualties: Not known.
20. Caused by (weapon): Not known.
21. Friendly casualties: Nil.
22. Caused by (weapon): N/A.
23. Approximate ammunition expenditure: 400 rds 7.62 link, 24 M79, 20 rds 82mm Mor.

VC INSTALLATION REPORT

1. Report by: 30759 Lt BC BARLEY.
2. Report on installation (type): Bunker and house at GR 457804.
3. Area covered by installation (square yards): 400.
4. Defensive layout (answer following questions and any more detail that can be given).
 - a. Were there any weapon pits and tunnels?
 - (1) Weapon pits only: 1 bunker.
 - (2) Tunnels and weapon pits: N/A.
 - (3) Tunnels only: N/A.
 - b. Depth underground: N/A.
 - c. Were the tunnels and weapon pits interconnecting? If so, to what extent? N/A.
 - d. Type of construction used:
 - (1) Tunnels: N/A.
 - (2) Weapon pits: OHP and thatched roof.
 - e. Number of weapon pits and tunnels: One.
 - f. Estimated unit or sub unit required to occupy them: Sect.
 - g. Direction weapon pits were facing: N/A.
 - h. Were the pits:
 - (1) Individual:
 - (2) Two man: Yes.
 - (3) Three man:
 - (4) Crew served weapon, if so what type of weapon do you estimate and what direction was it facing: N/A.
 - i. How old were:
 - (1) Weapon pits: 6 months.
 - (2) Tunnels:
 - (3) Any other installation: Hammock spaces for 8-10.
 - j. Was the defensive layout near a river, track, road, ford or town? Flanked by a stream, on a track.
 - k. Were there any early warning posts or devices? No.
 - l. Extent and type of booby traps if any: Nil.
 - m. Destruction action taken (if any): Blown and burned.

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- 24. Documents/weapons captured: Nil.
- 25. Lessons learnt: Nil.
- 26. Other points: Nil.

Part 2. Platoon Commanders Comments

- 27. Related section reports: N/A.
- 28. Describe Pl actions: N/A.
- 29. Estimate of all ammunition fired during contact (incl Arty, Mor and Air): As above.

Part 3. Company Commanders Comments

- 30. Comments: Nil.

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VC INSTALLATION REPORT

1. Report by 30759 Lt BC BARLEY.
2. Report on installation (type): Bunkered camp at GR 455808.
3. Area covered by installation (square yards): 1000.
4. Defensive layout (answer following questions and any more detail that can be given).
 - a. Were there any weapon pits and tunnels?
 - (1) Weapon pits only: Bunkers only.
 - (2) Tunnels and weapon pits: N/A.
 - (3) Tunnels only: N/A.
 - b. Depth underground of tunnels: N/A.
 - c. Were the tunnels and weapon pits interconnecting? If so, to what extent? N/A.
 - d. Type of construction used:
 - (1) Tunnels: N/A.
 - (2) Weapon pits: OHP about 3' 6" deep - Two exits in each.
 - e. Number of weapon pits and tunnels: 3 bunkers.
 - f. Estimated unit or sub unit required to occupy them: 10-15.
 - g. Direction weapon pits were facing: North South.
 - h. Were the pits:
 - (1) Individual.
 - (2) Two man:
 - (3) Three man: Possibly 4 men to each.
 - (4) Crew served weapon, if so what type of weapon do you estimate and what direction was it facing: N/A.
 - i. How old were:
 - (1) Weapon pits: 1 about one month, 1 about 2 months, 1 about 9 months.
 - (2) Tunnels:
 - (3) Any other installation: Hammock spaces, kitchen.
 - j. Was the defensive layout near a river, track, road, ford or town?
On a track.
 - k. Were there any early warning posts or devices? No.
 - l. Extent and type of booby traps or devices? No
 - m. Destruction action taken (if any): Blown.

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VC INSTALLATION REPORT

1. Report by 30759 Lt BC BARLEY.
2. Report on installation (type): Tunnel at GR 407805, at 1200 hrs on 4 Oct.
3. Area covered by installation (square yards): Extent unknown.
4. Defensive layout (answer following questions and any more detail that can be given)
 - a. Were there any weapon pits and tunnels?
 - (1) Weapon pits only:
 - (2) Tunnels and weapon pits: Yes.
 - (3) Tunnels only: Yes.
 - b. Depth underground of tunnels: 6-8 feet.
 - c. Were the tunnels and weapon pits interconnecting? If so, to what extent? Apparently.
 - d. Type of construction used:
 - (1) Tunnels: Partially revetted.
 - (2) Weapon pits: Old and damaged.
 - e. Number of weapon pits and tunnels: 2 wpn pits - 1 tunnel - 1 well.
 - f. Estimate unit or sub unit required to occupy them: Not known.
 - g. Direction weapon pits were facing: South.
 - h. Were the pits:
 - (1) Individual:
 - (2) Two man: Yes.
 - (3) Three man:
 - (4) Crew served weapon, if so what type of weapon do you estimate and what direction was it facing:
 - i. How old were:
 - (1) Weapon pits: 2 to 3 years.
 - (2) Tunnels: 1 to 2 months.
 - (3) Any other installation: Old well.
 - j. Was the defensive layout near a river, track, road, ford or town? On a track.
 - k. Were there any early warning posts or devices? Not known.
 - l. Extent and type of booby traps if any:
 - n. Destruction action taken (if any): None.

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CONTACT AFTER ACTION REPORT

Part 1 (to be completed by Sect/Ptl Comd)

1. Operation: SCEPTRE.
2. Report by 30759 Lt BC BARLEY.
3. 3 Pl W Coy.
4. Strength of Sect/Ptl/Pl in contact (no of men): 30.
5. Date of action: 5 Oct. Time: 1459 hrs. Duration: 5 minutes.
6. Location: 397794.
7. Sect/Ptl/Pl Task: Recce in force.
8. Description of what happened in Sect/Ptl/Pl commanders own words.
(Include or attach diagrams).

Forward scout observed movement, and heard two VC talking. 1 VC came down the track to relieve himself. He was engaged by the scout as was the second one. Pl then swept through and secured the camp. (See diagram on installation report).

The platoon later followed up 2 VC using the dog MILO. 1 VC was wearing sandals, 1 VC was wearing Aust pattern boots (suspected to be European). Follow up was stopped because of need to dustoff 3 personnel with Malaria.
9. Description of terrain (to include range of visibility, etc):
Thick secondary and bamboo.
10. Distance to enemy when first sighted: 10 metres.
11. Which soldier first saw enemy? Fwd scout.
12. What was soldier doing? Scouting.
13. What caused enemy to be first noticed? Movement and voices.
14. Enemy strength and type: 3-5. Dress: Black and green. Regular force.
15. Who fired first? McFADDEN. Range: 10 m.
16. What section weapons were fired? M60, SLR, M16.
17. What was the enemy's immediate reaction? Withdrew.
18. What was the sections immediate reaction? Engaged enemy and swept forward.
19. Enemy casualties: 1 KIA.
20. Caused by (weapon): SLR.
21. Friendly casualties: Nil.
22. Caused by (weapon): N/A.
23. Approximate ammunition expenditure:

24. 1 Russian sub machine gun, 1 Russian sub machine gun, 1 Springfield rifle, 1 M1 carbine, 1 RPG 7 rocket, Copious documents.

25. Lessons learnt:

26. Other points:

Part 2. Platoon Commander's Comments

27. Related section reports:

28. Describe Pl actions:

29. Estimate of all ammunition fired during contact (incl Arty, Mor and Air).

Part 3. Company Commander's Comments

30. Comments:

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P.G. HOTOP Coy Comd

1. Report by: 30759 Lt BC BARLEY.
2. Report on installation (type): Camp at GR 397788 at 1500 hrs on 6 Oct.
3. Area covered by installation (square yards): 2400.
4. Defensive layout (answer following questions and any more detail that can be given).
 - a. Were there any weapon pits and tunnels?
 - (1) Weapon pits only: Yes.
 - (2) Tunnels and weapon pits:
 - (3) Tunnels only:
 - b. Depth underground of tunnels:
 - c. Were the tunnels and weapon pits interconnecting? If so, to what extent?
 - d. Type of construction used:
 - (1) Tunnels:
 - (2) Weapon pits: OHP and thatched roof.
 - e. Number of weapon pits and tunnels: 7 bunkers.
 - f. Estimated unit or sub unit required to occupy them: Pl.
 - g. Direction weapon pits were facing. Each group covered track in. See diagram.
 - h. Were the pits:
 - (1) Individual:
 - (2) Two men:
 - (3) Three men: Yes.
 - (4) Crew served weapon, if so what type of weapon do you estimate and what direction was it facing:
 - i. How old were:
 - (1) Weapon pits: 6 months.
 - (2) Tunnels:
 - (3) Any other installation: Well and food cache.
 - j. Was the defensive layout near a river, track, road, ford or town? On a major track system.
 - k. Were there any early warning posts or devices? Not known.
 - l. Extent and type of booby traps if any: 1 trip wire to M26 grenade.
 - m. Destruction action taken (if any): Nil.

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W Coy
4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn
5 Nov 68

4RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn (12)
1 RNZIR
Liaj P.G. Helop RNZIR (4)

ANNEX M End 5

COMBAT OPERATIONS AFTER ACTION REPORT W 17/68
OPERATION CAPITAL (PHASE I) 13 - 30 Oct 68

References: A. 1 ATF SOP
B. Confirmatory notes to verbal orders dated 12 Oct 68.

Name and Type of Operation

1. Operation CAPITAL. A reconnaissance in force.

Dates of Operation

2. From 13 Oct 68 to 30 Oct 68.

Location

3. AO DOWNER centre of mass YS 540 840

Control Headquarters

4. Bn HQ 4 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn.

Task Organisation

5.

a. Under comd from 130700H	One Combat Engr Team
b. Under comd for mov from 130700H	104 Bty Recce Party
c. Under comd for FSPB def	104 Bty
d. Placed under comd during op	One tracker team
	An additional Combat Engr Team

Supporting Forces

Artillery

6. Initially close DFs for FSPB FLINDERS were adjusted using 161 Bty from FSPB BASS and a sect of 4 RAR Mors from FSPB TRENTHAM (Bn HQ at YS 505 866).

7. Arty was only used once by W Coy during a contact. Guns and Mors fired into the area of YS 5188 when a heli pilot sighted 3 VC SW of FSPB FLINDERS. Two VC parties in the area had just clashed but one shot was fired at the heli. When the area was searched the shooting of both mors and arty was found to be very accurate. One blood trail was found in the area engaged by arty.

8. Both arty and mors were used for the registration of DFs for all ni ambushes.

Helicopters

9. CH47. These helicopters were used daily for the resup of all arty ammo and were also used for the extraction of W Coy from FSPB FLINDERS. Except for the flyout, they were generally controlled by 104 Bty and no difficulties were experienced.

10. Iriquois. Used extensively for maindems, casevacs and initial insertion of the coy. The cooperation of the pilots was very good except for one instance when a helicopter that was overflying the area was asked if he could pick up a medivac from an LZ where two helicopters had landed earlier. The pilot was told not to go into the LZ if he was not happy, as it was known to be tight with a straight vertical lift out. Although he complained he did go in, but refused to take any notice

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of the marshaller and nearly landed on a hidden stump. In the end he only hovered and the patient had to be lifted into the aircraft.

11. H13. The DS Possum was normally positioned at the FSPB when not in use. It was used extensively for VRs, liaison and medivacs.

Engineers

12. The Combat Engr Team assisted in base defence and two engrs travelled with every patrol that left the FSPB.

13. A second Combat Team was called in to assist in the destruction of camp complexes found by 3 Pl W Coy during the op. Due to the op concluding on 30 Oct this task was not completed.

Intelligence

14. People sniffer, VR and radio intercept info indicated that there were still groups of en in the AO. These were thought to be elms of 274 Regt, or Rear Services elms.

15. Major contacts were not anticipated but aggressive action by stay behind parties was expected.

16. No contacts were made by W Coy but a large complex of camps (now believed to be the home of 3 Bn 274 Regt) was located in GS 5389, 5489 and 5488.

17. Details of tracks located and map corrections have already been submitted on a marked map.

Mission

18. W Coys mission was to estb and protect FSPB FLINDERS in the vic of YS 5289. RIF ops were also to be conducted within the FSPB AO.

Concept of Operation

19. The op was conducted in two phases:

a. Phase I

Fly into an LZ secured by B Coy 3 RAR in the vic of proposed FSPB.

b. Phase II

Estb and protect FSPB FLINDERS. By night two pls were always to be retained in the FSPB but two pls normally patrolled by day, one of them usually remaining out for 3 days.

Execution

20. See Annex A for Sequence of Events.

Results

21. Casualties

- a. Own - Nil
- b. En KIA - 1 (Body in grave 24 hrs old)
- WIA - One (possible) Blood Trail.

22. Equipment Captured

One VC pack (See Annex A for contents).
One 81mm Mor Bomb.

23. Samps Located

- a. YS 494866 - 60 old trenches. No ohc.
- b. YS 535881 - Old camp destroyed by bombing.
- c. YS 517884 - One bunker under constr.

/d.

- d. YS 538891 - 12 bunkers (Some bunkers destroyed by Engrs).
- e. YS 541889 - 60+ bunkers plus 2 CPs and 600 metres of trenches (destroyed by engr).
- f. From YS ~~535891~~ to YS 543899 -- A total of 12 plt sized camps astride a well worn track system (Two only of these camps destroyed by engr).
- g. YS 455896 - 8 bunkers (destroyed by engr). Note with CP under one.
- h. YS 543894 - 5 bunkers, 2 houses, with Cp under one house (Not destroyed)

Administrative Matters

24. No problems were experienced.

25. The Comodity Code for maindems worked well however it is recommended that all items are grouped so that the first letter of the code indicates to which group the item belongs. This simplifies decoding and makes easier to notice a mistake and easier to estimate approx weight of the maindem for planning purposes.

Lessons Learnt

26. To follow a well used track is the quickest way to locate camps.

27. It is worthwhile bringing in the tracker teams and dog even the day following a contact now that the rainy season is over.

28. More use should be made of tracker dogs after the en have dispersed from a contact, or even when fresh tracks are first located.

Commanders Analysis

29. Although the coy had no contacts their presence in the area obviously kept the en on the mov.

30. The pinpointing, and eventual destruction of the bn sized complex of camps will force that bn to move and dig again.

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Maj
OC
W Coy

SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Comments</u>
130745H	First lift departed KANGAROO PAD for FSPB FLINDERS (YS523894).	LS secured by B Coy 3 RAR
130835H	Fly in of W Coy, 104 Bty recce party and Bn Tac HQ complete.	Recce of FSPB commenced.
131330H	FSPB FLINDERS in action. Flyin of 104Bty completed.	B Coy 3 RAR departed for their AO EAST of FSPB.
131730H	C/s 2 3 RAR contacted 6VC 1500 metres EAST of FSPB.	
141010H	C/s 73 departed on a patrol round FSPB at Approx 500m to check for tracks and signs of en mov. Engr offr also travelled with the patrol to check for possible water points. Development of FSPB continued.	A well worn track running E - W loc 700m SOUTH of FSPB. No suitable water points located. Arty Survey Team who also travelled with the patrol were unable to complete their survey due to thick undergrowth outside the base area.
150830H	C/s 71 departed to patrol in GS 5289 and 5288. E-W track in GS 5288 showed signs of use by a small party moving EAST approx 48 hrs earlier. Development of FSPB continued.	
160800H	C/s 72 departed FSPB to ptl along SUOI LE (centre of area YS 512878). Development of FSPB continued.	NTR c/s 72 returned to FSPB at 1620 hrs.
170745H	C/s 73 departed FSPB to patrol in GS 4986 and 4987. Returned to FSPB at 1625 hrs.	C/s 73 loc approx 60 old trenches at YS 494866. No ohc.
180810H	C/s 71 departed to RIF in the rubber to WEST of FSPB centre of mass YS 513892. Returned to FSPB at 1600 hrs.	NTR.
190750H	C/s 72 and 73 departed FSPB to search for possible VC HQ at YS 530880. At YS 520880 located a well worn track running to the NE Track followed to Eastern edge of W Coy AO. After clearance granted to move outside of AO c/s 72 ambushed the track and checked it for a further 800m EAST to YS 537891. C/s 73 moved south to check area of possible VC HQ.	VC radio transmission intercepted from this loc.
191150H	C/s 72 patrolled SW along stream in GS 5388 C/s 73 located a well used track at YS 533881. In the same area located an old VC camp which had been destroyed by bombing. The track was followed to the SOUTH but could not be followed further as it ran outside the area cleared to W Coy. C/s 73 continued patrolling in GS 5287 but found no sign of any VC mov. Patrols returned to FSPB at 1615 hrs.	Track ran SW to YS 530880 then in a Southerly dir to approx YS 526869
200755H	C/s 71 departed to conduct further search of the area of the suspect VC HQ at YS 530880.	NTR.
201830H	Orders received for redeployment to a new area.	
210800H	C/s 72 departed to check for signs of VC mov in GS 5289. Returned to base at 1210 hrs.	Plans to move to new area cancelled W Coy to remain in FSPB FLINDERS. Task - to check for VC move on tracks.

- 220925H C/s 73 departed on three day patrol in area bounded by Eastings 50 to 53, Northings 90 to 93. YS 520921 night har estb. At YS 522909 there were tracks for 4 to 6 VC moving East early in the morning or the night before
- 230800H C/s 72 uplifted by helicopter for FSPB WILTON YS 544767. Conducted a RIF with APCs along the old Route 327 as far as the Song RAI at YS 592768. Destroyed a 'Flying Fox' over the river. Pl returned to FSPB FLINDERS by heli at 1700 hrs. C/s 73A remained at their ni loc while the remainder of c/s 73 patrolled to the WEST and North. Flying Fox thought to have been left in the area by friendly forces, but was being used by VC to cross the river.
- 231000H At YS 513923 c/s 73 located an old ox cart track running EAST to WEST. A foot track ran down the centre but the track had been cleared for the full width at times varying from 3 to 14 days. Branches cut. were lying on the track. Track was uneked out to the WEST but it stopped short of the marked track at YS 520930 and then c/s 73 returned to ni har at YS 520921. Track beleived tp have been prepared by VC for mov of hy eqpt or a large body of tps.
- 231800H 3 members evacuated by c/s 73. All lifted out by jungle pen- extractor as no LZ in the area.
- 240730H c/s 73 commenced patrolling SOUTH through GS 5291 and 5290. Returned to FSPB Flinders at 1343 hrs.
- 241500H C/s 71 departed to RIF in GS 5390, 5391 and 5392. Ni ambush estb at YS 525907. Suspected malaria case evacuated by Possum from area of YS 522901 at 1630 hrs.
- 250800H C/s 71 continued patrol to GS 5391 and 5392. C/s 72 departed FSPB FLINDERS to check if VC had returned to camps in GS 5489.
- 251100H C/s 72 at YS 532893 reported noises and movement. A sweep of the area was conducted and only pigs were located. Due to time taken to search area of noises c/s 72 could only complete a search of GS 5389. A wellused E-W track loc at YS 538891.
- 251720H C/s 72 returned to FSPB FLINDERS. C/s 71 mounted an ambush on an old track at YS 541922.
- 260900H Two bursts of automatic fire approx 500m SSE of FSPB FLINDERS. Possum was sent to have a look. VC in area fire one shot at Possum who reported 3 VC on a track vic of YS 511881 and mov on a track at YS 518884. It would appear that two VC parties clashed as the two auto wpns were firing at about 180dgs to one another. It is doubtful that they would have opened fire otherwise when they were so close to the FSPB.
- 261620H C/s 73 despatched to investigate from where VC seen. Area was engaged by mors and arty.
- 261720H At approx YS 517884 c/s 73 located tracks for for 3 VC who moved into the area from the east. Tracks were followed to the SOUTH where a bunker about five days old was discovered. A pack was also found in the area under some bushes. From the area of the bunkers tracks headed both South And East. Items found in pack
Bandages
Surgical forceps
Vitamins
Sulphur Drugs
Syringes (2)
Needles (8)
Mattock Head

A light blood trail also found leading SOUTH to the creek. C/s 73 followed tracks to the South.

- 261800H C/s 73 reported movement to their front and asked for permission to fire. Area was engaged and searched but nothing was found. During search someone called out behind the searchers. Area again swept but nothing found. Due to failing light c/s 73 returned to FSPR Flinders.
- 270700H Tracker team (with dog) arrived at FSPR FLINDERS and departed with c/s 73 to check area visited previous night.
- 270810H At YS 518884 c/s 73 located tracks for 6 VC moving East along the track. Tracker team took over the lead.
- 270835h At YS 539909 c/s 71 located a 2ft diameter hole about 30 ft deep. Hole was perfectly round and was not quite vertical. Area searched for possible tunnel entrances but nothing found. Hole was blown by engr.
- 270845H C/S 73 reported that the tracks they were following had been joined by another group of tracks which came from the South. At YS 528888 two VC parties stopped for a halt or brew and then continued EAST. Dog continued to follow on a well worn track.
- 270916H C/s 73 reported they were following tracks for approximately one pl.
- 271007H C/s 73 reported that they were in an old VC camp at YS 538893. Camp consisted of 12 bunkers.
- 27 H Between YS 538891 and YS555899 c/s 73 located a total of 12 camps with a total of approx 200 bunkers. A camp approx 300 metres long and capable of holding up to 300 pers was loc at vic of YS 541889. This camp had been vacated within the last week. A total of 11 graves were also located and one was less than 24 hrs old. Some of the camps were pl sized. See Annex A & C.
- 271200H C/s 71 returned to FSPR FLINDERS.
- 271500H C/s 72 departed FLINDERS to ambush a track at YS 526886.
- 271642H C/s 73 reported fresh Ho Chi Minh sandal marks on the track heading bath WEST towards c/s 72's loc.
- 271745H C/s 73 and tracker team returned to FLINDERS.
- 280730H C/s 73 and 72 commenced move to the area of VC camps to prepare LZ to receive explosives and additional engr.
- 280815H C/s 73 and 72 commenced clearing LZ at YS 538893 Possum free dropped two axes into LZ. Due to the overhanging of large trees on the perimeter of the LZ additional explosives had to be winched in to complete LZ. Engrs and additional explosives could not be helilanded until 1350 hrs.

Rahys' Bonnet Rahys' Bottle
Freshly laundered clothing (3 sets incl womens clothing)
Hammock. Shelter. Sewing kits (3). Sandal straps. Cooking Utensiles. Wallet (new). Toilet gear sets (2). Rice (10lb). Dried fish. Mosquitoe nets (3)
Documents in Pack

2 Notebooks of Poems.
Personal letters. (C4 and C97 mentioned).
List of cash donors for Oct 68
Photo (Girl).
Party membership doc (possibly)

- 281630H C/s 73 left deml area to return to FLINDERS.
C/s 72 and Egrs remained in the area of the
VC camps. A total of 60 bunkers were destroyed
during the afternoon. During afternoon C/s 73
located a further camp consisting of 5 bunkers
and two very large huts. A CP was located under
one of the huts. Camp located at YS 546896.
- 290800H C/s 72 and engrg continued recces and destr of
en camps in GS 5489.
- 290900H C/s 71 departed FLINDERS to patrol GS 5188 and
5087.
- 291436H An ALBATROS overflying the FSPR sighted one VC
300 yds SSE of the base. C/s 71 moved to the
area and found fresh tracks for one person
heading NORTH towards the perimeter. The tracks
were lost about 150 yds out from the perimeter.
A search of the area revealed nothing.
- 291715H C/s 71 and 72 returned to FSPR FLINDERS.
- 300730H Coy returned to NUI DAT by CH47.

VC INSTALLATION REPORT

1. Report by No 30759 Lt BC Barley.
2. Report on installation (type) Bunker camp at GR 541889. At 1200 hrs on 28 Oct 68.
3. Area covered by installation (square yards) 30,000.
4. Defensive layout (answer following questions and any more detail that can be given)
 - a. Were there any weapon pits and tunnels?
 - (i) Weapon pits only
 - (ii) Tunnels and weapon pits YES
 - (iii) Tunnels only
 - b. Depth underground of tunnels. Not known - tunnels collapsed.
 - c. Were the tunnels and weapon pits interconnecting? If so, to what extent?
All were by crawl trenches.
 - d. Type of construction used:
 - (i) Tunnels
 - (ii) Weapon pits 1 ft to 2 ft OHP.
 - e. Number of weapon pits and tunnels. 60 plus bunkers 2 CP's 600 metres of trenches.
 - f. Estimate unit or sub-unit to occupy them. Bn 300 men.
 - g. Direction weapons pits were facing. All round protection.
 - h. Were the pits:
 - (i) Individual
 - (ii) Two man. YES.
 - (iii) Three man. YES.
 - (iv) Crew served, if so what type of weapon do you estimate and what direction was it facing. N/A.
 - i. How old were:
 - (i) Weapons pits. 1 Year.
 - (ii) Tunnels. 1 Year.
 - (iii) Any other installation. CP's. - 2 years.
 - j. Was the defensive layout near a river, track, road, ford or town?
Near a river on a large track system.
 - k. Were there any early warning posts or devices? Sentry posts.
 - l. Extent and type of booby traps if any: N/A.
 - m. Destructive action taken (if any) Blown.

Signed BC BARLEY.....

(BC Barley Lt)

Annex C to W Coy
After Action Report 17/00

VC INSTALLATION REPORT

1. Report by 30759 Lt BC Barley.
2. Report on installation (type) System of camps from Gr 535891 NE to GR 549899 on 2^o Oct.
3. Area covered by installation (square yards) All on major track system. See trace.
4. Defensive layout (answer following questions and any more detail that can be given)
 - a. Were there any weapon pits and tunnels?
 - (i) Weapons pits only. YES.
 - (ii) Tunnels and weapons pits. YES.
 - (iii) Tunnels only. —
 - b. Depth underground of tunnels. —
 - c. Were the tunnels and weapons pits interconnecting? If so to what extent?
YES see trace.
 - d. Type of construction used.
 - (i) Trenches.
 - (ii) Weapons pits. OHP.
 - e. Number of bunkers and tunnels. Total approx 200.
 - f. Estimate unit or sub-unit to occupy them. Mainly Pl and Coy sized.
 - g. Direction weapons pits were facing. NORTH SOUTH.
 - h. Were the pits:
 - (i) Individual. —
 - (ii) Two man. YES.
 - (iii) Three man. YES.
 - (iv) Crew served weapon, if so what type of weapon do you estimate and what direction was it facing. N/A.
 - i. How old were:
 - (i) Weapon pits Some 6 months - majority 12 - 18 months.
 - (ii) Tunnels. —
 - (iii) Any other installation. —
 - j. Was the defensive layout near a river, track, road, ford or town?
On a major track parallel to a creek.
 - k. were there any early warning post or devices. Each camp protected the next.
 - l. Extent and type of booby traps if any. —
 - m. Destruction action taken (if any) Partially destroyed.

Signed..BC BARLEY.....

(BC Barley Lt)

