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AUSTRALIAN ARMY TRAINING TEAM VIETNAM

REPORT FOR MONTH OF DECEMBER 1965

DEPLOYMENT

1. Deployment of the team as at 31 Dec 65 is attached at Annex 'A'.

MORALE

2. Very good.

HEALTH

3. Summary of illness is attached at Annex C.

CASUALTIES

4. WO2 K.W. STOKER was wounded by shrapnel (mortar) on 8 Dec 65. At that time he was acting as an advisor to the 1st Bn, 5th Regt, ARVN which was heavily engaged with VC elements near TAM KY, in QUANG TIN Province. WO STOKER's wounds were not serious and he was not hospitalized.

OPERATIONS

6. TRABONG - The Special Forces Detachment Commanded by Capt FAZEKAS conducted eleven company sized operations. Of these five were Civil affairs/medical patrol escort operations at the extreme eastern boundary of the district. Seven platoon size reconnaissance patrols penetrated into the mountains without making contact with the VC. None of these operations resulted in any casualties to either side though three VC were captured.

7. The general summary of incidents attached at Annex D, records only those operations involving AATTV personnel on which written reports have been submitted and in these cases only those involving contacts have been included.

AWARDS

8. Letter of Commendation, from US sources, on the work of WO2 J.K. FUGE is attached.

TRAINING ACTIVITIES

9. The value of the AATTV members at DONG DA National Training Centre towards the war effort is negligible as advice is not practicable under the present system. Negotiations for reallocation of one captain and one warrant officer are under way.

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ATTACHMENTS

- Annex A - Team Deployment
- Annex B - Arrivals and Departures
- Annex C - Casualties
- Annex D - Log of reported incidents.

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Lt Col
Adm Command AAFV

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Annex A to AATTV
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TEAM DEPLOYMENT AS AT 31 DEC 65

1. SAIGON

| | | |
|---------------------------|---|----------|
| Brig O.D. JACKSON | : | Comd |
| Lt Col R.G. P.S. McNAMARA | : | CO AATTV |
| Capt P.H. DAVIS | : | Adm Offr |
| WO2 S.A. ARBLASTER | : | Adm WO |
| WO2 I.J. LANGRIDGE | : | Adm WO |

2. AATTV DANANG

| | | |
|-------------------|---|--------|
| WOI S.T. KENT | : | RSM |
| WO2 K.D. STOCKLEY | : | Adm WO |

3. I CORPS HQ

| | | |
|------------------|---|----|
| Maj I.G. McNEILL | : | G3 |
|------------------|---|----|

4. CSD

| | | |
|--------------------|---|--------------|
| Capt J.F. CAMPBELL | : | KIEN GIANG |
| Capt A.G. NESBITT | : | KIEN PHUONG/ |
| Capt P.L. TILLEY | : | QUI NHON |
| Lt R.J. BROCKETT | : | QUANG NAM |
| WOI E.B. OSTARA | : | VUNG TAU |
| WOI W.J. BIRKETT | : | VUNG TAU |
| WO2 E.B. HEWSON | : | VUNG TAU |
| WOI G.F. McGEE | : | DALAT |
| WO2 J.C. STEWART | : | QUANG NGAI |

5. SPECIAL FORCES
C TEAM DANANG

| | | |
|-----------------|---|---------------|
| WO2 W. ABIGAIL | : | S3 Air |
| WO2 W.C. GREEN | : | Air Movements |
| WO2 J.R. BISHOP | : | Air Movements |

NUNG FORCE

| | |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| WO2 J.H. McFADZEAN | Coy Comd |
| WO2 J. GORDON | Coy Comd |
| WO2 J.D. ROY | Coy Comd |
| WO2 W.S. DAVIES | PL Comd |
| WO2 G.E. EMERY | PL Comd |
| WO2 E.J. BOWMAN | PL Comd |
| WO2 S.C. COLLEY | PL Comd |
| WO2 E.J. LUCAS | PL Comd |
| WO2 W.J. DAVIES (Det HQ N Comd) | PL Comd |

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A TEAM TRABONG

Capt F. FAZEKAS
WO1 L.J. DOWSETT
WO2 G. SCALLY
WO2 P.J. HOYNE
WO2 M.G. ANSTEE
WO2 D.M. PALMER
WO2 T. FITZPATRICK
WO2 RH WITTEN

: OC A TEAM

6. RANGER TRAINING CENTRE
DUC MY

LT. J. SCALES
WO2 C.J. SCOTT

Senior Aust Advisor
Training Advisor

7. NATIONAL TRAINING CENTRE
DONG DA

CAPT D.N. KERR
WO1 A.C. DUNCAN
WO1 L. STEELE

: SNR AUST ADVISOR
Training Advisor
Training Advisor

8. 1 DIV BN ADVISORS

WO2 L.B. FIRTH
WO2 C.J. ISON
WO2 H.H. BEEZELEY
WO2 C.G. NEITZ
WO2 R. TILLEY
WO2 G. BATISTE
WO2 T.F. DOLAN
WO2 W.R. EVERETT
WO2 S.A. AIKEN
WO2 R.G. EVANS
WO2 J.A. McDONALD
WO2 D.I. HAWKSWORTH
WO2 J.H. ANDREWS
WO2 G.H. LAWRENCE

: PANTHER COY
: RECCE COY
: 1/1 BN
: 2/1 BN
: 3/1 BN
: 4/1 BN
: 1/2 BN
: 2/2 BN
: 3/2 BN
: 4/2 BN
: 1/3 BN
: 2/3 BN
: 3/3 BN
: 4/3 BN

9. 2 DIV BN ADVISORS

WO2 B.W. SUTHERLAND
WO2 K.W. STOKER
WO2 J.K. FUGE
WO2 G.Y. JAMIESON
WO2 W.E. SHENNAN
WO2 R.V. LEES
WO2 W.S. DICKEY
WO2 T.W. HOWARD
WO2 G.L. DOUGLAS

: 11 RANGER BN
: 1/5 BN
: 2/5 BN
: 3/5 BN
: 2/51)
: 3/51) QUANG NAM SPECIAL SECTOR.
: 1/6
: 3/6
: 4/6

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RF/PF ADVISORS

10. QUANG TRI SECTOR

MAJ D.G. ROBERTSON
WO2 R.M. KING
WO2 G.W. JACKSON
WO2 B.F. DAVIS
WO2 G. ARMSTRONG

TRIEU PHONG
TRIEU PHONG
QUANG TRI
DONG HA
GIO LINH

11. THUA THIEN SECTOR

MAJ M.J. MUSGRAVE
WO2 T.W. BARRETT
WO1 D.M. STAHL
WO2 A.G. HINSON
WO2 A.J. ARNOLD
WO2 P.B. McGRELLIS

NAM HOA/
NAM HOA/
HUE
PHU LOC
VAN THANH
LONG THO

12. QUANG NAM SECTOR

CAPT G.R. BELLEVILLE
WO2 E.R. WADE
WO2 L.I. MORRISON
WO2 K.J. McPHERSON
WO2 J.E. BARKER
WO2 E.F. MILLER
WO2 C.F. KIEOSKIE
WO2 G.M. POLKINGHORNE

RF/PF HQ
HOA VANG
HOA VANG
DIEN BAN
DIEN BAN
HOI AN
HOI AN
HIEU DUC

13. QUANG NGAI SECTOR

WO1 J.M. SELMES
WO2 T.A. PHILLIPS
WO2 D.G. CAMERON
WO2 V.L. HARRIS

SON HA
SON HA
TRA BONG
TRA BONG

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Annex 'B' to AATTV
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ARRIVALS

| <u>Number</u> | <u>Rank</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Date</u> | <u>Station</u> |
|---------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|----------------|
| 2270 | Lt Col | R.G.P.S. McNAMARA | 6 Dec | SAIGON |
| 22032 | WO2 | R.H. WITTEN | 10 Dec | TRA BONG |

DEPARTURES

| <u>Number</u> | <u>Rank</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Date</u> | <u>Station</u> |
|---------------|-------------|------------------|-------------|----------------|
| 35803 | Capt | I.C. TEAGUE | 11 Dec | DANANG |
| 13668 | Capt | A.B. PETERSEN | 23 Dec | SINGAPORE |
| 3782 | WO2 | P.M. CERDA-PAVIA | 11 Dec | KHE SANH |
| 26165 | WO2 | J.T. MALONE | 19 Dec | TAM KY |
| 32183 | T/WO2 | J.R. COUTTS | 19 Dec | TRA BONG |

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LOG OF INCIDENTS

| Date | Place | Narrative |
|-----------|------------------------------|---|
| 21-24 Nov | QUANG TRI Provin- ce | 1/1 Bn, (accompanied by WO2 BEEZLEY) supported by a Coy of 2/1Bn and 12 APC carried out a lengthy search and destroy operation resulting in 71 VC KIA and 4 WIA. |
| 2/3 Dec | GIO LINH | 3 miles south of DMZ, a four day blocking action by 3rd Coy of 2/2 Bn accompanied by WO2 EVERETT, resulted in contact from 1435 to last light on 2 Dec. Next morning four VC KIA were counted and quantity of arms and ammunition captured. |
| 10/11 Dec | NGUYET BIEN (Near HUE) | RF/PF and USMC elements carried out operation "Tucker Bag" ambushes followed by search and destroy action. Operation was accompanied by Maj MUSGRAVE and WO2 BARRETT. Casualties: Own tps 2 PF WIA. En - 3 KIA 2 PW. Two civilians accidentally killed by case of 155 illuminating round. |
| 10/13 Dec | 4 miles NW QUANG TRI City | 1st Coy of 2/2 Bn, accompanied by WO2 EVERETT, carried out a 4 day clearing operation. Five contacts resulted in two VC KIA and four PWs (two of whom were women) Nil friendly losses. |
| 15th Dec | TRIEU PHONG (QT) | Maj ROBERTSON, WOs KING and JACKSON accompanied 121 and 229 RF Coys on a clearing operation against suspected VC regional guerilla Coy in coastal villages of TRIEU LANG and TRIEU VAN. After light opposition initially the force made contact with two regular VC Coys well dug in, in a hamlet of TRIEU VAN. Two assaults, one with artillery support, failed to make any impression and when RF withdrew to await assistance from ARVN, the VC withdrew under cover of darkness. Known results: EN 18 KIA, 3 PW RF 10 KIA, 11 WIA. |
| 23/24 Dec | 7½ miles NNE QUANG TRI | Force of three ARVN Bns, incl 2/2 Bn which was accompanied by WO2 EVERETT, with supporting units, engaged an estimated VC Regt in well sited, dug in positions. After a day of heavy contact between the forces, the VC succeeded in escaping to the SW during the night 23/24. Friendly losses 17 KIA, 19 WIA. Confirmed En losses 5 KIA. From the volume of fire and air strikes laid on enemy positions it was assumed a number of casualties must have been carried away. |

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CASUALTIES

26165 WO2 J.T. M'LONE

Returned to AUSTRALIA 11 Dec for medical reasons - battle fatigue.

32183 T/2 J.R. COUTTS

Returned to AUSTRALIA 11 Dec for medical reasons - Epilepsy.

24980 WO2 K.W. STOKER

Wounded in action 8 Dec, near TAM KY. Slight wounds only.

2212536 T/WO2 R. TILLEY

Station Hospital SAIGON, 2-6 Dec, 24-28 Dec. Diagnosis PUO.

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| Date | Place | Narrative |
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| 23 Dec | : West of HIA : LANG | : An element of 2/3 Bn, accompanied by WO2 HAWKSWORTH engaged an estimated VC squad, dug in, whilst clearing a village in this area. After approximately 20 minutes the enemy withdrew leaving behind 4 KIA. ARVN loss was 1 KIA. |
| 25 Dec | : 4 miles : E Q. TRI | : 2/2 Bn, accompanied by WO2 EVERETT, engaged enemy twice during the day, killing three. ARVN casualty - 1 WIA A civilian (woman) was also accidentally killed during the second contact. |
| 29/30 Dec | : KHE SANH | : Nung Force patrol accompanied by WOs COLLEY and Davies and two USSF personnel, operating out of KHE SANH, sighted two groups of PAVN soldiers and called artillery fire down on their positions. Casualties, if any, not known. |
| 1-31 Dec | : CALU | : An element of 3/2 Bn, advised by WO2 AIKEN, spent the month as a garrison unit at CALU. Their position was under almost daily enemy fire. Minor casualties suffered. Enemy casualties inflicted by own and artillery fire unknown. |

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AUSTRALIAN ARMY TRAINING TEAM VIETNAM

REPORT FOR MONTH OF NOVEMBER 1965

DEPLOYMENT

1. Deployment of the team as at 30 Nov 65 is at Annex 'A'.

MORALE

2. Very good

HEALTH

3. With only one Team member hospitalized during November, the general health situation improved somewhat, over October's high figure.

CASUALTIES

4. 29890 WO2 K.A. WHEATLEY and 13841 WO2 R.J. SWANTON were both killed in action on the late afternoon of 13 Nov, during an operation near TRABONG in QUANG NGAI Province.

5. Circumstances were:- WOs WHEATLEY and SWANTON were both members of the US/AATTV Special Forces Detachment, based at TRABONG and commanded by Capt F. FAZEKAS, AATTV.

On 13 Nov the three above members and a US Special Forces NCO were accompanying as advisors, a Civil Irregular Defence Group company on a patrol operation. The company was moving in three groups. WOs WHEATLEY and SWANTON were with the Eastern group. At approx 1330 hrs the group with Capt FAZEKAS engaged a group of VC who broke and ran. Shortly after this, WO WHEATLEY radioed that his group were fairly heavily engaged and needed help. Capt FAZEKAS started to lead his group to their aid. WO WHEATLEY then radioed that SWANTON had been wounded in the chest. Capt FAZEKAS radioed to TRABONG for a medevac helicopter and an airstrike. He, at this stage, lost contact with WHEATLEY.

6. Meanwhile the CIDG had decided to withdraw and would not carry SWANTON who was dying. WO WHEATLEY refused to leave SWANTON and was killed with him when the VC force closed in.

7. By the time Capt FAZEKAS and the USSF NCO, Ssgt SERSHEN, had fought their way to the area there was no sign of either WO. Their bodies were found the following morning.

8. A detailed report on the operation, by Capt FAZEKAS, is attached.

OPERATIONS

9. See Annexures D and E attached.

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AWARDS

10. The following awards to past and present members of AATTV were announced on 1 Nov 65:-

| | | |
|---------------------|---|-----|
| Col F.P. SERONG OBE | - | DSO |
| Capt A.B. PETERSEN | - | MC |
| WOI CHINN | - | DCM |
| WOI SIMPSON | - | DCM |

TRAINING ACTIVITIES

RANGER TRAINING CENTRE DUC MY

11. During the month the Australian Advisors at Ranger Training Centre took part, as advisors, in security and clearing operations in the DUC MY area.

12. On 13 Nov Col MORROW, Lt Col GARLAND and Lt Col PREECE visited the Ranger Training Centre. They were briefed by the Commandant, Maj LIEU, and also by the CO of LAM SON National Training Centre. They were conducted on inspection of some of the training facilities of both establishments.

ATTACHMENTS

13. Annex 'A' - Team Deployment
Annex 'B' - Arrivals and Departures
Annex 'C' - Casualties
Annex 'D' - Log of operations.

McNamara Lt Col
Brig
Comd AAFV

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Annex 'A' to AATTV
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TEAM LOCATION AS AT 30 NOV 65

1. SAIGON

| | | |
|----------------------|---|----------|
| Brig OD JACKSON | : | COMD |
| Lt Col RGPS McNAMARA | : | CO AATTV |
| Capt PH DAVIS | : | ADM OFFR |
| WO2 SA ARBLASTER | : | ADM WO |
| WO2 IJ LANGRIDGE | : | ADM WO |

2. CSD

| | | |
|------------------|---|------------|
| Capt IC TEAGUE | : | DANANG |
| Capt JA CAMPBELL | : | KIEN HOA |
| Capt A NESBITT | : | KIEN PHONG |
| Capt PL TILLEY | : | QUI NHON |
| Lt RJ BROCKETT | : | HOI AN |
| WOI EB OSTARA | : | VUNG TAU |
| WOI WJ BIRCKETT | : | VUNG TAU |
| WO2 RJ PENMAN | : | QUANG NGAI |
| WO2 JC STEWART | : | VUNG TAU |
| WO2 EB HEWSON | : | VUNG TAU |
| WO2 GF McGEE | : | VUNG TAU |

3. RANGER TRG CENTRE DUC MY

| | | |
|-------------------|---|--------------------|
| Lt J SCALES | : | SENIOR TRG ADVISOR |
| WO2 T FITZPATRICK | : | ADVISOR |

4. AATTV DANANG

| | | |
|-----------------|---|-------------------------|
| WOI ST KENT | : | RSM |
| WO2 KD STOCKLEY | : | ADM WO |
| WO2 BE CHAPMAN | : | MEDICAL LIAISON OFFICER |

5. I CORPS HQ

| | | |
|--------------------|---|-------|
| MAJ IG McNEILL | : | G3 |
| CAPT GR BELLEVILLE | : | RF/PF |

6. SPECIAL FORCES (C TEAM DANANG)

| | | |
|------------------|---|---------------------|
| WO2 W ABIGAIL | : | S3 AIR |
| WO2 WC GREEN | : | AIR MOVEMENTS |
| WO2 JR BISHOP | : | AIR MOVEMENTS |
| WO2 JH McFADZEAN | : | COY COMD NUNG FORCE |

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| | | |
|---------------|---|---------------------|
| WO2 J GORDON | : | COY COMD NUNG FORCE |
| WO2 JD ROY | : | COY COMD NUNG FORCE |
| WO2 WS DAVIES | : | PL COMD NUNG FORCE |
| WO2 GE EMERY | : | PL COMD NUNG FORCE |
| WO2 EJ BOWMAN | : | PL COMD NUNG FORCE |
| WO2 SC COLLEY | : | PL COMD NUNG FORCE |
| WO2 WJ DAVIES | : | PL COMD NUNG FORCE |
| WO2 EJ LUCAS | : | PL COMD NUNG FORCE |

7. SPECIAL FORCES (A TEAM TRABONG)

CAPT F FAZEKAS
WO1 LJ DOWSETT
WO2 JR COUTTS
WO2 PJ HOYNE
WO2 MG ANSTEE
WO2 DM PALMER
WO2 CJ SCOTT

8. SPECIAL FORCES KHE SANH

WO2 PJ CERDA PAVIA

9. I DIV BN ADVISORS

| | | |
|------------------|---|-------------|
| WO2 LB FIRTH | : | PANTHER COY |
| WO2 CJ ISON | : | RECCE COY |
| WO2 HH BEEZLEY | : | 1/1 BN |
| WO2 CG NEITZ | : | 2/1 BN |
| WO2 R TILLEY | : | 3/1 BN |
| WO2 G BATISTE | : | 4/1 BN |
| WO2 TF DOLAN | : | 1/2 BN |
| WO2 WR EVERETT | : | 2/2 BN |
| WO2 SA AIKEN | : | 3/2 BN |
| WO2 RG EVANS | : | 4/2 BN |
| WO2 PB McGRELLIS | : | 1/3 BN |
| WO2 DI HWKSWORTH | : | 2/3 BN |
| WO2 JH ANDREWS | : | 3/3 BN |
| WO2 GH LAWRENCE | : | 4/3 BN |

10. 2 DIV BN ADVISORS

| | | |
|-------------------|---|--------------|
| WO2 BW SUTHERLAND | : | 11 RANGER BN |
| WO2 KW STOKER | : | 1/5 BN |
| WO2 GS SCALLY | : | 2/5 BN |
| WO2 RV LEES | : | 3/51 BN |
| WO2 AG HINSON | : | 3/4 BN |

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| | | |
|-----------------|---|---------|
| WO2 GL DOUGLAS | : | 4/6 BN |
| WO2 TW HOWARD | : | 3/6 BN |
| WO2 WS DICKEY | : | 1/6 BN |
| WO2 WE SHENNAN | : | 2/51 BN |
| WO2 GY JAMIESON | : | 3/5 BN |

11. DONG DA NTC (PHU BAI)

| | | |
|---------------|---|----------------------|
| CAPT DN KERR | : | SNR AUST ADVISOR |
| WO1 AC DUNCAN | : | GENERAL SUBJECTS COM |
| WO1 L STEELE | : | GENERAL SUBJECTS COM |

12. QUANG NAM SECTOR

| | | |
|---------------------|---|----------|
| WO2 ER WADE | : | HOA VANG |
| WO2 LI MORRISON | : | HOA VANG |
| WO2 KJ McPHERSON | : | DIEN BAN |
| WO2 JE BARKER | : | DIEN BAN |
| WO2 EF MILLER | : | HOI AN |
| WO2 CF KIEOSKIE | : | HOI AN |
| WO2 GM POLKINGHORNE | : | HIEU DUC |

13. QUANG NGAI SECTOR

| | | |
|-----------------|---|------------|
| WO1 JM SELMES | : | MO DUC |
| WO2 DG CAMERON | : | MO DUC |
| WO2 TA PHILLIPS | : | NGHIA HANH |
| WO2 VL HARRIS | : | NGHIA HANH |

14. QUANG TIN SECTOR

| | | |
|---------------|---|--------|
| WO2 JT MALONE | : | TAM KY |
|---------------|---|--------|

15. QUANG TRI SECTOR

| | | |
|------------------|---|-----------|
| MAJ DG ROBERTSON | : | QUANG TRI |
| WO2 BF DAVIS | : | QUANG TRI |
| WO2 RM KING | : | QUANG TRI |
| WO2 GW JACKSON | : | QUANG TRI |
| WO2 G ARMSTRONG | : | GIO LINH |

16. THUA THIEN SECTOR

| | | |
|-----------------|---|-----------|
| MAJ MJ MUSGRAVE | : | HUE |
| WO1 DM STAHL | : | HUE |
| WO2 TW BARRETT | : | NAM HOA |
| WO2 JK FUGE | : | NAM HOA |
| WO2 AJ ARNOLD | : | VAN THANH |
| WO2 JA McDONALD | : | LONG THO |

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Annex B to AATTV
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ARRIVALS

| <u>Number</u> | <u>Rank</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Date</u> | <u>Station</u> |
|---------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|----------------|
| 54956 | Capt | G.R. BELLEVILLE | 4 Nov | RF/PF DANANG |
| 29822 | WO2 | R.M. KING | 18 Nov | QUANG TRI |
| 52586 | WO2 | G.W. JACKSON | 18 Nov | QUANG TRI |
| 29273 | WO2 | L.I. MORRISON | 18 Nov | HOA VANG |

DEPARTURES

| <u>Number</u> | <u>Rank</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Date</u> | <u>Station</u> |
|---------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|
| 235153 | Capt | J.C. JACKSON | 2 Nov | RF/PF DANANG |
| 54956 | Capt | J.H. DEVITT | 2 Nov | CSD QUI NHON |
| 29494 | WO2 | R.J. KENNEDY | 26 Nov | DANANG |
| 25066 | WO2 | S.J. SMEATON | 26 Nov | DANANG |

DETACHED

| | | | |
|--------|------|---------------|----------------------|
| 13668 | CAPT | A.B. PETERSEN | HQ AUSTARM SINGAPORE |
| 213992 | WO2 | W. J. DAVIES | N.C.P.D. |

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CASUALTIES

26165 WO2 J.T. MALONE

Previously admitted 8th Fd Hosp on 20 Oct. Transferred to QUI NHON Hosp on 10 Nov. Discharged 15 Nov. Diagnosis PUO

29890 WO2 K.A. WHEATLEY

Killed in action East of TRA BONG 13 Nov 65.

13841 WO2 R.J. SWANTON

Killed in action East of TRABONG 13 Nov 65.

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LOG OF INCIDENTS

| Date | Place | Narrative |
|----------|-------------------------|--|
| 2-5 Nov | 18 km East: TRA BONG | Combined USMC, ARVN, RF and CIDG operation "BLACK FERRET. Capt FAZEKAS, WOs PALMER, WHEATLEY, SWANTON and SCOTT accompanied op as advisors. Operation resulted in the capture of 7 VC and 1 VC tax collector. 1000 kilos of rice was recovered and 50 refugees voluntarily returned to government control. |
| 4 Nov | Nth of GIA VUC | A force of 102 NUNGS, Commanded by WO2 McFADZEAN and including WOs LUCAS, BOWMAN and EMERY as Pl Comds, 36 CIDG and 4 USSF carried out a 7 day search and destroy operation in the GIA VUC area. Results of contact with the enemy:- Enemy losses unknown, Friendly losses 1 KIA, 4 WIA. |
| 4 Nov | 8km NE TAM KY | WO2 HOWARD accompanied 3/6 Bn on a sweep and search operation NE of TAM KY. Resulted in 1 VC captured with nil friendly casualties. |
| 4 Nov | 3 km SE QUE SON | WO2 SCALLY accompanied elements of 2/5 Bn who, with one company of RF and two platoons of PF, mounted a search and destroy operation near QUE SON. Results: En - 1 WIA, 1 captured, 1 suspect captured. Nil friendly casualties. |
| 2 Nov | BALONG Valley | A patrol from 2/1 Bn, accompanied by WO2 NEITZ encountered small group of VC, killed two and captured a number of weapons, incl a chinese carbine. |
| 5/6 Nov | GIA LE | USMC cordon and search operation "BONANZA". Elements of 3 Bn 4th Regt USMC and three Pls of PF from HUONG THUY Sub Sector accompanied by Maj MUSGRAVE; Resulted in capture of 1 VC and 28 suspects. 1 VC deserter gave himself up to the force. |
| 7 Nov | Near HUE | Search and destroy operation by 1/3 Bn accompanied by WO2 McGRELLIS. Six suspects detained. |
| 8 Nov | East of TRABONG | Special Forces. Search and destroy operation. Force accompanied by Capt FAZEKAS, WOs HOYNE and PALMER. Resulted in capture of 5 VC and some suspects. Nil friendly casualties. |
| 8-10 Nov | 12 Km West TAMKY: | 3/6 Bn, accompanied by WO2 HOWARD, 1/6 Bn and 4/4 APC carried out sweep and search of area. Results: En-12 suspects detained; Friendly - 3 WIA. |
| 8/9 Nov | Sth of HOI AN | 11 Ranger Bn, accompanied by WO2 SUTHERLAND, 39 Ranger Bn and Junk Fleet elements carried out a search and destroy operation through island areas in the river complex south of HOI AN. Results (11 Ranger only): En-6KIA, 1 WIA, 5 captured, 14 suspects detained. 2300 lbs of rice captured and 1 Chicom carbine taken. Nil friendly casualties. |

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Report for Nov 65 (40)
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| Date | Place | Narrative |
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| 13 Nov | : East of TRA BONG | : Special Forces. Two day search and destroy operation see attached report by Capt FAZEKAS, senior Australian advisor with force. Results: En-4 KIA (comprised) 16 KIA (no body count) 2 WIA. Friendly - 2 AATTV KIA, 2 CIDG KIA, 10 CIDG WIA, 1 MIA. |
| 13-15 Nov | : ALOUI | : WO2 W.S. DAVIES, with 7 and 9 Pls of NUNG Force mounted search and destroy operation in ALOUI area. Received some enemy fire. No other contact and no casualties. |
| 17 Nov | : THUY BO | : 3/51 Bn, accompanied by WO2 LEES carried out search and destroy operation in this area. Friendly casualties 1 WIA. Nil en casualties. |
| 18 Nov | : LA HOA | : 3/51 Bn (WO2 LEES) formed blocking force whilst RF/PF, Marine elements and 11 Ranger Bn (WO2 SUTHERLAND) swept area from Hwy, to railway. 3/51 suffered 2 KIA and 2 WIA. En lost 8 captured to 3/51. |
| 18 Nov | : QUANG TRI area | : 1/1 Bn (accompanied by WO2 NEITZ) and elements of 2/1 Bn attached the village of AN KHE to drive out 2 VC Coys and a VC Regt HQ. Action was successful. Results: En-67 KIA (50 plus bodies counted) large quantity of wps, ammo captured. Friendly-ARVN 13 KIA 7 WIA, US advisors 2 WIA. |
| 19 Nov | : HAI LANG District | : 1/1 Bn plus (WO2 NEITZ) attacked to clear two villages, one of which held a VC coy, in the district. With artillery support both villages were cleared. Results: En 40 KIA (confirmed) ARVN - 1 WIA .A. very successful operation. |
| 20 Nov | : 10 Km East PHO TRAC | : Following an airstrike on the night of 19 Nov. 2/3 Bn, accompanied by WO2 HAWKSWORTH, made a first light assault on a VC held village in the area. The village was accompanied by a Bn minus and two previous assaults on it had been repulsed. In this attack the village was taken by 2/3. Results: En 88 KIA (confirmed) 5 captured, ARVN 9 KIA, 7 WIA. US advisors 2 WIA. Large qty of arms and ammunition captured. |
| 25 Nov | : HAI LANG District | : 1/1 Bn (WO2 NEITZ) and 3rd Coy 2/1 Bn, whilst searching villages in HAI LANG area, came under heavy fire from one village in mid afternoon. Artillery support was called in and an attack mounted on the village. Attackers |

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| | | met vigorous resistance and the attack bogged down at 2000. The VC withdrew during the night. Results: En-62 KIA (unconfirmed), ARVN 4 KIA, 5 WIA. |
| 29 Nov | TRA BONG | Special Forces. Combat patrol of 140 CIDG, 10 RF/PF, accompanied by WOs DOWSETT and ANSTEE and a USSF Sgt, engaged VC near TRABONG. Result: En 2 KIA; Friendly - USSF Sgt WIA, 2 CIDG WIA. Patrol returned to TRA BONG with 214 refugees. |

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Special Forces Camp
A 107 TRA BONG
14 November 1965

REPORT BY 48049 CAPT F. FAZEKAS

I, 48049 Captain F. FAZEKAS, make the following report:-

I was the senior AATTV advisor on the 13th and 14th November 1965 with the CIDG Coy, which went out for a two day operation. The patrol started from TRA BONG Special Forces Camp at 130500 and moved in an Easterly direction along the main TRA BONG Valley road to BS 376874. From these coordinates the patrol moved to BS 377868 and moved along the 100 m contour line to BS 426863. There the patrol had a short rest. While resting, the patrol commander, 2Lt QUANG, LLDB, talked to me and told me that he would NOT move along the western creek of NUI HON DOAT to BS 445845 where the company was supposed to stage overnight. He instead said he was going to move his coy along the jungle edge on the Eastern side of the feature. His reasons was that the valley in which the original route was planned was too dangerous for his coy. After some discussion I agreed to the change of plan. The company moved off and moved very close the jungle edge on the Eastern side and I and also the other advisors, WO2 WHEATLEY, WO2 SWANTON and S sgt SERSHEN agreed that we had been seen by the local population. At 1145 hours the company arrived at BS 445846 and stopped for lunch.

I went to 2Lt QUANG and asked him what were his intentions. He stated that he would follow the original plan and split his company into three groups and continue with the search and destroy operation. As we all thought that surprise was lost, this seemed a reasonable plan. The only trouble was the time factor. It was 1300 hours and did NOT allow us a full day. The force moved BINH then to BS 447846 and one platoon went NW along the main track leading to BIEN HOA (1) BS 435871 without advisors. Another platoon and elements of the weapons platoon (one MG and one 60 mm mortar) moved NORTH in the centre of the valley with me and S sgt SERSHEN. K The remaining platoon and the Combat Reconnaissance Platoon with WO2 WHEATLEY and WO2 SWANTON and one MG moved NE following the SUOI TRA VOI river.

My element made contact at BS 452852. We sighted 4 VC in huts near the area. The VC returned the fire and broke in a westerly direction, abandoning one M1 carbine. The huts were destroyed by my element. This happened at approximately 1330 hours. At the same time there was firing heard from WO WHEATLEY's group from the EAST. Upon contacting him on the HT-1 radio he stated that the CIDG were rounding up some civilian suspects. We continued to advance to BS 450855 where we stopped to allow the flanking platoons to catch up. When I contacted WO2 WHEATLEY he stated that they were in contact with the VC at BS 453848 but they could handle it. They had one CIDG slightly wounded at this time. He also stated that the CIDG platoon commander was NOT doing anything at all and that he had just stopped. I then spoke to 2Lt QUANG and on my radio he spoke to his platoon commander as his radio did NOT work. 2Lt QUANG then stated that the platoon had three casualties from AR and MG fire. I contacted WHEATLEY again and asked him about the situation. He still said that they could handle it. Some more conversation took place between 2Lt QUANG and the platoon commander and at the same time the firing increased, I spoke to WO WHEATLEY again and he said that they would require help. I told him we were on our way and told Lt QUANG to move his platoon into the fight area. He was very reluctant and only when I said I was going anyway did he agree. I moved with S Sgt SERSHEN immediately back taking point scout, the CIDG then slowly started to move also. About halfway back to the fight area S sgt SERSHEN shouted to me and said that WO SWANTON was hit in the chest and that WO WHEATLEY requested MEDEVAC and immediate airstrike on the SE edge of the bridge at BS 453847. I radioed immediately to TRA BONG requesting the above. This was the last time we were in radio contact with WO WHEATLEY.

I continued toward the fighting area where heavy firing was still going on and eventually arrived there with S sgt SERSHEN and about 15 CIDG. I called the mortar and machine gun forward but they did NOT arrive.

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As we broke into the fight area we were engaged by small arms fire. I went to ground and engaged the enemy in the bridge area along the river bank. I had killed or wounded two or three VC, when they broke and started to flee. With about 7-10 CIDG soldiers, I followed them and broke into the village, where the VC broke contact, I saw two VC dead and I grenaded some hides in the village. As there was still firing going on behind me, I moved back to where S sgt SERSHEN was in contact with the VC. By the time I got back the firing had stopped and the MEDEVAC aircraft was in the area. I guided the helicopters in and evacuated two CIDG wounded. I also told the pilot to look for an Australian wounded (WO2 SWANTON) thinking that WO WHEATLEY might be setting up another LZ in his position.

At this stage 2Lt QUANG stated that he gave orders to the platoon engaged in the fight originally to move back to BIEN HOA (1). Also that he was moving his own platoon back. I told him I would NOT move without the two Australians. He said that the platoon should be on the track to BIEN HOA (1) and that we could evacuate the wounded Australians from there. I moved back about 500 m to BS 499849, then to BS 447853. At this time the requested airstrike bombed the SE end of the bridge and surrounding area.

At this stage I was sure of it, the CIDG would NOT fight anymore, so I requested the NUNG reaction force to be brought in at 1620 hours. The reaction force arrive at 1800 hours. I lead the reaction force to the fight area and placed them in two different ambush positions at this stage it would have been fruitless to search. It was past 2030 hours and very dark. After this I handed over command to Lt Col Charles E. ROSS, Commanding Officer of USSF Det C-1.

At 2230 hours we had one ambush sprung by 2 VC trying to cross the river. One CIDG slightly wounded. Enemy casualties unknown.

The next morning at 0615 hours we commenced the search. We found two CIDG KIA and WO2 WHEATLEY and WO2 SWANTON together in a thicket shot through the head several times from close range. We also picked up several weapons, their maps, watches and packs. At 0715 we evacuated them to CHU LAI. After completing the search and MEDEVAC the force moved back to TRA BONG.

From the position of the bodies it could be judged that WO2 WHEATLEY was dragging and carrying WO2 SWANTON from the open area to the thicket and stayed there with him, without a weapon, after the CIDG abandoned them, trying to help him and defend him.

The whole CIDG company, after the reaction force came in, claiming that they had NO ammunition and that they were tired, moved back to BIEN HOA (1). They were picked up at the same location at 0730 hours on 14 November 1965, and moved back to TRA BONG with the reaction force. The estimated number of VC was a platoon originally in the fighting area, then they were reinforced from the village SE of the bridge probably with the remainder of the company.

Total casualties were:

Friendly
2 AATTV KIA
2 CIDG KIA
1 CIDG DOW
9 CIDG WIA

Enemy
4 VC KIA Confirmed
16 VC KIA Unconfirmed

F. FAZEKAS, 48049
Capt, Inf, AATTV

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AUSTRALIAN ARMY TRAINING TEAM VIETNAM

REPORT FOR MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 65

DEPLOYMENT

1. Deployment of the team as at 30 Sep 65 is attached at Annex 'C'

MORALE

2. Very good.

HEALTH

3. Details of hospitalization are at Annex 'B'

REPLACEMENTS

STANDARD OF AATTV PERSONNEL

4. The general standard of replacements arriving for AATTV in the past few drafts appears to be declining. There has been an increase recently in the number of disciplinary and "compatibility" incidents, mostly of a minor nature, among members of the Team. These aspects are being watched closely and ~~necessary~~ action is being taken where necessary in order to maintain the present high standing of AATTV.

CASUALTIES

5. WO2 R.A. SCOTT was seriously wounded in action at 1410 hrs 10 Sep 65 and died at 1545 hrs, on the same day, as a result of this wound.
6. Circumstances were: - WO2 SCOTT was a member of the advisory team to the 3rd Bn, 6th Regt ARVN. The unit was searching a village approximately 4km north of TAM KY, in QUANG TIN Province when the area was sprayed by fire from an automatic weapon, believed to be a BAR. WO2 SCOTT was wounded in the head. He was evacuated to the U.S. Marine Corps Aid Station at CHU LAI where he died at 1545 hours 10 Sep.
7. WO SCOTT's Body was flown to AUSTRALIA on 19 Sep and was buried at the military section of ROOKWOOD Cemetery SYDNEY on 22 Sep.
8. WO2 E.F. MILLER. Late on the night of 7 Sep 65, whilst acting as an advisor to the 1st Bn, 51st Regt which was taking part in operation Quyet Than 10/N, WO2 MILLER was slightly wounded in the back and arm by enemy fire. The wounds were dressed and WO2 MILLER remained on duty.

AWARDS

9. Attached are letters of Appreciation from US sources for
Maj J.C. HARDING
WO2 R.B. WADE.

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OPERATIONS

10. Log of reported incidents is attached at Annex 'D'
11. Special Forces: During the month of September, the largely Australian A Team at TRA BONG carried out a number of successful patrols . These patrols killed nineteen VC, wounded eleven VC and captured fourteen. Fourteen suspects and numerous weapons were also taken. The unit lost only one CIDG KIA during the month.
12. Attached, for interest and information, is a copy of an after action report submitted by WO2 R.V. LEES who was accompanying the unit involved.

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Brig
Comd AAFV

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TEAM LOCATIONS AT 30 SEP 65

1. SAIGON
Brig O.D. JACKSON : Comd
Lt Col A.V. PREECE : C.O. AATTV
Capt P. DAVIS : Adm Offr
WO2 S.A. ARBLASTER : Adm WO
WO2 B.E. CHAPMAN : Att
2. CSD
Capt I.G. TEAGUE : DANANG - SAIGON
Capt A.B. PETERSEN : SAIGON
Capt J.H. DEVITT : QUI NHON
Capt J.E. CAMPBELL : KIEN HOA
WO2 R.J. PENMAN : QUANG NGAI
WO1 E.B. OSTARA : VUNG TAU
WO2 J.D. ROY : BAN ME THUOT
WO2 J.C. STEWART : VUNG TAU
WO2 D.J. WALLNER : VUNG TAU
LT R.J. BROCKETT : HOI AN
CAPT A. NESBITT : KIEN PHONG: KIEN TUONG
3. RANGER TRG CENTRE, DUC MY
Maj D.G. ROBERTSON : Senior Trg Advisor
WO2 W.R. EVERETT : Advisor
WO2 T. FITZPATRICK : Advisor
4. AATTV DANANG
WO1 D.M. STAHL : Acting RSM AATTV
WO2 K.D. STOCKLEY : Adm WO. (Hospital NHA TRANG)
5. I CORPS HQ
Maj I.G. McNEILL : G3
CAPT J.C. JACKSON : RF/PF
6. SPECIAL FORCES (DANANG)
Capt F. FAZEKAS : 'A' Team TRA BONG
WO2 J.H. GOULTS : A Team ASHAU
WO2 J. GORDON : 'A' Team TRA BONG
WO2 I.J. LANGRIDGE : 'A' Team ASHAU
WO2 J. McFADZEAN : 'A' Team TRA BONG
WO2 D.I. HAWKSWORTH : 'A' Team TRA BONG
WO2 A.J. ARNOLD : 'A' Team TRA BONG

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CASUALTIES

| | | | |
|-----------|--------|-------------------|---|
| 7 Sep 65 | 28886 | WO2 E.F. MILLER | WIA in QUANG TIN Province. Slight wounds to arm and back. Returned to duty after treatment. |
| 10 Sep 65 | 213006 | WO2 R.A. SCOTT | KIA near TAM KY in QUANG TIN Province. (See Report for detail) |
| 21 Sep 65 | 23450 | WO2 K.D. STOCKLEY | Admitted to 8th Fd Hosp NHA TRANG. Diagnosis HEPATITIS. |
| 26 Sep 65 | 27722 | WO2 C.J. ISON | Admitted to 8th Fd Hosp NHA TRANG Diagnosis MALARIA. |

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Annex 'A' to AATTV
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| <u>Number</u> | <u>Rank</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Date of Arrival</u> | <u>Station</u> |
|---------------|-------------|----------------|------------------------|----------------|
| 235124 | Capt | D.N. KERR | 16 Sep 65 | DONG DA |
| 48049 | Capt | F. FAZEKAS | 16 Sep 65 | TRA BONG |
| 29410 | WO2 | G.L. ARMSTRONG | 9 Sep 65 | DONG HA |

DEPARTURES

| <u>Number</u> | <u>Rank</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Date of Departure</u> | <u>Station</u> |
|---------------|-------------|-----------------|--------------------------|----------------|
| 25629 | Maj | J.C. HARDING | 3 Sep 65 | DANANG |
| 210576 | WO2 | A.J. SEAL | 4 Sep 65 | DANANG |
| 33057 | WO2 | D.C. YENCH | 4 Sep 65 | HOA VANG |
| 25032 | WO2 | K.J. RUDD | 4 Sep 65 | HOI AN' |
| 25455 | WO2 | N.E. RICHARDSON | 4 Sep 65 | DANANG |
| 13368 | WO2 | A.J. BRAY | 4 Sep 65 | DONG HA |
| 29313 | WO2 | C.B. JUDD | 4 Sep 65 | DANANG |
| 212744 | WO2 | G.E. MUNRO | 10 Sep 65 | DANANG |
| 22715 | WO2 | A.J. LANE | 26 Sep 65 | DANANG |

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| WO2 W.J. DAVIES ✓ | : | Att A Team TRA BONG |
| WO1 L.J. DOWSETT ✓ | : | 'A' Team TRA BONG |
| WO2 J.T. MALONE ✓ | : | 'A' Team TRA BONG |
| WO2 K.J. McPHERSON ✓ | : | 'A' Team TRA BONG |
| WO2 P.M. CERDA-PAVIA | : | KHE SANH |
| WO2 J.R. BISHOP | : | C Team DANANG |
| WO2 W. ABIGAIL | : | C Team DANANG (NUNG Coy) |
| WO2 W.G. GREEN | : | C Team DANANG |

7. QUANG NAM SECTOR

| | | |
|-----------------------|---|----------------|
| WO2 B.F. DAVIS | : | HOA VANG RF/PF |
| WO1 J.N. SELMES | : | DIEN BAN |
| WO2 C.L. DOUGALS | : | DIEN BAN |
| WO2 G.M. POLKINGHORNE | : | HOI AN |

8. QUANG TIN SECTOR

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| WO1 G.F. MCGEE | : | TAM KY, Sector Advisor |
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9. QUANG NGAI SECTOR

| | | |
|------------------|---|---------------------|
| WO2 R.J. KENNEDY | : | BINH SON Sub Sector |
| WO2 T.W. HOWARD | : | MO DUC |
| WO2 S.T. SMEATON | : | BINH SON |
| WO2 R.B. WADE | : | MO DUC |

10. 2 DIV (Bn Advisors)

| | | |
|---------------------|---|------------------|
| WO2 T.W. BARRETT | : | 1/6 Bn QUANG NAM |
| WO2 V.L. HARRIS | : | 1/5 Bn QUANG NAM |
| WO2 G.S. SCALLY | : | 2/5 Bn QUANG NAM |
| WO2 B.W. SUTHERLAND | : | 11 Ranger Bn. |
| WO2 E.F. MILLER | : | 1/51 QUANG NAM |
| WO2 R.V. LEES | : | TIEN PHUOC 3/51 |
| WO2 A.G. HINSON | : | 3/4 QUANG NAM |

11. THUA THIEN SECTOR

| | | |
|--------------------|---|-----------|
| MAJ M.J. MUSGRAVE | : | HUE |
| WO1 L. STEELE | : | HUE |
| WO2 J.R. FUGE | : | NAM HOA |
| WO2 J.A. MACDONALD | : | LONG THO |
| WO2 W.S. DAVIES | : | VAN THANH |
| WO2 W.S. DICKEY | : | NAM HOA |

12. DONG DA NTC (PHU BAI)

| | | |
|-----------------|---|------------------------|
| CAPT D.N. KERR | : | Senior Aust Advisor |
| WO1 A.C. DUNCAN | : | General Subj Committee |
| WO2 P.J. HOYNE | : | General Subjects |

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13. 1 DIV (Bn Advisors)

| | | |
|---------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| WO1 R.J. DIGGENS | : | |
| WO2 E.R. WADE | : | 3/3 Bn, 1 Div, HUE |
| WO2 L.B. FIRTH | : | 2/2 Bn QUANG TRI |
| WO2 K.A. WHEATLEY | : | Panther Coy, HUE |
| WO2 R.J. SWANTON | : | 1/1 Bn HUE |
| WO2 C.E. EMERY | : | 2/1 QUANG TRI |
| WO2 E.J. BOWMAN | : | 2/3 HUE |
| WO2 S.C. COLLEY | : | 3/2 HUE |
| WO2 G. BATISTE | : | 1/2 QUANG TRI |
| WO2 P.B. MC GRELLIS | : | 4/1 DONG DA |
| WO2 C.J. ISON | : | 1/3 HUE |
| | : | Recce Coy, HUE (Hospital NHA TRANG) |

14. QUANG TRI SECTOR

| | | |
|--------------------|---|--------------|
| WO1 S.T. KENT | : | QUANG TRI |
| WO2 R. TILLEY | : | TRIEU PHUONG |
| WO2 M.L. MCGEECHAN | : | GIO LINH |
| WO2 C.L. ARMSTRONG | : | DONG HA |

15. SAIGON (Awaiting Return to Aust 8 Oct 65)

CAPT G.C. SKARDON
CAPT K.W. MACKENZIE

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LOG OF INCIDENTS-SEPTEMBER 65

| Date | Place | Narrative |
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| 4 Sep | 3 km Nth TAM KY | WOs BARRETT and SCOTT accompanied the 3/6 and 1/6 Bns and 4/3 APC on a search and destroy operation - Quyet Thang 196/A. Operation resulted in two VC KIA with no friendly losses. |
| 4 Sep | TRA BONG | Special Forces elements led by Capt SKARDON, with WOs McFADZEAN, GORDON and DAVIES, in conjunction with Popular Forces elements, mounted an operation against the VC. Resulted in two VC KIA. |
| 5-8 Sep | GIO LINH | Operation WO2 COLLEY accompanied the 1/2 Bn who had been assigned several objectives in QUANG TRI Province several contacts were made. Results: ARVN-One KIA, nine WIA. Enemy two KIA. |
| 10 Sep | 4 km Nth TAM KY | Operation Quyet Thang 226/A was mounted to destroy enemy in this area. Units involved were 1/6 Bn (WO2 BARRETT) and 3/6 Bn (WO2 SCOTT). WO SCOTT, who died as result of a wound, was the only friendly casualty. Enemy losses were 1 KIA. |
| 10 Sep | TRA BONG (Special Forces) | An ambush patrol under the Command of WO2 W.J. DAVIES killed one VC. In a second contact with a VC squad two VC were KIA. |
| 13 Sep | 5 km West TAM KY | WO BARRETT accompanied the 1/6 Bn on a search and destroy operation Quyet Thang 236. Friendly losses were nil. Enemy losses were ten KIA. |
| 19 Sep | TRA BONG | Operation TRA BONG II. A search and sweep operation commanded by Capt SKARDON. Force comprised WOs Mc FADZEAN, HAWKSWORTH and MALONE and 130 NUNGS, 200 CIDG, 60 PF and 5 US Special Forces. Operation resulted in four VC KIA and capture of fourteen suspects. Friendly losses were one Nung and two CIDG WIA. |
| 20 Sep | Near TAM KY | 3/51 Bn, accompanied by WO2 LEES, was ambushed and badly mauled by a superior VC force. Details are attached. |

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| Date | Place | Narrative |
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| 22 Sep | 2-15 km SE HOI AN | Wo HARRIS accompanied the 1/5 Bn which, with 2/5 Bn and RF units, mounted an operation against known enemy near HOI AN. Resulted in fourteen enemy KIA and six friendly troops WIA. |

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ATTACHMENT

AFTER ACTION REPORT SUBMITTED BY WO2 LEES
AMBUSH 20-9-65

At about 1330 on the 20/9/65 the 3/51 Bn, less two companies, left a place called the markets on Highway 14, GR 983582. The object of the mission was to march to GR 950582 to reinforce the 3rd Coy of the 3/51 Bn. At about 1400 hrs the troops were ambushed.

The VC had laid a careful ambush with a company in huts at GR 961584, a second company at GR 968586, a squad at GR 969577. See plan attached. The troops were given no indication beforehand (as is normal) that there was a large VC body in the area.

I give the VC 'A' for ~~flame~~ ^{FLAIR} and 'A' for action. The point squad was in the village when the ambush was sprung. They were wiped out to a man. The forward company had sent out a patrol to go around the right flank of the village prior to this, and it ran into the second VC company. A machine gun had been set up in the school on the left of the road with a clear field of fire. At this time the squad in the hamlet to the left opened up on the Bn CP with machine guns. The forward Company withdrew to the graves short of the village but came under 81 mm mortar fire from NW direction.

In retaliation gunfire was brought to bear as shown in Annex 'B'. Then armed helicopters were called in to strafe the areas shown at Annex C.

FRIENDLY LOSSES

36 KIA
48 WIA (3 later died of wounds)

A number of weapons and PRC 10 wireless were also lost.

ENEMY LOSSES

1 KIA (confirmed byself)
40 KIA (as counted by villagers & troops)

At the same time the 3rd Company outpost was also attacked, by a VC Company.

FRIENDLY LOSSES

3 KIA
1 WIA

ENEMY LOSSES

20 KIA (enemy were observed carrying the bodies away)

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PERSONAL OPINION

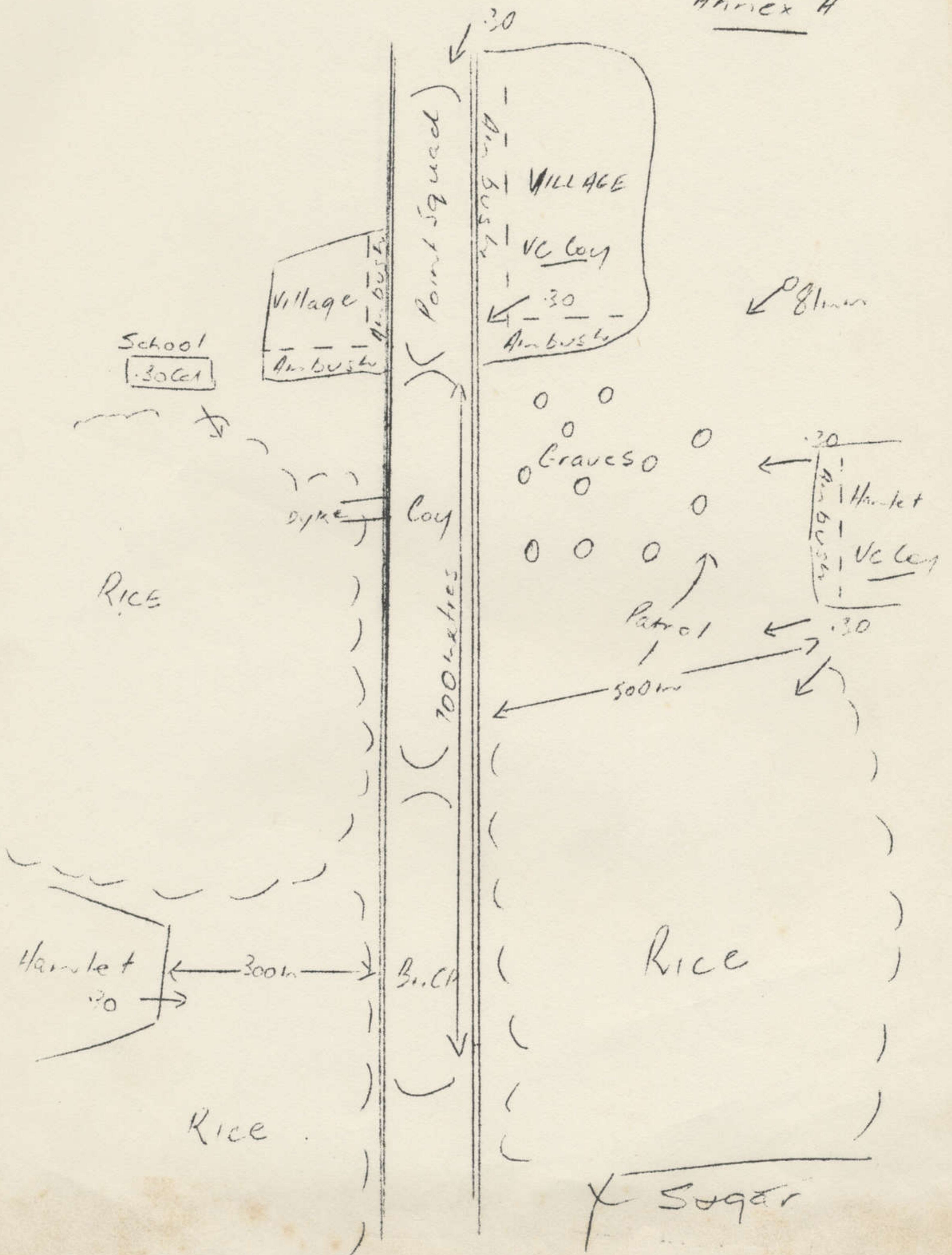
Believe the ambush was meant for a convey. It must have been set up night before as there was no "Bird dog" report of massing of troops. A Bn of 111 men could not have counter attacked as most were lost in the first clash and WIAs came from troops moving back through mortar fire. The area was too open in breadth to send out flanking patrols, except at the village. The troops fought the VC to a standstill and showed no sign of breaking. .

I recommend that light armour patrol roads more when troops are using the roads on marches and in conveys. L19 to patrol the roads and attack aircraft on call during movement. Troops should never travel roads on foot.

R.V. LEES WO2

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Annex A



Annex B

GUNS

Tgt 1

Tgt 4

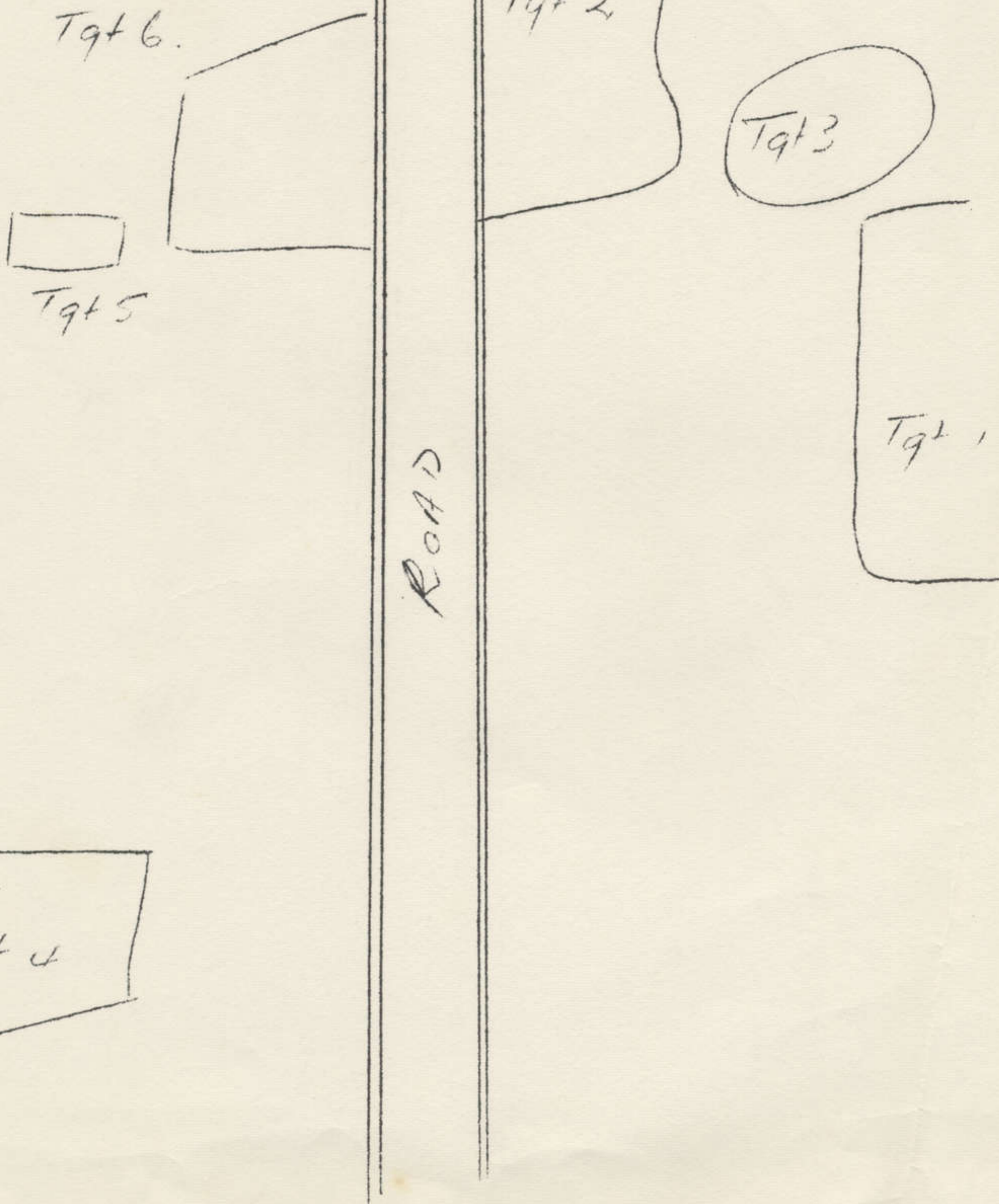
ROAD

Tgt 2

Tgt 3

Annex C

ARMED
HELICOPTERS



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AUSTRALIAN ARMY TRAINING TEAM VIETNAM

REPORT FOR MONTH OF AUGUST 1965

DEPLOYMENT

1. Deployment of the team as at 31 Aug 65 is attached at Annex 'C'.

MORALE

2. Very good.

HEALTH

3. Details of hospitalization and medical evacuations are at Annex 'B'
4. Capt J.C. JACKSON is at present in SAIGON undergoing view and receiving treatment from SMO AAFV.
5. The SMO AAFV is currently investigating avenues for effective immediate and follow up treatment for members of AATTV who contract forms of dysentery and related illnesses.

AWARDS

6. Capt A.B. PETERSEN, R Aust Inf, was awarded the VIETNAMESE cross of GALLANTRY, with SILVER STAR on 9 Aug 65. The presentation was made by General LU LAN, Commander 23rd Division. Details have been forwarded to AHQ (MS).
7. Copy of a letter of commendation for 41217 WO2 R.A.M. MONKHOUSE is attached.

OPERATIONS

8. Log of incidents is attached at Annex 'D'

CURRENT TRAINING ACTIVITIES

(DONG DA (National Training Centre))

9. As at 27 Aug 65 the total strength either in training or awaiting training at the National Training Centre was 4145. This figure is slightly in excess of the student housing and training capability of the Centre. Unit in training were the 1/51 Bn, 4/2 and 4/5 Bns.

DUC MY (Ranger Training Centre)

10. Maj D.G. ROBERTSON assumed the duties of Senior Advisor, Ranger Training Centre on 16 Aug 65.
11. At 27 Aug 65 there was a total of 2474 either in training or awaiting departure from RTC on completion of training.

SPECIAL FORCES

12. A new Special Forces Camp was established at TRA BONG, approximately 38 kilometres NW of QUANG NGAI, on 28 Aug. The US Special Forces A Team consists mainly of Australian warrant officers and is commanded, by Capt G.C. SKARDON. They are operating with 350 Nungs (built up from an original 150) initially until the area has been properly secured and dug, when the Nungs will be gradually replaced by Vietnamese Rangers and CIDG (Civilian Irregular Defence Group) personnel at present under training. Patrols to date have killed ten VC at a cost of eight casualties only.

Daniel C. Skardon Lt Col
Commanding Officer AATTV

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ARRIVALS

| <u>Number</u> | <u>Rank</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Date of Arrival</u> | <u>Station</u> |
|---------------|-------------|--------------|------------------------|----------------|
| 335073 | Maj | I.G. McNEILL | 15 Aug | DANANG |

DEPARTURES

| <u>Number</u> | <u>Rank</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Date of Departure</u> | <u>Station</u> |
|---------------|-------------|---|--------------------------|----------------|
| 335135 | Capt | A.S. COCHRANE | 22 Aug | SAIGON |
| 212766 | Capt | D.W. McDOWELL | 22 Aug | VUNG TAU |
| 34563 | WO1 | W.D. HODGART | 6 Aug | DANANG |
| 41217 | WO2 | R.A.M. MONKHOUSE | 6 Aug | DANANG |
| 26033 | WO2 | W.M. BAXTER | 6 Aug | DANANG |
| 213238 | WO2 | A.R. FOLBIGG | 6 Aug | DANANG |
| 13928 | WO2 | A.H. FRANKS (RTA ex 4 Fd Hosp BUTTERWORTH on 17 Aug 65) | | |

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CASUALTIES

13928 WO2 A.H. FRANKS

Reference previous report.
Tranferred from 4th Fd Hospital
Butterworth to 1 Camp Hospital
BRISBANE on 17 Aug 65.

37943 WO2 T.W. HOWARD

Admitted 8Fd Hospital NHA TRANG
7 Aug. Discharged 15 Aug. Diagnosis-
suspected Amoebic Dysentery.

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TEAM LOCATIONS AT 31 AUG 65

1. SAIGON
 - Brig O.D. JACKSON : Comd
 - Lt Col A.V. PREECE : C.O. AATTV
 - Capt P. DAVIS : Adm Offr
 - WO2 S.A. ARBLASTER : Adm WO
2. CSD
 - Capt I.G. TEAGUE : DANANG-SAIGON
 - Capt A.B. PETERSEN : BAN ME THUOT
 - Capt J.H. DEVITT : QUI NHON
 - Capt J.E. CAMPBELL : KIEN HOA
 - WO2 R.J. PENMAN : QUANG NGAI
 - WO1 E.B. OSTARA : VUNG TAU
 - WO2 M.D. ROY : BAN ME THUOT
 - WO2 J.C. STEWART : VUNG TAU
 - WO2 D.J. WALLNER : VUNG TAU
 - LT R.J. BROCKETT : HOI AN
 - CAPT A. NESBITT : KIEN PHONG:KIEN TUONG
3. RANGER TRG CENTRE, DUC MY
 - Maj D.G. ROBERTSON : Senior Trg Advisor
 - WO2 B.E. CHAPMAN : Medical Advisor
 - WO2 W.R. EVERETT : Advisor
 - WO2 T. FITZGERALD : Advisor
4. AATTV DANANG
 - WO1 D.M. STAHL : Acting RSM AATTV
 - WO2 K.D. STOCKLEY : Adm WO.
5. I CORPS HQ
 - Maj I.G. McNEILL : G3
6. SPECIAL FORCES (DANANG)
 - Capt G.C. SKARDON : 'A' Team TRA BONG
 - WO2 G.E. MUNRO : 'C' Team DANANG
 - WO2 J.R. COUTTS : 'A' Team ASHAU
 - WO2 J. GORDON : 'A' Team TRA BONG (Ashau)
 - WO2 I.J. LANGRIDGE : 'A' Team ASHAU
 - WO2 J. McFADZEAN : 'A' Team TRA BONG (Nung ley)
 - WO2 D.I. HAWKSWORTH : 'A' Team TRA BONG (")
 - WO2 A.J. ARNOLD : 'A' Team TRA BONG (")

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| WO2 W.J. DAVIES | : | Att A Team TRA BONG (Wung) |
| WO1 L.J. DOWSETT | : | 'A' Team TRA BONG Ha Thanh |
| WO2 J.T. MALONE | : | GIA VUC |
| WO2 K.J. McPHERSON | : | 'A' Team TRA BONG C Team Danang |
| WO2 P.M. CERDA-PAVIA | : | KHE SANH |
| WO2 J.R. BISHOP | : | C Team DANANG |
| WO2 W. ABIGAIL | : | C Team DANANG (NUNG Coy) |
| WO2 W.G. GREEN | : | C Team DANANG |
| 8 | | |
| 7. <u>QUANG NAM SECTOR</u> | | |
| WO2 B.F. DAVIS | : | HOA VANG RF/PF |
| WO1 J.N. SELMES | : | DIEN BAN |
| WO2 C.L. DOUGLAS | : | HOI AN-PF Trg Centre |
| WO2 G.M. POLKINGHORNE | : | HOI AN |
| 4 | | |
| 8. <u>QUANG TIN SECTOR</u> | | |
| WO1 G.F. McGEE | : | TAM KY, Sector Advisor |
| 1 | | |
| 9. <u>QUANG NGAI SECTOR</u> | | |
| WO2 R.J. KENNEDY | : | BINH SANH Sub Sector |
| WO2 T.W. HOWARD | : | SANH TIN |
| WO2 S.T. SMEATON | : | BINH SANH |
| WO2 R.B. WADE | : | SANH TIN |
| 4 | | |
| 10. <u>2 DIV (Bn Advisors)</u> | | |
| WO2 T.W. BARRETT | : | 1/6 Bn DANANG |
| WO2 V.L. HARRIS | : | 1/5 DANANG |
| WO2 R.A. SCOTT | : | 3/6 DANANG |
| WO2 G.S. SCALLY | : | 2/5 DANANG |
| WO2 B.W. SUTHERLAND | : | 11 Ranger Bn. |
| WO2 E.F. MILLER | : | 1/4 DANANG |
| WO2 R.V. LEES | : | 2/6 TIEN PHUOC |
| 7 | | |
| 11. <u>THUA THIEN SECTOR</u> | | |
| WO1 L. STEELE | : | HUE |
| WO2 J.R. FUGE | : | NAM HOA |
| WO2 J.A. MACDONALD | : | LONG THO |
| WO2 W.S. DAVIES | : | VAN THANH |
| WO2 W.S. DICKEY | : | NAM HOA |
| 5 | | |
| 12. <u>DONG DA NTC (PHU BAI)</u> | | |
| Maj M.J. MUSGRAVE | : | Senior Aust Advisor |
| Capt J.C. JACKSON | : | Chief Weapons Committee |
| Capt K.W. MACKENZIE | : | Chief General Subj Committee |
| WO1 A.C. DUNCAN | : | General Subj Committee |
| WO2 P.J. HOYNE | : | General Subjects |

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13. 1 DIV (Bn Advisors)

| | | |
|--------------------|---|--------------------|
| WOI R.J. DIGGENS | : | 3/3 Bn, 1 Div, HUE |
| WO2 E.R. WADE | : | 2/2 Bn QUANG TRI |
| WO2 L.B. FIRTH | : | Panther Coy, HUE |
| WO2 K.A. WHEATLEY | : | 1/1 Bn HUE |
| WO2 R.J. SWANTON | : | 2/1 QUANG TRI |
| WO2 C.E. EMERY | : | 2/3 HUE |
| WO2 E.J. BOWMAN | : | 3/2 HUE |
| WO2 S.C. COLLEY | : | 1/2 QUANG TRI |
| WO2 G. BATISTE | : | 4/1 DONG DA |
| WO2 P.B. McGRELLIS | : | 1/3 HUE |
| WO2 C.J. ISON | : | Recce Coy, HUE |

14. QUANG TRI SECTOR

| | | |
|--------------------|---|--------------|
| WO2 S.T. KENT | : | QUANG TRI |
| WO2 R. TILLEY | : | TRIEU PHUONG |
| WO2 M.L. McGEECHAN | : | GIO LINH |

15. RANGER Bn, I Corps

| | | |
|-----------------|---|-----------------|
| WO2 A.G. HINSON | : | 2/51 Ranger Bn. |
|-----------------|---|-----------------|

16. SAIGON (Awaiting Return to Aust 3 Sep 65)

Maj J.C. HARDING
WO2 A.J. SEAL
WO2 D.C. YENCH
WO2 K.J. RUDD
WO2 H.E. RICHARDSON
WO2 A.J. BRAY
WO2 C.B. JUDD

17. ON LEAVE (prior to Return to Aust)

WO2 A.J. LANE

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LOG OF INCIDENTS-AUGUST

| Date | Place | Detail |
|-----------------|------------------------|---|
| 29 Jul 2 Aug | ALOUI | Two US Special Forces personnel and one hundred and eight NUNGS, Commanded by WO2 McFADZEAN, carried out a five day search and sweep operation in immediate vicinity of ALOUI. Operation took place in very difficult terrain and resulted in three contacts with the enemy. Results: Two NUNGS WIA, one en WIA, one Russian automatic weapon captured. |
| 3 Aug | 10km Sth of QUANG NGAI | Search and destroy operation was mounted in this area by 11 Ranger Bn, 4/3 APC, 2/51 Ranger Bn, accompanied by WO2 HINSON, and 51 Regt Strike Force Coy. Operation was given close air support by US Army armed helicopters. Results: ARVN-4KIA, 7 WIA. Enemy 32 KIA (22 by fire from helicopters), 5 WIA, 19 captured. |
| 5 Aug | 15 k SW of TAM KY | 1/6 Bn (WO2 BARRETT), 3/6 Bn (WO2 SCOTT), 4/4 APC and 1 RF Coy moved in to destroy enemy in the area. Results: Friendly 3 WIA. En 9 KIA, 1 PW. |
| 5 Aug | 6km Nth of DANANG | WO2 BISHOP and two US Special Forces personnel effected the successful recovery of "Blue Spring" (unmanned reconnaissance aircraft). There were no incidents. |
| 9 Aug | BINH SON | Two RF Pls from BINH SON accompanied by WOs KENNEDY and SMEATON engaged enemy near BINH SON. Action resulted in two RF KIA and three WIA. En losses unknown. |
| 9 Aug | West of QUANG NGAI | Search and Destroy Operation mounted by 11 Ranger Bn, 2/51 Ranger Bn (WOs HINSON), 3/5 Bn (WO2 RICHARDSON) and 4/3 APC resulted in nine En KIA, seven suspects captured. hil friendly losses. |
| 10.Aug | Sth of HOI AN | 1/5 Bn (WO2 HARRIS), 4/4 APC, and an RF Coy (t) engaged enemy south of HOI AN. Action resulted in fifteen enemy KIA and two friendly WIA, Number of en emplacements and hideouts were destroyed. |
| 12 Aug | 12k NW of TAM KY | Search and destroy operations, was carried out in the area by 1/6 Bn (WO2 BARRETT) helilifted, 3/6 Bn (WO2 SCOTT) one APC PL and two RF Coys. Results: En 14 KIA, 1 WIA, 12 PW, 12 suspects captured. Friendly - 1 KIA, 7 WIA. |
| 13 Aug | 25km NW of TAM KY | In an operation mounted to destroy known enemy in the area, 1/5 Bn (WO2 HARRIS), 2/5 and 3/5 (WO2 RICHARDSON) Bns killed five VC and captured one, without loss. |
| 16 Aug | 15km Sth of HOI AN | 1/5 Bn (WO2 HARRIS) and 895 RF Coy engaged enemy in this area. Result: Friendly - 1 WIA, Enemy Nil. |

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| Date | Place | Detail |
|--------|------------------------|---|
| 17 Aug | 6 km Nth of DANANG | WOs McPHERSON and ABIGAIL and US Special Forces personnel effected recovery of "Blue Spring" reconnaissance aircraft without incident. |
| 18 Aug | 25km SE of HOI AN | Operation was mounted by 1/5 Bn (WO2 HARRIS) and 4/4 APC to search out and destroy enemy in the area. Contacts resulted in five VC KIA and capture of six suspects, nil friendly losses. |
| 18 Aug | 5km Nth of TAM KY | 3/6 Bn (WO2 SCOTT) engaged enemy in this area, killing seven and capturing seven suspects. nil friendly losses. |
| 18 Aug | 10 K Sth of QUANG NGAI | Search and destroy operation was mounted by 2/51 Ranger Bn (WO2 HINSON), 3 VN Marine Bn and 4/3 APC. Result: En-5KIA, 17 suspects captured, 6 PW. Friendly - 1 WIA. |
| 19 Aug | 15 K Sth of QUANG NGAI | 2/51 (WO2 HINSON) and 3/51 Ranger Bns and 4/3 APC attacked VC installations in the area. Nil friendly losses. Forces VC KIA and a large quantity of stores and food captured. Twelve VC captives were released and many local people evacuated the area with the ARVN troops. |
| 18 Aug | 20 K Sth of QUANG NGAI | Two RF pls accompanied by WOs KENNEDY and SHEATON engaged enemy in the area. Results: RF/6KIA, 7 WIA, En-losses unknown. |
| 20 Aug | 10k West of TAM KY | Search and destroy operation mounted by 1/6 Bn (WO2 BARRETT), 3/6 Bn (WO2 SCOTT), 4/4 APC and RF and PF troops. Results: En- 4KIA, 2 VC suspects captured. |
| 21 Aug | 35km West HOI AN | Operation mounted by 1/4 Bn (WO MILLER) and 3/4 Bn. Two ARVN soldiers WIA. En losses unknown. |
| 21 Aug | 15 km West QUANG NGAI | 2/51 Ranger Bn (WO2 HINSON), 3 VN Marine Bn and 4/3 APC carried out a search and destroy operation West of QUANG NGAI. Result: Friendly-Nil casualties. EN-Six KIA one WIA. A number of weapons were captured. |
| 23 Aug | 30km West TAM KY | Search and destroy operation mounted by 1/6 Bn (WO2 BARRETT) and 3/6 Bn (WO2 SCOTT). Result: Friendly- Nil casualties. En-two KIA, one PW, eleven suspects taken. |
| 23 Aug | 25km Sw TAM KY | 2/6 Bn (WO2 LEEB) and two PF Coys engaged enemy in this area, killing two VC. Friendly casualties- Nil. |

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| Date | Place | Detail |
|--------|----------------------|--|
| 23 Aug | 4km Nth of DANANG | WOs BISHOP, DAVIES and ABIGAIL, with 100 Nungs secured a DZ for USSF and USMC para drop. There were no incidents. |
| 24 Aug | 20 km West of HOI AN | 1/4 (WO MILLER), 3/4 Bn and 4/4 APC carried out a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of the mountain AN LAC. Three ARVN WIA. Enemy loses unknown. |
| 24 Aug | CHU LAI | WOs DAVIES, with two US Special Forces personnel and 30 NUNGS were flown in to secure the area around a helicopter (H34) which had been shot down by groundfire. The H34 was recovered without further incident. |
| 26 Aug | PHU BAI | WOs DAVIES with 36 NUNGS secured the area in the vicinity of a downed helicopter. Enemy sniper fire was received but there were no casualties. |
| 28 Aug | TRA BONG, | Capt SKARDON, WOs McFADZEAN, McPHERSON, HAWKSWORTH, GORDON, ARNOLD and WOI DOWSETT, with WOs ABIGAIL and SEAL assisting, commenced build up of a new USSF A Team camp at TRA BONG, with 150 NUNGS. Day 1 activities proceeded smoothly and without incident. |

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AUSTRALIAN ARMY TRAINING TEAM VIETNAM
REPORT FOR MONTH OF JULY 1965

DEPLOYMENT

1. Current deployment of the team is at Annex 'C'.

MORALE

2. Very good.

HEALTH

3. Details of illness and hospitalization are at Annex 'B'.
4. The only team member hospitalized at this date is WO2 FRANKS who was admitted to 8th Field Hospital, NHA TRANG, after his complaint failed to respond to treatment in the field by the ARVN MO with 3/4 Bn, 2 Div.

AWARDS

5. The following awards were announced during the month:-
WOI E.B. OSTARA - DCM
WOI MORRISON (Now RTA)-Bar to DCM.
6. Brigadier O.D. JACKSON OBE was awarded the Vietnamese Order of Merit 1st Class on 22 Jun 65 by Prime Minister of The Republic of VIETNAM, Air Vice Marshal NGUYEN CAO KY. (Detail not included in last report).
7. Letter of Commendation is attached for 310027 WO2 W.S. DAVIES.

OPERATIONS

8. Log of incidents is attached at Annex 'D'.

CURRENT TRAINING ACTIVITIES

DONG DA (National Training Centre)

9. Recruits of the 4/6 Bn departed DONG DA on 12 Jul for 2 Div after having received eleven weeks of training.
10. The 4/40 Bn of 22 Div and 4/1 Bn of 1 Div have undergone training at the centre during July.
11. A large building programme has been almost completed at DONG DA NTC. This will provide 25 new barracks, 4 ea new dining halls and classrooms and ancillary facilities.

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DUC MY (Ranger Training Centre)

12. Unit Ranger Training - 39 Ranger Bn is currently at DUC MY for training.

13. ARVN Unit Training 4/4 Bn are currently in training, The decision has been made to train the 4/4 as replacements for existing units and not as a new unit. 23 Jul 855 had completed 6 weeks of a scheduled 9 week course.

14. Recruits. As at 23 Jul 65 a total of 951 Ranger Recruits were in training.

15. An avenue for procurement of additional instructional staff has been opened via the selection of suitable potential NCOs from recruit courses as they qualify. Although this does not help the officer instructor position it should greatly increase the amount of individual supervision being given to trainees. Although the NCO instructor figure is well down and the trainee figure is high the position should be improved within 3 months provided there are no increases in the current number of trainees.

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Davis Lt Col
Commanding Officer AATTV
21 JUL 65

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Annex 'A' to
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| <u>Number</u> | <u>Rank</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Date of Arrival</u> | <u>Station</u> |
|---------------|-------------|--------------|------------------------|----------------|
| 23518 | Capt | A.G. NESBITT | 18 Jul 65 | CSD |
| 36548 | Capt | P.H. DAVIS | 18 Jul 65 | SAIGON |
| 26182 | WO2 | R.V. LEES | 16 Jul 65 | TIEN PHUOC |
| 3972 | WO2 | A.G. HINSON | 16 Jul 65 | QUANG NGAI |
| 11621 | WO2 | W.C. SREEN | 16 Jul 65 | DANANG SF |

Departures

| <u>Number</u> | <u>Rank</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Date of Departure</u> | <u>Station</u> |
|---------------|-------------|---------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| 13343 | Capt | W.J.C. GREGG | 9 Jul 65 | SAIGON |
| 57056 | Capt | A.G. THOMPSON | 6 Jul 65 | TUY HOA PHU YEN |
| 12587 | WO2 | J.C. MOODY | 12 Jul 65 | 2 DIV |
| 52506 | WO2 | L.D. OSBORN | 24 Jul 65 | 1 DIV |
| 12840 | WO2 | A.H. MORRIS | 12 Jul 65 | DANANG C Team |
| 11230 | WO2 | H. POPE | 12 Jul 65 | 2 DIV |
| 26988 | WO2 | L.G. McGARRY | 10 Jul 65 | BAN ME THUOT |
| 12464 | WO2 | A.S. SELVA | 12 Jul 65 | HQ 2 Regt |
| 33889 | WO2 | R.F. SIGG | 12 Jul 65 | A Team ASHAU |
| 28910 | WO2 | F.W. RILEY | 12 Jul 65 | Tac Committee |
| 29553 | WO2 | D.H. HAGUE | 24 Jul 65 | 2 DIV |

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CASUALTIES

| | | | |
|--------|------|--------------|--|
| 13928 | WO2 | A.H. FRANKS | Admitted to 8th Field Hospital, NHA TRANG on 22 Jul. Diagnosis- Amoebic abcess on the Liver. Evacuated to 4th Field Hospital, BUTTERWORTH on 28 Jul. |
| 21406 | WOI | E.B. OSTARA | Admitted to Station Hospital, SAIGON, 18 Jul. Diagnosis-Meningitis Discharged 20 Jul. |
| 235153 | Capt | J.C. JACKSON | Admitted to 8th Field Hospital NHA TRANG 11 Jul; Diagnosis-Amoebic Dysentery. Discharged 17 Jul. |

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TEAM LOCATIONS AT 31 JUL 65

1. SAIGON

| | | |
|--------------------|---|----------|
| Brig O.D. JACKSON | : | Comd |
| Capt A.S. COCHRANE | : | Adm Offr |
| Capt P. DAVIS | : | Adm Offr |
| WO1 D.M. STAHL | : | Adm WO |
| WO2 S.A. ARBLASTER | : | Adm WO |

2. CSD

| | | |
|--------------------|---|------------------------|
| Capt I.G. TEAGUE | : | DANANG-SAIGON |
| Capt A.B. PETERSEN | : | BAN ME THUOT |
| Capt J.H. DEVITT | : | QUI NHON |
| Capt J.E. CAMPBELL | : | KIEN HOA |
| Capt D.W. McDOWELL | : | VUNG TAU |
| WO2 R.J. PENMAN | : | QUANG NGAI |
| WO1 E.B. OSTARA | : | VUNG TAU |
| WO2 J.D. ROY | : | BAN ME THUOT |
| WO2 J.C. STEWART | : | VUNG TAU |
| WO2 D.J. WALLNER | : | VUNG TAU |
| LT R.J. BROCKETT | : | HOI AN |
| Capt A. NESBITT | : | KIEN PHONG: KIEN TUONG |

3. RANGER TRG CENTRE DUC MY

| | | |
|--------------------|---|--------------------|
| Maj D.G. ROBERTSON | : | Senior Trg Advisor |
| WO2 B.E. CHAPMAN | : | Medical Advisor |
| WO2 W.R. EVERETT | : | Advisor |
| WO2 T. FITZGERALD | : | Advisor |

4. AATTV DANANG

| | | |
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| LT COL A.V. FREECE | : | C.O. AATTV: Senior Liaison Officer I Corps |
| WO1 W.D. HODGART | : | RSM AATTV |
| WO2 C.B. JUDD | : | Adm WO. |

5. I CORPS HQ

| | | |
|------------------|---|----|
| Maj J.C. HARDING | : | S3 |
|------------------|---|----|

6. SPECIAL FORCES (DANANG)

| | | |
|----------------------|---|--------------------------|
| Capt G.C. SKARDON | : | S3 Air 'C' Team |
| WO2 A.J. SEAI | : | G Team DANANG (NUNG) |
| WO2 R.A.M. MONKHOUSE | : | " |
| WO2 G.E. MONRO | : | C Team DANANG |
| WO2 R.A. FOLBIGG | : | " |
| WO2 J.R. COUTTS | : | A Team ASHAU |
| WO2 J. GORDON | : | " |
| WO2 I.J. LANGRIDGE | : | " |
| WO2 J. McFADZEAN | : | C Team DANANG (NUNG Coy) |
| WO2 D.I. HAWKSWORTH | : | " |
| WO2 A.J. ARNOLD | : | " |

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| WO2 W.J. DAVIES | : | C Team DANANG (NUNG Coy) |
| WO1 L.J. DOWSETT | : | HA THANH |
| WO2 J.T. MALONE | : | GIA VUC |
| WO2 K.J. McPHERSON | : | C Team DANANG |
| WO2 P.M. CERDA-PAVIA | : | KHE SANH |
| WO2 A.J. LANE | : | C Team DANANG |
| WO2 J.R. BISHOP | : | " |
| WO2 W. ABIGAIL | : | C Team DANANG (NUNG Coy) |
| WO2 W.G. GREEN | : | C Team DANANG |
| 7. QUANG NAM SECTOR | | |
| WO2 D.G. YENCH | : | HOA VANG RF/PF |
| WO2 B.F. DAVIS | : | " |
| WO1 J.N. SELMES | : | DIEN BAN |
| WO2 C.L. DOUGLAS | : | HOI AN - PF Trg Centre |
| WO2 K.J. RUDD | : | HOI AN - PF Trg Centre |
| WO2 G.M. POLKINGHORNE | : | HOI AN |
| 8. QUANG TIN SECTOR | | |
| WO1 G.F. McGEE | : | TAM KY, Sector Advisor |
| 9. QUANG NGAI SECTOR | | |
| WO2 R.J. KENNEDY | : | BINH SANH Sub Sector |
| WO2 T.W. HOWARD | : | SANH TIN |
| WO2 S.T. SMEATON | : | BINH SANH |
| WO2 R.B. WADE | : | SANH TIN |
| 10. 2 DIV (Bn Advisors) | | |
| WO2 T.W. BARRETT | : | 1/6 Bn DANANG |
| WO2 A.M. BAXTER | : | DANANG |
| WO2 N.E. RICHARDSON | : | 3/5 DANANG |
| WO2 V.L. HARRIS | : | 1/5 DANANG |
| WO2 R.A. SCOTT | : | 3/6 DANANG |
| WO2 A.H. FRANKS | : | 3/4 DANANG |
| WO2 G.S. SCALLY | : | 2/5 DANANG |
| WO2 B.W. SUTHERLAND | : | 11 Ranger Bn. |
| WO2 E.F. MILLER | : | 1/4 DANANG |
| WO2 R.V. LEES | : | 2/6 TIEN PHUOC |
| 11. THUA THIEN SECTOR | | |
| WO1 L. STEELE | : | HUE |
| WO2 J.R. FUGE | : | NAM HOA |
| WO2 J.A. MACDONALD | : | LONG THO |
| WO2 W.S. DAVIES | : | VAN THANH |
| WO2 W.S. DICKEY | : | NAM HOA |
| 12. DONG DA NTC (PHU BAI) | | |
| Maj M.J. MUSGRAVE | : | Senior Aust Advisor |
| Capt J.C. JACKSON | : | Chief Weapons Committee |
| Capt K.W. MACKENZIE | : | Chief General Subj Committee |

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| | WOI A.C. DUNCAN | : | General Subj Committee |
| | WO2 P.J. HOYNE | : | General subjects |
| 13. | 1 DIV (Bn Advisors) | | |
| | WOI R.J. DIGGENS | : | 3/3 Bn, 1 Div, HUE |
| | WO2 E.R. WADE | : | 2/2 Bn QUANG TRI |
| | WO2 L.B. FIRTH | : | Panther Coy, HUE |
| | WO2 K.A. WHEATLEY | : | 1/1 Bn HUE |
| | WO2 K.D. STOCKLEY | : | 3/1 Bn QUANG TRI |
| | WO2 R.J. SWANTON | : | 2/1 QUANG TRI |
| | WO2 C.E. EMERY | : | 2/3 HUE |
| | WO2 E.J. BOWMAN | : | 3/2 HUE |
| | WO2 S.C. COLLEY | : | 1/2 QUANG TRI |
| | WO2 G. BATISTE | : | 4/1 DONG DA |
| | WO2 P.B. MCGRELLIS | : | 1/3 HUE |
| | WO2 C.J. ISON | : | Recce Coy, HUE |
| 14. | QUANG TRI SECTOR | : | |
| | WO2 S.T. KENT | : | QUANG TRI |
| | WO2 A.J. BRAY | : | DONG HA |
| | WO2 R. TILLEY | : | TRIEU PHUONG |
| | WO2 M.L. MCGEECHAN | : | GIO LINH |
| 15. | RANGER Bn, I Corps | | |
| | WO2 A.G. HINSON | : | 2/51 Ranger Bn. |

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LOG OF INCIDENTS - JULY

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Place</u> | <u>Detail</u> |
|-------------|---------------|--|
| 1 Jul | 5th of DANANG | Operation was mounted by 1st Bn, 4th Regt, accompanied by WO2 MILLER and 3rd Bn, 4th Regt, accompanied by WO2 FRANKS, to destroy enemy in the area. Results: En 7 KIA, Friendly nil casualties. |
| 3 Jul | 5th of TAM KY | 3/4 Bn (WO FRANKS) mounted an operation to open the road from BA REN bridge to HUONG bridge. Result: 7 ARVN KIA. |
| 2 Jul | DANANG | WO2 MONKHOUSE and 9 Nungs, participating in a helicopter rescue operation South of DANANG were surrounded by two Coys of VC. The force was evacuated by #34 under cover of airstrike. Results: En 30 KIA. NUNGS 4 WIA. |
| 2 Jul | BATO | Three Pls of NUNGS, accompanied by WO McFADZEAN, conducted a patrol operation South of BATO. Results: 1 NUNG KIA. |
| 2/3 Jul | PHU TU | 2nd Bn, 3rd Regt, accompanied by WO2 C.E. EMERY carried out a search and destroy operation in the PHU TU area. Results were negative. |
| 6 Jul | LUNG MAI | 3rd Regt (TORNADO Reaction Coy), accompanied by WO2 OSBORNE, carried out a search and destroy operation. Result: En 14 KIA, 2 PW, 7 Wpns captured (incl 60mm mor) ARVN nil casualties. |
| 5/10 Jul | PHUOC LOC | 2nd Bn, 3rd Regt, accompanied by WO2 C.E. EMERY, mounted a search and destroy operation in this area. Result: EN 15 KIA, 3 POW, 8 wpns captured. ARVN nil casualties. |
| 8/9 Jul | GIO LINH | WO2 S.C. COLLEY accompanied the 1st Bn, 2nd Regt on a search and destroy operation in this area. Several contacts with nil casualties on either side. |

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| 9 Jul | HOI AN | 3/J Bn (WO2 RICHARDSON), 3/4 (WO2 FRANKS) 1/5 (WO HARRIS), 1RF Coy and 4/4 APC mounted a search and destroy operation near HOI AN. Result: EN 50 KIA, 15 PW, Friendly 3 KIA, 4 WIA. |
| 10/12 Jul | NAM HOA | Troops of 1st and 3rd Bns, 3rd Regt (WO2 OSBORNE), 1 Div APC Coy, PANTHER Coy (WO2 FIRTH) and 3 Coys USMC carried out a search and destroy operation. Result: EN-17 KIA, 1 PW, Friendly 3 WIA. |
| 11 Jul | HOI AN | 2/5 Bn (WO2 SCALLY) and 1 RF Coy engaged enemy SW of HOI AN. Results: EN 3 KIA, 3 VC suspects captured. Friendly 1 KIA, 1 WIA. |
| 11 Jul | QUANG NGAI | 2/5 Bn (WO2 SCALLY) and 2 RF Coys commenced an operation to destroy enemy in the area and to survey suitable outpost for the protection of QUANG NGAI. Results: EN 1 KIA, Friendly nil casualties. |
| 12 Jul | TAM KY | Search and destroy operation mounted by 3/6 Bn accompanied by WO2 R.A. SCOTT and 1/6 Bn, accompanied by WO2 T.N. BARRETT; supported by 4/4 APC and 15 Junk fleet. Results; EN 5 KIA, 15 VC suspects captured. Friendly nil losses. |
| 12 Jul | QUANG NGAI | Search and destroy operation in this area by 2/1 Bn (WO2 R.J. SWANTON) and 1st VN Marine Bn resulted in-EN 13 KIA, 5 PW. Friendly nil losses. |
| 13 Jul | TAM KY | 2/5 Bn (WO2 SCALLY) engaged enemy WEST of TAM KY. Result: EN 2 KIA, 1 VC suspect captured. Friendly nil losses. |
| 15 Jul | HOI AN | Light aircraft, flying air cover for a large convey moving from QUANG NGAI to DANANG, spotted a large VC ambush in the area of HOI AN. The 1/5 Bn (WO2 HARRIS) were moved into the area by RW aircraft and 3/4 Bn (WO2 FRANKS) and |

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| | | 4/4 APC moved in by vehicle. Air strikes were called in support of the operation. Results: EN 352 KIA (200 by air strikes) 145 VC suspects captured, 157 RR and 14 wpns taken. ARVN 73 KIA, 39 WIA, 8 MIA, 50 wpns lost. |
| 19 Jul | TAM KY | 1/6 Bn (WO2 T.W. BARRETT), 3/6 (WO2 R.A. SCOTT) supported by 4/4 APC and 1 RF Coy mounted an operation to destroy enemy in the TAM KY area. Result: EN 37 KIA (VN confirmed) 14 KIA (US confirmed). ARVN 1 WIA. |
| 21 Jul | TAM KY | 1/6 and 3/6 Bns carried out an operation similar to that of 19 Jul in the same area. Result: EN 26 KIA, several wpns captured, 7 caves and 5 tons of rice destroyed. |
| 23 Jul | TAM KY | 3/5 Bn (WO2 N.E. RICHARDSON) mounted an operation to destroy enemy in the area 10 kilometres north of TAM KY. Results: Two VC suspects captured. no casualties. |
| 25 Jul | TAM KY | Three Coys USMC, 1/6 Bn (WO2 BARRETT) 3/6 Bn (WO2 SCOTT) supported by 4/4 APC carried out an operation to destroy enemy in the TAM KY area. Result: EN 28 KIA, 8 POW, 5 suspects 47 weapons captured. Friendly nil. |

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AUSTRALIAN ARMY TRAINING TEAM

VIETNAM

REPORT NO. 21

FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 1964

BY

COLONEL F. P. SERONG, OBE, COMMANDING

GENERAL.

1. The trends reported in March continue. Erosion of RVNAF manpower is serious. A number of large and successful actions have been launched by the VC, with a corresponding number of large, and rather less successful actions by the GVN. I see no sign of the KHANH government having progressed towards gaining the support of the people.

REDEPLOYMENT OF HIEP KHANH GROUP.

2. Action on this redeployment is now complete, on the lines indicated at para 4 of Report No. 20.

3. The work of AATTV members with these Special Forces detachments continues to gain favorable comment.

COMMENDATION.

4. I have been particularly impressed with the work of WO MC COURT who, while recovering from his recent pangi wound, and partly immobilized, has launched a programme of night ambush training for village defenders. Already this programme has altered the tactical picture in his area.

5. I have had my attention drawn to the outstanding work of WO SWANSON and WO COOK, respectively of the DONG DA Weapons and Tactics Committees. This confirms my own observation. The recent successful operations by 2 Division owe much to the work of these two AATTV members.

6. As attachments to this report (Copy 1 only) I have included the following letters of commendation:

- (a) Letter of commendation for 240036 Maj J. M. DA COSTA.
- (b) Letter of commendation for 22424 WO2 B. J. SULLIVAN.

HEALTH.

7. There has been a minor outbreak of amoebic dysentery at DONG DA among AATTV and MAAG personnel. All concerned have recovered and returned to duty. It is suggested that all AATTV personnel on RTA be examined thoroughly for residual effects of this and other troubles.

MORALE.

8. Excellent.

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WELL-BEING

9. Allowances. Several months have now elapsed since the Austarm inquiry into AATTV allowances scales was made. There has been no indication of relief. Meanwhile all Commissary prices have increased approximately 10 per cent.

10. Decorations and Awards. AHQ will have received my separate submission on this subject. This matter gives rise to discontent and criticism. It is important to the well-being of this Force that either a form of recognition of their operational service be effected or an appropriate reason provided why this should not be done.

VISIT TO UNITED STATES, COMD AATTV.

11. The to and fro signals on this matter were noted.

CURRENT ACTIVITIES.

12. Dong Da (Phu Bai)

2 Bn 6th Regt - Completed 4th week of 5 weeks training.

2 Bn 2nd Regt - Marched in.

CC1 - Two companies completed 1st week of 9 weeks training.

Recruits - Two companies completed 1st week.

At the end of the month, 2/6 and 2/2 Bns by a unilateral decision on the part of ARVN were removed from training to take part in an operation in QUANG NGAI. This was most unfortunate, but not unusual.

13. Special Forces, CIDG (Village Defense)

No Change.

CAM DUC will in future be spelt KHAM DUC.

Personnel based at KHE SANH and AN DIEM will find themselves detached from time to time, as the need arises, to other parts within the DANANG group, notably ASHAU, KHAM DUC, and TARAU.

As the CIDG programme attracts more Montagnard villages, the Special Forces "A" Teams will move further to the WEST.

14. DUC MY

38 Ranger Bn completed its 6 weeks course.

23 Ranger Bn continues its 6 weeks course.

Basic Ranger Training continues.

JMS Course No. 13 completed.

15. VUNG TAO

Special Cadre Course No. 1 completed.

Special Cadre Course No. 2 commenced.

16. ATTACHMENTS

Captain CLARK and WO CHINN attached 1 Div for operations 18 - 28 April.

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7. CONCLUSION

The war is approaching a climactic stage.

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ARRIVALS

| Number | Rank | Name | Scheduled date of arrival | Actual date of arrival | Station |
|--------|--------|----------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|---------|
| 1117 | Lt Col | J. G. MONAGHAN | 15 May 64 | 7 Apr 64 | SAIGON |
| 36275 | Sgt | J. HUSBAND | 15 Apr 64 | 14 Apr 64 | DONG DA |
| 28878 | Sgt | J. R. STEWART | 15 Apr 64 | 17 Apr 64 | DONG DA |
| 35803 | Capt | I. C. TEAGUE | 15 Apr 64 | 17 Apr 64 | DANANG |

DEPARTURES

| Number | Rank | Name | Scheduled date of departure | Actual date of departure | Station |
|--------|------|----------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------|
| 240036 | Maj | J. M. DA COSTA | 15 Apr 64 | 11 Apr 64 | DONG DA |
| 22424 | WO2 | B. J. SULLIVAN | 15 Apr 64 | 4 Apr 64 | DONG DA |

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CASUALTIES

| | | | |
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| 52385 | WO2 | J. S. MC COURT | Panji stake penetrated instep of right foot. Wound healing satisfactorily. |
| 52693 | Capt | N. F. DE LA HUNTY | Slight facial wound from bullet. |

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APPOINTMENTS

1. SAIGON
Col F. P. SERONG: Comd
Lt Col R. G. P. S. MCNAMARA: Dep Comd, Advisor O&T Div
Lt Col J. G. MONAGHAN: Replacing Lt Col MCNAMARA
Capt C. L. T. MC DONAGH: Adm Off
WO2 J. C. SWANSON: Adm WO
2. DANANG (CSD)
Capt G. F. BOILEAU: Combined Studies
Capt A. B. PETERSEN: Detached Ban Me Thuot
Capt P. C. JARRATT: Detached Vung Tau
Capt I. C. TEAGUE: Replacing Capt G. F. BOILEAU
3. DANANG (Special Forces)
Maj J. M. MURPHY: "C" Team Nha Trang
Capt J. J. BURROWS: "B" Team Danang
Capt N. F. DE LA HUNTY: "A" Team An Diem
WO2 J. W. ROUGHLEY: "A" Team An Diem (detached Ashau)
WO2 B. STOKES: "A" Team An Diem (detached Ashau)
WO2 J. S. MC COURT: "A" Team An Diem (detached Tarau)
WO2 D. W. DONKIN: "A" Team Khe Sanh
WO2 R. E. ROONEY: "A" Team Khe Sanh
WO2 R. J. COLLINSON: "A" Team Khe Sanh (detached Kham Duc)
4. DONG DA
Maj I. G. MC KEOWN: Senior Australian Advisor, Adv S.3
Capt R. L. POLLARD: Chief Tactics Committee
WO1 R. A. BANDY: Tactics Committee
WO2 R. W. COOK: Tactics Committee
WO2 K. G. CONWAY: Tactics Committee
Capt R. J. MOYLE: Chief Weapons Committee
WO1 G. E. CHINN: Weapons Committee
WO2 A. D. CRAIG: Weapons Committee
Capt R. CLARK: Chief General Subjects Committee
Sgt J. HUSBAND: Replacing WO2 J. C. SWANSON detached from Dong Da
Sgt J. R. STEWART: Replacing WO2 R. W. COOK
5. DUC MY
Maj R. G. KENNEDY: Senior Australian Advisor, Senior Training Advisor
Capt G. D. W. IRVINE: Chief Basic Ranger Committee
WO1 H. D. CLIVELY: Advisor, Jungle, Mountain, Swamp School
WO2 D. C. DALTON: Advisor, Jungle, Mountain, Swamp School
WO2 D. J. NEVILLE: Unit Training Committee

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LOG OF INCIDENTS

| Date | Location | Occurrence |
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| 23 Apr 64 | AN DIEM | Our AN DIEM patrol, which Capt DE LA HUNTY is accompanying as training advisor, came under fire. One member suffered gunshot wounds to the chest. |
| 24 Apr 64 | ASHAU | A CV-2 aircraft carrying General WESTMORELAND was fired at when about to leave ASHAU. WO2 STOKES and WO2 ROUGHLEY, US personnel and Strike Force personnel were on the perimeter of the airstrip and were present at the limited fight which took place. Eight rounds struck the aircraft wounding some of the occupants. No casualties amongst the ground troops. |
| 28 Apr 64 | AN DIEM | Patrol made contact with VC. During this action Capt DE LA HUNTY received a facial wound from a round. The injury was slight and Capt DE LA HUNTY continued to perform his duties as training advisor. |
| 29 Apr 64 | AN DIEM | The same patrol engaged a VC sub-unit of approximately squad size. One US Special Forces member suffered a gunshot wound in the thigh and was evacuated for surgery. |

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