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FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
F/2	S-3	0600	All secure.
H&S	S-3	0610	Road sweep commenced.
H&S	S-3	0618	H&S/2/A returned to friendly lines.
F	S-3	0702	F/2 all secure.
H&S	S-3	0720	The road is clear up to highway # 1.
H&S	S-3	0720	Found 1 box mine 75 meters from highway, engineers blow it in place.
H	S-3	0721	H Company request to use ONTOS instead of LVT's to support G Company resupply.
G/3/A	S-3	0725	Departed their CP.
H&S	S-3	0730	Road security detail is now set in.
ARVN Adv	S-3	0752	1st ARVN Div Hdrs reports observing BT 035605 and requested information on whether they are friendly or enemy in that vicinity. Position report: BT 000617. Searching villages, on the move.
F	S-3	0800	Request made to use ONTOS in place of LVT's as proscribed in FRAG ORDER.
H	S-3	0801	All secure.
F/2	S-3	0802	Position report: At Ck Pt # 1 - (AT 988558).
G/3/A	S-3	0815	
S-3	All		
	Co's	0820	Notify all Companies - Mine warfare school that was scheduled for August 24 will commence 29 August instead. We will use list from 24 August. Set them back for the 29 August unless you want otherwise. 3/A will notify unit commanders.
E	S-3	0830	E Company units in Bn CP.
S-3	Regt	0850	SPOT REPORT A - Hotel Company B - 220045H-220130H C - FR: BT 025571 EN: Unknown D - At 220045H H Company CP received three rounds 60mm mortars. At 0115H two more rounds received. 0145H one additional round also received. H/3/A LP vicinity BT 029579 observed 6 personnel in area. E - Illuminated area with 81mm Mortars. Requested aircraft in attempt to observe mortar flashes. Aircraft unable to see any activity. F thru O - None P - Continuing surveillance Q - VC broke contact.
F	S-3	0900	Position report: (BT 000627)
G/3/A	S-3	0905	Position report: At Ck Pt # 2 coord AT 984552
Wiro			
Team	S-3	0915	Wiro team departing.
S-3	E/L	0930	Request planned day and night activities for 23 August 1966.

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S-3	Regt	0940	SPOT REPORT A - H&S Company B - 220715H C - BT 031641 D - H&S Company on Anderson Trail mine sweep- ing detail discovered 1 box type, Anti- Tank mine consisting of 50 to 60 lbs of TNT, box wrapped in plastic bag. E - Box was blown in place causing hole 8 feet wide and 5 feet deep. F thru M - None N - Box type mine. O thru Q - None.
F	S-3	0945	Returned to CP.
H	S-3	0950	We need a mod-over at coordinates BT 022585, going to come up on Company TAC. Gun shot wound in upper right thigh. Landing zone secure, will mark with yellow smoke.
F/2	S-3	0955	All secure.
H	S-3	0957	Mod-over W.T. 9276, gunshot upper right thigh.
S-3	Regt	1000	Called to Regt: Additional 22 Aug day patrols, E/2, E/3/B, E/1/B, E/2/A, E/1/A, H/1/A, H/2/1 and consolidated E/1 of 220800H.
H	S-3	1010	Mod-over is completed.
H/1/A	S-3	1035	Position report: (BT 022585) - H CP (BT 025576).
XO	ARVN	1045	Estimate 70 families requesting to move back into area vicinity our CP. S-2 will provide family names and other pertinent information; request district Chief and/or Village Chief take cognizance and advise subject to their approval this command.
S-3	H	1050	Referencing FRAG ORDER for 22 Aug. Do you have elements in assigned area. Must know ASAP.
G	S-3	1030	G Company captured 1 VCC, from this man re- ceived information concerning 14 VC, village coordinates (AT 990550) plan blocking force to east. 2 tanks sweep through village. Use supporting arms.
S-3	H	1100	Request position report of units involved in activities. (In accordance with FRAG ORDER).
E/3/B	S-3	1115	Departing friendly lines.
S-3	Regt	1125	SPOT REPORT A - Hotel Company B - 220940H C - BT 022535 D - H/1 received semi-automatic fire from estimated 2-3 VC in vicinity BT 019856. Returned 150-200 rounds small arms, 5

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rounds 60mm and 6 rounds 81mm. Med-evac
escort also strafed sniper covec.
E - One VC - KIA left in burning hut at
sniper coordinates and one VC shot down with
small arms, but was dragged away during
med-evac.
F - None
G - 2
H - None
I - One (confirmed and one (probable)).
J - None
K thru N - None
O - None
P - Continued assigned mission.
Q - Unknown
ITT enroute to your CP.
Resupply hole has left G Company CP.
INITIAL SPOT REPORT
A - E/2
B - 221100H
C - FR: 017623 EN: 016624
D - Patrol received 1 sniper round at above
coordinates.
E - E/2 fired 75 rounds in return and ONTOS
fired 25 rounds .30 cal in covec. Area
now being swept.
F thru N - None
Golf Company is commencing sweep.
G/1/A is leaving CP.
INITIAL SPOT REPORT
A - Golf Company
B - 221100H
C - AT 983552
D - G Company squad patrol captured 1 VCC at
above coordinates.
E - Disclosed location of 14 VC and weapons
cache at vicinity AT 990550. Golf Platoon
now blocking to the west; 2 tanks are
moving into village from east. AG is on
station to south to observe any possible
VC flight. VCC is accompanying blocking
force to identify VC and give location
of weapons cache.
F thru Q - None.
1 med-evac requested - routine - LZ secure at
BT 028593.
Regiment planning on having locflot drop
at coordinates from AT 984584 to BT 055582.
E/3/B Ck Pt # 2. (BT 033637)

S-3	G	1140
G	S-3	1140
S-3	Regt	1145
G	S-3	1155
G/1/A	S-3	1155
G	S-3	1156
H	S-3	1204
Regt	S-3	1205
E	S-3	1208

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S-3	REGT	1214	FINAL SPOT REPORT A - Hotel Company B - 221107H C - FR: BT 026592 BN: 029593 D - H/1 on patrol, encountered heavy sniper fire vicinity BT 029593, returned small arms fire and M-79/M72 fire. E - Firing ceased F - O: None P - Continuing assigned mission Q - Unknown
H	S-3	1218	Med-evac number VET 7970. Nature of wound twisted leg.
G	S-3	1225	G/3 sweep one third of the way through village
AT's	S-3	1226	Reported 3 of his vehicles in CP.
Regt	S-2	1227	Pickup FISC in progress to stand by to control holes on button yellow.
E	S-3	1237	E/1/B departed friendly lines.
E	S-3	1245	E/1/A departed friendly lines.
G	S-3	1245	G Company requested and received a fire mission at coordinates AT 990550. AO will observe.
H	S-3	1247	H Company med-evac now being completed.
H	S-3	1248	Med-evac completed.
F/2	S-3	1255	F/c all secure.
E	S-3	1256	E/3/B at Ck Pt # 3 (BT 029645).
G	S-3	1305	G Company wishes to stand-by on fire mission at coordinates AT 990550 and wishes to have on call.
E	S-3	1310	E/1/A departing friendly lines.
E/L	S-3	1312	Received med Ccp report and resupply request.
G	S-3	1320	ITT hole requested by G Company.
E	S-3	1335	E/1/A Ck Pt # 1 (BT 025635).
S-3	Air	1343	Request hole to pickup ITT and prisoner at G Company's CP.
S-3	H	1345	Request made for day and night activities for 23 August 1966, ASAP.
H	S-3	1346	Activities are being sent on resupply run to Bn CP.
G	S-3	1347	G Company now sweeping village - uncovered corn, medical supplies, and rice.
E	S-3	1354	E/3/A at Ck Pt # 1 (BT 022627).
E	S-3	1355	E/2 at coordinates BT 021609.
E	S-3	1407	E/2 at Ck Pt # 3 (BT 024612). Could not go to Ck Pt # 4 because ONTOS could not follow, however recon of area was carried out.
G	S-3	1408	Received resupply request from G Company.
G	S-3	1419	Request permission to burn village vicinity AT 990550.
S-3	G	1420	Negative at this time in reference to your last
H	S-3	1435	Resupply unit left CP.

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E	S-3	1436	E/3/B re-entered friendly lines.
S-3	E	1437	Notified E Company to notify E/2 of H Company units south southeast across river from E/2 Ck Pt # 5 (BT 021599). Move H/1 west to approximately (BT 020590) provide security/block for E/2 platoon north of river.
G	S-3	1447	G Company made another request for ITT hold for 1 VC prisoner.
Air	S-3	1450	Div air still checking hold for G Company.
F/2	S-3	1458	F/2 all secure.
E/2	Arty	1510	E/2 receiving fire and requested fire mission. Fr: coordinates BT 021610.
S-3	H	1514	Request position report of H/1.
H	S-3	1515	H/1 position BT 033588 and H CP received fire.
E	S-3	1516	E/2 under fire and moving thru brush.
G	S-3	1517	G/3 returned to CP.
E/2	S-3	1518	Cancel fire mission.
Wiro			
Pocm	S-3	1520	Completed work at middle terminal, now returning to Bn CP.
H	S-3	1543	Initial SPOT REPORT: H Company 221430H.
E	S-3	1544	Initial SPOT REPORT: E/3/A 221530H.
H	S-3	1545	Position report: BT 025590.
E	S-3	1600	Initial SPOT REPORT: E 221525H.
9th Rgt	S-3	1602	Request fire mission at AT 978565, request denied.
F/2	S-3	1608	F/2 secure.
E/2	S-3	1609	Request fire mission coordinates BT 017606.
1/9	S-3	1610	Request permission to fire at coordinates AT 995618.
S-3	1/9	1611	Permission granted.
E/L	S-3	1615	Received 23 August activities.
E	S-3	1615	E/3/A Ck Pt # 3 (BT 027628).
E	S-3	1615	E/1/A returned to friendly lines.
Arty	S-3	1620	G/2/1 given fire mission, coord AT 978565.
E/2	S-3	1621	E/2 fire mission being fired.
S-3	F/2	1624	Notified F/2 VC with weapons observed by 1/9 on RR tracks AT 995618.
ARTY	S-3	1626	Cancel fire mission coord AT 994602.
1/9	S-3	1627	Request fire artillery mission AT 994602.
S-3	1/9	1628	Permission granted.
S-3	H	1637	Return H/1 to H Company CP.
E	S-3	1640	E/3/A returned to friendly lines.
E	S-3	1645	E/1/B returned at 1530H.
S-3	Rgt	1653	FINAL SPOT REPORT A - H Company B - 221430H and 211505H C - BT 024576 D - Hotel CP at above coordinates received two rounds sniper fire from vic BT 028578 at 1430H. Received 4 additional rounds fire from BT 027580 at 1505H. E - No action taken.

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S-3	Regt 1658		F thru Q - None. FINAL SPOT REPORT A - Echo Company B - 221530H C - BT 030621 D - Squad size patrol found nylon fishing line stretched across trail. E - Wire traced, nothing found at either end. Area noted for future patrols.
S-3	Regt 1700		F thru N - Negative. FINAL SPOT A - Echo Company B - 221525H C - FR: BT 019607 D - E/2 received approximately 25 small arms rounds from the east across river. E - Fire was returned with 70 rounds small arms. However, movement to area was impossible due to river barrier.
S-3	Regt 1711		F thru N - None. FINAL SPOT A - Referencing E/2 SPOT REPORT 221100H, sent in at 1145H. Area was swept with negative results.
F	S-3	1714	F/2/B returned to CP at 1630H.
E/2	S-3	1719	Received initial SPOT REPORT: E/2 221530H.
E	E/L	1721	In regard to E/L request, we have negative TB tests.
E	S-3	1729	E/2 returning to CP with 2 WIA's from punji traps.
E	S-3	1740	INITIAL SPOT REPORT: E/2
E	S-3	1745	E/2 returned to friendly lines.
MT	S-3	1750	All vehicles returned to CP.
H&S	S-3	1820	Small arms fire heard in tree line in front of B sector lines.
S-3	Regt 1822		SPOT REPORT A - E Company B - 221530H C - FR: BT 019607 EN: BT 014607 D - E/2 received sniper fire (15-20 rounds) small arms from via BT 014607. E - Returned fire with 100 round small arms and 2 106MM rounds, 4-81mm mortar rounds, unable to check area due to not being able to forgo river.
H&S	S-3	1836	F thru N - None. Security detail is back in.
S-3	Regt 1850		SPOT REPORT A - E Company B - 221720H C - BT 017618

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			D - Two men in E Company 2nd Platoon stopped on punji sticks while returning to CP from patrol.
			E - Medical aid was given injured men and patrol continued to CP.
			F - None
			G - 2 - both walked back to CP.
			H thru N - Negative
			All secure
F/2	S-3	1910	Called change of Hotel Company's activities for night of 22 August. Cancellation of H/1/A ambushes and LP. Addition of H/3/A ambush and LP No # 1 and LP # 2.
S-3	Regt	1920	
			FRAG ORDER for 23 August 1966:
			1. All companies conduct extensive patrolling in assigned areas.
			2. Golf and Hotel be prepared to provide escort for two USAID Rops, conducting rice survey.
			3. Foxtrot provide 2 squads for Anderson Trail security.
			Golf patrol at ambush site (AT 986574)
G	S-3	2010	Report as a hole flow over BRAVO section of H&S lines it received tracer rounds from vicinity BT 015624.
H&S	S-3	2010	At 2015H E/L requested fire mission at BT 028513.
E/L	S-3	2015	Requested to fire at above coord - permission granted.
S-3	ARVN	2025	Requested fire mission at BT 028613 - Nature of target - suspected VC platoon.
	ADV		
S-3	ARTY	2027	E/3/A has just departed friendly lines.
			End of mission.
E	S-3	2035	1 round on previous fire mission observed exploding prematurely in air, in tree line.
S-3	S-3	2043	All secure.
ARTY	S-3	2049	Be prepared to meet with E/3/A 0900H tomorrow at present position.
G	S-3	2055	E/3/B has left friendly lines.
E-6	E/L	2056	Non-Hostile fell off dike and twisted ankle.
			S-1
			All secure.
H&S	S-3	2110	Request following information on VEW 7970
H	S-3	2118	type injury to include hostile or non hostile, circumstances, time of injury.
			S-1
			All secure
F-2	S-3	2120	It has been reported that 2 V.C. companies with approximately 270 men are scattered through out areas via 070607, 022612 and 014599.
S-2	All	2125	Companies are armed with 1-81mm mortar, 1-60mm mortar, 1 H.C. and individual small arms. They are wearing grey and camouflaged uniforms. Nguyen Hong Son and Ho Bon are the reported
	units		

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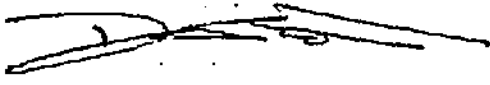
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			orders could possibly be the D-23 Co of the V-25 Bn attached to the 5th Bn.
E	S-3	2140	E/3 in ambush position at 015635.
H	S-3	2150	All secure.
E	S-3	2155	E/3 at cpt 1 at 021626
E	S-3	2210	F/2 All secure.
E	S-3	2230	E/3/A - E/3/B All secure
E	S-3	2300	F/2 All secure.
E	S-3	2300	All secure.
E	S-3	2400	All secure.
E	S-3	2400	F/2 All secure.

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SYNOPSIS:

22 August - At 0625H 2 squads from Company "E" plus a detachment of Engineers commenced mine sweep of Anderson Trail to junction Highway # 1; road sweep completed with negative incidents. At 0645H daylight activities (patrols and outposts) commenced. At 0730H H/3 received sniper fire from vicinity BT 023583. Small arms and M-79 rounds were returned. Sniper fire ceased and patrol continued its mission. At 1000H H/1 received fire vicinity BT 025583 from 5 buildings located at BT 028585. Returned small arms fire and grenades. A man was seen running away into the tree line. Area was searched with negative results. At 1045H a wire team received 5 rounds of sniper fire from vicinity BT 003634. ONTOS returned fire and probably wounded 1 VC. At 1100H F Company while conducting a company size sweep in the vicinity of coordinates AT 996593 came under extremely heavy automatic weapons fire by an unknown number of VC from vicinity AT 998595. F Company used all organic weapons and called 81mm mortar mission while returning fire. The company swept forward cautiously forcing the VC to break contact. The area was swept with no further contact. 1 M16A1 AP mine placed to break up the attack was found and destroyed. Company suffered 2 WIA's who received medical evacuation. At 1100H F/2 patrol vicinity AT 995637 in the southwest fired at a sniper who was shooting at 2-ONTOS at BT 004635. The patrol continued after the sniper broke contact. At 1120H a squad from H/1 at BT 025580 received 7-8 rounds sniper fire from vicinity BT 027582. Small arms fire was returned and firing ceased. M-1 ball ammunition was found at snipers position upon search. At 1340H F/2 patrol in the vicinity AT 995624 observed two VC with weapons at AT 993628. VC were taken under small arms fire and fled; during the firing a member of the patrol tripped a grenade-type booby trap which detonated and caused 2 WIA's. One was evacuated; one less serious remained. At 1600H communication wire section with squad size security unit and engineers discovered 3 booby traps in the vicinity BT 009635. Booby traps were rendered safe. They consisted of 1 M-26 grenade (lying on spoon, with pin pulled, under a piece of cardboard) and 2 VC anti-personnel mines rigged with trip wires. At 1815H E/2 received 1 sniper round from vicinity BT 025635 causing 1 WIA at coordinates BT 025635. Since snipers position could not be exactly determined, no fire was returned due to nearness of a village. WIA was evacuated. At 1854H all daylight

activities secured and night time activities (patrols/ambushes and listening posts) commenced. During the period 0805E-1915E B/1 patrol received several sniper rounds from vicinity BT 012615. No fire returned since sniper's position could not be determined exactly. They swept the apparent location and received fire from the right flank (in the vic BT 012613) and also from the rear (in the vic BT 015615). An 81mm mortar mission was called and small arms fire was returned. Area was swept and several VC were observed running into distant treeline; one was armed with a rifle. One document was found and was returned to battalion S-2. Hotel Company's CP in vicinity BT 025577 received 3 incoming 60mm mortar rounds and 20-30 rounds from both east and west at 220130H. H/3/A in LP (vic BT 029579) observed 6 personnel and area was illuminated. Surveillance of the area was continued through the night. At 220720E H&S Company mine sweeping detail on Anderson Trail discovered 1 box type mine with 50 to 60 pounds of TNT in the vicinity BT 031641 at 220700H. Mine was blown in place. At 222300H FRAG O for 22 August issued; operation 216-66 terminates 221200H; Echo Company commence extensive patrolling to "W" area; Golf Conduct patrol activities in "R" area; Hotel continue dismantle camp and patrol in the "S" area. There were 1 Company, 5 Platoon, 4 Squad Search and Destroy patrols; 1 squad and 1 fire team security patrol, 8 squad ambushes and 2 listening posts employed.



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H&S	S-3	0010	Request one round of illumination at coordinates BT 020620. Sentry on line hearing noises which sounds like someone chopping.
E	S-3	0025	E/2/A and E/3/B - All secure.
H&S	S-3	0027	Adjust illumination to coordinates BT 028621.
H&S	S-3	0050	End of illumination mission, negative results.
G	S-3	0055	All secure.
F/2	S-3	0100	All secure.
E	S-3	0130	E/2/A and E/3/B all secure.
H	S-3	1040	All secure.
G	S-3	0150	All secure.
F/2, G	S-3	2000	All secure.
H&S	S-3	0208	Alpha sector CP on Battalion perimeter reports hearing noises, possibly someone walking, about 200 yards out.
S-3	H&S	0209	Be aware of friendly activity 1000 meters north and 700 meters west.
E	S-3	0230	All secure. Negative contact.
F/2, H	S-3	0300	All secure.
H&S, & G			
H&S, E,	S-3	0400	All secure.
G & H.			
H	S-3	0445	All secure.
E/L	S-3	0447	All secure.
E	S-3	0450	E/3/A departed ambush site; E/3/B still in ambush, negative contact.
G	S-3	0451	Golf all secure.
H&S	S-3	0500	All secure, Negative contact.
E	S-3	0525	E/1 returned through ALPHA sector.
F/2	S-3	0527	All secure.
E	S-3	0533	E/2 has returned to friendly lines.
H	S-3	0548	All secure.
G	S-3	0550	All secure.
H&S	S-3	0552	All secure.
F/2	S-3	0555	F/2 all secure.
H&S	S-3	0556	2 squad from H&S company just departed the main gate.
G	S-3	0558	G/1/A has returned to friendly lines.
F	S-3	0615	Anderson Trail security has departed.
H	S-3	0645	H/3/A has returned to friendly lines.
H&S	S-3	0710	All secure.
F	S-3	0710	Road is clear for traffic.
H	S-3	0720	H/3 leaving CP.
S-3	Regt	0745	Cancelled patrols E/3/A and E/1/L; added patrols H/3, H/1, E/3, E/2/A, E/1/B, E/2/L, E/1/A, E/L/1, E/L/2, G/1/A and G/3.

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S-3	CO	0747	1/1 C.O. will be at LOI VN SCC headquarters at 0930H, 2/1 CO desires to meet 1/1 C.C. there.
F/2	S-3	0800	All secure.
S-1	S-3	0850	Concerning VEW 7970 - Need time of incident - time was 221200H.
S-3	Info	0910	Colonel has departed CP for HOI AM.
E	S-3	0910	E/3 departing friendly lines.
S-3	H	0925	Would like to know if you have found a fording place on river to your north. Also have you located blocking position along river, and what are their positions; also is trail south of river accessible to trucks.
E	S-3	0925	E/2/A departing friendly lines.
Supply	S-3	0925	Request to function fire one .45 cal in pit. Permission granted.
G	S-3	0945	Submit Med-evac at AT 981568 marked with yellow smoke, emergency hit mine. LZ secure.
E	S-3	0946	E/3 at Ck Pt # 1 (BT 047622).
Supply	S-3	0947	Secured function fire of .45 cal.
S-3	Regt	0951	SPOT REPORT A - Golf Company B - 220945H C - AT 981568 D - G/1/A patrol investigating explosion along patrol route, tripped one mine when corpsman commenced medical assistance, another mine was set off. E - Med-evac called, on the way. F - 2 G - 5
E	S-3	1000	DTG 220845H in regards to blocking positions along river, recommend tree line south of river from BT 025598 to BT 047700; area further east is open paddies. Road east and west are just paddy dikes but are accessible to track vehicle if approached from the south. No good fording areas noted, but will return further information if ordered.
E	S-3	1021	Security on Anderson Trail is all secure.
E	S-3	1025	SPOT REPORT
S-3	Regt	1045	A - E/3 B - 230950H C - FR: BT 035620 LW: BT 035622 D - Received 4 or 5 sniper rounds from the southwest. E - Held position, returned fire with 10 rounds of small arms; swept area with negative results; continuing patrol. F thru N - Negative
E	S-3	1030	E/1/B departed friendly lines.
S-3	S-3	1045	Called SPOT REPORT to Regiment for E/3.
*1/1	S-3	1055	Do not stop at our forward CP. 1/1-6 has already left for HOI AM.
H&S	S-3	1055	Testing grenades (10 out of 150).
H&S	S-3	1100	9 of 10 grenades went off - 1 a dud - will blow in-place with help of engineers.

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S-3	H	1110	Request .SAP any night LP's for 24 August, other than H/3/A night activity.
E	S-3	1110	E/1/A at Ck Pt # 3 (BT 003627).
E	S-3	1110	E/2/B departing friendly lines.
H	S-3	1115	Request to know if this man is in the field - GEORGE, Gary D. Cpl: Answer - Negative.
S-3	Regt	1130	SPOT REPORT A - Hotel Company B - 230950H C - FR: BT 039587 EN: BT 039585 D - Hotel/3 patrol received light sniper fire from vicinity BT 039585. Patrol then observed VC firing from those coordinates. E - Patrol returned fire with small arms and swept area. Several young men were noted lounging in swept area; ID card were checked - all had ID cards. None were on the black list. Also noted heavy blood trail in vicinity of snipers position. F thru I - None J - One (probable) L thru Q - None
Regt	S-3	1135	Major BOYD is enroute from Regt to Bn CP.
E	S-3	1139	SPOT REPORT A - E/3 B - 231120H C - FR: BT 034624 D - Man was moving down trail, heard muffled pop; checked his foot, found a round had gone through his foot; believed to be a 7.62 tracer round. E - administered first aid and evaced by hole, round believed to have been fired from an unknown source. F - None G - 1 Lawrence B. SANDERS 3528937 Corpman H - L - None K - 1 7.62 tracer round expended. E Company med-evac completed.
E	S-3	1157	Called in an additional patrol of F/1/A.
S-3	Regt	1220	Med-evac holes are on their way to G Company.
S-3	G	1230	F/1/A has departed friendly lines.
F	S-3	1301	Received SPOT REPORT 230940H (Final).
G	S-3	1301	Resupply vehicle leaving Hotel Company CP.
H	S-3	1347	Received SPOT REPORT from Hotel Company.
H	S-3	1300	F/1/A has reached Ck Pt # 1 (AT 995634); Anderson
F	S-3	1400	Trail all secure.
S-3	Regt	1415	SPOT REPORT A - Golf Company B - 230940 C - AT 982568 D - G/1/A was entering village vicinity AT 982568; after 3 members of patrol had passed the mine location it was stopped on and bounded approximately 2 feet in air and detonated. The remainder of

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the patrol froze with about 20 meters interval between each member. A reinforced squad with corpsman was sent to area from Company C.P. maintaining proper interval as best as possible, the corpsman administered aid. At this point one of the wounded detonated a second mine by his moving about.
 E - Tanks were moved into area to evacuate walking wounded and KIA's. 7 seriously wounded were evacuated by helo and 4 minor WIA's were sent into Battalion CP for observation and tetanus shots.

F - 2

G - 11

H thru Q - None

S-3 Regt 1425

SPOT REPORT

A - Hotel Company

B - 231100H

C - BT 014577

D - H/1 found 1 VC grenade with electrical cord running from it into a nearby rice paddy, where it appeared to go underground.

E - Grenade was blown in place.

F - O None

P - Continuing patrol

Q - None.

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S-1 G 1435

Request information on KIA's and WIA's to include initials and last 4 digits of serial no., and parts of body effected and time of incident.

S-3 H 1435

Request status of patrols and if you've had any contact with VC unit reported in your area.

S-3 Regt 1445

SPOT REPORT

A - Hotel Company

B - 231130H

C - BT 013578

D - H/1 found Vietnamese male in hut at above coordinates. he had an empty demo bag with him. Check of ID card indicated a discrepancy with his verbal statement. However, his name wasn't on the Local Black List.

E - One squad returned to Company C.P. with VCS. He will be turned over to District.

F thru K - None

L - 1

M thru Q - None

H S-3 1455

Must know the correct address of wife of Cpl FOSTER 203Q157 for wife's allotment that is be forwarded to CMC.

G S-3 1530

Received KIA and WIA list from G Company; routed to S-11

S-3 Regt 1353

SPOT REPORT (Final)

A - Hotel Company

B - 231250H

C - BT: BT 025575

D - Hotel Company CP received heavy semi and automatic

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fire from above coordinates.
 E - Small arms and 15 M-79 rounds were fired in return. Area was swept and two tunnels were located. They were checked out, and then tunnels were closed with grenades. 1 VC was seen fleeing into tree line (vic BT 028579), was fired upon. He appeared to stagger before disappearing.
 F thru I - None
 J thru L - 1 probable
 M thru O - None
 P - Returned units to Company CP
 Q - Unknown

H S-3 1558 Platoon size patrols and CP received light and heavy sniper fire. Fire was returned and VC was seen fleeing into the tree line. Two of which were vietnamese females with rifles. No contact made with unit over 3 to 4 people.

H S-3 1605 H/1 med-evac commaniced.
 F S-3 1615 F/1/A reached check point # 3 (BT 003629).
 H S-3 1616 H/1 med-evac completed.
 S-3 Regt 1632 Called additions to G/2/B and E/L/2A patrols.
 E S-3 1643 All Echo company daylight patrols in CP.
 OTTERS S-3 1655 Request escort from Route # 1, along Anderson Trail to CP.
 S-3 OTTERS 1656 Two ONTOS on the way for escort.
 F S-3 1700 F/2 all secure.
 H S-3 1709 H/1 met tanks and proceeding to CP.
 H S-3 1710 Cpl FOSTER's wife name: Mrs Mercedes FOSTER, 35 Mt. Morris, Rt # 627, New York, New York, 10027.
 H S-3 1716 H/1 has returned to CP.
 F S-3 1735 F/1/A has returned to CP.
 F S-3 1739 "F" Company's security on Anderson Trail reports all secure.
 F/2 S-3 1808 All secure.
 H S-3 1810 Ammunition expenditure 300 rounds .30 Cal.
 (ONTOS)
 F S-3 1850 F/3 Road security has returned to CP.
 F/2 S-3 1855 F/2 all secure.
 S-3 Regt 1855 FINAL SPOT REPORT
 A - Resupply column (OTTERS)
 B - 221600E
 C - BT 011568
 D - Two OTTERS were returning from resupply mission. Second OTTERS in convey damaged by mine at above coordinates. Mine estimated to contain 40 to 60 pounds of TNT. It caused crater 8 feet wide and 4 feet deep. OTTER was almost completely destroyed.
 E - Security was set up around damaged OTTER; WIA were Med-evaced; OTTER was then towed to Hotel Company C.P.
 F - 0

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			G - 5 (4 med-evaced, 1 returned to Bn CP). I thru O -- Negative.
H&S	S-3	1915	All vehicles have returned to Bn CP.
H&S	S-3	1925	G sector reported 50-60 rounds being fired 600-700 meters out at AZ 245° from Bn CP; D sector reported same fire fight at 700 meters at AZ 235° from Bn CP. Must supply Anderson Trail Road security, also be advised of friendly activity 1000 meters to north of Bn CP and 800 meters to the south of Bn CP tonight.
S-3	H&S	1930	
G	S-3	1950	All secure.
H	S-3	1952	All secure.
F/2	S-3	2000	All secure.
G	S-3	2005	G/2/B and G/3/A departed friendly lines.
E/L	S-3	2010	E/L 2/A departed friendly lines at 2000H.
1/9	S-3	2015	Received activities from 1/9; coordinates AT 986629. TOD 2000-TOR 2300.
S-3	F/2	2018	Be advised of 1/9's activities at AT 986629.
G	S-3	2019	G/2/B - AT 985574 - G/3/L - AT 994575; Units now in night time position.
H&S	S-3	2021	All secure.
F/2	S-3	2022	Request information on Thrust Lines. Received answer that change is on resupply column.
D	S-3	2026	E/1/A departed at 2000H and is at ambush site (BT 016636); E/2/A departed at 2030H.
H	S-3	2022	E/2/A patrol at night time position (BT 029986).
G	S-3	2050	All secure.
H	S-3	2050	All secure.
E	E/L	2056	E/L was issued FRAG ORDER for 24 Aug.
H&S	S-3	2058	Reported hit on sniper outside CP area; are now going to try for another shot.
F/2	S-3	2100	All secure.
E	S-3	2110	E/1/B held at gate to wait for clearance from H&S when through firing.
H&S	S-3	2111	Request illumination at BT 015625. Granted.
E1's	S-3	2117	Mission fired for H&S request.
E/L	E	2118	Request made from E/L for 2 flak jackets.
S-3	E, F, G, & H	2128	FRAG ORDER for 24 August 1966 1. Echo and Foxtrot conduct combined search and clear operation per verbal instructions from C.O. 2/1. 2. Golf and Hotel conduct search and clear operations within respective areas. 3. All units reminder to be careful in all radio transmissions to avoid possible compromises.
Arty	S-3	2147	81's report throwing grenades again at men outside lines.
S-3	E, F, G & H	2150	FRAG ORDER for Combined Search and Clear Operation: 1. <u>MISSION</u> . Commencing 240730H conduct combined Search Clear Operation in X-RAY Area in conjunction with 1/1. 2. <u>EXECUTION</u> (1) At 240730H depart CP by motor convoy to dismount point. Rejoin "E/L" with attachments and 2 RF squads. Move to positions

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vicinity BT 042629-053640.

(2) On order conduct search and clear operations to the south. Verify I.D. Cards. Destroy field fortifications which are not classified as family bunkers, apprehend and deliver to RF forces any VCS.

b. Foxtrot

(1) At 240730H depart CP by motor convoy to dismount point; attach on RF squad; move to positions vicinity BT 046630-056624.

(2) Provide blocking force for Echo Company's sweep in conjunction conduct search and clear operation in area SONG THANH QUIT. Verify ID cards, destroy field fortification not classified as family bunkers, apprehend and deliver any VCS to RF Forces.

c. AO will be on station until 1200H; after that on call; fixed wing on call; gun ship requested (to be confirmed)

d. Interpreter will be assigned Echo Company.

E/L	S-3	2154	All secure.
CO	S-3	2154	Received SPOT REPORT - CO 2/1
H&S	S-3	2215	Patrol leaving lines to search Bn CP Area, noticed at least 2 people moving around in same vicinity.
S-3	Regt	2216	SPOT REPORT A - Golf Company B - 232120H C - EN: AT 977567 FR: AT 982563 D - Tanks attached to Golf company spotted a boat at above coordinates with 2 VC aboard. E - Boat was illuminated with 81mm illumination and tanks opened fire with .50 cal. Boat moved to shore and M-79's were used. Seven M-79's were fired and on 7th round a large secondary explosion was heard. Golf company will sweep area tomorrow.
			F-H None. I - 2 probable. J - Q Negative.
1/1	S-3	2230	Negative DTG - Company F request if 1/1 unit participate in tomorrow's Operation is 488. Request Frequency and call sign of your participating unit.
S-3	E, F	2230	Hand carried to E & F the FR.G ORDER for 24 August 1966.
S-3	1/1	2230	Referring to your last msg: Participating Units - Echo on M-472; and Foxtrot on M-451.
H&S, E/L	S-3	2250	All secure.
S-3	Regt	2305	SPOT REPORT A - Golf Company B - 232120H C - EN: AT 985564 FR: AT 982563

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D - Golf Company observed activity in tree line at above coordinates.
 E - Tanks illuminated area and 3 VC were seen. Tanks fired .50 Cal and perimeter fired small arms. Three secondary explosions were observed by both perimeter personnel and Tanks. Area will be swept at first light.
 F - None
 G - None
 H - None.
 I - 3 (probable)
 J thru Q - None

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F & E S-3 2325 All secure.
 All S-3 2400 All secure.
 Units

SYNOPSIS:

23 August - Mine sweep of Anderson Trail completed at 0710H with negative results. At 0645H night time activities secured and daylight activities (search and clear/security patrols and outposts) commenced. At 0940H G/1/A activated a M16A1 mine vicinity AF 982568. As corpsman were administering first aid to the wounded, one wounded marine detonated a second M16A1 mine; results were 2 KIA and 11 WIA. At 0950H H/3 patrol at BT 039685 received light sniper fire from vicinity BT 039585; patrol returned fire and VC broke contact into an unknown direction. Area was swept and a blood trail was found. Several young Vietnamese men were noted lounging within the swept area; ID cards were checked and none were on the Black List. At 1100H H/1 located 1 VC grenade with an electrical cord running from it (vic BT 014577) into a nearby rice paddy; grenade was destroyed in place and patrol continued. At 1100H one corpsman of E/3 at BT 034624 detonated a mine consisting of one 7.62mm tracer round; round went through his foot and the individual was helo/med-evac'd. At 1130H H/1 patrol apprehended one Vietnamese male in hut (vic BT 013578) with an empty demolition bag; VCS was turned over to District Headquarters. At 1250H Hotel Company CP (BT 025573) received heavy semi and automatic weapons fire from vicinity BT 025575. Area was swept and two tunnels were closed with grenades. One VC was observed fleeing into the treeline (vic BT 028579) and was fired upon by patrol; VC appeared to stagger before disappearing into treeline. At 1558H Hotel Company CP received heavy sniper fire from vicinity BT 025579; VC broke contact into the treeline; two of the VC were females. Area was swept with negative results. At 1600H a resupply column of OTTER'S returning from Hotel Company struck a mine estimated to 4C-6 lbs of TNT. One OTTER was almost completely destroyed and 5 WIA's resulted. Four Marines were med-evac'd and 1 returned to BAS. At 1915H nighttime activities (patrols, ambushes, and listening posts) commenced. At 2120H Tanks attached to Golf Company at AF 977567; boat was forced ashore on opposite bank by fire when a large

secondary explosion was observed resulting in 2 VC KIA probable.
At 2120H Golf Company CP (AT 982563) observed activity in the
treeline at AT 985564. Area was illuminated and 3 VC were sighted.
Small arms and .50 Cal fire was employed resulting in three secondary
explosions were observed resulting in 3 VC KIA probable. Area to
be swept at first light. There were 9 platoon and 8 squad search
and destroy patrols, 4 platoon and 5 squad security patrols, 5 squad
ambushes and 2 listening posts during the period.

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From: 240001H August 1966
To: 242400H August 1966

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
H&S	S-3	0035	H&S Company search patrol has returned to friendly lines.
All units	S-3	0100	All secure.
S-3	Regt	0130	SPOT REPORT A - H&S Company B - 232000H-240035H C - FR: Bn CP lines EN: BT 009630 D - At 232000H H&S lines spotted 1VC with infrared sniper scope. VC was taken under fire and dropped to the ground after 3rd round was fired. H&S did not go after him immediately but instead used him for an ambush. After a period of time a patrol was dispatched after the VC. The battery for the sniper scope went down and was replaced approx. 30 minutes later. After scanning the area the body was missing and two people were sighted carrying an object large enough to be a body. The scope also picked up 15 objects in tree line which had not been there previously. The 15 objects were taken under fire with 300 rounds 7.62 and 30 M79 rounds. Results unknown at present. E - Patrol returned at 240030H and will again search both areas at first light. P-I-None J - 1(probable) K-Q-Negative.
E	S-3	0230	Ambush position all secure.
G	S-3	0245	All secure.
H&S, O H, F/2	S-3	0400	All secure.
H, E/1/A	S-3	0447	All secure.
H&S, G, F/2	S-3	0500	All secure.
E/1/A	S-3	0515	E/1/A has departed ambush.
E/1/A	S-3	0540	E/1/A has reentered friendly lines.
G, H	S-3	0541	All secure.
H&S, F/2	S-3	0600	All secure.
H&S	S-3	0620	Two squads from H&S and a detachment of Congre. commanded road sweep.
H&S	S-3	0625	Patrol just departed friendly lines to search for body/bodies; ref: SPOT REPORT 0130H.
F/2	S-3	0700	All secure.
E/L	S-3	0705	E/L reported no MEDCAP at their position today because of operation.

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G	S-3	0709	All night-time activities all secure and are in.
H&S	S-3	0714	H&S patrol has returned to CP.
H&S	S-3	0716	Security and sweep of Anderson Trail completed. Road secure.
E/L	S-4	0717	Received resupply request.
S-3	Regt	0730	Called in cancellation of E/1/A, E/2/A, E/L/2/A and E/L/1/B.
H&S	S-3	0740	Mine sweep team has returned to CP.
F/2	S-3	0800	Received planned activities from F/2 for 25 August.
S-3	Regt	0809	Called in activities for G/1/A and G/2/A also change F/1 to H&S. Informed Regiment of two company size search and destroy operations using E and F Companies in conjunction with F/1 and PF's.
E/L	S-3	0811	Received resupply request.
S-3	G	0825	Requested planned activities for 25 August.
H&S	S-3	0827	H&S/1 and H&S/2 all secure.
G	S-3	0830	G/1/A at Ck Pt # 2 (AT 984550).
Regt	S-3	0856	Received weather report.
E	S-3	0900	Echo company has all attached units and is moving.
F/2	S-3	0901	All secure.
G	S-3	0902	Received planned activities from Golf Company for 25 August.
E	S-3	0925	Position report: Echo Company at BT 041635.
G	S-3	0926	Position report: G/1/A at Ck Pt # 3 (AT 982552).
H&S	S-3	0930	Received initial SPOT REPORT: H&S 240845H.
F	S-3	0933	Foxtrot company moving out into position.
H	S-3	0950	Resupply column has departed for Hotel Company Resupply.
G	S-3	0956	Received ammunition expenditure from Golf Company.
G	S-3	0957	G/2/A Ck Pt # 1 (AT 987556).
S-3	Regt	1007	FINAL SPOT REPORT A - H&S Company B - 240845H C - FR: BT 028635 EN: BT 024634 D - H&S Company road security patrol received 1 round sniper fire from above coordinates. E - Fire was not returned because sniper position was in populated area. Area was swept with negative results. F thru Q - None.
S-3	ARVN ADV	1011	Request RF Company remain CP and be prepared for possible commitment as required - will keep you advised.
F	S-3	1015	Foxtrot company units in southern portion have visual contact with DELTA 1/1.
S-3	Regt	1017	Reference SPOT REPORT of Golf Company of 231120H called in last night: Area was swept this morning and patrol found only 3 explosion craters and dried blood.
H	S-3	1020	In regards to blocking-good position exist along tree line BT 032594 to BT 042594 with good fields of fire.

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F/2	S-3	1021	F/2 patrol departing friendly lines.
E	S-3	1027	Echo position report (BT 044637).
E	S-3	1033	Received information on mod-ovro from Echo Company of 3 heat casualties. Passed to Echo Company Rear.
H	S-3	1044	H/2 patrol position report (BT 055583).
S-3	S-3	1054	Echo Med-evac on lift.
E	S-3	1100	1 heat casualty reported (Total now 4).
E	S-3	1106	Mod-ovro of 4 heat casualties complete.
F/2	S-3	1107	All secure.
E	S-3	1108	Echo elements reached river.
E	S-3	1119	Unable to find 1/1. Will keep looking, will set in blocking position if cannot locate 1/1.
H	S-3	1150	H/2 position BT 056565, leaving AmTracs at BT 056585.
E	S-3	1155	Echo company in position, unable to reach 1/1 on TAG, 1/1 Delta Company will finish sweep in 20 minutes.
1/1	S-3	1230	Has reached blocking position.
F	S-3	1235	F/2 all secure.
1/1	S-3	1240	Information from 1/1 - North of Echo Company's position, 20 VC in caves - 1/1 providing guide for E/3 to VC position - E/1 and E/2 continue assigned mission. Rendezvous point BT 036633.
S-3	All Units	1300	All new people who have joined 2nd Bn, 1st Marines within the last few days will be at BOC by 240830H.
F/2	S-3	1310	All secure.
H	S-3	1319	H/1/A is now at BT 015584.
G	S-3	1320	G/2/A has returned to Golf Company CP.
Rgt	S-3	1404	LCpl PARZIALE delivered the SITREF.
F	S-3	1404	241350H DTG southernly "F" units have completed their sweep and are maintaining visual contact with 1st Bn, 1st Marine units. Remainder of F Company continues as blocking force. No visual activity to report.
F/2	S-3	1410	All secure.
E	S-3	1412	Position report (BT 051637).
H&S	S-3	1430	Received 2 sniper rounds at trash dump.
G	S-3	1430	G/1/A returned to friendly lines at 1420H.
			G/2/L returned to friendly lines at 1310H.
H&S	S-3	1432	H&S security checking area around trash dump due to sniper rounds.
F/2	S-3	1440	F/2 patrol received heavy sniper fire at AT 998628 - 1 walking WIA.
S-3	Rgt	1450	INITIAL SPOT REPORT A - Foxrot Company B - 241440H C - EN: AT 998628 D - F/2 patrol received automatic fire E - returning fire. F - None G - 1 non-med evac H thru N - None
*F/2	S-3	1445	Received heavy automatic weapons fire from AT 998628. Have 1 friendly WIA, walking wounded. Does not require evacuation at this time.

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F	S-3	1445	241245H DTG-1/1 units in south have moved to position to allow the southerly Foxtrot elements to commence their move. Request permission to do the same.
E	S-3	1500	Position report (BT 051632).
F	S-3	1503	F/2 has one more WIA walking.
F	S-3	1515	F/2 now has 4 WIA's at this time (All minor).
S-3	S-3	1600	Supply is going to test fire one M-60 M.G.
E/3	S-3	1607	Setting their blocking force.
S-4	S-3	1612	Test fire on M-60 completed.
G	S-3	1645	Request 12 BA-1389/U for mine detector.
E	S-3	1701	Echo company is linked up with Foxtrot Company is proceeding to vehicle embarkation point. Expect to be at vehicle embarkation point in 35 minutes.
B	S-3	1717	1 Man might have malaria should we med-evac or what? Requesting med-evac helo at BT 054626.
E	S-3	1800	Med-evac completed.
F/2	S-3	1800	All secure.
F	S-3	1840	Foxtrot company is back in the Bn C.P.
F	S-3	1907	SPOT REPORT A - Foxtrot Company B - 241520H C - FR: AT 999625 EN: AT 995628 D - Squad size patrol moving south at above coordinates, received automatic fire from referenced coordinates. E - Fire was returned with small arms and swept area with negative results. F - None G - 4 (Do not require med-evac) H thru N - None.
S	S-3	1920	One element of Echo Company has returned to Bn CP.
B	S-3	1926	All elements of Echo Company have returned to Bn C.P.
ARVN	S-3	1930	1 Platoon VC at BT 009644, 1 company VC at AT 997655 - BT 001655. C-3 rating.
51st	S-3	2000	Be advised of friendly activities out from the Bn perimeter. One North-northwest at 700 meters, another East-south-east at 300 meters.
E/L	S-3	2000	Sent in day and night time activities.
F/2	S-3	2000	All secure.
S-3	Regt	2005	Patrol additions F/1/A 242100H, F/2/A 242100H.
Dist	S-3	2002	VC have a company at BT 032605 and are firing a platoon down each day to BT 045605.
Hdqs	S-3	2010	Be aware of friendly activities coordinates AT 989629 from 2000H to 2300H.
B-3	F/2	2010	Sweep team is back in and area is secure.
F	S-3	2012	All Golf Company night activities are set in position at (AT 990575).
G	S-3	2050	Received SPOT REPORT 242035H.
S-3	Regt	2100	SPOT REPORT A - Golf Company B - 242035H C - FR: 982564 EN: AT 980566

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D - Golf Company CP received 2 rounds sniper fire from vicinity as shown at above coordinates.
 E - No fire was returned as exact location of sniper was not known, and perimeter position did not want to give away position by returning fire.
 F thru N - None

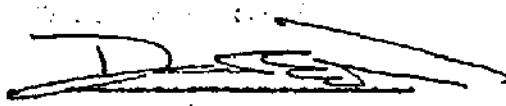
F/2	S-3	2102	All secure.
F/3/B	S-3	2103	We have reached our ambush site (BT 019626).
F/1/A	S-3	2104	Now leaving CP.
G	S-3	2104	All secure.
F	S-3	2155	F/1/A is at ambush site (BT 012633). F/1/B is at ambush site (BT 019626).
G	S-3	2156	All secure.
H, F, H&S	S-3	2208	FRAG ORDER for 25 Aug 66. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> All units conduct short range patrols and ambushes with emphasis on latter. Hotel plan to close present camp on 26 August 1966. H&S provide mine sweep/Anderson Trail security and one platoon for CP security.
H&S	S-3	2213	Lines all secure.
F, F/2, G, H & H&S	S-3	2300	All secure.
S-3	G	2300	Request report of mine incidents.
G	S-3	2301	Reference your last: Report will be sent in on resupply.
S-2	F/2	2333	Intelligence information relayed from RVN source. VC Company vicinity GS 9964. Mission is to mortar units on 24-25 August. RVN rating C/3.
H&S, G, F H & 3/L	S-3	2400	All secure.

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SYNOPSIS:

During the hours of 232000H and 240035H H&S Company manning the CP perimeter observed 1 VC in the vicinity BT 009630 by means of infra-red sniperscope. VC was taken under fire and seen to fall. A reinforced squad size patrol was dispatched with a sniper scope to locate the body. At this time more images were observed in the tree line in the same vicinity carrying what appeared to be a body. They were taken under fire with small arms and M-79 rounds. Area was searched at first light and footprints were found. At 0540H night time activities secured and daylight activities (search and clear operations, security patrols, and outposts) commenced. At 0620H Mine/security sweep of Anderson Trail to Highway # 1; completed at 0716H with negative results. At 0845H H&S security patrol in vicinity BT 028635 received one sniper round from vicinity BT 024634. Fire was not returned due to the presence of civilians in the area, however, area was searched

with negative results. At 1017H "G" Company completed sweep of area of contact (vic 982563) and located three holes with dried blood. At 1440H F/2 patrol at AT 999625 received automatic fire from an undetermined number of VC from vicinity AT 995628. Fire was returned with small arms fire and area was swept with negative results. Contact results: 4 non-med evad WIA's. At 1926H day time activities secured and night time activities (patrols/ambushes and listening posts) commenced. At 2035H Golf Company CP (AT 982564) received 2 rounds of sniper fire from vicinity AT 980568. Fire was not returned since the sniper's exact location was not known. At 2208H FRAG ORDER for 25 Aug 66 issued: All units conduct short range patrols and ambushes with emphasis on latter; Hotel plan to close present camp on 26 Aug 66; H&S provide mine sweep/Anderson Trail security and one platoon for CP security; Echo provide one platoon for CP security. There were 2 company, 3 platoon, and 3 squad search and destroy patrols, 2 platoon and 5 squad security patrols, 5 squad ambushes and 2 listening posts during the period.


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From: 250001H August 1966
To: 252400H August 1966

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
All Units	S-3	0100	All secure.
All Units	S-3	0200	All secure.
All Units	S-3	0300	All secure.
F	S-3	0358	F/1/A patrol has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0400	All secure.
H&S	S-3	0405	All units have returned to CP.
G & H	S-3	0455	All secure.
F/2	S-3	0500	F/2 all secure.
H&S	S-3	0500	All secure.
H, F/2, G & H&S	S-3	0600	All secure.
H&S	S-3	0610	Mine sweep of Anderson Trail commenced.
G	S-3	0610	G/1/A has returned to CP.
F/2	S-3	0710	All secure.
H&S	S-3	0747	Road sweep of Anderson Trail is completed. Engineers have returned to CP and Trail is open.
G	S-3	0815	G/3/A departed CP.
S-3	Regt	0816	Called in Golf Company's daytime activities.
Regt	S-3	0840	Received weather report. Passed to S-2.
S-3	Regt	0840	Called in Foxrot Company's daytime activities.
G	S-3	0840	G/3/A at Gk Pt # 2 (AT 977568).
F	S-3	0841	F/2/A has left friendly lines.
F/2	S-3	0853	All secure.
E	S-3	0857	E/1/A has departed friendly lines.
S-3	F, E, & H&S	0900	Request you expedite construction of sandbagged counter mortar shelters.
F	S-3	0910	F/1/A has departed Company CP.
S-4	S-3	0912	Resupply for Golf Company at 1600H.
E	S-3	0914	E/1/A at Gk Pt # 1 (BT 023635).
S-3	S-3	0945	S-3 and C.O. are departing Bn C.P.
F/2	S-3	0950	All secure.
E	S-3	0955	E/2/A has departed friendly lines.
S-4	S-3	0957	Company H resupply now leaving friendly lines.
G	S-3	0957	G/3/A at Gk Pt # 3 (AT 900576).
S-3	S-3	1000	S-3 and C.O. at district headquarters.
F	S-3	1010	F/1/A is at Gk Pt # 1 (BT 007645), enroute to Gk Pt # 2.
H	S-3	1015	Company H has a med-evac. Marine was hit by a booby trap in back of the thigh.
H	S-3	1025	H/3 med-evac is at BT 038594, one WIA. LZ secure mark with yellow smoke. LZ control. Med-number LRR-7118 wound in back of left thigh.
G	S-3	1027	G/3/A at Gk Pt # 4 (AT 985576).
Helo	S-3	1036	Med-evac is now enroute from LZ.
S-3	H&S	1037	The bearer of this note is the village chief of THOYH TRUONG. This date he is to check and supervise the village in the clearing of brush in vicinity

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			of Anderson Trail. Answer: Major infantry sent Advisor of DILV-BAN sub-sector.
G	S-3	1043	Golf Company sent resupply message and S-4 received it.
H	S-3	1045	Med-evac is completed.
F	S-3	1046	F/1/A at Ck Pt # 2 (BT 034634).
E	S-3	1047	E/2/A at Ck Pt # 1 (BT 022622).
E	S-3	1049	Received initial SPOT REPORT from E/2/A.
G	S-3	1055	G/3/A has reached Ck Pt # 5 (AT 985566).
S-3	Regt	1055	INITIAL SPOT REPORT A - E/2/A B - 251040H C - FR: BT 023623 EN: BT 023619 D - E/2 squad size patrol received 15 to 20 rounds of automatic sniper fire from referenced coordinates. E - Squad has moved up machine gun for base of fire and area is being swept. F thru N - Negative
F	S-3	1100	F/2 all secure.
H	S-3	1115	SPOT REPORT A - H B - 251010H C - FR: BT 027594 D - H/3 while on patrol received 1 WIA as results of VC booby trap. Called for Med-evac helo. Booby trap was grenade with trip wire and delay fuze, received light sniper fire at coordinates BT 030597. E - Patrol waiting med-evac returned small arms fire on sniper. F - 0 G - 1 H thru O - None P - Called med-evac for WIA, continued mission.
F	S-3	1130	F/1/A at Ck Pt # 2 (BT 017648).
F	S-3	1130	F/2/A at Ck Pt # 2 (BT 023614).
E	S-3	1130	E/1/A at Ck Pt # 3 (BT 033628).
E	Regt	1131	Referencing Initial SPOT REPORT 251040H on E/2/A - Enemy coordinates: BT 022618 and area was swept with negative results.
H	S-3	1134	Med-Evac completed to Company H.
S-3	Regt	1135	INITIAL SPOT REPORT A - H Company B - 251010H C - FR: BT 027594 EN: BT 030597 D - H/3 patrolling at above coordinates received sniper fire from vicinity BT 030597, also member of patrol tripped VC booby trap consisting of trip wire connected to VC grenade at BT 027594. E - Patrol awaited med-evac, upon completion will sweep the area and call in 81mm fire. F - 0 G - 1 (non-serious med-evac). H thru N - None

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F	S-3	1137	F/1/A at Gk Pt # 3 (BT 013640).
S-3	Regt	1156	INITIAL SPOT REPORT A - Hotel Company B - 251110H C - BT 025594 EN: BT 030594 and BT 030596 D - H/3 receiving heavy small arms fire from coordinates as listed above. E - Six 81mm HE and 1-81mm WP called in, area being swept and patrol returning small arms fire. F - None G - one (serious med-evac) H thru N - None
E	S-3	1200	E/2/A at Gk Pt # 3 (BT 018614).
G	S-3	1214	G/3/A returned to CP.
S-3	All	1215	Change TL BRAVO to BT 000630.
G	S-3	1216	G/3/B has departed CP.
F/2	S-3	1237	F/2 reports receiving sniper fire at their position AT 998629 from AT 993624.
S-3	Regt	1238	INITIAL SPOT REPORT A - F Company (F/2) B - 251240H C - AT 998629 FR: AT 993624 D - F/2 patrol at above coordinates received sporadic fire from referenced coordinates. E - Patrol returning fire and sweeping area. F/1/A returned to CP; F/3/B is departing CP. G/3/B at Gk Pt # 1 (AT 986560). 81's received sniper fire rounds from vicinity GS 6398, Reported 3 rounds at OP at D sector on an AZ of 260° south of its position. Requested fire mission at AT 994626. G/3/B at Gk Pt # 2 (AT 993560). Request Med-Evac for E/1/A at coordinates BT 029621. (Serious.) Mission fired. Received SPOT REPORT from E/1/A.
F	S-3	1244	FINAL SPOT REPORT A - 2/1 B - 251315H C - FR: BT 015628 D - 2/1 CP received 10 sniper rounds from unknown location to the west of CP area. E - Sniper's exact location unknown and fire was not returned. General area is being kept under close surveillance. F thru N - None.
G	S-3	1301	
Arty	S-3	1301	
H&S	S-3	1305	
F/2	S-3	1317	
G	S-3	1320	
E	S-3	1326	
Arty	S-3	1326	
E	S-3	1330	
S-3	Regt	1335	
F/2	S-3	1345	Requested to know if friendly patrol is in their area. Reported that F/3/B was.
S-3	Regt	1347	INITIAL SPOT REPORT A - E/1/A B - 251315H C - FR: BT 029621 EN: BT 029619

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			D - Received automatic fire from above coordinates.
			E - Small arms fire was returned and sniper area is now being swept.
			F - 0
			G - 1 (stomach wound - received mod-ovac)
			H thru N - Negative
Air	S-3	1347	Mod-ovac now airborne for E/1/A.
F/2	S-3	1352	Requested mod-ovac for 1-man at BT 002628, LZ secure.
F/2	S-3	1400	Bo advised TL BRAVO is BT 0063.
F/2	S-3	1411	Mod-ovac completed.
E	S-3	1412	E/1/A at Gk Pt # 6 (BT 010624).
S-3	F/2	1416	Request information to complete SPOT REPORT.
S-3	Regt	1417	FINAL SPOT REPORT A - Echo Company B - 251420H C - Ref: 251315H - E/1/A SPOT REPORT D - None E - Snipers area was swept with negative results. Mod-ovac completed. F thru N - None
S-3	F,G,H	1420	Muster all men to be FA-1 fired at BCG bunker today at 1445H.
			H&E & E
G	S-3	1430	G/3/B Gk Pt # 3 (AT 997565).
F	S-3	1431	F/3/B Gk Pt # 2 (BT 000627).
E	S-3	1436	E/2/A has returned to friendly lines.
E	S-3	1454	E/1/A has returned to friendly lines.
ARVN	S-3	1500	Request permission to fire at coordinates BT 006644.
ADVS			Permission granted. Target is 1 Plat VC.
G	S-3	1505	G/3/B Gk Pt # 4 (AT 992564).
G	S-3	1509	G/3/B Gk Pt # 5 (AT 987566).
F/2	S-3	1510	Received SPOT REPORT F/2 251235H.
S-3	Regt	1519	FINAL SPOT REPORT A - Foxrot Company F/2 B - 251235H C - FR: AT 998628 EN: AT 994628 D - F/2/B moving at above coordinates received small arms fire from enemy at above coordinates. E - Small arms fire was returned and an 81mm mortar mission was called consisting of 10-81mm HE rounds. Area was swept with negative results. F - None G - 1 WIA (minor - mod evac at 1411H). H thru N - None.
G	S-3	1540	G/3/B returned to CP.
F	S-3	1545	F/3/B Gk Pt # 3 (BT 00617).
F/2	S-3	1607	All secure.
F	S-3	1650	F/3/B returned to CP.
F/2	S-3	1700	E/2 and B/2/A have departed CP.
F/2	S-3	1701	F/2 all secure.
H	S-4	1708	Received resupply request from Hotel Company.
Arty	S-3	1719	81mm mortars's received sniper fire from the southeast (vic BT 025625).

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E	S-3	1735	E/2 has checked into Bn TAC Net.
S-3	G	1805	Artillery mission called in GS BT 9855.
MT	S-3	1820	All vehicles have returned to Bn CP and road security has returned to CP.
E	S-3	1835	The two units that went out with the Executive Officer have returned to Bn Cp.
F/2	S-3	1845	Emergency Med-evac at LT 990642.
Air	S-3	1846	Med-evac holes are enroute to F/2 position.
H&S	S-3	1850	Road security has arrived their CP.
9th Mar	S-3	1900	At AT 992593 - 25 VC heading in a SSE direction are now being fired upon by artillery.
F/2	S-3	1909	Med-evac hole fired upon friendly troops at F/2 position. Negative casualties.
F/2	S-3	1920	Med-evac completed.
H	S-3	1936	Change in night time activities for 25 Aug = H/3/A redesignated H/1/A and H/3/B redesignated as H/2/A.
H	S-3	1940	Request mine detector on resupply tomorrow.
S-3	Rcgt	1941	Change in night time activities for 25 August has been called in.
G	S-3	1941	G/1/A has been cancelled.
S-3	Rcgt	1942	G/1/A has been cancelled.
All Units	S-3	2000	All secure.
H	S-3	2040	H/1/A and H/2/A have departed CP.
E/L	S-3	2045	E/L/2A departed friendly lines at 2000H.
E	S-3	2047	E/2/A has departed friendly lines.
E	S-3	2055	E/2/B has departed friendly lines.
H	S-3	2100	All secure.
S-3	G	2100	WARNING ORDER for 25 August 1966.

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1. Be prepared to close your present camp and move to new location in general vicinity W-1 Area. Additional operating area would be Z-1 and Z-2.
2. R-1, R-2 and U-1 areas to be designated free fire zones. This adjustment in line with revised concept and Bn mission: to defend and operate from population base.
3. Request you determine requirements to make move. Also estimate length of time required.

H	S-3	2100	H/1/A at Ck Pt # 1 (027580).
E/L	S-3	2105	Be advised:

1 unidentified Bn of VC hard Corps reported to us by sector part of this Battalion located vic BT 002602, the other part at BT 005606 also 1 company VC Hard Corps located vic BT 026605. Also one undetermined unit - local force located vic BT 061628, more details to be sent in by resupply tomorrow.

H	S-3	2115	H/1/A and H/2/A in night time position - H/1/A (BT 027580 and H/2/A at BT 018573).
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H	S-3	2145	All secure.
G	S-3	2202	E/2/A in position (BT 010634). E/2/B Ck Pt # 1 (BT 016620).

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
All Units S-3		2300	All secure.
All Units S-3		2400	All secure.

SYNOPSIS:

25 August: Mine sweep of Anderson Trail to junction Highway # 1/sweep completed at 0747H with negative results. At 1010H one member of H/3 activated a VC booby trapped grenade at coordinates BT 037594 resulting in 1 U.S. WIA. H/3 began receiving light sniper fire from vicinity BT 030594 while awaiting the arrival of med-evac hole; patrol returned fire with small arms and 81mm mortars and the VC broke contact in an unknown direction. A search of the area was conducted with negative results and the med-evac was completed without incident. At 1040H E/2/A patrol at BT 023623 received 15-20 rounds of sniper fire from the vicinity BT 022618; fire was returned with semi and automatic fire. VC broke contact in an unknown direction and area was swept with negative results. At 1110H H/3 at BT 025594 received heavy small arms fire resulting in 1 WIA from the vicinity BT 030594 and BT 030596. 81mm mortar mission was called and the area was swept with negative results. At 1240H F/2 patrol at AT 998629 received sniper fire from the vicinity AT 993624. Small arms fire was returned and sniper fire ceased. Area was swept with negative results. At 1315H 2/1 CP (BT 015628) received 10 rounds of sniper fire from an unknown direction; fire was not returned since the sniper's position was not known. At 1315H E/1/A patrol at BT 029621 received automatic fire resulting in 1 WIA from the vicinity BT 029619. Small arms fire was returned and the area was swept with negative results. At 1719H 81mm mortar section located in the Bn CP at BT 015628 received sniper fire from the southeast vicinity BT 025625; all units were alerted. At 2100H Warning Order was issued to Golf Company: Be prepared to move present camp to new vicinity W-1 area. There were 3 platoon and 3 squad search and destroy patrols, 3 platoon and 3 squad security patrols, 3 squad ambushes and 2 listening posts during the period.

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From: 260001H August 1966
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FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE
E/2/L	S-3	0035	All secure but negative contact with E/2/B patrol.
H	S-3	0042	All secure
E/L	S-3	0043	All secure
F/2	S-3	0047	All secure
E	S-3	0050	All secure
H&S	S-3	0116	All secure
E/2/L	S-3	0130	All secure but negative contact with E/2/B.
E/L	S-3	0147	All secure
H	S-3	0150	All secure
G,F/2	S-3	0150	All secure
H&S	S-3	0206	All secure
All units	S-3	0300	All secure
H&S, G, H	S-3	0400	All secure
E	S-3	0401	Negative contact with E/2/A and E/2/B
F/2	S-3	0406	All secure
E	S-3	0410	E Company made contact with E/2/A, negative contact with E/2/A.
E/L	S-3	0422	All secure
E	S-3	0430	E/2/A all secure, negative contact with E/2/B.
H	S-3	0450	All secure
G	S-3	0451	All secure
F/2	S-3	0456	All secure
H&S	S-3	0510	All secure
S-3	All units	0526	<p>Frag Order for 26 August</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. All units continue patrolling/ambush - ing activity. 2. Patrols and ambushes approved as submitted. 3. H&S provide Anderson Trail security and (1 platoon) for CP security. 4. Fox trot provide 1 platoon for CP security.
F/2, E/L, G	S-3	0548	All secure
H&S	S-3	0607	Lines all secure and sweep team left Company CP.
B	S-3	0608	E/2/B returned to friendly lines, E/2/A left ambush site.
E	S-3	0616	E/2/A returned to friendly lines.
F/2	S-3	0655	F/2 all secure
Engr	S-3	0740	The road sweep of Anderson Trail to Highway #1 has been completed.

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S-3	ALL Units	0743	Request all day and night activities for 27 August ASAP.
S-3	F/2	0744	Request F/2 planned day and night activities for 27 August.
H	S-3	0805	H/2 at Ck Pt # 1 at BT 035574.
E/L	S-3	0810	E/L/1/A patrol commenced at 0730H.
S-3	Rogt	0823	At 251630 received a report that school in vicinity BT 013647 received numerous mortar rounds. Medical assistance was rendered by this command and a reinforced squad was dispatched to the area. One dud mortar round was discovered buried to the fins, by the school. EOD will dispose of dud this morning. Mortar rounds were not fired by this command. District has been notified and is checking on possible solution to identity of the firing unit.
Rogt	S-3	0845	Major KEITH is on his way to 2/1 CP.
S-3	E	0845	Request to know if E/2/A has left their CP yet - ANS: Negative
S-3	F	0855	Request to know if F/3/A has left their CP yet - left at 0830H.
F/2	S-3	0855	F/2 has departed their CP.
E/L	S-3	0900	Be advised city activities for 26 Aug has been recalled. 15 men on standby to escort convoy from BT 043620 down route 1 to BT 065572.
G	S-3	0915	G/2 at Ck Pt # 3 - BT 001578.
G	S-3	0921	G/2 at Ck Pt # 4 - BT 008577.
S-3	Rogt	0935	Change patrol E/2/A to E/2 times 1000 to 1630 (Same Route), change E/2/B TO to 1200, TOR to 1700 (same route as planned). Hotel Company resupply column should reach your position sometime this afternoon. Request you provide security for it on route to Golf Companies position. Suggest security be dropped off at OTTER splash point to prevent placing of mines. If there is a change, will notify you. There is a possibility of hole resupply. Called in an addition to E/3 patrol for a search and destroy activity.
S-3	Rogt	1000	F/3/A ck pt # 1 (BT 013619)
F	S-3	1000	E/3 patrol has departed friendly lines.
E	S-3	1005	Have 1 small child with mother with sores on legs and hands possibly leprosy.
E/L	S-3	1005	Advise as to treatment. Have administered 900,000 units of penicillin.
E	S-3	1015	E/3 patrol has departed friendly lines.
F	S-3	1045	F/3/A patrol at Ck Pt # 2 (BT 003629).

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E	S-3	1045	Echo Company's security team going with EOD team which will be controlled by Echo Company. Security will be called E/C. Will advise of progress.
H	S-3	1045	H/2 at Ck Pt # 3 (BT 020568).
F/2	S-3	1100	All secure.
E	S-3	1100	E/3 at destination (BT 018638).
E	S-3	1100	E/C has departed CP (EOD team security).
S-3	E	1150	Request to know if the ambush going for the sniper has gone?
E	S-3	1155	The E/2 patrol going today is a recon patrol for the ambush set up in the near future.
F/2	S-3	1200	All secure.
S-3	Rgt	1215	SPOT REPORT A - F B - 261115H C - FR: BT 004626 EN: BT 007623 D - F/3/A observed two VC at referenced coordinates. E - VC was taken under small arms fire and area was swept. Blood traces were found. F thru I - None J - 1 VC WIA (Probably) K thru N - None H/3 patrol leaving CP. F/3/A has returned to Bn area. SPOT REPORT L - E B - 261220H C - BT 013615 D - E/1/A moving southwest at above location tripped a booby trap of unknown type. E - Patrol continuing F - None G - 1 (very slightly - continuing with patrol). H thru N - None F/1/B patrol is now departing friendly lines. All secure. F/2/A patrol has returned to friendly lines. Mortar fire on school was fired by unit to your northeast. They claim that they cleared this fire with U.S.M.C. E/3 patrol has returned to Company CP. At approximately 251500H 1st ARVN Regiment requested to fire at a VC unit at BT 005-644. Clearance was given by this command.
H	S-3	1230	
F	S-3	1232	
S-3	Rgt	1235	
E	S-3	1250	
F/2	S-3	1250	
ARVN	S-3	1305	
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H	S-3	1315	H/3 at Ck Pt # 1 (BT 038584)
S-3	Rgt	1317	SPOT REPORT A - E B - 261245H C - FR: BT 014615 EN: BT 018616 D - E/1 patrol moving at above location received auto and semi-automatic fire from referenced coordinates. E - One squad enveloped area while base of fire consisting of small arms and 15 rounds of 60mm mortar and 2 rounds of M-79 was laid down. Area was swept with negative results. F thru N - None
G	S-3	1325	G/2 patrol has returned to company CP.
S-3	Rgt	1342	Cancel E/2/B patrol for 26 August.
F	S-3	1345	F/1/B patrol at Ck Pt # 1 (BT 038643).
S-3	G & H	1357	Thrust line DELTA compromised at 252100Z. New Thrust line DELTA (BT 010570).
S-3	E/1	1505	Be on the lookout at your sickcall for a Vietnamese male, 15-20 years old with gun shot wound. If found, hold and notify this CP.
F	S-3	1506	F/2 patrol all secure.
F	S-3	1600	F/1/B patrol at Ck Pt # 2 (BT 013652).
F	S-3	1650	F/1/B has returned to CP.
S-3	Rgt	1700	SPOT REPORT A - 1st Plat, Echo Company B - 261455H C - FR: BT 016614 EN: 014614 D - Received 200 rounds automatic weapons fire from referenced coordinates. E - Returned fire with 4 M-79, 80 M-60, and 20 7.62 rounds, setup a base of fire and gained fire superiority. Enveloped enemy position with one squad. Enemy broke contact and area was swept and revealed no enemy troops or other unusual activity. Continued mission. F - None G - 1 (superficial) H thru N - None
F/2	S-3	1715	F/2 all secure.
E	S-3	1730	E/1 has returned to friendly lines.
H/S	S-3	1745	All units are in CP area; road security team is returning to CP.
F/2	S-3	1800	All secure.
S-3	F	1805	Cancel F/1/A morning patrol of the 27th going south of Bn CP.
H	S-3	1808	Hotel daylight activities secure.
S-3	E	1819	The new TL DELTA is BT 010570.

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H&S	S-3	1820	Road security team has returned to CP.
Supply	S-3	1831	Ceased function fire.
S-3	H&S	1832	Notified H&S of patrol activities going on around Bn CP.
S-3	Rgt	1835	FINAL SPOT REPORT A - Echo Company B - 261625H C - BT 010619 D - Found one M16A1 "Bouncing Betty" mine with three pronged pressure firing devices above ground at above coordinates. E - Mine was rendered safe and returned to Bn CP. F thru M - None N - 1 M16A1 anti-personnel mine
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H	S-3	1848	
F/2	S-3	1855	F/2 all secure.
G	S-3	1856	All secure.
S-3	E, F, G H & H&S	1905	FRAG ORDER for 27 August. 1. All units patrol and ambush within assigned areas. 2. Patrols and ambushes previously submitted - approved. 3. H&S provide Anderson Trail security and 1 platoon for CP security.
H	S-3	1933	Received night time activities.
F	S-3	1934	F/3/B departed CP.
E/L	S-3	1940	E/L/1/A and E/L/1/B departed friendly lines
S-3	Rgt	1948	Called in tonight's additional LP's for 26 August: H/2/A and H/3/A.
F	S-3	1958	F/1/A patrol departed CP.
F/2	S-3	2000	All secure.
H	S-3	2001	Received resupply request from Hotel Company. Passed on to Hotel Roar.
H	S-3	2003	H/2/A all secure.
G	S-3	2004	All Golf Company night activities in position. G/3/A at AT 983559.
H	S-3	2050	All secure.
F/2	S-3	2043	All secure.
G	S-3	2100	All secure.
H	S-3	2105	H/1/B has arrived at night time position (BT 026584).
F	S-3	2110	All secure.
E	S-3	2125	E/3/A all secure, negative contact.
F	S-3	2146	All secure.
F/2	S-3	2147	All secure.
H	S-3	2152	All secure.
E	S-3	2245	E/3/A all secure.
E/L	S-3	2245	All secure.
H&S	S-3	2253	All secure.

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G	S-3	2300	All secure.
F/2	S-3	2306	All secure.
H&S	S-3	2326	All secure.
E SECURE	S-3	2336	E/3/A all secure.
E/L	S-3	2349	All secure.
All Units	S-3	2400	All secure.

SYNOPSIS:

26 August - At 0526H FRAG ORDER for 26 August issued: All units continue patrolling/ambushing activities; H&S and F Company provide 1 platoon for CP security. Mine sweep of Anderson Trail completed at 0740H with negative results. At 0655H all night time activities secured and daylight (search and clear/security patrols and outposts) commenced. At 1115H E/3/A patrol observed 2 VC at BT 007623; VC were taken under fire with small arms and area was searched. Blood was found throughout the area. Results: 1 VC WIA (probable). At 1220H F/1/A patrol at BT 01261 moving southwest, tripped a booby trap of an unknown nature resulting in 1 U.S. WIA (non-med evac). At 1245H E/1 patrol received semi and automatic fire from an unknown number of VC in the vic BT 018616; fire was returned with all organic weapons and VC broke contact in an unknown direction; area was swept with negative results. At 1455H E/1 patrol received approximately 200 rounds of automatic fire from an unknown number of VC from the vic BT 014614; fire was returned with all organic weapons; VC broke contact and area was swept with negative results. Contact results: 1 U.S. WIA (non-med evac). At 1625H E/1 patrol found 1 M16A1 "Tomato Can" mine at BT 010619; mine was rendered inactive and returned to Bn CP. At 1905H FRAG ORDER for 27 August issued: All units continue assigned mission; H&S and F Company provide 1 platoon for CP security. At 1930H all daylight activities secured and night time (patrols/ambushes and listening posts) commenced. There were 5 platoon and 6 squad search and destroy; 3 platoon and 8 squad security patrols, 10 squad ambushes, and 2 listening posts employed.

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From: 270001H August 1966
To: 272400H August 1966

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
E/L	S-3	0024	E/L/1/A and 1/B have returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0100	All secure.
E/3/A	S-3	0230	All secure.
F	S-3	0945	All secure.
E/L	S-3	0247	All secure.
H	S-3	0253	All secure.
F/2	S-3	0255	All secure.
G	S-3	0304	All secure.
G	S-3	0356	All secure.
F/2 & G	S-3	0357	All secure.
H	S-3	0420	All secure.
H	S-3	0420	All secure.
E/L	S-3	0423	All secure.
E	S-3	0430	E/3/A patrol, all secure.
E/L	S-3	0445	All secure.
F/2	S-3	0500	All secure.
F	S-3	0500	F/3/B has returned to company CP.
H&S & G	S-3	0504	All secure.
E	S-3	0520	E/3/A patrol onroute to friendly lines.
E	S-3	0535	E/3/A patrol has now entered friendly lines.
F/2, F, H&S H&S	S-3	0600	All secure.
H&S	S-3	0615	Mine sweep/security of Anderson Trail now leaving the main gate.
G	S-3	0615	All of Golf night activities have returned to CP.
H	S-3	0623	All of Hotel night activities have returned to CP.
F/2 & G	S-3	0710	All secure.
S-3	Rogt	0730	Called into Regiment changes and additions to daytime activities: F/1/A; Add E/2; Add H/sniper/team.
H&S	S-3	0800	Anderson Trail sweep completed and Engr's have returned to CP.
F/2	S-3	0835	Received 28 August daylight activities.
S-3	E,F,G H & H&S	0843	All men going thru troop indoctrination course are to report to BOC Bunker at 0850H.
G	S-3	0851	Received 28 August daylight activities.
H	S-3	0855	H/2/A at Ck Pt # 1 (BT 039584.)
G (roar)	G	0859	Request men for mine warfare school to be sent in on resupply run today.
F/2	S-3	0910	All secure.
E	S-3	0911	E/2 patrol has departed friendly lines.

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
E/L	S-3	0913	Received day and night activities for 28 August.
H&S	S-3	0928	Road is secure.
F/2	S-3	0953	Late entry: F/2 departed on patrol at 0800.
E/L	S-3	1000	Received resupply request.
G	S-3	1000	Received request for R.T.D. of L.H.D. 7984.
H	S-3	1010	Received day activities for 27 August.
G	S-3	1025	Received resupply request. Passed to S-4.
F/2	S-3	1100	All secure.
E	S-3	1126	Fire mission requested on machinogun. Granted. (AT 999619).
S-3	E	1130	On the way - 25 rounds WP.
E	S-3	1135	Coast fire.
E	S-3	1138	Fire 10 rounds WP coordinates BT 001616. On the way.
E	S-3	1140	End of mission.
F	S-3	1147	Returned to CP.
S-3	Rgt	1200	FINAL SPOT REPORT A - Hotel Company B - 271030H C - FR: BT 015559 EN: 015556 D - H/3 and LVT crossing the river at BT 015559 saw 6 sampans at BT 015556. When personnel in sampans saw H/3, 10 VC jumped into the water and commenced swimming to the southern shore. E - Small arms were fired at swimmers and 6 sampans were sunk, after being searched with negative results. F - H: None I - 1 probanlo J thru N - None
F/2	S-3	1201	All secure.
H	S-3	1202	Resupply column departed CP.
G	S-3	1204	G/1 departed CP.
G	S-3	1210	G/1 at Ck Pt # 1 (AT 984556).
E	S-3	1216	SPOT REPORT from E/2 at 271130H.
E/1	S-3	1217	E/3 and E/6 actual departed friendly lines to E/2 position.
H/3	S-3	1230	H/2 at BT 052571 working with PF forces in that area. District chief and military advisor also at that location.
E/L	S-3	1245	Med-Caf: Total 112; 14 men and 38 women and 60 children. Infection 33, filth 13, worms 3, diarrhea 2, lost nail 4, eye infection 8, ear infection 2, arthritis 2, colds 10, headache 6.

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
F	S-3	1255	F/3/B has departed friendly lines.
E	S-3	1255	FINAL SPOT REPORT A - Echo Company B - 271130H C - FR: 001619 EN: 001618 D - E/2 moving south at above coordinates received 140 rounds auto and semi-automatic fire from referenced coordinates. E - Fire mission consisting of 26-81mm WP and 10-81mm HE was fired. 15 rounds M-79 and small arms were fired. Area was swept with negative results and area will be kept under surveillance. F thru N - None.
F/2	S-3	1312	All secure.
H&S	S-3	1315	All secure; checked out tunnels at coordinates (BT 022636) on Anderson Trail. Negative results.
G	S-3	1327	Requestd mod-evac at coordinates AT 984584 two WIA. Request medical assistance.
G	S-3	1344	At coordinates AT 984584 - 2 more WIA's, not too serious.
F/3/B	S-3	1337	F/3/B is at Ck Pt # 1 (BT 020638).
G	S-3	1340	Request mod-evac emergency at coordinates AT 984584. Two WIA, L/Z marked with yellow smoke. Request medical airborne assistance. LZ secure.
G	S-3	1350	Mod-evac completed.
Noto:	S-3	1353	Function fire beginning.
F/2	S-3	1355	All secure.
H&S	S-3	1412	Road security, all secure.
G	S-3	1415	INITIAL SPOT REPORT A - Golf Company B - 271320H C - AT 984584 D - Tank meeting Golf Company resupply convoy hit a mine at above coordinates. Mine estimated 60 pounds explosive and one tread was blown off. E - None F - None G - 5 (all evacuated).
E	S-3	1420	Fire mission called at AT 999608. One round fired, will adjust. Nature of target: Sniper fire. (Mission given to 81mm mortars).
E/2	S-3	1433	Position report (BT 000611).
E/3	S-3	1433	Position report (BT 012617).
F/2	S-3	1454	All secure.
E	S-3	1501	E/2 is at (BT 002611) swept area with negative contact. Now proceeding to E/3 blocking position.

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
F	S-3	1526	F/3/B at Ck Pt # 2 (BT 017649).
H	S-3	1541	Position report H/3 combine forces, CP located at BT 047560 until further notice and liaison with popular forces. Everything going smoothly with no contact.
F/2	S-3	1554	All secure.
E	S-3	1603	E/2 has joined up with E/3; now on their way back to the CP.
F	S-3	1604	F/3/B has reached Ck Pt # 3 (BT 000638).
E	S-3	1620	E/2 and E/3 now entering their CP.
S-3	Regt	1632	Position report.
G	S-3	1639	Golf resupply coming into CP.
E/L	S-3	1642	They have a Vietnamese civilian wounded in the head severely. Would like a mod-ova Man is of military age. Will mark LZ with air panels. At coordinates BT 043620. Request medical assistance on holo.
F	S-3	1648	F/3/B has returned to CP.
H&S	S-3	1655	Truck and mto have departed CP to Division Ordnance and will returned in the morning.
F/2	S-3	1658	All secure.
Air	S-3	1705	Holo has departed to BT 043620.
E/L	S-3	1713	Mod-ovac completed. 1-HULE and 1-E34 executed mod-ovac.
H&S	S-3	1723	Main gate has a person who needs medical assistance. Requesting medic and inter- preter.
H	S-3	1730	Received P.D.S.; passed to Hotel Company.
H&S	S-3	1732	Main gate called again asking about corpman. Villagers seem to say that the person was hit by shrapnel from mortar rounds.
S-3	S-3	1800	Civil affairs officer notified of civilian casualty at gate - he is going to investi- gate incident.
H	S-3	1800	Hotel Company resupply has returned to CP.
S-3	Regt	1825	Echo company squad working with RF unit at BT 046610 had young Vietnamese civil- ian arrive at their location with shrapnel wound of unknown source. Name of male: NGUYEN VIT and he was from the village of THGNH TRUNG; Vietnamese male was mod- ovaced from Echo Company position.
S-3	Regt	1836	SPOT REPORT A - Echo Company B - 271420H C - FR: BT 000611 EN: AT 999608

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D - E/2 received sniper fire from above coordinates.
 E - Fire was returned with small arms and 8mm mission was fired. Area was swept with negative results.
 F thru N - Negative
 Road sweep detail of Anderson Trail has returned to CP.
 H&S S-3 1845
 F/2 S-3 1855
 S-3 Rogt 1855
 All secure.
 SPOT REPORT
 Golf company FINAL SPOT REPORT on 271320H
 INITIAL SPOT REPORT
 A - Golf Company
 B - 271320H
 C - AT 984584
 D - Tank enroute to Route # 14 to meet resupply column, hit a mine, estimated to contain 60 lbs of explosive at above coordinates. One tank tread was blown off.
 E - Tank was towed to Liberty Trail to tank compound, upon repair of tread, the tank then returned to Golf Company CP.
 F - None
 G - 5 (non-serious) (Med-evac completed at 1350H).
 H thru N - None.
 F/2 S-3 1904
 S-3 Rogt 1910
 All secure.
 Concerning Hotel Company's SPOT REPORT of 271030H. Personnel in sampans dumped contents of their boats into the river before abandoning their boats and swimming to southern bank.
 H S-3 1915
 Request permission to move Hotel Company CP to school house at coordinates BU 042579 on 28 August. District chief has suggested that location continued occupancy of CP and daily uncertainty of moving is interfering with operations and plans including daily resupply.
 S-3 F/2 1937
 Be advised of friendly position at AT 986629 from 272100H to 280100H.
 S-3 Rogt 1940
 Called to regiment the cancellation of H/3/A (2100-0700) and addition of H/3/A (1830-0200), H/3/B (2000-0700), E/1/A (2000-0630), E/1/B (2100-0530) and H/3/C LP.
 S-3 H&S 1945
 Called H&S company in regards to E/1/A and E/1/B patrols.
 S-3 Rogt 1950
 Sent the time of Hotel Company's movement (1000H) to regiment.

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F/2	S-3	1958	All secure.
E/L	S-3	1958	E/L/1/B and E/L/1/A are departing company CP.
G	S-3	1959	G/3/A patrol leaving CP.
G	S-3	2002	G/1/A patrol leaving Company CP.
G	S-3	2008	G/3/A is now in night time position. (AT 994575).
H	S-3	2011	H Company night activities were received by this CP.
E	S-3	2014	E/2/A now departed friendly lines.
All Units	S-3	2035	FRAG ORDER for 28 August 1966. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> All units continue assigned missions. Patrol and ambushes previously submitted approved. Hotel Company commence movement to new CP. H&S Company provide Anderson Trail security and 1 platoon CP security. Echo Company provide 1 platoon for CP security. Golf Company commence disassemble of CP area.
S-3	E	2033	Echo Company has received their FRAG ORDER for 28 August. It was picked up by a runner from Company.
S-3	F	2035	Fox Trot Company has received their FRAG ORDER for 28 August.
S-3	G & H	2035	Golf and Hotel companies acknowledged the receipt of FRAG ORDER for 28 August.
E	S-3	2036	E/1/A patrol at Ck Pt # 1 (BT 031627).
S-3	H&S	2045	H&S Company has received their FRAG ORDER for 28 August.
H	S-3	2050	Hotel Company daytime activities for 28 August cancelled, due to Hotel CP displacement.
H & F/2	S-3	2100	All secure.
E	S-3	2102	E/1/B has departed friendly lines.
E	S-3	2115	E/1/A patrol at Ck Pt # 2 (BT 030630).
S-3	H, E, F	2123	Request all companies submit each night the prior day's activities in relation to progress made with PF liaison work, people talked to, work done in assigned locations, and combined operations.
E	S-3	2145	E/1/B patrol at Ck Pt # 1 (BT 021623).
G, F/2 & H	S-3	2200	All secure.
Rogt 14	S-3	2230	No recon flights tomorrow, but there will be hold's for 29th recon flight.
E	S-3	2245	Patrols E/1/A and E/1/B are all secure.
G, F/2, H&S	S-3	2300	All secure.
H and E/L	S-3		
E	S-3	2340	Patrols E/1/A and E/1/B are all secure.

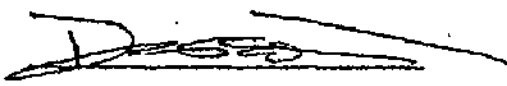
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FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
E/L	S-3	2340	E/L/L/B returned to CP.
E/L	S-3	2357	E/L/L/B returned to CP.
G, H&S, F/2 H	S-3	2400	All secure.

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27 August - All night time activities returned to respective CP's at 0623H and daylight (search and clear/security patrols and outposts) commenced. Mine sweep of Anderson Trail completed at 0800H. At 1030H H/3 patrol in an LVT crossing the river at BT 015559 sighted 5 sampans at BT 015556; 10 VC sighted jumping into the river after discarding equipment into river. VC were taken under fire with small arms and sampans were sunk after a thorough search was conducted; results of contact 1 VC KIA (probable). At 1130H Echo Company located at BT 000611 received approximately 140 rounds of machinegun fire from vicinity AT 999619; fire was returned with small arms and 80mm mortar fire mission. Area was swept with negative results. At 1320H a tank meeting Golf Company's resupply convoy struck a mine at coordinates AT 984584; mine estimated to contain 60 lbs of explosives. Results were tank tread blown off and 5 U.S. KIA's which were med-evacuated at 1350H. At 1420H Echo Company at coordinates BT 000611 received semi and automatic weapons fire from vicinity AT 999608; fire was returned with small arms and an 81mm mortar fire mission. Area was swept with negative results. At 1958H night time activities (patrols/ ambushes and listening posts) commenced and daylight activities secured. At 2035H FRAG ORDER for 28 August issued; All companies continue assigned missions. Hotel Company commence move to new CP. H&S and Echo companies provide 1 platoon for CP security; Golf Company commence disassembly of CP area. There were 2 platoon and 2 squad search and destroy patrols, 4 platoon and 5 squad security patrols, 1 platoon and 4 squad ambushes and 3 listening posts during this period.


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FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
All units	S-3	0100	All secure
All units	S-3	0200	All secure
All units	S-3	0300	All secure
All units	S-3	0400	All secure
E/L	S-3	0417	All secure
E	S-3	0443	E/1/B is departing CK PT #1
F/2	S-3	0447	All secure
H	S-3	0455	All secure
E/1/A	S-3	0502	All secure
H&S	S-3	0507	All secure
E	S-3	0512	E/1/A has just departed friendly lines.
G	S-3	0514	All secure
E	S-3	0540	E/1/A is at CK PT #3 (BT 022629)
F/2	S-3	0550	All secure
H	S-3	0552	All secure
E	S-3	0558	E/1/A and E/1/B just entered friendly lines.
E/L	S-3	0559	All secure
G	S-3	0559	All secure
H&S	S-3	0610	Lines are all secure and sweep team for Anderson Trail has just departed friendly lines.
S-3	G, H, E/L & F/2	0720	Request all day and night activities for 29 August.
S-3	G	0730	Request you submit diagram and report of mine incident to this headquarters. We must submit report with in 72 hours. Possibly it can be sent in on resupply run.
S-3	H	0800	Requested planned activities for daytime activities.
F/2	S-3	0801	All secure and F/2 patrol has departed friendly lines.
F	S-3	0806	Received planned activities for F Co, for 29 August.
Regt	S-3	0816	Received weather report.
F/2	S-3	0820	Received daytime and nighttime activities for 29 August.
F	S-3	0840	F/3/A patrol departed friendly lines.
E	S-3	0842	E/3 patrol has departed friendly lines.
H&S	S-3	0920	Report lines and route #1 all secure.
F	S-3	0954	F/1/A patrol departing Company CP.
F/2	S-3	1000	All secure

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
H	S-3	1004	H Co. command group has displaced CP, moving to new CP.
Regt	S-3	1030	SPOT REPORT A - Echo B - 280930H C - FR. 024626 EN. 028621 EN. 028625 D - E/3 moving at above location received 30 rounds of automatic fire from first onony coordinates. Two rounds of automatic fire was received from second onony coordinates. E - Returned 20 M-79 rounds and heavy volume small arms fire. F-M None L - 1 woman - 50 years old, has no ID card. N-N None
G	S-3	1045	G/3 patrol at CK PT #1 (BT 988365).
G	S-3	1058	Tanks time of departure and estimated time of return is unknown, tanks are waiting word from their CP to move.
H	S-3	1109	H Company has reached their new Co. CP.
F/2	S-3	1110	All secure
G	S-3	1110	G/3 patrol at CK PT #2 (BT 996565)
H	S-3	1114	Repl security to Highway #1, all secure.
F	S-3	1120	F/3/A patrol at CK PT #1 (AT 018618).
F	S-3	1130	F/2/A returned to Company CP.
G	S-3	1149	G/3 patrol at CK PT #3 (003365).
F	S-3	1150	F/3/A patrol at CK PT #3 (AT 006623).
F	S-3	1203	F/3/A returned to Company CP.
F/2	S-3	1205	All secure
S-3	Regt	1209	Called in to Regt activities for Hotel.
H&S	S-3	1214	Road security and posts secure.
F	S-3	1245	F/2 patrol has returned to Company CP.
S-3	Regt	1257	Sent final spot report to Regt.
H&S	S-3	1320	Road all secure.
S-3	H	1352	Request coordinates of Hotel Company and H/3 due to conflict of locations with FSGC.
Supply	S-3	1400	Function fire of H-14.
S-3	H	1405	Be advised TL CHARLIE AT 0559, TL DELTA AT 0157, TL ECHO AT 0456.
H&S	S-3	1411	Road all secure.
Supply	S-3	1412	Function fire secure.
E	S-3	1413	E/3 patrol at CK PT #3 (AT033620).
H	S-3	1415	Received H Company CP coordinates (AT 042579).
E	S-3	1421	Echo Co canceled E/2/B patrol, passed to Regt.

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FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
E	S-3	1500	E/3 at Ck Pt # 4 (BT 038627).
F/2	S-3	1502	All secure.
F	S-3	1508	F/3/B at Ck Pt # 2 (BT 001634).
H&S	S-3	1511	All secure.
H	S-3	1525	Request fire mission on VC CP at BT 050560.
H	S-3	1527	Received additional activities from Hotel 28 August.
F	S-3	1553	F/1/B patrol at CK PT #3 (BT 004628).
H	S-3	1555	Cancel mission.
H&S, F/2	S-3	1600	All secure
G	S-3	1617	Received resupply request-passed onto S-4.
H	S-3	1623	Received FDF for H Company.
F	S-3	1630	F/1/B returned to CP.
S-4	S-3	1655	Two vehicles leaving CP to get generator.
H	S-3	1703	Fire mission requested at B T 040550 (VC CP).
S-3	H	1716	Cleared to fire, on the way.
H&S	S-3	1816	All vehicles have returned to CP.
S-3	Rgt	1910	SPOT REPORT A - H B - 281400H C - FR: BT 046557 EN: BT 042553 D - H/3 received 10 rounds small arms fire from vicinity BT 042553 at 1400H. Same unit continued movement and received small arms fire from BT 042553. E - Both sniper incidents had fire returned by means of 60mm, M-72 and M-60 machinogun, results unknown. F-Q - Negative
S-3	Rgt	1915	SPOT REPORT A - H B - 281630H C - FR: BT 044579 EN: BT 042581 D - H Co CP received 6 rounds sniper fire from reference coordinates. E - Small arms fire and 60mm mission called on snipers location with good coverage; area searched negative results. F-Q - Negative
F	S-3	1937	F/1/A and F/3/A patrols have departed friendly lines.
1st ARVN	S-3	1939	1 platoon VC vicinity BT 023638; 1 VC Company vicinity BT 026605.
H	S-3	1940	Report of combined action 27-28 August. H/3 and supporting arms on 271130H landed at BT 043569. Proceed on clear and sweep operations of island. 1 platoon of PF's, district chief, and U S advisors made link-up with H/3 at 271230H. H/5 and district chief met and talked concerning action. H/3 and PF's began integration of personnel and combined night action. Several possible river CP's with 106 RR

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Planned. Night ambush patrol with combined forces were conducted with gratifying success but no contact was made. Experienced problem with resupply and LVT movement due to difficulty in finding suitable area. FF's offered help with constructions of river landing site. 28 August combined action platoon continued patrol of Island and on the job training of P.F. contact was made several times from sniper position across river. Small arms, direct fire weapons, and 81mm fire mission at 281710H returned fire. H/3 Platoon commander related exceptional cooperation thus far. H/3 continued combined operations.

S-3 H/L 2000 Request a nightly report of prior days progress with FF forces. This could include training accomplished and improvements of compound.

S-3 Regt 2000 Called to Regt the addition of Hotel LP's (two) at 1950.

S-3 F/2 2000 Called to F/2 the activity of 9th Marines in GS 9862.

F/2 Regt S-3 2000 All secure.

All units S-3 2005 Frag Order for 29 August 1966.

1. All units continue assigned mission.

2. Patrols and ambushes previously submitted approved.

3. G Co continue dismantlement of CP.

4. H&S provide security and 1 platoon for CP security.

5. F Co provide 1 platoon for CP security.

6. F Co provide 1 platoon for security of convoy going to G Co. Contact S-4 for time and place.

F S-3 2011 F/1/A at ambush site (BT 010633) and F/3 A at ambush site (BT 016621).

H S-3 2015 H/1/A has left CK PT #1.

E/L S-3 2017 Request to know if friendly troops are in vicinity of 053620 - Reply negative.

G S-3 2020 All of Golf night activities are in position. at AT 983574.

E S-3 2035 E/2/A has departed CP.

S-3 H 2045 Due to shortage of Engr, request you have Engr at your location accompany convoy to G Company position tomorrow. Reply - will do.

E/L S-3 2045 Be advised activity for 29 August, E/L/A TOD CP will be delayed, will notify you when it will leave this CP.

H S-3 2045 H/3/A in nighttime position at 046558.

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE
			H/3/B in nighttime position at 046561
			H/3/C in nighttime position at 048538
			H/3/D in nighttime position at 052558
E	S-3	2108	E/2/A patrol at CK PT #1 (B T 022637)
F	S-3	2110	F/1/A and F/3/A all secure
H&S	S-3	2110	All secure
G	S-3	2210	All secure
F	S-3	2230	All secure
E	S-3	2245	Unidentified gunship came into 2/1 TAOR - received 50 Cal. fire from BT 030620. Contact was made with gunship to verify location. E/L and District headquarters were notified - district headquarters said fire at those coordinates was permitted. Gunship departed area at this time after approximately 3 runs over BT 030620 - time of departure - 2300. Regimental artillery called and stated that gunship should leave due to H&I fire. Gunship stated that it had been cleared by our controlling agency to fly in corridor above 2/1 TAOR.
E	S-3	2335	E/2/A - All secure
H	S-3	2346	All secure
F	S-3	2350	All secure
F/2	S-3	2350	All secure
H&S	S-3	2355	All secure

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SYNOPSIS:

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S-3 JOURNAL
2nd Battalion, 1st Marines

From: 290001Z August 1966
To: 292400Z August 1966

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
S-3	Regt	0056	SPOT REPORT A - G B - 290014Z C - A T 983566 D - Observed two VC in front of lines. E - Fired four rounds of M-79, one VC fell other ran into tree line. Unit will check at first light. F - I - None. J - 1 (probable) K - M - Negative.
All units	S-3	0100	All secure
All units	S-3	0200	All secure.
All units	S-3	0300	All secure.
All units	S-3	0400	All secure.
All units	S-3	0500	All secure.
E	S-3	0530	E/2/A patrol departed Ck Pt 1 (BT 022638).
H	S-3	0535	H/1/A patrol departed night time position (BT 043576)
All units	S-3	0600	All secure.
F	S-3	0600	All units in CP.
H&S	S-3	0620	Sweep team leaving CP.
S-3	All Co's	0700	Request submit planned day and night time activities for 30 August 1966.
H	S-3	0715	Med-evac requested for 1 female WIA (BT 046561).
H	S-3	0735	E/2/A leaving CP.
H&S	S-3	0745	Anderson Trail mine sweep is all secure.
G	S-3	0756	Received G Company activities for 30 August 1966.
G	S-3	0756	In reference to SPOT REPORT 290014Z, G Company swept area with negative results.
E	S-3	0805	E/1 patrol has departed.
H	S-3	0806	On female that H Co called in for Med-Evac civilians found her tied up and VC shot her in both feet. She was brought to H Co for medical assistance.
E	S-3	0815	E/1 patrol at Ck Pt 1 (BT 021626).
S-3	Regt	0817	F/2 patrol has been cancelled.
G	S-3	0820	G/2 patrol has left CP.
H	S-3	0821	H/1/A patrol at Ck Pt 1 (BT 034573).
S-3	Regt	0906	Called the additional patrols into Regt.
E/L	S-3	0920	Are friendly troops in area of BT 040620. Reply Negative
S-3	Regt	0940	SPOT REPORT A - H Co B - 290700Z C - FR: BT 046561 D - H/3 had local civilian brought to H/3 CP at 290600Z. A female who had been shot through both feet by local VC at BT 045567. E - Female was Med-Evaced. F - O - None. P - H/3 is investigating incident. Q - Negative.

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S-3	H	0950	Due to convoys running to G Co during the next 2 days, request you have exploit force prepared to render aid. Recommend platoon size.
H	S-3	0958	In regards to last routine, H Co will have platoon size force on stand-by, be advised this will curtail some of our activities.
G	S-3	1000	G/2 patrol at Ck Pt 1 (BT 993579).
H	S-3	1001	H/2/A patrol at Ck Pt 2 (BT 033579).
G	S-3	1020	G/2 patrol at Ck Pt 2 (BT 005567).
S-3	Regt	1025	Called to regt the addition of H/1/A patrol
H	S-3	1026	H/2/A patrol at Ck Pt 3 (BT 038570).
S-3	Regt	1045	SPOT REPORT (Initial) A - E Co B - 290900H C - FR; BT 020626 LN: BT 029620 D - E/1 fired upon by automatic weapons from above coord. Received approximately 50 - 60 rounds. E - Returned fire with 8 M-79 rounds, heavy volume of machine gun fire and 81mm mortar missions are being called in, prior to sweeping the area. F-N - Negative.
S-3	Regt	1109	Called to Regt F/1 addition.
S-3	Regt	1113	SPOT REPORT A - F Co B - 291000H C - FR; BT 013612 LN: BT 013609 D - F/1 was fired upon by VC above coord. Received 80-100 rounds. E - Returned fire with small arms, M-60 M.G. and 4 M-79 rounds. Area swept with negative results. F-N - Negative.
H	S-3	1115	H/2/A patrol has returned.
F	S-3	1116	F/1 patrol at Ck Pt 1 (BT 016617).
G	S-3	1145	G/2 has returned to CP with vehicles.
F	S-3	1149	F/1 patrol at Ck Pt 2 (BT 011610).
H&S/2	S-3	1205	Have a broken down mule on Anderson Trail; request H&S have a mite come to tow it back to CP.
E/L	S-3	1315	Med-Evac request for Vietnamese girl wounded in leg.
S-3	Regt	1340	SPOT REPORT A - H Co B - 291012H C - BT 046556 D - H/3 received sniper from BT 043556 from an estimated 4 or 5 VC. E - 81mm mortar mission called and small arms fire returned. Results unknown due to sniper being across SONG DIEN BINH F-N - Negative.
H	S-3	1342	H/1/A patrol at Ck Pt 2 (BT 027570).
F	S-3	1344	F/1 patrol request Med-Evac, not serious, WIA (BT 003612) LZ secure, mark with yellow smoke. Man has bullet wound.
14	S-3	1355	Med-Evac for F/1 completed for 1 serious and 1 walking WIA.

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S-3	Regt	1425	SPOT REPORT (FINAL)
			A - B Co
			B - 290930H-291115H
			C - FR: BT 030619 EN: BT 028619
			D - E/1 moving south received heavy auto and small arms fire from above camp.
			E - Called 81mm mortar missions and used organic 60mm mortars on enemy position. Swept VC position and received continued heavy automatic fire from south of river vic BT 030619. 81mm mortar and artillery missions were called in on enemy position. Due to extraction of wounded and obstacle of the river. Results unknown.
			F - None.
			G - Four (2 serious, Med-Evaced at 1230; 2 minor, returned to Bn CP).
			H-Q - Negative.
S-3	Regt	1450	SPOT REPORT
			A - F Co
			B - 291310H
			C - FR: BT 003610 EN: BT 003609
			D - E/1 was fired on by small arms and .50 Cal from referenced coords south of river.
			E - Returned fire with 25 7.62 and 4 M-79 rounds. Med-Evac was called for wounded upon completion of incident. Med-Evac completed at 1355H and unit continued patrol.
			F - None.
			G - 2 (1 serious and 1 non-serious).
			H-Q - Negative.
H	S-3	1500	SPOT/PROGRESS REPORT
			A - H Co
			B - 291200H
			C - BT 042579
			D - At 0845H a platoon of PF's accompanied by local census official made liaison with H Co road CP at H Co CP and began screening indigenous personnel using Route 14 ID checks continue. Approximately 1145H when entourage departed.
			E - Unknown
			F-N - Negative.
			O - Due to language barrier and confusion caused by company resupply, the mission of the PF's and officials was not determined until they had almost completed.
			P - Will attempt closer liaison with district and local cadre
			Q - Negative.
E/L	S-3	1550	Change Med-Evac request of 1315H to emergency status; girl in shock.
F	S-3	1558	F/1 patrol has returned.
H	S-3	1600	Received night activities for H/3 for 29 August 1966.
S-3	Regt	1630	SPOT REPORT
			A - H Co
			B - 291500H
			C - BT 046561
			D - H/3 received 2 rounds sniper fire at resupply helo from vic BT 043556.

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S-3	H, E/L G	2015	Request your submit nightly information gained on prior days patrols. This to include village activities and presence of VC fortifications if any. This to be included on our daily SITREP.
S-3	G	2018	Due to need for security on Route 14 and tank trail to your position, request you leave security along route as you sweep to bridge to prevent mines being laid after sweeping. Convoy will leave this location at 0815H.
S-3	G	2020	Need name of leader of mine sweep conducted this morning. Names of mine detector operators type and serial number of detector and setting of detectors ASAP.
E	S-3	2020	E/3/A patrol at Ck Pt 1 (BT 022625).
E	S-3	2025	E/3/B patrol has departed.
H	S-3	2027	Report of combined action from 281700-291200 August 1966. 1. H/3 and PF's conducted night patrols/ambushes and listening posts on 28 Aug and day patrols on 29 Aug and sniper fire was received and returned as previously reported. 2. Political. H/3 platoon commander met with the PF platoon commander. The hamlet chief and various other officials at approximately 0900H 29 Aug. Afterwards H/3 attended a political meeting of most of the people in this hamlet. 3. Training. H/3 and PF's platoon commander plan more formal training to commence 31 Aug. Training thus far has been limited to on the job training due to nature of operation. 4. Medical. H/3 renders medical attention to approximately 50 children and 36 adults with limited equipment. 1 female was Med-Evaced with wound in both feet as previously reported. 5. H/3 extremely optimistic for future pacification and combined plans. Hamlet people are preparing him a local list at this time.
E/L	S-3	2053	Security for Med-Cap treatment. 1 hour long English language class for PF's. Med-Evaced small Vietnamese girl with gunshot wound in left leg. 2 hour map reading class. Road security no contact with VC.
G	S-3	2057	Regards to last routine: leader-HALEY, operator-DAZACKY ROBATO. Serial No of mine detector 577247762. Type of detector-metaliz P158. Setting on low.
G	S-3	2100	SITREP for G Co patrol 29 Aug: 1. No enemy fortifications were found. 2. 3 civilians were encountered, 2 old women and a 7 year old girl. The two women had ID cards.
All units	S-3	2100	All secure.
S-3	H	2116	Convoy going to G Co requires engineers from your location again.
E	S-3	2117	E/3/B patrol at ambush site (AT 024636).
All units	S-3	2200	All secure.
S-3	Info	2221	H Co will provide security for the road sweep from H Co GP to approximately BT 012568 and then F Co will continue the rest of the way to the G Co CP.
All units	S-3	2300	All secure.
All units	S-3	2400	All secure.

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			E - No fire returned due to sniper's position unknown. Resupply completed without further incident.
S-3	Regt 1640		F-N - Negative. SPOT REPORT A - F Co B - 291425H C - BT 003609 D - Reconnaissance helo with F Co C.O. flying above referenced coord received approximately 25 rounds small arms fire, but received no hits. E - Helo surveyed area but saw no activity. F-N - Negative.
H	S-3	1647	H/2/A and H/3/A patrols have returned.
H&S	S-3	1730	All vehicles are back in OP area.
H&S	S-3	1815	Road security of Anderson Trail are coming in to Bn CP.
S-3	Regt	1825	Additional night activities called in.
S-4	S-3	1845	All vehicles in except one that will stay the night in DA NANG
S-3	Regt	1846	SPOT REPORT A - 2/1 motor transport convoy B - 291100H C - AT 992578 D - Truck resupply convoy enroute to G Co had mine explode approximately 10 feet behind 4th truck in convoy at above coordinates. Mine believed to contain 25 pounds explosive and believed to have been detonated electronically. E - area was searched; no trace of wire was located. No trucks were damaged. F-N - Negative.
51st ARVN	S-3	1830	51st ARVN Regt requested mission to fire at coordinates BP 007654 and BT 007650 at VC position; permission was granted Requested them not to fire below grid line 65.
NOTE		1900	Alert drill sounded.
X.O.	S-3	1910	All positions have not reported in.
X.O.	S-3	1930	All positions have reported in. Request permission to secure the drill; permission granted.
S-3	Comm	1932	Called switchboard and told them to notify all units that alert is secured.
S-3	E, F H&S	1943	FRAG ORDER for 30 August 1966. 1. All units continue assigned mission. 2. Patrols and ambushes previously submitted approved. 3. G Co continue dismantlement of CP. 4. H&S Co provide Anderson Trail security and 1 platoon for CP security. 5. F Co provide 1 platoon for CP security. 6. F Co provide 1 platoon of convoy going to G Co.
H&S	S-3	1958	H&S lines saw a .50 Cal M.G. shooting 1500 to 1700 meters in front of them.
All units	S-3	2000	all secure.
E/L	S-3	2003	E/L-1-4 has departed Ci.
3	S-3	2010	E/3/.. has departed Ci.

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SYNOPSIS:

29 August - At 0014H G Company CP lines (AT 983566) observed 2 VC in front of perimeter lines; 4 rounds of M-79 were fired and 1 VC was soon to fall; the other ran into the treeline. A search of the area was conducted at first light with negative results. Contact results; 1 VC MIA (probable). At 0600H night time activities secured and daylight activities (search and clear/security patrol and outposts) commenced. Mine sweep of Anderson Trail completed at 0745H with negative results. At 0700H H/3 (BT 046561) requested a mod-ovac for 1 Vietnamese female who was shot by the local VC at vicinity BT 045567; Vietnamese was mod-ovac at 073H. At 0900H E/1 at BT 020626 was fired upon by automatic weapons from vicinity BT 029620. Fire was returned with 8 M-79 rounds, a heavy volume of machine gun fire and 81mm mortar mission was called. A sweep of the area was conducted with negative results. Between the hours of 0930H - 1115H E/1 moving south received heavy automatic and small arm fire at BT 030619 from vicinity BT 028619. Patrol called for an 81mm mortars in addition to all organic weapons. Swept VC position and continued receiving heavy automatic fire from across the river vicinity BT 030617. 81mm mortar and artillery missions were called on the area. Due to extraction of wounded and obstacle of the river, results were unknown. At 1000H F/1 at BT 013612 received 80-100 rounds of small arms fire from 3 VC in the vicinity BT 013609; fire was returned with small arms, 1-60 and 4 M-79 rounds. Area was swept with negative results. At 1010H H/3 at BT 046556 received sniper fire from estimated 4-5 VC from vicinity BT 043556. An 81mm mortar fire mission was called and fire was returned with small fire. Results are unknown due to sniper being across the SONG DION BINH river. At 1100H as the resupply convoy to Golf company was passing AT 992578 a mine exploded after the 4th truck. It was believed to contain 25 pounds of explosive and detonated electrically. Area was swept and no trace of wire was located. No damage occurred to truck or personnel. At 1310H F/1 at BT 003610 was fired upon by 30 Cal and small arms fire from vicinity BT 003609. Fire was returned with 4 M-79 rounds and 24 7.62mm rounds. Mod-ovac was called for 2 U.S. MIA. Upon completion of Mod-ovac patrol continued mission. At 1425H Foxrot Company reported a recon hole at BT 003609 received approximately 25 rounds small arms fire; hole surveyed area with negative results. At 1500H H/3 at (BT 046561) received 2 rounds of sniper fire at resupply hole from vicinity BT 043556. No fire was returned due to lack of firm target. Resupply was completed without further incident. At 1825H all daylight activities secured and nighttime activities (patrols/ambushes and listening posts) commenced. At 1943H FRAG ORDER for 30 August was issued: all units continued assigned mission; H&S and F Companies provide 1 platoon for CP security; G Company continue dismantlement of CP; Foxrot Company provide 1 platoon for security of resupply convoy to Golf Company. There were 3 platoon and 4 squad search and destroy patrols, 3 platoon and 6 squad security patrols, 5 ambushes and 2 listening post during this period.

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2nd Battalion, 1st Marines

From: 300001R August 1966
To: 302400H August 1966

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
All units	S-3	0100	All secure.
All units	S-3	0200	All secure.
9thMar FSCC	S-3	0225	Discovered that 9th Marines was carrying out a fire mission at AT 996614. Informed Regt that the mission was in our TACR.
All units	S-3	0300	All secure.
All units	S-3	0400	All secure.
All units	S-3	0500	All secure.
E	S-3	0535	E/3/A patrol has returned.
E	S-3	0545	E/3/B patrol has returned.
All units	S-3	0600	All secure.
H&S	S-3	0610	Sweep team has departed CP.
H&S	S-3	0728	Sweep team has returned, OP set up, road is clear.
F-2	S-3	0750	Med evac request: AT 994645, LZ secure, no airborne medical assist, yellow smoke, priority request.
H and G	S-3	0800	All night activities have returned to respective CP's.
F-2	S-3	0810	F/2 med-evac completed.
F	S-3	0810	F/1 providing security for G Company and has departed CP.
E	S-3	0820	E Company departed CP.
H	S-3	0820	H/1/A in position along Route 14 to provide security for resupply to G and H Companies.
F	S-3	0824	F/3 departed Bn CP.
S-3	Regt	0830	Add patrols H/1/A and H/3/A to today's activities.
E	S-3	0852	E Co patrol at Ck Pt 1 (BT 017638).
S-3	Regt	0900	SPOT REPORT A - F Co B - 300715H C - AT 998637 D - F/2/C patrol moving at above coords had member step on punji stick. E - Man med evacuated at 0810H and patrol continued mission. F - None. G - 1 H-N - Negative
S-3	Regt	0921	SPOT REPORT A - H&S Co B - 300840H C - BT 032642 D - Road security at above coordinates received several sniper rounds. E - Fire was not returned due to not knowing sniper's location. Area being closely surveyed. F-N - Negative
S	S-3	0950	E Co patrol at Ck Pt 2 (BT 023647).
G	S-3	1108	All is moving well. Should leave this CP around 1500H.
E	S-3	1153	E Company patrol at Ck Pt 3 (BT 026636).

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Air T/C	S-3	1150	Air T/C has an AO on station. AO directed to observe area GS 0061 and the cover area GS 9655, 9956, 9857, 9957, 9858, and 9958.
Air	S-3	1200	Switching AO over to G Co control.
F	S-3	1208	F/2 patrol returned to CP
S-3	E/L	1220	Request you cancel night activities planned for 31 Aug due to 2/1 activities in area GS 0362. Advise this station when activities have been cancelled.
E/L	S-3	1222	Activities for 31 Aug have been cancelled.
Comm	S-3	1229	Wire team is on way to HA DONG Bridge.
E	S-3	1244	E Co is at Ck Pt 4 (BT 029630).
Comm	S-3	1252	Wire team mission accomplished, now on their way to CP.
Ottors	S-3	1258	Ottors departed 2/1 CP with convoy to G Co.
Comm	S-3	1337	Wire team is back in the Bn CP.
Ottors	S-3	1340	Now leaving G Co CP on their way back to Bn CP.
Ottors	S-3	1412	Now back in Bn CP.
S-4	S-3	1425	Armor requested to test fire three M-14 rifles. Granted
E	S-3	1437	E Co is now at Ck Pt 5 (BT 028621).
S-4	S-3	1439	Test fire secured.
E	S-3	1500	Requested 61's to fire WP round at BT 031616.
E	S-3	1506	Requested 61's to fire WP round at BT 030617, nature of target: heavy automatic weapons fire.
61's	S-3	1514	61's now firing for effect at BT 030617.
61's	S-3	1521	End of mission.
S-3	Regt 3	1535	SPOT REPORT

A - E Co
 B - 301500H
 C - FR: BT 030620 EN: BT 030617
 D - E Co patrol received semi and automatic fire from above coordinates.
 E - E Co returned approximately 100 rounds small arms 10-60mm mortar rounds and called a 61mm mortar mission.
 F-N - Negative

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S-3	Regt 3	1625	Called to Regt the addition of E/2/L patrol and H Co LP's.
S-3	G	1630	Make use of all supporting arms on the exodus to the Bn CP.
E	S-3	1636	E Co at Ck Pt 6 (BT 039628).
1/9	S-3	1653	Spotted 50 to 75 VC dressed in grey and black uniforms, mostly grey; believed to be Hard Corps, all carrying weapons at AT 985616 moving from south to north. They were cleared to be fired on. Will advise.
E/L	S-3	1715	Have man with fever and shakes history of same for 24 hours case resembles Malaria. Please advise B/S temperature 103 to 104.5.
S-3	Info	1717	Med-ovae is made up for man in E/L with air panels, green smoke. (priority).
9th Air FSCC	S-3	1720	Sighted at 1400H with gray uniforms in groups of 2-3 at AT 995615 heading in a NE direction towards AT 995625.
G	S-3	1722	G Co has left their CP.
1/9	S-3	1725	At 1700 sighted approximately 30 VC in column with packs and uniforms moving to north side of bridge west of railroad tracks.
1/9	S-3	1730	VC proceeding north to AT 995625.

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G	S-3	1740	G Co is moving.
AO	S-3	1740	AO has the VC in sight.
G	S-3	1750	G Co is in route to CP.
arty	S-3	1615	Firing mission; on the way.
S-3	81's	1820	Calling mission with 81mm mortars.
H&S	S-3	1821	Be advised that approximately 3 rounds of 81's or arty landed approximately 200 meters in front of D sector at an azimuth of 230 degrees.
H&S	S-3	1826	On the way via AT 996615 81's.
F/2	S-3	1830	Reported approximately 20 Vietnamese suspects at BT 009629.
E/L	S-3	1832	Late entry for 1820; Med-evac completed for E/L Martin.
#	S-3	1833	E/L/A patrol for 30 Aug cancelled.
S-3	81's	1840	Mission requested on 20 Vietnamese bodies at BT 000615.
81's	S-3	1847	On the way.
81's	S-3	1850	Mission complete; 60 rounds were fired at BT 000615.
F	S-3	1852	F/1 vehicle heading towards Bn CP.
S-3	Regt	1903	Be advised we have 1 platoon standing by to exploit fire mission.
F/2	S-3	1915	F/2 OP's moving to CP; G Co linking up with H Co and leaving.
G	S-3	1917	Damaged truck at H Co CP.
ME	S-3	1920	All vehicles in Bn CP.
S-3	E	1925	E Co notified of cancellation of E/L/A patrol by S-3.
E/L	S-3	1927	Treated by Med Cap; 10007 people. Fortifying hard backs buildings. Gave 1 hour class on M-26 grenade. Med-evac'd 1 Marine with possible malaria.
S-3	Regt 3	1935	Cancel F/3/B patrol for 30 Aug.
S-3	H&S	1945	Request to know if G Co convoy has passed intersection of Highway #1 and Anderson Trail. Reply: Negative.
S-3	G	1948	Request to know where you are. Reply at ARVN road block at E/L position.
S-3	Info	1945	Arrangements have been made by the S-3 that the G Co convoy be unmolested by the ARVN road block and pick up the Anderson Trail security as the G Co convoy moves in.
E	S-3	1955	E Co position report at BT 038632.
S-3	Regt 3	1957	Cancel G/2/A and 3 LP's.
S-3	Regt 3	2005	Called to Regt the addition of H/3/A 302000-310730 and LP H/3/B.
H&S	S-3	2030	All vehicles are in.
G	S-3	2020	G Co has returned to Bn CP
E/L	S-3	2035	Have man in commo, request Med-evac. Temperature of 105.
S-3	Regt	2036	Final SPOT REPORT E - Fire mission of 84 81mm mortars was fired effect on target was good and enemy firing ceased. Area was not swept due to enemy position south of SING THINH QUIT additional note: first fire received by E Co included what was estimated to be a rocket of some sort or 57mm RR round
H	S-3	2040	Received H Co day and night activities.
E/L	S-3	2103	Med-evac has been completed.

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
S-3	all units	2115	FRAG ORDER for 31 August. 1. Echo continue assigned mission. 2. Foxtrot provide 1 platoon for CP security. 3. Golf Bn reserve. 4. Hotel continue assigned mission. 5. H&S provide Anderson Trail security and 1 platoon for CP security.
F	S-3	2120	F/1/A patrol has departed friendly lines.
H	S-3	2130	H Company night activities are in position.
E/L	S-3	2145	All secure
H	S-3	2025	Report of Combined Action 291700H - 301700H 1. H/3 and PF conducted joint night patrol, ambush and listening post's in 29 August and day patrol on 30 August with negative contact with the VC. 2. H/3 platoon Commander with PF Commander and village chief conducted a search of a VCS house on 301045 and found what appeared to be a VC Log Book and paper. PF platoon commander and Village chief apprehended a female VCS for questioning. Female indicated to the PF that the VC may return to the village at 301800H. 4. H CP assisted in limited road block check of the western position of H CP. IF at road check point and Vietnamese corpsman indicated that Hotel CP should be prepared for a mortar attack from the VC tonight. U.S. Army District advisor made call concerning operations. 5. H/3 reports cooperation and intend to begin active training of PF's on 31 August.
All units	S-3	2200	All secure
E	S-3	2200	E Company has a LP at (031631).
S-3	Rgt	2240	SPOT REPORT .. - 2/1 B - 301815H C - FR: 013628 EN: AT 996615 D - At 1700H received information from 9th Marines that VC wearing gray uniforms in groups of 2 or 3 carrying packs and weapons were observed in vicinity of at 995615 heading in northeast direction. 9th Marines had been observing them since 1630H and had requested clearance to fire, which had been granted received. Additional position reports from 1/9 as to VC group of approximately 100 at AT 995625. Up to this time although cleared to fire, 1/9 had not fired;

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FROM TO TIME MESSAGES

At 1805R, 2/1 took fire mission from 1/9 and commenced artillery and 81mm fire. E - 2/1 commenced artillery fire in area VC last located, bounded by coord LT 999627, 000262 000618, and 997618. Fired 81mm mission starting at BT 000615 scorching and traversing north towards coord. BT 002623. 41 - 105 rounds and 84 - 81 HE rounds were fired. After first artillery barrage, F/2 at Hu DONG bridge reported a body of 20 Vietnamese moving from coord 000624 towards 009629, F/2 at this time also noted group of Vietnamese moving from hamlet at BT 008639 towards hamlet at BT 001635. Smoke was observed at first fallage after people left. A platoon at 2/1 CP was alerted at commencement of fire mission to provide an exploit force. 1/9 FSCC was then contacted as to if out of our fire was observed to be right on last observed position of VC and had covered area well in depth. Due to darkness and scattering of VC units, no units were dispatched but all 2/1 units were alerted to this VC activity. As mentioned as smoking after daylight, Vietnamese was not fired upon and cause of smoke was unknown.

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All units S-3 2200 All secure
S-3 Regt 2330 SPOT REPORT

- A - E
- B - 302235H
- C - 038632
- D - 2 VC approached of Echo Company patrol base perimeter. Friendly forces opened fire with 30 rounds M-14.
- E - Both VC observed to fall, area will be checked at first light.
- F-H - None
- I - 1 probable
- J - 1 probable
- K-N - None


All units S-3 2400 All secure

SYNOPSIS:

30 August - At 0610: mine sweep of Anderson Trail to junction of Highway #1 commenced; completed with negative results. At 0715: F/2 patrol moving in vicinity LT 998637 had one member of patrol step on punji stick. Man was med-evaced and patrol continued assigned mission. At 0800: all night time activities ceased and daylight activities began. At 0840: road security for Anderson Trail received several sniper rounds from BT 032642; fire was not returned due to unknown position of sniper.

Area is under close surveillance. At 1500H Echo Company patrol in vicinity BT 030620 received auto and semi-automatic fire from 030617; fire was returned with approx. 100 rounds of small arms and 10-60mm mortar rounds; an 81mm mortar fire mission was called and at end of mission area was swept with negative results. At 1700H 2/1 received information from 9th Marines that uniformed VC's moving in groups of 2 or 3 were seen carrying packs and weapons in vicinity of AT 995615. It was noted that all groups were heading in northeast direction. Fire mission for 9th Marines, who could observe the VC, was cleared by 2/1. mission was never fired. Additional reports stated group of 100 VC in vicinity AT 995625. At 1805H 2/1 took over fire mission and fired artillery and 81mm mortars against VC position. Artillery and 81's expended 41-105 rds., 12-155 rds., and 84-81mm rds. on target and it was reported by 9th Marines that rounds had good effect on target at last observed position of VC. F/2 reported after barrage had ceased that 20 Vietnamese people were seen moving from smoking hamlet at coord. BT 008639 to hamlet at coord. BT 001635. Due to darkness and scattering of VC units, no friendly units were dispatched to check area, but, all 2/1 units were alerted. At 2235H Echo Company reported 2 VC's had approached to within 25 meters of their base perimeter at BT 038632. Fire was returned with 30 rds. of M-14 fire and both VC's were observed to fall; area will be checked at first light. There were 2 company, 1 platoon, and 3 squad search and destroy patrols; 2 platoon and 6 squad security patrols; and 4 listening posts during this period.

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From: 310001H August 1966
 To: 312400H August 1966

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
H&S	S-3	0030	All secure.
E	S-3	0055	Received initial SPOT REPORT.
All units	S-3	0107	All secure.
S-3	Regt	0108	FINAL SPOT REPORT A - Echo Company B - 010030H C - BT 038632 D - 1 VC seen moving across the rice paddy dike 200 meters in front of friendly lines. E - 3 M-79 rounds were fired at subject, results believed to be negative, will search area at first light. F thru N - Negative
All units	S-3	0155	All secure.
All units	S-3	0300	All secure.
All units	S-3	0400	All secure.
F	S-3	0450	F/1/A patrol returned to CP.
H&S, H, E, & F/2	S-3	0500	All secure.
F/2, H, E, & H&S	S-3	0600	All secure.
H&S	S-3	0632	Road security/mine sweep has departed CP.
F/2	S-3	0716	F/2/A patrol has departed CP.
S-3	H, F/2 & E/6	0712	Request planned day and night activities for 1 September ASAP.
F/2	S-3	0714	Planned activities for 1 September received.
H&S	S-3	0745	Sweep team in position; Anderson Trail is secure.
Comm	S-3	0754	Wire chief requested to come to the S-3 Office to arrange for security for Wire Team to fix HOT LINE to Regiment.
F/2	S-3	0800	All secure.
S-3A	S-3	0810	Departing CP enroute to Regiment.
H&S	S-3	0813	Road sweep team and lines, all secure.
E	S-3	0814	Requested results of sweep. REF: SPOT REPORT 0030H. AMS: Still sweeping the rice paddy. Patrol now following blood trail which is believed to be leading to the village.
E	S-3	0830	Echo Company's sweeping patrol reported negative results, blood trail just ended.

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S-3A	S-3	0840	Arrived at destination.
E	S-3	0844	Received FINAL SPOT REPORT.
E/L	S-3	0855	Have two marines ill; cold clammy skin, diarrhea, general discomfort, unable to perform duties. Request Bn Surgeon presence here ASAP. Unable to determine cause of disease.
E/L	S-3	0900	Because of lack of security Med-Cap will be cancelled.
H&S	S-3	0901	Anderson Trail is all secure.
Comm	S-3	0907	Wire team departing CP.
E	S-3	0914	Lost M-14 rifle; believed to be taken by villagers. A basket was left in the M-14's place. Weapon was taken from Echo Company's CP while Marine was taking a bowel movement.
S-3	Regt	0920	FINAL SPOT REPORT on Echo's INITIAL SPOT REPORT 302235H and 310030H. A - Echo Company B - 310830H C - FR: BT 037630 EN: BT 038632 D - See Initial SPOT REPORT E - Blood trails were followed 74 meters down trail at referenced coordinates. Huts along the side trail were searched, fresh digging investigated and all villagers were questioned by the PF unit leader operating with Echo Company. F thru H - Negative I - 1 probable J - 1 probable K thru N - Negative
S-3	E/L	0933	Battalion Surgeon is enroute to E/L's position with Hotel Company's resupply.
E/L	S-3	0936	Received resupply order.
E	S-3	0958	The number of the lost M-14 is 873562. Based on location of weapon and projected movement of thief, Echo company is conducting a detailed search of hamlets north and east of last night's position.
S-3A	S-3	1025	Enroute to 2/1 CP.
Comm	S-3	1026	Wire Team is now departing Middle Terminal and enroute to F/2 CP.
E	S-3	1034	General locations of units conducting the search for the stolen M-14 rifle: BT 033640, BT 040640 and BT 041649, Echo Companies CP at BT 038647.
E/2	S-3	1042	All secure.

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S-3A	S-3	1047	Have arrived at CP and checking out of the net.
H&S	S-3	1053	All secure.
Comm	S-3	1053	Wire team has arrived at F/2's CP.
F/2	S-3	1058	All secure.
F/2	S-3	1108	Patrol proceeding from Ck Pt # 4 (BT 001638).
S-3	H	1114	Request patrol status on H/1/A and 3/A.
H	S-3	1117	H/1/A is at Ck Pt 3 (BT 028584). H/3/A is at coordinates BT 044554.
H	S-3	1130	H/1/A is at Ck Pt # 4 (BT 036582).
E/L	S-3	1137	INFO: KAC-138 is now ready to be picked up.
F/2	S-3	1145	Patrol has returned to CP.
E/L	S-3	1150	Received day activities for 1 September.
F/2	S-3	1205	All secure.
H	S-3	1215	Received SPOT REPORT; Ref ^{031100H} 031100H
S-3	Regt	1230	SPOT REPORT A - Hotel Company B - 311100H C - FR: BT 028584 EN: BT 027589 D - H/1/A received sniper fire from referenced coordinates. E - Fire was returned with small arms and 4 M-79 rounds. Sniper fire ceased and patrol continued. F thru Q - None
E	S-3	1300	The location of units conducting search are as follows: BT 035646, BT 042640, and BT 042631.
F/2	S-3	1405	All secure.
F	S-3	1410	F/1/A at Ck Pt # 1 BT 009620.
S-3	H&S	1430	Starting the function fire behind motor transport.
S-3	H&S	1450	Secured function fire.
S-3	H&S	1517	Function firing a M-60 machine gun.
S-3	H&S	1535	Secured function fire of M-60.
F	S-3	1535	F/1/A at Ck Pt # 2 (BT 004627).
E	S-3	1545	Have one VC suspect identified by PF troops on patrol with platoon. Does S-3 desire to interrogate the suspect, if so they will have to furnish transportation.
S-3	E	1550	Rondevous point at BT 038632 for the interception of the suspect that is being sent for interrogation. Echo Company's patrol will take the suspect to BT 038632 to be intercepted by the ARVN Advisor, then to District Headquarters.

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H&S S-3 1600 Lines and Road security all secure.
 F/2 S-3 1605 All secure.
 Comm S-3 1620 Wire team departing F/2 CP enroute to Bn CP.
 S-3 E 1625 Echo Company is to take VCS to the PF Company. Reply - Will do.
 H S-1 1626 Received PDS for 31 August.
 F S-3 1643 F/1/A has returned to friendly lines.
 F S-3 1650 F/3 patrol has departed friendly lines.
 H&S & F/2 S-3 1700 All secure.
 F/2 S-3 1718 Be advised that 10 Vietnamese people seen working in field across the railroad tracks at AT 993635.
 Comm S-3 1729 Wire team has returned to Bn CP.
 S-3 F/2 1732 Advance toward people and observe what transpires. Fire mission ready for immediate call from F/2 position; people are at an azimuth of 140°. Received change in night activities for 31 August.
 H S-2 1814 All vehicles are in Motor Pool compound.
 H&S S-3 1821 E/1/A patrol has been cancelled.
 E S-3 1846 Road security returned to CP.
 H&S S-3 1849 Request a full explanation of rifle loss ASAP and what was done to find it.
 S-3 E 1900 This station will write a full explanation to be received by higher command.
 1/9 S-3 1920 Received night time activities.
 S-3 F/2 1930 Notified F/2 of friendly position at coordinates AT 989628.
 H S-3 2000 All secure.
 H S-3 2001 Request fire mission on a platoon of VC at coordinates BT 042553, digging in.. Mission cleared.
 F/2 S-3 2005 All secure.
 F/2 S-3 2009 Received INITIAL SPOT REPORT.
 F/2 S-3 2122 All secure.
 S-3 Regt 2135 FINAL SPOT REPORT
 A - H Co
 B - 312020H
 C - FR: BT 046500 E: BT 042553
 D - H/3 on the advice of PF Platoon Commander at their location called artillery mission of 38 105mm rounds on suspected VC platoon position at referenced coordinates.
 E - Excellent coverage of target due to target being on southside of SONG RV LAM area was not searched.
 F - Negative.

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S-3	All Co's	2134	FRAG ORDER for 1 September 1966. 1. E Company continue assigned mission modified verbally. 2. F Company continue assigned mission as modified verbally - provide 1 platoon for CP security. Be prepared to conduct night patrols vic (Bn CP). 3. G Company as Battalion Reserve. 4. H Company continue assigned mission. 5. H&S Company provide Anderson Trail security and 1 platoon for CP security.
F/2, H&S S-3	S-3 H, E	2158 2211	All secure. Request info on progress with FF work, if any. Also any significant data gained on patrols.
E	S-3	2215	Received reply: Utilized 2 FF troops per platoon today on search missions with excellent results. No significant development on patrols.
F/2	S-3	2220	Fire mission requested at AT 991638 on 3 VC at azimuth 2540.
S-3	Arty	2221	Artillery illumination requested.
E	S-3	2225	Report of lost rifle received by E/6 at or about 310915H. Circumstances surrounding disappearance are as follows: Unit was preparing to move out, there were civilians in the area, mostly children, man left weapon with no other Marines, with his weapon and moved 40 to 50 meters away to defecate. From this position he could not see his weapon nor could he observe the area around his weapon. When he returned to his position, the weapon was gone and in its place were two baskets and the shoulder pole from which the baskets are suspended. They appeared to be of the size normally carried by children. The man's search immediately enacted a search of the area. Upon notification of the missing weapon E/6 started a detailed search of the rice paddies and hamlets surrounding the position, this search extended 2000 to 2500 meters from the lost weapon point and also included checking all civilians foot traffic through and away from the area. The RF Company Cdr in the area was also notified and arrived at the scene and conducted an investigation in the area based on certain words and or names written on the shoulder pole that carried the basket. The RF Company Cdr will continue its investigation. The area rifle was lost is BT 022632.

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E/L	S-3	2226	All secure.
Arty	S-3	2233	On the way.
S-3	Arty	2250	End of mission; negative contact, LP's going back out.
H, F, E/L, F/2	S-3	2300	All secure.
H	S-3	2305	Report of combined action 301700-311700 AM. 1. PF again established a squad at the H Company CP road check point with a local census taker; PF assisted in contracting two barbers which spent the major portion of the day at H Co CP; arrangements were made for them to return weekly. NGUYEN, apparently a corpsman has established a joint sick bay with H Co senior corpsman at H Co CP. No patient have appeared at CP yet but we began advertising. 2. H/3 platoon cmdr met with village chief concerning assistance of Marines and PF as security for villagers cutting crops; has been effective. Formal training and some patrol delayed due to this action. H/3 report no new medical treatment but a check of patient indicated advice being given. Exceptance of Marines and PF's by people (unbelievable). 3. No village cadre or officials have appeared at H Co CP or if they have did not indicated themselves as such. District Army advisor explained yesterday that they are awaiting return of ARVN Company prior to County Fair activity in this area.
F, F/2, E/L	S-3	2355	All secure.
S-3	Regt	2400	SPCT REPORT A - F/2 LP B - 312200H C - AT 991638 D - LP believed they sight 3 VC approaching the company CP. E - The LP returned to CP and an illuminatio mission was called on the suspected area with negative sighting. The LP proceeded back to its location. F-N - Negative.

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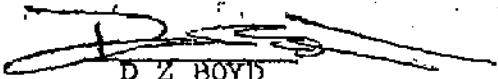
SYNOPSIS

31 August - At 0030H E Co at coord 038632 observed 1 VC moving across rice paddy diko 200 meters in front of friendly line. Fire was directed at VC with 3 M-79 rounds. Results believed to be negative but area will be checked at first light.

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At 1100H H/1/A received sniper fire from vicinity BT 027589; fire was returned with small arms and 4 K-79 rounds. Sniper fire ceased and patrol continued assigned mission. At 1718 F/2 reported 10 Vietnamese people working in field across railroad tracks at AT 993635. Since F/2 had not observed these people at this location at that particular hour before and in that immediate area numerous punji traps had been found, Bn CP instructed F/2 to dispatch a unit to advance on and observe people. Bn CP had 81's prepare fire mission to cover area of suspicious activity if investigating unit came under fire. Patrol noticed movement in tree line and 3 K-79 rounds were fired and minor injury to one Vietnamese person resulted. F/2 corpsman treated person as unit conducted thorough search of area. Although nothing suspicious was uncovered the area will remain under close surveillance throughout the night. At 2020H H/3 on advice from PF plt. commander at their position (vic 046560) requested artillery mission on suspected VC platoon at BT 042553. The mission was fired and it was reported that the 38-105 rounds had excellent coverage of target but due to target being on southside of SONG KY LAM River area was not searched for effect of barrage. There were 2 company, 1 platoon, and 4 squad search and destroy patrols; 2 platoon and 7 squad security patrols; 4 listening posts during this period.

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1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces. See special INTSUMS.

b. Friendly Forces.

- (1) 1st Bn, 1st Marines located to east.
- (2) 9th Marines to west.
- (3) One FF Company in vicinity BT 044620 and platoon vicinity BT 033637.
- (4) B Btry, 1st Bn, 11th Marines in direct support.

2. MISSION

Conduct search and clear operation in TACR making a show of force and gaining familiarity with the area.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept. See my warning order 181000H and Annex A (Operation Overlay)

b. F Company (-).

- (1) On order from present positions move north in zone searching and clearing area.
- (2) Upon reaching Phase Line GREEN, swing west (remaining north of SONG LA THO) and then north and east into Bn CP.

c. G Company.

- (1) On order move north with two platoons from present positions searching and clearing in zone.
- (2) Upon reaching Phase Line RED, pause to allow F Company to pass through area to east; then sweep east and south back to SONG KY LAM in area west of SUOI CO CA.

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d. H Company.

- (1) Provide one platoon as blocking/screening force east of SUOI CO CA.
- (2) Coordinate platoon's movement to progress of F Company.
- (3) Upon reaching SONG TAM GIAP swing east and then southwest sweeping area west of Route #1 and astride Route #14.
- (4) When moving eastward along southern bank SONG TAM GIAP be especially watchful for areas in which to establish blocking positions for subsequent operations to be conducted in the U-2 area.

e. E Company.

- (1) On 19 August commence extensive patrolling in area between Anderson Trail and SONG LA THO and SONG THANH QUIET.
- (2) Search out fording places along SONG LA THO.
- (3) On order be prepared to provide blocking force of one platoon along north bank of SONG LA THO.
- (4) Upon passage of F Company swing east to vicinity BT 019608; conduct reconnaissance of river to BT 024598 paying particular attention to fording sites and avenues of approach into U-2 area; retrace steps to BT 019608 and swing east and north to Bn CP.

f. Coordinating Instructions.

- (1) Duration. 3-5 days.
- (2) Contact right to left.
- (3) Boundaries.
 - (a) G Company - western edge Bn TAOR and railroad embankment (GL 99).
 - (b) F Company - Railroad embankment and east bank SUOI CO CA.
 - (c) H Company - S-1 and S-2 areas to east bank SUOI CO CA and north bank SONG TAM GIAP.
 - (d) E Company - W-1 and W-2 areas to south bank SONG LA THO and SONG THANH QUIET.
- (4) Phase Lines.
 - (a) Blue - trail-AT 984583 to BT 010585.
 - (b) Red - trail-AT 993597 to BT 026597

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(c) Green - SONG LA THO.

- (5) All units conduct thorough search of area, verifying ID cards, checking villages and apprehending any VCS found.
- (6) Submit hourly SIT/POSIT Report to this headquarters commencing on order.
- (7) Execute on order. D-Day will be on or about 20 August 66.
- (8) Report upon arriving Phase Lines.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

a. Supply.

- (1) Unit distribution.
- (2) Prescribed Load.
 - (a) Class I. Three (3) MCI meals and fuel, 2 canteens (filled) plus ample supply of water purification tablets and salt tablets.
 - (b) Class II. Batteries for 2 days.
 - (c) Class III. None.
 - (d) Class IV. None.
 - (e) Class V. Basic Allowance.
- (3) Uniform and Equipment. At discretion of unit commanders.
- (4) Resupply. Request for all classes by 1600H daily for the following day. First request for resupply due by 1600H on D-1. Resupply will be made approximately 1600H each day. Emergency resupply any time. The following format will be used when requesting supplies:
 - (a) Unit requesting supplies.
 - (b) Type and quantity of supplies.
 - (c) LZ coordinates and frequency for control.
 - (d) Is your landing zone secure?
 - (e) How zones will be marked.
 - (f) Desired delivery time.
 - (g) Latest time supplies can be utilized.

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b. Administration.

- (1) Personnel Daily Summaries - will be submitted to this headquarters daily by 1630H as of 1600H. The Personnel Daily Summary will contain the name, initials and rank of each Marine who becomes a casualty during the reporting period.
- (2) SRB's and Health Records will be maintained at respective company offices and the Battalion Aid Station.
- (3) Combat Casualty Cards - A Combat Casualty Card will be submitted to the S-1 by the Battalion Aid Station for each WIA and KIA.
- (4) Companies are responsible for submitting to the S-1 Combat Casualty Cards on JLN& and NBC.

c. Medical.

- (1) Battle Casualties - except for very minor injuries (which will stay with the platoon or be evacuated via helicopter to BAS), the battle casualties will be helo-evacuated direct to "C" Med Co, 3rd Med Bn, DA NANG.
- (2) Non-Battle Casualties - The seriously ill will be helo-evacuated direct to "C" Med Co, 3rd Med Bn. The non-serious will be helo-evacuated to the BAS.
- (4) Special Problems - Due to the prevalence of mosquito-borne encephalitis in the area, mosquito headnets and repellent should be carried and used religiously.

5. COMMAND/COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS.

a. Command. Bn CP vicinity BT 075627.

b. Communications-Electronics. See Bn COI.

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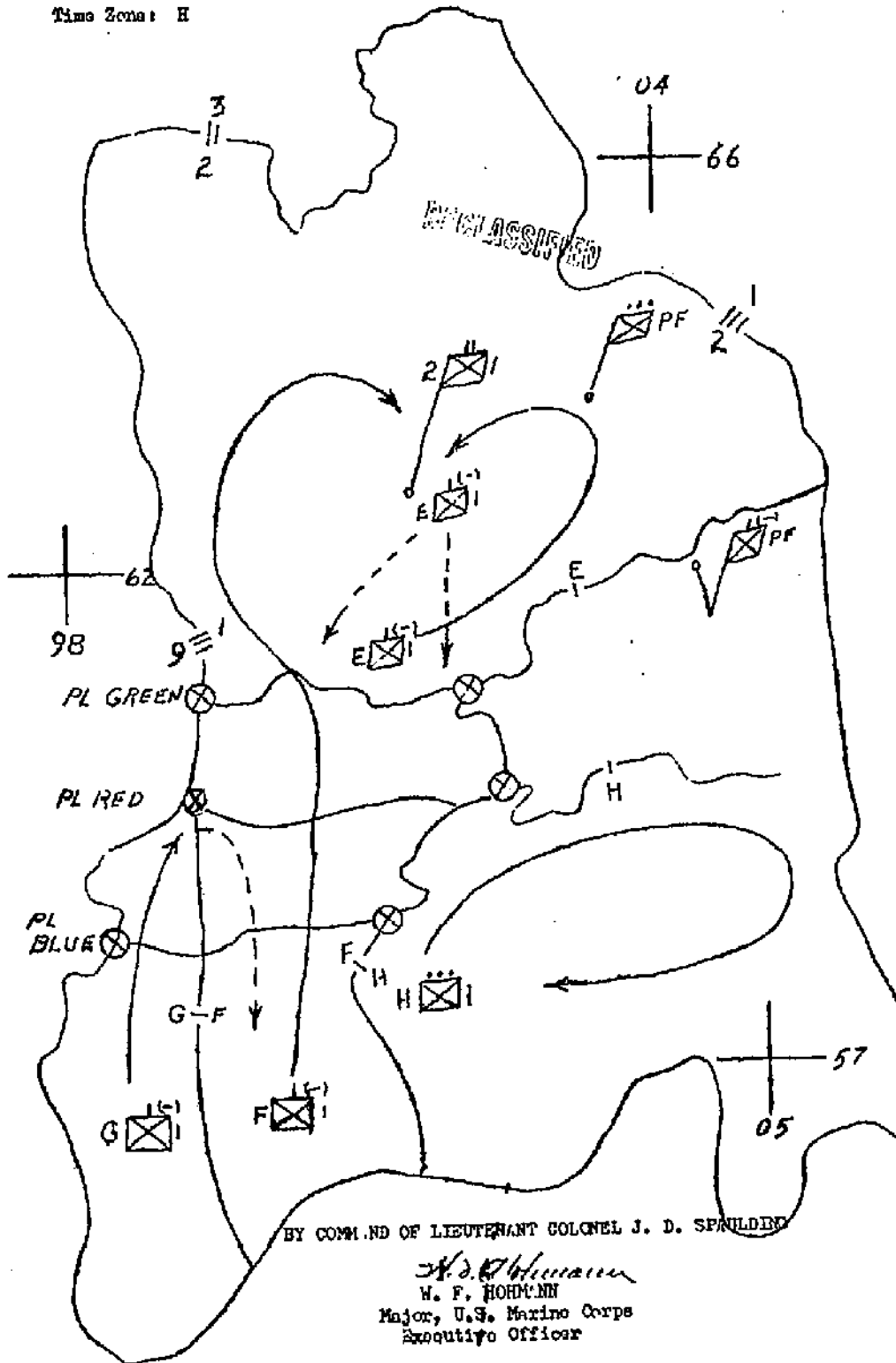
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1. Code Name. Operation SWANNEE - a security screening operation for a hydrographic survey of SONG DIEN BINH River.
2. Dates of Operation. 150830H to 180800H August 1966.
3. Location. QUANG NAM Province from vic BT 092552 to AT 990547 (on south bank) and AT 975566 (on north bank).
4. Control/Command Headquarters

1st Marines	Col B.B. MITCHELL USMC 15-17 Aug 66
	Col D.L. MALLORY USMC 18 Aug 66
2nd Bn, 1st Marines	LtCol J.D. SPAULDING USMC
Company B (-)	1stLt G.P. LEVENDIS USMC
Company F (-)	1stLt D.W. PICKERSGILL USMC
Company G	1stLt C.C. KRULAK USMC
Company H	1stLt J.B. GILES USMCR 15-16 Aug 66
	Capt D.L. WISEMAN USMC 17-18 Aug 66

5. Task Organization

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Company E

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Company G

Company H

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Element, CTF 116

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6. Supporting Forces.

a. The operation was supported by a reinforced platoon of LVT's (9 LVT-5, 1 LVT-C-1, and 4 LVT-H6), a LCM-8 with elements of CTF 116 embarked, a troop of ARVN APC's, 1/11 in direct support, and both fixed and rotary wing aircraft.

b. The LVT's proved to be completely unsuitable for an operation of this nature. There was not sufficient water in the river and the vehicles were continually being stuck on the many sandbars. The constant necessity of fixing the vehicles slowed the operation's progress to a "snails pace." On 17 August, when the survey had reached the vicinity BT 035560, it was apparent that the LVT's would experience increasing difficulty should they continue. Therefore, all but the 4 LVT-H6 were brought out of the river at this point and driven along Route 14 to the west and passed on to the 9th Marines. By remaining out of the river as much as possible and traversing the south bank, the LVT-H6's proceeded without too much difficulty on 17 August to the southern boundary via BT 000546. However, at this point one vehicle experienced mechanical difficulty and could not proceed. A lack of helicopter support made it difficult to deliver the necessary repair kits; however, when the first repair kit was delivered and emplaced, it immediately broke. After a delay of an additional day a second repair kit was delivered and installed. The 4 vehicles proceeded to cross the river from the south bank and the second repair kit broke. The vehicle was taken in tow to get it across; in the process the towing vehicle broke a track. On 21 August 1966 representatives of the AmTrac Bn came to the scene and final repairs to the vehicles were completed.

c. The LCM experienced no difficulty in moving within our TAOR and was instrumental in freeing the LVT's when they went aground.

d. The APC's negotiated the terrain very well and posed no problems what-so-ever.

e. There was no requirement to employ the available artillery support.

f. Due to the general non-availability of helicopters, it was difficult to plan for their use. Helicopter resupply of MOCAS for the LVT's was effected once without great difficulty; however, considerable difficulty was experienced in obtaining helicopters to deliver the needed repair kits. There was no requirement for fixed wing support other than observation craft.

7. Intelligence

a. ENEMY. The estimated strength of the VC in the area of operations is 200 to 400.

(1) The majority of the VC contact consisted of sniper fire from 2-3 VC.

(a) At 162015H tanks attached to Hotel observed 50 armed VC in the vicinity BT 025538 and fired 11 90mm shells with excellent coverage of target.

(b) On 17 August Foxtrot Company received ~~12~~ 12 rounds of 60mm mortar fire in the vicinity BT 031556. DECLASSIFIED

(c) Golf/3 made contact with an estimated VC squad vicinity AT 999561 on 18 August 1966.

(2) Mines encountered during the operation were comparatively few. One M16A1 "Tomato Can" mine was found by Foxtrot (vic AT 998545) on 17 August 1966. Hotel/1 located a booby-trapped 155 shell on 13 August in the vicinity BT 023571; it was blown in place.

(3) The VC normally withdrew and apparently left small units with mining and harrasing missions. The VC are capable of massing company size units and defending an area of their own choice. These units can be reinforced by the 70th Battalion which is operating south of the SONG KY LAM River. Estimated VC losses during the operation were 6 (probable) KIA.

b. TERRAIN. The area of operation is characterized by flat delta land with numerous rice paddies. Populated areas are enclosed by thick treelines. Highway 14 paralleling the SONG KY LAM River, runs east and west through the area.

8. Mission. To conduct river survey and security screening operations along SONG KY LAM River commencing 150830H August 1966 from vicinity BT 092552 to vicinity AT 998547 on south bank and vicinity AT 977566 on north bank; on order conduct security for exit of elements of CTF 116 from west to east. Coordinate and effect relief with 9th Marines on 9th Marines boundary south bank (AT 998547) and north bank (AT 977566).

9. Concept of Operation. Two companies from their semi-permanent base camps on north bank of river provide security within zone. One platoon moves by motor convoy to bridge vicinity BT 091555 to provide security for both banks at that location. One Company (-) moves by motor convoy to bridge (vic BT 091555) and proceeds to "leap frog" along south bank to provide security to the west.

10. Execution

a. 15 August - At 150830H Operation SHERMAN commenced. At 0625H F Company commenced movement from their CP (AT 999620) to Bn CP and arrived at 0706H. At 0635H H/1 and H/2 commenced movement from Company CP (BT 025567) to vicinity BT 070550 to provide north bank security in

their zone and were in position at 1010H. At 0700H E/1 and one squad of E/2 departed Bn CP by motorized convoy to vicinity BT 091555. They arrived at 0830H and relieved 1st Bn, 1st Marines. E/1 provided security on both sides of river west of the bridge to line BT 075543-081553. At 0707H G Company commenced movement by foot to new PPB's located at BT 005560, AT 990545, and AT 980560. The platoons arrived at their positions at 0850H and commenced providing security for the north bank of river from AT 977568 to BT 014559. At 0910H F Company departed Bn CP by motorized convoy to assume command of the river survey at bridge (AT 091552); they arrived at 0945H. At 0911H E/1 at bridge (BT 091552) informed 2/1 that the LCI would be delayed for approximately 1 hour due to difficulties in loading. At 1145H G/1 at AT 990546 received sniper fire from across the river via AT 995539. Platoon returned fire with small arms and 81mm mortar fire; the sniper fire ceased. At 1205H G/1 sighted the VC sniper in a tree vicinity AT 985539 and immediately took him under fire; patrol saw the sniper fall out of the tree. Results: 1 VC KIA (confirmed). At 1236H F Company C.O. at bridge (BT 091553) was directed by the Hydrographic Survey Team Commander to postpone river sweep until 160625H. At 1300H G/1 patrol began shifting to new positions in vicinity AT 983554 and were in position at 1705H. At 1930H G/2 in PPB (BT 005560) received approximately 20 rounds of sniper fire from vicinity BT 006565; an artillery mission on the suspected position (via BT 013572) was called and the firing ceased. At 2245H FRAG ORDER issued to E, F, G, and H Companies: Continue assigned mission. Hourly position reports and 6-hour SITREP's were submitted throughout the period.

d. 16 August - At 0753H G Company CP security sentry at BT 011624 sighted 4 unidentified men running from rock to rock in the vicinity of BT 015627. Sentry fired 1 warning round into the air; the men continued to conceal their movements. The sentry fired 2 rounds in their vicinity and they disappeared through the treeline. At 0853H all units were in position for security/screening of the river survey. At 0835H F Company and LVT's commenced the river survey. At 1217H an Amphrac was stuck in the middle of river at BT 043554. At 1310H F Company reported being held up for an indefinite period of time at vicinity BT 046556 due to mechanical problems and one LVT stuck on a sand bar. At 1915H E/2 with tanks attached (via BT 025538) observed 50 VC wearing mixed uniforms and helmets in the vicinity BT 025588. Tanks fired 11 90mm rounds with good coverage of target area. A sweep of the area was not conducted due to the distance involved. At 1941H FRAG ORDER for 17 August was issued: All units continue assigned security missions. At 1945H F/2 patrol (via BT 041549) sighted 1 VC in tree line and opened fire; area was searched and patrol found 1 shower shoe with blood on it; however, no body was located. At 2100H E/2 patrol (via BT 002558) received 10-12 carbine rounds from vicinity BT 021562. Tanks returned fire and the sniping ceased. At 2130H G/2 at BT 002565 received 20 rounds of small arms and 1 60mm mortar round (dud) from vicinity BT 006563. At 2150H H Company at BT 023575 received numerous sniper rounds from an unknown direction; fire was returned with small arms and 10 60mm mortar rounds; sniper fire ceased. Hourly position reports and 6-hour SITREP's were submitted throughout entire reporting period.

e. 17 August - At 0030H F Company at BT 037555 and BT 045549 received 12 rounds of 60mm mortars from vicinity BT 031556; muzzle flashes were seen and fire was returned with approximately 200 rounds of .50 Cal fire; enemy

mortaring ceased. At 0630H a helo was sent to pick up a generator for the inoperable AmTao. At 0700H H/2/B commenced sweep of Route #14 to Route #1 to rendezvous with the APC's. LCM began moving and F Company provided security for downed AmTao. At 0800H units in positions: H/1 at BT 042554; H/2 at BT 025558; H/3 at BT 045553; F/1 at BT 043560; F/3 at BT 043554; LCM at BT 042552. At 0900H units still in the same positions due to mechanical problems with one LVT. At 0822H H/2/B linked up with APC's and led them to F Company's position, arriving at 1215H. Foxrot personnel were transferred to the APC's from the LVT's which crossed the river and proceeded to Route #14. They then followed the road west toward 1/9 TAOR. However, at 1600H in the vicinity of AT 992570 one LVT lost a track when it struck a mine. No personnel casualties. At 1105H F/1 and F/3 were located in the vicinity BT 035559 and H/1 and H/3 were on the north bank (BT 032560). The LCM was at vicinity BT 030557 and LVT's at BT 035559. Located at 1700H: LCM - AT 998546; LVT's at AT 997550, and APC's at BT 006556. At 1730H one man from F Company patrol vicinity AT 999546 stepped on a punji trap and was med-evaced at 1830H. At 1805H the med-evac helo received sniper fire from BT 024579; helo returned fire with M-60 M.C. fire. Two tanks with H/3/A were dispatched to suspected area of the sniping. Two buildings suspected of harboring the snipers were destroyed by 90mm cannons. H/3/A swept the area with negative results. At 2000H FRAG ORDER for 18 August issued: F and G Companies continue with Operation SWANNEE until relieved. At 1800H F Company located 1 M16A1 "Tomato Can" anti-personnel mine in the vicinity AT 998546; mine was disarmed and forwarded to S-2. At 2210H G Company heard noises in the vicinity AT 999561 and dispatched a squad to investigate. G/2/A sighted a VC squad, called 81mm illumination and assaulted the VC with small arms. VC retreated into dense tree line. G/2/L swept area with negative results due to dense foliage. Hourly position reports and 6-hour SITREP's were throughout the period.

d. 18 August - At 0804H operational control of the LCM and the operation was passed to 9th Marines.

11. Results

a. Friendly Personnel and Equipment.

(1) The personnel strength of participating units during the operation was as follows: 9 Officers, 490 Enlisted USMC; 2 Officers - 1 Enlisted USN.

(2) Friendly casualties: 1 WIA

(3) Discipline Law and Order: No problems.

(4) Burial and Graves Registration. None.

(5) Morale: Normal.

(6) No excessive quantities of equipment were lost.

b. Enemy Personnel and Equipment. 1 VC WIA (Confirmed) and 1 VC WIA (probable).

12. Administrative Matters.

a. Logistics.

(1) No unusual logistical problems were encountered during this operation.

(2) All resupply was accomplished by helicopter, truck and OPTER.

b. Medical. No problems encountered.

c. Communications. No problems encountered.

13. Special Equipment and Techniques. None employed.

14. Commander's Analysis. None.

15. Recommendations. None.

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(b) 3rd MarDiv OpO 412-66
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Task Organization: See Annex A (Task Organization)

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1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces. See Annex B (Intelligence)

b. Friendly Forces

- (1) Fourth Marines conduct intensive recon effort and recon in force operations in the DONG HA-CAM LO operating areas to detect and prevent small scale infiltration of NVA units into QUANG TRI Province; attack and destroy NVA/VC units detected in QUANG TRI Province in coordination with ARVN forces and/or unilaterally; and provide tactical security for U.S. installations in the DONG HA area.
- (2) 1st Bn, 4th Marines provides 1 company for DONG HA airfield security, one company as reaction force, and one company at CAM LO.
- (3) 2nd Bn, 4th Marines conducts recon in force operations within operating area and maintains one company at CAM LO as security for artillery units.
- (4) 3rd Bn, 12th Marines provides direct support with two 105mm howitzer batteries reinforced with 1 platoon of 155mm howitzers at CAM LO.
- (5) 1st Force Recon Co (Roin) conducts recon operations in recon zones designated.

2. MISSION. To provide a command group and 3 rifle companies on 12-hour alert for movement by motor convoy or aircraft to operating area and subsequent commitment within the area.

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3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operation. A command group and 3 organic rifle companies will move on 12-hour notice by motor convoy or aircraft to the operating area. One company from 1st Bn, 1st Marines and another from 3rd Bn, 1st Marines will replace two companies of the 2nd Bn, 1st Marines.

b. Echo Company (Rein)

Be prepared to displace on 12-hour notice by motor convoy or aircraft to the operating area.

c. Foxtrot Company (Rein)

Be prepared to displace on 12-hour notice by motor convoy or aircraft to the operating area.

d. Golf Company (Rein)

Be prepared to displace on 12-hour notice by motor convoy or aircraft to the operating area.

e. Hotel Company (Rein)

Be prepared to assume the mission of one of the other companies. If not employed continue assigned mission.

f. H&S Company

Provide command group in accordance with Appendix I (Troop List) to Annex A (Task Organization).

g. Coordinating Instructions

(1) This order is effective for planning purposes upon receipt and will be executed on order.

(2) Fire Support Coordination. See Reference (b).

(3) Air Support. See reference (b).

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

a. Supply

(1) Unit Distribution

(2) Proscribed Load

(a) Class 1. Three MCI and fuel, 2 canteens (filled), plus ample supply of salt, malaria tablets and iodine for water purification.

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(b) Class II. Batteries for 2 days.

(c) Class III. None.

(d) Class IV. None.

(e) Class V. Basic Allowance.

(3) Uniform and Equipment. Utilities, helmet (green side out), mosquito head net, light marching pack, and normal arms. Body Armor will be taken.

(4) Resupply. Requests for all classes are due by 1600H daily for the following day. Normal resupply will be by helicopter at approximately 1600H each day; emergency resupply upon request. The following format will be used when requesting supplies:

- (a) Unit requesting supplies.
- (b) Type and quantity of supplies.
- (c) LZ coordinates and frequency for control.
- (d) Is your LZ secure?
- (e) How zones will be marked.
- (f) Desired delivery time.
- (g) Latest time supplies can be utilized.

(5) Miscellaneous. Det, En Supply will establish recovery point in vicinity LSA to collect personal effects of any casualties evacuated through LSA.

b. Administration

(1) Personnel Daily Summaries will be submitted daily by 1630H as of 1600H. The Personnel Daily Summary will contain the name, initials, and rank of each Marine who becomes a casualty during the reporting period.

(2) SRB's and Health Records will be maintained at respective company offices and the Battalion Aid Station. Be prepared to centralize them at higher headquarters on short notice.

(3) Combat Casualty Cards will be submitted to the S-1 by the Battalion Aid Station for each WIA and KIA.

(4) Companies are responsible for submitting to the S-1 Combat Casualty Cards on each WIANE and NEC.

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c. Medical

- (1) Combat Casualties will be evacuated by helicopter to the aid station, DONG HA.
- (2) Non-Combatant casualties: These will be either helo evacuated direct to DONG HA or to the 2/1 BAS based on the recommendation made to the company commander by the senior corpsman present.
- (3) This area has produced numerous malaria cases; use of the mosquito head net is encouraged. Mosquito repellent and malaria pills will be used without fail.

d. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

- a. Communications-Electronics. See Battalion Comm SOP.
- b. Command Posts. To be announced. Report any changes.

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TASK ORGANIZATION

2nd Bn, 1st Marines (Rein)

2nd Bn, 1st Marines

H&S Co (-)

Company E (Rein)

Company E
FO Tm, 81mm Mort
FO Tm, 1st Bn, 11th Mar
Det, 2nd Plat, B Co, 1st Engr Bn
Det, Med Plat

Company F (Rein)

Company F
FO Tm, 81mm Mort
FO Tm, 1st Bn, 11th Mar
Det, 2nd Plat, B Co, 1st Engr Bn
Det, Med Plat

Company G (Rein)

Company G
FO Tm, 81mm Mort
FO Tm, 1st Bn, 11th Mar
Det, 2nd Plat, B Co, 1st Engr Bn
Det, Med Plat
Sec 81mm Mort Plat

Company H (Rein)

Company H
FO Tm, 81mm Mort
Sec, 81mm Mort Plat

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FO Tm, 1st Bn, 11th Mar
Det, 2nd Plat, B Co, 1st Engr Bn
Det, Med Plat

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TROOP LIST

	<u>OFFICER</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>
Command Group	11	67
Command Section	9	40
Bn CO	(1)	
CO's Driver		(1)
S-1 Clerk		(1)
S&C Clerk		(1)
S-2	(1)	
S-2 Clerk		(1)
S-3	(1)	
Operations Chief		(1)
Draftsman		(1)
Journal Clerk		(2)
Driver		(1)
ALO	(1)	
FAC	(2)	
Radiomen		(7)
ArtyLnO	(1)	
Operations Chief		(1)
Radiomen		(3)

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S-4	(1)	
Logistics Chief		(1)
Supply Chief		(1)
Supply Man		(2)
Communications Officer	(1)	
Radio Chief		(1)
Technician		(1)
Commanding Officer's Operator		(1)
S-3 Operator		(1)
Radiomen		(5)
Wire Chief		(1)
Wiremen		(6)
81mm Mortar Platoon (-)		17
Platoon Sergeant		(1)
Section Leader		(1)
Ammunition Corporal		(1)
Radio Operator		(1)
Wireman		(1)
Squad Leader		(2)
Gunner		(2)
Assistant Gunner		(2)
Ammunition Carrier		(6)
H&S Company (-)	(1)	(4)
Headquarters Commandant	(1)	
Gunnery Sergeant		(1)
Supply Sergeant		(1)
Clerks		(2)

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Medical Platoon (M)	1	6
Battalion Surgeon	(1)	
Chief Corpsman		(1)
Corpsmen		(5)

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1. SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION

- a. General. During June and early July, the 324B NVA Division had taken up positions in the area astride Route # 9 to the west of CAM LO, after having infiltrated across the DMZ and established a series of defensive positions earlier in the year. Operation HASTINGS made significant contact causing the withdrawal of the division units back across the DMZ.
- b. Enemy Dispositions
- (1) There has been no large NVA unit movement reported in the area east or north of CAM LO (Route # 9):
- (a) Elements of the 324B NVA Division: Reliable sources indicate the re-infiltration and reoccupation of areas to the northwest of CAM LO.
- (b) 812th NVA Regiment was reported on 10 August to be located in the general vicinity of YD 045525.
- (c) One unidentified NVA Battalion was reported to be operating in the vicinity of YD 058754.
- (d) An estimated battalion (unidentified) on 14 August was reported to be in the vicinity of YD 087754 (possible element of 324B NVA Division).
- (e) Elements of the 341st Division (former 270th NVA Brigade) may presently be operating in northern QUANG TRI Province.
- (f) Reports indicate that on 8 August, an unidentified NVA regiment was located in the vicinity of YD 800500 and XD 960630.

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2. ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF INFORMATION

- a. Determine the strength, locations, identification, composition, organization, and disposition of NVA, VC Main Force and para-military forces presently operating south of the DMZ in QUANG TRI Province.
- b. Determine the location of established infiltration routes of NVA units infiltrating south through the DMZ.
- c. Determine the location, extent and type of logistic support bases.
- d. Determine whether NVA units will defend positions presently occupied. If so, to what extent, with what type units, and in what strength?
- e. Determine what the attack capability of NVA units will be. In what strength, from which direction, and what type unit(s).
- f. Determine the locations of helicopter landing sites.
- g. Determine the type(s) and location of defenses the NVA will employ in the jungle canopy.

3. RECONNAISSANCE AND OBSERVATION MISSIONS

- a. Orders to subordinate units.
 - (1) Report as obtained, information answering the Essential Elements of Information.
 - (2) The SPOT REPORT method of reporting will be utilized.
- b. Request to higher, adjacent and supporting units.
 - (1) 4th Marines
 - (a) Provide current enemy order of battle.
 - (b) Provide aerial photography in support of current operations.
 - (c) Provide latest weather data.

4. MEASURES FOR HANDLING PRISONERS, CAPTURED DOCUMENTS AND CAPTURED MATERIAL. Reference (c) applies.

5. MAPS, CHARTS, AND PHOTOGRAPHS. Reference (a) is the tactical map for this operation.
6. COUNTERINTELLIGENCE. References (b) and (c) apply.
7. REPORTS AND DISTRIBUTION. Reference (a) applies.

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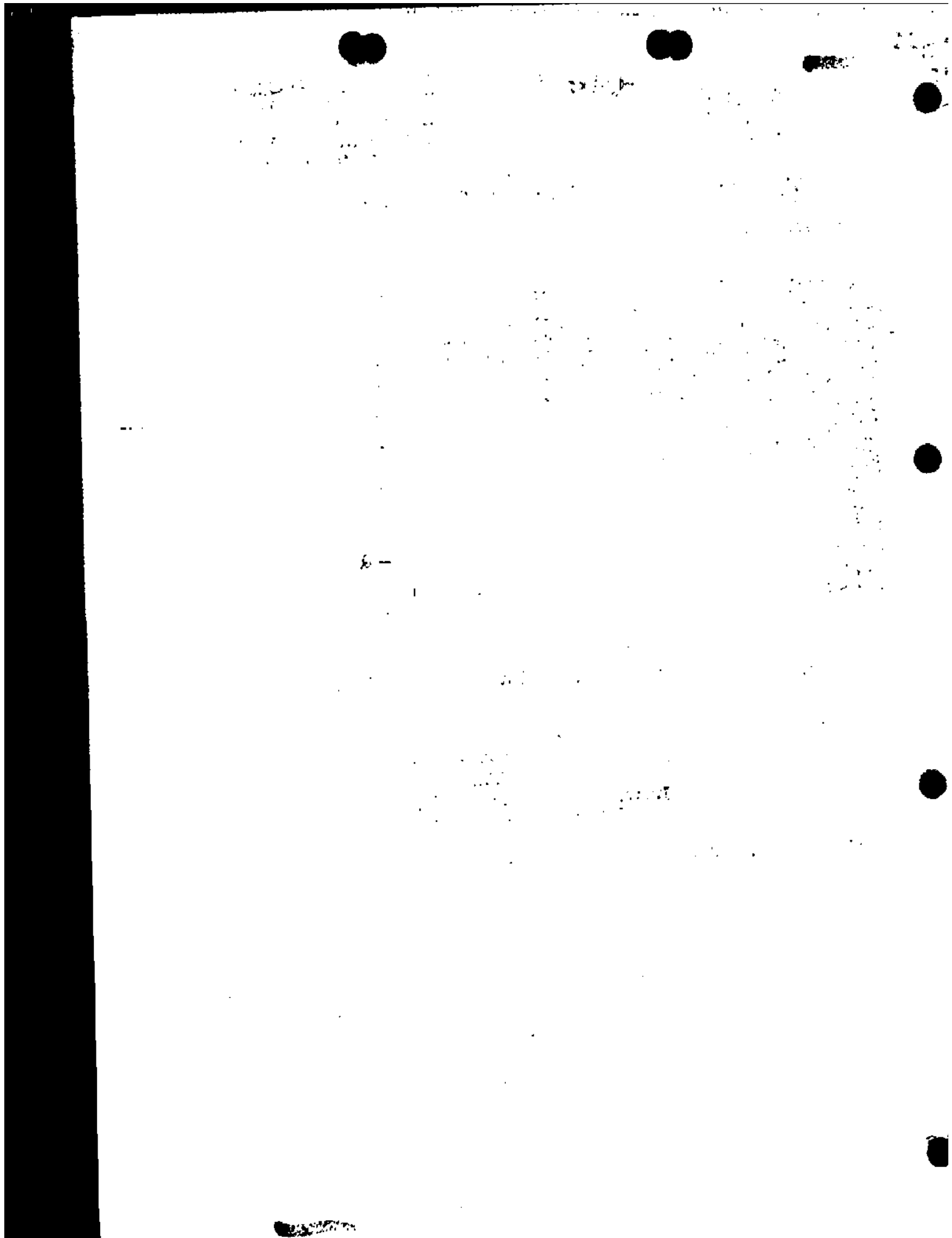
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3 Aug 1966

BATTALION ORDER 4640.1

From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: Administrative Vehicular Runs outside the Battalion Perimeter

1. Background. A recent sharp increase in local VC initiated acts of violence requires that additional precautions be taken.

2. Action. Effective immediately the following procedures and limitations are in effect:

a. Company Commanders and Staff Section Heads will ensure that personnel authorized to leave the area are granted authorization on strictly a "need to go" basis, and that all personnel departing the area for administrative purposes leave only in properly dispatched vehicles. "Hitch-hiking" and/or walkaggs are specifically prohibited.

b. The Motor Transport Officer will ensure that vehicles dispatched outside the Battalion's perimeter are not dispatched singly, and that drivers are instructed to travel in pairs or in convoy, as the case may be, at appropriate intervals on the road. He will further ensure that every vehicle dispatched contains not less than two persons, both of whom are armed, and that no vehicles are dispatched between the hours of 1630 and 0730 the following day.

c. The Headquarters and Service Company Commander will establish a checkpoint in the vicinity of the entrance road to the Battalion's perimeter. This checkpoint will be manned between the hours of 0730 and 1730 daily. Personnel posted at the checkpoint will enforce the following regulations with respect to members of this command:

(1) All personnel departing on administrative runs will be wearing a helmet and a flak jacket.

(2) At least two people will be in each vehicle.

(3) All persons in all vehicles will be armed, and at least one of them in each vehicle will be armed with a firearm other than a pistol.

(4) No less than two vehicles dispatched to the same designation will be permitted to depart at any given time.

(5) A log entry in the following format will be made on every vehicle departing the perimeter:

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Vehicle Number	Destination	Occupants	Unit	Time In	Time Out
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d. Should the senior man present on an administrative run determine that his vehicles cannot return to the Battalion perimeter by 1730, he will terminate his run at the nearest U. S. Armed Forces installation, request messing and billeting facilities as may be required for the personnel in his charge, and call the Battalion Motor Transport Dispatcher to report the whereabouts of the personnel and vehicles in his charge. Under no circumstances will he permit the vehicles to remain on the road after 1730.

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BATTALION ORDER 4640.1 Ch 1

From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: Administrative Vehicular runs outside the Battalion Perimeter


1. Purpose To promulgate pen changes to the basic order.

2. Action Make the following pen changes:

a. Paragraph 2b, line 2, after the comma, insert the words, "except for runs terminating on Anderson Trail".

b. Paragraph 2b, line 6, delete '0730' and substitute, "after the morning engineer road sweep is completed".

c. Paragraph 2c, (4) at end of sentence, add, "(except as noted in paragraph 2b, above)."


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2ND BATTALION, 1ST MARINES
1ST MARINE DIVISION (AMPHIB) MAF
P.O. SAN FRANCISCO, 96502

Bn O 8020.1
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21 August 1966

BATTALION ORDER 8020.1

From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: Storage and Control of Explosives within the Battalion Perimeter

Ref: (a) MCO 8020.1C
(b) FM 9-5
(c) TM 9-1903

Incl: (1) Company Ammunition Storage Bunker; Specifications for

1. Purpose. To set forth regulations regarding storage and control of explosives within the battalion perimeter.

2. General. The peculiarities of the terrain and weather in this area require that each unit construct storage bunkers that are both adequate in size and meet basic safety and security requirements as outlined in references (a), (b), and (c).

3. Action.

a. Using enclosure (1) as a guide, each company will construct an ammunition storage bunker at least 50 meters but not more than 75 meters from the company area. The bunker will be centrally located to be within easy access to all platoons. The entrance will be in a direction away from the living area.

b. Ammunition will remain in containers (i. e. grenades will be stored in cardboard containers and wooden boxes, 7.62mm rounds will be stored in metal containers.

c. All hand grenades will be secured with tape.

d. Only small arms ammunition will be kept in living spaces. All other types of ammunition, explosives or pyrotechnics, will be kept in the ammunition storage bunker.

e. The ammunition used for night perimeter defense will be issued from the bunker in the evening and collected in the morning daily. All unused ammunition issued for an operation or patrol will be collected upon completion of the operation or patrol. The company supply NCO will issue, collect and account for all ammunition kept in the ammunition storage bunker.

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f. Ammunition Storage Bunkers will be plainly marked and no smoking signs will be posted.

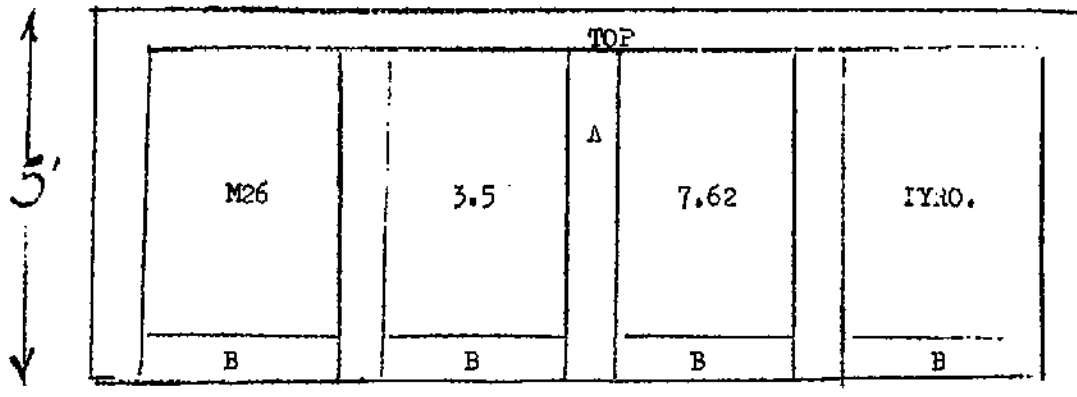
g. All ammunition handling will be accomplished outside the bunkers. No ammunition will be loaded or unloaded from their containers from inside the bunkers.

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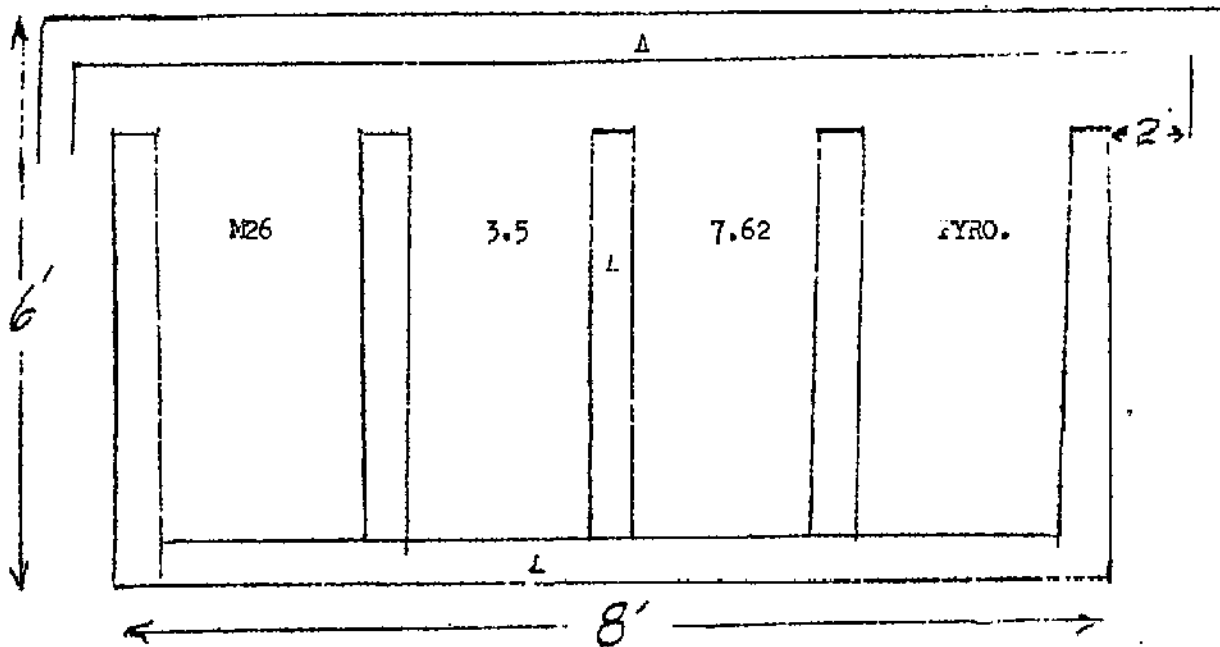
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FRONT VIEW



TOP VIEW



1. A - double row of criss-crossed sandbags
2. B - wood dock
3. TOP - double thickness of sandbags



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1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF
FPO, San Francisco, 96602

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3:MGH:mgh
16 August 1966

BATTALION BULLETIN 1540

From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: Land Mine Warfare, VC Mines and Booby Traps, and
Demolition Training; assignment of quotas

Ref: (a) 3rd MarDivO 1540.1

Encl: (1) Responsibility for providing Shotgun

1. Purpose. To set forth instructions as listed in reference (a) concerning the assignment of quotas to this unit.

2. General

a. This battalion has been assigned a quota of 25 men per day for the subject school during the period 24 August-29 September 1966.

b. This training consists of a two-day course; billeting and all Class V equipment will be furnished by 3rd Engineer Battalion.

c. Priority in assigning personnel quotas will be given in the following order (Personnel most recently arrived in country will be given preference):

- (1) Officers and Staff NCO's.
- (2) Other NCO's and fire team leaders.
- (3) All other personnel.

3. Quota Assignment. Each company is allocated a quota of five per class. Classes convene each day of the week except Saturday and Sunday.

4. Information

a. Companies will ensure all personnel attending the course have the following items in their possession:

- (1) Normal Arms.

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- (2) Helmets.
- (3) Flak jackets.
- (4) Two full canteens.
- (5) Mess gear for sergeants and below.

b. Personnel attending the course will report for transportation to the Bn S-3 (Trng NCO) at 1230 the day prior to the convening date of the course.

c. Transportation will be arranged by the Bn S-4 and will depart the Bn CP no later than 1300 Sunday-Friday for the 3rd Engr Bn School area. Monday-Friday transportation will remain at 3rd Engr Bn and return the personnel who have completed the subject course to the Bn CP. Special transportation arrangements will be made for those individuals completing the course on Saturday.

d. One shotgun for transportation will be furnished as indicated on enclosure (1).

e. Quote assignments by name are due at the S-3 no later than 5 days prior to the course-convening date.

4. Self-Cancellation, 1 October 1966.

W. F. Hohmann
W. F. HOHMANN
By direction

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RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROVIDING SHOTGUN

23 August	H&S Company
27 August	Company "E"
28 August	Company "F"
3 September	Company "G"
4 September	Company "H"
10 September	H&S Company
11 September	Company "E"
17 September	Company "F"
18 September	Company "G"
24 September	Company "H"
25 September	H&S Company
29 September	Company "E"

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25 August 1966

BATTALION BULLETIN 1540 CH #1

From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: Land Mine Warfare, VC Mines and Booby Traps, and Demolitions
Training; assignment of quotas

Ref: (a) BnBul 1540 of 16 August 1966

Encl: (1) Diagram of Scheduled Land Mine Warfare Classes

1. Purpose. To promulgate a change to reference (a).

2. Action.

a. Make the following pen changes:

(1) Para 4.c. add "consisting of two trucks" after "Transportation".

(2) Para 4.d. change to read: "Two shotguns will be provided by H&S Company on dates indicated on Enclosure (1)."

b. Detach the original Enclosure (1) and replace with the new Enclosure (1).

W. F. Hoemann
W. F. HOEMANN
By direction

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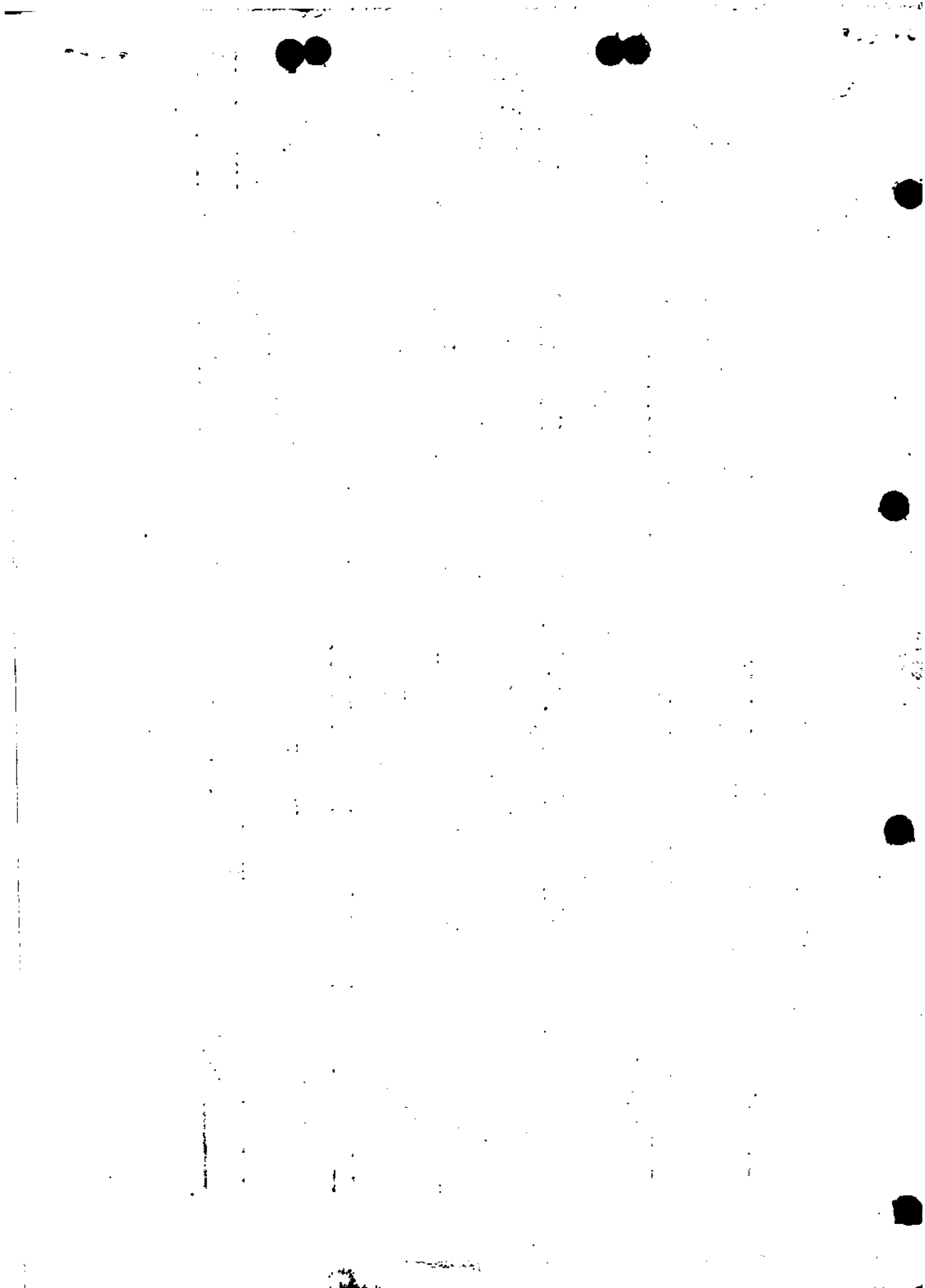


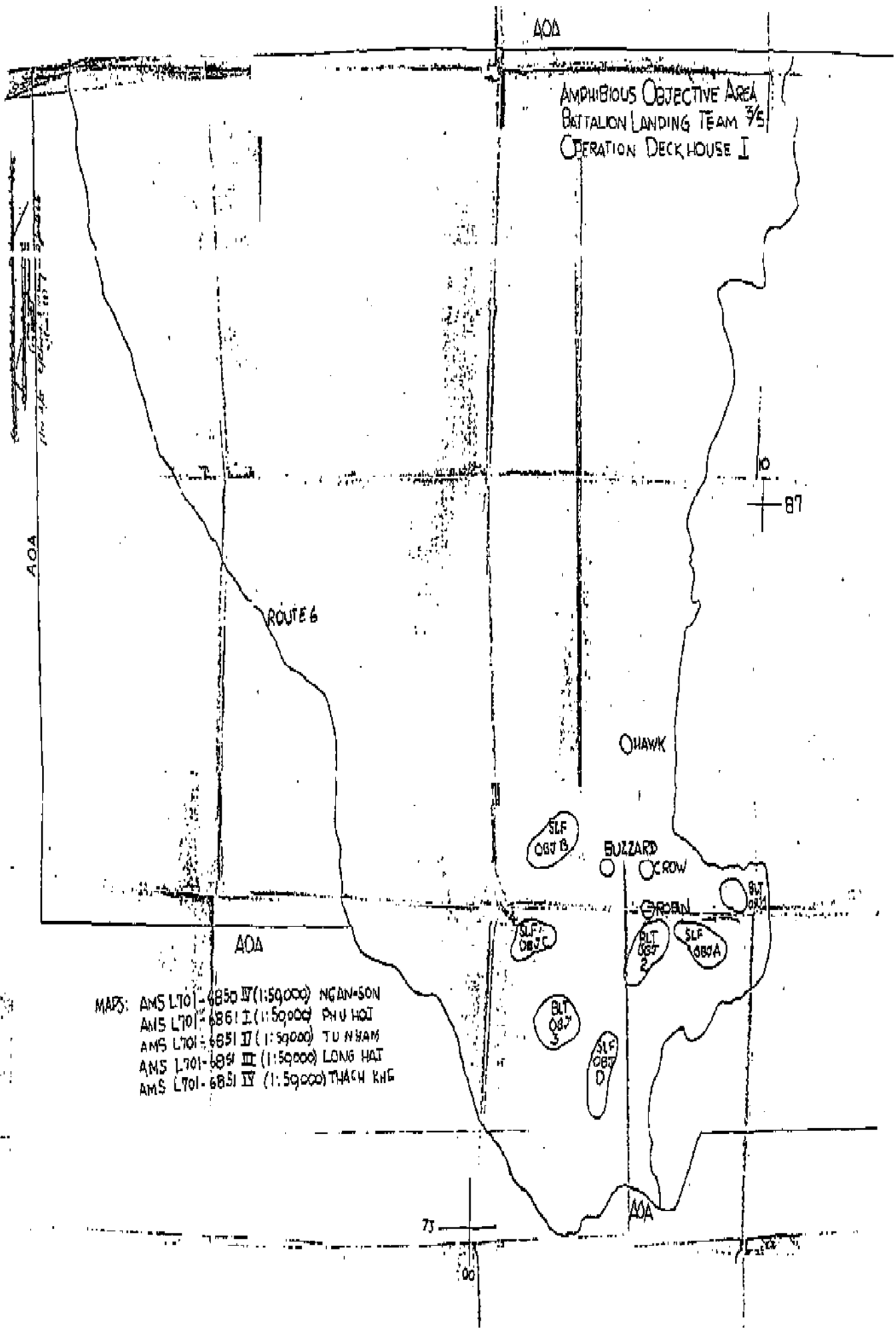
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DIAGRAM OF SCHEDULED LAND MINE WARFARE CLASSES

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28 Aug	29 Aug	30 Aug	31 Aug	1 Sept	2 Sept	3 Sept
Class 1 Go Shotguns from H&S Co		Class 2 Go Class 1 Return		Class 3 Go Class 2 Return		Class 3 Return 2 Shotguns from H&S Co
4 Sept	5 Sept	6 Sept	7 Sept	8 Sept	9 Sept	10 Sept
Class 4 Go 2 Shotguns from H&S Co		Class 5 Go Class 4 Return		Class 6 Go Class 5 Return		Class 6 Return 2 Shotguns from H&S Co
11 Sept	12 Sept	13 Sept	14 Sept	15 Sept	16 Sept	17 Sept
Class 7 Go 2 Shotguns from H&S Co		Class 8 Go Class 7 Return		Class 9 Go Class 8 Return		Class 9 Return 2 Shotguns from H&S Co
18 Sept	19 Sept	20 Sept	21 Sept	22 Sept	23 Sept	24 Sept
Class 10 Go Shotguns from H&S Co		Class 11 Go Class 10 Return		Class 12 Go Class 11 Return		Class 12 Return 2 Shotguns from H&S Co
25 Sept	26 Sept	27 Sept	28 Sept	29 Sept	30 Sept	31 Sept
Class 13 Go 2 Shotguns from H&S Co		Class 14 Go Class 13 Return		Class 14 Return		

ENCLOSURE (1)





MAPS: AMS L701-6850 IV (1:50,000) NGAN-SON
 AMS L701-6861 I (1:50,000) PHU HOI
 AMS L701-6851 II (1:50,000) TU NHAM
 AMS L701-6852 III (1:50,000) LONG HAT
 AMS L701-6853 IV (1:50,000) THACH KHE