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Section I

Organizational Data

1. Reporting Unit: Second Battalion, 1st Marines
2. Command Post: DANANG, RVN (BT 015627)
3. Period Covered: 1-31 December 1966
4. Commanding Officer: 1-31 Dec 1966 LtCol HAIG DONABEDIAN, USMC
5. Executive Officer: 1-31 Dec 1966 Maj W.F. HOHMANN, USMC
6. Executive Staff:
 - S-1 1-31 Dec 1966 WO J.L. THOMPSON, USMC
 - S-2 1-31 Dec 1966 2ndLt J.H. SHELTON, USMC
 - S-3 1-17 Dec 1966 Maj J.P. TREHY, USMC
18-22 Dec 1966 2ndLt R.B. ROBINSON, USMC
23-27 Dec 1966 Maj R.A. HICKETHIER, USMC
(on loan from Regiment)
28-31 Dec 1966 Maj C.F. PITCHEFORD, USMC
 - S-4 1-19 Dec 1966 Capt E.J. BANKS, USMC
20-31 Dec 1966 1stLt J.P. GLEASON, USMCR
 - S-5 1-31 Dec 1966 1stLt H.L. RHODES, USMCR
7. Unit Commanders:

H&S Company	1-31 Dec 1966	Capt R.E. MURPHY, USMC
Company "E"	1-31 Dec 1966	Capt T.M. PRATT, USMC
Company "F"	1-31 Dec 1966	Capt G.A. DEEGAN, USMC
Company "G"	1-31 Dec 1966	Capt C.L. LYNCH, USMC
Company "H"	1-19 Dec 1966 20-31 Dec 1966	1stLt N.A. GAUGHAN, USMC Capt E.J. BANKS, USMC

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SECTION II

PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION

1. Personnel

a. Number of personnel received as replacement:

(1) Marine Enlisted - 212

(2) Navy Enlisted - 1

b. Personnel received via Division/Regimental transfers:

(1) Marine Officers - 1

(2) Marine Enlisted - 7

(3) Navy Officers - 1

c. Number of personnel rotated:

(1) Marine Enlisted - 19

d. Casualties:

(1) Battle

(a) MIA - Marine Officers - 1

Marine Enlisted - 56

Navy Enlisted - 2

(b) KIA - Marine Enlisted - 9

(c) DOW - Marine Enlisted - 3

(2) Non-Battle

(a) Non-Serious - Marine Enlisted - 3

(b) Serious - Marine Enlisted - 1

(c) Death - Marine Enlisted - 1

e. Number of personnel dropped while sick: Marine Officers - 2

Marine Enlisted - 22

Navy Enlisted - 1

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f. R&R Trips: 115

g. Special Services Activities: Special Services activities for the month of December consisted of 29 movie showings. Paper back books, weekly magazines, game kits, and playing cards are plentiful.

2. Administration

a. Personnel Accounting: There is a shortage of personnel forms.

b. Awards:

(1) The following awards were processed and recommended to higher headquarters for action.

(a) Bronze Star - 1

(b) Navy Commendation Medal - 3

(c) Purple Hearts - 71

(2) The following awards were received.

(a) Purple Hearts - 43

c. Promotions

(1) Gunnery Sergeant to Master Sergeant - 1

(2) Corporal to Sergeant - 22

(3) Lance Corporal to Corporal - 29

(4) Private First Class to Lance Corporal - 7

(5) Private to Private First Class - 7

d. Postal: Air parcel post and letter mail are received twice daily.

e. Disbursing: Disbursing services are provided for by the 1st Marine Division. There was one pay period during the month of December.

f. Post Exchange: A PX van is open 6 days a week, providing basic necessities. Luxury items are supplied in sufficient quantities.

g. Legal & Discipline: During the reported period, 16 Office Hours, 1 Special Courts Martial, and 8 Investigations were completed, there are 1 Special Courts Martial, and 5 Investigations pending, and 3 General Courts Martials recommended.

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CHAPLAIN'S COMMAND CHRONOLOGY FOR DECEMBER 1966

1. James E. Doffin Jr. LT. CHC USN 632778/4100
2. Roman Catholic coverage for this battalion was provided by Chaplain Ray Roy, 3rd Battalion, 1st Marines and Chaplain James Jenner, Regimental Chaplain 1st Marines. During the month we had 4 Sunday Masses with a total attendance of 166. Also, 1 weekday Mass was celebrated with a total attendance of 34.
3. Protestant services conducted for the units of this battalion were 12 with an attendance of 384. The Chaplain of this battalion was also responsible for Protestant coverage for 1st Marine Regiment "CP", 3rd Battalion 1st Marines, and "B" Battery 1st Battalion 11th Marines.
4. Personnel receiving communion 27.
5. Personnel counseled 26.
6. Memorial services conducted was 1 with an attendance of 187.
7. Facilities provided for the chaplain is a single unit jungle hut which is used for an office space and living quarters. All Divine Services are conducted in a spacious indoor theatre.
8. Hospital visitations 23.

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SECTION III

INTELLIGENCE

1. Enemy Situation

a. General

The enemy continues the heavy employment of mines/booby traps and light to heavy sniping at patrols, vehicles and friendly installations. An increase in enemy initiated incidents has been noted throughout the TAOR.

b. Enemy Units which Operate Near Our TAOR.

(1) Q-15 Company (DIEN BAN). This unit is reported operating at BT 020639. This unit is armed with 1-81mm mortar, 1-60mm mortar, 1-57RR, 3 MG and 15 SMG. The strength of this unit is 120 men.

(2) Q-16 Company. This unit is reported operating at AT 950650. This unit has a strength of 120 men. This unit is armed with 1-81mm mortar, 2-60mm mortar, 1 LMG, 7 AR's and 30 SMG of unknown type.

(3) 402nd MF (Sapper Unit) aka T-89. This unit is reported operating at AT 830640. This unit is an excellent fighting unit. It has a strength of 300 to 400 men. The weapons of this Battalion are unknown.

c. Enemy Initiated Incidents During the Period in the TAOR.

(1) 032305H. Foxtrot squad patrol member detonated a mine believed to be an M-79 round at BT 012634.

(2) 040740H. Foxtrot squad ambush at BT 003611 observed 7 VC entering the hamlet at AT 998612. The ambush opened fire as VC signal drums started. An Artillery fire mission was also called. The area was searched resulting in 3 VC KBCF (Conf).

(3) 040930H. Foxtrot squad patrol in pursuit of VC detonated 3 separate mines at AT 995615.

(4) 051200H. Foxtrot Company assisting a downed aircraft at BT 050630 received small arms fire from BT 052633, BT 049636 and BT 054635. Fire was returned with organic weapons. A sweep of the area resulted in 1 VC KBCF (Conf) 1VC KBCF (prob), 2 IVC WIA (Conf) and 10 VCS. The VCS were sent to IPT for interrogation.

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- (5) 051720H. Hotel CP at AT 986645 received heavy small arms fire from AT 995638 and AT 979649 during a helicopter resupply. Fire was returned with small arms, 60mm mortars, 81mm mortars and 106RR. The enemy broke contact. The area could not be searched because of a river barrier. 3 VC KBMTOW and 1 VC KIA (Conf).
- (6) 060530H. Foxtrot 2 platoon at BT 025613 received small arms fire from BT 025613 and BT 024608. Fire was returned with small arms and an artillery mission was called on BT 024608. A search of the area revealed 2 VC KBGF (Conf) 1 VC KIA (Conf), 3 VCS, 1 M-14 with homemade selector and 1 M-26 Grenade. The VCS were sent to DIEM B&E District for interrogation.
- (7) 131030H. Hotel squad patrol member detonated a box type mine at AT 973659.
- (8) 180645H. Echo 3 patrol moving west at AT 997617 received heavy automatic weapons fire from AT 994619, AT 995619 and AT 995616. Fire was returned with small arms and 60mm mortars. An artillery mission was also called. The enemy broke contact. A sweep of the area was made with negative results.
- (9) 181130H. Echo Company member stepped on a punji stake at AT 988610. As other members of the patrol carried the casualty to the LZ an M-16 mine was detonated causing additional casualties.
- (10) 191110H. Hotel 1 platoon patrol member detonated a mine at AT 973658. The mine consisted of 10 pounds of C-4 and had a high fragment content.
- (11) 211330H. Echo Company at BT 000614 and AT 998614 received small arms fire from across the railroad tracks at BT 001609. Fire was returned with small arms and an artillery mission called. 3 VC KBMTOW (Prob).
- (12) 211735H. Foxtrot platoon patrol at BT 041600 received 50 rounds of small arms fire and a grenade from BT 036600. Fire was returned with small arms and the platoon assaulted the position. A sweep of the area resulted in 2 VC KBGF (Conf), 1 VC KBGF (Prob), 1 U.S. Thompson MG, 1 K-53 Chicou rifle, 1 M-26 and 1 Chicou grenade.
- (13) 221110H. Echo 2 at AT 997626 received 25 to 30 rounds of small arms fire and automatic weapons fire from AT 997629 and AT 995628. Fire was returned with small arms and an 81mm mortar mission. Area was swept resulting in 1 VC KBMTOW (Prob).
- (14) 221430H. Echo Company patrol member tripped a wire to an M-26 grenade rigged as a mine at AT 992617.

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- (15) 231015H. Hotel 2 received 30 to 40 rounds of carbine fire from AT 976673. Fire was returned with small arms, M-60 MG and 25 rounds of 60mm mortar. The enemy broke contact. The area was searched with negative results.
- (16) 242330H. Echo 2C had a member of the patrol trip a mine at BT 016267.
- (17) 270700H. Foxtro 3A patrol moving into position tripped a mine at BT 054635.
- (18) 280720H. Echo 2C squad searching a house at BT 009608 discovered 1 VC hiding in the house. The VC threw a Chicom grenade at the patrol. Fire was returned with small arms. 1 VC KBGF (Conf).
- (19) 301715H. Foxtro 1C at BT 038605 received 15 to 20 rounds of small arms fire from an estimated two VC at BT 036605. Fire was returned with small arms and the squad closed in on the VC. The enemy broke contact and withdrew.
- (20) 310730H. Hotel 2A squad ambush at AT 972659 received 1 round of sniper fire and 1 fragmentation grenade. The squad observed 1 VC 10 to 15 meters off the trail. The ambush opened fire with 20 rounds of 7.62. The patrol then heard sounds on three sides of their position and returned to the previous position of the ambush, passing by 1 VC KBGF (Conf). An artillery mission was called on the enemy movement with unknown results.

d. Summary of Enemy Casualties.

	KBMTOWS /	KBGF /	KBMA /	TOTAL
(1) Confirmed	11	21	0	32
(2) Probable	18	26	6	50
(3) VCC 15	VCS 75			90

e. Significant Trends during the Period.

- (1) Enemy movement throughout the TAOR increased slightly during the reporting period. Reason: the flooding has decreased and it is easier to move around.
- (2) Enemy units (2 - 5 men) have continued the limited hit and run tactics. Occasional 5 to 7 man units have been encountered.

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(3) There has been a marked increase in mining incidents and the use of punji pits throughout the T.O.R. A pattern seems to have been established in that the mines have been placed in clusters of near a punji trap.

f. Enemy Situation at the end of the Period. The tactics employed by the enemy have remained basically the same. The exceptions being the method of laying mines and a few isolated incidents of 10 to 25 man units flushed by block and maneuver forces.

2. Terrain. With the continuing monsoon rains, trafficability for troops and vehicles is still a major problem.

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Section IV

Operations and Training

1. Mission. Occupy and defend assigned TAOR conducting unilateral and/or coordinated operations designed to further the social revolution and expand the area of influence of the governmental agencies of the RVN; be prepared to assume the responsibility for another Battalion's sector within the 1st Marines TAOR and to deploy anywhere in RVN by the most expeditious means, within the specified time from the first warning order.

2. Control. Control of the Battalion was exercised throughout the period from the command post and/or light command group in the field. Wire and radio communications continue to be used equally to exercise control of subordinate units.

3. Close Combat

a. Patrols:

(1) Search and Destroy: 1 company, 66 platoon, and 160 squad.

(2) Security: 24 platoon, 210 squad, and 23 FT.

(3) Reconnaissance: 44 squad and 3 platoon patrols.

b. Ambushes: 162 squad and 216 FT.

c. Listening Posts/Outposts: 87 LP's/OP's.

d. Security Post: 244 squad and 68 FT security posts.

4. Special Operations

a. Combined Operations:

(1) Co E(Rain) provided a blocking force for the 1st Battalion, 51st ARVN Regiment search and

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destruction operation in the vicinity of BICH
NAM-HA DONG (AT 9963, 9964, BT 0064, 0065) on
27 December 1966.

b. Psychological Warfare Operations

(1) Significant Activities

- (a) On 3 December 1966 a Psychological Operations Exploit Team (POET) was employed on discovering a Vietnamese mother and child at a routine MedCap that had been injured by VC rifle fire. The POET made loudspeaker broadcasts and distributed literature, calendars, and leaflets from the THANH QUIP Market center (BT 041622). Themes employed were "VC are Cowards who shoot women and children" and the "CHIEU HOI" program. Approximately 500 civilians were in attendance.
- (b) Co H utilized loudspeaker broadcasts extensively in their assigned sector during the period 23-30 December. A Kit Carson rallier spoke nightly from the Company CP and permanent patrol base on a variety of themes.

(2) Material Distributed

- (a) On 15 December, 110,000 leaflets were dropped by helicopter over the western edge of the TAOR. Areas covered were grid squares 9963, 9962, 9961, 0061, 0062, 9868, 9768, and 9767.
- (b) In order to increase the effectiveness of psy-war materials a direct approach method was instituted. "Paper routes" for daily distribution were formed and daily drops became routine. Magazines were handed to individuals at market centers and daily MedCaps throughout the TAOR. Direct contact was emphasized by ground troops on patrols by scattering

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leaflets in villages and populated areas, placing posters and leaflets on trees and buildings on known VC routes, and handing leaflets directly to Vietnamese encountered on the patrol routes.

- (3) Feedback. VC propaganda employment increased throughout the area during the month of December. Leaflets were discovered along communication routes, and in areas that showed evidence of possible VC political activities. During the Christmas "TRUCE" a simulated Christmas tree decorated with VC psy-war leaflets was floated downstream toward the Co G bridge outpost(AT 998705).

5. Nuclear, Biological, Chemical and other Types of Warfare.

- a. During the reporting period neither NBC Warfare nor equipment peculiar to it were employed.
- b. NBC teams were reorganized and team and individual training plans are being formulated.
- c. All items of NBC equipment authorized by T/E are on hand and operational.

6. Problem Areas. No significant problem areas were encountered.

7. Sequential Listings of All Contact, General Description of Scheme of Manuever and Results Attained:

- (1) 1 December - Co F squad patrol at 0940H (BT 024627) received light small arms fire from 1 or 2 VC from 018620. Fire was returned and exploit platoon dispatched from GP to cut-off southern escape route. On sweep of area one VCS (female) was apprehended. Co H search and destroy operation in vicinity at 98:663 interrogated over 200 civilians. 2 were retained as VCS on recommendation of Kit Carson scout and forwarded to IFF.

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(2) 2 December - At 0740H, Co F squad ambush killed one VC wearing green uniform and camouflaged cap who ran from patrol when challenged near BT 001-616. Wallet and papers were returned by the squad to S-2. Co D operating near BT 038601 received heavy small arms fire from a VC position near 018616. A platoon from Co F was dispatched to exploit the contact, and 81mm mortars fired on the VC position. One VCS was apprehended during the search of the area and was returned to the Bn CP. Interrogated and sent to DIEN BAN District Headquarters. Co H platoon at 1500H was searching CAM NE (3) (AT 964686) when intelligence information was received indicating that VC were in hamlet of CAM NE (4) (AT 974695) and CAM NE (5) (AT 982697). Co H platoon was directed to search those hamlets. VC were believed fleeing towards PHONG LE (1) (AT 994697). Co H SPARROW HAWK was launched and additional reinforcements were dispatched to assist the searching platoon. Area was cordoned and searched, with Co H Kit Carson identifying 6 VCS. One VC was shot and killed as he attempted to escape. The 6 VCS were released to the custody of District Officials.

(3) 3 December - Co F squad patrol member detonated an unknown type of mine at 2305H near BT 012634, resulting in 3 WIA's. Patrol returned to GP with casualties who were treated at BAS. One WIA was evacuated by helicopter at 040700H.

(4) 4 December - Co F squad ambush observed seven VC entering a hamlet at 998612, five of whom were armed. A signal drum was heard and VC ran from hamlet in a westerly direction. Ambush opened fire with small arms and artillery. Three (3) VC dead were found on searching the area. At 0900H, a Co H platoon received small arms fire while searching the area of AT 968678. The patrol returned fire and assaulted the VC position at AT 967677. VC broke contact and fled. A blood pool and a cigarette lighter inscribed "403" was discovered on the VC position indicating one VC WIA.

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Co H observation post at AT 992643 observed 8 VC near AT 994637 at 1035H. A Co H squad was dispatched to intercept the movement and fired, killing 1 VC. The VC body was left in an open area under observation. Co F squad patrol at 0930H in pursuit of VC near AT 995615 detonated 3 mines resulting in 3 U.S. WIA's, casualties were returned to BAS at the CP where 2 were medevaced. At 1020H a H&S squad security patrol member activated a mine near BT 019638 resulting in one WIA who was returned to the BAS and treated. At 1300H, a Co F platoon patrol was dispatched toward BT 026667 to establish a blocking force for a 3rd Bn search and destroy operation. At 1320H near the above coordinates, a platoon apprehended 8 VCS in a house with a wooden pistol and assorted papers. Material and VCS returned to Bn CI. At 2000H, a Co F member was wounded by a stray round inside the Bn perimeter while attending the movie. Marine was med-evaced, but died enroute.

- (5) 5 December - ONTOS patrol accompanied by Co F fire team at AT 995617 received 6 rounds of small arms fire at 1340H from VC position at AT 991613. Fire was returned with 260 rounds small arms and 1 VC was observed to be hit and fall. Area not searched by fire team, who remained with disabled ONTOS until repairs were completed. At 1200H, Co F platoon launched SPARROW HAWK to assist downed helicopter at BT 040630. Small arms fire in that vicinity indicated VC activity throughout area. An additional Co F platoon was heli-lifted into the area and another Co F platoon dispatched by truck to join Co F. Co M 3/1 moved to form block at BT 054635. Co F platoon near downed hole observed 3 VC fleeing area and opened fire killing 1 VC. One VC was observed to be hit and fall, and a 3rd was helped away; two VC KIA, 1 VC WIA. Platoon on line swept south from BT 047630 and BT 054632 toward block at vicinity of BT 045640. Sweep force observed

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one VC taken under fire and wounded but escaped into treeline. Near BT 049636 3 VC were apprehended, 1 of which carried a safe conduct pass. At BT 04633 six VCS were apprehended. Ten VCS were returned to Bn CP; helicopter was dismantled and sections heli-lifted out of the area. At 1720H, Co H CP received heavy small arms fire during helicopter resupply for PPB. Fire returned with organic weapons and 60 and 81mm mortars, 106 RR. VC broke contact, heli-lift was completed. Three dead VC observed laying in open across river at AT 995638 and one observed hit and hobbled away into treeline near AT 979649.

- (6) 6 December - Co F platoon point moving into a blocking position for a combined ARVN operation received fire from 3 VC at 0530H resulting in one WIA. VC fired upon and pursued. Two VC were killed, one was wounded and captured, 3 VCS apprehended near BT 025613. An M-14 with 4 magazines and a home-made selector, one M-26 grenade and other web equipment was also captured. At BT 047629 at 1130H Co F platoon apprehended a VC who wandered into the platoon position apparently intoxicated. Co H squad patrol fired upon six VC observed running from patrol near AT 999635 about 1050H. Three escaped into treeline and three were believed killed and fell into tall grass. Squad destroyed a raft at AT 994643 and continued mission. At 1400H, Co H platoon patrol near BT 004646 observed and fired upon 2 VC, one of whom was armed. One was killed and the other escaped into the treeline. As fire team attempted to cross river, one Marine was swept under by current, another Marine was pulled out and med-evaced. River searched for drowned victim with negative results. Co H squad patrol at AT 990642 at about 1530H fired upon 9 armed VC and called artillery direct fire mission on position near AT 995635. Two VC were soon to hit and fall. Co F platoon dispatched to search area shot and killed 1 VC at BT 002639 at 1540H, but no additional bodies could be located. Co H squad searching area near AT 976663 received sniper

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fire from 1 VC, who ran from patrol and attempted to hide among women at about 1830H. One VCS apprehended and interrogated at Bn S-2. As Co F platoon patrol returned from blocking position about 1600H, sniper fire was received from BT 019612 resulting in 1 U.S. WIA. Fire returned and VC broke contact. Casualty was med-evaced with previous platoon casualty and VC WIA.

(7) 7 December - At 1020H, Co H platoon patrol spotted 3 VC in a sampan near BT 007644. VC identified by Kit Carson and brought under fire. One was hit and sank into river with sampan. Two ran into treeline, one carrying a weapon helping the other as if wounded. At 1816H, Co H OP called 106RR and artillery direct fire on 4 VC running into a hut at AT 992637. One VC fell during machinogun fire, 3 ran into hut and instantly hit by direct fire weapons. Four VC KIA. At 1746H, Co F platoon moving into blocking position near BT 016614 received light small arms fire resulting in 1 USMC WIA. Returned fire and assaulted VC position with negative results. WIA med-evaced by helicopter which received several rounds of small arms fire from unknown VC position. Platoon continued moving into blocking position.

(8) 8 December - Co F squad patrol leader was mistaken for a VC and was shot by squad member at 0716H near AT 997609, WIA med-evaced. Co F blocking force CP near BT 019661 at 1100H observed 7 VC in treeline at BT 016605. Artillery and 81mm mortars fired on area and two VC were observed to fall. Five VC probably KIA. Area not swept due to river barrier. At 1046H, Co F OP observed 1 VC in a sampan moving down stream near BT 019607, and fired upon him. VC fell into river when hit and did not surface. At 1700H, Co G platoon in blocking position near BT 023607 received 1 round sniper fire from BT 019606 resulting in 1 WIA who was med-evaced.

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- (9) 9 December - Co G platoon in blocking position at BT 020606 observed armed VC at 0900H near BT 018603. Squad fired upon VC who was hit and fell. Search prevented by river obstacle. At 2000H, Co G security post at AT 998708 observed VC in boat approaching bridge near AT 994706. VC taken under small arms fire, and VC returned 40 rounds of carbine fire. Tank 90mm fired at sinking boat creating a secondary explosion. 2 VC in water fired upon with small arms. Team in motor launch searched area noting debris but no bodies were found.
- (10) 10 December - Co H squad in blocking position at 963676 observed and fired upon 2 VC running into tree line near 964679 about 1444H. Friendly units west of that location also fired on VC. During the fight one hospitalman was WIA (minor). VC broke contact; negative results.
- (11) 11 December - At 1440H, Co G squad patrol near AT 984689 received 15 rounds of small arms fire from VC position near BT 984689, resulting in 1 U.S. WIA. Squad returned fire and assaulted position discovering a large pool of blood and trails indicating one VC WIA. Trail was followed for approximately 300 meters until lost in a swampy area.
- (12) 12 December - Co H squad patrol at 1100H near 003-646 apprehended 1 VC hiding from patrol. Prisoner was wearing VN clothing over uniform. Forwarded to ITP via Regiment.
- (13) 13 December - Co E squad participating in company search and destroy operation observed one VC in boat who dropped into water when challenged, near 000-641 at 0940H. Boat sunk with M-79 rounds, fired on VC swimming under water. Body did not rise to surface. Co H squad patrol member at 1030H near 973649 detonated a box type mine, resulting in one U.S. WIA who was med-evac'd. At 1220H, Co H squad patrol while blowing in place a anti-tank mine located by Kit Carson, received one sniper round from 974664 resulting in one U.S. WIA (non-evac).

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As Co H patrol continued near 972662, 20 rounds of small arms fire was received from 970664 killing one Marine. Fire was returned and artillery and mortar missions were fired. Heavy concentration of mines pointed out by Kit Carson, and newly installed wire obstacles and fortifications prevented search of area. VC broke contact, patrol returned to CP. Co E moved to 999618 on information of 10-16 VC in vicinity of 993608. Fired artillery and mortar prop fires and assaulted VC position. VC broke contact under pursuit and scattered. 3 VC dead were discovered at VC position and one female VC with wounds was captured. One U.S. WIA occurred during assault when member stepped on punji stake. At 2140H, Co H squad patrol moving into ambush position near 984664 received 16 rounds of small arms from estimated 2 VC adjacent to patrol route. Immediate fire returned toward VC position. 1 VC seen running from area, other was believed KIA. One U.S. KIA resulted and patrol returned to base.

(14) 14 December - Co H squad patrol at 0904H captured a VC emplacing two 105mm rounds and another unknown type mine in the road near AT 976676. Mines were detonated in place and VC were delivered to IIT compound. At 1340H, Co H SPARROW HAWK was lifted into AN TRACH area to exploit VC contact by providing a block for the sweeping platoons. On heli-lift from LZ at GS 9864, one casualty resulted from small arms fire received while airborne in CH-46A aircraft. At 1500H, Co E squad patrol apprehended one VCS female near AT 990634. ONTOS were dispatched to return VCS WIA to CP for treatment. Evacuated to C-Med, for further treatment and IIT interrogation. At 1540H, Co E platoon block at AT 990607 observed 2 or 3 VC moving toward river who ran when they saw platoon. Platoon opened fire and VC was observed to fall. A squad was dispatched across the river to search for VC. While crossing river, one squad member slipped and disappeared under water, and presumed drowned. Search for MIA continues.

(15) 15 December - At 1100H, Co H search and destroy squad observed 2 VC moving near AT 971659.

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One VC was carrying a weapon. VC were taken under fire and one was seen to fall, the other limped away into tree line. Presume 1 VC KIA and 1 VC WIA. Co E platoon search and destroy near BT 008608 received 10 rounds small arms fire from VC position near BT 008607, resulting in 1 US WIA. One hundred and fifty rounds of small arms fire were returned. Area not swept due to river barrier. At 1700H, Co H sniper fired upon 2 VC at AT 970673. Both were hit and fell, one was seen crawling into tree line. Search of area revealed blood pool and trails but bodies could not be located. At 1800H, Co H CP observed 15 VC with packs and fired upon them with small arms, ONTOS, and 81mm mortars. Two were seen to be hit by small arms and were pulled into tree line near AT 994634. Co H platoon established block on Co E platoon (rein) with ONTOS surrounded BICH NAM and searched the area with illumination provided by 81mm mortars and flare ship with negative results.

(16) 16 December - At 1030H a Co H platoon patrol at AT 969664 received small arms fire from AT 973-664. The platoon returned fire with organic weapons and swept the area; negative results. A 100mm dud was found during the search and was blown in place. At 1040H Co F platoon patrol received one round sniper fire from BT 012632. Patrol was enroute to Battalion CP at BT 01627. No fire was returned due to number of civilians in immediate area. At 1620H, Co E platoon patrol at BT 034610 received small arms fire from BT 034-619. Fire was returned by patrol's organic weapons but was not swept due to river barrier. At 2010H a Co F squad ambush observed a VN male age 4 while moving northeast at BT 03618. VCS was apprehended and returned to En CP.

(17) 17 December - At 1230H, Co H platoon in blocking operation at AT 966642 to AT 97644 apprehended 1 male VCS at AT 97644. While returning to Co H CP the patrol received 10 rounds small arms

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fire from LE SON(1) at AT 982660. Village was swept with negative results. At 1230H, Co H platoon in blocking position at AT 967638 to 988644 took 2 male VCS under fire who ran from their position. VCS were wounded and med-evaced; 4 VCS were also apprehended. At 1230H, Co H platoon in blocking position at AT 984663 to AT 984644 wounded one VCS who ran from their position. Twenty-four VCS and 2 VCC were also apprehended and interrogated by ITT. At 2100H, Co E squad ambush at AT 992636 tripped ambush on 2 VC at a distance of 8-10 meters. The fire fell into Co H OP who returned fire causing Co E squad to pull back. After cessation of fire squad went into area and found 1 VC KIA(conf) and evidence of 1 VC KIA(prob).

- (18) 18 December - At 0645H while moving west toward railroad tracks Co E platoon patrol received heavy volume of automatic weapons fire at their position at AT 997617 from three different enemy positions. The platoon returned organic weapons fire onto the enemy at AT 999619, 994619, and 994616. During engagement platoon suffered 1 US KIA and 1 US WIA which were med-evaced. Artillery mission was called and area was assaulted and swept locating enemy entrenchment. At 0730H, Co E platoon observed 1 VC dressed in black walking down the trail from east to west at BT 09612. VC was taken under fire and killed. Results were 1 VC KIA, captured 1 US rifle cal. 30 M-1, 2 clips ammo, 2 M-26 grenades, 1 cartridge bolt, and various documents. At 1130H, Co E patrol member stepped on punji stake at AT 988610. As casualty was carried to LZ a mine was detonated resulting in seven additional casualties. First med-evac chopper received small arms fire resulting in one crew member WIA. While waiting for med-evac helicopter one casualty died. Second med-evac chopper returned with fixed wing escort which was utilized against VC positions at AT 986613. Med-evac completed without further incident. At 1940H, Co F squad patrol moving at BT 010603 received 4-6 rounds automatic weapons fire. Patrol sighted 4 VC and opened fire with organic

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weapons; one VC observed to fall. Illumination was called and area was searched. Presume 1 VC KIA(prob).

- (19) 19 December - At 0920H, Co E at AT 999609 sighted 2 VC with weapons attempting to cross river. Fired on VC causing one to fall in river and other fell on the bank. Search of the area revealed papers, documents, 2 cartridge belts, 1 M-26 grenade, 1 ~~Chicom~~ grenade, 13 rounds small arms, and 1 watch. At 1110H, Co H patrol at AT 973664 tripped a mine estimated to be 10 lbs. of C-4 type explosive with a high ~~fragant~~ content. WIA's were med-evaced. At 1800H, Co F fire team at BT 041633 received 1 round sniper fire and at same time observed movement in grass. Person ordered to halt but ignored the warning. Fire team opened fire. 1 VC KIA(conf).
- (20) 20 December - At 1800H, Co H PPB at AT 992643 reported seeing 16 VC with packs. Squad and ONTOS engaged enemy resulting in 2 VC KIA(prob). Search of area had negative results. Platoon remained in position to conduct ambush activity. At 1100H, Co H at AT 971663 during search and destroy operation observed 2 VC heading toward Co H position. VC were taken under fire and 1 VC KIA and 1 VC WIA (prob) resulted. At 1700H, Co H at AT 971663 during search and destroy operation had sniper take 2 VC under fire at a range of 900 meters. 2 VC seen hit and fall. Search revealed blood pool. Presume 1 VC KIA(Prob) and 1 VC WIA(prob).
- (21) 21 December - At 1330H, Co F patrol at BT 048632 had member trip a mine resulting in 4 US WIA's of which 2 were med-evaced. At 0700H, Co F combat patrol sighted 2 VC running west along river. One VC had weapon and patrol opened fire, assaulted and searched area. A blood trail was found and 1 VCS was apprehended. At 1330H, Co E block at AT 998614 received small arms fire from BT 001609 and AT 994620. Patrol returned fire with organic weapons. Results were 1 US KIA, 1 US WIA and 3 VC WIA(prob). Area not searched due to river barrier. At 1700H, Co H platoon patrol at AT 959680 received 4-6 rounds small arms rounds from AT 957-679. Returned fire with organic weapons. One US

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KIA resulted. Swept area with negative results. At 1730H, Co F security patrol at BT 041600 received 50 rounds small arms fire and 1 grenade from BT 036600. Returned heavy small arms fire and assaulted VC position killing 2 VC. Followed heavy blood trail but it was lost in paddy area. Results were 2 VC KIA(conf), 1 VC KIA(prob), 1 US KIA and 1 US WIA (minor); captured 1 30 cal. rifle, 1 4' cal. US submachinegun, 1 magazine, 1 VC battle flag, 1 M-26 grenade, and 1 Chicom grenade.

- (22) 22 December - At 1110H, Co F platoon in block received 20-30 rounds small arms fire and automatic weapons fire from AT 997629 and AT 994628. Returned fire with organic weapons and called 81mm mortar mission. Search of area revealed blood pool and 30 caliber brass and links. One US WIA and 1 VC WIA(conf). At 0800H, Co F platoon patrol observed VC watching platoon and received 4 rounds small arms fire from BT 026598. Returned fire with organic weapons and assaulted VC position, capturing 1 VCC. No weapon could be found. At 0900H, Co F platoon fire team OP observed 2 VC moving west evading ARVN sweep. Opened fire with organic weapons and assaulted VC position. Enemy broke contact and fled. Found 3 bullet riddled straw hats. Contact unable to be reestablished.
- (23) 23 December - No significant contacts.
- (24) 24 December - No significant contacts.
- (25) 25 December - At 1000H, Co G security platoon observed and fired upon object floating toward bridge. The object was a Christmas tree with VC propaganda attached to it. Tree was retrieved from water by boat and propaganda was forwarded to Regiment.
- (25) 25 December - At 0945H, Co H squad patrol received one round sniper fire resulting in 1 US WIA. Patrol searched area but no further fire was taken. Med-evac completed at 1045H.
- (26) 26 December - No significant contacts.

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- (27) 27 December - At 0500H to 1100H, Co H block at AT 967674 discovered 1 VN male identified by KIT CARSON as a VC. Search force apprehended 3 VCS without ID cards during search and destroy operation. VC and VCS were returned to Bn CP for interrogation. At 0800H, Co F patrol at BT 043621 received 6 rounds small arms fire from BT 043628. Returned fire and swept area. Apprehended 1 VCS male WIA with ID card that stated that he was 27 years old. No weapons were found. VCS to be taken to E/L/D position where he will be transported to Bn S-2. At 0940H, Co F patrol at BT 047698 apprehended 1 VCS female 19 years old without an ID card. VCS was returned to Bn S-2 on completion of patrol.
- (28) 28 December - At 0440H, Co E patrol at BT 009608 moving into ambush position sighted 3 VC. Opened fire and waited until light to search the area. When searched 3 VC KIA and 2 VC WIA were found. At 0600H, same patrol sighted 1 VC who ran from their position when challenged. Patrol opened fire and killed VC. At 0720H, Co E patrol while searching house in area of previous contact had VC hiding under bed throw one Chicom grenade. VC was shot and killed. At 0730H, Co E patrol in same area as original contact apprehended 3 VCS. At 1320H, Co H squad patrol sighted 1 VC at BT 047638. Patrol fired 8 rounds of 60mm mortars which appeared to hit VC. Patrol observed woman drag VC into tree line. Patrol searched area and found 1 Chicom grenade rigged with trip wire. Unable to find body but apprehended 3 VCS.
- (29) 29 December - At 1030H, Co H patrol at AT 984664 apprehended suspicious, frightened and extremely nervous male without ID card. KIT CARSON identified him as a local force VC. Forwarded to ITT by Bn S-2. At 2000H, Co E PPB received 10 rounds small arms fire and 1 M-26 grenade. Fire was returned with organic weapons and 81mm mortar mission. Area searched with negative results.

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(30) 30 December - At 0700H, Co F squad ambush fired upon 5 VC who walked into their killing zone at BT 055628. Two VC were hit and fell, 3 others fled into treeline. Search could not regain contact and VC were believed to have floated down river in a raft covered with bushes. Captured 2 ~~Chicom~~ grenades, 5 M-26 grenades and a signal device. At 1420H, E/1/D at BT 043620 reported a male VGS came to their position with gunshot wound. Man tagged as VGC due to the fact that he had no ID card and was from same area as earlier ambush. VCC was med-evaced. At 1540H, E/1/D again had a man come to their position with no ID card. Tagged as VGC WIA and med-evaced. At 1910H, Co F squad patrol at BT 038604 received 10-20 rounds small arms from 2 VC. Patrol returned fire and assaulted VC position. VC broke contact and patrol could not reestablish. One US WIA (non-evaced) ensued during contact.

(31) 31 December - At 0300H, Co H squad ambush at AT 971660 observed VC movement and called 81mm mortar mission. Presume 1 VC KIA (prob). At 0730H, Co H squad ambush received sniper fire and one grenade at AT 972659. Observed one VC and opened fire. Search of area found one VC KIA (conf).

8. Training. The major training emphasis continues to be on-the-job training. Two hundred thirty-three Marines fired the M-14 rifle on the 900" range for proper battle zero. All newly joined personnel attended the Battalion troop indoctrination program. The Battalion continues to utilize fully the school quotas received from 1st Marine Division and III MAF schools. During the period 1-31 December 100 Marines attended the 2½ day landmine warfare classes at the 3rd Engineer Battalion. Also during the month of Dec-

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Under the Battalion Commander hold lectures for all officers and NCO's in the Battalion pertaining to the Vietnamese as the host country and rules of engagement. A Division Contact Team held 16 hours of lectures, demonstrations and practical application on the Man-Pack Personnel Detector-Chemical. Crew served weapons classes and firing were held by the Companies. Drill was included for the 3.5" rocket launcher, 60mm mortar, and M-60 machinegun.

9. PF/RF Liaison and Training.

a. One squad (~16 Marines) of Co E continued to be billeted with the RF Company Headquarters at BT 042620. The mission of the squad is to provide liaison with this unit and coincidentally to provide training assistance. Progress has been steady in this regard. This squad also operates a MedCap. Plans for the future include offensive patrols and ambushes.

b. A composite CAC squad was formed and after training and indoctrination moved into assigned area at BT 040604 on 30 December 1966. Initial priority of work has been limited to establishing the defensive position. One platoon of PF's have been assigned and initial relationships have proven promising. The mission of the CAC is to provide local security through offensive and defensive operations, train PF's in basic military subjects, and to conduct an energetic Civic Action program with special emphasis on MedCap.

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SECTION V

LOGISTICS

1. Supply. During the reporting period, difficulty was again encountered in the procurement of individual equipment. Deterioration of individual equipment due to the monsoon weather coupled with the increase of replacements has caused various deficiencies. Areas of particular concern are helmets, steel, w/release strap, grenade carrier, cloth cotton duck, and liner, steel helmet, ballistic nylon.

2. Maintenance. 123 tactical equipment repair orders were submitted to FISC-A during the month and 56 were completed. The following is a breakdown by section of the work orders submitted and completed:

	<u>SUBMITTED</u>	<u>COMPLETED</u>
Motor Transport	33	12
Ordnance	56	30
Communications	12	8
Supply	22	8

3. Food Services. Food services personnel and facilities encountered no difficulties during the reporting period. The Battalion is currently receiving two "A" ration meals and one "B" ration meal daily. Fresh salad and fruit are available daily.

4. Contonment and Camp Facilities. During the reporting period three additional burnable type heads have been constructed, bringing our total to six. A bulldozer, full tracked TD-18, from 3rd Engineer Battalion has been attached and has assisted in urgent modifications to improve the defensive posture of the Battalion Command Post. The 9th Naval Construction Battalion has started surveying procedures for the improved mess hall. The construction team arrived on 31 December and will commence actual construction on 1 January 1967.

5. Transportation and Roads. Roads between Da Nang and the entrance to the Battalion Command Post access road have remained in satisfactory condition, however, periods of heavy rain do cause flooding in certain areas, and are causing rapid road deterioration. The access road from the Battalion Command Post to Highway 1 has remained in a trafficable condition. 7th Engineer Battalion has again provided personnel and equipment to improve the access road.

6. Fiscal. During the month of December, the Battalion obligated \$56,350.43 for Stock Fund Account items.

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7. Water. No problems were encountered during the reporting period. The water point remains within the Battalion Command Post. Attempts are under way to secure on a temporary loan from Marine Aircraft Group 11 a shower unit that would provide hot showers. Immersion burners are now being used to take the chill off the water.

8. Motor Transport. Preventative maintenance is being accomplished on a continuing basis. Presently 4 truck, platform, $\frac{1}{2}$ ton, M-274 and 1 truck, $\frac{1}{4}$ ton, M-422A1 are declined for 3rd echelon repairs at FLSG-4. During the reporting period 5 truck, platform, $\frac{1}{2}$ ton, M-274 were "X" coded. In addition, the Battalion has had 2 truck, utility, $\frac{1}{4}$ ton, M-422A1 on order in excess of 30 days.

9. Embarkation. The Battalion embarkation posture remains satisfactory. During the reporting period a Division Embarkation Inspection was conducted. Results were satisfactory with discrepancies. These discrepancies are being corrected. Sufficient mount out boxes have been constructed to the configuration of the standard Marine Corps mount out boxes. Mount out boxes remain on order and upon arrival will replace those temporary boxes now constructed.

10. Hospitalization and Evacuation. The majority of the Battalion casualties were evacuated directly by helicopter from the site of injury to "C" Company, 3rd Medical Battalion. The non-battle casualties were, for the most part, referred to the Battalion Aid Station for treatment and those requiring hospitalization were sent either to "C" Company, 3rd Medical Battalion or the U. S. Naval Support Activity Hospital, Da Nang.

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SECTION VI
COMMUNICATIONS ELECTRONICS

1. GENERAL. On 10 December the 1st Marine Division's CEO's office inspected this unit for communication operational readiness, operating techniques and training programs. This unit was found satisfactory in the inspected areas.
2. RADIO. Initial attempts to set up retransmission cable MK456, for the AN/PRC-25 radio, in accordance with CG 1st Marine Division message 171159Z December 1966 were unsuccessful. Continued efforts will be made to get the cable to work properly.
3. WIRE. Due to the fact that the First and Ninth Marine Regiments were servicing their cable concurrently this month, wire communications with regiment were disrupted several times. Regiment is currently laying a separate cable which should improve the reliability of wire communications.
4. MESSAGE CENTER. Instruction in off-line crypto message transmission continued throughout December. Two drill messages were sent to and one received from regiment.
5. SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE SUPPORT. Upon request from the 1st Marine Division's CEO office, FLC furnished this unit with a KWQ-8 repair parts kit for the KW-7 crypto device.

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Section VII

FIRE SUPPORT COORDINATION CENTER

1. During the month of December, the First Battalion, Eleventh Marines, who is in direct support of the First Marine Regiment, fired in support of the Second Battalion, First Marines. Lima Battery, Fourth Battalion, Twelfth Marines, was on occasion employed in a general support reinforcing role.

2. Fire support for the Second Battalion, First Marines was coordinated by the Battalion Fire Support Coordination Center. During this past month, coordination of fire support was required for small unit activities, combined operations, and battalion (-) search and destroy operations within the TAOR of the Second Battalion, First Marines.

3. Artillery Data

a. Missions - 106

b. Rounds expended:

(1) Adjusted missions - 973

(2) H&I's - 875

4. Eighty-one mm mortars continued to provide steady and dependable fire support for units operating within the TAOR.

a. Missions: 55

b. Rounds expended:

(1) Adjusted missions - 1195

(2) H&I's - 1224

(3) Illumination - 837

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Section VIII

AIR SUPPORT

1. During the month of December, this unit requested and utilized 58 aircraft missions. Of these, 56 were helicopter, 1 attack fixed wing, and 1 C-47 flare ship.
2. The helicopter missions included 4 troop lifts (2 sparrow hawk), 17 resupplies, 34 medical evacuations, and 2 psy war leaflet drops.
3. Additional air support was utilized in the form fixed wing attack and armed HU-1E strikes who were escorting med evacs, resupplies, troop lifts, and sparrow hawk missions. An estimated 85% of these escorts were directed against enemy troops.
4. Continuing bad weather is again the biggest problem. This unit has at numerous times requested an aviation type weather forecast with 12 and 24 hour prognostications. The unit has received less than six. It is believed this weather forecast would be a real contribution to tactical planning.

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SECTION IX

MEDICAL/DENTAL SUPPORT

1. Medical Officers:

- a. Battalion Surgeon - LT Allan S. PIRNIQUE (MC) USNR
- b. Assistant Battalion Surgeon - LT Edwin J. LANDHERR II (MC) USNR

2. Hospital Corpsman: 56

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3. Significant Events: NONE

4. Medical Trends: 16 cases of diarrhea; Malaria, none; heat exhaustion, none; 21 cases of immersion foot; 10 cases of Venereal disease; 1078 inoculations.

5. Number of Combat Casualties Treated: 19 casualties were treated for combat injuries at the Battalion Aid Station.

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6. Number of Non-Battle Patients Treated: 386 different patients were treated at the Battalion Aid Station. 956 treatments were administered during the month of December.

7. Preventive Medicine and Sanitation: all dogs in the battalion area were given rabies shots in the month of December. The sanitation is considered to be good in the battalion.

8. Civil Affairs Medical Support Rendered:

- a. Number of persons treated by the Battalion Medical Support - 2550
- b. amount, by type, of medicine dispensed is as follows:

(1) Gantrisin Suspension	6	bt
(2) alcohol, USP, Qt	5	bt
(3) aspirin Tabs	8	bt
(4) Calamine Lotion	12	bt
(5) Chlorpheniramine Syrup, Gal	3	bt
(6) Dibucaine Oint.	6	tu
(7) Erythromycin Tabs.	3	bt
(8) Gamma Benzene Oint.	6	tu
(9) Hydrogen Peroxide	12	bt

(10) Methyl Salicylate	6	cn
(11) Nitrofurazone Oint.	6	Jr.
(12) Piperazine Tartrate Tabs	4	cn
(13) Procaine Penicillin	200	bt
(14) Thimersol Tincture, Gal.	1	bt
(15) Water for injection, 5cc	8	pg
(16) adhesive Plaster	12	rl
(17) Bandage, Gauze 4"	5	pg
(18) Sponge 4"X4"	20	pg
(19) Needle, Hypo, 21 Ga. 100's	8	pg
(20) Syringe, Hypo, 2 1/2cc 100's	8	pg
(21) Bottle, screw cap, 2 oz 72's	3	pg

9. Problem Areas: Immunization Program; Certain immunizations have not been available from our supply source, consequently, the deadline planned for completion of this program must be extended pending receipt of the required vaccines.

10. Dental Officer:

a. Battalion Dental Officer - LT Charles E. SCHUTT (DC) USN

11. Dental Technician: 1

12. Dental Trends: 353 different patients were seen during the month of December with 860 restorations performed on these patients. 94 patients were placed into Class I during the month of December.

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SECTION X

CIVIL AFFAIRS

1. Significant Activities. During the month of December there were 3,725 Vietnamese treated at the daily MedCAPs held at the Battalion CP and the Regional Forces Compound at Phong Ngu (1). In addition to the daily MedCAP held at these positions, roving MedCAP patrols from Company "E" administered aid to a total of 221 people in the hamlets of Yon No (1) and Ha Dong on the 26th and 29th of December. While Company "F" was conducting a one day search and clear operation in the hamlet of Viem Tay (2) on 15 December 1966, their corpsmen treated 175 civilians. A MedCAP was started in the hamlet of Than Con Dau, but it was discontinued due to the establishment of an ARVN MedCAP in the same locale.

On 29 December 1966, members of Company "G" replaced the flooring of a footbridge near the hamlet of Cam No (1). The project was initiated to ensure the passage of Marine patrols. As the Marines began to replace the flooring of the bridge, a group of Vietnamese males appeared and assisted in the repair. The local people viewed the project as an improvement in the area.

Throughout the month, civil action indoctrination was presented to Marines arriving from CONUS.

2. Material Distributed. Through the daily and roving MedCAPs, over 2,000 bars of soap and 3,000 vitamin pills were presented as a part of treatment to Vietnamese civilians. The 2nd Platoon of Company "G" donated several large boxes of food to the hamlet chief of Than Con Dau for distribution to the poor people of the hamlet.

On 23 December, the Civil Affairs Officer presented approximately 200 pieces of clothing, two large boxes of toys and fifteen pounds of candy to the hamlet chief of Phong Ngu (1) for distribution to the people that were gathered in the hamlet. One hundred school kits were presented to the Village Chief of Thanh Truong on 30 December for distribution to the children attending the school in Phong Ngu (1).

3. Special Civil Affairs Projects. Civic Action projects have been planned in each company's TAOR. Plans call for school repair in Viem Tay and Thanh Quit by Company "E". Company "F" has plans to donate metal culvert to the village of Vinh Ha to aid in draining flooded rice paddies. H&S Company has undertaken the repair of the school at Phong Luc (1). Company "G" will start a daily MedCAP at Phong Le (2) as soon as adequate supplies are available. Company "H" has completed its project of establishing a roving MedCAP.

4. Apparent Results. During the month of December, the number of civilians treated by the daily MedCAP at the Battalion CP increased from an average of 63 per day in November to an average of 97 per day.

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On Christmas Day, a group of civilians, from the surrounding hamlets, bearing gifts and wishes for a Merry Christmas, visited the Battalion Commander. During the conversation, it was learned that the people are thankful for the Marines being in the area and that they are grateful that we no longer fire H&I's in the vicinity of their hamlets. Their leader complained of the Viet Cong stealing their rice and clothing and was told that if his people would advise the Marines when the Viet Cong come to their village, the Marines will come after the Viet Cong.

TABULATION OF REFERENCES

- (a) MAPS: VIETNAM; 1:50,000 Series 1701 and 17014 Sheets 6658I, 6659III, 6558I, 6558II, 6640III and 6640IV.

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TABULATION OF DOCUMENTS

Tab A Operation Journal 1-31 Dec 1966

B Fragmentary Orders 122-66 to 124-66

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S-3 JOURNAL
2nd Battalion, 1st Marines

FROM: 010001H December 1966
TO: 012400H December 1966

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
G	S-3	0017	G/2/A has returned to CP.
H	S-3	0045	H/3/A has returned to CP.
G	S-3	0110	G/3/A has returned to CP.
F	S-3	0209	F/1/A and F/1/B have returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0300	All Secure.
F	S-3	0340	F/1/A now departing CP.
All Units	S-3	0400	All Secure.
F	S-3	0527	F/3/A now departing CP.
F	S-3	0745	F/1/C has returned to CP.
G	S-3	0822	G/2/B now departing CP.
G	S-3	0830	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 035127).
G	S-3	0840	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 035723).
G	S-3	0855	G/1/A now departing CP.
G	S-3	0900	G/1/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 003702).
G	S-3	0920	G/1/A patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 009701).
G	S-3	0937	G/1/A has returned to CP.
F	S-3	0955	F/1 now departing CP.
F	S-3	1000	F/3/B now departing CP.
S-3	Regt	1110	SPOT REPORT #5 A- F/2 B- 010940H C- Fr: BT 024627 En: BT 018620 D- Squad combat patrol moving across rice paddy received approximately 10 rounds small arms fire from 1 or 2 VC at referenced coordinates. E- Returned fire with small arms and 3-60mm mortar rounds, Patrol could not assault VC position because of deep water obstacles. Platoon dispatched from Bn CP to search hamlet. One woman and 10 children were found. Woman apprehended as a VCS and taken to Bn CP. F-K- None. L- 1 (woman); M-N- None.
F	S-3	1111	F/1 has returned to CP.
F	S-3	1112	F/3/B has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1625	Received resupply request. Passed on to S-4.
H	S-3	1641	Co H has returned to CP.
S-3	H&S	1715	All vehicles have returned to Bn CP.
H&S	S-3	1722	H&S security patrol has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1815	G/1/C now departing CP.
G	S-3	1916	G/1/C patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 012713).
H	S-3	1925	H/1/A now departing CP.
G	S-3	1925	G/1/C patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 023723).
G	S-3	1930	G/1/C patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 033738).

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FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
G	S-3	1935	G/1/C patrol at Ck Pt #4 (BT 043736).
G	S-3	1940	G/1/C patrol at Ck Pt #5 (BT 036738).
H	S-3	1958	H/3/A now departing CP.
G	S-3	2047	G/2/C now departing CP.
G	S-3	2112	G/2/C patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 041723).
S-3	Regt	2145	SPOT REPORT #10 A- Co H B- 012000H C- Fr: AT 985663 D- Co H search and clear operation conducted a clearing compound at referenced coordinates and 2 VCS were located, from those questioned by S-2 and KIT CARSON personnel. VCS were as a direct result of KIT CARSON. E- VCS turned over to ITT. F-K- None. L- ? M-N- None.
G	S-3	2152	G/1 now departing CP.
H	S-3	2305	H/1/A has returned to CP.
H	S-3	2322	H/2/A has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	2400	All Secure.

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FROM: 020001H December 1966
TO: 022400H December 1966

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
G	S-3	0001	G/2/C has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0100	All secure.
All Units	S-3	0200	All Secure.
F	S-3	0205	F/2 now departing CP.
S-3	Regt	0227	Notified Regiment of activity changes for Co H.
F	S-3	0310	F/3/A and F/3/B now departing CP.
G	S-3	0410	G/1/C now departing CP.
H	S-3	0615	H/1 now departing CP.
H	S-3	0740	Received resupply request. Passed on to S-4.
G	S-3	0807	G/2/B now departing CP.
S-3	Regt	0900	SPOT REPORT #5 A- ... F Squad Ambush B- 020730H C- Fr: BT 003616 En: BT 001616 D- Ambush observed 1 VC entering ambush killing zone. E- Ambush opened fire when VC began to run after being challenged by squad. F-H- None. I- 1 (confirmed). L-M- None. N- Wallet and papers
F	S-3	0923	Request fire mission at BT 019616.
G	S-3	0955	G/2/B has returned to CP.
F	S-3	1226	F/1 apprehended 3 VCS that will be returned to En CP on completion of patrol.
F	S-3	1233	F/1 has returned to CP.
H	S-3	1242	At 1120H H/1 at AT 967687 and AT 964686 discovered 1 deadfall, 2 mylesian whips, and an 81mm mortar fuse. Booby traps and 81mm mortar fuse destroyed by M-79 rounds. No secondary explosions were noted.
H	S-3	1300	Dispatched 2 reinforced squads to AT 979695 and AT 982698 to pursue approximately 19 VC.
H	S-3	1410	H/1 at AT 982698 began sweep towards PHONG LE (1). Unit from Co G at the bridge dispatched to act as blocking force east of PHONG LE (1); also unit from Regiment dispatched to help as block.
Note	S-3	1500	LVP's requested to assist upstream.
H	S-3	1530	Now sweeping PHONG LE (1).
H	S-3	1535	Apprehended 2 males at PHONG LE (1).
Note	S-3	1620	S-3A arrived at Co H vicinity PHONG LE (1).
H	S-3	1705	Cancel all Co H night activities.
F	S-3	1915	F/1/B now departing CP.
F	S-3	1917	F/1/A now departing CP.

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S-3	Regt	1930	SPOT REPORT
			A- Co. H
			B- 021500H
			C- Fm: AT 990697 En: AT 994697
			D- Platoon was searching CAM NE (3) at AT 964686 when intelligence information was received indicating that VC were in hamlet CAM NE (4) at AT 974695 and CAM NE (5) at AT 982697. Intelligence report was considered reliable.
			E- Platoon was sent to search hamlets and VC were believed to be fleeing to PHONG LE (1) at AT 994697. Sparrow Hawk was launched and reinforcements were dispatched to assist platoon. Co CO directed operation. PHONG LE (1) was cordoned off and a search was conducted. KIT CARSON scout with search indicated 6 VCS, 1 VC was seen attempting to flee area. VC was shot and killed, body was taken by current in river. VCS were turned over to District Headquarters.
			F-H- None.
			I- 1 (confirmed)
			J-K- None.
			L- 6
			M-N- None.
G	S-3	1940	G/2/C now departing CP.
F	S-3	2000	F/1/C now departing CP.
H	S-3	2021	At 1815H, H/2 at AT 974674 received 10 rounds small arms fire from AT 967674. Returned fire with platoon weapons. Searched area with negative results.
All Units	S-3	2230	All Secure.
G	S-3	2323	G/2/C has returned to CP.
F	S-3	2348	F/1/B has returned to CP.
G	S-3	2356	C/1/C now departing CP.
All Units	S-3	2400	All Secure.

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G	S-3	0035	G/1/B has returned to CP.
F	S-3	0055	F/1/A and F/1/C have returned to CP.
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.
F	S-3	0430	F/3/A now departing CP.
All Units	S-3	0500	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0600	All Secure.
H&S	S-3	0630	Road sweep now departing CP.
G	S-3	1000	G/1/B now departing CP.
H&S	S-3	1200	H&S security patrol now departing CP.
CO	S-3	1332	CO now departing CP.
G	S-3	1540	G/2/B has returned to CP.
H	S-3	1621	H/3/A has returned to CP.
H	S-3	1836	Received resupply request. Passed to S-4.
H	S-3	1900	H/3/A now departing CP.
H	S-3	1956	H/1/B now departing CP.
H	S-3	2010	H/1/A now departing CP.
H	S-3	2052	H/3/A now in night position (AT 970664).
H	S-3	2120	Request fire mission at AT 968672 and AT 967675.
F	S-3	2230	F/1 now departing CP.
G	S-3	2304	G/2/C now departing CP.
H	S-3	2320	H/1/B has returned to CP.
F	S-3	2320	F/1 has returned to CP with 3 US WIA's.
H	S-3	2327	H/3/A has returned to CP.
S-3	Regt	2358	SPOT REPORT #1 A- Co F Squad Ambush B- 032305H C- BT G:2634 D- Co F squad patrol member detonated mine resulting in 3 WIA's. E- Patrol returned to CP with casualties. One WIA to be med-evaced at 040700H. F- None. G- 3. H-N- None.
All Units	S-3	2400	All Secure.

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F	S-3	0030	F/1/A has returned to CP.
H	S-3	0040	H/1/A has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0100	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0200	All Secure.
G	S-3	0240	G/2/G has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0300	All Secure.
F	S-3	0310	F/3 now departing CP.
All Units	S-3	0400	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0500	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0600	All Secure.
H&S	S-3	0635	H&S road sweep now departing CP.
G	S-3	0805	G/1/B now departing CP.
F	S-3	0811	F/6 and F/2 have departed CP.
G	S-3	0900	G/2/B now departing CP.
G	S-3	0904	G/1/B has returned to CP.
H	S-3	0921	H/1/A now departing CP.
F	S-3	0953	Position report (AT 999613).
H	S-3	1017	H/1/A at AT 995641 spotted 8 VC moving south took under fire dropped one. Seven continue to move south.
F	S-3	1028	Request fire mission at AT 999613.
F	S-3	1050	Enroute to CP with 3 US WIA's.
S-3	S-3	1112	SPOT REPORT #2 A- Co F Squed Ambush B- 040740H C- Fr: BT 003611 En: AT 998612 D- Patrol observed 7 VC entering hamlet at referenced coordinates. Five had weapons, VC alert (drums) were sounded and VC exited toward west. E- Ambush opened fire and called in artillery and searched area. Found 3 VC KIA. No weapons were found. F-H- None. I- 3 (confirmed) J-N- None.
F	S-3	1147	Request med-evac for 2 US WIA's at Bn CP.
S-3	Regt	1203	SPOT REPORT #3 A- Co H Platoon Patrol B- 040900H C- Fr: AT 968678 En: AT 967675 D- Patrol searching area of artillery mission of 032130H received small arms fire from referenced coordinates. E- Patrol returned fire and assaulted VC position, discovering a blood pool and a cigarette lighter inscribed "403". While

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S-3	Regt 1210		on this position on VN women WIA bearing the body of a dead child came to platoon headquarters seeking treatment, which was given. F-I- None. J- 1 K-M- None. N- Cigarette lighter SPOT REPORT #4 A- Co F Squad Patrol B- 040930H C- AT 995615 D- Squad in pursuit of VC detonated 3 mines at referenced coordinates resulting in 3 US WIA's (minor). E- Casualties being returned to Bn CP for treatment. F- None. G- 3 (minor) H-N- None.
S-3	Regt 1215		SPOT REPORT #5 A- Co H Fire Team OP B- 041035H C- Fr: AT 992643 En: AT 994637 D- Fire team OP observed 8 VC running in the vicinity of referenced coordinates. Squad dispatched to intercept; opened fire killing 1 VC. E- Squad remaining at position to cover area by fire. Body of VC laying in open under observation. F-H- None. I- 1 J-N- None. Request med-evac for 1 US WIA at Bn CP.
Note	S-3	1225	Med-evac complete.
Air	S-3	1236	
S-3	Regt 1311		SPOT REPORT #6 A- H&S Squad Security Patrol B- 041020H C- BT 019638 D- Patrol set off what is believed to be a grenade rigged with a trip wire as it passed through a hedge line. Type of grenade unknown. E- One US WIA (minor) was a result of the detonation. Treated at BAS. F- None. G- 1 (minor) H-N- None.
Note	S-3	1311	At 1230H G/3 and F/1 were dispatched for a blocking force for 3/1.
G	S-3	1330	G/3 and F/1 now in blocking position along the south of VINH DIEN river, GS 0266, 0267.

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F	S-3	1545	F/2/A has returned to CP.
S-3	Regt	1555	SPOT REPORT #9 A- Co-F Platoon Petrol B- 061320H C- 5i 026667 D- F/1 patrol entered village at referenced coordinates, from north. Discovered 8 men in 1 house. Search of house conducted. E- Found 1 bundle of papers hidden in an 8lms cennister in the roof of house, 1 home made pistol and 2 tons of rice. Eight men being detained as VCS. F-K- None. L- 8 M- As above. N- As above.
F	S-3	1658	F/1 observed 1 VC running with weapon at BT 030670. Took VC under fire with small arms. Notified Co L of 3/1 because VC was in their TAOR.
MT	S-3	1720	All vehicles have reported in.
S-3	Regt	1733	Called in addition to Co F activities.
G	S-3	1815	Resupply request passed to S-4.
Note	S-3	1816	ONTOS and trucks dispatched to pick up F/1 at Highway #1 near BT 016674.
H	S-3	1923	At 1800H Co H at their CP exchanged small arms fire with unknown number of VC at AT 994637.
H	S-3	1945	Resupply request passed to S-4.
H	S-3	2018	H/1/C now departing CP.
S-3	Regt	2040	SPOT REPORT #12 A- 2/1 B- 042005H C- Fr: BT 015627 En: Unknown D- Man was wounded in the head at the Bn CP taeeter by a stray round fired from an unknown enemy position. E- WIA, med-evaced from 2/1 CP, died enroute to NSK. F- 1 G-N- None.
G	S-3	2110	G/3/C now departing CP.
H	S-3	2325	H/1/A has returned to CP.
H	S-3	2341	H/1/B has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	2400	All Secure.

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G	S-3	0010	G/2/C has returned to CP.
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.
All Units	S-3	0600	All Secure.
H&S	S-3	0630	H&S road sweep now departing CP.
G	S-3	0823	G/3/C now departing CP.
AT's	S-3	0900	AmTreas now departing CP.
G	S-3	0909	G/3/C patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 003677).
31	S-3	0920	Wire Team now departing CP.
G	S-3	0940	G/2/B now departing CP.
G	S-3	0944	G/3/C patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 007679).
AT's	S-3	0950	AmTreas spotted 4 VC running from them into a house at AT 998616. Engaging VC with fire.
G	S-3	1000	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 036720).
H	S-3	1003	H/3/A now departing CP.
G	S-3	1005	G/1/B now departing CP.
31	S-3	1006	Wire Team has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1008	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 029721).
G	S-3	1015	G/1/B patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 002700).
G	S-3	1019	G/2/B has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1021	G/1/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 005702).
G	S-3	1030	G/1/B patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 005704).
G	S-3	1038	G/1/B patrol at Ck Pt #4 (BT 002704).
G	S-3	1050	G/3/C patrol at Ck Pt #4 (BT 002685).
G	S-3	1055	G/1/B has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1056	G/2/B has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1120	G/3/C has returned to CP.
H	S-3	1145	H/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 973661).
Regt	S-3	1145	Notified of downed helicopter at BT 048643).
Note	S-3	1145	Sending Sparrow Hawk into area of downed helicopter. Aircraft requested.
Note	S-3	1155	At 1145H Co F platoon was notified for immediate dispatch to area of downed helo.
Note	S-3	1210	CH-46's landed in 2/1 LZ to pick up Co F Sparrow Hawk.
F	S-3	1215	F/3 now departing CP.
3/1	S-3	1305	Co M of 3/1 position report (BT 055636).
S-3	M/1	1313	Directed Command to deploy along east bank of river and cover hamlet on the other side of river.
F	S-3	1315	Position reports: F/2 at BT 038630, F/3 squad at BT 042640).
H	S-3	1330	H/2/A patrol at Ck Pt #3 (AT 968665).
S-3	Regt	1340	M/1 requested to move to blocking position at BT 050646 to BT 059634. F/1 position at BT 052633 and BT 054633, F/2 at BT 043640 to BT 047643.

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F/3	S-3	1350	Position report (BT 047632).
Air	S-3	1400	Making preparations to dismantle of the downed helicopter.
F	S-3	1405	Reports 3 VCS at BT 052633.
H	S-3	1411	H/3/A at AT 972662 received 5 rounds small arms fire from AT 969666. Returned fire with squad weapons. Enemy fire ceased and patrol continued.
S-3	Regt	1415	Notified Regiment of Co F starting sweep. Awaiting information of the M-60 on the helicopter and preparations to dismantle downed helicopter.
AT's	S-3	1449	ONTOS have returned to CP.
F	S-3	1450	Co F reports they have 2 VCS at BT 050635.
H	S-3	1510	H/3/A has returned to CP.
S-3	Regt	1525	S:CP REPORT #8 A- Co F Fire Team Patrol B- 051340H C- Fr: AT 995617 En: AT 991613 D- ONTOS security fire team from F/2 received 6 rounds small arms fire and returned fire with 250 rounds 30 caliber. Fire team leader saw 1 VC fall. E- Security team remained in position and were extracted when the ONTOS was repaired. Primary mission was ONTOS security. Due to distance and river barrier area was not searched. F-H- None. I- 1 (probable) J-N- None.
S-3	Air	1610	One civilian woman has a child shot through the neck, request emergency med-evac at 2/1 CP.
Air	S-3	1721	Med-evac complete for civilian child.
F	S-3	1752	F/1 and F/2 have returned to CP.
MT	S-3	1800	All vehicles have reported back in CP.
S-3	Regt	1905	SPOT REPORT #14 A- Co H CP B- 051720H C- Fr: AT 986645 En: AT 995638 and AT 979649 D- Co H CP received heavy small arms fire during helicopter resupply of platoon patrol base. E- Fire returned with small arm fire, 60mm and 81mm mortars, and 106RR. VC broke contact helicopter resupply completed. Three dead VC observed laying in open across river barrier. One VC observed to be hit and hobble into treeline.

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F-H- None.
 I- 3 (confirmed)
 J- 1 (confirmed)
 K-M- None.
 SPOT REPORT #15

A- Go W
 B- 051200H
 C- Fr: BT 050630, BT 045640 En: BT 052633,
 BT 049636, and BT 054635
 D- Co F launched Sparrow Hawk aircraft to
 assist downed helicopter. Small arms in the
 vicinity of BT 050630 indicated VC activity
 throughout the area. One platoon Co F moved
 to block northern area, and 1 platoon joined
 other platoon at downed aircraft. Co M 3/1
 moved to form block at BT 054635.
 E- Platoon at downed aircraft observed 3 VC
 fleeing area. Platoon opened fire; 1 VC KIA
 (confirmed), 1 VC WIA (confirmed) and 1 VC
 KIA (probable). Body carried away. Two pla-
 toons formed on line between coordinates
 BT 047630 and BT 054632 and swept north to
 platoon blocking vicinity BT 045640. Sweep
 force observed 1 VC taken under fire and
 wounded but escaped in tree line. At BT 049
 636 platoon apprehended 3 VCS; 1 had CHOU
 HOI pass. At BT 054635 platoon apprehended
 6 VCS. VCS now at Bn CP being screened by
 ITT. VCS with CHIEU HOI pass separated from
 other VCS. S-2 to submit follow up on VCS.

F-H- None.
 I- 2 (1 confirmed, 1 probable)
 J- 2
 K- None.
 L- 10
 M-N- None.

G/2/C now departing CP.
 H/1/A now departing CP.
 H/1/B and H/1/C now departing CP.
 G/3/A now departing CP.
 F/1/A now departing CP.
 F/1/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 019633).
 H/1/A, H/1/B and H/1/C have returned to CP.
 G/2/C has returned to CP.
 All Secure.

G S-3 1935
 H S-3 2005
 H S-3 2015
 G S-3 2158
 F S-3 2253
 F S-3 2308
 H S-3 2328
 G S-3 2344
 All Units S-3 2400

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F	S-3	0030	F/1/A has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0100	All Secure.
F	S-3	0102	F/1/B now departing CP.
All Units	S-3	0200	All Secure.
F	S-3	0300	F/1/B has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0300	All Secure.
G	S-3	0345	G/3/A has returned to CP.
F	S-3	0350	F/2 now departing CP.
All Units	S-3	0400	All Secure.
F	S-3	0415	F/1/C now departing CP.
All Units	S-3	0500	All Secure.
F	S-3	0523	F/1/D has returned to CP.
F	S-3	0556	Co F requests 2 fire missions at BT 024604 and BT 020612.
All Units	S-3	0600	All Secure.
H&S	S-3	0654	Road sweep now departing CP.
F	S-3	0722	Co F requests fire mission at BT 025605.
S-3	Regt	0731	SPOT REPORT A- F/2/A B- 060530H C- Fr: BT 025613 En: BT 024608 D- Co F platoon point moving into position received fire from 3 VC resulting in 1 US WIA. E- Fire returned and VC pursued. Artillery mission fired on BT 024608. Search of area revealed 2 dead VC, 1 VC WIA captured, and 3 VCS apprehended. F- None. G- 1 (minor) H- None. I- 2 (confirmed) J- None. K- 1 (confirmed) L- 3 M- One M-14 rifle, 4 magazines, one M-26 grenade, and a home made selector for M-14. N- Poncho, and cartridge belt.
F	S-3	0755	Request fire mission at BT 053627.
G	S-3	0820	G/2/B now departing CP.
31	S-3	0833	Wire Team now departing CP.
31	S-3	0920	Wire Team has returned to CP.
F	S-3	0921	Request fire mission at BT 011609.
H	S-3	0957	H/1 now departing CP.
Regt	S-3	0958	Received weather report. Passed on to S-2.
G	S-3	1117	G/2/B has returned to CP.

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F	S-3	1118	AT 0840H Co F patrol sighted 4 VC with weapons at BT 016612. Fired small arms and artillery called. Searched area after artillery mission with negative results.
S-3	Regt 1123		SPOT REPORT #3 A- Co F Resupply B- 051600H C- BT 045628 D- Resupply party found bodies of 3 VC males 17-30 years old at referenced coordinates. Bodies had multiple gunshot wounds. No weapons or papers found on bodies. E- Due to yesterday's Sparrow Hawk. F-H- None. I- 3 J-N- None.
S-3	Regt 1127		SPOT REPORT #4 A- Co F PPB B- 051930H C- BT 047629 D- VN male walked into PPB apparently intoxicated. Accompanied by VN female. Male approximately 35 years old. Female said man was a VC. E- Apprehended male and returned him to Bn CP for interrogation. F-J- None. K- 1 L-N- None.
F	S-3	1209	Reports that some stray small arms rounds are coming close to their position. 51st ARVN notified of incident in case rounds came from their position. HOA VANG also notified.
B/1/D S-3	S-3 Regt 1240	1232 1240	Received Med Cap report. Passed on to S-5. SPOT REPORT #6 A- Co H Squad Patrol B- 061055H C- Fr: AT 994643 En: AT 999635 D- Squad patrol while investigating a raft concealed under water observed 6 VC across the river running away from patrol. E- Squad fired on VC and 3 were observed to reach treeline and disappear. Area not swept due to river barrier. Observation of bodies, prevented by tall brush. Raft destroyed, patrol continued mission. F-H- None. I- 3 (probable) J-M- None. N- Raft destroyed.

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S-3	H	1304	Send a squad to cross HA DONG bridge. H/1 move along river coordinates BT 001645.
S-3	F	1305	Send platoon to sweep BICH NAM (2) at BT 002638.
G	S-3	1356	G/1/B now departing CP.
H	S-3	1359	H/1 requests emergency med-evac at BT 002647.
H/3	S-3	1402	Position report (BT 002645).
F	S-3	1411	F/3 beginning sweep.
H	S-3	1420	H/1 now receiving fire from the south.
Note	S-3	1432	Med-evac complete.
S-3	F	1440	Observed VC at AT 994637. Request you sweep in that direction.
G	S-3	1447	G/1/B has returned to CP.
H	S-3	1457	H/1 has Co F unit in sight.
F	S-3	1504	Request fire mission at AT 994635.
H/1	S-3	1506	Position report (AT 990642).
H	S-3	1510	Observed 12 VC at AT 994635. Six had weapons.
F/3	S-3	1522	Position report (AT 995636).
G	S-3	1529	G/3/A has returned to CP.
H	S-3	1531	Two VC down at AT 995635 and other VC moving at AT 993637.
F/2	S-3	1535	Request fire mission at BT 022607.
F	S-3	1604	Request med-evac for 2 US WIA's and 1 VC WIA at BT 019617.
H&S	S-3	1620	H&S security patrol has returned to CP.
H	S-3	1622	One USMC drowned in river and another USMC was saved but had to be med-evaced.
F/3	S-3	1630	Request fire mission at AT 993635.
H	S-3	1630	F/3 is now receiving heavy VC fire. Co H element sending support.
Regt	S-3	1650	Enemy sighted at AT 977676. AO will be on station. H/2/A dispatched.
MT	S-3	1712	All vehicles have returned to CP.
F	S-3	1713	F/3 swept area with negative results.
H/1	S-3	1720	H/2/A swept AT 977676 with negative results.
H/1	S-3	1737	All Co F elements have returned to CP.
G	S-3	1930	G/2/C now departing CP.
S-3	Regt	1931	SPOT REPORT #12 A- Co H Combat Patrol (platoon) B- 061500H C- Fr: BT 004646 En: BT 004644 D- Patrol observed 2 VC (one with rifle) at referenced coordinates. VC taken under fire with small arms. One VC KIA, others fled into treeline. E- Fire team attempted to swim river. One Marine swept under by current. One pulled out and had to be med-evaced. Patrol searched river for drowned victim with negative results.

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
			F- None.
			G- 1 (med-evaced)
			H- 1 (drowned)
			I- 1 (probable)
			J-N- None.
S-3	Regt 1932		SPOT REPORT #13 A- Co H Squad Combat Patrol B- 061530H C- Fr: AT 990642 En: AT 995635 and AT 994635. D- Patrol observed 9 VC with rifles at referenced coordinates. E- VC taken under fire with small arms and artillery direct fire. Two VC hit by small arms and artillery fire. VC moved to second set of referenced coordinates. Artillery mission called, unable to search area due to river barrier. F-H- None. I- 2 (probable) J-N- None.
S-3	Regt 1934		At 061540H, Co F Platoon Combat Patrol dispatched to search area of Co H Combat Patrol observed VC run from Co F elements. Co F element fired on VC killing 1 (confirmed). No weapon or papers were found.
S-3	Regt 1940		SPOT REPORT #16 At 061830H, Co H patrol reacting on intelligence information searched area and received small arms fire. One VCS ran from patrol but was apprehended. VCS to be forwarded to En CP.
S-3	Regt 1950		SPOT REPORT #17 At 061600H, Co F patrol at BT 019617 returning from combined operation with the ARVN received small arms fire from BT 019612. One USMC WIA was a result of enemy fire. Patrol returned fire, 81mm mortar mission called. Area swept with negative results.
H	S-3	2000	H/3/A now departing CP.
H	S-3	2050	H/2/A now departing CP.
H	S-3	2102	H/1/A now departing CP.
F	S-3	2102	F/1/C now departing CP.
F	S-3	2235	F/1/C reports that flareship illumination slowing their movement.
H&S	S-3	2300	H&S LP has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	2300	All Secure.
H	S-3	2320	H/3/B now departing CP.

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FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
G	S-3	2334	G/2/C has returned to CP.
H	S-3	2335	H/3/A has returned to CP.
Regt	S-3	2350	Notified S-3 of 22-5 inch buds in GS's 9769, 9669, 9768, and 9668. Co H notified to send patrols into area at first light.

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FROM: 070001H December 1966
TO: 072400H December 1966

FROM	TO	TIME	MESS. CTS
All Units	S-3	0100	All Secure.
H	S-3	0108	H/1/A has returned to CP.
Regt	S-3	0115	Have notified engineers concerning duds, they have agreed to let 2/1 have additional personnel. Engineers will notify us in the morning of arrival time. Regiment will coordinate with 2/1.
All Units	S-3	0200	All Secure.
H	S-3	0250	H/3/B has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0300	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0400	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0500	All Secure.
F	S-3	0516	F/3/3 now departing CP.
H&S	S-3	0640	Road sweep now departing CP.
G	S-3	0710	G/3/A now departing CP.
H	S-3	0715	H/3/A now departing CP.
31	S-3	0815	Wire team now departing CP.
H	S-3	0823	H/1/C now departing CP.
F	S-3	0837	F/3 has returned to CP.
G	S-3	0904	G/1 reports they have 4 VCS without ID cards.
H	S-3	0905	H/1 and Recon team now departing CP.
H	S-3	1045	H/3/A has returned to CP.
S-3	Regt	1120	SPOT REPORT #9 At 1020H, H/1 at BT 003645 spotted 3 VC in sam pan. Kit Carson identified them as local VC. VC were taken under fire with M-60 MG. Boat sank, 1 body disappeared in water. Another was seen to be hit, but made it to shore and disappeared into treeline. VC who went into treeline was seen to be carrying a weapon. One VC KIA probable and 1 VC WIA probable.
H&S	S-3	1150	H&S security patrol has returned to CP.
31	S-3	1237	Wire team has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1300	At 1230H, G/3 at AT 986695 received small arms fire from AT 986693. Enemy fire was believed to be from an M-14 rifle. Returned fire and swept area. Discovered punji pits.
H	S-3	1522	H/1 and Recon team have returned to CP.
F	S-3	1542	F/1 has departed CP.
G	S-3	1558	G/3/A has returned CP.
BT	S-3	1815	All vehicles have reported back in CP.
Regt	S-3	1830	Co F relieved of BALD EAGLE as of 1800H.
F	S-3	1837	Co F requests emergency med-evac for 1 WIA.

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FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
S-3	Regt	1840	Cancel all Co F night activities.
F	S-3	1855	Med-evac complete.
F	S-3	2000	Reports that med-evaced Marine's rifle is missing.
S-3	Regt	2050	SPOT REPORT At 1815H, Co H fire team OP at AT 990643 observed 4 VC with weapons at AT 992637 and AT 995637. Squad was dispatched to enemy position and received small arms fire. VC ran into hut and were taken under MG fire. One VC was seen to be hit and fall. Hut was hit directly by 106RR and direct fire artillery. Area not searched due to river barrier. Four probable VC KIA's.
H	S-3	2110	H/3/A now departing CP.
F	S-3	2111	Received resupply request. Passed on to S-4.
G	S-3	2120	G/3/B now departing CP.
H	S-3	2213	H/1/B now departing CP.
H	S-3	2303	H/1/A has returned to CP.
J&S	S-3	2316	LP's have returned to CP.
G	S-3	2335	G/1/C has returned to CP.
S-3	Regt	2358	SPOT REPORT #1 At 1745H, Co F platoon moving to block received small arms fire from 3 VC at BT 012 611. Returned fire and assaulted enemy position with negative results. One US WIA resulted from enemy fire.
All Units	S-3	2400	All Secure.

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FROM: 080001H December 1966
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FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
All Units	S-3	0100	All Secure.
H	S-3	0146	H/1/B has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0200	All Secure.
G	S-3	0233	G/3/B has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0300	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0400	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0500	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0600	All Secure.
H	S-3	0620	H/3/A now departing CP.
F	S-3	0720	Request emergency med-evac for 1 US WIA at BT 097610.
F	S-3	0746	Med evac complete.
S-3	Regt	0810	At 0715h, Co F squad patrol leader was mistaken for a VC and shot by a squad member. Marine was med-evaced.
G	S-3	0825	G/2/B now departing CP.
Regt	S-3	0845	Received weather report. Passed on to S-2.
F *	S-3	0928	Request fire mission at BT 018604.
F	S-3	0945	At 0915H Co F squad patrol observed 6 VC at BT 017605. One had a weapon and 2 had packs. Called artillery mission. Area not checked due to river barrier.
G	S-3	1006	G/2/B has returned to CP.
S-3	Regt	1016	Cancel all Co F activities for 8 December.
H&S	S-3	1033	H&S security patrol now departing CP.
F	S-3	1040	Request fire mission at BT 017603.
E/1/D	S-3	1101	Received Med Cap report. Passed on to S-5.
Note	S-3	1130	G/3 now OPCON to Co F to assist in blocking force.
S-3	Regt	1205	SPGT REPORT #5 At 1100H, Co F blocking position observed 3 VC with weapons coming from treeline. Artillery mission called. Four more VC ran from treeline. Second artillery mission called. Observed 2 VC to fall. Artillery mission had excellent coverage. Did not search area due to river barrier. Two VC KIA probable and 5 VC WIA probable.
S-3	Regt	1210	At 1045H, Co F blocking position took 1 VC in boat under fire. VC fell into river and sank. Fire team checked area with negative results. VC body did not come up. One VC KIA probable.
H	S-3	1242	H/1/A has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1345	G/1/A now departing CP.

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FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
F	S-3	1445	Received resupply request. Passed on to S-4.
H&S	S-3	1450	H&S security patrol has returned to CP.
H	S-3	1545	H/3/A has returned to CP.
F	S-3	1716	Request emergency med-evac for 1 US WIA.
MT	S-3	1720	All vehicles have returned to CP.
F	S-3	1800	Med-evac complete.
S-3	Regt	1904	SPOT REPORT #13 At 1750H, G/3 at BT 023607 received 1 round sniper fire from BT 019606 resulting in 1 US WIA.
E	S-3	1917	E/2/A now departing CP.
H	S-3	1918	H/1/A now departing CP.
H	S-3	2011	H/3/A now departing CP.
All Units	S-3	2100	All Secure.
H	S-3	2233	H/1/A has returned to CP.
E	S-3	2310	E/2/A has returned to CP.
1/1	S-3	2315	Notified that Co F and elements of Co G need resupplies for 1 day.
All Units	S-3	2400	All Secure.

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FROM	TO	TIME	MESS/GNS
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	S-3	0445	E/1 now departing CP.
All Units	S-3	0500	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0600	All Secure.
H/S	S-3	0650	Road sweep now departing CP.
F	S-3	0735	Request fire mission at AT 997615.
H	S-3	0915	H/1 now departing CP.
H	S-3	0918	H/3/A now departing CP.
G	S-3	0920	G/1/B now departing CP.
S-3	Regt	1020	At 0750H, G/3 at BT 020606 observed 1 VC in open with weapon. Took VC under fire and observed him to be hit and fall. River prevented a search for the body. One VC WIA probable.
G	S-3	1040	G/1/B has returned to CP.
F	S-3	1243	E/2/A now departing CP.
G	S-3	1330	G/2/B now departing CP.
H	S-3	1350	H/3/A has returned to CP.
E/1/D	S-3	1355	Request med-evac for 2 VN civilians with 3rd degree burns.
G	S-3	1530	G/2/B has returned to CP.
F	S-3	1620	Co F reports finding missing rifle that was lost during med-evac at 071855H.
F	S-3	1730	Request fire mission at AT 994611.
MT	S-3	1732	All vehicles have returned to CP.
F	S-3	1800	Co F has returned to CP.
S-3	Regt	2135	NOT REPORT #24 At 2000H, Co G platoon security at AT 996708 observed 2 VC approaching bridge in boat. Fired small arms at VC. VC returned fire. Tank fired 90mm rounds and sank boat. Area searched by motor launch. Two VC KIA probable.
G	S-3	2230	G/2/C now departing CP.
E	S-3	2320	E/1 and E/2 have returned to CP.
H	S-3	2327	H/1/A has returned to CP.
H	S-3	2350	H/3/A has returned to CP.
H	S-3	2352	H/1/A has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	2400	All Secure.

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FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
All Units	S-3	0100	All Secure.
G	S-3	0130	G/2/C has returned to CP.
H	S-3	0135	H/3/B now departing CP.
All Units	S-3	0200	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0300	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0400	All Secure.
H	S-3	0425	H/3/B has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0500	All Secure.
E	S-3	0510	E/3 now departing CP.
All Units	S-3	0600	All Secure.
H&S	S-3	0630	Road sweep now departing CP.
H	S-3	0830	H/2/A now departing CP.
Regt	S-3	0912	Received weather report. Passed on to S-2.
H	S-3	1045	At 0915H, Co H squad size patrol received 8 rounds small arms fire from AT 972664. Returned fire, swept area with negative results.
H	S-3	1220	H/2/A has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1317	G/2/B now departing CP.
G	S-3	1400	G/1/A has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1512	G/2/B has returned to CP.
H	S-3	1615	Dispatched one platoon east of hamlet DONG.
S-3	Regt	1723	SPOT REPORT #17 - - At 1445H, H/1/A squad blocking position at AT 963676 observed 2 VC at AT 965679. VC taken under fire. VC broke contact. H/1/A resumed blocking position. One USN WIA.
E/3/A	S-3	1735	Position report (BT 019640).
E/2/A	S-3	2005	Position report (BT 026634).
H	S-3	2006	H/1/A and H/1/B now departing CP.
H	S-3	2030	H/3/A, B, C now departing CP.
H	S-3	2100	H/2/A, B, C, D now departing CP.
All Units	S-3	2200	All Secure.
E	S-3	2250	E/2/A has returned to CP.
E	S-3	2305	E/3 has returned to CP.
H	S-3	2350	H/1/A and H/1/B have returned to CP.
H	S-3	2355	H/3/A, B, C have returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	2400	All Secure.

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FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
All Units	S-3	0100	All Secure.
H	S-3	0110	H/2/A, B, C have returned to CP.
E	S-3	0115	E/1 now departing CP.
H	S-3	0150	H/2/D has returned to CP.
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.
All Units	S-3	0600	All Secure.
E	S-3	0640	E/1 has returned to CP.
R&S	S-3	0642	Road sweep now departing CP.
A&S	S-3	0730	Anderson Trail open for traffic.
H	S-3	0800	H/3/A now departing CP.
H	S-3	0810	H/1/A now departing CP.
G	S-3	0850	G/2/B now departing CP.
S-2	S-3	0945	Received report that 6 VCS boats at BT 019 680 with 2 men in 3 boats and 3 men in the other 3 boats. Boats carrying obvious cargo. AO reported that boats were hidden under trees on the east bank of river.
H/3/A	S-3	0955	Position report (BT 006659).
S-3	E	0956	One squad from Co E moving out on 6x6 vehicle to position of 6 VCS boats at BT 019680. Will pick up ARVN liaison at 1/51 compound.
Regt	S-3	1035	Reports that the 6 boats are friendly VN. The 59th ARVN have checked the boats and found 2 full of sand, and 4 with market goods.
S-3	E	1036	Co E squad return to Bn CP.
CO	S-3	1230	CC now departing CP.
G	S-3	1315	G/3/A now departing CP.
G	S-3	1335	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 992688).
E	S-3	1336	Co E security patrol now departing CP.
G	S-3	1500	G/3/B request fire mission at AT 981690.
S-3	S-4	1505	Report a disabled Mite at BT 016710. Request a tow back to Bn CP.
G	S-3	1625	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 981692).
E	S-3	1645	E/2/B has returned to CP.
H	S-3	1700	Returned to CP with negative results of search for MIA of 6 December 1966.
S-3	Regt	1725	SPOT REPORT #21 At 1440H, G/3/A at AT 987689 received 15 rounds small arms fire from AT 985689. Returned fire with small arms, 10 M-79, and MG. Swept area and found great amount of blood. Followed blood trail for 300 meters and lost trail. One US WIA. One VC WIA (confirmed).
MT	S-3	1800	All vehicles have returned to CP.

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FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
H	S-3	1955	H/W/A now departing CP.
S-1	S-3	2000	NSA has identified dead Marine found in river near Da Nang Ferry as that of missing Co H member.
S-3	H	2001	Notified Co H that MIA has been found.
G	S-3	2104	G/3/B now departing CP.
H	S-3	2112	H/2/A now departing CP.
H	S-3	2117	H/1 FPB received 20 rounds small arms fire from VC positions at AT 969665, AT 968672, and AT 968684. Returned fire with 60mm mortars and called in artillery with excellent coverage of target. Sweep of area to take place at first light.
G	S-3	2131	G/3/B patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 992690).
S-3	Regt	2142	Notified of additions to activities for 12 December 1966.
G	S-3	2212	G/3/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 994642).
Regt	S-3	2235	Special agent reports VC at AT 968656. No action taken due to friendly ambushes in that vicinity.
G	S-3	2250	G/2/C now departing CP.
H	S-3	2258	H/1/A, B, C now departing CP.
G	S-3	2313	G/2/C patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 034726).
H	S-3	2314	H/3/L now departing CP.
All Units	S-3	2400	All Secure.

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All Units	S-3	0100	All Secure.
H	S-3	0104	H/2/A has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0200	All Secure.
G	S-3	0220	G/2/C has returned to CP.
G	S-3	0235	G/3/C has returned to CP.
H	S-3	0240	H/1/A, B, C have returned to CP.
K	S-3	0245	H/3/A, B have returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0300	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0400	All Secure.
Regt	S-3	0450	Received Intelligence report.
All Units	S-3	0500	All Secure.
E	S-3	0515	Co E now departing CP.
All Units	S-3	0600	All Secure.
H&S	S-3	0620	Road sweep now departing CP.
H&S	S-3	0710	Anderson Trail now opened for traffic.
G	S-3	0804	G/2/B now departing CP.
G	S-3	0810	G/3 now departing CP.
G	S-3	0812	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 034727).
G	S-3	0837	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 033722).
Regt	S-3	0900	Received weather report. Passed on to S-2.
H	S-3	0910	H/1/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 972682).
H	S-3	0911	H/2/A now departing CP.
G/3	S-3	0922	Position report (BT 034722).
G	S-3	0930	Received day and night activities for 13 Dec.
H	S-3	0938	H/1/A patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 970686).
G	S-3	0940	Bridge at G/1 position will be closed until 1300H for road repairs. Information passed on to MT and S-4.
Regt	S-3	1000	Large number of people (VN or VC unknown) are crossing the river into our TAOR. Unusually large number possibly indicates a compromise of operation in that vicinity.
S-3	G	1005	Passed Intelligence report to Co G CO.
H	S-3	1015	H/2/A patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 003654).
E	S-3	1025	Co E S&D operation at AT 999615 spotted 3-6 VC at AT 995609. Received 5 rounds small arms fire. Returned fire with small arms and called in artillery mission. Search of area now in progress.
H	S-3	1030	H/1/A patrol at Ck Pt #3 (AT 965687).
H	S-3	1055	H/2/A patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 011657).
Air	S-3	1100	CG 1st Mar Div has arrived at Bn CP.
Air	S-3	1135	CG 1st Mar Div has departed Bn CP.
G	S-3	1135	G/3 units set up along river between C&M NE (4) and C&K NE (5) and boat patrolling river.

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H	S-3	1137	H/2/A patrol at Ck Pt #4 (BT 004659).
H	S-3	1155	H/1/A patrol at Ck Pt #4 (AT 970688).
31	S-3	1200	Wire team has returned to CP.
E/1/D	S-3	1205	Received Med Cap report. Passed on to S-5.
S-3	Regt	1410	STOT L. ORT #6 At 1100H, H/2/A apprehended 1 VN male who was hiding to avoid detection. VCS was wearing military uniform under his civilian clothes. VCS believed to be a VC sympathizer. VCS to be forwarded to Bn S-2.
G	S-3	1436	G/1/A now departing CP.
H	S-3	1438	H/2/A has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1533	G/3/A has returned to CP.
E	S-3	1540	Received resupply request. Passed on to S-4.
G	S-3	1625	Received resupply request. Passed on to S-4.
Regt	S-3	1630	Regiment requests that we conduct a "Counter punch" drill tonight.
G	S-3	1630	G/2/D returned to G/2 CP at 0945H.
CO	S-3	1630	CO at 1/11 now returning to Bn CP.
H	S-3	1630	H/1/A has returned to CP.
S-3	G	1800	3rd Tank Bn reports that bulk equipment has been seen being transferred from Sam Pans at AT 995700. Reports indicate attempt on the bridge likely.
MT	S-3	1822	All vehicles have returned to CP.
E	S-3	1925	Co E sending squad size patrol into vicinity of BICH NAM (1) at AT BT 001635.
S-3	Co's	1930	MACV security warning passed to all units.
H	S-3	1953	At 1845H, Co H OI observed and fired on 3 figures that appeared to be driving bamboo stakes into the ground.
H	S-3	2000	H/2/A now departing CP.
H	S-3	2030	H/3/A, B, C now departing CP.
G	S-3	2040	G/2/C now departing CP.
G	S-3	2045	G/2/C patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 039729).
G	S-3	2100	G/2/C patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 043724).
G	S-3	2105	G/2/C now set in ambush position.
All Units	S-3	2200	All Secure.
H	S-3	2301	H/2/A, B, C now departing night time position.
H	S-3	2310	H/3/A, B, C now departing night time position.
G	S-3	2352	G/3/C now departing night time position.
All Units	S-3	2400	All Secure.

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FROM	TO	TIME	MESS. CTS
H	S-3	0006	H/3/A, B, C have returned to CP.
G	S-3	0015	G/2/C has returned to CP.
S-3	S-3	0030	Conducted Counter Punch at BT 038714.
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.
All Units	S-3	0600	All Secure.
H&S	S-3	0628	Road sweep now departing CP.
H&S	S-3	0725	Road sweep now completed.
G	S-3	0820	G/2/B now departing CP.
G	S-3	0830	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 028728).
G	S-3	0907	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 044723).
E	S-3	0935	Request fire mission at AT 9947713.
G	S-3	0935	G/2/D patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 038722).
H	S-3	0945	H/2/A now departing CP.
G	S-3	0947	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #4 (BT 035726).
G	S-3	0950	G/2/B has returned to CP.
H	S-3	1005	H/2/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 987653).
S-3	Regt	1005	At 0940H, Co E at BT 000640 observed man crossing river at BT 000641. Called to man to stop and he jumped into river and attempted to swim ashore under water. Taken under fire with small arms and M-79. Boat sank and man never surfaced.
H	S-3	1040	Request emergency med-evac at AT 973659.
H	S-3	1102	Med-evac complete.
S-3	Regt	1122	H/2/A patrol member detonated a box type mine at AT 973659. WIA was med-evaced and patrol continued mission.
S-3	Regt	1305	At 1220H, H/2/A received 1 sniper round from AT 974664 while attempting to blow a antitank mine in place. Mine blew in place. Patrol moving in to search area. One USMC WIA NE.
E	S-3	1306	Co E Marine accidentally shot himself in foot.
H	S-3	1330	Received small arms fire from VC in the vicinity of AU TRACH (1). One US KIA and 2 US WIA's. Priority med-evac requested.
H	S-3	1347	Med-evac complete. Squad maintaining contact with VC.
S	S-3	1400	Reinforced squad dispatched to join Co E on present location to escort casualty to CP.
S	S-3	1500	Patrol with casualty has returned to CP.

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S-3	Regt	1500	At 1325H, H/2/A at AT 972662 received 20 rounds small arms fire from AT 970664 resulting in 1 US KIA. Patrol returned fire with small arms. Called for mortars and artillery on VC position. VC broke contact. Search prevented by heavy concentration of mines from AT 971661 to AT 977662 where engineer assistance will be required. Casualty med-evaced.
E	S-3	1530	Spotted 15-28 VC at AT 995609. Artillery mission called.
S-3	1/1	1605	Request permission from 1/1 to pursue VC physically if they start to enter 1/1 TAOR.
E	S-3	1606	Co E element moving to AT 990608 to provide FO on VC position.
E	S-3	1608	Co E observed VC in vicinity of AT 981615 and AT 980618.
E/1/D	S-3	1645	Request med-evac for civilian.
E/1/D	S-3	1714	Med-evac complete
Regt	S-3	1900	Reports that there is an LVT broken down at AT 967700.
H	S-3	2005	H/1/A,B,C now departing CP.
H	S-3	2042	H/2/A now departing CP.
S-3	Regt	2150	Between 1500H and 1700H Co E on information received from 1/26 moved to AT 999618 and called artillery on 10-15 VC at AT 993608. Assaulted area and found 3 VC KIA with gunshot wounds. Captured 1 VCC WIA female who was turned over to 1/26 unit. Co E CP for tonight at AT 994617.
G	S-3	2250	G/2/C patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 033720).
S-3	Regt	2322	At 2140H, H/3/A received 15 rounds small arms fire from estimated 2 VC near AT 984544. Squad returned fire at muzzle flashes. One US KIA, one VC KIA (probable). One VC was seen running away from patrol.
H	S-3	2315	H/1/A,B,C have returned to CP.
G	S-3	2317	G/2/C has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	2400	All Secure.

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FROM: 140001W December 1966
TO: 142400H December 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.
All Units	S-3	0400	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0500	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0600	All Secure.
G	S-3	0825	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 010711).
G	S-3	0832	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 022723).
G	S-3	0840	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 033732).
H	S-3	0852	H/3/A now departing CP.
G	S-3	0854	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 038729).
Regt	S-3	0857	Received weather report. Passed on to S-2.
G	S-3	0857	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #4 (BT 041737).
G	S-3	0902	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #5 (BT 031731).
G	S-3	0907	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #6 (BT 021723).
G	S-3	0913	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #4 (BT 041720).
G	S-3	0918	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #7 (BT 010712).
G	S-3	0920	G/3/A has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1001	G/1/A patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 993692).
G	S-3	1005	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #5 (BT 041723).
H	S-3	1006	H/3/A has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1017	G/1/A has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1018	G/2/B has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1030	At 1000H, G/1 platoon combat patrol discovered 2 CHI COM grenades with trip wires and 3 dead falls in vicinity of AT 985602. All were destroyed in place.
S-3	Regt	1130	At 0905H, Co H security patrol at AT 976676 observed VN male in middle of route to patrol base. Man attempted to run and was apprehended. Search of area revealed a mine device consisting of a box containing 1-105 WP, 1-105 HE, and 1 round of unknown type. Mine wire leading to it from side of road. Mine was blown in place and VCC will be forward to ITT via Regiment.
E/L/D	S-3	1132	Received Med Cap report. Passed on to S-5.
H	S-3	1215	H/1 now departing PPB.
S-3	Regt	1302	Request Sparrow Hawk aircraft from Co H CP to AT 965658.
G	S-3	1306	G/3/C now departing CP.
G	S-3	1314	G/3/C patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 010711).
G	S-3	1317	G/3/C patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 022723).
G	S-3	1330	G/3/B patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 997699).
G	S-3	1335	G/3/C patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 033732).

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G	S-3	1350	Troops boarding helicopters at Co H CP. First wave in the air.
H	S-3	1353	On take off from Co H CP, helicopter received small arms fire resulting in 1 US WIA.
G	S-3	1427	G/3/C patrol at Ck Pt #4 (BT 041737).
G	S-3	1430	G/3/C patrol at Ck Pt #5 (BT 031731).
G	S-3	1434	G/3/C patrol at Ck Pt #6 (BT 021723).
G	S-3	1436	G/3/C patrol at Ck Pt #7 (BT 010712).
G	S-3	1443	G/3/C has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1444	G/3/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 993698).
ONTOS	S-3	1445	ONTOS now have Co E in sight.
G	S-3	1450	VN in Sam Pans hauling rice. Destroyed by Co G.
S-3	Regt	1457	AmTrachs will be running water borne patrol in river west of railroad bridges. Patrol will be in water from 142300H to approximately 150200H. Ensure that bridge platoon is notified.
S-3	Arty	1507	Commence prep fire of LZ at AT 965658. Helicopter was unable to land due to small arms fire.
H	S-3	1513	Helicopter back on station.
Arty	S-3	1540	Prep fire has ceased. Helicopter will attempt landing at this time.
F	S-3	1543	Co F enroute to Bn CP.
Note	S-3	1546	First wave of troops landed in LZ at AT 965658. Helicopters received small arms fire from treeline.
Note	S-3	1551	All troops in LZ at AT 965658.
H	S-3	1553	H/6 on the ground moving in with platoon.
Note	S-3	1607	Air strikes to be conducted at AT 960660.
S-3	Regt	1645	At 1545H, Co E platoon observed and fired on 2-3 VC. One appeared to be hit and fall. While 1 squad was crossing river to search for VC bodies 1 Marine slipped and disappeared under the water. Presumed drowned. Two platoon's now searching for MIA.
S-3	Regt	1653	At 1340H, Co H Sparrow Hawk platoon at GS 9864 (airborne) was being lifted from LZ several rounds of small arms fire were received, resulting in 1 US WIA. When delayed for landing at destination LZ, aircraft proceeded to C-Med with casualty.
S-3	Regt	1900	At 1500H, Co E at AT 990634 apprehended 1 VCS female with multiple wounds. Female stated it happened at 131500H. VCS sent to Bn CP then to C-Med for treatment. ITT will interrogate.
H	S-3	1905	AN TRACH (1) now cordoned.

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G	S-3	2001	G/1/B now departing CP.
H&S	S-3	2002	H&S/SP/1 now departing CP.
H&S	S-3	2030	H&S/SP/1 patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 010629).
E	S-3	2045	E/1, E/2, and Command Group enroute to Bn CP. Estimated time of arrival 2200h.
G	S-3	2125	G/1/B patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 991689).
G	S-3	2154	G/1/B now in position.
E	S-3	2215	Co E has returned to CP.
G	S-3	2300	G/2/D now departing CP.
G	S-3	2350	G/2/h now in position at BT 043722.
All Units	S-3	2400	All Secure.

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All Units	S-3	0100	All Secure.
H&S	S-3	0105	H&S/SP/3 has returned to CP.
S-3	Regt	0125	Passed message on Sparrow Hawk to Regiment.
G	S-3	0150	G/1/B has returned to CP.
G	S-3	0155	G/2/D patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 040727).
All Units	S-3	0200	All Secure.
G	S-3	0200	G/2/D patrol at Ck Pt #4 (BT 038728).
G	S-3	0210	G/2/D has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0300	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0400	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0500	All Secure.
F	S-3	0525	F/1 now departing CP.
F	S-3	0545	F/2 and Command Group now departing CP.
H&S	S-3	0635	Road sweep now departing CP.
G	S-3	0915	G/3/A now departing CP.
G	S-3	0928	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 003701).
G	S-3	0935	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 004703).
G	S-3	1005	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #4 (BT 000703).
G	S-3	1010	G/3/A has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1030	Request fire mission at BT 016612.
G	S-3	1055	G/2/C now departing CP.
E/1/D	S-3	1120	Now departing CP to search along river for MIA.
E	S-3	1121	At 1030H, E/2 at BT 010612 received small arms fire from BT 017613. Returned fire with small arms, M-60 MG, and 81mm mortars. Mortar mission had good target coverage. Did not sweep area due to necessity to complete assigned mission.
G	S-3	1210	G/2/C has returned to CP.
CO	S-3	1230	CO has returned to CP.
E/2	S-3	1250	Position report (BT 012608).
G	S-3	1327	G/2/B and G/3/B now departing CP.
G	S-3	1330	G/3/B patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 995703).
G	S-3	1335	G/3/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 990698).
G	S-3	1336	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 035727).
31	S-3	1342	Wire Team now at Highway #1 (BT 032644).
G	S-3	1349	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 028723).
F	S-3	1350	F/3 now departing CP.
G	S-3	1424	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 035722).
G	S-3	1425	G/3/B has returned to CP.
H	S-3	1459	H/2 and H/3 have returned to CP.
31	S-3	1515	Wire Team has returned to CP.
F	S-3	1545	At 1430H, F/3 at BT 027637 found an 81mm mortar round rigged as a mine with typical VC markings. Mine blown in place.
S-3	Regt	1545	At 1435h, E/2 at BT 009608 received 10

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			rounds of automatic carbine fire from BT 009 608, resulting in 1 USMC WIA. WIA med-evaccd at 1508H. Patrol returned fire but did not sweep area due to river barrier.
G	S-3	1613	G/2/B has returned to CP.
Arty	S-3	1800	Spotted 12 VC at BICH NAM (1) moving to BICH NAM (2). Co E platoon notified for immediate dispatch to area.
E	S-3	1845	E/2 now departing CP.
E/2	S-3	1904	Request fire mission at BT 003640.
G/2	S-3	1926	Request med-evac for ARVN.
H	S-3	1940	H/1/A,B,C now departing CP.
H	S-3	1945	H/2/A,B,C now departing CP.
G/2	S-3	1947	Med-evac complete.
G	S-3	2112	G/1/A now departing CP.
H&S	S-3	2118	H&S security patrol now departing CP.
G	S-3	2119	G/1/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 997682).
G	S-3	2130	G/1/A patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 998682).
E	S-3	2133	E/1 patrol for 16 Dec 1966 cancelled.
E	S-3	2134	Received activities for 17 Dec 1966.
S-3	Regt	2110	At 1800H, Co H PPB at AT 992643 reported seeing 15 VC with packs. Squad with ONTOS engaged enemy. Two VC seen to be hit by small arms and pulled into tree line. Hotel established block along northern bank of river with ONTOS. Co E platoon with a section of ONTOS dispatched to the area of BICH NAM (1) to establish cordon. Flareship provided continuous illumination during search of hamlet. Search had negative results. Platoon to remain in position and conduct ambush activities. At first light detail search of hamlet will take place. Two VC KIA (probable).
H	S-3	2235	H/2/A,B,C have returned to CP.
G	S-3	2300	G/2/D now departing CP.
G	S-3	2315	G/2/D patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 038724).
S-3	Regt	2316	At 1100H; Co H at AT 971663 during search and destroy operation observed 2 VC heading toward Co H position. One VC was carrying a weapon. VC taken under fire and both VC seen to be hit but search of area had negative results. One VC KIA (probable) and 1 VC WIA (probable).
S-3	Regt	2317	At 1700H, Co H at AT 971663 during search and destroy operation Sniper with Scope and M-1 rifle took 2 VC under fire at a range of 900 meters. Two VC seen hit and fall. One observed to crawl into tree line. Search of area had negative results except for blood on ground. One VC KIA (probable), and 1 VC WIA (confirmed).

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H&S	S-3	2336	H&S security patrol has returned to CP.
G	S-3	2337	G/2/D patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 033725).
G	S-3	2342	G/2/D patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 030726).
G	S-3	2350	G/2/D patrol at Ck Pt #4 (BT 034725).
G	S-3	2352	G/2/D at ambush site (BT 030722).
All Units	S-3	2400	All Secure.

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All Units	S-3	0100	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0200	All Secure.
G	S-3	0205	G/2/D has returned to CP.
G	S-3	0210	G/2/A has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0300	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0400	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0500	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0600	All Secure.
H&S	S-3	0640	Road sweep now departing CP.
H	S-3	0722	E/3/A now departing CP.
H	S-3	0740	H/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 988670).
H	S-3	0758	H/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 979672).
H&S	S-3	0805	Road sweep has returned to CP.
H	S-3	0825	H/3/A now at their PTB.
G	S-3	0835	G/2/B now departing CP.
H	S-3	0847	H/3/B patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 969666).
E	S-3	0907	E/2 has returned to CP.
G	S-3	0908	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 040726).
G	S-3	0917	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 038723).
G	S-3	0927	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 035723).
G	S-3	0937	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #4 (BT 030720).
G	S-3	0943	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #5 (BT 030730).
H	S-3	0945	H/3/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 980661).
G	S-3	0949	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #6 (BT 020725).
G	S-3	1000	G/2/C now departing CP.
G	S-3	1005	G/2/B has returned to CP.
E	S-3	1006	E/3 now departing CP.
H	S-3	1010	H/3/B patrol at Ck Pt #3 (AT 965665).
G	S-3	1020	G/3/C patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 023724).
G	S-3	1032	G/3/C patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 033732).
G	S-3	1033	G/3/C patrol at Ck Pt #4 (BT 040736).
G	S-3	1036	G/3/C patrol at Ck Pt #5 (BT 029731).
G	S-3	1040	G/3/C patrol at Ck Pt #6 (BT 020724).
G	S-3	1046	G/3/C patrol at Ck Pt #7 (BT 009713).
G	S-3	1048	G/3/C has returned to CP.
F	S-3	1052	F/3 has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1055	G/2/C patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 033715).
H	S-3	1058	H/3/B now at PTB.
G	S-3	1121	G/2/C patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 033732).
H	S-3	1130	At 1030H, Co H platoon patrol at AT 969665 received 3 rounds small arms fire from AT 973664. Platoon returned fire with organic weapons. Swept area with negative results. While searching area found 155 dud which was blown in place.

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G	S-3	1225	G/2/C patrol at Ck Pt #4 (BT 028717).
H	S-3	1226	H/3/C now departing CP.
H	S-3	1252	H/3/C patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 972676).
H	S-3	1314	H/3/C patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 978672).
Regt	S-3	1325	Stand by to launch Sparrow Hawk into GS 0958.
S-3	F	1326	Notified to stand by for Sparrow Hawk.
G	S-3	1350	G/3/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 994698).
ONTOS	S-3	1400	ONTOS now departing CP.
E	S-3	1407	E/2 now departing CP.
ONTOS	S-3	1411	ONTOS at Ck Pt #1 (BT 015622).
H	S-3	1414	Request emergency med-evac for 5 US WIA's at AT 974672).
Regt	S-3	1430	Med-evac complete.
ONTOS	S-3	1432	ONTOS at Ck Pt #2 (BT 015614).
F	S-3	1433	F/2 now departing CP.
E	S-3	1525	E/2 has returned to CP.
ONTOS	S-3	1553	ONTOS have returned to CP.
S-3	F	1558	Co F stand-down from Sparrow Hawk.
S-3	G	1705	One platoon of PF's will be working in the vicinity of BT 000710.
F	S-3	1706	F/1 now departing CP.
E	S-3	1712	At 1620H, E/3 platoon combat patrol at BT 034610 received small arms fire from BT 035 619. Returned fire with organic weapons but did not sweep area due to river barrier.
G	S-3	1953	G/1/C now departing CP.
G	S-3	2005	G/2/D now departing CP.
G	S-3	2010	G/1/C patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 992690).
G	S-3	2021	G/2/D patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 036729).
E	S-3	2025	Position report (BT 044626).
G	S-3	2106	G/2/D in ambush position (BT 042724).
H	S-3	2125	Received information from 1/11 artillery battery that there is a VC Battalion with demolition equipment in area. Mission is to attack installations in this area on the 19th or 20th of December, 1966.
S-3	Regt	2211	At 2010H, F/1/C at BT 053618 apprehended 1 VCS male age 45. VCS will remain with ambush until they return.
All Units	S-3	2300	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	2400	All Secure.

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FROM: 170001H December 1966
TO: 172400H December 1966

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H&S	S-3	0004	H&S/A/1 has returned to CP.
G	S-3	0013	G/2/D patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 038728).
H&S	S-3	0017	H&S/A/2 has returned to CP.
G	S-3	0050	G/2/D has returned to CP.
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.
All Units	S-3	0600	All Secure.
H&S	S-3	0608	Road sweep now departing CP.
G	S-3	0635	G/1 now departing CP.
H&S	S-3	0730	Road sweep has returned to CP.
S-3	Info	0933	Co E placed on BALD EAGLE at 0600H.
F	S-3	1015	F/2 patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 045645), setting up PFB and preparing to run a squad patrol.
E	S-3	1050	E/2 has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1200	G/2/B now departing CP.
H	S-3	1211	H/1 and H/2 have returned to CP.
G	S-3	1250	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 040722).
G	S-3	1323	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 045726).
G	S-3	1353	G/3/A now departing CP.
G	S-3	1403	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 999703).
G	S-3	1409	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 006703).
G	S-3	1414	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 007700).
S-3	Regt	1433	At 1230H, Co H platoon blocking position from AT 966652 to AT 957654 apprehended 1 male VCS. While enroute to Co H CP with VCS received 10 rounds small arms fire from AT 982660. Returned fire and swept area with negative results. Co H waiting for ITT to interrogate VCS.
S-3	Regt	1733	At 1230H, Co H platoon blocking position at AT 984763 to AT 985645 wounded 1 VCS male after running from Marines. VCS WIA sent to Regiment for treatment. Twenty-five male VCS also apprehended in area. VCS awaiting ITT for interrogation. Two later determined to be VCS by metal detector, interrogation and Kit Carson.
G	S-3	1438	G/3/L has returned to CP.
F	S-3	1655	F/3 now departing CP.
F	S-3	1710	F/3 now at E/1/D CP (BT 043620).
E	S-3	1907	E/2 now departing CP.
H	S-3	1908	H/1/L, B, C now departing CP.

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E	S-3	1918	E/1 now departing CP.
G	S-3	1938	G/2/C patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 038729).
H	S-3	1946	H/2/A,B,C now departing CP.
H&S	S-3	1952	H&S/1/1 now departing CP.
G	S-3	1958	G/2/C patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 034730).
H	S-3	2038	Co H LP at AT 990642 now receiving automatic small arms fire from the south.
E	S-3	2151	Request fire mission at AT 993634.
G	S-3	2152	G/2/C enroute to CP.
E	S-3	2204	E/2 enroute to CP.
H	S-3	2300	H/1/A,B,C have returned to CP.
Regt	S-3	2315	Notified 2/1 that small arms fire coming from G/3 position towards area of operation.
S-3	G	2316	Notified G/3 of friendly activity nearby and that small arms fire from their position was landing close to friendly activity.
E	S-3	2325	E/2 has returned to CP.
H&S	S-3	2333	H&S LP has returned to CP.
S-3	Regt	2350	At 2100H, Co E squad ambush at AT 992636 tripped ambush on 2 VC at a distance of 8-10 meters. Ambush fire fell on Co H CP who returned fire, causing Co E squad to withdraw. On cessation of fire, Co E squad returned to search area and discovered 1 VC KIA (confirmed) and a separate large blood pool. One VC KIA (probable). Ambush squad returned to CP.
H	S-3	2350	At 2100H, Co H CP at AT 989643 received 200 rounds small arms fire and possible 5-60mm mortar rounds from AT 992636. Bravo battery fired direct fire on position of muzzle flashes. Small arms fire ceased. Search will be made for mortar craters at first light.
F	S-3	2355	F/2 has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	2400	All Secure.

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FROM: 180001Z December 1966
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FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
G	S-3	0110	G/1/B now departing CP.
G	S-3	0116	G/1/B patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 038730).
F	S-3	0117	F/3 now departing CP.
G	S-3	0120	G/1/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 032722).
G	S-3	0150	G/1/B patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 039725).
All Units	S-3	0200	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0300	All Secure.
F	S-3	0316	F/3 now departing E/1/D position.
G	S-3	0330	G/2/G has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0400	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0500	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0600	All Secure.
E	S-3	0648	Request med-evac for 2 US WIA.
E	S-3	0730	Med-evac complete.
H&S	S-3	0740	Road sweep has returned to CP.
E/3	S-3	0757	Position report (AT 993616).
S-3	Regt	0830	At 0645H, E/3 platoon patrol at AT 997617 received heavy automatic small arms fire from AT 999614, AT 995619, and AT 995616, resulting in 1 US KIA and 1 US WIA. Returned fire with small arms and 60mm mortars. Patrol found 2 M-14 magazines at 1 VC position.
F	S-3	0032	F/1 now departing CP.
G	S-3	0842	G/2/C now departing CP.
S-3	Regt	0850	At 0730H, Co E platoon patrol at BT 008612 observed VC walking down trail at BT 009612. Opened fire on VC with 8 rounds small arms fire. One VC KIA (confirmed). Captured 1 US 30 caliber M-1 rifle and 2 clips with ammo.
G	S-3	0905	G/3/A now departing CP.
E	S-3	0937	Co E now departing CP.
G	S-3	1010	G/2/C has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1020	G/3/A has returned to CP.
Regt	S-3	1035	Received situation report on Operation GLENN.
H	S-3	1040	H/3/A now departing CP.
E	S-3	1045	E/3 started sweep of DUC KY (1).
ONTOS	S-3	1050	ONTOS at Ck Pt #1 (BT 015624).
H	S-3	1100	H/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 984664).
E/1/D	S-3	1104	E/1/D now departing CP.
51st	S-3	1106	Request information of cut lines at YEN NE (2) at AT 987683.
H	S-3	1110	At 1100H, Co H at AT 983662 found a 81mm WZ dud. Dud blown in place. Co H patrol continued.
E	S-3	1128	Request med-evac for 1 USMC at AT 988610 with punji wound.
H	S-3	1133	H/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 978662).

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E/I/D	S-3	1135	E/I/D has returned to CP.
E	S-3	1136	While attending to Co E WIA, booby trap was set off resulting in 5 additional WIA's. Total of 6 WIA's to be med-evac.
E	S-3	1145	Called in additional 2 WIA's. Total of 7 WIA's to be med-evac. One WIA non-evac. LZ at AT 988610.
H	S-3	1250	At 1215H, Co H patrol located a barrier of barbed wire and bamboo at AT 974663. C4 used to blow barrier. One secondary explosion of unknown type resulted. Patrol continuing mission.
S-3	ONTOS	1255	ONTOS move down railroad tracks to vicinity of Co E at AT 988610. Provide security for med-evac.
Note	S-3	1300	Med-evac helicopter crew member shot before landing in LZ. Due to shortage of fuel and serious WIA helicopter had to return to base. Co E notified of further delay.
H	S-3	1310	H/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #4 (AT 972 662).
G	S-3	1325	G/2/B now departing CP.
ONTOS	S-3	1330	Discovered M-79 round at AT 998612. Round destroyed. ONTOS continuing to destination.
G	S-3	1333	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 032727).
H	S-3	1336	At 1325H, Co H patrol at AT 972662 located a bamboo barrier laid across the trail. Barrier blown by M-26 grenade. No secondary explosions noted. Patrol continues.
G	S-3	1340	G/3/B patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 002701).
H	S-3	1341	H/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #5 (AT 969665).
E	S-3	1348	Co E apprehended 3 VCS at AT 988610.
E	S-3	1350	Co E reports that most serious WIA is now a USMC KIA.
H	S-3	1352	H/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #6 (AT 970669).
G	S-3	1358	G/3/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 008701).
G	S-3	1359	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 028721).
G	S-3	1405	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 034719).
H	S-3	1410	H/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #7 (AT 973675).
G	S-3	1412	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #4 (BT 040721).
G	S-3	1420	G/3/B patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 009705).
G	S-3	1440	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #5 (BT 041725).
H	S-3	1442	H/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #8 (AT 978677).
ONTOS	S-3	1445	Reports that med-evac drawing sniper fire from the south. Request to return fire.
Air	S-3	1448	Med-evac complete.
G	S-3	1455	G/3/B has returned to CP.
S-3	E	1500	Conduct sweep eastward along river bank toward DONG TIEN (1) as portion of return route.
E	S-3	1505	Co E now commencing movement as advised.

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H	S-3	1520	H/3/A has returned to CP.
E	S-3	1650	Co E now entering CP.
ONTOS	S-3	1650	ONTOS have returned to CP.
E/L/D	S-3	1900	Request med-evac for 1 civilian.
F	S-3	1925	F/3 now departing CP.
S-3	Regt	2050	At 1950H, Co F squad moving south at BT 050 603 received 4-6 rounds small arms fire from BT 049603. Sighted VC and returned fire. Observed 1 man to fall. One VC KIA (probable).
S-3	Regt	2135	G/3 at bridge observed boat at LT 996765 moving toward bridge, flying what appeared to be a VC flag. 90mm round fired directly at boat. Boat destroyed and sunk.
H	S-3	2208	H/3/A now departing CP.
G	S-3	2220	G/L/B now departing CP.
G/3	S-3	2220	Reports 2 objects floating in river. Objects taken under fire. First object produced 2 secondary explosions.
H	S-3	2308	H/L/A has returned to CP.
G	S-3	2336	G/3/C now departing CP.
G	S-3	2358	G/L/B patrol at CK Pt #2 (LT 995694).
G	S-3	2358	G/2/D patrol at CK Pt #1 (BT 030729).
All Units	S-3	2400	All Secure.

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FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE
H	S-3	0010	H/1/A has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0100	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0200	All Secure.
G	S-3	0225	G/2/D patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 040725).
G	S-3	0245	G/2/D patrol at Ck Pt #4 (BT 038730).
All Units	S-3	0300	All Secure.
G	S-3	0310	G/2/D has returned to CP.
G	S-3	0330	G/1/B has returned to CP.
E	S-3	0415	Co E now departing CP.
All Units	S-3	0500	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0600	All Secure.
M&S	S-3	0606	Road sweep now departing CP.
G	S-3	0825	G/2/B now departing CP.
G	S-3	0827	G/3/A now departing CP.
31	S-3	0828	Wire team now departing CP.
F	S-3	0918	F/1 platoon at E/1/D position.
S-3	Regt	1010	At 0920H, Co E at AT 999609 sighted 2 VC with weapons attempting to cross river. Opened fire on 2 VC. One VC fell in river and the other fell on the bank of river. Search of body later in day revealed papers, documents, 2 cartridge belts, 1 M-26 grenade, 1 CHI COM grenade, 13 rounds 7.62 ammo, and 1 watch.
H	S-3	1023	H/1 now departing CP.
G	S-3	1115	G/2/B has returned to CP.
F	S-3	1116	F/1 has returned to CP.
H	S-3	1122	Request med-evac for 5 US WIA's at AT 973662.
H	S-3	1145	Request artillery mission at AT 972666.
CO	S-3	1228	CO now departing CP for Regiment.
ONTOS	S-3	1229	ONTOS now departing CP to take boats to Co E.
S-3	Regt	1305	At 1110H, Co H combat patrol at AT 973605 tripped mine estimated 10 pounds explosives of C-4 type used, with a high shrapnel content. Platoon moved back to secure LZ for med-evac.
G	S-3	1345	G/3/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 993698).
G	S-3	1418	G/3/B patrol at Ck Pt #3 (AT 999699).
G	S-3	1510	G/3/A has returned to CP.
ONTOS	S-3	1530	Two ONTOS stuck in mud at BT 016623. Sent TD-18 team to retrieve ONTOS and TD-18 team got stuck.
F	S-3	1644	F/3 now departing CP.
MT	S-3	1705	All vehicles have returned to CP.
F	S-3	1707	F/2 has returned to CP.
ONTOS	S-3	1750	ONTOS enroute to CP with boats.

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H/2	S-3	1805	H/2 now enroute to CP.
ONTOS	S-3	1820	ONTOS have returned to CP.
H/2	S-3	1830	H/2 has returned to CP.
S-3	Regt	1915	At 1800H, Co F fire team recon from PPB received 1 round sniper fire from BT 041633. Observed movement in the grass. Ordered person to halt and when he failed recon team opened fire with small arms. Searched area and found body of male wearing black cape over white PJ's. One VC KIA (confirmed).
S-3	Regt	2142	Notified Regiment of change in night activity.
H&S	S-3	2225	Perimeter defense drill sounded.
H	S-3	2234	H/3/A, B, C now departing CP.
H	S-3	2323	H/2/A, B, C have returned to CP.
H&S	S-3	2327	H&S patrol returned to CP.
S-3	Regt	2328	G/3 at bridge spotted boat heading for the bridge. G/3 opened fire with organic weapons and sank boat as it passed under the bridge.
F	S-3	2345	F/2/A has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	2400	All Secure.

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G	S-3	0055	G/2/D now departing CP.
All Units	S-3	0100	All Secure.
H	S-3	0106	H/3/A, B, C have returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0200	All Secure.
F	S-3	0212	F/2/B now departing CP.
All Units	S-3	0300	All Secure.
G	S-3	0333	G/2/D has returned to CP.
F	S-3	0410	Request med-evac for 3 WIA's.
F	S-3	0435	Med-evac complete.
All Units	S-3	0500	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0600	All Secure.
S-3	Regt	0640	At 0430H, F/3/L at BT 048632 tripped mine resulting in 4 US WIA's. Two of 4 WIA's were med-evaced.
ONTOS	S-3	0740	ONTOS now departing CP.
G	S-3	0820	At 0740H, G/3 at LT 998701 spotted floating object coming down the river at LT 994703. Fired M-79 rounds at object and sank it.
G/3/A	S-3	0925	G/3/A now departing CP.
G	S-3	0930	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (LT 997704).
G	S-3	0950	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #2 (LT 994701).
S-3	Regt	0951	At 0700H, Co F combat patrol sighted 2 VC running west along river. One VC had weapon. Patrol opened fire, assaulted and searched area. Found blood trail and apprehended 4 VCS.
G	S-3	1025	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #3 (LT 993698).
H&S	S-3	1030	H&S security patrol now departing CP.
G	S-3	1108	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #4 (LT 998706).
F	S-3	1109	F/3 has returned to CP.
E/1/D	S-3	1120	Request med-evac for 3 civilian WIA at BT 042620.
ONTOS	S-3	1123	ONTOS have returned to CP.
G	S-3	1135	G/3/A has returned to CP.
H&S	S-3	1235	H&S security patrol has returned to CP.
H	S-3	1235	H/3/A now departing CP.
H	S-3	1248	H/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 998644).
F	S-3	1250	F/1 now departing CP.
G	S-3	1305	G/3/B now departing CP.
G	S-3	1310	G/2/B now departing CP.
ONTOS	S-3	1314	ONTOS now departing CP.
G	S-3	1315	G/3/B patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 001703).
H	S-3	1316	H/3/L patrol at Ck Pt #3 (LT 994655).
H	S-3	1330	H/3/L patrol at Ck Pt #4 (LT 998663).
G	S-3	1341	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 033721).
G	S-3	1342	G/3/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 007703).

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G	S-3	1406	G/3/B patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 012702).
G	S-3	1420	G/3/B patrol at Ck Pt #4 (BT 006701).
G	S-3	1421	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 043727).
G	S-3	1454	G/3/B has returned to CP.
H	S-3	1522	H/3/A has returned to CP.
H&S	S-3	1556	H&S OP at BT 028638.
S-3	F	1715	Alerted for BALD EAGLE in GS 9856.
H&S	S-3	1745	H&S security patrol has returned to CP.
Regt	S-3	1840	BALD EAGLE rescheduled for tomorrow.
G	S-3	1945	G/2/C patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 036731).
G	S-3	2000	G/2/C patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 033730).
H&S	S-3	2015	H&S security patrol now departing CP.
G/2/C	S-3	2030	G/2/C now in ambush position.
G	S-3	2045	At 2015H, G/3 observed object in water. Object was mounted on banana trees with VC flag and propaganda on top. Fired small arms into object then retrieved it with boat.
G	S-3	2106	G/1/C now departing CP.
G	S-3	2123	G/1/C patrol at Ck Pt #1 (LT 993690).
G	S-3	2140	G/1/C patrol at Ck Pt #2 (LT 994694).
H	S-3	2220	H/1/A, B, C now departing CP.
H&S	S-3	2303	H&S patrol at Ck Pt #5 (BT 010633).
H&S	S-3	2325	H&S security patrol has returned to CP.
G	S-3	2333	G/2/C has returned to C.
All Units	S-3	2400	All Secure.

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H&S	S-3	0047	H&S patrol has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0100	All Secure.
H	S-3	0122	H/1/A, B, C have returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0200	All Secure.
G	S-3	0220	G/1/C now departing night ambush position.
All Units	S-3	0300	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0400	All Secure.
G	S-3	0402	G/1/C has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0500	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0600	All Secure.
H&S	S-3	0635	Road sweep now departing CP.
H	S-3	0740	H/3/A, B, C have returned to CP.
G	S-3	0935	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 998698).
H	S-3	0942	H/1/A now departing CP.
F	S-3	1006	F/3 now departing CP.
H	S-3	1010	H/1/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 989656).
G	S-3	1021	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 992698).
H	S-3	1026	H/1/A patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 995664).
G	S-3	1030	G/2/B has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1035	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #3 (AT 971694).
G	S-3	1036	G/3/A has returned to CP.
E/1/D	S-3	1045	Request med-evac for 3 civilian WIA at BT 042620.
H	S-3	1055	H/1/A patrol at Ck Pt #3 (AT 983669).
H	S-3	1103	H/1/A patrol at Ck Pt #4 (AT 978677).
H	S-3	1110	H/1/A now at H/2 PPS at AT 974674.
H	S-3	1128	H/2/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 969668).
Regt	S-3	1140	Co E secured from OPCON SHASTA at 211200H.
H	S-3	1142	H/2/A patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 965664).
H	S-3	1157	H/2/A patrol at Ck Pt #3 (AT 970663).
H	S-3	1223	H/2/A patrol at Ck Pt #4 (AT 971667).
E	S-3	1300	Request emergency med-evac for 2 US WIA at AT 999614.
E/1/D	S-3	1310	Med-evac for 3 civilians complete.
E	S-3	1349	Med-evac for 2 US WIA's complete.
E	S-3	1350	Co E moving into block at BT 002610.
H	S-3	1400	Co H preparing for a Sparrow Hawk.
H&S	S-3	1406	H&S security patrol now departing CP.
S-3	Regt	1510	At 1330H, Co E block at AT 998614 received small arms fire from BT 001609 and AT 995620. Returned fire with organic weapons. One US KIA, 1 US WIA and 3 VC WIA (probable). Area not searched due to river barrier.
H&S	S-3	1650	H&S security patrol has returned to CP.
MT	S-3	1752	All vehicles have returned to CP.

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S-3	Regt	1845	At 1705H, Co H platoon patrol at AT 959680 received 4-5 rounds small arms fire from AT 957679. Returned fire with platoon weapons. One US KIA. Swept area with negative results.
G	S-3	1910	G/1 has returned to CP.
G	S-3	2000	G/1/C and G/2/D now departing CP.
G	S-3	2010	G/2/D patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 037730).
G	S-3	2020	G/2/D patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 040726).
G	S-3	2023	G/1/C patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 991690).
G	S-3	2025	At AT 993683 G/1/C received small arms fire from AT 996686. Fire not returned due to populated village.
H	S-3	2108	H/6 and all units back in CP.
S-3	Regt	2134	At 1735H, Co F security patrol at BT 041600 received 50 rounds small arms fire and 1 grenade from BT 036600. Returned heavy small arms fire and assaulted VC position and killed 2 VC. Heavy blood trail lost in paddy area. Two VC KIA (confirmed), 1 VC KIA (probable), and 1 US WIA (minor). Captured 1 30 caliber rifle, 1 45 caliber US Sub-Machinegun, 1 magazine, 1 VC battle flag, 1 M-26 grenade, and 1 C4I COM grenade.
H&S	S-3	2300	H&S security patrol has returned to CP.
H	S-3	2301	At 1755H, Co H platoon moving over rice paddy received heavy automatic weapons fire from AT 957677. Returned fire with platoon weapons. Area not searched due to river barrier.
G	S-3	2320	G/1/B has returned to CP.
H	S-3	2351	H/1/D has returned to CP.
G	S-3	2400	G/2/D has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	2400	All Secure.

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G	S-3	0020	G/1/C patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 995689).
G	S-3	0040	G/1/C has returned to CP.
H	S-3	0050	H/1/A, B, C have returned to CP.
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.
All Units	S-3	0600	All Secure.
G	S-3	0600	G/3/A now departing CP.
G	S-3	0700	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 992705).
G	S-3	0750	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 991697).
H&S	S-3	0755	Road sweep has returned to CP.
E	S-3	0820	E/2 now departing CP.
G	S-3	0821	G/2/B now departing CP.
G	S-3	0825	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 037729).
G	S-3	0827	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 034726).
G	S-3	0828	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #3 (AT 994696).
G	S-3	0830	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #4 (AT 996698).
G	S-3	0834	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 037721).
G	S-3	0838	G/3/A has returned to CP.
G	S-3	0850	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #4 (BT 034723).
Regt	S-3	0902	Received weather report. Passed on to S-2.
H&S	S-3	0945	H&S security patrol now departing CP.
H	S-3	0950	H/3/A now departing CP.
G	S-3	1005	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #6 (BT 034730).
H	S-3	1006	H/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 993648).
F	S-3	1115	Request med-evac for 1 US WIA at AT 997626.
H	S-3	1125	H/2/A now departing CP.
H	S-3	1150	H/2/A patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 969684).
H&S	S-3	1210	H&S security patrol has returned to CP.
H	S-3	1220	H/2/A patrol at Ck Pt #3 (AT 965687).
F	S-3	1221	F/3 has returned to CP.
E	S-3	1222	Co E now departing CP.
S-3	Regt	1235	At 1110H, Co F platoon blocking force received 25-30 rounds small arms and automatic weapons fire from AT 997629 and AT 995628. Returned fire with platoon weapons and called for 81m. mortar mission. Search of area revealed blood pool and 30 caliber brass and links. One US WIA and 1 VC WIA (confirmed).
S-3	Regt	1240	At 0800H, Co F platoon patrol observed VC watching platoon and received 4 rounds small arms fire from BT 026598. Returned fire with organic weapons and assaulted VC position, capturing 1 VCC. No weapon could be found.

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S-3	Regt	1300	At 0900H, Co F platoon fire team CP observed 25 VC moving west evading ARVN sweep. Opened fire with organic weapons and assaulted VC position, and enemy broke contact. Found 3 bullet ridden straw hats. Contact not re-established. Five VC KIA (probable).
H	S-3	1325	H/3/B now departing Co H P/B.
G	S-3	1335	G/2/C now departing CP.
H	S-3	1338	H/2/A has returned to CP.
E	S-3	1355	Request emergency med-evac for 3 US WIA's at AT 995607.
E	S-3	1419	Reports that one of WIA's now KIA.
H	S-3	1525	H/3/D has returned to P/B.
H	S-3	1526	At 1430H, Co E blocking force at AT 995617, had member trip wire to M-26 grenade rigged as mine, resulting in 1 US KIA and 2 US WIA. Evacuated to Bn CP by ONTOS.
E	S-3	1638	Co E has returned to CP.
F	S-3	1700	F/2 has returned to CP.
MT	S-3	1727	All vehicles have returned to CP.
G	S-3	1828	G/3/C patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 995698).
G	S-3	1838	G/3/C patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 994697).
G	S-3	1855	G/3/C patrol at Ck Pt #3 (AT 992698).
G	S-3	1910	G/1/A now departing CP.
G	S-3	1940	G/2/D now departing CP.
G	S-3	1950	G/2/D patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 037729).
G	S-3	1951	G/3/C has returned to CP.
G	S-3	2000	G/1/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 992701).
G	S-3	2005	G/2/D patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 048723).
H	S-3	2011	H/3/A, B, C now departing P/B.
G	S-3	2045	G/1/C now in ambush position.
E	S-3	2150	E/2 has returned to CP.
G	S-3	2158	G/1/B now departing CP.
H	S-3	2230	H/3/A, B, C now departing ambush position.
G	S-3	22-6	G/1/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 992693).
H	S-3	2250	H/3/A, B, C have returned to CP.
G	S-3	2316	G/1/A patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 993691).
G	S-3	2330	G/2/D has returned to CP.
G	S-3	2359	G/1/A has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	2400	All Secure.

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FROM: 230001H December 1966
TO: 232400H December 1966

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
All Units	S-3	0100	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0200	All Secure.
G	S-3	0202	G/1/D now departing CP.
H	S-3	0210	H/2/A now in ambush position.
All Units	S-3	0300	All Secure.
H	S-3	0318	H/2/A has returned to CP.
E	S-3	0330	E/3 now departing CP.
G	S-3	0335	G/1/B has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0400	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0500	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0600	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0700	All Secure.
H&S	S-3	0705	Road sweep now departing CP.
G	S-3	0715	Request med-evac for USMC with dislocated shoulder at AT 994631.
G	S-3	0810	G/3/C now departing CP.
H	S-3	0823	H/3/A now departing PFB, enroute to CP.
G	S-3	0824	G/2/C now departing CP.
F	S-3	0834	F/3 now departing CP.
G	S-3	0846	G/3/C patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 030727).
E/3	S-3	0850	Position report (AT 994626).
G	S-3	0851	G/3/C patrol at Ck Pt #4 (BT 032733).
G	S-3	0907	G/2/C patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 020715).
G	S-3	0918	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 003698).
F	S-3	0920	F/1 has returned to CP.
G	S-3	0925	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 010703).
G	S-3	0932	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 001703).
G	S-3	0942	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #4 (AT 999703).
G	S-3	0955	G/2/C has returned to CP.
G	S-3	0956	G/3/C patrol at Ck Pt #6 (BT 015717).
G	S-3	0958	G/3/C patrol at Ck Pt #7 (BT 007712).
G	S-3	1000	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #5 (AT 999704).
G	S-3	1005	G/3/A has returned to CP.
F	S-3	1136	At 1125H, F/3 at BT 030604 received 1 round sniper fire from BT 031606. Patrol had just finished searching area from which sniper round came from. Area will be checked again.
F	S-3	1137	At 1055H, F/3 at BT 030604 received 6-8 rounds small arms fire. Returned fire with platoon weapons. VC broke contact.
G	S-3	1307	G/3/C now departing CP.
G	S-3	1330	G/3/C patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 016715).
H	S-3	1331	H/1 now departing CP.
E	S-3	1348	E/3 has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1517	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 032719).

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H	S-3	1522	H/2 has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1530	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #5 (BT 039725).
G	S-3	1540	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #6 (BT 037729).
1st MAR DIV	S-3	1552	Washout of road at BT 017630 to BT 032643 threatens conduct of tactical operation. Request immediate road maintenance.
G	S-3	1558	G/2/B has returned to CP.
H/1/D	S-3	1635	PF's to conduct ambush at BT 042618 from 2100H to 0200H.
H	S-3	1705	OMPOS and Co H patrol have returned to CP.
F	S-3	1730	At 1530H, F/3 at BT 030615 received 30-40 rounds small arms fire from BT 028610, BT 031609, and BT 028613. Returned fire with organic weapons and 60mm mortars. Searched area with negative results. VC broke contact.
E/1/D	S-3	1740	E/1/D reports that they have 3 civilian WIA.
51st	S-3	1742	51st received small arms fire from Marine 6x6 heading south on Highway #1. Rounds were received from the first vehicle of a two truck convoy. Did not get the number of the first vehicle but did get the number of the second truck, (188765). Request appropriate action to be taken.
E	S-3	1920	E/1 now departing CP.
H	S-3	1921	H/1/D, E, F now departing PFB.
H	S-3	1925	H/2/D now set in ambush position (AT 990643).
OMPOS	S-3	1926	OMPOS enroute to CP.
H	S-3	1943	H/1/A, B, C now in ambush position (AT 969681).
Regt	S-3	2010	Received Intelligence report. Passed on to S-2.
H	S-3	2012	H/2/A, B, C now departing CP.
G	S-3	2015	G/1/A now departing CP.
G	S-3	2020	G/1/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 991698).
Regt	S-3	2035	Four LVT's broken down at BT 007706 and BT 016715. Will be repaired by morning. Information passed on to Co. G.
Regt	S-3	2037	Received one SECRET and one CONFIDENTIAL message. Passed on to Message Center.
H	S-3	2055	H/1/D, E, F have returned to CP.
H	S-3	2110	H/2/A, B, C now set in ambush positions.
Regt	S-3	2130	1/11 has VC movement 75 meters west of their CP. Request to fire on VC. Permission was granted. Co H informed of VC activity.
H	S-3	2200	H/2/A, B, C now departing ambush positions.
Arty	S-3	2200	ARVN in GS 0061 have been receiving small arms fire from west and southwest of their position. Illuminated area and fired artillery mission. Small arms fire ceased.

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G	S-3	2310	G/2/C now departing CP.
G	S-3	2321	G/2/C patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 032728).
G	S-3	2333	G/2/C patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 033727).
G	S-3	2350	G/2/C patrol now set in ambush position.
All Units	S-3	2400	All Secure.

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FROM: 240000H December 1966
TO: 242400H December 1966

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE
G	S-3	0033	G/1/A now departing CP.
All Units	S-3	0100	All Secure.
H&S	S-3	0115	H&S security patrol has returned to CP.
G	S-3	0155	G/2/D has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0200	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0300	All Secure.
H	S-3	0304	H/1/A has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0400	All Secure.
H	S-3	0412	H/3/A now departing PFB.
All Units	S-3	0500	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0600	All Secure.
H&S	S-3	0635	H&S security patrol now departing CP.
Note	S-3	0700	Forty-eight hour truce now in effect.
H	S-3	0730	All Co H units returned to CP.
H&S	S-3	0735	Road sweep has been completed.
G	S-3	0745	G/2/B now departing CP.
H&S	S-3	0750	Road sweep has returned to CP.
Regt	S-2	0752	Received weather report.
F	S-3	0820	F/2 now departing CP.
S-3	All Units	0850	During truce period all units report all activities, to include any incoming rounds, sighting of enemy movement, or any unusual activity.
F	S-3	0851	F/3 has returned to CP.
E	S-3	0915	E/1 has returned to CP.
G	S-3	0958	G/2/B now departing CP.
F	S-3	2005	Co F patrol reports hearing drum warning VC of USMC presence in area of BT 048612.
E	S-3	1010	E/2 now departing CP.
H	S-3	1030	H/2/A patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 989684).
MT	S-3	1031	Reports that mechanic sent to G/2 position has not been seen since last night.
E/1/D	S-3	1125	Request med-evac for 2 civilian WIA.
H	S-3	1220	Co H apprehended 2 VCS. S-3 actual instructs Co H to release VCS.
H	S-3	1300	H/2/A has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1302	G/3/A now departing CP.
G	S-3	1315	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 001700).
G	S-3	1320	G/3/C patrol cancelled due to broken down boat.
MT	S-3	1325	Missing mechanic has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1334	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 007703).
H	S-4	1400	Received resupply request.
G	S-3	1410	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 002705).
G	S-3	1412	G/2/A now departing CP.

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H	S-3	1413	H/3/A now departing CP.
G	S-3	1414	G/3/A has returned to CP.
F	S-3	1420	F/2/A has returned to PFB.
F	S-3	1421	F/2/B now departing PFB.
H	S-3	1435	H/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 994642).
G	S-3	1448	G/2/C patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 032712).
H	S-3	1502	H/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 001642).
G	S-3	1510	G/2/C patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 035714).
H	S-3	1511	H/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 003646).
F	S-3	1523	F/2/B has returned to CP.
H	S-3	1528	H/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #4 (AT 997648).
G	S-3	1550	G/2/C has returned to CP.
H	S-3	1640	H/2/B has returned to CP.
1st MAR DIV	S-3	1645	Received messages on Christmas Eve alert.
S-3	S-1	1705	Passed Christmas alert message.
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H&S	S-3	1720	H&S security patrol has returned to CP.
G	S-4	1722	Received resupply request.
S-3	Regt	1729	At 232330H, Co F patrol moving to ambush position had member step on punji stake. Corpsman treated WIA. Leaders were not notified until 241530H.
MT	S-3	1753	All vehicles have returned to CP.
H	S-3	1854	H/1/A, B, C now departing CP.
S-3	G	1900	Notified Co G to keep up surveillance for MIA.
F	S-3	1940	Co E reports that VN civilian (unarmed) walked through killing zone of ambush. Ambush did not open fire.
S-3	H&S	1942	Notified H&S of Co E ambush south of Bn CP.
F	S-3	2000	F/2/C now departing PFB.
Regt	S-3	2005	Plane reported down at BT 013728. Co G was notified.
G	S-3	2010	Co E reports 4-6 VC with mortar at BT 04372.
S-3	G	2015	Alert all units for action concerning downed plane and intelligence report.
S-3	Arty	2020	Request illumination in GS 0172.
S-3	G	2021	Dispatch 1 squad into area of intelligence report with platoon Commander in charge. Keep S-3 informed of action.
G	S-3	2030	G/2/D now departing CP.
G	S-3	2055	G/2/D has returned to CP.
S-3	Info	2121	Flareship sent to area of downed plane.
Regt	S-3	2122	Counter-Punch permission given to 2/1 artillery.
G	S-3	2129	G/2/D in graveyard near mortar site at BT 039724.
H	S-3	2132	H/1/A, B, C have returned to CP.
G	S-3	2142	G/2/B at backyard of VCS mortar position at BT 041721. Searched graveyard with negative results.

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FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
All Units	S-3	2200	All Secure.
G	S-3	2230	G/2/D checked hamlet with negative results. Will observe hamlet activity from safe position all night.
E	S-3	2233	E/2 enroute to CP had patrol member trip a mine. One US WIA.
E	S-3	2245	E/2 has returned to CP with US WIA.
All Units	S-3	2300	All Secure.
G	S-3	2315	Co G reports observing some type of religious celebration at TRON TRUNG LUONG (BT 042722). S-3 Actual requests Co G unit to continue observation and not to enter hamlet.
S-3	Regt	2400	At 2230H, Co E patrol member tripped wire setting off mine, believed to be a concussion grenade. One US WIA was the result. Patrol entered CP and WIA taken to BAS for treatment.
All Units	S-3	2400	All Secure.

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FROM: 250000H December 1966
TO: 252400H December 1966

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
H	S-3	0015	H/2/A, B, C now departing CP.
H	S-3	0030	H/1/D, E, F now departing CP.
H&S	S-3	0040	H&S security patrol has returned to CP.
E	S-3	0045	H/2/A, B, C now in ambush position.
H	S-3	0050	H/1/D, E, F now in ambush position.
All Units	S-3	0100	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0200	All Secure.
H	S-3	0218	H/2/A, B, C have returned to CP.
E	S-3	0247	H/1/D, E, F have returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0300	All Secure.
E	S-3	0315	E/3/A now departing CP.
All Units	S-3	0400	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0500	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0600	All Secure.
G	S-3	0615	G/2/D has returned to CP.
H&S	S-3	0635	Road sweep now departing CP.
H&S	S-3	0710	Road now open for traffic.
H	S-3	0711	H/1/A now departing PPB.
H&S	S-3	0745	Road sweep has returned to CP.
G	S-3	0755	Co G unit moving to hamlet of THON TRUNG LUONG at BT 042722. Unit to conduct detailed search of hamlet.
E	S-3	0830	E/1/A, B now departing CP.
G	S-3	0837	G/3/A cancelled due to rough water.
H	S-3	0845	At 0820H, Co H patrol at AT 969667 received 10 rounds small arms fire from AT 965672. Patrol did not return fire and now continuing patrol.
H	S-3	0848	H/2/B has returned to CP.
G	S-3	0857	Notified S-3 that Tanks are firing at debris in water. Regiment also notified.
F	S-3	0900	F/2/C enroute to CP.
H	S-3	0901	H/1/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 988671).
H	S-3	0912	H/1/A patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 967679).
14	S-3	0935	Repose heli-flight cancelled. Repose now in MONG KONG.
H	S-3	0938	H/1/A patrol at Ck Pt #4 (AT 971679).
H	S-3	0940	H/1/A reports receiving 1 round sniper fire resulting in 1 US WIA.
H	S-3	1000	Request med-evac for 1 US WIA with gunshot wound in thigh at AT 974672.
H	S-3	1005	H/2/A now departing CP.
S-3	Regt	1018	At 1000H, Co H squad recon patrol received 1 round sniper fire from AT 966667 resulting in 1 US WIA. Area searched and determined

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FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
S-3	Regt	1027	round came from across the river. Unable to continue search due to river barrier.
			At 1005, Co G security platoon observed and fired upon object floating toward bridge. Christmas tree with propaganda was retrieved from water with boat.
H	S-3	1029	H/2/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 988662).
F	S-3	1030	F/2 has returned to CP.
F	S-3	1032	All Co F elements returned to CP.
ARVN	S-3	1037	HOI AN requests fire mission at AT 967667. Troops receiving small arms fire. Granted.
E	S-3	1038	E/3/A, B have returned to CP.
H	S-3	1043	Med-evac complete.
E	S-3	1049	H/2/A patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 989674).
H&S	S-3	1100	Small boy grabbed sentry's rifle and ran near dump. Co F squad dispatched to chase and recover weapon.
G	S-3	1106	G/2/B reports sweeping THON TRUNG LUONG at AT 042722 with negative results.
G	S-3	1134	G/2/B has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1340	G/3/B reports that boat now broken down.
H	S-3	1350	H/2/A has returned to CP.
E	S-3	1410	E/1/A has returned to CP.
E	S-3	1415	E/1/B has returned to CP.
G	S-4	1610	Received resupply request.
H&S	S-3	1611	Large number of VN civilians at the gate who wish to see the Colonel.
51st	S-3	1700	51st ARVN advisor discussed future plans for the next 3 days.
R	S-3	1710	E/2 now departing CP.
G	S-3	1719	G/3 at the bridge apprehended VC with an M-14 rifle.
F	S-3	1724	F/1 now at E/1/D position.
H	S-3	1725	H/1/A has returned to CP.
MT	S-3	1735	All vehicles have returned to CP.
G	S-3	1738	Rifle captured belonged to a Co G member who left it at Inn near bridge. Disciplinary action being taken.
G	S-3	1750	G/2/B, C have returned to CP.
G	S-3	1828	Sent VCS to District Headquarters.
Regt	S-3	1830	Regiment advises that approximately 1 hour ago a vehicle was shot at on ANDERSON TRAIL at BT 035635 and BT 031636.
F	S-3	1900	F/1/B now in position at BT 034615.
H	S-3	1910	H/2/A now departing CP.
G	S-3	1931	G/2/D now departing CP.
G	S-3	1940	G/2/D patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 034729).
G	S-3	1950	G/2/D patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 037726).
G	S-3	1955	G/1/B now departing CP.

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FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
F	S-3	2010	F/1/A requests illumination at BT 035617.
G	S-3	2037	G/1/B patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 989691).
G	S-3	2110	G/1/B now in ambush position.
H	Air	2125	Request helicopter recon of 2/1 TAOR for 261300Z December 1966.
S-3	Regt	2135	Notified of additions to Co E activities for 26 December 1966.
G	S-3	2138	G/2/D now in ambush position.
E	S-3	2230	E/2/C has returned to CP.
E	S-3	2245	E/2/A has returned to CP.
G	S-3	2246	G/2/D now departing ambush position.
G	S-3	2305	G/2/D patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 036772).
G	S-3	2315	G/2/D has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	2400	All Secure.

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FROM: 260001H December 1966
TO: 262400H December 1966

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE
G	S-3	0055	G/1/B now departing ambush position.
All Units	S-3	0100	All Secure.
H	S-4	0131	Received resupply request.
All Units	S-3	0200	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0300	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0400	All Secure.
E	S-3	0415	E/3/A, B now departing CP.
E	S-3	0440	E/3/A, B now in ambush position.
All Units	S-3	0500	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0600	All Secure.
H&S	S-3	0720	Convoy of ARVN coming down ANDERSON TRAIL.
E	S-3	0725	Request to know where ARVN will be located.
S-3	E, F	0734	Request Co Commanders to report to BOC at 260800H.
H&S	S-3	0735	ANDERSON TRAIL mine sweep complete.
H	S-2	0740	Request weather report for 26 December 1966.
E	S-3	0800	E/3/B reports finding 105 dud at BT 005623.
Regt	S-3	0800	2nd and 51st ARVN Operation cancelled in GIAM NE (1) and (2), until 27 and 28 Dec 66.
G	S-3	0800	G/2/B now departing CP.
G	S-3	0805	G/1/A now departing CP.
G	S-3	0806	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 037730).
G	S-3	0813	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 041724).
Note	S-3	0820	S-4 dispatched engineers to Co E location.
G	S-3	0827	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 039718).
Regt	S-3	0829	Received weather report.
G	S-3	0830	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #4 (BT 035716).
F	S-3	0905	F/1 now departing E/1/D position.
G	S-3	0907	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #5 (BT 030715).
G	S-3	0925	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #7 (BT 033730).
H	S-3	0925	H/3 will have squads patrolling in area of H/3 combat patrol in GS's 9964 and 0064.
G	S-3	0933	G/2/B has returned to CP.
G	S-3	0950	G/3/A now departing CP.
Info	S-3	0951	Co H resupply helicopter in Bn LZ.
G	S-3	0956	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 000670).
G	S-3	0956	G/1/A has returned to Co.
F/1/A	S-3	1000	Position report (BT 056614).
H	S-3	1010	H/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 001642).
G	S-3	1030	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 004703).
E	S-3	1030	E/3/A has returned to CP.
H&S	S-3	1033	H&S security patrol now departing CP.
E	S-3	1040	E/3/C has returned to CP.
Note	S-3	1040	1/26 are going to fire a 106RM at 2 VC in vicinity of AT 995622. Cleared.

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G	S-3	1050	G/3/A has returned to CP.
F/1	S-3	1058	Position report (BT 048607).
1st MAR DIV	11	1120	Received message 241115Z.
F/1	S-3	1135	Position report (BT 040605). Now sweeping in southwesterly direction.
E/1/D	S-5	1136	Received Med Cap report.
F	S-3	1140	Received 10-15 rounds small arms fire from BT 038605.
E/1/D	S-3	1200	Reports that VC are floating rafts down river. E/1/D firing small arms fire in case rafts are booby trapped.
H	S-3	1215	H/2/B now at IP.
F/1	S-3	1219	Position report (BT 039601).
H	S-3	1225	H/3 has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1300	G/3/B now departing CP.
Regt	S-3	1307	At 270700Z December 1966 Co F relieved of SAID EACLS responsibilities.
G	S-3	1311	G/3/B patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 997697).
G	S-3	1327	G/3/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 992697).
G	S-3	1353	G/3/B patrol at Ck Pt #3 (AT 996701).
G	S-3	1412	G/3/B has returned to CP.
S-3	Regt	1415	Cancel all Co E night time activities.
H	S-3	1503	Co H PPB received small arms fire from AT 969665. Returned fire with small arms and 60mm mortars.
G	S-4	1618	Received resupply request.
MT	S-3	1705	All vehicles have returned to CP.
G	S-3	1830	G/1/B night time activities cancelled.
E/1/D	S-3	2132	At 2200H, 5 ARVN will depart E/1/D position to conduct a night ambush at BT 037632 and return at 0100H.
All Units	S-3	2200	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	2300	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	2400	All Secure.

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FROM: 270001H December 1966
TO: 272400H December 1966

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
H	S-3	0040	Co H now departing CP.
All Units	S-3	0100	All Secure.
G	S-3	0104	G/2/D now departing CP.
G	S-3	0130	G/2/D now set in ambush position.
H&S	S-3	0150	H&S security patrol has returned to CP.
H	S-3	0151	Request all illumination be cancelled.
S-3	Regt	0152	Request you ask 3/1 to cancel their illumination.
All Units	S-3	0200	All Secure.
H&S	S-3	0250	H&S security patrol now departing CP.
G	S-3	0315	G/1 now departing CP.
G	S-3	0338	G/2/D now departing ambush position.
F	S-3	0345	F/3 and F/6 now departing CP.
G	S-3	0350	G/2/D has returned to CP.
Air	S-3	0400	Flaeship now airborne for Co H. Flaeship not in position as of yet due to radio difficulties.
G	S-3	0410	G/1 now in position and changing to Co E radio frequency.
E	S-3	0411	Co E now departing CP.
H	S-3	0420	Co H reports that they might not be able to get to objective area due to high water.
Air	S-3	0425	Flaeship now on station.
H	S-3	0425	Co H departing IP for Objective "A".
H	S-3	0500	H/1 reports apprehending 1 VCS.
H	S-3	0510	Co H now moving through Objective "B".
E	S-3	0545	G/1 now set in position.
H&S	S-3	0635	Road sweep now departing CP.
14	S-3	0655	AD now on station. Flaeship has secured.
F	S-3	0728	Reports they have 2 US WIA's from shrapnel wounds at BT 054635. Request med-evac.
H&S	S-3	0729	Road sweep has been completed. All Secure.
F	S-3	0730	Reports mortars being fired in vicinity of their position from across the river at approximately BT 054635. Reported to 3/1 and requested them to cease fire.
H&S	S-3	0740	H&S road sweep has returned to CP.
H	S-3	0741	At 0700H, H/2 at AT 962686 spotted 1 VC break from hut and start running in open. Opened fire and man fell. Searched area with negative results.
G	S-3	0809	Reports that a civilian male with what appears to be a gash from a canister round. S-3 instructed people at bridge to put man on a truck that will be going to Regiment.
Air	S-3	0810	Med-evac for Co F complete.

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H	S-3	1110	H/6 requests transportation for TAD personnel to Bn CP.
51st	S-3	1130	51st ARVN troops will withdraw from objective areas at 1600H. This should be completed by 1700H.
H&S	S-3	1216	Reports a PC and a water buffalo are stuck on Anderson Trail and are blocking traffic.
S-3	Regt	1245	At 0500H to 1100H, Co H block at AT 967674 discovered 1 VN male identified by KIT CARSON as a VC. Search force apprehended 3 VCS without ID cards during search and destroy operation. VC and VCS to be returned to Bn CP.
G	S-3	1333	G/3/B now departing CP.
S-3	Regt	1335	Called additions of Co B to Regiment.
G	S-3	1356	G/3/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 006701).
G	S-3	1410	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 033719).
G	S-3	1420	G/3/B patrol at Ck Pt #3 (AT 997698).
G	S-3	1430	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 038719).
G	S-3	1431	G/3/B has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1517	G/2/B has returned to CP.
S-3	Regt	1555	Called Co G activities to Regiment.
Info	S-3	1755	Two trucks with ONTOS to transport 2 platoons Co F to E/1/D position.
H	S-3	1800	H/1/A now departing CP.
F	S-3	1802	F/3 now departing CP on trucks with ONTOS as security.
MT	S-3	1808	All vehicles have returned to CP.
F	S-3	1808	F/2 fire team OP at BT 045646 reports receiving small arms fire in their vicinity. Fire believed to be friendly and coming from the vicinity of BT 048645. 3/1 notified of incident.
H&S	S-3	1852	ONTOS and 2 trucks returned to CP.
F	S-3	1855	F/3 block is now in position.
ARVN	S-3	1903	Reports units received small arms fire from the west of GS 0462.
Note	S-3	1904	Notified Co E ambushes in area of GS 0362. Co E reports fire came from the east.
H	S-4	1914	Received resupply request.
G	S-3	1933	G/2/C now departing CP.
G	S-3	1950	G/2/C patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 035730).
G	S-3	1952	G/1/B now departing CP.
G	S-3	2010	G/1/B patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 991689).
G	S-3	2034	G/1/B now in ambush position.
H&S	S-3	2108	H&S security patrol now departing CP.
Regt	S-3	2128	Notified that a plane enroute to DANANG Airbase is having trouble and might crash in our TAOR. Request you notify all units of this incident.

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S-3	Regt	0811	At 0700H, F/3/A at BT 054635 detonated mine of unknown type resulting in 2 US WIA's. Med-evac requested and completed.
F	S-3	0813	F/6 reports that he has friendly units in sight. They are in area in which Co F received 10-15 rounds of mortars at BT 058637.
H	S-3	0830	At 0700H, Co H searched hut which VCS had ran from previously and collected 20 civilians including 1 VCS which will be returned to Bn S-2.
G	S-3	0843	G/3/A now departing CP.
G	S-3	0925	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 994698).
H	S-3	0936	H/2 discovered a boat landing with dry propaganda leaflets and civilians at AT 963676. The VCS previously apprehended reports that 5 VC moved out of the area. H/1 now moving southwest to act as a blocking force.
F	S-3	0938	F/2 now at their PPB (BT 038641).
F/3	S-3	1010	Position report (BT 057627).
G	S-3	1011	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 992695).
S-3	Regt	1012	At 0800H, F/3 at BT 043631 received 5 rounds small arms fire from 0436628. Returned fire and swept area. Apprehended 1 VCS male WIA with ID card which stated he was 27 years old. No weapons were found. VCS to be taken to E/1/D position where he will be transported to Bn S-2.
S-3	F	1013	Notified F/6 of 3/1 ambush being activated and that 5-10 VC are fleeing to the west towards Co F TAOR.
H	S-3	1015	Co H reports incoming mortars. S-3 determined Co G responsible for the mishap. Co G testing mortars.
S-3	Regt	1016	At 0945H, Co F patrol at BT 057628 apprehended 1 VCS female 19 years old without an ID card. VCS will be returned to Bn S-2 on completion of patrol.
G	S-3	1020	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #3 (AT 994696).
H	S-3	1021	H/3 reports apprehending 4 VCS.
E/1/D	S-3	1022	Request med-evac for VCS WIA.
H	S-3	1034	Co H has completed sweep. Now enroute to PPB.
G	S-3	1035	G/3/A has returned to CP.
E/1/D	S-3	1036	Reports VCS WIA now KIA.
E	S-3	1037	Co E now enroute to CP.
F	S-3	1043	F/3 enroute to CP.
S-3	Regt	1048	Change 1 VCS WIA to 1 VCC KIA.
E	S-3	1100	RF confirmed him as VCC before he died.
F	S-3	1100	Co E has returned to CP.
			F/3 and F/6 have returned to CP

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H	S-3	2130	H/1/A has returned to CP.
Regt	S-3	2132	Notified that plane has landed safely.
H&S	S-3	2135	Second H&S security patrol now departing CP.
Arty	S-3	2137	Notified that H&I fire at BT 004618 resulted in secondary explosion.
H&S	S-3	2230	First H&S patrol that departed CP is now in ambush position.
1/11, 9th MARS	S-3	2230	Reported artillery fire at AT 988652. Request source of mission. 2/1 L now checking on who fired artillery.
G	S-3	2335	G/2/D has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	2400	All Secure.

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F	S-3	0005	F/2/B now in ambush position (BT 042642).
G	S-3	0025	G/1/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 995689).
G	S-3	0030	G/1/B has returned to CP.
Arty	S-3	0045	51st ARVN were responsible for mortars being fired previously.
All Units	S-3	0100	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0200	All Secure.
E	S-3	0252	E/2 now departing CP.
All Units	S-3	0300	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0400	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0500	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0600	All Secure.
H&S	S-3	0715	Road sweep complete. All Secure.
Regt	S-3	0733	There is a meeting at Regiment today for all S-3 and S-5 Officers at 1300H.
S-3	Regt	0745	When Co E searched area of incident this morning they found 3 VC KIA and 2 VC WIA.
G	S-3	0821	G/2/B now departing CP.
S-3	Regt	0840	At 0440H, E/2 at BT 009609 moving into ambush position sighted 3 VC. Opened fire killing 2 VC and wounding one. Bodies were left in place for bait.
S-3	Regt	0842	At 0600H, E/2 at BT 009609 sighted 1 VC who ran when challenged. Opened fire with 2 rounds M-14 wounding VC.
E	S-3	0845	E/1 has returned to CP.
G	S-3	0846	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 036729).
G	S-3	0903	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 043727).
G	S-3	0915	G/3/A now departing CP.
G	S-3	0923	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 043721).
G	S-3	0934	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 996696).
H	S-3	0947	H/3/A now departing CP.
S-3	Regt	1045	At 0720H, E/2 at AT 009608 entered a house to search. Man under bed threw a CHI COM grenade. Patrol member shot him resulting in 1 VC KIA.
G	S-3	1050	G/3/A and G/2/B have returned to CP.
Regt	S-2	1117	Received weather report.
H	S-3	1233	H/3/A has returned to CP.
H	S-3	1234	H/3/B now departing CP.
Note	S-3	1240	CO now departing CP.
S-3	Regt	1305	At 0530H, E/2 at BT 009608 apprehended 5 VCS which were sent to ITT.
H	S-3	1310	H/3/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 978676).
G	S-3	1319	G/3/B now departing CP.

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H	S-3	1330	H/3/B patrol at Ck Pt #3 (AT 971677).
E/1/D	S-5	1338	Received Med Cap report.
G	S-3	1344	G/3/B patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 001701).
S-3	F	1405	Blocking force no longer needed.
H&S	S-3	1500	H&S security patrol now departing CP.
H	S-4	1505	Received resupply request.
H	S-3	1507	H/3/B has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1508	G/3/B has returned to CP.
S-3	Regt	1527	At 1302H, Co H squad patrol sighted 1 VC at BT 047638. Fired 8 rounds 60mm mortars which landed directly on VC. Patrol observed women drag body into treeline. Patrol searched area and found 1 CHI COM grenade rigged with trip wire. Did not find a body. Also apprehended 3 VCS.
CO	S-3	1615	CO has returned to CP.
E/1/D	S-3	1620	Report finding a body at BT 091552 by PF1 DIEN BAN notified; will check out body.
MT	S-3	1700	All vehicles have returned to CP.
H&S	S-3	1730	H&S security patrol has returned to CP.
F/2	S-2	1810	Reports that they have 3 VCS at junction of ANDERSON TRAIL and Highway #1. Request transportation for VCS back to Bn CP.
E	S-3	1813	E/3 now departing CP.
H	S-3	1905	H/2/A,B,C now departing CP.
H	S-3	1940	H/2/A,B,C now set in ambush position.
H	Info	1946	Request med-evac for 1 US WIA with gunshot wound in stomach at AT 986645. Regiment handling med-evac.
G	S-3	1947	G/2/D now departing CP.
H	S-3	1956	Reports that 81mm WP mortar round landed 50 meters from H/3 position at AT 991641.
Info	S-3	2000	Twenty rounds small arms fire were received by Co H CP. One US WIA with stomach wound was a result.
H	S-3	2002	Reports 2 more WP rounds landed northwest of H/3 position.
G	S-3	2008	G/2/D now set in ambush position.
Note	S-3	2010	Med-evac in contact with Co H.
Air	S-3	2015	Med-evac complete.
Info	S-3	2022	9th Marines were the ones responsible for 3 rounds WP fired near H/3.
H	S-3	2115	H/2/A,B,C has returned to CP.
H&S	S-3	2130	H&S security patrol now departing CP.
S-3	Regt	2155	At 1930H, Co H CP received burst of automatic fire from west of Co H CP. Called med-evac for 1 Marine WIA.

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FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGES
H&S	S-3	2235	Reports finding freshly dug cave and trench line south of CP.
G	S-3	2358	G/2/D now departing ambush position.
All Units	S-3	2400	All Secure.

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FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE
G	S-3	0014	G/2/D has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0100	All Secure.
H	S-3	0105	H/3/B now departing CP.
H&S	S-3	0125	H&S security patrol has returned to CP.
H&S	S-3	0228	H&S security patrol while departing out of south gate spotted movement in treeline. Searched area with negative results. About 200 meters from ambush site found freshly dug trench which was destroyed with a frag grenade. Avoided area on return route.
All Units	S-3	0300	All Secure.
H	S-3	0345	H/3/B has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0400	All Secure.
H	S-3	0448	H/2/D,E,F have returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0500	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0600	All Secure.
H&S	S-3	0700	Road sweep now departing CP.
H&S	S-3	0800	Road sweep has returned to CP.
G	S-3	0813	G/2/B now departing CP.
G	S-3	0820	G/1/A now departing CP.
G	S-3	0830	G/1/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 991689).
G	S-3	0830	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 039723).
G	S-3	0843	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 035720).
G	S-3	0850	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #4 (BT 029717).
S-3	kegt	0852	G/3/C day time activity has been cancelled.
H	S-3	0926	H/3 now departing CP.
G	S-3	0927	G/1/A patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 985694).
G	S-3	0932	G/2/B has returned to CP.
H	S-3	0936	H/3 patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 999642).
H	S-3	0956	H/3 patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 999641).
H	S-3	0957	H/2 now departing CP.
G	S-3	1006	G/2/C patrol now departing CP.
H	S-3	1017	H/2 has a Med Cap set up at Ck Pt #2 (AT 999641).
G	S-3	1020	G/1/A has returned to CP.
E	S-3	1035	E/3 has returned to CP.
H&S	S-3	1036	H&S security patrol now departing CP.
H	S-3	1052	H/3 patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 004646).
G	S-3	1102	G/2/G patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 034714).
G	S-3	1112	G/2/C patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 037716).
G	S-3	1140	G/2/C patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 032615).
H	S-3	1157	H/2 patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 083667).
G	S-3	1159	G/2/C patrol at Ck Pt #4 (BT 029714).
G	S-3	1208	G/2/C has returned to CP.
H	S-3	1215	H/3 patrol at Ck Pt #4 (BT 003651).

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H	S-3	1226	H/2 has completed Med Cap.
H	S-3	1238	H/3 has returned to CP.
H	S-3	1250	H/2 has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1307	G/3/B now departing CP.
G	S-3	1335	G/3/B patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 997696).
G	S-3	1400	G/3/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (AT 993695).
H&S	S-3	1415	H&S security patrol has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1510	G/3/B has returned to CP.
S-3	Regt	1624	At 1030H, H/2 at A ⁿ 985664 apprehended suspicious, frightened and extremely nervous male without ID card. KIT CARSON identified him as a local force VC. Forwarded to IPT by Bn S-2.
E	S-3	1625	E/1 now departing CP.
MT	S-3	1730	All vehicles have returned to CP.
E/1/D	S-3	1833	At 1755H, E/1/D at BT 042620 received 10 rounds small arms fire resulting in 1 PF KIA. Fire was returned with small arms. VC position vicinity of BT 035623.
H	S-3	1910	H/3/A,B,C now departing CP.
F	S-3	1945	F/2/A now departing CP.
G	S-3	2010	G/2/D now departing CP.
G	S-3	2045	G/2/D now set in ambush position.
H	S-3	2047	H/1/A has returned to CP.
S-3	Regt	2136	At 2053 Co E PPB received 10 rounds small arms fire and 1 M-26 grenade. Returned fire with small arms and 81mm mortar mission. Will search area at first light.
F	S-3	2147	F/2/A has returned to CP.
H	S-3	2200	H/3/A,B,C have returned to CP.
H&S	S-3	2315	H&S security patrol now departing CP.
G	S-3	2357	G/2/D enroute to CP.
All Units	S-3	2400	All Secure.

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G	S-3	0006	G/2/D patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 038727).
All Units	S-3	0100	All Secure.
H&S	S-3	0145	H&S security patrol has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0200	All Secure.
H	S-3	0205	H/3/A,B,C now departing CP.
H	S-3	0245	H/2/A,B,C now departing CP.
All Units	S-3	0300	All Secure.
F	S-3	0310	F/3 now departing CP.
All Units	S-3	0400	All Secure.
G	S-3	0405	G/1/B now departing CP.
G	S-3	0412	G/1/D patrol at Ck Pt #1 (AT 99169J).
H	S-3	0435	H/3/A has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0500	All Secure.
H	S-3	0530	H/2/B has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0600	All Secure.
H&S	S-3	0620	Road sweep now departing CP.
H	S-3	0630	H/1/E has returned to CP.
H&S	S-3	0703	Road sweep found a mine at BT 028640. Mine will be blown in place.
G	S-3	0729	G/1/B has returned to CP.
S-3	Regt	0730	At 0700H, Co F squad tripped ambush on 5 VC. Three VC fled into treeline and the other 2 VC were killed.
H&S	S-3	0755	Road sweep complete. All Secure.
G	S-3	0850	G/3/A now departing CP.
G	S-3	0907	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 000701).
E/1/D	S-3	0920	Request med-evac for civilian WIA at BT 042620.
G	S-3	0930	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 005710).
G	S-3	0945	G/3/A patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 002703).
G	S-3	1030	Cancel all Co G night time activities.
H&S	S-3	1047	H&S security patrol now departing CP.
E	S-3	1048	E/1/A and E/1/B have returned to CP.
G	S-3	1135	G/2/C patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 032713).
G	S-3	1141	G/3/A has returned to CP.
F	S-3	1145	F/3 has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1200	G/2/C patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 034715).
E/1/D	S-3	1230	Med-evac complete.
H&S	S-3	1247	H&S security patrol has returned to CP.
H&S	S-3	1250	At 1205H, H&S security patrol found 176 rounds 81mm mortars, 7 rounds 57RR and 7-8 rolls concertina wire at BT 017673. Reports state this is ARVN munitions and wire.
G	S-3	1300	G/2/B now departing CP.
G	S-3	1304	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #1 (BT 034721).
G	S-3	1318	G/2/C has returned to CP.
G	S-3	1322	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #2 (BT 040721).

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G	S-3	1403	G/2/B patrol at Ck Pt #3 (BT 040727).
G	S-3	1419	G/2/B has returned to CP.
E/1/D	S-3	1425	Request emergency med-evac for 1 civilian WIA at BT 042620.
S-3	Regt	1452	At 1420H, a male reported to E/1/D at BT 043620 with a gunshot wound. Male was in the same area where ambush was sprung this morning. Male was tagged as a VC and med-evac'd.
E/1/D	S-5	1456	Received Med Cap report.
E/1/D	S-3	1458	Med-evac complete.
E/1/D	S-3	1545	Request emergency med-evac for civilian WIA with gunshot wound at BT 042620.
S-3	Regt	1600	At 1540H, a male was brought to E/1/D position with a gunshot wound. Male was tagged as a VC and med-evac'd.
E/1/D	S-3	1617	Med-evac complete.
G	S-3	1619	Go G now departing CP.
MT	S-3	1800	All vehicles have returned to CP.
S-3	Regt	1845	At 1715H, F/1 at BT 038605 received 15-20 rounds small arms fire from 2 VC at BT 036605. Returned fire with squad weapons and assaulted VC position. VC broke contact. Swept area with negative results. One US WIA from a punji stake.
E	S-3	1900	E/2/C now departing CP.
E	S-3	1905	E/2/A now departing CP.
G	S-3	1909	G/2/D now departing CP.
H	S-3	1933	H/3/A,B,C now departing CP.
H	S-3	1942	H/3/A,B,C now set in ambush position.
E	S-3	1954	E/2/C now set in ambush position.
E	S-3	2006	E/2/A now set in ambush position.
H	S-3	2013	At 2015H, H/3/A at AT 978576 observed and fired upon 3 VC. Area swept with negative results. Then patrol moved out of area they received 1 sniper round. Patrol returned to PPB.
E	S-3	2143	E/2/C has returned to CP.
E	S-3	2204	E/2/A has returned to CP.
H&S	S-3	2215	H&S patrol now departing CP.
H&S	S-3	2306	H&S patrol now set in ambush position.
G	S-3	2359	G/2/D now departing ambush position.
All Units	S-3	2400	All Secure.

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FROM: 310000H December 1966

TO: 312400H December 1966

FROM	TO	TIME	MESSAGE
G	S-3	0033	C/2/D has returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	0100	All Secure.
F	S-3	0110	H/2/A,B,C now departing CP.
All Units	S-3	0200	All Secure.
H	S-3	0258	H/2/A,B,C sprung ambush and request fire mission at AT 972662.
All Units	S-3	0300	All Secure.
H	S-3	0345	H/2 reports 1 VC KIA (confirmed).
All Units	S-3	0400	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0500	All Secure.
S-3	Regt	0502	At 0200H, H/2/A,B,C fire team ambushes sprung ambush on VC at AT 969660. Called 81mm mortar mission on VC position. More information to follow.
B	S-3	0530	B/3/A now departing CP.
All Units	S-3	0600	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	0700	All Secure.
B	S-3	0730	B/3/B has returned to CP.
H&S	S-3	0730	H&S security patrol now departing CP.
H&S	S-3	0733	Road sweep has returned to CP.
S-3	Regt	0830	At 0530H, Co F squad ambush fired on 3 VC moving in killing zone. Observed 1 to be hit and fall. Search of area revealed 1 VN female slightly wounded in foot. PF's indicated she was from a VC family. VCS will be returned to Bn CP.
31	S-3	0900	Wire team now departing CP.
F	S-3	0920	F/1 has returned to CP.
F	S-3	0953	F/2 now departing CP.
E/1/D	S-3	1045	E/1/D reports that "31" vehicle was in an accident near BT 043620. MP vehicle notified and he will investigate.
S-3	Regt	1100	At 0730H, Co H fire team ambushes at AT 972659 received 1 round sniper fire and 1 frag grenade. Observed 1 VC moving 10-15 meters off trail. Opened fire on VC with small arms fire. Sounds of large movement then heard on 3 sides and patrol returned to previous position, passing by dead VC. Called mortar mission on movement. Small arms fire observed from VC position firing toward road in CS 9766. Co H squad met with platoon at 0730H and returned to CP, receiving 6 sniper rounds enroute.
F	S-3	1117	The first elements of Co F have arrived at Co H CP.
H&S	S-3	1240	H&S recon patrol now departing CP.
B	S-3	1536	Co B now in control of new TACR. Co G now in control of Co E old TACR.
31	S-3	1705	Wire team has returned to CP.
H&S	S-3	1731	H&S recon patrol has returned to CP.
H	S-3	1818	Reports that 2 bodies were brought to 2/12 CP. Both VN bodies were KIA. Further reports indicate there are 5 or 6 more bodies in area of AN TRACH (2).

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FROM	TO	TIME	MESS/CLS
H	S-3	1905	H/3/A, B, C now departing CP.
S-3	Regt	2016	Called in change of H/A/2 activities to Regiment.
51st	S-3	2115	51st ARVN reports 2 VC Companies at AT 957661 and AT 970655.
H	S-3	2200	H/3/A IEs returned to CP.
All Units	S-3	2300	All Secure.
All Units	S-3	2400	All Secure.

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1. SITUATION. See current Int Sums.
2. MISSION. 2nd Battalion commencing 31 December 1966 conducts a Company TACR reassignment within the SA boundaries.
3. EXECUTION
 - a. Concept. Each of the four latter Companies will be assigned a different TACR during the period 31 December 1966 through 2 January 1967.
 - b. Co E
 - (1) On 31 December 1966 move sufficient personnel as required to Co G present TACR to commence indoctrination and familiarization of proposed assigned area.
 - (2) Effective 011200H January 1967 assume responsibility of assigned TACR defined in reference (a), the Mortar Belt area and security on bridges at coordinates (AT 999705 and AT 999699).
 - c. Co F
 - (1) On 1 January 1967 move sufficient personnel as required to Co H present TACR to commence indoctrination and familiarization of proposed assigned area.
 - (2) Effective 021200H January 1967 assume responsibility of assigned TACR as defined in reference (a) and the PFB at coordinates (AT 974674).
 - d. Co G
 - (1) On 31 December 1966 move sufficient personnel as required to Co B TACR to commence indoctrination and familiarization of proposed assigned area.
 - (2) Effective 011200H January 1967 assume responsibility of assigned TACR defined in reference (a).
 - e. Co H
 - (1) On 1 January 1967 move sufficient personnel required to Co F TACR to commence indoctrination and familiarization of proposed assigned area.
 - (2) Effective 021200H January 1967 assume responsibility of assigned TACR defined in reference (a).

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- (3) Under Secretary (157) responsible for personnel at joint USMC/RF PFB at coordinates (EP 042620).

f. Coordinating Instructions

- (1) Company Commanders are authorized direct liaison between companies prior to area shift.
- (2) Companies submit transportation requirements twenty-four hours in advance to S-4.
- (3) Companies coordinate transfer of Battalion organic property with Battalion Supply Officer to be completed 48 hours after assuming new area responsibility.
- (4) Companies will have full cognizance of Civil Affairs projects pending in new assigned TAOR prior to effective date.
- (5) Kit Caravan in present assigned areas will remain and become attached to Company assuming area responsibility.
- (6) Company Commanders become acquainted with hamlet, village and district officials in new areas.
- (7) All attachments will remain in place on assigned positions, under operational control of receiving Company.

(8) ACHIEVED

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT COLONEL MAIO DONARDIAN

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FRAG ORDER 123-66

Ref: (a) OpO 218-66
(b) DivO 04900.1
(c) CO, 1st MarDiv msg 201325Z Dec 66

1. SITUATION.

- a. Enemy. See current Tabsums.
- b. Friendly. Combined Action Company (CAC) unit operations to commence in Co F TAOR.

2. MISSION. 2nd Battalion will provide one rifle squad (rein) for a CAC unit located at (AF 050604) to commence operations on 301000H Dec 66 to provide a local security force, conduct limited offensive operations, provide MedGap assistance, and engage in Civic Action operations in the vicinity of THANH PHONG village.

3. EXECUTION.

- a. Concept. On 301000H Dec 66 2nd Battalion establishes a permanent CAC unit with a platoon of PF in the vicinity of AF 050604.

(1) Operational control of the CAC unit is assigned to the Company Commander of the Company TAOR in which the CAC unit is located. However, the relationship between the Marine squad leader and the PF leader is based on coordination and cooperation. The Marine squad leader is not in command. His role is to act as an advisor and instructor for the PF's. All other Marines in the squad serve in the same capacity.

(2) The basic idea behind the CAC program is to help the local people defend themselves and to make their village area a better and safer place to live. In order to do this the CAC unit must be prepared to provide a local security force and to conduct offensive operations by patrolling and ambushes. To be successful the PF's must receive Marine training. Therefore an active training program in basic military subjects must be included in the CAC unit's daily routine. Inspections are required to help develop military discipline. Further, the Marine squad must be active with MedGap and Civic Action projects. Medical assistance makes the village area a healthier place to live. Civic Action projects which the people need, want, and help to build will make the village area a better place to live. All of these means provide the ways to win the loyal support of each villager.

b. Co F

- (1) Assume operational control of CAC unit at 301000H December.
- (2) Conduct night patrolling and ambush operations in support of CAC unit until the unit is capable of independent night defensive operations.

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4. H&S Co

- (1) Assume administrative control of GAC rifle squad.
- (2) Provide administrative and logistical support.
- (3) On order pass administrative control to Headquarters Battalion, 1st Marine Division (Rein).

d. Coordinating instructions

- (1) Priority of work to establishing defensive positions.
- (2) Conduct training and provide assistance to GAC unit in accordance with reference (b).
- (3) Conduct offensive operations within capability.
- (4) Upon Company, GAC unit submit reports in accordance with reference (c).
- (5) Company assign I&M in which GAC platoon is located assumes operational control.

4. ADMINISTRATION and LOGISTICS

- a. As required and provided by H&S Co.
- b. Co F submit initial requirements.

5. COMMAND and COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

- a. Communication Officer install landline from GAC unit direct to Battalion switchboard. Provide radio equipment as required.
- b. Call signs:
 - (1) Radio - CONTRIVE OSCAR
 - (2) Wire - CEDARSHD OSCAR

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FRAG ORDER 124-66

FROM: COMMANDING OFFICER, SECOND BATTALION, FIRST MARINES
TO: COMPANY'S E, F, G, & H

1. SITUATION. INTERROGATION OF VCC CAPTURED IN ACTION 27 DEC VIC DIEN BAN REVEALED VC UNITS ENTERED FIRST MARINES TAOR DURING CHRISTMAS TRUCE. PROBABLE ROUTE FOLLOWED GENERALLY THE SONG LA THO AND SONG THANH QUI. SIMILAR VC MOVEMENT EXPECTED DURING NEW YEAR TRUCE PERIOD.

2. MISSION. SECOND BATTALION INCREASES SURVEILLANCE EFFORTS DURING TRUCE PERIOD WITH SPECIFIC ATTENTION TO SONG LA THO AND SONG THANH QUI WATERWAYS AND OTHER KNOWN OR SUSPECTED VC ROUTES OF COMMUNICATIONS.

3. EXECUTION. CONDUCT INCREASED SURVEILLANCE EFFORTS DURING THE TRUCE PERIOD FROM 310700H DEC 66 TO 020700H JAN 67 OVER KNOWN OR SUSPECTED VC ROUTES OF COMMUNICATIONS. CONDUCT OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS IMMEDIATELY UPON TERMINATION OF TRUCE TO SEARCH OUT AND DESTROY ENEMY FORCES.

A. CO E. CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE, DEFENSIVE AMBUSHES, AND SECURITY PATROL OPERATIONS ALONG SONG THANH QUI AND SONG LA THO IN CO TAOR.

B. CO F. CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE, DEFENSIVE AMBUSHES, AND SECURITY PATROL OPERATIONS ALONG SONG THANH QUI IN CO TAOR.

C. CO G. ASSUME CO E MISSION UPON CHANGE OF TAOR.

D. ALL CO'S. CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE, DEFENSIVE AMBUSHES, AND SECURITY PATROL OPERATIONS ALONG KNOWN OR SUSPECTED VC ROUTES OF COMMUNICATIONS. BE PREPARED TO CONDUCT COORDINATED OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS IMMEDIATELY UPON TERMINATION OF TRUCE TO SEARCH OUT AND DESTROY ENEMY FORCES.

E. COORDINATING DETAILS. COMPANY COMMANDERS OR REPRESENTATIVE MUST MEET WITH S-3 AT 311000H TO DISCUSS RULES OF ENGAGEMENT

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FOR TRUCE PERIOD.

4. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS. COMPANY COMMANDERS PROVIDE RADIO OPERATORS WITH RADIO CALL SIGNS, RADIO FREQUENCIES, AND M DESIGNATORS FOR FIRST AND ~~SECOND~~ BATTALION COMPANIES WHEN NECESSARY TO COORDINATE OPERATIONS ALONG THE BATTALION TACR.

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