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MEMORANDUM

From: Combat Intelligence Officer
 To: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2

Subj: Captured Material, Operation HASTINGS

1. Based upon the record of dispatches available at this headquarters the following weapons, equipment, etc. were captured as a result of Operation HASTINGS:

Pistols		2
Rifles (Auto & Semi)		114
Machine Guns:	Light/Heavy	14
	50 cal.	5
	12.7mm	2
	AA Gun (Unident)	1
Mortars:	60mm/80mm, 1 ea	2
Rocket Launchers (40mm)		1
Recoilless Rockets (50mm)		1
Grenades		370
Ammo:	(SA)	15,465 rds
	(12.7)	12,665 rds
	(Mortars) 12-82mm, 6-80mm, 5-60mm	23 rds
Explosives/Accessories:	Explosives	327 lbs
	Blasting Caps	1,037
	Detonating Cord/Fuse	90 ft

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	Pressure Pole Fuses	88
	Ignition Cord Packets	4
Mines: Various types		65
Tools:	Shovels	21
	Picks	11
	Entrenching tools	28
	Machettes	268
	Mattocks	7
	Bush Knives	2
	Buck Saws	1
	Hand Drills	1
782 Gear:	Packs	294
	Map Cases	14
	Ruck Sacks	317
	Canteens	21
	Mosquito Nets	92
	Shelter Halves	435
	Ponches	20
	Hammocks	31
Clothing:	Uniforms	36
	Trousers	598
	Shirts	570
	Sweat Shirts	378
	Saddles, Ho Chi Min	297
	Various other items	24

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Medical Supplies:	Medical Bags	6
	First Aid Kits	2
	Dr. Medical Kit	1

Two other reports indicating numerous medical supplies,
no further identification.

Food:	Rice	60 lbs
	Fish	60 lbs

Other Items: Misc: Including 9 Gas Masks, 50 Cook Pots,
various weapons parts, etc.

2. These figures are in no way considered to be all inclusive. However, they are based upon those reports in which it was possible to identify the specific items. There were many reports that are considered poor and in which numbers and/or identification was lacking. For example, much rice, fish, numerous medical supplies, many weapons.

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OPERATION HASTINGS/LAM SON 289

DATES

7 JULY - 15 JULY RECON PHASE
 15 JULY - 3 AUG EXPANDED PHASE

FORCES INVOLVED

USMC

ARVN

TF DELTA
 4TH MARINES
 2/1 3/5*
 2/4 1/3
 3/4 2/9
 1/1 3/12

ABN TF 1ST DIV RECON
 2 ABN BN 1/1
 6 ABN BN 2/1
 8 ABN BN

1ST MAR CMD GRP AT DONG HA
 *AFTER COMPLETION DECK HOUSE II

NVA FORCES

324B DIV
 812 REGT
 803 REGT
 90 REGT

RESULTS

USMC

NVA

126 KIA
 448 WIA

882 KIA(CONF) (824 KIA BY USMC)
 929 KIA(PROB)

OPERATION HASTINGS WRAP-UP

1. HASTINGS WAS CONDUCTED IN AN AREA IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT TO DMZ WHICH ENCOMPASSED 42 SQ MILES OF TERRAIN WITH VARIETIES FROM SMALL AREAS OF FLAT OPEN RICE PADDY GROUND TO HEAVILY JUNGLED HILLS WITH ELEVATIONS WELL OVER 1000 FEET. THE CENTER OF THE AREA IS APPROXIMATELY 60 MILES FROM PHU BAI AND IS 15 TO 20 MILES FROM ROUTE #1 AT DONG HA, CONNECTED ONLY BY ROUTE #9.

2. IT WAS INITIATED AS A RESULT OF INDICATIONS THAT ELEMENTS OF OR THE ENTIRE 324B DIVISION HAD MOVED INTO THE AREA FROM NVA WITH A MISSION TO LIBERATE QUANG TRI AND DESTROY THE ARVN FORCES LOCATED THEREIN. MACV ALSO HAD INDICATIONS OF OTHER NVA UNITS AVAILABLE TO REINFORCE THE 324TH. HASTINGS COMMENCED AS A 1 BN RECONNAISSANCE OPERATION ON 7 JULY WITH 2/1 INSERTING RECON ELEMENTS INTO THE AREA. ARVN FORCES ALSO COMMENCED OPERATIONS IN AN AREA TO THE SOUTHEAST. THESE OPERATIONS PLUS INTERROGATION OF PRISONERS, LED TO A RAPID CONFIRMATION OF THE ACTUAL PRESENCE OF AT LEAST 1 REGT (THE 812TH), IN THE AREA. ON THE 15TH OF JULY, HASTINGS WAS EXPANDED TO A MULTI-BATTALION COMBINED OPERATION INVOLVING BOTH USMC AND ARVN FORCES, AND AN AMPHIBIOUS LANDING BY THE SLF, AS SHOWN. THE OPERATION INITIALLY INVOLVED 4 USMC BN'S, INCLUDING THE SLF WITH ARVN FORCES OPERATING IN ADJACENT AREAS TO THE SOUTH AND EAST. THE HASTINGS PORTION WAS COMMANDED BY TF DELTA EMPLOYING THE 4TH MARINES REGT HEADQUARTERS. BY THE 18TH, THE OPERATION HAD EXPANDED FURTHER WITH A TOTAL OF 7 USMC BN'S BEING COMMITTED INCLUDING THE SLF WHICH HAD TERMINATED ITS AMPHIBIOUS OPERATION WITH MINOR CONTACT AND CHOPPED TO III MAF. SEVERAL SHARP ENCOUNTERS WERE MADE, PARTICULARLY INVOLVING 3/4 AND 3/5 (SLF BN), ALTHOUGH ALL UNITS MADE

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CONTACT. MANY WEAPONS WERE CAPTURED ALONG WITH INDIVIDUAL EQUIPMENT, PACKS, MEDICAL SUPPLIES, DOCUMENTS, AND COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT. ACTION CONTINUED SHARP UNTIL THE 25TH, GENERALLY ~~SH~~ SHIFTING FROM THE LOWER MORE OPEN TERRAIN TO THE JUNGLED HILLS. IN THE DENSE JUNGLE, USE OF SUPPORTING ARMS, PARTICULARLY AIR, BECAME MORE DIFFICULT. HELICOPTER MOVES, INCLUDING EVACUATION, WAS MUCH MORE DIFFICULT, HOWEVER CHOPPERS WERE STILL UTILIZED EXTENSIVELY. BY THE 25TH, IT BECAME APPARENT THAT THE 324TH, WHICH HAD NOW BEEN TOTALLY CONFIRMED, WAS BREAKING CONTACT AND WITHDRAWING. USMC UNITS WERE REPOSITIONED AND THE SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS CONTINUED WITH MORE EMPHASIS ON THE SEARCH. CONTACT CONTINUED TO DIMINISH AND UNITS COMMENCED TO BE WITHDRAWN. BY THE 2ND OF AUG, TF DELTA HAD BEEN DEACTIVATED AND CONTROL OF HASTINGS WHICH NOW INVOLVE ONLY 2 BN'S EXERCISED BY THE 4TH MARINES, HAS NOW ENTERED A SURVEILLANCE PHASE WITH THE 2 BN'S NOW EMPLOYED CONDUCTING A DETAILED SEARCH OF THE AREA. NVA CASUALTIES ARE CONTINUING TO BE UNCOVERED BUT CONTACTS ARE VERY LIGHT. *OPER TERM*
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SIGNIFICANT ASPECTS OF HASTINGS:

KC-130 AIRCRAFT WERE UTILIZED EXTENSIVELY, PARTICULARLY EARLY IN THE OPERATION TO REPOSITION UNITS AND EQUIPMENT FROM DANANG AND PHU BAI TO DONG HA WHICH WAS THE LOCATION OF THE LSA. 244 SORTIES WERE FLOWN IN THE INITIAL BUILDUP PERIOD. 1253 TONS OF CARGO AND 2424 PERSONNEL WERE LIFTED.

TOTAL ACFT SORTIES WERE AS FOLLOWS:	USMC FIXED WING:	1209
	USMC HELICOPTERS:	11,211
	OTHER SUPPORT:	_____
	B-52 STRIKES:	2019

over half of the fixed wing strikes were controlled by A-1 Support Radar team at Dong Ha, dropping over 700 tons of ordnance. Normally used for adverse weather & night strikes

NGF MISSIONS: NONE ACTUALLY IN HASTINGS AREA.

THE HASTINGS OPERATION INVOLVED APPROXIMATELY 5400 MARINES ON THE GROUND, SUPPORTED BY APPROXIMATELY 1500 FROM THE WING AGAINST ELEMENTS OF THE 324TH WHOSE STRENGTH WAS ESTIMATED TO BE 5000.

THE CASUALTY FIGURES FOR THE OPERATION TO DATE INCLUDE: NVA 882 KIA WITH 824 KILLED BY USMC, 929 KIA (PROBABLE), 254 WPNS CAPTURED. MARINE CASUALTIES WERE: 126 KIA, 448 WIA.

GEN WESTMORELAND COMMENTED THAT OPERATION HASTINGS BLUNTED A COMMUNIST OFFENSIVE THAT MAY HAVE BEEN AIMED AT MAJOR CITIES IN I CORPS, AND THAT INDICATIONS ARE THAT THE 324B DIVISION HAS GONE BACK TO NVN ACROSS THE DMZ.

LESSONS LEARNED: IT IS TOO EARLY FOR III MAF TO HAVE COMPLETED AN ANALYSIS OF OPERATION HASTINGS TO COME UP WITH FIRM LESSONS LEARNED. HOWEVER, FROM HERE, IT APPEARS CONSIDERATION MAY BE GIVEN TO THE FOLLOWING POINTS.

1. SOME SPECULATION THAT NVA INFILTRATED OVER DMZ BECAUSE OF INTERDICTION OF INFILTRATION ROUTES TO WEST THROUGH LAOS. THIS IS NOT NECESSARILY TRUE. THE INFILTRATION ROUTES TO THE WEST WERE PREVIOUSLY INTENDED FOR MOVEMENTS FURTHER SOUTH. IN THIS PARTICULAR CASE, THE NVA WAS INTENDED FOR QUANG TRI PROVINCE. THE SHORTEST ROUTES WAS THRU ITS DMZ. THUS, NORTH VIETNAM WILLING TO VIOLATE DMZ IF TO THEIR ADVANTAGE.

2. INTELLIGENCE: IT WAS AGAIN DEMONSTRATED THAT IT IS DIFFICULT TO GET RAPID RELIABLE INTELLIGENCE. INDICATIONS EARLY IN JULY THAT ELEMENTS OF 324B HAD INFILTRATED. NOT CONFIRMED UNTIL ACTUAL CONTACT WAS MADE AND PRISONERS TAKEN.

3. TERRAIN: THE TERRAIN NOT TOO UNLIKE GUADACANAL, ONLY MORE SO. UNDOUBTEDLY, III MAF IS ANALYZING THE EFFECTS OF THIS TERRAIN, ESPECIALLY THE DENSE JUNGLE ON CLOSE AIR SUPPORT, HELICOPTER OPERATIONS, AND ARTILLERY SUPPORT. LOOKING AT IT FROM THIS VANTAGE POINT, IT APPEARS THAT RADAR CONTROLLED AIR SUPPORT STRIKES MAY HAVE A MUCH GREATER APPLICATION IN JUNGLE AREAS, AS IS INDICATED BY THE FACT THAT only 800 SORTIES WERE RADAR CONTROLLED.

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REPORTS FROM THE QUANG TRI AREA, NORTHWEST AREA WHERE THEY ARE NOW FIGHTING, EMPHASIZED A GREAT DEAL OF DIGGING HAVING BEEN DONE BY THE ENEMY. THE AREA IS OF EXTREMELY THICK JUNGLE-TYPE GROWTH, NOT UNLIKE GUADALCANAL, ONLY HIGHER WITH A LITTLE MORE RAIN FOREST.

YESTERDAY, AIR DETECTED A SIZEABLE FORCE MOVING SOUTH. THEY MAY HAVE VERY WELL COME THROUGH THE DMZ. THEY WERE ATTACKED BY AIR AND TURNED AROUND AND FLED. THEY NEVER CAME INTO CONTACT WITH OUR PEOPLE. THEY FLED TO THE NORTH IN THE DIRECTION OF NORTH VIETNAM BUT AIR LOST THEM SO IT IS UNKNOWN AS TO WHETHER THEY FLED THROUGH THE DMZ.

THE EMPHASIS IS ON THE DEPTH OF THE FOLIAGE - THE ROUGHNESS OF THE GROUND IS A GREAT DIFFICULTY IN SEEING VERY MUCH FROM THE AIR.

THE WEAPONS WHICH WE HAVE CAPTURED ARE IN MOST CASES NEW AND IN EXCELLENT CONDITION BUT IT IS INTERESTING TO NOTE HOW OFTEN THE NVN TROOPS WILL NOT FIGHT. THEY USUALLY TURN AROUND AND SCAMPER AWAY.

IT IS SIGNIFICANT THAT ALTHOUGH THEY HAVE FOUND CLOTHING IN LARGE AMOUNTS, THEY HAVE FOUND MEDICAL SUPPLIES, AMMUNITION AND WEAPONS, THEY HAVE FOUND NO RICE CACHES AND THE ENEMY DEAD HAVE TURNED OUT TO HAVE NO MORE THAN A POUND OF RICE ON THEIR BODIES. THIS IS ABOUT A HALF-DAY'S CHOW. POWS HAVE SPOKEN OF THE LACK OF FOOD STATING THAT IT WAS EXPECTED THAT THEY WOULD GET THEIR FOOD IN SOUTH VIETNAM. OUR OWN PEOPLE ARE TIRED BUT THEIR MORALE IS EXTREMELY HIGH.

THE WEATHER FOR AIR HAS BEEN MOSTLY GOOD BUT NOT ALWAYS. IT CLOSED IN YESTERDAY AFTERNOON BUT FOR THE MOST PART IT HAS BEEN GOOD.

IT APPEARED FROM INTERROGATING PRISONERS THAT THE ENEMY'S TACTICS HAVE BEEN TO SEEK OUT CAREFULLY POSSIBLE HELICOPTER LANDING SITES AND THEN TO STAKE THEM OUT HOPING THAT WHEN WE COME IN THEY CAN EXACT CASUALTIES AND OF COURSE THEY HAVE DONE SOME OF THIS. THE GENERAL IMPRESSION AS OF TODAY IN VIETNAM IS THAT MOST OF THE ENEMY WHICH WE WERE IN CONTACT WITH APPEAR TO BE MOVING AWAY IN SMALL GROUPS.

IN DI LOC, WHICH IS NEAR AN HUE IN THE DANANG TAOR, AN AREA WHICH WE HAVE RECENTLY OCCUPIED, TWO VC WHO WERE CAPTURED ESCAPED. THE LOCAL VILLAGERS CAUGHT THEM AND BROUGHT THEM BACK.

THE ROAD BUILDING PROJECT AT AN HUE ON BOTH SIDES OF THE RIVER IS GOING FORWARD RAPIDLY AND THEY HOPE IN ABOUT TWO WEEKS TO HAVE THE ROAD FINISHED AT WHICH TIME THEY WILL INSTALL A FERRY AND WILL BE POSSIBLE TO DRIVE FROM AN HUE TO THE COAST.

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THE FIRST DIVISION HAS DONE EFFECTIVE THINGS IN TERMS OF USING NATIVE SAMPANS FOR NIGHT SURPRIZE LANDINGS TO ENTRAP VC SOUTH OF CHU LAI ON WHICH THEY HAD SOME INTELLIGENCE AND IT HAS WORKED WELL IN CREATING SURPRIZE.

THE ARTILLERY SNIPING WHICH HAS BEEN GOING ON SOUTHWEST OF CHU LAI FOR A MONTH CONTINUES TO GRIND DOWN THE VC AND THEY HAVEN'T FOUND A COUNTER FOR IT YET.

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AIRCRAFT LOSSES

<u>DATE</u>	<u>MODEL</u>	<u>TYPE LOSS</u>
8 JUL	CH-46	COMBAT
14 JUL	CH-46	COMBAT
	CH-46	COMBAT
	CH-46	COMBAT
15 JUL	F-4B	COMBAT
	CH-46	OPERATIONAL
22 JUL	UH-34	OPERATIONAL
5 JUL	UH-34	OPERATIONAL
<u>TOTAL</u>	4 CH-46	COMBAT
	1 CH-46	OPERATIONAL
	2 UH-34	OPERATIONAL
	<u>7 HELOS</u>	
	1 F-4B	COMBAT

BACKGROUND

FOR SOME TIME NOW MACV HAS BEEN CONCERNED ABOUT THE TWO NORTHERN PROVINCES OF I CORPS - QUANG TRI AND THUA THIEN. MACV'S PERSONAL FEELING HAS BEEN THAT THE VIET CONG MAY ATTEMPT TO SIEZE THESE NORTHERN TWO PROVINCES AND SET UP A VIET CONG GOVERNMENT SO THAT IN THE EVENT NEGOTIATIONS MATERIALIZE THIS GOVERNMENT COULD SIT AS A DE FACTO GOVERNMENT OF A PART OF SOUTH VIET NAM. HE FEELS THAT THE SHORT LINES OF COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN NORTH VIET NAM AND THESE TWO PROVINCES ENHANCES THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH A MOVE ON THE PART OF THE VIET CONG.

BASED ON THE ABOVE AND THE INTELLIGENCE INPUTS DETAILED BELOW III MAF LAUNCHED A 1 BN OPERATION "HASTINGS".

SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

MAP POINT

1. 11 MAY RALLIER PICKED UP. CLAIMED TO BE FROM ADVANCE PARTY OF 324 DIV.
2. 5 JULY 2ND ARVN REGT CAPTURED WOUNDED PRISONER AFTER FIRE FIGHT. CAPTIVE STATED HE WAS FROM 812TH REGT.
3. 7 JULY 2/1(-) COMMENCED RECON OPERATIONS IN HASTINGS AREA.
- 3A. 8 JULY AT 081830H, 1 CH-46 SHOT DOWN BY INTENSE GROUND FIRE 8 MILES SW OF CAM LO.
- 7-9 JULY RECON ELEMENTS REPORTED LIGHT CONTACT THROUGHOUT AREA. RECON UNIT AMBUSH VC COLUMN.
5. 8 JULY OPERATION LAM SON 288 BEGAN. ON 9 JULY AN NVA DEFECTOR WHO CLAIMED TO BE A LT FROM 3RD BN, 812TH REGT WAS PICKED UP.
6. 9 JULY ARVN 2ND ABN BN RECEIVED 200 ROUNDS MORTAR FIRE.
7. 10 JULY ARVN 2ND ABN BN HEAVILY ENGAGED AND WITHDRAWN.
8. 10 JULY RECON TEAM IN HASTINGS ENCOUNTER 2 ENEMY CO'S. TEAM RETRACTED.

BECAUSE OF THE SCOPE AND AMOUNT OF CONTACT IT WAS DECIDED TO EXPAND THE OPERATION

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INTO A COORDINATED USMC/ARVN MULTI-BN OPERATION. (SEE NEXT 1:250,000 MAP). THE AREA WAS DIVIDED INTO SECTIONS WITH THE 1ST AND 2ND BN OF THE 1ST ARVN REGT CONDUCTING OPERATIONS IN AREA A, TASK FORCE DELTA WITH 3 USMC BN'S IN AREA B, AN ARVN TASK FORCE WITH THE 2ND, 6TH, AND 8TH AIRBORNE BN'S IN AREA C, AND THE SLF CONDUCTING A LANDING IN THE AOA. (SEE 1ST 1:50,000 MAP FOR 15-16 JULY).

SEQUENCE

1. 150500H QUICK PUNCH 1,3,4, ARC LIGHT B-52 STRIKES EXECUTED.
2. 150800H LEADING ELEMENTS (3/4) TF DELTA COMMENCED LANDING BY HELICOPTER IN LZ. 3 CHOPPERS LOST IN LZ DUE TO HITTING BAMBOO AND OVER-FLYING LZ. NO CONTACT REPORTED.
3. 150810H A CH-46 ON TROOP LIFT RECEIVED FIRE ON ENTERING HLZ WITH SLIGHT DAMAGE TO HELO AND ONE KIA.
4. 150935H 2/4 COMMENCED LANDING IN LZ. MOVED OUT IN EXTREMELY HEAVY VEGETATION TOWARD 3/4. NO CONTACT.

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5. 151020H 3/4 COMPLETED LIFT. ESTABLISHED BLOCKING POSITIONS. K/3/4 DISCOVERED 57 CASES 7.62 AMMO AND 183 ROUNDS 81 AMMO. 3/4 RECEIVED FIRE FROM EAST AND NORTHWEST. SUPPORTING ARMS CALLED IN. UNKNOWN RESULTS. CH-46 WITH 12 TROOPS HIT BY ESTIMATED 12.7MM 13 MILES NW OF DONG HA (YD 039649). CASUALTIES 13 KIA.

6. 151025H 1/3 MARINES ENTERED OPERATION AND CAME UNDER OPCON OF TASK FORCE DELTA AND CLOSED DONG HA AT 151455H.

7. 151215H K/3/4 CONTACTED 15 VC. 2 USMC KIA, 2 WIA; 2 VC KIA.

8. 151810H TWO COMPANIES OF 3/4 RECEIVED HEAVY SMALL ARMS FIRE WHILE SEARCHING FOR SURVIVORS FROM DOWNED CHOPPER. SMALL ARMS AND SUPPORTING ARMS UTILIZED. FIRE FIGHT LASTED UNTIL 2030H.

9. 151930H 1/3 ENCOUNTERED VC, KILLING 5 WITH 2 USMC WIA.

TOTAL CASUALTIES AS OF 15 JULY:

USMC

19 KIA
20 WIA

VC

30 KIA
23 KIA(PROB)

10. 151745H F4B FROM VMFA-323 BURST INTO FLAMES AFTER PULLING UP FROM NAPALM RUN WHILE ON COVER MISSION 17 MILES SW OF DONG HA (YD 010360). BOTH PILOTS RECOVERED.

11. 160837H K/3/4 CALLED ARTY AND AIR ON VC. 25 VC KIA, 1 VCC.

12. 161320H TF DELTA ASSUMED OPCON OF 1/1 WHICH ARRIVED AT DONG HA AT 161600H.

13. 161900H ARTY MISSION RESULTED IN 28 KIA(BC).

14. 162053H 2/4 LINKED UP WITH 3/4.

TOTAL CASUALTIES AS OF 16 JULY.

USMC

32 KIA
52 WIA

ARVN

3 KIA
6 WIA

VC

93 KIA
1 VCC

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15. AT 170925H, 2/1 WAS HELILIFTE 4 LZ IN SW CORNER OF OPERATING AREA. NEGATIVE CONTACT.

16. AT 171138H, FOUR B-52 EXECUTED ARC LIGHT STRIKE.

17. SLF CHOPPED OPCON III MAF AT 180048H. TF DELTA ASSUMED OPCON 3/5 AT 180700H. AT 181229H, BLT 3/5 COMMENCED HELIBORNE ASSAULT IN THE AREA TO EXPLOIT THE B-52 STRIKE OF 17 JULY.

18. UPON ENTERING THE LANDING ZONE, M/3/5 RECEIVED HEAVY FIRE FROM AN ESTIMATED VC COMPANY. ARMED UH-1E HELOS AND FIXED WING ACFT SUPPORTED M/3/5 AS THEY ADVANCED WITH SMALL ARMS AND MACHINE GUN FIRE. THE VC BROKE CONTACT TO THE NORTHEAST LEAVING 21 KIA BEHIND. USMC CASUALTIES FROM THIS ACTION WERE 5 KIA AND 5 WIA.

19. AT 181615H, K/3/4 MOVING IN COLUMN RECEIVED MORTAR FIRE ON THE REAR OF THE COLUMN CUTTING THE COLUMN INTO SEVERAL GROUPS. FIXED WING STRIKE AIRCRAFT CONDUCTED NAPALM RUNS AND SILENCED THE ENEMY MORTARS. AT 181825H, CONTACT WAS LOST WITH THE FIRST PLATOON, INCLUDING SOME ENGINEERS AND AN NBC NEWS CREW. AT 182125H, CONTACT WAS REESTABLISHED WITH THE PLATOON AND THEY WERE REPORTED MOVING TOWARD THE BATTALION CP. INITIAL REPORTS STATE THAT PERSONNEL OF THE NBC NEWS TEAM WERE NOT INJURED. USMC CASUALTIES FROM THIS ACTION WERE REPORTED AS 14 KIA, 48 WIA AND 1 MIA.

see next page for a detailed account

20. AT 181720H, 2/1 (ARVN) LOCATED ABOUT FOUR MILES NORTHEAST OF CAM LO WAS REPORTED SURROUNDED BY AN ESTIMATED VC BATTALION. THE 1/1 (ARVN) REINFORCED BY THE BLACK PANTHER COMPANY AND TANKS MOVED TO ASSIST 2/1 (ARVN). AT 181945H, CONTACT WITH THE UNIT WAS REPORTED AND TASK FORCE DELTA ARTILLERY SUPPORT CEASED AT 182000H.

NO SIGNIFICANT ENEMY CONTACT WAS REPORTED IN USMC ZONE AFTER 182130H OR IN THE ARVN ZONE AFTER 182400H.

CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES ARE:

<u>USMC</u>	<u>ARVN</u>	<u>VC</u>
48 KIA	14 KIA	204 KIA
117 WIA	16 WIA	4 VCC
1 MIA		62 IND WPNS
		8 CREW SERVED WPNS

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AT APPROXIMATELY 181400H, 3/4 BEGAN MOVING OUT OF ITS COMMAND POST. THE BN, CONSISTING OF THREE COMPANIES, I, K, AND L, MOVED OUT IN A COLUMN TO THE NE. TWO PLATOONS OF CO "K" PROVIDED REAR SECURITY FOR THE COLUMN. AS THE COLUMN MOVED OUT, TWO PLTS WERE IN PSN ON THE HIGH GROUND. AS THE REMAINDER OF THE COLUMN CLEARED THE CP, THE PLT ON THE FIRST PSN BEGAN TO WITHDRAW UNDER THE COVER OF THE PLT IN THE SECOND PSN. LEFT AT THE CP AT THIS TIME WERE THE TWO PLATOONS, AND HEADQUARTERS OF K CO WITH ENGR DETACHMENT. AS THE LAST ELEMENTS MOVED OUT THE PLAN WAS TO DESTROY THE THREE CH-46 HELICOPTERS THAT HAD CRASHED AT THE PSN ON 15 JULY DURING A HELILIFT. AT APPROX 181500H AN ESTIMATED 20 RDS OF 82MM MORTAR FIRE WAS RECEIVED ALONG THE COLUMN AND AT THE CP AREA. AS IT MOVED AWAY FROM THE CP, THE BN COLUMN BECAME SEPARATED IN SEVERAL PLACES AND SEPARATED FROM THE TWO PLTS IN THE CP. AS THE MORTAR FIRE WAS RECEIVED AN ESTIMATED 1000 VC ASSAULTED THE BN CP AND CLOSED WITH AND CLASHED WITH THE 2 PLTS OF CO K. TOTAL STRENGTH OF THE 2 PLTS OF CO K WAS APPROXIMATELY 65 MARINES INCLUDING THE CO COMMANDER. THE VC ASSAULTED THE CP PSNS FROM 4 SEPARATE AVENUES OF APPROACH. THEY WERE ALL DRESSED IN GREEN KHAKI UNIFORMS AND WORE STEEL HELMET LINERS. ALL VC WORE TENNIS SHOES. THE VC WERE CONTROLLED BY HAND AND ARM SIGNALS AND BUGLES. THE VC STRENGTH IS ESTIMATED TO BE APPROX 1000 MEN, SIX MORTARS. THE REST SET UP BY THE VC IN THE SAME MORTAR POSITIONS USED BY MARINES. HEAVY FIGHTING AT CLOSE RANGE TOOK PLACE BETWEEN THE VC AND THE 2 PLTS OF CO K. ONE OF THE TWO PLTS OF CO K OCCUPIED A PSN ON THE HIGH GROUND OVERLOOKING THE CP SITE. MARINES RETURNED FIRE WITH SMALL ARMS AND M-79 FIRE AND GRENADES. AFTER THE ATTACK BEGAN COMPANY L WITH THE BN EXECUTIVE OFFICER BEGAN MOVING BACK TO THE CP SITE TO REINFORCE THE TWO PLATOONS OF K CO. MOVEMENT WAS DIFFICULT AND THE COLUMN WAS RECEIVING SMALL ARMS FIRE. THE BN COMMANDER IN THE MEANTIME WAS DIRECTING ARTY FIRE AND AIRSTRIKES ON THE VC. THE TWO PLATOONS OF CO K FOUGHT THEIR WAY OUT OF THE CP WHILE ARTY AND AIRSTRIKES WERE BEING CONDUCTED ON THE VC POSITIONS. THE COMPANY COMMANDER OF K COMPANY AND OTHERS IN THE CP REPORT THAT ARTILLERY AND AIR STRIKES WERE EXTREMELY EFFECTIVE AND INFLICTED HEAVY CASUALTIES ON THE VC WHO HAD BECOME BUNCHED UP IN LARGE GROUPS AROUND THE DOWNED HELICOPTERS AND MORTAR POSITIONS. NAPALM WAS PARTICULARLY EFFECTIVE AGAINST THE VC AS THE TWO PLATOONS OF CO K MOVED AWAY FROM CP SITE. APPROXIMATELY 20 MINUTES AFTER THE INITIAL ATTACK, THEY WERE NOT PHYSICALLY PURSUED DUE TO THE VC HEAVY CASUALTIES. THE MARINES WERE PERSUED BY FIRE, HOWEVER, THE TWO PLATOONS OF CO K MET CO L WHO HAD COME IN TO REINFORCE THEM. SPORADIC SMALL ARMS FIRE WAS RECEIVED UNTIL APPROXIMATELY 181800H. NO MORTAR FIRE WAS RECEIVED AFTER THE INITIAL 20 RDS THAT SEPARATED THE COLUMN FROM THE TWO PLTS OF CO K. FOURTEEN MARINES WERE LISTED AS KIA, BODIES NOT RECOVERED. ONE MARINE LISTED AS MIA AND ANOTHER 48 ARE REPORTED WIA. ENEMY PERS LOSSES ARE ESTIMATED TO BE 500 KIA. THIS ESTIMATE IS FURNISHED BY THE BN EXECUTIVE OFFICER, THE CO OF CO K, A PLATOON COMMANDER AND OTHER MARINES, AND PRESS CORRESPONDENTS WHO WERE IN THE CP DURING THE ATTACKS: RESULTS OF THIS ACTION: VC 138 KIA(CONF); 362 KIA(PROB)

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K/3/4 ATTACK DETAILS

OPERATION HASTINGS (CONTINUED)

THE OPERATION CONTINUED ON THE 21ST WITH LIGHT CONTACT.

1. AT 210230H, "M" BTRY 4/12 (155 HOW) RECEIVED A GROUND ATTACK BY UNKNOWN NUMBER OF NVA/VC ON THEIR POSITION RESULTING IN 7 USMC WIA AND 3 155'S DAMAGED. 1 NVA/VC WAS KILLED.
2. AT 211200H, 3/4 REVERTED TO TF DELTA RESERVE AND 1/3 WAS HELILIFTED INTO THE AREA TO ASSUME 3/4 MISSION.

DURING THE DAY, ELEMENTS OF TF DELTA LOCATED 77 NVA/VC BODIES, SOME IN SHALLOW GRAVES, FOUND A CONSIDERABLE QUANTITY OF WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT, INCLUDING TNT, ROCKET LAUNCHERS, GRENADES, INDIVIDUAL WEAPONS AND HAD SEVERAL LIGHT CONTACT'S.

1ST MARINES COMMAND GROUP COMMITTED TO TF DELTA. LOCATED AT DONG HA.

3. AT 212100H, 2/1 MADE CONTACT WITH LARGE NUMBER OF NVA/VC APPARENTLY ATTEMPTING TO EXFILTRATE TO THE WEST. NO RESULTS OF THIS ACTION ARE AVAILABLE.
4. AT 221040H, A PLATOON PATROL FROM 2/1 ENCOUNTERED APPROXIMATELY 63 NVA/VC. THE ENEMY BROKE CONTACT AFTER A BRIEF FIRE FIGHT AND FLED WITH UNKNOWN CASUALTIES. USMC SUFFERED 2 WIA.
5. FROM 221230H UNTIL 222330H, L AND M COMPANIES OF 3/5 MADE INTERMITTENT CONTACT WITH 65 NVA/VC. CASUALTIES DURING THIS ACTION WERE: USMC 11 KIA, 20 WIA; NVA/VC 23 KIA.
6. AT 221445H, COMPANIES E, G, AND H OF 2/4 MADE SEVERAL CONTACTS WITH THE ENEMY. RESULT USMC 3 KIA, 1 WIA; NVA/VC 4 KIA.
7. FROM 230920H TO 1300H, C/1/1 BECAME HEAVILY ENGAGED WITH AN ESTIMATED 50 NVA. D/1/1 REINFORCED C/1/1 AND TOGETHER WITH MORTAR AND AIR STRIKES, ROUTED THE ENEMY UNIT. RESULTS: USMC 4 KIA, 18 WIA; NVA/VC 14 KIA, 2 CAPTURED, AND NUMEROUS RIFLES, AMMO AND OTHER MISC ITEMS CAPTURED.
8. AT 231200H, M/3/5 SEARCHING FOR THE REPORTED CP OF THE 803D NVA REGT, FOUND 250 FRESHLY DUG FIGHTING HOLES AND BUNKERS. AT 1525H, THE COMPANY WAS TAKEN UNDER FIRE BY AUTOMATIC WEAPONS AND GRENADES FROM AN ESTIMATED 40 NVA, SOME OF WHICH WERE BANDAGED FROM PREVIOUS WOUNDS AND SOME HAD NO WEAPONS. THE NVA REFUSED TO SURRENDER AND THE MARINES OVERRAN THEIR POSITION. ACTION RESULTED IN 17 NVA KIA AND NUMEROUS

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WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT CAPTURED.

9. *Dot* AT 231555H, I/3/5 FOUND LARGE CACHE OF EQUIPMENT INCLUDING TWO MACHINE GUNS, 14 GAS MASKS, 25 UNIFORMS, SEVEN SMALL MORTARS OR RECOILLESS RIFLES, MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND DOCUMENTS.
10. FROM 232345H TO 241015H, 2/1 RECEIVED MORTAR AND SA FIRE FROM A NVA PLATOON. RETURNED SA/AW FIRE PURSUING THE ACTION TO THE NORTH WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.
- >11. AT 241240H, I/3/5 ENGAGED 100 NVA. K/3/5 MOVED TO ASSIST AND BECAME ENGAGED WITH THE NVA UNIT AT 241730H. M/3/5 ENGAGED THE ENEMY APPROXIMATELY 1000 METERS TO THE SOUTHWEST. AT 241900H, ENEMY FIRE WAS NEUTRALIZED AND THE NVA BROKE CONTACT. CASUALTIES FOR THIS ACTION: USMC 6 KIA, 21 WIA (ALL EVACUATED); NVA CASUALTIES UNKNOWN.
12. AT 241848H, 3/5 REPORTED ONE UH-34 HELICOPTER DOWN DUE TO ENEMY FIRE.
13. AT 241930H, 2/4 CP AND COMPANIES "E" AND "H" RECEIVED 25 ROUNDS 81MM. AT THE SAME TIME, ANOTHER COMPANY RECEIVED 25 RDS 60MM. SMALL ARMS/60MM/80MM AND ARTY WAS RETURNED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. USMC SUFFERED 1 KIA AND 60 WIA.
14. AT 250318H, AN ARTY MISSION IN SUPPORT OF 1/1 CAUSED LARGE FIRE AND LARGE SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS, FOLLOWED BY FOUR SEPARATE AND SMALLER EXPLOSIONS.
15. AT 250950H, A CH-34 LANDING IN LANDING ZONE HIT A TREE WITH ROTOR, FLIPPED OVER AND CRASHED RESULTING IN ONE USMC KIA AND ONE WIA.
16. AT 251030H, AIR STRIKE UNCOVERED NUMEROUS BUNKERS AND TRENCHES. FIVE ENEMY KILLED BY AIR.
17. AT 251425H, B/1/1 RECEIVED 81MM MORTAR ROUNDS. CALLED IN 81MM MORTAR AND ARTILLERY MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.
18. AT 251512H, C/2/4 RECEIVED 22 ROUNDS 81MM MORTAR, CALLED IN 81MM AND ARTILLERY MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.
19. *REM II* AT 252237H, "I" AND "K" COMPANIES OF 3/5 SEARCHED AREAS OF CONTACTS ON 24 JUL. THEY FOUND 17 NVA KIA(CONF), 66 KIA(PROB), NUMEROUS WEAPONS AND CONSIDERABLE EQUIPMENT.

CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES

USMC
116 KIA
448 WIA

ARVN
21 KIA
26 WIA

ENEMY
736 KIA 600 KIA(PROB)
11 CAPTURED
216 WPNS

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BACKGROUND

#1
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FOR SOME TIME NOW MACV HAS BEEN CONCERNED ABOUT THE FEELING HAS BEEN THAT THE VIET CONG MAY ATTEMPT TO SIEZE THESE NORTHERN TWO PROVINCES ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ AND SET UP A VIET CONG GOVERNMENT SO THAT IN THE EVENT NEGOTIATIONS THIS GOVERNMENT COULD SIT AS A DE FACTO GOVERNMENT OF A PART OF SOUTH VIET NAM. HE FEELS THAT THE SHORT LINES OF COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN NORTH VIET NAM AND THESE TWO PROVINCES ~~WEEK~~ ENHANCES THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH A MOVE ON THE PART OF THE VIET CONG.

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE NORTHERN TWO PROVINCES

#2
TRAN
EVIDENCE
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11 MAY - A RALLIER WAS PICKED UP BY ARVN FORCES 21 MILES WEST OF QUANG TRI CITY. HE STATED THAT HE WAS A MEMBER OF A 200 MAK ADVANCE PARTY OF THE 324TH NVA DIVISION, THAT THE ENTIRE DIVISION WOULD INFILTRATE ACROSS THE DMZ AND ATTACK BALONG AND QUANG TRI CITY.

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5 JULY - THE 2d ARVN REGT CAPTURED A WOUNDED CAPTIVE AFTER A FIRE FIGHT 16 MILES WEST OF QUANG TRI CITY. HE STATED THAT HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE 812th REGT OF THE 324B DIVISION, THAT THE REGT WAS LOCATED 14 MILES WEST OF QUANG TRI CITY AND THAT THE TWO OTHER REGTS WERE ~~XXXXXXXX~~ CONTINUING SOUTH. SUBSEQUENTLY HE STATED THAT THE DIVISION HAD MOVED TO QUANG BINH PROVINCE OF NVN IN MARCH OF 66 AND BEGAN MAKING PREPARATIONS FOR INFILTRATION INTO SOUTH VIET NAM. HE STATED THAT HIS REGT HAD CROSSED THE BEN HAI RIVER (ACROSS THE DMZ) 1 KM NW CAM LO AND HAD MOVED INTO ITS CURRENT LOCATION ON 20 JUNE.

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6 JULY - A SPAR REPORT WAS PICKED UP INDICATING ELEMENTS OF THE 324B DIVISION IN THIS AREA.

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7 JULY - OPERATION HASTINGS WAS BEGUN BY THE 2nd BN 1st MARINES IN THE QUANG TRI AREA. THE CONCEPT OF THIS OPERATION WAS FOR 2/1 TO BE LOCATED AT DONG HA AS A MOBILE STRIKE FORCE TO EXPLOIT ANY CONTACTS DEVELOPED BY RECON TEAMS INSERTED INTO THE OPERATING AREA.

⑤A

8 JULY - AT 081830H A CH-46 WAS SHOT DOWN BY INTENSE ENEMY GROUND FIRE 8 MILES SW OF CAM LO WHILE INSERTING A RCN TEAM.

ON THIS SAME DAY ARVN UNITS BEGAN OPERATION LAM SON 288 IN THIS GENERAL AREA.

⑥H

9 JULY - AN AMBUSH ESTABLISHED BY A RECON TEAM OF 2/1 KILLED 4 VC; THE RECON UNIT WAS EXTRACTED UNDER INTENSE SA FIRE.

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ON THE SAME DAY, A DEFECTOR TURNED HIMSELF IN TO ARVN FORCES IN THE LAM SON AREA. HE STATED THAT HE WAS A 2nd LT FROM THE 3d BN 812th REGT OF THE 324B DIVISION. HE STATED THAT THE MISSION OF HIS DIVISION WAS TO LIBERATE THE QUANG TRI PROVINCE BY DESTROYING ARVN FORCES LOCATED IN THAT PROVINCE. THEIR OBJECTIVES WERE DONG HA, CAM LO, CUA, CA LY AND BALONG. IN ADDITION, THEY WERE TO DESTROY ALL REINFORCEMENTS SENT INTO THE AREA. HE FURTHER STATED THAT ANOTHER DIVISION WOULD BE ADVANCING ALONG ROUTE 9 FROM LAOS AND THAT THIS DIVISION WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF FOOD, WEAPONS, AND ~~XXXXXXXX~~ THE QUANG TRI PROVINCE.

task force delta hqs and artilley units are LOCAED AT
CAM LO. MARINE UNITS WILL OPERATE IN ZONE BRAVO ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~
~~XX~~
~~XX~~

ARVN UNITS WILL OPERATE IN ZONE ALPHA.

AN ARVN AIRBORN TASK FORCE WILL OPERATE IN ZONE CHARLIE.

A LOGISTIC SUPPORT AREA, WITH ONE COMPANY AS SECURITY, ~~XXXX~~
IS LOCATED AT DONG HA.

COMMENCING 15 JULY, TF DELTA INITIATES SEARCH AND DESTROY
OPERATIONS BY LANDING 3/4 AS INDICATED TO SEARCH FOR THE CP
OF THE 324th B DIVISION.

2/4 LANDS AS INDICATED TO CONDUCT SEARCH AND DESTROY OPNS
IN THE SOUTH WEST.

2/1 (-) REMAINS IN RESERVE AT CAM LO.

2 ARVN BNS PLUS ONE APC COMPANY CONDUCT OPNS IN ZONE ALPHA.

3 ARVN AIRBORNE BATTALION CONDUCT OPERATIONS IN ZONE CHARLIE.

~~THE ARVN OPERATION IS DESIGNATED AS LAM SON 289.~~

Trans # 6 SLF Deckhouse #

IN CONJUNCTION WITH OPERATION HASTINGS AND CLOSELY COORDINATED
SLF WILL LAND AT 160630H (TODAY 151830 WASHINGTON TIME).
THE AOA IS AS INDICATED. LANDING BEACHES AND HELICOPTER LZ'S
AS INDICATED.

THE ESTIMATED DURATION OF THIS OPERATION IS 7 TO 10 DAYS.

Trans # 7 2 Corp Aivan Pass

AS A POSSIBLE FOLLOW ON TO THIS OPERATION, A CONTINGENCY FOR
OPERATION SOUTH CAROLINA HAS BEEN DEVELOPED. THIS OPERATION CALL
FOR MOVING ONE DIVISION NORTH OF THE AIVAN PASS FOR OPERATIONS
IN THE QUANG TRI AND THUA THIEN PROVINCES. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~
THE 3rd MARINE DIVISION WOULD CONDUCT THIS OPERATION. IGNORING
FOR THE TIME BEING THE FORCES DEPLOYED FOR OPERATION HASTINGS, THIS
PLAN CALLS FOR THE USE OF A REGT FROM DANANG, A REGT FROM CHU LAI
AND THE REGT PREVIOUSLY LOCATED AT PHU BAI FOR THE OPERATION.
AN ADDITIONAL HMM SQUADRON AND A VMO SQUADRON TO PHU BAI. SLF

ADDITIONAL MACV HAS MADE AVAILABLE, THE 1st Brigade of the
101st AIRBORNE FOR DEPLOYMENT TO DANANG AND THE ROK MARINE BRIGADE
FOR DEPLOYMENT TO CHU LAI. THE LATEST WORD FROM III MAF IS THAT
THEY CAN CONDUCT OPERATION SOUTH CAROLINA WITH OR WITHOUT THE ARMY
BRIGADE.

⑥ STILL ON 9 JULY - THE ARVN 2d AIRBORNE BRIGADE RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY 200 RDS OF 81 MM MORTAR FIRE 5 MILES SW OF CAM LO.

⑦ 10 JULY - THE 2d ARN ABN BN BECAME HEAVILY ENGAGED AND WAS WITHDRAWN DUE TO ITS QUOTE UNTENABLE POSITION UNQUOTE. (A US ADVISOR WITH THE BATTALION ESTIMATED THAT THE BATTALION HAD BEEN IN CONTACT WITH AT LEAST 3 ENEMY REGTS). LAM SON TERMINATED.

⑧ ON THE SAME DAY A 2/1 RECON TEAM ENCOUNTERED AN ESTIMATED 2 COS WITH PACKS AND EQUIPMENT APPROXIMATELY 13 MILES NW CAM LO. THE TEAM WAS EXTRACTED.

*Recon contacts
KAE SHAN*

ON 12 JULY A COMMAND GROU OF 2/4 WITH 3 BATTALIONS WAS ADDED TO OPERATION HASTINGS. AND 2 ARTILLEY BATTALIONS WERE CHOPPED TO OPCON OF 2/1 FOR ADDITIONAL FIRE SUPPORT.

* *TRANS #3 Location of SNVA units Rndown*
ON 12, 14 and 15 July THREE ARC LIGHT (B-52) STRIKES WERE CONDUCTED IN THE AREA HITTING A TOTAL OF 8 TRAGETS WHERE IT WAS BELIEVED ELEMENTS OF THE 324 B DIVISION WERE LOCATED.

* *Trans #4 Concept of three operations*
AT 150800 H (WHICH WOULD BE YESTERDAY AT 2000 WASHINGTON TIME AN EXPANDED CONCEPT FOR OPERATION HASTINGS WAS EXECUTED.

Trans #5 Hastings
CONCEPT IS AS FOLLOWS:

TASK FORCE DELTA WAS ORGANIZED TO CONTROL THE OPERATION (ALTHOUGH IT HAS NOT BEEN STATED, I AM GUESSING THAT THE TASK FORCE DELTA HQS IS FROM THE 1st DIVISION UNDER THE COMMAND OF GENERAL ENGLISH SINCE THERE WAS A CONTINGENCY PLAN FOR SUCH A PURPOSE)

THE TASK FORCE CONSISTS OF THE 4th MARINES REINFORCE CONTAINING 2/1, 2/4, 3/4 and 3/12(REIN). (I MIGHT POINT OUT THAT ALL OF THESE UNITS ARE FROM THE HUE PHU BAI TAOR. THIS LEAVES 1 BATTALION ~~XXXX~~ (1/4) AT HUE PHU BAI ALTHOUGH THERE MIGHT BE ADDITIONAL COMPANIES FROM THE BATTALIONS DEPLOYED TO THE NORTH REMAINING AT PHU BAI SINCE IT HAS BEEN CUSTOMARY IN THE PAST TO ~~XXXX~~ USE 2 or 3 COMPANY BATTALIONS ON OPERATION SUCH AS THIS.

IN ADDITION, THE 1st MARINES (WITH 2 COMPANIES) LOCATED AT DANANG HAS BEEN MADE AVAILABLE FOR EXPLOITATION.

THE CONCEPT IS AS FOLLOWS:

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EXPANSION OF OPN HASTINGS

SEQUENCE

150500H QUICK PUNCH 1,3,4, ARC LIGHT B-52 STRIKES EXECUTED

150800H LEADING ELEMENTS (3/4) TF DELTA COMMENCED LANDING BY HELICOPTER IN LZ. 3 CHOPPERS LOST IN LZ DUE TO HITTING BAMBOO (YD 038649) AND OVER-FLYING LZ. NO CONTACT REPORTED. ZK
7W

150810H A CH-46 ON TROOP LIFT RECEIVED FIRE ON ENTERING HLZ WITH SLIGHT DAMAGE TO HELO. ONE POSSIBLE KIA ABOUT 14 MILES WNW OF DONG HA (YD 038649).

151745H F4B FROM FMFA-223 BURST INTO FLAMES AFTER PULLING UP FROM NAPALM RUN WHILE ON COVER MISSION 17 MILES SW OF DONG HA (YD 010-360). BOTH PILOTS RECOVERED.

152100H FMFPAC COMMAND CENTER ADVISED THAT 2/4 AND 3/4 HAVE ENTERED THE OPERATION. NO TIMING WAS AVAILABLE.

151815H CH-46 WITH 12 TROOPS HIT BY ESTIMATED 12.7MM 12 MILES NW OF DONG HA (YD 038649). HELO CAUGHT FIRE AND EXPLODED 15 SECONDS AFTER TOUCH DOWN IN HLZ. CASUALTIES UNKNOWN.

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SEQUENCE

1. 150500H QUICK PUNCH 1,3,4. ARC LIGHT B-52 STRIKES EXECUTED. *0364*
2. 150800H LEADING ELEMENTS (3/4) TF DELTA COMMENCED LANDING BY HELICOPTER IN LZ. 3 CHOPPERS LOST IN LZ DUE TO HITTING BAMBOO AND OVER-FLYING LZ. NO CONTACT REPORTED. *022605*
- > 3. 150810H A CH-46 ON TROOP LIFT RECEIVED FIRE ON ENTERING HLZ WITH SLIGHT DAMAGE TO HELO AND ONE KIA. *031642*
- > 4. 150935H 2/4 COMMENCED LANDING IN LZ. MOVED OUT IN EXTREMELY HEAVY VEGETATION TOWARD 3/4. NO CONTACT. *080660*
- > 5. 151020H 3/4 COMPLETED LIFT. ESTABLISHED BLOCKING POSITIONS. K/3/4 DISCOVERED 57 CASES 7.62 AMMO AND 183 ROUNDS 81 AMMO. 3/4 RECEIVED FIRE FROM EAST AND NORTHWEST. SUPPORTING ARMS CALLED IN. UNKNOWN RESULTS. CH-46 WITH 12 TROOPS HIT BY ESTIMATED 12.7MM 13 MILES NW OF DONG HA (YD 039649). CASUALTIES 13 KIA. *042640*
- > 6. 151025H 1/3 MARINES ENTERED OPERATION AND CAME UNDER OPCON OF TASK FORCE DELTA AND CLOSED DONG HA AT 151455H. *DONG HA*
- > 7. 151215H K/3/4 CONTACTED 15 VC. 2 USMC KIA, 2 WIA; 2 VC KIA. *039633*
- > 8. 151810H TWO COMPANIES OF 3/4 RECEIVED HEAVY SMALL ARMS FIRE WHILE SEARCHING FOR SURVIVORS FROM DOWNED CHOPPER. SMALL ARMS AND SUPPORTING ARMS UTILIZED. FIRE FIGHT LASTED UNTIL 2030H. *035649*
- > 9. 151930H 1/3 ENCOUNTERED VC, KILLING 5 WITH 2 USMC WIA. *155615*

TOTAL CASUALTIES AS OF 15 JULY:

USMC

VC

19 KIA
20 WIA

30 KIA
23 KIA (PROB)

200 550 ARROW OFF OF MAP

10. 151745H F4B FROM VMFA-323 BURST INTO FLAMES AFTER PULLING UP FROM NAPALM RUN WHILE ON COVER MISSION 17 MILES SW OF DONG HA (YD 010360). BOTH PILOTS RECOVERED. *029649*
11. 160837H K/3/4 CALLED ARTY AND AIR ON VC. 25 VC KIA, 1 VCC. *DONG HA*
- > 12. 161320H TF DELTA ASSUMED OPCON OF 1/1 WHICH ARRIVED AT DONG HA AT 161600H. *038653*
- > 13. 161900H ARTY MISSION RESULTED IN 28 KIA (BC). *039652*
- > 14. 162050H 2/4 LINKED UP WITH 3/4.

TOTAL CASUALTIES AS OF 16 JULY.

USMC

ARVN

VC

32 KIA
52 WIA

0 KIA
6 WIA

93 KIA
1 WIA

003520
15. AT 170925H, 2/1 WAS HELILIFTED TO LZ IN SW CORNER OF OPERATING AREA. NEGATIVE CONTACT.

020600
16. AT 171138H, FOUR B-52 EXECUTED ARC LIGHT STRIKE.

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> 17. SLF CHOPPED OPCON III MAF AT 180048H. TF DELTA ASSUMED OPCON 3/5 AT 180700H. AT 181229H, BLT 3/5 COMMENCED HELIBORNE ASSAULT IN THE AREA TO EXPLOIT THE B-52 STRIKE OF 17 JULY.

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> 18. UPON ENTERING THE LANDING ZONE, M/3/5 RECEIVED HEAVY FIRE FROM AN ESTIMATED VC COMPANY. ARMED UH-1E HELOS AND FIXED WING ACFT SUPPORTED M/3/5 AS THEY ADVANCED WITH SMALL ARMS AND MACHINE GUN FIRE. THE VC BROKE CONTACT TO THE NORTHEAST LEAVING 21 KIA BEHIND. USMC CASUALTIES FROM THIS ACTION WERE 5 KIA AND 5 WIA.

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> 19. AT 181615H, K/3/4 MOVING IN COLUMN RECEIVED MORTAR FIRE ON THE REAR OF THE COLUMN CUTTING THE COLUMN INTO SEVERAL GROUPS. FIXED WING STRIKE AIRCRAFT CONDUCTED NAPALM RUNS AND SILENCED THE ENEMY MORTARS. AT 181825H, CONTACT WAS LOST WITH THE FIRST PLATOON, INCLUDING SOME ENGINEERS AND AN NBC NEWS CREW. AT 182125H, CONTACT WAS REESTABLISHED WITH THE PLATOON AND THEY WERE REPORTED MOVING TOWARD THE BATTALION CP. INITIAL REPORTS STATE THAT PERSONNEL OF THE NBC NEWS TEAM WERE NOT INJURED. USMC CASUALTIES FROM THIS ACTION WERE REPORTED AS 14 KIA, 48 WIA AND 1 MIA.

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20. AT 181720H, 2/1 (ARVN) LOCATED ABOUT FOUR MILES NORTHEAST OF CAM LO WAS REPORTED SURROUNDED BY AN ESTIMATED VC BATTALION. THE 1/1 (ARVN) REINFORCED BY THE BLACK PANTHER COMPANY AND TANKS MOVED TO ASSIST 2/1 (ARVN). AT 181945H, CONTACT WITH THE UNIT WAS REPORTED AND TASK FORCE DELTA ARTILLERY SUPPORT CEASED AT 182000H.

NO SIGNIFICANT ENEMY CONTACT WAS REPORTED IN USMC ZONE AFTER 182130H OR IN THE ARVN ZONE AFTER 182400H.

CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES ARE:

USMC

48 KIA
117 WIA
1 MIA

ARVN

14 KIA
16 WIA

VC

204 KIA
4 VCC
62 IND WPNS
8 CREW SERVED WPNS

DECK HOUSE II

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- 5 ²⁹⁵⁶⁸² AT 161500H, CO M LANDED BY HELO IN LANDING ZONE VIC OBJECTIVE D, SWEEPED SOUTHWEST.
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USMC

VC

NONE

3 KIA

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SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

1. 1 JULY BALLIER PICKED UP. CLAIMED TO BE FROM ADVANCE PARTY OF 324 DIV.
2. 5 JULY 2ND ARVN REGT CAPTURED WOUNDED PRISONER AFTER FIRE FIGHT. CAPTIVE STATED HE WAS FROM 812TH REGT.
3. 7 JULY 2/1(-) COMMENCED RECON OPERATIONS IN HASTINGS AREA.
4. 8 JULY AT 081830H, 1 CH-46 SHOT DOWN BY INTENSE GROUND FIRE 8 MILES SW OF CAM LO.
5. 9 JULY RECON ELEMENTS REPORTED LIGHT CONTACT THROUGHOUT AREA. RECON UNIT AMBUSH VC COLUMN.
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8. 10 JULY ARVN 2ND ABN BN HEAVILY ENGAGED AND WITHDRAWN.
9. 10 JULY RECON TEAM IN HASTINGS ENCOUNTER 2 VC CO'S. TEAM RETRACTED.
10. 13 JULY B-52 STRIKES CONDUCTED ON 3 TARGETS 130800H. TWO MORE STRIKES SCHEDULED.

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III MAF OPLAN 113-66

MISSION: III MAF deploys Div to Phu Bai and Dong Ha areas to conduct offensive opns.

FORCES DEPLOYED:

To Quang Tri and Thua Thien Province

1st MarDiv HQ(-) Reinf (-Alt Cmd Grp)
4th Mar (already at Phu Bai)
Additional HMM Sqdn(Reinf)to Phu Bai
VMO Sqdn to Phu Bai
One Regt (Reinf) from 1stDiv at Chu Lai
One Regt (Reinf) from 3rdDiv at DANANG
SLF

To DANANG

1st Bde, 101st Abn Div (Opcon 3rdMarDiv)

To Chu Lai

ROK Marine Brig(Operational Coordination with TF Echo[1stMarDiv
AltCmdGrp])

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VC

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3 KIA

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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C/S _____
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TO : Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps DATE: 5 August 1966

FROM : Director, Marine Corps Command Center

SUBJECT: Substantiation of statements that "NVA threw down their arms and ran"

Ref: (a) ACMC request at 5 August Intelligence Briefing

1. In his weekly telegram to the President (Secret NoDis 2481, 3 August), Ambassador LODGE stated:

"During last week's fighting near the DMZ, General WESTMORELAND reports that on three separate occasions troops of the North Vietnamese Division threw down their arms and ran. He says that this is the first time on record that this kind of behavior had occurred."

2. In a WESTMORELAND-SHARP/WHEELER personal, which the Command Center has not seen, apparently, a similar statement is made.

3. In a telecon with CMC on 25 July 1966, General KRULAK stated, inter alia:

"Yesterday, air detected a sizeable force moving south. ...They were attacked by air and fled. They never came into contact with our people..."

"The weapons which we have captured are in most cases new and in excellent condition but it is interesting to note how often the NVN troops will not fight. They usually turn around and scamper away."

4. The following are pertinent extracts relating to this subject from FMFPac SITREPS:

a. FMFPac WestPac SITREP of 17 July 1966:

"...In fierce fighting that lasted two hours and forty-five minutes, the Marines, supported by artillery fire, repulsed the VC and the enemy fled, leaving behind thirty-five dead."

b. FMF WestPac SITREP of 22 July 1966:

"...One hundred and twenty-nine enemy weapons have been taken. The relative lack of concern for their weapons by the enemy in Hastings undoubtedly stems

from their proximity to sources of additional supply in the DMZ and Laos. Additionally this presents a striking contrast to the VC guerillas of the lowlands who take extraordinary measures to seize or protect their hard-to-get weapons..."

"At 1040 a platoon patrol from the 2nd Battalion, 1st Marines, encountered approximately sixty-three enemy. The NVA unit broke contact after a brief fire fight and fled with unknown casualties..."

5. Except for the above references to the "enemy fleeing" (in one case after almost a three hour fire fight), an examination of the SITREPS does not reveal three separate occasions when the enemy "threw down his arms and fled".

6. In fact, the following indicate otherwise:

a. FMFPac WestPac SITREP of 23 July 1966:

"...Later Company "M" was taken under fire by automatic weapons and grenades from an estimated forty NVA. Many of the enemy were bandaged from previous wounds. An ARVN interpreter asked them to surrender. But the enemy refused and Company "M" overran their position, killing seventeen and seizing one MG, six semi-automatic weapons and numerous grenades..."

b. The 3/4 engagement on 18 July and the 3/5 engagement on 24-25 July, when both Battalions took considerable casualties, indicate an enemy determination to fight.

c. In a preliminary analysis of Operation Hastings contained in the FMF WestPac SITREP of 3 August, no mention is made of the enemy tendency "to throw down their arms and flee". The analysis does state that the enemy "were well dug-in with extensive, improved defensive positions"...

7. On the basis of the above, as well as ^{the} number of USMC casualties, the number of instances where small enemy units engaged Marines and inflicted casualties, and the number of instances where the enemy stayed in position until assaulted by Marines, I believe it is a rather tenuous conclusion that the enemy did not appear to be willing to fight.

8. Nevertheless, we have gone to FMFPac and inquired if they can pin-point three separate instances where the enemy "threw down his arms and fled".

Very respectfully,

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Memorandum

TO : Commandant of the Marine Corps

DATE: 7 August 1966

FROM : Director, Marine Corps Command Center

SUBJECT: Casualty figures for 3/5

1. The following analysis was conducted in an attempt to establish casualty figures for the action of 3/5 on 24 July involving I, K and M Companies. The results indicate the following:

a. Casualty figures for the 24th as reported in CTG 76.5 SITREP #24 are 28 KIA and 76 WIA and apparently include the 6 KIA and 21 WIA initially reported as a result of I, K and M action. Since that report and without any report of additional major contacts, 3/5 casualty figures have been adjusted to 53 KIA, 163 WIA. (CTG SITREP #36 final).

b. The inference drawn from the analysis is that 3/5 incurred considerably more casualties than the initial 6 KIA and 21 WIA reported. An exact figure from that particular action is not available, since we do not know what additional contacts have been made, particularly on the small unit level. One contact made by L Company on the 25th produced 4 NVA KIA but there was no report of friendly casualties.

c. An estimate of the total casualties incurred in the action of the 24th would be from 25-31 KIA, and from 75-100 WIA.

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BLT 3/5 PARTICIPATION IN OPERATION HASTINGS

AT 181229H, AFTER PARTICIPATING IN DECK HOUSE II SINCE 16 JULY WITHOUT SIGNIFICANT CONTACT, BLT 3/5 COMMENCED HELIBORNE ASSAULT LANDINGS IN THE HASTINGS AREA TO EXPLOIT THE FOUR PLANE ARC LIGHT STRIKE WHICH WAS CONDUCTED ON THE 17TH.

UPON ENTERING THE LANDING ZONE, COMPANY "A" RECEIVED HEAVY AUTOMATIC AND SEMI-AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE FROM AN ESTIMATED VC/NVA COMPANY. ARMED UH-1E'S AND FIXED WING AIRCRAFT SUPPORTED M/3/5 AS THEY ADVANCED WITH SMALL ARMS AND MACHINE GUN FIRE. THE ENEMY BROKE CONTACT TO THE NORTHEAST LEAVING BEHIND 21 VC/NVA KIA AND 85 KIA(POSS). FIVE MARINES WERE KILLED AND FIVE WOUNDED.

AT 181730H, L/3/5 MADE CONTACT WITH 20 VC/NVA IN KHAKI UNIFORMS. DURING THE ENSUING ACTION TWO VC/NVA WERE KIA AND FIVE POSSIBLY KIA.

ON 19 JULY, 3/5 EXPERIENCED LIGHT CONTACT WITH THE VC/NVA. COMPANY L/3/5 RECEIVED AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE FROM A VC/NVA PLATOON. THE COMPANY RETURNED THE FIRE AND ASSAULTED THE ENEMY POSITION RESULTING IN FOUR VC/NVA KIA, TWO WIA, AND SEVERAL WEAPONS AND A QUANTITY OF 782 GEAR CAPTURED. ALSO ON THIS DATE, K/3/5 FOUND ONE VC/NVA KIA, AND FOUND ONE RIFLE, NINE GRENADES, NINE UNIFORMS AND A LARGE CACHE OF PACKS, EQUIPMENT, SUPPLIES, RICE AND AMMUNITION.

20 AND 21 JULY, 3/5 CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS EXPERIENCING CONTACTS WITH SMALL GROUPS OF 4 TO 15 VC/NVA AND DISCOVERING ENEMY EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES.

L/3/5 MADE INTERMITTENT CONTACT WITH 65 VC/NVA FROM 221230H UNTIL 222330H. RESULTS OF THE CONTACTS WERE: USMC 11 KIA; VC/NVA 23 KIA. AT 221525H, M/3/5 WAS TAKEN UNDER FIRE BY AUTOMATIC WEAPONS AND GRENADES FROM 40 VC/NVA, MANY OF WHOM WERE BANDAGED FROM PREVIOUS WOUNDS, AND SOME HAD NO WEAPONS. ARVN INTERPRETER ASKED THE NVA TO SURRENDER BUT THEY REFUSED. M/3/5 OVERRAN POSITION RESULTING IN 17 VC/NVA KIA.

CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES FROM 3/5 PARTICIPATION IN OPERATION HASTINGS AS OF 23 JULY WERE REPORTED AS:

USMC

22 KIA
55 WIA

VC/NVA

63 KIA, 31 KIA(PROB)
6 WIA, 15 WIA(PROB)
3 CAPTURED

AT 241230H, I/3/5 RECEIVED ENEMY SMALL ARMS AND MORTAR FIRE FROM AN ESTIMATED 100 NVA, SEVEN MILES WEST OF CAM LO. K/3/5 MOVED TO THE AREA TO ASSIST AND AT 1730H BECAME ENGAGED WITH THE ENEMY UNIT. MEANWHILE, M/3/5 WAS ENGAGED WITH AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF NVA IN THE VALLEY AREA APPROXIMATELY 1500 METERS TO THE SOUTHWEST. BY 1900H, ENEMY FIRE HAD BEEN NEUTRALIZED AND THE NVA UNIT BROKE CONTACT

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D WITHDREW WITH UNKNOWN CASUALTIES. USMC CASUALTIES FROM THIS ACTION WERE INITIALLY REPORTED AS: 6 KIA AND 21 WIA.

CTG 76.5 SITREPS FOR 3/5 PARTICIPATION IN HASTINGS AFTER THE ABOVE ACTION INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING CASUALTIES:

SITREP #24 AS OF 242200H:

USMC

28 KIA
76 WIA

VC/NVA

119 KIA, 36 KIA(PROB)
6 WIA, 15 WIA(PROB)
5 CAPTURED

SITREP #25 AS OF 251000H:

USMC

31 KIA
82 WIA

VC/NVA

123 KIA, 36 KIA(PROB)
6 WIA, 15 WIA(PROB)
5 CAPTURED

SITREP #26 AS OF 252200H:

*USMC

38 KIA
83 WIA

VC/NVA

123 KIA, 36 KIA(PROB)
6 WIA, 15 WIA(PROB)
5 CAPTURED

AT 251630H, L/3/5 ENGAGED 20 NVA, FIRED SMALL ARMS RESULTING IN 4 NVA KIA AND 10 NVA KIA(PROB). ON 25 JULY, "I" AND "K" COMPANIES OF 3/5 SEARCHED THE AREA OF THEIR CONTACT WHICH OCCURRED ON 24 JUL FINDING 17 NVA KIA, 66 KIA(PROB), AND NUMEROUS WEAPONS AND A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF OTHER EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES.

CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES FROM 3/5 PARTICIPATION IN OPERATION HASTINGS THROUGH 25 JULY ARE: *

USMC

42 KIA
35 WIA

VC/NVA

128 KIA, 46 KIA(PROB)
6 WIA, 15 WIA(PROB)
5 CAPTURED

*IN REVIEWING CTG SITREPS, IT APPEARS THAT THE VC/NVA CASUALTIES FOUND BY "I" AND "K" COMPANIES ON 25 JULY HAD NOT BEEN INCLUDED IN THE ABOVE RESULTS FOR 3/5.

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SITREPS RECEIVED BY THE MCCC DO NOT INDICATE THAT 3/5 HAS HAD ANY MAJOR ENGAGEMENTS SINCE THEIR LAST CONTACT ON 25 JULY.

THE FOLLOWING CTG 76.5 SITREPS SHOW HOW THE CASUALTIES HAVE BEEN ADJUSTED SINCE 25 JULY:

SITREP #28 AS OF 262000H:

NO CASUALTIES DURING LAST 12 HOUR PERIOD. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

USMC

51 KIA
106 WIA

VC/NVA

128 KIA, 46 KIA(PROB)
6 WIA, 15 WIA(PROB)
5 CAPTURED

SITREP #29 AS OF 271000H:

NO ADJUSTMENT MADE IN CASUALTIES DURING THIS PERIOD.

SITREP #30 AS OF 272000H:

NO CASUALTIES DURING LAST 12 HOUR PERIOD. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

USMC

51 KIA
95 WIA

VC/NVA

NO CHANGE

SITREP #31 AS OF 281000H:

MCCC, FLAG PLOT, AND FMFPAC DO NOT HOLD.

SITREP #32 AS OF 282200H:

NO CASUALTIES DURING LAST 12 HOUR PERIOD. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

USMC

51 KIA
153 WIA

VC/NVA

NO CHANGE

SITREP #33 AS OF 291000H:

NO CONTACT REPORTED. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

USMC

52 KIA
155 WIA

VC/NVA

152 KIA, 164 KIA(PROB)
6 WIA(PROB)
5 CAPTURED

SITREP #34 AS OF 292200H:

"M" CO PATROL LOCATED 25-30 NVA. ARTY MISSION. EST 15 KIA(PROB). NO FRIENDLY CAS REPORTED. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

USMC

53 KIA
159 WIA

VC/NVA

152 KIA, 179 KIA(PROB)
6 WIA(PROB)
5 CAPTURED

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SITREP #35 AS OF 301000H:
NO ADJUSTMENTS MADE IN CASUALTIES DURING THIS PERIOD.

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BACKGROUND

FOR SOME TIME NOW MACV HAS BEEN CONCERNED ABOUT THE TWO NORTHERN PROVINCES OF I CORPS - QUANG TRI AND THUA THIEN. MACV'S PERSONAL FEELING HAS BEEN THAT THE VIET CONG MAY ATTEMPT TO SEIZE THESE NORTHERN TWO PROVINCES AND SET UP A VIET CONG GOVERNMENT SO THAT IN THE EVENT NEGOTIATIONS MATERIALIZE THIS GOVERNMENT COULD SIT AS A DE FACTO GOVERNMENT OF A PART OF SOUTH VIET NAM. HE FEELS THAT THE SHORT LACK OF COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN NORTH VIET NAM AND THESE TWO PROVINCES ENHANCES THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH A MOVE ON THE PART OF THE VIET CONG.

BASED ON THE ABOVE AND THE INTELLIGENCE INPUTS DETAILED BELOW III MAF LAUNCHED A 1 BN OPERATION "HASTINGS".

SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- | MAP POINT | |
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| 1. 11 MAY | RALLIER PICKED UP. CLAIMED TO BE FROM ADVANCE PARTY OF 324 DIV. |
| 2. 5 JULY | 2ND ARVN REGT CAPTURED WOUNDED PRISONER AFTER FIRE FIGHT. CAPTIVE STATED HE WAS FROM 812TH REGT. |
| 3. 7 JULY | 2/1(-) COMMENCED RECON OPERATIONS IN HASTINGS AREA. |
| 4. 8 JULY | AT 081830H, 1 CH-46 SHOT DOWN BY INTENSE GROUND FIRE 8 MILES SW OF CAM LO. |
| 5. 7-9 JULY | RECON ELEMENTS REPORTED LIGHT CONTACT THROUGHOUT AREA. RECON UNIT AMBUSH VC COLUMN. |
| 6. 8 JULY | OPERATION LAM SON 288 BEGAN. ON 9 JULY AN NVA DEFECTOR WHO CLAIMED TO BE A LT FROM 3RD BN, 812TH REGT WAS PICKED UP. |
| 7. 9 JULY | ARVN 2ND ABN BN RECEIVED 200 ROUNDS MORTAR FIRE. |
| 8. 10 JULY | ARVN 2ND ABN BN HEAVILY ENGAGED AND WITHDRAWN. |
| 9. 10 JULY | RECON TEAM IN HASTINGS ENCOUNTER 2 ENEMY CO'S. TEAM RETRACTED. |
| | BECAUSE OF THE SCOPE AND AMOUNT OF CONTACT IT WAS DECIDED TO EXPAND THE OPERATION |

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INTO A COORDINATED USMC/ARVN MULTI-BN OPERATION. (SEE NEXT 1:250,000 MAP). THE AREA WAS DIVIDED INTO SECTIONS WITH THE 1ST AND 2ND BN OF THE 1ST ARVN REGT CONDUCTING OPERATIONS IN AREA A, TASK FORCE DELTA WITH 3 USMC BN'S IN AREA B, AN ARVN TASK FORCE WITH THE 2ND, 6TH, AND 8TH AIRBORNE BN'S IN AREA C, AND THE SLF CONDUCTING A LANDING IN THE AOA. (SEE 1ST 1:50,000 MAP FOR 15-16 JULY).

SEQUENCE

1. 150500H QUICK PUNCH 1,3,4, ARC LIGHT B-52 STRIKES EXECUTED.
2. 150800H LEADING ELEMENTS (3/4) TF DELTA COMMENCED LANDING BY HELICOPTER IN LZ. 3 CHOPPERS LOST IN LZ DUE TO HITTING BAMBOO AND OVER-FLYING LZ. NO CONTACT REPORTED.
3. 150810H A CH-46 ON TROOP LIFT RECEIVED FIRE ON ENTERING HLZ WITH SLIGHT DAMAGE TO HELO AND ONE KIA.
4. 150935H 2/4 COMMENCED LANDING IN LZ. MOVED OUT IN EXTREMELY HEAVY VEGETATION TOWARD 3/4. NO CONTACT.

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5. 151020H 3/4 COMPLETED LIFT. ESTABLISHED BLOCKING POSITIONS. K/3/4 DISCOVERED 57 CASES 7.62 AMMO AND 183 ROUNDS 81 AMMO. 3/4 RECEIVED FIRE FROM EAST AND NORTHWEST. SUPPORTING ARMS CALLED IN. UNKNOWN RESULTS. CH-46 WITH 12 TROOPS HIT BY ESTIMATED 12.7MM 13 MILES NW OF DONG HA (YD 039649). CASUALTIES 13 KIA.
6. 151025H 1/3 MARINES ENTERED OPERATION AND CAME UNDER OPCON OF TASK FORCE DELTA AND CLOSED DONG HA AT 151455H.
7. 151215H K/3/4 CONTACTED 15 VC. 2 USMC KIA, 2 WIA; 2 VC KIA.
8. 151810H TWO COMPANIES OF 3/4 RECEIVED HEAVY SMALL ARMS FIRE WHILE SEARCHING FOR SURVIVORS FROM DOWNED CHOPPER. SMALL ARMS AND SUPPORTING ARMS UTILIZED. FIRE FIGHT LASTED UNTIL 2030H.
9. 151930H 1/3 ENCOUNTERED VC, KILLING 5 WITH 2 USMC WIA.

TOTAL CASUALTIES AS OF 15 JULY:

<u>USMC</u>	<u>VC</u>
19 KIA	30 KIA
20 WIA	23 KIA(PRCB)

10. 151745H F4B FROM VMFA-323 BURST INTO FLAMES AFTER PULLING UP FROM NAPALM RUN WHILE ON COVER MISSION 17 MILES SW OF DONG HA (YD 010360). BOTH PILOTS RECOVERED.
11. 160837H K/3/4 CALLED ARTY AND AIR ON VC. 25 VC KIA, 1 VCC.
12. 161320H TF DELTA ASSUMED OPCON OF 1/1 WHICH ARRIVED AT DONG HA AT 161600H.
13. 161900H ARTY MISSION RESULTED IN 28 KIA(BC).
14. 162053H 2/4 LINKED UP WITH 3/4.

TOTAL CASUALTIES AS OF 16 JULY.

<u>USMC</u>	<u>ARVN</u>	<u>VC</u>
32 KIA	3 KIA	93 KIA
52 WIA	6 WIA	1 VCC

15. AT 170925H, 2/1 WAS HELILIFTED TO LZ IN SW CORNER OF OPERATING AREA. NEGATIVE CONTACT.

16. AT 171138H, FOUR B-52 EXECUTED ARC LIGHT STRIKE.

17. SLF CHOPPED OPCON III MAF AT 180048H. TF DELTA ASSUMED OPCON 3/5 AT 180700H. AT 181229H, BLT 3/5 COMMENCED HELIBORNE ASSAULT IN THE AREA TO EXPLOIT THE B-52 STRIKE OF 17 JULY.

18. UPON ENTERING THE LANDING ZONE, M/3/5 RECEIVED HEAVY FIRE FROM AN ESTIMATED VC COMPANY. ARMED UH-1E HELOS AND FIXED WING ACFT SUPPORTED M/3/5 AS THEY ADVANCED WITH SMALL ARMS AND MACHINE GUN FIRE. THE VC BROKE CONTACT TO THE NORTHEAST LEAVING 21 KIA BEHIND. USMC CASUALTIES FROM THIS ACTION WERE 5 KIA AND 5 WIA.

19. AT 181615H, K/3/4 MOVING IN COLUMN RECEIVED MORTAR FIRE ON THE REAR OF THE COLUMN CUTTING THE COLUMN INTO SEVERAL GROUPS. FIXED WING STRIKE AIRCRAFT CONDUCTED NAPALM RUNS AND SILENCED THE ENEMY MORTARS. AT 181825H, CONTACT WAS LOST WITH THE FIRST PLATOON, INCLUDING SOME ENGINEERS AND AN NBC NEWS CREW. AT 182125H, CONTACT WAS REESTABLISHED WITH THE PLATOON AND THEY WERE REPORTED MOVING TOWARD THE BATTALION CP. INITIAL REPORTS STATE THAT PERSONNEL OF THE NBC NEWS TEAM WERE NOT INJURED. USMC CASUALTIES FROM THIS ACTION WERE REPORTED AS 14 KIA, 48 WIA AND 1 MIA.

see next page for a detailed account

20. AT 181720H, 2/1 (ARVN) LOCATED ABOUT FOUR MILES NORTHEAST OF CAM LO WAS REPORTED SURROUNDED BY AN ESTIMATED VC BATTALION. THE 1/1 (ARVN) REINFORCED BY THE BLACK PANTHER COMPANY AND TANKS MOVED TO ASSIST 2/1 (ARVN). AT 181945H, CONTACT WITH THE UNIT WAS REPORTED AND TASK FORCE DELTA ARTILLERY SUPPORT CEASED AT 182000H.

NO SIGNIFICANT ENEMY CONTACT WAS REPORTED IN USMC ZONE AFTER 182130H OR IN THE ARVN ZONE AFTER 182400H.

CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES ARE:

<u>USMC</u>	<u>ARVN</u>	<u>VC</u>
48 KIA	14 KIA	204 KIA
117 WIA	16 WIA	4 VCC
1 MIA		62 IND WPNS
		8 CREW SERVED WPNS

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AT APPROXIMATELY 181400H, 3/4 BEGAN MOVING OUT OF ITS COMMAND POST. THE BN, CONSISTING OF THREE COMPANIES, I, K, AND L, MOVED OUT IN A COLUMN TO THE NE. TWO PLATOONS OF CO "K" PROVIDED REAR SECURITY FOR THE COLUMN. AS THE COLUMN MOVED OUT, TWO PLTS WERE IN PSN ON THE HIGH GROUND. AS THE REMAINDER OF THE COLUMN CLEARED THE CP, THE PLT ON THE FIRST PSN BEGAN TO WITHDRAW UNDER THE COVER OF THE PLT IN THE SECOND PSN. LEFT AT THE CP AT THIS TIME WERE THE TWO PLATOONS, AND HEADQUARTERS OF K CO WITH ENGR DETACHMENT. AS THE LAST ELEMENTS MOVED OUT THE PLAN WAS TO DESTROY THE THREE CH-46 HELICOPTERS THAT HAD CRASHED AT THE PSN ON 15 JULY DURING A HELILIFT. AT APPROX 181500H AN ESTIMATED 20 RDS OF 82MM MORTAR FIRE WAS RECEIVED ALONG THE COLUMN AND AT THE CP AREA. AS IT MOVED AWAY FROM THE CP, THE BN COLUMN BECAME SEPARATED IN SEVERAL PLACES AND SEPARATED FROM THE TWO PLTS IN THE CP.

THE MORTAR FIRE WAS RECEIVED AN ESTIMATED 1000 VC ASSAULTED THE BN CP AND CLOSED WITH AND CLASHED WITH THE 2 PLTS OF CO K. TOTAL STRENGTH OF THE 2 PLTS OF CO K WAS APPROXIMATELY 65 MARINES INCLUDING THE CO COMMANDER. THE VC ASSAULTED THE CP PSNS FROM 4 SEPARATE AVENUES OF APPROACH. THEY WERE ALL DRESSED IN GREEN KHAKI UNIFORMS AND WORE STEEL HELMET LINERS. ALL VC WORE TENNIS SHOES. THE VC WERE CONTROLLED BY HAND AND ARM SIGNALS AND BUGLES. THE VC STRENGTH IS ESTIMATED TO BE APPROX 1000 MEN, SIX MORTARS. THE REST SET UP BY THE VC IN THE SAME MORTAR POSITIONS USED BY MARINES. HEAVY FIGHTING AT CLOSE RANGE TOOK PLACE BETWEEN THE VC AND THE 2 PLTS OF CO K. ONE OF THE TWO PLTS OF CO K OCCUPIED A PSN ON THE HIGH GROUND OVERLOOKING THE CP SITE. MARINES RETURNED FIRE WITH SMALL ARMS AND M-79 FIRE AND GRENADES. AFTER THE ATTACK BEGAN COMPANY L WITH THE BN EXECUTIVE OFFICER BEGAN MOVING BACK TO THE CP SITE TO REINFORCE THE TWO PLATOONS OF K CO. MOVEMENT WAS DIFFICULT AND THE COLUMN WAS RECEIVING SMALL ARMS FIRE. THE BN COMMANDER IN THE MEANTIME WAS DIRECTING ARTY FIRE AND AIRSTRIKES ON THE VC. THE TWO PLATOONS OF CO K FOUGHT THEIR WAY OUT OF THE CP WHILE ARTY AND AIRSTRIKES WERE BEING CONDUCTED ON THE VC POSITIONS. THE COMPANY COMMANDER OF K COMPANY AND OTHERS IN THE CP REPORT THAT ARTILLERY AND AIR STRIKES WERE EXTREMELY EFFECTIVE AND INFLECTED HEAVY CASUALTIES ON THE VC WHO HAD BECOME BUNCHED UP IN LARGE GROUPS AROUND THE DOWNED HELICOPTERS AND MORTAR POSITIONS. NAPALM WAS PARTICULARLY EFFECTIVE AGAINST THE VC AS THE TWO PLATOONS OF CO K MOVED AWAY FROM CP SITE. APPROXIMATELY 20 MINUTES AFTER THE INITIAL ATTACK, THEY WERE NOT PHYSICALLY PURSUED DUE TO THE VC HEAVY CASUALTIES. THE MARINES WERE PURSUED BY FIRE, HOWEVER, THE TWO PLATOONS OF CO K MET CO L WHO HAD COME IN TO REINFORCE THEM. SPORADIC SMALL ARMS FIRE WAS RECEIVED UNTIL APPROXIMATELY 181800H. NO MORTAR FIRE WAS RECEIVED AFTER THE INITIAL 20 RDS THAT SEPARATED THE COLUMN FROM THE TWO PLTS OF CO K. FOURTEEN MARINES WERE LISTED AS KIA, BODIES NOT RECOVERED. ONE MARINE LISTED AS MIA AND ANOTHER 48 ARE REPORTED WIA. ENEMY PERS LOSSES ARE ESTIMATED TO BE 500 KIA. THIS ESTIMATE IS FURNISHED BY THE BN EXECUTIVE OFFICER, THE CO OF CO K, A PLATOON COMMANDER AND OTHER MARINES, AND PRESS CORRESPONDENTS WHO WERE IN THE CP DURING THE ATTACKS: RESULTS OF THIS ACTION: VC 138 KIA(CONF); 362 KIA(PROB)

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K/3/4 ATTACK DETAILS

OPERATION HASTINGS (CONTINUED)

THE OPERATION CONTINUED ON THE 21ST WITH LIGHT CONTACT.

1. AT 210230H, "M" BTRY 4/12 (155 HOW) RECEIVED A GROUND ATTACK BY UNKNOWN NUMBER OF NVA/VC ON THEIR POSITION RESULTING IN 7 USMC WIA AND 3 155'S DAMAGED. 1 NVA/VC WAS KILLED.
2. AT 211200H, 3/4 REVERTED TO TF DELTA RESERVE AND 1/3 WAS HELILIFTED INTO THE AREA TO ASSUME 3/4 MISSION.

DURING THE DAY, ELEMENTS OF TF DELTA LOCATED 77 NVA/VC BODIES, SOME IN SHALLOW GRAVES, FOUND A CONSIDERABLE QUANTITY OF WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT, INCLUDING TNT, ROCKET LAUNCHERS, GRENADES, INDIVIDUAL WEAPONS AND HAD SEVERAL LIGHT CONTACT'S.

1ST MARINES COMMAND GROUP COMMITTED TO TF DELTA. LOCATED AT DONG HA.

3. AT 212100H, 2/1 MADE CONTACT WITH LARGE NUMBER OF NVA/VC APPARENTLY ATTEMPTING TO EXFILTRATE TO THE WEST. NO RESULTS OF THIS ACTION ARE AVAILABLE.
4. AT 221040H, A PLATOON PATROL FROM 2/1 ENCOUNTERED APPROXIMATELY 63 NVA/VC. THE ENEMY BROKE CONTACT AFTER A BRIEF FIRE FIGHT AND FLED WITH UNKNOWN CASUALTIES. USMC SUFFERED 2 WIA.
5. FROM 221230H UNTIL 222330H, L AND M COMPANIES OF 3/5 MADE INTERMITTENT CONTACT WITH 65 NVA/VC. CASUALTIES DURING THIS ACTION WERE: USMC 11 KIA, 20 WIA; NVA/VC 23 KIA.
6. AT 221445H, COMPANIES E, G, AND H OF 2/4 MADE SEVERAL CONTACTS WITH THE ENEMY. RESULT: USMC 3 KIA, 1 WIA; NVA/VC 4 KIA.
7. FROM 230920H TO 1300H, C/1/1 BECAME HEAVILY ENGAGED WITH AN ESTIMATED 50 NVA. D/1/1 REINFORCED C/1/1 AND TOGETHER WITH MORTAR AND AIR STRIKES, ROUTED THE ENEMY UNIT. RESULTS: USMC 4 KIA, 18 WIA; NVA/VC 14 KIA, 2 CAPTURED, AND NUMEROUS RIFLES, AMMO AND OTHER MISC ITEMS CAPTURED.
8. AT 231200H, M/3/5 SEARCHING FOR THE REPORTED CP OF THE 803D NVA REGT, FOUND 250 FRESHLY DUG FIGHTING HOLES AND BUNKERS. AT 1525H, THE COMPANY WAS TAKEN UNDER FIRE BY AUTOMATIC WEAPONS AND GRENADES FROM AN ESTIMATED 40 NVA, SOME OF WHICH WERE BANDAGED FROM PREVIOUS WOUNDS AND SOME HAD NO WEAPONS. THE NVA REFUSED TO SURRENDER AND THE MARINES OVERRAN THEIR POSITION. ACTION RESULTED IN 17 NVA KIA AND NUMEROUS

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WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT CAPTURED.

9. *Dot* AT 231555H, I/3/5 FOUND LARGE CACHE OF EQUIPMENT INCLUDING TWO MACHINE GUNS, 14 GAS MASKS, 25 UNIFORMS, SEVEN SMALL MORTARS OR RECOILLESS RIFLES, MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND DOCUMENTS.
10. FROM 232345H TO 241015H, 2/1 RECEIVED MORTAR AND SA FIRE FROM A NVA PLATOON. RETURNED SA/AW FIRE PURSUING THE ACTION TO THE NORTH WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.
- >11. AT 241240H, I/3/5 ENGAGED 100 NVA. K/3/5 MOVED TO ASSIST AND BECAME ENGAGED WITH THE NVA UNIT AT 241730H. M/3/5 ENGAGED THE ENEMY APPROXIMATELY 1000 METERS TO THE SOUTHWEST. AT 241900H, ENEMY FIRE WAS NEUTRALIZED AND THE NVA BROKE CONTACT. CASUALTIES FOR THIS ACTION: USMC 6 KIA, 21 WIA (ALL EVACUATED); NVA CASUALTIES UNKNOWN.
- ~~12. AT 241848H, 3/5 REPORTED ONE UH 34 HELICOPTER DOWN DUE TO ENEMY FIRE.~~
13. AT 241930H, 2/4 CP AND COMPANIES "E" AND "H" RECEIVED 25 ROUNDS 81MM. AT THE SAME TIME ANOTHER COMPANY RECEIVED 25 RDS 60MM. SMALL ARMS/60MM/80MM AND ARTY WAS RETURNED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. USMC SUFFERED 1 KIA AND 60 WIA.
On the 25th Contact became very light and consisted mainly of mortar attack
14. AT 250318H, AN ARTY MISSION IN SUPPORT OF 1/1 CAUSED LARGE FIRE AND LARGE SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS, FOLLOWED BY FOUR SEPARATE AND SMALLER EXPLOSIONS.
15. AT 250950H, A CH-34 LANDING IN LANDING ZONE HIT A TREE WITH ROTOR, FLIPPED OVER AND CRASHED RESULTING IN ONE USMC KIA AND ONE WIA.
16. AT 251030H, AIR STRIKE UNCOVERED NUMEROUS BUNKERS AND TRENCHES. FIVE ENEMY KILLED BY AIR.
17. AT 251425H, B/1/1 RECEIVED 81MM MORTAR ROUNDS. CALLED IN 81MM MORTAR AND ARTILLERY MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.
18. AT 251512H, C/2/4 RECEIVED 22 ROUNDS 81MM MORTAR, CALLED IN 81MM AND ARTILLERY MISSION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.
19. *DEM II* AT 252237H, "I" AND "K" COMPANIES OF 3/5 SEARCHED AREAS OF CONTACTS ON 24 JUL. THEY FOUND 17 NVA KIA(CONF), 66 KIA(PROB), NUMEROUS WEAPONS AND CONSIDERABLE EQUIPMENT.

CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES

USMC
116 KIA
448 WIA

ARVN
21 KIA
26 WIA

ENEMY
736 KIA 600 KIA(PROB)
11 CAPTURED
216 WPNS

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OPERATION HASTINGS/LAM SON 288/289

INITIAL PHASE 7-14 JULY PECOM BY 2/1
8-19 JULY LAM SON 288

CASUALTIES

<u>USMC</u>	<u>VC</u>	<u>ARVN</u>	<u>VC BY ARVN</u>
1 KIA	13 KIA	20 KIA	4 KIA
7 WIA		18 WIA	
		3 MIA	

HASTINGS EXPANDED 15-24 JULY LAM SON 289

UNITS INVOLVED

TF DELTA

4TH MARINES

1/1	3/4
2/1	3/5
1/3	2/9
2/4	3/12

AREA B

ARVN

<u>ARVN TF</u>
2 ABN BN
6 ABN BN
8 ABN BN

AREA C

<u>ARVN TF</u>
1/1
2/1

AREA D

CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES

USMC

99 KIA
448 WIA

ARVN

21 KIA
26 WIA

VC

698 KIA*
12 CAPTURED
154 MPHS CAPTURED

*INCLUDES 23 KIA
BY ARVN (LATEST
FIGURE AVAILABLE TO
MCCC)

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22 JULY
CONTACT SCATTERED

221040H F/2/1: CONTACT WITH 63 VC. 221540H, NVA BROKE
CONTACT AND FLED. NO REPORT OF CASUALTIES.

MARINES CONTINUED TO DISCOVER ENEMY BODIES
IN SHALLOW GRAVES.

221230H L & M/3/5: INTERMITTENT CONTACT WITH 65 NVA.
USMC: 11 KIA, 20 WIA; NVA: 23 KIA

221330H A/1/1: FOUND BIVOUAC AREA WITH 3 FRESH GRAVES, GAS
MASKS, PONCHOS, ETC.

221445H 2/4: MADE SEVERAL CONTACTS WITH NVA. USMC: 3 KIA, 1 MIA
NVA: 4 KIA

23 JULY

GENERALLY SCATTERED, HOWEVER SEVERAL SIZEABLE ENCOUNTERS.

231200H M/3/5 SEARCHING FOR POSS CP OF 893 REGT. FOUND 250
FIGHTING HOLES AND UNKERS. 1500 TAKEN UNDER FIRE BY
40 NVA. SOME BANDAGED, WITHOUT WEAPONS REFUSED TO
SURRENDER. M CO OVERRAN POSITION. 17 NVA KIA.

230920-1300H C/1/1 HEAVILY ENGAGED WITH 90 NVA. D/1/1 REINFORCED.
14 NVA KIA, 4 USMC KIA, 18 MIA. RIFLES, AMMO CAPTURED.

231555H I/3/5 FOUND A RADIO, GAS MASKS, 7 MORTARS, MEDICAL
SUPPLIES AND DOCUMENTS.

232345H-241015H 2/1 ENGAGED NVA PLATOON WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.
CONTINUED ACTION TO NORTH. 4 NVA KIA

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241240H I/3/5 ENGAGED 100 VC. AT 241730H, K/3/5 WAS COMMITTED ALSO ENGAGED. N/3/5 ENGAGED APPROX 1000 METERS S.W. AT 241900, ENEMY FIRE WAS NEUTRALIZED. NVA BROKE CONTACT. CASUALTIES: USMC 6 KIA, 21 WIA. NVA UNKNOWN. ALL U.S. WOUNDED EVACUATED.

DURING DAY, 1/1 FOUND SEVERAL DEAD NVA.

241848H ONE UH-34 DOWN.

241930H 2/4 CP AND C CO HIT BY MORTAR FIRE. 1 KIA, 60 WIA.

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1. - - - - - MCCC RESUME OPERATION HASTINGS/LAMSON 289
 DATES: 7 JULY - 15 JULY RECON PHASE
 15 JULY - 3 AUG EXPANDED PHASE
 (SEE LEFT SIDE OF FOLDER)
2. MACVCC Msg 080409Z Jul 66, OPERATION HASTINGS
3. PAGE 4, (No Msg # Listed), OPERATION HASTINGS
4. MACVCC Msg 081054Z Jul 66, OPERATION HASTINGS
5. CG,1st MAW, Msg 081513Z Jul 66, Subj: LOSS OF CH-46 ACFT
6. MACVCC Msg 090530Z Jul 66, OPERATION HASTINGS
7. CG,FMFPAC Msg 090244Z Jul 66, FMFPAC WESTPAC SITREP # 466, period 7 Jul 66
8. ZSY-3 Msg 090111Z Jul 66, III MAF DAILY SITREP # 189-66, period
 072400H to 082400H Jul 66
9. CG,III MAF Msg 100111Z Jul 66, III MAF SITREP # 190-66, period 082400H to
 092400H Jul 66
10. MACVCC Msg 100411Z Jul 66, OPERATION HASTINGS
11. PAGE 3, (No Msg # Listed) OPERATION HASTINGS
12. CG,III MAF Msg 110111Z Jul 66, III MAF DAILY SITREP # 191-66, period
 092400H to 102400H Jul 66
13. COMUSMACV Msg 140528Z Jul 66, ARC LIGHT STRIKE REQUEST
14. III MAF COC Msg 140805Z Jul 66, OPERATION HASINGS SPOT REPORT
15. MCCC HQS,USMC Ltr DTG 141940Z Jul 66, OPERATION HASTINGS
16. MACVCC Msg 150430Z Jul 66, OPERATION HASTINGS
17. COMUSMACV Msg 151236Z Jul 66, OPERATION HASTINGS
18. CG,III MAF Msg 140840Z Jul 66, OPERATION HASTINGS -SPOT REPORT
19. MCCC, HQS, USMC, 15 Jul 66, Subj: Update on Hastings
20. MACVCC Msg 152209Z Jul 66, OPERATION HASTINGS
21. PAGE 3, Msg 160246Z Jul 66, OPERATION HASTINGS
22. MACVCC Msg 160300Z Jul 66, OPERATION HASTINGS
23. CG,III MAF Msg 160333Z Jul 66, III MAF DAILY HIST SUMMARY 196-66,
 Period 142400H to 152400H Jul 66

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24. MCCC, HQS, USMC Ltr 16 Jul 66,	Subj: OPN Macon and Hastings Casualties DTG 160745Z Jul 66
25. MCCC, HQS, USMC Ltr 16 Jul 66,	Subj: OPN Hastings/Deck House II Info DTG 160821Z Jul 66
26. MACVCC Msg 161216Z Jul 66,	OPERATION HASTINGS
27. MACVCC Msg 162344Z Jul 66,	OPERATION HASTINGS
28. PAGE 4, (No Msg # Listed)	OPERATION HASTINGS, period 170308Z Jul 66
29. MACVCC Msg 170507Z Jul 66,	OPERATION HASTINGS/LAMSON # 289 at 162000H
30. CG, III MAF Msg 170111Z Jul 66,	III MAF DAILY SITREP # 197, period 152400H to 162400H Jul 66
31. MACVCC Msg 171208Z Jul 66,	OPERATION HASTINGS/LAMSON
32. MACVCC Msg 172310Z Jul 66,	OPERATION HASTINGS/LAMSON
33. CTG 76.5 Msg 181609Z Jul 66,	OPERATION HASTINGS
34. FMFPAC Msg DTG 180233Z Jul 66,	FMFPAC SITREP # 375, period 16 Jul 66
35. COMUSMACV MSG 180456Z Jul 66,	OPERATION HASTINGS/LAMSON
36. MCCC, HQS, USMC Ltr 18 Jul 66,	Subj: Operation Hastings, period DTG 180730Z Jul 66
37. CG, III MAF Msg 180111Z Jul 66,	III MAF DAILY SITREP # 198, period 162400H-172400H Jul 66
38. MACVCC Msg 181146Z Jul 66,	OPERATION HASTINGS
39. COMUSMACV Msg 181155Z Jul 66,	OPERATIONS IN THE DMZ
40. COMUSMACV Msg 181555Z Jul 66,	ARC LIGHT STRIKE REQUEST (U)
41. MCCC, HQS, USMC Ltr 18 Jul 66,	Subj: Update on Opn HASTINGS DTG 181633Z Jul 66
42. COMUSMACV Msg 182335Z Jul 66,	OPERATION HASTINGS
43. CG, III MAF Msg 190111Z Jul 66,	III MAF DAILY SITREP # 199, period 180001H to 182400H Jul 66
44. FMFPAC Msg 190234Z Jul 66,	FMFPAC SITREP # 476, period 17 Jul 66

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45. CG, III MAF Msg 190111Z Jul 66, III MAF DAILY SITREP # 199, period 180001H - 182400H Jul 66

46. CTG 76.5 Msg 190300Z Jul 66, DECKHOUSE II (U) SITREP # 13 as of DTG (Not Readable)

47. CTG 76.5 Msg 191510Z Jul 66 DECKHOUSE II (U) SITREP # 14 as of 19400Z

48. MACVCC Msg 192325Z Jul 66, OPERATION HASTINGS

49. PAGE 3, (NO MSG # Listed) OPERATION HASTINGS, period 200111Z Jul 66

50. CTG 76.5 Msg 200242Z Jul 66, DECKHOUSE II (U) SITREP # 15 as of 200200Z Jul 66

51. MACVCC Msg 201228Z Jul 66, OPERATION HASTINGS

52. MACVCC Msg 210025Z Jul 66, OPERATION HASTINGS/LAMSON

53. CG, III, MAF Msg 210111Z Jul 66, III MAF DAILY SITREP # 201 for Period 200001 to 202400H Jul 66

54. CTG 76.5 Msg 210330Z Jul 66, DECK HOUSE II (U) SITREP # 17 as of 210200Z Jul 66

55. MACVCC Msg 210500Z Jul 66, OPERATION HASTINGS/LAMSON

56. AMEMBASSY SAIGON Msg 210915Z Jul 66, OPERATION HASTINGS

57. MACVCC Msg 211228Z Jul 66, OPERATION HASTINGS/LAMSON

58. MACVCC Msg 211235Z Jul 66, J2 SPOT REPORT (OPERATION HASTINGS)

59. MCCC, HQS, USMC Ltr 21 Jul 66, Subj: Operation Info Ref OPERATION HASTINGS

60. CTG 76.5 Msg 211510Z Jul 66, DECK HOUSE II (U) SITREP # 18 as of 211400Z Jul 66 (Ref OPERATIONS HASTINGS)

61. MACVCC Msg 212335Z Jul 66, OPERATION HASTINGS

62. CG III MAF Msg 220111Z Jul 66, III MAF DAILY SITREP # 202 for period 210001 to 212400H Jul 66,

63. CG FMFPAC Msg 220234Z Jul 66, FMFPAC WESTPAC SITREP # 479, period of 20 Jul 66

64. CTG 76.5 Msg 220235Z Jul 66, DECK HOUSE II (U) SITREP # 19 as of 220200Z Jul 66 (Ref OPERATION HASTINGS)

65. CG III MAF Msg 220333Z Jul 66, III MAF HISTORICAL SUMMARY # 202 for period 21000, to 212400H Jul 66

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66. MACVCC	Msg 220248Z Jul 66,	OPERATION HASTINGS/LAMSON
67. MACVCC	Msg 221232Z Jul 66,	OPERATION HASTINGS, period 211400H Jul 66
68. CTG 76.5	Msg 221521Z Jul 66,	OPERATION HASTINGS
69. MACVCC	Msg 222347Z Jul 66,	OPERATION HASTINGS
70. CG,III,MAF	Msg 230058Z Jul 66,	OPERATION HASTINGS
71. CTG 76.5	Msg 230315Z Jul 66,	DECK HOUSE II (U) SITREP # 21, period 230200Z Jul 66, Page 3 Ref OPERATION HASTINGS
72. CG,III,MAF	Msg 230333Z Jul 66,	III MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY # 203, period 220001 to 222400H Jul 66
73. COMUSMACV	Msg 230841Z Jul 66,	Subj: ARC LIGHT STRIKE REQUEST (U)
74. CTG 76.5	Msg 231445Z Jul 66,	DECK HOUSE II (U) SITREP # 22, period 231400Z Jul 66, Page 2, Ref OPERATION HASTINGS
75. CTG 76.5	Msg 240304Z Jul 66,	DECK HOUSE II (U) SITREP # 23, period 240200Z Jul 66, Ref par 3 B OPERATION HASTINGS
76. CG,III,MAF	Msg 240333Z Jul 66,	III MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY # 204, period 230001 to 232400H Jul 66 Section One of Four
77. CG,III,MAF	Msg 240111Z Jul 66,	III MAF DAILY SITREP # 204, period 230001 to 232400H Jul 66 (Section One of Two
78. CTG 76.5	Msg 241417Z Jul 66,	DECK HOUSE II SITREP # 24, period 241400Z Jul 66, ref Par 3 B OPERATION HASTINGS
79. MCCC, HQS, USMC	Ltr 24 Jul 66,	Subj: OPN HASTINGS
80. MACVCC	Msg 250009Z Jul 66,	OPERATION HASTING CUMMULATIVE REPORT period 24 Jul 66
81. CG,III,MAF	Msg 250333Z Jul 66,	III MAF HISTORICAL SUMMARY # 205, period 240001 to 242400H Jul 66, ref Page two B, OPERATION HASTINGS
82. CTG 76.5	Msg 250335Z Jul 66,	DECK HOUSE II (U) SITREP # 25, period 250200Z Jul 66, Ref par 3 B OPERATION HASTINGS
83. COMUSMACV	Msg 251015Z Jul 66,	Subj: ARC LIGHT STRIKE REQUEST (U) ref OPERATION HASTINGS

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84. COMUSMACV Msg 251240Z Jul 66,	OPERATION HASTINGS, period 25 Jul 66
85. CTG 76.5 Msg 251447Z Jul 66,	DECK HOUSE II SITREP # 26, period 251400Z Jul 66, Ref OPERATION HASTINGS
86. MACVCC Msg 250430Z Jul 66,	OPERATION HASTINGS
87. CG,III,MAF Msg 260111Z Jul 66,	III MAF DAILY SITREP # 206 for period 250001 to 252400H Jul 66
88. CG,FMFPAC Msg 260214Z Jul 66,	FMFPAC WESTPAC SITREP # 483, period 24 Jul 66
89. CG,III,MAF Msg 260333Z Jul 66,	III MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY # 206, period 250001 to 252400H Jul 66
90. MACVCC Msg 260440Z Jul 66,	OPERATION HASTINGS, period 25 Jul 66
91. CINCPAC Msg 260750Z Jul 66,	Authority to Delay Reconstitution of SLF and extend Employment of ARG in Support of Opn Hastings until 30 Jul 66, reference to CINCPACELT MSG 232314Z Jul 66
92. CTG 76.5 Msg 261530Z Jul 66,	DECK HOUSE II SITREP # 28, period 261400Z Jul 66, Ref OPERATION HASTINGS
93. CG,III,MAF Msg 270111Z Jul 66,	III MAF DAILY SITREP # 207 for period 260001 to 262400H Jul 66 ref OPERATION HASTINGS
94. COMUSMACV Msg 270246Z Jul 66,	Subj: ARC LIGHT STRIKE REQUEST (U) in Support of OPERATION HASTINGS
95. CTG 76.5 Msg 270300Z Jul 66,	DECK HOUSE II (U) SITREP # 29, period 270200Z Jul 66, Ref OPERATION HASTINGS
96. CG, III, MAF Msg 270333Z Jul 66,	III MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY # 207, period 260001 to 262400H Jul 66 ref OPERATION HASTINGS
97. CG,FMFPAC Msg 270312Z Jul 66,	FMFPAC WESTPAC SITREP # 484, summary of events of 25 Jul 66, Ref OPERATION HASTINGS
98. MACVCC Msg 270425Z Jul 66,	OPERATION HASTINGS
99. COMUSMACV Msg 271120Z Jul 66,	Subj: ARC LIGHT STRIKE REQUEST(U)
100. MACVCC Msg 271150Z Jul 66,	TELECON ITEM Ref Par 1B. OPN HASTINGS

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101. CTG 76.5 Msg 271454Z Jul 66, DECK HOUSE II (U) SITREP # 30, period
271400Z Jul 66 Ref OPN HASTINGS

102. CINCPAC Msg 272246Z Jul 66, Subj: ARC LIGHT Ref OPN HASINGS

103. CG, III MAF Msg 280111Z Jul 66, III MAF DAILY SITREP # 208, period
270001 to 272400H Jul 66

104. COMUSMACV Msg 280200Z Jul 66, Subj: ARC LIGHT STRIKE REQUEST, Ref
OPN HASTINGS

105. MACVCC Msg 280359Z Jul 66, Cumulative Results OPN HASTINGS

106. 7AF TACC TSN RVN Msg 280715Z Jul 66, SUBJ: 7AF TAC-P ARC LIGHT FRAG ORDER
THIN MARE

107. CINCPAC Msg 281820Z Jul 66, Subj: ARC LIGHT (Ref OPN HASTINGS)

108. CTG 76.9 Msg 281430Z Jul 66, DECK HOUSE II (U) SITREP # 32 as of
281400Z Jul 66, ref page two B. (2) B
(DECKHOUSE II AND HASTINGS)

109. CINCPAC Msg 282005Z Jul 66, Subj: ARC LIGHT (Ref OPN HASTINGS)

110. JCS Msg 282305Z Jul 66, Subj: Execution Message (U) Ref ARC LIGHT
MISSIONS THIN MARE IV AND V
REF: OPN HASTINGS

111. MACVCC Msg 282155Z Jul 66, OPN HASTINGS, period 28 Jul 66

112. CG, III, MAF MSG 290111Z Jul 66, III MAF DAILY SITREP # 209, period
280001 to 282400H Jul 66 Ref OPN HASTINGS

113. CINCPAC Msg 290125Z Jul 66, ARC LIGHT (U) Ref OPN HASTINGS

114. SEC DEF Msg 290212Z Jul 66, Subj: Public Affairs Guidance ARC LIGHT
STRIKES IN DEMILITARIZED ZONE

115. COMUSMACV Msg 290215Z Jul 66, Subj: ARC LIGHT STRIKE REQUEST (U) Ref
OPN HASTINGS

116. CG, III, MAF Msg 290333Z Jul 66, III MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY # 209,
period 280001H to 282400H Jul 66
Ref OPN HASTINGS

117. COMUSMACV Msg 290400Z Jul 66, OPN HASTINGS

118. CTG 76.5 Msg 290500Z Jul 66, DECK HOUSE II SITREP # 33, period
290200Z Jul 66 Ref OPN HASTINGS

119. 3 AIR DIV ANDERSEN Msg 290647Z Jul 66, Subj: THIN MARE IV AND V
REF: SAK OPLAN 52-66 SUPPLEMENT ONE AS
AMENDED, 3AIRDIV SUPPLEMENT ONE TO REF A
COMUSMACV MSG 26060 29/0215Z Jul 66

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120. COMUSMACV Msg 291045Z Jul 66, Subj: ARC LIGHT Ref OPERATION HASTINGS
121. SAC Msg 291101Z Jul 66, Subj: ARC LIGHT FRAG ORDER 149-67, Sup One,
SAC OPLAN 52-67 THIN MARE IV & V HAS BEEN EX-
ECUTED. REF OPN HASTINGS
122. ADMIN CINCPACFLT Msg 291809Z Jul 66, Subj: Ref ADMINO COMSEVENTHFLT MSG 230950Z
A PLAN FOR RECONSTITUTION OF THE NEW
ARG/SLF SUBSEQUENT TO RELEASE OF
CURRENT ARG/SLF FROM OPN HASTINGS
SUPPORT ON 30 JULY
123. - - - -MSG NOT READIBLE DTG 292330Z Jul 66 Subj: ARC LIGHT STRIKES
124. CG,III,MAF Msg 291408Z Jul 66, Subj: ANTI-US PROPAGANDA DISCOVERED ON
OPERATIONS HASTINGS
125. CTG 76.5 Msg 291545Z Jul 66, DECKHOUSE II SITREP # 34 as of 291400Z Jul 66
Ref OPN HASTINGS
126. ADMINO CINCPAC Msg 291758Z Jul 66, Subj: ARC LIGHT, Ref OPN HASTINGS
127. SAC CP OFFUTT AFB NEBR Msg 291851Z Jul 66, Subj: SAC/JOPREPOPREP-2/062
Ref TARGET OPERATIONS IN
OPERATION HASTINGS
128. CG,III,MAF Msg 300111Z Jul 66, III MAF DAILY SITREP # 210, period
290001 to 292400H Jul 66 Ref OPN HASTINGS
129. CTG 76.5 Msg 300215Z Jul 66, DECKHOUSE II (U) SITREP # 35 as of
300200Z Jul 66, REF OPN HASTINGS
130. CG,III,MAF Msg 300333Z Jul 66, III MAF HISTORICAL SUMMARY # 210 for period
290001 to 292400H Jul 66 Ref OPN HASTINGS
131. MACVCC Msg 300437Z Jul 66, OPN HASTING CUMMULATIVE RESULTS period
29 Jul 66
132. ZFF-4 Msg 300650Z Jul 66, Subj: 7AF TAC-P ARC LIGHT FRAG ORDER
ROUNDLAKE IN III PARTS REF OPN HASTINGS
133. COMUSMACV Msg 300728Z Jul 66, Subj: BOMB DAMAGE ASSESSMENT (U)
134. CG 76 Msg 301106Z Jul 66, SUBJ: DECKHOUSE II SITREP # 36 as of 301100Z
FINAL SITREP
135. MAGVCC Msg 302230Z Jul 66, OPERATION HASTINGS
136. CG,III,MAF Msg 310333Z Jul 66, III MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY 211
for Period 3000001 to 302400H Jul 66
Ref OPN HASTINGS

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137. MACVCC Msg 310432Z Jul 66, OPERATION HASTINGS

138. MACVCC Msg 310951Z Jul 66, OPERATION HASTINGS

139. CG,III,MAF Msg 010111Z Aug 66, III MAF DAILY SITREP # 212 for Period
310001Z to 312400H Jul 66
OPERATION HASTINGS

140. MACVCC Msg 060509Z Aug 66, Page 2, Ref OPERATION HASTINGS

141. MACVCC Msg 012300Z Aug 66, Ref OPERATION HASTINGS

142. CG,III,MAF Msg 020111Z Aug 66, III MAF DAILY SITREP # 213, period
010001 to 012400H Aug 66
Ref OPERATION HASTINGS

143. COMUSMACV Msg 020133Z Aug 66, Subj: ARC LIGHT STRIKE REQUEST
Ref OPERATION HASTINGS

144. MACVCC Msg 020410Z Aug 66, Subj: Cumulative Results of OPERATION
HASTINGS period 2 Aug 66

145. SAC CP Msg 021908Z Aug 66, Subj: SAC/JOPREPOPREP-2/005 Ref
ARC LIGHT & OPERATION HASTINGS

146. CG,III,MAF Msg 030333Z Aug 66, III MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY # 214,
period 020001H to 022400H Aug 66 Ref
OPERATION HASTINGS

147. COMUSMACV Msg 031049Z Aug 66, Subj: ARC LIGHT STRIKE REQUEST (U) Ref
OPERATION HASTINGS

148. COMUSMACV Msg 031050Z Aug 66, Subj: ARC LIGHT STRIKE REQUEST (S) Ref
OPERATION HASTINGS

149. MACVCC Msg 030445Z Aug 66, Cumulative Results from OPERATION HASTINGS

150. SAC CP Msg 031910Z Aug 66, SAC/JOPREP/OPREP-2/007 OPERATION HASTINGS

151. MACVCC Msg 032245Z Aug 66, OPERATION HASTINGS TERMINATED 031200H.
FINAL RESULTS:

152. CG,III,MAF Msg 040333Z Aug 66, Subj: 4th MAR TERMINATED OPN IN QUANG TRI
PROV AT 031300H Aug 66

153. PAGE 5, (NO MSG # OR DTG) Subj: ANALYSIS OF OPERATION HASTINGS

MMNNKVNMA54 LACN426VV MACV2904
 TELECOM ITEM 427/66
 O 083409Z
 FM MACVCC
 TO NMCC
 CINCPAC
 INFO ZEN/III MAF
 ZEN/ I FFORCEV
 ZEN/II FFORCEV
 ZEN/COMNAVFORV
 ZEN/SA IV CORPS
 ZEN/TTH AF
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1. (C) I CTZ:

A. OPN MACON CONT WITH LIGHT CONTACT. CUMULATIVE RESULTS: PRD: 8 KIA, 30 WIA; VC: 44 KIA (US BC) (50 KIA PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AS CONFIRMED KIA WAS ERRONEOUS), 12 VCG, 18 TAC AIR SORTIES HAVE SUPPORTED.

B. OPN WASHINGTON CONT WITH LIGHT CONTACT. CUMULATIVE RESULTS: PRD: NEGATIVE, VC: 3 KIA (US BC); 6 TAC AIR SORTIES HAVE SUPPORTED.

C. OPN HASTINGS, A ONE BN RECON OPN IN QUANG TRI PROV

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 VIC (XD9960) UNDER THE CONTROL OF 2/1 USMC COMMENCED AT 071500H.
 UNITS INVOLVED: 2/1ST MAR, H/3/12TH MAR; RECON ELEMENTS.
 NEGATIVE CONTACT. J-2 OB TO BE SUBMITTED LATER.

2. (C) II CTZ:

A. ALL MAJOR OPERATIONS CONT WITHOUT SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED OR CHANGE IN MISSIONS.

B. CUM RESULTS OF OPNS IN PROGRESS FOLLOWS:
 FRIENDLY

	HENRY CLAY	PAUL REVERE	SU BOX ROK	FILLMORE US/ROK/TOT	BEAUREGARD US	BINH PHU 10 ARVN
KIA	1	62/16/78	20	10/19/29	5	3
WIA	16	280/41/321	63	94/49/143	18	14
MIA	0	1/10/11	0	0	0	1
VIET CONS						
KIA	14	476/76/552	267	197/161/358	11	38
VCG	1	63/6/71	28	41/29/70	0	4
VCS	0	2/5/14	120	333/186/439	0	0
DD WPNS	12	199/16/214	73	47/11/58	3	5
O/S WPNS	1	15/0/15	0	0/1/1	0	3

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3. (C) III CTZ:

A. OPN EVA, A/S/D OPN BY 1/27 INF IN MAU NGHIA PROV, COMMENCED 280630H JULY. AO IS XT2613 - XT3913 - XS3292 - XS3690 X54798. CONCEPT OF OPN IS AN AIRMOBILE ASSAULT ON 08 JULY TO ESTABLISH A BN BASE AREA VIC XS5094 FOLLOWED BY EAGLE FLIGHTS, AMBUSHES, AND SATURATION PATROLLING WITHIN THE AO. ENEMY OR IN AO INCLUDES 267TH VC BN WITH A STRENGTH OF 400 AND THE 269TH VC BN WITH 500. NO CONTACT HAS BEEN REPORTED.

B. OPN EL PASO II AND YORKTOWN CONTINUE WITHOUT SIGNIFICANT CONTACT OR CHANGE IN MISSIONS OR AO'S. CUM RESULTS FOLLOW:

	EL PASO II	FRIENDLY	YORKTOWN
	US/VN/TOT		US
KIA	100/22/122		19
VIA	307/71/378		54
MIA	2/16/16		0
		VIET CONG	
KIA	628		23
VCC	29		3
VCS	78		65
IND WPNS	125		6
C/S WPNS	27		1
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SORTIES	915		19

R. (U) IV CTZ: NO SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY SINCE MY 072135Z.

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020032Z RETURNED SA AND AGNY WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 071500H
CO 0412/91K MAR (AT 061500H) 254 3 VC KIA (AT 071500H) FIRED
5 RDS 90MM, 4 VC KIA. AT 0740 07 CO B SOD OP VTC (AT
074545) RECD 200 RDS SA FROM 70 VC VIC (AT 080500H) RETURNED
30 RDS SA WITH UNK RESULTS, 3 VC KIA (MED EVAC).
(2) OPN WASHINGTON, 1ST DIV CONTINUED RECON OPN IN
QUANG TIN, QUANG NGAI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT
071540H 20 PLAT D CO 1ST RECON ONS 3 VC VIC (AS 0005), FIRED
SA, 3 VC KIA, WPMS, MEDICAL SUPPLIES.

(3) OPN HASTINGS, 2/1ST MAR COMMENCED RECON OPN IN
CAM LO - DONG HA AREA WITH NO CONTACT.

B. PLANS SUMMARY

- (1) OPN MACON, 9TH MAR CONTINUES S&D OPN IN QUANG NAM PROVINCE.
- (2) OPN WASHINGTON, 1ST DIV CONTINUES S&D OPN IN
QUANG TIN/QUANG NGAI PROVINCE.
- (3) OPN HASTINGS, 2/1ST MAR COMMENCED RECON OPN IN
CAM LO, DONG HA AREA AT 071600H WITH 2/1ST MAR (-) (REIN)
STANDING BY AS MOBILE STRIKE FORCE, CENTER OF OPN (XD 9960).

C. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) MACON, US LOSSES: 2 KIA, 30 WTA; ENEMY LOSSES:

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 7400RIA (THE DROP ON VC KIA ATTRIBUTABLE TO RE-EVALUATE
 MANY ORIGINAL KIA, RESULTING IN CHANGE TO KIA (PORB)).
 CAM TAC AIR STRIKE SORTIES: 18
 CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUN FIRE: NONE
 (2) WASHINGTON, US LOSSES: NONE; ENEMY LOSSES: 3 VC KIA,
 CUM TAC AIR STRIKE SORTIES: 6
 CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUN FIRE: NONE

- (3) OPN HASTINGS
- (A) NAME OF OPN: HASTINGS
- (B) CONTROL: 2/1ST MAR
- (C) UNITS: 2/1ST MAR, R 3/1ST MAR, RECON ELEMENTS.
- (D) TYPE: RECON
- (E) COORD: (XD 9960)
- (F) PROVINCE: QUANG TRI
- (G) DTG INITIATED: 071600H
- (H) PURPOSE: RECON THE AREA FOR ENEMY UNITS AND
ACTIVITY, DESIGNED UNITS AT 071600H.

(I) RESULTS: NONE
 (J) OPN TO BE CONTINUED
 (K) DTG: 071600H

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C O N F I D E N T I A L CCN 23410

1. I CTZ: REF PARA 1C MY 080409Z. NO CONFIRMED BN OB IN AREA OF OP HASTINGS, HOWEVER, THE 814TH NVA BN IS CARRIED JUST OUTSIDE AREA WITH A REPT STRENGTH OF 400.

2. II CTZ:

A. NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPT.

B. OP BEAUREGARD. 1/327 INF CDTS AIR MOBILE ASSAULTS IN LZ'S VIC ZB053540 AND ZB043553 FOLLOWED BY S&D OP TO THE WEST. B/1/327 INF CLOSED LZ VIC ZB053540 AT 081200. 1/327 INF (-) CLOSED LZ VIC ZB043553 AT 081420H. 2/502 INF WILL BLOCK FOR 1/327 SWEEP.

3. III ICA: REFERENCE: RESULTS OF GND FOL-UP OLD SILVER. NEG RESULTS REPT.

4. IV CTZ: REFERENCE: RESULTS FOL-UP FAST CUP. NEG RESULTS REPT.

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A. REFERENCE

1. LOSS OF CH-45 ACFT

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RE AT 1830H A CH-45 OF ANM-164 CRASHED AND BURNED AS APPROACHING
LAND ZONE AT 18-01-500 800-50-500 APPARENTLY AS A RESULT OF
ENEMY GROUND FIRE. THE AIRCRAFT WAS ONE OF A FLIGHT OF TWO MAKING
A RECON INSERTION AT THE ABOVE POSITION. INTENSE ENEMY FIRE WAS
RECEIVED DURING THE APPROACH. THE CREW OF FOUR AND SEVEN RECON
TROOPS WERE RESCUED BY A USMC CH-45 HELICOPTER FROM KHE SANH AND
BY MARINE HELICOPTERS. TWO CREW MEMBERS RECEIVED MIND INJURIES,
FOUR TROOPS WERE KILLED AND ONE TROOP PASSENGER IS MISSING.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L C C N 23515

1. (C) I CTZ:

**A. OPN MACON CONT WITH LIGHT CONTACT. CUMULATIVE RESULTS:
FRD: 8 KIA, 31 WIA; VC: 57 KIA (US BC), 16 VCS, 18 TAC AIR
SORTIES HAVE SUPPORTED.**

**B. OPN WASHINGTON CONT IN RECON PHASE WITH LIGHT CONTACT.
CUMULATIVE RESULTS: FRD NEGATIVE; VC: 3 KIA (US BC), 3 IND WQ,
6 TAC AIR SORTIES HAVE SUPPORTED.**

C. OPN HASTINGS CONT WITH NO SIGNIFICANT TACTICAL ACTY.

2. (C) II CTZ:

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**A. OPN BINH PHU 10 (PHASE I) TERMINATED 080800H JUL.
PHASE II, HWY SCTY COMMENCED 080801H JUL. REVISED RESULTS, PHASE
I: FRD LOSSES: 4 KIA, 13 WIA, 2 IND WPNS, 1 M113 APC DESTROYED,
1 M113 APC DAM. VC LOSSES: 104 KIA (US BC), 6
IND WPNS, ONE (1) 60MM MORT, ONE (1) 57 RR, 1 LMG, 1 CASE 40MM
*US) GREN, 1 CASE M79 AMMO, 3 CASES 30 CAL AMMO, ONE (1) 60MM
BASEPLATE, 1 AA MG MOUNT, 10 PACKS.**

**B. ALL MAJOR OPNS CONT WINTOUT SIGNIFICANT CONTACT
REPORTED OR CHANGE IN MISSION.**

**C. CUM RESULTS OF OPNS IN PROGRESS FOLLOWS:
FRIENDLY**

	HENRY CLAY	PAUL REVERE	SU BOK ROK	FILLMORE US/ROK/TOT	BEAUGGZSS US	BINH 047 10 ARVN
KIA	18	220/617821	87	90/89/223	20	314
MIA	0	1/10/11	0	0	0	1
		VIET CONG				
KIA	19	478/76/554	267	197/168/365	12	104
VCC	2	65/6/71	28	41/29/70	0	4

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VCS	0	9/5/*24	120	333/116/449	0	0
IND WPNS	12	199/15/214	74	47/11/58	9	6
C/S WPNS	1	15/0/15	0	0/1/1	0	3
AIR SORTES	14/121	16/408	455	14/563	8/20	41

**3. (C) III CTZ: OPN EL PASO II, YORKTOWN, AND EWA
CONTINUE WITHOUT SIGNIFICANT CONTACT OR CHANGE IN MISSION. NO
CHANGE IN CUM RESULTS SINCE MY 030409Z.**

4. (U) IV CTZ: NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT SINCE MY 032145Z.

**(C) REF PARA 3 ABOVE, OPN E PASO II: 1/4 CAV
REPORTING HEAVY CONTACT 091115H VIC XT6673. 1ST DIV REINFORCING,
NO RESULTS AVAILABLE AT PRESENT, ESTIMATING VC ARE IN REGT**

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ZEN/CG FORTRPS FMFPAC
ZEN/CG FIRST MAW
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ZEN/FIRST MARSBRIG
ZEN/TWENTY SIXTH MAR (CAMPEN)
ZEN/CG FOURTH MARDIV (CAMPEN)
ZEN/CG FIFTH MARDIV (CAMPEN)
ZEN/FIRST RADIO BN
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S E C R E T NOFORN SECTION 1 OF 7
FMFPAC WESTPAC SITREP NO FOUR HUNDRED SIXTY SIX (C)
1. THIS SUMMARIZES EVENTS OF 7 JULY, UNLESS OTHERWISE
SPECIFIED.

2. HIGHLIGHTS

A. KOREAN MARINES TO 3 CORPS
CONTACTED PLANS TO REDEPLOY THE 2D
INF DIV TO LOCATIONS IN CENTRAL II

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CORPS TO I CORPS FOR COORDINATED OPERATIONS WITH III MAF, INCLUDED IN THE PLANS ARE: (1) THE MOVEMENT OF AN ADVANCE ENGINEERING PARTY FROM THE 2D BRIGADE TO I CORPS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. (2) THE IMMEDIATE COMMENCEMENT OF BASE CAMP CONSTRUCTION IN ORDER TO ESTABLISH THE BRIGADE IN ITS NEW BASE CAMP IN THE CHU LAI AREA PRIOR TO THE ONSET OF THE NORTHEAST MONSOON IN MID-SEPTEMBER, AND (3) THE MOVEMENT OF THE BRIGADE (-) FROM TUY HOA (CO 1647) TO CHU LAI, WITH A CLOSURE DATE OF 1 SEPTEMBER. ONE BATTALION OF THE BRIGADE, PRESENTLY LOCATED AT CAM RANH BAY, WILL MOVE TO CHU LAI WHEN RELIEVED BY THE 9TH ROK DIVISION ON OR ABOUT 15 SEPTEMBER.

NORMAL I/O STRENGTH OF AN ROK MARINE BRIGADE INCLUDES 4157 MARINE CORPS PERSONNEL (230 OFFICERS, 3927 ENLISTED) AND 153 NAVAL (16 OFF, 137 ENLISTED). IN ADDITION TO NORMAL SUPPORTING UNITS AND THREE INFANTRY BATTALIONS, WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT ORGANIC TO THE BRIGADE INCLUDE EIGHTEEN 105 MM HOWITZERS, SIX 155 MM HOWITZERS, EIGHT 4.2 MORTARS AND TWO 0-1 AIRCRAFT.

B. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

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(1) LIGHT CONTACT WAS REPORTED AS MARINES CONTINUED TWO LARGE SCALE OPERATIONS IN QUANG NAM AND QUANG NGAI PROVINCES, AND COMMENCED A THIRD IN THE NORTHERNMOST REGIONS OF I CORPS. THIS MOST RECENT OPERATION, CODE NAMED HASTINGS, COMMENCED AT 1620H ON THE 7TH WHEN CO B (-), 3D RECON BN AND ELEMENTS OF THE 2D BN, 1ST MARINES WERE HELILIFTED TO THE CAM LO / DONG HA AREA, EIGHT MILES SOUTH OF THE DMZ. AT 1830H ON 8 JULY, ONE CH-46 OF HMM-164 CRASHED AND BURNED AFTER RECEIVING INTENSE ENEMY GROUND FIRE IN AN AREA EIGHT MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM LO. THE CREW OF FOUR AND SEVEN OF THE EIGHT TROOPS, WERE RESCUED BY MARINE AND USAF HELICOPTERS. TWO OF THE CREW RECEIVED MINOR INJURIES, FOUR TROOPS WERE BURNED AND ONE USMC IS MISSING. THE 2D BN, 1ST MARINES (-) HAS ESTABLISHED A MOBILE STRIKE FORCE AT DONG HA TO SUPPORT THE RECONNAISSANCE OPERATION. NO GROUND CONTACTS HAVE BEEN REPORTED.

WHILE NO CONFIRMED ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE IS CARRIED IN THE AREA OF OPERATIONS, THE 12TH NVA BATTALION IS CARRIED JUST OUTSIDE THE AREA WITH A REPORTED

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STRENGTH OF 400. THIS UNIT WAS LAST REPORTED ON 20 JUNE WHEN THEY WERE OBSERVED DIGGING TRENCHES IN AN AREA ABOUT 22 MILES TO THE SE. NUMEROUS UNCONFIRMED REPORTS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED OVER THE PAST SEVERAL MONTHS CONCERNING THE INFILTRATING OF NVA UNITS THROUGH THE DMZ. IN ADDITION, ON 5 JULY US ARMY PERSONNEL REPORTED HEAVY .50 CAL MG FIRE IN THE AREA SOUTH OF NATIONAL ROUTE NINE, THE SAME VICINITY IN WHICH THE CH-46 WENT DOWN. ALSO, ON THE 7TH, FIVE FLIGHTS OF TWO AIRCRAFT EACH WERE SCRAMBLED TO ATTACK A VC COMPANY ARMED WITH FOURTEEN .50 CAL AA GUNS IN WELL FORTIFIED POSITIONS 7 MILES NW OF CAM LO. THE F4'S AND A4'S ROCKETED, BOMBED AND STRAFED THE ENEMY POSITIONS FROM 1330H TO 1440H, AND WERE CREDITED BY THE USAF TAC (A) WITH SEVEN VC KBA AND TEN GUN POSITIONS DESTROYED. ADDITIONAL INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION ON THIS AREA CAN BE FOUND IN PARA 3.E.

(2) IN THE AREA SEVENTEEN MILES SOUTH OF DANANG, ELEMENTS OF THE THIRD AND NINTH MARINES CONTINUE SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THE MASON AREA AGAINST LIGHT ENEMY CONTACT. ONE MAJOR CONTACT WAS REPORTED

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AT 0110H ON THE 7TH WHEN A HEAVY ARTILLERY MISSION WAS FIRED ON 150 TO 200 VIET CONG OBSERVED 1200 METERS SOUTH OF THE THU BON RIVER. ENEMY CASUALTIES WERE UNCONFIRMED DUE TO DARKNESS. IN NUMEROUS OTHER CONTACTS WITH ENEMY ELEMENTS THROUGHOUT THE AREA, TWENTY VC WERE CONFIRMED KILLED.

(3) TO THE SOUTH, IN QUANG NGAI PROVINCE, THE 1ST MARDIV RECONNAISSANCE IN FORCE OPERATION WASHINGTON CONTINUES WITH LIGHT CONTACT. ELEMENTS OF THE 1ST RECON BN KILLED THREE VC DURING THE PERIOD. FOR DETAILS OF THESE OPERATIONS SEE PARA 2.A.

C. POLITICAL SITUATION

SOME INTERESTING FACTS HAVE DEVELOPED OUT OF THE RECENT ARREST AND POSSIBLE COURT-MARTIAL OF GENERAL THI. THE ARREST OF FORMER 1ST CORPS COMMANDER THI ON 4

7 JULY, WHO ALONG WITH FOUR OTHER GENERALS IS AWAITING THE BOARD OF GENERALS INVESTIGATION SCHEDULED FOR 8 JULY, WAS REPORTEDLY INSPIRED BY A MILITARY PACTON HELD BY DEPUTY PREMIER PHUOC TO, A LONG TIME ENEMY OF THI, THE GROUP.

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ZEN/CG FIELD FORCE ONE NHA TRANG RVN
ZEN/CG FIELD FORCE TWO BIEN HOA RVN
ZEN/CG ROK FV
DDKUV/CTF SEVEN SIX
ZEN/CG THIRD MARDIV
ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV
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I. I MAF DAILY SITREP 189-66 072400H TO 082400H JULY 1966.

LH. OBS SUMMARY
(1) OPN MACON. 9TH MAR CONTINUED S&D OPN IN QUANG NAM PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT
EK. AT 080515TRSQD OF D CO D/1/9TH MAR VIC (AT967564) OBS 2 VC CROSSING RIVER, FIRED 1500 RDS SA AND 4 RDS M-79, 11 VC K
N, 4 VCS. AT 081512H TANK WITH CO H BLOCKING FORCE OBS 2 VC VIC (AT977538), FIRED RD 90MM, 2 VC KIA.
(2) OPN WASHINGTON. 1ST DIV CONTINUED RECON OPN IN QUANG TIN, QUANG NGAI PROVINCE WITH NO CONTACT.
(3) OPN HASTINGS. 2/1ST MAR CONTINUED RECON OPN P QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 081820H VIC (YD 071468) A CH-46 HEL ON RARON INSERTION WAS SHOT DOWN, 1 USMC KIA 4 USMC WIA (MED EVAC)
B. PLANS SUMMARY
(1) OPN MACON. 9TH MAR CONTINUED OPN IN QUANG NAM PROVINCE.
(2) OPN WASHINGTON. 1ST DIV CONTINUES S&D OPN IN QUANG TIN/ QUANG

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NGAI PROVINCE.

(3) OPN HASTINGS. 2/1ST OBR CONTINUES RECON OPN IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE.

C. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) MAON. US LOSSES: 8 KIA, 31 WIA; ENEMYS: 93: 57 KIA.

CUM TAC AIR STRIKE SORTIES: 18

CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUN FIRE: NONE

(2) WASHINGTON. NO CHANGE

CUM TAC AIR STRIKE SORTIES: 6

CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUN FIRE: NONE

(3) HASTINGS. US LOSSES: 1 KIA, 6 WIA; ENEMY LOSSES: 1 KIA

CUM TAC AIR STRIKE SORTIES: NONE

CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUN FIRE: NONE

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QUANG TIN

(BT 369165)	080015H (D)	C/1/5/NONE	UNK/5 KIA	AMB
(BLA525081)	080035H (D)	G/2/7/NONE	UNK/2 VCS	AMB
(BT 393143)	080635H (S)	HF A/1/5/NONE	UNK/5 VCS	XX JXMB
(BT 420108)	00600H (S)	D/1/5/NONE	UNK/2 VCS	AMB

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(BT 308111)	081920H (D)	B/1/5/NONE	UNK/NONE	AMB
(BT 430162)	082035H (N)	B/1/5/NONE	UNK/NONE	DEF

QUANG NGAI

(BS 607977)	080045 S (D)	C/1/7/NONE	UNK/NONE	AMB
(BS 539961)	080915H (D)	1/3/7/NONE		

(BS 535947)	081000H (D)	1/3/7/NONE	NYNK/4 VCS	PTL
(BS 471777)	081245H (D)	N H&S/2/7/NONE	UNK/1 VCS	UJTL
(BS 534947)	081400H (D)	1/3/7/NONE	S UNK/NONE	DEF

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(BS 6) 991)	082305H (N)	H&S/1/7/NONE	UNK/NONE	AMB
QBAN080018)	082310H (N)	G/3/11/NONE	UNK/NONE	DEE
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(BT 075605)	081010H (D)	B/1/1/NONE	UNK/3 VCS	IG CLR
(BT 166594)	081010H (D)	A/1/1/NONE	UNK/2 VCS	HHB CLR
	HJ	SM	UNK/1 RUSSIAN	CLR
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III MAF DAILY SITREP 190-66 082400H TO 092400H JULY 1966.

1. OPN SUMMARY
A. GENERAL

(1) OPN MACON. 9TH MAR CONTINUED 82D OPN IN QUANG
NAM PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 080700H 3/9TH MAR RE-
SUPPLY HEL VIC (AT 980530). RECD 8 RDS SA, CONTROLLED FIXED
WING AIRSTRIKE, 2 VC KIA. AT 091015H CO F/2/9TH MAR
PTL VIC (BT 085586) RECD 3 RDS SA, RETURNED 100 RDS SA, 3
RDS 60MM WITH UNK RESULTS, 1 USMC WIA. (MED EVAC). AT 091215H
3/9TH MAR OP ORG 2, VC VIC (AT 942455), CALLED IN ARTY MSN
AND AIRSTRIKE, 11 VC KIA.
AT 091200H CO 2/2/9TH MAR PTL VIC (AT 090630)
ORIG 1 VC VIC (BT 080630) RECD 200 RDS SA, 1 VC KIA.
AT 091500H LVT VIC (BT 084555) DETONATED MINE, 1 LVT LIGHTLY
WIA. AT 091500H RECD 2 VC VIC (AT 084555) GATHERING
WIND AND STAR FROM NORTH OF DEAD VC FROM EARLIER MISSION.

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ALSO 1 WOUNDED VC OBS, CALLED IN ARTY MISSION, 2 VC KIA,
1 VC WIA. AT 090910H CO D/1/30 MAR PTL DEST 1 SHOE
BOX AP MINE, VC RAN FROM NEARBY TUNNEL, PTL FIRED SA, 1 VC
WIA. AT 092000H CO D/1/30 MAR RECD 20 RDS SA, LP
WITHDREW AND ARTY MISSION CALLED WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 092300H
CO D/1/30 MAR DETECTED 20 VC, FIRED SA AND CALLED IN BMM WITH
UNK RESULTS

(2) OPN WASHINGTON, 1ST DIV CONTINUED RECON OPN IN
QUANG TIN, QUANG NGAI PROVINCE WITH NO CONTACT.

(3) OPN HASTINGS, 2/1ST MAR CONTINUED RECON OPN IN
QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 090600H RECON PTL
INSERTED VIC (YD 092503), SET AMBUSH ON TRAIL, FIRED AT 4 VC,
4 VC KIA, PTL WASLIMEN EXTRACTED UNDER HEAVY SA FIRE.

B. PLANS SUMMARY

(1) OPN MACON, 9TH MAR CONTINUES S&D OPN IN QUANG
NAM PROVINCE.

(2) OPN WASHINGTON, 1ST MARDIV CONTINUES S&D OPN IN
QUANG TIN/QUANG NGAI PROVINCE.

(3) OPN HASTINGS, 2/1ST MAR CONTINUES RECON OPN IN
QUANG TRI PROVINCE.

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C. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) MACON, US LOSSES: 2 KIA, 30 WIA; ENEMY LOSSES:
87 KIA.

CUM TAC AIR STRIKE SORTIES: 00

CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUN FIRE: NONE

(2) WASHINGTON, NO CHANGE

CUM TAC AIR STRIKE SORTIES: 12

CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUN FIRE: NONE

(3) HASTINGS, US LOSSES: 1 KIA, 6 WIA; ENEMY LOSSES:
5 KIA.

CUM TAC AIR STRIKE SORTIES: 2

CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUN FIRE: NONE

D. FRIENDLY INITIATED SMALL UNIT CONTACTS: 18

PROV/COORD	DTG	FWD UNIT/LOSSES	EN UNIT/LOSSES	TYPE	ACTION
QUANG TIN					
(BT 342132)	091232H (DD)	2/1/5/NONE	UNK/NONE	DEF	
(BS 377040)	091510H (DD)	0/1/1/1/NONE	UNK/NONE	PTL	
(BT 403040)	091540H (DD)	0/2/1/1/NONE	UNK/NONE	DEF	
(BT 440040)	091740H (DD)	0/2/1/1/NONE	UNK/NONE	PTL	
(BT 480040)	091800H (DD)	0/2/1/1/NONE	UNK/NONE	DEF	

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1. (C) I CTZ.

A. OPN MACON CONT WITH LIGHT CONTACT. CUMULATIVE RESULTS: FRD: 8 KIA, 32 WIA; VC: 87 KIA (USBC), 16 VCS.

B. OPN WASHINGTON CONT IN RECON PHASE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. CUMULATIVE RESULTS: FRD: NEGATIVE; VC: 3 KIA (USBC), 3 I WPNS.

C. OPN HASTINGS CONT WITH RECON ACTV AND LIGHT CONTACT BY RECON ELEMENTS. RESULTS: FRD: 1 KIA, 6 WIA; VC: 5 KIA (USB).

2. (C) II CTZ.

A. 3D BN, CAV REGT, CAP ROK DIV CLOSED VIC YA8419 AT 01445 FOR PARTICIPATION W/3D BDE, 25TH INF DIV IN IP PAUL REVERE.

B. OP BINH PHU 10 PHASE I ERM 080800 JUL 66. PHASE II HIGH SECURITY.

C. OP HENRY CLAY CONT W/ LT SPORATIC CONTACT. 3D BDE TAC CP DISPLACED TO CHEO REO (VIC BQ2482) 091000H.

D. 2/7 CAV FROM AN KHE CLOSED PLEIKU 090930. ASSUMES

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AIRSTRIKE, 2 VC KIA (11497). AT 091015H CO F/2/9TH MAR PTL VIC (BT 009586) RDUO 3RDS SA, RETEVZINFO 100 RDS SA, 3 RDS COMM WITH UNK RESULTS SIGN 1 EPMC WIA (FKMED EVAC). AT 091215H 3/7TH MAR VOMIC (UT 942435), CALLED IN ARTY MSN AND AIRSTRIKE, 11 VC KIA (CONF), 6 VC KIA (1-0497), AND 4 VC WIA (PROB). AT 091245H CO E/1/9TH MAR PTL VIC (AT 999639) OBS 1 VC VIC (BT 008641), FIRED 200 RDS SA, 1 VC KIA (CONF) AT 091300H LVT VIC (BT 008633) DETONATED MINE, 1 LVT LIGHTLY DAM. AT 091230H CO F PZD VIC (BT 011588) RECD 5 RDS SA, CALLED IN ARTY WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 091314H CO G PTL OBS 20 VC, CALLED IN ARTY WITH NEG RESULTS. AT 091520H RECON OP OBS 2 VC VIC (AT 945445) GATHERING WPNS AND GEAR FROM BODIES OF DEAD VC FROM EARLIDB MISSIONS, ALSO 20 WOUNDED VC OBS, CALLED IN ARTY SRAE I UIA (6:9 1) 71

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AT 091915H CO I/3/9TH MAR PTL DEST 1 SHOE BOX AP MINE, VC RAN FROM NEARBY TUNNEL, PTL FIRED SA, 1 VC VIA (CONF). AT 090049H CO A/1/3D MAR RCD 20 RDS SA, LP WITHDREW AND ARTY MSNS CALLED WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 092300H CO D/1/3D MAR DETECTED 20 VC, FIRED SA AND CALLED IN 81MM WITH UNK RESULTS. CUM CAS: USMC: 4 KIA; 30 WIA; ENEMY: 87 KIA (CONF), 174 KIA (PROB) 16 VCS.

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B. OPN WASHINGTON, 1ST DIV CONTINUED RECON OPN IN QUANG TIN, QUANG NGAI PROVINCE WITH NO CONTACT.

C. OPN HASTINGS, 2/1ST MAR CONTINUED RECON OPN IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 090600H RECON PTL INSERTED VIC (YD 092593), SET AMBUSH ON TRAIL, FIRED AT 4 VC, 4 VC KIA (CONF), PTL WAS THEN EXTRACTED UNDER HEAVY SA FIRE. CUM CAS: VC: 5 KIA; USMC: 1 KIA, 6 WIA.

D. 1ST MARINE DIVISION

(1) CHU LAI TAOR

(A) 5TH MARINES

(1) 1/5TH MAR. LATE ENTRY: AT 091730H CO A PLAT INSERTED BY HEL VIC (BT 308158) TO MAN OP. AT 090045H HQ CO FT LP VIC (BT 440071) OBS 2 VC 35 METERS N OF PSN, FIRED SA AND RECD 1 HAND GREN, 1 VC WIA (PROB), 1 USMC WIA. AT 090930H CO A REIN SQD INSAVED VIC (BT 325055) TO ESTABL OP. AT 091040H CO A RECON PTL MEMBER WOUNDED ON PUNJI STAKE VIC (BT 337121), 1 USMC WIA (FKMED EVAC). AT 091230H CO C SQD OP VIC (BT 358131) OBS 2 VC VIC (BT 340132), CALLED IN ARTY, 2 VC KIA (PROB).

(2) 2/5TH MAR. LATE ENTRY. AT 092530H CO

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ZEN2/CG FIELD FORCE ONE NHA TRANG RVN
ZEN/CG FIELD FORCE TWO BINH HOA RVN
ZEN/CG ROK AV
DDKUV/CTF SEVEN SIX
ZEN/CG THIRD MARDIV
ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV
ZEN/CG FIRST MAR
ZEN2/CG I CORPS ADV GP
ZEN/CG LOGCND
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III MAF DAILY SITREP 191-66 092400Z TO 102400Z JULY 1966.

1. OPN SUMMARY.

A. GENERAL

(1) OPN MACON. 9TH MAR CONTINUED S&D OPN IN QUANG
NAM PROVINCE WITH NO CONTACT. AT 122946N CO 7LY 370 DEST
TUNNEL B/EXPLOSIVES, 1 SECONDARY EXPLOSION OCCURED, 1 USMC KIA.

(2) OPN WASHINGTON. 1ST DIV CONTINUED RECON OA IN
QUANG TIN, QUANG NGAI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 101015H
CO 4 AT PLAT 1ST RECON. OBS 4 VC VIC (BT 075010), CALLED ARTY
YSN, 1 VC KIA. AT 101215H 4TH PLAT, 1ST RECON, AMBUSHED 3
VC VIC (AS 942951), 2 VC KIA, 4 VCC.

(3) OPN HASTINGS. 2/1ST MAR CONTINUED RECON OPN IN
QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 102615H 1ST FORCE
RECON TEAM 370 (DDSS8806) ENCOUNTERED LARGE VC FORCE (1000
COS) WITH PAUL 2 EQUIPMENT. DIV NO DAY 22 OF HASTINGS RECON
EXTRACTED AT 102625H SIDED BY 1000.

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B. PLANS SUMMARY

- (1) OPN MAON. 5TH MAR CONTINUES S&D OPN IN QUANG NAM PROVINCE.
- (2) OPN WASHINGTON. 1ST MARDIV CONTINUES S&D OPN IN QUANG TIN/QUANG NGAI PROVINCE.
- (3) OPN HASTINGS. 2/1ST MAR CONTINUES RECON OPN IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE.

C. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

- (1) MAON. US LOSSES: 8 KIA, 33 WIA; ENEMY LOSSES: 87 KIA, 16 VCS
CUM TAC AIR STRIKE SORTIES: 20
CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUN FUGE: NONE
 - (2) WASHINGTON. US LOSSES: NONE; ENEMY LOSSES: 6 KIA, 4 VCC.
CUM TAC AIR STRIKE SORTIES: 12
CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUN FIRE: NONE
 - (3) HASTINGS. NO CHANGE
CUM TAC AIR STRIKE SORTIES: 2
CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUNFIRE: NONE
- D. KIENDLY INITIATED SMALL UNIT CONTACTS: 31

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PROV/COORD	DTG	FRD UNIT/LOSSES	EN UNIT/LOSSES	TYPE	ACTION
QUANG TIN					
(BT 424094)	092320H (N)	H/2/5/NONE	UNK/NONE		AMB
(BEE15)	100430H (N)	D/1/5/NONE	UNK/NONE	SEC	
(BT 498065)	100715H (D)	G/2/5/NONE	UNK/1VCS		SEC
(BT 395102)	100900H (D)	B/1/5/NONE	UNK/NONE		OP
(BT 324123)	100920H (D)	A/1/5/NONE	UNK/NONE		PTL
(BT 365054)	100920H (D)	C/1ST REC/NONE	UNK/NONE		PTL
(BT 319068)	101005H (D)	A/1/5/NONE	UNK/NONE		PTL
(BT 359131)	101055H (D)	C/1/5/NONE	UNK/NONE		S&D
(BT 370096)	191119H (D)	B/1/5/NONE	UNK/NONE		OP
(BT 376054)	101155H (D)	C/1ST REC/NONE	UNK/NONE		PTL
(BT 376054)	101145H (D)	C/1ST REC/NONE	UNK/NONE		PTL
(BT 365067)	101500H (D)	C/1ST REC/NONE	UNK/NONE		PTL
(BT 358152)	101510H (D)	C/1/5/NONE	UNK/1VCS		S&D
(BT 365073)	101622H (D)	H/2/5/NONE	UNK/2 VCS		S&D
(BT 498065)	101802H (D)	G/2/5/NONE	UNK/1VCS		PTL
QUANG NGAI					
(BS 528757)	100830H (D)	H&S/2/7/NONE	UNK/NONE		S&D OP
(BS 527755)	100800H (D)	H&S/2/7/NONE	UNK/NONE		OP

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REF: A. COMUSMACV 24138 DTG 140322Z JUL (S)

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STRIKE. REQUEST QUICK PUNCH TWO (REF A) BE HELD IN ABEYANCE FOR
POSSIBLE FUTURE SCHEDULING. INTELLIGENCE INFO REF A APPLIES.

2. (S) REQUEST APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING: ARC LIGHT STRIKE:

TARGET	UTM COORDINATES	ACFT	TOT
A. QUANG TRI	YD PEYPT RPT YD 036505	SIX	1421XXZ JULY
NINETY-THREE	(QUICK PUNCH FOUR)	(6)	RPT 1421XXZ JULY

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YD 028495 RPT YD 028495
YD 055472 RPT YD 055472
YD 064482 RPT YD 064482

(1) SUBJECT TO EXECUTION APPROVAL, THIS MESSAGE CONSTITUTES
CONFIRMATION. TIMING BETWEEN QUICK PUNCH ONE, THREE AND FOUR AT
SAC'S DISCRETION AS LONG AS FIRST TOT IS 142125Z JULY RPT
142125Z JULY WITH NO BOMBS RELEASED AFTER 142200Z RPT 142200Z.

3. (U) INFORMATION CONTAINED IN PARA 3 REF A APPLIES.

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C. QUANG TRI
NINETY-TWO
(QUICK PUNCH THREE)

YD 026634 RPT YD 026634
YD 026625 RPT YD 026625
YD 027643 RPT YD 027643
YD 030634 RPT YD 030634

STG 1421XXZ JULY
(6) RPT
1421XXZ JULY

(1) SUBJECT TO EXECUTION APPROVAL, THIS MESSAGE CONSTITUTES
SAC'S DISCRETION IN THE USE OF SUBSURFACE STRIKES AT
142125Z JULY WITH NO BOMBS RELEASED AFTER 142200Z RPT 142200Z.

3. (S) THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION APPLIES TO ALL STRIKES
REQUESTED IN PARA TWO ABOVE.

A. WEAPONING: M.E. MUNITIONS AT SAC'S DISCRETION.
MUNITIONS FUZING PREVIOUSLY SCHEDULED FOR FAST BARE ARE ACCEPTABLE
IN QUICK PUNCH STRIKES (SCHEDULED SURFACE TO SUBSURFACE).

B. MAP SERIES L-701, SCALE 1:50,000.

C. GROUND EXPLOITATION IS SCHEDULED.

D. THERE ARE NO HUTS OR HAMLETS WITHIN ONE KILOMETER OF
ANY TARGET.

E. RADAR HELICOPTER BEACON WILL NOT BE PROVIDED.

F. FRIENDLY FORCES WILL BE NO CLOSER THAN THREE

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KILOMETERS TO THE TARGET BOXES AT TOT.

G. AMEMB SAIGON AND GVN HAVE APPROVED THESE STRIKES.

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OPERATION HASTINGS- SPOT REPORT

1. CONCEPT
OPERATION HASTINGS WILL BE CONTINUED ON AN EXPANDED SCALE. TASK FORCE DELTA, COMMAND HEADQUARTERS WILL BE LOCATED AT CAM LO. MARINE UNITS WILL OPERATE IN ZONE B, DELINEATED AS FOLLOWS: WEST ALONG RTE 9 FROM CAM LO TO GRID LINE 28, THEN NORTH ON GRID LINE 28 TO SOUTHERN BOUNDARY OF DMZ, ALONG THE TRACE OF THE DMZ IT A LINE FROM COORDINATES (YD 166582) TO (YB 117597) TO (YD 279692). ARVN UNITS WILL OPERATE IN ZONE A, THAT AREA EAST OF AND ADJACENT TO ZONE B, BOUNDED ON THE SOUTH GENERALLY BY THE SONG CAM LO, HIGHWAY NRI ON THE EAST, AND THE

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DMZ ON THE NORTH. ARVN AIRBORNE TASK FORCE WILL OPERATE IN ZONE C, AN AREA LOCATED SOUTH OF ZONE B, EAST OF HIGHWAY 9 AND TO THE NORTH OF SONG QUANG TRI. THE EASTERN BOUNDARY, GENERALLY ALONG 08 GRID LINE TO 0850 THEN GENERALLY SOUTH-EAST TO VIC (YD 125445) THEN SOUTH TO SONG QUANG TRI.

THE COMMAND HEADQUARTERS AND ARTILLERY UNITS WILL BE LOCATED AT CAM LO. THE LOGISTICS AREA LOCATED AT DONG HA WITH ONE INFANTRY COMPANY AS SECURITY FORCE.

2. TASK ORGANIZATION
TASK FORCE DELTA-COMMAN HEADQUARTERS
4TH MARINES (REINF)
20 BN, 1ST MARINES
20 BN, 4TH MARINEY
20 BN, 4TH MARINES
30 BN, 12TH MARINES (-) (REINF)
1ST MARINES AND 2 DESIGNATED BNS AVAILABLE FOR EXPLOITATION

3. EXECUTION
ON COMMENCING 15 JULY, TASK FORCE DELTA INITIATES S&D OPERATIONS BY LANDING 3/4 IN VIC (YD 23/4) TO SEARCH FOR 2 OF 324TH DIA, REPORTED TO BE LOCATED VIC (YD 2564). 1/4 LANDS

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IN VIC (YD 0356) IMMEDIATELY AND CONDUCTS S&D OPERATIONS TO
SOUTHWEST. 2/1(-) REMAINS IN RESERVE AT CAM LO TO REACT
EITHER TO HELICOPTER OR OVERLAND AS DIRECTED.

B. TWO ARVN INFANTRY BATTALIONS PLUS ONE APC COMPANY WILL
CONDUCT OPERATIONS IN ZONE A. THREE AIRBORNE ARVN BATTALIONS

C. THREE PRE PLANNED DESIGNATED APC LIGHT STRIKES WILL
BE EXECUTED PRIOR TO COMMENCING S&D OPERATIONS.

D. 1ST MARINES PLUS TWO DESIGNATED BATTALIONS WILL BE
USED FOR AN EXPLOITATION FORCE IF SITUATION DEVELOPS.

E. IN CONJUNCTION WITH HASTING CLOSELY COORDINATED, THE S&D
WILL LAND TENTATIVELY ON 15 JULY IN AN AOA DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
FROM VIC (YD 3470) BUT MODIFIED IN NORTH BY DMZ LINE. THE AIR-
SPACE EXTENDS TO 25000 FT. THE PROPOSED LANDING BEACH IS
LOCATED FROM (YD 342703) TO (YD 305740). 490935 3)9-
OPERATION HAS BEEN DESIGNATED AS DECK HOUSE 11.

1A. DURATION:

ESTIMATED MINIMUM DURATION: 7-10 DAYS.

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1. Concept for Operation Hastings.

a. Operation will continue on an expanded scale. Task Force Delta located at Cam Lo, VIC coord YD 130597. Marine units will operate in zone Bravo which is defined as West along Route #9 from Cam Lo to Grid Line 00 North on Grid Line 00 to the South boundary of the DMZ, along the trace of the DMZ to a line from YD 116582, YD 117597 and YD 079690.

b. ARVN units will operate in zone Alpha, an area East and adjacent to zone Bravo and bounded on the South by the Song Cam Lo, on the East by Hiway #1 and on the North by the DMZ.

c. ARVN Airborne Task Force will operate in zone Charlie, an area located South of zone Bravo, East of Hiway #9, North of Song Quang Tri with the Eastern boundary along the 08 Grid Line and generally Southeast to the Song Quang Tri.

d. Command Hqs and Arty units located at Cam Lo; logistic area at Dong Ha with one infantry company as security.

2. Task Organization for Operation Hastings as follows:

Task Force Delta
 4th Marines (Rein)
 2/1
 2/4
 3/4
 3/12 (-) (Rein)

1st Marines with two designated infantry bn's are available for exploitation.

3. Execution.

a. Commencing 15 July, TF Delta initiates search and destroy operations by landing 3/4 at YD 0364 to search for CP of 324th Div (NVA) reported at YD 0564.

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b. 2/4 lands at YD 0866 and conducts search and destroy operations in S.W.

c. 2/1 (-) remains in reserve at Cam Lo.

d. 2 ARVN Infantry Bn's plus one APC Company conduct operations in zone Alpha.

e. 3 ARVN ABN Bn's conduct operations in zone Charlie.

f. ARVN Operation designated Lam Son 289.

4. Preplanned Arc Light Strikes will be executed prior to Search and Destroy Operations. 1st Marines plus designated 2 Infantry Bn's will be used for exploitation force if situation develops.

5. In conjunction with Operation Hastings and closely coordinated, SLF will land 16 July. AOA defined as follows: YD 2877, along DMZ to Route #1, South on Route #1 to Grid Line 63, due East to the sea AOA extends 25 NM radius from YD 3470 to seaward modified to the North by the DMZ. Air space to 25,000 feet. Landing Beach YD 342703 to YD 305740. Helo LZ are YD 292701 and YD 298693.

6. Amphibious Operation designated Deck House II.

7. Estimated minimum duration of operations - 7 to 10 days.

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1. OPN HADEN CONTINUES W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT. CUMU-
LATIVE RESULTS: FRD: 8 KIA, 32/100, VC: 90 KIA (US BC), 1 VCC,
23 VCS. NSF-0

2. ~~OPN HASTINGS~~ INITIAL ELEMENTS OF TF DELTA LANDED
IN LZ VIC (Y0354) AS SCHEDULED AT 150800H. CUMULATIVE RESULTS:
FRD: 1 KIA, 1 WIA, VC: 13 KIA (UYZBC). JYTAILED PLANS FOR
EXPLOITATION OF THE ARC LIGHT STRIKES NOT AVAILABLE AT THE
PRESENT TIME. NSF-0

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CLAS CHANGED AS FOLLOWS: (C) 213135Z JUL, PARA LA (4). J-2 OB IN AO HENRY

01 VC LF BN	STR 400
02 NVA LF BN	STR 400
200TH VC RF ARTY BN	STR 200
16TH NVA LF SIG BN	STR 200
15TH NVA LF ENGR BN	STR 100
409TH VC RF BN	STR 300
81ST VC LF BN	STR 400
185TH VC LF BN	STR 400

TOTAL STR 2400

3. OPN HENRY CLAY CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT. 1ST
OPCON 30 BY 150605H JUL. 1 FPV ASSUMES OPCON 2430
AT 150700H JUL.

4. ALL VC STRIKES CONT WITHOUT SIGNIFICANT CONTACT
IN AREA HENRY CLAY SINCE 142145H JUL.

5. CUMULATIVE RESULTS OF OPNS IN PHASES FOLLOWS:
FRIENDLY

OPCON	CLAY	STR	CONF	IDENT	VAL	FILL CRE	LEAD
1	15	22	16	10	10/20/30		
2	18	66	41	330	94/50/144		
3	0	0	0	0	0		
4	50	282	157	570	187/171/365		
5	0	0	0	0	0		
6	0	121	63	214	61/30/71		
7	0	77	41	158	353/123/456		
8	0	0	0	0	0		

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I. I CTZ:

A. OP HASTINGS CONT NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT. 3/4 USMC
 COMPL LIFT 1020H. 2/4 USMC FIRST WAVE IN AT 0935H. THREE CH-
 ACFT DEST DURING LANDING OF 3/4. ONE ACFT HIT TREE, A SECOND
 ACFT HIT BAMBOO. THIS CAUSED ROTOR BLADES TO DISINTEGRATE WHICH
 IN TURN RESULTED IN BLADES OF THIRD ACFT DISINTEGRATING. CUM
 RESULTS: FRD: 3 KIA, 14 WIA; VC: 14 KIA, 1 VCC. 17 AIR SORTIES
 HAVE SPTD. NGF- NONE.

B. OP MAON CONT. RECON PTL OBSERVED EST 300 VC VIC

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AT 958478 AT 141010H. AIR AND ARTY CALLED IN ON VC. RESULTS:

NO VC KIA. CUM RESULTS: FRD: 8 KIA, 35 WIA; VC: 169 KIA, 1
 VCC, 25 VCS. NOTE- EARLIER DOWNGRADING OF VC KIA ON 4 JULY NOW
 CONSIDERED CONFIRMED VC LOSSES. NGF- NONE.

B. II & IV CTZ: OP SYDNEY CONT NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT. 5/ BAR
 RESULTS: OP IN AO, AND 6/ BAR SATURATION PATROLLING IN TAOR, CUM
 RESULTS: FRD: 0 KIA, 3 WIA, 0 MIA; VC: 3 KIA, 2 VCC, 0 VCS,

0 IWPB, 0C/S WPN. 7 AIR SORTIES SPTD. NGF 0. CPTR: 1600 LBS
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OPERATION HASTING - SPOT REPORT

1. CONCEPT
OPERATION HASTINGS WILL BE CONTINUED ON AN EXPANDED SCALE. TASK FORCE DELTA, COMMAND HEADQUARTERS WILL BE LOCATED AT CAM LO. MARINE UNITS WILL OPERATE IN ZONE B, DELINEATED AS FORTYPS: WEST ALONG RTE 9 FROM CAM LO TO GRID LINE 00, THEN NORTH ON GRID LINE 00 TO SOUTHERN BOUNDARY OF DMZ, ALONG THE TRACE OF THE DMZ TO A LINE FROM COORDINATES GYD 116382) 1 59 (YD 117597) TO (YD 079692). ARVN UNITS WILL OPERATE IN ZONE A, THAT AREA EAST OF AND ADJACENT TO ZONE B, BOUNDED ON THE SOUTH GENERALLY BY THE SONG CAM LO, HIGHWAY NR 21 ON THE EAST, AND THE DMZ ON THE NORTH. ARVN AIRBORNE TASK FORCE WILL OPERATE IN ZONE C, AND AREA LOCATED SOUTH OF ZONE B, EAST OF HIGHWAY 9 AND TO THE NORTH OF SONG QUANG TRI THE EASTERN BOUNDARY, GENERALLY ALONG 08 GRID LINE 55 21850 THEN GENERALLY SOUTH-EAST TO VIC (YD 125445) THEN SOUTH TO SONG QUANG TRI. THE COMMAND HEADQUARTERS AND ARTILLERY UNITS WILL BE LOCATED AT CAM LO. THE LOGISTICS AREA LOCATED AT DONG HA WITH ONE INFANTRY COMPANY AS SECURITY FORCE.

2. TASK ORGANIZATION
TASK FORCE DELTA-COMMAND HEADQUARTERS
4TH MARINES (REINF)
2D BN, 1ST MARINES
2D BC, 4TH MARINES
3D BN, 4TH MARINES
3D BN, 12TH MARINES (-) (REINF)
(1ST MARINES AND 2 DESIGNATED BNS AVAILABLE FOR EXPLOITATION)

3. EXECUTION
A. COMMENCING 15 JULY TASK FORCE DELTA INITIATES S&D OPERATIONS BY LANDING 3/4 IN VIC (YD 0364) TO SEARCH FOR CP OF 324TH DIV. REPORTED TO BE LOCATED VIC (YD 0564). 2/4 LANDS INF VIC (YD 0866) SUBSEQUENTLY AND CONDUCTS S&D OPERATIONS TO SOUTHWEST BZ 2/1(-) REMDWS I RESERVE AT CAM LO TO REACT EITHER BY HELO-LIFT OR OVEGUAND AS DIRECTED.
B. TWO ARVN INFANTRY BATTALIONS PLUS ONE APC COMPANY WILL

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CONDUCT OPERATIONS IN ZONE A. THREE AIRBORNE ARVN BATTALIONS WILL CONDUCT OPERATIONS IN ZONE C. ARVN OPERATION DESIGNATED LAM SON 289.

C. THREE PREPLANNED DESIGNATED ARC LIGHT STRIKES WILL BE EXECUTED PRIOR TO COMMENCING S&D OPERATIONS

3. 1ST MARINES PLUS TWO DESIGNATED BATTALIONS WILL BE USED FOR AN EXPLOITATION FORCE IF SITUATION DEVELOPS.

E. IN CONJUNCTION WITH HASTINGS AND CLOSELY COORDINATEE, THE SLF WILL LAND TENTATIVELY ON 16 JULY AM AN AOA DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: SROH VIC (YD 2877) ALONG SOUTHERN BOUNDARY DMZ TO RTE NR 1 AND THENCE SOUTH ALONG RTE NR 1 TO GRIE LINE 63 AND THEN DUE EAST TO THE SEA. THE SEAWARD AOA EXTENDS GENERALLY 25 NM RADIUS FROM (YD 3470) BUT MODIFIED IN NORTH BY DMZ LINE. THE AIRSPACE EXTENDS TO 25,000 FT. THE PROPOSED LANDING BEACH IS LOCATED FROM (YD 342703) TO (YD 305740) PROPOSED HELO-LANDING ZONES AT (YD 292701) AND (YD 293693). AMPHIBION OPERATION HAS BEEN DESIGNATED AS DECKHOUSE II

DURATION:

ESTIMATED MINIMUM DURATION: 7-10 DAYS

5. RELATED SUBJECT: OPERATION SOUTH CAROLINA IS CODE NAME ASSIGNED BY

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MACV TO A CONTINGENCY PLAN WHICH CALLS FOR MOVING ONE US MARINE DIVISION

NORTH OF HAI VAN. IT COULD BE A FOLLOW-ON TO HASTINGS. WE ARE MODIFY-
INF III MAF OPLAN 113-66 TO DO THE JOB WITH OR WITHOUT ARMY BRIGADE AND
WITH THIRD MARDIV RATHER THAN 1ST MARDIV.

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Subj: Update on Hastings

Source: Major FLYNN, FMFPac CC

Following reported received on subject operation as of 151800H.

1. 2/4 is located in the vicinity of YD 0646657 and continues to move West Northwest through extremely heavy vegetation.
2. 3/4 is located in the vicinity of YD 0464. 3/4 reported receiving fire from North, West and East of position. Artillery and air responded. Results are unknown.
3. At 151455H 1/3 closed DONG HA.
4. Casualties:

VC	USMC
30 KIA	6 KIA
23 KIA (PROB)	18 WIA
5. H hour for Deck House II 160600H.

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1. (C) I CTZ.

A. HASTINGS/LAM SON 289 CONT W LIGHT CONTACT. 1/3 CONT PROVIDE SECURITY FOR TF DELTA CP AND 3/12. 2/1 CONT MSN AS TF RESERVE. 3/4 REMAINED IN BLOCKING PSN AS 2/4 MOVED THROUGH EXTREMELY HVY VEGETATION IN S/D OPN. AT 151010H K/3/4 DISCOVERED 57 CASES 7.62MM AND 183 ROUNDS 81MM AT YD037643. LAM SON 289 REPORTED NEGATIVE CONTACT. CUM RESULTS AS OF 152100H: USMC: 6 KIA, 18 WIA; VC: 30 KIA, 7 I WPNS

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CPIRD. A TOTAL OF FIVE CH-46S AND ONE F-4B WERE DOWNED DURING OPERATIONS ON 15 JULY.

2. (C) II CTZ.

A. OPN HENRY CLAY CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT. 1/7 CAV CLOSED AN KHE (BR4844) 151850H.

B. OPN BEAUREGARD CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT. ELEMENTS OF 1ST BDE, 101ST ABN DIV COMMENCED AIRLIFT FROM DAK TO TUY HOA ON 15 JULY. COMPLETE UNIT SCHEDULED TO CLOSE TUY HOA O/A 20 JULY.

3. (C) III CTZ.

A. II FFV REPORTS: IN BINH DUONG PROV 5 KM SE BEN CAT (XT780250) AT 151555H ELEMENTS 2/8 INF ARVN WERE AMBUSHED BY VC FORCE (SIZE UNK). UNIT WAS RETURNING TO HOME STATION (DISMOUNTED) AFTER COMPLETING ROAD OPENING OPN. 2 LT HELD FIRE TEAMS AND ARTY SPTED. RESULTS: FRD: 27 KIA, 22 WIA, 6 MIA, EQUIPMENT LOST: 31 I WPNS, 7 M79, ONE 60MM MORT, 1 30 CAL MG, 25 PRC-10 RADIOS; VC: UNK. REACTION FORCE WAS DISPATCHED W/NEG RESULTS.

4. (U) IV CTZ. NO SIGNIFICANT TAC ACT REPTD.

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RECONNAISSANCE OPERATION 25 MILES WEST SOUTHWEST
OF CHU LAI, TERMINATED AT 1800H, 14 JULY. FIFTEEN VC
WERE KILLED AND FOUR CAPTURED DURING THE NINE DAY
OPERATION.

(2) IN THE DONG HA AND CAM LO AREA
SOUTH OF THE DMZ, HEAVY CONTACT HAS BEEN REPORTED
AS OPERATION HASTINGS COMMENCED ON AN EXPANDED
SCALE EARLY ON 15 JULY. THE 2D BN, 4TH MARINES
COMPLETED THEIR HELICOPTER ASSAULT LANDING IN LZ'S
FIVE MILES NORTH-NORTHWEST OF CAM LO (D 0 06) ABOUT
0535H, AND COMMENCED AN ATTACK TO THE WEST THROUGH
EXTREMELY HEAVY VEGETATION. LATER, AT 1720H, THE
3D BN, 4TH MARINES LANDED AND ESTABLISHED BLOCKING-
POSITIONS IN AN AREA SEVEN MILES NW OF CAM LO AND
5,000 METERS WEST OF P/A. AT 1815, 3/A RECEIVED FIRE
FROM THE EAST AND NORTHWEST; ARTILLERY MISSIONS
AND AIR STRIKES WERE CONDUCTED ON THE ENEMY
POSITIONS WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. LATER, ABOUT 1810H,
TWO COMPANIES OF 3/A RECEIVED HEAVY SMALL CALIBER
FIRE WHILE SEARCHING FOR SURVIVORS OF A HELICOPTER DOWNED

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IN THE AREA. SMALL ARMS, MORTAR AND ARTILLERY FIRE
WAS DIRECTED AT THE SUSPECTED VC POSITIONS, AND
THE EXCHANGE OF FIRE LASTED UNTIL APPROXIMATELY
2230H. CONFIRMED ENEMY CASUALTIES FOR THE OPERATION
ARE 18 VC KILLED, WHILE MARINES HAVE SUSTAINED SIX
KILLED AND 18 WOUNDED.

INITIAL REPORTS STATE THAT AIRCRAFT ROBBER
HAVE BEEN HEAVY ON THE 15TH. ONE CH-46 LIFTING 3/A
TROOPS FROM DONG HA OVERSHOT THE LZ AND HIT SOME
TREES, SUSTAINING SERIOUS DAMAGE. NO PERSONNEL
LOSSES WERE REPORTED IN THIS ACCIDENT. ALSO IN THE
SAME AREA, ONE CH-46 WAS IN THE LZ AND WHEN A SECOND
ATTEMPTED TO LAND BESIDE IT, THE ROTOR BLADES
DISINTEGRATED WHEN THEY TOUCHED SOME AIR-BY-BY BARBED
PIECES OF THE ROTOR FELL INTO THE LZ AND THE
BLADES CAUSING THEM ALL TO GO AWAY. BOTH HELICOPTERS
THEN BROKE IN HALF IN SEPARATION. TWO MARINES WERE
KILLED AND SEVEN WOUNDED IN THIS INCIDENT. A LITTLE
LATER AN F4B CONDUCTED A MISSION IN THE AREA WHICH
WENT INTO FLAMES FOLLOWING A SHORTLY AFTER AND THE

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AREA "A"
TASK FORCE 11: OBJ A11 YD 140730, TO OBJ A12 YD 110680
OBJ A13 YD 132621.
TASK FORCE 12: (S9?) -21 YD 182700, TO OBJ A22 YD 161680, 0
OBJ A23 YD 162640.

AREA "C".
ABN TF LZ YD 094516 TF MOVED TO FOLLOWING LOCATION FOR NIGHT
OF 15-16 JULY. 2ND ABN BN YD 125488 6TH ABN BN YD 130490
8TH AABN BN AND TF CP YD 124490.

MANEUVER PLAN OBJ 1-YD 064504, OBJ 2-YD 058501, OBJ 3-YD 057
495, OBJ 4-YD 047498, OBJ 5-YD 037508, OBJ 6-YD 023513, OBJ 7-YD 016
526, OBJ 8-YD 015537, OBJ A-YD 074503, OBJ B-YD 065488, OBJ C-YD
052482, OBJ E- YD 038498, OBJ F-YD 033493, OBJ J-YD 023497, OBJ K-
YD 015509, OBJ L-YD 007526, OBJ M-XD 995534, OBJ N-XD 998548, OBJ
P-YD 019548, OBJ Q-YD 033550, OBJ R-YD 041550, OBJ T-YD 005554,
OBJ U-YD 023558

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III MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY 196-66, 142400H-152400H
JULY 1966

1. OPERATIONS.
(A) OPN MACON. 9TH MAR CONTINUED S&D OPN IN QUANG
NAM PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT AT 151120H RECON PTL 3D-2 CALLED
ARTY NSN ON 5 VC VIC (AT 961470), 2 VC WIA (CONF), 1 KIA (PROB)

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AT 151945H CO 73/9 OBS 1 VC VIC (AT 913494), TK FIRED 1 RD
90MM, 1 VC KIA, US LOSSES: 8 KIA, 35 WIA
ENEMY LOSSES: 170 KIA (115 GRD, 55 KBA)
342 KIA (PROB), 25 VCS, 1VCC

(B) OPN HASTING. RECON PTL 6F-2 WAS INSERTED (XD 973610).
PTL STARTED TO MOVE OUT BUT SUSPECTED THEIR INSERTION TO BE COM-
PROMISED, DUE TO NOISES HEARD FROM AROUND THEM. REQUESTED HELS
TO RETURN AND WERE EXTRACTED WITHOUT INCIDENT AT 150700H
FROM PLACE OF INSERTION. RECON PTL 1F-2 AT 150745H ATTEMP-
TED INSERTION VIC (YD 012606) BUT WERE UNABLE TO INSERT BE-
CAUSE 3 VC WITH A RADIO WERE OCCUPYING LZ, PTL FLEW TO VIC (YD
025600) WHERE THEY WERE INSERTED, PTL OBS 1 VC 100 METERS TO
REAR, IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER PTL OBS 1 GROUP OF 8 VC AND 1
GROUP OF 6 VC SOUTH OF PSN, ALL VC WERE ARMED, VC FIRED ON
PTL BUT INFLECTED NO CASUALTIES, PTL REQUESTED EXTRACTION;
EXTRACTED AT 150840H VIC (YD 024500). AT 150800H 3/4
MAR BEGAN LANDING BY HEL IN LZ VIC (YD 038649) AND MOVED WEST
TO SECURE HIGH GROUND. DURING THE LANDING 3 CH-46 ACFT WERE
LOST, 1 ACFT OVERSHOT LZ AND LANDED IN TREES, 2 OTHERS BROKE
IN HALF WHEN ROTORS BECAME ENTANGLED IN LZ. THE FINAL WAVE OF

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LANDING RECEIVED SA IN LZ, 1 ACFT RECEIVED HIT IN FUS-
ELAGE, KILLING 10 PASSENGER. RESULTS OF LANDING, 3 USMC KIA,
7 WIA. AT 150935H 2/4 MAR BEGAN LANDING BY HEL IN LZ VIC (YD
033658) WITH NO CONTACT. AT 151025H 1/3 MAR ENTERED OPERATION
AND CAME UNDER CONTROL OF TASK FORCE DELTA. AT 150800H FORCE
RECON TEAM VIC (YD 082485) KILLED 3 OF 5 VC, CPTD 3 WPNS, 2
PACKS, 1 MAP, 4 GREN, DOCUMENTS INDICATING 812 NVA IS IN
AREUM AT 150800H ELEM OF 3/4 IN LZ VIC (YD 038649) FOUND
RCC KIA AND 1 VC WIA WHO LATER DOW, 2 VC KIA. AT 150935H K/3/4
OBS 1 ON TRAIL, FIRED SA, 1 VC KIA, 1 CHCOM CARBINE. AT
151015H CO K/3/4 DEST CACHE 57 CASES 7, 62 AND 183 RDS 81MM VIC
(YD 037643). AT 151030H CO I/3/4 OBS 12 VC VIC (YD 037655)
FIRED SA, 2 VC KIA, 2 USMC WIA (MED EVAC), 1 CHCOM CARBINE,
1 PISTOL, 10 PACKS WITH INDIVIDUAL EQUIPMENT. AT 151215H CO
K/3/4 ENCOUNTERED 15 VC VIC (YD 036638), FIRED SA, 2 USMC KIA,
2 WIA (MED EVAC) 2 VC KIA, 1 CARBINE, 2 GREN. AT 151805H VIC
3/4 CP (YD 037655), 1 HEL HIT BY AW FIRE, CRASHED AND BURNED,
WHILE SEARCHING FOR SURVIVORS CO I/3/4 CAME UNDER HEAVY FIRE
FROM VC WITH LARGE AMOUNT OF AW, RETD SA FIRE, CALLED IN 81MM
AND ARTY, WITH UNK RESULTS. 2 USMC KIA, 5 WIA (MED EVAC). AT

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151840H AD SPOTTED 12 VC IN OPEN VIC (YD 050653), CALLED IN
ARTY, 6 VC KIA (CONF). AT 151920H CO D/1/3 SQD PTL VIC (YD
031611) ENCOUNTERED 24 VC, FIRED SA, 2 VC KIA, ONE 60MM MORT
AND 11 RDS CAPTURED.

~~(C) SIGNIFICANT CONTACT. AT AT 150200H CO
M/3/7 MAR PSN VIC (BS 574923) RECD ATTACK BY 75 VC THAT BEGAN
WITH 60MM MORTAR BARRAGE ON SE PORTION OS PSN, THEN SHIFTED
TO CENTER OF PSN ON TOP OF TIEN DAC HILL. DURING INITIAL
BARRAGE, 1ST PLAT CP IN SE OF CO PSN RECD DIRECT HITS. HEAVY
MORTAR FIRE CONT AS VC OPENED FIRE WITH LARGE VOL OF SA/AW
FIRE AND ASSULTED 1ST PLAT DEF PSN AND WERE KILLED OR DRIVEN
OUT IN HAND TO HAND FIGHTING. VC WERE EQUIPPED WITH AT LEAST
2 CAL. .30 BSB, BARS, AND ONE 57RR. CO M RETURNED FIRE WITH
ALL WPNS INCLUDING ARTY AND 76RR. AT 150600H 20 MAN PLAT
OF H&S CO DEPARTED BN CP BY LVT TO ESTABLISH BLKG PSN VIC (BS
583927). AT 150635H, CO L VIC (BS 565916) RECD 1 RD 81MM
MORTAR AND 30 RDS SA FROM EST VC SQD. RETD 100 RDSSA, 6 RDS
M-79, 2 RIFLE GREN, 60MM MORT~~

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ND CALLED IN UH-0E GUNSHIP.
AT 150630H CO E/2/7 CHOPPED TO 3/7 AND COMMENCED HELI LIFT TO
VIC (BS 558893) TO SWEEP EAST. CO E HAD NO CONTACT DURING
DAY, BUT FOUND 1 VC KIA VIC (BS 574910), ANOTHER VC KIA AND

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Subj: Opn Macon and Hastings Casualties

Source: Major PEELER, NMCC

1. Major PEELER, NMCC, confirmed casualties reported in
 MACVCC 160501Z to be as follows:

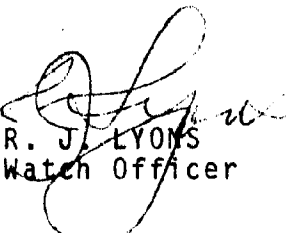
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	USMC	VC
KIA	8	170
WIA	38	
VCC		1
VCS		25

OPERATION HASTINGS/LAM SON 289

	USMC	ARVN	VC
KIA	6	2	31
WIA	20		

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Subj: Opn Hastings/Deck House II Info

Source: Major RUDY, FMFPAC CC

1. FMFPAC CC reported the following as of 161615H:

a. Opn Hastings Casualties

	USMC	VC
KIA	19	30
KIA (PROB)		23
WIA	20	

Unconfirmed report of 2 or 3 USMC MIA.

b. Opn Deck House II - Light contact reported.

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1. (C) I CTZ:

A. OPN HASTINGS CONTINUES W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED. AT 151315H A CH-46 WAS HIT BY GROUND FIRE AND WAS DOWNED VIC YD057655. RESULTS: 13 USMC KIA, 3MIA . 3/4 USMC WILL SEARCH ARC LIGHT STRIKE QUICK PUNCH#3. QUICK PUNCH #1 WILL BE COVERED BY AERIAL OBSERVATION. QUICK PUNCH #4 IS SCHEDULED TO BE COVERED BY THE ARVN ABN TF OPERATION IN ZONE C. CUMULATIVE RESULTS:FRD: 19 USMC KIA(INCLUDES 13 KIA FROM CH-46 CRASH , 20

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WIA, 3 MIA (FROM CH-46 CRASH . VC: 31 KIA (US BC), 1 VCC, 7
IMPNS. 64 AIR SORTIES SUPPORTED. NONNES

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CONTACT REPORTED.

2. (C) II CTZ:

A. BINH THUAN PROV AT 160210H JUL AN EST VC BN ATK A RE CO DEFENDING PHU HOI WATERWORKS LOCATED APPROX 5KM NW OF PHAM THIET. FLARESHIP SPT OPN; REACTION FORCE REACHED DEFENDING CO AT 0405H. CONTACT BROKEN 0530H. RESULTS:FRD LOSSES: 9 KIA, 12 WIA , 6 MIA, 12 IND WPNS, 5 RADIOS, VC UNK. AT 160215H JUL IN THE SAME PROV, 2/44 REGT (ARVN) REC'D APPROX 20RDS 81MM MORT APPROX 1KM W OF PHAM THIET. RESULT: FRD: 4 KIA, 9 WIA.

B. ALL MAJOR OPNS CONTINUE WITHOUT SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED OR CHANGE IN MISSION SINCE MY 160713Z JUL.

3. (C) II CTZ:

A. REFERENCE AMBUSH OF ELEMENTS OF ARVN1/8 INF (MY 152209Z, CORRECTED RESULTS ARE: ARVN: 37 KIA, 22 WIA, 21 MIA; EQUIPMENT LOST: 48 IND WPNS, 1 LMG ONE(1) 60MM MORTAR, AND 5 PRC-10 RADIOS VC CASUALTIES UNK.

B. REFERENCE PN PRISBANE (MY 160201Z), CONCEPT OF OPETATION IS A SERIES OF EAGLE FLIGHTS, SATURATION PATROLS, AND

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AMBUSHES TO LOCATE AND DESTROY VC FORCES IN AO. 1-2 OF COMPANY AND UNIDENTIFIED VC BN, STRENGTH UNK, IN AREA.

C. ALL OPNS CONTINUES W/O SIGNIFICANT TACTICAL CHANGE REPORTED SINCE MY 160713Z JULY.

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1. I CTZ: OP HA/STINGS/LAM SON 259 CONT WITH SCATTERED CONTACT. REF MY 161216Z PARA 1A 3 USMC MIA NOW CONFIRMED. ARVN ARTY MISSIONS VIC XD9957 AT 161900H RES 28 VC KIA (BC). 2/1 USMC REC INCOMING 90 RDS MORT AT 162053H. ARTY RESPONDED AND VC FIRE CEASED 162059H. 2/4 LINKED UP WITH 3/4. PRES LOC USMC: 2/4 - YD033647, 3/4 - YD040649, 2/1 - YD064660; ARVN: 1BN TF, 2D ABN BN, 6TH ABN BN - YD 106490, 8TH ABN BN - YD108460, 2/1 - YD161721, 1/1 AND 3/7 (APC) - YD139729. CUM RES: FRO: USMC:

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32 KIA, 52 WIA; ARVN: 3 KIA, 6 WIA; VC: 93 KIA, 1 VCC, 11 IND WPNS, 1 C/S WPN. 87 AIR SORTIES HAVE SUPPORTED. NO NGF.

2. II CTZ: OP HENRY CLAY. AT 161545H, 9/1/69 CAV SEIZED VC WEAPONS CACHE VIC BQ309517. RESULTS: 70 ASSORTED SMALL ARMS (TYPE UNK), M-1903 RIFLES, 2 CHICOM RIFLES, 4 MG'S, 3 M-1 RIFLE RECEIVER GROUPS, 4 - 30 CAL MG BARRELS, 2 MORTAR SIGHTS, ASSORTED MACHINE TOOLS, 1 LATHE. NO NGF.

3. III CTZ: OP BRISBANE CONT NO CONTACT. ENEMY OP SUSPECTED TO BE ONLY LOCAL GUERRILLA. NO NGF.

4. IV CTZ: NO SIGNIFICANT TAC ACTV.

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LOCAL INHABITANTS WERE PROCESSED FOR ID CARDS AND SHOWN BEIFITS THAT COME FROM THE GOVERNMENT THROUGH THE DISTRIBUTION OF CLOTHING, FOOD, AND SOAP.

TWO OTHER SIMILAR OPERATIONS ARE UNDERWAY. AT 150500H ELEMENTS OF THE ST BN, 9TH MARINES BEGAN THAT REGIMEN'S TWENTY-FIRST COUNTY FAIR AT LE SON (3), ABOUT 7 MILES SOUTH OF DANANG. BY 151200H THE OPERATI
CHAD YIELDED 4 GUERRILLAS KIA,
4 CAPTURED ALONG WITH 3 INDIVIDUAL WEAPONS. IN ADDITION TO THESE MILITARY DIVIDENDS, 50 CIVILIANS WERE PROCESSED, FED, AND GIVEN INDOCTRINATION IN GVN PROGRAMS.

TWO AND A HALF MILES NORTHWEST PHUOC NHINH (1) THE 3D MARINES COMMENCED THE THIRD COUNTY FAIR AT 160500. RESULTS OF THIS OPERATION ARE NOT YET AVAILABLE.

3. OPERATION HASTINGS

JUST SOUTH OF THE DMZ, MARINE AND ARVN FORCES CONTINUE THE SEARCH FOR THE 324TH "B" NVA

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DIVISION. THUS FAR, NO MAJOR CONTACTS HAVE DEVELOPED, BUT SEVERAL SHARP EXCHANGES OF FIRE COMBINED WITH CONTINUING INTELLIGENCE REPORTS POINT TOWARD THE PRESENCE OF LARGE ENEMY FORCES. (PARAGRAPH 3.E. GIVES INTELLIGENCE REPORTS CONCERNING VC UNITS IN THE AREA.) PRESENT ESTIMATES PLACE THE 324TH "B" NVA DIV HQ (STRENGTH UNKNOWN) AT (YD 0762) ABOUT 10 MILES WEST OF DONG HA. THE THREE INFANTRY REGIMENTS OF THE DIVISION ARE BELIEVED TO BE IN THE SAME GENERAL LOCALE; THE 803 D (1500 MEN) AT (YD 08 70 - YD 1238), THE 812TH (1500 MEN) AT (YD 0251) AND THE 90TH (1500 MEN) AT (YD 0364).

TO SEEK OUT AND DESTROY THESE FORCES MARINES PRESENTLY HAVE 6 INFANTRY BATTALIONS IN IN QUANG TRI. THREE OF THESE, THE 2D BN, 1ST MAR, 2D BN, 4TH MAR, AND 3D BN, 4TH MAR ARE MOVING THROUGH THE MOUNTAINOUS JUNGLE TERRAIN SEARCHING FOR THE ENEMY. AS MENTIONED ON 15 JULY, THE 2D AND 3D BNS, 4TH MAR WERE INITIALLY HELILIFTED INTO LZ'S LOCATED 5 TO 7 MILES NORTHWEST OF CAM LO (YD 0866) ON THE

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MORNING OF 15 JULY. THE 2D BN, 1 MAR, WAS THE FIRST UNIT TO TAKE PART IN HOSTILITIES, HAVING ARRIVED FROM PHU BAI ON 7 JULY. IN ADDITION TO THESE THREE BATTALIONS, THE 1ST BN, 3D MAR CLOSED DONG HA AT 151455H. IT NOW HAS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF PROVIDING SECURITY FOR THE DONG HA COMPLEX. BY 161600H THE COMMAND GROUP OF THE 1ST BN, 1ST MAR AND COMPANIES C & D HAD ARRIVED AT DONG HA, READY TO EXPLOIT ANY ENEMY CONTACT. THE SIXTH MARINE BATTALION COMMITTED, BLT 3/5, CAME ASHORE BY LANDING CRAFT AND HELICOPTERS FROM THE AMPHIBIOUS READY GROUP SHIPPING ABOUT 8 MILES NORTH EAST OF DONG HA. IT ALSO IS PREPARED TO EXPLOIT ANY SIGNIFICANT CONTACT. (SEE BELOW FOR DETAILS OF THIS LANDING.)

ALTHOUGH MAJOR CONTACT HAS NOT OCCURRED, SEVERAL SMALLER ENGAGEMENTS HAVE ACCOUNTED FOR A TOTAL OF 61 VC KIA AS OF 161700H. MARINE CASUALTIES THROUGH THIS PERIOD HAVE BEEN 18 KIA AND 32 WIA. (FOR FURTHER DETAILS SEE PARAGRAPH 3).

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IN NEARLY PERFECT WEATHER AND SEA CONDITIONS THE FIRST ELEMENTS OF THE 2,000 MAN SPECIAL LANDING FORCE (BLT 3/5 AND HMM-363) BEGAN LANDING BY SURFACE CRAFT AND HELICOPTERS AT 160630H JUST NORTH OF THE SONG THACH HAN, ABOUT 8 MILES NORTHEAST OF DONG HA. ON THE PREVIOUS DAY, THE AMPHIBIOUS READY GROUP SHIPPING, THE USS PRINCETON (LPH-5), USS ALAMO (LSD-33), USS PICKAWAY (APA-222), USS COOK (ATF-130), USS LOFFBERG (DD-759) AND THE USS WHITE RIVER (LSMR-536) HAD SAILED FROM DANANG UNDER RADIO SILENCE AND DARKENED SHIP, ARRIVING OFF THE MOUTH OF THE SONG THACH HAN AT 160330H. THE HIGH SPEED TRANSPORT, COOK, THEN CONDUCTED A PRE-DAWN COASTAL RECON AND SURVEY OF LANDING BEACH BLUE, CENTERED AT (YD 320727), AND TOOK STATION TO SCREEN THE APPROACH OF THE REMAINDER OF THE TASK FORCE. FOUR MILES OFF SHORE, THE USS OKLAHOMA CITY (CLG-5) STOOD BY TO PROVIDE FIRE SUPPORT WITH HER 6 INCH GUNS. ALL SHIPS WERE IN POSITION BY 0500H AND THE LANDING WAS CONDUCTED EXACTLY ON SCHEDULE. THE AMPHIBIOUS OBJECTIVE AREA FOR DECKHOUSE II

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OPERATION HASTINGS INCLUDES WRAP-UP OF INITIAL REPORTS OF

(A) THE THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES BEGAN LANDING HELICOPTERS AT 150500H IN LANDING ZONES (YD 038 649) SEVEN MILES NORTHWEST OF HUE PHU BAI, AND WENT WEST TO SECURE THE HIGH GROUND. DURING THE LANDING, THREE CH-46 HELOS WERE LOST; ONE OVERSHOT THE LANDING ZONE AND LANDED IN THE TREES, TWO OTHERS BROKE IN HALF WHEN THEIR ROTORS BECAME ENTANGLED AND DISINTEGRATED IN THE LANDING ZONE. THE FINAL WAVE OF THE HELO LANDING RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE IN THE LANDING ZONE. ONE HELICOPTER WAS HIT IN THE FUSELAGE, KILLING ONE PASSENGER. IN ALL THREE MARINES WERE KIA AND SEVEN WIA DURING THE PHASE OF THE HELO ASSAULT LANDING. AT 0800H, ELEMENTS OF THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES NEAR THE LANDING ZONE FOUND ONE VC KIA, AND ONE VC WIA (LATER DIED). AT 0930H, CO K THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES REPORTED ONE VC KIA, AND THE CAPTURE OF ONE CHI COM CARBINE. AT 1015H, CO K, DESTROYED A CACHE OF FIFTY-SEVEN CASES OF 7.62 AMMO AND 133 ROUNDS OF 81MM (YD 037 643), SIXTY-THREE MILES

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NORTHWEST OF HUE PHU BAI. AT PEPH, CO I, THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES OBSERVED TWELVE VC IN THE SAMRE COMPANY TOOK THEM UNDER FIRE, KILLING TWO VC AND CAPTURING ONE CHI COM CARBINE, ONE PISTOL AND TEN PACKS WITH INDIVIDUAL EQUIPMENT. TWO USMC WERE WIA. AT 1130H CO I THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES FIRED ON ONE VC WEARING A GREEN UNIFORM WALKING UP A STREAM BED PATH. THE VC WAS KILLED, AND ONE CHI COM CARBINE, THREE STICK GRENADES AND 220 ROUNDS OF 7.62 AMMO WERE RECOVERED. AT 1215H, CO K THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES ENCOUNTERED FIFTEEN VC (YD 036 638). IN THE INSUING FIRE FIGHT TWO MARINES KIA AND TWO WIA; TWO VC WERE KIA WHILE ONE CARBINE AND TWO GRENADES WERE CAPTURED. AT 1630H CO I THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY TWENTY ROUNDS OF 82MM MORTAR FIRE (YD 040 636). AN AERIAL OVSERVER OBSERVED ABOUT TWENTY-FIVE VC IN THE OPEN WEARING LONG SLEEVED BROWN UNIFORMS AND CARRYING TWO MORTAR TUBES. AIR STRIKES WERE CALLED AND CO K REPORTED TWENTY-FIVE VC KIA, PLUS ONE VC CAPTURED.
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1. (C) I CTZ:

- A. OPN MAGON CONT WITH LIGHT CONTACT.
- B. OPN HASTINGS/LAM SON 289 AT 162000H K/3/4 WAS ENGAGED WITH AN EST 100VC. CONTACT TERM AT 170300H. RESULTS: USMC: 1 KIA, 5 WIA; VC: 35 KIA. NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED SINCE.
- C. CUMULATIVE RESULTS:

	FRIENDLY
MAGON	HASTINGS/LAM SON 289

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	USMC		USMC/ARVN
KIA	8		29/3
WIA	38		61/6
		VIET CONG	
KIA	172		128
VCC	1		1
VCS	25		0
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SORTIES	22		124
NGF	0		NA/NA

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D. DECK HOUSE II: OPN DECK HOUSE II CONTINUES W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPT. LATEST LOC BLT 3/5 YD307727. CUM RESULTS: NEG FRD CAS, 3 VC KIA.

2. (C) II CTZ:

- A. ALL MAJOR OPERATIONS CONTINUE W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT.
- B. OPN HENRY CLAY EFF 184400H JUL AD IS YV8490 - BQ2590 - RIVER - BQ5056 - BQ5020 - BQ1020 - BQ1010 - YV7510 - CAM-BORDER.
- C. CUM RESULTS OF OPERATIONS IN PROGRESS FOLLOWS:

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ZEN/CG FIELD FORCE TWO BIEH HOA RVN
ZEN/CG ROK FV
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ZEN/CG THIRD MARDIV
ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV
ZEN/CG I CORPS ADV GP
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III MAF DAILY SITREP NR. 197, 162400H-162400H JULY 1966
1. OPN SUMMARY
a. GENERAL

(1) 1600-1900, 9TH MAR CONTINUED S&D OPN IN QUANG
NAM PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 161130H CO D 1/3D MAR (AT
915591) DETONATED BOOBY TRAPPED CHICOM GRENADE, 3 USMC WIA (MED
EVAC). AT 161200H RECON OF VIC (BT 993462) OBS 4 VC VIC AT
995434, CALLED ARTY MS, 2 VC KIA.

(2) OPN HASTING. 4THMFA CONTINUED OPN IN QUANG
TRI PROVINCE WITH MODERATE CONTACT. AT 161300H TASK FORCE
DELTA ASSUMED OPON 1/1ST MAR. AT 151930H CO D 1/3D MAR PTL
VIC (YD 132608) BUSHED GROUP OF VC, FIRE FIGHT ENSUED IN
WHICH MARINES RECEIVED 3 ROK 60MM, 3 VC KIA, ONE COMM MORTAR,
5 COMM RDS CAPTURED, 2 USMC WIA (MED EVAC). AT 160730H ARMY ADVISORS RE

PORTED VILLAGERS VIC (YD 0749) FORCED TO DUG GRAVES FOR MANY
DEAD VC, BELLS BATH CAUSED BY ARC LIGHT OF 15TH AT 160800H

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G/2/4TH MAR VIC (YD 056698) OBS 2 VC, FIRED SA, 2 VC KIA, 1
SMG, 1 AW MOUNT. AT 160830H K/3/4TH MAR VIC (YD 0364) CALLED
ARTY AND AIR ON CONCENTRATION OF VC, 25 VC KIA, 1 VCC. AT
160900H CO I/2/4 VIC (YD 056698) LOCATED VC HARBORING SITE,
FIRED 20 RDS SA, 2 VC KIA, 1 CAL .50 MG, 2 RIFLES, 20 GRENS.
AT 160930H 75 VC OPENED FIRE ON K/3/4TH MAR FROM ALL SIDES,
RETURNED SA FIRE, GRENS, AND M-79 RDS; 25 VC KIA; 7 CHICOM
AR, 2 LMG, 2 CARBINES, AND MED

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3 GN,
4 GRENS, 1 AW MOUNT, AND 732 GEAR. AT 161130H I/3/4TH MAR OBS
1 VC MOVING UP STCAW BED, FIRED SA, RESULTING IN 1 VC KIA, 1 CHICOM CAR

BINE, 3 GREN, 200 RDS 7.62 AMMO. AT 161340H L/3/4TH MAR VIC
(YD 039654) FOUND 24 AT MINES, 12 GRENS, 72 BLASTING CAPS, 3
BARRELS OF WEB GEAR, 1000 RDS SA. AT 161345H G/2/4TH MAR VIC
(YD 040652) FOUND ONE 7.62 CARBINE, 1 CHICOM MAR, 35 BOXES OF
8.7MM. AT 161500H VIC (YD 037692) CO L/3/4TH MAR OBS GROUP
OF VC, FIRED SA, 800M, AND M-79, 1 VC KIA. AT 161530H CO
G/2/4TH MAR OBS 2 VC HARBORING AMMO VIC (YD 054695), FIRED 10
RDS SA, 1 VC KIA, 2 BOXES 20MM AMMO RECOVERED. BETWEEN

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161808H AND 161910H 2 ARTY MSNG CALLED ON VC VIC (XD 996564)
AND VIC (XD 997563), 28 VC KIA.

B. PLANS SUMMARY

(1) OPN MACON. 9TH MAR CONTINUES S&D ON IN QUANG
NAM PROVINCE.

(2) OPN HASTINGS. 4TH MAR CONTINUES OPI IN QUANG
TRI PROVINCE.

C. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) MACON. US LOSSES: 8 KIA, 38 WIA
ENEMY LOSSES: 172 KIA (117 GRD, 55 KBAR)
25 VCS, 1 VCC

CUM TAC AIRSTRIKE SORTIES: 22

CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUN FIRE: NONE

(2) HASTINGS. US LOSSES: 28 KIA, 56 WIA (13 OF 16
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3 MIA (PRESUMED DEAD)

ENEMY LOSSES: 93 KIA, 27 WPNS, 1 VCC

CUM TAC AIRSTRIKE SORTIES: 124

CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUN FIRE: NONE

D. FRIENDLY INITIATED SMALL UNIT CONTACTS: 18

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PROV/COORD DTG	FRE UNIT/LOSSES	EN UNIT/LOSSES	TYPE ACTION
QUANG BINH			
BT 383093 161530H (D)	A/1/5/NONE	UNK/2 KIA/1 VCC	PTL
BT 324087 162100H (N)	L/4/11/NONE	UNK/UNK	ARTY FM
BT 450076 160600H (D)	G&H/2/5/NONE	UNK/16 VCS	S&D
BT 371062 161130H (D)	D/1/ST REC/NONE	UNK/NONE	CP
BT 375131 161328H (D)	S/1/5/NONE	UNK/4 VCS	S&D
QUANG NGAI			
BT 577922 162145H (N)	I/3/7/NONE	UNK/UNK	LP
BT 584013 160010H (N)	3/1/77/NONE	UNK/NONE	S&D
BT 577917 161530H (ND)	B/1/77/NONE	UNK/5 VCS	S&D
BT 547989 161600H (D)	S/3/77/NONE	UNK/6 VCS	DEF
BT 577921 162110H (N)	M/3/77/NONE	UNK/UNK	SEC
BT 620976 162210H (N)	V/1/7/NONE	UNK/NONE	AMS
QUANG NAM			
BT 047547 161930H (D)	D/1/1/7/NONE	UNK/UNK	PTL
BT 000596 161810H (D)	F/2/0/NONE	UNK/UNK	PTL
BT 049562 161900H (D)	G/1/1/NONE	UNK/UNK	PTL
BT 035034 161900H (D)	S/1/1/NONE	UNK/UNK	CP

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1. (C) I CTZ: OPN HASTINGS/LAM SON 239 CONTINUES W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT SINCE MY 170507Z PARA 1B. REF MY 161216Z PARA 1A, THREE CREWMEN FROM THE DOWNED CH-46 THAT WERE PRESUMED MIA HAVE BEEN PICKED UP. NO FURTHER DETAILS AT THIS TIME. RESULTS OF THE CRASH ARE: 13 USMC KIA. 2/1 USMC WAS HELILIFTED TO A LZ VIC (XD984563) AT 170925H. NEGATIVE CONTACT. NO CHANGE IN THE CUMULATIVE RESULTS SINCE MY 170507Z. 124 AIR SORTIES HAVE SUPPORTED.

2. (C) II CTZ:

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A. OPN PAUL REVERE. RECON ELM 3D BDE, 25TH INF DIV. COMPLETED VISUAL AIR RECON OF SLOW MARE II AREA VIC YAS92000 AT 171000H JUL. NEGATIVE RESULTS.

B. ALL MAJOR OPNS CONTINUE WITHOUT SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED OR CHANGE IN MISSION SINCE MY 170507Z JUL.

3. (C) III CTZ:

A. NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED.

B. REF DPN AURORA II (MY 170507Z). AO IS YT0857 ALONG RIVER TO 7870 - 7875 - 9970 - 9950 - 9150 - 8142 ALONG RIVER TO 6936 - 5857. PRINCIPLE MANEUVER ELEMENTS ARE 1ST, 2ND, AND 4TH BNS, 503RD ABN INF.

4. (C) IV CTZ: NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED SINCE MY 162344Z.

5. (C) REF MY 170507Z, PAR 2C, OPN HENRY CLAY. U.S. MIA READS 30. CHANGE TO READ 0.

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- 1. (C) I CTZ
 - A. OP HASTINGS CONT WITH NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT. III MAF INTENDS TO EMPLOY SLF TO EXPLOIT BLUE IRIS, ARC LIGHT STRIKE, CONDUCTED YESTERDAY IN SUPPORT OF OPN. CUM RES: USMC: 28 KIA, 58 MIA, ARVN: 2 KIA, / 8 MIA; VC: 138 KIA (BC) 1 VCC, 41 IND WPNS, 6 C/S WPNS CPTRD. 134 AIR SORTIES HAVE SUPPORTED. NO NAVAL GUNFIRE SUPPORTED.
 - B. DESK HOUSE II: OPN DECK HOUSE II TERM 180048H.

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OPCON OF SLF PASSED TO CG III MAF. ARS WILL CONTINUE IN SUPPORT OF FORCES ASHORE. NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPT DURING PERIOD OF THIS REPORT. CUM CAS: FRD: NONE; VC: 3 KIA.

- 2. (C) III CTZ. OPN BRISBANE CONT W/O CONTACT.
- 3. (U) II & IV CTZ. NO SIGNIFICANT TACTICAL ACTIVITY REPTD.

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1. DECK HOUSE II (U) SITREP NR 12 AS OF 181400Z.
2. TASK ORGANIZATION
 - A. TG 76.5 AMPHIB READY GROUP CONSISTING OF PRINCETON (CTG 76.5, HMM 363, TACRON DET AND BJU DET EMB), ALAMO, PICKAWAY, LOFBERG (COMDESDIV 213 EMB), WHITE RIVER. *PRINCETON ASHORE BANDER.*
 - B. TLF AS OF ASER OPCON CG TF DELTA. HMM 363 CONTINUES UTILIZE
3. ACTIONS
 - A. TG MAINTAINING STATION VIC THACHHAN RIVER MOUTH NORTH OF QUANG

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TRI. PROVIDING SUPPORT FOR OPS ASHORE.

B. LOFBERG, WHITE RIVER UNDER OPCON CTU 70.8.9 FOR DIRECT NGF
SUPPORT OP HASTINGS.

C. SLF

1. BLT 3/5 CONDUCTING S & D OPS/NIGHT PATROLS AND AMBUSHES IN
ASSIGNED AREAS AASHOREIN OP HASTINGS.-2. AT 1330H, CO M ENCOUNTERED APPROX 30 ENEMY IN KHAKI UNIFORM
VIC YD 043623. ENEMY OPENED FIRE WITH AUTO WEPS. M CALLED IN AIR,
RETURNED FIRE WITH S/A, AND OVERRAN POSITION. RESULTS WERE 17 VC KKIA(BC)
AND 10 VC WIA, WITH WOUNDED AND OTHERS FLEEING TO NORTH. EQUIPT
CAPTURED INCLUDED: ONE 30 CAL AND ONE 50 CAL MACHINE GUN, FIVE
7.62 JHZZTO RIFLE SIX 7.62 S/A FEFLES, 20 GRENADES, TWO ANTI-TANK
MINES AND 1000 RDS S/AHTXMO. FIVE USMC KIA. FIVE WIA IN ENGAGEMENT.

4. CP LOCATIONS 8181700H)

BLT CP - YD 083604

CO I - YD 070596

CO K - YD 06607

CO M - YD 068610

1105 BTRY - YD 117578

RECON TMS - YYD 066605/YD 092619

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4. CASUALTIES

A. DURING PERIOD

ENEMY: 17KIA, 10 WIA (PROB)

USMC: 5 KIA, 5 WIA

B. CUMULATIVE (DECK HOUSE II AND HASTINGS)

ENEMY: 20 KIA, 25 KIA (PROBABLE), 2 WIA (CONF), 15 WIA

(PROB).

USMC: 5 KIA, 5 WIA

4. INTENTIONS

A. CONTINUE SUPPORT OF OPS ASHORE.

5. ACTIONS REQUIRED OF HIGHZR AUTHORITY: NONE

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ZEN/CG MARCORSUPCEN ALBANY
ZEN/CG MARCORSUPACTY PHILA
ZEN/FIRST MARBRIG
ZEN/TWENTY SIXTH MAR (CAMPEF)
ZEN/CG FOURTH MARDIV (CANPEN)
ZEN/CG FIFTH MARDIV (CANPEN)
ZEN/CO FIRST BN TWENTY SEVENTH MAR
ZEN/CO FIRST RADIO BN

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WESTPAC SITREP NO THREE HUNDRED SEVENTH FIVE (C)
1. THIS SUMMARIZES EVENTS OF 16 JULY, UNLESS OTHERWISE
SPECIFIED.

HIGHLIGHTS

III MAF LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS
(1) HASTINGS - SEVEN MILES BELOW THE DMZ, TASK FORCE
DELTA IS CONTINUING ITS SEARCH FOR THE 324TH "B" NVA DIV.

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ACTIVITY ON 16 JULY WAS CHARACTERIZED BY MODERATE CONTACT
WITH ENEMY UNITS OF UP TO COMPANY SIZE. IN THE MOST SIGNI-
FICANT CONTACT CO K, 3D BN, 4TH MAR ENGAGED A VC FORCE OF
ABOUT 100 FOR A PERIOD OF 7 HOURS, BEGINNING AT 162000H. WHILE
DETAILS OF THE ENGAGEMENT ARE NOT YET AVAILABLE, IT IS KNOWN
THAT 35 VC WERE KILLED WHILE MARINES SUFFERED 1 KIA AND
5 WIA. THROUGH 170300H, 127 ENEMY SOLDIERS HAVE BEEN CONFIRMED
KILLED WITH AN ADDITIONAL 56 PROBABLY KIA AND 1 CAPTURED.
UPON INITIAL INTERROGATION, THE ONE CAPTIVE, STATED THAT
HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE 90TH BN, 37TH NVA DIV. ORDER OF BATTLE
DOES NOT HOLD A 37TH NVA DIV; HOWEVER, THERE IS A 90TH REGT
OF THE 324TH "B" NVA DIV. THE CAPTIVE REPORTS THAT HIS UNIT
HAS VERY HIGH MORALE, BUT IS LOW ON SUPPLIES AND AMMUNITION.
(PARAGRAPH 3E(3) GIVES ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE
INTERROGATION OF THIS PRISONER.) OTHER INDICATIONS POINT
TOWARD UNCOUNTED ENEMY CASUALTIES. THERE HAVE BEEN
REPORTS RECEIVED THAT VILLAGERS ABOUT 7 MILES SOUTHWEST
OF CAN LO HAVE BEEN FORCED TO DIG GRAVES FOR MANY VC
DEAD. THE U.S. ARMY ADVISOR IN THE AREA BELIEVES THIS
MAY BE A RESULT OF B-52 ARC LIGHT STRIKES FLOWN ON 15 JULY.

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BESIDE THE NVA PERSONNEL LOSSES, 27 WEAPONS HAVE BEEN TAKEN (INCLUDING ONE .50 CALIBER MACHINE GUN). IN THE MAIN, THESE HAVE BEEN OF CHICOM MANUFACTURE (7.62 CALIBER), ANOTHER INDICATION OF REGULAR NORTH VIETNAMESE TROOPS. OF SIGNIFICANT INTEREST AMONG THE MUNITIONS THAT HAVE BEEN CAPTURED ARE 2 BOXES OF 20MM AMMUNITION. THIS IS THE FIRST HARD EVIDENCE OF THE EXISTENCE OF SUCH AN ENEMY WEAPON IN RVN, ALTHOUGH RECENT REPORTS OF AIR BURSTS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY HAVE POINTED TOWARDS A GUN OF THIS CALIBER. (ADDITIONAL DETAILS MAY BE FOUND IN PARAGRAPH 3E(3)).

MARINE CASUALTIES AS OF 170300H STAND AT 29 KIA AND 615 WIA. INCLUDED IN THIS TOTAL ARE 13 MARINES ABOARD A CH-46 HELICOPTER WHICH CRASHED AND BURNED AFTER BEING HIT BY ENEMY GROUND FIRE AT 151815H NEAR THE 3DBN, 4TH MAR CP (YD 057655). THE PILOT AND THE TWO CREW MEMBERS WERE RECOVERED ALIVE, BUT ALL OTHERS PERISHED. (AIRCRAFT LOSS WAS REPORTED ON 16 JULY.)

(2) MACON - SOUTH OF DANANG THE 3DBN, 9TH MAR CONTINUED OPERATION MACON WITH ONLY LIGHT CONTACT. ENEMY CASUALTIES

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THROUGH 162400H ARE 172 KIA (BC), 344 KIA (PROBABLE), 25 VC SUSPECTS AND 1 VCC.

(3) DETAILS OF BOTH HASTINGS AND MACON MAY BE FOUND IN PARAGRAPH 3A.

B. DECK HOUSE II

THE SPECIAL LANDING FORCE (BLT 3/5 AND HMM-363) IS CONTINUING SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN ITS AMPHIBIOUS OBJECTIVE AREA NORTHEAST OF DONG HA WITHOUT CONTACT. THE LANDING FORCE IS NOW FIRMLY ASHORE; COMMANDER LANDING FORCE, COL RICHARD A. BRENNEMAN, HAS ESTABLISHED HIS CP ABOUT 1/2 MILE INLAND FROM BLUE BEACH (YD 310728), NEAR LANDING FORCE OBJECTIVE B. CLF HAS RECOMMENDED TO CTG 76.5, COMMANDER AMPHIBIOUS READY GROUP, THAT THE AMPHIBIOUS PHASE OF DECKHOUSE II BE TERMINATED AS PLANNED AND THAT THE SLF BE CHOPPED TO 1, III MAF. CTG 76.5 CONCORDED AND HAS DIRECTED THAT THIS BE DONE EFFECTIVE 172300Z. UPON REPORTING TO CG, III MAF FOR OPERATIONAL CONTROL, THE SLF WILL BE FURTHER ASSIGNED TO OPCON OF CG, 3D MAR DIV AND WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS IN CONJUNCTION WITH TASK FORCE DELTA.

CP LOCATIONS AS OF 171030Z ARE SHOWN BELOW:

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LAM SON 289, THE ARVN PORTION OF OPERATION HASTINGS, CONTINUED WITH ONLY LIGHT CONTACT ON 16 JULY AND NONE THROUGH 1600H ON THE 17TH. PRESENTLY THERE ARE 6 ARVN MANEUVER BATTALIONS COMMITTED: 1ST BN, 1ST REGT; 2ND BN, 1ST REGT; 3/7 APC; 2D ABN BN; 6TH ABN BN AND THE 8TH ABN BN. CUMULATIVE FRIENDLY CASUALTIES ARE 2 KIA AND 8 WIA. THERE HAVE BEEN NO CONFIRMED ENEMY LOSSES.

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~~TWO OTHER ARVN OPERATIONS ARE UNDERWAY IN I CTZ, THUA THIEN 194, 10 KILOMETERS EAST OF HUE, AND QUYET THANH 18/G, 10 KILOMETERS NORTH OF QUANG NGAI CITY. THUA THIEN 194 HAS REPORTED LIGHT CONTACT ON 16-17 JULY, WHILE QUYET THANH 18/G HAS HAD NO RECENT ENCOUNTERS WITH THE VC.~~

F. AIR DEFENSE TAIWAN

~~THE TEMPORARY AUGMENTATION OF U.S. AIR DEFENSE FORCES, TAIWAN INVOLVING THE DEPLOYMENT OF A USMC F-4 SQUADRON FROM IWAKUNI TO TAIWAN HAS BEEN ORDERED TERMINATED BY CINCPACFLT. THE AUGMENTATION BEGAN ON 21 MAY WITH THE DEPLOYMENT OF VMFA-323. ON 23 JUNE VMFA-314 RELIEVED VMFA-323, THE LATTER RETURNING TO IWAKUNI TO PREPARE FOR MOVEMENT TO RVN. WITH THE TERMINATION OF THE AUGMENTATION, VMFA-314 IS SCHEDULED TO DEPART TAIWAN AB FOR IWAKUNI DURING THE PERIOD 18-30 JULY.~~

5. III MAF

A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION HASTINGS

(A) SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS ARE CONTINUING IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH VC CONTACT REPORTED AS MODERATE. TASK FORCE DELTA ASSUMED OPERATIONAL CONTROL

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OF FIRST BN, FIRST MARINES AT 161320H. AT 151950H, A PATROL FROM CO D, FIRST BN, THIRD MARINES AMBUSHED A GROUP OF VC (YD132604), TWO MILES NORTH OF CAM LO. A FIRE FIGHT ENSUED AND MARINES ACCOUNTED FOR THREE VC KIA AND ONE 60MM MORTAR WITH FIVE ROUNDS CAPTURED. TWO MARINES WERE WOUNDED DURING THE ENGAGEMENT. AT 160800H, CO G, SECOND BN, FOURTH MARINES KILLED TWO VC WITH SMALL ARMS FIRE AND CAPTURED ONE SMG (YD056658) SIX MILES NORTHWEST OF CAM LO. AT 160837H, CO K, THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES CALLED ARTILLERY FIRE AND AIR SUPPORT ON A VC CONCENTRATION (YD0364) SEVEN MILES NORTHWEST OF CAM LO. RESULTS WERE TWENTY-FIVE VC KILLED AND ONE VC CAPTURED. AT 160900H, CO I, SECOND BN, FOURTH MARINES KILLED TWO VC AND CAPTURED ONE .50 CAL MG, TWO RIFLES AND TWENTY GRENADES (YD0565), SEVEN AND A HALF MILES NORTHWEST OF CAM LO. AT 160059H, CO L, THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES SEARCHED THE AREA (YD039649) WHERE A FIRE FIGHT HAD TAKEN PLACE ON 15 JULY AND FOUND ONE VC KIA, ONE M-47 SMG, TWO CHICOM CARBINES, SIX GRENADES, A LIMITED AMOUNT OF SMALL ARMS AMMUNITION AND ASSORTED PERSONAL EQUIPMENT. AT 161130H, CO I, THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES

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KILLED ONE VC MOVING ALONG A STREAM BED, AND CAPTURED ONE CHICOM CARBINE WITH TWO HUNDRED TWENTY ROUNDS AND THREE GRENADES. AT 161340H, CO L, THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES DISCOVERED A SIZEABLE CACHE OF VC MUNITIONS (YD 039654) SEVEN MILES NORTHWEST OF CAM LO AND CONFISCATED TWENTY-FOUR AT MINES, TWELVE GRENADES, SEVENTY-TWO BLASTING CAPS, A THOUSAND ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS AMMO AND THREE BARRELS OF WEB GEAR. AT 1345H, CO G, SECOND BN, FOURTH MARINES (YD040652) FOUND ONE 7.62 CARBINE, ONE CHICOM AR, AND THIRTY-FIVE BOXES OF 12.7MM AMMO. AT 161500H, CO L, THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES DIRECTED SMALL ARMS FIRE AND 60MM MORTAR FIRE AT A GROUP OF VC, KILLING ONE. AT 161530H, CO H, SECOND BN, FOURTH MARINES OBSERVED TWO VC AMMO CARRIERS (YD054695) AND TOOK THEM UNDER SMALL ARMS FIRE. ONE VC WAS KILLED AND TWO BOXES OF 20MM AMMO WERE RECOVERED. BETWEEN 161858H AND 161910H, TWO ARTILLERY MISSIONS WERE FIRED AGAINST CONCENTRATIONS OF VC TROOPS (YD996564) AND (YD997568), NINE MILES WEST OF CAM LO. CUMULATIVE RESULTS OF THE FIRE MISSIONS WERE TWENTY-EIGHT VC KIA (CONF).

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(B) TOTAL AIR SUPPORT RENDERED TO OPERATION HASTING INCLUDES:

TYPE A/C	SORTIES
A4	39(27 TPG-10)
F4	17
F8	4
UH-1E	106
HELO TRANSPORT	489(2635 PAX; 26 TONS CARGO)
OTHER	96

BOMB DAMAGE ASSESSMENT

	DESTROYED	DAMAGED
STRUCTURE	17	4
AV POSIT	1	
BUNKER	1	
SECONDARY EXPLOSION		1
VC KBA	23(PROB)	

(C) CUMULATIVE RESULTS

USMC	NVA/VC
28 KIA	127 KUUAUIAU
	UUUA
56 WIA	56 KIA (PROB)
	1 VC CAPTURED

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27 WEAPONS

(D) THE HOSPITAL SHIP REPOSE IS LYING OFF SHORE TO RECEIVE CASUALTIES FROM OPERATION HASTINGS.

(2) OPERATION MAGON

(4) NINTH MARINES ARE CONTINUING SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG NAM PROVINCE AND REPORTING ONLY LIGHT VC CONTACT. AT 161130H, THREE MARINES FROM CO M, THIRD BN, NINTH MARINES WERE WOUNDED WHEN A BOOBY TRAP WAS DETONATED (AT 915597) ELEVEN MILES SOUTH SOUTHWEST OF DANANG. AT 161200H A RECON OP (AT 993462), SEVENTEEN MILES SOUTH OF DANANG, DIRECTED AN ARTILLERY MISSION AGAINST FOUR VC AND CONFIRMED TWO VC KIA.

(B) CUMULATIVE RESULTS

USMC	VC
8 KIA	172 KIA(17GRD, 55 KBA)
38 WIA	1 VC CAPTURED
	25 VC SUSPECTS

B. SMALL UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) HUE PHU BAI

(A) FOURTH MARINES (REAR). NO CONTACTS WERE REPORTED.

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1. (C) I CTZ
NEVN OPN HASTINGS/LAM SON 289 CONT WITH LIGHT VC PROBING
ATTACKS DURING THE NIGHT. 2/1, 2/4, AND 3/4 (USMC) WILL CONT
TO CONDUCT S/D OPNS IN AO. RVNAF FORCES REPTD NO CONTACT.
B. OPN NAGON CONT WITH NO SIGNIFICANT TACTICAL ACTV.
C. CUM RESULTS:

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	LAM SON 289	MACON
	US	US
KIA	28	8
VIA	58	38
MIA		
	3	
	7	
	1	
	ENEMY	
KIA	138	172
VCC	1	1
VCS		23
IND	41	
VPNS		
C/S	6	
VPNS		
AIR	124	22

2. (C) II CTZ
A. OPN HENRY CLAY CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT.
3D BDE, 1ST AIR CAV DIV MOVES TODAY TO KONTUM CITY TO PARTICIPATE
IN OPN HAYES (SEE PARA C). 2/8 CAV DISPLACED TO VIC AQ8476 TO
CONDUCT RCN IN FORCE AND SMALL UNIT S/D OPNS.

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B. HQ 1ST BDE, 101ST ABN CLOSED TUY HOA NORTH (CQ
1549), OPERATIONAL 171605H. 2/322 LOC VIC TUY HOA SOUTH (CQ
194-1. 2/302 CLOSED VIC TUY HOA NORTH (CQ1547) AT 171900H.
1/327 AND REMAINDER OF 1ST BDE 101ST CONT MOVE FROM DAK TO
TUY HOA.

C. 1/7 CAV CLOSED VIC DAK TO (ZB0523) AT 171230H
TO PARTICIPATE IN OPN HAYES.

- (1) OPN HAYES COMMENCED 180001H JULY.
- (2) TASK ORGAN: HQ 3D BDE, 1ST AIR CAV DIV
UPON CLOSING KONTUM. 1/7 CAV (REIN).
- (3) AO IS BOUNDED ON THE WEST BY THE CAMBODIAN -
LAOTIAN BORDER; ON THE NORTH BY THE I AND II CORPS BOUNDARY;
ON THE EAST BY THE NS GRIDLINE AS91; ON THE SOUTH BY

Y GRIDLINE
180001H, 1ST ACB
LIMITED SURVEILLANCE OF AO OF OPN HAYES.
CONCEPT OF OPNS: ONE BDE (ASNL W/ONE INF
SUPPORTED BY ARTY (ASNL (4:30)) - 15 MI (C, 22.
18074-289. W/3 TROOP (ASNL (4:30)) - 15 MI (C, 22.
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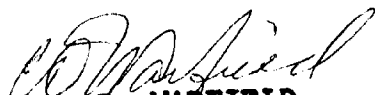
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Source: Major ANDERSON, FMFPac CC

Operation Hastings continues with light to moderate contact. Between 161915H and 170630H, 3/4 located in the vicinity of YD 036651 fired small arms and called artillery missions on an estimated VC Company located in the vicinity of YD 035651. Results of this action: VC - 33 KIA, 40 KIA (PROB), assorted small arms captured.

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III MAF DAILY SITREP 190, 162400H-172400H JULY 1966
1. OPN SUMMARY
(A) GENERAL

OPN MACON. 9TH MAR CONTINUED S&D OPN IN QUANG
NAM PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT.

OPN HASTINGS. AT 1617PM CO K/3/4 CAME UNDER
FIRE FROM 100 VC, RTND ALL ORGANIC WPN FIRE, AND CALLED IN
ARTY, FIRE FIGHT LASTED APPROX 2 HRS AND 45 MINUTES WITH VC GETTING
WITHIN 20M OF CO K POS, 1 USMC KIA, 5 USMC WIA (MED EVAC),
35 VC KIA, 1 VCC DOW AT 171320H, 7 CHICOM CARBINES, 1 CHICOM
MG, 1 HV MG, 3 CHICOM SERVICE RIFLES, 31 GREN 38 MAGAZINES,
ASSORTED 782 GEAR AND DOCUMENTS CPTRD. AT 171330H CO W/2/4
VIC (YD 043651) FOUND 2 VC KIA IN HARBORING SITE, AT 171430H
CO W/2/4 RECD SA FIRE FROM 1 VC IN SPIDERHOLE VIC (YD 043653),
FIRED SA, 1 VC HEADKJTBZ CARBINE WITH FOLDING BAYONET, AND DOCU-
MENTS CPTRD. AT 171515H 2/4 MAR REPTD FINDING 5 VC KIA VIC
(YD 2409654), DEAD AS A RESULT OF SA FIRE, 1 CHICOM ASSAULT PW

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RIFLE, DOCUMENTS CPTRD, 782 GDR, 17 CHICOM GREN, 2 BOXES
12.7 AMMOVN ONE 12.7 TRIPOD. AT 171815H 1 VC ARMED WITH AK-
47 RIFLE SURRENDERED AT 3/4 MAR CP VIC (YD 039649). AT
171850H CO I/3/4 MAR SENT 1 MAN TO WATERING POINT VIC (YD
041647), VC IN TREE THREW 1 CONCUSSION GREN, CO I SQD SWEEP
AREA, APPREHENDED 1 VCC, 1 USMC WIA (MINOR), 1 AK-47 RIFLE,
2 MAGAZINES, 40 RDS AMMO, 782 GEAR CPTRD. AT 17208°

CO

KV2 5/4 VIC (YD 036641) SAW A FLARE TRIPPED VIC (YD 035640)
OBSR 1 VC, FIRED SA, 1 VC KIA. CONTACT DESCRIBED IN SITREP 197
INVOLVING CO "K" 3/4 MAR THAT OCCURED AT 160930H IS ERRONEOUS:DELETE.

B. PLANS SUMMARY

(1) OPN MACON. 9TH MAR CONTINUES S&D OPS IN QUANG
NAM PROVINCE.

HASTINGS 4TH MAR CONTINUES OPS IN QUANG
NAM PROVINCE

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C. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS.

(1) MACON: US LOSSES: 8 KIA, 38 WIA
ENEMY LOSSES: 181 WIA (124 GNEY, 57 KBA) 25 VCS, 1 VCC
CUM TAC AIRSTRIKE SORTIES: 22
CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUN FIRED: NONE

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(1) HASTINGS. US LOSSES: 28 KIA, 58 WIA (THE 3 MIA
LISTED SITREP 197 HAVE
SINCE BEEN LOCATED, 2 ARE
WIA, AND 1 ON FULL DUTY)

ENEMY LOSSES: 145 KIA, (138 GND 7 BA) 51 WPNS, 3 VCC
CUM TAC AIRSTRIKE SORTIES: 154
CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUN FIRE: NONE

D. FRIENDLY INITIATED SMALL UNIT CONTACTS: 15

PROV/COORD DTG	FRD UNIT/LOSSES	EN UNIT/LOSSES	TYPE ACTION
QUANG TIN			
BT 431091 170730H (D)	H/2/5/NONE	UNK/3 VCS	LSL
BS 447002 171705H (D)	H&S/1/REC/NONE	UNK/NONE	OP
BT 394116 171816H (D)	A/1/5/NONE	UNK/2 VCS	DEF
BT 375134 171855H (D)	B/1/5/C., 9, 3	UNK/NONE	PTL
BT 310113 171930H (D)	B/1/RECON/NONE	UNK/NONE	OP
QUANG NGAI			
BS 664973 170615H (D)	D/1/7/NONE	UNK/1 KIA	AMB
BS 564999 170930H (D)	H&S/3/7/NONE	UNK/1 VCS	DEF
BS 535946 171015H (D)	I/3/7/NONE	UNK/1 VCS	DEF
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IU 171430H (D)	D/1/7/1 WIA	UNK/NONE	PTL

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GIANG NAM				
AT 972576	162230H (N)	D/1/9/NONE	UNK/UNK	LP
AT 911662	162315H (N)	E/1/9/1 WIA	UNK/1 KIA	AMB
BT 107568	162320H (N)	B/1/1/NONE	UNK/UNK	AMB
AT 910539	1712152H (D)	B/1/9/NONE	UNK/4 KIA	AMB
AT 007595	171940H (D)	H/2/9/NONE	UNK/2 KIA	AMB
				COURIER
BT 067677	171740H	S-2/3/1/NONE	UNK/1 WIA	RUN

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PART I - US FORCES

C. OBJECTIVES

PROVINCE	LOCATION	TYPE	NAME	INIT/TERM
C1	(AT 9751)	S&D	MACON	051500H/CONT
C2	(XD 9960)	S&D	HASTINGS	071600H/CONT

D. FORCES

UNIT	OBJ	INIT/TERM	INIT BY	AIRSPT	NGF
D1	C1	171258H/172035H	US	NONE	NONE
D2	C2	171330H/172008H	US	18/A-4 10/F-4 2/F-8	USMC NONS USMC USMC

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K. LOSSES/DAM

K1. ENEMY LOSSES

UNIT	SIZE/UNIT ID	KIA/VCC	WPNS	AMMO
D1	UNK/UNK	9/2	NONE	NONE
D2	UNK/UNK	52/0	24 RIFLES & CARBINES	2 BOXES 12.7MM & 40 RDS 7.62

K3. FRIENDLY LOSSES

UNIT	SIZE/UNIT ID	KIA/WIA/CPTRD/MIA	WPNS	AMMO
D1	UNK/UNK	NONE	NONE	NONE
D2	UNK/UNK	0/2/0/0	NONE	NONE

K5. TOTAL FRIENDLY INITIATED SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITHOUT

CONTACT: 395

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ZEN/II FFORCEV
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1. (C) I CTZ: OPN HASTINGS/LAM SON 289 CONTINUES WITH SPOR-
ADIC CONTACT. 2/4 CONDUCTING S/D OPNS NORTHWEST. 3/4 WILL FOLLOW
IN TRACE OF 2/4. 2/4 WILL PROCEED TO OBB VIC YD055666. 3/4 WILL
PROCEED TO HILL 100 VIC (YD067655). 3/5 WAS HELILIFTED TO LZ VIC
YD0860. 1ST WAVE TOUCHED DOWN AT 181229H. 2D WAVE IN LZ AT 181307H.
3/5 WILL CONDUCT S/D OPN TO THE WEST. NO CONTACT REPORTED IN LAM
SON 289. CUMULATIVE RESULTS: USMC: 28 KIA, 58 WIA, ARVN: 3 KIA,
7C 28-. VC: 145 KIA, 3 VCC, 41 IWPNS, 6 C/S WPNS, 154 TAC AIR

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SORTIES HAVE SUPPORTED.

2. (C) II CTZ:

A. ALL MAJOR OPNS CONTINUE WITHOUT SIGNIFICANT CONTACT
REPORTED OR CHANGE IN MISSION SINCE MY 180, 6Z JULGJ

• (C) III CTZ:

A. OPN BRISBANE TERM 181645H JULY WITH NEG CONTACT AND
NEG RESULTS.

B. REF OPN CEDAR RAPIDS (PARA 3A, MY 180456Z), DELETE
J-10 BN FROM J-2 OB FOR AO.

C. NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED FROM OPNS IN PROGRESS.

4. (U) IV CTZ: NO CONTACT REPORTED SINCE MY 180456Z.

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TOP SECRET 24726 FROM: MACJ234
SUBJ: OPERATIONS IN THE DMZ (C)
REF: A. CINCPAC TOP SECRET MESSAGE DTG 150447Z
B. MACV (S) DTG 161521Q Z JULY (NOTAL)

1. (TS) REF A REQUESTS ALL FAKTUAL INTELLIGENCE BE SUBMITTED ASAP TO SUPPORT THE CONTENTION THAT THE NVA IS USING THE DMZ FOR MILITARY PURPOSES.

2. (TS) INTELLIGENCE ON THE INFILTRATION OF ENEMY PERSONNEL THROUGH THE DMZ IS AVAILABLE. INTELLIGENCE SOURCES CONSIST OF REPORTS FROM TWO CAPTIVES AND A RETURNEE, PHOTOGRAPHY, AND VISUAL SIGHTINGS BY U.S. PERSONNEL.

3. (TS) MOST INFORMATION OBTAINED THROUGH THESE SUBJECTS IS RELATED AND APPLIES TO THE EASTERN INFILTRATION ROUTE THROUGH DMZ. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS CURRENTLY AVAILABLE:

A. PHOTOGRAPHS OF 3 JULY 66 SHOW A PORTION OF THE INFILTRATION ROUTE. 2 JUNE 66 PHOTOGRAPHY REVEALS ENEMY POSITIONS IN THE DMZ IMMEDIATELY WEST OF THE INFILTRATION ROUTE. THIS PHOTOGRAPHY INTERPRETED BY MAKV J2 IS REPORTED ON AS FOLLOWS:

(1) MISSION 4639, TARGET NUMBER 1TC 548 A, DATED

3 JULY 66.

PROBABLE INFILTRATION ROUTE EXTENDING NORTH-SOUTH THROUGH THE DMZ (XD947695 TO YD955723) AND PERPENDICULAR TO CON-

(JUL 66)

REF: CIGCS-1(1) DJS-3(2-4) SJCS-1(5) J3-8(6-13) J5-2(14-15)
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FIRMED INFILTRATION ROUTE 102. OVERALL WIDTH OF THE ROUTE IS 25 FEET - 30 FEET, AND THE ROAD CONDITION IS GOOD. ROUTE APPEARS TO BE HEAVILY USED. PRIOR COVERAGE (MISSION 2121 1TC 163 A, EATED 23 MARCH) INDICATES THAT THIS ROUTE HAS BEEN IN EXISTENCE FOR AT LEAST 4 MONTHS.

(2) MISSION CD3872, DATED 2 JUNE 66 - AT LOCATIONS XD882688 AND XD886686 APPROXIMATELY TWELVE STRUCTURES ABOVE GROUND IN TWO CLEARED AREAS 500-1000 METERS NORTH OF CONFIRMED INFILTRATION ROUTE 102 AND THE SONG RAO THANH.

(A) AT LOCATION XD859687 APPROXIMATELY FIFTEEN STRUCTURES ABOVE GROUND IN A CLEARED AREA NORTH OF THE SONG RAO THANH. ROUTE 102 EXTENDS EAST-WEST THROUGH THE AREA. A WELL, A DITCH, AND POSSIBLY A TRENCH, EXTENDS AROUND THE MAJOR PORTION OF THE STRUCTURES.

(B) AT LOCATION (XD846686) APPROXIMATELY FIFTEEN STRUCTURES ABOVE GROUND LOCATED NORTH OF THE SONG RAO THANH. ROUTE 102 INTERSECTS THE BUILT UP AREA. SEVERAL WELL DEFINED DITCHES ARE PRESENT AND MAY BE TRENCHES.

B. FURTHER INTERROGATION OF BAI THANH QUANG, A PRIVATE FROM THE 200 MAN FORWARD RECONNAISSANCE GROUP OF THE 3243 DIVISION WHO RALLIED ON 18 MAY, GAVE THE FOLLOWING DETAILS ON HIS UNIT'S ROUTE OF INFILTRATION:

(1) AT 1800 HOURS ON 15 MAY THE ENTIRE TOPOGRAPHY SURVEY TEAM LEFT VINH NAM VILLAGE (YD191838) BY CAR TO HO XA (YD149870) ON NATIONAL HIGHWAY NUMBER 1 AND MOVED TO THE NORTH. WHEN IT ARRIVED AT THE BA BINH FORK (YD119899), IT TURNED LEFT, CROSSED THE RAILROAD, (YD096868 - YD095860) MOVED ALONG THE BEN XE RIVER, AND STOPPED AT VIC XD955695 (WHERE THE GROUP OF CARS RETURNED). HIS GROUP RESTED OVERNIGHT IN THE AREA; IN THE MORNING RICE WAS DISTRIBUTED, AND THE UNIT DEPARTED.

(2) 16 MAY 66 AT 0700 HOURS THE GROUP CROSSED THE BEN HAI (RAO THANH) RIVER (XD955675) WHICH WAS KNEE DEEP. THERE WAS A HIGHLANDER VILLAGE NEARBY. THE GROUP THEN FOLLOWED A TRAIL OVER HILLS INTO A FOREST, CROSSED THE CAM LO RIVER IN THE VIC XD935600 AND THEN RESTED IN THE VIC OF XD935595.

(3) ON 17 MAY 66 THE GROUP MOVED TOWARD THE SOUTH AND CROSSED A RIVER (POSSIBLY THE VINH HIU RIVER) IN THE VIC OF XD935532 BY SMALL BOAT (3 TO 4 PERSONS PER TRIP); AT APPROXI-

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MATELY 1700 HOURS, THE GROUP CROSSED HIGHWAY NUMBER 9 IN THE VIC
OD ZD980515. IT THEN PROCEEDED UP THE SA LONG HILL.

(4) SBURCE LEFT THE GROUP ON HIGHWAY NUMBER 9. HE CON-
TINUED NORTH ALONG THE ROAD FOR A SHORT DISTANCE THEN SPENT THE
NIGHT IN A FOREST. AT 0800 HOURS THE NEXT MORNING (18 MAY 66),
HE DEFECTED TO DAU MA POST.

C. ON 160800H SOUTH ELEMENTS OF 3RD BN, 4TH USMC CAPTUR-
ED A WOUNDED V, NGUYEN DUONG, AT YD034641. HE PROVIDED THE
FOLLOWING INFORMATION DURING ORAL INTERROGATION: HE IS A
CORPSMAF ASSIGNED TO THE FIRE BATTALION, C-3 COMPANY, 7TH BATTALION,
92TH REG. 3,5, 37TH DIVISION, STATED THAT THREE MONTHS AGO
THE 37TH REPEAT 37TH DIVISION CROSSED THE BEN HAI RIVER AT CO BAC
STREAM IN THE VIC OF XD9168 WITHIN THE DMZ AND PREPARED TO ENTER
SOUTH VIETNAM WOUNDED VC DIED 17 JULY DUE TO HIS INJURIES.

D. TRAN SY LY, A PRIVATE FROM THE 812TH REGIMENT, 324B
DIVISION, WAS CAPTURED AFTER BEING WOUNDED IN AN ENGAGEMENT WITH
ARVN PERSONNEL ON 12 JULY NEAR YD051930. HE STATED THAT HIS REGI-
MENT CROSSED THE BEN HAI RIVER IN THE VICINITY OF XD03712 ON 30
MAY, CONTINUED SOUTHWEST TO THE VICINITY OF XD995655 AND THEN TO
THE VICINITY OF COA (YD075457), ON 20 JUNE.

E. ON 14 JULY IN THIS SAME GENERAL AREA A U. S. MARINE
RECONNAISSANCE ELEMENT OPERATING 37 KM WEST-NORTHWEST OF QUANG
TRI CITY (C XD0264) DETECTED 6 ENEMY GROUPS, VARYING IN SIZE
FROM 10 TO 20 PERSONS, INFILTRATING FROM THE NORTH.

F. RESULTS OF PHOTO RECONNAISSANCE MISSIONS NUMBER 4652
AND 4653 DOWN ON 12 JULY REVEALED A LARGE NUMBER OF NEW FOXHOLES
AND EXTENSIVE HEAVY TRAIL ACTIVITY IN THE AREA SOUTH OF THE DMZ
(XD0263, 263, XD9839 AND YD3040).

G. COLLATION OF THE ABOVE INFORMATION FROM UNRELATED SOURCES
STRONGLY INDICATES THAT THE NVA HAS IN THE PASZ, AND IS NOW,
UTILIZING THIS AREA OF THE DMZ FOR MOVEMENT OF TROOPS AND SUPPLIES
INTO SOUTH VIETNAM.

5. (S) THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF CURRENT OB IN QUANG TRI PRO-
VINCE WITH BEST LOCATION AS OF THIS DATE:

- A. 324B DIVISION
 - CP - YD0762
 - 803 REGT - YD0870 AND YD1237
 - 812 REGT - YD0251

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S E C R E T LIMDIS 24751 FROM: MACOCV
 SUBJ: ARC LIGHT STRIKE REQUEST (U)
 REF: A. COMUSKAKV 24717 DTG 181106Z (S)

1. (S) THIS MESSAGE REQUEST APPROVAL OF ONE ARC LIGHT STRIKE IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HASTINGS. IN VIEW OF RECENT INTELLIGENCE, DO REQUEST QUANG NGAI FORTY (RED LAKE ONE) BE PLAKED I

ABEYAFCE FOR POSSIBLE RESCHEDULING (REF A APPLIES).

2. (S) RECENT INTELLIGENCE AT THIS HEADQUARTERS INDICATES THE TARGET DESCRIBED BELOW, IS A MAJOR REST POINT LONG ONE OF THE MAIN INFILTRATION ROUTES. THE STRIKE IS REQUESTED TO RESTRICT REPLY AND INFILTRATION AND TO PROHIBIT V.C. FROM ATTACKING FRIENDLY UNITS SUPPORTING OPERATION HASTINGS. BASIC INTELLIGENCE OF OPERATION

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 HASTINGS IS STILL VALID.

3/ (S) IN VIEW OF PARA TWO REQUEST EXECUTION APPROVAL OF THE ARC LIGHT STRIKE LISTED BELOW:

TARGET	UTM COORDINATES	ACFT	TOT
A. QUAFG TRI NINETY-FIVE (SLOW CUP ONE)	XD 918602 RPT XD 920612 RPT XD 930608 RPT XD 948598 RPT	NINE (?)	192205 JULY RPT 192205Z JULY

(1) SUBJECT TO EXECUTION APPROVAL, THIS MESSAGE CONSTITUTES CONFIRMATION. DO NOT RELEASE ANYUNZBTV AFTER 192235Z 405 192235Z.

B. WEAPONERING: H.E. MUNITIONS AT SAC'S DISCRETION, REQUEST 40:60 SURFACE TO SUBSURFALI.D

C. MAP SERPVS L-701, SCALE 1:50,000.

D. NUZS SHOWN ON THE 1:50,000 SCALE CHART USUZOR WITHIN ONE KILOMETER OF THE TARGET ARE EITHER DESTROYED OR ABANDONED AND CONTAIN NO NON-COMBATANTS.

E. GROUND EXPLOITATION IS NOT SCHEDULED, HOWEVER RECON ON THE AREA MAY BE ACCOMPLISHED LATER.

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F. FRIENDLY FORCES WILL BE NO CLOSER THAN THREE KILOMETERS TO THE TARGET AT TOT.

G. RADAR HELICOPTER WILL NOT BE PROVIDED.

H. AMEMB., SAIGON AND GVN HAVE APPROVED THIS TARGET.

4. (S) SO MUCH OF REF A PERTAINING TO QUAFG TRI NINETY-FOUR (QUICK PUNCH FIVE) IS STILL VALID.

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Subj: Update on Opn HASTINGS

Source: NMCC, PAC Desk, Major PEILER

1. MACV CC provided NMCC a Fonecon update on Opn Hastings. Let 51 are incomplete and results are only partial.

(a) There were many Plt & Co engagements during the day.

(b) At 181615H K/3/4 was pinned down by SA fire at YD040649. An NBC team was with the plt. Contact was lost but regained at 182100H. The plt was walking out carrying their wounded. Apparently the NBC* team is okay. Casualties are unknown.

(c) At 181325H M/3/5, vic YD070610, had contact throughout the day. Partial casualties: USMC 5 KIA, 5 WIA, VC: 21 KIA.

(d) 2/1 had 3 or 4 contacts but no details are available.

(e) At 181720H ARVN 2/1 was heavily engaged with an estimate VC Bn vic YD165650, which was continuing at 2130H. The Black Panther Co, 11th Tanks and ARVN 1/1 have reinforced 2/1. Casualties reported ARVN 8 WIA, 8 MIA. Advisors state the "Situation is good and improving".

(f) At 182125H there was no significant contact in the USMC area.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L CCN 24770

1. I CTZ: OP HASTINGS/LAM SON 289 CONT WITH SIGNIFICANT CONTACT THROUGHOUT USMC AND ARVN AO DURING THE AFTERNOON AND EVENING. 2/1 USMC CONTACT WITH VC VIC XD997549 BETWEEN 181030H AND 181410H. K/3/4 USMC LOST CONTACT WITH A PLAT HEAVILY ENGAGED BETWEEN 181630H AND 181830H VIC YD040649. 3/5 USMC HAD CONTACT VIC YD070610. 2/1 ARVN REPT CONTACT WITH EST 2 BNS YD1665. NO VC CONTACT IN USMC ZONE AFTER 182130H OR IN ARVN ZONE AFTER 182400H. CUM RESULTS: USMC: 33KIA, 87 WIA, ARVN: 3 KIA, 16 WIA; 9 MIA(IUS) VC:

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 173 KIA (BC), 3 VCC, 53 IND WPN, 8 C/S WPN. 193 AIR SORTIES
 HAVE SUPPORTED. NO NAVAL GUNFIRE.

2. II CTZ:

A. CHANGE OF AO FOR PAUL REVERE/HENRY CLAY. SOUTHERN
 BOUNDARY OF PAUL REVERE AND NORTHERN BOUNDARY OF HENRY CLAY IS
 CHANGED AS FOLLOWS:

(1) FROM CAMBODIAN BORDER VIC YV8270 EAST TO
 ZV2070 NORTH TO ZV2090.

(2) CHANGE WAS EFFECTIVE 162400 JUL.

B. OP PAUL REVERE. 2/35 INF CLOSED VIC YV9484 AT
 181818H.

3. III & IV CTZ: NO SIGNIFICANT ACTV REPT.

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III MAF DAILY SITREP NR 199, 180001H-182400H JULY 1966

1. OP SUMMARY
A. OP MACON. 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPNS IN QUANG NAM PROV WITH NO CONTACT.
B. OP HASTINGS. TASK FORCE DELTA, ASSUMING OPCON 3/5 MAR AT 180700H, CONT OPS IN QUANG TRI PROV UTILIZING 2/4 MAR, 3/4 MAR, 2/1 MAR, 1/3 MAR AND 3/5 MAR AS MANEUVER ELEMENTS; AND 3/12 MAR, 2 BIRYS OF 4/12 MARS, AND ONE 402 BTRY OF 1/11 MAR AS ARTY SPT; WITH 1ST MARS AND 2 BNS ON CALL.
AT 180820H CO H/2/1 OBS 13 VC VIC (YD 995589), CALLED IN ARTY MSN, 1 MG, 500 RDS 7.62 AMMO AND 782 GEAR
OPTRD. AT 181021H 3/4 OP RECD SA FIRE FROM 5 VC. RTND SA AND 81MM WITH UNK RESULTS, 1 USMC VIA (MED EVAC). AT 181600H CO E/2/1 ENCOUNTERED 15 VC VIC (XD 995558), FIRED SA, CALLED IN ARTY, 4 USMC VIA (MED EVAC), 1 VC KIA (CONF). AT 181100H CO F/2/1 PTL RECD SA FIRE FROM 1 VC VIC (YD 995545) RTND SA WITH

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UNK REBULIS, 1 USMC WIA (CONF), AT 1810Z...
AMMO BUNKER VIC (XD 045807), GROUND 10 300 MMM AND 1000 MM WORT,
AT 181307H A TACTICAL CONTROL TO LAUNDS (IN LZ CROW VIC (YD
30587) WITH 275 MM AND 10 100M, 100M, 100M, 1 USMC
KIA, 1 VC KIA (CONF), 2 VC WIA (CONF), 1 VC OPER (AT 181315H
E, 271 RECH SA FIRE, 4200 S, AND 4500 VC FIRE, 2 VC KIA (CONF),
1 CHICOM HQ, ONE 80 CAL RIFLE (FIRE) AT 181250Z DD M48/5
LANDED IN LZ CROW VIC (YD 30587), RECH SA, MADE CONTACT WITH
VC ELEMENTS VIC (YD 30587), RECH SA, (FIRE) AIR STRIKE,
2 VC KIA (CONF), 2 VC WIA, 5 USMC WIA (MIA), 1 WHELFED
3.62 90, 1 AT WPN, 14 100M RIFLES CP (D), 41 81200H 107 PLAC
ON 1000A PINNED DOWN AND NOT OFF BY 05 AND
MORT FIRE VIC (YD 045807), AIR STRIKE CALLED, 2 COS SENT TO
ASSIST, CONTACT EST BTRK OF PLAT RECH AT 181015H, AIR STR
ARTY STRIKES RECH ENERGY FTR, ALL ENEMY BY 181300H, 43 USMC WIA
KIED WACH, 14 USMC KIA, MIA, VC LOSSES UNK. AT 181200H CO
RECH (BSE) 9 VC VIC (YD 30587), ESTABLISHED MB, 2 VC KIA
(CONF), 3 VC WIA (CONF), AT 181730Z DD LAUNDS VIC (YD 30587)
MADE CONTACT WITH 2 VC, AND 10/000, 2 VC KIA (CONF), 1
CHICOM SMC AND ONE 80 CAL RIFLE (FIRE).

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181200H	RECH WACH	YD 30587	VC	ATTACK
181300H	RECH WACH	YD 30587	VC	ATTACK
181400H	RECH WACH	YD 30587	VC	ATTACK
181500H	RECH WACH	YD 30587	VC	ATTACK
181600H	RECH WACH	YD 30587	VC	ATTACK
181700H	RECH WACH	YD 30587	VC	ATTACK

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XI. ENEMY LOSSES

UNIT	SIZE/UNIT ID	NAME	APNS	2000
D1	UNK/UNK	NONE	NONE	NONE
D2	UNK/UNK	34/3	NO INFO, SHIP AND EQUIPMENT	NO INFO

XIII. FRIENDLY LOSSES

UNIT	SIZE/UNIT ID	NAME	APNS	2000
D1	UNK/UNK	NONE	NONE	NONE
D2	UNK/UNK	2009/001	NONE	NONE

XV. TOTAL FRIENDLY LOSSES SHALL BE THE SUM OF THE ABOVE

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S E C R E T SECTION 1 OF 8
FMFPAC WESTPAC SITREP NO FOUR SEVENTY SIX (C)
1. THIS SUMMARIZES EVENTS OF 17 JULY, UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED.
2. HIGHLIGHTS
A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS
(1) THS TEN BATTALION SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION HASTINGS / LAM SON 289 CONTINUED SOUTH OF

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KY, RESULTING IN FOUR CIVILIANS KILLED, FIFTEEN WOUNDED AND THREE HOUSES DESTROYED.

F. AIR STRIKES IN I CORPS

USMC AND USAF JETS COMBINED THEIR STRIKING POWER ON 17 JULY AND ATTACKED AN ENEMY TROOP CONCENTRATION TWENTY-SEVEN MILES NORTHWEST OF HUE. TEN MARINE F4B PHANTOMS, SIX A4 SKYHAWKS AND TWO AIRFORCE B-57 CANBERRAS WERE CREDITED WITH 137 ENEMY POSSIBLY KILLED, 75 STRUCTURES DESTROYED, AND CAUSING FOUR SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS.

3. III MAF

A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION HASTINGS

(A) AT 161915H, CO K, THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES WAS ATTACKED BY 100 VC. THE COMPANY RETURNED FIRE WITH ALL ORGANIC WEAPONS AND CALLED IN ARTILLERY FIRE SUPPORT. THE FIRE FIGHT LASTED TWO HOURS AND FORTY-FIVE MINUTES, AND AT ONE POINT THE VC HAD FOUGHT TO WITHIN TWENTY METERS OF CO K'S POSITION. RESULTS OF THIS ACTION ARE AS FOLLOWS: ONE USMC KIA, FIVE USMC WIA; 35 VC KIA (CONF), 40

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VC KIA (POSS), AND ONE VCC DOW. IN ADDITION SEVEN CHICOM CARBINES, ONE CHICOM MG, ONE HUY MG, THREE CHICOM RIFLES, THIRTY-ONE GRENADES, THIRTY-EIGHT MAGAZINES, AND ASSORTED ENEMY 782 GEAR AND DOCUMENTS WERE CAPTURED. CO H, SECOND BN, FOURTH MARINES DISCOVERED TWO VC KIA THIRTEEN MILES NORTHWEST OF DONG HA (YD 043 651). IN THE SAME AREA (YD 048 653) THIS COMPANY WAS FIRED ON BY A VC HIDING IN A SPIDER HOLE. THE VC WAS KILLED WITH SMALL ARMS FIRE AND HIS WEAPON AND DOCUMENTS WERE CAPTURED. LATER THE COMPANY DISCOVERED FIVE VC AT (YD 049 654) THAT HAD BEEN KILLED BY SMALL ARMS FIRE. ONE CHICOM ASSAULT RIFLE, 782 GEAR, 17 CHICOM GRENADES, 2 BOXES OF 12.7 AMMUNITION, ONE 12.7 MACHINE GUN TRIPOD AND DOCUMENTS WERE ALSO CAPTURED. ONE VC ARMED WITH AN AK-47 RIFLE SURRENDERED AT THE THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES COMMAND POST (YD 039 649). IN THE SAME AREA A VC HIDING IN A TREE THREW ONE CONCUSSION GRENADE AT A MARINE ENROUTE TO A WATERPOINT. A SQUAD IMMEDIATELY SWEEPED THE AREA AND CAPTURED ONE VC, ONE AK-47 RIFLE, 2 MAGAZINES, AND 40 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. ONE VC WAS KILLED BY CO K, THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES AT (YD 036 641),

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WHEN HE TRIPPED A FLARE. ONE RECON PLATOON INSERTED AT (XD 960 600), TWELVE MILES WEST OF DONG HA, OBSERVED THIRTY-FIVE VC AND SIX GROUPS OF FIVE VC EACH DRESSED IN DARK UNIFORMS, MOVING SOUTHEAST AWAY FROM THE LANDING ZONE. ANOTHER RECON PLATOON AT (XD 978 550) OBSERVED FLASHLIGHTS IN THE VALLEY SOUTH OF THEIR POSITION AND CALLED IN ARTILLERY WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. THE PLATOON AGAIN OBSERVED LIGHTS AT (XD 978 550) AND RECALLED ARTILLERY WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

(B) CUMULATIVE RESULTS:

USMC	VC
28 KIA	145 KIA (138 GROUND; 7 KBA)
58 WIA	143 KIA (POSS) (119 GRD; 24 KBA)
	3 VCC
	51 WEAPONS CAPTURED

TWO F-4 AIRCRAFT OF VMFA-323 BOMBED STRUCTURES THIRTY-ONE MILES NORTHWEST OF PHU BAI (YD 483 445) AND ESTIMATED THAT FIFTEEN STRUCTURES WERE DESTROYED. TWO F-4 AIRCRAFT OF VMFA-542 WERE SCRAMBLED TO THE SAME AREA (YD 483 442), AND WERE CREDITED WITH THE DESTRUCTION OF FIFTEEN STRUCTURES, AND ONE SECONDARY

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III MAF DAILY SITREP NR 199, 180001H-182400H JULY 1966
IS OP SUMMARY
A. OP MACON, 9TH MAR CONT S&D CPNS IN QUANG NAM PROV WITH
NO CONTACT.
B. OP HASTINGS. TASK FORCE DELTA, ASSUMING OPCON 3/5 MAR
AT 180700H, CONT OPS IN QUANG TRI PROV UTILIZING 2/4 MAR, 3/4
MAR, 2/1 MAR, 1/3 MAR AND 3/5 MAR AS MANEUVER ELEMENTS; AND
3/12 MAR, 2 BIRYS OF 4/12 MARS, AND ONE 4.2 BTRY OF 1/11 MAR
AS ARTY SPT, WITH 1ST MARS AND 2 BNS ON CALL.
AT 180320H CO H/2/1 BNS 13 VC VIC (XD 995982), CALLED IN ARTY
BNS, 1 MG, 500 RDS 7.62 AMMO AND 782 GEAR
RTD AT 181021H 3/4 OP RECD SA FIRE FROM 1 VC RTND SA AND
1 MM WITH UNK RESULTS. 1 USMC WIA (MED EVAC), AT 181945H CO
H/2/1 ENCOUNTERED 13 VC VIC (XD 995582), FIRED SA CALLED IN
ARTY. 4 USMC WIA (MED EVAC), 1 VC KIA (COA), AT 181100H CO
H/2/1 PTL RECD SA FIRE FROM 1 VC VIC (XD 995543), RTD SA WITH

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UNK RESULTS, 1 USMC KIA (CHILD EVAC), 41 INTRUSION (2227) LAUNCHED
AMMO BUNKER VIC (XD 894585), CPTRD OF RDS NMM AND 82 MG MORT.
AT 181307H A TACTICAL CONTROL IN LANDING IN LZ CROW VIC (YD
8368) WITH 3/5 MAR RECD AF FIRE, RTND SA, BBLIC POW, 1 USMC
KIA, 1 VC KIA (CONF), 2 VC WIA (CONF), 1 MC CPTRD, AT 181315H
E/2/1 RECD SA FIRE, RTND SA AND ASLTD VC POW, 2 VC KIA (CONF),
1 CHICOM MG, ONE 30 CAL RIFLE CPTRD, AT 181425H MC M/3/5
LANDED IN LZ CROW VIC (YD 8368), RECD SA, MADE CONTACT WITH
VC ELEMENTS VIC (YD 843625), RTND SIMON, CALLED AIR STRIKE,
2 VC KIA (CONF), 5 MC KIA, 5 USMC REACHED EVAC, 1 WHEELED
M/2 MG, 1 AT WPN, 10 IND RIFLES CPTRD, AT 181615H 1ST PLAT
MORT FIRE VIC (YD 848649), AIR STRIKE CALLED, 2 COS SENT TO
ASSIST, CONTACT EST WITH 1ST PLAT M/3/4 AT 181610H, AIR AND
ARTY STRIKES RED ENEMY FIRE, ALL EVAC BY 181630H, 24 USMC WIA
(MED EVAC), 14 USMC KIA, 1 MIA, VC LOSSES UNK, AT 181720H CO
M/2/4 OBSR 5 VC VIC (YD 849662), ESTABLISHED AMB, 2 VC KIA
(CONF), 3 VC WIA (CONF), AT 181730H CO L/2/5 VIC (YD 850612)
MADE CONTACT WITH 20 VC, RTND SA/AV, 2 VC KIA (CONF), 1
CHICOM SMG AND ONE 30 CAL MG CPTRD.

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- PLANS SUMMARY
- (1) OP MACON. 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NAM PROV.
- (2) OP HASTINGS. TASK FORCE DELTA CONT OPS IN QUANG TRI PROV.
- MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS.
- MACON: NO CHANGE
- HASTINGS: US LOSSES: 48 KIA, 147 WIA, 1 KIA
ENEMY LOSSES: 199 KIA (77000), 22 KB40
66 WPNS, 4 VC

MAC YAC AIR STRIKE SORTIES: 224
UNK RESULTS NAVAL GUN FIRE: NONE
FRIENDLY INITIATED SMALL UNIT CONTACTS: 10

COORD	DTE	FRD UNIT	LOSSES	EN UNIT	LOSSES
SIANG TIM					
BT 180251	181120H	A-1	1	1	1
BT 180222	181220H	A-1	1	1	1
BT 181318	181410H	A-1	1	1	1
BT 182915	181655H	B-1	1	1	1
BT 182915	181900H	B-1	1	1	1

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BT 480075	182000H (C)	G/2/5/NONE	UNK/2 VCC	DEF
BT 390118	182120H (C)	C/1/5/NONE	UNK/NONE	PTL
QUANG NAM				
BT 082641	180820H (C)	I/3/1/NONE	UNK/UNK	DEF
ATHDOCTOR	180940H (C)	H/2/9/NONE	UNK/UNK	PTL
AT 843562	181055H (C)	F/2/9/NONE	UNK/1 KIA	PTL
BT 171577	181130H (C)	I/1/1/1 WIA	UNK/UNK	CONVOY
BT 083592	181300H (C)	B/1/1/NONE	UNK/UNK	PTL
THUA THIEN				
VD 971083	180300H (C)	C/1/4/1 KIA	UNK/2 KIA	AMB
		1 WIA	1 TSMG	
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PART I - US FORCES

C. OBJECTIVES

PROVINCE	LOCATION	TYPE	NAME	INIT/TERM
C1	(AT 9751)	S&D	MAGON	051500H/CORT
C2	(KD 9960)	S&D	HASTINGS	071800H/CORT

D. FORCES

UNIT	OBJ	INIT/TERM	INIT BY	AIRSBT	NGF
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D1	C1	NONE	US	NONE	NONE
D2	C2	180005H/182100H	US	04/2-4 USMC	NONE
				14/2-4 USMC	
				2/2-4 USMC	

K. LOSSES/DAM

K1. ENEMY LOSSES

UNIT	SIZE/UNIT ID	KIA/VCC	WPNS	AMMO
D1	UNK/UNK	NONE	NONE	NONE
D2	UNK/UNK	04/0	12 RIFLES, 500, AND CARBINES 5 MG	62 R03 B1 & 10MM HORT 500 R03 7.62 MM

K3. FRIENDLY LOSSES

UNIT	SIZE/UNIT ID	KIA/WIA/CPYND/WIA	WPNS	AMMO
D1	UNK/UNK	NONE	NONE	NONE
D2	UNK/UNK	20/39/0/0	NONE	NONE

K5. TOTAL FRIENDLY INITIATED SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITHOUT CONTACT: 435

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1. DECK HOUSE II (U) SITREP NR 13 AS OF 00PWPPZ.
2. TASK ORGANIZATION
 - A. TG 76.5 AMPHIB READY GROUP CONSISTING OF PRINCETON (CTG 76.5, HMM363, TACRON DET AND BJU DET EMB), ALAMO, PICKAWAY, LOFBERG (COM-DESDIV 213 EMB), WHITE RIVER.
 - B. SLF ASHORE UNDER OPCON CG TF DELTA. HMM363 CONTINUES UTILIZE PRINCETON AS OP BASE.
3. ACTIONS
 - A. TG 76.5 MAINTAINING STATION VIC THACH HAN RIVER MOUTH NORTH OF QUANG TRI, PROVIDING SUPPORT FOR OPS ASHORE.
 - B. LOFBERG, WHITE RIVER UNDER OPCON CTU 70.8.9 FOR DIRECT NGF SUPPORT OP HASTINGS.

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(1) BLT 3/5 CONDUCTING S&D OPS IN ASSIGNED AREAS ASHORE OF HASTINGS.

(2) AT 181730H, CO L MADE CONTACT WITH EST 20 NAVA IN KHAKI UNIFORMS VIC YD 060617. ENEMY OPENED FIRE WITH MACHINE GUNS, AUTO WEPS. MACHINE GUN SILENCED WITH TWO VC KIA (BC) FIVE VC KIA (PROB). ONE CHINESE SUB-MACHINE GUN AND ONE 30 CAL MG DESTROYED. ONE USMC KIA, FIVE USMC WIA FROM THE ENGAGEMENT. CAPTURED EQUIPT INCLUDES: ONE CHINESE SUB-MG, ONE ANTI-TANK ROCKET LAUNCHER.

(3) CP LOCATIONS (182300H)

BLT CP - YD 076605

CO I - YD 070596

CO K - YD 065607

CO L - YD 049619

CO M - YD 048622

105 BTRY - YD 117579

RECON TMS - YD 080597/YD 066605/YD 092619

(4) CASUALTIES

(A) DURING PERIOD

ENEMY - 2 KIA (BC), 5 KIA (PROB)

USMC - 1 KIA, 5 WIA

(B) CUMULATIVE (DECK HOUSE II AND HASTINGS)

ENEMY - 22 KIA, 30 KIA (PROB), 2 WIA (CONF), 15 WIA (PROB).

USMC A 6 KIA, 10 WIA

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4. INTENTIONS

A. CONTINUE SUPPORT OF OPS ASHORE.

B. UNREP ALL UNITS AM 20 JULY.

5. ACTIONS REQUIRED OF HIGHER AUTHORITY: NONE.

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S E C R E T

1. DECK HOUSE II (U) SPUREP NR 14 AS OF 191400Z.
2. TASK ORGANIZATION
 - A. TG 76.5 AMPHIB READY GROUP CONSISTING OF PRINCETON (CTG 76.5, HMM 363, TACRON DET AND BJU DET EMB), ALAMO, PICKAWAY, LOFBERG (COMDES DIV 213 EMB), WHITE RIVER
 - B. SLF ASHORE UNDER OPCON CG TG DELTA. HMM 363 CONTINUES UTILIZE PRINCETON AS OP BASE.
3. ACTIONS
 - A. TG 76.5 MAINTAINING STATION VIC THACH HAN RIVER MOUTH NORTH OF QUANG TRI.

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B. SLP

- (1) BLT 3/5 CONDUCTING S & D OPS IN OP HASTINGS.
- (2) OPS

YD 053607. CALLED IN AIR STRIKE WITH GOOD COVERAGE BUT UNK RESULTS.

(B) CO L MADE CONTACT AT YD 045623. FOUR ENEMY KIA (BC),
2 WIA (CONF). THREE AUTO-WEPS CAPTURED.

- (3) CP LOCATIONS *)91645H

BLT CP - YD 075605

CO I - YD 069598

CO K - YD 050608

CO L - YD 040620

CO M - YD 058620

105 BTRY - YD 115579

RECON TMS - 080595/092619

- (4) CASUALTIES

(A) DURING PERIOD (REPORTED SINCE LAST SITREP)

ENEMY - 4 KIA (BC), 2 WIA (CONF)

USMC - 1 KIA, 5 WIA

(B) CUMULATIVE (DECKHOUSE II AND HASTINGS)

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(PROB) ENEMY - 26 KIA (BC), 30 KIA (PROB), 4 WIA (CONF), 15 WIA

USMC - 7 KIA, 15 IWA

4. INTENTIONS

A. CONTINUE SUPPORT OF OPS ASHORE.

5. ACTIONS REQUIRED OF HIGHER AUTHORITY: NONE.

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1. (C) I CTZ: OP HASEINGSSNLAM SON UEIO CONT KYISIGNIFICANT CONTACT. CUM RES: FRD: USMC: 31 KIA, 129 VIA, ARVN: 14 KIA, 16 VIA; VC: 336 KIA (BC), 3 VCC, 62 IND WPNS, 8 C/S. 224 AIR SORTIES HAVE SUPPORTED. NO NAVAL GUNFIRE.

2. (C) II CTZ.

A. 1/327 INF CLOSED VIC TUY HOA (CQ1648) AT 191550H.
B. I RTV REPORTS: IN PLEIKU PROV, 60 KM SW OF PLEIKU CITY, AT 191720H, A MID AIR COLLISION OCCURRED BZPWEEN AN UXMY

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UH1D HELICOPTER AND AN ARMY O1D AIRCRAFT. THE UH1D CRASHED AND BURNED VIC YA816075, KILLING ALL SIX OCCUPANTS. THE O1D CRASHED VIC YA825075, WHERE PARTS OF THE AIRCRAFT'S WINGS, SEAT AND THE PILOT'S HELMET WERE FOUND. THE PILOT IS MIA.

3. (U& III CTZ.

A. NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT.

4. (C) IV CTZ.

A. SIGNIFICANT TACTICAL ACTIVITY DURING THE PASSED 24 HOURS WAS 5 SMALL SCALE ARVN OPERATIONS AND 10 FRIENDLY AMBUSHES CONDUCTED THROUGHOUT THE CORPS TACTICAL ZONE. AMBUSHES WERE SQUAF TO COMPANY IN SIZE. CUM RESULTS: FRD: 3 KIA, 29 VIA ((1 US& EN: 37 VC KIA (BC), 20 VCC, 38 VCS, 21 IND & 1 C/S WPNS SEIZED. 33 TAC AIR SORTIES SPTD. NO NGF.

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1. MAP DAILY SITREP NR200 FOR PERIOD 190001-190400N JUL68
1. OPN SUMMARY.

A. OP MACON. 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NAM PROV WITH LIGHT CONTACT.

B. OP HASTINGS. TASK FORCE DELTA CONT OP IN QUANG TRI PROV WITH LIGHT CONTACT. RESULTS OF K/3/4 CONTACT DESCRIBED IN SITREP NR199 WHICH OCCURED AT 181615H VIC (YD 040649). TWO PLATS (65 MEN) OF CO K/3/4 MAR WERE ASSIGNED WSN OF REAR SQTY FOR BN COLUMN. VC INITIATED ATTACK WITH MORTARS, SEPARATING REAR SQTY FROM THE COLUMN, THEN ASSAULTED WITH 1000 MEN, AIR STRIKES AND ARTY FIRE WERE CALLED IN ON VC WHO HAD BUNCHED UP IN THEIR ASLT. THE 2 PLATS AND CO SENT TO ASSIST THEM, JOINED UP, AND MOVED BACK TO THE COLUMN UNDER SA FIRE. DUE TO HV LOSSES INFLICTED BY AIR AND ARTY, THE VC DID NOT PHYSICALLY PURSUE MARINES. FINAL RESULTS, 14 USMC KIA, 33 USMC WIA, 1 USMC MIA, VCS 138 KIA (CONF).

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AT 190230Z H&2/4 OBS 8 VC, BOTH UNITS FIRED SA SI- MULTANEVOUSLY 2 USMC KIA, 2 USMC WIA, 3 VC KIA (CONF), 1 SMC CPTRD. AT 190730Z CORPSMAN FROM H&5/2/4 FOUND 1 SXS RIFLE (YD 107066). AT 191030H 3/5 MAR RECOVERED 2 VC KIA (CONF) AND NUMBER OF WEAPONS AND 782 GEAR FROM SITE OF BATTLE OF THE 18TH OF JULY VIC (YD 043623). AT 191210H 2/3/5 MAR. REC'D AW FROM VC PLAT, HIND SA AND ASLTD, 4 VC KIA (CONF), 2 VC WIA, 2 AW, 1 RIFLE, AND 782 GEAR CPTRD. AT 191408Z K/3/5 MAR SEARCHED POS VIC (YD 058508), OBSR 3 VC HINDING AREA, FIRED SA, 1 VC WIA, 3 GRENS CPTRD. AT 191815H CO K/3/5 MAR FOUND 1 VC KIA (C) VIC (YD 049504), 1 RIFLE WITH MAGNET, 9 GRENS, 9 UNIFORMS, LARGE CACHE OF PACKS, EQUIPMENT, SUPPLIES, RICE, AND AMMO CPTRD.

3. PLANS SUMMARY

- (1) OP MACON. 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NAM PROV.
- (2) OP HASTINGS. TASK FORCE DELTA CONT OPS IN QUANG TRI PROV.

3. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS.

- (1) MACON: NO CHANGE
- (2) HASTINGS. 18 LOSSES: 70 KIA, 120 WIA, 1 MIA

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ENEMY LOSSES: 322 KIA (COUNT) (350 GND, 22KBA)
75 WPNS, 5 VCS

CUM TAC AIRSTRIKE SORTIES: 293
CUM RESULTS NKVAL GUN FIRE: NON
D. FRIENDLY INITIATED SMALL UNIT CONTACTS: 34

PROV/COORD	DTG	FRD UNIT/LOSSES	EN UNIT/LOSSES	TYPE ACTION
QUANG TIN				
BT 385098	182000H (N)	C/1/4/NONE	UNK/3 GREN	PTL
BT 455065	182100H (N)	G/2/5/NONE	UNK/1 VCS	DEF
BT 461085	182250H (N)	H/2/5/NONE	UNK/NONE	DEF
BT 434088	190100H (N)	H/2/5/NONE	UNK/NONE	DEF
BT 401117	190600H (D)	C/1/5/NONE	UNK/1 VCS	PTL
BT 398111	191015H (D)	C/1/5/NONE	UNK/1 VCS	PTL
BT 101226	191030H (D)	A/1/REC/NONE	UNK/UNK	OP
BT 396110	191055H (D)	B/1/5/NONE	UNK/1 VCS	PTL
BT 319152	191155H (D)	C/1/REC/NONE	UNK/NONE	OP
QUANG NGAI				
BT 654045	190445H (N)	A/1/7/NONE	UNK/3 KIA	PTL
BT 646019	190615H (D)	A/1/7/NONE	UNK/2 VCS	S&D

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BT 645007	190620H (D)	A/1/7/NONE	UNK/2 KIA	S&D
BT 648011	190630H (D)	A/1/7/NONE	UNK/NONE	S&D
BT 646014	190745H (D)	A/1/7/NONE	UNK/2 VCS	S&D
BT 656035	190920H (D)	A/1/7/NONE	UNK/1 VCS	S&D
BT 654036	191300H (D)	A/1/7/NONE	UNK/1 KIA, 1 FRENCH 7.5MM LMG, 33 RDS 7.5MM, 3 MAG, 1 MAG POUCH	S&D
BS 672978	191355H (D)	D/1/7/NONE	UNK/NONE	PTL
BS 464884	191410H (D)	C/1/REC/NONE	UNK/UNK	OP
BS 536497	191200H (D)	I/3/7/NONE	UNK 1 VCS	DEF
BS 664985	191820H (D)	D/1/7/NONE	UNK/1 VCS/ 1 M-26 GREN	DEF
BS 571921	181500H (D)	M/3/7/NONE	UNK/1 VCS	DEF
BS 595975	192000H (N)	C/1/7/1 WIA	UNK/UNK	PTL
BS 555993	192250H (N)	K/3/7/NONE	UNK/UNK	DEF
BS 595970	192230H (N)	C/1/7/NONE	UNK/NONE	PTL
QUANG TIN				
BT 335107	191105H (D)	11TH MAR/NONE	UNK/NONE	ARTY FM
BT 320148	191437H (D)	C/1/REC/NONE	UNK/UNK	PTL

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1. DECK HOUSE II (U) SITREP NR 15 AS OF 200200Z;
2. TASK ORGANIZATION
 - A. TG 76.5 AMPHIB READY GROUP CONSISTING OF PRINCETON (CTG 76.5, HMM 363, TACRON DET AND BJU DET EMB), ALAMO, PICKAWAY, WHITE RIVE, JOHN A. BOLE (COMDESDIV 213 EMB).
 - B. SLF ASHORE UNDER OPCON CG TF DELTA. HMM 363 CONTINUES UTILIZE PRINCETON AS OP BASE.
3. ACTIONS
 - A. TG 76.5 MAINTAINS STATION VIC THACH HAN RIVER MOUTH NORTH OF QUANG TRI IN SUPPORT OF OPS ASHORE.

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- B. SLF
 1. BLT 3/5 CONDUCTING S & D OPS IN ASSIGNED AREAS OP HASTINGS.
 2. NO NEW CONTACT. CP LOCATIONS (0945H):
BLT CP - YD 075605
CO I - YD 070602
CO K - YD 050605
COM M & L - YD 039618
 - C. JOHN A. BOLE (DD 755) RELIEVED LOFBERG ON STATION FOR NGFS.
 - D. UNREPPED ALL UNITS.

4. INTENTIONS
 - A. CONTINUE SUPPORT OF OPS ASHORE.
5. ACTIONS REQUIRED OF HIGHER AUTHORITY: NONE

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1. (C) I CTZ:90, #58, &/LAM SON 289 CONTINUES. 1/1 USMC
 WAS HELILIFTED INTO AN LZ (YD0761) AT 201100H. AT 201455H, 1/1
 REPORTED AN EST 2 OR 3 VC PLATS WELL DRG IN (YD045628, 047629, AND
 050629). AIRSTRIKES CALLED ON TARGET. NO RESULTS AVAILABLE. 3/5
 USMC REPORTED LIGHT CONTACT RESULTING IN 3 VC KIA (YD022610).
 CUMULATIVE RESULTS: FRD: USMC: 51 KIA, 129 WIA, ARVN: 15 KIA,
 19 WIA, VC: 376 KIA (HS BC), 6 VCC, 75 IWPNS, 9 C/S WPNS. 443
 (293 USMC, 150 USAF) AIR SORTIES HAVE SUPPORTED.

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2. (U) II, III, IV CTZ: NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED.
 3. (C) LT/JG DIETER DENGLER WAS PICKED UP 20 NM NORTH
 OF THE DMZ AT 201200H JUL. LT DENGLER, A NAVY PILOT, WAS SHOT
 DOWN 1 FEB 66, ON A ROLLING THUNDER MISSION, 1742N/10515E, WHILE
 PILOTING A NAVY AIR FLOWN FROM AIRCRAFT CARRIER RANGER. LT
 DENGLER ESCAPED ON OR ABOUT 27 JUNE 66 FROM NVN POW CAMP. HE
 ESCAPED AND EVADED FOR APPROX 23 DAYS. ON 20 JUL LT DENGLER WAS
 OBSERVED BY FRIENDLY ACFT, WHO PASSED THE INFORMATION BACK TO
 THE SAR NET. AN AIR RES CAP WAS LAUNCHED TO RECONNOITER AND
 OBSERVED DENGLER IN A RIVER BED WAVING WHITE STRIPS OF CLOTH
 AND DISPLAYING INTERNATIONAL SOS MARKERS ON THE GROUND. A USAF
 RESCUE HELO SUBSEQUENTLY PICKED DENGLER UP AND FLEW HIM TO DANANG,
 WHERE HE WAS ADMITTED TO THE III MAF DISPENSARY. REPORTS FROM
 DANANG INDICATED DENGLER WAS IN A STATE OF SHOCK AND HIS FEET
 WERE BADLY LACERATED. DENGLER INDICATED ANOTHER PRISONER WHO
 ESCAPED WITH HIM WAS RECAPTURED AND REPORTEDLY BEHEADED. FURTHER
 INTERROGATION OF THE ESCAPEE WILL OCCUR AT A LATER TIME.

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1. (C) I CTZ. OP HASTINGS/LAM SON 289 CONTINUES WITH LIGHT CONTACT. A CLOSE AIR SUPPORT STRIKE YESTERDAY RESULTED IN ONE BOMB FALLING SHORT ON FRIENDLY TROOPS. 3 MARINES WERE KIA AND 4 WIA. 1/1 USMC RECEIVED 50 RDS OF 81 MM MORTAR AT 210015H RESULTING IN 3 WIA. 1/1 WILL SWEEP AREA STRUCK BY AIR YESTERDAY WHERE 3 VC PLTS WERE REPORTED ON MY 201228Z PARA 1. ARVN UNITS ARE PRESENTLY LOG AS FOLLOWS: ABN TF - YD035506, 2D ABN BN - YD035506, 6TH ABN BN - YD040510, 8TH ABN BN - YD035506 1ST REGT - YB160658, 1/1 - YD165652, 2/1 - YB160658.4

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CUM RESULTS: USMC: 54 KIA, 165 WIA, 1 MIA, ARVN: 15 KIA, 19 WIA, 1 MIA, 12 IND WPNS DEST. VC: 385 KIA, 6 VCC, 75 IND WPNS, 9 C/S WPNS. 443 AIR SORTIES HAVE SUPPORTED. 1 NGF MISSION HAS SUPPORTED.

2. (C) II CTZ.

A. IN PLEIKU PROV. 15 KM S OF PLEIKU, AT 200800H, A UH1 HELICOPTER WENT DOWN. ALL NINE PERSONS ON BOARD WERE INJURED. CAUSE OF CRASH AND DAMAGE TO AIRCRAFT UNKNOWN.

B. IN PLEIKU PROV. 40 KM S OF PLEIKU, ON 20 JULY (TIME UNK), A UH1B HELICOPTER CRASHED AND BURNED RESULTING IN FOUR KIA. CAUSE OF CRASH UNK.

3. (C) III CTZ. OP SYDNEY II A 1 BN S/D OP CONTROLLED BY 1ST ATF BEGAN 200620H WITH 5 BAR CONDUCTING S/D OP IN AREA 10 KM N OF BA RIA VIC YS4473. EN OB FOR OP AREA IS: 860TH LF BN VIC YS438343. OP CONTINUES WITH LIGHT CONTACT. NEG AIR SORTIES. NO NGF.

4. (U) IV CTZ. NO SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY REPORTED.

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III MAF DAILY SITREP 201 FOR PD 200001-202400H JUL66

I. OP SUMMARY
A. OP MACON. 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NAM PROVINCE WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 201135H 3/9TH MAR OP VIC (AT 959472) OBSR 4 VC VIC (AT 957452), CALLED IN 105MM, 1 VC KIA (CONF), 2 WIA (PROB). AT 201200H CO K/3/9 MAR RECD 30 RDS SA FIRE FROM VIC (AT 938520), RTND 90 RDS WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 201520H CO I 3/9 MAR PTL DEST M-16AL AP NINE, 1 USMC WIA. AT 201545H CO H/3/9 RECD SA FIRE VIC (AT 945520), CALLED IN ARTY MSN WITH UNK REYLTS.
B. OP HASTINGS. TASK FORCE DELTA, ASSUMING OPCON 2/9 MAR DURING PD, COMS OPS IN QUANG TRI PROV WITH 7 INF BNS (2/4, 3/4, 2/1, 1/3, 3/5, 1/1, AND 2/9) AND 3/12MAR, 2 BTRYS OF 4/12, AND ONE 4.2 BTRY OF 1/11 AS ARTY SPT; WITH 1ST MAR CMD GRP AND 2 BNS ON CALL. AT 200945H CO M/3/5 MADE CONTACT WITH 3 VC VIC (YD 029616), FIRED SA, 1 VC KIA (CONF). AT 201100H CO D/1/1 VIC (YD 055619) DISCOVERED

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4 BODIES, 4 VC KIA (CONF). AT 201130H CO M/3/5 VIC (YD 022610) MADE CONTACT WITH 4 VC, FIRED SA AND ASLTD POS, 2 VC KIA (CONF), 2 VCC, 2 CHICOM 7.62 RIFLES, 70 PACKS, 782 GEAR, 15 BOXES AMMO AND MANY DOCUMENTS. AT 201215H CO L/3/5 VIC (YD 030614) MADE CONTACT WITH 1 VC, FIRED SA, 1 VC KIA (CONF). AT 201215H CO M/3/5 MAR LOCATED A VC REGT OR DIV CP AREA, 1 LMG, 1 M-14, 40 LBS DOCUMENTS, 150 PACKS AND EQUIP, 1 RUNSACK WITH MEDICAL SUPPLIES, 30 GREN (WOOD HANDLED). AT 201220H CO D/1/1 MAR VIC (YD 049623) AND (YD 047623) RECD MG FIRE FROM 2 VC, RTND SA, CALLED AIRSTRIKE, 1 USMC WIA (MED EVAC), 2 VC KIA (CONF). AT 201255H CO H/2/4 MAR VIC (YD 048640) FOUND BIVOUAC AREA WITH 200 FIGHTING POS; 2 CHICOM GRENS, 37 BOXES 12.7MM AMMO, PACKS, EQUIPS, ENTRENCHING TOOLS, PICKS, AND ASSORTED DOCUMENTS CPTRD. AT 201315H CO D/1/1 RECD AW FIRE FROM 5 VC VIC (YD 045625), CALLED IN AIR AND ARTY WITH UNK RESULTS, 1 USMC KIA. AT 201620H CO X/3/5 VIC (YD 044598) FOUND BIVOUAC AREA CONTAINING 150 PACKS AND DOCUMENTS OF VARIOUS TYPES. AT 201700H CO D/1/1 VIC (YD 276252) FOUND 4 VC KIA (CONF), 2 RIFLES AND ASSORTED 782 GEAR. AT 201500H CO A/1/3 VIC (YD 228558) MADE CONTACT WITH 24 VC, WHO FIRED 400 RDS SA PTL RTND 450 RDS SA, 5 VC KIA (PROB). AT 201630H CO L/3/5 VIC (YD 025610) MADE CONTACT WITH 2 VC,

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FIRED SA, 2 VC KIA (CONF). AT 201745H MED EVAC HEL VIC (YD 057655) RECD 1 RD MORT 5 FEET FROM RIGHT STRUT, 5 USMC WIA, 1 UH-34 ACFT SUBSTANTIALLY DAMAGED. AT 201945H CO E/2/4 VIC (YD 038652) RECD 25 RDS 81MM, CALLED IN 81MM AND 105MM WITH UNK RESULTS, NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES. AT 202105H CO F/2/1 VIC (XD BOTTITTD) MADE CONTACT WITH UNK NUMBER VC, CALLED IN ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS, 1 USMC KIA, 1 USMC WIA. AT 202015H CO L/3/5 VIC (YD 019609) OBS 14 VC, SET UP HAST AMB, 7 VC KIA (CONF), 7 RIFLES AND 1 CAL .50 MG CPTRD. AT 201500H CO D/1/3 SQD PTL VIC (YD 228558) RECD SA FIRE FROM 15 VC, RTND SA, 9 MORE VC FIRED ON PTL FROM DIFFERENT LOCATION, 2 ARMED UH-1E ACFT ENGAGED VC AT SQD LEADERS DIRECTION, 30 VC KIA (CONF). AT 202355H CO 1/1 MAR CP VIC (YD 051620) RECD 50 RDS 81MM FROM VIC (YD 027620), CALLED IN ARTY WITH UNK RESULTS, 3 USMC WIA (MED EVAC). AT 201800H 3/4TH MAR PLAT PTL VIC (YD 060660) ENCOUNTERED UNK NUMBER VC, 2 PLATS SENT TO ASSIST, 1 PLAT SWEEPED AREA, 1 USMC KIA, 11 USMC WIA (MED EVAC) 10 RDS 81MM MORT, 1 BASE PLATE, 1 BIPOD, THREE .50 CAL MG, 1 CLHCOM CARBINE AND NUMEROUS GRENS CPTRD, VC CASUALTIES UNK.
B. PLANS SUMMARY
(1) OP MACON. 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NAM PROV.

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(2) OP HASTINGS. TASK FORCE DELTA CONT OPS IN QUANG TRI PROV.
(C) MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) MACON US LOSSES: 8 KIA, 39 WIA
ENEMY LOSSES: 185 KIA (CONF) (128 GND, 57 KBA) 386 KIA (PROB)
(261 GND 125 KBA) 26 VCS, 2 WPNS

CUM TAC AIRSTRIKE SORTIES: 22
CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUN FIRE: NONE
(2) HASTING: US LOSSES: 56 KIA, 164 WIA, 1 MIA
ENEMY LOSSES: 410 KIA (CONF) (386 GND, 24 KBA) 579 KIA (PROB)
(555 GND 24 KBA) 93 WPNS, 4 VCC.

CUM TAC AIRSTRIKE SORTIES: 358
CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUN FIRE: NONE
D. FRIENDLY INITIATED SMALL UNIT CONTACTS: 15

PROV/COORD	DTG	FRD UBIT/LOSSES	EN UNIT/LOSSES	TYPICAL ACTION
QUANG TIN				
BT 365093	201031H (D)	C/1/5/NONE	UNK/UNK	PTL
BT 296157	201045H (D)	C/1/RECON/NONE	UNK/2 KIA	OP
BT 398078	201414H (D)	A/1/TK/NONE	UNK/UNK	PTL
BT 384066	201600H (D)	H/2/5/NONE	UNK/2 VCS 50 LBS RICE	PTL

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BT 423095	201800H (D)	H/2/5/NONE	UNK/ 2 VCS	DEF
QUANG NGAI				
BS 588897	201245H (D)	M/4/11/NONE	UNK/UNK	ARTY FM
BS 535863	201310H (D)	M/4/11/NONE	UNK/NONE	ARTY FM
BS 600976	202230H (N)	C/1/7/NONE	UNK/NONE	PTL
BS 575920	202235H (N)	I/3/7/NONE	UNK/NONE	DEF
QUANG NAM				
BT 090579	201005H (D)	K/3/2/2 WIA	UN/UNK	PTL
AT 947547	202015H (N)	B/1/9/NONE	UNK/UNK	DEF
AT 925537	201015H (D)	B/1/9/NONE	UNK/1 KIA	PTL
BT 100622	201200H (D)	A/1/1/NONE	UNK/12 VCS/ 1 CLR HAND GREN, 1 M-26 GREN	OP

AT 926584 201845H (D) B/1/9/ NONE UNK/UNK OP
BT 075670 201600H (D) K/3/1/NONE UNK/UNK PTL

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C. OBJECTIVES

PROVINCE	LOCATION	TYPE	NAME	INIT/TERM
C1 QUANG NAM	(AT 9751)	S&D	MACON	051500H/CONT
C2 QUANG TRI	KXD 9960)	S&D	HASTINGS	071600H/CONT

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1 DECK HOUSE II (U) SITREP NR 17 AS OF 210200Z.
2. TASK ORGANIZATION
A. TG 76.5 AMPHIB READY GROUP CONSISTING OF PRINCETON (CTG 76., HMM363, TACRON DET AND BJU DET EMB), ALAMO, PICKAWAY, WHITE RIVER, JOHN A. BOLE (COMDESDIV 213 EMB).
B. SLF ASHORE UNDER OPCON CG TF DELTA. HMM363 CONTINUES UTILIZE PRINCETON AS OP BASE.
3. ACTIONS
A. TG 76.5 MAINTAINING STATION VIC THHACH HAN RIVER MOUTH NORTH OF QUANG TRI IN SUPPORT OF OPS ASHORE.
B. SLF

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- (1) BLT 3/5 CONDUCTING S&D OPS IN OP HASTINGS.
(2) CP LOCATION (210750H)
BLT CP - YD 0075605
90 CO I - YD 0585
CO K - YD 044598
CO L - YD 026612
CO M - YD 025611
105 BTRY - YD 115579
(3) CO L CONDUCTED SUCCESSFUL AMBUSH VIC YD 018600.
7 ENEMY KIA, CAPTURED 7 WEPS INCLUDING .50 CAL M/G.
(4) CASUALTIES
(A) DURING PERIOD (SINCE LAST SITREP REPORT)
ENEMY: 11 KIA, 1 WIA, 2 CAPTURED
USMC: 10 WIA
(B) CUMULATIVE (DECK HOUSE 11 AND HASTINGS)
ENEMY: 37 KIA, 30 KIA (PROB), 5 WIA (CONF), 15 WIA (PROB),
22 CAPTURED
USMC 7 KIA, 25 WIA
C. SUPPORT REQUEST FOR ADD'L HELO SQDN TO EMBARK PRINCETON WAS
CANCELLED.

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4. INTENTIONS

A. CONTINUE SUPPORT OPS ASHORE.

5. ACTIONS REQUIRED OF HIGHER AUTHORITY: NONE.

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1. (C) I CTZ

A. OP HASTING/LAM SON 289 CONTINUES WITH LIGHT CONTACT.
AT 201700H, VIC YD055655 ELEMENTS OF 3/4 (USMC) MADE CONTACT WITH
EST 75 VC. A/S CALLED AND DELIVERED. CONTACT BROKEN AT 201930H.
RESULTS: USMC: 6 KIA, 27 WIA; VC: 8 KIA (RES NOT COMPLETE),
3 IND WPNS, 3 C/S WPNS, AND MISC EQUIPMENT AND AMMO. 2/9 (USMC)
HELIFTED TO DONG HA COMPLETED 202040H. NOW HAS MSN OF TF
RESERVE. OP LAM SON 289 RPTD NEG CONTACT.

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B. CUM RESULTS:

	FRIENDLY		
	HASTINGS/LAM SON 289	ARVN	MACON
KIA	54	15	8
WIA	135	19	39
MIA	1	1	
			VIET CONG
KIA	385		131
VCC	6		1
VCS			25
IND WPNS	75		
C/S WPNS	9		
AIR			
SORTIES	443		22
NGF	1		

2. (C) II CTZ

A. ALL MAJOR OPNS CONTINUE WITHOUT SIGNIFICANT
CONTACT REPORTED OR CHANGE IN MISSION.

B. CUM RESULTS OF OPNS IN PROGRESS FOLLOWS:

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	HAYES	M. FRIENDLY	PAUL REVERE	SU	FILLMORE
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KIA	0	1	62/16/78	22	10/20/30
WIA	0	18	290/41/331	69	94/50/144
MIA	0	0	1/10/11	0	0
			VIET CONG		
KIA	0	30	516/76/592	268	197/176/373
VCC	0	4	66/6/72	28	41/32/73
VCS	0	0	9/5/14	120	333/140/473
IND					
WPNS	0	15	210/15/225	76	47/12/59
C/S					
WPNS	0	1	16/0/16	0	0/1/1
AIR					
SORTIES	0	188	10/572	4/507	2/671
NGF	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0

3. (C) III CTZ

A. OP EL PASO II, AURORA II, KAHANA I/II, MOKULEIA, AND CEDAR RAPIDS CONTINUE WITHOUT SIGNIFICANT CONTACT.

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B. OP SYDNEY II CONTINUES WITHOUT SIGNIFICANT CONTACT AND WILL NOT BE FURTHER REPORTED UNLESS SIGNIFICANT CONTACT IS MADE. CUM RES: FRD: NEG; VC: 2 KIA, 3 VCC, 3 IND WPNS CPTRD.

C. CUM RESULTS:

FRIENDLY

	EL PASO II	AURORA II	KAHANA I/II	MOKULEIA	CEDAR RAPIDS
	US	US	US	US	US
KIA	0	0	0/0	26	3
WIA	0	7	2/0	50	9
MIA	0	0	0/0	0	0
			VIET CONG		
KIA	0	1	1/3	61	2
VCC	0	2	1/0	2	0
VCS	0	0	5/0	32	2
IND					
WPNS	0	0	4/0	15	0
C/S					
WPNS	0	0	0/0	0	0
AIR					

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SORTIES	GDRI M	9	111	63
NGF	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

4. (C) IV CTZ

A. OPN CL 72/DT, SECTOR S/D IN DINH TUONG PROV XD3949, 12 KM NW OF MY THO STARTED AT 200630H JULY AND CONTINUES. CUM RESULTS: FRD: 3 KIA, 3 WIA; VC: 9 KIA (BC), 1 VCC, 9 VCS, 3 IND WPNS CPTRD.

B. IN DINH TUONG PROV XD259499, 25 KM NW OF MY THO, A 3/4 TON TRUCK WAS MINED AT 210905H JULY. RESULTS: FRD: 13 WIA.

C. OPN LONG PHI 980, A 9TH INF DIV S/D IN VINH BINH PROV XR1195, 36 KM W OF PHU VINH STARTED AT 210700H JULY, AND CONTINUES W/O CONTACT. 2/14, 3/14 INF BN, 450 RGR BN, 2/2, 3/0

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REF: STATE 1031, SAIGON 1463
SUBJECT: DMZ VIOLATIONS

1. EMBASSY'S 1463 APPARENTLY CROSSED STATE'S 1030
ON SUBJECT GVN PROTESTS TO ICC ON DMZ VIOLATIONS. AS
SHOWN IN EMBTZL, GVN HAS VIGOROUSLY PROTESTED NVN
VIOLATIONS, AND IS PREPARING WHITE PAPER WHICH WILL
MAKE RECORD PUBLIC ON INCURSIONS. IN ADDITION, FROM PRE-
VIOUS CONSULTATION WITH EMBASSY ON SUBJECT, GVN IS SUB-
MITTING TO ICC TODAY ENERGETIC PROTEST OVER NVN CLAN-
DESTINE INFILTRATION OF SVN ACROSS DMZ. PROTEST
PEGGED TO VIET CONG ATTACK ON ARVN JULY 1# IN AREA
BETWEEN DMZ AND DONG HA, QUANG TRI PROVINCE. GVN RE-
QUESTS ICC TO EXTEND SURVEILLANCE OF ICC TEAM NO. 76
(STATIONED AT GIO LINH IN DMZ) TO WEST TO INCLUDE AREA
OF INFILTRATION, AND OFFERS GVN TRANSPORT TO TEAM FOR
SYSTEMATIC CONTROL OF DMZ.

2. THIS LATEST PROTEST DOES NOT INCLUDE INTELLIGENCE
ON NVN INFILTRATION FROM OPERATION HASTINGS. ADDITIONAL
PROTEST BASED ON SUCH INTELLIGENCE MAY BE PRO-
CEDURALLY DELAYED WEEK OR TWO OWING TO CHANGE UNDER-

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WAY IN DIRECTORS OF GVN LIAISON MISSION TO ICC AND ALSO TO DELAY IN COLLATION OF INTELLIGENCE FROM OPERATION HASTINGS.

3. WE BELIEVE, THEREFORE, THAT AUTHORIZATION OF DEFENSIVE MANEUVER OF GROUND UNITS IN SOUTHERN PORTION DMZ SHOULD NOT RPT NOT BE HELD UP PENDING NEW GVN PROTEST TO ICC. GVN HAS ALREADY GONE ON RECORD WITH STRONG ENOUGH CASE FOR US TO USE IN PUBLIC STATEMENTS GIVING REASONS FOR DEFENSIVE MANEUVERS AGAINST NVN INFILTRATION OF DMZ. IN ADDITION, ISSUING OF GVN WHITE PAPER IN NEXT TWO WEEKS WILL PROVIDE FURTHER BACK-UP.

4. IN MEANTIME, WE WILL PUSH GVN TO ISSUE WHITE PAPER ASAP, AND HAVE THEM PREPARE NEW COMPLAINT FOR PRESENTATION TO ICC AS SOON AS INTELLIGENCE ON NVN INFILTRATION OF DMZ IS OBTAINED.

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1. (C) 1 CTZ

A. OP HASTINGS/LAM SON 289 CONTINUES WITH LIGHT CONTACT.
AT 210230H M BTRY 4/12 (USMC ARTY) RECEIVED GRENADES, S/A FIRE
AND A GROUND ATTACK ON THEIR POSITIONS VIC YD 0957. RESULTS: 7
USMC WIA, 3 - 155 HOW DAMAGED; VC: 1 KIA. AT 211200, HELI LIFT
COMMENCED TO EXCHANGE 1/3 AND 3/4 POSITIONS AND MISSIONS. 1/3 CMD
GP CP AT YD 052649. REF MY 210500Z, PARA 1A. UPDATED RESULTS OF
3/4 (USMC) CONTACT ARE: USMC: 6 KIA, 32 WIA; VC: 19 KIA (USBC).
CUMULATIVE RESULTS: USMC: 56 KIA, 164 WIA, 1 MIA; ARVN: 15 KIA,
19 WIA, 1 MIA; VC: 425 KIA (USBC), 5VCC, 100 ASSORTED WPNS.
CORRECTED TAC AIR SORTIES ARE 358.

B. IN QUANG NGAI PROVINCE AT QUANG NGAI AIRFIELD
(BS 6172) AT 210227H AN UNK NUMBER OF VC INITIATED A LIGHT
DIVERSIONARY ATTACK ON 2/4 ARVN AND THE 37TH RNGRS. 7 RDS 81MM
RECD BY 2/4 AND 2 RDS BY 37TH RNGR. AT THE SAME TIME A VC SPD
PENETRATED A USMC ARTY PLT PSN VIC OF THE AIRFIELD USING

GRENADES AND SACHEL CHARGES. RESULTS: USMC: 7 WIA, ARVN: 60
WIA, ONE ARTY PIECE RECEIVED LIGHT DAMAGE. VC: 1 KIA. NO
REPORTED DAMAGE TO THE AIRFIELD OR AIRCRAFT.

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 1. (C) TWO ADDITIONAL VOLS OF 324B NVA DIVISION
 CAPTURED BY III MAF ON 21 JULY 68. COOK IN 12TH
 REGIMENT, 324B NVA DIVISION, CAPTURED AT
 PHU THUAN, 20 KM WEST OF PHU THUAN, 15 JUNE 1968.
 2. (C) PHU THUAN, 30 KM WEST OF PHU THUAN, 15 JUNE 1968.
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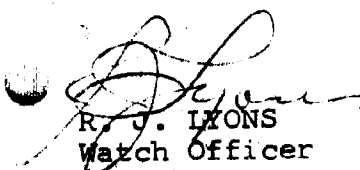
Source: LtCol. POST, FMFPAC CC

1. In response to queries passed by MCCC (Site 211330Q log entry) FMFPAC CC provided following info via MARSEC.

a. 1st Marines Cmd Grp has joined Opn HASTINGS. No location available.

b. Artillery unit hit at Quang Ngai AF is from 11th Marines and has been ~~at the AF since May supporting Nui Tron and other operations.~~

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1. DECK HOUSE II (U) SITREP NR 18 AS OF 211400Z.

2. TASK ORGANIZATION

A. 1G 76.5 AMPHIB READY GROUP CONSISTING OF PRINCETON (CTG 76.5, HMM 363, TACRON DET AND BJU DET EMB), ALAMO, PICKAWAY, WHITE RIVER, JOHN A. BOLE (COMDESDIV 213 EMB)

B. SLF ASHORE UNDER OPCON CG TF DELTA. HMM 363 CONTINUES UTILIZE PRINCETON AS OP BASE.

3. ACTIONS

A. 1G 76.5 MAINTAINING STATION VIC THACH HAN RIVE MOUTH NORHT OF QUANG TRI IN SUPPORT OF OPS ASHORE.

B. SLF

(1) BLT 3/5 CONDUCTING S & D OPS IN OP HASTINGS. CONTACT LIGHT.

(2) CP LOCATIONS

BLT CP - YD 075605

CO I - YD 045585

CO K - YD 039594

CO L - YD 012606

CO M - YD 025612

105 BTRY - YD 115579

(3) CASUALTIES: NO CHANGE

(4) A MAJOR SUPPLY AREA FOR NVA UNITS ENTERING RVNTYAS LOCATED IN VALLEY VIC YD 045595. CAPTURED ITEMS INCLUDED MINE DETECTOR, FOUR NEW/ RECONDITIONED 7.62 SKS CARBINES, 14 CHICOM GRENADES, 569 UNIFORM SHIRTS, 513 TROUSERS, 323 SWEATSHIRTS, 435 SHELTER HALVES, 297 PAIR SANDALS, 267 MACHETES, IN ADDITION TO COMM WIRE, ENTERENCHING TOOLS, OTHER EQUIPT.

C. PILOT OF DOWNED A4E FROM VMA 224, CHU LAI, RECOVERED 211525H AT 17-20N 107-04E BY HELOS FROM HMM-163. PRINCETON VECTORED HELOS FOR PICKUP AND RETURN TO PRINCETON. NO INJURIES.

4. INTENTIONS

A. CONTINUE SUPPORT OF OPS ASHORE.

5. ACTIONS REQUIRED OF HIGHER AUTHORITY: NONE.

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CONTACT. 3/2 USMC HAS ASSUMED MISSION OF 3/4 USMC. 3/4 NOW EMPLOYED AS SECURITY OF TASK FORCE DELTA CP. PRESENT LOCATIONS:

USMC - TF "D 3 AND 3/4 - YDI2592; 1/1 - YDB40633; 2/1 - XD985562; 1/3 - YD056650; 2/4 - YD053646; 3/3 - YDB75603; 2/2 - YD240597. CUMULATIVE RESULTS REFLECTS IN PART VERIFICATION OF

USMC CASUALTIES IN EARLIER CONTACTS. FRDLY: USMC: 69 KIA, 232 VIA, ARVN: 15 KIA (1 US), 17 WIA, 1 MIA, 7 IND WPNS; VC:

436 KIA, 6 VCC, 112 WPNS. 358 AIR SORTIES HAVE SUPPORTED. NO

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NGF MISSIONS HAVE SUPPORTED.

2. II CTZ. NO SIGNIFICANT TACTICAL ACTIVITY.

3. III CTZ

A. IN HAU NGHIA PROVINCE 10 KM N OF CU CHI (XT642217) AT 211600H AN APC FROM B 1/3 MECH, ON OPERATION MOKULEIA, WAS HIT BY A CMO DETONATED MINE. RESULTS: 7 KIA (US), 4 WIA (US).

B. ALL MAJOR OPNS CONTINUE WITHOUT SIGNIFICANT CONTACT.

4. IV CTZ

A. OPN LO L PHI 980 TERMINATED 211600H. FINAL CUM RESULTS: FRD: 4 WIA; EN: 1 VC KIA (BC), 18VCS. NO NGF

SUPPORTED.

B. OP CL 72/DT TERMINATED 211630 W/CUM RESULTS AS REPORTED IN MY TELECON 210500Z JUL 66. NO NGF SUPPORTED.

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III MAF DAILY SITREP NR 202 FOR PDD 210001-212400H JULY 1966

I. OP SUMMARY.

A. OP MACON. 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NAM PROV WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 210805H TKS WITH K/3/9 OBSR 20 VC VIC (AT 924518), FIRED 9 RDS 90MM, 2 VC KIA (CONF). AT 200943 1/3/9 DETONATED BOOBY TRAPPED 60MM RD, 7 USMC WIA (MED EVAC). AT 211915H RECON OP AMBUSHED AND KILLED 1 VC.

B. OP HASTINGS: TASK FORCE DELTA CONT OPS IN QUANG TRI PROV WITH 1 BNS (2/4, 3/4, 2/1, 1/3, 3/5, 1/1, AND 2/9) AND 3/12 MAR, 2 BTRYS OF 4/12, AND ONE 4.2 BTRY OF 1/11 AS ARTY SPT; WITH 1ST MAR CMD GRP AND 2 BNS ON CALL. ACTION INVOLVING VC AND 3 PLATS OF 3/4 MAR OCCURING AT 201800H WAS DESCRIBED IN SITREP 201. RECAP OF ACTIVITY: CONTACT WAS MADE WITH 75 VC, RECD SA AND MORT FIRE, AIR STRIKES CALLED IN, ALL ORGANIC WPNS FIRED, 2 PLATS SENT TO ASSIST, VC STRONG POINT TAKEN, 6 USMKR KIA, 32 USMC WIA, 19 VC KIA. AT 210920H M/3/3 MAR REPORTED

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FINDING 30 LBS TNT, C4, BLASTING CAPS AND FIELD PHONE VIC (YD 026617).
AT 211020H D/1/1 FOUND 8 VC KIA IN SHALLOW GRAVES VIC (YD 045631). AT
AT 211015H F/2/1 VIC (YD 989582) RECD SA FIRE FROM UNK NUMBER VC, RTND
SA AND SEARCHED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS, 1 USMC KIA. AT 211100H D/1/1
FOUND 4 DEAD VC BODIES AND LARGE BIVOAC AREA VIC (YD 046630). AT 211130
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3/5 FOUND 4 VC KIA IN SHALLOW GRAVES VIC (YD 046634). AT 211315H H/2/4
OBS 2 VC VIC (YD 040648), FIRED SA, 1 VC KIA. AT 211345H H/2/4 VIC (YD
040648, OBS 2 VC ABOUT TO THROW GRENADE, FIRED SA, 1 VC KIA, 1 VCC, 2 CHC
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CARBINES, 8 GRENADES CPTD. AT 211400H CO G&H/2/4 VIC (YD 040648) FOUND 47
VC KIA AND 15 WPNS. AT 211505H H/2/4 AND G/2/4 RECD INTENSE SA FIRE

VIC (YD 040651) RTND SA, ARTY, AND AIR, 7 VC KIA, 6 CHICOM CARBINES,
6 AK-47'S, 4 SOVIET LMGS, ONE 40MM RPT LAUNCHER, 68 GRENADES, 11 RDS 82MM

MORT, 4000 RDS 7.62 AMMO, 21 M-1 CARBINE RDS CPTD. AT 211505H H/2/4
MED EVAC HEL LANDING AT VIC (YD 039608) RECD SA FIRE, 2 USMC KIA (MINOR

AT 211600H M/3/5 FOUND 12 VC KIA ON GROUND AND 2 IN GRAVES VIC (YD
028618). AT 211925H G/2/4 VIC (YD 041649) RECD 20 RDS SA FROM 30 VC,
RTND 350 RDS SA, 35 M-79 RDS, CALLED IN AIRSTRIKE AND ARTY. 2 VC KIA.
AT 212130H H/2/1 VIC (YD 994596) RECD MORT AND .50 CAL FIRE, CALLED IN
ARTY MSN 1 USMC KIA, 7 WIA (MED EVAC).

~~C. SIGNIFICANT CONTACT AT 211405H 2D PLAT CO C 3D RECON VIC (BT 312~~

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MG AND M1 SA, RET M-79 AND AW, CALLED IN ARMED HEL, FIRE INCREASED
AS ARMED HEL MADE PASSES, 9 VC ASLTD ACROSS RICE PADDY FIRED M-60MG,
DETONATED CLAYMORES AS VC APPROACHED, FIXED WING ACFT CONDUCTED NAPALM
STRIKE RESULTING IN 2 SECONDARY EXPLOS, PLAT REMAINED ENGAGED UNTIL
211833H WHEN HELS ARRIVED AND PLAT EXTRACTED UNDER FIRE, 3 USMC WIA
(MED EVAC) 25 VC KIA.

D. PLANS SUMMARY

- (1) OP MACON. 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NAM PROV.
- (2) OP HASTINGS. TAKS FORCE DELTA CONT OPS IN QUANG TRI PROV.

E. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS

(67) MACON: US LOSSES: 8 KIA, 46 WIA
ENEMY LOSSES: 186 KIA (129 GND, 57 KBA)
26 VCS, 2 WPNS

CUM TAC AIRSTRIKE SORTIES: 22

CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUN FIRE: NONE

(2) HASTINGS: US LOSSES: 8 KIA, 46 WIA, 129 GND, 57 KBA, 26 VCS, 2 WPNS; 5 VCC

CUM TAC AIRSTRIKE SORTIES: 439

CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUN FIRE: NONE

F. FRIENDLY INITIATED SMALL UNIT CONTACTS JH 22

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1. THIS SUMMARIZES EVENTS OF 20 JULY, UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED.
2. HIGHLIGHTS
A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS
(1) THE MOST SIGNIFICANT ACTION WITHIN SOUTH VIETNAM ON 20 JULY CONTINUED TO BE CENTERED IN

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THE NORTHERNMOST PROVINCE OF QUANG TRI, AS THE MULTI-BATTALIONED OPERATION HASTINGS / LAM SON 289 MOVED INTO ITS 14TH DAY ENEMY CASUALTIES NOW STAND AT 410 CONFIRMED KILLED, AND AN ADDITIONAL 579 PROBABLY KILLED. NUMEROUS SMALL SCALE CONTACTS AND SEVERAL MODERATE CONTACTS WERE REPORTED DURING THE PERIOD, IN ADDITION TO THE DISCOVERY OF WHAT APPEARED TO BE SEVERAL LARGE-UNIT CP AREAS. NUMEROUS WEAPONS, AMMO, A LARGE NUMBER OF DOCUMENTS, AND OVER 378 INDIVIDUAL PACKS WERE FOUND IN THESE AREAS. IN OTHER SIGNIFICANT ACTIONS, A PLATOON PATROL FROM THE 3D BN, 4TH MARINES ENGAGED AN ESTIMATED 75 VC AT 1700H ON THE 20TH ABOUT EIGHT MILES NW OF CAM LO. TWO PLATOONS REINFORCED THE ENGAGED PLATOON, AND WITH AIR SUPPORT, SUCCEEDED IN ROUTING THE VC AFTER BEING ENGAGED MORE THAN AN HOUR AND ONE-HALF. HEAVY SMALL ARMS AND MORTAR FIRE WAS RECEIVED DURING THE FIE FIGHT, AND A SUBSEQUENT SEARCH OF THE AREA REVEALED NUMEROUS VC BOOBY TRAPS AND WEAPONS, PLUS NINETEEN VC CONFIRMED KILLED. SIX MARINES WERE KILLED AND 32 WOUNDED IN THIS FIGHT
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THIRTY VC WERE KILLED A LITTLE EARLIER WHEN A SQUAD PATROL, SUPPORTED BY TWO ARMED UH-1E'S, ENGAGED VC SOUTH OF DONG HA. EARLY ON THE MORNING OF 21 JULY, M BTRY, 4TH BN 12TH MARINES, LOCATED NEAR CAM LO, RECEIVED GREANDES AND SMALL ARMS FIRE, FOLLOWED BY A GROUND ATTACK BY AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC. ONE VC WAS KILLED AND THE ATTACKERS REPULSED, BUT NOT BEFORE SEVEN MARINES WERE WOUNDED AND THREE 155 MM HOWITZERS WERE DAMAGED. ADDITIONAL MARINES JOINED THE OPERATION AT 2040H, 20 JULY, WHEN THE 2D BN, 9TH MARINES COMMAND GROUP AND TWO COMPANIES WERE HELILIFTED TO DONG HA. THE BN NOW HAS THE MISSION OF TASK FORCE RESERVE.

THE SIX ARVN BATTALIONS CONDUCTING LAM SON 289 HAD NEGATIVE CONTACT ON 20 JULY. TO DATE THE ARVN UNITS HAVE KILLED FIFTEEN VIET CONG, WHILE SUSTAINING 15 KIA, 19 WIA AND 1 MIA.

(C) IN THE DANANG AREA, THE 9TH MARINES CONTINKED OPERATION MACON SOUTH OF THE THU BON AND KY LAM RIVER WITH LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED DURING THE PERIOD. DETAILS OF THESE TWO OPERATIONS MAY BE FOUND

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BRUNT OF THE VC EFFORT THE PAST SEVERAL DAYS. ABOUT 0227H ON 21 JULY AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF VC INITIATED A LIGHT DIVERSIONARY MORTAR ATTACK ON ARVN POSITIONS AT QUANG NGAI AIRFIELD. SIMULTANEOUSLY, AN ESTIMATED VC SAPPER SQUAD USING GRENADES AND SACHEL CHARGES PENETRATED A MARINE ARTILLERY PLATOON POSITION NEAR THE AIRFIELD, INFLECTING LIGHT DAMAGE TO ONE 155 MM HOWITZER. SEVEN MARINES AND ONE ARVN WERE WOUNDED, AND ONE VC WAS KILLED IN THE ENCOUNTER. THE ARTY UNIT IS PART OF BTRY M, 4TH BN, 11TH MARINES CURRENTLY LOCATED AT THE AIRFIELD TO PROVIDE NECESSARY ARTILLERY SUPPORT FOR THE NUI TRON OBSERVATION POST.

ON 20 JULY, FIVE VC INITIATED INCIDENTS WERE REPORTED IN I CORPS, ALL OF WHICH FELL WITHIN AN EIGHT MILE RADIUS OF QUANG NGAI CITY. TWO OF THESE INCIDENTS INCLUDED ENEMY 60 MM MORTAR FIRE.

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- A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS
(1) OPERATION MACON

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(A) THE NINTH MARINES CONTINUE SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS FIFTEEN MILES SOUTH OF DANANG WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AN OUTPOST OF THE THIRD BN, NINTH MARINES OVSERVED FOUR VC AT (AT 957 42) AND CALLED IN 105MM FIRE, WHICH KILLED ONE VC AND PROBABLY WOUNDED TWO OTHERS. TWO SEPARATE INCIDENTS OF SNIPER FIRE WERE REPORTED. THE FIRE WAS RETURNED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS AND NO CASUALTIES RESULTED.

(B) CUMULATIVE RESULTS:

USMC	VC
8 KIA	185 KIA (CONF) (128 GROUND 57 KBA)
39 MIA	386 KIA (POSS) (261 GROUND 125 KBA)
	26 VCS/2 WPNS CAPTURED

(2) OPERATION HASTINGS

(A) TASK FORCE DELTA ASSUMED OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF THE SECOND BN, NINTH MARINES DURING THE PERIOD AND CONTINUS OPERATIONS IN THE QUANG TRI PROVINCE, FIFTEEN MILES WEST OF DONG HA. THE FORCE NOW IS COMPRISED OF SEVEN INFANTRY BNS (SECOND BN, FOURTH MARINES, THIRD BN, FOURTH MARINES,

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SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES, FIRST BN, THIRD MARINES, THIRD BN, FIFTH MARINES, FIRST BN, FIRST MARINES AND SECOND BN NINTH MARINES), AND ARTILLERY SUPPORT IS BEING PROVIDED BY THIRD BN, TWELFTH MARINES, TWO BATTERY OF THE FOURTH BN, TWELFTH MARINES FOXTROT BATTERY SECOND BN, ELEVENTH MARINES, 4.2 BATTERY SLF AND ONE 4.2 BATTERY OF THE FIRST BN, ELEVENTH MARINES. THE FIRST MARINES COMMAND GROUP AND TWO BNS REMAIN ON-CALL. CO M THIRD BN, FIFTH MARINES MADE CONTACT WITH THREE VC (YD 029 616) AND KILLED ONE WITH SMALL ARMS FIRE. THE CO THEN MADE CONTACT WITH FOUR VC AND ASSAULTED THE VC POSITION (YD 022 610). THE MARINES KILLED TWO VC AND CAPTURED TWO VC, 2 CHICOM 7.62 RIFLES, 70 PACKS, A QUANTITY OF 782 GEAR, 15 BOXES OF AMMO AND MANY DOCUMENTS. CO M LATER DISCOVERED A VC REGIMENTAL OR DIVISION COMMAND POST IN THE SAME AREA AND CAPTURED 1 LIGHT MACHINE GUN, ONE M-14, 40 POUNDS OF DOCUMENTS, 158 PACKS AND EQUIPMENT AND 130 GRENADES WITH WOODEN HANDLES. CO D OF THE FIRST BN, FIRST MARINES RECEIVED MACHINE GUN FIRE FROM TWO VC WHICH WOUNDED ONE MARINE. THE COMPANY RETURNED SMALL ARMS FIRE AND CALLED IN AN AIR STRIKE ON THE VC POSITION (YD 049 623) WHICH

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KILLED THE TWO VC. CO H OF THE SECOND BN, FOURTH MARINES DISCOVERED A BIVOUAC AREA (YD 048 640) WITH 200 FIGHTING POSITIONS. TWO CHICOM GRENADES, 37 BOXES OF 12.7MM AMMO, AND A QUANTITY OF PACKS, EQUIPMENT, ENTRENCHING TOOLS AND ASSORTED DOCUMENTS WERE CAPTURED. ONE MARINE WAS KIA WHEN CO D OF THE FIRST BN, FIRST MARINES RECEIVED FIRE FROM FIVE VC. AIR SUPPORT AND ARTILLERY FIRE WAS CALLED IN ON THE VC POSITION (YD 045 625) WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. CO K, THIRD BN, FIFTH MARINES DISCOVERED 150 PACKS AND DOCUMENTS OF VARIOUS TYPES IN A VC BIVOUAC AREA (YD 044 598). CO A OF THE FIRST BN, THIRD MARINES MADE CONTACT WITH 24 VC AT (YD 228 558). THE VC FIRED 400 ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS AND THE MARINES RETURNED SMALL ARMS FIRE WHICH PROBABLY KILLED FIVE OF THE VC. CO F OF THE SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES MADE CONTACT WITH AN UNDETERMINED NUMBER OF VC AT 2105H. ARTILLERY SUPPORT WAS CALLED IN ON THE VC (YD 995 585) WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. ONE MARINE WAS WOUNDED AND ONE KILLED IN THE ACTION. CO L OF THE THIRD BN, FIFTH MARINES, OBSERVING FOURTEEN VC, SET UP A HASTY AMBUSH (YD 019 609) AND KILLED SEVEN OF THE VC. SEVEN RIFLES AND ONE .50 CAL MACH-

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INE GUN WERE CAPTURED. A SQUAD PAT DL OF CO D, FIRST BN,
THIRD MARINES WAS FIRED ON BY FIFTEEN VC (YD 228 558).
WHEN THE MARINES RETURNED SMALL ARMS FIRE, NINE MORE VC FIRED ON THE
PATROL FROM A DIFFERENT LOCATION. EIN TWO ARMED UH-1E AIRCRAFT FOR SUPPORT
KILLED. THE COMMAND POST OF THE FIRST BN, FIRST MARINES (YD 051 620) RECEIVED FIFTY ROUNDS OF 81MM MORTAR FIRE FROM
THE VICINITY OF (YD 027 620). ARTILLERY FIRE WAS CALLED IN
ON THE SUSPECTED VC MORTAR POSITION WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.
THREE MARINES WERE EVACUATED FOR WOUNDS.
THE OPERATION WAS SUPPORTED BY THE 1ST MAW WITH THE
FOLLOWING SORTIES: FIXED WING - 41/A4; 16/F4; AND 8/F8.
DAMAGE EXTIMATED WAS 10 BUNKERS DESTROYED, ONE .50 CAL MG
POSITION DESTROYED AND ONE TRAIL CUT.
TEN ARMED HELO'S AND 556 TRANSPORT SORTIES WERE FLOWN, LIFTING 724
TROOPS AND 74 TONS OF CARGO.

(B) CUMULATIVE RESULTS:

USMC	VC
56 KIA	410 KIA (CONF) (386 GROUND 24 KBA)

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ZEN/CG MARCORSUPCEN ALBANY
ZEN/CG MAR ORSUPACTY PHILA
ZEN/FIRST MARBIRG
ZEN/TWENTY SIXTH MAR (CAMPEN)
ZEN/CG FOURTH MARDIV (CAMPEN)
ZEN/CG FIFTH MARDIV (CAMPEN)
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164 WIA 529 KIA (POSS) (555 GROUND
24 KBA)

- 1 MIA 93 WPNS/4 VC CAPTURED
- B. SMALL UNIT OPERATIONS
 - (1) HUE PHU BAI
 - (A) FOURTH MARINES
 - 1. FIRST BN. NO CONTACTS WERE REPORTED.

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1. DECK HOUSE BY (C) SINK UN 13 AS OF 220202Z.
2. TASK ORGANIZATION
 - A. TO 76.9 (INFO) BATTAL GROUP CONSISTING OF PRINCETON (CTG 76.9, HMM 363, TAHOE, DELTA, RIGBY, GARDNER), ALAMO, PICKAWAY, WHITE RIVER, JOHN A. BULL (COMUSMACV 213 003).
 - B. SHIP ASHORE UNDER DECK CG 1ST DELTA. HMM 363 CONTINUES UTILIZE PRINCETON AS OP BASE.
3. ACTIONS
 - A. TO 76.9 BATTAL GROUP STATION VIC THACH HAN RIVER MOUTH NORTH OF QUANG TRI IN SUPPORT OF OPS ASHORE.

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- B. SHIP
 - (1) HMM 363 CONTAINS S & D OPS IN OP HASTINGS, CONTACT LIGHT.
 - (2) OP LOCATIONS TO CHANGE.
 - (3) PROPORTIONS TO CHANGE.
- C. PRINCETON, NOW UNDERSHIP FROM HASSAYAMPA.

4. INTENTIONS: CONTINUE SUPPORT OF OPS ASHORE.
5. ACTIONS REQUIRED OF SUPERIOR AUTHORITY: NONE.
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III MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY NR 202 FOR PD 210001-212400H JUL66
1. OPERATIONS.

A. OP MACON. 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NAM PROV WITH
LIGHT CONTACT. AT 210805 TKS WITH K/3/9 OBS 20 VC VIC (AT
924518), FIRED 9 RDS 90MM, 2 VC KIA (CONF). AT 200943H 1/3/9
DETONATED BOOBY TRAPPED 60MM RD, 7 USMC WIA (MED EVAC). AT

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211345H TANKS WITH K/3/9 OBS 2 VC VIC (AT 941523), FIRED 2 RDS
90MM, 2 VC KIA (PROB). AT 211310H RECON OP OBS SVC VIC (AT
925445), CALLED IN ARTY, 8 VC KIA (PROB). AT 211915H RECON
OP AMBUSHED AND KILLED 1 VC. US LOSSES: 8 KIA, 46 WIA
ENEMY LOSSES: 186 KIA (CONF)
(129 GND, 57 KBA)
392 KIA (PROB)
(267 GND, 125 KBA)
26 VCS, 2 WPNS

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B. OP HASTINGS: TASK FORCE DELTA CONT OPS IN QUANG TRI
PROV WITH 7 INF BNS (2/4, 3/4, 2/1, 1/3, 3/5, 1/1, 2/9) AND
3/12 MAR, 2 BTRYS OF 4/12, AND ONE 4.2 BTRY OF 1/11 AS ARTY
SPT; WITH 1ST MAR CMD GP AND 2 BNS ON CALL. ACTION INVOLVING
VC AND 3 PLATS OF 3/4 MAR OCCURRING AT 201800H WAS DESCRIBED
IN SITREP NR 201. RECAP OF ACTIVITY: CONTACT WAS MADE WITH 75
VC, RECD SA AND MORT FIRE, AIR STRIKES CALLED IN, ALL ORGANIC
WPNS FIRED, 2 PLATS SENT TO ASSIST, VC STRONG POING TAKEN, 6
USMC KIA, 32 USMC WIA, 19 VC KIA (CONF), 27 VC WIA (PROB). AT
210920H M/3/5 REPTD FINGING 30 LBS TNT, C4, BLASTING CAPS AND
FIELD PHONE VIC (YD 026617). AT 211020H D/1/1 FOUND 8 VC KIA
IN SHALLOW GRAVES VIC (YD 045631). AT 211015H F/2/1 VIC (YD

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989582) RECD SA FIRE FROM UNK NUMBER VC, RTND SA AND SEARCHED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS, 1 USMC KIA. AT 211100H D/1/1 FOUND 4 DEAD VC BODIES AND LARGE BIVOUAC AREA VIC (YD 046630). WJ 211130H 3/5 FOUND 4 VC KIA IN SHALLOW GRAVES VIC (YD 046634). AT 211315H H/2/4 OBS 2 VC VIC (YD 040648), FIRED SA, 1 VC KIA (CONF). AT 211345H H/2/4 VIC (YD 040648), OBS 2 VC ABOUT TO THROW GREN, FIRES SA, 1 VC KIA (CONF), 1 VCC, 2 CHICOM CARB, 8 GREN CPTRD. AT 211400H CO G&H/2/4 VIC (YD 0648) FOUND 47 VC KIA AND 15 WPNS. AT 211505H H/2/4 AND G/2/4 RECD INTENSE SA FIRE VIC (YD 040651) RTND SA, ARTY, AND AIR, 7 VC KIA (CONF), 22 KIA (PROB), 1 WIA, 6 CHICOM CARB, 6 AK-47'S, 4 SOVIET LMGS, ONE 40MM RKT LAUNCHER, 68 GRENS, 11 RDS 82MM MORT, 4000 RDS 7.62 AMMO, 20 M-1 CARB RDS CPTRD. AT 211505H H/2/4 MED EVAC HEL LANDING AT VIC (YD 039648) RECD SA FIRE, 2 USMC WIA (MINOR). AT 211600H M/3/5 FOUND 12 VC KIA ON GND AND 2 IN GRAVES VIC (YD 028618). AT 121925H G/2/4 VIC (YD 041649) RECD 20 RDS SA FROM 30 VC, RTND 350 RDS SA, 35 M-79 RDS, CALLED IN AIRSTRIKE AND ARTY, 2 VC KIA (CONF), 15 KIA (PROB). AT 212130H H/2/1 VIC (XD 994596) RECD MORT AND .50 CAL FIRE, CALLED IN ARTY MSN, 1 USMC KIA,

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7 WIA (MED EVAC).

US LOSSES: 68 KIA, 232 WIA, (1 MIA CONF KIA)
ENEMY LOSSES: 521 KIA (CONF) (497 GND, 24 KBA)
579 KIA (PROB) (555 GND, 24 KBA)
125 WPNS, 5 VCC

C. SIGNIFICANT CONTACT. AT 211405H 2D PLAT CO C 3D RECON VIC (BT 312157) RECD 5 RDS 12.7MM MG AND HV SA, RETD M-79 AND AW, CALLED IN ARMED HEL, FIRE INCREASED AS ARMED HEL MADE PASSES, 9 VC ASLTD ACROSS RICE PADDY, FIRED M-60 MG, DETONATED CLAYMORES AS VC APPROACHED, FIXED WING ACFT CONDUCTED NAPALM STRIKE RESULTING IN 2 SECONDARY EXPLOS, PLAT REMAINED ENGAGED UNTIL 211833H WHEN HELS ARRIVED AND PLAT EXTRACTED UNDER FIRE.

US LOSSES: 3 USMC WIA (1 MED EVAC)
ENEMY LOSSES: 23 VC KIA (CONF), 1 WIA (CONF)

D. 1ST MARINE DIVISION
(1) CHU LAI TAOR
(A) 5TH MARINES

(1) 1/5TH MAR: (LATE ENTRY) AT 202150H CO C S&D AMB VIC (BT 398102) OBS UNK NR VC TRIP ILLUM FLARES VIC (BT 395124), FIRED ARTY MSN AND ILLUM WITH NEG RESULTS. AT 210800H

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CO B SQD RECON PTL VIC (BT 358129) DEST 3 BOOBY TRAPPED FRAG GREN. AT 210930H CO B SQD CTB PTL VIC (BT 378147) HAD 1 USMC WIA BY PUNJI STAKE (MINOR). AT 211000H CO C SQD CBT PTL VIC (BT 387112) DEST 2 CAVES 10 FT LONG. POS ARE: CP AND 2ND PLAT VIC (BT 312170), 3D PLAT VIC (BT 314149).

(2) 2/5TH MAR: (LATE ENTRY) AT 202330H H&S CO SQD OP VIC (BT 421047) RECD 6 RDS SA FROM VIC (BT 416050), CALLED ARTY MSN, 1 VC WIA (PROB). AT 211015H TK, BEING ACCOMPANIED BY CO H SQD SCTY PTL VIC (BT 441043) DETON BOOBY TRAPPED M-26 GREN WITH TRIP WIRE, 1 USMC WIA (MINOR). AT 211750H H&S CO MOTOR POOL VIC (BT 467071) RECD 4 RDS SA FROM 1 VC VIC (BT 468072), RTND 5 RDS SA, VC DISCARDED WPN IN BUSHES AND FLED APPREHENDED VCS IN AREA. AT 212030H H&S CO SQD OP VIC (BT 421047) RECD 2 RDS SA AND 1 GREN FROM VIC (BT 421046), RET 7 RDS SA, CALLED ARTY MSN, AND FIRED 26 RDS 106MM WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 212305H REGT HQ CO FTM SCTY PTL VIC (BY 436079) RECD 1 FRAG GREN, ILLUM AND OBS 1 VC, FIRED 20 RDS SA WITH NEG RESULTS.

(B) 7TH MARINES

(1) 1/7TH MAR: (LATE ENTRY) AT 202330H
CO C USMC/PF SQD AMB VIC (BS 595974) OBS 7 VC VIC (BS 595973)

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FIRED 150 RDS SA, 1 M-72, VC RET 75 RDS SA AND BROKE CONTACT, 2 VC KIA (PROB), 1 VC WIA (PROB). AT 210600H CO A PLAT CBT PTL VIC (BT 665012) OBS 2 VC VIC (BT 672012), CALLED IN ARTY WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 210600H CO D PLAT CBT PTL VIC (BS 657-964) APPREHENDED 1 VCS AFTER RECD 8 RDS SA FROM UNK NR VC VIC (BS 657964). AT 210730H CO A PLAT CBT PTL VIC (BT 664013) APPREHENDED 1 VCS. AT 210840H 1ST MT BN (GX6) VEH IN SPT CO D VIC (BT 651986) DETON MINE, SQD WITH ONTOS AND TK SEARCHED, DEST 1 RD 105MM RIGGED AS MINE, 5 USMC WIA (3 MED EVAC). AT 211215H CO D PLAT CBT PTL VIC (BS 660960) APPREHENDED 2 VCS. AT 211300H CO A PLAT CBT PTL VIC (BT 653038) APPREHENDED 1 VCS. AT 211815H CO A SQD AMB VIC (BS 635995) RECD 25 RDS SA FROM VIC (BS 639999), RET 15 RDS M-79 WITH NEG RESULTS, 1 USMC WIA (MED EVAC).

(2) 2/7TH MAR: NEG CONTACT

(3) 3/7TH MAR: (LAT

S ENTRY) AT 202140H CO
M FTM LT VIC (BS 576927) RECD 2 RDS SA, NO ACTION TAKEN. AT 211025H CO M PLAT(-) CBT PTL VIC (BS 592922) APPREHENDED 1 VCS WHO STATED VC PLAT USED AREA DURING DAYTIME, FOUND MANHOLES WITH RIVER ENTRANCES VIC (BS 578924) AND VIC (BS 579922), DEST BT

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1. (C) I CTZ

A. OPN HASTINGS/LAM SON 289 CONT WITH LIGHT CONTACT.
REF MY 212335Z JUL SHOULD READ 1/3 USMC HAS ASSUMED MISSION OF
3/4 USMC VICE 3/1. BETWEEN 212100H AND 220030H VIC (XD993595)
2/1 USMC WAS IN CONTACT WITH UNK LARGE NUMBER OF VC APPARENTLY
ATTEMPTING TO EXFILTRATE TO THE WEST. 2 USMC KIA AND 13 WIA
RESULTED. VC RESULTS ARE UNK AT THIS TIME. RVNAF UNITS RPTD
NO CONTACT.

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B. OPN MACON CONT CLRNG OPN WITH VERY LIGHT CONTACT
C. CDM RESULTS AS FOLLOWS:

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	HASTINGS/LAM SON 289		MACON
	US	ARVN	US
KIA	69	15	8
VIA	232	17	46
MIA		1	
		VIET CONG	
KIA	512		134
VCC	6		1
VCS			26
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&	125		2
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AIR			
SORTIES	358		22
NGF	NONE		NONE

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2. (C) III CTZ

A. ALL MAJOR OPNS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD
OR CHANGE IN MISSION.

B. ON 211700H ELEMENTS OF 7TH ABN BN ENGAGED VC
FORCE OF UNK SIZE VIC CR005675. CONTACT BROKEN AT 1845H. 25
SORTIES FLOWN. RES: FRD: 10 (ARVN) KIA. 12 (ARVN) WIA. VC

C. CUMULATIVE RES OF OPNS IN PROGRESS FOLLOWS:

	HAYES	HENRY CLAY	PAUL REVERE	SU BOK	FILLMORE
	US	US	US/VN/TOT	ROK	US/ROK/TOT
KIA	0	1	62/16/78	22	3 520&30
WIA	0	20	293/41/334	70	94/50/114
MIA	0	0	1/10/11	0	0/0/0
			VIET CONG		
KIA	0	31	516/76/592	269	197/176/373
VCC	0	6	66/6/72	28	41/32/73
VCS	0	11	9/5/14	120	333/142/473
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WPNS	0	81	210/15/225	76	47/12/59
C/S					
WPNS	0	2	16/0/16	0	0/1/1
AIR SORTIES	0	6/198	10/582	6/509	8/679
NGF	N	NA	NA		

3. (C) III CTZ

A. ALL MAJOR OPNS CONTINUED WITH NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT OR CHANGE OF MISSION.

B. CUMULATIVE RES OF OPNS IN PROGRESS FOLLOWS:

	EL PASO III	AURORA II I/II	KAHANA	MOKULEIA	CEDAR RAPIDS
	US	US	US	US	US
KIA	0	0	0/0	33	3
WIA	0	7	42/0	63	9
MIA	0	0	0/0	0	0
			VIET CONG		
KIA	0	1	1/3	61	2
VCC	0	2	1/0	5	0

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VCS	0	2	5/0	40	2
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WPNS	0	0	4/0	23	1
C/S					
WPNS	0	0	0/0	0	1
AIR SORTIES	154	0	3/6	120	95
NGF	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

4. (C) IV CTZ. OPN DAN CHI 274, 21ST INF DIV S/D IN BA XUYEN PROV (WR8758) 26 KM SW OF SOC TRANG STARTED 220700H JUL AND CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT. UNITS: 1/33 & 2/33 INF, 42D RGR BN, 1 RF BN, 3 RF COS, 1/9 & 2/9 CAV TRP. RES: 2/31 & 3/31 INF. EN OB: D 320 & D 7164 LOCAL FORCE BNS. CUM RES: FRD: NEG; EN: 1 KIA, 4 IND WPNS, 10 CASES GREN, 5 BOXES SA AMMO, GWP LBS TNT SEIZED. NO FURTHER ENTRY UNLESS CONTACT IS MADE.

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1. (C) 1 CTZ: OPN HASTINGS LAM SON 289 WITH LIGHT CONTACT.
AT 211400H 2/4 FOUND 47 VC KIA AND 6 WPNS VIC YD 0464. AT 211500H
3/5 FOUND 12 VC KIA AND 2 VC KIA IN GRAVES VIC YD 0261. AT 211020H
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1/1 FOUND 8 VC KIA IN GRAVES VIC YD 0463. CONTINUING DISCOVERIES OF
SMALL GROUPS VC KIA FROM PREVIOUS DAY'S ACTION. SOME VC KIA IN
HASTILY DUG FRESH GRAVES.

2. (C) 11 CTZ:
A. OPMKJOHN PAUL JONES COMM 211930H JUL; 3 DAYS EARLIER
THAN PLANNED.

(1) CONTROL HQ: I FFV
(2) TASK ORGANIZATION: 1ST BDE, 101ST ABN DIV,
WITH 1/327, 2/327, 2/502; 2D ROK MAR BDE (-).
(3) AO FOR 1ST BDE 101ST ABN IS BOUNDED ON THE N BY

LINE CQ120280 - CQ169305 - CQ230280 - CQ275306 - CQ303316; ON THE

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INFO: CJCS-1DJS-3SJCS-3 J5-2 SACSA-5 SAMAA-1 JRC-3 SECDEF-7 ASD/ISA-9
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E AND S BY THE SOUTH CHINA SEA; ON W CQ28190 - CQ120280. AO 2D ROK MAR BDE (-) IS BOUNDED ON N CQ030390 - SONG DAI GIANG RIVER - CQ00450; ON E CQ20450 - SOUTH CHINA SEA - CQ0303316; ON S CQ0303316 - CQ275306 - CQ230280 - CQ169305 - CQ120280; ON W CQ120280 - CQ030340 - CQ030390.

(4) CONCEPT OF OPN. V 101ST ABN AND 2D ROK MAR BDE SEIZE AND HOLD VITAL TERRAIN IN THE VUNG RO PASS AND BAY AREA; PROVIDE SCTY FOR ENGR WORK PARTIES IN THE BAY AREA AND ALONG LOC BETWEEN VUNG RO BAY AND TUY HOA.

(5) J-2 OB CARRIES NO VC UNITS IN THE AO.

B. OPN FILLMORE TERM 211930H. FINAL RESULTS TO FOLLOW.

C. ALL OTHER OPNS CONT WITHOUT SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED OR CHANGE IN MISSION SINCE MY 220448Z JUL.

D. OFF KHANH HOA PROVINCE, 40 KM NORTH OF NHA TRANG, AT 220530H A U.S. NAVY SWIFT BOAT (PCF-44) COLLIDED WITH AND SANK AN UNLIGHTED SOUTH VIETNAMESE JUNK. 10 SURVIVORS AND 6 BODIES OF THE REPORTED 25 PASSENGERS HAVE BEEN RECOVERED. SEARCH CONTINUES.

3. (C) III CTZ: OPN CEDAR RAPIDS TERM 221347H JULY.

RESULTS: FRD: 3 KIA, 9 WIA; VC: 2 KIA, 2 VCS, GQ IWP, 1 C/S WPN CAPTURED. 95 AIR SORTIES SUPPORTED.

4. (D) IV CTZ: NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT SINCE MY 220448Z

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1. DECK HOUSE II (U) SITREP ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~

2. TASK ORGANIZATION

A. TG 76.5 AMPHIB READY GROUP CONSISTING OF PRINCETON (CTG 76.5, HMM363, TACRON DET AND BJU DET EMB), ALAMO, PICKAWAY, WHITE RIVER, JOHN A. BOLE (COMDESDIV 213 EMB).

B. SLF ASHORE UNDER OPCON CG TF DELTA. HMM363 CONTINUES UTILIZE PRINCETON AS OP BASE.

3. ACTION

A. TG 76.5 MAINTINING STATION VIC THACH HAN RIVER MOUTH NORTH OF QUANG TRI IN SUPPORT OF OPS ASHORE.

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B. SLF

(1) BLT 3/5 CONDUCTING S&D OPS IN OP HASTINGS.

(2) CP LOCATIONS

BLT CP - YD 275625.

51 19 8 - YD 109607

CO K - YD 228612

CO MBA YD 234623

CO L - YD 005600

105 BTRY - YD 115579

(3) COMMANDO CONTACT WITH EST NVA CO. 17 ENEMY KIA. CO L
MADE CONTACT WITH UNK SIZE UNIT, DETAILS PENDING.

(4) CASUALTIES

(A) DURING PERIOD (SINCE LAST REPORT)

ENEMY - 17 KIA

USMC - 1 WIA

(B) CUMULATIVE (DECK HOUSE II AND HASTINGS)

~~ENEMY - 54 KIA, 80 KIA (PROB), 5 WIA (CONF), 13 WIA (PROB),~~~~2 CAPTURED.~~~~USMC - 7 KIA, 26 WIA~~

4. INTENTIONS

A. CONTINUE SUPPORT OPS ASHORE.

5. ACTIONS REQUIRED OF HIGHER AUTHORITY: NONE.

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1. (C) I CTZ. OP WASTINGS/LAN SON BRD CONT WITH CONTACT
THROUGHOUT USMC AREA. AT 221330H L AND 13/5 MADE CONTACT
WITH AN UNDETERMINED NUMBER OF VC VIC YD027612; VC BROKE CONTACT
AT 222330H. RESULTS: FRD - USMC: 91 KIA, 291 MIA, ARVN: NO
CHANGES; VC - 574 KIA, 5 VCC, 157 WPMS.

2. (C) III CTZ
A. OP CEDAR RAPIDS II A 4 BN S/P OP CONTROLLED BY 1ST
BDE, 1ST INF DIV BEGAN 223700H JUL. CONCEPT OF OP: 1ST BDE

PAGE 2 RUMMA 514 C O N F I D E N T I A L
ATKS NORTH VITY 1/16 & 1/26 INF ADREAST TO SEIZD INITIAL OBJ.
1/2 INF WAKE HELD ASSAULT TO BLOCKING POS ON RIGHT FLANK AND
2/2 (-) INF BLOCKS ALONG WEST SIDE OF OBJ AREA. UNITS: 1ST
BDE, 1ST INF DIV: 1/2; 2/2 INF (-); 1/26 INF AND 1/16 INF.
NO BOUNDARY: XT8000, XT9540, XT9520 & XT8020. ENEMY OP:
THERE ARE NO CONFIRMED VC UNITS IN AL. 1ST BN 165A REST W/300
STRENGTH IS REPT LOC AT XT7520.

3. (U) II AND IV CTZ. NO SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY.
4. (C) RESERVOIR PARAS BY TELECOM DTG LHM0906Z JUL 66.
NEGATIVE DATA TO US NAVY SHIPT SCAT. OF 25 PASSENGERS IN
SOUTH VIETNAMESE JUNK, 10 SURVIVORS, 8 BODIES RECOVERED, 9
MISSING. SEARCH TERMINATED.

5. (C) SAIGON - CHOLON, III CTZ.
PAST INCIDENT INVESTIGATION BY SAIGON POLICE OF RE-
PORTED SELF-IMMOLATION OF BUDDHIST MONK ON 21 JULY REVEALS THAT
PRESS REPORTS OF INCIDENT WERE HIGHLY MISLEADING. POLICE SPRT
INDICATES THAT MONK WAS LE VAN THAI (ALSO CALLED THICH HUE LONG),
24 YEARS OLD, BORN IN CHUONG THIEU PROVINCE, CURRENTLY SERVING
AS BONZE AT THE LINH PHUOC PAGODA SOC TRANG, BA XUYI PROV.
AT APPROXIMATELY 1500 HRS 21 JULY 1965 HE ARRIVED IN SAIGON BY

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RETENTION ARG/SLF

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B. CINCPACFLT 201817Z

1. REF (A) REQUESTED COMMENTS ON CINCPACFLT PROPOSAL (RERV B) TO

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RELEASE ARG FROM SUPPORT OF OPERATION HASTINGS EARLIEST.

2. IN VIEW OF FACT THAT SLF IS ACTUALLY ENGAGED WITH ENEMY FORCES AND CONTINUED NEED EXIST FOR HMM - 363, AND USS PRINCETON SUPPORT, APPROXIMATELY 30 JULY 66.

3. PRIOR TO THAT DATE A REEVALUATION OF SITUATION WILL BE MADE AND PERSONAL EFFECTS, AS WELL AS REEMBARKATION OF HMM-363, 4-2 BATTERY AND FORCE RECON PLT.

4. BELIEVE THAT CURRENT EMPLOYMENT OF THESE FORCES IS OF SUCH IMPORTANCE TO TACTIZFL SITUATION THAT IT SHOULD OVERRIDE SCHEDULED OFFLOADING OF BLT 3/5 AND RECONSTITUTION OF SLF.

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1. DECK HOUSE II (U) SITREP NR 21 AS OF 230200Z.
2. TASK ORGANIZATION
 - A. TG 76.5 AMPHIB READY GROUP CONSISTING OF PRINCETON (OTG 76.5, HAESAJAC TACRON DETIAND BJU DET EMB), ALAMO, PICKAWAY, WHIZD RIVER, JOHN A. BOLE (COMDESDIV 213 EMB).
 - B. 311 -CHELF ASHMOE UNDER OPCON CG TF DELTA. HMM363 CONTINUES UTILIZE PRINCETON AS OP BASE.
3. ACJEXS
 - A. G 76.5 MAINTAINING STATION VIC HACH HAN RIVER MOUTH NORTH OF QUANG TRI IN SUPPORT OF OPS ASHORE.
 - B. SLF

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- (1) BLT 3/5 CONDUCTING S(1) OPS IN OP HASTINGS.
(2) OPERATIONS

(A) AM 22 JULY CO M DISCOVERED E WPPAEPF FIGHTING HOLES AND BUNKERS VIC YD 0262. ONE NVA KILLED AT APPARENT OUTPOST YD 024625; ONE 7.62 SEMI-AUTO WEP CAPTURED. DURING AFTERNOON CO M TAKE UNDER HEAVY AUTO WEP FIRE AND GRENADE BOMBARDMENTS VIC YD 034625 FROM EST 40 NVA. ENEMY POSITION OVERRUN, RESULTING 17 NVA KIA. ONE M/G, SIX 7.62 SEMI-AUTO RIFLES CAPTURED. EARLY EVENING CO M TAKEN UNDER M/G FIRE VIKM YD 034623 WHILE EVAC WIA'S; OVERRAN POSITION. 2 NVA KIA. M/G CAPTURED.

(B) AT 221700H CO L PATROL AMBUSHED VIC YD 025610; PURSUED ENEMY WITH 3 NVA KIA, 1 KIA (PROB), ONE SEMI AUTO RIFLE CAPTURED.

(C) AT 221845H CO I WAS TAKEN UNDER FIRE BY 12-15 NVA WITH AM VIC 026608. RETURNED FIRE WITH UNK RESULTS.

(D) AT 2045H & 2210H CO L RECEIVED MORTAR RDS. CEASED AFER ARTILLERY FIRE WAS CALLED IN ON THE TGT.

(3) CASUALTIES

(A) 22 JULY (LATE REPORTS)

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ENEMY: 6 KIA (BC), 1 KIA (PROB)

USMC: 11 KIA, 18 WIA

(B) CUMULATIVE (DECK HOUSE II & HASTINGS)

ENEMY: 60 KIA, 31 KIA (PROB), 5 WIA (CONF), 15 WIA (PROB), 2 CAPTURED.

USMC: 13 KIA, 41 WIA

(4) CP LOCATIONS

BLT CP - YD 0775605

CO I - YD 019607

CO K - YD 028612

CO L - YD 005600

COM - YD 034623

105 BTRY - YD 115579

C.O. 151 79 MADE OVERNIGHT VISIT ON BOARD FLAGSHIP, WAS BRIEFED BY CTGS 76.5/79.5.

4. INTENTIONS

A. CONTINUE SUPPORT OPS ASHORE.

B. ACTIONS REQUIRED OF HIGHER AUTHORITY: NONE.

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III MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY 203 FOR PD 220001-220400R JUL66

- 1. OPERATIONS
- A. OP MACON. 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NAM PROV WITH LIGHT CONTACT. US LOSSES: 8 KIA, 46 WIA
ENEMY LOSSES: 186 KIA (CONF) (129 GND, 57 KBA)
IA 392 KIA (PROB) (267 GND, 125 KBA)

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B. OP HASTINGS. TASK FORCE DELTA CONT OPS IN QUANG TRI
NRBNSWIZK47 3/4, 2/1, 1/3, 3/5, 1/1, AND 2/9)
AND 3/12 MAR. 2 BTRYS OF 4/12, AND ONEIK4. 2 BTRY OF 1/11 AS
ARTY SPT; WITH 1ST MAR CMD GP AND 2 BNS ON CALL. FROM 212015H
TO 220030H CO H/2/1 CAME INTO HV CONTACT WITH SEVERAL GPS NVA,
FROM VIC (XD 995604, 992519, AND 995592), REVI SA, AW, AND 684c.
.945 1843, RTND SA, CALLED IN ARTY AND MORT FIRE WITH UNK RE-
SULTS, 2 USMC KIA, 8 USMC WIA. AT 220700H H/2/1 VIC (XD 993-
588) DISCOVERED NUMEROUS TRENCHES AND TUNNELS RECENTLY USED.
FOUND 4 NVA KIA VIC (YD 993595, 998576). AT 220941H PLAT FROM
M/3/4 OBS 1 1 NVA VIC (XD 994582), NO WPN, 3 MAGS. AT 221023H
H/2/1 DISCOVERED 2 FRESH GRAVES EACH WITH 2 VC KIA VIC (YD 995-
584). AT 221040H F/2/1 PTL ENCOUNTERED 63 NVA AND CAME UNDER
SA FIRE, PTL FIRED SA. VNA BROKE CONTACT, 2 USMC WIA, 1 NVA
KIA (PROB), 1 NVA WIA (PROB) AT 221115H H/2/1 OBS 3 VC VIC
(YD 035650), FIRED 3.5 RKTS AND M-79 WITH UNK RESULTS. AT
221215H H/2/1 AMB VIC (XD 995594) ENCOUNTERED 18 NVA MOVING IN
STREAM BED. 18436 -, 2 NVA KIA (PROB). AT 221330H A/1/1 PTL
SEARCHED ABANDONED BIVOUAC AREA VIC (YD 046630), FOUND 3 FRESH

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GRAVES WITH 3 NVA, 3 GAS MASKS, 5 PONCHOS, 1 CANVAS BAG. AT 221445H CO G, H, AND E/2/4 RECD SA FIRE FROM 15 NVA VICFKYD 039651), RTND ALL ORGANIC WPNS, CALLED IN 81MM MORT, 3 USMC KIA, 1 USMC WIA, 2 NVA KIA (CONF), 13 NVA KIA (PROB). AT 221515H B/1/3 SET OFF BOOBY TRAP WHILE ATK OBJ VIC (YD 056658) 1 USMC KIA, 1 USMC WIA. AT 121515H H/2/4 RECD FIRE FROM VIC (YD 037-647), RTND FIRE, ENEMY BROKE CONTACT. 2 NVA KIA (CONF). AT 221530H M/3/5 ENGAGED CTA CO VIC (YD 018632), PURSUED UNTIL 221715 WHEN CONTACT WAS LOST. 1 NVA KIA (CONF). AT 221855H G/2/4 ENCOUNTERED NVA, CAME UNDER SA FIRE, RTND SA AND M-79, 1 NVA KIA (CONF). AT 221930H CO E/2/4 RECD 1 MORT RD THAT BURST IN TREE TOP ABOVE MARINES DRAWING RATIONS AT CP, 2 USMC KIA, 5 USMC WIA (MED EVAC). FROM 221230H-222330H L&M/3/5 HAD INTERMITTENT CONTACT WITH 65 NVA VIC (YD 024625, 034623, 025610, AND 034635), 11 USMC KIA, 20 USMC WIA, 23 NVA KIA (CONF) 1 NVA KIA (PROB). US LOSSES: 81 KIA, 272 WIA
ENEMY LOSSES: 537 KIA (CONF) (511 GND, 26 KBA)
584 KIA (PGOB) (558 GND, 26 KBA)

UQWO WPNS, 5 VCC

C. SIGNIFICANT CONTACT. AT 221715H HQ/3D MAR SQD OP ON

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DONG DEN OBS 13 VC VIC (AT 870839), CALLED IN ARTY MSN, 12 VC KIA (CONF).

D. 1ST MARINES DIVISION

(1) CHU LAI TAOR

(A) 5TH MARINES

(1) 1/5TH MAR: AT 220440H CO C SQD CBT

PTL VIC (BT 417123) OBS 4 VC IN UNLIGHTED BOAT VIC (BT 418123).

BOAT FAILED TO HEED CHALLENGE, PTL FIRED 20 RDS SA AND 1 M-79 RD, BOAT SANK. AT 220930H CO D SQD SCTY PTL VIC (BT 312167)

APPREHENDED 1 VCS. AT 221025H, CO B(-) SQD CBT VIC (BT

318164) APPREHENDED -823. AT 221130H CO B CLOSED ON EXTRAC-

TION SITE VIC (BT 306163). AT 221155, CO B(-) SQD CBT PTL VIC

(BT 312165) OBS 3 VC IN STREAM, FIRED 6 RDS AS WARNING, VC

RETD 1 RD, PTL FIRED 50 RDS SA, 1 VCC.. AT 211445H CO B(-) COM-

MENCED EXTRACTION. AT 221502H CO B(-) PLAT CBT PTL VIC (BT

312157) RECD 1 RD SA FIRE FROM VIC (BT 312156), 1 USMC WIA

(MED EVAC), RETD 25 RDS SA AND 5 M-79 RDS, 1 VC WIA (PROB).

DURING SEARCH OF AREA, MARINE DETON UNK TYPE MINE, 1 USMC KIA,

1 USMC WIA (MED EVAC). AT 221540H CO B(-) COMPLETED EXTRACTION.

(2) 2/5TH MAR: (LATE ENTRY) AT 212215H CO H PLAT

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SECRET LIMDIS 25395 FROM: MACCOG2
SUBJECT: ARC LIGHT STRIKE REQUEST (U)
REF A: SECSTATE 262110Y MAR (S) (NOTAL)
REF B: COMUSMACV 25390 DTG 230830Z (S)
THIS MESSAGE IN TWO PARTS
PART ONE FOR CINCPAC

1. (S) THIS MESSAGE CONTAINS SEVEN ARC LIGHT TARGETS LOCATED IN LAOS. TIMEING FOR THE REQUESTED STRIKES WILL BE PROVIDED AT A LATER DATE. EACH SET OF LAOS STRIKES WILL BE SCHEDULED IN THE SAME TIME FRAME AS A COVER STRIKE IN SVN. THE STRIKE ANNOUNCED TO THE PRESS WILL ONLY BE THE ONE IN SVN. IN RESPONSE TO PRESS QUERIES ON A STRIKE IN LAOS, INSTRUCTIONS IN REF A, PARA TWO, WILL APPLY.
2. (S) THE FOLLOWING ARC LIGHT STRIKES ARE SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL: (REF B CONTAINS INTELLIGENCE JUSTIFICATION).

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TARGET UTM COORDINATES

TARGET	UTM COORDINATES	ACFT
A. QUANG TRI SEVENTY-FOUR	XD 636654 RPT XD 636654	TWO (2)
R (TIN MAST ONE)	XD 647669 RPT XD 647669	
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B. QUANG TRI SEVENTY-FIVE	XD 645648 RPT XD 645648	TWO (2)
(TIN MAST TWO)	XD 616611 RPT XD 616611	
	XD 621625 RPT XD 621625	
	XD 630622 RPT XD 630622	
	XD 626608 RPT XD 626608	
C. QUANG TRI SEVENTY-SIX	XD 628576 RPT XD 628576	TWO (2)
(TIN MAST THREE)	XD 619591 RPT XD 619591	
	XD 628596 RPT XD 628596	
	XD 636581 RPT XD 636581	
D. QUANG TRI SEVENTY-SEVEN	XD 558554 RPT XD 558554	TWO (2)
(TIN MAST FOUR)	XD 553563 RPT XD 553563	
	XD 570574 RPT XD 570574	

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	XD 575565 RPT XD 575565	
E. QUANG TRI	XD 543509 RPT XD 543509	TWO
SECENTY-EIGHT		(2)
(TIN MAST FIVE)	XD 551502 RPT XF 551502	
	XD 556524 RPT XD 556524	
	XD 564517 RPT XD 564517	
F. QUANG TRI	XD 535448 RPT XD 535448	TWO
SECENTY-NINE		(2)
(TIN MAST SIX)	XD 528454 RPT XD 528454	
	XD 542469 RPT XD 542469	
	XD 549462 RPT XD 549462	
G. QUANG TRI	XD 762319 RPT XD 762319	TWO
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3. (S) THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION APPLIES TO ALL STRIKES OUTLINED IN PARA TWO ABOVE:

A. WEAPONEERING: REQUEST ALL AIRCRAFT EMPLOY BLU-THREE B MUNITIONS.

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B. MAP SERIES L-701 AND L-7012, SCALE 1:50,000.

C. FRIENDLY FORCES WILL BE NO CLOSER THAN SIX KILOMETERS TO ANY TARGET AT TOT.

D. GROUND EXPLOITATION IS NOT SCHEDULED.

E. IN REGARDS TO PROXIMITY OF HUTS AND HAMLETS, REF B APPLIES.

F. RADAR HELICOPTER BEACON WILL NOT BE PROVIDED.

G. AMEMB., SAIGON HAS APPROVED OVERFLIGHT OF SVN BY STRIKE AIRCRAFT.

PART TWO FOR AMEMB., VIENTIANE

1. (S) REQUEST CONCURRENCE ON PROPOSED ARC LIGHT STRIKES AS DELINEATED IN PART ONE. REQUEST TIMELY REPLY TO CINCPAC (ACTION) JCS AND MACV (INFO).

2. (S) MACV WILL PROVIDE AMEMB., VIENTIANE WITH TIMELY INFORMATION ON THE SCHEDULED TPT'S AND EXECUTION OF THE STRIKES LISTED IN PART ONE.

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1. DECK HOUSE II (U) SITREP NR 22 AS OF 231400Z.
2. TASK ORGANIZATION
 - A. TG 76.5 AMPHIB READY GROUP CONSISTING OF PRINCETON (CTG 76.5, HMM 363, TACRON DET AND BJU DET EMB), ALAMO, PICKAWAY, WHITE RIVER, JOHN A. BOLE (COMDESDIV 213 EMB).
 - B. SLF ASHORE UNDER OPCON CG TF DELTA. HMM 363 CONTINUES UTILIZE PRINCETON AS OP BASE.
3. ACTIONS
 - A. TG 76.5 MAINTAINING STATION VIC THACH HAN RIVER MOUTH NORTH OF QUANG TRI IN SUPPORT OS OPS ASHORE.

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B. SLF

(1) BLT 5/5 CONDUCTING S & D OPS IN OP HASTINGS.

(2) OPS

(A) CO L MADE CONTACT AT YD 010605 WITH ONE NVA KIA, ONE MAUSER RIFLE CAPTURED AND LOCATED 12 GRENADES, 3 DRUMS M/G AMMO.

(B) CO M MADE CONTACT AT YD 033627 WITH 2 NVA KIA, ONE WIA (CONF). COMPLETING SEARCH OF 22 JULY CONTACT AREA, CO M LOCATED ADDL 3 NVA KIA, 20 GRENADES, 400 RDS 7.62 AMMO.

(C) CO I MADE CONTACT WITH TWO NVA. OPENED FIRE TO WOUND AND CAPTURE ONE.

(3) CASUALTIES

(A) 23 JULY (INCLUDING LATE REPORTS)

ENEMY - 6 KIA (BC), 1 WIA (CONF), 1 VCC.

USMC - 4 KIA, 14 WIA.

(B) CUMULATIVE (DECK HOUSE II AND HASTINGS)

ENEMY - 66 KIA, 31 KIA (PROB), 6 WIA (CONF), 15 WIA

(PROB), 3 CAPTURED.

USMC - 22 KIA, 55 WIA

(4) CP LOCATIONS

BLT CP - YD 075605

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CO I - YD 016646

CO K - YD 028612

CO L - YD 005600

CO M - YD 034623

105 BTRY - YD 115579

4. INTENTIONS

A. CONTINUE SUPPORT OPS ASHORE.

B. PRINCETON, BOLE UNREP FROM TOLOVANA AM 24 JULY.

5. ACTIONS REQUIRED OF HIGHER AUTHORITY: NONE.

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1. DECK HOUSE II (U) SITREP NR 23 AS OF 240200Z.
2. TASK ORGANIZATION
 - A. TG 76.5 AMPHIB READY GROUP CONSISTING OF PRINCETON (CTG 76.5, HMM363, TACRON DET AND BJU DET EMB), ALAMO, PICKAWAY, WHITE RIVER, JOHN A. BOLE (COMDESDIV 213 EMB).
 - B. SLF ASHORE UNDER OPCON CG TF DELTA. HMM363 CONTINUES UTILIZE PRINCETON AS OP BASE.
3. ACTIONS
 - A. TG 76.5 MAINTAINING STATION VIC THACH HAN RIVER MOUTH NORTH OF QUANG TRI IN SUPPORT OF OPS ASHORE.
 - B. SLYX
 - (1) BLT 3/5 CONDUCTING S & D OPS IN OP HASTINGS.
 - (2) OPS
 - (A) AT 231900H, 107 HOWTAR BTRY SPOTTED 3 TO 5 NVA VIC YD 052624. RECEIVED S/A FIRE FROM NVA POSITIONS. FIRED ARTILLERY FOR DIRECT HITS. 5 NVA KIA (PROB).
 - (B) CO I FOUND LARGE EQUIPT CACHE AT YD 017607, INCLUDING TWO CHINESE SUB M/G, ONE AN/PRC-10 RADIO, 48 GRENADES, 180 30 CAL RDS, 733 7.62 RDS AND MISC GEAR.
 - (3) CASUALTIES
 - (A) SINCE LAST REPORTS
ENEMY: 1 KIA, 5 KIA (PROB), 1 CAPTURED
USMC: NONE
 - (B) CUMULATIVE (DECK HOUSE II AND HASTINGS)
ENEMY: 67 KIA, 36 KIA (PROB), 6 WIA (CONF), 15 WIA (PROB),
- 4 CAPTURED.
 - (4) CP LOCATIONS
 - BLT CP - YD 075605
 - CO I - YD 016609
 - CO K - YD 028612
 - CO L - YD 005600
 - CO M - YD 034623
 - 150 BTRY - YD 115579
 - C. PRINCETON, BOLE UNREPPED FROM TOLOVANA.
4. INTENTIONS
 - A. CONTINUE SUPPOJS OPS ASHORE.
5. ACTIONS REQUIRED OF HIGHER AUTHORITY: NONE.

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III MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY NR204 FOR PD 230001-232400H JUL66
I. OPERATIONS. OPN MACON. 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPNS IN QUANG NAM PROV
WITH LIGHT CONTACT: CUM CAS: VC: 187 KIA (CONF) (130 GND,
57 KBA), 406 KIA (PROB) (281 GND, 125 KBA), 1 VCC, 25 VCS;
USMC: 8 KIA AND 47 WIA.

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B. OPN HASTINGS. TASK FORCE DELTA CONT OPNS IN QUANG TRI
PROV WITH 7 INF BNS (2/4, 3/4, 2/1, 1/3, 2/5, 1/1, AND 2/9)
AND 3/12 MAR, 2 BTRYS OF 4/12 AND ONE 4.2 BTRY OF 1/11 AS
ARTY SPT; WITH 1ST MAR CMD GRP AND 2 BNS ON CALL.
(LATE ENTRY) FROM 220930H TO 221230H CO M/3/5 MAR SEARCHED
AREA AROUND HILL 314 VIC (YD 021623) AND SADDLE TO THE NORTH-
EAST. FOUND 250 FRESHLY DUG FIGHTING HOLES AND BUNKERS, WITH
FRESH FOLIAGE AS CAMOUFLAGE. (LATE ENTRY) AT 221300H CO M/3/5
OBS 1 NVA ON OUT POST VIC (YD 024625), FIRED SA, 1 NVA KIA
(CONF), ONE NEW 7.62 SEMI AUTO WPN CPTRD. (LATE ENTRY) AT
221525H CO M/3/5 WAS TAKEN UNDER FIRE BY AW AND GRENS FROM 40
NVA, MANY WERE BANDAGED FROM PREVIOUS WOUNDS, AND SOME HAD NO
WPNS. ARVN INTERPRETER ASKED THEM TO SURRENDER BUT NVA REFUSED.
CO M OVERRAN POS, 17 NVA KIA (CONF), ONE MC, SIX 7.62 SEMI-
AUTO WPNS AND UNK NR OF HAND GRENS CPTRD. (LATE ENTRY) AT
221700H CO L/3/5 AMB PTL VIC (YD 025610) OBS 4 NVA, FIRED SA,
SQD FROM L/3/5 AMB PTL VIC (YD 025610) MANEUVERED AGAINST NVA,
3 NVA KIA (CONF), 1 NVA KIA (PROB)? (LATE ENTRY) AT 221918H
AT HEL LZ VIC (YD 034623) CO M/3/5 RECD 4 FIRE, RTMS SA AND
MANEUVERED AGAINST POS, 2 NVA KIA (CONF), 1 MC CPTRD. AT

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230040H M/3/5 MAR POS VIC (YD 027635) RECD HAND GREN AND AW FIRE FROM 2 VC IN SPIDER HOLE WITHIN PERIMETER, 1 USMC KIA, 5 USMC WIA, 2 NVA KIA (CONF), ONE 7.62 RDS 4.7 AT 230945H CO H/2/4 MAR RECD AW AND SA FIRE FROM VIC (YD 038627), RETURNED FIRE WITH ALL ORGANIC WPNS, 2 USMC KIA, 8 USMC WIA, 2 NVA KIA (CONF), 10 NVA KIA (PROB). AT 231000H CO M/3/5 MAR VIC (YD 033627) OBS 3 NVA, FIRED SA, 2 NVA KIA (CONF), 2 RIFLES CPTD. AT 231115H CO I/3/5 VIC (YD 015607) OBS 2 NVA, FIRED SA, 1 NVA CPTD, ONE 57MM RR WITH 2 RDS CPTD. FROM 230920H TO 231300H CO C/1/1 MAR VIC (YD 033651) MADE CONTACT WITH 50 NVA DUG IN AND ARMED WITH AW, REINF BY CO D. AT 231120H, FIRED SA AND 60MM, CALLED IN ARMED UN-1E AND ARTY MSNS, 4 USMC KIA, 18 WIA, 2 VCC, 14 NVA KIA (CONF), 30 NVA KIA (PROB), 2 K-44 RIFLES, 4 AK-47 RIFLES, ONE 8-50 RKT LCHR, 6 RKTS, 8 M-26 GRENS, 4 NVA PACKS, 15 CHICOM GREN, 5 MAGS FOR CHICOM LMG. AT 231216H CO I/3/5 MAR VIC (YD 016605), CHECKING YESTERDAYS AMB SITE FOUND 1 NVA KIA (CONF). AT 231530H 1 NVA SURRENDERED TO CO I/3/5 MAR VIC (YD 017607), CARRYING DOCUMENTS AND PRO-10 RADIO. AT 231555H CO I/3/5 MAR FOUND LARGE CACHE OF EQUIP VIC (YD 017607), 2 SMG, 1 PRO-10 RADIO, 48 WOOD HANDLED GREN,

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180 RDS .50 CAL, 738 RDS 7.62, 1 MG AMMO DRUM, 2 LARGE WFN BAGS, MORT CLEANING GEAR, 31 PR SNEAKERS, 14 GAS MASKS, 12 RUCKSACKS, 22 MOSQUITO NETS, 25 UNIFORMS, 6 SHELTER HALFS, 2 FLASHLIGHTS, 1 ALARM CLOCK, 2 BUSHELS OF RICE, 1 NIGHT LIGHTING DEVICE, MEDICAL SUPPLIES, DOCUMENTS, 7 SMALL MORTARS OR RR'S. AT 231600H 1ST SQD, 5TH PLAT, FORCE RECON REPORTED CONSTRUCTION OF NVA BASE CAMP VIC (YD 926573) AND ENCOUNTERED 4 NVA, FIRED SA, 2 NVA WIA (CONF). AT 231645H CO D/1/1 MAR VIC (YD 033630) RECD 300 RDS SA FROM 20 NVA, RTND SA AND CALLED IN ARTY, 2 USMC WIA. AT 231700H DISCOVERED LARGE AMOUNT OF CLOTHING, 782 GEAR, 12.7 AMMO, ONE 12.7 AA GUN COMPLETE WITH MOUNT AND 2 SIGHTS. AT 231850H BTRY F/2/11 MAR RECD SA FIRE FROM VIC (YD 052624), CALLED IN ARTY, 5 NVA KIA (PROB). AT 231900H ARMED UN-1E DELIVERED AIR STRIKE ON VIC (YD 056558), 2 NVA KIA (CONF). AT 231910H CO G/2/4 OBS 1 NVA VIC (YD 005564), FIRED SA AND M-79 RDS, 1 NVA KIA (CONF). CUM CAS: ENEMY LOSSES: 554 KIA (CONF) (553 GND, 31 KBA), 615 KIA (PROB) (591 GND, 24 KBA), 8 VCC; USMC: 92 KIA, 339 WIA.

C. SIGNIFICANT CONTACT: AT 231120H, RF AGENT REPID THAT THE ARTY MSN FIRED AT 211040H VIC (BS AC2857). LISTED IN SITREP

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III MAF DAILY SITREP NR 204 FOR PD 230001-232400H JUL66
L OP SUMMARY

1. MACOM. 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NAM PROV WITH LIGHT CONTACT.
2. CP DISTURBS. BATT BATTAL/REGIMENT CONT OPS IN QUANG TRI
3. BATTAL/REGIMENT OPS (2/1, 3/4, 2/2, 1/3, 3/5, 1/1, 2/0,
AND 3/12 MAR, 2 BTRYS OF 4/12, END ONE 4.2 BTRY OF 1/11 AS
ARTY SPT; WITH 1ST MAR CMD GRP AND 2 BNS ON CALL.
(LATE ENTRY) FROM 220930H TO 221230H CO M/3/5 MAR SEARCHED
AREA AROUND HILL 314 VIC (YD 021623) AND SADDLE TO THE NORTH-
EAST, FOUND 250 FRESHLY DUG FIGHTING HOLES AND BUNKERS, WITH
FRESH FOLIAGE AS CAMOUFLAGE.
(LATE ENTRY) AT 221300H M/3/5 OBS: 1 NVA ON OUT POST VIC (YD 024625),
FIRED SA, 1 NVA KIA. ONE NEW 7.62 SEMI-AUTO WPN. (LATE ENTRY) AT
221525H M/3/5 WAS TAKEN UNDER FIRE BY AW AND GRENS, FROM 40 NVA,
MANY WERE BANDAGED FROM PREVIOUS WOUNDS, AND SOME HAD NO WPNs.

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ARVN INTERPRETER ASKED THEM TO SURRENDER BUT NVA REFUSED, CO
M OVERRAN POS, 17 NVA KIA (CONF), 1 MG, SIX 7.62 SEMI-AUTO/WPNS
AND UNK NR OF HAND GRENS CPTRD. (LATE ENTRY) AT 225700H CO L/3/5
AMB PTL VIC (YD 025610) OBS 4 NVA, FIRED SA, SQD FROM L/3/5
MANEUVERED AGAINST NVA, 3 NVA KIA (CONF), 1 NVA KIA (PROB).
(LATE ENTRY) AT 221915H AT HEL LZ VIC (YD 034623) CO M/3/5
RECD AW FIRE, RTND SA AND MANEUVERED AGAINST POS, 2 NVA KIA (CONF),
1 MG CPTRD. AT 230040H CO M/3/5 MAR POS VIC (YD 027635)
RECD HAND GREN AND AW FROM 2 VC IN SPIDER HOLE WITHIN THE
PERIMETER, 1 USMC KIA, 5 USMC WIA, 2 NVA KIA (CONF), ONE
7.62 RIFLE CPTRD. AT 230945H CO H/2/4 MAR RECD AW AND SA FIRE FROM
VIC (YD 038651), RTND FIRE WITH ALL ORGANIC WPNS, 2 USMC KIA,
6 USMC WIA, 2 NVA KIA (CONF), 10 VC KIA (PROB). AT 231000H
CO M/3/5 VIC (YD 033627) OBS 3
NVA, FIRED SA, 2 NVA KIA (CONF) 2 RIFLES/CPTRD. AT 231115H CO I/3/5
VIC (YD 015607) OBS 2 NVA, FIRED SA, 1 VCC, ONE 57MM RR WITH
2 RDS CPTRD. FROM 230920H TO 231300H CO C I/1 MAR VIC (YD 033631)
MADE CONTACT WITH 50 NVA DUG IN AND ARMED WITH AW, REINF BY CO D.
AT 231120H FIRED SA AND 60MM, CALLED IN ARMED UN-1E ARTY MSNS, 4
USMC KIA, 18 WIA, 2 VCC, 14 NVA KIA (CONF), 30 NVA KIA (PROB).

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2 K-44 RIFLES, 4 AK-47 RIFLES,
ONE 8-50 RKT LOCH, 6 RXTS, 8 M-26 GRENS, 4 NVA PACKS, 15 CHICOM
GREN, 6 MAGS FOR CHICOM LMG. AT 231216H CO I/3/5 MAR VIC
(YD 016605) CHECKING YESTERDAYS AMB SITE FOUND 1 NVA KIA (CONF). AT
231530H 1 NVA SURRENDERED TO CO I/3/5 MAR VIC (YD 017607)
CARRYING DOCUMENTS AND PRC-10 RADIO. AT 231555H CO I/3/5
MAR FOUND LARGE CACHE OF EQUIP VIC (YD 017607), 2 MSMG, 1
PRC-10 RADIO, 48 GOOD HANDLED GREN, 180 RDS .30 CAL, 738 RDS
7.62, 1 M/G, AMMO DRUM, 2 LARGE WPN BAGS, MORT CLEANING GEAR,
31 PR SNEAKERS, 14 GAS MASKS, 12 RUCKSACKS, 22 MOSQUITO NETS,
25 UNIFORMS, 6 SHELTER HALFS, 2 FLASHLIGHTS, 1 ALARM CLOCK, 2
BUSHELS OF RICE, 1 NIGHT LIGHTING DEVICE, MEDICAL SUPPLIES,
DOCUMENTS, 7 SMALL MORTARS OR RR'S. AT 231600H 1ST SQD, 5TH
PLAT, FORCE RECON REPORTED CONSTRUCTION OF NVA BASE CAMP VIC
(XD 926574) AND ENCOUNTERED 4 NVA, FIRED SA, 2 NVA KIA (CONF).
AT 231615H CO D/1/1 MAR VIC (YD 033630) RECD 300 RDS SA FROM
20 NVA, RTND SA AND CALLED IN ARTY, 2 USMC WIA. AT 231700H
DISCOVERED LARGE AMOUNT OF CLOTHING, 782 GEAR, 12.7 AMMO, 1
12.7MM AA GUN COMPLETE WITH MOUNT AND 2 SITES. AT 231830H
BTRY F/2/11 MAR RECD SA FIRE FROM VIC (YD 052624), CALLED

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IN ARTY, 5 NVA KIA (PROB). AT 231900H
ARMED UH-1E DELIVERED AIR STRIKE ON VIC (YD 056558), 2 NVA KIA (CONF).
AT 231910H CO G/2/4 OBS 1 NVA VIC (YD 003564), FIRED SA AND M-79 RDS,
1 NVA KIA (CONBW).

C. SIGNIFICANT CONTACT: AT 231120H, RF AGENT REPID THAT
THE ARTY MSN FIRED AT 211040 VIC (BS 460885) LISTED IN SITREP
NR202 AS THE EIGHTH FRIENDLY INITIATED CONTACT RESULTED IN 1
STORAGE AREA DEST, ONE STORAGE AREA DAM, 17 VC KIA (CONF).

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(1) OP MACON. 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NAM PROV.

(2) OP HASTINGS. TASK FORCE DELTA CONT OPS IN QUANG

TRI PROV.

E. MAJOR UNIT OPS:

(A) MACON: US LOSSES: 8 KI

ENEMY LOSSES: 47 WIA
187 KIA (130 GND, 57 KBA)
406 KIA (PROB) 281 GND, 125 KBA)
1 VCC, 26 VCS

CUM TAC AIRSTRIKE SORTIES: 22

CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUN FIRE: NONE

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(B) HASTINGS: 584 KIA (CONF) (553 GND, 31 KBA)

615 KIA (PROB) (591 GND, 24 KBA)

148 WPNS, 8 VCC, NONE VCS

I US LOSSES: 92 KIA, 339 WIA

CUM TAC AIRSTRIKE SORTIES: 557

CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUN FIRE: NONE

F. FRIENDLY INITIATED SMALL UNIT CONTACTS: 13

PROV/COORD	DTG	FRD UNIT/LOSSES	EN UNIT/LOSSES	TYPE ACTION
QUANG TIN				
BT 347072	231500H (D)	C/1/RECON/NONE	UNK/NONE	OP
QUANG NGAI				
BS 267952	230930H (D)	L/3/7/NONE	UNK/2 VCS	PIL
BS 023003	231000H (D)	A/1/7/NONE	UNK/1 VCS	DEF
BS 131011	231010H (D)	C/1/2/RECON/NONE	UNK/UNK	OP
BS 270027	231010H (D)	M/2/1/7/NONE	UNK/NONE	ARTY FM
BT 24002	231130H (D)	A/1/7/NONE	UNK/2 VCS	DEF
BS 23013	231210H (D)	W/1/2/RECON/NONE	UNK/NONE	OP
BT 33048	231210H (D)	D/1/2/RECON/NONE	UNK/5 VCS	ARTY FM
BS 21012	231210H (D)	L/2/1/7/NONE	UNK/NONE	DEF

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IN ARTY, 5 NVA KIA (PROB). AT 231900H
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1 NVA KIA (CONBU).

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1 VCC, 26 VCS

CUM TAC AIRSTRIKE SORTIES: 22
CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUN FIRE: NONE
ENEMY LOSSES

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(B) HASTINGS: 584 KIA (CONBU) (553 GND, 31 KBA)
613 KIA (PROB) (591 GND, 24 KBA)
128 WPAS, 8 VCC, NONE VCS

I US LOSSES: 02 KIA, 359 WIA

CUM TAC AIRSTRIKE SORTIES: 507
CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUN FIRE: NONE

F. FRIENDLY INITIATED SMALL UNIT CONTACTS: 13

PROV/COORD	DTG	FRD UNIT/LOSSES	EN UNIT/LOSSES	TYPE ACTION
QUANG TIN				
BT 041000	231500Z (02)	C/1-RECON/NONE	UNK/NONE	OP
QUANG BINH				
BT 010000	231900H (02)	C/2/7/NONE	UNK/2 VCS	PIL
BT 030000	231000H (02)	A/1/1/NONE	UNK/1 VCS	DEF
BT 040000	231010Z (02)	C/1/1/CON/NONE	UNK/UNK	OP
BT 050000	231040Z (02)	B/1/1/NONE	UNK/NONE	ARTY FM
BT 060000	231100Z (02)	B/2/1/NONE	UNK/2 VCS	DEF
BT 070000	231100Z (02)	A/1/1/CON/NONE	UNK/NONE	OP
BT 080000	231100Z (02)	A/1/1/CON/NONE	UNK/1 VCS	PIL
BT 090000	231100Z (02)	A/1/1/CON/NONE	UNK/NONE	DEF

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Subj: OPN HASTINGS

Source: Maj. PEELER, NMCC

1. Fol. info received from MACV and passed to MCCC via KY-3

a. Unit locations - USMC

(1)	TF Delta & 3/4	-	CAM LO
(2)	2/9	-	DONG HA
(3)	3/5	-	076603
(4)	1/1	-	040633
(5)	2/4	-	040647
(6)	1/3	-	056650
(7)	2/1	-	XD 983560

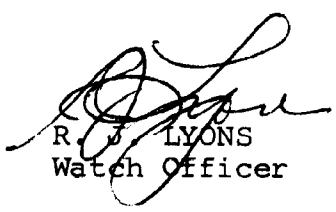
b. Unit locations - ARVN

(1)	2d & 8th Abn (Zone C)-Dong Ha	
(2)	6th ABN	- YD 022558
(3)	1/1 & 2/1 (ARVN Zone A)	- YD 184696

c. 3/5 contact involving Kelo and India Cos. as of 241730H still receiving SA fire. Kelo Co. casualties evacuated. India Co still had some casualties on hand. Preliminary and incomplete casualty count shows USMC 6 KIA, 21 WIA

d. VC casualties as of 241800H - 698 KIA.

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1. (C) I CTZ.

A. [REDACTED] CONT WITH LIGHT CONTACT THROUGHOUT USMC AREA DURING THE NIGHT. [REDACTED] MADE CONTACT WITH 100 VC VIC YD0161. [REDACTED] MOVED TO ASSIST. VC BROKE CONTACT WITH K/3/5 AT 241900H BUT CONT HARASSING FIRE IN 1/3/5 POSITIONS UNTIL 242400H. USMC LOSSES: 6 KIA, 21 WIA. AT 241930H, 2/4 RECD A 60MM & 81MM MORT ATK VIC YD039655 RESULTING IN USMC: 1 KIA, 60 WIA.

CUM RESULTS: FRD: USMC: 99 IA, 448 WIA; ARVN: 19 KIA, 27 WIA, 6 IND WPNS; VC: 698 KIA, 10 VCC, 154 WPNS.

B. CASUALTIES, BY SERVICE, RESULTING FROM MORTAR ATTACK ON MARBLE MOUNTAIN AIR FACILITY: USMC 9, USN 11, USA 2. TOTAL: 22 WIA VIC 27 WIA PREVIOUSLY REPORTED.

C. OP LAN SON 291 A REACTION OPERATION TO A VC ATTACK ON AN RF OUTPOST IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE AT 240730H EMPLOYING 2/3, 3/3 ARVN AND THE 4TH VN MAR BN. THIS OP REPORTED CONTACT WITH AS EST 2 VC BNS AT 241630H VIC YD5841. VC BROKE CONTACT AT 250230H. RESULTS ARE NOT AVAILABLE BUT ARVN LOSSES HAVE BEEN LIGHT.

2. (U) II CTZ. NO SIGNIFICANT ACTION.

3. (U) III CTZ. OP CEDAR RAPIDS TERM 241300H. FINAL RESULTS TO FOLLOW.

4. (C) IV CTZ.

A. OPN PHI HO 15 IN KIEN GIANG PROV (WR195894) 21 KM SE OF RACH GIA STARTED AT 240800H AND TERM 241900H. UNITS: 1/15 & 2/15 INF, 3 RF COS; RES: 43D RGR BN. RESULTS: FRD: 1 KIA, 6 WIA; EN: 28 KIA (VNBC), 3 I WPNS, 1 A/A MG, ONE 60MM MORT CPTR. 12 TAC AIR SORTIES SPTD. NO NGF.

B. OPN DAN CHI 544 IN DINH TUONG PROV (WR800960) 14 KM S OF CAN THO STARTED AT 240630H AND TERM 241540H. UNITS: 10 RF COS, 7 PF PLATS; RES: 2/33 INF, 1 PLAT ARMED CARS. RESULTS: FRD: NEG; EN: 6 KIA, 5 VCC, 15 VCS, 4 I WPNS AND 11 DRAFT DODGERS CPTR.

C. LOCAL S/D OPN IN KIEN GIANG PROV (VS790348) 30 KM NW OF RACH GIA STARTED AT 240300H AND TERM 241400H, ENGAGED EST 1 EN PLAT. UNITS: 2 RECON COS. RESULTS: FRD: NEG; EN: 13 KIA (VNBC), 8 I WPNS CPTR.

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III MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY 205 FOR PD 240001-242400H JUL66
1. OPERATIONS.

A. MACON. 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NAM PROV WITH
LIGHT CONTACT. AT 240650H CO 1/3/9 PLAT PTL FOUND 1 VC KIA,
1 CAL .50 MG, 1 RIFLE, 1 CHIOM GREN, AND DOCUS. AT 240700H CO
1/3/9 PLAT PTL VIC (AT 906524) OBS 4 VC VIC (AT 906528), FIRED

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30 RDS SA, 10 RDS M-79, 10 RDS 31MM UNK RESULTS. AT 241000H CO
M/3/9 VIC (AT 926527) RECD 7 RDS SA FROM VIC (AT 935528), CALLED
IN 15 RDS 81MM WITH UNK RESULTS. US LOSSES: 8 KIA, 48 WIA
ENEMY LOSSES: 188 KIA (CONF) (131 GND, 57 KBA)
406 KIA (PROB) (281 GND, 125 KBA)
4 WPNS (3 RIFLES, 1 MG)

B. OP HASTINGS. TASK FORCE DELTA CONT OPS IN QUANG TRI
PROV WITH 7 INF BNS (2/4, 3/4, 2/1, 1/3, 3/5, 1/1, AND 2/9) AND
3/12 MAR, 2 BTRYS OF 4/12, AND ONE 4.2 BTRY OF 1/11 AS ARTY SPT;
WITH 1ST MAR CMD GRP AND 2 BNS ON CALL. AT 232345H VIC (XD 995-
589) H/2/1 RECD MORT AND SA FIRE FROM 1 NVA PLAT. RTND SA/AV
WITH UNK RESULTS. FROM 232300H TO 240115H VIC (XD 998593) CO F
LF MADE CONTACT WITH 30 NVA, FIRED 45 RDS SA, THREW GREN, 4 NVA
KIA (PROB). AT 240600H 2/4 APPREHENDED 1 NVA VIC (YD 050691),
1 AX-7, 3 MAGS, 6 GRENS, 780 GEAR CPTRD. AT 240545H H/2/1 RECD
SA AND MORT FIRE VIC (XD 997596), RTND GREN, SA, AND 4.2 MORT,
SEARCHED AREA, 3 NVA KIA (CONF), 4 IND RIFLES, 6 GRENS, 6 LOADED
MAGS. AT 240900H CO 1/3/5 FOUND 15 NVA KIA VIC (YD 016615) AND 6
NVA KIA VIC (YD 015611). AT 240520H VIC (XD 953845) RECON PTL

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5F-2 OBS 10 VC WALKING INTO CANOPY, ARTY MSN CALLED WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 240920H CO H/2/1 RECD 4 RDS SA VIC (YD 039655) RTND SA WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 241015H CO E/2/1 AMB VIC (XD 989697) AMB 1 NVA, 1 NVA KIA, 1 IND RIFLE CPTD. AT 241030H CO H/2/4 VIC (YD 039651) FOUND 7 NVA KIA, RECOVERED 1AK-47. AT 241055H CO K/3/5 VIC (YD 045619) FOUND 1 NVA KIA. AT 241216H CO I/3/5 VIC (YD 011-616) ENGAGED 3 NVA, 1 NVA KIA (CONF), 1 NVA WIA (CONF), 2 NVA CPTD. AT 241240H CO I/3/5 ENGAGED 100 NVA VIC (YD 011616) RECD MORT AND SA FIRE, AT 241730H CO K/3/5 BECAME ENGAGED VIC (YD 016616), CO H/3/5 WAS ENGAGED VIC (YD 004607), AT 241900H ENEMY FIRE NEUTRALIZED AND NVA BROKE CONTACT, ALL WIA EVACED, 6 USMC KIA, 21 USMC WIA, NVA CAS UNK AT THIS TIME. AT 241254H D/1/1 PTL VIC (YD 027-631) FOUND 1 NVA KIA, CPTD 1 RIFLE AND 100 RDS 7.62MM, 4 CHI-COM GRENS. AT 241300H E/2/1 ENCOUNTERED 3 NVA VIC (XD 989-605), FIRED SA, 2 NVA KIA, 2 WPNS, AND 782 GEAR CPTD. AT 241630H B/1/3 APPREHENDED 1 NVA VIC (YD 058656), AT 241750H C/1/1 PTL FOUND 2 NVA KIA. AT 241800H B/1/1 FOUND 1 NVA KIA VIC (YD 060633). AT 241848H 3/5 REPTD 1 UN-54 HEL DOWN IN OC (YD 012682) DUE TO RD IN TRANSMISSION OIL PAN. AT 241930H 2/4 NM AND COS E AND H VIC (YD 039655) RECD 25 RDS 81MM; AT SAME

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TIME CO A RECD 25 RDS 60MM, RTND SA/60MM/80MM AND ARTY WITH UNK RESULTS, 1 USMC KIA, 60 USMC WIA. AT 242030H HEL LZ RECD 12.7 FROM VIC (YD 013623), CALLED IN ARTY, FIRE CEASED.

US LOSSES: 99 KIA, 448 WIA
ENEMY LOSSES: 644 KIA (CONF) (613 GND, 31 KBA)
658 KIA (PROB) (632 GND, 26 KBA)
158 WPNS (138 RIFLES, 20 AW)
11 VCC

D. 1ST MARINE DIVISION

(1) CHU LAI TAOR

(A) 5TH MARINES

(1) 1/5TH MAR: AT 240245H CO A POS VIC (BT 395-113) RECD 10 VREN, 3 RIFLE GREN AND 50 RDS SA FROM 15 VC, RTND 100 RDS SA AND 3 RDS 105MM ILLUM, 7 USMC WIA (4 EVAC).

(2) 2/5TH MAR: (LATE ENTRY) AT 232000H CO

6 FTM AMB VIC (BT 420047) HEARD NOISES, FIRED 5 RDS SA, RECD 1 GREN, REPTD 5 GREN WITH NEG RESULTS. AT 241945H CO H FTM CBT PTL VIC (BT 439064) DEST 155MM RD RIGGED AS MINE IN BUSHES BE-SIDE ROAD.

(B) 7TH MARINES

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- 1. DECK HOUSE II (U) SITREP NR 25 AS OF 250200Z.
- 2. TASK ORGANIZATION
 - A. TG 76.5 AMPHIB READY GROUP CONSISTING OF PRINCETON (CTG 76.5, HMM363, TACRON DET AND BJU DET EMB), ALAMO, PICKAWAY, WHITE RIVER, JOHN A. BOLE (COMDESDIV 213 EMB)..
 - B. SLF AASHORE UNDER OPCON CG TF DELTA. HMM363 CONTINUES UTILIZE PRINCETON AS OP BASE.

3. ACTIONS

- A. TG 76.5 MAINTAINING STATION VIC THACH HAN RIVER MOUTH NORTH OF QUANG TRI IN SUPPORT OF OPS ASHORE.
- B. SLF

- (1) BLT 3/5 CONDUCTING S&D OPS IN OP HASTINGS.
- (2) OPS

(A) CO I, IN NIGHT DEFENSIVE POSITIONS, CONTINUED TO RECEIVE MORTAR AND SNIPER FIRE. COUNTER FIRE RESULTED IN SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS. CO WAS UNABLE TO EVAC KIA'S AND WIA'S. ARTY FIRE WAS DIRECTED AGAINST 12.7MM M/G FIRE RECEIVED FROM VIC YD 013623.. RESULTS UNK.

(B) CO K RECEIVED MORTAR AND S/A FIRE DURING ENEMY CONTACT 17330-1900H 24 JULY.

(C) UH-34 HELO OF HMM363 WAS DOWNED BY MATERIAL FAILURE VIC CO M AT 1851H. CREW WAS EVAC. NO CASUALTIES. HELO RETRACTED TO PRINCETON.

(3) CASUALTIES

- (A) SINCE LAST REPORT
 - ENEMY - 3 KIA ✓
 - USMC - 3 KIA, 6 WIA ✓

- (B) CUMULATIVE (DECK HHOUSE II AND HASTINGS)
 - ENEMY - 125 KIA, 36 KIA (PROB), 6 WIA (CONF), 15 WIA

(PROB), 5 CAPTURED

USMC - 31 KIA; 82 WIA

(4) CP LOCATIONS

- BLT CP - YD 075605
- CO I - YD 011616
- CO K - YD 018616
- CO L - YD 005600
- CO M - YD 025636
- 105 BTRY -- YD 115579

4. INTENTIONS

- A. CONTINUE SUPPORT OPS ASHORE.

5. ACTIONS REQUIRED OF HIGHER AUTHORITY: NONE.

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SUBJ: ARC LIGHT STRIKE REQUEST (U)

REF: A COMUSMACV 25599 DTG 250956Z (S) *ARC LIGHT/HASTING*

1. (S) THIS MESSAGE REQUESTS APPROVAL OF SIX ARC LIGHT STRIKES. LOCATED IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE, SVN. TIMING FOR THE REQUESTED STRIKES WILL BE PROVIDED AT A LATER DATE. THE THREE TARGETS AS REFERENCED IN REF A HAVE BEEN DIVIDED INTO SIX TARGETS FOR FLEXIBILITY IN SCHEDULING AS HARASSMENT TARGETS.

2. (S) THE FOLLOWING ARC LIGHT STRIKES ARE SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL: (REF A CONTAINS INTELLIGENCE JUSTIFICATION).

TARGET	UTM COORDINATES	ACFT
A. QUANG TRI ONE ZERO FOUR A (SHORT STICK TWO)	XD 870628 RPT XD 870628	THREE (3)
	XD 867617 RPT XD 867617	
	XD 882612 RPT XD 882612	
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B. QUANG TRI ONE ZERO FOUR B (SHORT STICK THREE)	XD 882612 RPT XD 882612	THREE (3)
	XD 882623 RPT XD 882623	
	XD 877608 RPT XD 877608	
	XD 870617 RPT XD 870617	
C. QUANG TRI ONE ZERO FIVE A (SHORT STICK FOUR)	XD 871217 RPT XD 871217	THREE (3)
	XD 874226 RPT XD 874226	
	XD 883213 RPT XD 883213	
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D. HUANG TRI ONE ZERO FIVE B X0 883513 I HEEAAA0313 THREE
(SHORT STICK FIVE) (S)

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E. HUANG TRI ONE ZERO SIX A X0 903580 RPT X0 903580 THREE
(SHORT STICK SIX) (S)

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F. HUANG TRI ONE ZERO SIX B X0 913575 RPT X0 913575 THREE
(SHORT STICK SEVEN) (S)

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3. (S) THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION APPLIES TO ALL STRIKES
OUTLINED IN PARA TWO ABOVE:

A. WEAPONING. REQUEST H.E. MUNITIONS AT SAC'S
DISCRETION WITH 30:70 SURFACE TO SUBSURFACE ON SHORT STICK TWO,
THREE, SIX AND SEVEN. REQUEST 20:20 SURFACE TO SUBSURFACE ON
SHORT STICK FOUR AND FIVE.

B. MAP SERIES L-701, SCALE 1:20,000.

C. GROUND EXPLOITATION IS NOT SCHEDULED.

D. IN REGARDS TO HUTS AND HAMLETS, REF A APPLIES.

E. FRIENDLY FORCES WILL BE NO CLOSER THAN THREE KILOMETERS
TO THE TARGET AT TOT.

F. RADAR HELICOPTER BEACON WILL NOT BE PROVIDED.

G. AMEMB., SAIGON AND GVN HAVE APPROVED ALL TARGETS LISTED

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1. (C) I CTZ: OPN HASTINGS/LAM SON 289. LAM SON 289 TERM-
INATED AT 250600H AND LAM SON 239A COMMENCED AT 250600 H WITH 3
ARVN BN'S, 1/2 (-), 4/2, AND 3/1 IN ZONE A. LIGHT CONTACT CONTINUED
IN WESTERN PART AO.

2. GKO) II CTZ:

A. OPN JOHN PAUL JONES: AT 251040H ELM OF 18TH CO, 3D BN,
ROK MAR BDE ENGAGED VC SQUAD VIC CQ016357. RESULTS: FRD NEG; VC:
5 KIA (ROK BC), 1 VCC, 1 IWP. AT 251230H ELEM OF 3D CO, 1ST BN,
ROK MAR BDE ENGAGED 5 VC IN CAVE VIC CQ 280289. RESULTS: FRD

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NEG; VC: 5 KIA (ROK BC), 1 IWP, 6 AT MINES, 3 BLOCKS TNT, SA
AMMO AND WEB EQUIP.

B. REF MY 221232Z JUL, PARA 2A(5). J2 OB CARRIES
FOLLOWING VC UNITS IN EXTENDED JOHN PAUL JONES AO:

95TH NVA REGT	STR: 2000
18B NVA REGT	STR: 2000
H65 VC LF BN	STR: 300
95TH ARTY BN	STR: 400

TOTAL STR: 4700

C. ALL OTHER OPNS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPT OR
CHG IN MSN SINCE MY 250430Z JUL.

3. (C) III CTZ:

A. IN LONG AN PROVINCE APPROX 15 KM S OF SAIGON
(XS882742) AT 241400H RECON COMPANY OF THE 46TH REGT ARVN MADE
CONTACT WITH AN EST VC CO. AT 241700H 1/46 (-) WAS HELILIFTED
INTO AO TO REINFORCE. HEAVY CONTACT LASTED UNTIL 241800H. ARMED
HELICOPTERS AND 10 SORTIES TAC AIR SUPPORTED. SPORADIC CONTACT
LASTED UNTIL 250600H. RESULTS: FRD: 24 KIA (1 US), 23 WIA,
4 MIA; EN: 2 KIA, 5 VCC. ELEMENTS OF 46TH REGT CONTINUE OPN
IN THE AREA.

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B. ALL MAJOR OPNS CONTINUE W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT OR
CHANGE OF MISSION.

4. (C) IV CTZ: OPN DAN CHI 249 CONTINUES W/O SIGNIFICANT
CONTACT. ALL ELEMENTS CLOSE B-52 STRIKE AREA AT 251235H BY
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1. DECK HOUSE II (1") SITREP NR 26 AS OF 251400Z..
 2. TASK ORGGANIZATION
 - A. TG 76.5 AMPHIB READY GROUP COONSISTING OF PRINCETON (CTG 76.5, HMM 363, TTACRON DET AND BJUU DET EMB), ALAMMO, PICKAWAY, WHITE RIVER, JOHN A. BOLE (COMDESDIV)13 EMB)V.
 - B. SLF ASHORE UNDER OPCON CG TF DELTA. HMM 363 CONTINUES UTILIZE PRINCETON AS OP BASE.
 3. ACTIONS
 - A. TG 76.5 MAINTAINING STATION VIC THACH HAN RIVER MOUTH NORTH OF QUANG TRI IN SUPPORT OF OPS ASHORE.

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B. SLLF

(1) BLT 3/5 CONDUCTING S & D OPS IN OP HASTINGS.

(2) OPS

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(A) CRITICAL WOUNDED EVACUATED FROM ALL CO'S BY HELO.

(B) SPORADIC ENEMY FIRE BEING RECEIVED BY CO'S I & L FROM
AROUND ENTIRE PERIMETER.(C) CO'S I, K, L, IN MUTUAL SUPPORTING NIGHT DEFENSIVE
POSITIONS WITH CO M IN BLOCKING POSITION. NIGHT PATROLS & AMBUSHES
BEING CONDUCTED.

(3) CASUALTIES

(A) DURING PERIOD: NONE.

(B) CUMULATIVE (DECK HOUSE II AND HASTINGS)

ENEMY - 125 KIA, 36 KIA (PROB), 6 WIA (CONF), 15 WIA
(PROB), 5 CAPTURED.

USMC - 38 KIA, 83 WIA (ADJUSTED AS CONFIRMED)

(4) UNIT LOCATIONS

BLT CP - YD 075605

CO I - YD 011616

CO K - YD 013616

CO L - YD 011616

PAGEE THREE RUMFUAC 1178 S E C R E T

CO M - YD 020635

1055 BTRY - YD 115579

(5) UH-34 HELO FROM HMM-363 LOST WHEN DOWNED BY ENGINE FAILURE
DURING RESUPPLY MISSION, VIC YD 043637. ONE FATALITY, 3 INJURED.

4. INTENTIONS

A. CONTINUE SUPPORT OPS ASHORE.

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1. (C) I CTZ

A. OP HASTINGS/LAM SON 289 CONTINUES WITH LIGHT CONTACT. ABN TF HQS, 2ND AND 8TH ABN BNS LOC DONG HA. 5TH ABN BN TO BE EXTRACTED FROM AO AT 250200H. 1ST ARVN REGT CP AND 1/1 (ARVN) LOC (YD222682). 2/1 (ARVN) LOC (YD216683). LAM SON 289 SCHED TO TERM AT 250600H. LAM SON 289A COMMITTING 4/2, 3/1, AND 1/2 (-) IN ZONE A SCHED TO COMMENCE AT 250600H. UNITS CONTINUE TO FIND VC BODIES IN SEARCH AREAS. RESULTS OF K/I/3/5 CONTACT NOT AVAIL

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AT THIS TIME.

B. OPN MACON CONTINUES WITH LIGHT CONTACT.

C. LAM SON 291, REF MY 250029Z JUL 66, RESULTS OF CONTACT SO FAR REPORTED: FRD: 1 WIA; VC: 1VCC.

D. CUM RESULTS:

	FRIENDLY		
	HASTINGS/LAMHWN 289	ARVN	MACON
	US		US
KIA	99	21	8
WIA	448	26	48
MIA			
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KIA	698		194
VCC	12		1
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 ZEN/CG FIELD FORCE ONE NHA TRANG RVN.
 ZEN/CG FIELD FORCE TWO BIEN HOA RVN.
 ZEN/CG ROK FV
 DDKUV/CTG SEVEN SIX
 ZEN/CG THIRD MARDIV
 DDKM/CG FIRST MARDIV
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1. OP SUMMARY

A. MACON. 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NAM PROV WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 251445H MARINE FROM CO M/3/9 STEPPED ON EXPLOSIVE DEVICE VIC (AT 930514), 1 USMC WIA (MED EVAC). AT 251500H CO M/3/9 PLAT VIC (AT 938529) OBS 4 VC VIC (AT 939-529), FIRED SA, 1 VC KIA (CONF).

B. OP HASTINGS. TASK FORCE DELTA CONT OPS IN QUANG TRI PROV WITH 7 INF BNS (2/1, 3/4, 2/1, 1/3, 3/4, 1/1, AND 2/9) AND 3/12 MAR, 2 BTRYS OF 4/12, AND ONE 4.2 BTRY OF 1/11 AS ARTY SPT; WITH 1ST MAR CMD GRP AND 1 BN ON CALL. AT 250318H ARTY MSN IN SPT OF 1/1 MAR VIC (YD 035664) CAUSED LARGE FIRE AND LARGE SECONDARY EXPLCS, FOLLOWED BY 4 SEPARATE AND SMALLER EXPLCS. AT 25045H CO B/3/1 MAR FOUND 2 VNA KIA VIC (YD 056661); 2 DISPATCH CASES, AND DOCUS VIC (YD 052661). AT 250950H 1 CH-34 LANDING IN LZ VIC (YD 0463) HIT A TREE WITH

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ROTOR, FLIPPED OVER AND CRASHED. 1 USMC KIA, 1 USMC WIA (MED EVAC). AT 251000 CO L/3/4 ENGAGED 1 NVA VIC (YD 016667), 1 NVA KIA (CONF), 1 CHICOM 7.62 RIFLE. AT 251030H AIR STRIKE VIC (YD 020623) UNCOVERED NUMEROUS BUNKERS AND TRENCHES, 5 KBA (CONF). AT 251425H CO B/1/1 RECD 81MM MORTAR RDS FROM VIC (YD 025647), CALLED IN 81MM MORT AND ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 251500H CO L/3/5 MAR OBS 7 NVA, FIRED SA, 1 NVA KIA (CONF). AT 251512H CO C/2/4 MAR RECD 22 RDS 81MM MORT FROM VIC (YD 053647), CALLED IN 81MM AND ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 251630H CO L/3/5 ENGAGED 20 NVA VIC (YD 011616), FIRED SA, 4 NVA KIA (CONF), 10 NVA KIA (PROB). AT 251955H CO H/2/4 OBS 2 NVA VIC (YD 052654), FIRED SA, 2 NVA KIA (CONF), 2 CHICOM AR'S. AT 252237H CO K/3/5 MAR SEARCHED AREA VIC (YD 018617) AND CO I SEARCHED AREA VIC YD 011617, BOTH AREAS OF CONTACTS ON 24 JULY, FOUND 17 NVA KIA (CONF), 66 KIA (PROB), ONE 30 CAL MG, ONE 12.7MM MG, 9 SEMI-AUTO CHICOM RIFLES, 2 CHINESE SMG, ONE .30 CAL AUTO RIFLE, 1 M-14 RIFLE, 5 M-72'S, 80 FRAG GREN, 1000 BLASTING CAPS, 25 LBS DEMOLITION, 2 MINES, 1 82MM RD, 4000 RDS .30 CAL LINKED, 1 BASE PLATE AND 81MM TUBE (DEST), ONE 57MM RR, 60 PACKS, 20 PONCHOS, 25 MOSQUITO NETS, 8 REELS

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COMM WIRE, 9 ENTRENCHING TOOLS, 7 HAMMOCKS, 3 BLANKETS, 10 UNIFORMS, 11 GREN POUCHES, NUMEROUS MED SUPPLIES AND DOCUS. ✓
C. SIGNIFICANT CONTACT: AT 250850H, 3D PLAT CO., 1ST RECON BN AT AN HOA OUTPOST VIC (BS 475864) OBS 80 VC GATHERING IN VIL VIC (BS 508884), FIRED 8ARTY MSNS (107 RDS 155MM AND 14 RDS 8"), 2 SECONDARY EXPLOS. AT 251330H LOCAL RF AGENT REPORTED 60 VC KIA (CONF) VIC (BS 508884).

D. PLANS SUMMARY

(1) OP MACON. 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NAM PROV.
(2) OP HASTINGS. TASK FORCE DELTA CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG TRI PROV.
(3) OP FRANKLIN. BEGINNING 0700, 26 JULY 1966 7TH MARINES WILL CONDUCT 2 BN S&D OP IN CONJUNCTION WITH 2D ARVN DIV IN EASTERN BINH SON DIST, QUANG NGAI PROV, TO FIND, CAPTURE, OR DESTROY ENEMY FORCES, SUPPLIES AND EQUIP, AND CLEAR AREA FOR SUBSEQUENT OPERATION BY 2D KMC BDE. AREA OF OP IS BOUNDED ON NORTH BY 1ST DIV TAOR LIMIT, ON EAST BY COAST LINE, ON SOUTH BY 1ST DIV RAOR AND ON THE WEST BY ROUTE NR. 1. AT H-3 ON D-DAY, 1 CO REINF WITH TKS AND ONTOS WILL EXECUTE CBT PTL TO SOUTH VIC (BS 6593) AND ESTABLISH BLK POS. AT H-1 ON D-DAY, 1 RE-

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CON PLAT WILL BE INSERTED VIC (BS 635882) WITH SECTION 107MM MORT IN DIRECT SPT. AT H-HOUR ON D-DAY 2 BNS (-) USMC AND ARVN FORCES WILL ATK EAST FROM POS ALONG RTE NR 1.

E. MAJOR UNIT OPS:

(1) MACON: US LOSSES: 8 KIA, 49 WIA
ENEMY LOSSES: 189 KIA (CONF) 132 GND, 57 KBA)
406 KIA (PROB) (281 GND, 125 KBA)
5 WPNS
NONE VCC, 26 VCS

QUM TAC AIRSTRIKE SORTIES: 22

QUM RESULTS NAVAL GUN FIRE: NONE

(2) HASTINGS: US LOSSES: 116 KIA, 448 WIA (AS OF 242400H)
ENEMY LOSSES: 690 KIA, (CONF) (654 GND, 36 KBA)
600 KIA (PROB) (574 GND, 26 KBA)
161 WPNS (141 IND, 20 AW)
10 VCC, NONE VCS

QUM TAC AIRSTRIKE SORTIES: 721

QUM RESULTS NAVAL GUN FIRE: NONE

F. FRIENDLY INITIATED SMALL UNIT CONTACTS: 20

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PROV/COORD	DIG	FRD UNIT/LOSSES	EN UNIT/LOSSES	ACTION
QUANG TIN				
BT 488039	251200H (D)	F/2/7/NONE	UNK/1 VCS	DEF
BT 428038	251345H (D)	G/2/5/NONE	UNK/NONE	PTL
BT 372154	251400H (D)	C/1/5/NONE	UNK/1 VCS	PTL
BT 379148	251550H (D)	C/1/5/NONE	UNK/1 VCS	PTL
QUANG NGAI				
BS 508884	250805H (D)	C/1/RECON/NONE	UNK/60 KIA	ARTY FM
BT 623007	250830H (D)	A/1/7/NONE	UNK/1VCC	DEF
BS 683979	250910H (D)	D/1/7/NONE	UNK/NONE	PTL
BS 487836	251043H (D)	C/1/RECON/NONE	UNK/NONE	ARTY FM
BS 522948	251200H (D)	I/3/7/NONE	UNK/2 VCS	PTL
BS 524935	251400H (D)	I/3/7/NONE	UNK/3 VCS	PTL
BS 592974	252050H (N)	C/1/7/NONE	UNK/UNK	AMB
QUANG NAM				
AT 947547	250115H (N)	D/1/9/NONE	UNK/UNK	PTL
BT 119628	250925H (D)	A/1/1/NONE	UNK/2 VCS	PTL
BT 151601	250945H (D)	A/1/1/NONE	UNK/UNK	PTL
BT 065624	251100H (D)	L/3/9/NONE	UNK/5 VCS	PTL
BT 125625	251245H (D)	A/1/1/NONE	UNK/17 VCS	PTL

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AT 996552	251310H (D)	H/2/9/NONE	UNK/UNK	PTL
BT 094658	251700H (D)	L/3/9/NONE	UNK/1 VCS	PTL
BT 104664	251715H (D)	L/3/9/NONE	UNK/1 VCS	PTL
BT 026578	251745H (D)	F/2/9/NONE	UNK/UNK	PTL

CONFIDENTIAL - STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF OPS

PART 1 - US FORCES

C. OBJECTIVES

PROVINCE	LOCATION	TYPE	NAME	INIT/TERM
C1	(AT 9751)	S&D	MACON	041500H/CONT
C2	(XD 9960)	S&D	HASTINGS	071600H/CONT

D. FORCES

UNIT	OBJ	INIT/TERM	INIT BY	AIRSPT	NGF
D1 9TH MAR	C1	251445H/251530H	US	NONE	NONE
D2 TF DELTA	C2	250318H/252000H	US	45 A-4 29 F-4 12 F-8	NONE

K. LOSSES/DAM

K1. ENEMY LOSSES

UNIT	SIZE/UNIT ID	KIA/VCC	WPNS	AMMO
D1	UNK/UNK	1/0	NONE	NONE
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ZEN/CG FIELD FORCE ONE NHA TRANG RVN
ZEN/CWOFIELD FORCE TWO BIEN HOA RVN
ZEN/CG ROK RV
DDXUV/CTG SEVEN SIX
ZEN/CG THIRD MARDIV
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D2 UNK/UNK 46/0 3 NONE

K3. FRIENDLY LOSSES

UNIT SIZE/UNIT ID/ KKIA/WIA/CPTRD/MIA WPNS AMMO

D1 UNK/UNK 0/1/0/0 NONE NONE

D2 UNK/UNK 17/1/0/0 NONE NONE

K5. TOTAL FRIENDLY INITIATED SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITHOUT CONTACT: 411

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ZEN/CG THIRD MARDIV
ZEN/CG FORTRPS FMFPAC
ZEN/CG FIRST MAW
ZEN/CG MARCORB CANLEJ
ZEN/COMCABSEAST
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ZEN/CG MARCORB CAMPEN
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ZEN/CG MARCORSUPCEN ALBANY
ZEN/CG NO CORSUPACTY PHILA
ZEN/FIRST MARBRIG
ZEN/TWENTY SIXTH MAR
ZEN/CG FOURTH MARDIV (CAMPEN)
ZEN/CG FIFTH MARDIV (CAMPEN)
ZEN/FIRST BN TWENTY SEVENTH MAR
ZEN/FIRST RADIO BN

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1. THIS SUMMARIZES EVENTS OF 24 JULY, UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED.

2. HIGHLIGHTS

A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) IN THE NORTHERNMOST AREA OF SOUTH VIETNAM, SEVEN MARINE INFANTRY BATTALIONS AND FIVE ARVN BATTAL-

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IONS CONTINUED OPERATION HASTINGS /LAM SON 289 ON 24 JULY WITH SEVERAL MARINE UNITS REPORTING SIGNIFICANT CONTACTS WITH NVA FORCES. AS OF 2400H ON THE 24TH ENEMY CASUALTIES IN THE USMC PORTION OF THE OPERATION WERE ESTIMATED TO BE 1302 KILLED (644 CONFIRMED KILLED, AND AN ADDITIONAL 658 PROBABLY KILLED), WHILE ELEVEN ENEMY SOLDIERS AND 158 WEAPONS HAVE BEEN CAPTURED. MEANWHILE, THE MS HAVE SUSTAINED 99 KIA AND 448 WIA.

AT 1240H, COMPANY I, 3D BN, 5TH MARINES RECEIVED ENEMY SMALL ARMS AND MORTAR FIRE FROM AN ESTIMATED 100 NVA, SEVEN MILES WEST OF CAM LO. COMPANY K, 3/5 MOVED TO THE AREA TO ASSIST AND AT 1730H BECAME ENGAGED WITH THE ENEMY UNIT. COMPANY M, 3/5, MEANWHILE WAS ENGAGED WITH AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF NVA IN THE VALLEY AREA ABOUT 1800 METERS TO THE SOUTHWEST.

BY 1900P THE ENEMY FIRE HAD BEEN NEUTRALIZED AND THE NVA UNIT BROKE CONTACT AND WITHDREW WITH UNKNOWN CASUALTIES. SIX MARINES WERE KILLED AND TWENTY ONE WOUNDED IN THE SIX HOUR ENGAGEMENT. THE SLF BATTALION AND ASSOCIATED ARG SHIPPING HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED BY CINCPAC

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TO CONTINUE SUPPORT OF OPERATION HASTINGS UNTIL 30 JULY, AND DELAY RECONSTITUTION OF THE SLF ACCORDINGLY. (SEE MY REPORT OF 24 JULY).

LATER, AT 1930H, THE 2D BN 4TH MARINES CP, ALONG WITH COMPANIES A, E AND H, LOCATED ABOUT SEVEN MILES NORTHWEST OF CAM LO, RECEIVED AN ESTIMATED FIFTY ROUNDS OF 60 MM AND 81MM MORTAR FIRE; KILLING ONE MARINE AND WOUNDING SIXTY. THE BATTALION RETURNED SMALL ARMS, 60MM AND 80MM MORTAR FIRE, AND CALLED IN ARTILLERY FIRE ON THE SUSPECTED ENEMY POSITIONS WITH UNCONFIRMED RESULTS.

MEANWHILE, MARINE PATROLS SWEEPING THE AREA THROUGHOUT THE P I O D DISCOVERED AN ADDITIONAL 33 NVA KIA'S, NONE OF WHOM WERE BURIED, GIVING FURTHER EVIDENCE OF THE FIERCE AND RAPID-PACE FIGHTING TAKING PLACE IN THIS AREA JUST SOUTH OF THE DMZ. ONE NVA BODY, DISCOVERED JUST AFTER MIDNIGHT ON THE 24TH, WAS DRESSED IN CAMOUFLAGED FATIGUES AND A US HELMET. SOME NVA PERSONNEL IN THE AREA ARE REPORTEDLY USING THIS DECEPTIVE TACTIC TO GAIN FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT.

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 EARLIER ON THE 24TH A MARINE COMPANY WAS APPROACHED BY AN NVA SOLDIER DRESSED IN THE SAME MANNER WHO WAS ABLE TO APPROACH CLOSE TO THE UNIT UNRECOGNIZED BEFORE HE OPENED FIRE AND FLED.

THE FIVE ARVN BATTALIONS OPERATING TO THE EAST AND SOUTH OF THE HASTINGS AREA REPORTED LIGHT AND SPORADIC CONTACT DURING THE PERIOD. JUST BEFORE NOON, THE 6TH AIRBORNE BN MADE CONTACT WITH AN ESTIMATED 50 ENEMY TROOPS IN TRENCHES ALONG ROUTE NINE, SEVEN MILES SOUTHWEST OF CAM LO. IN THE ENSUING ACTION, FOUR ARVN WERE KIA AND THREE WIA, WHILE ONE NVA WAS CONFIRMED KIA. ARVN PATROLS ALSO DISCOVERED 30 ENEMY DEAD IN SHALLOW GRAVES, RAISING TO 54 THE NUMBER OF ENEMY PERSONNEL KILLED DURING THE OPERATION. ARVN CASUALTIES ARE 19 KIA AND 27 WIA.

(2) IN THE OPERATION MACON AREA SEVENTEEN MILES SOUTHWEST OF DANANG, THE NINTH MARINES CONTINUED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS WITH LIGHT CONTACT. MARINES HAVE KILLED 188 VIET CONG SINCE THE OPERATION COMMENCED ON 4 JULY. DETAILS OF THESE OPERATIONS

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 MAY BE FOUND IN PARA 3.A.

B. CIVIC ACTION/PACIFICATION

THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SCHOOLS IN I CORPS, ONE OF THE SIX SIGNIFICANT INDICIA SELECTED BY III MAF TO JUDGE THE EFFICIENCY AND PROGRESS OF THE CIVIC ACTION AND PACIFICATION PROGRAM, IS PROGRESSING SATISFACTORILY. THE GVN SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS FOR 1965 AND 1966 HAVE PRODUCED 150 NEWLY COMPLETED CLASSROOMS IN I CORPS. AN ADDITIONAL 300 CLASSROOMS ARE UNDER CONSTRUCTION AND ARE SCHEDULED FOR COMPLETION BY SEPTEMBER OF THIS YEAR. THE TOTAL NEW CLASSROOM CONSTRUCTION WILL PROVIDE FACILITIES FOR APPROXIMATELY 20,000 ADDITIONAL STUDENTS, AND COUPLED WITH III MAF EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS, WILL SIGNIFICANTLY IMPROVE THE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES IN I CTZ.

C. COUNTER GUERRILLA OPERATIONS

MARINE SMALL UNIT PATROL AND AMBUSH ACTIVITY THROUGHOUT THE THREE TACTICAL AREAS ON 24 JULY WERE CHARACTERIZED BY MINOR, ISOLATED CONTACTS WITH THE VC GUERRILLA ELEMENT. A TOTAL OF 39 CONTACTS

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

(1) OPERATION HASTINGS

(A) TASK FORCE DELTA CONTINUES SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE WITH SEVEN MARINE INFANTRY BATTALIONS, THIRD BN, TWELFTH MARINES, TWO BATTERIES OF FOURTH BN, TWELFTH MARINES, AND ONE 4.2 BATTERY OF FIRST BN, ELEVENTH MARINES COMMITTED TO THE ACTION.

1. SECOND BN, FIRST MARINES. AT 232345H, CO H (XD 995589), EIGHT MILES WEST-NORTHWEST OF CAM LO, RECEIVED MORTAR AND SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM ONE NVA PLATOON. MARINES RETURNED SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE WITHOUT ACHIEVING CONFIRMED RESULTS. FROM 232300H TO 240115H, AN LP FROM CO H (XD 998593) WAS IN CONTACT WITH THIRTY NVA, AND ESTIMATED FOUR NVA KIA. AT 240545H, CO H AGAIN RECEIVED SMALL ARMS AND MORTAR FIRE FROM (XD 997596). RETURN FIRE BY MARINES ACCOUNTED FOR THREE NVA KIA AND FOUR RIFLES, SIX GRENADES, AND SIX LOADED MAGAZINES CAPTURED. AT 241015H AN AMBUSH FROM CO E (XD 989697) ACCOUNTED FOR

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ONE NVA KIA AND ONE RIFLE CAPTURED. AT 241300H, CO E ENGAGED THREE NVA (XD 989605), KILLING TWO AND CAPTURING TWO WEAPONS AND PERSONAL EQUIPMENT.

2. SECOND BN, FOURTH MARINES. AT 240600H, AN ELEMENT OF THE BATTALION CAPTURED ONE NVA WITH ONE AK-47, FIVE MAGAZINES, SIX GRENADES AND PERSONAL EQUIPMENT (YD 050651), SEVEN MILES NORTHWEST OF CAM LO. AT 241030H CO H FOUND SEVEN NVA KIA, AND RECOVERED ONE AK-47 (YD 039651), EIGHT MILES WEST OF CAM LO. AT 241930H, THE BATTALION CP AND COS E AND H, (YD 039655) RECEIVED TWENTY-FIVE ROUNDS OF 81MM MORTAR FIRE. SIMULTANEOUSLY, CO A RECEIVED TWENTY-FIVE ROUNDS OF 60MM MORTAR FIRE. MARINES RETURNED MORTAR AND ARTILLERY FIRE WHICH SILENCED THE ENEMY FIRE, BUT RESULTS WERE UNCONFIRMED. MARINES SUSTAINED ONE KIA AND SIXTY WIA DURING THE INCIDENT.

3. THIRD BN, FIFTH MARINES. AT 240900H, CO I FOUND FIFTEEN NVA KIA (YD 016615) AND SIX OTHER NVA KIA (YD 015617), EIGHT MILES WEST NORTHWEST OF CAM LO. AT 241055H, CO K (YD 045619) FOUND ONE NVA KIA. LATER, AT 241216H, CO I (YD 011616) ENGAGED THREE NVA, KILLING ONE

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ZEN/CG FORTRPS FMFPAC
ZEN/CG FIRST MAW
ZEN/CG MARCORB CAMLEJ
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B. AIR SUPPORT. MARINE FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FLEW SEVENTY-NINE
COMBAT SORTIES. HELICOPTERS FLEW FIFTY-FIVE ARMED HELO, FOUR
HUNDRED THIRTY-SIX TRANSPORT AND SIXTY-FOUR OTHER SORTIES,
CARRYING SIX HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE PASSENGERS AND FORTY-EIGHT
TONS OF CARGO.

C. CUMULATIVE RESULTS
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AND CAPTURING TW(O) WIA). AT 241240H, CO I ENGAGED AN NVA FORCE OF ABOUT ONE HUNDRED (YD 011616), WHICH DELIVERED MORTAR AND SMALL ARMS FIRE AT MARINES. LATER, AT 241730H, CO K WAS ENGAGED AT (YD 016616) AND CO M AT (YD 004607). ALL ENEMY FIRE WAS NEUTRALIZED BY 241900H, WHEN THE NVA BROKE CONTACT. MARINES SUSTAINED SIX KIA AND TWENTY-ONE WIA. NVA LOSSES ARE UNCONFIRMED AT THIS TIME. REFER TO PARAGRAPH 2, HIGHLIGHTS FOR DETAILS. AT 241848H, THE BATTALION REPORTED ONE UH-3A DOWN NORTHWEST OF CAM LO. THE AIRCRAFT SUSTAINED DAMAGE TO THE TRANSMISSION OIL PAN AS A RESULT OF GROUND FIRE.

4. FIRST BN, FIRST MARINES. AT 241254H, A PATROL FROM CO D FOUND ONE NVA KIA, AND CAPTURED ONE RIFLE, ONE HUNDRED ROUNDS OF 7.62 AMMUNITION AND FOUR CHICOM GRENADES (YD 027631), SEVEN MILES NORTHWEST OF CAM LO. AT 241750H, CO C FOUND TWO NVA KIA. AT 241800H, CO B FOUND ONE ADDITIONAL NVA KIA (YD 060633).

5. FIRST BN, THIRD MARINES. AT 241630H, CO B CAPTURED ONE NVA (YD 058656), SIX AND ONE HALF MILES NORTHWEST OF CAM LO.

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448 WIA644 KIA (658 PROB)
11 VC CAPTURED
138 RIFLES
20 AUTOMATIC WEAPONS

(2) OPERATION MACON

(A) NINTH MARINES ARE CONTINUING SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN QUANG NAM PROVINCE, REPORTING ONLY LIGHT CONTACT. AT 240650H, A PLATOON PATROL FROM CO I, THIRD BN, NINTH MARINES FOUND ONE VC KIA, AND CAPTURED ONE .50 CAL MG, ONE RIFLE, ONE CHICOM GRENADE AND ASSORTED DOCUMENTS. LATER, AT 270700H, THE PATROL TOOK FOUR VC UNDER FIRE (AT 906524), SEVENTEEN MILES SOUTHWEST OF DANANG BUT WERE UNABLE TO CONFIRM RESULTS.

(B) CUMULATIVE RESULTS

USMC
8 KIA
48 WIAVC
138 KIA
11 VC CAPTURED
20 VC SUSPECTS
4 WEAPONS CAPTURED

D. SMALL UNIT OPERATIONS

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(1) HUE PHU BAI.

(A) THERE WERE NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACTS REPORTED IN THE TACTICAL AREA.

(2) DANANG

(A) FIRST MARINES

1. FIRST BN. AT 242700H A SQUAD FROM CO I, THIRD BN, FIRST MAR DETONATED A BOOBY-TRAPPED 60MM MORTAR ROUND ELEVEN MILES SOUTHEAST OF DANANG, (BT 080509) AND SUSTAINED ONE MARINE WOUNDED (MED EVAC). AT 240820H A SQUAD PATROL FROM CO A, ELEVEN MILES SOUTH OF DANANG (BT 118617), RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM A VILLAGE (BT 128610). THE SQUAD RETURNED SMALL ARMS FIRE AND ASSULTED, DESTROYING A BOOBY TRAPPED GATE AND APPREHENDING ONE VCS. AT 241000H A SQUAD PATROL FROM CO I, THIRD BN, FIRST MARINES DESTROYED ONE M-72 ROUND, BOOBY TRAPPED WITH AN M-26 GRENADE, TEN MILES SOUTH EAST OF DANANG (BT 072606). AT 241715H A PLATOON CP OF CO A, ELEVEN MILES SOUTHEAST OF DANANG, (BT 11

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RECEIVED 60MM MORTAR FIRE FROM (BT 113606) WITH ROUNDS LANDING 50 METERS SHORT OF CP LINES. AN ARTILLERY MISSION WAS CALLED IN W

H UNKNOWN RESULTS. AT 241725 A TRUCK

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III MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY NR. 206 FOR PD 250001-252400H JUL66
1. OPERATIONS.

A. MACON. 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NAM PROV WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 251445H MARINE FROM CO B/3/9 STEPPED ON EXPLOSIVE DEVICE VIC (AT 930114), 1 USMC WIA (MED EVAC). AT 251500H CO B/3/9 PLAT VIC (AT 930529) OBS 4 VC VIC (AT 930529)

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FIRED SA, 1 VC KIA (CONF).
US LOSSES: 8 KIA, 49 WIA
ENEMY LOSSES: 189 KIA (CONF) 132 GND, 57 KBA
406 KIA (PROB) (281 GND, 125 KBA)
5 WPNS, 26 VCS

B. HASTINGS. TASK FORCE DELTA CONT OPS IN QUANG TRI PROV WITH 7 INF BNS (2/4, 3/4, 2/1, 1/3, 3/4, 1/1, AND 2/9) AND 3/12 MAR, 2 BTRYS OF 4/12, AND ONE 4.2 BTRY OF 1/11 AS ARTY SPT; WITH 1ST MAR CMD GRP AND 1 BN ON CALL. AT 250318H ARTY MSN IN SPT OF 1/1 MAR VIC (YD 056664) CAUSED LARGE FIRE AND LARGE SECONDARY EXPLOS, FOLLOWED BY 4 SEPARATE AND SMALLER EXPLOS. AT 250645H CO B/3/1 MAR FOUND 2 NVA KIA VIC (YD 056661); 2 DISPATCH CASES, AND FOCUS VIC (YD 052661). AT 250950H 1 CH-54 LANDING IN LZ VIC (YD 0468) HIT TREE WITH ROTOR, FLIPPED OVER AND CRASHED, 1 USMC KIA, 1 USMC WIA (MED EVAC). AT 251000H CO L/3/4 ENGAGED 1 NVA VIC (YD 056671), 1 NVA KIA (CONF), 1 CHICOM 7.62 RIFLE. AT 251030H AIR STRIKE VIC (YD 050625), UNCOVERED NUMEROUS RUNWAYS AND TRENCHES, 2 NVA (CONF). AT 251420H CO B/1/1 RECD 61MM MORT RDS FROM VIC (YD 046474), CALLED IN 81MM MORT AND ARTY

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MSN WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 251500H CO L/3/5 MAR OBS 7 NVA, FIRED SA, 1 NVA KIA (CONF). AT 251512H CO G/2/4 MAR RECD 22 RDS 81MM MORT FROM VIC (YD 053647), CALLED IN 81MM AND ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 251630H CO L/3/5 ENGAGED 20 NVA VIC (YD 011616), FIRED SA, 4 NVA KIA (CONF), 10 NVA KIA (PROB). AT 251955H CO H/2/4 OBS 2 NVA VIC (YD 052654), FIRED SA, 2 NVA KIA (CONF), 2 CHICOM AR'S. AT 252237H CO K/3/5 MAR SEARCHED AREA VIC (YD 018617) AND CO L/3/5 MAR SEARCHED AREA VIC (YD 011617), BOTH AREAS OF CONTACT ON 24 JULY, FOUND 17 NVA KIA (CONF), 66 KIA (PROB), ONE .30 CAL MG, ONE 12.7 MG, 9 SEMI-AUTO CHICOM RIFLES, 2 SMG, ONE .30 CAL AUTO RIFLE, 1 M-14 RIFLE, 5 M-72'S, 80 FRAG GREN, 1000 BLASTING CAPS, 25 LBS DEMOLITIONS, 2 MINES, ONE 82MM RD, 4000 RDS .30 CAL LINKED, 1 BASE PLATE AND 81 MM TUBE (DEST), ONE 57MM RR, 60 PACKS, 20 PONCHOS, 25 MOSQUITO NETS, 8 REELS COMM WIRE, 9 ENTRENCHING TOOLS, 7 HAMMOCKS, 3 BLANKETS, 10 UNIFORMS, 11 GREN POUCHES, NUMEROUS MED SUPPLIES AND DOCUS. US LOSSES: 116 KIA, 448 WIA (AS OF 242400H) ENEMY LOSSES: 690 KIA (CONF) (654 GND, 36 KBA) 600 KIA (PROB) (574 GND, 26 KBA) 161 WPNS (141 IND, 20 AW)

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C. SIGNIFICANT CONTACT. AT 250850H, 3D PLAT CO C, 1ST RECON BN AT AN HOA OUTPOST VIC (BS 475864) OBS 80 VC GATHERING IN VIL VIC (BS 508884), FIRED 8 ARTY MSNS (107 RDS 155MM AND 14 RDS 8), 2 SECONDARY EXPLOS. AT 251330H LOCAL RF AGENT REPORTED 60 VC KIA (CONF) VIC (BS 508884).

D. 1ST MARINE DIVISION

(1) CHU LAI TAOR

(A) 5TH MARINES

(1) 1/5TH MAR: AT 251100H CO C SQD CBT PTL VIC (BT 364147) RECD 30 RDS SA AND 1 RIFLE GREN FROM UNK NR VC VIC (BT 361148), RTND 50 RDS SA, VC BROKE CONTACT, 1 USMC WIA (MED EVAC). AT 251400H CO C SQD CBT PTL VIC (BT 372154) APPREHENDED 1 VCS. AT 251115H CO C SQD CBT PTL VIC (BT 394-178) FOUND DOCUS, INCLUDING RICE RECEIPTS, 19 RDS .45 CAL, 8 RDS .30 CAL CARB, AND PACKAGE OF LEAD FRAG. AT 251550H CO C SQD CBT PTL VIC (BT 379148) APPREHENDED 1 VCS. AT 251615H RESUPL HEL FOR CO C SQD CBT PTL VIC (BT 373150) RECD 2 RDS SA FROM VIC (BT 370147), RETD 20 RDS AW WITH NEG RESULTS.

(2) 2/5TH MAR: AT 251100H CO H SQD SCTY PTL

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VIC (BT 373150) DEST 2 UNK TYPE MINES. AT 251345H CO G SQD OP ON HILL 270 VIC (BT 421047) OBS 6 VC WITH WPNS VIC (BT 428038), FIRED 8 RDS SA, CALLED ARTY MSN, WITH UNK RESULTS (B) 7TH MARINES

(1) 1/7TH MAR: AT 250830H CO A SQD SCTY PTL VIC (BT 623007) APPREHENDED 1 VCC. AT 250900H 1ST ENGR ELEM VIC (BS 652987), IN SPT OF 1/7 RIDING IN M-37 PC DET 90MM RD RIGGED AS MINE, 3 USMC WIA (MED EVAC) 1 M-37 DEMOLISHED. AT 250910H CO D SQD PTL VIC (BS 683979) OBS 2 VC WHO FAILED TO HEED CHALLENGE, PTL FIRED 20 RDS SA WITH NEG RESULTS. AT 251500H BN S-2 IN VEH VIC (BS 566992) RECD 50 RDS SA FROM UNK NR VC VIC (BS 568993), INCREASED SPEED AND DEPARTED AREA. AT 252050H CO C FTM AMB VIC (BS 593974) RECD 25 RDS SA FROM 5 VC, RETD 125RDS SA AND 3 GREN, 1 VC KIA (PROB).

(2) 2/7TH MAR: AT 241435H CO G AND H CHOP FROM CHU LAI DEF CMD TO 2/7. AT 251200H CO F FTM SCTY PTL VIC (BT 488039) APPREHENDED 1 VCS.

(3) 3/7TH MAR: AT 241900H CO L SQD CBT PTL VIC (BS 559945) FOUND TWO 60MM MORT POS, REGISTERED ARTY MSN. AT 251400H CO I PLAT CBT PTL VIC (BS 524935) APPREHENDED 5 VCS.

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AT 252120H CO M SQD AMB VIC (BS 570921) OBS 2 VC ENTER AMB, FIRED 20 RDS SA, 2 M-79 RDS WITH NEG RESULTS.

(C) FIRST RECON BN: CO A: 1ST PLAT CONT TO MAN OP VIC (BS 247063). CO B: 1ST PLAT INSERTED VIC (BS 475864). CO C: SEE PARAGRAPH 1. (C), SIGNIFICANT CONTACTS: 1ST PLAT RECD SA WHILE EXTRACTING FROM VIC (BT 379041) AT 251800H. AT 251043H 3D PLAT RECD LOCAL AGENT REPT OF 125 VC WITH WPNS VIC (BS 487836, 486847, AND 493855), CALLED ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 251700H 3D PLAT EXTRACTED AFTER 225 HRS ON OP, DURING WHICH 47 ARTY MSNS AND 2 AIRSTRIKES WERE CALLED FOR TOTAL OF 5 VC KIA (CONF), 10 VC KIA (PROB), AND AGENTS REPORTS OF 137 VC KIA (CONF) AND 10 VC WIA. M&S CO: TWO MAN RADIO RELAY TM WITH REINF SQD FROM CO F/2/5 CONT TO MAN OP ON HIL 707 VIC (BS 418998).

(D) CHU LAI DEF CMD: NEG CONTACT

(E) ELEVENTH MAR: AT 251230H BTRY X/A/11 DISPL FROM VIC (BS 444088) FO VIC (BT 567019), AT 251305H 2/11 MORT BTRY PLAT DISPL FROM VIC (BT 439084) TO VIC (BS 665985).

MISSIONS FIRED: 117
OBSERVED: 26
UNOBSERVED: 91
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H&I: 68
AMMO EXPENDED:
105MM: 425 HE, 6 ILLUM,
107MM: 96 HE,
155MM: 470 HE, 4 ILWIM, 54 WP
155GN: 8 HE,

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8 INCH: 54 HE
TOTAL ROUNDS FIRED: 1117
E. 3D MARINE DIVISION

(1) DANANG TAOR
(A) 1ST MARINES
(1) 1/1ST MARKREAR: AT 250925H CO A/1/1
SQD PTL VIC (BT 119628) APPREHENDED 2 VCS. AT 250935H CO L/3/9
SQD PTL VIC (BT 070623, 065624, 063626) RECD SA FIRE FROM 9
VC WORKING IN 3 MAN TEAMS VIC (BT 070625, 067624, 061623), SQD
RETD SA AND M-79 RDS, PLAT SWEPT AREA, 2 VC WIA (PROB). AT
250945H CO A/1/1 SQD PTL VIC (BT 151601) OBS 3 VC ON ISLAND VIC
(BT 153598), FIRED SA, 1 VC WIA (PROB). AT 251100H CO L/3/9
SQD PTL VIC (BT 065624) APPREHENDED 5 VCS.
AT 251110H CO L/3/9 SQD PTL VIC (BT 064627) DEST BOX MINE OF
HOME MADE TYPE. AT 251150H CO L/3/9 SQD PTL RECD SA FIRE FROM
3 VC, SQD RETD SA, M-79 RDS, 60MM, AND 3.5 HE WITH NEG RESULTS.
AT 251215H CO L/3/9 PLAT PTL VIC (BT 062628) DEST 1 M-16 AP
MINE. AT 251245H CO A/1/1 SQD PTL VIC (BT 125628) DEST 2 WARN-
ING DEVICES AND 2 GATES THAT WERE WIRED SHUT, ALSO LOCATED WERE
NUMEROUS LIGHTERS WITH ORGANIZATIONAL NUMBERS 403 AND 504, NUM-

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EROUS TEMPORARY AND EXPIRED I.D. CARDS AND 65 DOLLARS IN PIASTERS;
17 VCS WERE APPREHENDED. AT 251700H CO L/3/9 SQD PTL VIC (BT
094658) APPREHENDED 1 VCS. AT 251715H CO L/3/9 PLAT PTL VIC
(BT 104664) APPREHENDED 1 VCS. AT 251810H CO L/3/9 PLAT VIC
(BT 093653) RECD SA FROM UNK NR VC, 1 USMC WIA (MED EVAC).
AT 251835H CO L/3/9 PLAT VIC (BT 068637) RECD SA FIRE FROM UNK
NR VC, RTND SA AND M-79 RDS WITH NEG RESULTS.

(2) 3/1ST MAR: AT 250830H CO K/3/1 SQD
PTL DET GREN BOOBY TRAP VIC (BT 077705), 3 USMC WIA (MED EVAC).
AT 250940H CO K/3/1 AND REACTION SQD, UTILIZING HELS OPERATING
FROM LZ AT 3/1 CP WERE LIFTED INTL LZ VIC (BT 080658), ENROUTE,
HELs RECD SA FIRE FROM VIC (BT 088678), 1 USMC WIA (MED EVAC).
AT 251250H CO M/3/1 SQD PTL APPREHENDED 2 VCS. AT 251410H CO
L/3/1 COMBINED USMC/RF SEARCH AND CLEAR OP IN HAMLETS OF CAM
NE (3) AND LA BONG (3) TERMINATED, 8 VCS AND 1 VCC WERE APPRE-
HENDED, 2 PUNJI TRAPS AND 1 VC UNIFORM WERE DEST.

(B) 3D MARINES

(1) SCOUT / SNIPER TEAMS

NO OF TEAMS NO EMPLOYED

CMD GRU "A" 1/3 3 3

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2/3	4	4
3/3	3	3

NO CONTACT.

(2) 1/3D MAR: AT 250845H CO E/2/3 SQD PTL
DEST BOOBY TRAPPED 105MM RD VIC (AT 973788).

(3) 2/3RD MAR(-): NO CONTACT

(4) 3/3RD MAR(-): AT 250745H CO K/3/3 SQD

PTL DEST GREN (M-26) VIC (AT 903709), IN C-RATION CAN WITH
TRIP WIRE ATTACHED. AT 251445H CO I/3/3 SQD PTL DET EXPLOS
DEVICE, TYPE UNK VIC (AT 903708), 2 USMC WIA (MED EVAC). AT
251710H CAC 32 SQD PTL DISARMED CHICOM GREN RIGGED WITH TRIP
WIRE VIC (AT 923715)

(C) 9TH MARINES

(1) SCOUT/SNIPER TEAMS

NO OF TEAMS NO EMPLOYED

1/9	1	1
2/9	0	0
3/9	1	1

NO CONTACT.

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(2) 1/9TH MAR(-): AT 250115H CO D/1/9 SQD PTL VIC (AT 947547) OBS 2 BOATS WITH 20 PERS VIC (AT 947545) FIRED SA AND M-79 RDS, 10 VC KIA (PROB). AT 251100H H&S/1/9 SQD PTL VIC (BT 975648) RECD SA FIRE FROM VC VIC (AT 975650), RTND SA AND CALLED IN 105MM, 1 USMC KIA, 3 VC KIA (PROB), 1 VC WIA (PROB). AT 251730H TK WITH CO C/1/9 VIC (AT 973590) RECD SA AND 2 RIFLE GREN, TK DID NOT RTN FIRE, MARINES CALLED IN 81MM AND 60MM WITH NEG RESULTS.

(3) 2/9TH MAR(REAR): AT 242310H CO A/1/9 SQD AMB VIC (BT 017623) RECD SA FIRE FROM VIC (BT 015622) AND VIC (BT 020125), MARINES RTND SA, M-79 AND 81MM WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 251000H 2/9 CP VIC (BT 014626) RECD SA VIC (BT 006-622), CALLED IN 81MM MORT WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 251310H CO H/2/9 PLAT PTL VIC (AT 996552) OBS 2 VC PDC (AT 996553), FIRED SA, 1 VC WIA (PROB). AT 251500H MARINE FROM CO F/2/9 DET AN EXPLO DEVICE VIC (BT 019569), 1 USMC KIA. AT 251745H CO F/2/9 PLAT PTL VIC (BT 019569), 1 USMC KIA. AT 251745H CO F/2/9 PLAT PTL VIC (BT 026578) OBS 2 VC VIC (BT 026579), FIRED SA, 2 VC KIA (CONF), PTL THEN OBS ANOTHER VC, FIRED SA, 1 VC KIA (CONF). AT 251830H CO F/2/9 PLAT PTL VIC (BT 029953) DET UNK EXPLO DEVICE, 1 USMC WIA (MED EVAC). MED EVAC HEL RECD

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SA FROM 2 VC VIC (BT 028599) PTL CALLED IN 105MM WITH UNK RESULTS.

(4) 3D BN, 9TH MAR: OPERATION MACON

(D) 3D ENGR BN: 76 CBT ENGRS, UTILIZING 312 MAN HRS CONDUCTED 7 VISUAL AND 14 DELIBERATE MINE SWEEPS OVER 48,550M OF TACTICAL ROADS. AN ADDITIONAL 173 ENGRS PROVIDED CLOSE CBT SPT TO 9 INF BNS IN PHU BAI AND DANANG TAOR'S.

(E) 1ST AMTRAC BN(REIN): 43 LVTS ARE BEING UTILIZED IN DIRCT SPT OF 1ST, 3RD, AND 9TH MAR REGTS.

(F) 3D TANK BN: FOURTY EIGHT M-48A3, 90MM GUN TANKS AND 4 FLAME TANKS PARTICIPATED IN 7 CBT SPT MSNS WITH 3D MARDIV. AT 251110H CO B TK IN SPT OF ELEM OF 1/9 VIC (AT 906551) RECD AW FIRE VIC (AT 901550), 2 CO B TKS RTND 90MM WP AND 30 CAL FIRE WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 251100H 2 CO B TKS VIC (AT 975648) WERE IN SPT OF ELEM CO B/1/9 WHO WERE ENGAGED BY AW AND SA FIRE FROM VIC (AT 973652), TKS EXPENDED 90MM HE, 90MM CANNISTER, 90MM HEAT AND .30 CAL WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 251510H CO B TK VIC (AT 996567) STRUCK MINE, NO INJ, TK RECD LIGHT DAM TO TRACK. AT 251600H 2 CO B TKS IN SPT OF 2/9 VIC (AT 996567) RECD SA FIRE FROM VIC (AT 994565), TKS RTND .30 CAL AND .50 CAL FIRE WITH UNK BT

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(CG) 12TH MARINES (-)
MISSIONS FIRED: 192
OBSERVED: 16
UNOBSERVED: 176
H&I: 175

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AMMO EXPENDED

105MM: 709 HE, 3 WP
107MM: 17 HE,
155HW: 66HE, 4 WP
155GN: 31 HE, 6 WP
8 INCH: 4 HE

TOTAL ROUNDS FIRED: 839

- (2) PHU BAI TADR
- (A) 4TH MARINES (REAR)
- (1) SCOUT SNIPER TEAMS

	NO OF TEAM	NO EMPLOYED
H&CO	12	0
1/4	2	2

NO CONTACT.

- (2) 1/4TH MAR: NO CONTACT
- (3) 2/4TH MAR (REAR): NO CONTACT
- (4) 3/4TH MAR (REAR): NO CONTACT
- (5) 2/1ST MAR (REAR): NO CONTACT
- (6) 3/12TH MAR (-) (PHIN)

MISSIONS FIRED: 341

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OBSERVED: 75
 UNOBSERVED: 266
 H&I: 145
 AMMO EXPENDED
 105MM: 1285 HE, 3 ILLUM, 355 WP
 107MM: 506 HE, 25 ILLUM
 155BN: 10 HE
 155HW: 826 HE, 58 WP
 8 INCH: 9 HE
 TOTAL ROUNDS FIRED: 3078
 F. GENERAL

- (1) DANANG AIR BASE DEF: 1ST MP BN. REPORTS NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACTS DURING PD.
- (2) NO INSTANCES WERE REPORTED OF VIETNAMESE NATIONALS REPORTING INFORMATION ABOUT VC DIRECTLY TO THE MARINES.
- (3) WEATHER HAD NO ADVERSE EFFECT UPON AIR OR GND OPS.
- (4) THE POLITICAL SITUATION IN DANANG, QUANG TRI, AND HUE REMAINS QUIET.
- (5) RECAP OF SMALL UNIT OPERATIONS.

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UNIT	PATROLS			AMBUSHES			LIST POST	SCOUT/ SNIPER	S&D OPS	
	FT	SQD	PLAT	FT	SQD	PLAT			SQD	PLAT
1/1 REAR		8			4		2			
3/1		16		4	5		8			
1/3 REAR		7	2		15	1	12	1		
2/3		2			7		14	4		
3/3	5				15		11	3		
1/9		9	3		7		4	1		
2/9 REAR	2	3	3		10		8			4
RECON		8	2		4	1				
DANANG TOTAL	7	53	10	4	67	2	59	9		4
1/4	17	24		5	14		23			
2/4 REAR	3	2		3			18			
RECON GRU "B"			4							
PHU BAI TOTAL	20	26	4	8	14		41			
3D DIV TOTAL	27	79	14	12	81	2	100	9		4
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1ST RECON BN		2	7					9		
1ST DIV TOTAL	30	35	8	16	28	2	72	9	13	5
1ST MP BN	7	6			1				44	
III MAF TOTAL	64	120	22	28	110	4	172	18	57	5

TOTAL CONTACTS: 46, 41 DAY, 5 NIGHT, 26 VC INITIATED
TOTAL CASUALTIES: USMC: 2 KIA, 9 WIA
VC: 63 KIA, 14 KIA (PROB), 1 VCC, 32 VCS

WPNS CPTRD: 0

1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING OPS

A. HIGHLIGHTS

- (1) CONTINUING HEL. SPT FOR OP HASTINGS TOTALED 1275 SORTIES FOR 494 HRS CARRYING 1573 PAX AND 283 MED EVACS.
- (2) FIXED WING EFFORT IN SPT OF OP HASTINGS TOTALED 85 SORTIES FOR 121 HRS EXPENDING 91.0 TONS OF BOMBS AND 7 TONS OF NAPALM, DAM EST WAS 13 STRUC, 16 GUN POS, 4 AW, 3 AA POS, 15 FOXHOLES, AND 13 BUNKERS DEST; 1 SECONDARY EXPLO.
- (3) FIXED WING ACFT FLEW 35 TALLY NO SORTIES, DAM EST WAS 29 SECONDARY EXPLOS, SEVERAL SECONDARY FIRES STARTED, 1 TRK DEST, 1 TRK AND 4 BRGS DAM, 2 APPROACHES TO BRG CRATERED.

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(D) AT ABOUT 251410H, C-117D CRASHED SHORTLY AFTER TAKE-OFF FROM DANANG, 7 KILLED, 23 INJURED

B. OPERATIONS

- (1) MAG-11 ACFT FLEW 94 SORTIES FOR 123 HRS, EXPENDING 124 TONS ORD, DAM EST WAS 19 STRUC, 12 GUN POS, 1 TRK, 1 BUNKER DEST; 23 STRUC, 1 TRK, 3 BRG DAM; 1 ROAD CUT, 11 SECONDARY EXPLOS AND 2 KBA (CONF). AT 251735H, 2 VMFA-115 A-4 ACFT ON TALLY HQ MSN ATKD AMMO STORAGE AREA, 6 LARGE SECONDARY EXPLO.
- (2) MAG-12 FLEW 95 SORTIES FOR 134 HRS, EXPENDING 64 TONS OF BOMBS AND 6 TONS OF NAPALM, DAM EST WAS 28 STRUC, 4 AW, 5 GUN POS, 3 AA POS, 12 BUNKERS, 15 FOXHOLES DEST; 19 STRUC DAM, 1 BRG APPROACH CRATERED AND 5 KBA (PROB). FROM 251000H TO 251030H, 2 A-4 ACFT ATKD VC POS VIC (AT 896300), DAM EST WAS 5 KBA (PROB), 8 STRUC DEST AND 8 STRUC DAM.
- (3) MAG-16 ACFT FLEW 1399 SORTIES FOR 484 HRS CARRYING 1540 PAX, 283 MED EVACS AND 153 TONS OF CARGO.
- (4) MAG-36 ACFT FLEW 590 SORTIES FOR 182 HRS CARRYING 451 PAX, 27 MED EVACS AND 8 TONS OF CARGO. AT 251630H, 4 HMM-364 UH-34 ACFT ESCORTED BY UMC-6 ACFT AND MAG-12 ACFT COMMENCED INSERTION

OF 11 RECON TROOPS AT AN HOA OUTPOST VIC (BS 474864), RECD FIRE
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ABR00CHENG, LZ, FIRE RTND BY UH-34 ACFT AN
NO HITS TAKEN, THEN 20 MAN TEAM WAS RETRACTED VIC (BT 372024),
FIRE RECD AS ACFT DEPARTED, NO HITS TAKEN.
(5) DAILY SORTIE RECAP

FLOWN FOR	A-4	F-4	F-8	EF-10	UH-34	UH-1E	CH-57	CH-46
III MAF	75	48	17	1	1303	273	106	94

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TOTAL	95	65	20	1	216	273	106	94

(6) MWHG-1

LAMM BNS	AIR DEF PRAC RAID	SUCCESSFUL ENGAGEMENT	ACFT DESG PRAC TGTS	SUCCESSFUL ENGAGEMENT
1ST BN	3	3	10	8
2ND BN	0	0	7	5
TOTAL	3	3	17	13

- MY NEXT SUMMARY DUE 262400H JULY 1966.
- DO NOT SERVICE THIS MSG; FOLLOW UP AIR MAIL DELIVERY TO ALL ADDEES.

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1. (C) I CTZ

A. OPN HASTINGS/LAM SON 289A CONT WITH LIGHT CONTACT.
 AT 251100N, 1/3 (USMC) DISP CP TO (YD067670). 1/1 (USMC) TO
 MOVE TO LZ CROW VIC (YD0562).

B. OPN MACON CONT WITHOUT SIGNIFICANT CONTACT.

C. OPN FRANKLIN/LIEN KET 50 COMMENCED 260700H IN AN
 AREA BOUNDED ON THE NORTH BY THE 1ST MAR DIV TAOR; ON THE WEST
 BY NATIONAL HWY NBR 1; ON THE EAST BY THE COAST, AND ON THE SOUTH

PAGE 2 RUNSMA 530 C O N F I D E N T I A L
 BY COORD BS6287 TO BS6479. TWO USMC BNS, 2/5 (ARVN), 2/4 (ARVN)
 AND 37TH RNGRS ARE COMMITTED. CONCEPT: AT D-3 INSERT PLAT
 RECON TEAM VIC (BS553882). AT H-3 ON D-DW REINF COMPANY WITH
 TANKS AND ONTOS. EXECUTE COMBAT PATROL TO VIC (BS6593) AND ESTAB-
 LISH BLOCKING POSITIONS. AT H-HOUR ON D-DAY, 2 BNS (-) USMC
 AND ARVN FORCES ATK EAST FROM POS ALONG NAT'L RTE ONE TO CAPTURE
 OR DESTROY TROOPS AND EQUIP IN AO.VN OB: 38 LF BN; 40TH BN,
 1ST VC REGT; 2D BN, 21ST NVA REGT REPTD IN AO.

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TS OF OPNS IN PROGRESS FOLLOWS:

	HASTINGS/LAM SON 289A		MACON	
	US	ARVN	US	
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A. CINCPACFLT 232314Z

1. AUTHORITY GRANTED TO DELAY RECONSTITUTION OF SLF AND EXTEND
EMPLOYMENT OF ARG IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HASTINGS UNTIL 30 JUL 66
AS REQUESTED REF A.

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1. DECK HOUSE 11 SITREP NR 28 AS OF 261400Z.

2. TASK ORGANIZATION

A. TG 76.5 AMPHIB READY GROUP CONSISTING OF PRINCETON (CTG 76.5, HMM 363, TACRON DET AND BJU DET EMB), ALAMO, PICKAWAY, WHITE RIVER, BEALE.

B. SLF ASHORE UNDER OPCON CG TF DELTA. HMM 363 CONTINUES UTILIZE PRINCETON AS OF BASE.

3. ACTIONS

A. TG 776.5 MAINTAINING STATION VIC THACHH HAN RIVER MOUTH NORTH OF QUANG TRI IN SUPPORT OF OPS ASHORE.

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- B. QLF
- (1) BLI 3/3 CONDUCTING PROBES AND PATROLS IN OP HASTINGS.
- (2) OPS
- (A) AT 262555H ARTY MISSION ON A SUSPECTED ENEMY POSITION
AT YD 008605 PRODUCED SECONDARY EXPLOSION AND FIRE OF 45 MIN
DURATION.
- (3) CASUALTIES
- (A) DURING PERIOD - NONE
- (B) CUMULATIVE (DECK HOUSE II AND HASTINGS)
ENEMY - 131 KIA, 46 KIA (PROB), 6 WIA (CONF), 15 WIA
(PROB), 5 CAPTURED.
~~100 BTRY - 100 WIA (ADJUSTED AS CONFIRMED)~~
- (4) UNIT LOCATIONS
- BLI CP - YD 075605
CO I - YD 011616
CO K - YD 011616
CO L - YD 011616
CO M - YD 011616
100 BTRY - YD 115579
- C. PHIBRON FIVE CADRE STAFF ARRIVED PRINCETON.

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D. USS BEALE (DD-471) RELIEVED JOHN A. BOLE FOR NGFS.

4. INTENTIONS

A. CONDUCT AF UNREP ALL UNITS PM 27 JULY.

B. CONTINUE SUPPORT OPS ASHORE.

5. ACTIONS REQUIRED OF HIGHER AUTHORITY: NONE.

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ZEN/CG FIELD FORCE TWO BIEN HOA RVN
ZEN/CG OK FV
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ZEN/CG FIRST MAW
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III MAF DAILY SITREP NR 007 FOR PD 260001-262400R JULY 1966
I. OP SUMMARY.

A. MACON, 9TH MAR BONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NAM PROV WITH
LIGHT CONTACT. AT 261350H CO M/3/9 PLAT PTL VIC (AT 525510)
RECD 10 RDS SA FIRE FROM 2 VC VIC (AT 924506). FIRED SA AW
AND M-79 RDS WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 261500H CO M/3/9 PLAT VIC
(AT 938529) OBS 4 VC VIC (AT 939529). FIRED SA, 1 VC KIA
(CONF). AT 261600H CO M/3/9 PLAT VIC (AT 918493) RECD SA FIRE
FROM VIC (AT 934078), RTND SA, CALLED IN 31MM WITH UNK RE-
SULTS. AT 261740H CO M/3/9 VIC (AT 928493) RECD 75 RDS SA
FROM 8 VC VIC (AT 929889), RTND 350 RDS SA, 40 M-79
RDS, CALLED IN 60MM AND 81MM MORTS WITH UNK RESULTS. AT
261800H CO M/3/9 PLAT VIC (AT 901571) OBS 20 VC WITH UNK
(AT 891501), RECD 25 RDS SA FROM 6 VC VIC (AT 901571) IN
IN 81MM AND 135MM OR THE 28VC WITH UNK RESULTS. FIRED 15 M-
RDS AND 50 RDS 7500 AT 1 VC, 2 VC KIA. CONF. IN QUANG NAM PROV

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AT 261900H VN FEMALE APPROACHED CO M/3/9 VIC (AT 913514),
POINTED TO HOUSE SAYING (QUOTE) "VC" (UNQUOTE), MARINES IN-
VESTIGATED, FOUND ONE VC KIA, AND ONE VN MALE BTODY BURNING, 2
VC KIA (CONF).

B. OP HASTINGS. TASK FORCE DELTA CONT OPS IN QUANG TRI
PROV WITH 7 INF BNS (2/4, 3/4, 2/1, 1/3, 1/5, 1/1, AND 2/9)
AND 3/12 MAR, 2 BTRYS OF 4/12, AND ONE 4.2 BTRY OF 1/11 AS
ARTY SPT; WITH 1ST MAR CMD GRP AND 1 BN ON CALL. AT 260555H
3/5 MAR CALLED IN ARTY MSN ON SUSPECTED ENEMY POS VIC (XD 008-
605), 1 SECONDARY EXPLOS. AT 261055H RECON FLT OBS 6 NVA VIC
(XD 991492), CALLED IN ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 261315H
CO F/2/1 OBS 3 VC VIC (XD 988594) FIRED 60MM MORT WITH UNK
RESULTS.

C. OP FRANKLIN. 7TH MAR COMMENCED S&D OPS IN QUANG NGAI
PROV WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 260720H CO 1/2/7 VIC (BS 620982)
DET BOOBY TRAPPED GREN, 2 USMC WIA (MED EVAC), AT 260800H
CO A 1/7 VIC (BS 618915) APPREHENDED 1 VCS. AT 260815H CO C 1/7 VIC
(BS 621904) APPREHENDED 2 VCS. AT 261050H CO F/2/7 VIC (BS
632898) DEST ROAD BLOCK. AT 261125H 2D PLAT, CO C, 1ST RECON
BN OBS 5 VC VIC (BS 676868), CALLED IN ARTY, 1 VC KIA (CONF).

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VC KIA (PROB). AQ261535H CO C, 1ST RECON BN VIC (BS 478846)
CALLED ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 261610H CO E 2/7 RECD 5 RDS
SA, FIRED 40 RDS SA WITH NEW RESULTS.

D. SIGNIFICANT CONTACT. FROM 251750 TO 252010H NUI TRON
OP CALLED FIRE MSNS VIC (BS 547796, 545788, 553783)
ON ELEMS OF VC BN REPT BY LOCAL AGENT, LOCAL RF AGENT REPORTED
18 VC KIA (CONF), SIX WIA (CONF).

E. PLANS SUMMARY
(1) OP MACON. 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NAM
PROV.

(2) OP HASTINGS. TASK FORCE DELTA CONT S&D OPS IN
QUANG TRI PROV.

(3) OP FRANKLIN. 7TH MAR CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG
NGAI PROV.

F. MAJOR UNIT OPS:
(1) MACON : US LOSSES: 8 KIA, 49 WIA
ENEMY LOSSES: 194 KIA (CONF) (137 GND, 57 KBA)
406 KIA (PROB) (281 GND, 125 KBA)
5 WPNS, 26 VCS

CUM TAC AIRSTRIKE SORTIES: 22

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 CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUN FIRE: NONE
 (2) HASTINGS: US LOSSES: 119 KIA, 443 WIA (ADJUSTED FIGURE)
 ENEMY LOSSES: 696 KIA, (CONF)(660 GND, 35 KBA)
 600 KIA, (PROB)(574 GND, 26 KBA)
 166 WPNS, (141 GND, 25 AV)
 10 VCC
 CUM TAC AIRSTRIKE SORTIES: 780
 CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUN FIRE: NONE
 (3) OP FRANKLIN:
 (1) NAME OF OPN: FRANKLIN
 (2) CONTROL HQ: 7TH MAR
 (3) UNITS: 1/7, 2/7, 3/11, 2D ARVN DIV HQ,
 2/5, 37TH RANGERS, 1/4 APC, 3/4 (RESERVE)
 (4) TYPE: S&D
 (5) COORD: (BS 635882)
 (6) PROVINCE: QUANG NGAI
 (7) DTG INITIATED: 260715H
 (8) PURPOSE: TTEFIND, CAPTURE, OR DESTROY ENEMY
 FORCES, SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT, CLEAR AREA FOR 2D KMG BDE.
 (9) RESULTS: USMC: 5 WIA, ENEMY: 2 VC KIA (CONF)

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(10) CUM TAC AIR STRIKE SORTIES: 8
 (11) CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUN FIRE: NONE
 G. FRIENDLY INITIATED SMALL UNIT CONTACTS: 16

PROV/COORD DTG	FRD UNIT/LOSSES	EN UNIT/LOSSES	ACTION
QUANG TIN			
BT502039 261050H (D)	F/2/7/NONE	UNK/1 VCS	DEF
BT505023 261245H (D)	F/2/7/NONE	UNK/1 VCS	DEF
BT439051 262025H (N)	F/2/5/NONE	UNK/NONE	AMB
QUANG NGAI			
BS568910 251100H (D)	M/3/7/NONE	UNK/1 VCS	PTL
BES569942 261115H (D)	L/3/7/NONE	UNK/1 VCS	PTL
BS598977 252145H (N)	C/1/7/NONE	UNK/UNK	AMB
BS570919 262200 (N)	M/3/7/NONE	UNK/NONE	LP
BS547796 251750H (D)	M/4/11/NONE	UNK/18 KIA	ARTY FR
QUANG NAM			
AT904543 261010H (D)	B/1/9/NONE	UNK/UNK	OP
AT935389 261045H (D)	C4C-21/NONE	UNK/UNK	PTL
BT049647 261130H (D)	L/3/9/NONE	UNK/UNK	S&D
BT055646 261200H (D)	L/3/9/NONE	UNK/2 VCS	CLR
BT163599 261515H (D)	M/1/7/NONE	UNK/3VCS	PTL

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SUBJC ARC LIGHT STRIKE REQUEST (U)
REF: A. COMUSMACV 2519 DTG 270155Z (S)

1. (S) THIS MESSAGE REQUESTS APPROVAL OF THREE ARC LIGHT STRIKES LOCATED IN QUANG TRI PROVINCES, SVN. ALL THREE STRIKES ARE REQUESTED IN SUPPORT OF ~~OPERATION HASTINGS~~ AND WILL BE USED AS HARASSMENT AND INTERDICTION TARGETS. TIMING FOR THE STRIKES WILL BE REQUESTED AT A LATER DATE.

2. (S) THE FOLLOWING STRIKES ARE SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL: (REF A CONTAINS INTELLIGENCE JUSTIFICATION).

TARGET	UTM COORDINATES	ACFT
A. QUANG TRI ONE ONE TWO (DEEP LAKE ONE)	XD970612 RPT XD970612	THREE (3)

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	XD962618 RPT XD962618	
	XD980640 RPT XD980640	
	XD088634 RPT XD988634	
B. QUANG TRI ONE ONE THREE (DEEP LAKE TWO)	XD024572 RPT XD924572	THREE (3)
	XD927581 RPT XD927581	
	XD941565 RPT XD941565	
	XD945574 RPT XD945574	
C. QUANG TRI ONE ONE FIVE (DEEP LAKE THREE)	XD915525 RPT XD915525	THREE (3)
	XD918515 RPT XD918515	
	XD936532 RPT XD936532	
	XD939523 RPT XD939523	

3. (S) THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION APPLIES TO ALL STRIKES LISTED IN PARA TWO ABOVE:

- A. WEAPONEERING: H.E. MUNITIONS ATNSAC'S DISCRETION, REQUEST 40:60 SURFACE TO SUBSURFACE.
- B. MAP SERIES LA701, SCALE 1:50,000.
- C. GROUNDPROBATION IS NOT SCHEDULED.
- D. IN REGARDS TONPROXIMITY OF HUTS AND HAMLETS, REF A APPLIES.
- E. RADAR HELICOPTER BEACON WILL NOOMBE PROVIDED.

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- F. FRIENDLY FORCES WILL BE NO CLOSER THAN THREE KILOMETERS TO ANY TARGET AT TOT.
- G. AMEMB., SAIGON AND GVN HAVE APPROVED THESE STRIKES.

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1. DECK HOUSE II (U) SITEP NR 29 AS OF 270200Z.
2. TASK ORGANIZATION
 - A. TG 76.5 AMPHIB READY GROUP CONSISTING OF PRINCETON (CTG 76.5, MMM363, TACRON DET AND DXU BET EMB), ALAMO, PICKAWAY, WHITE RIVER, BEALE.
 - B. SLF ASHORE UNDER OPCON CG TF DELTA. RMINUES UTILIZE PRINCETON AS OP BASE.
3. ACTIONS
 - A. TG 76.5 MAINTAINING STATION VIC THACH HAN RIVER MOUTH NORTH OF QUANG TRI IN SUPPORT OF OPS ASHORE.

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- B. SLF
 - (1) BLT 3/5 CONDUCTING OPS AS SIGNBD AREAS.
 - (2) CP DISPLACED TO YD 012616.
 - (3) CASUALTIES: NO CHANGE.

4. INTENTIONS
 - A. K, 58, 73 700945 90 - 943.
5. ACTIONS REQUIRED OF HIGHER AUTHORITY: NONE.

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III MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY NR. 207 FOR PD 260001-262400H JUL66
1. OPERATIONS
A. MACON. 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NAM PROV WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 261350H CO M/3/9 PLAT PTL VIC (AT 925510) RECD 10 RDS SA FIRE FROM 2 VC VIC (AT 924506), FIRED SA/AW AND M-79 RDS WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 261500H CO M/3/9 PLAT VIC

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(AT 938529) OBS 4 VC VIC (AT 939529), FIRED SA, 1 VC KIA (CONF) AT 261600H CO K/3/9 PLAT VIC (AT 918491) RECD SA FIRE FROM VIC (AT 934078), RTND SA, CALLED IN 81MM WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 261740H CO K/3/9 VIC (AT 928491) RECD 75 RDS SA FROM 8 VC VIC (AT 929489), RTND 380 RDS 7.62, 40 M-79 RDS, CALLED IN 60MM AND 81MM MORTS WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 261800H CO M/3/9 PLAT VIC (AT 903571) OBS 20 VC WITH WPNS VIC (AT 891501), RECD 25 RDS SA FROM 6 VC VIC (AT 902510) CALLED IN 81MM AND 105MM ON 20 VC WITH UNK RESULTS, FIRED 13 M-79 RDS AND 80 RDS 7.62 AT 6 VC, 2 VC KIA (CONF), 1 VC WIA (PROB). AT 261900H VN FEMALE APPROACHED CO M/3/9 VIC (AT 913514), POINTED TO HOUSE SAYING (QUOTE) "VC (UNQUOTE), MARINES INVESTIGATED, FOUND ONE VC KIA, AND 1 VN BODY BURNING, 2 VC KIA (CONF).
~~US LOCATED 194 M-79 (CONF) (1ST GND, 37 KBA)
400 M-79 (CONF) (1ST GND, 125 KBA)~~

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TASK FORCE DELTA CONT OPS IN QUANG TRI PROV WITH 7 INF BNS (2/4, 3/4, 2/1, 1/3, 3/5, 1/1, AND 2/9) AND 3/12 MAR, 2 BTRYS OF 4/12, AND ONE 4.2 BTRY OF 1/11 AS

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ARTY SPT; WITH 1ST MAR CMD GRP AND 1 BN ON CALL. AT 260555H
3/5 MAR CALLED IN ARTY MSN ON SUSPECTED ENEMY POS VIC (YD 008-
605), 1 SECONDARY EXPLOS. AT 261055H RECON PTL OBS 6 NVA VIC
(XD 991492), CALLED IN ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 261315H
CO F/2/1 OBS 3 VC VIC (XD 988594) FIRED 60MM MORT WITH UNK
RESULTS.

US LOSSES: 119 KIA, 443 WIA (ADJUSTED FIGURE)
ENEMY LOSSES: 696 KIA (CONF) (660 GND, 36 KBA)
600 KIA (PROB) (574 GND, 26 KBA)
166 WPNS (141 IND, 25 AW)
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C. OP FRANKLIN. 7TH MAR WITH (2 BNS) COMMENCED S&D OPS IN QUANG NGAI
PROV WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 260720H CO I/2/7 VIC (BS 620982)
DET BOOBY TRAPPED GRENADE, 2 USMC WIA (MED EVAC). AT 260800H
CO A 1/7 VIC (BS 618915) APPREHENDED 1 VCS. AT 260815H CO C
1/7 VIC (BS 621904) APPREHENDED 2 VCS. AT 261050H CO E/2/7
VIC (BS 632898) DEST ROAD BLOCK. AT 261125H 2D PLAT, CO C,
1ST RECON BN OBS 5 VC VIC (BS 676868), CALLED IN ARTY, 1 VC
KIA (CONF), 1 VC KIA (PROB). AT 261535H CO C, 1ST RECON BN
VIC (BS 478846) CALLED ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 261610H

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CO E 2/7 RECD 5 RDS SA, FIRED 40 RDS SA WITH NEG RESULTS.
US LOSSES: 5 WIA

ENEMY LOSSES: 2 VC KIA (CONF)
D. SIGNIFICANT CONTACT. FROM 251750H TO 252010H NUI TRON
OP CALLED FIRE MSNS VIC (BS 547796, 545788, 553783) ON ELMS
OF VC BN REPT BY LOCAL AGENT, LOCAL RF AGENT REPORTED 18 VC
KIA (CONF), 6 WIA (CONF).

D. 1ST MARINE DIVISION

(1) CHU LAI TAOR

(A) 5TH MARINES

(1) 1/5TH MAR: NEG CONTACT

(2) 2/5TH MAR: AT 262025H CO X SQD AMB
VIC (BT 441051) OBS 3 VC VIC (BT 439051), FIRED 100 RDS SA/
AW WITH NEG RESULTS.

(B) 7TH MARINES

(1) 1/7TH MAR: (REAR) (LATE ENTRY) AT 252145H CO
C USMC/PF FTM AMB VIC (BT 598977) OBS 5 VC, FIRED 70 RDS SA,
1 VC WIA (PROB). AT 261105H, H&S CO AND 1ST ENGR BN SURVEY
PARTY MAKING RECON OF NEW ROAD FOR 1/7 VIC (BS 697977) RECD 30
RDS BBS FROM SEVERAL VC WITH 1 AW VIC (BS 699976), RTM

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ON 25 JULY AS SEVEN BATTALIONS OF THE 3RD BR, 5TH
AGAINST THE 324B NVA BATTALION. CONTACT WAS MADE
ED ENCOUNTERS WITH ENEMY TROOPS. CONTACT WAS MADE
SULTED IN EIGHT NVA TROOPS BEING KILLED AND AN ADDITIONAL
FIVE KILLED BY MARINE ARTILLERY. ENEMY CASUALTIES
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HASTINGS AREA NOW BEING SEARCHED FOR ADDITIONAL
ADDITIONAL 600 PROBABLE ENEMY TROOPS. ENEMY CASUALTIES
NVA PERSONNEL CAPTURED. ENEMY CASUALTIES
SUSTAINED 116 KIA AS OF 24 JULY.

ELEMENTS OF THE 3RD BR, 5TH
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RECOVERED THE BODIES OF SEVENTEEN NVA, AND THERE WERE
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DRAGGED AWAY. A LARGE AMOUNT OF ENEMY EQUIPMENT WAS
ALSO FOUND IN THE AREA INCLUDING ONE .30 CAL MFG, ONE
57MM RR, ONE 12.7 MFG, ONE 81MM MORTAR, ONE 60MM MORTAR,
TWO SMG, 60 PACKS, MEDICAL SUPPLIES, DOCUMENTS
AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS. SINCE BLT 5/5 LANDED ON

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16 JULY TO COMMENCE OPERATIONS ON 11, AND SUBSEQUENTLY
MOVED TO THE HASTINGS AREA. THE BN HAS KILLED 22 PERCENT
OF THE TOTAL ENEMY LOSSES TO DATE (122 OF 690) AND CAPTURED
FIVE OF THE 11 ENEMY BATTALIONS. AS FURTHER EVIDENCE
THAT THE BATTALION FIGHTING IN THE THICK OF THE FIGHT-
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IN ZONE A (EAST OF THE HASTINGS AREA AND EXTENDING TO
HIGHWAY ONE) AT 0600Z ON 25TH WITH NO REPORTED
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ON 25 JULY AS SEVEN REGIMENTAL BATTALIONS (32ND, 33RD, 34TH, 35TH, 36TH, 37TH, 38TH) ENDED
AGAINST THE 324B NVA BATTALION. THIS ENEMY GROUP ENGAGED IN REPEATED
ENCOUNTERS WITH MARINE BATTALIONS WHICH RESULTED IN EIGHT NVA
SULTED IN EIGHT NVA BATTALIONS KILLED, TWENTY-SEVEN WOUND, AND
FIVE KILLED BY MARINE BATTALIONS. ENEMY CASUALTIES WERE
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WERE CONFIRMED KILLED. THE 2D PLATOON WAS EXTRACTED AFTER 225 HOURS ON THE OPERATIONAL WAVE. THE RECON PLATOON DID NOT SUFFER ANY LOSSES. TWO AIR STRIKES ON ENEMY POSITIONS WERE CONDUCTED RESULTING IN 5 VC CONFIRMED KILLED. 2 VC WERE KILLED, PLUS AGENTS WERE LISTED AS DEAD. CONFIRMED KILLED. ADDITIONAL DETAILS OF ALL UNIT OPERATIONS MAY BE FOUND IN PARA 3.8.

D. PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE

~~PSYWAR OPERATIONS~~ WAS EXPANDED ON 15 JULY, IT HAS RECEIVED NEARLY EXCLUSIVE USE OF AVAILABLE AIRBORNE PSYWAR SUPPORT. **BOTH**

B-47 AND U-10 AIR-
CRAFT, IN ADDITION TO MARINE HELICOPTERS, HAVE BEEN USED FOR EXTENSIVE AERIAL BROADCASTING AND LEAFLET DISSEMINATION. THE LEAFLET THEMES HAVE BEEN MANY AND VARIED CHIEU HOI (OPEN ARMS) LEAFLETS EMPHASIZING THE FEAR OF VIOLENT DEATH AND BEING AWAY FROM HOME AND FAMILY, AND LEAFLETS EXPLAINING THE TREMENDOUS DESTRUCTIVE POWER OF B-52 ARC LIGHT STRIKES ARE SOME EXAMPLES. OVER 6,378,000 LEAFLETS WERE DROPPED IN THE
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AREA SOUTH OF THE DMZ DURING THE PERIOD 18 TO 25 JULY,
AND THESE LEAFLET DROPS WERE ACCOMPANIED BY EXTENSIVE
AERIAL BROADCASTS USING CHIEU HOI TAPES AND MESSAGES
DIRECTED AT VARIOUS NVA UNITS.

A MACV REPORT STATES THAT NORTH
VIETNAMESE FORCES IN THE HASTINGS AREA ARE ALSO DIS-
TRIBUTING A LIMITED NUMBER OF PSYWAR LEAFLETS. THESE

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G. CIVIC ACTION

III MAF'S CIVIC ACTION PROGRAM WAS PROJECTED TO COVER 100 MILES NORTHWEST OF CAM LO. A CATHOLIC CHAPLAIN, MCB-3 AND MCB-4 PROVIDED CLOTHING, SCHOOL SUPPLIES AND \$150.00 TO THE SCHOOLS AND AN ORPHANAGE IN THE VILLAGE. THE 500 POUNDS OF CLOTHING AND SUPPLIES WERE DONATED BY THE FAMILIES OF MCB-3, PORT HUENEME, CALIF., AND THE ELKS CLUB OF SPRINGFIELD, VERMONT.

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A. LARGE UNIT OPERATIONS

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(A) TASK FORCE DELTA CONTINUES SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN FORENCP GUNG IN PROVINCE WITH SEVEN MARINE INFANTRY COMPANIES REQUIRING:

1. FIVE (5) PORT MORTAR BATTERIES UNDER REMAINS ON CALL 2. ONE (1) ASSIGNED AT 250010H, 01

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ARTILLERY MISSIONS WERE PERFORMED IN SUPPORT OF THE BATTALION IN AN AREA EIGHT MILES WEST OF CAM LO (YD 250661). AT 250640H, A LARGE FIRE AND SMALL ARMS FIRE WHICH HAD 700 ROUNDS OF FOUR LESSER, INDICATED SUSPECTED MORTAR POSITIONS. CO B RECEIVED 81MM MORTAR FIRE FROM A VC POSITION TWO EIGHT EIGHT MILES NORTHWEST OF CAM LO. MARINES RETURNED ARTILLERY AND 81MM MORTAR FIRE, BUT WERE UNABLE TO CONFIRM RESULTS.

2. SECOND BN, FIRST MARINE. NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACTS WERE RECORDED. THIRD MARINES. AT 250645H, CO B FOUND TWO NVA KIA (YD 056661) AND TWO DISPATCH CASES CONTAINING ASSORTED DOCUMENTS (YD 056661), SEVEN MILES NORTHWEST OF CAM LO.

4. SECOND BN, FOURTH MARINES. AT 251512H, CO G RECEIVED TWENTY-TWO ROUNDS OF 81MM MORTAR FIRE FROM A VC POSITION NEAR (YD 053647). MARINES DIRECTED ARTILLERY AND 81MM MORTAR FIRE ON THE SUSPECTED MORTAR POSITIONS, BUT WERE UNABLE TO CONFIRM RESULTS. AT 251955H, CO H ACCOUNTED FOR TWO NVA KIA WITH SMALL ARMS FIRE (YD 052654), AND CAPTURED TWO CHICOM ASSAULT RIFLES.

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5. 1ST BN, 104TH MARRINES, AT 081000Z
 CO L ENCOUNTERED AND KILLED ONE NVA (YD 011615) AND ONE NVA
 ONE CHICOM 7.62 CALIBRE, HAVING BEEN IDENTIFIED AS
 6. 1ST BN, 104TH MARRINES, AT 081000Z
 CO L SIGHTED SEVEN NVA AND SEVENTEEN NVA AT 081000Z
 IN ONE NVA KIA. (YD 011616), SEVEN NVA WERE KILLED AND
 NVA KIA WERE ACCOUNTED FOR, AND SEVENTEEN NVA
 KILLED. AT 2522Z, CO K AND CO L RESEARCHED THE AREA
 WEST OF CAM LO (YD 018617 AND 018617) WHERE THEY FOUND EVIDENCE
 FOR SIX HOURS WITH NVA FORCES ON 24 JULY. SEVENTEEN NVA
 KIA WERE FOUND AND EVIDENCE THAT AN ADDITIONAL SIXTY-SIX NVA
 HAD ALSO BEEN KILLED. THE ENEMY ARMS AND AMMUNITION FOUND DURING
 THE SEARCH ARE AS FOLLOWS: ONE 30 CAL MG, ONE 12.7 MG,
 NINE SEMI-AUTOMATIC CHICOM RIFLES, TWO SMG, ONE .30 CAL
 AUTOMATIC RIFLE, ONE M-18 RIFLE, FIVE M-72'S, EIGHTY FRAG-
 MENTATION GRENADES, ONE THOUSAND BLASTING CAPS, TWENTY-FIVE
 POUNDS OF DEMOLITIONS, TWO MINES, ONE 82MM ROUND, FOUR
 THOUSAND ROUNDS OF LINKED .30 CAL, ONE BASE FLATE AND A
 DESTROYED 81MM MORTAR TUBE, ONE 50 MM RECOLLESS RIFLE, MUCH
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PERSONAL EQUIPMENT, NUMEROUS MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND DOCUMENTS
(B) AIR SUPPORT
MARINE FIXED WING AIRCRAFT FLEW EIGHTY FIVE SORTIES
AND EXPENDED NINETY ONE TONS OF BOMBS AND SEVEN TONS OF NAPALM
AT 0510J0H AN AIR STRIKE (YO 020523) SEVEN MILES WEST OF
CAM LO, UNCOVERED NUMEROUS BUNKERS AND TRENCHES. FIVE NVG
KBA WERE CONFIRMED. OTHER BOMB DAMAGE ASSESSMENT INCLUDED

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FIFTEEN STRUCTURAL 23 GUN POSITIONS, AS WELL AS
TIFICATIONS DESTROYED, AS WELL AS
20 HELICOPTERS FLEW
SORTIES, CARRYING FIFTEEN HUNDRED
AND TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY-THREE MEN

- (C) RESULTS:
- ENEMY
- 690 KIA (100)
- 600 KIA (RECOVERED)
- 10 CAPTURED
- 141 INDIVIDUAL WEAPONS
- 20 AUTOMATIC WEAPONS

(2) OPERATION TACON

(A) FIRST MARINES ARE CONTINUING SEARCH AND DESTRUCTION
OPERATIONS IN AREA. CONTACTS WITH ENEMY ARE LIMITED.
CONTACT. AT 211500H, A BOMB WAS DROPPED ON ENEMY POSITION.
ONE MARINE WOUND BY BOMB. BOMB EXPLODED IN AREA.
WAS DETONATED BY ENEMY. BOMB DROPPED IN AREA.
AT 251500H, A BOMB WAS DROPPED ON ENEMY POSITION.
UNDER FIRE (A) RESULTS:

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ONE VC KIA WAS REPORTED

- (B) RESULTS:
- ENEMY
- 8 KIA (100)
- 40 KIA (RECOVERED)
- WEAPONS

B. SMALL UNIT OPERATIONS

- (1) HUE PHU BAN
- (A) NO CONTACTS WERE REPORTED
- (2) DANANG TAOR
- (A) FIRST MARINES

JTM FIRST BN (REAR). AT 250925H A SQUAD PATROL
FROM CO A APPREHENDED TWO VC SUSPECTS TEN MILES SOUTHWEST
OF DANANG (BT 115623). AT 250935H A SQUAD PATROL FROM CO L,
THIRD BN, NINTH MAR, NINE MILES SOUTHEAST OF DANANG (BT 070573,
065624, 063626) RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM NINE VC WORKING
IN THREE MAN TEAMS (BT 070525, 067624, 061623). THE SQUAD
RETURNED SMALL ARMS FIRE AND M-75 FIRE, AND A PLATOON SWEEP
THE AREA WITH NO CONFIRMED RESULTS. AT 250737H A SQUAD
PATROL FROM CO A, 37 MILES SOUTHWEST OF DANANG (BT 151511)

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C O N F I D E N T I A L CCN 25825

1. (C) I CTZ

A. OPN HASTINGS/LAM SON 289A CONT WITH LIGHT CONTACT.
USMC ASSUMED MSN OF (YD053647) AT 261205H. 2/4
ASSUMED MSN OF TF D RESERVE LOC AT 1/3 CP DISP TO
(YD072656). 1/1 MOVED TO (YD082604). 3/5 CP (YD012616). LAM
SON 289A REPTD NO CONTACT. 1/3 (ARVN) LOC (YD113639). 4/2
(ARVN) LOC (YD128647), 2D ARVN REGT CP AND 1/7 (TANKS) LOC
CAM LG.

B. OPN MACON CONT WITH LIGHT CONTACT.

C. OPN FRANKLIN/LIEN KET CONT WITH VERY LIGHT CONTACT.
1/7 (USMC) LOC (BS645922); 2/7 (USMC) LOC (BS662867), 2/5 (ARVN)
LOC (BS675857); 37TH RANGERS LOC (BS691835).

D. CUM RESULTS OF OPNS IN PROGRESS FOLLOW: USMC VIA
FOR OPN HASTINGS IS AN ADJUSTED FIGURE.

FRIENDLY

	HASTINGS/LAM SON 289A		MACON	FRANKLIN/LIEN KET 50	
	US	ARVN	US	US	ARVN
KIA	119	21	8		
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2. (C) II CTZ

A. OPN JOHN PAUL JONES CONT WITH LIGHT SPORATIC CONTACT. ELEMENTS OF 2/327 RECOVERED BODY OF USAID EMPLOYEE ON 26 JULY VIO CPO18904. CAUSE OF DEATH UNK.

B. ALL OTHER MAJOR OPNS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT OR CHANGE IN MISSION.

C. CUM RESULTS OF OPNS IN PROGRESS FOLLOWS:
 FRIENDLY

	HAYES US	HENRY CLAY US	PAUL REVERE US/VN/TOT	JOHN PAUL JONES US/ROK/TOCD	SU BOK ROK
KIA	0	1	62/16/78	4/0/4	22
WIA	0	20	293/41/334	3/0/3	70
MIA	0	0	2/10/12	0/0/0	0
VIET CONG					
KIA	0	35	522/76/598	6/31/37	269
VCC	0	7	66/6/72	0/2/2	28
VCS	0	12	9/5/14	4/22/26	120
IND					
WPNS	3	82	210/15/225	0/23/23	76
C/S					
WPNS	0	2	16/0/16	0/0/0	0
AIR					
SORTIES	0	202	628	51	518
NGF	N/A	N/A	N/A	2	0

3. (C) III CTZ

A. ALL OPNS CONTINUE WITHOUT SIGNIFICANT CONTACT.

B. REF MY 262205Z PARA 3B, RESULTS OF MORTAR ATK ON CU CHI (25TH INF DIV CP) AT 0515H TO 0540H AN EST TOTAL OF 40 RDS 82MM MORTAR FIRE. MAKING A TOTAL OF 175 RDS 82MM AND 15MM RR FIRE REC BY CU CHI 26-27 JULY. RES: MORTAR ATK 261920H-262120H: 23 WIA, MORTAR ATK 270515H - 270540H: 6 WIA. EQUIP AND STRUCTURE DAMAGE REPORTED AS LIGHT.

C. GUN TOTAL FOR OPNS:

	FRIENDLY				
	KL PASO III US	AURORA II US	KOKO HEAD US	KAHANA I/II US	HOBART US
KIA	0	0	2	0/0	3
VIA	0	8	2	2/0	16
MIA	0	0	0	0/0	0
		VIET CONG			
KIA	0	2	2	1/3	7
VOC	0	2	1	1/0	0
VCS	0	2	62	5/0	0
IND					
WPNS	0	0	1	4/0	1
C/S					
WPNS	0	0	0	0/0	0
AIR					
SORTIES	230	9	85	2	3

4. (C) IV CTZ: OPN CUU LONG 35/66, A 7TH INF DIV S/D IN DINH TUONG PROV (XS0953) 43 KM NW OF MY THO STARTED 270700H JUL AS A FOLLOW-UP TO B-52 STRIKE AT 270630H. UNITS: 32D RGR BN, 1/10, 2/11, 1/12, 3/12, 2/11 INF BNS, 41ST RGR BN, 2/6 CAV, 21ST & 27TH RAQ. HEL LIFT OF 32D RGR BN TO LZ (XS086526) AND 2/10 INF TO LZ (XS077516) COMPLETED 270830H. RESULTS: SOME BUNKERS DESTROYED, NO ENEMY CAS FOUND.

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SECRET LINDIS 25873 FROM: MACCOC2, SECTION ONE OF TWO
SUBJECT: ARC LIGHT STRIKE REQUEST (U)
REF: COMUSMACV 25867 DTG 271045Z (S)

1. (S) THIS MESSAGE REQUESTS APPROVAL OF EIGHT ARC LIGHT STRIKES LOCATED WITHIN THE DMZ OF VIETNAM AND THREE TARGETS LOCATED IN NORTH VIETNAM. TIMING IS REQUESTED FOR FOUR STRIKES WITH TIMING FOR THE REMAINING STRIKES TO BE REQUESTED AT A LATER DATE. TWO OF THE TARGETS, DELINEATED IN PARAGRAPH THREE BELOW, WERE REQUESTED BY THE CG, 7AF, WITH THE INTELLIGENCE JUSTIFICATION AS CONTAINED IN REF A. THE REMAINING NINE TARGETS, DELINEATED IN PARAGRAPH FOUR BELOW, WERE REQUESTED BY CG, III MAF. THE INTELLIGENCE FOR THESE NINE TARGETS IS CONTAINED IN PARA TWO BELOW.

2. (S) CG, III MAF, HAS STATED A HIGH CONCERN OVER THE BUILD-UP OF ENEMY TROOP CONCENTRATIONS AND EXTENSIVE FIXED FORTIFICATIONS IN THE DMZ. ADDITIONALLY, THE CG, III MAF STATES THAT ALL INTELLIGENCE AVAILABLE CONCLUDES THAT THE ENEMY TROOPS ARE CONCENTRATED IN THE DMZ. IT IS ESTIMATED THAT OPERATION HASTINGS HAS FORCED LARGE NUMBERS OF NVA/VC FORCES INTO THE DMZ AND NVN REAS WHERE WERE CONSIDERED BY ENEMY AS A RELATIVELY SAFE HAVEN PRIOR TO OPERATION TALLY HO. THESE ENEMY FORCES AND THEIR BASE AREAS ARE SCATTERED THROUGHOUT

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THE PROPOSED TARGETS OUTLINED IN PARAGRAPH FOUR BELOW AND ARE CONSIDERED AS A DIRECT THREAT TO QUANG TRI PROVINCE. THE GENERAL AREA INTELLIGENCE AS CONTAINED IN REF A APPLIES TO THE NINE PROPOSED TARGETS. IN ADDITION, CG, III MAF, HAS REPORTED THE FOLLOWING SPECIFIC JUSTIFICATION WHICH HAS BEEN GROUPED TOGETHER IN VIEW OF THE CONFINED AREA WHERE ALL TARGETS ARE LOCATED:

- A. 12 SPARS.
- B. AMMO AND WEAPONS DEPOT, OPEN STORAGE AREAS, SUPPLY DEPOT, 2 MILITARY INSTALLATIONS, V.C. TRAINING CAMP, REGT. ICP, RICE STORAGE AREAS, PROBABLY COMMO SITE AND 4 WHSES.
- C. SONE BN SIGHTING ON 26 JULY, WITH AN ESTIMATED TWO ADDITIONAL BNS IN THE AREA.
- D. INFILTRATION ROUTE WITH HEAVY VEHICLE TRAFFIC.
- E. 24 AA POSITIONS AND 2GVN EMPLACEMENTS.
- F. HEAVY TRENCHING THROUGHOUT THE AREA.

3. (S) REQUEST APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING ARC LIGHT STRIKES: (REF A CONTAINS INTELLIGENCE JUSTIFICATION).

TARGET	UTM COORDINATES	ACFT	TOT
A. QUANG TRI ONE ONE NINE (THIN MARE ONE)	XD 999772 RPT XD 999772	NINE (9)	2821XXZ JULY
	YD 005781 RPT YD 005781		RPT
	YD 032749 RPT YD 032749		2821XXZ JULY
	YD 038759 RPT YD 038759		
B. QUANG TRI ONE TWENTY (THIN MARE TWO)	XD 978772 RPT XD 978772	NINE (9)	2920XXZ JULY
	XD 974762 RPT XD 974762		RPT
	YD 013758 RPT YD 013758		2920XXZ JULY
	YD 009743 RPT YD 009743		

4. (S) IN VIEW OF PARA TWO ABOVE AND THE AREA INTELLIGENCE CONTAINED IN REF A, REQUEST APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING ARC LIGHT STRIKES:

TARGET	UTM COORDINATES	ACFT	TOT
A. QUANG TRI ONE TWO ONE (THIN MARE THREE)	YD 008717 RPT YD 008717	SIX (6)	2821XXZ JULY
	YD 008727 RPT YD 008727		RPT
	YD 037727 RPT YD 037727		2821XXZ JULY
	YD 037717 RPT YD 037717		

(1) SUBJECT TO EXECUTION APPROVAL, THIS MESSAGE

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CONSTITUTES CONFIRMATION. TIMING BETWEEN THIN MARE ONE AND SHIN MARE THREE AT SAC'S DISCRETION AS LONG AS FIRST TOT IS 282110Z RPT 282110Z WITH NO BOMB RPT YD 028714 RPT YD 037683 RPT YD 037683 2920XXZ JULY YD 045688 RPT YD 045688

(1) TIMING BETWEEN THIN MARE TWO AND THIN MARE FOUR AT SAC'S DISCRETION AS LONG AS FIRST TOT IS 292030Z JULY RPT 292030Z JULY WITH NO BOMBS RELEASED AFTER 292110Z RPT 292110Z.

- C. QUANG TRI ONE TWO THREE (THIN MARE FIVE) YD 014696 RPT YD 014696 SIX (6)
- D. QUANG TRI ONE TWO FOUR (ROUND LAKE ONE) YD 022702 RPT YD 022702 YD 031672 RPT YD 031672 YD 039677 RPT YD 039677 XD 962756 RPT XD 962756 SIX (6)
- E. QUANG TRI ONE TWO FIVE (ROUND LAKE TWO) XD 969763 RPT XD 969763 XD 979739 RPT XD 979739 XD 986746 RPT XD 986746 XD 958718 RPT XD 958718 SIX (6)
- F. QUANG TRI ONE TWO SIX (ROUND LAKE THREE) XD 963711 RPT XD 963711 XD 984733 RPT XD 984733 XD 989725 RPT XD 989725 XD 911691 RPT XD 911691 SIX (6)
- G. QUANG TRI XD 915699 RPT XD 915699 XD 930681 RPT XD 930681 XD 934689 RPT XD 934689 XD 935689 RPT XD 935689 XD 960680 RPT XD 960680 XD 960689 RPT XD 960689 YD 057731 RPT YD 057731 SIX (6)
- H. QUANG TRI ONE TWO EIGHT (ROUND LAKE FIVE) YD 058754 RPT YD 058754 YD 067753 RPT YD 067753 YD 066730 RPT YD 066730 YD 081749 RPT YD 081749 SIX (6)
- I. QUANG TRI ONE TWO NINE

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(ROUND LAKE SIX) YD 081759 RPT YD 081759
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5. (S) THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION APPLIES TO ALL STRIKES LISTED IN PARE THREE AND FOUR ABOVE.

- A. WEAPONEERING: H.E. MUNITIONS AT SAC'S DISCRETION WITH A 30:70 SURFACE TO SUBSURFACE.
- B. MAP SERIES, L-701, SCALE 1:50,000.
- C. GROUND EXPLOITATION IS NOT SCHEDULED.
- D. RADAR HELICOPTER BEACON WILL NOT BE PROVIDED.
- E. FRIENDLY FORCES WILL BE NO CLOSER THAN THREE

KILOMETERS TO ANY TARGET AT TOT.

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LIND IS 25873 FROM: MACCO2. FINAL SEC OF TWO.
RECORD TO PROX A APPLIES. THERE ARE NO VISIBLE HUTS OR
COMBATANTS WITHIN THE PROPOSED TARGETS THIN MARE THREE
AND ROUND LAKE ONE THROUGH SIX.
EVEN STRIKES PROPOSED IN THIS MESSAGE ARE
IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION HASTINGS AND ARE BASED ON THE
INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON ENEMY POSITIONS.
SAIGON APPROVES OVERFLY OF SVN BY STRIKE
CG, I CORPS HAVE BEEN BRIEFED ON ALL TARGETS.

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1. (C) I CTZ:

A. MAJOR OPNS CONT WITH VERY LIGHT CONTACT.

~~B. III MAF STATES NO SUBSTANTIATION OF STORY OF EXECUTION OF 6 MARINE VIK IN OPN BASTINGS.~~

2. (C) II CTZ:

A. OPN JOHN PAUL JONES CONT W/MINOR CONTACT. AT 271200H JUL, 3RD CO, 1ST BN, ROK MAR BDE, ENGAGED VC SQD IN CAVE VIC CQ289287. RESULTS: FRD: NEG; VC: 7 KIA (ROK BC), 2 IND WPNS, 2000 RDS SA,

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3 HAND GRENADES.

B. ALL OTHER MAJOR OPNS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPT OR CHG IN MSN SINCE MY 270425Z JUL.

3. (C) III CTZ:

A. IN BINH TUY PROVINCE, 65 KM NORTH OF HAM TAN (Y7859440) AT 270912H A UHID SPT OPN AURORA II CRASHED AND BURNED. HELICOPTER CARRIED A CREW OF 4 AND 6 PSGRS FROM 4/503, 173RD ABN BDE. ALL ON BOARD WERE KILLED. CAUSE OF CRASH DETERMINED TO BE MECHANICAL FAILURE. HELO WAS COMPLETELY DEST.

B. ALL OTHER MAJOR OPNS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONT OR CHG OF MSG.

4. (C) IV CTZ: OPN CUU LONG 35/66 TERM 271430H. NO CHG IN RES FROM MY 270452Z TELECON.

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2. TASK ORGANIZATION
A. TG 76.5 AMPHIB READY GROUP CONSISTING OF PRINCETON (CTG 76.5)
HMM363, TACRON DET AND BJU DET EMB), ALAMO, PICKAWAY, WHITE RIVER,
BEALE.
B. SLF ASHORE UNDER OPCON CG TF DELTA. HMM363/ :7158, 73 758)8"3
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3. ACTIONS
A. TG 76.5 MAINTAINING STATION VIC THACH NAN RIVER MOUTH NORTH OF
QUANG TRI IN SUPPORT OF OPS ASHORE..

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B. SLF

IU(1) BLT 3/5 CONDUCTING S&D OPS IN HASTINGS.

(2) CASUALTIES

(A) DURING PERIOD - NONE.

(B) CUMULATIVE (DECK HOUSE II AND HASTINGS)

~~ENEMY [REDACTED]~~

5 CAPTURED.

~~WIA (ADJUSTED AS CONFIRMED)~~

(3) UNIT LOCATIONS (271700H)

BLT CP - XD 976585

CO I - XD 966589

CO K - XD 955598

CO L - XD 996593

CO M - XD 979594

105 BTRY - YD 115579

C. COMPHIBRON FIVE ARRIVED PRINCETON.

D. CG FIRST MAW AND CO MAG 16 VISITED CTGS 76.5/79.5 ABOARD

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4. INTENTIONS

A. INREP FROM ADUAS AM 28 JULY.

5. ACTIONS REQUIRED OF HIGHER AUTHORITY NONE.

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- C. CINCPAC 130448Z APRIL NOTAL

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1. IN ACCORDANCE WITH AUTHORITY PARA TWO REF A, UNODIR, EXECUTE FOLLOWING ARC LIGHT STRIKES IN THE ~~RELEVANT~~ PROVISIONS REF C. REMINING ARC LIGHT STRIKES IN DMZ REF B ARE APPROVED FOR

PLANNING:

TARGET	NICKNAME	TOI
QUANG TRI ONE-TWO-ONE	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX
QUANG TRI ONE-TWO-TWO	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX

2. FOR CINCSAC: REQUEST PROVIDE STRIKES PARA ONE ABOVE.

3. FOR COMUSMACV: CONCERNING STRIKES REF B. REQUIREMENTS REF C PARA 4C THAT TARGETS WHICH ARE LESS THAN ONE KILOMETER FROM NEEST NONX-COMBATANT DWELLINGS BE IDENTIFIED APPLIES TO

TARGET AREAS SOUTH OF THE DEMARICATION LINE. AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE STRIKES CONTAINED IN PARA 1 ABOVE IS CONTINGENT UPON THE REQUIREMENTS OF REF C HAVING BEEN MET. GP-3

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III MAF DAILY SITREP NR 208 FOR PD [REDACTED] H JULY 1966
I. OP SUMMARY
A. OP MACON. 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NAM PROV WITH [REDACTED] (AT 879540) OBS
CONTACT.) AT 271130H CO B/3/9 REINF WITH TANKS VIC (AT 88514), TKS FIRED 22
35 VC IN OPEN VIC (AT 88514), TKS FIRED 22
RDS 90MM, 80 RDS .30 CAL, 7 VC KIA (CONF), 5 VC KIA (PROB).
AT 271355H TKS REINF 3/9 OBS 1 VC VIC (AT 879509), FIRED 1
RD 90MM, 1 VC KIA (CONF). AT 271430H CO K OBS 6 VC VIC (AT
929484), FIRED SA, 1 VC KIA (CONF). AT 271430H TKS REINF
3/9 OBS 2 VC VIC (AT 865508), FIRED 2 RDS 90MM, 1 VC KIA
(PROB)
B. OP HASTINGS. TASK FORCE DELTA CONT OPS IN QUANG TRI
PROV WITH 7 INF BNS (2/4, 3/4, 2/1, 1/3, 3/5, 1/1, AND 2/9)
AND 3/12 MAR, 2 BTRYS OF 4/12, AND ONE 4/2 BTRY OF 1/11 AS
ARTY SPT; WITH 1ST MAR CMD GRP AND 1 BN ON CALL. AT 251645H
CO L/3/5 VIC (YD 011616) RECD 4 BREWS OF BONE CHEMICAL AGENT, NOT
AS SEVERE AS 08 OR 09 HRS EFFECTS LIMITED ONLY A COUPLE OF MINUTES.

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AT 271100H CO M/3/5 VIC (YD 014617) APPREHENDED 1 NVA WHO SURRENDERED HIMSELF.

C. OP FRANKLIN. 7TH MAR CONTINUED S&D OPS IN QUANG NGAI PROV WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 270655H H&S CO 2/7 VIC (BS 663888) APPREHENDED 1 VCS. AT 270810H CO E/2/7 VIC (BS 672-894) DISARMED BOOBY TRAPPED GREN. AT 270815H CO C/1/7 VIC (BS 667908) RECD SA FIRE FROM 3 VC, RTND SA FIRE WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 270847H CO A/1/7 VIC (BEE677922) CPTRD 72VC. AT 270942H CO H/2/7 VIC (BS 674889) RECD 1 SNIPER RD, 1 USMC KIA. AT 271435H CO C/1/7 RECD 250 RDS SA FROM 15 VC VIC (BS 718-919), RET 90 RDS SA, 21 RDS M-79, 4 VC KIA (PROB). AT 271530H CO A/1/7 VIC (BS 701930) FOUND MANY CAVES AND TUNNELS WITH CLOTHING, FOOD AND PUNJI STAKES, DEST PUNJI STAKES, TUNNEL, AND CVRES, CONFISCATED CLOTHING AND FOOD.

D. PLANS SUMMARY

- (1) OP MACON. 9TH MAMCONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NAM PROV.
 - (2) OP HASTINGS. TASK FORCE DELTA CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE.
 - (3) OP FRANKLIN. 7TH MAR CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NGAI PROV.
- E. MAJOR UNIT OPS:

PAGE FOUR DDKE 732 C O N F I D E N T I A L

(1) MACON: US LOSSES: 8 KIA, 49 WIA
ENEMY LOSSES: 201 KIA(CONF) (144 GND, 57 KBA)
408 KIA(PROB)(281 GND, 127 KBA)
5 WPNS, 26 VCS

CUM TAC AIRSTRIKE SORTIES: 22
CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUN FIRE: NONE
(2) HASTINGS: US LOSSES: 124 KIA, 445 WIA
ENEMY LOSSES: 670 KIA(CONF)(660 GND, 36 KBA)
861 KIA(PROB) 769 GND,
66 KBMTOWS, 26 KBA
12 NVAC
214 WPNS (189 IND, 25 CS)

CUM TAC AIRSTRIKE SORTIES: 863
CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUNFIRE: NONE
(3) FRANKLIN: US LOSSES: 1 KIA, 7 WIA
ENEMY LOSSES: 24 KIA (CONF)
5 KIA (PROB)
3 VCC, 14 VCS

CUM TAC AIRSTRIKE SORTIES: 8
CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUNFIRE: USS WHITE RIVER AND USS BEALE HAVE

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S E C R E T LIMDIS 25934 FROM: MACCOC2
SUBJ: ARC LIGHT STRIKE REQUEST (U)
REF: A. COMUSMACV 25933 DTG 280145Z (S)

1. (S) THIS MESSAGE REQUESTS APPROVAL OF THREE ARC LIGHT STRIKES LOCATED IN NORTH VIETNAM. TIMING WILL BE PROVIDED AT A LATER DATE.

2. (S) REQUEST APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING ARC LIGHT STRIKES: (REF A CONTAINS INTELLIGENCE JUSTIFICATION).

TARGET	UTM COORDINATES	ACFT
A. QUANG TRI NINTY	XD874967 RPT XD874967	SIX
SEVEN (XXXXXXXXXXXX)		(6)
	XD874981 RPT XD874981	
	XD858981 RPT XD858981	
	XD858967 RPT XD858967	
B. QUANG TRI NINETY	XD853939 RPT XD853939	SIX

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	XD856958 RPT XD856958	(6)
	XD864938 RPT XD864938	
	XD866957 RPT XD866957	
C. QUANG TRI ONE ZERO	XD865957 RPT XD865957	SIX
THREE (XXXXXXXXXXXX)		(6)

3. (S) THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION APPLIES TO ALL STRIKES LISTED IN PARA TWO ABOVE.

- A. WEAPONERING. N.E. MUNITIONS AT SAC'S DISCRETION, REQUEST 30:70 SURFACE TO SUBSURFACE.
- B. MAP SERIES L-7014, SCALE 1:50,000.
- C. FRIENDLY FORCES WILL BE NO CLOSER THAN THREE KILOMETERS TO ANY TARGET AT TOT.
- D. GROUND EXPLOITATION IS NOT SCHEDULED.
- E. IN REGARDS TO PROXIMITY OF HUTS AND HAMLETS, REF A APPLIES.
- F. RADAR HELICOPTER BEACON WILL NOT BE PROVIDED.
- G. ANEMB., SIGON HAS APPROVED OVERFLIGHT OF SVN

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2/4 (KSMC) LOC PHU BAI (YD881155) BUT CONT TO ACT AS TR D
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2. OPN MACON CONT WITH LIGHT CONTACT, AT 271100H
VIC (ATE82514) TWO TANKS FIRED ON 35 VC. RESULTS: 7 VC KIA.

3. OPN FRANKLIN/LIEN KET 50 CONT WITH LIGHT CONTACT.
USS WHITE RIVER FIRED ON VC ASSY AREA VIC (B5719806) RESULTS:

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18 VC KIA (CONF). MANY STRUCTURES DEST OR DAMAGED.
D. OPN HOA TUYEN 143 AN ARVN S/D OPN IN THUA THIEN
PROV (BT1448) COMMENCED 271100H JULY AND MADE CONTACT WITH EST
2 VC COS VIC (BT200461). CONTACT CONT THROUGHOUT THE DAY.
RESULTS: FRD: 5 KIA, 24 WIA; VC: 30 KIA, 1 VCC.
E. CUB RESULTS OF OPNS FOLLOW:

	FRIENDLY		MACON	FRANKLIN/LIEN KET 50	
	HASTINGS/LAM SON 289A	ARVN		US	ARVN
KIA	124	21	8	1	
WIA	445	26	49	9	
MIA					
		VIET CONG	201	26	
KIA	753		1	8	
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MIA					
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RUMSARB/OL 21 BIEN HOA
RUMFAGP/39 TFW DANANG
RUMSA/OL 22 NPLEIKU
INFO RUMSAGP/64 TFS DANANG
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S T C R E T LINDIS/TACC-P 84022 JUL 66. JCS FOR J-, CSAF FOR AFXOP.
SUBJECT: YAF TAC-P ARG LIGHT FRAG ORDER THIN MARE CNNIII PARTS (U).
PART 1

- A. NICKNAME: THIN MARE I AND III
B. CALL SIGN: LKE
C. REFERENCE: 7-11253
D. ACFT: F-4E AND F-4C: 19/10-52
E. MISSION: SATURATION BOMBING IN I CORPS
F. ORDNANCE: 20/500 LB DENO AND 34/1000 LB GP BOMBS PER AIRCRAFT.
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SPEED 400 KNOTS, (FOUR FOUR ZERO).

2. TARGET COORDINATES: THIN MARE I

XD 999 772
 YD 005 781
 YD 032 749
 YD 038 759

THIN MARE III

YD 008 717
 YD 008 727
 YD 037 727
 YD 037 717

TARGET CENTER LOCATED YD 019 744 (YANKEE DELTA ZERO ONE NINE SEVEN

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FOUR FOUR) 00N306 DEGREES/15 NM (THREE ZERO SIX/ONE FIVE) DONGHA
 TACAN. DESIRED BOMBER TRACK 294 DEGREES (TWO NINE FOUR). BOMBING
 ALTITUDE - FL 350 THRU FL 380 IN TWO WAVES.

3. IFF/SIF WILL BE IAW CINCPAC INSTRUCTION J-612380. MODE III
 WILL BE OUT VADIZ TO VADIZ.

4. AIRCRAFT WILL MONITOR UHF CONTROLLING GCI FREQUENCY PLUS
 GUARD. RADIO SILENCE WILL BE MAINTAINED EXCEPT WHEN CONTACTED BYNA
 CONTROL AGENCY USING AN AUTHENTICATED BREAK RADIO SILENCE CONTROL
 WORD. UHF MAY BE USED AS NECESSARY TO INSURE SAFETY AND SUCCESS
 OF MISSION.

5. STORMY WEATHER TRANSMITTED BY GCI INDICATES PRESENT COURSE
 WILL RESULT IN A POSSIBLE CAMBODIAN BORDER VIOLATION.

6. CODE WORD VALDOSTA WILL BE TRANSMITTED IF NECESSARY TO
 INDICATE MIG WARNING.

7. SAC RECALL AND BREAK RADIO SILENCE CODE WILL BE MADE
 AVAILABLE TO 7AF TAC-CC COORDINATOR.

8. INADVERTANT RELEASE CODE: HANDLE BAR.

9. I BASS AND PANAMA CONTROL WILL INSTRUCT ARMY AVIATION ELEMENTS
 AND OTHER AIRCRAFT OPERATING IN THE AREA TO REMAIN CLEAR OF TARGET
 AREA BY FIVE KILOMETERS UNTIL NO BOMBS AFTER TIME. WARNING WILL

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BE TRANSMITTED ON ALL CONTROLLERS FREQUENCIES PLUS GUARD TEN
 MINUTES PRIOR TO TOE. "NOTIFICATION WILL BE AN ADVISORY GIVEN IN
 THE SAME MANNER AS OTHER ARTILLERY WARNINGS".

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FOR TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

11. FOLLOWING REPORTS WILL BE FORWARDED TO TAC-CO COORDINATOR FOR RELAY TO COMUSMACV.

- (A) -RAY REPORT: Z TIME AND POSITION OF BOMBER FORCE AT THE TIME OF INITIAL CONTACT AND EST Z TIME FIRST NAFT OVER TARGET, BASED ON GROUND RADAR PLOT PROVIDED IMMEDIATELY BY PANAMA CONTROL.
- (B) YORK REPORT: Z TIME FIRST BOMBER THROUGH TARGET AREA BASED ON GROUND RADAR PLOT PROVIDED BY WATERBOY/PANAMA CONTROL.
- (C) ZEBRA REPORT: Z TIME OF LAST BOMBER THROUGH TARGET AREA BASED ON GROUND RADAR PLOT PROVIDED IMMEDIATELY BY WATERBOY/PANAMA CONTROL.

PART II

- A. UNITS: 628 TCS PANAMA INFO 35TH TFW COC
- B. ACFT: 4/F-102
- C. MISSION: AIR COVER
- D. ORD: AS REQUIRED

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E. TOT: 29/0500L TO 29.0540L

F. CONTROL: PANAMA

G. FOUR AIRCRAFT FROM AIR DEFENSE POSTURE WILL BE SCRAMBLED BY PANAMA CONTROL. TWO WILL BE PLACED ON CAP AT 1700N 10730E AND TWO WILL BE PLACED ON CAP AT 1700N 10630E. ORBIT ALTITUDE 41,000 FEET. THE TWO ONE HOUR ACFT WILL BE BROUGHT UP TO 5 MIN ALERT WHILE THE OTHER TWO FLIGHTS ARE AIRBORNE.

H. THERE WILL BE NO FRIENDLY INTERCEPTS ON PROPERLY IDENTIFIED ARC LIGHT AIRCRAFT.

I. PANAMA CONTROL WILL CONTACT TACC DEFENSE DUTY OFFICER AND ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THIS MESSAGE.

PART III

J. SKY SPOT AT PLIKU WILL BE USED FOR SIMULATED BOMB RUNS AFTER LIVE BOMB RELEASE.

K. TACTICS:

1. PIP 1533N 10805E AT 29/0526L

TP 1452N 10716E

IP 1444N 10835E

YGT 14-00-05N 109-2-03E

2. FORCE: 9/052 FIRST AND THIRD CELLS OF FIRST WAVE AND FIRST

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CELL OF SECOND WAVE.

S. RAIS: 115 DEGREE NONE ONE THREE

G. CONTROL:

1. CALL SIGN: PEARLHUNT

2. FREQUENCIES: PRI 344.7, SEC 343.6

3. IFFXSI MODE ONE/THREE THREE FROM PIP TO BOMBS AWAY.

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ARC LIGHT (U)

- A. COMUSMACV MACC002 26016/281101Z (NOTAL)
- B. COMUSMACV MACC002 26017/281106Z (NOTAL)
- C. COMUSMACV MACC002 25601/251015Z (NOTAL)
- D. COMUSMACV MACC002 23847/120420Z (NOTAL)
- E. CINCPAC 130448Z APRIL (NOTAL)

1. EXECUTE THE FOLLOWING ARC LIGHT STRIKES IAW REFS A, B, C, D AND E IN EVENT THIN MARE STRIKES ARE STILL IN ABEYANCE.

TARGET	NICKNAME	TOT
QUANG TRI ONE ZERO FOUR B	SHORT STICK THREE	2921XXZ
QUANG TRI ONE ZERO SIX A	SHORT STICK SIX	2921XXZ
QUANG TRI ONE ZERO SIX B	SHORT STICK SEVEN	2921XXZ
QUANG NAM TWENTY-EIGHT A	BLUE SEA FOUR	292145Z

2. FOR INCSAC/ REQUEST PROVIDE STRIKES IAW PARA 1.

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CTG SEVEN SEVEN
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GUMNVE T CG 1 XFORCEV
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1. DECK HOUSE II (U) SIREN ~~REDACTED~~ 281400Z.
2. TASK ORGANIZATION
 - A. TG 76.5 AMPHIB READY GROUP CONSISTING OF PRINCETON (CTG 76.5), HMM363, TACRON DET AND BJU DET EMB), ALAMO, PICKAWAY, WHITE RIVER, BEALE.
 - B. SLF ASHORE UNDER OPCON TF DELTA. HMM363 CONTINUES UTILIZE PRINCETON AS OP BASE.
3. ACTIONS
 - A. TG 76.5 MAINTAINING STATION VIC THACH HAN RIVER MOUTH NORTH OF QUANG TRI IN SUPPORT OF OPS ASHORE.

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B. SLF

- P (1) BLT 3/5 CONDUCTING OPS IN ASSIGNED AREA.
- (2) CASUALTIES
 - (A) DURING PERIOD - NONE.
 - (B) CUMULATIVE (DECKHOUSE II AND HASTINGS)

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URED.

4. INTENTIONS

- A. CONTINUE TO SUPPORT OPS ASHORE.
 - B. COMPHIBRON FIVE TO RELIEVE COMPHIBRON SEVEN AS CTG 76.5 AM
- 29 JULY IAW COMPHIBFAC LTR 3000 SER 32-0366 OF 24 JUN 66 (NOTAL).

5. ACTIONS REQUIRED BY HIGHER AUTHORITY - NONE

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ARC LIGHT (U)

- A. COMUSMACV MACCOC2 25934/280200Z
- B. COMUSMACV MACCOC2 25933/280145Z
- C. JCS 7719/280039Z

1. REF A REQUESTS THREE ARC LIGHT STRIKES WILD PONY ONE, TWO AND THREE, AGAINST THE JUNCTION OF ROUTE 101 AND 103 WHICH ARE IMPORTANT NORTH-SOUTH ROUTES USED FOR INFILTRATION INTO SVN. REF B CONTAINS ADDITIONAL INTELLIGENCE JUSTIFICATION.

2. RECOMMEND THESE STRIKES BE CONSIDERED FOR APPROVAL IN CONJUNCTION WITH THIN MARE ONE AND TWO, AND ROUND LAKE ONE. REF C PERTAINS.

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SUBJECT: EXECUTION MESSAGE (U)
REFS: A. COMUSMACV 25873/271120Z JULY 66
B. JCS 5453/051657Z MARCH 1966
1. (S) ARC LIGHT MISSIONS THIN MARE IV AND V (TARGETS
QUANG TRI 122, 123) AND ROUND LAKE IV AND VI (TARGETS
QUANG TRI 127, 129) APPROVED EXECUTION ACCORDANCE PRO-

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VISIONS REF A PROVIDED IMPACT AREAS ARE CHANGED AS
NECESSARY TO BE ENTIRELY WITHIN THAT PORTION OF THE DMZ
SOUTH OF THE LINE OF DEMARCATION.

2. (S) PROVISIONS REF B APPLY EXCEPT SUBPARA 4H IS
CHANGED TO READ QUOTE INSURE NO OVERFLIGHT OF CAMBODIA AND
LAOS. MINIMUM FEASIBLE PENETRATION INTO NVN AND THE DMZ
AT OR ABOVE 25,000 FEET, AS NECESSARY FOR DESIRED PRE/
POST TARGET FLIGHT PATH IS AUTHORIZED UNQUOTE.

3. (S) REMAINING STRIKES, REQUESTED ON REF A AND
LOCATED IN THAT PORTION OF THE DMZ NORTH OF THE LINE OF
DEMARCATION AND IN NVN CLOSE TO THE DMZ, ARE DISAPPROVED.
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MMSB/CG FMFPALDI MAC (FWD)
ZEN/CG FIELD FORCE ONE NHA FVANG RVN
ZEN/CG FIELD FORCE TWO BIEN HOA RVN
ZEN/CG ROK FV
MMSUV/CTF SEVEN SIX
ZEN/CG THIRD MARDIV
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III MAF DAILY SITREP P NR. 209 FOR PD. 280001-282400H JULZP1966

1. OPN SUMMARY.

A. OP MACON. 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NAM PROV WITH
LIGHT CONTACT.

B. OP HASTINGS. TAETFFOJYE DELTA CONT OPS IN QUANG TRI
PROV WITH 7 INF BNS (2/4, 3/4, 2/1, 1/3, 3/5, 1/1, AND 2/9)
AND 3/12 MAR, 2 BTRYs OF 4/12, AND ONE 4.2 646 91 1/11 AS ARTY
SPT; WITH 1ST MAR CMD GRP AND 1 BN ON CF

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AT 280830H RECON TEAM OBS 15 NYAH8: (XD 929528), CALLED IN
ARTY MSN, THEN OBS MUCH LARGONGROUP NVA VIC (XD 989:22)
CALLED IN AIR STRIKE, 65 NVA KIA (CONF) (15 ARTY, 50 BMA),
20 NVA WIA (CONF). AT 281215H CO M/3/5 FOUND A CACHE OF
GEAR VIC (XD 990593), 1 BAYONET SCABBARD, 1 MAP CASE, 4
BLANKETS, 55 SWEATSHIRTSJE QM SETS KHAKI UNIFORMS, 18 UNDER-
DRAWERS, 4 PAIR OF SOCKS, 5 RICEHCAGS, 35 HAMMOCKS, 2 PAIR
SNEAKERS, 1 CANTEEN, 1 AMMO MAG, 150/7.62 RDS, 40 FT DET
CORD, 200 LBS TNT, 84 TROUSERS, 9 HAND GRENS, 5 BAGS MED

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SUPPLIES.

C. OP FRANKLIN. 7TH MAR CHGK S&D OPS ITQUANG NGAINR PROV WITH LIGHT CONT

ACT. AT 280830H 1/7 VIC (BS 712958)
UNPREPENDED 1 VRS. AT 281130H CO H VIC (BS 763858) APPREHENDED 1 VCS. AT 281540H CO H DET BOOBY TRAP, 2 USMC KIA, 3 USMC WIA (MED EVAC). AT 280930H SWIFT BOAT VIC (&S 7778) OBS 5 VC FLEEING IN SAMPAN FIRED WARNING SHOTS, THEN FIRED ON BOAT, 1. & ; (8- (CONF).

D. PLANS SUMMARY

- (1) OP MACON. 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NAM PROV.
- (2) OP HASTINGS. TAK FORCE DELTA CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE.

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BKLN. 7TH MAR CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NGAI PROV.

E. MAJOR UNIT OPS:

- (1) OP MACON: NO CHANGE
- (2) HASTINGS: US LOSSDW: 124 KIA, 445 WIA

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TY LOSSES: 762 KIA (CONF) (676 GND, 86 KBA20
861 KIA (PRL) (769 GCK,

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66 KBMTONS, 26 -KBA)

12 NVAC

214 WPNS (189 IND, 25 CS)

CUM TAC AIRSTRIKE SORTIES: 933

CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUNFIRE: NONE

(3) -FRANKLIN: US LOSSES: 3 KIA, 8 WIA

ENEMY LOSSES:

001 KIA (CONF)

115 KIA (PROB)

384 VCGSNSE 15 VCS

CUM TAC AIRSTRIKE SORTIES: 8

CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUNFUSE: USS WHITE RIVER AND USS BEALE HAVE FIRED 22 MSNS FOR A DAVUEST OF 73 STRUC DEST, 119 STRUC DAM,

NS DEST 9 ? 15 (AM, AND 23 VCTOKIA (CONF).

DIGL FRIEEELY INITIATED SMALL UNIT CONTACTS: 15

PROV/COORD DTG

FRYUNIT/LOSSES EN UNIT/LOSSES ACTION

QUANG TIN

BT 255085	280750H (D)	D1/RECON/NONE	UNK/NONE	OP
BT 258084	280837H (1-579-	D/1/RECON/NONE	UNK/NONDD	OP
BTNA224075	281030H (D)	1/RECON/NONE	UNK/NONE	OP
BT 249082	280445H (D) 55	D/1/RECON/NONE	UNK/UNK	OP

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BT 251148- 281815H (D) A/1/RECON/NONSB UNK/2 KIA OP
 QUANG NGA I
 BS 569915 271025H (D) M/3/7/NONE UNK/1 VCS PTL
 BS
 Y00QT 27111H (D) &M/77/ SNE XFUNK/2 VCS PTL
 BS 570943 271800H (D) L/3/7/NONE SH UNK/2 VCS PTL
 BS 537943 27221H (N) 1/3/7/NONE UNK/UMK DEF
 BS 497948 281515H (D) 1/3/7/NONE UNK/1 KIA, 2 VCSWHN PTL
 RXBS 484888 281320H (D) B/1/RSSIYEUYNONE UNK/NONE OP
 \$ 571917 282115H ?SN) M/3/76)NONE UN/NONE AMB
 BS 549930 282135H (D) 1/3/7/NONE UNK/NONE OP

QUANG NAM
 AT 994575 281300H (D) H/2/9/NONE UNK/UNK PTL
 AT 935591 281500H (D) G/3/NONE UNK/12 VCS PTL

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PART 1 - US FORCES**

C. OBJECTIVES

PROVINCE	LOCATIONMC	TYPE	NAME	INIT/TERM
C1 QUANG NAM	(AT 975515)	S&D	MACON	041500H/CONT
C2 QUANG TRI	(XD 998001)	S&D	HI HASTINGS	PUQYPPH/CONT
C3 QUANG NGA I	(AT 971515)	S&D	FRANKLIN	260715H/CONT

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D. FORCES

UNIT	OBJ	INIT/TERM	INIT BY	AIRSPT	NGF
D1 9TH MAR	C1	280800H/281730H	US	NONE	NONE
D2 TF DELTA	C2	21:800H/282300H	US	47/A-4 USMC	NONE
RH				13/F-4 USMC	
7TH MAR	C3	280830H/281600H	US	19/F-8 USMC	
				HOONE SQ	4 MSNS

K. LOSSES/:-.

K1. ENEMY LOSSES

UNIT	SIYE/UNIT ID	KIA/VCC	WPNS	AMMO
D1	UNK/UNK	NONE	NONE	NONE
D2	UNK/UNK	65/0	NONE	ZNONE
D3	UNK/UNK	2,20	NONE	NONE

VE3. FRIENDLY LOSSES

UNIT	SIZE/UNIT ID	KIA/WIA/CPTD/MIA	WPNS	AMMO
D1	UNK/UNK	NONE	NONE	NONE
J W	UNK/UNK	NONE	NONE	NONE
Q3	UNK/UNK	2/3/0/0		

15. TOTAL FRIENDLY UTITIATED SMALL UNIT ACTIMES WITHOUT CONTACT: 376 GP-4
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ARC LIGHT (U)

A. COMUSMACV MACCOC2 25873/271120Z

B. CINCPAC 272246Z

C. CINCPAC 280238Z

D. CINCPAC 130448Z APR

1. ARC LIGHT STRIKES REF A LOCATED IN THAT PORTION OF THE DMZ NORTH OF THE LINE OF DEMARCATION AND IN NVN CLOSE TO THE DMZ ARE DISAPPROVED. CANCEL REF B AND C.

2. PROVIDE IMPACT AREAS OF STRIKES THIN MARE FOUR AND FIVE AND ROUND LAKE FOUR AND SIX CAN BE ADJUSTED SO AS TO BE ENTIRELY IN THAT PORTION OF THE DMZ SOUTH OF THE LINE OF DEMARCATION, THESE STRIKES ARE APPROVED FOR EXECUTION IAW REF D. SUBMIT ADJUSTMENTS AND DESIRED TOTS. GP-3.

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Subj: Public Affairs Guidance Arc Light Strikes in Demilitarized Zone

Ref (a) JCS 7818 dtg 282305Z Jul 66
(b) State 13903
(c) Saigon 2093

1. Reference A directs Arc Light strikes against DMZ. References B and C discuss general considerations which must be taken into account when news of these strikes is released. Present message constitutes public affairs guidance for subject Arc Light strikes only. Guidance on other actions in DMZ under review.

2. Initial announcement will be made in Saigon in same fashion as used B-52 strikes in South Vietnam, announcing

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REF B ⁷⁵⁷⁻³ IS IN 19788
REF C IS IN 19976

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that the NNS strike was in Quang-Tri province. If further queried as to whether strike was in DMZ, the answer is yes, in the southern half of the DMZ.

3. Briefer should make clear he realized this is news story and he has no desire downplay it, but it should be equally clear that strike is not intended as escalation. Briefer should stress illegal use of DMZ by enemy to support his aggression against SVN and document charge by appropriate references to numerous GVN protests to ICC and by recalling recent confirmation of presence 324B Division PAVN which crossed DMZ.

4. No comment on future operations.

5. Key guidance point is that US does not intend strike as an escalatory measure and that US is responding to previous moves in this area by NVN.

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SUBJ: ARC LIGHT STRIKE REQUEST (U)

- REF: A. JCS 7818 DTG 282305Z (S) (NOTAL) *JE*
- B. COMUSMACV 25873 DTG 271120Z (S) *17518*
- C. COMUSMACV 26016 DTG 281101Z (S) *17190*

1. (S) REF A APPROVED EXECUTION OF THIN MARE FOUR AND FIVE (REF B) AS LONG AS IMPACT AREAS ARE WITHIN THAT PORTION OF THE DMZ SOUTH OF THE LINE OF DEMARCATION.
2. (S) THIS MESSAGE REQUESTS CINCPAC EXECUTION APPROVAL OF THIN MARE FOUR AND FIVE AND COMPLY WITH THE INSTRUCTIONS IN REF A. IN ADDITION, THIN MARE FOUR AND FIVE HAVE BEEN COMBINED INTO ONE TARGET FOR PURPOSES OF TACTICS AND HAS A CLEARANCE OF ONE KILOMETER FROM ALL HUTS. IN VIEW OF THE URGENCY IN STRIKING THE TARGET

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INFO. CJCS-1 DJS-3 SJCS-1 J3-8 JRC-3 SECDEF-3 ASD/ISA-5 DIA-20 CSA-1 CNO-1
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 DELINEATED IN PARA THREE BELOW, REQUEST ARC LIGHT STRIKES SHORT
 STICK THREE, SIX AND SEVEN (TOT 292110Z RPT 292110Z) BE PLACED IN
 ABEYANCE FOR FUTURE SCHEDULING (REF C APPLIES).
 3. (S) REQUEST EXECUTION APPROVAL OF THE ARC LIGHT STRIKE
 OUTLINED BELOW: (REF B CONTAINS TACTICS, EXCEPT AS INDICATED
 BELOW).

TARGET	UTM COORDINATES	ACFT	TOT
A. QUANG TRI	YD 014697 RPT YD 014697	FIFTEEN	292110Z JULY
ONE THREE ONE		(15)	RPT
(THIN MARE FOUR	YD 022671 RPT YD 022671		2992110Z JULY
AND FIVE)			
	YD 036700 RPT YD 036700		
	YD 042674 RPT YD 042674		

(1) SUBJECT TO EXECUTION APPROVAL, THIS MESSAGE
 CONSTITUTES CONFIRMATION. DO NOT RELEASE ANY BOMBS AFTER 292145Z
 RPT 292145Z.

E. THERE ARE NO NON-COMBATANTS IN THE HUTS LOCATED ON THE
 SOUTH EAST EDGE OF THE TARGET BOX. THERE ARE NO OTHER HUTS
 LOCATED WITHIN ONE KILOMETER OF THE TARGET BOX.

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S E C R E T SECTION ONE OF FOUR
III MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY NR. 209 FOR PD 280001-282400H JUL66
1. OPERATIONS.

A. OP NCCON. AT 280800H CO M/3/9 RECD 5 RDS SA FIRE FROM VICHNKAT 935524), CALLED 24 RDS 81MM WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 281111H CO K/3/9 VIC (AT 928492) RECD 20 RDS SA FROM VIC (AT 485), CALLED IN 81MM AND 60MM WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 281245H

PAGE TWO DDKE 821 **S E C R E T**
DX/3/9 OP VIC (AT 935485) OBS 12 VC VIC (AT 929486) CALLED IN 81MM WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 281720H CO K/3/9 SQD PTL VIC (AT 9284492) RECD 2 RDS SA FROM VCGHQ (AT 904497) RTND JDWS AND 6 M-72 RDS WITH NEG RESULTS. US LOSSES: 8 KIA, 49 WIA
ENEMY LOSSES: 201 KIA(CONF)(144 GNJMN TU KBA)
408 KIA(PROB)(281 GND, 127 KBA)
5/-20, 26 VCS
BWWOH

HASTINGH HUY 280830H RECON TEAM OBS 15 NVA VIC (XD 929528), CALLED IN ARTY MSN, THEMBOBS MURS LARGER GROUP NVA VIC (XD 919522) CALLED IN AIR STRIKE, 65 NVA KIA(CONF)(15 ARTY, 50 N. & 50 KBA), & 5); 7528-(CONF). AT 281215H CO M/3/5 FOUND CACHYONEBEBE88H0B0RNXD 8905930E,
4 BLANKETS, 55 SWEATSHIRTS, 12 SETS KHAKI UNARMS, 18 UNDER DRAWERS, 4 PAIR SOCKS, 5 RICE BAGS, 35 HAMMOCKS, 2 PAIR SNEAKERS, 1 CANTEEN, 1 AMMO MAG, 150/7.62 RDS, 40 FT DET CORD, 200 LBS TNT, 84 TROUSERS, 9 HAND GRENS, 5 BAGS MED SUPPLIES. AT 281400H HEL VIC (XD 98759)9 RECD 20 RDS SA FIRE, HEL RTND FIRE WITH NEG RESULTS. AT 282100H CO H/267 VIC (XD 97 SA FIRE FROM (XD 969573), CALLED IN 60MM WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 281605H CO L/3/5 RECD SA FIRE FROM VIC (XD 965693) CALLED IN

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C O N F I D E N T I A L CCN 26084
% (C) 1 CTZ.

A. OPN HASTINGS/LAM SON 289A CONT WITH NO SIGNIFICANT
CONTACT SINCE MY 282155Z. 30 AND 4TH VN MARINE BNS COMMITTED
IN LAM SON 289A AT 280800H.

B. OPN MACON CONT WITH NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT.

C. OPN FRANKLIN/LIEN KET 50 CONT WITH NO SIGNIFICANT
CONTACT.

	HASTINGS/ LAM SON 289A		MACON	FRANKLIN/ LIEN KET 50	
	US	ARVN		US	ARVN
KIA	125	21	8	3	
WIA	445	26	49	10	
			VIET CONG		
KIA	818		201	30	
VCC	13		1	4	
VCS			26	15	
IND WPNS	213		4		
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2. (C) III CTZ.

A. OPN PAUL REVERE CONT W/MOD CONTACT. ELN OF 1714 ENGAGED 12 - 15 VC AT 281645H VIC YA849050. RES: FRD: 1 KIA, 9 WIA; VC: 7 KIA (BC). VC BROKE CONTACT 1945H. REF MY 281216Z JULY PARA 2 A, VC BROKE CONTACT 281345H. RES: FRD: 6 CIDG KIA, 6 CIDG WIA; VC UNK.

B. OPN HENRY CLAY CONT W/O CONTACT. 1/8 DAV (-) CLOSED AN KHE 281755H.

C. ALL OTHER OPNS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT OR CHANGE IN MSN.

D. AT 281910H ONE UH1B CRASHED VIC YB717366. CAUSE - MECH FAILURE. RES: 2 US INJURED, 2 US MIA. SEARCH CONT.

E. CUM RES OF OPNS IN PROGRESS FOLLOWS. CASUALTIES FOR OPN SU BOK ARE ADJUSTED FIGURES.

	HAYES	HENRY CLAY	PAUL REVERE	JOHN PAUL JONES	SU BOK
	US	US	US/VM/TOT	US/ROK/TOT	ROK
KIA	0	1	63/16/79	4/0/4	21
WIA	0	20	301/41/342	4/0/4	67
MIA	0	0	2/10/12	0/0/0	0
			VIET CONG		
KIA	0	35	532/76/608	6/38/44	265
VCC	0	7	66/6/72	0/2/2	29
VCS	0	12	9/5/14	5/27/35	122
IND WPNS	3	82	274/15/229	6/29/35	78
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XS WPNS	0	2	16/0/16	0/0/0	2
AIR SORTIES	0	202	644	51	518
NGF	N/A	N/-	,/A	9	0

3. (C) III CTZ.

A. OPN HOBART TERM 281900H. OPN HOBART II BEGAN 281900H. SAME AO, UNIT & MISSION. OPN HOBART II WILL NOT BE FURTHER REPT UNLESS SIGNIFICANT CONTACT IS MADE.

B. ALL OPNS CONTINUE W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT.

C. CUM RESULTS:

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1. DECK HOUSE II (GKU) SITREP NR 33 AS OF 290200Z.
 2. TASK ORGANIZATION
 - A. TG 76.5 (-.0) HIB READY GROUP CONSISTION OF PRINCETON (CTG 76.5, TACRON DET AND BJU DET EMB), ALAMO, PICKAWAY, CARRONADE, BEALE.
 - B. SLF ASHORE UNDER OPCON TF DELTA, HMM 363 CONTINUES TO UTILIZE PRINCETON ASOP BASE.
 3. ACTIONS
 - A. TG 76.5 MAINTAINING STATION VIC THACH HAN RIVER MOUTH NORTH OF QUANG TRI IN SUPPORT OF OPS ASHORE.
 - B. COMMENCED HELO BACKLOAD 155 HOWITZERS AT 290800H.
 - C. CLF

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- (1) BLT 3/5 CONDUCTING S&D OPS IN ASSIGNED AREA.
- (2) OPERATIONS
 - (A) D5 3/5 LOCATED AN 8MILE TRAIL TH

IS AN OBVIOUS MAIN
SUPPLY ROUTE. COMM WIRE HAS BEEN LAID ALONG THIS TRAIL BY THE NVA FROM
SBSEFQQYQI (HILL 362) RUNNING GENERALLY WEST ALONG THR RCYAE LINE.

(3) CASUALTIE

(A) CUMULATIVE (DECKHOUSASS -, \$ -58, &)

ENEMY - 155 KIA, 164 KIA (PROB), 6WIA (PROB), 5 CAPTURED.
USMC- 52 KIA, 155 WIA (ADJUSTED AS CONFIRMED)

D. COMPHIBRON FIVE RELIEVED COMPHIBRON SEVEN AS CTG 76.5 AT 282200Z.

4. INTENTIONS

A. COORDINATE WITH TF DELTA ON WITHDRAWAL PLAN AND CHOP OF LSF TO
CTG 76.5.

B. UNREP PM 29 JULY FROM CACAPON.

5. ACTION REQUIRED BY HIGHER AUTHORITY..

A. FOR CTF 76:

EXTEND SPECOPS PERIOD TO 30 JULY AND SCHEDULE OFFLOAD
PERIOD 31 JULY TO 2 AUGUST.

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FOR COMMANDER. 7AF FOR SACLO. 13AFCC PASS

TO CLAYARE. 4252SW FOR KADENA TANKER TASK FORCE

COMMANDER. SUBJECT: (U) 3AD FRAG ORDER 149-67.

REFERENCES:

1. GAK OPLAN 52-66 SUPPLEMENT ONE AS AMENDED.

3. 3AIRDIV SUPPLEMENT ONE TO REFERENCE A.

2. COMUSMACV MSG 26060 29/0215Z JUL 66.

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- D. 3AIRDIV REG (55 SERIES - CREW INSTRUCTIONS)
 E SACM 55-20, VOLUME IX.
 PART I OF XII PARTS.
 A. MISSION NICKNAME IS THIN MARE IV AND V
 BB. DESIRED TOT IS 29/2110Z
 C. BEACON WILL NOT BE USED.
 D. FORCE COMPOSITION:

1. B-52 AIRCRAFT 15 PRIMARY
 2 MANNED GROUND
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 SPARES
2. KC-135 AIRCRAFT 15 PRIMARY
 2 GROUND SPARES
 2 STRIP ALERT AT
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- PART II. BOMBER ROUTES AND ALTITUDES.
 A. 3AIRDIV COMMON ROUTES TO POINT JULIET
 B. AT POINT JULIET ADJUST ALTITUDES TO
 BOMB RUN MSL ALTITUDES AS FOLLOWS:

CELLS	ALTITUDES
RED, WHITE, BLACK	33,000
BLUE, GREEN	35,000

C ROUTE FROM JULIET

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|------------|-----------------------|
| TO TP | 14-23N 111-07E. |
| TO A2 | 14-07N 109-47E. |
| TO A3 | 15-39N 108-53E |
| TO PIP | 16-13N 108-46E. |
| TO IP | 16-48N 107-56E. |
| TO MID TGT | 16-53-33N 106-54-17E. |
- HOLD BOMB RUN HEADING 30 SECONDS AFTER
 RELEASE THEN LEFT TURN 30 DEGREE
 BANK.
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|---------|-----------------|
| TO TP | 15-33N 108-05E. |
| TO TP | 14-52N 108-16E. |
| TO TP | 14-20N 109-32E |
| TO LIMA | 14-40N 111-00E. |
- BOMB RUN ALTITUDE WILL BE MAINTAINED TO POINT

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D. THE PRE-TARGET TIMING TRIANGLE:

POINT	COORDINATES
TP	14-23N 111-07E
ALFA 2	14-07N 109-47E
ALFA 1	13-59N 109-06E
ALFA 3	15-39N 108-53E

PART III: FORCE TIMING.

A. AIRCRAFT WILL BE LAUNCHED WITH 4 MINUTES BETWEEN CELL LEADERS. COMPRESSION TACTICS WILL BE UTILIZED.

B. TARGET TIMING.

1. THIN MARE IV-V FIRST TOT DESIRED AT 29/2110Z.

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2. LAST PLANNED TOT 29/2136Z.

3. NO MOMBS WILL BE RELEASED AFTER 29/2145Z

C. LAUNCH AND ENROUTE TIMING. ALL TIMES ARE ZULU.

FIRST PLANNED B-52 LANDING IS 30/0240Z.

(1) GLASS TOP AR AREA PRIMARY

CELL T. O.	FAN	CR	PT	PIP	TPT
COLOR TIME	PT	PLAN	JULIET		
RED 29/1510	1829	ANDYS	2000	2054	29/2110Z
BLUE 1514	1833	BILLN	2003	2057	29/2113Z
WHITE 1518	1837	CLAUDE/S	2008	2102	29/2118Z
GREEN 1532	1851	DUKEN	2022	2116	29/2132Z
BLACK 1536	1855	EDS	2025	2119	29/2135Z

PART IV. AIR REFUELING:

A. TWO TANKERS FROM THIN MARE IV & V WILL BE DESIGNATED

BY TANKER AIRBORNE COMMANDER TO LAND AT CLARK AB FOR IMMEDIATE TURN AROUND BOTH OF THESE

ACFT WILL USE AR AREA SPECIFIED BY SUBSEQUENT MESSAGE. PLANNED PASSAGE FOR BOMBERS:

AREA	1ST ACFT	LAST ACFT
PT LIMA	29/2154Z	29/2220Z
AR AREA (4) FOUR	29/2255Z	29/2333Z
AR AREA (5) FIVE	29/2337Z	30/0015Z

PART V. FUEL CONSIDERATIONS

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A. REFUELING ONLOADS AND ESTIMATED RESERVES:				
AREA	CELLACFT	ONLOAD	TKR RES	RCVR RES
CLASS				
TOP	ALL	65M	40M	31.3M

PART VI: TACTICS AND BOMBING DATA.

A. (1) BOMBING FORMATION: IFC PRIMARY
 (2) BOMBING ALTITUDE: COMPUTE BALLISTICS FOR
 MK-82 CELL LEADERS MAINTAIN 33,000
 AND 35,000 FT MSL.
 (3) SPEED: 440 KTAS.
 (4) DESIRED TRAKK OF TRAIN: 275 DEGREES.

B. EMERGENCY BOMBING PROCEDURES AUTHORIZED.

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C. TARGET DATA (THIN MARE FOUR AND FIVE).

COMPUTE FIRST IMPACT ON THE FOLLOWING DESIRED POINTS OF IMPACT (DPI):

RED CELL, ALL AIRCRAFT; GREEN AND BLACK CELLS, AIRCRAFT NUMBER ONE
 DPI NUMBER ONE: 16-53-15N (ONE SIX-FIVE THREE-ONE FIVE NORTH) 106-
 54-28E (ONE ZERO SIX-FIVE FOUR-TWO EIGHT EAST), ELEVATION 295' (TWO
 NINE FIVE FEET).

BLUE CELL, ALL AIRCRAFT; GREEN AND BLACK CELLS, AIRCRAFT NUMBER TWO;
 DPI NUMBER TWO: 16-53-32N (ONE SIX-FIVE THREE-THREE TWO NORTH) 106-
 54-24E (ONE ZERO SIX-FIVE FOUR-TWO FOUR EAST), ELEVATION 180' (ONE
 EIGHT ZERO FEET).

WHITE CELL, ALL AIRCRAFT GREEN AND BLACK CELLS, AIRCRAFT NUMBER

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THREE: DPI NUMBER THREE: 16-53-51N (ONE SIX-FIVE THREE-FIVE ONE NORTH) 106-54-20E (ONE ZERO SIX-FIVE FOUR-TWO ZERO EAST), ELEVATION 246" (TWO FOUR SIX FEET).
ESTIMATED OAP/CEP IS 1100" (ONE ONE ZERO ZERO FEET).

D. BRIC SETTINGS:

RED CELL, ALL AIRCRAFT GREEN AND BLACK CELLS, AIRCRAFT NUMBER ONE: INTERNAL 100" (ONE ZERO ZERO FEET), EXTERNAL 120" (ONE TWO ZERO FEET). BLUE CELL, ALL AIRCRAFT GREEN AND BLACK CELLS, AIRCRAFT NUMBER TWO: INTERNAL 100" (ONE ZERO ZERO FEET), EXTERNAL 125" (ONE TWO FIVE FEET). WHITE CELL, ALL AIRCRAFT GREEN AND BLACK CELLS, AIRCRAFT NUMBER THREE: INTERNAL 105" (ONE ZERO FIVE FEET), EXTERNAL 135" (ONE THREE FIVE FEET).

E. WEAPONS AND FUZING DATA IS AS FOLLOWS:

RED AND BLUE CELLS, ALL AIRCRAFT: INTERNAL (M-65 CONICAL FIN) - NOSE ONLY INSTANTANEOUS: EXTERNAL (MK-82) - NOSE ONLY .01 (POINT ZERO ONE). WHITE CELL, ALL AIRCRAFT: INTERNAL (M-65) - INSTANTANEOUS NOSE/.025 (POINT ZERO TWO FIVE) TAIL; EXTERNAL (MK-82) - NOSE ONLY .01 (POINT ZERO ONE). GREEN AND BLACK CELLS, ALL AIRCRAFT: INTERNAL (M-65) - .01 (POINT ZERO ONE) NOSE/.025 (POINT ZERO TWO FIVE) TAIL EXTERNAL (MK-82) - NOSE ONLY .01 (POINT ZERO ONE).

F. OAP CALCULATIONS:

(1) GEOGRAPHICAL OAP NBR 1. MT PEAK. 16-46-11N (ONE SIX FOUR SIX ONE ONE NORTH) 106-42-58E (ONE ZERO SIX FOUR TWO FIVE EIGHT EAST). ELEV 5180 (FIVE ONE EIGHT ZERO) FT.

(2) GEOGRAPHICAL OAP NBR 2. MT PEAK. 16-46-43N (ONE SIX FOUR SIX FOUR THREE NORTH) 106-51-28E (ONE ZERO SIX FIVE ONE TWO EIGHT EAST)
ELEV 880" (EIGHT EIGHT ZERO) FEET.

(3) BOMB RELEASE WILL BE PLANNED TO USE THE SECOND OAP HOWEVER, OAP ONE MAY BE USED.

(4) OFFSET COMPONENTS WILL BE FURNISHED APPROPRIATE AGENCIES BY SEPARATE MESSAGE.

PART VII. COMMAND AND CONTROL. LAW ANNEX E, SUP 1 SAC
OPLAN 52-67. SAC ZIPPO 0337 JUL 66.

ALFA. PART TWO OF THE SAC EXECUTION MESSAGE WILL SPECIFY
02-1-149-67 (FIVE TWO ONE ONE FOUR NINE SIX SEVEN)
BRAVO. STRIKE REPORT NUMBER LETTER MATCH LIST IS LIST

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NUMBER 149-67 (ONE FOUR NINE-SIX SEVEN).

ONE	DASH MIKE	EIGHT	DASH ROMEO
TWO	DASH BRAVO	NINE	DASH WHISKEY
THREE	DASH TANGO	TEN	DASH YANKEE
FOUR	DASH LIMA	ELEVEN	DASH INDIA
FIVE	DASH VICTOR	TWELVE	DASH NOVEMBER
SIX	DASH KILO	THIRTEEN	DASH ECHO
SEVEN	DASH PAPA	FOURTEEN	DASH QUEBEC

CHARLIE. RECALL WORD FOR THIS MISSION USING THE AFKAI-1
IS BLOCK FIVE THREE ZERO LINE FIVE RODERICK

REPEAT RODERICK.

DELTA. BREAK RADIO SILENCE WORD FOR THIS MISSION USING
AFKAI-1 IS; BLOCK FOUR EIGHT FIVE LINE TWO BLOOD COLD
REPEAT BLOOD COLD.

PART VIII COMMUNICATIONS. COMMUNICATIONS WILL BE
LAW REF A AND B. BOMBER AIRCRAFT MONITOR GCI (278.4)
MCS WHILE INSIDE VADIZ.

PART IX. WEATHER.

A. WEATHER SUPPORT WILL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH
REFERENCE A.

PART X. INTELLIGENCE.

A. THE MIG COMBAT RADIUS WILL BE PENETRATED AT 14 12NQQWREE AND
EXITED AT 14 25N/11345E.

B. THE NORTH VIETNAM EARLY WARNING LINE WILL BE PENETRATED AT
15 23NQPPOEE AND EXITED AT 14 50N/10821E.

C. THE CHICOM EARLY WARNING LINE WILL BE PENETRATED AT 15 32N/10857.
AND EXITED AT 16 20N/10719E.

D. THE CHCM GCI LINE WILL BE PENETRATED AT 15 52NQPITPE AND EXITED
AT 16 00NQPUNNE.

E. THE NORTH VIETNAM GCI LINE WILL BE PENETRATED AT 16 49N/10750E
AND EXITED AT 16 18N/10720E.

F. NO OTHER KNOWN ENEMY RADAR NETS WILL BE PENETRATED.

G. THERE ARE NO KNOWN ENEMY GROUND DEFENSES THAT COULD AFFECT THIS
MISSION AT PLANNED FLIGHT LEVELS.

PART XI. SKY SPOT TRAINING.

A. SKY SPOT SITE AT PLEIKU WILL BE UTILIZED
FOR SIMULATED BOMB RUNS AFTER LIVE BOMB RELEASE.

B. FIRST PLANNED SIMULATED RELEASE IS 29/214Z.

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C. LAST PLANNED SIMULATED RELEASE IS 29/2207Z.
 D. SKY SPOT WILL DIRECT SIMULATED BOMB RUNS FOR
 RED, WHITE, BLACK CELL(S).
 E. BOMBER ROUTE FOR SKY SPOT IS:

	COORDINATES	ETA
FROM TGT	16-53N 106-54E	29/2110Z
TO PIP	15-33N 108-05E	2125Z
TO IP U	14-52N 108-16E	2131Z
TO IP	14-44N 108-35E	2134Z
TO MSQ TGT	14-20-05N 109-32-03E	2142Z
EXIT RANGE ARC	14-21N 109-38E	2143Z
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 F. ACTUAL RELEASE WILL NOT BE MADE. BALLISTICS WILL BE
 COMPUTED FOR MK-82 WEAPONS BOMB RUN DATA IS:

CELL	BOMB ALT	FLI ALT	KTAS	AXIS	MSQ ETA
RED	35,000	33,000	440	113	29/2142Z
WHITE	35,000	33,000	440	113	29/2150Z
BLACK	35,000	33,000	440	113	29/2207Z

G. PLANNED BOMBING FORMATION IS IFC.
 H. BIG INCH ACFT WILL SQUAWK IFF/SIF MODE ONE CODE
 THREE THREE FROM PIP TO BOMBS AWAY.
 I. PRACTICE SKY SPOT ACTIVITY WILL NOT INTERFERE WITH
 ANY STRIKE ACTIVITY BEING CONDUCTED BY PEN LIGHT.
 J. AIRCREWS WILL SIMULATE ALEMS OF THE CHECKLIST

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THAT WOULD EFFECT AN ACTUAL RELEASE.

PART XII. GENERAL.

A. EIGHTEEN (18) HOUR REPRISAL TOT DEGRADED.

B. CAMERA TILT.

1. 6 INCH FL- 10-15 DEGREES LEFT.
 10 DEGREES AFT.

2. 12 INCH FL- 10-15 DEGREES LEFT.
 10 DEGREES AFT.

C. FOR 7AF. REQUEST FIGHTER MIG CAP BE PROVIDED AT
 STOP 16.

D. FOR SACLO. ADVISE 3AD VIA SECURE LINE OF MAG CAP
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- REF: A. JCS 282319Z/7184
- B. COMUSMACV 271120Y/25873
- C. JCS 282305Z/7818

1. CORRESPONDENTS COVERING OPERATION HASTINGS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE HAVE WITNESSED TACTICAL AIR STRIKES IN THE DMZ. B-52 STRIKES COVERED BY REFS B. AND C. WILL BE VISIBLE AND PROBABLY WILL BE OBSERVED. "NO COMMENT" OR "WE HAVE NOTHING FOR YOU ON THAT" WILL ONLY HEIGHTEN INTEREST IN THE APPARENT CHANGE IN POLICY. PUBLIC AFFAIRS GUIDANCE NEEDED URGENTLY.
2. RECOMMEND FOLLOWING FOR RELEASE AT SAIGON 1700H BRIEFING ON THE DAY B-52 STRIKES OCCUR:
"U.S. AIR FORCE B-52 BOMBERS STUCK ENEMY TARGETS

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IN THE DEMILITARIZED ZONE (DMZ) DIVIDING NORTH AND SOUTH VIETNAM TODAY.

"NORTH VIETNAMESE MILITARY FORCES HAVE BEEN USING THE DMZ INCREASINGLY AS AN INFILTRATION ROUTE FOR ENTERING SOUTH VIETNAM AND AS A SUPPLY AND STAGING AREA FOR OPERATIONS AGAINST THE NORTHERN PROVINCES OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM.

"AT 0530H THIS MORNING THE BOMBERS HIT KNOWN TROOP CONCENTRATIONS AND MILITARY SUPPLY DUMPS IN AN AREA ONE AND ONE HALF MILE SQUARE. THE AREA HIT IS JUST SOUTH OF THE SONG BEN HAI RIVER WHICH FORMS THE BOUNDARY BETWEEN NORTH AND SOUTH VIETNAM AT THE 17TH PARALLEL. THE DEMILITARIZED ZONE EXTENDS ABOUT THREE MILES ON BOTH SIDES OF THE RIVER."

"SOME STRAIGHTFORWARD TYPE ANNOUNCEMENT COULD BE MADE REGARDING TACTICAL AIR STRIKES, ARTILLERY FIRING AND NAVAL GUN FIRE IN DMZ.

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ATTN: NMCC-2 FOR NMCC VICE USAF AFXOP-NMCC.
ARC LIGHT FRAG ORDER 149-67, SUP ONE, SAC OPLA
52-67 THIN HARE IV & V HAS BEEN EXECUTED.
"E6 HOUR IS 29/1512 ZULU. AIR REFUELING AREA IS
CLASS TOP. PRE TARGET PHILLIPPINE OVERFLIGHT
(IS NOT) REQUIRED.

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A. ADMINO COMSEVENTHFLT 230950Z NOTAL

B. CG III MAF 280448Z NOTAL

C. COMUSMACV 290505Z NOTAL

1. REF A CONTAINED A PLAN FOR RECONSTITUTION OF THE NEW ARG/SLF SUBSEQUENT TO RELEASE OF CURRENT ARG/SLF FROM OPERATION HASTINGS SUPPORT ON 30 JULY. BY REF B, CG III

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MAF RECOMMENDED THAT THE SLF REEMBARK IN ARG SHIPPING 30 JULY AND DEBARK BLT 3/5 AT CHU LAI 31 JULY. BY REF B, COMUSMACV APPROVED THE RECOMMENDATION CONTAINED IN REF B.

2. ACCORDINGLY, THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS ARE DIRECTED:

A. UPON RETURN OF OPCON OF BLT 3/5, ABOUT 30 JULY REEMBARK BLT IN ARG SHIPPING AND SAIL ARG TO CHU LAI.

B. DEBARK BLT 3/5 AND ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT AT CHU LAI ABOUT 31 JULY.

C. UPON COMPLETION OF BLT EMBARKATION, RECONSTITUTE SLF AS OUTLINED IN REF A.

D. NOTIFY CINCPACFLT WHEN NEW SLF (BLT 1/26) IS READY FOR SPECOPS IN SUPPORT OF COMUSMACV.

E. DIRLAUTH COMUSMACV OR DESIGNATED SUBORDINATE IN PLANNING AMPHIBIOUS SUPPORTING OPERATION FOR APPROVED AUGUST SPECOP PERIOD (15-26 AUG) WHEN REQUESTED BY COMUSMACV.

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3. ARC LIGHT STRIKES SORT STICK THREE, SIX AND SEVEN,
AND BLUE SEA FOUR REF C ARE PLACED IN ADEYANCEK.

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~~US PROPAGANDA DISCOVERED ON OPERATIONS HASTINGS~~

- A. FMFPAC TELECON (MAJ FLYNN) 280655H
- B. CG III MAF LTR, (TO COMUSMACV) 2/LJD/ECK OVER 3800 OF 6 DEC 65
- C. 3RD CITFAM INV RPT: 3D CIT 51-1 (A) - 65, OF 30 DEC 65

1. IN ACCORDANCE WIND REQUEST CONTAINED IN REF A, WHICH RELAYED CMC INTEREST IN SUBJ DOCUMENTS, SAMPLES OF PROAGANDA MATERIALS ARE BEING RECALLED FROM MACV AND WILL BE FORWARDED BY AIR MAIL ASAP TO ACTION AND INFO ADDRESSEES.

2. LARGE QUANTITIES OF FOUR TYPES OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROPAGANDA LEAFLETS WERE FOUND ON 20 JULY 66, DURING OPERATIONS HASTINGS BY UNITS OF LIMA COMPANY, 3D BN, 4TH MAR AND KILO COMPANY, 3RD, 5TH MAR IN THE VICINITY OF (YD 005662) AND (YD 040597).

3. MOST OF THREE LEAFLETS ARE DIRECTED TOWARD NON-V. S. PARTICIPATION IN THE VIETNAM WAR AND CONTAIN ALLEGED STATEMENTS OF UNCLE SAM (PROBABLY QUOTED OUT OF CONTEXT) AND PACIFISTS ON THE VIETNAM WAR. THEY ARE APPROXIMATELY 6X9 INCHES IN SIZE AND ARE MULTI-COLORED (RED, BLUE AND WHITE) - ALL THREE HAVE GOOD REPRODUCTIONS. PRINTING AND PHOTO REPRODUCTION ARE LEGIBLE AND INDICATE GOOD QUALITY REPRODUCTIONS. PRINTED LANGUAGE, HOWEVER, CONTAINS SPELLING AND WORD ERRORS, WHICH SUGGEST AMATEUR PROFESSIONAL TRANSLATORS UTILIZED. NO INFORMATION ON REPRODUCTION SITE BUT POSSIBLY THESE PRODUCED IN NORTH VIETNAM.

4. THE FOURTH LEAFLET IS A SOPHISTICATED REPRINT OF A STATEMENT ALLEGEDLY WRITTEN BY [REDACTED] 6669/3531 [REDACTED] AND PREVIOUSLY VC CIRCULATED.

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1. DECKHOUSE II (D) SITREP NR 34 AS OF 291400Z
2. TASK ORGANIZATION

- A. TG 76.5 AMPHIB READY GROUP CONSISTING OF PRINCETON (CTG 76.5) TACRON DET AND BJU DET EMB), ALAMO.6 08: (-2-6, CARRONADE, BEALE.
B. SLF UNDER OPCON OO DELTA, HMM363 CONTINUES TO UTILIZE PRINCETON AS OP BASE.

3. ACTIONS:

- A. TG -6.5 MAINTAINING STATION VIC THACH HAN RIVER MOUTH NORTH OF QUANG TRI IN SUPPORT OF OPS ASHORE.
B. TF DELTA CONDUCTED HELO BACKLOAD OF CO'S WI, K, AND ARTY BTRY (-) AT 1630H DIRECTLY FROM TACTICAL POSITIONS TO PRINCETON IN CONSONANCE WITH TACTICAL SITUATION ASHORE.
C. PRINCETON, ALAMO AND PICKAWAY UNREPPED FROM CACAPON

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D. SLF

(1) OPERATIONS

(A) CO "M" PATROL LOCATED 25 TO 30 NVA AT XD 989613. ATRY AND AIR MISSITN CALLED. EST 15 NVA KIA (PROB), 1 82 MARTAR, 1 12. MM MG DESTROYED (PROB).

(2) CASUALTIES

(A) CUMULATIVE (DECKHOUSE II AND HASTINGS)
ENEMY - 155 KIA 179 (8- (PROB) 6 WIA (PROB) 5 CAPTURED
USMC - 5 (8- 159 WIA (ADJUSTED AS CONFIRMED)

4. INTENTIONS

- A. CONTINUE SUPPORT OPS ASHORE.
B. COMPLETE WITHDRAWAL AND RECONSTITUTE ARG-SLF PM 30 JULY.
C. ON COMPL WITHDRAWAL PROCEED TO CHU LAI FOR OFFLOAD BLT 3/4 AND L FORM. DISSOLVE TU 76.5.1 (NGFS UNIT), AND TERMINATE OPERATION DECKHOUSE II.

5. ACTION REQUIRED BY HIGHER AUTHORITY. NONE.

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ARC LIGHT (U)

- A. COMUSXAK MACCOC2 26126/290922Z NOTAL
- B. CINCPAC 290125Z NOTAL
- C. COMUSMACV MACCOC2 24826/190951Z NOTAL
- D. CINCPAC 130448ZSAQJIL NOTAL

1. EXECUTE THE FOLLOWING ARC LIGHT STRIKES IAW REFS A, B, C, AND D AXENDED:

TARGET	NICKNAME	TOT
QUANG TRI ONE TWO SEVEN	ROUNDSLAKESFOUR	3021XXZD
QUANG TRI ONESTWO NINE	ROUNDSLAKE SIX	3121XXZ
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2. FOR CINCSAC: REQUEST SAC PROVIDE STRIKES IN PARA 1
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- A. REFERENCE
- A1. ARC LIGHT
- A2. THINMARE IV, V
- A3. 29/0647Z

D.	FORCE	BASE	IGTOPN SUPPORTED "HASTINGS" CONCENTRATION	PLANNED TACTICS	T.O. TOT TIME	ETA
D1.	15 B52	ANDARSEN N	OF NVA/VV TROOPS	OAP	291512Z	29/2110Z 30/0313Z
D2.	15 KC135	KADENA			291710Z	29/2238Z

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Z. REMARKS: NONE
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ZEN/CG FIELD FORCE ONE NHA TRANG RVN
YYNA/CG FMFPAC
ZEN/CG FIELD FORCE TWO BIEN HOA RVN
ZEN/CG ROK FV
DDKUV/CTF SEVEN SIX
ZEN/CG THIRD MARDIV
ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV
ZEN/CG FIRST MAF
ZEN/CO I CORPS ADV GP
ZEN/FORLOGCMD
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III MAF DAILY SITREP NR. 210 FOR PD 290001-292400H JULY 1966
Y OP SUMMARY.A. OP MACON. 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NAM PROV
WITH LIGHT CONTACT.AT 291700H CO M/3/9 SQD PTL VIC (AT 935520) RECD 120 RDS SA
FROM 10 VC VIC (AT 938521), RTND SA AND M-79, 1 USMC WIA (MED
EVAC). AT 281700H CO K/3/9 SQD PTL OBS 7 VC VIC (AT 939495)
FIRED SA, 1 VC KIA (CONF). CO K/3/9 PLAT VIC (AT 935520) OBS
2 VC VIC (AT 912494), FIRED SA, 2 VC KIA (CONF).TASK FORCE BELTA CONT OPS IN QUANG TRI PROV WITH
7 INF BNS (2/4, 3/4, 3/5, 2/1, 1/3, 1/1, AND 2/9) AND 3/12 MAR, 2 BTRYS
OF 4/12, AND ONE 4.2 BTRY OF 1/11 AS ARTY SPT; WITH 1ST MAR CMD GRP
AND 1 BN ON CALL. AT 291330H 3/5 MAR BEGAN HELILIFT TO USS PRINCETON,
LEAVING OPS. AT 290030H BTRY 1/3/12 VCLR(XD 997561) RECD SA FIRE FROM
7 NVA, RTND SA AND 106 RR, CALLED IN ARTY WITH UNK RESULTS. AT
291215H CO M/3/5 OBS 25 NVA VIC (XD 989613), CALLED IN ARTY MSN ANDPAGE THREE DDKE 855 CONFIDENTIAL
AND AIR STRIKE, 15 NVA KIA (PROB) ONE 82MM MORT DEST(PROB), ONE 12.7
MM DEST(PROB). AT 291410H CO D/1/1 PTL APPREHENDED 1 NVA VIC (YD084-
616). AT 291405H CO D/1/1 APPREHENDED 1 NVA WHO WALKED INTO THEIRPOS WAVING WHITE CLOTH. AT 291800H RECON PTL AMBUSHED BY 6 NVA VIC
(XD 975478), PTL RTND SA, CALLED IN AIR STRIKE, 4 USMC WIA, 2 NVA
KIA(CONF), 4 NVA KIA(PROB).C. OP FRANKLIN. 7TH MAR TERMINATED S&D OPS IN QUANG NGAI
PROV AT 291200H WITH LIGHT CONTACT.

D. PLANS SUMMARY

- (1) OP MACON. 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NAM PROV.
- (2) OP HASTINGS: TASK FORCE DELTA CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG TRI PROV.
- (3) OP FRANKLIN: 7TH MAR TERMINATED S&D OPS IN
QUANG NGAI PROV.

E. MAJOR UNIT OPS

- (1) OP MACON: US LOSSES: 8 KIA, 51 WIA
ENEMY LOSSES: 207 KIA(CONF)(150 GND, 57 KBA)
421 KIA(PROB)(294 GND, 127 KBA)
5 WPNS, 26 VCS
CUM TAC AIRSTRIKE SORTIES: 22
CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUNFIRE: NONE

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(2) HASTINGS: US LOSSES: 125 KIA, 448 WIA
ENEMY LOSSES: 764 KIA(CONF)(678 GND, 86 KBA)
996 KIA(PROB)(810 GND, 70 KEMTOWS
26 KBA)

14 NVAC
226 WPNS (201 IND, 25 CS)
CUM TAC AIRSTRIKE SORTIES: 997
CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUNFIRE: NONE
(3) FRANKLIN: US LOSSES: 3 KIA, 10 WIA
ENEMY LOSSES: 28 KIA(CONF)
5 KIA (PROB)
3 VCC, 28 VCS

CUM TAC AIRSTRIKE SORTIES: 12
CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUNFIRE: USS WHITE RIVER, USS BEALE, AND
USS CARRONADE FIRED 26 MSNS FOR A DAM EST OF 30 STRUC DEST,
159 STRUC DAM, 1 TRENCHLINE DEST, 8 SAMPANS DEST, 15 SAMPANS
DAM, 5 SECONDARY EXPLOS, AND 23 VC KIA (CONF).
F. FRIENDLY INITIATED SMALL UNIT CONTACTS: 12
PROV/COORD DTG FRD UNIT/LOSSES EN UNIT/LOSSES ACTION
QUANG TIN

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BT 408093 292210H (N) H/2/5/1 WIA UNK/1 KIA, 1 CARB AMB
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QUANG NGAI

BS 571917	282215H (N)	M/3/7/NONE	UNK/NONE	LP
BS 449857	290910H (D)	B/1/RECON/NONE	UNK/NONE	OP
BS 634998	290930H (D)	B/1/7/NONE	UNK/2 VCS	PTL
BS 456850	291000H (D)	B/1/RECON/NONE	UNK/UNK	OP
BS 535943	291430H (D)	I/3/7/NONE	UNK/1 VCS	PTL

QUANG NAM

BT 101665	290030H (N)	L/3/9/NONE	UNK/1 VCS	PTL
AT 953653	290815H (D)	CAC 31,33/NONE	UNK/5 VCC	S&D
AT 988559	291005H (D)	H/2/9/NONE	UNK/1 KIA	CP
AT 990548	291220H (D)	H/2/9/NONE	UNK/1 KIA	PTL
BT 038592	291630H (D)	F/2/9/1 WIA	UNK/UNK	PTL
BT 044595	291745H (D)	F.2.9/NONE	UNK/1 KIA	PTL

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C?°. OBJECTIVES

PROVINCE	LOCATION	TYPE	NAME
CI QUANG NAM	(AT 975515)	S&D	MACON

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C2 QUANG TRI	(XD 998001)	S&D	HASTINGS	071600H/CONT
C3 QUANG NGAI	(AT 971515)	S&D	FRANKLIN	260715H/291200
D. FORCES				
UNIT	OBJ	INIT/TERM	INIT BY	AIRSPT NGF
D1 9TH MAR	C1	291800H/292100H	US	NONE NONE
D2 TF DELTA	C2	290030H/292000H	US	43/A-4 USMC NONE
(3/5 TERM OP)		,2		18/F-4 USMC
				3/F-8 USMC
D3 7TH MAR	C3	NONE	US	4/A-4 USMC 4 MSNS
K. LOSSES/DAM				
K1. ENEMY LOSSES				
UNIT	SIZE/UNIT ID	KIA/VCC	WPNS	AMMO
D1	UNK/UNK	3/0	NONE	NONE
D2	UNK/UNK	2/2	NONE	NONE
D3/UNK	V NONE	NONE	NONE	
K3. FRIENDLY LOSSES				
UNIT	SIZE/UNIT ID	KIA/WIA/CPTRD/MIA	WPNS	AMMO
D1	UNK/UNK	0/1/0/0	NONE	NONE
D2	UNK/UNK	NONE	NONE	NONE
D	UNK/UNK	0/4/0/0	NONE	NONE

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K5. TOTAL FRIENDLY INITIATED SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITHOUT
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III MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SKRZARY NR. 210 FOR PD 290001-292400 JUL 66
1. OPERATIONS.

A. OPERATION MACON AT 291300H CO M/3/9 VIC (AT 868498) RECD 200 RDS SA FROM VC PLAT VIC (AT 865503) RTND 13 RDS 90MM AND SA WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 291700H CO M/3/9 SQD PTL VIC (AT 935520) RECD 120 RDS SA FROM 10 VC VIC (AT 938521), RTND SA AND M-79, 1

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USMC WIA (MED EVAC). AT 291700H CO K/3/9 SQD PTL OBS 7 VC VIC (AT 939495), FIRED SA 1 VC KIA (CONF). AT 291930H CO L/3/9 PLAT RECD 30 RDS SA FROM 4 VC VIC (BT 045658) FIRED 6 RDS 60 MM, 1 VC KIA (PROB). AT 292035H CO K/3/9 PLAT VIC (AT 935520) OBS 2 VC VIC (AT 912494), FIRED SA, 2 VC KIA (CONF).
US LOSSES: 8 KIA, 51 WIA
ENEMY LOSSES: 207 KIA (CONF) (150 GND, 57 KBA)
421 KIA (PROB) (294 GND, 127 KBA)
5 WPNS, 00 VCS

OP HASTINGS. AT 291330H 3/5 MAR BEGAN HELILIFT TO USS PRINCETON, LEAVING OPS. AT 290030H BTRY I/3/12 VIC (XD 997561) RECD SA FIRE FROM 7 NVA, RTND SA AND 106RR, CALLED IN ARTY WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 291215H CO M/3/5 OBS 25 NVA VIC (XD 989613), CALLED IN ARTY MSN AND AIR STRIKE, 15 NVA KIA (PROB) ONE 82MM MORT DEST (PROB), ONE 12.7 MG DEST (PROB). AT 291410H CO D/1/1 PTL APPREHENDED 1 NVA WHO WALKED INTO THEIR POS WAVING WHITE CLOTH. AT 291800H RECON PTL AMBUSHED BY 6 NVA VIC (XD 975478), PTL RTND SA, CALLED IN AIR STRIKE, 4 USMC WIA, 2 NVA KIA (CONF), 4 NVA KIA (PROB).
US LOSSES: 125 KIA, 448 WIA

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ENEMY LOSSES: 764 KIA(CONF)(678 GND, 86 KBA)
586 KIA(PROB)(812 GND, 70 KENTONS, 26 KBA)
226 WENTON IND, 25 CS
14 NVIC

C. OPN FRANKLIN. 7TH MAR TERMINATED S&D OPS IN QUANG
NAM PROVINCE ENCOUNTERING ONLY LIGHT CONTACT DURING PD.

US LOSSES: 3 KIA, 10 VIA
ENEMY LOSSES: 28 KIA(CONF)

5 KIA (PROB)
3 VCO, 23 VCS

D. 1ST MARINE DIVISION

(1) CHU LAI TAOR

(A) 5TH MARINES

(1) 1/5TH MAR: AT 292140H, CP A FTM OP VIC
(BT 398140) RECD ONE FRAG GREN. NO ACTION TAKEN.

(2) 2/5TH MAR: AT 292210H CO H SOD AMB VIC
(BT 408093) FIRED 20 RDS SA AT 4 VC, VC RTND 20 RDS SA AND 1
GREN, 1 USMC VIA (MINOR), 1 VC KIA(CONF), 1 US CARBINE, 1 CART
BELT AND PERSONAL PAPERS.

(B) 7TH MARINES

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(1) 1/7TH MAR: (LATE ENTRY) AT 282330H CO
C USMC/PF SOD CBT PTL VIC (BS 599976) RECD 30 RDS SA FROM 5
VC VIC (BS 599975), RTND 140 RDS SA, 9 M-79 RDS, AND 1 GREN
1 VC KIA(CONF) AND 1 VC VIA (PROB). AT 290900H CO A SOD SCTY
PTL VIC (BT 621016) DEST BOOBY TRAP MADE OF GLASS BOTTLE CON-
TAINING EXPLO. AT 290930H CO B PLAT CBT PTL VIC (BT 634997)
APPREHENDED 2 VCS VIC. AT 291610H CO B FTM SCTY PTL VIC
(BS 618984) RECD 65 RDS SA FROM VIC (BS 627985). RTND 150
RDS SA WITH NEG RESULTS. AT 291700H CO A PF DEST 3 TUNNELS
VIC (BT 618022) E

ND 1 IN VIC (BT 619020).

(2) 2/7TH MAR: NEG CONTACT

(3) 3/7TH MAR: (LATE ENTRY) AT 282215H
CO M FTM LP VIC (BS 572919) HEARD MOVEMENT VIC (BS 571917),
LP RTND TO CO POS AND TKS FIRED 2 RDS 90MM CANNISTER WITH NEG
RESULTS. (LATE ENTRY) AT 282230H CO K FTM LP VIC (BS 560996)
RECD 4 RDS SA FROM VIC (BS 560995). SEARCHED AREA WITH NEG RE-
SULTS. AT 291315H CO K SOD CBT PTL VIC (BS 52398

) APPREHEN-
DED 1 VCS. AT 291430H CO I SOD CBT PTL VIC (BS 535943) AP-
PREHENDED 1 VCS WHO WAS COLLECTING MONEY FROM VILLAGERS.

(4) LATE REPORTS: AT 292130H CO C/1/7 CBT

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I. (C) I CTZ

A. OPN HASTINGS/LAM SON 289A CONTINUES WITH ONLY LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED. USMC UNITS (1/1, 2/1, 1/3, 3/4, 2/9 MAR BNS) CONDUCT OPERATIONS GENERALLY ALONG NATIONAL ROUTE 9 AND THE SONG CAM LO VALLEY FROM CAM LO (YD1359) WEST TO VIC (X09856). VIET-NAMESE UNITS (3/1, 4/2 INF BNS AND 3RD AND 4TH MAR BNS) CONDUCT OPERATIONS IN AN AREA YD1168-1273-1468-1266. SLP (3/5 MAR BN) RELEASED FROM TASK FORCE CONTROL 292400H JULY AND REEMBARKS

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B. OPN MACON CONTINUES WITH ONLY LIGHT CONTACT REPORTED. 3/9 MWX BN CONDUCTS S/D OPERATIONS IN AO.

C. CUM RESULTS FOLLOW:

	HASTINGS/LAM SON 289A			FRIENDLY	MACON
	US	ARVN	TOT		US
KIA	125	21	146		8
VIA	448	40	488		51
			VIET CONG		
KIA	822				207
VCC	15				1
VCS	0				26
IND					
WPNS	216				4
C/S					
WPNS	26				1
AIR					
SORTIES	977				22
NGF	N/A				N/A

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2. (C) II OTZ

A. ALL MAJOR OPNS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD OR CHANGE IN MISSION.

B. CUM RESULTS OF OPNS IN PROGRESS FOLLOW:

	HAYES US	HENRY CLAY US	FRIENDLY PAUL REVERE US/VN/TOT	JOHN PAUL JONES US/VVVVVVVVVVVVVVVVVVVVVVVVVVVVV	SU BOX
OK/TOT	ROK				
KIA	0	1	63/16/79	4/0/4	21
WIA	0	20	301/41/342	4/0/4	67
MIA	0	0	2/10/12	0/0/0	0
			VIET CONG		
KIA	0	35	614	45	265
VCC	0	7	74	2	29
VCS	0	12	446	32	122
IND					
WPNS	3	52	234	35	78
C/S					
WPNS	0	2	17	0	2
AIR					

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SORTIES	0	202	664	62	518
NGF					
MSNS	N/A	N/A	N/A	10	0

(ADJUSTED) RECENT ACTIVITY.

3. (C) III CTZ

A. IN BINH DUONG PGKV, 10 KM NW PHUC VINH, AT APPROX 291445H FC SUPPORTING SPRINGFIELD II SPOTTED 50 VC IN OPEN. AIRSTRIKES WERE CALLED REEBLTNG IN 35 M BODY COUNT). VNVBQVNF

B. ALL MAJOR OPNS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT. OPN AURORA II AND KAHANA II ARE SCHEDULED TO TERMINATE 31 JULY.

C. CUMULATIVE TOTALS FOLLOW:

	EL PASO III	AUORA II	KOKO HEAD	KAHANA II	FINAL HOBART II	SPRINGFIELD II
	US	US	US	US	RAR	US
KIA	0	0	2	0	0	1
WIA	0	9	4	0	0	5
MIA	0	0	0	0	0	0
			VIET CONG			
KIA	0	3	5	3	1	0

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VCC	0	2	5	0	0	0
VCS	0	2	118	0	0	0
IND						
WPNS	0	1	10	0	0	1
C/S						
WPNS	0	0	1	0	0	0
AIR						
SORTIES	248	9	127	23	0	84

4. (C) IV CTZ: NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT SINCE MY 290400Z.

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RUMNWF/CG FIRST MAF DANANG
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3. THE 7AF TACC-2 ARC 1 (38T FWA) ORDER ROJUNILAKE IN THE PART 3 CD.

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 F. ORDNANCE: 24/500 LB DEMO AND 24/1000 LB GP BOMBS PEU ACFT.
 FUSING .01 NOSE ONLY AND INST AND .01V.025 NOSE TAIL.
 3 TOT: 1. FIRST RELEASE 3 V 0525 LOCAL
 2. LAST PLANNED 3 V 0536 LOCAL
 3. NO BOMBS AFTSR 3 V 0555 LOCAL.
 H. NCNTR OP: PANAMA PRI 273.4, LEC 271.3.
 I. REMARKS: 1 ROUTE: SAIGON FOR 7 00N 17 00E

7 45N 1104 0E
 7 25N 1095 0E
 15 10N 1084 0E
 15 7N 1080 0E TO TGT
 15 3N 1065 0E IV
 15 7N 1065 0E VI TO
 7 50N 1074 6E TO
 7 10N 1081 0E TO
 13 12N 1097 4E TO

V/S
TIMING TRIANGLE

7 20N 1095 0E TO
 7 12N 1097 4E TO
 15 10N 1084 0E
 SPEED 440 KNOTS. (FOUR FOUR ZERO).
 2. TARGET COORJINATES: ROUND LAKE IV ROUND LAKE VI

S		XD 945 682	YD 035 756 ✓
	N	XD 960 689	YD 035 745 ✓
		XD 964 631	YD 111 756
		XD 948 674	YD 111 7

TGT CENTER ROUND LAKE IV XD 975 632 2CX-RAY DELTA NINA FIVE FIVED
 SIX EIGHT TWO ON 286 DEGREE S 17 NM DONG HA TACAN. (TWO EIGHT
 SIX ONE SEVEN). CENTER ROUND LAKE VI YD 093 754 (YANKEE DELTA
 ZERO NINE EIGHT SEVEN FIVE ZERO) ON 313 DEGREE R 12 NM (THREE ONE
 EIGHT ONE TWO) DONG HA TACAN. BOMBER DESIRED TRACK 267 DEGREE S
 ROUND LAKE IV; 273 DEGREE S ROUND LAKE VI. BOMBING ALTITUDE - FL

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50 THRU FL 380 IN ONE WAVE.

3. IFF/SIF WILL BE IAW CINCPAC INSTRUCTION J-612380. MODE III WILL BE OUT VADIZ TO VADIZ.

4. AIRCRAFT WILL MONITOR UHF CONTROLLING GCI FREQUENCY, PLUS GUARD. RADIO SILENCE WILL BE MAINTAINED EXCEPT WHEN CONTACTED BY A CONTROL AGENCY USING AN AUTHENTICATED BREAK RADIO SILENCE CONTROL WORD. UHF MAY BE USED AS NECESSARY TO INSURE SAFETY AND SUCCESS OF MISSION.

5. STORMY WEATHER TRANSMITTED BY GCI INDICATES PRESENT COURSE WILL RESULT IN A POSSIBLE CAMBODIAN BORDER VIOLATION.

6. CODE WORD OPTIM WILL BE TRANSMITTED IF NECESSARY TO INDICATE

IMMIG WARNING

7. SAC RECALL AND BRYK RADIO SILENCE CODE WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO 7AF TAC-CO COORDINATOR.

8. INADEQUATE RELEASE CODE: HANDLE BAR.

9. TALLY HO FAC AND WATER BOY/PANAMA CONTROL WILL INSTRUCT ARMY AVIATION ELEMENTS AND OTHER AIRCRAFT OPERATING IN THE AREA TO REMAIN CLEAR OF TARGET AREA BY FIVE KILOMETERS UNTIL NO BOMBS AFTER TIME. WARNING WILL BE TRANSMITTED ON ALL CONTROLLER'S FREQUENCIES PLUS GUARD TEN MINUTES PRIOR TO TOT. "NOTIFICATION WILL BE AN ADVISORY GIVEN IN THE SAME MANNER AS OTHER ARTILLERY WARNINGS."

10. ZALLY HO WILL ENSURE FAC RECONNOITER'S AREA AFTER FIRST LIGHT FOR TARGET OF OPPORTUNITY.

11. FOLLOWING REPORTS WILL BE FORWARDED TO TAC-CO COORDINATOR FOR RELAY TO COMUSMACV.

(A) X-RAY REPORT: Z TIME AND POSITION OF BOMBER FORCE AT THE TIME OF INITIAL CONTACT AND EST Z TIME FIRST ACFT OVER TARGET. BASED ON GROUND RADAR PLOT PROVIDED IMMEDIATELY BY PANAMA CONTROL.

(B) YOKE REPORT: Z TIME FIRST BOMBER THROUGH TARGET AREA BASED ON GROUND RADAR PLOT PROVIDED BY WATER BOY/PANAMA CONTROL.

(C) ZEBRA REPORT: Z TIME OF LAST BOMBER THROUGH TARGET AREA BASED ON GROUND RADAR PLOT PROVIDED IMMEDIATELY BY WATER BOY/PANAMA CONTROL.

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UNIT: 620 TCS PANAMA INFO 35 TFW COC

ACFT: 2/F 102
 MSN: AIR COVER

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ORD: AS REQUIRED
 TOT: 3 V 05 05L TO 3 V 0555V LOCAL
 CONTROL PANAMA

REMARKS:

1. TWO AIRCRAFT FROM AIR DEFENSE POSTURE WILL BE SCRUMBLED BY PANAMA CONTROL AND WILL BE PLACED ON CAP AT 1720N 10900E, ORBIT ALTITUDE 41,000.
2. THERE WILL BE NO FRIENDLY INTERCEPTS ON PROPERLY IDENTIFIED AIRCRAFT.
3. PANAMA ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT TO TAC DEFENCE DUTY OFFICER.

PART III

- A. SKY SPOT PGEIKU WILL SIMULATE RELEASES AFTER LIVE BOMB DROPS/
- B. TACTICS: TP 1653N 10650E TO
 PIP 050N 10746E AT 0538 LOCAL
 IP 1355N 10832E AT 0555 LOCAL
 TOL 13-12-00N 109-14-00E AH 0603 LOCAL
- FORCE: 6/8-52 RED AND WHITE CELLS; BLUE CELL WILL FLY THROUGH.

AXIS: 136 DEGREES (ONE THREE SIX).

C. CONTROL: PENLIGHT

REQ: 334.7 PRI: 343.8 SEC.

IFF/SIF MODE ONE/THREE THREE.

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ZEN/CINCUSARPAC
ZEN/CINCPACAF
ZEN/CINCPACFLT
ZEN/HQ 7TH AIR FORCE TSN
ZEN/3 AIR DIVISION GUAM
ZEN/111 MAF DANANG
ZEN/1 CORPS ADV GP
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DIA FOR DIAXX
SUBJECT: BOMB DAMAGE ASSESSMENT. (U)

1. (U) PIR MACJ236-1 66-296, 25 JULY 66. BDA FROM MISSION NR 5082, DTD 21 JULY 66. ARC LIGHT TARGET ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~. CORNER GRID COORDINATES: YD 112470, YD 113460, YD 142475, YD 144465. EXPOSURES AND CAMERA POSITION: 1-12, 14-34 VT, 003-016, 038-052 L&RSV. APPROXIMATE SCALE: 1:2,500. CLOUD COVER: ZERO PERCENT. QUALITY: POOR TO GOOD. MAP REFERENCE: AX SERIES L701, SHEET 6461 II, 6461 III, 1ST EDITION.

2. (U) MISSION SUMMARY: THIS IS THE POST STRIKE COVERAGE OF ARC LIGHT TARGET "QUICK PUNCH V", LOCATED IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ CITY. TERRAIN IS HILLY AND 80 PCT DEVOID OF VEGETATION. THE REMAINING 20 PCT IS LIGHTLY WOODED. THE RAO VINH RIVER MEANDERS THROUGH THE WESTERN PART OF THE TARGET

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ACT: DIA-30 JRC-3

INFO: CJCS-1 J3-8 NMCC-1 CMC-6 FILE-1 (50)DH/MH

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AREA. THERE WERE 175 IMPACTS INSIDE AND 32 IMPACTS OUTSIDE THE TARGET AREA. FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF ITEMS OF MILITARY SIGNIFICANCE:

COORDINATES	DESCRIPTION	PCT OF DAMAGE	EXPOSURES
YD 121467	TRENCH SYSTEM 300 M LONG IN A "T" CONFIGURATION ON HILLTOP	0 PCT	032 VT
YD 126467	TRENCH SYSTEM, 85M LONG IN A "S" CONFIGURATION WITH 3 AA PSN WITHIN SYSTEM.	0 PCT	031 VT
YD 127465	TRENCH TO THE NORTH OF ROAD IS APPROX 200M LONG AND HAS 4 AA/AW PSNS BEHIND IT	0 PCT	030 VT
YD 124463	FOXHOLES, 2 NEAR ROAD IN A WOODED AREA	0 PCT	030 VT
YD 144467	BRIDGE IN WOODED AREA. LENGTH CANNOT BE DETERMINED	0 PCT	028 VT
YD 154472	TRENCH, 2 SMALL TRENCHES WITH FIRING BAY, NORTH OF ROAD. EACH APPROX 50M LONG	0 PCT	027 VT
YD 118464	FOXHOLES, 4 AND 1 AA/AW PSN A SMALL HILL OVERLOOKING ROAD	0 PCT	010 VT
YD 117465	TRENCH APPROX 200 M LONG; ON HILL BY ROAD	0 PCT	010 VT
YD 128462	TRENCH SOUTH OF ROAD APPROX 400M LONG AND HAS ONE OR TWO AA/AW PSNS BEHIND IT	0 PCT	007 VT
YD 154472	TRENCH SMALL NEAR WOOD LINE NORTH OF ROAD APPROX 25M LONG	0 PCT	004 VT
YD 120464	ROAD INTERCEPTED BY PREVIOUS BOMBING MISSION	0 PCT	008 VT

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- S E C R E T**
1. DECKHOUSE II (U) SIREP NR 36 AS OF 301100Z. FINAL SITREP.
 2. TASK ORGANIZATION.
 - A. G 76. AMPHIB READY GROUP CONSISTING OF PRINCEON (CG 76.5, TACRON DET AND BJU DET ENB) ALAMO, PICKAWAY.
 - B. SLF CHOPPED O CG 76. AT 3011H. ARG/SLF RECONSTITUTED.
 3. ACTIONS
 - A. TU 76.1 (NGFS UNIT) DISSOLVED AT 1900H.
 - B. G 76. UNDERWAY AT 1900H FOR CHU LAI FOR BLT 3/ OFLD PLUS LFORM. SOA 12 ETA 310600H
 - C. SLF

PAGE WO RUMFUAC 03 **S E C R E T**
(1) CASUALTIES
(A) CUMULATED DECKHOUSE II AND HASTINGS.
ENEMY 158 KIA 164 KIA(PROB) 12 WIA 4 WIA(PROB) 7

- CAPTURED
USMC53 KIA163 WIA
4. INTENTIONS
 - A. OFLD BLT 3/ AND LFORM CHU LAI COMMENCING 310800H.
 - B. NEXT READINESS SITREP AS OF 310200Z
 - C. COMPLETION OFLD PROCEED SUBIC. EST ARRIVAL AM 4 AUG.
- . ACTION REQ BY HIGHER AUTHORITY.
N A. REQ TERMINY

AON OPERATION DECK HOUSE II

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1. (C) I CTZ:

~~A. OPN HASTINGS CONTINUES WITH NEG CONTACT. 3/5 OPCON CTBT. 5 AND REEMBARKED PRINCETON. 2/5 OPCON 9TH MARINES AND CLOSED DANANG 301500H.~~

B. OPN MACON CONTINUES WITH LIGHT CONTACT.

2. (C) II CTZ:

A. OPN HENRY CLAY TERM 301915H JUL. FINAL RESULTS UNCHANGED FROM MY 301030Z JUL.

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B. OPN JOHN PAUL JONES: 2/5; 7 RELIEVED 1/327, 2/502 AT 301500H; ASSUMED MSN OF PATROL AND DEFEND CRITICAL TERRAIN IN SECTOR. 1/327, 2/502 RETURNED TUY HOA; PREP FOR FUT OPNS.

C. 2/7 CAV, 1ST ACD: OPCON 3D BDE, 25TH DIV EFFCC

301630H RUL.

D. REF PARA 2B MY 301030Z JUL: AT 301600H JUL, 4TH ENGR BN, 4TH INF DIV, CLOSED PLEIKU W/610 PERSONNEL, 57 S/TONS EQUIP.

E. OPN BINH PHU 15, ARVN RD CLRING OPN INNBINH DINH PROV COMM 270600H JUL, TERM 291730H JUL. FINAL RESULTS REPT 301900H ~~01LCHVED~~; 301 90 KIA (KBA - US BC), 2 VCC, 1 IWP. 90 VC KIA RESULTED FROM PRE PLANNED TAC AIR STRIKES ON VC CO VIC BR886825 AT 280800H JUL.

I F. ALL OTHER MAJOR OPNS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPT OR CHG IN MSN SINCE MY 301030Z JUL.

3. (C) III CTZ: AT 300542H IN OPN SPRINGFIELD II AO AN ARTY TOT WAS FIRED FROM LAI KHE, PHUOC VINH AND THE SPRINGFIELD II AO. TARGET LOC UNK. AN UNK NO RDS HIT THE HQ AND C BTRY, 2/35NARTY LOC VIC XT7946. RESULTS, 19 WIA, ONE (1) 2 1/2 TON TRUCK AND ONE (1) 3/4 TON TRUCK DAMAGED. FIRING UNIT WHICH HIT FRD

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FORCES NOT YET DETERMINED.

4. (C) IV CTZ: THESE WERE SEVEN UL S&D OPERATIONS CONDUCTED THROUGHOUT THE CORPS TACTICAL ZONE AREA YESTERDAY WITH CUM RESULTS: FRD: 1 KIA, 10 WIA. EN: 12 VC KIA (BC), 18 VCC, 37 VCS, 4 IWPNS, 100 GRENADES, AND 60 KIZRS OF MEDICAL SUPPLIES SEIZED, AND 6 STRUCTURES DESTROYED. GP-4

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I II MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY 211 FOR PD 300001-302400H JUL66

1. OPERATION:
A. 0100Z, 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NAM PROV WITH
LIGHT CONTACT. AT 301730H CO M/3/9 VIC (AT 936523) RECD 20 RDS
CAMP FIRE FROM 7 VC VIC (AT 939522), RTND SA FIRE, 1 USMC KIA,
1 VC KIA (CONF), 2 VC KIA (PROB). AT 301800H CO M/3/9 500 FTL

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VIC (AT 927526) RECD 10 RDS SA FIRE FROM VC VIC (AT 932522),
RTND 200 RDS SA AND 3 RDS 90MM WITH UNK RESULTS. AT 302315H
CO M/3/9 AMB VIC (AT 932495) OBS 7 VC VIC (AT 926497), FIRED
5 RDS 60MM WITH UNK RESULTS. US LOSSES: 9 KIA, 51 MIA
ENEMY LOSSES: 208 KIA (CONF) (151 GND, 57 KBA)
400 KIA (PROB) (296 GND, 127 KBA)
5 KPNs, 26 VCS

2. OF HASTINGS, TASK FORCE DELTA CONT OPS IN QUANG TRI
PROV WITH 6 INF BNS (2/4, 2/5, 3/4, 2/1, 2/3, AND 1/1) AND 3
12 MAR. 1 BTRY 4/19 AND ONE 4.2 BTRY OF 1/11 AS ARTY SPT.
AT 301115H ROUGH RIDER CONVOY ENROUTE TO DONG HA VIC (TD 496-
565) DET WINE, 1 (6X6) TRK BADLY DAM, 1 USMC KIA (MED EVAC).
AT 301500H OPCON 2/9 MAR CHOPPED FROM TASK FORCE DELTA TO
STV MAF. AT 301600H OPCON BTRY M/1/11 CHIPPED FROM TASK
FORCE DELTA TO 11TH MARINES.

US LOSSES: 125 KIA, 445 MIA
ENEMY LOSSES: 164 KIA (CONF) (107 GND, 86 KBA)
300 KIA (PROB) (210 GND, 117 MIA), 26 KBA

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C O N F I D E N T I A L GCN 26367

1. (C) I 6TZ

~~A. OPN HASTINGS/AN CON CON COMBINES WITH LIGHT
CONTACT REPORTED. USMC UNITS: 1/1, 2/1, 3/1, 5/1, 2/4
COMBINE OPERATIONS IN AREA OF OPERATIONS.~~

B. OPN MACON CONTINUES WITH NO SIGNIFICANT CONTAC.

C. CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES:

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VIA								
	N			VGET CONG		208		
KIA						1		
VCC						26		
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IND						4		
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C/S						1		
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AIR						22		
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2. (C) II CTZ
 A. ALL MAJOR OPNS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPT OR CHANGE IN MSN SINCE MY 302230Z JULY.
 B. CUM RESULTS OF MAJOR OPNS FOLLOW:
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	US	US/VN/TOT	US/ROK/TOT	HK
KIA	PP	YEQYXUO	RXPXR	WQO
VIA	0	301/41/342	4/0/4	67
MIA	0	2/10/12	0/0/0	0
		VIET CONG		
KIA	0	613	45	2650
VCC	0	74	2	29
VCS	0	44	32	122
IND				78
WPNS	3	239	35	
C/S				2
WPNS	0	17	0	
AIR				518
SORTIES	0	679	62	
NGF				0
MSNS	N/A	N/A	10	

3. (C) III CTZ
 A. ALL OPNS CONTINUE WITHOUT SIGNIFICANT CONTACT
 B. CUM RESULTS:
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	EL PASO	KAHANA	KOKO	AURORA	SPRINGFIELD
	II US	II US	HEAD US	II US	II US
KIA	0	0	2	0	2
VIA	0	0	4	9	5
MIA	0	0	0	0	0
		VIET CONG			
KCA	0	3	5	3	0
VCC	0	0	24	2	0
VCS	N 0	0	99	2	0
IND					
WPNS	0	0	10	1	1
C/S					
WPNS	0	0	1	0	0
AIR					
SORTIES	258	23	188	28	150
NGF	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

4. (U) IV CTZ: NO SIGNIFICANT TACTICAL ACTIVITY REPORTED.
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C O N F I D E N T I A L CVN 26402
1. (C) I CTZ. ~~MASTINGS/LAN SON 289A CONT W/LIGHT CONTACT.~~
~~III (C) (C) MOVED TO DANANG AND OF COM 1ST MAR REGT AT 31000H.~~
~~LAN SON 289A TERM 31000H.~~
2. (U) II CTZ. ALL MAJOR OPNS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT
CONTACT OR CHANGE IN MSN.
3. (C) III CTZ.
A. ELMS OF 173RD ABN BDE HAVE BEGUN MOVE OUT OF
AURORA II AO. 4/23 INF HAS BEGUN MOVE FROM KAHANA II AO.

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WHEN UNITS CLOSE HOME STATION, RESPECTIVE OPNS WILL BE TERM.
B. ALL OTHER MAJOR OPNS CONTINUE W/O SIGNIFICANT
CONTACT.

4. IV CTZ. OPN CUU LONG 36, A 7TH INF DIV S/D OPN AND
KOLLOW UP TO B52 STRIKE IN KIEN TUONG PROV (XS2090) 18 KM E OF
MOC HOA COMMENCED AT 310700H JUL AND CONT. RESULTS: FRD: 4
WIA, 10 WIA (CIV); EN: 2 KIA, 5 VCC, 2 VCS, & 1 WPNS CPTR, AMMO
CACHE VIC XS380926 CONTAINED 36- 81MM MORT RDS, 24 - 75RR RDS,
18 MORT MINES, 100 BANGALORE TORPEDO MINES, 460 AP MINES, 7,500-
50 CAL MG RDS, 4,800 - 30 CAL MG RDS, 13, 280 SA AMMO. NUH18
CRASHED AT MOC HOA AIR FIELD (XS0392). RESULTS: 3 WIA (US),

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ZEN/CG FIELD FORCE ONE NHA TRANG RVN
ZEN/CG FIELD FORCE TWO BIEN HOA RVN
ZEN/CG ROK FV
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III MAF DAILY SITREP NR. 212 FOR PD 310001-312400H JULY 1966
1. OP SUMMARY.

A. GENERAL
1. OPN MACON. 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NAM PROV
WITH LIGHT CONTACT. CASUALTIES FOR PERIOD 310001 TO 312400H
WERE: US NONE; VCGC NONE.

~~RECON PL~~ TASK FORCE CONT OPS IN QUANG
TRI PROV WITH 5 INN ONS ~~AND~~
~~AND~~ 2 BTRY OF 4/12, AND ONE 4.2 BTRY OF 1/11 AS
AS ARTY SPT:
~~MARINES AT 0700H RECON PL OPS 1 NVA VIC (YD 028550),~~
CALLED ARTH NVA, ~~AT 0710H RECON PL RECD SA~~
AND GREN FROM 3 NVA VIC (XD, -7;5), RTND SA AND GREN WITH
UNKNOWN RESULTS, 1 USMC WIA (MINOR). CASUALTIES FOXC PERIOD
310001 TO 312400 WERE: US: 1 KIA, 1 WIA; VC: 5 KIA.

B. PLANS SUMMARY
(1) OP MACON. 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPSSVN QUANG NAM

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(2) OP HASTINGS: TASK FORCE DELTA CONT S&D OPS IN
QUANG TRI PROV.

C. MAJOR UNIT OPS

(1) OP MACON. NO CHANGE

(2) OP HASTINGS: US LOSSES: 126 ITIA, 450 WIA

ENEMY LOSSES: 769 KIA (CONF) (683 GND

86 KBA), 926 KIA (PROB) (820 GND,)° KBM TOWS, 26 KBA), AND

226 WPNS (201 IND, 25 CS).

CUM TAC AIRSTRIKE SORTIES: 1180

CUM RESULTS NAVAL GUNFIRE GD NONE

D. SMALL UNIT ACTIONS

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D1 TOTALS

FORCE NATL	TOTAL	WITH CONTACT DAY/NIGHT
D1A US	432	4/11
D2. ENEMY LOSSES BY FORCE NATIONALITY	PERSONNEL KIA VCC	MATERIAL TYPE-UNIT-AMT-CPTRD-DAM-DEST

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D2A US 7 0 NONE

D3. FRIENDLY LOSSES

FORCE NATL	PERSONNEL KIA/WIA/MIA	MATERIAL TYPE/UNIT/AMT-CPTRD-DAM-DEST
D3A US	1/8/0	NONE

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1. (C) I GIZI

A. OPN LAM SON 292 (REF MY 31220Z JUL, PAR 1B), A THREE BATTALION S/D, OPN BY ARVN FORCES IN THUA THIEN PROV, COMMENCED 310600H JUL. CONTROL HQ IS ARVN 1ST DIV, AND MANEUVER ELEMENTS ARE 2/3, 3/3, 4/3 INF BNS, 2/7 APC TROOPS, AND 3 RF COS. AO IS YD9711 - YD8927 - YD8222 - ZD0310. J-2 CB CARRIES IN AO 800TH NVA BN, STRENGTH 300; 810TH NVA BN, 300; 802ND VC MF BN, 400; 804TH VC MF BN, 400. OPN CONT WITH NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPTD.

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B. OPN HASTINGS/LAM SON 289B CONTINUES WITH NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED. USMC ELEMENTS UNDER CONTROL OF 4TH MARINES. EFFECTIVE 011200H AUG ARE 2/1 MAR BN CONDUCTING OPNS VIC YD9856, 2/4 MAR BN IN RESERVE AT 4TH MAR CP VIC YD1359, AND 2/4 MAR BN IN RESERVE AT DONG HA VIC YD2459. 1/3 MAR BN WITHDRAWS FROM OPN AND MOVES TO DA NANG BY AIR 1 AUORN ARVN PARTICIPATION, DESIGNATED LAM SON B. COMMENCED 310600H JUL AND IS A NEW PHASE OF EARLIER ARVN OPNS. CONTROL HQ IS ARVN 2ND INF REGT, AND MANEUVER ELEMENTS ARE 1/2, 2/2, AND 3/1 INF BNS. UNITS OPERATE VIC YD1469 WITHOUT CONTACT.

C. OPN MACON CONTINUES WITH NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED.

D. CUN RESULTS FOLLOW:

	FRIENDLY	MACON	LAM SON 292
HASTINGS		25	VN
US/VN/TC		9	2
106/01/147		51	11
151/02/100			0
VIA	VIENT CONG	203	
VIA			

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VCC	15	1	0
VCS	0	26	0
IWPNS	207	4	0
C/S WPNS	26	1	0
AIR SORTIES	1122,	22	.010

WFNGS

N/A

N/A

2. (C) II CTZ:

A. OPN PAUL REVERE. A AND B 2/7 CAV LANDED VIC 24051250 CLOSING AT 311814H JUL NO CONTACT. AT 010531.1 -72 8078 7,85 :-3 7,534 .945-4 -5(38: "-051250 AND AT 010534H AUG BOTH UNITS WERE ATK BY THE SAME EST NVA CO SIZE FORCE. EN MORTAR FIRE STOPPED AT 010710H AUG AND ALL EN FIRE STOPPED AT 010800H AUG. ARTY SPTD. LOW CEILING PREVENTED USE OF TAC AIR. RESULTS: FRD: 2 KIA, 20 MIA; VC: 26 KIA (NVA) (BC), 2 AUTO WPNS AND 6 CARBINES OPTR.

B. 1/7 CAV, 1ST ACD OPCON 3D BDE, 25TH INF DIV EFF 011030H AUG.

C. CUM RESULTS OF MAJOR OPNS FOLLOW:

	N	HAYES	PAUL REVERE	JOHN PAUL JONES	SU BOK
FRIENDLY					

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	US	US/VN/TOT	US/ROK/TOT	ROK	
KIA	0	68/16/84	5/0/5	21	
IA		0	336/41/377	4/0/4	67
MIA		0	2/10/12	0/0/0	0
			VIET CONG		
KIA	0		572/76/648	7/38/45	265
VCC	0		68/6/74	0/2/2	29
VCS	0		39/5/44	5/27/32	122
IWPNS	3		232/15/247	6/29/35	78
C/S WPNS	2		17/0/17	2/0/0/	2
AIR SORTIES SA	0		16/694	4/66	518
NGF MSNS	N/A		N/A	10	10

3. (C) II CTZ:

A. OPN OAHU, A 3 BN S/D OPN IN TAY NINH AND BINH DUONG PROVINCES CONTROLLED BY 1ST BDE, 25TH US INF DIV COMMENCED AT 010900H AUG. CENTER OF MASS IS XT4535. UNITS, SCHEME OF MANUEVER AND EN OB TO FOLLOW.

B. OPN KOKO HEAD. AT APPROX 010800H 2/27 INF HELILIFTED TO XT6423 TO CDT GROUND COVERAGE OF 1-50 STRAKES WLD POSS 1 AND 11. AT 010:30H 2 NF-119S SPTING OPN DOWNED BY EN FIRE VIC

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KT 668248 AND XT668245. BOTH ACFT SECURED. WILL ATTEMPT TO FLY BOTH ACFT OUT. CAS UNK.

C. OPN KAMANA II TERM 010806H AUG. RESULTS TO FOLLOW.

D. PROJECTED TERM FOR AURORA II IS NOW APPROX 021300H

E. CUM TOTAL FOR MAJ OPNS FOLLOW:

E	FRIENDLY				
	EL PASO III	KAMANA II	KOKO HEAD	AURORA II	SPRINGFIELD I
KIA	0	0	3	0	2
WIA	0	0	4	9	5
MIA	0	0	0	0	0
			VIET CONG		
KIA	0	3	2231	3	0
VCC	0	0	24	3	0
VCS	0	0	99	2	0
IMPNS	0	0	10	1	1
C/S WPNS	0	0	1	0	0
AIR SORTIES	277	23	225	225	224
NGF	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

A. CORRECTED FIGURES.

B. INCREASE OF 26 KIA REFLECTS KBA (BC) WITHIN TAOR NOW CREDITED TO OPN KOKO HEAD. KBA RESULT OF 6 SEPARATE ACTIONS BETWEEN 25-31 JUL.

4. (C) IV CTZ:

IN KIEN HOA PROV (XS545070) 25 KM S OF TRUC GIANG (HUONG MY DIST TOWN) RECEIVED MORT ATK STARTING 010145H TERM 010400H. OP XS543075 MANNED BY 20 PF WAS DESERTED AT 010223H AND RE-EST AT 010445H. OP XS546078 MANNED BY 10 PF WAS OVERRUN AT GVOPWPVK. RESULTS: FRD: 11 KIA, 1 WIA, 4 CIV KIA, 6 CIV WIA, 12 IMPNS, 1 PRC-10, 1 SA43 LOST. EN: UNK. VNAF AIR STRIKES AND AC-47 SPID.

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1. (C) I CTZ:

A. OPN HUSTINGS/LAM SON 239B CONT WITH NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT. 2/1 (USMC) CLOSED PHU BAI 011830H. IF DELTA DEACTIVATED 011200H. CONTROL OF HASTINGS REVERTED TO CO 4TH MARINES.

B. OTHER OPNS, NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT.

C. LAM SON 292, REF MY P10509W JUL PARA 1A) TERMINATED 011915H. RESULTS: FRD: 3 KIA, 8NWA, 4 IWPNS LOST, 1 C/S WPN LOST; VC: 15 KIA, 2 VCC, 1 IWPV CAPTURED.

2. (C) III CTZ:

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A. OPN VAUL REVERE CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPT SINCE MY 011050Z. 1/12 CAV 0CA 3D BDE, GQST AIRNCAV DIV EFF 011645H. 3D BDE, 1ST AIR CAV DIVNW/1/7 CAV (-) GM AND 1/12 CAV CLOSED PAUL REVERE AO VIC ZA1229 AT 011628H.

B. REF MY 010509Z, NPAPA 2A. FINAL FRD LOSSES: 5 KIA, 03 WIA.

C. ALL OTHER MAJOR OPNS CONTINUE W/O SIGNIFICANT CONT REPT OR CMG IN MSN SINCE MY 01105:Z AUG. 0

(C) III CTZ:

A. ALL OPNS CONTINUE W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT.

. IN PHUOC TUY PROV 20 KM NW OF BA RIA AN UNK SIZE CONVOY ON HWY 60T WAS AMBUSHED BY UNK NO VC AT 011400H VIC YS2378. CONTACT LASTED UNTIL APPROX 1515H. A REAVTION KORCE FR 10TH ARVN DIV WAS SENT OUT. ONE VNAF AIRSTRIKE, 2 LT HELO FIRE TEAMS AND ARTY SPT THE ENGAGEMENT. ONE ARMED UH-1B WAF SHOT DOWN BUT WAS LATER EXTRACTED WITH NO CAS REPT. UNITS INVOLVED WERE REPT TO HAVE BEEN FR CMD, 5TH ARVN DIV AND 2/48 INF (ARVN). RESULTS: FF/5TH DIV: 9 KIA, NS WIA, 5 MIA.

2/48 INF: 23 KIA, NI WCA.

LOST: 21 IWPV AND 2 C/S.

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N DAY: 10 2 1/2 TON TRUCKS

VC: 1 KIA (BC), AND NI IWPV CTR.

N A. (C) IV CTZ: NO SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY REPORTED.

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III MAF DAILY SITREP NGDP213 FOR PD 010001-012400H AUGUST 1966
1. OP SUMMA

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A. (5 & 3, 34-)

&&(1) CIOPN MACON. 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPN IN QUANG NAM PROVODCDTH LB
USCOPRFPBONZABUQLOI TO 012400H
WERE: US: NONE; VC: ORNONE.

(2) OPN HASTINGS. TASK FORCE DELTA CONT OPS IN QUANG
TRI PROV WITH 4 INF BNS (2/4, 3/4, 2/1, 1/3) AND 3/12 MAR, 2
BTBTROFOR/12; 1XNDSONETYSPT; UPAT
010700H AUGU I OPCON 1/3 CHOPPED TO 3D MAR FROM TASK FORCE
DELTA AS UNIT BEG AIR AIRLIF TTO DANANG, LEAVING OP. AT
011200H TASK FORCE DELTA HQS DEACTIVATED AND CONIOL OF OP
PASSED TO 4TH MARSJVM CASUALTIES FOR PERIOD 010001H TO 012400H
AUG WERE: US9, 703; VC: NONE.

B. PLANS SUMMARY

5- OP MACON. 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NAM

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PROV.

OJ S&D(OPSORNYOBTUUGSRIATH MAR P
PROV.

C. MAJOR UNIT OPS

(1) OP MACON. NO CHANGE
7.) OPTLASTINGS. NO CHANGE

CUM TAC AIRSTRIKE SORTIES: 1198

D. SMALL UNIT ACTIONS

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LATE ENTRIES:

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EN UNIT/LOSSES

ACTION

QUANG NMXI

(BS 629992)

310145H (N)H&S/1/7/1 WIA

UNK/NONE

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(BT 085595)	311250H (D)	I/1/1/2 WIA	UNK/NONE	CLR
(AT 7:3541)	311920H (D)	B/1/9/1 KIA	UNK/NONE	OP
(AT 965665)	311724H (D)	M/3/3/1 WIA	UNK/NONE	PTL
FRIENDLY INITIATED SMALL UNIT CONTACTS:				
QUANG TIN				
(BT 465087)	010945H (D)	CAS/2/5/NONE	UNK/NONE	AMB (1)
(BT 432049)	0113392/ (D)	HC/3D AMTRAC/3KI WIA	UNK/NONE	CONVOY
(BT 380149)	012045H (N)	A/1/5/NONE	UNK/NONE	AMB (2)
QUANG NGAI				
(BT 652008)	010030H (N)	A/1/7/NONE	SB UNK/1 KIA	AMB (3)
(BT 643017)	010900H (D)	A/1/7/NONE	UNK/1 KIA	AMB (3)
(EQ 499890)	010930H (D&?)	I/3/7/NONE	UNK/IHW A	REC (4)
(BS 701972)	011020H (D)	B/1/7/NONE	UNK/NONZ	DEF
WWWSS S. 414)	011100H (D)	B/1/7/NONE	UNK/NONE	DEF
(BS 580927)	011115H (D)	M/3/7/3 WIA	UNK/NONE	DEF
(BS 526895)	01105H (D)	I/3/7/NONE	UNK/1 VCS	XF
(5)				
(BS 538895)	011450H (D)	I/3/7/1 WIA	UNK/NONE	AMB (5)
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(BS 583028)	012212H (N)	M/3/7/NONE	UNK/NONE	AMB (5)
(BS 589900)	012230H (NAVL	C/1/7/NONE	IV UNK/NONE	LP
QUUU M JNK				
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(AT 994621)	312045H (N)	G-12/9/1 WIA	UNK/NONE	AMB (10)
(AT 957630)	312140H (N)	F/1/9/NMNE	UNK/1 KXSF (CONF)	AMB (11)
(AT 957630)	312145H (N)	D/1/9/NONE	QSC/3 KBGF ((50497)	AMB (11)
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(WDBD2880M 75N)	SQA/1/1/NONE	OZQ IANK/NONE	SQ	DEF
(AT 994676)	010345H (N)	I/1/CP/1 WIA	UNK/NONE	DEF
(AT 885713)	010800H (D)	K/3/3/NONE	UNK/NONE	S&D (13)
(AT ARBGIT OYL	PHMIEEH (D)	79.&&/2/3/NONE	TKHNK/WONE	S49D (14)
(BT 188588)	010950H (D)	A°°981/NONE	UNK/NONE	CLR (15)

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(AT 957677)	011100H (D)	CAC-33/3/3/NONE	UNK/3 IZS	S&D (17)
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(AT 903706)	011143H (D)	I/3/3/1 WSU	UMBO/NONE	PTP (19)
			UNK/NONE	S&D (204(8;5

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(PJDU167597)	011630H (D)	CC/1/1/NONE	UNCL/NONE	CLR (15)

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D2. ENEMY LOSSES
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MATERIAL TYPE-UNIT-MT-CPT-DAM-DEST
RIFLE/UNK/2/CPTYKV
FRAG GREN/UNK/4/CPTRD
RIFLE GREN/UNK/1/CPTRD

D3. FRIENDLY LOSSES
FORCE NATL PERSONNEL HWIX0/14/0
KISOXWIA/MIA
MATERIAL TYPE/UNIT/AMT-CPTRD-DAM-DEST
NONE

D3A. OPS
W06IMMUBRIT AVMIIONS BY SIZE
SIZE OF FORCE NO. WITH CONTACT NO. W/OUT CONTACT
D4A FIRE TEAM NONE 103
D4B SQUAD 12 272
D4C PLATOON 10 6 12

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D4D COMPANY NONE
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S E C R E T LIMDIS 26569 FROM: MACC002
SUBJ: ARC LIGHT STRIKE REQUEST (U)
REF A: COMUSMACV 26566 DTG 020116Z(S)
REF B: CINCPAC 290125Z JULY 5) NOTAL

1. (S) THIS MESSAGE REQUESTS APPROVAL OF TWO ARC LIGHT STRIKES IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE, SVN. BOTH TARGETS ARE LOCATED WITHIN THE DMZ AND COMPLY WITH PROVISIONS AS OUTLINED IN REF B. TIMING IS REQUESTED FOR ONE STRIKE IN THIS MESSAGE. TIMING WILL BE PROVIDED AT A LATER DATE FOR THE REMAINING STRIKE.

2. (S) REQUEST EXECUTION APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING ARC LIGHT STRIKES: (REF A CONTAINS INTELLIGENCE JUSTIFICATION)
TARGET UTM COORDINATES ACFT TOT
R. QUANG TRI XD 913677 RPT XD 913677 SIX 032240Z AUG

PAGE 2 RUMSMA 175H S E C R E T LIMDIS
ONE THREE FOUR XD 922661 RPT XD 922661 (6) RPT
(GREEN CAP ONE) XD 920658 RPT XD 920658 032240Z AUG
XD 930663 RPT XD 930663

(S) SUBJECT TO EXECUTION APPROVAL, THIS MESSAGE CONSTITUTES CONFIRMATION. DO NOT RELEASE ANY BOMBS AFTER 032255Z RPT 032255Z.

B. QUANG TRI XD 927676 RPT XD 927676 SIX
ONE THREE FIVE (6)
(GREEN CAP TWO) XD 936678 RPT XD 936678
XD 935658 RPT XD 935658
XD 945660 RPT XD 945660

3. (S) THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION APPLIES TO BOTH STRIKES LISTED IN PARA TWO ABOVE.

- A. WEAPONERING: H.E. MUNITIONS ATINSAC'S DISCRETION, REQUEST 30:70 SURFACE TO SUBSURFACE.
- B. MAP SERIES L-701, SCALE 1:50,000, SHEET 6361 I.
- C. GROUND EXPLOITATION IS NOT SCHEDULED.
- D. IN REGARDS TO PROXIMITY OF HQTS AND HAMLETS REF A APPLIES.

PAGE 3 RUMSMA 175H S E C R E T LIMDIS
E. FRIENDLY FORCES WILL BE NO CLOSER THAN THREE KILOMETERS TO EITHER TARGET AT TOT.
F. RADAR HELICOPTER WILL NOT BE PROVIDED.
G. ANEMD., SAIGON APPROVES OVERFLIGHT OF SVN BY STRIKE AIRCRAFT.
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1. FM MACVCC
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ZEN/II PFORCEV
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C O N F I D E N T I A L CCN 26589

1. (C) I CTZ:

A. OPN HASTINGS/LAN SON 2898 CONTINUES WITHOUT SIGNIFICANT CONTACT. UMSC 2/4 AND 3/4 MAR BNS AND ARVN 1.2, 2/2, AND 3/1 INF BNS CONDUCT SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS IN AO.

B. OPN MACON CONTINUES WITHOUT CONTACT. 3/9 MAR BN CONDUCTS S/D OPERATIONS IN AO.

C. CUM RESULTS:

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HASTINGS	MACON
US/VN/TOI	US

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KIA	126/21/147	9
WIA	448/48/458	51

VIET CONG

KIA	882-	208
VCC	15	1
VCS	0	26
IMPNS	228	4
C/S WPNS	26	1
AIR SORTIES	1188	22
NGS	N/A	N/A

ADJUSTED FIGURE ON BRIEFINGS OF EARLIER ACTIONS

2. (C) II CTZ:

A. GROUND FOLLOW UP IN BLUE TULIP I&II AREA BY 2/502 INF REPORTS NO CONTACT AS OF 021000H AUG. RESULTS OF STRIKE TO FOLLOW.

B. OPN PAUL REVERE. AT 020135 AUG VIC ZA051250 B/2/7 CAV REC SA FIRE. VC BROKE CONTACT TIME UNK. AIR SPTD. RESULTS: FRD: 16 WIA; VC: UNK.

C. CUM RESULTS OF MAJOR OPNS FOLLOW:

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	HAYES	PAUL REVERE	JOHN PAUL JONES	BU BOK
	US	US/VN/TOT	US/ROK/TOT	ROK
KIA	0	71/16/87	5/8/5	21
WIA	0	374/41/399	4/0/4	68
MIA	0	2/10/12	0/0/0	0
			VIET CONG	
	HAYES	PAUL REVERE	JOHN PAUL JONES	SU BOK
KIA	0	575/76/651	7/38/45	265
VCC	0	68/6/74	0/2/2	29
	0	40/5/45	5/27/32	122
IWPNS	3	236/15/251	6/29/35	78
C/S WPNS	2	17/0/17	0/0/0	2
AIR SORTIES	0	23/717	3/69	10/528
NGF MSNS	N/A	N/A	10	0

3. (C) III CTZ:

- A. OPN SPRING FIELD IINTERM 011512N AUG.
- B. ALL OTHER OPN CONTINUE WO SIGIFICANT CONTACT.
- C. CUM RESULTS:

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	US	US	US	US	US	US
KIA	2	0	0	4	0	0
WIA	5	0	0	4	0	9
			VIET CONG			
KIA	10	0	3	31	0	3
VCC	2	0	0	24	0	3
VCS	0	0	0	100	0	2
IWPNS	1	0	0	16	0	1
C/S WPN	0	0	0	1	0	0
AIR SORTIES	249	285	23	237	3	34
NGF	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/AHED	N/A	N/A

RM OKU) IV CTZ: NOSIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED.

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- A. REFERENCE
- A1. ARC LIGHT
- A2. HOT BRASS III
- A3. 012525Z

D. FORCE	BASE	TGT/OPN SUPPORTED	PLANNED TACTICS	T.O. TIME	TOT	NETA
D1. 6 B52 ANDERSEN			OAPN	02/1632Z	022240Z	030413Z
		VCNVA CONCENTRATION "HASTINGS"		02/1637Z		02/2243Z
D2. 6 KC135 KADENA						
Z. REMARKS: NONE (GP-4)						

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II MAF DAILY HISTORICAL SUMMARY NR 214 FOR PD 020001H TO
022400H AUGUST 1966.

1. OP SUMMARY

A. OPN MACON. 9TH MAR CONT S&D OPS IN QUANG NAM PROV
WITH LIGHT CONTACT. AT 011000H CO K/3/9 S&D PTL VIC (AT
924501) RECD 50 RDS SA FROM 3 VC VIC (AT 922512), RTND 40
RDS SA AND 3 RDS M-79 WITH UNK RESULTS AT 021000H CO K/3/9
S&D PTL VIC (AT 923500) FIRED 81MM AT ENEMY POS VIC (AT
926503), RECD 70 RDS SA FIRE FROM VC VIC (AT 923506) AND VIC
(AT 923507), RTND SA, CALLED IN 81MM AND ARTY, 1 VC KIA
(CONF), 2 VC KIA (PROB). AT 021030H CO M/3/9 PTL VIC (AT
937523) RECD 75 RDS SA FIRE FROM VIC (AT 941541, 933518,
939520, AND 940519), RTND SA AND CALLED IN 81MM WITH UNK RESULTS.
AT 021130H CO M/3/9 PTL VIC (AT 937528) RECD 12 RDS SA FROM
VIC (AT 940520), CALLED IN ARTY WITH XANK RESULTS. AT 021215H
CO K/3/9 PTL DET BOOBY TRAPPED GREN VIC (AT 935485). 1 USMC
WIA (MED EVAC). AT 021845H CO M/3/9 PTL VIC (AT 913514) RECD
1 RD SA FIRE FROM VIC (AT 916512), RTND 60MM MORT, 1 VC KIA
(PROB). CUM CAS: VCWXC 209 KIA (CONF) (151 GND, 57 KBA),
423 KIA (PROB) (296 GND, 127 KBA), AND 26 VCS; USMC: 9
KIA, 52 WIA.

B. OP HASTINGS. 4TH MAR CONT OPS IN QUANG TRI PROV
WITH 3 INF BNS (2/4, 3/4, 2/1) AND 3/12 MAR (REIN) AS ARTY
SPT WITH NO CONTACT. CUM CAS: VC: 769 KIA (CONF) (683
GND, 86 KBA), 929 KIA (PROB) (903 GND, 26 KBA); USMC: 126
KIA, 450 WIA.

C. OP BUCK. AT 022300H 1ST MARINES COMMENCED COORDINATED

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USMC/ARVN BN SIZE S&D OP IN AREA BOUNDED BY (BT 070700), (BT 080700), (BT 080650), AND (BT 115650). BLOCKING POS WERE ESTABLISHED ON THE WESTERN AND SOUTHERN BOUNDARIES AND AT 1-HOUR 1 USMC AND 1 ARVN COMPANY WILL SWEEP SOUTH. ESTIMATED DURATION 5 DAYS, CENTER OF OP (BT 100670). CUM CAS: VC: NONE; USMC: NONE.

D. 1ST MARINE DIVISION

(1) CHU LAI TAOR

(A) 5TH MARINES

(1) 1/5TH MAR. NO CONTACT.

(2) 2/5TH MAR. AT 021340H CO H SQD SCTY

PTL WITH LVT ON RESUPPLY TRIP VIC (BT 441041) RECD 21 RDS SA FROM

R (BS 452039), NOVIRE RETURNED. AT 021350H CO H SCTY SQD OBS 3 VCS STANDING IN ROAD VIC (BT 441044) WHO ATTEMPTED TO RUN, VCS APPREHENDED, 3 VCS. AT 021450H CO H SQD SCTY PTL WITH LVT RESUPPLY RUN VIC (BT 444036) DEST ONE 105MM RD. AT 021750H CO H SQD SCTY PTL WITH LKBVT ON RESUPPLY TRIP VIC (BT 435056) DEST ONE 60MM RD RIGGED TO DET ANOTHER CHARGE, APPREHENDED 3 VCS. AT 021525H CO H SQD SCTY PTL WITH LVT ON RESUPPLY TRIP VIC (BT 443037) DEST ONE 81MM RD.

(3) 3/5TH MAR. BLT 3/5 (-) CHOPPED TO CG 1ST MARDIV UT 020700H.

(B) 7TH MARINES

(1) 1/7TH MAR. AT 020900H CO B POS VIC (BS 698974) RECD 8 RDS SA FROM VIC (BS 700971) AND 3 RDS SA FROM VIC (BS BM 0Y978), RTND 50 RDS SA, 3 RDS M-79, AND 6 RDS 81MM ON FIRST POS AND 3 RDS SA ON SECOND POS, SEARCHED AREA, APPREHENDED 2 VCS. UT 021300H HEL LANDING INCO B POS VIC (BS 699975) RECD 20 RDS SA, CO RTND 50 RDS SA, 10 RDS 60MM, 8 RDS 105MM, AND 6 RDS 81MM WITH NEG RESTYX1978

(2) 2/7TH MAR. NO CONTACT.

(3) 3/7TH MAR. AT 020700H CO K PLAT CBT

PTL VIC (BS 546974) APPREHENDED 1 VCS. AT 021000H CO I PLAT CBT PTL VIC (BS 536947) APPREHENDED 1 VCS. AT 021000H CO M PLAT CBT PTL VIC (BS 547984) APPREHENDED 1 VCS. AT 021040H CO M PLAT CBT PTL VIC (BS 550898) APPREHENDED 1 VCS. UT 021245H CO M PLAT CBT PTL VIC (BS 552915) APPREHENDED 1 VCS. AT 021350H CO I PLAT CBT PTL VIC (BS 521929) APPREHENDED 1 VCS. AT 021415H CO M WORKING PARTY VIC (BS 581929) WAS

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INFORMED BY PTL THAT VC WERE MAINLY OBS 1 VC VIC (BS 586926), FIRED SIX RDS SA, 1 VC KIA (CONF). AT 021700H CO 1 PLAT CBT PTL VIC (BS 536947) APPREHENDED 1 VCS.

(C) 1ST REON BN

(1) CO B. AT 021200H 1ST PLAT INSERTED ON HILL 437 VIC (BS 227979) TO ESTABL OP. AT 021730H 2D PLAT INSERTED ON HILL JAF00 VIC (BS 312063) TO ESTABL OP.

(2) CO C. AT 021715H 1ST PLAT WAS EXTRACTED FROM HILL 319 VIC (BT 322063). UT 020830H 3D PLAT VIC (BT 252103) ABM 4 VC, 1 USMC WIA (MED EVAC), 4 VC KIA (PROB), 1 M-1 AND 1 CHICOM CARBINE AND 1 CANT BELT CPTRD. AT 021015H 3D PLAT WAS EXTRACTED FROM VIC (BT 252103).

(3) CO D. AT 021200H 3D PLAT CONT TO MAN OP AT AN HOA VIC (BS 474364). AT 021900H LOCAL AGENT REPORTED 300 ARMED VC VIC (BS 590382), CALLED ARTY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

(4) H&S CO. TWO MAN RADIO RELAY TM WITH REINF SQD OF CO F/2/5 CONT TO MAN OP AND RADIO RELAY ON HILL 707 VIC (BS 418998) WITH NEG RESULTS.

(D) 11TH MARINES.

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MISSIONS FIRED: 28

OBSERVED: 35

UNOBSERVED: 92

H&I: 72

AMMO EXPENDED:

105MM: 675 HE, 2 ILLUM, 1 WP, 6 SMK

107MM: 96 HE, 12 WP

155HOW: 199 HE, 6 ILLUM, 20 WP

155GUN: 32 HE

BTCH: ROUNDS FIRED: 1051

E. 3D MARINE DIVISION

(1) DANANG TAOR

(A) 1ST MARINES

(1) 1/1ST MAR. AT 020745H CO B/1/1 SQD

PTL VIC (BT 077607) RECD SA FROM VIC (BT 077609), RTND SA AND M-79 FIRE WITH NEG RESULTS, 1 SMC WIA (MED EVAC). AT 020830H CO B/1/1 SQD PTL VIC (BT 058643) GBCD SA FROM 4 VC VIC (BT 055643), RTND SA, M-79, & M-72, VC DET ELECTRICALLY ACTIVATED WINE VIC (BT 055643), 1USMC WIA (MED EVAC). AT 020910H CO BT

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S E C R E T ~~SECRET~~ 26794 FROM: MACCOC2
SUBJ: ARE LIGHT STRIKE REQUEST (U)
REF A: COMUSMACV 26795 DTG 031050Z (S)
REF B: COMUSMACV 23847 DTG 120420Z JULY (S)

1. (S) REF A REQUESTED EXECUTION OF ARC LIGHT STRIKE QUANG TRI ONE THREE FIVE (GREEN CAP TWO) WITH A TOT OF 042205Z AUG RPT 042205Z AUG. THIS TRAGET IS LOCATED IN QUNAG TRI PROVINCE, SVN.
2. (S) MACV PROPOSES TO STRIKE QUANG NAM TWENTY-EIGHT A (BLUE SEA FOUR) WHICH IS LOCATED IN LAOS, THIRTY-FIVE MINUTES AFTER GREEN CAP TWO. PCESS ANNOUNCEMENT AND PRESS QUERIES WILL BE HANDLED AS OUTLINED IN REFSZ.

3. (S) REQUEST THE FOLLOWING TIMING APPLY FOR THE ARC LIGHT STRIKE PSTFPBLO: (REF B CONTAINS TACTICS).

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AGG' ? / , - - SIX 042240Z AUG RPT 042240Z AUG
TWENTY-EIGHH A (6)
(BLUE SEA FOUR)

(1) SUBJECT TO EXECUTION APPROVAL, THIS MESSAGE CONSTITUTES CONFIRMATION. DO NOT RELEASE ANY BOMBS AFTER 042255Z RPT 042255Z.

(2) GROUND EXPLOITATION IS NOT SVHEDULED.

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SUBJ: ARC LIGHT STRIKE REQUEST (U)
REF A: COMUSMACV 26569 DTG 020133Z (S)
1. (S) REQUEST EXECUTION OF THE ARC LIGHT STRIKE LISTED
BELOW: (REF A CONTAINS TACTICS).

TARGET	ACFT	TOT
A. QUANG TRI	SIX	042205Z AUG RPT 042205Z AUG
ONE THREE FIVE	(6)	
(GREEN CAP TWO)		

(1) SUBJECT TO EXECUTION APPROVAL, THIS MESSAGE CONSTITUTES
CONFIRMATION. BBSRELEASE ANY BOMBS AFTER JSRWWPZ RPT 042220Z.
(2) GROUND EXPLOITATION IS NOT SCHEDULED.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L CCN 26739

1. (C) I CTZ:

A. OPN BUCKS CONTINUES WITH NO CONTACT REPORTED. DURING HOURS OF DARKNESS ELEMENTS OF 3/1 MAR BN ESTABLISHED BLOCKING POSITION ON BOUNDARIES OF AO, AND AT FIRST LIGHT USMC/ARVN TEAMS BEGAN SEARCH OF AREA. J-2 OB CARRIES IN THE AO 507TH VC BN (L) WITH A STRENGTH OF 300 AND TWO UNIDENTIFIED VC COMPANIES OF 150 MEN EACH.

B. OPNS HASTINGS/LAM SON 289B AND MACON CONTINUE WITHOUT SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED OR CHANGE IN MISSIONS.

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C. CUM RESULTS: FRIENDLY

	HASTINGS	MACON
	US/VN/TOT	US
KIA	126/21/147	9
WIA	448/40/488	51
	VIET CONG	
KIA	882	208
VCC	15	1
VCS	0	26
IWPNS	288	4
C/S WPNS	28	1
NGF	N/A	N/A

2. (C) II CTZ:

A. OPN PAUL REVERE CONT NO CONTACT REPORTED SINCE MY 022250Z AUG. REVISED RESULTS FOR ALL CONTACTS ON 2 AUG: FRO: KIA, 52 WIA; VC: 57 KIA.

B. OTHER MAJOR OPNS CONT NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED.

C. CUM RESULTS OF MAJOR OPNS FOLLOW:

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	HAYES	PAUL REVERE	JOHN PAUL JONES	SU BOX
	US	US/VN/TOT	US/ROK/TOT	ROK
KIA	0	79/16/95	5/0/5	21
WIA	0	411/41/452	4/0/4	70
MIA	0	HK 2/10/12	0/0/0	IR 0

VIET CONG

	HAYES	PAUL REVERE	JOHN PAUL JONES	SU BOX
	US	US/VC/TOT	US/ROK/TOT	ROK
KIA	0	642/76/718	19/38/57	265
VCC	0	68/6/74	3/2/5	29
VCS	0	40/5/45	7/27/34	122
IWPNS	3	237/15/252	6/29/35	78
C/S WPNS	0	17/0/17	0/0/0	2
AIR SORTIES)		28/745	3/72	528
NGF MSNS N/U		N/A	10	0

3. (C) III CTZ:
- A. ALL MAJOR OPNS CONT NO SIGNIFICANT CONTAC.
 - B. CUMULATIVE TOTALS FOLLOW:

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	US	US	US	US
KIA	0	7	0	0
WIA	0	5	0	9
MIA	0	0	0	0
VIET CONG				
KIA	0	34	0	3
VCC	0	25	0	3
VCS	0	100	0	2
IWPNS	0	17	0	1
C/S WPNS	0	1	0	0
AIR SORTIES	289	261	0	34
NGF	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

B. (H) IV CTZ: NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT SINCE MY 022250Z.

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A2. GREEN CAP I

A3. 02/2248Z

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	ACFT	SK	VC				
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D1.	17 752	ANDERSEN	ROUTE	OAP	03/1630Z	03/2225Z	04PET1Z
			"HASTINGS"				
D2.	6	KC135	KADENA		03/1823Z		03/2303Z

Z. REMARKS: NONE

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C O N F I D E N T I A L CGN 26839

1. (C) I CTZ:

A. OPN HASTINGS TERMINATED 031200H. FINAL RESULTS:
 FRD: 147 KIA, 488 WIA, 7 IWPNS LOST; VC: 882 KIA, 15 VCC, 228
 WIPNS AND 26 C/S WPNS CPTR.

B. OPN PRARIE COMMENCED 031201H. AO GENERALLY SAME AS
 HASTINGS. 4TH MARINE REGT CNTRL HQ. 1/4, 2/4, 3/4, 1/2 PARTICIPA-
 TING. ONE BN REQUIRED TO BE IN AO.

C. OPN MACON. OP CALLED ARTY FIRE ON 35 VC AT

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031200H. RESULTS: VC: 10 KIA.

D. REMAINING OPNS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT.

2. (C) II CTZ:

A. OPN PAUL REVERE CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPT
 SINCE MY 031002Z. 2/7 CAV (-) CLOSED VIC ZAO234 AT 032000H.
 1/9 CAV (-) CLOSED VIC CATECKA (ZAO230) AT 032325H.

B. ALL OTHER MAJOR OPNS CONT W/O SIGNIFICANT CONTACT
 REPT OR CHG IN MSN SINCE MY 031002Z.

3. (U) III CTZ: OPN AURORA II TERM 031900H. FINAL RESULTS
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4. (U) IV CTZ: NO SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY REPORTED.

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(FIGHTING IN TRENCHES), THROWING GRENADES, ATTACKING
FORTIFIED POSITIONS, AND CLOSE COMBAT WITH THE BAYONET.
THIS IS THE SAME TYPE TRAINING THE VC RECEIVE IN THE
JUNGLE TRAINING AREAS, AND OFTEN THE TRAINING IS
CONDUCTED BY NVA CADRE PROVIDED SPECIFICALLY FOR
THE TASK. IT DOES APPEAR THAT NVA UNITS RECEIVE MORE
TRAINING TIME, ALTHOUGH THIS VARIES FROM FIFTEEN DAYS
TO SEVERAL MONTHS, AND WOULD BE CONSIDERED MINIMAL BY
US STANDARDS.

COUNTERGUERRILLA OPERATIONS

MARINES OPERATING IN THE THREE TACTICAL
AREAS CONDUCTED 429 SMALL UNIT PATROL AND AMBUSH
ACTIONS ON 3 AUGUST. NEARLY ONE OUT OF EVERY TEN
PATROLS OR AMBUSHES ESTABLISHED CONTACT (40 CONTACTS)
WITH THE ENEMY GUERRILLA ELEMENT, AND DURING THE
ENSUING ACTIONS, NINE VC WERE CONFIRMED KILLED, TWO
CAPTURED AND THIRTY-THREE SUSPECTS APPREHENDED.

EIGHT OF THE NINE ENEMY CASUALTIES WERE
KILLED IN THE AREA SOUTH OF DA NANG. FIVE VC WERE
CONFIRMED KILLED WHILE ON A SCOUTING PATROL FROM 2D BN,

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(3) ALTHOUGH IN THE DANANG AREA, THE 3D BN, 4TH MARINES CONTINUED OPERATION BUCKS SOUTH OF TRAPLE MOUNTAIN WITH LIGHT AND SPORADIC CONTACT.

(4) DETAILS OF THESE OPERATIONS MAY BE FOUND IN PARA 3.A.

B. ANALYSIS OF OPERATION HASTINGS

PRELIMINARY POST-BATTLE ANALYSIS BY III MAF OF THE OPERATION HAS REVEALED SOME INTERESTING FACTS ON THE DIFFERENCE IN TACTICS AND TECHNIQUES BETWEEN THE NVA AND VC FORCES. IN OPN HASTINGS, THE 324TH NVA DIVISION CHOSE AN AREA OF OPERATIONS THAT WAS ALMOST DEVOID OF VILLAGES, QUITE IN CONTRAST TO THE VC WHO DISPOSE THEMSELVES SO THAT WHEN THE TIME IS RIGHT, THEY CAN FALL BACK TO OR THROUGH A VILLAGE COMPLEX AND GAIN COVER FROM THE CIVIL POPULACE. THE NVA UNITS IN HASTINGS HAD NO SUCH ADVANTAGE. RATHER, THEY WERE WELL DUG IN WITH EXTENSIVE, IMPROVED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS. IN THIS DEFENSIVE EFFORT THEY EXHIBITED EXCELLENT CAMOUFLAGE DISCIPLINE, WHICH ALSO CHARACTERIZES VC UNITS.

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THE ONE MAJOR DIFFERENCE IN TACTICS AND TECHNIQUES BETWEEN THE VC AND NVA UNITS, HOWEVER, APPEARED TO RESULT FROM A DIFFERENCE IN EQUIPMENT, RATHER THAN TRAINING OR DOCTRINE. THE NVA UNITS ARE BETTER EQUIPPED IN SUPPORTING ARMS (RECOILLESS RIFLES, HEAVY MACHINE GUNS AND MORTARS) AND THEREFORE EMPLOY TACTICS THAT RELY MORE HEAVILY ON THESE WEAPONS. AN EXAMPLE OF THIS COORDINATED USE OF FIRE POWER WAS THE 18 JULY ATTACK ON COMPANY K, 3D BN, 4TH MARINES WHICH WAS CHARACTERIZED BY AN INITIAL MORTAR BARRAGE, FOLLOWED BY A PHYSICAL ASSAULT COUPLED WITH AN ASSAULT BY FIRE. THIS NVA ATTACK INVOLVED AN ESTIMATED ONE THOUSAND TROOPS, AND IS THE FIRST EXAMPLE OF THIS TYPE ATTACK EXPERIENCED BY US MARINE FORCES IN VIETNAM.

A SIMILARITY APPARENTLY EXISTS, HOWEVER, BETWEEN THE BASIC TRAINING RECEIVED BY THE NVA AND VC TROOPS. CAPTURED VC UNIFORMS AND NVA DOCUMENTS STATED THAT BASIC TRAINING CONSISTS PRIMARILY OF LEARNING TO FIRE THE RIFLE, SMALL UNIT TACTICS CONCERNING

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