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1 Bde, 101st Abn Div
Camp Evans, RVN

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Camp Eagle, RVN

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Chap, Hq Comdt,
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- CO, 1-502 Inf
- CO, 2-327 Inf
- CO, 1-321 Arty
- CO, ~~2~~-326 Engr
- CO, B/326 Med
- CO, 188th AHC
- CO, 2-17 Cav
- 2d F.A.SCP, 501st Sig
- 2d Fwd Spt Plat, 801 Maint
- 2d Plat, 101 MP Co
- 2d Plat, 265th RRC
- Tm 2, 101st MI Det
- 34th PI
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- 3d Bde, 82d Abn Div, Camp Eagle, RVN
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SUBJECT: Commander's Situation Report
102001H Apr 68 - 112000H Apr 68

1. (C) Operations Summary:

a. General: TF 2d Bde, 101st Abn Div continues to conduct offensive operations in support of Operation CARLENTAN II to locate and destroy VC/NVA forces, bases, and logistics in the coastal plains area and provide security for Camp Evans, LZ Jane, and WUNDER Beach. Enemy contact was light during the reporting period with the exception of a very successful operation conducted by 2-501 Inf that terminated after all NVA troops had either been killed, captured or surrendered following over 24 hrs of continuous contact. Today's statistics: Friendly losses - 3 US KIA, 19 WIA (14 medevac); Enemy assessment: 60 NVA KIA (BC), 13 NVA POW, 10 AK-47, 5 SKS, 1 CHICOM carbine, 2 RPG, 3 LMG, 3 M16, 1 .45 cal pistol, 1 7.62 pistol.

b. 1-501 Inf. OPCOM 3d Bde, 82d Abn Div. 11 2000

c. 2-501 Inf. Apr 1968

(1) Co's A, B and D. Throughout the reporting period 1 6
 companies A, B and D continued to engage an estimated NVA company located in THON PHUOC DIEM (H) vic YD475485. The objective

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area was illuminated by flare ships and artillery was fired throughout the night. From 102000H to 110730H there were 12 incidents of enemy or friendly initiated firing as a result of the cordon around the village. The enemy used SA, AW, RPG and mortar fire against the cordon in attempts to leave the village. Enemy was engaged with SA/AW, 90mm RH (BEEHIVE) and artillery fire. During this period there were the following results: Friendly losses - 2 KIA, 11 WIA; Enemy losses - 36 NVA KIA (BC), 2 NVA POW's.

At 0923 hrs Co A moved to a blocking position vic YD473494. Co D moved to an attack position vic YD476487. Co B moved 1 plat to a blocking position vic YD472484 and Co (-) moved to attack position vic YD476484 at 1115 hrs. At 1230 hrs Co's D and B (-) moved NW and entered the village at 1312 hrs sweeping to the NW. At 1455 hrs Co B received sniper fire. Co D maneuvered and employed seven E-8 CS munitions in support of Co B. The snipers were flushed from their position resulting in 3 NVA KIA (BC). Co's D and B completed the sweep of the village at 1650 hrs and returned to FSB HARDCORE. As the companies cleared the objective area a 4.2" mortar barrage was placed on the objective area at 1720 hrs. Co A moved at 1645 hrs to FSB HARDCORE closing at 1727 hrs. Co's D and B closed FSB HARDCORE at 1756 hrs and 1800 hrs respectively. Co's D and B then moved by truck to WUNDER Beach closing at 1909 hrs and 1913 hrs respectively. During this period there were the following results: Friendly losses - 1 KIA, 8 WIA; Enemy losses - 24 NVA KIA (BC), 11 NVA POW. Recapitulated results: Friendly losses - 3 KIA, 19 WIA (14 medevac); Enemy losses - 60 NVA KIA (BC), 13 NVA POW, 10 AK-47, 5 SAS, 1 CHICOM carbine, 2 RPG, 3 IMG, 3 M16, 1 .45 cal pistol, 1 7.62 pistol, 1816 rds SA ammo, 13 60mm mortar rds (destroyed), 6 B-40 rds (destroyed), and 4 CHICOM grenades (destroyed).

(2) Co C. Provided minesweep security from WUNDER Beach to FSB HARDCORE. Conducted company size RIF operation from YD461523 SE to vic YD487512, then N to WUNDER Beach. Neg cas; neg enemy assessment.

(3) Recon Plat. Provided minesweep security from FSB HARDCORE to QL 1. Upon completion of minesweep, returned to FSB HARDCORE to provide security.

(4) Location of Bn elements at close of reporting period: Bn CP - WUNDER Beach; Co A - FSB HARDCORE; Co B - YD483558; Co C - YD497557; Co D - YD482566; Recon Plat - FSB HARDCORE.

d. 1-502 Inf.

(1) Co A. At 2105 hrs vic YD533247 received 10-15 satchel charges and RFG rounds into NDP position also received a few rounds of SA fire, engaged with arty, neg cas, neg assessment. Co A remained in place until 1400 hrs as a RRF. Relieved of RRF mission at 1400 hrs and conducted RIF to NDP vic YD558252. Neg cas; neg enemy assessment.

(2) Co B. Conducted RIF operation from NDP vic YD593267 to vic YD595276. Co B then moved to NDP vic YD581289.

(3) Co C. At 0500 hrs moved from Camp Evans to a blocking position vic YD554306 for a combined operation conducted with the Recon Plat and a PF Co. At 1245 hrs moved from blocking position to Camp Evans, closing at 1330 hrs. Neg cas; neg enemy assessment.

(4) Co D. Provided security at PHONG DIEM bridge at YD519348 and the bridge vic YD476377. At 2033 hrs, ambush vic YD486368 engaged 4 personnel moving NW with M16 and M79 fire. Enemy returned fire with AW fire. Neg cas; neg enemy assessment. One plat conducted RIF vic YD497364 to YD480382 to YD519348. Conducted minesweep security from PHONG DIEM bridge N to AO boundary. Neg cas; neg enemy assessment.

(5) Recon Plat. Conducted a joint RIF operation with one PF Co from vic YD571314 and YD558320 to vic YD549307 where link up was made with Co C occupying a blocking position. At 1115 hrs PF forces made contact with a 5 man force vic YD552311, resulting in 3 VC KIA (BC) and 1 Thompson SMG and 1 AK-47. Neg friendly casualties; enemy assessments (credited to PF).

(6) Locations of Bn elements at close of reporting period: Bn CP - Camp Evans; Co A - YD558252; Co B - YD582288; Co C - Camp Evans; Co D - YD522348; Recon Plat - YD568316.

(7) Remarks. Co C 2-12 Cav closed Camp Evans 11 Apr and was placed OPCOM to 1-502 Inf 111700H. Co C NDP vic YD517293 and conducted local ambushes.

e. 2-327 Inf.

(1) Co A. Ambushed vic YD391461. Provided security at LZ Jane. Two platoons conducted RIF to vic YD381441. Neg cas; neg enemy assessments.

(2) Co B. CP and Co (-) remained at HAI LANG. Provided minesweep security of QL 1 in assigned AO. Reinforced paramilitary forces at critical bridge sites YD460400 and YD436433 with one rifle plat at each location. Neg cas; neg enemy assessment.

(3) Co C. Provided security at LZ Jane. Secured minesweep team along LZ Jane access road. Provided security along LZ Jane access road. Neg cas; neg enemy assessment.

(4) Recon Plat. Ambushed vic YD399448 and YD368436. Provided security for LZ Jane. Neg cas; neg enemy assessment.

(5) Locations of Bn elements at close of reporting period: Bn CP - LZ Jane; Co A - LZ Jane; Co B - YD418477; Co C - LZ Jane; Recon Plat - LZ Jane.

f. 2-17 Cav.

(1) Trp A. OPCOM to 2-501 Inf effective 101956 Apr upon closure at FSB HARDCORE. Provided security for FSB HARDCORE.

(2) Trp B. OPCOM to 2-501 Inf effective 102050 Apr upon closure at WUNDER Beach. Provided security for WUNDER Beach. Reverted back to OPCOM of 2-17 Cav effective 111945 Apr upon closure at Camp Evans.

(3) Aero Rifle Plat. OPCOM to Trp B.

(4) 2d Plat, Trp A 3-5 Cav. OPCOM to Trp A.

(5) Locations of Squadrons elements at close of reporting period:

Sqdn CP - Camp Evans; Trp A - FSB HARDCORE; Trp B - Camp Evans; ARP - Camp Evans.

2. (C) Plans Summary:

a. 1-501 Inf. OPCOM 3d Bde, 82d Abn Div.

b. 2-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. Ambush vic YD448495 and YD441493. Provide minesweep security from FSB HARDCORE to QL 1. Conduct RIF to vic YD437493, YD416504, YD534523 and YD450510.

(2) Co B. Ambush vic YD463584. Conduct RIF from WUNDER Beach to SE along the coast to vic YD502555 to vic YD545525 where Co will be picked up by BAKC and returned to WUNDER Beach.

(3) Co C. Ambush vic YD509538 and YD502533. Stand down and prepare for future operations.

(4) Co D. Ambush vic YD467548 and YD466535. Conduct RIF vic YD465550, YD453567, YD468582, and YD478572.

(5) Recon Plat. Provide minesweep security from WUNDER Beach to FSB H.RDCORE. Conduct RIF from FSB H.RDCORE to vic YD473522, YD483533, and YD480550.

c. 1-502 Inf.

Bn will conduct move by convoy and CH-47 to LZ Sally. Bn Hqs and Co C will move from Camp Evans to LZ Sally commencing approx 1200 hrs. Co's A and B will move from field positions to LZ Sally and conduct local ambushes. Co D will continue to secure bridges YD519348 and YD476377 until relieved by 2-17 Cav on 13 Apr.

d. 2-327 Inf.

(1) Co A. Ambush vic YD4344. Provide security of perimeter at LZ Jane.

(2) Co B. Ambush vic YD4447 and YD4540. Provide minesweep security of QL 1 in assigned AO. Reinforce paramilitary forces at critical bridge sites vic YD460400 and YD436433 with one plat at each location.

(3) Co C. Ambush vic YD3643 and YD3945. Provide security of perimeter at LZ Jane. Provide security for minesweep team along LZ Jane access road. Conduct RIF to vic YD3945.

(4) Recon Plat. OPCOM to Co C.

e. 2-17 Cav.

(1) 2-17 Cav (-). Conduct maintenance and prepare for future operations.

(2) Trp A. OPCOM to 2-501 Inf. Convoy from FSB H.RDCORE to Camp Evans when road is open. Return to OPCOM 2-17 Cav and conduct maintenance and prepare for future operations.

3. (C) Cumulative results: Operation CALUMET II.

a. Friendly losses: 26 US KIA (includes 2 KIA previously reported as 2 MIA), 116 US WIA (79 medevac).

b. Enemy assessment:

(1) Personnel: 107 NVA KIA (BC), 33 VC KIA (BC).

(2) Weapons: 1 K-44, 7 SRS carbines, 1 SMG, 1 P-38 pistol, 13 AA-47, 3 M16, 3 M1 rifles, 4 LMG, 1 CHICOM carbine, 2 RPG, 1 .45 cal pistol, 1 7.62 pistol and 9 122mm rockets.

(3) Munitions: 1976 rds SA, 13 60mm mortar rds (destroyed), 6 B-40 rds (destroyed), and 4 CHICOM grenades (destroyed). Group 4