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CO, 2d Bde, 101st Abn Div  
LZ SALLY, RVN

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S4, S5, Avn O,  
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Surg, Hq Comdt,  
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| INFO: CO, 1-501 Inf                     | (Message Center) |
| CO, 2-501 Inf                           | "                |
| CO, 1-502 Inf                           | "                |
| CO, 1-321 Arty                          | "                |
| CO, C/326 Engr                          | "                |
| CO, B/326 Med                           | "                |
| CO, 188th AHC                           | "                |
| CO, 2-17 Cav                            | "                |
| 2d FASCP, 501st Sig                     | "                |
| 2d Fwd Spt Plat, 801 Maint              | "                |
| 2d Plat, 101st MP Co                    | "                |
| 2d Plat, 265th RRC                      | "                |
| Tm 2, 101st MI Det                      | "                |
| 34th PI                                 | "                |
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SUBJECT: Commander's Situation Report  
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1. (C) Operations Summary:

a. General: TF 2d Bde, 101st Abn Div continued to conduct offensive operations in support of Operation DELAWARE to locate and destroy VC/NVA forces, bases and logistics in the coastal plains area. Contact was light with a total of 7 contacts.

Today's statistics: Friendly losses - 2 US MIA, 9 US WIA (8 medevac); Enemy assessment - 6 NVA KIA (BC), 7 VC KIA (BC), 1 RPG-2 launcher and 1 German Mauser rifle (both had been destroyed by arty), 1500 rds SA, 9 60mm mortar rounds (destroyed), 2 82mm mortar rounds (destroyed).

b. 1-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. Occupied NDP vic YD678273 with ambushes vic YD683276, YD680275, YD674373 and YD685274. Conducted RIF operation to vic YD683291 and established NDP with local ambushes. At 1410 hrs vic YD684286 engaged 5 NVA. Arty supported. Results - 2 NVA KIA (BC).

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(2) Co B. Occupied NDP vic YD618274 with ambushes vic YD616268, YD615279, YD613273 and YD609267. Conducted RIF operation to vic YD625241 and established NDP with local ambushes.

(3) Co C. OPCON 2-17 Cav.

(4) Co D. Occupied NDP vic YD657254 with ambushes vic YD658239, YD652252 and YD661248. Conducted RIF operation to vic YD671239 and established NDP with local ambushes.

(5) Recon Plat. Ambushed vic YD634259, returned to LZ SALLY 0630 hrs. At 1630 hrs departed LZ SALLY with 1 plat PF and 1 plat RF. Moved west to vic YD609269 and established NDP with ambushes along E bank of SONG BO River.

(6) Co E (-). Provided minesweep security N and S from LZ SALLY. At 0955 hrs vic YD643293 minesweep team received 3 rounds sniper fire. Neg cas.

(7) Locations of Bn elements at close of reporting period: Bn CP - LZ SALLY; Co A - YD683291; Co B - YD625241; Co C - OPCON 2-17 Cav; Co D - YD671239; Recon Plat - YD609269.

c. 2-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. Conducted RIF operation from NDP vic YD712312 SW to vic YD699303. At 1310 hrs an arty prep was fired vic YD700302. At 1330 hrs received sporadic SA/AW fire vic YD699301. Continued to move towards village at YD699303. At 1430 hrs, the contact developed and the enemy force was estimated to be a reinforced NVA plat or company which employed SA, AW and RPG fire. Friendly casualties were 2 MIA and 3 WIA (including 2 WIA from BBT grenade that was detonated during contact). Friendly forces pulled back and employed arty, LFT, and TAC Air. Contact broke 1645 hrs. BDA of 3 air strikes placed on the enemy location between 1705 hrs and 1812 hrs was 4 NVA KIA (BC). Established NDP vic YD710305. Results: 2 US MIA, 3 US WIA (med-evac); Enemy assessment - 4 NVA KIA (BC).

(2) Co B. Conducted RIF operation from NDP vic YD668311 to vic YD692323 and established NDP and local ambush. At 1115 hrs received SA fire from vic YD675314. Returned fire and arty supported. Neg cas; neg enemy assessment.

(3) Co C. Conducted RIF operation from NDP vic YD724324 to vic YD709335 and established NDP and local ambushes. At 1910 hrs vic YD707335 received SA and AW fire from the N. Engaged with arty. Neg cas; neg enemy assessment.

(4) Co D. Conducted RIF operation from NDP vic YD738302 to vic YD712313 and established NDP and local ambushes. Neg cas; neg enemy assessment.

(5) Recon Plat. Provided security for Btry B 1-321 Arty vic YD688339.

(6) Locations of Bn elements at close of reporting period: Bn CP - YD686340; Co A - YD710305; Co B - YD692323; Co C - YD709335; Co D - YD712313; Recon Plat - YD688339.

d. 2-17 Cav.

(1) Trp A. Occupied NDP vic YD605316 with ambush vic YD612368. 1 plat conducted RIF operation from NDP to vic YD632313, YD621311, YD633325 and returned NDP. At 1330 hrs vic YD 635325 received SA fire from an estimated enemy squad. Fire was returned. Neg cas; neg enemy assessment. 2d plat departed NDP and moved to AN LO Bridge, closed 1730 hrs. 2d plat OPCON to Co C 1-501 Inf effective 1730 hrs. Results: neg cas; neg enemy assessment.

(2) Trp B. Occupied NDP vic YD482444 with ambush vic YD612368. Conducted RIF operation from NDP to vic YD491463, YD494457, and to YD498463. Crossed SONG O LAU River and established NDP with Co B 4-31 Inf vic YD505459 with ambush vic YD504465. At 1415 hrs vic YD496458 discovered cache of 1500 rds SA ammo, 2 RPG-2 rds, 3 60mm mortar rds. At 1635 hrs vic YD501464 found 1 RPG-2 launcher and 1 Germain Mauser rifle (both had been destroyed by arty). Results: neg cas; enemy assessment - 1 RPG-2 launcher (destroyed), 1 German Mauser rifle (destroyed), 1500 rds SA, 2 RPG-2 rds (destroyed), 3 60mm mortar rds (destroyed).

(3) Co B, 4-31 Inf. Occupied NDP vic YD496443 with ambush vic YD498447. Conducted RIF operation from NDP to vic YD493443, YD494450 and YD506458. Established NDP vic YD505459 with ambush vic YD504465. At 242044 hrs vic NDP received 2 RPG-2 rds and AW fire. Neg cas. At 0630 hrs vic NDP

received 2 60mm mortar rounds. Results 6 US WIA (5 medevac). At 0800 hrs received 1 60mm mortar round vic NDP. Neg cas. Arty fired on suspected enemy position vic YD497434. Results: 7 VC KIA (BC). At 0917 hrs vic YD500438 observed 5-6 VC with weapons. Arty fired. Neg enemy assessment. At 1045 hrs vic YD500440 found and destroyed 3 60mm mortar rounds. At 1425 hrs vic YD485445 found and destroyed 2 82mm mortar rounds and 3 60mm mortar rounds. Results: 6 US WIA (5 medevac); enemy assessment - 7 VC KIA (BC), 6 60mm mortar rounds (destroyed), 2 82mm mortar rounds (destroyed).

(4) Co C 1-501 Inf. Provided security at AN LO Bridge. Established ambush vic YD630295. 1 plat with 3 sqds RF conducted RIF to vic YD6029. At 1440 hrs vic YD612291 discovered 6 60mm mortar fuzes vic of enemy minefield. Established a daylight ambush with neg results.

(5) Aero Rifle Plat. 2 sqds provided security at FSB BELCHER. Plat (-) moved from Camp EVANS to vic YD605316. Closed 1715 hrs. OPCON to Trp A effective 1715 hrs.

(6) 2/A/3-5 Cav. Moved from vic AN LO Bridge to vic YD605316. Closed 1720 hrs. OPCON to Trp A effective 1720 hrs.

(7) Locations of Squadron elements at close of reporting period: Sqdn CP - YD465386; Trp A - YD605316; Trp B - YD505459; Aero Rifle Plat - YD605316; Co C 1-501 Inf - YD623304; Co B 4-31 Inf - YD505459; 2/A/3-5 Cav - YD605316.

(8) Remarks: 2d Bde HHC Security Plat moved from YD605316 to the AN LO Bridge with the 2d plat of Trp A to continue training on 106mm RR.

## 2. (C) Plans Summary:

### a. 1-501 Inf,

(1) Co A. Conduct RIF operation from NDP vic YD683291 SE along S side of SONG BO River to vic YD688272, then E to vic YD706269. Cross to N side of river vic YD711275, continue NW to establish NDP vic YD695288.

(2) Co B. Conduct RIF operation from NDP vic YD625241 to foothills vic YD6023, YD6123, YD6223 and YD6222.

(3) Co C. OPCON 2-17 Cav.

(4). Co D. With 1 plat PF attached conduct local patrols from NDP vic YD671239, reconnoitering for night ambush sites.

(5) Co E (-). Provide minesweep security N and S from LZ SALLY,

(6) Recon Plat. In conjunction with 1 PF plat and 1 RF plat, conduct local patrols from NDP vic YD609269, reconnoitering for night ambush sites.

b. 2-501 Inf. Companies A, B, C and D will conduct a joint operation converging on an objective area, center of mass vic YD693304.

(1) Co A. Conduct RIF operation from NDP vic YD710306 SW to vic YD704296, then E to vic objective area.

(2) Co B. Conduct RIF operation from NDP vic YD693324 SW to vic YD684309, then SE towards the objective area.

(3) Co C. Conduct RIF operation from NDP vic YD709335 SE to vic YD703313, then SE towards the objective area.

(4) Co D. Remain vic NDP at YD719309 as Bn RRF. Be prepared to conduct a combat assault to the SW of the objective area vic YD687295.

(5) Recon Plat. Provide security for Btry B 1-321 Arty vic YD688339. During the day provide security for Engineers repairing bridge vic YD668324.

c. 2-17 Cav.

(1) Trp A. Conduct RIF from NDP vic YD605316 NW to vic YD5735, then NE to vic YD6038 and establish NDP. 1 plat OPCON to Co C 1-501 Inf at AN LO Bridge.

(2) Trp B and Co B 4-31 Inf. Conduct RIF operation from NDP vic YD505459 SE along the highway to vic YD5741 and establish NDP.

(3) Co C 1-501 Inf. Provide security for AN LO Bridge. Conduct plat size RIF operation to NE and SW of AN LO Bridge.

(4) Aero Rifle Plat. 2 sqds provide security for FSB BELCHER. Plat (-) OPCON to Trp A.

(5) 2/A/3-5 Cav. OPCON to Trp A.

(6) 2d Bde HHC Security Plat. OPCON to Co C 1-501 Inf. Conduct training on 106mm RR.

## 3. (C) Cumulative results: Operation DELAWARE.

a. Friendly losses: 10 US KIA, 2 US MIA, 85 US WIA (75 medevac).

b. Enemy assessment:

(1) Personnel: 200 NVA KIA (BC), 7 NVA POW, 14 VC KIA (BC).

(3) Weapons: 22 SKS, 22 AK-47's, 2 LMG, 1 7.62 Soviet Assault Rifle, 1 M2 carbine, 3 RPG-2 launcher's, 1 RPG-7 launcher, 1 CHICOM pistol, 6 AK-47's (destroyed), 2 SKS (destroyed), 1 RPG-2 launcher (destroyed), 1 German Mauser Rifle (destroyed), 1 82mm mortar sight, 1 RPG-2 launcher sight.

(3) Munitions: 12 82mm mortar rounds (destroyed), 9 60mm mortar rounds (destroyed), 6 90mm rounds (destroyed), 9 CHICOM grenades (destroyed), 16 sticks TNT (destroyed), 2450 rounds SA, 2 RPG-2 rounds (destroyed), 2 RPG-7 (destroyed), 2 BBT (destroyed). Group 4