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> CO, 2d Bde, 101st Abn Div (Airmobile) LZ SALLY, RVN CG, 101st Abn Div (Airmobile) Camp EAGLE, RVN

INTERNAL: CO, DCC. S1, S2, S3, S4, S5. Awn O, Sig.O, Hq Comdt, Surg, Chap, Arty LNO, TACP

INFC: CO, 1-501 Inf (Message Center) CO, 2-501 Inf п CC, 1-502 Inf 11 co, 1-327 Inf CO, 1-321 Arty CO, C/326 Engr CO, B/326 Med CO, C/801 Maint CO, 188th AHC 2d FASCP, 501st Sig 2d Plat, 265th RRC 2d Plat, 101st MI Det 34th FI 1st Ede, 101st Abn Div (Airmobile), Camp EAGLE, RVN " 3d Bde, 82d Abn Div, Camp EAGLE, RVN 1st Air Cav Div, Camp EVANS, RVN 47th Scout Dog Flat

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SUBJECT: Commander's Situation Report 052001H Sep 68 - 062000H Sep 68

(C) Operations Summary:

General: 2d Bde, 101st Abn Div (Airmobile) continued to conduct offensive operations in support of Operation NEVADA EAGLE to limit and disrupt attempts made by the enemy to extort the WN rice production throughout the coastal plains area and to seek out and destroy enemy forces and installations in the 2d Ede AO. There was no contact throughout the reporting period. Offensive operations were limited as tropical storm "BESS" left much of the coastal plains area inundated. As the high winds subsided during the day, many units were resupplied by helicopter and the extraction of the 1-327 Inf was completed, with their operational control returning to the 1st Bds at 1625 hrs. The 1-501 TAC CP and A Btry 1-321 Arty moved by CH-47 from the flooded FSB MON-6 GOOSE to COL CO Beach. Sen

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(1) TAC CF. Displaced from FSB MONGDOSE to COL CO Beach operational at COL CC Beach effective 1600 hrs.

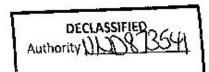
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- (2) Co A. Provided security for COL CO Beach and ambushed vic YD8693Q4.
- (3) Co B. Occupied night psn vic YD807231 and ambushed vic YD804230 and YD809228.
- (4) Co C. Frovided security for FSB MONGOOSE, occupied strong points along POL pipeline, provided security for LCU Ramp, and provided Maison at HUE Bridges.
- (5) Co D. Occupied might psn vic YD831238 and ambushed vic YD824233, YD833273, YD832236 and YD815246.
 - (6) Recon Plat. Provided security for TAC CF.
- (7) Location of Bn elements at close of reporting period: Bn CF YD845320; Co A YD845320; Co B YD807231; Co C YD788272; Co D YD835236; Recon Flat YD845320.

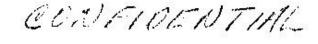
c. 2-501 Inf.

- (1) Co A. Provided security for FSB T-BONE and ambushed vic YD652239, YD643243, and YD662190. Ist plat patrolled to IZ SALLY from YD652309, closed 1040 hrs. At 1747 hrs conducted heliborne movement to IZ vic YD647246, closed 1800 hrs and established ambushes.
- (2) Co B. Occupied might psn vic YD565174 and ambushed vic YD576171, YD584171, and YD566174. 1st plat conducted local patrols from vic YD565174 and 2d plat remained vic YD576171.
- (3) Co C. Occupied night psn vic YD596163 and embushed vic YD598162. Conducted local patrols vic YD596163. At 1330 hrs the 2d plat moved by CH-47 to LZ SALLY, closed 1343 hrs.
- (4) Co D. Occupied might pan vic YD628223 and ambushed vic YD606247, YD620247, and YD634215. Ist plat moved from YD606247 to LZ SALLY, closed 1045 hrs. At 1700 hrs departed on RIF to vic YD628237, and established ambushes. 2d plat conducted RIF from OP APACHE to LZ SALLY, closing at 1245 hrs. At 1700 hrs departed LZ SALLY on RIF to vic YD642228 and established ambushes. 3d plat from vic YD630217 conducted RIF to vic YD623224 and then to OP AFACHE, closed at 1000 hrs.

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- (5) Recon Plat. OFCON Co A. Ambushed vic YD632255 and YD640255.

 Conducted RIF from YD632255 to LZ SALLY. At 1750 hrs conducted heliborne movement to LZ vic YD667232, closed 1808 hrs and established ambushes.
- (6) Location of Bn elements at close of reporting period: Bn CF FSB T-BONE; Co A FSB T-BONE; Co B YD565174; Co C YD596164; Co D YD628223; Recon Plat YD674241.

d. 1-502 Inf.

- (1) Co A. Occupied night psn vic YD614319 and ambushed vic YD600310, YD605310, and YD610312. At 1355 hrs the 2d plat returned by CH-47 from COL CO Beach, closing at 1410 hrs at IZ vic YD604308.
 - (2) Co B. Conducted standdown at LZ SALLY.
- (3) Co C. Provided security for AN LO Bridge and ambushed vic YD605285 and YD603293.
- (4) Co D. Occupied might psn vic YD697298 and ambushed vic YD676297.

 At 1219 hrs moved by utility helicopter from night psns to LZ SALLY, closed 1354 hrs.
- (5) Recon Plat. Occupied might pen vic YD717310. At 1356 hrs moved by utility helicopter to LZ SALLY, closed 1221 hrs.
 - (6) 3/C/2-34 Armor. Plat (-) OPCON Co C, 3 tanks OPCON Co A.
- (7) Location of En elements at close of reporting period: En CP FSB MONGCOSE; Co A YD614319; Co D YD615337; Co C AN LO Bridge; Co D LZ SALLY; Recon Plat LZ SALLY; 3/C/2-34 Armor OPCON Co A.
 - e. 1-327 Inf. Returned to operational control of 1st Ede at 1625 hrs.
 - .. (1) Go A. Provided security for FSB BASTOGNE.
- (2) Co B. Occupied night psn vic YD568167 and ambushed vic YD567167 and YD568160. At 1532 hrs began extraction from PZ vic YD567168 to FSB VECHLL, closed 1603 hrs.
- (3) Co C. Occupied night pen vic YD560147 and ambushed vic YD652148 and YD561146. At 1513 hrs began extraction from PZ vic YD554147 to FSB BASTOGNE, closed 1535 hrs.

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- (4) Co D. Occupied night psn vic YD558147 and ambushed vic YD557147 and YD558148. At 1442 hrs began extraction from PZ vic YD554147 to FSB BASTOGNE, closed 1513 hrs.
- (5) Recon. Plat. Occupied night psn vic YD552162 and ambushed vic YD553161. At 1611 hrs began extraction from PZ vic YD552162 to FSB VECHEL, closed 1625 hrs.

2. (C) Plans Summary:

a. Ceneral. Magle flights will be emphasized throughout the coastal plains area of the Fde AO by the 1-501 Inf, 2-501 Inf, and 1-502 Inf. All Bn's will work with available FF/PF forces and NPFF personnel to capitalize on the temporary loss of many hiding places to the local VC and VC infrastructure due to the large section of the plains area inundated from the heavy rains.

b. 1-501 Inf.

- (1) Co B and 1 plat Co D. Conduct eagle flights throughout Dn AO, working with RF/PF and MPFF personnel.
 - (2) Co A. Provide security for COL CO Beach.
- (3) Co C. Continue to provide security for the closing out of FSB MONGOOSE, occupy strong points along POL pipeline, provide security for LCU Ramp and provide liaison at HUE Bridges.
- (4) Co D. Co (-) provide security for bulldowers vic YD835236 and YD832236, and conduct local patrols.
 - (5) Recon Plat. Assist in the security of COL CO Reach.

c. 2-501 Inf.

- (1) Conduct eagle flights with 2 plats Co D, Recon Flat, 1 plat Co A and available RF/PF forces. Tentative LZ's for areas of search are YD610235, YD647227, YD640220, and YD630240.
- (2) Co A. Frovide security for FSB T-BONE and eagle flight. 1 plat RIF from vic YD64318/4 to YD631198. 1 plat RIF from vic YD643255 to YD633203.
- (3) Co B. Cl and 1 plat remain vie YD565174. 1 plat RIF from vie YD577171 to YD576185 to YD580170. 1 plat RIF from YD563173 to YD565183 to YD567173.

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- (4) Co C. From night psn vic YD596164 RIF to vic YD588149 and to YD578141. Approx 0900 hrs the plat at LZ SALLY move by utility helicopter and join Co (-).
- (5) Co D. 1 plat occupy OP APACHE and conduct local patrols. Co (-) conduct eagls flights.
 - (6) Recon Plat. Conduct eagle flights.
 - d. 1-502 Inf.
- (1) Conduct eagle flights with Co D, Recon Plat, and available RF/FF forces. 2 plats Co B and 20 FF conduct eagle flight to LZ's vic YD635380 and YD650370, then conduct search of village areas vic LZ's. Then 1 sqd of Co D lifted to LZ vic YD632338 and block east, and 1 sqd of Co D lifted to LZ vic YD640346 and block south, followed by 1 sqd Co D and 20 FF's to LZ vic YD655346, then search to the blocking psns. Recon Plat and 20 FF's conduct eagle flights to LZ's vic YD725323, YD724317, YD727312, and YD714332. 40 FF's from AN THAN (YD748293) conduct local search opns.
 - (2) Co A. Approx 0830 hrs return to LZ SALLY for standdown.
- (3) Co B. 2d plat "Hepart LZ SALLY and relieve Co A of fortified OF's along QL 1 and 2 plat's RIF . vic YD6132.
- (4) Co C. Provide security for AN LO Bridge. 1 plat with 1 RF plat RIF to vic YD640320.
- f. 2d Bde HHC Security Plat. Secure minesweep Ni and S from LZ SALLY.
- 3. (C) Cumulative Results:
 - a. Friendly losses: 62 US KHA, 576 US WHA (451 medevac).
 - b. Enemy assessment:
- (1) Personnel: 457 NVA KIA (BC), 639 VC KIA (BC), 37 NVA POW, 262 VC POW, 29 returnees.
- (2) Weapons: Indiv wpns 416, crew served wpns 81, 141 SKS's, 36 M16's, 14 carbines, 18 sub MG's, 47 M1 carbines, 20 M2 carbines, 125 AK-47's, 15 RPG-2 launchers, 9 RPG-7 launchers, 3 P-38 pistols, 1 flare pistol (dest), 7 Russian rifles, 1 Springfield rifle, 10 BAR's, 4 AK-47's (dest), 14 9mm pistols, 15 AK-50's, 17 IMG's, 7 HMG's, 36 K-44's, 9 M1's, 14 .45 cal pistols, 1 82mm mortar

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- (3) Munitions: 29 CHICCM granades (dest), 63095 rds SA, 264 60mm mortar rds (dest), 331 B-40's (dest), 420 82mm mortar rds (dest), 6 250 lb bombs (dest), 161 lbs CHICOM C-4 (dest), 10 105mm rds (dest), 104 rds 57mm, 1 CHICOM claymore, 20 lbs TNT, 28 8lmm mortar rds.
- (4) Miscellaneous: 390.1 tons rice, 1 ton salt, 9000 lbs cement, 1 PRC-10, 1 CHICCM 2 wett radio, 1 CHICOM field phone and 1 CHICOM radio (NFI).