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

INTERNAL: CO, DCO,
S1, S2, S3, S4, S5,
Avn O, Sig O, Hq
Comdt, Surg, Chap,
Arty LNO, TACP

CG, 101st Abn Div (Airmobile)
Camp EAGLE, RVN

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, C/801 Maint	"
	CO, 188th AHC	"
	2d FASCP, 501st Sig	"
	2d Plat, 101st MP Co	"
	2d Plat, 265th RRC	"
	Tm 2, 101st MI Det	"
	34th PI	"
	1st Bde, 101st Abn Div (Airmobile), Camp EAGLE RVN	"
	3d Bde, 82d Abn Div, Camp EAGLE, RVN	"
	1st Cav Div (Airmobile), Camp EVANS, RVN	"
	47th Scout Dog Plat	"

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SUBJECT: Commander's Situation Report
092001H Sep 68 - 102000H Sep 68

1. (C) Operations Summary:

a. 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 VN rice production throughout the coastal plains area and to seek out and destroy enemy forces and installations in the 2d Bde AO. Contact was light with a total of 2 contacts. Today's statistics: 1 US KIA, 8 US MHA (7 medevac). Enemy assessment - 3 VC KIA (BC), 11 NVA KIA (BC), 1 ML6, 1 .45 pistol, 4 tons rice.

b. 1-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. Co (-) occupied night positions vic YD815248, and YD822238; 2d Plat was OPCON Co B until 1230 hrs. Co (-) conducted HIF to vic YD833243, to YD853255, then to YD864238, with the 2d Plat blocking from vic YD860240 to YD867237. At 0955 hrs, 1 sqd security element and 2 bulldozers moved to FSB MONGOOSE from YD822238, closed 1308 hrs. At 1400 hrs vic YD849228 sustained 4 US MHA (medevac), from 81mm or 105mm rd BBT. At 1648 hrs the sqd security element moved by utility helicopter from FSB MONGOOSE

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closed Co (-) vic YD868243.

(2) Co B. Occupied night blocking positions in cordon of village; 2/A from YD893237 to YD899233, Recon Plat from YD885244 to YD893237, CP and 3d Plat from YD883251 to YD881248 to YD885244, 1/B from YD899233 to YD905229 and 2/B from YD905229 to YD907233. Co (-) conducted search of village area from vic YD898237 to YD883249, with the 3d Plat blocking from vic YD879248 to YD883253. At 0748 hrs vic YD895235 sustained 1 US WHA (medevac) from unknown type BBT. At 0945 hrs vic YD894241 found and destroyed 1 BBT 60mm mortar rd and 1 BBT grenade. At 1010 hrs vic YD893242 sustained 1 US WHA (medevac) from a BBT 60mm mortar rd and vic YD883248 sustained 1 US WHA (medevac) from a BBT grenade. At 1630 hrs vic YD879250 engaged 1 VC with SA fire, resulting in 1 VC KIA (BC).

(3) Co C. Co (-) was relieved at 1250 hrs by C/1-502 of strong points along POL pipeline, security of POL pumping station, security of LCU Ramp, and liaison at HUE Bridges. At 1710 hrs Co (-) moved by CH-47 from FSB MONGOOSE to LZ vic YD869249, closed 1733 hrs. At 1755 hrs vic YD883244 sustained 1 US WHA from unknown type BBT. 3d Plat remained at FSB MONGOOSE securing equipment.

(4) Co D. Provided security for COL CO Beach and 3d Plat ambushed vic YD874303. The 3d Plat conducted RIF SE to vic YD902282 and secured LZ for Co (-). Co (-) was relieved at 1000 hrs by B/2-501 of security mission of COL CO Beach, and at 1102 hrs moved by CH-47 to LZ secured by 3d Plat, closed 1158 hrs. At 1420 hrs vic YD888286 sustained 1 US WHA from BBT grenade.

(5) Recon Plat. OPCON to Co B until 0939 hrs. At 0939 hrs moved by CH-47 from LZ vic YD887241 to COL Co Beach, closed 0945 hrs.

(6) B/2-501. OPCON effective 1000 hrs. Assumed security mission of COL CO Beach.

(7) C/1-502: OPCON effective 1045 hrs. Co (-) assumed mission along POL pipeline, security of POL pumping station, security of LCU Ramp and liaison at HUE Bridges. 3d Plat was lifted to YD822238 at 1055 hrs and provided security for bulldozers.

(8) Locations of Bn elements at close of reporting period. Bn CP YD845320, Co A YD868242, Co B YD869245, Co C YD879246, Co D YD909274, Recon Plat YD845320, B/2-501 YD845320, C/1-502 FSB MONGOOSE.

c. 2-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. Provided security for FSB T-Bone with 2d Plat ambushing vic

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YD622198, YD626198, and 1st Plat ambushing vic YD647247. 1st Plat conducted clo-
verleaf patrolling, they moved to a FZ vic YD645245, and at 1745 hrs conducted
heliborne movement to FSB T-Bone, closed 1750 hrs. 2d Plat conducted cloverleaf
patrolling vic of night ambushes. At 0855 hrs vic YD625198 found 1 M16. At 1430
hrs vic YD624199 found 11 graves, resulting in 11 NVA (BC). 3d Plat conducted
RIF from FSB T-Bone to vic YD692187.

(2) Co B. Occupied night position vic YD564174 and ambushed vic YD577
171, YD583170, YD565171, and YD564177. At 0628 hrs Co B was extracted from FZ's
vic YD577171 and YD564174, to LZ SALLY, closed 0715 hrs. At 0800 hrs moved by
CH-47 to COL OO Beach, closed 0851 hrs, and reverted to OPCON 1-501 Inf.

(3) Co C. Occupied night position vic YD568149 and ambushed vic YD567
152, YD566155, YD564148 and YD560149. Conducted RIF to vic YD558155.

(4) Co D. Occupied night position vic YD628223 with 1st Plat ambushing
vic YD605237, YD615235, and 2d Plat ambushing vic YD628261. 1st Plat conducted
RIF to vic YD617259, then to a FZ vic YD628241. At 1710 hrs conducted a combat
assault to LZ vic YD614208, closed 1735 hrs. 2d Plat conducted RIF to vic YD613
258. At 1055 hrs vic YD628262 apprehended 3 detainees. 3d Plat conducted RIF
from OP MACHINE to YD638232 and returned.

(5) Recon Plat. Occupied night position vic YD607246 and ambushed vic
YD662255. Conducted RIF to a patrol base vic YD660250 and conducted cloverleaf
patrolling.

(6) Locations of Bn elements at close of reporting period. Bn CP FSB
T-Bone, Co A FSB T-Bone, Co B OPCON 1-501, Co C YD561155, Co D YD628223, Recon
Plat YD655245.

d. 1-502 Inf.

(1) Co A. Occupied night position vic YD668290 and ambushed vic YD673
293, YD662297, and YD666303. Co (-) conducted RIF operation vic YD663308, YD682
297, YD656308, and YD668287. 1st Plat remained at LZ SALLY as Reaction Force
for LZ SALLY, and AN LO Bridge. At 0805 hrs vic YD663308 found 8,000 lb rice
cache. At 1030 hrs vic YD681297 engaged 1 VC in a bunker resulting in 1 VC KIA
(BC). At 1935 hrs vic YD668307 engaged 5 VC running NE. Enemy fled with unknown
results.

(2) Co B. Occupied night position vic YD617342 and ambushed vic YD602
347 and YD628342. At 0815 hrs vic YD602347 found 1 .45 pistol. Conducted clover-

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leaf patrolling vic of night position. At 0815 hrs 1 sqd moved by utility helicopter from vic YD628339 to LZ vic YD629332. At 1313 hrs 1st Plat moved by utility helicopter from vic YD602347 to LZ's vic YD622330, YD635332 and YD635327, closed 1340 hrs. 2d Plat occupied fortified OP's along QL 1.

(3) Co C. Provided security for AN LO Bridge and ambushed vic YD609285 and YD642322. At 0940 hrs moved by CH-47 from AN LO Bridge to FSB MONGOOSE, closed 1045 hrs and reverted to OPCON 1-501 Inf.

(4) Co D. Occupied night position vic YD661338 and ambushed vic YD657355. Moved to AN LO Bridge, closed 0815 hrs and assumed bridge security mission from Co C. At 1510 hrs 3d Plat conducted RIF to vic YD610280.

(5) Recon Plat. Occupied night position vic YD726327. At 0805 hrs 1 sq. moved by utility helicopter from PZ vic YD726327 to LZ vic YD734336. At 0902 hrs plat moved from PZ's vic YD726327 and YD733337 to LZ vic YD719295, closed 0919 hrs. Conducted RIF to vic YD712293.

(6) 3/C/2-34 Armor. OPCON Co C.

(7) Remarks: At 0740 hrs 1 PF plat conducted Eagle Flights from QUANG DIEM to LZ's vic YD709318, YD715316, and YD721347.

(8) Locations of Bn elements at close of reporting period. Bn CP FSB OMARA, Co A YD668307, Co B YD612326, Co C OPCON 1-501 Inf, Co D AN LO Bridge, Recon Plat YD704305, 3/C/2-34 Armor OPCON Co C.

e. 2d Bde HHC Security Plat. Secured minesweep N and S from LZ SALLY.

f. Remarks: At 1630 hrs vic YD965135 2d Bde XO in C&C helicopter spotted 1 VC with weapon in the water. The VC attempted to engage the helicopter and was engaged with MG fire resulting in 1 VC KBAA (BC). The weapon fell in the water.

2. (C) Plans Summary:

a. 1-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. From night location vic YD868242 conduct combat assault into LZ YELLOW vic ZDC80130.

(2) Co B. From night location vic YD869245 conduct combat assault into LZ PURPLE vic ZDC71139.

(3) Co C. From night location continue security and building of FSB SANDY.

(4) Co D. From night location vic YE909274 conduct combat assault into LZ GREEN vic ZDC48153.

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- (5) Recon Plat. From night location vic YD845320 Link with Air Cushion Boats.
- (6) C/1-502. OPCON to 1-501 continue to provide security for closing of FSB MONGOOSE, occupy strong points along FOL pipeline, provide security for LCU Ramp, and provide liaison at HUE Bridges.
- (7) D/2-501. OPCON 1-501. Continue to provide security for COL OO Beach.
- b. 2-501 Inf.
- (1) Co A. One plat continue to provide security at FSB T-Bone. One plat conduct combat patrol from YD626202 to YD6522 then to YD6422. One Plat conduct combat patrols from YD638187 to YD636183 to YD642180 to YD643188.
- (2) Co B. OPCON 1-501 Inf.
- (3) Co C. Conduct combat patrols vic YD560164, YD563152, YD5816, YD5917, YD6117 to search out rocket sites.
- (4) Co D. One plat security for OP AFACHE and conduct local patrols. One plat conduct combat patrols from YD614206 to YD6121, YD6021, YD6120 to search for rocket sites. One plat conduct combat patrols from YD644251 to YD6424 to YD 6224.
- (5) Recon Plat. From night location vic YD655245 conduct combat patrols from YD6623 to YD6525 to YD6725.
- c. 1-502 Inf.
- (1) Co A. From night location vic YD668307 conduct RIF to E vic YD6729 then to vic YD683297. 1 plat will provide security for rice cache to be extracted to QUANG BIEN District Hqs and on order move to vic YD683297.
- (2) Co B. From night position vic YD612328 continue to conduct saturation patrolling with 2 plats in area bounded by YD600350, YD630350, YD600320 and YD630320. One plat continue to occupy fortified OP's along QL 1.
- (3) Co C. OPCON 1-501.
- (4) Co D. Continue to provide security at the AN LO Bridge in cooperation with RF Co.
- (5) Recon Plat. From night position vic YD704305 0730 hrs conduct Eagle Flights from PZ YD715294 to LZ YD690280.
- d. 2d Bde HHC Security Plat. Secure minesweep N and S from LZ SALLY.

3. (C) Cumulative Results:

- a. Friendly losses: 64 US KHA, 599 US WHA (479 medevac).

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b. Enemy assessment:

(1) Personnel: 558 NVA KIA (BC), 658 VC KIA (BC), 37 NVA POW, 266 VC POW, 29 returnees.

(2) Weapons: Indiv weapons 452, crew served weapons 81, 159 SKS's, 37 M16's, 14 carbines, 24 sub MG's, 49 M1 carbines, 20 M2 carbines, 130 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, 12 BAR's, 4 AK-47's (dest), 14 9mm pistols, 16 AK-50's, 17 LMG's, 7 HMG's, 36 K-44's, 12 M1's, 15 .45 cal pistols, 1 82mm mortar tube, 3 LMG's (dest), 2 M79's, 3 82mm mortars, 2 .30 cal MG's, 3 60mm mortars, 2 shotguns, 1 K-54, 2 12.7 AA weapons (dest).

(3) Munitions: 29 CHICOM grenades (dest), 64,295 rds SA, 300 60mm mortar rds (dest), 331 B-40's (dest), 104 rds 57mm, 1 CHICOM claymore, 20 lbs TNT, 28 81mm mortar rds.

(4) Miscellaneous: 396.3 tons rice, 1 ton salt, 9000 lbs cement, 1 PRC-10, 1 CHICOM 2 watt radio, 1 CHICOM field phone and 1 CHICOM radio (MFI).

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