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1. (C) Operations Summary:

General: 2d Bde, 101st Abn Div (Aimobile) continued a. 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 during the reporting period. Today's statistics: 2 US WHA (medevac); Enemy assessment - 5 VC KIA (BC), 2 Chieu Hoi's, 7 SKS, 2 M2 carbines, 1 P-38 pistol, 2 60mm mortar sights.

1-501 Inf. b.

(1) Co's A, B and D continued saturation ambush, search 16 and patrol opns in the SE portion of VINH LOC (D). During the Sep 1968 reporting period, 1-501 Inf elements accounted for 4 VC (BC), 2 Chieu Hoi's, 7 IWC and an armo cache. The ARVN T.F. operating in the NW portion of VINH LOC (D) accounted for 4 VC (BC), 5 IWC, 1 CSMC, and 10 Chieu Hoi's.

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(3) Co B. Occupied night psn vic ZD071112 and ambushed vic ZD071120, ZD073117 and ZD073115. Conducted saturation patrolling vic ZD0711, Co B accounted for 1 SKS.

(4) Co C. Co (-) occupied night psn vic YD878247 and ambushed vic YD882250, YD868240 and YD871257. Conducted plat (-) RIF opns consisting of 1 US sqd and 15 RF's to vic YD893241 and YD872268. 1 plat provided security for construction of FSB SANDY. 3d plat remained vic of FSB MONGOOSE.

(5) Co D. Occupied might psn vic ZDO33152 and ambushed vic ZDO35155, ZDO37153 and ZDO35149. Conducted plat (-) RIF opns SE from ambush locations to vic ZDO47141. Co D accounted for 4 VC (BC), 3 SKS and 1 M2 carbine.

(6) Recon Plat. Occupied night psn vic YD862232 and ambushed vic YD863230. At 0715 hrs vic YD865236 a first light check of contact area at 151925H resulted in 1 additional VC KIA (EC) and 1 P-38 pistol. At 0910 hrs conducted a combat assault from PZ vic YD870233 to LZ vic YD793233, closed 0920 hrs. Conducted RIF to vic YD806228, then N to vic YD798238.

(7) B/2-501. Provided security for COL CO Beach, ambushed vic YD861309. At 0700 hrs ambush received 3 rds SA fire from unk location.

(8) C/1-502. Provided security for FSB MONGOOSE, occupied strong points along POL pipeline, security of POL pumping station and LCU Ramp and liaison at the HUE Bridges.

(9) B/1-17 Cav. Remained TAN MY Beach.

(10) Location of Bn elements at close of reporting period: Bn TAC CP ZDD40122; Co A ZD092116; Co B ZD069122; Co C YD877248; Co D ZD047137; Recon Plat YD791244; B/2-501 Inf YD845320; C/1-502 Inf FSB MONGOOSE; B/1-17 Cav TAN MY Beach.

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c. 2-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. Provided security for FSB T-BONE with 2d plat ambushing vic YD625193, YD628201 and 3d plat ambushing vic YD643228, YD552226. 1st plat conducted RIF to vic YD640190 and returned to FSB T-BONE. 2d plat established a patrol base vic YD625198 and conducted cloverleaf patrolling. 3d plat (-) moved to vic YD657237 and established a blocking psn, 1 sqd blocked vic YD664235, blocking in support of Recon plat. Elements then linked up and conducted RIF to vic YD647244.

(2) Co B. OFCON 1-501 Inf.

(3) Co C. Occupied night psn vic YD589161 and ambushed vic YD583164, YD579163, YD588156 and YD584158. Conducted RIF opns with Co (-) to vic YD583150, lst plat to vic YD586161, and 2d plat to vic YD590152. At 1735 hrs vic YD583150 Co (-) received 1 RPG rnd and SA fire from approx 3-5 enemy, neg cas. Arty was fired with unk results.

(4) Co D. Occupied night psn at OF AFACHE with 1st plat ambushing vic YD615213, YD614208, and 2d plat ambushing vic YD641258, YD629260. 1st plat conducted RIF to vic YD620214 then to YD614210. 2d plat conducted RIF to vic YD650246, to YD664240, then to LZ SALLY, closed 1521 hrs as reaction force for LZ SALLY and AN LO Bridge. 3d plat conducted sqd patrols to vic YD633217 and YD625236, then returned to OP APACHE.

(5) Recon Plat. Occupied night psn vic YD674244 and ambushed vic
YD669250. Conducted RIF to vic YD664265 to blocking psn occupied by 3d plat
Co A, then continued to vic YD662257. At 0649 hrs vic YD669245 found and destroyed 500 rds SA ammo.

(6) Location of Bn elements at close of reporting period: Nn CF FSB
 T-BONE; Co A FSB T-BONE; Co B OPCON 1-501 Inf; Co C YD583154; Co D YD628223;
 Recon Plat YD661265.

d. 1-502 Inf.

(1) Co A. Co (-) occupied night psn at LZ SALLY and 1st plat ambushed vic YD653303. At O610 hrs Co (-) departed LZ SALLY and linked up with 2 RF plats vic YD686274, then conducted RIF vic YD677287 and from vic YD632280 to YD682290. At 0755 hrs 1st plat moved by utility helicopter from vic YD653309

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(2) Co B. Co (-) occupied night psn vic YD623321, with 3d plat occupying fortified OPIs along QL 1 vic YD600310, YD605310 and YD610312. Co (-) secured bulldozer clearing opns vic YD638314. At 1945 hrs vic YD644321 point man engaged 4 VC with SA. Enemy fled with neg further sightings.

(3) Co C. OPCON 1-501 Inf.

(4) Co D. Provided security for AN LO Bridge and ambushed vic YD65/294, YD643311, and YD607278.

(5) Recon Plat. Occupied night psn vic YD686286. At 0725 hrs established blocking psn vic YD686285 in support of Co A. At 1957 hrs vic YD689291 observed 2 VC. SA fire resulted in 2 US WHA (medevac). Enemy fled with negative further sightings.

(6) Remarks. At 1435 hrs vic YD629344 a detained led elements to a bunker containing 1 SKS and 1 M2 carbine.

(7) Location of Bn elements at close of reporting period: Bn CP F3B OMAHA; Co A YD678284; Co B YD636311; Co C OPCON 1-501 Inf; Co D AN LO Bridge; Recon Plat YD683288, 3/C/2-34 Armor OPCON Co D.

e. 2d Bde HHC Security Plat. Secured minesweep N and S from LZ SALLY.2. (C) Plans Summary:

a. 1-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. From night location vic ZD092116 continue to conduct RIF in Co AO bounded by XD105115, XD100090, ZD090090 and ZD080120.

(2) Co B. From night location in ZDO69122 continue to conduct RIF in Co AO bounded by ZDO60150, ZDO80130, ZDO90090 and ZDO60100.

(3) Co C. From night location vic YD877248 2 platoons continue security and building new FSB SANDY. 1 sqd with 15 PF patrol from YD8723 to YD8922 and return. 1 sqd with 15 PF's patrol from YD8324 to YD9023 and return. 1 sqd with 15 PF's patrol from YD8725 to YD8727 and return.

(4) Co D. From night location vic ZD047137 conduct RIF in Co AO bounded by ZD040170, ZD060150, ZD060100 and ZD030120.

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(5) Recon Plat. From night location vic YD791244 RIF E along the canal.

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(6) B/2-501 Inf. OPCON to 1-501 Inf continues to provide security at COL CO Beach.

(7) C/1-502 Inf. OFCON to 1-501 Inf continues to provide security for closing of FSB MONGOOSE, occupy strong points along QL 551 and POL pumping station, provide security at the LCU Ramp and liaison at the HUE Bridges. 1 plat RIF E along the canal from YD791244. At 1200 hrs return to 1-502 Inf control.

(8) B/1-17 Cav. OFCON 2d Bde continues to provide security for their equipment. 0800 hrs move by CH-47 to new FSB SANDY and assist in building new FSB. Return to dock site at 1700 hrs.

b. 2-501 Inf. Continues to be Ready Reaction Force for 1st Brigade. Frepared to send 1 company on 2 hr notice and Bn (-) on 4 hr notice.

(1) Co A. 1 plat provide security for FSB T-BONE and tomorrow patrol from FSB T-DONE to vic YD6521, YD6421, YD6320. 1 plat from vic YD636195 patrol to YD6419, YD6420 and assume security for FSB T-BONE. 1 plat from PZ vic YD642244 at O800 hrs conduct eagle flight into target of opportunity.

(2) Co B. OFCON 1-501 Inf.

(3) Co C. From night location vic YD583154 continue to RIF to YD5815, YD5814 and YD5914.

(4) Co D. 1 plat provide security for OP APACHE and conduct patrol to YD6121 and YD6120. 1 plat from vic YD621212 patrol to YD6322 and close to OP APACHE. 1 plat provide ready reaction force for LZ SALLY and the AN LO Bridge. At O800 hrs conduct eagle flight from LZ SALLY to target of opportunity.

(5) Recon Plat. From night location vic YD661265 at 0800 hrs conduct eagle flights into target of opportunity.

c. 1-502 Inf.

(1) Co A, From night location vic YD678284 conduct patrols SW along W bank of SONG BO from YD6829 to YD6327 then YD6927,

(2) Co B. 2 platoons provide security for rome plows and conduct local patrols. 1 plat occupy strong points along QL 1.

(3) Co C. OPCON 1-501 Inf.

(4) Co D. Provide security for AN LO Bridge in cooperation with RF company. Conduct platoon patrol from AN LO to vic YD656302.

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(5) Recon Plat. From night location vic YD683288 provide blocking forces in support of Co Λ vic YD634280, YD685285 then conduct search of area YD6828.

(6) 2 plats of PF from FSB OMAHA conduct eagle flights by log bird at 0900 hrs into LZ's vic YD651338 and YD733338.

d. 2d Bde HHC Security Plat. Secure minesweep N and S from LZ SALLY.3. (C) Cumulative Results:

a. Friendly losses: 64 US KHA, 605 US WHA (485 medevac).

b. Enemy assessment:

(1) Fersonnel: 599 NVA KIA (BC), 734 VC KIA (BC), 37 NVA FOW, 302 VC FOW, 29 returnees, 6 Chieu Hoi's.

(2) Weapons: Indiv weapons 527, crew served weapons 89, 187 SKS's, 40 M16's, 16 carbines, 24 sub MG's, 59 Ml carbines, 22 M2 carbines; 51 AK-47's, 16 RPG-2 launchers, 9 RPG-7 launchers, 4 P-38 pistols, 1 flare pistol (dest), 7 Russian rifles, 1 Springfield rifle, 12 BAR's, 4 AK-47's (dest), 15 9mm pistols, 16 AK-50's, 17 IMG's, 7 HMG's, 38 K-44's 13 M1's, 16 .45 cal pistols, 1 82mm mortar tube, 3 LAW's (dest), 2 M79's, 3 82mm mortarts, 2 .30 cal MG's, 3 60mm mortars, 2 shotguns, 1 K-54, 2 12.7 AA weapons (dest), and 2 CHICOM pistols, 1 K-50, 1 60mm mortar, 2 60mm mortar sights.

(3) Munitions: 29 CHICOM grenades (dest), 65495 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, 127 RFG-2 rds, 57 RFG-7 rds, 5 82mm mortar rds, 152 1 lb block TNT, 2 18 lb satchel charges, 13 M79 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 (NFI).

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