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CO, B/326 Med	"
CO, 2-17 Cav	"
CO, 188th AHC	"
2d FASCP, 501st Sig	"
2d Fwd Spt Plat, 801st Maint	"
2d Plat, 101st MF Co	"
2d Plat, 265th RRC	"
Tm 2, 101st MI Det	"
34th PI	"
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SUBJECT: Commander's Situation Report
032001H July 68 - 042000H July 68

1. (C) Operations Summary:

a. General: 2d Bde, 101st Abn Div 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 7 contacts. Today's statistics: 5 US WHA (medevac). Enemy assessment: 15 VC KIA (BC), 1 NVA KIA (BC), 17 VC POW, 3 M1 carbines, 1 K-44, 14,200 lbs rice.

b. 1-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. Provided security for COLCO Beach and ambushed vic YD870304, YD830331, and YD818308.

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(2) Co B. Occupied night position vic YD821248 and ambushed vic YD822245. Established blocking position in support

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of operation with elements of Co C and the Recon Plat. "B" blocked from YD810255 to YD823246 oriented N. Approx 1200 hrs "B" moved 1 plat to blocking positions vic YD809260 to YD818260, Co (-) moved NE to YD825273 and 2d Flat of C Co reverted to OPCON of Co B, then conducted RIF operation thru village vic YD820268. Vic YD812264 found 1 M1 carbine. At 1607 hrs 1 sqd moved by UH-1 from FZ vic YD815256 to LZ YD823288 and found 1 VC WIA POW and 1 M1 carbine. At 1620 hrs the Co began moving towards FSB MONGOOSE, logging at YD822213.

(3) Co C. Provided security for FSB MONGOOSE and secured the bridges and POL pipeline along highway 551 and ambushed vic YD807286. 1 sqd moved overland to vic YD811285 in support of Recon Plat and Co B. 2d Flat conducted combat assault at 0646 hrs from FSB MONGOOSE to LZ vic YD825273, and established blocking position from vic YD823273 to YD833270. At 1159 hrs 2d Flat became OPCON to Co B. At 1620 hrs returned to OPCON of Co C and returned to FSB MONGOOSE.

(4) Co D. Occupied night position vic YD843212 and ambushed vic YD847205 and YD840212. At 0611 hrs ambush received SA fire vic YD847205. Arty was fired with unknown results. Conducted RIF along river to vic YD829219, then SW to YD829213. At 1158 hrs vic YD821213 and YD821216, found and extracted 14,200 lbs rice. At 1705 hrs the 1st Flat was airlifted to COLCO Beach.

(5) Recon Plat. At 0656 hrs conducted Eagle Flights from FSB MONGOOSE to 5 LZ's vic YD8025 and blocked from YD805263 to YD802268. At 1115 hrs captured 1 VC. At 1625 hrs returned to FSB MONGOOSE.

(6) B/2-501. Co (-) occupied strong points vic YD808186, bridge site vic YD838176 with 1 FF plat at bridge site and ambushed vic YD788199, YD793197, YD804191, YD813186, YD815184, YD821179, YD826178, YD832176. 3d Flat maintained liaison with 741st RF Co with 1 sqd at bridge vic YD750210, 1 sqd at bridge vic YD781209, and plat (-) at LCU Ramp vic YD772223.

(7) Remarks: The operation conducted by Co B, Recon Plat, and elements of Co C resulted in 4 VC (BC) by Army Avn and 5 VC (BC) by ground forces. The ground troops also detained 91 personnel which were classified as 17 VC POW, 62 CD, 2 IC, and 10 unclassified. The total weapons captured during the operation

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were 3 M1 carbines and 1 K-44.

(8) Locations of Bn elements at close of reporting period. Bn CP FSB MONGOOSE, Co A YD845320, Co B YD800267, Co C FSB MONGOOSE, Co D YD824214, Recon Plat FSB MONGOOSE, B/2-501 YD808186.

c. 2-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. Provided security for FSB T-Bone and ambushed vic YD650225, YD647218, YD658217, and YD663214. 2d Plat moved by UH-1 to YD628224 at 0808 hrs. Conducted RIF operation to vic YD614235 and conducted local patrol.

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

(3) Co C. Occupied night position vic YD577162 and ambushed vic YD581164. Conducted RIF operation vic YD577161, YD576160, and YD568167.

(4) Co D. Occupied night position vic YD595164 and ambushed vic YD590161. Conducted RIF operation to vic YD590163, YD589169.

(5) Recon Plat. OFCON Co D. Ambushed vic YD588156. Conducted patrols vic YD5716 and YD5717.

(6) Remarks: At 1400 hrs a 60 drum CS drop was conducted vic YD624144.

(7) Locations of Bn elements at close of reporting period. Bn CP FSB T-Bone, Co A FSB T-Bone, Co B OFCON 1-501 Inf, Co C YD567166, Co D YD568171, Recon Plat YD577172.

d. 1-502 Inf.

(1) Co A. Occupied night position vic YD602292 and ambushed vic YD603299, and YD604282. At 2250 hrs night position received 3 60mm mortar rds. Negative casualties. Arty was fired with unknown results. At 0600 hrs vic YD604287 ambush returning detonated a 105mm BBT resulting in 3 US WIA (medevac - 1, serious). At 0655 hrs vic YD604287 found and destroyed 105mm BBT. During the day occupied OP's vic YD616306 to YD606286. At 0747 hrs vic YD608297 observed and engaged approx 10 enemy. Negative enemy assessment.

(2) Co B. Occupied night position vic YD695302 securing bulldozers and floating raft. 1 plat established blocking position vic YD687304 in support of Co C. At 1223 hrs vic YD687304 sustained 1 US WIA (medevac) from 60mm mortar BBT.

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(3) Co C. Occupied night position vic YD681314 and ambushed vic YD677319, YD685319, and YD678302. Conducted search of villages vic YD660285 and YD668288, moving from SW to NE. Enroute to villages vic YD670290 and YD675297 found and destroyed 3 105mm rd BBT. At 1535 hrs vic YD672299 received sniper fire resulting in 1 US WHA (medevac). Arty was fired with unknown results.

(4) Co D. Provided security for AN LO Bridge and occupied strong points vic YD600310, YD605311, and YD611312. Secured minesweeps from AN LO Bridge NW to vic YD592307 and NE to YD669324. During the day 3d Flat, 4 tanks and 1 PF plat secured engineer road repair operation from AN LO Bridge NE to vic YD653313.

(5) Recon Flat. Occupied night position vic YD684285 and ambushed vic YD684282. Conducted RIF operation to vic YD689300. At 1800 hrs reverted to OFCON of Co B.

(6) 1/C/2-34 Armor. Plat (-) OFCON Co D. 2 tanks OFCON Co A.

(7) Remarks:

(a) Eagle Flights of HF's at 0855 hrs vic YD728332 landed and engaged approx 5 VC. LFT in support engaged and killed 3 VC (BC).

(b) Bulldozers razing operation resulted in 300 meters of hedgerow destroyed, and 50 meters by 50 meters of village destroyed.

(c) At 1340 hrs vic YD627384 elements of the 1st ACD found graves containing 2 VC KIA (BC) and 1 NVA KIA (BC) killed by A/1-502 operation in this area on 1 July.

(8) Locations of Bn elements at close of reporting period. Bn CF FSB OMAHA, Co A YD603299, Co B YD695301, Co C YD668303, Co D AN LO Bridge, Recon Flat YD695301.

e. 2-17 Cav.

(1) Trp A. Occupied night position at LZ SALLY and 1st Flat ambushed vic YD614277 and YD615278. 3d Plat established day OP's vic YD628259 and YD638254. 2d Plat established day OP's vic YD624280, YD621276, and YD628276.

(2) Trp B. Working with 1 PF plat. Provided security for FSB PINKY and ambushed vic YD663255, YD658248, and YD686265. 1 sqd secured minesweep S to HUE. 2d Plat conducted RIF operation to vic YD686245. 1st Plat conducted

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RIF operation to YD665262, YD657242, and returned. 3d Plat conducted RIF with 1st ARVN Div Recon Plat from vic YD676236, to vic YD6723, YD6725, and YD6823. 3d Plat, ARVN Recon Plat, and PF plats prepared night ambush positions.

(3) Aero Rifle Plat. OFCON Trp B. Ambushed vic YD680255 and YD687242. At 2300 hrs ambush vic YD680255 made contact with unknown size force. Engaged with SA, AW, M79, and claymores. Received SA fire and grenades. Negative casualties. Ambush returned to FSB PINKY. 1st light sweep of ambush area resulted in negative enemy assessment. During the day conducted sqd patrols to W and S.

(4) Locations of Sqdn elements at close of reporting period. Sqdn (-) FSB PINKY, Trp A, LZ SALLY.

2. (C) Plans Summary:

a. 1-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. Conduct combat assault from COLCO Beach at 1100 hrs to LZ's vic YD884224 and YD888228, conduct RIF operation NW thru village vic YD884227. Following Co A's combat assault a PF plat will be lifted in from FHU TU to Co A's location.

(2) Co B. From night position vic YD800267 move overland to FSB MONGOOSE and assume mission from Co C of providing security for FSB MONGOOSE and occupying strong points at pumping station vic YD775250 and at bridges along highway 551 and POL pipeline from vic YD787273 to YD795285.

(3) Co C. When relieved of security mission Co B, conduct RIF operation to vic YD7924, then E along both sides of the canal to vic YD820240.

(4) Co D. Co (-) support Co A's operation by establishing plat blocking positions vic YD842220 to YD845215 and YD860210 to YD868217. Approx 1230 hrs Co (-) be lifted to COLCO Beach and assume mission of providing security for COLCO Beach, with 1 plat already in position.

(5) Recon Plat. Approx 1210 hrs conduct heliborne movement from FSB MONGOOSE to vic YD8622 and YD8722 and support Co A's operation.

(6) B/2-501 Inf. Co (-) occupy strong points vic YD808186 and YD838176, ambush along POL pipeline paralleling QL 1. 1 Plat maintain liaison with 741st RF Co with sqds at bridges vic YD750210, YD781209, and Plat (-) at LCU Ramp vic YD7772223.

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b. 2-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. Co (-) provide security for FSB T-Bone. 1 plat establish plat base at hilltop vic YD628224, and ambush to the W along the SONG BO River.

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

(3) Co C. From night position vic YD567166, conduct RIF operation to vic YD569177.

(4) Co D. From night position vic YD568171, conduct RIF operation to vic YD580177.

(5) Recon Plat. OFCON Co D.

c. 1-502 Inf.

(1) Co A. From night position vic YD603299, conduct cloverleaf patrolling vic YD6029. 2 tanks (1 with sheep lead roller to clear areas with mines and booby traps) will be OFCON to Co A. On order conduct RIF operation to vic YD631308 and YD646290.

(2) Co B. Co (-), from night position vic YD695301 move at 2200 hrs to cordon and search the village vic YD713311. Working in conjunction with Co B will be the Recon Plat, 1 PF plat and an ARVN Intelligence Section. 1 plat will secure the bulldozers vic YD695301.

(3) Co C. From night position vic YD668303 conduct RIF operation to vic YD678318.

(4) Co D. (Augmented with 1 plat from HHC). Provide security for AN LO Bridge and occupy strong points along QL 1 from AN LO Bridge NW to AO boundary. Provide security for minesweep NW and NE from AN LO Bridge. 1 Plat with elements of OFCON tank plat and 1 PF plat provides security for engineer road repair from AN LO Bridge NE to YD651314.

(5) Recon Plat. OFCON Co B.

d. 2-17 Cav.

(1) Trp A. Trp (-) conduct training at LZ SALLY. 1st Plat from LZ SALLY with 1 PF plat establish day OP's from vic YD618274 to YD630270, then establish night ambushes along SONG BO River.

(2) Trp B. Trp (-) provide security for FSB TINKY. 1st and 2d Flats

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recon for ambush sites vic YD672234 and YD679231.

(3) Aero Rifle Flat. Conduct local security patrols vic FSB PINKY and ambush to the E and SE of FSB PINKY.

e. 2d Bde HHC Security Flat. Provide security for minesweep N and S from LZ SALLY.

3. (C) Cumulative Results:

a. Friendly losses: 42 US KHA, 316 US WHA (244 medevac).

b. Enemy assessment:

(1) Personnel: 293 NVA KIA (BC), 354 VC KIA (BC), 32 NVA FOW, 171 VC POW, 19 returnees.

(2) Weapons: Indiv weapons 300, crew served weapons 57, 77 SKS's, 20 M16's, 13 carbines, 6 sub MG's, 36 M1 carbines, 10 M2 carbines, 75 AK-47's, 12 RPG-2 launchers, 8 RPG-7 launchers, 2 P-38 pistols, 1 flare pistol (dest), 1 Russian rifle, 1 Springfield rifle, 7 BAR's, 3 bolt action rifles, 3 AK-47's, (dest), 8 9mm pistols, 12 AK-50's, 13 LMG's, 3 HMG's, 15 K-44's, 7 M1's, 6 .45 cal pistols, 1 81mm mortar tube, 3 LAW's (dest).

(3) Munitions: 11 CHICOM grenades (dest), 17,170 rds SA, 107 60mm mortar rds (dest), 60 B-40 (dest), 24 82mm mortar rds (dest), 3 250 lb bombs (dest), 101 lbs CHICOM C-4 (dest), 5 105mm rds (dest).

(4) Miscellaneous: 259.8 tons rice, 1 ton salt, 40 50 lb bags cement and 1 PRC-10. Group 4

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