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	2d FASCP, 501st Sig	"
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	2d Plat, 101st MP Co	"
	2d Plat, 265th RRC	"
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SUBJECT: Commander's Situation Report
202001H July 68 - 212000H July 68

1. (C) Operations Summary:

a. General: 2d Bde, 101st Air Cav 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: 6 US WHA, (4 medevac), 1 RF KHA. Enemy assessment 3 NVA KIA (BC), 9 VC KIA (BC), 2 SKS, 4 AK-47, 6 VC PW, 2 NVA PW, 5 hand grenades, 500 rds 7.62 ammo.

b. 1-501 Inf.

(1) Co A, with Recon Plat OPCON. Occupied night position vic YD810252 and ambushed vic YD804251 and YD815251. At 0730 hrs conducted RIF operation NE to vic YD851270, then S to vic YD825260. At 1210 hrs vic YD851270 found some medical supplies and documents which were evacuated to Bde. At 1715 hrs

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vic YD829250 picked up 2 detainees.

(2) Co B. Provided security for COL CO Beach with ambushes vic YD868305, YD802331 and YD813332.

(3) Co C. Continued joint operation with C/2-34 Armor, 1-54 ARVN, 917th RF Co, 352 RF Co, National Field Force Police and PHU VANG Intelligence Sqd. Co C occupied night position vic YD863236 and ambushed vic YD857232 and YD866232. At 2144 hrs received 1 60mm mortar rd vic YD863236 with negative casualties. Area around the perimeter was swept with infra red device in an attempt to discover the location of the mortar tube but was unsuccessful. At 0715 hrs conducted RIF operation SE to vic YD893228, then NW to vic YD868235. At 0910 hrs picked up 10 detainees vic YD885230. At 0925 hrs destroyed BBT grenade vic YD883226. At 0940 hrs vic YD884227 destroyed 1 BBT grenade. At 1215 hrs vic YD879231 individual detonated an AP mine resulting in 3 US WHA. Medevac complete at 1231 hrs. At 1320 hrs vic YD878233 individual detonated unknown type BBT resulting in 1 US WHA. Medevac complete at 1325 hrs. At 1900 hrs vic YD863233 destroyed 1 BBT grenade. C/2-34 Armor occupied night position vic YD868251 and ambushed vic YD864249, and YD869259. At 2250 hrs night position received 2 bursts of ineffective SA fire from the NE vic YD873255. Fire was not returned due to distance. At 0730 hrs conducted RIF operation SE to vic YD903233 and returned to YD868251. At 0930 hrs vic YD905235 picked up 1 detainee. At 1047 hrs vic YD895239 picked up 4 detainees. At 1145 hrs vic YD898237 found 2 VC KB Arty and 500 rds 7.62 linked ammo. At 1325 hrs vic YD889249 found 5 bottles of morphine and 5 bottles penicillen. At 1700 hrs vic YD869256 received 1 M79 rd from the NW with negative casualties. Fire was not returned as exact location could not be determined. 1-54 ARVN occupied night position vic YD895215. At 0730 hrs conducted RIF operation W to vic YD840214 then NW to vic YD840225. 352 RF Co plus 2 PF platoons provided security for PHU THU District Hqs. At 0700 hrs conducted RIF operation NW to vic YD865193 then N to vic YD865204. At 1500 hrs returned to PHU THU. At 0910 hrs vic YD865210 engaged and killed 2 VC and captured 1 AK-47. 917th RF Co occupied night position vic YD855213 and established blocking position at that location throughout the day. At 0940 hrs vic YD844204 sustained 1 KHA from BBT grenade. National

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Field Force Police and PHU VANG Intelligence Sqd occupied night position vic YD810 247. At 0800 hrs conducted RIF operation W to vic YD787244, YD783247, YD779246, YD787240, and YD780249. Remarks: From 0605 hrs to 0800 hrs an arty prep was conducted vic YD880250 to YD897236 resulting in 5 secondary explosions. At 1430 hrs vic YD848212 the 1-501 C and C helicopter engaged and killed 6 VC and captured 1 SKS, 1 AK-47, and 1 M26 frag grenade.

(4) Co D. Provided security for FSB MONGOOSE.

(5) B/2-501: Co (-) occupied strong points vic YD808186, bridge site vic YD838176 with 1 PF plat at bridge site and ambushed vic YD792198, YD796196, YD840 191, YD809188, YD814185, YD824178, YD827179, and YD831177.

(6) Recon Plat. OPCON Co A.

(7) Locations of Bn elements at close of reporting period. Bn CP FSB MONGOOSE, Co A YD835245, Co B YD845320, Co C YD846221, Co D FSB MONGOOSE, Recon Plat YD835245.

c. 2-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. Occupied night position vic YD568167. Conducted RIF operation to vic YD563163 and YD561161. At 1622 hrs vic YD561161 engaged 6 NVA/VC with SA and AW. Co A maneuvered against the enemy with LFT, arty and air strikes supporting. Contact was broken at 1810 hrs with Co A sustaining 2 US WHA. Enemy assessment negative.

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

(3) Co C. Provided security for FSB T-Bone, and ambushed vic YD646214, YD655214, YD645204, and YD643203. Co (-) remained at FSB T-Bone. 1st Plat conducted RIF operation to vic YD634207 and YD639211.

(4) Co D. Occupied night position vic YD615140 and ambushed vic YD612 140, YD626142, and YD621141. Conducted RIF operation to vic YD610140 and YD610 143.

(5) Recon Plat. Occupied night position vic YD588157. At 0900 hrs vic YD588157 engaged 6 VC with SA and AW resulting in 1 VC KIA (BC) and 1 AK-47 captured. The enemy returned fire with SA and immediately fled S. Arty was employed on the fleeing enemy with negative assessment. At 1327 hrs Recon was lifted

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from a PZ vic YD585156 to LZ vic YD568176 closing at 1331 hrs.

d. 1-502 Inf.

(1) Co A. Provided security for AN LO Bridge. At 0630 hrs Co (-) with Recon Plat moved to and established a cordon around a village from YD640315, W and N to YD640326 tying in with Co C completing the cordon E and S. At 0705 hrs a CS drop saturated the village ending at 0809 hrs. During the CS drop Co A, Co C and the helicopter dropping the CS received light ineffective SA fire. The area was engaged with SA and AW and the operation concluded at 0815 hrs at which time Co A (-) and Recon Plat returned to AN LO Bridge closing at 1030 hrs. 1 sqd, 1st Plat Co A conducted Eagle Flight from vic YD640326 to vic YD727337 OPCON to Co B aiding in the interception and capture of 3 VCS.

(2) Co B. Occupied night position vic YD726304 and ambushed vic YD718295, YD724313 and YD726299. Conducted RIF operation to vic YD727306, YD723313 and YD735327. 2d Plat (-) conducted Eagle Flight to vic YD727337 aided by 1 Sqd from Co A and picked up 3 VCS. At 0850 hrs vic YD723312 Co B engaged and wounded 1 VC resulting in 1 VC WIA PW. Also in the same area picked up 1 VCS. At 1045 hrs vic YD723307 found in bunker some documents and Chinese money which were evacuated to Bde S2.

(3) Co C. Occupied night position vic YD656315. At 0630 hrs established cordon with Co A. At 0815 hrs conducted RIF operation to vic YD634332, YD629334, and YD627338. At 1055 hrs vic YD628330 received ineffective SA fire and 4 60mm mortar rds from vic YD631331. The enemy position was engaged with SA and supported by arty. A search of the area was made with negative results. At 1605 hrs vic YD629344 captured 2 NVA with 1 AK-47 and 1 SKS. At 1840 hrs vic YD627338 engaged and killed 3 NVA and captured 1 AK-47 and some documents.

(4) Co D. Occupied night position vic YD611295 and ambushed YD613275. Co (-) secured the bulldozer clearing operations vic YD613294. 2d Plat conducted RIF operation to vic YD612278 and YD604280. At 0825 hrs vic YD613294 destroyed 1 CHICOM grenade.

(5) Recon Plat. OPCON Co A.

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(6) Location of Bn elements at close of reporting period. Bn CP FSB OMAHA, Co A AN LO Bridge, Co B YD731327, Co C YD632328, Co D YD611294, Recon Plat AN LO Bridge.

e. 2-17 Cav.

(1) Trp A. Provided security for FSB PINKY and ambushed vic YD668252 and YD670250. 1st Plat conducted RIF operation to vic YD6524 and returned to FSB PINKY. 2d Plat conducted weapons firing at LZ SALLY and returned to FSB PINKY. 3d Plat remained and FSB PINKY conducted training.

(2) Trp B. Occupied night position at LZ SALLY and ambushed vic YD615277, YD623266 and YD608267. 1 Sqd 1st Plat conducted RIF operation and established OP with 1 PF plat vic YD612280. 1st Plat (-) conducted RIF operation from LZ SALLY to vic YD6126, established day OP vic YD612268, then returned to LZ SALLY. 2d Plat conducted RIF operation from LZ SALLY and established 2 OP's at YD618268 and YD626255, then returned to LZ SALLY. At 1448 hrs OP at YD618268 received several bursts of SA fire from vic YD605266 with negative casualties. SA fire was returned and the enemy immediately fled SW with negative assessment. 3d Plat conducted training at LZ SALLY.

(3) Aero Rifle Plat. Provided security for FSB PINKY and ambushed vic YD655234. Conducted RIF operation to vic YD6723 and returned to FSB PINKY.

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

f. 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 position vic ~~YD640248~~ ⁸³⁵²⁴⁵ conduct RIF operation W along N side of canal to vic YD790247.

(2) Co B. Provide security for COL CO Beach.

(3) Co C. From night psn ~~YD855225~~ ⁸⁴⁶²²¹ conduct RIF operation W along S side of canal to vic YD790244. 1st Plat move to and assume mission of liaison at HUE Bridge sites vic YD750210, YD781209, and LCU Ramp vic YD772223.

(4) Co D. Provide Security for FSB MONGOOSE.

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(5) Recon Plat. OPCON Co A.

(6) B/2-501. Co (-) occupy strong points vic YD808186, YD838176 and 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 YD772223. At 0900 hrs return to OPCON 2-501 Inf.

(7) C/2-34 Armor. From night position vic ~~YD85245~~ ⁸⁶³²⁷³ move 1 plat to YD865240. 1 Plat remain night location. Artillery will be fired vicinity YD865260. ~~2 plat search village vic YD865260.~~

(8) 1-54 ARVN. From night position vic ~~YD824220~~ ⁸²⁵²²⁷ conduct attack on two axis. 1 axis from night position SW to village vic YD804213 then W to village vic YD790213. 1 axis attacks from night position NW to village vic YD804227 then W to villages vic YD796226 and vic YD790226.

(9) 917 RF Co. From night position vic ~~YD835210~~ ⁸⁴²²⁰³ establish blocking position from vic YD834210 to vic YD852210, oriented N.

(10). NFFP. From night position vic YD788249 establish blocking position from vic YD780237 to vic YD780251 oriented E.

b. 2-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. From night position vic YD561161 continue to RIF SW to vic YD551157.

(2) Co B. At 0900 hrs conduct a heliborne movement from PZ vic YD806182 to LZ vic YD654217 and return to OPCON 2-501 Inf. Conduct local patrols vic YD654217.

(3) Co C. Provide security for FSB T-Bone. Conduct local patrols around FSB T-Bone. 1 plat move to vic YD654217 and secure LZ for Co B.

(4) Co D. Occupy night position vic YD602139. Continue to search area vic YD602139 then conduct RIF operation NW to vic YD598143.

(5) Recon Plat. From night position vic YD558176 conduct RIF operation to vic YD552178 then S to vic YD553168 and establish a blocking position oriented S.

c. 1-502 Inf.

(1) Co A. Provide security for AN LO Bridge. 1 plat move by CH-47 at

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0830 hrs to COL CO Beach for R&R.

(2) Co B. From night position YD731327 search area vic YD724330 and W to village vic YD715330.

(3) Co C. From night position vic YD632328 conduct search of area vic YD640335

(4) Co D. Continue to search area vic YD610294. Secure bulldozer clearing operation and conduct local patrols.

(5) Recon Plat. Provide security for AN LO Bridge.

d. 2-17 Cav.

(1) Trp A. Trp (-) provide security for FSB PINKY. 2 plats move by vehicle at 0800 hrs and assume security mission of QL 1 south of HUE.

(2) Trp B. Occupy night position at LZ SALLY. 1st Plat conduct maintenance and training at LZ SALLY. 2d Plat establish day OP vic YD620270, then return to SALLY. 3d Plat occupy night position at LZ SALLY. At 0800 hrs conduct RIF operation W to vic YD6127 then S along east bank of SONG BO to vic YD6024 and return to LZ SALLY. Establishes ambushes vic YD606248 and YD612253. 1 sqd link up with 1 PF platoon and establish OP vic YD615280.

(3) Aero Rifle Plat. Provide security for FSB PINKY. At 0700 hrs 2 sqds conduct RIF operation to vic YD670237 and return to FSB PINKY. Establish ambush vic YD670248.

3. (C) Cumulative Results:

a. Friendly losses: 53 US KHA, 395 US WHA (304 medevac).

b. Enemy assessment:

(1) Personnel: 335 NVA KIA (BC), 428 VC KIA (BC), 34 NVA POW, 300 VC POW, 22 returnees.

(2) Weapons: Indiv weapons 363, crew served weapons 63, 103 SKS's, 24 M16's, 13 carbines, 9 sub MG's, 37 M1 carbines, 12 M2 carbines, 91 AK-47's, 13 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), 13 9mm pistols, 14 AK-50's, 16 IMG's, 3 HMG's, 16 K-44's, 7 M1's, 8 .45 cal pistols, 1 81mm mortar tube, 3 LAW's, (dest), 2 M79, 1 82mm mortar.

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(3) Munitions: 16 CHICOM grenades (dest), 21,270 rds SA, 108 60mm mortar rds (dest), 66 B-40 (dest), 33 82mm mortar rds (dest), 4 250 lb bombs (dest), 101 lbs CHICOM C-4 (dest), 6 105mm rds (dest).

(4) Miscellaneous: 341.6 tons rice, 1 ton salt, 100 50 lb bags cement, 1 PRC-10, 1 CHICOM 2 watt radio, and 1 CHICOM field phone. Group 4

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