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SUBJECT: Commander's Situation Report 212001H July 68 - 222000H 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: 10 US WHA (7 medevac). Enemy assessment 5 VC KIA (BC), 2 VC PW.

b. 1-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. Occupied night position vic YD835245 and ambushed vic YD840250, YD842253, YD848259 and YD846256. At 0346 hrs ambush at YD846256 engaged movement vic YD851257 with SA and 22 2000 claymore. Illumination was fired and the area swept with negative results. Co A conducted RIF operation SW to vic YD829240 1 7

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then W along N side of canal to vic YD807253. At 1000 hrs vic YD835242 destroyed BBT 105 round. At 1105 hrs vic YD825241 destroyed BBT grenade.

- (2) Co B. Provided security for COL CO Beach and ambushed vic YD872303, YD802331 and YD813332.
- (3) Co C. Occupied night position vic YD847221. Conducted RIF operation NW to vic YD836233, then W along side of canal to vic YD806246. At 0156 hrs vic YD844227 engaged movement with arty with unknown results. At 0750 hrs lst plat conducted airlift from PZ vic YD863276 to FSB MONGOOSE closed at 0810 hrs. Then moved by truck and assumed security of bridge sites vic YD750210 and YD781209 and LCU Ramp vic YD773223. At 1800 hrs vic YD80624 sustained 1 US WHA from sniper fire from vic YD804249. The enemy was engaged with SA, AW and arty with negative results.
- (4) Co D. Provided security for FSB MONGOOSE and POL pipeline along Highway 551.
 - (5) Recon Plat. OPCON Co A.
- (6) 1-54 ARVN. From night position vic YD824223, conducted attack on 2 axis W to vic YD706224 and vic YD788210. At 0845 hrs vic YD805214 captured 3 VC. At 1145 hrs elements of 1-54 ARVN were inserted into LZ's vic YD809225, YD812219, YD8192225, YD825229, YD825232 and YD825235 in order to detain personnel evading the attack operation. During the insertion helicopters supporting the operation engaged and killed 4 VC and wounded 1. A total of 22 VC were captured in this operation and 38 detainees evacuated to HUONG TRA District for questioning.
- (7) C/2-34 Armor. Occupied night position vic YD864273 and ambushed vic YD863263 and YD858268. Conducted RIF operation S to vic YD868238 then N to vic YD868248. At 1235 hrs vic YD867243 sustained 5 US WHA from unknown type BBT. 2 medevac completed at 1254 hrs. At 1920 hrs vic YD868248 received 7 60mm mortar rounds from vic YD865235. Arty was fired on the suspected mortar location with unknown results. At 1950 hrs vic YD806246 received SA

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and AW fire from vic YD805248. The enemy was engaged with SA and arty as Co C maneuvered against the location with negative assessment.

- (8) 917 RF. Co. Occupied night position vic YD838210. Conducted RIF SE to vic YD845195 and returned to establish a blocking position from YD834205 to YD840213.
- (9) National Field Force Police. Occupied night position vic YD783243 and established blocking position from YD783237 to YD781250.
- (10) B/2-501 Inf. Provided security for QL 1 and HUE bridges until 0900 hrs at which time relieved by A/2-17 (-) and returned to OPCON 2-501 Inf.
- (11) Remarks: At 0850 hrs vic YD820230 1-501 Inf C&C helicopter engaged and killed 1 VC and captured 2.
- (12) Location of Bn elements at close of reporting period: Bn CP FSB MONGOOSE; Co A YD815255; Co B FSB SHIRLEY; Co C YD799241; Co D FSB MONGOOSE; Recon Plat YD815255; C/2-34 Armor YD869254.

c. 2-501 Inf.

- (1) Go A. Occupied night position vic YD561161. Continued to attack SW to vic YD560159. At 1125 hrs vic YD560158 received SA fire from 3 VC. Also received claymores fired from trees resulting in 3 US WHA (3 medevac). The enemy was engaged with organic weapons supported by arty and air strikes. Contact was maintained with Co A maneuvering against the enemy. Contact was broken by the enemy at 1324 hrs with negative enemy assessment.
- (2) Co B. OPCON to 1-501 Inf until 0900 hrs. At 0905 hrs conduct heliborne movement from PZ vic YD794196 to LZ vic YD654215 closing at 1005 hrs. Conducted RIF operation NW to vic YD628223.
- (3) Co C. Provided security for FSB T-BONE and ambushed vic YD655215, YD647218, YD620208 and YD628206. At 0710 hrs 1 plat moved to vic YD654215 and secured LZ for Co B. 1st plat conducted RIF operation to vic YD621210.
- (4) Co D. Occupied night position vic YD602139 and ambushed vic YD603153. Conducted RIF operation to vic YD597137, YD600135 and YD607145. At 0745 hrs vic YD600137 received sniper fire resulting in 1 US WHA (medevac).

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SA fire and arty was returned as the company maneuvered against the enemy. A thorough search of the area was conducted with negative enemy assessment.

- (5) Recon Plat. Occupied night position vic YD558176. Conducted RIF operation to vic YD551171.
- (6) Location of Bn elements at close of reporting period: Bn CP FSB T-BONE; Co A YD560159; Co B YD628223; Co C FSB T-BONE; Co D YD606136; Recon Plat YD550172.

d. 1-502 Inf.

- (1) Co A. Provided security for AN LO Bridge. 1 plat moved by CH-47 at 0905 hrs to COL CO Beach for R&R standown closing at 0920 hrs. At 1350 hrs 1 plat conducted RIF operation to vic YD615318, YD611321 and YD624325. At 1540 hrs vic YD613320 destroyed BBT CHICOM claymore. At 1750 hrs vic YD624320 received SA fire from vic YD624324 with negative casualties. Co A maneuvered against the enemy firing SA and AW supported by arty and 4.2" mortar. The enemy broke contact immediately with negative results.
- (2) Co B. Occupied night position vic YD731327 and ambushed vic YD728336, YD735327, YD727313 and YD723328. At O642 hrs vic YD728336 ambush engaged and killed 1 VC. 1st plat conducted RIF operation to vic YD731327.

 3d Plat conducted Eagle Flight at 1415 hrs from PZ vic YD724328 to LZ vic YD710305 completed at 1430 hrs. Conducted RIF operation to vic YD713313. 2d plat conducted Eagle Flight at 1430 hrs from PZ vic YD730315 to LZ vic YD703333 completed at 0745 hrs. Conducted RIF operation to vic YD715330.
- (3) Co C. Occupied night position vic YD626348 and ambushed vic YD630342 and YD627338. At 2125 hrs vic YD628330 ambush received burst of AK-47 fire with negative casualties. SA and AW fire was returned at the enemy with unknown results. Co C conducted RIF operation to vic YD629344 with 2 scout dogs attached. At 0930 hrs vic YD625341 picked up 4 detainees who were later classified innocent civilians.
- (4) Co D. Occupied night position vic YD611295 and ambushed vic YD607278 and YD612277. At 0735 hrs 3d plat conducted RIF operation to vic

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YD599267, N along W bank of river to vic YD610275. Co (-) continued to secure bulldozer clearing operations vic YD611294.

- (5) Recon Plat. OPCON Co A.
- (6) Location of Bn elements at close of reporting period: Bn CP FSB OMAHA; Co A AN LO Bridge; Co B YD715328; Co C YD621344; Co D YD611245; Recon Plat AN LO Bridge.
 - e. 2-17 Cav.
- (1) Trp A. Provided security for FSB PINKY and ambushed vic YD677265, YD663272 and YD668276. At O700 hrs Trp (-) conducted move to vic YD8417 and became OPCON to 1-501 Inf at O900 hrs. Trp (-) provided security for QL 1 from vic YD865156 NW to HUE. 2d Plat remained at FSB PINKY and provided security.
- (2) Trp B. Occupied night position at LZ SALLY and ambushed vic YD614283, YD626261 and YD609268. 1st plat conducted maintenance and training at LZ SALLY. 2d Plat from night position vic YD637242 returned to LZ SALLY and at 1130 hrs moved to FSB PINKY. 3d Plat conducted RIF operation to vic YD608245 and returned to LZ SALLY. 1 sqd established OP with 1 PF plat vic YD618283.
- (3) Aero Rifle Plat. Provided security for FSB PINKY and ambushed vic YD669240. Conducted RIF operation to vic YD669241, and returned to FSB PINKY.
- (4) Location of Sqdn elements at close of reporting period: Sqdn CP FSB PINKY; Trp B LZ SALLY; Aero Rifle Plat 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. With Recon Plat from night position vic YD815255 conduct RIF operation NE to vic YD827267 then SW through the village vic YD815265.
 - (2) Co B. Provide security for FSB SHIRLEY and COL CO Beach.
- (3) Co C. Co (-) from night position vic YD799241 conduct Eagle
 Flight at 0900 hrs around the AO. Mission will be to screen and interrogate
 any groups of personnel in the rice paddies. 1st Plat continues to maintain

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liaison with 741st RF Co with sqds at bridges vic YD750210, YD781209 and plat (-) at LCU Ramp vic YD772223.

- (4) Co D. Provide security for FSB MONGOOSE and occupy strong points along Highway 551.
 - (5) Recon Plat. OPCON Co A.
- (6) C/2-34 Armor. From night position vic YD869254 RIF to vic YD852241 then N along the road to vic YD8626.
- (7) A/2-17 Cav. Trp (-) occupy strong points vic YD808186, YD838176 and ambush along POL pipeline paralleling QL 1.
 - b. 2-501 Inf.
- (1) Co A. From night position vic YD560159 continued to attack SW to vic YD553151.
- (2) Co B. From night position vic YD629224 conduct local platoon RIF operations in that vicinity.
- (3) Co C. Provide security for FSB T-BONE. 1 plat conduct RIF operation vic YD6320 and return.
- (4) Co D. From night position vic YD606136 conduct RIF operation NW to vic YD597147.
 - (5) Recon Plat. Maintain blocking position vic YD553168 oriented S. d. 1-502 Inf.
- (1) Co A, with Recon Plat. Provide security for AN LO Bridge. 1 plat conduct RIF operation to vic YD610322, YD622330 and return to AN LO Bridge.
- (2) Co B. From night position vic conduct saturation patrols with elements of 2 sqds in size in an area bounded by YD710305, YD710340, YD740340, and YD740305.
- (3) Co C. From night position vic YD621344 l plat establish blocking position vic YD627332 oriented SW in support of RIF operation by l plat Co A. 2 plats establish blocking positions vic YD632339 and YD635333, in support of PF operation. At 0730 hrs 4 PF plats will conduct combat assault from QUANG District Hqs to LZ's vic YD646339, YD650347, and YD628354. From LZ's conduct

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RIF operation from vic YJ643343 SW into Co C blocking positions.

- (4) Co D. Continue security of bulldozer clearing operations vic YD613294. Conduct local patrols.
 - (5) Recon Plat. OFCON Co A.
 - d. 2-17 Cav.
- (1) Trp A. Trp (-) OFCON 1-501 Inf. 1 plat provide security for FSB PINKY.
- (2) Trp B. Occupy night position LZ SALLY. 1st plat conduct RIF operation S to vic YD640246, then NW to vic YD618257, then N to vic YD617273. 1 sqd establish OP vic YD616277 with 1 PF plat. 2d plat provide security for FSB PINKY. 3d plat conduct training and maintenance at LZ SALLY.
- (3) Aero Rifle Plat. Provide security for FSB FINKY. At 1300 hrs 2 sqds conduct RIF operation to vic YD665254, S to YD661242 and return to FSB PINKY.
- 3. (C) Cumulative Results:
 - a. Friendly losses: 53 US KHA, 504 US WHA (311 medevac).
 - b. Enemy assessment:
- (1) Personnel: 335 NV. KIA (BC), 435 VC KIA (BC), 34 NVA FOW, 302 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 pitols, 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's, 1 82mm mortar.
- (3) Munitions: 16 CHICOM grenades (dest), 21270 rounds 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, 1CHICOM 2 watt radio and 1 CHICOM field phone. Group 4

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