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INFO: CO, 1-501 Inf (Message Center) CO, 2-501 Inf CO, 1-502 Inf 11 CO, 1-321 Arty 11 CO, 6/326 Engr 11 CO, B/326 Med CO, 188th AHC 2d FASCP, 501st Sig 2d Fwd Spt Plat, 801st Maint 2d Plat, 101st MP 60 2d Plat, 265th RRC Tm 2, 101st MI Det 34th PI lst Bde, 101st Air Cav Div, Camp EAGLE, RVN " 3d Bde, 82d Abn Div, Camp EAGLE, RVN 1st Air Cav Div, Camp EVANS, RVN 47th Scout Dog Plat

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SUBJECT: Commander's Situation Report 282001H July 68 - 292000H July 68

### 1. (C) Operations Summary:

a. General: 2d Bde, 101st Air Cav Div continue to conduct offensive operations in support of Operation NEVADA

EAGLE to limit and disrupt attempts made by the entmy 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 8 contacts.

Today's statistics: 1 US WHA. Enemy assessment - 3 VC PW, 16 VC KIA, 1 VC returnee, 4 M16, 2 AK-47, 2 SKS, 2 .30 cal MG, 1 M1, 18 82mm mortar rds, .1 105mm rd, 28 81mm mortar rds, 1 .45 cal pistol, 1 RPG-2 AT/GL, 4.5 tons rice,

b. 1-501 Inf.

- (1) Co A. Provided security for COL CO Beach.
- (2) Co B. Occupied night position vic YD824242 and 29 2000 ambushed vic YD725245, YD825240 and YD822242. Conducted RIF July 1968 operation from vic YD823241 SE to YD837233. At 0830 hrs 1 6

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destroyed 1 105 rd vic YD826238. At 1302 hrs vic YD834236 found and destroyed 250 lbs rice. At 1320 hrs vic YD834236 apprehended 1 detainee who was evacuated to PHU VONG District Hqs. At 1815 hrs vic YD835236 engaged 4 VC vic YD834236 resulting in 1 VC WIA suspect. The other three fled immediately to the N. 1 Plat pursued and lost contact vic YD833238.

- (3) Co C. Provided security for FSB MONGOOSE.
- (4) Co D. Occupied night position vic YD813238 and ambushed vic YD808245, YD812243 and YD806241. Conducted combat assault at 0643 hrs from PZ vic YD805237 to 3 IZ's vic YD867234, YDC5G235, and YD848223 closing at 0720 hrs. 1 plat vic YD846223 to YD850220 established blocking position in support of Co (-) which conducted hIF operation from LZ's vic YD867234 and YD858235 to the SW. At 1300 hrs 1 plat conducted combat assault from vic YD850220 to IZ vic YD866210 closing at 1306 hrs. Conducted RIF operation NW to vic YD850220 and joined the Co (-). At 1335 hrs vic YD873217 picked up 2 detainees which were evacuated to LZ SALLY. At 1840 hrs vic YD848224 engaged 4 VC vic YD846225 with organic weapons. The VC returned fire with SA resulting in 1 US WHA. The enemy fled immediately to the NW. Medevac complete at 1931 hrs. At 1940 hrs vic YD848222 engaged 3 VC vic YD 848215 with arty. The enemy immediately fled to the NE. The Co did not pursue due to darkness.
  - (5) Recon Plat. Provided liaison with 741st RF Co at bridge sites vic YD750210, YD781209 and LCU Ramp vic YD773223.
  - (6) At 1925 hrs vic YD807238 1-501 C&C helicopter received SA fire from 4-5 enemy located vic YD808228 and YD810243 and YD798242. The enemy was engaged with SA by the Bn CO and SCM resulting in 2 VC KIA (BC). Arty was fired on the area resulting in 3 secondary explosions.
  - (7) Locations of Bn elements at close of reporting period. Bn CP FSB MONGOOSE, Co A COL CO Beach, Co B YD830239, Co C FSB MONGOOSE, Jo D YD849222, Recon Pl t YD773223.

### c. 2-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. Conducted stand down at LZ SALLY. At 0922 hrs 1 plat moved by CH-47 to COL CO Beach for R&R. At 1500 hrs Co (-) moved by CH-47 to FSB T-Bone and assumed security of FSB T-Bone at 1528 hrs.

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- (2) Co B. Occupied night position vic YD638245 and ambushed vic YD604 238, YD627241, YD646247, and YD658245. At 0831 hrs conducted combat assault from PZ vic YD636247 to LZ vic YD587156 closing at 0924 hrs. From LZ conducted RIF operation to vic YD597146. At 1150 hrs vic YD589148 found 1 US light observation plane SN 112667 which appeared to have crashed some time ago.
- (3) Co C. With Recon Plat. Occupied night position vic YD551149 and ambushed vic YD554163, YD556157, YD555152, and YD555148. Continued to conduct detailed search of area vic YD5515. At 1818 hrs vic YD559167, YD549161, and YD 548162 found a total of 6 sunken sampans tied to trees. Will ambush those locations.
- (4) Co D. From night position vic YD622152 and ambushed vic YD622149.

  Co (-) conducted RIF operation NW to vic YD620156, and YD624158. At 0755 hrs vic YD624158 found 17 rds 82mm mortar destroyed in place. At 0835 hrs vic YD624158 found 2 SKS, 1 Ml rifle, and 1 B-40 AT/GL. 1 plat conducted RIF operation at 0610 hrs from FSB T-Bone to vic YD638245, YD634258, YD636255, YD629251, YD635248 and YD625247. At 1703 hrs Co (-) conducted heliborne movement from PZ vic YD619153 to LZ vic YD653330, closing at 1803 hrs at which time became OPCON to 1-502.
  - (5) Recon Plat. OPCON Co C.
  - (6) Locations of Bn elements at close of reporting period. Bn CP FSB T-Bone, Co A FSB T-Bone, Co B YD597145, Co C YD552162, Co D YD667293, Recon Plat YD552164.

## d. 1-502 Inf.

- (1) Co A. Provided security for AN IO Bridge and ambushed vic YD608312 and YD618309. At 1300 hrs moved to and established blocking positions vic YD655 305 in support of Co B.
- (2) Co B. Occupied night position vic YD682297 and ambushed vic YD675 297 and YD683308. At 2140 hrs vic YD682297 engaged 3 VC with SA approximately 100 meters E of night position. The area was searched with negative findings. Conducted RIF operation to vic YD677297, YD675285, YD677298, YD655294, YD661296 and YD660303. At 0747 hrs vic YD681305 received SA fire from vic YD678303. SA fire was returned as 1 plat maneuvered against the enemy location. The enemy

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fled immediately. At 0935 hrs vic YD668248 found 4.5 tons rice. At 0940 hrs vic YD648288 destroyed 28 rds 81mm mortar illumination found in bunker. At 1110 hrs vic YD667298 engaged and killed 2 VC and captured 1 VC PW, 1 AK-47 and 1 M16. At 1300 hrs vic YD653293 received SA fire from vic YD661296. SA fire was returned as 1 plat maneuvered against the enemy capturing 2 VC PW, and 1 returnee. At 1630 hrs vic YD655294 and YD660303 engaged and killed 9 VC and captured 2.30 cal MG, 1 AK-47, 3 M16 and 1.45 cal pistol.

- (3) Co C. Occupied night position vic YD610290 and ambushed vic YD608 294. Provided security for bulldozer clearing operations. At 1125 hrs from PZ vic YD610290 l plat moved by CH-47 to vic YD406034 and went OPCON 1-327 Inf at 1200 hrs.
  - (4) Co D. OPCON 1-327 Inf.
- (5) Recon Plat. Occupied night position vic YD690275 and ambushed vic YD690278. At O919 hrs from PZ vic YD683267 moved by CH-47 to COL Co Beach closing at O930 hrs.
- (6) D/2-501. At 1722 hrs conducted combat assault from PZ vic YD619153 to IZ vic YD652300 complete at 1815 hrs. From IZ established blocking position from vic YD664306 to YD664293.
- (7) At 1548 hrs 2 PF plats conducted combat assault from FSB OMAHA to LZ's vic YD660310 and YD665295 complete at 1620 hrs. Conducted sweep to vic YD 661301 and 1 plat established blocking position vic YD665310 in support of Co B. Results of PF operation 2 VC KIA, 4 VC PW, 1 AK-47. At 1600 hrs vic YD655530 C&C helicopter Co 2d Bde engaged and killed 3 VC.
- (8) Location of Bn elements at close of reporting period. Bn CP FSB OMAHA, Co A AN LO Bridge and YD654305, Co B YD652293, Co C YD610290, Co D YD414 033, Recon Plat COL CO Beach.
  - e. 2d Bde HHC Security Plat. Secured minesweep N and S from 1Z SALLY.
- 2. (C) Plans Summary:
  - a. 1-501 Inf.
    - (1) Co A. Provide security for COL CO Beach.
- (2) Co B. From night position vic YD830239 conduct RIF operation to vic YD8221 then SE along both sides of canal to vic YD8420.

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- (3) Co C. Provide security for FSB MONGOUSE.
- (4) Co D. From night position vic YD849222 conduct RIF operation S and SW to search village vic YD850203, then SE to vic YD853196, then NW along both sides of the canal to vic YD845206.
- (5) Recon Plat. Continue to provide liaison with 741st RF Co at bridge sites vic YD750210, YD781209, and LCU Ramp vic YD773223.
- (6) 1 plat tanks from C/2-34 Armor continue to conduct stand down at FSB MONGOOSE.

#### b. 2-501 Inf.

- (1) Co A. Co (-) provide security for FSB T-Bone. 1 Plat return from COL CO Beach to FSB T-Bone at 1600 hrs by CH-47. I plat at night ambush position establish blocking position vic YD630190. 1 plat providing security for FSB T-Bone conduct RIF operation SW to vic YD637183, then W to vic YD630183, then N into blocking position at YD630190.
- (2) Co B. From night position vic YD597145 continue to RIF E to vic YD 610144.
- (3) Co C. With Recon Plat. From night position vic YD552162 continue to conduct detailed search of area vic YD5515. At completion of search conduct RIF operation SE to vic YD561151.
  - (4) Co D. OPCON 1-502 Inf.
  - (5) Recon Plat. OFCON Co C.

### c. 1-502 Inf.

- (1) Co A. Co (-) with 3 tanks from C/2-34 Armor provide blocking position at night location from vic YD654306 to YD651293 in support of cordon operation. 1 plat with 1 plat Co C and composite platoon from IZ SALLY provide security for AN LO Bridge.
- (2) Co B. Provide blocking position at night location from YD651293 to YD664293 in support of cordon operation.
- (3) Co C. From night position at YD610290 continue to provide security for bulldozer clearing operations vic YD610290. 1 plat OPCON 1-327 Inf.
  - (4) Co D. OPCON 1-327 Inf.
  - (5) Recon Plat. From night position at COL CO Beach at 1600 hrs move by

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CH-47 to AN LO Bridge.

- (6) 2 PF plats from blocking position vic YD654306 to YD664306 conduct search of village complex to the S supported by blocking positions provided by Co A (-), Co B, and D/2-501.
- (7) D/2-501. Provide blocking position vic YD664306 to vic YD664293.

  3. (C) Cumulative Results:
  - a. Friendly losses: 54 US KHA, 524 US WHA (326 medevac).
  - b. Enemy assessment:
- (1) Personnel: 340 NVA KIA (BC), 480 VC KIA (BC), 34 NV. POW, 325 VC POW, 24 returnees.
- (2) Weapons: Indiv weapons 298, crew served weapons 66, 115 SKS's, 31 M16's, 14 carbines, 11 sub MG's, 38 M1 carbines, 14 M2 carbines, 95 AK-47's, 14 RPG-2 launcher, u RPG-7 launchers, 2 P-38 pistols, 1 flare pistol (dest), 1 Russian rifle, 1 Springfield rifle, 7 BAR's, 4 bolt action rifles, 3 AK-47's (dest), 13 9mm pistols, 14 AK-50's, 16 LMG's, 3 HMG's, 19 K-44's, 8 M1's, 9 .45 cal pistols, 1 81mm mortar tube, 3 LAW's (dest), 2 M79's, 1 82mm mortar, 2 .30 cal MG.
- (3) Munitions: 25 CHICOM grenades (dest), 22890 rds SA, 123 60mm mortar rds (dest), 146 B-40 (dest), 73 82mm mortar rds (dest), 5 250 lb bombs (dest), 151 lbs CHICOM C-4 (dest), 9 105mm rds (dest), 104 rds 57mm, 1 CHICOM claymore, 20 lbs TNT, 28 81mm mortar rds.
- (4) Miscellaneous: 353.5 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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