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SUBJECT: Commander's Situation Report
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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 4 contacts. Today's Statistics: 1 US KIA, 7 US WIA (6 medevac). Enemy assessment: 10 VC KIA (BC), 1 VC POW, 1 M2 carbine, 1 LMG, 1 AK-50, 2 Russian bolt action rifles, 1 RFG-7 launcher (destroyed), 37,000 lbs of rice, 2000 lbs salt.

b. 1-501 Inf.

(1) Co A, Recon Plat. Conducted a joint cordon and search operation of villages vic YD808271 and YD815265. At 2350 hrs Co A moved from night position vic YD816254 to establish a blocking position vic YD823274 to YD818262, in position at 0057 hrs. Recon Plat moved from night position with Co A to a blocking

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position vic YD818262 to YD807260, in position at 0100 hrs. Elements of Marine CAP Teams 1, 2, and 3 established a blocking position by 0150 hrs extending from YD807260 to YD808277. NFFF elements had 2 boats stationed vic YD827286 to YD836278 to block and search all river traffic departing the cordoned villages. At 0320 hrs the 239th RF Co linked up with the CAP Teams. The following morning the 239th RF Co made a search of the village with no enemy assessment. Co A at 0550 hrs vic YD828273 engaged 1 VC trying to escape. Results 1 VC KIA (BC). The operation was completed at 1030 hrs resulting in 11 detainees, 4 picked up by Co A, 7 picked up by NFFF elements searching sampans. 1 was classified as a VC POW, remainder classified IC. Co A then moved to a day position vic YD819247. Began moving at 1815 hrs and at 1845 hrs vic YD832238 engaged 10-12 VC with arty with negative enemy assessment. At 1945 hrs vic YD827237 3d Plat engaged 2 VC with negative enemy assessment. The Recon Plat moved to a day position vic YD805254.

(2) Co B. Provided security for FSB MONGOOSE and established strong points from vic YD776228 to YD847164 along POL pipeline. Elements of Co B at FSB MONGOOSE provided minesweep security N and S from FSB MONGOOSE. During the day elements conducted local patrols along the pipeline.

(3) Co C. Occupied Co CP vic YD808186 and 1 plat CP with 1 PF plat secured bridge vic YD838176. Co (-) provided security for pipeline by establishing strong points vic YD776226 to YD857164. During the day conducted patrols along the pipeline.

Co D. Provided security for COLCO Beach and ambushed vic YD870303, YD807305. From 0215 hrs to 0710 hrs 1 sqd established a position vic YD819283 in support of the cordon and search operation.

(5) Locations of Bn elements at close of reporting period. Bn CP FSB MONGOOSE, Co A YD827246, Co B FSB MONGOOSE, Co C YD808186, Co D YD845230, Recon Plat YD793248.

c. 2-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. Provided security for HUE Bridges and improved defensive positions. At 1700 hrs 1 RF Co replaced the NFFF Plat, Railroad Security Co, and Area Developments Team.

(2) Co B. OFCON 2-17 Cav.

(3) Co C. (Working with 1 RF plat). Occupied night position vic YD639197 with 1st plat at YD633206. Conducted search vic YD6319 and YD6320 until approx 1300 hrs. Conducted RIF operation to vic YD638218 and YD665245. 2 plats moved to FSB PINKY for security mission. Co (-) with RF Co remained vic YD669246 and established an ambush.

(4) Co D. Co (-) secured FSB PINKY. At 0429 hrs Co (-) conducted RIF operation to vic YD683285, where 1 PF plat linked up at 0815 hrs. Searched village during the morning until 1230 hrs when a blocking position was established vic YD684276 to YD685288. At 1405 hrs received 8 to 10 rds M79 fire with negative casualties. Arty was fired with negative enemy assessment. At 1900 hrs moved to vic YD681264, then established night ambush vic YD6827. 1st Plat secured OP T-Bone and conducted sqd size combat patrol to vic YD655219 and returned.

(5) Recon Plat. Occupied night position vic YD621248 and ambushed vic YD632242 and YD611242. Conducted RIF operation to vic YD664255. At 1400 hrs established a blocking position from vic YD691273 to YD684277. At 1515 hrs closed into blocking position and reverted to OFCON Co D.

(6) Locations of Bn elements at close of reporting period. Bn CP FSB PINKY, Co A YD750210, Co B OFCON 2-17, Co C FSB PINKY, Co D YD687273, Recon Plat YD691272.

d. 1-502 Inf.

(1) Co A. Occupied night position vic YD688318 and ambushed vic YD684312. At 2115 hrs ambush engaged 6 enemy with SA and claymores. Arty supported. Results 5 VC KIA (BC), 1 M2 carbine, 1 US WIA. Co (-) conducted RIF operation to vic YD676317, with 3d Plat blocking vic YD684312. At 1440 hrs conducted a combat assault from PZ vic YD684312 to LZ vic YD692288. Closed LZ at 1513 hrs. Conducted RIF operation to vic YD684280. At 1047 hrs vic YD676306 received sniper fire. Engaged with SA and arty supported. Negative casualties. Negative enemy assessment. At 1105 hrs vic YD678316 sustained 1 US KIA, 5 US WIA (medevac) from an unknown type explosive BBT. At 1227 hrs vic YD684312 sustained 1 US WIA from BBT (medevac).

(2) Co B. Provided security for AN LO Bridge and ambushed vic YD600310, YD606312, and YD611312. At 2353 hrs received 1 82mm mortar rd vic of bridge. Negative casualties. Secured minesweep from AN LO Bridge, NW to AO boundary vic YD604311.

(3) Co C. Occupied night position vic YD726332. Following extraction of 6 tons rice conducted RIF operation to vic YD715335. At 1105 hrs vic YD713338 found 4 tons of rice. At 1205 hrs found an addition 4½ tons of rice same vicinity. At 1629 hrs vic YD716333 received sniper fire. Negative casualties. Arty supported with no enemy assessment.

(4) Co D. Occupied night position vic YD719295. Co (-) provided security for bulldozer operation vic YD715295. 1 plat with 1 IF plat conducted RIF operation to vic YD688294. At 1300 hrs began moving S to vic YD692276. At 0910 hrs vic YD703298 received sniper fire with negative casualties. Returned fire with SA, negative enemy assessment.

(5) Recon Plat. OFCON Co B.

(6) Locations of Bn elements at close of reporting period. Bn CP FSB OMAHA, Co A YD688280, Co B AN LO Bridge, Co C YD715337, Co D YD719295, Recon Plat OFCON Co B.

e. 2-17 Cav.

(1) Troop A. Provided security for FSB FORWARD and ambushed vic YD869266. Conducted RIF operation to vic YD853232. At 0930 hrs vic YD855238 found NVA LBE that was BBT with grenade, destroyed in place. At 1605 hrs vic YD881249 found and destroyed 1 EBT grenade.

(2) Troop B. Occupied night position vic YD952179 and ambushed vic YD958178. Conducted a search of the village area vic YD9617. At 1143 hrs vic YD964177 found 18,000 lbs rice and 2000 lbs salt.

(3) Co B, 2-501 Inf. Occupied night position vic YD973170 and ambushed vic YD968174 and YD980164. At 2028 hrs ambush vic YD980164 received 3 to 4 RIG rds from estimated 7 VC vic YD979163. Engaged with SA and claymore mines. Negative casualties. Negative enemy assessment. Conducted a search of the village area vic YD9716 and NW to vic YD967173. At 1010 hrs vic YD968176 found 2 Russian

bolt action rifles, and at 1115 hrs found 1 RPG-7 launcher. At 1410 hrs vic YL971 167 found 4 VC bodies approx 3 days old, killed by arty. At 1555 hrs vic YL968 176 approx 20 meters off shore, found 1 LMG, 1 RPG-7 launcher, 1 AK-50.

- (4) Aero Rifle Plat. OFCON Trp A.
- (5) Tank Plat, Co A, 1st Tank Bn, 1st Mar Div. OFCON Trp A.
- (6) Ontos Plat, Co A, 1st AT, 1st Tank Bn, 1st Mar Div. OFCON Trp A.
- (7) Amtrack Plat, 1st Mar Div. OFCON B/2-501.
- (8) 2d Bde HHC Security Plat. Secured FSB SABRE and secured minesweep

to HUE.

- (9) 2/C/2-34 Armor. Conducted maintenance at Camp EAGLE.

(10) Remarks: During the afternoon the IF plats (-) working with Trp A and Trp B were replaced by different IF plats (-).

(11) Locations of Squadron elements at close of reporting period. Sqdn CP FSB SABRE, Trp A FSB FORWARD, Trp B YL950179, B 2-501 YL968172.

2. (C) Plans Summary:

a. 1-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. From night position vic YL827246 conducted RIF operation S to vic YL827238, then continue SE astride the river to vic YL830218. 1/1/A secures bridge YL838176 with 1 IF plat.

(2) Co B. Provide security for pipeline by establishing strong points vic YL775250 to YL811296. 1 plat provide security for FSB MONGOOSE and secure minesweep N and S from FSB MONGOOSE. 1 squad secure pumping station vic YL775250.

(3) Co C. At 0630 hrs conduct a combat assault from plat night positions vic YL808186, YL785204, and YL838176 to an LZ vic YL934252. Conduct RIF operation NW.

(4) Co D. 1 plat provide security for COLCO Beach. Co (-) conduct RIF operation SE along peninsula towards Co C.

(5) Recon Plat. From night position vic YL793249 conduct RIF operation approx 1500 meters east, then approx 1500 meters west.

b. 2-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. Provide security for HUE Bridges and improve defensive positions. (Security forces augmented by 1 RF Co).

(3) Co C. Provide security for FSB PINKY and secure minesweep S to HUE. At 0900 hrs 2d Flat moves to OP T-Bone by CH-47 and assumes security mission.

(4) Co D. 1st Flat returns to FSB PINKY from OP T-Bone by CH-47 when relieved by 2d Flat Co C. Conduct RIF operation with 1 RF Flat from FSB PINKY to vic YD653234, then to YD630180.

(5) Recon Flat (Working with 1 RF plat). From night position vic YD691272 move to vic YD691258 and move by truck to LZ SALLY. Stand down until 1600 hrs, then move to vic YD620255 and establish ambushes.

c. 1-502 Inf.

(1) Co A. (Working with 1 IF plat). Remain vic of THUOC YEN village YD688280 to provide security for refugees returning to search area for salvagable belongings.

(2) Co B. Provide security for AN LO Bridge and improve defensive positions. Ambush at night and conduct mounted patrol during the day of sector of QL 1 from AN LO Bridge NW to AO boundary.

(3) Co C. (Working with 1 IF plat). From night position vic YD715337, following extraction of rice cache, conduct RIF operation to vic YD753338 and YD768328.

(4) Co D. Co (-) secure bulldozer operation vic YD718295. 1 plat with 1 IF plat conduct RIF operation to vic YD693303.

(5) Recon Flat. OIFCON Co B.

d. 2-17 Cav.

(1) Troop A. Provide security for FSB FORWARD and conduct maintenance. Aero Rifle Flat with IF plat conduct local patrols south.

(2) Troop B. With IF plat and Co B 2-501 Inf. Return to village area vic YD9617 and YD9716, and continue search of area for cache. Employ underwater divers to search in water along coast for weapon caches.

(3) Aero Rifle Flat. OFCON Trp A.

(4) Tank Flat, Co A, 1st Tk Bn, 1st Mar Div. OIFCON Trp A.

(5) Ontos Flat, Co A, 1st AT, 1st Tk Bn, 1st Mar Div. OFCON Trp A.

(6) Amtrack Flat, 1st Mar Div. OFCON Co B, 2-501 Inf.

de HHC Security Flat. Secure FSB SABRE and minesweep to QL 1.

(8) 2/C/2-34 Armor. Conduct maintenance at Camp EAGLE.

3. (C) Cumulative Results:

a. Friendly losses: 20 US KIA, 235 US WIA (172 medevac).

b. Enemy assessment:

(1) Personnel: 270 NVA KIA (BC), 247 VC KIA (BC), 25 NVA POW, 78 VC POW.

(2) Weapons: Individual weapons 199, crew served 47. 57 SKS's, 14 ML6's, 10 carbines, 6 sub MG, 23 M1 carbines, 10 M2 carbines, 50 AK-47's, 12 HIG-2 launchers, 8 HIG-7 launchers, 2 P-38 pistols, 2 82mm mortar tubes, 7 60mm mortar tubes, 3 CHICOM submachine pistols, 1 flare pistol (dest), 1 Russian rifle, 1 Springfield rifle, 7 BAR's, 3 bolt action rifles, 1 AK-47 (dest), 7 9mm pistols, 8 AK-50's, 9 LMG's, 2 HMG's, 1 K-44, 2 M1.

(3) Munitions: 11 CHICOM grenades (dest), 15,470 rds SA, 66 60mm mortar rds (dest), 49 B-40 rds (dest), 24 82mm mortar rds (dest), 32 HIG-7 rds (dest), 109 M1 mines (dest), 7 BBT's (dest), 8 grenades (dest), 3 250 lb bombs (dest), 100 lbs CHICOM C-4 (dest).

(4) Miscellaneous: 101.1 tons rice, 40 50 lb bags of cement and 1 PaC-

10. Group 4