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(Message Center) INFO: CO, 1-501 Inf co, 2-501 Inf 11 CO, 1-502 Inf 11 CO, 1-321 Arty CO, C/326 Engr CO, B/326 Med . CO, 188th AHC CO, 2-17 Cav 2d FASCP, 501st Sig 2d Fwd Spt Plat, 801st Maint 2d Plat, 101st MP Co 11 2d Plat, 265th RRC Tm 2, lOlst MI Det 34th FI 11 11 11 1st Bde, 101st Abn Div, Camp EAGLE, RVN 11 3d Bde, 82d Abn Div, Camp EAGLE, RVN 1st Air Cav Div, Camp EVANS, RVN

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SUBJECT: Commander's Situation Report 232001H June 68 - 242000H June 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 10 contacts. Today's statistics: 1 KHA, 1 WHA (medevac). Enemy assessment 1 NVA KIA (BC), 5.4 tons rice.

b. 1-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. Occupied night ambushes vic YD847242,

YD840242, and YD843236. Conducted 1 plat RIF opn to vic

YD853250 and returned. 1 plat conducted RIF opn to vic

YD857247 and returned. At 0650 hrs vic YD845243 found and destroyed a 250 lb bomb BBT. At 0834 hrs vic YD853240 found and

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destroyed 2 105mm round BBTs. At 0835 hrs vic YD852340 engaged 2 enemy with
AW, neg enemy assessment. At 0848 hrs vic YD855245 engaged 1 VC, neg enemy
assessment. At 1028 hrs vic YD854253 observed 4 secondary explosions from
arty fire. From 1442 hrs to vic 1514 hrs 3 air strikes were expended in BBT
area vic YD854243. At 1715 hrs vic YD853249 engaged approx 10 enemy with
arty, neg enemy assessment. At 1820 hrs vic YD842248 engaged 2 enemy with
SA, neg enemy assessment. At 1945 hrs vic YD834247 received SA fire from
estimated enemy squad located vic YD834237. Neg casualties. Arty was fired
with neg enemy assessment.

- (2) Co B. Provided security for COL CO Beach and ambushed vic YD873302 and YD802331.
- (3) Co C. Occupied night position vic YD862235. With 1 PF plat conducted plat size RIF operation to vic YD844227, YD850225. Co (-) conducted sweep of areas vic YD863238, YD867236 and YD865233. At 1335 hrs vic YD849228 sustained 1 US KHA, 1 US WHA from unk type explosive BBT.
- (4) Co D. Provided security for FSB MONGOOSE and occupied strong points at POL pumping station vic YD775250 and bridges along highway 551 and POL pipeline from vic YD787273 to YD795285. Ambushed vic YD799285.
- (5) Recon Plat. Occupied night psn vic YD795249. Conducted RIF opn to vic YD808250. At 0934 hrs vic YD799248 found and destroyed 800 lbs loose rice. At 1035 hrs vic YD803248 engaged 2 VC with SA fire, neg enemy assessment. At 1153 hrs vic YD806248 found and destroyed a "Bouncing Betty" mine. At 1945 hrs vic YD808253 received heavy volume of SA and M79 fire from SE from unk size force. Neg cas. Arty was fired with neg enemy assessment.
- (6) Co C 2-501 Inf. Co (-) occupied night positions vic YD809186 and YD838176. Ambushed vic YD816184, YD828178, YD802193 and YD792198. The 3d plat maintained liaison with the 741st RF Co with 1 sqd at bridge vic YD750210, 1 sqd at bridge vic YD781209 and plat (-) at 1CU Ramp vic YD772223.

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- (2) Co B. (Working with 1 PF squad) Occupied night psn vic YD719306. Conducted RIF opn to vic YD709313 and YD715323. At 1219 hrs vic YD709313 found approx 5 tons of rice. At 1855 hrs vic YD715321 stay behind ambush engaged 3 enemy vic YD715318, resulting in 1 NVA KIA. At 1955 hrs moved to vic YD717299 and linked up with 3d plat Co A for security of bluck bulldozer.
- (3) Co C. Provided security for AN LO Bridge and occupied strong points vic YD600310, YD605311, and YD611312. 2d plat with 1 PF plat conducted RIF opn to vic YD618302. Secured minesweep and conducted mounted patrol of the sector of QL 1 from AN LO Bridge NW to AO boundary. Co (-) conducted training on 81mm mortar. At 1221 hrs received 2 bulldozers at AN LO Bridge. At 1930 hrs vic AN LO Bridge received 3 60mm mortar rds from vic YD606295. Neg Cas.
- (4) Co D. (Working with 1 PF sqd) Occupied night psn vic YD762342 and ambushed vic YD765328, YD753337, and YD756326. Conducted RIF opn to vic YD768328 and YD764323. At 0815 hrs vic YD765327 engaged 1 VC with arty, neg enemy assessment.
 - (5) Recon Plat. OPCON Co C.
 - (6) 1/C/2-34 Armor. OPCON Co C.
- (7) Remarks: 4-3 Inf (ARVN) occupied night psns vic YD675307 and YD680310. Conducted RIF opn to vic YD683334. During the day vic YD679311 sustained 1 ARVN WIA (medevac) from 105mm rd BBT.
- (8) Locations of Bn elements at close of reporting period: Bn CP FSB OMAHA; Co A YD695300; Co B YD717299; Co C AN LO Bridge; Co D YD767309; Recon Plat OPCON Co C; 1/C/2-34, OPCON Co C.
 - e. 2-17 Cav.
- (1) Trp A. Occupied night psn vic YD632248 and ambushed vic YD649238 and YD653239. 2d plat conducted RIF opn to vic YD628242 and YD610248. 3d Plat conducted RIF opn to vic YD652240. 1st plat conducted RIF opn to vic YD635269 and YD628277. Throughout the morning the 1st plat

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(7) Locations of Bn elements at close of reporting period: Bn CP FSB MONGOOSE; Co A YD836244; B YD845320; C YD852219; D FSB MONGOOSE; Recon YD818252; C/2-501 YD808186.

c. 2-501 Inf.

- (1) Co A. Closed OP T-BONE at 1025 hrs and returned to OPCON 2-501 Inf. Conducted RIF opn to a company base vic YD642188. 1st plat continued to vic YD635194, YD628194, YD635189, and returned to Co CP.
- (2) Co B. Occupied night psn vic YD627209 and ambushed vic YD613209 YD614207 and YD634214. Co (-) conducted RIF opn to vic YD623204, YD611205, YD615207 and returned. 1st plat conducted RIF opn to vic YD614209, YD605217 and to a night psn vic YD614207.
 - (3) Co C. OPCON 1-501 Inf.
- (4) Co D. Co (-) provided security for OP T-BONE and established plat ambushes vic YD648217 and YD643189. 1st plat conducted RIF opn to vic YD656213, YD652219, YD647210 and returned to OP T-BONE.
- (5) Recon Plat. Occupied night psn vic YD629223 and ambushed vic YD609232. Reinforced sqd conducted patrol to vic YD634238, YD623233, and returned to CP vic YD629223. Plat then conducted RIF opn to vic YD628203.
- (6) Location of Bn elements at close of reporting period: Bn CP OP T-BONE; Co A YD642187; B YD614207; C OPCON 1-501; D OP T-BONE; Recon YD628202.

d. 1-502 Inf.

(1) Co A. Occupied night psns vic YD695300 and YD694304 providing security for 2 bulldozers and a floating raft. 3d plat conducted RIF opn to vic YD689294. At 1320 hrs the 3d plat moved to vic YD725295 and provided security for a 3d bulldozer going to Co A's location. The bulldozer got stuck enroute vic YD717299 and 3d plat remained as security element along with Co B.

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feaund the following duds scattered throughout an area approx 500 meters
square - 20 155mm rds, 20 105mm, 25 IAWS, 18" rd, 25 M79 rds. EOD team
will destroy the munitions on 25 June. In addition the following munitions
were found and destroyed - 4 105mm rds, 1 106mm rd, 4 81mm mortar rds, 20
40mm rds, 2 60mm mortar rds, and 2 grenades.

- (2) Trp B. Provided security for FSB PINKY and secured minesweep S to HUE. At 1715 hrs vic YD686298 found and destroyed 105mm dud.
 - (3) Aero Rifle Plat. Ambushed vic YD649238.
- (4) Locations of Sqdn elements at close of reporting period: Sqdn CP FSB PINKY; Trp A YD633247; Trp B FSB PINKY; Aero Rifle Plat FSB PINKY.

 2. (C) Plans Summary:
 - a. 1-501 Inf.
- (1) Co A, Co C and Recon Plat. Conduct a joint opn with ARVN and local forces. At 0430 hrs THUA THIEN Pronvice establish a joint opns center with 1-501 Inf at FSB MONGOOSE. General scheme of maneuver is blocking psns being established to the N, E and S with the 39th Ranger Bn making an attack from the W to E. Personnel located in the area will be screened and detainess evacuated for questioning. The opn will last for approx two days with elements also making searches for weapons and rice caches.

Co A with Recon Flat will establish blocking psn from vic YD819247 to YD836233; Co C (-) from vic YD828225 to YD835230 with 1 plat from vic YD824215 to YD828218. 360th RF Co with a PRU Co will block vic YD787233 to YD791237. A PF plat and a PHU VANG intelligence plat block from vic YD794232 to YD791238 to YD801238. 917th RF Co from HUONG TUAY blocks vic YD845200.oriented W, 2 FF plats block vic YD835200 and YD835213 oriented W. At O600 hrs the 39th Ranger Bn conducts coordinated attacks on 2. axis, from W to E, Bn (+) to YD791229 and YD808227 and 1 Co to YD794213 and YD803215.

(2) Co B. Provide security for COL CO Beach and occupy night strong points vic YD802333 and YD824309. Ambush vic YD870301.

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- (3) Co D. Provide security for FSB MONGOOSE and occupy strong points at POL pumping station vic YD775250 and at bridges along highway 551 and POL pipeline from vic YD787273 to YD795285. Secure minesweep N and S from FSB MONGOOSE. Establish ambushes along POL pipeline.
- (4) Co C 2-501. Co (-) occupy strong points and prepare for night ambushes along POL pipeline paralleling CL 1. 3d plat maintain 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.

b. 2-501 Inf.

- (1) Conduct joint opn with 2 Co's from 1-54 Inf (ARVN). At 0630 hrs 2 ARVN Co's conduct combat assault from PZ vic YD694198 to LZ vic YD622201. ARVN Co's then conduct RIF opn to vic YD642194 and link up with 2 plats of Co A. Continue E towards a blocking psn vic YD671193 occupied by 1 plat from Co D.
- (2) Co A. Co (-) remain vic YD641188 2 plats participate in joint opn by securing OF's vic YD646190 and YD645198 until link up with ARVN Co.'s, then continue E.
- (3) Co B. From night psn vic YD614207 conduct RIF opn to vic YD600218 and YD609205.
 - (4) Co C. OPCON 1-501.
- (5) Co D. Co (-) secure OP T-BONE and ambush. 1 plat establish blocking psn vic YD671193, oriented W in support of joint opn.
- (6) Recon Flat. From night psn vic YD628202 secure LZ vic YD622201 for AHVN Co's combat assault. Upon completion conduct RIF opn to vic YD640230 and YD628224.

c. 1-502 Inf.

- (1) Co A. Provide security for bulldozers vic YD695300, YD694304, and YD717299. Approx 1200 hrs send a security element to vic YD725295 to escort 2 bulldozers to vic YD695300. On the way pull the stuck bulldozer from vic YD717299 and move it to YD695300.
- (2) Co B. From night psn vic YD717299 conduct RIF opn to vic YD715329 and search the village.
- (3) Co C. Provide security for AN LO Bridge. Secure minesweep and conduct mounted patrol along QL 1 from AN LO Bridge NW to AO boundary.

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- (4) Co D. At 1300 hrs conduct combat assault from PZ vic YD764307 to YD618307.
- (5) Recon Plat. OPCON to Co C. Move to and secure LZ for Co D, then revert to OPCON Co D on closure.
- (6) 1/C/2-34 Armor, OPCON Co C until Co D closes IZ, then move to Co D's location and revert to OPCON Co D.
- (7) 4-3 Inf (ARVN) Bn (-) prepare for future opns. 1 Co conduct raid at 0400 hrs of village vic YD643329.
 - d. 2-17 Cav.
- (1) Trp A. From night psn vic YD633247 conduct plat size RIF opns to vic YD610245 (unmounted) YD647238 (mounted) and YD630265 (mounted).
- (2) Trp B provide security for FSB PINKY and secure minesweep S to HUE. 1 plat conduct RIF opn to vic YD670245.
 - (3) Aero Rifle Plat. Conduct night ambush to the N of FSB FINKY.
 - e. 2d Bde Security Plat. Secure minesweep N and S from IZ SallY.
- 3. (C) Cumulative Results:
 - a, Friendly losses: 39 US KHA, 294 US WHA, (221 medevac).
 - b. Enemy assessment:
- (1) Personnel: 291 NVA KLA (BC), 291 VC KLA (BC), 31 NVA FOW, 111 VC FOW.
- (2) Weapons: Indiv weapons 266, crew served 54, 74 SKS's, 15 M16's, 12 carbines, 6 sub MG's, 28 M1 carbines, 10 M2 carbines, 69 AK-47's, 12 RFG-2 launchers, 8 RFG-7 launchers, 2 F-38 pistols, 2 82mm mortar tubes, 7 60mm mortar tubes, 3 CHECOM submachine pistols, 1 flare pistol (dest), 1 Russian rifle, 1 Springfield rifle, 7 BAR's, 3 bolt action rifles, 3 AK-47's (dest), 7 9mm pistols, 10 AK-50's, 10 IMG's, 2 HMG's, 11 K-44's, 5 M1's, 5 .45 cal pistols, 1 81mm mortar tubes, 3 lAW's (dest).
- (3) Munitions: ll_CHICOM grenades (dest), 16,870 rds SA, 107 60mm mortar rds (dest), 52 B-40 (dest), 24 82mm mortar rds (dest), 32 RFG-7 rds (dest), 109 AP mines (dest), 7 BBT's (dest), 20 grenades (dest), 3 250 lbs

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bombs (dest), 101 lbs CHICOM C-4 (dest), 5 105mm rds (dest).

(4) Miscellaneous: 172 tons rice, 1 ton salt, 40 50 lb bags cement and 1 FRC-10. Group 4

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