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CO, 1-502 Inf " "

CO, 1-321 Arty " "

CO, C/326 Engr " "

CO, B/326 Med " "

CO, 188th AHC " "

CO, 2-17 Cav " "

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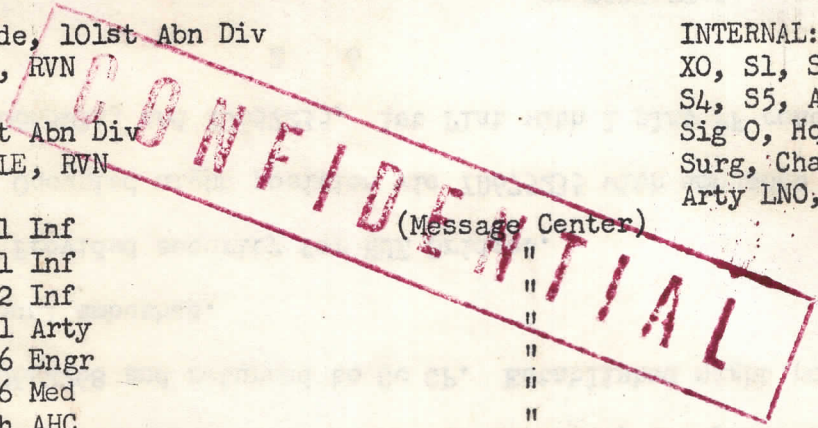
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SUBJECT: Commander's Situation Report
162001H May - 172000H May 68

1. (C) Operations Summary

a. General: TF 2d Bde, 101st Abn Div continued to conduct offensive operations in support of Operation CARENTAN II to locate and destroy VC/NVA forces, bases and logistics in the coastal plains area, and deny the rice harvest to the VC/NVA. Conduct was light with a total of 3 contacts. Today's statistics: 1 US WIA (medevac), Enemy assessment; 2 NVA KIA (BC), 4 VC KIA (BC), 1 VC POW, 1 AK-47, 1 AK-50, 1 ML6.

b. 1-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. Occupied night position vic YD781249 with ambush vic YD778243. Conducted RIF operation to vic YD828247. At 1030 hours vic YD823246 received SA/AW fire from an estimated enemy squad. Returned fire with organic weapons and arty supported. 17 2000

Contact broken at 1050 hours. Negative casualties. Negative enemy assessment. Co returned to YD781249. 1 6

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(2) Co B. Provided security for FSB MONGOOSE with ambushes vic YD795278. Secured minesweep teams N and S from FSB MONGOOSE. Continued to improve defensive positions at FSB MONGOOSE.

(3) Co C. Occupied night position vic YD845230 with ambush vic YD865302. Conducted a plat size patrol to vic YD836322 and returned. Continued to provide security at COLCO Beach installation.

(4) Co D. Occupied night position vic YD781249 with ambush vic YD776249. At 0618 ambush engaged 2 VC vic YD776247 with negative results. 3d plat conducted RIF operation to vic YD786234 and returned. At 1036 hours vic YD786236 engaged 2 VC. VC fled, results 1 M16 rifle captured. Co (-) conducted maintenance and mandatory classes. Results: Negative casualties. Enemy assessment - 1 M16.

(5) Recon Plat. Secured bridge vic YD838177. Conducted maintenance and mandatory classes during the day.

(6) Locations of Bn elements at close of reporting period. Bn CP FSB MONGOOSE, Co A YD789249, Co B YD789291, Co C YD845320, Co D YD789249, Recon Plat YD838176.

c. 2-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. Provided security for FSB PINKY. Ambushed vic YD682287 and YD700250. Secured minesweep S to HUE. 1 Plat conducted RIF operation to vic YD679288, YD676286, and returned to FSB PINKY. At the close of the reporting period 1 plat of Co A and 2 PF plats were enroute to ambush positions vic YD672283, YD676275, and YD684276.

(2) Co B. Occupied night position vic YD629260 with ambushes vic YD641259, YD633253, YD622255, and YD622258. 3d Plat conducted RIF operation to vic YD631238, YD607250, and returned to Co CP vic YD629260, 1st plat conducted RIF operation vic YD642268 and returned to Co CP. Established night position vic YD646252 with local ambushes.

(3) Co C. Provided security for HUE Bridges.

(4) Co D. Occupied night position vic YD675235 with ambushes vic YD678238, YD674246, YD663234, and YD657235, 1st Plat with 1 plat PF conducted

RIF operation to vic YD669231, YD652333, YD662238 and returned to Co CP vic YD 675235. Established night position vic YD668247 with local ambushes.

(6) Recon Plat. Secured LZ SATAN. Established observation posts vic YD682287 and YD700250.

(7) Location of Bn elements at close of reporting period. Bn CP FSB PINKY, Co A FSB PINKY, Co B YD646252, Co C YD750210, Co D YD668247, Recon Plat LZ SATAN.

d. 1-502 Inf.

(1) Co A. Occupied night position vic YD771314 with ambushes vic YD 767307, YD777317, and YD786315. Conducted RIF operation to vic YD802312 and coordinated for a MEDCAP on 20 May. Established a night position vic YD781315 with local ambushes.

(2) Co B. Occupied night position vic YD732311 with ambush vic YD732 298. Provided security for some plow operations vic YD726306. Moved to a night position vic YD725309.

(3) Co C. Occupied night position vic YD713343 with ambushes vic YD706 348, YD718351, and YD718342. At 2308 hours ambush vic YD706348 engaged 5 enemy. Results: 2 NVA KIA (BC), 1 AK-47, 1 AK-50. At 0332 night position captured 2 unarmed individuals (classified 1 VC, 1 CD). At 0601 hours night received approx 15 rounds of sniper fire. Friendly fire was returned. Results: 1 US WIA (med-evac). Negative enemy assessment. Conducted RIF operation to vic YD716330. Found 4 fresh graves containing 4 VC killed by arty. Co moved to vic YD723346. Established night position vic YD722336. Results: 1 US WIA (medevac). Enemy assessment; 2 NVA KIA (BC), 4 VC KIA (BC), 1 AK-47, 1 AK-50.

(4) Co D. Returned to OPCON effective 1000 hours. 1 plat provided security for a bulldozer vic YD635225. Returned to AN LO Bridge. Co (-) provided security for AN LO Bridge.

(5) Recon Plat. OPCON to Co B until 1037 hours. Moved by UH 1, at 0952 hours from PZ vic YD727305 to LZ vic YD620317. Closed 1037 hours, OPCON Co D. Moved to vic YD635325 and provided security for bulldozer. Returned to AN LO Bridge.

(6) Locations of Bn elements at close of reporting period. Bn CP FSB OMAHA, Co A YD781315, Co B YD725309, Co C YD722336, Co D AN LO Bridge, Recon Plat AN LO Bridge.

e. 2-17 Cav.

(1) At 1350 hours CP displaced from Camp EVANS to Camp EAGLE.

(2) Troop A. Occupied night position vic YD605315 with local ambushes. At 2120 hours the night position received small arms fire and 2 60mm mortar rds. Returned fire with organic weapons and arty supported. Negative casualties. Negative enemy assessment. At 1025 hours Troop began moving to Camp EAGLE. Closed Camp EAGLE at 1245 hours. Conducted maintenance and prepared for future operations.

(2) Troop B. Occupied night position vic YD631323 with local ambushes. At 2150 hours night position received 3 82mm mortar rounds from vic YD626320. Negative casualties. Arty fired with negative enemy assessment. At 0155 hours received 5 60mm mortar rounds from vic YD626334. Negative casualties. Arty fired with negative enemy assessment. Started moving to Camp EAGLE at 0920 hrs, closed 1525 hours.

(3) Aero Rifle Plat. OPCON to Troop A. Moved to Camp EAGLE by UH 1 log ship.

(4) 2/C/2-34. OPCON Troop B. Plat (-) conducted maintenance at Camp EAGLE.

(5) Co D 1-502 Inf. Provided security for AN LO Bridge. Returned to OPCON of 1-502 at 1000 hours.

(6) Location of Squadron elements at close of reporting period. Camp EAGLE.

f. HHC 2d Bde Security Platoon. Provided minesweep security N and S from LZ SALLY.

2. (C) Plans Summary.

a. 1-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. Approx 0700 hours attack E from vic YD789249 along the N side of the canal to vic YD813247.

. Secure FSB MONGOOSE. Approx 1300 hours conduct a combat assault to vic YD825232 and attack E to YD833230.

(3) Co C. Provide security at COLCO Beach.

(4) Co D. Approx 0700 hours attack E from vic YD787239 along the S side of the canal to vic YD813245.

(5) Recon Plat. Provide security for bridge vic YD838177.

b. 2-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. Provide security for FSB PINKY. Secure minesweep from FSB PINKY S. On order relieve Co C of HUE Bridge security mission.

(2) Co B. From night position vic YD646252 return to FSB PINKY and assume security mission.

(3) Co C. Provide security for HUE Bridges. On order conduct a combat assault and assume a blocking position in support of cordon operation of 1-501 Inf and 2-17 Cav.

(4) Co D. From night position vic YD668247 conduct RIF operation to vic YD670240, YD649245, YD660263, and YD663254.

(5) Recon Plat. Secure LZ SATAN and conduct local patrolling.

c. 1-502 Inf.

(1) Co A. From night position vic YD781315 with 1 plat PF conduct plat size RIF operations to vic YD752289, YD737291, YD765323 and a second plat size element to vic YD803313, and YD768328.

(2) Co B. Secure some plow operations vic YD726306.

(3) Co C. From night position vic YD722336 conduct RIF operation to vic YD6936. On order conduct a combat assault in support of cordon operation of 1-501 Inf and 2-17 Cav.

(4) Co D. Provide security for AN LO Bridge and bulldozer working vic YD635325.

(5) Recon Plat. OPCON Co D.

d. 2-17 Cav.

(1) Approx 0800 hours move from Camp EAGLE to vic YD778250, then E to vic YD803252. Troop B will attack N approx 1 kilometer north of road to vic YD827253, then SE to vic YD840248, then attack west to the canal vic YD835230.

Troop A and Troop B will establish a blocking position on the N and E of the canal vic YD833243 to YD835230.

(2) Aero Rifle Platoon. OPCON Troop A. Approx 1200 hours move by UH 1 to Troop A location.

(3) 2/C/2-34 Armor. OPCON Troop B.

(4) 1 Marine ONTOS Plat. OPCON Troop B.

e. 2d Bde HHC Security Platoon. Secure minesweep N and S from LZ SALLY.

3. (C) Cumulative Results: Operation CARENTAN II.

a. Friendly losses: 110 US KIA, 536 US WIA, (393 medevac).

b. Enemy assessment.

(1) Personnel: 1027 NVA KIA (BC), 86 VC KIA (BC), 132 NVA POW, 5 VC POW, 3 returnees. (An additional 115 NVA KIA (BC) resulting from joint opn with 1st ARVN Div Black Panther Co, and 51 NVA (BC) by army aviation).

(2) Weapons; 2 K-44's, 85 SKS carbines, 1 SMG, 1 P-38 pistol, 123 AK-47's, 5 7.62 HMG, 2 CHICOM pistols, 10 AK-47's (dest), 10 M-16's, 6 M1 carbines, 17 LMG, 13 RPG-2 launchers, 4 RPG-7 launchers, 4 SKS (dest), 8 RPG-2 launchers, (dest), 1 .45 pistol and 9 122mm rockets, 2 M2 carbines, 2 mausers, 2 82mm mortar sights, 1 RPG-2 launcher sight, 3 60mm mortars, 2 82mm mortars, 1 9mm pistol, and 1 bolt action rifle, 1 LMG (dest), 1 AK-50.

(3) Munitions: 49 60mm mortar rds (dest), 41 82mm mortar rounds (dest), 56 B-40 rds (dest), 49 CHICOM grenades (dest), 4 AP mines (dest), 10365 rds SA, 3 AT mines (dest), 34 BPT (dest), 6 90mm rds (dest), 4 RPG-7 rds (dest), 16 sticks TNT (dest). Group 4