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SUBJECT: Commander's Situation Report
222001H May 68 - 232000H May 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 areas, and to seek out and destroy enemy forces and installations in the 2d Bde AO. Contact was light with a total of 5 contacts. Today's statistics: 5 US WIA (3 medevac); enemy assessment: 2 NVA KIA (BC), 3 VC KIA (BC), 1 SKS, 1 ML6, 3 82mm mortar rds (dest), 8 60mm mortar rds (dest), 1 flare pistol (dest), 1 90mm BBT (dest), 1000 rds SA, 2000 lbs cement, 625 lbs rice.

b. 1-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. Occupied a night position vic YD835243 with an ambush vic YD831244 and YD839242. One sqd of 3d plat with 1 PF plat provided security at bridge vic YD838176. At 2130 hrs 1st plat began moving to a blocking position vic YD815263.

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At 0030 hrs Co (-) began moving to join 1st plat and established a blocking position from vic YD820270 to YD818262. At 1215 hrs Co (-) conducted RIF opn from blocking position to vic YD841231. At 1220 hrs vic YD823276 found 1 M16. Established a night position vic YD841231.

(2) Co B. Co (-) provided security for COL CO Beach installations vic YD845320 and ambushed vic YD686300. 3d plat provided security for FSB MONGOOSE. Plat (-) provided security for minesweep N and S from FSB MONGOOSE. Elements of Co B continued to improve defensive positions at COL CO Beach and FSB MONGOOSE.

(3) Co C. Occupied a night position vic YD795253. At 0110 hrs moved to a blocking position from vic YD815260 to YD805265. At 0620 hrs had 18 detainees who were trying to leave village area. At 1225 hrs Co departed cordon position and conducted RIF opn to vic YD802237. Established a night position vic YD802237.

(4) Co D. Occupied a night position vic YD781249. At 0030 hrs began moving to a blocking position from YD806272 to YD805265. At 0950 hrs conducted RIF opn SW thru village to vic YD808268 and YD791252. Established a night position vic YD792252.

(5) Recon Plat. At 0110 hrs began moving from FSB MONGOOSE to a blocking position vic YD806272 to YD809275. At 0610 hrs linked up with RF Co and elements began moving SE thru village. Search of the village by the Recon plat produced the following: 40-50 lb bags of cement, 5-100 lb bags of rice. and 1 flare pistol (dest). Recon plat returned to FSB MONGOOSE, closed 1530 hrs. (Note: RF Co found 10 100 lb bags of cement and 1000 lbs of rice).

(6) Locations of Bn elements at close of reporting period: Bn CP FSB MONGOOSE; Co A YD841231; Co B YD845320; Co C YD802237; Co D YD792252; Recon Plat YD803277.

c. 2-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. Provided security for HUE Bridges and improved defensive positions.

(2) Co B. Occupied night positions vic YD673252 with ambushes vic

YD671263, YD681246, YD674241 and YD666246. Conducted RIF opn to vic YD678235. Co (-) remained at YD678235, 3d plat continued RIF opn to vic YD690230, YD693220, YD685220 and returned. Established a night position vic YD680241.

(3) Co C. Provided security for FSB PINKY and ambushed vic YD691233 and YD692224. Secured minesweep S to HUE. 3d plat conducted RIF opn with 1 PF plat to vic YD690254, YD703278, YD698285 and returned to FSB PINKY.

(4) Co D. Occupied night position vic YD599253 with ambushes vic YD605265 and YD601260. At 2024 hrs ambush vic YD605265 engaged 6 enemy with SA. Results: 2 NVA KIA (BC). Conducted RIF opn to vic YD602247, YD953250 and YD597260. At 1258 hrs Co (-) conducted a combat assault from PZ vic YD597260 to LZ vic YD600273. Closed LZ at 1318 hrs. 3d plat remained vic YD597260. At 1320 hrs vic YD595258 the 3d plat found 8 60mm mortar rds, 125 lbs rice, 1000 rds SA and miscellaneous clothing. Co (-) conducted RIF opn from PZ to vic YD604263, YD601267. 3d plat conducted RIF opn N and joined Co (-). Established night position vic YD596271 with local ambushes.

(5) Recon Plat. Secured LZ SATAN and established OP vic YD629221. Sqd (-) conducted a patrol to vic YD652202.

(6) Locations of Bn elements at close of reporting period: Bn CP FSB PINKY; Co A YD750210; Co B YD680241; Co C FSB PINKY; Co D YD596271; Recon Plat LZ SATAN.

d. 1-502 Inf.

(1) Co A. Occupied night position vic YD677308 with ambushes vic YD770317, YD765310, and YD761307. Conducted RIF opn NW to vic YD772327, YD766324 and YD758315. Established night position vic YD781315.

(2) Co B. Occupied night position vic YD718308 with ambush vic YD713313. Provided security for bulldozer opn vic YD724306 (ROME FLOW is presently down for maintenance). Established night position vic YD717311.

(3) Co C. Provided security for AN LO Bridge. Ambushed vic YD600310, YD604311, YD604310 and YD613313. Secured minesweep N to vic YD601310. Improved defensive positions vic AN LO Bridge.

(4) Co D. Occupied night position vic YD663300 with ambushes vic YD667302, YD663295 and YD650298. Conducted RIF opn to vic YD660307, YD666300, YD666295, YD663297 and YD654295. At 0855 hrs vic YD660307 a detonated BBT grenade resulted in 2 US WIA (medevac). At 1000 hrs vic YD657307 engaged 1 VC with SA. Results: 1 VC KIA, 1 SKS. At 1200 hrs vic YD666297 a detonated BBT grenade resulted in 1 US WIA (medevac). At 1225 hrs vic YD667297 engaged 2 VC with SA fire. Results: 2 VC KIA (BC). At 1456 hrs vic YD658293 received 4 rds of sniper fire. Returned fire with SA, neg cas, neg enemy assessment. At 1650 hrs vic YD657295 found and destroyed 1 BBT 90mm rd. Established night position vic YD649303 with local ambush.

(5) Recon Plat. OPCON Co C.

(6) Locations of Bn elements at close of reporting period: Bn CP FSB OMAHA; Co A YD781315; Co B YD717313; Co C AN LO Bridge; Co D YD649303; Recon plat OPCON Co C.

e. 2-17 Cav.

(1) Trp A. Trp A (-), 1 plat of tanks, PF plat and Ontos plat (-) conducted RIF opn from night position to YD8524, to vic YD6524 and YD8823 and returned. At 0913 hrs vic YD866261 found and destroyed 3 82mm mortar rds. At 1651 hrs vic YD865240 received SA sniper fire from vic YD865234 resulting in 2 US WIA. Engaged with SA/AW fire and arty supported. Neg enemy assessment.

(2) Trp B. Conducted maintenance at Camp EAGLE.

(3) Aero Rifle Plat. OPCON Trp A.

(4) 2/C/2-34 Armor. OPCON Trp A.

(5) Ontos Plat, 1st Tank Bn, 1st MAR DIV. OPCON Trp A.

(6) Tank plat, 1st Antitank, 1st MAR DIV. OPCON Trp A.

(7) Locations of Squadron elements at close of reporting period:
Sqdn (-) YD867255; Trp B Camp EAGLE.

f. 2d Bde HHC Security Plat. Secured minesweep N and S from LZ SALLY.

2. (C) Plans Summary:

a. 1-501 Inf.

A. From night position vic YD841231 conduct RIF SE along the east side of the canal to vic YD840210. At 1300 hrs 1 PF plat will be air-lifted to Co A location and conduct opn with Co A.

(2) Co B. Co (-) continue to secure COL CO Beach installations. 1 plat secure FSB MONGOOSE and secure minesweep N and S from FSB MONGOOSE on QL 551.

(3) Co C. From night position vic YD802237 conduct RIF opn to vic YD810228, then NW to vic YD781249.

(4) Co D. From night position vic YD792292 conduct a combat assault approx 0730 hrs to LZ vic YD807205 and conduct RIF opn to vic YD790228.

(5) Recon Plat. Ambush vic FSB MONGOOSE and standdown during morning vic COL CO Beach.

b. 2-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. Provide security for HUE bridges and improve defensive positions.

(2) Co B. From night position vic YD680241 conduct RIF opn vic YD6525.

(3) Co C. Provide security for FSB PINKY. Secure minesweep S to HUE. 1 reinforced plat move by air to vic YD653203 and establish a plat base (augmented by 1 81mm mortar and 1 PPS-4A radar).

(4) Co D. From night position vic YD596271 conduct RIF opn vic YD599264.

(5) Recon Plat. Plat (-) secure LZ SATAN. 1 sqd (-) secure hilltop vic YD653203 for Co C.

c. 1-502 Inf.

(1) Co A. From night position vic YD781315 move to vic YD783315. Move by river patrol boats to vic YD747335. Approx 1000 hrs be joined by a plat of PF's and conduct RIF opn along coast to vic YD710356.

(2) Co B. Provide security for ROME FLOW opns vic YD722312. On order conduct plat size RIF of villages vic YD713329 and YD731327.

(3) Co C. Provide security for AN LO Bridge and improve defensive positions. Secure minesweep NW to AO boundary.

(4) Co D. From night position vic YD649303 link up with 1 PF plat (lifted in by 1-502 Inf log ship) and conduct RIF opn along the N side of SONG BO river to vic YD647290 and YD641314.

(5) Recon Plat. OPCON Co C.

d. 2-17 Cav.

(1) Trp A. From night position vic YD867276 conduct RIF opn S to vic YD861229 and establish a blocking force for Trp B. Once Trp B has reached vic YD850230 Trp A with OPCON units will pass through Trp B. Trp A and Aero Rifle Plat will return to Camp EAGLE and conduct maintenance. Elements OPCON to Trp A will revert to OPCON of Trp B upon passage.

(2) Trp B. Will depart Camp EAGLE approx 0730 hrs and conduct RIF opn to vic YD850230. Assumes OPCON of other squadron elements upon passage of Trp A and returns to vic YD867276.

(3) Aero Rifle Plat. OPCON Trp A.

(4) 2/C/2-34 Armor. OPCON Trp A o/o to Trp B.

(5) Ontos plat, 1st Tank Bn, 1st MAR DIV. OPCON Trp A o/o Trp B.

(6) Tank plat, 1st Tank Bn, 1st MAR DIV. OPCON Trp A o/o Trp B.

(7) 1 PF plat. OPCON Trp A o/o Trp B.

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

3. (C) Cumulative Results:

a. Friendly losses: 74 US WIA (51 medevac).

b. Enemy assessment:

(1) Personnel: 91 NVA KIA (BC), 7 VC KIA (BC), 2 NVA POW, 4 VC POW.

(2) Weapons: 6 SKS's, 6 ML6's, 3 carbines, 1 sub MG, 21 ML carines, 5 AK-47's, 1 RPG-2 launcher, 1 P-38 pistol, 1 82mm mortar tube, 1 CHICOM sub-machine pistol, 1 flare pistol (dest).

(3) Munitions: 7 CHICOM grenades (dest), 4250 rds SA, 30 60mm mortar rds (dest), 7 B40 rds (dest), 13 82mm mortar rds (dest), 2 RPG-7 rds (dest), 2 RPG-2 rds (dest).

(4) Miscellaneous: 625 lbs rice and 40 50lb bags of cement.

4. (C) Remarks: RF Co operating with 1-501 Inf captured 10 100lb bas of cement and 1000 lbs of rice.

Group 4