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SUBJECT: Commander's Situation Report 262001H May 68 - 272000H May 68

## (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 4 contacts. Todays statistics: 2 US KIA, 4 US WIA (3 medevac). Enemy assessment. 7 VC KIA (BC), 1 M2 carbine, 3500 lbs rice, (1500 lbs unpolished rice destroyed), 3 250 lb bombs, 3 60mm mortar rounds, 2 B-40 rounds, 4 CHICOM grenades.

### b. 1-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. Occupied night position vic YD838207 with ambushes vic YD838210 and YD842208. 1 squad with 1 PF plat secured bridge vic YD838176. At 2215 hours moved to a PZ vic YD 2000 27 840207. Conducted a combat assault to LZ vic YD874245. OFCON 1968 May to 2-17 Cav effective 2311 hours.

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871303. 1 plat provided security for FSB MONGOOSE and secured

minesweep N and S from FSB MONGOOSE.

- (3) Co C. Occupied night position vic YD824225. Conducted plat size RIF operations to vic YD816240, YD833237, and YD830237. Co elements returned to vic YD805227. Conducted RIF operation to vic YD8420. At 1130 hours vic YD832237 found and destroyed 1500 lbs of unpolished rice. At 1800 hours sighted approx 150 VC with weapons vic YD805227. Arty was fired and a LFT supported. At 1850 hours vic YD805227 LFT engaged and killed 3 VC (BC). At 2000 hours Co C was located in a blocking position vic YD804224.
- (4) Co D. Occupied night position vic YD803209 with ambushes vic YD802 213 and YD806208. Conducted RIF operation NW to vic YD797227, and then to a blocking position vic YD803231.
- (5) Recon Plat. Departed FSB MONGOOSE with 1 PF plat. Conducted RIF operation to vic YD781270 and YD781274. At 2000 hours was preparing to make a combat assault to support the cordon operation by occupying a blocking position vic YD816227 to YD807224.
- (6) Locations of Bn elements at close of reporting period. Bn CP FSB MONGOOSE, Co A OFCON 2-17, Co B YD845320, Co C YD807224 YD799277, Co D YD799 277 YD807233, Recon Plat YD781274.

### c. 2-501 Inf.

- (1) Co A. Provided security for HUE Bridges. At 1604 when relieved of bridge security mission by Co B moved by vehicle to vic to vic YD670269. Established a night position vic YD638260 with local ambushes.
- (2) Co B. (Operated with 1 PF Plat until 1600 hours). Occupied night position vic YD646256 with ambushes vic YD647242, YD657242, YD662269, and YD668 257. Conducted RIF operation to day position vic YD627261. 2d Plat continued RIF operation to YD614248, YD609255, and returned to Co CP. Co moved to vic YD 668270 and moved by truck to HUE bridges and assumed security mission of HUE bridges from Co A.
- (3) Co C. Co (-) provided security for FSB PINKY and established LP's vic YD683259 and YD691258. Reinforced 2d Flat secured OP T-Bone and improved defensive positions.

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D. Occupied night position vic YD600270 with ambushes vic YD596

Countermortar fire was fired by arty vic YD600260. Co moved to a day position vic YD601268. 2d Plat conducted RIF operation to vic YD599265, YD590267, and returned to Co CP. At 1220 hours sustained 1 US WIA (medevac) from BBT grenade. Established a night position vic YD593268.

- (5) Recon Plat. OPEON to Co C for security of FSB PINKY until 0600 hrs. Conducted RIF operation to vic YD698252 and joined 1 PF plat. Continued RIF operation to vic YD688237. Established a night position vic YD669232 with local ambush.
- (6) Locations of Bn elements at close of reporting period. Bn CP FSB PINKY, Co A YD638260, Co B YD750210, Co C FSB PINKY, Co D YD593268, Recon Plat YD669232.

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- (1) Co A. Provided security for AN LO Bridge. Secured minesweep N to vic YD599310. 1 plat Co A with 2 PF squads conducted RIF operation to vic YD640 320 and returned. At 0910 hours vic YD642317 received 5 60mm mortar rounds and fire from 2 AW's from vic YD642317. SA fire was returned and arty supported. Contact broken at 0915 hours with negative casualties and negative enemy assessment. At 1120 hours vic YD633325 received AW fire. Arty was fired. At 1240 hours vic YD637319 sustained 1 US KIA from a BBT grenade.
- (2) Co B (Working with 1 PF plat). Occupied night position vic YD723
  309. Provided security for bulldozers vic YD723313. 1 plat and 1 plat PF conducted RIF operation to vic YD694304 and returned. Established night position vic YD707297 received 1 60mm mortar from vic YD700302. Arty was fired. Negative casualties. Negative enemy assessment.
- (3) Co C (Working with 1 PF plat). Occupied night position vic YD652302 with ambushes vic YD647297 and YD663312. Conducted RIF operation to vic YD643 298 and YD670295. Established night position vic YD677301 with local ambushes. At 1151 hours vic YD650289 sustained 1 US WIA (medevac) from BBT 105 round.
- (4) Co D. Occupied night position vic YD723337 with ambushes vic YD728
  335, YD725333 and YD720328. 2 PF plats joined Co D approx 1000 hrs. Conducted
  RIF operation to vic YD746305 and YD757320. Established night position vic YD741
  308 with local ambushes.
  - (5) Recon Plat. OPCON Co A. Ambushed vic YD600311, YD605309, and YD

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610312. While moving to ambush positions received sporadic SA fire and 1 60mm mortar round. At 2036 hours vic YD606304 engaged 1 VC. Results 1 VC KIA (BC) and 1 M2 carbine.

- (6) Locations of Bn elements at close of reporting period. Bn CP FSB OMAHA, Co A AN LO Bridge, Co B YD722311, Co C YD677301, Co D YD741308, Recon Plat AN LO Bridge.
- e. 2-17 Cav.
- (1) Troop A. Conducted maintenance at Camp EAGIE and prepared for future operations.
- (2) Troop B, Co A 1-501 Inf. Occupied blocking positions to the NW and SW in a cordon operation vic YD880232. 3 companies of the 2-7 and 3-3 ARVN
  Regt's occupied a blocking position to the SE. At 2315 hours. Co A 1-501 Inf made a combat assault to vic YD873245 and occupied a blocking position to the NE. The cordoned area was illuminated throughout the night and arty was fired into the area. At 0730 hours Trp B moved through the cordoned area from NW to SE with negative contact. In addition to the 2 US KIA and 8 US WIA (6 medevac) reported, sustained by Troop B on 26 May, the OFCON units to Troop B sustained 4 marines WIA (3 medevac), 1 ARVN WIA (medevac), and 1 PF WIA (medevac). Enemy assessment was 3 VC KIA (BC). Troop B then conducted a sweep NE to vic YD905229, then NW to FSB FORMAND. At 0820 hours vic YD822223 found and destroyed 3 60mm mortar rounds, 2 RPG rounds, 3 250 lb bombs, and 4 CHICOM grenades. At 1520 hrs vic YD893239 sustained 1 US KIA, 1 US WIA (medevac) from a BET anti personnel mine. At 1619 hours vic YD890244 sustained 1 US WIA from BET 105 round.
- (3) Co A 1-501 Inf. From cordon blocking position conducted RIF operation to vic YD880250 and occupied a blocking position for Troop B. Returned to FSB FORWARD.
  - (4) Aero Rifle Plat. Moved by log ship from FSB FORWARD to Camp EAGLE.
  - (5) ONTOS Plat, Co A, 1st AT, 1st Tank Bn, 1st, Mar Liv. OFCON Trp B.
  - (6) Amtrack Plat, Co A, 3d Amtrack, 1st Mar Div. OPCON Trp B.
  - (7) Tank Plat, Co A, 1st Tank Bn, 1st Mar Div. OPCON Trp B.
  - (8) 2/C/2-34 Armor. OPCON Trp B.
- (9) Locations of squadron elements at close of reporting period. Sqdn
  (-) FSB FORWARD. Troop A and Aero Rifle Plat Camp EAGLE.

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

- (C) Plans Summary.
  - a. 1-501 Inf.
- (1) Co C, Co D, Recon Plat, and Co D 1-502 Inf maintain a cordon around the village vic YD805277, Co C occupy a blocking position vic YD800227, to YD807 224, Recon Plat from vic YD807224 to YD815227, Co D 1-502 Inf from YD815227 to YD807232, and Co D from vic YD807232 to YD800227. Approx 0700 hours, 1 plat of Co C and the Recon Plat conduct RIF to vic YD810221, YD804213, YD798220, and YD 798226. Co C (-) and Co D will attack the cordoned village from the W moving E with Co D 1-502 Inf remaining as a blocking force.
  - (2) Co A. OPCON 2-17 Cav.
- (3) Co B. Continue to provide security for COLCO Beach installations with Co (-). 1 Plat provide security for FSB MONGOOSE and secure minesweep N and S from FSB MONGOCSE.

## b. 2-501 Inf.

- (1) Co A and Co D conduct a joint operation with RF/PF in a cordon and search of the village vic YD611276. Approx 0845 hours Co A conducts a combat assault from PZ vic YD638260 to LZ vic YD598270. Occupy a blocking position to the east from vic YD612280 to YD606273. Co D move from night position vic YD593 268 to a blocking position from vic YD606273 to YD604266. 2 PF plats will move to surveillance positions on the east side of the SOLG BO River from vic YD608 266 to vic YD614280. At the completion of Co A's combat as ault a RF Co will conduct a combat assault from PZ vic YD527344 to an LZ vic YD605284. The RF Co (augmented by 15 NPFF) will conduct a search of the cordoned village from N to S.
- (2) Co B. Provide security for HUE bridges and improve defensive positions.
- (3) Co C. Co (-) provide security for FSB PINKY and conduct minesweep from FSB PINKY S to HUE. Reinforced 2d Plat secure OP T-Bone and improve defensive positions.
- (4) Recon Plat (Working with 1 PF plat). From night position vic YD669 232 conduct RIF operation vic YD670240.

### c. 1-502 Inf.

(1) Co A. Provide security for AN LO Bridge and secure minesweep from AN LO Bridge NW to AO Boundary. Conduct a mounted patrol during the day and

ambush at night a sector of QL 1 vic YD597308 to YD620308.

- (2) Co B. From night position vic YD722311 secure bulldozers as they move to vic YD720295 and begin operations.
- (3) Co C. From night position vic YD677301 conduct RIF operation to vic YD685297, YD690294, and YD688277.
  - (4) Co D. OFCON 1-501 Inf.
  - (5) Recon Plat. OFCON Co A.
  - d. 2-17 Cav.
- (1) Troop A. Conduct maintenance at Camp EAGLE and prepare for future operations.
- (2) Troop B. At 0730 hours conduct RIF operation SE to vic YD898235.

  On order establish a blocking position vic YD898235 to SE, in conjunction with

  Co A 1-501 Inf moving NW towards the blocking position.
- (3) Co A 1-501 Inf (OPCON 2-17). Approx 1000 hours conduct a combat assault from FSB FORWARD to LZ vic YD928200. Establish a blocking position vic YD929207. On order conduct RIF operation NW to vic YD922212 and YD903332.
- (4) Aero Rifle Plat. Move by log ship from Camp EAGLE to FSB FORWARD. Following Trp B will move to vic YD893242 and assist in evacuating the 2000 lbs of rice captured on 27 May.
  - (5) 2 ONTOS Plats, Co A, 1st AT, 1st Tank Bn, 1st Mar Div. OFCON Trp B.
  - (6) Tank Plat, Co A, 1st Tank Bn, 1st Mar Div. OPCON Trp B.
  - (7) Amtrack Plat, Co A, 3d Amtrack, 1st Mar Div. OPCON Trp B.
  - (8) 2/C/2-34 Armor. OFCON Trp B.
  - (9) PF Plat and NDPFF element. Working in conjunction with Troop B.
- e. 2d Bde HHC Security Plat. Secure minesweep teams from LZ SALLY clearing QL 1 to the AN LO Bridge and FSB PINKY.
- 3. (C) Cumulative Results:
  - a. Friendly losses: 3 US KIA (1 reported WIA, DOW), 107 US WIA (76 medevac).
  - b. Enemy assessment:
    - (1) Personnel: 109 NVA KIA (BC), 26 VC KIA (BC), 5 NVA POW, 5 VC POW.
- (2) Weapons: 9 SKS's, 8 M16's, 6 carbines, 1 sub MG, 21 M1 carbines, 9 AK-47's, 2 RFG-2 launchers, 2 RFG-7 launchers, 1 P-38 pistol, 1 82mm mortar tube, 1 60mm mortar tube, 1 CHICOM submachine pistol, 1 flare pistol (dest).

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(3) Munitions: 11 CHICOM grenades (dest), 4250 rounds SA, 33 60mm mortar rds (dest), 41 B-40 rds (dest), 16 82mm mortar rds (dest), 24 RPG-7 rds (dest) 109 AP mines (dest), 7 BBT (dest), 2 grenades (dest), 3 250 lb bombs (dest).

(4) Miscellaneous: 11825 lbs rice and 40 50 lb bags of cement Group 4