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CO, 2d Bde, 101st Abn Div (Airmobile)  
LZ SALLY, RVN

CG, 101st Abn Div (Airmobile)  
Camp EAGLE, RVN

INTERNAL: CO, DCO,  
S1, S2, S3, S4, S5,  
Avn O, Sig O, Hq  
Comdt, Surg, Chap  
Arty LNO, TACP

INFO: CO, 1-501 Inf  
CO, 2-501 Inf ✓  
CO, 1-502 Inf  
CO, 1-321 Arty  
CO, C/326 Engr  
CO, B/326 Med  
CO, C/801 Maint  
CO, 188th AHC

(Message Center)

2d FASCP, 501st Sig  
2d Plat, 101st MP Co  
2d Plat, 265th RRC  
47th Scout Dog Plat  
Tm 2, 101st MI Det  
34th PI  
1st Bde, 101st Abn Div (Airmobile), Camp EAGLE, RVN  
3d Bde, 101st Abn Div (Airmobile), Camp EAGLE, RVN  
1st Cav Div (Airmobile), Camp EVANS, RVN

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SUBJECT: Commander's Situation Report  
032001H Oct 68 - 042000H Oct 68

1. (C) Operations Summary:

a. General: 2d Bde, 101st Abn Div (Airmobile), 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 during the reporting period. Today's statistics: 1 US WHA (medevac); Enemy assessment - 1 VC KIA (BC), 2 60mm mortars, 13 SKS, 2 M1 carbines, 2 M2 carbines, 1 M16, 1 Russian LMG, 1 BAR, 1950 rds SA ammo, 3 RPG-2 rds, 10 rifle grenades, 8 CHICOM claymores.

b. 1-501 Inf. Continued combined US/GVN opn with all elements in blocking roles maintaining blocking psns and conducting local searches. The 2-54th ARVN Regt continued to ambush and search within the cordoned area accounting for 19 VC KIA (BC) and

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15 IWC. A PHU VANG RD team was led by a Chie Hoi to a small wpns

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cache vic YD805205 containing 7 IWC. The RD team also accounted for 2 VC KIA (BC) in the area. CAC Team 3-3 received a Chieu Hoi who led them to an M2 carbine vic YD809244. 2-17 Cav White team supporting the opn accounted for 1 VC KBAA vic YD805210 and found 2 VC bodies vic YD803244 that had been killed by arty.

(1) Co A. Co (-) with OPCON 3/B/2-501 Inf maintained blocking psn from YD814246 to YD827222. At 0645 hrs vic YD831229 received 2 Chieu Hoi's, one with an M1 carbine. 1 of the Chieu Hoi's led an element to YD871237 where they found his M2 carbine. 1st plat continued to provide security at FB SANDY.

(2) Co B. Co (-) with OPCON Recon Plat provided security for COL CO Beach. 3d plat ambushed vic YD872303. Ambush established blocking psn vic YD867300 for elements of 1-54th ARVN conducting sweep NW to the block. At 1108 hrs the 3d plat moved by utility helicopter from vic of blocking psn to COL CO Beach, closed 1108 hrs. 1st plat marshalled at LZ SALLY.

(3) Co C. With OPCON 1/B/1-502 maintained blocking psn vic YD797246 to YD819245. At 2330 hrs vic YD813250 an indiv activated a trip flare and was engaged with claymore mine with unk results. At 0120 hrs vic YD794245 engaged movement with unk results. First light check was made with no enemy sightings.

(4) Co D. Co (-) conducting opns with 1 PF plat and 1 RF plat occupied night psn vic ZD075118 and ambushed vic ZD083128, ZD085110 and ZD089116. Conducted saturation patrolling vic ZD0711, ZD0712 and ZD0811. 2d plat conducting opns with 922 RF Co (-) occupied night psn vic YD978200 and ambushed vic YD975203. Conducted RIF to YD990190, to YD978187, then to YD983180.

(5) Recon Plat. OPCON Co B.

(6) Remarks:

(a) 352 RF Co, 54th ARVN Regt Recon Co and 3-7 Cav (ARVN) maintained blocking psn from vic YD833217 to YD830200.

(b) A (-)/2-17 Cav, B/2-501 and 80 PF's maintained blocking psn from YD786203 to YD828197.

(c) 360, 742 and 128 RF Co's maintained blocking psn from vic YD790245 to YD785208.

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(7) Locations of Bn elements at close of reporting period: Bn CP FSB SANDY; Co A YD832238; Co B YD845320; Co C YD798246; Co D ZD082117; Recon Plat OPCON Co B.

c. 2-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. Occupied night psn vic YD590146 and ambushed vic YD589153 and YD593143. Conducted RIF to vic YD603141.

(2) Co B. Co (-) OPCON 2-17 Cav. 3d plat OPCON A/1-501 Inf.

(3) Co C. Occupied night psn at OP APACHE with 2d plat ambushing vic YD657252, YD653254, and 3d plat ambushing vic YD671240, YD670240. 1st plat conducted RIF to YD643228, then returned to OP APACHE. 2d plat conducted RIF to vic YD667251 and conducted cloverleaf patrolling. 3d plat conducted RIF to vic YD676241 and conducted cloverleaf patrolling.

(4) Co D. Provided security at FSB T-BONE with 2d plat ambushing vic YD614206, YD616212, and 3d plat ambushing vic YD632193, YD630194. 1st plat conducted RIF to vic YD643198, then returned to FSB T-BONE. 2d plat conducted RIF to vic YD610200 and conducted cloverleaf patrolling. 3d plat conducted RIF to vic YD623190 and conducted cloverleaf patrolling.

(5) Recon Plat. Ambushed vic YD633159. Conducted RIF to vic YD623151. At 1018 hrs vic YD635154, received SA/AW fire from unk size force resulting in 1 US WHA (medevac). Returned fire with SA/AW and M79 fire with the enemy fleeing SE. Recon pursued and at 1119 hrs vic YD634154 engaged 2 enemy with SA/AW and M79 fire. Enemy returned fire and fled SW. A LFT supported with no further sightings. Recon continued to maneuver and at 1535 hrs vic YD635153 engaged 4 enemy. Enemy returned fire and Recon maneuvered, with the enemy fleeing SE. At 1648 hrs while following blood areas in the same area engaged 3 VC fleeing resulting in 1 VC KIA (BC). Recon continued to pursue with no further sightings.

(6) Remarks: 1st ARVN Div Recon Co occupied night vic YD638128. Conducted RIF to vic YD633133.

(7) Location of Bn elements at close of reporting period: Bn CP FSB T-BONE; Co A YD607136; Co B OPCON 2-17 Cav; Co C YD628223; Co D FSB T-BONE; Recon Plat YD635152.

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d. 1-502 Inf.

(1) Co A. Occupied night psn vic YD668286 and ambushed vic YD676294, YD671294, and YD667299. 3d plat established blocking psn oriented W vic YD667298. Co (-) established blocking psn oriented NW vic YD670290. 2 PF plats from QUANG DIEN conducted eagle flights at 0738 hrs to LZ's vic YD649295, YD655291 and YD663295. PF's closed LZ's at 0820 hrs and established blocking psns vic of LZ's oriented N. 2 PF plats from AN LO Bridge conducted RIF SE to vic of blocking psn established by Co (-). 4 PF plats from QUANG DIEN conducted RIF from vic YD660310 S to blocking psn established by 3 PF plats and 3/A Co.

(2) Co B. Co (-) occupied blocking psn vic YD639376 and ambushed vic YD623336 and YD609342. Conducted plat RIF opns vic of night psns. At 1040 hrs 3/B received 2 Hoi Chanh's who led 3/B to wpns cache vic YD628343. A mine detector was used to aid in location of the wpns buried in the sand. Results were 17 IWC and 3 CSWC consisting of 2 60mm mortars, 13 SKS, 1 M16, 1 M1 carbine, 1 M2 carbine, 1 BAR, 1 Russian IMG and 1950 rds SA ammo, 3 RPG-2 rds, 10 rifle grenades, 8 CHICOM claymores. 1st plat OPCON 1-501 Inf.

(3) Co C. Provided security at AN LO Bridge and ambushed vic YD608288. 3d plat Co D occupied fortified OP's along QL 1. At 2203 hrs OP vic YD605310 received 2 60mm mortar rds. Returned SA fire and 81mm mortar fire with unk results. 1 sqd conducted patrol to vic YD608288.

(4) Co D. Co (-) occupied night psn at PHU VANG and occupied strong points along QL 551, provided security of POL pumping station and LCU Ramp and provided liaison at HUE Bridges. 3d plat OPCON Co C.

(5) Recon Plat. Marshalled at LZ SALLY and provided LZ SALLY RRF.

(6) 3/C/2-34 Armor. OPCON Co C.

(7) Location of Bn elements at close of reporting period: Bn CP FSB OMAHA; Co A YD668298; Co B YD639376; Co C AN LO Bridge; Co D YD782269; Recon LZ SALLY.

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

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2. (C) Plans Summary:

a. 1-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. With 1 plat B/2-501 Inf OPCON continue to occupy psns in cordon.

(2) Co B. Co (-) with Recon Plat OPCON provide security at COL CO Beach. 1 plat marshall at LZ SALLY.

(3) Co C. With 1 plat B/1-502 Inf OPCON continue to occupy psns in cordon.

(4) Co D. From night psn vic ZD082117 Co (-) continue to RIF from ZD0712 to ZD0710 and ZD0810. 1 plat conduct RIF opns with 922 RF Co vic ZD9817.

(5) Recon Plat. OPCON Co B.

b. 2-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. From night psn vic YD607136 continue to RIF to YD624144.

(2) Co B. Co (-) OPCON 2-17 Cav. 1 plat OPCON A/1-501 Inf.

(3) Co C. 1 plat security OP APACHE conduct patrol to YD6324, YD6224 and return. 1 plat from ambush psn conduct RIF, search vic YD6724, YD6523. 1 plat from ambush location conduct RIF and search vic YD6527, YD6625, YD6724.

(4) Co D. 1 plat provide security for FSB T-BONE and conduct local patrol to YD657217 to YD650210 and return. 1 plat RIF in rocket belt from YD610200 to YD611206, YD610200 and from YD610200 to YD608198, YD603202, YD608199. 1 plat from ambush psn conduct RIF from YD629189 to YD639187.

(5) Recon Plat. From night psn vic YD635152 continue to exploit recent contacts and RIF to YD624144.

(6) Recon Co, 1st ARVN Div. Continue to RIF to YD624144.

c. 1-502 Inf.

(1) Co A. From night location vic YD668298 and 5 ambushes continue reinforced squad size patrols in area YD6631, YD6628, YD7031, YD7028.

(2) Co B. Co (-) from night psn vic YD639376 conduct RIF and search in vic YD6437. 1 plat from 2 ambush psns conduct RIF to YD6133 and YD6234. 1 plat OPCON C/1-501 Inf.

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(3) Co C. With 1 plat Co D OPCON continue to provide security at the AN LO Bridge and QL 1 strong points in cooperation with the RF Co. 1 patrol to YD6028 and return.

(4) Co D. Co (-) continue to occupy strong points along QL 551, POL pipeline and pumping station. Provide security at LCU Ramp and liaison at HUE Bridges.

(5) Recon Plat. From providing RRF at LZ SALLY conduct patrol on SONG BO from YD6528 to YD7629 NW to YD7733.

3. (C) Cumulative Results:

a. Friendly losses: 66 US KHA, 520 US WHA (497 medevac).

b. Enemy assessment:

(1) Personnel: 449 NVA KIA (BC), 820 VC KIA (BC), 37 NVA POW, 497 VC POW's, 50 returnees.

(2) Weapons: Indiv weapons 690, crew served 92, 218 SKS's, 44 ML6's, 16 carbines, 29 sub MG's, 67 M1 carbines, 26 M2 carbines, 61 AK-47's, 17 RPG-2 launchers, 9 RPG-7 launchers, 4 P-38 pistols, 1 flare pistol (dest), 7 Russian rifles, 1 Springfield rifle, 13 BAR's, 5 AK-47's (dest), 16 9mm pistols, 16 AK-50's, 18 IMG's, 7 HMG's, 38 K-44's, 13 M1's, 16 .45 cal pistols, 1 82mm mortar tube, 3 LAW's (dest), 2 M79's, 3 82mm mortars, 2.30 cal MG's, 6 60mm mortars, 2 shotguns, 1 K-54, 2 12.7 AA weapons (dest), 2 CHICOM pistols, 1 K-50, 2 60mm mortar sights, 1 K-47.

(3) Munitions: 75375 rds SA, 104 57mm rds, 300 60mm mortar rds, 28 81mm mortar rds, 5 82mm mortar rds, 468 RPG-2 rds, 57 RPG-7 rds, 29 grenades, 9 CHICOM claymores, 13 M79 rds, 208 lbs TNT.

(4) Miscellaneous: 399.3 tons rice, 1 ton salt, 9000 lbs cement, 1 PRC-10, 1 CHICOM 2 watt radio, 1 CHICOM field phone and 1 CHICOM radio (NFI).