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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 INO, TACP

INFO:	CO, 1-501 Inf	(Message Center)
	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, C/101st AHB	"
	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
192001H Oct 68 - 202000H 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 area of operations. Contact was light during the reporting period. Today's statistics: Neg friendly casualties; Enemy assessment - 1 M1 carbine, 1 M1 rifle, 1 VC POW.

b. 1-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. Co (-) occupied night position at YD923260. At 2215 hrs conducted roving patrols from vic YD923260 to YD930257, YD920261 to YD909270 and returned, closed night position at 0010 hrs. Conducted local patrol vic YD923260. At 1130 hrs vic YD913267, a detainee showed elements of Co A where 1 M1 carbine was hidden. At 1157 hrs vic YD915268 the detainee points out 1 M1 rifle and 1 lb C-4 BBT (dest). Co (-) patrols closed YD923260 at

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1708 hrs. 1st plat occupied night position at ZD086116 and ambushed at ZD086108. Conducted local patrol and continued to work with 39 PF's in VINH LOC AO, vic ZD0911. Patrols closed ZD094118 at 1525 hrs.

(2) Co B. Co (-) occupied night position at YD887287 and ambushed at YD876296, YD873303, YD798247 and YD797248 and YD800252. Conducted local patrols vic YD873297, YD885286, patrols closed YD873297 at 1455 hrs. 3d plat with 32 PF's ambushed at YD798247, YD797248 and YD800252. Conducted local patrols vic YD799250, YD802247, YD806247, YD812247, patrols closed YD799251 at 1455 hrs.

(3) Co C. Provided security for COL CO Beach and provided squad sized elements for blocking position vic YD8630.

(4) Co D. Co (-) occupied night position at COL CO Beach. 1st plat provided security for FSB SANDY and ambushed at YD883256. At 0743 hrs Co (-) conducted combat assault from COL CO to LZ's vic YD845228, YD859241, closed LZ's at 0805 hrs and 0820 hrs respectively. At 0822 hrs 4 PF's were heli-lifted into Co D's location vic YD859211 to aid in interrogation and screening of detainees. At 0852 hrs, Co D established a blocking position from YD860240 to YD847226. At 1450 hrs conducted RIF to vic YD860240.

(5) Recon Plat. Occupied night position at YD866256 and ambushed at YD869258. With 17 PF's and 2 dogs, conducted RIF to YD869257 and established blocking position. At 0850 hrs vic YD867259 found and destroyed 1 BET M26 hand grenade.

(7) Remarks.

(a) At 0828 hrs vic YD843227, 1-501 command and control helicopter apprehended 1 VC and 1 M26 hand grenade, evac to PHU VANG District.

(b) At 0905 hrs vic YD884227, 3-54 ARVN captured 3 VC.

(c) At 1000 hrs a detainee led elements of 3-54 ARVN to 1 SKS, 200 rds AK ammo, 10 blocks TNT.

(d) PHU VANG District personnel accepted the surrender of 14 Chieu Hoi's at YD832319.

(8) Location of Bn elements at close of reporting period: Bn CP FSB SANDY; Co A YD920263; Co B YD892285; Co C YD845320; Co D YD863238; Recon Plat YD867257; 1-54 ARVN YD956219; 3-54 ARVN YD860236.

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c. 2-501 Inf.

(1) Bn (-) OPCON 1st Bde, 101st Abn Div.

(2) Co B OPCON 1-502

d. 1-502 Inf.

(1) Co A. Co (-) occupied night position at PHU VANG. Co (-) occupied strong points along QL 551, POL pipeline, POL pumping station, security at LCU Ramp and liaison at HUE Bridges. 3d Plat OPCON B/2-501 Inf.

(2) Co B. Provided security for AN LO Bridge with 3d plat occupying fortified OP's along QL 1. Provided bridge security and conducted minesweep.

(3) Co C. Occupied night position at YD661304 and ambushed at YD667296 YD676295, YD669309 and YD655308. Co (-) conducted squad sized saturation patrols vic YD661304. At 1005 hrs 2d plat moved by UH-1 helicopter from vic YD655308 to LZ SALLY. On the backhaul, 3d plat was eagle flighted from LZ SALLY into LZ's vic YD641337, YD673355, and YD654363, closed LZ's at 1152 hrs. At 1810 hrs vic YD644372, 3d plat sighted and engaged 3 VC with SA and fired arty with unknown results.

(5) Recon Plat. Occupied night position at YD664257 and ambushed at YD664254, YD667253 and YD650250. Conducted squad sized saturation patrol vic YD664257.

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

(7) Co B, 2-501 Inf OPCON. Co (-) and 3/A/1-502 provided security for FSB T-BONE. Conducted local patrols vic FSB T-BONE. 2d plat occupied OP APACHE. At 1315 hrs conducted platoon sized RIF to vic YD626218. 3d plat occupied night position at YD629213. From night position conducted RIF to OP APACHE, at 1315 hrs relieved 2d plat.

(8) 1-3 ARVN.

(a) 1st Co occupied night position at YD623337 and conducted platoon sized RIF operation vic night position.

(b) 2d Co occupied night position at YD612329 and conduct platoon sized RIF operations vic night position.

(c) 3d Co occupied night position at YD648287 and conducted platoon sized RIF operation vic night position. At 1850 hrs vic YD654285 found 2 VC bodies. BC attributed to action of night roving patrol from D/1-502 on 12 Oct.

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(9) Location of Bn elements at close of reporting period: Bn CP FSB OMAHA; Co A YD782269; Co B AN LO; Co C YD723309; Co D YD661304; Recon YD663267; B/2-501 FSB T-BONE; 1-3 ARVN - 1st Co YD633337, 2d Co YD612339, 3d Co YD648287.

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

2. (C) Plans Summary:

a. 1-501 Inf.

(1) Co A. Co (-) from night location YD920263 continue to conduct RIF and thorough search vic YD9126 to YD9225. 1 plat continue operation with RF and PF vic YD0911.

(2) Co B. Co (-) from night location YD892285 continue to conduct RIF and detailed search vic YD8630 to YD8928. 1 platoon continue operations with RF and PF vic YD8024 to YD8224.

(3) Co C. Continue to provide security for COL CO Beach.

(4) Co D. Co (-) from night location YD863238 conduct RIF from YD8422 to YD8624. 1 plat provide security at FSB SANDY.

(5) Recon Plat. From night location YD867256 conduct RIF from YD8525 to YD8626.

(6) Remarks. 1-501 will continue combined operation vic YD8730, YD9821, YD9619 and YD8730.

(7) 1st ARVN Regt. Will continue operations vic YD9424, YD9521, and YD9620. HUE River patrol continue to patrol waterway from YD8521 to YD9618. 12th Coastal group patrol waterways from YD8927 to YD8033. National Police Field Force and Special Branch Police continue to operate with Co A & B. 54th ARVN will continue blocking positions.

b. 2-501 Inf.

(1) Bn (-) OPCON 1st Bde, 101st Abn Div.

(2) Co B OPCON 1-502.

c. 1-502 Inf.

(1) Co A. Co (-) continue to occupy strong points along QL 551, POL pipeline and pumping station, provide security at LCU Ramp and liaison at HUE Bridges. 3d plat OPCON B/2-501 Inf.

(2) Co B. In cooperation with the RF Co provide security for AN LO Bridge.

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(3) Co C. From night location YD723309 conduct RIF vic YD7230, YD7130 and YD7131. 1 platoon conduct operations with pneumatic boats from YD7433 to YD7230.

(4) Co D. 1 platoon conduct RIF vic YD6630, and YD6730. 1 platoon marshall at LZ SALLY. 1 platoon conduct RIF and search vic YD660360.

(5) Recon Plat. From night location YD663267 conduct RIF with an RF and PF platoon vic YD6625, YD6626 and YD6526.

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

(7) B/2-501 Inf. OPCON 1-502 with 3d plat A/1-502 OPCON. Provide security for FSB T-BONE. 1 plat provide security for OP APACHE. 1 platoon conduct RIF in rocket belt from YD6221 to YD6320.

(8) Remarks. At 1400 hrs in cooperation with the PACV, conduct RIF from YD700300 to YD810300. 8 men each from Co C will be on 2 Patrol Air Cushion Vehicles screening the area.

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

3. (C) Cumulative Results:

a. Friendly losses: 68 US KHA, 527 US WHA (504 medevac).

b. Enemy assessment:

(1) Personnel: 452 NVA KIA (BC), 864 VC KIA (BC), 37 NVA POW, 490 VC POW's, 67 returnees.

(2) Weapons: Individual weapons 715, crew served 91.

(3) Munitions: 78835 SA rds, 194 57mm rds, 326 60mm mortar rds, 28 81mm mortar rds, 5 82mm mortar rds, 1 122mm rocket, 3 122mm rocket warheads, 488 RPG-2 rds, 57 RPG-7 rds, 29 grenades, 9 CHICOM claymores, 13 M79 rds, 213 lbs TNT.

(4) Miscellaneous: 422.5 tons rice, 1 ton salt, 9000 lbs cement, 1 PRC-10, 1 CHICOM 2 watt radio, 1 CHICOM field phone, 1 CHICOM radio (NFI), 1 sampan (dest).

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