

Foreign Liaison Unit, 1st Cavalry Division

1. The purpose of this report is to provide a summary of the activities of the Foreign Liaison Unit during the period from 17 to 21 September 1965. The report is intended for the use of the 1st Cavalry Division and the 1st Air Cavalry Brigade.

Brigade 53 Extracts
from
Staff Journal Entries
for
17-21 Sep 65

2. The Foreign Liaison Unit was established on 17 September 1965. The unit is composed of personnel from the 1st Cavalry Division and the 1st Air Cavalry Brigade.

3. The unit's primary mission is to provide liaison between the 1st Cavalry Division and the 1st Air Cavalry Brigade. The unit is also responsible for providing information to the 1st Cavalry Division and the 1st Air Cavalry Brigade.

4. The unit's activities during the period from 17 to 21 September 1965 are summarized in the following table:

Date	Activity
17 Sep 65	Established the unit.
18 Sep 65	Conducted liaison activities.
19 Sep 65	Conducted liaison activities.
20 Sep 65	Conducted liaison activities.
21 Sep 65	Conducted liaison activities.

FROM: 1 BDE, 101ST ABN DIV, AN KHE, RVN

TO: CG, USATFA, NHA TRANG, RVN

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INFO: ZEN CO, TF HANSEN, BINH KHE, RVN	(COURIER) INTERNAL: CO, DCO,
ZEN CO, 1ST BN (ABN), 327TH INF, AN KHE, RVN	(COURIER) S1, S2, S3, S4, S5,
ZEN CO, 2D BN (ABN), 327TH INF, AN KHE, RVN	(COURIER) AVN, HQ COMDT, FSE,
ZEN CO, 2D BN (ABN), 502D INF, AN KHE, RVN	(COURIER) SIG OFF, JA, IO,
ZEN CO, 2D BN (ABN), 320TH ARTY, AN KHE, RVN	(COURIER) PMO, AG, HISTORICAL
ZEN CO, SPT BN (ABN), AN KHE, RVN	(COURIER) FILE, S3 FILE, S3
ZEN CO, CO A, 326TH ENGR BN (ABN), AN KHE, RVN	(COURIER) AIR, TOC
CO, 1ST BN, 18TH INF, CAM RANH BAY, RVN	(RTT)
SA, 22D DIV (ARVN), AN KHE, RVN	(RTT)
ZEN CG, 1ST CAV DIV (AIR), AN KHE, RVN	(COURIER)
CG, 173RD ABN BDE, BIEN HOA, RVN	(RTT)
CG, 1ST LOG COMD, SAIGON, RVN	(RTT)
ZEN CO, 52D AVN BN, AN KHE, RVN	(COURIER)
CG, 101ST ABN DIV, FT CAMPBELL, KY	(MAIL)

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SITREF NO 51 PERIOD 171800H - 181800H SEP 65

- (U) INTEL SUMMARY: SEE CURRENT INTSUM.
- (C) OPERATIONS SUMMARY: 1ST BDE (-) CONTINUES OPERATION HIGHLAND PROVIDING DEFENSE FOR AN KHE PERIMETER AND ROUTE SECURITY ALONG HWY 19. 1ST BDE INITIATED OPERATION GIBRALTAR. PLANNED AS A TWO BN SEARCH AND DESTROY MISSION, GIBRALTAR RAPIDLY EXPANDED TO INCLUDE: TF HANSEN; 2/502 INF; 2/327 INF; 2 RANGER CO (ARVN); 1 CIDG CO; 1 TANK PLAT, 2/7 MARINES; 2/320 ARTY; BTRY D, 1/77 ARTY; 52D AVN BN; HELICOPTER ELEMENTS, 1ST CAV DIV (AIR); AND TAC AIR. 2/502 INF AIRLANDED TWO COMPANIES ON LZ, VIC BR 7453. HEAVY RESISTANCE WAS IMMEDIATELY ENCOUNTERED AND LZ WAS NOT SECURE UNTIL LATE IN THE DAY. TF HANSEN WAS DIVERTED TO ATTACK ALONG THE AXIS BR 650520, BR 670520, AND BR 690525 TO SEIZE HILL, BR 700530, AND, ON ORDER, CONTINUE ATTACK TO HILL BR 729523. ADDITIONAL UNITS WERE AIRLANDED ON ALTERNATE LZS VIC BR 750530, AND BR 753535 IN SUPPORT OF 2/502 INF. DISPOSITION OF FORCES AT CLOSE OF REPORTING PERIOD: TF SMITH: CO B AND C, 2/502 INF; CENTER OF MASS, BR 746536; TF COLLINS: CO A, 2/502 INF; CO C, 2/327 INF; 1ST CO AND 2ND CO (ARVN RANGERS); CENTER OF MASS, BR 750510; TF HANSEN: CO A AND B, 2/327 INF, TRP A, 2/17 CAV; CIDG CO; TANK PLAT; CENTER OF MASS, BR 680520. ENEMY FIRE AGAINST TF SMITH INCLUDED 81MM AND 60MM MORT, AW, AND SA FIRE. PRELIMINARY REPORTS INDICATE 11 KIA(US), 22 WIA(US), 7 MIA(US), 3 HELICOPTERS DESTROYED, AND 20 HELICOPTERS DAMAGED. ENEMY LOSSES ARE UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME. CONTACT WITH ENEMY WAS BROKEN JUST PRIOR TO DARKNESS. UNITS WILL OCCUPY DEFENSIVE POSITIONS DURING THE NIGHT AND RESUME THEIR LINKUP AT FIRST LIGHT. 1ST CAV DIV (AIR) HAS ASSUMED RESPONSIBILITY FOR 2/327 INF SECTOR OF AN KHE PERIMETER. TF 1/18 CONTINUES DEFENSE OF 1ST BDE TACR (CAM RANH BAY).

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18 2200H

- (a) DTG OPERATION INITIATED: 230600H AUG 65.
- (b) DTG OPERATION TERMINATED: CONTINUES THRU REPORTING PERIOD.
- (c) RESULTS: (THIS REPORTING PERIOD) APPROX 150 SUPPLY TRUCKS TRAV-

ELLED HWY 19 W/O INCIDENT; 1ST CAV DIV (AIR) CONTINUES BUILDUP.

(2) OPERATION GIBRALTAR.

- (a) TYPE OF OPERATION: SEARCH AND DESTROY.
- (b) AREA OF OPERATION: BINH KHE; AREA BOUNDED BY BR 6551, BR 6560, BR 7660, AND BR 7652.

(c) UNITS PARTICIPATING: 2/502 INF; 2/327 INF; TF HANSEN; 2 RANGER CO (ARVN); 1 CIDG CO; TANK PLAT, 2/7 MARINES; 2/320 ARTY; BTRY B, 1/77 ARTY; 52 AVN BN; AND HELICOPTER ELEMENTS, 1ST CAV DIV.

- (d) CONTROL HQ: 1ST BDE.
- (e) DTG OPERATION INITIATED: 180500H SEP 65.
- (f) DTG OPERATION TERMINATED: CONTINUES THRU REPORTING PERIOD.

(g) RESULTS: (INCOMPLETE AT THIS TIME);

<u>FRD LOSSES</u>	<u>EN LOSSES</u>
11 KIA(US)	UNKNOWN
22 WIA(US) (INCL 2 CO CO'S)	
7 MIA	
3 HELICOPTERS DESTROYED,	
20 DAMAGED	

b. SMALL UNIT ACTIONS:

- (1) TOTAL NO OF NIGHT CONTACTS: 2.
- (2) TOTAL NO OF DAY CONTACTS: 0.
- (3) TOTAL NO OF CONTACTS: 2.
- (4) SMALL UNITS ACTIONS W/O CONTACT: 10.
- (5) SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH CONTACT:

<u>PROV/COORD</u>	<u>DTG</u>	<u>ACTION</u>	<u>FRD UNIT/LOSSES</u>	<u>EN UNIT/LOSSES</u>
BINH KHE (BR 698419)	172200H SEP	PROBE	TF HANSEN-NONE	UNKN - UNKN
AN TUC (BR 497468)	172220H SEP	PROBE	2/320 ARTY-NONE	UNKN - 1 WIA(EST)

c. CHANGES TO PREVIOUS SITREPS: RESULTS FOR OPERATION PUSHER (SITREP NO 50) ARE STILL INCOMPLETE..

3. (C) PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS PLAN CONTINUATION OF OPERATIONS HIGHLAND AND GIBRALTAR.

4. (C) OTHER ACTIVITIES:

a. AIR SORTIES

	<u>REQUESTED</u>	<u>FLOWN</u>
PREPLANNED:	26	3
IMMEDIATE:	48	42
RESULTS: NOT OBSERVED		

FROM: CO, 1ST BDE, 101ST ABN DIV, AN KHE, RVN

TO: CG, USATFA, NHA TRANG, RVN

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INFO: ZEN CO, TF HANSEN, BINH KHE, RVN
 ZEN CO, 1ST BN (ABN), 327TH INF, AN KHE, RVN
 ZEN CO, 2D BN (ABN), 327TH INF, AN KHE, RVN
 ZEN CO, 2D BN (ABN), 502D INF, AN KHE, RVN
 ZEN CO, 2D BN (ABN), 320TH ARTY, AN KHE, RVN
 ZEN CO, SPT BN (ABN), AN KHE, RVN
 ZEN CO, CO A, 326TH ENGR BN (ABN), AN KHE, RVN
 CO, 1ST BN, 18TH INF, CAM RANH BAY, RVN
 SA, 22D DIV (ARVN), AN KHE, RVN
 ZEN CG, 1ST CAV DIV (AIR), AN KHE, RVN
 CG, 173RD ABN BDE, BIEN HOA, RVN
 CG, 1ST LOG COMD, SAIGON, RVN
 ZEN CO, 52D AVN BN, AN KHE, RVN
 CG, 101ST ABN DIV, FT CAMPBELL, KY

(COURIER) INTERNAL: CO, DCO,
 (COURIER) S1, S2, S3, S4, S5,
 (COURIER) AVN, HQ COMDT, FSE,
 (COURIER) SIG OFF, JA, IO,
 (COURIER) PMO, AG, HISTORICAL
 (COURIER) FILE, S3 FILE, S3
 (COURIER) AIR, TOC
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 (COURIER)

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SITREP NO 52 PERIOD 181800H - 191800H SEP 65

1. (U) INTEL SUMMARY: SEE CURRENT INTSUM.
2. (C) OPERATIONS SUMMARY: 1ST BDE (-) CONTINUES OPERATION HIGHLAND PROVIDING DEFENSE FOR AN KHE PERIMETER AND ROUTE SECURITY ALONG HAY 19. 1ST BDE CONTINUES OPERATION GIBRALTAR. DURING THE NIGHT TF SMITH, TF COLLINS, AND TF HANSEN OCCUPIED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS. AT FIRST LIGHT, TF HANSEN CONTINUED ADVANCE TO HILL, BR 702530, AND TF COLLINS ADVANCED TO LINKUP WITH TF SMITH IN 2/502 LZ. UPON LINKUP, TF SMITH AND COLLINS PROCEEDED TO EXPAND AND SECURE THE LZ. AERIAL RESUPPLY AND MED EVAC MISSIONS WERE FLOWN INTO THE LZ. THE REMAINING ELEMENTS OF TF SMITH WERE THEN EXTRACTED BY HELICOPTER. TF COLLINS WILL REMAIN IN THE LZ, PROTECTING THE DAMAGED HELICOPTERS (FROM YESTERDAY'S ACTION), UNTIL TOMORROW MORNING. CAPTURED POWS INDICATE THAT ENEMY UNITS IN AREA OF OPERATIONS HAVE BEEN FRAGMENTED INTO SQUAD AND PLAT SIZE UNITS DUE TO THE DESTRUCTION OF COMMAND AND CONTROL CHANNELS BY US FIRE POWER. TF COLLINS WILL EXPLOIT THE BREAKDOWN IN ENEMY COMMUNICATIONS BY DEFEATING THE SMALL UNITS IN DETAIL. WHEN DAMAGED HELICOPTERS HAVE BEEN RECOVERED TF COLLINS WILL ATTACK TO SEIZE HILL, BR 762533, CONTINUE MOVEMENT TO WEST, PASS THRU TF HANSEN POSITIONS, AND BEGIN EXTRACTION. TF HANSEN WILL THEN WITHDRAW TO WEST AND COMMENCE EXTRACTION. TF SMITH RECEIVED MORTAR AND SA FIRE THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT SUSTAINING 2 WIA. DURING THE DAY ALL ELEMENTS RECEIVED SA AND AV FIRE WHICH DIMINISHED AS THE DAY PROGRESSED. AT THE TERMINATION OF THIS REPORTING PERIOD TF HANSEN AND TF COLLINS WERE RECEIVING SPORADIC SNIPER FIRE.

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(INCOMPLETE) ARE 47 KIA (BC), 70 - 100 KIA (EST), 12 VCC CIA, 4 VCS CIA, 4 M-1 RIFLES, 1 CARBINE, 2 BARS, 6 SMG (THOMPSON), 2 SMG (CHICOM), 1 MG (7.92MM) AND 1 RL (40MM). FRIENDLY LOSSES (STILL INCOMPLETE) ARE 13 KIA (INCL S3 AND 1 COMPANY COMMANDER, 2/502 INF) AND 27 WIA (INCL 2 COMPANY COMMANDERS, 2/502 INF). 2/12 CAV CAME UNDER OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF 1ST BDE EFFECTIVE 1250 HRS. TF 1/18 CONTINUES TO DEFEND 1ST BDE TAOR (CAM RANH BAY).

a. MAJOR UNIT ACTIONS:

(1) OPERATION HIGHLAND:

- (a) DTG OPERATION INITIATED: 230600H AUG 65.
- (b) DTG OPERATION TERMINATED: CONTINUES THRU REPORTING PERIOD.
- (c) RESULTS: (THIS REPORTING PERIOD) APPROX 150 SUPPLY TRUCKS TRAVELLED HWY 19 CONTRIBUTING TO BUILDUP OF 1ST CAV DIV (AIR).

(2) OPERATION GIBRALTAR:

- (a) CONTROL HQ: 1ST BDE.
- (b) DTG OPERATION INITIATED: 180500H SEP 65.
- (c) DTG OPERATION TERMINATED: CONTINUES THRU REPORTING PERIOD.
- (d) RESULTS: (2 DAY PERIOD):

<u>FRIENDLY LOSSES</u>	<u>ENEMY LOSSES</u>
13 KIA	47 KIA (BC)
27 WIA	70 - 100 KIA (EST)
	12 VCC CIA
	4 VCS CIA
	4 RIFLES, 1 CARBINE, 2 BARS, 8 SMG, 2 MG, 1 RL (40MM).

b. SMALL UNIT ACTIONS:

- (1) TOTAL NO OF NIGHT CONTACTS: 0.
- (2) TOTAL NO OF DAY CONTACTS: 2.
- (3) TOTAL NO OF CONTACTS: 2.
- (4) SMALL UNIT ACTIONS W/O CONTACT: 3.
- (5) SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH CONTACT:

<u>PROV/COORD</u>	<u>DTG</u>	<u>ACTION</u>	<u>FRD UNIT/LOSSES</u>	<u>EN UNIT/LOSSES</u>
BINH KHE (BR 952319)	191310H SEP	SNIPER	TFH/NONE	UNKN/UNKN
AN TUC (BR 491417)	191445H SEP	PROBE	2/12 CAV/NONE	UNKN/UNKN

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TO: CG, USATFA, NHA TRANG, RVN (RTT)

INFO: ZEN CO, TF HANSEN, BINH KHE, RVN (COURIER) INTERNAL: CO, DCO,
 ZEN CO, 1ST BN (ABN), 327TH INF, AN KHE, RVN (COURIER) S1, S2, S3, S4, S5,
 ZEN CO, 2D BN (ABN), 327TH INF, AN KHE, RVN (COURIER) AVN, HQ COMDT, FSE,
 ZEN CO, 2D BN (ABN), 502D INF, AN KHE, RVN (COURIER) SIG OFF, JA, IO,
 ZEN CO, 2D BN (ABN), 320TH ARTY, AN KHE, RVN (COURIER) FMO, AG, HISTORICAL
 ZEN CO, SPT BN (ABN), AN KHE, RVN (COURIER) FILE, S3 FILE, S3
 ZEN CO, CO A, 326TH ENGR BN (ABN), AN KHE, RVN (COURIER) AIR, TOC
 CO, 1ST BN, 18TH INF, CAM RANH BAY, RVN (RTT)
 SA, 22D DIV (ARVN), AN KHE, RVN (RTT)
 ZEN CG, 1ST CAV DIV (AIR), AN KHE, RVN (COURIER)
 ZEN CO, 2D BN, 5TH CAV, AN KHE, RVN (COURIER)
 CG, 173RD ABN BDE, BIEN HOA, RVN (RTT)
 CG, 1ST LOG COMD, SAIGON, RVN (RTT)
 ZEN CO, 52D AVN BN, AN KHE, RVN (COURIER)
 CG, 101ST ABN DIV, FT CAMPBELL, KY (MAIL)

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SITREP NO 53 PERIOD 191800H - 201800H SEP 65

- (U) INTEL SUMMARY: SEE CURRENT INTSUM.
- (C) OPERATIONS SUMMARY: 1ST BDE (-) CONTINUES OPERATION HIGHLAND PROVIDING DEFENSE FOR AN KHE PERIMETER AND ROUTE SECURITY ALONG HWY 19. 1ST BDE CONTINUES OPERATION GIBRALTAR. TF HANSEN AND TF COLLINS OCCUPIED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS DURING THE NIGHT. BOTH UNITS RECEIVED SNIPER FIRE THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT. TF COLLINS RECEIVED MORTAR FIRE SUSTAINING 7 WIA. TF COLLINS AMBUSHED AN EXFILTRATING VC SQUAD INFLECTING 4 KIA (BC). TF COLLINS SECURED THE THREE DAMAGED HELICOPTERS IN THE LZ UNTIL RECOVERY WAS COMPLETE AT 0900 HRS THEN ATTACKED TO THE WEST, COMPLETELY DESTROYED A BN SIZED TRAINING CAMP WITH DEMOLITIONS AND BY BURNING, SEIZED HILL, BR 728534, AND LINKED UP WITH TF HANSEN AT BR 719530. AT 1630 EXTRACTION OF CO A, 2/502 INF AND TWO RANGER COMPANIES (ARVN) THEN COMMENCED AND WILL CONTINUE THRU REPORTING PERIOD. TF HANSEN AND REMAINING ELEMENTS OF TF COLLINS, NOW COMBINED UNDER COMMAND OF TF COLLINS, WILL OCCUPY DEFENSIVE POSITIONS ON HILL, BR 726533 FOR THE NIGHT. AT 0545, ALL REMAINING ELEMENTS WILL BEGIN MOVEMENT TO LZ, BR 644515, AND BEGIN EXTRACTION BY HELICOPTER. DURING THE DAY, ELEMENTS OF A RANGER CO DISCOVERED A TRENCH IN WHICH THERE WERE APPROXIMATELY 100 DEAD VC. 2/5 CAV CAME UNDER OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF 1ST BDE AND ASSUMED MISSION TO DEFEND NORTHERN SECTOR OF AN KHE PERIMETER FROM 2/12 CAV. 2/12 CAV REVERTED TO CONTROL OF 1ST CAV DIV. TF 1/18 CONTINUES DEFENSE OF 1ST BDE TAOR (CAM RANH BAY).

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a. MAJOR UNIT ACTIONS:

(1) OPERATION HIGHLAND:

- (a) DTG OPERATION INITIATED: 230600H AUG 65.
- (b) DTG OPERATION TERMINATED: CONTINUES THRU REPORTING PERIOD.
- (c) RESULTS: (THIS REPORTING PERIOD) 236 SUPPLY TRUCKS TRAVELLED HWY

19 CONTRIBUTING TO BUILDUP OF 1ST CAV DIV (AIR).

(2) OPERATION GIBRALTAR:

- (a) DTG OPERATION INITIATED 180500H SEP 65.
- (b) DTG OPERATION TERMINATED: CONTINUES THRU REPORTING PERIOD.
- (c) RESULTS: (3 DAY PERIOD).

<u>FRD LOSSES</u>	<u>EN LOSSES</u>
13 KIA	55 KIA (BC)
40 WIA	100 KIA (PROB)
	5 M-1 RIFLES, 1 CARBINE, 2 BARS, 8 SMG, 1 MG, 1 RL,
	1 AA LMG MOUNT, 2 60MM MORT MOUNTS, 30 RDS 60MM
	AMMO

b. SMALL UNIT ACTIONS:

- (1) TOTAL NO OF NIGHT CONTACTS: 2.
- (2) TOTAL NO OF DAY CONTACTS: 2.
- (3) TOTAL NO OF CONTACTS: 4.
- (4) SMALL UNIT ACTIONS W/O CONTACT: 4.
- (5) SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH CONTACT:

<u>PROV/COORD</u>	<u>DTG</u>	<u>ACTION</u>	<u>FRD UNIT/LOSSES</u>	<u>EN UNIT/LOSSES</u>
AN TUC (BR 490406)	192355H SEP	SNIPER	2/12 CAV/NONE	UNKN/UNKN
AN TUC (BR 475455)	200350H SEP	SNIPER	1/327 INF/NONE	UNKN/UNKN
BINH KHE (BR 645490)	201200H SEP	SNIPER	UHLB/NONE	UNKN/UNKN
AN TUC (BR 581445)	201405H SEP	HARASSING FIRE	1/327 INF/NONE	UNKN/UNKN

c. CHANGES TO PREVIOUS SITREPS:

- (1) SITREP NO 51 PARA 4a CHANGE 46 TO READ 66.
- (2) SITREP NO 52 PARA 2 ADD: AIR SUPPORT PROVIDED BY 1ST CAV DIV: 72 AIR-LIFT SORTIES; 8 RESUPPLY SORTIES; AND 8 MED EVAC SORTIES.

3. (C) PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS PLAN CONTINUATION OF OPERATIONS HIGHLAND AND GIBRALTAR.

UNITS PLAN OPERATION ANZIO

ACTION: PRIORITY

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FROM: CO, 1ST BDE, 101ST ABN DIV, AN KHE, RVN

TO: CG, USATFA, NHA TRANG, RVN (RTT)

INFO: ZEN	CO, TF HANSEN, BINH KHE, RVN	(COURIER)	INTERNAL: CO, DCO,
ZEN	CO, 1ST BN (ABN), 327TH INF, AN KHE, RVN	(COURIER)	S1, S2, S3, S4, S5,
ZEN	CO, 2D BN (ABN), 327TH INF, AN KHE, RVN	(COURIER)	AVN, HQ COMDT, FSE,
	CO, 2D BN (ABN), 502D INF, CAM RANH BAY	(RTT)	SIG OFF, JA, IO,
ZEN	CO, 2D BN (ABN), 320TH ARTY, AN KHE, RVN	(COURIER)	PMO, AG, HISTORICAL
ZEN	CO, SPT BN (ABN), AN KHE, RVN	(COURIER)	FILE, S3 FILE, S3
ZEN	CO, CO A, 326TH ENGR BN (ABN), AN KHE, RVN	(COURIER)	AIR, TOC
	CO, 1ST BN, 18TH INF, CAM RANH BAY, RVN	(RTT)	
	SA, 22D DIV (ARVN), AN KHE, RVN	(RTT)	
	CG, 1ST LOG COMD, SAIGON, RVN	(RTT)	
ZEN	CG, 1ST CAV DIV (AIR), AN KHE, RVN	(COURIER)	
ZEN	CO, 2D BN, 5TH CAV, AN KHE, RVN	(COURIER)	
	CG, 173RD ABN BDE, BIEN HOA, RVN	(RTT)	
ZEN	CO, 52D AVN BN, AN KHE, RVN	(COURIER)	
	CG, 101ST ABN DIV, FT CAMPBELL, KY	(MAIL)	

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SITREP NO 54 PERIOD 201800H - 211800H SEP 65

1. (U) INTEL SUMMARY: SEE CURRENT INTSUM.
2. (C) OPERATIONS SUMMARY: 1ST BDE (-) CONTINUES OPERATION HIGHLAND PROVIDING DEFENSE FOR AN KHE PERIMETER AND ROUTE SECURITY ALONG HWY 19. 1ST BDE TERMINATED OPERATION GIBRALTAR. CO A, 2/502 INF, 1ST CO AND 2ND CO, 23 RANGER BN (ARVN) CONTINUED EXTRACTION BY TRUCK THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT, COMPLETING EXTRACTION IN THE MORNING. TF HANSEN AND TF COLLINS, UNDER THE COMMAND OF TF COLLINS, OCCUPIED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS DURING THE NIGHT. TF COLLINS WAS EXTRACTED BY HELICOPTER DURING THE DAY, WHILE TF HANSEN RETURNED BY FOOT. THERE WAS NO ENEMY CONTACT. DEBRIEFING OF UNITS REVEALED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION: ARVN RANGERS, 16 VC KIA - VIC BR 780532, 17 VC KIA - VIC BR 743520, 7 VC KIA - VIC BR 743540, 90 VC KIA - VIC BR 722530 TO BR 740549, 18 ADDITIONAL VC KIA (EST) THROUGHOUT AREA; TF COLLINS, 23 VC KIA - VIC BR 767532; TF SMITH AND TF COLLINS, 55 VC KIA IN INITIAL BATTLE AREA, VIC BR 745535. TOTAL ENEMY CASUALTIES: 208 VC KIA (BC), AND 18 VC KIA (EST). 1ST BDE INITIATED OPERATION ANZIO, A REDEPLOYMENT OF MAJOR UNITS. 2/502 INF COMMENCED MOVEMENT TO CAM RANH BAY TO ASSUME DEFENSE OF 1ST BDE TAOR (CAM RANH BAY) FROM TF 1/18. BN MOVED BY TRUCK FROM AN KHE PASS TO QUI NHON, BOARDED LSTS AT QUI NHON, AND SAILED FOR CAM RANH BAY. BN SHOULD ARRIVE AT CAM RANH BAY AT 212300H SEP. 2/327 INF REOCCUPIED POSITIONS IN SOUTHERN SECTOR OF AN KHE PERIMETER. 1/327 INF OCCUPIED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS IN AN KHE PASS, ASSUMING DEFENSE OF PASS FROM 2/502 INF. 2/5 CAV CONSOLIDATED DEFENSIVE POSITIONS IN NORTHERN SECTOR OF AN KHE PERIMETER. TF 1/18 CONTINUES DEFENSE OF 1ST BDE TAOR (CAM RANH BAY) PENDING RELIEF BY 2/502 INF.

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a. MAJOR UNIT ACTIONS:

(1) OPERATION HIGHLAND:

- (a) DTG OPERATION INITIATED: 230600H AUG 65.
- (b) DTG OPERATION TERMINATED: CONTINUES THRU REPORTING PERIOD.
- (c) RESULTS: (THIS REPORTING PERIOD) APPROX 130 SUPPLY TRUCKS TRAV-

ELLED HWY 19 CONTRIBUTING TO BUILDUP OF 1ST CAV DIV (AIR).

(2) OPERATION ^{GILBERTAR} HIGHLAND:

- (a) DTG OPERATION INITIATED: 180500H SEP 65.
- (b) DTG OPERATION TERMINATED: 211445H SEP 65.
- (c) RESULTS: (CORRECTED FIGURES FOR 4 DAY PERIOD)

FRD LOSSES

EN LOSSES

13 KIA

208 KIA (BC)

44 WIA

18 KIA (EST) (BASED ON NUMEROUS PARTS OF BODIES DISCOVERED)

5 M-1 RIFLES, 1 CARBINE, 2 BARS, 8 SMGS, 1 MG*,

1 RL, 1AA 50 CAL MOUNT, 2 60MM MORT MOUNTS, 30 RDS

60MM AMMO (FIRED BACK AT VC)

* ERRONEOUSLY REPORTED IN SITREP NO 53 AS 2 MG.

b. SMALL UNIT ACTIONS:

- (1) TOTAL NO OF NIGHT CONTACTS: 2.
- (2) TOTAL NO OF DAY CONTACTS: 1.
- (3) TOTAL NO OF CONTACTS: 3.
- (4) SMALL UNIT ACTIONS W/O CONTACT: 3.
- (5) SMALL UNIT ACTIONS WITH CONTACT:

<u>PROV/COORD</u>	<u>DTG</u>	<u>OL</u>	<u>ACTION</u>	<u>FRD UNIT/LOSSES</u>	<u>EN UNIT/LOSSES</u>
BINH DINH (BR580486)	202045H	SEP	MORT ATK	1/327/NONE	UNKN/UNKN
BINH DINH (BR625475)	202146H	SEP	SNIPER	2/502/NONE	UNKN/UNKN
BINH DINH (BR582448)	211510H	SEP	STEPPED ON MINE	1/327/1 KIA	N/A

3. (C) PLANS SUMMARY: UNITS PLAN CONTINUATION OF OPERATIONS HIGHLAND AND ANZIO.

4. (C) OTHER ACTIVITIES:

- a. AIR SORTIES: NONE; FACS ASSIGNED: 3.
- b. ARTY ROUNDS EXPENDED: 50 FIRE MISSIONS; 478 HE, AND 8 ILL.