

~~SECRET~~
CLASSIFICATION

FOR OFFICIAL
USE ONLY

Copy 1 of 8 Copies
2d Bn (Abn) 502d Inf
1st Bde. 101st Abn Div
Chu Lai, RVN
101600H Sep 67
RDM

175-0167
in base

OPORD 33-67 (U)

References: Maps, VIETNAM, 1:50,000, series L7014, sheets: 6639I,IV; 6640II,
III; 6739I,IV; 6740III.

OPORD 34-67 (WHEELER), dated 091800H Sep 67.

Task Org:

- A/2-502
Engr Clearing Tm.
Scout Dog Tm.
- B/2-502
Engr Clearing Tm.
Scout Dog Tm.
- C/2-502
Engr Clearing Tm.
Scout Dog Tm.
- MIKE Force Co. (DS)
- Recondos/2-502
Engr Clearing Tm.
- Bn Control
HHC(-)
Hvy Mortar Plt
3rd Plt, A-326 Engr(-)

1 SITUATION (S-NOFORN)

- a. Enemy Forces: Annex B. (Intelligence)
- b. Friendly Forces:

- (1) 1st Bde. 101st Abn Div conducts airmobile assaults on 11 and 12 Sep 67 into area northwest of TAM KY (BTO627) to find, fix, and destroy VC/NVA forces and to neutralize VC/NVA base camps.
- (2) 1-327, on D-Day, H-Hour conducts airmobile assault into southern portion of UDEN AO, commences S&D ops in zone and screens likely avenues of enemy egress south from northern portion of AO. Bde IAF.
- (3) 2-327, on D+1 conducts airmobile assaults into northeast portion of UDEN AO and commences S&D ops to southwest in zone.
- (4) C-320 Arty (DS)

DOWNGRADED CONFIDENTIAL
UPON EXECUTION

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~
~~SECRET~~
CLASSIFICATION

FOR OFFICIAL
USE ONLY

2/502-5-63-67

*Declassified Effort on 16 Jun 67
Auth 170886 Lt's Subj: Declassification
of Classified Documents dtd 16 Jun 67
w/j*

~~SECRET~~ CONFIDENTIAL
CLASSIFICATION

- (5) 1 Btry, 3-16 Arty (155 How) reinforce 2-320 Arty from TIEN PHUOC.
- (6) 7th US Air Force provides close air support.
- (7) US 7th Fleet provides naval gunfire support.
- (8) 176th Assault Avn Co DS to 1st Bde. 101st Abn Div.

c. Attachments and detachments: Task Org.

2. MISSION (S-NOFORN)

2-502 on D+1, A-hour, conducts airmobile assaults into northwest portion of UDEN AO, establishes blocking positions on suspected avenues of approach/egress, and prepares to commence S&D ops to northeast in zone.

3. EXECUTION (S-NOFORN)

- a. Concept of Operation: Annex A, Operation Overlay. 2-502 on D+1, A-hour, conducts airmobile assault from present base area into northwest portion of UDEN AO in five LZ's, establishes blocking positions, and prepares to conduct S&D ops to northeast. Artillery/Air preps of all LZ's will be fired on known or suspected enemy locations. Barrier fires will be planned on avenues of approach and egress near LZ's. Priority of fires to assaulting elements until closure, then troops in contact. Annex C Fire Support.
 - b. Co A: Land LZ 2, establish blocking posn on E-W trails vic. BT060242 and BT058234.
 - c. Co B: Land LZ 1, establish blocking posn on N-S trails vic. BT058252.
 - d. Co C: Land LZ 5, establish blocking posn on N-S trails vic. BT105253, and BT113244.
 - e. MIKE Force Co: Land LZ 4, establish blocking posn on N-S trails vic. BT093227 and BT111227.
 - f. Recondos: Land LZ 3, secure LZ for Tac CP, establish blocking posn on E-W trails vic. BT082228, BT075226, and BT083228.
 - g. Hy Mortar Plt: GS vic. Tac CP with 2 81mm and 2 4.2in mortars, be prepared to provide a platoon sized force as Bn IAF.
 - h. 3rd Plt, A-326 Engr(-): GS
 - i. Coordinating Instructions:
 - (1) D-Day, H-Hour, 111000H Sep 67. D+1, A-hour, 120700H Sep 67.

~~SECRET~~ CONFIDENTIAL
CLASSIFICATION

~~SECRET~~ *Confidential*
CLASSIFICATION

- (2) Order of insertion: A Co, Recondos, B Co, D Co, C Co, Tac CP integrated
- (3) Northern boundary of AO is NFL with III MAF.
- (4) All other boundaries are FCL's and are effective D+1 0001H.
- (5) Plan maximum use of supporting fires; precede assaulting forces by walking fires in on enemy fortified positions.
- (6) Rules of engagement: UDEN AO is considered to be VC territory; commanders will not fire into populated areas indiscriminately, however safety of the command comes first.
- (7) A minimum of every other man will carry individual entrenching tool.
- (8) All units will be dug in on blocking positions by nightfall on D+1.
- (9) Close coordination between adjacent units directed.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS (S-NOFORN)

a. Supply:

(1) Cl I:

- (a) Units will carry C-rations in assault as follows: Co A, 3 days; Co B, 2 days; Co C, 4 days; Recondos, 5 days; Tac CP 5 days; MIKE Force, 6 days.

(b) Resupply as requested, Brown Bag will be delivered on Firefly.

(2) Cl II and IV: Unit distribution on Firefly.

(3) Cl III: As requested through ADSOC.

(4) Cl V:

(a) Units will carry basic load in assault.

(b) Hvy Mortar Plt will carry double basic load.

(c) Normal resupply as requested on Firefly, emergency resupply on call at ADSOC.

b. Medical evacuation and hospitalization:

(1) Bn aid station at Tac CP

~~SECRET~~ *Confidential*
CLASSIFICATION

(2) Medevac (DUSTOFF) requests will be called to ADSOC, on A/L net using standard request form in SOI.

c. Miscellaneous: ADSOC located at Tac CP.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL (S-NOFORN)

a. Signal: Current SOI's in effect.

b. Command: CO in C&C ship until airmobile assault completed, then at Tac CP.

Acknowledge:

PUCKETT
LTC

Annexes: A- Operation Overlay
B- Intelligence
C- Fire Support
D- Civil Affairs/Psy-Ops
E- Air Movement (TBP)

Distribution: Special

OFFICIAL

PERRINE
S-3

Medi

(1)

CONFIDENTIAL
~~SECRET~~
CLASSIFICATION

(4)

CLASSIFICATION

Copy 1 of 6 Copies
 2d Bn (Abn), 502d Inf
 1st Bde, 101st Abn Div
 Chu Lai, RVN
 101600H Sep 67
 RDM

ANNEX C (Fire Support) to OPORD 33-67 (OPERATION WHEELER)

References: Maps, sheet # 6640II, 6640III, 1:50,000

1. (C) SITUATION:

a. Enemy Forces:

- (1) Annex A (Intelligence to OPORD 33-67).
- (2) Enemy capabilities current insums.

b. Friendly Forces: See OPORD 33-67.

2. (C) MISSION: On D+1 2-502 Inf supported by all available fire support means; conducts airmobile assaults of multiple LZ's in assigned AO. Set up blocking position with planned fires in AO.

3. (C) EXECUTION:

a. Concept of Operation: See OPORD 33-67.

b. Air Support:

- (1) General: 7th US Air Force and 176th Avn Co will support 2-502 Inf with LZ preps, planned and on call air strikes throughout operation (WHEELER). Air Cap will be on station throughout insertion of 2-502 Inf.

(2) Allocations:

- (a) One flight of Tac Air for each LZ preparation armed with Daisycutters, GP and 20mm.
- (b) Gunships armed with mgs and rockets.
- (c) Smokeships.
- (d) FAC and FAC aircraft on station and on call throughout LZ preps and subsequent operations, an air observer will accompany the FAC during LZ preps when available.

CONFIDENTIAL

CLASSIFICATION

CLASSIFICATION

(e) Miscellaneous (Air Fire Support) Appendix 1 TBP.

c. Artillery Support:

- (1) General: Artillery will support (WHEELER) with planned and on call fires on LZ's, suspect routes of travel, suspected enemy base camp and targets of opportunity. Priority of fires to troops in contact.
- (2) Defensive targets will be fired in prior to hours of darkness daily.
- (3) Organization for Combat:
 - (a) Batteries A, B, and C 2-320 Arty.
 - (b) C/3-16 Arty (155mm).
- (4) Miscellaneous Appendix 2 (Arty Fire Plan).
 - (a) Target List.

d. Coordinating Instructions:

- (1) Artillery air observers on station with FAC when possible.
- (2) LZ preps 30 min max duration.
- (3) Arty preps will be preceded by AF preps. Coordination between Arty LNO, FAC and gunship is authorized for LZ preps.
- (4) Boundaries are FCL. Fires within 500 meters of adjacent units must be cleared through fixed fire 9.

4. (C) ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS: Omitted.

5. (C) COMMAND AND SIGNAL:

- a. Signal: Current SOI.
- b. Command: SOP.

Acknowledge:

PUCKETT
LTC

Distribution: Same as basic

Appendices:

- 1-Air Fire Support: TBP
- 2-Arty Fire Support

OFFICIAL:

PERRINE

CONFIDENTIAL

CLASSIFICATION

CONFIDENTIALCLASSIFICATION

Appendix II (Arty Fire Plan) to ANNEX C (Fire Support Plan) to OPORD 33-67

Reference: OPORD 33-67

1. A short (30 min max) intensive, arty prep will be conducted on each LZ as shown in Tab A (Target List). Each preparation is on call.
2. H-Hour: TBA
D-Day: 11 Sep 67.
3. 2-502 LNO (Fixed Fire 50) will control on Fixed Fire FD-3 (45.20).
4. Firing units announce shot, rounds complete (as appropriate) and splash.
5. Firing units est commo with Fixed Fires 50 on FD-3, 45.20 at 0615 12 Sep 67.
6. FAC, gunships will est commo on FD-3 (45.20).
7. Time check at 0620, 12 Sep 67.
8. Preps will be adjusted by 50. Marking round WP, subsequent rounds HE.

Acknowledge:

PUCKETT
LTC

Distribution: Same as basic

Tabs:

A-Target List

OFFICIAL:

PERRINE
S-3**CONFIDENTIAL**
CLASSIFICATION