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1. (C) GENERAL ENEMY SITUATION:

During the reporting period, 1st Air Cav Division units terminated Operation Delaware (19 April-17 May) in the Ashau Valley and initiated Operation Jeb Stuart III in Base Areas 101, 114, and "The Street Without Joy" area. Ground contact had remained light in the Ashau, and the heaviest enemy action had occurred in the last few days of the operation in the form of heavy artillery attacks from an area between the valley and Base Area 611. In the Jeb Stuart III AO, the enemy employed 122mm rockets in several attacks by fire against 1st Air Cav Div LZs. Ground activity remained relatively light to moderate throughout the three operational areas of Jeb Stuart III until the last portion of the month, when 1st Air Cav elements participated in a battalion sized contact with the 5th Bn, 812th NVA Regiment, killing 105 NVA and capturing 11.

a. Operation Delaware-Lam Son 216: This operation, which had been initiated on 19 April, was terminated during the reporting period (17 May 68). The Third Brigade has continued to operate in the northern half of the Ashau Valley, with 1st Brigade continuing its operations in the central portion of the valley.

(1) 1st Brigade (Operation Delaware-Lam Son 216): Activity in the 1st Brigade AO consisted primarily of light contacts during the first three days of the reporting period. On 04 May, elements of 1-8 Cav, operating vic YD 366008, found a weapons cache containing 440 K-44 bolt action rifles and one EMG. 2-8 Cav continued its assessment of a cache found on 23 May, vic YD 364012, which contained approximately 120 rds of 75mm RR ammo, 400 rifle grenades, 5000 rds of 37mm ammo, 5000 rds of 12.7mm ammo, one flame-thrower, a large amount of medical supplies, and 400 bolt action rifles (Type 53). On the same day, vic YD 361013, D 1-8 Cav found a truck park and an ammunition cache containing 12 Soviet type 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ton trucks (two operable), 3000 rds AK-47 ammo, 1000 rds SKS ammo, 10 lbs of TNT, 30 CHICOM grenades, eight boxes of tools, and three tons of truck parts. Another cache found by 2-8 elements on 05 May vic YD 363001 contained 27 9mm SMGs, six 75mm RRs, three 60mm mortar sights, one 82mm mortar sight, two 50 cal BMGs mounted on wheels, 811 K-44s, 500 assorted individual weapons, 1900 rds of 37mm ammo, 300 rifle grenades, 96 CHICOM grenades, 2600 rds of 7.62mm ammo, 22 boxes of meat, 43 boxes of assorted foodstuffs, 51 rds of 122mm arty ammo, 9000 rds 50 cal ammo, and over 17,000 rds of 23mm AA ammo. B 2-8 Cav, operating vic YD 367012 on 06 May, discovered another large cache. Initial assessment resulted in the following equipment found: 1200 rds 23mm AA ammo, 6000 rds 37mm ammo, 300 rds 57mm ammo (type unknown), 28 rds 85mm ammo (type unknown), 40 road wheels for tracked vehicles, 500 track blocks (possibly for light tanks), 150 sledge hammer heads, 150 pick heads, 1000 large nails, 50 lbs TNT, 1000 gals motor oil, 1000 rds AK-47 ammo, 11 K-44 rifles, 18 rifle grenades, and 500 gals of grease. Another large enemy complex was found on 12 May 68, when

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1-8 Cav elements operating vic YD 364013 discovered an underground hospital and bunker complex containing 1300 lbs of medical supplies, including sulfa drugs, penicillin, 15,200 rds AK-47 ammo, 900 rds 9mm ammo, 200 blasting caps, 123 cases of pull-type fuzes, 60 rifle grenades, 20 cases of plastic waterproofing, one K-44, one SMG, 1000 picks and rakes, 140 rds 76mm gun ammo, 50 gas mask filters, 12 rds 60mm mortar ammo, one damaged microscope, six 55-gal drums of oil, 200 rds 37mm ammo, 20 first aid kits, 6 lbs TNT, and one gas detector kit. 1-9 Cav elements engaged what was estimated as a company sized element on 13 May vic YD 357019, and received eight secondary explosions. The element also observed what was believed to be an ammo dump exploding. 1-8 Cav also found another large enemy administrative area and cache, vic YD 363017, containing 1000 picks and rakes, 78 55-gal drums of POL products, several boxes of truck parts, one truck engine, one new rear end, two red trucks previously destroyed by air strikes, 1125 quart cans of beef and pork, 10 cases of preserves, 800 bars of soap, 600 tubes of toothpaste, 25 cases of foodstuffs in bar form, 10 quarts of beef bouillon, one minigun, one M-60 MG, one SKS, two K-44s, three cases of medical supplies, 20 lbs of unknown foodstuffs, two 75mm RRs, and 750 rds of 37mm ammo. B 1-8 Cav, operating southwest of this location (vic YD 388007), also discovered a vehicle repair parts storage area containing 15 cases of truck parts in good condition, two boxes of ignition parts, 20 clutch plates, 15 coils, 100 carburetors, five generators, six flywheels, 20 pistons, five starters, 200 brake shoes, six new batteries, three radiators, one transmission, and 40-50 lbs of documents. A 1-8 Cav on 13 May discovered two caves 60' long (vic YD 352010) that appeared to be an underground hospital containing 25 beds and a large amount of medical supplies. On 14 May there were no large finds in the Brigade AO, but enemy resistance increased in the form of heavy artillery attacks from an area west of the valley. LZ Stallion (YD 378400) received approximately 50 rds of mixed artillery (122mm, 130mm, and an unknown type) at approximately 1200 hours, and 15-20 rds of 82mm mortar fire in the early evening. On 15 May, LZ Stallion received three more indirect fire attacks of mixed 122mm and 130mm fire, with a total of 55-60 rounds being fired on the LZ. At 1620 hrs the LZ received a fourth indirect fire attack of 20-25 rounds of 60mm mortar.

(2) 3rd Brigade (Operation Delaware-Lam Son 216): On 02 May 68, A 2-7 Cav, operating 5 km northwest of A Lupi airfield (vic YD 347038), found an enemy company sized base area containing several bunkers with two feet of overhead cover, and an interlocking trench network, and captured two enemy 37mm AA weapons. Near the same area a truck park was also discovered, containing two 2 1/2 ton trucks previously destroyed by air strikes. On 03 May, 2-7 elements operating vic YD 358032 again found two 37mm AA weapons in good condition. 5-7 Cav elements added one more captured 37mm AA weapon on the same day. This weapon, found vic YD 266105, had been previously destroyed by air strike. On 04 May, 1-7 Cav discovered what appeared to be a storage area for a battalion sized enemy engineer unit. Found in the area were 100 sticks of C-4, 262 pick heads, 259 shovel heads, 58 hammer heads, two cases of TNT, and 540 rds of AK-47 ammo. A primary aspect of enemy resistance in the 3d Bde AO was the employment of indirect fire attacks against friendly LZs. During the period 01 thru 10 May, a total of 10 indirect fire attacks were launched against 3d Bde elements in the Ashau, with six of these attacks occurring on 06 and 07 May. In the heaviest attack during the reporting period, LZ Tiger (YD 2508) received, on 06 May, an

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estimated 250-300 rounds of large caliber fire, including 122mm rockets, 82mm mortar, and 75mm RR fire. Direct fire from a 37mm AA weapon, as well as fire from an unknown type tracked vehicle was also received during one of the attacks.

(3) Analysis and Conclusion (Operation Delaware-Lam Son 216):

Initially, the enemy in the Ashau Valley employed a heavy volume of antiaircraft fire against assaulting elements. As the operation progressed, resistance was light, and came in the form of scattered ground contacts, with the enemy elements seemingly showing reluctance to commit themselves in any protracted engagement. Only during the latter phase of the operation, as 1st Air Cav elements began their extraction from the valley, did the enemy show major resistance to 1st Air Cav units, and this resistance came primarily in the form of artillery attacks against 1st Cav LZs. It is believed that the majority of the ground elements in the Ashau withdrew shortly before the arrival of 1st Cav forces in the area, leaving only a token delaying ground force in the area. The large numbers of documents, electrical equipment, and other enemy equipment captured west of A Luoi airfield indicated that a forward command and control element had been operating in this area (vic YD 355005) prior to the operation. The element BINH TRAM 7, a regimental sized transportation unit, indicated by documents as the overall control unit for the valley, is one of the major subunits of the 559th Transportation Group, which controls the main infiltration and commo liaison route running through Laos. It is believed that resistance was of a token nature, primarily because a major portion of the equipment and supplies initially in the valley had already been shipped into other areas. It is also probable that the rear headquarters for Binh Tram 7 was probably located in Base Area 611, and was not seriously threatened by an operation in the valley area itself. Although the capture of large amounts of supplies and equipment has seriously hampered the enemy on a temporary basis, it is not felt to have been a major blow against his overall logistical capability. A more important aspect of the operation has been the denial of the 547A-548 highway complex as a major route of supply infiltration to the enemy. It is felt that the enemy will continually attempt to re-open this supply route, and that his operations, particularly in the Thua Thien area will be significantly hampered until he is able to do so.

b. Operation Jeb Stuart III: 1st Cav elements in Operation Jeb Stuart III were split into three operational areas. 1st & 2d Bde's operated in Base Area 101 and the surrounding area, while 3d Bde elements operated in the "Street Without Joy", centered around the graveyard, vic YD 5840, and in conjunction with elements of the 1st ARVN Division in Base Area 114. In Base Area 101, even though continual indications of heavy infiltration were received. Ground contact remained light, with the enemy continuing to employ indirect fire attacks of both mortar and rocket against 1st Cav units. Activity in the "Street" area was characterized by continual squad-sized contacts, and the enemy's employment of 60 and 82mm mortar fire against friendly ground troops, both during ground contacts, and while friendly troops were deployed in night defensive perimeters. Large amounts of rice were captured in the "Street" area as 1st Cav elements concentrated on denying enemy access to the current rice crop. In Base Area 114, ground contact was light to moderate, with 1st Air Cav and 1st ARVN discovering

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two major hospital complexes, a regimental or larger CP area, and several other enemy base areas. Camp Evans received a total of seventy 122mm rockets during the reporting period, in a total of six attacks. Most of the rounds were launched from the Go Bi Than Tha ridge area, just north of Base Area 114.

(1) Base Area 101 (1st & 2d Brigade A0, Operation Jeb Stuart III): On 17 May, LZ Sharon (vic YD 3349), received five 122mm rockets from suspected locations vic YD 332443 and YD 319398. 1-9 Cav elements in a visual recon of the enemy positions received heavy fire and observed a heavily used trail with commo wire running along it. Six air strikes were called in, and 13 bunkers and commo wire were destroyed. There were also 5 enemy KIA by the strikes. B 1-8 Cav received a sapper type attack on 18 May from an estimated battalion (-) enemy force. The enemy employed heavy SA and AW fire, and satchel charges. The attack was repelled, and 12 NVA were KIA with one NVA captured. Initial interrogation revealed that the attacking force was made up of elements of the K-4 Battalion, 812th NVA Regiment. On 24 May, an OP of the 1st Bde (vic YD 325389) received AW fire and 11 rounds of 60mm mortar fire from an estimated enemy heavy weapons platoon. The friendly element engaged and moved into the suspected enemy location. Found in the enemy area were items of miscellaneous military gear, 11 blocks of TNT, 2030 rounds of AK-47 ammo, one claymore mine, eleven 122mm rockets, eight 82mm mortar rounds, 23 60mm mortar rounds, and various medical supplies. 2-8 Cav operating vic YD 2840 on 25 May received nine 122mm rockets. Ground elements reacting to the firings found two rocket positions, vic YC 336387, which could be used to fire on several friendly LZs in the area. On 28 May, A 3-5 Cav made contact with an estimated enemy battalion on the coast, northeast of Quang Tri city. Three companies of 1-12 Cav, 1st Bde, and 1-8 Cav, 1st Bde, were air assaulted into the contact area, and by the end of the day 40 enemy had been killed. The action in this vicinity continued through 30 May, with final assessment resulting in 105 NVA KIA and 11 NVA Captured. Initial interrogation of PW's revealed that the contact was with elements of the K-5 Battalion, 812th NVA Regt. PW's indicated that the battalion had moved into the HAI VINH (V) area to protect the rice harvest.

(2) "Street Without Joy" (3d Brigade A0, Operation Jeb Stuart III): Prior to the official initiation of Jeb Stuart III, 4-31 Inf elements operating in the "Street" area (vic YD 5243) received M-79, mortar and AW fire from an unknown size enemy force on 09 May. The contact resulted in a total of 40 NVA KIA. On 11 May, vic YD 558428, an aerial observer from 1-30 Arty spotted 20 enemy in the open, and called in artillery fire which resulted in 18 NVA KIA. 2-7 Cav units in the "Street" area found two rice caches on 13 & 15 May totalling approx 22½ tons. Two other large caches totalling approx 11½ tons were found by 2-7 Cav elements in the "Street" area on 18 May. On 19 May, 2-7 Cav elements operating vic YD 607395 were in contact with a company sized enemy force, and killed 9 NVA. An assessment on 21 May of enemy activity in the "Street" area revealed that during the period 14-21 May 2-7 Cav elements had participated in 13 squad sized and 11 platoon sized contacts. 13 Mortar attacks were also received during this time period, while friendly elements killed 37 enemy. On 21 May, 2-7 Cav elements called in A/S and artillery vic YD 609393, which resulted in 10 enemy KIA (included in the 37 BC for 1-21 May). Ground action continued to be composed primarily of squad-sized contacts through the end of the reporting period.

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(3) Base Area 114 (3d Brigade AO, Operation Jeb Stuart III: From 1-6 May, LRP teams deployed along the Co Bi Than Tha Ridge had several sightings of up to 20-man groups of enemy, and on 5 May Camp Evans received 16 rounds of 122mm rocket fire from positions located along the ridge. 1-9 Cav elements operating vic YD 515227 on 6 May found what appeared to be an enemy training area and base area, including 12 huts (8' x 12' x 18') well camouflaged with one bunker (4' x 6') inside each hut. Tunnels connected each hut, and camo wire was strung in the area. Silhouette targets which had been recently fired on with small arms were also found. 4-31 Inf on 11 May discovered an enemy base camp area consisting of 30 1-man foxholes, 200M of trenchline, four AA positions, and 8 bunkers with overhead cover. Various items of NVL equipment, one 60mm mortar round, and numerous 122mm rocket fuzes were also found in the area. On 13 May, Camp Evans received its third rocket attack from the Co Bi Than Tha area consisting of a total of 13-14 122mm rockets from the south in two separate attacks. Airstrikes put into the suspected firing area resulted in 5 bunkers damaged, uncovered a large number of huts and bunkers, and killed 3 NVL. LZ Evans again received an attack of approximately 12 122mm rockets from the Co Bi Than Tha area on 19 May. Elements of the 3-1 ARVN Div operating in conjunction with 3d Bde elements vic YD 502206 on 20 May discovered a large bunker complex in Base Area 114, believed to have recently been occupied by a major headquarters. In the area a sand table model of Hue Citadel, four typewriters, two AN/GRC-87 radios, and an ammunition storage area were found. In further assessment of the area on 21 and 22 May, a tunnel complex, including a main tunnel 30" wide and 3½' high was found dug into the side of the mountain. Four other tunnels branched off into rooms, one of which was 6' high and had a bed inside. A second room appeared to be a medical treatment room. The third room was a radio repair room and the fourth was a latrine. Several documents, seven telephones, and a switchboard were also found. Arms and ammunition found in the same general area (vic YD 497214) included two 60MM mortars with base plates and bipods, one M-1 carbine, one SKS, 300 rds B-40 rocket ammo, 130 rds of 60mm mortar ammo, 20 rds of 82mm mortar ammo, four AP mines, three AT mines, 50 cases of AK-47 ammo, two CHICOM claymores, five US claymores, two cases of K-44 ammo, one CHICOM telephone, 200 bars of plastic explosives, 13 cases of booster charges for B-40's, 100 assorted uniforms, and twelve 122mm rockets. Documents found in the area indicated that the complex had probably been used by elements of MRTTH headquarters. (See Annex E). On 23 May 2-3 ARVN operating vic YD 552210 found 10 NVL KIA on 22 May. Documents picked up on the area indicated 2d Co, 1st Bn, 803d Regt and 2d Co, 2d Bn, 803d Regt, possible elements of the 29th NVA Regt, and K-200, the Rear Service and Transportation Staff Section of MRTT. 2-1 ARVN Regt operating vic YD 505216 on 24 May made contact with an unknown sized enemy force, killing 12 NVA and capturing one LMG, 2 BAR's, 63 SKS, thirty B-40 rockets and 10 rds of 82mm mortar ammo. On 25 May, 1-3 ARVN Regt, reacting to intelligence reports of an enemy medical complex, found an enemy hospital vic YD 500187 consisting of 16 structures with bunkers 12' x 12' wide, with 16 bottles penicillin, 1 jar of Chloroform, 15 used plasma jars, and various supplies and equipment. Documents found in the area indicated that the hospital had probably supplied medical support to the majority of the NVA units operating in the Hue, Highway 547, Base Area 114 areas. On the same day, elements of 1-7 Cav found a rocket position vic YD 552217 10' wide and 50M long on a ridgeline, which had probably been used in the attacks on Camp Evans (see par 2i). Resistance in the base area

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increased on 26 May with 1-3 ARVN coming into contact with an estimated two enemy companies vic YD 500189. Air strikes and artillery called into the area resulted in seven NVA KIA. On 27 May 2-12 Cav found a battalion sized hospital complex containing a large amount of medical supplies, maps, clothing, and documents. On the last day of the reporting period, 2-12 Cav discovered a large enemy bunker complex vic YD 474136 with approximately 50 well fortified, recently used bunkers.

(4) Analysis and Conclusions (Operation Jeb Stuart III): Although ground contact remained light, agent reports from 15 to 31 May and IR readouts continued to indicate the infiltration of large enemy units into Base Area 101. Concentration of activity appeared to be just north of the eastern mouth of the Ba Long valley, and in the western portion of 101. It is believed that the majority of the units normally operating in the Base Area concentrated during the reporting period on securing a maximum portion of the rice harvest. With the end of the harvest, enemy units can be expected to return to their base areas in preparation for future operations against allied installations. In the Base Area 114 - Co Bi Than Tha area, it is felt that the discovery and destruction of several large complexes will hamper and delay, but not seriously limit, enemy actions in this area. Agent reports indicated the movement of large enemy units in the Co Bi Than Tha Ridge area just east of Base Area 114 during the last two weeks of the reporting period. A PW captured shortly after the end of the period (vic YD 482136) stated that he was from the 16th Signal Bn, 803d NVA Regt. He also stated that the regimental headquarters and 2d Bn, 803d Regt, had moved from an area north of Hue on 25 May, and that they were located vic YD 4517. The PW also indicated that the other two battalions of the regiment were to follow into the same area in the near future. The movement of the 803d into this area is probably for the purpose of resupply and training of replacements for troops lost in contacts with the 101st Abn Div north of Hue.

(5) General Analysis (Formation of New Enemy Unit South of Hue City): 101st Abn Div INTSUM 150-68 reported that on 19 April, rallier Phan Van Nghia stated he was a member of the 22d Regt. He also stated that the K4, K10, and K18 battalions were subordinate to the 22d Regiment. C-2/501st Abn captured a PW who stated he was a member of the 2d Co, K10 Bn (AKA 810th), 5th Regt. The PW was captured in Huong Thuy District vic YD 535235. He stated that the 5th Regt consisted of the K4 Bn, 12th Sapper Bn, K10 Bn, and a newly infiltrated unit designated the 815th Bn. He also reported that the 5th Regiment's base camp area was in the vicinity of the Mui Ke mountain area (vic YD 7605). 101st Abn Div INTSUM 142-68 reported that a PW captured after the 21 May attack on Hq, 1st Bde, 101st Abn Div, stated that he was a member of the Chi Thua Bn, which was the new sapper battalion of the Cong Truong 5 (5th Worksite). Documents containing enemy signal information, captured by the 1st ARVN Div on 20 May vic YD 502206, listed the following battalions for the 5th Group: K804 Bn, K810 Bn, and K815 Bn. 101st Abn Div also reported that a PW captured in a contact east of Hue City on 1 Jun 68 stated that he was a company commander from the K10 Bn, 5th Regt. He further stated that the K2, K4, K10, and 12th Sapper Bns were the subordinate units of the regiment. Based on the above information, the probable composition of the new 5th Regt, AKA 22d Regt, is as follows:

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5th Regiment (AKA 22d Regiment Hq)
 K10 Bn (810 Bn, formerly indep)
 K4 Bn (804 Bn, formerly indep)
 G15th Bn (newly formed)
 K22 Bn (12 Sapper Bn)

2. (C) ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING THE PERIOD:

- a. Strengths and Dispositions: Annex A.
- b. Order of Battle: Annex A.
- c. Reserves and Reinforcements: Annex A.
- d. New Enemy Tactics: Omitted.
- e. Air Defense: (See Annex B). During the reporting period there were 285 incidents of aircraft receiving ground-to-air fire. Grid squares showing the heaviest density of firings were YD 2000 (21 firings), YD 3000 (21 firings), YD 5020 (26 firings), and YD 5040 (47 firings).
- f. Air Force: Omitted.

g. Antiaircraft Units: (1) During the May portion of Operation Delaware, a total of six 37mm AA weapons were captured in the Ashau Valley. During the entire operation (19 April-17 May), there were a total of 13 37mm AA weapons, five 12.7mm AA weapons, and no 23mm AA weapons captured by 1st Cav units. A total of 17,955 rounds of 37mm ammunition, 62,096 rounds of 23mm ammunition, and 30,015 rounds of 12.7mm ammunition were also captured. The recent capture of four 23mm AA weapons (28 May) by 101st Abn Div vic YD 481031, and two 23mm AA weapons on 22 May vic YD 482027 combined with the capture of a large number of 25mm rounds in the valley indicates that these weapons were probably being used as security for the Highway 547A complex while the 37mm weapons and the 12.7mm weapons were intended for security in the valley itself. Of the thirteen 37mm AA guns found in the valley during operation Delaware, only three were found in prepared positions. The remainder of the guns were found buried in pairs in cache areas except for two, which were found destroyed by air strikes. These two weapons had commo wire leading to them, but no Fire Direction Center was found. The guns which were buried were probably buried in their firing positions since the pits were connected by filled in trenches.

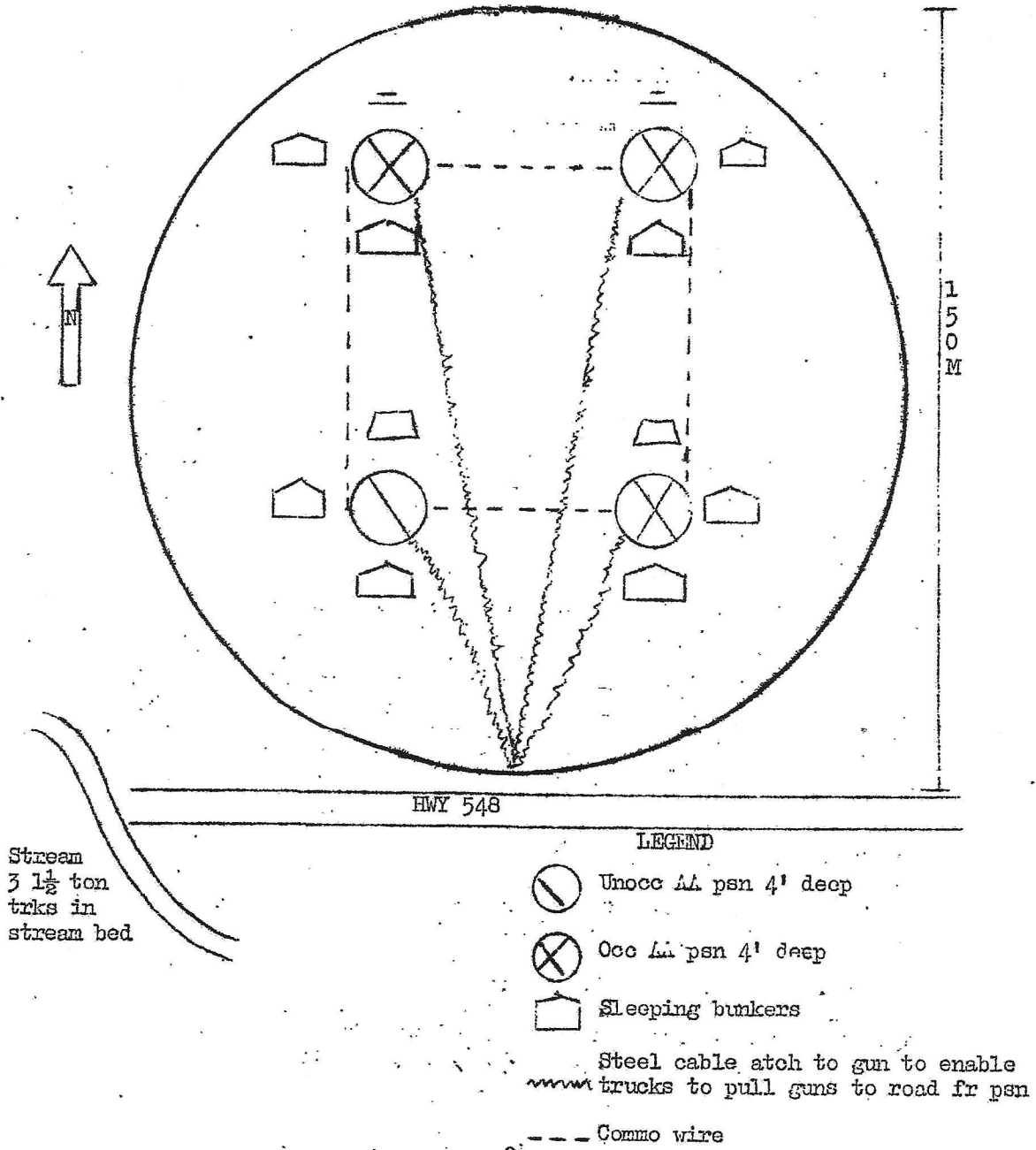
(2) There is no exact TOE listed for an Antiaircraft Artillery Regiment, but a "Type" TOE listed by MACV indicates that an AAA regiment would have eight AAA companies, with a total of 84 AA weapons in the regiment, ranging in size from 12.7mm AA Weapons to 100mm AA weapons. Documents captured in the Ashau during Operation Delaware indicated that the AAA unit in the area was the 280th AAA Regiment. The documents also indicated that the regiment was broken down into battalion size rather than company size units. The Third Battalion, 280th AAA Regiment, was most frequently mentioned in documents found in the vicinity of the 37mm AA weapons, and it is probable that the battalion was the unit

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responsible for the 37mm AA weapons. The 2d and 4th Bns, 280th AAA Regiment, were also mentioned in documents found during the operation, but their location could not be determined. The following was extracted from 3d Bde, LACD INTSUM NR 139-68:

SUBJECT: Diagram and Explanation of 37mm Gun Emplacement, Found by Units of 3d Bde on Operations in A Shau Valley. (Vic YD 315075)



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h. Armored Units: (1) The following sightings indicating the presence of an armored unit in the Ashau were reported during the last half of Operation Delaware:

(a) On 7 May vic YD 234063, a USAF EAC observed what appeared to be an estimated six tanks. Air strikes were called in with negative assessment due to the weather.

(b) On 8 May vic YD 248052 a tracked vehicle was observed moving into a treeline. Three air strikes were called in with negative assessment on the tank.

(c) On 4 May vic YC 459909 an estimated ten tracked vehicles were sighted. ARA and artillery were called in, possibly destroying three of the vehicles.

(2) During Operation Delaware, despite numerous sightings of tracked activity, and the destruction of one PT-76 tank and three other tracked vehicles, only one set of documents gave indication of the designation of the armored unit operating in the valley. In the abandoned PT-76 tank, discovered vic YC 392969, during the April portion of the operation, documents identified the 3rd Co, 3rd Bn, 203rd Armored Regiment. TOE for this regiment is reported to be 4 armored battalions, with one battalion equipped with 36 PT-76 Tanks, one battalion with T-34 tanks, and two battalions with 36 mixed PT-76 and T-34 tanks each, giving the regiment a total of 144 tanks. No hard intelligence was received during the operation which would indicate the presence of either T-34 or T-54 tanks in the valley. Based on the document roadout, and the type sightings and armored equipment found, it is estimated that there were elements of one and possibly two armored companies operating in the Ashau Valley area. The companies were probably elements of the 3rd Armored Battalion, 203rd Armored Regiment. It is believed that the 203rd Armored Regiment probably has a security mission throughout the length of the Commo Liaison Route operated by the 559th Transportation Group, with specific emphasis placed on the security of commo-supply stations along the route. PW Hoang Van Hung, captured on 7 May 68 near Luoi stated that on 1 or 2 May 68 he saw a convoy approaching from the direction of Laos, and proceeding northeast toward Hue. He identified the tanks from DA Pam 381-10 as similar to the Soviet Heavy Assault Gun JSU-152. The tanks were Russian-made, but had Vietnamese drivers. The cadre in his unit referred to them as 18-ton tanks (the JSU weighs 51.2 tons).

i. Artillery: Although both 122mm and 130mm artillery fire were received during the last portion of Operation Delaware, no documents were found which would indicate the designation of the artillery units in the area. Heavy artillery attacks received on 14 and 15 May were believed to have come from an area west of the Valley, vic YD 315914. A total of 866 rounds of 122mm artillery were found in the Ashau during Operation Delaware. Although this is a possible indication of a heavy artillery capability east of the valley, no information has been reported that would further substantiate the presence of 122mm artillery in the Base Area 114-Hue area.

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J. Engineers: (1) A cache found via YD 295084 near four 37mm gun emplacements contained large amounts of engineer type equipment and supplies. Material found in the caches included the following items: 100 sticks of C-4, 262 pick heads, 259 shovel heads, 58 hammer heads, and 2 cases of TNT. PW Hoang Van Hung, Cpl, 1st Bn 7th Regt 559th Div (559th Group) captured near A Luoi on 7 May 68, stated that there were many large units in the Ashau valley. The 1st Bn, 7th Regt, provided security for the 2d Bn, 7th Regt, which was a truck transport battalion. Documents picked up in the valley indicated that large amounts of explosives and detonators were sent to the 3rd and 4th battalions (Not further identified.) It is possible that these two battalions were engineer units operating in the valley.

(2) Conclusion (Operation Delaware): The discovery of heavy road equipment (two disabled Russian bulldozers), the capture of large amounts of TNT and explosives, combined with the construction of Highway 547A and the discovery of a total of five bridges of various types of construction all confirm the existence of at least a battalion sized engineer unit which operated in the Ashau Valley prior to Operation Delaware.

3. (C) OTHER INTELLIGENCE FACTORS:

- a. Enemy Identification: Annex 4.
- b. Enemy Organization: 1st Cav OB Book and 1st Cav OB Update.
- c. Casualties: 231 KIA (BC)
- d. Morale: Omitted.
- e. Enemy Defenses, Minefields, Barriers, Fortifications, and Obstacles: (See Annex C).
- f. Details of Administrative Installations and Support: (See Annex D).
- g. Weather: (1) Operation Delaware-Jan Son 216: May in the Delaware AO was characterized by typical spring transitional weather. The general pattern was scattered clouds during mornings and late evenings, broken ceilings with cloud bases 2500-3000 feet with attendant thunderstorms during afternoons, and moderate to occasionally heavy fog between 2400 hrs and mid-morning. Weather conditions, although not optimum, were generally better than anticipated. Conditions for continuous day-long airborne operations existed on only two days during the operation. Approximately 4.2 inches of rain fell during the operation as precipitation was not a major weather factor. Maximum temperature was 100 degrees, the minimum was 65 degrees. The mean relative humidity was 83%.
 - (2) Operation Jeb Stuart III: The operation has been relatively unaffected by weather. The only weather affecting operations in any degree were afternoon and evening thunderstorms. These thunderstorms were localized. Thunderstorms occurred in 13 days during May. The thunderstorm activity occurred between 1200 hrs and 2200 hrs and the remainder of the time the AO was unaffected by weather. Maximum temperatures for the month were: extreme 108 degrees, mean 96 degrees. Minimum temperatures were: extreme 71 degrees, mean 75 degrees. Rainfall was 3.47 inches. Mean relative humidity was 83%.
- h. 1st Air Cav units captured 72.75 tons of rice during the reporting period.

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4. (C) COUNTERINTELLIGENCE:

a. Espionage: Police Special Branch, Quang Tri, reported that an NVA Lieutenant recently infiltrated from the north, would "Chieu Hoi" at Quang Tri for the purpose of penetration operations in the Quang Tri area. The lieutenant underwent 10 days of training after his infiltration in preparation for his assignment. The identity of the lieutenant is unknown. It has been reported that buffalo keepers have been trained by the VC to act as security guards in the Hoa Luong, Khe Tri, Nam Dong, Ta Rau, Cu Chanh areas, Nam Hoa District. Their mission is to warn VC/NVA units of the approach of allied forces by tying a piece of colored paper or cloth on a long stick and waving it in the air. Sources continue to report that the VC are using well trained attractive young women, who have a knowledge of the English language, for the purpose of collection information from American soldiers. Hanoi Central Intelligence Department is reported to have recalled Vietnamese females of Chinese descent from foreign countries, where they were undergoing intelligence training, and sent them to South Vietnam to obtain positions in the embassies of the United States, Korea, Japan, and Nationalist China. They have also been directed to obtain employment at US centers at Province level. These women are to replace personnel presently in place who have proved incapable, or who have been doubled by Free World Forces.

b. Sabotage: No reports of sabotage or attempts at sabotage have been reported on any US installation during the reporting period.

c. Political: The VC political structure in the area continued to suffer large losses during the reporting period. CI sources indicate that many cadre have been eliminated by FWF operations in the area and by artillery and air strikes. The VC have intensified their recruitment program, and have used threats of terrorism in order to induce the people to comply with their demands.

d. Propaganda: Propaganda during the reporting period has been directed at the peace negotiations in Paris. The people have been told not to discuss the peace talks, that peace would come sooner or later, that the situation in Paris at the present time was one of confusion, and that there had been discord among the President, Vice-President, and Premier. They have been told that because the liberation troops have dominated the battlefields, the Hanoi government was in a position to demand that the US comply with Hanoi's conditions concerning the negotiations.

5. (C) ENEMY CAPABILITIES:

Enumeration:

(1) Attack installations and friendly forces in the Jeb Stuart III AO with up to a regimental size force.

(2) Conduct rocket and/or mortar standoff attacks on selected installations throughout the AO.

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- (3) Attack the key cities of Hue and Quang Tri.
- (4) Conduct unconventional and psychological warfare to include:
 - (a) Interdiction of Highway #1.
 - (b) Small scale attacks and ambushes.
 - (c) Terrorism and sabotage.
 - (d) Propaganda activities.
 - (e) Use of mines and booby traps.

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ANNEXES: A - Order of Battle
B - Air Defense
C - Enemy Defenses
D - Administrative Support
E - Information Derived from Captured Documents, Interrogation Reports,
and Agent Reports

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SUBJECT: PART I SITREP for period 290001H to 292400H May 68. Nr 150.

1. (C) Operations Summary: Combat operations continued today in the area of the cordon, and the enemy body count continues to rise as a result of the last two days' actions by elements of the FIRST TEAM operating in the 1st ARVN DIV AO. Artillery fires were directed against the encircled enemy force during the night, and several enemy were killed as they attempted to infiltrate out of the cordon formed by the battalion(+) force. One company was withdrawn from the cordon area after conducting operations there during the morning and air assaulted back into the 1st Brigade AO southwest of LZ SHARON where it resumed normal combat operations. Elsewhere in the 1st Brigade area battalion-size forces continued operations in Base Area 101 and in the area to the north vicinity of LZs BETTY, SHARON & PEDRO. Two air assaults took place in the rice-growing area of the 2d Brigade sector, and also in that vicinity reconnaissance operations continued by the ground element of the 1 ACD reconnaissance squadron. Other units continued security of WUNDER BEACH and SKYKING AVE, while a battalion continued combat operations in the vicinity of LZ JANE and the area southeast. Approximately fourteen tons of rice were discovered by 3d Brigade ele-

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ments conducting search and clear operations along Route 555 on the coast. Elsewhere in the 3d Brigade AO the base defense bn at CAMP EVANS conducted a company-size air assault U of CAMP EVANS, and other elements continued local patrols and night ambushes to secure the CAMP EVANS - QL-1 area. In Base Area 114 a battalion-size force continued to drive through the southern-most portion of the base area and one element conducted an air assault ahead of the battalion(-) force. The 3d ARVN Regt and another battalion of SKYTROOPERS continued operations in other sectors of the base area and in adjoining area with no significant contact.

a. 1st BDE: (1-8 CAV, 2-8 CAV, 1-12 CAV): 1-8 CAV: A & C Cos cont scty LZs SHARON & PEDRO respectively. B Co cdt opns vic YD 346-477. D Co AA to YD 318468, cdt opns E to YD 322465. 2-8 CAV: A Co cdt opns NE fm YD 356387 to YD 364394. B Co cdt opns vic YD 329388. C Co cdt opns E to YD 314375. D & E(-) Cos cont scty LZ ANNE. 1-12 CAV: A Co cdt opns SW fm YD 437610 to YD 428607. B, C & E(-) Cos cdt opns vic YD 436606, YD 430610 & YD 430610 respectively. D Co cont scty LZ BETTY. A 3-5 ARM CAV: (OPCON) cdt opns vic YD 428605.

b. 2d BDE(-): (1-5 CAV, 2-5 CAV, 3-5 ARM CAV): 1-5 CAV: A & B Cos cdt opns E fm YD 387392 & YD 425355 to YD 402399 & YD 435357

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respectively. C, D & E(-) Cos cont sety LZ JANE. 2-5 CAV: Co A AA to YD 493469. B Co cdt opns vic YD 496444. C Co cont sety LZ HARDGORE; 1 plt cdt mini cav at YD 452488 then cdt opns to LZ HARDGORE. D Co AL fm YD 481416 to HAI LANG and assumed bridge sety and road sweep of QL-1. E Co(-) cdt opns fm HAI LANG to bridge at YD 437433. 3-5 AFM CAV: A Trp OPCON 1st Bde. B Trp cont sety LZ HARDGORE & SKYKING AVE. C Trp cont sety LZ WUNDER BEACH. 2-12 CAV OPCON to 3d Bde.

c. 3d BDE: (1-7 CAV, 2-7 CAV, 5-7 CAV, 2-12 CAV): 1-7 CAV: A Co cdt opns E fm YD 543204 to YD 584204. B Co cdt opns W fm LZ STELLIA to YD 458249 & rtn. C Co cdt opns vic YD 555215. D Co(-) cont sety LZ JACK; 1 plt cont sety LZ LONG. E Co(-) cont sety LZ HELEN. 2-7 CAV: A Co cont sety LZ JEANNE. B Co cdt opns SE fm YD 544498 to YD 552400. C Co cdt opns vic YD 575464. D Co cdt opns E fm YD 537479 to YD 547475 & rtn. 5-7 CAV: A & E(-) Cos cdt opns vic YD 574298 & YD 549281 respectively. B Co cdt opns vic YD 497361 along QL-1 & cont sety of bridges & road sweep. D Co AA to YD 510339, cdt opns SW to YD 500309. 2-12 CAV: A & C Cos cdt opns SE fm YD 478167 & YD 478151 to YD 480153 & YD 482143 respectively. B Co cdt opns SW fm YD 478167 to YD 469150. D Co AA to YD 447153, cdt opns SE to YD 456148. E Co(-) cont sety LZ MEREDITH.

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d. 3d ARVN Regt: (2-1 Bn, 1-3 Bn, 2-3 Bn): 2-1 Bn: Cdt opns S to YD 507197. 1-3 Bn: Cdt opns SE to YD 514169. 2-3 Bn: Cdt opns S to YD 499135.

e. 1-9 CAV: D Trp cdt opns vic YD 493503.

2. (C) Plans Summary: Combat operations will continue against remnants of the enemy force recently encircled by elements of the FIRST TEAM in the 1st ARVN DIV AO. Other elements will continue normal combat operations in all areas of the JEB STUART III AO without significant change. Two company(-) air assaults are planned in the 1st Brigade AO as is one platoon-size air assault. The cavalry troop conducting operations in the 2d Brigade AO will continue operations and will be withdrawn late in the day. Other elements in the "rice bowl" on WUNDER BEACH and in the vicinity of IZ JANE will continue combat operations in assigned sectors. The battalion-size forces operating on the coastal plain and in the vicinity of CAMP EVANS and QL-1 will continue combat operations in those areas. Elements of the FIRST TEAM and the 3d ARVN Regt operating in Base Area III and surrounding vicinity will continue operations in search of enemy forces and installations.

a. 1st BDE (1-8 CAV, 2-8 CAV, 1-12 CAV): 1-8 CAV: A & C Cos will cont scty IZs SHARON & PEDRO. B Co will cdt opns vic pres loc; 2

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plts will AA to YD 277433, cdt opns, AL to YD 346477. D Co will cont opns vic pres loc; 2 plts will AA to YD 292483, cdt opns, then AL back to YD 322465. 2-8 CAV: A & C Cos will cdt opns SE & E respectively fm pres loc. B Co will cdt opns vic pres loc. D & E(-) Cos will cont scty IZ ANNE. 1-12 CAV: A, B & C Cos will cdt opns vic pres loc in cordon area. D Co will cont scty IZ BETTY. E Co(-) will cdt opns vic pres loc. A 3-5 ARM CAV: (OPCON) will cdt opns vic pres loc.

b. 2d BDE(-): (1-5 CAV, 2-5 CAV, 3-5 ARM CAV): 2-5 CAV: A & B Cos will cdt opns to YD 339408 & YD 420387 respectively. C, D & E(-) Cos will cont scty IZ JANE. 2-5 CAV: A Co will cdt opns S fm pres loc. B Co will AL to IZ HARDCORE. C Co will AL to YD 496444. D & E(-) Cos will cont scty of bridges & road sweep of QL-1. 3-5 ARM CAV: B Trp will cont scty IZ HARDCORE & SKYKING AVE. C Trp will cont scty IZ WUNDER BEACH.

c. 3d BDE: (1-7 CAV, 2-7 CAV, 5-7 CAV, 2-12 CAV): 1-7 CAV: A Co will cdt opns W fm pres loc. B Co will cdt patrols E fm pres loc. C Co will AL to IZ JACK and begin scty opns; 1 plt will remain at IZ LONG. D Co will AL to C Co loc then will cdt opns W. E Co(-) will AL to IZ JACK then will cdt opns SW. 2-7 CAV: A Co will AL to B Co loc then cdt opns vic YD 5548. B Co will AL to IZ JEANNE & assume scty of

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the LZ and vic. C Co will cont scty opns along 555. D Co will cdt opns SE fm pres loc. 5-7 CAV: A, D & E(-) Cos will cdt opns vic pres loc. B Co will cont scty of bridges & road sweep of QL-1. C Co will cont scty of CAMP EVANS; 1 plt will cont scty LZ MEREDITH. 2-12 CAV: A, C & E Cos will cdt opns to YD 475148, YD 475136 & YD 455160 respectively. B Co will cdt opns to YD 467140 then NW. E Co(-) will cont scty LZ MEREDITH.

d. 3d ARVN Regt: (2-1 Bn, 1-3 Bn, 2-3 Bn): 2-1 Bn: Will cdt opns S fm pres loc. 1-3 Bn: Will cdt opns S fm pres loc. 2-3 Bn: Will cdt opns SW fm pres loc.

e. 1-9 CAV: D Trp will cdt opns vic pres loc, then will be withdrawn by organic veh and AL.

3. (C) Today's Losses: Opn JEB STUART III

a. Friendly:

(1) US: 6 KIA, 17 WIA (17 evac), 1 A/G dest (non-hostile)

(2) ARVN: 2 KIA, 4 WIA (4 evac)

b. Enemy:

(1) BY US: 38 KIA, 5 PW, 12 IWC, 8 CSWC, 0 Lc cal rds, 11 mines/gren, 0 SA ammo, 17.65T/0 rice/salt.

(2) BY ARVN: 1 KIA.

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4. (C) Cumulative Losses: Opn JEB STUART III, 171100H to 292400H

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a. Friendly:

(1) US: 46 KIA, 256 WIA(221 evac), 1 MIA, 14 A/C dest.

(2) ARVN: 9 KIA, 77 WIA(57 evac).

b. Enemy:

(1) BY US: 166 KIA, 17 PW, 1 Rtn, 64 IWC, 12 CSWC, 73 Ig cal rds, 110 mines/gren, 3438 SA ammo, 33.875T/0 rice/salt.

(2) BY ARVN: 74 KIA, 0 PW, 85 IWC, 5 CSWC, 815 Ig cal rds, 151 mines/gren, 7200 SA ammo, 2.2T/.15T rice/salt.

5. (C) Fixed Wing TAC Air Support:

a. Nr of sorties: 42

b. Ordnance: 77.8 tons bombs, 10 tons napalm.

6. (C) Bushmaster Opns: 38 ambushes, neg results.

7. (C) Friendly Wpns lost Today: No reported losses.

8. (C) Significant Enemy Contacts:

a. 1st BDE: (1) 0840H, YD 326385, B 2-3 CAV, rec AW fire fm 3-4 bkrs, res 1 US KIA, 1 US WIA(evac). (2) 1215H, C Trp(-) 3-5 ARM GAV, YD 427605, rec SA fire, res 2 US WIA(evac). (3) 1000H, B 1-12 CAV YD 434602, rec SA fire, res 1 US WIA(evac). (4) 1230H, A Trp 3-5 CAV,*Confidential*

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YD 427605, rec SA fire, res 2 US WIA(evac). (5) 1405H, B 2-8 CAV, YD 326386, rec AW fire fm 4-5 bkrs, res 2 US KIA. (6) 1632H, A 1-12 CAV, YD 428603, an indiv threw gren in bkr, when he went to ck area, he was shot fm inside bkr, res 1 US KIA. (7) 1345H, A 1-12 CAV, YD 428602, fd 14 NVA KIA. (8) 142CH, A 1-12 CAV, YD 428603, eng 2 indiv evading to bkr, res 2 NVA KIA. At 1720H, they eng 2 more indiv at same loc in bkr, res 1 NVA KIA. (9) 0115H, B 1-12 CAV, YD 435605, heard mov to their W eng w/SA & arty. At 0351H, rec AW fire en est 6 indivs who attempted to penetrate perimeter, eng, res 2 NVA KIA. (10) 0930H, B 1-12 CAV, vic YD 428603, fd 11 NVA KIA. (11) 0745H, 1st Bde Sects, YD 437610, obs and eng 1 NVA, res 1 NVA KIA. (12) 1155H, C Trp 3-5 ARM CAV, YD 427-605, rec SA fire, res 1 US WIA(evac), 1 NVA KIA by SA. (13) 1600H, A 8th Engrs, YD 427603, eng 3 NVA, res 3 NVA KIA.

b. 2d BDE: (1) 1235H, B 2-5 CAV, YD 506437, rec 6-8 rds SA, eng w/SA, res 1 US WIA(evac). (2) 1937H, B 2-5 CAV, YD 496444, rec 1 B-40 rkt and SA, res 2 US KIA, 4 US WIA(evac). (3) 1315H, B 2-5 CAV, YD 506437, fd 2 NVA KIA in 2 graves.

c. 3d BDE: (1) 0740H, D 5-7 CAV, YD 510339, had 3 US WIA(evac) fm chicom gren BT. (2) 1925H, C 2-7 CAV, YD 575464, rec 2 mtr rds & 1 B-40 rkt, res 2 US WIA(evac).

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d. Other Units: A 1-9 CAV, 0855H, YD 420610, obs 1 NVA, eng

res 1 NVA KIA.

e. ARVN: 0920H, 1-3 ARVN, YD 500100, made contact w/5 VC,
contact broke 0935H, res 2 ARVN KIA, 4 ARVN WIA(evac); 1 VC KIA.

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SUBJECT: PART II SITREP for period 290001H to 292100H, May 68. Nr 150.

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>NAME</u>
CP 1st BDE	BETTY
CP & A 1-8	SHARON
B 1-8	
C 1-8	PEDRO
D 1-8	
CP, D & E(-) 2-8	ANNE
A 2-8	
B 2-8	
C 2-8	
CP 1-12	SHARON
A 1-12	
B 1-12	
C & E(-) 1-12	
D 1-12	BETTY
A 3-5 ARVN CAV	
CP 2d BDE	JANE
CP, C, D & E(-) 1-5	JANE

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G-2 W.O. *[Signature]*

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YD 346477

YD 322465

YD 364394

YD 329388

YD 311375

YD 428607

YD 436606

YD 430610

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1. (U) 1ST AIR CAV DIV INTSUM NR 150
2. (U) 290001-292400 MAY 68.
3. (C) ENEMY ACTIVITY. OPERATION JEB STUART III CONTINUED AS ELEMENTS OF THE FIRST BDE KILLED 36 AND CAPTURED SEVEN ENEMY, BRINGING THE TWO DAY TOTAL FOR THE BATTLE NORTHEAST OF QUANG TRI TO 76 ENEMY KILLED AND ELEVEN ENEMY CAPTURED. NORTH OF THE GRAVEYARD D AND C 2-7 CAVALRY CAPTURED FOURTEEN TONS OF RICE. D 2-7 HAD ONE CONTACT WITH AN ESTIMATED ENEMY SQUAD. NORTH OF THE MY CHANH RIVER AREA D 1-9 CAVALRY CAPTURED MORE THAN TWO TONS OF RICE. IN BASE AREA 114 1-3 ARVN HAD LIGHT CONTACT. THERE WERE TWO INCIDENTS OF GROUND TO AIR FIRING.

A. GROUND ACTIVITY

(1) 1-9 CAV.

(A) A TRP. 0715 HRS YD 433605 ENG W/RKTS & DEST ONE BKR & ONE HUT 12' X 8'. 0855 HRS. YD 420618 ENG W/RKTS & DEST TWO RECENTLY CONSTR BKRS 8' X 10'. 0905 HRS OBS ONE INDIV EVADING, ENG, RES ONE NVA KIA. 1815 HRS YD 439549 OBS FIVE INDIVS BURYING APPROX ONE T RICE, INDIVS EVADED, ACFT ENG & DEST RICE W/FP.

(B) D TRP. 0745 HRS YD 495504 FD INSIDE TEMPLE SEV JARS CONTAINING 2,500 LBS RICE & DOGS (WILL EVAC). 1715 HRS YD 493503 FD IN ROOF OF CHURCH TWO AK-47'S, FOUR IMG'S, ONE HMG, ONE 82MM MORTAR BASE PLATE, & THREE MORTAR SIGHTS (WILL EVAC ON 30 MAY). 1820 HRS FD ONE 500 LB BOMB W/FUSES & EXPL REMOVED (DEST), ALSO FD

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ONE 82MM MORTAR BASE PLATE (WILL EVAC). 1845 HRS FD 600 LBS RICE
 (DEST). 1940 HRS FD ANOTHER CACHE CONTAINING 2000 LBS RICE, WILL
 KEEP CACHE UNDER OBSERVATION UNTIL 30 MAY.

(2) 1ST BDE, 1 ACD.

(A) 1-8 CAV. LZ SHARON BASE DEF (YD 3349). 0100
 HRS N SIDE OF PERIMETER REC FOUR RDS SA FIRE, NEG CAS, DID NOT ENG.
 C CO. 2230 HRS YD 244493 AMB EIE OBS 7-8 INDIVS MOVING N TO S, ENG
 W/SA'S, NEG ASSESS. 2233 HRS OP OBS THREE-FOUR INDIVS WHO APPEARED
 TO BE FOLLOWING AMB EIE, ENG W/NEG ASSESS. D CO. 0600 HRS YD
 432602 PU ONE DTN (CLASS UD).

(B) 2-8 CAV. A CO. 281700 MAY YD 358387 FD ONE NVA
 PACK W/THREE LBS RICE, ONE T SHIRT, ONE PISTOL BELT, ALMO POUCHES,
 FOUR BLOCKS OF EXPLOSIVES, ONE AK-47 MAG, ONE MAP, & TWO 1ST AID
 PACKS (EVAC). 1000 HRS YD 358391 FD THREE LG HUTS W/BKRS INSIDE
 5' X 10' X 4' HIGH, SIGNS OF RECENT USE (ALL DEST), ALSO FD SEVEN
 M-79 RDS, TWO US CLAYMORES, DOCS, & A SMALL AMOUNT OF NVA EQUIP &
 MEDICINE (EVAC). B CO. 0840 HRS YD 326385 REC AW FIRE FM THREE-
 FOUR BKRS, ONE US KIA, ONE US WIA (MEDEVAC), ENG W/NEG ASSESS.
 1405 HRS YD 326386 REC AW FIRE FM FOUR-FIVE BKRS, TWO US KIA, ENG
 BKRS W/ORG WFNS, NEG ASSESS.

(C) 1-12 CAV. A CO. 1345 HRS YD 428602 FD 14 NVA
 KIA, ONE IMG, & ONE 82MM MORTAR BASE PLATE (WPN EVAC). 1420 HRS
 YD 428603 ENG TWO INDIVS WHO EVADED INTO BKR, RES TWO NVA KIA.
 1720 HRS ENG ONE INDIV IN BKR, RES ONE NVA KIA. 1632 HRS ENG EN

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BKR W/GRENADE, ATPT TO CHECK BKR, REC SA FIRE, ONE US KIA. B CO.
0115 HRS YD 435605 HEARD MOVEMENT ON W SIDE OF PSN, ENG & CALLED
IN ARTY. 0351 HRS REC AW FIRE FM EST SIX INDIVS ATPT TO PENETRATE
PERIMETER, ENG W/SA, RES TWO NVA KIA, OTHER INDIV EVADED INTO TREE-
LINE. 0930 HRS FD ELEVEN NVA KIA, CAPT FOUR AK-47'S, ONE SKS, ONE
M-2 CARB, & PU FIVE DTNS (CLASS FIVE NVA PW, SEE THIS INTSUM PARA
8., B.). 1000 HRS YD 434602 REC SA FIRE, ONE US WIA (MEDEVAC),
ENG & CALLED IN ARTY, NEG ASSESS. C CO. 281730 MAY YD 420610 TWO
US KIA, FOUR US WIA (MEDEVAC) FM UNK TYPE BT. 0930 HRS YD 430610
FD ONE AK-47, TWO SKS, ONE B-40 RL, & ONE NVA RADIO (EVAC). 3-5
CAV. A TRP. 1230 HRS YD 427605 REC SA FIRE, TWO US WIA (MEDEVAC),
ENG W/ORG WPNS, NEG ASSESS. C TRP. 1155 HRS REC SA FIRE, ONE US
WIA (MEDEVAC). 1215 HRS REC MORE SA'S FIRE, TWO US WIA (MEDEVAC),
ENG W/ORG WPNS. 1310 HRS FD ONE NVA KIA BY SA'S. 1ST BDE SCTS.
0745 HRS YD 437610 IN SUPT OF 1-12 CAV ACFT OBS ONE INDIV HIDING
IN BKR, ENG W/M-60, RES ONE NVA KIA. 8TH ENGR BN. 1600 HRS IN
Supt OF 1-12 CAV ENG THREE INDIVS INSIDE BKR, RES BKR DEST & THREE
NVA KIA. (NOTE: AN ADDITIONAL 19 INDIVS WERE DETAINED DURING THE
RPT PERIOD; CLASS TWO VC, SIX IC, ELEVEN UD).

(3) 2D BDE, 1 LCD.

(A) 1-5 CAV. A CO. 2029 HRS YD 408397 AMB ELE ENG
FIVE-SIX INDIVS MOVING NNW ALONG TRL, RES FIVE EN POSS KIA.

(B) 2-5 CAV. HHC. 1420 HRS YD 499454 CC ACFT PU
TWO DTNS (CLASS TWO CD). A CO. 1330 HRS YD 494467 PU ONE BAG MED

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SUPPLIES & SOME DOGS (EVAC). B CO. 0130 HRS YD 496444 OBS 12-14
RR RDS IMPACT 500M S OF FOB, CALLED IN ARTY ON FOSS EN LOCS W/NEG
ASSESS. 1320 HRS YD 506437 FD TWO NVA KIA BY IRA (BC). 1937 HRS
YD 496444 REC ONE B-40 RKT & SA'S FIRE FM UNK SIZE EN FORCE LOC
VIC YD 493443, TWO US KIA, FOUR US WIA (MEDEVAC), ENG W/CRG WPNS
& CALLED IN ARTY ON YD 496439 W/NEG ASSESS. C CO. 1130 HRS YD
460501 PU 14 DTMS (CLASS 14 IC). 1515 HRS YD 452488 PU TEN DTMS
(CLASS 10 IC).

(C) 3-5 CAV. B TRP. 0808 HRS YD 474537 FD ONE PRESS
DET MINE HIDDEN UNDER PIPELINE, MINE CONSISTED OF 20 LBS PLASTIC,
DEST, NEG MARKINGS FD IN AREA.

(4) 3D BDE, 1 ACD.

(A) 1-7 CAV. D CO. 0825 HRS YD 569217 FD FT PRTS
HEADING W, ALSO 100M TO THE W, FD THREE WELL-BUILT BKRS W/CAMOUFL-
AGE & OH COVER (DEST). 2310 HRS LZ LONG (YD 5721), DETECTED POSS
MOVEMENT NEAR LZ, ENG W/GRENADES, NEG ASSESS.

(B) 2-7 CAV. B CO. 0935 HRS YD 546489 PU THREE DTMS
(CLASS ONE NVA PW, ONE VC PW, ONE GD), ALSO PU ONE CHICOM CARB (EVAC).
1330 HRS YD 552498 FD TOTAL OF 12 CACHES CONTAINING 8000 LBS RICE
(WILL EVAC TO HUONG DIEN (D) 30 MAY). C CO. 1304 HRS YD 575464
FD CACHE CONTAINING 20000 LBS RICE (6000 LBS EVAC TO HUONG DIEN
(D), REST WILL BE EVAC 30 MAY). 1925 HRS YD 575464 REC TWO 60MM
MORTAR RDS FM 800M TO W, ALSO REC ONE UNK TYPE RD, POSS RIFLE
GRENADE, TWO US WIA (NOT MEDEVAC), ENG & CALLED IN ARTY W/NEG ASSESS.

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D CO. 1200 HRS YD 542477 REC SA & AW FIRE FM EST EN SQD TO SE,
ONE US WIA (MEDEVAC), ENG & CALLED IN ARTY, ARTY REC ONE SEC EXPL,
NEG FURTHER ASSESS. 1230 HRS YD 547475 PU THREE DTNS (CLASS ONE
CD, TWO IC).

(C) 5-7 CAV. D CO. 0740 HRS YD 510339 THREE US
WIA (MEDEVAC) FM BT CHICOM GRENADE W/TRIP WIRE, FD POSS FRESH BAM-
BOO ACROSS ROAD. 0905 HRS YD 500335 FD SIX SPIDER HOLES & TWO
BKRS 2' X 4' X 3' DP (DEST). 1002 HRS YD 504334 FD TWO BKRS 2' X
4' X 3' DP, A SMALL AMOUNT OF RICE, SOME COOKING UTENSILS, & A
BLASTING CAP & PULL FIRING DEVICE FM BT (ALL DEST).

(D) 2-12 CAV. C CO. 1501 HRS YD 580146 FD 30-40
BKRS (DEST). D CO. 1120 HRS YD 449150 FD WELL CAMOUFLAGED L-
SHAPED TRENCH W/TRL RUNNING TO S&E.

(5) 3 REGT, 1ST ARVN DIV.

1-3 ARVN. 0920 HRS YD 500180 REC FIRE FM EST FIVE EN,
TWO ARVN KIA, FOUR ARVN WIA (MEDEVAC), ENG, RES ONE NVA KIA.

D. AIR ACTIVITY

(1) GROUND TO AIR

DTG	COORD	ALT	UNIT	ACFT	REMARKS
281750	YD 546203	20'	A 227	UH1H	AW, HIT, NPLY
291030	YD 329388	50'	15TH MED	UH1H	AW, 10 HITS, NPLY
1900	YD 535535	50'	B 229	UH1H	AW, NEG HITS

(2) VISUAL SIGHTINGS. YD 572319 COMMO WIRE RUNNING BETWEEN
TWO POLES TOWARD RAILROAD TRACKS. YD 467162 SMALL TRL RUNNING N TO
S. YD 463154 WELL USED TRL RUNNING NE TO SW.

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4. (C) ENEMY LOSSES: OPERATION JEB STUART III

A. US

(1) KIA: VC 0, NVA 38 (TOTAL 11/155 KIA'S)

(2) POSS KIA: 5

(3) PW'S & RETURNEES:

(A) PWS FOR PERIOD: VCC 2, NVAC 3

(B) RETURNEES FOR PERIOD: VCC 0, NVAC 0

(C) CUMULATIVE PWS FOR OPN: VCC 11, NVA 6

(D) CUMULATIVE RETURNEES FOR OPN: VCC 1, NVA 0

(4) DETAINEES:

(A) TOTAL FOR PERIOD: 15

(B) DISPOSITION FOR PERIOD: PW 5, CIVIL DEFENDANT 8,

INNOCENT CIVILIAN 2, DOUBTFUL 0, RETURNEE 0, NOT YET CLASS 0

(C) CUMULATIVE DETAINEES FOR OPN: 108

(D) CUMULATIVE DISPOSITION OF DETAINEES FOR OPN:

PW 17, CIVIL DEFENDANTS 30, INNOCENT CIVILIANS 59, DOUBTFUL 0,

RETURNEES 1, NOT YET CLASS 0

B. GVN: 0

C. PWMAF: 0

D. NR OF CAPTIVES INTERROGATED: 5

E. NR OF RETURNEES INTERROGATED: 0

F. NR OF HARD COPY PIRS PUBLISHED: 0

G. NR OF BROADCASTERS PIRS: 5, AVG TIME 24 HRS

H. ENEMY WPNS CAPTURED OR DESTROYED: 12 INDIV WPNS, 8 C/S

WPNS (TOTAL 64/12 WPNS), 11 MINES/GRENADES, 17.65 T RICE. KNOWN

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WPNS SN'S: AK-47 (9468776, 10045362, 10032068, 11083691, 322T),
SKS (13635), M-2 CARB (10093231), SKS (0232314, 64850), RPG (926-
516).

5. (C) OBSTACLES & BARRIERS

A. ROADS. NO CHANGE.

B. MINES.

B 5-7 CAV. 0725 HRS YD 467387 IN SUPT OF MINES: REEP TM FD
ONE MINE W/15 LBS TNT & BAMBOO PRESS TYPE ELECTRICAL FIRING DEVICE
(DEST), NEG MARKERS FD IN AREA.

8. (C) ENEMY MOVEMENT, LOCATION & IDENTITY

A. DOCUMENT R/O

THREE VC MAPS PU BY C 2-12 CAV, YD 483166, 271415 MAY 68.
ONE SHEET IS OF LAOS - NVA BORDER AREA WITH NO NOTATIONS ON IT.
THE OTHER TWO MAPS ARE ADJACENT SHEETS OF THE S PORTION OF OUR AO.
(YD 4144 TO 6644 TO 4108 TO 6608). THESE MAPS HAVE NOTATIONS WHICH
APPEAR TO BE LOCATIONS OF FRIENDLY (US OR ARVN) INSTALLATIONS. ON
THE REVERSE OF ONE SHEET IS LISTED: PHO TRACH (PHONG DIEN (D) HQ),
BONG BONG (CAMP EVANS), MY CHANH BRIDGE AND AN LC.

B. DETAINEE STATEMENTS

(1) ONE DETAINEE CLASS CD, PU BY B 2-5 CAV, YD 503457, 29
MAY 68, STATED THAT VC HAVE COLLECTED RICE FM THE PEOPLE OF VINH
AN (H) (YD 5045) IN AUG 67 & APR 68, FIVE CINS EA TIME FM EA
FAMILY. THE PEOPLE HAVE BEEN TOLD THE NEXT COLLECTION WILL BE IN
AUG 68.

(2) NVA & VC PW'S CAPT BY ELE OF 1-12 CAV, 29 MAY, VIC

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YD 4360. PRELIMINARY INTERROGATION INDIC THAT THE K5 BN W/BN CF
& ONE CO FM THE K-4 BN, 812 REGT WERE ENG W/FDLY ELES AT (FOG).
EST COMBINED EN STRENGTH OF 220 MEN. MSN OF K-5 BN: GATHERING &
SECURING RICE VIC (FOG) & HAI VINH (H) (YD 420526). ELE OF K-4
BN APPEARED TO BE ON MSN OF OBTAINING RICE FOR K-4 BN IN BASE AREA
101. BOTH UNITS HAVE BEEN IN GIA DINH (H) FOR APPROX THREE DAYS.
PW'S STATE THAT THE K-8 & K-14 BN'S HAVE PASSED THRU THE AREA W/I
LAST 30 DAYS.

10. (U) WEATHER. FORECAST FOR JEB STUART III AO. 2400-1000H.
10000' SCATTERED, 30000' BROKEN, VIS 6 MI, WINDS LT & VARIABLE,
PATCHY VERY LT FOG IN VALLEYS W/SUNRISE. 1000-1800H. 3000'
SCATTERED, 10000' SCATTERED, 30000' BROKEN, VIS 6 MI, WINDS VARIABLE
8K, FEW THUNDERSTORMS/TN SH AFTER 1430 H. TEMP MAX 98°, MIN 75°,
MDL 3600'.

11. (U) NO CHANGE.

12. (U) NO CHANGE.

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SUBJECT: PART I SITREP for period 300001H to 302400H May 68, Mr 151.

1. (C) Operations Summary: The effectiveness of the FIRST TEAM'S rice denial plan became more evident in the last two days as friendly elements operating in the 1 ACD AO discovered over 230 tons of hidden rice. The discovery was initiated by Popular Force elements conducting operations in the 2d Brigade AO, and additional rice was uncovered by SKYTROOPERS working in cooperation with the PF. In the same area the SKYTROOPERS also confiscated approximately 20,000 piasters in enemy funds. In the 1st ARVN DIV AO, the results of the last three days' contact has risen to 106 enemy killed. The battalion (+) force operating in that area continued withdrawal today with the air assault of two companies back into the 1st Brigade AO in western Base Area 101. Elsewhere within DA 101 one battalion continued normal combat operations, and other 1st Brigade elements conducted two company-size air assaults north of the base area. A battalion-size force continued to secure LZs BETTY, SHARON & PENE and conducted combat operations in the vicinity. In the 2d Brigade area the brigade(-) continued operations to secure the rice harvest and the surrounding area. Along the coast a battalion-size force of the 3d Brigade continued operations along Route 555 and in the vicinity of LZ JEMNE, while one battalion

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continued operations to secure CAMP EVANS - QL-1 and vicinity. South of CAMP EVANS a battalion continued operations in the Piedmont hills region and in the vicinity of northern Base Area 114. Farther to the south in BA 114, a battalion continued similar operations in the vicinity of LZ MEREDITH and in the southern-most portion of the base area. The 3d ARVN Regt, operating in eastern BA 114 and in the area to the southeast, also continued combat operations without significant contact.

a. 1st BDE: (1-8 CAV, 2-8 CAV, 1-12 CAV): 1-8 CAV: A & C Cos cont scty LZs SHARON & PEDRO respectively. B Co AL fm YD 346477 to YD 277442; cdt opns vic then AL to YD 353463; cdt opns to YD 353461. D Co cdt opns N to YD 323487, then rtn to YD 323472. 2-8 CAV: A Co cdt opns vic YD 360394. B Co cdt opns NE fm YD 329388 to YD 341397 & rtn. C Co cdt opns E fm YD 314375 to YD 325376. D & E(-) Cos cont scty LZ ANNE. 1-12 CAV: A Co cdt opns SE fm YD 428607 to YD 432608. B Co cdt opns vic YD 432608. C Co AL fm YD 430610 to YD 254396 then cdt opns to YD 256396. D Co cont scty LZ BETTY. E Co(-) AL fm YD 430610 to YD 254396. A 3-5 ARM CAV: Cdt opns E fm YD 428605 to YD 432608.

b. 2d BDE(-): (1-5 CAV, 2-5 CAV, 3-5 ARM CAV): 1-5 CAV: A Co cdt opns NW fm YD 402399 to YD 391408. B Co cdt opns NW fm YD 435357 to YD 428389. C, D & F(-) Cos cont scty LZ JANE. 2-5 CAV: A Co cdt opns vic YD 493468. B Co AL fm YD 496444 to LZ HARGORE. C Co AL fm

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LZ HARDGORE to YD 496444 then cdt opns HE to YD 506450. B Co cont
scty HAI LANG, bridges & road sweep of QL-1. E Co(-) cont bridge scty
at YD 437433. 3-5 ARM CAV: A Trp OPGON 1-12 CAV. B Trp cont scty IZ
HARDGORE & SKYKING AVE. C Trp cont scty IZ HUNTER BEACT. 2-12 CAV:
OPGON to 3d Bde.

c. 3d BDE: (1-7 CAV, 2-7 CAV, 5-7 CAV, 2-12 CAV): 1-7 CAV: A
Co cdt opns vic YD 547203. B Co cdt opns W to YD 405440, then rtn to
IZ STELLIA. C Co AL fm YD 555215 to IZ JACK & assumed scty of IZ; 1
plt remained at IZ LONG. D Co AL to IZ HELEN then cdt opns E to YD
545213; 1 plt remained at IZ HELEN & assumed scty. E Co(-) AL to IZ
JACK then cdt opns W to YD 472295. 2-7 CAV: A Co AL fm IZ JEANNE to
YD 552488, then cdt opns to YD 555448. B Co AL fm YD 552488 to IZ
JEANNE & assumed scty of IZ. C Co cdt opns vic YD 575441. E Co cdt
opns E fm YD 537479 to YD 557472. 5-7 CAV: A, D & E(-) Cos cdt opns
vic YD 574298, YD 502308 & YD 549282 respectively. F Co cdt opns vic
YD 497361 & cont scty of bridges & road sweep of QL-1. G Co(-) cont
scty CAMP EVANS; 1 plt cont scty IZ MEREDITH, cont scty road sweep of
QL-1. 2-12 CAV: A Co AL to IZ MEREDITH fm YD 400153 & assumed scty. B
Co cdt opns SE fm YD 469150 to YD 471137. C Co cdt opns S fm YD 402-
143 to YD 481138. D Co cdt opns SE fm YD 456148 to YD 461140 then W
to YD 454143. E Co(-) cont scty IZ MEREDITH.

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d. 1-9 CAV: C Trp Inf plt inserted at YD 472503, cdt opns vic of LZ, then was extracted. D Trp cdt opns NW fm YD 493503 to YD 477-523.

e. 3d ARVN Regt: (2-1 Bn, 1-3 Bn, 2-3 Bn): 2-1 Bn: 1st Co cont scty LZ MIGUEL. 2d Co cdt opns N to YD 501206. 1-3 Bn: Cdt opns E to YD 520163. 2-3 Bn: Cdt opns E to YD 507138.

2. (C) Plans Summary: Remaining elements (2 companies) of the FIRST TEAM in the 1st ARVN DIV AO will be extracted and will air assault back into the AO of the 1st Brigade west of Base Area 114. Another company-size air assault will take place on the western side of the THACH HAI River, and that same element will then air assault back to its original location south of LZ SHARON. Other elements of the 1st Brigade will conduct operations in the vicinity of their present locations. In the 2d Brigade AO, one company-size air assault will take place in northern BA 101, and a platoon-size mini-cav operation is planned in the "rice bowl" area. The ground recon element of the 1st ACD recon squadron operating in this area will be extracted late in the day. Other elements will continue normal operations without significant change. Operations in the 3d Brigade area will also continue without significant change by battalion-size forces operating along the coast, in the vicinity of CAMP EVANS, in the area south of CAMP EVANS and in Base Area 114. Elements of the 3d ARVN Regt will continue

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operations in the vicinity of their present locations. A platoon of infantry of the 1 ACD recon squadron will be inserted into the vicinity of the DA NANG Pass (AT 973933) to recover bodies of individuals missing in a downed aircraft since 2 Feb 68.

a. 1st BDE: (1-8 CAV, 2-8 CAV, 1-12 CAV): 1-8 CAV: A & C Cos will cont scty LZs SHARON & PEDRO respectively. B Co will AA to vic YD 2445, cdt opns NE then AA to YD 353461. D Co will cdt opns vic pres loc. 2-8 CAV: A, B & C Cos will cdt opns SW, S & E respectively fm pres loc. D & E(-) Cos will cont scty LZ ANNE. 1-12 CAV: A & B Cos will AL to YD 256396 & cdt opns N & S respectively. C Co will cdt opns E fm pres loc. D Co will cont scty LZ BETTY. E Co(-) will cdt patrols vic pres loc. A 3-5 ARM CAV: Will rtn OPCON 3-5 & will cdt opns SE to LZ WUNDER BEACH.

b. 2d BDE(-): (1-5 CAV, 2-5 CAV, 3-5 ARM CAV): 1-5 CAV: A & E Cos will AL to LZ JANE & assume scty LZ. C & D Cos will AL & AA respectively to YD 391408 & YD 343446 respectively and cdt opns vic. E Co (-) will cdt local patrols. 2-5 CAV: A Co will cdt opns vic YD 4945. B Co(-) will cont scty LZ HARDCORE; 1 plt will cdt a mini-cav opn. C Co will cdt opns vic YD 4944 & YD 5045 w/RF & PF elements. D Co will cont scty HAI LANG & bridges and road sweep of QL-1. E Co(-) will cont scty of bridge at YD 437433. 3-5 ARM CAV: A Trp will be released OPCON fm 1st Bde. B Trp will cont scty LZ HARDCORE & SKYKING AVE. C Trp will

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cont scty LZ WUNDER BEACH. 2-12 CAV: Will remain OPCON to 3d Bde.

c. 3d BDE: (1-7 CAV, 2-7 CAV, 5-7 CAV, 2-12 CAV): 1-7 CAV: A Co will cdt opns W & SW fm pres loc. B Co will cdt opns W fm LZ STELLA. C Co will cont scty LZ JACK; 1 plt will cont scty LZ LONG. D Co will cdt opns W & SW fm pres loc; 1 plt will cont scty LZ HELEN. E Co (-) will cdt opns S fm pres loc. 2-7 CAV: A Co will cdt opns S fm pres loc. B Co will cont scty LZ JEANNE. C & D Cos will atk NW & SE respectively along Hwy 555. 5-7 CAV: A, D & E(-) Cos will cdt opns vic pres loc. B Co will cont bridge scty & road sweep of QL-1. C Co will cont scty CAMP EVANS and road sweep of QL-1. 2-12 CAV: (OPCON), A Co will cont scty LZ MEREDITH. B, C & D Cos will cdt opns vic pres loc. E Co(-) will AL on order of loc of B Co, C Co of D Co.

d. 1-9 CAV: D Trp will cont opns vic pres loc, will be extracted by C Trp. B Trp Inf Plt will be inserted vic AT 973933 to recover bodies fm 1 ACU A/C missing since 2 Feb 68.

e. 3d ARVN Regt: (2-1 Bn, 1-3 Bn, 2-3 Bn): 2-1 Bn: Will cdt opns SW fm pres loc. 1-3 Bn: Will cdt opns SW to YD 537155. 2-3 Bn: 1st, 2d & 3d Cos will cdt opns to YD 497150, YD 520127 & YD 519134 respectively.

3. (C) Today's Losses: ~~Opn~~ LZ STELLA III

a. Friendly:

(1) US: 2 KIA, 16 WIA (14 evac) (4 WIA non-hostile) 0 A/C

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(2) ARVN: 0 KIA, 0 WIA.

b. Enemy:

(1) By US: 12 KIA, 9 PW, 4 IWC, 1 CSWC, 3 Lg cal rds, 15 mines/gren, 110 SA ammo, 10.4T/0 rice/salt.

(2) By ARVN: 2 mines/grenades.

4. (C) Cumulative Losses: Opn JEB STUART III, 171100H to 302400H
May 68.

a. Friendly:

(1) US: 50 KIA, 277 WIA(240 evac), 1 MIA, 14 A/C lost.

(2) ARVN: 9 KIA, 77 WIA(57 evac).

b. Enemy:

(1) By US: 201 KIA(adj), 26 PW, 1 RTN, 68 IWC, 13 CSWC, 81 Lg cal rds, 125 mines/gren, 3540 SA ammo, 44.275T/0 rice/salt.

(2) By ARVN: 74 KIA, 0 PW, 65 IWC, 5 CSWC, 815 Lg cal rds, 153 mines/gren, 7200 SA ammo, 2.2T/.15T rice/salt.

5. (c) Fixed Wing TAC Air Support:

a. Nr of sorties: 30 :

b. Ordnance: 42 tons bombs, 9.5 tons naplam.

6. (C) Bushmaster Opns: 33 ambushes, see para 8. b. (2)

7. (C) Friendly Wpns lost Today: No reported losses.

8. (C) Significant Enemy Contacts:

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a. 1st BDE: (1) 1355H, A 1-12 CAV, YD 428604, rd 6 NVA KIA in area of yesterday's contact. (2) 0825H, A 2-8 CAV, YD 362393, rec AW fire fm several bkrs, res 1 US WIA(evac). (3) 1820H, YD 364394, A 2-8 CAV, rec 14 rds 82mm mort, res 1 US KIA, 3 US WIA(evac).

b. 2d BDE: (1) 0750H, B 2-5 CAV, YD 453463, 3 US WIA fm sec expl as a result of throwing gren into bkr. (2) LATE RPT; 292145H, B 2-5 CAV, YD 458422, amb ele obs several indivs moving W to E along a trail, eng, res 1 US KIA, 2 NVA KIA.

c. 3d BDE: (1) 0840H, C 2-7 CAV, YD 570465, eng and killed 1 VC sniper. (2) 1120H, D 1-7 CAV, YD 552216, rd 1 NVA KIA, probably by M-79. (3) 1735H, B 2-12 CAV, YD 474135, obs and eng 5 NVA movins towards their psn, res 1 NVA KIA, 2 US WIA(not evac).

d. ARVN: None

e. Other Units: (1) 0445H, D 1-9 CAV, YD 493503, rec 10 rds 60mm mort, res 3 US WIA(evac). (2) 0920H, YD 494504, D 1-9 CAV, an NVA PW led ele to bkr w/a door. When the PW opened door, jumped in, and an explosion followed, res 1 NVA KIA.

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1. (U) 1ST AIR CAV DIV INTSUM-NR 151.
2. (U) 300001-302400 MAY 68.
3. (C) ENEMY ACTIVITY. OPERATION JEE STUART III CONTINUED AS REGIONAL AND POPULAR FORCES OF HAI LANG DISTRICT KILLED SEVEN ENEMY AND BEGAN EVACUATION OF 220 TONS OF RICE CAPTURED YESTERDAY IN THE MY CHANH RIVER AREA. IN THE SAME AREA, A 2-5 CAVALRY CAPTURED NINE TONS AND D 1-9 CAVALRY CAPTURED ONE TON OF RICE. IN THE CONTACT AREA, NORTHEAST OF QUANG TRI CITY, A 3-5 CAVALRY AND ELEMENTS OF 1-12 CAVALRY FOUND 29 MORE NVA KILLED FROM YESTERDAY'S CONTACT. THROUGHOUT THE AREA OF OPERATIONS, ONE MINE AND FOUR BOOBY TRAPS WERE FOUND. THERE WERE SEVEN INCIDENTS OF GROUND TO AIR FIRING.

A. GROUND ACTIVITY

(1) 1-9 CAV.

(A) A TRP. 0830 HRS YD 273426 ENG W/RKTS & PART DEST ONE BKR 2' X 4'. 0845 HRS YD 274429 OBS THREE BKRS 4' X 6', ENG W/RKTS, DEST ONE BKR, PART DMG TWO BKRS.

(B) B TRP. 1137 HRS YD 595216 PU ONE DTN (CLASS UD). 1558 HRS YD 476312 ENG & SANK DESERTED SAMPAN.

(C) C TRP. 1530 HRS YD 468526 INF FD 4" DOCS (EVAC).

(D) D TRP. 0445 HRS YD 493503 REC 10 RDS 60MM MORTAR FIRE, THREE US WIA (MEDEVAC), EN LOC UNK. 0745 HRS YD 498496 FD ONE T RICE HIDDEN UNDER FLOOR OF HUT (DEST). 0920 HRS YD 494504 PU ONE DTN WHO ADMITTED HE WAS NVA, PW LED FDLY TRPS TO A BKR W/

DOWNGRADED AT 3 YR INTERVALS
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DOOR, PW OPENED DOOR & JUMPED INTO BKR SETTING OFF GRENADE, RES ONE NVA KIA, CHECKED BKR & FD 2000OP & DOCS (EVAC), ALSO OBS ONE INDIV IN GRN UNIF EVADING, ENG, RES ONE EN POSS KIA. 1110 HRS YD 508496 FD TRAPDOOR IN REAR OF TEMPLE, FD INSIDE 20-30 LBS FILLS & LIQUIDS, ONE US STETHESCOPE, THREE BUNDLES OF SURG GAUZE, & 10" MED DOCS (ALL EVAC).

(2) 1ST BDE, 1 ACD.

(A) 2-8 C.V. A CO. 0825 HRS YD 362393 REC AN FIRE FM SEV BKRS, ONE US WIA (MEDEVAC), ENG & A/S PUT IN, NEG ASSESS. 1300 HRS YD 361395 ENG ONE INDIV EVADING NE ALONG TRL, NEG ASSESS, CHECKED AREA & FD FIVE BKRS & TWO HUTS W/BKRS INSIDE & TWO SMALL STOVES, AREA USED APPROX ONE WK AGO (ALL DEST). 1820 HRS YD 364-394 REC 14 RDS 82MM MORTAR FM SW, ONE US KIA, THREE US WIA (MEDEVAC), ARA ENG SUSP EN LOC W/NEG ASSESS. B CO. 1650 HRS YD 325386 REC SA FIRE FM W, NEG CAS, BDE SCTS ON STATION HAD NEG SIGHTINGS, CALLED IN ARTY W/NEG ASSESS.

(B) 1-12 CAV. A CO. 1355 HRS YD 428609 FD THREE NVA KIA FM PREV DAY'S CONTACT, ALSO FD ONE NVA COMPASS PREV DEST, & SIX RDS 82MM MORTAR (DEST). 1820 HRS YD 435595 REC SA FIRE FM S, NEG CAS, ARA EXPENDED ON SUSP EN LOC W/NEG ASSESS. 1845 HRS YD 435595 OBS FOUR EN E OF REF LOC & FOUR EN TO THE W, DID NOT ENG DUE TO CIVS IN AREA, BDE SCTS CHECKED AREA W/NEG SIGHTINGS. B CO. 1146 HRS YD 435605 FD FOUR CHICOM GRENADES & ONE 750 LB DUD BOMB (DEST). 1630 HRS YD 432607 WHILE CHECKING BKRS IN AREA OF PREV DAY'S CONTACT FD THREE NVA KIA, ONE RPD IMG, FOUR CHICOM

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GRENADES, ONE 60MM MORTAR RD, 50 RDS AK-47 AMMO, MISC MIL GEAR & DOCS (WPN & DOCS EVAC). C CO. 1145 HRS YD 432614 FD BT CONSISTING OF 1/4 LB BLOCK TNT W/TRIP WIRE (DEST), NEG MARKERS FD. 1545 HRS FD TWO MORE TNT BT'S W/TRIP WIRES (DEST), NEG MARKERS FD. 1245 HRS YD 432614 FU ONE DTN (CLASS IC). D CO. 1115 HRS YD 313475 FU SIX DTNS (CLASS SIX IC). 1910 HRS YD 333502 FU ONE DTN CLASS IC).

(3) 2D BDE, 1 AGD.

(A) 1-5 C.V. A CO. 0700 HRS YD 408397 REF INCIDENT INVOLVING AMB ELE AT 292029 MAY AT REF LOC, 1ST LT CHECK FD ONE K-50 SMG, TWO AK-47 MAGS W/60 RDS AMMO, TWO M-26 GRENADES, MISC MIL GEAR, & NUMEROUS BLD TRLS HEADING SE, ALSO FD NINE PAIR HCM SANDALS & FIVE HATS (WPN EVAC). C CO. 0940 HRS YD 392458 FD ON ACCESS ROAD TO LZ JANE, MINE CONSISTING OF 10 LBS TNT W/BOARD & BLASTING CAP DETONATOR, DEST, LEFT CRATER 3 1/2' DP & 5' DIAM. 1403 HRS YD 370438 FD BT 105MM ARTY RD W/TRIP WIRE (DEST), NEG MARKERS FD.

(B) 2-5 C.V. A CO. 1015 HRS YD 493465 FD THREE T UNBAGGED RICE & TWO T BAGGED RICE (WILL EVAC). 1015 HRS YD 494472 FD THREE T BAGGED RICE & ONE T UNBAGGED RICE (WILL EVAC). 1920 HRS YD 493468 FD 800 LBS RICE (WILL EVAC). B CO. 0750 HRS YD 493463 ENG BKR W/GRENADE & REC ONE LG SEC EXPL, THREE US WIA FM SEC EXPL (MEDEVAC). 1500 HRS YD 459516 FU NINE DTNS (CLASS 9 IC). E CO. 292145 MAY YD 458422 AMB ELE OBS SEV INDIVS MOVING W TO E ALONG TRL, ENG, RES TWO NVA KIA, ONE AK-47 CAPT, REC FIRE, ONE US

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(4) 3D BDE, 1 ACD

(A) 1-7 CAV. A CO. 0915 HRS YD 543203 FD TWO BKRS W/OH COVER, ONE PONCHO, & ONE SET OF SANDAL TRACKS HEADING SW, EST TWO WKS OLD, (BKR DEST). 0945 HRS YD 545199 FD FIVE BKRS W/OH COVER & SEV SANDAL TRACKS HEADING W, AREA USED W/I LAST WK (BKRS DEST). 1220 HRS YD 549204 FD & DEST ONE HUT & ONE BKR. 1341 HRS YD 549204 FD BKR & TRENCH COMPLEX, POSS EN CP AREA, ALSO FD BLD STAINED CLOTHING IN AREA (ALL DEST). D CO. 1100 HRS YD 552216 FD ONE NVA KIA (BC) BY M-79 FIRE, SEV DAYS OLD. 1500 HRS YD 547214 FD TRL JUNCTION W/TRLS HEADING W & SW, ALSO FD ONE CAVE & ONE BKR IN AREA.

(B) 2-7 CAV. A CO. 1140 HRS YD 555488 FU TWO DTNS (CLASS TWO IC). G CO. 0840 HRS YD 570465 REC FIRE FM SNIPER, NEG CAS, ENG W/SA, RES ONE EN KIA, ONE SKS CFT (EVA/C).

(C) 5-7 CAV. LZ EVANS BASE DEF (YD 5332). 2159 HRS HEARD MOVEMENT 300M S OF LZ, ENG W/M-79, MOVEMENT CEASED, NEG FURTHER ASSESS. A CO. 0716 HRS YD 555290 FD BT CHICOM GRENADE W/TRIF WIRE (DEST), NEG MARKERS FD. E CO. 2050 HRS YD 549282 OBS IT VIC YD 542289, ENG W/ARTY, NEG ASSESS.

(D) 2-12 CAV. B CO. 1440 HRS YD 472140 FD TRL HEAD-ING SE W/COMMO WIRE ALONG IT, CHECKED TRL TO YD 473140 W/NEG FURTHER FINDINGS. 1735 HRS YD 474135 OBS FIVE INDIVS W/CAMOUFLAGE, ENG, RES ONE NVA KIA, CAPT ONE SKS, & SMALL AMOUNT RICE, REC SA'S FIRE, TWO US WIA (NOT MEDEVAC), OTHER INDIVS EVADED, NEG FURTHER ASSESS.

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(5) 3D REGT, 1ST ARVN DIV.

2-3 ARVN. 1215 HRS YD 507145 FD SEV HUTS & BKRS & OBS
TWO INDIVS EVADING, ENG W/NEG ASSESS (HUTS & BKRS DEST). 1630 HRS
FD 10 HUTS, 10 BKRS, 30 UNIFS, FOUR P/CKS, FOUR GAS MASKS, TWO CANS
AK-47 AMMO, & TWO CHICOM CLAYMORES.

(6) OTHER UNIT ACTIVITY

HAI LANG (D) PF UNIT. 291330 MAY YD 494459 FD 220 T
RICE IN FALSE GRAVES, RICE WAS UNSHELLED & STORED IN 100 KILO
BAGS, EVAC TO HAI LANG (D). 0130 HRS YD 493468 ENG UNK SIZE EN
FORCE, RES SEVEN EN KIA, TWO AK-47 CAPT, SEVEN FDLY MIA.

D. AIR ACTIVITY

(1) GROUND TO AIR

DTG	COORD	ALT	UNIT	ACFT	REMARKS
271720	YD 518397	UNK	A 227	UH1H	UNK, UNK, DEST
301030	YD 492448	600'	C 229	UH1H	AW, NEG HITS
1430	YD 323367	10'	C 1-9	UH1H	SA, NEG HITS
1503	YD 323367	30'	C 1-9	OH6A	SA, NEG HITS
1545	YD 344397	50'	C 1-9	OH6A	AW, 2 HITS, NFLY
1605	YD 468526	5'	C 1-9	UH1H	SA, NEG HITS
1610	YD 476326	30'	B 1-9	OH13	SA, NEG HITS
1945	YD 327488	500'	15TH MED	UH1H	AW, NEG HITS

(2) VISUAL SIGHTINGS. YD 457148 EIGHT BKRS 5' X 4' UNDER
HVY CANOPY. YD 476326 TWO OR MORE FT FRTS HEADING SW ALONG BEACH
THRU HVY BRUSH. YD 455424 ONE EN KIA IN KHAKI UNIF W/FOUCH &
PIPERS IN HAND, EST KIA W/I LAST FEW HRS. YD 469269 WELL USED

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TR1 RUNNING E-W W/NEW TRENCHWORK ALONG TR1. YD 604261 ONE LG ARTY
RD. YD 437184 A/S DEST TWO BKRS & DMG TWO BKRS. YD 565469 A/S
DMG TWO STRUCTURES & DEST TWO BKRS. YD 570420 A/S DEST THREE BKRS
& UNCOV 2CH OF TRENCHLINE.

4. (C) ENEMY LOSSES: OPERATION JEB STUART III

A. US

(1) KIA: VC 1, NVA 11 (TOTAL 12/189 KIA'S)

(2) FOSS KIA: 1

(3) PW'S & RETURNEES:

(A) PWS FOR PERIOD: VCC 1, NVAC 8

(B) RETURNEES FOR PERIOD: VCC 0, NVAC 0

(C) CUMULATIVE PWS FOR OPN: VCC 12, NVA 14

(D) CUMULATIVE RETURNEES FOR OPN: VCC 1, NVA 0

(4) DETAINEES:

(A) TOTAL FOR PERIOD: 13

(B) DISPOSITION FOR PERIOD: FW 9, CIVIL DEFENDANT 0,

INNOCENT CIVILIAN 4, DOUBTFUL 0, RETURNEE 0, NOT YET CLASS 0

(C) CUMULATIVE DETAINEES FOR OPN: 121

(D) CUMULATIVE DISPOSITION OF DETAINEES FOR OPN:

PW 26, CIVIL DEFENDANTS 31, INNOCENT CIVILIANS 63, DOUBTFUL 0,

RETURNEES 1, NOT YET CLASS 0

B. GVN: 0

C. FWMF: 0

D. NR OF CAPTIVES INTERROGATED: 9

E. NR OF RETURNEES INTERROGATED: 0

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F. NR OF HARD COPY FIRS PUBLISHED: 0

G. NR OF ELEC-TRANS FIRS: 8, AVG TIME 24 HRS

H. ENEMY WFNS CAPTURED OR DESTROYED: 4 INDIV WFNS, 1 C/S
WFN (TOTAL 68/13 WPNS), 15 MINES/GREN/DES, 110 SA AMMO, 8 IG CAL
AMMO, 10 ~~4~~ T RICE. KNOWN WFNS SN'S: SKS (9199092, 11346467).

5. (C) OBSTACLES & BARRIERS

A. ROADS. NO CHANGE.

B. MINES. NO CHANGE.

6. (C) ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITY

3-5 CAV. A TRP. 281420 MAY YD 433607 RES OF CONTACT, FD 23
NVA KIA (ADD 23 TO TOTAL NVA KIA FOR OFN).

8. (C) ENEMY MOVEMENT, LOCATION & IDENTITY

A. DOCUMENT R/O

A 1-9 CAV, YD 508496, 30 MAY 68. SEVERAL OF THE DOCS WERE
LISTS OF MEDICAL SUPPLIES. THEY WERE APPARENTLY PERIODIC INVENTORIES
& WERE DTD UP INTO APR & MAY 68. ONE NOTEBOOK MENTIONED HAN THI
TUAN (17) (FEMALE) WAS A MEDIC FOR CB64, DTD JAN 68. A PAPER HEAD-
ED KT81, DTD 26 DEC 67 SHOWED THE CO OF THE HAI LANG (D) HOSP TO BE
HUU HOA. THE HOSP CODE NR IS 15FQ. A PAPER DTD 8 MAR 69 INDICATES
HONG VINH IS A DR OF DISTRICT HOSP CB64. PAPER DTD 28 FEB 68 SIGNED
BY TRAN XUAN TRUONG, CO OF CB63. LAN ANH IS A DR IN CB63. MEDICAL
SUPPLY REQUISITIONS DTD 22 MAR 68 SHOW MEDICAL UNIT MT7. INTRODUCT-
ION PAPER FOR ASF, NGUYEN HUU AI, BINH DINH UNIT, DTD 18 MAR 68.

1 ACD OB GMT: NO INFORMATION CARRIED ON CODES GIVEN, OR ON HOS-
PITALS.

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