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- (c) 1st MarDivO F3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)
- (d) 1st MarDivO F00330.2 (Rules of Engagement)
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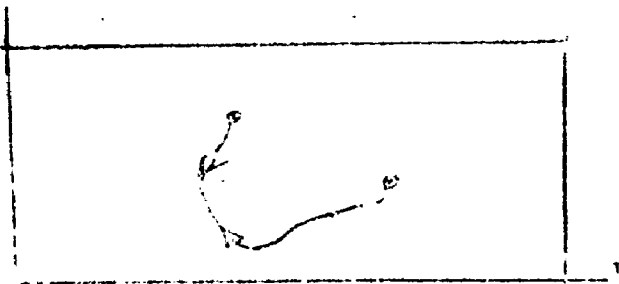
Unit/Call Sign: F-2 (PETRIFY) Patrol Leader: SSGT LONG

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUNS
(b) See current CPSUR'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)
(c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in the upper Song Bu Lu River Valley in the Loc Thuy sector of the northwestern portion of Phu Loc District, Thu Thien Province. Special emphasis to be placed on Highway #1 and routes of access thereto. Be prepared to call and adjust arty, NGF, & air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ PINCH 150700H; insert via ZC177988. Extract at 191330H; via ZC188981. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b)
4. Admin/logistics. Reference(b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 34.0; Alternate: 35.0
artillery: (a) ~~55.2~~ 60.85
NGF: USS NEW (DD-818) in direct support
(a) Call Sign: GASIS
(b) Primary Freq. 47.4 Alternate 46.25
Radio Relay: (a) DONGHUE
(b) HATZUL

SCREEN TEST

- Distribution: C-2 (1)
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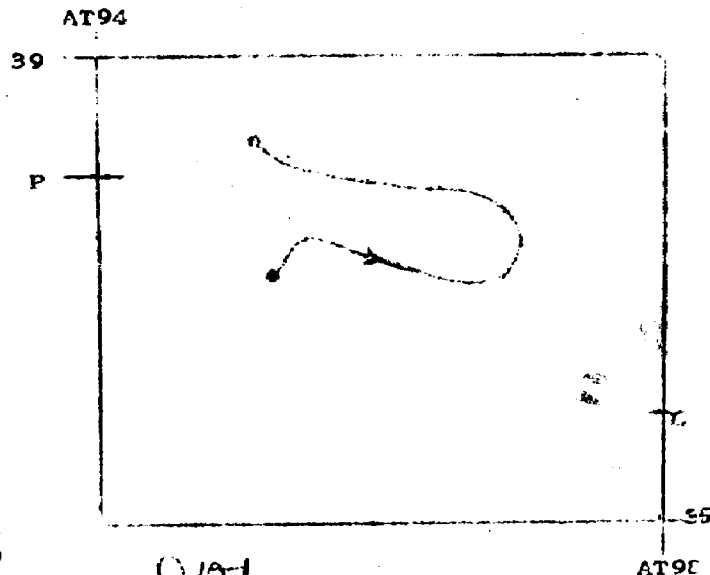
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Unit/Call Sign: F-2 (HONG KONG) Patrol Leader: SSGT LONG

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)
 (c) Attachments: NONE
2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FPZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in Quan Duc Duc Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust artv/air on targets of opportunity.
3. Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 140730H; insert vic. AT953372. Extract at 180930H; vic. AT951383. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 36.4; Alternate 37.9
 Artillery: (a) CARNIVAL TIME "A" 60.80
 (b) BIRDNEST SO P "A" 60.80
 (c) ARNICA ECHO 44.45
 (d) PATAL THOR 47.1
 Radio Relay: (a) BEACON LIGHT ZULU
 (b) KILLER KANE
 (c) BEACON LIGHT WHISKY

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 CO, 1st Force (1)
 PltLdr, F-2 (1)

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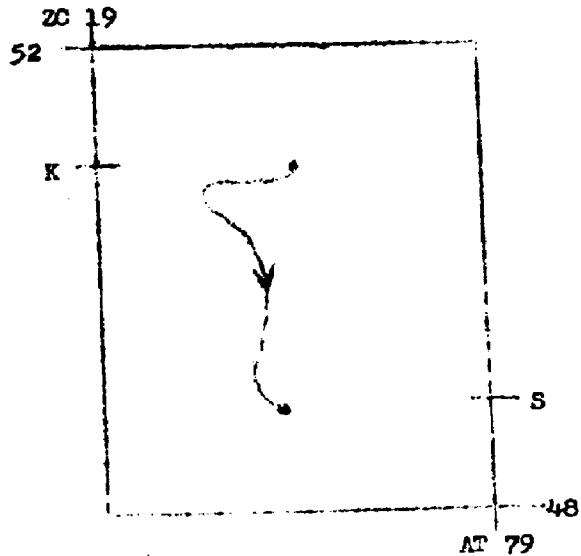
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Unit/Call Sign: F-2 (HONG KONG) Patrol leader: BCGT LONG

- Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S
 (b) See current OPSUM'S and PIR'S (S-2/S-3)
 (c) Attachments: NONE
- Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned NFZ/FFZ to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in Quan Duc Duc Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity.
- Execution. Depart LZ FINCH 130730H; insert via. ZC206509. Extract at 170930H; via. ZC203488. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b).
- Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.
- Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq. 36.4; Alternate 37.9
 Artillery: (a) CARNIVAL TIME "A" 60.80
 (b) BIRDNEST SOUP "A" 60.80
 (c) ARNICA ECHO 44.45
 (d) AVERAGE INDIA 36.15
 (e) CORKLEG KILO 37.15
 Radio Relay: (a) BEEJON LEGEE ZULU
 (b) KILLER KANE

- Distribution: G-2 (1)
 G-3 (2)
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OPERATION ORDER: 563-67
PATROL: F-2-1 PETRIFY
DEBRIEFER: CAPT. R.C. KICKLIGHTER
MAPS: VIETNAM 1:50,000; AMS L7014;
SHEET 6541 I, 6541 II, 6641 III,
6641 IV.

1st RECONNAISSANCE BN.
DA NANG, RVN
DTG 191500H OCT.67

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION, AND EQUIPMENT:

- A. COMPOSITION: 1 OFF. 16 ENL.
- B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
- C. COMM. AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2ERC-25'S; IM-49 SCOPE; 1 7x50'S;
- D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: CLIMBING SPIKES;

2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED NFZ/FFZ TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN THE UPPER SONG BU LU RIVER VALLEY IN THE LOC THUY SECTOR OF THE NORTH-WESTERN PORTION OF PHU LOC DISTRICT, THU THIEN PROVINCE. SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO BE PLACED ON HIGHWAY #1 AND ROUTES OF ACCESS THERETO. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY, NGF, AND AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 150745H/191445H.

4. ROUTE: SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY

5. SYNOPSIS: PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 113 HRS. WITH A CONTACT OF AN UNDER-ESTIMATED NUMBER OF ENEMY. THE PATROL COMMENCING ABOUT 1600 ON THE SECOND DAY HAD ALMOST CONTINUOUS CONTACT WITH THE ENEMY. THE PATROL SUSTAINED 2 FRIENDLY KIA'S AND 3 SERIOUS WIA'S. A BALD EAGLE WAS LAUNCHED FROM 2/7 TO REINFORCE TEAM THE FOURTH DAY. THE REACTIONARY FORCE ALSO HAD MUCH CONTACT BEFORE THE PATROL WAS EXTRACTED. THE INITIAL REACTIONARY FORCE WAS LINKED UP WITH ANOTHER REACTIONARY FORCE IN ORDERED TO BE EXTRACTED.

6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:

A. ENEMY: ALL THE ENEMY THAT WAS SPOTTED WERE DRESSED IN KHAKIS OR IN A MIXED UNIFORM WITH AUTOMATIC AND SEMI AUTOMATIC WEAPONS. WEB GEAR WAS NOT DETECTED. IT WAS QUITE EVIDENT THAT THESE WERE WELL TRAINED PROFESSIONAL SOLDIERS AND NOT VC. THEY WERE ALL LARGER IN SIZE THEN THE AVERAGE VIETNAMESE.

B. TERRAIN: THICK SECONDARY GROWTH CONSISTING MOSTLY OF BAMBOO AND VINES. NO CANOPY. MOVEMENT WAS DIFFICULT.

7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT LZ ZC177988, "UH-34 BIRD ZONE. EXTRACT ZONE ZC175005, MULTIPLE BIRD ZONE VERY GOOD. AT COORDINATES ZC173977, IS A POSSIBLE ONE UH-34 BIRD ZONE BUT 4-5 TREES WOULD HAVE TO BE BLOWN. AN OP SITE WAS ESTABLISHED AT ZC174987, BUT IT WAS NOT VERY GOOD. TRAILS WERE PREVALENT OVER THE ENTIRE AREA. THEY ALL SEEMED TO BE WELL USED. ALSO CLEAR OUT LANES WERE EVIDENT ALL OVER THE AREA LOOKED LIKE THEY WERE CLEARED FIELDS OF FIRE. COMM WAS BAD DUE TO ENEMY INTERFERENCE.

8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: PATROL WAS BELIEVED TO HAVE MADE CONTACT WITH A LARGE ENEMY FORCE. THE PATROL LEADER DETERMINED DURING THEIR LENGTHY ENCOUNTER WITH THE ENEMY THAT THE PATROL INFLECTED 20 KIA'S. CONF. ON THE ENEMY AND HE HAS NO WAY OF DETERMINING HOW MANY PROB. KIA'S RES.

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9. CONDITION OF PATROL: THERE WERE 2 FRIENDLY KIA'S AND 3 WIA SERIOUS, HOWEVER EVERY MAN IN THE PATROL RECEIVED SHRAPNEL.
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: FAIR; GUNS DID NOT SEEM TO BE REGISTERED. WEATHER HAMPERED SATISFACTORY USE OF AIR SUPPORT.
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE
13. PATROL MEMBERS:

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PATROL ROUTE OVERLAY

