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OPERATION ORDER #880-68

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1st Reconnaissance Battalion (Roin)  
DA NANG, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM  
251000H Oct 1968

Ref: (a) Map(s), VIETNAM, Sheet(s) 6641 III  
(b) BnO P03000.4  
(c) 1stMarDivO P3800.1F (Intelligence SOP)  
(d) 1stMarDivO P003330.2 (Rules of Engagement)  
(e) BnWarningOrder #880-68

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Call Sign: (SCREEN TEST)

1. Situation. (a) See current INTSUM'S  
(b) See current OPSUM'S and FIR'S  
(c) Attachments: NONE

2. Mission. Conduct reconnaissance and surveillance operations within your assigned Haven to detect possible VC troop movement or arms infiltration in Elephant Valley. Be prepared to call and adjust arty/air on targets of opportunity. See ref (a), (c) and (d).

3. Execution. Depart LZ 401 on 27 Oct; insert within Haven (UL AT8191; LR AT8386). Extract on 31 Oct within same Haven. Coordinating instructions are contained in reference (b) and (c).

4. Admin/Logistics. Reference (b), and verbal.

5. Comm/Electronics. Primary Freq: 33.50; Alternate: 33.10  
Artillery: (a) ALL FM WILL GO THROUGH DESK  
WORK 46.80

Radio Relay: BENCH MARK X-RAY

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By direction

Distribution:

CO, 11thMar (5)  
CO, 26thMar (1)  
CO, 1st Bn 26thMar (1)  
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Recon S-3 (4)  
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OPNAVINST 5500.40 B-186

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Operation Order: 880-68  
Patrol: Screen Test Force  
Debriefing: Sgt. J.M. STIPANOVICH  
Maps: Vietnam 1:50,000; ~~AMS~~ L7014;  
Sheet 6641III

1st Reconnaissance Bn.  
Da Nang, RVN  
311300H Oct 68

PATROL REPORT

1. SIZE, COMPOSITION AND EQUIPMENT:
  - A. COMPOSITION: 9 ENL, 1 USN
  - B. SPECIAL ATTACHMENTS: NONE
  - C. COMM AND OBSERVATION EQUIPMENT: 2 PRC-25, 1 7x50
  - D. SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: 1 M14, 1 M79, 6 FLESHETTE M79 ROUNDS, 3 CLAYMORES
2. MISSION: CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS WITHIN YOUR ASSIGNED HAVEN TO DETECT POSSIBLE VC TROOP MOVEMENT OR ARMS INFILTRATION IN ELEPHANT VALLEY. BE PREPARED TO CALL AND ADJUST ARTY/AIR ON TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY.
3. TIME OF DEPARTURE AND RETURN: 270900H/311000H
4. ROUTE: (SEE ATTACHED OVERLAY)
5. SYNOPSIS: THIS PATROL COVERED A PERIOD OF 97 HOURS WITH NEGATIVE SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS. NO SUPPORTING ARMS WERE USED.
6. OBSERVATION OF ENEMY AND TERRAIN:
  - A. ENEMY: NONE
  - B. TERRAIN: THE AREA IS STEEP. THE CANOPY IS SCATTERED AND UP TO 30' HIGH WITH THICK VINES AND SHRUBS UP TO 6' HIGH. MOVEMENT IS MODERATELY DIFFICULT. WATER IS PLENTIFUL.
7. OTHER INFORMATION: INSERT AND EXTRACT LZ IS A GOOD MULTIL-46 ZONE OF 10' HIGH ELEPHANT GRASS VIC. AT825877. THE TRAIL VIC. AT821885 RUNS NORTH TO SOUTH, IS 1' WIDE AND WELL USED.
8. RESULTS OF ENCOUNTERS WITH THE ENEMY: N/A
9. CONDITION OF PATROL: GOOD
10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NONE
11. EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPORTING ARMS: N/A
12. COMMENTS BY DEBRIEFER: NONE

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SGT. THOMPSON  
SCREEN TEST  
PATROL LEADER

13. PATROL MEMBERS:

SGT. THOMPSON	2161829
CPL. MCGUIRE	2078294
PFC. GREENE	2406476
CPL. MURPHY	2237654
PFC. MARR	2328425
PFC. BOWMAN	2463097
PFC. THURMAN	2400650
PFC. FLEMING	2293031
PFC. GRANT	2431975
HM3 TRAINO	B132132

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PATROL OVERLAY

