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1st Bn 12th Inf  
4th Div  
APO SF 96262

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Reference: Map RVN; 1:50,000; Series L7014

Task Organization:

- A Company 1st Bn 12th Inf  
Squad engineers  
Scout dog
- C Company 1st Bn 12th Inf  
~~squad engineers~~  
scout dog
- B Company 1st Bn 12th Inf, SQD ENG
- D Company 1st Bn 12th Inf
- Battalion Control  
Platoon engineers(-)  
B-4/42 Arty (DS)

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1. (C) Situation:
  - A. Enemy Forces: Intelligence estimated as briefed
  - B. Friendly Forces:
    - (1) Effective 5 May 70, 2nd Bde conducts Search and Destroy operations in Base Area 702; with 3 battalions to locate and destroy enemy installations and forces.
    - (2) The 22nd ARVN Div conducts Search and Destroy operations with six battalions in southern portion of Base Area 702; during the period 5-12 May 70.
  - C. Attachments and Detachments: See Task Organization.
2. (C) Mission: 1st Bn, 12th Inf conducts overland move from CAMP RADCLIFF to FSB MERIDETH, in preparation for future operation, and conducts CA into Base Area 702.
3. (C) Execution:
  - A. Concept of Operation: See Operations Overlay. 1st Bn 12th Inf conducts overland move to FSB MERIDITH, on 5 May 70, and conducts CA into Base Area 702 from LZ MERIDITH on 6 May 70. Initial CA will involve Co's A and C, (plus 2 81mm mortars tube from A Co); Recon Platoon and TAC CP followed by 4.2" Mortars; Co's B, D and CP(-). The battalion will close into preselected FSB area and conduct Search and Destroy operations in assigned AO, (objective WHITE), and on order continue assault to objective GOLD. (B Co will carry 2 81mm mortar tubes.
  - B. Co A - advance guard company; leads battalion convoy to LZ MERIDITH, prepares to deploy enroute. Upon arrival at LZ MERIDITH, be prepared to CA to objective WHITE. Take two tubes of 81mm mortars during CA.
  - C. Recon platoon - follow Co A enroute to LZ MERIDITH, be prepared to deploy enroute. Upon arrival at LZ MERIDITH, be prepared to CA to objective WHITE, on first lift.
  - D. 4.2" Mortar Platoon - follow Recon Platoon enroute. Be prepared to deploy enroute. Upon arrival at LZ MERIDITH, be prepared to CA to objective WHITE on second lift.
  - E. Co B - follow 4.2" Mortar Plat enroute. Be prepared to deploy enroute. Upon arrival at LZ MERIDITH, be prepared to CA to objective WHITE on second lift. Will carry two 81mm tubes.
  - F. Co C - follow Co B enroute. Be prepared to deploy enroute. Upon arrival at LZ MERIDITH, be prepared to CA to objective WHITE on second lift.
  - G. Btry B, 4/42 Artillery - follow Co C enroute. Be prepared to deploy enroute. Upon arrival at LZ MERIDITH, be prepared to move on second lift to objective WHITE.
  - H. Mini-trains and MHC(-), Co E(-), follow Btry B, 4/42nd Arty. Upon arrival at LZ MERIDITH, be prepared to support forward units. Trains(-) be prepared to move to LZ MERIDITH on order.
  - I. Co D - follow mini-trains enroute. Be prepared to deploy enroute.

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Perform rear guard mission. Upon arrival at MERIDETH, be prepared to CA to objective WHITE on second day.

## I. Coordinating Instructions:

- (1) Line-up Area - See Annex A
- (2) Two .50 Cal MG's will accompany troops
- (3) Co's A and B will carry two 81mm mortar tubes each.
- (4) Route - See Annex B.
- (5) Formation: Open Column - 100 meters between vehicles, three minutes between march units.
- (6) March Table - See Annex C
- (7) Engineer support and scout dogs will join unit at line-up area.
- (8) Medical Platoon provide two aid-men for TAC-CP.

## 4. (C) Administration and Logistics:

- A. Each individual carry 12 meals Class I, basic load of Class V.
- B. Each individual of the Rifle Companies carry two rounds of 81mm mortar ammunition.
- C. Each rifle platoon carry 10 LAWs.
- D. Each individual carry 25 sand bags.
- E. Vehicle Allocation - See Annex C

## 5. Command and Signal:

- A. Command: Cnd element follow 4.2" mortar plat initially. Then at TOC LZ MERIDETH. Convoy Commander - Bn S-3.
- B. Communications:
  - (1) Current SOI, SSI in effect. March units maintain communications with convoy commander enroute.
  - (2) Commo plat provide for normal combat operations communications.

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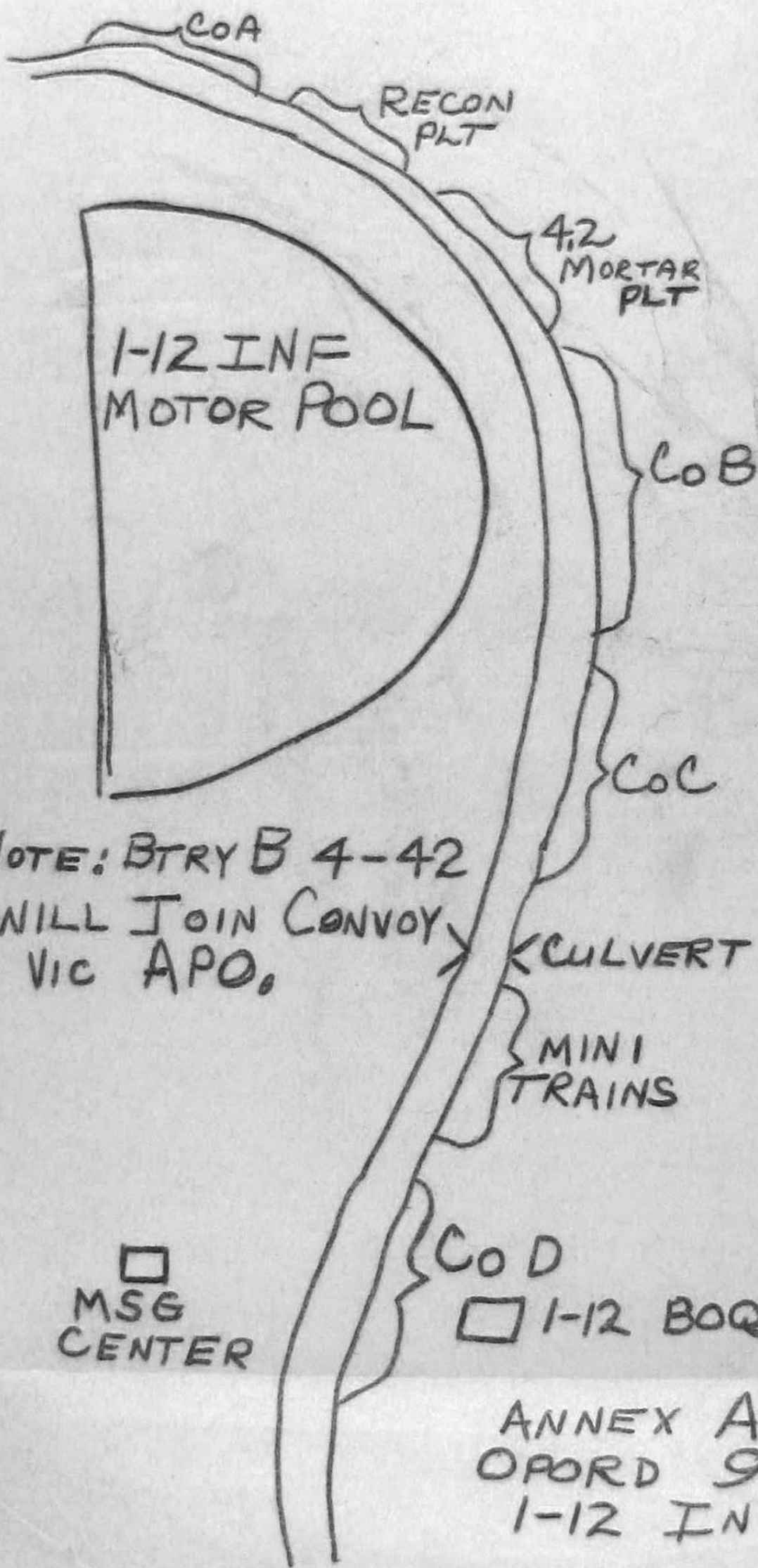
## ANNEXES:

- A - Line-up Area
- B - Route
- C - March Table
- D - Operations Overlay

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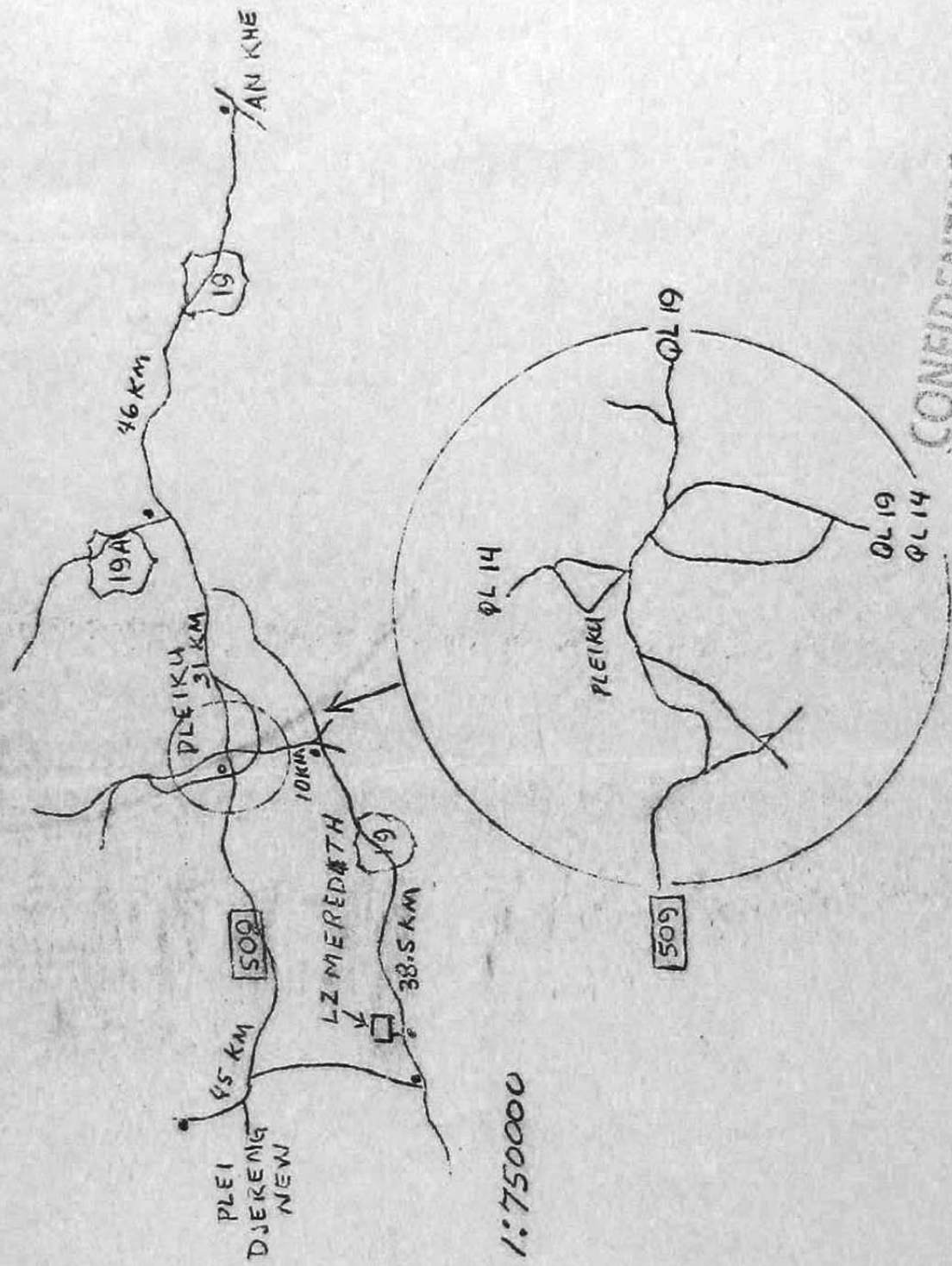
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ANNEX C (MARCH TABLE)  
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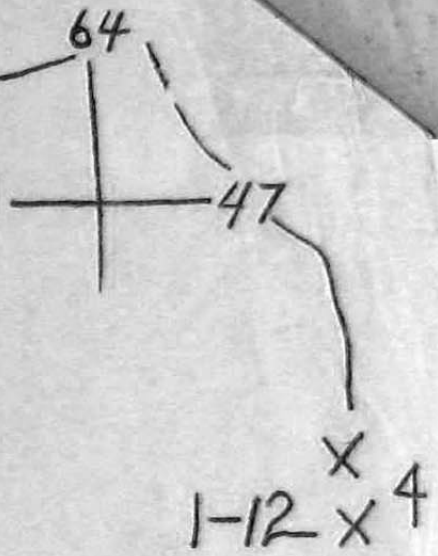
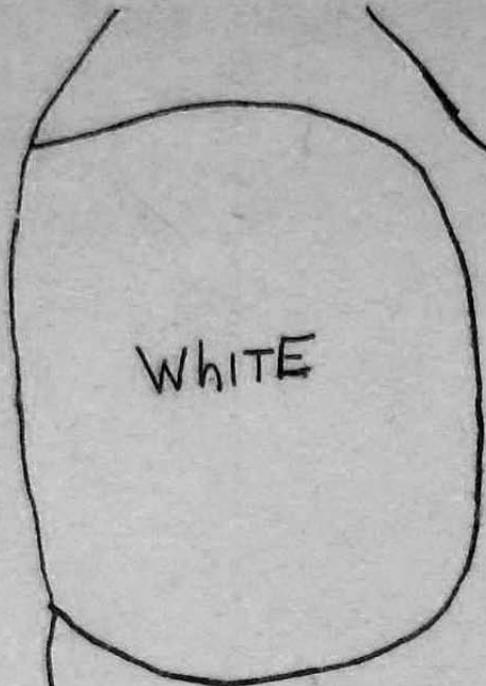
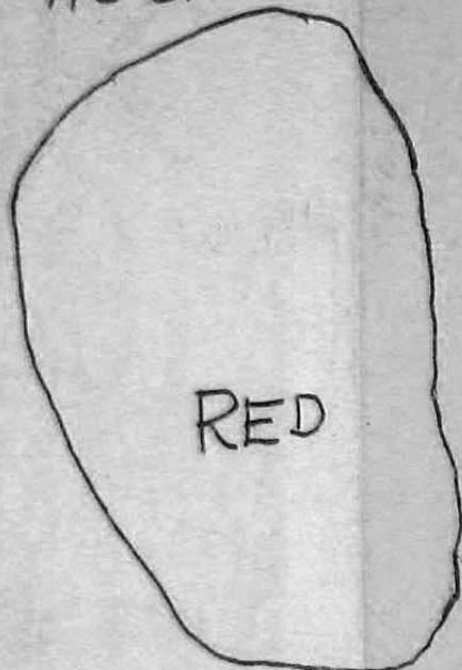
MARCH UNIT	COMMANDER	# of VEHICLES	ROUTE	REMARKS
Co A	Co Cmdr	6	See Strip Map	
Recon Plat	Plat Ldr	2	See Strip Map	
4.2" Mortars	Plat Ldr	2	See Strip Map	For personnel only
Co B	Co Cmdr	6	See Strip Map	
Co C	Co Cmdr	6	See Strip Map	
B Btry, 4/42	Btry Cmdr		See Strip Map	
Mini-trains; HHC(-); Co E(-)	SSG Whittaker	2 2	See Strip Map	1/12 trucks
Co D	Co Cmdr	6	See Strip Map	

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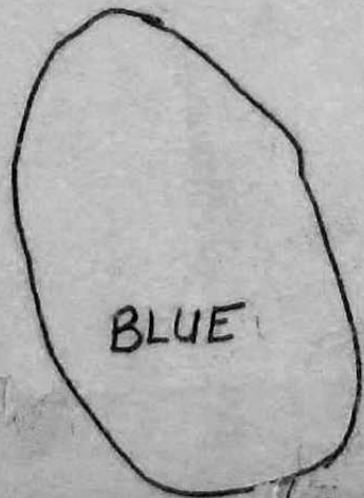
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AO INVASION

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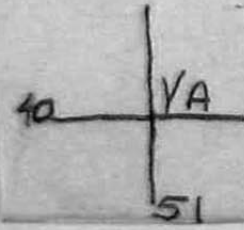
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AIRCRAFT LOAD LIST TO OPORD 9-70

PZ	TIME*	ELEMENT	FROM	TO	SORTIES	PAX	REMARKS
AF	TBA	A Co	FSB OASIS	YA575448	24	117	Two 81mm mortar tubes; and one squad of engineers.
AF	TBA	B Co			2	8	Two 81mm mortars.
AF		B-4/42			1	6	Adv party
AF		CP			6	32	*
AF		B4/42			8	48	
PP		B-4/42			14	0	Hook; external
PP		Conex			1	0	hook
AF		C Co			20	115	
AF		Recon			5	30	
A F		Co B			17	92	Plus one squad of engineers.
AF		Co D			17	101	
AF		4.2"			4	24	
PP		4.2"			6	0	Hook; external.
AF		CP(-)			9	43	**

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|--------------|-------------------|
| * CP         | ** CP             |
| 6 S-3        | 1 Major           |
| 6 S-2        | 1 Chaplan         |
| 1 CSM        | 2 S-3             |
| 1 Col ord    | 1 5 Commo         |
| 5 Commo      | 5 Radar and equip |
| 3 S-4        | 12 Eng plat(-)    |
| 2 Medics     | 1 Padman          |
| 5 4.2" reps  | 6 E Co            |
| 3 Arty LNO's | 43                |
| <u>32</u>    |                   |

NOTE: One Eng squad ea attached to Co's A and B. Eng plat(-) with Bn CP.

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# CP GROUP - 1ST LIFT

<u>LOAD #</u>	<u>PAX</u>	<u>ELEMENT</u>
1	6	S-3
2	3	ARTY LINDS
2	2	S-2
2	1	MEDIC
3	1	MEDIC
3	5	COMMO
4	5	4.2" KEPS
4	1	CSM
5	3	S-4
5	1	Col ORD
5	2	S-2
6	2	S-2

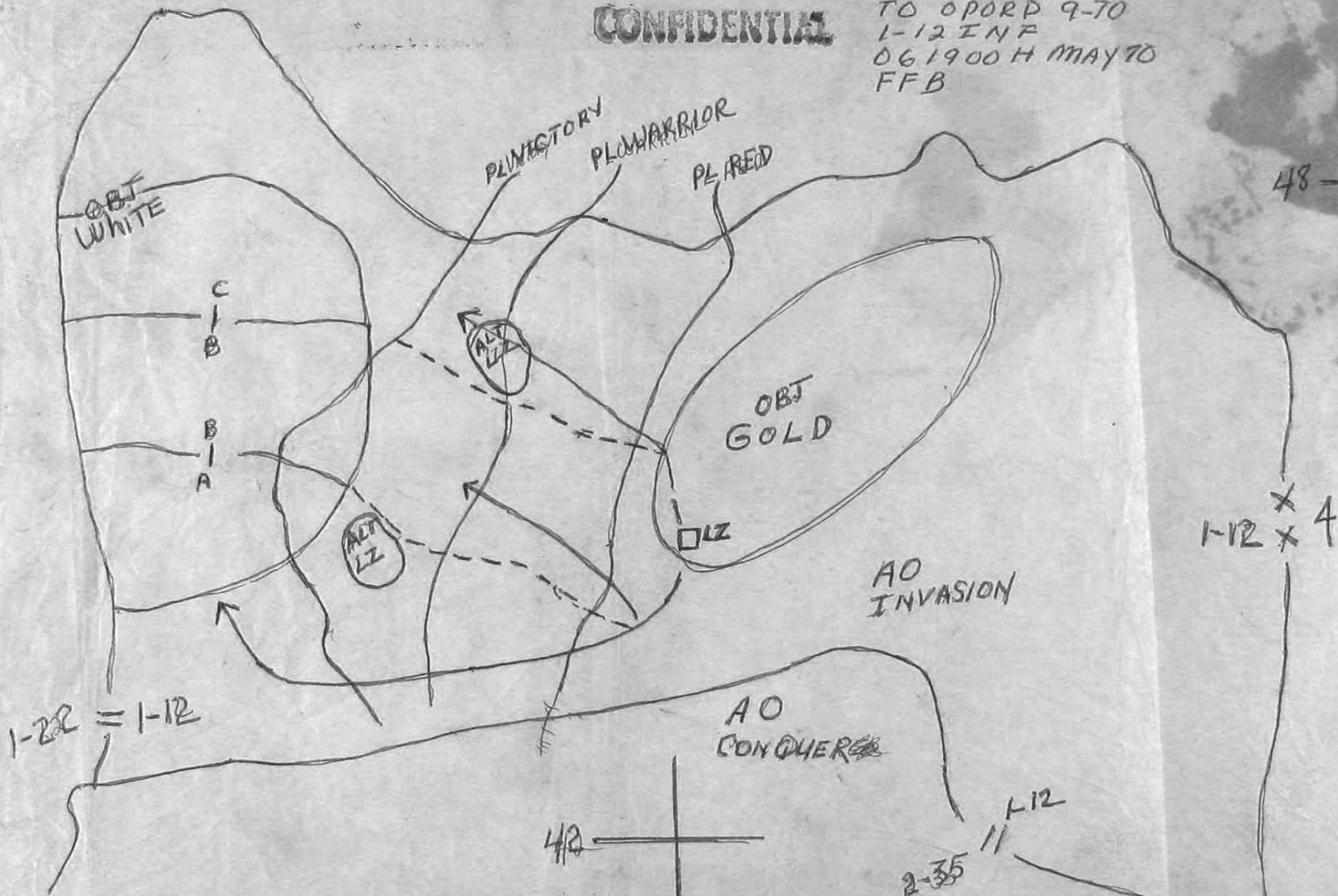


CP GROUP, 2d LIFT

<u>LINE #</u>	<u>PAX</u>	<u>ELEMENT</u>
1 + 2	5	KADAL + EQUIP
3 + 4	12	ENGINEERS
5	6	2 <sup>nd</sup> Co
6, 7, 8	15	Commo
8	1	Chaplain
8	1	MAJOR (S-3)
9	2	S-3 (unassigned)

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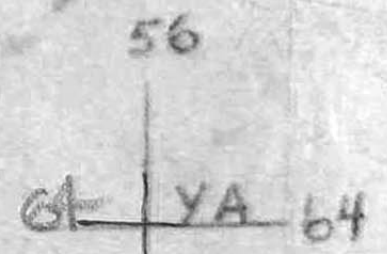
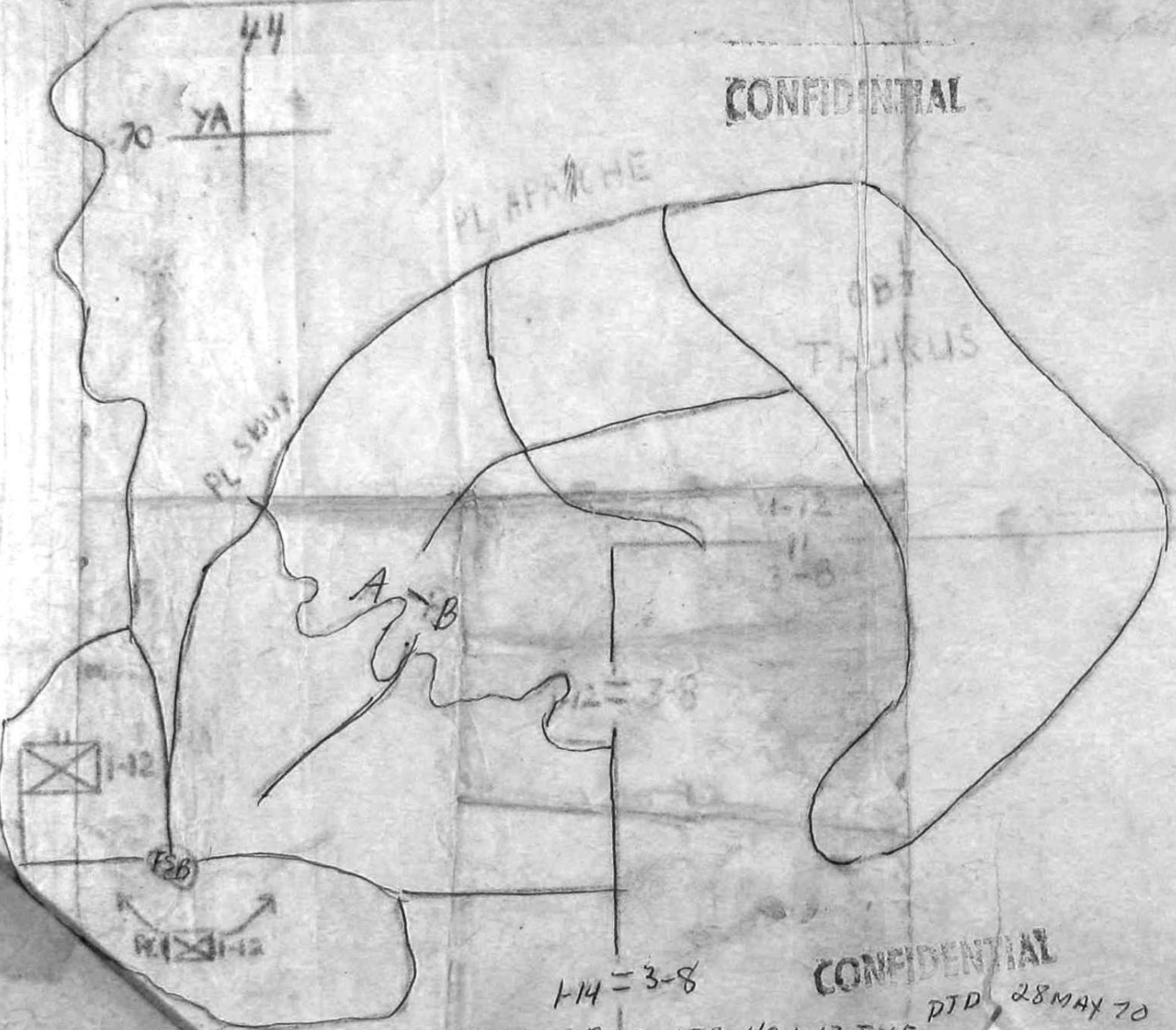


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