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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
1ST BATTALION 12TH INFANTRY
"RED WARRIORS"
APO SAN FRANCISCO 96262

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SUBJECT: Daily SITREP 1 for 030001H to 032400H November 1969.

1. Operation Summary.

A. The 1/12 Inf cont search and destroy ops in the upper AN LOA Valley.

(1) A Co - cont security mission FSB TAPE and maintain SRP positions BS750149, 758140, 757128, 744120. Reports negative significant activity or contact.

(2) B Co - cont ops with SRP positions BS755112, 747102, 740102, 749083 from PB vic BS731100. 2/B begin RIF vic LZ STINGER. 1/B at BS721099 discovered cave 20x4x75; inside (2) M79 Ill rounds, (1) M79 CS round, (1) 15 rd belt M60 ammo, (1) empty M16 magazine, one loaded M16 magazine, (8) rds Chicom MG ammo, (2) baskets w/bananas, misc toilet articles (US), pots, vases, (2) sets clothing (2pr blk pants, one blk shirt, one blue shirt), (4) pen-light batteries, (1) ball string, (1) parachute from flare. Estimate last use 2 weeks by platoon size element. Cave contaminated with persistent CS. (9) other caves same vic; (5) 10x10x5, (1) 10x10x4, (3) 5x5x5.

(3) C Co - cont ops from PB vic BS726171. 3/C at 030920H Nov 69 at BS703167 engaged 3 VC/NVA armed with unknown weapons. VC/NVA wearing grn uniforms; (1) pistol belt seen. Redleg, gunships employed, search revealed blood on tree. Negative further findings.

(4) D Co - cont ops from PB vic BS779195. Maintain SRP locations vic BS767179, 765200, 773210, 787210. At 031515H Nov 69 vic BS769180 SRP heard wood chopping. R/L employed. Area searched revealed woods chips and 10"x12" impression on ground. Negative further findings.

(5) Redon Plat cont RIF vic BS754078. At 031330H Nov 69 vic BS773105 found leaf cuttings used for possible camouflage by (4) indiv, 48 hours old. (1)

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rucksack 2 or 3 months in loc. End of entry.

B. Cumulative Results of All Units:

US losses: 1 US KIA; 9 US WIA.

Fdly losses: 1 Kit Carson Scout WIA.

US inflicted enemy losses: 15 VC/NVA KIA (BC); 9 SA CIA, misc docu and equip CIA.

2. Intelligence.

During the latter part of Oct until the present time there has been a marked increase of enemy activity within the AO. There have been numerous sightings, movements and indications of enemy presence through freshly used trails, hootches, waves, fresh cultivation, etc. B, C, & D companies plus the Recon Plat have had separate contacts with various size enemy elements during this period. Intelligence gathered locally and from higher indicates the enemy is trying to relocate major elements that effect the 1/12 Inf AO. Current intel reports indicate relocation will be to the south.

Weather: The weather for the next several days will be effected by the fall monsoon with scattered rain showers and considerable cloud cover. Winds should remain variable at 5 to 10 knots.

Light Data: The moon is in the last quarter. Percent of illumination will decrease from 34% on the night of the 4th to 0% on the night of 10 Nov.

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SUBJECT: Daily SITREP 2 for 040001H to 042400H November 1969.

1. (C) Operation Summary.

A. The 1/12 Inf cont search and destroy operations in the upper AN LOA Valley.

(1) A Co - cont security mission FSB TAPE and maintain SRP positions BS750149, 758140, 757128, 744120. Reports negative significant activity or contact.

(2) B Co - cont ops with 1/B security PB vic BS731100. 2/B at 040935 Nov 69 engaged 4 VC/NVA at BS754085. Contact developed with results of one VC/NVA KIA, 4 VC/NVA CIA (3 WIA), one VC/NVA Hoi Chanh, 2 AK-47 CIA, 10 NVA rucksacks CIA. POW's indicated that 11 more VC/NVA remained in cave. 3/B with Co HQ reinforced 2/B. Co(-) continuing to develop sit that location. Results: US- 2 WIA (dusted off), one returned to duty; enemy- 1 KIA, 4 CIA (3 WIA); one Hoi Chanh; 2 AK-47 CIA; 10 NVA rucksacks CIA.

(3) C Co - cont ops from PB vic BS726171. 1/C cont RIF vic BS706168. At BS714175 1/C found 4 bunkers 3x2x5, neg O/H, 6 months old. 6 animal traps were discovered at BS714176.

(4) D Co - cont ops from PB vic BS⁷⁷¹⁹⁵~~726171~~. Maintain SRP locations vic BS767179, 765200, 773210, 787210. Reports negative significant activity or contact.

(5) Recon Plat cont RIF vic BS783098. At 041053H Nov 69 Recon Plat engaged 3-4 VC/NVA and received 7-8 rounds AK-47 fire. At 041715H Nov 69 at BS778101 Recon Plat again engaged an estimated 3-4 VC/NVA. R/L was employed. A sweep of the area produced negative findings. Results: US- 2 ~~WIA~~ (dusted off) (insurex)

En- None.

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B. Cumulative Results of ALL Units:

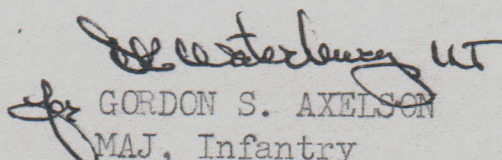
US Losses: 1 US KIA; 10 WIA.

Fdly losses: 1 Kit Carson Scout WIA.

US inflicted enemy losses: 25 VC/NVA KIA (BC); 6 poss VC/NVA KIA; 5 VC/NVA CIA (3 WIA); 2 Hoi Chanh; 11 SA CIA; misc docu and equip CIA.

2. Remarks: None.

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SUBJECT: Daily SITREP 3 for 050001H to 052400H November 1969.

1. (C) Operation Summary.

A. The 1/12 Inf cont search and destroy ops in the upper ANLOA Valley.

(1) A Co relieved of security mission FSB TAPE, conducts foot march to vic LZ MUSTANG in preparation for RIF ops vic BS780095. Reports negative significant activity or contact.

(2) B Co(-) assumes security FSB TAPE. At 050750H Nov 69 at BS754085 Co(-) extracted 2 NVA KIA from from cave same vic. At 050920H Nov 69 extracted one NVA KIA from same vic with AK-47 CIA. At 051010H Nov 69 recovered one NVA KIA same vic. At 051105H Nov 69 engaged one NVA still remaining in cave and at 051210H Nov 69 destroyed 1500 lbs rice same location. 1/B cont security PB vic BS731100. Results: US- None. En- 5 NVA KIA (BC); one AK-47 CIA; 1500 lbs rice destroyed; misc docu CIA.

(3) C Co cont ops from PB vic BS726171. 1/C cont RIF ops vic BS703178. Reoprts negative significant activity or contact.

(4) D Co cont ops from PB vic BS729195. Close SRP locations and re-establish 06 Nov 69. 3/D conduct RIF ops vic BS785203. Reports negative significant activity or contact.

(5) Recon Plat at 050830H Nov 69 at BS783098 engaged 3-4 VC/NVA with S/A and fragmentation grenades. R/L was employed. A search of the area produced negative findings. At 051824 Nov 69 voices of 2 individuals were believed to come from vic BS777103. R/L employed. End of entry.

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B. Cumulative Results of All Units:

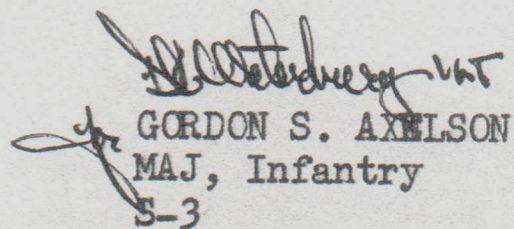
US losses: 1 US KIA; 11 WIA.

Fdly losses: 1 Kit Carson Scout WIA.

US inflicted En losses: 30 VC/NVA KIA (BC); 6 poss VC/NVA KIA; 5 VC/NVA CIA (3 WIA); 2 Hoi Chanhs; 12 S/A CIA; 1500 lbs rice CIA (destroyed); misc docu and equip CIA.

2. Remarks: None.

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06 November 1969

SUBJECT: Daily SITREP 4 for 060001H to 062400H November 1969.

1. (C) Operation Summary.

A. The 1/12 Inf cont search and destroy ops in the upper AN LOA Valley.

(1) A Co at 061532H Nov 69 airlifted via LZ STINGER BS769086. LZ STINGER received 6/7 rds of 82mm during airlift. R/L employed via BS758080. Co cont RIF via BS781092.

(2) B Co cont security FSB TAPE. Established SRP positions via BS759138, 746122. 1/B closed LZ TAPE from PB. Reports negative significant activity or contact.

(3) C Co cont ops from PB via BS726171. At BS713180 at 061110H Nov 69 1/C discovered brush lean-to, 24H old, capable of sleeping 1-2 people. Also discovered saws loc Montagnard ax, piece of GI air mattress, 2 dishes, one iron pot. 1/C at 061325H Nov 69 at BS713176 discovered 3 hootches 8x5x6 on stilts used within 36H. 2 jars rice, 3 small chickens, 2 baskets, one pair sandals, 3 hatchets, US machete, 6 animal traps, one bandolier M16 ammo, one set blk pajamas, and misc US items, including EM ID card and MACV card.

(4) D Co cont ops from PB via BS779195. Establish SRP positions via BS782211, 768206, 757192, 772182. Reports negative significant activity or contact.

(5) Recon Plat conclude RIF ops and close LZ MUSTANG via BS746122 enroute to LZ TAPE for stand down. Reports negative significant activity or contact.

B. Cumulative Results of All Units:

US losses: 1 US KIA; 11 WIA.

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FOLY Losses: 1 Kit Carson Scout WIA.

**US inflicted En losses: 30 VC/NVA KIA (BC); 6 poss VC/NVA KIA; 5 VC/NVA
CIA (3 WIA); 2 Hoi Chanhs; 12 S/A CIA; 1500 lbs rice CIA (destroyed);
misc docu and equip CIA.**

2. Remarks: None.

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09 November 1969

SUBJECT: Daily SITREP 5 for 070001H to 072400H November 1969.

1. (C) Operation Summary.

A. The 1/12 Inf cont search and destroy ops in the upper AN LOA Valley.

(1) A Co cont RIF vic BS785102. At 071520 Nov 69 at BS779102 discovered trail to northeast used by 3-5 people within 3-5 days. At 071300H Nov 69 at BS783101 found 10 bunkers 4'x4'x3' with $\frac{1}{2}$ ' O/H. Negative recent use. At 071505H Nov 69 at BS781098 found 30 bunkers. 4'x4'x3' with 2' O/H. Last used within 3 weeks. At same vicinity north/south trail used within 5 days. At same location discovered 3 loaded M16 magazines.

(2) B Co continue security mission FSB TAPE. Maintain SRP's vic BS754148, 759137, 746122. Reports negative significant activity or contact. 758121

(3) C Co cont ops from PB vic BS726171. 2/C cont RIF vic BS704150. Reports negative significant activity or contact.

(4) D Co cont ops from PB vic BS781193. Maintain SRP locations vic BS782211, 768206, 756193, 772182. 2/D cont RIF ops vic BS766188; reports negative significant activity or contact.

(5) Recon Platoon close TAPE from vic LZ MUSTANG for standdown.

B. Cumulative Results of all units:

US losses: 1 US KIA; 11 WIA.

Fdly losses: 1 Kit Carson Scout WIA.

US inflicted En losses: 30 VC/NVA KIA (BC); 6 poss VC/NVA KIA; 5 VC/NVA CIA (3 WIA); 2 Hoi Chanhs; 12 S/A CIA; 1500 lbs rice CIA (destroyed); misc

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docu and equip CIA.

2. Remarks: None.

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09 November 1969

SUBJECT: Daily SITREP 6 for 080001H to 082400H November 1969.

1. (C) Operation Summary:

A. The 1/12 Inf cont search and destroy ops in the upper AN LOA Valley.

(1) A Co cont RIF ops vic BS792102. Reports negative significant activity or contact.

(2) B Co cont security mission FSB TAPE. Maintain SRP positions vic BS749151 759133, 759113, 744120. Reports negative significant activity or contact.

(3) C Co cont ops from PB vic BS726171. 2/C cont RIF ops vic BS689173.

Reports negative significant activity or contact.

(4) D Co cont ops from PB vic BS789195. 2/D cont ops vic BS760205 (RIF). 2/D at 081025H Nov 69 at BS765195 found vines tied to trees indicating presence of 6 poncho hootches. Same loc, one can of salmon. Estimate 15 individuals in area within 3 days. At 081100H Nov 69 at BS766195 2/D found 2 baskets rice and ~~bananas~~ sweet potatoes. Estimate last use 24H by 2 individuals. Same vic 4 uncompleted bunkers, 8'x6'x4', negative O/H, constructed within 3-5 days. At 081300H Nov 69 at BS765195 2/D discovered one grave, 1½ months old, containing one VC/NVA.

(5) Recon Plat remains FSB TAPE on stand down.

B. Cumulative Results of All Units:

US Losses: 1 US KIA, 11 WIA.

FDLY Losses: 1 Kit Carson Scout WIA.

US inflicted En Losses: 31 VC/NVA KIA(BG); 6 poss VC/NVA KIA; 5 VC/NVA CIA

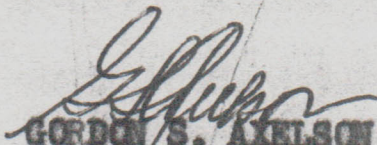
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(3 WIA); 2 Hoi Chanhs; 12 S/A CIA; 1800 lbs rice CIA (destroyed); misc
docu and equip CIA.

2. Remarks: None.

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11 November 1969

SUBJECT: Daily SITREP 7 for 09001H to 092400H November 1969.

1. (C) Operations Summary.

A. The 4/12 Inf cont ops search and destroy in upper AN LCA Valley.

(1) A Co cont RIF ops vic BS788111. At 091030H Nov 69 at BS789104 A Co discovered heavily used trail to NE. At same vic one grave approx nine months old, one pair blk khaki pants, one bottle perfume. All items had been in the area for an extensive period. At 091220H Nov 69 discovered one US claymore, one AK-47 mag, both very old, at BS787104.

(2) B Co cont security mission FSB TAPE. Exchange SRP positions vic BS749151, 759132, 744120, 759113. Reports negative significant activity or contact.

(3) C Co cont ops from PB vic BS726171. 2/C conclude RIF ops vic BS709167, closing PB. At 091300H Nov 69 at BS713174 2/C discovered one piece fruit half-eaten, 1-2 days old. At same loc 3 bunkers 2x4x5' with 2½' O/H. Last use and construction estimated 2-3 months ago. End of entry.

(4) D Co cont ops from PB vic BS781193. Exchange SRP's and relocate at BS750188, 763175, 764210, 788181. 2/D concludes RIF ops vic BS768202, closing PB. Reports negative significant activity or contact.

(5) Recon Flat RIF vic FSB TAPE closing at conclusion. Reports negative significant activity or contact.

B. Cumulative Results of All Units:

US losses: 1 US KIA; 11 WIA.

Fdly losses: 1 Kit Carson Scout WIA.

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US inflicted En losses: 31 VC/NVA KIA (BC); 6 poss VC/NVA KIA; 5 VC/NVA CIA (3 WIA); 2 Hoi Chanh; 12 S/A CIA; 1800 lbs rice CIA (destroyed); misc docu and equip CIA.

2. Remarks: FSB TAPE and D Co 1/12 visited by Assistant Division Commander (ADC-A).

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