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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

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**PART I**  
**ORGANIZATIONAL DATA**

<b><u>1. Designation</u></b>	<b><u>Commander</u></b>	<b><u>Date</u></b>
Headquarters, 9th Marines	Col R. H. BARROW	1-31 Dec

**Subordinate Units**

Headquarters Company	1stLt J. R. HAGAN	1-27 Dec
	1stLt C. C. DURAZO	28-31 Dec

**Attached Units**

1st Bn, 9th Marines	LtCol G. W. SMITH	1-28 Dec
2nd Bn, 9th Marines	LtCol G. W. SMITH	30-31 Dec
3rd Bn, 9th Marines	Major F. E. SISLEY	1-9 Dec
2nd Bn, 4th Marines	Major P. G. COLLINS	10-28 Dec
Co C, 1/11 Army	LtCol G. C. FOX	29-31 Dec
3rd MT Bn, (A Co, 1st Plt)	LtCol E. R. LAINE Jr.	1-26 Dec
	LtCol E. R. LAINE Jr.	28-31 Dec
	LtCol C. E. HOPKINS	1-8 Dec
	Capt J. MIDDOUH	28 Dec
	1stLt G. B. ATKINSON	1-31 Dec

**Direct Support Units**

2nd Bn, 12th Marines	LtCol J. SCOPPA Jr.	1-31 Dec
Co C, 3rd Engr Bn	1stLt J. D. SWINSON Jr.	1-31 Dec
3rd MP Bn	LtCol W. E. CHEATHAM	1-31 Dec

**2. Location**

Headquarters Company, 9th Marines	VANDEGRIFT COMBAT BASE, RVN	1-31 Dec
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**3. Staff Officers**

Executive Officer	LtCol G. C. FOX	1-27 Dec
S-1	LtCol D. E. WOOD	28-31 Dec
S-2	GySgt D. F. ABBOTT	1-31 Dec
S-3	Major L. L. ECHO	1-31 Dec
FSC	Major J. B. KNOTTS	1-31 Dec
ALO	Major K. E. SOESBE	1-31 Dec
S-4	Major F. L. GATZ	1-31 Dec
Comm	Major W. H. WIEDHAHN Jr.	1-31 Dec
	Capt B. DUNN	1-31 Dec

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Supply	2ndLt S. R. VAN TYLE	1-31 Dec
MP Officer	1stLt G. M. FEENEY	1-31 Dec
Scout Sniper Plt	GySgt D. J. BRINGHURST	1-13 Dec
	SSgt J. P. TOMOLONIS	14-31 Dec
Chaplain	LtCdr R. C. FRANKLIN	1-31 Dec
Medical Officer	Lt S. M. COHEN	1-31 Dec

4. Average Monthly Strength

USMC	USN	OTHER
OFF ENL	OFF ENL	OFF ENL
19 200	2 4	0 0

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## PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the month of December, the regiment continued Operation DAWSON RIVER AFTON which terminated on 25 December 1968. DAWSON RIVER AFTON bears out the conclusions reached in previous months, that the DA KRONG River and southern BA LONG Valley areas, was and is a major infiltration route. The regiment interdicted these routes and has dealt a strategic blow to the efforts of the 7th front by occupying the area and finding caches of communications equipment, foodstuffs, weapons, and ordnance. Enemy contact, sightings and trail activity continued to rise as the operation progressed. This can be primarily attributed to the extended period of time spent in the area causing the enemy to expose himself in order to resupply and relocate. The Regiment (-)(Rein), in carrying out its mission stressed mobility and fire support. The enemy made his pressure felt through harassment by mortars and minor probes, posing no significant ground threat to company sized units.

With few exceptions unusually good weather has prevailed allowing varied use of air within the limits of the assets available.

During this month the requirement for maintaining security at VCB and CA LU was provided by various battalions within the regiment. The regiment continued assisting the Fourth Marine Regiment by providing company sized units for the security of ECB.

The Regimental CP displaced from FSB DICK, from which it directed DAWSON RIVER AFTON, to VCB on 23 December 1968.

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## PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. Combat missions assigned.a. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 155-68.

(1) Continue offensive operations vicinity FSB TUN TAVERN, SHILOH, and DICK. Continue security mission for CA LU, VCB, and TSL. Maintain 1 rifle company as TF Hotel Reaction Force at VCB.

b. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 156-68.

(1) No change from Frag Order 155-68.

c. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 157-68.

(1) No change.

d. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 158-68.

(1) Continue offensive operations vicinity FSB TUN TAVERN, SHILOH, and DICK. Continue security mission for CA LU, VCB, and TSL. Maintain 1 rifle company as TF Hotel Reaction Force at VCB. Commence development of FSB BARNETT.

e. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 159-68.

(1) No change from Frag Order 157-68, except be prepared to commence operations from FSB CATES and Hills 691 and 950 on order.

f. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 160-68.

(1) Continue development of FSB BARNETT. Prepare to close FSB TUN TAVERN. Continue to relieve 9th Mar Units at FSB CATES and Hills 691 and 950 on 7 Dec 68. Continue security mission for TSL, VCB and CA LU. Maintain 1 rifle company at VCB as TF Hotel Reaction Force. Prepare to chop 2/4 to TF Hotel at 080600H Dec 68.

g. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 161-68.

(1) Continue development of FSB BIDDLE (XD 997464). Close FSB TUN TAVERN. Continue offensive operations vicinity

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FSB DICK, SHILOH, and BARNETT. Continue operations from FSB CATES and Hill 691 and 950. Continue security mission for VCB and CA LU. Continue security mission for TSL until E/2/9 is relieved at that location by rifle company of 4th Marines on 8 Dec 68. Prepare to reconstitute TF Hotel Reaction Force in the strength of 1 rifle company at VCB on 8 Dec 68.

h. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 162-68.

(1) No change except: Prepare to conduct Helo Raid on order on 9 Dec 68 with 1 rifle company (rein) (TF Hotel Reaction Force) to search out and destroy enemy forces and material within the area bounded by XD 730410, XD 750390, XD 750410, and XD 730390.

i. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 163-68.

(1) Continue development of FSB BIDDLE (XD 997464). Continus offensive operations vicinity FSB DICK, SHILOH and BARNETT. Continue operations from FSB CATES and Hills 691 and 950. Continue security mission for Signal Hill, VCB and CA LU. Maintain 1 rifle platoon (Rein) at VCB as a TF Hotel Reaction Force. Prepare to conduct search and clear operations on order in portion of DAWSON RIVER AO, bounded on the west by the Laotian border, in the north by the 47 east-west Grid line, or the south by the 87 north-south Grid line.

j. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 164-68.

(1) No change.

k. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 165-68.

l. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 166-68.

m. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 167-68.

n. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 168-68.

(1) Continue development of FSB BIDDLE. Continue offensive operations vicinity FSB DICK, SHILOH and BARNETT. Continue operations from FSB CATES and Hills 691 and 950. Continue security mission for Signal Hill, VCB and CA LU. Maintain 1 rifle platoon (Rein) at VCB as TF Hotel Reaction Force. Prepare to conduct search and clear operations on order in portion of DAWSON RIVER AO, bounded on the west by Laotian border, on the north by the 47 Grid line, and on the east by the 87 north-south Grid line.

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## o. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 169-68.

(1) Continue development of FSB BIDDLE. Continue offensive operations vicinity FSB DICK, SHILOH, and BARNETT. Continue operations from FSB CATES and Hills 691 and 950. Continue security missions for Signal Hill, VCB, and CA LU. Maintain 1 rifle platoon (Rein) at VCB as TF Hotel Reaction Force. Prepare to conduct search and clear operations on order in portion of DAWSON RIVER AO, bounded on the west by Laotian border on the north by the 47 east-west Grid line. On the south by the 28 east-west Grid line, and on the east by the 87 north-south Grid line. Move 1 rifle company to TSL on 16 Dec 68 and chop to TF Hotel on order.

## p. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 170-68.

(1) Continue development of FSB BIDDLE. Continue offensive operations vicinity FSB DICK, SHILOH and BARNETT. Continue operations from FSB CATES and Hills 691 and 950. Continue security mission for Signal Hill, VCB and CA LU. Maintain 1 rifle platoon (Rein) at VCB as TF Hotel Reaction Force. Prepare to conduct search and clear operations during the period 25 Dec 68 to 4 Jan 69 in portion of DAWSON RIVER AO, bounded on the west by Laotian border, on the north by the 47 east-west Grid line, on the south by the 28 east-west Grid line, on the east by the 87 north-south Grid line.

## q. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 171-68.

(1) Continue development of FSB BIDDLE. Continue offensive operations vicinity FSB DICK and BARNETT. Continue operations from FSB CATES, Hills 691 and 950. Continue security mission for Signal Hill, VCB and CA LU. Commence reactivation of FSB HENDERSON (YD 018411) on 18 Dec 68. Prepare to close FSB SHILOH on 19 Dec 68. Prepare to conduct search and clear operations on order in portion of DAWSON RIVER AO, bounded on the west by Laotian border on, the north by the 47 east-west Grid line, on the south by the 28 east-west Grid line, and on the east by the 87 north-south Grid line.

## r. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 172-68.

(1) Continue development of FSB BIDDLE. Continue offensive operations vicinity FSB DICK, and BARNETT. Continue operations from FSB CATES, Hills 691 and 950. Continue security mission for Signal Hill, VCB and CA LU. Reactivate FSB HENDERSON. Close FSB SHILOH. Prepare to conduct search and clear operations on order in portion of DAWSON RIVER AO, bounded on the

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west by Lactian border, on the north by the 47 east-west Grid line, on the south by the 28 east-west Grid line, and on the east by the 87 north-south Grid line. Effective 190600H Dec 68 maintain SPARROW HAWK/BALD EAGLE at VCB in accordance with ref (a); prescribed load will consist of 1 days Class I and Basic allowance of Class V. An emergency resupply consisting of 1 days of Class I and 1 day of Class V and medical supplies, prepacked separately for support of a SPARROW HAWK/BALD EAGLE, will be maintained at VCB LSA.

s. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 173-68.

(1) Continue development of FSB BIDDLE. Continue offensive operations vicinity FSB DICK and BARNETT. Continue operations from FSB CATES, Hills 691 and 950. Continue security mission for Signal Hill, VCB and CA LU. Prepare to conduct search and clear operations on order in portion of DAWSON RIVER AO, bounded on the west by the Lactian border, on the north by the 47 east-west Grid line, on the south by the 28 east-west Grid line, and on the east by the 87 north-south Grid line. Maintain SPARROW HAWK/BALD EAGLE (minus 1 rifle platoon). Prescribed load will consist of 1 day of Class I, a Basic allowance of Class V, and appropriate Class VI, II, and emergency resupply consisting of water, 1 day of Class V, and appropriate Class VI, II, prepackaged separately for support of a SPARROW HAWK/BALD EAGLE. It will be maintained at the VCB LSA.

t. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 174-68.

(1) No change. Ref (a) be prepared to close FSB BARNETT on or about 22 Dec 68 and FSB DICK on or about 23 Dec 68.

u. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 175-68.

(1) No change, except as follows: Close FSB BARNETT. Prepare to close FSB DICK on or about 23 Dec 68. Continue offensive operations vicinity FSB HENDERSON.

v. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 175-68.

(1) No change except: Prepare to close FSB DICK on 24 Dec 68.

w. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 177-68.

(1) No change, except as follows: Close FSB DICK and BARNETT. Provide 1 rifle platoon for security of special convoy from DONG HA to VCB. Platoon will ride to DONG HA on

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resupply convoy returning from VCB to 9th Motors area, DONG HA. On 24 Dec 68 join and return same date with special convoy. On 25 Dec 68 provide 1 rifle platoon for security of a special convoy from VCB to DONG HA. Platoon will remain over night at DONG HA. Lodging will be provided by 3d Mar Div at old 9th Marines area. Platoon will return to VCB on 26 Dec 68 with resupply convoy.

x. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 178-68.

(1) Close FSB DICK. Provide 1 rifle company for security of a special convoy from DONG HA to VCB. Platoon will ride to DONG HA on resupply convoy returning from VCB to 9th Motors area, DONG HA on 25 Dec 68, join and return same date with special convoy. On 26 Dec 68, provide 1 rifle platoon for security of a special convoy from VCB to DONG HA. Platoon will remain over night at DONG HA. Lodging will be provided by 3d Mar Div at old 9th Marines area. Platoon will return to VCB on 27 Dec 68 with resupply convoy.

y. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 179-68.

(1) Continue development of FSB BIDDLE. Continue operations from FSB CATES, Hills 691 and 950. Continue security mission for Signal Hill, VCB, and CA LU. Prepare to conduct search and clear operation DAWSON RIVER WEST during period 1 Jan through 10 Jan 69. Maintain SPARROW HAWK/BALD EAGLE at VCB. Prepare to chop 3/9 to TF Hotel on 26 Dec 68 for rehabilitation program. On 26 Dec 68, provide 1 rifle platoon for security of a special convoy from VCB to DONG HA. Platoon will remain over night at DONG HA. Lodging will be provided by 3d Mar Div at old 9th Marines area. Platoon will return to VCB on 27 Dec 68 with resupply convoy.

z. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 180-68.

(1) Continue development of FSB BIDDLE. Continue operations from FSB CATES, Hills 950 and 691. Continue security mission for Signal Hill, VCB and CA LU. Prepare to conduct search and clear operation, DAWSON RIVER WEST, during period 1 Jan through 10 Jan 69. Maintain SPARROW HAWK/BALD EAGLE at VCB.

a.a. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 181-68.

(1) No change from Frag Order 180-68.

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b.b. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 182-68.

(1) Conduct offensive operations in the BA LONG Valley southeast of CA LU. Continue development of FSB BIDDLE. Continue operations from FSB CATES, Hills 950 and 691. Continue security mission for Signal Hill, VCB and CA LU. Continue preparations for operation DAWSON RIVER WEST. Maintain SPARROW HAWK/BALD EAGLE.

c.c. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 183-68.

(1) No change from Frag Order 182-68.

d.d. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 184-68.

(1) Commence withdrawal of forces from the BA LONG Valley southeast of CA LU. Continue preparation for operation DAWSON RIVER WEST. Maintain SPARROW HAWK/BALD EAGLE. Prepare to assume OPCON of B/1/9 on 1 Jan 69.

e.e. CG, TF HOTEL, Frag Order 185-68.

(1) No change from Frag Order 184-68.

2. Operations.

01 Dec At 1230H, A/1/9 vic YD 042257 patrol found 5 NVA structures made of bamboo and leaves, contained 2000 lbs of rice and misc gear. Burned rice and structures, gear returned to CP. (SitRep 153)

02 Dec At 0930H, D/1/9 patrol vic YD 102244 found area off main trail large enough to bed 10 elephants. Reported convoy rest area has been used frequently. At 1025H, B/1/9 relieved A/1/9 at FSB DICK, completed at 1040H. At 1245H, K/3/9 vic YD 168312 found the following gear: 5 cases of 1.5 volt batteries, a switchboard (for land lines), 250-300' of comm wire with resistors, 1 large battery and 1 new radio, also misc ordnance. Destroyed misc ordnance. At 1330H, G/2/9 and H/2/9 were chopped to 4th Mar. At 1345H, H/2/9 was lifted from LZ TUBA to VCB and 2/9 assumed OPCON. At 1430H, K/3/9 vic YD 168312 found 2 field generators, 1 new switchboard, 3 pints of hydrochloric acid and 5 lbs of TNT. Comm gear still in crates. (SitRep 155, 156)

03 Dec At 1015H, lift of 1 plt A/1/9 from FSB DICK to PUSAN began, completed at 1040H. New FSB at YD 199324 named BARNETT. (SitRep 159, 160)

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- 04 Dec** At 0645H, D/1/9 vic YD 098231 and YD 101237 received squad (-) probe with A/W fire, chicom, 1 RPG and 2 60mm rounds. Returned fire with 60mm, 81mm and artillery on enemy position. Spotted 2 NVA at YD 101237. Fired M-79, 81mm and artillery. Results 3 USMC WIAE. At 0845H, vic YD 169319, K/3/9 found 1 NVA structure with 7 82mm mortar rounds, 4 RPG's, 13 82mm fuses. All gear destroyed. At 1109H, C/1/9 commenced heliborne assault vic YD 043213, completed at 1310H. At 1310H, C/1/9 chopped from 2/9 to 1/9. New LZ's GOLD, YD 173289, HASTINGS, YD 177328, MOOSE, YD 060348, MERRIMAC, YD 123321 and CHIEF, YD 035361. At 1115H, K/3/9 vic YD 169322 found 6 NVA structures, 60 friction blasting caps, 200 electric blasting caps, 75 fuse lighters, 1 bag of powder, 1 82mm round, 16 82mm charges. Blew all gear. At 1215H, A/1/9 vic YD 028252 found 30 lbs rice. At 1520H, A/1/9 vic YD 025249 patrol found 1 NVA structure with 300-400 lbs of rice, destroyed by burning. At 1420H, K/3/9 lift of 70 people to FSB BARNETT commenced, completed at 1530H. At 1540H, H/2/9 commenced lift from LZ ANNE to VCB, completed at 1705H. At 1700H, H/2/9 chopped from 1st BDE back to 2/9. (SitRep 163, 164)
- 05 Dec** At 0830H, M/3/9 vic YD 194283 found 1 NVA body in body bag in grave. At 1805H, A/1/9 vic YD 037264 received 12-18 rounds of 82mm mortar fire. Fired counter fire with 81mm and artillery. Neg casualties. At 2240H, D/1/9 vic YD 098234 received S/A fire and 1 or 2 chicoms. Results 1 USMC WIAE. (SitRep 167, 169)
- 06 Dec** K/3/9 vic YD 163313 found misc ordnance, medical gear and 782 gear. All gear destroyed. At 1252H, 2/9 assumed OPCON of F/2/4. At 1055H, A/1/9 patrol vic YD 021248 had 1 man step on chicom booby trap. Results 1 WIAE. At 1230H, 2/9 assumed OPCON of G/2/4. (SitRep 171, 172, and 173)
- 07 Dec** At 0850H, H/2/9(-) commenced lift to FSB CATES and 1 plt commenced lift to Hill 691 vic YD 926443 and completed at 0930H. At 0910H, H/2/9 chopped OPCON to 2/4. At 1200H, G/2/9(-) will assume defense of CA LU. At 1200H, C/1/9 found papers with names and unit and supply routes. At 1130H, M/3/9 vic YD 198296 found trail running NE to SW. Found 1 grave with 1 badly burned body, 1 NVA KIA. At 1230H, C/1/9 vic YD 038200 found in BRU ville 2 Mauser rifles and 1 M-1 rifle. Rifles were hidden. At 1245H, A/1/9 vic YD 059246 found structures with approximately 200 lbs of wheat in baskets. Destroyed wheat. LZ at YD 198305 designated LZ GULF. (SitRep 175, 176 and 177)

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- 08 Dec At 0930H, boundary change became effective. 9th Marines chopped OPCON of TSL A0 to 4th Mar. At 1000H, F/2/9 platoon completed lift and relief at Hill 950. Also chopped OPCON of F/2/4 to TF Hotel. At 1145H, 3/9(-) commenced helo assault into YD 249291 and was completed at 1430H. At 1000H, E/2/9 returned to VCB from TSL. At 1340H, C/1/9 squad patrol vic YD 048203 while near ville received S/A fire from ville at YD 043203. Called 81mm and 4.2" mission on ville. Results 1 USMC WIAE. At 1400H, M/3/9 vic YD 189298 received approximately 100 rounds of S/A fire from the NW. Spotted 4 NVA running and fired S/A. Results 2 NVA KIA. Called artillery and 60mm mission in area. At 1400H, M/3/9 vic YD 189298 while checking area of contact found 3 hooches. In hooches there was misc NVA clothing and assorted gear, 1 grease gun with 400 rounds, 5 loaded AK-47 magazines, 1 unloaded magazine. At 1945H, a marine from F/1/12 was shot in the leg by S/A, 1 USMC WIAE. (SitRep 179, 180 and 182)
- 09 Dec At 0940H, L/3/9 vic YD 262288 found 165 fighting holes, 60 hooches, scattered U.S. C-Rat cans, several empty french, english and U.S. cigarette packs. Fighting holes were destroyed. At 1050H, C/1/9 vic YD 037203 patrol found 2 montagnard type hooches with 2 AT mines with fuses (U.S. made), 100 rounds S/A ammo, 40 lbs of TNT (NVA), misc tools and gear. At 1545H, I/3/9 at YD 256306 received 35 rounds S/A, A/W fire from brush. Returned fire and called in mortar mission on area. At 1430H, vic YD 068249 A/1/9 found 2 hooches containing 1000 lbs of rice, 60 lbs of corn in baskets. Gear taken to A/1/9 position. At 1230H, L/3/9 vic YD 266284 found 1 hooch, small amount of misc 782 and other gear. 1 grave dated 21-10168 with 1 body with ID card. 1 NVA KIA. At YD 256306, I/3/9 searched area after fire mission and found 4 132mm rocket projectiles with 3 boosters. (SitRep 184, 185)
- 10 Dec At 1057H, I/3/9 vic YD 256304 spotted 3 NVA and fired S/A, enemy returned fire with AK-47 and ran to north. Fired 106's and 81mm mortar mission in area. At 1050H, vic YD 096262 B/1/9 patrol called for pre-planned 60mm mission. 5 rounds were short resulting in 5 USMC WIAE. At 1300H, I/3/9 vic YD 270300 received S/A fire from 1 A/W, returned S/A fire. At 1400H, vic YD 259301 received S/A and A/W fire. Results 2 USMC KIA and 1 WIA. At 1600H, I/3/9 found 25 packs, 3 medical packs and some documents. At 1630H, C/1/9 platoon patrol vic YD 036200 while moving to planned night position, 1 enemy jumped

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out in front of point man and fired; unit returned fire killing the NVA. At same time patrol received S/A and A/W fire from 150 meters to the west. Fire was returned plus 81mm mission and gunships. Patrol spotted 5-6 NVA running into small ravine. Patrol continued pursuit with no further contact. Results 1 USMC WIAE and 1 USMC WIANE and 1 NVA KIA. (SitRep 187, 188 and 189)

- 11 Dec At 1345H, C/1/9 patrol vic YD 026199 received A/W fire from estimated NVA squad. Returned fire and called 81mm mission. Enemy broke contact. Patrol pursued with no further contact. At 1300H, I/3/9 vic YD 261307 in checking area of previous days contact found 3 NVA hooches, 25 lbs rice, 5 lbs of salt, 1 gal salad oil, 1 claymore mine, 20 AK-47 magazines, 1 82mm mortar tube, 24 82mm mortar rounds, 7 60mm mortar rounds, 1500 AK-47 rounds, 3 mortar fuses, 1 assault rifle and misc 782 gear. Hut and rice burned. At 1700H, 1st plt, E/2/9 activated as SPARROW HAWK and chopped OPCON to 3d Mar Div. (SitRep 192)
- 12 Dec At 0800H, E/2/9 plt returned from SPARROW HAWK and 2/9 assumed OPCON. LZ at YD 267279 designated as LZ DUNKIE capacity 1 CH-46. At 1110H, I/3/9 vic YD 256305 received 20 rounds S/A fire and saw 1 NVA. I/3/9 returned fire resulting in 1 NVA KIA. At 1125H, M/3/9 vic YD 221305 found 1 LOH-6 (Army type) helicopter with #15417 on tail of plane. Also found 1 badly decomposed NVA body in body bag. 1 NVA KIA. At 1540H, helilift of L/3/9 to vic YD 256305 commenced, completed at 1615H. At 1250H, M/3/9 vic YD 223302 found 1 NVA grave containing 1 decomposed body. 1 NVA KIA. (SitRep 195, 196)
- 13 Dec At 0930H, I/3/9 vic YD 254304 found 2 graves. Graves revealed only bones. 2 NVA KIA. At 1045H, I/3/9 vic YD 256303 found bunker complex with 57 bunkers, 16 NVA structures, 4 57mm RR rounds, 2 130mm rocket rounds, 33 60mm mortar rounds, 1 82mm mortar round, 1 SKS rifle, 8000 AK-47 rounds, 15 AK-47 magazines, 35 38 cal rounds. All ordnance destroyed. At 1200H, I/3/9 vic YD 251303 found a complex of 35 bunkers, 7 SKS rifles, and 13 graves with (2W/E8) on markers. 13 NVA KIA. At 1530H, I/3/9 vic YD 244313 found 4 bunkers, 1 NVA structure, 1 field sewing machine (pearl), 4,500 blasting caps, 30 AK-47 rounds, 1 AK-47 magazine. At 1630H, vic YD 242314 I/3/9 found 4 NVA bunkers, 2 RPG rounds, 1 SKS rifle. Destroyed bunkers and ordnance. At 1720H, L/3/9 vic YD 268307 found 60 newly constructed bunkers, 10 were torn down, 72 82mm rounds, 9 RPG rounds, 2 AD-47's, 3 grease guns, 1 BAR (U.S. type), 8 SK-44 auto sniper rifles, 3 82mm sights, 5000 rounds of 7.62 ammo, 50 magazines and assorted 782 gear and documents. (SitRep 199, 200)

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- 14 Dec At 0930H, I/3/9 vic YD 249301 found 2 new SMG's and 2 rifles (CZECH) and assorted documents in bunker complex. At 1030H, M/3/9 vic YD 237313 found 5 bunkers, 1 can of increments, 19 82mm mortar rounds and 4 cans of lubricant. Ammo destroyed. At 1150H, I/3/9 vic YD 2433 found 5 bunkers, 1 SKS rifle, 1 SMG, 1 M-1 carbine, 1 portable megaphone with mike, and misc gear. Bunkers destroyed, gear retained. At 1215H, I/3/9 vic YD 251315 found 1 grave with body appeared to be female. 1 NVA KIA. At 1210H, I/3/9 vic YD 241306 found 1 bunker, 250 AK-47 rounds, 1 microphone, 1 chicom grenade, 12 blasting caps, 15 RPG rounds, 10 60mm rounds and misc 782 gear. At 1345H, C/1/9 commenced lift, completed at 1435H. At 1630H, M/3/9 vic YD 238317 found bunker complex with 6 AK-47's, 4 SMG, 8 SKS's. At 1700H, L/3/9 vic YD 264309 found 2000 rounds AK-47 ammo, 1 AK-47, 1 SKS, 2 122mm rocket rounds and 1 tripod mounted weapon (possible RR) which weighs about 80 lbs. Ordnance destroyed, weapons retained. At 1700H, M/3/9 vic YD 233317 found 5 NVA structures and 2 bunkers, 2 unmarked graves for 2 NVA KIA. Also misc gauze and battle dressings. (SitRep 203, 204 and 205)
- 15 Dec At 0900H, K/3/9(-) commenced helo assault, completed at 1020H. At 1050H, M/3/9 commenced helo assault and completed at 1120H. At 1540H, K/3/9 vic YD 267315 local security patrol spotted 25 NVA with packs and rifles. Contact was made, NVA dispersed. AO made strafing and rocket runs following heavy exchange of S/A fire. 81mm mortars and artillery mission called in. No casualties. (SitRep 207, 209)
- 16 Dec At 1000H, D/1/9 vic YD 100200 received several burst of AK-47 fire and S/A fire from the west and southwest. Returned fire and called in 60mm and 81mm mortars and artillery mission. Results 2 USMC WIAE and 1 KC scout WIA. At 1145H, M/3/9 vic YD 242333 reported being in contact with unknown size NVA force. NVA broke contact. Results 1 NVA KIA and 1 AK-47 captured. At 1330H, D/1/9 commenced lift to TSL, completed 1505H. At 1515H, D/1/9 chopped to TF Hotel and 4th Mar same DTG. At 1600H, A/1/9 patrol vic YD 185176 found misc 782 gear and 24 60mm mortar rounds. All were destroyed. At 1130H, LtGen BUSE and party inspected 9th Mar Hq Forward at FSB DICK. (SitRep 212, 213)
- 17 Dec At 1005H, L/3/9 vic YD 276293 found NVA Camp site with 2 fighting holes and 2 graves. 2 NVA KIA.

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At 1500H, vic XD 812453-51 montagnards with belongings turned themselves in to 2/9 at CA LU. Said they came from XA MOC BAI area. (SitReps 215, 216)

- 18 Dec** At 1045H, I/3/9 commenced lift to FSB HENDERSON, completed at 1145H and 2/9 assumed OPCON of I/3/9. At 1245H, 2/9 assumed OPCON of E/2/9. At 1300H, A/1/9 vic YD 214283 found 14 82mm rounds, 30 fuses and 2 cans of increments and charges. All gear destroyed. At 1600H, C/1/9 vic YD 182251 patrol found body in grave, 1 NVA knife and 1 9mm pistol. 1 NVA KIA. Also found vic YD 170277 8 60mm mortar rounds. At 1435H, 1/9 at FSB SHILOH reported a CH-53 landed on LZ blowing ashes and embers into brush and fire swept up hill to parapet where ammo was stored. Fire extinguished with minimum loss of equipment and no casualties. (SitRep 219, 220)
- 19 Dec** At 0030H, VCB a squad leader from E/2/9 and his radio man were checking the lines and the radio man was shot 4 times by friendly rifle fire. He died at 0200H. At 1050H, C/1/9 commenced lift to vic YD 198305, completed at 1120H. At 1130H, G/2/9 vic YD 012453 at CA LU had 11 montagnards requesting to go to CAM LO. Hq 9th Mar S-2 set up transportation for 1500H. At 1430H, vic YD 223260 A/1/9 found 1 CH-53 downed chopper estimated to be 1 year old. Found human bones and ID tags with names WHITE, R 2353781, PORTLAND, G.J. 2266513 and BERRY, K.D. 235949. Also found 1 watch with name SCHRAM, F.L. engraved on back. At 1630H, found 4 ID cards with names of NICHOLSON, D.D. 2323079, FREEMAN, G.W. 2200577, DIAZ, D. 2347916, DAY H.R. 2152524. Also 2 45 cal pistols #936454 and 2130875. At 1330H, E/2/9 lift to Signal Hill and 950 commenced and was completed at 1455H. At 1445H, F/2/9 assumed SHARROW HAWK/BALD EAGLE requirement. W Battery lift to vic YD 234358 commenced at 1430H and completed at 1730H. At 1605H, B/1/9 commenced lift to vic YD 198324 and was completed at 1650H. (SitRep 222, 224)
- 20 Dec** At 1145H, I/3/9 vic YD 098395 found old partly destroyed hooch and 275 cases of 7.92mm ammo, 50 cases of 7.62 ammo, 24 cases of 45 cal ammo and 6 cases of TNT. At 1145H, I/3/9 vic YD 098395 found 2 Thompson SMG's, 8 cases of 50 cal ammo, 7 cases of TNT, 105 cases of 7.92 ammo, 60 cases of 7.62 ammo. At 1450H, I/3/9 vic YD 066425 found a hooch 4x4x4' and a bamboo hooch 2x6x10' about 100 meters from river with 466 sand bags filled with fresh rice estimated to be 900 lbs of rice.

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CP/1/9 commenced lift to FSB DICK at 1630H, completed at 1705H. C/1/9 commenced lift to YD 194295 and completed at 1750H. At 1530H, C/1/9 vic YD 193295 found what TPA team said was a way station with 3 women detainees. Also found 2 carbines, radio tubes, 2 boxes of transisters (50 lbs), power pack (crank), a radio, 1 typewriter, 3 NVA packs, some documents dated May 68, medical supplies in a pack and assorted 782 gear and clothing. (SitRep 227, 228 and 229)

- 21 Dec** At 0910H, B/1/9 commenced lift to vic YD 172290, completed at 0930H. At 1030H, vic Hill 950 E/2/9 patrol found 60mm mortar dud; while waiting for clearance to blow it was accidentally set off. Resulting in 1 USMC WIAE. (SitRep 231, 232)
- 22 Dec** At 0815H, M/3/9 commenced lift to VCB, completed at 0855H. At 0855H, L/3/9 commenced lift to VCB, completed at 1020H. (SitRep 235)
- 23 Dec** At 1250H, 3/9 at VCB received 10-15 incoming rockets resulting in 4 WIA. At 1300H, VCB 2/9 received 10-15 rockets resulting in 11 WIAE and 1 KIA. At 1800H chopped M/3/9 to TF Hotel who chopped to 3d Mar Div same DTG. (SitRep 240)
- 24 Dec** At 1145H, K/3/9 plt lift to VCB commenced, completed at 1630H. At 1000H, Hq 9th Mar lift to VCB commenced and completed at 1345H. At 1630H, C/1/9 commenced lift to VCB, completed at 1700H. B/1/9(-) lift to VCB commenced at 1700H, completed at 1800H. A/1/9(-) lift to VCB commenced at 1800H and completed at 1850H. (SitRep 244)
- 25 Dec** At 1010H, A/1/9 lift commenced to VCB and completed at 1050H. At 1045H, lift of E/2/12 and B/1/9 commenced and completed at 1140H. Lift of D/2/12 and I/3/9 commenced at 1500H and completed at 1805H. At 1835H, 3/9 assumed OPCON of I/3/9 from 2/9. (SitRep 246, 2)
- 26 Dec** At 0945H, 3/9 chopped to TF Hotel. At 1300H, 1/9 assumed OPCON of G/2/9. (SitRep 5)
- 27 Dec** At 1130H, C/1/9 vic YD 025450 patrol while crossing river had 1 man drown. At 1500H, G/2/9 chopped to 3/9. (SitRep 8, 9)

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- 28 Dec At 1000H, 1/9 chopped to TF Hotel. At 1130H, 9th Mar assumed OPCON of Div SPARROW HAWK from C/I/11. At 1100H, 9th Mar assumed OPCON of 3/9. At 1515H, 3/9 returned to VCE. At 1030H, body of drowned marine was found. 1 USMC NBC. Body medevaced. At 1600H, K/3/9 chopped to 2/9. (SitRep 12, 13)
- 29 Dec At 1015H, L/3/9 commenced lift to FSB HOLCOMB, completed at 1120H. M/3/9 assault to Hill 660 vic YD 096444. Commenced lift to LZ NANCY, completed at 1315H, chopped to TF Hotel same DTG. Platoon I/3/9 lift commenced from VCB to FSB HENDERSON at 1330H, completed at 1400H. Platoon H/2/9 lift from FSB HENDERSON to VCB commenced at 1330H, completed at 1400H. At 1315H, plt K/3/9 commenced lift to Hill 950, completed at 1340H. Platoon E/2/9 commenced lift from Hill 950 to VCB at 1315H, and completed at 1345H. Platoon K/3/9 lift to 691 commenced at 1345H, completed at 1420H. Platoon H/2/9 commenced lift from Hill 691 to VCB at 1345H, completed at 1420H. Platoon I/3/9 lift to Signal Hill commenced and completed at 1440H. Platoon K/3/9 lift to FSB CATES commenced and completed at 1440H. Platoon K/3/9 lift to FSB CATES commenced at 1330H, completed at 1430H. H/2/9 plt lift to VCB commenced at 1330H, completed at 1430H. At 1545H, H/2/9 assumed SPARROW HAWK/BALD EAGLE. (SitRep 16, 17)
- 30 Dec At 0930H, 2/9 commenced move to CUA VIET, by convoy arrived at 1315H. At 1055H, B/1/9 chopped to 4th Mar. At 0930H, 2/9 chopped to 3d Mar Div. (SitRep 21)
- 31 Dec At 0800H, L/3/9 lift to VCB commenced, completed at 1030H. At 0820H, M/3/9 lift to VCB commenced, completed at 0855H. At 0915H, CP/3/9 lift to FSB CATES commenced, completed at 0930H. At 1030H, 1/9 assumed OPCON of M, L/3/9. LZ constructed at YD 147463 named LZ NOVEL. (SitRep 24, 25)

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**3. Training.**

a. Tactical commitments and continual movement of Headquarters Company and OPCON Battalions precluded an extensive training program; However, formal schools, small unit instruction, and on the job training were utilized.

b. In country indoctrination was held as new men joined the Regiment.

c. Formal schools attended by Headquarters Company personnel were:

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>NO DAYS</u>	<u>LOC</u>	<u>ATT</u>
Personal Response Course	2	QUANG TRI	1
Scout Sniper School	4	QUANG TRI	4

**4. Statistical breakdown by units of the operational action of the 9th Marines during the reporting period.**

<u>a. Activities</u>	<u>Fire Tm</u>	<u>Squad</u>	<u>Platoon</u>	<u>Company</u>
OP	12	78		
LP	286	128		
Ambush (day)		5		
Ambush (night)		34	1	
Recon patrol (day)		23	11	
Security patrol (day)		19		
Security patrol (night)		4		
Combat patrol		128	107	
Search and destroy				24
Clearing				2

b. From 1 Dec 68 to 31 Dec 68 9th Marines (-)(Rein) conducted operations in the DAWSON RIVER AO south of the DA KRONG/BA LONG River Valleys.

**5. Casualties and damage inflicted on the enemy.****a. Personnel**

(1) NVA KIA 54  
 (2) Detainees 197

**b. Weapons Captured**

(1) IWC 67  
 (2) CSWC 5

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c. Munitions

(1)	Mines	7
(2)	122mm rocket rounds	29
(3)	57mm RR rounds	14 (1 Dud)
(4)	75mm RR rounds	8
(5)	AT mines	2
(6)	AP mines	1
(7)	M-79 rounds	9
(8)	Blasting caps	4,792
(9)	TNT	299 $\frac{1}{4}$ pounds
(10)	Dynamite	4 sticks
(11)	Small arms rounds	291,196
(12)	500 pound bomb	1 (dud)
(13)	250 pound bomb	1 (dud)
(14)	155mm round	1 (dud)

d. Structures destroyed

(1)	Bunkers destroyed	1,057
(2)	Structures destroyed	458
(3)	Fighting holes destroyed	1,552
(4)	Tunnels destroyed	18
(5)	Caves destroyed	6

e. Foodstuffs

(1)	Rice	33,892	pounds
(2)	Wheat	650	pounds
(3)	Corn	2,866	pounds
(4)	Salt	5	pounds
(5)	Rye	100	pounds
(6)	Tobacco	215 $\frac{1}{2}$	pounds
(7)	Grain	40	pounds

6. Friendly casualties sustained during the reporting period.

KIA 4 WIAE 35 WIANE 5

7. New techniques employed. None8. Equipment.

a. The following is a report of the readiness of major items of combat essential equipment:

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(1) <u>Motor Transport</u>	<u>Allowance</u>	<u>OH</u>	<u>OpReady</u>
Truck, Utility, M151A1	15	14	13
Truck, Cargo, M37	2	2	2
Trailer, Water, M107	3	3	3

(2) Communications

<u>Item</u>	<u>Allowance</u>	<u>OH</u>	<u>OpReady</u>
MRC-83	2	2	1
MRC-87	2	2	1
AN/GRA-39	8	4	4
KY-8	6	6	4
TRC-27B	10	8	7
PU-278	20	18	18
PRC-25	9	9	9
RT-524	4	4	4

b. Major end items previously evacuated to higher echelon maintenance facilities that have not been returned.

(1) Motor Transport

<u>Item</u>	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Location</u>
Decontamination unit M-8	1	FLSG-B

(2) Communications

<u>Item</u>	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Location</u>
AN/GGC-3	2	FLSG-B
AN/TGC-14	1	FLSG-B
TS-1324	1	FLSG-B
TS-102B	1	FLSG-B
ME-25A	1	FLSG-B
RT-505	1	FLSG-B
ID-101	2	FLSG-B
C-2328	4	FLSG-B

c. Battle losses not replaced:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Qty</u>
AN/GGC-3	2
AN/TGC-14	1
AN/TRC-75	2

ME-25A/U	1
AN/IRC-27	2
AN/GRA-39	3

**9. Logistics.**

**a. Supply and distribution**

(1) Force Logistics Support Group Bravo was the primary source of supply and maintenance for Headquarters Company, 9th Marines and Infantry Battalions under the OPCON of 9th Marines.

**b. Resupply**

(1) Resupply figures, by Class, of supply to battalions under OPCON to the 9th Marines were as follows:

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POUNDS</u>
I	279,760
II	401,354
III	21,118
IV	13,580
V	314,465

(2) Total resupply figures for OPCON battalions are as follows:

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POUNDS</u>
1st Bn, 9th Marines	287,531
2nd Bn, 9th Marines	183,335
3rd Bn, 9th Marines	561,631
Hq Co, 9th Marines	6,240

(3) Hot meals were provided by battalion rears located at VCB to units in the field as the tactical situation permitted.

**c. Supported Strength**

(1) The average supported strength for the 9th Marines for the month of December was 3,021.

**d. Transportation**

(1) Surface transportation utilized Route 1, between QUANG TRI and DONG HA and Route 9, between DONG HA and VCB.

(2) Hq Co, 9th Marines organic transportation has been satisfactory. Two vehicles are presently deadlines. One vehicle is in the process of being categorized Code H and the other is NORM.

(3) 2nd Platoon, Company A, 3d Motor Transport Battalion is in direct support of 9th Marines.

(4) Air transportation was provided by TF Hotel from MAG-36 and MAG-39. Helicopters were used for resupply, medical evacuation and troop lifts under routine and emergency conditions.

(5) A total of 515.1 tons of resupply was moved by helicopter during December.

e. Engineer Support

(1) Company C, 3d Engineer Battalion provided direct support to 9th Marines. Engineer support continued to be very satisfactory.

f. Services Situation

(1) This Regiment used showers, bakery, ice and laundry services located at DONG HA and VCB.

(a) Electrical power provided by the 11th Engineer Battalion at QUANG TRI COMBAT BASE is adequate to support the 9th Marines facilities.

g. Headquarters Supply Situation

(1) Headquarters Company has no shortage in supply personnel.

(2) Statistical data on Priority 02 Requisitions:

(a) 86 Priority 02 requisitions unfilled at the end of last period.

(b) 10 Priority 02 requisitions unfilled during reporting period.

(c) 2 Priority 02 requisitions completed during reporting period.

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(d) 94 Priority 02 requisitions unfilled at end of period.

(3) Priority 02 requisitions unfilled consists of the following general categories:

- (a) Communications T/E items and repair parts.
- (b) Motor Transport repair parts.
- (c) Messhall equipment.

**h. Medical.**

(1) Casualties requiring treatment beyond the organic RAS and BAS were evacuated to 3d Medical Battalion, QUANG TRI, and C Company, 3d Medical Battalion, located at VCB.

(2) There were no medical problems encountered during this reporting period.

**10. Civic Action.**

a. The 9th Marines has temporarily been relieved of the responsibility for civic action in the 3d Mar Div AO. The 12th Marines assumed the responsibility during the interim period.

**11. Psychological warfare.**

a. During the reporting period 38 aerial psyops missions were flown using both loudspeakers and leaflet drops. Additionally, mobile ground psyops teams were employed with both a Vietnamese and Bru speaking capability. Results of the psyops effort for the month of December is reflected in the 197 Bru who voluntarily turned themselves in to be resettled.

**12. Personnel and Administration.**

**a. Personnel.**

**(1) Enlisted MOS Shortages**

MOS	RANK	SHORTAGE
0311	E-2/E-3	6
1111	E-4	1
2112	E-4	1
2533	E-5/E-3	3
2542	E-4/E-3	3
2847	E-4	1

**(2) Rotations during the Month (CONUS)**

MC OFF	MC ENL	NAVY OFF	NAVY ENL
3	19	0	1

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(3) Replacements received during the Month

<u>MC OFF</u>	<u>MC ENL</u>	<u>NAVY OFF</u>	<u>NAVY ENL</u>
3	18	0	1

(4) Casualties None(5) Promotions

<u>SSGT</u>	<u>SGT</u>	<u>CPL</u>	<u>LCPL</u>
1	1	1	3

(6) Awards Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry - 5  
 Purple Heart - 2  
 Navy Commendation Medal - 1

b. Administration.

(1) Special Services. During the month of Dec, the Regimental Special Services program provided television for personnel at QUANG TRI, Coffee makers, pop corn machines and pre-recorded tapes for all personnel. Sweat shirts, shower shoes and assorted games were made available to all personnel. USO and Red Cross gifts as well as beer and soda were distributed to Headquarters Personnel for the Christmas and New Years holidays. On New Years Eve, a sing-along was produced.

(2) Discipline.

(a) No unusual problems.

(b) Courts Martials: Completed Pending

GCM	0	0
SPCM	1	0
SCM	0	0

(c) Regimental Commanders Office Hours - 1

(d) Company Commanders Office Hours - 2

(3) Marine PX, Postal Affairs and R&R.

(a) PX. The branch of the 3d Marine Division PX located at Division Headquarters for the use of the 9th Marines stocks an adequate supply of health and comfort items and some luxury items.

(b) Postal. Postal service during the month of Dec between Division and the 9th Marines was very good.

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(c) Headquarters Company, 9th Marines was allocated the following quotas for R&R during the month of December.

BANGKOK	- 4	HAWAII	- 4	HONG KONG	- 3	MANILA	- 1
KUALA LUMPUR	- 1	SINGAPORE	- 1	TAIPEI	- 4	OKINAWA	- 1
PENANG	- 1	SYDNEY	- 2	TOKYO	- 2		

(4) Chaplain Services.

(a) During the month of December the Regimental Chaplain conducted Catholic Divine Services at the Regimental Headquarters and in the battalions organic to the Regiment. Protestant Divine services were arranged by the Regimental Chaplain and conducted by Protestant Chaplains from the battalions. 14 Sunday Masses and 8 weekly Masses were celebrated with an overall attendance of 459 and 203 respectively.

The Regimental Chaplain gave 10 religious instructions and administered the Last Rites to 18 men.

(b) Unit Coverage.

2nd Bn, 12th Marines	- VCB
C Co, 3d Med Bn	- VCB

13. Intelligence.

a. General. Operation DAWSON RIVER AFTON continued through the month of December. The 9th Marines continued applying pressure to NVA/VC units in the DA KRONG River and southern BA LONG areas. There were no contacts with large enemy units, however, documents and equipment captured indicated the presence of the 7th Front Rear Service Headquarters, 812th Regiment and the 808 Bn.

The 1st Bn, 9th Marines, while operating in a southerly direction between the DA KRONG River and Laotian Salient had sporadic contacts with small units which appeared to be VC oriented. As the Battalion moved east of the DA KRONG River well developed trails were discovered. Significantly the 1st Bn discovered what appeared to be a way station with radio equipment, documents and 3 female detainees in the vicinity of YD 193295. During the same time frame other elements of the Battalion discovered a well used, well camouflaged trail on Hill 1108 (YD 199278) and a well developed trail approximately 8' wide leading north and south in the vicinity of YD 175253. The 3d Bn continued east from the DA KRONG Valley toward BA 101. The battalion discovered well developed trail networks and numerous caches.

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The Battalion found a significant communications cache in the vicinity of YD 168312. The cache was discovered along a trail and all equipment was new and in shipping containers.

The Regimental intelligence effort was initially hampered because of the lack of population and difficult terrain in the AO. Intelligence had to be developed utilizing Reconnaissance teams, old captured enemy overlays and the battalions discovery of trails, caches and documents.

b. Analysis. As the battalions moved to the east and southeast it became evident that the Regiment was working into a major infiltration route and enemy major Headquarters operating area. Communications equipment captured was packed for transport and documents found indicated 7th Front Rear Service Headquarters records. The movement of the 9th Marines Regiment applied pressure, hindering operations and possibly forced the element of the 7th Front to evacuate BA 101 and surrounding areas. The 9th Marines operation during the month of December probably contributed significantly in reducing VC pressure in the coastal area.

c. Administration. The 9th Marines S-2 was inspected by the CG inspecting team on 18 Dec 68. Results of the inspection were satisfactory with minor discrepancies, which are being corrected.

#### 14. Air Support.

##### a. Fixed Wing Support.

(1) During this period, the Regiment received adequate support. Most noteworthy were the effective landing zone preps, day attack aircraft and the outstanding aerial observation support. Other support included strikes against targets of opportunity, psy war, flareships, C-117 "Spooky", "Trail Dust", Red Eye and photo recon flights. Additionally, TPQ support was excellent and provided good support both day and night.

(2) 124 close air support missions were flown.

(3) 430 TPQ missions were flown, expending over 367 tons of ordnance. There were 137 day drops and 243 night drops.

(4) Tactical air observation support totaled 192 missions/320 hours. Missions included artillery adjustment, tactical air control and visual reconnaissance.

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- (5) 1 flareship mission.
- (6) 38 psy war missions.
- (7) 3 Trail Dust missions.
- (8) 3 Red Eye missions.
- (9) 1 photo mission.

b. CAS Bomb Damage Assessment.

(1) CAS.

- (a) 4 KBA
- (b) 32 bunkers destroyed; 20 damaged.
- (c) 1 50 cal AA gun destroyed; 1 50 AA gun damaged.
- (d) 3 fighting holes destroyed.
- (e) 30 meters trench destroyed.
- (f) 31 secondaries.

c. Helicopter Support.

(1) Helicopter support was excellent. Support was provided to conduct 29 tactical helicopter lifts. During the later part of this reporting period, C&C support was outstanding - a result of additional HU-1E (slicks) being assigned to the 3d Marine Division.

(2) A total of 7,721 troops were helilifted. Included are 29 tactical helicopter lifts and the displacement of 8 artillery batteries.

(3) 1,032,543 pounds of cargo was transported.

(4) Medevac helicopters flew 79 missions; evacuating 95 personnel.

(5) 603 helicopters were utilized by Regiment during this period.

d. Personnel and Equipment.

(1) All battalions have one (1) ALO and one (1) FAC assigned.

(2) The "Transponder Beacon" for FAC controlled air strikes was tested by both the Regimental ALO and 3/9's Battalion ALO. Results were outstanding, 2 additional "Beacons" have been requested.

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15. Fire Support.a. Artillery.

(1) General. The 2nd Bn (Rein), 12th Marines continued it's mission of Direct Support to 9th Marines. Numerous organizational changes and displacements occurred during the month to enable the battalion to accomplish the mission.

2 Dec OPCON W/3/12.  
 3 Dec 1st Prov 155 from FSB TUN TAVERN to FSB SHILOH.  
 3 Dec W/2/12 from FSB SHILOH to LZ BIGHORN.  
 6 Dec F/2/12 from FSB TUN TAVERN to FSB BARNETT.  
 7 Dec OPCON 3d Prov 155  
 12 Dec Chopped OPCON W/3/12.  
 12 Dec Chopped OPCON 2nd Prov 155.  
 14 Dec W/2/12 from LZ BIGHORN to VCB.  
 19 Dec 1st Prov 155 from FSB SHILOH to CA LU.  
 19 Dec D/2/12 from FSB SHILOH to FSB HENDERSON.  
 23 Dec CmdGrp from FSB DICK to VCB.  
 24 Dec F/2/12 from FSB BARNETT to CA LU.  
 24 Dec E/2/12 from FSB DICK to VCB.  
 25 Dec D/2/12 from FSB HENDERSON to CA LU.  
 28 Dec F/2/12 from CA LU to FSB HENDERSON.  
 28 Dec E/2/12 from VCB to CA LU.  
 31 Dec F/2/12 from FSB HENDERSON to FSB CATES.

(2) Significant events. All 9th Marines operations listed in PART III of this chronology were supported by 2/12.

(3) Types of missions fired.

Observed - 568 Unobserved - 1,367 H&I - 672

(4) Number of rounds fired.

105mm - 33,194 155mm - 5,763 107mm - 1,390

(5) Significant surveillances.

- (a) 6 WIA
- (b) 1 shelter destroyed
- (c) 1 cave destroyed
- (d) 11 bunkers destroyed
- (e) 22 secondary explosions

16. Communications-Electronics.

a. General. The 9th Marines Comm Platoon continued to provide communication support for operation DAWSON RIVER AFTON. On 16 and 18 Dec the Comm Platoon was inspected by 3d Mar Div. Final results of the inspection was satisfactory with noted discrepancies. The noted descrepancies have since been corrected.

b. Message Center. During the month of Dec the 9th Marines Message Center personnel continued to maintain a secure combat operations center teletype circuit between 9th Marines, VCB and 3d Marine Division, DONG HA. There were no major problems encountered during the month of Dec. Courier service from QUANG TRI to VCB and VCB to 9th Marines forward position, FSB DICK, continued to maintain regularly scheduled message runs with all traffic.

Total message traffic for Dec was 200 outgoing messages and 1,841 incoming messages. There were a total of 31 messages sent over the COC to CCC teletype circuit.

c. Wire. The advance CP was located at FSB DICK with 3 wire men maintaining an SB-22 switchboard. The Regimental CP remained in operation at FSB DICK until the 24th of Dec. At VCB two common users were installed to 9th Marines at QUANG TRI. This was done utilizing the AN/TRC-97 installed by TF Hotel. The wire section continued normal operations at VCB after the operation.

d. Radio. During the month of Dec Radio maintained communications from FSB DICK and VCB to all 3 battalions of the 9th Marines, and TF Hotel. These nets were the Div TAC 1, Regt TAC 2, and Div TAC IIA. There were some problems with frequency overrides which were corrected. A new key list for the KY-38 was effective on 27 Dec due to the compromise of the old list. There was trouble with the land lines which removed our radio equipment from Signal Hill. Back up equipment for all nets is maintained in the radio center at VCB. Began planning for Radio Comm involving a relay team to be sent to Hill 950 and an advance CP being set up in support of operation DAWSON RIVER WEST.

e. Radio Relay. During the month of Dec Radio Relay was completely dormant. An AN/MRC-62 Van from Division Comm Co was in use at FSB DICK to provide 4 channel comm to VCB. During the period a normal PM and maintenance was effected at both QUANG TRI and VCB.

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17. Regimental Scout Snipers.

a. During the month of December, Scout Snipers were utilized by all 9th Marines organic battalions.

b. Scout Snipers not assigned to battalions were utilized for CP security while the 9th Marines Hq conducted operations of FSB DICK from 1 Dec to 23 Dec 68.

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9TH MARINES AO-OVERLAY W/ Listing

Message 03-805H Subj: Spooky A/C Firing in  
9th Marines Grids

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~~SECRET~~

DRAFTER: 32/QHC:jcf RELEASED BY: U.P., NECRON (GAPP)

PRIORITY 292300 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINETH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL

INFO: 2ND BN, NINETH MAR  
3RD BN, NINETH MARBT  
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## TASK ORGANIZATION

A. CG, THIRD MAR DIV 261240Z DEC 68

B. IAW REF A THE FOLLOWING INFO IS SUBMITTED EFFECTIVE  
292400H DEC 68.

UNIT	STATION	STRENGTH
9TH MAR (PRIM)	VCB	17/196
2ND BN, 9TH MAR	VCB	42/934
3RD BN, 9TH MAR	VCB	44/1071
CO C, 3RD SHORE PTY BN	VCB	0/17
CO C, 3RD MIGR BN	VCB	2/19
G-5 (INTELLIGENTER)	VCB	0/4
G-5 (KIT BARSON)	VCB	0/6
DET F/2/12	VCB	5/13 (FO'S)
DET H/2/12	VCB	3/13 (FO'S)
9TH MT BN	VCB	0/1

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TAB B (SITREPs)

1. DAWSON RIVER AFTON, #150-246, 30 Nov-25 Dec 1968
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DRAFTER: BW/APK: rjk

RELEASED BY: APKOSZARSKY 1/LT.

A.P. Koszarsky 1ST LT

IMMEDIATE 611125

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ADV. TO 6-3

HAS BEEN SENT

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF NOBEL

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~~PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE~~ - ~~Dec~~  
 SITREP NR 150 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 302400H-010600H ~~NOV~~ 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
  - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.
  - B. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
  - C. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
  - D. PLANS:
    - A. AT 1200H, I/3/9 WILL HELOLIFT INTO LZ MIAMI.
    - B. ALL OTHER UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
  - A. FRIENDLY: KIA 6 WIA 3
  - B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 15 DETAINES: TOTAL 19 (VC) 1 INN CIV 69
  - C. INC 6 CSWC 1

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TOD: WIA 6/6, KIA 15/2, REG 6/01-012/ERB/RDD/DTW, 01 11 352/

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DRAFTER: 3W/GAM &amp; RJK

RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/LT.

*G.A. Miller*IMMEDIATE 811410

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FROM: NINTH MAR

ADV. TO G-S  
HAS BEEN SENTTO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BTREFRESHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 151 OF DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 010600H-011200H ~~NOV~~ 68*dec.*1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

K/3/9 YD 162318 &amp; MOVING

ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACYS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE5. PLANS:A. K/3/9(-) WILL CNT CO (-) MOVEMENT TO VIC YD 173319.  
B. I/3/9 WILL COMPLETE THEIR LIFT TO LZ MIAMI.  
C. ALL OTHER UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: WIAE 6 WIAME 3

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 15 DETAINEES TOTAL 19 (VC) 1 INN CIV 69

C. IWC 6 CSWC 1

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DRAFTER: BM/GAM:rjk

RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/TM.

IMMEDIATE 030210

Z NOV 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

ALV TJ G-3

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BT~~CONFIDENTIAL: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE~~  
SITREP NR 152 OP DAUSON RIVER AFTON FROM 011200H-011800H NOV 681. UNIT LOCATIONS:

I/3/9 YD 152337  
 K/3/9 YD 172319  
 M/3/9 YD 170291

ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

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2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. I/3/9 LIFTED TO VIC YD 154335 AT 1225H. AND COMPLETED  
LIFT AT 1340H.

B. ALL OTHER UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING  
DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 011030H, VIC YD 104236 D/1/9 FOUND A TRAIL BIG ENOUGH  
FOR 1 PERSON RUNNING E TO W. NO SIGNS OF RECENT USE. CHECKED  
TRAIL 75 METERS DOWN FINGER W/NEG RESULTS.

B. AT 011230H, VIC YD 097238 TO YD 079241 D/1/9 FOUND AND  
FOLLOWED A TRAIL BETWEEN ABOVE GRIDS, TRAIL WAS 4" TO 5" WIDE  
SLIGHTLY GROWN OVER & NOT USED WITHIN 2 MONTHS.

C. AT 1700H, VIC YD 085245 D/1/9 SPOTTED PERSONNEL MOVE-  
MENT ESTIMATED 2 PEOPLE. COULD NOT CONFIRM ENEMY ON BRU.  
REQUESTED AO.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN A ND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING  
NIGHT ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 6 WIANE 3

B. ENEMY: KIA (C) 1 DETAINEE TOTAL 19 (VC) 1 INN CIV 69

C. IWC 6 CSWC 1

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DRAFTER: JU/GEW: [REDACTED]

RELEASED BY 6-3, 1981

IMMEDIATE *(Signature)* DTG 68

FROM: NINTH MA R ADV TO G-3

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BT[REDACTED]: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 153 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 011800H-012400H NOV 681. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE ENTRY: AT 1720H, VIC YD 106259, D/1/9 OBSERVED

1 ELEPHANT, ANIMAL NOT CARRYING ANYTHING. NO PERS OBSERVED IN VIC OF ANIMAL. AO WILL CHECK AREA IN AM.

B. LATE ENTRY: AT 1230H, A/1/9 VIC YD 042257 PATROL FOUND 5 NVA STRUCTURES MADE OF BAMBOO &amp; LEAVES WHICH CONTAINED VARIOUS COOKING UTENSILS, 2000 LBS. OF RICE IN ATTICS &amp; BAGS. ALSO FOUND WERE VARIOUS DOCUMENTS, 1 CROSS BOW, 1 SPEAR, &amp; 1 SWORD. STRUCTURES &amp; RICE BURNED; GEAR RETURNED TO CP.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

D-20, E-3, I-1, J-1, AA-9, CC-9, EE-3.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: WIAE 6 WIAME 3

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 13 DETAINEES: TOTAL 19(VC) 1 INN CIV 69

C. IWC 6 CSWC 1

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:

UNIT	NR TMS	NR TMS	EMPL	COORDS	RESULTS
1/9	3	3	3	YD 097233	N/A
2/9	3	3	3	VCD	N/A
3/9	1	1	1	YD 058327	N/A
HQCO	3	3	3	YD 143334	N/A

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BT TUD 030250Z/VIA COURIER/AUB/RDD/CCN=061 DTG: 030212Z DEC68

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DRAFTER: 3W/GIN:rjk

RELEASED BY: G.L. WIESCAMP 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 0302 14 Z DEC 68

ADV TO G-3

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL

~~ENTITLED~~: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 154 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 012400H-020600H NOV 681. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A(-)/1/9 YD Q45250	CP/E/F/G/2/9 VCB	L/CP/3/9 YD 058326
A(3d PLT)/1/9 YD 344335	H/2/9 YD 080270	M/3/9 YD 170291
B(+)/1/9 YD 105267	H/2/4 YD CA LU	
C/1/9 YD 985546	I/3/9 YD 152337	
D/CP/1/9 YD 098233	K/3/9 YD 172319	

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE5. PLANS:

A. E/2/9 MOVES TO TSL TO RELEIVE C/1/9.

B. ALL AT ABOUT 021030H, (PLT)F/2/9 LIFTS FROM VCB TO SIGNAL HILL. (PLT) B/1/9 LIFTS FROM SIGNAL HILL TO FSB DICK. 81 MORTAR SECTION LIFTS TO D/1/9 POS YD 098233. C/1/9 ASSAULTS TO VIC YD Q43213. H/2/9 LIFTS TO VCB. 81 MORTAR SECTION LIFTS FROM FSB SHILOH TO LZ PUSAN. 1 SQUAD 4.2 MORTARS LIFT FROM FSB SHILOH TO VIC YD Q43213. PLT FROM A/1/9 LIFTS FROM FSB DICK TO LZ PUSAN.

C. ALL OTHER UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: -

A. FRIENDLY: WIAE 6 WIAME 3

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 15 DETAINES: TOTAL 19 (VC) 1 MM CIV 69

C. IWC 6 CSWC 1

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DRAFTER: 3W/APK rjk

RELEASED BY: A.P. KOSZARSKY 1/LT

Koszarsky 155

IMMEDIATE 1300 16

Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

ADV TO 2-3

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BTPERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 155 OF DALSON RIVER AFTON FROM 020600H-021200H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

F/2/9 AT SIGNAL HILL

B/1/9 YD 142334

ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. THE RELIEF OF A/1/9 PLT AT FSB BY B/1/9 PLT STARTED AT 1025H AND COMPLETED AT 1040H.

B. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

## 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 0935H, D/1/9 ATROI, VIC YD 102244 FOUND A ELEPHANT TRAIL. FOLLOWED SMALL TRAIL OFF MAIN TRAIL TO A N A PEA BIG ENOUGH TO BED 10 ELEPHANTS. RPT'D AS A DEFINITE CONVOY REST AREA. AREA HAS BEEN USED FREQUENTLY.

## 5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: WIAE 6 WIANE 3

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 1 DETAINERS TOTAL 19 (VC) 1 IMM CIV 69

C. INC 6 CSWC 1

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DRAFTER: 3W/APK/Jk

RELEASED BY S.A.P., KOSZARSKY M/LT.

IMMEDIATE 640550

Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

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TO: CG, TF HOTEL

SUBJECT: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP IR 156 OF DAUSON RIVER AFTON PRGI: 021200H-021800H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATION:

E/2/9 AT TSL

D/1/9(PLT) YD 110245

C/1/9 TSL

I/3/9(PLT) YD 178327

K/3/9 (PLT) YD 165322 ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

- A. AT 1330H, G/2/9 AND H/2/9 WAS CHOPPED OPCON TO 4TH MAR.
- B. AT 1345H, H/2/9 WAS LIFTED FROM LZ TUBA TO VCB AND WAS CHOPPED OPCON TO 2/9 SAME DTG.
- C. AT 1800H, H/2/9 WAS LIFTED FROM VCB TO LZ ANIE AND CHOPPED OPCON TO TF HOTEL AT SAME DTG.
- D. AT 1630H, G/2/9 AND H/2/4 WAS CHOPPED BACK TO 9TH MAR OPCON.
- E. ALL OTHER UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEFID POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

## 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- A. AT 1215H, D/1/9 VIC YD 103233 FOUND AN ANTI-PERSONNEL MINE (RESEMBLES A BOUICING BETTY). ENGINEERS WILL BLOW IT.
- B. AT 1245H, K/3/9 VIC YD 168312 FOUND THE FOLLOWING CACHE: 1 82MM RND, 1 57MM RR RND, 1 82MM GAS RND, 10 EMPTY 82MM BOXES, 5 CASES OF NEW 1.5 VOLT BATTERIES, 2 BOXES OF WAX WHAT APPEARS TO BE A SWITCH BOARD FOR LAID LINES 250-300 FT OF COMM WIRE WITH RESISTERS, 1 6x4x5 INCH BATTERY AND 1 NEW ORIENTAL RADIO. DESTROYED ALL GEAR EXCEPT GAS RND AND ELECTRONIC GEAR. ALL GEAR WAS OF ORIENTAL ORIGIN.
- C. AT 1300H, A/1/9 VIC YD 031254 FOUND A BAMBOO AND BANANA LEAVE HOOTCH. ONLY THING FOUND IN AREA WAS A RUBBER COVERED COVERED CARDBOARD TUBE 4" DIAMETER X 3' LONG.
- D. AT 1340H, D/1/9 VIC YD 100234 FOUND 1 PUNGI STAKE PIT AND 1 PINEAPPLE GRENADE IN SAME AREA. DESTROYED PIT AND BLEW GRENADE.
- E. AT 1353H, A/1/9 VIC YD 034259 FOUND TRAIL AND FRESH TRACKS MADE TODAY. CONTINUED TO SEARCH TRAIL AREA.
- F. AT 1430H, K/3/9 VIC YD 168312 FOUND 2 FIELD GENERATORS WITH FIELD CARRYING STRAPS ATTACHED, 1 NEW SWITCHBOARD, 8 PINTS OF HYDROCHLORIC ACID, 5 LBS. TNT. THE SWITCHBOARD AND GENERATORS WERE STILL IN CRATERS.
- G. AT 1440H, A/1/9 VIC YD 033258 FOUND A TRAIL WITH FRESH TRACKS MADE TODAY. NEAR AN INTERSECTION IN TRAIL THEY FOUND A SNIPER POS WITH EMPTY CARTRIDGES NEAR BY. ALSO FOUND HUT AND A BUNKER WITH A TUNNEL IN IT. USED GRENADE IN TUNNEL WITH NEG RESULTS.

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5. PLANS:  
A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:  
A. FRIENDLY: WIAE 6 WIAME 1  
B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 1 DETAINES TOTAL 19(VC) 1 INN CIV 69  
C. IWC 6 CSVC 1

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DRAFTER: 3W/CAT: yjk

RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/LT.

IMMEDIATE 641055Z Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

CPL #115

TO: CG, TF HOTEL

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~~REF ID: A641055Z DEC 68~~  
 SITREP HR 157 OP DAUSON RIVER AFTON FROM 021800H-022400H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS. D-26, J-3, E-4, AA-7, CC-7, BB-1

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: WIAE 6 WIANE 3

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 15 DETAINES: TOTAL 19(VC) 1 INN CIV 69

C. IVC 6 CSWC 1

7. SNIPERS REPORT:

UNIT	HR TMS	HR TMS	EMPL	COORDS	RESULTS
1/9	3		3	YD 097233	N/A
2/9	3		3	VCB	N/A
3/9	1		1	YD 058327	N/A
HQCO	3		3	YD 143334	N/A

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DRAFTER: 3W/GAM: rjk

RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/LT.

IMMEDIATE 040554Z Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

CCN # 16

TO: CG, TF HONOL

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~~SOURCE~~: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 158 CP DAWSON RIVER AFTOJ FROM 022400H-030600H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
  - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.
  - B. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
  - C. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS:
  - A. AT 031030H, C/1/9 WILL LIFT TO Y D 043213.
  - B. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
  - A. FRIENDLY: WIAE 6 WIANE 3
  - B. ENEMY: KIA (C) 150 DETAINEES TOTAL 19 (VC) 1 INN CIV 69
  - C. IWC 6 CSWC 1

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DRAFTER: JW/HW:jk

RELEASED BY C.G.U. WIESCAPM 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE *440556z*

Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

*OCT 17*TO: CG, 3RD REGT  
BTPERISHABLE INFO/PASS WIRELESS SERVICE  
SITREP NR 150 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON IN CM 030600H-031200H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. LEFT CAMP PT A/L/9 FROM HSB RICK TO PUSAN BEGAN  
AT 1015H, COMPLETED AT 2040H.B. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEP'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING  
DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 1000H, A/1/9 VIC 027262 FOUND 4-5 FIGHTING HOLES  
WHICH APPEARED TO BE 3 MONTHS OR MORE OLD. ALSO ON TRAIL  
RUNNING E TO W WERE FOUND FAIRLY FRESH ELEPHANT TRACKS. PATROL  
WILL CONTINUE ON ROUTE.B. AT 1200H, D/1/9 VIC 109237 PATROL FOUND CAVE NEXT TO  
RIVER. MOUTH OF CAVE IN APPROX. 7 FT OF WATER. GAVE APPROX.  
7 FT WIDE. NO SIGN OF ENEMY IN AREA.C. AT 1200H, A/1/9 VIC 022258 PATROL FOUND TRAIL 3-4 FT  
WIDE LEADING SW. ELEPHANT TRACKS AND DROPPINGS ABOUT 1 MONTH  
OLD WERE ALSO FOUND ON TRAIL.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEP'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING  
DAY ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: WIA 6 WIAME 3

B. ENEMY: KIA(0) 15

DETAINNEES: TOTAL 19 (VC) 1 INN CIV 69

C. IWC 6 CSWD 1

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DRAFTER: 3W/G. L. WIEGERT

RELEASED BY: G.L. WIESCAFP 1/LT.

a.P. Kozakosky 1SFC

IMMEDIATE 010558

Z DEC 68

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FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: OG, TF HOTEL  
BTDISPOSITION: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
STREP IR 160 OP DAWSON RIVER FROM 031200H-031800H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A/1/9 YD 045250	CP/F/3/2/9	VCB	K/3/9 YD 172319
B(-)/1/9 YD 105267	E/2/9 TSL	L/CP/3/9 YD 058326	
C/1/9 VCB	H/2/4 CA LU	M/3/9 YD 170291	
D/CP/1/9 YD 098233	I/3/9 YD 179327		

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. NEW FSB AT YD 199324 UNDER CONSTRUCTION NAMED FSB BARNETT.

## 5. PLANS:

A. MOVE C/1/9 TO VIC YD 043213.  
B. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: WIA 6 WIANE 3  
B. ENEMY: WIA (C) 15 DETAINES: TOTAL 19 (VC) 1 INN CIV 19  
C. IWC 6 OSWC 1

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DRAFTER: 3W/APK:jk

RELEASED BY: A.P. KOSZARSKY 1/LT.

A.P. Koszarsky 1ST LT.

IMMEDIATE 040600

Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, 2F HOTEL  
BTPERSIMILAR INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 161 OF DAUSON RIVER AFTON FROM 031800H-032400H DEC 68

CCN# 619

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: WIA 6 WIANE 3

B. ENEMY: KIA(0) DETAINES: TOTAL 19(VC) 1 INN CIV 69

C. IWC 6 CSWC 1

7. SCOUT SNIPERS REPORT:

UNIT	NR TMS	NR TMS EMPL	COORDS	RESULTS
1/9	2	2		N/A
2/9	1	1		"
3/9	2	2		"
HQCO	3	3		"

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A. P. Koszarsky 1<sup>ST</sup> LT.

DRAFTER: 3W/APK:rjk

RELEASED BY: A. P. KOSZARSKY 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 640602 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

NPA #20

TO: CG, TF HOTEL

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~~REF ID: A640602~~: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
 SITREP NR 162 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 032400H-040600H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
  - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS:
  - A. AT 1030H, C/1/9 WILL BE LIFTED TO VIC Y D 143213.
  - B. AT 1300H, K/3/9(-) WILL BE LIFTED TO FSB BARNETT.
  - C. ALL OTHER UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
  - A. FRIENDLY: WIAE 6 WIANE: 3
  - B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 15 DETAINES: TOTAL 19(VC) 1 INN CIV 69
  - C. INC 6 CSWC 1

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TOR: 040630Z/VIA COURIER/AGB/RDD/CCN-095 DTG: 040602Z DEC 68

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DRAFTER 93W/GAM/rjk

RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/LT.

IMMEDIATE 050820

Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BTADV. TO  
HAS BEEN SENTPCN  
6-3023SUBJ: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 163 OP DANS ON RIVER AFTON FROM 040600H-041200H DEC 681. UNIT LOCATIONS:

C/1/9 (2 PLT) YD 043213 REST OF CO AT VCB AWAITING LIFT.  
 ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. AT 1109H, C/1/9 COMM THEIR DELIBORNE ASSAULT TO VIC YD 043213.

B. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 0650H, VIC YD 098231, YD 101237, D/1/9 REC'D SQUAD (-) PROBE W/AUTO WEAPONS FIRE, CHINCOM, IRPG, & 2 60MM RDS. RETURNED AUTO UPIS FIRE, FIRED 60-81, ARTY QI AREA. SPOTTED 2 HVA AT POS 2. FIRED M-79, 82MM, ARTY. AT 0750H, 1ST PLT HEARD DIGGING & CHOPPING AT YD 098225. AO CHECKED AREA. RESULTED IN 3 WIAE'S.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 0415H, VIC YD 169319 E/3/9 FOUND 1 HVA STRUCTURE WITH 7 82MM MORTARS RDS. 4 RPG'S, 13 82MM FUSES, A IL CLEAR APPEARED OLD, DESTROYED ORDNANCE.

B. AT 0950H, VIC YD 095223 CLOSE AIR SUPPORT REC'D S/I FIRE FROM ABOVE GRID WITH NEG HITS.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN & D/F'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

B. TO COMPLETE C/1/9'S LIFT TO NEW POS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: WIAE 9 WIAME 6

B. ENEMY: KIA (C) 15 DETAINERS TOTAL 19 (VC) 1 IMM CIV 69

C. DNG 6 CS VC 1

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TOD:050840Z/VIA COURIER/K20/RDD/CCW-122 DTG:050820Z DECE68

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FROM: NINTH MAR

ADV. TO C-PDN  
HAS BEEN SENTTO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BTSITREP NR 164 PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 164 OF DAUSCI RIVER AFTON FROM 013200H-011800H DEC 68

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## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

C/1/9 YD 043213

ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

M/3/9 YD 189286

M/3/9(PLT) YD 170291

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. C/1/9 LIFT TO YD 043213 COMPLETED AT 041310H.

B. E/F 041310H, C/1/9 CHOPS OPCON FROM 2/9 BACK TO 1/9.

C. IN BN LZ'S LZ GOLD YD 173289, HASTINGS YD 177328, MOOSE YD 060348, MERRIMAC YD 123321, CHIEF YD 035361.

D. K/3/9 LIFT OF 70 PAX TO FSB BARBERS PT COM. AT 1420H COMPLETED AT 1530H.

E. E/2/9 COM LIFT FROM LZ ALICE TO VCB AT 1540H. COMPL AT 1705H.

F. AT 041700H, E/2/9 CHOPS OPCON FROM FIRST BDE BACK TO 1ST MARINES &amp; CHOPS TO 2/9 SAME DTG.

G. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED &amp; DEF'D PCS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

## 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE ENTRY: AT 041115H, VIC YD 169322 K/3/9 FOUND 6 NVA STRUCTURES WITH BUNKERS UNDERNEATH. FOUND 60 FRICITION BLASTING CAPS, 200 BME, BLASTING CAPS, 75 FUSE LIGHTERS, 1 BAG OF POWDER, 1 82MM ROUND, 16 82 CHARGERS. BME ALL CLEAR WITH DEMO.

B. AT 041215H, VIC YD 098252 A/1/9 FOUND 2 MM NVA STRUCTURES MADE OF BAMBOO &amp; REED LEAVES. FOUND ABOUT 30 LBS OF MICH.

C. AT 1300H, VIC YD 098249 A/1/9 KILLED 2 SUSPECTS OF UNKNOWN SOURCE. CHECKING AREA, SO CLOSE FOR ARTY. BELIEVED TO BE 1 SUSPECT THAT HAS MOVED INTO AREA.

D. AT 1300H, VIC YD 191285, 1 MARINE FROM M/3/9 APPARENTLY WENT INSANE &amp; RAN OFF THE TRAIL TOWARD LZ GOLD. 1 PLT FROM M IS PURSUING INDIVIDUAL BUT HAVE NOT FOUND HIM YET. MARINE DROPPED HIS PACK &amp; RAN WITH HIS RIFLE. CHAR. S-2428621, E-1. STOPPED CO MOVEMENT. REQUESTED A.O.

E. AT 1200H, VIC YD 098230 D/1/9 FOUND 40 EMPTY AK-47 RDS. ALSO TENNIS SHOE PCP PRINTS HEADING S.E. ESTIMATED 3-4 PERSONS (NVA). CHECKED AREA, COIN'T PATROL.

F. AT 0830H, VIC YD 098233 SB 1/4 STREAMED RCV STATIC MUSIC &amp; UNINTELLIGIBLE LANGUAGE OVER HF/DF NET. CHANGED ERQ. RCV SAME INFORMATION.

G. AT 1520H, VIC YD 025209 A/1/9 WHILE ON PATROL FOUND 1 NVA STRUCTURE

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4. WITH 300-400 LBS OF RICE LYING ON A MAT. 1. DESTROYED  
SAME BY BURNING.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING  
NIGHT ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: WIAE 9 WIANE 6 MISSING 1

B. ENEMY: KIA (C) 15 DLTNTNS TOTAL 19(VC) 1 INN CIV 69

C. INJ 6 GSWC 1

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TOD;050622Z/1A O'LEARY/AB/RW/CON-121 DTG;050622Z LE065

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DRAFTER: W. G. WIESE

RELEASED BY: G.L. WIESCAMP 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 0824

Z DEC 68

FROM: NINETH MAR

ADV. TO 6-3  
HAS BEEN SENT CCN #  
625TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BTSUBJ: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP II R 165 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 041800H-042400H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A(-)/1/9 YD 045250	F/G/H/CP/2/9 VCB
A(PLT)/1/9 YD 053238	E/2/9 TSL
B/1/9 YD 105267	I/3/9 YD 178327
C/1/9 YD 043213	K(-)/3/9 YD 172319
D/CP/1/9 YD 098233	K(PLT)/3/9 YD 198324
L/CP/3/9 YD 058326	M(PLT)/3/9 YD 170291
M(-)/3/9 YD 189286	

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. CORRECT LINE 6 OF SITREP NR 164 TO READ MISSING 0.  
REF. SPOT REP SITREP # 165.

B. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 1815H, VIC LZ GOLD CHAR. S-2/28812 FROM N/3/9 TORCHED HIMSELF IN. APPEARS NONVOLANT. REQ. P MEDEVAC.

B. LATE ENTRY: AT 1720H, VIC YD 198281, M/3/9 FOUND 20 A FRAME HOOCHES ALL ABOUT 4'x 4'x 5'. APPEARED 2 MONTHS OLD. COULD ACCOMODATE 50-60 PEOPLE. AREA WAS DESTROYED BY INHABITANTS PRIOR TO DEPARTURE. NO TRAILS LOCATED. DID NOT APPEAR TO BE MOUNTAINOUS AREA. NO TACTICAL POS IN AREA SEARCH AREA W/NEG RESULTS.

C. AT 1730H, A/1/9 PLT POS HEARD NOISES COMING FROM VIC # 052237. FIRED FEW RDS OF ARTY INTO AREA. WILL CHECK IN AM.

## 5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN & DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS. D-10, E-5, F-12, AA-7, CC-8, EE-1

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: WIAE 9 WIAME 6 MISSING 0

B. ENEMY: KIA(0) 15 DETAINEES: TOTAL 19(VC) 1 INN CIV 69

C. IWC 6 CS NC

## 7. SCOUT STRIPERS REPORT:

UNIT	HR TMS	HR TMS	EMPL	COORDS	RESULTS
1/9	23	23	2	YD 097233	N/A
2/9	1	1	1	VCB	N/A
3/9	2	2	2	YD 058327	N/A
HQCO	3	3	3	YD 113334	N/A

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DRAFTER: 3W/GLW/rjk

RELEASED BY: G.I., WIESCAMP 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 050826 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

ADV. TO G-3  
HAS BEEN SENTTO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BTPERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 166 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 042400H-050600H DEC 681. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE5. PLANS:

A. W/2/12 TO MOVE TO VIC YD 043213.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: WIAE 9 WIANE 6

B. KIA (0) 150 DETAINES TOTAL 19 (VC) 1 INN CIV 69

C. IWC 6 CSWC 1

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RDP:050847Z/VIA COURIER/ADV/RDD/GCN-125 DTG:050826Z DEC68

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A. R. Kozubsky (SAC)

DRAWER 3N/APK&amp;JW

RELEASED BY A.P. KOZUBSKY 1/14.

INTELLIGENCE 061105 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BTPERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP HR 167 OF DAVSON RIVER AFTON FROM 050600H-051200H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

B. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 0830H, H/3/9 VIC YD 194283 FOUND 3 FIRE SITES NEAR STREAM APPROX 10 DAYS OLD, AND 1 GRAVE WITH DECOMPOSED BODY IN A BODY BAG (ABOVE GRAVE CARVED IN TREE WAS SOME VIETNAMESE WRITING WITH THE DATE 16-8-68.) ADD 1 NVA(C)

5. PLANS:

A. 12TH MAR 4.2 BATTERY WILL BE MOVED TO C/1/9 VIC YD 043213.

B. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: WIA 2 VIANE 6

B. ENEMY: KIA (C) 16 DETAINEES: TOTAL 19(VC) 1 INN CIV 69

C. IVC 6 CSWC 1

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MILLER 2/LT.INITIATE 11/16 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL

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CONTINUATION; PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SISTER HR 168 OP DAUSON RIVER APPROX FROM 051200H-051800H DEC 68

## 2. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A/1/9(PLT) YD 020245 ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

D/1/9(PLT) YD 093233

K(PLT)/3/9 YD 163313

M/3/9 YD 196296

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

- A. THE A BATTERY ARRIVED AT C/1/9 POS AT 1715H.  
 B. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

## 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 1510H, A/1/9 VIC YD 024244 FOUND 1 HUT RECENTLY BUILT BECAUSE OF THE GRASS BEING GREEN. A BURNED OUT FIRE WAS STILL WARM. AREA AND HUT SEEMED TO BE USED BY A SQD SIZE UNIT.

B. AT 1500H, I/3/9 VIC YD 177335 FOUND A TRAIL 6 to 8 FT WIDERRUNNING NORTH TO THE YD 178353 GRID. TRAIL SEEMED TO HAVE BEEN HEAVILY USED BUT NOT RECENTLY.

C. AT 1030H, B/1/9 VIC YD 100261 FOUND 1 BUNKER ON SOUTH SIDE OF STREAM. ALSO IN AREA WAS 6 GARDENS EACH 50x45 YDS IN SIZE. KIT CARSON SCOUT SAID IT COULD POSSIBLY FEED 1 BATTALION FOR APPROX 5 NIGHTS. UNIT DESTROYED PART OF GARDEN.

D. AT 1350H, D/1/9 VIC YD 102220 FOUND 1 HUT (1-2 MOS OLD) BUILT ALONG CREEK. CHECKED AREA FOR ANY OTHER SIGNS WITH NEG RESULTS.

## 5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: WIAE 9 WIANE 6

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 16 DETAINES: TOTAL 19(VC) 1 INN CIV 69

C. INC 6 CSNG 1

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TOD:061130Z/VIA COUNTER/AUG/ROD/CON-155 DTC:061106Z DEC68

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DRAFTER: [REDACTED] RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/LT.

WIRE DATE 061107 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINETY MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL

RE:

[REDACTED]: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
 SITREP NR 169 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 051800H-052400H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: (PLT) 1/9 YD 023243  
 ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ADD 1 FRIENDLY WIAME TO CUMULATIVE LOSSES. WILL CHANGE  
 TO WIAME ON 06 DEC 68.

B. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING  
 NIGHT ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 051805H VIC YD 037264 A/1/9 REC'D 12-18 RDS OF 82MM  
 MORTAR WHICH FELL ON NORTH SLOPE FROM THEIR POS. NEAREST ROUNDS  
 WERE 300 METERS FROM PERIMETER. FIRED COUNTER FIRE WITH  
 82'S & ARTY. NEG CASUALTIES.

B. AT 052025H, VIC YD 104220 D/1/9 MADE MOVEMENT ABOUT  
 30 METERS TO THEIR FRONT, RELEIVED TO BE 1 PERSON. FIRED M-16  
 BURST, WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. MOVEMENT CHASID.

C. AT 052240H, VIC YD 098234 D/1/9 REC'D S/A FIRE & 1-2  
 CHINCOM'S. RECORDED AREA WITH S/A & ARTY. SPOOKY ARRIVED  
 BUT WAS DIVERTED DUE TO A MEDEVAC. 1 WIAME NON SERIOUS WILL BE  
 EVALUATED TOMORROW.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN & DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING  
 NIGHT ACTS. D-22, J-2, E-8, I-1, AA-3, CC-9, EE-1

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: WIAME 9 WIAME 7

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 16 DETAINES: TOTAL 19 (VC) 1 INN CIV 69

C. IVC 6 CSWC 1

7. SCOUT SNIPERS REPORT:

UNIT	NR TNS	NR TNS EMPL	COORDS	RESULTS
1/9	2 <sup>1/2</sup>	2 <sup>1/2</sup>	YD 097233	N/A
2/9	1	1	VCB	N/A
3/9	2	2	YD 058327	N/A
HQ CO	3	3	YD 143334	N/A

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DRAFTER: 3W/GAM:jk RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/LT.

IMMEDIATE 061103 Z DEC 68

FROM: KEITH MAR

TO: CG, TP HOTEL

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SITREP NR 170 OF DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 052400H-060600H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

B. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

C. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

## D. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

## E. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: VIAE 9 WIANE 7

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 16 DETAINES: TOTAL 19 (VC) 1 IWW CIV 69

C. IWC 6 CSWC 1

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T: 061130Z/VIA COURIER/AUG/RDD/CCN-155 DTG: 061105Z DEC68

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DRAFTER: JW/GH/1 or JG

RELEASED BY G.L. WILDCAMP 1/1P.

IMMEDIATE 071150Z 2 DEC 68

FROM: INNITHI MAR

TO: CG, TF HOWL  
MP[REDACTED] PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHIN 24 HRS  
SITREP MR 171 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 060600H-061200H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

M/3/9 YD 199302

ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. K/3/9 VIC YD 163313 FOUND 36 RDS PISTOL AMMO, 2 AK MAGAZINES, 12 RDS 7.62, 7 GAS MASKS, 6 E-TOOLS, 3 CHICOM GRENADES, 4 GRENADE POUCHES, PARTS of 2 RPG RDS, 6 BOTTLES OF PILLS, 3 BOTTLES OF SALVE, 1 VIAL OF PENICILLIN, 2 SYRINGES, 1 BAYONET, 1 MACHETE. ALL MEDICINE DETERIORATED &amp; UNSERVICABLE. GEAR DUSTY.

B. AT 0900H, L/3/9 VIC YD 048346 SAW ONE PERSON IN GREEN TROUSERS &amp; NO SHIRT OR WEAPON RUN IN [REDACTED] INTO BUSHES. SEARCHING AREA A T PRESENT TIME.

C. AT 1030H, L/3/9 VIC YD 069234 SPOTTED 2 PERSONS MOVING IN E DIRECTION. PERSONS WERE IN HEAVY BRUSH &amp; IT COULD NOT BE DETERMINED IF THEY WERE CARRYING WEAPONS. PATROL WILL CONTINUE TO SEARCH AREA.

## 5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN &amp; DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA(C) 0 WIA 9 WIAD 7

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 16 DETAINES: TOTAL 19(VC) 1 INN CIV 69

C. IWC 6 CSUC 1

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DRAFTER: 3W/CLM: RJK

RELEASED BY: G.L. WINSAMP 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 071152Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BT[REDACTED] PRINTABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 172 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 061200H-061800H DEC 681. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A(-)1/9 YD 045250	C(PLT)/1/9 YD 051227
A(PLT)/1/9 YD 023243	D/CP/1/9 YD 098233
B(-)1/9 YD 105261	E/2/9 TSL
B(PLT)/1/9 YD 114335	CP/F(-)/G/H/2/9 VCB
C(-)1/9 YD 043213	F(PLT)/2/9 SIGNAL HILL
H/2/4 CA LU	G(-)/2/4 VCB

ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. AT 061252H, BP ASSUMED OPCON OF F/2/4 FROM FD AND PASSED OPCON TO 2/9 SAME DTG.

B. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE REPORT: 0710H, D/1/9 VIC YD 097235 SIGHT FIRE TEAM INTO A REA FROM WHERE PROBE CAME LAST NIGHT. NEG RESULTS.

B. LATE REPORT: 1045H, A/1/9 vic YD 043258 SPOTTED FIGURE MOVING NW THROUGH A SMALL CLEARING. AO FIRED ON GRID &amp; ARMY MISSION CALLED.

C. LATE REPORT: 1055H, A/1/9 PATROL VIC YD 021248 HAD ONE MAN STEP ON CHICOM TYPE BOODY TRAP ON LEFT SIDE OF TRAIL. HAD VINE ATTACHED TO TRIP WIRE. ADD 1 WIAE.

D. LATE REPORT: 1130H, VIC YD 051206 C/1/9 WHILE ON MOVE TO NEW POSITION FOUND FRESHLY CUT TRAILS &amp; LOGS, PUNG STAKES (APPROX 2 MO OLD) &amp; LINES TIED FROM TREE TO TREE TO ACT AS BOODY TRAPS.

E. AT 1630H, C/1/9 VIC YD 051203 PATROL FOUND SMALL ANIMAL TRAP &amp; AREA WHERE EDIBLE PLANTS HAD RECENTLY BEEN DUG UP.

F. CHANGE LINE A PARA 6 SITREP # 171 TO READ 10 WIAE 6 WIAE.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: WIAE 11 WIAE 6

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 16 DETAINEES: TOTAL 19 (VC) 1 IUD CIV 69

C. INC 6 CSWC 1

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BP TDD: 071205Z/VIA COURIER/AJD/RDD/CON-179 DTG: 071452Z DEC68  
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DRAFTED: 30/12/1968

RELEASED BY: A.P. KOSHARSKY 1/LT.

*A.P. Kosharsky 1/LT.*IMMEDIATE 071154Z Z DEC 68

FROM: NINETH MAR

TO: CG, 5TH MOBIL

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SITREP NR 173 OF DALSON RIVER AFTON FROM 061800H-062400H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. EFFECTIVE 051230H 9TH MARTINS ASSUMED OPCON OF G/2A  
AND PASS THEM OPCON TO 2/9 SAME DTG.

B. ALL OTHER UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE REPORT: AT 1600H C/1/9 VIC YD 046206 FOUND 10-12 LEAN TO HOOCHES WITH ROOFS COLLAPSED. DARE FOOT PRINTS APPROX 1 WEEK OLD WERE FOUND AROUND HOOCHES.

B. LATE ENTRY: AT 1745H, D/1/9 VIC YD 101213- 097217 FOUND TRAIL 3-4 FT WIDE. BRANCHES WERE CUT ENABLING RAPID & EASY MOVEMENT. T-6 CHECKED 600 M WITH NEG RESULTS.

C. AT 1930H, C/1/9 VIC YD 051203 REPORTED DEFINITE MOVEMENT. 82MM MORTARS STANDING BY.

D. AT 1945H, A/1/9 REPT'D HEARING MOVEMENT TO THEIR N.W. ABOUT 75M OUT AT YD 042251. FIRED 82MM AND ARMY MSN WITH UNK RESULTS.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNIT'S WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: WIAE 11 WIANE 6

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 16 DETAINEES: TOTAL 19(VC) 1 INF CIV 69

C. IWC 6 CSWC 1

7. SCOUT SHIPPER REPORT:

UNIT	MR TMS	MR TMS EMPL	COORDS	RESULTS:
1/9	2	2	YD 097234	N/A
2/9	1	1	VCB	N/A
3/9	2	2	YD 058327	N/A
HQCO	3	3	YD 144334	N/A

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TOD:071205Z/VIA COURIER/AGB/RDL/CCN-160 DTG:071154Z DEC68

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RECEIVED BY: A.P. KOMZAGUY 1/10/68

O. P. 160300Z JUN 68

FILED DATE: 07/11/68 2 000 68

FROM: NMIC MAP

\* 074: CG, NM CLOUD.

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[REDACTED] INFORMATION INFO/PAC & NMIC TO NMIC  
INFO MR 321 OF DAEGU RIVER AREA HIGH GROUNDS LOCATED IN THE

UNIT LOCATIONS NO CHANGES

SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MANEUVERED AT C DEPOT FOR NMIC CONDUCTING  
EMERGENT ACTS.

B. NMIC CONTACTS: NONE

C. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

PLANS:

A. 1/2/9(-) MIL 12 LIFTED TO 151 CRANE

B. 1/2/9 MIL 11 LIFTED TO MIL 63.

C. 02/3/9 MIL 11 LIFTED FROM MIL 12 TOWERS TO 151

BAIMENT.

D. 02/2/9 MIL 11 LIFTED TO MIL 90.

E. ALL OTHER UNITS WITH MATERIAL AND EQUIPMENT WHILE CON-  
DUCTING DAY ACTS.

F. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY KIA 12 WANE 6

B. NMIC KIA (3) INCOMING: TOTAL 29(VJ) 12 NMIC CITY 62

C. KWC 6 GOTO 1

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TAG: 071205Z/VIP COURIER/AGB/RDC/CON-161 LTG: 071156Z DEC68

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DRAFTER: W/G AM 87 JK

RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/MT.

IMMEDIATE *080350*

Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

HAT BEEN SENT

A.M. TO C-3

TO: CG, TF HOTEL

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**PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE**  
**SITREP NR 175 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 070600-071200Z DEC 68**

**1. UNIT LOCATIONS:**

H(1)/2/9 FSB XD 923441

B/2/9 PLT 2D 926443

G/2/9 2 PLT CA LU MOVE IN PROGRESS

ALL OTHER UNITS N O CHANGE.

**2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:**

A. A. H/2/9(-) COMMENCED LIFT TO FSB CA TES & H PLT  
 COMMENCED LIFT TO HILL 691 VIC XD 926443, AT 0650H, AND  
 COMPLETED AT 0930H.

B. EFT 0910H; E/2/9 CHOPS OPCON TO 2/4.

C. EFT 0800H, L. P. "P" (-), 1. P. "Q" & 1. B. "R" CHOP OPCON  
 FROM 9TH MARINES TO TF HOTEL & TO 4TH MAR.

D. EFT 1200H, G/2/9 2 PLT WILL ASSUME DEFENSE OF CA LU-9

E. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED &amp; DEFEND POS WHILE CONDUCTING

DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

**4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:**

A. AT 1106H, VILLE YD 146257 A/1/9 RPT. THAT A. O. SPOTTED  
 AN UNDETERMINED AMOUNT OF BUNKERS OF UNKNOWN SIZE AT ABOVE  
 GRID. A/1/9 SENT A SQD TO CHECK OUT THE AREA.

**5. PLANS:**

A. TO COMPLETE SQUAD LIFTS.

B. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN & DEFEND POS WHILE CONDUCTING  
 DAY ACTS.**6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:**

A. FRIENDLY: WIAE-11 WIANE 6

B. ENEMY: KIA (C) 16DETAINES TOTAL 19(VC) 1 INN CIV 62

C. INC 6 CSVC 1

**GP-A TUD: V/A TU/0801202/DEC68/CON-138/RBD/DTG:080350Z/**

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DRAFTER: 3W/APK:R JK

RELEASED BY A.D.I. 2025 RELEASE 2/10/2024

IMMEDIATE 080351Z

Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

WAS CODE SENT

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BTCONFIDENTIAL: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUTS SERVICE  
SITREP NR 176 OP DAWSON RIVER ANTON FROM 071200H-071800H DEC 68

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## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

CP/D(-) 1/9	TD 098233	CP/F(-) 2/9	VCG	K/3/9	FIRZ	TD 10324	
A(-) 1/9	XD 035250	E/2/9	BOOKPILE	I/3/9	TD 176334		
A/1/9	PLT	TD 034231	F/2/9	PLT	TD 078460	W/3/9	TD 198301
B(-) 1/9	TD 105267	H(-) 2/9	TD 023441				
B/1/9	PLT	TD 144335	H/2/9	PLT	TD 026343		
C(-) 1/9	TD 013213	F/2/9	PLT HILL 950-				
C/1/9	PLT	TD 051207	CP/L 3/9	TD 050326			
D/1/9	PLT	TD 103291	K/3/9	TD 172319			

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

- A. EFF 071100H, DEC 68 PLT FROM I B "F" AT HILL 950 & PASS TO OPCON TO 9TH MAR. SAME DTG.
- B. EFF 071100H, BOUNDARY CHANGE BETWEEN 4TH MAR & 9TH MAR IS IN EFFECT.
- C. EFF 071100H, B/2/9(-) & "H" PLT CHOPS BACK FROM 2/4 TO 9TH MAR.
- D. EFF 071100H, 2/9 ASSUMES OPCON OF I.B. "F" PLT ON HILL 950, XD 044456.
- E. ADD TO CUMULATIVE LOSSES 1 KIA(C) & 3 WDG. REFF: SP/REPS B-D SITREP 176.

## 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- A. AT 1000H, VIC TD 044201 C/1/9 FOUND WHAT APPEARED TO BE A SMALL BRU VILLE. FINDINGS WERE 2 LARGE STRUCTURES 10 FT X 4 FT AND 4 FT OFF THE GROUND. BY THE STRUCTURES WERE SMALL PENS USED FOR PIGS.

ALSO FOUND PAPERS WITH NAMES ON IT AND SUPPLY ROUTES, BOTTLES AND MEDICINE, PLANT FOODS AND PEPPERS, BASKET, PACK TYPE AND WATER CONTAINERS. ALSO 1 RD UNKNOWN CAL. ALSO SPOTTED BRU IN AREA. PATROL TRYING WITH BRU AND K.C. SCOUTS TO TALK TO BRU INTO COMING OUT TO BE EVACUATED FROM AREA.

- B. AT 1130H, VIC TD 198296 M/3/9 FOUND A TRAIL RUNNING N.E. TO S.W. APPEARED HEAVILY USED PASSED 1 TO 2 WEEKS. FOUND 1 STRUCTURE WHICH APPEARED USED WITHIN LAST 10 DAYS. IN SAME AREA FOUND 1 GRAVE WITH 1 BODY BADLY BURNED APPROX 10 DAYS OLD AND RAPPED IN BLACK CLOTH.

- C. AT 1130H, VIC TD 037205 C/1/9 FOUND 20 FIGHTING HOLES 11 X 11' X 3', FRESH FOOT PRINTS AND TRAILS AROUND. HOLES FORMED "U" SHAPED PERIMETER. APPEARED 2 DAYS OLD. FRUIT RECENTLY EATEN IN AREA. CHECKED OUT AREA WITH XMG RES.

- D. AT 1145H, VIC 044257 A/1/9 OBSERVED 1 ELEPHANT AND 2 WATER BULLS RUNNING LOOSE. CONTINUED WITH PATROL.

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E. AT 1230H, VIC YD 038200 C/1/9 FOUND IN BRUVILLE TWO MAUSER RIFLES, AND ONE M-1 GARRAND RIFLE. ALL WEAPONS IN EXCELLENT CONDITION. RIFLES WERE HIDDEN. CONTINUED SEARCH OF AREA.

F. AT 1245H, VIC YD 059246 A/1/9 FOUND STRUCTURES AT A BOVE GRID. INSIDE STRUCTURES FOUND APPROXIMATELY 200 LBS OF WHEAT IN BASKETS. DESTROYED WHEAT.

G. AT 1230 H, VIC YD 096231 D/1/9 PATROL ENCOUNTERED STRONG SMELL OF SOMETHING DEAD AND HEARD MOVEMENT TO LEFT PLATE. CHECKED AREAS WITH NEG RESULTS.

H. AT 1510, VIC YD 051201 C/1/9 WHILE CONTINUING SEARCH OF BRUVILLE FOUND ONE NVA BELT, ONE NVA COVER, ONE NVA SHIRT, ONE A MM0 POUCH. CONTINUED SEARCH FOR GEAR. TO BE SENT TO CP 1/9.

I. AT 1354H, VIC YD 200295 M/3/9 FOUND ONE NVA PACK STIM. WET WITH SWEAT. PACK CONTAINED ONE CELLOPHANE WRAPPER CONTAINING PILLS, TWO BOWLS, TWO KETTLES, ONE SHIRT AND ONE CONTAINING RICE, ONE CHICON GRENADE, ONE CANTEEN OF UNCOOKED RICE, ONE BOTTLE DRESSING POWDER IN A CELLOPHANE BAG, ONE PLASTIC BAG OF UNIDENTIFIED POWDER, ONE SET GREEN SKIVIES, ONE KAKI SHIRT. ARMY AND 60 MI MISSION BEING CALLED ON AREA.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: WIA E 11 WIAME 6

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 17 DETAINEES TOTAL 19(VC) 1 INN CIV 62

C. INC 9 CSWC 1

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DRAFTER: 3W/GAN/FR JK

RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/LT.

IMMEDIATE 080352 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

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ADV. TO 0-3TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BT[REDACTED]: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 177 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 071800H-072400H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. LZ CONSTRUCTION AT YD 198305 DESIGNATED LZ GULF.  
 B. ALL UNITS MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS. E=8, D=20, J=3, CC=8, AA=9, ME=3.

## 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 1630H, M/3/9 VIC YD 203313 AND YD 200313 FOUND 2 SMALL LZ'S AT ABOVE COORDINATES. LZ'S WERE SURROUNDED BY 75 FIGHTING HOLES AND ALSO HAD 100 BOLES ALONG TRAIL BETWEEN THE LZ'S. IN AREA WAS SMALL AMOUNT OF MISCELLANEOUS 782 GEAR AND A PIECE OF CARDBOARD WITH VIETNAMESE WRITING. ALL GEAR WAS 3-6 MOS OLD. THE WRITING WILL BE FORWARDED TO S-2.  
 B. LATE ENTRY: AT 1030H, B/1/9 VIC YD 090262 AND YD 100272 SPOTTED A WOOD FENCE APPROX 6-7 FT HIGH WITH RICE FENCE BRUISING IT. AT YD 100272 SAY A SHELTER. ALL FINDING WERE ON OTHER SIDE OF RIVER.

## 5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: WIAE 11 WIANE 6  
 B.. ENEMY: KIA(C) 17 DETAINES: TOTAL 19(VC) 1 INN CIV 69  
 C. IWC 0 CSWC 1

## 7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:

UNIT	NR TTS	NR TMS	EMPLO	COORD	RESULTS
1/9	2		2		1/A
2/9	1		1		1/A
3/9	2		2		1/A
HQCO	3		3		1/A

GP-4 TSD: VIA TT/080420Z/DEC68/CCW-200/ERB/HOD/DTG:080352Z

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DRAWN BY: [REDACTED] RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/LT.

IMMEDIATE 0803 53 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TP HOTEL  
BTHAS BEEN SENT  
ADV. TO U-3[REDACTED]: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP IR 178 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 072400H-080600H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

1. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING  
NIGHT ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS:

A. 1/1/9(-) CONDUCT A HELIBORNE ASSAULT TO VIC YD 067242/  
YD 037229C.

B. E, I, GP, L TO CONDUCT A HELIBORNE ASSAULT TO VIC YD 249291.

C. PLT FROM F/2/9 TO LIFT TO HILL 950.

D. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING  
DAY ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: WIAE 11 WIANE 6

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 17 DPAINEES: TOTAL 19(VC) 1 INN CIV 69

C. INC 9 OSWC 1

GP-4 TDD; VIA TT/000420Z/DEC68/CON-201/ENR/RDC/DTG:000353Z/

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A.P. Koszarsky 1st Lt.

DRAFTER: M/APR/68

RELEASED BY SA A.P. KOSZARSKY 1ST LT.

IMMEDIATE 091225 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINH MAR

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TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BTPERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 179 OF DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 080600H-081200H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

- A. 3/2/9 PLT AT HILL 950
- B. ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

- A. AT 0930H BOUNDARY CHANGE BECAME EFFECTIVE. 9TH MAR CHOPS OPCON OF TSL A.O. TO 4TH MAR.
- B. AT 1000H 3/2/9 PLT COMPLETED LIFT AND RELIEF AT HILL 950. ALSO CHOPS OPCON OF 3/2/4 TO TF HOTEL.
- C. ALL OTHER UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

## 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

## 5. PLANS:

- A. 3/9 (-) WILL CONDUCT A HELO-ASSAULT INTO XD 249292.
- B. ALL OTHERS UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

- A. FRIENDLY: WIAE 11, WIAME 6
- B. ENEMY: KIA (0), DLT, DETAINEES TOTAL 19(VC), INN CIV 69.
- C. IWC 9, CSWC 1

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TOD, 091320Z VIA COURIER/AGB/RDU/CCN-229 DTG; 091225Z DEC68

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DRAFTER: SW/GAU:jk RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/11P.

IMMEDIATE 091227 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

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TO: CG, TF HOTEL

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SITREP NR 180 OF DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 081200H-081800H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A/1/9 YD 067242 K/3/9 PLT YD 198324

E/2/9 VCB L/3/9 YD 254292

F/2/9 PLT HILL 950 M/3/9 YD 198305

CP/K(-)/3/9 YD 249291 ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

I/3/9 YD 262297

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:A. 3/9(-) HELO ASSAULT INTO YD 249291 STARTED AT 1145H,  
AND WAS COMPLETED AT 1430H.

B. LATE ENTRY: E/2/9 RETURNED TO VCB FROM TSL AT 1000H.

C. A/1/9 LIFT TO YD 067242 COMM AT 1705H, 80MM AT 1720H.

D. ALL OTHER UNITS MAINTAINED & DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING  
DAY ACTS.3. ENEMY CONTACTS:A. AT 1340H, C/1/9 SQD PATROL VIC YD 048203 WHILE NEAR  
VILLE RECEIVED S/A FIRE FROM VILLE AT YD 043203. USING 81MM  
AND 4.2 MSNS ON VILLE AND WILL SWEEP VILLE AFTER MSM. SUFFERED  
1 WIAE.B. AT 1400H, M/3/9 VIC YD 189298 REC'D APPROX 100 RDS  
S/A FIRE FROM THE N.W. SPOTTED 4 NVA RUNNING AND FIRED S/A  
AT THEM RESULTING IN 2 NVA(C). FIRING ARTY AND 60MM MSNS IN  
AREA.4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:A. AT 1400H, VIC YD 189298 M/3/9 WHILE CHK AREA OF CONTACT  
FOUND 3 HOOCHES 1 10'x8' ON TOP OF FINGERS, 1 20'x10' APPEARED  
TO BE A CP. FOUND BLANKET MISC CLOTHES, SMALL BOTTLE GASOLINE,  
CHISEL, ASSORTED HEALTH ITEMS. DESTROYED HOOCHES, GEAR FOUND.  
MISC MED GEAR, 10 BURLAP BAGS, 1 PR(B) PJS'S. 4 SHIRTS (B), 1  
PR OF HO CHI SANDALS, 2 BAGS WITH KHAKIS, 3 NVA PICKS, 6 NVA  
SHOVELS, 2 NVA CANTEENS, 1 CHICOM GRID, 5 LBS OF RICE. SEVERAL  
BASKETS AND KETTLES, BOWLS AND COOKING UTENSILS, A 40'x20' LIVING  
QUARTERS, MESS HALL AREA. 1 GREASE GUN WITH 400 RDS, SER # 206  
2546, 5 LOA DED AK-47'S MAGAZINES. ONE UNLOADED MAGAZINE, 1  
DIARY, 1 BOOK SNAPSHOTS, 1 NVA HELMET, 10 MACHETES.B. AT 1540H, E/3/9 FOUND ONE SLEEPING STRUCTURE FOR APPROX  
15 MEN A T VIC YD 260290. USED IN LAST SIX MONTHS. ALSO FOUND  
1 NVA PICK. SEARCHED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

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5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 11 WIA 6

B. ENEMY: KIA (C) 1 DETAINES: TOTAL 19(VC) 1 INN CIV 69

C. SW 1 CSWC 1

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RELEASER BY A. JOSZARSKY 1/LT.

Kozarsky 1SICR

IMMEDIATE 091229 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
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[REDACTED] PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 181 OF DANSO RIVER AFTON FROM 081800H-082400H DEC 681. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:A. LATE RPT 081000H HOTEL ASSUED OPCON OF PLT FROM  
B/2 P/2 F/2 AND PASSES OPCON TO 8TH MAR3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 1945H VIC 199324 (BARNETT) A MARINE FROM B/2/12  
WAS SHOT OR SELF INFILCTED (UNDETERMINED) SHOT IN LEG. BY  
1 SMALL CAL RD. DIRECTION UNKNOWN WHILE SITTING IN A HUTCH.  
WENT THROUGH LEG. WILL BE MED EVAC ON 09 DEC, AN INVEST WILL  
BE HELD.

B. AT 1300H VIC 199304 N/3/9 FOUND OLD DIVVAC AREA,  
7 FRAMERS STRUCTURES 6x5' 3-6 MONTHS OLD. AT 191309H FOUND  
1 WELL DEVELOPED TRAIL LEADING S.E. DIRECTION. AT 194300 FOUND  
6 STRUCTURES 6x5' 3-6 MONTHS OLD. 3 COOKING POTS. ALSO  
FOUND A WELL DEVELOPED TRAIL BUILDING FROM THIS AREA TO 189309.  
CHECKED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

C. AT 2110H VIC 097236 D/1/9 AIRUSH HARD MOVEMENT APPROX  
25 METERS OUT ALL AROUND THERE POSIT. SEEMED TO BE MOVING  
CLOSER. OPENED FIRE WITH SHORT BURST OF A/W AND S/A FIRE.  
AMBUSH CALLED IN TO IP FIRED 60/81 MISSION ON AREA. AMBUSH  
RETURNED TO POS. WILL CHECK POSIT IN A.M..

D. AT 2100H VIC 052205 C/1/9 SPOTTED 1 PERSON COMING UP  
A TRAIL TOWARDS L.P. ALSO MOVEMENT WAS RPT LONG LINES. LP  
MADE NOISE PRIOR TO OPENING UP AND INDIVIDUAL JUMPED IN BUSHES  
OFF TRAIL. LP OPENED UP WITH NEG RESULTS. FDME TEAM CHECKED  
AREA AND FOUND NOTHING.

E. AT 2240H VIC 101213 D CO LINES OBSERVED LIGHTS AT  
ABOVE COOR 1/9 FO CALLED IN ARTY MISSION WITH EXC LLANT  
COVERAGE OF TARGET. NO MORE LIGHTS. UNKNOWN RESULTS.

F. AT 2245H VIC 100233 D/1/9 HAD MOVEMENT TO S.E. OF  
LINES WHICH SET OFF A TRIP FLARE. FIRED S/A AND THREW 1 M26  
FIRED M-79 6 RDS. CALLED IN 60mm MISSION TO S WITH GOOD  
COVERAGE. ALSO ARTY CALLED IN WITH UNK. RESULTS.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING  
NIGHT ACTS.

DOL5, E-6, F-14, J-1, AA-11, CC-12

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6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: WIAE 12 WIAME 6

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 19 DETAINEES: TOTAL 19 (VC) 1 INN CIV69

C. INCLO CSWC 1

7. SCOUT SURPER REPORT:

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UNIT	HR TMS	HR TMS EMPL	COORDS	RESULTS
1/9	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	097234	NEG
2/9	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ 7 10 11	1	VCB	NEG
3/9	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ 7 10 11	2	219291	NEG
HQ Co	3	3	144335	NEG

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a.P. Koszarsky 1ST LT.

DRAFTER: 3W/APK:jk RELEASED BY: A.P. KOSZARSKY 1/LT

IMMEDIATE 091231 Z DEC 68FROM: NINTH MAR III HAS BEEN SENT IIITO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BT                  : PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 182 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 082400H-090600H DEC 681. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:A. CORRECTING TO SITREP NR 180: ADD 1 FR WIAE SEE PARA  
CORRECTION MADE THIS SITREP.4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE5. PLANS:A. B/2/9 WILL CONDUCT A HILO-ASSAULT TO VIC XD 741403.  
B. A/1/9 PLT WILL CONDUCT A HELO-ASSAULT TO LZ FISHER.

C. ALL OTHER UNITS WILL MA INTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: WIAE 12 WIAME 6

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 13 DETAINES; TOTAL 19(VC) 1 INN CIV 62

C. IWC 10 CSWC 1

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TOD: 091230Z/VIA COURIER/AGB/RDD/CON -232 DTG: 091231Z DEC 68

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*SA Miller*

DRAFTER: JW/GAMER JR

RELEASED BY S.G.A. MILLER 2/LT.

IMMEDIATE 091233 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
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REASON: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 183 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 090600H-091200H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. ON 051800H, GRASSHOPPER AT YD 097378, A RECON TEAM GOT 7 KIA ENEMY AROUND THEIR POSIT. CHANGE CUMULATIVE LOSSES TO READ 7 KIA(C).

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 0845H, VIC YD 202304 N/3/9 FOUND A WELL DEVELOPED TRAIL RUNNING SE TO E. APPEARS RECENTLY USED. CON'T TO SEARCH AND CHECK TRAIL.

B. AT 0940H VIC YD 262288 L/3/9 FOUND 165 FIGHTING HOLES, 50 HOOCHES, SCATTERED U.S. RATIONS CANS, SEVERAL EMPTY FRENCH, ENGLISH, &amp; U.S. CIGARETTE PACKS. FIGHTING HOLES DESTROYED.

C. AT 0930H, VIC YD 037244 WHILE RUNNING A PREP ON 850.

DRAFT STARTED RECEIVING 50 CAL. FIRE. ARTY CALLED IN ON POS RESULTING IN A LARGE SECOND. EXPLOS. SIZE APPROX 50 to 100 MM ROUNDS.

5. PLANS:

A. COMMIT A/1/9 TO A HELIBORNE ASSAULT VIC YD 036281.  
B. ALL UNITS WILL MAINT AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: WIAE 12 WIAME 6

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 25 DETAINERS TOTAL 19 (VC) 2 INN CIV 62

C. IWC 12 CSWC 1

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TOD: 091320Z/VIA COUNTER/AGB/RBD/CCN-233 DTG: 091233Z DEC68

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DRAFTER: JN/APK sr JK

RELEASED BY: A.P. KOSZORSKI 1/1T.

A.P. Koszorski 1ST LT.

IMMEDIATE 130030 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

184/1 #50  
184/R/Ts 6-3/11TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BTINITIAL PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 184 OP DAWSON RIVER FRON 091200H-091800H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

CP/1/9 YD 098233	CP/F-PLT/G-PLT/2/9 VCB K/3/9(-) YD 248291
A/2/9(-) YD 069242	F/2/9 PLT SIGNAL HILL L/3/9 YD 259292
A/1/9 PLT YD 066242	F/2/9 PLT HILL 950 M/3/9 YD 198305
B/1/9(-) YD 105267	G/2/9(-) CA LZ K/3/9PLT 198324
C/1/9(-) YD 043213	H/2/9(-) FSB CATES B/1/9PLT 144335
C/1/9 PLT YD 051205	H/2/9 PLT HILL 691
D/1/9(-) YD 098233	CP/3/9 YD 249291
D/1/9 PLT YD 086233	I/3/9 YD 269299

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. EFF 091600H, TF HOTEL ASSUDED OPCON OF E/2/9(-) & PASSED OPCON TO 4TH MAR SAME DTG.

B. EFF 091300H, ENDRY CHANGE BETWEEN 3RD/4TH MAR IS IN EFF.

C. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 1050H, VIC YD 037203 C/1/9 PATROL FOUND 2 MONTEGARD TYPE HOOCHES INSIDE HOOCHES WERE 2 A.T. MINES W/FUSES (US MADE), 2 50RD MAG SIMILLAR TO THOMPSON MG. 100 RDS S/A AMMO, 40 LBS OF TNT. (NVA), FOOD, CANTEENS AND MISCELLANEOUS TOOLS.

B. AT 1105H, VIC YD 269292 L/3/9 FOUND A NVA CAMP SITE. APPEARED TO BE 6 MONTHS OLD. 2 HOOCHES 4x5x4 FT W/MISC GEAR. DESTD AREA & CON'T ON PATROL.

C. AT 1115H, VIC LZ FISHER A/1/9 PLT LIFT COMM. 1 HELO WENT INTO LZ & LET OUT PAX, AND STARTED RECEIVING FIRE, HELO TOOK OFF. OTHER 3 WHICH WERE CIRCLING RETURNED TO SECURE LZ & DISCHARGED PAX'S & 1 OF THESE 3 HELOS SPACED W/ PAX, AT FISHER & RETURNED TO SECURE ZONE. IT IS BELIEVED THAT THE 1ST HELO WAS SHOT DOWN AFTER TAKE OFF.

D. AT 1300H, VIC 086241 C/1/9 PLT GEAR CONTAINING N TO S WAS WIDE ENOUGH FOR 1 PERSON. CHECKED THE GEAR THERE IT RAN TO A BUILDING HAVING BLDINGS.

E. AT 1545H, I/3/9 AT YD 256306 REC'D 35 S/A, A/W FIRE FROM BRUSH. RETURNED FIRE CALLING IN MORTAR MISSION ON AREA, WILL CHECK AREA AFTER MISSION.

F. AT 1430H, VIC YD 068249 A/1/9 FOUND 2 HOOCHES CONTAINING 1000 LBS. OF RICE, 60 LBS OF CORN ALL IN BASKETS. GEAR TAKEN TO A/1/9 POS.

G. AT 1230H, L/3/9 VIC YD 266284 FOUND 1 HOOCH W/REINF UNDERGROUND BASEMENT WITH REIN LOG WALLS. ALSO FOUND SMALL AMOUNT OF SMALL CAL AMMO AND MAGS, MISC 782 GEAR, MISC MEDICAL GEAR AND SOME CLOTHING (A UNIFORM WITH MARKINGS). ALSO FOUND 1 GRAVE DATED 21-10-68 WITH 1 BODY WITH ID CARD. DEST'D HOOCH & AMMO. WILL FORWARD MEDICAL, CLOTHING, AND I.D. TO S-2. ADD 1 NVA (C).

H. AT 1155H, D/1/9 VIC YD 096231 A PATROL WHILE IN ROUTE TO IP, FOUND TRAIL RUNNING E. TO W. TRAIL WAS OLD BUT HAD FRESH TENNISHOES PRINTS LEADING TO D/1/9 PERIMETER. EST. PRINTS TO BE FROM 3-4 PEOPLE. PATROL SEARCHED 15CM ALONG WITH NEG RESULTS.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN A ND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: WIAE 12 WIANE 6

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 2 DETAINERS TOTAL 19(VC) 1 INN CIV 62

C. IWC 10 CSWC 1

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TOS: 101320Z DEC 68//JS/RDE/CCN: 250 DTG: 101230Z DEC 68

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## IMMEDIATE

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DRAFTER: JW/APK:SF:jk

RELEASED BY :A.P. KOSZARSKY 1/LT.

*J. Wiesawy*IMMEDIATE 102032 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

11A/R9T6 G-3771TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BTPERISHAB LE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 185 BP DAWSON RIVER ABTON FROM 091800H-092400H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
  2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
    - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS. D-23, J-3
  3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
  4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
    - A. FOLLOW UP TO SITREP NR 184 PARA 4E. AFTER INITIAL CONTACT PATROL SEARCHED A REA AND FOUND 4 132MM ROCKET PROJECTILES WITH 3 BOOSTERS. 1/3/9 WILL FIRE HEAVY IR/I IN AREA TONIGHT. WILL CONDUCT COMPANY SIZE SWEEP TO AREA OF 10 DEC 68.
  5. PLANS:
    - A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN & DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.
  6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
    - A. FRIENDLY: WIAE 12 WIANE 6
    - B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 27 DETAINES: TOTAL 19(VC) 1 INN CIV 69
    - C. IWC 10 CS WC
  7. SCOUT SITREP REPORT:
- | UNIT | NR TMS | NR TMS EMPL | COORD | RESULTS |
|------|--------|-------------|-------|---------|
| 1/9  | 2      | 2           |       | N/A     |
| 2/9  | 1      | 1           |       | N/A     |
| 3/9  | 2      | 2           |       | N/A     |
| HQCO | 3      | 3           |       | N/A     |

GP-# TOD: 101320Z/COUR/JR/RDE/CON: 259 DTG: 101232Z DEC 68

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**UNCLASSIFIED****IMMEDIATE**

DRAFTER: SW/GLW:jk

RELEASED BY: G.L. WIESCAMP 1/LT

IMMEDIATE 102037 Z DEC 68

FOR: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BT[REDACTED] PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 186 OP DAWSON RIVER FROM 092400H-100600H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
  - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS:
  - A. A/1/9 PLT WILL HELO-ASSAULT INTO LZ FISHER.
  - B. ALL OTHER UNITS WILL MAINTAIN & DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS. E-8, AA-10, CC-7, EE-2
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
  - A. FRIENDLY: WIAE 12 WIAME 6
  - B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 27 DETAINES: TOTAL 19(VC) 1 INN CIV 69
  - C. INC 10 CSW C

GP-4 TDD: 101320Z/COUR/JS/RDE/CON: 268 DTG: 101234Z DEC 68

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DRAFTER: JW/GAM:rjk RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/LT.

IMMEDIATE 102036 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

AON/PS3

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BT

//A/R/TG G-3/11

[REDACTED]: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 187 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 100600H-101200H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A/1/9 YD 069212

I/3/9 YD 256303

C/1/9 YD 043213

L/3/9 YD 268287

CP/3/9 YD 248311

ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

B. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 0915H, VIC YD 243290 K/3/9 FOUND OLD ENEMY POS, CONSISTING OF 12 FIGHTING HOLES &amp; 3 HOOCHES WITH BUNKER UNDERNEATH POS. HAD BEEN PARTIALLY DEST'D BY ARTY. DESTROYING REMAINING BUNKERS &amp; HOOCHES.

B. AT 1057H, VIC YD 256304 I/3/9 SPOTTED 3 NVA &amp; FIRED S/A ENEMY ROCKET FIRE WITH AK-47 &amp; RAN TO NORTH. REQUESTED AO &amp; FIRING 106MM &amp; 82MM IN AREA.

## 5. PLANS:

A. HELO-ASSAULT OF A/1/9 TO HILL # 850.

B. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN &amp; DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: WIAE 12 WIAAE 6

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 27 DETAINEES: TOTAL 19(VC) 1 INN CIV 69

C. IWC 10 CSWC 1

GP-4 TOP: 101329Z/CUR/JS/RUE/CCN: 201 DTG: 101200Z DEC 68

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DRAFTER: 3U/GAM:xjk RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/LT.

IMMEDIATE 12/11/68 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

HAS BEEN SENT

14/4 TO 8-3

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BT[REDACTED]: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 188 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 101200H-101800H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A/1/9 YD 045277	CP/3/9 YD 249291
C/1/9 FLT YD 031196	I/3/9 YD 252304
D/1/9 FLT YD 082234	L/3/9 YD 262278

ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. A/1/9 COM LIFT TO 850 AT 1430H. LIFT COMPLETED AT 1605H. TO VIC YD 052261.

B. TOTAL CUMULATIVE LOSSES CHANGE OF 3 ADD 2 KIA AND 5 WIAE. REF. SPOT REP A & ENEMY CONTACTS A. THIS SIT REP.

C. ALL OTHER UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

## 3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 1300H, VIC YD 270300 I/3/9 RCD S/A FIRE FROM 1 A.W. RETURNED S/A FIRE. EXPLORING AREA OF CONTACT.

B. AT 1400H, VIC YD 259301 I/3/9 RITS CON'T TO RECEIVE S/A FROM 1 A/W & 1 MACHINE GUN. APPROX 4-5 NVA. FOUND 3 BUNKERS WITH PACKS. FIRING ARTY ON AREA. RESULTS 2 KIA, 3 WIA.

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 1050H, VIC YD 096262 B/1/9 PATROL CALLED FOR PRE PLANNED 60MM MSN. FIRED 1 ROUND (SPOTTER) W.P. LANDED ON TARGET, ACROSS BLUE LINE. CALLED FOR 5 RND'S H.E. ALL 5 RND'S LANDED SHORT ON FRIENDLY SIDE OF BLUE. RESULTING IN 2 WIA'S WITH MINOR WOUNDS IN HANDS & ARMS AND 1 MINOR HEAD INJURY. HELD PTRL UP FOR MEDEVAC.

B. AT 1600H, VIC YD 259301 I/3/9 WHILE EXPLOITING AREA FOUND 25 PACKS, 3 MEDICAL PACKS & SOME DOCUMENTS. CON'T TO SEARCH AREA.

## 5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: WIAE 17 WIANE 6 KIA 2

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 27 DETAINES: TOTAL 19(TC) 1 INN CIV 69

C. INC 10 CSWC 1

GP-4 TUD: VIA CCR/120145Z/DEG68/CON-295/ERB/PHM/DTG: 120100Z/

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DRAFTER: 3W/APK rjk

RELEASED BY: A.P. KOSZAKSKY 1/T

IMMEDIATE 120102

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FROM: NINTH MAR

HAS BEEN SENT  
A/R TO S-3

TO: CG, TF HOTEL

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L:PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 189 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 101800H-102400H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

CP/D(-)/1/9 YD 098233	CP/F/(-)/2/9 VCB	CP/X/3/9 YD 249291
A(-)/1/9 YD 045277	G(-)/2/9 CA LU	I/3/9 YD 252304
B(-)/1/9 YD 105267	H(-)/2/9 FSB CATES	L/3/9 YD 262278
C(-)/1/9 YD 043213	PLT'S	M/3/9 YD 198305
PLT'S	F/2/9 YD HILL 950	PLT'S
B/1/9 YD 144335	G/2/9 YD VCB	K/3/9 YD 198324
C/1/9 YD 039198	H/2/9 HILL 691	
D/1/9 YD 082231	F/2/9 SIGNAL HILL	
A/1/9 YD 051286		

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS. D-20, E-4.

## 3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE ENTRY: AT 1700H, VIC YD 098257 B/1/9 OBSERVED 2 PERSONS WEARING KHAKI CLOTHING, WHICH APPEARED TO BE OBSERVING B/1/9 POS. THEY MOVED INTO HEAVY BRUSH AT WHICH TIME "D" BATTERY FIRED 10 RIDS ARTY WITH GOOD COV OF AREA. NEG RESULTS.

B. LATE ENTRY: AT 1300H, VIC YD 096268 & YD 099261 B/1/9 FOUND A MOUNTAIN RICE FIELD. RICE WAS FOUND TO READY FOR HARVEST OTHER PLANTS WITH EDIBLE ROOTS WERE FOUND IN SAME AREA. FOUND WAS A WOODEN RAIL FENCE BELOW RICE FIELD NEAR BLUE LINE.

C. AT 2000H, I/3/9 VIC YD 257303 OBSERVED MOVEMENT FROM FLASHLIGHTS AT YD 267317 AND YD 262311. FIRING ARTY MSNS AT ABOVE GRIDS.

D. AT 1630H, C/1/9 PLT PATROL VIC YD 038200 WHILE MOVING TO PLANNED NIGHT POS 1 ENEMY JUMPED OUT FRONT OF THE POINT MAN FIRING AT FR. UNIT RETURNED FIRE KILLING THE EN, AT SAME TIME THE PATROL STARTED RECEIVING S/A AND A/W FIRE FROM 150M TO THE WEST. FIRE WAS RETURNED PLUS 81MM MSNS AND GUNSHIPS. PATROL SPOTTED 5-6 EN RUNNING INTO SMALL RAVINE. PATROL CONT'D PURSUIT WITH NO FURTHER CONTACT. PATROL SUFFERED WITH 1 WIAD & 1 WIAC, KILLING 1 NVA(C).

## 5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

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## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 18 WIANE 7  
B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 28 DETAINEES: TOTAL 19(VC) 1 INN CIV 69  
C. IWC 10 CSWC 1

## 7. SCOUT SNIPERS REPORT:

UNIT	NR TMS	NR TMS EMPL	COORD	RESULTS
1/9	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	YD 098233	N/A
2/9	1	1	VGB	N/A
3/9	2	2	YD 249291	N/A
HQCO	3	3	YD 144335	N/A

GP-4 TDC: VIA TT/120145Z/DEC68/CON-294/ER/PHM/DTG:120110Z/

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DRAFTER: 3W/APK:rjk

RELEASED BY: A.P. KOSZARSKY 1/LT.

APK:ruske 15 CT.

IMMEDIATE 1201-64 Z DEC 68

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TO: CG, TMOTEL

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SITREP NR 190 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 102400H-110600H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 18 WIANE 7

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 25 DETAINEES TOTAL 19(VC) 1 INN CIV 69

C. IWC 10 CSWC 1

GP-4 TEL: VIA TT/120145Z/DEC08/CON-253/ERB/FHM/DTG:120104Z/

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**UNCLASSIFIED***G.L. Wiescamp*

DRAFTER: 3W/GLW:rjk

RELEASED BY: G.L. WIESCAMP 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 121226

Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

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ADV TO G-3

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BTSUBJ: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 191 OF DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 110600H-111200H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A. (1) 1/9 YD 056275

ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 0830H, A/1/9 VIC YD 049290 FOUND 15 PUNGI PITS ALONG TRAIL WHICH RUNS N-S. PITS APPROX 15" x 6" x 12".

B. AT 0900H, L/3/9 VIC YD 265274 FOUND NVA CAMP SITE WHICH APPEARED TO BE 6 MONTHS TO 1 yr OLD. FOUND 1 US MADE SHOVEL &amp; US C-RAT CANS IN AREA. TRAIL APPEARED TO BE 1 MONTH OLD.

C. AT 1040H, D/1/9 FOUND OLD TRAIL RUNNING SE-W. EVIDENCE OF ENEMY ACTIVITY.

## 5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN &amp; DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 18 WIANE 2

B. ENEMY: KIA (C) 28 DETAINES: TOTAL 19 (VC) 1 INN CIV 69

C. INC 10 CS WC 1

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BT TEE/121300Z/COURIER/RDB/RDB/CCN 313 DTG 121222Z DEC 68

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DRAFTER: 3W/GLW: Rjk

RELEASED BY: G.L. WIESCAMP 1/IT.

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667IMMEDIATE 121222 Z DEC 68FROM: NINTH MAR 111 HAS BEEN SENTTO: CG, TF HOTEL ABV TO 0-3  
BT[REDACTED]: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 192 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 111200H-111000H DEC 681. UNIT LOCATIONS:

CP/D(-)1/9 YD 096233	C P/F(-)1/9-PLT/2/9 VCB
A(-)1/9 YD 056275	F/2/9 PLT SIGNAL HELL
A/1/9 PLT YD 051206	F/2/9 PLT XD 844456 M(-)3/9 YD 198305
A/1/9 PLT YD 032284	G(-)2/9 CA LU M/3/9 PLT 228302
B(-)1/9 YD 105267	H(-)2/9 XD 927429
B/1/9 PLT YD 144335	H/2/9 PLT XD 926442
C/1/9(-) YD 013213	CP/K(-)3/9 YD 249291
C/1/9 PLT YD 039198	I/3/9 YD 256305
D(-)1/9 YD 096233	K/3/9 PLT YD 198324
D/1/9 PLT YD 082234	L/3/9 YD 262278

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. AT 111700H, 1ST PLT E/2/9 ACTIVATED AS SPARROWHAWK,  
CHOPPED OPCON TO 3RD MAR DIV. AT THIS TIME.

B. ALL OTHER UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 1315H, C/1/9 PATROL VIC YD 026199 RECEIVED AUTO WEAPONS FIRE & VIC YD 011806 FROM ESTIMATED NVA SQD. RETURNED FIRE & CALLED IN 81MM MORTAR HSN. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT & PATROL IS PURSUING.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE ENTRY: AT 1105H, D/1/9 VIC YD 096221 FOUND 2 SETS OF NVA FOOTPRINTS LEADING 285 DEGREE. TRACKS APPROX 1 DAY OLD. FOLLOWED A SHORT WAYS UNTIL TRACKS LED INTO BRUSH. LATER (1135) FOUND TRACKS WHICH APPEARED TO BE 1 HOUR OLD. PATROL ORDERED TO FOLLOW THEM. 81 MORTARS FIRED IN FRONT OF SUSPECTED ENEMY.

B. AT 1300H, I/3/9 VIC YD 261301 IN CHECKING AREA OF PREVIOUS DAYS CONTACT FOUND 3 NVA STRUCTURES 1 6x10x6 FT, 1 10x20x8 FT, 1 8x5 FT, 4 LARGE OUTDOOR TOILET FACILITIES, 25 LBS OF RICE, 5 LBS OF SALT, 1 PR CUT OFF UTILITIES (US), 1 BOTTLE OF HALIZONE, ASSORTED US GEAR, 6 CANTEEN POUCHES, 1 BA386 BATTERY, 15 PR OF SOCKS, 175 SAND BAGS, 3 CANTINE CUPS, 1 GAL OF SALAD OIL, 40 PLASTIC SPOONS, 1 CLAYMORE MINE, 15 NVA H-TOOLS, 21 AK MAGS, 20 NVA UTILITY TROUSERS, 1 82MM MORTAR [REDACTED] 82MM MORTAR ROUNDS, 7 60 MORTAR RNDs, 10 COOKING POLES, 1500 AX-17 RNDs, 1 PICK, 6 CANTEENS, 9 BINS, A MAP CASE, AND PAPERS, BINOCULAR CASE, 1 FIRST AID POUCH, 30 MORTAR FUSES, ASSORTED MEDICAL GEAR, 2 PR OF SNEAKERS, 1 LB OF INT. CLEANING GEAR FOR 50 CAL WEAPON, 20 CLOTH BAGS, ASSAULT RIFLE, GEAR OF INTEREST & WEAPONS RETAINED REST OF GEAR DESTROYED. ALSO 1 JWS 1 GSNG.

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C. AT 1130H, L/3/9 VIC YD 277275 FOUND 50 FT NVA COMM WIRE, 6 INSULATORS, 1 M-16, BAYONET, 1 LADDER, AND LETTERS. LETTERS TURNED OVER TO S-2.

D. AT 1400H, C/1/9 VIC YD 041214 PATROL FOUND 1 HUT 5%  
INSIDE WAS FOUND 350 LBS OF RICE, DET CORD, PAPERS WITH  
WRITING ON THEM AND 1 RIFLE OF UNKNOWN CALIBER. ADD 1 INC.  
HUT & RICE BURNED & GEAR BROUGHT BACK TO CO POSITION.

E. AT 1500H, L/3/9 VIC YD 273277 FOUND 2 COMM WIRES APPROX  
400M LONG & NVA WRITING PAPER.

F. AT 1640H, K/3/9 VIC YD 244299 FOUND ILD CAMP AREA WITH  
6 FIGHTING HOLES, & 2 82MM MORTAR ROUNDS. ROUNDS DESTROYED.  
ADD 1 WIAE AND SUBTRACT 1 WIAME.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 19 WIAME 7

B. ENEMY: KIA (C) 20 DETAINEES: TOTAL 19(VC) 2 INN CIV 69

C. IWC 32 CSWC 2

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BT 700/121300Z/COURIER/RDD/RDD/CCN 314 BTG 121222Z DEC 68

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DRAFTER: 3W/GAM:rj

G.A. Miller CT

RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/LT.

IMMEDIATE 121224

Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

/// HAS BEEN SENT ///  
ADV TO 6-3

TO: CG, TF HOTEL

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~~CONFIDENTIAL~~: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 193 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 111800H-112400H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A/1/9 3rd PLT YD 045284  
ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

## 3. ENEMY CONTACT S: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE ENTRY: AT 1530H, VIC YD 025197 &amp; YD 024198 1/9 FOUND WELL USED FOOT PATH, 3 1/2 FT WIDE. BRANCHES HAD BEEN CUT &amp; TRAIL HAD BEEN RECENTLY USED. SEARCH TRAIL FOR 100 METERS NEG. RESULTS.

B. AT 1800H, VIC YD 030197 C/1/9 2nd PLT REACHED THEIR PPB &amp; SENT OUT A FIRE TM LP WHICH RECEIVED 10 RDS OF AK-47 FROM AN ESTIMATED 1-2 MVA. PLT SENT OUT SQD TO CHECK AREA WHERE FIRE WAS BELIEVED TO HAVE COME FROM, WITH NEG RESULTS.

C. M/3/9 EXPLOITED WHAT IS BELIEVED TO BE A HIGH SPEED TRAIL BETWEEN YD 184298 HAD YD 220302. AT THE WESTERN PART OF ORIGIN A TREE HAD (TD53) CARVED IN IT. AT THE EASTERN GRID A TREE HAD TC53 C RVED IN IT. TRAIL FOLLOWED HIGH GROUND &amp; APPEARED TO END AT WESTERN END. SEVERAL OTHER TRAILS LED OFF MAIN TRAIL &amp; WILL BE EXPLOITED. AN OVERLAY WILL BE FORWARDED.

D. AT 2040H, VIC YD 105268 B/1/9 SPOTTED 2 EN IN FRONT OF POS. APPROX 25 METERS. OPENED FIRE WITH M-60 AND GRENADES. SUSPECTED TO HAVE HIT ONE. CALLED IN 60MM &amp; 105MM MISSIONS. MOVEMENT CEASED.

## 5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN &amp; DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS. D-14, E-5, F-13, J-2, L-1, O-16, Q-6, GG-2

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 VIA E 19 WIANE 7

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 28 DETAINES: TOTAL 13 (VC) 2 JIN CIV 69

C. IWC 12 CSWC 1

## 7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:

UNIT	NR TMS	NR TMS EMPL	COORD	RESULTS
1/9	2 1/2	2 1/2	YD 098233	1 MA
2/9	1	1	YD 100233	1 MA
3/9	2	2	YD 299291	1 MA
HQCO	3	3	YD 100235	1 MA

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DRAFTER: JW/GAM:jfk

RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/LT.

IMMEDIATE 121226 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

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~~CONTINUATION~~: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 194 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 112400H-120600H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
  - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. FLA NS:
  - A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN & DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
  - A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 19 WIAME 7
  - B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 1 DETAINES: TOTAL 19(VC) 1 INN CIV 69
  - C. IWC 12 CSWC 2

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DRAFTER: 3W/APK/CLK

RELEASED BY: A.P. SZARSKY 1/LT.

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SITREP NR 195 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 120600H-121200H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

M/3/9 (-) YD 213299

ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. AT 120600H, E/2/9 PLT. RETURNED FROM SPARROWHAWK &amp; CHOPPED BACK TO 2/9 SAME DTG.

B. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

## 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LZ CONSTRUCTED AT YD 267279 DESIGNATED AS LZ DUNKIRK HAS 1 CH-46 CAPACITY.

B. LATE ENTRY: AT 111045H, 33 MONTAGNARDS APPROACHED G/2/9 POS AT CALM. THE MONTAGNARD CAME FROM TRONG RUOC AREA APPROX 10 DAYS TRAVEL FM CA LU AND REQUESTED TO BE TAKEN TO CAM LO. ADD TO CUMULATIVE TOTALS: 33 DETAINEES. DETAINEES TAKEN TO MAI LOC.

C. LATE ENTRY: ON 10 DEC RECON TM RINGLET VIC GRID SQUARE XD 9834 RPT'D ON BEING EXTRACTED FRM AREA THEY WERE APPROACHED BY 5 MONTAGNARDS (3 WOMEN AND 3 CHILDREN) AND REQUESTED TO BE TAKEN TO MAI LOC. ADD 5 DETAINEES TO TOTALS.

D. REF. CUMULATIVE TOTALS SITREP NR 194: THE 19 DETAINEES HAVE BEEN CLEARED AND ARE TO BE CARRIED AS 19 INN CIV ON THIS SITREP.

E. AT 1110H, I/3/9 VIC YD 256305 REC'D 20 RDS OF S/A FM VIC YD 250302 AND SAW 1 NVA AT SAME POS. I/3/9 RETURNED S/A AND 60MM RESULTING IN 1 NVA KILLED. EN HAD A PACK ONLY, DID NOT HAVE A WEAPON. I/3/9 CONTINUING PURSUIT OF POSSIBLE OTHER ENEMY. ADD 1 NVA (C).

F. AT 1125H, M/3/9 VIC YD 221305 FOUND 1 LOH-6 (ARMY TYPE) HELICOPTER WITH # 15437 ON TAIL OF PLANE. PLANE HAD NOTHING SALVAGABLE ABOARD. ALSO FD 1 BADLY DECOMPOSED NVA BODY IN A BODY BAG. ADD 1 NVA (C).

## 5. PLANS:

A. HELOLIFT OF L/3/9 TO VIC YD 256305 SCHEDULED FOR 1500H.  
B. ALL OTHER UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 19 WIAE ?

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 30DETAINEES: TOTAL 19 CIV 1 INN CIV 13

C. IWC 12 CSNC 2

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DRAFTER: 3W/APK:sx:jk      RELEASED BY: A.P. KOSZARSKY 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 130837

Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

HAS BEEN SENT

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
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SITREP NR 196 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTRON FROM 121200H-121800H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

CP/D/1/9 YD 098233	CP/F(-)/G-PLT/2/9 VCB	I/L/3/9 256305
A(-)/1/9 YD 056275	F/2/9 PLT YD SINAL HILL	K/3/9 PLT 198324
A/1/9 PLT YD 050286	F/2/9 PLT HILL 950	M/3/9 228302
A/1/9 PLT YD 034285	G(-)/2/9 C& I U	B/1/9 PLT 144335
B/1/9(-) YD 105267	H(-)/2/9 FSB CATES	
C(-)/1/9 YD 043213	H/2/9 PLT HILL 691	
C/1/9 PLT YD 031198	CP/K(-)/3/9 YD 248291	

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. AT 1540H, HELO-LIFTED OF B/3/9 TO VIC YD 256305  
COMMENCED. COMPLETED AT 1615H.

B. ALL OTHER UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

## 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 1125H, M/3/9 VIC YD 221302 FOUND AREA WITH 12 FIGHTING HOLES AND A SM QUANTITY OF US 782 GEAR AND CLOTHING. ALSO FOUND 4 PIECES OF PERSONAL MAIL (ONE LETTER WAS ADDRESSED TO AN INDIVIDUAL IN THE 1ST AIR CAV.) COMPANY CONTINUED TO SEARCH AREA.

B. AT 1250H, M/3/9 VIC YD 223302 FOUND 1 NVA GRAVE CONTAINING 1 DECOMPOSED BODY. GRAVE WAS FENCED FROM TRAIL BY A BAMBOO MATTED FENCE. UNIT CONT'D SEARCH OF AREA. ADD 1 NVA.

## 5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN & DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIANE 19 WIANE 7  
 B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 31 DETAINES: TOTAL 38(VC) 1 INN CIV 86  
 C. IWC 12 CSWC 2

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DRAFTER: 3W/GLW:rjk

RELEASED BY G.L. WIENSCAMP 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 130857 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

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A/R 6-3TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BT~~SITREP~~: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 197 OF DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 121800H-122400H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED &amp; DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

## 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE REPORT: AT 1615H, C/1/9 VIC YD 035281, PATROL FOUND 3 STRUCTURES 10'x18' &amp; TRAILS IN AREA. ALSO FOUND BARN &amp; 2 BUNKERS 3'x4'x5', BASKETS, POTS, SEEDS, GARDEN TOOLS &amp; OTHER MISC. GEAR. STRUCTURES &amp; GEAR DESTROYED.

B. AT 1630H, A/1/9 YD 034276 PATROL FOUND TRAIL RUNNING FROM N TO S, 2-4 YDS WIDE. TRAIL SHOWED RECENT USE. CHECKED OUT WITH NEG RESULTS.

C. AT 2130H, C/1/9 AMBUSH HEARD MOVEMENT VIC YD 038198. ENEMY FIRED 3-4 RDS. AMBUSH RETURNED FIRE. SQUAD CHECKED AREA &amp; FOUND A PATCH OF BLOOD.

## 5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN &amp; DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 19 WIA 1  
B. ENEMY: KIA (C) 31 DETAINES: TOTAL 38 (VC) 1 IHN CIV 66  
C. IWC 12 CSWC 2

## 7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:

UNIT	NR TMS	NR TMS EMPL	COORD	RESULTS
1/9	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	YD 098233	N/A
2/9	1	1	VCB	N/A
3/9	2	2	YD 248291	N/A
HQCO	3	3	YD 114335	N/A

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DRAFTER: 3W/GLW:rjk

RELEASED BY: G.L. WIESCAMP 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 130841 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

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TO: CG, TF HOTEL

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SITREP NR 198 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 122400H-130600H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED &amp; DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN &amp; DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 19 WIAME 7

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 31 DETAINES: TOTAL 38(VC) 1 INN CIV 88

C. IWC 12 CSWC 2

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BT TDS: VIA QPR/130915Z/SEC068/CON-347/BAB/BNW/070:130041Z/

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DRAFTER: JW/GAN or JK

RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/17.

IMMEDIATE 134950 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

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A/R C-3TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
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SITREP NR. 199 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 0900H-1300H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

CP/D(-) 1/9 YD 097233

ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

A(-) 1/9 YD 047277

C(-) 1/9 YD 043213

D(-) 1/9 YD 097233

A/1/9 VET YD 053281

A/1/9 PLT YD 036267

A/1/9 PLT YD 095227

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ADD TO LINE B, CUMULATIVE LOSSES 2 KIA (C).

B. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED &amp; DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

## 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 0930H, VIC YD 254304 I/3/9 FOUND 3 GRAVES ESTIMATED TO BE 8 MO OLD. GRAVES REVEALED ONLY BONES IN HAIL ROCK HEAD STONES.

B. AT 0945H, VIC YD 288309, I/3/9 FOUND A BUNKER COMPLEX CONSISTING OF 10 BUNKERS APPROX 2½ YRS OLD. BUNKERS WERE 10'x 4'x 4'. REINFORCED WITH LOGS. 4 FIGHTING HOLES AROUND AREA. CONT'D TO CHECK AREA.

C. AT 1040H, VIC YD 259310, I/3/9 FOUND 3 BUNKERS &amp; 5 FIGHTING HOLES. AREA APPEARED OVER A YEAR OLD. BUNKERS WERE 10'x 4'x 4'. REINFORCED BY LOGS, (4'x6'), FLUSH WITH EARTH. DESTROYED SAME.

## 5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN &amp; DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 12 WIAME 2

B. ENEMY: KIA (C) 3 DETAINES: TOTAL 350 (C) 2 INN CIV 88

C. IVC 12 CSWC 2

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TOB: VIA CUR/130452Z/REF00/CON-348/END/PHM/DTG 130052Z/

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DRAFTER: 3 W/GAM SR JK

RELEASER BY: G.A. MILLER 2/LT.

IMMEDIATE 1411050

Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

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SITREP NR 200 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 131200H-131800H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A/1/9 ID 056275

A/1/9 PLT ID 050286 ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

C/1/9(-) ID 043213

C/1/9 PLT ID 026215

D/1/9 PLT ID 101202

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ADD 2 IWC TO LINE C OF CUMULATIVE LOSSES.

B. ADD 13 TO LINE A KIA(C) &amp; ADD 21 TO LINE C INC.

C. ALL OTHER UNITS MAINTAINED &amp; DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

## 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 1015H, VIC YD 256303 I/3/9 FOUND A BUNKER COMPLEX WITH 57 BUNKERS 4x4x3 FT. 16 NVA STRUCTURES 15x20 FT. 3 TOILET FACILITIES. AREA APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN OCCUPIED IN LAST MONTH. FOUND IN THIS AREA WAS 4-57 RRRDS, 2 130MM ROCKET RDS, 33 60MM RDS, 1 82MM RD. 1 SKS RIFLE (VERY OLD), 8000 AK-47 RDS, 15 AK-47 MAGAZINES, 35 38 CALIBER RDS. ORDNANCE DESTROYED, CONT'D SEARCH OF AREA.

B. AT 1200H, VIC YD 251303 I/3/9 FOUND A COMPLEX OF 35 BUNKERS 7 SKS RIFLES, 1 CART BELT & GRIND POUCH. ALSO 13 GRAVES WITH (2 W/K-8) ON MARKERS. CONT'D TO SEARCH AREA.

C. AT 1150H, 097204 D/1/9 PTROL FOUND A FENCED AREA APPROX 2 FT HIGH 40 MTRS X 400 MTRS. FRONT OF AREA ENDED AT BLUE LINE. WHILE CHECKING AREA HEARD MOVEMENT TO THE WEST OF A TRAIL 40-50 MTRS DOWN HILL. CHECKED AREA & FOUND A TRAIL THAT RAN SOUTH WEST. 1 NVA STRUCTURE MADE OF GRASS, BAMBOO. NO SIGNS OF RECENT ACTIVITY.

D. AT 1245H, VIC YD 097203 D/1/9 FOUND 40 WOODEN STAKES 4 $\frac{1}{2}$  FT LONG 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  FT DIAMETER.

E. AT 1010H, vic yd 102275 B/1/9 PATROL FOUND 1 NVA STRUCTURE WITH INCOMING HOLE 3x2x3 FT. ALSO FOUND TRAIL WHICH HAD NOT BEEN USED RECENTLY.

F. AT 1530H, VIC YD 244313 I/3/9 FOUND 4 BUNKERS 4x6x8 FT 20 MTRS APART. APPROX 1 WK OLD. 1 NVA STRUCTURE 25x7x5 FT, 1 FIELD SEWING MACHINE (PEARL), 4500 BLASTING CAPS, 30 AK RDS, 1 A K MAGAZINE, (NVA CLOTHES), HELMET. DESTROYED POS, RETAINING GEAR.

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G. AT 1630H, VIC YD 242314 I/3/9 FOUND 4 NVA STRUCTURES 8x9x3 FT, 2 BUNKERS WHICH WERE UNDER 2 OF THE STRUCTURES. 4 OTHER BUNKERS 8x6x4 FT, 2 RPG RDS, 1 SKS RIFLE. DESTROYED STRUCTURES, BUNKERS & ORDNANCE. RETAINED SKS RIFLE. 60

H. AT 1720H, VIC YD 268307 L/3/9 FOUND 16 NEWLY CONSTRUCTED HOOCHES. 10 WERE TORN DOWN. WELL USED TRAILS IN AREA LEADING IN SEVERAL DIRECTIONS. A RAPID SEARCH OF AREA REVEALED THE FOLLOWING ITEMS: 72 82MM RDS, 9 RPG RDS, 2 AK-47'S, 3 GREASE GUNS, 1 RPG BAR (US TYPE), 8 SK-44 AUTO SNIPER RIFLES, 3 82MM MORTAR SIGHTS, 5000 RDS OF 7.62, 50 MAGAZINES FOR PREVIOUS WEAPONS, ASSORTED NVA & US 782 GEAR, ASSORTED DOCUMENTS. DESTROYED ORDNANCE. RETAINED WPUS. WILL CONT TO EXPLOIT AREA & COMPLEX ON 14 DEC.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 19 WIANE 7  
B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 16 DETAINEES: TOTAL 38(VC) 1 INN CIV 88  
C. IWC 35 CSWC 2

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RELEASED BY: A.P. KOSZARSKY 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 141050 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

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A/R G-3TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BTREF ID: A41050 151050Z DEC 68  
[REDACTED] PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 201 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 131800H-132400H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS. D-15, J-3, F-13

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 2015H, L/3/9 VIC YD 256305 OBSERVED BLINKING LIGHTS AT YD 262337. FIRED ARTY MSH AND LIGHTS WENT OUT.

B. REF. SITREP NR 200 PARA 4H. THE FOLLOWING GEAR: 3 GREASE GUNS, 1 BAR (US TYPE), 8 SK-44 RIFLES, AND 3 82MM SITES MENTIONED IN SPOT REPORT TO BE CORRECTED AND READ 3 CHINESE SUB-MACHINE GUN, 1 RPG MG, 8 SKS STANDARD RIFLES AND 3 SITES (TYPE UNKNOWN) RESPECTIVELY. ALSO 16 BUNKERS SHOULD BE CHANGED TO READ 60 BUNKERS.

## 5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN &amp; DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 19 WIANE 7

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 16 DETAINES: TOTA L 38(VC) 1 INN CIV 88

C. IWC 35 CSVC 2

## 7. SNIPER REPORT:

UNIT	NR TIS	NR TMS	EMPL	COORD	RESULTS
1/9	2½		2½	YD 098233	N/A
2/9	1		1	VCB	N/A
3/9	2		2	YD 248291	N/A
HQCO	3		3	YD 244335	N/A

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DRAFTER: 3W/APK:rjk

RELEASED BY: A.P. KOSZARSKY 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 111054 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

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SITREP NR 202 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 132400H-140600H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS:

A. AT 1015H, A/1/9 WILL CONDUCT HELO-ASSAULT INTO VIC YD 173289.

B. AT 1245H, C/1/9 WILL CONDUCT HELO-ASSAULT INTO YD 162273.

C. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS. F/13, AA-12, CC-9, EE-1

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 19 WIANE 7

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 46 detainees: TOTAL 38(VC) 1 INN CIV 88

C. IWC 35 CSWC 2

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DRAFTER: 3W/GCW:jk

RELEASED BY: G.L. WIESCAMP 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 110800

Z DEC 68 #77

FROM: NINTH MARDI

TO: CG, TF HOTEL

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SITREP IR 203 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 140600H-141200H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

L/3/9 YD 265309

ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

## 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 0930H, L/3/9 VIC YD 249301 FOUND 2 NEW SUB-MACHINE GUNS &amp; 2 RIFLES (CZECH) AND ASSORTED DOCUMENTS IN BUNKER COMPLEX. ADD 1 IWC.

B. AT 1030H, M/3/9 VIC YD 237313 FOUND 1 BUNKER, 1 KNIFE, 1 CAN INCREMENTS, 19 82MM MORTAR ROUNDS &amp; 4 CANS CONTAINING LUBRICANT. GEAR APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN IN AREA 1-2 WEEKS. AMMO DESTROYED.

## 5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN &amp; DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 19 WIANE 7

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 16 DETAINES: TOTAL 38 (VC) 1 INN CIV 88

C. IWC 39 CSWC 3

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DRAFTER: JW/GLW: rjk

RELEASED BY: G.L. VIESCAMP 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 160802

Z DEC 68

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FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL

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PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 20210P DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 141200H-141800H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

CP/B(-) 1/9 YD 105267	CP/F(-) 1/9 VCB	CP/K(-) 3/9 248291
A/1/9 YD 189283	F/2/9 PLT SIGNAL HILL	K/3/9 PLT 198324
C/1/9 YD 165255	F/2/9 PLT HILL 950	L/3/9 265309
D(-) 1/9 YD 095219	H(-) 2/9 CATES	M/3/9 228302
D/1/9 PLT YD 101202	H/2/9 PLT HILL 691	B/1/9 PLT 144335

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

- A. COMPLETED LIFT OF 1/9 A,C, & D CO TO PRESENT POSITIONS.
- B. A/1/9 COMMENCED LIFT AT 1150H, COMPLETED AT 1230H.
- C. C/1/9 COMM'D D LIFT AT 1345H, COMPLETED AT 1435H.
- D. ALL OTHER UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING

DAY A CES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- A. AT 1200H, M/3/9 VIC YD 236314 PATROL FOUND 8 STRUCTURES 10x25 FT, 3 OF WHICH WERE SAVED IN & 5 OF WHICH APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN USED WITHIN THE LAST 5 DAYS. ONE BUNKER 10x25 FT ESTIMATED TO BE ONLY 1 WEEK OLD & 1 TREE 80 FT HIGH WITH VINE LADDER, USED AS OP. STRUCTURES & BUNKER DESTROYED.
- B. LATE REPORT: 1115H, 1/3/9 VIC YD 243301 FOUND 5 BUNKERS 3x4 FT, 1 SKS RIFLE, 1 SUBMACHINE GUN, 1 M-1 CARBINE (# 555374), 1 PORTABLE MEGAPHONE WITH MIKE, 2 NVA GAS MASKS WITH CANISTER, 18 SHIRTS, 8 PR OF TROUSERS, 4 BLUE SWEAT SHIRTS, 1 CHISEL, ASSORTED MEDICAL GEAR, 8 AK MAG POUCHES, 8 NVA PACKS, 2 TOILET FACILITIES, 1 NVA E-TOOL, 1 US HELMET LINER, 2 NVA PICKS, 1 PAIR SCISSORS, 1 NVA CANTEEN & COVER & 1 US CANTEEN WITH COVER. BUNKERS DESTROYED, GEAR RETAINED. ADD 3 INC.
- C. AT 1215H, 1/3/9 VIC YD 251315 FOUND 1 GRAVE WITH BODY. APPEARED TO BE FEMALE. GRAVE APPROX 1 YR OLD. ADD 1 KIA(C).
- D. AT 1300H, 1/3/9 VIC YD 241306 FOUND 5 BUNKERS 5x7x8 FT, 12 RBC RDS, & ASSORTED DOCUMENTS. DESTROYED BUNKERS & ORDNANCE. RETAINING DOCUMENTS.
- E. AT 1210H, 1/3/9 VIC YD 241306 FOUND 1 BUNKER 6x10x20 FT, 250 AK RDS, 5 NVA E-TOOLS, 1 LARGE COOKING POT, 1 MICROPHONE, 1 CHICOM GRENADE, POUCH, 1 RICE SACK, 1 PLASTIC BAG, 1 NVA CANTEEN, 1 US TRICORNER HAT, 1 SHIRT, 1 RUG, 1 RPG RDS, 10 60MM MORTAR SHELLS.

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F. AT 1430H, L/3/9 VIC YD 231307 FOUND OLD ARVN POS WITH 30 FIGHTING HOLES.

G. AT 1500H, L/3/9 VIC YD 241306 FOUND WHAT APPEARS TO BE DETECTOR DEVICE 3X3X3 INCHES, WEIGHT 3LBS, WITH DIAL IN CENTER.

H. AT 1500H, VIC YD 254284 FOUND 3 STRUCTURES 15x15 FT, WITH BUNKERS UNDERNEATH, 1 BOTTLE MERTHIOLATE & 1 IVA PACK. DESTROYED BUNKERS & STRUCTURES.

I. AT 1500H, L/3/9 VIC YD 264309 FOUND E-W TRAIL & OP BETWEEN TWO TREES.

J. AT 1630H, M/3/9 VIC YD 238317 FOUND BUNKER COMPLEX CONTAIN IN 6 AK-47'S, 4 SUB-MACHINE GUNS, 8 SK'S. ADD 20 IWC.

K. AT 1700H, VIC YD 264309 L/3/9 FOUND 2000 RDS AK-47 AND 1 AK-47, 1 SKS, 2 122MM ROCKET RDS, 150 FT COMM WIRE & 1 TRIPOD MOUNTED WEAPON (POSSIBLE ZR R) WHICH WEIGHS ABOUT 80 LBS. ORDNANCE DESTROYED, WEAPONS RETAINED. ADD 2 IWC, 1 CSWC.

**5. PLANS:**

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT A CT S.

**6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:**

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 19 WIANE 7

B. ENEMY: KIA (C) 27 DETAINEES: TOTAL 38(VC) 1 INNCIV 88

C. IWC 61 CSWC 1

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DRAFTER: 3W/GALIS/PJK

RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/LT.

S.A. miller. 2/LT

IMMEDIATE 160804

Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MA R

# 79

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BTCONCERNED PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 205 OP DANSON RIVER AFTON FROM 141800H-142400H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

C/179 YD 167261

I/3/9 YD 256306

ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

D/3/9 YD 269308

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ADD TO LINE B OF CUMULATIVE LOSSES 2 KIA(C).

B. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

C. ADD TO LINE A OF CUMULATIVE LOSSES 2 WIAE AND 1 VIA NE.

## 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. THE WEAPON IDENTIFIED IN SITREP # 204 SPOT REP K IS A 75 MM RECOLESS RIFLE.

B. LATE ENTRY: AT 1700H, VIC YD 233317 M/3/9 FOUND 5 NVA STRUCTURES 10X25 FT WITH 2 BUNKERS &amp; ELABORATE BUILT TOILET FACILITIES. THERE WERE WET CLOTHES HANGING ON A CLOTHES LINE. 2 UNMARKED GRAVES, 9-5 GAL WATER CAWS. MISC GAUZE &amp; BATTLE DRESSING

## 5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS. D-11, E-4, F-13, J-1, AA-8, CC-9, EE-2

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 20 WIANE 8

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 19 DETAINES: TOTAL 38 (VC) 1 INN CIV 88

C. INC 6 CSC 1

## 7. SCOUT SNIPERS REPORT:

UNIT	MR TMS	MN TMS	EMPL	COORD	RESULTS
1/79	2		2	YD 105267	N/A
2 /9	1		1	VCB	N/A
3/9	2		2	YD 248291	N/A
HQCO	3		3	YD 144335	N/A

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DRAFTER: 3W/GAMER JK

RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/LT.

IMMEDIATE 160806

Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

# 80

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BTPERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP MR 206 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 142400H-150600H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
  - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAIN & DEF'D POA WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS:
  - A. K/3/9 AND CP WILL HELOLIFT TO VIC YD 276323.
  - B. M/3/9 WILL HELOLIFT TO VIC YD 257337.
  - C. ALL OTHER UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
  - A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 20 WIANE 6
  - B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 19 DETAINES: TOTAL 38 (VC) 1 IHN CIV 88
  - C. IWC 64 CSUC 4

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BT TDD:161010Z/VIA COURIER/AGB/MDD/CCN-421 DTG:160806Z DEC68

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orig**IMMEDIATE**A. P. Koszarsky 1ST LT.  
RELEASED BY: A. P. KOSZARSKY 1/LT.

DRAFTER: 3W/APK: rjk

IMMEDIATE 160808

Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

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TO: CG, TF HOTEL

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G-PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 207 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 150600H-151200H DEC 681. UNIT LOCATIONS:

CP/K(-) 3/9 YD 274323 C/1/9 YD 169263

M/3/9 YD 257337 D/1/9 YD 101202

A/1/9 YD 186277 ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. HELO-ASSAULT OF K/3/9(-) COMMENCED AT 0900H, COMPLETED AT 1020H.

B. M/3/9 HELO-ASSAULT COMMENCED AT 1050H, AND COMPLETED AT 1120H.

C. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 1000H, L/3/9 VIC YD 266302 FOUND A NVA PLT. SIZE PERIMETER, 25 FIGHTING HOLES APPROX 1 YR OLD.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 20 WIANE 8

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 4 DETAINES TOTAL 38(VC) 1 INN CIV 68

C. IWC 61 CSWC 1

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*Bob Wierscinski*

DRAFTER: 3W/APK or JK

RELEASED BY: A.P. KOSZARSKY 2/LT.

IMMEDIATE 160818 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

#82

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BT[REDACTED]: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 208 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 151200H-151800H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

CP/L/9 YD 105267	CP/F-P/G-P/2/9 VCB	CP/K(-)/3/9 27332 3
A/1/9 YD 198277	F/2/9 PLT SIGNAL HILL	I/3/9 YD 256306
B/1/9 (-) YD 105267	F/2/9 PLT HILL 950	L/3/9 YD 269308
C/1/9 (-) YD 173260	G/2/9 (-) CA LU	M/3/9 YD 244337
C/1/9 PLT YD 177259	H/2/9 (-) PSB CATES	K/3/9 PLT 198324
D/1/9 YD 101202	H/2/9 PLT HILL 691	P/1/9 PLT 144335

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

B. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 1200, I/3/9 VIC YD 247262 FOUND 4 BUNKERS 4x6x6 FT AND 2 HOOCHES 12x12x6 FT. AREA APPEARED ABOUT 1 YR OLD AND HADN'T BEEN USED RECENTLY.

B. AT 1200H, I/3/9 VIC YD 243306 FOUND 6 HOOCHES WITH BUNKERS UNDER THEM. ALSO FOUND SMALL AMOUNT OF 782 GEAR AND CLOTHING PLUS SOME DOCUMENTS. AREA NOT USED IN PAST 6 MOS. FORWARDING DOCUMENTS TO S-2.

C. AT 1430H, I/3/9 VIC YD 259319 FOUND 2 BUNKERS 3x6x4 FT AND 3 FIGHTING HOLES. AREA APPEARED TO BE 3 MOS OLD. UNIT DEST'D BUNKERS.

D. AT 0740H, D/1/9 VIC YD 098201 FOUND 1 PUNJI STICK PIT WITH 1 1/2 FT LONG PUNGI STAKES. ALSO FOUND VC TYPE SIGNS IN AREA MADE OF STICKS. SEARCHED SURROUNDING AREA WITH NEG RESULTS.

E. AT 1100H, D/1/9 VIC YD 102201 FOUND FRESHLY USED TRAIL WITH FOOT PRINTS TO BE AN EST 1 HR. OLD.

## 5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 20 WIANE 8  
 B. ENEMY: WIA(C) 1 SDTAINNEES: TOTAL 38(VC) 3 INN CIV 88  
 C. INC 64 CSNC 4

REF ID:  
BT TSD; VIA [REDACTED] C/N 425 TIC 1400

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DRAFTER: JW/GLW/sr/jk

RELEASED BY: G.L. WIESCAMP 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 160812 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL

BT

CENSORED: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 209 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 151800H-152400H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

CP/K/3/9 YD 273323

ALL OTHERS NO CHANGE.

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

## 3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. K/3/9 AT 1540H, VIC YD 267315 LOCAL SECURITY PATROL SPOTTED 25 NVA WITH PACKS &amp; RIFLES WEARING GREEN UTILITIES &amp; BUSH COVERS. PATROL WAS REINFORCED &amp; CONTACT MADE. NVA DISPERSED AO MADE STRAFING &amp; ROCKET RUNS FOLLOWING HEAVY EXCHANGE OF S/A FIRE DURING WHICH 1 NVA WAS BELIEVED HIT. 81 MORTAR &amp; ARTY MISSION CALLED AND NIGHT AMBUSH SET IN VIC YD 270318 &amp; HEAVY H&amp;I FIRE PLANNED FOR AREA. WILL CONTINUE TO EXPLOIT CONTACT TOMORROW. NO CASUALTIES.

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

## 5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 20 WIAME 8

B. ENEMY: KIA(0) 49 DETAINEES: TOTAL 38 (VC) 1 INN CIV 88

C. IWC 60 CSWC 1

## 7. SCOUT SNIPERS REPORT:

UNIT	DE TMS	MR TMS EMPL	COORD	RESULTS
1/9	2	2	YD 105267	N/A
2/9	1	1	VCB	N/A
3/9	2	2	YD 273323	N/A
HQEO	3	3	YD 114335	N/A

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TOD: 161010Z/VIA COURIER/AIR/RU/CON-426 DTG: 160812Z DEC68

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**UNCLASSIFIED****IMMEDIATE**S-3  
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*G.L. Wiescamp*

DRAFTER: 3W/GMW SP JK

RELEASED BY: G.L. WIESCAMP 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 160814 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR #84

TO: CG, TF HOTEL

BT

RELEASER: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 230 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 152400H-160600H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
  - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS:
  - A. AT 1030H, HELILIFT OF D/1/9 TO TSL.
  - B. ALL OTHER UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DA Y ACTS.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
  - A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 20 WIAWE 8
  - B. ENEMY: KIA (C) 1 SDTAINERS TOTAL 38 (VC) 1 IND CIV 88
  - C. IWC 64 CSWC 11

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**UNCLASSIFIED****IMMEDIATE**

DRAFTER: 3W/GAN: xjk

RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/LT.

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IMMEDIATE 160816 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

#85

TO: CG, TF HOTEL

BT

[REDACTED]: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 211 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 160600H-161200H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

C/1/9 PLT YD 180257

ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

## 5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN&amp; DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 20 WIANE 8

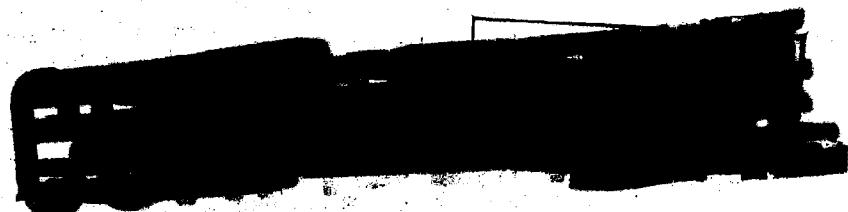
B. ENEMY: KIA(C) [REDACTED] DETAINES: TOTAL 38(VC) 1 INN CIV 88

C. IWC 61 CSIC 11

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BRIEFING: 30 JUN 1968

BY C. P. Kozackay, 150

RTE GUARD REG. A. MILLER 2/12

IMMEDIATE 17 JUL 1968 0800 HRS (A)

FROM: 150TH MAR

TO: CG, 150TH MAR

BT

~~PERIODIC INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SIXTY HR PER 24 HR PERIOD~~ FROM 161200H-161800H DEC 58

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

C/1/9 70° 13' 25"

D/1/9 70° 13' 25"

ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

A/1/9 70° 13' 25"

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ADD 1 RTAC &amp; 1 IWC TO CUMULATIVE LOSSES.

B. ADD RTAC TO CUMULATIVE LOSSES.

C. AT 0600, D/1/9 COMMENCED LIFT TO TSI, COMPLETED AT 1500H.

D. AT 2015H, D/1/9 CHOPPED TO HOTEL &amp; TO 4TH MAR, SAME DUG.

E. ALL OTHER UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

## 3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 1000Z, VTC ID 242303 M/3/9 REPORTED BEING IN CONTACT WITH AN UNKNOWN SIZE NVA FORCE. FIRING MARTIERS & ARTY, REQUESTED AC. CONTACT WAS ESTIMATED TWO 4-5 NVA. NVA FROZEN IN FACT, UPON CHECKING AREA FOUND 1 BODY, & 1 AK-47 (NEW). BODY HAD PERSONAL LETTERS WITH MISC GEAR & BACK.

B. AT 1400H, VTC ID 242303 D/1/9 VEHICLE PREPARING FOR LIFT FROM A REA, RECEIVED SEVERAL BURSTS OF AK-47 FIRE AND S/A FIRE FROM THEIR POSITION SOUTH WEST OF LZ, FROM AN ESTIMATED REIN SQD. D/1/9 ESTIMATED REIN, CALLED IN 60MM & 82MM MORTAR & ARTY SUPPORT. 2 UNK. 1 (OC) SCOUT.

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 1100H, VTC ID 190201, A/1/9 FOUND 1 MORTAR BASE PLATE, 18 M-26 GRENADES WITH CAPS REMOVED, 2 CLAYMORES WITH C-4 REMOVED, 7 FULL MAGAZINES M-16 & MISC 782 GEAR. ALL GEAR COLLECTED.

B. AT 2020H, VTC ID 242303 M/3/9 FOUND 2 STRUCTURES, 2 18x20 FT, 1 20x30 FT, 3 BUNKERS 6x2x4 FT. FOUND A TUNNEL 10 FT LONG UNDER 1 STRUCTURE, MISC GEAR FOUND, DESTROYED STRUCTURES & BUNKERS. MINE ANTIAIRCOLD OLD.

## 5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN &amp; DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

## 6. OUTLOOK:

A. UNKNOWN STATUS OF UNITS IN AREA.

B. UNKNOWN STATUS OF UNITS: TOTAL UNKNOWN STATUS IV 88

C. UNKNOWN STATUS OF UNITS: TOTAL UNKNOWN STATUS IV 88

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IMMEDIATE

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DRAFTER: 3W/APK:RJK

RELEASED BY: A.P. KOSECKY 1/11

IMMEDIATE 10627 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, PF HOTEL  
BT~~ALL PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE~~  
SITREP NR 213 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 161800H-162400H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. LATE ENTRY AT 1230H, VIC YD 194274 A/1/9 PTRL FOUND AN OLD PERIMETER WITH APPROX 500 M-16 RDS &amp; 2 CLAYMORES WITHOUT C-4. DESTROYED GEAR.

B. A/1/9 AT 1600H VIC YD 185176 FOUND MISC IVA 782 GEAR &amp; 24 60MM RDS, DESTROYED GEAR &amp; ORDNANCE.

C. AT 1316H, A/1/9 VIC YD 201271 FOUND BOOT PRINTS APPROX 1 WK OLD AND A SMALL PUNCH PIT THAT WAS DESTROYED.

D. AT 1100H, LT. GEN BUSE AND PARTY INSPECTED 9TH MAR HQ FORWARDED AF DS3 DICK.

E. CORRECTION TO SITREP NR 212. DETAINES:TOTAL SHOULD READ 38. CORRECTED THIS SITREP.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS. D-10, E-9, F-4, J-3, AA-10, CC-7

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 22 WIAME 8

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 50DETAINES:TOTAL 38(VC) 1 HIN CIV 68

C. IWC 0; CSNC 0

7. SCOUT SPOTTER REPORT:

UNIT	MR TMS	MR TMS ENPL	COORD	RESULTS
1/9	2	2	YD 105267	N/A
2/9	1	1	VCE	N/A
3/9	2	2	YD 272323	N/A
HQCO	3	3	YD 144335	N/A

GP-4 TOR: 170700Z/06UR/JS/RDU/CCN:439 DTG: 170627Z DEC 68

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**IMMEDIATE**

A.P. Koszansky 1/LT.

DRAFTER: JW/APK:jk

RELEASED BY: A.P. KOSZANSKY 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 170629Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAW

TO: CG, TF HQD&amp;C

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PERISHABLE INFO PANS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 214 OF DAVISON RIVER ATTON FROM 162400H-170000H DEC 681. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 22 WIAME 8

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 50 DEFAINTES: TOTAL 36(VC) 1 INN CIV 88

C. INC 65 CSUIC 11

GP-4 TOR: 170700Z/CEUR/JS/RDD/CON: 446 DTG: 170629Z DEC 68

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0119**IMMEDIATE**

DRAFTED BY: 210 P/M

RELEASED BY: G.L. WIESCAIR 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE

Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, 1F BDE

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 SITREP NR 213 OF DAYSON RIVER AFTON FROM 170600H-171200H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. IN VIEW OF AREA 1, SITREP # 213 THE GRID SHOULD BE CHANGED FROM 100 TO 180 TO YD 185276.

B. AT 1000H, VIC YD 276293, L/3/9 FOUND OLD NVA CAMP SITE WITH 2 FIGHTING HOMES &amp; 2 GRAVES. AREA ABOUT 1 YR OLD. ADD 2 NVA(C).

C. AT 1030H, PATROL FROM 1/9 FOUND FRESH TRAILS &amp; FOOTPRINTS VIC YD 182253. AC CALLED &amp; ARTY MISSION BEING WORKED UP.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY KIA 2 WIAE 22 WIANE 8

B. ENEMY KIA(C) 52 DETAINERS: TOTAL 38 (VC) 1 INN CIV 88

C. IWC 05 CBM 1

GP-4 TSD: 110700Z/04UR/JS/RD/CNN: 463 876, 180510Z DEC 68

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DRAFTED BY: G.C. WIESCAIP 3/LT.

RELEASED BY: G.C. WIESCAIP 3/LT.

DRAFTED BY: G.C. WIESCAIP 3/LT.

Z DEC 68

FROM: 1ST ITH MAJ

TO: CG, 2D BN 130WV.

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REFRESHABLE INFO/PA SS WITHOUT SERVICE  
STRIP IN 216 CP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 171200H-171800H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A. 1/1 100M N OF 205267 CP/E/3/9 YD 273323 M/3/9 YD 244337  
 A/1/2 100M N 190277 L/3/9 YD 256306 B/1/9 PLT 144335  
 A/3/3 100M N 186275 K/3/9 PLT YD 196324  
 C/1/2 100M N 186257 L/3/9 YD 269308

ALL OTHER LOCNS NO CHANGE.

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. 1100 HRS 1300H (CONTINUED) AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS &amp; ACTIVITIES:

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. 1100 HRS 1300H, VIC YD 190269 4/1/9 FOUND 2 STRUCTURES, A HUT, & 60MM MORTAR RD, 2 BOTTLES MEDICINE, 2 CANS OF CLEANING FLUID, 5 BANANA CLIPS FOR AK-47, 2 CANTEENS, 2 PR OF GLOVES, 2 BELTS, 2 AMMO POUCHES, 1 GAS MASK FILTER, & 1 LEATHER. NO SIGN OF RECENT ACTIVITY IN AREA.

B. 1100 HRS 1300H, VIC YD 280313 L/3/9 PATROL FOUND OLD IVA CAMP SITE WITH 12 FIGHTING HOLES 2-5 MONTHS OLD. PATROL CLOSED FIGHTING HOLES.

C. 1100 HRS, VIC YD 012453, 51 MONTARGARDS WITH BELONGINGS TURNED THEMSELVES IN TO 2/9 AT CA LU. SAID THEY'D COME FROM XA 100 BAU AREA. ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE MADE TO TRANSPORT THEM TO CAM 60, ADD 51 IN CIV.

D. 1100 HRS, C/1/9 PATROL VIC YD 181253 SAW ONE ENEMY IN OPEN FIELD SPREAD. APPEARED TO BE BATHING. PATROL OPENED FIRE WITH M-60'S AND M-79'S. ENEMY RAN INTO BRUSH LEAVING CLOCKING BEEING.

E. 1100 HRS, 1/9 OP VIC YD 178258 SAW ONE IND. WALKING TOWARD HIS PCS CARRYING A WEAPON & DRESSED LIKE ARVN. APPEARED TO BE MOOD. INDIVIDUAL TURNED & RAN AND OP FIRED AT HIM WITH NEG RESULTS.

F. PLANS: 1100 HRS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

## 6. OUTLINE OF LOSSES:

A. 1100 HRS 1300H, 1/9 REPORTED 1 KIA 2 WIA 6 S. 1100 HRS 1300H, 1/9 REPORTED 1 KIA 1 WIA 1 INN CIV 139

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A. Miller S/CT

EXAMINER/CHIEF JR. RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/IT.

RECORDED 12/4/68 3 DEC 68

FROM: MILLER MA R

TO: CO, TF HORN

RE:

PERIODIC INFO/PASS W/IN CIVIL SERVICE  
SIXTY FT ALV OF DAY IN THER APT ON 1200H-1700H

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

1. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACT'S.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

1. AT 2300H, VIC TD 178259 AN AMBUSH FROM C/1/9 OBSERVED  
BY ENEMY APPROACHING THEIR SITE. AMBUSH WAITED UNTIL ENEMY  
WERE WITHIN 15 MTS OF THEIR POS & PLACED CLAYMORES, & FIRED  
S/A & A/W. ELIMINATION MISSION WAS FIRED & AMBUSH SAW  
ENEMY MOVING FROM AREA & HEARD MEANING SOUNDS. AGAIN TOOK IN  
UNNER FIRE. RESULTS UNKNOWN DUE TO TERRAIN & DARKNESS. WILL  
CHECK AREA OUT IN FIRST LIGHT.

5. PLANS:

1. ALL UNITS MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING  
NIGHT ACT'S. D-1, E-1, F-1, G-2, AA-15, CC-5, RE-3

6. CASUALTIES/LOSSES:

1. DRAFTED KIA 2 VIAB 22 VIAB 8

2. ENDING KIA(C) 2 DETAINES: TOTAL 38(VC) 1 INN CIV 132

3. 146 65 GSWC 4

7. SCOUT SHIFTERS REPORT:

UNIT	HRS	NR TNS	NR MPL	COORD	RESULTS
1/3	2		2	YD 105267	N/A
2/3	1		1	VCD	N/A
3/3	2		2	YD 105267	N/A
RRG	3		3	YD 105267	N/A

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DRAFTER: JW/GAM/scr/jk

RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/LT.

IMMEDIATE 194514Z DEC 68

FROM: N LIVIN MAR

TO: CG, IV FDBL  
BTPERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 218 OF DAYS ON RIVER AFTG FROM 172400H-180600H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS:

A. 1/1/9 WILL LIFT TO FSB HENDERSON.

B. L/1/3/9 WILL MOVE TO NEW POS &amp; ESTABLISH CO PPB.

C. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 22 WIAME 8

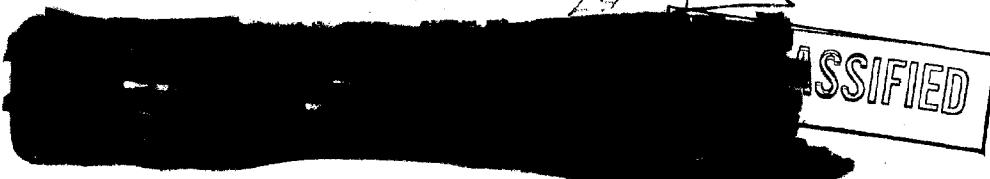
B. ENEMY: KIA(3) DETAINEES: TOTAL 38(VC) 1 INN CIV 132

C. INV 65 CSNC 4

GP-4 TEL: 180700Z/COUR/JS/RDD/CCN: 466 RTE: 180516Z DEC 68

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LEADER BY AIRMAIL RELEASED BY A.P. KOSZARSKY 1/12.

TRANSMISSION 161453Z 2 DEC 68

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A/R 2-2

TO: CG, 1ST MDTB

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[REDACTED] PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP FOR 2200Z OF DAYTON RIVER AFTRN WIA 13 DEC 68 DSC 68

1. 001200Z 22 DEC 68  
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L/3/9 3D 2-2

ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

2. SURVEY OF CIVILIANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL COMMENCE LIFT TO FSB HENIGSON.

B. ALL UNITS MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POS WHILE CONDUCTING

DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACT: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. LIAISON:

A. UNITS COMMENCE LIFT OF L/3/9 TO FSB HENIGSON.

B. ALL OTHER UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEFEND POS WHILE CONDUCTING

CUMULATIVE SURVEYS

A. PTF 100000Z 22 DEC 68 WIAE 22 WIA 6

B. ENTRC 100000Z 22 DEC 68 TOTAL 18 (VC) 1 INF CIV 129

C. INC 62 CIV 6

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RT 1 TDF VIA 0800Z 191955Z/DEC68/CON- 932/ERB/DTU:191554Z/  
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DRAFTER: 3W/APK:rjk RELEASED BY S.A.F. KOSZARSKY 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 191555 Z DEC 68  
HAS BEEN SENT  
FROM: NINTH MAR A/R 8-3TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BTPERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP IR 220 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 181200H-181800H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

CP/B(-)/1/9 YD 105267	CP/E/F-PLT/G-PLT/2/9 VCB CP/3/9 273323
A(-)/1/9 YD 198277	F/2/9 PLT XD 978180 I/3/9 FSB HENDERS
A/1/9 PLT YD 214284	F/2/9 PLT XD 844456 K(-)/3/9 273323
B/1/9 PLT YD 144335	G/2/9(-) CA LU L/3/9 263331
C/1/9 YD 180257	H(-)/2/9 FSB CATES M(-)/3/9 253344
A/1/9 PLT YD 215262	H/2/9 PLT XD 926443 M/3/9 PLT 237344
	K/3/9 PLT 198324

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. AIR LIFT OF 1/3/9 TO FSB HENDERSON COMPLETED AT 1445H.  
AT SAME DTG 1/3/9 WAS CHOPPED TO 2/9 ACCOMPANIED BY BOUNDARY CHANGE.  
B. AT 1245H, E/2/9 WAS CHOPPED BACK TO 9TH MAR FROM 4TH MAR.  
E/2/9 CHOPPED TO 2/9.

C. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

## 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 1300H, A/1/9 VIC YD 214283 FOUND 14 82MM RDS., 30 FUSES, AND 2 CANS OF INCINERENTS AND CHARGES. ALL GEAR WAS FOUND BEHIND A TREE ALONG TRAIL. UNIT DEST'D GEAR.

B. AT 1600H, C/1/9 VIC YD 182251 PATROL FOUND BODY IN GRAVE, 1 NVA KNIFE & 1 9MM PISTOL. AT 170277 FOUND CASE OF 8 60MM MORTAR RDS. 8 FT TRAIL RUNS FROM YD 175253 SOUTH TO 179244. ADD 1 NVA(C).

C. AT 1435H, FSB SHILOH 1/9 REPORTED A CH-53 SET DOWN IN LZ BLOWING ASHES & EMBERS INTO BRUSH 25-30 METERS FROM ARTY AND EXTERIOR READY FOR EXTRACTION. FIRE SWEPT UP HILL TO PARAPET WHERE AMMO WAS. BLAZE EXTINGUISHED A MINIMUM LOSS OF EQUIPMENT & NO CASUALTIES.

## 5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 22 WIANE 8  
B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 53 DETAINES: TOTAL 38 (VC) 1 INN CIV 139  
C. INC 65 CSWC 1

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*G.L. Wiescamp*

PRAFTER: JW/GLW:rjk RELEASED BY: G.L. WIESCAMP 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 191556 Z DEC 68FROM: NINTH MAR HA BEEN SENT  
A/R G-3

TO: CG, TF HOTEL

INFO: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 221 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 161800H-182400H DEC 68

UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN &amp; DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 22 WIAWE 8

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 53 DETAINES: TOTAL 38 (VC) 1 INN CIV 139

C. IWC 65 CSWC 1

SCOUT SNIPERS REPORT:

UNIT	NR TIS	NR TMS	NR EMPL	COORD	RESULTS
1/9	2	2	2	YD 105267	N/A
2/9	1	1	1	VCB	N/A
3/9	2	2	2	YD 273323	N/A
HQCO	3	3	3	YD 144335	N/A

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DRAFTER: JW/GLW:rjk

RELEASED BY: G.A. WIESCAMP 1/LT J

IMMEDIATE 1915 57

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FROM: NINTH MAR

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TO: CG, TF HOTEL

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SITREP NR 222 OF DAVS ON RIVER AFTON FROM 182400H-190600H DEC 68

3. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 0030H, VCB A SQD LEADER FROM E/2/9 WITH HIS RADIO MAN WERE CHECKING LINES. AS THEY APPROACHED ONE POSITION ONE MAN OPENED FIRE. BOTH MEN HIT THE DECK &amp; CALLED OUT TELLING WHO THEY WERE THEN APPROACHED AGAIN. SAME PERSON OPENED FIRE AGAIN, HITTING THE RADIO MAN 4 TIMES. HE WAS MEDVACED TO "C" MED BUT DIED ABOUT 0200. INVESTIGATION IS UNDER WAY.

5. PLANS:

A. AT 1030H, C/1/9 GP LEFT TO VIC YD 198305.

B. AFTER C/1/9 LEFT, LEFT B(-)1/9 TO VIC YD 198324 FROM WHICH POS THEY WILL OPERATE IN NORTHERLY DIRECTION.

C. E/2/9 PLT TO RELIEVE F/2/9 PLT ON SIGNAL HILL AND HILL 950.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 22 WIAME 8

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 53 DETAINERS: TOTAL 38(VC) 1 IWW CIV 23

C. IWC 65 CS C 4

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DRAFTER: 3W/GAMMIDH

RELEASED BY G.A. MILLER 2/LT.

IMMEDIATE 191558Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

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A/R 6-3

TO: CG, TF HOTEL

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PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 223 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 190600H-191200H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

- A. 1/9, 2/9 NO CHANGE
- B. M/3/9 YD 245343

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

- A. C/1/9 COM LIFT TO 198305 AT 1050H COMPL 1120H.
- B. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

## 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- A. AT 0930H VIC 262314 K/3/9 FOUND 6-60MM RDS, MOUNTED ON CARRYING STICK 4' LONG. FOUND ALONG TRAIL. RUSTY APPEARED OLD. DESTROYED RDS. CONT TO CHECK AREA.

- B. AT 1030H VIC-218285 A/1/9 FOUND MISC US 782 GEAR AND MISC S/A RDS AND M-26, 2 CLAMORE HELL BOXES AND CORDS. RETURNED GEAR TO CP.

## 5. PLANS:

- A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

- A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 22 WIANE 3
- B. ENEMY: KIA (C) 53 DETAINEES: TOTAL 38 (VC) 1 INN CIV 139
- C. IWC65 CSWC 11

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DRAFTER: SW/GA/AF JK

RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2 ALF.

IMMEDIATE 220420 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL

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**HAS BEEN SENT**ALL PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 224 OF DAUSON RIVER AFTON FROM 191200-191800H DEC 681. UNIT LOCATIONS:

CP/C/1/9 198305 M/3/9 YD 230355  
 A/1/9 PLT YD 211204 ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.  
 B/1/9 YD 198324

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

- A. AT 1330H, E/2/9 LIFT TO SIGNAL HILL & 950 COMN & COMPL AT 1455H.
- B. AT 1445H, F/2/9 ASSUMED SPARROW HAWK, BALD EAGLE REQUIREMENT.
- C. "W" BTRY LIFT COMMENCED AT 1430H, TO VIC YD 234358. COMPLETED AT 1730H.
- D. B/1/9 COMMENCED LIFT AT 1605H, TO VIC YD 198324 COMPLETED AT 1650H.
- E. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED & DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- A. AT 1130H, VIC YD 012453 C/2/9 AT CALIF H/D II MONTENGARDS APPROACH THEIR POS REQUESTING TO GO TO CAM LO. HQ 9TH, S-2 SET UP TRANSPORTATION FOR 1500H.

B. AT 1430H, VIC YD 223260 A/1/9 FOUND 1 CH-46 DOWNED CHOPPER ESTIMATED TO BE 1 YEAR OLD. TAIL NUMBER 37. FOUND HUMAN BONES & ID TAGS WITH NAMES WHITE, R. 2353781, PORTLAND, G.J., 2266513, & BARRY, K.D., 2325949. ALSO FOUND ONE WATCH WITH NAME SCHRAM, F.L. ENGRAVED ON BACK. ALSO TAIL PEACE THAT HAD HHH-46 ON IT. AT 1630H, FOUND 4 ID CARDS, WITH NAMES OF NICHOLSON, D.D. 2323079 & FREEMAN, G.W. 2200577. DIAZ, D. 2347916; DAY, M.R. 2152524, ALSO 2 45 CAL PISTOLS # 936454, 2130875.

5. PLANS:

- A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

- A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 22 WIANE 8
- B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 5 DETAINES: TOTAL 3 (VC) 1 INN CIV 139
- C. INC 65 CSWC 11

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*A.P. Koszarsky 1ST LT.*

DRAFTER: 3W/APK:rjk      RELEASED BY: A.P. KOSZARSKY 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 220412 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
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**:PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE**  
**SITREP NR 225 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 191800H-192400H DEC 68**

1. **UNIT LOCATIONS:** NO CHANGE
2. **SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:**
  - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.
3. **ENEMY CONTACTS:** NONE
4. **OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:**
  - A. AT 1930H, L/3/9 VIC YD 263331 OBSERVED LIGHTS AT YD 265345, SHOT ARTY MISSION AND LIGHT WENT OUT.
  - B. CORRECTION TO SITREP NR 224 PARA 4B: SPOT REPORTS SHOULD READ 1 CH-43 INSTEAD OF 1 CH-46.
5. **PLANS:**
  - A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS. C=3, D=14, F=11, I=2, AA=11, EE=1, CC=7
6. **CUMULATIVE LOSSES:**
  - A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 22 WIANE 8
  - B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 53 DETAINES: TOTAL 38 (VC) 1 INN CIV 139
  - C. IWC 65 CWIC 11

7. **SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:**

UNIT	NR TMS	NR TMS	EMPL	COORD	RESULTS
1/9	2½		2½	YD 198305	N/A
2/9	1		1	VGB	N/A
3/9	2		2	YD 273323	N/A
HQCO	3		3	YD 144335	N/A

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DRAFTER: 3W/APK:rjk RELEASED BY: A.P. KOSZAEKY 1/LT

IMMEDIATE 220424 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BTPERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 226 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 192400H-200600H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
  - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS:
  - A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
  - A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 22 WIAME 8
  - B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 53 DETAINES: TOTAL 38 (VC) 1 INJ CTV 139
  - C. IWC 65 CSWC 1

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BT TOR; 220500Z/VIA COURIER/AGB/RDB/CCN-556 DTG: 220424Z DEC68

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*G.W. Wiescamp*

DRAFTER: 3W/GLW SP JK RELEASED BY: G.L. WIESCAMP 1/LT.

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TO: CG, TF HOTEL

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RELEASER: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 227 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 200600H-201200H DEC 681. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A/1/9 PLT YD 222260 M/3/9 YD 231354

A/1/9 PLT YD 224279 ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

A. AT 1110H, M/3/9 VIC YD 225367 PATROL FOUND TRAIL RUNNING NE-SW. ALSO SIGHTED 3 NVA. OPENED UP WITH S/A &amp; RECEIVED S/A FIRE IN RETURN. CALLING IN 81's &amp; ARTY AND HAVE REQUESTED A.O.

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 1145H, I/3/9 VIC YD 098395 FOUND OLD PARTLY DESTROYED HOOCH 12'x6'x4' ABOUT 1 YR OLD, UNUSED IN LAST 6 MONTHS. FOUND 275 CASES 7.92 AMMO, 50 CASES 7.62, 24 CASES .45 CAL, &amp; 6 CASES TNT.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. KIA 2 WIAE 22 WIANE 8 FRIENDLY:

B. ENEMY: KIA (C) 2 DETAINES: TOTAL 1 (VC) 1 INN CIV 186.

C. IWC 65 CSWC 1

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DRAFTER: 3U/GAM:jk

RELEASED BY: G.A. HILLER 2/1/71

IMMEDIATE ~~220428Z DEC 68~~

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BP~~CONFIDENTIAL: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE~~  
~~SITREP NR 228 OP DAWSON RIVER FROM 201200H-201800H DEC 68~~

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

CP/1/9 YD 144335  
 A(-)/1/9 YD 198275  
 A/1/9 PLT YD 309295  
 B(-)/1/9 YD 218333  
 B/1/9 PLT YD 144335  
 C(-)/1/9 YD 195295  
 C/1/9 PLT YD 185295

I/3/9 YD 081411  
 I/1/9 PLT YD 094394  
 K/3/9 YD 273323  
 K/3/9 PLT YD 195325  
 L/3/9 YD 263331  
 M/3/9 YD 231354  
 ALL UNITS NO CHANGE.

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. C/1/9 MOVED TO LZ DICK YD 144335, COMMENCED AT 1630H, COMPLETED AT 1705H.

B. C/1/9 COMMENCED LIFT TO YD 194295 AT 1710H & COMPLETED AT 1750H.

C. ALL OTHER UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

## 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 1445H, VIC YD 098395 I/3/9 FOUND 2 THOMPSON SUB-MACHINE GUNS (OLD), 8 CASES 30 CAL, 192 RDS PER CASE, 27 CASES OF 45 CAL (600 RDS PER CASE), 12 CASES OF 50 CAL, (500 RDS PER CASE), 7 CASES OF TNT, 105 CASES OF 7.92 CAL, (800 RDS PER CASE), 60 CASES OF 7.62, (400 RDS PER CASE). TRAIL ON MAP WAS ONE USED, ABOUT 3° WIDE. GEAR WAS 300 MTRS OFF TRAIL. AMMO WAS IN A HOOCH.

B. AT 1450H, VIC YD 066425 I/3/9 FOUND ONE HOOCH 4x4x4 FT. & A BAMBOO HOOCH 2x6x10 FT, ABOUT 100 MTRS FROM RIVER WITH 466 SAND BAGS FILLED WITH FRESH RICE. AREA APPEARED TO BE ABOUT A WEEK OLD. ESTIMATED 900 LBS OF RICE. I/3/9 WILL SET UP AN AMBUSH IN AREA TONITE.

## 5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 22 WIANE 8

B. ENEMY: KIA (C) 53 DETAINES: TOTAL 38(VC) 1 INN CIV 139

C. IWC 65 CSWC 1

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BT TBR:220500Z/VIA COURIER/AGB/RDB/CCN-558 DTG:220428Z DEC 68

#228

(B)

## DECLASSIFIED

DRAFTER: 3W/GAU-JK RELEASED BY: G.A. MILITIA 2/LT.

IMMEDIATE 220500Z DEC 68

FROM: 111TH MAR

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CONFIDENTIAL: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 229 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 201800H-202400H DEC 681. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A/1/9 PLT YD 198261	I/3/9 PLT YD 066425
A/1/9 PLT YD 205293	I/3/9 PLT YD 075395
C/1/9 PLT YD 192297	ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.
B/1/9 YD 198323	

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 1530H, VIC YD 193295 C/1/9 PLT WHILE ON PATROL FOUND WHAT ITT TM SAID WAS A WAY STATION WITH 3 WOMEN DETAINES. FOUND IN AREA WAS 2 CARBINE RIFLES, RADIO TUBES, TWO BOXES OF TRANSISTORS, 15' COMI WIRE WITH ATTACHMENTS, 250' COMI WIRE, 1 LARGE TRANSMITTER, ESTIMA TID WEIGHT 50 LBS., POWER WITH CRANK & ANOTHER RADIO, 1 TYPEWRITER, 3 NVA PACKS, SOME DOCUMENTS DATED MAY 68, MEDICAL SUPPLIES IN A PACK, ASSORTED 782 GEAR, ASSORTED CLOTHING. ITT TM SAID THAT 150 NVA HAD BEEN IN AREA 29 DAYS BEFORE & HAD 5 WPNS BETWEEN THEM & CARRYING HEAVY PACKS. THE 3 WOMEN DETAINES WERE SUPPOSEDLY FORCE LABOR. GEAR IS IN POSSESSION OF C/1/9 PLT AT YD 195295 AVAITING EXTRACTION FROM AREA. LATE REPORT FROM ITT TM: THE 150 NVA CLAIMED THEY WOULD RETURE IN ONE WEEK. DETAINES CLAIMED THEY HAVE BEEN IN AREA FOR ONE YR & THAT THERE IS ANOTHER WAY STATION NEAR BY. C/1/9 WILL EXPLOIT AREA TOMORROW.

B. AT 2035H, VIC YD 263331 I/3/9 SPOTTED FLASHING LIGHTS, FIRED 106 MISSION & LIGHTS WENT OUT IMMEDIATELY.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN A ND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS. D-25, E-4, F-13, J-3, AA-14, CC-9, EE-1

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 22 WIANE 8  
 B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 5 DETAINES: TOTAL 3 (VC) 1 INN CIV 139  
 C. IWC 67 CSVC 1

7. SCOUT SNIPERS REPORT:

UNIT	NR TMS	NR TMS	EMPL	COORD	RESULTS
1/9	2		2	YD 144335	N/A
2/9	1		1	VCB	N/A
3/9	2		2	YD 273323	N/A
HQCO	3		3	YD 144335	N/A

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BT FOR 220500Z VIA COURIER/AGB/RDB/CCN-559 DTG 220430Z DEC 68

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**UNCLASSIFIED**

DRAFTER: 3W/GLW:RJK

RELEASED BY: G.L. WIESCAMP 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 220431 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BT~~CONTINUATION~~: PERISHABLE INFO/PA SS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 230 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 202400H-210600H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
  - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED & DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.
  - B. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
  - C. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS:
  - A. ALL OTHER UNITS WILL MAINTAIN & DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.
  - B. B/1/9 WILL CONDUCT RELOASSAULT VIC YD 172290 & MOVE OVERLAND TO VIC YD 167311 TO ACT AS BLOCKING FORCE.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
  - A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 22 WIAWE 8
  - B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 53 DETAINES: TOTAL 11(VC) 1 INN CIV 139
  - C. IWC 67 CSWC 1

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BT TOR/220500Z/VIA COURIER/AGB/RDD/CON-560 DTG:220432Z DEC68

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DRAFTER: 3W/GAM 3P/JL RELEASED BY K.A. MILLER 2/LT.

IMMEDIATE 220434 Z DEC 68

FROM: 111TH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BTREF ID: A65125  
CONFIDENTIAL & PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 231 OF DAWSON RIVER AREA FROM 210600H-211200H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

E/1/9 MOVING FROM YD 172290 TO YD 167311

ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. B/1/9 COMMENCED LIFT TO VIC YD 172290 AT 0910H, &  
COMPLETED AT 0930H.B. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING  
DAY ACTS.

## 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 0900H, VIC YD 197298 C/1/9 SPOTTED MOVEMENT IN BUSHES  
& FIRED M-60 ON VIC & SAW 1 CHARACTER DEPART FROM AREA, FIRED  
AGAIN AND SENT A SQD TO CHECK OUT AREA. AT 0930H, VIC YD  
193295 C/1/9 WHILE CHECKING AREA FOUND 1 OLD CAMP FIRE SITE  
APPROX 48 HRS OLD. CONT'D TO CHECK AREA.B. AT 1010H, VIC YD 230365 M/3/9 FOUND A U.S. CLAYMORE  
MINE RIGGED ON TRAIL, APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN PUT THERE RECENTLY  
M/3/9 DISARMED MINE.

## 5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING  
DAY ACTS.

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 22 WIAME 8

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 5 DETAINERS: TOTAL 11 (VC) 1 INN CIV 139

C. INC 67 CSNC 11

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BT TOR: 220500Z/VIA COURIER/ AGB/RDD/CCN-561 DTG: 220434Z BEG68

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**UNCLASSIFIED**REF ID: A651454  
DRAFTED BY S1 U.S. WIESCAMP 1/22

IMMEDIATE 240900Z DEC 68

FROM: 11TH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOLE  
BT~~PERIODIC: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE~~  
~~SITREP NR 232 OF DAISON RIVER ARTOON FROM 211200H-211800H DEC 68~~3. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A. CP/E/9 LZ DICK	CP/2/9 VCB	CP, E/3/9
A/1/9 198275	E- VCB	I/3/9 FSB HENDERSON
APLT 198261	E PLT HILL 950	K PLT 195325
APLT 205293	E PLT SIG HILL	L 263331
B- 164308	F- VCB	M 231354
B PLT LZ DICK	G- CA LU	
C- 195295	G PLT VCB	
C PLT 192297	H- FSB CAVES	
	E PLT HILL 691	

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ADD 1 WIAE TO COMM LOSSES.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 11135H VIC 229365 N/3/9 FOUND WHAT APPEARED TO BE A SMALL MONTANARD VILLE, FOUND 3 "C" RAT BOXES W/RICE AND MEAT STILL EATABLE. 15-20 PIGS AND 12 CHICKENS. MISC U.S. 782 GEAR ALSO INCOMING HOLES IN VILL. LIVESTOCK WILL BE RETURNED TO A POSIT FOR EXTRACTION.

B. AT 1030H VIC 950 AT 0419455 E PLT W ILE ON PATROL, FOUND A DUD 60MM MORTAR RD AND PREPARED IT TO BE DESTROYED. WHILE WAITING FOR CLEARANCE TO BLOW IT CHARGE WAS ACCID. SET OFF RESULTING 1 WIAE WOUNDED IN CHEST AND ARMS COND SERIOUS.

C. AT 1210H M/3/9 VIC 220366 FINAL SPOT REPORT TO REPORT IN PARA A ABOVE. FOUND 4 STRUCTURES 30x15, 3 BUNKERS 6x3x3', SEVERAL BOOKS ON MATL, HISTORY AND ENGINEERING, 9 WOVEN BASKETS, 2 FISH TRAPS, 3 PR. RAIN TROUSERS, 1 U.S. BATTLE DRESSING, FRESH PEAS, ASSORTED CLOTHING, 1 PR JUNGLE BOOTS, 2M-16 MAGS, 1 NVA CANTIN, 1 GRAIN CRUSHER, 7 CHICKENS, 9 HOGS, 1 RUG, ASSORTED MED. GEAR, 3 POTS, 100RD SH-60 AMMO, 4 DEMO BOOSTERS, 1½ LBS TNT, ASSORTED TOOLS AND U.S. MILITARY GEAR. LIVESTOCK KILLED.

D. 1400H E/3/9 VIC 261305 TO 279305 FOUND WHAT APPEARED TO BE TELEGRAPH LINE ATTACHED WITH INSULATORS TO TREES WITH 1/8" COPPER WIRE CONNECTING. WIRE CUT IN SEVERAL PLACES. FROM 279305 WIRE CONTINUED SOUTH.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN A HD DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 2, WIANE 8

B. ENEMY: KIA (C) 53, DEFAUTURES: TOTAL 1 (PC), 1 INT, CIV, 122

C. INJURY: OSWC 1

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TER: 240819Z DEC 68/VIA COURIER TT/CCN: 1152/HKS/DTG 211800Z

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PH 240805Z

DRAFTER: 3W/GAM: JH JK

RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/LT.

IMEDIA TE 240805Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BT~~CONFIDENTIAL: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS, WITHOUT SERVICE~~  
SITREP NR 233 CP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 211800H-212400H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
  - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.
  - B. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
  - C. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
3. PLANS:
  - A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS. E=3, I=2, U=3, O=7, Q=2, V=4
4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 23 WIADE 8  
 B. ENEMY: WIA(C) 53 DTAUNES: TOTAL 1 (VC) 1 MN CIV 177  
 C. IWC 67 CSNC 1

7. SCOUT SNIPERS REPORT:

UNIT	HR TMS	MR TMS	EMPL	COORD	RESULTS
179	2 1/2		2 1/2	YD 144335	N/A
2/9	1		1	VCB	N/A
3/9	2		2	YD 273323	N/A
HQCO	3		3	YD 144335	N/A

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FOR: 240805Z DEC 68/VIA COURIER TT/OCN 1158/HRS/DTG 240802Z

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DRAFTER: 3W/GAM: PJK

RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/LT.

IMMEDIATE 240804Z 2 DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL

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~~SUMMARY:~~ PERSIMILAR INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 234 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 212400H-220600H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
  - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS:
  - A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
  - A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 23 WIAIE 8
  - B. ENEMY: KIA (C) 53 DETAINEES: TOTAL 1 (VC) 1 INN CIV 177
  - C. IWC 67 CSUC 4

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TOR: 240810Z DEC 68/VIA COURIER TT/CON: 1157/HRS/DTG 240804Z

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*GJ Wiescamp*

DRAFTER: JW/G, LW: rjk      RELEASED BY: G.J. WIESCAMP 1/LT.  
 IMMEDIATE 140806      Z DEC 68  
 FROM: NINTH MAR      1154  
 TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
 BT  
ALL: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
 SITREP NR 235 OP DAWS ON RIVER AFTON FROM 220600H-221200H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:  
M/L/3/9 VCB  
ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
  - A. AT 0815H, M/3/9 COMMENCED HELILIFT, AND COMPLETED AT 0855H.
  - B. AT 0855H, L/3/9 COMMENCED HELILIFT, AND COMPLETED AT 1025H.
  - C. ALL OTHER UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS:
  - A. CONTINUE EXTRACTION OF CP/3/9 AND A(-)/1/9.
  - B. ALL OTHER UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
  - A.. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 23 WIANE 8
  - B.. ENEMY: KIA(C) 5 DETAINEES: TOTAL 1 INNCIV 177 (VC) 1
  - C. INC 69 CSWC 1

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TUE, 240830Z DEC 68/VIA COURIER TT/CONN; 1156/HRS/DTG 240806Z

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P/C/P 1182

J. Wiescham

DRAFTER: JW/GAM:rjk

RELEASED BY: G.A. HILLER 2/LT.

IMMEDIATE 240808Z

2 DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BTCONTENTS: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 236 OP DAVS ON RIVLR AFTON FROM 221200H-221800H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

- A/1/9 YD 114335      A/1/9 PLT YD 198296  
A/1/9 YD 198275      ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.  
B/1/9 YD 167315  
B/1/9 PLT 144335  
C/1/9 REIN 198296

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

- A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

## 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- A. LATE REPORT: AT 1150H, H/2/9 VIC XD 929449 FOUND FRESH TRACKS OF NVA BOOTS & SOME SIGNS OF DIGGING BY NVA.

## 5. PLANS:

- A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN & DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

- A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 23 WIANE 8  
B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 53 DETAINES: TOTAL 3 (VC) 1 INN CIV 177  
C. IWC 69 CSWC 4

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TER: 240814Z DEC 68/VIA COURIER TT/CCN: 1155/HRS/DTG 240808Z

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## IMMEDIATE

*R. Miller*

DRAFTER: 3W/GAM or JK

RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/LT.

IMMEDIATE 240810

Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BT~~SUBJ:~~ PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 237 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 221800H-222400H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

1/3/9 PLT YD 089410

ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED &amp; DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

## 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

## 5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN &amp; DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS. D-14, F-11, J-2, AA-8, CC-5, EB-5

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 23 WIANE 8

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 5 DETAINEES: TOTAL 3 (VC) 1 INN CIV 177

C. IWC 69 CSWC 1

## 7. SCOUT SNIPERS REPORT:

UNIT	HR TMS	HR TMS EMPL	COORD	RESULTS
1/9	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	YD 114335	N/A
2/9	1	1	VCS	N/A
3/9	2	2	YD 273323	N/A
HQCO	3	3	YD 114335	N/A

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TOR: 240825Z DEC 68/VIA COURIER TT/CCN: 1154/WRS/DIG 240816Z

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**UNCLASSIFIED**

DRAFTER: G.L. WIESCAMP  
**IMMEDIATE** RELEASED BY: G.L. WIESCAMP 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 240812 Z DEC 68

FROM: HILL 11 MAR  
 TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
 BT

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~: PERI-HABILE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
 SITREP NR 238 OP DAVSON RIVER AFTON FROM 222400H-230600H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
  - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED & DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS:
  - A. CONTINUE LIFT OF 3/9 & 1/9 & CP.
  - B. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
  - A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 23 VIANE 8
  - B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 53 DETAINES: TOTAL 3 (VC) 1 INN CIV 177
  - C. INC 69 GSWC 11

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 TEL: 240815Z DEC 68/VIA COURIER TT/CON: 1153/HRS/OTG/ 240812Z

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IMMEDIATE

DRAFTED 240814Z

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DRAFTER: 3W/GAM: rjk

RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/LT.

IMMEDIATE 240814

Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TH HOTEL  
BT~~SUMMARY~~: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 239 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 230600H-231200H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
  - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS:
  - A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
  - A. FRIENDLY: KIA 2 WIAE 23 WIANE 8
  - B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 53 DETAINEES: TOTAL: 3 (VC) 1 INN CIV 177
  - C. IWC 62 CSWC 4

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TOR: 240817Z DEC 68/VIA COURIER TT/CON: 1159/HRS/DTG 240814Z

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## DECLASSIFIED

~~IMMEDIATE 240821Z DEC 68~~

Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BTPERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 240 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 231200H-231800H DEC 681162  
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## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

CP/1/9 YD 144335	CP/E/P/G-/2/9 VCB	I/3/9 FSB HENDERSON
A(-)/1/9 YD 198275	E/2/9 PLT SIGNAL HILL	K/3/9 PLT 273323
B(-)/1/9 YD 167315	E/2/9 PLT HILL 950	L/3/9 VCB
B/1/9 PLT YD 144335	G-/2/9 CA LU	SPARROW HAWK
C/1/9 YD 198296	H-/2/9 CATES	M-/3/9 OPCON TF
K/3/9 PLT YD 197324	H/2/9 PLT HILL 691	HOTEL B

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

- A. M/3/9 CHOPPED OPCON TO T.F. HOTEL AT 221800H, WHO CHOPPED THEM TO OPCON 3d MAR DIV SAIE DTG.
- B. ALL OTHER UNITS MAINTAINED & DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

## 3. ENEMY CONTACTS:

- A. PARA 1D<sup>1</sup> UNDER OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS.
- B. FINAL ON LINE A ABOVE: PATROL RAN INTO 2 MAN OP OF LARGER UNIT. FOUND AREA POSSIBLY CP OF BATTALION-SIZE. IN ADDITION TO ABOVE GEAR FOUND, MISC MEDICAL GEAR, CLOTHING, 8 ADDITIONAL PACKS, WRIST WATCH, COMPASS, 3 SUN HELMETS, FIELD COMMANDERS CASE WITH DOCUMENTS.

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- A. LATE ENTRY: AT 221500H, DEC 68 VIC YD 166315 B/1/9 FOUND 40 122MM ROCKET CONTAINERS (EMPTY), 4 EMPTY 12.7 AMMO BOXES, 6 FUSE BOXES, TWO BUNKERS WITH WOOD FRAMES. DESTROYED BUNKERS.
- B. AT 1250H-1300H 3/9 AT VCB REC'D APPROX 10-15 INCOMING RDS OF ARTY RESULTING IN 4 WIA. ADD 4 WIA.
- C. AT 1300H, VIC VCB 2/9 REC'D 10-15 SUSPECTED ROCKETS. RESULTING IN 11 WIA AND 1 KIA. ADD 11 WIA & 1 KIA.
- D. AT 1410H, VIC YD 201201 A/1/9 FIRL MET 10-12 ENEMY AT CLOSE RANGE. BOTH SIDES EXCHANGED S/A FIRE. A/1/9 PULLED BACK CALLED IN ARTY ON AREA & CHECKED AND FOUND A CAMP SITE AT YD 213284, WITH 200 LBS OF RICE WITH WARM RICE IN A PAN, MISC 782 GEAR, 4 LVA PACKS, BOOKS, 1 CIV RADIO. NEG RESULTS.

## 5. PLANS:

- A. CONTINUE LOCAL SECURITY & PREPARATION TO HELILIFT BP 9TH MAR TO VCB.
- B. ALL OTHER UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS. D-13, E-3, F-9, G-3, H-16

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

- A. FRIENDLY: KIA 3 WIAE 11 WIAME 8
- B. ENEMY: KIA(0) 5 DETAINERS TOTAL: 3(VC) 1 INN CIV 17
- C. IWC 62 CSWCK

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TER, 240821Z DEC 68/VIA COURER TT/CON, 1162/MRS/DTG 240816Z

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11/10/68?

DRAFTER: JW/GIN:jk

RELEASED BY: G.L. WIESCAMP 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 240818

Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MA R

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BT~~ALL PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE~~  
SITREP N R 24.1 OF DAWSON RIVER FROM 231800H-232400H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 1630H, CA LU, 9 MONTAGUARDS (1 WOMAN, 1 BOY, 14 YRS OLD, &amp; 7 CHILDREN) APPROACHED CA LU FROM WEST. G/2/9 WILL HOLD FOR TRANSPORT TO CAM LO ON 24TH. INFO WILL BE FORWARDED TO BP-2 ON 24TH.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 3 WIA 41 WIAME 6

B. ENEMY: KIA(C) 5 DETAINES: TOTAL 12(VC) 1 INN CIV 172

C. INC 69 CSWC 0

7. SCOUT SIGHTERS REPORT:

UNIT	DE TS	IN TS	COORD	RESULTS:
1/9	2	2	YD 144335	N/A
2/9	1	1	VCS	N/A
3/9	2	2	VCB	N/A
HQCO	3	3	YD 144335	N/A

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BT TOR, 240822Z DEC 68/VIA COURIER TT/CON: 1161 /MRS/BIN 246910Z

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IMMEDIATE

100-210823Z

DRAFTER: J W/GAM: rjk

RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/LT.

G.A. Miller 2 LT

IMMEDIATE 240820 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BTPERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 242 OP DAWSON RIVER A FTOM FROM 232400H-240600H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
  - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS:
  - A. ALL UNITS WILL BE PREPARED TO LIFT TO VCB.
  - B. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN & DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
  - A. FRIENDLY: KIA 3 WIAE 41 WIANE 8
  - B. ENEMY: KIA(0) 53 DETAINES: TOTAL 12 (VC) 1 INN CIV 177
  - C. IWC 62 CSWC 1

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Ter, 240835Z DEC 68/VIA COURIER TT/CON: 1168/HRS/BTG 240820Z

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**UNCLASSIFIED***G.Winscamp*

DRAFTER: 3W/GLW:jef RELEASED BY: G.L. WINSAMP 1/E.

IMMEDIATE 250235Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR ADV ROUTE TO G-3 HAS BEEN SENT  
 TO: CG, TF HOTEL I ~~BT~~ EDIA ~~BT~~  
 BT ~~CONFIDENTIAL PERISHABLE INFO PASS WITHOUT SERVICE~~  
 SITREP 243 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 230600H-231800H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
  - A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS:
  - A. LIFT 1/9 & 3/9 UNITS AS WEATHER PERMITS.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:
  - A. FRIENDLY: KIA 3 WIAE 41 WIANE 8
  - B. ENEMY: KIA 53
  - C. IWC 69 CSWC 4

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BT 10K/250240Z/MDP/PHM DTC/250235Z

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A.P.Koszarsky 1ST LT.

DRAFTER: 3W/APK:jef RELEASED BY: AP KOSZARSKY 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 250237Z DEC 68 IMMEDIATE  
FROM: NINTH MAR ADV R T G 3

TO: CG, TF HOTEL AS SEEN SENT

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SI TREP 244 OP DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 241200-241800H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

1/9 CP LZ DICK	E PLT HILL 950	I/3/9 FSB HENDERSON
A(-) 1/9 VCB	E PLT HILL 304	K VCB
A PLT 1/9 LZ GOLD	F/2/9 XD 952431	L VCB
B(-) 1/9 VCB	G(-) 2/9 CA LU	
B PLT 1/9 FSB DICK	G PLT VCB	
C/1/9 VCB	H/2/9 FSB CATES	
2/9 CP VCB	H PLT HILL 691	
E(-) 2/9 VCB	CP/3/9 VCB	

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

- A. K PLT COMMENCED LIFT 1145H, COMPLETED 1630H.
- B. 9TH MAR CP ESTABLISHED AT VCB 1330H.
- C. C CO COMMENCED LIFT 1630H, COMPLETED 1700.
- D. B(-) COMMENCED LIFT 1700H, COMPLETED 1800.
- E. A(-) COMMENCED LIFT 1800, COMPLETED 1850.

## 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 231130H, VCB ROCKETS WHICH HIT VCB SEEMED TO COME FROM GRID 9252. MAN ALSO SAW UNIDENTIFIED ROUNDS HIT AT XD 979498. POSSIBLE SHORT RKT RDS.

B. SITREP 241 PARA 4 LINE A FINAL REPORT CONCERNING WOMEN TAKEN AWAY WHICH APPROACHED CA LU. CHARGE COUNT TO 10 (3 MEN, 2 WOMEN AND 5 CHILDREN) CLAIMED TO HAVE COM FROM VILLAGE OF LANG HUE COC GIANG (XD 915345) AND WERE DIRECTED TO CA LU BY BILLAGE CHIEF OF LANG KAT (XD 904394). DISCLAIMED ANY KNOWLEDGE OF NVA OR VC OPERATING IN AREA. TRANSPORTED TO C HI LO BY CONVOY.

## 5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE ENJOYING A MERRY XMAS.

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

- A. FRIENDLY: KIA 4 WIAE 41 VIANE 8
- B. DETAINEES: TOTAL 12 RTWEE (VC) IN NCIV 177
- C. IVC 69 CSWC 1
- D. EN KIA(C) 53

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DTG/250237Z

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## IMMEDIATE

DRAFTER: BW/GAW or jk

RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/TM  
*Jameller or*IMMEDIATE 250223Z 2 DEC 68

FROM: HINH MAR ADV ROUTE TO 6-3

TO: CG, TP HUE HAS BEEN SENT  
BT~~ALL PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE~~  
SITREP HR 24<sup>0</sup> OF DAVSON RIVER AREA FROM 242400H-250600H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS:

A. WILL COMPLETE LINES OF A(-), B PLT/R/9 AND I/3/3.

B. ALL OTHER UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

A. FRIENDLY KIA 4, WIA 4, WANE 8

B. ENEMY: KIA (C) 5, WIA 1, TOTAL 12 (VC) 1, BN CIV 1, T?

C. IWC 69 CBUC 4

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BT TOR/250223Z/MOP/RHM

DTE/250223Z

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DRAFTER: 3W/GAH:rjk

RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/LT.

Annville 2 LT

IMMEDIATE 251135 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BT

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~~SUMMARY:~~ PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 246 OF DAWSON RIVER AFTON FROM 250600H-251200H DEC 681. UNIT LOCATIONS:

A/1/9 VCB

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

- A. A/1/9 LIFT COMMENCED AT 1010H TO VCB. COMPLETED AT 1050H.
- B. LIFT FROM FSB DICK COMMENCING WITH BATTERY AT 1045H.
- C. ALL OTHER UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- A. AT 0930H, A PTRE FROM I/3/9 VIC YD 074415 FOUND ONE WOODEN HUT 7x5x4 FT MADE WITH 2x4 INCH & 1x6 INCH. ALSO FOUND IN AREA WAS ONE HOLE 7x5x4 FT & 1/4 AXE HEADS & A LANTERN. AREA APPEARED TO BE A YEAR OLD. DESTROYED HOLE & BUNKER. RETURNED WITH GEAR.

- B. AT 1115H, VIC YD 089410 A PTRE FROM I/3/9 FOUND A MINE IN A TOMATO CAN WITHOUT A FUSE ASSEMBLY. CHECKED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS & RETAINED MINE.

5. PLANS:

- A. ALL SCHEDULED LIFTS TO BE COMPLETED.
- B. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES:

- A. FRIENDLY: KIA 1 WIAD 1 WIANE 8
- B. ENEMY: KIA(c) 53 DETAINES: TOTAL 12 (VC) 1 INN CIV 177
- C. IWC 69 CSWC 11

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## IMMEDIATE

DRAFTER: 3W/GAM:jer RELEASED BY: G.A. HILLER 2/LT.

IMMEDIATE 251137 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL

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CONFIDENTIAL: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP 1 OP DAWSON RIVER FROM 251200H-251800H DEC 681. UNIT LOCATIONS:

B/1/9 VCB I/3/9 VCB ALL OTHERS NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. EFF 251600H DEC 68 DAWSON RIVER AFTON IS TERMINATED.

B. B/1/9 &amp; E/2/12 LIFT COMPLETED AT 1440H.

C. D BTRY & I CO AT HENDERSON COMM LIFT TO VCB. AT 1500H  
COMPLETED AT 1805H.D. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED & DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING  
NIGHT ACTS.3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:A. AT 1300H, VIC XD 052610 I/3/9 FOUND 1 STRUCTURE 13x7x14'.  
AREA APPROX 2 MOS OLD. DEST STRUCTURE.5. PLANS:A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF POS WHILE CONDUCTING  
NIGHT ACTS.6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NONE

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*G.L. Wiescamp*

DRAFTER: 3W/GLW:jef RELEASED BY: G.L. WIESCAMP 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 260030 Z DEC 68FROM: NINTH MAR A/R G-3  
TO: CG, TF HOTEL HAS BEEN SENTSITREP: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP 2 OP DAWSON RIVER FROM 251800H TO 252400H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

CP, A, B, C/1/9 VCB CP/2/9 VCB  
 CP, I, K, L/3/9 VCB E/2/9 VCB, PLAT 950, PLAT SIG HILL  
 F/2/9 CA LU, PLAT XD 977435  
 G/2/9 CALU  
 E/2/9 CATES, PLAT 691

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. 1/3/9 CHIPPED FROM 2/9 TO 3/9 251835H.

## 3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

## 5. PLANS:

D-4, J-9, AA-3, CC-4

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NONE

## 7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:

UNIT	NR TMS	NR TMS	EMPL	COORDS	RESULTS
1/9	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>		0	VCB	NEG
2/9	1		1	"	"
3/9	2		0	"	"
HQCO	3		0	"	"

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TDR: VIA COURIER 260046Z/DEC68/PMM/CCN:645 DTG: 260030Z

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DRAFTER: 3W/GLW sr jk

RELEASED BY: G.L. WIESCAMP 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 260032 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

A/R G-3  
HAS BEEN SENTTO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BTCONFIDENTIAL: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 3 OP DAVSON RIVER FROM 252400H-260600H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
  - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.
  - B. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
  - C. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
3. PLANS:
  - A. 3/9 TO GO TO CUA VIET ON RECREATIONAL TRIP.
  - B. 0700H, 1/9 RELIEVES 3/9 OF SPARROW HAWK/BOLD EAGLE RESPONSIBILITY.
  - C. ALL OTHER UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.
4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NONE
  - A. FRIENDLY: KIA 0

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TOR: V IA COURIER 260452Z/DEC68/PHM/CON: 640 DTG: 260032Z

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DRAFTER: 3W/APK:rjk

RELEASED BY: A.P. KOSZARSKY 1/LT.

A. P. Koszarsky 1<sup>ST</sup> LT

IMMEDIATE 261150 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

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TO: CG, TF HOTEL

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CONFIDENTIAL: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE

SITREP NR 4, OP DAWSON RIVER FROM 260600H-261200H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

3/9(-) CUA VIET

ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. AT 0945H, 3/9 COMMENCED THEIR MOVE TO CUA VIET FOR A  
2 DAY REHAB PERIOD.

B. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING  
DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING  
DAY ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NONE

A. FRIENDLY: KIA 0

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TOD: 261220Z/VIA COURIER/AGB/RDD/SCC CCN-655 DTG: 261150Z DEC68

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*G.L. Wiescamp*

DRAFTER: 3W/CLV ex jk

RELEASED BY: G.L. WIESCAMP 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 261152 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

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TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BTCENSORED: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 5 OP DAWSON RIVER FROM 261200H-261800H DEC 681. UNIT LOCATIONS:

CP/A/1/9 VCB	CP/E(-)/2/9 VCB	CP/I/K/L/3/9 CUA VIET
B/1/9 XD 970478	E/2/9 HILL 950	M/3/9 OPCON 3D MAR DIV
C/1/9 ON MOVE TO VIC YD Q12437		
D/1/9 ROCKPILE	E/2/9 PLT SIGNAL HILL	
F/2/9 CA LU	H(-)/2/9 FSB CATES	
G/2/9 VCB	H/2/9 PLT HILL 691	

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

- A. AT 0945H, TF HOTEL ASSUMED OPCON OF 3/9(-) AND PASSED OPCON TO TF BRAVO FOR 2 DAY REHAB PERIOD AT CUA VIET.
- B. AT 1300H, 1/9 ASSUMED OPCON OF G/2/9.
- C. ALL OTHER UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE5. PLANS:

- A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NONE

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*G.L. Wiescamp*

DRAFTER: JW/GLW/sjk RELEASED BY: G.L. WIESCAMP 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 270150 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR HAS BEEN SENT  
 TO: CG, TF HOTEL ADV. T G-3  
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~~CONFIDENTIAL~~: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
 SITREP NR 6 OP DAWSON RIVER FROM 261800H-262400H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE.2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NONE7. SCOUT SNIPERS REPORT:

UNIT	NR TMS	NR TMS	EMPL	COORD	RESULTS
1/9	2 $\frac{1}{2}$		2 $\frac{1}{2}$		N/A
2/9	1		1	VGB	N/A
3/9	2		2		N/A
HQCO	3		3		N/A

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TOD: VIA 1T/270300Z/UECCO/CON=607/ERB/UTG:270150Z/

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DRAFTED : 3W/APK/som

RELEASED BY: A.P. KOSZANSKY 1/LT.

A.P. Koszansky 1<sup>st</sup>IMMEDIATE 270152 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

HAS BEEN SENT  
A/R G-3

TO: CG, TF HOTEL

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CONFIDENTIAL: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
STRIP NR 7 OP DAWSON RIVER FROM 262400H-270600H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

C(-)1/9 019457

ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

## 3. ENEMY CONTACT: NONE

## 4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

## 5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

## 6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NONE

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DRAFTER: 3W/GLN SR JK

RELEASED BY: G.L. WIESCAMP 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 271130 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR.

TO CG, TF HOTEL

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CONFIDENTIAL: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 8 OP DAWSON RIVER FROM 270600H-271200H DEC 68**IMMEDIATE**1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

B/1/9 YD 032047

ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 1130H, C/1/9 VIC YD 025450, A PTPL WHILE CROSSING QUANG TRI RIVER HAD ONE MAN PULLED UNDER BY RAPID WATER. MAN BEHIND TRIED TO GRAB HIM BUT WAS UNABLE TO BECAUSE OF THE SLIPPERY ROCKS ON BOTTOM. THE LA CALLED IN AN AO AND HUE'S TO SEARCH FOR THIS MAN &amp; BODY WAS SPOTTED BUT BEFORE RECOVERY COULD BE MADE BODY DISLODGED &amp; WENT INTO DEEPER WATER. ATTEMPTS ARE STILL BEING MADE TO FIND BODY. SO FAR NO RESULTS.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NONE

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BT TOR: 271320Z/CUR/MF/RDD/CON; 1284 DTG: 271130Z DEC 68

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IMMEDIATE

DRAFTED BY A.P. KOSZARSKY

REINFORCED BY A.P. KOSZARSKY 1/LT

A.P. Koszarsky / SGT

IMMEDIATE

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Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH AIR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BTSUBJ: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 9 OF DANSON RIVER FROM 271200H-271300H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

G/1/9 C/2/9 VCB E/2/9 FSB GATES  
 B/1/9 XD 963143 E/2/9 PLT XD 926443  
 G/1/9 PLT XD 02043 E/2/9 PLT XD 814453  
 C/P/E-PLT/P-PLT/2/9 VCB E/2/9 PLT XD 978480  
 F-1/2/9 C1 LT

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. G/2/9 CHANGED UPGRADE TO 3/4, EFFECTIVE 271500H.

B. ALL OTHER UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

## 5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE WIL LOSSES: NONE

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TEN: 271300Z/271400Z/HF/REG/CCN: 1286 DTG: 271132Z DEC 68

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DRAFTED: 3W/APK:sem

RELEASED BY: A.P. KOSZARSKY 1/LT.

A.P. Koszarsky 1LT.

IMMEDIATE 280100

Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR  
TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BTHAS BEEN SENT  
A/R G-3CONFIDENTIAL: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP IR 10 OP DAWSON RIVE FROM 271800H-272400H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
  2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
    - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND D-F'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS. D-10, J-2, AA-6
  3. ENEMY CONTACT: NONE
  4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
  5. PLANS:
    - A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND D-F'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.
  6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NONE
  7. SCOUT SNIPERS REPORT:
- | UNIT | NR TMS | NR TMS EMPL | COORD | RESULTS |
|------|--------|-------------|-------|---------|
| 1/9  | 2½     | 2½          | VCB   | N/A     |
| 2/9  | 1      | 1           | VCB   | N/A     |
| 3/9  | 2      | 2           | -     | N/A     |
| HQCO | 3      | 3           | -     | N/A     |

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DRAFTER: 3W/GIN: rjk

RELEASED BY: G.L. WIESCAMP 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 280102

Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR HAS BEEN SENT  
A/R 6-3

TO: CG, TF HOTEL

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L:PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
S:REP NR 11 OP DAWSON RIVER FROM 272400H-280600H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS:

A. 3/9 TO RETURN TO VCB AND ASSUME SPARROW HAWK/BALD EAGLE RESPONSIBILITY.

B. 1/9 WILL GO TO CUA VIET FOR REHAB.

C. ALL OTHER UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NONE

GP-4 TUD; VIA TT/280130Z/DEC68/CCN-1318/ERB/DTG:2801021

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DRAFTER: 3W/APK3P JK

RELEASED BY: A.P. KOSZARSKY 1/LT.

a. P. Koszarsky 1<sup>st</sup> LT

IMMEDIATE 280638 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR.

HAS BEEN SENT

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
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ADVANCED ROUTED TO XXXX.G-3

~~SUMMARY~~: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 12 OP DAWSON RIVER FROM 280600H-281200H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

C 1/11 YD 118431

ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

- A. AT 1000H, 1/9 COMMENCED THEIR MOVEMENT TO CUA VIET FOR 2 DAY REHAB PERIOD AND CHOPPED TO TF HOTEL SAME DTG.  
B. AT 1130H, 9TH MAR ASSUMED OPCON OF DIV SPARROW HAWK FROM C/1/11.

C. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NONE

GP-4 TOD; VIA TT/280650Z/DEC 68/CON-1326/ERB/280638Z/

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DRAFTER: 3W/GAM: jef

RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/LT.

g.miller 2LT

IMMEDIATE 181226 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

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TO: CG, TF HOTEL

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP 13 OP DAWSON RIVER FROM 281200H - 281800H DEC 681. UNIT LOCATIONS:

3/9 VCB	CP/2/9 VCB	F/2/9 VCB
K/3/9 CA LU	H/2/9 PLT FSB CATES	E/2/9 PLT HILL 950
C/1/11 YD 118431	H/2/9 PLT HILL 691	E/2/9 PLT SIGNAL HILL
E/2/9 PLT VCB	H/2/9 PLT FSB HENDERSON	

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. AT 1100H, 3/9 WAS CHOPPED BACK TO 9TH MAR AND RETURNED  
TO VCB AT 1515H.

B. CORRECTION TO SITREP NR 12 PARA 2A DTG SHOULD READ 1400H.  
C. AT 1600H, K/3/9 CHOPPED TO 2/9.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

A. AT 1030H, 2/9 FD BODY OF DROWN MAR (REF SITREP 8 PARA  
1A). BODY WAS MEDIVACED.

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF POS WHILE CONDUCTING  
NIGHT ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NONE

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TOR: 201500Z FT/J8/HOO/CNN: 1350 DTG: 201226Z DEC 68

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**UNCLASSIFIED**A. A. Miller 2/LT.  
DRAFTER: 3W/GAM: jef RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/LT.IMMEDIATE 281640

Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BT[REDACTED]: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP 14 OP DAWSON RIVER FROM 281800H - 282400H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
  - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED & DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS:
  - A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN & DEF POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NONE

## 7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT:

UNIT	HR TMS	HR TMS	EMPL	COORDS	RESULTS
1/9	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>		0		NEG
2/9	1		1	VCB	NEG
3/9	2		0		NEG
HQ 9TH	3		0		NEG

GP-4 TOR: 281640Z/COUR/JS/KOD/CON: 1339 DTG: 281640Z DEC 68

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*A.P. Koszarsky 1ST LT.*

DRAFTER: 3W/APK:jk

RELEASED BY: A.P. KOSZARSKY 1/LT

IMMEDIATE 29000Z Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL

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SITREP NR 15 OP DAWSON RIVER FROM 282400H-290600H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
  - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS:
  - A. 2/9 WILL ASSUME DEFENSE OF CA LU.
  - B. 3/9 WILL RECEIVE 2/9 AT 950, CATES, 691, SIGNAL HILL, & FSB HENDERSON.
  - C. L/3/9 CONDUCT A LIFT TO FSB HOLCOMB VIC YD 117432.
  - D. M/3/9 WILL CONDUCT AN ASSAULT TO HILL 660 VIC YD 096444.
  - E. 3/9 WILL ASSUME SPARROW HAWK RESPONSIBILITY.
  - F. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NONE

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TOR: 2y0100Z/VIA COURIER/RWF/PHM/CON: 1363 DTG: 2y0006Z DEC 68

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REF ID: A6478

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DRAFTER: 3W/GAM: PJK

RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/LT.

G. A. Miller 2 LT

IMMEDIATE 290530 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BTCENSORED: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 16 OP DAWSON RIVER FROM 290600H-291200H DEC 68

## 1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

CP/3/9 YD 118432

L/3/9 YD 118432

ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE.

## 2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. AT 1015H, L/3/9 COMMENCED LIFT TO FSP HOLCOMB, COMPLETED AT 1120H.

B. ALL OTHER UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

## 5. PLANS:

A. CONTINUE SCHEDULED LIFTS FOR 2/9 AND 3/9.

B. ALL OTHER UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NONE

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TeR: 290535Z/VIA COURIER/RWF/PNM/CON; 1376  
DTG: 290530Z DEC 68

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*G.Wiescamp*

DRAFTER: 3W/GLW:Jef RELEASED BY: G.L. WIESCAMP 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 291210 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL HAS BEEN SENT  
BT~~SOMEONE~~: PERISHABLE INFO PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP 17 OP DAWSON RIVER FROM 291200H-291800H DEC 681. UNIT LOCATIONS:

CP, E, G, H/2/9 VCB	I/3/9 PLAT SIG HILL L/3/9 HOLCOMB
F(-)/2/9 CA LU	K/3/9 CATES M/3/9 HILL 660
CP/3/9 YD 118432	K/3/9 PLAT HILL 950
I/3/9 PLAT FSB HENDERSON	K/3/9 PLAT HILL 691

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. M/3/9 ASSAULT TO 660 VIC YD 096444 COMM AT 1205H & WAS COMPL AT 1245H.

B. C/1/11 LIFTED FROM HOLCOMB TO LZ NANCY & CHOPPED BACK TO TFH SAME DTG 1315H.

C. I/3/9 PLAT LIFT TO FSB HENDERSON COMM AT 1330H & COMPL AT 1400H. PLAT FROM H/2/9 RETURNED TO VCB.

D. I/3/9 PLAT ASSUMED SPARROW HAWK RESPONSIBILITY.

E. K/3/9 PLAT LIFT TO 950 COMM AT 1315H & WAS COMPL AT 1340H. H/2/9 PLAT ON 950 RTRND TO VCB.

F. K/3/9 PLAT LIFT TO 691 COMM AT 1345H & WAS COMPL AT 1420H. H/2/9 PLAT RTRND TO VCB.

G. I/3/9 PLAT LIFT TO SIG HILL COMM & COMPL AT 1440H. E/2/9 RTRND TO VCB.

H. K/3/9 PLAT LIFT TO CATES COMM AT 1330H COMPL AT 1430H. H/2/9 PLAT RTRND TO VCB.

I. AT 1545H, H/2/9 ASSUMED SPARROW HAWK/BALD EAGLE RESPON.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NONE7. SNIPER REPORT: NO CHANGE

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DRAFTER: 3W/GLW:jef RELEASED BY: G.L. WIESCAMP 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 291640 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

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TO: CG, TF HOTEL HAS BEEN SENT  
BT A/R TO G-3

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 18 OF DAWSON RIVER FROM 291800H-292100H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:  
G/2/9 FROM VCB TO TSL ALL OTHERS NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:  
A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS:  
A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NONE

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BT FOD: VIA TT/300048Z/DEC68/CON-1398/ERB/BTG:291640Z/

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DRAFTER: 3W/APK:sem

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RELEASED BY: A.P.K. KOSZAKAY 1/LTIMMEDIATE 300140 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINH MA R

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TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BT~~CONTENTS:~~ PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 19 OP DAWSON RIVE : FROM 292400H-30 0600H DEC 68

1. LOCATION OF UNITS: NO CHANGE

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING  
DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS:

A. 1/9 WILL RETURN TO VCB NM CUA VIET AND 2/9 WILL COMMENCE  
MOVEMENT TO CUA VIET.B. ALL OTHER UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING  
DAY ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NONE

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TMR: 300200Z/VIA COURIER/ACB/RDD/CON-1419 DTG: 300140Z DEC68

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DRAFTER: JW/GAM:jef RELEASED BY: GA MILLER 2/LT.

IMMEDIATE 300618 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR ADV ROUTED TO G-3

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
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SITREP 20 OP DAWSON RIVER FROM 300600H~301200H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

E/1/9 ROCKPILE 2/9 R&R CUA VIET M/3/9 YD 113454  
C/1/9 VCB

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. AT 0930H, 2/9 COMM CONVOY TO CUA VIET. B, C/1/9 RTRND  
TO TSL & VCB RESPECTFULLY.  
B. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED & DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY  
ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF POS WHILE CONDUCTING  
DAY ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NONE

GP-4 TOR, 300648Z/CUR/HFF/RBL/CON: 1428 DTG: 300618Z DEC68

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DRAFTER: 3W/APK:jef

RELEASED BY: A.P. KOSZARSKY 1/LT.

a.p. Koszarsky 1S165

IMMEDIATE 301245 Z DEC 68FROM: NINTH MAR HAS BEEN SENT  
A/E TO G-3TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BTCENSORED: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP NR 21 OP DAWSON RIVER FROM 301200H-301800H DEC 681. UNIT LOCATIONS:

CP, C, D/1/9 VCB      2/9 CUA VIET      I/3/9 PLAT SIG HILL  
 A/1/9 CA LU      L, 07/3/9 FSB HOLCOMB      K/3/9 CATES  
 B/1/9 (OPCON) TSL      I/3/9 FSB HENDERSON      M/3/9 YD 10446

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

- A. 1 PLAT LIFT TO CATES COMM 1000H COMPL AT 1125H.
- B. 2/9 ARRIVED AT CUA VIET AT 1315H.
- C. 1/9 COMPL MOVE TO VCB & CA LU & ASSUMED SPARROW HAWK/BALD EAGLE RESPONSIBILITY.
- D. B/1/9 CHOPPED TO 4TH MAR AT TSL AT 1055H.
- E. 2/9 CHOPPED OPCON TO TF HOTEL AND TO 3D MAR DIV AT 0930H.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- A. AT 1130H, I/3/9 PATROL VIC YD 081415 FOUND 5 HOOCHES MADE WITH PALM LEAVES APPROX 15x16x10', 1 STRUCTURE APPEARED TO BE A MESS HALL CONTAINING 2 TABLES. AREA APPEARED TO BE 6 MO OLD. DEST'D HOOCHES.

5. PLANS:

- A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN & DEF POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NONE7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT: NO CHANGE**UNCLASSIFIED**

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BT      TOD: VIA TT/301255Z/DEC68/CCCN-14402/EEB/BTG:301245Z/

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DRAFTER: 3W/APK:jef

RELEASED BY: A.PL KOSZARSKY 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 310105

Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

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TO: CG, TF HOTEL

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~~REASON:~~ PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP 22 OF DAUSTR RIVER FROM 301300H-301400H DEC 681. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

B. D-6, CC-5, AA-1, EE-3.

3. ENEMY CONTACT: NONE4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE5. PLANS:

A. ALL UNITS WILL CONTINUE TO DEF POS AND CONDUCT NIGHT ACTS.

B. D-6, EE-3, AA-1, CC-5.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NONEGP-4ER: 310125Z/COUR/JS/RDW/CCN: 1466 DTG: 310105Z DEC 68  
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DRAFTER: BN/GAM: jef  
H.A. Miller 2LT  
RELEASED BY: G.A. MILLER 2/LT.

IMMEDIATE 310107 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BT

//A/R/TG G-3//

: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SI TREF 23 OP DAWSON RIVER FROM 302400H-310600H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
  - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.
  - B. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
  - C. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
  - D. PLANS:
    - A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.
3. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NONE

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TOR: 310130Z/COUR/JS/RDU/GON: 1467 BT 310107Z DEC 68

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REF ID: A8WAPK:jef

RELEASED BY: A.P KOSZARSKY 1/LT.

*A. P. Koszarsky 1ST CT*IMMEDIATE 310540Z

Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR

TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
BTC [REDACTED] PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE -  
SITREP 24 OP DAWSON RIVER FROM 310600H-311200H DEC 681. UNIT LOCATIONS:

CP, D, C/1/9 VCB	I PLT SIG HILL
A/1/9 CA LU	N, L/3/9 VCB-
A/1/9 PLAT VCB	K PLT HILL 692
CP/3/9, K PLT, I PLT FSB GATES	K PLT HILL 950
	I PLT FSB HENDERSON

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

A. L/3/9 WAS LIFTED TO VCB STARTING AT 0800H AND COMPLETED AT 1030H.

B. M/3/9 WAS LIFTED TO VCB STARTING AT 0820H AND COMPLETED AT 0855H.

C. LIFT OF CP/3/9 TO FSB GATES STARTED AT 0915H AND COMPLETED AT 0930H.

D. M&L/3/9 WAS CHOPPED TO 1/9 AT VCB AT 1030H.

E. ALL OTHER UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS:

A. I PLT WILL BE LIFTED FM FSB HENDERSON TO FSB GATES.

B. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF P.S WHILE CONDUCTING DAY ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NONE

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TOR: 310535Z/CURR/JS/RDD/CCN: 1477 DTG: 310540Z DEC 68

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DRAFTER: 3W/GLW:jef      RELEASED BY: G.L. WIESCAMP 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 30/1826      Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MAR      HAS BEEN SENT  
 A/R G-3      #064  
 TO: CG, TF HOTEL  
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: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
 SITREP 25 OP DAWSON RIVER FROM 311200H-311800H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS:

CP, A PLT, C, D/1/9 VCB	I plt XD 978480	K PLT XD 923443
A/1/9 CA LU	CP, I/3/9 XD 926437	K PLT XD 844455
M, L/3/9 VCB	K PLT XD 924437	I PLT FSB HENDERSON

2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:

- A. LZ CONSTRUCTED AT YD 147463 NAMED LZ NOVEL. 1 GM 46 CAP.
- B. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING

DAY ACTS.

3. MUNNY CONTACTS: NONE

4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE

5. PLANS:

- A. ALL OTHER UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.

6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NONE

7. SCOUT SNIPER REPORT: NO CHANGE

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DR: VIA COURIER 311830Z

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DRAFTER: 3W/GLW:jef RELEASED BY: G.L. WIESCAMP 1/LT.

IMMEDIATE 311830 Z DEC 68FROM: NINTH MAR HAS BEEN PRESENT  
TO: CG, TF HOTEL A/R G25[REDACTED]: PERISHABLE INFO/PASS WITHOUT SERVICE  
SITREP 26 OP DAWSON RIVER FROM 312000H-312400H DEC 68

1. UNIT LOCATIONS: NO CHANGE
2. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS:
  - A. ALL UNITS MAINTAINED AND DEF'D POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.
3. ENEMY CONTACTS: NONE
4. OTHER SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: NONE
5. PLANS:
  - A. ALL UNITS WILL MAINTAIN AND DEF POS WHILE CONDUCTING NIGHT ACTS.
6. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: NONE

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TAB C (INTSUMs)

1. DAWSON RIVER AFTON, #38-61, 1-25 Dec 1968
2. DAWSON RIVER, #1-6, 25-31 Dec 1968

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SECTION: S-2 9TH MARINES

DRAFTER: P. W. LEACH

RELEASER: L. L. UCHO

IMMEDIATE 640330 2 DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES  
 TO: CG TASK FORCE HOTEL  
 CG THIRD MARDIV  
 FIRST BN NINTH MAR  
 SECOND BN NINTH MAR  
 THIRD BN NINTH MAR

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1. 9TH MAR INTSUM # 38 OPN DAWSON RIVER AFTON
2. 011800H - 021600H DEC 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES

## A. GROUNDED ACTIVITIES

- (1) 011030H, D/1/9 VIC (YD 104236) FOUND A TRAIL BIG ENOUGH FOR ONE PERSON, RUNNING EAST TO WEST. NO SIGNS OF RECENT USE. CHECKED TRAIL 75 METERS DOWN FINGER W/NEG RESULTS.
- (2) 011700H, D/1/9 VIC (YD 085245) SPOTTED PERSONNEL MOVEMENT ESTIMATED 2 PEOPLE. COULD NOT CONFIRM ENEMY OR BROU. REQUESTED AO.
- (3) 011720H, D/1/9 VIC (YD 106259) OBSERVED 1 ELEPHANT, ANIMAL NOT CARRYING ANYTHING. NO PERSONNEL OBSERVED IN VICINITY OF ANIMAL. AO WILL CHECK AREA IN MORNING.
- (4) 011230H, A/1/9 VIC (YD 042257) PATROL FOUND 5 NVA STRUCTURES MADE OF BAMBOO AND LEAVES WHICH CONTAINED VARIOUS COOKING UTENSILS, 2000 LBS OF RICE IN ATTICS AND BAGS. ALSO FOUND WERE VARIOUS DOCUMENTS, 1 CROSS BOW, 1 SPEAR, AND 1 SWORD. STRUCTURES AND RICE BURNED. GEAR RETURNED TO CP.
- (5) 020935H, D/1/9 VIC (YD 102244) FOUND AN ELEPHANT TRAIL. FOLLOWED STALL TRAIL OFF MAIN TRAIL TO AN AREA BIG ENOUGH TO BED DOWN 10 ELEPHANTS. REPORTED AS A DEFINITE CONVOY REST AREA. AREA HAS BEEN USED FREQUENTLY.
- (6) 012130H, B/1/9 HAD MOVEMENT IN FRONT OF POSITION, UNABLE TO DETERMINE IF HUMAN OR AIMAL. FIRED S/A AT MOVEMENT WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.
- (7) 021215H, I/1/9 (YD 103233) FOUND ANTI-PERSONNEL MINE. POSS BOUNCING BATTY TYPE MINE. ENGINEERS WILL DESTROY IN PLACE.
- (8) 021245H, K/3/9 (YD 168312) FOUND ONE BRAND NEW RADIO, AM, SIMILAR TO AN/GRC-9; ONE BRAND NEW SWITCHBOARD SIMILAR TO OUR SB-22; TWO GENERATORS, BRAND NEW; FILLED TYPE SIMILAR TO OUR GN-58; ASSORTED TOOLS, TUBES AND MANUALS ACCOMPANY GEAR. ALSO FOUND TWO RDS POSS 82MM, 3 COLORED SHELLS WHICH APPEAR TO BE FLARES. THE RED ONE HAS A DESIGNATION H-29-R-5; THE GREEN ONE HAS THE DESIGNATION 1-6/65-82; THE YELLOW ONE HAS THE DESIGNATION 4-9/65-62. ALSO FOUND TWO WIRE ANTENNAS WHICH APPEAR TO BE BETTER AND STRONGER THAT THE 292. ALL GEAR FOUND ALONG TRAIL IN SOLDERED, SEALED METAL CONTAINERS IN WOODEN CRATES. ALL GEAR TO BE FORWARDED TO DIV G-2.

- (9) 021340H, D/1/9 (YD 100234) FOUND PUNJI STAKE PIT  
AND PINEAPPLE GRENADE. DESTROYED PIT AND GRENADE.  
(10) 021353H, A/1/9 (YD 034259) FOUND TRAIL AND FRESH  
TRACKS. TRACKS MADE TODAY. CONTINUING MISSION.

4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES FOR SCOTLAND II AFTON/DANSON RIVER AFTON:

- (1) ENEMY KIA: 10  
(2) DETAINERS: 87 INNOCENT CIVILIANS  
1 CHIEU HOI  
(3) WEAPONS: 4 IWC; 1 CSWC

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O 050200Z DEC 68  
FM NINTH MAR  
TO ZEN/CG TASK FORCE HOTEL  
CG THIRD MARDIV  
FIRST BN NINTH MAR  
SECOND BN NINTH MAR  
THIRD BN NINTH MAR  
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1. 9TH MAR INTSUM 39 OPN DAWSON RIVER AFTON
2. 021800H-031800H DEC 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES

A. GROUND ACTIVITY

- (1) 031000H, A/1/9 (YD 027262) FOUND FRESH ELEPHANT TRACKS AND 10 - 15 FIGHTING HOLES ABOUT THREE MONTHS OLD. CONTINUED PATROL.
  - (2) 031200H, A/1/9 (YD 022255) FOUND TRAIL 3-4 FEET WIDE RUNNING SW. TRAIL HAD ELEPHANT TRACKS AND ONE MONTH OLD DROPPINGS. CONTINUED PATROL.
4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES FOR SCOTLAND II AFTON/DAWSON RIVER AFTON:

PAGE TWO NINTH MAR 004

- (1) ENEMY KIA: 10
- (2) DETAINES: 87 INNOCENT CIVILIANS  
I CHIEU HOI
- (3) WEAPONS: 9 8 IWC; 1 CSWC

5-15 NEGATIVE

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 0 050300Z DEC 68  
 FM NINTH MAR  
 TO ZEN/CG TASK FORCE HOTEL  
 CG THIRD MARDIV  
 FIRST BN NINTH MAR  
 SECOND BN NINTH MAR  
 THIRD BN NINTH MAR  
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TOP: 050330Z DEC 68

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~~PERISHABLE INFO, DO NOT SERVICE~~  
 1. 9TH MAR INTSUM 40 OPN DAWSON RIVER AFON  
 2. 031800H-041800H DEC 68

## 3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES:

- (1) 040650H, D/1/9 (YD 098231) RECEIVED SQUAD SIZE PROBE WITH AW FIRE, CHICOM GRENADES, 1 RPG RD, AND 1 60MM MORTAR RDS. LINES OBS 2 NVA AT (YD 101237). AT 040750H LINES HEARD DIGGING AND CHOPPING VIC OF (YD 098225). UNIT RETURNED SA FIRE, 60MM MORTAR, 81MM MORTAR AND 105MM MSNS W/UNKNOWN RESULTS. (SOR 38), (SOR 23).  
 (2) 040845H, K/3/9 (YD 109316) FOUND 1 HUT CONTAINING 7 - 82MM MORTAR RDS, 1 - 60MM MORTAR RDS, 4 RPG RDS, AND 12 - 82MM MORTAR FUZES.

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 ALL ORDNANCE DESTROYED. (SOR 7).

(3) 040950H, 1/9 ELMS (YD 095223) CLOSE AIR SUPPORT AIRCRAFT RUNNING AIR STRIKES RECEIVED SA FIRE.

(4) 041115H, K/3/9 (YD 119243) FOUND 6 BUNKERS WITH HOOTCHES ON TOP OF THE BUNKERS. FOUND 60 FRICTION BLASTING CAPS 200 ELECTRIC BLASTING CAPS, 75 FUZE LIGHTERS, ONE BAG OF POWDER, 1 82MM MORTAR RD, AND 16 82MM CHARGERS. THE BAG OF POWDER IS MARKER "CUOI CHONG HM.9".

(5) 041320 , A/1/9 (YD 027240) PATROL RECEIVED 2 RDS OF SNIPER FIRE FROM UNDETERMINED LOCATION. CHECK OF AREA WAS NEGATIVE.

(7) 041320H, A/1/9 (YD 025249) FOUND STRUCTURES AND 300-400 LBS OF RICE. DESTROYED RICE AND STRUCTURES. (SOR 54).

## 4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES FOR SCOTLAND II AFON/DAWSON RIVER AFON:

- (1) ENEMY KIA: 16  
 (2) DETAINEES: 87 1 INOCENT CIVILIANS  
 1 CHIEU HOI  
 (3) WEAPONS: 9 8 IWC: 1 CSWC  
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1. 0TH MAR INTSUM 41 OPN DAWSON RIVER AFTON
2. 041800H-051800H DEC 68

## 3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES:

- (1) LATE ENTRY: 041200H, D/1/9 (YD 096230) FOUND 40 EMPTY AK-47 RDS. ALSO TENNIS SHOE FOOTPRINTS HEADING SE. ESTIMATED 3-4 PERSONS (NVA). CHECKED AREA, CONTINUED PATROL.
- (2) LATE ENTRY: 041720H, M/3/9 (YD 194284) FOUND 20 "A"- FRAME STRUCTURES 4X4X5 FT. APPROX 2-4 MONTHS OLD, ONE NIGHT POSITION FOR 50-60 PEOPLE, DESTROYED BY INHABITANTS. POSITION DESTROYED WAS A TACTICAL POSITION, SEARCHED AREA, NEGATIVE RESULTS.

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 050830H, M/3/9 (YD 194283) FOUND THREE FIRE SITES BESIDE STREAM APPROX TEN DAYS OLD. ALSO FOUND ONE GRAVE COVERED W/ROCKS. GRAVE CONTAINED ONE DECOMPOSED BODY IN BODY BAG BURIED W/UW GEAR. MARKING ON TREE ABOVE GRAVE: (DANG K-8, 16-8-68). CONTINUED ASSIGNED MSN. FOUND ONE PENICILLIN BOTTLE AND ONE COOKING POT NEAR FIREPLACE. 1 NVA KIA (C).

(4) 051500H, I/3/9 FOUND TRAIL 6-8 FT WIDE RUNNING FROM (YD 178335- TO YD 179345). TRAIL HAD BEEN HEAVILY USED, THOUGH NOT RECENTLY. TRAIL NARROWS AT (YD 178353). CONTINUED TO SEARCH AREA.

(5) 051510H, A/1/9 (YD 024244) FOUND ONE STRUCTURE BUILT WITH GRASS STILL GREEN. BURNED OUT FIRE WITH ASHES STILL WARM. ESTIMATED ONE ENEMY HAD OCCUPIED STRUCTURE. DESTROYED BY BURNING.

4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES FOR SCOTLAND II AFTON/DAWSON RIVER AFTONS:

(1) ENEMY KIA: 10

(2) DETAINEES: 87 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

1 CHIEU HOI

(3) WEAPONS: Q-B IWC; 1 CSWC

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SECTION: S-2 9TH MARINES

DRAFTER: P. J. LEACH

RELEASER: F. S. TAFF

IMMEDIATE 081130Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES  
 TO: CG TASK FORCE HOTEL  
 CG THIRD MARDIV  
 FIRST BN NINTH MAR  
 SECOND BN NINTH MAR  
 THIRD BN NINTH MAR

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1. 9TH MAR INTSUM # 42 OPN DAWSON RIVER AFTON
2. 051800H - 061800H DEC 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY:

(1) 051805H, A/1/9 (YD 041248) HAD 12-18 RDS 82MM MORTAR IMPACT 300 METERS TO SW OF PERIMETER. FIRED 81MM MORTAR AND ARTY MSN WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS., AT (YD 037264). (SOR 38).

(2) 052240H, D/1/9 (YD 098234) HEARD MOVEMENT AND RECEIVED SA FIRE AND 1-2 CHICOM GRENADES FROM ESTIMATED 3-4 NVA. RETURNED SA FIRE AND CALLED ARTY. MSN W/UNK RESULTS. (SOR 38).

(3) 060730H, K/3/9 (YD 163313) FOUND ASSORTED NVA SMALL ARM AMMO, NVA 782 GEAR AND ASSORTED NVA MEDICAL GEAR APPROXIMATELY 3-4 MONTHS OLD. DESTROYED ALL GEAR. (SOR 7).

(4) 061130H, C/1/9 (YD 051206) FOUND FRESHLY CUT VINE TRAIL, PUNJI STAKES AND FRESHLY CUT LOGS. SEARCH'D AREA W/MEG RESULTS.

(5) 061055H, A/1/9 (YD 021248) INDIVIDUAL OF UNIT DETONATED BOOBY TRAP WHICH WAS COMPOSED OF A VINE CONNECTED TO A CHICOM GRENADE. SEARCH OF AREA PRODUCED NO OTHER BOOBY TRAPS.

## 4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES FOR SCOTLAND II AFTON/DAWSON RIVER AFTON:

- (1) ENEMY KIA: 10
- (2) DETAINEES: 87 INNOCENT CIVILIANS  
1 CHIEU HOI
- (3) WEAPONS: 4- 8 IWC- 1GSWC

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SECTION: S-2 9TH MARINES  
 DRAFTER: P. W. LEACHE  
 RELEASED: F. S. TAFF

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FROM: NINTH MARINES  
 TO: CG TASK FORCE HOTEL  
 CG THIRD MARDIV  
 FIRST BN NINTH MAR  
 SECOND BN NINTH MAR  
 THIRD BN NINTH MAR

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1. 9TH MAR INTSUM # 43 OPN DAWSON RIVER AFTON

2. 061800H - 071800H DEC 68

## 3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITY:

(1) 061745H, DELAYED ENTRY: D/1/9 (YD 010213) FOUND TRAIL RUNNING WEST TO EAST, 3 FT WIDE. TRAIL RECENTLY USED. CONTINUED MISSION.

(2) 061945H, A/1/9 (YD 042251) HEARD MOVEMENT TO NORTHWEST OF POSITION. FIRED 81MM AND ARTY MSN W/UNK RESULTS.

(3) 062230H, C/1/9 OBSERVED UNKNOWN NUMBER OF NVA BETWEEN LINES AND CLAYMORE MINES (YD 051206). THREW GRENADES AND FIRED SA W/UNK RESULTS. (SOR 38) (SOR 23).

(4) 071106H, A/1/9 (YD 146257) AO OBSERVED BUNKERS OF UNK SIZE AND UNDETERMINED NUMBER. PATROL TO CHECK OUT AREA.

(5) 071130H, C/1/9 (YD 037205) PATROL FOUND 20 FIGHTING HOLES, FRESH FOOTPRINTS AND TRAILS AROUND F/HOLES. SEARCHED AREA W/NEG RESULTS.

(6) 071230H, C/1/9 (YD 038200) FOUND 4 STRUCTURES, 3 RIFLES INSIDE. RIFLES WERE 2 MAUSER AND 1 M-1 RIFLE. 3 IWC.

(7) 071245H, A/1/9 (YD 059246) FOUND HUTS AND APPROX 200 LBS OF WHEAT. DEST WHEAT. (SOR 54).

4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES FOR SCOTLAND II AFTON/DAWSON RIVER AFTON:

(1) ENEMY KIA: 10

(2) DETAINEES: 87 INNOCENT CIVILIANS  
1 CHIEU HOT

(3) WEAPONS: 12

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12 9TH MARINES  
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 RELEASEER: F. S. TAFF

IMMEDIATE 091050 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES  
 TO: CG TASK FORCE HOTEL  
 CG THIRD MARDIV  
 FIRST BN NINTH MAR  
 SECOND BN NINTH MAR  
 THIRD BN NINTH MAR

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1. 9TH MAR INTSUM # 44 OPN DAWSON RIVER AFTON

2. 071800H - 081800H DEC 68

3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES:

LATE ENTRIES:

(1) 060900H L/3/9 (YD 058338) OBSERVED 1 PERSON W/GREEN TROUSERS. NEGATIVE WEAPON. HE RAN IN ANOTHER DIRECTION.

(2) 061030H L/3/9 (YD 031271) OBSERVED 2 PEOPLE GOING EAST. COULD NOT TELL IF THEY HAD WEAPONS. SEARCHED AREA. RESULTS UNKNOWN.

(3) 061630H, C/1/9 (YD 051203) PATROL FOUND SMALL ANIMAL TRAPS AND FRESH EDIBLE VEGETATION DUG UP. KIT CARSON SCOUTS CHECK'D AREA AND REPORTED THAT BROU HAD EATEN PLANTS AND USED TRAPS.

(4) 061930H, C/1/9 (YD 051203) HEARD MOVEMENT AND SOUNDS OF LOOSE 762. 61MM ON STANDBY, AWAITING FURTHER DEVELOPMENT.

(5) 062230H, C/1/9 (YD 051206) HEARD MOVEMENT AND SAW ENEMY IN FRONT OF POSITION. THREE GRENADES, FIRED CLAYMORES AND SAF. ILLUMINATION ALSO EMPLOYED, WILL CHECK AT FIRST LIGHT. (SOR 38).

(6) 071030H, B/1/9 (YD 090262) PATROL SIGHTED WOOD FENCE

APPROX 6-7 FT HIGH APPROX 4 MONTHS OLD. DISCOVERED RICE BIN BEHIND FENCE. A PATH RAN BETWEEN FENCE AND A GARDEN. SHELTER SIGHTED AT (YD 100272). OTHER SIGHTINGS VISIBLE BUT ACROSS RIVER. PATROL SEARCHED TRAILS, NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(7) 071130H, C/1/9 (YD 037205) FOUND 20 FIGHTING HOLES W/FRESH FOOTPRINTS AND TRAILS. HOLES FORM "U"-SHAPED PERIMETER. CHECK'D AREA, NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(8) 071130H, M/3/9 (YD 198264) TRAIL NE-NW. ALONG TRAIL ARE RECENTLY USED STRUCTURES. FOUND STAKE W/TR/75 ON IT. POINTED DOWN TRAIL. 25 METERS FROM STAKE FOUND BURNED BODY IN BLACK CLOTH. RESULT 1 NVA KIA (C).

(9) 071630H, M/3/9 (YD 203310-YD 200313) FOUND 2 LZ'S, 1 WAS SURROUNDED BY 57 FIGHTING HOLES AND APPROX 100 FIGHTING HOLES ALONG TRAIL BETWEEN THE 2 LZ'S.

(10) 071000H, C/1/9 (YD 073201) PATROL FOUND SMALL BROU VILLE WITH 2 LARGE STRUCTURES, PAPERS W/NAMES AND SUPPLY ROUTES; BOTTLES OF MEDICINE, PLANT FOODS & PEPPERS, BASKETS, WATER CONTAINER, PACKS, 1 ROUND UNKNOWN CALIBER. OBSERVED BROU IN AREA.

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(11) 071510H, C/1/9 (YD 037201) FOUND 1 NVA BELT, COVER, SHIRT AND 1 AMMO POUCH. SENT GEAR TO BN S-2.

(12) 071630H, M/3/9 (YD 203310-YD 200313) FOUND 30 ROUNDS M-16 AMMO, 1 NVA COVER, 1 BROKEN DA-386 BATTERY, 1 CANDLE 3", 3 USED SHOKI GRENADES, 2 BAMBOO BASKETS, 1 PAIR NVA TENNIS SHOES, 1 US JUNGLE BOOT, 1 US HELMET LINER, 1 CARD BOARD 12X12" WITH VIETNAMESE WRITING, 2 EMPTY VC PACKS, ITEMS APPEARED 3-6 MONTHS OLD. ALL FORWARDED TO 3/9

(13) 071145H, A/1/9 (YD 044257) OBSERVED 1 ELEPHANT AND 3 WATER BUFFALOES RUNNING LOOSE, CONTINUED WITH PATROL.

(14) 071230H, D/1/9 (YD 096231) PATROL ENCOUNTERED STRONG SMELL OF SOMETHING DEAD AND HEARD MOVEMENT TO LEFT FLANK. CHECKED AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

(15) 071345H, M/3/9 (YD 200295) FOUND 1 NVA PACK STILL WET WITH SWEAT. PACK CONTAINED 1 CELLOPHANE WRAPPER CONTAINING PILLS, TWO BOWLS, TWO KETTLES, ONE EMPTY AND ONE CONTAINING RICE, 1 CHICOM GRENADE, 1 CANTEEN OF UNCOOKED RICE, 1 BATTLE DRESSING POWDER IN A CELLOPHANE BAG, 1 PLASTIC BAG OF UNIDENTIFIED POWDER, 1 SET GREEN SKIVVIES, 1 KHAKI SHIRT. ARTY AND 60MM MORTAR MSN BEING CALLED ON AREA.

(ENTRIES FOR REPORTING PERIOD)

(1) 081340H, C/1/9 (YD 043203) PATROL APPROACHING VILLAGE RECEIVED SA FIRE FROM APPROX 4 NVA. CALLED 81MM AND 4.2" MSNS. WILL SWEEP VILLAGE AFTER MISSIONS FIRED.

(2) 081400H, M/3/9 (YD 189298). RECEIVED APPROX 100 RDS SA FIRE FROM THIS COORD. ALSO FIRED ARTY AND 60MM MSN. 2 NVA KIA (C).

#### 4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES FOR SCOTLAND II AFTON/DAWSON RIVER AFTON:

- (1) ENEMY KIA: 13
- (2) DETAINERS: 88 INNOCENT CIVILIANS  
1 CHIBU HOI
- (3) WEAPONS: 12 AP IWC; 1 CSWC

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FROM: NINTH MARINES  
 TO: CG TASK FORCE HOTEL  
 CG THIRD MARDIV  
 FIRST BN NINTH MAR  
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SECTION: S-2 9TH MARINES

DRAFTER: P. W. LEACH

RELEASER: F. S. TAFT

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1. 9TH MAR INTSUM # 45 OPN DAVSON RIVER AFTON
2. 081800H - 091800H DEC 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES:

## LATE ENTRIES:

(1) 081300H, M/3/9 (YD 198305) PATROL FOUND OLD CAMP SITE W/ FRAME STRUCTURES 6x5 FT, 3-6 MONTHS OLD, AND A WELL DEVELOPED TRAIL LEADING SE AT (YD 189309), 6 HOOCHES 6x5 FT, 3-6 MONTHS OLD, 3 COOKING POTS AND A TRAIL CONNECTING THE 2 AREAS AT (YD 194300). CHECKED AREA W/NEG RESULTS.

(2) 081400H, M/3/9 (YD 189295) FOUND AND DESTROYED 3 HOOCHES 8x10 FT ON TOP OF MINGER APPEARED TO BE A C.P., 1 MESSHALL 20x10 FT and 1 LIVING QUARTERS 10x20 FT

(3) 081540H, L/3/9 (YD 260290) FOUND 1 SLEEPING HOOCH, LARGE ENOUGH FOR 15 PEOPLE USED WITHIN PAST 6 MONTHS.

(4) 081400H, M/3/9 (YD 189298) FOUND 1 SMG, .45 CAL, 400 RDS 7.62MM, ASSORTED US & ARVN 782 GEAR. FORWARDED ALL TO 3/9 CP.1 IWC.

(5) 082110H, D/1/9, (YD 123244) AMBUSH HAD MOVEMENT 25 METERS AROUND THEM. FIRED SAF, WITHDREW AMBUSH AND FIRED 60MM AND 81MM MSN. CHECKED OUT AREA W/NEG RESULTS. (SOR 38), (SOR 7).

(6) 082240H, D/1/9 (YD 101213) OBSERVED LIGHT. FIRED ARTY MSN, EXCELLENT COVERAGE. LIGHT WENT OUT.

(7) 082245H, D/1/9 (YD 120247) TRIP FIA RE SET OFF IN FRONT OF LINE FIRED SAF, M-79 AND 60MM MSN. ARTY MSN FIRED W/UNK RESULTS. (SOR 38) (SOR 7).

(8) 090800H, L/3/9 (YD 262288) FOUND 165 FIGHTING HOLES AND 50 HOOCHES AND MISC GEAR. CONTINUED SEARCH.

(9) 090845H, M/3/9 (YD 262201) FOUND WELL DEVELOPED TRAIL RECENTLY USED, RUNNING SE-E. CONTINUED SEARCH.

(10) 090930H, A/1/9 AIRCRAFT RUNNING PIPETTES RECEIVED .50 CAL FIRE FROM (YD 037244). RAN AIR STRIKE AND 100 RDS SA AMMO OBSERVED 100 SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS. UNCLASSIFIED

(11) 091050H, C/1/9 (YD 037203) FOUND 2 HOOCHES AND 2 US ANTI-TANK MINES, MISC FOODS, 40 LBS NVA TNT, AND 2-5 ORD MAGAZINES, SIMILAR TO US THOMPSON AND 100 RDS SA AMMO. CONTINUED SEARCH.

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(12) 091115H, A/1/9, (YD 0328) WHILE MAKING HELO LIFT, ONE HELO RECEIVED FIRE. LIFT CANCELLED. (SOR 38).

(13) 091300H, D/1/9 (YD 086234) FOUND TRAIL RUNNING TO SOUTH. CHECKED OUT AREA W/NEG RESULTS.

(14) 091532H, I/3/9 (YD 256300) RECEIVED SAF AND AW FIRE AFTER HEARING MOVEMENT IN BUSH. RETURNED SAF AND CALLED 81MM MSN. WILL CHECK AREA AFTER 81MM MSN. (SOR 38, 7).

(15) 091430H, A/1/9 (YD 068249) FOUND 2 HOOCHES, 1,000 LBS RICE AND 60 LBS CORN. TAKING RICE AND CORN TO A/1/9 PSN. (SOR 54).

4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES FOR SCOTLAND II AFTON/DAWSON RIVER AFTON:

(1) ENEMY KIA: 13

(2) DETAINEES: 88 INNOCENT CIVILIANS

1 CHIEU HOI

(3) WEAPONS: 13 LA IWC; 1 CSNC

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SECTION: S-2 9TH MARINES  
 DRAFTER: *R. W. LEECH*  
 RELEASED: P. S. TRAFF

IMMEDIATE *11-10-30* Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES  
 TO: CG TASK FORCE HOTEL  
 CG THIRD MARDIV  
 FIRST BN NINTH MAR  
 SECOND BN NINTH MAR  
 THIRD BN NINTH MAR

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1. 9TH MAR INTSUM # 46 OPN DAWSON RIVER AF FOX
  2. 091800H - 101800H DEC 68
  3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES:

LATE ENTRIES:

(1) 081400H, C/1/9 (YD 048203) PATROL SEARCHING TRAIL FOUND FIGHTING HOLES AND HOOCHES. FIRE TEAM TAKEN UNDER SAF. ENEMY USED GRENADES. TEAM RETURNED FIRE, WITHDREW AND CALLED 81MM RSN. AO ON STATION W/GUNSHIPS. ENEMY CARRIED M-1 RIFLS AND WORE KHAKI SHIRTS, W/GREEN TROUSERS. RESULT OF ENEMY LOSSES UNKNOWN (SOR 38).

(2) 082100H, C/1/9 (YD 052205) 1 ENEMY SPOTTED. TAKEN UNDER-FIRE W/SAF AND AWF. RESULTS UNKNOWN. (SOR 38).

(3) 091115H, C/3/9 (YD 149312) FOUND NVA 6 MONTH OLD CAMP SITE, 2 HOOCHES FOR COOKING, 1 E-TOOL AND 1 PAIR BURNT PANTS.

(4) 091130H, A/1/9 (YD 068249) FOUND 2 HOOCHES W/1,000 LBS UNPOLISHED RICE, 60 LBS CORN IN BASKETS. TOOK ALL TO A/1/9 TO BE SENT TO MAI LOC. (SOR 54).

(5) 091230H (FOLLOW-UP TO 090800H) L/3/9 (YD 266284) FOUND 1 STRUCTURE 25X15X9 FT W/UNDERGROUND BASEMENT 12X15X4 FT. FOUND MISC NVA 702 GEAR, MEDICAL ITEMS, TNT, 110 MDS 12.7MM AMMO, DOCUMENTS AND CLOTHING. 50 METERS AWAY FOUND ONE GRAVE WITH ONE BODY W/DATE 21-10-68. FOUND ONE BODY NVA ID CARD. STRUCTURE AND ORDNANCE DEST. OTHER GEAR FORWARDED TO REGT S-2. 1 NVA KIA (C).

(6) 091655H, D/1/9 (YD 098233) FOUND ENEMY RUNNING EAST TO WEST. FOUND FRESH TENNIS SHOE PRINTS ON TRAIL. CONTINUED MISSION.

(7) 091730H, I/3/9 (YD 256304) FOUND 4 - 122MM ROCKETS PROJECTILES W/3 BOOSTERS. AO ON STATION RECEIVED SAF FROM 500 METERS NORTH OF PATROL. CONTINUED SEARCH OF AREA. (SOR 38).

(8) 101057H, I/3/9 (YD 256304) OBSERVED 2 NVA FIRED 82MM. NVA RETURNED FIRE AND FIRED NORTH. FIRED 82MM MANEUVER (SOR 38).

(9) 101300H, I/3/9 (YD 270300) RECEIVED 1 NVA FIRED 1 AW. RETURNED SAF. (SOR 38).

(10) 101600H, I/3/9 (YD 269301) FOUND 25 PAGES, 3 MEDICAL PACKS, SOME DOCUMENTS. CONTINUED SEARCH.

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## 4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES FOR SCOTLAND II: AFTON/DAWSON RIVER AFTON:

- (1) ENEMY KIA: 14
- (2) DETAINEES: 88 INNOCENT CIVILIANS  
1 CHIEU HOI
- (3) WEAPONS: 13 12 IWC; 1 CSWC

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 DRAFTER: P. W. LEITCH  
 RELEASER: F. S. TAFF

IMMEDIATE 121055 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES  
 TO: CG TASK FORCE HOTEL  
 CG THIRD MARDIV  
 FIRST BN NINTH MAR  
 SECOND BN NINTH MAR  
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1. 9TH MAR INTSUM # 47 OPN DAWSON RIVER AFTON

2. 101800H - 111800H DEC 68

## 3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES:

(1) LATE ENTRY: 101630H, C/1/9 (YD 038200) RECEIVED FIRE FROM ESTIMATED 5-6 NVA. RETURNED SAF & 81MM MORTAR FIRE AND PURSUED ENEMY RESULTING IN 1 NVA KIA (C). (SOR 38)

(2) LATE ENTRY: 101700H, E/1/9 (YD 105267) OBSERVED TWO PERSONS WEARING KHAKI CLOTHING OBSERVING POSITION. FIRED 81MM MORTAR MSN AT (YD 098257) W/UNK RESULTS. (SOR 15).

(3) 110830H, A/1/9 (YD 049294) FOUND 15 PUNJI PITS MEASURING APPROX 12" TO 18" IN LENGTH, 4" TO 6" WIDE, 10" TO 15" IN DEPTH ALONG NORTH-SOUTH TRAIL. DESTROYED PITS.

(4) 111300H, I/3/9 (FOLLOW UP TO 101600H) (YD 261301) FOUND 3 STRUCTURES, 25 LBS RICE, 5 LBS SALT, ASSORTED US 782 GEAR AND CLOTHING, 1 US CLAYMORE MINE, 15 NVA E-TOOLS, 24 82MM AND 7 60MM MORTAR RDS, 1,500 RDS 7.62MM AMMO, MAP CASE W/R-336 ON FLAP, MISC DOCUMENTS, 1 CZECH ASSAULT RIFLE, 1 82MM MORTAR TUBE, 30 82MM MORTAR FUZES, FIELD GLASSES CASE, AND ASSORTED MEDICAL GEAR. RETAINED MEDICAL GEAR, DOCUMENTS, MAP CASE, SOME CLOTHING. DESTROYED REST OF GEAR. 1 IWC, 1 CSWC. (SOR 7, 54).

(5) 111345H, C/1/9 (YD 031198) RECEIVED AW FIRE FROM SET NVA SQUAD. RETURNED FIRE, CALLED 81MM MORTAR MSN AT (YD 026199). ENEMY BROKE CONTACT. PURSUING ENEMY. (SOR 38).

(6) 111400H, C/1/9 (YD 033198) RECEIVED SA FIRE FROM ESTIMATED 4-5 NVA. RETURNED FIRE. ENEMY BROKE CONTACT. (SOR 38).

(7) 111410H, C/1/9 (YD 041214) PATROL FOUND HUT. INSIDE FOUND RIFLE OF UNKNOWN CALIBER, APPROX 300 LBS RICE, MISC DOCUMENTS. DESTROYED HUT AND RICE. FORWARDED OTHER GEAR TO BN S-2. 1 IWC. PPS43

(8) 111430H, L/3/9 (YD 277275) FOUND 50 FT NVA COMM WIRES, 6 TRANSISTORS, LETTERS. FORWARD DOCUMENTS TO REGT S-2.

(9) 111500H, L/3/9 (YD 273277) FOUND 2 COMM WIRES OF SOLID COPPER, NVA WRITING PAPER, WIRES WERE 400 METERS LONG.

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## 4.2 CUMULATIVE LOSSES FOR SCOTLAND II AFTON/DAWSON RIVER AFTON:

- (1) ENEMY KIA: 15
- (2) DETAINEES: 68 INNOCENT CIVILIANS  
1 CHIEU HOT
- (3) WEAPONS: 16 14 IWO; 2 CSWC

E-15 NEGATIVE

CP-4

SP

700/121145 Z DEC 68  
CCW DATA 213 sf

700/121300Z/CCURVER/RD/RDD/CCN 309

DTG 121055Z DEC 68

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DRAFTER: P. W. LEACH

RELEASER: F. S. JAFFE

IMMEDIATE 150307z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES  
 TO: CG TASK FORCE HOTEL  
 CG THIRD MARDIV  
 FIRST BN NINTH MAR  
 SECOND BN NINH MAR  
 THIRD BN NINTH MAR

HAS BEEN SENT

A/R S-2

HAS BEEN SENT DEC 68

TOP 150545 DEC 68  
cc: S-4 VINT DPL

PERISHABLE INFO, DO NOT SERVICE

1. 9TH MAR INTSUM / 48 OPM DAWSON RIVER AFTON

2. 111000H - 121800H DEC 68

3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES:

(1) 121145H, E/1/9 (YD 111226) (YD 109262) AND (YD 109259) FOUND ONE PTY NVA WALLET, CAMP FIRE W/BONES, A SECOND CAMP FIRE PIECE OF FONCUO AND SEVERAL CIGARETTES. ALL ITEMS FOUND FORWARDED TO BN S-2.

(2) 121500H, I/3/9 (YD 249304) FOUND BUNKER COMPLEX OF 13 BUNKERS, 2 STRUCTURES AND 1 STORAGE BUNKER. 8 FIGHTING HOLES AND TRENCH LINE RUNNING THROUGH COMPLEX, 3 QUADRAVTS, 1 CHICOM GRENADE, 3 ROLLS ELECTRIC WIRE (75 FT), 3 SIGHTS FOR ROCKET LAUNCHER, 2 FUZE BOXES FOR ROCKET ROUNDS. DESTROYED BUNKER COMPLEX. FORWARDED EQUIPMENT TO S-2 REGT. (SOR 4)(SOR 7) 1 NVA GAS MASK CANNISTER, 1 BARREL FWD ALSO.

(3) 121615H, C/1/9 (YD 03218) FOUND 3 STRUCTURES, ONE BARN W/ PIG PEN, 2 BUNKERS, MISC FARM EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES, ONE CROSS-BOW, ALSO FOUND TRAIL AROUND STRUCTURES WHICH WAS RECENTLY USED. ALL DISINFECTED.

(4) 121630H, A/1/9 (YD 034276) FOUND TRAIL RUNNING FROM NORTH TO SOUTH, 2-4 YARDS WIDE. TRAIL SHOWED SIGNS OF RECENT USE. CONTINUE PATROL.

(5) 121010H, B/1/9 (YD 102275) FOUND 10 BUNKERS ESTIMATED TO BE APPROX 2 YEARS OLD. DEST BUNKERS.

(6) LATE ENTRY: 111200H, M/3/9 (YD 109293-YD 220302) EXPLORED A HIGH SPEED TRAIL BETWEEN ABOVE COORDS. AT WEST END OF ORIGIN, A TREE HAS "TC 53" CARVED IN IT. TRAIL FOLLOWS HIGH GROUND TO NEWLY CONSTRUCTED BUNKERS. TRAIL 4-5 FT WIDE AND WELL USED. NUMBER OF BAMBOO STEPS AND HAND RAILS AT EAST END.

(7) LATE ENTRY: 111445H, G/2/9 (YD 012453) 35 MONTAGUARDS IN NEED OF MEDICAL TREATMENT ON WAY TO CAM LO ENTERED G/2/9 PSN. S-5 MADE ARRANGEMENTS AND THEY WERE FLOWN TO MAI LOC.

-(8) LATE ENTRY: 111530H, C/1/9 (YD 025197) FOUND RECENT WELL USED TRAIL.

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(9) LATE ENTRY: 111125H, 1/3/9 (YD 250302) RECEIVED 10-20 RDS SA FIRE. RETURNED FIRE, RESULTING IN 1 NVA KIA (C), W/PACK, NEG WPN. CONTINUED SEARCH. (SOR 38).

(10) 111800H, 1/3 CP (YD 030197 LP RECEIVED 10 RDS SA FIRE FROM 1-2 ENEMY. RETURNED FIRE. NO RESULTS REPORTED. (SOR 38).

(11) 112040H, B/1/9 (YD 105268) LINES OBSERVED 2 PEOPLE IN FRONT OF POSITION. FIRED M-60 & THREW 2 GRENADES. CALLED 60MM & 105 ILLUM. MSNS. NEGATIVE RESULTS. (SOR 38).

(12) 121110H, 1/3/9 (YD 250304) OBSERVED 1 ENEMY IN HEAVY CANOPY. FIRED SA FIRE AND 60MM MSN. REQUESTED AO. RESULTS UNKNOWN. (SOR 38).

(13) 121125H, M/3/9 (YD 221305) FOUND 1 LOH-6 ARMY TYPE HELICOPTER #15417 ON TAIL. ALSO FOUND 1 NVA BODY IN BODY BAG. RESULTS 1 NVA KIA (C).

(14) 121250H, M/3/9 (YD 223302) FOUND 1 GRAVE W/1 BODY & HELMET. METAL CONTAINER. FENCE AROUND GRAVE ON 3 SIDES. SEARCHED AREA. RESULTS UNKNOWN. 1 NVA KIA (C).

#### 4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES FOR DAWSON RIVER AFTON AS OF 121800H DEC 68:

(1) ENEMY KIA: 32

(2) DETAINEES: 126 BROU

(3) WEAPONS: ~~20~~ 16 22 IWC; ~~2~~ CSWC  
14 2

5-15 NEGATIVE

GP=4

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TOR; VIA COURIER 150550Z/DEC 68/ERB/PHM/CON-395/STU:150315Z

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TO: S-2 9TH MARINES

S-2 9TH MARINES  
P. W. LEACH

RELEASEER: F. S. TAFP

IMMEDIATE 150315 Z DEC 68

HAS BEEN SENT

A/R 6-2

FROM: NINTH MARINES  
 TO: CG TASK FORCE HOTEL  
 CG THIRD MARDIV  
 FIRST BN NINTH MAR  
 SECOND BN NINTH MAR  
 THIRD BN NINTH MAR

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 PERISHABLE INFO, DO NOT SERVICE  
 1. 9TH MAR INTSUM # 49 OPN DAWSON RIVER AFTON

2. 121800H - 131800H DEC 68  
 3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES:

(1) 122130H, C/1/9 (YD 038198) AMBUSH HEARD MOVEMENT ALONG TRAIL, ESTIMATED 6-8 NVA. FIRED SA, AND CLAYMORES. CHECK OF AREA SHOWED SMALL PATCH OF BLOOD. 1 KIA PROBABLE. (SOR 38).

(2) 130930H, I/3/9 (YD 254304) FOUND 2 NVA GRAVES WITH TWO REMAINS. ESTIMATED GRAVES TO BE 8 MONTHS OLD. 2 NVA KIA (C).

(3) 130945H, L/3/9 (YD 288309) FOUND 10 BUNKERS, ESTIMATED TO BE APPROX 2 YEARS OLD. DEST. BUNKERS.

(4) 131040H, L/3/9 (YD 259310) FOUND 3 BUNKERS AND 3 FIGHTING HOLES. BUNKERS WERE ABOUT 1 1/2 YEARS OLD. DEST BUNKERS.

(5) 131045H, I/3/9 (YD 256303) FOUND BUNKER COMPLEX OF 57 BUNKERS, 16 STRUCTURES 15X20X3 FT, APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN OCCUPIED WITHIN PAST 6 MONTHS. ALSO FOUND 4-57MM RR RDS, 2-122MM ROCKETS, 33-60MM MORTAR RDS, 1-82MM MORTAR SITE, 6,000 RDS 7.62MM AMMO, 22 RPG-2 RDS, 1 SKS. DEST ALL ORDNANCE AND CONTINUED SEARCH. 1 IWC.

(6) 131200H, I/3/9 (YD 251303) FOUND BUNKER COMPLEX, ALSO FOUND SKS RIFLES, 1 QUADRANT, MISC NVA 782 GEAR. FOUND 13 GRAVES CONTAINING 13 BODIES. TWO GRAVES HAD "2 W/K (EQUALS) 1 MARKED ON THEM. 13 NVA KIA (C), 7 IWC. WILL DEST ORDNANCE AND CONTINUE SEARCH OF AREA.

4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES FOR DAWSON RIVER AFTON AS OF 131800H DEC 68:

- (1) ENEMY KIA: 47
- (2) DETAINEES: 126 BROU
- (3) WEAPONS: 24 22 IWC; 2 CSWC

(ABOVE TOTALS REPORTED BY S-2 (FWD) ON 14 DEC 68 BY TELECON).

5-15 NEGATIVE  
 GP-4  
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 TMR : VIA COURIER 150356Z/DEC68/ERB/FHM/CCN-395/018-150315Z

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**UNCLASSIFIED****IMMEDIATE**

SECTION: S-2 9TH MARINES

DRAFTED: J. R. DINANT

RELEASER: L. L. ECHO

IMMEDIATE 211029 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES  
 TO: CG TASK FORCE HOTEL  
 CG THIRD MARDIV  
 FIRST BN NINTH MAR  
 SECOND BN NINTH MAR  
 THIRD BN NINTH MAR

**//HAS BEEN SENT//****PERISHABLE INFO, DO NOT SERVICE**

1. 9TH MAR INT SOM # 50 DAWSON RIVER AFTON

2. 131800H - 141800H DEC 68

3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES:

(1) 131530H LATE ENTRY: 1/3/9 (YD 244313) FOUND 4 BUNKERS, 1 STRUCTURE, 1 SEWING MACHINE, 4,500 BLASTING CAPS AND MISC NVA 782 GEAR, DESTROYED ORDNANCE AND BUNKERS. (SOR 7,54)

(2) 131630H LATE ENTRY: 1/3/9 (YD 242313) FOUND 6 BUNKERS, AND 4 STRUCTURES, 2 RPG ROUNDS, 1 SKS RIFLE. DESTROYED BUNKERS AND STRUCTURES AND ORDNANCE. 1 IWC. (SOR 7,54)

(3) 131720H LATE ENTRY: 1/3/9 (YD 268307) FOUND 60 BUNKERS, 10 STRUCTURES, 72 - 82MM MORTAR ROUNDS, 9 RPG ROUNDS, 2 AK-47 RIFLES, 3 GREASE GUNS, 8 SK-44 RIFLES, 3 - 82MM MORTAR SIGHTS, DOCUMENTS AND MISC 782 GEAR. DESTROYED ORDNANCE AND BUNKERS. FORWARDED CAPTURED WEAPONS TO REGT S-2. (SOR 7,54). 13 IWC.

(4) 132015H, 1/3/9 (YD 256305) OBSERVED BLINKING LIGHTS AT (YD 262337). FIRED ARTY MSN W/UNK RESULTS.

(5) 131700H, LATE ENTRY: 1/3/9 (YD 242314) FOUND MISC NVA 782 GEAR.

(6) 140930H, 1/3/9 (YD 249301) BUNKER COMPLEX, 2 MACHINE GUNS (BRAND NEW), 2 RIFLES, MISC DOCUMENT. DESTROYED BUNKER COMPLEX AND FORWARDING CAPTURED DOCUMENTS TO S-2. (SOR 7,54) 2 IWC, 2 CSWC.

(7) 141030H, 3/9 (YD 237313) 1 BUNKER, 19 - 82MM MORTAR ROUNDS, DESTROYED ORDNANCE AND BUNKERS. (SOR 7,54)

(8) 141200H, 3/9 (YD 236314) 8 BUNKERS, 1 TREE USED FOR NVA OP (80 FT HIGH). DESTROYED BUNKERS AND OP. (SOR )

(9) 141115H, 3/9 (YD 303301) FOUND 1 SKS, 1 SUB MACHINE GUN, 1 M-1 CARBINE, 1 PORTABLE MEGAPHONE, 5 BUNKERS, ASSORTED MEDICAL GEAR. DESTROYED BUNKERS AND FORWARDING WEAPONS TO REAR. 3 IWC. (SOR 7,54)

(10) 141300H, 3/9 (YD 241306) 5 BUNKERS, 12 RPG ROUNDS, ASSORTED DOCUMENTS, DESTROYED BUNKERS. FORWARDING DOCUMENTS TO REAR. (SOR 7,54)

(11) 141400H, 1/3/9 (YD 251515) FOUND 1 BUNKER IN GRAVE.

1 NVA KIA (C)

(12) 141500H, 1/3/9 (YD 241306) 1 DETECTOR DEVICE (WEIGHT 3 LBS WITH BLACK CHINESE MARKINGS). FORWARDING DEVICE TO S-2. (SOR )

(13) 141500H, 1/3/9 (YD 254284) 3 STRUTTER WITH BUNKERS UNDER THEM, DESTROYED BUNKERS AND STRUCTURES. (SOR )

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9TH MAR INTSUM # 50

(14) 141635H, M/3/9 (YD 238317) BUNKER COMPLEX, 6 AK-47 RIFLES,  
4 BURP GUNS, 8 SKS RIFLES. RETURNING CAPTURED WEAPONS TO S-2.  
(SOR 7, 54). 18 IWC.

(15) 141500H, L/3/9 (YD 264309) NVA OBSERVATION TOWER (50 FT  
HIGH). DESTROYED. (SOR )

(16) 141700H, L/3/9 (YD 265305) 1 SKS, 2 - 122MM ROCKET ROUNDS,  
1 - 82MM RR RIFLE, 5 STRUCTURES, ALSO FOUND 2 BODIES IN GRAVES.  
2 NVA KIA (C). FORWARDING CAPTURED WEAPON TO S-2. 2 IWC, 1 CSWC.  
(SOR 7, 54)

4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES FOR DAWSON RIVER AFTON:

(1) ENEMY KIA: 50  
(2) DETAINEES: 126 (A) 125 BROU (B) 1 HOI CHAN  
(3) WEAPONS: ~~268~~ IWC: ~~263~~ CSWC: ~~23~~

5-15 NEGATIVE  
GP-4

BT TOR: 220500Z/VIA COURIER/HFF/RDD/CCN:548 DTG: 211029Z DEC68

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TOR: 220500Z/VIA COURIER/AGB/RDD/CCN-548 DTG: 211029Z DEC68

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IMMEDIATE~~

SECTION: S-2 9TH MARINES

DRAFTER: J. R. DINANT

RELEASER: L. L. ETCHE

IMMEDIATE 211220 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES  
 TO: CG TASK FORCE HOTEL  
 CG THIRD MARDIV  
 FIRST BN NINTH MAR  
 SECOND BN NINTH MAR  
 THIRD BN NINTH MAR

HAS BEEN SENT

PUBLISHABLE INFO, DO NOT SERVICE

1. 9TH MAR INTSUM # 51 DAWSON RIVER AFTON
2. 141800H - 151800H DEC 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES
  - (1) 151000H, I/3/9 (YD 266302) NVA PLT SIZE PERIMETER.
  - (2) 151200H, I/3/9 (YD 243306) 4 BUNKERS, 3 STRUCTURES, DESTROYED BUNKERS AND STRUCTURES.
  - (3) 151200H, I/3/9 (YD 243306) 6 BUNKERS AND 6 STRUCTURES APPROX 6 MONTHS OLD AND MISC NVA GEAR. DESTROYED BUNKERS AND STRUCTURES AND NVA GEAR.
  - (4) 151430H, I/3/9 (YD 255313) 2 BUNKERS. DEST BUNKERS BY FIRE.
  - (5) 151540H, K/3/9 (YD 267314) CONTACT WITH ESTIMATED NVA SQUAD WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. (SOR 38).

## 4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES FOR DAWSON RIVER AFTON:

- |                |      |              |                |
|----------------|------|--------------|----------------|
| (1) ENEMY KIA: | 50   | (A) 125 BROU | (B) 1 HOI CHAN |
| (2) DETAINEES: | 126  | IWC: 563     | CSVC: 43       |
| (3) WEAPONS:   | 2968 |              |                |

5-15 NEGATIVE

GP-4

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TOR: 220800Z/VIA COURIER/AGB/RDD/CCN-549

DTG: 211220Z DEC 68

  
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SECTION: S-2 9TH MARINES

DRAFTER: J. R. DINANT

RELEASER: L. L. ETCHO

IMMEDIATE 211225 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES  
 TO: CG TASK FORCE HOTEL  
 CG THIRD MARDIV  
 FIRST BN NINTH MAR  
 SECOND BN NINTH MAR  
 THIRD BN NINTH MAR

**IMMEDIATE**

///HAS BEEN SENT///

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PERISHABLE INFO, DO NOT SERVICE

1. 9TH MAR INTSUM # 52 DAWSON RIVER AFTON

2. 151800H - 161800H DEC 68

3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES

(1) 151830H, RECON TEAM JACKSON (XD 677458) FOUND 8 BUNKERS, BUNKERS DESTROYED BY DEMO.

(2) 161150H, K/3/9 (YD 267316) EXCHANGE OF SMALL ARMS FIRE WITH ESTIMATED NVA PLT WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. (SOR 38).

(3) 161145H, A/1/9 (YD 242333) CONTACT WITH UNKNOWN SIZE OF NVA FORCE WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. (SOR 38).

(4) 151800H, A/1/9 (YD 199287) FOUND 1 MORTAR BASE PLATE, 2 CLAYMORE MINES, DESTROYED ORDNANCE. (SOR 7,54)

(5) 161020H, M/3/9 (YD 242333) 3 BUNKERS, 3 STRUCTURES, DESTROYED BUNKERS AND STRUCTURES WITH FIRE. (SOR 7,54)

(6) 161145H, M/3/9 (YD 242333) 1 NVA KIA (C). BODY APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN IN GOOD HEALTH, WEIGHT APPROX 145 LBS. 1 AK-47 (NEW), ASSORTED DOCUMENTS. RETURNING DOCUMENTS TO REAR. 1 NVA KIA (C), 1 IWC.

(7) 161000H, D/1/9 (YD 100200) RECEIVED FIRE FROM REINFORCED SQUAD RETURNING FIRE WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. (SOR 38).

(8) 161000H, A/1/9 (YD 185176) FOUND 24- 60MM MORTAR ROUNDS AND MISC GEAR. DESTROYED NVA GEAR. (SOR 7,54)

4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES FOR DAWSON RIVER AFTON:

(1) ENEMY KIA: 51

(2) DETAINEES: 126

(3) WEAPONS: 69

(A) 125 BROU

(B) 1 HOI CHAN

IWC: 64 CSWC: 23

5-15 NEGATIVE

GP-4

BT TOR: 220500Z/VIA COURIER/MFF/RDD/CCN: 550 DTG: 211225Z DEC 68

TOR: 220500Z/VIA COURIER/AGB/RDD/CCN-550

DTG: 211225Z DEC 68

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**UNCLASSIFIED****IMMEDIATE**

SECTION: S-2 9TH MARINES  
 DRAFTER: J. R. DINANT  
 RELEASER: L. L. ETCHO

IMMEDIATE 211230 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES  
 TO: CG TASK FORCE HOTEL  
 CG THIRD MARDIV  
 FIRST BN NINTH MAR  
 SECOND BN NINTH MAR  
 THIRD BN NINTH MAR

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PERISHABLE INFO, DO NOT SERVICE

1. 9TH MAR INTSUM # 53 OPN DAWSON RIVER AFTON

2. 161800H - 171800H DEC 68

3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES

(1) 171005H, L/3/9 (YD 276293) FOUND OLD NVA CAMP SITE, 2 FIGHTING HOLES, 2 GRAVES WITH BODIES. DESTROYED CAMP SITE AND FIGHTING HOLES. 2 NVA KIA (C). (SOR )

(2) 171030H, C/1/9 (YD 182253) FOUND FRESH TRAILS WITH FOOT PRINTS. MANY SMALL TRAILS RUNNING OFF MAIN TRAIL.

(3) 171135H, A/1/9 (YD 190267) FOUND 2 STRUCTURES, 1 - 60MM MORTAR ROUND, ASSORTED MEDICAL GEAR AND NVA 782 GEAR. DESTROYED MORTAR ROUND AND 782 GEAR. (SOR 7,54)

(4) 171220H, L/3/9 (YD 280313) FOUND NVA/VC CAMP SITE WITH 12 FIGHTING HOLES, 3 TO 5 MONTHS OLD. DESTROYED CAMP SITE. (SOR )

(5) 171500H, E/2/9 (YD 012453) FOUND 51 BROU WITH BELONGINGS WHO TURNED THEMSELVES IN. BROU WILL BE TRANSPORTED TO CAM LO. CLASSIFIED AS INNOCENT CIVILIANS.

(6) 171445H, A/1/9 (YD 181253) OBSERVED 1 ENEMY IN OPEN ALONG STREAM. OPENED FIRE WITH M-16 AND M-79 WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. (SOR 38).

(7) 171500H, C/1/9 (YD 178258) OBSERVED 1 NVA/VC WALKING UP TRAIL FIRED AT SUBJECT WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. (SOR 38).

4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES FOR OPN DAWSON RIVER AFTON:

(1) ENEMY KIA: 53

(2) DETAINEES: 126

(3) WEAPONS: 8869

(A) 125 BROU

INC: 764

(B) 1 HOI CHAN

CSWC: 5

5-15 NEGATIVE

GP-4 BT TDR: 220500Z/VIA COURIER/HFF/RDD/CCN: 551 DTG: 211230Z DEC68

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TPR: 220500Z/VIA COURIER/AGB/RDD/CCN-551 DTG: 211230Z DEC68

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**UNCLASSIFIED IMMEDIATE**

SECTION: S-2 9TH MARINES  
 DRAFTER: J. R. DINANT  
 RELEASER: L. L. ECHO

IMMEDIATE 211235 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES  
 TO: CG TASK FORCE HOTEL  
 CG THIRD MARDIV  
 FIRST BN NINTH MAR  
 SECOND BN NINTH MAR  
 THIRD BN NINTH MAR

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1. 9TH MAR INTSUM # 54 OPN DAWSON RIVER AFTON
2. 171800H - 181800H DEC 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES

(1) 172245H, A/1/9 (YD 178259) WHILE IN AMBUSH POSITION, HAD DEFINITE MOVEMENT ESTIMATED AT 3 ENEMY, 25 METERS FROM OUR POSITION. SET OFF CLAYMORES AND FIRED SMALL ARMS WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS BECAUSE OF TERRAIN AND DARKNESS. (SOR 38).

(2) 181230H, 2/9 CAMP CARROLL, 2 MONTEGNARDS APPROACHED THEIR POSITION FROM THE SOUTH. NO WEAPON OR GEAR. ONE WAS ABOUT 18 YEARS OLD WEARING ARVN UTILITIES AND UNDERSTOOD ENGLISH. OTHER MAN APPROX 25 YEARS OLD WEARING CIVILIAN CLOTHES. BOTH FROM RESETTLEMENT FIELD SOUTHEAST OF CAMP CARROLL. SUSPECTS ARE NOW AT VCB WAITING FOR TRANSPORTATION TO CAM LO.

(3) 181300H, A/1/9 (YD 214283) FOUND 14 - 82MM MORTAR ROUNDS, 30 MORTAR FUZES, 2 CANS INCREMENTS AND CHARGES, GEAR WAS BEHIND TREE ALONG TRAIL. DESTROYED ORDNANCE AND GEAR. (SOR 7,54)

(4) 181600H, 2/9 ELMS (YD 175253) FOUND 1 9MM PISTOL, 1 ENEMY K-BAR, 8 - 60MM MORTAR ROUNDS, 1 GRAVE WITH 1 BODY. TRAIL ABOUT 8 FT WIDE RUNNING NORTH TO SOUTH. TRAIL RUNS FROM (YD 175253) SOUTH ACROSS HILLS TO (YD 179244). GRAVE FOUND AT (YD 182251). 60MM MORTAR ROUNDS FOUND AT (YD 170255). DESTROYED ALL ORDNANCE. 1 NVA KIA (C). 1 IWC. (SOR 7,54)

4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES FOR OPN DAWSON RIVER AFTON:

- |                |     |              |                |
|----------------|-----|--------------|----------------|
| (1) ENEMY KIA: | 54  | (A) 127 BROU | (B) 1 HOI CHAN |
| (2) DETAINEES: | 128 | IWC: 765     | CS/C: 23       |
| (3) WEAPONS:   | 870 |              |                |

5-15 NEGATIVE

GP-4

BT TOR: 220500Z/VIA COURIER/HFF/RDD/CCN: 552 DTG: 211235Z DEC 68

TOR: 220500Z/VIA COURIER/AGB/RDD/CCN-552

DTG: 211235Z DEC 68

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SECTION: S-2 9TH MARINES

DRAFTED: J. R. DINANT

PUSHR: L. L. ETCHE

IMMEDIATE 211240Z DEC 68

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FROM: 9TH MARINES  
 TO: CG TASK FORCE HOTEL  
 CG THIRD MARDIV  
 FIRST BN NINTH MAR  
 SECOND BN NINTH MAR  
 THIRD BN NINTH MAR

TOD 212030Z  
 CCN \* 021 DDF

PERISHABLE INFO, DO NOT SERVICE

1. 9TH MAR INTSUM # 55 DAWSON RIVER AFTON

2. 181800H - 191800H DEC 68

## 3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES

(1) 191930H X/3/9 (YD 262314) FOUND 6-60MM MORTAR ROUNDS MOUNTED ON BAMBO CARRYING STICKS ABOUT 4 FEET LONG, END OF POLES ARE SPLIT WITH 3 ROUNDS ON EACH POLE, THEY WERE FOUND ABOUT 3 FEET OFF THE TRAIL, DESTROYED ORDNANCE.

(2) 191030H A/1/9 (YD 218285) FOUND 8-M26, 3 M16 MAGS LOADED, 1 CHICOM HELMET, DESTROYED ORDNANCE AND GEAR.

(3) 191030H 2/9 (YD 012453) 2 MONTAGNARDS APPROACHED POSITION REQUESTING TO GO TO CAMLO, BP-2R WAS NOTIFIED, TRANSPORTATION WAS ARRANGED FOR 191500H, NO INFO WAS GATHERED DUE TO LACK OF INTERPRETER.

(4) 191820H 3/9 AO (YD 218368) 50 CAL PITS (YD 218364) TO (YD 220364) TRAIL COORD (YD 1993374) 600 METER CIRCLE, SEVERAL 50 CAL PITS, TRAIL ACTIVITY IN AREA. (YD 229359) SEVERAL TRAILS USED IN LAST COUPLE OF DAYS.

## 4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES FOR DAWSON RIVER AFTON:

(1) ENEMY KIA: 54

(2) DETAINEES: 130

(3) WEAPONS: 70

(A) 129 BROU

IWC: 65

(B) 1 HOICHAN

CSWC: 5

5-15 NEGATIVE

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TOK;220500Z/VIA COURIER/AGB/RDD/CCN=553 DTG: 211240Z DEC68

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SECTION: S-2 9TH MARINES

DRAFTER: J. R. DINANT

RELEASER: L. L. ECHO

IMMEDIATE ~~270400~~ 2 DEC 68

HAS BEEN SENT

FROM: NINTH MARINES  
 TO: CG TASK FORCE HOTEL  
 CG THIRD MARDIV  
 FIRST BN NINTH MAR  
 SECOND BN NINTH MAR  
 THIRD BN NINTH MAR

~~TOD~~ | ~~270714Z DEC 68~~  
~~CCN #135 VIATT~~ | ~~RRP~~

PERISHABLE INFO, DO NOT SERVICE

1. 9TH MAR INTSUM # 56 DAWSON RIVER AFTON

2. 191800H - 201800H DEC 68

3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES

(1) 201010H M/3/9 (YD 225367) FOUND TRAIL JUNCTION RUNNING NORTH EAST TO SOUTH WEST, RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM EST 3 NVA/VC, RETURNED S/A FIRE AND 81 MM WITH UNK RESULTS. (SOR 38)

(2) 201145H I/3/9 (YD 098395) FOUND 1 STRUCTURE 12X6X4, ABOUT 1 YR OLD ALSO FOUND 275 CASES OF 7.92MM AMMO, 50 CASES OF 7.62, 24 CASES OF 45 CAL AMMO, 7 CASES OF TNT, ALSO FOUND 2 SUB MACHINE GUNS. (SOR 38)

(3) 201530H G/1/9 (YD 193295) FOUN. IS WHAT TO BE A WAY STATION ALSO FOUND 2 RIFLES, RADIOTU ES, 2 BOXES OF TRANSISTERS, 1 LARGE TRANSMITTER WEIGHT ABOUT 50 LBS W/ POWER PACK AND CRANK, 1 RADIO OF UNK TYPE, MISC 782 GEAR AND NVA/VC MEDICAL SUPPLIES, 3 POWS WERE TAKEN, POWS STATED THERE WERE 150 NVA/VC IN AREA ABOUT 29 DAYS AGO AND THEY WOULD RETURN IN ABOUT 1 WEEK, THEY ALSO CLAIMED THERE WAS ANOTHER WAY STATION IN AREA. RETURNING POWS TO ITT FOR FUTHER QUESTIONING (SOR 24) YD

(4) 201450H M/3/9 (066425) FOUND 1 BAMBOO STRUCTURE 24X6X10 ABOUT 1 WEEK OLD 100 METERS FORM TRAIL, STRUCTURE CONTAINED 466 USMC SAND BAGS FILLED WITH FRESH RICE, APPROX 9,300 LBS DESTROYED STRUCTURE AND RICE. (SOR 3)

4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES DAWSON RIVER AFTON

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(1) ENEMY KIA: 54

(2) DETAINEES: 133

(3) WEAPONS: ~~72~~ 72

(A) 129 BROU

INC: ~~67~~ 67

(B) 1 HOIC HAN

CSWC: ~~23~~ 23\*56  
5-15 NEGATIVE  
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SECTION: S-2 9TH MARINES

DRAFTER: J. R. DINANT

RELEASER: L. L. ECHO

IMMEDIATE 270405 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES  
 TO: CG TASK FORCE HOTEL  
 CG THIRD MARDIV  
 FIRST BN NINTH MAR  
 SECOND BN NINTH MAR  
 THIRD BN NINTH MAR

~~✓ TAD ✓ 270725 DEC 68~~  
~~VIA TT DDP~~  
~~CCN #136~~

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 1. 9TH MAR INTSUM # 57 DAWSON RIVER AFTON**IMMEDIATE**

2. 201800H - 211800H DEC 68

3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES

(1) 201630H M/3/9 (YD 210365) CONTACT WITH 3 NVA/VC CARRYING AK-47'S PERSUDED THEM TO NORTH WEST AND FOUND A NETWORK OF SMALL TRAILS RUNNING PARALLEL TO RIVER (YD 210364). (SOR 38)

(2) 211010H M/3/9 (YD 230365) FOUND COMMAND DET IN U.S. CLAYMORE MINE, RIGGED ON TRAIL APPEARED TO BE PLACED THERE RECENTLY DESTROYED MINE. (SOR 7)

(3) 211030H L/2/9 (YD 849455) FOUND 60MM MORTAR ROUND, DESTROYED MINE. (SOR 7)

(4) 211400H K/3/9 (YD 281305) FOUND WHAT APPEARED TO BE A TELEGRAPH LINE, INSULATORS ABOUT 50 FT IN TREE, DESTROYED LINE AND RETURNING SAMPLE TO REAR. (SOR 2)

(5) 211210H H/3/9 (YD 228366) FOUND 4 STRUCTURES 30X15, 3 BUNKERS SEVERAL BOOKS PERTAINING TO MATH, HISTORY AND ENGINEERING, 100 RDS OF M16 AMMO, 1 POP-UP FLARE, 1½ LBS OF TNT, MISC NVA 782 GEAR DESTROYED BUNKERS AND RETURNING BOOKS TO S-2. (SOR 7)

4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES: FOR DAWSON RIVER AFTON:

(1) ENEMY KIA: 54

(2) DETAINEES: 133 (A) 129 BROU (B) 1 HOIC HAN (C) 3 DET.

(3) WEAPONS: ~~82~~ IWC: 7867 CSWC: 45

5-15 NEGATIVE

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SECTION: S-2 9TH MARIN/S  
 DRAFTER: J. R. DYNANT  
 RELEASEER: L. L. ECHO

IMMEDIATE 270410 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES  
 CG TASK FORCE HOTEL  
 CG THIRD MARDIV  
 FIRST BN NINTH MAR  
 SECOND BN NINTH MAR  
 THIRD BN NINTH MAR

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VIATTI | ~~SOR~~  
CCN 137

PERISHABLE INFO, DO NOT SERVICE

1. 9TH MAR INTSUM # 58 OPN DAWSON RIVER AFTON
2. 211800H - 221800H DEC 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES:

(1) 221150H, H/2/9 (YD 929449) FOUND FRESH TRACKS OF NVA/VC,  
 SOME SIGNS OF DIGGING IN AREA, ALSO FOUND 1 NVA/VC BILT SUSPENDER  
 STRAP. (SOR 7)

(2) 221500H, B/1/9 (YD 166315) FOUND APPROX 40 ENEMY ROCKET  
 ROUND CONTAINERS, (122MM), FOUND TWO BUNKERS 8X10 FT. DESTROYED  
 BUNKERS AND CONTAINERS. (SOR 7).

## 4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES FOR OPN DAWSON RIVER AFTON:

- (1) ENEMY KIA: 54
- (2) DETAINEES: 133      (A) 129 BROU      (B) 1 HOI CHAN  
                           (C) 3 DETAINEES
- (3) WEAPONS: ~~2270~~ IWC: #67 CSWC: #5

5-15 NEGATIVE

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BT TOR: 271330Z/COUR/HF/RDD/CCN: 1289 BTG: 270410Z DEC 68

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**CONFIDENTIAL****IMMEDIATE**

SECTION: S-2 9TH MARINES

DRAFTER: J. R. DINANT

RELEASER: L. L. ETCHO

IMMEDIATE 270415 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES  
 TO: CG TASK FORCE HOTEL  
 CG THIRD MARDIV  
 FIRST BN NINTH MAR  
 SECOND BN NINTH MAR  
 THIRD BN NINTH MAR

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 VPTT DDP  
 CCA 138*

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1. 9TH MAR INTSUM # 59 DAWSON RIVER AFTON  
 2. 221800H - 231800H DEC 68

**3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES**

(1) 231630H A/1/9 99 LU 9 MONTAGNARDS APPROACHED CA LU FROM THE WEST, G/2/9 WILL HOLD FOR TRANSPORTATION TO CAM LO ON THE 24TH, WILL GET ALL AVAILABLE INFORMATION AND FORWARD TO BP-2.

(2) 231410H A/1/9 (YD204284) CONTACT WITH 10-12 ENEMY, EXCHANGED SMALL ARMS FIRE WITH NEG RESULTS, ALSO FOUND A CAMP SITE AT (YD 213284) WITH 200LBS OF RICE, AND MISC NVA/VC 782 GEAR, BOOKS AND 1 CIV RADIO, DESTROYED GEAR (SOR 38).

(3) 231250H VCB (204284) RECEIVED APPROX 10-15 122MM ROCKET ROUNDS, FIRED FROM (YD 9252) IMPACT AT (YD 979498) (SOR 38)

**4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES** .3 DAWSON RIVER AFTON:

- |                |                              |              |                |
|----------------|------------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| (1) ENEMY KIA: | 54                           |              |                |
| (2) DETAINEES: | 13 <sup>3</sup>              | (A) 129 BROU | (B) 1 HONG HAN |
| (3) WEAPONS:   | <del>25</del> 7 <sup>2</sup> | IWC: 28 67   | CSWC: 3 5      |

**5-15 NEGATIVE**

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BT TDR: 271330Z/COUR/MF/CON: 1290 DTG: 270415Z DEC 68

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## IMMEDIATE

SECTION: S-2 9TH MARINES

DRAFTER: J. R. DINANT

RELEASER: L. L. ECHO

IMMEDIATE 270420Z 2 DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES  
 TO: CG TASK FORCE HOTEL  
 CG THIRD MARDIV  
 FIRST BN NINTH MAR  
 SECOND BN NINTH MAR  
 THIRD BN NINTH MAR

*TOD/270130Z DEC*  
*VIA TT*  
*CCN #139/APP*

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1. 9TH MAR INTSUM # 60 DAWSON RIVER AFTON
2. 251800H - 261800H DEC 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES

NO SIGNIFICANT ENEMY ACTION WAS REPORTED

## 4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES FOR DAWSON RIVER AFTON:

- |                |               |      |            |       |       |
|----------------|---------------|------|------------|-------|-------|
| (1) ENEMY KIA: | 54            | (B)  | 1 HOIC HAN | (C)   | 3 IAT |
| (2) DETAINEES: | 133           | (A)  | 129 BROU   | (C)   | 3 IAT |
| (3) WEAPONS:   | <del>72</del> | IWC: | 67         | CSYC: | 3     |

5-15 NEGATIVE

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## IMMEDIATE

SECTION: S-2 9TH MARINES

DRAFTER: J. J. D'ANTONI

RELEASER: L. L. STCHO

IMMEDIATE 270425 Z DEC 68

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VRATT 140  
PDL~~

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FROM: NINTH MARINES  
 TO: CG TASK FORCE HOTEL  
 CG THIRD MARDIV  
 FIRST BN NINTH MAR  
 SECOND BN NINTH MAR  
 THIRD BN NINTH MAR

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1. 9TH MAR INTSUM # 61 DAWSON RIVER AFTON

2. 241800H - 251800H DEC 68

3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES

(1) 250930H 173/9 (YD 074415) FOUND WOODEN STRUCTURE 7X5X4, 1 FIGHTING HOLE 7X5X4, 14 AXE HEADS, 1 LANTERN, AREA APPEARED TO BE APPROX 1 YR OLD, DESTROYED BUNKER AND HOLE, RETURNING WITH GEAR. (SOR 7.54)

(2) 251212H 3/9 (YD 089410) FOUND 1 STRUCTURE 13X7X4 ABOUT 5 MONTHS OLD, USED ABOUT 2 MONTHS AGO, 1 TOMATO CAN MINED APPROX 4 MONTHS OLD IN CREEK, RETURNING MINE TO REAR. (SOR 7.54)

4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES FOR DAWSON RIVER AFTON:

(1) ENEMY KIA: 54  
 (2) DETAINEES: 133 (A) 129 BROU (B) 1 HOIC HAN (C) 3 BET.  
 (3) WEAPONS: 278 IWC: 2867 CSWC: 5

5-15 NEGATIVE

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ON: S-2 9TH MARINES

DRAFTER: P. W. LEACH

RELEASER: L. L. ETCHO

IMMEDIATE 271150 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES HAS BEEN SENT  
TO: CG TASK FORCE HOTEL A/R G-3  
CG THIRD MARDIV  
FIRST BN NINTH MAR  
SECOND BN NINTH MAR  
THIRD BN NINTH MAR

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1. 9TH MAR INTSUM # 1 OPN DAWSON RIVER
2. 251800H - 261800H DEC 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES:

NO SIGNIFICANT ENEMY ACTIVITY IN THE NINTH MARINES AO THIS PERIOD.

## 4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES FOR OPN DAWSON RIVER:

- (1) ENEMY KIA: 0
- (2) DETAINEES: 0
- (3) WEAPONS: 0

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SECTION: S-2 NINTH MARINES

DRAFTER: *P. W. Leach*RELEASER: *L. E. Etcho*IMMEDIATE 281652 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES  
 TO: CG TASK FORCE HOTEL  
 CG THIRD MARDIV  
 FIRST BN NINTH MAR  
 SECOND BN NINTH MAR  
 THIRD BN NINTH MAR

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1. 9TH MAR INTSUM # 2 OPN DAWSON RIVER
2. 261800H - 271800H DEC 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES:

NO SIGNIFICANT ENEMY ACTIVITY REPORTED IN THE NINTH MARINES AO FOR THIS PERIOD.

## 4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES FOR DAWSON RIVER:

- (1) ENEMY KIA: 0
- (2) DETAINES: 0
- (3) WEAPONS: 0

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*CCN VIA TT #39 of*

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FM NINTH MARINES  
TO ZEN/CG TASK FORCE HOTEL  
CG THIRD MAR DIV  
FIRST BN NINTH MAR  
SECOND BN NINTH MAR  
THIRD BN NINTH MAR  
BT

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PERISHABLE INFO, DO NOT SERVICE  
1. 9TH MAR INTSUM #3 OPN DAWSON RIVER  
2. 271800H-281800H DEC 68  
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES  
NO SIGNIFICANT ENEMY ACTIVITY REPORTED IN THE NINTH MARINES  
AO FOR THIS PERIOD.

4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES FOR DAWSON RIVER:  
(1) ENEMY KIA: 0  
(2) DETAINEES: 0  
(3) WEAPONS: 0

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SECTION: S-2 9TH MARINES  
 DRAFTER: J. R. D. D. M. N. A. N. T.  
 RELEASEER: L. L. ECHO

IMMEDIATE 30 11 26 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES  
 TO: CG TASK FORCE HOTEL  
 CG THIRD MARDIV  
 FIRST BN NINTH MAR  
 SECOND BN NINTH MAR  
 THIRD BN NINTH MAR

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1. 9TH MAR IWT SUM # 4 OPN DAWSON RIVER
2. 281600H - 291800H DEC 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES:

NO SIGNIFICANT ENEMY ACTIVITIES REPORTED IN THE NINTH MARINES AO FOR THIS PERIOD.

4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES FOR DAWSON RIVER.

- (1) ENEMY KIA: 0
- (2) DETAINES: 0
- (3) WEAPONS: 0

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SECTION: S-2 9TH MARINES

DRAFTER: *J. R. D'Inant*

RELEASER: L. L. ECHO

IMMEDIATE 311647 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES  
 TO: CG TASK FORCE HOTEL  
 CG THIRD MARDIV  
 FIRST BN NINTH MAR  
 SECOND BN NINTH MAR  
 THIRD BN NINTH MAR

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PERISHABLE INFO, DO NOT SERVICE

1. 9TH MAR INTSUM # 5 OPI DAWSON RIVER
2. 291800H - 301800H DEC 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES

(1) 301300H 1/3/69 (YD 081415) FOUND IN VIC (YD 081415) 5 STRUCTURES MADE OF PALM LEAVES 15X16X10, 1 STRUCTURE APPEARED TO BE A MESS HALL CONTAINING 2 TABLES, SEATING APPROX 33 MEN, STRUCTURES WERE APPROX 6 MONTHS OLD, DESTROYED STRUCTURES (SOR ?)

## 4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES FOR DAWSON RIVER:

- (1) ENEMY KIA: 0
- (2) DETAINEES: 0
- (3) WEAPONS: 0

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*TOD / 311830Z DEC 68*

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SECTION: S-2 9TH MARINES  
 DRAFTER: P. W. LEACH  
 RELEASER: L. L. ECHO

IMMEDIATE 311649 Z DEC 68

FROM: NINTH MARINES  
 TO: CG TASK FORCE HOTEL  
 CG THIRD MARDIV  
 FIRST BN, NINTH MAR  
 SECOND BN NINTH MAR  
 THIRD BN NINTH MAR

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PERISHABLE INFO, DO NOT SERVICE

1. 9TH MAR INTSUM # 6 OPN DAWSON RIVER
2. 301800H - 311800H DEC 68
3. SUMMARY OF ENEMY ACTIVITIES

NO SIGNIFICANT ENEMY ACTIVITY REPORTED IN THE NINTH MARINES AO FOR THIS PERIOD.

4. CUMULATIVE LOSSES FOR DAWSON RIVER:

- (1) ENEMY KIA: 0
- (2) DETAINEES: 0
- (3) WEAPONS: 0

*TOD/311808 Z DEC 68*

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*TOD/311830Z DEC 68*

TOD; VIA TT/311030Z/DEC68/CON-1511/ERB/DTG:311049/

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Tab D (Orders)

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2. Frag 0 124-68, 22 Dec 68
3. Frag 0 125-68, 25 Dec 68
4. Frag 0 126-68, 26 Dec 68
5. Frag 0 127-68, N/D
6. Frag 0 128-68, 27 Dec 68
7. Frag 0 129-68, 30 Dec 68
8. Operation Order 1-69 (Operation DAWSON RIVER WEST), 30 Dec 68

SECRET COPY OF FIELD MESSAGE

8 DECEMBER 1968

FRAG O 121-68

FROM: HQ CO, 9TH MARINES  
TO: 1/9, 2/9, A/3/9

1. SITUATION: NO CHANGE
2. MISSION: NO CHANGE
3. EXECUTION:

A. FOR 1/9.

- (1) CONTINUE ASSIGNED MISSION.

B. FOR 2/9.

- (1) CONTINUE ASSIGNED MISSION.
- (2) PROVIDE SECURITY FOR VCB, CA LU, CATES, 950, 691
- (3) MAINTAIN COMPANY SIZE REACTION FORCE AT VCB.
- (4) a. BE PREPARED TO COMMIT 1 COMPANY REINFORCED WITH DIRECT SUPPORT ENGINEERS & SECTION OF OP'S. AT 090800H, UTILIZE BALD EAGLE.  
b. CONDUCT HELOLIFT INTO LZ AT YD 7411403. LZ SECURED BY CENTIPEDE (RECON TEAM).  
c. ENTER BUNKER COMPLEX AT YD 746396.  
d. EXTRACT AND/OR DESTROY ORDNANCE CACHE AND BUNKERS.  
e. INTENTIONS TO EXTRACT PRIOR TO DARK ON 09 DECEMBER.

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2. CARRY 2 DAY SUPPLY OF RATIONS & WATER.

3. MAXIMUM DEMO REQUIRED.

C. FOR K/3/9.

- (1) CONTINUE ASSIGNED MISSION, AND CONTINUE TO EXPLOIT TRAIL COMPLEX.
- (2) ENTER AND LIGHT STRIKE DATE, SUBMIT BDA, NLT 092200H.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS: NO CHANGE

5. COMINT AND COMMUNICATIONS: NO CHANGE

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COPY OF FIELD MESSAGE 22 Dec 68

FRAG O 124-68 REF (A) CG, 3D MAR DIV MSG 160232Z  
REF (B) COMUS MACV MSG 181330Z

1. SITUATION. NO CHANGE

2. MISSION. NO CHANGE

3. EXECUTION.

A. 1/9

(1) CONTINUE ASSIGNED MISSION.

B. 2/9

(1) CONTINUE ASSIGNED MISSION EXCEPT AS FOLLOWS:

(A) AT 231200H YOU ARE RELIEVED OF SPARROW  
HAWK/BALD EAGLE.

(B) DURING THE PERIOD 23-26DEC 68 COND AMB OPS  
BETWN CA LU AND 9442 GS. INCLUSIVE OF THAT  
GRID SQ ALONG RT 9.

C. 3/9

(1) CONT ASSIGNED MISSION.

(A) AS OF 231200H DEC 68 EST AND ASSUME RESPONS  
FOR SPARROW HAWK/BALD EAGLE IAW REF A.

4. COORD INST.

(1) INST SET FORTH IN REF B APPLIED DURING XMAS CEASE  
FIRE 241800H AND 251800H.

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COPY OF FIELD MESSAGE 25 DEC 68

FRAG O 125-68

1. SITUATION. DUE TO RECENT ENEMY ACTIVITY ROCKET ATTACK, SENSOR READINGS AND CHANGE IN CIVILIAN POPULACE VIC CA LU, IT IS NECESSARY TO CONDUCT OFFENSIVE OPS PATROL ACTIVITY OUTSIDE THE VCB COMPLEX AS TROOP AVAILABILITY PERMITS.

2. MISSION. NO CHANGE

3. EXECUTION.

A. 1/9

(1) AT 260700H RELIEVE 3/9 OF THE SPARROW HAWK/BALD EAGLE REQUIREMENT DIV OP ORDER 44/68 APPLIES.

(2) PROVIDE SECURITY PLT FOR SPECIAL CONVOY DEPARTING FOR DONG HA ON 26 DEC 68 AND RETURNING TO VCB ON 27 DEC 68.

(3) CONDUCT 2 DAY COMPANY SIZE PATROL IN TEMPORARY AO WEST OF VCB.

(4) CONDUCT 2 DAY COMPANY (-) PATROL INTO AND THROUGH THE VILLAGES SE OF CA LU - UTILIZE NIGHT AMBUSHES AS APPROPRIATE.

B. 2/9

(1) CONTINUE ASSIGNED MISSION

C. 3/9

(1) MOVE BY MOTOR MARCH/BOAT TO BEACH FOR 2 DAY REC PERIOD CHOP TO TF B ON ARRIVAL.

D. COORD INST.

(1) BOUNDARY CHANGE PASEP EFF 260500H DEC 68.

(2) DIR LIAISON BETWN 1/9 & 2/9 IS AUTH FOR COORD MOVEMENTS.

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COPY OF FIELD MESSAGE 26 DEC 68

FRAG O 126-68

1. SITUATION. NO CHANGE
2. MISSION. NO CHANGE
3. EXECUTION.

A. 1/9

- (1) CONT ASSIGNED MSN.
- (2) CANCEL HELO ASSAULT.
- (3) CHOP G/2/9 TO 2/9 UPON RECEIPT THIS MSG.
- (4) AT 271200H ASSUME OPCON OF D/1/9.
- (5) CONT PREP FOR MOTOR/BOAT MARCH TO CUA VIET ON 28 DEC. UPON ARRIVAL CHOP TO TF BRAVO.

B. 2/9

- (1) CONT ASSIGNED MSN.
- (2) WITH L CO(②) RELEIVE D/1/9 AT TSL AT 271200H UPON  
RELEAF OF TSL CHOP CO(+) TO TSL TO 4TH MAR.

4. ADMIN & LOGISTICS. NO CHANGE

5. COMMAND & COMM. NO CHANGE

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## COPY OF FIELD MESSAGE

FRAG O 127-68

1. SITUATION. DUE TO ENEMY ACTIVITY IN VIC OF VCB OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS IN THE IMMEDIATE VIC WILL BE CONDUCTED.

2. MISSION. NO CHANGE

3. EXECUTION.

A. 2/9

- (1) CONT ASSIGNED MSN.
- (2) RESUME SECURITY OF CA LU.
- (3) YOU ARE RELIEVED OF RESPONSIBILITY OF SPARROW HAWK/BALD EAGLE.
- (4) WHEN RELIEVED BY 3/9 RETURN FORCES AT CATES, HILL 950 AND 691, SIGNAL HILL AND FSB HENDERSON TO VCB.
- (5) CONT PREPARATION TO DEPART VCB ON 30 DEC FOR CUA VIET. UPON ARRIVAL CUA VIET CHOP TO TFB.

B. 3/9

- (1) ON 29 DEC 3/9(-) WILL MAKE A HELO ASSAULT ON HILL 660 AND A HELILIFT INTO FSB BBDCOMB.
- (2) ON 29 DEC ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR SPARROW HAWK/BALD EAGLE AT VCB, CHOP OPCON OF SPARROW HAWK TO TFH.
- (3) WITH 1 COMPANY PROVIDE SECURITY AT FSB CATES AND HILL 691 AND 950.
- (4) WITH 1 COMPANY PROVIDE SECURITY AT SIGNAL HILL AND FSB HENDERSON.
- (5) IN ALL SECURITY MSNS 2/9 WILL BE RELIEVED IN PLACE BY 3/9.

C. CORD INST.

- (1) DIRECT LIAISON IS AUTH.

4. ADMIN AND LOGISTICS. NO CHANGE

5. COMMAND AND COMM. NO CHANGE

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1. SITUATION. NO CHANGE

2. MISSION. NO CHANGE

3. EXECUTION.

A. 1/9

- (1) ON 27 DEC PROCEDE BY MOTOR/BOAT MARCH TO CUA VIET UPON ARRIVAL CHOP TO TF BRAVO.
- (2) SPARROW HAWK/BALD EAGLE IS RELIEVED AT 280800H DEC 68.

B. 2/9

- (1) CONTINUE ASSIGNED MISSION.
- (2) YOU ARE RELIEVED OF DEFENSE AT VCB ON 291600H DEC 68 BY 3/9.
- (3) ON 28 DEC SEARCH AREA INDICATED PASEP.

B. 3/9

- (1) BY 291600H DEC 68 ASSUME MISSIONS OF 2/9 AS INDICATED.

- (A) 2 PLT AT VCB (BASE DEF)
- (B) 1 PLT TO HILL 950.
- (C) 2 PLT TO CA LU.
- (D) 1 PLT TO SIGNAL HILL
- (E) 1 ~~XXXXXX~~ COMPANY TO TSL CHOP TO 4TH MAR.
- (F) 1 COMPANY TO FSB CATES & HILL 691.

4. CORD INST.

- (1) DIRECT LIAISON IN SUTH BETWN 3/9 & 2/9 FOR THE RELEASE.

5. ADMIN AND LOGISTICS. NO CHANGE

6. COMMAND AND COMM. NO CHANGE

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COPY OF FIELD MESSAGE 30 DEC 68

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1. SITUATION. NO CHANGE

2. MISSION. NO CHANGE

3. EXECUTION.

A. 1/9

- (1) CHOP 1 COMPANY TO 4TH MAR UPON ARRIVAL TO ECB.
- (2) TEMPORARILY ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR SECURITY OF VCB, CA LU AND PROVIDE A SPARROW HAWK/BALD EAGLE AT VCB BY 301600H.

B. 2/9

- (1) REHAB
- (2) CHOP SECURITY FORCES ON SIGNAL HILL TO 1/9.

C. 3/9

- (1) PROVIDE ADDITIONAL PLATOON TO FSB CATES.
- (2) SPARROW HAWK IS DISSOLVED.
- (3) ON 31 DEC 68 CHOP 1 RIFLE CO TO 1/9 AT VCB.
- (4) ON 31 DEC 68 CHOP 1 RIFLE CO TO 2/9 AT VCB.
- (5) AT 301000H DEC ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR SECURITY OF FSB CATES, HILL 691 AND 950.
- (6) COMMENCE CLEARING OPERATIONS FROM FSB CATES ON 31 DEC 68.

4. COORD INST.

- (1) 3/9 SECURITY FORCES ON SIGNAL HILL CHOP FROM 2/9 TO 1/9 TEMPORARILY AT 301000H.
- (2) ONE DIRECT SUPPORT BATTERY WILL OCCUPY FSB CATES ON 31 DEC 68.

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Ref: (a) Maps: L7014 VIETNAM, Sheets 6342 II, III

Time Zone: H

Task Organization.

Hq Co (-) 9th Mar	Col BARROW
Det, 7th IFT	
Det, 3rd SP Bn	
Det, 1st MP Bn	
1st Bn, 9th Mar (Rein)	LtCol SMITH
2nd Bn, 9th Mar (Rein)	LtCol FOX
3rd Bn, 9th Mar (-) (Rein)	LtCol LAINE
2nd Bn, 12th Mar (Rein)	LtCol SCOPPA
Co C, 3rd Engg Bn	1stLt SWINSON

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. (See Annex A)

b. Friendly Forces.

(1) Task Force Hotel conducts multi-regimental operations in the DAWSON RIVER and LANCASTER II AO.

(2) 2nd Bn, 12th Marines direct support; 12th Marines (Rein) General support.

(3) 1st MAW provides helicopter and fixed wing air support.

(4) 7th Air Force provides tactical air support.

(5) 2nd ARVN Regiment will conduct operation to the south of 9th Marines AO.

2. MISSION. At L-Hour on D-Day, 9th Marines (-)(Rein), in coordination and cooperation with the 2nd ARVN Regiment will conduct offensive operations into the area generally west of KHE SAEN to the Laotian border and north of Route 9 in order to kill, capture or destroy the enemy, his supplies and facilities.

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3. EXECUTION.e. Concept of Operations.

(1) Commencing at L-Hour on D-Day the 9th Marines (-)(Rein) conducts a rapid heliborne assault simultaneously into multiple landing zones, secured by Recon teams, near the Laotian border, committing all available forces, and conducting detailed clearing operations to the east in cooperation and coordination with the 2nd ARVN Regiment.

b. 1st Bn (Rein).

(1) At L-Hour on D-Day conduct heliborne assault to assist in establishing FSB GEIGER, vicinity XD 745440.

(2) On D-Day conduct heliborne assaults consecutively into LZ BAGPIPE, vicinity XD 692445, LZ COPPER, vicinity XD 706440 and LZ SIELENANDOAH, vicinity XD 688420. LZ GRAND, vicinity XD 686455 and LZ PUFF, vicinity XD 709428, are designated alternate LZ's.

c. 2nd Bn (Rein).

(1) At L-Hour on D-Day conduct heliborne assault to seize, secure and assist in establishing FSB SMITH vicinity XD 789383.

(2) On D-Day conduct heliborne assaults consecutively into LZ RICK, vicinity XD 719380 and LZ CRYSTAL, vicinity XD 754367. LZ DEAD EYE, vicinity XD 707384, and LZ SUNBEAM, vicinity XD 774370 are designated alternate landing zones.

d. 3rd Bn (-)(Rein).

(1) On order chop 1 rifle company to 2nd Bn and 1 rifle company to 1st Bn.

(2) Provide security for FSB CATES, HILLS 691 and 950.

(3) Conduct clearing operations in AO from FSB CATES.

e. 2nd Bn, 12th Marines (Rein).

(1) On D-2 rehabilitate and occupy with 1 battery FSB CATES.

(2) On D-Day establish and occupy FSB GEIGER and FSB SMITH.

f. Co C, 3rd Engr Bn.

(1) Provide close combat support, develop FSB's and pioneer helicopter LZ's as required.

g. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) See Operations Overlay (Annex B).

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- (2) Thwart Points (Annex M)  
 (3) Submit Siege Flags by 1200 1 day prior for CH-46 support.  
 (4) Submit Fixed Wing by 0930 1 day prior.  
 (5) Submit ZIPPO request by 1200 1 day prior.  
 (6) D-Day TBA.  
 (7) L-Hour TBA.  
 (8) Duration of operation approximately 10 days.  
 (9) Submit Spot Reports ASAP as priority traffic.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS.

- a. Annex M.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS.

- a. Command Posts.

- (1) 9th Marines initially at VCB then TBA.  
 (2) All units notify this Bg when CP's are relocated.

- b. Communications-Electronics.

- (1) See Annex P.

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ANNEXES:

- A. Intelligence  
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## Annex A (Intelligence) to Operation Order 1-69

Ref: Maps: AMS Series L7014, Sheets 6342 II, III, IV  
 Scale 1:50,000

## 1. SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION

a. Situation: Information on enemy forces in the AO is obscure. No major sightings or contacts have been made in the past six months. Probable enemy in the area consist of transportation and rear area personnel.

b. Capabilities: Although no enemy units can be identified in the Dawson River AO or neighboring Laos, the existence of enemy ground and artillery units is possible. The last known incident of rocket fire originated in the CO ROC area in June. Agent reports from mid-December, although rated F-6, report an unidentified Division moving from NVN south through Laos.

c. Fortifications: A compilation of fortifications disseminated from various members of the intelligence community was issued to Battalions and supporting units in overlay form.

## 2. ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF INFORMATION

a. What are the locations, strengths, and dispositions of enemy units within the area of operation?

b. What installations have the enemy established, to include arms caches, supply facilities, base camps, training areas, command posts and observation points?

c. Has the enemy prepared any defensive positions to include mine fields, trench systems, wire defense or any other type defensive system? If so, where and to what extent.

d. What screening activities has the enemy been employing and has there been an increase in his patrol activities?

e. Has there been any significant movement of enemy troops either in or out of the area of operation? If so, where, and what armament and materials?

f. What supply and resupply routes and methods are the enemy employing? Are there any indications of the use of draught animals?

g. Has the enemy obtained any new types of arms? If so, what, when, and how is it employed?

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## 3. MEASURES FOR HANDLING PERSONNEL, DOCUMENTS AND MATERIEL

a. Prisoners of war, Chieu Hoi, and detainees will not be separated from their personal gear. They will be immediately segregated and tagged. Notify 9th Marines Headquarters (S-2) immediately upon apprehension so as to expedite disposition.

b. All captured materiel and documents will be tagged showing the following:

- (1) Capturing unit
- (2) Date captured
- (3) Coordinates where captured
- (4) Under what circumstances

c. Captured documents will not be separated from container in which found. Immediate notification of capture will expedite evacuation and translation.

d. Captured materiel will be forwarded as soon as possible. War trophies will be tagged with capturing individual's name, rank, and service number and organization and forwarded to this Headquarters.

## 4. MISCELLANEOUS INSTRUCTIONS

a. Submit overlays of all roads and trails in order to update map sheets.

b. Accurate reports will be submitted on enemy caches, base camps, and fortifications to verify and update target lists.

c. All units will comply with 3rdMarDiv message 251256ZSep68 (U). Only weapons and materiel classified as war trophies will be returned to capturing personnel. All other materiel will be forwarded to higher headquarters.

## 5. TERRAIN

Description of area: The area is a combination of rolling hills and rugged mountains with a high elevation of 969 meters at Grid coordinate XD 676457. Vegetation varies from elephant grass and brushwood in the southern portion of the AO to elephant grass, brushwood and single canopied forest in the northern portion. Soil of red clay composition affords good drainage.

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## 6. WEATHER

During the month of January the downward trend in temperatures which has continued since August halts, and temperatures may rise somewhat though only a few degrees during the month. Low visibility continues as does cool weather, dampness, mist and drizzle. Surface visibilities are best during afternoons.

Average high temperature: 71°

Average low temperature: 56°

Highest rainfall recorded during January: 4.7 inches

Days with rainfall recorded during January: 6

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Annex C (Fire Support Coordination) to Operation Order 1-69

- Ref 3 (a) Maps: VIETNAM 1:700K, Sheet 6312 IX, III, IV and  
6313 IV.
- (b) CG, 3d Mar Div LOI 1-67
- (c) FMFM 7-1 (Fire Support Coordination)

Time Zone: E

### 1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces. Annex A (Intelligence), Current Intents and Perimeters.

#### b. Friendly Forces.

- (1) 9th Marines conducts multi-battalion operation in DAWSON RIVER WEST AO.
- (2) 2nd Bn, 12th Marines (Rein) provides direct support fires in AO.
- (3) 7th USAF provides tactical air support.
- (4) 1st MAW provides helo and fixed wing air support.
- (5) 2nd ARVN Regiment will operate to the south of the 9th Marines AO on D+2.

c. Attachments and Detachments. None.

### 2. MISSION.

a. At 1400 on D-Day 9th Marines with 3 infantry battalions conducts a coordinated helo operation in the DAWSON RIVER WEST AO to seek out, fire and annihilate enemy forces, find and destroy supply/logistic caches and interdict infiltration routes in the objective area.

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**C. Supporting Air and Artillery plan for close and continuous fire support to 9th Marines.**

(1) Concept of Operations. The battalions conduct a helo assault into the western portion of the objective area, while the 3rd battalion conducts operations in the eastern portion of the AO. There will be no preparatory fires. Subsequent helicopter/ground attacks will continue generally from west to east firing and annihilating the enemy, disrupting his infiltration/supply routes and destroying his caches. See Annex B (Operation Overlay) to Operation Order 1-69.

(2) Air Support. (omitted)

(3) Artillery Support. Annex D (Artillery) to Operation Order 1-69.

(4) Coordinating Instructions.

(a) D-Day 2 Jan 69.

(b) L-Hour 0730H.

(c) Duration of operation approximately 10 days.

(d) When contact is made, assault will not be attempted until supporting arms have been employed, clear air fire superiority has been achieved, and the enemy has been reduced.

(e) Boundaries serve as fire coordination lines between converging battalions.

(f) Infantry battalions submit desired no fire lines daily at 1830H to 9th Marines.

(g) 9th Marines controls all aircraft in 9th Marines AO.

(h) All artillery fire in the AO through 9th Marines FSCC.

(i) Artillery and air representatives make maximum efforts to coordinate at lowest echelon simultaneous air and artillery activity.

(j) Infantry battalions coordinate 60mm and 82mm mortars directly with adjacent battalions 10 missions plots within 500 meters of boundary.

(k) 9th Marines FSCC obtains clearances for all missions (air and artillery) which plot within 100 meters of 9th Marines boundary.

(l) Firing units and required observers maintain air sentry when firing. Check fire when aircraft observed approaching danger areas.

(m) Smoke and illumination will not be fired without approval of 9th Marines FSCC.

**D. ADMINISTRATION and LOGISTICS.** See Annex E (Administration and Logistics) to Operation Order 1-69.

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5. COMMAND and COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS.

a. See Annex F (Communications-Electronics) to Operation Order 1-69.

b. 9th Marines FSCC located initially at VCB.

c. 2/12 FDC located initially at VCB.

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## Annex D (Artillery) to Operation Order 1-69

- Ref: (a) Maps: L7014 VIETNAM, Sheets 6342 II, III, IV and 6341 IV.  
 (b) CG, 3d Mar Div LOI 1-67.  
 (c) FMFM 7-4.  
 (d) FM 6-40.  
 (e) 12th Marines Regimental O 3000.1G (SOP for Operations and Gunnery).  
 (f) 2nd Dn, 12th Marines O 3000.1F (SOP for Operations and Gunnery).  
 (g) Firing chart: Grid sheet Scale 1:25,000.

Time Zone: H

1. SITUATION.

- a. Enemy Forces. Annex A and Intsns
- b. Friendly Forces.
  - (1) 1st MAW provides helicopter support.
  - (2) 7th Air Force provides fixed wing support.

2. MISSION. 2nd Bn, 12th Marines provides close and continuous fire support to maneuver elements.

3. EXECUTION.

- a. Concept of artillery employment.
  - (1) 2nd Bn, 12th Marines (Rein) Direct Support for 9th Marines.
  - (2) Artillery support will be provided upon occupation of FSB GEIGER and FSB SMITH (L+30).
- b. D Battery.
  - (1) Initially occupy position at CA LU.
  - (2) Be prepared to displace to FSB SMITH to provide close continuous fire support throughout 9th Marines AO.
  - (3) Recon lands L-Hour.
- c. E Battery.
  - (1) Initially occupy position at CA LU.

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(2) Be prepared to displace to FSB GEIGER to provide close continuous fire support throughout 9th Marines AO.

(3) Recon land L-Hour.

d. F Battery.

(1) Initially occupy position at FSB HENDERSON.

(2) Be prepared to displace to FSB CATES, D-2, to provide close continuous fire support throughout 9th Marines AO.

e. Mortar Battery.

(1) Remain at present position VCB and provide on-call fires.

f. 1st PROV.

(1) Initially occupy position at CA LU.

(2) Be prepared to displace to FSB SMITH to provide reinforcing fires throughout 9th Marines AO.

g. 3rd PROV.

(1) Initially occupy position at FSB CATES.

(2) Be prepared to displace to FSB GEIGER to provide reinforcing fires throughout 9th Marines AO.

h. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Position Areas and Fire Caps: Appendix 1  
(Position areas and fire capabilities)

(2) Counter Mortar/Battery: GS and DS artillery.  
Policy active. Units receiving incoming arty/rockets/ mortar fires report ASAP IAW ref (e).

(3) Registrations: No restrictions.

(4) "Fire in" night defensive fires prior to darkness.

(5) Use following techniques as necessary:

(a) At my command method of control by FC's.

(b) High-angle fire.

(c) Restrictive fire plans.

(d) Helo approach/retirement lanes.

4. ADMINISTRATION and LOGISTICS.

a. See Annex E (Administration and Logistics) to Operations Order 1-69.

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## ANNEX E (Administration and Logistics) to Operation Order 1-69

Ref: (a) Maps: L7014 VIETNAM, Sheets 6342 II, III

1. SUPPLY.a. General.

- (1) VCB source of supply for classes I, III, IV and V.
- (2) PLSG-BRAVO, DONG HA source of supply for class II.

b. Supplies and equipment available.

- (1) 10 days supply, all classes.

c. Control and distribution.

- (1) Supply point distribution.

d. Prescribed loads.

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| (1) Class I      | 2 days MCI<br>2 days LRPR<br>(Long Range Patrol Rations (LRPR's)<br>are for emergency use only and will<br>not be consumed without authority<br>from this headquarters-all unused<br>LRPR's will be returned to the LSU<br>on completion of the Operation) |
| (2) Class II     | As prescribed by unit commanders,<br>Essential items only.   |
| (3) Class III&IV | As required.   |
| (4) Class V      | Basic allowance plus 1 DOA.  |
| (5) Water        | Carry maximum water-utilize natural<br>sources to maximum extent possible.   |

e. Resupply.

- (1) Helm resupply from VCB primary source.
- (2) Units locate sufficient personnel at LSA-VCB to draw, stage and control supplies.
- (3) Emergency requests for resupply must be certified by the Battalion Commander and approved by this headquarters.

2. EVACUATION and HOSPITALIZATION.a. Evacuation.

- (1) Casualties will be evacuated via Co C, 3rd Med Bn, VCB.

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b. Hospitalization.

- (1) As directed by 3rd Med Bn.

3. TRANSPORTATION.a. Vehicles.

- (1) Organic vehicles to maximum extent possible.

(2) Main supply route (MSR) Route 9, is a controlled route for convoys only.

b. Air (Helicopters).

(1) Mark resupply landing zones with air panels or colored smoke.

(2) EST personnel in LZ must wear air panel or other distinguishing device.

4. SERVICE.

a. Normal service support activities available at VCB. Minimum essential to the accomplishment of the mission.

5. MISCELLANEOUS.

## a. Reports

(1) Daily logistic report (LOGREP) will be turned into Regimental S-4 at the conclusion of daily resupply. Ref: Reg 0 4000.2.

(2) Expedite return of water cans, helicopter slings, nets and cables to VCB, LSA.

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Annex F (Communication-Electronics) to Operation Order 1-69

Ref: (a) Third Mar Div COI (Dir O PO2000,2G)

Time Zone: H

1. SITUATION.

a. Enemy Forces.

- (1) See Annex A (Intelligence) to Operation Order 1-69.
- (2) The enemy has the capability to:
  - (a) Conduct electronics countermeasures and electronics counter-counter measures.
  - (b) Insert deceptive traffic on any communication channel.
  - (c) Intercept all transmissions over radio-relay circuits.

b. Friendly Forces.

- (1) See Operation Order 1-69.
- (2) An AN/MRC-62 Radio Relay Team from Comm Co, Hq Bn, 3rd Mar Div will be attached to Hq, 9th Marines.
- (3) Command Posts.

- (a) All command posts locations will be reported as established.

2. MISSION. Commencing on D-1, communication elements of the 9th Marines will provide communication and electronics support for the landing and subsequent operations in the DAWSON RIVER WEST AO.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Radio.

- (1) A radio team consisting of two radio operators and one technician will be inserted on Hill 950 on D-1 for the purpose of establishing a radio-relay station. The team will establish communication on Reg Tac 1 and Reg Tac 2 with cipher capability on either net.
- (2) Tactical call signs and frequencies in accordance with reference (a) except as modified by this Annex.

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b. Wire.

- (1) Switchboard service as required.

c. Integrated Wire-Radio Relay.

(1) An AN/MRC-62 Radio Relay Terminal will be used by Sq, 9th Marines with the following channelisation:

- (a) Channel 1 - Common user
- (b) Channel 2 - COC hotline
- (c) Channel 3 - Common user
- (d) Channel 4 - FSCC hotline

(2) Common user lines will terminate at the 9th Marines switchboard at VCB.

- (3) Hotlines will terminate at TF Hotel COC.

d. Messenger Service.

(1) Messenger service for 9th Marines will be established as required.

e. Air Support Communications.

(1) Initial landings will be controlled on frequencies as follows:

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|--|--------|------|
| (a) LZ's in 1st Bn AO will use   | M-421  | 44.1 |
| (b) LZ's in 2nd Bn AO will use   | M-933  | 45.8 |
| (c) FSB SMITH will use   | M-416  | 31.0 |
| (d) FSB GEIGER will use  | M-1213 | 35.7 |
| (e) Frequencies will revert to uses in accordance with reference (a) on D-H. |        |      |

f. Artillery Communications.

- (1) In accordance with reference (a).

g. Coordination Instructions.

(1) Battalions will take necessary precautions to guard against adverse weather effects on all radio equipment.

(2) Linking cables and map file sheets and KA-3241 envelopes to be carried as required.

(3) RC-292 and/or Log Periodic antennas will be provided and used by the battalion CP groups.

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III. ADMINISTRATIVE AND LOGISTICS

- a. Emergency power will be granted to Bg. Cpt. Martinez  
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BEERS	7147	COINS	8035
DOGS	7341	CLOTHING	9743
GIRLS NAMES	7603	SOAPS	9951
MAGAZINES	7650	WEAPONS	9945
CIGARS	7838	OCEANS	0250
COLLEGES	8024	RETIREMENTS	0344
FURNITURE	8240	MONKS	0943
FRUITS	8313	COLORS	1029
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1st Bn, 9th Marines	2
2nd Bn, 9th Marines	2
3rd Bn, 9th Marines	2
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8. Boundary Change, 132400H Dec 68
9. Boundary Change, 181230H Dec 68
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