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1st Bn 12th Inf  
 FSB UTE (BR356708)  
 241700 July 1970

Situation Report #261

Period covered: 230001-232400 July 1970

Reference: Map RVN, 1:50,000, Sheets 663711, 6737111, 6737IV, 6637III.

1. Enemy: Elements of the C2 407 Sapper Bn cont to operate in small 3-5 man teams and cont to maintain surveillance of friendly units in AO APPLE.

2. Own Situation:

a. Forward elements are mobile in AO. 1-12 Inf (TF NAVAJO) cont opn PUTNAM PARAGON with Bn CP located at FSB UTE, (BR356708).

b. Description and results of operations:

(1). Co. A continued construction security & training mission at FSB UTE. Conducted local RIF's with neg findings. At 1410 Scrolls 19 hunter killer team Vic 288668 spotted 10 indiv. G. S. expended and an immediate air strike was flown. 3/A was alerted for 15 min. reaction. G. S. reported receiving G/A fire. At 1510 Major Garrett was airborne in Hornet 44 to control insertion of 3/A. The first PZ was 1535, final PZ 1539. Hornet 44 continued VR of area where Scrolls 19 received G/A fire and directed suppressive fires from G/S while hovering low over area of LZ. At 1547 1st and last LZ for 3/A. Hornet 44 continued to fly over SEL and directed 3/A to that location. 75 meters SW of LZ 3/A found one NVA rucksack, picked it up and continued to move toward S. E. L. At this time 3/A found 1 more rucksack and at the same time saw 1 NVA moving towards their left flank, wearing green fatigues, pitch helmet, carrying a pistol. 3/A employed S/A resulting in 1 NVA KIA, 1pistol CIA and documents identifying indiv. as an NVA officer. From this same location 3/A spotted another indiv. wearing green fatigues; carrying an unidentified wpn. 3/A again employed S/A and received a few rounds return fire. Indiv. fell and was believed to have been killed. Before 3/A could sweep the S. E. L. they heard movement to the N., S. and West. They moved to high ground Vic 294662 and employed artillery around their position. Will sweep S. E. L. at first light. 1/A and CP was then alerted to be inserted to reinforce 3/A. At 1852 first and last PZ for A Co. (-). Hornet 44 remained on station at LZ and directed G. S. prep and then went into the LZ to mark it with smoke. Final LZ for A Co. (-) Hornet 44 direct A Co. (-) to move on an az. of 240° to attempt link-up with 3/A. At 1915 the point man for A Co. (-) observed 1 individual wearing black PJ's, HCM sandals carrying an AK-47. At 10m the pointman initiated S/A fire killing individual immediately results, 1NVA KIA, 1AK47 CIA,

Individual was killed between the LZ (293662) and 3/A location (294662). As A Co (-) could not effect link-up before dark Hornet 44 stopped on station to guide A Co.(-) to 3/A with his light. While guiding A Co (-) he received G/A fire sustaining 2 hits, but stayed to direct fires for gunships to allow A Co. (-) and 3/A to link up. Hornet 44 then landed at A Co's night location to backhaul valuable intelligence documents captured by 3/A. While picking up documents 44 received more S/A fire, neg. hits. At 2110 shadow 46 came in station and expended on movement around A Co's night location Vic 294662.

(2). B Co. cont. S&C and ambush operations in AO SKIP to interdict the SONG BA infiltration corridor. Vic 327757 1/B found a trail, 18" wide,

cont: visible from the air, neg. recent use. Also Vic 324757 found a trail 18" wide, visible from air, last use 24 hrs. by undetermined no. of indiv.

(3) C Co. cont. golf course security at Camp Radcliffe.

(4) D Co. cont. S&C and amb. operations against C2/407 sapper Bn. Vic 347625 found 1 bunker 3x5x4 with 2' overhead, 1 hootch 6x8x5, 6-8 mos old, neg. recent use. At same location found 4 trails AZ 140°, 300°, 220°, 020°, 1ft. wide, visible from air, last use 3-4 mos.

(5) Recon continued amb. and patrolling opns. in southern portion of AO SKIP. Vic 339711 found a trail 18" wide, AZ 220°, not visible from air, last use 4-5 mos. old, by undetermined number of individuals.

(6) One reinforced squad from B Co. cont. security of 81d and radio relay on hill 612 (399636).

(7) A 1/22 remains OPCON to 1/12 cont. security mission of FSB ARMAGEDDON.

3. Administration: TF NAVAJO con. to be resupplied from the Trains area at FSB ARMAGEDDON.

4. General: Cumulative results of US and enemy activity related to personnel and equipment since 1 July 1970.

a. US KIA	0
b. US WIA	0
c. US MIA	0
d. US equip. losses	1 M-16
e. enemy KIA	3
f. enemy WIA	0
g. enemy CIA	0
h. Moi Channs	31
i. enemy equipment dest/CIA	1 AK 47, 159 rds. AK: 81 lbs Chicom explosives: 50 lbs rice

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