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TIRU: Command Channels

TO: Commanding General
US Military Assistance Command, Vietnam
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3. (C) Location: East of Xuan Loc, South of Hwy 1, North of Ham Tan in the MAY TAO SECRET Zone, South of EW grid line 06, North of EW grid line 67, East of NS grid line 67 and West of NS grid line 19. Reference: Map Viet Nam, 1:50,000 sheets 6430 I,IV, 6530 I,II,III, and IV.

4. (C) General: During the period 3 Nov 1967 to 5 Jan 1968, Opn SANTA FE was conducted by the 1st Bde, 9th Inf Div. The First Brigade conducted Opn SANTA FE in the MAY TAO SECRET Zone to locate and destroy the 5th VC Div., cleared trails to provide ready access to and aerial surveillance of the Brigade AO and to upgrade Hwy #1. The 2-47 (M) Inf, 4-39 Inf, 3-5 Cav were units under 1st Bde, 9th Inf Div control. Also operating in close cooperation and coordination with 1st Bde was the 18th Division (ARVN) and TF BIGHORN (ARVN).

5. Reporting Officer:
   a. 1st Bde, 9th Inf Div - Colonel HARRY O. WILLIAMS
   b. Subordinate maneuver and combat support unit commanders:
      (1) 4-39 Inf Bn - LTC DANIEL BALDWIN
      (2) 2-47 (M) Inf Bn - LTC ARTHUR MORELAND
      (3) 3-5 Cav Sqdn - LTC HOWARD FULLER
      (4) 1-11 arty Bn - LTC J.J. SULLIVAN 3 Nov-25 Dec
         -= LTC DONALD W. FARMER 26 Dec-5 Jan

6. TASK ORGANIZATION:

4-39 Inf 2-47 (M) Inf 2-5 Cav TF PHOLS 15 Engr Bn (+) Co I, 96 Engrs

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18th ARVN Div

43rd ARVN Regt. REO 1st Bde

TF DICH TUY C/709 ML/MT

LAT MB 94th MP (DF)

Fed S1r Comn Pltn/9th Signal Bn

B Co 9th MED Bn

A Co 15th Engr (WS)

735 BBU

7. SUPPORTING FORCES

a. Artillery

(i) The following Direct Support/General Support Reinforcing units supported Brigade Operations from Fire Support Bases within the Brigade TACR.

(a) 1st Bn, 11th Arty (-).

1 B Btry, 1-11 Arty (105T).

2 C Btry, 1-11 Arty (105T).

(b) 2d ADW Btry, 11th AR (155SP) 2 Nov 67 - 29 Nov 67.

(c) B Btry, 7th Bn, 9th Arty (105T) 30 Nov 67 - 30 Dec 67.

(d) B Btry, 2d Dn, 35th Arty (105T) 1 Dec 67 - 30 Dec 67.

(e) 1st Flt, (-), C Btry, 5th (AD) 24 arty (40mm, Dusters)

(ii) Btry E, 1st Bn, 83d Arty (175mm/80) was located adjacent to the Brigade AO and fired on call missions during the operation.

(iii) Rounds expended.

(a) Observed (Except Preps):

1 High Explosive: 9,270.

2 White Phosphorous: 1,416.

2 Smokes: 55.


2 Beehive (Demonstration): 12.

(b) Unobserved, (F/II's):

1 High Explosive: 20,798.

2 Illumination: 23
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(c) Unobserved Targets:

1. High Explosive: 1,651.

(d) Unobserved Preparations; High Explosive: 284.

(4) Artillery arm. for expenditures by type:

(a) High Explosive: 32,003.
(b) White Phosphorus: 1,455.
(c) Illumination: 90.
(d) Smoke: 55
(e) Beehive: 12.

(5) Total rounds expended; 33,615.

b. Army Aviation

(1) Organic Aviation: Sorties 1610
Hours 557
Passengers 2207
Cargo 4 (toms)

(2) Non-organic Aviation:

(a) One UH-1D was used daily for Command and Control.
(b) Three airborne assaults were conducted using 152 sorties of UHID's to transport 1360 personnel.
(c) Two airborne movements were conducted using 18 sorties of CH47's to transport 22 personnel and 8 tons of equipment.

c. Close Air Support

(1) Both preplanned and immediate air strikes were employed as follows:

(a) Preplanned

1. Strikes requested 90
2. Strikes approved 56
3. Strikes diverted 8
4. Strikes diverted to 1st Bde 5
5. Total Strikes 61

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Type of Aircraft used:
- a F100 103
- b A37 11
- c FAC 12
- d B57 18

Ordinance:
- a 250 GP 4
- b 500 lb 190
- c 750 lb 342
- d 750 NAP 107
- e Rockets 16
- f 20mm 25/20
- g CBU 6

Targets Hit:
- a Suspected Observation Points 5
- b Suspected VC Concentration Areas 2
- c Suspected Base Camps 11
- d Prestrikes 26
- e Interdiction target 1
- f Tunnel 1
- g Suspected VC positions 4
- h Suspected VC Headquarters 6
- i Suspected VC Activity 11

Immediate
- 1 No requested 1
- 2 No approved 1
- 2 Strikes diverted 0
- 4 No/type aircraft: 2 F100's

(2) Total number of airstrikes flown, including both immediate and preplanned: 62

d. Engineers: Included in the initial mission assigned to the 1st Brigade on Operation 'SANTA' was the requirement to clear and upgrade Highway #1 on order. This was an operation of considerable magnitude and required the establishment of a forward CP at FS/PB WILCAT by the 15th Engineer Bn's Company A and B; Co A, 86 Engr
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Bn with land clearing team; 617 Engineer Co (Panel Bridge), and the Engineer Battalion, 19th Division (ARVN). The collective accomplishments of these units are listed below:

**ENGINEER ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

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Of significance is the fact that the normal direct combat engineer support to the maneuver elements, in the form of demo work, LZ clearing, water supply, expedient bridging and fire support construction, continued without interruption.

8. INTELLIGENCE:

a. Pre & Operational Intelligence Information.

(1) Friendly operations in the area of interest can expect to encounter Hqs 5th VC Div with its administrative and combat support units located vic YS7793. Support elements include a hospital complex (T1500) and the 50th Trng Bn believed located vic YS7790. According to a rallied, HO VAN VANG, the 2d Bn 274th VC Regt is in the Cam My Jungle. However, the 11th ACB operations in that area may have forced them to move probable location along the Song Rai vic YS6393. The 64th Rear Services Group and possibly two companies of 0445 Ba Bien Bn are reported north of Thua Thich and along the Song Rai vic YS6094. The 1st Bn 275th VC Regt could be providing security for Hqs 5th VC Div, off in Long Thanh Province north of Gia Ray. Other reports indicate a RK IV main force battalion from 9th Thuan Province in the vic YS9888, replacing a 5th Div battalion that is on a special mission.

(2) Elements of the 274th VC Regt located in the HKT DICH 0445 Ba Bien Bn and elements of the 275th Regt located in Long Kanh could reinforce.

(3) The probable course of action will be avoid friendly operations, to direct and disorganize friendly forces utilizing mines and booby traps and harassing fires, and to remain fairly close while waiting for targets of opportunity to attack or ambush. If forced to withdraw, the enemy will withdraw to the east or northeast.

b. Significant Events:

(1) 031607 H/4-39th Inf vic YS99951 found VC Base Camp consisting of 12 spider holes. Camp was very old and not destroyed.

(2) 031638 ARB/3-5 Cav vic YS974/346 found several old trails. Area checked with neg results. Extracted 031727H.

(3) 031710 B/4-39th Inf vic YS774/346 found well used trails and fresh tracks. Tracks were approx 1 hr. old. Area searched with neg results.

(4) 050815 B/4-39th Inf vic YS791/94 exchanged SA fire w/2 VC in pursuit spotted 4-6 more and VC evaded friendly units. VC fled south. Neg US cas and VC cas unk.

(5) 051112 B/4-39th Inf vic YS796/916 rec'd 20 rds SA from east 4 VC. Fire was returned. Neg US cas and enemy cas unk.

(6) 060730 B/4-39th Inf vic YS788/977 engaged in VC. Also destroyed 37 chican grenades, and evac 5 lbs documents, 1 can unidentified medical supplies.

(7) 060832 Ist Bde C&C ship vic YS777/866 observed 3 VC dressed in khaki uniforms. FAC reconed the area with neg results.

(8) 071721 A/4-39th Inf vic YS780/982 destroyed 3 bunkers (8'x6'x6'). Also destroyed 37 chican grenades, and evac 5 lbs documents, 1 can unidentified medical supplies.

(9) Delayed entry 0713 6 B/4-39th Inf vic YS813/405 found 1 tunnel (12' deep). A search of the area 08000 Nov 67 resulted in finding 1 sq size VC base camp consisting of 3 bunkers w/one, also 2 forked poles in the ground (suspect'd AA support). Tunnel and bunkers destroyed.

(10) 080830 A/4-39th Inf vic YS780/886 destroyed 3 bunkers w/one. Also in the area found well used trail. Area checked w/neg results.

(11) 080930 A/4-39th Inf vic YS780/886 destroyed 16 huts, 15 bunkers w/one, and 1 rd AK-47 ammo. A search of the area revealed an old map of area and 3 well used trail. Area checked w/neg results. Tap evac.

(12) 091342 C/2-47th Inf (M) vic YS767/920 destroyed 11 huts, 11 bunkers, misc clothing and evac 2 documents. Bunkers were old but appeared to have been recently used.

(13) 111005 C/2-47th Inf (M) vic YS800/920 destroyed 4 bunkers, 3 huts, misc cooking utensils, and misc SA 30's.

(14) 111400 A/4-39th Inf vic YS781/998 destroyed 5 bunkers (3'x2'x3') 3 bunkers (8'x6'x6') w/one, 5 huts, 20 rds M-1 ammo, assorted clothing, 1 table and evac 3 lb documents and 1x Bd 5 lb claymore w/wire, 1 ear phone set CIC dated 26 May 1959, 1 long line antenna.

(15) 121417 C/2-47th Inf (M) vic YS779/949 destroyed VC base camp consisting of 3 huts and 2 bunkers w/one; also vic YS795/937 additional 9 huts and 8 bunkers. w/one 1 poncho, 1 gas mask, 1 piece of web gear and misc pots, 2 misc documents. Documents include a personnel roster of ammunition and type weapon issued to each individual, 9x S'S type 56 and 4 AK-47 assault rifles.

(16) 131230 A/4-39th Inf vic YS768/885, destroyed 8 bunkers (3'x4'x3'), 5 huts (10'x8'x5') and 3 latrines. Also executed 100 lbs rice, 25 lbs of beans, 1 gal bean oil (US), 2000' field wire, 2 MP' rocket rds, 2 Yugoslav TR 50 telephones.

(17) 131425 C/2-47th Inf (M) vic YS771/925 located 10 bunkers (8x6x3') w/one, 5 huts.

(18) 151145 FAC ship rep'd large VC base camp complex vic approx location Y774...
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(19) 161245 C/4-39th Inf vic YS781782 found VC base camp containing 3 bunkers and 3 huts. Engaged 3 VC with neg results. Also found 2 chicom claymores, 4 hand grenades, 300 rds AK-47 and 7.62 ammo, 1 large grenade, 50 lbs of rice, rice amount medical supplies, and unk amount of documents. The documents were ext, acted and the remainder left intact. Follow-up: destroyed bunkers and huts and evacuated the remainder 17 Nov.

(20) 171000 B/4-39th Inf vic YS774884, found VC base camp consisting of 30 bunkers 2 to 3 weeks old, 1 classroom for approx 80 people, 5 cooking huts and rice clothing. Also found 20 lbs medical supplies, 2 lbs of documents, 1 map, and 1 training manual, 1 home made hand grenade, 50 rds of 50 cal armor piercing ammo, 1 box for 81mm mortar sight. The bunkers, huts classroom and clothing were destroyed and the remainder evacuated.

(21) 180830 B/4-39th Inf vic YS771847, located base camp consisting of 12 bunkers (10'x10') w/ohc and 1 classroom for approx 75 people, also destroyed 2 rds 75mm AR, 2 chicom claymores and 26 GBUs. Bunkers and classroom were not destroyed due to mission.

(22) 201055 B/4-39th Inf vic YS729895 found 15 graves approx 3 days old. Cave contained 7 VC KIA (30) by arty and 8 VC KIA (20) by SA fire.

(23) 221105 H/2-47th Inf vic YS803416, destroyed 8 huts, 20 bunkers, 1 tunnel and evacuated small amount medical supplies and 3 documents. In searching area found base camp vic YS811920, consisting of 20 bunkers and 7 huts.

(24) 241455 B/2-47th Inf vic YS784757, destroyed VC base camp consisting of 4 bunkers w/ohc. Search area w/neg results.

(25) 051640 43rd ARIN rpt Xuan Loc rec'd 45 rds 81/82mm mortar and SA, & AW fire. Fire came from W, appeared to be trying for a ammunition dump. Mortar ceased at 0124H; neg friendly cas, there were 221 ton damaged.

(26) 290010 lst Bdo S-4 rpt Xuan Loc rec'd 45 rds 81/82mm mortar and SA. & AW fire. Fire came from W, appeared to be trying for a ammunition dump. Mortar ceased at 0124H; neg friendly cas, there were 221 ton damaged.

(27) 051640 43rd ARIN rpt fresh trenches in vic YS2193; YS2195; YS23493; and 30 trenches near Hwy 340 vic YS220953.

(28) 121325 47th Inf vic SJ9376 fd rice cache containing 660 lbs of rice. Rice was destroyed.

(29) 151150 A/2-47th Inf vic YS533983 destroyed 2 small punji pits, 2 huts, 150 lbs rice, grinding machine, 20 lbs rice evac.

(30) 160955 LNO TF BINH TUY rpt PT Plt vic 25 078973 rec't SA/AW fire from pt's size unit. VC broke contact at 1005H and fled; VC wearing blx FD's and khaki uniforms w/shoulder harnesses. Results: 2 friendly WIA's, 6 VC KIA and 1 Chicom grenade captured; no unit ID on bodies.

(31) 281135 A/2-47th (M) Inf vic 25 101992, dest 3 bunkers (10x10x5) 3 huts and evac 2 anti-personnel min.

(32) Delayed entry 200030 512 HP on Plt and 1le of the 7th and 3d Plt vic YS72894, were ambushed by est 2 VC sqd; broke contact at 0935H and moved NW. VC cas unk, friendly cas 2 WIA.
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(33) 301000 LNO IF Binh Tuy rpt to LNO 1-11 Arty that ARVN sighted approx 500 VC YS9490. MU conducted VR and searched area without results.

(34) 301200 LNO IF Binh Tuy rpt to 1-11th Arty that approx 500 VC loc vic YS895925. Arty fired into area. Army conducted VR and rec'd SA fire vic YS914911, neg hits; aircrafts continued mission. Air strike was placed vic YS914911.

c. Weather: During the operation, weather had no significant impact on military operations. Approximately 36 hours of rain temporarily delayed the trail clearing operation south of the May Tao Mountain area.

d. Conclusions: The results of the operation did not substantiate previous intelligence information regarding the 5th VC Division. There was insignificant sporadic contact during phase I. The lack of booby traps along trails and base camp areas indicated the VC attaché's little importance to the area. Equipment and documents captured and evacuated were deteriorated. From all indications, the base camps were vacated before Operation SANTA F1 was initiated.

9. MISSION: The Ist Bde attacks H-Hour D-Day to destroy VC/NVA forces and installations in zone in the MAY TAO SECRET ZONE; clears and upgrades Hwy 1 on order.

10. Concept of Operation:

a. During the period 3 November 1967 to 5 January 1968 the 1st Bde conducted strike ops in the SANTA FE area with forces ranging from one Mech Inf Bn to one Mech Inf Bn, one Cav Sqdn, and an ARVN TF consisting of 2 ARVN Ranger Bn's to locate and destroy elements of the 5th VC Div in the MAY TAO SECRET ZONE. To provide security for the 15th and 86th Engs building bridges and clearing jungle along Hwy 1 to open that route and clearing trails along Rte 331 and Rte 23 to provide ready access to the MAY TAO SECRET ZONE and the village of HAM TAM and TAM TAN.

b. Maneuver:

(1) Phase I: From 3 Nov 1967 to 13 Nov 1967. The 1st Bde conducted AML assault and ground assault into the MAY TAO SECRET ZONE to locate and destroy elements of the 5th VC Div.

(2) Phase II: From 13 Nov 1967 to 1 Dec 1967. Conducted ops south of Hwy 1 along Rte 331 to locate and destroy elements of the 5th VC Div and to clear trails in area to provide ready access to the MAY TAO SECRET ZONE.

(3) Phase III: From 1 Dec 1967 to 5 Jan 1968. Conducted assault, both AML and ground, to secure and protect the bridge sites along Hwy 1 from FS/FB WILDCAT to the corp boundary. To build and repair bridges along Hwy 1 to open Hwy 1 to the corp boundary.
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11. EXECUTION:


3 Nov: The FIRST AND FOREMOST commenced Opn SANTA FE to locate and destroy the 5th VC Div and to provide security for Engre clearing jungles along Hwy 1 on order. Conducted Bn (-) AML asst and moved overland with 4-39 Inf from FS/PB WILDCAT to YS7879. Attached in order to seize Obj 1. The 4-39 Inf conducted Bn (-) AML asst from Long Thanh airstrip commencing 0025H and landed on LZ 1 vic YS797967 and seized Obj 1. Upon link-up with 2-47 (M) Inf at FS/PB WILDCAT, attacked to the south in zone to seize Obj 2 vic YS799388 without contact. 2-47 (M) Inf provided security for the First Brigade elements from Bearcat to FS/PB WILDCAT and dropped off the First Brigade Train at Xuan Loc with contact. D Troop 3-5 Cav provided LDT support during the move and screened to the northeast in zone. The Aero Rifle Platoon was inserted vic YS7979 and screened that area without contact.

4 Nov: The FIRST AND FOREMOST continued Opn SANTA FE with 2 Bn's and an Air Cav Troop to locate and destroy the 5th VC Div and to provide security for Engre clearing jungles and opening Hwy 1 on order. The 4-39 Inf conducted S&D ops in zone and conducted cloverleaf patrols from Obj 2 vic YS7933 to locate and destroy VC forces in that area. During the hours of darkness the Bn conducted ambush patrols in zone to interdict trails and avenues of withdrawal in that area without contact. The Bn assumed OPCON B Company 2-47 (M) Inf effective 041030H. A Company conducted S&D ops vic YS7992 and conducted ambush patrols in that area without contact. B Company conducted S&D ops vic YS7992 and conducted ambush patrols in that area without contact. C Company conducted S&D ops vic YS7893 and secured the Bn CP. C Company conducted S&D ops vic YS7893 and established ambushes in that area to interdict trails and routes of withdrawal without incident. B Company 2-47 (M) Inf became OPCON 4-39 Inf 041030H and secured the zone slows cutting the Bn to free and secure Obj 1 and established as area I/S789794 FS/PB WILDCAT and PANTHER without incident. The 2-47 (M) Inf continued S&D ops in zone and conducted screening ops on Hwy 1 in sector to locate and destroy VC forces in that area. The Bn also interdicted likely avenues of withdrawal in zone. The 2-47 (M) Inf provided security for FS/PB WILDCAT and the Rde CP vic YS799794 and established ambushes vic YS7907945 and released B Company OPCON 4-39 Inf 041030H. A Company conducted local S&D in zone vic YS8198 and conducted ambush patrols along Hwy 1 northeast in zone. The company also provided security for FS/PB WILDCAT and the Rde CP without contact. Company C provided one plat- team to assist the Scout Platoon on convoy escort from FS/PB WILDCAT to Xuan Loc. B company also conducted S&D ops vic YS7897 and outposting of Hwy 1 in sector without contact. D Troop 3-5 Cav conducted S&D ops vic YS897 with the Aero Rifle Platoon without contact. D Troop provided air screen in zone and inserted the IPCT in AO BLUE JAY II and AO BLUE JAY III without sightings or contact.

5 Nov: Opn SANTA FE was continued by elements of the First Brigade. The 4-39 Inf continued S&D ops in zone to locate and destroy VC forces in the area. Company A conducted S&D ops vic YS7790 without incident. Company A conducted S&D in zone with one report of contact in the vic YS779716. Contact was vic 3 to 4 VC. Contact was broken by fire from the VC. B Co pursued the VC but could not re- establish contact; there were no casualties in the engagement. Company conducted S&D ops vic YS7992 without contact. B Company conducted S&D ops in zone with one reported contact. At 0810H the company exchanged fire with 2 VC. The VC broke contact and fled to the north. B Co pursued and spotted 4 to 6 more VC but was unable to establish contact; there were no casualties in the contact. B Company 2-47 (M) Inf retained OPCON 4-39 Inf and conducted S&D ops vic YS7979. The company also secured the Bn CP and the move clear effort in that area without contact. C Company conducted S&D ops in zone to locate and destroy the 5th VC Div. The Bn secured FS/PB WILDCAT and provided convoy escort from WILDCAT to Xuan Loc.
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Company A secured FS/PB WILDCAT and outposting of Key 1 without contact. Company A conducted S&D ops in zone to locate and destroy VC forces in that area. Company A conducted S&D ops in vic 1S78790 without contact. B Company conducted S&D ops in zone and at 060755H spotted movement in VC positions vic 1S778895. The company called in arty fire with unknown VC casualties. C Company conducted S&D ops in vic 1S7891 without contact. B Company 2-47 (M) Inf remained OPCON 4-39 Inf and secured the zone plow effort, the Bn CP and FS/PB PANTHER without contact. The 2-47 (M) Inf continued S&D ops in zone; provided security for FS/PB WILDCAT; provided convoy escort from Xuan Loc to WILDCAT. Company A secured FS/PB WILDCAT and conducted local patrolling. The company also continued to outpost Key 1 without contact. C Company conducted S&D ops vic 1S7891 and 1S77795 and outposting of Key 1 without contact. The Scout Platoon provided convoy escort between WILDCAT and Xuan Loc without incident.

6 Nov: Opn SANTA FE was continued by elements of the First Brigade. The 4-39 Inf conducted S&D ops in zone to locate and destroy VC forces in that area. Company A conducted S&D ops vic 1S77790 with four finds in the area. In the vic 1S777900 the company found and destroyed a 250 lb bomb. They found a squad size VC base camp vic 1S772995 consisting of 5 foxholes 4x2x21' without overhead cover and destroyed them. The company located another VC base camp vic 1S778895 consisting of 6 bunkers '8x5x2' without overhead cover. Also found in the bunkers were 37 Chicom grenades, 5 lb documents and one can unidentified medicine. The bunkers and grenade were destroyed and the medicine and documents evacuated. The company located 5 foxholes vic 1S778893 that had been occupied in the last 24 hours and destroyed them. B Company conducted S&D ops in vic 1S77888 without incident. Company C conducted S&D ops vic 1S8087 and found and destroyed in the vic 1S818713 ox carts, 1 hut, and 1 poncho. B Company continued S&D ops vic 1S8086 and closed FS/PB LEOPARD at 1120H without contact. B Company 2-47 (K) Inf remained OPCON 4-39 Inf and moved from FS/PB PANTHER to FS/PB LEOPARD. Also secured the rice plows during the move without contact. The 2-47 (K) Inf (-) moved from FS/PB WILDCAT to FS/PB PANTHER and relieved 4-39 Inf in place. A Company became OPCON to 1st Bde. The 4-39 Inf continued S&D ops in zone to locate and destroy the 5th VC Div. The Bn continued to clear and improve FS/PB LEOPARD and released B Company OPCON 2-47 (M) Inf effective 0800H. A Company continued S&D ops in zone vic 1S78888 with three finds. In the vic 1S780832 the company found one hat and 3 bunkers w/overhead cover and 100 meters south of that location found 2 more hats and well used trails. The company located 16 huts with a bunker to each vic 1S778895 containing the following items: mis: clothing, 5 "H" batteries, 2 "C" batteries, 2 small bags soup mixture, 1 VC protective mask, 1 VC canteen, 2 V-10 directional mines (5 lb each), 1 oiler, 751 electrical wire, 1 commercial fish net, 1 French canteen, 2 V-10 clustered rounds, 1 VC plate belt, 1 rice sack, 7 tin pie pans, 1 VC head lamp, 1 small bag white powder (type unk), 1 small bag fried rice, 1 small bag uncooked rice. The bunkers were c-5'x4' with 1' of overhead cover. They also found one old map and one round of AK47 ammo. The map was evacuated and all other items were destroyed. Also in vic 1S8186 they found 1 large tunnel 121 deep and a squad size base camp consisting of 5 bunkers w/overhead cover. All items were destroyed. B Company was released OPCON 2-47 (M) Inf effective 0800H. C Company conducted S&D ops from vic 1S81836 to the west with one find and one contact. In the vic 1S77897 they found 2 hats and 2 bunkers with 16' overhead cover. The bunkers were
Approximately 12 months old and were destroyed by the company. The company spotted 2 VC in the vic TS785864 and opened fire on the VC. VC fired back at the company. The company continued to secure FS/PB LEOPOARD and conducted local patrolling without incident. B Company 2-47 (M) Inf secured the zone and cleared the jungle vic FS/PB LEOPOARD and secured the LOC from FS/PB PANTHER to FS/PB LEOPOARD without incident. The 2-47 (M) Inf continued SAD ops in zone and provided security for FS/PB WILDCAT and PANTHER. A Company remained OPCON 1st Bde for security of FS/PB WILDCAT and conducted local patrolling around the FS/PB. B Company OPCON 4-39 Inf. C Co secured FS/PB PANTHER and conducted SAD ops to the east of that FS/PB with one find. In the vic TS77922 the company located and destroyed 11 huts and 11 bunkers. In the bunkers they found some clothes and documents that were evacuated. The Scout platoon secured the LOC between FS/PB WILDCAT and PANTHER with one incident. An ambush patrol from the Scout Platoon detected movement in the vic TS790879 and fired M-79 and mortars; the movement ceased. A short time later the ambush received a rifle grenade that hit an APC. There was no damage to the APC and neg US casualties. The ambush returned the fire with M-79, mortars, and artillery with unknown results. The ambush received a burst of fire a short time later and returned the fire with machine guns, mortars, and mortar fire. A sweep of the area was conducted at first light with neg results. B Co 4-39 Inf became OPCON 2-47 (M) Inf OBOEDCH and conducted S&D from vic TS7889 to vic TS7990 without incident. The company also continued S&D ops with one platoon on Obj 11 vic TS7790 without contact.

9 Nov: Opn SANTA FE was conducted by elements of the Ist Bde. The 4-39 Inf continued S&D ops in zone and continued clearing and improving FS/PB LEOPOARD. A Company continued S&D ops vic TS76487 with one find. In the vic TS76886 the company found and destroyed 67 bunkers, one tunnel and 2 huts. They also evacuated 4 lbs of documents in the same area. B Co remained OPCON 2-47 (M) Inf. C Co continued S&D ops in the vic TS75547 with one find. B Co 2-47 (M) Inf remained OPCON 4-39 Inf and secured FS/PB LEOPOARD. The company also secured the LOC between FS/PB PANTHER and LEOPOARD. A resupply helicopter spotted 3 oxcarts and 20 personnel vic TS751860 and a patrol checked the area with neg results. 2-47 (M) Inf continued S&D in zone; provided security and local patrolling around FS/PB WILDCAT. B Co remained OPCON 4-39 Inf. C Co secured FS/PB PANTHER and conducted patrols east of FS/PB PANTHER with one reported contact and find. A platoon from C Co made contact with an estimated VC squad vic YS751222 resulting in 1 VC KIA (BC) and no US casualties. While pursuing the VC, the patrol found a VC base camp consisting of 5 bunkers which were destroyed. They also destroyed one gal of Kerosene and evacuated misc uniforms, 1 bush hat, 1 poncho, unk # BA 30's, and misc documents. The Scout platoon located and destroyed a VC base camp vic YS751222 consisting of 12 bunkers 8'x6'x4' and 5 huts. B Co 2-47 (M) Inf remained OPCON 4-39 Inf and secured FS/PB LEOPOARD. The company also conducted local patrolling in that area without contact. 2-47 (M) Inf continued S&D ops in zone and provided security for FS/PB PANTHER and WILDCAT. A Company OPCON 2-47 (M) Inf continued S&D ops vic TS751860 and conducting S&D in the vic TS77991 and outpost Obj 11 vic TS77990 without contact.

10 Nov: Opn SANTA FE was continued by elements of the Ist Bde. The 4-39 Inf continued S&D ops in zone and clearing and improving FS/PB LEOPOARD. Co A continued S&D ops to the east from vic TS7586 without contact. B Co remained OPCON 2-47 (M) Inf. Co C conducted S&D ops to the east from vic TS7586. B Co conducted S&D ops to the east from vic TS7586 with one find. The Recon platoon located and destroyed a VC base camp vic TS751864 consisting of 12 bunkers 8'x6'x4' and 5 huts. B Co 2-47 (M) Inf remained OPCON 4-39 Inf and secured FS/PB LEOPOARD. The company also conducted local patrolling in that area without contact. 2-47 (M) Inf continued S&D ops in zone and provided security for FS/PB PANTHER and WILDCAT. Co A remained OPCON 1st Bde for security of FS/PB WILDCAT and local patrolling. B Co remained OPCON 4-39 Inf. Co C conducted patrols east and west of FS/PB PANTHER with one contact and one find. In the vic TS866923 the 2nd platoon made contact with an unknown size VC force. Contact was broken by the VC 10 minutes later with neg US casualties and VC losses unknown. While pursuing the VC, the patrol found a small VC base camp consisting of 1 bunker.

which were destroyed. The base camp location was YS808925. The platoon also found in the bunkers 2 pair black PJ, 2 tan shirts, one Russian rifle, one AK47, and 50 lbs of rotten rice; all items except the rice were evacuated. Also in the vic YS806923 the platoon located and destroyed one VC hand grenade booby trap. The company located a small tunnel with a hut vic YS81/321; both were destroyed. The Scout platoon secured the LOC between FS/PB WILDCAT and PANTHER without incident. B Co 4-39 Inf remained OPCON 2-47 (M) Inf and conducted S&O vic YS7790 and YS7890 without contact.

11 Nov: Opn SANTA FE was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. The 4-39 Inf continued S&D ops in zone to locate and destroy the 5th VC Div. Also continued clearing and improving FS/PB LEO0RD. A Co continued S&D vic YS7786 with one find. The Co found 8 bunkers and 3 huts containing one table, 20 rds M-1 ammo, 1 Chicom claymore w/wire, 3 lbs documents and assorted clothing at 1350H in the vic YS781878. The documents and claymores were evacuated, all other items were destroyed. B Co remained OPCON 2-47 (M) Inf. Co C conducted S&D opn vic YS7681 with one find. In the vic YS75840 at 0800H, the company found 2 VC KIA (arty) (SC). There was no identification or weapons on the bodies. E Co continued S&D opns vic YS8181 with one find. In the vic YS828899 the co found 6 dead oxen that were killed by arty. There were exact tracks leading to the east. B Co 2-47 (M) Inf remained OPCON 4-39 Inf and conducted local patrolling. The Co also secured FS/PB LEO0RD and the LOC between FS/PB PANTHER and LEO0RD without incident. The 2-47 (M) Inf continued S&D ops in zone to locate and destroy the 5th VC Div and provided security for FS/PB PANTHER and WILDCAT. A Co remained OPCON 1st Bde for security of FS/PB WILDCAT and local patrolling. B Co remained OPCON 4-39 Inf. C Co conducted patrols east and west of FS/PB PANTHER and secured the FS/PB with two finds in the area. At 1030H this morning the company located a water point, a tan shirt and tin buckets in the vic YS797220 and destroyed all items. The co found a small base camp at 1105H in the vic YS80920 that consisted of 3 huts, 4 bunkers, cooking utensils, toothpaste, batteries, home made stove. All these items were old and not used recently and were destroyed. The Scout platoon secured the LOC between FS/PB WILDCAT and PANTHER without contact. B Co 4-39 Inf remained OPCON 2-47 (M) Inf and conducted S&D ops vic YS77790 with one find in the area. In the vic YS792908 the co found and destroyed 4 huts, 4 tables, one VC canteen pouch and 1 entrenching tool.

12 Nov: Opn SANTA FE was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. The 4-39 Inf continued S&D open within AO and conducted local patrolling and maintenance. A Co conducted maintenance and local patrolling vic YS7790 without incident. B Co remained OPCON 2-47 (M) Inf. B Co conducted maintenance and local patrolling vic YS7818 with contact. E Co conducted maintenance and local patrolling vic YS8181 without contact. B Co 2-47 Inf remained OPCON 4-39 Inf and secured FS/PB LEO0RD and conducted local patrolling without contact. The 2-47 (M) Inf continued S&D ops and security ops within AO; secured the 86th Engs clearing teams working between FS/PB PANTHER and WILDCAT. A Co remained OPCON 1st Bde and secured FS/PB WILDCAT. The co also secured clearing teams from 86th Engs clearing trail from FS/PB WILDCAT to PANTHER without contact. B Co remained OPCON 4-39 Inf. C Co secured FS/PB PANTHER and conducted local patrolling with two finds. The 3rd platoon located 9 huts and 8 bunkers vic YS77937 w/18" overhead cover. They found in the bunkers, pots and utensil, 1 piece of web gear, 1 protective mask w/pouch; all these items were evacuated and were estimated to have been used in the past 7 days. In the vic YS79036, the platoon found and destroyed 3 huts, and 2 bunkers (2x2) with 7" overhead cover. The Scout platoon secured clearing teams moving to FS/PB LEO0RD without incident. B Co 4-39 Inf remained OPCON 2-47 (M) Inf, conducted local patrolling vic YS7890 and continued manning OP vic YS77903 without contact.
13 Nov: Opn SANTA FE was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde until 1300H, at which time, all elements initiated SANTA FE II. The 4-39 Inf continued S&D and security ops in their AO. A Co continued S&D ops vic 157788 with one find. The 2nd platoon found a small base camp vic 15766895 consisting of 8 bunkers 3x3x3, 5 huts, 100 lb rice, 25 lb beans, 1 gal bean oil, 2000' cable, 2 telephones of unk type, 2 latrines, and 2 RPG-2 rockets. The bunkers, huts and latrines were destroyed; all other items were evacuated. B Co remained OPCON 2-47 (M) Inf. C Co continued S&D ops vic 15766828 with one find. The lst platoon found a VC base camp vic 15778819 consisting of 6 bunkers 6x6x6 with 24' overhead cover, and two huts; all were destroyed. B Co conducted S&D ops vic YS81B with one find. B Co 2-47 (N) Inf remained OPCON 4-39 Inf and conducted S&D ops vic 15778828 without contact. The 2-47 (M) Inf continued S&D and security ops within AO. A Co remained OPCON 1st Bde for security of FS/FS WILDCAT and secured clearing teams working between FS/FS WILDCAT and PANTHER without incident. B Co remained OPCON 4-39 Inf. C Co continued security of FS/FS WILDCAT and S&D ops working between FS/FS WILDCAT and LOPARD with one find. The lst platoon located and destroyed 10 bunkers 8x6x3 with 3' overhead cover. B Co 4-39 Inf remained OPCON 2-47 (N) Inf and continued manning CP vic 15778803. The company also continued patrolling vic 157790 and 158192 with one find. The 3rd platoon found in vic 15804324 a base camp that was destroyed 12 Nov 1967 that had one bowl of freshly cooked rice and some fresh cut sappingis. All were destroyed. On opn SANTA FE II the 86th Engrs cleared 67 acres and windrowed 3 acres. There was 18 acres cleared in FS/FS PANTHER, 39 acres from LOPARD 1500m north, 10 acres in FS/FS WILDCAT.

14 Nov: Opn SANTA FE II was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. The 4-39 Inf continued S&D ops within AO and secured rme plows clearing north from FS/FS LOPARD. A Co continued S&D ops vic 157887 without contact; B Co remained OPCON 2-47 (N) Inf. C Co continued S&D ops vic 158079 with one find. The company found and destroyed one bunker 6x3x3 with 3' overhead cover in vic 15782810 at 1100H. B Co continued S&D ops vic 158928 and 158930 with one find in the area. At 1205H today the Falcon platoon engaged two VC vic 158150. The VC fled to the west with the platoon pursuing with no results. In the vic 15837819 at 1100H the company found and evacuated one 106mm German SMAU, 350 lbs of 24'' overhead cover in a FO (N) radio. B Co 2-47 (N) Inf remained OPCON 4-39 Inf, secured FS/FS LOPARD and the clearing teams from 86th Engrs clearing Rte 331 north from FS/FS LOPARD. The 2-47 (N) Inf continued S&D and security ops within AO and secured clearing teams from 86th Engrs clearing trails in AO. A Co remained OPCON 1st Bde for security of FS/FS WILDCAT and local patrolling. The company also secured rme plows teams clearing trail between FS/FS WILDCAT and PANTHER. B Co remained OPCON to 4-39 Inf. C Co continued security of FS/FS WILDCAT and conducted local patrolling without contact. B Co 4-39 Inf remained OPCON to 2-47 (N) Inf and continued manning CP vic 15779003 and conducted S&D ops vic 157899 without contact. A Co 86th Engrs cleared 106 acres of jungle today for a total of 393 acres to date. Traces were cleared south of FS/FS PANTHER from 15789926 to 15790922. Traces were also cleared north of FS/FS LOPARD from 15790857 to 15790985 and traces were started to the south from FS/FS LOPARD. The platoons have 8 dozers on hand and 0 deadline. They have 22 rme plows on hand with 1 on deadline.

15 Nov: Opn SANTA FE II was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. The 4-39 Inf continued S&D ops within AO and secured clearing teams clearing north from FS/FS LOPARD. A Co continued S&D ops vic 157597 without contact. B Co remained OPCON to 4-39 Inf. C Co continued S&D ops vic 157823 without contact. B Co continued S&D ops vic 157828. B Co OPCON 4-39 Inf, continued security of FS/FS LOPARD and conducted local patrolling. The company also secured clearing teams from 86th

Engrs clearing Rte 331 north of FS/PB LOPARD. The 2-47 (M) Inf continued S&D and security ops in AO. Secured the clearing teams from 86th Engrs clearing Rte 331 between FS/PB FANTHER and LYNX. A Co remained OPCON 1st Bde and secured FS/PB WILDCAT and conducted local patrolling. The company also secured clearing teams from 86th Engs clearing trails between FS/PB FANTHER and LYNX. B Co remained OPCON 4-39 Inf. C Co secured FS/PB FANTHER and conducted local patrolling. B Co 4-39 Inf remained OPCON 2-47 (M) Inf, continued manning OP vic Y577890 and conducted S&D opns vic Y5780.

There was no contact in 1st Bde's AO today. A Co 86th Engs cleared 14 acres today for a total to date of 397 acres. Traces from Y5790835 to Y577894 and from Y5805865 to Y5817877 were cleared. Also cleared were traces from Y5839872 to Y5977871; from Y5978829 to Y5979393. They have 9 zone plays operational and 5 deadlined. They have 8 dzer operational and 2 on deadline. In the vic Y57483 the Bde 86th Engrs spotted 4 VC base camps that will be checked at a later date by troops on the ground. The locations of the base camps are Y5744836, Y5748839, Y5741832, and Y5744837.

16 Nov: Ops SANTA FE II was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. The 4-39 Inf continued S&D ops within AO. The BN moved 1st CP from FS/PB 120600 to LYNX. The BN released OPCON B Co 2-47 (M) Inf at that time. A Co conducted S&D ops vic Y5787788 with two finds and one contact in the area. The BN moved its BN CP to FS/PB LYNX without contact. C Co conducted S&D ops vic Y578778 with two finds and one contact in the area. In the vic Y579682 at 0910H the BN found and destroyed 5 bunkers and 2 huts. The bunkers were 10x8x64 with 2' overhead cover. Later in the day vic Y5781878 the company found a base camp and engaged 3 VC, that fled to the CV, with neg results. The base camp consisted of 3 mts, 13 bunkers. While pursuing the VC, about 100m SW of the base camp, the BN found 2 Chicos claymores, 400 rds 5.56mm, 20 lbs medical supplies, 100 lbs rice, 10 ammo pouches, 4 grenades, and 2 lbs documents. The BN is conducting ambush patrols in the area tonight and will destroy the base camp tomorrow and evacuate the other items. B Co conducted S&D ops within AO without contact. The 2-47 (M) Inf continued S&D and security ops within AO and secured clearing teams from 86th Engs clearing south of FS/PB WILDCAT. The BN released OPCON B Co 4-39 Inf at that time. A Co remained OPCON 1st Bde and secured FS/PB WILDCAT. The BN also conducted local patrolling without contact. B Co continued security of FS/PB LOPARD and secured clearing teams clearing toward FS/PB LYNX. C Co conducted S&D FANTHER and conducted local patrolling with one find. The BN also conducted local patrolling south of FS/PB FANTHER. In the vic Y5804925 found and destroyed 1 hut, rice bowls, and a table. There was no fire in the area and the area was checked with neg results. The Scout platoon maintained the LOC between FS/PB FANTHER and LOPARD. They have 9 zone plays operational. Traces cleared today were from Y5795865 to Y5778875, from Y5800830 to Y5786850, from Y5795850 to Y5805850, from Y5798850 to Y5778809.

17 Nov: Ops SANTA FE II was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. The 4-39 Inf continued S&D ops within AO and secured FS/PB LYNX. B Co conducted S&D ops vic Y5783844 with one find in the area. The company located a base camp containing 30 bunkers w/overhead cover, 18 cooking huts. In the huts they found 20 lbs medical supplies, 2 lbs medical supplies, 2 lbs documents, misc clothing, one map, training manuals, home made grenades, 50 rds 5.56mm armor piercing, and a box for FM28 mortar site. Base camp loc Y5724834. The bunkers were destroyed; all other items evacuated. C Company conducted S&D ops vic Y577878 with one find. In the vic Y579799 the company found a VC base camp of 20 bunkers that were caved in. B Company conducted S&D ops vic Y582882 without contact. The 2-47 (M) Inf continued S&D and security ops within AO. B Co moved its CP from FS/PB FANTHER to LOPARD and secured clearing teams from 86th Engs clearing trails and FS/PB in AO. A Co remained OPCON for security of FS/PB WILDCAT and local patrolling without contact. B Co continued to secure FS/PB LOPARD and conducted local patrolling in that area without contact. The

company also secured Engrs clearing teams working in the area without contact. C Company continued to secure FS/PB PANTHER and conducted local patrolling without contact but had one find in the area. In the vic 1574925 the company found and destroyed 2 huts and 2 bunkers. The company also secured the Engrs clearing trail south of FS/PB PANTHER. Scout platoon secured the LOC from FS/PB PANTHER to WILDCAT with one incident. The platoon received one round of sniper fire vic 15753835 with neg casualties. In the vic 15731871 a Bde FAC reported an airstrike resulted in a secondary explosion, black smoke was seen rising from the target area. A Co 86 hagr cleared 107 acres today for a total to date of 762 acres. The hagrs have 8 dozers operational and 17 snow plows operational. They have 5 snow plows cleared today from 15775970 to 15763782; from 1575428 to 15754734, from 15762827 to 15754734, from 1576909 to 15769905.

18 Nov: Opn SANTA FE II was conducted by elements of the Ist Bde. The 4-39 Inf provided SA&D ops within AO and secured FS/PB LINX. The bn also established blocking positions in conjunction with 11 ACR ops. A Co secured FS/PB LINX and conducted local patrolling until 180000H and then moved and established blocking pens vic 15763887 without contact. B Co conducted SA&D ops vic 15787A until 180000H and then moved and established blocking pens vic 15742885 without contact. The Co located a VC base camp vic 15773887 containing 12 bunkers w/overhead cover, one classroom, 2 - 75MM. M.39, 2 Chicom claymores, 26 butterfly bombs. The RR rds, claymores and butterfly bombs were destroyed. The base camp was not due to mission. C Co conducted SA&D ops vic 157879 until 180000H and then moved and established blocking pens vic 15754886. E Co conducted SA&D ops vic 157876 until 180000H and then moved to secure FS/PB LINX with one platoon. The Bn furnished the HRF for the Bn with op. platoon vic 15755975. Enroute to FS/PB LINX the bn located an old VC base camp vic 15777792 and passed through due to nature of mission. The 2-47 (K) Inf continued SA&D and security ops within AO. The bn also secured FS/PB WILDCAT and LOPMC and secured clearing teams from 86th Engs. clearing trails in Bde AO and provided blocking forces in conjunction with 11 ACR ops. A Co remained OPCON to lst Bde for security of FS/PB LINX and local patrolling. The company provided one platoon for security of FS/PB LOPMC and one platoon for blocking force vic 15777983 without contact. B Co continued security of FS/PB WILDCAT and conducted local patrolling until 180000H. They also provided security for clearing teams clearing trails in AO until that time. The Co then moved dismounted to blocking pens vic 15779903 and 180000H. The company also provided a platoon for security of FS/PB PANTHER until relieved by a platoon from A Co. Then A Co conducted SA&D ops and security ops for clearing teams clearing trails in Bde AO until 180000H, then moved and established blocking pens vic 15779923, 15779927, and 15779903 without contact. The Scout platoon secured LOC between FS/PB LINX and WILDCAT and relieved other elements of security of clearing teams at 180000H. The Scouts also provided security for FS/PB WILDCAT and assisted in security at FS/PB PANTHER without contact.

19 Nov: Opn SANTA FE II was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. The 4-39 Inf provided company also blocking force south of mountain vic 157791 and conducted local patrolling. The bn also secured FS/PB LINX. A Co provided blocking force vic 15760886. B Co provided blocking force vic 15752886. C Co provided blocking force vic 15742885. E Co provided SA&D ops and security ops vic 15763870. There was no contact or ops today. All companies conducted local patrolling. The 2-47 (K) Inf continued SA&D and security ops within AO and secured clearing teams from 86th Engs clearing trails within Bde AO. The bn also provided blocking forces East of mountain vic 157591. A Co (-) remained OPCON to lst Bde and secured FS/PB WILDCAT. One platoon remained at FS/PB PANTHER for security and Bn (-) Co (-) remained OPCON to lst Bde and secured FS/PB WILDCAT. One platoon provided blocking force vic 15777915. B Co continued security of FS/PB LINX and provided

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blocking forces vic SY775906 and SY768888 with two platoons. C Co provided company size blocking force vic SY775925. Scout platoon secured some plows clearing trails in Bde AO with one find. In the vic SY00783 the platoon found and destroyed 2 loo ton and 3 ox carts. There was no contact in 2-47 (N) Inf area today. A Co 86th Engrs cleared 66 acres today for a total to date of 876. Engrs have 16 tone plows operational and 5 deadlined. They have 8 dozers on hand and 0 deadlined, traces cleared today from SY753933 to SY784845, from SY02830 to SY810830.

20 Nov: Opn SANTA FE II was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. The 4-39 Inf continued SAD opns within AO and provided three company size blocking forces south of mountain vic SY7591. The Bn also secured FS/PB LYNX. A Co provided blocking force vic SY760886 and conducted local patrolling without contact. B Co provided blocking force vic SY752886 and conducted local patrolling with four finds and one contact in the area. The 1st platoon found 15 graves in the vic SY758995 at 20100H containing 15 VC KIA (KG), approximately 3 days old. Seven bodies killed by arty and eight killed by SA. The 1st platoon also found a VC base camp vic SY735-895, consisting of 10 bunkers. The bunkers were not destroyed. The platoon found a VC base camp vic SY746890, consisting of bunkers and trenches. One bunker was 50'X75' and contained medical supplies which were evacuated. The platoon engaged 1 VC wearing a tiger uniform vic SY774894 with neg results. C Co provided blocking forces vic SY740885 and conducted local patrolling with one find in area. Vic SY740900 the platoon found one hut, one ruck sack, and a blood trail. The hut was destroyed and the ruck sack was evacuated. All companies of 4-39 Inf returned to FS/PB LYNX at 20100H in preparation for AML movement to Bearcat on 21 Nov 1967. The 2-47 (N) Inf continued SAD opns and security opns within AO and secured clearing teams from 86th Engrs clearing trails within Bde AO. The Bn also provided blocking forces east of mountain vic SY7591. A Co (-) remained OPCON 1st Bde and secured FS/PB WILDCAT. One platoon A Co remained at FS/PB PANTHER as BN RRF. One platoon A Co provided blocking force vic SY777915. B Co continued security of FS/PB LYNX and provided blocking forces vic SY776906 and SY768888 with two platoons. C Co provided company size blocking force vic SY775925. Scout platoon secured some plows clearing trails within Bde AO today. A Co 86th Engrs cleared 11 acres today for a total to date of 922 acres.

21 Nov: Opn SANTA FE II was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. The 4-39 Inf terminated Opn SANTA FE II and conducted AML movement by CH47 from FS/PB LYNX to Bearcat commencing 0700H and completing at 0855H. Bn released from OPCON 1st Bde at that time. The 2-47 (N) Inf continued SAD and security opns within AO and secured clearing teams from 86th Engrs clearing trails within Bde AO. The Bn also terminated blocking forces east of mountain vic SY7591. A Co (-) remained OPCON 1st Bde and secured FS/PB WILDCAT. Two platoons secured FS/PB PANTHER until the FS/PB was closed out at 1645H. The two platoons returned to FS/PB WILDCAT at that time. A Co had no contact in their area today. B Co secured FS/PB LYNX and conducted local patrolling without contact. The Scout platoon secured the Engrs moving from FS/PB LYNX to SY790790 without contact. A Co 86th Engrs cleared 16 acres today for a total cleared of 1057 to date. The Engrs have 8 dozers operational, none deadlined and 21 tone plows operational and one on deadline. Traces cleared today from SY766816 to SY767813, from SY752860 to SY762860.
22 Nov: Opn SANTA FL II was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. The 2-47 (M) Inf continued S&L and security ops within AO. The Bn provided security for teams from 86th Engrs clearing trails within Bde AO. A Co secured FS/PB WILDCAT and conducted local patrolling. The Co remained OPCON to 1st Bde. The Co had two finds in the area today. At 1226H in the vic YS902920 the 2nd platoon found a well used trail running north and south. The platoon checked out the area with no further development. The 1st platoon located a VC base camp, one in vic YS902916, the other YS911- 920. The base camp at YS90318 consisted of 8 huts, 20 bunkers and one tunnel which were destroyed. The platoon also found a small amount of medical supplies and documents in the base camp and evacuated them to Bde CP. The other base camp consisted of 7 huts and 20 bunkers which will be destroyed at a later date. B Co continued security of FS/PB LEOPARD and manned an OP vic YS778903 with one squad. The Co also conducted local patrolling and secured LOC between WILDCAT and LEOPARD without incident. C Co secured FS/PB LYNX and conducted local patrolling without incident. Scout platoon secured route plowing clearing on LIMESTONE trail and located and destroyed 15 old bunkers vic YS778903. A Co 86th Engrs cleared 45 acres today for a total of 1,142 acres to date. Traces cleared from YS791-729 to YS791-730, from YS792-792 to YS792-792 from YS792-792 to YS792-792 from YS792-792 to YS792-792. The Engrs have 16 route plow operational and 6 deadlined. They have 8 dozers operational and 0 deadlined. B Trp 3-5 Cav remained at FS/PB TIGER and became OPCON 11 ACR.

23 Nov: Opn SANTA FL II was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. The 2-47 (M) Inf continued S&L and security ops within AO. The Bn provided security for teams from 86th Engrs clearing trails within Bde AO. A Co secured FS/PB WILDCAT and conducted local patrolling. The Co remained OPCON to 1st Bde until relieved by B Co at 1247H. A Co moved to FS/PB LEOPARD and secured that PS/FB and conducted local patrolling without contact. The Co also secured the LOC between FS/PB WILDCAT and LEOPARD. C Co secured FS/PB LYNX and secured B Trp 3-11 arty from LYNX to WILDCAT, completely closing FS/PB BOBCAT at 1740H. The Co conducted local patrolling and provided a platoon for security of FS/PB BOBCAT without incident. Scout platoon secured route plowing on LIMESTONE trail and secured FS/PB BOBCAT without contact. A Co 86th Engrs cleared 70 acres today for a total cleared to date of 1,142 acres. Traces cleared today from YS758282 to YS758282, from YS759790 to YS759790. The Engrs have 7 dozers operational and 3 deadlined, They have 12 route plow operational and 1 deadlined. They have 18 route plow operational and 4 deadlined.

24 Nov: Opn SANTA FL II was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. The 2-47 (M) Inf continued S&L and security ops within AO. The Bn provided security for teams from 86th Engrs clearing trails within Bde AO. A Co secured FS/PB WILDCAT and conducted local patrolling. The Co remained OPCON to 1st Bde until relieved by B Co at 1236H. A Co moved to FS/PB LEOPARD and secured that FS/PB and conducted local patrolling without contact. B Co moved from FS/PB LEOPARD to FS/PB WILDCAT and relieved A Co and became OPCON 1st Bde 1247H. B Co reported receiving 16 rds of sniper fire from northeast side of WILDCAT. There were no friendly casualties and fire was not returned. The first platoon relieved the 2nd squad of the 2nd platoon on OP vic YS778903. C Co secured FS/PB LYNX, clearing teams clearing between LYNX and BOBCAT and conducted local patrolling in AO with one find. The Co, while reacting to a report from a resupply helicopter that a hut was spotted vic YS734008, found and destroyed a bunkers in that area. The Co also located and used used trails and checked the area with neg results. The Co also provided one platoon for security of FS/PB BOBCAT. Scout platoon secured route plowing trails south of FS/PB BOBCAT and secured FS/PB BOBCAT with one find. The platoon found and destroyed 1 bunker vic YS784-757. A Co 86th Engrs cleared 54 acres today for a total to date of 1,142 acres cleared. The Engrs have 5 dozers operational and 3 deadlined. They have 12 route plow operational and 10 deadlined. Traces cleared today from YS785772 to YS785772, from YS785772 to YS785772, from YS785772 to YS785772, from YS785772 to YS785772, from YS785772 to YS785772.
25 Nov: Opn SANTA FE II was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. The 2-47 (H) Inf continued S&D and security ops within AO. A Co secured FS/PB LEOPARD and conducted local patrolling without contact. At 1800H, A Co cleared OPCON to B/2-47 for security of Engrs Base vic YS8074. B Co remained OPCON 1st Bde for security of FS/PB WILDCAT and conducted patrolling without contact. C Co secured FS/PB LINX until 1900H, then moved to secure FS/PB BOBCAT. Established and secured Engrs base vic YS8074. The company also conducted local patrolling without contact. Scout platoon secured clearing teams south of FS/PB BOBCAT and secured forward Engrs base vic YS8074 without incident. A Co 86th Engs cleared 75 acres today for a total cleared to date of 1301 acres. The Co have 7 dozers operational and 1 deadline. They have 19 rome plows operational and 3 deadline. Traces cleared today from YS798764 to YS799765, from YS787764 to YS787765, from YS778764 to YS778264, from YS778764 to YS778264.

26 Nov: Opn SANTA FE II was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. 2-47 (M) Inf continued S&D and security ops within AO and secured clearing teams from 86th Engs clearing trails within Bde AO. A Co continued security of FS/PB LEOPARD and conducted local patrolling without contact. B Co remained OPCON to 1st Bde for security of FS/PB WILDCAT and local patrolling until relieved by B Trp 3-5 Cav at 1645H. The Co then moved to FS/PB LINX and continued to man OP vic YS778903 with one platoon. The Co secured FS/PB BOBCAT and provided one platoon for security of Engrs Base vic YS8074. The Co also conducted local patrolling and secured clearing teams clearing south of FS/PB LINX. The Co had a patrol find and disarmed one booby trapped grenade in vic YS752764. Scout platoon secured clearing teams clearing south of BOBCAT and secured Engrs Base vic YS8074 without contact. B Trp 3-5 Cav closed FS/PB WILDCAT and relieved B Co 2-47 (M) Inf of the security mission of that FS/PB. B Co continued to secure by OPCON to 1st Bde. A Co 86th Engs cleared 96 acres today for a total cleared to date of 1397. The Co has 19 rome plows operational and 3 deadline. They have 8 dozers on hand and all operational. Traces cleared today from YS792763 to YS794765, from YS789760 to YS790790.

27 Nov: Opn SANTA FE II was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. The 2-47 (M) Inf continued S&D and security ops within AO and provided security for clearing teams from 86th Engs clearing trails within Bde AO. A Co continued security of FS/PB LEOPARD and conducted local patrolling. The Co also relieved the plat of B Co on OP vic YS778903 with its 1st plat. There was no contact in A Co area today. B Co continued security of FS/PB LINX and conducted local patrolling. The 3rd plat found a VC complex vic YS798907 which contained 50 bunkers that had been destroyed. C Co continued to secure FS/PB BOBCAT and provided one plat for security for Engrs Base vic YS8074. The Co conducted local patrolling and provided security for 86th Engs clearing trails in AO without incident. The Scout plat secured Engrs Base vic YS8074 and secured Engrs clearing trail south of BOBCAT with one find in the area. In the vic YS810738 the plat found and destroyed 20 bunkers and 9 huts that appeared to be 2-3 weeks old. B/3-5 Cav secured FS/PB WILDCAT and conducted local patrolling. At 1500H a patrol from B/3-5 Cav sighted a man vic YS809752 who fled to the northwest. A Co 86th Engs cleared 66 acres today for a total cleared to date of 1,463 acres. The Engrs have 20 rome plows operational and 2 deadline. They have 7 dozers operational and 1 deadline. Traces cleared today from YS791764 to YS793764, from YS784763 to YS785765, from YS779760 to YS780799, from YS779760 to YS780799.

28 Nov: Opn SANTA FE II was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. The 2-47 (M) Inf continued S&D and security ops within AO and provided security for clearing teams from 86th Engs clearing trails within Bde AO. A Co continued security of FS/PB LEOPARD and conducted local patrolling without contact. B Co continued security of FS/PB LINX and conducted local patrolling in AO without contact. C Co continued to secure FS/PB BOBCAT.
and provided one plat for security for Engr Base vic YS8074. The Co conducted local patrolling and provided security for 86th Engr clearing trails in AO without incident. The Scout plat secured Engr Base vic YS8074 and secured Engr clearing trail south of WILDCAT without incident. B/3-5 Cav secured FS/PB WILDCAT and conducted local patrolling. At 1400H, a patrol from B/3-5 Cav found 1 Taunus bus body. The bus was left intact. A Co 86th Engr cleared 29 acres today for a total cleared to date of 1,492 acres. The Engr's have 20 Rome plows operational and 2 deadline. They have 7 dozers operational and none deadline. Traces cleared today from YS810740 to YS817722, from YS807747 to YS807746.

29 Nov: Opn SANTA Fe II was conducted by elements of the Ist Bde. The 2-47 (M) Inf continued S&G and security ops within AO and provided security for clearing teams from 86th Engr clearing trails within Bde AO. A Co continued security of FS/PB LEOPARD and conducted local patrolling without contact. One plat continued manning outpost at YE779991. B Co continued security of YS778802, and plat found a company size VC base camp consisting of 9 bunkers. Established AP at this location tonight, plan to destroy 30 November 1967. C Co continued to secure FS/PB BOBCAT and provided one plat for security for Engr Base vic YS8074 and secured Engr clearing trails in AO without incident. The scout plat secured Engr Base vic YS8074 and secured Engr clearing trail south of Bearcat without incident. B/3-5 Cav secured FS/PB WILDCAT and 86th Engr base vic YS819968 until 1800H at which time they were relieved in place by 1 plat D/1-11. Patrolling was conducted in assigned AO without contact. A Co 86th Engr cleared 21 acres today for a total cleared to date of 1,513 acres. The Engr's have 20 Rome plows operational and none deadline. Traces cleared today from YS819773 to YS819774.

30 Nov: Opn SANTA Fe III was conducted by elements of the Ist Bde. The 2-47 (R) Inf relocated units in preparation for phase III, Opn SANTA Fe. A Co conducted movement from FS/FB LEOPARD to vic YE779974 and became OPCON 3-5 Cav at 1040H. B Co conducted movement from FS/FB LEOPARD to vic YE779974 and became OPCON 3-5 Cav at 1040H. B Co conducted movement from FS/FB BOBCAT to vic YE779974 and became OPCON 3-5 Cav at 1040H. C Co conducted movement from FS/FB BOBCAT to vic YE779974 and became OPCON 3-5 Cav at 1040H. A Trp conducted movement from FS/FB BOBCAT to vic YE779974 and became OPCON 3-5 Cav at 1040H. A Trp conducted movement from FS/FB BOBCAT to vic YE779974 and became OPCON 3-5 Cav at 1040H. C Trp conducted movement from FS/FB BOBCAT to vic YE779974 and became OPCON 3-5 Cav at 1040H. A Co 86th Engr conducted movement from forward base located at YE779974 to FS/FB BOBCAT.

1 Dec: Opn SANTA Fe III was conducted by elements of Ist Bde. The 2-47 (N) Inf relocated units initiating Phase III of Opn SANTA Fe. A Co remained OPCON 3-5 Cav, B Co conducted movement from FS/FB PANTHER along Hwy 1, crossing LD at 0955H and closed FS/FB PANTHER at 1230H without incident. B Trp 3-5 Cav remained OPCON 2-47 (M) Inf and secured FS/PB WILDCAT, conducted local patrolling, and moved one plat from FS/PB BOBCAT to FS/PB WILDCAT. At 1140H, a patrol spotted one individual vic YE819999. A combat tracking team was dispatched to the area and a search was made with neg results. C Co conducted movement from FS/FB BOBCAT to FS/PB WILDCAT. One plat provided security for FS/PB BOBCAT until B/1-11 ARTY was airlifted at 1535H. The Scout platoon provided one section for security of a Co 86th Engr movement from FS/PB BOBCAT to FS/PB WILDCAT. One section moved to vic YE819999 and provided security of AVI. 3-5 Cav (-) attacked
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East along Hwy 1, crossing ID at 0655H and closed FS/PB ALLYCAT at 1241H without incident. A Trp attacked east along Hwy 1, crossing ID at 0915H and moved to vic 134971970 and outposted along Hwy 1. C Trp attacked east along Hwy 1, crossing ID at 0745H and established HUN position vic 25064997, and outposted along Hwy 1. At 1115H, 1539x30 a LST from 3-5 Cav sighted one individual pushing a bicycle loaded with food; also sighted in same area was a camp site. The individual was taken under fire with unknown results. The 43rd ARVN Regt conducted airmobile assault from FS/PB PUMA to secure objective FS/PB TONCAT and bridges located vic 25074998 and 25074999. Completion of air assault was at 1055H, LZ CALL. A Co 6th Engr conducted movement from FS/PB BOCAT to FS/PB TONCAT closing at 2100H.

2 Dec: Opn SANTA FE Phase IIA was conducted by elements of 1st Bde. The 2-47 (M) Inf continued outposting and screening along Hwy 1, continued to secure FS/PB FUMA and conduct S&D ops in AO. A Co remained OPCON 3-5 Cav. B Co secured FS/PB FUMA, provided one platoon to secure AVLB vic 35078997 and 35082989; named OP vic 35085000, conducted local patrolling and Roadrunner operation along Hwy 1. B Trp 3-5 Cav remained OPCON 2-47, secured FS/PB TONCAT, Engr base loc 15391971, and conducted local patrolling without contact. C Co loc vic 35085997, conducted local patrolling and outposted along Hwy 1. At 1723H, vic 15384002 a man destroyed 2 huts, 2 bunkers and assorted dishes. The scout platoon provided one section to secure FS/PB FUMA, and one section secured AVLB vic 35083999. The 3-5 Cav (--) conducted S&D ops north and south of Hwy 1 in AO, secured FS/PB ALLYCAT and conducted road march along Hwy 1 to vic 25074998. A Trp secured FS/PB ALLYCAT, outposted along Hwy 1, and conducted patrolling in AO without contact. A/2-47 (M) Inf remained OPCON 3-5 Cav (--), conducted Roadrunner ops between FL JANG and FS/PB ALLYCAT. At 1645H, vic 35085997, 1C received 1 RPK fire. Fire was returned with SA, RPK & SAW w/unk results. There were neg US cas or damage. B Trp remained OPCON 2-47 (M) Inf. D Trp outposted Hwy 1, moved 1 plat east along Hwy 1 to bridge sites located south of FS/PB TONCAT. At 1900H, vic 35087997, 1C received SA/AW fire. Fire was returned w/unk results. Neg US cas or damage. 43rd ARVN Regt secured FS/PB FUMA, bridges loc 25074998 and conducted patrolling east of FS/PB TONCAT without contact.

3 Dec: Opn SANTA FE Phase III was conducted by elements of 1st Bde. The 2-47 (M) Inf continued outposting and screening along Hwy 1, continued to secure FS/PB FUMA and conducted S&D ops in AO. A Co remained OPCON 3-5 Cav. B Co secured FS/PB FUMA, provided elements to secure AVLB vic 35078997 and 35082989; named OP vic 35085000, conducted local patrolling and Roadrunner ops without incident. B Trp 3-5 Cav remained OPCON 2-47 (M) Inf; secured FS/PB TONCAT and 46th Engr base loc 35080997, and conducted local patrolling without contact. C Co loc vic 35085997, conducted local patrolling, outposted along Hwy 1, and conducted Roadrunner ops. At 1608H, vic 35085998 1C found 1 pack containing 1 gas mask, 1 pair trousers, and 3 books. Will evacuate gas mask and books; will destroy trousers and pack. The scout platoon provided 1 section to secure FS/PB FUMA, and one section secured AVLB vic 35083999. The 3-5 Cav (--) conducted S&D ops in AO, outposted along Hwy 1, and conducted Roadrunner ops without incident. A Trp secured FS/PB ALLYCAT, outposted along Hwy 1, conducted local patrolling and reconned Hwy 28 south to Han Tan without contact. B Trp remained OPCON 2-47 (M) Inf. C Trp outposted Hwy 1, secured Engr effort repairing bridges at 25074998 and 25074999. At 1645H, vic 25095996, 1C discovered plat size base camp consisting of 3 houses, 4 bunkers w/OH cover, 4 CBU bomblets, 1 chicom hand grenade, and assorted dishes. All of the items were destroyed except for some of the dishes.
S&D ops in close cooperation and coordination with 3rd ARVN Regt secured Engr clearing along Hwy 1 and conducted petrol-pump ops today. 21rine plows operational and conductive, and 15 live stock left in place. At 1235H, via T7810055, we found 2 bunkers, 15'x20' with 2 huts in same area. All were destroyed. The scout plat secured FS/PB PMU, conducted local patrolling without incident. 3-5 Cav (-) conducted S&D ops in close coordination and cooperation with 3rd ARVN Regt, secured Engr upgrading Hwy 1, conducted roadrunner ops and secured FS/PB ALIDCT. A trp secured FS/PB ALIDCT; outposted along Hwy 1; conducted local patrolling and roadrunner ops without contact. 3-5 Cav (+) conducted local patrolling; outposted along Hwy 1; and conducted roadrunner ops without incident. 3-5 Cav (-) outposted along Hwy 1, secured Engr upgrading of Hwy 1, and conducted combined S&D ops with 3rd ARVN east to III Corp boundary. At 0915H, via ZT8046005, we located an OP consisting of 1 bunker W/O, 5 one man lean-tos, small amount of rice and grain, cooking utensils, and 2 rice bowls. All of the items were destroyed except for the grain and rice (eaten). 3rd ARVN Regt secured FS/PB PMU and conducted S&D ops east of T7810055 to III Corp boundary. At 0959H, via ZS089992, we found squad size OP, consisting of 1 bunker W/O HC 3'x3'x3', and 1 hut. All were destroyed. At 0959H, via ZS089992, an element found 3 fortified bunkers with 1 HC, nice clothes, cooking utensils 60 loose chickens, 1 dead pig, 1 live pig, and unknown amount of medical supplies. The medical supplies will be evacuated, the other items be destroyed, and live stock left in place. At 1100H, via ZS104797, we engaged 2 VC with neg results. The Engr cleared 118 acres today. At ZS- 9285977, Z3859998 and Z3985999 the Engr cleared sites for OP. They have 21 rice plow operational and none deadlined. They have 8 dozers operational and none deadlined. The 11 bridge sites to be improved; work was initiated on 4 today.

5 Des: Opn 9MNTZ FE Phase III was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. The 3-5 Cav (+) outposted and screened along Hwy 1, secured FS/PB PMU, secured Engr clearing along Hwy 1 and conducted patrolling in AO. A Co remained VQVN 3-5 Cav. B Co secured FS/PB FRC3; provided elements to secure VQVN vic ZS78997; manned OP in vic ZT805055; conducted patrolling and roadrunner ops without incident. B trp 3-5 Cav (-) remained VQVN 3-5 Cav; manned OP vic ZS859992; conducted local patrolling; and secured Hwy 1 from FS/PB WILDCAT to bridge loc ZS859992. C Co conducted local patrolling, outposted along Hwy 1 and conducted roadrunner ops without incident. The Scout plat conducted S&D ops and secured Engr upgrading Hwy 1, 3-5 Cav (+) conducted S&D ops in close cooperation and coordination with 3rd ARVN Regt, secured Engr v/- primitive OP; conducted roadrunner ops and secured FS/PB ALIDCT. A trp secured FS/PB ALIDCT; outposted along Hwy 1; conducted local patrolling and roadrunner ops without contact. 3-5 Cav (-) remained VQVN 3-5 Cav and relocated OP via ZS989999; conducted local patrolling; outposted and screened Hwy 1, at 1655H via ZS099999, we found 2 miles W/O ID. They were evacuated for interrogation. B trp remained VQVN 3-5 Cav; manned OP in vic ZS859999; established FS/PB in vic 1 plot of B/1-111 ART; conducted roadrunner ops; outposted and screened Hwy 1, and conducted S&D ops in close cooperation and coordination with 3rd ARVN Regt, secured FS/PB WILDCAT; conducted airmobile assault to LZ vic ZS186999; conducted roadrunner ops south from that loc to Hwy 1, the S&D ops cleared 187 acres today for a total of 305 to date. They have 21 rice plow operational and none evacuated for repair. They have 8 dozers operational and none deadlined. Bridge construction was continued by Engrs at ZS879997 and completed today.

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6 Dec: Opn SANTA FE Phase III was conducted by elements of 1st Bde. The 2-47 (M) Inf continued outposting and screening along Hwy 1, secured FS/PB PMU, secured Engr clearing along Hwy 1 and conducted patrolling in AO. A Co remained OPCON 3-5 Cav. B Co secured FS/PB PMU; provided ele to secure AVLB vic 1592998; manned OP vic 15905005; conducted S&D opns north of FS/PB PMU without contact. B trp 3-5 Cav remained OPCON 2-47 (N) Inf; secured FS/PB WILDCT; conducted local patrolling, and secured 3-5 Cav ops in close coordination and cooperation with 43rd ARVN Rgt, secured Engr upgrading Hwy 1; conducted roadrunner ops; and secured Hwy 1. A/2-47 (M) Inf continued outposting and screening along Hwy 1, conducted local patrolling, outposted along Hwy 1 and conducted roadrunner ops without incident. The scout platoon conducted roadrunner ops and secured Engr upgrading Hwy 1. 3-5 Cav (-) conducted S&D ops in close coordination and cooperation with 43rd ARVN Rgt; secured Engr upgrading Hwy 1; conducted roadrunner ops, and secured FS/PB ALLYCAT. A trp secured FS/PB WILDCT; outposted along Hwy 1; conducted local patrolling; roadrunner ops; and secured Engr rebuilding bridges in AO. A/2-47 (M) Inf remained OPCON 3-5 Cav; OP loc 15944998; outposted and screened Hwy 1; conducted local patrolling south of Hwy 1 in zone and conducted roadrunner ops without contact. B trp remained OPCON 2-47. C trp CP loc 15913998; conducted S&D ops in close coordination and cooperation with 43rd ARVN Rgt; secured FS/PB ALLYCAT; conducted local patrolling in AO. The 2-47 Inf continued outposting and screening along Hwy 1, conducted S&D ops in close coordination and cooperation with the 43rd ARVN Rgt; secured Engr clearing and upgrading along Hwy 1, conducted roadrunner ops, secured FS/PB ALLYCAT, and assisted 43rd ARVN Rgt in securing FS/PB TOCAT. A/3-5 Cav secured FS/PB WILDCT; secured Hwy 1 and Engr clearing operations in zone and continued to secure FS/PB PMU. C/2-47 conducted S&D ops vic YT9803, located 2 huts containing rice, plates and rice vic YT8727, rice and utensils and evac 50 lbs of rice. B/3-5 Cav secured FS/PB WILDCT, Hwy 1 and Engr clearing ops in zone and conducted local patrolling without contact. Scout platoon secured Hwy 1 and Engr clearing ops in zone. The 3-5 Cav conducted S&D ops in close coordination and cooperation with the 43rd ARVN Rgt; provided security for Engr clearing and upgrading along Hwy 1, conducted roadrunner ops, secured FS/PB ALLYCAT, and assisted 43rd ARVN Rgt in securing FS/PB TOCAT. A/3-5 Cav secured FS/PB ALLYCAT; secured Hwy 1 and conducted patrolling 1000 meters north and south of Hwy 1 in zone. B/3-5 Cav remained OPCON 2-47 (N) Inf; C/3-5 Cav secured Hwy 1 from YT903997 to YT901251 and outposted all critical pts along Hwy 1 in zone. C/2-47 (M) Inf secured Hwy 1 in zone; secured bridge sites 8 and 9 and provided one plt to assist 43rd ARVN Rgt in securing FS/PB TOCAT. LST discovered a bunker and possible tunnel entrance vic YT791025 which will be checked out tomorrow. 1-43rd ARVN Secured FS/PB TOCAT and conducted local patrolling. The Engr cleared 302 acres today. Total area cleared to date is 470 acres. They have 20 rice plow operational and 2 deadlined. They have 8 dozer operational and none deadlined. Construction was continued on bridges in AO. At 1205H, vic 15839825, FAC observed secondary explosion during air riles.

7 Dec: Opn SANTA FE Phase III was conducted by elements of 1st Bde. T/2-47 (N) Inf continued outposting and screening along Hwy 1, secured FS/PB PMU, secured Engr clearing along Hwy 1 and conducted patrolling in AO. A Co remained OPCON 3-5 Cav. B Co secured FS/PB PMU with reinforced sqd; secured Hwy 1 and Engr clearing operations in zone and continued to secure FS/PB PMU. C/2-47 conducted S&D ops vic YT8603, located 2 huts containing rice, plates and rice vic YT8727, rice and utensils and evac 50 lbs of rice. B/3-5 Cav secured FS/PB WILDCT, Hwy 1 and Engr clearing ops in zone and conducted local patrolling without contact. Scout platoon secured Hwy 1 and Engr clearing ops in zone. The 3-5 Cav conducted S&D ops in close coordination and cooperation with the 43rd ARVN Rgt; provided security for Engr clearing and upgrading along Hwy 1, conducted roadrunner ops, secured FS/PB ALLYCAT, and assisted 43rd ARVN Rgt in securing FS/PB TOCAT. A/3-5 Cav secured FS/PB ALLYCAT; secured Hwy 1 and conducted patrolling 1000 meters north and south of Hwy 1 in zone. B/3-5 Cav remained OPCON 2-47 (N) Inf; C/3-5 Cav secured Hwy 1 from YT903997 to YT901251 and outposted all critical pts along Hwy 1 in zone. C/2-47 (M) Inf secured Hwy 1 in zone; secured bridge sites 8 and 9 and provided one plt to assist 43rd ARVN Rgt in securing FS/PB TOCAT. LST discovered a bunker and possible tunnel entrance vic YT791025 which will be checked out tomorrow. 1-43rd ARVN Secured FS/PB TOCAT and conducted local patrolling. The Engr cleared 302 acres today. Total area cleared to date is 470 acres; from YT903997 to YT901251 and from YT92998 to YT92998. They have 19 rice plow operational and 3 deadlined, 8 dozer operational and none deadlined. Construction was continued on bridges in AO continued. Bridge at site 8 was completed today.

8 Dec: Opn SANTA FE Phase III was conducted by elements of 1st Bde. The 2-47 (N) Inf continued outposting and screening along Hwy 1, secured FS/PB PMU, secured Engr clearing along Hwy 1 and conducted patrolling in AO. A Co remained OPCON 3-5 Cav. B Co manned OP vic YT-905005 with reinforced sqd and provided security along Hwy 1 for Engr clearing and upgrading Hwy 1 in zone. The Co also conducted S&D vic YT9102 and secured FS/PB PMU without contact. C Co conducted S&D ops vic YT87979 and secured Hwy 1 in zone. The Co provided security for the Engr clearing and upgrading Hwy 1 in their area without incident. B trp 3-5
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Cav remained OPCON 2-47 (K) Inf and secured FS/PB WILDCAT. The trp secured Hwy 1 in zone and conducted S&D opns vic T785493 without contact. The trp also provided Bde RRF but was not committed. The scout platoon secured Hwy 1 in zone without contact. The 3-5 Cav conducted S&D clearing operations in zone, secured Engr clearing operations along Hwy 1 in zone, secured FS/PB WILDCAT and provided one platoon to assist 1-43rd ARVN Regt in securing FS/PB TOMCAT. A/3-5 Cav secured FS/PB ALLEYCAT, secured Hwy 1 in zone and conducted patrolling 1000 yards north and south of OP. B & C Co remained OPCON 2-47 (K) Inf. B/3-5 Cav secured Hwy 1 from ZS090977 to ZT195018, and outposted 8 casualties. TF 2-47 (M) Inf continued outposting and screening along Hwy 1 remained OPCON 2-47 (M) Inf.

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A Co, 2-47 (H) Inf assumed responsibility for the security of Hwy 1 from vic ZS9398 to vic ZT1901, secured FS/PB ALLEYCAT and provided one platoon to assist 1-43rd ARVN Regt in securing FS/PB TOMCAT. A/3-5 Cav secured FS/PB ALLEYCAT, secured Hwy 1 in zone and conducted patrolling 1000 yards north and south of OP. B & C Co remained OPCON 2-47 (K) Inf. C/3-5 Cav secured Hwy 1 from ZS090977 to ZT195018, and outposted 8 casualties. TF 2-47 (M) Inf. B Co remained OPCON 2-47 (K) Inf. C/3-5 Cav secured Hwy 1 from ZS090977 to ZT195018, and outposted Hwy 1 in zone without contact. B/3-5 Cav secured Hwy 1 from ZS090977 to ZT195018, and outposted all critical points along Hwy 1 in zone. A/2-47 (H) Inf. Secured Hwy 1 in zone, secured bridge sites 8 & 9 and provided one platoon to assist 1-43rd ARVN Regt in securing FS/PB TOMCAT. 1-43rd ARVN Regt secured FS/PB TOMCAT and conducted an S&D opns vic ZS189090 without contact. The Engr cleared 310 acres today. Total area cleared to date is 946 acres; from ZS189093 to ZS187998. They have 22 more plows operational and 0 deadlined; 8 dozers operational and 0 deadlined. Construction of bridges in AO continued. Bridge site 1 was completed today.

9 Dec: Opn SANTA FE Phase III was conducted by elements of 1st Bde. TF 2-47 (M) Inf. Remained outposting and screening along Hwy 1 from vic ZS7997 to vic ZS9398, secured FS/PB PUMA, secured Engr clearing opns along Hwy 1 and conducted patrolling in AO. A Co remained OPCON 3-5 Cav. B Co manned OP vic YT890505 with a reinfos squad, secured FS/PB PUMA, and conducted S&D opns along Hwy 1 and Hwy 356 in zone without contact. C Co conducted S&D opns vic ZS88879 without contact and secured Engr clearing opns and Hwy 1 in zone. B trp, 3-5 Cav secured FS/PB WILDCAT, secured Engr clearing ops and Hwy 1 in zone, and conducted S&D opns vic ZS88879 without contact. The trp also provided the Bde RRF but was not committed. The scout platoon secured Hwy 1 without contact. They have 22 more plows operational and 0 deadlined; 8 dozers operational and 0 deadlined. Construction of bridges in AO continued. Bridge site 1 was completed today.

10 Dec: Opn SANTA FE Phase III was conducted by elements of 1st Bde. TF 2-47 (M) Inf. Remained outposting and screening along Hwy 1 from vic ZS7997 to vic ZS9398 and continued patrolling in AO. A Co remained OPCON 3-5 Cav. B Co manned OP vic ZS944794. The company secured bridge site #6, conducted roadrunner opns in zone, and outposted the Hwy. C Co dispatched its CP to FS/PB PUMA, manned to OP vic YT898002 and secured bridge site #5. The company also provided the road and conducted patrol opns in zone. B trp, 3-5 Cav secured FS/PB WILDCAT and bridge sites #6 & 7. The trp conducted a dismounted patrol vic FS/PB PUMA with no contact, outposted the Hwy and conducted roadrunner opns in zone. The scout platoon assisted in providing security for FS/PB PUMA and outposted Hwy 1 at approx 0930 a.m. of the Recon platoon received four rds S/A fire vic ZS934946. The platoon assumed responsibility for the security of Hwy 1 from vic ZS9398 to vic ZT1901, outposted the road and continued to provide security for Engr upgrading. A/2-47 (H) Inf. Remained outposting and screening along Hwy 1 in zone. B trp, 3-5 Cav remained OPCON 2-47 (K) Inf. C trp outposted Hwy 1 and conducted roadrunner opns in zone. A Co, 2-47 (H) Inf.
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secured FS/PB TUCAT, secured Hwy 1 and conducted roadrunner ops. TF NGOC (ARVN) was reconstituted by the release of 1-43rd ARVN Regt and the attachment of the 35th and 36th Ranger Bns (ARVN). The 36th Ranger Bn (ARVN) and CP TF NGOC (ARVN) displaced to FS/PB ALLYCLT. The 35th Ranger Bn (ARVN) outposted along Hwy 1 and provided one company to assist in securing FS/PB ALLYCLT. The Engr cleared 191 acres today. Total area cleared to date is 1,185 acres. From vic 15311969 to vic 15290970. They have 20 route plows operational and 3 deadlined; 8 dozers were operational and 4 deadlined. Construction on bridges in AO continued. Bridge sites #4, 5, 6, 7, 8 were completed today. At approx 1615H the bde log convoy returning to Xuan Loc received 3 rds S/A fire vic 16160065. Convoy continued. No US casualties.

11 Dec: Opn SANTA FE Phase III was conducted by elements of 1st Bde. TF 2-47 (M) Inf continued its mission of securing Hwy 1 in zone, provided security for Engr clearing ops and conducted patrolling in AO. A Co remained OPCON 3-5 Cav. B Co continued to provide security for Engr ele in zone and conducted local patrolling north of Hwy 1 without contact. C Co continued to secure FS/PB FUMA and man CP vic YT590802. The company outposted Hwy 1 in zone and conducted local patrolling north of the road. Tracks of approx 15 VC were discovered vic 15292999. A track and a dust trail team was brought in to pursue this area. C trp 3-5 Cav secured FS/PB WILDCAT and bridge sites #1, 2. The trp also conducted roadrunner ops in zone and patrolled north of FS/PB WILDCAT without contact. Scout plt assisted in securing Engr ele along Hwy 1. TF 3-5 Cav continued to secure Engr ops along Hwy 1 and to conduct 3/5 Cav provided security for FS/PB ALLYCLT, outposted Hwy 1, secured Engr clearing ops along Hwy 1 and conducted patrols to vic 15289581. No casualties or damage were incurred. Artillery engaged enemy with unknown results. A Co, 2-47 (M) Inf secured FS/PB TUCAT, outposted Hwy 1 and conducted roadrunner ops. The company patrolled to vic 15260028 and located several trail mks and other signs of activity vic 15265921. TF NGOC (ARVN) continued to organize its new positions at FS/PB WILDCAT occupied by TF CP and 35th Engr Bn (ARVN) and to prepare for future operations. The 36th Ranger Bn (ARVN) outposted along Hwy 1, secured Engr ops along Hwy 1 and provided one company to assist in securing FS/PB ALLYCLT. One TF ele reported sighting a VC vic 152815230 without results. The Engr cleared 146 acres today. Total area cleared to date is 1610 acres, from vic 15319969 to vic 15290980. They have 22 route plows operational and one deadlined and all eight dozers operational. Bridge sites #3, 7 & 10 were completed today. Work continues on site #11, the only bridge still unfinished.

12 Dec: Opn SANTA FE Phase III was conducted by elements of 1st Bde. TF 2-47 (M) Inf continued its mission of securing Hwy 1 in zone, provided security for Engr clearing ops and conducted patrolling in AO. A Co remained OPCON 3-5 Cav. B Co continued to provide security for Engr ops along Hwy 1 in zone and patrolled north to vic 15290999 without contact. C Co provided security for FS/PB FUMA and manned CP vic YT590802. The company also conducted a patrol north to vic YT5912042 without incident and secured Hwy 1 and Engr clearing ops in its area. B Trp, 3-5 Cav continued to secure FS/PB WILDCAT and Hwy 1 and conducted roadrunner ops. The company patrolled to vic 15281999 without contact. The Scout plt assisted in securing the hwy. TF 3-5 Cav continued to outpost and secure Hwy 1 and secured Engr clearing ops along the hwy in its AO. A Trp provided security for FS/PB WILDCAT, outposted Hwy 1 and secured the road in its zone. One detainee, a female who was evacuated to BLACKHAWSE. B Trp remained OPCON 2-47 (M) Inf. C Trp secured Hwy 1 in zone, conducted roadrunner ops and patrolled north of the road to vic YT75017. At this loc the patrol found and destroyed two bunkers, a small bag of rice and solid evidence of a fire approx 2 days old. A Co 2-47 (M) Inf secured FS/PB TUCAT, outposted the hwy in zone and patroled north to vic 15286026. TF NGOC (ARVN) began a 2-day battalion-sized S&D opn south of Hwy 1. 35th Engr Bn (ARVN) moved by trk.

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from FS/PB ALLIGCAT to brev site #8, direct and searched to ROM vic 25071-967. The bn discovered and destroyed a 660 lb rice cache vic 250839976, located a small base camp vic 25071969 and destroyed 3 bunkers and some sewing parta. Site of br: received 2 rds 3/4 fire vic 25083973. The bn also reported 2 detainees. One was an 18 yr old female; the other a 25 yr old deserter who was evacuated to Ham Tan. Another element of the battalion swept Hwy 2B south as far as Ham Tan. The 36th Engr Bn (ARVN) continued to occupy outposts along Hwy 1 and provided one company to assist in securing FS/PB ALLIGCAT. The Engr cleared 169 acres today. Total area cleared to date is 1779 acres vic 3S0697 to vic 2502498. They have 22 rome plows operational and 1 deadlined; all 8 dozers operational. Clearing ops continue in AO.

13 Dec: Opn SANTA FE Phase III was conducted by elements of 1st Bde. TF 2-47 (H) Inf continued its mission of securing Hwy 1 in zone, provided security for Engr clearing ops and conducted patrolling in AO. A Co remained OPCON 3-5 Cav. B Co continued to provide security for Engr ops along Hwy 1 in zone and conducted patrolling vic 1B9379 without contact. C Co provided security for FS/PB PUKA and Engr ops along Hwy 1. The company also conducted patrolling vic 1B9296 without contact. B Trp 3-5 Cav remained OPCON 2-47 (M) Inf and secured FS/PB ALLIGCAT and secured Hwy 1 in zone. The Trp also conducted patrolling vic 1B9296 without contact. The Scout Platoon assisted in securing Hwy 1 in zone without incident. TF 3-5 Cav continued to outpost and secure Hwy 1 and secured Engr ops along Rte 2B. A Trp provided security for FS/PB ALLEYCAT and outposted Hwy 1 in zone. The Trp also secured Engr clearing and upgrading Rte 2B without incident. B Trp remained OPCON 2-47 (M) Inf. C Trp secured Hwy 1 in zone and secured the Engr clearing and upgrading Hwy 1 in zone without contact. The Trp also conducted patrolling vic 1Z9158 without incident. B Trp remained OPCON 2-47 (M) Inf, secured Hwy 1 in zone and conducted patrolling vic 1Z9093 with one find. The Co found and destroyed 2 bunkers and one hut vic 1Z907038. TF NDOC continued S&D ops from vic 250697 to the west back to FS/PB ALLEYCAT with the 35th Ranger Bn without contact. The 36th Ranger Bn continued to man outpost along Hwy 1 without incident. The female detainees that the 35th Rangers detained 12 Dec 67 will be evacuated to Xuan Loc tomorrow for further questioning. She admitted she has been a VC for 2 years and 2 months.

14 Dec: Opn SANTA FE Phase III was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. TF 2-47 (H) Inf continued to secure Hwy 1 in zone and provided security for Engr clearing ops. The Bn also conducted local patrolling. A Co remained OPCON to 3-5 Cav. B Co secured Hwy 1 in zone and provided security for Engr clearing Hwy 1 in zone. The Co also conducted patrolling vic 1B9379 without contact. C Co secured FS/PB PUKA and continued naming OF vic 1Y98-8002. The Co outposted Hwy 1 in zone and conducted patrolling vic 1T9903 without contact. B Trp 3-5 Cav remained OPCON 2-47 (M) Inf secured FS/PB ALLIGCAT and secured Hwy 1 in zone. The Trp also conducted patrolling vic 1S8929 and 1S8979 without contact. The Scout Platoon assisted in security of Hwy 1 without incident. TF 3-5 Cav continued S&D and security ops along Hwy 1 in zone and secured FS/PB ALLIGCAT and TONTAC. The Scout Platoon also secured Engr ops along Hwy 1 and Rte 2B. A Trp secured FS/PB ALLEYCAT and secured Hwy 1 in zone. The Trp also secured Engr cutting ops along Rte 2B without incident. B Trp remained OPCON 2-47 (M) Inf. C Trp secured Hwy 1 in zone and conducted patrolling vic 251494, with one find. The 2nd Platoon found and destroyed 2 bunkers and 2 huts vic 2514946. A Co 2-47 (Y) Inf secured FS/PB TONTAC and outposted Hwy 1 in zone. The Co also conducted patrolling vic 250798 without contact. TF NDOC continued to man OP's along Hwy 1 with the 36th Ranger Bn. The 35th Ranger Bn conducted maintenance and prepared for future ops. The female detainee captured by the 35th Ranger Bn on 12 Dec 1967 was turned over to ARVN units located in Ham Tan.
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15 Dec: Opn SANTA FL Phase III was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. TF 2-47 (M) Inf conducted to secure Hwy 1 in zone and provide security for Engr clearing and upgrading Hwy 1. The Bn also conducted local patrolling and secured FS/PB WILDCAT and FUKA. A Co remained OICON 3-5 Cav. B Co secured Hwy 1 in zone and Engr clearing and upgrading Hwy 1 in zone. The Co conducted patrolling vic 135998 and continued manning OP vic 1358902. The Co also outposted Hwy 1 in zone and conducted patrolling vic 135899 without contact. B Trp 3-5 Cav secured FS/PB WILDCAT and outposted Hwy 1 in zone. The Trp also conducted patrolling vic 135999 without contact. The Scout plat assisted in patrolling and security ops in zone. All units under 2-47 (M) Inf control conducted Roadrunner ops along Hwy 1. TF 3-5 Cav continued Opn SANTA FL Phase III and conducted S&D and security ops in zone. The Sqdn also secured FS/PB WILDCAT and FUKA. A Trp secured FS/PB ALLEYCAT and outposted Hwy 1 in zone. The Trp also secured Engr clearing and upgrading Hwy 1 and Rte 2B without contact. B Trp remained OICON 2-47 (M) Inf. C Trp secured Hwy 1 in zone and provided security for Engr clearing and upgrading Hwy 1 in zone. The Trp conducted patrolling vic 135998 without contact. A Co 2-47 (M) Inf secured FS/PB TOWCAT and secured Engr clearing and upgrading Hwy 1 in zone. The Co conducted patrolling vic 135998 with one find. The 2nd plat found 2 small punji pits, 2 huts, and a 150 lb rice grinding machine, which were destroyed, in the vic 13533976. All elements under the control of 3-5 Cav conducted Roadrunner ops along Hwy 1 and 2B. TF Binh Tuy continued to man OPs along Hwy 1 with the 36th Rngr Bn and began a 2 day opn in area from Ap Song Phan vic 270100. There was no contact in the TF Binh Tuy area today. Engr cleared 240 acres today for a total of 2573 acres cleared to date. They have 25 plows operational and 2 deadlined, 13 elcared 240 acres today for a total of 2573 acres cleared to date. They have 25 plows operational and 2 deadlined; 13 elcared 240 acres today for a total of 2573 acres cleared to date. They have 25 plows operational and 2 deadlined, 13 deadlined, and 2 plows unchsted.
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17 Dec: Opn S.MNTA P3 Phase III was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. The 1st Bde secured FS/PB LUDCAT and Hwy 1 from eastern boundary of AO to YS825984 with the Scout Plt 2-47 (i.) Inf which remained OJCON 1st Bde. The 2-47 (k) Inf secured FS/PB TOCAT and CIVET. FS/PB CIVET loc is 25141998. The BN secured the area clearing and upgrading Hwy 1 in zone and conducted headrunner ops along Hwy 1. A Co secured FS/PB TOCAT and bridge site in zone. The Co also conducted headrunner ops along Hwy 1 in zone for a total to date of 3108. They have 20 rme plows operational and 4 deadlined; 2 dozers operational and 0 deadlined.

18 Dec: Opn S.MNTA P3 Phase III was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. The 1st Bde secured FS/PB WILDCAT and Hwy 1 from eastern boundary of AO to YS825984 with the Scout Plt 2-47 (i.) Inf which remained OJCON 1st Bde. The 2-47 (k) Inf secured FS/PB LUDCAT and CIVET. The BN secured Engr clearing and upgrading Hwy 1 in zone and conducted headrunner ops along Hwy 1. A Co secured FS/PB ROUCAT and bridge sites along Hwy 1 in zone. The company conducted headrunner ops along Hwy 1 in zone. The Co conducted patrolling via ZS039991 with two platoons. In the vic 25077972, the Co found and destroyed two bunkers with 0-6 cover that were 16 x 16 x 51, and in the vic 25047991, the Co secured two bunkers and a raised sleeping area. The Co also found nine documents in the bunkers that were evacuated. B Co continued to occupy CP in vic 25067994 and secured bridge sites and Hwy 1 in zone. The Co conducted headrunner ops along Hwy 1 without contact. The Co conducted night ambush patrols and roadrunner ops. The Co continued to occupy CP in vic ZS104991 and secured bridge sites and Hwy 1 in zone. The 15 Engr departed Bde AO 171400H with B Co and the bridge Co and closed Yxan Loc at 171625H. The Engr will move from Yxan Loc to Boacat along Hwy 1 and Hwy 15 with security provided by 3-s1 Cav. The company will continue to occupy CP today for a total date of 3108. They have 25 rme plows operational and 4 deadlined; 2 dozers operational and 0 deadlined.

19 Dec: The PLATO B.D.CW. CP and /-PB LUDCAT (TS519565) was secured by the Scout Platoon, 2-47 (i.) Inf. The 2-47 (k) Inf (-) continued to secure FS/PB TOCAT and FS/PB CIVET; provided security for Engr elements clearing and upgrading Hwy 1 within the 2-47 area; provided security ops along critical bridge sites; provided security for the V.P. Vice President's inspection tour of Hwy 1; and reinforced TF w/Thuy's (-) CP at the inspection route. The Co A secured FS/PB LUDCAT and secured Hwy 1 in zone. The 36th Ranger BN continued to secure Hwy 1 in zone. The Co secured bridge sites 1,2,3,4,5 & 6 without contact. The 35th Ranger BN secured FS/PB LUDCAT and secured Hwy 1 in zone without contact.

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IONAL outposts along Hwy 1 within TF Binh Tuy’s AO to provide security along the VN Vice President’s inspection route; conducted roadrunner ops and night ambush patrols with neg enemy contact for the 24 hr period. Co C 2-47 (M) Inf continued to secure FS/PB CIVCAT, outposted the critical bridge sites within the compny AO; provided security for the Engr elements clearing and upgrading Hwy 1; conducted night roadrunner and night ambush patrols with neg enemy contact for the 24 hr period. TF Binh Tuy (ARVN), in close cooperation and coordination with FSGT PATRIOTS, secured FS/PB ALIYCAT and the critical bridge sites along Hwy 1 in zone. The 36th Ranger Bn (TF Binh Tuy) continued to secure Hwy 1 in zone by outposting bridge sites 1 through 6; conducted local patrolling and night ambushes with neg enemy contact for the 24 hr period. The 35th Ranger Bn secured FS/PB ALLYCAT, a curd-d Hwy 1 in zone; conducted local patrols and night ambush patrols with neg enemy contact for the 24 hr period.

20 Dec: Opn SANTA FL Phase III was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. The 1st Bde secured FS/PB WYNDON and Hwy 1 from western boundary of AO to 2S035994; 7th scout plat 2-47 (M) Inf which remained OCON to 1st Bde. Co C 2-47 (M) Inf secured FS/PB’s WYNDON and CIVCAT, and Neg clearing and upgrading of Hwy 1 in zone. Night ambush patrols, listening posts and daylight combat patrols were also conducted. Company A secured FS/PB TOMCAT, secured bridge site #10, and staged night ambush patrols, roadrunner operations and night ambush patrols with neg contact. Company A continued to occupy CP Loc 25047394, secure bridge sites #7,8 & 9, conduct daylight patrolling vic 25-080000, and stage ambush patrols and listening posts in zone. Company C continued to secure FS/PB CIVCAT, secure bridge site #11, conduct daylight patrolling vic 25168998, roadrunner, ambush patrols and listening posts in zone with neg contact. The daylight patrol found 2 bunkers 10’x4’ w/o overhead cover, a large cooking pot and a small amount of cooked rice. The area appeared to have been vacated recently. TF Binh Tuy, in close cooperation and coordination with the 1st Bde, secured FS/PB ALIYCAT and secured Hwy 1 in zone. The 35th Ranger Bn (ARVN), continued to secure FS/PB ALIYCAT, conduct daylight patrolling vic ZTOO1001, and stage ambush patrols and listening posts with neg contact. The 36th Ranger Bn (ARVN) continued to secure bridge sites #1,2,3,4,5 & 6, Hwy 1 in zone, ambush patrols and listening posts with neg contact.

21 Dec: Opn SANTA FL Phase III was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. The 1st Bde secured FS/PB WYNDON and Hwy 1 from western boundary of AO to 2S035994, with scout plat 2-47 (M) Inf which remained OCON to 1st Bde. The 2-47 (M) Inf secured FS/PB’s TOMCAT and CIVCAT, and Neg clearing and upgrading of Hwy 1 in zone. Night ambush patrols, listening posts and daylight combat patrols were also conducted. Company A secured FS/PB TOMCAT, secured bridge site #10, staged night ambush patrols, roadrunner operations, listening posts and daylight patrolling (vic ZTO190500), with neg contact. Company B continued to occupy CP Loc 25047394, secure bridge sites #7,8 & 9, conduct daylight patrolling vic 25063998, and stage ambush patrols and listening posts in zone. The daylight patrol found two huts, water cans, water ladels, a saw, broom, a shovel, and 2 w/o overhead cover. The bunkers were new, 6’x12’ w/o overhead cover. Company C continued to secure FS/PB CIVCAT, secure bridge site #11, conducted patrolling vic 25140938, roadrunner, ambush patrols and listening posts in zone with neg contact. Company C continued to secure FS/PB CIVCAT, conduct daylight patrolling vic ZTOO1001, and stage ambush patrols and listening posts with neg contact. The 35th Ranger Bn (ARVN), continued to secure bridge sites #1,2,3,4,5 & 6, Hwy 1 in zone, ambush patrols and listening posts with neg contact.

The 1st Bde. The 1st Bde secured FS/PB WILDCAT and Hwy 1 from western boundary of AO to 2S825984 with scout plat 2-47 (M) Inf which remained CIC to 1st Bde. The 1st Bde secured FS/PB's TOMCAT and CIVET and upgraded of Hwy 1 in zone. Night ambush patrols, listening posts and daylight combat patrols were also conducted. Company A secured FS/PB TOMCAT, secured bridge site #10, staged night ambush patrols, roadrunner operations, and established listening posts in zone, provided security for the Engr element working east of FS/PB CIVET and staged ambush patrols and listening posts with negative contact. TF Binh Tuy, in close cooperation and coordination with the 1st Bde, secured FS/PB ALLYCAT, relieved Co B 2-47 (M) Inf at bridge site #7 and secured Hwy 1 in zone. The 35th Rngr Bn (ARVN) continued to secure FS/PB ALLYCAT, relieved Co B 2-47 (M) Inf at bridge site #7 and assumed the security of the bridge site and staged ambush patrols and listening posts with negative contact. The 36th Rngr Bn (ARVN) continued to secure bridge sites #1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6, Hwy 1 in zone, ambush patrols and listening posts. The TF Binh Tuy P.R.O. element commenced S&D opn vic 2S073953 at 1800H.

22 Dec: Opn SANTA Fs Phase III was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. The 1st Bde secured FS/PB WILDCAT and Hwy 1 from western boundary of AO to 2S825984 with scout plat 2-47 (M) Inf which remained CIC to 1st Bde. The 1st Bde secured FS/PB's TOMCAT and CIVET, and upgrading of Hwy 1 in zone. Night ambush patrols, listening posts and daylight combat patrols were also conducted. Company A secured FS/PB TOMCAT, secured bridge site #10, staged night ambush patrols, roadrunner operations, and established listening posts. Co A provided one platoon of tracks to transport an element from TF Binh Tuy to a location vic 2S9129 with scout plat 2-47 (M) Inf which remained OIC to 1st Bde. The 1st Bde secured FS/PB's TOMCAT and CIVET, and upgraded Hwy 1 in zone. Night ambush patrols, listening posts and daylight combat patrols were also conducted. Company A secured FS/PB TOMCAT, secured bridge site #10, staged night ambush patrols, roadrunner operations, and established listening posts. Co A (-) displaced to vic of FS/PB CIVET and assumed the security of the bridge site and staged ambush patrols and listening posts with negative contact. The 35th Rngr Bn (ARVN) continued to secure bridge sites #1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6, Hwy 1 in zone, ambush patrols and listening posts. The TF Binh Tuy P.R.O. element commenced S&D opn vic 2S073953 at 1800H.

23 Dec: Opn SANTA Fs Phase III was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. The 1st Bde secured FS/PB WILDCAT and Hwy 1 from western boundary of AO to 2S825984 with scout plat 2-47 (M) Inf which remained CIC to 1st Bde. The 2-47 (M) Inf secured FS/PB's TOMCAT and CIVET, and upgrading of Hwy 1 in zone. Night ambush patrols, listening posts and daylight combat patrols were also conducted. Company A secured FS/PB TOMCAT, secured bridge site #10, staged night ambush patrols, roadrunner operations, and established listening posts. Co A (-) displaced to vic of FS/PB CIVET and assumed the security of the bridge site and staged ambush patrols and listening posts with negative contact. The 35th Rngr Bn (ARVN) continued to secure bridge sites #1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6, Hwy 1 in zone, ambush patrols and listening posts. The TF Binh Tuy P.R.O. element commenced S&D opn vic 2S073953 at 1800H.

24 Dec: Opn SANTA Fs Phase III was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. The 1st Bde secured FS/PB WILDCAT and Hwy 1 from western boundary of AO to 2S825984 with scout plat 2-47 (M) Inf which remained CIC to 1st Bde. The 1st Bde secured FS/PB's TOMCAT and CIVET, and upgrading of Hwy 1 in zone. Night ambush patrols, listening posts and daylight combat patrols were also conducted. Company A secured FS/PB TOMCAT, secured bridge site #10, staged night ambush patrols, conducted roadrunner operations, and established listening posts. Co A (-) displaced to vic of FS/PB CIVET, detached one platoon to vic of FS/PB CIVET to assist C 2-47th in securing Engr effort east of FS/PB CIVET. 1st Bde. The 2-47th Bde. The 2-47th Bde. The 1st Bde secured FS/PB WILDCAT and Hwy 1 in zone. Night ambush patrols, listening posts and daylight combat patrols were also conducted. Company A secured FS/PB TOMCAT, secured bridge site #10, staged night ambush patrols, roadrunner operations, and established listening posts. Co A (-) displaced to vic of FS/PB CIVET and assumed the security of the bridge site and staged ambush patrols and listening posts with negative contact.
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point was established at PS/PH TOMCAT to survey indigenous traffic. The following are the results from the survey: traffic west to east: 4 Lambrettas, 6 motorcycles, 9 buses, traffic east to west: 17 trucks, 1 Lambrutta, 25 motorcycles, 5 buses. A traffic control point was established at PS/PH TOMCAT to survey indigenous traffic. The following data is the result of the survey: traffic west to east: total 34 vehicles; traffic east to west: total 34 vehicles. Type traffic: trucks - 35, buses - 14, automobiles - 7, motorcycles - 9, tractors - 1, jeeps - 2. At 1200 H/2-47 apprehended 2 male personnel in foliage type uniform w/o ID cards. Individuals were evacuated to Blackhorse. At 1940 H/2-47 apprehended one male individual, while checking traffic, without ID. Individual detained will be evacuated to Blackhorse on 25 Dec for further questioning. TF Binh Tuy, in close cooperation and coordination with the 1st Bde, secured FS/PH TUCAT and secured Hwy 1 in zone. The 35th Rngr Bn (ARVN) continued to secure FS/PH ALLYCAT, staged ambush patrols and listening posts. The 36th Rngr Bn (ARVN) continued to secure bridge sites along Hwy 1 in zone, ambush patrols and listening posts. P.R.U. element closed at PS/PH at 21/40 H.

25 Dec: Opn SANTA Bn Phase III was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. The 1st Bde secured FS/PH TUCAT and Hwy 1 from western boundary of AO to E25/0298 with scout plat 2-47 (M) Inf which remained ORCON 1st Bde. The 2-47 (M) Inf secured FS/PH's TUCAT and Civat. Night ambush patrols, listening posts and daylight recon patrols were also conducted. Co A secured FS/PH TUCAT, secured bridge site 710, night ambush patrols, conducted roadrunner operations, and established listening posts. Company B, with CP at PS/PH TUCAT, continued to secure FS/PH TUCAT, conducted roadrunner, ambush patrols and listening posts in zone. Co C 2-47 (M) Inf continued to secure FS/PH Civat, conduct daylight recon patrols, staged night ambush patrols and established listening posts in zone. A traffic control point was established at PS/PH TOMCAT to survey indigenous traffic. The following are the results from the survey: traffic west to east: 43 trucks, 4 Lambrettas, 42 motorcycles, 6 buses, traffic east to west: 26 trucks, 5 Lambrettas, 36 motorcycles, 7 buses. A traffic control point was established at PS/PH TUCAT to survey indigenous traffic. The following data is the result of the survey: traffic west to east: total 36 vehicles; traffic east to west: total 26 vehicles. Type traffic: trucks - 40, buses - 11, automobiles - 7, motorcycles - 4. TF Binh Tuy, in close cooperation and coordination with the 1st Bde, secured FS/PH ALLYCAT and secured Hwy 1 in zone. The 35th Rngr Bn (ARVN) continued to secure FS/PH ALLYCAT, staged ambush patrols and listening posts. The 36th Rngr Bn (ARVN) continued to secure bridge sites along Hwy 1 in zone, ambush patrols and listening posts.

26 Dec: Opn SANTA Fi Phase III was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. The 1st Bde secured FS/PH TUCAT and Hwy 1 from western boundary of AO to E25/0298 with scout plat 2-47 (M) Inf which remained ORCON 1st Bde. The 2-47 (M) Inf secured FS/PH's TUCAT and Civat and secured Engr clearing Rte 341 and upgrading Hwy 1 in zone. The Engr also conducted roadrunner opns along Hwy 1 in zone. A Co secured FS/PH TUCAT and secured Hwy 1 in zone. The Co also conducted patrolling via 271/20/0 with contact. B Co continued to secure bridge site 8 & 9 and conducted roadrunner opns along Hwy 1 in zone. The Co also secured Engr clearing Rte 341 and conducted patrolling via 27-0800 without contact. C Co secured FS/PH Civat and secured Hwy 1 in zone. The Co also conducted roadrunner operations along Hwy 1 in zone and conducted locs via 271/20/00. However, C Co detained 2 males at PS/PH Civat and evacuated both to PS/PH WILLCAT for questioning. One was released to 36th Rngr Bn as one of their personnel and one was evacuated to An Loc for further questioning. TF Binh Tuy, in close cooperation and coordination with 1st Bde, continued Opn SANTA Bn III. The 35th Rngr Bn (ARVN) continued to secure FS/PH ALLYCAT and conducted ambush patrols and listening posts. The 36th Rngr Bn (ARVN) continued to secure bridge sites along Hwy 1 in zone and conducted ambush patrols and listening posts without contact. The Rngr cleared 208 acres today for a total to date of 505. The Rngr have 25 doors operational, 3 declined, 3 doors operational, 0 declined.
The traffic control point at FS/PB WIILDCAT reported 38 vehicles moving east today and 61 vehicles moving west. The breakdown: 60 trucks, 16 buses, 9 cars, 14 cycles. The traffic control point at FS/PB CIVET reported traffic moving from east to west as 8 trucks, 6 Lambrettas, 17 cycles, 20 buses and traveling from west to east as 55 trucks, 14 Lambrettas, 6 cars, and 7 cycles.

27 Dec: Opn SANTA FL Phase III was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. The 1st Bde secured FS/PB WIILDCAT and Hwy 1 from western boundary of AO to US582984 with the Scout plat and 1st plat of C Co 2-47 (M) Inf which remained OPCON 1st Bde. The 2-47 (M) Inf secured FS/PB’s ALLEYCAT, TOUCAT, and CIVET, and secured Engr clearing along Hwy 1 and Rte 341. The 3rd Bn also conducted patrolling and roadrunner ops along Hwy 1. A Co continued security of FS/PB TOUCAT and Hwy 1. The Co also conducted roadrunner ops along Hwy 1 without contact. B Co moved to and secured FS/PB ALLEYCAT. The Co continued to secure Hwy 1 and conduct roadrunner ops along Hwy 1 without contact. C Co continued to secure FS/PB CIVET and Engr clearing along Rte 341. The Co released one plat OPCON with no contact. TF Binh Tay (ARVN) in close cooperation and coordination with 1st Bde, continued Opn SANTA FL Phase III. The 35th Ranger Bn (ARVN) was relieved of responsibility for security of FS/PB ALLEYCAT. The Bn continued to secure bridge sites 7 and ARVN CP’s 9 & 12. The Bn also outposted Hwy 1 and conducted patrolling via YS80787 without contact. The 36th Ranger Bn (ARVN) continued to occupy ARVN CP’s 1, 2, 4 and secured bridge sites 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6. The Bn also outposted Hwy 1 without contact. The Engr cleared 163 acres today for a total of 5196 to date. The Engr have 22 route plows operational, 5 deadlined. They have 3 dozers operational, 0 deadlined. The traffic control point at WIILDCAT reported 89 eastbound vehicles and 29 westbound today for a total of 118. Traffic control point at FS/PB CIVET reported 99 eastbound vehicles and 65 westbound for a total of 164 vehicles.

28 Dec: Opn SANTA FL Phase III was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. The 1st Bde secured FS/PB WIILDCAT and Hwy 1 from western boundary of AO to US582984 with the Scout plat. The 2-47 (M) Inf secured FS/PB’s ALLEYCAT, TOUCAT and CIVET and secured Engr clearing along Hwy 1 and Rte 341. The Co also conducted patrolling and roadrunner ops along Hwy 1. A Co continued security of FS/PB TOUCAT and Hwy 1. The Co also conducted roadrunner ops along Hwy 1 without contact. At 1135H, vic ZS101992, one plow destroyed three (3) bunkers w/ONC, three (3) huts and two (2) anti-personnel mines. The bunkers and huts were destroyed and mines were evacuated. B Co secured three (3) bunkers w/OHC, three (3) huts and two (2) anti-personnel mines. The bunkers and huts were destroyed and mines were evacuated. B Co secured FS/PB ALLEYCAT, conducted roadrunner ops along Hwy 1 and patrolled south on Hwy 1 without contact. C Co continued to secure FS/PB CIVET and Engr clearing along Rte 341 without incident. There was no contact in the Co area today. TF Binh Tay (ARVN) in close cooperation and coordination with 1st Bde, continued Opn SANTA FL Phase III. The 35th Ranger Bn (ARVN) continued security ops by securing bridge sites 7, 8, 9, 10 & 11. The 36th Ranger Bn (ARVN) continued to occupy ARVN CP’s 1, 2 and 4 and secured bridge sites 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6. The Bn also outposted Hwy 1 without contact. The Engr cleared 109 acres today for a total of 5305 to date. The Engr have 24 route plows operational and 0 deadlined. They have 3 dozers operational, 0 deadlined. The traffic control point at WIILDCAT reported 102 eastbound vehicles and 39 westbound today for a total of 141. Traffic control point at FS/PB CIVET reported 118 eastbound vehicles and 75 westbound for a total of 193 vehicles.

29 Dec: Opn SANTA FL Phase III was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. The 1st Bde secured FS/PB WIILDCAT with the Scout plat 2-47 (M) Inf. The 2-47 (M) Inf secured FS/PB’s ALLEYCAT, TOUCAT and CIVET and secured Engr clearing along Hwy 1. The Bn also conducted patrolling and roadrunner ops along Hwy 1. A Co continued security of FS/PB TOUCAT and Hwy 1. The Co also conducted roadrunner ops along Hwy 1. B Co secured FS/PB ALLEYCAT, conducted roadrunner ops along Hwy 1 and patrolled south on Hwy 1 without contact. C Co continued to secure FS/PB CIVET and conducted patrolling and roadrunner ops. There was no contact in the Co area today.

(ArVN), in close cooperation and coordination with 1st Bde, continued Opn SANTA FE Phase III. The 35th Ranger Bn continued security ops by securing bridge sites 7, 8, 9, 10 & 11 and OP's 9, 10 & 11. The 36th Engr Bn (ARVN) continued to occupy ARVN OP's 1, 2 & 4 and secured bridge sites 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5. The Bn also outposted Hwy 1 without contest. The Engr cleared 160 acres today for a total of 5,445 to date. The Engr have 23 Rome plows operational and 19 deadlined. They have 3 dozers operational and 4 deadlined. The traffic control point at ILDCat reported 27 eastbound vehicles and 56 westbound today for a total of 183. Traffic control point at FS/PB CIVET reported 29 eastbound vehicles and 49 westbound for a total of 138 vehicles.

30 Dec: Opn SANTA FE Phase III was conducted by elements of the 1st Bde. The 1st Bde continued Opn SANTA FE Phase III until 3000H at which time the 1st Bde CP and support elements of the Bde displaced to Bearcat. The 2-47 (K) Inf continued Opn SANTA FE Phase III and displaced its CP from FS/PB TOMCAT to FS/PB COUGAR, along with B Btry, 1-11 Arty. A Company remained in vic FS/PB TOMCAT as RRF and conducted roadrunner ops along Hwy 1. B Company displaced to FS/PB COUGAR and secured A Company 86th Engr clearing 160 acres today for a total of 5,706 acres to date. The Engr have 23 Rome plows and 3 dozers operational and none deadlined. Vehicle check point located at FS/PB COUGAR counted 111 vehicles (52 trucks, 14 cars, 12 buses, 13 Lambrettas, 15 motorcycles) eastbound and 84 vehicles (36 trucks, 7 cars, 10 buses, 13 Lambrettas, 18 motorcycles) westbound.

1 Jan: The 2-47 (K) Inf continued Opn SANTA FE Phase III. A Co CP loc vic FS/PB TOMCAT as RRF and conducted roadrunner ops along Hwy 1. B Co loc at FS/PB COUGAR secured Rome plows clearing Hwy 1 west of FS/PB WILDCAT. C Co secured FS/PB COUGAR and conducted local patrolling and roadrunner ops without contact. The Scout Platoon remained at Bearcat and conducted maintenance. The Engr cleared 156 acres today for a total of 6,442 acres. They have 20 plows operational and none deadlined. They have 3 dozers operational and none deadlined. Vehicle check point located at FS/PB COUGAR counted 111 vehicles (52 trucks, 15 cars, 12 buses, 15 Lambrettas, 12 motorcycles) eastbound and 84 vehicles (36 trucks, 7 cars, 10 buses, 13 Lambrettas, 18 motorcycles) westbound.

2 Jan: Opn SANTA FE Phase III was continued by 2-47 (K) Inf. Co A remained vic FS/PB TOMCAT, conducted local patrolling, roadrunners acted as RRF, and departed on road movement back to Bearcat at 1400H. Co A will fall under CPCUN of 4-39. Co B remained at FS/PB COUGAR and conducted ambush patrols, listening posts and roadrunner ops without contact. Co C secured the 86th Engr Rome plows working west of FS/PB COUGAR. Traffic control point at FS/PB COUGAR counted 117 vehicles eastbound and 80 westbound.

3 Jan: Opn SANTA FE Phase III was continued by 2-47 (M) Inf (-). Co A conducted motor march to Bearcat closing at 0000H without incident and became CPCUN of 4-39 Inf. B Co secured FS/PB COUGAR and Rome plows clearing along Hwy 1, west of FS/PB WILDCAT. Co C secured FS/PB COUGAR, Rome plows, and conducted roadrunner ops along Hwy 1. The Scout Platoon remained at Bearcat. The Rome plows cleared 156 acres today for a total of 6,442 acres. They have 23 Rome plows operational and none (1) deadlined. They have 3 dozers operational and 4 deadlined.
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4 Jan: Operation SANTA FE Phase III was continued by 2-47 (M) Inf (-). Co B and C continued to conduct local patrolling, security around FS/PB COUGAR and escort the 66th ENG crew plow working west of FS/PB COUGAR. Co A and Scout Platoon remained UPRCON to 4-39 Inf at Bearcat. Vehicle check point at FS/PB COUGAR reported 99 vehicles eastbound, 64 vehicles westbound. The plow plowed 166 acres today for a total of 6608 to date. All 19 plows and 2 dozers are operational.

5 Jan: Operation SANTA FE was continued by 2-47 (N) Inf (-) with local patrolling around FS/PB COUGAR. The 2-47's participation in Operation SANTA FE was terminated at 1525H when they crossed the SP starting the motor march to Bearcat. As of the closing time of this report, March Unit #1 is located at YT071131 and March Unit #2 at YT40101.

12. RESULTS:

a. Enemy Losses:

   (1) Personnel: VC KIA (3C) 18
       VC WIA 0
       Chieu Nhi 0
       Detainees 0

   (2) Equipment Captured:
       (a) Arms: 1 AK-47, 1 SKS, 2 Chicom type 50's
       (b) Ammu: 2 5KG rds, 3 hand grenades, 114 rds assorted SA ammo
       (c) Foodstuffs: 200 lbs rice, 25 lbs beans
       (d) Medical: 75 lbs assorted
       (e) Communications: 2 FRC-25's, 2 TM-50's
       (f) Documents: 1 map, 29 ltr assorted documents

   (3) Items Destroyed: 352 bunkers, 450 lbs rice

b. Friendly Losses:

   (1) Personnel:
       (a) KIA 0
       (b) WIA 0
       (c) WIA 1
       (d) KIA 0
       (e) NB 16

13. ADMINISTRATION:

a. The administration planning of Operation SANTA FE proved to be sound and the logistical combat service support was effective throughout the operation. However, adjustments were necessary in the Class I, III and medical support areas for PHASE III of the operation. Felled dry and canned vegetables were positioned at XUAN LOC (YT686094) to substitute for contingencies brought about by logistical convoys. Class III, 3 ten thousand gallon bladders were positioned at FS/COUGAR (YT841663) to expedite resupply of supported units and helicopters in support of the op. on. Medical support from Co, Company 9th Medical Battalion was displaced from XUAN LOC to FS/COUGAR in order to provide more effective service. The logistical base of support Class I-IV was
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Established at XUAN LOC by a forward element of the 9th 5 & T Bn. Class V was also distributed from XUAN LOC out of the 1st Brigade's Class V Yard with the assistance of 1st Log Command and DAO personnel. Land LOC was Highway QL 1 to FSB UNGCAT (Y817966). Aerial resupply was utilized until 6 November 1967 when land LOC was established as the primary means of logistical resupply. The most significant detrimental factor during the operation was the long distance of the resupply route and its condition. These factors resulted in an abnormal requirement for maintenance and associated repair parts. The route continued to improve throughout the operation.

b. Supply

(1) Class I

(a) Class I point, 9th SAT BN XUAN LOC issued during period of operation:

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(d) Ice: Potable ice was received at the Class I supply point the night before issuing. 2/3rd's of the ice was stored in a Refer Van, the rest on a 2½ Ton truck. This resulted in a loss due to melting. Units further trucked ice to FSB WILDCAT resulting in a further loss of ice.

2. Class II

(a) Requisitions were submitted by rear detachments located at XUAN LOC and WILDCAT, they maintained land line and radio communications with forward locations.

(b) There were no critical shortages of these items during Operation Swetna Fo.

(c) Class IV

1. Barrier Material issued during this operation:

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<th>MORTAR SHELLS</th>
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<td>3,200</td>
<td>350,200</td>
<td>240 rolls</td>
<td>56 rolls</td>
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BOARD PLANT WAGNER

27,400

(3) Class III and IIIA

(a) Class III dispensing points at Xuan Loc and PS/3B

WILDCAT issued the following quantities during the operation:

MODS: 327,267

DISP: 326,416

AVG'S: 6,055

TOTAL: 245,000

4,555 gals.

(b) Class III was delivered to the forward areas by 5000 gallon tender trucks, 500 gallon collapsible bladders, 55 gallon drums and 5 gallon fuel cans.

(4) Class V

(a) Class V was issued from ASP located at Xuan Loc (T471095).

(b) No critical shortages of Class V occurred at any time during the operation.

(c) Units remained within the limits of the 9th Division ASR during the operation.

(d) Ammunition expenditures by type and quantity follows:

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<td>Mine Claymores APERS</td>
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<td>TOTAL CLASS V EXPANDED TONS</td>
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c. Maintenance:

Company "C", 709th Maint Bn and HQ & A, 709th Maint Bn received the following job orders in direct support of all battalions and separate companies:

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<th>WHEEL</th>
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<th>SMALL ARMS</th>
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d. Treatment of Casualties and Hospitalization

(1) Patient categories handled by Co "B", 9th Mod Bn were as follows:

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<td>709</td>
<td>135</td>
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* Seen & coordinated

(2) Dustoff procedures and medical evacuation of slightly wounded personnel was deemed fully adequate.

e. Transportation

(1) Transportation requirements totaled 18 2½ Ton Trucks utilized by HHC, 1st Bde. All requests were forwarded to the DTO, 9th DISCH.

(2) Army aviation Helicopters were utilized to airlift classes of supply I-W from the Brigade Trains location at XUAN LOC and FSB WILDCAT to forward areas as follows:

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<td>Total wt</td>
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(3) There were difficulties noted during the operation in that one aircraft was deemed inadequate for aerial resupply and contingency missions.

f. Services:

(1) Water:

(a) Water sources were placed at XUAN LOC, FSB WILDCAT, and for Phase III FSB FSB's (7895990) because of the long distance involved, approximately 115 KM to the most distant resupply point. During the final phase of SANTA P., it was necessary to displace the water point located at FSB FSB's, (895990) to FSB DURGEN (735000). These water sources purified a total of 317,140 gallons potable water.

(b) Non-potable water sources in forward areas were purified on an individual basis by use of iodine chloroform tablets.

(c) Metal and plastic five gallon containers were utilized during the operation.

(2) Graves Registration:

(a) The Co "A", 9th SAT Bn Graves Registration Section was initially located at XUAN LOC and was later moved up to FSB WILDCAT along with the medical section to provide better service.

(b) The Graves Registration Section processed 0 U.S. remains.

(3) Bath

(a) There were two bath sections in operation during the operation provided and operated by Co "A", 9th SAT BN. They were located at XUAN LOC and FSB WILDCAT, combined they bathed 156,000 personnel during the period of the operation.
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(a) Laundry

(a) A laundry facility was established at the Bob Trains area located at Xuan Loc by the 41st Fd Service Co. This unit provided laundry service for all units located in the field on this operation.

(b) There was a total of 2,063 bundles of laundry washed.

(c) Some personnel used individual laundering of clothing.

14. CIVIC ACTIONS: There was no civic action program conducted on operation SANTA FE. A limited program was continued in AO RAM by the First Brigade rear detachment.

15. COMBATANTS EVALUATION: Operation SANTA FE was an overall success although it failed to locate, fix and destroy the 5th VC Division. However, many of their base locations and lines of communication were found and destroyed. Constant saturation patrolling and artillery harassment and interdictory fires succeeded in fragmenting these small elements left in the Brigade AO. Jungle clearing south of Highway 1 on Route 331 provided widened trails and mutually supporting F5/FB's necessary for future airmobile or surface assault. The highpoint of the operation was the security and upgrading operations along Highways 1 and 2B. These major routes of communication and commerce had not been used since 1962 due to the destruction of most of the eleven bridge sites in the Ist Brigade AO. During the latter phase of operation SANTA FE one-hundred meters of jungle on both sides of Hwy #1 and 2B were cleared and burned for a distance of 81 kilometers. All bridges were upgraded to sustain civilian traffic and the road surface was improved. Following the visit of Vice-President Ky on 19 December for the official opening of the highway, the flow of civilian traffic mounted to 175-200 assorted vehicles daily. The population center of Xuan Loc in the west was again connected with PHN THIET, HCM TAN and TPH TAN in the east—thus connecting SAIGON with PHN THIET on the China sea coast. Relocation of families and the restoration of commerce took place concurrently with the return of this area to the control of the SVN. This operation proved that the rejuvenation of commerce, return of areas to governmental control and upgrading of public facilities are as much a part of the stability operations in Vietnam as a direct confrontation with a large enemy force. Operation SANTA FE evolved into a monumental engineering effort taxing the leadership, incidency, morale and alertness of the First Brigade. However, the officers and men met the challenge in every respect. The accomplishments of the operation contributed much to the overall war effort.

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