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HEADQUARTERS  
1ST AVIATION BRIGADE, 5TH CAVALRY  
3RD AVIATION DIVISION  
APO 96370

AVDE-ST

18 Dec 67

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Daily Situation Report (SITREP)  
170001H Dec 67 to 172400H Dec 67 (U)

TO: Commanding Officer  
TFF, 9th Inf Div  
ATTN: C-3  
APO 96370

1. (C) OPERATIONS SUMMARY:

a. General:

- (1) 3d Squadron, 5th Cavalry: Secure FSB Green, interdicts east-west enemy LOCs across Hwy 15 between Phu My Airstrip and Long Thanh. Provide RRF to Nhon Trach, Long Thanh, Binh Son and Bearcat areas. Conduct strike Op in AO Cambridge.
- (2) HHT, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Bird Dog element Opcon to C Trp. HHT located at FSB Green.
- (3) Trp A, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Assumed security of FSB Green and Hwy 15 from FSB Green to Long Thanh. Conducted MP reconning for alt rt to Binh Son. Conducted RR to maintain security of Hwy 15.
- (4) Trp B, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Conducted mine sweep of axis yellow with 16 element. Found 2 mines composed of 6 81MM shells located YS243856 and YS244057. Both mines blown in place. 26 and 36 elements joined 16 element and closed RON. \*10 lbs TNT on top of mine.
- (5) Trp C, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Assumed responsibility for security of Hwy 15 from FSB Green to southern boundary of AO Cambridge. Conducted 3 DP within 1000 meters of RON. Conducted RR of Hwy 15 for security. Patrol found 4.2" mortar dud at loc YS225805; blown in place. COP at YS232788, Veh. 1 Tank and 2 ACAVs.
- (6) Trp D, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Aerscout platoon furnished 1 LOH C&C ship and 1 LST to HQ 3/5 Cav. LST spotted trail to river which looks like supply point, area bare and grass matted down at loc 180840. Spotted another well used area, trails, matted grass at loc 195825. Crusader conducted VR in location VC sighting, also recon by fire with unknown results.
- (7) Attachments/Detachments: B-2/35 continued current mission.

b. Plans Summary: Continue security Hwy 15 and provide RRF to Nhon Trach, Long Thanh, Binh Son and Bearcat areas.

c. Major Unit Actions: None

d. Small Unit Actions: None

e. Coordination and Liaison: Maintained with TFF.

2. (C) LRRP ACTIVITIES: None

3. (C) BUSHMASTER OPERATIONS: None

ACKNOWLEDGE:

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HEADQUARTERS  
5TH CAVALRY  
DIVISION  
APO 96370

AVDE-CT

19 Dec 67

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Daily Situation Report (SITREP)  
180001H Dec 67 to 182400H Dec 67 (U)

TO: Commanding Officer  
TFF, 9th Inf Div  
ATTN: S-3  
APO 96370

1. (C) OPERATIONS SUMMARY

a. General:

- (1) 3d Squadron, 5th Cavalry: Continued current mission.
- (2) HHT, 3d Sqn, 5th Cav: Bird Dog 4 spotted sampan with motor, boat without light on it, heading north on river at loc YS212792. Fired on it at shore line and sent DP to check area out. Found trails on river bank, rest areas with overhead cover at loc YS212792. Sampan was either sunk or pulled up river. Medcap conducted at Thai Thien. 97 patients treated. Bird Dogs Opcon to C Trp.
- (3) Trp A, 3d Sqn, 5th Cav: Continued security of FSB Green and Hwy 15 from FSB Green to Long Thanh. Conducted S&D opn in their AO. A36 found 90mm round at grid 20 848, destroyed in place. Conducted RR to maintain security of Hwy 15.
- (4) Trp B, 3d Sqn, 5th Cav: Conducted mine sweep west along trail from RON to Hwy 15. Conducted limited patrolling around RON. B36 element discovered base camp of large size at loc YS243833. In vic YS245881 Trp B patrol engaged Su size VC force--Fire was returned, Arty called in--Contact broken 1445H with unknown results. There was 1 US WIA. VC losses unknown. B26 elements swept south and east of RON.
- (5) Trp C, 3d Sqn, 5th Cav: Continued security of Hwy 15 from FSB Green to southern boundary of AO Cambridge. Secured Medcap in Quan Chim. At 1430, loc YS 213900 C16 was in contact with unknown number VC; receiving small arms and some automatic weapons fire. Fire was returned, Arty called in, and LST sent to aid. Broke contact with est 5 VC at 1545. 1 US WIA was dusted off. Conducted RR of Hwy 15 for security. C36 performed mounted patrol between RON and clearing at 246822, neg results.
- (6) Trp D, 3d Sqn, 5th Cav: Aeroscout platoon furnished 1 LOH C&C ship and 1 LST to HQ 3/5 Cav. Conducted VR AO. Spook 7 spotted 1 VC wearing white shirt and black pants at loc YS229881.
- (7) Attachments/Detachments: B 2/35 continued current mission.

b. Plans Summary: Continue security of Hwy 15 and provide RRF to Nhon Trach, Long Thanh, Binh Son and Bearcat areas.

c. Major Unit Actions: None

d. Small Unit Actions: See para 1,a4 & 1,a 5.

e. Coordination and Liaison: Maintained with TFF.

2. (C) LRRP ACTIVITIES: None

3. (C) BUSHMASTER OPERATIONS: None

ACKNOWLEDGE:

OFFICIAL:

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HEADQUARTERS  
3D SQUADRON, 5TH CAVALRY  
21ST INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO 96370

AVRDCGT

20 December 1967

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Daily Situation Report (SITREP)  
190000H Dec 67 to 192400H Dec 67 (U)

TO: Commanding Officer  
TFF, 9th Inf Div  
ATTN: S-3  
APO 96370

## 1. (G) OPERATIONS SUMMARY

### a. General:

(1) 3d Squadron, 5th Cavalry: Continue present mission.  
(2) HHT, 3d Sqn, 5th Cav: Bird Dogs remain Opcon to C Trp.  
(3) Trp A, 3d Sqn, 5th Cav: Continued security of FSB Green and Hwy 15 from Green to Long Thanh. A16 conducted S&D in AO 4&6. A26 element at loc 190884 received contact. IST on station & Arty called in. A16 element found one 8 in. Arty round at grid 190884. A Trp requested dustoff for US individual wounded in leg and buttocks by friendlies; ETA 1225-complete 1235H. Conducted RR of Hwy 15 for security. Conducted AP, loc YS155884 with 2 PCs as RRF at YS143913.

(4) Trp B, 3d Sqn, 5th Cav: Conducted mine sweep west along trail from RON to Hwy 15. B36 MP in base camp at YS245879; Engaged 1 VC -killed him and captured weapon. 1 VC MIA, 1 captured woman by Chieu Hoi, found 15 rucksacks. B36 received sniper fire - 1 US WIA, wounded in leg and evacuated by spook. B26 element found TA 50 gear, blanket, GI equipment and VC pants in location 245865. Name found on GI equipment was SP/4 Crumpton.

(5) Trp C, 3d Sqn, 5th Cav: Continued security of Hwy 15 from FSB Green to southern boundary AO Cambridge. C Trp secured Cobra elements, vic Ap Go Dam for air boat landing. C 36 DP found 3 caves in bank of stream - some footprints and heard voices, found clothing, equipment, ammo unknown type, 10-15 lbs of rice, and documents, at loc YS267788. Destroyed caves and tunnels. Conducted RRs to maintain security of Hwy 15.

(6) Trp D, 3d Sqn, 5th Cav: Aeroscout platoon furnished 1 LOH C&C ship & 1 LST to HQ 3/5 Cav. LST detained 2 women loc 235795 and returned them to FSB Green. LST spotted VC with weapons in sampan at YS160847. VC jumped to shore to flee. LST killed him. At YS161848 LST spotted VC on edge of canal. VC killed. Both VC were wearing blue & black with no headgear. LST at YS278790 spotted possible base camp. Recon by fire with neg results. Doughboys under control of 3/5 as of 1900.

(7) Attachments/Detachments: E/2/35; continue present mission.

b. Plans Summary: Continue security of Hwy 15 & provide RRF to Nhon Trach, Long Thanh, Binh Son and Bearcat areas.

c. Major Unit Actions: None

d. Small Unit Actions: See 1,a4

e. Coordination and Liaison: Maintained with TFF.

2. (C) LRRP ACTIVITIES: Raker 31 element in AO Redwing reports at least 3 VC building complex at YS339890 at edge of their AO. LRRPs will take appropriate action.

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HEADQUARTERS  
3D SQUADRON, 5TH CAVALRY  
9TH INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO 96370

AVDE-CT

21 DEC 1967

SUBJECT: GROUND COMMANDER'S DAILY SITUATION REPORT (SITREP)  
200001H DEC 67 TO 202400H DEC 67 (U)

TO: COMMANDING OFFICER  
TF FORSYTH  
ATTN: S-3  
APO 96370

I. (C) OPERATIONS SUMMARY

A. GENERAL:

(1) 3D SQUADRON, 5TH CAVALRY: CONTINUED OPERATION REINDEER.  
(2) HHT, 3D SQDN, 5TH CAV: CONTINUED PRESENT MISSION.  
(3) TRP A, 3D SQDN, 5TH CAV: AMBUSH PATROL LOCATED AT YS155884 RECEIVED ONE GRENADE AT 0040 HRS AND ANOTHER AT 0220 HRS. ONE US WIA, FIRE WAS RETURNED BY AP WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. AP WAS EXTRACTED AND RETURNED TO RON AT 0230 HRS. CONDUCTED S&D OPERATIONS IN AO A-3. ROADRUNNER HIT BY RPG AT 2224 HRS VIC 197845. FSB GREEN RECEIVED MORTAR FIRE AT 2242 HRS. AT 2300 HRS A TRP ACTED AS RRF FOR ARVN ELEMENTS. AVL3 DISPATCHED TO COVER PLACE WHERE ROAD WAS BLOWN VIC YS171871.

(4) TRP B, 3D SQDN, 5TH CAV: CONTINUED PRESENT MISSION; CONDUCTED MINE SWEEP FROM RON TO HWY L5. CONDUCTED S&D OPERATIONS IN AO. FOUND EXTENSIVE TUNNEL AND BUNKER COMPLEX VIC YS245879. DESTROYED COMPLEX. MOVED FROM RON POSITION AT 2250 HRS AS RRF FOR FSB GREEN AND ARVN ELEMENTS BEING HIT BETWEEN FSB GREEN AND LONG THANH. ONE PLATOON WAS PLACED OPCON TO A TRP AND TWO PLATOONS MOVED IN TO REPLACE A TRP AS SECURITY FOR FSB GREEN. CLOSED FSB GREEN AT 2340.

(5) TRP C, 3D SQDN, 5TH CAV: CONTINUED PRESENT MISSION. CONDUCTED ROADRUNNER OPERATIONS ON HWY 15. CONDUCTED S&D OPN IN AO C-2. RON POSITION WAS HIT BY MORTAR AND SMALL ARMS FIRE AT 2232 HRS. 4 US WIA REPORTED AT 2253 HRS.

(6) TRP D, 3D SQDN, 5TH CAV: FURNISHED 2 C&C LOH AND LST TO HQ 3/5 CAV. INSERTED ARP AT YS245879 AT 1020 HRS. LFT REACTED TO LRRP CONTACT IN AO SWALLOW. ARP MARRIED UP WITH B 36 AND MOVED TO B TRP RON FOR EXTRACTION.

(7) ATTACHMENTS/DETACHMENTS: NONE

B. PLANS SUMMARY: CONTINUE OPM REINDEER.

C. MAJOR UNIT ACTIONS: C TRP RON HIT BY MORTAR & SMALL ARMS FIRE AT 2232 HRS. 4 US WIA REPORTED AT 2253 HRS. CONTACT CONTINUED UNTIL AFTER MIDNIGHT. FSB GREEN BEGAN TO RECEIVE MORTAR FIRE AT 2242. A TRP WAS DISPATCHED AS RRF TO ARVN ELEMENTS BEING HIT NORTH OF FSB GREEN; AVL3 SENT FORWARD TO VIC YS171871 SO THAT A TRP COULD CROSS POINT WHERE VC HAD CRATERED HWY 15. B TRP MOVED FROM RON TO REPLACE A TRP AS SECURITY FOR FSB GREEN. ONE PLATOON OF B TRP WAS PLACED OPCON TO A TRP RRF.

D. SMALL UNIT ACTIONS: A TRP ROADRUNNERS HIT VIC YS197845. 1 PC DESTROYED. 1 WIA. FIRE RETURNED; RESULTS UNKNOWN.

E. COORDINATION AND LIAISON: MAINTAINED WITH TF FORSYTH.

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HEADQUARTERS  
1ST BATTALION, 5TH CAVALRY  
SPECIAL BRIGADE DIVISION  
APO 96370

AVDE-CT

22 December 1967

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Daily Situation Report (SITREP)  
210002H Dec 67 to 212400H Dec 67 (U)

TO: Commanding Officer  
Task Force Forsyth  
AFIN: 3-3  
APO 96370

1. (C) OPERATIONS SUMMARY

a. General:

- (1) 3d Squadron, 5th Cavalry: Continued Operation Reindeer.
- (2) HHT, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav; Continued present mission. Bird Dogs opcon to C Trp:
- (3) Trp A, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Two platoons A Trp with 1 from B Trp acted as RRF to Long Thanh. Road was cratered vic 169873. 3 US WIA at that location at 0030 hrs. Long Thanh advisor reports attack on ARVN outpost at YS152892; A Trp RRF moved to that location. Recovered BAR and M-1 carbine abandoned by ARVN. After action ceased in Long Thanh. A Trp outposted hwy 15 from Long Thanh to FSB Green. Conducted roadrunner operations to connect and secure night outposts. At 2342 hrs ARVN outposts at YS105943 and YS119955 were reported under attack. A26 element put on alert as RRF.
- (4) Trp B, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Continued security of FSB Green. At 0358 hrs B26 escorted VTR to vic 169873 to recover vehicle stuck while attempting to bypass cratered place in road. B16 conducted sweep south of FSB Green at 1040 hrs. B16 found trench system vic YS194821; spotted 1 VC; fired at him with unknown results. B21 secured AVLB in night location at YS208831.
- (5) Trp C, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Firing subsided; dustoff took place 0020 hrs; 8 US WIA dusted off; 3 KIA remain to be removed later; At 0108 SA firing resumed southeast of C Trp RON. No further casualties; C26 made route and bridge recon from RON south to Phu My. C36 conducted sweep around RON in vic of area from which attack came. Found blood trail; requested dog tracker team. Dog team found 1 VC who fled at their approach and one wounded VC who was evacuated to FSB Green and on to 24th Evac after examination by 3/5 Cav surgeon. The VC were found vic YS217813 at 1600 hrs. Dog team remained overnight with C Trp. C Trp conducted roadrunner operations from their RON to FSB Green and to southern boundary AO Cambridge
- (6) Trp D, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Crusader elements provided a RRF and security force to 3/5 Cav elements under attack. Provided LST and C&C (LOH) to 3/5 Cav HQ. Inserted and extracted ARP in 4 AOs. Provided aircraft for LRRP activities.
- (7) Attachments/Detachments: None

b. Plans Summary: Continue Opn Reindeer.

- c. Major Unit Actions: C Trp had 8 WIA dusted off at 0020 hrs; 5 KIA removed later. Initial contact broken 0037. Small arms fire resumed at 0108 hrs. southeast of C Trp RON. Negative further casualties. A Trp reacted to attack on ARVN outposts. Road was cratered vic YS169873. A Trp had 3 slightly wounded. One man reported with broken ribs dusted off. B Trp placed one platoon opcon to A Trp RRF.
  - d. Small Unit Actions: B16 spotted 1 VC vic YS194821; took him under fire with unknown results. C36 and dog tracker team captured one wounded VC vic YS217813. Spotted another VC who escaped after being fired on by Dog tracker team leader.
  - e. Coordination and Liaison: Maintained with TF Forsyth.
2. (C) LRRP ACTIVITIES: Extracted AO Canary 1320 hrs. Inserted AO Sparrow 1605.
  3. - (C) BUSHMASTER OPERATIONS: None

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AVDE-CT

23 December 1967

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Daily Situation Report (SITREP)  
220001 hrs to 222400 hrs. (U)

TO: Commanding Officer  
TF Forsyth  
ATTN: S-3  
APO 96370

1. (C) OPERATIONS SUMMARY:

a. General

(1) 3d Squadron, 5th Cavalry: Continued Operation Reindeer. Sqdn CP location and trains returned to BC. A Trp remained at FSB Green to continue present mission. B Trp and C Trp became opcon to 199th Inf Bde at 1730.

(2) HHT, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Continued present mission until 1430 hrs when Sqdn CP and trains departed FSB Green, being escorted by Bird Dog elements. Sqdn CP and trains closed BC by 1545 hrs. At 1820 hrs Bird Dog elements departed Bearcat for FSB Green. All elements closing by 1900 hrs.

(3) Trp A, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Continued present mission; at 0029 A26 still in route to ARVN post reports bridge at YS120456 was blown and is not passable. At outpost there were 2 WIA and 2 KIA ARVN. One WIA serious was taken to Bearcat by an A Trp element. The other three were taken to Long Thanh. All elements closed COP location by 0245 hrs. A Trp conducted 3 roadrunners starting by 0001 and closing by 0505 hrs with negative results. A Trp continued to outpost Hwy 15. At 1035 hrs, they found 50 male suspects at YT183844; negative results reported. 2 ACAVs secured Eng elements at 1035 hrs vic YS120956. An element found an 8" Arty round vic 180851. Blown in place. At 1700 hrs escorted AVLB to FSB Green. All elements closed by 1822 hrs. LPs located at YS193835 and 199831. One element conducted road runner beginning at 2045 hrs; element received 2 RPG; causing 2 WIA Fire returned with unknown results., vic 172872. At 2300 a tank from 15th Eng hit a mine causing 1 WIA; A Trp sent a reaction force to vic 161886; reconed area with unknown results. One element of A Trp escorted Eng element to vic YS120956.

(4) Trp B, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Continued present mission of securing FSB Green; at 0535 hrs one element departed green for Bearcat to escort convoy. At 0800 convoy departed Bearcat for Green, closing at 0845H. At 0900 one element moved vic Thai Thien screening west of hwy 15. Returned to Green by 1200H; negative results. All elements departed FSB Green to Long Binh at 1400; Became Opcon to 199th Inf Bde at 1730H.

(5) Trp C, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Continued present mission; C Trp conducted 2 roadrunners with negative results. At 0900 one element with Dog Tracker team following trail vic YS222822. Returned to RON by 1200H with negative results. All elements departed RON for Long Binh.; at 1530 hrs truck hit jeep and required dust-off for 2; taken to 24th Evac. All elements closed by 1730H and became Opcon to 199th Light Inf Bde.

(6) Trp D, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Provided 2 C&C LOH and LST to HQ 3/5 Cav. Inserted ARP at YS183844, LST located VQ base camp at YS165825 and YS172818; Reconed with negative results. ARPs extracted at 1300 from YS185844 and inserted 185835; ARPs extracted at 1345 hrs from YS185835 with negative results.

(7) Attachments/Detachments: None

b. Plans Summary: Sqdn CP and trains remain at Bearcat; A Trp continue present mission of outpostting Hwy 15. B and C Trp remain opcon to 199th Inf Bde.

c. Major Unit Actions: None

d. Small Unit Actions: A Trp received 2 rounds RPG resulting in 2 WIA. Reconed area with negative results. At 2300 15th Eng element hit mine; 1 WIA. A Trp reconed area with negative results.

e. Coordination and Liaison: Maintained with TF Forsyth.

2. (C) LRRP ACTIVITIES: None

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HEADQUARTERS  
3D SQUADRON, 5TH CAVALRY  
4TH INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO 96370

AVDE-CT

24 December 1967

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Daily Situation Report (SITREP)  
230001h Dec 67 to 232400h Dec 67 (U)

TO: Commanding Officer  
Task Force Forsyth  
ATTN: S-3  
APO 96370

## 1. (C) OPERATIONS SUMMARY

### a. General:

(1) 3d Squadron, 5th Cavalry: Continued Operation Reindeer. The Sqdn CP and trains loc at BC. A Trp remained at FSB Green. B Trp and C Trp Opcon 199 Light Inf Bde. B Trp released Opcon 1445 hrs; return to control of 3/5 Cav.

(2) HHT, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Continued present mission. Bird Dogs opcon to A Trp.

(3) Trp A, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Continued present mission. Conducted RR of Hwy 15. RR received 1 RPG round at loc YS192854 at 2137 hrs. Fire returned with unknown results.

(4) Trp B, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Opcon to 199th Light Inf Bde. Released to 3/5 Cav 231445 Dec. Made tactical roadmarch from Long Binh (1930) to Bearcat. Closed Bearcat 2205 hrs.

(5) Trp C, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Remained Opcon to II Field Forces.

(6) Trp D, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Provided 1 LOH C&C ship and 1 LST to HQ 3/5 Cav.

(7) Attachments/Detachments: B/2/35: Continued present mission.

b. Plans Summary: Sqdn CP and trains remain at BC. A Trp continue present mission. B Trp released from 199th Inf Bde to 3/5 Cav. C Trp remain opcon to II Field Force.

c. Major Unit Actions: None.

d. Small Unit Actions: A Trp RR received 1 RPG round at loc YS192854 at 2137 hrs. Returned fire with unknown results and no US injuries.

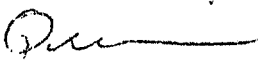
e. Coordination and Liaison: Maintained with TFF.

2. (C) LRRP ACTIVITIES: None

3. (C) BUSIMASTER OPERATIONS: None

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HEADQUARTERS  
2D SQUADRON, 5TH CAVALRY  
9TH INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO 96370

AVDE-CT

25 December 1967

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Daily Situation Report (SITREP)  
240001H Dec 67 to 242400H Dec 67 (U)

TO: Commanding Officer  
Task Force Forsyth  
ATTN: S-3  
APO 96370

1. (C) OPERATIONS SUMMARY

a. General:

- (1) 3d Squadron, 5th Cavalry: Continued Opn Reindeer.
- (2) HHT, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: CP conducted roadmarch from Bearcat to FSB Green escorted by Bird Dog elements.
- (3) Trp A, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Continued S&D mission in AO Cambridge. At 0945 hrs A36 made contact at YS272803. Received one RPG and automatic weapons fire. Immediately returned fire. Estimated 2 squads VC. A26 dispatched from RON as RRP. ARP was extracted and reinserted near contact point to attempt to flank VC position. Artillery blocking fires utilized to the north. LFT and LST from D Trp both on station at time of contact. Contact was broken at 1110 hrs. Dog tracker team from 9th Div was brought in. Negative US casualties. Negative VC body count. A36 and ARP conducted dismounted patrols in area after contact was broken. Negative results.
- (4) Trp B, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Conducted tactical roadmarch from Bearcat and established RON position in YS159875. Established outposts north of RON to Long Thanh and south of RON to link up with A Trp outposts on Hwy 15.
- (5) Trp C, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Remained Opcon to II Field Force.
- (6) Trp D, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Inserted ARP at YS245794 at 0758 hrs. Extracted ARP at 1030 hrs and reinserted them near A Trp contact point to attempt to flank VC position. LFT was on station at A Trp contact from time of initial contact (0945 hrs) until contact was broken at 1110 hrs. LST conducted VR of area surrounding contact site after contact was broken and conducted VR of entire AO 1713-1800 hrs. ARP and Dog Tracker team extracted from FSB Green at 1525 hrs. Supported LRRP activities.

(7) Attachments/Detachments: None

b. Plans Summary: Continue Opn Reindeer and prepare to assume Opn Kittyhawk.

c. Major Unit Actions: None

d. Small Unit Actions: A36 received one RPG round and automatic weapons fire via YS272803 at 0945 hrs. Estimated 2 VC squads in position via YS270803. A26 dispatched from RON as RRP. ARP was extracted from their AO and inserted near the contact point to attempt to flank the VC. Artillery blocking fires were called in north of the VC position. A LFT from D Trp was in the area and on station immediately after contact commenced. D Trp maintained a LFT on station until contact was broken and then moved a LST in to VR the area. Contact was broken at 1110 hrs. Negative US casualties. VC casualties unknown. Dog Tracker team from 9th Div was brought in at 1115 hrs. ARP and A36 conducted dismounted patrols in the area after contact was broken. Negative results.

e. Coordination and Liaison: Maintained with TF Forsyth.

2. (C) LRRP ACTIVITIES: LRRP inserted in AO Sweep, Coot and Kildee at 1600 hrs.

3. (C) BUSHMASTER OPERATIONS: None

ACKNOWLEDGE:



AVDE-CT

26 December 1967

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Daily Situation Report (SITREP)  
250001 Dec 67 to 252400 Dec 67 (U)

TO: Commanding Officer  
Task Force Forsyth  
AFIN: 8-3  
APO 96370

1. (C) OPERATIONS SUMMARY:

a. General:

- (1) 3d Squadron, 5th Cavalry: Continued Opn Reindeer.
- (2) HHT, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Continued present mission.
- (3) Trp A, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Continued to outpost Hwy 15. Conducted road runner operations. The 3d platoon roadrunner received one RPG round vic YS215818, immediately returned fire and requested 4.2 illumination. Negative results. Roadrunner moved out and received 2 more rounds RPG fire vic YS209827, immediately returned fire. Checked area thoroughly with negative results. Had one US WIA at first contact site, negative further injuries. Negative damage to vehicles.
- (4) Trp B, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Continued to outpost Hwy 15. Reported hearing one round of rifle fire at 2254 hrs vic YS1687. Checked area with negative results. Conducted night roadrunner operations.
- (5) Trp C, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Remained OPCON to II FFV.
- (6) Trp D, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Provided LOH C&C to HQ 3/5 Cav.
- (7) Attachments/Detachments: None

b. Plans Summary: Continue Opn Reindeer.

c. Major Unit Actions: None

d. Small Unit Actions: At 2230 hrs 3d platoon Trp A received one round RPG fire at YS215818. Immediately returned fire and requested 4.2 illumination. 1 US WIA slightly injured. Negative damage to vehicles. Roadrunner moved out to continue mission and received 2 more rounds RPG vic YS209827 at 2316 hrs. Immediately returned fire. Negative further injuries. Negative damage. Negative results.

e. Coordination and Liaison: Maintained with TF Forsyth.

2. (C) LRRP ACTIVITIES: None

3. (C) BUSHMASTER OPERATIONS: None

ACKNOWLEDGE:

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3RD BATTALION, 5TH CAVALRY  
QUINTON STREET DIVISION  
AFPO 96370

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27 December 1967

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Daily Situation Report (SITREP)  
260001H Dec 67 to 262400H Dec 67

TO: Commanding Officer  
Task Force Forsyth  
ATTN: S-3  
APO 96370

1. (C) OPERATIONS SUMMARY:

a. General:

- (1) 3d Squadron, 5th Cavalry: Continued Opn Reindeer.
- (2) HHQ, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Bird Dog elements conducted limited S&D operations.
- (3) Trp A, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Continued security of FSB Green. Conducted S&D operations within AO and continued outpostting hwy 15. Conducted night roadrunners on Hwy 15.
- (4) Trp B, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Conducted mine sweep from RON to Hwy 15. Conducted S&D operations within AO. Third platoon conducted joint operation with BTRF in area where VC tax collectors had told local farmers to place rice for VC pick up. Local farmers were warned that all rice in that area after 1700 hrs, would be confiscated. RFPF and third platoon B Trp confiscated 12 tons of rice which was evacuated up District Headquarters in Long Thanh to determine ownership and/or for distribution. Ambush patrol located at NS219859 reported seeing 15 to 20 lights 100 meters to its west. Investigated with negative results. Trp B conducted night roadrunners on Hwy 15.
- (5) Trp C, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Remained OPCON II FFV.
- (6) Trp D, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Provided HQ 3/5 Cav with 1 LOH C&C ship. LST performed morning and afternoon VIL of AO Cambridge. Supported LRRP activities. Inserted and extracted ARP. ARP confiscated 1800 lbs rice vic YS168846 at 1520 hrs. Returned it to owners at 1705 hrs.
- (7) Attachments/Detachments: B-2/35 Arty continued support 3/5 Cav.

b. Plans Summary: Conduct tactical roadmarch to Blackhorse 27 Dec 67 and assume Opn Kittyhawk.

c. Major Unit Actions: None

d. Small Unit Actions: None

e. Coordination and Liaison: Maintained with TF Forsyth.

2. (C) LRRP ACTIVITIES: Conducted operations in AO Killdee.

3. (C) BUSHMASTER OPERATIONS: None

ACKNOWLEDGE:

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27 December 1967

SUBJECT: Ground Commander's Daily Situation Report (SITREP)  
270000Z Dec 67 to 240000Z Dec 67 (U)

TO: Commanding General  
9th Infantry Division  
ATTN: G-3  
APO 96370

1. (C) OPERATIONS SUMMARY

a. General:

(1) 3d Squadron, 5th Cavalry: Released OPCON TF Forsyth at 0730 hrs. Became OPCON 9th Inf Div at that time. Conducted tactical roadmarch from FSB Green (YS197837) (departed 0800H) to Blackhorse (closed 1335 hrs). Prepared to assume Opn Kittyhawk.

(2) HHT, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Conducted tactical roadmarch from FSB Green (YS197837) to Blackhorse.

(3) Trp A, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Conducted tactical roadmarch from FSB Green (YS197837) to Blackhorse. Third platoon secured second march unit (CP and sqdn trains). First platoon continued on to Gia Ray and assumed security of engineer element there.

(4) Trp B, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Conducted tactical roadmarch from FSB Green (YS197837) to FSB via YZ298103. Assumed security of FSB at 1550 hrs. Third platoon secured sqdn trail party from FSB Green to Blackhorse.

(5) Trp C, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Released OPCON II FFV became OPCON 2/39 Inf

(6) Trp D, 3d Sqdn, 5th Cav: Provided LST to 2/39 Inf. Provided 1 TCB G&C to HQ 3/5 Cav.

(7) Attachments/Detachments: B-2/35 Arty continued support 3/5 Cav. Moved with first march unit to Blackhorse.

b. Plans Summary: Continue Opn Kittyhawk.

c. Major Unit Actions: None

d. Small Unit Actions: None

e. Coordination and Liaison: Established with 11th ACR.

2. (C) IRR: ACTIVITIES: None

3. (C) BATTMASTER OPERATIONS: None

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Col LTC led tactical roadmarch

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SUBJECT: Combat After Actions Report (MACV/RCS/J3/J2)

28 January 1968

## 12. (C) RESULTS:

### a. Friendly:

- (1) Personnel:
  - (a) KHA: 4
  - (b) WHA: 19
- (2) Vehicles:
  - (a) Destroyed: 1 M113 by RPG
  - (b) Damaged: 1 M48A3 Tank by RPG

### b. Enemy:

- (1) Personnel:
  - (a) KIA: 21 (RC)
  - (b) WIA: 2
  - (c) Detainees: 5
    - (1) Innocent: 4
    - (2) POW: 1
- (2) Material, equipment and facilities destroyed:
  - (a) 81mm mortar rounds: 12
  - (b) Protective masks, VC Type: 2
  - (c) Blanket: 1
  - (d) Sampan: 1
  - (e) Assorted clothing: 20 pounds
- (3) Material, equipment and facilities captured:
  - (a) Rice: 2,420 pounds
  - (b) Documents: 1 pound
  - (c) Weapons: 2 SK 50 Rifles, 6 RPG2 Launchers, 1 AK 47

rifle.

(d) Ammunition: 16 RPG rounds, 3 RKG-3T anti-tank grenades-Soviet Model, 38 CHICOM Grenades, 2 Ammo drums for AK 47, and 16 M-79 rounds.

## 13. (C) ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

### a. Logistics:

- (1) No major logistical problems were encountered. All classes of supply except class V were drawn from Long Binh post. Supply convoys were run from Bearcat to the troop CP's daily, using Hwy 15 as the M.S.R.
- (2) The only significant incident occurred on the night of 20 Dec 67. Because of intelligence reports of possible enemy activity the support plt was directed not to resupply and remain at Bearcat. At approximately 2200H the support plt was placed on full alert and ordered to prepare to resupply all elements of the squadron. In accordance with SOP the Air Cavalry Troop provided four UH1-D's which were immediately loaded with small arms and mortar ammunition. Emergency CH-47 sorties were requested through AAE. All aircraft were loaded and awaiting take off instructions before the first request for ammunition or to evacuate casualties had been received from the units in contact. When resupply was requested sorties to Trp A, Trp C and the 155mm howitzer battery simultaneously. Casualties were evacuated on backhauls to Bearcat and Long Binh. A total of 6 UH1-D sorties and 4 CH-47 sorties were flown.

b. Communications: Communications support of the squadron on Operation Reindeer presented no major problems. However, one minor problem that occurred was the need of RATT repair men available for support of the squadron at the field location. This was due to a lack of personnel from the 709th Maintenance Bn at Bearcat. Normal repair channels remained constant and an even flow of support was maintained.

HEADQUARTERS  
3D SQUADRON 5TH CAVALRY  
9TH INFANTRY DIVISION  
APO 96370

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29 January 1968

SUBJECT: Combat After Actions Report (MACV/RCS/J3/J2)

THRU: Command Channels

TO: Commander  
U.S. Military Assistance Command, Vietnam  
ATTN: J343  
APO 96243

1. (U) NAME OF OPERATION: REINDEER
2. (U) DATES OF OPERATION: 16 December 1967 - 26 December 1967
3. (U) LOCATION: Long Thanh Province, RVN
4. (U) COMMAND HEADQUARTERS: 3d Squadron, 5th Cavalry
5. (U) REPORTING OFFICER: LTC Howard R. Fuller Jr.

6. (C) TASK ORGANIZATION:

<u>Troop A</u>	<u>Troop B</u>	<u>Troop C</u>	<u>Troop D</u>
CPT Garretson	CPT Schmeelk	CPT Scott	Maj Nielson
Medic M113		Medic M113	

TF 3-5 Con  
HHT  
1 Arty LNO  
Tm 1-11 Arty  
2 LCH C&C

7. (C) SUPPORTING FORCES: Battery B, 2d Battalion, 35th Artillery.
8. (C) INTELLIGENCE: The main enemy threat during Opn Reindeer were unknown elements of the Main Force 274 VC Regiment. No significant intelligence was gained due to the short duration of the operation. There were sporadic sniping incidents received from roadside positions. Mine sweeping operations along the trails resulted in the capture of 12ea 81mm mortar rounds, emplaced in groups of 6 rounds and 10 pounds of TNT with a pressure detonating device. There were two mortar and one ground attack.
9. (C) MISSION:
  - a. Interdict East West enemy lines of communication across Hwy 15 between Phu My Airstrip (YS2377) and Long Thanh (YS1392).
  - b. Provide RRF to Nhon Trach (YS0285), Long Thanh, Binh Son (YS2193) and Bearcat (YS1600) areas.
  - c. Conduct strike operations in AO Cambridge.
10. (U) CONCEPT OF OPERATION: See attached Daily Sitrep's.
11. (U) EXECUTION: See attached Daily Sitrep's.

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