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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 12-21

TF 117 ELEMENTS HAD A QUIET DAY TUESDAY WHILE CONTINUING TO SUPPORT RECON-IN-FORCE OPERATIONS IN VINH LONG AND KIEN HOA PROVINCES.

ALL TASK GROUP BRAVO BOATS RETURNED TO THE MRB AT VINH LONG ABOUT 0110 TUESDAY AFTER COMPLETING TWO DAYS OF OPERATIONS WITH REGIONAL FORCE AND ARVN TROOPS ALONG THE MANG THIT RIVER. RESULTS OF THE OPERATION WERE 11 BUNKERS DESTROYED.

TASK GROUP ALFA ELEMENTS REPORTED ONLY SPORADIC CONTACT DURING OPERATIONS IN KIEN HOA PROVINCE'S CIONG TROM DISTRICT. ONE VC WAS KILLED BY BRAVO COMPANY 4/47 INFANTRY IN A BRIEF EXCHANGE OF FIRE ABOUT 0850.

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ALLIED CASUALTIES TUESDAY WERE ONE INFANTRYMAN KILLED AND ONE WOUNDED. A VIETNAMESE TIGER SCOUT ATTACHED TO 4/47 INFANTRY WAS ALSO WOUNDED BY SMALL ARMS FIRE IN THE MORNING.

MRB ALFA RELOCATED FROM DONG TAM TO THE BEN TRE ANCHORAGE TUESDAY MORNING.

TF 117 WAS VISITED TUESDAY BY REAR ADMIRAL L. V. SWANSON, COMMANDER CARRIER DIVISION TWO.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 12-72

EIGHT U. S. PERSONNEL WERE WOUNDED BY HOSTILE FIRE WEDNESDAY DURING A SERIES OF AMBUSHES ON THE BEN TRE RIVER EAST AND SOUTHEAST OF BEN TRE.

BOTH RIVER DIVISIONS 92 AND 111 WERE THE TARGET OF RECOILLESS RIFLE, ROCKET AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE WHILE MOVING THROUGH THE AREA APPROPRIATELY KNOWN AS "AMBUSH ALLEY".

THE FIRST ATTACK WAS LAUNCHED JUST BEFORE 0800 AS THE 111 BOATS WERE PICKING UP A COMPANY OF 4/47 INFANTRY AT BEACHES 12 KILO- METERS SOUTHEAST OF BEN TRE. THE BOATS RETURNED AND SUPPRESSED THE ENEMY FIRE, WITH THE ONLY CASUALTY BEING A TIGER SCOUT WHO WAS WOUNDED.

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THE BOATS CONTINUED TO RECEIVE SPORADIC SMALL ARMS, AUTOMATIC WEAPONS AND ROCKET FIRE FROM BOTH BANKS AS THEY MOVED DOWN RIVER TO THEIR OBJECTIVE BEACHES, BUT THE ONLY CASUALTY WAS A 22MM GUNNER WHO RECEIVED MINOR WOUNDS WHEN A SHELL EXPLODED IN HIS MOUNT.

AFTER SWEEPING ALONG THE BANKS FOR SIX HOURS WITHOUT CONTACT, THE TROOPS WERE BACKLOADED ABOUT 1500 AND THE BOATS BEGAN THEIR RETURN TRANSIT UP RIVER. AT 1545, THE ASSAULT CRAFT RAN INTO THE MOST SEVERE AMBUSH OF THE DAY AS FIVE BOATS TOOK ROCKET HITS AND A TOTAL OF FOUR NAVYMEN AND TWO INFANTRYMEN SUSTAINED INJURIES.

THE ENTIRE COLUMN OF 19 BOATS RAN THE AMBUSH, AND A DUSTOFF HELO WAS BROUGHT IN TO EVACUATE THE WOUNDED AS SOON AS THE BOATS WERE CLEAR OF THE AREA.

LESS THAN 10 MINUTES AFTER III WAS HIT, BOATS OF RIV DIV 92 MOVING EAST ON THE BACH BEN TRE TO PICK UP A COMPANY OF 3/47 INFANTRY WERE ATTACKED WITH ROCKETS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FROM THE SOUTH BANK TWO KILOMETERS EAST OF BEN TRE. THE BOATS OPENED UP WITH ALL WEAPONS AND WERE ABLE TO SUPPRESS THE ENEMY FIRE. ONE NAVYMAN WAS WOUNDED IN THE FIREFIGHT.

WHEN THE III BOATS MOVED THROUGH THE SAME AREA AT 1725, THEY WERE ALSO HIT WITH ROCKET AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE, BUT THERE WERE NO CASUALTIES IN THIS RELATIVELY LIGHT ATTACK.

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IN SHARP CONTRAST TO THE HEATED NAVAL ACTION, THE GROUND ELEMENTS HAD A QUIET DAY. IN THE ONLY SIGNIFICANT CONTACT, FOUR VC WERE KILLED BY 3/47 INFANTRY ABOUT 1420 15 KILOMETERS EAST-SOUTHEAST OF BEN TRE.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 10-34

FRIDAY WAS A READY REACTION DAY FOR MOST TF 117 UNITS.

THE ONLY ELEMENTS ACTIVE WERE BOATS OF RIV DIVS 91 AND 92
WORKING WITH 3/34 ARTILLERY AND 4/47 INFANTRY, RESPECTIVELY,
IN OPERATIONS SOUTH OF BEN TRE.

THE 92 BOATS BEACHED TWO COMPANIES OF 4/47 WITHOUT INCIDENT
FRIDAY MORNING, THEN RETURNED TO A FIRE SUPPORT BASE ON THE SONO
CO CHIEF WHERE THEY REMAINED OVERNIGHT WITH A GROUP OF 91 BOATS.

THE MRF WAS VISITED FRIDAY BY MAJOR GENERAL RICHARD F. SHAEFER,
ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF FOR COMMUNICATIONS AT COMUSMACV.

ALSO VISITING THE MRF FRIDAY WAS COL R. D. HEINL (RET.), A
CORRESPONDENT FOR THE DETROIT NEWS WHO IS ON A THREE-MONTH TOUR
OF MILITARY ACTIVITIES IN THE PACIFIC.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 10-25

THIRTEEN VC WERE KILLED BY SECOND BRIGADE ELEMENTS FRIDAY NIGHT AND SATURDAY IN SPORADIC CONTACT SOUTH AND SOUTHEAST OF BEN TRE.

IN THE MOST FRUITFUL ENGAGEMENT FRIDAY EVENING, NINE VC WERE KILLED BY ALPHA COMPANY, 4/47 INFANTRY IN LIGHT ACTION WITH SMALL VC SQUADS. THERE WERE TWO U. S. WOUNDED IN THE EXCHANGE OF FIRE.

ON SATURDAY, ELEMENTS OF 3/47 INFANTRY RECEIVED INTERMITTENT SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE THROUGHOUT THE DAY. FOUR VC WERE KILLED AND ONE AK-47 AND A CARBINE WERE CAPTURED.

TWO COMPANIES OF 4/47 INFANTRY WERE BACKLOADED ON THE SONG CO CHIEN SOUTH OF BEN TRE BY RIV DIV 92 BOATS SATURDAY AFTERNOON FOR RETURN TO THE MRB. THE ONLY OTHER TASK GROUP ALPHA BOATS ACTIVE

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SATURDAY WERE SIX UNITS OF RIV DIV III WHICH ESCORTED AN ARMY LCU FROM MY THO TO FIRE SUPPORT BASE DAVID AND BACK TO THE SONG MY THO WITHOUT INCIDENT.

BOATS OF RIV DIV 151 HAD NO RESISTANCE SATURDAY WHILE SUPPORTING FOUR REGIONAL FORCE COMPANIES IN SEARCH AND SWEEP OPERATIONS ALONG THE SONG MANG THIT. THE FOUR COMPANIES WERE LANDED ON THE MANG THIT SATURDAY MORNING ABOUT 20 KILOMETERS SOUTH OF VINH LONG.

IN A DELAYED REPORT FROM CAN GIOUC, A COMBINED U. S.-VIETNAMESE FORCE SUPPORTED BY BOATS OF RIV DIV 132 KILLED FIVE VC AND TOOK 13 PRISONERS OF WAR DURING AN OPERATION FRIDAY 15 KILOMETERS NORTH OF GO CONG.

GROUND UNITS INVOLVED IN THE SWEEP WERE CHARLEY COMPANY, 3/39 INFANTRY, REGIONAL FORCE/POPULAR FORCE TROOPS AND CAN GIOUC DISTRICT NATIONAL POLICE. IN ADDITION TO THE PERSONNEL LOSSES, THE ENEMY LOST ONE AK-47, AN M-1, AN M-16, TWO GRENADE LAUNCHERS, TWO PISTOLS AND NUMEROUS DOCUMENTS.

REPORTS FROM TASK GROUP BRAVO INDICATED THAT MONITOR 132-2, ATC 131-1 AND ATC 132-11 WERE AMBUSHED ON THEIR WAY BACK TO CAN GIOUC FRIDAY AFTERNOON, BUT THERE WAS NO REPORT OF U. S. CASUALTIES.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 10-26

MOBILE RIVERINE GROUP ALFA WAS VISITED SUNDAY AFTERNOON BY THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY, THE HON. PAUL R. IGNATIUS. THE SECRETARY WAS ACCOMPANIED DURING HIS THREE-HOUR VISIT BY VICE ADMIRAL ELMO ZUMWALT, COMMANDER, NAVAL FORCES VIETNAM, AND REAR ADMIRAL W. HARNISH, DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF PROGRAM APPRAISAL.

FOLLOWING A BRIEFING ON MRF OPERATIONS FROM COMMODORE SALZER AND COLONEL BLAND, THE SECRETARY PRESENTED FOUR BRONZE STARS TO 117 PERSONNEL, TOURED ASSAULT BOATS ALONGSIDE THE BENEWAH, OBSERVED A FIRING DEMONSTRATION ON THE SOUTH BANK, AND VISITED THE ASKARI AND NUCECS.

RECEIVING BRONZE STARS IN THE CEREMONY WERE BMS THOMAS McDONALD,

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SN DAVID S. COIT AND FM FRANK VIGNOLA, ALL OF RIV DIV 92, AND RMS JAMES HALL OF RIV DIV 111.

IT WAS LEARNED SUNDAY THAT ONE INFANTRYMAN WAS KILLED AND 15 ARMY AND NAVY PERSONNEL WERE WOUNDED IN AN AMBUSH OF RIV DIV 132 BOATS FRIDAY AFTERNOON IN EASTERN LONG AN PROVINCE, EIGHT KILOMETERS EAST OF CAN GIOUC.

ATC-132-11 BORE THE BRUNT OF THE ENEMY ATTACK, SUSTAINING FOUR ROCKET HITS INCLUDING ONE THAT PASSED COMPLETELY THROUGH THE 20MM MOUNT. MIRACULOUSLY, THE CUNNER IN THE MOUNT WAS BENDING DOWN AT THE TIME AND RECEIVED ONLY MINOR SHRAPNEL WOUNDS. A TOTAL OF SIX NAVYMEN AND NINE INFANTRYMEN WERE WOUNDED IN THE AMBUSH.

IN OPERATIONS SUNDAY, RIV DIV 151 CONTINUED ITS SUPPORT OF REGIONAL FORCE TROOPS ALONG THE HANG THIT CANAL. IN ADDITION TO CONDUCTING A ROUTINE EXTRACTION AND INSERTION, THE BOATS DESTROYED SEVERAL BUNKERS AND SUPPORTED A MECAP IN WHICH 15 PEOPLE WERE TREATED.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 10-07

TASK GROUP ALFA ELEMENTS HAD A BUSY BUT UNEVENTFUL DAY MONDAY WHILE SUPPORTING OPERATIONS IN THREE AREAS OF KIEN HOA PROVINCE.

IN THE LARGEST OPERATION, BOATS OF RIV DIV 92 LANDED FOUR REGIONAL FORCE TROOPS ON THE CAI MON RIVER IN THE DON NHON DISTRICT 15 KILOMETERS WEST OF BEN TRE. AFTER MAKING THE INSERTION ABOUT 1030, THE BOATS WITHDREW TO THE HAM LUONG RIVER TO SPEND THE DAY. GROUND CONTACT WAS LIMITED TO SNIPER FIRE IN WHICH THE REGIONAL FORCE TROOPS SUSTAINED ONE KIA.

MEANWHILE, SIX BOATS OF RIVER DIVISION 111 WERE EXCORTING AN ARMY LCU DOWN THE GIAO HOA CANAL TO FIRE SUPPORT BASE DAVID. THE UNITS REPORTED NO RESISTANCE DURING EITHER THE MORNING TRANSIT OR

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THE RETURN TRIP LATE IN THE AFTERNOON.

OTHER UNITS OF RIV DIV 111 BEACHED TWO COMPANIES OF 4/47 INFANTRY ABOUT 1300 ON THE SOUTH BANK OF THE SONG MY TWO THREE KILOMETERS SOUTHWEST OF MY TWO.

BOATS OF RIVER DIVISION 151 RETURNED TO MRB BRAVO AT VINH LONG AT 0200 MONDAY AFTER TWO DAYS OF OPERATIONS WITH REGIONAL FORCE TROOPS ALONG THE MANG THIT CANAL. RESULTS OF THE OPERATION WERE 11 LARGE BUNKERS DESTROYED, INCLUDING SEVERAL ADJACENT TO MORTAR POSITIONS AND SURROUNDED BY VC BOOBY TRAPS. IN ADDITION, THE 151 BOATS PROVIDED 68 ROUNDS OF 105 MM H & I FIRE WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS AT THE REQUEST OF VINH LONG SUB-SECTOR.

WHILE MRB ALFA SHIFTED FROM DONG TAM TO MY TWO MONDAY MORNING, MRB BRAVO CONDUCTED A TWO-PHASE SHIFT FROM VINH LONG TO DONG TAM. SATYR AND APL-30 RELOCATED MONDAY MORNING, AND APL-26 AND VERON COUNTY MOVED IN THE AFTERNOON.

RIVERINE GROUP ALFA WAS VISITED MONDAY AFTERNOON BY MAJOR GENERAL MERVYN F. BROGAN, QUARTERMASTER GENERAL IN THE AUSTRALIAN ARMY IN COMPANY WITH MAJOR GENERAL E. L. MACDONALD, COMMANDER OF AUSTRALIAN FORCES IN VIETNAM.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 13-03

TASK GROUP ALFA HAD A QUIET DAY TUESDAY WHILE SUPPORTING VIETNAMESE REGIONAL FORCE TROOPS AND TWO COMPANIES OF 4/47 INFANTRY IN KIEN HOA PROVINCE.

BOATS OF RIV DIV 92 INSERTED THE RF TROOPS ON THE WEST BANK OF THE SONG HAM LUONG BELOW BEN TRE ABOUT 0345 AND STAYED ON THE SCENE TO PROVIDE FIRE SUPPORT UNTIL THE GROUND ELEMENTS WERE BACKLOADED FIVE HOURS LATER. AN EOD TEAM ACHIEVED ONE SECONDARY WHILE PREPPING THE BEACH BEFORE THE LANDING.

IN THE ONLY OTHER TASK GROUP ALFA ACTIVITY, BOATS OF RIVER DIVISION 111 BACKLOADED CHARLEY AND DELTA COMPANIES, 4/47 INFANTRY TUESDAY AFTERNOON ON THE SOUTH BANK OF THE SONG MY THO, THREE

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KILOMETERS SOUTHEAST OF DONG TAM. THE TROOPS WERE EXTRACTED AT 1400 AND CLOSED THE MRB ABOUT ONE AND ONE-HALF HOURS LATER.

TASK GROUP BRAVO REMAINED IN A READY REACTION STATUS AT DONG TAM TUESDAY.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 10-09

FIVE VC WERE KILLED WEDNESDAY IN TASK GROUP ALFA OPERATIONS
SOUTHEAST OF BEN TRE IN THE GIONG TRON DISTRICT OF KIEN HOA
PROVINCE.

ALL OF THE VC KIA WERE THE RESULT OF AIR STRIKES, INCLUDING
THREE BY HELICOPTER GUNSHIPS OF 3/5 AIR CAVALRY AND THE 240TH
ARMORED HELO COMPANY, AND TWO FROM A B-52 MISSION FLOWN OVER
THE AREA. OTHER RESULTS OF THE B-52 STRIKE WERE 38 BUNKERS AND
20 STRUCTURES DESTROYED AND THE CREATION OF ABOUT 93 SIZEABLE
CARATERS IN THE ENEMY-INFESTED COUNTRYSIDE.

FOLLOWING THE B-52 STRIKE, BOATS OF RIVER ASSAULT DIVISION
111 LANDED TWO COMPANIES OF 4/47 INFANTRY AT BEACHES SEVEN

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KILOMETERS SOUTHEAST OF BEN TRE. THE BOATS HAD AN UNUSUALLY QUIET
TRANSIT DOWN THE RACH BEN TRE AND REMAINED OVERNIGHT IN SUPPORT
OF THE INFANTRY.

OTHER TF 117 UNITS ACTIVE WEDNESDAY WERE BOATS OF RIVER ASSAULT
DIVISION 91 WHICH ESCORTED 3/54 ARTILLERY FROM A FIRE SUPPORT BASE
ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THOI SON ISLAND TO ONE LOCATED ON THE SOGG
HAM LUONG, 14 KILOMETERS SOUTH OF BEN TRE.

TASK GROUP BRAVO HAD ANOTHER READY REACTION DAY WEDNESDAY WHILE
RELOCATING TO THE MY THO ANCHORAGE IN THE AFTERNOON.

LIGHT LIFT CRAFT-FOUR AND UDT PERSONNEL WERE DISPATCHED TO THE
INTERSECTION OF THE SONG HAM LUONG AND THE RACH BEN TRE WEDNESDAY
AFTERNOON TO ASSIST IN THE SEARCH FOR A DOWNED "JOLLY GREEN GIANT"
NAVSUPPACT HELICOPTER. ALL OF THE CREWMEN AND PASSENGERS ESCAPED
WHEN THE HELO WENT DOWN WEDNESDAY MORNING IN THE VICINITY OF THE
HUNTERDON COUNTY, BUT THE AIRCRAFT HAD NOT BEEN LOCATED AS OF
WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 10-10

THIRTY-EIGHT ASSAULT BOATS OF TASK GROUP BRAVO SUPPORTED A MASSIVE ARVN OPERATION IN THE MOUST SABS AREA OF LONG AN PROVINCE THURSDAY.

THE BOATS OF RIVER SQUADRON 13 AND 15 WERE WORKING IN CONJUNCTION WITH VIETNAMESE RAC UNITS WHICH ALSO WERE SUPPORTING ARVN UNITS IN THE AREA. THE OPERATION STARTED AT 2200 WEDNESDAY WHEN THE U. S. BOATS LOADED A 7TH ARVN RECON COMPANY AT THE MY THO PBR BASE. THE BOATS CONDUCTED A NIGHT TRANSIT UP THE CHO CAO CANAL TO A FERRY LANDING ON THE SONG VAM CO, 14 KILOMETERS NORTH OF GO CONG, WHERE THEY LOADED THE 2/11 AND 3/12 ARVN BATTALIONS AT ABOUT 0300. CONTINUING WEST ON THE SONG VAM CO AND VAM CO TAY, THE BOATS BEACHED THE ARVN UNITS AT ABOUT 0715.

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MEANWHILE, THE VIETNAMESE NAVY BOATS LANDED OTHER ARVN TROOPS ALONG THE CHO GAO CANAL, SOUTH OF THE BEACHING POINTS OF THE U. S. BOATS. THE TASK GROUP BRAVO UNITS WERE SCHEDULED TO EXTRACT THE ARVN TROOPS AFTER THEY COMPLETED THEIR SWEEP THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

A DETACHMENT OF RIV DIV 132 BOATS IN THE CAN GIOUC-VHA BE AREA REPORTED NO SIGNIFICANT RESULTS TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY WHILE COMPLETING OPERATIONS WITH U. S. TROOPS OF 3/39 INFANTRY. THE 132 BOATS WERE RELIEVED THURSDAY AFTERNOON BY A GROUP OF 151 CRAFT AND WILL RETURN TO MRB BRAVO WITH THE RAS 13-RAS 15 BOATS WHICH SUPPORTED THURSDAY'S ARVN OPERATION.

TWO NAVY PERSONNEL AND AN INFANTRYMAN WERE WOUNDED DURING A BRIEF ROCKET ATTACK ON RIVER DIVISION 111 BOATS MOVING UP THE BEN TRE RIVER THURSDAY AFTERNOON. THE ATTACK WAS LAUNCHED AT 1355 JUST AFTER THE BOATS HAD BACKLOADED TWO COMPANIES OF 4/47 INFANTRY.

ATC 111-8 SUSTAINED TWO ROCKETS HITS IN THE ATTACK. THE BOATS RETURNED AND SUPPRESSED THE FIRE. THERE WERE NO FURTHER INCIDENTS DURING THEIR MOVEMENT BACK TO MRB ALFA.

LIGHT LIFT CRAFT-4 AND UDT PERSONNEL WERE SCHEDULED TO RETURN TO MRB BRAVO AND ALFA, RESPECTIVELY, AFTER THE SEARCH WAS CALLED OFF FOR THE NAVSUPPACT HELO WHICH CRASHED IN THE HAM LUONG RIVER WEST OF BEN TRE WEDNESDAY MORNING.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 12-11

THREE VC WERE KILLED AND TWO WERE CAPTURED THURSDAY BY GROUND ELEMENTS OPERATING WITH BOATS OF TASK GROUP BRAVO IN EASTERN LONG AN PROVINCE.

RESULTS OF A ONE-DAY SWEEP BY TWO ARVN BATTALIONS AND ONE RECON COMPANY NEAR THE "HOUSE CARS" WERE ONE VC KILLED AND TWO CAPTURED. THE ARVNS ALSO SEIZED ONE AK-47, 100 GRENADES AND 1100 DETONATORS. THE ARVN ELEMENTS WERE RETURNED TO THEIR BASES BY RAG UNITS AND BOATS OF TASK GROUP BRAVO, WHICH CLOSED MRS BRAVO AT MY THO BY 1930. ALSO MAKING THE RETURN TRANSIT DOWN THE CHO GAO CANAL WERE A DETACHMENT OF BOATS FROM RIVER DIVISION 132 WHICH HAVE BEEN OPERATING WITH FIRST BRIGADE TROOPS IN THE CAN GIOUC-NHA BE AREA FOR

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SEVERAL WEEKS AND A GROUP OF NEWLY ARRIVED ASSAULT CRAFT WHICH HAD COMPLETED OUTFITTING AT CAT LO.
IN OTHER ACTION, TWO VC WERE CONFIRMED KILLED AND ANOTHER WAS LISTED AS A PROBABLE KIA IN BRIEF CONTACT THURSDAY AFTERNOON BY BRAVO COMPANY, 3/39 INFANTRY SOUTHWEST OF NHA BE. SUPPORTING BRAVO COMPANY WAS A GROUP OF ASSAULT CRAFT FROM RIV DIV 151 WHICH RELIEVED THE RIV DIV 132 DETACHMENT THURSDAY AFTERNOON. THE TROOPS WERE LANDED NEAR A NIPPA PALM GROVE WHERE AN LOH HAD DRAWN AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE EARLIER IN THE AFTERNOON. A SWEEP OF THE AREA AFTER AN ARTILLERY STRIKE YIELDED TWO VC BODIES, TWO B-40 ROCKET LAUNCHERS, SEVEN B-40 ROCKETS, AN AK-47 AND ASSORTED ENEMY DOCUMENTS.

A READY REACTION DAY FRIDAY FOR TASK GROUP ALFA ELEMENTS WAS MARRED BY A BRIEF ROCKET ATTACK ON RIV DIV 92 UNITS MOVING UP THE GIAO HOA CANAL. THE BOATS WERE TRANSFERRING TROOPS OF 3/47 INFANTRY BETWEEN THE MRS AND FIRE SUPPORT BASE DAVID WHEN THEY WERE AMBUSHED ONE KILOMETER SOUTH OF THE CROSSROADS. THE BOATS SUPPRESSED THE FIRE, BUT TWO NAVYMEN ABOARD ATC 91-3 WERE WOUNDED BY A ROCKET HIT.

LIEUTENANT COMMANDER JULIUS KRONNACEL RELIEVED LIEUTENANT COMMANDER D. C. RUTHFORD AS COMMANDING OFFICER OF THE SATYR (ARL-23) THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

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TASK GROUP ALFA ELEMENTS HAD NO CONTACT WITH THE ENEMY SATURDAY WHILE LAUNCHING AN UNPRECEDENTED PENETRATION INTO THE HEART OF THE BINH DAI STORAGE ZONE.

LOCATED ON THE SOUTH VIETNAM COAST BETWEEN THE SONG MY THO AND THE SONG BA LAI, 45 MILES SOUTH OF SAIGON, THE BINH DAI DISTRICT HAS LONG BEEN AN UNCHALLENGED HAVEN FOR THE VIET CONG.

THAT ENDED SATURDAY MORNING WHEN SOUTHERN RIVER DIVISION 92 LANDED THREE COMPANIES OF 4/47 INFANTRY IN THE ENEMY BASE CAMP AREA. THE TROOPS WERE SUPPORTED IN THEIR SWEEP BY AIR FORCE PLANES, ARMY AIR CUSHIONED VEHICLES (ACVS), AND THE NAVY DESTROYER DUPONT (DD-941), WHICH POUNDED SUSPECTED ENEMY POSITIONS WITH HER

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 FIVE-INCH GUNS.

THE FIRST DESTROYER TO EVER PROVIDE FIRE SUPPORT FOR A RIVERINE ASSAULT OPERATION, THE DUPONT ACHIEVED ONE SECONDARY EXPLOSION WHILE DESTROYING SIX BUNKERS AND FIVE STRUCTURES. GROUND ELEMENTS DESTROYED 35 BUNKERS AND 50 PUNJI PITS AND FOUND TWO ENEMY MINES.

AIR FORCE PLANES RECORDED TWO SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS WHILE DESTROYING TWO BUNKERS AND ONE HUT.

THE ONLY TASK GROUP ALFA CASUALTIES SATURDAY WERE TWO MEN OF 3/47 INFANTRY WHO WERE INJURED BY COMMUNIST CHINESE BOOBY TRAPS IN SMALL UNIT OPERATIONS SOUTHEAST OF BEN TRE.

IN ORDER TO BETTER SUPPORT THE OPERATION, BENICAH DETACHED FROM THE OTHER FIVE SHIPS OF MFB ALFA AND MOVED 17 KILOMETERS EAST TO AN ANCHORAGE ON THE CUA TIEU ABOUT 15 MILES NORTH OF THE OPERATING AREA.

VISITING THE MRF SATURDAY AND SUNDAY IS VICE ADMIRAL ELMO R. ZIMMALT, COMMANDER NAVAL FORCES VIETNAM.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 13-14

TWENTY-TWO MORE VC WERE KILLED BY SECOND BRIGADE ELEMENTS MONDAY AS TROOPS OF CHAPLEY COMPANY, 4/47 INFANTRY DISCOVERED A SUSPECTED VC REST AREA IN THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF GO CONG PROVINCE. IN AN OPERATION SUPPORTED BY ARMY AIR CUSHIONED VEHICLES (ACVS), THE TROOPS ACHIEVED CONTACT WITH THE VC ELEMENTS ABOUT 1610. THE GROUND FORCES KILLED 15 ENEMY, GUNSHIPS, WHICH MOVED INTO SUPPORT THE FIGHTING, ACCOUNTED FOR ANOTHER SEVEN. IN ADDITION, THE INFANTRY SEIZED FIVE WEAPONS AND DETAINED 22 VIETNAMESE FOR QUESTIONING.

ALL OF THE 4/47 TROOPS WERE WITHDRAWN FROM THE GO CONG-BINH DAI AREA EARLY MONDAY AFTERNOON BY BOATS OF RIVER DIVISION 92 FOR RETURN TO THE MRB.

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MEANWHILE, ONE ADDITIONAL BODY WAS FOUND MONDAY IN A SWEEP THROUGH THE AREA OF SUNDAY NIGHT'S CONTACT BY BRAVO COMPANY, 3/47 INFANTRY 22 KILOMETERS EAST OF BEN TRE. A TOTAL OF 26 VC WERE KILLED IN THE BATTLE WITH AN ESTIMATED REINFORCED COMPANY.

IN OTHER ACTION, BOATS OF RIVER DIVISION 152 SUPPORTED 6/31 INFANTRY BATTALION AND A REGIONAL FORCE COMPANY IN A SEARCH AND SWEEP OPERATION IN WESTERN DINH TUONG PROVINCE, EIGHT KILOMETERS NORTHWEST OF VINH LONG. WHILE EN ROUTE TO THE BEACHES, THE BOATS RECEIVED SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE WHICH WAS QUICKLY SUPPRESSED WITH 20MM CANNONS.

THE TWO IF 117 TASK GROUPS CONTINUED THEIR REALIGNMENT MONDAY AS APL-32 AND APL-26 EMBARKED RIVER DIVISIONS 91 AND 112, RESPECTIVELY, AND JOINED TASK GROUP ALFA. RIVER SQUADRONS 13 AND 15 MOVED ABOARD THE MERCER AND NUCCES WHICH WILL BEGIN OPERATING WITH TASK GROUP BRAVO.

WITH RIVER DIVISIONS 91 AND 112 RETURNING TO THE LINE, RIVER DIVISION 92 MOVES TO THE BENECAN AND ASSUMES RESPONSIBILITY FOR MRB ALFA DEFENSE AND RIVER DIVISION 111 GOES TO THE WESTCHESTER COUNTY TO BEGIN SUPPORTING 3/34 ARTILLERY.

PITKIN COUNTY (LST-1052) ARRIVED AT MY TWO SUNDAY NIGHT FOR ITS

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FIRST WEEKLY RESUPPLY OF TASK GROUP ALFA SINCE RELIEVING ST. CLAIR
COUNTY.

BOTH THE BENEFAR AND TASK GROUP BRAVO RELOCATED TO THE MY TWO
ANCHORAGE MONDAY TO FACILITATE THE TASK FORCE REALIGNMENT.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 10-16

THREE VC WERE KILLED BY 3/47 INFANTRY WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON IN
THE ONLY SIGNIFICANT CONTACT REPORTED BY MRF ELEMENTS.

THE BRIEF ENGAGEMENT OCCURRED ABOUT 1550 WHEN ALPHA COMPANY,
3/47 INFANTRY TRAPPED THE ENEMY IN A HOOTCH SIX KILOMETERS EAST OF
BEN TRE.

ALSO ACTIVE WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON WERE TROOPS
OF THE 3RD VIETNAMESE MARINE BATTALION WHO WERE BEACHED ON THE
KINH GIAO HOA JUST NORTH OF THE CROSSROADS AT 1350. THE MARINES
HAD NO CONTACT, BUT ONE WAS KILLED AND THREE WERE WOUNDED BY
VC BOOBY TRAPS.

IN THE ONLY TASK GROUP BRAVO ACTION, BOATS OF RIVER DIVISION
132 SUPPORTED A BATTALION OF THE 9TH ARVN DIVISION'S 15TH REGIMENT

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IN AN OPERATION EIGHT KILOMETERS NORTHWEST OF SA DEC.

THE BOATS GOT UNDERWAY AT 1730 TUESDAY, PROCEEDED TO THE
DISTRICT TOWN OF DUC TON TO LOAD TROOPS, LOADED ADDITIONAL ARVNS
AT SA DEC AND BEACHED THE BATTALION ON THE RACH SA DEC ABOUT 0800.
THERE WERE NO KNOWN ENEMY CASUALTIES. ENEMY SNIPERS KILLED
THREE ARVNS AND WOUNDED TWO OTHERS.

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NINTH ARVN DIVISION TROOPS SUPPORTED BY BOATS OF RIV DIV 132
KILLED THREE VIET CONG AND CAPTURED TWO WEAPONS WEDNESDAY IN SPORADIC
CONTACT ALONG THE RACH SA DEC IN SA DEC PROVINCE.

THE ONE-DAY OPERATION ENDED LATE WEDNESDAY NIGHT, AND THE
BOATS RETURNED TO MRB BRAVO AT 0040 THURSDAY. ARVN LOSSES AS A
RESULT OF SNIPER FIRE WERE FOUR KIA AND FOUR WIA.

IN TASK GROUP ALFA OPERATIONS THURSDAY, BOATS OF RIVER DIVISION
91 SUPPORTED TWO COMPANIES OF VIETNAMESE MARINES ALONG THE SONG BA
LAI EAST OF THE CROSSROADS. OPERATING FROM A BASE NEAR THE CROSSROADS,
THE TROOPS CONDUCTED SEVERAL INSERTIONS AND EXTRACTIONS WITHOUT
INCIDENT WHILE CHECKING OUT REPORTED VC AMBUSH SITES AND A SUSPECTED
ENEMY HOSPITAL.

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ELEMENTS OF 3/47 INFANTRY KILLED ONE VC AND FOUND A 50-POUND
CLAYMORE MINE THURSDAY IN OPERATIONS IN KIEN HOA PROVINCE'S GIONG
TROM DISTRICT.

CC8 151-1, MONITOR 151-2 AND FIVE RIV DIV 151 ATC'S CHOPPED TO
CTG 117.1 THURSDAY AND THEIR CREWS MOVED ABOARD THE BENEWAH. THE
REMAINDER OF THE 151 BOATS HAVE REPORTED NO CONTACT IN THE LAST
SEVERAL DAYS WHILE CONTINUING THEIR SUPPORT OF 3/39 INFANTRY IN THE
CAN GIOUC-NHA BE AREA.

TASK GROUP BRAVO RELOCATED FROM DONG TAM TO VINH LONG THURSDAY
AFTERNOON, AND THE SHIPS OF TASK GROUP ALFA SHIFTED FROM MY THO TO
DONG TAM.

THE MRF WAS VISITED THURSDAY BY VICE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE
GEN. CURTIS LE MAY (RET.), FORMER AIR FORCE CHIEF OF STAFF. THE
GENERAL IS ON A FACT-FINDING MISSION TO VIETNAM AND VISITED ASSAULT
CRAFT ALONGSIDE THE BENEWAH FOLLOWING A BRIEFING ON MRF OPERATIONS
FROM COMMODORE SALZER AND COLONEL BLAND.

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THREE VC BODIES WERE FOUND BY ALFA COMPANY, 5/47 INFANTRY FRIDAY WHILE SWEEPING THROUGH AN AREA FOUR KILOMETERS SOUTHEAST OF BEN TRE WHERE LIGHT CONTACT HAD BEEN REPORTED THE PREVIOUS NIGHT.

THE BODIES WERE FOUND IN FRESHLY-DUG GRAVES AND WERE CREDITED TO MORIAR FIRE WHICH 3/47 ELEMENTS HAD CALLED ON THE ENEMY POSITIONS.

IN OTHER TASK GROUP ALFA ACTION FRIDAY, THE 3RD VIETNAMESE MARINES REPORTED NO CONTACT IN A FIVE-HOUR SWEEP THREE KILOMETERS WEST OF THE CROSSROADS. THE MARINES WERE SUPPORTED BY BOATS OF RIVER DISISION

TASK GROUP BRAVO, WHICH RELOCATED TO VINH LONG THURSDAY, MOVED FURTHER WEST ON THE SONG TIEN GIANG FRIDAY TO THE VICINITY OF THE CAM NAO CROSSOVER. BOATS OF RIV DIV 152 WERE BUSY FRIDAY SUPPORTING

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VINH LONG REGIONAL FORCE TROOPS ON T E SONG MANG THIT. THE ASSAULT CRAFT LEFT THE MRB AT 0115 AND NEITHER THEY NOR THE TROOPS HAD REPORTED ANY SIGNIFICANT CONTACT AS OF 1200.

TWO VC WERE KILLED AND ONE CHIEU HOI RALLIED WEDNESDAY DURING RIV DIV 151 OPERATIONS WITH 3/39 INFANTRY IN THE CAN GIOUC-NHA BE AREA.

THE MRB WAS VISITED FRIDAY BY BRIGADIER C.M.I. PEARSON, COMMANDER DESIGNATE OF THE 1ST AUSTRALIAN TASK FORCE.

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MOBILE RIVERINE GROUP ALFA ELEMENTS KILLED TEN VIET CONG FIRDAY NIGHT AND SATURDAY IN WIDELY SPREAD OUT ACTION IN KINE HOA PROVINCE. IN CONTACT FIRDAY EVENING, VIETNAMESE MARINES KILLED TWO VC IN THE VICINITY OF BASE GLENN NEAR THE CROSSRAODS OF THE GIAO HOA CANAL AND BA LAI RIVER.

THEN, JUST AFTER MIDNIGHT, A LONG RANGE RECONNAISSANCE PATROL (LRRP) TEAM ENCOUNTERED ABOUT SIX VC LOADING SUPPLIES ABOARD A SAMPAN WEST OF BEN TRE NEAR THE HAM LUONG RIVER. THE LRRPS KILLED THREE OF THE ENEMY, DESTROYED THE SAMPAN AND CAPTURED TWO BOXES OF MEDICAL SUPPLIES.

THE OTHER FIVE VC WERE CREDITED TO STRIKES BY AIR FORCE PLANES AND ARMY EHLICOPTERS. THREE WERE CLAIMED BY THE AIR FORCE, WHICH ALSO
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DESTROYED FOUR BUNKERS AND NINE STRUCTURES.

ALLIED GROUND ELEMENTS ALSO HAD LIGHT CONTACT SATURDAY. NINE INFANTRYMEN OF CHARLEY COMPANY, 3/47 INFANTRY, WERE WOUNDED IN THE EARLY AFTERNOON WHEN THEIR UNIT WAS AMBUSHED BY ABOUT 10 TO 15 VC WITH SMALL ARMS, AUTOMATIC WEAPONS AND ROCKETS. A VIETNAMESE MARINE WAS ALSO KILLED BY SMALL ARMS FIRE.

THE MARINES WERE BEACHED ABOUT 0830 ON THE RACH BEN TRE BY BOATS OF RIVER DIVISION 91. ALSO INVOLVED IN THE OPERATION WERE TROOPS OF 3/60 INFANTRY WHO WERE LANDED 12 KILOMETERS SOUTH OF BEN TRE ABOUT 1300, BY ASSAULT CRAFT OF RIV DIV 112.

BOATS OF TASK GROUP BRAVO WERE BUSY SATURDAY SUPPORTING OPERATIONS ON CU LAO MAY ISLAND 16 KILOMETERS SOUTHEAST OF CAN THO. T ASSAULT CRAFT OF RIVER DIVISION 152 LANDED TROOPS OF THE VINH LONG REGIONAL FORCE BATTALION AND 4/37 ARVN BATTALION ABOUT 09 BOATS OF RIV RON 13 AND 12 PBRs HAD ESTABLISHED A WATER SURROUNDING THE ISLAND. LATER, AT THE REQUEST OF THE TR THE BOATS FIRED 29 ROUNDS OF 105 MM H & I FIRE IN A I ON THE ISLAND. RESULTS OF THE OPERATION IN MID-AFTERNOON W KILLED, ONE CAPTURED AND THREE WEAPONS SEIZED.

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ALL OF THE BOATS MOVED TO THE OPERATING AREA VIA THE MANG THIT

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CANAL SYSTEM.

THE SHIPS OF TASK GROUP BRAVO COMPLETED THE MOVEMENT FROM THE VAM NAO CROSSOVER TO BINH THUY SATURDAY, ARRIVING ABOUT 1440.

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TASK GROUP BRAVO REMAINED IN A READY REACTION STATUS AT BINH THUY, AND RIVERINE GROUP ALFA HAD LITTLE CONTACT WHILE CONTINUING OPERATIONS IN KIEM HOA PROVINCE.

SEVEN VIETNAMESE AND TWO POSSIBLE HOI CHANHs WERE DETAINED BY 3/60 INFANTRY ELEMENTS OPERATING SOUTH OF BEN TRE, WHILE TWO U.S. PERSONNEL WERE WOUNDED--ONE BY A BOOBY TRAP AND ONE BY SMALL ARMS FIRE.

FINAL RESULTS OF SATURDAY'S ENCIRCLE AND SWEEP OPERATION BY ARVN TROOPS ON CU LAO MAY ISLAND SOUTHEAST OF CAN THO WERE THREE VC KIA, ONE VC CAPTURED, 10 DETAINEES TAKEN AND THREE WEAPONS CAPTURED. TASK GROUP BRAVO BOATS, CONDUCTING A WATER BLOCKADE AROUND THE ISLAND WITH PBRs, SEARCHED A TOTAL OF 77 SAMPANS AND

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DETAINED ONE VIETNAMESE.

GROUND ELEMENTS WORKING WITH RIV DIV 151 BOATS IN EASTERN LONG AN PROVINCE KILLED TWO VC, CAPTURED TWO OTHERS AND APPREHENDED NINE DETAINEES ON FRIDAY AND SATURDAY.

ON FRIDAY, TROOPS OF 3/39 INFANTRY KILLED TWO AND CAPTURED TWO VC 14 KILOMETERS SOUTHWEST OF CAN GIOUC. ON SATURDAY, THE 151 CRAFT SUPPORTED 764TH RF/PF TROOPS, A PROVINCIAL RECONNAISSANCE UNIT (PRU), AND 3/39 INFANTRY ELEMENTS 10 KILOMETERS SOUTH OF CAN GIOUC. RESULTS OF THE OPERATION WERE TWO VC KILLED AND SEVEN DETAINED, INCLUDING THREE POSSIBLE VC POW'S.

MOBILE RIVERINE GROUP BRAVO WAS VISITED SUNDAY BY BRIGADIER GENERAL NGUYEN VINH NGHI, COMMANDING GENERAL OF THE 21ST ARVN DIVISION, AND MEMBERS OF HIS STAFF. THE GENERAL WAS BRIEFED BY COMMODORE NOW AND WAS GIVEN A TOUR OF MERCER AND THE ASSAULT BOATS.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 10-21

THREE VC WERE KILLED BY TASK GROUP ALFA ELEMENTS MONDAY IN OPERATIONS IN KIEN HOA PROVINCE.

TWO OF THE ENEMY WERE KILLED BY A LRRP TEAM CONDUCTING NIGHT AMBUSHES ON THOI SON ISLAND, AND THE THIRD RESULTED FROM AN EXCHANGE OF SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE WITH 3/63 INFANTRY.

ONE NAVYMAN AND TWO ARMY PERSONNEL WERE INJURED AT 0742 DURING A LIGHT AMBUSH OF RIVDIV 112 BOATS ON THE THU CUU RIVER, 10 KILOMETERS SOUTH OF BEN TRE. THE WOUNDED WERE EMBARKED ON ATC 112-1 WHICH TOOK THE ONLY ROCKET HIT IN THE BRIEF ATTACK.

THREE OTHER ARMY PERSONNEL ATTACHED TO 3/47 INFANTRY WERE WOUNDED DURING THE DAY BY BOOBY TRAPS.

MRB ALFA WENT TO GENERAL QUARTERS AT 0300 MONDAY WHEN PERSONNEL

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ON THE BENEWAH BRIDGE OBSERVED ROCKETS PASSING BETWEEN 50 AND 200 FEET OVER THE SHIPS. FIRED FROM THE SOUTH BANK, THE ROUNDS WERE APPARENTLY NOT INTENDED FOR THE SHIPS BUT WERE DIRECTED AT DONG TAM. THE BASE REPORTED ONE MAN WOUNDED AND A GUNSHIP AND TWO BUILDINGS DAMAGED.

BENEWAH TOOK THE ENEMY POSITIONS UNDER FIRE WITH HER 40MM CANNONS AND THREE-INCH GUNS.

MRB ALFA SHIFTED TO AN ANCHORAGE EAST OF MY THO MONDAY AFTERNOON. MONDAY WAS A READY REACTION DAY FOR TASK GROUP BRAVO.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 12-2L

AIR CAV HELICOPTERS FLYING SUPPORT FOR 3/47 INFANTRY KILLED 20 VIET CONG TUESDAY IN CENTRAL KIEN HOA PROVINCE.

IN THE ONLY ACTIVITY INVOLVING IF 117 UNITS, ALPHA COMPANY, 3/60 INFANTRY WAS INSERTED BY RIV DIV 111 BOATS ON THE SOUTH BANK OF THE SONG MY THO, EIGHT KILOMETERS WEST OF DONG TAY. AFTER SWEEPING FOR ABOUT SEVEN HOURS WITHOUT CONTACT, THE TROOPS WERE BACKLOADED AND RETURNED TO MRB ALFA.

THE ONLY U.S. CASUALTY REPORTED TUESDAY WAS AN ARMY INFANTRYMAN INJURED IN A MORTAR ATTACK ON THE BEN TRE AIRFIELD. THE BASE RECEIVED THREE 82MM MORTAR ROUNDS ABOUT 1130.

TASK GROUP BRAVO HAD A READY REACTION DAY TUESDAY AND CONDUCTED TRAINING EXERCISES WITH ELEMENTS OF THE 4TH VIETNAMESE MARINE

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BATTALION IN THE VICINITY OF THE CAI RANG BRIDGE.

BOATS OF RIV DIV 151 OPERATING IN THE CAN GIUOC-NHA BE AREA REPORTED TWO POSSIBLE VC KIA OR WIA IN AN ENGAGEMENT MONDAY EVENING WHILE SUPPORTING 3/39 INFANTRY ELEMENTS. ABOUT 1300 THE BOATS SPOTTED TWO VIETNAMESE MALES BEACH THEIR SAMPAN AND SCRAMBLE ASHORE. THE BOATS TOOK THEM UNDER FIRE AND LATER FOUND A CHICOM GRENADE AND A SATCHEL CHARGE IN THE SAMPAN.

MRB ALFA RELOCATED FROM MY THO TO DONG TAM EARLY TUESDAY MORNING.
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