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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY NO.

ARMY ELEMENTS ENGAGED IN A SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION WEST OF CAN THO WERE IN MODERATE TO HEAVY CONTACT ALL DAY FRIDAY, REPORTING SEVEN VIET CONG KILLED IN ACTION AS OF 2000.

IN ADDITION, THE BODIES OF SEVEN OTHER VC KILLED DURING OPERATIONS IN THE AREA EARLIER IN THE WEEK WERE DISCOVERED BY CHARLIE COMPANY OF 3/60 INFANTRY.

FRIENDLY CASUALTIES IN FRIDAY'S BATTLE, WHICH WAS STILL IN PROGRESS WELL AFTER SUNDOWN, WERE THREE KILLED AND 26 WOUNDED, INCLUDING TWO FROM NON-HOSTILE CAUSES. ONE OF THE ARMY PERSONNEL KILLED WAS THE COMMANDER OF ALPHA COMPANY OF 3/60 INFANTRY. THE FIGHTING WAS WIDESPREAD, WITH ALL OF THE SEVEN COMPANIES IN THE AO IN ACTION AT LEAST ONCE DURING THE DAY.

THE NAVY ALSO HAD ITS SHARE OF CONTACT FRIDAY. AT ABOUT 2400Z, ASPB-112-8 TOOK A B-40 ROCKET ROUND ASTERN WHILE PATROLLING IN THE AREA OF

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THE SUNKEN ASPB-112-4. THE ROUND EXPLODED IN THE ENGINE SPACES, APPARENTLY KNOCKING THE BOAT CAPTAIN OVERBOARD AND ALSO INJURING THE BOAT CAPTAIN OF ASPB-112-4 WHO WAS RIDING ASPB-112-8 WHILE ASSISTING IN THE SALVAGE OPERATIONS ON HIS OWN BOAT.

THE ROCKET HIT CAUSED SOME FLOODING FROM RUPTURED ENGINE COOLING SYSTEM, BUT IT WAS QUICKLY CONTAINED AS OTHER UNITS MOVED IN TO HELP ASPB-112-8 SUPPRESS THE FIRE. AN EXTENSIVE SEARCH FOR THE MISSING BOAT CAPTAIN WAS CONDUCTED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

LIGHT LIFT CRAFT-FOUR WAS SUCCESSFUL IN RAISING THE SUNKEN ASPB BY EARLY IN THE EVENING FRIDAY, BUT APPROACHING DARKNESS PREVENTED ITS REMOVAL FROM

THE AO. BOATS OF RIV DIV 111 AND BRAVO COMPANY OF 3/60 INFANTRY ARE PROVIDING OVERNIGHT SECURITY FOR BOTH THE BEACHED ASPB AND THE LIGHT LIFT CRAFT.

OTHER NAVAL UNITS IN THE AO FRIDAY NIGHT WERE BOATS OF RIV DIV 91 SUPPORTING ARTILLERY ELEMENTS AT A FIRE SUPPORT BASE JUST SOUTH OF CAN THO AND RIV DIV 92 UNITS PATROLLING THE RACH BINH THOI NORTH OF THE AO.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY NO. 03-03

TEN VC WERE KILLED IN ACTION SATURDAY AS A RIVER ASSAULT RECONNAISSANCE ELEMENT MOVING UP THE NICHOLAI MANG THIT CANAL SYSTEM BETWEEN THE BASSAC AND CO CHIEN RIVERS SPOTTED A GROUP OF VC FLEEING AN ABANDONED OUTPOST AT 2930.

THE VIET CONG WERE TAKEN UNDER FIRE BY BOTH THE 12 RIVER ASSAULT CRAFT MAKING UP THE RARE AND A LIGHT HELO FIRE TEAM WHICH WAS FLYING COVER FOR THE BOATS AND THEIR EMBARKED VIETNAMESE RANGERS. EARLIER IN THE MORNING AT 0850, ANOTHER VC ARMED WITH A RIFLE ATTEMPTED TO EVADE THE BOATS AND WAS ALSO KILLED.

THE RARE COMPLETED ITS TRANSIT OF THE CANAL SYSTEM ABOUT 1130, REACHED VINH LONG BY 1545 AND WAS DUE TO ARRIVE DONG TAM LATER IN THE EVENING.

IN SHARP CONTRAST TO FRIDAY'S HEAVY FIGHTING IN THE AO WEST

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OF CAN THO, ONLY TWO INCIDENTS WERE REPORTED SATURDAY. AT ABOUT 1330, ONE ARMY INFANTRYMAN WAS KILLED AND TWO OTHERS WERE WOUNDED WHEN CHARLEY COMPANY OF 3/47 INFANTRY CAME UNDER HEAVY SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE WHILE CROSSING A STREAM. THE ONLY OTHER FRIENDLY CASUALTIES DURING THE DAY WERE TWO ARMY PERSONNEL WOUNDED WHEN ELEMENTS OF 3/47 INFANTRY RECEIVED A TOTAL OF 62 ROUNDS IN EARLY MORNING MORTAR ATTACKS.

CUMULATIVE CASUALTY FIGURES FOR THE TWO DAYS OF OPERATIONS WEST OF CAN THO WERE SEVEN US PERSONNEL KILLED AND 43 WOUNDED, INCLUDING THREE FROM NON-HOSTILE CAUSES. TWENTY-ONE VC WERE KILLED, NOT INCLUDING THE ELEVEN BY THE RARE AND SUPPORTING GUNSHIPS.

SALVAGE OPERATIONS ON ASPB-112-4 CONTINUED SATURDAY, BUT THE BOAT REMAINED BEACHED IN THE AO OVERNIGHT, PROTECTED BY AN ARVN RF COMPANY AND BOATS OF RIVER DIVISION III. OPERATIONS WILL BE RESUMED AT FIRST LIGHT SUNDAY MORNING.

OTHER ARMY AND NAVY ELEMENTS CLOSED THE MRB BY EARLY IN THE EVENING.

SHIPS OF THE MRB MOVED ABOUT FIVE MILES UP RIVER SATURDAY IN ORDER TO BE IN A BETTER POSITION TO GET UNDERWAY SUNDAY FOR THE 105-MILE TRANSIT TO DONG TAM.

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FOUR SHIPS OF THE MRF PLUS THE RESUPPLY LST COMPLETED ONE OF THE MRF'S LONGEST TRANSITS IN A SINGLE DAY SUNDAY WHEN THEY WENT FROM AFD HGTAY BETWEEN 1845 AND 1915.

THE AVERAGE SPEED FOR THE 105 STATUTE MILE TRIP WAS SLIGHTLY MORE THAN SEVEN KNOTS. THE ASPARI, 16 RIVER ASSAULT BOATS AND THE TWO LIGHT LIFT CRAFT REMAIN AT CAN THO TO SUPPORT SALVAGE OPERATIONS. THE TWO GP'S WHICH SANK SOUTHWEST OF THE CITY.

THE LST NO ASPR, A-91-1, WENT DOWN ABOUT 1900 SATURDAY WHEN IT WAS SWAMPED BY THE WAKE OF TWO OTHER UNITS WHICH PASSED NEARBY. IT SETTLED TO THE BOTTOM IN LESS THAN A MINUTE AND THE BOAT'S RADIO MAN WAS MISSING WHEN OTHER ASSAULT CRAFT IN THE AREA RESCUED OTHER CREW MEMBERS.

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SALVAGE OPERATIONS ON THIS BOAT STARTED SUNDAY MORNING. JUST AS EMERGENCY REPAIRS WERE BEING COMPLETED ON ASPR-112-4, BEACHED ABOUT 1500 YARDS WEST OF THE AREA WHERE ASPR-91-1 SANK. IT IS EXPECTED BOTH BOATS WILL BE RAISED AND MOVED OUT OF THE AREA WITHIN THE NEXT TWO DAYS.

FOUR OF THE ASSAULT CRAFT SUPPORTING THE SALVAGE OPERATIONS RECEIVED A BRIEF FLURRY OF SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE AS THEY WERE MOVING DOWN THE SONG CAN THO JUST EAST OF THE CAN RANG BRIDGE AT 0125 SUNDAY. THE HOSTILE FIRE WAS QUICKLY SUPPRESSED AND THERE WAS NO DAMAGE OR CASUALTIES.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY NO. 03-05

SALVAGE OPERATIONS ON ASPB-112-4, WHICH SANK LAST WEEK
SOUTHWEST OF CAN THO, WERE COMPLETED MONDAY AND THE BOAT
WAS TOWED TO THE RAG PIERS AT CAN THO. THE NUMEROUS HOLES
CAUSED BY ENEMY HITS WILL BE PATCHED THEN THE BOAT WILL BE
TOWED TO DONG TAM FOR PERMANENT REPAIRS.

LIGHT LIFT CRAFT-3 CONTINUED ITS SALVAGE ATTEMPTS ON ASPB 91-1
WHICH SANK IN THE SAME AREA ON SATURDAY. DIVERS BELIEVE THE
BOAT CAN BE LIFTED AND TOWED FROM THE AREA ON TUESDAY.
THE BODY OF BM2 LESLIE E. MURRAY WHO WAS BOAT CAPTAIN OF ASPB
112-8 WAS FOUND IN THE CAN THO RIVER SUNDAY AFTERNOON. PETTY
OFFICER MURRAY WAS KILLED AND BLOWN OVERBOARD WHEN E-48 ROUNDS
STRUCK HIS BOAT FRIDAY NIGHT.

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THE ASKARI, WHICH REMAINED NEAR CAN THO SUNDAY TO SUPPORT THE
SALVAGE OPERATIONS, REJOINED THE MRB ON MONDAY, COMPLETING
THE TRANSIT AT 1935.

THE LUZERNE COUNTY (LSI-902) RECEIVED THREE ROUNDS OF RECOILLESS
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IN THE ATTACK.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY NO. 93-26
THE MRS RECEIVED SIGNIFICANT HOSTILE FIRE FOR THE FIRST TIME
IN ITS YEAR OF OPERATIONS IN THE DELTA EARLY TUESDAY MORNING WHEN
AN ESTIMATED TEN ROCKET OR RECOILLESS RIFLE ROUNDS WERE FIRED AT THE
SEDDWICK COUNTY.

THERE WERE NO PERSONNEL CASUALTIES AS ONLY ONE OF THE ROUNDS
PENETRATED THE HULL, CAUSING MINOR DAMAGE IN A COMPARTMENT. THE
FIRE ORIGINATED FROM THE SOUTH BANK, BUT A LIGHT HELO FIRE TEAM
CALLED IN SPOTTED NO UNUSUAL ACTIVITY IN THE AREA.

DONG TAY RECEIVED SPORADIC MORTAR AND RECOILLESS RIFLE THROUGH-
OUT TUESDAY MORNING AND AGAIN DURING THE AFTERNOON. NINTY ROUNDS
WERE RECEIVED DURING PRE-DAWN ATTACKS WITH NINE PERSONNEL SUSTAINING
MINOR INJURIES.

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FOUR MORE PERSONNEL WERE WOUNDED WHEN 20 ROUNDS FELL ON THE BASE
AT 1705 IN THE AFTERNOON.

IN ADDITION TO THE MORTAR FIRE, ARMY SECURITY ELEMENTS ON THE
NORTH BANK TOOK SMALL GROUPS OF VC UNDER FIRE AT 0145 AND 0430.
THERE WERE NO KNOWN CASUALTIES ON EITHER SIDE AS A RESULT OF THE
EXCHANGE OF FIRE.

SALVAGE OPERATIONS ON ASPB-91-1, WHICH SANK SOUTHWEST OF CAN TWO
LAST SATURDAY, CONTINUED TUESDAY, BUT LIGHT LIFT CRAFT THREE WAS
UNABLE TO RECOVER THE SUNKEN BOAT BY SUNDOWN. COMMANDER,
RIVER ASSAULT DIVISION III AND SIX OF HIS UNITS REMAIN IN THE AREA
TO SUPPORT THE OPERATIONS.

THE 4/47 INFANTRY BATTALION COMPLETED ITS MOVE ABOARD COLLETON
AND WASHTENAW COUNTY TUESDAY. THE RIVER DIVISIONS ALSO SHIFTED
SHIPS, WITH RIV DIV 91 MOVING TO THE COLLETON, 92 TO THE WASHTENAW
COUNTY, 111 TO THE BENEWAN AND 112 TO APL-26.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY NO. 23-27
CHARLEY COMPANY OF 3/60 INFANTRY REPORTED NO CONTACT WEDNESDAY
AS IT CONDUCTED A SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION ON THE SOUTH
BANK OF THE SONG MY THO THREE MILES WEST OF THE MR3.
THE ONE-COMPANY OPERATION WAS DESIGNED TO ELIMINATE A
GROUP OF VC IN THE AREA THAT OCCASIONALLY USE AN ABANDONED ARVN
OUTPOST TO FIRE AT PASSING SHIPS. THE TROOPS WERE INSERTED AT
0830 BY BOATS OF RIV DIV 112 AND WERE EXTRACTED THREE HOURS LATER
BY RIV DIV 111 BOATS.

COMMANDER RIVER ASSAULT SQUADRON ELEVEN AND 14 OF HIS UNITS
DEPARTED THE MR3 AT 1230 FOR AN EXTENDED PERIOD OF OPERATIONS
INDEPENDENT OF THE REMAINDER OF THE FLOTILLA. ALL BUT ONE OF
THE BOATS--M-111-1--ARE FROM RIVER DIVISION 112, WHOSE COMMANDER

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IS ALSO IN COMPANY WITH CTG 117.2.

DURING THE ABSENCE OF TF 112 BOATS, RIVER DIVISION 92 WILL
SUPPORT 3/60 INFANTRY. RIV DIV 91 WILL WORK WITH 4/47 INFANTRY
WHILE 111 HAS ASSUMED THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR BASE DEFENSE AND
FOR ESCORTING ARTILLERY ELEMENTS.

DONG TAM RECEIVED SPORADIC MORTAR FIRE THROUGHOUT THE EARLY
MORNING WEDNESDAY. TWO ARMY PERSONNEL WERE WOUNDED, A TRUCK
WAS DESTROYED AND A HELICOPTER DAMAGED AS 36 ROUNDS WERE
COUNTED.

IN SALVAGE OPERATIONS SOUTHWEST OF CAN THO WEDNESDAY, LIGHT
LIFT CRAFT 3 SUCCESSFULLY RAISED A-91-1 AND TOWED IT TO THE CAN
THO RAG PIERS. ASPB 91-1 AND ASPB 112-A, WHICH WAS
RAISED EARLIER THIS WEEK IN THE SAME AREA, WILL NOW BE
RIGGED FOR TOWING BACK TO DONG TAM.

A NUMBER OF VC-CONSTRUCTED BUNKERS AND HUTS ON THE
SOUTH BANK OF THE SONG MY THO WERE DESTROYED WEDNESDAY
AS THE BENENAH CONDUCTED A SERIES OF FIRING EXERCISES FROM 1320
TO 1500.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY NO. 03-08

ONLY ONE MINOR INCIDENT WAS REPORTED BY MRF ELEMENTS THURSDAY
AS 3/60 AND 4/47 INFANTRY BATTALIONS COMMENCED A JOINT SEARCH AND
DESTRUCTORY OPERATION NORTH AND EAST OF MY TWO WITH ELEMENTS OF THE
SEVENTH ARVN DIVISION AND UNITS OF THE NINTH INFANTRY DIVISION'S
FIRST BRIGADE.

BOATS OF RIV DIV 91 TRANSPORTED 4/47 INFANTRY INTO DONG TAM,
FROM WHERE THEY WERE AIRLIFTED INTO THE AO EARLY IN THE MORNING.
THE 3/60 INFANTRY WAS BEACHED SEVERAL MILES UP THE CHO GAO CANAL
AT 0700 BY UNITS OF RIV DIV 92, WHICH STAYED IN THE AREA TO ESTABLISH
DEFENSIVE PATROLS.

IN THE ONLY INCIDENT OF THE DAY, AN INFANTRYMAN WAS WOUNDED BY
SNIPER FIRE LATE IN THE AFTERNOON.

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THE SCENE OF OPERATIONS WAS SHIFTING WEST THURSDAY EVENING, AS
ARMY AIR CAVALRY UNITS REPORTED ENEMY CONTACT WHILE OPERATING NORTH
OF MY TWO. BOTH MRF BATTALIONS WERE AIRLIFTED INTO THIS AREA EARLY
IN THE EVENING IN AN ATTEMPT TO ENGAGE THE VC FORCE OF UNKNOWN
SIZE.

COMMANDER RIVER ASSAULT SQUADRON ELEVEN AND THE 14 ASSAULT BOATS
WHICH GOT UNDERWAY AT 1230 WEDNESDAY FROM DONG TAM ARRIVED IN NHA
BE, SOUTH OF SAIGON, LATE WEDNESDAY NIGHT. THE FIRST INCREMENT OF
SEVEN BOATS WAS LOADED ABOARD THE USS COLONIAL (LSD-18) BY NOON
THURSDAY FOR TRANSPORTATION TO THEIR FINAL DESTINATION. THE REMAINDER
OF THE BOATS WERE SCHEDULED FOR LOADING ABOARD A SECOND LSD EITHER
THURSDAY AFTERNOON OR FRIDAY.

THE MRF MOVED 11 MILES DOWN RIVER EARLY THURSDAY MORNING IN ORDER
TO BE IN A POSITION TO PROVIDE CLOSER SUPPORT TO ELEMENTS IN THE
FIELD. THE TRANSIT WAS COMPLETED IN TWO HOURS WITH THE LAST SHIP
ANCHORING AT 1400. THE PRESENT ANCHORAGE IS FOUR MILES EAST OF MY
TWO.

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THE COLLETON REPORTED RECEIVING TWO BURSTS OF AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE FROM THE NORTH BANK AT 1640. A MAN WAS SPOTTED RUNNING ALONG THE BANK, BUT BID PATROLS INVESTIGATING THE INCIDENT FOUND NOTHING SUSPICIOUS.

WITH SALVAGE OPERATIONS SOUTH WEST OF CAN TWO COMPLETE ON ASPBS 91-1 AND 112-4, THE TWO LIGHT LIFT CRAFT AND UNITS OF RIV DIV III COMMENCED THEIR RETURN TRANSIT TO THE MRS AT 1655.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY NO. 23-29
ARMY ELEMENTS WERE IN MODERATE TO HEAVY CONTACT FRIDAY EVENING
AS THE MRF SHIFTED THE CENTER OF ITS OPERATIONS BACK TO
NORTHEAST OF MY TWO.

AS OF 1830H, TWELVE VC HAD BEEN KILLED IN ACTION WITH TROOPS
OF 4/47 INFANTRY STILL ENGAGED IN HEAVY FIGHTING.

THE BATTLE ERUPTED IN THE EARLY AFTER NOON SHORTLY AFTER
CHAMLEY COMPANY OF 3/60 INFANTRY COMPLETED ITS AIRLIFT INTO
THE NEW AREA OF OPERATIONS AT 1345. NUMEROUS VC WERE SPOTTED
RUNNING ALONG A WOODLINE, AND IN THE ENSUING EXCHANGE OF FIRE,
EIGHT ENEMY WERE KILLED. THERE WAS ONE U. S. INFANTRYMAN
KILLED AND FIVE OTHERS WOUNDED. THE FATALITY AND THREE OF
THE WOUNDED RESULTED FROM FRIENDLY GUNSHIP FIRE.

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MORE FIGHTING BROKE OUT AT 1745 WHEN THE ENEMY ATTACKED FROM
PREPARED POSITIONS AS BRAVO COMPANY OF 4/47 INFANTRY WAS COMPLETING
ITS AIRLIFT INTO A LANDING ZONE. DURING THE BARRAGE OF AUTOMATIC
WEAPONS AND ROCKET FIRE, FIVE HELICOPTERS WERE SHOT DOWN AND AT
LEAST THREE U. S. PERSONNEL WERE WOUNDED AS GROUND FIGHTING
CONTINUED AFTER DARKNESS.

FRIDAY'S OPERATIONS BEGAN NORTH OF MY TWO WHERE BOTH MRF
BATTALIONS HAD BEEN AIRLIFTED THURSDAY EVENING. ONE ARMY ENGINEER
WAS KILLED AND 12 OTHER PERSONNEL WERE WOUNDED AS A RESULT OF SMALL
ARMS, AUTOMATIC WEAPONS AND ROCKET FIRE IN THE EVENING, BUT
THE ENEMY BROKE CONTACT DURING THE NIGHT AND ONLY FOUR VC WERE
KILLED DURING A SWEEP THROUGH THE AREA FRIDAY MORNING.

WHEN VC ACTIVITY WAS REPORTED NORTH OF THE CHO GAO CANAL,
IT WAS DECIDED TO AIRLIFT THE TWO BATTALIONS BACK INTO THE
AREA WHERE THE ENTIRE OPERATION STARTED THURSDAY MORNING.

NAVY ELEMENTS CONTINUED PATROLLING ALONG THE SONG MY TWO FRIDAY
BUT REPORTED NO UNUSUAL ACTIVITY.

HEAVY FOG NEAR THE VAM NAO CROSSOVER BETWEEN THE SASSAC AND
MY TWO RIVERS DELAYED THE TRANSIT OF RIV DIV III. THE TWO
LIGHT LIFT CRAFT AND EIGHT ASSAULT BOATS FROM CAN TWO THURSDAY

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A SEVEN HOUR-STOP AND WERE EXPECTED TO CLOSE DONG TAM BY LATE
FRIDAY EVENING.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY NO. 23-11

SIX VC WERE KILLED DURING A DAY OF SPORADIC CONTACT SUNDAY IN
SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS SEVEN MILES WEST OF THE
MRB.

BOATS OF RIVER SQUADRON NINE BEACHED 3/68 AND 4/47 INFANTRY
BATTALIONS BETWEEN 0715 AND 0745. THE LATEST
PHASE OF CORONADO XII IS BEING CONDUCTED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE
9TH INFANTRY DIVISION'S 1ST BRIGADE WHICH IS OPERATING NORTH
OF THE TWO 2ND BRIGADE BATTALIONS.

THE ONLY FRIENDLY CASUALTIES OF THE DAY WERE THREE NAVYMEN
OF RIVDIV 92 WHO SUSTAINED MINOR WOUNDS WHEN THEIR
RIVERINE ARMORED RECONNAISSANCE ELEMENT RECEIVED SMALL ARMS
FIRE AT 1045. ALL THREE RETURNED TO DUTY AFTER BEING TREATED.

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RIVDIV 91 UNITS HAD RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE EARLIER IN
THE MORNING AS THEY WERE MOVING IN TO LAND 4/47 INFANTRY.
BUT THERE WERE NO CASUALTIES.

SFS DUWORD LOMBARD OF E COMPANY 709TH MAINTENANCE BATTALION
WAS LOST OVERBOARD FROM A BOSTON WHALER ABOUT 1040 TODAY. ANOTHER
MAN IN THE WHALER FROM THE SAME UNIT PFC GEORGE HERNANDEZ WENT INTO
THE RIVER AND ATTEMPTED TO RESCUE LOMBARD AND HAD TO BE PULLED
FROM THE RIVER UNCONSCIOUS. DUWORD LOMBARD'S BROTHER DALTON IS
THE ENGINEER ON I-92-7. WE ARE SADDENED BY THIS LOSS AND EXPRESS
OUR SYMPATHY TO DALTON AND THEIR PARENTS.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY NO. 03-12

TWENTY-FOUR VIET COMS WERE KILLED AND TEN WERE CAPTURED MONDAY AS NRF ELEMENTS MOVED INTO THE AREA NORTH OF SHOOPY'S NOSE.

BOTH 3/60 AND 4/47 INFANTRY BATTALIONS WERE TRANSPORTED INTO THE NEW AO EARLY IN THE AFTERNOON BY BOATS OF RIVER SQUADRON NINE. MOST OF THE FIGHTING TOOK PLACE SOUTHWEST OF CAI LAY WHERE GUNSHIPS AND TROOPS OF 3/60 INFANTRY HAD AN ESTIMATED TWO SQUADS OF VC ON THE RUN. GUNSHIPS ACCOUNTED FOR 15 OF THE VC KIA, WHILE 3/60 WAS CREDITED WITH SEVEN.

SEVENTY-SEVEN VIETNAMESE WERE DETAINED DURING THE DAY, INCLUDING ONE WHO HAD 272,925 PIASINES IN HIS POSSESSION. AS OF 2030 FOURTEEN OF THESE HAD BEEN RELEASED AS INNOCENT CIVILIANS.

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THE ONLY FRIENDLY CASUALTIES OF THE DAY AS A RESULT OF HOSTILE ACTION OCCURRED AT ABOUT 0920 WHEN FOUR BOATS OF RIVER SQUADRON ELEVEN WERE INSERTING ARMY ELEMENTS AT A FIRE SUPPORT BASE SOUTHEAST OF CAI BE. ONE ARMY ENGINEER WAS KILLED AND FOUR OTHER ARMY PERSONNEL WERE WOUNDED IN A BARRAGE OF SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE. THE VC GUNS WERE SILENCED BY MONITOR 111-3 WHICH STRAILED THE ENEMY POSITIONS WITH CANNON FIRE AND GRENADES. TWO VC WERE KILLED BY THE NAVAL GUNFIRE.

LT. HENRY DETWEILER, OPS OFFICER OF RIV ROM 2, WAS THE ONLY NAVY MAN WOUNDED MONDAY. HE RECEIVED MINOR SHRAPNEL WOUNDS AS THE ASSAULT CRAFT WERE RECOVERING BY FIRE A PROPOSED BEACHING AREA.

INFANTRY AND ARTILLERY ELEMENTS WERE EXTRACTED FROM THE AO ABOUT 1920, AND ALL UNITS WERE EXPECTED TO CLOSE THE MRB BY LATE IN THE EVENING.

THE BODY OF SP5 DUNWOD LOWARD OF ECHO COMPANY OF THE 709TH MAINTENANCE BATTALION WAS FOUND BY A FOUR-BOAT ASP2 SEARCH PARTY ABOUT 0830 MONDAY. HE WAS LOST OVERBOARD FROM A BOSTON WHALER EARLY SUNDAY EVENING.

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ARMY AND NAVY ELEMENTS OF THE MRF REMAINED IN A READY REACTION

POSTURE TUESDAY WHILE CONDUCTING PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE FOR THE NEXT PHASE OF CORONADO XII.

MEMORIAL SERVICES WERE HELD ON THE BENEWAH PONTOON TUESDAY

AFTERNOON FOR FOUR MEMBERS OF RIVDIV III WHO LOST THEIR LIVES IN

RECENT MRF ACTION. RIVFLOT ONE CHAPLAIN NATE LOESCH CONDUCTED THE

SERVICES FOR BM1 JEDER J. WARREN, EMB JAMES L. LIEN, EMB MAYNARD

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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY NO. 03-14

MRF ELEMENTS CONDUCTED A SECOND DAY OF PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE WEDNESDAY WHILE PREPARING FOR THURSDAY'S OPERATION WEST OF DONG TAM.

SEAMAN JAMES W. JOHNSON OF CCB 92-1 RECEIVED MINOR SCHRAPNEL WOUNDS WEDNESDAY WHEN HIS AND OTHER BOATS OF RIV DIV 92 WERE TEST FIRING ON THE SOUTH BANK OPPOSITE THE MFB. THE WOUNDS WERE NOT SERIOUS AND JOHNSON WAS TREATED ON BOARD AND RETURNED TO THE WASHINGTON COUNTY.

IT WAS LEARNED WEDNESDAY THAT COMMANDER RIVER ASSAULT SQUADRON ELEVEN AND THE MRF ASSAULT CRAFT OPERATING IN I CORPS COMPLETED THEIR FIRST TRANSIT OF THE THACH HAN RIVER BETWEEN CUA VIET AND

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DONG HA ON MONDAY. CUA VIET IS LOCATED ON THE COAST ABOUT SIX MILES SOUTH OF THE DEMILITARIZED ZONE, WHILE DONG HA IS THE SITE OF AN IMPORTANT U.S. SUPPLY BASE ABOUT 10 MILES INLAND. THE THACH HAN RIVER CUTS THROUGH AN AREA OF EXTREMELY HEAVY ENEMY CONCENTRATION, AND CONVOYS MOVING UP AND DOWN THIS RIVER HAVE BEEN SUBJECTED TO CONTINUAL HARRASSMENT BY NORTH VIETNAMESE ARTILLERY, MORTARS, MINES, ROCKET AND RECOILLESS RIFLE FIRE.

THE ASSAULT BOATS REPORTED NO HOSTILE FIRE MONDAY WHILE ESCORTING THEIR FIRST CONVOY OF LCU'S AND OTHER SUPPLY-CARRYING CRAFT, BUT A COMMAND DETONATED MINE WAS EXPLODED ASTERN OF AN LCM MINESWEEPER, DAMAGING THE BOATS SWEEP GEAR. A COMMAND WIRE AND REMAINS OF A DETONATOR WERE LATER FOUND BY ATC 112-2.

WHILE EN ROUTE TO DONG HA, THE ASSAULT BOATS CONDUCTED 40MM H AND 1 FIRE IN A SPECIFIED STRIKE ZONE.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY NO. 03-15

THE FLOTILLA SUFFERED THE COSTLIEST DAY IN ITS 13 MONTHS OF OPERATIONS IN VIETNAM THURSDAY AS TWO BOATS WERE DESTROYED--ONE OPERATING WITH COMMANDER RIVER ASSAULT SQUADRON ELEVEN IN I CORPS AND A SECOND INVOLVED IN OPERATIONS WEST OF DONG TAM.

ONE CREWMAN WAS KILLED, FIVE ARE MISSING AND ONE WAS SERIOUSLY WOUNDED WHEN ATC 112-7 HIT AN ESTIMATED 500-POUND MINE WHILE MINE-SWEEPING IN THE THACH HAN RIVER IN I CORPS. THE EXPLOSION FLIPPED THE BOAT UPSIDE DOWN, CAUSING EXTENSIVE DAMAGE AND THROWING THE CREW OVERBOARD.

THE BLAST OCCURRED AT 2719 THURSDAY AS THE BOAT WAS MINESWEEPING IN FRONT OF A CONVOY MAKING THE TRANSIT BETWEEN CUA VIEI ON THE COAST AND THE SUPPLY CENTER AT DONG HA. HEAVY DAMAGE TO THE BOW AND STARBOARD SIDE LEFT THE BOAT A TOTAL LOSS.

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EXACTLY ONE HOUR LATER, ASPB 92-7 WAS SUNK BY ENEMY FIRE AS IT WAS OPERATING WITH A RIVERINE ARMORED RECONNAISSANCE ELEMENT ON THE SAM GIANG RIVER NINE KILOMETERS WEST OF DONG TAM. THE BARGE WAS ABLE TO SUPPRESS A BARRAGE OF SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE, BUT A HOLE ONE FOOT IN DIAMETER WAS OPENED ON THE ASPB'S STERN WHEN IT EITHER RECEIVED A LARGE ROCKET ROUND OR PICKED UP A MINE IN ITS SWEEP GEAR.

THE ASPB'S BOW WAS IMMEDIATELY BEACHED, BUT THE STERN WAS UNDER 15 FEET OF WATER AND THE RISING TIDE EVENTUALLY LEFT THE CRAFT TOTALLY SUBMERGED.

TIDAL CONDITIONS IN THE AREA AND THE INABILITY OF THE LIGHT LIFT CRAFT TO PASS BENEATH A LOW BRIDGE AND THE NARROWNESS OF THE STREAM MADE SALVAGE OPERATIONS IMPOSSIBLE. ALL WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT WERE REMOVED FROM THE SUNKEN BOAT, AND IT WAS DESTROYED BY EOD PERSONNEL AT 1826.

MIRACULOUSLY, NO CREW MEMBERS OF THE ASPB WERE INJURED IN THE ATTACK, ALTHOUGH A MEMBER OF FLAME THROWER-02-5 WAS HIT IN THE ARM WITH A SMALL ARMS ROUND.

IN THE TWO BATTALION SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION, ONE VC WAS KILLED BY GUNSHIPS AND FOUR OTHERS WERE CAPTURED BY ELEMENTS OF 3/56 INFANTRY.

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ONE ARMY INFANTRYMAN WAS KILLED AND TWO OTHERS WERE WOUNDED AT 0840 WHEN THEY WERE HIT BY FRIENDLY ARTILLERY FIRE. THE ONLY OTHER U.S. CASUALTY OF THE DAY WAS AN INFANTRYMAN WHO WAS WOUNDED WHEN ONE OF OUR OWN GRENADES EXPLODED CLOSE TO HIS POSITION.

THE MRF WENT TO GENERAL QUARTERS AT 0405 THURSDAY WHEN WHAT IS BELIEVED TO BE A 57 MM RECOILLESS RIFLE ROUND STRUCK THE HULL OF THE WASHTENAW COUNTY WITHOUT PENETRATING.

THERE WERE NO CASUALTIES AND ONLY MINOR DAMAGE IN THE ATTACK. A BID PATROL REPORTED THAT THE ROUND APPEARED TO ORIGINATE FROM THE NORTH BANK, BUT A LIGHT HELO FIRE TEAM RECONNOISSING THE AREA SPOTTED NO UNUSAL ACTIVITY.

INTERMITTENT TRACER FIRE HAD BEEN REPORTED IN THE VICINITY OF THE MRB FOR 45 MINUTES BEFORE THE RECOILLESS RIFLE ATTACK, BUT NO ROUNDS STRUCK THE SHIPS AND IT IS BELIEVED THIS WAS FIRE FROM A DONG TAN BUNKER RESPONDING TO SNIPER FIRE.

LT. DAVID WYRICK ASSUMED COMMAND OF RIVER DIVISION ON WEDNESDAY, RELIEVING LT. GEORGE KITCHEN WHO IS COMPLETING NINE MONTHS WITH RIVER SQUADRON NINE. AFTER A 30-DAY LEAVE, LT. KITCHEN WILL RETURN TO COM RIV FLOT ONE AS A MEMBER OF THE FLOTILLA OPERATIONS STAFF.

THE MRF WAS VISITED THURSDAY BY GENERAL EDGAR C. DOLEMAN, DEPUTY

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COMMANDER, U.S. ARMY FORCES, PACIFIC.

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FOURTEEN VIET CONG WERE KILLED FRIDAY BY ARMY ELEMENTS ENGAGED IN A TWO-BATTALION SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION SEVEN MILES NORTHEAST OF MY THO.

VIRTUALLY NO ACTIVITY WAS REPORTED UNTIL LATE IN THE AFTERNOON WHEN ELEMENTS OF 3/60 INFANTRY ACHIEVED CONTACT WITH A VC FORCE OF ESTIMATED COMPANY SIZE HOLED UP IN A HEAVILY BUNKERED WOODLINE.

HEAVY FIGHTING CONTINUED UNTIL AFTER DARK, WITH THREE INFANTRYMEN FROM 3/60 KILLED AND 12 OTHERS WOUNDED AS OF 2030. SEVEN OTHER ARMY PERSONNEL WERE INJURED BY BOOBY TRAPS FRIDAY--FOUR IN THE AO AND THREE ON THE NORTH BANK OF THE SONG MY THO PROVIDING SECURITY FOR THE MRB.

THE ONLY NAVAL UNITS INVOLVED IN THE OPERATION ARE THE CCS

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AND TWO ASPB'S OF RIV DIV III WHICH ARE STATIONED NEAR MY THO FOR COMMUNICATIONS RELAY. BOATS FROM RIVER ASSAULT SQUADRON NINE LIFTED THE TWO BATTALIONS TO PICKUP ZONES EARLY IN THE MORNING, BUT ALL OF THE ASSAULT CRAFT RETURNED TO THE MRB AFTER DROPPING OFF THEIR TROOPS.

NO LATER REPORTS WERE RECEIVED FRIDAY FROM I CORPS WHERE ATC 112-7 HIT AN ENEMY MINE THURSDAY WHILE SWEEPING IN FRONT OF A CONVOY ON THE THACH HAN RIVER.

THE MRB WAS VISITED FRIDAY BY REAR ADMIRAL W.V. COMBS, COMMANDER SERVICE FORCE, U.S. PACIFIC FLEET. HE RECEIVED A BRIEFING ON RECENT MRB OPERATIONS FROM COMMODORE SALZER.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY NO. 03-17

ALL ELEMENTS OF 3/60 AND 4/47 INFANTRY BATTALIONS RETURNED TO THE MRB SATURDAY AFTER COMPLETING A TWO-DAY OPERATION NORTHEAST OF MY TWO IN WHICH 26 VIET CONG WERE KILLED.

MOST OF THE FIGHTING TOOK PLACE BETWEEN 1600 AND 2030 FRIDAY, BUT SPORADIC CONTACT CONTINUED THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT AND SATURDAY MORNING AS THE ENEMY FORCE EXFILTRATED THE AREA. ELEMENTS POLICING UP THE HEAVILY-BUNKERED POSITIONS LATER IN THE DAY FOUND SEVERAL BODIES AND WEAPONS AND SIZABLE AMOUNTS OF AMMUNITION AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES.

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MEANWHILE, THE OTHER ASSAULT BOATS CONTINUED THEIR PATROLS BETWEEN CUA VIET AND DONG HA SUPPLY CENTER, REPORTING NO INCIDENTS DURING TRANSITS ON FRIDAY.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY NO. 03-18
THE ARF REMAINED IN A READY REACTION STATUS SUNDAY WHILE PREPARING
FOR THE NEXT PHASE OF OPERATION TRUNG CONG DINH.
TASK FORCE 117 UNITS CONDUCTED PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE AND TRAINING
OF REPLACEMENT BOAT CREWS.

MAJOR GENERAL EVELL, COMMANDING GENERAL, 9TH INFANTRY DIVISION
VISITED USS BENEWAH (APB-35), USS COLLETON (APB-36), USS WASHTENAW
COUNTY (LST 1166) AND APL-26. GENERAL EVELL INDICATED HE WAS VERY
PLEASED WITH THE ACCOMMODATIONS PROVIDED HIS TROOPS ON BOARD THE
SHIPS OF THE MRS.
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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY NO. 73-10

ONE NAVYMAN WAS KILLED AND 14 WERE WOUNDED MONDAY WHEN ASSAULT CRAFT OF RIVER DIVISION 92 WERE HIT BY A DEVASTATING BARRAGE OF ROCKET, RECOILLESS RIFLE AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE FIVE KILOMETERS NORTH OF SNOOPY'S NOSE.

KILLED IN THE ATTACK WAS LT. DAVID WYRICK, WHO ASSUMED COMMAND OF RIVER DIVISION 92 ONLY FIVE DAYS AGO. ALL BUT THREE OF THE WOUNDED WERE EVACUATED, MOST OF THEM TO MEDICAL FACILITIES ON THE COLLETON.

THE ATTACK OCCURRED AT 1517 AS THE DIVISION 92 BOATS WERE MOVING NORTH ON THE RACH DA RAY TO THEIR NIGHT POSITIONS. THE FOUR LEAD BOATS TOOK THE BRUNT OF THE ASSAULT, AND THE ENTIRE COLUMN WAS FORCED TO REVERSE COURSE IN THE FACE OF THE ENEMY FIRE. ASPP'S 92-5 AND 92-8, MONITOR 92-1 AND FLAMETHROWER 92-5 WERE THE UNITS HIT HARDEST.

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IN ADDITION TO THE MAJOR ATTACK ON THE RIV DIV 92 BOATS, THERE WERE FIVE OTHER INCIDENTS INVOLVING RIVER ASSAULT CRAFT AS OF 2200 MONDAY. FORTUNATELY, HOWEVER, THERE WERE NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES OR DAMAGE REPORTED IN ANY OF THE OTHER ATTACKS.

BOATS OF RIV DIV 91 RECEIVED FIRE THREE TIMES DURING THE DAY WHILE OPERATING ON THE RACH CAI BE NORTH OF THE CITY OF CAI BE. THE FIRST ATTACK OCCURRED AT 1407 WHILE BOATS WERE OFFLOADING EDHO COMPANY OF 4/47 INFANTRY 3 KILOMETERS NORTH OF CAI BE. AT 1737, SEVERAL KILOMETERS FARTHER NORTH OF THE FIRST ATTACK, MONITOR 91-1 SUPPRESSED A FLURRY OF ENEMY RECOILLESS RIFLE AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE.

OTHER ENEMY FIRE WAS RECEIVED IN THE SAME GENERAL AREA AT 1937 AS THE DIVISION 91 BOATS WERE RE-INSERTING ELEMENTS OF 4/47 INFANTRY AT A NEW LOCATION.

BOATS SUPPORTING ARTILLERY ELEMENTS AT A FIRE SUPPORT BASE JUST SOUTH OF SNOOPY'S NOSE ON THE SONG MAW THON ALSO CAME UNDER HEAVY ENEMY SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE AT 1915. THE FIRE WAS SUPPRESSED, BUT 15 MINUTES LATER, THE BOATS AGAIN BEGAN RECEIVING FIRE, INCLUDING SEVERAL ROCKET ROUNDS.

ONE ARMY ARTILLERYMAN WAS WOUNDED AND TWO LCM 6'S DAMAGED BEFORE THE BOATS SILENCED THE ENEMY GUNS.

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THURSDAY'S OPERATIONS BEGAN AT 0235 WHEN BOATS OF RIV DIV 111 LEFT
THE MPR TO ESCORT ARTILLERY ELEMENTS TO THE FIRE SUPPORT BASE.
BOATS OF RIVER SQUADRON NINE GOT UNDERWAY SEVERAL HOURS LATER, WITH
92 UNITS INSERTING 3/62 INFANTRY AT 0735 AND 91 BOATS BEACHING 4/67
INFANTRY AT 0800. IN CONTRAST TO THE HEAVY NAVY FIGHTING, THE
ARMY REPORTED VIRTUALLY NO ACTION DURING THE DAY.

TWO VIET CONG WERE KILLED BY GUNSHIPS AND FOUR PRISONERS WERE TAKEN
BY ELEMENTS OF 3/62 INFANTRY AS THE ARMY REPORTED THREE OF THEIR OWN
MEN WOUNDED DURING THE DAY.

THE PACV'S WERE ALSO OPERATING MONDAY, CONDUCTING A RECONNAISSANCE
MISSION ON CON TRON ISLAND ADJACENT TO THE FIRE SUPPORT BASE.

NEITHER OF THE TWO PACV'S NOR THEIR EMBARKED ARMY ELEMENTS REPORTED
ANY CONTACT, AND THE TROOPS WERE RETURNED TO THE FIRE SUPPORT BASE.

IN REPORTS FROM I CORPS, A THIRD BODY FROM THURSDAY'S MINING OF
ATC 112-7 WAS DISCOVERED DURING OPERATIONS IN THE THACH HAN RIVER.
THREE OTHER CREWMEN OF THE TROOP CARRIER ARE STILL MISSING IN
ACTION.

THE MPR MOVED TO THE VINH LONG ANCHORAGE IN THE MORNING IN ORDER
TO BE IN A BETTER POSITION TO SUPPORT THE OPERATIONS NORTH OF CAI
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THE REMAN GOT UNDERWAY FROM DONG TAM AT 0720, AND ALL SHIPS HAD
ANCHORED BY 1030.

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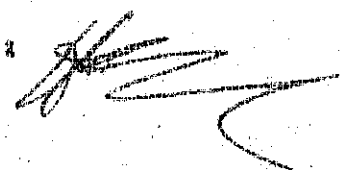
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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY NO 03-20

SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS NORTHEAST OF CAI SE WERE
TERMINATED ABOUT NOON TUESDAY, WITH NEITHER ARMY NOR NAVY ELEMENTS
REPORTING ANY CONTACT.

ALL BOATS AND THEIR EMBARKED TROOPS CLOSED THE MRS BY 1700.
FINAL RESULTS OF THE TWO-DAY OPERATION WERE TWO VC KILLED BY
GUNSHIPS AND FOUR OTHERS CAPTURED BY 3/60 INFANTRY.

FRIENDLY CASUALTIES WERE ONE KILLED AND 27 WOUNDED, INCLUDING
SIX FROM NON-HOSTILE ACTION. THE FATALITY AND 17 OF THE WOUNDED WERE
NAVYMEN INVOLVED IN MONDAY'S SERIES OF SIX ENEMY ATTACKS ON THE ASSAULT
BOATS OPERATING ON THE CAI DE AND BA RAI RIVERS.

THE MRS RELOCATED FROM VINH LONG TO THE DONG TAM ANCHORAGE
TUESDAY AFTERNOON, WITH THE FINAL SHIPS ANCHORING AT 1512.

LT GEN HENRY W.C. KENNARD, CC U.S. ARMY COMBAT DEVELOPMENTS
COMMAND, VISITED THE MRF THIS AFTERNOON. HE WAS BRIEFED ABOUT OUR
OPERATIONS, VISITED THE BOATS, AND TOOK A RIDE IN A PACV. HE WAS VERY
INTERESTED IN ALL OF OUR OPERATIONS.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 03-01

A QUIET DAY WAS REPORTED WEDNESDAY BY TWO ARMY BATTALIONS
ENGAGED IN SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS ABOUT TWO MILES NORTH
OF MY THO.

TWO VIET CONG WERE KILLED BY ARTILLERY FIRE AND ONE WAS
WOUNDED BY 4/47 INFANTRY DURING THE DAY. FRIENDLY CASUALTIES
WAS THREE ARMY PERSONNEL WOUNDED, INCLUDING TWO FROM NON-HOSTILE
FORCES.

ALL TROOPS WERE Airlifted INTO THE AO BY HELICOPTER WEDNESDAY
MORNING AFTER THEY WERE TRANSPORTED TO PICKUP ZONES BY BOATS OF
EVER SQUADRON NINE. THE ONLY NAVY ELEMENTS INVOLVED IN THE ACTUAL
OPERATION ARE SEVEN BOATS STATIONED NEAR MY THO WHICH ARE PROVIDING
COMMAND AND CONTROL FACILITIES AND ARE NOTING AS AN AFLOAT MEDICAL

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LED STATION.

A BOOBY TRAP ON THE NORTH BANK OPPOSITE THE MRR RESULTED IN
THE DEATH OF ONE INFANTRYMAN AND INJURIES TO FOUR OTHERS WEDNESDAY
EVENING. A DAISY-CHAIN TRIP WIRE TOUCHED OFF TWO OR THREE GRENADES
AS ELEMENTS OF CHARLEY COMPANY OF 4/47 INFANTRY WERE ESTABLISHING
FIGHT POSITIONS.

SHIPS OF THE MRB AND ASSAULT CRAFT CONDUCTED H AND I FIRES
WRES ON THE SOUTH BANK WEDNESDAY NIGHT AFTER A REPORT OF VC ACTIVITY
IN THE AREA. AN AUTHORITYATIVE INTELLIGENCE SOURCE INDICATED
THAT A VC FORCE OF UNKNOWN SIZE WAS PREPARING TO AMBUSH THE MRB
WITH B-40 ROCKETS. THE RENEWAL, WASHIENAW COUNTY AND TWO ASPE'S
CONTINUED THE H AND I FIRE THURSDAY EVENING.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY NO 03-28

A SECOND DAY OF NO CONTACT WAS REPORTED THURSDAY AS THE TWO MRF BATTALIONS CONCLUDED THEIR TWO-DAY SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION NORTH OF MY THO.

FINAL RESULTS OF THE TWO-DAY CAMPAIGN WERE TWO CV KILLED BY ARTILLERY AND TWO WEAPONS CAPTURED. SIX ARMY PERSONNEL WERE INJURED ON WEDNESDAY, ALL AS A RESULT OF NON-HOSTILE ACTION.

SHIPS OF THE MRE AND TWO ASFB'S CONDUCTED M AND I FIRE ON THE SOUTH BANK WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY NIGHTS IN RESPONSE TO CONTINUING REPORTS OF VC ACTIVITY IN THE AREA.

ON THURSDAY AFTERNOON, PERSONNEL ON THE APL-26 SPOTTED THREE MEN ENTERING A BUNKER ON THE SOUTH BANK OF THE RIVER OPPOSITE THE ASKARI. THE AREA WAS RECONNOYED BY FIRE BY THE BID PATROL WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.
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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY NO. 73-23

THE WRE RECEIVED THE SEVEREST ATTACK IN ITS YEAR OF OPERATIONS IN THE DELTA EARLY FRIDAY MORNING WHEN A TOTAL OF NINE ROCKET AND MORTAR ROUNDS WERE FIRED FROM THE SOUTH BANK AT THE BENEMAH AND WASTENAW COUNTY.

MODERATE DAMAGE WAS INFLICTED ON BENEMAH WHICH TOOK TWO TENN SECCILLESS ROCKET HEAT ROUNDS ON THE PORT SIDE FORWARD. THREE OTHER ROCKETS OR MORTARS EXPLODED CLOSE TO THE SHIP. BUT, FORTUNATELY, THERE WERE NO PERSONNEL CASUALTIES AS A RESULT OF THE ATTACK.

ONE OF THE ROCKETS PENETRATED THE BULKHEAD ON THE FORWARD VESS KECKS, RUPTURING A STEAM LINE AND AIR VENT, DAMAGING A PAN ROOM AND SPRAYING THE AREA WITH SIZEABLE CHUNKS OF SHRAPNEL.

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THE SECOND ROCKET STRUCK JUST FORWARD OF THE PORT ACCOMMODATION LADDER ABOUT ONE FOOT BELOW THE WATERLINE. THIS BLAST OPENED A HOLE 14 INCHES IN DIAMETER AND RUPTURED TWO BALLAST TANKS, CAUSING MINOR FLOODING. THE TANKS WERE PUMPED OUT TO FACILITATE REPAIRS, AND THE SHIP WAS LISTED FIVE DEGREES TO STARBOARD TO EXPOSE THE HOLE.

THE WASTENAW REPORTED RECEIVING A TOTAL OF FIVE MORTAR ROUNDS FROM ANOTHER LOCATION ON THE SOUTH BANK JUST AFTER THE ATTACK ON THE BENEMAH. SEVERAL OF THE ROUNDS FELL CLOSE TO THE SHIP BUT THERE WERE NO DIRECT HITS AND NO DAMAGE.

IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE ATTACK, TWO ASPRS ON BID PATROL ALONG THE SOUTH BANK TOOK THE AREAS FROM WHICH THE ROUNDS ORIGINATED UNDER FIRE WITH 81MM CANNONS AND 81MM MORTARS. WASTENAW, BENEMAH AND ASKARI ALSO STRAFED THE SOUTH BANK WITH 42 MM AND 1 INCH FIRE WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. THE TWO ASPRS, COLLETON AND BENEMAH HAD BEEN CONDUCTING M41 FIRE ON THE SOUTH BANK THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT.

THE ATTACK ON THE WRE WAS IMMEDIATELY PRECEDED BY ONE OF THE HEAVIEST MORTARINGS OF DONG TAM IN WEEKS. SEVENTY-THREE 122MM AND 81MM ROUNDS WERE COUNTED AND THREE PERSONNEL WERE WOUNDED IN THE 42 MINUTE ATTACK.

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TWO ONE AND ONE TRUNKS WERE ALSO DAMAGED WITH SEVERAL PAKING CRATES, CABLES AND COMMUNICATION WIRES. RIVER ASSAULT SQUADRON 11 BOATS IN I CORPS ARE CONTINUING TO ESCORT CONVOYS BETWEEN CUA VIET AND THE DONG HA SUPPLY CENTER WITHOUT INCIDENT. HEAVY LIFT PROBLEMS HAVE HINDERED REPAIR OF SEVERAL DAMAGED UNITS, HOWEVER, AND ONLY 12 OF THE 14 BOATS ARE OPERATIONAL AT THIS TIME.

TOM GREEN COUNTY (LST-1159) JOINED THE MRF FRIDAY AND BEGAN PREPARING TO RELIEVE THE WASHTENAW COUNTY AS MRF SUPPORT LST.

THE MRF WAS VISITED THURSDAY BY NEWSPAPER REPORTERS FROM THE SAN FRANCISCO EXAMINER, THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE, THE LONDON DAILY MIRROR AND THE LONDON DAILY MAIL.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY NO. 23-24

THE MRF CONDUCTED PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE SATURDAY WHILE
PREPARING FOR A PLANNED SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION.

TWO UNITS FROM RIV DIV III DESTROYED A BUNKER ON THE SOUTH
BANK EARLY SATURDAY AFTERNOON JUST AFTER LOOKOUTS ON THE BENUEAN
SPOTTED A VIETNAMESE MALE IN PAJAMAS EMERGING FROM THE FORTIFIED
POSITION.

NIGHTLY 4 AND 1 FIRE IS BEING CONTINUED ON THE SOUTH BANK
AND THE AIR FORCE PROVIDED TWO AIR STRIKES IN THE AREA ON SATURDAY
MORNING.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 03-03

ELEVEN VIET CONG WERE KILLED AND THREE WERE CAPTURED SUNDAY BY THE ELEMENTS OPERATING IN WESTERN DINH THONG PROVINCE SIX MILES SOUTH OF CAN BE.

CONTACT WAS GENERALLY LIGHT ALTHOUGH CHARLEY COMPANY OF 3/60 INFANTRY RECEIVED SPORADIC SWAMP FIRE FOR NEARLY FOUR HOURS FROM 1445 TO 1454. THE TWO MRF BATTALIONS ACCOUNTED FOR SEVEN VC KILLED, WHILE A TEAM OF HELO GUNSHIPS WAS ENGAGED WITH ONE OTHER FOUR.

FRIENDLY CASUALTIES WERE ONE KILLED IN ACTION AND SEVEN WOUNDED, INCLUDING SIX FROM NON-HOSTILE CAUSES. THE ONLY NAUTICIAN INJURED WAS A CREWMAN ABOARD RIV DIV 91 WHO SUFFERED A SEVERE HIP THROU WHEN HE WAS STRUCK BY A FALLING RADIO.

SUNDAY'S OPERATION BEGAN JUST AFTER MIDNIGHT WHEN ARTILLERY ELE-

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MENTS AND THEIR ASSAULT CRAFT ESCORTS BOAT UNDERWAY FROM THE DOMI TAY ANCHORAGE. BOATS OF RIVER DIVISION 92 INSERTED A-68 INFANTRY AT THEIR OBJECTIVE BEACHES AT 0315, WHILE A-67 INFANTRY WAS LANDED BY RIV DIV 91 UNITS AT 0045.

THE MRF DEPARTED DOMI TAY AT 0700 AND COMPLETED THE 26-MILE TRAVEL IN ABOUT NINE HOURS.

ALL SHIPS WERE ON A SPECIAL ALERT FOR ENEMY SWIMMERS SUNDAY NIGHT AFTER THE MARINE GENTRY ON TOM GREY COUNTY SPOTTED A SWIMMER WITH SNORKEL AND MASK ABOUT 120 YARDS OFF THE STARBOARD QUARTER AT 1712.

THE SWIMMER WAS REPORTEDLY VISIBLE FOR ABOUT FIVE SECONDS BEFORE DISAPPEARING BENEATH THE SURFACE. TWO PATROLS SEARCHED THE AREA OF THE SIGHTING WITH CONCUSSION GRENADES AND UCI PERSONNEL INSPECTED THE BULLS OF THE TWO LSTS WITH NEGATIVE FINDINGS.

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 DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY NO. 03-27

EIGHT VIET CONG WERE KILLED BY MRB ELEMENTS MONDAY IN
 A ONE-DAY SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION IN THE COCONUT GROVE
 AREA ON THE BORDER BETWEEN DINH THUAN AND GO CONG PROVINCES.
 DESPITE VC SIGHTINGS BEFORE AND IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE LANDING
 OF 3/60 INFANTRY BY RIV DIV 92 BOATS AT 0700, THERE WAS LITTLE
 SIGNIFICANT CONTACT DURING THE DAY.

ALL FIGHT OF THE VC KILLED WERE OPERATING IN AND AROUND
 HEAVILY FORTIFIED BUNKERS JUST NORTH OF THE POINT WHERE 3/60
 INFANTRY WAS BEACHED. THE GROUND FORCES AND HELO GUNSHIPS EACH
 ACCOUNTED FOR FOUR VC KIA.

THREE ARMY PERSONNEL WERE WOUNDED IN THE FIGHTING, TWO FROM
 BOOBY TRAPS AND ONE BY SNIPER FIRE.

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THREE COMPANIES OF 4/47 INFANTRY BATTALION WERE AIRLIFTED
 INTO ANOTHER OPERATING AREA NORTH OF THE 3/60 POSITIONS, BUT
 THEY REPORTED NO CONTACT. THE TROOPS WERE TRANSPORTED BY RIV DIV
 91 BOATS FROM THE MRB TO THEIR PICK-UP ZONE ABOUT 0650.

THE MRB RELOCATED FROM DONG TAM TO THE PRESENT ANCHORAGE
 SIX MILES WEST OF MY TWO BETWEEN 1000 AND 1200.

ALL ARMY ELEMENTS WERE BACKLOADED BY 1830 AND WERE RETURNED
 TO THE MRB LATER IN THE EVENING.

IN OTHER ACTION TODAY, FIVE BATTALIONS OF TIM ARVAN FORCES
 WERE IN HEAVY CONTACT WITH VIET CONG UNITS ABOUT SEVEN MILES EAST
 OF MY TWO AND IMMEDIATELY WEST OF THE MRB OPERATION AREA. THIRTY-TWO
 VC WERE KIA, 6 PRISONERS TAKEN, AND A FEW WEAPONS CAPTURED.
 ARVAN LOSSES WERE 9 KIA AND 62 WIA. ONE US ADVISOR WAS KILLED AND
 ONE WOUNDED IN THE ACTION, WHICH BROKE OFF AT NIGHTFALL. THE ARVAN
 BATTALIONS ARE HEADQUARTERED IN MY TWO.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY NO. 03-29

THE MRB MOVED FOR THE FOURTH CONSECUTIVE DAY WEDNESDAY,
RELOCATING TO DONG TAM AFTER A DAY OF OPERATIONS IN THE COCONUT
GROVE AREA EAST OF MY THO. THE SHIPS GOT UNDERWAY AT 1425
AND ANCHORED AT DONG TAM AT 1545.

THE PROSPECTIVE COMMANDER, NAVAL SUPPORT ACTIVITY, SAIGON,
CAPT. MAX C. DUNCAN, PAID AN ORIENTATION VISIT TO THE MRB WEDNESDAY
AFTERNOON. HE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY THE PRESENT COMNAVSUPACT, CAPT.
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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 23-29

A TOTAL OF EIGHT VIET CONG WERE KILLED THURSDAY IN SEARCH
AND DESTROY OPERATIONS IN THE LONG DINH AND CAI LAY DISTRICTS
12 MILES NORTHWEST OF DONG TAN.

CHARLEY COMPANY OF 4/47 INFANTRY KILLED THREE OF THE VC,
WHILE ARMY GUNS-7PS ACCOUNTED FOR THE OTHER FIVE.

CONTACT WAS GENERALLY LIGHT AND WAS LIMITED TO SEVERAL
EXCHANGES OF SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE. TWO ARMY
PERSONNEL OF CHARLEY COMPANY OF 4/47 WERE KILLED BY THE SNIPERS,
HOWEVER, AND ONE OTHER WAS SERIOUSLY WOUNDED. SIX OTHER ARMY PERSONNEL
RECEIVED WOUNDS FROM NON-HOSTILE ACTION.

THE TWO MRF BATTALIONS COMMENCED THEIR SWEEP SOUTH AFTER
BEING TRANSPORTED 12 MILES UP THE KINH XANG TO THEIR OBJECTIVE.

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REACHES. THE TROOPS WERE LANDED AT 0615 BY BOATS OF RIVER
ASSAULT SQUADRON NINE, NINE OF WHICH REMAINED IN THE AO
TO PROVIDE COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT.

SEVENTH AVN FORCES OPERATING NORTH OF THE SECOND BRIGADE
POSITIONS DISCOVERED A LARGE WEAPONS CACHE THURSDAY
AFTERNOON. AMONG THE ENEMY ARMS AND AMMUNITION CAPTURED
WERE 2 MACHINE GUNS, 100 B-42 ROUNDS, 54 B-41 ROUNDS, 45 82MM
MORTAR ROUNDS, 50 ANTI-TANK FUS, 30 ANTI-TANK MINES, AND 20,000
ROUNDS OF 30-47 AMMUNITION.

CREW MEMBER ON MONITOR 112-2, OPERATING IN I CORPS,
WAS WOUNDED AT 1755 WEDNESDAY WHEN DONG HA SUPPLY CENTER
RECEIVED EIGHT ROUNDS OF ENEMY ARTILLERY FIRE. EN2 FREDERICK
KAUSEL WAS TREATED FOR MINOR SHRAPNEL WOUNDS OF THE HEAD AND
RETURNED TO DUTY.

THE COCONINO COUNTY (LST-623) WAS COMPLETING ITS FIRST
WEEKLY RESUPPLY OF THE MRF FRIDAY. COCONINO COUNTY HAS
RELIEVED SEDGWICK COUNTY.

THE MRF WAS VISITED THURSDAY BY CAPT. PAUL B. PEREZ,
PROSPECTIVE COMMANDER, LANDING SHIP FLOTILLA ONE. HE RECEIVED
A BRIEFING ON MRF CONCEPTS AND OPERATIONS FROM CAPTAIN ALLEN AND
LIEUTENANT COLONEL LACKMAN.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY NO. 03-30

NO SIGNIFICANT CONTACT WAS REPORTED FRIDAY BY MRF ELEMENTS WRAPPING UP A TWO-DAY SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATION EIGHT MILES NORTHWEST OF DONG TAM.

TWO VC WERE KILLED BY GUNSHIPS AND ^{one} WAS TAKEN PRISONER BY 3/60 INFANTRY. FOUR ARMY PERSONNEL WERE WOUNDED FRIDAY, INCLUDING TWO FROM A BURST OF AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE SHORTLY AFTER MIDNIGHT AND TWO FROM BOOBY TRAPS.

A CREWMAN ABOARD A MONITOR OPERATING WITH RIVER DIVISION 92 RECEIVED FACIAL WOUNDS WHEN A SHELL COOKED OFF IN HIS 42MM MOUNT ABOUT 0730. HE WAS DUSTED OFF BUT THE WOUNDS WERE NOT CONSIDERED SERIOUS.

AN ARMY HELICOPTER WAS SHOT DOWN OVER THE AO ABOUT 1000

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FRIDAY, BUT THERE WERE NO CASUALTIES AND THE HELO WAS EXTRACTED SEVERAL HOURS LATE.

RIV DIV 92 UNITS BACKLOADED 3/60 INFANTRY NORTH OF THE LONG DINH BRIDGE AT 1520 AND RETURNED TO THE MRS ABOUT 1700. COMPANIES OF 4/47 INFANTRY WERE AIRLIFTED FROM THE AO INTO DONG TAM AND WERE RETURNED TO THE MRS BY BOATS OF RIV DIV 91 LATER IN THE EVENING.

SEVENTH ARVN FORCES FOUND ANOTHER LARGE ENEMY ARMS AND AMMUNITION CACHE FRIDAY. AMONG THE MATERIAL CAPTURED WERE 415 MORTAR ROUNDS, 327 57 MM RECOILESS RIFLE ROUNDS, 240 HAND GRENADES, 6,220 BLOCKS OF TNT AND 10,800 AK-48 ROUNDS.

ANOTHER MINING ATTEMPT ON RIVER ASSAULT CRAFT OPERATING IN I CORPS WAS REPORTED BY COMMANDER RIVER SQUADRON ELEVEN FRIDAY. AN ESTIMATED 200 POUND MINE WAS DETONATED ABOUT 10 FEET ASTERN OF MONITOR 112-1 WHILE PATROLLING EARLY THURSDAY MORNING. THE ASSAULT CRAFT SUFFERING A STEERING CASUALTY, BUT, FORTUNATELY, NO PERSONNEL WERE WOUNDED.

USS ASAKI WAS DESIGNATED "UNIT OF THE DAY" BY THE ARMED FORCES VIETNAM NETWORK OF FRIDAY.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY NO 03-31

MRG GROUND FORCES WERE INVOLVED IN ONLY ONE BRIEF EXCHANGE OF FIRE SATURDAY WHILE ENGAGING IN SEARCH AND DESTROY OPERATIONS SIX MILES EAST OF CAI BE.

TEN VC WERE KILLED IN ACTION, INCLUDING EIGHT BY GUNSHIPS AND TWO SNIPERS BY ALPHA COMPANY OF 3/60 INFANTRY. THERE WERE NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES.

ASSAULT CRAFT OF RIVER SQUADRON NINE TRANSPORTED THE TWO MRG BATTALIONS TO THEIR OBJECTIVE BEACHES, LANDING BETWEEN 0630 AND 0700. MOST OF THE ATC'S RETURNED TO THE MRG EARLY IN THE EVENING, LEAVING THE HEAVIER UNITS TO PROVIDE COMMUNICATIONS AND FIRE SUPPORT.

SEVENTH ARVN FORCES OPERATING IN DINH TUONG PROVINCE FOUND TWO MORE SIGNIFICANT ENEMY ARMS CACHES SATURDAY--RAISING TO

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FOUR THE NUMBER OF SUCH CACHES UNCOVERED IN THE PAST THREE DAYS.

MATERIAL CAPTURED IN THE OPERATING AREA EAST OF CAI BE INCLUDED EIGHT 60 MM MORTAR TUBES, 11 PAIRS OF BINOCULARS, 1,000 ASSORTED NINES AND AN ANTI-AIRCRAFT MACHINE GUN.

A SECOND LARGE CACHE WAS FOUND 14 MILES NORTHWEST OF DONG TAM WHERE MRG AND 7TH ARVN FORCES WERE OPERATING ON THURSDAY AND FRIDAY. THREE HUNDRED 120 MM MORTAR ROUNDS AND A LARGE QUANTITY OF SMALL ARMS AMMUNITION WERE AMONG THE MATERIAL DISCOVERED.

THIS ENEMY AMMO WAS UNCOVERED JUST AFTER LTJG PETER B. RANKIN, CHIEF STAFF OFFICER, RIVER DIVISION 111 AND FIVE OF HIS UNITS HAD COMPLETED TRANSPORTING THE WEAPONS DISCOVERED FRIDAY IN THE SAME AREA TO THE LONG DINH BRIDGE.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY

A QUIET DAY WAS REPORTED SUNDAY BY MRF ELEMENTS COMPLETING A TWO-DAY OPERATION EAST OF CAI BE.

THE ONLY INCIDENT IN THE AO OCCURRED AT 1150 WHEN ASSAULT CRAFT OF RIVER DIVISION 92 RECEIVED HEAVY SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM BOTH BANKS OF THE NAM THON RIVER. THE BOATS, WHICH WERE WITHDRAWING FROM THE BEACH AFTER BACKLOADING 3/60 INFANTRY, QUICKLY SUPPRESSED THE FIRE WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. THERE WERE NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES.

ALL MRF ELEMENTS CLOSED THE MRB BY 1715.

IN ANOTHER INCIDENT INVOLVING TF 117 UNITS, A GROUP OF BOATS MOVNG DOWN THE KINH XANG NORTH OF THE LONG BINH BRIDGE RECEIVED TWO NEAR MISSES FROM ROCKETS AT 1100. THE TWO ROUNDS

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PASSED BETWEEN AN ATC AND MONITOR AND EXPLODED ON THE OPPOSITE BANK. THE BOATS RETURNED FIRE WITH ALL WEAPONS, INCLUDING THE NEWLY INSTALLED FLAMETROWER ON MONITOR 92-2.

THE UNITS WERE MOVING SOUTH ON THE CANAL AFTER HAVING PICKED UP A LARGE ENEMY WEAPONS CACHE CAPTURED SATURDAY BY ARVN FORCES.

COMMODORE SALZER AND LCDR SCOTT MC CAULEY, THE FLOTILLA ASST OPS/PLANS OFFICER, WERE SCHEDULED TO DEPART SAIGON SUNDAY FOR A CONFERENCE AT THE AMPHIBIOUS BASE IN CORONADO.

THE FOUR-DAY MEETING HAS BEEN ARRANGED TO DISCUSS ARRANGEMENTS BEING MADE TO DOUBLE THE SIZE OF THE MRF WITHIN THE NEXT SIX MONTHS

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