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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY 06101

SECOND BRIGADE INFANTRYMEN ACHIEVED HEAVY CONTACT EARLY SATURDAY EVENING WITH SEVERAL VC SQUADS SEVEN KILOMETERS SOUTHEAST OF SA DEC.

GROUND ELEMENTS HAD REPORTED ONLY SPORADIC RESISTANCE UNTIL 1600 WHEN BRAVO COMPANY 3/60 BEGAN RECEIVING SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE FROM ENEMY BUNKERS. WHEN BRAVO COMPANY BECAME PINNED DOWN BOATS OF RIVER DIVISION 91 SHIFTED CHARLEY COMPANY INTO THE AREA IN AN EFFORT TO OUTFLANK THE ENEMY FORCES.

BOTH COMPANIES REMAINED IN CONTACT UNTIL AFTER DARKNESS, REPORTING NUMEROUS CASUALTIES IN THE DEVASTATING ENEMY CROSSFIRE. BY THE TIME THE FIGHTING FINALLY BROKE OFF AT 1940, NINE VIET CONG HAD BEEN CONFIRMED KILLED IN ACTION. SEVEN AMERICANS, DIED, ONE WAS LISTED AS MISSING IN

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ACTION AND 13 WERE WOUNDED IN THE THREE AND ONE-HALF HOUR BATTLE.

DURING THE SAME PERIOD, ALPHA COMPANY 3/47 OPERATING ABOUT ONE KILOMETER SOUTH OF THE OTHER BATTALION, BEGAN RECEIVING SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE FROM A SQUAD-SIZE VC UNIT. THEY CONTINUED TO RECEIVE INTERMITTENT SNIPER FIRE FOR SEVERAL HOURS, REPORTING 10 WOUNDED INCLUDING SIX AS A RESULT OF NON-HOSTILE ACTION.

IN ADDITION TO THE CASUALTIES IN THIS EARLY EVENING FIGHTING, THREE ARMY PERSONNEL DIED EARLIER IN THE DAY. TWO DROWNED WHEN A SAMPAN THEY WERE USING TO CROSS A STREAM CAPSIZED AT 1230. THE FIRST SERGEANT OF ALPHA COMPANY 3/47 INFANTRY WAS KILLED BY A SNIPER'S BULLET ABOUT 1400 IN AN EXCHANGE OF FIRE WITH AN ESTIMATED SIX TO 10 VC. ONE ENEMY WAS KILLED IN THE CLASH.

NAVY ELEMENTS REPORTED A PEACEFUL DAY SATURDAY DURING THEIR OPERATIONS ON THE NARROW, BUNKER-LINED NHA MAN RIVER. BOATS OF RIVER DIVISIONS 91 AND 111 INSERTED THE TROOPS ABOUT 0900 AND STAYED IN THE AO TO PROVIDE COMMUNICATIONS AND FIRE SUPPORT.

THE MRB SHIFTED ANCHORAGE SATURDAY MORNING TO VINH LONG, DEPARTING BEN TRE AT 0615 AND ARRIVING AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE MY THO AND CO CHIEU RIVERS ABOUT 0945.

YARD LIGHT LIFT CRAFT-ONE WAS RELIEVED BY YLLC-5 AT 1500 SATURDAY AND DEPARTED THE MRB FOR VUNG TAU.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 01-02

ARMY AND NAVY ELEMENTS RETURNED TO THE MRB SUNDAY AFTERNOON,
REPORTING ONLY SPORADIC CONTACT WHILE COMPLETING THEIR SWEEP THROUGH
THE DUC TON DISTRICT OF VINH LONG PROVINCE.

THREE U.S. PERSONNEL WERE WOUNDED IN ACTION SUNDAY. TWO ARMY
INFANTRYMEN WERE INJURED BY BOOBY TRAPS AND A CREWMAN OF ASPB 111-2
RECEIVED MINOR WOUNDS IN A SMALL ARMS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS ATTACK ON
ASSAULT CRAFT OF RIVER DIVISION 111 AT 1605.

THE ATTACK OCCURRED AS THE BOATS WERE BACKLOADING 3/47 INFANTRY FOR
RETURN TO THE MRB. MINUTES LATER ATC 91-5 TOOK A ROCKET OR RECOILETS
RIFLE HIT BELOW THE WATERLINE AS RIVER DIVISION 91 CRAFT WERE EXTRACTING
3/66 INFANTRY. THE ROUND DID NOT DETONATE AND THE FLOODING WAS QUICKLY
CONTROLLED. THE FIRE WAS RETURNED AND SUPPRESSED WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

FINAL RESULTS OF THE TWO-DAY OPERATION WERE 14 VIET CONG KILLED
IN ACTION. U.S. CASUALTIES WERE 10 KILLED AND 30 WOUNDED.

COMMANDER RIVER ASSAULT DIVISION 112, SIX OF HIS ASSAULT CRAFT,
AND MONITOR 111-1 RETURNED TO DONG TAM SUNDAY AFTERNOON FOLLOWING
ALMOST TWO MONTHS OF OPERATIONS ON THE CUA VIET RIVER IN I CORPS.

THE BOATS WERE TRANSPORTED FROM CUA VIET TO NHA BE BY THE GUNSTON
HALL, AN LSD, LT DON MAUSER, THE RIV RON 11 OPS OFFICER, AND SIX OTHER
RIV DIV 112 ATCS ARE STILL IN I CORPS BUT ARE EXPECTED TO BE
RETURNED TO THE DELTA IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

THE MRB WAS VISITED SUNDAY BY REAR ADMIRAL G.B. CRABE, COMMANDER
OF THE AUSTRALIAN FLEET, AND MAJOR GENERAL A.C. MACDONALD, COMMANDER
OF THE AUSTRALIAN FORCES IN VIETNAM.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY 25-33

RIVER ASSAULT DIVISION 91 SHIFTED FROM THE COLLETON TO
THE BENEWAH MONDAY AFTERNOON AND ASSUMED RESPONSIBILITY FOR
MRB DEFENSE.

RIVER DIVISION 91 RELIEVED DIVISION 92 WHICH MOVED TO THE
COLLETON TO BEGIN SUPPORTING 3/67 INFANTRY BATTALION.

RIVER DIVISION 111 CONTINUES TO SUPPORT 3/47 INFANTRY FROM
APL-26 AND RIVER DIVISION 112 WILL STILL BE BASED AT THE VERNON
COUNTY WHILE ESCORTING ARTILLERY ELEMENTS.

THE MRB SHIFTED ANCHORAGES FROM VINH LONG TO AN AREA JUST
EAST OF SA DEC MONDAY NIGHT, COMPLETING THE 16-KILOMETER TRANSIT
IN ABOUT ONE HOUR AND 15 MINUTES.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY 05-34

LT CLARENCE T. VAUGHT, COMMANDER RIVER ASSAULT DIVISION 131, AND
EIGHT OF HIS ATC'S DEPARTED DONG TAM EARLY TUESDAY MORNING FOR VUNG
TAU.

THESE AND ATC'S 131-9, 10, 11, 12 AND 13, WHICH RECENTLY ARRIVED IN
COUNTRY, WILL BEGIN PREPARING FOR INITIAL SHAKEDOWN OPERATIONS.

ALREADY AT VUNG TAU IS COMMANDER J. O. MARZLUFF, FORMER RIV FLOT ONE
ASSISTANT OPS OFFICER AND NOW THE CHIEF STAFF OFFICER FOR THE NEW MOBILE
RIVERINE GROUP. HE DEPARTED THE BENEMAH SUNDAY WITH LCDR ROBERT A.
SHRIVER, WHO IS SETTING UP THE NEW FORCE'S COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM. THEY

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AND NEW RIVRON 13 PERSONNEL ARE QUARTERED ABOARD THE USS BEXAR, AN APA
WHICH HAS BEEN ASSIGNED TO SUPPORT THE NEW MOBILE RIVERINE GROUP UNTIL
THE FIRST BARRACKS SHIPS AND BARGES ARRIVE.

COMMANDER PEVERIL BLUNDELL, COMMANDER RIVER ASSAULT SQUADRON 13,
ARRIVED THIS WEEK AND IS ALSO OPERATING FROM THE BEXAR WITH HIS OTHER
STAFF OFFICERS.

THE MRF WAS VISITED TUESDAY BY MR. EDWARD L. JAMIESON, EDITOR OF THE
WORLD SECTION IN TIME MAGAZINE, AND MR. WILLIAM RADMAEKERS, CHIEF OF
TIME'S BUREAU IN SAIGON. THEY WERE BRIEFED ON MRF OPERATIONS AND WERE
GIVEN AN ORIENTATION RIDE ON AN ASPR.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY 28-25

SECOND BRIGADE ELEMENTS REPORTED A DRY RUN WEDNESDAY AS THEY SWEEP THROUGH A FIVE-KILOMETER STRETCH ALONG THE CAN LO RIVER EAST OF THE CITY OF CAO LAMH.

THERE WAS NO HOSTILE CONTACT ALL DAY, AND THE ONLY SIGNIFICANT RESULTS OF THE OPERATION WERE THE DESTRUCTION OF 81 BUNKERS AND THE DETAINING OF 94 VIETNAMESE FOR QUESTIONING.

BOATS OF RIVER DIVISION 92 BEACHED 13/60 INFANTRY ABOUT 0745, WHILE ELEMENTS OF 3/47 INFANTRY WERE AIRLIFTED INTO THE AO AFTER BEING TRANSPORTED TO A PICK-UP ZONE BY DIVISION 111 BOATS.

THE TROOPS WERE BACKLOADED BETWEEN 1630 AND 1700 FOR RETURN TO THE MRB.

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THE FIVE SHIPS MOVED FROM SA DEC TO AN ANCHORAGE ABOUT FOUR KILOMETERS SOUTH OF CAO LAMH WEDNESDAY MORNING. THE SHIPS COMPLETED THE 24-KILOMETER TRIP IN TWO HOURS.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 06-06

ARMY ELEMENTS REMAINED IN A READY REACTION STATUS AT A PICK-UP ZONE EAST OF THE MRB THURSDAY WHILE AWAITING A POSSIBLE AIRLIFT INTO AN AO EAST OF CAO LANH.

THE TROOPS WERE TO BE RUSHED INTO THE AREA IN THE EVENT THAT ARVN UNITS ACHIEVED CONTACT. WHEN NONE DEVELOPED BY EARLY AFTERNOON, THE INFANTRYMEN WERE BACKLOADED AND TRANSPORTED BACK TO THE MRB BY BOATS OF RIV DIV 92 AND 111.

THE SHIPS RELOCATED FROM CAO LANH TO THE SA DEC ANCHORAGE THURSDAY MORNING, COMPLETING THE TWO-HOUR TRIP ABOUT 0815.
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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 06-06

ARMY ELEMENTS REMAINED IN A READY REACTION STATUS AT A PICK-UP ZONE EAST OF THE MRB THURSDAY WHILE AWAITING A POSSIBLE AIRLIFT INTO AN AO EAST OF CAO LANH.

THE TROOPS WERE TO BE RUSHED INTO THE AREA IN THE EVENT THAT ARVN UNITS ACHIEVED CONTACT. WHEN NONE DEVELOPED BY EARLY AFTERNOON, THE INFANTRYMEN WERE BACKLOADED AND TRANSPORTED BACK TO THE MRB BY BOATS OF RIV DIV 92 AND 111.

THE SHIPS RELOCATED FROM CAO LANH TO THE SA DEC ANCHORAGE THURSDAY MORNING, COMPLETING THE TWO-HOUR TRIP ABOUT 0815.
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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY 75-87

THREE VIET CONG WERE KILLED AND FOUR WERE CAPTURED BY SECOND BRIGADE FORCES FRIDAY IN OPERATIONS ALONG THE CAI LAN AND RUONG RIVERS IN WESTERN DINH THONG PROVINCE.

TWO OF THE VC WERE KILLED BY THE INFANTRYMEN AND THE THIRD WAS CREDITED TO ARTILLERY FIRE. IN ADDITION TO THE SPORADIC CONTACT, THE GROUND ELEMENTS LOCATED A SMALL ENEMY BASE CAMP AND DISCOVERED SEVERAL RECENT VC GRAVES.

THE ASSAULT CRAFT REPORTED ONLY A FEW ROUNDS OF SNIPER FIRE AS THEY REACHED THE TWO BATTALIONS ABOUT 0715. BOATS OF RIVER DIVISION 111 RETURNED TO THE MRB LATER IN THE MORNING, WHILE THE RIV DIV 92 UNITS

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REMAINED OVERNIGHT IN THE AO IN SUPPORT OF 3/69 INFANTRY.

USS PITKIN COUNTY ARRIVED FRIDAY AFTERNOON FOR ITS FIRST WEEKLY RESUPPLY OF THE MRE. PITKIN COUNTY RELIEVED THE COCONINO COUNTY IN VUNG TAU EARLIER THIS WEEK.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY 05-03

A SECOND STRAIGHT DAY WITHOUT CONTACT WAS REPORTED SATURDAY BY SECOND BRIGADE ELEMENTS OPERATING IN THE GIAO DUC DISTRICT OF DIEM TUNG PROVINCE.

RESULTS OF THE TWO-DAY OPERATION, WHICH ENDED INT THE EARLY AFTERNOON, WERE THREE VC KILLED AND SIX PRISONERS OF WAR APPREHENDED.

CUMULATIVE ALLIED CASUALTIES WERE ONE KILLED AND 12 WOUNDED, 10 OF THEM BY BOOBY TRAPS. THE FATALITY AND ONE OF THE WIA WERE VIETNAMESE TIGER SCOUTS WORKING WITH 3/60 INFANTRY.

THE TWO BATTALIONS WERE EXTRACTED BY BOATS OF RIVER DIVISIONS 02 AND 111 BETWEEN 1300 AND 1345. THE ARMY ELEMENTS COMPLETED LOADING ABOARD THE SHIPS AT 1415, AND THE MRF GOT UNDERWAY ALMOST IMMEDIATELY FOR THE THREE AND ONE-HALF HOUR TRANSIT TO DONG TAM.

THE RAPID RELOCATION OF THE MRF WAS DESIGNED TO BOLSTER THE ARMY'S

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DEFENSIVE POSTURE AT DONG TAM. SEVERAL COMPANIES OF 4/47 INFANTRY WERE AIRLIFTED FROM THE BASE EARLIER IN THE DAY TO SUPPORT FIRST BRIGADE ELEMENTS WHICH WERE INVOLVED IN HEAVY CONTACT WITH THE 514TH VC BATTALION.

THE MRF WAS VISITED SATURDAY BY REAR ADMIRAL F. B. GILKESON, PROSPECTIVE DIRECTOR OF LOGISTICS AND PLANS IN OP NAV IN WASHINGTON, D. C.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY 36-29

TROOPS OF 3/60 INFANTRY BATTALION WERE RETURNED TO THE MRB SUNDAY AFTERNOON AFTER BEING PICKED UP NEAR THE LONG DINH BRIDGE BY BOATS OF RIVER DIVISION 92.

THE INFANTRYMEN WERE COMMITTED TO ROUTE 4, 1ST BRIGADE FSPB AND DONG TAM SECURITY SATURDAY AFTERNOON WHEN THE REGULAR SECURITY ELEMENTS WERE RUSHED TO THE SUPPORT OF FIRST BRIGADE ELEMENTS WHO WERE REPORTED TO BE IN HEAVY CONTACT.

CHIEF JOURNALIST HENKEMEYER OF THE CINCPACFLT PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICE IS PRESENTLY MAKING A TWO DAY VISIT TO THE MRF TO RECORD COMBAT ACTION INTERVIEWS WITH TF 117 BOAT CREWMEN. THE CHIEF SPENT SUNDAY AFTERNOON TALKING TO PERSONNEL OF RIV DIV 111.

SOME OF THE RECORDINGS WILL BE USED IN "VOICES OF THE FLEET", A SERIES OF INTERVIEWS WITH PACIFIC FLEET NAVYMEN THAT IS DISTRIBUTED TO RADIO STATIONS THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES.

ALSO VISITING THE MRF IS MR. BELL DOLAN, A WELL-KNOWN

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CARTOONIST WHO DRAWS FOR ARMY DIGEST AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS. HE WILL BE HERE FOR ABOUT 13 DAYS AND WILL BE FOLLOWED BY ARMY DIGEST WRITER-PHOTOGRAPHER TEAM WHICH WILL BE ASSEMBLING A FEATURE STORY ON THE MRF.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 06-10
FORTY-FOUR VIET CONG WERE KILLED BY AIR AND NAVAL ELEMENTS MONDAY IN OPERATIONS CENTERED SOUTHEAST OF BEN TRE IN KIEN HOA PROVINCE. THE ASSAULT BOATS WERE INVOLVED IN SOME OF THE MOST HEATED FIGHTING OF THE DAY, COUNTING 20 VIET CONG KILLED IN TWO CLASHES. IN THE MOST PROFITABLE EXCHANGE OF FIRE, BOATS OF RIVER DIVISION 111 KILLED 16 VC, DESTROYED THREE ENEMY SAMPANS AND ACHIEVED THREE SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS WHILE SUPPRESSING HEAVY SMALL ARMS, AUTOMATIC WEAPONS AND ROCKET FIRE. THE BATTLE BROKE OUT JUST BEFORE SUNSET WHEN ONE OF THREE SAMPANS CROSSING IN FRONT OF THE COLUMN OF DIVISION 111 BOATS OPENED FIRE WITH ROCKETS, AUTOMATIC WEAPONS AND SMALL ARMS.

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AS THE ASSAULT CRAFT REPLIED WITH ALL WEAPONS, THEY BEGAN TAKING MORE ROCKET AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE FROM ENEMY TROOPS ON THE EAST BANK OF THE NARROW TAI PHU RIVER. THE BOATS ELECTED TO RUN THE AMBUSH, SINKING ALL THREE ENEMY CRAFT AND STRAFING THE ENEMY POSITIONS ON THE SHORE.

THE ATTACK OCCURRED AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE TAI PHU AND BEN TRE RIVERS, THE SAME POINT AT WHICH THE BOATS OF RIVER DIVISION 92 HAD ENGAGED IN A 20-MINUTE FIREFIGHT TEN HOURS EARLIER. THERE WERE NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES AND THE DENSE FOLIAGE ALONG THE SHORE MADE AN ASSESSMENT OF ENEMY LOSSES IMPOSSIBLE.

FOUR OTHER VIET CONG WERE KILLED BY THE RIVER ASSAULT BOAT CREWMEN IN A PRE-DAWN BATTLE JUST SOUTH OF THE "CROSSROADS" ON THE GIAO HOA CANAL. THIS ATTACK WAS LAUNCHED AT ABOUT 0630 AND ALSO INCLUDED HEAVY ROCKET, AUTOMATIC WEAPONS AND SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM ALONG THE WOODED BANK. THE 111 CRAFT RECEIVED SPORADIC FIRE FOR THE NEXT HOUR AS THEY CONTINUED MOVING DOWN THE RACH BEN TRE TOWARD THEIR OBJECTIVE BEACHES.

A TOTAL OF 10 NAVY PERSONNEL WERE WOUNDED MONDAY, NINE IN THE EARLY MORNING FIREFIGHT AND ONE IN THE ENGAGEMENT WITH THE SAMPANS. SEVEN OF THOSE WOUNDED IN THE FIRST FIGHT WERE ABOARD MONITOR 111-2.

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INCLUDING LT. CHARLES COX WHO ASSUMED COMMAND OF RIVER DIVISION 111
ON SUNDAY. ONLY ONE OF THOSE INJURED WAS CONSIDERED TO BE SERIOUSLY
HURT.

IN ADDITION TO THE HEAVY NAVAL CONTACT, ARMY HELO GUNSHIPS ALSO
KILLED 20 ENEMY IN SPORADIC INCIDENTS THROUGHOUT THE DAY. AIR FORCE
STRIKES ACCOUNTED FOR THE OTHER TWO CONFIRMED ENEMY KIA.

GROUND ACTION WAS EXTREMELY LIGHT, ALTHOUGH SEVERAL AMMUNITION
AND SUPPLY CACHES WERE LOCATED BY THE INFANTRYMEN.

BOTH BATTALIONS WERE BEACHED BETWEEN 0830 AND 0915, BUT NEITHER
REPORTED ANY CONTACT AS THEY MANEUVERED NORTH ALONG THE RACH BEN TRE.
WHEN ARVN ELEMENTS OPERATING SOUTH OF THE CITY OF BEN TRE WERE
REPORTED IN LIGHT CONTACT, IT WAS DECIDED TO MOVE THE MRF UNITS
INTO BLOCKING POSITIONS IN THE AREA.

THE INFANTRYMEN AGAIN FAILED TO ACHIEVE CONTACT AND SETTLED INTO
NIGHT POSITIONS AS MOST OF THE ASSAULT BOATS MOVED
OUT OF THE AO ONTO THE HAM LUONG RIVER TO FIND A QUIET ANCHORAGE.
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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 26-11

MRF ELEMENTS REPORTED A RELATIVELY QUIET DAY TUESDAY WHILE COMPLETING THEIR SWEEP THROUGH THE HEAVILY WOODED AREA SOUTHEAST OF BEN TRE.

ONE VIET CONG WAS KILLED AND ANOTHER RALLIED UNDER THE CHIEU HOI PROGRAM, AS SIX ARMY PERSONNEL WERE WOUNDED BY BOOBY TRAPS AND THREE WERE INJURED BY AN ENEMY M-79 ROUND.

THE TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS WERE BACKLOADED BETWEEN 1330 AND 1500 AND CLOSED THE MRB BY 1900. THE FIVE SHIPS, WHICH RELOCATED FROM DONG TAM TO THE ANCHORAGE EAST OF MY THO MONDAY MORNING, RETURNED TO DONG TAM TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

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THE USS SPHINX (ARL-24), A SISTER SHIP OF THE ASKARI, JOINED THE MRB TUESDAY. THE LANDING CRAFT REPAIR SHIP IS ONE OF SEVERAL VESSELS WHICH WILL JOIN THE FORCE UNDER THE PROGRAM DOUBLING THE SIZE OF THE FLOTILLA.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY 16-12

RIVER ASSAULT SQUADRON 13 RECEIVED ITS INITIATION INTO DELTA WARFARE TUESDAY AS IT SUPPORTED A ONE-COMPANY SEARCH AND SWEEP OPERATION ON THE RACH DOI NORTHWEST OF NHA BE.

THE ATC'S OF RIVER DIVISION 131 ARE OPERATING WITH MONITOR 91-1 AND ASPB'S 92-3, 111-3 AND 111-4 UNTIL THEIR OWN SUPPORT CRAFT ARRIVE IN COUNTRY.

THE ARMY ELEMENT INVOLVED IN THE OPERATION IS FROM 4/39 INFANTRY BATTALION, A UNIT OF THE NINTH INFANTRY DIVISION'S THIRD BRIGADE. THE INDRA, THE LANDING CRAFT REPAIR SHIP HELPING TO OUTFIT AND MAINTAIN BOATS OF THE NEW TASK GROUP, SHIFTED ITS ANCHORAGE FROM VUNG TAU TO NHA BE IN ORDER TO BETTER SUPPORT THE RIV RON 13 CRAFT.

PAGE 2 RUMSBB 563C UNCLAS E F T O

MRF ELEMENTS IN THE DONG TAM AREA CONDUCTED PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE TUESDAY IN PREPARATION FOR THE NEXT SEARCH AND SWEEP OPERATION.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY 26-13

NEITHER ARMY NOR NAVY ELEMENTS REPORTED ANY SIGNIFICANT HOSTILE CONTACT THURSDAY WHILE CONDUCTING A SWEEP ALONG THE BA KAI RIVER EAST OF "FOUR CORNERS."

THE OPERATION WAS ORIGINALLY PLANNED FOR TWO DAYS, BUT WHEN NO ENEMY FORCES WERE ENCOUNTERED BY LATE IN THE AFTERNOON, THE TWO BATTALIONS WERE BACKLOADED ABOUT 1830 AND RETURNED TO THE MRB.

RIVER ASSAULT DIVISIONS 92 AND 111 HAD BEACHED THE TROOPS BETWEEN 1000 AND 1030, AFTER UNITS OF RIV DIV 91 MADE A TRANSIT UP THE CHO GAO CANAL TO CONDUCT A MEDCAP IN THE VICINITY OF THE FERRY CROSSING. ABOUT 200 PATIENTS WERE TREATED BY LT. ZIEGLER, HM2 CHARLES MCWAY

PAGE 2 RUMSBB 6700 UNCLAS E F T O
AND HM MICHAEL SERENKO.

THE MRB RELOCATED THURSDAY MORNING FROM DONG TAM TO AN ANCHORAGE SIX KILOMETERS EAST OF MY THO.
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ONLY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 05-14

THE MRF WAS VISITED FRIDAY BY GENERAL CREIGHTON ABRAMS, THE
NEW MILITARY ASSISTANCE COMMANDER, VIETNAM, GENERAL ABRAMS, WHO
RECENTLY SUCCEEDED GEN. WILLIAM WESTMORELAND, WAS BRIEFED ON MR
OPERATIONS BY COMMODORE SALZER AND COLONEL ARCHER.

THE GENERAL ARRIVED AT THE BENEMAN ABUT 1515
HOUR AND 15 MINUTES.

THE SIX SHIPS OF THE MRF RELOCATED FROM THE ANCHORAGE EAST OF
TWO TO DONG TAM FRIDAY MORNING.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 66-15

LIGHT LIFT CRAFT-5 AND ARTILLERY ELEMENTS ESCORTED BY BOATS OF RIVER DIVISION 112 DEPARTED DONG TAM AT 1400 SATURDAY IN ADVANCE OF SUNDAY'S RELOCATION OF THE MRB.

THE MRB WAS VISITED SATURDAY BY AIR FORCE BRIGADIER GENERAL BURT W. MCLAUGHLAN, COMMANDER OF THE 834TH AIR DIVISION OF THE 7TH AIR FORCE. THE GENERAL WAS BRIEFED ON FORCE OPERATIONS BY COMMODORE SALZER AND COLONEL ARCHER.

FIVE FLOTILLA PERSONNEL RECEIVED BRONZE STARS AND SEVEN RECEIVED NAVY COMMENDATION MEDALS IN CEREMONIES ON THE BENEWAH PONTOON SATURDAY AFTERNOON. IN ADDITION EIGHT PURPLE HEARTS WERE AWARDED.

PAGE 2 RUMSBB 797C UNCLAS E F T O

PRESENTED BRONZE STARS BY COMMODORE SALZER WERE COMMANDER JOHN R. IVES, THE FLOTILLA LOGISTICS OFFICER; LT. PETER W. SOVEREL, CHIEF STAFF OFFICER, RIVER DIVISION 92; AND BOATSWAIN MATES FIRST CLASS DONALD B. GROCE AND WILLIAM M. MILLER, BOTH OF RIVER DIVISION 92.

THOSE RECEIVING NAVY COMMENDATION MEDALS WERE LIEUTENANT COMMANDER JOHN O'BRIEN, OF THE RIV FLOT ONE LOGISTICS OFFICE; EN1 LOW DOATY OF RIVER DIVISION 111; AND THE FOLLOWING BOAT CREWMEN OF RIV DIV 112: BM1 JAMES R. FLEMING, EN2 KAY A. COURTER, BM3 RICHARD P. BURGESS, SN DAVID M. GIANINI, SN DAVID E. BURG AND SN HAROLD E. FISCUS.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 06-16

THE ATTACK OCCURRED AT 0815 AS THE BOATS WERE MOVING TOWARD THEIR OBJECTIVE BEACHES. THREE OF THE WOUNDED WERE CREWMEN ABOARD ASPB 92-5 WHICH TOOK A B-40 ROCKET HIT JUST AFT OF THE 20MM MOUNT. A FOURTH MAN WAS WOUNDED ABOARD ATC 131-8 WHICH TOOK SHRAPNEL IN THE COXSWAIN'S FLAT.

PAGE 2 RUMSEB 867C UNCLAS E F T O

THE MRB SHIFTED ANCHORAGES SUNDAY FROM DONG TAM TO CAN THO, COMPLETING THE 110-MILE, 13-HOUR TRANSIT ABOUT 1900. ARTILLERY ELEMENTS AND LIGHT LIFT CRAFT-5, WHICH DEPARTED DONG TAM AT 1400 SATURDAY, REACHED CAN THO EARLIER IN THE AFTERNOON. MOST OF THE ASSAULT BOATS LEFT DONG TAM ABOUT 0200 SUNDAY AND CLOSED THE ANCHORAGE AT CAN THO SHORTLY AFTER THE SIX SHIPS OF THE MRB.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 06-17

ARMY HELICOPTER GUNSHIPS KILLED 33 VIET CONG MONDAY IN SUPPORT OF
SECOND BRIGADE FORCES SWEEPING THROUGH AND AREA 10 KILOMETERS SOUTH OF
CAN THO.

MOST OF THE ACTION OCCURRED BETWEEN 0800 AND 0900 AFTER BOATS OF RIVER
DIVISION 92 HAD BEACHED 3/60 INFANTRY ON THE CAI DAI RIVER. NEITHER 3/60
NOR 3/47 INFANTRY, WHICH WAS LANDED ON THE BA LANG RIVER ABOUT 0615,
ENCOUNTERED ANY SIGNIFICANT ENEMY FORCES AS THEY SWEEP TOWARD EACH OTHER
FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE DAY. TWO WOUNDED VIET CONG NURSES WERE CAPTURED
BY 3/60 INFANTRYMEN ABOUT 1130.

A FEW SNIPER ROUNDS COMPRISED THE ONLY RESISTENCE REPORTED BY THE
BOATS DURING THEIR TRANSIT DOWN THE CAI DAI AND BA LANG RIVERS.

FIVE CREWMEN OF MONITOR 91-1 OPERATING WITH TASK GROUP BRAVO IN THE
HUNG STA SPECIAL ZONE RECEIVED MONOR WOUNDS AT 1215 SUNDAY WHEN THE
ASSAULT BOATS WERE AMBUSHED FROM BOTH BANKS OF THE DONG TRAM RIVER.

THE ATTACK OCCURRED IN THE SAME AREA WHERE THE BOATS HAD BEEN HIT
EARLIER IN THE MORNING. FOUR NAVYMEN WERE WOUNDED IN THE FIRST ATTACK,
BUT NEITHER THEY NOR THE FIVE INJURED IN THE SECOND AMBUSH WERE SERIOUSLY
HURT. IN ADDITION TO THE MONITOR, ASPB'S 111-4 AND 92-5 AND ATC 131-5
WERE HIT IN THE SECOND ROCKET AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS ATTACK. THE BOATS
AND A HELICOPTER FIRE TEAM SUPPRESSED THE ENEMY FIRE.

THE USS WASHTEENAW COUNTY CLOSED THE MRB AT CAN THO AT 1900 AND BEGAN
PREPARATIONS TO RELIEVE THE VERNON COUNTY AS MRF SUPPORT LST.
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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 06-18

TEN MORE VIET CONG WERE KILLED BY ARMY ELEMENTS TUESDAY, RAISING THE TOTAL FOR THE OPERATION SOUTH OF CAN THO TO 43. INFANTRYMEN KILLED THREE ENEMY IN A SAMPAN SHORTLY AFTER MIDNIGHT, AND HELICOPTER GUNSHIPS ADDED SEVEN MORE VC KIA WHILE FLYING COVER FOR THE GROUND FORCES DURING THE DAY.

ELEMENTS OF 3/60 INFANTRY BATTALION RETURNED TO THE MRS EARLY TUESDAY EVENING, LEAVING FOUR COMPANIES OF 3/47 INFANTRY IN THE AO.

ALLIED CASUALTIES TUESDAY WERE FOUR WOUNDED, INCLUDING THREE BY SMALL ARMS FIRE AND ONE BY A BOOBY TRAP. IN ADDITION, THE BODY OF AN ARMY INFANTRYMAN WHO DROWNED IN A STREAM ON MONDAY WAS RECOVERED.

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ALL TF 117 BOATS OPERATING IN I CORPS HAVE NOW RETURNED TO THE DELTA. LT. DON HAUSER, OPS/PLANS OFFICER FOR RIV RON 11, AND SIX ATCS FROM RIVER DIVISION 112 WERE TRANSPORTED FROM CUA VIET TO NHA BE BY THE USS CARTER HALL, AN LSD. THE BOATS ARRIVED AT NHA BE ON MONDAY AND WERE SCHEDULED TO RETURN TO DONG TAM FOR REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 06-19

THE MRB ACHIEVED SPORADIC CONTACT WITH VC ELEMENTS WEDNESDAY WHILE SHIFTING THE CENTER OF ITS OPERATIONS INTO AN AREA SOUTHWEST OF CAN THO. NINE ENEMY WERE KILLED, RAISING THE TOTAL FOR THE THREE-DAY-OLD OPERATION TO 66. FOUR U. S. PERSONNEL WERE KILLED AND 19 WERE INJURED IN WEDNESDAY'S FIGHTING.

IN THE MOST COSTLY INCIDENT AT 1500, ONE ARTILLERYMAN WAS KILLED AND 13 OTHER ARMY PERSONNEL WERE INJURED WHEN AN ARMY LCM-8 WAS ATTACKED WITH ROCKETS ON THE CAN THO RIVER. TEN OF THE WOUNDED WERE ATTACHED TO 3/34 ARTILLERY BATTERY AND THE

PAGE 2 RUMSBB 0390 UNCLAS E F T O
OTHER THREE WERE MEMBERS OF THE 109TH BOAT COMPANY.

NAVY ASSAULT CRAFT WERE ATTACKED TWICE WEDNESDAY NEAR THE SAME LOCATION. AT 0715 A RECOILLESS RIFLE ROUND WAS FIRED AT RIVDIV 92 BOATS SOUTHWEST OF THE CAI RANG BRIDGE. THERE WERE NO CASUALTIES. LATER IN THE DAY, BOATS OF RIVER SQUADRON 11 WERE ATTACKED FROM THE SAME SPOT AS THEY MOVED DOWN THE CAN THO RIVER TO BACKLOAD 3/47 INFANTRY AT A FIRE SUPPORT BASE. THREE NAVYMEN WERE SLIGHTLY WOUNDED IN THE AMBUSH AS ASPB 112-1 TOOK A RECOILLESS RIFLE HIT IN THE 20MM MOUNT. A SEAWOLF HELICOPTER FIRE TEAM OPERATING WITH THE BOATS PLACED A STRIKE ON THE ENEMY POSITIONS IMMEDIATELY AND ACHIEVED A SECONDARY EXPLOSION WHILE HELPING THE BOATS SUPPRESS THE HOSTILE FIRE.

THE ARMY MOVED INTO THE THUAN NEON DISTRICT AFTER TWO DAYS OF LIGHT GROUND CONTACT SOUTH OF CAN THO. THE 3/60 INFANTRY WAS BEACHED WITHOUT INCIDENT BY BOATS OF RIVER DIVISION 92 AT 0830, AND ELEMENTS OF 3/47 INFANTRY WERE AIRMOBILED INTO THE AREA LATER IN THE DAY.

THE 3/47 INFANTRYMEN WITH BOATS OF RIV DIV 111 AND THE RIV DIV 92 BOATS RETURNED TO THE MRB WEDNESDAY NIGHT, LEAVING 3/60 INFANTRY IN THE AO ALONG WITH THE TWO CCS'S AND SUPPORT BOATS AND THE RIVDIV 11 BOATS SUPPORTING THE BARGE ARTILLERY.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 27-28

NRF ELEMENTS ACHIEVED MODERATE CONTACT WITH AN ESTIMATED VC COMPANY THURSDAY AFTERNOON AND FIGHTING CONTINUED UNTIL WELL AFTER DARKNESS.

SECOND BRIGADE ELEMENTS HAD THE FORCE SURROUNDED 18 KILOMETERS DUE WEST OF CAN IND AND WERE CALLING IN HEAVY AIR STRIKES AND ARTILLERY ON THE ENEMY POSITIONS. THERE WAS NO REPORT OF ENEMY CASUALTIES AS OF 2000H AS THE ARMY ELEMENTS CONTINUED TO MOVE IN ON THE ENTRAPPED VC FORCE. EIGHT PERSONNEL OF 3/60 INFANTRY HAD BEEN WOUNDED BY SMALL ARMS FIRE AS OF 2000H.

EARLIER IN THE DAY, ARMY UNITS HAD KILLED A TOTAL OF 15 VIET CONG, BOOSTING THE TOTAL FOR THE FOUR-DAY-OLD OPERATION TO 81. TROOPS OF 3/60

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THE THREE VC KIA RAISED THE TOTAL FOR THE FIVE-DAY OPERATION TO 84. THE OPERATION ENDED FRIDAY MORNING WHEN ELEMENTS OF 3/60 INFANTRY WERE AIRLIFTED BACK TO THE MRB AND ARTILLERY ELEMENTS MOVED THEIR FIRE SUPPORT BASES BACK TO THE BASSAC RIVER.
THE MRB WAS REDUCED TO FIVE SHIPS AGAIN FRIDAY WHEN THE ASKARI DEPARTED AT 1215. THE ARL WILL REJOIN THE FORCE IN ABOUT A MONTH AFTER COMPLETING A ROUTINE OVERHAUL PERIOD AT SINGAPORE. THE VERNON COUNTY (LST-1161) COMPLETED ITS TURNOVER TO THE WASHTENAW COUNTY (LST-1166) ON THURSDAY AND DEPARTED FOR VUNG TAU EARLY FRIDAY MORNING.

MEANWHILE, WINDHAM COUNTY (LST-1170) ARRIVED AT VUNG TAU ON THURSDAY AND WAS PREPARING FRIDAY TO JOIN THE MRF'S TASK GROUP BRAVO AS ITS FIRST SUPPORT LST. OTHER SHIPS PRESENTLY ASSIGNED TO TASK GROUP BRAVO ARE INDRA (ARL-37), WHICH IS SUPPORTING RIV ROM 13 IN ITS SHAKEDOWN OPERATIONS IN THE NHA BE AREA, AND BEXAR (APA-237) WHICH IS STATIONED AT VUNG TAU AND IS HELPING OUTFIT THE NEW RAS 13 BOATS AS THEY ARRIVE IN COUNTRY.

THE MRF AT CAN THO WAS VISITED FRIDAY BY REAR ADMIRAL HOUSE, DEPUTY COMNAVPORV, AND CAPTAIN MAX C. DUNCAN, COMMANDER NAVAL SUPPORT ACTIVITY SAIGON. THEY DISCUSSED SUPPLY PROBLEMS

PAGE 3 RUMSBB 1850 UNCLAS E F T O
WITH COMMODORE SALZER AND THE FLOTILLA'S LOGISTICS OFFICER.

ALSO VISITING FRIDAY WAS CAPTAIN K. JOHNSON, PROSPECTIVE OPERATIONS OFFICER AT CINCPAC.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 26-22

TWO MONITORS, ONE ASPB AND ONE ATC(H) OF RIVER DIVISION 91 PLUS SIX PBR'S OF TASK FORCE 116 AND 75 EMBARKED REGIONAL FORCES/POPULAR FORCES (REF/PP'S) CONDUCTED A THREE HOUR OPERATION SATURDAY MORNING AGAINST A KNOWN VC STAGING AREA ON THE CUA CUI CANAL, FIVE MILES SOUTH OF CAN THO.

THE MONITORS FIRED 116 ROUNDS OF 81MM MORTAR INTO A TREE LINE ALONG A STREAM WHICH PARALLELED THE CUA CUI CANAL. THE REF/PP'S THEN SWEEPED THROUGH THE AREA AND FOUND FOUR BUNKERS DESTROYED, ONE OF WHICH CONTAINED A DEAD VC.

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THE REMAINDER OF THE MRF SPENT SATURDAY IN A READY REACTION POSTURE PREPARING FOR FUTURE OPERATIONS.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 06-23

THIRTY-TWO BUNKERS WERE DESTROYED AND TEN DETAINEES TAKEN
 IN A THREE HOUR SWEEP ALONG THE NICHOLAI CANAL BY 3/47 AND
 3/60 INFANTRY BATTALIONS SUNDAY MORNING.

BOATS OF RIVER DIVISIONS 111 AND 92 WITH THE TWO BATTALIONS
 EMBARKED DEPARTED THE MRB SHORTLY AFTER 0500 TO PROCEED TO THE
 CENTRAL DELTA VIA THE NICHOLAI CANAL, SONG MANG THIT, SONG CO
 CHIEN, AND SONG TIEN GIANG. AT 0735 THE TROOPS WERE BEACHED
 TO SWEEP NORTHEAST ALONG THE NICHOLAI AND WERE BACKLOADED
 ABOUT 1030 TO CONTINUE THE TRANSIT. THE BOAT DIVISIONS AND

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EMBARKED TROOPS ESTABLISHED NIGHT POSITIONS ABOUT 1600 NEAR
 THE INTERSECTION OF THE SONG TIEN GIANG AND SONG HAM LUONG.

AT 0800 ALL OTHER BOATS OF THE FLOTILLA NOT INVOLVED WITH
 ESCORT DUTY BEGAN THE 110 MILE TRANSIT TO DONG TAM AND AT 1200
 THE SHIPS OF THE MRB WITH ASPB ESCORTS WERE UNDERWAY ON THE
 FIRST SEGMENT OF THE TWO DAY TRIP. TASK FORCE SIX GUN, ESCORTED
 BY RIVER DIVISION 112 BOATS, FOLLOWED ALONG A FEW MINUTES LATER.

USS BENEWAH PLAYED A PSY OPS TAPE EXPLAINING OUR PRESENCE
 IN THE AREA FOR THE BENEFIT OF LISTENERS ASHORE AS THE SHIPS
 WERE PASSING THROUGH THE VAN NAO CROSSOVER. THE SHIPS
 ANCHORED FOR THE EVENING AT 1900 AFTER REACHING THE SONG
 TIEN GIANG.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 06-24

TASK GROUP ALPHA COMPLETED THE SECOND LEG OF THE TRANSIT FROM CAN THO TO DONG TAM MONDAY, ANCHORING SHORTLY BEFORE 1400. DURING THE TRANSIT, 3/63 INFANTRY BATTALION, BEACHED FOR A SHORT TIME ON THE SOUTH BANK OF THE SONG MY THO ABOUT FIVE MILES WEST OF DONG TAM TO TAKE GUNNERY PRACTICE AND SIGHT THEIR WEAPONS.

BOATS OF RIVER ASSAULT SQUADRON 13 AND TROOPS OF DELTA COMPANY, 6/31 INFANTRY BATTALION, CONDUCTED AN ASSAULT AND FIREPOWER DEMONSTRATION MONDAY AFTERNOON FOR SENIOR OFFICERS OF HEADQUARTERS, II FIELD FORCE.

MR. GEORGE POLKA, MANAGER OF A RADIO STATION IN TUCSON, ARIZONA,

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AND MR. MICHAEL KNEIFL OF THE DET CHARLIE OFFICE, SAIGON, ARRIVED ABOARD BENEMAH MONDAY TO BEGIN A THREE OR FOUR DAY VISIT WITH TASK GROUP ALPHA. EACH OF THE CORRESPONDENTS ARE DOING COMBAT ACTION INTERVIEWS WITH BOAT CREWMEN WHILE PREPARING RADIO DOCUMENTARIES ABOUT THE NAVY IN VIETNAM.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 26-25

ARMY AND NAVY ELEMENTS OF TASK GROUP ALPHA CONTINUED IN A READY REACTION STATUS TUESDAY AS THE MHD REMAINED ANCHORED IN DONG TAM. USS PITKIN COUNTY CONTINUED THE WEEKLY RESUPPLY OF LOG FORCE AND AN AMMI PONTON FROM EACH SHIP WAS MOVED INTO THE DONG TAM BASIN IN PREPARATION FOR THE FORTHCOMING OPERATIONS. AT 0830 TUESDAY MORNING, A MAN WHO WAS DUMPING TRASH FROM USS COLLETON FELL OVERBOARD AND WAS RESCUED IN LESS THAN TWO MINUTES DUE TO QUICK REACTION BY THE BOATS ALONGSIDE THE SHIP. THIS INCIDENT POINTS OUT ONCE AGAIN THE DANGERS OF CARELESSNESS. ALL HANDS ARE URGED TO STAY ALERT TO DANGER AS THEY PERFORM THEIR

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DAILY TASKS.

THE TASK GROUP BRAVO STAFF TRANSFERRED FROM USS INDRA TO USS WINDHAM COUNTY TODAY. HAS 12 IS SCHEDULED TO MOVE ABOARD ON WEDNESDAY.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 06-26

WEDNESDAY WAS ANOTHER DAY OF MOVING FOR THE MOBILE RIVERINE
FORCE AS TASK GROUP ALPHA TRANSFERRED FROM DONG TAN TO THE
CONFLUENCE OF THE VAM CO AND SOI RAP RIVERS. ALL OF THE ASSAULT
BOATS TRANSITED TO THE NEW ANCHORAGE BY WAY OF THE CHO GAO
CANAL.

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 DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 06-27

BOTH ARMY AND NAVY UNITS REPORTED A DAY OF NO CONTACT THURSDAY AS THE MRF CONDUCTED A WIDELY DISPERSED RECONNAISSANCE-IN-FORCE MISSION IN THE THANH DUC DISTRICT, EAST OF CAN GIOUC IN LONG AN PROVINCE. TODAY MARKED THE FIRST TIME THAT THE ASSAULT BOATS OF TASK GROUPS ALFA AND BRAVO HAVE WORKED TOGETHER IN AN OPERATION.

RIVER DIVISION 92 ASSAULT CRAFT WITH TROOPS OF BRAVO COMPANY, 3/68 INFANTRY BATTALION, EMBARKED WERE THE FIRST UNITS UNDERWAY AT 0430. AT 0510 ALFA AND CHARLIE COMPANY OF 3/68 AND ALL OF 3/47 INFANTRY BATTALION DEPARTED THE MRF ABOARD RIVRON NINE AND RIVRON ELEVEN BOATS RESPECTIVELY.

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MEANWHILE RIVRON THIRTEEN ASSAULT CRAFT AND FOUR PBR'S OF CTG 116.4 HAD DEPARTED NHA BE AT 0530 TO ESTABLISH WATERBORNE SECURITY STATIONS ON THE SONG RACH CAT. THESE BOATS PROCEEDED VIA THE SONG NHA BE AND WERE ON STATION AT 0839.

ALL TROOPS WERE LANDED UNOPPOSED BETWEEN 0720 AND 0740. THE ASSAULT BOATS REMAINED IN THE VICINITY OF THE ASHORE OPERATIONS THROUGHOUT THE DAY, PROVIDING SUPPORT AND CONDUCTING EAGLE FLOAT OPERATIONS ON THE VARIOUS WATERWAYS IN THE AREA.

LATER IN THE MORNING AT 1023, ECHO COMPANY, 3/68, WAS AIR LIFTED FROM FIRE SUPPORT BASE WAGON WHEEL TO A LANDING ZONE IN THE NORTHEASTERN PART OF THE OPERATIONAL AREA AND SWEEP TO THE SOUTH WEST.

ALL BOATS AND TROOPS REMAINED IN THE FIELD OVERNIGHT. CUMULATIVE RESULTS ACHIEVED BY THE END OF THE DAY WERE TWO VC KIA, 24 BUNKERS DESTROYED, THREE WEAPONS CAPTURED, AND FIVE DETAINEES TAKEN.

JSS WINDHAM COUNTY WITH CTG 117.2 EMBARKED TRANSITED FROM NHA BE TO THE MRE ANCHORAGE ARRIVING AT 0930.
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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 06-29

JUNE 29 WAS ANOTHER QUIET DAY FOR THE MOBILE RIVERINE FORCE. EARLY SATURDAY MORNING, 3/68 AND 3/47 INFANTRY BATTALIONS, WHICH HAD SPENT THE NIGHT IN THE FIELD IN THE "MOUSE EARS" AREA OF LONG AN PROVINCE, BACKLOADED ABOARD RIVDIV 92 AND 111 BOATS FOR RETURN TO THE MRB. ALL UNITS ARRIVED AT THE ANCHORAGE SHORTLY BEFORE NOON. THE AFTERNOON WAS SPENT REPLENISHING THE FOOD, FUEL, AND AMMUNITION IN THE BOATS IN PREPARATION FOR SUNDAY'S OPERATION.

MR. TERRY WOLKERSTORFER, VIETNAM CORRESPONDENT FOR THE RIDDER NEWSPAPER CHAIN, VISITED THE MRF 28-29 JUNE. SOME OF THE PAPERS IN THE RIDDER CHAIN ARE THE LONG BEACH INDEPENDENT AND PRESS-TELEGRAM,

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ST. PAUL PIONEER PRESS & DISPATCH, NEW YORK JOURNAL OF COMMERCE AND THE SAN JOSE MERCURY AND NEWS.

AT APPROXIMATELY 1930 SATURDAY EVENING, LT. LEN PREVITO, THE FLOTILLA STAFF COMMUNICATOR, WAS BECKONED TO THE COMMODORE'S CABIN AND TRADED HIS TARNISHED LIEUTENANT'S EARS FOR SHINY NEW LIEUTENANT COMMANDER'S ENSIGNIA.

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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 26-30

TWO INFANTRYMEN OF 3/47 INF BN WERE KILLED AND TWO WERE WOUNDED BY A VC BOOBY TRAP IN THE ONLY HOSTILE ACTION OF THE DAY, SUNDAY. THERE WAS NO CONTACT WITH ENEMY FORCES.

FOUR OTHER SOLDIERS OF 3/34 ARTILLERY BN WERE WOUNDED WHEN THEY ACCIDENTALLY ENTERED AN ARVN MINE FIELD AND A MINE EXPLODED.

SUNDAY'S OPERATION WAS IN THE BEN LUC AND THU THUA DISTRICTS OF LONG AN PROVINCE ABOUT 14 MILES SOUTHWEST OF SAIGON.

THE TWO INFANTRY BATTALIONS DEPARTED THE MRB ABOUT 0430 IN RIVDIU 92 AND 111 BOATS FOR THE LONG TRIP UP THE SONG VAM CO DONG TO THE OPERATIONS AREA WHICH IS KNOWN AS "THE EAGLE'S BEAK."

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3/47 INF BN AND ALFA COMPANY OF 3/60 WERE LANDED BETWEEN 1030 AND 1050 AFTER WHICH THE BOATS REMAINED IN THE AREA TO PROVIDE CLOSE SUPPORT. BRAVO AND CHARLIE COMPANIES OF 3/60 WERE BEACHED AT A PICK-UP ZONE ALONG THE SONG VAM CO DONG FOR AIRLIFT INTO THE CENTER OF THE AO. BRAVO COMPANY WAS AIRMOBILED INTO THE AO WITHOUT INCIDENT, LANDING AT 1115. CHARLIE COMPANY WAS COMMITTED TO THE OPERATION AT 1145 BUT THEIR AIRLIFT WAS DELAYED TO EARLY AFTERNOON WHEN ONE OF THE AIRLIFT HELICOPTERS WAS SHOT DOWN. THERE WERE NO CASUALTIES AND THE DAMAGED HELO WAS REMOVED FROM THE AREA BY A CHINOOK.

TASK GROUP BRAVO RELOCATED FROM THE MRB ANCHORAGE TO NHA BE ON SATURDAY TO BEGIN AN OPERATION MONDAY WITH ELEMENTS OF THE 199TH LIGHT INFANTRY BRIGADE.

LT. GEN. J. P. LAMPERT, USA, DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE (M&RA), MAJ. GEN. W.W. BERG, DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL POLICY, OASD (M&RA), AND PARTY VISITED THE MRB TODAY, WERE BRIEFED ON FORCE OPERATIONS TO DATE, AND TALKED AT RANDOM WITH ENLISTED PERSONNEL REGARDING PERSONAL AFFAIRS, TOUR LENGTH AND PROMOTIONS.

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