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DAILY INTERNAL INFORMATION SUMMARY NO. 02-08

SEVENTEEN MORE VC BODIES WERE FOUND WEDNESDAY AS 3/60 AND 3/47 INFANTRY BATTALIONS REPORTED NO CONTACT WHILE SWEEPING THROUGH THE AREA OF THESDAY'S HEAVY FIGHTING SOUTH OF VINH LONG.

THE 17 ADDITIONAL BODIES RAISED THE NUMBER OF ENEMY KILLED DURING THE TWO-DAY OPERATION TO 80. FOUR AMERICANS WERE KILLED IN THE FIERCE FIGHTING TUESDAY AND 69 OTHERS WERE WOUNDED. A NAVYMAN ASSIGNED TO ASPB-92-2 REMAINS ON THE MISSING LIST.

ALL RIVER ASSAULT BOATS AND ARMY ELEMENTS RETURNED TO THE MRB BY 1700 WEDNESDAY, LEAVING TWO BASE SECURITY PLATOONS AS THE ONLY ELEMENTS IN THE FIELD.

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WEDNESDAY'S ACTION EXTENDED THE MRF'S RECORD OF CONSECUTIVE OPERATING DAYS TO TEN, THE LONGEST IN THE FORCE'S HISTORY.

LIEUTENANT COMMANDER FRANK "DUSTY" RHODES, COMMANDER OF RIVER ASSAULT SQUADRON ELEVEN FOR THE PAST YEAR, LEFT THE MRF WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON AFTER CHANGE OF COMMAND CEREMONIES ON THUESDAY. LCDR RHODES, WHO WAS AWARDED THE NATION'S SECOND HIGHEST AWARD FOR VALOR --THE NAVY CROSS--FOR HIS HEROIC ACTIONS WHILE SERVING AS COMMANDER OF RAS 11, NOW REPORTS TO THE NAVAL LASHORE OPERATIONS TRAINING CENTER AT MARE ISLAND.

HE HAS BEEN RELIEVED BY COMMANDER ROBERT SULLIVAN, THE FLCTTILA'S LOGISTICS OFFICER FOR THE PAST SIX MONTHS. HIS PENNANT WAS BROKEN ON APL-26 AT 1345 TUESDAY.

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