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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 09-27

ELEVEN NAVYMEN WERE WOUNDED, SIX SERIOUSLY, FRIDAY NIGHT DURING A VICIOUS AMBUSH OF THREE TF 117 ASSAULT BOATS ON THE ONG VIEN CANAL, FIVE KILOMETERS EAST OF CAN GIOUC IN LONG AN PROVINCE.

THE BOATS WERE ENGAGED IN TASK GROUP BRAVO STARLIGHT OPERATIONS WHEN THEY WERE HIT WITH AUTOMATIC WEAPONS AND ROCKETS AT ABOUT 2030. THE BOATS HAD JUST LANDED A PLATOON OF 4/39 INFANTRY AND WERE PROCEEDING TO NIGHT POSITIONS WHEN THEY WERE ATTACKED.

AMONG THOSE SUSTAINING MINOR WOUNDS IN THE ATTACK WERE CAPT. J. G. NOW, COMMANDER OF TASK GROUP BRAVO, AND LT. C. T. VAUGHT, COMMANDER OF RIVER ASSAULT DIVISION 131. THE BOATS INVOLVED IN THE AMBUSH, ASPB 92-4, MONITOR 151-1 AND ATC 151-11, RETURNED FIRE

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WITH ALL WEAPONS AND QUICKLY SILENCED THE ENEMY GUNS. AFTER MOVING OUT OF THE AREA, ALL SIX OF THE SERIOUSLY WOUNDED WERE MEDEVACED TO A NEARBY HOSPITAL BY AN ARMY DUSTOFF HELICOPTER.

THE BOATS PLACED H & I FIRE ON THE AMBUSH POSITIONS FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE NIGHT. THE NEXT MORNING ARMY TROOPS WERE LANDED IN THE AREA, BUT THE ONLY RESULT OF A SWEEP WAS THE DISCOVERY OF ONE B-40 ROCKET ROUND.

CAPT. THOMAS F. BOOKER ASSUMED COMMAND OF TASK GROUP ALFA SATURDAY, RELIEVING CAPT. RAYMOND W. ALLEN WHO NOW GOES TO NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND, TO BECOME THE COMMANDER OF DESTROYER SQUADRON 20.

MRB ALFA SHIFTED FROM MY THO TO DONG TAM SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

VISITING THE MRF IS A THREE-MEMBER NBC TELEVISION TEAM WHICH PLANS TO COVER THE NEXT RIVER ASSAULT OPERATION AND A CORRESPONDENT FROM THE BALTIMORE SUN WHO WILL OBSERVE TOMORROW'S BEACH ASSAULT FROM THE C AND C HELICOPTER.
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