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DAILY ITTERBAL INFORMATION SUMMARY NC. 23-14

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

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

IT WAS LEARNED WEDNESDAY THAT COMMANDER PIVER 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 O: MONDAY. CUA VIET IS LOCATED ON THE COAST ABOUT SIX MILES
SOUTH OF THE DEMILITARIZED ZONE, WHILE DONG HA IS THE SITE OF AN
IMPOPTANT U.S. SUPPLY BASE ABOUT IC 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 APTILLERY, MORTAFS, 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 46MM H

AND I FIRE IN A SPECIFIED STRIKE ZONE.

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