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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 10-20

TASK GROUP BRAVO REMAINED IN A READY REACTION STATUS AT BINH THUY, AND RIVERINE GROUP ALFA HAD LITTLE CONTACT WHILE CONTINUING OPERATIONS IN KIEN HOA PROVINCE.

SEVEN VIETNAMESE AND TWO POSSIBLE HOI CHANHS WERE DETAINED BY 3/60 INFANTRY ELEMENTS OPERATING SOUTH OF BEN TRE, WHILE TWO U.S. PERSONNEL WERE WOUNDED--ONE BY A BOOBY TRAP AND ONE BY SMALL ARMS FIRE.

FINAL RESULTS OF SATURDAY'S ENCIRCLE AND SWEEP OPERATION BY ARVN TROOPS ON CU LAO MAY ISLAND SOUTHEAST OF CAN THO WERE THREE VC KIA, ONE VC CAPTURED, 10 DETAINEES TAKEN AND THREE WEAPONS CAPTURED. TASK GROUP BRAVO BOATS, CONDUCTING A WATER BLOCKADE AROUND THE ISLAND WITH PBRs, SEARCHED A TOTAL OF 77 SAMPANS AND

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DETAINED ONE VIETNAMESE.

GROUND ELEMENTS WORKING WITH RIV DIV 151 BOATS IN EASTERN LONG AN PROVINCE KILLED TWO VC, CAPTURED TWO OTHERS AND APPREHENDED NINE DETAINEES ON FRIDAY AND SATURDAY.

ON FRIDAY, TROOPS OF 3/39 INFANTRY KILLED TWO AND CAPTURED TWO VC 14 KILOMETERS SOUTHWEST OF CAN GIOUC. ON SATURDAY, THE 151 CRAFT SUPPORTED 764TH RF/PF TROOPS, A PROVINCIAL RECONNAISSANCE UNIT (PRU), AND 3/39 INFANTRY ELEMENTS 10 KILOMETERS SOUTH OF CAN GIOUC. RESULTS OF THE OPERATION WERE TWO VC KILLED AND SEVEN DETAINED, INCLUDING THREE POSSIBLE VC POW'S.

MOBILE RIVERINE GROUP BRAVO WAS VISITED SUNDAY BY BRIGADIER GENERAL NGUYEN VINH NGHI, COMMANDING GENERAL OF THE 21ST ARVN DIVISION, AND MEMBERS OF HIS STAFF. THE GENERAL WAS BRIEFED BY COMMODORE NOW AND WAS GIVEN A TOUR OF MERCER AND THE ASSAULT BOATS.

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