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FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 12-23.

MOBILE RIVERINE GROUP ALPHA ELEMENTS ACHIEVED KODEPATE TO
HEAVY CONTACT WEDNESDAY WITH AN ESTIMATED REINFORCED PLATOON,
12 KILOMETERS SOUTHEAST OF BEN TRE IN THE GIONG TRON
DISTRICT.

WITH BOTH ARMY AND VIETNAMESE MARINE ELEMENTS STILL IN
CONTACT AFTER DARKNESS, NINE VIET CONG HAD BEEN KILLED AND ONE
AK-47 HAD BEEN CAPTURED. TOTAL ALLIED CASUALTIES AS OF 1930
WERE ONE KILLED AND SEVEN WOUNDED.

THE FIGHTING BROKE OUT AT 1020 WHEN HELICOPTERS CARRYING ALPHA
COMPANY, 3/68 INFANTRY HIT A HOT LANDING ZONE. ONE INFANTRYMAN WAS
KILLED AND A HELICOPTER PILOT WAS INJURED IN THIS FIRST ATTACK
AS THE SLICKS MOVED IN TO LAND THE TROOPS IN THE AREA. HELICOPTERS
CONTINUED TO DRAW HOSTILE FIRE FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE DAY, AND
THREE HUEYS AND ONE LOH WERE SHOT DOWN. U.S. GROUND ELEMENTS

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WERE THE TARGET OF TWO ENEMY MORTAR ATTACKS DURING THE AFTERNOON AND THE TROOPS WERE FREQUENTLY PINNED DOWN BY VC AUTOMATIC WEAPONS AND ROCKET FIRE.

AS THE FIGHTING INTENSIFIED, DELTA COMPANY OF 3/47 INFANTRY WAS AIRMOBILED INTO A LANDING ZONE SOUTH OF THE ENEMY POSITIONS. AT THE SAME TIME TWO COMPANIES OF VIETNAMESE MARINES JOINED THE BATTLE AFTER A TRANSIT DOWN THE BEN TRE RIVER ABOARD BOATS OF RIVER DIVISION 91.

THE MARINES WERE BEACHED ONE KILOMETER NORTH OF THE FIGHTING AND ACHIEVED ALMOST IMMEDIATE CONTACT AS THEY SWEEPED SOUTH. THE TRANSIT DOWN THE RACH BEN TRE WAS MARKED BY ONE BRIEF AMBUSH WITH ROCKETS AND AUTOMATIC WEAPONS IN WHICH ONE NAVYMAN WAS SLIGHTLY WOUNDED.

TASK GROUP BRAVO ELEMENTS SUPPORTING VIETNAMESE MARINES AND ARVNS IN THE CAN THO AREA ALSO HAD THEIR SHARE OF ACTION WEDNESDAY. BOATS OF RIV DIV 152 WERE BEACHING THE TROOPS ON THE CAI CON CANAL ABOUT 20 KILOMETERS SOUTHEAST OF CAN THO WHEN A LONG GRENADE WAS SUDDENLY HURLED FROM THE EAST BANK OF THE WATERWAY.

IT LANDED ON ATC 152-11, WOUNDING SLIGHTLY TWO CREWMEN AND BLOWING A 10-INCH HOLE IN THE DECK ADJACENT TO THE COXSWAIN'S FLAT

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THE BOATS RESPONDED WITH 20MM AND SMALL ARMS FIRE WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS.

BY MID-AFTERNOON, THE MARINES HAD CAPTURED 10 VIET CONG AND THE BOATS HAD INSPECTED 12 SAMPANS.

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