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DAILY INTERNAL INFO SUMMARY 03-25

SECOND BRIGADE TROOPS KILLED SEVEN VIET CONG SUNDAY WHILE SWEEPING THROUGH THE AREA OF SATURDAY NIGHT'S FIERCE FIGHTING ALONG THE TONG DOC LOC CANAL.

FOUR OF THE VC WERE KILLED BY INFANTRYMEN AND THE OTHER THREE WERE CREDITED TO GUNSHIPS OF 3/5 AIR CAVALRY. NINE U.S. SOLDIERS WERE KILLED AND 28 WERE WOUNDED SATURDAY NIGHT IN THE PITCHED BATTLE WITH ELEMENTS OF A VC BATTALION. ALL OF THE CASUALTIES WERE SUSTAINED BY ALPHA AND BRAVO COMPANIES OF 4/47 INFANTRY, WHICH WERE THE FIRST U.S. FORCES AIRLIFTED INTO THE AREA SATURDAY AFTERNOON TO REINFORCE AN ARVN BATTALION IN HEAVY CONTACT.

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THE AREA OF THE FIGHTING CANNOT BE REACHED BY THE RIVER ASSAULT CRAFT, AND THE ONLY BOATS INVOLVED IN THE OPERATION ARE SIX UNITS PROVIDING COMMUNICATIONS RELAY AT THE LONG DINH BRIDGE ON THE XANG CANAL.

BOATS OF RIVER SQUADRON 13 HAD A BUSY BUT UNEVENTFUL DAY SATURDAY CONDUCTING MULTIPLE INSERTIONS OF 3/39 AND 4/39 INFANTRY BATTALIONS IN EASTERN LONG AN PROVINCE 10 MILES SOUTH OF SAIGON.

THE ONLY SIGNIFICANT EVENT OF THE DAY WAS THE DISCOVERY BY BRAVO COMPANY 4/39 INFANTRY OF A SMALL CACHE OF AMMUNITION, INCLUDING 23 B-40 ROUNDS. ONE INFANTRYMAN WAS WOUNDED BY SNIPER FIRE DURING THE AFTERNOON.

BOTH TASK GROUPS WERE VISITED SUNDAY BY ADMIRAL JOHN J. HYLAND, COMMANDER IN CHIEF, U.S. PACIFIC FLEET. IN ADDITION TO BRIEFINGS AND VISITS TO THE ASSAULT CRAFT, THE ADMIRAL PRESENTED SEVEN AWARDS IN AN AFTERNOON CEREMONY ON THE BENEWAH. LT. JOHN COLLINS, CHIEF STAFF OFFICER, RIVER ASSAULT DIVISION 92, WAS PRESENTED A SILVER STAR FOR HIS HEROIC ACTIONS ON THE BA LAI RIVER ON APRIL 4; AND CAPTAIN RAYMOND W. ALLEN WAS AWARDED A LEGION OF MERIT FOR EXCEPTIONALLY MERITORIOUS SERVICE AS CHIEF OF STAFF, RIVER ASSAULT FLOTILLA ONE AND COMMANDER, TASK GROUP ALFA.

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RECEIVING BRONZE STARS FOR HEROISM WERE LT. GEORGE A. KITCHEN,
FORMER COMMANDER RIVER DIVISION 92 AND NOW ASSIGNED TO THE RIVFLOT
ONE STAFF; ENS NORMAN W. MORENO, ENS THOMAS J. ETHERIDGE, AND
SN CHRISTOPHER R. KNABE, ALL OF RIV DIV 92; AND
SN ANDREW J. TWIST OF RIVER DIVISION 91.

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