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CONTINUED CHRONOLOGY
1 April to 1st April 1969

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ORGANIZATIONAL DATADESIGNATIONCOMMANDER

BLT 3/26

LtCol E. W. SHILLING
(1-30 Apr 69)SUBORDINATE UNITS

BSE Company

1stLt W.P. PRIESE
(1-30 Apr 69)

Company I

Capt R. FURLEIGH
(1-30 Apr 69)

Company K

Capt R. D. BARBA
(1-30 Apr 69)

Company L

1stLt D.G. KEBLER
(1-23 Apr 69)
Capt J. TORCIETA
(24-30 Apr 69)

Company H

1stLt D. E. CRAWFORD
(1-30 Apr 69)ATTACHED UNITS

1st Plt Co A, 5th SF Bn

Company Sgt G. J. WISEMAN
(1-30 Apr 69)

2nd Plt Co A, 5th SF Bn

1stLt P. W. ESPIN
(1-30 Apr 69)

3rd Plt Co A, 5th Recon Bn

1stLt W. G. DEATHERAGE
(1-30 Apr 69)

3rd Plt Co A, 5th Tank Bn

1stLt R. G. HUGHES
(1-30 Apr 69)

3rd Plt Co A, 5th Avn Bn

1stLt P. E. HENBAR
(1-30 Apr 69)

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3rd Plt Co A, 5th Engineer

2nd Lt J. J. KIRBY
(1-30 Apr 69)

"C" Btry 1/13

Capt H. B. POPP
(1-30 Apr 69)

" " Btry 1/13

1stLt M. C. BUNTON
(1-30 Apr 69)

MSG

1stLt W. E. WOODMAN
(1-30 Apr 69)

CAC Plt

Lt D. S. SMITH
(1-30 Apr 69)

AT's

1stLt G. F. HENES III
(1-30 Apr 69)

DET, HQBN, 5th Mar Div

(1-30 Apr 69)

DET, HQ Co, 26th Marines

(1-30 Apr 69)

DET, Scout Sniper Teams

(7th Marines)
(1-30 Apr 69)

DET, ANVN Interpreters

(7th Marines)
(1-30 Apr 69)

DET, WDS

(7th Marines)
(1-30 Apr 69)

"K" Co 3rd Bn, 7th Mar

Capt R. PAGAN
(8-25 Apr 69)2. LOCATION

1-30 Apr 69: Charlie Ridge / Happy Valley, Quang Nam Province.

3. STAFF OFFICERS

EXO

Maj W. T. HADY
(1-30 Apr 69)

S-1 (ADJUTANT)

1stLt D. D. VISNICK
(1-17 Apr 69)
1stLt G. I. BURFORD
(18-30 Apr 69)

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Personnel Officer

1stLt G. I. BURFORD
(1-28 Apr 69)
1stLt R. W. MOE
(29-30 Apr 69)

S-2

1stLt B. M. EVERETT
(1-30 Apr 69)

S-3

1stLt L. B. McHENRY
(1-30 Apr 69)

S-3A

Capt G. B. MILLMAN
(1-30 Apr 69)

S-3B

1stLt G. S. S. TINDS
(1-30 Apr 69)

S-4

Capt J. TURRIEN
(1-23 Apr 69)
Capt H. GATES
(24-30 Apr 69)

Comm O

1stLt W. A. MOSSOR
(1-30 Apr 69)

Sup O

1stLt M. D. HILTON
(1-30 Apr 69)

Med O

Lt J. MARTINEZ
(1-30 Apr 69)
Lt D. A. BALLING
(1-30 Apr 69)

Chaplain

Lt J. E. GOLIE
(1-30 Apr 69)

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC

USN

OFT
63

ENL
784

OFT
9

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PART III
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

A. GENERAL (S) Throughout the month of April, 1968, 3/26 (-) (Heck) engaged in Operation "Crisis Hills" in the Charlie Ridge / Happy Valley area. The mission of the BLT was initially to locate and block possible routes of egress available to the enemy and prevent his escape to the west as well as from the 7th Marines and 31st AVNAs closed in from the east and south upon the suspected NVA base camps in the area. Upon capture of an NVA S/Sgt by a recon unit who gave pie-point information regarding the 31st NVA Regimental Headquarters, the BLT's mission was changed to that of finding and destroying this headquarters complex and leaving these companies in the assault and leaving one company back for fire base security. As the three assault companies, Delta, Echo and Lima, began recovering weapons and document caches, the enemy's intention became clearly that of harassment and delaying actions. A second POW captured by the 7th Marines near the end of the month confirmed that the 31st NVA Regiment had been given orders to break up into squad sized units, disperse, avoid contact and to re-assemble in the base camp area as soon as the Marine units were seen leaving the area.

The BLT accounted for 360 NVA/VC KIA during this month. In addition, destroyed destroyed the extensive regimental and battalion hospitals and bunker complexes. Large caches were uncovered with cross-armed weapons, rocket launchers and numerous classified documents which have yet to be fully evaluated.

B. ADMINISTRATION (C) During the period 1-31 April, administrative elements of the BLT were located at Camp Blair, Hill 35; this included C Co 1/13 rear, D Co 1/13 rear, Battalion S-1, Battalion S-2 and S-3 rear, Battalion S-4, BAS administration, Company offices, Accounting, Supply and ISG.

Number of USMC officers joined	(9)
Number of USMC enlisted joined	(271)
Number of USMC officers transferred	(12)
Number of USMC enlisted transferred	(173)
Number of USN officers joined	(2)
Number of USN enlisted joined	(5)
Number of USN officers transferred	(1)
Number of USN enlisted transferred	(1)

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15 May 1969C. INTELLIGENCE (S)

1. Enemy Situation Enemy forces in the BLF 3/26 "Oklahoma Hills" A.O. were estimated at 700 NVA of the 141st Regiment and 520 of the 360B Artillery Regiment.

2. Enemy Mission The enemy mission in the A.O. was to defend the headquarters of the 141st Regiment at all costs and evade contact in the outlying areas. After sufficient time for the enemy to move some of his equipment and documents his mission was changed to evade the allied forces and just harass with sniper and harassing fire.

3. Weather The maximum temperature for this period was 90 degrees. The low was 70 degrees and the mean temperature was 80 degrees. The relative humidity was 75% and the precipitation totaled 2 inches.

4. Terrain The terrain in the operation area was one of double canopy, forests and heavy brush, extremely steep mountains broken with deep draws and intermedicate streams in each draw.

5. Avenues of Approach Unmarked trails running in all directions.

6. Totals From 1-30 April 1969

VC/NVA KIA	(140)
POW'S	(0)
DETAINEES	(0)
CHIEU HOI'S	(0)
IRU	(54)
OSAJ	(23)
EMIB	(1000 lbs)
S/A AMMO	(6000 rds)

D. CIVIL AFFAIRS/CIVIC ACTION (C) There was no civic action conducted on this operation.

E. PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS (C) Chieu Hoi broadcasts were conducted for a period of four days during the operation at FSB Rattlesnake. Results of broadcast proved negative.

F. FIRE SUPPORT (S) During this period, supporting arms were used extensively in all aspects of the operation. Special emphasis was given to day and night IRU fires. "W" Btry 1/13 and "C" Btry 1/13 provided direct support for the battalion. 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines, 1st 155 Gun Platoon, 1st 8 inch Platoon and 27MM Gun Platoon provided general support.

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1. Total rounds expended for April
- | | | |
|-------------|-------|--------|
| a. 105MM | | (5924) |
| b. 4.2" | | (3105) |
| c. 81MM | | (4781) |
| d. 155MM/8" | | (126) |
| e. 175MM | | (3) |

G. AIR SUPPORT: (S)

1. Air support was requested by the BLT FAC/AJO through 7th Marines.

2. During the period 1-30 Apr 69:
- 25 medevacs were called
 - 2030 troops were heli-lifted for tactical deployment
 - 43 FPQ's were run on enemy positions
 - 25 air strikes were run on enemy positions
 - 7 over-flights of the A.O. were utilized.

H. LOGISTICS: (C)

1. Logistical support was satisfactory. Transportation during this period was provided by helicopters operating from the LSA located at Camp Hair to field units operating in the Worth and Charlie Ridge area.

2. Maintenance support was provided by normal Marine Corps support facilities located at Delang. No unusual maintenance problems were encountered.

I. COMMUNICATION: (C)

1. General. During the period of 1 April through 30 April 1969 inclusive, the communication platoon furnished the necessary communications to support the battalion landing team in operation "Oklahoma Hills".

Although tree top antennas were employed to the extent possible, maximum communications in the mountainous jungle terrain was a continuous problem.

Frequency interference was experienced from time to time and appropriate reports submitted.

The number of stations operating on the air support net caused a problem. It was suggested some units switch to the secondary frequency. The 7th Marines communication-electronics officer said it was not feasible and refused the request.

2. Radio. All functional and tactical radio nets were guarded at the BLT C.P. The rear C.P. monitored the BLT TAC #1 net.

The four air radio team dispatched to RC BA MA on 28 March 1969 to establish a relay site for the BLT TAC and logistics support net maintained their site throughout the entire operation.

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3. Message Center. The 7th Marine Regiment maintained the communication and crypto guard, with courier delivery and pickup provided by BLT 3/26 message center.

Courier service between the BLT C.P. and the rear C.P. was established and usually occurred every two or three days, depending on helicopter availability.

4. Wire/Radio Relay. No radio relay was employed. Normal internal wire lines were established in the rear C.P. with two trunk lines to the 7th Marine Regiment and one hot line from 7th Marine COG to BLT 3/26 rear COG.

Missory Bay 1/13 installed a switchboard at FSB Rattlesnake for internal communications. In addition, sound power telephones (TA-1's) were installed as hot lines between out posts.

J. MEDICAL-DENTAL (C)

1. Personnel. The Battalion Aid Station had a total of 3 medical officers and 55 enlisted. In addition the medical section had 4 shore party corpsmen and 2 collecting and clearing corpsmen under direct supervision of the BAS. Also attached were 10 other hospital corpsmen from the various attachments.

2. Capabilities. The medical department was able to treat most medical and some minor surgical problems. The capabilities were limited due to the lack of running water and availability of diagnostic procedures. Daily runs to NSA and 1st Med Bn were made for patient consultation and also to check the disposition of 3/26 patients.

3. Training. In garrison, corpsmen received on the job training directly from the medical officer. Corpsmen in the field carried out their own lectures on buddy aid and first aid also field sanitation. Indoctrination lectures were given to all new troops.

4. Dental. Hill 55 had a dental facility which was limited to emergency use only to 3/26. Most extensive dental work was done at DaNang or FLD. When the ship was available, patients were also worked on by the BLT Dental Officer.

5. Malaria Prophylaxis was accomplished by daily dosages of doxycycline and weekly doses of chloroquin/primaquin to both troops in the field and garrison.

6. Sanitation was supervised by the BLT medical department at Hill 55. Shower facilities were available as were 2 four balcon and 4 urinals. Cleaning of these facilities was done daily with soap and water and disinfectants. Weekly the Preventive Medicine Unit checked out the area for insect breeding areas, etc.

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15 May 1969(7) Statistics, for the month of April as follows:

DIAGNOSIS	HAS	INDIA	KILO	LEMA	MIKE	TOTAL	LAST REPORT
Concussion	0	4	0	1	1	6	11
Stomach Problems	17	18	14	4	3	61	22
Lacerations	16	13	8	2	3	42	25
Diarrhea	5	0	2	1	0	8	16
Ear Problems	14	3	21	3	5	51	37
Eye Problems	13	2	5	3	0	23	23
Dental	10	5	12	2	6	35	60
Upper Resp Inf	18	2	2	2	3	27	16
Fever Unk Origin	4	2	4	0	0	10	4
Leg Problems	5	9	12	4	5	35	15
Foot Problems	16	9	7	5	3	50	69
Arm Problems	11	11	11	2	1	36	26
Infections	21	12	22	4	5	64	4
Immunizations	44	22	20	33	15	134	2143
Veneral Disease	4	0	3	4	5	16	24
Shrapnel	10	0	2	17	11	50	218
Malaria	1	1	1	1	0	4	5
Blisters	2	1	1	1	0	4	9
Heat Exhaustion	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Neuro-Psychiatric	1	1	4	2	1	11	13
Skin	38	10	12	16	12	88	N/A
Gun Shot Wounds	8	11	2	19	1	41	N/A
Other	19	40	33	29	12	133	N/A
Return Victims	88	51	84	30	72	325	118

K. Casualties (9)

1. MIA (18)
2. WIA (79)

L. Battalion Chaplain (8)

1. During the month of April, Chaplain BEVINS conducted 4 Catholic mass services. Protestant divine services were conducted by the battalion chaplain with 552 men attending services.

2. Two bible studies were conducted by the battalion chaplain with 19 men attending.

3. There were 170 counseling sessions provided by the chaplain for the men of BLF 1/26.

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SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

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08 April 69
1315H

Lima company moving towards BLT objective "A" came upon a large NVA base camp. After a fire fight with approximately 20 NVA, enemy broke contact and fled. There were more than 30 well built hootches which could have held 30 persons each. Also found 01 operating room, 250 empty bottles of penicillin and streptomycin (made in San Francisco by American Chemical Drug Company), 03 SKS rifles and documents. Results 01 USMC KIA, 01 USMC WIAE and 01 NVA KIA. Weapons and equipment found sent to S-2.

1400H

Lima company continuing to search base camp found fresh grave yard containing 35 NVA bodies. Bodies all had bullet holes and shrapnel wounds. Results 35 NVA KIA.

1730H

Lima continuing to search found a large mess hall and kitchen with under ground stove pipes. Also 05 rully packed canvas packs with documents, clothing and white cloth apparently used as bandages. Gear sent to S-2.

12 April 69
1630H

Kilo 3/7 recon patrol found bunker and hootch complex. Checked hootches and bunkers and found false bottom containing 030mm grenades, maps, compass, binoculars, mortar plotting board and firing table. Sent equipment to S-2.

1900H

Kilo 3/7 patrol continuing to search found additional 030mm, compass, 17 7.62 model 1944 carbines, 01 7.62MM sub-machinegun model 1944, 10 03 Springfield rifles, 05 French 36's, 01 BAR, 01 DaNang City map, 01 map of Hill #55, 01 map of Marble Mountain area, 05 ChiCom maps of unknown areas and 01 US map of Quang Bac. Also a 10" stack of documents including rosters, lists, supply accountability table, letters, diary and part of a mortar table. Also 01 hair cutting set, 50 new blue uniforms, 02 U.S. made field phones, 02 base sockets for 60MM mortar, 03 6" by 18" cases of artillery fire direction equipment, 01 night lighting device, and 20 graves. Results 20 NVA KIA; equipment sent to S-2.

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0900H

Kilo 3/7 continuing to search found 01 82MM round, 01 ChiCom galvanometer, 02 barrel wrenches for artillery piece or recoilless rifle, 04 122MM rockets, 01 BAR magazine, 01 SKS rifle, 01 document indicating 571st was there and had 05 arty pieces and a strength of 1397 men. All equipment and documents were sent to S-2.

1800H

Kilo 3/7 continuing to search area found 06 canteens, 05 AK-47 magazines, 02 ChiCom grenades, 04 metal bolts, 03 carburetors, 01 hammer, 40 electrical detonating devices, electrical wire, 05 battery boxes and cables, 02 122MM rockets, 01 field glasses, 01 socket wrench, 03 thermometers, 01 claymore, 01 AK-47 magazine, 02 light machinegun cylinders, 02 ponchos, 01 NVA helmet, 05 E-tools, 02 flash lights, 04 metal bowls, 02 bottles of oil, 02 knives, approximately 500 rounds AK-47 ammo, 02 time fuses with blasting caps, 1/2 lb of composition B, packs and various types of maps and documents, 30 sets of utilities, sewn on right side under collar of utilities was 5 VANG, F-13, F-89, F-18, F-103, F-69, F-49, I-30, hammocks and 3 82MM rounds, 02 French rifles and 01 AK-47 rifle. Weapons, documents and equipment turned over to S-2. This base camp proved to be 11st Regimental Co P.

15 April 69
1300H

Kilo 3/7 searched hootches and found 02 false bottoms in bunker. Found 02 12.7MM machineguns, 02 spare barrels and 01 tripod with box of ammo containing 05 rounds. Returned weapons to S-2.

16 April 69
1000H

Lima-2 received sniper fire from enemy base camp area. Moved forward and suppressed enemy with fire. Results 04 USMC WIAE and 05 NVA KIA.

1100H

Lima company patrol after making a map of enemy base camp complex counted a total of 89 hootches, including messhall and what was believed to be the 0-79 NVA hospital.

18 April 69
1700H

Lima-2 while searching hootch complex found medical documents indicating names, type of wounds treated, dates of admittance and discharge. Documents indicate a regimental size field hospital at this location. Returned documents to S-2.

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1230H

Kilo 3/7 while searching area found 01 82MM mortar tube, base plate and tripod with-out sight, 11 boxes of 7.62 ammo, 04 RPG rounds, 05 75MM recoilless rifle warheads, 53 82MM mortar rounds, 01 75MM recoilless round, 15 cans of 82MM fuses and increments, 05 complete uniforms, misc documents. Equipment sent to rear to be turned over to S-2.

23 April 69
1300H

Kilo 3/7 searching area found the following caches
01 82MM mortar base plate minus bipods, 01 50MM mortar minus base plate, 01 machinegun, 01 BAR, 01 light anti-aircraft machinegun, 01 K-44 sniper rifle with scope, 01 SKS, 03 SKS's incomplete, 29 RPG rounds, 03 B-60 rounds, 60 82MM mortar rounds, 09 60MM mortar rounds, 01 chemical detector kit, assorted comm gear with a ChiCom 292 set, 01 sets of binoculars, 02 82MM sights, ChiCom grenade factory with all the equipment, 500 assorted S/A ammo, 08 bundles of uniforms, hammocks and civilian clothes. All documents and captured material sent to S-2.

1515H

Kilo 3/7 while continuing search of NVA caches found 01 RPG machinegun, map case containing large hand drawn map with elaborate detail. Equipment and documents sent to S-2.

25 April 69
2230H

BLT 3/26 rear C.P. located at Hill 455 received 02 incoming rounds, one of which was a stapulated 250 pound bomb, the other a 60MM mortar. Results 1? WIA and 8 WIA.

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PART II
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. ✓ HLT 3/26 Operation Order 1-69 (Oklahoma Hills)

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3. EXECUTIONa. Company of Operations

(1) BLP 5/26 (-) (Main) with four rifle companies, one provisional platoon, one engineer platoon, "C" Day 1/13 and Whiskey Day 1/13 conducts a helicopterborne assault into LZ Robin (via CG 132655); establishes FSB Bronco and conducts reconnaissance in force operations in western Foggy Valley, to find, fix and destroy enemy forces, caches, installations and fortifications.

(2) BLP 5/26 (-) (Main) on D-Day occupies and begins preparation of FSB Bronco on Hill 749 (via CG 125651). Additional FSB's will be established on North and Charlie Ridges as necessary.

b. Co K (-) (Main)

(1) At L-Hour land in LZ Robin (see Annex G) and provide perimeter security for subsequent landing of BLP units.

(2) Conduct reconnaissance (via CG 132655) to determine best possible site for BLP CP, SMC and 4.2 mortar FSB to be occupied subsequent to the landing of all BLP units.

(3) Be prepared on order to conduct combat platoon size patrols in grids: 1365, 1264, and 1265.

(4) Be prepared on order to move to FSB Bronco (via CG 125651) providing security for movement of BLP CP, SMC and 4.2 mortar platoons during initial move.

(5) On order proceed from FSB Bronco (via CG 125651) to BLP Objective 3 and conduct search and destroy operations and maintain a company blocking position oriented toward the southeast.

c. Co H (-) (Main)

(1) Land in LZ Robin (see Annex G) subsequent to FSB Company and immediately proceed to FSB Bronco site (via CG 125651) and begin rapid preparation of the FSB in order to land "C" Day 1/13 at the earliest possible time.

(2) Be prepared to provide perimeter security for the FSB during preparation and subsequent to the completion.

(3) On or about H+2 be prepared to receive Whiskey Day 1/13 into the FSB LZ.

(4) On or about H+3 be prepared to receive the BLP CP, and SMC platoons.

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- (1) On D-Day land in LZ Robin (see Annex C) and seize BIF objective 1.
- (2) Establish a company combat operating base (COOB) and be prepared to conduct combat patrols and ambushes as directed by this headquarters.

e. Go I (-) (Main)

- (1) On D-Day land in LZ Robin (see Annex C) and seize BIF objective 2.
- (2) Establish a company combat operating base (COOB) and be prepared to conduct combat patrols and ambushes as directed by this headquarters.

f. Whiskey Btry 1/13

- (1) On D-Day land in LZ Robin (see Annex C) and be prepared to provide immediate on call fires for all BIF 3/26 units.
- (2) On order, on or about D+2 be prepared to displace by helicopter to FSB Bronco and continue the assigned mission.

g. Charlie Btry 1/13

- (1) On D-Day provide 1 platoon (see Annex A) to land with Mike Company in LZ Robin and begin immediate preparation of FSB Bronco.
- (2) Be prepared on or about D+2 to hoist the remainder of "C" Btry into FSB Bronco to continue assigned mission as direct support Btry of BIF 3/26.

h. 0111 Platoon

- (1) On D-Day land in accordance with Annex D and be prepared to carry out missions as directed by this headquarters.

i. 106 RR Platoon

- (1) On D-Day land in accordance with Annex D and be prepared to carry out missions as directed by this headquarters.

j. Yankee Platoon

- (1) On D-Day land in accordance with Annex D and be prepared to carry out missions as directed by this headquarters.

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3. General Instructions

- (1) D-Day: 31 Mar (tentative)
- (2) L-Day: 1100 D-Day
- (3) Estimated duration: 20-30 days
- (4) Companies submit FOS REP's every 2 hours.
- (5) Report all incidents by spot reports immediately.
- (6) Search for enemy forces, arms and equipment will be thorough.
- (7) Submit patrol plans at 1700 for period 1800-0600 and at 2100 for period 0600-1000.
- (8) Emphasize rapid, accurate reporting with detailed reports to follow up.
- (9) Every radio intercept capabilities dictate strict communication security. Utilization of thrust points is directed and all grid coordinates necessary to transmit will be checked.
- (10) LZ Robin coordinates: (EG 133655)
LZ Dove (alt) coordinates: (EG 109667)

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICSa. Logistics(1) Supply / General

Reference (c) states that Commanding Officer, 7th Marines is responsible for the logistical support, execution of supply, evacuation and hospitalization transportation, maintenance, and service of all units participating in Operation "Oklahoma Hills".

(2) Supply Source

The LBA on Hill 55 is tasked to provide support in accordance with ref (c).

b. Control and Distribution

(1) All resupply requests will be forwarded to -4 representative located at the forward battalion command post via the HBT communication net.

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(2) Routine resupply requests will be submitted via the IIST communication not prior to 0900 the day before delivery is expected.

(3) Priority resupply requests will be scheduled and dispatched as required.

(4) Class IV As required.

(5) Class V

At plus 1 day. "C" Battery and "I" Battery will both maintain their Base Support Base level at 2,000 rounds per battery.

c. Prescribed Loads

As prescribed by company and battery commanders.

d. Supply Instructions

Formal property accounting will prevail.

e. Destruction of Equipment

Weapons and equipment will not be deliberately destroyed unless all efforts to evacuate them fail and capture is imminent.

f. Transportation

(1) Submit motor transport requirements to S-4 as required.

(2) When at Hill 55 or at the battalion tactical command post, submit requests for non tactical helicopter support to the S-4 representative after obtaining a boarding pass from the S-1.

(3) When operating with Indio, Kilo, Lima or Mike companies, request for non tactical helicopter support will be forwarded via the IIST communication not to the S-4 representative.

(4) The S-4 representative at the battalion command post and Hill 55 BJA will each maintain a log of all personnel requesting helicopter transportation.

(5) Units report helicopter landing zones to the S-4 representative as established.

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g. Maintenance Service

(1) Units are responsible for first and second echelon maintenance.

(2) Weapons and equipment maintenance will be retrograded to the battalion supply point located at TLI 55. Maintenance support for major and items such as 105's, mortars, or 106's will be reported to the S-4 immediately as a decision must be made to retrograde the weapon or send a contact repair team out to the weapon.

h. Miscellaneous Information

(1) Working Parties Each company will maintain a two man working party which will work under the supervision of the S-4 representative at the ISA. The responsibility will include staging equipment for their companies on the landing pad and cleaning retrograded equipment. The working party will be located at the ISA.

Command Communications and Electronics

a. WEF 3/26 OP will be initially located in the (via ZC 135665)

b. See Annex II.

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E. W. SHELLING
Lieutenant Colonel, USMC
Commanding

ANNEXES

- A. Task Organization
- B. Intelligence
- C. Operation Overlay
- D. Landing Plan
- E. Fire Support Coordination
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Annex B (Intelligence) to Operation Order 1-69

Ref (a) Maps: VIETNAM; 1:50,000 AMS Series 17014 Sheet 6540 I (THUONG DUC)

(b) 1st Mar Div O 3800.1G (Intelligence SOP)

(c) BnOrder P3800.1 (Intelligence SOP)

1. SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION

a. Current Intelligence Estimate (Appendix 1).

b. Special Intelligence Reports will be sent to all companies.

2. ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF INFORMATION

a. Determine if the enemy will:

(1) Oppose our attempts to insert our forces and equipment by helicopter into the operational area? If so, in what strength? Where?

(2) Oppose our attempts to enter operational area overland? If so, in what strength? Where?

(3) Counterattack. If so, in what strength? Where?

(4) Reinforce. If so, in what strength? From which area will the reinforcements come? What is the identification of the reinforcing units?

b. Determine the location of enemy:

(1) Base camps and command posts.

(2) Medical aid stations, hospitals and evacuation routes.

(3) Caches, supply points, supply routes.

(4) Anti-aircraft weapons and weapon sites.

(5) Lines of communication.

(6) Routes of withdrawal and/or escape.

c. Determine the enemy's capabilities to:

(1) Monitor and jam our radio nets. To what extent will he employ imitative deception?

(2) Employ voice radio and teletype. Where are his communications centers?

(3) Chemical warfare. What types of chemicals does he employ? To what extent? How are the chemicals delivered?

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3. INTELLIGENCE ACQUISITION TASKS**a. Orders to subordinate units.**

- (1) Fully exploit prisoners for tactical information of immediate concern and then evacuate by most expeditious means to Regimental POW company, Hill 55, for further exploitation.
- (2) Report as obtained, all information answering specific intelligence requirements stated in Appendix 1.
- (3) Conduct terrain, stream, road, and bridge reconnaissance within assigned sector.
- (4) Maintain surveillance over major avenues of approach heading into friendly positions and report, as obtained, information on enemy or suspected enemy movements along these routes, to include civilian traffic.
- (5) Report time, location, direction and equipment of any significant movement by the local populace

4. MEASURES FOR HANDLING DETAINEES, PRISONERS, CAPTURED DOCUMENTS AND CAPTURED MATERIAL

- a. See reference (b)
- b. All captured personnel, documents and material will be tagged and forwarded to the S-2, in accordance with procedure set forth in reference (b).
- c. Units will not broadcast in the clear reports concerning detainees or captives, but refer to appropriate line number in the spot report format. This is to insure that intelligence gained from such captives may be exploited before the enemy becomes aware of the compromise of possible compromise.
- d. Units which have interpreters attached to them will interrogate all captives and detainees upon their capture for information of immediate tactical value only. All personnel will be instructed in the humane handling of captives and detainees and their individual responsibility for the action of both themselves and their men.
- e. The delivery of captives and detainees, documents and equipment to designated collection points will be accomplished by the most expeditious means available. Items of equipment which cannot be moved or evacuated will be safe-guarded in place when the tactical situation permits.
- f. Returnees (Chieu Hoi) will be transported to a designated collection point after information of immediate tactical value has been obtained.

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**Appendix 1: (Intelligence Requirements) to Annex B (Intelligence)
 to Operation Order 1-69**

1. ESSENTIAL ASPECTS OF LEGULATION

- a. Will the enemy resist landing in LZ by fire? If so to what degree?
- b. Will the enemy reinforce units in contact or in the BIF zone of action? If so, where, when and in what strength?
- c. Does the enemy have the capability to employ artillery, mortars or rockets against the BIF zone of action? If so, what type, where, and in what strength?
- d. What suitable helicopter landing zones exist in the projected areas of operation? What is the capability of those zones?

2. OTHER INTELLIGENCE REQUIREMENTS

- a. What is the location of the enemy headquarters, camps, rest areas, supply points, and weapon/ammunition storage areas?
- b. What methods and techniques will the enemy employ to communicate? What radio and telephone equipment do they have? What other means? Special attention to signal methods for purposes of war ing, breaking contact, opening fire, making static traps, mine fields, booby traps and the use of drums, bugles, whistles, flares, lights, signs and markers.
- c. What methods and techniques will the enemy employ to gain access to friendly positions and/or installations? Give special attention to infiltration of individuals or units by deceptive or covert means to include tunneling.
- d. What are the enemy reactions to defense and counter-measures against reconnaissance, surveillance detection devices and techniques? Give special attention to their methods of avoiding detection and contact with BIF forces.
- e. What land and water routes does the enemy use for infiltration of equipment and personnel?
- f. What is the attitude of the people towards friendly and enemy forces in areas defined as pacified, contested, or VC controlled? What factors effect these attitudes?

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Annex 2 (Intelligence Estimate) to Annex B (Intelligence) to Operation Order 1-69

Ref: (a) Map: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS Series L7014 Sheets 6540 I (THUONG DUC)

(b) 1st Mar Div (REHEP) FMF, Special Study "HUI MANG, HUI DA HA, CHARLIE RIDGE; Period 01 Jan to 05 Mar 69"

1. MISSION.

At 1-hour on D-Day land by helicopter in the vicinity of ZG133655 and establish FSB BROICO. Conduct reconnaissance in force operations in western HAPPY VALLEY to find, fix and destroy enemy forces, installations and fortifications.

2. GENERAL SITUATION.

a. Characteristics of area of operation

1. Military Geography

(a) Topography. The area concerned is bounded by coordinates (ZC0773), (AT9373), (AT9360), (ZC2154), (ZC0754), and is characterized by steep rugged mountains. The CHARLIE RIDGE complex situated in the southern portion of the area of operations, the BA HA mountains located in the north, HUI MANG mountains to the northwest, THE THURSON Mountain located in the south central section and the high ground over Look-in THUONG DUC VALLEY constitute dominant terrain features. These features rise sharply from adjacent river valleys with rough dissections scarring the densely vegetated slopes. In sharp contrast to the otherwise mountainous terrain in HAPPY VALLEY, centrally located in the operational area, local relief generally ranges between 500 and 1000 meters, the maximum elevation within the AO is Hill 1227 (ZC075635). The minimum elevation within the AO approximately 350 meters in the valleys located near the center of the AO. The floor of HAPPY VALLEY is approximately 350 meters above sea level.

(b) Hydrography. The SONG YAM flows south from the western end of HAPPY VALLEY to the SONG CON, thus forming the western boundary.

(c) Climate and Weather.

1. General. The climate of the area is monsoonal in nature. It is characterized by two major seasons; the southwest monsoon, and the northeast monsoon.

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2. **Temperatures.** The warmest temperatures in this area occur from April through September while the coolest temperatures occur from December through February.

	<u>April</u>	<u>May</u>
Record Maximum	105	102
Mean Maximum	88	91
Mean Monthly	80	83
Mean Minimum	73	76
Record Minimum	62	71

3. **Humidity.** Early morning relative humidities are normally above 90 percent.

4. **Precipitation.** The rainy season begins in May and extends through December with the maximum precipitation occurring September through November.

2. **Transportation**

(a) General. There are many trails in the area of operation. Some of these trails are capable of supporting vehicular, tracked and wheeled movement.

(b) Enemy Military Situation

1. There are no known units in our AO except for main force VC. However in the overall AO the following units are indicated:

a. Strength

141st Regiment	900-1,000
Battalions: (3)	200-250 Each
368B Arty Regiment	1,200-1,250
Battalions: (2)	400-450 Each
31st Regiment	800-950
Battalions: (2)	300-350 Each
21st Anti-Aircraft Company	40-60

2. Composition

Prior to the "Post - TET Offensive", the following major NVA units were located in the operation area: 141st Infantry Regiment (ZC1859) with three infantry battalions and supporting companies; the headquarters of the 368 B Artillery Regiment located in vicinity (ZC1461) with three battalions displaced generally from vicinity (AT0060) to (AT0283); the 31st Regiment of the 341st Division vicinity (AT0165) (Headquarters). The two battalions of the 31st Infantry Regiment were located in the same general vicinity as the headquarters.

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3. UNIT	LOCATION	STN.	EQUIP.
141 Regiment HQ	(ZC1859)	400	82mm Mort 81mm Mort 60mm Mort 75 RR 57 RR 12.7 AA B 40's B 41's
1st Battalion 141st Regt		230	82mm Mort 75 RR B40's 12.7 Tripod mounted AA gun
2nd Battalion 141st Regt		235	82mm Mort 60mm Mort B-40's B-41's 57 RR's RPG 2&7
3rd Battalion 141st Regt		240	82mm Mort 60mm Mort B-40's B-41's 57 RR RPG 2&7
HQ 31st Regt	(AT8165)	720	12.7 AA guns 6-82mm mort 75 RR 57 RR
102 Battalion		370	9-60mm Mort 4-81mm Mort B-40's B-41's RPG's 2&7
103 Battalion		375	9-60mm Mort 4-81mm Mort B-40's B-41's RPG's 2&7

TOTAL 1465

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Unit	Strength	Notes
1st Battalion - Army Regt	(20 1401)	10-1200 rkt -1400 rkt w/launchers
Q 73 Company	130	RPG 60MM Mort
Q 84 Company	25	RA 60MM Mort 81 MM Mort 82 MM Mort

4. Reinforcements

The 2nd NVA Division generally located south and southwest of the area of operations is considered the principle external reinforcing command.

5. Strength and Weaknesses

(a) The enemy's primary strength lies in his knowledge of the area. Secondly, he could defend and/or attack upon terrain of his own choosing.

6. Analysis of Enemy Capabilities

a. Relative order of probability of adoption by enemy (in decreasing order of probability).

1. Withdrawal. In light of the 7th Marines mission and scheme of maneuver (i.e. attacking towards the center of the A.C. from the periphery in three directions simultaneously), the enemy's capability to execute a partial or complete withdrawal must be considered as the probable course of action.

2. Defend. Probable. The enemy in his present location is capable of initially defending against the entrance of friendly forces into the area of operation.

3. Attack. Not considered likely. Conflicting reports on the number of casualties suffered by the 141st NVA Regiment makes the attack phase unlikely.

4. Reinforce. Possible but not very likely. The enemy units within the area can reinforce internally at will.

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5. Conclusion: enemy will initially defend against the entrance of friendly forces into the area of operations to that extent necessary to delay and harass. He will then withdraw his forces to defend those cache areas and installations he deems valuable. Ultimately, he will withdraw or go underground avoiding detection of involvement in major engagements.

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APPENDIX 3 (Target List) to ANNEX B (Intelligence) to Operation Order 1-69

- Ref: (a) Map: VIETNAM 1:50,000 AMS Series L7014 Sheets
 (b) 1st Mar Div (Rein) FMF Special Study "QUANG, NUI BA HA, CHARLIE RIDGE; Period 01 January to 05 March 1969".
 (c) FMF 7 - 1

1. Targets are listed in three sections; Pre D-Day, D-Day and Post D-Day. Targets are serially numbered utilizing a five (or six) character alphanumeric numbering system and listed by north-south grids. Targets within a specific north-south grid (ie. AT87, ZC07) maintain the same basic numeric designator regardless of whether targeted for Pre D-Day, D-Day or Post D-Day.

2. Targets are further identified by classification and priority. The following code is utilized:

a. Classification (A, B, C, D)

- A - Targets which are a threat to air operations
- B - Targets which effect friendly forces by threat to helo landing zones or initial maneuver into the area of operations.
- C - Targets which facilitate the enemy's continued resistance or which are a threat to friendly forces or in opposition to maneuver.
- D - Restricted targets will not be fired unless approval is received from this headquarters.

b. Priority (I, II, III, IV)

- I - Targets capable of preventing execution of plan of attack.
- II - Targets capable of immediate serious interference with the plan of action of the landing force and its elements.
- III - Targets capable of ultimate serious interference with plan of action.
- IV - Targets capable of limited interference with plan of action.

Target list is based on data contained in reference (b) and subsequent reconnaissance and intelligence reports.

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D-DAY TARGETS

<u>NS</u>	<u>CI</u>	<u>ID</u>	<u>TGT NO</u>	<u>COORD</u>	<u>DESCRP</u>	<u>ELEV</u>	<u>CLASS</u>	<u>PRIORITY</u>
"	"	11	BQ004	Z0145663	HILL 362	362	B	II
"	"	13	BQ004	" 133679	HILL 417	417	A	II
"	"	13	BQ005	" 138607	HILL 1002	1002	A	II
"	"	13	BQ007	" 131649	Harbor site	560	C	IV
"	"	13	BQ008	" 133641	Bunker	800	C	IV
"	"	13	BQ009	" 135641	Harbor site	800	"	"
"	"	13	BQ100	" 135645	"	640	"	"
"	"	13	BQ111	" 138648	"	520	"	"
"	"	13	BQ112	" 136647	"	600	"	"
"	"	13	BQ113	" 138651	"	440	"	"
"	"	13	BQ114	" 138647	Base Camp	600	"	"
"	"	12	BT004	" 128668	Junct	340	"	"
"	"	12	BT005	" 124651	HILL 749	749	A	II
"	"	12	BT006	" 120682	HILL 426	426	A	II
"	"	12	BT007	" 121662	Harbor	400	C	IV
"	"	12	BT008	" 127653	"	600	"	"
"	"	12	BT009	" 129652	"	560	"	"
"	"	12	BT010	" 123653	Base Camp	200	"	"
"	"	12	BT011	" 125670	NVA ARTY Co	340	C	IV
"	"	11	BQ002	" 116672	Junct	340	"	"
"	"	11	BS003	" 115666	Junct	350	"	"
"	"	11	BS005	" 110640	Trail/infil/rt	360	"	III
"	"	11	BS006	" 110650	Susp AA pos	360	A	II
"	"	11	BS007	" 112657	Harbor	410	C	IV
"	"	10	BS008	" 119647	HILL 629	629	A	II
"	"	10	BR002	" 105625	Fort ville	260	B	II
"	"	10	BR003	" 105635	Harbor	590	C	IV
"	"	10	BR004	" 106673	Fort ville	340	B	II
"	"	10	BR005	" 109641	Harbor	350	C	IV
"	"	10	BR006	" 109671	Bunker	340	C	II
"	"	10	BR007	" 106640	Regt CP	430	"	IV
"	"	10	BR008	" 108654	HILL 420	420	B	II
"	"	10	BR009	" 109649	HILL 363	363	"	"
"	"	10	BQ001	" 099649	Storage area	420	C	IV
"	"	09	BQ002	" 094660	Foot bridge	350	D	III
"	"	09	BQ003	" 093685	Hooch, tunnel	400	C	IV
"	"	09	BQ006	" 090670	Bunker	376	C	II
"	"	09	BQ007	" 091644	Harbor	770	C	IV
"	"	09	BQ008	" 092648	Bunker	550	C	II
"	"	09	BQ009	" 093643	Bunker	700	C	III
"	"	09	BQ0010	" 095667	Trail/infil/rt	340	C	IV
"	"	09	BQ0011	" 095643	Bunker	660	C	III
"	"	09	BQ0012	" 096660	Storage area	360	C	IV
"	"	09	BQ0013	" 099675	Bunker	360	C	III
"	"	09	BQ0014	" 097657	Base Camp	350	C	IV
"	"	09	BQ0015	" 097641	Bunker	750	C	III

Zone	Code	Area	Description	Area	Code	Category
20	CZ02	" 102636	HILL 112	"	A	"
"	CZ03	" 107637	Harbor	660	C	"
"	CZ04	" 106617	"	1020	C	"
"	CZ05	" 109661	"	108	C	"
"	CZ06	" 105624	"	940	C	IV
17	CZ01	" 170659	"	190	C	"
16	CY03	" 162630	"	700	C	"
"	CX04	" 163632	Trail junct	340	C	IV
"	CX05	" 164634	HILL 249	800	A	"
"	CX06	" 164637	HILL 426	390	A	"
15	CX01	" 153656	Harbor	420	C	IV
"	CX03	" 154633	"	602	C	II
"	CX05	" 157620	"	1163	C	II
"	CX06	" 152643	Regt CP	640	C	IV
"	CX07	" 153679	HILL 1156	650	C	IV
"	CX08	" 154644	Trail junct	600	C	IV
"	CX09	" 150625	Storage area	1040	C	IV
14	CX004	" 144635	"	1166	A	IV
"	CX005	" 143635	Base camp	350	C	II
"	CX006	" 143623	Battalion Camp	360	A	IV
"	CX007	" 145624	"	380	C	"
"	CX008	" 140620	Regt CP	360	C	"
13	CX004	" 133629	Base camp	412	C	IV
"	CX007	" 131649	Regt CP	560	C	II
"	CX008	" 135649	Harbor	800	C	IV
"	CX009	" 135645	"	640	C	IV
"	CX010	" 134640	"	520	C	"
"	CX011	" 135647	"	600	C	"
"	CX012	" 134631	"	440	C	"
12	CX013	" 120637	T 1 junct	340	C	"
"	CX004	" 121651	HILL 249	749	C	II
"	CX005	" 120632	HILL 426	426	C	"
"	CX007	" 121632	Harbor	400	C	IV
"	CX008	" 127653	"	660	C	II
"	CX009	" 120652	"	566	C	II
11	CX005	" 116672	"	340	C	IV
"	CX001	" 115666	Trail junct	350	C	IX
"	CX005	" 110640	Trail infl rt	360	A	IV
"	CX006	" 110650	Susp A1	360	A	IV
"	CX006	" 112657	Harbor	410	C	II
"	CX007	" 110647	HILL 629	629	C	IV
10	CX003	" 105675	Fort ville	360	C	II
"	CX002	" 105635	Harbor	590	C	IV
"	CX003	" 105635	Fort ville	340	A	"
9	CX004	" 104672	Storage	420	C	"
"	CX001	" 090649	Foot bridge	250	C	"

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309	000	00095608	Wood	400	G	
"	"	5 " 0020	Mill 39	400	A	I
"	"	6 " 091644	Harbor	770	C	IV
"	"	7 " 03567	Trail infl pt	340	C	IV
"	"	8 " 006660	Storage area	360	G	IV
"	"	9 " 097635	Base Camp	000	C	IV

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APPENDIX 4 (Passwords List) to Annex B (Intelligence) to Operation Order L-69

Ref: (a) Map: VIETNAM: 1:50,000 AMS Series L7014 Sheet 6540I (Touong Duc)
 (b) BnO P 3000.1 (SOP)
 (c) Challenge and Passwords

1. Primary challenge and passwords, effective 291200 Mar 69:

<u>CODE</u>	<u>CHALLENGE</u>	<u>PASSWORD</u>
57 Five Seven	DAY	FRUIT
00 Eight Zero	FIRE	GLASS
14 One Four	GOLD	DOWN
72 Seven Two	WATER	CORD
95 Nine Five	PIPE	HOOD
36 Three Six	SICK	SMOKE
41 Four One	JEEP	NEST
55 Five Five	RAIN	TIRE
04 Eight Four	GOLF	CLAW
77 Seven Seven	FOOTER	SKY
07 Zero Seven	GREEN	SAIL
99 Nine Nine	BEAR	DIRTY
32 Three Two	EAGLE	FISH
50 Five Eight	LINE	POND
63 Six Three	TREE	CAGE
46 Four Six	BLUE	SUN
11 One One	GOOD	FLY
31 Three One	CLEAN	RED
08 Eight Eight	BIRD	WORN
75 Seven Five	CODE	EAR
61 Six One	SIGN	CORD
00 Zero Zero	HORN	COOK
50 Five Zero	DINNER	HORN
29 Two Nine	COAT	LIGHT
17 One Seven	RIP	TALL
66 Six Six	BULL	HAND
92 Nine Two	SMALL	FOLD
03 Zero Three	KING	BOY
40 Four Zero	TOWN	JEWEL
99 Nine Nine	BIG	ENTER

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2. Alternate challenge and response list for use of the 69, 69:

<u>CODE</u>	<u>ALTERNATE</u>	<u>STANDARD</u>
57 Five Seven	AREA	UNCLE
00 Eight Zero	STUDY	HAIN
14 One Four	DATE	COURSE
72 Seven Two	ALTER	DOOR
95 Nine Five	FLOOR	
36 Three Six	SAIL	TARGE
41 Four One	BOAT	WELL
55 Five Five	APPLE	TRUCK
84 Eight Four	TRAIL	WALL
07 Zero Seven	ART	SIZE
99 Nine Nine	SEA	POPO
32 Three Two	GULL	STOP
58 Five Eight	BASS	PURSE
63 Six Three	FISH	PI
11 One One	PIER	HUT
31 Three One	HIGH	KITCH
88 Eight Eight	LOW	PANCH
75 Seven Five	SON	POON
61 Six One	LAN	TEL
00 Zero Zero	INDIA	RATTLE
50 Five Zero		
29 Two Nine	PLAT	WASH
17 One Seven	TIRE	SERVICE
66 Six Six	WHEEL	TABLE
92 Nine Two	NORMAL	CORP
03 Zero Three	ROCKET	HEAD
40 Four Zero	DORE	BIKE
49 Four Nine	CIRCLE	SUN

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Annex D (Landing Plan) to Operation Order 7-69

1. Helicopter Employment/Assault Landing Table for one LZ

WAVE	HELICOPTER	NO. TYPE	TYPE	TIME	TIME	TIME	DIR	TROOP UNIT
		A/C	RECH	LOAD	LAUNCH	LAND		OR EQUIPMENT
1	CH	4 CH 4GD	H111 55 IZ	L-30	L-15	L-12	E3 Robin	K Co 15 Man Troop
2		4 CH 4GD	H111 55 IZ	L-15	L-12	L-15	E3 Robin	K Co 15 Man Troop
3		4 CH 4GD	H111 55 IZ	L-15	L-15	L-30	E3 Robin	K Co 15 Man Troop
4		4 CH 4GD	H111 55 IZ	L-15	L-30	L-45	E3 Robin	H Co 15 Man Troop
5		4 CH 4GD	H111 55 IZ	L-30	L-45	L-60	E3 Robin	H Co 15 Man Troop
6		4 CH 4GD	H111 55 IZ	L-45	L-60	L-75	E3 Robin	H Co 15 Man Troop
7		4 CH 4GD	H111 55 IZ	L-60	L-75	L-90	E3 Robin	H & I Co 15 Man Troop
8		4 CH 4GD	H111 55 IZ	L-75	L-90	L-105	E3 Robin	I Co 15 Man Troop
9		4 CH 4GD	H111 55 IZ	L-90	L-105	L-120	E3 Robin	I Co 15 Man Troop
10		3 CH 500a	H111 55 IZ	L-105	L-120	L-135	E3 Robin	I Co, Jump CP GIN Hbt 35 Man Troop
11		4 CH 4GL	H111 55 IZ	L-120	L-135	L-150	E3 Robin	GIN Hbt L Co 15 Man Troop
12		4 CH 4GD	H111 55 IZ	L-135	L-150	L-165	E3 Robin	L Co 15 Man Troop

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WAVE	HELICOPTER FLIGHT	NO. TYPE A/C	TIME FROM	TIME LOAD LAUNCH	TIME LAND	DEST	TROOP UNIT OR EQUIPMENT
13		4 CH 4 GD	HELL 55 12	L-150 L-165	L-180	12 Robin	3 Co 15 Men Teams
14		3 CH 53's	HELL 55 12	L-165 L-180	L-195	12 Robin	L Co 4.2 Mortars 35 Men Teams
15		4 CH 4 GD	HELL 55 12	L-180 L-195	L-210	12 Robin	103 Co 15 Men Teams
16		4 CH 46 D	HELL 55 12	L-195 L-210	L-225	12 Robin	103 Co 106's 15 Men Teams
17		4 CH 4 GD	HELL 55 12	L-210 L-225	L-240	12 Robin	4.2 Armo
18		3 CH 53's	HELL 55 12	L-225 L-240	L-255	12 Robin	4.2 Armo
19		4 CH 46 D	HELL 55 12	L-240 L-255	L-270	12 Robin	4.2 Armo
20		4 CH 4 GD	HELL 55 12	L-255 L-270	L-285	12 Robin	4.2 Armo
21		4 CH 4 GD	HELL 55 12	L-270 L-285	L-300	12 Robin	500th Mort Armo & 4.2 Armo
22		3 CH 53's	HELL 55 12	L-285 L-300	L-315	12 Robin	500th Mort Armo

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Annex B (Fire Support Coordination) to Operation Order 1-69

Ref: (a) GTO 79-5 Operation Plan 120-77a
 (b) HMF 22-2 D
 (c) HMF 7-1
 (d) HMF 3-1
 (e) HMF 3/26 Operation Plan 1-69

Line Item: 1001

Task Organization: Annex A (Task Organization)

1. Situation

a. General

(1) References (a), (b) and (c) will be adhered to in the control and coordination of supporting arms.

b. Host Forces

- (1) Annex B (Intelligence)
- (2) Current INSURIS

c. Friendly Forces

- (1) Annex H (Air Operations)

2. Mission

The BMT FSCC plans and coordinates the fires of all the major supporting arms with the plan of operations of the BMT to provide for maximum fire support, and for troop and aircraft safety.

3. Execution

a. Concept of Artillery Employment

(1) Mortar Battery, 1st Bn, 13th Marines lands by helicopter according to Annex D (Landing Plan) and occupies designated positions. Provide direct support fires to BMT 3/26.

(2) Battery "C", (Main), 1st Bn, 13th Marines provides one provisional platoon to land in accordance with Annex D (Landing Plan) and begins immediate preparation of FSB Hromeo. On order be prepared to land remaining personnel and howitzers on or about D+2.

(3) Control and coordination of supporting arms by BMT FSCC. See reference (b).

(4) BMT fire coordination. See references (a) and (b).

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b. Close air support will be under positive control of the TACP, FAC, FAC (A) or FAO. Airborne controllers will establish communications with friendly units for positive location before attacking a target.

c. Artillery will normally be under the positive control of the FSC, FO, or airborne spotter.

d. Employment of supporting arms shall be in accordance with ref (c).

4. Command and Communications Electronics

a. See Annex II (Communications-Electronics)

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Annex II (Air Operations) to Operations Order 1-69

Ref: (a) COMUSMACV Directive Number 95-2
 (b) RHP 22-5 (7)
 (c) COM USMACV Operational Order 120 ___ yr
 (d) RHP 41

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1. MISSION

a. General

Reference (a) established guidance procedures and restrictions on the employment of U.S. military air delivered fire power in RVN.

b. Army Support

- (1) See Annex D (Intelligence)
- (2) See current LRSUM

2. MISSION

To coordinate air delivered fire power with all other types of fire power in order to obtain the optimum fire plan as well as provide facilities to support the ground phase of movement and air resupply missions.

a. See Annex C (Operation Overlay)

b. Restrictive fire plans will be in accordance with Annex II (Fire Support Coordination) and reference (b).

c. Helicopter priority and alternate LZ's will be calculated for pre-emptory fires prior to landing troops.

d. Air strikes within the NSCC must be under positive control of one of the following in order of preference:

- (1) PAC(A) or PAC USMC, PAC(A) USAF or US ARMY
- (2) TPO 10 USMC, Sky Spot USAF

e. The USMC military grid reference two letter, six number system will be used for target description.

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f. All units down to squad size will carry both air marking panels and scales for marking front lines, friendly positions and LZ's.

g. IST will assign a four man section to each company. They will provide control of LZ's for medevac and resupply missions whenever possible.

h. Use standard mission request form for all missions (see Appendix 2 (Mission Request Form)).

i. Submit pre-planned mission request by 1600 daily.

j. Helicopters will be available for medevac and resupply as the tactical situation permits.

k. Mark targets for air strikes with white phosphorus if possible.

3. Command and Communications Electronics

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Appendices

1. Alert Status of Support Aircraft.
2. Mission Request Form

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Appendix (1) (Alert Status of Support Aircraft) to Annex II (Air Operations) to
Operation Order L-69

Ref: (c) UFP 41

1. Conditions of Aircraft Readiness in accordance with reference (c):

- CONDITION - 1 Pilot in cockpit, engine not running, and deck crews on their
stations. Aircraft launch 2 minutes.
- CONDITION - 2 Aircraft can be launched within 5 minutes.
- CONDITION - 3 Aircraft can be launched within 15 minutes.
- CONDITION - 4 Aircraft can be launched within 30 minutes.
- CONDITION - 5 Aircraft will be launched at specified time.

2. Condition aircraft that are launched will be replaced by other
aircraft in the same condition of readiness.

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Appendix 2 (Mission Request Form) to Annex H (Air Operations) to Operation Order 1-69

		MISSION NO		TIME	
(SEE DRAWER TAGS)		THIS IS (TAGA, TAGP, TAGC)			
TYPE MISSION					
<input type="checkbox"/> EMERGENCY		<input type="checkbox"/> PRIORITY		<input type="checkbox"/> ORDINARY	
<input type="checkbox"/> SEARCH/ATTACK					
TARGET IS					
1	<input type="checkbox"/> AAA POSTER	<input type="checkbox"/> REAR POSTER	<input type="checkbox"/> SUPPLIES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/> GUN POSTER	<input type="checkbox"/> PILL BOX	<input type="checkbox"/> TANKS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/> TROOPS	<input type="checkbox"/> VEHICLES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	TARGET AREA		CHART NO		
3	TARGET BEARS		FROM (LANDMARK)		
	DESTROYED YD/TIMERS		(GIVE DIRECTION)		
4	TARGET IS		ON/THRU		
	<input type="checkbox"/> STATIONARY	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVING	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5	<input type="checkbox"/> WILL	<input type="checkbox"/> WILL NOT	MARK W/ (COLOR)		<input type="checkbox"/> SIGN
6	TYPE ATTACK				
	<input type="checkbox"/> DIVE	<input type="checkbox"/> STRAIN	<input type="checkbox"/> NAPATH	<input type="checkbox"/> ROCKET	
7	HEADING (TAG)		PULL OUT		ILLUMINATE ALB.
			<input type="checkbox"/> RIGHT <input type="checkbox"/> LEFT <input type="checkbox"/> STRAIGHT		
8	WAVE (NO) HIVE USING (%ARMAMENT)				
9	TYPE		DIR/DIRTY (TYPE)		AND (TYPE)
10	FRONT LINE POSTER FRONT (T.A.)		TO (T.A.)		
11	<input type="checkbox"/> FRONT LINE <input type="checkbox"/> TAG		IS (DISTANCE & DIRECTION)		FROM TARGET
12	<input type="checkbox"/> TAGA	<input type="checkbox"/> TAGP	<input type="checkbox"/> WILL CONTROL		
	<input type="checkbox"/> TAGC	<input type="checkbox"/> FTR LEADER			
13	USE (%)		<input type="checkbox"/> VF <input type="checkbox"/> VI		ON (COLOR REF)
14	RECOMMENDED FIRE PLAN		IN EFFECT FROM (TIME) TO (TIME)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> VICTOR <input type="checkbox"/> NEGAT <input type="checkbox"/> WILLIAM				
15	TARGET DAMAGE		ORGANIZE EXPENDED		
16	ADDITIONAL REMARKS				

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ANNEX M (Communication-Electronics) to Operation Order 1-69

Ref: (a) FMFM 10-1
 (b) 7th Marines Operations Order 1-69
 (c) Special Landing Force Bravo GUL dtd 27 Mar 69

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1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces

- (1) Annex B (Intelligence)
- (2) The enemy has the ability to:
 - (a) Conduct electronic countermeasures
 - (b) Conduct wire tapping
 - (c) Intercept radio circuits
 - (d) Insert deceptive traffic on uncovered wire and radio circuits
- (3) The enemy is expected to make a concentrated monitoring effort to gain current tactical intelligence from our radio nets.
- (4) Abandoned enemy communication-electronic equipment may be booty trapped.

b. Friendly Forces

- (1) Annex A (Task Organization)
- (2) Command Posts
 - (a) 7th Marines (AT 969619)
 - (b) 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines (AT 966616)
 - (c) RLT 3/26 report when established.
 - (d) Others report when established.

2. MISSION. Commencing at H-Hour and L-Hour, D-Day communication elements operate and maintain continuous communications to support Operation OKLAHOMA HILLS.

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1. COMMUNICATION

a. Comm Plt BVT 3/26

- (1) Be prepared to maintain communication on 7th Mar Tac commencing H-2 hours, D-1.
- (2) Be prepared to maintain communication on 7th Mar Tac commencing H-2 hours, D-1.
- (3) TACP be prepared to maintain communication on 7th Mar TACP local for air request and med evac commencing H-2 hours, D-1.
- (4) Be prepared to establish and maintain communication on 7th Mar #1 commencing H-2 hours, D-1.
- (5) Be prepared to establish normal relay on Rm. Ba Na to BLT Hoang Chi from fire base on Ba Tac #2, on D-4 for admin. radio traffic.
- (6) Be prepared to establish internal wire loop for perimeter security at BLT fire base on order.
- (7) SMM MarTac Plt be prepared to maintain communication with BLT 3/26 FDC commencing H-2 hours, D-1.
- (8) Artillery section be prepared to maintain communication on Fire Direction #2 commencing H-2 hours, D-1.

b. I Co. K Co. L Co. M Co. BLT 3/26

- (1) Be prepared to maintain communication on Ba Tac #1 commencing H-2 hours, D-1, or on order.
- (2) Be prepared to establish and maintain normal internal communication commencing H-2 hours, D-1, or on order.

c. Co. BVT 1/13

- (1) Be prepared to maintain communication on Fire Direction #2 commencing H-2 hours, D-1, or on order.
- (2) Be prepared to establish and maintain normal internal communication commencing H-2 hours, D-1, or on order.

d. Co. BVT 1/13

- (1) Be prepared to maintain communication on Fire Direction #2, commencing H-2 hours, D-1, or on order.

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- (2) Be prepared to establish and maintain normal internal communication commencing H-2 hours, D-1, or on order.

e. HSR, 5th Shore Party

- (1) Be prepared to maintain communication on Regt TAC108 net, commencing H-2 hours, D-1, or on order.
- (2) Be prepared to establish and maintain normal internal communication commencing H-2 hours, D-1, or on order.

f. Coordinating Instructions

- (1) Cryptographic. Effective extracts of KAL-PAG 15, KAL-QAL 505, and KAL-60 B0, will be used.

(2) Messenger Service

- (a) Incoming and outgoing messages will be picked up and delivered by BMT 3/26 Message Center personnel, at 7th Marines Message Center.
- (b) Helicopter supply runs will be utilized for messenger runs from rear OP, to fire base LP, as required.

(3) Radio

- (a) Suspend 10.
- (b) Commence guard of all radio nets at H-2.
- (c) Radio silence lifted on order.
- (d) Tactical call signs in accordance with ref (a).

(4) Signal

- (a) In accordance with BMT 3/26 Operation Order 1-69

4. ADMINISTRATIVE AND LOGISTICS

- (a) BMT 3/26 Operation Order 1-69.
- (b) Be H-4 provide liaison team to LEA; H-1 provide one radio operator for team prior to H-4ay.

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- (a) Limited maintenance will be provided for vehicles at the Air Base CP.
- (b) Companies requiring 2nd echelon repair of radios will notify command at the Air Base CP. Technicians will bring in replacement parts from rear CP and pick up bad radios. No communications equipment will be put on any helicopter unless accompanied by a courier to return to RIF tech shop.
- (c) Resupply of BA-366's will be subscaled through HSC on TACVMS. Two days supplies will be maintained by each unit.

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Item No.	Item Name	Qty	Unit	Spec	Notes
1	100% Battery 1/13	X			
2	100% Battery 1/13	X			
3	100% Battery 1/13	X			
4	100% Battery 1/13	X			
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7	100% Battery 1/13	X			
8	100% Battery 1/13	X			
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- CG Whiskey Btry, 1st Bn 13th Mar

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