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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY HEADQUARTERS 1ST BATTALION (MECHANIZED), SOTH INFANTRY 173D AIRBORNE BRIGADE

173D AIRBORNE BRIGADE
APO San Francisco 96250

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27 March 1969

SUBJECT: After Action Report - Attack on Camp Radcliff, 20 March 1969

Commanding General 173d Airborne Brigade ATTN: AVBE-SC/MHD APO 96250

l. General: At 202240Mar69 Camp Radeliff came under mortar and sapper attack. An astimated three sappers were seen in the vicinity of the 504th MP Bn area just prior to the impact of the first mortar rounds. Explosive charges were implaced in the 504th MP area which resulted in two US KMA, five WH, and moderate damage to five buildings.

2. Sequence of Events:

- a. 22k% MPs informed 1-50th TCC that sniper rounds were coming from Hon Gong mountain and several unknown type explosions were heard in the 50kth MP En area.
 - b. 2242 D/2-1 Cay gunship ordered airborne.
 - c. 2250 586th Signal reported mortar rounds impacting in their area.
- d. 2251 5th SF Group MSFTC reported mortar rounds impacting in their area.
 - e. 2252 4.2 mortar and artillery began firing counter-mortar.
 - 2253 General alert sounded.
 - g. 2300 Incoming mortars ceased.
 - h. 2330 Flareship airborne.
- i. 233% Battery A (Rear) 2-17th reported individuals in ditch between guns and Greenline.
 - j. 2334 Spooky on station, Camp Radeliff.
 - k. ØllØ General alert terminated.



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- 3. Casualties and Damages:
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 - (1.)US KHA - 2
 - (2)US THA - 5
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 - (1.) One 5ton mecker, moderate damage.
 - One 2/zton truck, moderate damage.
 - (3)One 3/liton truck, moderate damage.
 - (h) One aton truck, moderate damage.
 - Two UMIH helicopters, one slight, one moderate damage.
 - (5) Four 55 gallon drums of OE30 oil destroyed.
 - (?) One 600 gallon fuel tank moderate damage.
 - (8) One 1,00 gallon water trailer, moderate damage.
 - (9) Eighteen buildings, moderate damage.

L. Discussion:

- a. At 1/0330Mar69 several individuals were reported in the ditch between & Battery (Rear) 2-17th arty and the Greenline. How long the sappers had been inside the perimeter of Camp Radeliff and exactly where entrance was made is still unknown.
- b. The purpose of the attack appeared to be part of the current series of coordinated attacks on US installations.
- c. It is believed that the 20-30 rounds of morter that hit within Camp Radcliff served a dual purpose of destruction and distraction so as to cover the withdrawal of the sappers.
- d. Searches have been made and continue to be made for the suppers who may still be within the confines of Camp Radcliff.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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L. Disposition - 586th Sig Co

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Acting Adjutant

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY MOBILE STRIKE FORCE TRAINING COMMAND 5TH SPECIAL FORCES GROUP (AIRBORNE), 1ST SPECIAL FORCES APO, 96294

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23 Harch 1969

SUBJECT: After Action Report

COMMINITIES OFFICER 1/ 50 Insantry (Mech) APO: 98750

- 1. There did attack occur: 49PBR467488
- 2. The did it occur: 202250Mar69
- 3. Who was involved: MSFTC
- 4. That happened: MSFTC received approximately eight (8) rounds of 82mm Mortar from a back azimuth of due North.
- 5, Action taken: Command was alerted, took up alert positions.
- 6. Results of Attack: Damage at HSFTC was as follows: Eight (8) tires on 5 ton Wrecker, 1 ea 400 gal. Water Trailer, 1 ea 1½ ton Trailer, four (4) drums of OE-30, and 1 ea 600 gal. fuel tank.
- 7. Miscellaneous: MSFTC was ordered to EXERCISE "COCKED HAT" effective 201800Mar. MSFTC was in alert positions prior to 2023COMar. No complications during attack were noted.

s/ Lee B. Wilson t/ LEE B. WILSON Major Infantry Commanding

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY HEADQUARTERS LITH BATTALION (AIRBORNE) 503D INFANTRY APO US Forces 96250

AVBJ-BDSC

23 March 1969

SUBJECT: After Action Report

Commanding Officer Quick Strike Battalion ATTE: D-TOO APO US Forces 96250

- 1. At 2215 hours on 20 Warch 1969 several explosions were heard coming from the 50kth AP area adjacent to the kth Battalion. The buildings hit by suspected satchel charges were the MP club and a building housed by members of the 173rd Magineers and the Casper Platoon. Reports from the MP personnel indicated that enemy personnel (2-3) were seen running through the area after the explosions.
- 2. No enemy contact or damage was made in the 4th Battalion area during the course of the night. Local security on the tower and bunker directly behind the Bottalion area consisted of a five man outpost at this position.
- 3. Total casualties were 2 KHA's and 5 WHA's. All personnel were from 173rd Engineers, Casper Platoon and one USAF EM. Reinforcements were positioned on 4th Battalion tower, 17th Field Hospital, and local security on each building.

s/ Maceo R. Dumas Jr.

t/ MACEO R. DUMAS JR. Major, Infantry Executive Officer

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MORTAR, SAGOTAGE, and SMALL ARMS FIRE

212215H MAR 69

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BR 451 454, Camp Radeliff, RVN

Approx 2022h5H MAR 69, BR 451 -h54, Camp Radeliff, RVN, an enemy force approx five (5) in number, threw Five (5) satchel charges and unknown amount of small arms fire into the B/50hth MP Bn company area. There were five (5) US Government building damaged. There were 2 KHA's and 4 WHA'S. An unknown sized enemy force fired approx 23 - 82mm mortar rounds at D Trp, 2/lst Cav, 1st Cav Div. Causing slight and moderate damage to two (2) U.S. helicopters and slight damage to one (1) U.S. billets There were no injuries to U.S. personnel. An unknown size enemy force fired 5 -82mm mortar rounds into the 586th Sig Co., causing damage to three (3) U.S. Government Twhicles (2% ton, 3/4 ton, 4 ton). All three (3) vehicles received moderate damage. Those were no injuries to U.S. personnel. Return fire resulted in unknown enemy losses.

There were no 504th personnel injured. The only injuries were to 173d personnel. All buildings demaged were property of 504th MP Co B.

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After Action Report

ro Commanding Officer 1st En (Mech), 50th Inf ATO 96250

FROM Commanding Officer

DATE 27 March 1969 CMT1 586th Signal Company SFC Alwin/gap/2575

APO 96294

The following is the After Action Report on enemy activities on 20 March 1969

CASUALTHES: None.

PROPERTY DIMAGES

 $1 - 2\frac{1}{2}$ Ton Truck - Ten flat tires and shrapnel holes in body 1 - 3/4 Ton Trailer - Two flat tires and shrapnel hole in

1 - 1 Ton Truck - Two flat tires and shrapnel holes in body

The 586th Signal Company recieved one round of 82mm mortar fire at BR461474, on 20 March 1969, at 2240 Hrs. The company immediately went on a Red Alert status unnill' 0130 Hrs.

> John R. Muncaster t/ JOHN R. MUNCASTER 1Lt., SigC Commanding

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