

DAILY SUMMARIES FROM 1-50th DAILY STAFF JOURNAL (DA Form 1594)

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1 Oct 1969. At 0738 hours, C/2-1 Cav found fresh diggings 4-1 man foxholes with out OHC not more than 48 hours old. Vic AN994243. At 093 hours, Scouts/1-50 found a base camp area with 5 foxholes without OHC for 8 personnel vicinity AN965227. At 1122 hours, Scouts/1-5- received SA fire from their east vic BN0024, spotted 6-8 VC requested gunships. At 1322 hours, C/2-1 CAV detained 1 male 49 years old found him hiding in a hootch in woods vic AN981242, later revealed as a VC. At 1340 hours, C/2-1 Cav received SA fire from their SA fired up the area found one VC WIA he states 3 more are in the area vic AN981242. At 1623 hours, C/2-1 Cav extracted from CA. During this period there were a total of 3 patrols both mechanized and foot resulting in 2 VC CIA. There were a total of 2 ambushes conducted with negative results.

2 Oct 1969. At 0825 hours A/1-50 conducted a CA vic AN776396 LZ COLD. At 0935 hours, A/1-50 found 12 bunkers with 1 ' OHC well constructed would accommodate approximately 507 personnel were destroyed. At 1130 hours A/1-50 found a hootch complex (5) well constructed of bamboo & straw size 5'x10' fresh indications, pigs in pens and cultivated fields vic An764383 all were destroyed. At 1100 hours, A/1-50(LOH) found some hootches in thick vegetation vic AN770388. At 1320 hours, A/1-50 (Guns) found 8 bunkers 7'x8' with 1 ' OHC very fresh, several sleeping platforms wood cutting about 1-2 days old, many high speed trails and LOH's took AW fire same location. Air strike put guns expended. vic grid AN760348. At 1455 hrs A/1-50 (AF) conducted an airstrike on grid AN760398 first A/C in crashed 1 of 2 pilots ejected safely the other pilot burned in aircraft. C&C aircraft lowered rope to the ejected pilot and lifted him out to A/1-50 LZ conducted CA to recover remains of dead pilot. At 1515 hrs, A/1-50 PZ 1515 hrs (AN775396) to LZ (AN755373). LZ closed 1537 hrs. Pilot's body located t 1540 hours and recovered. A/1-50 extracted to LZ Sandy, PZ 1722 hrs, PX cleared at 1735 hrs. Closed LZ Sandy at 1748 hrs. Pilot's body extracted to LZ Betty dustoff arriving at 1800 hrs. At 1510 hrs, Scouts/1-50 found a trail approximately 6-8 personnel travelled it vic AN944235 vic AN944242 another trail approximately 2 hrs old indication of many personnel travelling it. following 1st trail. At 2220 hrs Forward TOC 1-50 2d perimeter had 2-3 land mines explode area was shot up negative results vic AN870266. There were a total of 2 ambushes conducted. There were a total of 3 patrol dispatched during this period with negative results.

3 Oct 1969. At 0845 hours, C/2-1 Cav spotted 3 VC with packs & weapons entering village. Pursued VC, village people warned the VC and they fled vic AN998308. Negative results. At 0955 hours, Scouts (Seahorse) spotted 4 VC vic BN021263. At 0957 hours, Scouts/1-50th found 6- 1 man foxholes dug last night vic AN955225 destroyed. At 1108 hours C/2-1 Cav heard 20-30 rds AK fire from the east. Do not believe fire was directed at them Vic AN998308. At 1118 hours, Scouts/1-50 destroyed 8-10 cultivated fields consisting of beans, squash, & tobacco all fields were very well kept. One field had a shovel and water pail in it as though VC had just left vic BN004248. At 1320 hours, C/2-1 Cav IPW picked up 4 females each with 1 child vic AN998308. At 1600 hours, Scouts/1-50 received SA fire from 400 meters to west from 4-5 VC. Returned fire resulting in 1 VC KIA found in area of contact also found in hootch flip flops, mess and aid kit. Documents behind loose panel in wall with film (negatives) advertising and school papers and aid bag. Vic AN949252. Also detained 5 males 45 yrs old and 1 male 17 yrs old. All extracted. At 1745 hours, Scouts/1-50 received sniper fire from the east vicinity AN954247. During this period there were 2 patrols dispatched. There were a total of 4 ambushes conducted during this period.

4 Oct 1969. At 1132 hours, C&C/1-50th Inf spotted bunkers on ridgeline vic An917298 air strike put in 2/A/1-50th to be inserted after air strike result of A/5-12 bunkers destroyed 2 secondary explosions 2 small fires burning. At 1320 hours, A/1-50th Inf was CA'd vic AN923294 LZ cold. Extracted 1645 hrs back to LZ Sandy negative results. At 1515 hours, Scouts/1-50th Inf found a bunker with steel reinforced OHC 10'x12' and 10 small bunkers 8'x3' with 2' OHC. Inside large bunker found canteens, several AK47 rds, 150 lizards 1 '-2' long, limes, salt, tea, corn, beans, cooking utensils, chop sticks, dishes, aid bag, and wood plain with metal blades, saws, airmatteress, 6 GI socks insect repellent and 20 gallons of water in poncho. vic Grid BN0520. Bunkers were blown up 2 loads of zippo expended in area also destroyed 2 acres of beans. There were a total of 5 patrol dispatched during this period. During this period a total of 2 ambushes were conducted with negative results.

5 Oct 1969. 3/C/1-50th Inf at 0110 hours reports VN at Bin Lam receiving small arms fire from their south out of village. Large light on whiskey put on that location. Negative casualties. At 0137 hours, A/1-50th received approx 8 rounds of mortar fire from the north west 3 inside perimeter 5 inch in the wire, LZ Sherry also received 5 rounds mortar fire at the same time. negative casualties fired counter mortar fire, small arms, 50 cal dusters & M60's. At 0155 hours, 3/C/1-50th reports VN receiving small arms fire again from village to the south. Also received B-40 fire VN moved out of compound into village and engaged VC results of actin 2 VC KIA, 1 AK47 CIA. Friendly 6 WIA 2 KIA and lost 4 M1 rifles and 1 BAR. Contact ended approximately 0330 hours. At 0200 hours, TOC/1-50th received report from LZ Sherry they have a radio on VC push with an interpreter. VC state LZ Sandy to be attacked from all 4 sides also an american mechanized unit will be hit. VC frequency 37.25 no action was received. At 0335 hours, 3/C/1-050th requested urgent dustoff for wounded VN dustoff completed 0410 hours. At 0413 hours, 3/C/1-50th reported compound receiving sniper fire from village to south negative casualties. At 0830 hours, TOC/1-50th Air strike conducted vic AN0520 on bunker complex bunkers destroyed 1 secondary explosion. At 0900 hours, 3/C/1-50th reports from Action last night 1 civilian KIA 1 civilian WIA, 2 B-40 rockets CIA, 4 RPG 7 CIA, 12 chicom grenades CIA, 1 set of VC web gear, 1 satchel charge, 2-3' bangalore torpedoes also CIA also blood trails were found. Tracker team requested to follow trails. At 1120 hours, Scouts/1-50th found and destroyed approx 5 acres of vegetables vic BN0021 returning to FOB. At 1156 hours, Scouts/1-50th following trail of 6 personnel 2 hours old. At 1225 hours, Scouts/1-50th dismounted and chasing 6-8 personnel who ran when element approached, detained 5 males approx 25 yrs old. vic An941231. 2 were running 2 were hiding in rice paddy, 1 hiding in tunnel. At 1313 hours, Scouts/1-50th reports C&C received 1 round of SA fire. Area searched with negative results. During this period a total of 3 ambushes were conducted.

6 Oct 1969. At 0950 hours, C/2-1st Cav received small arms fire from the north one individual observed running. Was apprehended in a hootch with 2 other people AN930250. At 1045 hours, Scouts/1-50th detained one male 14 yrs who ran from patrol AN946225. At 1050 hours C/2-1st Cav detained 3 males 50, 45, 40 yrs of age possible decoy for VC AN9320250. At 1125 hours, C/201st Cav US advisors with 888 RF Co has 5 male 4 female with 1 child each detainees. Wants to extract them to Phan Thiet for interrogation. AN927257. At 1130 hours, Scouts/1-50th detained 2 personnel AN927257. At 1315 hours, C/2-1st Cav 65 A received small arms fire. spotted 6 personnel running 1 with weapon returned fire. At 1340 hours, Scouts 1-50 detained one male 17 yrs. scar on stomach from possible wound. At 1520 hours, 65A with 888 RF Co found ammo can under ground with 3 grenades, 2 US 1 VC, 5 blasting caps, assorted small arms ammo (30 Cal & M-16) 3 batteries AN942243 all destroyed. At 1635 hours, A/2/1-50th found a bunker 4'x4'x10' OHC of RR steel dire, & rocks (destroyed) vic AN836226. During this period the 888 RF Co conducted a CA by CH47 into AN946225. C/2-1st Cav provided blocking and security to the north. Scouts/1-50th provided blocking & security to the south. Element went in at 0805 hours, LZ cold. During this period there were a total of 5 ambushes.

7 Oct 1969. At 0040 hours, Scouts/1-50th ambush spotted 2 VC with 9VC following let the 2 point walk through the ambush position and initiated the ambush on the 9 with claymores frags and small arms. VC were travelling from west to east. 3 VC were armed with AK47 and 9mm pistol. Scouts reinforcing ambush and swept the ambush area results j2 VC KIA, 1 VC WIA & CIA. 2 AK47 magazines, canteens & rice CIA. Vic AN968242. At 0154 hours, Scouts/1-50th returned to FOB with WIA VC. Shadow aircraft com on station. dustoff called for WI VC. At 0402 hours, Toc-1-50th received information from 55 MI detachment given by VC WIA. Base camp located AN9824 with 30 personnel. Shadow was called he opened in are for approx 45 min went off station and 105mm, 8" and 4.2 fired up the area with unknown results. Scouts to sweep area at first light. At 0720 hours, Scouts/1-50th found a bunker complex with fresh footprints leading east away from area personnel running AN980240. At 1000 hours, Scouts/1-50th found more bunkers 1 with VC armed with AK47 VC fled upon scouts 1 man hit in the leg and 1 man hit in the hand. Blackhawk aircraft dusted them off. Area swept & found 1 rucksack and some papers. Gunships fired up the area. Vic AN9824. Clothing and other items found around bunker complex. 1220 hours, Scouts/1-50th hit a mine blew off 4 road wheels 2 personnel slightly injured. VTR dispatched to scene track recovered and brought back to FOB. The mine did not penetrate the hull of the track. Mine was pressure detonated and 5x10' off the road t AN9824. At 1945 hours, A/1-50th 3d plat C Co engaged unknown force outside the wire had a secondary explosion. light moving away from wire, was fired up again and got another secondary explosion vic AN858188, negative casualties, negative receiving fire. During this period there were a total of 3 ambushes conducted at the following locations by the designated units. Results 2 VC KIA, 1 VC WIA & CIA, 1 9mm pistol with ammo. CIA, Rice & AK47 magazine CIA. Also attach plans for VC opns in this area personnel were from the 450 LFC. 3/A/1-50th AN835229 3/C/1-50th AN865187

C/2-1st Cav AN950317. In the area of AN9824. There were several bunker complexes found indicating a lot of VC activity in this area.

8th Oct 1969. At 0945 hours, 2/A/1-50th found 4 bunkers 4''X6''x4'' with OHC one bunker was a CP bunker. A well 6' deep with the rocket from M072 Law was found in the same area. Also two B-40 rockets AN832233. All were destroyed. At 1055 hours, A/1-50th conducted a CA AN896344, LZ Green CA was conducted in the area of air trike. 5 VN civilians were wounded. Dustoff called. At 1145 hours A/1-50 detained 2 detainees found a fox hole with 2 rucksacks in it also found a AK 47 & 1 box of ammo vic AN893345. At 1245 hours, A/1-50 detained 3 personnel 2 males, 50 yrs & 60 yrs old 1 female 40 yrs old 2 males extracted for further interrogation. At 1345 hours, A/1-50 found a US carbine AN895345. At 1510 hours, A/1-50 was extracted and returned to LZ Sandy. At 1900 hours, A/1-50 fired HE into the area where the M72 & B40 rockets were found and had 3 secondary explosions. There were a total of 4 ambushes conducted during this period.

9th Oct 1969. At 0850 hours, C/2-1 Cav found a mine in a mud puddle on ???. Mine was composed of 40-50 lbs of VN TNT. Was blown in place leaving a crater 4' deep, 6' wide and 7' long was pressure detonated at AN934267. At 1045 hours, C/2-1st CAV found a mine on ???. Composed of VN TNT was blown in place leaving a crater 6' deep 6' long & 6' wide pressure detonated or electrically operated at AN917237. B/1-50th Inf closed LZ Betty, 1530 hours dor stand down in preparation of coming operations. During this period there were a total of 4 ambush conducted with negative results.

10 Oct 1969. At 0250 hours, 3/C/1-50th Inf heard 5 explosions in village to south of their location vic AN858188. At 1107 hours, C/1-50th Inf conducted a CA in a joint operation with the 888 RF Co vic AN785205. At 1230 hours, C/1-50th found a bunker 5'x4' with OHC 1' thick destroyed. vic AN786215. At 1545 hours, C/1-50th were extracted from CA. Neg results. At 2021 hours, 2/A/1-50th ambushed had movement to their rear. fired up the area had M-79 & SA fire returned area checked out with neg results. During this period there were a total of 3 ambushes conducted with neg results.

11 Oct 1969. At 0025 hours, 3/C/1-50 received 60mm mortar fire on an azimuth of 310 . The rounds fell 200 meters short of FOB. Neg casualties. at AN861195. At 0930 hrs, C/1-50th complited extracting 4th plat from Whiskey Mt. At 0930 hrs, B/1-50th completed insertion of 4th plat units Whiskey Mt. At 1955 hours, A/1-50th firing HI with 81 mm received 7-10 secondary explosions at AN825246. There were a total of 3 ambushes conducted with neg results.

12 Oct 1969. At 0045 hours, 3/A/1-50th Inf had one man slightly wounded in the head while on ambush location vic AN852227. Dustoff called. Dustoff complete 0100 hrs. Ambush was returned to LZ Sandy. Enemy casualties unknown. At 0945 hours 2/A/1-50th Inf found a VC bag with a hand drawn map some papers and a chicom grenade vic An817244. Grenade was blown in place other items extracted. At 1410 hours, 2/A/1-50th Inf found four graves vic AN833241. Graves dug up were approximately 1 week old personnel appeared to be KBA. At 1540 hours, 3/C/1-50th Inf received small arms fire from the village to the west & east of their location. No friendly casualties. fire was returned with neg results 1 female and 2 children wounded in fire fight. Dustoff called vic grid AN858188. There were a total of 3 ambushes conducted.

13 Oct 1969. At 0903 hours, B/1-50th conducted a CA at AN767343. LZ #3 LZ green 65 packs PZ-LZ Betty. During this period of operation there were a total of 8 ambushes conducted.

14 Oct 1969. At 0607 hours, 3/C/1-50th received 10 rds of 60mm mortar fire from two different azimuths 360 & 60 fell outside of wire neg casualties or damage range to mortar position unknown vic AN858188. At 0815 hours, 3/C/1-50th reported their counterparts (VN) reported that the VC entered the village about 2300 hrs last night and kidnapped 3 males ages 40 yrs and went west AN858188. At 0840 hours, C/2-1st Cav tank hit a mine BN006344 neg casualties bank burned up. At 0905 hours, 3/C/1-50th received sniper fire from AN841189 neg casualties. 2d plat A Co notified to stand by as a reaction force. 3 slicks and 2 guns alerted. At 0958 hours 2/A/1-50th conducted CA as a reaction force for 3/C/1-50 AN841188 LZ closed 1010 hrs PZ LZ Sandy. At 1010 hours, C/2/1st Cav found a 25 pound mine in center of road with the detonator on the west side of road AN9320262 was disarmed and took to LZ Nora if blown it would have left crater 3'x3'x4' estimated. At 1218 hours, 2/A/1-50th one man tripped an M-26 booby trap AN841188 results 1 KIA C&C dusted man to Phan Thiet. At 1219 hours, 2/A/1-50th found an ammo cache in bunker contained 1 mauser rifle. claymore mines, 1 ammo can full of M-79 rounds including 2 CS rds 1 case of M-16 ammo and magazines various other small arms ammo also new silk brownish gray uniforms. 1 Rucksack with 30 cal ammo

& BAR magazines also rice and metal punji sticks were in bunker rifle and rucksack extracted also 1 lbs of documents in ammo cans extracted. All other ammo destroyed in place. At 1225 hours, 2/A/1-50th hit another M-26 booby trap AN841188 results 1 KIA, 3 WIA (Plat Ldr). At 1250 hours, 2/A/1-50 hit a 105mm booby trap AN841188 results 6 WIA. (Bn CO & A Co CO). At 1438 hours, 2/A/1-50th was extracted from booby trap area returned to LZ Sandy. Area was shop up with 135 rds of 105 mm & 48 rds of tiger a total of 12 secondary explosions was a result of shelling. B & C companies continued to operate in their respective axis with negative results OPNS AW FRAGO 18-69. During this period there were a total of 3 ambushes conducted with negative results.

15 Oct 1969. At 0815 hours, A/1-50 departed LZ Sandy in route to LZ Betty, for standdown closed LZ Betty 1051. At 1050 hours, C/2-1st Cav found a M-26 half buried in the ground with the pin pulled AN940278. M-26 was destroyed in place. Neg casualties. At 1115 hours, C/2-1st Cav found a mine consisting of 15 lbs of VN gunpowder in center of road with detonator on the west side of the road batteries were made in Siagon. Try to detonate but gunpowder was too wet gunpowder was spread over the area. AN937274. At 1915 hours, TOC/1-50 Seahorse 23 while checking area had an explosion outside of the aircraft did not know the grid or what the explosion was. He returned to Phan Thiet to find neg damage to plane, later determined it was RF Arty fire. At 1938 hours, Scouts/1-50 reported RF's had contact with approximately 2 squads of VC. VC broke contact and fled to the east AN910208. At 2005 hours, Scouts/1-50 conducted thunder run into general area of contact back to the east and returned to their FOB expended approx 2000 rd 50 cal and 2400 rds, M-16 ammo neg results. B & Co continued to operate in their respective axis IAW FRAGO 18-69. Clover leaf search and destroy opns conducted with neg results. During this period there were a total of 7 ambushes conducted with neg results.

16 Oct 1969. At 0807 hours, at AN841188 C&C conducted a PSYOPS mission. At 0820 hours, C/1-2 requested dustoff for a VN woman age 30. She stepped on a possible anti personnel mine. She had sever leg wounds. AN 974320. At 1050 hours, C/2-1st Cav reported CS dropped on a VN formation at LZ Nora by Huey Chopper. Later going N to S. Shot up area W of Nora. They think VN woman who was dusted off early may have been fraged by a chopper. At 1500 hours, 3/C/1-50th took sniper fire from 270 farmer's coming out. FAC checked out area with negative results. 3d plat sent a patrol and swept the area with negative finding. During this period there were a total of 3 ambushes conducted with neg results.

17 Oct 1969. At 0921 hrs, 1/C/2-1st Cav found dud 105mm rd, AN9220, which they destroyed. At 1009 hours, C/2-1st Cav reported sniper rds from BN003305, neg results, RP sweeping area. At 1055 hours, C/1-50th found 3 bunkers, 1 empty AK47 magazine, 3 dud 20mm, AN738300, destroyed. At 1124 hours, 3/C/2-1st Cav made contact with 3 VC at AN995325, results 1 VC KIA, M-2 CIA. At 1245 hours, C/2-1st Cv found 3 bunkers with mess kit, clothes, BN000327, also hunting knife, plastic bags used for mine. At 1340 hours, C/2-1st found 2 more bunkers (1) shovel without a handle, 2 batteries, ammo pouch with letters 2-30 rds banana clips, M-2, 1 U entrenching tool. At 1600 hours, C/2-1st Cav found a dud 155 rd at BN000322 blew in place. At 2200 hours 3/C/1-50th ambush received 2-3 rds sniper fire. 1 N/P KIA, AN864180, dusted off. There were 8 patrols. There were 5 ambushes.

18 Oct 1969. At 0836 hours, 1/50th Inf found (2) 105mm booby traps, AN894354, blew in place. At 1140 hours, C/2-1st Cav found a 155mm mine, AN914233 blew in place. At 1320 hours, A/1-50th found (1) M-26 #721727, (1) binoculars, #SN95933, (1) walkie talkie #SN 40660, AN804385. At 1343 hours, C/2-1st Cav found FOB site, (4) spider holes, eating utensils, AN938193. At 1440 hours, B/1-50th found campfire site, shirt, poncho AN780344. At 1530 hours, 1-50th found booby trap, blew in place AN829381. There were 8 patrols. There were 6 ambushes.

19 Oct 1969. At 1012 hours, C/2-1st Cav reported sniper fire, BN007324, sweep area, with negative results. At 1205 hours, C/2-1st Cav found uncompleted bunker BN009302, destroyed. At 1230 hour, C/2-1st Cav found 5 bunkers, AN937168, destroyed. At 1505 hours, A/1-50th found fresh lager site, 1-2 days old AN815385. There were 9 patrols. There were 4 ambushes.

20 Oct 1969. At 1157 hours, C/2-1st Cav reported that helicopter took heavy ground fire AN958318, sent reaction force. At 1417 hours, 888 RF Co destroyed (6) bunkers, burned (12) hootches captured (2) VC who were later determined to be part of 430 local force, AN850187. At 1500 hours, C/2-1st Cav, thank hit a mine at BN015352 command detonated neg casualties. There were 12 patrols. There were 4 ambushes.

21 Oct 1969. At 0830 hours, Scouts/1-50th Inf destroyed 1 hootch with subbasement having 2 firing ports, at AN847196. At 0912 hours, A/1-50th Inf found 5 bunkers caps of 8 men AN834384, destroyed. At 0913 hours, Scouts/1-50th Inf found 2 batteries with wire leading to table, blew hootch away without further checking at AN847197. At 1002 hours, Scouts/1-50th Inf detained female hiding in tunnel at AN848196. At 1056 hours, Scouts/1-50th Inf received sniper, AN836197 returned fire, sweep area, neg results. At 1321 hours, Scouts/1-50th Inf detained 8 VN at AN840188. At 1652 hours, Scouts/1-50th Inf reported that RF KIA by sniper fire at AN860198, sweep area with neg results. There were 13 patrols. There were 2 ambushes.

22 Oct 1969. At 1135 hours, 1-50th C&C spotted 1 VC, AN841188, called 192d for reaction force. At 1520 hours, C/2-1st found 4 bunkers, 2 detonators for B-40, Chicom grenade, NVA dry cell battery. 5 more bunkers, 1 hunting knife, destroyed at AN946167. At 2106 hours, Scouts/1-50th received 4 rds 82mm at FOB site, artillery fired on AN841188. At 211 hours, Scouts/1-50th received SA and 8 rds 82mm at AN852194, ambush pulled back in.

23 Oct 1969. At 0200 hours, A/1-50th Inf spotted 2-6 VN in starlight outside of perimeter. Claymore was blown with unknown results. At 0700 hours, Scouts/1-50th Inf expended 36 rds or arty at AN863197 with unknown results. At 0900 hours, S-3/1-50th Inf while firing arty into grid AN8419 had 2 secondary explosions. At 1000 hours, C/1-50th Inf found 9 bunkers at AN890358. 10' x 4' x 5' with 3' OHC. At 1011 hours, C/1-50th Inf found a total of 25 bunkers at AN890358 of various size largest 15' x 3' x 4' with overhead cover. At 1030 hours, Scouts/1-50th Inf found 3 boobytraps 105mm rigged to a smoke grenade fuze with trip wire at AN841189. Blown in place. At 1050 hours, Scouts/1-50th Inf found a 60mm booby trap with trip wire the boobytrap was blown in place at AN841189. At 1052 hours, Scouts/1-50th Inf found a C Ration can with trip wire the can was full of powder at AN841190. It was blown in place. At 1106 hours, Scouts/1-50th Inf found an RPG-7 buried in the ground with trip wire at AN841190. It was blown in place. At 1137 hours, Scouts/1-50th Inf received fire from 300-400 meters west of Bin Lam from a hootch vic AN847190. Proceeded to area found 1 81mm rd under a wood pile neg personnel. At 1155 hours, B/1-50th Inf found a middle aged woman wearing blue shirt & black pants was wounded at AN836199 was not wounded by friendly fire Medivac called. At 1410 hours, C/2-1st Cav found 1 US rucksack containing 8 US canteens 5 with water, 7 US canteen covers and 5 US pistol belts at AN965208. At 1420 hours, Scouts/1-50th Inf detained 4 women 1 man and a child that were in the same area where received sniper fire early in the morning. There were 10 patrols with results as indicted in summary. There were 5 ambushes conducted with negative results.

24 Oct 1969. At 0935 hours, C/2-1st Cav found 6 holes 5' deep appeared to go through the VC had started a bunker complex 3 days old at AN981283. At 1050 hours, B/1-50th Inf found smoke grenade with safety pin and trip wire unknown explosive. inside AN832188 blew in place. At 1135 hours, B/1-50th Inf found an M-1 destroyed 11 PRC batteries, a homemade boobytrap and 1 smoke grenade blew in place AN837190. At 1136 hours, C/2-1st Cav found a heavily travelled trail with foot prints going both ways. BN00397. At 1138 hours, C/2-1st Cav found used trail used recently BN010302. At 1145 hours, C/2-1st Cav found 15 rocks fighting positions 1'-1' high 3' long formed a perimeter BN010303. At 1155 hours, B/1-50th Inf found 1-60mm rds, 4-105 rds smoke grenades & nylon wire AN838191. At 1200 hours, B/1-50th Inf found a commo wire rigged to claymore & blasting caps AN831091. At 1213 hours, B/1-50th Inf Kit carson & RF hit boobytrap AN835179 urgent dustoff requested. Boobytrap was homemade with camouflage wire. At 1300 hours, B/1-50th Inf found M-26 boobytraps with trip wire 1 flashlight with wires running into it. 2 60mm rds 1 claymore (LOP101510-68) 1 body punctured couldn't determine age or means of death at AN835179. At 1305 hours, B/1-50th Inf found 2 small bunker like tunnels with small bag of documents AN835179. At 1515 hours, C/1-50th Inf found a pile of wood cut about a week ago, old kahi uniforms, campside. AN863358 sandbags, Poncho, rice bowl & medicine vial all destroyed. At 1522 hours, C/2-1st Cav found 9- 1 to 2 man bunkers with 1' OHC, 4 flashlights batteries 1 US canteen 1 hoe, 1 bag, letter type paper thrown around area. 3 weeks old bunkers were destroyed all other stuff brought in AN992290. At 1550 hours, Toc/1-50th Inf LZ Lance was completely deactivated all personnel & equipment back to home bases. At 1635 hours, C/1-50th Inf found 4 bunkers 15' x 5' x 5' with 3' OHC, 1 month old 3 power charges for B040 and small VN helmet at AN862359. At 1922 hours C/2-1st Cav received 3-82mm rds in RF compound LZ Nora from vic AN980283 neg casualties arty fired. At 2200 hours C/2-1st Cav received 15-82 mm rds at LZ Nora from approx 350° to 050° at 150-200 meters neg casualties arty expended and spooky expended. There were 12 patrols conducted with results as outlined in summary. There were 6 ambushes.

25 Oct 1969. At 0801 hours, C/2-1st Ca while conducting road clearing ops were ambushed AN942329. Results 2 WIA, 1KIA, 2 APC's received B-40 rockets hits 1 tank received 2 B-40 rocket hits C&C dusted personnel off. At 0840 hours, A/1-50th Inf initiated contact with 3 VC results 1 m-1 carbine CIA and blood trail VC fled north 1 bunker 6'x12' small amount of food & medical supplies all destroyed. AN902380. 81mm mortar firing AN900386. At 1011 hours Scouts/1-50th Inf received fire from NW of FOB neg casualties. At 1012 hours, C/2-1st Cav while conducting sweep ran over a hootch one VN KIA. At 1120 hours, Scouts/1-50th Inf found a tunnel 6' long threw a concussion grenade in it and collapsed it AN845206. At 1205 hours, C/2-1st Cav RF at LZ Nora took small arms fire and mortar fire approx 15 rds 82mm from AN960270 Neg casualties. At 1341 hours, B/1-50th Inf found boobytrap 4' long cylinder type 1' wide blew in place AN837187. At 1355 hours, B/1-50th Inf found another boobytrap 105mm rd had two sticks to mark it about 3' high crossed and tried. AN837187. At 1417 hours, B/1-50th Inf found a chicom grenade with trip wire. Blew in place AN837187. At 1435 hours, B/1-50th Inf found a trip wire leading to an unknown charges blew in place left crater 2'x2' AN837187. At 1455 hours, Scouts/1-50th Inf received intel VN in Bin Lam of 1 VC Squad at AN850185 log bird proceeded to area. 2 VC spotted. At 1505 hours, C&C/1-50th Inf spotted 3 VC same area Log Bird found 2 VC 1 with poncho 1 with weapon scouts deployed to area. Guns called area cleared politically for firing guns expended. At 1610 hours, Scouts/1-50th Inf found 1 m-1 rifle in bunker. Zippo expended in one bunker then another in same area. Found 2 VC bodies in bunkers 1 male, 1 female also pistol belt, 2 clips M-1 ammo, poncho & toilet articles. Also found about 100 gallons of rice AN837217. At 1715 hours, Scouts/1-50th Inf received sniper fire from 100 meters NE of location AN837217. At 1716 hours, Scouts/1-50th Inf found a 20mm booby trap with trip wire. Blew in place AN837217. There were 12 patrols conducted resulting in 1 friendly WIA, 2 VC KIA, 1 M-1 rifle & 1 M-1 carbine CIA. There were ambushes conducted with negative results.

26 Oct 1969. At 0739 hours, A/1-50th Inf extracted at AN893358 returned to LZ Betty. At 0800 hours, C/??? hit a booby trap grenade at AN903187. 1 man received shrapnel in his foot & back. Negative damage to track. Dustoff called. C&C picked up wounded man. At 0900 hours, C/1-50th Inf extracted at AN893348 returned to LZ Betty. At 0953 hours, S-3/1-50th Inf fire base Andell AN893348 disbanded personnel returned to LZ Betty. At 1017 hours, B/1-50th Inf found a smoke grenade booby trap with trip wire AN834187. At 1021 hours, B/1-50th Inf found a chicom grenade booby trap with trip wire at AN834187. At 1147 hours, B/1-50th Inf found snoop flare & tunnel with trap door on hinge 1' opening capacity of 3 man AN833187. At 1223 hours, B/1-50th Inf found 1 tunnel by ATREO 15' long 3'x3' had 2 entrances with empty medicine bottles, 1 bottle of linnemint, empty grenade containers all was destroyed AN833187. All was destroyed, at AN833187. At 1400 hours, Scouts/1-50th Inf received sniper fire at AN852203 negative casualties. At 1440 hours Scouts/1-50 received small arms fire from 8-10 VC AN852201 fire came from the north in tree line neg casualties. At 1606 hours, S-3/1-50th Inf, Napalm drop AN835190. There were 17 patrols conducted with negative results as outlined in the summary. There were 4 ambushes conducted.

27 Oct 1969. Two napalm drops were conducted at AN8418. No other incidents of any significance took place. There were 3 ambushes conducted with negative results.

28 Oct 1969. At 0720 hours, B/1-50 while in daylight ambush position heard voices and received sniper fire from AN822196. The area was checked out with negative results. At 0825 hours, S-3/1-50th Inf, airstrike put in at AN8320. At 1205 hours, B/1-50th Inf found 2 bunkers at AN831225 destroyed both. At 1240 hours, Scouts/1-50th Inf found 3 squads size night positions at AN840209. At 1358 hours, C/1-50th Inf were deployed to area of ranger contact at ZT248423. At 1430 hours, B/1-50th Inf found and destroyed 3 rockets from F-100 jet air strikes at AN831225. At 1542 hours, C/2-1st Cav spotted a heavy moke in area of BN025245. Artillery was fired with unknown results. At 1758 hours, C/1-50th Inf were extracted from area of Ranger contact with negative results at ZT248442. There were 5 patrols and 1 combat assault conducted with negative results. There were 3 ambushes.

29 Oct 1969. At 0828 hours, 4.2 plat at AN920200 found and destroyed 1 105mm round. At 0858 hours, Scouts/1-50th Inf at AN844188 found and destroyed a chicom grenade boobytrap with a trip wire. At 1214 hours, a PF plat at BN055162 spotted 1 VC company a FAC checked the area. He had negative sighting of VC however at BN055167 he sighted a slit trenches, foxholes and a large cave. At 1508 hours, A/1-50th Inf at jBN010290 found a 5 year old boy. He was evacuated to BSB Nora. At 2003 hours, 1st plat B/1-50th Inf received 5-6 rds from AN844176 arty called. At 2010 hours, FSB

Nor received 4 rounds 60mm from vic AN975285. Neg casualties Arty was called and spooky came on station. There were 5 ambushes conducted during this period.

30 Oct 1969. At 0953 hours, B/1-50th Inf found 1 chicom grenade, 8B-30's, 1 poncho covering a one man position, the grenade and position were destroyed. At 1040 hours, B/1-50th Inf 2 d plat at AN837189 found 1 bunker containing a broken carbine, 2 US helmets and 1-105mm. They destroyed them. At 1310 hours, A/1-50th Inf & C/1-1st Cav reported possible AK-47 fires at AN9732. At 1340 hours, A/1-50th Inf reports AK-47 rounds. It has VC/NVA in front of them taking them under fire and chasing them to the west. At 1425 hours, A/1-50th Inf policed up 6 detainees, the women will be given to the MAT team at LZ Nora. At 1501 hours, A/1-50th Inf 1st plat patrol at AN834188 found 4-55 gal drums, 1 empty, 1 full of water, 1 had 30 lbs of rice and 1 had 10 lbs of rice, also there were 2 ponchos all were destroyed. At 1506 hours, B/1-50th Inf at AN830188 had 1 man hit a booby trap. They requested an urgent dustoff 1 litter, a man had multiple frag wounds to the legs. At 1524 hours, A/1-50th Inf at AN980315 engaged 1 VC with a M-16 wearing a blue shirt and black pants. They detained 10 women and gave them to MacV personnel at LZ Nora. The VC didn't return and had negative results at AN975315. At 1612 hours, C/1-50th Inf 3d plat took fire from 2 different locations. They sent 4 PAC to recon to the SE. At 1920 hours, C/1-50th Inf, FOB site t BN033332. The 3d plat 300 meters out of their FOB received fire from 100 meters to their East and Northeast from 2 VC with AK-47. They received 3-60 rounds of fire. The 1st plat of their CP moved Northeast on a trail, they came to a thick area by 2 bunkers they had 1 rpg hit a tree next to one of the tracks. They proceeded to open up with their .50 cal. They chased the VC/NVA to the wood line and had a RPG hit in front of a track, they continued the chase and received more RPG hit in front of the track. At 2324 hours, C/2-1st Cav 3d plat hit a mine at AN908217, the results were 2 litter patients, 1 broken leg and 1 man in shock, dustoff was called.

31 Oct 1969. At 0910 hours, C/1-50th Inf found a bunker 5x5x4 in woodline. Approximately 1 month old was destroyed at BN038337. At 0920 hours, B/1-50th Inf found a 82mm round boobytrap with trip wire and smoke grenade fuse. It was blown in place AN843196. At 0950 hours, B/1-50th Inf found a bunker large enough for 6-8 personnel 3 x6' wide with 2 ' OHC in wooded area. Hasn't been used in about a week. It was destroyed at AN841198. At 1000 hours, C/2-1st Cav detained 2 males ages 25 & 50 yrs and 1 female 25 yrs. They were digging in a crater where a track was blown at an earlier date. 50 yrs old male was carrying NVA money. They were extracted. At 1010 hours, A/1-50th Inf one mortar tube was extracted from Whiskey Mt and inserted with CP group to provide close in mortar support. At 1045 hours, B/1-50th Inf found a bunker in a large cluster of bushes, large enough to accommodate 5 personnel had been used recently at AN838199. It was destroyed. Also a blasting cap in tact. It was found at same location. C/1-50th Inf at 1230 hours, found 12 bunkers 4'x5'x4' with 1 OHC. All were destroyed at BN035338. At 1230 hours, B/1-50th Inf spotted 1 VC with a weapon they pursued with negative results t AN845198. At 1500 hours, S-3 C&C went down due to loss of transmission fluid at AN9018. 200 meters south of Whiskey Mt. with Negative casualties. C&C retrieved. At 1603 hours, B/1-50th Inf found 3, 55 gallon drums 1 full of rice, 2 half full of rice at AN836204. There were 6 patrols conducted with negative results.