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At 1700 on 12 Apr, CAP 1-1-4 was informed by local civilians of a VC force at BT 20. The CAP moved to engage the enemy and was brought under SA and AWF. The CAP gained fire superiority and assaulted the enemy position killing 3 VC and capturing 1 AK-47. CAP 1-1-1, requested to assist in pursuing the enemy, spotted and engaged two VC while enroute, killing one. The link-up was completed and the CAPs continued the pursuit. Artillery was adjusted on withdrawal routes and the area was swept finding 4 more VC KIA and 1 additional AK-47. RESULTS: 8 VC KIA, 2 AK-47s.

At 2310 on 12 Apr, CAP 1-3-4 ambush at BT 628006, employed SAF in movement observed to their front. The area was swept and illuminated finding one VC KIA. RESULTS: 1 VC KIA.

On 14 Apr between 0300 - 1300H CAP 1-3-6, 1-3-8, 1-3-2, 1-3-9 began a coordinated sweep of their respective TAO's. CAP 1-3-6 started to sweep the area of grid BS 5290, and linked up w/CAP 1-3-8 at 1030H. The CAPs found and destroyed several old huts and bunkers. CAP 1-3-8 observed movement at BS 551903. The CAP fired automatic weapons and swept the area with negative results. RESULTS: Negative.

At 0845 on 14 Apr a CAP 1-3-2 ambush at BS 513889 observed two VC approximately 200 meters east of the ambush site. The ambush initiated SAF resulting in two VC KIA. The 2 VC were the point element of an estimated 10-15 man VC unit. While in pursuit of the larger unit, a PF from the CAP detonated an M16 mine, resulting in one USMC KIA, 1 PF KIA, 2 USMC WIA (M), 3 PF WIAE. The area was swept revealing rice and clothing, 1 cartridge belt, and medical gear. Documents and ID cards from the VC KIA were taken by PFs to District Headquarters. RESULTS: 1 USMC KIA, 1 PF KIA, 2 USMC WIA (M), 3 PF WIAE, 2 VC KIA.

On 14 Apr CAP 1-3-9, while participating in a coordinated sweep of their TAO in grid BS 5488-5288-5188, opened fire on VC fleeing the patrol at BS 545886, resulting in three VC KIA. The patrol continued the sweep and received SAF on 3 separate occasions. In one incident, 1 USMC was WIAE. In the second incident the CAP engaged and killed 3 VC. In the third incident 1 PF was KIA by sniper fire. RESULTS: 1 PF KIA, 1 USMC WIAE, 6 VC KIA.

At 1230 on 15 Apr, CAP 1-1-7 received intelligence from local civilians that a VC element was at BT 303294. The CAP called an artillery mission on the suspected location and swept the area finding 3 VC KIA.

At 1150 on 16 Apr one wounded Vietnamese female was brought to CAP 1-3-4 at BT 621017. She was tagged a VCS and evacuated. RESULTS: 1 VCS.

At 1830 on 14 Apr villagers reported approximately 40 VC moving to attack CAP 1-3-4 at BT 624003. A patrol, dispatched to check the area, made small arms contact with the enemy. A mortar mission was called and the area was swept with negative findings. A first light sweep found and destroyed one mine on a trail in the area. RESULTS: 1 mine (NFI) destroyed.

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At 1315 on : CAP 1-3-2 at BS 572906 had a VN female inform GAP of enemy mine. Results: Mine blown in place.

At 2120 on 27 Apr CAP 1-4-1 at BS 623802 spotted and fired upon approximately 6 VC moving east into hamlet. PFs initiated ambush killing 5 VC. Made sweep finding 5 VC KIA, and evacuated civilians from immediate area. RESULTS: 3 PFs WIA, 5 VC KIA.

At 2140 on 27 Apr CAP 1-2-5 at BT 398106, set off ambush did not receive any return fire from enemy moving south. Swept area and found 1 VC female KIA, 3 bundles Anti-American pamphlets. RESULTS: 1 VC female KIA, 3 bundles Anti-American leaflets.

At 0800 on 28 Apr CAP 1-3-1 at BS 692957 spotted approximately 6 VC in open rice paddy moving southwest. Element returned fire. Last man in element observed to be hit. RESULTS: 1 VC KIA.

At 0900 on 28 Apr CAP 1-4-1 at BS 608816 spotted 3 VC while on patrol in rice paddy. USMC and PFs opened up with SA wounding 1 VC. Patrol advanced 50-75 meters, received heavy SA fire pinning our element down. Returned fire with LAWS and SA. Called artillery and swept the area. Found 2 VC KIA, by arty and 1 VN house badly damaged. Point man received more SA fire. Called arty and swept area. RESULTS: 2 VC KIA, 1 VC WIA.

At 0900 on 28 Apr CAP 1-2-4 at BT 451076 picked up 1 VCS female as a result 4 more VCS were apprehended. 1 male VCS was turned loose as an innocent civilian. RESULTS: 4 VCS.

At 0930 on 28 Apr CAP 1-1-6 at 259259, while on patrol apprehended 1 VCS female without ID card. Female was found to have 1300\$VN. She admitted carrying VC payroll. CAP continued sweep, and apprehended 1 male VCS. Male VCS fled, Marines attempted recapture, PFs opened fire, killing male VC, then female attempted escape and PFs opened fire killing VC female. RESULTS: 2 VC KIA, 1300\$VN.

At 0700 on 28 Apr CAP 1-3-5 at BS 715945 held complete sweep of Van Tuong village. At 710945 observed 8 VC, opened fire killing 4 VC. While returning to their position received sniper fire from 700962, returned fire killing 1 VC, capturing 1 M-16. RESULTS: 5 VC KIA, 33 VCS, 1 M-16.

At 1430 on 28 Apr CAP 1-1-7 at BT 307295, a patrol received fire from 2 squads of VC. Element returned fire with SA and 81mm from the Biet Lop compound. Enemy broke contact heading NE. Element swept through area of contact finding 4 VC KIA, 1 AK-47, 10 M-26 grenades. RESULTS: 4 VC KIA, 1 AK-47, 10 M-26 grenades.

At 1630 on 28 Apr CAP 1-3-9 at BS 508867 had 1 VC come to position without weapon and turned himself in as Chieu Hoi. RESULTS: 1 Chieu Hoi.

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At 1800 on 29 Apr CAP 1-1-4 at BT 269193, while moving to CP, CAP received sniper fire which wounded the PF Honcho. Swept area with negative results. RESULTS: 1 PF WIAE.

At 1030 on 29 Apr CAP 1-1-4 at BT 259209, while on patrol received SA fire, CAP returned fire with SA. Arty mission called, enemy was observed fleeing W. Sweep of the area revealed the following results. RESULTS: 1 VC KIA, 6 60mm rounds, 1 M-16 magazine, 105mm round, M-16 carbine rifle, 1 medical kit, 1 M-2 magazine, NVA belt, documents, punji sticks.

At 1200 on 29 Apr CAP 1-1-1 at BT 287180, report of VIP payments made, VN boy, age 12 brought 1 B-40 round to CAP position. RESULTS: VIP payment 400 VN piastres, 1 B-40 round destroyed.

At 1200 on 29 Apr CAP 1-2-2 at BT 400144, CAP 1-2-2 paid 4 VN boys 3000 piastres for 10 60mm rounds, 10 M-14 mines, 1 fuse of 155, 1 claymore, 1 ChiCom grenade, 1 smoke and 1 WP grenade.

At 1800 on 29 Apr CAP 1-4-3 at BS 767833, while clearing a mined area around their Hill, found 1 dead VC, and 2 AK-47 magazines loaded, 1 cartridge belt, and 2 ChiCom grenades. VC wearing a pair of underwear and cartridge belt with 2 ChiCom grenades attached, wearing no shoes and no shirt. Blew ChiComs and cartridge belt, VC died of frag wounds. RESULTS: 2 AK-47 magazines, 1 cartridge belt, and 2 ChiCom grenades.

At 2100 on 29 Apr CAP 1-3-4A at BT 630006, firing 60mm H&I from 1-3-4A compound, secondary explosions, and heard SA ammo going off. Fire was started by secondary explosions.

At 2400 on 29 Apr CAP 1-4-2 at BS 776858, a VC element tripped 1 frag and 3 trip flares. CAP opened fire with M-79, M-60, frags and M-16's. Called 81mm illum and H&I. Checked out area and found 2 blood trails leading into underbrush and tunnels. RESULTS: Negative.

At 1320 on 30 Apr CAP 1-3-9 at BS 469871, while CAP was checking old compound for mines being removed by VC. 1 Marine tripped M-26 booby trap. Received shrapnel in lower abdomen. RESULTS: 1 USMC WIAE.

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CAP 1-3-2. 1 Noi Chanh surrendered at BS 547886, with his weapon and one grenade. RESULTS: 1 Noi Chanh, 1 IWC, 1 grenade.

CAP 1-3-5. A PF detonated a mine at BS 712961 as the CAP was setting up security in the area. Immediately thereafter the CAP received sniper fire from an unknown number of enemy. Fire was returned with organic weapons and 81mm mortars. RESULTS: 1 PF KIA, 2 PF's WIAE.

7 May

CAP 1-3-2. Approached 1 VCS, at BS 556892. RESULTS: 1 VCS.

CACO 1-4, and CAP 1-4-1. Participated with three PF platoons in a sweep of the area from grid BS 6283 to 6290. The sweep was conducted in response to local intelligence concerning the location of one VC squad. The CAP unit found one empty tunnel which was destroyed, 15 VCS apprehended.

CAP 1-2-3. A patrol found 1 French 36 sniper rifle in an old bunker at BT 444115. RESULT: 1 IWC.

8 May

CAP 1-3-1. One PF was ambushed and killed enroute to his home at BS 683988. A patrol from the CAP swept the area with negative results. RESULTS: 1 PF KIA, 1 M-2 carbine lost.

9 May

CAP 1-3-9. Patrol surprised 9-10 VC eating at BS 506877. The VC started to flee and the CAP opened fire killing 6 VC and capturing 4 chicom grenades and 1 M-26 grenade. RESULTS: 6 VC KIA, 4 chicom grenades, 1 M-26 grenade.

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CAP 1-1-1. Patrol received sniper fire from 3 enemy at BT 267174. The patrol returned fire; the enemy broke contact and fled W. The CAP swept the area finding 1 NVA KIA, 1 9mm Chinese pistol, 1 bottle of vitamins and 782 gear. Pictures and documents in the KIA's wallet identified him as a 1stLt from the 74th Main Force Battalion. The Lieutenant has a brother in school in Russia. RESULTS: 1 NVA KIA, 1 9mm Chinese pistol.

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CAP 1-1-6. A patrol received fire from an estimated reinforced enemy squad at BT 234249. The patrol returned fire killing 3 VC and causing the remainder to flee to the S, W, etc. An AO arrived on the scene and directed artillery on the fleeing enemy. A sweep of the area produced negative further results. One VCS had been picked up by the patrol prior to the contact. RESULTS: 3 VC KIA, 1 VCS.

CAP 1-1-4. Patrol discovered 5 VC bodies in a ravine near where daytime contact had taken place at BT 257209. The enemy dragged the bodies to this location. RESULTS: 5 VC KIA, 1 destroyed AK-47.

CAP 1-2-2. Element moving to check out movement engaged approximately 3 VC at BT 400127. The enemy fled NE without returning fire. RESULTS: Negative.

CAP 1-3-3. Patrol opened fire on 2 VC at BS 672979. The VC fled S and the patrol checked the area with negative results. RESULTS: Negative.

11 May

CAP 1-4-2. 1 NVA Hoi Chanh came position at BS 776858. He stated he was from the 48th NVA Battalion, and he was sent to Binh Son District Headquarters. RESULTS: 1 Ho Chanh.

CAP 1-3-9. Ambush initiated fire on 3-4 VC at BS 481870. The VC threw 2 grenades and fled N. The CAP pursued and requested illumination but was unable to maintain contact. A sweep of the area discovered 1 box mine. 1 USMC and 1 PF received minor wounds in the contact. RESULTS: 1 USMC VIA(M), 1 PF VIA(M), and 1 box mine.

12 May

CAP 1-1-6. Heard movement near their CP and discovered approximately 1 squad of VC attempting to probe the CP perimeter. The CAP opened fire with SA and claymores, called illumination and swept the area finding 7 VC KIA, 2 AK-47's and 2 chicon grenades. RESULTS: 7 VC KIA, 2 AK-47's, 2 chicon grenades.

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CAP 1-1-7. An unknown size enemy force initiated simultaneous 60mm mortar and SAF attacks on CP and a nearby CAP ambush at BT 303205. The CAP returned organic weapons fire and swept the area finding 7 VC KIA, 15 chicom grenades, 10 B-40 rounds, 1 30 caliber machine gun, 1 Russian 7.62mm MG and 1 AK-47. RESULTS: 7 VC KIA, 1 30 cal. MG, 1 Russian 7.62mm MG, 1 AK-47, 15 chicom grenades.

CAP 1-2-4. AVN civilian brought 1 claymore mine and 1 smoke grenade to CAP at BT 466081. A VII payment was made. RESULTS: 1 claymore and 1 smoke grenade.

CAP 1-3-2. An enemy force attacked CP at BS 558892, with approximately 35-40 B-40 rocket rounds, 20-30 60mm mortar rounds and heavy SAF. The CAP returned organic weapons fire and forced the enemy to flee S. A sweep of the area found 3 VC KIA, 1 B-40 rocket launcher, 3 B-40 rockets, and 15 chicom grenades. RESULTS: 3 VC KIA, 1 B-40 rocket launcher, 3 B-40 rockets, 15 chicom grenades.

CAP 1-3-5. Received 3 incoming grenades and 50-70 SA rounds from an enemy force located at BS 709962. The CAP returned organic weapons fire and 60mm mortar fire with negative results. RESULTS: Negative.

CAP 1-3-9. Received approximately 75-100 SA rounds. The CAP returned fire and swept the area with negative results. RESULTS: Negative.

CAP 1-3-7. CAP was attacked by approximately 30 VC at BS 613937. The enemy utilized 60mm mortar fire, satchel charges and SAF. 1 USMC was WIAE but DOW. 4 PF's were WIA(M), 1 USN was WIAE, 7 RD G'dre were WIAE. The VC fled to the East and a sweep of the area found 3 VC KIA and 1 wounded VN female. RESULTS: 1 USMC DOW, 4 PF's WIA(M), 1 USN WIAE, 1 RD WIAE, 7 RD WIA(M), 3 VC KIA, 6 chicom grenades, 1 satchel charge.

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CAP 1-3-9. Received approximately 200 rounds of SAW at BS 473871. The CAP returned fire with small arms and artillery; illumination and swept the area with negative results. RESULTS: Negative.

CAP 1-3-3. Received 3 incoming 82mm mortar rounds at BS 664973. The CAP fired CB on suspected enemy positions with negative results; RESULTS: Negative.

CAP 1-3-3. Received two incoming 82mm mortar rounds at BS 664900, wounding a VN boy in the immediate area. CB was fired with negative results. RESULTS: 1 VN civilian KIA.

CAP 1-4-1. Reported that a patrol at BS 608795 had received approximately 150 rounds of SAW from 10 VC during the period 0825 to 0925. The patrol engaged and pursued the enemy; observing one to fall to the ground wounded. 3 VCS were apprehended in the area without identification. RESULTS: 3 VC

CAP 1-2-2. A VN child turned in one M-26 grenade to CAP at BS 418124. A VIP payment was made. RESULTS: 1 M-26 grenade.

CAP 1-1-6. An element received SAW from an estimated VN platoon at BS 242267. The CAP unit returned fire and requested an artillery mission causing the enemy to withdraw to the west. A sweep of the area produced 5 VC KIA and 1 AK-47. 1 PF was wounded in the contact. RESULTS: 5 VC KIA, 1 PF WIAE, 1 IVC.

CAP 1-3-7. Received SAW from an unknown sized enemy force at BS 614935. The CAP returned fire and swept the area with negative results. RESULTS: Negative.

CAP 1-4-4. Reported that the RF CP at BS 754816, had received small arms and mortar fire from an unknown number of enemy. Shortly thereafter the CAP received 20 - 30 rounds of SAW and a patrol was dispatched to sweep the area. The patrol adjusted artillery on movement sighted in the area and completed the sweep with negative findings or contact. RESULTS: Negative.

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The graves and weapons were found in an area where the CAP had run fixed wing air strikes on suspected enemy at 201750H. RESULTS: Negative.

CAP 1-3-9. Observed approximately 20 VC moving SE at BS 473863. The CAP called an artillery mission and swept the area with negative results. RESULTS: Negative.

CAP 1-3-7. An element received SA and M-79 fire at BS 614935. The CAP element called illumination and swept the area finding blood trails and sections from a rifle grenade. RESULTS: Negative.

22 May

CAP 1-4-2. An element operating with PRU units detonated one SFD at BS 774848. A reaction patrol from CAP 1-4-2 received SAF when it was dispatched to secure the LZ for the emergency medovac. The patrol returned fire causing the enemy to withdraw to the NW. After the CAP elements had combined, they detonated a second SFD at BS 774852, wounding 2 USMC, 2 PF's and 2 PRU's. The CAP returned to the CAP CP and effected medevacs for all wounded. RESULTS: 1 PRU Advisor, KIA, 3 PRU Advisors WIAE, 3 USMC WIAE, 2 PF WIAE, 3 PRU WIAE and 2 USMC WIA(M).

CAP 1-3-8. Reported that one VC entered the hamlet of Phuoc Thuan and assassinated a PF, wounded his wife, and taken the PF's rifle. The CAP dispatched an element as a reaction force to sweep the area at BS 578922. The sweeping element received approximately 40 rounds of SAF but was unable to make worthwhile contact with the fleeing enemy. RESULTS: 1 PF KIA and 1 VN female WIAE.

CAP 1-3-7. Swept area of previous contact at BS 611932, finding 1 VC KIA, 2 rifle grenades, and 1 chicom grenades, 1 blood trails, and a cartridge belt. RESULTS: 1 VC KIA, 2 rifle & 1 chicom grenades.

CAP 1-3-6. Received 40 - 50 rounds of SAF from S of their CP at BS 574937. The fire was returned and the area swept with negative results. RESULTS: Negative.

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2. Intelligence

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a. General

(1) The month began with a low level of activity lasting up until the night of 7-8 June when a wave of enemy attacks in both provinces signalled the June phase of the enemy offensive plan was underway. After the 8th of June, contacts fell off throughout the 1st Combined Action Group Tactical Areas of Coordination with the exception of those in Binh Son District, where the NVA/VC kept up a fluctuating pressure till the end of the month.

(2) Although the 1st Combined Action Company carried the second place for all contacts and again produced the majority of the kills for 1st CAG during the month, activities (compared with the Quang Ngai TAOC's) fell off considerably in Quang Tin Province. The enemy chose to repair to the hinterlands to refit and train, probably in line with his overall offensive plan and due to the casualties taken in the fighting 7-8-9 June in the Tan Ky area.

(3) Following the 7-8 June attacks, the enemy maintained a pressure on the hamlets of Binh Son District with small arms and sapper attacks. There were some acts of terrorism including kidnapping and the destruction of hamlet civic buildings. A part of the pressure is ascribed to a possible diversionary attack designed to relieve pressure on the base area of the 21st NVA Regiment which was under attack late in the month by combined 6th ARVN Regiment and 198th Light Infantry Brigade units operating to the southwest of CAP 1-3-9. Units attacking RP Company 936 and CAP 1-3-2 along the Tra Bong River, west of Binh Son District headquarters were identified as the 4th and 5th battalions of the 21st Regiment supported by a weapons company organic to that Regiment. There is a conflict of opinion as to whether this was a diversionary measure or, when taken in conjunction with sapper attacks against hamlets in eastern Binh Son, it may have been a coordinated attack plan conducted despite the Friendly attacks on the 21st NVA Regiment. In all, there were two significant attacks along the Tra Bong River west of Binh Son District Headquarters and three attacks on hamlets in eastern Binh Son. The overall nature of the attacks indicate an enemy attempt to hamper CAP mobility, as the homes of persons housing the CAPs were most often the targets of sapper raids, and in two attacks the sappers assaulted hamlets yelling for CAP Marines by name. The effect of this could be to make the populace reluctant to house Marines, a factor upon which CAP mobility depends.

(4) As mentioned above, contact was heavy during the 7-8 June attacks dwindled (with the exception of CACO 1-3 TAOCs) during the rest of the month in the other three company areas. In terms of contacts for June, CACO 1-3 had the greatest number, with CACO 1-1, 1-4, and 1-2 following in that order. Of note in the CACO 1-4 area was the proof of reports that the VC were schooling children to observe Popular and Regional Forces movements and report their patterns as well as mine areas of frequent use when patterns were set. Lt CAP 1-4-2, a Mai Chanh provided information leading to the capture of 14 children who had this type of mission.

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enjoy a "buffered" situation which allows stronger emphasis on the training aspect of Combined Action Program. No other company in the 1st CAG finds itself in this position,

(3) CAGO 1-3 conducted a single operation this month involving CAP 1-3-2 and RF Company 936. The operation resulted in 4 VC KIA, and another experience in CAP/RF coordination under the control of CO, CAGO 1-3. The operation also kept the VC aware that he does not have a free run of the contested area between CAP 1-3-9 and RF Company 936.

(4) The following statistics derive of 1st CAG operations and activities

(a) Night Patrols	42	Multi-CAP operations	5
Ambushes	1710	Day Patrols	824
IPs	712		

(b) Enemy Casualties

<u>KIA</u>	<u>PW</u>	<u>DETAINEES</u>	<u>HOI CHANGES</u>
64	13	53	3

(c) Weapons and Ordnance Captured.

8 AK-47s	1 M-16 rifle
1 M-1 carbine	1 .45 caliber pistol
1 M-79 grenade launcher	2 SKS rifles
2 M-1 rifles	1 B-40 rocket launcher

(d) Friendly Casualties Sustained.

	<u>KIA</u>	<u>MIA</u>	<u>MIA</u>	<u>POW</u>
USMC	1	15	0	0
USN	0	1	0	0
PF	11	35	0	0

c. Training

(1) General. Formal training conducted during this period included the daily training schedule for the CAPs and three Training Inspectors traveling from CAP to CAP conducting formal training on certain subjects. Two schools and one indoctrination class were attended by 1st CAG Marines.

(2) CAP Training. On the CAP level, 962 hours of formal training was conducted. At each CAP location 37 hours of formal training was conducted. This is in addition to the informal training conducted during visits by headquarters personnel. Also, Training Inspectors conducted training at 16 CAP positions.

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1 June

CAP 1-3-9. Spotted 8 - 10 VC crossing a river at BS 503884. The VC were moving S and appeared to be carrying supplies. The CAP called artillery mission on the enemy force and swept the area with negative results. RESULTS: Negative.

2 June

CAP 1-1-4. Element received SAF from an estimated enemy squad at BT 260206. The CAP returned fire and the enemy broke contact heading W. The CAP swept the area finding 2 VC KIA and 1 M-1 carbine. RESULTS: 2 VC KIA, 1 M-1.

CAP 1-3-3. A patrol received heavy SAF at BS 664985. An artillery mission was adjusted on the enemy position and the remainder of the CAP linked up with the patrol to sweep the area. 15 - 20 VC were observed withdrawing NW. RESULTS: Negative.

CAP 1-3-2. One dud 105mm round was turned in to CAP at BS 578905 by a local civilian. RESULTS: 1 105mm round destroyed.

CAP 1-3-3. Received approximately 20 rounds of incoming 82mm and a heavy volume of SAF from an unknown number of enemy at BS 69697. The CAP returned fire and requested an artillery mission. A sweep found indications that the enemy had withdrawn to the S. RESULTS: Negative.

CAP 1-4-2. Received approximately 20 rounds of sniper fire at BS 775855. The CAP returned fire and adjusted artillery on the suspected enemy position. A sweep was conducted with negative results. RESULTS: Negative.

3 June

CAP 1-3-2. A VN male delivered one 60mm round to CAP at BS 576905. The round destroyed and a VIP payment made. RESULTS: 1 60mm round destroyed.

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3 June

MTT 1-1. Received word from villagers that 5 VC were in the vicinity of BT 303188. An MTT patrol sent to the area was unable to make contact with the reported VC but apprehended 1 female VCS. RESULTS: 1 VCS.

CAP 1-3-7. Ambush spotted lights and movement at BS 620942. The CAP called an artillery mission on the area and swept with negative results. RESULTS: Negative.

MTT 1-2. Received 1 incoming satchel charge at BS 599919. The satchel landed short of the MTT's position and fell into a civilian home, killing 1 VN child and wounding 2 VN adults. The MTT swept the area with negative results. RESULTS: 1 civilian KIA, 2 civilians WIAE.

4 June

CAP 1-4-1. Elements checking ID Cards detained 1 female without a card at BS 610815. RESULTS: 1 VCS.

CAP 1-4-3. A VN female tripped a booby trapped M-26 grenade at BS 769838. CAP moved the woman and checked the area with negative results. RESULTS: 1 civilian WIAE.

CAP 1-3-9. An unknown size VC force initiated SAF on a helicopter approaching LZ at BS 472867. The helicopter vacated the area and the CAP returned SA and AMF. An artillery mission was called on the enemy position and blood trails leading W were found on a sweep of the area. RESULTS: Negative.

5 June

CAP 1-1-7. Requested by PF units to act as a blocking force for possible VC movement in the vicinity of BT 305293. The CAP made contact and exchanged fire with an estimate two squads of VC. The enemy withdrew to the NE and the CAP requested gunships for the area. After the gunships departed the CAP swept the area finding 12 VC KIA, 3 AK-47's, 21 chicon grenades and assorted SA rounds and 782 gear. RESULTS: 12 VC KIA, 3 IMC.

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CAP 1-3-2. A VN male brought two 60mm mortar rounds to CAP at BS 576904. The CAP destroyed the rounds and made a VIP payment
RESULTS: Two 60mm rounds destroyed.

CAP 1-3-8. The CP group received fire from approximately 4 VC at BS 586924. The CAP element returned fire and called an artillery mission on the enemy position causing the enemy to flee in an unknown direction. A sweep produced negative results. RESULTS: Negative.

6 June

CAP 1-3-3. Outpost observed people carry bundles and baskets in a restricted area at BS 664985. SAF was received from the area of the movement and an artillery mission was fired in return. The area could not be swept due to the presence of numerous enemy mines in the area. RESULTS: Unknown.

7 June

CAP 1-3-2. Received 1 incoming grenade in its wire at BS 570904. The grenade wounded 1 civilian VN drum beater, part of the local warning network. The area was swept with negative results. RESULTS: 1 VNC WI.

CAP 1-3-3. Received approximately 100 rounds of SAF from an unknown number of enemy at BS 664985. The CAP returned fire with organic weapons and artillery and swept the area with negative results. RESULTS: Neg

CAP 1-4-4. Personnel observed one VC across river at BS 744818. Artillery was adjusted on the area and 1 VC was seen to fall and to flee NE. The fallen VC was observed for 1 hour during which time he did not move. The area could not be swept due to a water barrier. RESULTS: 1 VC KIA.

CAP 1-3-9. A patrol observed and apprehended 1 unarmed VC carrying supplies at BS 48388. RESULTS: 1 VC POW.

8 June

CAP 1-1-7. Patrol approaching the Biet Lo CP received enemy mortar fire at BT 298295, wounding 2 PF's and 1 USN requiring evacuation. A spotter plane was requested and artillery and air strikes were employed against the enemy. A sweep found 3 VC KIA, 3 chiem

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CAP 1-2-4. CAP found and destroyed 2 bunkers at BT 452075. RESULTS: 2 bunkers destroyed.

CAP 1-1-4. A patrol initiated SAF on 1 VC going into a bunker at BT 269180. The VC was killed and 2 nearby female VCS were apprehended and sent to district headquarters for interrogation. RESULTS: 1 VC KIA, 2 V

CAP 1-3-6. A patrol spotted and engaged 3 VC armed with carbines at BS 574937 killing 1 VC. Continuing along the patrol route, 4 more VC were spotted and engaged, killing 2. 1 M-16 was captured in the exchange. RESULTS: 3 VC KIA, 1 M-16.

CAP 1-3-9. CAP participating in a sweep operation, killed 1 VC running across an open rice paddy at BS 514886. RESULTS: 1 VC KIA.

CAP 1-3-3. VN civilians informed CAP of a wounded VC in the vicinity of BS 664980. A patrol dispatched to the area found blood trails leading to the homes of LE-QUANG-TOAN, 75 years of age, and THANH-HUYEN, age 51. Both were apprehended as VCS after they denied knowledge of wounded persons. RESULTS: 2 VCS.

CAP 1-3-2. A VN male brought a 105mm dud to CAP at BS 579906. The CAP made a VIP payment and destroyed the round. RESULTS: 1 105mm round destroyed.

CAP 1-3-7. While checking light in the vicinity of BS 613945, CAP spotted and initiated SAF on 1 VC. The CAP received 1 M-79 round in return and swept the area finding 1 VC KIA and 1 VC MIA. RESULTS: 1 VC KIA, 1 VC POW.

19 June

CAP 1-3-2. A Hoi Chanh led elements to 8 VCS in the vicinity of BS 577904. The VCS were sent to district headquarters for interrogation. RESULTS: 8 VCS.

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CAP 1-4-1. A patrol, checking ID cards, at BS 625826 detained 3 VCS without ID cards. The VCS were sent to district headquarters

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