

(Note: 1,500-2,000 pages of materials Received from Timothy J. Jakubowski veteran of the 196th LIB 1966 in November 2006.)

Note: Most materials were readable. However, there were some daily reports for this month where the microfilm copies were very blurred. For these pages the information may not be correctly transcribed. I tried to decipher the information as best I could. I hope that original images of the documents may be made available as PDF images along with the transcribed pages so that the original images can be reviewed.

SITREP for the period 051801 - 061800 Nov 66 is missing from this set of documents.

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CG 196TH LT INF BDE

CG 25TH INF DIV

SITREP 311801 - 011800 Nov 66.

1.(C) Operations Summary.

a. 196th Lt Inf Bde continued operation ATTLEBORO with 2 battalions (-) conducting saturation patrolling vic XT441491. Evacuation of cache continued. To date 845 tons of rice has been captured, of which 90 tons have been evacuated to TAY NINH. 3/21 Inf and 4/31 Inf continued platoon size operations on A0-2 and A0-1 respectively.

(1) 2/1 Inf: 2/1 Inf continued to secure cache and conducted saturation patrolling out to approximately 1000 meters of base camp. Overnight activity was as follows: At 1833 hrs, 2 rifle grenades were received at XT437497. Fire was returned with unknown results. At 2040 hrs, Co C engaged 8 VC at XT435502 with small fire and Claymores with unknown results. At 2110 hrs, Co B received 6 rounds of SA fire and one claymore. Fire was returned with unknown results. At 2150 hrs, Co C received on M-79 round at XT434504 and returned fire with unknown results. At 2238 hrs, Co A received fire from 2 claymores at XT439501. An artillery mission was fired against the 1 2200

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enemy with unknown results. At 2305 hrs, Co B engaged a suspected VC position at XT439392 with SA fire, results unknown. At 0045 hrs, Co C received 5 rifle grenades at XT434504 and returned fire with M-79, results unknown. At 0228 hrs, Co C received 2 rifle grenades at XT434504 and returned fire with unknown results. At 4001 hrs, Co C ambush engaged 4 VC at XT431502 resulting in 4 VCKIA (POSS). At 0405 hrs, Co B received 1 round of sniper fire at XT434504 and returned fire with M-79, results unknown. At 0512 hrs, Co B received fire from one claymore at XT433494 and returned fire with SA, results unknown. At 0515 hrs, Co C received 1 rifle grenade at XT437502 and returned fire with unknown results. At 0730 hrs, saturation patrolling commenced. At 0900 hrs, Co C received SA fire and claymore at XT443501 as the company was moving to cache. Airstrike was called in on the enemy. The encounter resulted in 3 USWIA and 3 USKIA. One WIA was only slightly wounded and not evacuated. After the airstrike the area was searched with negative results. At 1045 hrs, Co C found 3 structures at XT443501. The following was located in structures and in the immediate vicinity: 12 rifle grenades, 1 M-79, 20 crimped cartridges, 1 canteen, 1 poncho, 2 hoes, 2 ammo pouches, 1 lamp, 6 medical uniforms, 3 bottles of medicine, 2 rolls of adhesive tape, civilian clothing, documents, 50 tons of loose rice and an undetermined amount of loose beans. At 1400 hrs, Co C captured 1 structure at XT439504 and 5 tons of unpolished rice. At 1420 hrs, Co A received AW fire at XT440509. Artillery fire was called, firing ceased and area was checked with negative results. At 1755 hrs, Co C found 320 cans of milk (8 oz cans) at XT438505. At 1710 hrs, all elements had closed base camp. Resupply was completed

at 1730 hrs.

(2) 3/21 Inf: Co conducted 2 squad size ambushes at XT145508 and XT144500 from 311800 Oct 66 to 010730 Nov 66, with no contact. Co B was responsible for the security of the laterite mission. throughout the period. One plat Co C and one plat Co D secured the battalion's sector of the brigade perimeter with no contact. One plat, Co C conducted a reconnaissance from XT167511 to XT167503 to XT161501 to XT150501 to XT145496 to XT139498 to XT138513 to XT154509 from 11200 - 011700 Nov 66. One squad of the platoon remained behind to conduct an ambush at XT139398 overnight. The recon plat, Co D continued S & D operations in AO-2. The plat conducted an overnight ambush at XT165449 with no contact. At 0810 hrs, the plat moved to XT165458 and established new base camp. At 1615 hrs, the plat received SA fire and AW fire from 4 VC vicinity XT161458. The plat returned the fire and an artillery mission was fired. The enemy fire ceased and one squad proceeded to investigate the area. Results of the search were negative. At 1750 hrs, the platoon engaged 1 VC at XT172548 with unknown results.

(3) 4/31 Inf: Co A and Co D secured the battalion's sector of the brigade perimeter with no contact. Recon plat, Co B continued S&D operations in AO-1. The platoon conducted an overnight ambush patrol at XT125554 with no contact. At 010800 Nov 66, the plat resumed S & D operations from XT128555 to XT115530. At 011034 Nov 66, the platoon received a change of mission and was ordered to return to TAY NINH base camp closing at 011124 Nov 66. At 011116 Nov 66, Co A commenced airmobile operation to vic DAU TIENG with Co A closing battalion field location. The battalion conducted saturation

patrolling during the period. At 1555 hrs, Co B received AW fire at XT445496 and returned fire. The encounter resulted in one USWIA and unknown enemy casualties.

(4) 3/82 Arty. 3/82 Arty and attached units fire 71 H & I missions from 311900 Oct 66 to 010700 Nov 66. A/3/82 Arty, in support of forces from DAU TIENG fired 14 suppression missions, 5 DEFCONS, 3 support missions and preparation. At 011300 Nov 66, A/1/8 Arty displaced a four gun battery to DAU TIENG to reinforce the fires of A/3/82 Arty. At 011440 Nov 66, the command element, 3/82 Arty displaced to DAU TIENG by CH47. At 312040 Oct 66, B/3/82 Arty marked two DEFCONS. At 545 hrs, B3/13 Arty (-) fired at 3 suspected VC locations at XT695655, XT084652 and XT097657 with no surveillance. At 1520 hrs, C/2/32 Arty fired at 4 VC vic of bridge at XT35356445. Bridge was 50% destroyed and no VC casualties resulted. At 1630hrs, B/3/82 Arty fired a support mission for recon plat, 3/21 Inf at 4 VC located at XT161458. The VC firing ceased.

b. Plans Summary. 196th Inf Bde will continue operation ATTLEBORO with saturation patrolling in vic of XT491494. Evacuation of cache will continue.

- c. Major Unit Operations.
(1) ATTLEBORO continued.
(2) US LOSSES

(Cumulative) 13 69 0 0/0 0/0

2.(C) Statistical Summary.

- c. C-2 TAY NINH XT441494 S&D ATTLEBORO 311833 Oct/Cont
C-3 TAY NINH (XT441494 S&D ATTLEBORO 011555 Nov/CONT
- d. D-2 196 Bde C-2 311833H(D) No No
010630H(D)
010900H(D) 3F100 USAF No
010915H(D)

011420H(D)/011425H(D) No No
D3 196 Bde C-3 011555H(D)/011600H(D) No No

A total of 11 sorties of F100, USAF were flown in support of operation ATTLEBORO.

k3 D2 UNK/UNK 3 4 3 0 0 0 0
k4 No entries.

k5 7

k5A 1

<u>k5B</u>	<u>k5C</u>	<u>k5D</u>
TAY NINH/XT161458	011615H(D)	None
TAY NINH/XT172548	011750H(D)	None

<u>k5E</u>	<u>k5F</u>
None	S & D
None	S & D

3. (U) Civil Affairs: No entries.

4. (C) BUSHMASTER OPERATIONS

a. 0

b. 0

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SITREP 011801 - 021800 Nov 66

1.(C) Operations Summary.

a. 196th Lt Inf Bde continued operation ATTLEBORO with 3 battalions. 2/1 Inf(-) and 4/31 Inf (-) continued saturation patrolling vic XT441491. 1/27 Inf conducted a two company airmobile operation from DAU TIENG to vic XT425458 and XT425530. 1/27 Inf under the operational control of the 196th Lt Inf Bde effective 011755 Nov 66.

(1) 2/1 Inf. 2/1 Inf conducted saturation patrolling vic of field base camp. At 0950 hrs, Co C observed 20 VC at XT439507. VC fired one claymore mine and Co C requested arty fire, after which a check of the area was checked and a small piece of cotton was found with blood on it. No US casualties resulted from the encounter. At 1300 hrs, Co C observed 1 VC on a trail at XT441499. A patrol was dispatched to check the area with negative results. At 1315 hrs, Co A found 1 US 100 lb general purpose bomb at XT443512. Bomb was marked 2 2200 to be destroyed later. At 1315 hrs, Co C found 2 documents at XT432 Nov 1966 507 which were evacuated. All elements closed field base camp at 1

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021600 Nov 66. The battalion CP is located at XT438495. Resupply was completed at 1730 hrs.

(2) 3/21 Inf: Co A conducted 2 squad size ambushes at XT142533 and XT137524 from 011745 - 020730 Nov 66 with no contact. Co C conducted three squad size ambushes at XT146501, XT139511 and XT133500 from 011800 - 020700 Nov 66 with no contact. Two platoons, Co A secured the battalion's sector of the brigade perimeter and one platoon, Co C secured 4/31 Inf sector of brigade perimeter. Recon plat conducted an ambush at XT162466 from 012000 - 020710 Nov 66 and then commenced S & D operations to TAY NINH. At 0730 hrs, one hut and cooking utensils were destroyed at XT159474. At 0840 hrs, one tunnel 5X5X3 ft was destroyed at XT159486. The platoon closed base camp at 020930 Nov 66. One squad, Co C secured the laterite pit from 020700 - 021800 Nov 66. AT platoon, Co D conducted a BUDDY operation in support of USSF and CIDG vic XT2858. The plat fired on predetermined targets from 020630 - 021622 Nov 66. A ROADRUNNER was conducted in the process from XT175508 to XT195509 to XT250497 to XT317550. At 1015 hrs, 3 caves were destroyed vic XT320570. At 1155 hrs, vic XT294590, 7 caves were destroyed. At 1408 hrs, AT plat received 6 rds SA fire at XT287561, fire was returned with unknown results. At 1520 hrs, 11 caves were destroyed vic XT290570, XT287568, XT280566 and XT280564. The platoon closed TAY NINH at 021622 Nov 66. At 1500 hrs, one plat, Co A departed TAY NINH to conduct ambush patrols and S & D operations in AO-2. The plat established field base camp at XT473487.

(3) 4/31 Inf: 4/31 Inf continued saturation patrolling vic field base. AT 0800 hrs, 28 piles of laterite found between XT445493 and XT445506. At 1545 hrs, Co B destroyed 3 huts at XT436501. The following was captured: 6 bicycles, 6 rounds of 60mm mortar, 2 Chicom grenades, approx 1000 pills, 1 can of liquid, 1 acetylene lamp, SA ammo, 1 ½ pounds of documents.

(4) 3/82 Arty. 3/82 Arty and attached units fired 116 H&I missions from 011900 to 020700 Nov 66. A/3/82 Arty located at DAU TIENG (XT491475) fired 4 DEFCONS, 17 suppression missions, 2 preparations, 2 registrations and 5 support missions. Surveillance indicated 10 VCKIA (POSS). A/1/8 Arty also located at DAU TIENG and reinforcing the fires of A/3/82 Arty fired 17 suppression missions, 2 registrations, 1 preparation and 5 support missions. At 0915 hrs, C/2/32 Arty fired at a VC structure at XT085785, surveillance: area well covered.

b. Plans Summary: 196th Lt Inf Bde will continue operation ATTLEBORO. On order 2/1 Inf moves on 2 axes from present location to XT430537 to XT440537 and 430555. 1/27 Inf conducts airmobile operations; one company to XT460530 and one company to XT407537. 1/27 Inf will establish blocking positions from XT445542 to XT447538. 4/31 Inf will conduct S & D operations from present location to XT447537 and XT455535 and on order to XT443523.

- c. Major Unit Operations.
(1) ATTLEBORO continued.
(2) US LOSSES
(Cumulative) No change.

2.(C) Statistical Summary.

c. C-2 TAY NINH XT441494 S & D ATTELBORO NA/NA

C-3 TAY NINH XT441494 S&D ATTLEBORO NA/NA
d. D-2 196 Bde C-2 010950H(D)/010955H(D) No No
D3 196 Bde C-3 NA/NA No No

k3 - k4 No entries.

k5 11

k5A 1

<u>k5B</u>	<u>k5C</u>	<u>k5D</u>
TAY NINH/XT287561	011408H(D)	None

<u>k5E</u>	<u>k5F</u>
None	BUDDY Operation

3. (U) Civil Affairs: No entries.

4. (C) BUSHMASTER OPERATIONS

a. 0

b. 0

5. (U) To date 845 tons of rice have been captured, 109 tons have been evacuated to TAY NINH and 321 tons destroyed.

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SITREP 021801 - 031800 Nov 66

1.(C) Operations Summary.

a. General. The 196th Lt Inf Bde continued operation ATTLEBORO. 1/27 Inf conducted a two company airmobile assault and established blocking positions while 2/1 Inf (-) and 4/31 Inf (-) conducted S&D operations from base camp on four axes toward the blocking positions (XT445542 to XT447538). 2d plat, F Trp conducted a ROADRUNNER and escort of engr elements from TAY NINH to XT349337 and XT383276 and secured the engr elements while they recovered two bridges. The mission was accomplished at 1155 hrs, and the elements closed TAY NINH at 1330 hrs. The 3rd plat, F Trp conducted a ROADRUNNER and provided security for two 155mm howitzers which displaced from XT166555 to XT345578. 3rd Plat, F Trp closed TAY NINH at 1520 hrs. Final totals on rice cache are as follows: Captured 845 tons; evacuated 169 tons; destroyed 676 tons. Co A, 2/27 Inf under operational control of 196 Bde as of 031927 Nov 66.

(1) 2/1 Inf: 2/1 Inf (-) conducted S & D operations

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from XT441494 on two axes to XT430537 (Co A) and XT440537 (Co B), Co C followed Co A. Co B and Co C presently located at XT407535, Co A located at XT445539. At 02200 Nov 66 and 2045 hrs Co C engaged suspected movement at XT437506 with hand grenades. At 2015 hrs, 2025 hrs, and 2140 hrs, Co B engaged suspected movement vic XT434502 with hand grenades. At 2205 hrs, suspected VC activity at XT439507 was engaged with artillery fire requested by Co A. At 030005 Nov 66, Co B fired a bangalore torpedo at XT435500 when a trip flare was set off. At 0010 hrs, Co B received a rifle grenade with no casualties. At 0900 hrs S&D operations commenced. At 1148 hrs, Co B engaged an unknown number of VC at XT442517. VC employed SA fire and claymores inflicting 7 USKIA and 12USWIA. Enemy casualties unknown. Contact was broken by the enemy and no further contact was made throughout the period.

(2) 3/21 Inf: Co A secured the battalion's sector of the brigade perimeter with no contact. One platoon, Co A continued operations in AO-2. The platoon established an ambush patrol at XT149478 from 021900 to 030708 Nov 66 with no contact. At 0708 hrs, the platoon continued S & D operations from XT149478 to XT152469 to XT157469 to XT156476 with no contact. One ambush will be established vic XT156474. Co B conducted a reinforced squad ambush at XT141538 from 021730 to 030740 Nov 66. At 022245 Nov 66, 4 VCS were observed at XT139522 and engaged with arty fire. The area was checked with negative results. Co C conducted two reinforced squad ambushes at XT163507 and XT142499 from 021800 - 030730 Nov 66. At 021835 Nov 66, one patrol received one round of sniper fire at XT143499 from XT143497. Fire was returned on 2 VC with negative results. The patrol

1 USKIA. Elements of Co C provided security for the laterite mission during the period with no contact. At 031530 Nov 66, Co C (-) was attached to 1/27 Inf and moved by helicopter to establish a blocking position at XT415535.

(3) 4/31 Inf: 4/31 Inf continued operation ATTLEBORO from forward base camp on two axes Co B to XT445539 followed by Co A. Co C conducted S & D operations from forward base camp to XT470514 to XT445539, CP location for 4/31 Inf (-) presently at XT445539. Co B fired on enemy movement at XT445507. At 022145 Nov 66, C and VC returned fire and broke contact. There were no friendly casualties. At 2300 hrs, Co A received SA fire at XT440497, and returned the fire with one claymore. S & D operations commenced at 0900 hrs. At 1415 hrs, Co C discovered a recently evacuated enemy base camp at XT448518. Size and number of buildings unknown. Structures will be destroyed. At 1505 hrs Co A located 6 structures at XT451525 which contained 10 pounds of documents and an unknown amount of clothing. Clothing and structures were destroyed and documents were evacuated. At 1555 hrs, Co C received SA fire from 5 VC at XT458526. Fire was returned and VC broke contact. Two notebooks containing documents were found and evacuated. At XT456428 at 1630 hrs, Co C destroyed 1 hut and 2 grenades. At 1635 hrs, Co C destroyed one kitchen complex and two pigs at XT457528.

(4) 1/27 Inf: 1/27 Inf conducted an airmobile operation with Co B assaulting LZ #2 (XT460530) and Co C assaulting LZ #1 (XT407537) and established blocking positions from XT445542 to XT447538. Co B presently located at XT445539. Co A and Co C presently located at XT407535. At 1040 hrs, Co C was engaged by AW fire at XT413537

and returned fire. At 1045 hrs, Co C received fire again from the same location and returned the fire. At 1206 hrs, Co C was engaged with an estimated reinforced VC platoon dug in at XT411539. The engagement resulted in 5 USKIA and 14 USWIA. Enemy casualties are unknown. At 1207 hrs, Co B located a suspected enemy base camp at XT454534, which was recently occupied. It was estimated to be one or two company size and there were numerous trails of blood in the area. Three wood and tin structures were destroyed along with an undetermined amount of tools. At 1740 hrs, Co C engaged 1 VC at XT411539 with unknown results.

(5) 3/82 Arty. 3/82 Arty and attached units fired 180 H & I missions from 021900 to 030700 Nov 66. A/3/82 Arty fired one preparation, 3 DEFCONS, 3 navigational missions, 4 targets of opportunity and 8 suppression missions. A/1/8 Arty fired 1 preparation, 2 DEFCONS, 1 TOT, and 1 recon by fire in support of 196 Bde. B3/13 Arty (-) displaced two 155mm howitzers overland from TRANG SOP to SUOI DAU (XT349574). C/3/82 Arty fired 1 DEFCON and 4 navigation missions for 3/21 Inf patrols. At 2300 hrs, C/3/82 Arty fired one support mission for 3/21 Inf patrol. At 2120 hrs, C2/32 Arty fired 3 missions in support of USSF operation at XT111711, XT104705 and XT103694. At 1445 hrs, and 1608 hrs, C/2/32 Arty and D3/13 Arty registered. At 1645 hrs, C/2/32 Arty fired at VC Tax Collection point at XT043509. Surveillance: one house destroyed.

b. Plans Summary. Plans for operations to be conducted on 4 Nov 66 are not formulated at this time.

c. Major Unit Operations.

(1) ATTLEBORO continued

(2) US LOSSES
(Cumulative) 25 95 0 0/0 0/0

2. (C) Statistical Summary.

c. C-2 TAY NINH XT407535 S&D ATTLEBORO 031148H(D)/Cont
C-3 TAY NINH XT445439 S&D ATTLEBORO 022145H(N)/Cont
C-4 TAY NINH XT445539 S&D ATTLEBORO 031040H(D)/Cont

d. D2 196 Bde C-2 022000H(N)/030005H(N) Friendly NO NO
030010H(N)/030011H(N) Enemy NO NO
031148H(D)/031210H(D) Friendly NO NO
D3 196 Bde C-3 022145H(N)/022148H(D) Friendly NO NO
022300H(N)/022305H(N) Enemy NO NO
031555H(D)/031600H(D) Enemy NO NO
C-4 031045H(D)/031210H(D) Enemy NO NO
031740H(D)/031742H(D) Friendly NO NO

k3 12 26 0 0 0 0 0

k4 No entries.

k5 6

k5A 2

k5B

TAY NINH/XT139522
TAY NINH/XT143499

k5C

022245H(N)
021835H(D)

k5D

3/21 Inf/None
3/21 Inf/1 USKIA

k5E

Unk/Unk
Unk/Unk

k5F

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3. (U) Civil Affairs: No entries.

4. (C) BUSHMASTER Operations

a. 0

b. 0

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SITREP 031801 - 041800 Nov 66

1.(C) Operations Summary.

a. General. The 196th Lt Inf Bde continued operation ATTLEBORO. 2/1 Inf (-), 4/31 Inf (-), 1/27 Inf (-) and 2/27 Inf (-) conducted S & D operations vic XT412538, XT338539, XT438552, and XT426552. 2d plat F Trp departed TAY NINH at 040606 Nov 66 to recon for possible mortar emplacements. At 0640 hrs, the 2d plat found two or three 82mm mortar positions vic XT183524. Plat closed TAY NINH at 1000 hrs. At 0945 hrs, F Trp conducted a ROADRUNNER from TAY NINH to XT166554 as escort for arty resupply. At 1037 hrs, F Trp conducted escort for engr elements for road repair. At 1150 hrs, F Trp received 5 rounds SA fire at XT358328. Fire not returned. At 1420 hrs, F Trp conducted recon from TAY NINH to XT183524 and closed TAY NINH at 1530 hrs. From 040208 Nov 66 to 040230 Nov 66 and again from 0540 hrs to 0550 hrs TAY NINH base camp received a mortar attack of 150-200 rounds of 60mm and 82mm mortar. Fire was returned with Arty, 106 RR 4 2200
fire and mortar fire. A total of 104 craters have been located. Nov 1966
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A total of 2 KIA and 73 WIA resulted from the attack of which 55 WIA were members of the 196th Brigade. Total of other items evacuated from DAU TIENG are as follows: 17.35 tons of beans, 12.35 tons of salt, 300 shovels, ½ ton of tin, 41 cans of cooking oil, 1 can of fish and 18 bicycles. Total of other items destroyed. ¾ tons of beans, 300 bags of tobacco (25 lb bags), 10 bags of cigarette paper, 4 oxen, 7 water buffalo, 2 ox carts, 25 - 5 gal cans of fish paste, 80 cans of salt fish.

(1) 2/1 Inf. 2/1 Inf continued operation ATTLEBORO by conducting S&D operations from XT407535 to XT447539 with no contact. At approx 1400 hrs, A2/1 Inf (-) received a change of mission to reinforce Co C, 2/27 Inf. At the time of this report the action is continuing.

(2) 3/21 Inf: Co C remains attached to 1/27 Inf. One platoon and one mortar squad from D (-) provided security for B/3/13 Arty (-) at XT345580. One plat Co B conducted recon patrol from XT153514 to XT152524 and dropped off two ambushes (squad size) at XT133520 and XT133534 for the night. One plat, Co A terminated operations in AO-2 by conducting an ambush at XT156474. The plat closed base camp at 0927 hrs. Co D conducted 2 squad size ambushes at XT156502 and XT137509. Both patrols called arty fire on mortar flashes and checked the area at first light with negative results. One squad Co C provided security for the laterite pit. Co D (-) secured the battalion's sector of the brigade perimeter.

(3) 4/31 Inf. At approx 0217 hrs the battalion base at TAY NINH came under mortar attack. Counter mortar fire was returned at 0215 hrs. A check of the suspected VC firing positions revealed

several well prepared and well camouflaged positions. At 0745 hrs, while checking the area, the 1st plat, Co A received AW fire from XT152526. Fire was returned and area was searched. At 1500 hrs, bunker #21 observed 2 men at XT145522. A five man patrol was sent to search the area and found 4 foreign grenades, trousers, camp fire, an eating tin and cooked rice. 4/31 Inf (-) conducted S&D operations from XT447539 to XT437553. At 1410 hrs, Co B found 50 tons of bagged rice and 160 tons of loose rice (estimated) at XT436541. 4/31 Inf (-) presently located at XT425545.

(4) 1/27 Inf: At 032030 Nov 66, Co A received a probing attack with SA fire at XT408538. At 2353 hrs, Co A received 3 rds of SA fire at XT410545. Fire was returned with SA and arty fire. At 0005 hrs, Co A received one rifle grenade at XT410435. Fire was not returned. At 0115 hrs and 0125 hrs, Co A received hand grenades from XT410535. Fire was returned with two claymores. At 0900 hrs, 1/27 Inf commenced S & D operation from XT447539 to XT428550. At 1315 hrs, C/1/27 and C/3/21 engaged with estimated 2-3 VC companies at XT417540. One human wave attack was repelled. Results 10VCKIA (BC) and 1 VC company fixed. Arty fired spt mission with unknown results. 2/27 Inf (-), the reaction force was committed at 1435 hrs. At 1540 hrs, contact continuing at this time.

(5) 2/27 Inf. 2/27 Inf (-) attached to 196 Bde effective 031800 Nov 66. 2/27 Inf (-) was reaction force for today's operation. At 1230 hrs a helicopter was downed at XT445455 with gun ships providing top cover. Gun ships received fire from village and returned fire. Co A was committed by helicopter to secure the downed aircraft. The

downed helicopter was extracted and Co A was lifter to reinforce 1/27 Inf (-) at 1600 hrs.

(6) 3/82 Arty: 3/82 Arty and attached units fired 201 H&I missions from 031900 - 040700 Nov 66. A/3/82 Arty at DAU TIENG fired 1 preparation, 5 DEFCONS, 1 navigation round, 1 registration, 1 recon by fire and 9 support missions causing 3 secondary explosions. A/1/8 Arty at DAU TIENG fired 6 DEFCONS, 1 preparation, 1 registration and 6 support missions. B/3/13 Arty (-) now has two 155mm howitzers and SUOI DAU (XT349574) and expects to have 2 more at 041900 hrs. At 2108 hrs, Btry C fired at a suspected VC location at XT148532 and at 2255 hrs at a suspected VC location at XT147540. At 2256 hrs a fire mission was fired at XT287293 and XT283288 in support of ARVN camp (BUDDY operation) being attacked by an estimated VC battalion. Mission was fired by C/2/32 Arty. 3/82 Arty and attached units at TAY NINH fired counter mortar fire during mortar attack. Between 0920 hrs and 0930 hrs, Btry C fired at 20 VC at XT104529 and XT105514 resulting in 3VCKIA (POSS).

b. Plans Summary. Plans for tomorrows operation are incomplete at this time.

c. Major Unit operations.

(1) ATTLEBORO continued.

(2) US LOSSES

(Cumulative) Unknown

2.(C) Statistical Summary.

- c. C-2 TAY NINH XT447539 ATTLEBORO 041400H(D)/Cont
- C-3 TAY NINH XT425545 ATTLEBORO NA/NA
- C-4 TAY NINH XT417540 ATTLEBORO 041315H(D)/Cont

C-5 TAY NINH XT417540 ATTLEBORO 041600H(D)/Cont

d.	D2	196	Bde	C-2	041400(D)/Cont	Fr	No	No
	D3	196	Bde	C-3	NA/NA	NA	No	No
	D4	196	Bde	C-4	041315H(D)/Cont	Fr	No	No
	D5	196	Bde	C-5	041600H(D)/Cont	Fr	No	No

K3 - K4 Unknown.

K5 11.

K5A 1.

K5B

K5C

K5D

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4/31 Inf/None

Unk/Unk

Recon

3.(U) Civil Affairs. No entries.

4.(C) BUSHMASTER operations.

a. 0

b. 0

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SITREP 041801 - 051800 Nov 66

1.(C) Operations Summary.

a. General. The 196th Lt Inf Bde continued operation ATTLEBORO with 2/1 Inf (-), 4/31 Inf (-), 3/21 (-), 1/27 Inf (-) and 2/27 Inf (-). 3/82 Arty continued to provide fire support for the 196th Lt Inf Bde. Summary of tactical operations of forward elements will be submitted by 196th Lt Inf Bde forward command post. F Trp, 17 Cav conducted a convoy escort from XT167506 to XT259500 from 050730 - 050930 Nov 66. F Trp established ambushes at XT147501 and XT157497. The ambushes departed base camp at 051445 and will remain in position overnight.

(1) 2/1 Inf: Co D (-) provided security for the battalion's sector of the brigade perimeter with no contact.

(2) 3/21 Inf: 3/21 Inf (-) was helilifted to DAU
TIENG commencing at 051313 Nov 66. Co A conducted one ambush from 5 2130
041730 - 050730 Nov 66 at XT152547 with no contact. Co B conducted Nov 1966
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squad size ambushes at XT132535 and XT132521 with no contact. Co D conducted ambushes at XT145507 and XT164500 from 041845 - 060730 Nov 66 with no contact. Rear elements secured the battalion's sector of the brigade perimeter with no contact.

(3) 4/31 Inf: The rear elements secured the battalion's sector of the brigade perimeter. At 042000 Nov 66, flashing lights were observed at XT146523 and engaged with 81mm mortar fire. The lights went out. A check of the area revealed a freshly occupied position. At 042203 Nov 66, one individual was engaged vicinity XT157518 resulting in 1VCKIA (Poss). At 051730 Nov 66, the first elements of 1/27 Inf arrived in the battalion area. All elements closed by 051815 Nov 66, were fed and given a place to wash and sleep.

(4) 3/82 Arty: 3/82 Arty and attached units fired 225 H&I missions from 041900 to 050700 Nov 66. A/3/82 Arty located in DAU TIENG fired 14 support missions. A/1/8 Arty under operational control of 3/82 Arty at DAU TIENG fired 10 support missions. B/3/13 Arty (-) now has four 155mm howitzers located at SUOI DAU (XT349574). A/2/13 Arty closed TAY NINH base camp at 042135 Nov 66 with six 105mm howitzers. At 040900 hrs, A/2/13 Arty departed TAY NINH base camp to SUOI DAU closing at 051030 Nov 66. At 1935 hrs, B/3/82 Arty fired at a suspected location at XT139492. At 2220 hrs, B/3/82 Arty registered 2 DEFCONS for 3/21 Inf ambush patrols at XT165492 and XT140520. At 2005, C/3/82 Arty registered 2 DEFCONS for 3/21 Inf ambush patrols at XT127534 and XT153537. At 2220 hrs, C/3/82 Arty fired a mission at 1 VC in the open at XT162535, surveillance: area well covered. At 051212 Nov 66, B/3/13 Arty fired target of opportunity at XT014572, surveillance, 2 houses damaged, 1 house destroyed.

b. Plans Summary: 3/21 Inf will conduct one overnight ambush patrol and 4/31 Inf will conduct 2 overnight ambush patrols in vicinity of TAY NINH base camp.

c. Major Unit Operations.

(1) ATTLEBORO continued.

(2) US LOSSES

(cumulative) to be reported by 196 Bde. Fwd.

2.(U) Statistical Summary. To be reported by 196th Bde Fwd.

3.(U) Civil Affairs: No entries.

4.(C) BUSHMASTER operations.

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SITREP 051801 - 061800 Nov 66

1.(C) Operations Summary.

a. General. The 196th Lt Inf Bde

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SITREP 061801 - 071800 Nov 66

1.(C) Operations Summary.

a. General. The 196th Lt Inf Bde (REAR) continued security operations at TAY NINH. F Trp conducted overnight ambush patrols at XT141496, XT167491 and XT142546. At 061855 Nov 66, patrol at XT142546 reported a 10 man armed group at XT137537. From 1547 to 1830 hrs, 2d plat, F Trp conducted a ROADRUNNER to XT286363 with engr elements for road repair.

(1) 2/1 Inf: One platoon of 1/27 Inf is providing security for the 2/1 Inf sector of the brigade perimeter supported by mortar plat (-) 2/1 Inf. One squad of the mortar plat 1/27 Inf secured the battalion's sector of the brigade perimeter with no contact. Two squad from Co B established overnight ambushes at X142519 and XT152525 with no contact. One squad Co C, secured the laterite pit from 070700-071800 Nov 66 with no contact. At 070800 Nov 1966

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Nov 66, one plat, Co B was helilifted from TAY NINH to LZ at XT405550 and joined 3/21 Inf (-) in operation ATTLEBORO II.

(3) 4/31 Inf: Co C 1/27 Inf secured the battalion's sector of the brigade perimeter along with elements of Co D, 4/31 Inf with no contact.

(4) 1/27 Inf: 1/27 Inf continued to defend 196th Lt Inf Bde perimeter and performed maintenance on weapons and equipment. Co A was assigned to 3/21 Inf bunker line, Co B assigned to 2/1 Inf bunkerline and Co C assigned to 4/31 Inf bunker line. At 062030 Nov 66, the movement of all supplies and equipment from DAU TIENG to TAY NINH was completed. Cumulative total of friendly losses 8 KIA and 50 SIA.

(5) 3/82 Arty: 3/82 Arty and attached units fired 59 H & I missions. 1 DEFCON, 7 navigation missions, and 1 registration mission was fired. Btry C, Btry B, and 2 howitzers, B/3/13 Arty (-) continue to provide fire support for 196 Bde.

(6) 8th Spt Bn: One 120 vehicle convoy closed TAY NINH from CU CHI at 071500 Nov 66 and at 071600 Nov 66, one convoy departed for CU CHI. Co C evacuated 16 patients to CU CHI. There currently [are] 16 patients.

b. Plans Summary: 196th Lt Inf Bde rear will continue patrol activities at TAY NINH base camp and continue to provide support for forward elements.

2. (U) Statistical Summary: No entries.
3. (U) Civil Affairs: No entries.
4. (C) BUSHMASTER Operations.
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CG 196TH LT INF BDE

CG 25TH INF DIV

SITREP 071801 - 081800 Nov 66

1.(C) Operations Summary.

a. General. 196TH LT INF BDE (FWD) CONTINUE OPERATION ATTLEBORO II UNDER THE OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF 1ST INF DIV. 196TH LT INF BDE (REAR) CONTINUED BASE CAMP SECURITY AND PATROL ACTIVITY AT TAY NINH. ONE SQUAD, COMPANY D ATTACHED TO BTRY A, 3/82 ARTY AND AT PLATOON (-) SECURING BTRY B, 3/13 ARTY (-) AT XT165553. 8TH SPT BN DISPATCHED A 107 VEHICLE CONVOY FROM TAY NINH TO CU CHI AT 1500 NOV 66. COMPANY C, 8TH SPT BN RECEIVED 21 DUSTOFF HELICOPTERS WITH 20 US KIA AND 44 US WIA. FTRP, 17 CAV, CONDUCTED OVERNIGHT AMBUSHES AT XT180494, XT152532 AND XT148547 with no contact. FTRP CONDUCTED A RECONNAISSANCE FROM 0815 TO 1545 HRS FROM BASE CAMP TO XT148493 WHERE 100 PUNJI PITS WERE DESTROYED.

(1) 2/1 INF: ELEMENTS OF 1/27 INF AND COMPANY D
SECURED THE BATTALION'S SECTOR OF THE BRIGADE PERIMETER. ONE 8 2100
SAUAD, COMPANY C SECURED THE LATERITE PIT FROM 080700 - NOV 1966
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SUPPORTED BY MORTAR PLAT (-) WITH NO CONTACT.

(2) 3/21 INF: ELEMENTS OF 1/27 INF AND HHC SECURED THE BATTALION'S SECTOR OF THE BRIGADE PERIMETER WITH NO CONTACT. ONE SQUAD, COMPANY C SECURED THE LATERITE PIT FROM 080700 - 081800 NOV 66.

(3) 4/31 INF: ELEMENTS OF 1/27 INF AND CO D SECURED THE BATTALION'S SECTOR OF THE BRIGADE PERIMETER. AT 072230 NOV 66, 3 VCS WERE ENGAGED AT XT152516 WITH UNKNOWN RESULTS. 4/31 INF (-) MOVED FROM DAU TIENG TO SOUI DAU VIC XT3457 AT 081500 NOV 66.

(4) 1/27 INF: 1/27 INF CONTINUED TO PROVIDE SECURITY FOR 196TH LT INF BDE PERIMETER. PLATOON SIZE RECONAISSANCE PATROLS WERE CONDUCTED BY 2D PLAT, COMPANY B AND 1ST PLAT COMPANY C TO TWO THOUSAND METERS WEST OF TAY NINH BAE CAMP WITH NO CONTACT.

(5) 3/82 ARTY: 3/28[SIC] ARTY AND ATTACHED UNITS FIRED 65 H&I MISSIONS FROM 071900 TO 080700 NOV 66. FROM 071850 TO 071930 NOV 66, FOUR DEFCONS WERE REGISTERED. AT 2240 HRS AND 2315 HRS, BTRY C FIRED SUPPORT MISSIONS FOR F TRP, 17 CAV PATROL AT XT14155774. FROM 0645 HRS TO 0655 HRS, SUPPORT MISSIONS REDHAZE WERE FIRED AMD AT 1335 HRS, C/2/32 ARTY FIRED ONE SUPPORT MISSION. AT 1510 HRS, BTRY B, 3/13 ARTY (-) REGISTERED AT GRID XT017536 AND AT 1530 HRS, C/3/82 ARTY REGISTERED AT GRID XT107536.

b. PLANS SUMMARY: 196TH LT INF BDE CONTINUES BASE CAMP SECURITY AND AMBUSH ACTIVITY AT TAY NINH. SUPPORT OF BRIGADE FORWARD ELEMENTS CONTINUES.

2.(U) STATISTICAL SUMMARY: NO ENTRIES.

3.(U) CIVIL AFFAIRS: NO ENTRIES

4. (C) BUSHMASTER Operations.

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CG 196TH LT INF BDE

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SITREP 081801 - 091800 Nov 66

1.(C) OPERATIONS SUMMARY.

a. GENERAL. 196TH LT INF BDE (REAR) CONTINUED SECURITY OF TAY NINH BASE CAMP, AMBUSH PATROLLING AND SUPPORT OF BRIGADE OPERATIONS. F/17 CAV CONDUCTED OVERNIGHT AMBUSH PATROLS AT XT175486, XT150549 AND XT175486 WITH NO CONTACT. F/17 CAV CONDUCTED ONE DAYLIGHT RECONAIS- SANCE WITH NO CONTACT. 196TH LT INF BDE REMAINS ATTACHED TO 1ST INFANTRY DIVISION.

(1) 2/1 INF: ELEMENTS OF 1/27 INF AND COMPANY D, SUPPORTED BY MORTAR PLAT (-) SECURED THE BATTALION'S SECTOR OF THE BRIGADE PERIMETER WITH NO CONACT. 2/27 INF OCCUPYING THE BATTALION AREA. AT PLATOON (-) CONTINUING TO PROVIDE SECURITY FOR B/3/13 ARTY (-). ONE SQUAD, MORTAR PLAT ATTACHED TO A/3/82 ARTY.

(2) 3/21 INF: ELEMENTS OF 1/27 INF AND COMPANY D SECURED THE BATTALION'S SECTOR OF THE BRIGADE PERIMETER WITH NO CON- TACT. ONE SQUAD, COMPANY C SECURED THE LATERITE PIT FROM 090700 -

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091800 NOV 66, WITH NO CONTACT. 2/14 INF OCCUPYING THE BATTALION AREA.

(3) 4/31 INF: ELEMENTS OF 1/27 INF AND COMPANY D SECURED THE BATTALION'S SECTOR OF THE BATTALION PERIMETER WITH NO CONTACT. 1/27 INF OCCUPIED THE BATTALION AREA.

(4) 1/27 INF: 1/27 INF REMAINED IN DEFENSE OF THE 196TH LT INF BDE AT TAY NINH AND CONTINUED CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT. COMPANY A CONDUCTED A DAYLIGHT RECONNAISSANCE PATROL TO FAMILIARIZE PERSONNEL WITH SURROUNDING TERRAIN AND TO SELECT FUTURE AMBUSH SITES. NO CONTACT WAS MADE HOWEVER, 60 RECENTLY DUG FOXHOLES, 6 MORTAR POSITIONS, ONE PONCHO, TWO MORTAR FUZE BOXES AND SIX FEET OF ELECTRICAL WIRE WERE LOCATED AT XT146529. ALL ELEMENTS OF THE BATTALION CONDUCTED TRAINING ON 9 NOV 66.

(5) 3/82 ARTY: 3/82 ARTY AND ATTACHED UNITS FIRED 58 H&I MISSIONS FROM 081900 - 090700 NOV 66. TWO TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY WERE ENGAGED IN SUPPORT OF ARVN UNITS (OPERATION BUDDY) WHICH RESULTED IN 4 VCKIA (BC) AT XT175467 AND 4 VCKIA (BC) AT XT165470. TWO REGISTRATION MISSIONS, 2 NAVIGATION MISSIONS, ONE DEFCON AND ONE DESTRUCTION MISSION WERE FIRED DURING THE PERIOD.

b. PLANS SUMMARY: THE 196TH LT INF BDE (REAR) WILL CONTINUE BASE CAMP SECURITY AND AMBUSH PATROLLING AT TAY NINH.

2.(U) STATISTICAL SUMMARY. NO ENTRIES.

3.(U) CIVIL AFFAIRS.

a. CIVIC ACTIONS. 3/21 INF CONDUCTED A MEDCAP AT C&C XP (XT120505) FROM 1400 HRS - 1600 HRS. A TOTAL OF 26 PATIENTS WERE TREATED.

4. (C) BUSHMASTER Operations.

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SITREP 091801 - 101800 Nov 66

1.(C) OPERATIONS SUMMARY.

a. GENERAL. 196TH LT INF BDE (REAR) CONTINUED PERIMETER SECURITY AND AMBUSH PATROLLING AT TAY NINH. F TRP, 17TH CAV CONDUCTED THREE AMBUSH PATROLS. AT 091810 NOV 66, PATROL #2 FROM F TRP RECEIVED AW FIRE FROM ALL SIDES AT XT144523 FROM AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY. THE PATROL WAS ABORTED AND CLOSED TAY NINH AT 092000 NOV 66. AT 092018 NOV 66, 1ST PLAT, F TRP CONDUCTED A RECON VIC XT144523 AND CLOSED BASE CAMP 082230 NOV 66 WITH NO CONTACT. MORTAR POSITIONS WERE LOCATED AT XT149508 AND WERE DESTROYED BY F TRP AT 101100 NOV 66. BETWEEN 101550 NOV 66 AND 101700 NOV 66, THREE AMBUSH PATROLS DEPARTED FOR AMBUSH SITES AT XT139484, XT188534 AND XT143525.

(1) 2/1 INF: ELEMENTS OF COMPANY D SECURED THE BATTALION'S SECTOR OF THE BRIGADE PERIMETER. AT PLAT (-) CONTINUED TO SECURE B/3/13 ARTY AT XT165553. ONE SQUAD, MORTAR PLAT ATTACHED TO A/3/82 ARTY. 2/27 INF CONTINUES TO OCCUPY THE BATTALION ARA AND COMMENCED SECURITY OF THE BATTALION'S SECTOR OF THE BRIGADE PERIMETER AT 101730 NOV 66.

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(2) 3/21 IFN: 3/21 INF (-) COMMENCED AIRLIFT FROM DAU TIENG TO TAY NINH AND AS OF 101800 NOV 66, NOT ALL ELEMENTS HAD CLOSED TAY NINH. CO D (-) SECURED THE BATTALION'S SECTOR OF THE BRIGADE PERIMETER WITH NO CONTACT. ONE SQUAD, COMPANY D SECURED THE LATERITE PIT FROM 100700 - 101800 NOV 66 WITH NO CONTACT.

(3) 4/31 INF: ELEMENTS OF 1/27 INF AND COMPANY D SECURED THE BATTALION'S SECTOR OF THE BRIGADE PERIMETER WITH NO CONTACT. 1/27 INF ASSISTED REAR ELEMENTS OF 4/31 INF IN BASE CAMP IMPROVEMENT DURING THE PERIOD.

(4) 1/27 INF: 1/27 INF PREPARED FOR MOVEMENT TO FORWARD COMBAT BASE (DEL RIO) HOWEVER, DUE TO THE NONAVAILABILITY OF HELICOPTERS, THE MOVEMENT WAS POSTPONED UNTIL 11 NOV 66. 1/27 INF CONDUCTED CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT AND ASSISTED 4/31 INF IN BAE CAMP IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS.

(5) 3/82 ARTY: 3/82 ARTY AND ATTACHED UNITS FIRED 58 H & I MISSIONS FROM 091900 TO 100700 NOV 66. AT 1440 HRS, A/2/13 ARTY REGISTERED. B/3/82 ARTY FIRED ONE REGISTRATION MISSION AND NINE MISSIONS ON SUSPECTED VC LOCATIONS.

2.(C) STATISTICAL SUMMARY:

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TO 98 CHILDREN OF FATHER DU'S GRADE SCHOOL AT CAO XA (XT120505). CAKE
AND JUICE WAS ALSO SERVED TO THE CHILDREN.

b. PSYOPS: NO ENTRIES.
4.(C) BUSHMASTER OPERATIONS.

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CG 25TH INF DIV

SITREP 101801 - 111800 Nov 66

1.(C) OPERATIONS SUMMARY.

a. GENERAL. THE 196TH LT INF BDE TERMINATED OPERATION ATTLEBORO II. 2/1 INF (-) REMAINS ATTACHED TO 1ST INF DIV. 3/21 INF COMPLETED AIR MOVEMENT FROM DAU TIENG TO TAY NINH AT 111230 NOV 66. 4/31 INF RETURNED TO TAY NINH, CLOSING AT 111328 NOV 66. AS OF 111900 NOV 66, ALL ELEMENTS OF 3/82 ARTY HAD NOT CLOSED TAY NINH. F/17 CAV CONDUCTED THREE AMBUSH PATROLS. PATROL #2 FIRED TWO CLAYMORES AT SUSPECTED ENEMY MOVEMENT AT 102020 NOV 66 VIC XT188534. F TRP CONDUCTED SECURITY FOR ENGINEERS WORKING ON THE ROAD ON THE NORTH EAST OF NUI BA DEN. F TRP ENCOUNTERED LANDE MINES, AND RECEIVED SA FIRE SPORADICALLY THROUGHOUT THE OPERATION. F TRP SUFFERED 5 US WIA AND 175 ENGR SUFFERED 2 US WIA. FIREST WERE RETURNED BY F TRP RESULTING IN 4 VC KIA (POSS) AND ONE BUNKER DESTROYED. AIR ACTIVITY IN SUPPORT OF THE BRIGADE ACCOUNTED FOR 10 VCKIA (POSS) VIC XT375480.

(1) 2/1 INF: 2/1 INF (-) REMAINS UNDER OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF 1ST INF DIV. 2/27 INF OCCUPIED THE BATTALION AREA AND

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SECURED THE BATTALION'S SECTOR OF THE BRIGADE PERIMETER SUPPORTED BY MORTAR PLAT, 2/1 INF.

(2) 3/21 INF: 3/21 IFN CLOSED TAY NINH BASE CAMP AT 111230 NOV 66. ONE SQUAD, COMPANY D, SECURED THE LATERITE PIT FROM 0700 - 1800 HRS WITH NO CONTACT. ONE PLAT COMPANY D, AND ONE PLAT HHC SECURED THE BATTALION'S SECTOR OF THE BRIGADE PERIMETER WITH NO CONTACT.

(3) 4/31 INF: 4/31 INF CLOSED TAY NINH AT 111328 NOV 66 WITH NO CONTACT. COMPANY D SECURED TYHE BATTALION'S SECTOR OF THE BRIGADE PERIMETER WITH NO CONTACT.

(4) 3/82 ARTY: 3/82 ARTY AND ATTACHED UNITS FIRED 57 H&I MISSIONS FROM 101900 - 110700 NOV 66. FIELD ELEMENTS OF 3/82 ARTY COMMENCED MOVE TO TAY NINH BY C-123 FROM DAU TIENG AT 111300 NOV 66. AT THE END OF THIS REPORTING PERIOD, ALL ELEMENTS HAD NOT CLOSED TAY NINH. DURING THE PERIOD, TWO REGISTRATION WERE FIRED AND THREE DEFCONS WERE REGISTERED.

b. PLANS SUMMARY. 2/1 INF WILL RETURN TO TAY NINH OR 12 NOV 66. 4/31 INF (-) WILL CONDUCT S&D OPERATIONS FROM VIC XT300580 TO XT271611. 3/21 INF IS 25TH DIV REACTION FORCE.

c. MAJOR UNIT OPERATIONS.

ATTLEBORO 196 BDE S&D 140730 SEP 66
TAY NINH TO FIND, FIX AND
DESTROY ENEMY FORCE,
EQUIPMENT AND INSTALLATIONS
IN TAY NINH.

2/1 INF, 3/21 INF,
4/31 INF,
1/82 ARTY,
1/27 INF,
2/27 INF

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2.(C) STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

c. C-1 TAY NINH S&D ATTLEBORO 111600H NOV/TERM

d. NO ENTRIES.

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<u>k5B</u>	<u>k5C</u>	<u>k5D</u>
TAY NINH	102020H(N)	F/17CAV/NONE
TAY NINH	110955H(D)/111010H(D)	F/17CAV/6 175E/

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SITREP 111801 - 121800 Nov 66

1.(C) Operation Summary:

a. General. 196th Lt Inf Bde initiated a battalion minus S&D operation with 4/31 Inf (-) moving to a field location at XT316584. 2/1 Inf returned to TAY NINH base camp. 3/21 Inf initiated a company size operation vicinity TAY NINH base camp. F/17 Cav security element closed TAY NINH base camp at 112200 Nov 66. One overnight ambush patrol was conducted by F/17 Cav with no contact. Elements of F/17 Cav, providing route security for 4/31 Inf (-), destroyed one bunker and 4 VC KIA (Poss), at 121035 Nov 66. Element has not closed base camp at the time of this report. Two platoons (-), F/17 Cav commenced route security from TAY NINH to SUOI DA at 120942. Elements have not closed base camp at the time of this report. 196th Lt Inf Bde position of the TAY NINH base camp received mortar fire at 111940 to 120220 Nov 66. A total of eighty 82mm mortar rounds were received resulting in a total of 2 US KIA and 55 US WIA of which 2 KIA and 36 WIA were

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(1) 2/1 Inf. At 120910 Nov 66, recon plat departed TAY NINH to attempt to locate enemy mortar positions. At 121025 Nov 66, the recon plat returned with negative results. At 121550 Nov 66, 2/1 Inf (-) completed airlift back to TAY NINH. At 121600 Nov 66, Co B departed TAY NINH to establish an ambush patrol base at XT157542 and will conduct overnight ambush patrols. Co A, Co B and Co D (-) in defense of base camp. AT plat (-) continues to provide security for B/3/13 Arty (-) at XT165553.

(2) 3/21 Inf. Co A conducted two squad size ambush patrols from 111745 to 120730 Nov 66. At 2225 hrs vic XT133515, an unknown number of VC with four mortar tubes were engaged with M16 and M79 fire resulting in 2 VC KIA (Poss). The VC broke and fled. Pursuit of the VC was not possible due to friendly counter-mortar fires. At 2350 hrs, the patrol called arty fire on a VC mortar position at XT 124525 and the VC fled with the results of the arty fire unknown. The other ambush at XT 158493 had no contact. At 121700 Nov 66, Co A moved to area TIGER (vic XT 138530) and area BEAR (vic XT 162494) to establish ambush patrol bases. One squad, Co D secured the laterite pit from 120700 - 121800 Nov 66 with no contact.

(3) 4/31 Inf. Co D secured the battalion sector of the brigade perimeter. At 120630 Nov 66, Co C departed base camp by convoy with AT plat and Co D(-) providing security. Co C secured the road (ROADRUNNER) from XT 336577 to XT 289625 and established a fire support base. When the base was secured, 4/31 Inf (-) commenced move from TAY NINH to XT 316584, closing at 121220 Nov 66.

45 H&I missions from 111900 - 120700 Nov 66. 3/82 Arty fired a total of 931 HE, 24 WP and 68 ILL rounds, as suppressive fires, against VC mortar locations. At 121015 Nov 66, C/3/82 Arty moved by convoy to XT318583 and established a fire support base for 4/31 Inf operations vicinity of NUI BA DEN.

b. Plans Summary. 196th Lt Inf Bde will continue ambush patrolling at TAY NINH with 9 ambush patrols from 2/1 Inf and 3/21 Inf. 4/31 Inf will continue operations vic NUI BA DEN (XT 2858). All elements of 4/31 will conduct ambush patrols to prevent mining of road at XT 323582, XT 308585, XT302589, XT 299591, XT 289593, XT 289598, XT 295601, XT 293604 and XT280616. On 13 Nov 66, 4/31 Inf will conduct limited S&D operations from XT 300575 to XT271611. 3/82 Arty will continue to support 4/31 Inf operations and will place H&I fires on likely areas for enemy mortar positions.

a. Major Unit Operations

(1)	N name	196 Bde	S&D	120630H	
	TAY NINH	XT 316584	to find, fix and		4/31 Inf/Init
			destroy VC forces		
			and installations		

(2) US Losses: None

2.(C) Statistical Summary:

c.	C-1	TAY NINH	XT316584	No name	120630H	Nov/Init
d.	d-1	196 Bde		4/31 Inf,	A/3/82 Arty	C-1
		None	None	No	No	

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TAY NINH/XT293588	121605H(D)	F/17 Cav/ None	UNK/UNK	Route security
TAY NINH/XT133515	112225H(n)	3/21 Inf/ NONE	UNK/UNK	Ambush

3. (U) Civil Affairs: No entries.

4. (C) BUSHMASTER operation:

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SITREP 121801 - 131800 Nov 66

1.(C) Operation Summary:

a. General. 196th Lt Inf Bde continued ambush patrolling vic TAY NINH base camp. 4/31 Inf (-) conducted overnight ambush patrolling to secure the road NE of NUI BA DEN. F/17 Cav conducting route security (ROADRUNNER) from TAY NINH to SUOI DA, closed TAY NINH at 121914 Nov 66. At 130640 Nov 66, F/17 Cav resumed route security (ROADRUNNER) from TAY NINH to SUOI DAU. At 0735 hrs, a M-151 hit a 105mm expedient land mine at XT 295527 resulting in 3 US WIA and 1 M151 destroyed. At 0905 hrs, a wrecker dispatched to retrieve the M151 hit a 105mm expedient mine at XT 292523 resulting in 2 US WIA and damage to the wrecker (full extent of damage not completely determined). F/17 Cav located two other arty shells (one 105mm and one 155mm) at XT 298528, which were destroyed in place. Elements of the 1st plat escorted one VTR and one low boy from TAY NINH to XT 292523 and XT 295527 (ROADRUNNER). Elements of 1st Plat also provided escort for elements of 588 Engr from TAY NINH to

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SUOI DAU (ROADRUNNER).

(1) 2/1 Inf. Co B closed TAY NINH from overnight ambush base at 130900 Nov 66. Six ambush patrols were conducted with no enemy contact. At 1420 hrs, Co A dispatched TAY NINH to establish patrol base. Co C remained in defense of base camp supported by mortar plat Co D. At 1933 hrs, Co C received one rifle grenade at XT 167525 resulting in 4 US WIA.

(2) 3/21 Inf. Co A conducted 6 reinforced squad size ambush patrols with no contact. Co D secured the battalion's sector of the brigade perimeter. At 121935 Nov 66, bunker #8 (XT 157510) received 2 rounds of sniper fire from vic XT 159509. The sniper exact location could not be determined and fire was not returned. One squad, Co C secured the laterite pit from 130700 - 131800 Nov 66 with no contact.

(4) 4/31 Inf. 4/31 Inf (-) continued operations NE of NUI BA DEN. 4/31 Inf (-) conducted 9 overnight ambush patrols. At 121913 Nov 66, ambush patrol at XT 293604 engaged 1 VC with M16 fire with unknown results. The patrol then moved to XT 294603 and at 1926 hrs engaged suspected VC movement with unknown results. No further contact ensued. None of the other eight ambushes had contact. At first light elements were dispatched to clear the road NE of NUI BA DEN of mines and check for enemy ambushes. Squad size elements patrolled the road for the duration of the day with no contact.

Platoon size S&D operations were conducted vic XT 290597, XT 296790, XT 300585 and XT 275611 by Co A and Co C. Co B conducted S&D operations throughout area bounded by route 13 on the east; 500 meters south of route 243 on the south, 1 kilometer north of route 243 on the north and bounded on the west by a line from XT 304581 to XT 310602. At 131455 Nov 66, one squad, Co C received fire from an estimated VC platoon at XT 278608 resulting in 2 US KIA and 3 US WIA. Elements returned fire and withdrew under cover of artillery fire and smoke. Enemy losses are unknown. Bn CP presently colocated with Co B at XT 315584. Co C located at XT 284619 and Co A located at XT 284619. One US WIA resulted from a malfunction of a LAW. (This WIA is in addition to the three mentioned above).

(4) 3/82 Arty. 3/82 Arty and attached units fired 109 H&I missions from 121900 - 130700 Nov 66. At 0900 hrs, Btry A commenced firing 15 daytime H&I missions at suspected VC mortar locations. Btry C, in support of 4/31 Inf, fired seven support missions. At 1500 hrs, Btry C fired in support of elements of Co C, 4/31 Inf at XT 278606.

b. Plans Summary. 196th Lt Inf Bde will conduct ambush patrol vic TAY NINH base camp. 4/31 Inf (-) will continue S&D operations NE of NUI BA DEN.

c. Major Unit Operations:

- (1) 4/31 Inf operation continuing.
- (2) US Losses

(cumulative) 2 4 0 0 0/0

2.(C) Statistical Summary:

c. C-1 TAY NINH XT 275610 No Name 131455H Nov/Cont
d. D-1 196 Bde C-1 131455H(D)/131500H(D) En 2F4C USAF No

k3 D1 Plat/UNK 2 3 0 0 0 0

k4. No entries.

k5. 15
k5A 2

<u>k5B</u>	<u>k5C</u>	<u>k5D</u>
TAY NINH/XT 295527	130735H(D)	F/17 Cav/3 WIA/1 M151 & 1 wrecker damaged
TAY NINH/XT 159509	121935H(N)	3/21 Inf/None

<u>k5E</u>	<u>k5F</u>
None/None	route security (landmine)
None/None	perimeter security

Three additional sorties of USAF F100 aircraft were flown in support of the 196th Lt Inf Bde on trenches and bunkers at XT 262736. All ordnance was on target with 70% coverage of the target.

3.(U) Civil Affairs:

a. Civic Actions: No entries.

b. PSYOPS: At 131545 Nov 66, 2,500 safe conduct passes were dropped on the northeast side of NUI BA DEN.

4. (C) BUSHMASTER operations:

a. 0

b. 0

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SITREP 131801 - 141800 Nov 66

1.(C) Operation Summary:

a. General. 196th Lt Inf Bde continued ambush patrolling vic TAY NINH base camp. 4/31 Inf (-) continued S&D operations NE of NUI BA DEN. F/17 Cav continued route security mission (ROADRUNNER) from TAY NINH to SOUI DAU. The second plat, F/17 Cav closed 2d Bde, 25th Inf Div location at 132240 Nov 66 and remained overnight. At 140615 Nov 66, the platoon commenced ROADRUNNER operation from XT282680 to XT285618. as of 1800 hrs, the plat had not closed base camp. At 141108 Nov 66, 3d platoon, F/17 Cav departed TAY NINH to escort 2d Bde elements to XT282280 and closed base camp at 1415 hrs. At 1251 hrs, the 3rd plat, F/17 Cav departed TAY NINH to locate and search 6 oxcarts. At 1510 hrs, the oxcarts were located and searched at XT181513. Nothing unusual was found in the oxcarts. At 1700 hrs, the 3rd plat, F/17 Cav apprehended a female VCS at XT181513 and subsequently turned in to brigade. 2/1 Inf (-) continued search and clear operations on route 26 and moved to AO Blue.

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(1) 2/1 Inf at 141000 Nov 66, 2/1 Inf (-) plus attachments commenced motor march to AO BLUE to secure and clear roads 26 from XT208586 to XT371422 and to conduct operations to AO BLUE. At 141235 Nov 66, 2/1 Inf (-) relieved 2/22 Inf in place and established security on route 13 as follows: Co A from XT333462 to XT371424, Co B from XT291501 to XT309486, and Co C from XT309483 to XT333462. Co D (-) remained at TAY NINH to secure the battalion's sector of the brigade perimeter.

(2) 3/21 Inf: 3/21 Inf (-) remained at TAY NINH. Co B conducted six ambushes vic TAY NINH base camp with no contact. Co D secured the battalion's sector of the brigade perimeter. One squad, Co A secured the laterite pit from 140700 - 141800 Nov 66 with no contact. One plat, Co C moved by motor march to secure B/3/13 Arty (-) (XT165553) at 0715 hrs closing TRANG SUP at 0810 hrs (ROADRUNNER). AT plat, Co D conducted ROADRUNNER and convoy security mission from XT174507 to XT194908 to XT180535 and return from 140715 to 141030 Nov 66. Recon plat, Co D conducted an EAGLE FLIGHT to Vic XT198545 from 1455 to 1610 hrs. The area was searched for 20-30 reported VC. At 1515 hrs. 1 VCS was apprehended with a mortar round casing hidden the oxcart at XT158548. The plat closed base camp at 1610 hrs.

(3) 4/3 Inf: Co D secured the battalion's sector of the brigade perimeter. Flashing lights were observed and flare ships were dispatched with negative results. At 1332 hrs, bunker 21 observed 20 personnel digging at XT158545. A helicopter was dispatched to check the area and the individuals withdrew. 4/31 Inf (-) continued operations NE of NUI BA DEN. Twelve ambush patrols were established overnight with no contact. At 0730 hrs, airstrikes were made at

XT286600 and XT275610. At 1000 hrs Co C departed to recover 2 KIA from XT274008. At 1058 hrs, Co C received sniper fire from XT274609, fire was returned and Co C preceded to recover the two KIA. The results of the encounter were 1 USKIA and 4 USWIA. Enemy casualties are unknown. At 1325 hrs, Co C received heavy SA and AW fire from caves vic XT274605, and XT276608. Airstrikes were called resulting in 15 caves entrances collapsed and 20VCKBA (Poss). Co B located and evacuated a basket of documents from XT324585.

(4) 3/82 Arty: 3/82 Arty and attached units fired 86 H & I missions from 1321 to 140500 Nov 66. C/3/82 Arty supporting 4/31 Inf vic NUI BA DEN fired 2 support missions, 1 registration and registered one DEFCON. Btry C fired at a sustained rate of fire for approximately 3 hours until all ammo was expended. At 1200 hrs, 8/6th Arty located SOUI DAU commenced reinforcing the fires of C/3/82 Arty until contact was broken. Resupply of Btry C was completed at 1440 hrs. 3/82 Arty at TAY NINH fired 2 navigation missions and registered two DEFCONS. A/2/77 Arty fired one registration.

b. Plans Summary. 196th Lt Inf Bde continues ambush patrolling the TAY NINH base camp. 2/1 Inf will continue security of route 26. 4/31 Inf will continue operations NE of NUI BA DEN. C/3/82 Arty will fire preplanned fire on NUI BA DEN in support of movement of 2/27 Inf. 3/21 Inf commences 4 hour alert status during daylight hours.

a. Major Unit Operations.

- (1) 4/31 Inf Opn Cont
ATTLEBORO 196 Bde Route security 141245H
TAY NINH XT297?10 To secure route 26 2/1 Inf/Init

(2) US Losses								
(Cumulative) (4/31 Inf opn)	3	8	0	106	0/0			
ATTLEBORO	0	0	0	0	0/0			

2.(C) Statistical Summary.

c. C-1 TAY NINH/XT316583 S&D No None 151054H None/Cont
 C-2 TAY NINH/XT297501 Rte Security ATTLEBORO N/A

d. D 1 196 Bde D1 141050H(D) 141500H(D) Bn 3F5; 2/F4C No
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D 2 196 Bde D2 NA/NA NA No No

k3 D1 UNK/UNK 1 4 0 0 0 0
 d2 No entries.

k4 No entries.

k5 14

3.(U) Civil Affairs.

a. Civic Actions: No entries
 b. PSYOPS: 4/31 Inf supported by PSYOPS team made one broad-
 cast toward NUI BA DEN.

4.(C) BUSHMASTER Operations.

a. 0
 b. 0

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SITREP 141801 - 151800 Nov 66

1.(C) Operation Summary:

a. General. 196th Lt Inf Bde continued ambush patrolling vicinity TAY NINH, operation ATTLEBORO, route security in support of the 25th Inf Div operations and operations NE of NUI BA DEN. At 141918 Nov 66, 2d plat, F/17 Cav closed base camp from route security mission (ROADRUNNER) which was conducted from XT 282680 to XT285618. At 2040 hrs, the 1st plat closed base camp from route security mission from TAY NINH to SUOI DAU (ROADRUNNER). At 0628 hrs, the 3d plat, F/17 Cav commenced route security mission (ROADRUNNER) from TAY NINH to SUOI DAU. At 1050 hrs, one VCS was apprehended with a length of electrical wire in his possession. At 1110 hrs a woman professing to be the VCS wife was also apprehended. At 0650 hrs, 1st plat, F/17 Cav commenced route security mission from TAY NINH to SUOI DAU. At 0945 hrs, a M151 with three personnel aboard hit a mine at XT283665 resulting in 1 M151 destroyed and 3 US KIA. At 1210 hrs, the plat destroyed 1 105 shell rigged for pressure detonation at

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XT282673. At 0940 hrs, elements of 2d plat, F/17 Cav departed to establish blocking position to preclude VCS at XT 146533 from escaping to the south and onto route 13. While in the area the following was destroyed: 2 mortar positions, 7 foxholes at XT 156525; 4 mortar positions, 1 machine gun position, 18 foxholes at XT147521; and a hole 3 ft wide at XT146534. All of the positions were destroyed. At 1530 hrs, 2d plat, F/17 Cav commenced security mission (ROADRUNNER) from TAY NINH to XT 282680 and remain overnight.

(1) 2/1 Inf: 2/1 Inf continued route security mission (ROADRUNNER) on route 26. Co D (-) remained in defense of base camp with no contact.

(2) 3/21 Inf. 3/21 Inf conducted seven ambush patrols vic TAY NINH with no contact. One plat, Co B and one plat, Co D secured the battalion area with no contact. One plat, Co C secured 155mm howitzer battery at XT 165553. On squad secured the laterite pit with no contact. One plat, Co B conducted an EAGLE FLIGHT to XT 146553. Co D established a squad (+) blocking force at XT 175536. The search revealed 15 oxcarts, 30 personnel and 4 huts. All were searched and nothing out of the ordinary was found.

(3) 4/31 Inf. 4/31 Inf (-) established 10 overnight ambush patrols NE of NUI BA DEN along route 243 with no contact. The battalion continued securing route 243. There was no enemy contact throughout the day.

(4) 3/82 Arty: 3/82 Arty and attached units fired 117 H&I missions from 142100 - 150500 Nov 66. At 0740 hrs, Btry C fired a preparation to support move of 2/22 Inf. Btry C also fired suppressive fires at XT 298586. In addition, Btry C fired 2 support

missions and registered 5 DEFCONS. A/2/27 (-) attached to 3/82 Arty, priority of fires to 2/1 Inf registered one DEFCON and fired one registration mission. B/3/13 Arty (-) fired 3 unobserved targets of opportunity. 3/82 Arty fired 2 unobserved missions at possible 65 VC in woods at XT 145465 and 15 VC at XT 153494. At 1500 hrs, one 8" howitzer attached to B/3/13 Arty moved to XT284618. The howitzer destroyed 30 caves. One plat, B/3/13 Arty (-) destroyed one house and damaged another at XT117597 and XT063537 respectively. B/3/82 Arty conducted a HB registration.

b. Plans Summary: 196th Inf Bde continues ambush patrolling vic TAY NINH base camp. 2/1 Inf (-) will continue security of route 26. 4/31 Inf will continue operations NE of NUI BA DEN. 3/21 Inf continues on 4 hour alert status during daylight hours.

c. Major Unit Operations:

- (1) 4/31 Inf opn continuing.
ATTLEBORO continuing.
- (2) US Losses:

(cumulative) (4/31 Inf opn)	3	8	0	3M16	0/0
ATTLEBORO	0	0	0	0	0/0

2.(C) Statistical Summary:]

- c. C-1 TAY NINH/XT316583 S&D No Name NA/NA
C-2 TAY NINH/XT297501 Route security ATTLEBORO NA/NA
- d. D-1 196 Bde C-1 NA/NA NA No No
D-2 196 Bde C-2 NA/NA NA No No

k3-k4 No entries.

k5 15

Forty sorties were flown in support of the 196th Lt Inf Bde. Four huts were destroyed. Surveillance was impaired on other targets due to weather and smoke in the areas.

3.(U) Civil Affairs: No entries.

4.(C) BUSHMASTER operations:

a. 0

b. 0

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SITREP 151801 - 161800 Nov 66

1.(C) Operation Summary:

a. General. 196th Lt Inf Bde continued ambush patrolling at TAY NINH. 2/1 Inf (-) continued security of route 26. 4/31 Inf continued security of route 243. 3/21 Inf continued on 4 hour alert (daylight) status. F/17 Cav conducted ROADRUNNER as follows: from XT282680 to XT285618, from TAY NINH to SUOI DAU.

(1) 2/1 Inf: 2/1 Inf continued security of route 26 in sector and conducted saturation patrolling in AO BLUE. Six ambush overnight patrols were conducted vicinity of route 26 in AO BLUE. At 0815 hrs Co C discovered and destroyed a home made mine at XT335459. At 0900 hrs, Co C conducting a search of village discovered (at XT322456) a suitcase of documents, medical supplies, a home made gun and 4 VCS, Equipment and documents were evacuated and VCS were turned over to IPW team. At 1010 hrs, Co C discovered one home made mine at XT336459 and at XT337459. Mines were destroyed. At 1500 hrs, patrol of Co C 16 2044 observed 2 male personnel at XT330459. Patrol move to investigate Nov 1966

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but individuals were not apprehended. At XT328461 the patrol located 2 huts, one of which had a tunnel 6 x 4 x 8 ft long. The tunnel and huts were empty and were not destroyed. At 1600 hrs all patrols returned to base camp. Co D (-) remained in defense of the battalion sector of the brigade perimeter.

(2) 3/21 Inf: 3/21 Inf remained on 4 hour alert status during daylight hours. 3/21 Inf conducted 8 overnight ambush patrols vic TAY NINH with no contact. Two platoons, Co A secured the laterite pit from 151815 to 160700 Nov 66 with no contact. One plat, Co A and one plat, Co D secured the battalion sector of the brigade perimeter. At 2030 hrs, bunker #2 received 3 rds SA fire from an unknown location. Two squads, Co D secured the laterite pit from 160700 to 161800 Nov 66 with no contact. Co C provided 30 shotgunners for security of 588th Engr trucks hauling laterite from 151815 to 160700 Nov 66. One plat, Co C secured 155m m battery at XT165553 during the period.

(3) 4/31 Inf: 4/31 Inf (-) continued operation ATTLEBORO northeast of NUI BA DEN. Six overnight ambushes were established overnight along route 243 with no contact. 4/31 Inf (-) secured route 243 during the day with no contact. S&D operation and limited probes to the base of NUI BA DEN were conducted with no contact. Co D (-) continues to secure the battalion sector of the brigade perimeter.

(4) 3/82 Arty: 3/82 Arty and attached units fired 120 H&I missions from 152100 to 160500 Nov 66. C/3/82 Arty continued to support 4/31 Inf operations. Six DEFCONS were registered and two support missions were fired. At 152300 Nov 66, Btry C fired on 7 VC at XT284660, surveillance 7 VC KIA (Poss). During the period 3/82 Arty fired 5 navigation missions, one tgt of opportunity and one illumination mission.

B/3/13 Arty (-) fired one illumination mission for USSF and CIDG (operation BUDDY) at XT 140580.

b. Plans Summary. 196th Lt Inf Bde continues operation ATTLEBORO with 2/1 Inf continuing security of route 26 and 4/31 Inf continuing security of route 243. Extensive ambush patrolling will continue in vic of TAY NINH base camp. 3/21 Inf will continue on 4 hour daylight alert status.

c. Major Unit Operations:

(1) ATTLEBORO (4/31 Inf & 2/1 Inf).

(2) US Losses

(cumulative) (4/31 Inf)	3	8	0	3M16	0/0
(2/1 Inf)	0	0	0	0	0/0

2.(C) Statistical Summary:

c. C-1 TAY NINH/XT316583	S&D	ATTLEBORO	NA/NA	
C-2 TAY NINH/XT297501	Security	ATTLEBORO	NA/NA	
d. D-1 196 Bde	C-1 NA/NA	NA	4 F100 USAF	No
D-2 196 Bde	C-2 NA/NA	NA	No	No

k3-k4 No entries.

k5 14

K5A 1

k5B

k5C

k5D

k5E

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TAY NINH/XT165512 152030H(N) None/None UNK/UNK Perimeter security

3 F5s and 6 F100s, USAF conducted strikes in support of 196 Bde. Results of are unknown.

3.(U) Civil Affairs:

a. Civic Actions. 3/21 Inf conducted a MEDCAP at CAO XA (XT120505) 30 Vietnamese were treated for URIs and one ¾ ton truck load of 106mm shell casings were donated to Father Du for construction purposes.

b. PSYOPS: PSYOPS team operated with 4/31 Inf. Number and type of operations are unknown at this time.

4.(C) BUSHMASTER operations:

- a. 0
- b. 0

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SITREP 161801 - 171800 Nov 66

1.(C) Operation Summary:

a. General. 196th Lt Inf Bde continued operation ATTLEBORO with 2/1 Inf continuing security of route 26 in AO BLUE and 4/31 Inf continuing security of route 243 NE of NUI BA DEN. 3/21 Inf remained on four hour daylight alert status. F/17 Cav continued to secure route 13 from TAY NINH to SUIO DAU, and from XT284618 to 2d Bde, 25th Inf Div forward base camp. At 1020 hrs, F/17 Cav engaged 2 VC at XT291588 resulting in 2 VC KIA (poss) and one bunker destroyed. At 1104 hrs, F/17 Cav observed 2 VC at XT 278570. VC were engaged by artillery fire resulting in 2 VC KIA (poss) and one cave approximately three quarters destroyed. At 1510 hrs, F/17 Cav called artillery fire on 8 structures vic XT 278570 resulting in one structure destroyed and seven damaged. 196th Lt Inf Bde continued ambush patrolling vic TAY NINH.

(1) 2/1 Inf: 2/1 Inf (-) continued operation 17 2115
ATTLEBORO. At 161815 Nov 66, 35-40 VN civilians were checked at Nov 1966
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XT362430. Search of oxcarts and check of ID papers revealed nothing unusual and all papers were in order. The battalion conducted five ambush patrols along route 26 in AO BLUE. At 162225 Nov 66, HHC, 2/1 Inf fired three claymore mines at enemy movement at XT295503. A fourth explosion occurred in the area which was believed to be an enemy grenade. There were no friendly casualties and enemy losses resulting from the encounter are unknown. At 2250 hrs, Co B fired one claymore at enemy movement at XT31557. Resultant enemy casualties are not known. At 0900 hrs, a VN female turned in a leaflet to the battalion S-2. The leaflet was a VC propaganda leaflet and was distributed in PHOUC HOA village (XT292500) at 162400 Nov 66. From 0800 to 1600 hours, Co B and Co C conducted three saturation patrols each. At 1110 hrs, Co B captured three documents at XT312484 which were evacuated to brigade S-2. At 1230 hrs, the battalion command post and supporting artillery displaced to XT340448. Co D (-) remained at TAY NINH and secure the battalion's sector of the brigade perimeter.

(2) 3/21 Inf: 3/21 Inf remained at TAY NINH on four hour daylight alert status. 3/21 Inf conducted seven overnight ambush patrols vic TAY NINH with no contact. At 0900 hrs, a patrol from Co C destroyed a boobytrapped crossbow in place. Two platoons of Co B secured the laterite pit overnight with no contact and provided 30 shot-gunners for security of 588 Engr vehicles during overnight laterite convoy operation. Co D provided 4 gun jeeps for 588th Engr laterite convoy operations. Two squads, Co D secured the laterite pit from 0700 to 1800 hrs with no contact. One platoon Hq Co and one platoon

Co D secured the battalion's sector of the brigade perimeter. At 2035 hours, bunker 18 received 2 rounds of SA fire vic XT157509. Exact source of SA fire could not be located and fire was not returned. One plat, Co C secured 155mm battery at XT16553 during the period.

(3) 4/31 Inf: 4/31 Inf continued to secure route 243. 4/31 Inf conducted six overnight ambushes along route 243 with no contact. Limited probe to the base of NUI BA DEN were conducted. At 1240 hours, Co A received two rounds of SA fire at XT239596 and returned fire with SA and AW. Enemy casualties resulting from the encounter are not known. At 1320 hrs, Co B received approximately 100 rounds AW and SA fire at XT257619, fire was returned with SA, AW and 90mm gun fire with undetermined results. Co D (-) secured the battalion's sector of the brigade perimeter. At 1955 hours, Co D reported observing a flashing light at XT152254.

(4) 3/82 Arty: 3/82 Arty and attached units fired 93 H&I missions from 162000 to 170600 Nov 66. C/3/82 Arty supporting 4/31 Inf vic NUI BA DEN fired 9 support missions destroying one cave, 1 structure and 2 VC KIA (Poss). A/2/27 Inf (-) supporting 2/1 Inf fired 1 support mission. Btry A fired four target of opportunity missions. Btry B registered two DEFCONS. From 2120 hrs to 2308 hrs Btry B fired 11 missions in support of ARVN outpost (operation BUDDY). 3/82 Arty (-) and attachments fired unobserved mission at a suspected VC storage area (XT115543) and a suspected VC supply dump (XT 125586).

b. Plans Summary: 196th Lt Inf Bde will continue operation ATTLEBORO with 2/1 Inf and 3/21 Inf continuing present mission. 4/31 Inf will return to TAY NINH NLT 181000 Nov 66. At 181100 Nov 66 an RCA strike will be conducted vic XT267607, followed by TAC air.

- a. Major Unit Operations:
 (1) ATTLEBORO continuing.
 (2) US Losses:

(cumulative)	(4/31 Inf)	3	8	0	3	M16	0/0
	(2/1 Inf)	0	0	0	0		0/0

2.(C) Statistical Summary:

c. C-1 TAY NINH/XT340448 Security ATTLEBORO 162225H Nov/Cont
 C-2 TAY NINH/XT297501 Security ATTLEBORO 171240H Nov/Cont

d. D-1 196 Bde C-1 162225H(N)/162230H(N) FR No No
 D-2 196 Bde C-2 171240H(D)/171250H(D) En No No

k3-k4. No entries.

k5. 10
 k5A. 4

<u>k5B</u>	<u>k5C</u>	<u>k5D</u>	<u>k5E</u>
TAY NINH/XT291586	171020H(D)	F/17 Cav/None	UNK/2 VC KIA (Poss)
TAY NINH/XT278570	171104H(D)	F/17 Cav/None	UNK/2VC KIA (poss)
TAY NINH/XT157510	162035H(N)	3/21 Inf/None	UNK/UNK
TAY NINH/XT152554	161955H(N)	4/31 Inf/None	UNK/UNK

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Rte security
 Rte security
 Perimeter security
 Perimeter security

Fourteen sorties were flown by USAF in support of the 196th Lt Inf Bde.

3. (U) Civil Affairs:

a. Civic Actions: No entries.

b. PSYOPS: PSYOPS team operated with 4/31 Inf. Number of operations are unknown.

4.(C) BUSHMASTER operations:

a. 0

b. 0

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1.(C) Operation Summary:

a. General. 196th Lt Inf Bde continued operation ATTLEBORO with 2/1 Inf (-) conducting security of route 26 in sector and conducting search and destroy operation in AO BLUE. 3/21 Inf remained on four hour alert status at TAY NINH. 4/31 Inf (-) terminated security operation NE of NUI BA DEN. At 171925 Nov 66, all elements of F/17th Cav closed TAY NINH from route security mission (between SOUI DAU and TAY NINH. At 180545 Nov 66, 1st Plat, F/17 Cav departed to secure the route between TAY NINH and SOUI DAU. At 0749 hrs, the plat located a possible mine in the road at XT209550. It was determined, after investigation that the mine had already been destroyed, wire and battery box were found. As of the time of this report 1st plat, F/17 Cav had not closed TAY NINH. Two sorties of CH-47 conducted on RCA strike vic XT165605 from 1120 hrs to 1210 hrs. The second sortie received SA fire from the target area which was 18 2200 suppressed with AS. Three sorties of F100 aircraft followed the RCA Nov 1966

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strike. All munitions were on target. Enemy Casualties were undetermined.

(1) 2/1 Inf: 2/1 Inf conducted six overnight ambush patrols along route 26 with no contact. Co A secured Btry A, 2/77 Arty and secured route 26 in sector. At 0830 hrs, Co was engaged by 20 VC at XT381461. Fire was returned resulting in 1 VCKIA (BC), 2 VCKIA (Poss), 1 rifle, 1 pistol, 1 protective mask (US), 1 black uniform and personal papers were captured. At 1115 hours, 1 VCS was captured at XT 360459 and subsequently turned over to IPW team. Co B secured route 26 in sector and conducted a two platoon heliborne assault from XT305400 to XT336505. No contact was made with the enemy. Co C secured route 26 in sector.

(2) 3/21 Inf: 3/21`continued on four hour daylight alert status. Co B conducted three overnight ambushes with no contact. Co C conducted four overnight ambushes with no contact. One plat Co C, continued to secure 155mm howitzer battery at XT165553. On platoon Co D, and one platoon HHC secured the battalion's sector of the brigade perimeter with sporadic engagements between 1920 hrs and 2340 hrs. During the engagements the enemy employed small arms, semi-automatic weapons, automatic weapons and rifle grenades. Fire was returned with small arms, machine gun, mortar, and shotgun fire. The encounters resulted in one USWIA and 1 VCKIA (Poss). Two squads, Co D secured the laterite pit from 0700 to 1800 hrs. At 1145 hrs, the element received one round of sniper fire from an undetermined location. At 1400 hrs, one plat, Co C commenced move to ambush base. At 1510 hrs, one VCS was apprehended at XT170493. The VCS was evacuated to MP control.

(3) 4/31 Inf: 4/31 Inf continued route security mission NE of NUI BA DEN by conducting eight overnight ambushes and two LPs along route 143 with no contact. At 0805 hrs, the battalion commenced movement to TAY NINH closing at 1140 and terminating this phase of operation ATTLEBORO. Co D(-) secured the battalion's sector of the brigade perimeter. From 1206 hours to 0100 hrs, bunker #17 observed a flashing light at XT150500. Light was not engaged.

(4) 3/82 Arty: 3/82 Arty and attached units fired 74 H & I missions from 171900 to 180600 Nov 66. C/1/82 Arty registered 9 DEFCONS for 4/31 Inf. At 0940 hrs, Btry C commenced movement to TAY NINH, closing at 1134. A/2/77 Arty (-) continued attached to 3/82 Arty and in support of 2/1 Inf (-). A/2/77 Arty (-) fired one registration, registered 4 DEFCONS and engaged VC in the open at XT348488 and XT370495. Btry D, 3/13 Arty fired 2 support missions for USAF and Vietnamese forces (Operation Buddy) at XT132578 and XT140580. A/3/82 Arty registered 1 DEFCON and fired 1 registration. E/3/82 Arty fired 1 registration and 3 targets of opportunity. VC in open were observed at XT106525 and XT007519 and one sampan at XT185435. Surveillance indicated 3 VCKIA (Poss) and one structure destroyed.

(5) 8th Spt: The armament section conducted a BUDDY operation for the ARVN Training Center at TAY NINH City. The team which was dispatched cleaned small arms, machine guns and rocket launcher.

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bunkers damaged.

b. Plans summary. 196th Lt Inf Bde will continue operation ATTLEBORO with 2/1 Inf continuing to secure route 26. 3/21 Inf remains on 4 hour daylight alert status. 196th Lt Inf Bde will continue ambush patrolling at TAY NINH.

- c. Major Unit Operations.
(1) ATTELBORO continuing.
(2) US LOSSES

(Cumulative)	(4/31 Inf)	3	8	0	3M16	0/0
	(2/1 Inf)	0	0	0	0	0/0

2.(C) Statistical Summary.

C-1	TAY NINH XT380148	Security	ATTLEBORO	180050H	Nov/Cont
C-1	TAY NINH XT297581	Security	ATTLEBORO	181140H	Nov/Cont
D-1	196 Bde C-1 NA/NA	NA	No No		
D-2	196 Bde C-1 1811408(D)/181150H(D)	En	No	No	

k3-k4 No entries.
k5 9
k5A 2

<u>k5B</u>	<u>k5C</u>	<u>k5D</u>
TAY NINH/XT162512	191900H(N)	3/21 / 1 US?IA
TAY NINH/XT112458	11145H(D)	3/21 / None

<u>k5E</u>	<u>k5F</u>
Unk/1VCKIA (Poss)	Perimeter Security
Unk/Unk	Laterite Pit Security

5. (U) Civil Affairs:

- a. Civic Actions: No entries.

4.(C) BUSHMASTER operations:

- a. 0
b. 0

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SITREP 181801 - 191800 Nov 66

1.(C) Operation Summary:

a. General. 196th Lt Inf Bde continued operation ATTLEBORO with 2/1 Inf continuing security of route 26 and conducting saturation patrolling vic route 26. 196th Lt Inf Bde continued ambush patrolling at TAY NINH. F/17 Cav continued security of route between TAY NINH and SUOI DAU. At 1435 hrs, F/17 Cav destroyed a suspected mine in place at XT318550. At 1520 hrs, F/17 Cav investigated a tunnel at XT296574 with recoilless rifle fire. F/17 Cav also escorted an engineer survey team from TAY NINH to XT129504 from 1330 hrs to 1525 hrs.

(1) 2/1 Inf. 2/1 Inf continued security operation on route 26. The battalion conducted 9 squad size overnight ambush patrols along route 26. From 182100 to 182102 hrs, Hq Co engaged an unknown number of VC at XT338445 and XT343449 with unknown results. At 2210 hrs. one round of HE was received at XT168525.

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There were no friendly casualties throughout the night. Route security was conducted along route 26 with no contact. At 0745 hrs, Co C captured a portion of a VC classified document, one notebook, medicine, propaganda signs and one 50 cal MG barrel at XT343456. At 0800 hrs, Co A dispatched one patrol in AO BLUE. At 1430 hrs, the patrol captured 2 VC signs, family photos, and 51 lbs of an unknown substance at XT352445. Co B conducted 3 patrols in AO BLUE with no contact. Co C conducted 4 patrols in AO BLUE. At 1035 hrs, a patrol of Co C was engaged by one VC at XT345483. Patrol returned fire and called arty. Area was checked after arty mission with negative results. At 1517 hrs, a patrol of Co C received SA fire at XT525400. Fire was returned resulting in 1 VC KIA (poss). At 1545 hrs, the IPW team attached to the battalion received 5 rds SA fire at XT312482. The source of fire was checked out by a patrol with negative results. At 1546 hrs, an HE explosion occurred at XT 315475 and a patrol checked the area with negative results. At 1602 hrs, 6 VC were observed at XT325441. Arty fired a mission on the VC position with unknown results.

(2) 3/21 Inf. 3/21 Inf remained on four hour daylight alert status. 3/21 Inf conducted 6 overnight ambushes in the vicinity of TAY NINH with no enemy contact. Two platoons from Co B with a attached tank platoon from 2/34 Armor from 181800 to 190700 with no contact. Thirty shotgunners from Co B and four gun jeeps from Co D secured the 588th Engr laterite convoy from 181815 to 190700 Nov 66. One plat, Co D and one plat, HHC secured the perimeter with no contact. One squad, Co D secured the laterite pit from 190700 to 191800 Nov 66 with no contact. One plat, Co C continued to secure B/3/13 Arty at XT165553.

(3) 4/31 Inf. The battalion conducted care and cleaning of weapons and equipment during the period. Co B departed TAY NINH base camp to establish ambush patrols at 191525 Nov 66. At 1640 hrs, the patrols had closed forward patrol bases.

(4) 3/82 Arty. 3/82 Arty and attached units fired 87 H&I missions from 181900 to 190700 Nov 66. A/2/77 Arty (-) fired 2 support missions fro 2/1 Inf. TOTs were fired by the battalion and attached units at XT076585, XT060550, XT124425, XT160488 and XT168484. At 2212 hrs, Btry A received one round mortar fire at XT167523. Hasty crater analysis was made and an arty mission was fired at XT164536. A/3/13 Arty destroyed 3 bunkers and one house at XT0454.

b. Plans summary. 196th Lt Inf Bde will continue ambush patrolling at TAY NINH. 2/1 Inf continues current mission in AO BLUE. 3/21 Inf continues ambush patrolling at TAY NINH, and laterite security. A company airmobile assault will be conducted into LZ at XT141486 at 201030 Nov 66 and S&D operation will be conducted from LZ to XT176484. 4/31 Inf will conduct a company size airmobile operation into LZ at XT112547 and conducts S&D to XT131538. 4/31 Inf will conduct over-night ambush patrols vic TAY NINH base camp.

- c. Major Unit Operations:
(1) ATTLEBORO continuing.
(2) US Losses:

(cumulative) (2/1 Inf) 0 0 0 0 0/0

2.(C) Statistical Summary:

c-1 TAY NINH XT340448	Security	ATTLEBORO	182100H	Nov/Cont
D-1 196 Bde C-1 182100H(N)/182102N(N)			Fr	No No

191035H(D)/191040H(D)	En	No	No
191517H(D)/191520H(D)	En	No	No
191545H(D)/191547H(D)	En	No	No
191602H(D)/191605H(D)	En	No	No

k3-k4. No entries

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3.(U) Civil Affairs:

a. Civic actions: The 196th Lt Inf Bde S-5 distributed three tons of rice to the villagers of THAI TROUNG (XT1`70510) and four tons of rice at PHOUC NINH district headquarters (XT1250). Three hours of English lessons were taught in the village of CAC XA.

b. PSYOPS. 15,000 leaflets were dropped at XT3292.

4. (C) BUSHMASTER operations:

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b. 0

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SITREP 191801 - 201800 Nov 66

1.(C) Operation Summary:

a. General. 196th Lt Inf Bde continued ambush patrolling at TAY NINH, 2/1 Inf continued operation ATTLEBORO in AO BLUE, conducting route security on highway 26 and conducting saturation patrolling in vicinity of route 26. Two company size airmobile operations were conducted in the brigade AO. F/17 Cav continued security of route between TAY NINH and SUOI DAU (ROADRUNNER). At 0715 hrs, a vehicle from ¼ Cav hit a mine at XT296528. At 0718 hrs, F/17 Cav engaged one individual vic XT296528 however, individual escaped. At 0840 hrs, F/17 Cav observed 3-5 VC near a cave at XT278570 and called arty fire on the target. F/17 Cav closed TAY NINH at 201750 Nov 66.

(1) 2/1 Inf. 2/1 Inf continued to secure route 26. Six overnight ambushes were conducted in the vicinity of route 26. At 1835 hrs, Co B apprehended 5 VCS and evacuated them to Bde for interrogation. At 2145 hrs, Co C received on rifle grenade at XT

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325470 from an undetermined location. There were no US casualties. At 0800 hrs, Co A dispatched one patrol in AO BLUE. At 1015 hrs, 3rd plat, Co A established a blocking position for 1/26 Inf in pursuit of 10 VC. No contact was made, however a check of the area revealed 1 VC KIA (BC) killed by artillery. Co B dispatched one patrol and Co C dispatched 3 patrols into AO BLUE with no contact. At 1110 hrs, Co C observed 2 VC at XT324455, however attempt to apprehend VC failed. The battalion command post and supporting artillery displaced to XT 338459 at 201605 hrs.

(2) 3/21 Inf. 3/21 Inf conducted 2 ambush patrols vic TAY NINH base camp. At 191820 Nov 66, as patrol from Co C was moving to ambush site they were engaged with 6 - 8 rounds 60 mm mortars, AW and SA fire from XT188496. Patrol returned fire with SA and disengaged the VC force (unknown size), under covering artillery fire to XT146501. The results of the encounter were 3 US MIA, 1 US WIA, 3 VC KIA (Poss) from SA fire and 5 VC KIA (Poss) from arty. At 200616 Nov 66, the patrol reinforced by one platoon, Co C, moved to XT144496 and located 4 US KIA which were previously considered MIA. The 3 KIA were stripped of weapons and web gear. Two platoon, Co A with 2 tanks attached secured the laterite pit from 191730 to 200700 Nov 66 with no contact. Thirty shotgunners and four gun jeeps secured the 588th Engr laterite convoy from 191730 to 200700 Nov 66. At 2100 hrs, the laterite convoy received five rifle grenades and SA fire at XT138505 from vicinity of XT130503. Fire was not returned due to the close proximity of friendly dwellings, however, one tank was attached to convoy. At 0158 hrs, the laterite convoy received 3-5 rounds SA fire at XT146505 and returned fire with 3 rounds of cannister. There were no friendly casualties and EN SA fire ceased.

At 201030 Nov 66, Co B conducted a heliborne assault into LZ at XT 141486 and conducted S&D operations from XT141486 to XT158482 to XT 154506. The company closed TAY NINH at 1550 hrs minus one platoon size stay behind ambush which remained at XT158482 to conduct overnight ambush in the vicinity. Two squads, Co D secured the laterite pit from 200700 - 201800 Nov 66. One platoon, Co C continued to secure B/3/13 Arty at XT165553. The battalion remained on 2 hour alert status for 25th Inf Div.

(3) 4/31 Inf. 4/31 Inf conducted six overnight ambush patrols in the vicinity of TAY NINH base camp with no contact. At 1112 hrs, Co A conducted an airmobile assault into LZ at XT128560 and conducted S&D operations toward TAY NINH, closing base camp at 1620 hrs with no contact. At 1630 hrs, three platoons, Co C departed TAY NINH for patrol bases, closing at 1750 hrs. The battalion conducted care and cleaning of weapons and equipment during the period.

(4) 3/82 Arty. 3/82 Arty and attached units fired 96 H&I missions from 191900 to 200700 Nov 66. Btry A moved to XT 338459 to establish a fire support base. The battery was laid and ready to fire at 1530 hrs. Btry A, 2/77 Arty (-) displaced to XT 163526, closing at 1800 hrs. A/3/82 Arty will provide fire support for 2/1 Inf in AO BLUE. A/2/77 Arty (-) is scheduled to be detached from 3/82 Arty effective 211200 Nov 66. B/3/82 fired a mission in support of 3/21 Inf patrol. Surveillance indicated 5 VC KIA (Poss)

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landscape & may have missed a section).**

b. Plans Summary. 196th Lt Inf Bde will continue operation ATTLEBORO with 2/1 Inf continuing present mission and ambush patrolling vicinity TAY NINH. Two company size airmobile operations will be conducted in TAY NINH AO.

c. Major Unit Operations:
 (1) ATTLEBORO continuing.
 (2) US Losses:

(cumulative) (2/1 Inf) 0 0 0 0 0/0

2.(C) Statistical Summary:

C-1 TAY NINH XT338459 Security ATTLEBORO NA/NA
 D-2 196 Bde C-1 NA/NA NA No

k3. 3/21 Inf patrol UNK/UNK 3 1 0 3 M16 UNK amt
 web gear of 5.56mm
 helmets

k4. No entries. k5. 13 k5A. 3

k5B

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 TAY NINH/XT144496

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200840H(D) F/17 Cav/None
 191820H(D) 3/21 Inf/3 KIA, 1 WIA
 3 MIA & web gear

k5D

TAY NINH XT146505 200158NH(N) 3/21 Inf/None

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 UNK/8 VC KIA (Poss)
 UNK/UNK

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Route security
 Ambush
 Laterite Convoy Security

18 Sorties of F100 aircraft were flown in support of 196th Lt Inf Bde. Results: 2 secondary explosions at XT054861; 3 KBA (BC) and 40 meters of entrenchments opened at XT225805; 1 storage pit destroyed at XT 107817; and secondary fire at XT218927.

3.(U) Civil Affairs:

a. Civic Action: Eight tons of rice were distributed in the village of CAO XA (XT125505) for animal feed.

b. PSYOPS: No entries

4.(C) BUSHMASTER operations:

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SITREP 201801 - 211800 Nov 66

1.(C) Operation Summary:

a. General. The 196th Lt Inf Bde continues operation ATTLEBORO with 2/1 Inf continuing security of route 26. Co A, 3/21 Inf and Co B, 4/31 Inf conducted airmobile operations in TAY NINH AO.

(1) 2/1 Inf continued security of route 26 in AO BLUE. The battalion conducted eight overnight ambushes along route 26. At 2125 hrs, one rifle grenade was received in the battalion CP area (vic XT338457), fire was not returned. At 2145 hrs, Co C engaged movement at XT343457 with one M-79 round. The result of the friendly fire is unknown. At 0229 hrs, Co C engaged suspected enemy movement at XT338463 with two hand grenades, five rds SA and one claymore. The results of the friendly fire is unknown. There was no further contact through the night and at 0700 hrs, the battalion commenced clearing route 26 and patrolling in the vicinity of route 26. At 1345 hrs, Co C discovered a sign with a skull and the words "Death Area"(in Vietnamese) written on it at

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XT318415. Investigation revealed that there was a VC hand grenade behind the sign. The grenade was destroyed and the sign evacuated. At 1545 hrs, assorted machine parts and two refrigerators were found at XT338449. The material appeared to be from the USAID program. At 1700 hrs, Co C detained 12 VCS at XT325405 and evacuated the VCS to the brigade PW cage for questioning.

(2) 3/21 Inf. Two overnight ambush patrols were conducted in the vicinity of TAY NINH. At 1845 hrs, patrol from Co D requested artillery fire on one VC at XT145484. The artillery was fired with unknown results. Co A (-) conducted an airmobile assault into LZ at XT162449 at 0900 hrs and conducted S&D operations to XT 157475. At 1420 hrs, the company minus was extracted leaving two platoons in the PZ to conduct stay behind ambushes in areas BEAR 1 and 2. (XT135485 and XT139485 respectively). Two platoons, Co C and one attached tank secured the laterite pit from 201800 to 210700 Nov 66. 30 shotgunners and 4 gun jeeps from Co C secured the 588th Engr laterite convoy from 201800 to 210700 Nov 66. One platoon, Co A and one platoon, Co D secured the battalion's sector of the brigade perimeter, with no contact. One platoon, Co C continued to secure B/3/13 Arty at XT165553. Two squads, Co D secured the laterite pit from 210700 to 211800 Nov 66.

(3) 4/31 Inf. 4/31 Inf conducted three overnight ambushes vicinity TAY NINH with no contact. At 0935 hrs, Co B conducted an airmobile assault into LZ at XT114542 and conducted S&D operations to XT119557. At 1130 hrs, the company established patrol base vic XT119557 and conducted saturation patrolling in the vicinity with no contact. At 1450 hrs, the company was extracted from XT119557 and closed TAY NINH at 1500 hrs. At 1635 hrs, five ambush patrols departed for patrol bases to conduct overnight ambush patrols vic TAY NINH.

(4) 3/82 Arty. 3/82 Arty and attached units fired 89 H&I missions from 201900 to 210700 Nov 66. A/3/82 Arty in support of 2/1 Inf fired five navigational missions, one registration, one target of opportunity and registered three DEFCONS. At 0855 hrs, B/3/82 Arty, B/2/35 Arty and A/3/13 Arty fired a preparation in support of 3/21 Inf company size airmobile operation. 3/82 Arty and attached units fired two support missions, one registration, six navigational missions, three targets of opportunity and marked three DEFCONS.

b. Plans Summary. The 196th Lt Inf Bde will continue operation ATTLEBORO with 2/1 Inf continuing current mission. Ambush patrolling vicinity TAY NINH will continue. Two company size airmobile operations will be conducted in TAY NINH AO.

- c. Major Unit Operations:
 (1) ATTLEBORO continuing.
 (2) US Losses:

(cumulative) 2/1 Inf) 0 0 0 0 0/0
 2/(C) Statistical Summary:

C-1 TAY NINH	XT343457	Security	ATTLEBORO	202145H	Nov/Cont
	XT338463	Security	ATTLEBORO	210229H	Nov/Cont
D-2 196 Bde	C-1	202145H(N)/202146H(N)	Friendly	No	No
		210229H(N)/210230H(N)	Friendly	No	No

k3-k4. No entries.
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3. (U) Civil Affairs:

a. Civic Actions. The Brigade S-5 distributed 10 tons of rice (for animal feed) 8 tons of soy beans and 900 pounds of sesame seeds to the residents of AP CA XAN[sic] The 4th Battalion, 31st Infantry

conducted a MEDCAP in the hamlet of BINH LUONG (XT777556). A total of 100 civilians were treated for various illnesses.

b. PSYOPS. 141,000 leaflets were given to 25th Infantry Division, in support of Division operations.

4.(C) BUSHMASTER Operations:

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SITREP 211801 - 221800 Nov 66

1.(C) Operation Summary:

a. General. 196th Lt Inf Bde continues operation ATTLEBORO with 2/1 Inf securing route 26 in sector and continuing patrols in the vicinity of route 26. Ambush patrolling vicinity of TAY NINH base camp continued. Two company size airmobile operations were conducted in TAY NINH AO. F/17 Cav conducted a ROADRUNNER from TAY NINH to SUOI DAU from 0815 - 1425 hrs and escorted A/3/13 Arty to SUOI DAU during that period.

(1) 2/1 Inf: 2/1 Inf continued operation ATTLEBORO securing route 26 in AO BLUE. Ten overnight ambushes were established along route 26 with no contact. At 0700 hrs the battalion commenced clearing route 26 and dispatched patrols in AO BLUE. At 0950 hrs, patrol of Co A discovered three feet of tail section from UH-1D helicopter at XT381473 which was from a helicopter downed in 12 July 66. At 1230 hrs, two 2 ½ ton trucks from HHC received 3 rounds of SA fire at XT291501. Fire was not

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returned and no friendly casualties resulted. At 1545 hrs, Co C destroyed seven anti-personnel mines (Bouncing Betty) at XT342456.

(2) 3/21 Inf: At 0940 hrs, Co C (-) commenced airmobile assaults into LZ (XT146457) and conducted S&D operations to XT146457, XT150460 and XT139482. At 0940 hrs, an armed helicopter from 116th Avn Co supporting Co C (-) airmobile assault received SA fire vic XT153466. An artillery mission was fired in the area with unknown results. At 1055 hrs, one small bunker was destroyed at XT150460. At 1615 hrs, Co C (-) was extracted leaving two platoons to conduct stay behind ambushes. Two platoons, Co B secured the laterite pit from 211800 - 220700 Nov 66. At 2207 hrs, 4 VCS were apprehended at XT113496 and evacuated to MP control. 30 shot-gunners and 4 gun jeeps secured the 588th Engr laterite convoy from 211800 to 220700 Nov 66. Co A conducted platoon size overnight ambushes at XT143489 and XT159490 with no contact. One platoon, Co C continued to secure B/3/13 Arty at XT165553. Tow squads, Co D secured the laterite pit from 220700 - 221800 Nov 66. One platoon, Co D and one attached platoon from 8th Spt Bn secured the battalion's sector of the brigade perimeter. At 2156 hrs, bunker #3 engaged suspected VC movement with one hand grenade. Results at the actions are not known.

(3) 4/31 Inf: 4/31 Inf conducted five overnight ambush patrols in the vicinity of TAY NINH base camp with no contact. At 0756 hrs, Co B commenced airmobile assaults into LZ (XT120547) and conducted S&D operations to XT105531 to XT120547 from which the company was extracted. There was no contact during the operation.

(4) 3/82 Arty: 3/82 Arty and attached units fired 60 H&I missions from 211900 to 220700 Nov 66. Effective 220730 Nov 66, A/2/77 Arty was detached from 3/82 Arty. At 0755 hrs, C/3/82 Arty and B/2/35 Arty fired a preparation in support of 4/31 Inf company size airmobile assault. At 0932 hrs, B/3/82 Arty and B /2/35 Arty fired a preparation for 3/21 Inf airmobile assault. At 1545 Hrs, B/2/35 Arty destroyed one sampan resulting in 1 VC KIA (poss) at XT045563. At 1130 hrs, B/3/13 Arty fired at 3 suspected VC locations. At XT042475, numerous bunkers and foxholes destroyed, four secondary explosions and 1 VC KIA (poss).

b. Plans Summary: 196th Lt Inf Bde continues operation ATTLEBORO with 2/1 Inf continuing present mission and conducting S&D mission in AO BLUE with one reinforced company. Ambush patrolling in vicinity of TAY NINH base camp will continue. Co B, 3/21 Inf will commence a BUSHMASTER operation at 231730 Nov 66. 4/31 Inf will conduct a battalion (-) S&D operation commencing with an airmobile assault into LZ (XT229624). The S&D operation will be conducted from the LZ to XT1759.

c. Major Unit Operations:

(1) ATTLEBORO continuing.

(2) US Losses (2/1 Inf) 0 0 0 0 0/0

2.(C) Statistical Summary:

C-1 TAY NINH XT291501 Security ATTLEBORO 221230H Nov/Cont
D-2 196 Bde C-1 221230H(D)/221231H(D) En NO No

k3-k4. No entries.

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3.(U) Civil Affairs:

a. Civic Actions. The Brigade S-5 gave three tons of salt to the residents of CAO XA. The Brigade Commander and the S-5 visited the CAO DAI POPE. The 65th Engr Bn. represented by Lt. Mereineavage paid 1,000 piasters (Solatium) to the father of the boy injured by a 65th Engr Bn truck.

b. PSYOPS. 10,000 leaflets were dropped at XT1746.

4.(C) BUSHMASTER Operations:

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SITREP 221801 - 231800 Nov 66

1.(C) Operation Summary:

a. General. 196th Lt Inf Bde continues operation ATTLE-BORO with 2/1 Inf continuing to secure route 26 in sector. 3/21 Inf initiated a BUSHMASTER operation in AO 2 and 4/31 Inf commenced a company size S&D operation in AO 1. F/17 Cav conducted a ROADRUNNER from TAY NINH to DAU TIENG and convoy escort on the secured route.

(1) 2/1 Inf. 2/1 Inf continued to secure route 26 in sector. The battalion conducted ten overnight ambushes along route 26 with no contact. At 0250 hrs, Co B destroyed a field expedient anti-vehicle mine at XT313483. At 0400 hrs, Co C moved overland to blocking position vic XT318405 and the recon platoon Co D, combined S&D operations to the blocking position. At 0800 hrs, Co C apprehended 2 VCS at XT328406. The VCS were interrogated by IPW team and evacuated to brigade. There was no enemy contact during the operation.

(2) 3/21 Inf. Two platoons, Co A secured the Laterite pit from 221800 to 230700 Nov 66 with no contact. 30 shotguns and 4 gun jeeps secured the Engr laterite convoy from 1904 hrs to 0700 hrs. At 2327 hrs, the laterite convoy received AW fire from vic XT134508. Fire was returned and AW fire ceased. At 2355 hrs,

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the convoy received AW fire from vic XT145507. Fire was returned and the AW fire ceased. Results of the two encounters are unknown. There were no friendly casualties or resultant damage to friendly vehicles and equipment. One platoon, Co D and one platoon Co B secured the battalion's sector of the brigade perimeter. Co C conducted two overnight platoon size ambushes at TAY NINH with no contact. Two squads, Co D secured the laterite pit from 230200 - 231800 Nov 66. One squad, Co D conducted an area recon vic XT161512 from 1438 to 1652 hrs with no contact. At 231700 Nov 66, Co B (-) commenced a BUSHMASTER operation in AO- 2 which will continue until 250900 Nov 66.

(3) 4/31 Inf. Co D conducted three overnight ambushes at TAY NINH. At 2005 hrs, ambush patrol at XT142532 received two rounds SA fire. Fire was not returned and no further contact was made throughout the night. Co C (-) commenced S&D operations in AO-1 at 1355 hrs. At 1530 hrs, Co C (-) seized their objective and commenced the establishment of patrol base at XT123533.

(4) 3/82 Arty. 3/82 Arty and attached units fired 62 H&I missions from 221800 to 230700 Nov 66. At 2000 hrs, B/ 3/82 Arty, B/2/35 Arty, B/3/13 Arty fired a TOT on a suspected VC company at XT104505. 3/82 Arty fired three registrations and two targets of opportunity resulting in one camouflaged hut destroyed XT086525. B /3/13 Arty fired one registration and one target of opportunity. A secondary explosion resulted at XT055518. B/2/35 Arty fired at two huts at XT155414 and a camouflaged sampan at XT052509. Surveillance indicated one hut partially destroyed and the sampan heavily damaged. C/2/32 Arty fired a destruction mission at a VC bunker at XT137380. The bunker was destroyed and a secondary explosion resulted.

b. Plans Summary. 196th Lt Inf Bde will continue operation ATTLEBORO with 2/1 Inf continuing present mission. Co C, 4/31 Inf will conduct six overnight ambush patrols tonight and conduct S&D operation to TAY NINH on 24 Nov 66. Ambush patrolling in the vicinity of TAY NINH will continue.

- c. Major Unit Operations:
 (1) ATTLEBORO continuing.
 (2) US Losses
 (cumulative) 0 0 0 0 0/0

2.(C) Statistical Summary:

C-1 TAY NINH	XT319489	Security	ATTLEBORO	NA/NA
D-2 196 Bde	C-1	N/A NA	No	No

k3-k4. No entries.
 k5. 10

<u>k5B</u>	<u>k5C</u>	<u>k5D</u>	<u>K5E</u>
TAY NINH/XT142532	222005H(N)	4/31 Inf/None	UNK/UNK
TAY NINH/XT134502	222327H(N)	3/21 Inf/None	UNK/UNK

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 Ambush
 Laterite Convoy Security

3.(U) Civil Affairs:

- a. Civic Actions. 2/1 Inf conducted a MEDCAP at AP BIEN NOUNG (XT325405). 207 Vietnamese were treated for various illnesses.
 b. PSYOPS. A total of 26,000 leaflets were dropped at XT1637, XT1434, XT6544 and XT0545. Two hours of loudspeaker [?CHIEU HOI] was directed at the same location.

4.(C) BUSHMASTER Operations:

- a. 0.
 b. 0.

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SITREP 231801 - 241800 Nov 66

1.(C) Operation Summary:

a. General. 196th Lt Inf Bde continued operation ATTLEBORO with 2/1 Inf continuing security of route 26. Co C, 4/31 Inf conducted S&D operations from XT123532 to TAY NINH. Co B, 3/21 Inf continued BUSHMASTER operation. F/17 Cav conducted a ROADRUNNER from TAY NINH to DAU TIENG and escorted a convoy from TAY NINH to DAU TIENG. At 1235 hrs, F/17 Cav found a sandbag with a sign painted on it at XT128517. The sign warned against movement over the route. At 1450 hrs, F/17 Cav destroyed a pressure sensitive mine at XT294425. At 1520 hrs, F/17 Cav located an anti-vehicle mine at XT205525. the mine was dismantled and evacuated. As of 1100 hrs, F/17 Cav had not closed TAY NINH.

(1) 2/1 Inf: 2/1 Inf continued operation ATTLEBORO by securing route 26 in sector and Co B conducting S & D operations with recon plat, Co D from vic XT306489 to XT352459 XT330465. Night overnight ambushes were conducted along route 26 with no contact. At

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1900 hrs, Co B received 8 rifle grenades at XT309452 resulting in 4 US WIA. Fire was not returned. At 1100 hrs, recon plat, Co D received 3 rounds SA fire at XT353488. Fire was not returned and no friendly casualties resulted. At 1120 hrs, Co B engaged 3 VC at XT353488. The VC fled to the NE and contact was lost with the enemy. At 1123 hrs, Co B destroyed a bunker with adjoining tunnel at XT353488. At 1130 hrs, Co D destroyed a hut and a tunnel at XT356488. At 1155 hrs, Co C destroyed 2 AP mines at XT343456 and evacuated one AP mine from the same location. At 1225 hrs, Co B recon plat destroyed a bunker at XT347409. At 1900 hrs, Co B destroyed 3 huts at XT358488 which appeared to have been recently occupied. At 1300 hrs, Co B engaged 2 VC at XT364484. The VC fled to the North and contact was lost. At 1725 hrs, Co B and recon plat closed forward base camp. The battalion CP remained at XT310483.

(2) 3/21 Inf: 3/21 Inf continued BUSHMASTER operation in AO 2 with no contact. Two platoons, Co A secured the laterite pit during overnight operation and 30 shotgunner and 4 gun jeeps secured the laterite convoy. At 2020 hrs, the laterite convoy received 1 round SA fire at XT145507. the fire was not returned. At 2045 hrs, the laterite convoy received one round of SA fire. The fire was from XT149505 and an attached tank from 2/34th Armor returned fire with its coax [?]. At 2146 hrs, the laterite convoy received SA fire from XT145507. The attached tank once again returned fire with its machine gun. At 0600 hrs, the laterite convoy received 2 rounds SA fire from XT141507. Fire was not returned. No friendly casualties or damage resulted from the SA fired

at the laterite convoy. One plat, Co C secured B/3/13 Arty at XT165553. Two squads, Co A secured the laterite pit from 240700 - 241400 Nov 66. One plat, Co C conducted a recon patrol vicinity route 13 from 0825 to 1030 hrs with no contact.

4/31 Inf: Co C conducted six ambush patrols vicinity of TAY NINH base camp. At 2220 hrs, patrol at XT117545 fired 15 rounds SA on suspected VC movement. Results of the friendly fire is unknown. At 0715 hrs, all patrols from Co C had closed the patrol base at XT123532 and commenced S&D operations toward TAY NINH, closing at 0910 hrs. At 1605 hrs, three squads, Co B departed for ambush sites. At 1620 hrs, patrol #3 received 3 rounds of SA from XT146519. The patrol checked the area from which the rounds were fired with negative results.

(4) 3/82 Arty; 3/82 Arty and attached units fired 75 H & I missions from 231900 to 240700 Nov 66. A/3/82 Arty, fired 7 support missions in support of 2/1 Inf in AO BLUE. At 1017 hrs, the battalion (-) massed fires with B/3/82 Arty, C/3/82 Arty, B/2/35 Arty, C/2/32 Arty and C/2/6 Arty at XT110554. The target was a suspected VC battalion. There was no surveillance. B2/35 Arty fired at VC huts. at XT155401 resulting in 3 huts destroyed.

b. Plans Summary. 196th Lt Inf Bde will continue operation ATTLEBORO with 2/1 Inf continuing current mission and being relieved in place by 4/31 Inf at 251200 Nov 66. 196th Lt Inf Bde will continue ambush patrolling vic TAY NINH. BUSHMASTER operation being conducted by B/3/21 Inf will terminate 25 Nov 66.

- c. Major Unit Operations:
 (1) ATTLEBORO continued.
 (2) US Losses
 (cumulative) 0 4 0 0 0/0

2.(C) Statistical Summary:

C-1 TAY NINH	XT309482	Security	ATTLEBORO	240700H	Nov/Cont
D-1 196 Bde C-1	231930H (N)/231933H(N)	En	No	No	
	241100H (D)/241101H(D)	En	No	No	
	241120H (D)/241125H(D)	Fr	No	No	
	241315H (D)/241317H(D)	Fr	No	No	

k3 ? Unk/Unk 0 4 0 0 0 0

k4 No entries.

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<u>k5B</u>	<u>k5C</u>	<u>k5D</u>
TAY NINH/XT145507	231020H (N) 3/21	Inf/None
TAY NINH/XT117545	232220H (N) 4/31	Inf/None
TAY NINH/XT146519	241520H (N) 4/31	Inf/None

<u>k5E</u>	<u>k5F</u>
Unk/Unk	Laterite Security
Unk/Unk	Ambush
Unk/Unk	Ambush

3.(U) Civil Affairs:

a. Civic Actions. A childrens choir was brought to base camp for the celebration of Catholic Mass. 3/82 Arty supplied cold drinks and candy for the children. Two hundred salvage cots were donated to Popular Forces of PHUOC NINH District. HHC, 196th Lt Inf Bde donated

100 pounds of candy to the children of AP CAC XA II.

b. PSYOPS. No entries.

4.(C) BUSHMASTER Operations:

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b. 0.

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1.(C) Operation Summary:

a. General. 196th Lt Inf Bde terminated operation ATTLEBORO with 4/31 Inf relieving 2/1 Inf in place and continuing to secure route 26 (Operation FITCHBURG). The 196th Bde continued ambush patrolling in vic TAY NINH. F/17 Cav element conducting security for convoy to DAU TIENG closed TAY NINH at 241830 Nov 66. F/17 Cav conducted two ROADRUNNER and two convoy escorts. Both ROADRUNNERS were between TAY NINH and SUOI DAU.

(1) 2/1 Inf: 2/1 Inf was relieved in place by 4/31 Inf at 251200 Nov 66. The battalion conducted six ambush patrols along route 26 with no contact. At 1905 hrs, Co C received 10-12 mortar rounds or rifle grenades at XT337456. Counter mortar plan was put in to effect. No friendly casualties resulted and enemy casualties are unknown. At 1215 hrs, the battalion minus closed TAY NINH terminating operation ATTLEBORO.

(2) 3/21 Inf: Co B continued BUSHMASTER operation in 25 2030
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AO 2. At 0410 hrs, the BUSHMASTER engaged an unknown number of VC with SA, claymore and artillery fire at XT160485. The VC returned fire and broke contact, moving to the SW. No friendly casualties resulted. Co C continued to secure B/3/13 Arty at XT165553, from 241800 - 251400 Nov 66 at which time one platoon, Co B relieved the platoon of Co C in place. Two squads Co D, secured the laterite pit from 250700 to 251800 Nov 66. Co C (-) conducted an airmobile assault into LZ at XT170595 at 0720 hrs. Co C (-) conducted S & D operations to XT173617. At 1040 hrs, Co C (-) located the lost 105mm howitzer at XT173617 and secured the area while the howitzer was recovered. At 251600 Nov 66, Co A (-) commenced BUSHMASTER operation in AO 2.

(3) 4/31 Inf: Co B conducted three overnight ambushes in the vicinity of TAY NINH base camp with no contact. At 250808 Nov 66, the battalion commenced airmobile operations to relieve 2/1 Inf in place in AO BLUE. Operation FITCHBURG commenced with this airmobile operation.

(4) 3/82 Arty: 3/82 Arty and attached units fired 72 H & I from 241900 to 250700 Nov 66. A/3/82 Arty continued to support operations in AO BLUE. At 250500 Nov 66, Btry C moved overland to TRANG SUP to support 3/21 Inf operation. At 1500 hrs, Btry C and one plt, B/3/13 Arty displaced to SUOI DAU to provide fire support for CIDC operation east of NUI BA DEN (Operation Buddy). 3/82 Arty fired five targets of opportunity, one registration and marked one DEFCON. At XT132418 a house was partially destroyed and one structure destroyed. At 1640 hrs, C/2/32 Arty fired at 45 VC huts at XT130384 destroying one hut damaging two and 5 VCKIA (BC) and 10 VCKIA (Poss).

b. Plans Summary. 196th Lt Inf Bde will continue operation FITCHBURG with 4/31 Inf continuing to secure route 26 in AO BLUE. 2/1 Inf assumes responsibility for laterite mission and is Bde reaction force. 3/21 Inf will continue BUSHMASTER operation in AO 2 with Co A (-). Ambush patrolling in the vicinity of TAY NINH base camp will continue.

c. Major Unit Operations.

- (1) ATTLEBORO terminated.
- (2) US LOSSES
(Cumulative) (2/1 Inf) 0 4 0 0 0/0
- (1) FITCHBURG 196 Bde Security 250712H TAY NINH
- (2) XT305480 Route Security 4/31 Inf (-) Initiated

2. (C) Statistical Summary

C-1	TAY NINH	XT309482	Security	ATTLEBORO	251200H	Nov/Term
C-2	TAY NINH	XT305480	Security	FITCHBURG	250712H	/Init
D-1	196 Bde	C-1	251905H(N)/241910H(N)	En	No	No
D-2	196 Bde	C-2	NA/NA	N/A	No	No

k3-k4 No entries

k5. 10

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250440H (N)

k5D

3/21 Inf/None

k5E

Unk/Unk

k5F

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3. (U) Civil Affairs.

a. Civic Action. 450 CARE school kits were distributed at THAI THORONG (XT173509).

b. PSYOPS. 2 hours of CHIEU HOI tapes were played and

72,000 leaflets were dropped at XT0362, XT0059, XT0551, XT0451, and XT2831.

4. BUSHMASTER. Operations

- a. BUSHMASTER operations terminated with contact: 1.
- b. BUSHMASTER operations terminated without contact : 0.

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(4) 3/82 Arty (added): Effective 251230 Nov 66,
B/1/8 Arty attached to 3/82 Arty.

(5) Effective 251300 Nov 66, 2/22 Inf and A/2/77 Arty
OPCON 196th Lt Inf Bde. 2/22 Inf conducted a rescue mission
(Operation BUDDY) for 2 CIDG companies at XT396572. Approximately 150
CIDG personnel were extracted to SUOI DAU. 2/22 Inf and A/2/77 Arty
currently located at SUOI DAU. H & I fires and air strikes will be
conducted at the same area of CIDG engagement on an estimated VC
battalion.

4. (C) Added: A/3/21 Inf BUSHMASTER ambushes for night of 25 -
26 Nov 66 at XT136488 and XT150487.

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SITREP 251801 - 261800 Nov 66

1.(C) Operation Summary:

a. General. 196th Lt Inf Bde continued operation FITCHBURG with 4/31 Inf continuing security of route 26 in AO BLUE. 3/21 Inf continued company size BUSHMASTER operation in AO 2. 2/22 Mech released from OPCON of 196th Lt Inf Bde. At 0054 hrs, 2/22 Mech received 2 mortar rounds at XT346374 with no friendly casualties resulting. F/17 Cav secured the route between TAY NINH and SUOI DA (ROAD-RUNNER) from 260700 to 261310 Nov 66, and conducted an escort mission during the same period from TRACOP to SUOI DA.

(1) 2/1 Inf: Co B conducted one ambush patrol from 250545 to 260545 Nov 66. At 2345 hrs, the patrol received 6 HE rounds at XT152547. Fire was returned by artillery on the suspected VC location (XT160542) with undetermined results. No friendly casualties resulted.

(2) 3/21 Inf: A Co on BUSHMASTER operations conducted 26 2030
overnight ambushes vic XT150486 with no contact. At 260705, Co A Nov 1966

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moved clandestinely to XT135427. Co B and Co C prepared for operations commencing 27 Nov 66.

(3) 4/31 Inf: 4/31 Inf continued security of AO BLUE in sector and conducted EAGLE FLIGHT to XT356427 and conducted S&D operations to XT375397 to XT363376 and XT351350 with no contact. At 0835 hrs, Co A apprehended one VC at XT335460 and evacuated her to TAY NINH for interrogation. At 0843 hrs, Co A located and destroyed 03 VC hand grenades at XT335461.

(4) 3/82 Arty: 3/82 Arty and attached units fired 207 H & I missions from 251900 - 260700 Nov 66. A/3/82 Arty displaced to forward base and returned to TAY NINH at 261615 Nov 66. C/3/82 Arty continues to support 4/31 Inf in AO BLUE from XT338444. B/18 Arty fired one navigation round and one target of opportunity. 3/82 Arty, at TAY NINH, marked two DEFCONS, fired two registrations and two navigational missions. C/2/32 Arty fired 2 registrations. B/3/13 Arty (-) partially destroyed one sampan at XT054544.

b. Plans Summary. 196th Lt Inf Bde continues operation FITCHBURG. 2/1 Inf remains Bde reaction force. 3/21 Inf BUSHMASTER continues with ambushes vic XT142466. 3/21 Inf with Co B, Co C, C/1/5 Mech and 3/4/34 Armor will move from TAY NINH along route 13 to XT140505 and conduct S&D operations from XT140505 to XT140483. 4/31 Inf continues FITCHBURG by securing route 26.

c. Major Unit Operations.

FITCHBURG (Continued)

US LOSSES

(Cumulative) 0 0 0 0 0 0/0

2. (C) Statistical Summary.

C-1 TAY NINH	XT305480	Security	FITCHBURG	NA/NA
D-2 196 Bde	C-1	NA/NA	NA	No No

k3-4 No entries.

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3. (U) Civil Affairs.

a. Civic Actions: (delayed entry) 3/21 Inf conducted a MEDCAP in CAO XA from 251500 to 251800 Nov 66. 22 patients were treated for various skin disease and URIs. 3/21 Inf conducted a MEDCAP at THAI THUONG (XT163508) from 261400 - 261730 Nov 66. 45 patients were treated for skin diseases and URIs.

b. PSYOPS. 20,000 leaflets were dropped at XT4155.

4. (C) BUSHMASTER Operations.

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b. 0

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SITREP 261801 - 271800 Nov 66

1.(C) Operation Summary:

a. General. 196th Lt Inf Bde continues operation FITCHBURG with 4/31 Inf (-) continuing to secure route 26 in AO BLUE. 2/1 Inf airmobile operation was cancelled due to nonavailability of aircraft. 3/21 Inf terminated BUSHMASTER operation in AO 2. 3/21 Inf commenced a battalion size operation in AO-2. F/17 Cav conducted ROADRUNNER between TAY NINH and SUOI DA and from TAY NINH to XT297361 and escorted A/3/82 Arty (to SUOI DA) and 175 Engr element to (XT197361).

(1) 2/1 Inf: 2/1 Inf remained at TAY NINH during the period. Co C conducted a reinforced squad size patrol vicinity TAY NINH with no contact. At 1050 hrs, one plat, Co C departed for SUOI DA to secure A/2/17 Arty. The plat closed SUOI DA at 1349 hrs. At 1124 hrs, recon plat, Co D and one squad. Co C departed TAY NINH to secure engr work at XT???362. At 1650 hrs, the squad, Co C and recon plat closed base camp.

(2) 3/21 Inf: Co A continued BUSHMASTER operation

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overnight with ambushes vic XT158486. The BUSHMASTER had no contact and linked up with the battalion minus at 1030 hrs. At 0840 hrs, Co B, Co C, 3/A/2/34 Armor moved from TAY NINH along route 13 to XT148585 to XT1464?4 conducting S & D operations to CO A location. At 1200 hrs, Co B conducted a platoon size patrol vicinity XT145475. At 1320 hrs, Co C engaged 2 VC at XT137480. One VC fled to the east and one to the south with Co C in pursuit. At XT152475, 2 additional VC were observed. One VCWIA resulted and one VCKIA (Poss) resulted. Contact was lost in the dense vegetation and artillery was called into the area in which the VC disappeared. Bn CP currently located at XT136466.

(3) 4/31 Inf: 4/31 Inf continued to secure route 26 in AO BLUE. All companies established overnight squad size patrols and LF, along route 26 with no contact. At 0809 hrs, route 26 was cleared and opened to traffic. Squad size patrols were conducted along route 26 with no contact. Locations: Bn CP XT319475 with Co A securing; Co B at XT316472; Co Cont XT359433. The overnight ambushes, patrols were conducted at TAY NINH with no contact.

(4) 3/82 Arty: 3/82 Arty and attached units fired 60 H & I missions from 261900 to 270700 Nov 66. At 0030 hrs, D/3/82 Arty with one plat[?], B/3/13 Arty displaced overland to XT345577. B/3/82 Arty continues to provide fire support for 4/31 Inf in AO BLUE from XT141447. C/3/82 Arty fired one target of opportunity, marked three DEFCONS and fired one registration. 3/82 Arty fired two targets of opportunity, two registrations and one navigation mission. B/3/13 Arty (-) fired one registration and two targets of opportunity. Surveillance indicates 3 huts and 3 bunkers destroyed at XT053900 and 9 bunkers and 1 structure at XT050579.

b. Plans Summary. 196th Lt Inf Bde will continue operation FITCHBURG. C3/21 Inf will conduct an airmobile assault into LZ at XT144558 and conduct S & D operations from LZ to XT136456 to XT152479. A/3/21 Inf will conduct S & D operations from XT136486 to XT152488. B/3/21 Inf conducts S & D operations from XT136486 to XT147483 to XT155484. 4/31 Inf will continue current mission in AO BLUE. 10 ambush patrols and 3 LP will be established overnight along route 26. D/4/31 Inf (-) will conduct S & D operation to vic XT337403. A/4/31 Inf will conduct a platoon size S & D operation to XT360470 and C/4/31 Inf will conduct a plat size S & D operation to XT3?1455.

c. Major Unit Operations.

- (1) FITCHBURG continuing.
- (2) US LOSSES (4/31 Inf)
 - (Cumulative) 0 0 0 0 0/0
 - (1) FITCHBURG 196 Bde S & D 27??30H TAY NINH
 - XT136456 To find and 3/21 Inf (-) INIT
 - destroy VC
 - forces 3/A/2/31 ??
- (2) US LOSSES 0 1 0 0 0

2. (C) Statistical Summary.

C-1	TAY NINH	XT319475	Rte	Scty	FITCHBURG	NA/NA
C-2	TAY NINH	XT136484	S & D		FITCHBURG	271310H/Cont
D-1	196 Bde	C-1	NA/NA	NA	No	No
D-2	196 Bde	C-1	271320H(D)/271220H(D)	Fr	No	No

k3	D-1	4/Unk	0	1	0	0	0/0
k4	D-2	No entries					
k5		9					

3. (U) Civil Affairs.
 - a. Civic Action. 4/31 Inf conducted a MEDCAP at AP PHOUC HOA (XT?950). 251 civilians were treated for various illnesses.
 - b. PSYOPS - NO entries.
4. (C) BUSHMASTER operations.
 - a. 0
 - b. BUSHMASTER operations terminated without contact.

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SITREP 271801 - 281800 Nov 66

1.(C) Operation Summary:

a. General. 196th Lt Inf Bde continued operation FITCHBURG with 4/31 Inf continuing security of route 26 in AO BLUE. 3/21 Inf (-) continued S & D operations in AO 2. 196th Lt Inf Bde continued ambush patrolling at TAY NINH. F/17 Cav secured the route from TAY NINH to SUOI DA (ROADRUNNER) and escorted a resupply convoy to SUOI DA.

(1) 2/1 Inf: 2/1 Inf conducted two overnight ambushes vic TAY NINH with no contact. Co A secured the laterite pit with no contact. The battalion remained as the brigade reaction force during the period.

(2) 3/21 Inf: 3/21 Inf continued operation FITCHBURG
Two overnight ambushes were conducted at XT131490 and XT129485 with no contact. Co C, 1/5 Mech departed TAY NINH at 0915 hrs and conducted S & D operations to field base (XT136485) closing at 0945 hrs. At 1030 hrs, Co B commenced S & D operations from base camp to XT136486 28 2030
to 148492 to XT152485, closing field base (XT152400) at 1445 hrs. At Nov 1966
At 1105 hrs, Co C conducted an airmobile assault into LZ (XT145458) 1 4

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and conducted S & D operations from LZ to XT150464 to XT153480, closing field base (XT152480) at 1550 hrs. C/1/5 Mech conducted S & D operations from XT136486 to XT151483 to base camp at XT152480 from 1155 hrs to 1240 hrs. There was no enemy contact through out the day.

(3) 4/31 Inf: 4/31 Inf continued operation FITCHBURG. Ten ambush patrols and three LPs were established along route 26 with no contact. At 1210 hrs, the battalion relocated to XT335?43. Co C and Co A conducted S & D operation vic route 26. At 1435 hrs, Co A engaged one VC squad at XT353470 with SA and arty fire. VC broke contact at 1445 hrs and were last observed moving NW. No friendly casualties resulted and VC losses are not known. At 1535 hrs, Co A destroyed 3 cooking fires and 5 bowls at XT350476. Co B conducted an EAGLE FLIGHT commencing 1315 hrs into LZ vic XT335443 and S & D to PZ vic XT338500 to LZ vic XT326502 and S & D to PZ vic XT3200500 to LZ vic XT310492 and S & D to vic PZ vic XT306487 to XZ 500480 and S&D to PZ vic XT303465 and airlifted back to base camp. XT325471 with no contact during the operation.

(4) 3/82 Arty: 3/82 Arty and attachments fired 96 H & I missions from 271900 to 280700 Nov 66. B/3/82 Arty presently occupying a fire base at XT34554765 and will provide fire support for LRRP. C/3/82 Arty supported 4/31 Inf in AO BLUE marking 3 DEFCONS, and firing one registration and one target of opportunity. C/3/82 Arty displaced to XT33884444 and continues to support 4/31 Inf. 3/82 Arty, at TAY NINH, fired two targets of opportunity, two registrations, two navigation missions and marked 3 DEFCONS. B/1/8 Arty fired on registration.

B3/13 Arty fired two registrations and commenced adjusting on 10 VC in open, however, mission was cancelled and an airstrike was conducted in the area. C/2/32 Arty fired at bunkers, foxholes, and a bridge at XT141787. Two secondary explosions resulted with smoke columns from 75-100 ft altitude.

b. Plans Summary. 196th Lt Inf Bde will continue operation FITCHBURG. 4/31 Inf will terminate operations in AO BLUE with ETA at TAY NINH 291200 Nov 66. 3/21 Inf (-) will continue operation FITCHBURGE in AO 2. Co A will conduct an air-mobile assault into LZ at XT162448 and S & D to XT172450 to XT182465 commencing at 0915 hrs. Co B will X & D from base camp to XT165490 to XT165487 to XT161482 commencing at 0830 hrs. Co C will S & D from base camp to XT162481 commencing at 0915 hrs. C/1/5 Mech will S & D from base camp to XT160492 to XT178492 to XT178483 to XT162481 commencing at 0930 hrs. Recon plat Co C will conduct an overnight ambush at XT172501. 196th Bde will conduct two ambushes overnight in the vicinity of TAY NINH. 2/1 Inf remains brigade reaction force.

c. Major Unit Operations.

(1) FITCHBURGE continuing.

(2) US LOSSES

(Cumulative) 0 0 0 0 0/0

2.(C) Statistical Summary.

C-1	TAY NINH	XT335443	Rte Scty	FITCHBURG	281435H/Cont
C-2	TAY NINH	XT152480	S & D	FITCHBURGE	NA/NA

D-1	196 Bde	C-1	281435H(D)/281444H(D)	Fr	No	No
D-2	196 Bde	C-1	NA/NA	NA	No	No
k3-k4 No entries						

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3. (U) Civil Affairs
 - a. Civic actions. No entries.
 - b. PSYOPS No entries.
4. (C) BUSHMASTER operations.
 - a. 0
 - b. 0

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CG 196TH LT INF BDE

CG 25TH INF DIV

SITREP 281801 - 291800 Nov 66

1.(C) Operation Summary:

a. General. 196th Lt Inf Bde continued operation FITCHBURG with 4/31 Inf terminating security operations on route 26. 3/21 Inf continued S&D operations in AO 2. F/17 Cav conducted one ROADRUNNER from TAY NINH to TRAI BI. At 1410 hrs, F/17 Cav conducted a reconnaissance vic XT166550 in an attempt to locate possible enemy radio transmission site. The troop had no contact.

(1) 2/1 Inf: Co A secured the laterite pit operation. The battalion conducted two ambushes at TAY NINH with no contact. One plat, Co C remains at SUOI DA securing arty units at that location.

(2) 3/21 Inf: 3/21 Inf (+) continued operations in AO 2. The battalion base camp was located vic XT152480. At 1945 hrs, Co B received 4 rifle grenades and 4 bursts of AW fire at XT152485.

Fire was returned with undetermined results. At 2110 hrs, Co B received one rifle grenade in the same area. At 2100 hrs, a rifle grenade exploded NW of Co B's perimeter. At 1107 hrs, Co B commenced

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S & D operations to XT165490 - XT165487 and XT15489 closing at 1455 hrs. At 1137 hrs, Co A commenced airmobile assault in LZ at XT167488 and conducted S & D to XT172450 - XT187470 closing and establishing base camp at that location at 1457 hrs. At 1226 hrs, Co C and C/1/5 Mech commenced S & D operations from base camp to XT160492 - XT178492 to XT178483 - XT158489 closing at 1545 hrs. CP of battalion located at XT158489.

(3) 4/31 Inf: 4/31 Inf conducted 9 ambush patrols along route 26. At 2033 hrs, Co B ambush patrol engaged an unknown number of VC at XT318476. Enemy casualties are not known. the battalion closed TAY NINH at 1545 hrs.

(4) 3/82 Arty: 3/82 Arty and attached units fired 94 H & I missions from 281900 - 290700 Nov 66. C/3/82 Arty closed TAY NINH at 1600 hrs. Btry D continued in support of USSF from XT34555765. A/3/82 Arty fired 3 preparations and 7 targets of opportunity. Btry A fired 4 missions in support of ARVN outpost (BUDDY). B/3/82 Arty fired at VC in the open at XT411575 with no significant surveillance. B/3/13 Arty (-) fired 3 illumination missions, 2 suppression missions, 5 targets of opportunity and 2 preparations. Illumination was fired in support of ARVN outpost (Operation BUDDY). Preparations were fired in support of 3/21 Inf and suppression fires in support of USSF operations.

b. Plans Summary. 196th Lt Inf Bde will continue operation FITCHBURG with 3/21 Inf continuing operations in AO 2. Co A will establish a blocking position from XT162483 to XT172482 to XT180472. At 0800 hrs, Co C conducts S & D from XT162483 to XT168482 to XT178470 at 0800 hrs. Recon platoon, Co D conducts overnight ambush at XT132499

3/21 Inf will be extracted by helicopter on 30 Nov 66. 4/31 Inf conducts company size airmobile assault vic XT052. 2/1 Inf conducts airmobile assault into LZ vic XT1357.

- c. Major Unit Operations.
 - (1) FITCHBURG continuing.
 - (2) US LOSSES

(Cumulative) 0 0 0 0 0/0

2. (c) Statistical Summary.

C-1	TAY NINH	XT318476	Rte Scty	FITCHBURG	282033H/Cont
C-2	TAY NINH	XT152480	S & D	FITCHBURG	NA/NA
D-1	196 Bde	C-1	282033H(N)/282204H(N)	Fr	No No
D-2	196 Bde	C-2	NA/NA	NA	No No

k3-k4 No entries
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- 3. (U) Civil Affairs - No entries.
- 4. (C) BUSHMASTER Operations

- a. 0
- b. 0

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SITREP 291801 - 301800 Nov 66

1.(C) Operation Summary:

a. General. 196th Lt Inf Bde continued operation FITCHBURG. 3/21 Inf terminated operations in AO 2. 2/1 Inf and 4/31 Inf conducted one company airmobile operation each. Ambush patrolling vicinity TAY NINH continued. F/17 Cav conducted ROADRUNNER and convoy security from TAY NINH to SUOI DA. The troop had no contact.

(1) 2/1 Inf: Co B conducted airmobile assault and S & D operations vic XT1357 commencing 0930 hrs. At 1430 hrs the company closed forward base camp at XT123552. There was no contact during the operation today. 2/1 Inf conducted two overnight ambush patrols vic TAY NINH with no contact. Co C returned to TAY NINH from securing Arty btry at SUOI DA at 1000 hrs.

(2) 3/21 Inf: 3/21 Inf (+) continued S&D operations in AO 2. Ambush patrol of recon plat, Co D, conducted overnight ambush at XT132499 with no contact. At 0625 hrs, Co B received SA fire at XT153489 and returned fire. Results of friendly fire is not known.

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At 0830 hrs, 3/21 Inf (+) commenced S & D operations with C B blocking from XT172482 - XT180472. Co B conducted S & D from XT162483 - XT172482 - XT180482. Co C conducted S & D from XT12483[sic]- XT168482 - XT172470. C/1/5 Mech conducted S & D from XT160482 - XT160470 - XT177468. There was no contact and at 1300 hrs, 3/27 Inf (+) was extracted leaving behind one plat, Co C to conduct ambush patrol at XT159482.

(3) 4/31 Inf: Co A conducted airmobile assault commencing at 1118 hrs, into LZ at XT102513 and conducted S & D operations to XT117540. At XT117540, Co A linked up with B/2/1 Inf and formed a two company base under OPCON 4/31 Inf. There was no contact during the operation. A two platoon ambush (plat Co D and plat Co A, 2/34 Armor) was conducted overnight at XT125517 with no contact.

(4) 3/82 Arty: 3/82 Arty and attached units fired 80 H & I missions from 291900 to 300700 Nov 66. B/3/82 Arty closed TAY NINH from SUOI DA at 1000 hrs. B/1/8 Arty detached 3/82 Arty effective 1200 hrs. 3/82 Arty fired 10 navigation missions and two registrations during the period. C/2/32 Arty fired at suspected VC location at XT181778. There was no surveillance.

b. Plans Summary. 196th Lt Inf Bde will continue FITCHBURG with Co D, 2/1 Inf and Co A, 4/31 Inf conducting overnight ambush patrols vic field base camp. At 0730 hrs Co B, 2/1 Inf reverts to OPCON 2/1 Inf and Co A, 4/31 OPCON 2/1 Inf. Both units will be extracted terminating FITCHBURG. 4/31 (Inf (-) will conduct airmobile assault into AO 3 commencing operation LANCASTER. 196th Lt Inf Bde will continue ambush patrolling vic TAY NINH.

c. Major Unit Operations.
C-1 TAY NINH XT153489 S & D FITCHBURG 200625H/Cont
C-2 TAY NINH XT117540 S & D FITCHBURG NA/NA

D-1 196 Bde C-1 300625H(D)/300627H(D) En No No

D-2 196 Bde B/2/1 Inf & A/2/1 Inf C-2 NA/NA
NA/ No No

k3-k4 No entries.

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3.(U) Civil Affairs.

- a. Civic Actions: HHHC, 196th Bde medic inoculated 94 persons for smallpox, tetnus and typhoid.
- b. PSYOPS. 40,000 leaflets were dropped and 2 hours of CHIEU HOI tapes were played at XT159375, XT135353, XT179312 and XT203368.

4. (C) BUSHMASTER Operations.

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- b. 0