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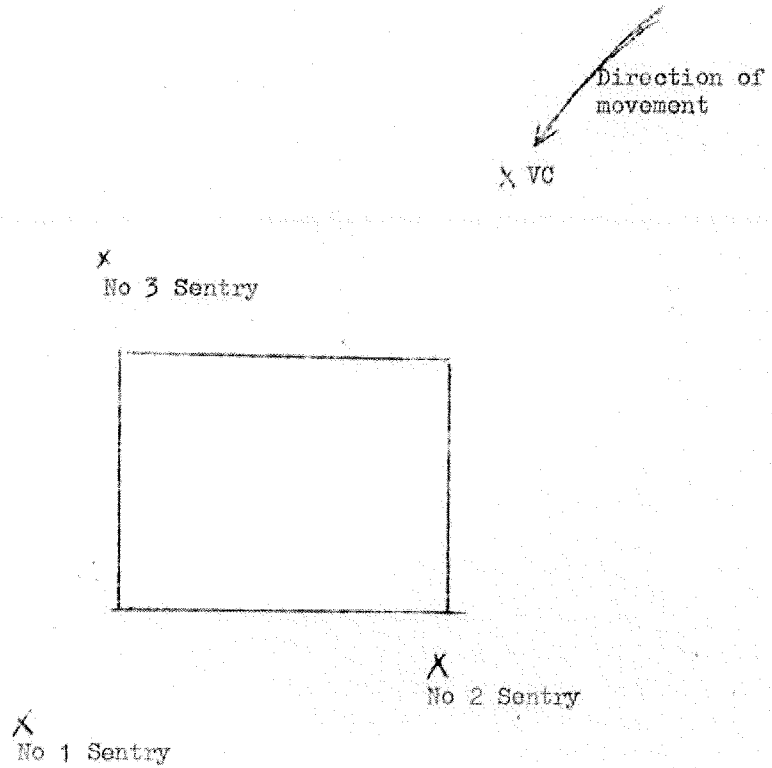
1. NAPIER
2. 40554 Lt BLAIR
3. 1 Pl W Coy 6 RAR/NX(ANZAC) Bn
4. 1 Offr, 15 ORs.
5. 031925 Feb 70.
6. YS449890
7. Ambush
8. See ANNEX 'A'
9. Very open, almost devoid of vegetation.
10. 40 metres
11. Sentry
12. Covering for another person who was siting claymore.
13. Movement
14. NVA, shorts & shirt (black)
15. En at 40m.
16. SLR.
17. Fired about 4/5 rds.
18. Return on fire.
19. 1 KIA.
20. SLR
21. Nil
22. Nil
23. SIR, 2.
24. One water container and some documents.
25. Nil
26. Nil
27. Neg
28. Neg
29. See serial 23.
30. Sentry groups were widely spread to cover all approaches to the house. As a result ambush commander did not have communications with all his groups. Squad radios would have been helpful in this ambush.

W BLAIR Lt Pl Comd

E TORRENCE Major Coy Comd

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Enemy approached and sighted by sentry No 2 . Sentry No 2 was waiting until en in claymore area. En saw sentry No 3 setting up claymore. En fired at Sentry No 3 who fired back. Sweep in the morning revealed the body.

It is assumed, as no wpn was located, that a second VC fired the shots.

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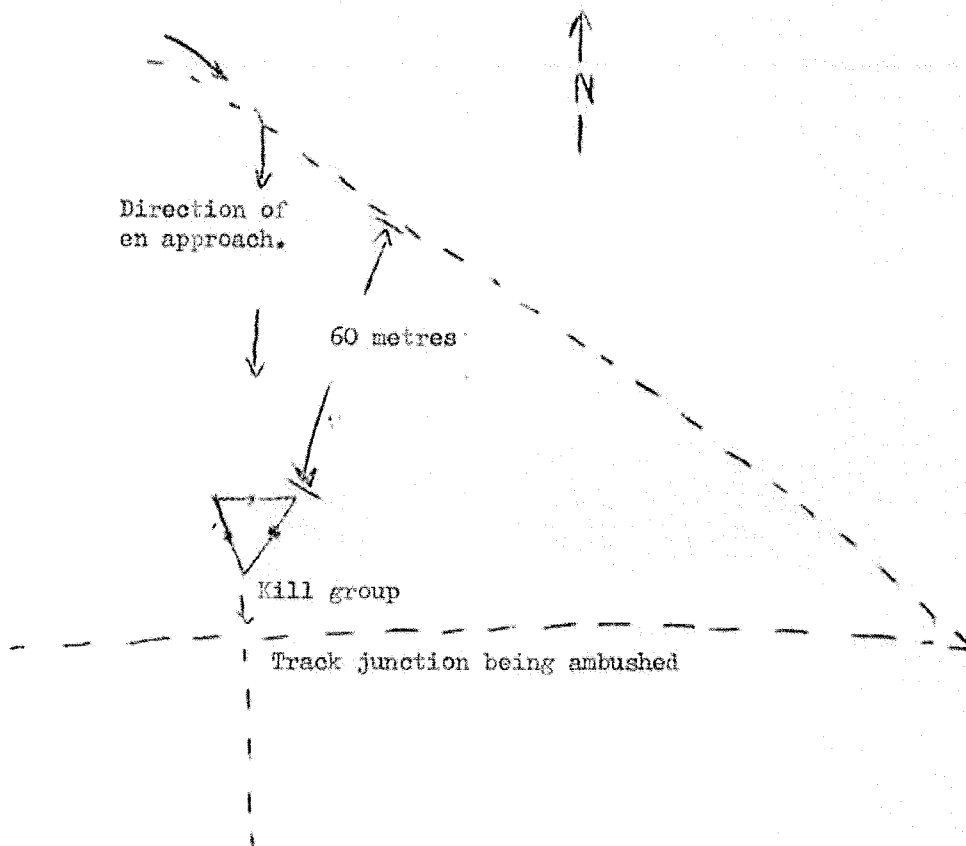
1. NAPIER
2. 41473 Lt FISHER
3. 3 Pl W Coy 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn
4. 1 Offr, 11 ORs.
5. 041931 Feb 70.
6. YS455897
7. Recce in force, ambushing.
8. See ANNEX 'A'.
9. Ground sloping from North to South. Coffee plantation. Bushes 10' high. Ground clear underneath. Visibility 20m standing, 40m lying. At time of contact, 20m lying.
10. 20metres.
11. Three members of rifle group.
12. Standing to.
13. Movement.
14. Because of light, unknown, assumed local.
15. Rifle group at 15 metres.
16. SLR, M16.
17. Withdrew north.
18. Bn engaged by rifle fire, arty illumination called for.
19. Nil
20. Nil
21. Nil
22. Nil
23. M16, 100; SLR, 50; 12 x 105mm illum.
24. Nil
25. Rear pers in Pl concentrated initially on one VC and failed to observe another VC until he was almost on perimeter. Resulted in momentary panic and inaccurate firing. Pers must continue to watch their arcs despite what is happening elsewhere.
26. Nil
27. NA
28. NA
29. See para 23
30. Requirement for personnel to observe their own arcs when standing to.

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C/S was standing to in ambush position when en party taking short cut from track in north to track being ambushed, approached rear of ambush loc.

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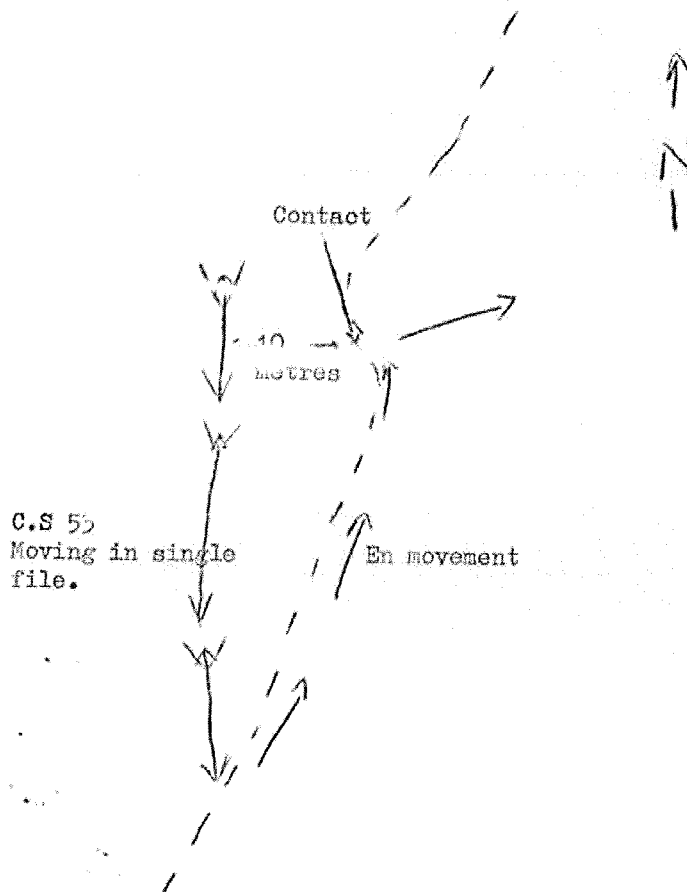
1. NAPIER
2. 41473 Lt FISHER
3. 3 Pl W Coy 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn
4. 1 Offr, 28 ORs.
5. 081600 Feb 70
6. YS376857
7. Recce in force, ambushing.
8. See ANNEX 'A'.
9. Flat ground. Thick bamboo with large number of bomb craters. Visibility 10 metres.
10. 10 metres.
11. Rear person of rear section.
12. Observing to east. Had heard movement.
13. Noise of movement.
14. Local, dressed in black and green.
15. Rear person of rear section at 10 metres.
16. M60, M16, SLR, M79, 105mm.
17. Withdrew east.
18. Rear two sections swept east. One KIA found at point of contact. Second KIA 30 metres east. Third KIA 100 metres east.
19. 3 KIA
20. M60, M16, SLR.
21. Nil
22. Nil
23. M60, 400; M16, 200; SLR, 100; M79, 12 HE; 12 x 105mm HE.
24. 1 AK47, 5 packs.
25. Rear section's M60 jammed when gunner's sweat rag was caught in belt and fed into gun. Loose clothing must be kept away from belts of ammo when on being fired.
26. Nil
28. NA
29. See para 23.
30. Swift follow up of blood trails resulted in very successful contact.

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P1 moving in Southerly direction through thick bamboo. Lead scout reported SW - NE track which had just been used. Almost simultaneously rear section observed and engaged en to East where SW - NE track swung in towards pl line of advance. En withdrew East.

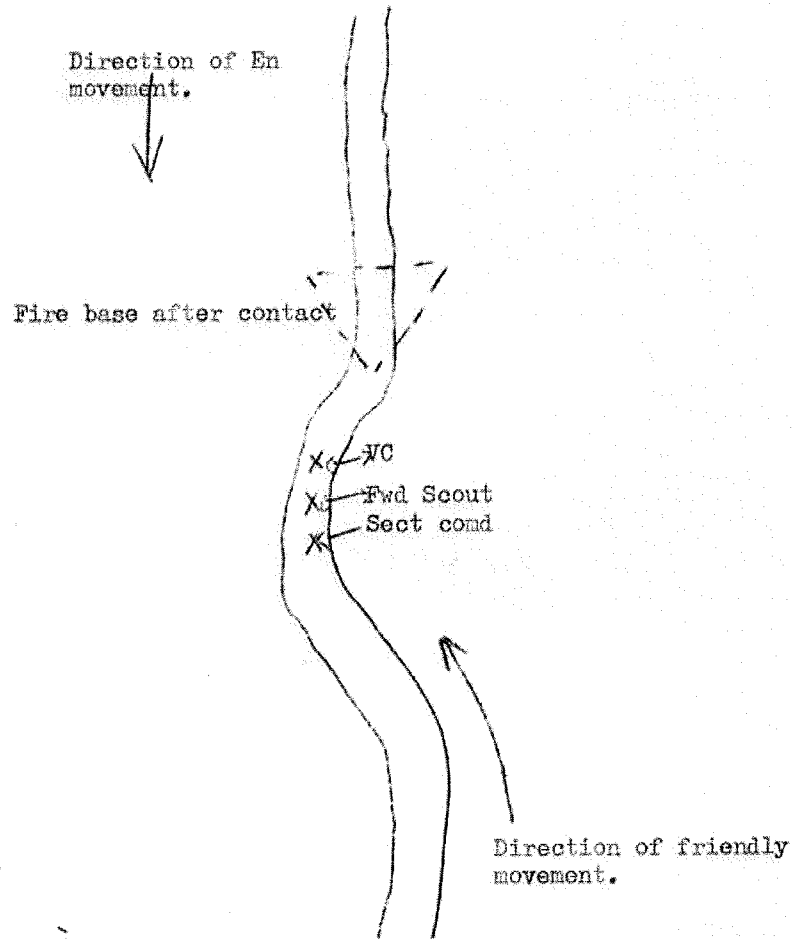
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2. 40554 Lt BLAIR
3. 1 Pl W Coy 6RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn
4. 1 Offr, 26 ORs
5. 110935 Feb 70
6. YS374827
7. RIF
8. See ANNEX 'A'.
9. Narrow track flanked by tall thick scrub.
10. 4 metres
11. Fwd scout
12. Moving
13. Imminent collision
14. Unknown as to type, dress, black.
15. Fwd scout, 3 metres.
16. SLR, M16.
17. Killed immediately.
18. Sweep forward.
19. 1 KIA.
20. SLR, M16.
21. Nil
22. Nil
23. M16, 48; SLR, 28.
24. One pack - food, clothing, docs, transistor radio.
25. Nil
26. Nil
27. Neg
28. Neg
29. See para 23.
30. Nil

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Whilst moving along a track a head on contact was made. Fwd scout shot en and then moved past him. Sect comd also shot en and moved past to redeploy 20 metres past contact area.