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2 RAR/NZ(ANZAC) Bn NUI DAT 14/7/5 H

OPS 5/70

Op Instr 1 /70 (OP ASHFIELD)

To : Capt J BROWN A/OC W COY

References: A . Map, VIETNAM; Series L8015; Sheets 1: 25,000.

- B. 1 ATF OPS 0551 of 130930Z May 70.
- C. 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn Op Instr 16 of 3 May 70.

### 1. Situation.

- a. Enemy Forces. Briefing separately.
- b. Friendly Forces.
  - (1) 1 ATF. No change to 1 ATF Sitrep. SAS patrols operating in AO north of AO MAGIC.
  - (2) RF/PF. Locations Annex
- c. Atts and Dets.
  - (1) Under command from 150700H

MFC One sect mor pl One sect aslt pnr pl. One Mini team 1 Tp 1 Fd Sqn.

- (2) In DS until two hrs after Mor Sect in action.
- (3) Remaining in DS.
- (4) In Sp from 141500H....
- (5) In sp for deployment to AO MAGIC.
- (6) Det to under comd HQ 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) from 140730H.

FO Party 107 Fd Bty.

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C Bty 2/35 Arty (US) (155mm).

No 9 Sqn RAAF, as tasked.

2 Pl W Coy. MFC. Sect mor pl. Det sig pl (RR).

- 2. Mission. You are to conduct recce and ambush ops in AO MAGIC.
  - Execution.

a. Gen Outline. W Coy less one platoon is to deploy into AO MAGIC by air on 15 May 70. One platoon remains LONG SON island in accordance with Reference C until approximately 18 May 70. Reconnaissance and ambush ops are to be conducted in AO MAGIC. Operations in AO MAGIC expected to continue to 25 May 70.

#### b. Tasks.

- (1) W Coy (-).
  - (a) Redeploy by air to AO MAGIC. LZ YS 311659.
  - (b) Establish FSB vicinity LZ.
  - (c) Conduct recce and ambush ops in AO M.GIC.
- (2) 2 PL W Coy. Continue present ops on LONG SON island in accordance with Reference C.

#### c. Arty.

- (1) LZ preparation from 150935 150955 hrs.
- (2) Support W Coy operations in AO MAGIC, within range.

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#### d. Co-ord Instructions.

- (1) AO. Annex A (issued as maps to W Coy).
- (2) Civilian Access. No civilian access in AO MAGIC.
- (3) Ground Clearance. Ground clearance required for W Coy operations with 1000 metres of northern bdry AO MAGIC and within 500 metres of eastern, western and southern boundries. Clearance from 1 ATF CP through 2 RAR/NZ CP.
- (4) Hrs. 151000H.
- (5) Air.
  - (1) LZ preparation.
    - (a) FGA; 150905 150935 hrs.
    - (b) LFT; 150935 151000 hrs.
  - (2) Redeployment W Coy(-). Air planning table issued separately as Annex C.
  - (3) Maintenance and Resup. As tasked, for W Coy(-) and 2 Pl W Coy.

#### 4. Admin and Log.

- a. Maint. SOP.
- b. Rats. 3 days rations.
- c. Mor ammo. 280 rds airlifted on insertion 15 May, (200 HE,50WP, 30 illum).
- 5. Comd and Sig.
  - a. Comd. W Coy (-) to under comd 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) 150900H. 2 Pl W Coy from under comd HQ 1 ATF to under comd 6 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) 140730H, to under comd 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) 150900H.
  - b. Radio.
    - (1) W Coy(-). Bu comd net.
    - (2) 2 Pl W Coy. Bn comd net, callsign 52
    - (3) RR. Estb LONG SON Island 14 May 70. Provide RR to W Coy(-) as required from 150900H.
    - (4) SOI. 1 ATF SOI.
  - c. Reports. LOCSTATS, SITREPS, Contact and Incident reports through 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) CP.

Ack Instia: ACK (Telephone to CP).

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Annexes: A. HF/PF Locations.

B. Boundries (W Coy only).

C. Air Planning Table (restricted distribution).

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Distribution:	Copy No(incl Annex A)	Annex C
A Coy	1 2 3 4 5 - 9	
B Coy	2	
C Coy	3	
V Coy	4	
W Coy	5 - 9	1 - 2
Sp Coy	10	
Admin Coy	11	
EAGLE FARM	12	3
Mor Pl	13	
Sig Pl	14	
A Tk Pl	15	
Aslt Pnr Pl	16	
Bn CP	17 - 18	4
4 Fd Regt	19 - 20	- 27
1 Fd Sqn	21	
No 9 Son RAAF	22	
USAF ALO 1 ATF	23	
7 RAR	24	
8 RAR	25 -	
HQ 1 ATF	26 - 50	
CO	51	5
SIC	52	6
BC	53	
Ops Offr	54	7
Adjt	53 54 55	
10	56	
QM	57 58	
RMO	58	
RSM	59	
NZ Component	60	
Comd Diary	61 - 65	8
Spare	66 - 68	
File	69	9

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ANNEX B TO 2 RAR/NZ (ANZAC) Bn OP INSTR 1/70 DATED FY MAY 70

## OP ASHFIELD RF/FF LOCATIONS

Serial	Ident	Location	Remarks
(a)	(1)	(0)	(a)
		RF	
LONG PHUOC HOA			
1.	577 HF Coy	YS 281639	-
APONG TRINH			
2.	252 RF Coy	YS 257680	-
		PF	

PF forces varying in strength from four to 10 men are located in most of the hamlets and villages along Route 15.