men wounded at 0925 hours when a booby trapped hand grenade exploded during a company sweep three kilemeters northeast of DUC HOA (XS623973). Between 1400 hours and 1700 hours Companies A,B and D apprehended a total of 22 detainess and captured eight six prisoners-of-war in the search of a village 5.5 kilometers east of BAO TRAI (XT575035. At 1530 hours helicopters gunships supporting this operation received ground fire from a position 1.5 kilometers southwest of the village (XT581025). One aircraft crew member was wounded by this burst of fire.

Elswhere in the 2nd Brigade area, C Company, 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry apprehended nine detainess at 0949 hours as the company conducted a sweep operation through an area 6.5 kilometers east of GO DAU HA (XT+66246). At 1325 hours helicopter gunships supporting another battalion operation 4.5 north of TRANG BANG (XT502235) engaged two enemy with machine gun and rocket fire accounting for two kills.

In the 3rd Brigade area of operations the 3rd Brigade Combined Reconnaissance and Intelligence Platoon moved into the MICHELIN Rubber Plantation to conduct search operations. At 1015 hours the unit apprehended one detained at a point four kilometers northeast of DAU TIENG (IT516500). Moving two kilometers farther to the northeast (IT521517) the platoon discovered and destroyed a claywore mine at 1115 hours.

Personnel of D Company, 65th Engineer Battalion assisting B Company, 2nd Battalion (Mechanized), 22nd Infantry with a sweep of route 14 south of DAU TIENG destroyed one hand grenade, one 155mm round and one 81mm mortar round located at a bridge site on the road three kilometers north of THANH AN (XT524408). At 0900 hours, however, B Company personnel moving along the road at a point five kilometers south of DAU TIENG (XT511425) detonated a booky trapped hand grenade resulting in three infantrymen being wounded.

At 1400 hours personnel of the Engineer Company moved into a location 200 meters west of the MUSHROOM in the SAIGON river (XT552343) where they destroyed a booby trapped cluster bomb unit.

Actioned slacked considerably in the 1st Battalion, 27th Infantry area of operations around the village of THANH AN. The only action reported involving personnel of the battalion occurred at 0815 hours when infantrymen from B Company destroyed two hand grenades discovered on route 14 at a point two kilometers south of DAU TIENG (IT499448).

Elements of B Troop, 3rd Squadron, 4th Cavalry searching through an area three kilometers southwest of GO DAU HA (XT362325) at 0815 hours located and destroyed one round of RPG-2 amounition. At 1243 hours C Troop suffered two men wounded when an armored personnel carrier struck an anti-tank mine buried in route 1 three kilometers west of BAU DIEU

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(XT540179). Later in the day at 1520 hours, the troop engaged an unknown number of enemy in a fire fight along route 7A 4.5 kilometers southeast of TRANG RANG (XT515152). Artillery and heicopter gunships were called into support the cavalrymen who suffered one man wounded in the exchange of fire. A sweep of the enemy positions after the fire ceased failed to turn up any enemy casualties.

Three enemy soldiers were killed and approximately 1,000 pounds of supplies were destroyed as a result of 24 Air Force fighter-bomber sorties flown within the 25th Infantry area of operational interest during the day.

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Action tappered off considerably in the division area of operations on 19 November, to significany actions were reported in the 1st Brigade area of operations.

In the 2nd Brigade area six incidents took place. One man from Headquarters Company, 65th Engineer Rattalion was wounded when an antitank mine was detonated eight kilometers northwest of DUC HOA (XT537-016) at 1300 hours. At 1220 hours A Company, 2nd Rattalion, 14th Infantry reported locating and destroying three hand grenades during sweep operation seven kilometers northwest of DUC HOA (XT576025).

Elsewhere, the 2nd Battalion, 27th Infantry moved into an area north of GO DAU H. (XT3634) where at 1200 hours C Company located a small supply dump containing 100 flashlight batteries, 100 pounds of medical supplies, 15 pounds of assorted enemy documents and two radio batteries. One kilometer northwest of where C Company had made its find (XT355356), A Company located six rounds of RPG-7 ammunition and six rocket boosters at 1653 hours.

Approximately 3,000 pounds of rice were captured by elements of D Company, 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry as that unit conducted a sweep operation seven kilometers southwest of TRUONG MIT (XT335366) at 1200 hours. At 0830 hours C Company, 1st Battalion (Mechanized), 5th Infantry reported receiving one Hoi Chanh with an SES carbine. This incident took place as the company was sweeping through the village of THAI MY (IT524150). Elements of C Company, 65th Engineer Battalion assisting the mechanized infantrymen in the search of the village located and destroyed one anti-tank mine on route 7% where it passes through the populated area.

In the 3rd Brigade area, the Combined Reconnaissance and Intelligence Platoon of the 1st Battalion, 27th Infantry was sweeping 1.5 kilometers southwest of THANH AN (IT522365) at 1045 hours when it located 25 gallons of gasoline. At 1100 hours the battalion's B Company searching 2.5 kilometers north of THANH AN (IT559401) located and destroyed one antitank mine.

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Troops working directly under divisional control reported full contacts during time day. At 1030 hours B Troop, 3rd Squadron, 4th Cavalry working five kilometers southwest of TRUONG MIT (XT35.377) located and destroyed seven rounds of RPG-7 wassunition and two rounds of RPG-E assunition.

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The Agrorifle Platoon, C Troop, 3rd Squadron, 17th Cavalry was credited with destroying four rounds of 82mm mortar ammunition located in an enemy bunker at a location eight kilometers southwest of BAO DON (XT352348). This action took place a 0915 hours. At 1225 hours the platoon was again set down a short distance from where the mortar rounds were discovered earlier (XT355356). Here the unit came under small arms fire from an unknown number of enemy. The contact was supported by the armed helicopters of the troop, and when the Aerorifle Platoon pushed into the enemy positions, it discovered two enemy dead.

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One engineer from B Company, 65th Engineer Battalion was wounded when the truck in which he was riding struck an anti-tank mine. This incident occurred at 1130 hours on route 10 kilometer south of BAO TRAI (IT533027).

Air Force fighter-bombers flew 27 combat sorties throughout the divisional area of operation during the day and were credited with killing three enemy soldiers.

20 November

For the second consecutive day no significant actions were reported within the 1st Brigade area of operations. Action contained to be relatively light in the 2nd Brigade area also.

B Company, 2nd Battalion, 14th Infantry apprehended one detained at 1600 hours as it swept through an area six kilometers north of DUC HOA (XT602204). At 1000 hours A Company, 2nd Battalion, 34th Armor received three rounds of small arms fire as it pushed through an area three kilometers east of the CU CHI Base Camp (XT696173). The company returned the enemy's fire and assembled into his position to located one enemy dead and two AK-47 rifle magazines.

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C Company, 1st Battalion (Machanized), 5th Infantry continued to operate in the THAI MY village complex where it reported several incidents. At 0818 hours the company destroyed a booby trapped 155mm round located within the village (XT542151). A short distance away (XT540150) the company located and destroyed two anti-tank mines at 1000 hours. In the meantime the battalion's B Company was active around a location 1.5 kilometers northwest of TRUNG LAP (XT79228). Here a booby trapped hand grenade wounded one member of the unit at 1000 hours. At 1145 hours another infantryman was wounded by a booby trap of unknown type as the company continued to search through the area. At 1350 hours B Company apprehended one detained for questioning as it completed its sweep and

prepared to return to its base a Fire Support Base PATTON.

In the 3rd Brigade area of operations, D Company, 65th Engineer place at 1030 hours. At 1200 hours the mechanized battalion's B Company detained one suspect for questioning as it swept through the BEN CUI Rubber Plantation 2.5 kilometers southwest of DAU TIENG (XT465450).

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destroyed an anti-tank mine at 0829 hours as it worked in an area four kilometers northeast of GO DAU HA (XT435272).

In the air over the division tactical area of operations, Air Porce fighter-bomber flew 26 combat sorties against enemy targets. These strikes were credited with killing one enemy soldier by body count.

21 November

Compat action within the 1st Brigade area of operations continued extremely light as no significant actions were reported for the day. In the 2nd Brigade area all battalions reported significant actions with the exception of the 2nd Battslion. 34th Armor.

A Company, 2nd Battalion, 14th Infantry captured one Viet Cong Infrastructure member at 1105 hours as the company conducted a sweap operation through an area eight kilometers east of BAO TRAI (XT602038). At 1315 hours elements of the same company came into contact with an unknown number of enemy at a point 5.5 kilometers northeast of DUC HOA (XT619018). In a short but fierce fire fight, the infantrymen killed one enemy soldier and captured two.

In the 2nd Battalion, 27th Infantry area of operations two incidents occurred during the day. A 0900 hours D Company detained two suspects for questioning as the unit pushed through an area seven kilometers south of TRANG BANG (XT478117). At 2300 hours the battalion night location at Fire Support Base REED (XT477125) received 20 rounds of 82mm mortar fire and an unknown number of small arms fire which resulted in the wounding of seven personnel. The enemy fire was returned with small arms, mortars and artillery, but the results of this return fire could not be determined.

Company C, 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry swept through an area eight kilometers northeast of TRANG BANG (XT534254) where at 1400 hours it apprehended one detainee. B Company of the battalion conducted a Sweep 7.5 kilometers northeast of TRANG BANG (XT513262) where at 1400 hours it apprehended two detainees.

The Scout Platoon, 1st Battalion (Mechanized), 5th Infantry came under small arms and mortar fire at 0726 hours as it moved into an area

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one kilemeter northeast of TRUNG LAP (XT601222). Two plateon members were wounded by the fire which was returned by organic weapons with unknown effects on the enemy. At 0950 hours personnel of the battalion's A Company destroyed a booby trapped hand grenade as the company conducted a sweep operation one kilometer northeast of BAU DIEU (XT572175). A short distance away (XT572178) at 1009 hours, other members of the unit discovered and destroyed an anti-tank mine. Elements of C Company, 65th Engineer Battalion operating in support of the machanized battalion in this same general area (XT572173) destroyed two anti-tank mines at 1205 hours.

In the 3rd Brigade area of operation one member of B Company, 2nd Battalion (Mechanized), 22nd Infantry was killed and another wounded at 1130 hours when an anti-tank exploded on route 14 four kilometers south of DAU TIENG (XT510426). Another element of the battalion working along route 26 one kilometer from BAO DON (XT426366) came under small arms fire at 1340 hours but escaped without casualties. A thorough search of the area after the fire ceased resulted in the apprehengion of five detainees.

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The 1st Battalien, 27th Infantry was active during the day around the TRAPEZOID village of THANH AN. At C925 hours B Company sweeping 1.5 kilometers northeast of the village located one enemy body. C Company was sweeping a short distance to the northwest of B Company (IT536395) where at 1040 hours it came under sniper fire which resulted in the killing of one infantryman. The sniper fire was returned, but enemy losses could not be determined.

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At 1125 hours B Company searching the area where it had found the enemy body earlier in the morning discovered an amminition cache consisting of 207 RPG-7 rounds, 27 RPG-2 rounds and 85 RGP boosters. In addition one H-1 carbine, one hand grenade, two anti-tank mines and one typewriter were uncovered in the immediate area.

Elswhere in the division area during the day, one member of A Troop, 3rd Squadron, 4th Cavalry was wounded at 2259 hours when the outpost he was manning along route 1 four kilometers southeast of TRANG BANG (IT525186) was attacked by fire. The outpost returned the enemy fire and called in artillery. Enemy losses could not be determined.

One sampan was destroyed by a helicopter from C Troop, 3rd Squadron, 17th Air Cavalry a canal nine kilometers west of BAO TRAI (IT438048). Air Force fighter-bombers added their fire power against the enemy by flying 19 combat sorties against enemy targets in the division area of operations. The results of these strikes could not be determined.

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In the 1st Brigade area of operations B Company, 4th Battalion (Mechanized), 23rd Infantry apprehended two detainess at 0945 hours as the company conducted a sweep operation 5.5 kilometers northwest of the TAY NINH Base Camp (IT125658). At 1425 hours A Company of the battalion discovered and destroyed three 82mm mortar rounds as it pushed through an area four kilometers southwest of the base camp (IT135485).

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Several significant actions took place in the 2nd Brigade area during the day. At 1630 hours D Company, 2nd Battalion, 14th Infantry reported the apprehension of one detained picked up as the company swept through an area 4.5 kilometers northeast of DUC HOA (XS632994). At 0904 hours C Company captured one pound of assorted enemy documents during a search operation seven kilometers southwest of TRANG HANG (IT467133). A short distance away (IT460113) the company located and destroyed a cache of 23 82mm mortar rounds at 1058 hours.

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The 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry continued its sweeps around TRANG BANG. At 0855 hours D Company located several enemy documents in a bunker found five kilometers southwest of the town (XTH59154). At 1405 hours C Company detained three individuals while it swept an area 3.5 kilometers south of TRANG BANG (XT484157).

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The 1st Battalion (Mechanized), 5th Infantry reported three actions resulting from its operations during the day. At 1215 hours personnel from C Company, 65th Engineer Battalion supporting elements of the mechanized battalion as it searched through a portion of the THAI MY village complex (XT522151) located and destroyed one anti-tank mine. C Company of the mechanized battalion spent the day searching through BAU DIEU (XT5617) where at 1400 hours it apprehended four detainess for questioning by local officials. B Company in the meantime was sweeping 2.5 kilometers northwest of BAU DIEU (XT560190) where at 1430 hours it received a burst of small arms fire. The company returned the enemy's fire and swept into his portion to locate one dead soldier, a 9mm pistol two pounds of medical supplies and three pounds of documents.

Action continued to be steady within the 3rd Brigade area of operations.

At 1200 hours B Company, 4th Battalion, 9th Infantry swept through an area five kilometers southeast of DaU TIENG (XT533425) and uncovered a cache of.

400 pounds of rice and one bicycle.

The 2nd Battalion (Mechanized), 22nd Infantry reported several incidents during the day. At 0755 hours B Company located and destroyed one RPG-2 round at a point five kilometers west of DAU TIENG (XT437450). Another element of this company sweeping route 14 south of DAU TIENG at 0830 hours detected and destroyed an anti-tank mine at a point 4.5 kilometers from the town (XT517420).

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C Company, 4th Battalion, 9th Infantry working under the operational control of the 2nd Battalion (Mechanized), 22nd Infantry swept through an area in the BOI LOI woods two kilometers north of IRUONG MIT (XT393424).

Here at 1155 hours the company detained eleven suspects. At 1339 hours personnel from D Company, 65th Engineer Battalion working in support of the mechanized battalion's operations in an area six kilometers north of GO DAU HA (XT369315) desiroyed one booby trapped 155mm round. Company C of the mechanized battalion swept through an area 5.5 kilometers northeast of BOA DON (XT475395) where at 1525 hours it uncovered a small enemy

OR/1225 div Nov1 68 to Jan 31 69 Nov 22 pg 2 of 3 pgs ammunition cache consisting of four hand grenades and 50 small arms rounds At 1640 hours the mechanized battalion's Scout Platoon reported apprehending one detaines as it conducted operations 6.5 kilometers east of GO DAU HA (IT459252).

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The 1st Battalion, 27th Infantry continued operations around THA...H
AN. At 0717 hours at a point one kilometer east of the village (XT546378),
A Company located and destroyed one hand grenade. Company C discovered a
large enemy cache at 0820 hours as it searched through an area 2.5 kilometers
north of the village. This cache contained 31 rounds of RPG-2 amountation,
6.600 small arms rounds, 29 RPG boosters, one Enfield rifle, five SKS rifles
25 light machine guns, 14 rifle grenades and two 60mm mortar rounds. C
Company remained in the general area of the cache throughout the day, and
at 1430 hours came under small arms fire which resulted in the wounding of
seven infantrymen. The company returned the enemy fire and called in
supporting fire from artillery units and Air Force fighter-bombers. After
the fire fight ceased and the enemy withdrew, the company searched the
contact site and located four enemy bodies.

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Units operating directly under divisional control experienced considerable action during the day.

At 1145 hours elements of D Troop, 3rd Squadron, 4th Cavalry operating in the nortern HO BO Woods 13 kilometers north of the CU CHI Base Camp (XT642298) came under small arms fire which wounded three men. This enemy fire was returned with unknown results. A Troop of the squadron sweeping four kilometers west of the CU CHI Base Camp (XT605152) discovered a bunker into which an enemy soldier had disappered. The cavalrymen engaged the bunker with hand grenades. Checking out the bunker later, the cavalrymen located one dead enemy and an M-16 rifle.

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Long range reconnaissance teams from F Company, 50th Infantry had two contacts with the enemy during the day. At 1804 hours a team in position one kilometer west of the MUSHROOM in the SAIGON River (XT552323) received heavy enemy fire which wounded two team members. The team returned the enemy fire and was extracted by helicopter. Another team hiding at a position 200 meters south of the MUSHROOM (XT578308) ambushed an enemy column at 2022 hours. After the firing ceased, the "Lerp" moved forward from their ambush position to locate 10 dead enemy soldiers. Two team member were wounded in this fight.

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A helicopter gunship from C Troop, 3rd Squadron, 17th Air Cavalry accounted for two kills and destroyed a sampan in an action along a canal nine kilometers west of TRANG BANG (XT394194) at 0740 hours. At 0839 hours elements of D Company, 65th Engineer Battalion working on route 14 six kilometers south of DAU TIENG (XT482397) reported locating and destroying an anti-tank mine.

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A total of 27 fighter-bomber sorties were flown by Air Force pilots over the division tactical area of operational interest. Results of these strikes could not be determined.

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No significant activities were reported for the day by the 1st Brigade in its operations in the general vicinity of TAY NINH.

In the 2nd Brigade area of operations, both the 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry and 1st Battalion (Mechanized), 5th Infantry reported significant B 2-12 contacts with the enemy. At 1435 hours B Company, 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry engaged an unknown size enemy force during a sweep operation four kilometers northeast of TRAIG BAIG (XT524212). The company called in air strikes to augment its organic fires. Assulting into the enemy position, the infantrymen found one enemy dead and captured seven prisoners, six AK-47 rifles, two RPG rockets launchers and one M-79 grenade launcher. In addition, one detained was apprehended.

At 0905 hours C Company, 1st Battalion (Mechanized). 5th Infantry located and destroyed one anti-tank mine on route 7A as the road passes through the THAI MY village complex (XT541150). An hours later company personnel operating in the same general area detonated an anti-tank mine. The blast killed one man and wounded another. The battalion's Reconnaissance Platoon searching through an area two kilometers northeast of BAU DIEU (XT582186) at 1145 hours located and destroyed a war head to a 122mm rocket.

Six members of A Company of the battalion were wounded at 1225 hours when they detonated a booby trap of unknown type. The incident occurred as the company was searching through BAU DIEU (XT575174). At 1700 hours B Company located an anti-tank mine on a sweep 1.5 kilometers northwest of TRUNG LAP (XT579228). Company C sustained two men wounded when it came under enemy small arms fire as it searched through the village complex at THAI MI (XT542151). Earlier in the day at 1500 hours the company had detainedd nine suspects for questioning in the same general area.

Action in the 3rd Brigade occurred in the BEN CUI Rubber Plantation, the BOI LOI Woods and the TRAPE/OID. At 1845 hours the brigade CRIP moving through the BEN CUI 4.5 kilometers southwest of DAU TIENG (IT445445) ongaged an unknown number of enemy soldiers killing five in a fierce fire fight. In addition, the CRIP captured three pounds of enemy documents, one 38 cal pistol and 100,000 plasters. Three CRIP personnel were wounded in the fight.

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C Company, 4th Battalion, 9th Infantry had a major engagement at a location in the BOI LOI Woods 4.5 kilometers southwest of TRUONG MIT (XT360370). At 0915 hours during a sweep the company came under heavy fire from a hedgerow. Artillery fire and armed helicopters were called

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in to soften the enemy position, but when the company attempted to assault after the supporting fires were lifted it was against struck by withering enemy fire. The fight continued all day before the enemy broke contact. Company losses throughout the day were 15 killed and 20 wounded. A search of the enemy positions after he withdrew found six enemy bodies, one RPG-7 rocket launcher, seven AK-47 rifles, five rounds of RPG-7 ammunition, five pounds of enemy documents, five pounds of medical supplies, two hand granades and 11 pounds of explosives.

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A Vietnamese Regional Force Company that moved into the area to support the contact located an enemy cache at a location one kilometer east of the contact. The RF company captured 139 RPG-2 rounds, 700 rounds of small arms ammunition, seven rounds of 75mm ammunition, 11 carbines, 10 M-ligitles, one AK-47 rifle, two SK3 rifles and one M-16 rifle.

One member of A Company, 1st Battalion, 27th Infantry was wounded at 0940 hours when he detonated a booby trapped hand grenade as his unit A1-27 conducted a sweep operation three kilometers northeast of THANH AN (XT566386). At 1525 hours Company D of the battalion came under small arms fire as it searched an area 3.5 kilometers north of the town (IT548416). One infantryman was wounded by the fire which was returned with organic weapons and artillery.

Long range patrols of F Company, 50th Infantry (LRP) had two contacts with the enemy during the day. At 1744 hours a team ambushed five enemy F50 at a position 300 meters south of the MUSHROOM in the SAIGON River (IT612314). All five of the enemy were killed, and the patrol recovered three AK-47 rifles from the bodies. Two members were wounded by the enemy's return fire. Seven members of another team were wounded when the unit came into contact with an unknown number of enemy at 1910 hours four kilometers east of TRANG BANG (XT532197). The team was supported by helicopter gunships and was extracted by helicopter. Enemy losses in the fight could not be determined.

Armed helicopters of C Troop, 3rd Squadron, 17th Air Cavalry killed three enemy soldiers in an engagement at 1615 hours four kilometers east of TRANG BANG (XT533202). The aircraft detected the enemy troops in an open area and engaged them with automatic weapons and rocket fire.

24 November

In the 1st Brigade area of operations a significant action took place at 1332 hours when helicopter gunships patrolling the Cambodian border detected a large enemy force moving a few hundred meters east of the border 21 kilometers northwest of TAY NINH (WT975625). The aircraft struck at the enemy and called in additional aircraft for support. The enemy raced for the . protection of the border, but many were cut down before they could reach safety. A low level reconnaissance of the contact area after the firing ceased revealed 54 enemy bodies.

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In the 2nd Brigade area of operations, the 2nd Brigade command and control helicopter engaged and killed one enemy at 1530 hours. This incident occurred at a location eight kilometers southwest of TRANG BANG (XT441125).

Four infantrymen from C Company, 2nd Battalion, 27th Infantry were wounded by a booby trapped hand grenade at 1440 hours as the company conducted a sweep operation near the Cambodian border eight kilometers southwest of TRANG BANG (XT331113). At 1450 hours helicopter gunships supporting the battalion at this location engaged and killed one enemy soldier. Another C Company member was wounded by a booby trap at 1550 hours a few meters from where the earlier blast had occurred.

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Two kilometers west of TRANG BANG (XT490214) five infantrymen from B Company, 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry were wounded at 0920 hours when their unit came under fire. This enemy fire was returned with unknown results.

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Company C, 1st Battalion (Mechanized). 5th Infantry apprehended nine detainees during an early morning search of THAI MY (IT533151). In the meantime the battalion's a Company was taking 16 suspects into custody as it conducted a similar operation three kilometers north of BAU DIEU (XT575197). At 1445 hours B Company came under small arms fire as it swept four kilometers northeast of TRANG BANG (XT524218). The company returned the enemy's fire with organic weapons and called in helicopter gunships and artillery to engage the enemy positions. The infantrymen later pushed into the enemy positions to discover four bodies and one AK-47 rifle. Seven suspects found in the immediate area were also taken into custody for questioning.

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In the 3rd Brigade area of operations, at 1426 hours B Company, 4th Battalien, 9th Enfantry swept through an area 7.5 kilometers west of BAC DON and discovered 100 rounds of small arms ammunition, one hand grenade, six rounds of RPG ammunition and 10 pounds of enemy documents.

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The 1st Battalion, 27th Infantry working again in the area around THANH AN experienced several actions during the day. At 0543 hours the battalion's CRIP was fired upon by an unknown number of enemy during a unit search an area four kilometers north of the village (XT546147). The enemy fire was returned with unknown results while the platoon sustained one man killed and one wounded. At 1000 hours the battalion command post as Fire Support Base MAHONE within the village (XT538375) received six rounds of 82mm mortar fire which wounded nine personnel. The base returned the fire with its artillery unknown results. At 1345 hours the battalion's D Company engaged two enemy soldiers at a location 4.5 kilometers north of THANH AN (XT549421). One dead enemy soldier was located after this brief fire fights

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Elswhere in the division area, helicopters from C Troop, 3rd Squadron, 17th Air Cavalry engaged an estimated 20 enemy soldiers

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detected in the open at a location 12 kilometers south of GO DAU HA. Three enemy soliers died in the helicopter attack which took place at 0930 hours.

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25 November

No significant actions took place in the 1st Brigade area of operations. In the 2nd Brigade D Company, 2nd Battalion, 14th Infantry captured eight 107mm rocket launcher tubes and one RPG-2 rocket launcher when it discovered an enemy storage site 5.5 kilometers west of BAO TRAI (XT475055) at 1040 hours. The Reconnaissance Platoon of the 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry captured 300 pounds of rice and detained three suspects for questioning as it searched through an area 5.5 kilometers northeast of TRANG BANG (XT512248) at 1700 hours.

In the 3rd Brigade area of operations during the day, D Company, 4th Battalion,9th Infantry discovered 400 pounds of rice as it conducted a sweep operation eight kilometers southeast of DAU TIE.G (IT564442). During the afternoon the battalion's Scout Platoon swept through an area 9.5 kilometers southeast of TAY NINH where it discovered four enemy bodies, three rounds of 82mm mortar ammunition, one anti-tank mine and 50 hand grenades.

Seven members of the 1st Battalion, 27th Infantry were wounded at 0605 hours when the battalion night location at Fire Support Base MAHONE (IT538375) was struck by 10 rounds of 82mm mortar fire. The enemy's fire was returned by the base artillery with unknown results. . One infantryman was killed at 1125 hours when he detr about an anti-personnel mine during a company sweep operation along route 14 five kilometers south of DAU TIENG (XT515421).

At 1402 neurs Company D came under enemy fire as it searched an area six kilometers south DAU TIENG. One member of the company was wounded by the fire which broks off quickly.

A long range reconnaissance patrol from F Company. 50th Infantry ambushed an enemy column at 2130 hours at a position one kilometer west of the MUSEROOM in the SAIGON River. (X7561336). A heavy fire fight developed, and the "Lerp" called in helicopter gunships to assist. After the firing ceased, the team swept the contact site and located seven enemy bodies, two AK-47 and one wallet. Four patrol members were wounded in the fight.

Helicopter gunships from C Troop, 3rd Squadron, 17th Air Cavalry flying armed aerial reconnaissance in Mar Zone "C" 2.3 kilometers south of the Cambodian border (XT555887) observed and engaged an enemy force accounting for six energy dead. At 1440 hours the Aerorifle Platoon of B Treep of the Squadres touched down in a location eight kilometers west of

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DAU TIENG (XT405406) where they came under fire from an unknown size enemy force. Returning the enemy fire, the plateen assaulted into the enemy position to locate three bodies and 100 pounds of rice. One cavalryman from the troop was killed in the skirmish.

26 November

Action continued light in the 1st Brigade area of operations with only two actions being reported. At 1200 hours the Combined Reconnaissance and Intelligence Platoon, bth Battalion (Mechanized), 23rd Infantry apprehended a total of 22 detainees, for questioning as it conducted a search operation three kilometers southeast of TAY NINH (XT280430). At 1945 hours B Company of the mechanized battalion engaged an estimated enemy company in War Zone "C" 2.5 kilometers south of the Cambodian border (XT298537). A check of the contact area after the enemy withdrew revealed one enemy dead and one M-2 carbine.

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Within the 2nd Brigade area of operations, the Reconnaissance Platoon, 2nd Battalion, 14th Infantry captured one prisoner and apprehended two suspects for questioning at 0725 hours as it swept through an area 6.5 kilometers north of the city (XT575035). A bulldozer of the 65th Engineer Battalion supporting the battalion in the same general area detonated an anti-tank mine at 1215 hours resulting in the wounding of one man and serious damage to the bulldozer.

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A major contact broke out at 0500 hours when the hight location of A Company, 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry located at a point one kilometer east of the ORIENTAL River (XT321150) was attacked by an estimated company size enemy force. Fighting from its dug in positions and calling in supporting artillery and helicopter gunships, the company turned back the enemy attack. A sweep of the area surrounding the night position following the withdrawal of the enemy revealed 12 enemy dead. One enemy was taken prisoner, and the infantrymen captured one machinegun, four AK-47 rifles, one RPG-2 rocket launcher and two pounds of documents. Company losses in the battle were two men killed and II wounded.

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Six members of A Company, 2nd Battalion, 14th Infantry, which operated during the day under the operational control of the 2nd Battalion, 12th Infantry, were wounded in two separate incidents involving booby trapped hand grenades. Both incidents occurred a short distance from the early morning contact site as the company joined in operations around the area.

In the 3rd Brigade area, D Company, 4th Battalion, 9th Infantry captured 550 pounds of salt at 0910 hours as the company conducted a sweep operation through an area two kilometers southeast of DAU TIE.G (XT503445).

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As armored personnel carrier from B Company, 2nd Battalion (Mechanized), $\beta - 2^{-2^{2}}$ 22nd Infantry detonated an anti-tank mine at 0902 hours as it moved down

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