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HEADQUARTERS
503D REGIMENTAL COMBAT TEAM
Office of the S-3

FROM: 061500 May 15.
TO : 071500 May 15.

S-3 PERIODIC REPORT

No. 28

MAP: MEXLITOS PHOTO: 1/25,000.

1. LOCATION OF Troops: See overlay for changes.
2. WEATHER AND VISIBILITY: Cloudy, intermittent heavy rain.
3. OUR OPERATIONS:

a. Infantry:

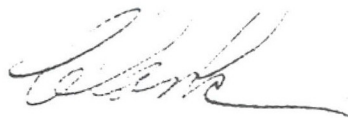
1st Bn: Nil activity night 06-07. "A" Co patrols (see overlay) all reported nil contact or evidence of enemy activity. A "B" Co contact to "A" Co reported nil evidence of enemy activity (see overlay). "C" Co moved into the TAYAP area to investigate a suspected enemy concentration vicinity (41.7-99.0). An artillery and mortar barrage was placed on the area and patrols sent to recon. the area. Two enemy were seen 500 yds away on ridge (41.6-99.2). At the close of the period combat patrols were working their way into the area through heavy undergrowth to investigate further.

2d Bn: A "D" Co patrol out of communication with Bn at end of 06 period reported contacting an enemy group (41.6-96.4). Six enemy were seen and an estimated 6 or 7 others were in the group, judging from the overheard voices. Three enemy were known to have been killed in the ensuing fire fight before the enemy withdrew. Our patrol did not pursue. One of the dead enemy had a surrender leaflet. Nil activity throughout Bn night 06-07. An "F" Co patrol destroyed 3000 rds of enemy .50 cal MG ammunition vicinity (39.9-96.1). The patrol continued to vicinity (39.4-96.2) with nil signs of enemy activity. An "F" Co patrol NE to MALAGO RIVER (41.3-98.7) and upriver last reported as being vicinity (41.5-96.5) with nil enemy activity.

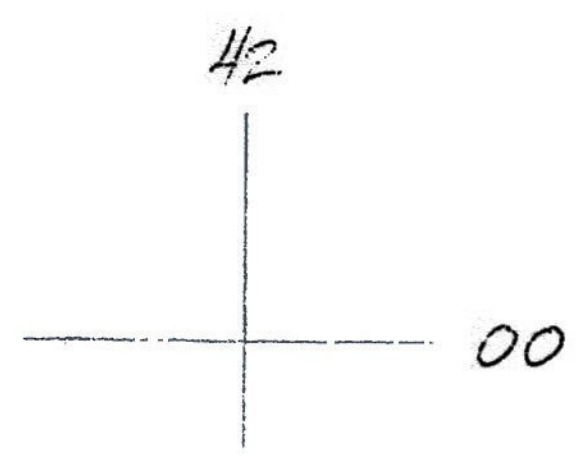
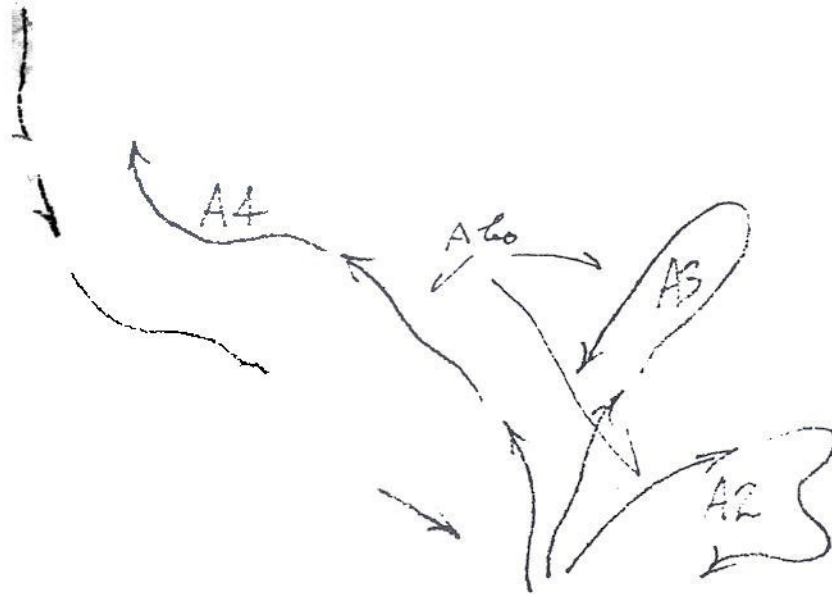
- (3) 3d Bn: Nil activity throughout Bn area night of 06-07. "H" Co with the mission of contacting 185th Infantry in PATOG HILL area made physical contact (40.2-94.8). A large abandoned bivouac area was located vicinity (41.5-94.9). Approximately 75 huts and large ovens were within the area. Four destroyed 20mm anti-aircraft MG's were located vicinity (40.7-95.1). The Co returned to 06 position. A "G" Co patrol to the S met and killed two enemy vicinity (41.3-94.7). Nil other contact by "G" Co. "I" Co patrolled laterally 300 yds E and W with nil contact.

- b. Artillery: One mission and harassing fire night 06-07 by Artillery.
- c. Engineers: Maintenance and further construction of supply route.
- d. Air: Nil air activity in MCT sector.

- e. Misc.: ROT CP displaced forward to (11.05-96.1) reopening at 071330Z.
Mine caves were sealed by demolitions during the period.
4. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS: Further exploitation of the areas to the S and W (PATOG area) continues to confirm the belief the enemy has withdrawn all his forces into the mountains. A few stragglers have been found but no organization for delaying action has been met. There are indications the enemy may have a few troops E of the TAYAP area.
5. CASUALTIES:
- a. Our Casualties:
- (1) For the period: None
 - (2) To date: 101 KIA, 285 MIA.
- b. Enemy Known Casualties:
- (1) For the period: 5 KIA.
 - (2) To date: 432 KIA, 3 POW.

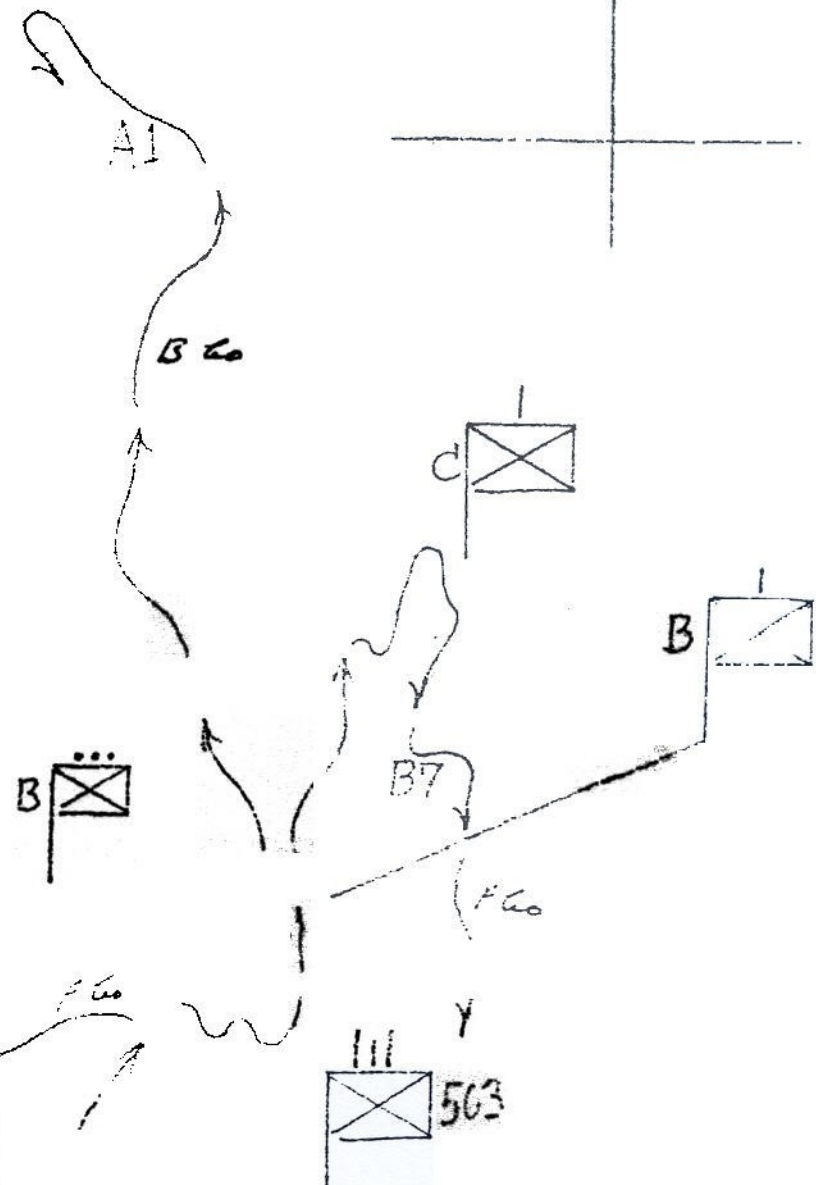


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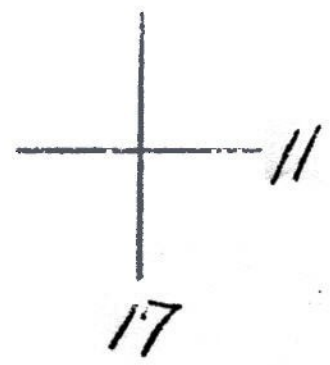
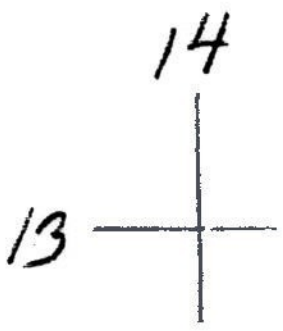


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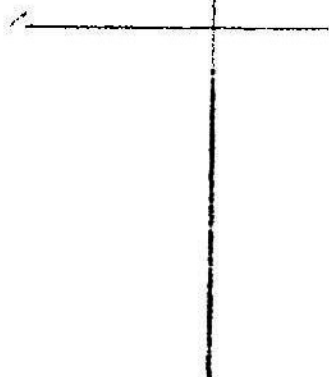


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