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Headquarters, 7th Squadron, 17th Air Cavalry
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14 May 1968

SUBJECT: Operational Report for Quarterly Period 30 April 1968 RCS CSFOR-65 (U)

TO: See Distribution

Section I (C) Operations:

A. (C) Significant Activities

(1) During the period of 1 - 7 Feb the Squadron worked in AO's vicinity Kontum, Dak To and Northwest of Pleiku City. Delta Troop was on the ground West of Kontum City in support of the 1/22 Infantry and fought throughout the battle for the city. The Air Cav Troops conducted aerial reconnaissance missions in zones throughout the AO's. During this period the Squadron killed 24 NVA/VC.

(2) During the period 8 - 14 Feb the Squadron supported Operation MacArthur by working in AO SPAATZ near Kontum City and Northwest of Pleiku City. The Squadron continued to support the 1/22 Infantry operation near Kontum City by conducting aerial reconnaissance missions in zones. Delta Troop was employed to secure the Airfield at Kontum City. In AO SPAATZ, in support of the 1st Bde, 4th Inf Div, the Squadron conducted recon in zone picking up small enemy elements throughout the area. While in direct support of the 2nd Bde, 4th Inf Division Northwest of Pleiku City the Squadron found numerous trail systems and bunker complexes indicating enemy movement from West to East in the vicinity of Plei Mrong. The Squadron accounted for 14 NVA/VC KIA during this week of operation.

(3) 15 - 21 Feb 68 - Squadron supported Operation MacArthur by conducting aerial reconnaissance in AO SPAATZ vicinity of Dak To, and Kontum City in support of TF 1/22 and West and Northwest of Pleiku City in support of the 2nd Bde, 4th Inf Division. The majority of the effort was spent near Pleiku City where the Squadron continued to find evidence of enemy infiltration from West to East. The Squadron accounted for 5 NVA/VC KIA and captured 2 small arms.

(4) 22 - 29 Feb 68 - Squadron supported Opn MacArthur by providing aerial reconnaissance in AO's in the vicinity of Plei Mrong and Kontum City in support of TF 1/22, 173rd Airborne and the 2nd Bde, 4th Inf Div. During this period the Squadron detected part of the enemy elements infiltrating in the Plei Mrong area. This action triggered the movement of the 173rd Abn Bde to the Kontum area. During this period the Squadron accounted for 32

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NVA/VC KIA and 7 POW's. It also captured 4,250 rounds of small arms ammo, 215 rounds of crew served ammo, 5 individual weapons and 6 crew served weapons. In addition the unit captured 41 packs, some containing valuable documents and over 100 lbs of medical supplies.

(5) 1 - 7 March 68 - The Squadron supported Operation MacArthur by providing aerial reconnaissance in AO's of the 2nd Bde, 4th Inf Div, 173rd Abn Bde and TF 1/12 near Ban Me Thuot. The Squadron was credited with 9 NVA KIA and captured 1 POW.

(6) 8 - 15 March 68 - The Squadron supported Operation MacArthur by providing aerial reconnaissance in the AO's of the 173rd Abn and the 2nd Bde, 4th Inf Div. During this week the Squadron was credited with 40 NVA KIA, capturing 4000 rounds of small arms ammo, 46 rounds of crew served ammo, 12 individual weapons, 1 crew served weapon, 4000 pounds of rice and 15 individual packs.

(7) 16 - 22 March 68 - The Squadron performed reconnaissance missions in support of the 1st Bde and the 2nd Bde of the 4th Inf Division and the 173rd Abn Bde. Totals credited to the Squadron for this period include 14 NVA KIA, 5 individual weapons captured and 10 individual packs captured.

(8) 23 - 31 March 68 - The Squadron performed reconnaissance missions in support of the 1st and 2nd Bde of the 4th Inf Division, the 173rd Abn Bde and TF 1/12. This was one of the slowest periods encountered by the Squadron. Totals for this period were 8 NVA KIA.

(9) 1 - 7 Apr 68 - The first week of April the Squadron supported the 1st and 3rd Bde's in an area from Dak To South to Poley Kleng, concentrating on the area West and Southwest of Poley Kleng. The Squadron also supported TF 1/12 North of Ban Me Thuot. Totals for the week were 8 NVA KIA.

(10) 8 - 14 Apr 68 - During this week the Squadron concentrated in the area North of Ban Me Thuot in support of TF 1/12. Two days support was devoted to the 3rd Bde West of Poley Kleng. Totals of the week were 3 NVA KIA.

(11) 15 - 21 Apr 68 - Efforts during this week were again concentrated in the Plei Trap area West of Poley Kleng in support of the 3rd Bde, 4th Inf Div. Totals for this period were 11 NVA KIA.

(12) 22 - 30 Apr 68 - The Squadron continued its reconnaissance mission in the area West of Poley Kleng in support of the 3rd Bde. One day's effort was directed to the area of a suspected enemy buildup in the Dak Pek area North of Dak To. Squadron totals for the week included 2 NVA KIA.

(13) During the reporting period elements of this Squadron conducted 17 days of training and conducted operational missions for 89 days.

(14) PIO Activities during the period 1 Feb - 30 Apr 68.

a. Feature stories submitted 50.

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b. Hometown news releases submitted 150.

c. Television feature stories 4.

d. During the period covered by this report the PIO operations have improved considerably. The Squadron now has a photographer and PIO clerk. The only shortcomings in the PIO program is the lack of facilities and equipment, however, support is being obtained on a limited basis from 17th Combat Aviation Group Headquarters and 4th Division Signal Battalion.

(15) Special Services activities for the period 1 Feb - 30 Apr
68.

a. During the reporting period a total of 237 out of country R and R quotas were received, of these 235 quotas were filled. A total of 10 in-country R and R quotas for enlisted personnel were received and 10 were filled. Five quotas were received for officer personnel and 5 were utilized.

b. Recreational facilities within the Squadron have improved during the reporting period. Approval for erection of Officers, NCO, and EM clubs has been obtained. A mobile FX Van is now located in the Squadron area. Personnel of this unit are still authorized to use all facilities provided by the 4th Division Special Services Office.

(16) Awards and Decorations.

a. Total number of awards and decorations submitted during this reporting period:

Silver Star - 23
Legion of Merit - 6
Distinguish Flying Cross - 34
Soldier's Medal - 8
Bronze Star w/V device - 22
Air Medal w/V device - 32
Army Commendation Medal w/V device - 6
Bronze Star for Service - 15
Air Medal - 57
Army Commendation Medal - 2
Purple Heart - 42

Total number of awards and decorations approved and returned during this period - 279.

B.(c) There have been no significant changes or additions to the Squadron mission, however, it is recommended that the air cavalry Squadron be employed as an entity with all organic elements under Squadron control. This action will generate maximum combat reconnaissance under the control of the Squadron Commander. The air cavalry squadron is best employed in support of a larger unit, i.e. US Division rather than having the subordinate

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units removed from Squadron control and placed in direct support or attached to battalion sized units. Under rare or unusual combat situations it may be necessary to violate this recommendation; but employment of Squadron assets on a piece meal basis should never be considered normal or standard.

C.(c)C Troop, 7/17th Air Cav re-designated F Troop, 8th Cav and assigned to the Americal Division. C Troop, 7/17th Cav assigned to Ft. Knox, Kentucky less personnel and equipment. (Incl 1)

D.(c)Significant Personnel Changes.

- (1) Squadron Commander - 31 March 1968
LTC Stephen F. Cameron 062328
vice
LTC Lawrence H. Johnson Jr. 069702
- (2) Squadron S-1 - March 1968
CPT Lawrence R. Kenyon 05312030
vice
MAJ Ray J. Hill 01940085
- (3) Squadron S-2 - March 1968
MAJ Charles L. Brown Jr. 082446
vice
MAJ Robert O. Cook 084144
- (4) Squadron S-2 - April 1968
No Assignment
vice
MAJ Charles L. Brown Jr. 082446
- (5) A Troop Commander - May 1968
MAJ Richard V. Doty OF110656
vice
MAJ Robert A. Inglett 086301
- (6) Aviation Safety Officer - May 1968
MAJ Robert A. Inglett 086301
vice
CPT Lawrence R. Kenyon 05312030
- (7) Deputy Squadron Commander - April 1968
MAJ James D. Marett 04023646

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Section I

(1) Military

| Subordinate Unit | Officer | | WO | | EM | | Total | |
|------------------|---------|-----|------|-----|------|-----|-------|-----|
| | Auth | O/H | Auth | O/H | Auth | O/H | Auth | O/H |
| HHT | 24 | 30 | 7 | 7 | 162 | 193 | 213 | 220 |
| A Trp | 18 | 16 | 30 | 31 | 121 | 120 | 169 | 167 |
| B Trp | 18 | 16 | 30 | 27 | 121 | 127 | 169 | 170 |
| D Trp | 5 | 5 | -- | -- | 127 | 125 | 132 | 130 |
| 40th TC | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 152 | 106 | 156 | 107 |

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(2) Civilian

| Subordinate Unit | DAC | | VN | | 3d NARL | | Contract | |
|------------------|------|-----|------|-----|---------|-----|----------|-----|
| | Auth | O/H | Auth | O/H | Auth | O/H | Auth | O/H |
| HHT | 0 | 0 | 8 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| A Trp | 0 | 0 | 8 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| B Trp | 0 | 0 | 8 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| D Trp | 0 | 0 | 7 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 40th TC | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 8 |

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Section I

t. Aircraft Status a/o 30 April 1968 (Incl 2)

g. Operational Results a/o 30 April 1968 (Incl 3)

Section II. (C) Lessons Learned: Commanders Observation, Evaluation, and Recommendation.

A. (C) Personnel.

(1) DEROS Humo - The Squadron has continued to infuse both officer and enlisted personnel to decrease the squadron rotational hump in September and October. Due to the Squadron being the only unit of its kind in the 17th Group, certain MOS's are difficult to infuse. The Squadron has effected minimal infusion of these MOS's with the 4th Infantry Division. However, due to the large quantity of people that the 4th Division also has rotating in September and October, personnel that can be infused with the Division is also limited. The lack of available infusion resources will necessitate the overlapping of personnel gains and losses in August, September, and October in order to negate the loss of critical personnel in September and October.

(2) Operation of Squadron S-1 and Personnel Section.

a. Lack of adequate equipment: The Squadron TOE does not include a personnel section. The augmentation to the Squadron of a personnel section authorized nine typewriters. The personnel section has been in operation since October, yet requisitions have been filled for only three typewriters. The lack of adequate equipment seriously hampers the effective operation of this section.

b. Shortage of qualified personnel. The personnel section is presently short a personnel officer, personnel sergeant, and two clerks. During May the section will lose the asst personnel sergeant and a clerk. Presently there are no inbound replacements.

(3) Recreation and Religious Facilities.

a. The Squadron has an established 16mm movie account. A projector was issued but became inoperable after several weeks. The projector was turned in for repair but has been returned to the Squadron as unrepairable. Due to a shortage of projectors the Squadron has been unable to obtain a replacement.

b. Religious Facilities. Prior to 23 Feb 1968 the Squadron was without a Chaplain and had to rely on the 4th Infantry Division for Chaplain coverage; but on that date a Chaplain was assigned to the Squadron to provide a broader and more continuous religious program. Shortly after his arrival a temporary chapel was constructed in the Squadron area and the first worship service was held there on 17 March 1968. The religious program of the chapel now includes a Catholic and two Protestant worship services each Sunday as well as Protestant and Catholic midweek services.

B. (C) Operations.

(1) Observation - Personnel Evacuation Hoists

Evaluation: On approximately ten (10) separate occasions the Squadron has had a requirement to insert assistance teams thru jungle

canopy to assist in the rescue of downed crewmen and the evacuation of critical equipment. To do this it has been necessary to rappel personnel into the jungle knowing full well we had no capability of extracting them with organic equipment. It has been necessary to call Dust Off to evacuate personnel and equipment using their hoist capability. On many occasions Dust Off was not readily available, leaving personnel on the ground for a prolonged period. If the Squadron had organic hoist capability more expeditions and rapid extractions could be accomplished. This Squadron has had six (6) hoists and related equipment on requisition since December 1967.

Recommendation: That each air cavalry troop be issued two (2) personnel hoists with related equipment on activation.

(2) Observation: Destruction of Structures:

Evaluation: The Squadron has had the responsibility of destroying temporary NVA/VC structures utilizing a ground force. The general procedure used is a complete search of each structure by the lead squad, for the purpose of capturing weapons, ammunition, documents and medical food supplies. The acquisition of these items not only denies the enemy the use of the equipment, but also technical intelligence is gathered. After the search procedure is completed, the last squad has the responsibility to destroy the structures. By having the lead squad destroy the structures the following problems are created:

a. Smoke from the burning structures marks the position of the friendly unit.

b. Smoke provides a screen for the enemy forces to withdraw or advance on the friendly elements.

c. Booby traps and other explosives are detonated by the heat created there-by endangering the troops.

d. The smoke and heat produced hinders the search of the entire complex.

Recommendation: That the last squad or platoon thru the structure complex be assigned the responsibility of destroying the structures after the rest of the unit has completed the search. This affords the lead element to set up defensive positions on the outskirts of the complex and only a minimum of personnel are endangered by the burning structures.

C. (C) Training.

(1) Observation: Rappelling

Evaluation: The problem of inserting ground elements into a jungle crew without benefit of a landing zone became quite evident.

upon our early arrival into RVN. The idea of rappelling became quite evident. Thru the coordinated effort of E Co, 20th Infantry (LRRP), one aero-rifle platoon was trained in the technique of rappelling into a jungled area. Additionally one platoon of engineers received similar training with the idea of inserting a small protective force (aero rifle platoon) and then inserting an engineer platoon trained for the purpose of building one or two ship landing zones in an area otherwise inaccessible. This training has been very successful not only for insertion with the engineer-force, but also to insert a protective force in support of crashed aircraft and the rescue of other downed aircraft crews.

Recommendation: That each aero rifle platoon in the air cavalry troop be trained in the technique of rappelling.

D.(U) Intelligence: None

E.(U) Logistics: None

F.(U) Organization: None

G.(C) Maintenance:

(1) Observation: Aircraft Maintenance Facilities.

Evaluation: Aircraft maintenance facilities continues to be a major problem. The area has been and continues to be extremely dusty making it almost impossible to insure complete cleanliness during tear down and build up of components to include removal and installation of items. No hangar or hangar sheds have been constructed to date. Lack of these facilities will further hamper the maintenance mission of this unit during the monsoon season.

Recommendations: Construction priorities be reviewed to determine the possibility of upgrading the priority for construction of aviation maintenance facilities and dust free parking areas.

(2) Observation: Repair Parts (Aircraft)

Evaluation: It continues to be difficult to receive repair parts on a timely basis in the Dragon Mountain area. Some relief was obtained when the Northern depot at Qui Nhon was opened in February, 1968, however within the last few days of this quarter the restriction on issue of parts until the requisition has cleared the Saigon Depot (AMMC of the 34th Gen Sup Gp) adds a considerable time delay for receipt of parts. This forces the units into a cannibalization program and, in turn, increases the maintenance man-hours required to maintain aircraft.

Recommendation: The 34th Gen Sup Gp (AMCS) evaluate the procedures for the requisitioning of repair parts in RVN to increase the efficiency of the supply system.

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(3) Observation: Quill Assembly, FSN 1615-83;-0303

Evaluation: This unit has experienced considerable down time on UH-1 type aircraft due to this component leaking transmission oil and non availability of replacements. During this report period forty (40) assemblies had to be replaced.

Recommendation: Higher Headquarters review actual verses programmed replacements of this component to determine if a product improvement might be warranted.

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SUBJECT: Operational Report for Quarterly Period 30 April 1968
RCS CSTOR-65 (U)

Headquarters, 17th Combat Aviation Group, APO 96240 24 May 1968

TO: Commanding General, I Field Forces Vietnam, APO 96350

1. (U) This headquarters has reviewed the Operational Report-Lessons Learned for the quarterly period ending 30 April 1968 from Headquarters, 7th Armored Squadron, 17th Air Cavalry.

2. (C) The following comments and recommendations on Section 2 are submitted for review and approval.

a. Reference item concerning Personnel, Section II, A, (1): The DEROS Hump within the squadron is a definite problem. Infusion is being accomplished by the 17th Combat Aviation Group to overcome the severity of the situation.

b. Reference item concerning Personnel, Section II, A, (2), a: Concur. The critical shortage of typewriters of all types is recognized throughout the command. The unit's only recourse is to requisition the typewriters in accordance with the procedures established for requisitioning Command Controlled Items.

c. Reference item concerning Personnel, Section II, A, (2), b: The personnel section of the squadron has been assigned a personnel officer and four (4) personnel clerks within the past 30 days. This will help solve the shortage of qualified personnel.

d. Reference item concerning Personnel Evacuation Hoists, Section II, Part B, para (1): Concur. The hoists were requisitioned by the unit on 7350. Follow-up action was initiated by this headquarters on 7 May 68 and 19 May 68. 1st Aviation Brigade has not been able to determine status.

e. Reference item concerning Destruction of Structures, Section II, B, (2): The recommended procedure has merit. Recommend that the squadron conduct a number of destruction-of-structures missions utilizing varying methods. From the degree of success obtained they should be able to provide some valid data concerning which is the best method to conduct such operations.

f. Reference item concerning Rappelling, Section II, C, (1): Concur. Rappelling has proved to be a successful means of inserting troops into inaccessible areas.

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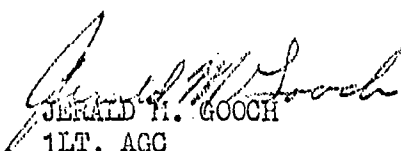
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g. Reference item concerning Aircraft Maintenance Facilities, Section II, Part G, para (1): Concur. Dust suppression and the lack of adequate maintenance facilities at Camp Enari have been the subjects of numerous correspondence to the 4th Infantry Division and 1st Aviation Brigade. At present the only solution offered by USARV to the dust problem is the application of penepime. Penepime is at best a costly and temporary solution. A maintenance hanger is urgently needed, however, nothing is programmed for installation. By agreement with all parties concerned, base development and improvement projects are to be submitted for approval through the 4th Infantry Division.

h. Reference item concerning Repair Parts (Aircraft), Section II, para G, (2): Non-concur at this time. The restriction on the issue of parts from 241st Depot at Qui Nhon has affected the time required for receipt of parts by some units in the 17th Combat Aviation Group. This restriction, however, has only recently been enforced. At this point it appears that some units within 17th Combat Aviation Group may benefit from this change while others may not. Therefore it appears to be too early to make a determination at this time. Recommend a reevaluation be made at the end of thirty days.

i. Reference item concerning Quill Assembly, Section II, para G, (3): Concur. Leading transmission input quill seals have been a serious problem within 17th Combat Aviation Group; particularly for units in the Central Highlands. This situation is considered to be a serious problem at the 34th GSC and at higher echelons, because of the large number of Equipment Improvement Recommendations which have been submitted. Units within 17th Combat Aviation Group are continuing to submit Equipment Improvement Recommendations on this item. There has been no apparent improvement in the reliability of subject quill seal. Strongly recommend improvement of this component.

FOR THE COMMANDER:


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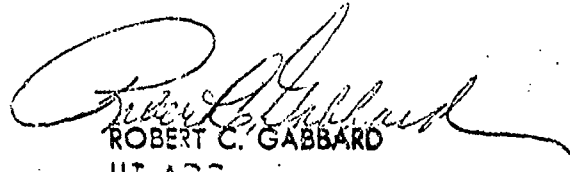
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SUBJECT: Operational Report of 7th Squadron, 17th Air Cavalry for
Period Ending 30 April 1968, RCS CSFOR-65 (R1)

DA, Headquarters, I Field Force Vietnam, APO 96350 8 JUN 1968

TO: Commanding General, 1st Aviation Brigade, APO 96307

This headquarters has evaluated subject report and indorsement and
concurs in the report.

FOR THE COMMANDER:


ROBERT C. GABBARD
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SUBJECT: Operational Report of 7th Squadron, 17th Air Cavalry for Period
Ending 30 April 1966, RCS CSTOR-65 (RL) (U)

Headquarters, 1st Aviation Brigade, APO 96384 JUN 25 1968

THRU: Commanding General, United States Army Vietnam, ATTN: AVIGC-DST,
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Commander in Chief, United States Army Pacific, ATTN: GPOP-CT,
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TO: Assistant Chief of Staff for Force Development, Department of the Army,
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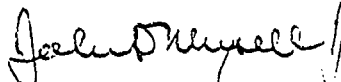
1. (U) This headquarters has reviewed this report, considers it to be adequate,
and concurs with the contents as indorsed.

2. (C) The following additional comment is considered pertinent:

a. Paragraph IIg (1), page 8. Maintenance facilities have second priority
for construction. The only higher priority is tactical requirements for base
security. This headquarters recommends that USAFCAV monitor the penoprine and
asphalt program closely to insure that this material is used for airfields and
maintenance areas.

b. Paragraph 2d, 1st Indorsement. 1st Aviation Brigade Supply Officer was
unable to locate a valid requisition for the hoist at ICC. Unit was notified
to re-requisition through 34th General Support Group, but advised that first
priority for the hoist is the Medical units and that the hoists are in short
supply.

FOR THE COMMANDER:



JOHN D. MIXSELL, JR.
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AVHGC-DST (14 May 68) 4th Ind (C) CPT Arnold/dls/LBN 4485
SUBJECT: Operational Report for Quarterly Period 30 April 1968 RCS CSFOR-65

HEADQUARTERS, US ARMY VIETNAM, APO San Francisco 96375 15 JUL 1968

TO: Commander in Chief, United States Army, Pacific, ATTN: GPOP-DT,
APO 96558

1. (U) This headquarters has reviewed the Operational Report-Lessons Learned for the quarterly period ending 30 April 1968 from Headquarters, 7th Squadron, 17th Air Cavalry.

2. (C) Comments follow:

a. Reference item concerning aircraft maintenance facilities, page 6, paragraph g(1); and 3d Indorsement, paragraph 2a:

(1) Nonconcur with recommendation. As of this date, there are no pre-engineered metal hangars available in-country. The following action has been taken to rectify the situation.

(a) Requisitions have been sent back to CONUS for 23 (75' x 202') hangars and 3 (175' x 190') hangars.

(b) In lieu of these metal hangars, wooden hangars have been constructed as a maintenance facility for UH-1A and related aircraft. The 7/17th Cav has two wooden modular hangars allocated and this headquarters is awaiting a 1391 to process an additional hangar. These hangars will provide this unit with covered maintenance capability.

(c) Dust palliatives, such as penepime, should be applied to surrounding area to reduce dirt and dust conditions which hamper effective maintenance operations.

(2) Nonconcur with recommendation contained in 3d Indorsement, paragraph 2a. The following action is recommended:

(a) Since penepime is considered a seasonal item, requisitions should be submitted through the rainy season so as to acquire amount needed for future requirements. This will enable depots to replenish their stocks and maintain a balance on the item. If USAECAV monitored penepime, a problem would arise with regard to divisional units drawing this item. For this reason, present policy concerning penepime should be maintained.

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(b) Asphalt has top priority with regard to LOC construction. Present policy concerning asphalt should be maintained.

b. Reference item concerning repair parts, page 8, paragraph g(2); and 1st Indorsement, paragraph 2h: Nonconcur. The Qui Nhon Aviation Depot is not staffed nor equipped to act as a DSU. It does not have a stock control capability to accept and process requisitions. All requisitions must be initially processed at USAMMC which maintains the centralized computer balance file on the USARV aircraft repair parts assets. The recently installed AUTODIN system will speed-up the transceiver time between USAMMC and the Qui Nhon Aviation Depot which will result in faster service to the customer.

c. Reference item concerning quill assembly, FSN 1615-83-0303, page 9; and 1st Indorsement, paragraph 2i: Concur. Bell Helicopter Company and USAAVCOM are currently working on this problem area. Units should continue to submit an EIR when the problem is encountered.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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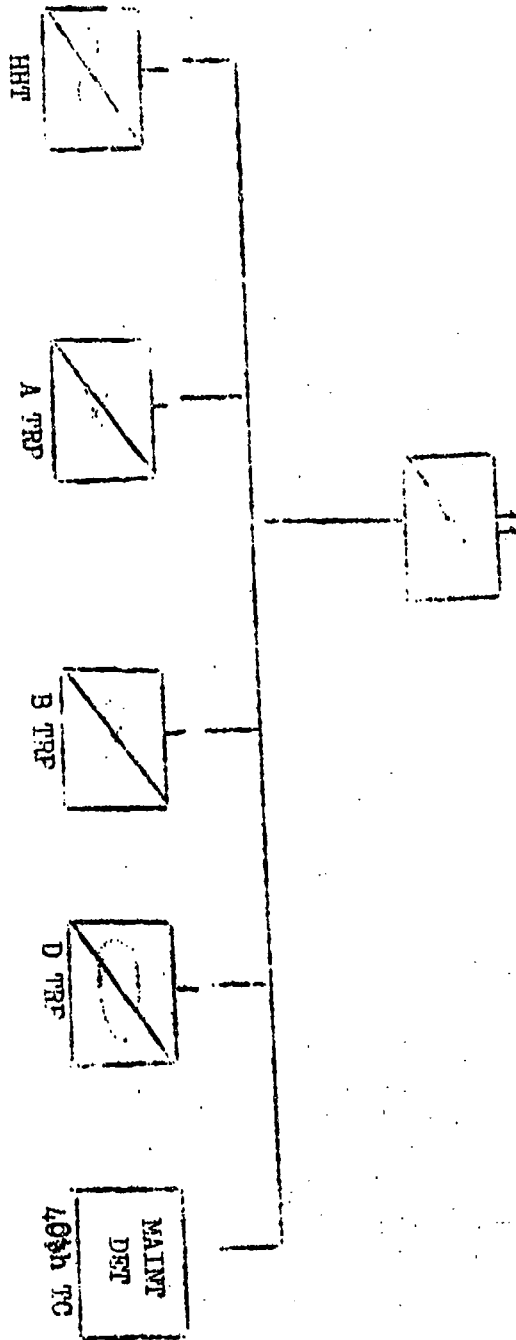
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7th Sodr, 17th Air Cav Aircraft Status
30 April 1968

| Subordinate Unit | OH-1A | | UH-1C | | UH-1H | | U-6A | |
|---------------------|-------|----|-------|----|-------|----|------|----|
| | Auth | OH | Auth | OH | Auth | OH | Auth | OH |
| HHT | 0 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 1 |
| A Trp | 10 | 8 | 11 | 8 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| B Trp | 10 | 9 | 11 | 9 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| LO TC | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 7/17 Air Cav | 20 | 17 | 27 | 18 | 14 | 17 | 0 | 1 |

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Operational Results

| | Feb | Mar | Apr | Remarks |
|-------------------|-------|--------|-------|------------------------|
| Sorties Flown | 8,433 | 10,122 | 6,658 | |
| Troops Lifted | 3,813 | 3,231 | 3,234 | |
| Enemy FIA | 76 | 71 | 24 | |
| POW | 7 | 1 | 0 | |
| Structures/Dest | 42 | 27 | 22 | |
| Wpns Cpt/Dest | 600/0 | 4000/0 | 0/0 | |
| SA Ammo Cpt | 4250 | 4000 | 0 | |
| CS Ammo Cpt | 217 | 47 | 0 | |
| SA Wpns Cpt | 7 | 15 | 0 | |
| CS Wpns Cpt | 0 | 1 | 0 | |
| *Aircraft Lost | 5 | 6 | 5 | |
| *Aircraft Damaged | 1 | 0 | 1 | |
| Packs Cpt | 48 | 27 | 0 | Includes 100 documents |

*Aircraft Loss

HHT - 1 UH-1C
 A Trp - 8 OH6A; 3 UH-1C
 B Trp - 2 OH6A; 2 UH-1C

Aircraft Damaged

0
 0
 1 UH-1H, 1 OH6A

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