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 ISSUES AIR ACTIVITY AND SITUATION REPORT
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FM, 16H ((AAA)) BATTALION, TRAC ((1)) ((TRACS)) TO, ((BINH TRAM 32)) ((2))
 PREC, --- NR, ((M)) REPORTING FOR 22 MARCH. UENEMY ((ACTIVITY)), FROM 0500G TO
 0900G, THERE WERE SIX FLIGHTS OF F-4'S, ONE FLIGHT OF F-101'S, ONE FLIGHT OF
 F-8'S, AND TWO FLIGHTS OF OV-10'S; FROM 0900G TO 1200G, THERE WERE FIVE FLIGHTS
 OF F-4'S, ONE FLIGHT OF F-101'S, AND ONE FLIGHT OF F-8'S; FROM 1200G TO 1500G,
 THERE ARE TWO FLIGHTS OF F-4'S AND TWO FLIGHTS OF OV-10'S. BOMBING, AT 0715G,
 TWO F-4'S AND TWO A-4'S STRUCK KM (C-VAC, 113) ((3)) WITH TWO STICKS OF HIGH
 EXPLOSIVE BOMBS AND DROPPED ONE SMOKE MARKER. AT 0955G, ONE F-4 STRUCK KM 106
 ((4)) WITH ONE BURST OF 20 MM CANNON FIRE AND DROPPED ONE SMOKE MARKER. OUR
 ((RETALIATION)), AT 0650G, WE STRUCK AT A LOW FLYING F-4. COMPANY 3 WITH TWO
 12.7MM WEAPONS AT KM 111 ((5)) EXPENDED 203 ROUNDS. AT 0715G, WE FIRED AT A
 DIVING F-4 AND A DIVING A-4. COMPANY 5 WITH TWO 23 MM WEAPONS AT KM 114 ((6))
 EXPENDED 63 ROUNDS. ((3GRM)) 57 MM WEAPONS EXPENDED ((1GRG)). COMPANY 2 WITH
 TWO 37 MM WEAPONS AT KM 13 ((7)) EXPENDED 12 ROUNDS. COMPANY 4 WITH TWO 37 MM
 WEAPONS AT KM 109 EXPENDED ((24+)). UAT ((1GRG)) WE FIRED AT A DIVING F-4.
 COMPANY 2 WITH TWO 37 MM WEAPONS AT KM 13 EXPENDED EIGHT ROUNDS. AT ((3GRG)) A
 LOW FLYING F-8. COMPANY 5 WITH TWO 23 MM WEAPONS AT KM 114 EXPENDED 20 ROUNDS.
 AT 0815, WE FIRED AT A LOW FLYING F-4. COMPANY 1 WITH TWO 12.7MM WEAPONS AT KM
 99 ((8)) EXPENDED 34 ROUNDS. SUPPLYMENT ((3GRG)) FIRED AT A RECONNOITERING
 B26K. COMPANY 2 AT KM 1 ((9)) ON ((ROUTE)) QA4D FIRED TWO 37 MM WEAPONS
 EXPENDING 28 ROUNDS TRAINING. COMPANY 1; ONE PLATOON WORKED ON THE REAR AREA,
 AND ONE PLATOON CONSISTING OF 14 COMRADES SPENT TWO HOURS PARTICIPATING AS
 SQUADS AND PLATOONS. COMPANY 2, ONE PLATOON CONSISTING OF 11 COMRADES WORKED ON
 THE POSITION, AND ONE PLATOON CONSISTING OF 13 COMRADES SPENT TWO HOURS
 PARTICIPATING AS SQUADS AND PLATOONS REVIEWING THE MACHINE GUN ((6GRG)) COMPANY
 3, ONE PLATOON SOLIDIFYING POSITIONS AT NQ BA ((1)) AND ONE SQUAD OF 12
 COMRADES TRAINED AS ARTILLERYMEN FOR TWO HOURS AND REVIEWING THE INSPECTION
 QUESTIONS. COMPANY 4, 25 COMRADES ((2GRG)) TRAINED AS ARTILLERYMEN,
 PARTICIPATING AS SQUADS AND PLATOONS REVIEWING THE LESSONS AND A SUMMARY ON 37
 MM WEAPONS. ONE WEAPON CONTINUED TO TOONGR LAU ((11)). COMPANY 5, SEVEN
 COMRADES REPAIRED POSITIONS AND 47 COMRADES REVIEWED THE LESSON ON LIEN DOONGJ
 ((1)) THE INTERLOCKING ARM AND ALL OF THE FIRING LESSONS. ((THE BATTALION HAS
)) 11 GAZ VEHICLES, THREE IN GOOD CONDITION AND EIGHT IN BAD CONDITION OF WHICH
 FIVE ARE GONE TO THE FACTORY AND THREE ARE BROKEN. ((THE BATTALION HAS)) THREE
 ZIL VEHICLES, ONE IN GOOD CONDITION AND TWO IN BAD CONDITION. ((ROUNDS OF))
 AMMUNITION REMAINING, 57 MM, 22409; 37 MM . 9882; 235MM, 2214; AND 12.7 MM,

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5958. THE RESULTS OF THE FIRING ON THE LOW FLYING F-4 WHICH FLEW FROM THE NORTHEAST BACK TO THE WEST AT 0825G. A 12.7 MM WEAPON COMPE 12 AT KM 99, FIRED AT AN F-4 AND HIT IT. IT BURST INTO FLAMES AND FLEW BACK TOWARDS THE WEST, LOSING ALTITUDE ((UND ME)) WATCHED IT GO DOWN A DISTANCE OF SEVEN KM FROM ROUTE QA4 (BYPASS ROUTE OFF ROUTE 911)) AND THEN BURN. THE FRIEND'S (PROBABLY REFERENCE TO PATHET LAO) UNIT AND ALL OF THE ENGINEER COMRADES WORKING ON THE ROAD AT KM 99 AND 98 ((12)) SAW ((THE PLANE GO DOWN)); THEREFORE, SUGGEST THE BINH TRAM CHECK OUT AND RECOGNIZE ((THIS SHOOTDOWN)), FIRING ELEMENTS, RANGE, 1500 ((METERS)); SPEED, 100 ((,33534?/SECOND)); ALTITUDE, 400 ((METERS)); AND P ((4)), 0. 34 ROUNDS ((WERE EXPENDED)). AT 0715G, THE ENEMY DROPPED TWO STICKS OF HIGH EXPLOSIVE BOMBS ONTO THE POSITION OF COMPANY 5 AT KM 114, ((BUT EVERYTHING)) IS SAFE. ((1)) COMMANDER ASSOCIATED WITH THE WATCH OFFICE OF THE 16TH AAA BATTALION ((2)) LOC WITHIN 1400 METERS OF 16-56N 105-47E, WD 836 746, 27 FEB ((3)) LOCATED ON ROUTE 91 AT XD 197 534 ((4)) UNLOCATED ON ROUTE 91 IN THE VICINITY OF XD 164 586 ((5)) LOCATED ON ROUTE 91 IN THE VICINITY OF XD 192 578 ((6)) LOCATED ON ROUTE 91 AT XD 205 538 ((7)) POSSIBLY LOCATED ON ROUTE QA6A AT XD 164 537D ((8)) LOCATED ON ROUTE 91 WITHIN 1000 METERS OF KM 100 (XD 121 618) ((9)) UNLOCATED ((10)) LOCATED AT XD 24 49 ((11)) AS IN TEXT, MEANING UNKNOWN ((12)) LOCATED ON ROUTE 91 WITHIN 2000 METERS OF KM 96 (XD 111 652) ((13)) UNIDENTIFIED DESIGNATOR MS, USM 638 [REDACTED] TI, 221000-1045ZMR1 (2834) [REDACTED] 221020-1045ZMR0 [REDACTED] EMR NR 1026) XXHH 875 NNNNC

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