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

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FROM: 191600 Apr 15.
TO : 201600 Apr 15.

S-3 PERIODIC REPORT

No. 12.

MAP: BATTLE MAP, MEGALIS ISLAND; 1/50,000.

1. LOCATION OF TROOPS: See Overlay.
2. WEATHER AND VISIBILITY: Warm, clear, visibility unlimited.
3. OUR OPERATIONS:

a. Infantry: During the night 19-20 the enemy subjected our forward elements to mortar fire, killing one and wounding three. An infiltration attempt cost him 3 KIA. An air strike of 200730 was relatively ineffective as five of six 1000 lb bombs failed to detonate; the sixth did fall and explode in the target area, enemy dig-in positions (10.9-97.3). In its forward effort our leading elements met with fierce machine gun, mortar and rifle fire. This resistance was continuing as the period closed. "E" Co., relieved from RCT left flank by "H" Co., in turn was replacing "D" Co. in the forward central position. A 3d Bn. OP discovered a cave in the vicinity (37.7-96.4) in front of 185th Inf. sector. 105 MM fire from M-7's were brought to bear and several direct hits were scored. This position will be kept under harassing fire during the night 20-21. "H" Co., patrolling the RCT right flank reported nil contact after having searched the NW - SE ridge in the vicinity (37.6-02.5). Other 3d Bn. patrols searching adjoining ridges to the route of advance reported nil contact. 3d Bn. 74th G-F, patrolling the NW - SE ridge (36.5-01.4) reported nil contact.

b. Artillery: The artillery continued support of Infantry attack by fire on previously reported positions. Tanks, with the forward elements, supported the attack with direct fire.

c. Engineers: Continued mine detection work and supply route maintenance.

4. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS: The known results of our operations for the period was continued heavy pressure against the strongly held and entrenched enemy M.R.

5. CASUALTIES:

a. Our Casualties:

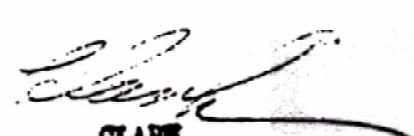
For the period: 8 KIA, 12 MIA.

Todate: 39 KIA, 105 MIA.

b. Enemy Known Casualties:

(1) For the period: 3 KIA.

Todate: 89 KIA, 0 POW.


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