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COMMENDATION - OPERATIONS 21 FEB 70

1. Lt Gen Julian J. EWELL Commanding General II Field Force Vietnam wrote to me on 22 Mar 70 as follows:

Dear Brigadier Weir,

I am enclosing a letter from Lieutenant General Do Cao Tri, Commanding General, III Corps and III CTZ, commending the 8th Battalion Group for its combat achievements on 21 February 1970 in the Minh Dam Secret Zone. It gives me great pleasure to add my commendation to that of General Tri. The dedication and true professionalism demonstrated by your forces have significantly enhanced our common efforts against a very stubborn enemy.

Only by grinding away at the enemy, capturing his supplies and denying him his sanctuaries as you are doing, will we be able to force the enemy out of Phuoc Tuy Province and eventually out of the Republic of Vietnam.

I wish you continued success in the future and request that you pass on to your soldiers our appreciation for their outstanding performance.

2. It will be seen that our continuing Combined operations in the Long Hais are significant and important.

*John Weir*  
(S.P. WEIR)  
Brig  
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