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**** According to 2/12/1967 HQ Press Release of US Military Assistance Command, there was also 2 missions on Jan 21. "At 0427 31 km NNW Dong Hoi at mouth of Song Giang River, DD Stoddard dest or dam 4 watercraft. At 1623 DD Stoddard fired on 2 waterborne craft offloading onto 7 trucks. 1 craft and 2 trucks dest, 1 truck dam and burning and secondary explosions were seen."**

MISSION FIRING DATE	1/24/1967	1/31/1967	2/4/1967	2/5/1967
MISSION START TIME	240001	310001	32105	51140
MISSION END TIME	242400	312400	41215	51150
CTZ TO WHICH FIRING WAS DIRECTED	Corps Area 1	Corps Area 1	Corps Area 1	Corps Area 1
UTM COORDINATES OF TARGET	XE539766	XE539766	WF753995	XE570760
OPERATION TYPE	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN
PERIOD OF THE DAY	Night	Night	Night	Night
TARGET TYPE CODE	WBLC OFFSHORE	WBLC OFFSHORE	WBLC OFFSHORE	WBLC OFFSHORE
DES OR DAM TO SHIP				
ORDNANCE TYPE EXPENDED	AAC	ILLUM	HE	HE
QUANTITY OF ORDNANCE EXPENDED	52	7	12	1
RANGE TO TARGET IN YARDS			12,700	13,800
ENEMY LOSS CODES	WBLC OFFSHORE	WBLC OFFSHORE	WBLC OFFSHORE	WBLC OFFSHORE
QUANTITY OF ENEMY LOSS	5	25	2	5
ENEMY DES OR DAM DESIGNATION	DAMAGED	DAMAGED	DESTROYED	DESTROYED

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First Day of Tet 1967
Stoddard had close
call with unexpeted
enemy artillery

MISSION FIRING DATE	2/5/1967	2/8/1967	3/8/1967	3/9/1967
MISSION START TIME	42315	80350 (noon meal)	81025	90121
MISSION END TIME	42325	80403	81200	90126
CTZ TO WHICH FIRING WAS DIRECTED	Corps Area 1	Corps Area 2	Corps Area 3	Corps Area 3
UTM COORDINATES OF TARGET	XE536770	XF020778	XG019343	WG850506
OPERATION TYPE	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN
PERIOD OF THE DAY	Night	Day	Day	Day
TARGET TYPE CODE	WBLC OFFSHORE	CD SITE	WBLC OFFSHORE	SUPPLY AREA
DES OR DAM TO SHIP				
ORDNANCE TYPE EXPENDED	HE	HE	AAC	WP
QUANTITY OF ORDNANCE EXPENDED	100	95	22	41
RANGE TO TARGET IN YARDS	17,700	15,300	16,100	16,400
ENEMY LOSS CODES	WBLC OFFSHORE		WBLC OFFSHORE	RADAR SITE
QUANTITY OF ENEMY LOSS	4		1	1
ENEMY DES OR DAM DESIGNATION	DESTROYED		DAMAGED	DAMAGED

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MISSION FIRING DATE	3/9/1967	3/10/1967	3/10/1967	3/10/1967
MISSION START TIME	91403	92031	92020	92010
MISSION END TIME	91406	92033	92024	92013
CTZ TO WHICH FIRING WAS DIRECTED	Corps Area 3	Corps Area 1	Corps Area 3	Corps Area 3
UTM COORDINATES OF TARGET	WG967427	XF011793	WF823787	WF767809
OPERATION TYPE	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN
PERIOD OF THE DAY	Day	Night	Night	Night
TARGET TYPE CODE	CD SITE	CD SITE	CD SITE	CD SITE
DES OR DAM TO SHIP				
ORDNANCE TYPE EXPENDED	HC	AAC	WP	WP
QUANTITY OF ORDNANCE EXPENDED	6	126	2	4
RANGE TO TARGET IN YARDS	15,800	18.6	15,800	16,000
ENEMY LOSS CODES	CD SITE		CD SITE	CD SITE
QUANTITY OF ENEMY LOSS	1		1	1
ENEMY DES OR DAM DESIGNATION	DAMAGED		DAMAGED	DAMAGED

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MISSION FIRING DATE	3/10/1967	3/10/1967	3/10/1967	3/10/1967
MISSION START TIME	92012	92010	92011	92015
MISSION END TIME	92015	92014	92012	92019
CTZ TO WHICH FIRING WAS DIRECTED	Corps Area 3	Corps Area 3	Corps Area 3	Corps Area 3
UTM COORDINATES OF TARGET	WF823787	WF750789	WF758817	WF828790
OPERATION TYPE	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN
PERIOD OF THE DAY	Night	Night	Night	Night
TARGET TYPE CODE	CD SITE	SUPPLY AREA	CD SITE	CD SITE
DES OR DAM TO SHIP				
ORDNANCE TYPE EXPENDED	AAC	AAC	WP	AAC
QUANTITY OF ORDNANCE EXPENDED	68	20	4	40
RANGE TO TARGET IN YARDS	16,200	16,100	16,100	16,400
ENEMY LOSS CODES	CD SITE	SUPPLY AREA	CD SITE	CD SITE
QUANTITY OF ENEMY LOSS	1	1	1	1
ENEMY DES OR DAM DESIGNATION	DAMAGED	DAMAGED	DAMAGED	DAMAGED

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MISSION FIRING DATE	3/11/1967	3/11/1967	3/11/1967	3/11/1967
MISSION START TIME	110900	110858	110904	110841
MISSION END TIME	110902	110859	110907	110852
CTZ TO WHICH FIRING WAS DIRECTED	Corps Area 1	Corps Area 1	Corps Area 1	Corps Area 1
UTM COORDINATES OF TARGET	XF120242	XF143206	XF090261	XF237246
OPERATION TYPE	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN
PERIOD OF THE DAY	Day	Day	Day	Day
TARGET TYPE CODE	CD SITE	CD SITE	CD SITE	CD SITE
DES OR DAM TO SHIP				
ORDNANCE TYPE EXPENDED	AAC	HE	WP	HE
QUANTITY OF ORDNANCE EXPENDED	44	10	2	20
RANGE TO TARGET IN YARDS	16,000	16,200	16,100	16,800
ENEMY LOSS CODES				
QUANTITY OF ENEMY LOSS				
ENEMY DES OR DAM DESIGNATION				

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MISSION FIRING DATE	3/11/1967	3/12/1967	3/12/1967	3/12/1967
MISSION START TIME	110908	120207	120204	120155
MISSION END TIME	110910	120211	120206	120158
CTZ TO WHICH FIRING WAS DIRECTED	Corps Area 1	Corps Area 1	Corps Area 1	Corps Area 1
UTM COORDINATES OF TARGET	XF090281	XE583554	XE606536	XF653466
OPERATION TYPE	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN
PERIOD OF THE DAY	Day	Day	Day	Day
TARGET TYPE CODE	CD SITE	CD SITE	CD SITE	CD SITE
DES OR DAM TO SHIP				
ORDNANCE TYPE EXPENDED	AAC	AAC	AAC	AAC
QUANTITY OF ORDNANCE EXPENDED	39	62	26	28
RANGE TO TARGET IN YARDS	15,900	16,300	16,200	15,500
ENEMY LOSS CODES		CD SITE	CD SITE	CD SITE
QUANTITY OF ENEMY LOSS		1	1	1
ENEMY DES OR DAM DESIGNATION		DAMAGED	DAMAGED	DAMAGED

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MISSION FIRING DATE	3/12/1967	3/12/1967	3/13/1967	3/13/1967
MISSION START TIME	120201	120158	130336	121728
MISSION END TIME	120203	120200	130351	121730
CTZ TO WHICH FIRING WAS DIRECTED	Corps Area 1	Corps Area 1	Corps Area 2	Corps Area 2
UTM COORDINATES OF TARGET	XE613520	XF614588	WG981405	WG979409
OPERATION TYPE	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN
PERIOD OF THE DAY	Day	Day	Day	Night
TARGET TYPE CODE	CD SITE	CD SITE	CD SITE	CD SITE
DES OR DAM TO SHIP				
ORDNANCE TYPE EXPENDED	AAC	AAC	AAC	AAC
QUANTITY OF ORDNANCE EXPENDED	28	28	33	19
RANGE TO TARGET IN YARDS	16,100	16,400	15,500	17,100
ENEMY LOSS CODES	CD SITE	CD SITE	CD SITE	CD SITE
QUANTITY OF ENEMY LOSS	1	1	1	1
ENEMY DES OR DAM DESIGNATION	DAMAGED	DAMAGED	DAMAGED	DAMAGED

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MISSION FIRING DATE	3/13/1967	3/13/1967	3/13/1967	3/14/1967
MISSION START TIME	130326	121726	121731	131601
MISSION END TIME	130330	121728	121735	131602
CTZ TO WHICH FIRING WAS DIRECTED	Corps Area 2	Corps Area 2	Corps Area 2	Corps Area 3
UTM COORDINATES OF TARGET	WG967427	WG967427	WG979484	WG844515
OPERATION TYPE	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN
PERIOD OF THE DAY	Day	Night	Night	Night
TARGET TYPE CODE	CD SITE	CD SITE	CD SITE	CD SITE
DES OR DAM TO SHIP				
ORDNANCE TYPE EXPENDED	WP	AAC	WP	AAC
QUANTITY OF ORDNANCE EXPENDED	10	40	10	16
RANGE TO TARGET IN YARDS	15,000	15,000	17,000	14,000
ENEMY LOSS CODES	CD SITE	CD SITE	CD SITE	CD SITE
QUANTITY OF ENEMY LOSS	1	1	1	1
ENEMY DES OR DAM DESIGNATION	DAMAGED	DAMAGED	DAMAGED	DAMAGED

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MISSION FIRING DATE	3/14/1967	3/14/1967	3/17/1967	3/17/1967
MISSION START TIME	131605	131603	170943	162346
MISSION END TIME	131606	131604	171002	162351
CTZ TO WHICH FIRING WAS DIRECTED	Corps Area 3	Corps Area 3	Corps Area 1	Corps Area 1
UTM COORDINATES OF TARGET	WG853497	WG856486	XE572577	XE533584
OPERATION TYPE	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN
PERIOD OF THE DAY	Night	Night	Day	Day
TARGET TYPE CODE	CD SITE	CD SITE	WBLC OFFSHORE	FERRY/APP
DES OR DAM TO SHIP				
ORDNANCE TYPE EXPENDED	AAC	AAC	AAC	WP
QUANTITY OF ORDNANCE EXPENDED	14	36	36	4
RANGE TO TARGET IN YARDS	15,300	15,600	12,000	15,400
ENEMY LOSS CODES	CD SITE	CD SITE		FERRY/APP
QUANTITY OF ENEMY LOSS	1	1		1
ENEMY DES OR DAM DESIGNATION	DAMAGED	DAMAGED		DAMAGED

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MISSION FIRING DATE	3/17/1967	3/17/1967	3/17/1967	3/17/1967
MISSION START TIME	170532	170032	170539	171012
MISSION END TIME	170538	170033	170541	171024
CTZ TO WHICH FIRING WAS DIRECTED	Corps Area 1	Corps Area 1	Corps Area 1	Corps Area 1
UTM COORDINATES OF TARGET	XE965000	XE638401	XE945065	XE577577
OPERATION TYPE	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN
PERIOD OF THE DAY	Day	Day	Day	Day
TARGET TYPE CODE	CHOKE PT	VEHICLE	CHOKE PT	FERRY/APP
DES OR DAM TO SHIP				
ORDNANCE TYPE EXPENDED	HE	WP	HE	HE
QUANTITY OF ORDNANCE EXPENDED	33	4	35	24
RANGE TO TARGET IN YARDS	15,500	25,400	16,300	16,100
ENEMY LOSS CODES	CHOKE PT		CHOKE PT	FERRY/APP
QUANTITY OF ENEMY LOSS	1		1	1
ENEMY DES OR DAM DESIGNATION	DAMAGED		DAMAGED	DAMAGED

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US Military Press Release, US Military Assistance command, Feb 1967 states "On 17 March, while the destroyers USS Stoddard and USS Ingersoll were attempting rescue of a downed USN Pilot 9 km N of the DMZ, enemy shore batteries fired on the Stoddard causing a 10 by 18 inch hole above the waterline on the starboard side. The destroyer returned fire silencing the battery, made repairs and remained on station. There were no casualties.

Direct Hit Event The pilot was later rescued by helicopter. *

MISSION FIRING DATE	3/17/1967	3/20/1967	3/20/1967	3/26/1967
MISSION START TIME	170950	191808	191802	251650
MISSION END TIME	170955	191810	191812	251655
CTZ TO WHICH FIRING WAS DIRECTED	Corps Area 1	Corps Area 1	Corps Area 1	Corps Area 3
UTM COORDINATES OF TARGET	XE645985	XE606536	XE602566	WG983408
OPERATION TYPE	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN	Sea Dragon - VN
PERIOD OF THE DAY	Day	Night	Night	Night
TARGET TYPE CODE	RADAR SITE	CD SITE	CD SITE	CD SITE
DES OR DAM TO SHIP	DAMAGED	Operational		
ORDNANCE TYPE EXPENDED	HE	HE	HE	AAC
QUANTITY OF ORDNANCE EXPENDED	45	17	102	100
RANGE TO TARGET IN YARDS	7,000	15,800	15,800	14,700
ENEMY LOSS CODES	RADAR SITE	CD SITE	CD SITE	
QUANTITY OF ENEMY LOSS	1	1	1	
ENEMY DES OR DAM DESIGNATION	DAMAGED	DAMAGED	DAMAGED	

* In order for the report location above to agree with UTM Coordinates it would be 90 km not 9 km.

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MISSION FIRING DATE	3/26/1967
MISSION START TIME	251655
MISSION END TIME	251658
CTZ TO WHICH FIRING WAS DIRECTED	Corps Area 3
UTM COORDINATES OF TARGET	WG979421
OPERATION TYPE	Sea Dragon - VN
PERIOD OF THE DAY	Night
TARGET TYPE CODE	CD SITE
DES OR DAM TO SHIP	Operational
ORDNANCE TYPE EXPENDED	HE
QUANTITY OF ORDNANCE EXPENDED	19
RANGE TO TARGET IN YARDS	14,800
ENEMY LOSS CODES	CD SITE
QUANTITY OF ENEMY LOSS	1
ENEMY DES OR DAM DESIGNATION	DAMAGED

Conversions

Date/time: GMT (Zulu) - Add 7 hours for Stoddard local time

Corps: Area of operation for military purposes

UTM: Universal Transverse Mercator coordinate system

Sea Dragon: US Naval Coastal Interdiction operation

CD: Coastal Defense, WBLC: Water Born Logistical Craft

Illum: Illuminating

WP: White Phosphorous

HE: High Explosive

AAC: AntiAircraft Common

Overall Stats for WESPAC 67

Total Missions 45

Total Rounds 1412