

377th Air Police Squadron Radio Transmissions TET Offensive 1968

The following information is a record of all transmissions to and from the 377th Air Police Squadron, Central Security Control (CSC), Tan Son Nhut Air Base, Saigon, Vietnam, on January 31, 1968. The TET 1968 Attack on Tan Son Nhut began early in the morning at 0321 hours.

The time of day was normally not utilized by CSC, during this attack. What we have done is put the time of the day, at the end of some transmissions, in red.

(Five Security Policemen manned the Echo-37 Bunker, better known as the O-51 Bunker, due to the fact, it was just South, of the O-51 Gate. We have placed all of Echo-37's known transmissions in RED.)

1. Sgt. Alonzo J. Coggins, WIA, survived with severe injuries.
2. Sgt. William J. Cyr, KIA, Feb 1, 1968, 36-E, Line-013.
3. Sgt. Louis H. Fischer, KIA, Feb 1, 1968, 36-E, Line-005.
4. Sgt. Charles E. Hebron, KIA, Feb 1, 1968, 36-E, Line-025.
5. Sgt. Roger B. Mills, KIA, Feb 1, 1968, 36-E, Line-008.

- (Tango-1)** Tango-1, to Security Control. **(0321 hours)**
- (Security Control)** Control by, Tango-1.
- (Security Control)** (We're under mortar attack man, we're under mortar attack, answer your phones.)
(Numerous explosions can be heard near CSC.)
- (Unknown unit)** (Garbled transmission.)
- (Security Control)** I copy that we're coming, we have mortar rounds coming in from the O-51 Gate.
(Explosions can be heard in the distance.)
- (Unknown unit)** (Garbled transmission) (Explosions can be heard close by.)
- (Security Control)** (Movement can be heard within CSC and being picked up by the tape recorder.)
(Explosions can be heard.) (Roger, I have TSCC, Command Post.)
- (Unknown unit)** (Garbled transmission.)

(Mobile-56) Security Control, Mobile-56.

(Security Control) Control by, Mobile-56.

(Mobile-56) 10-12, the 1300 area.

(Security Control) 10-4, it's been accomplished. (Voice inside CSC: Who did we get?)

(Mobile-56) 10-4, do you have any reports on attempts to breach the perimeter?

(Security Control) 10-25. (Voice inside CSC: Did you get them?) **(0322 hours)**

(Mobile-56) 10-4. (Garbled transmission)

(Mobile-56) Security Control, this is -56.

(Security Control) Control by, -56.

(Mobile-56) Go ahead and use the sirens and notify the installation.

(Security Control) I copy that. Security Control RSAT. (Garbled voices) (Loud explosions can be heard close by.) (You can hear people inside CSC, lock and loading their M-16's.)

(Security Control) Security Control, Mobile-56.

(Mobile-56) Mobile-56, by.

(Security Control) Your message?

(Mobile-56) Go ahead and re-hit the siren and notify all the installation.

(Security Control) Do you copy Defense Control? (Installation siren can be heard in the background.)

(Defense Control) Security Control, 10-4. Damn! (Loud explosions can be heard.)

(Tango-10) Security Control, this is Tango-10. (Loud explosions can be heard.)

(Security Control) (Loud explosions can be heard) Control by Tango-10.

(Tango-10) We're in the North, uh South, uh West, 4201, still haven't been able to augment some choppers out here.

(Security Control) Copy, Defense Control?

(Defense Control) 10-4, working on that right now.

- (Security Control)** Roger that, 10-36.
- (Security Control)** (Security Control is on the phone.) Yes sir, I need you ... Signal-100. ... 10-4. (Loud explosions can be heard.)
- (Unknown unit, garbled)** Security Control ... (Garbled transmission.)
- (Security Control)** 10-4, 10-36.
- (Security Control)** (Loud Explosions can be heard.) **(0323 hours)**
- (Mobile-56)** Alert the 1300 Area and roll the QRT's.
- (Security Control)** Security Control, to the 1300 Area, Alert NCO, roll the QRT. Get them rolling.
- (Alpha-34)** Security Control, Alpha-34.
- (Security Control)** Control by, Alpha-34.
- (Alpha-34)** I took a hit, I'll probably need an ambulance.
- (Security Control)** 10-4, Golf-2, from Security Control. (Move em, hurry up.)
- (Bravo-1)** Security Control, to Bravo-1, we're getting hit heavy, up here on the North end.
- (Security Control)** 10-4. (Explosions can be heard.) (They're moving them out. Yeah. Okay)
- (Bravo-2)** Bravo-2, to Security Control. (Loud explosions can be heard.)
- (Security Control)** Control by, Bravo-2.
- (Bravo-2)** Reference the rear of the POL area. (Garbled voice, loud explosion.)
- (Security Control)** 10-4, 10-36. (Loud Explosions can be heard.) (Loud Explosions can be heard again.) **(0324 hours)**
- (Security Control)** Control by, last calling unit.
- (O-53 Bravo bunker)** (Garbled transmissions, they are talking over each other.)
- (Security Control)** Control by, O-53, Bravo bunker.
- (O-53, Bravo Bunker)** We've got mortars, coming in from the West.
- (Security Control)** 10-4, Security Control, to all units, unless you've got something to say, just take cover. If you see something to report, report it, be especially alert for a penetration attempts. No acknowledgment necessary, 10-36.
- (Mobile-56)** Security Control, this is Mobile-56.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Mobile-56) Security Control, Mobile-56.

(Security Control) Control by, Mobile-56.

(Mobile-56) (Garbled) ... can you tell me if we have any penetration attempts on the West end ...

(Security Control) uh, As far as I know sir, the West end is still secure. Tango-4, from Security Control. (Loud explosions can be heard.)

(Tango-4) Tango-4 by.

(Security Control) How's everything down there on the West end?

(Tango-4) There not coming on base, on the West end so far.

(Security Control) That's a good 10-4.

(Tango-10) Security Control, Tango-10.

(Security Control) Control by, Tango-10. **(0325 hours)**

(Tango-10) Have another reading ... (Garbled transmission)

(Security Control) 10-4, Security Control ... (Loud Explosion) 1300 Area, Alert NCO.

(Security Control) Golf, from Security Control.

(Security Control) (Garble voices within CSC) ... them sum-of-a-bitches ain't going to roll up there. Yeah man, they ain't worth shit, I called them twice. (Explosions can be heard.)

(Security Control) Alpha QRT, from Security Control.

(Mobile-56) Control, this is -56.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Mobile-56) Let's leave QRT on the line, unless we are sure that we have penetration.

(Security Control) That's 10-4, Alert (Explosion) NCO, Security Control.

(Security Control) Alert NCO, from Security Control.

(Unknown unit) (Garbled transmission.)

(Security Control) 10-4. **(0326 hours)**

(Unknown unit) (Garbled transmission.)

(Security Control) Control by.

(Unknown unit) 10-4, we're still getting it up from the North, can we get some choppers out there?

(Security Control) Hey, Defense Control, we sure would appreciate, appreciate some choppers in the North.

(Defense Control) (Garbled transmission)

(Tango-4) Security Control, Tango-4.

(Security Control) Control by, Tango-4.

(Tango-4) Choppers up in the West.

(Security Control) 10-4, good show. (Was that choppers?)

(RSAT) Security Control, RSAT. (Garbled transmission) (Loud explosion can be heard.)

(Security Control) RSAT, from Security Control, 10-5, keep your radio on and take cover.

(RSAT) 10-4, we're gonna be standing by the bunker, next to the vehicle.

(Security Control) Good show.

(Unknown unit) Security Control.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Tango-5) Tango-5, will you contact Base Police and uh, see if they are able raise them up on my frequency. (Garbled transmission, talking over each other.)

(Security Control) That's 10-4.

(Charlie-1) Control, Charlie-1.

(Security Control) Control by, Charlie-1. (Has he got communications.)

(Charlie-1) (Garbled transmission) ... We're coming under small arms fire on our MLR.
(0327 hours)

(Security Control) Coming from your MLR?

(Charlie-1) Affirmative. It's approximately coming from Charlie-34.

(Security Control) Charlie-34, from Security Control.

- (Charlie-34)** That will be a negative, I have a building here on fire and it's, it's burning up.
- (Security Control)** They have a what on fire? They have a building on fire. 10-4, 10-36.
- (Unknown unit)** (Garbled transmission.)
- (Security Control)** Charlie-1, your message.
- (Charlie-1)** I'm taxing in that area, 10-5 for a minute.
- (Security Control)** 10-4, 10-36. (Loud Explosion) (Loud Explosion again.) (Voice inside CSC: Did CSC initiate a, "Covered Wagon." Yes we did, sir. (Loud Explosion)(Loud Explosion again.) Tango-1, from Security Control.
- (Security Control)** Tango-1, from Security Control. Tango-1. (A lot of movement within CSC.) (We've lost our communications. Aw-son-of-a-bitch. You going to go out there sir?) Mobile-56, from Security Control. Defense Control from Security Control.
- (Mobile-56)** Mobile-56, Security Control.
- (Security Control)** Mobile-56, we have, been knocked out, I'm trying to raise Defense Control.
(0328 hours)
- (Mobile-56)** I'm going out at that 10-9.
- (Security Control)** 10-4. (Voice inside CSC: Let's see if we can't get that generator going. I'll be going over to Defense Control. Get that generator going sir. Ain't this a bitch.)
- (Mobile-56)** Security Control, Mobile-56.
- (Security Control)** Control by, Mobile-56. (Explosion can be heard.)
- (Mobile-56)** Is the LT inside?
- (Security Control)** Yes sir, we're fine.
- (Mobile-56)** Have him standby, there's something I want to talk to him about.
- (Security Control)** 10-4.
- (Bravo-1)** Control, Bravo-1.
- (Security Control)** Control by, Bravo-1.
- (Bravo-1)** It slacked off on our end, just a little bit here.
- (Security Control)** Bravo-1, 10-20, please.

(Security Control) Bravo-1, from Security Control could you give me a 10-20.

(Bravo-1) They have slacked off a little bit on our end, but we can hear them going over head, from the East. I have shifted my position, closer, to the perimeter fence, between 79th and closer to Bravo-45. **(0329 hours)**

(Security Control) 10-4.

(Tango-10) Security Control, this is Tango-10.

(Security Control) Control by, Tango-10.

(Tango-10) 10-4, I've got ground to air tracers going out, heading to the North and I still have no choppers over this area.

(Security Control) 10-4, copy, Defense Control?

(Defense Control) 10-25.

(Security Control) 10-4, we've got ground to air tracers going out, on the North end but we still have no choppers in the area.

(Defense Control) 10-4, we'll check it out.

(Security Control) 10-4.

(Mobile-56) Security Control, this is -56, this unit is out, on the outer perimeter road. We've got two directions of a, tracer fire coming from Golf-3's position, uh, tracer fire is parallel to the East perimeter. The majority of it however is low trajectory into the installation. It's all tracer fire, currently directed at the POL and the Bravo area on the North-east end. **(0330 hours)**

(Security Control) 10-4, 10-36.

(Army-2) Army-2, Security Control.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Army-2) You attempted to contact this unit before, but no message.

(Security Control) 10-4, get your team on the truck and stand-by.

(Army-2) 10-4.

(Security Control) Yes sir, this is Sgt Bloom from Security Control, uh, this is a "Covered Wagon." We're under small arms attack from the East end ... (Other radio calls come in.)

(Mobile-56) Security Control, this is Mobile-56, we're on the outer perimeter road proceeding to -56, O-56 Gate that is. We are not receiving or giving any fire at this time.)

(Security Control) 10-4, 10-36.

(Tango-18) Security Control, Tango-18.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Tango-18) Have Bravo-3, come by my post. **(0331 hours)**

(Bravo-1) Bravo-3, copy.

(Security Control) 10-4, 10-36.

(Tango-1) Security Control, Tango-1.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Tango-1) Picking up automatic weapons fire in the vicinity of Gate-2.

(Security Control) 10-4, Any report?

(Tango-1) 10-4, It's been reported.

(Security Control) 10-4. Foxtrot-2, from Security Control.

(Foxtrot-2) Foxtrot-2, by Foxtrot-8.

(Security Control) 10-4, Stand-by.

(Foxtrot-2) Roger, stand by one.

(Bravo-1) ... (Garbled transmission) Bravo-1, set up as far as I can determine, it seems to be around Tango-15. Do you advise any different?

(Security Control) 10-25, 10-5, 10-9. (Voice inside CSC: RSAT up yet?)

(Foxtrot-3) Security Control, Foxtrot-3.

(Security Control) Control by. **(0332 hours)**

(Foxtrot-3) 10-4, there's automatic weapons fire, Gate-2, it's approximately three quarters, to a mile out. Straight out from this unit.

(Security Control) 10-4. Mobile-56, to Security Control.

(Security Control) Mobile-56, from Security Control.

(Mobile-56) Mobile-56 by, we rendezvoused with Golf-3. Uh, The unit deployed South-East on perimeter road, the source of the, uh weapons fire is about 150 meters South-East of

the O-56 Gate. Be sure that Bravo-2, is 10-31 on perimeter road, toward the O-56 Gate.

(Security Control) 10-4. Army-1, from Security Control.

(Army-1) Army-1 by.

(Security Control) Status? **(0333 hours)**

(Army-1) We're ready to go.

(Security Control) 10-4, 10-5. Army-2, from Security Control.

(Army-2) Army-2.

(Security Control) Status?

(Army-2) Troops are getting dressed and getting ready to get on vehicles.

(Security Control) 10-4, hustle em up. Army-3, from Security Control.

(Army-3) Army-3 by.

(Security Control) Status?

(Echo-37)(Echo-6) **Security Control, be advised (Echo-37 is the correct call-sign for the O-51 Bunker)**
(Then Echo-6 also transmits)(Garbled transmission)

(Security Control) Echo-6, from Security Control, your message?

(Echo-6) Echo-6, there's mortar rounds or grenade rounds landing on the West perimeter fence.

(Security Control) 10-4. Alpha-2, to Security Control.

(Alpha-2) Alpha-2, go ahead.

(Security Control) 10-4, go, 10-20, on West perimeter. Tango-1, from Security Control. What do you copy on the West end?

(Tango-1) Tango-1, we're picking up these explosions coming in on-base. It seems to be coming from grenades.

(Security Control) 10-4, Echo-1, from Security Control. **(0334 hours)**

(Echo-1) Echo-1 receiving, they're generally coming in near the O-51 bunker, (Echo-37).
(Garbled transmission.)

(Security Control) Security Control, Mobile-56 ... (A jet takes off and drowns out the radio transmission.)

- (Echo-37)** Echo-37, to Security Control, (O-51 Bunker is also Echo-37.)
- (Echo-37)** (Echo-37 is also known at the O-51 Bunker. It is manned tonight by five Air Policemen.
1. Sgt Alonzo Coggins, who will be wounded seriously in a few minutes, and spend approximately eight hours inside the O-51 Bunker with the enemy. He will also endure, several tank rounds, Razorback rounds and jet bombs tonight.)
 2. Sgt William Joseph Cyr, who will be Killed In Action, within minutes.
 3. Sgt Louis Harold Fischer, who will be Killed In Action, within minutes.
 4. Sgt Charles Edward Hebron, who will be Killed In Action, within minutes.
 5. Sgt Roger Bertha Mills, who will be Killed In Action, within minutes.
- (Security Control)** Control by, Echo-37.
- (Echo-37)** Out there beyond the tree line is approximately about 25 people, they just fired mortar barrages.
- (Security Control)** 10-4, Echo-1, from Security Control.
- (Echo-1)** Echo-1, receiving.
- (Security Control)** 10-31, O-51 Gate.
- (Echo-1)** 10-4.
- (Security Control)** RSAT, from Security Control.
- (Foxtrot-6)** Security Control, Foxtrot-6.
- (Security Control)** Control by, Foxtrot-6.
- (Foxtrot-6)** Be advised, down below the Airborne area near Plantation Road, there were tracer rounds, about fifty of them started firing at the outbound aircraft.
- (Security Control)** 10-4. RSAT, from Security Control.
- (RSAT)** This is RSAT, Security Control, we are enroute.
- (Security Control)** Enroute to the O-51 Gate? **(0335 hours)**
- (Security Control)** RSAT, from Security Control, you are enroute to the O-51 Gate?
- (RSAT)** Give me the 10-9, of the O-51 Gate?

- (Security Control)** The O-51 Gate, on the West end. (Voice inside CSC: Have they caught anybody.)
- (Security Control)** Scout, from Security Control. (Voice inside CSC: Got anything you want me to report to QRT?)
- (Tango-1)** Security Control, Tango-1.
- (Security Control)** Control by.
- (Tango-1)** Picking up this heavy tracer fire, it's just out of the first tree line, it's coming from a wide area, 4934 mil reading on it.
- (Security Control)** (Yeah!)(Yeah!) That's 10-4. Alert NCO from Security Control. (Go ahead, I was just outside) (See what's happen out there from their post.) (He's got em on the phone now.)
- (Security Control)** Echo-1, from Security Control, 10-32.
- (Echo-1)** 10-20, enroute on Perimeter Road, to the O-51 Gate. **(0336 hours)**
- (RSAT)** Reserve SAT, to CSC.
- (Security Control)** Control by.
- (RSAT)** What Sector is the O-51 Gate in?
- (Security Control)** It's Echo Sector.
- (RSAT)** 10-4.
- (Bravo-1)** Bravo-1, Security Control.
- (Security Control)** Control by.
- (Bravo-1)** Bravo-1 and Golf-3, orders Mobile-56, are to patrol and control along East Perimeter, from Tango-9 to Tango-16, over.
- (Security Control)** 10-4, 10-36.
- (Mobile-56)** Security Control, and all patrols, Mobile-56, 10-5, O-56 Bravo bunker.
- (Security Control)** 10-4.
- (Echo-1)** Security Control, Echo-1.
- (Security Control)** Control by.
- (Echo-1)** This unit, 10-8, just North of airport gate. **(0337 hours)**

- (Security Control)** Echo-1, from Security Control, 10-32.
- (Echo-1)** Echo-1, this unit is in the ditch next to the O-51 bunker.
- (Security Control)** That's 10-4, what you guys got going on down there?
- (Echo-1)** We're receiving small arms fire.
- (Tango-4)** Security Control, Tango-4.
- (Security Control)** Control by, Tango-4.
- (Tango-4)** You go about 100 yards out, directly in front of my post, is about twenty men out there, that are shooting off mortar fire. (Voice inside CSC: Yes sir, we initiated it.)
- (Security Control)** Tango-1, from Security Control.
- (Tango-1)** Tango-1, receiving.
- (Security Control)** What do you copy on mortar fire?
- (Tango-1)** Stand-by.
- (Security Control)** (Voice inside CSC: Who's reporting this, sir?) (Huh?) (Who's reporting this? Tango-4 is.) Tango-4, from Security Control.
- (Tango-4)** Tango-4. **(0338 hours)**
- (Security Control)** 10-4, are they coming on base?
- (Tango-4)** Directly, in front of my post, a hundred yards off the West perimeter.
- (Security Control)** They are landing one hundred yards off the West perimeter?
- (Tango-4)** They are setting up a hundred yards, in front, of the West perimeter.
- (Security Control)** Echo-1, from Security Control, do you observe this? (You got that?) (Okay, I'm gonna get em on the line) (Keep your head low.)
- (Tango-1)** Security Control, Tango-1.
- (Security Control)** Control by.
- (Tango-1)** There is mortar fire coming on base, just about a hundred yards off the West

perimeter. Five-zero-three-one, is the vicinity.

- (Security Control)** 10-4, Tango-10, from Security Control. (Voice inside CSC: Right)
- (Tango-10)** Tango-10, the trees are blocking us out. (Voice inside CSC: O-51 Gate.)
- (Security Control)** Do you copy, Defense Control? (Locate our QRT's yet?)
- (Tango-1)** Tango -1, Security Control, they're coming in toward the O-51 Gate, from those rows of tree, coming from behind those trees. **(0339 hours)**
- (Security Control)** 10-4, RSAT, from Security Control.
- (RSAT)** RSAT by.
- (Security Control)** Your status?
- (RSAT)** RSAT, CSC escort.
- (Security Control)** 10-4, Keep this office advised of your progress.
- (RSAT)** RSAT, 10-4.
- (Mobile-56)** Security Control, Mobile-56.
- (Security Control)** Control by.
- (Mobile-56)** Golf is, Golf-3 unit and Bravo-1 are by the West perm, uh the East end perimeter. You have Golf-2 standing-by at the O-56 Bravo Bunker. This unit is 10-31, at East end, trying to rendezvous and make contact with troopers at that 10-9.
- (Security Control)** 10-4. You copy on the mortars approximately one hundred yards off the East end? West end of the O-51?
- (Mobile-56)** That's 10-4, I copy the position is there, where are the mortars falling?
- (Security Control)** We have not received any. They are being set up at this time. This is, received from Tango-4. **(0340 hours)**
- (Tango-4)** CSC, Tango-4.
- (Mobile-56)** I copy. Have we got Razorback support?
- (Tango-4)** Tango-4 ... (Another radio drowns out Tango-4.)
- (Unknown Unit)** East end receiving heavy tracer fire.

(Echo-37) Security Control, Echo-37.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Echo-37) Be advised, vicinity of numerous VC outside the fence at Echo-37.

(Security Control) 10-20, Echo-37.

(Echo-37) (Garbled transmission.) ... on Echo-37.

(Security Control) 10-4. (CSC is talking on the phone, Mobile-56 is out there now.)

(Tango-4) Tango-4 to Security Control.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Tango-1) They are directly in front, of the West perimeter. This area must be illuminated because they might, try to attack the base there. They're ten feet from the base.

(Security Control) Mobile-56, from Security Control.

(Mobile-56) -56 by. **(0341 hours)**

(Tango-4) (Garbled transmission) ... exploding about ten feet from the base.

(Security Control) 10-4, 10-36.

(Bravo-1) Bravo-1, to Security Control.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Bravo-1) We are South, vicinity of the old stone wall, East perimeter, we're receiving tracer fire overhead, coming on Base, direction POL. We're 10-5.

(Security Control) 10-4, 10-36.

(Echo-37) Echo-37.

(Security Control) Security Control, to the last calling unit, 10-20.

(Echo-37) This is Echo-37, I've been hit seriously, I'll probably need an ambulance.

(Security Control) 10-4, Echo-37, hang on boy, the ambulance is enroute.

(Echo-1) Security Control, Echo-1.

(Security Control) Echo-1, your message.

(Echo-1) We need help down here, at the O-51 Bunker, bad.

(Security Control) Golf-1, from Security Control. (Voice inside CSC, where are the QRT's)
(0342 hours)

(Tango-1) Tango-1, to Security Control, those mortar rounds are coming into Tango Sector, uh, Echo Sector.

(Security Control) 10-4, Security Control to all units, Security Control to all units, we are under mortar attack! Take Cover! Take Cover!

(Tango-12) Security Control, Echo-12.

(Security Control) Control by, Echo-12.

(Echo-12) 10-4, take cover ... (garbled transmission) Echo Sector ... The VC are all around his post.

(Security Control) 10-4, take cover. (This is Sgt ____, at CSC ... QRT's going) (Damn it.)

(Charlie-41) Security Control, Charlie-41.

Security Control) Control By.

(Charlie-41) (Garbled transmission.)

(Security Control) 10-4.

(Security Control) Army-2, from Security Control. (Voice inside CSC: Get-um out, God-damn it, I don't know where the hell our people are at.)

(Security Control) Army-2, from Security Control.

(Army-2) Army-2.

(Security Control) 10-4, 10-31, O-51 Gate, advise this office, as to your progress. **(0343 hours)**

(Army-2) 10-4.

(Security Control) RSAT, from Security Control.

(Security Control) RSAT, from Security Control.

(RSAST) RSAT.

(Security Control) What is your, position?

(Echo-53) (Garbled transmission.)

(Mobile-56) Security Control, this is Echo-56.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Mobile-56) Approaching the O-51 Gate, you're going to have to haul additional ammo out to those troops, they're nearly out. (Voice inside CSC: Tell them to get down.)

(Security Control) (Oh, Hell! Yeah!) 10-4. Army-2, from Security Control.

(Army-2) Army-2 by.

(Security Control) 10-5, until we get rid of this mortar attack.

(Army-2) That's 10-4.

(Security Control) That's 10-4, 10-36. (Phone rings in CSC, Sgt Moore, sir.)

(Unknown unit) We are in Delta Sector, we are taking, we are taking cover in the bunker at Delta Bunker-7. **(0344 hours)**

(Security Control) 10-4, 10-36.

(Mobile-56) Security Control, this is Mobile-56.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Mobile-56) We're still near the O-51 Gate, mortars are continuing , we got a Razorback aircraft, outside the perimeter, strafing right in front of the O-51 Gate.

(Security Control) 10-4, did the RSAT ever get there?

(Mobile-56) That's unknown at this time, to this unit. If you need me, we are North, of the O-51 Gate.

(Security Control) 10-4, RSAT, to Security Control, your 10-9? (Voice inside CSC: Okay, will do. Hey Jim. Yeah. Base Police request a couple of MG's down at the Main Gate. MG's? Tell them we don't have them. How long have you been down there?)

(Tango-16) Tango-36, to Security Control. **(0345 hours)**

(Security Control) Control by.

(Echo-36) We have VC breaking through, we're under attack, at the O-51 Gate.

(Security Control) Echo-36, from Security Control, slow down, I can't make you out.

(Echo-36) There are VC breaking through our perimeter. Down at the O-51 Gate.

(Security Control) (Voice inside CSC: We're going to have to commit them. We can't stop them. They're coming in under their own mortar attack.)

(Security Control) 10-4. Army-2, from Security Control.

(Army-2) Army-2.

(Security Control) We are under mortar attack, the VC are breaking through the O-51 Gate. 10-31 that 10-9. (You can hear the roar of a jet taking off.)

(Army-2) 10-4.

(Security Control) 10-36. (Voice inside CSC: ... came in and they're penetrating now.)

(Numerous units trying to transmit) (Garbled transmissions for fifteen seconds.)

(Security Control) Army 2, to Security Control, we are 10-5. (They come from here, right? Right, it shouldn't take them too long.)

(Echo-37) Security Control, Echo-37. **(0346 hours)**

(Security Control) Control by.

(Echo-37) (Garbled transmission.)

(Security Control) 10-20, I can not copy

(Echo-37) The VC are running around, over-running our area. (... A lot of transmissions are over-riding the radio frequency.)

(Delta QRT) Security Control, Delta QRT.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Delta QRT) Delta QRT, to Security Control.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Delta QRT) We are receiving mortar fire, we are on perimeter road in Echo Sector, up from Tango-3.

(Tango-1) Security Control, from Tango-1.

- (Security Control)** Control by.
- (Tango-1)** Be advised, there are a large number of enemy personnel in the field directly across from the O-51 Bunker, coming onto the base.
- (Security Control)** 10-4, Alpha QRT, from Security Control, your 10-9?
- (Echo-9)** Echo, Echo-9, receiving mortar fire in Echo Sector. Up from Tango-3. **(0347 hours)**
- (Security Control)** That's 10-4, the VC are busting through the O-51 Gate. 10-31 the area to the South of the O-51 Gate.
- (Echo-2)** Security Control, Echo-2.
- (Security Control)** Control by.
- (Echo-2)** This unit's receiving mortar fire on the entire MLR, they're walking them up and down the MLR.
- (Security Control)** 10-4, 10-36.
- (QRT Team 8)** QRT Team, Team 8, this unit is 10-8, enroute to your 10-9.
- (Security Control)** (Enroute to my 10-9) What QRT Team is this?
- (QRT Team 8)** Number 8, QRT.
- (Security Control)** (Number 8) What is your call sign, that's not number 8. Are you Alpha, Bravo, etc., etc.?
- (Alpha QRT)** Alpha QRT.
- (Security Control)** 10-4, go to your respective rendezvous point.
- (Alpha QRT)** 10-4. (Get'em out there. They're hitting' us all over.) **(0348 hours)**
- (Security Control)** 10-4. Army-1, from Security Control.
- (Security Control)** Correction, Army-3, from Security Control.
- (Army-3)** Army-3 by.
- (Security Control)** Your 10-9?
- (Army-3)** We are 10-5, here at Camp Gaylor.
- (Security Control)** (There's a knock on the CSC door. Come on in.) 10-4.

(Bravo QRT) Bravo QRT, 10-5 rendezvous point, ready for deployment.

(Security Control) 10-4. (Bravo QRT)

(Mobile-56) Security Control, Mobile-56.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Mobile-56)(Tango-1) (Both units are talking at the same time, garbled transmission.)

(Tango-1) Security Control, to Tango-1.

(Security Control) 10-5, Tango-1. Mobile-56, 10-20?

(Mobile-56) 10-4, Are helicopters are getting ready, they keep coming up and down the fence, they're right on them.

(Security Control) Do you copy, Defense Control?

(Defense Control) Defense Control, 10-4.

(Mobile-56) (Garbled transmission.) ... Control, have that helicopter keep ... towards the O-51 Gate ... right on em, keep moving up toward the O-51. **(0349 hours)**

(Security Control) Copy, Defense Control?

(Defense Control) Defense Control, 10-4.

(Tango-4) (Spoken in an excited voice.) Tango-4, to Security Control.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Tango-4) (Spoken in an excited voice.) Tango-4, to Security Control.

(Security Control) Control by, Tango-4.

(Tango-4) (Spoken in an excited voice.) There are numerous VC coming onto base, they are coming from a house directly in front of this post.

(Security Control) 10-4, Army-3, from Security Control.

(Army-3) Army-3 by.

(Security Control) 10-9.

(Army-3) We are 10-5, Camp Gaylor, security patrol Mobile K-3.

(Security Control) Army-2, to Security Control.

(Mobile K-3) Security Control, Mobile K-3.

(Army-2) Army-2, enroute.

(Security Control) Your 10-9 now.

(Army-2) The armory. (Voice inside CSC: The armory?)

(Mobile-46) Security Control.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Mobile-46) 10-4, we have an individual on the taxiway, at Whiskey-3, by the Air National Guard camp. (Voice inside CSC: Whiskey-3 ?) **(0350 hours)**

(Security Control) Delta 2, from Security Control.

(Kilo-14) Kilo-14 by.

(Unknown unit) Was that you fired that round?

(Security Control) (Phone rings in CSC!! Sgt. West, sir)

(Kilo-14) 10-4, I have an unidentified individual ... (Garbled transmission.)

(Unknown unit) Did you git em?

(Kilo-14) Negative, he headed toward, MLR?

(Unknown unit) 10-4, You know where we are don't cha? Do you know where we are?

(Kilo-14) Negative.

(Security Control) Echo QRT, from Security Control.

(Delta QRT) Delta QRT, receiving.

(Security Control) 10-25, Echo QRT, from Security Control.

(Bravo-1) Bravo 1.

(Security Control) 10-20, Bravo 1

(Bravo-1)(Unknown unit) (Two units are talking at the same time.) *(Bravo-1)* We are; *(Bravo-1)* is drowned out.) *(Unknown unit)* Kilo 14, we're coming over; *(Bravo-1)* ... around the east perimeter, ... Tango 20 to Tango 15, ... 10-4; ...100 to 150 yards in front of us;

- (Unknown Unit)** Kilo 14?
- (Security Control)** Security Control, to all units, do not transmit direct, go through CSC, you are cutting each other out, Mobile 56 your message. **(0350 hours)**
- (Mobile-56)** Control, the Razorbacks have gotta continue in the area, the area of the enemy, we're going to be by the 0-51 gate. Saturate the building in that area.
- (Security Control)** You copy, Defense Control?
- (Defense Control)** Defense Control, 10-4.
- (Security Control)** 10-36.
- (Echo-37)** Security Control.
- (Security Control)** Control by.
- (Echo-37)** They're directly in front of this post, in the ditch, there must be 15 of em.
- (Security Control)** 10-20, your call sign
- (Echo-37)(Tango 1)** (Echo-37 speaks and then Tango-1 talks over them) Tango-1 to Security Control.
- (Security Control)** Control by.
- (Tango-1)** What Tango-4, is trying to tell you is that there are personnel coming in along their 10-20, on the fence line mine field, along the 0-51 bunker and gate in front of his post.
- (Security Control)** 10-4.
- (Mobile K-3)** Security Control, Mobile K-3.
- (Security Control)** Control by.
- (Mobile K-3)** Kilo-14, has challenged someone and fired on them, they're moving toward the ditch line. **(0351 hours)**
- (Security Control)** (Voice inside CSC: Kilo-14 ?)
- (Security Control)** 10-4, Alpha-2, from Security Control.
- (Security Control)** Army-1 from Security Control
- (Army-1)** Army 1 by.
- (Security Control)** 10-4, go 10-8, 10-11, CSC, 10-5 for further instructions

- (Hotel QRT)** CSC, Hotel QRT.
- (Security Control)** Control by, Hotel QRT.
- (Hotel QRT)** I'm on the north side of, uh, Republic street, there's no street.
- (Security Control)** Hotel QRT, 10-31 the Main Gate, assist there.
- (Hotel QRT)** 10-4.
- (Security Control)** 10-36.
- (Unknown unit)** ... (Garbled transmission) ... the other side of the taxiway
- (Security Control)** (Voice inside CSC: We've got Army-2 here and Army-1 is coming to CSC.)
- (Security Control)** All units on the east end, friendlies will be firing mortars, in the vicinity of Tango-4, off base. **(0352 hours)**
- (Mobile-56)(Tango-1)** (Tango-1 talks over the top of Mobile-56) *Mobile-56*: Security Control this is I cop ...; *Tango-1* Security Control; *Mobile-56*: would you check with Echo-6 and Tango-4: *Tango-1 to Security Control*, *Mobile-56*: ... through the perimeter fence.
- (Security Control)** 10-5, Tango-1, Mobile-56, you cut out, 10-20.
- (Mobile-56)** 10-4, This unit's at the uh, 0-51, would you check with Echo-6 and Tango-4 to be sure there was no breach of the perimeter fence in their areas.
- (Security Control)** Echo-6, from Security Control.
- (Tango-1)** Tango-1, Security Control.
- (Security Control)** Control by, Tango 1.
- (Tango-1)(Tango-5)** Tango-1, 10-4, ... (Tango-4 talks over Tango-1) ... (Garbled Transmission.) ...Tango
- (Security Control)** 10-5, Tango-4.
- (Security Control)** Tango-1, 10-20.
- (Tango-1)** Tango-1 to Security Control, you have many VC going in the vicinity of the O-51 Bunker ... (Garbled transmission, Tango-4 talks over the top of Tango-1) ... *Tango-4*: Tango 4, Security Control. **(0353 hours)**
- (Security Control)** (Voice within CSC: Okay.) 10-4, Mobile-56 from Security Control.

- (Mobile-56)** -56 by.
- (Security Control)** You copy on Tango-4's transmission?
- (Mobile-56)(Tango-4)** (Mobile-56 speaks and then Tango-4 speaks on top of him.) *Mobile-56:* Negative he's trying ... *Tango-4:* Tango-4 to Security Control. Tell them to blow this house up, right directly in front of my post, along this house, blow it up.
- (Security Control)** Copy, Defense Control?
- (Defense Control)** Defense Control, 10-4.
- (Security Control)** Mobile-56, from Security Control.
- (Mobile-56)** Mobile-56 by.
- (Security Control)** The house, directly in front of Tango-4, he says there's a congregation of VC in that house.
- (Mobile-56)** ... (Garbled Transmission) ... go ahead and listen to Tango-4.
- (Security Control)** 10-4, Tango-4, from Security Control.
- (Echo-37)** Security Control, from Echo-37
- (Security Control)** Control by.
- (Echo-37)** They're completely inside the base, they're all around this position, we're running low on ammo, one man dead & two badly injured. **(0354 hours)**
- (Security Control)** 10-20, your call sign.
- (Echo-37)** Echo-37.
- (Security Control)** Copy, Echo-37 ?
- (Echo-37)** That's 10-4. (Sad to say that this will be the very last transmission from Echo-37, better known as the O-51 Bunker.)
- (Security Control)** (Voice inside CSC: Army-1) Mobile-56 from Security Control.
- (Mobile-56)** -56 by.
- (Security Control)** There has been a breach. uh, Echo-37, they're over-running his post.
- (Mobile-56)** 10-4, I'm uh, we're down here pinned down here at the O-51 gate with their people ... we have to get Razorback ...

- (Security Control)** 10-4, Army-2, from Security Control your 10-9.
- (Army-2)(Unknown Unit)** Army-2, is adjacent to the O-51 Gate ... *Unknown Unit transmits over the top of Army-2* ... we just got into our vehicle, we're enroute to your 10-9.
- (Security Control)** Army-2, from Security Control, I copy you are at the O-51 gate?
- (Army-2)** Just down, from the O-51 gate.
- (RSAT-60)** Security Control, from RSAT-60. **(0355 hours)**
- (Security Control)** 10-20, RSAT.
- (RSAT-60)** RSAT-60, status, with Army-2.
- (Security Control)** 10-4, What is your 10-9?
- (RSAT-60)** Why don't you try, Army-2.
- (Security Control)** (Voice inside CSC: Why don't you try Army-2, to find out where they're at?)
Army-2 from Security control. (Voice inside CSC: Where are they? Come on.)
- (Security Control)** Army-2, from Security Control.
- (Army-2)** Army-2, ...(Garbled transmission.)
- (Security Control)** 10-4, Get down to the O-51 Gate, directly in front of Tango 4. VC are over-running the base.
- (Army-2)** 10-4.
- (Echo QRT)** Security Control, from Echo QRT, we are deployed across the taxiway from Tango-1.
- (Security Control)** I copy you are deployed on Whiskey-8?
- (Echo QRT)** 10-4
- (Security Control)** 10-4
- (Echo-12)** Security Control, from Echo-12. **(0356 hours)**
- (Security Control)** Control by.
- (Echo-12)** Echo QRT, is directly South-West of this post. They are just on Whiskey-7.
- (Security Control)** Echo QRT, from Security Control, you are on Whiskey-7. Go on down further, West to the next taxiway

(Echo QRT) 10-4.

(Tango-1) Tango-1, Security Control, be advised the VC are on base now, are on base.

(Security Control) I copy they are on the base. What is their 10-9.

(Tango-1) They are 50 yards North of O-51 ... you don't have nobody out there firing. You need somebody to cut them off, out there .

(Security Control) (Voice inside CSC: Do we have Army-1 coming around?)

(Security Control) (Voice inside CSC: Army-1's just coming on now.)

(Charlie-14) Security Control, Charlie-14.

(Security Control) (Voice inside CSC: He's just coming on now)

(Security Control) Control by, Army 14

(Charlie-14) We've spotted about 20 individuals, I don't know ... (Garbled transmission.) ... We can't tell if they are Vietnamese or American personnel. They're going are going underneath an aircraft.

(Security Control) (Voice inside CSC: Right out front Charlie-14)

(Security Control) 10-4, Army-1, from security control.

(Army-1) Army-1 by. **(0357 hours)**

(Security Control) Army-1, from Security Control, your 10-9

(Army-1) (Garbled transmission.)

(Security Control) 10-4, expedite to CSC.

(Army-1) 10-4.

(Tango-19) Security Control, Tango-19.

(Security Control) Control by, Tango-19.

(Tango-19) (Garbled transmission.) ... firing down from me, half mile down the road.

(Security Control) 10-4, 10-36.

(Security Control) (Voice inside CSC: Who you got down here?)

(Kilo-4) Security Control, Kilo-4.

- (Security Control)** Control by.
- (Kilo-4)** Tell Kilo-26, -27 to get in their bunker.
- (Security Control)** Kilo-26, -27 get in your bunker.
- (Kilo-27)** Kilo-27 copy.
- (Alpha special post-2)** Security Control, from Alpha Special post-2.
- (Security Control)** Control by.
- (Alpha special post-2)** Notify that QRT team that are about fifteen feet behind this post, that I am up here. They are in the ditch.
- (Security Control)** 10-4, this is Alpha QRT? **(0358 hours)**
- (Tango-1)** Tango-1, to security control, mortars rounds are starting to impound on post again.
- (Security Control)** 10-4, 10-36.
- (Kilo-26)** Kilo-26.
- (Security Control)** Army-2, from Security Control.
- (Army-2)** Army-2.
- (Kilo-26)** Kilo-26.
- (Security Control)** Army-2, from Security Control.
- (Army-2)** Army-2.
- (Security Control)** 10-32.
- (Army-2)** We can not move.
- (Security Control)** What is your 10-9, now?
- (Army-2)** By RSAT.
- (Security Control)** (CSC in a louder voice: 10-4, I don't know where the RSAT is. What is your 10-9, in relationship to the O-51 Gate?)
- (Army-2)** We are directly down from this tower, next to, the bunker tower ... (Garbled transmission.)

- (Tango-4) (Spoken in an excited voice.) Tango-4, to Security Control.
- (Security Control) Control by.
- (Tango-4) Right in front of my post, they're amassing an assault, we need help out here.
(0359 hours)
- (Security Control) (Voice within CSC: Charlie-4? No, Tango-4. They're about to mount an assault. Army-2, ... CSC was then cut out.)
- (Echo QRT) Security Control, Echo QRT.
- (Security Control) Control by.
- (Echo QRT) Which way do you want me to move, left or right?
- (Security Control) 10-4, you are down to the taxi-way at this time, correct?
- (Echo QRT) Directly across from Echo-9, connex.
- (Security Control) (Voice within CSC: Listen to me, directly across from Echo-9.)
- (Security Control) 10-4, move on down the taxi-way, to the end of the taxi-way, deploy, facing West, and advance.
- (Security Control) (Voice inside CSC: How many men do you have down there?)
- (Echo QRT) 10-4.
- (Security Control) (Voice inside CSC: Do we have anybody down here, reserve RSAT? RSAT, well RSAT is with Army-2 and he says he is up here. Cough, Cough. Have we got radio contact?)
- (Security Control) Security Control, Mobile-56.
- (Unknown unit) (Garbled transmission.)
- (Security Control) Control by.
- (Unknown unit) Do we have penetration?
- (Security Control) 10-20, your call sign.
- (Unknown unit) (Garbled transmission.) ... QRT.
- (Tango-12) Security Control, Tango-12. **(0400 hours)**
- (Security Control) Control by.

(Tango-12)(Charlie QRT) (Tango-12 and Charlie QRT both transmits.) *(Tango-12)* Echo QRT ... Echo QRT ... *(Charlie QRT)* Charlie QRT is in position.

(Security Control) 10-4, Charlie QRT.

(Security Control) Mobile-56, from Security Control.

(Unknown unit) If they do, they are directly in front of fire from this machine gun bunker.

(Mobile-56) Mobile-56 by.

(Security Control) 10-4, could you give us any information, I can not get any?

(Mobile-56)(Security Control) (Garbled transmission: Mobile-56 is on the radio and CSC is talking loud.) 10-4, have the Echo QRT come up to the end of the taxi-way and deploy.

(Echo QRT) Echo QRT, copy, Security Control.

(Security Control) 10-4, you are going straight on down the high-speed taxi-way toward O-51, correct?

(Echo QRT) 10-4, we copy.

(Security Control) 10-4, 10-36.

(Hotel QRT) Security Control, Hotel QRT.

(Mobile-56) Security Control, Mobile-56.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Unknown unit)(Mobile-56) (Garbled transmission) *(Unknown unit: ... (Mobile-56:) ...* just West of Tango-4. Right by the Vietnamese bunker. **(0401 hours)**

(Delta QRT) Security Control, Delta QRT, they are coming down the C-47 taxi-way. About five, request use of slap-flares.

(Security Control) 10-4, deploy and hold them off.

(Security Control) Mobile-56, from Security Control, 10-20.

(Mobile-56) Mobile-56 by.

(Security Control) 10-4, 10-20, you were cut out, we have no information.

(Mobile-56) 10-4, Breech has occurred, South of Tango-4, this unit has deployed North of Tango-4, tell them to hold their fire. We need those Razorbacks back in on those

buildings. Those VC are still coming from those buildings.

- (Tango-1)** Tango-1, to Security Control Echo Sector and Delta Sector are firing.
- (Security Control)** 10-4.
- (Security Control)** Defense Control, from Security Control, get the Razorbacks down there please.
- (Tango-4)(Security Control)** (Garbled transmission) (Tango-4:) ... (Security Control:) Security Control, that's 10-4. (Tango-4:) ... hit that bunker. **(0402 hours)**
- (Security Control)** Tango-4, 10-20.
- (Tango-4)** Vietnamese are in the Vietnamese bunker at the bottom of my tower, if you hit that tower you will wipe them out, hit that bunker I mean.
- (Security Control)** (Voice inside CSC: Tell them that we are throwing everything that we can at them.)
- (Delta QRT)** Security Control, Delta QRT, can you ascertain if any personnel working in the Navy, working in that area?
- (Security Control)** (Voice inside CSC: 10-5 the O-51 Gate, that ARVN Bunker? Yeah.)
- (Tango-4)** They're climbing on top of everything
- (Delta-1)(Tango-4)(Security Control)(Mobile-56)** (Mass of garbled transmissions.)
- (Security Control)** Security Control, to all units except for 5, -56, 10-5. Go ahead -56.
(0403 hours)
- (Mobile-56)** 10-4, have Razorback come into Tango-4. To the immediate South of Tango-4, (mass of radio transmission come in at the same time.) Request assistance, do you copy my transmission, Control?
- (Security Control)** I copy, just South of Tango-4.
- (Mobile-56)** That's 10-4. In the direction of Echo-6, it's the Vietnamese bunker next to it.
- (Security Control)** (Voice inside CSC: Okay, tell them to throw all available fire teams available into that 10-9, as a harassment technique.)
- (Unknown unit)** You copy Control?
- (Security Control)** 10-4, throw all fire that you can into that 10-9, uh, until we get Razorback, uh, on top.
- (Unknown unit)** 10-4, we're deployed.
- (Security Control)** 10-4.

(Security Control) Echo QRT, from Security Control. **(0404 hours)**

(Echo QRT) Echo QRT by.

(Security Control) Your status?

(Tango-4) Tango-4 to ???.

(Unknown) (Garbled transmission.)

(Unknown) (Garbled transmission.)

(Security Control)(Warrior) 10-20 your call sign. (Major Bender on the phone: This is Major Bender, have we tried to get the Razorbacks back on those buildings, down there South of Tango-4?)

(Tango-4) Security Control, Tango-4. **(0405 hours)**

(Security Control) Control by.

(Tango-1)(Numerous unknown)(Delta-5) (Tango-1:) VC are coming on post ... (Unknown unit:) More VC are coming on post ... more are coming in.

(Security Control)(Warrior) 10-4. Army-1, to Security Control. (Warrior is inside CSC: They're in the Bunker, just South of Tango-4, and they're in that building just North of the O-51 Gate. Tango-4 says that they are coming out of there, that we've got to destroy it.

(Echo QRT) Garbled transmission.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Echo QRT) 10-4, make sure that Echo-9, knows the situation and knows where we are at.

(Kilo-19) Kilo-19.

(Security Control) Echo-9. (Voice inside CSC: I'll tell you what, I know we're under ground attack, all over the place.)

(Security Control) Echo-QRT, from Security Control, are you at the end of the runway on the West end?

(Echo QRT) 10-25.

(Security Control) 10-4, go right down the high-speed taxi-way, headed West, get down there by the O-51 Gate and help these people.

(Echo QRT) 10-4.

(Tango-4) Tango-4, Security Control.

(Security Control) Control by, Tango-4.

(Tango-4) If you blasted those houses, right in front of me and the bunkers directly to the left of me, The enemy have been coming out of there for twenty minutes. They're still coming from there! Blow it up!

(Security Control) 10-4, copy, Defense Control?

(Defense Control) Defense Control, 10-4.

(Tango-2) Security Control from Tango-2, get some flares up in the air. I'm with Charlie-2, shots fired.

(Delta-5) Security Control, Delta-5.

(Security Control) Control by, Delta-5.

(Tango-2) Security Control, from Tango-2. Get some flares up in the air over this tower, it's where they're coming in. **(0406 hours)**

(Security Control) Echo-2, from Security Control.

(Tango-2) Tango-2 by.

(Security Control) Echo-2, from Security Control.

(Unknown unit) Security Control, this is Charlie Sector.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Numerous units) (Garbled transmissions.)

(Security Control) 10-20, Mobile-56.

(Mobile-56) 10-4, bring the Razorbacks back into the O-51 Gate ...(Garbled transmission.) ... and assault that Vietnamese bunker to the immediate South, of Tango-4.

(Security Control) Copy, Defense Control?

(Defense Control) Defense Control, 10-25, he was coming in very garbled, 10-20.

(Security Control) (Voice inside CSC: You're not going to get ...)

(Echo QRT) Security Control, Echo QRT, we are receiving fire. Behind us. Will you stop them?

- (Security Control)** 10-20, your call sign.
- (Echo QRT)** Echo QRT. **(0407 hours)**
- (Security Control)** Echo-12 Alpha, from Security Control.
- (Echo-12-Alpha)** Echo-12 Alpha, copy, this unit has not started firing yet, we do not have any, unfriendly forces.
- (Security Control)** 10-4, Security Control to any unit, any unit, to the, East portion of Echo Sector, please identify yourself.
- (Delta QRT)** Security Control, Delta QRT, we are along the taxiway, on the side of Delta-13.
- (Unknown unit)** (Garbled transmission)
- (Security Control)** (Voice inside CSC: The O-51 Gate, they're all in their bunker. Yeah.)
- (Tango-4)** Tango-4, is that the one with the transformer on top of it, or next to it?
- (Delta-7)** Security Control, Delta-7.
- (Security Control)** Control by, Delta-7.
- (Delta-7)** Be advised, I have personnel out here in the VNAF C-47 area. They seem to be putting something under the planes, and running back into the bushes whenever there's a flat. **(0408 hours)**
- (Delta-5)** Security Control, Delta-5, that's, uh, U.S. troops, in the C-47 Area by the connex.
- (Security Control)** 10-4.
- (Delta-5)** Be advised this is the Vietnamese, C-47 area.
- (Delta QRT)** How far down?
- (Delta-5)** About two aircraft down.
- (Delta QRT)** Delta QRT, how far down?
- (Unknown unit)** (Garbled transmission.)
- (Security Control)** Control by, last calling unit.
- (Delta QRT)** Security Control, from Delta QRT, how far down, are the C-47 from his position?
- (Delta-5)** (Garbled transmission.) ... about two aircraft down.

- (Security Control)** That doesn't make any difference Delta QRT, just go to that area and check them out. Quit transmitting direct to each other.
- (Delta QRT)** Delta QRT, to CSC, we have an individual who we can't identify, we can't have them down there yet. **(0409 hours)**
- (Security Control)** (Voice inside CSC: Tell them to go down there, in a flash.) Delta QRT from Security Control, go down there and identify these people.
- (Delta QRT)** 10-4.
- (Security Control)** Army-2, from Security Control. What is your status?
- (Army-2)** (Garbled transmission.) ... we are attempting to move on foot on the runway.
- (Security Control)** 10-4, 10-36.
- (Tango-1)** (Garbled transmission.)
- (Security Control)** Tango-1, your message.
- (Tango-1)** Tango-1, to Security Control.
- (Security Control)** Control by, Tango-1.
- (Tango-1)** (Garbled transmission.)
- (Security Control)** Echo QRT, from Security Control.
- (Echo QRT)** Approximately sixty yards from the high speed taxi-way. **(0410 hours)**
- (Security Control)** 10-4, head direct, deploy, head direct toward Tango-4.
- (Unknown unit)** Security Control, (Garbled transmission.)
- (Security Control)** Control by.
- Task Force 35:** Army-1, consisted of thirty US Army personnel.
Army-2, consisted of thirty US Army personnel.
Army-3, consisted of thirty US Army personnel.
- (Unknown unit)** (Garbled transmission.)
- (Mobile-56)** Security Control, Mobile-56.
- (Security Control)** Control by, Mobile-56.
- (Mobile-56)** 10-4, Bring the Razorbacks back into the O-51 Gate and have them work the area

against the fence.

- (Warrior)** Mobile-56, this is Warrior at CSC. The 53rd Regional Forces are, behind the VC, by the O-51 Gate. The Razorbacks can not identify friendly and enemy forces. We are going to have to throw all the fire we have into those bunkers and hold them. The Razorbacks will not come in at this time. **(0411 hours)**
- (Mobile-56)** 10-4, this unit is deployed, North of the O-51 Gate, I need information as to who is on the South side.
- (Security Control)** 10-4, Mobile-56, Army-2, should be on the South side of the O-51 Gate.
- (Mobile-56)** 10-4, check with Tango-4 and see if those individuals ever reached his unit.
- (Security Control)** Tango-4, from Security Control.
- (Tango-4)** Tango-4, to Security Control, that's a negative.
- (Security Control)** Tango-4, from Security Control. (Voice inside CSC: They're right in this pocket as far as we can tell.)
- (Army-1)** Security Control, Army-1.
- (Security Control)** Control by, Army-1.
- (Army-1)** Uh, (Garbled transmission) ... we are going to move on down there, check on that activity, we are going to start-up a line formation, move on to another position, across the taxi-way. **(0412 hours)**
- (Security Control)** (Voice inside CSC: Who was that? Army-1.) 10-4, you are on a high-speed taxiway, move all the way down, that will be the last taxiway, that will be the curve in the runway, deploy your troops there.
- (Delta Bunker-5)** Security Control, from Delta Bunker-5.
- (Echo QRT)** Security Control, Echo QRT, there is activity out here, at this time.
- (Golf QRT)** Security Control, Golf QRT.
- (Security Control)** Control by, Golf QRT.
- (Mobile-56)** (Garbled transmission.) ... Mobile-5.
- (Golf QRT)** 10-4, we are deployed, East of the ... (Garbled transmission.)
- (Delta QRT)** Security Control, Delta QRT, we are moving down very slowly, to about where the aircraft is, down from Delta-13.

- (Security Control)** 10-4, 10-36.
- (Security Control)** Security Control, Delta-5, be advised, we have personnel on Delta-13, by the connex, between the C-47's.
- (Security Control)** 10-4, Delta QRT is sweeping the area.
- (Echo-12)** Security Control, from Echo-12.
- (Security Control)** Control by.
- (Echo-12)** Any possibility of flares, out over the East perimeter, we are showing a large number of personnel here and we can't identify them. **(0413 hours)**
- (Security Control)** Kilo-1, from Security Control.
- (Security Control)** Echo-12, from Security Control.
- (Echo-12)** Echo-12.
- (Security Control)** 10-4, you have Task Force-35 unit in front of you, also Echo QRT in front of you. (Voice inside CSC: We have two reserve QRT's coming down the side of ... (Garbled transmission.)
- (Echo-12)** That's 10-4, but they are on the other side of the ditch, at this time.
- (Security Control)** 10-4, can you see them?
- (Numerous transmissions)** (Garbled transmissions.)
- (Echo QRT)** Security Control, Echo QRT.
- (Security Control)** Control by.
- (Echo QRT)** We have reached the end of the high-speed taxiway, 10-32.
- (Security Control)** That's 10-4, deploy yourself there, Army-1 is enroute. Deploy together, and move slowly, toward the O-51 Gate. **(0414 hours)**
- (Echo QRT)** 10-4.
- (Security Control)** Copy Army-1?
- (Security Control)** Army-1, to Security Control.
- (Security Control)** 10-25, Army-1, to Security Control.
- (Army-2)** Army-2, to Security Control.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Army-2) I see a group of people moving East, toward Tango-4. As long as there's no flare support here, I cannot distinguish if it's Charlie or Army-1.

(Security Control) 10-4, do you have any flares?

(Army-1) Negative.

(Security Control) RSAT, from Security Control.

(RSAT) RSAT by.

(Security Control) 10-4, can you illuminate the area?

(RSAT) RSAT, to Control, you going to have to repeat that. **(0415 hours)**

(Security Control) I copy it is, being done.

(RSAT) Negative.

(Security Control) You copy Army-2?

(Security Control) (Voice inside CSC: Where's, uh, Lt Grover?)

(Security Control) Mobile-51, from Security Control.

(Mobile-51) Mobile-51 by.

(Security Control) 10-9.

(Mobile-51) Mobile-51, by the O-51 Gate.

(Security Control) 10-4, 10-36.

(Delta-36) Security Control, Delta-36.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Delta-36) We have a fire across, from Delta Post-39, we're going to have to wait for the breeze, from the taxiway, here.

(Army-2) Security Control, Army-1.

(Security Control) Control by, Army-1.

(Army-1) We have machine-gun fire coming from ... (Garbled transmission.) ... we are unable

to tell what they are firing at.

- (Security Control)** 10-4, you are at the end of the, high-speed taxiway now? **(0416 hours)**
- (Security Control)** Army-1, from Security Control.
- (Security Control)** (Voice inside CSC: They said, that they are firing at them?)
- (Echo QRT)** Security Control, Echo QRT.
- (Security Control)** Control by.
- (Echo QRT)** I am seeing individuals on the end of the high-speed taxiway.
- (Security Control)** Echo QRT, from Security Control, 10-20.
- (Echo QRT)** I am seeing individuals, coming on the high-speed taxiway, from the outer perimeter fence.
- (Security Control)** 10-4, can you intercept?
- (Echo QRT)** 10-4.
- (Security Control)** 10-4.
- (Security Control)** (Voice inside CSC: Ask Mobile-56 if they observe direction of any fire to the O-56 Bunker?)
- (Security Control)** Mobile-56, to Security Control.
- (Mobile-56)** 56 by.
- (Security Control)** Is anybody directing fire, to the, Bunker? **(0417 hours)**
- (Mobile-56)** ... (Garbled transmission.) ... friendly troop firing toward the O-55 Gate.
- (Unknown unit)** 10-4, what's your 10-9?
- (Security Control)** Army-2, from Security Control.
- (Security Control)** Army-2, from Security Control.
- (Unknown unit)** (Garbled transmission.)
- (Security Control)** Army-2, from Security Control.
- (Security Control)** Mobile-56, from Security Control.

(Mobile-56) -56 by.

(Security Control) Army-2, is to your South, near Tango-4, is this where the firing is coming from?

(Mobile-56) 10-4, the only firing out here is toward the O-55 Gate.

(Mobile-56) Security Control, Mobile-56. **(0418 hours)**

(Security Control) Control by.

(Delta Bunker-53) Be advised we are receiving automatic weapons fire from the vicinity of Delta Post-13, we have one man hit.

(Security Control) Delta-13, from Security Control.

(Unknown unit) They are firing at us.

(Security Control) 10-20?

(Delta Bunker-53) Delta-13, is firing at us.

(Security Control) I copy the firing is coming from Delta-3? (Voice inside CSC: 13.) Correction. Delta-13.

(Security Control) Delta-13, from Security Control.

(Unknown Unit) (Garbled transmission.) ... on the high-speed taxiway, heading East.

(Delta QRT) Security Control, Delta QRT, that was reported East, I am deploying here and returning fire.

(Security Control) 10-4, 10-36. **(0419 hours)**

(Tango-1) Tango-1, to Security Control.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Tango-1) (Garbled transmission.) ... the VC have over-run Echo Sector.

(Security Control) 10-20, last calling unit.

(Tango-1) Tango-1.

(Security Control) (Voice inside CSC: Are you locked and loaded?) Tango-1, from Security Control. I copy the VC are headed, where are they at?

(Tango-1) In that bunker, directly West of ... (Garbled transmission.) ... They are engaging Echo RSAT.

(Security Control) That's 10-4.

(Security Control) Echo QRT, from Security Control.

(Echo QRT) Echo QRT by.

(Security Control) 10-32.

(Echo QRT) I am seeing no contact at this time.

(Security Control) 10-4, Tango-1, states that they are, moving towards you.

(Echo QRT) 10-4, I observe ... (Garbled transmission.) **(0420 hours)**

(Security Control) 10-4.

(Security Control) Army-2, from Security Control.

(Army-2) Army-2 by.

(Security Control) If you can move yourself into a position where you will be firing direct, West, without firing North, you have friendlies to your North.

(Army-2) 10-4.

(Numerous Units) (Garbled transmissions.)

(Security Control) Security Control, to all units, Warrior is enroute down the high-speed taxiway to the West, advise all units.

(Tango-1) Tango-1, to Security Control.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Tango-1) Tell the Echo QRT to fire lower. They're laying right below their fire. **(0421 hours)**

(Security Control) 10-4, is this Echo QRT, on the Whiskey, near Whiskey-8.

(Tango-1) That's 10-4, the VC are just on the other side of the high-speed taxiway, they are firing over our heads, over.

(Security Control) Echo QRT, from Security Control.

(Echo QRT) 10-4, I copy.

(Security Control) 10-4, 10-36.

(Security Control) (Voice inside CSC: All right folks, give them hell. ... (Garbled transmission.) ... Have you got the door locked?)

(Alpha RSAT) Alpha RSAT, to CSC.

(Security Control) Control by, Alpha RSAT.

(Alpha RSAT) Alpha RSAT, is near Echo-3, tell us, sort of where they're at.

(Security Control) 10-20, your 10-9.

(Alpha RSAT) Echo-3.

(Security Control) This is Alpha RSAT?

(Alpha RSAT) Affirmative.

(Security Control) That's 10-4, deploy yourself from your present position, going North, deploy your men, hold fast, hold your fire. **(0422 hours)**

(Alpha RSAT) 10-4.

(Security Control) 10-36.

(Unknown unit) Go ahead 15.

(Tango-1) Tango-1, to Security Control.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Tango-1) (Garbled transmission) ... Tell RSAT, the VC are moving into the ditches ... (Garbled transmission.)

(Security Control) Echo QRT, from Security Control.

(Echo QRT) This is Echo QRT by.

(Security Control) The VC are moving around you, in a ditch to your left.

(Echo QRT) I copy, in a ditch to my left.

(Security Control) 10-4.

(Echo QRT) 10-4.

(Security Control) Alpha RSAT, from Security Control.

(Unknown unit) Have you been able to contact Tango-4 yet?

(Security Control) 10-20.

(Unknown unit) Have you been able to contact Tango-4 yet?

(Security Control) Negative. **(0423 hours)**

(Unknown unit) (Garbled transmission.)

(Delta QRT) Security Control, to Delta QRT.

(Tango-12) (Garbled transmission.)

(Security Control) Tango-12, to Security Control.

(Echo-12) Security Control, to Echo-12, uh, we have a tank contact at Tango-9, firing at this time.

(Security Control) 10-4. Tango-1, from Security Control, that's Tango-12?

(Tango-4) Tango-4.

(Security Control) Tango-4, from Security Control.

(Tango-4) Tango-1, Tango-4.

(Security Control) (Voice inside CSC: They just dropped off two, where are they coming from, here?)

(Tango-4) Tango-1, Tango-4.

(Echo-4) (Garbled transmission.)

(Tango-2) Security Control, from Tango-2.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Tango-2) 10-4, the VC, are right next to the high-speed taxiway, just to the left of them, the Echo QRT, they are a little bit in front of them, coming, to the East, onto the base.
(0424 hours)

(Security Control) That's 10-4. Alpha RSAT, from Security Control.

(Security Control) Correction, Alpha QRT, from Security Control.

(Alpha QRT) (Garbled transmission.)

(Security Control) 10-4, 10-36.

(Warrior) Security Control, Warrior.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Warrior) There's too much enemy fire to move up and counterattack at this time. Need ammo resupply immediately for Echo QRT and have the people standing by outside CSC to start picking up additional flares, as soon as they have transportation, move them down to Whiskey-7, for immediate deployment in case of a breakthrough, past Echo QRT and Task Force 35 prevent a break-through if not, on the flight line.

(Security Control) 10-4.

(Tango-1) Tango-1, to Security Control.

(Security Control) 10-20, Tango-1.

(Tango-1) ... the VC are right in there.

(Security Control) Do you copy, Defense Control?

(Defense Control) Defense Control, 10-4. **(0425 hours)**

(Security Control) 10-4, 10-36.

(Delta QRT) Security Control, Delta QRT, requesting a box of flares, (Garbled transmission.) ... up between Delta-13 and Delta-12.

(Security Control) 10-4, your call sign.

(Delta QRT) Delta QRT.

(Unknown Units) (Garbled transmissions.)

(Delta-13) Delta-13, to Security Control.

(Security Control) Control by, Delta-13.

(Delta-13) 10-4, we are behind the connex bunker, between 12 and 13, we are deploying around the connex.

(Warrior) Security Control, Warrior.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Warrior) Security Control, Warrior. **(0426 hours)**

(Security Control) Control by, Warrior.

- (Warrior)** Please advise, all units to stop using, Left and Right, start using all references of North and South, East or West. In relationship, to all known points such as the O-51 Gate, or Whiskey-8, on the high-speed taxiway.
- (Security Control)** (Voice inside CSC: Copy that too. Negative. Warrior wants them to start using directions. Not right, left. North, South.)
- (Security Control)** 10-4, Army-2, from Security Control. (Voice inside CSC: What do you make of it?) (Voice inside CSC: he is deployed down here near Whiskey-7, ... Garbled talking.)
- (Security Control)** Security Control, to all units, on the West End, request that you direct your fire at a specific point, rather than spraying the area.
- (Security Control)** (Voice inside CSC, is garbled.) ... We got to get them up. Hey, Jim. What? They requested that whoever is deployed out here, move West. They said that the friendlies that they have in front of them, is firing into them. **(0427 hours)**
- (Delta QRT)** Security Control, Delta QRT.
- (Security Control)** Control by.
- (Delta QRT)** We have a dead body, between Delta-12 and Delta-13, we don't know who he is, if he is still alive, we have received notification from personnel near that bunker.
- (Delta-13)** Security Control, Delta-13.
- (Security Control)** Control by, Delta-13.
- (Delta-13)** 10-4, we have a man, an injured man down, on Republic Blvd.
- (Army-1)** Security Control, Army-1.
- (Security Control)** Control by, Army-1.
- (Army-1)** (Garbled transmission.)
- (Tango-1)** Tango-1, to Security Control.
- (Security Control)** Control by, Tango-1.
- (Tango-1)** (Garbled transmission.) ... down perimeter road, get the Echo QRT to go straight down, to the O-51 Bunker, where the VC are, over.
- (Security Control)** We're working. Do you copy Defense Control?
- (Defense Control)** Defense Control, 10-4. **(0428 hours)**

- (Security Control)** (Voice inside CSC: Hey, Jim. What? Whoever is in this area here, probably ... (Garbled voice.)
- (Security Control)** Control by, last calling QRT.
- (Delta QRT)** This is Delta QRT, uh, is there any possibility, that we can identifying the individual, lying on the ramp, between Delta-12 and Delta-13, by the connex? We don't know who he is, nor can we identify him.
- (Delta-13)** Delta-13, to Security Control.
- (Security Control)** Control by.
- (Delta-13)** The man that area, is in that area is a GI, Security Police ... (Garbled transmission.)
- (Mobile-56)** Delta QRT do you copy?
- (Security Control)** 10-4, Delta QRT. 10-5. Mobile-56, your message?
- (Mobile-56)** 10-4, can we bring the QRT from the North end, down the West perimeter road to the O-51 Gate, to block the ... (Garbled transmission.) **(0429 hours)**
- (Security Control)** 10-4, Charlie QRT, from Security Control.
- (Security Control)** Mobile-56, to Security Control.
- (Mobile-56)** Mobile-56 by.
- (Security Control)** 10-4, there is a team, enroute, with flares, coming down the high-speed taxiway. They will, uh, can't find, Whiskey-7.
- (Mobile-56)** 10-4, this unit is going to deploy ... (Garbled transmission.)
- (Security Control)** 10-4, 10-36.
- (Unknown Unit)** (Garbled transmission.)
- (Security Control)** Control by.
- (Unknown Unit)** (Garbled transmission.)
- (Security Control)** Copy, Defense Control?
- (Defense Control)** Defense Control, 10-4, O-51 Gate.
- (Security Control)** 10-4.
- (Unknown Unit)** (Garbled transmission.) **(0430 hours)**

(Security Control) 10-4, Delta QRT, from Security Control.

(Delta QRT) (Garbled transmission.)

(Security Control) 10-4, -51-Alpha, is enroute.

(Echo QRT) Echo QRT, to Security Control.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Echo QRT) 10-4, The people on the perimeter, are running low on ammo, on the whole MLR.

(Security Control) 10-4, Use it conservatively.

(Echo QRT) That's 10-4.

(Warrior) Security Control, Warrior.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Warrior) (Garbled transmission)

(Security Control) Charlie-2, from Security Control.

(Mobile-56) Security Control, Mobile-56.

(Security Control) Control by. **(0431 hours)**

(Mobile-56) This unit crossed the ditch line, along Whiskey-8, ... (Garbled transmission.)

(Security Control) 10-4, Are you on the North side now?

(Mobile-56) This unit just crossed, onto the West side.

(Security Control) That's 10-4, the North side of Whiskey-8 is clear. (CD #1 ends)

(Tango-19)(Unknown Unit) Tango-19, to Security Control. .. (Unknown unit breaks in, garbled transmission.)

(Security Control) That's 10-4, we've got Echo QRT, in that area.

(Unknown Unit) To what side?

(Security Control) He's on the South side, of Whiskey-8.

(Unknown Unit) 10-4.

(Security Control) 10-36.

(Tango-1) Tango-1, to Security Control.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Tango-1) (Garbled transmission.)

(Mobile K-1) Security Control, Mobile K-1. **(0432 hours)**

(Security Control) Control by.

(Mobile K-1) We have two men down by Utah ditch.

(Security Control) 10-4, what ditch is this, Mobile K-1?

(Mobile K-1) 10-20.

(Security Control) I copy that you have two men, down by the ditch.

(Mobile K-1) 10-4, ... (Garbled transmission.)

(Tango-19) Security Control, Tango-19.

(Delta QRT) Security Control, Delta QRT. He's in a hurry, between Delta-13 and Delta-12, down in a ditch.

(Security Control) 10-20, Your call sign.

(Delta QRT) Security Control, this is Delta QRT.

(Security Control) Control by, Alpha QRT.

(Security Control) Alert NCO, from Security Control. **(0433 hours)**

(Numerous Units) (Garbled transmissions.)

(Security Control) Control by, Golf QRT.

(Golf QRT) I'm down by Alpha-8.

(Army-2) Army-2, to Security Control.

(Security Control) Control by, Army-2.

(Army-2)(Unknown Units) (Garbled transmissions.)

(Security Control) Security Control, to all units, 10-5, Army-2, your message.

(Army-2) Army-2, to Security Control. There is a M-60 machine gun firing in the direction of the O-51 Gate, next to the high-speed taxiway, ... (Garbled transmission.)
(0434 hours)

(Security Control) Security Control, to all units, 10-5, Army-2, your message.

(Army-2) Army-2, to Security Control. There is an M-60 gun, in the direction of the O-51 Gate, on the high-speed taxiway. ... (Garbled transmission.)

(Security Control) 10-4.

(Echo QRT) Security Control, Echo QRT, we copy.

(Security Control) 10-4, 10-36.

(Unknown Unit) (Garbled transmission.)

(Security Control) Control by.

(Unknown Unit) (Garbled transmission.)

(Mobile-56) Security Control, this is -56.

(Security Control) 10-4, Security Control, Mobile-56.

(Numerous Units) (Garbled transmission.)

(Security Control) 10-20, last calling unit.

(Mobile-56) Security Control, Mobile-56, we are down next to O-3, ... (Garbled transmission.)

(Security Control) 10-4, 10-36.

(Tango-19) Security Control, Tango-19.

(Security Control) Control by, Tango-19. **(0435 hours)**

(Tango-19) (Garbled transmission.)

(Security Control) 10-4, Tango-1, copy transmission?

(Warrior) Security Control, Warrior.

(Security Control) Control by, Warrior.

(Warrior) (Garbled transmission.)

(Security Control) 10-4, Mobile-56, Security Control.

(Mobile-56) Mobile-56, by. We copy direct transmission. We are with the troops who are trying to go South.

(Numerous Units) (Garbled transmission.) **(0436 hours)**

(Security Control) Control by.

(Unknown Unit) Give me the direction, of Echo QRT.

(Security Control) 10-4, they should be, just West of, Whiskey-8, facing the O-51 Gate.

(Unknown Unit) 10-4.

(Delta QRT) Security Control, Delta QRT.

(Security Control) Control by, Delta QRT.

(Delta QRT) We need an ambulance, half way down between Delta-30 and Delta-12. A man has a head injury, and he is bleeding pretty badly. One of our own troops.

(Security Control) 10-4. 10-36.

(Echo-12) Security Control, from Echo-12.

(Security Control) Control by, Echo-12.

(Echo-12) (Garbled transmission.)

(Security Control) Echo Sector post, from Security Control.

(Unknown Unit) 10-4, we are deployed East ... (Garbled transmission.)

(Security Control) 10-4. **(0437 hours)**

(Security Control) Warrior, from Security Control.

(Warrior) Warrior, go ahead.

(Security Control) 10-4, JDOC reports that ARVN Forces are approaching from the North, heading South, on the, inside of the perimeter fence, they are going to attempt to set up a mortar, for these attacks.

(Warrior) 10-4, I copy.

(Alpha Special Post-1) Security Control, this is Alpha Special Post-1.

(Security Control) Control by, Alpha Special Post-1.

(Tango-5) Uh, this is Tango-5, be advised the Vietnamese just North of Tango-7, about one hundred yards South of Alpha Special Post-2, running North.

(Echo QRT) Security Control, Echo QRT.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Echo QRT) (In a high pitched voice:) We need some ammo.

(Security Control) Enroute.

(Echo QRT) 10-4.

(Warrior) Echo QRT, this is Warrior. I'm about two, three hundred yards right behind you. I'm moving up with Army Platoon-2. We have M-60 ammo. **(0438 hours)**

(Security Control) Warrior, from Security Control.

(Warrior) Warrior by.

(Security Control) 10-4, There is a SAT Team coming down the high-speed taxiway, in your direction, with ammo.

(Warrior) 10-4, Thank you.

(Mobile-56) Control, this is -56, I'm coming down the high-speed taxiway, on the North side.

(Tango-9) I copy, you are coming down the high-speed taxiway?

(Mobile-56) 10-4, Have the troops sweep that whole area.

(Unknown Unit) (Garbled transmission.)

(Echo QRT)(Delta QRT) Security Control, Echo QRT. Security Control, Delta QRT.

(Security Control) Control by, Delta QRT.

(Warrior) Security Control, Warrior.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Warrior) (Garbled transmission.) ... on Tango-2, we need to get an injured man out, take ammo in ... **(0439 hours)**

(Security Control) 10-4, the dispensary has been contacted and they state, they can not send anybody until this is over with.

(Security Control) Copy control, Defense Control?

(Charlie-2) Security Control, Charlie-2.

(Security Control) Charlie-2.

(Charlie-2) (No transmission.)

(Kilo-5) Security Control, Kilo-5.

(Security Control) Control by, Kilo-5.

(Kilo-5) Try and contact Kilo-4 and give me, his location?

(Security Control) Kilo-4, from Security Control. **(0440 hours)**

(Kilo-4) Kilo-4, copy, I'm in my bunker, right now.

(Security Control) He's in his bunker, Kilo-5.

(Kilo-5) 10-4.

(Security Control) (Voice inside CSC: I tell you what. Start firing here, right ... Tango-1 from Base Police ... you've got Hotel, uh, in Foxtrot.)

(Echo QRT) (Excited voice) Security Control, Echo QRT have Army-1, to hold their fire, two of em.

(Security Control) Army-1, from Security Control, hold your fire.

(Mobile-56) Security Control, this is -56, there's nobody firing from here.

(Security Control) Army-2, from Security Control. (Voice inside CSC: Who? Where? Warrior. Warrior. Go on down here by Army.)

(Security Control) Army-2, from Security Control.

(Army-2) Army-2, go ahead.

(Security Control) 10-4, hold your fire.

(Army-2) 10-4.

(Army-3) Security Control, Army-3.

(Security Control) Control by, last calling unit.

(Army-3) This is Army-3, ... (Garbled transmission.) **(0441 hours)**

(Security Control) (Garbled transmission.)

(Echo QRT)(Mobile-56) Security Control, Echo QRT. Security Control, Mobile-56.

(Security Control) Control by, Mobile-56.

(Mobile-56) Have Tango-3, ... (Garbled transmission.)

(Security Control) -56, 10-20, you were cut out.

(Mobile-56) 10-4, have Tango-3, 10-37, any activity in their area? On the South side of the high-speed taxiway.

(Security Control) Tango-3, to Security Control.

(Tango-3) Tango-3, negative.

(Security Control) 10-32, 10-18, information South of the high-speed taxiway.

(Tango-3) (Garbled transmission.)

(Security Control) Copy, -56.

(Mobile-56) Good 10-4.

(Tango-3) The VC are firing straight across, directly North.

(Security Control) 10-25, except for Tango-3. Tango-3, states the VC are withdrawing, West, of the O-51, Tango-1, zero five one, coming from the O-51 Bunker perimeter. **(0442 hours)**

(Security Control) 10-4, Copy, Echo-1?

(Security Control) (Voice inside CSC: Okay then. The O-55 Gate ... Garbled transmission.)

(Golf QRT) (Garbled transmission.)

(Security Control) Golf QRT, 10-20, you were cut out.

(Golf QRT) That's 10-4, we have choppers, ... (Then Golf-3 was drowned out by other radio's.)

(Echo-1) Security Control, Echo-1.

(Security Control) Control by, Echo-1.

(Echo-1) (Garbled transmission.)

(Security Control) Echo-1, From Security Control. **(0443 hours)**

(Echo-1) (Garbled transmission.)

(Tango-2) (Garbled transmission.)

(Security Control) Control by, Tango-2.

(Tango-2) (Other radios cut Tango-2 out)

(Security Control) 10-20, Tango-2, you were cut out.

(Tango-2) (Tango-2, was cut out again.)

(Mobile-56) Security Control, this is Mobile-56.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Mobile-56) (Mobile-56 was cut out by other radio traffic.)

(Security Control) Security Control to all units, 10-5 on transmissions, Mobile-56 you will have to 10-20, you were cut out.

(Mobile-56) 10-4, Control, have the unit down on that end, the North end of the O-51 Gate, go ahead and deploy, direction of the O-51 Gate, in case the VC attempt another penetration. **(0444 hours)**

(Security Control) 10-4, This is for, for the unit, North of the O-51 Gate?

(Mobile-56) That's 10-4, ... (Garbled transmission.)

(Security Control) Alpha QRT, from Security Control.

(Unknown Unit) Directly underneath your tower.

(Alpha QRT) Alpha QRT by.

(Security Control) 10-4, 10-31, down the perimeter road, towards the O-51 Gate, deploy your troops, deploy South-West, toward the O-51 Gate.

(Alpha QRT) 10-4.

(Golf QRT) Security Control, Golf QRT.

(Security Control) Control by, Golf QRT.

(Golf QRT) We've got the Vietnamese Military Police down here, they're claiming they're from 7th Service Security, we need positive identification, on them. **(0445 hours)**

(Security Control) 10-13, Golf QRT, we can not identify them at this time.

(Security Control) Golf QRT, acknowledge that.

(Golf QRT) 10-4.

(Security Control) 10-36.

(Unknown Units) (Numerous units, try to talk, all at once.)

(Echo QRT) Security Control, Echo QRT, I've got eighty individuals, 10-32.

(Security Control) Echo QRT, from Security Control, 10-30, 10-20.

(Echo QRT) (Numerous radio traffic, break in on the transmission.)

(Tango-1) Tango-1, to Security Control.

(Security Control) Control by, Tango-1.

(Tango-1) In a direct line, from my tower to Tango-4, is full of VC.

(Security Control) Direct line from your tower, to Tango-4.

(Tango-1) That's 10-4.

(Security Control) 10-4, how far from Tango-4.

(Tango-1) About one hundred to a hundred and fifty yards.

(Security Control) Mobile-56, to Security Control.

(Mobile-56) Mobile-56 by.

(Security Control) Tango-1, reports a large concentration of VC, approximately one hundred and fifty yards, East, from Tango-4, in direct line to Tango-1. **(0446 hours)**

(Mobile-56) 10-4, I copy, ... (Garbled transmission.)

(Security Control) Army-2.

(Base Police) Tango-1, from Base Police.

(Army-2) Army-2, to Security Control.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Army-2) (Garbled transmission.)

(Security Control) Mobile-56, from Security Control.

(Mobile-56) -56 by.

(Security Control) Army-2, is in the vicinity of where the Vietnamese tanks are positioned.

(Base Police) Tango-1, to Base Police.

(Security Control) (Voice inside CSC: I called the Armor. Huh? You called the Armor. I called them up.) **(0447 hours)**

(Warrior) Security Control, Warrior.

(Security Control) Control by.

(Warrior) Security Control, Warrior.

(Security Control) Control by, Warrior.

This redaction of the audio tape is not complete as of Feb 28, 2008. I will do more later. (Charles Penley, Kingsport, Tennessee)

377th SPS and Task Force-35 Tet 1968 Deployment Main Line of Resistance

Aker, Richard A1C	Alpha Sector, North Entry Control, C-130 Area
Akins, Charles	Charlie Sector, M-60 Bunker on MLR
Anderson, George Sgt	Charlie Flt. Quick Reaction Team, 0-55 gate
Anderson, Jimmy Sgt	Kilo-6, Devil 0A73
Autry, Sgt	Alpha Sector
Bacon, Robert W. A1C	Quick Reaction Team, West End
Ball, Sgt.	Alpha Sector, SAT Rider
Barton, Freddie	Kilo-6
Belden, Bernard SSgt	Law Enforcement
Bender, Carl Maj	Operations Officer "Warrior"
Betancourt, Antonio Sgt	Quick Reaction Team, West end
Billups, John C., Sgt	Golf SAT-3, Machine Gunner
Bingham, Sgt.	Alpha Sector, Tango #10
Blades, Larry A1C	Echo Sector, Echo Special Post (20MM Gun Truck) Joint 377th SPS and Vietnamese Operations

Blackmon, Archie A.	Foxtrot Sector, QRT responded to Gate 2
Block, Philip R., Sgt truck guns & ammo	Echo Sector, Quick Reaction Team Rollout, Flightline
Bloom, James TSgt	Central Security Control
Bootz, A1C #2 North	Alpha Sector, Entry Control, Munitions Storage Area
Bowden, Patrick	NCOIC Law Enforcement
Bracken, Frank Sgt	Delta Sector, "Golf 1 Sat"
Brandenberg, Jerry A2C	Entry Control, C-47 Area
Campbell, Doug A1C	Alpha Sector, South Entry Control, C-130 Area
Carson, A1C	Alpha Sector, Tango-5
Carter, Billy Jack Col	377 Squadron Commander
Cefoli, A1C	Alpha Sector, Entry Control Receiver Site
Choury, James A. A1C	Quick Reaction Team, West End
Clark, Sgt.	Alpha Sector, Bunker M-60 Gunner
Coggins, Alonzo Sgt	Echo Sector, 0-51 Bunker (WIA)
Collopy, Michael A1C	Echo QRT
Cook, Sgt	Alpha Sector
Crosby, Bill	SP Armory
Cyr, William Sgt., (KIA)	Echo Sector, 0-51 Bunker "Echo 37"
D'Andrea, John A2C	Charlie Sector, Charlie-34 (Next to Whiskey 5)
Danzie, AB	Alpha Sector
Darnell, SSgt.	NCOIC Nung Gaurds
Daugherty, Bill TSgt	Law Enforcement Investigations
Davis, Dannie	Kilo-21, Cowboy
Davis, William A1C	Quick Reaction Team, West End
DeNisio, Carl "Bernie" Capt "Mobile-56"	Weapons Systems Security Ops Officer,
Denton, A1C	Alpha Sector, Bunker Detail
Dickens, Sgt.	Alpha Sector, Tango-12
Ditto, Reg Sgt.	QRT, West End, near the O-51 Bunker
Donaldson, A1C	Alpha Sector, Bunker M-60 Asst. Gunner
Dowdell, David A2C	Charlie Sector, Charlie 42 MLR (Next to Whiskey 8)
Dubberly, Terry A1C	Foxtrot Sector Resupply
Duckworth, Ron	Echo Sector, two bunkers from O-51 Bunker
Elam, A1C	Alpha Sector, Entry Control, Transient Ammo area
Estridge, Robert L. A1C	Quick Reaction Team, West End
Feden, A1C	Alpha Sector
Fehr, SSgt.	Alpha Sector, SAT Gunner
Fields, Gilbert E. CMSgt	
Fischer, Louis Sgt., (KIA)	Echo Sector, 0-51 Bunker "Echo 37"
Ford, Will Sgt	Golf-1, CSC SAT
Funari, Alfred J. III A1C	Quick Reaction Team, West End

Galbreath, Ray A. A1C	Quick Reaction Team, West End
Garcia, Arthur, M. Sgt.	Charlie Sector, NCOIC "Charlie-1"
Gardner, Anthony C. A1C	Quick Reaction Team, West End
Geiver, Steve D. A1C	Quick Reaction Team, West End
Gifford, Bernard TSgt	NCOIC Training Section, in charge of "Army-1"
Gilbert, A1C	Alpha Sector, Tango-6
Gilbert, Gene	Echo-1
Gidden, A1C	Alpha Sector
Gillespie, Ronald	Kilo-5, Surf A039, then Mobile K-3 gunner
Godfrey, Chris Sgt	Golf-3, SAT Leader and CSC
Gould, Larry SSgt	Alpha QRT, Utah Ditch Area
Granoski, Donald W. A1C	Quick Reaction Team, West End
Gray, Charles A1C	Alpha Sector, Tango-7
Grover, Melvin 1LT	Cdr. Night Shift Security in jeep with Capt. DeNisio
Handy, A1C	Alpha Sector, M-16 Bunker
Hanks, Kenneth I. A1C	Quick Reaction Team, West End
Hargrave, William	Kilo-34, Rex 07X9
Harris, A1C	Alpha Sector, M-16 Bunker
Hathway, William SSgt	Alpha Sector, Secondary SAT Rider
Havchak, David M. Sgt	
Hebron, Charles Sgt., (KIA)	Echo Sector, 0-51 Bunker "Echo 37"
Heinemann, Rudy A1C	Alpha Sector, North walking guard, C-130 Area
Hibbs, A1C	Alpha Sector, OJT
Howard, David "Mike"	Kilo-14, Mox A149
Hurley, Bryan A1C	Alpha Sector, Special Post
Hurley, Michael TSgt	Bravo Sector, NCOIC
Hutchison, Dana E. A1C	Quick Reaction Team, West End
Ingalsbe, Gerald 1LT	Asst. Operations Officer
Inskipt, James F. A1C	Quick Reaction Team, West End
Insley, Scott A1C	Bravo Sector, MLR
Ivy, Amn	Alpha Sector, M-16 Bunker
Jackson, B. A1C.	Alpha Sector, M-16 Bunker
Jackson, B.L.	Alpha Sector, CSC SAT
Jackson, M. A1C	Alpha Sector, M-16 Bunker
Jaczik, A2C	Charlie Sector, Charlie-40
Johns, Donald K. A1C	Quick Reaction Team, West End
Johnson, SSgt.	Alpha Sector, Secondary SAT Leader
Johnson, James Jr. A1C	Quick Reaction Team, West End
Johnson, Patrick H. A1C	Quick Reaction Team, West End
Kannan, A1C	Alpha Sector, South walking guard, C-130 Area
Kavchak, David	Base Police
Kearns, Ed	Flightline C-130s
Keirsey, A1C	Alpha Sector, M-16 Bunker
Kelso, A1C	Alpha Sector, OJT

Kelter, James A1C Kunin, Cal	Alpha Sector, M-16 Bunker JDOC
Langley, John A1C Lawler, Dan Leal, A1C Leroux, Lonnie Lightfoot, Conrad Lipman, A1C Lovitt, Sgt Lucas, Ronald L. A1C	Kilo-10, Vogie A927 Entry Control F4C Area Alpha Sector, M-16 Bunker Charlie Sector, M-16 Bunker, assisted Alpha Sector Kilo-10, Reinforcement Alpha Sector, M-16 Bunker Alpha Sector Quick Reaction Team, West End
Markson, James A3C Mars, Wardell A1C Mason, Edward R. A1C Marsfelder, James Marshall, James SSgt Martin, Johnny Martinez, A1C Mason, Sherman McAllister, Michael E. A1C McCabe, A1C #2 South McCray, A1C McGlaughlin, Don McKissick, TSgt. William Meli, Robert J. A1C Mills, Sgt. Roger (KIA) Moon, TSgt Moubry, Lawrence A1C Murley, A1C Mulrey, Brian Capt Center Liaison	Charlie Sector, Machine Gun Bunker Quick Reaction Team, West End Quick Reaction Team, West End Kilo-16 SP Training Section Delta Sector, MLR Bunker Alpha Sector, West walking guard, C-130 Area Law Enforcement, Desk Sgt. Quick Reaction Team, West End Alpha Sector, Entry Control Munitions Storage Area Alpha Sector, East walking guard, C-130 Area Echo Sector Alpha Sector NCOIC & SAT Leader "Alpha-1" Quick Reaction Team, West End Echo Sector, 0-51 Bunker "Echo 37" Quick Reaction Team, West End Alpha Sector, Special Post OIC Law Enforcement, Joint Defense Operations
Nutter, Raymond	Kilo-30, Major 803F
Odeja, Richard Ott, Robert TSgt	Charlie Sector SP Training Section
Palmer, Billy TSgt Parsons, Walton Sgt Passmore, A1C Patch, Larry Patterson, TSgt. Penley, Charles Sgt Pope, Ronald "Calvin" A1C Pugh, A1C Pulliam, Sgt. Charles	Echo Sector, NCOIC Echo-1 Mobile K-3, Leader Alpha Sector Charlie Sector Charlie Sector, Assistant NCOIC Charlie Sector, Special Machine Gun Post-1 Alpha Sector, M-16 Bunker C-130 Area Alpha Sector Charlie Sector, Resupply C Flight Security

Raffa, A1C	Alpha Sector, TDY to Security Operations
Rarion, A1C	Alpha Sector, On-Job-Training
Rhow, John E. A1C	Quick Reaction Team, West End
Richardson, Joseph Sgt	Kilo-27, Augie A681
Riggins, Dennis T. A1C	Quick Reaction Team, West End
Rivers, Steve Sgt	Tango-1, Main Base, water tower
Roberts, Jack Sgt	Alpha Sector, MLR, Bunker M-60 Gunner
Rodocker, Robert Sgt	Kilo-26, Fritz 584F
Sassen, Sgt.	Golf-1, CSC SAT
Sasser, Sgt.	Alpha Sector, CSC SAT
Shaffer, Sgt.	Alpha Sector, Entry Control, Munitions Storage Area-1
East	
Sharon, A1C	Alpha Sector, M-16 Bunker
Smith, SSgt.	Alpha Sector, Secondary SAT Gunner
Stewart, James Sgt	Kilo-15, Dobe 7X49
Terry, A1C	Alpha Sector, MLR Bunker M-60 Asst. Gunner
Terry, A2C	Entry Control. C-47 Area
Tessier, Thomas Sgt	Alpha Sector, Tango-14
Thatcher, David	Base Police, Roving Patrol
Thompson, Sgt.	Alpha Sector, North Entry Control, C-130 Area
Timms, James R. Sgt	TDY Phu Quoc Island
Tolley, David Sgt	Alpha Sector, Tango-10
Tucker, Alan D. A1C	Tango-4, right in front of the 0-51 gate
Tutson, Carey SSgt	Charlie Sector, Asst. NCOIC, Charlie-2
Underwood, R. E., A1C	Alpha Sector, became Golf SAT-3 rider.
Uchman, Zbigniew "Bob" A1C	Alpha Sector, M-16 Bunker
Vandenberg, Steven A1C	Alpha Sector, Tango-8
Voth, A1C	Alpha Sector, Tango-9
Welborne, A1C	Alpha Sector, Alpha Sector, M-16 Bunker
Whipple, Daniel B.	Task Force-35, US Army
Wilson, Steve E. Sgt	Quick Reaction Team, West End
Wirsing, A1C	Alpha Sector, Posting Driver
Ybarbo, Frank	Delta Sector Bunker 13 C-47 Area
Ziehm, A1C	Alpha Sector, Tango-11

Call Signs of the Various Units:

- Army-1:** Task Force-35, One platoon US Army, plus one 377th SPS NCO (TSgt Gifford was the Liaison person)
- Army-2:** Task Force-35, One platoon US Army, plus one 377th SPS NCO
- Army-3:** Task Force-35, One platoon US Army, plus one 377th SPS NCO
- Base Police:** Base Police.
- Chief, SP:** Col. Billy Jack Carter
- CSC:** Central Security Control
- Defense Control:** Joint Control with Americans and Vietnamese.
- Echo-1:** TSgt Billy M. Palmer, Echo Sector NCOIC.
- Echo-34:** Bunker on the West Perimeter.
- Echo-37:** Also known as the O-51 Bunker, on the West Perimeter, manned by:
1. Sgt. Alonzo J. Coggins, WIA, survived with severe injuries.
 2. Sgt. William J. Cyr, KIA, Feb 1, 1968, 36-E, Line-013.
 3. Sgt. Louis H. Fischer, bunker NCOIC, KIA, Feb 1, 1968, 36-E, Line-005.
 4. Sgt. Charles E. Hebron, KIA, Feb 1, 1968, 36-E, Line-025.
 5. Sgt. Roger B. Mills, KIA, Feb 1, 1968, 36-E, Line-008.
- JDOC:** Joint Defense Operations Center.
- Kilo:** Call sign, assigned to the Sentry Dog Section.
- Liaison NCO:** TSgt Benard C. Gifford, controlled Army-1.
- MLR:** Main Line of Resistance.
- Mobile K-1:** Sentry Dog Supervisor, consisted of three men. Driver, M-60 gunner and radio man.
- Mobile K-2:** Sentry Dog Supervisor, consisted of three men. Driver, M-60 gunner and radio man.
- Mobile-56:** Capt. Carl B. DeNisio, Weapons Systems Security Operations Officer, 377th Air Police Squadron. (Capt. DeNisio, will be awarded the Silver Star Medal.)
- 1Lt. Melvin G. Grover, Jr., 377th Air Police Squadron, OIC night shift, he was the driver of Mobile-56. (1Lt Grover will be awarded the Bronze Star Medal, with Valor.)

- QRT:** Quick Reaction Team.
- Razorback:** Army's 120th Assault Helicopter Company.
- RSAT:** Reserve Security Alert Team.
- Scout:** 377th Security Police Squadron, Motor Pool personnel.
- Sector:** There are six sectors on the base: Alpha, Bravo, Charlie, Delta, Echo and Foxtrot.
- SP Operations Officer:** Maj. Carl A. Bender, "Warrior".
- Tango:** Towers that are strategically placed around Tan Son Nhut. Tango-1 through Tango-20.
- Tango-1:** The main observation tower used by 377th SPS. Sgt Steve Rivers, NCOIC. It is located atop a giant water tower, with a building, built on top of it.
- Tango-2:** Single-man observation tower, near the O-51 Bunker, West end.
- Tango-4:** A1C Alan D. Tucker, manning a single-man, 27-foot security tower, Tango-4, on the West perimeter. The tower is near the O-51 Gate. A1C Tucker, will be awarded the Silver Star, this night.
- Task Force-35:** Army's transit troops. Made up of Army troops who are, or were, intransit from their unit in the field, awaiting their flight home, or just arriving in-country and were awaiting assignment to a field unit. They will form up as Army-1, Army-2 and Army-3.
- TSNSA:** Tan Son Nhut, Sensitive Area.
- Vinatexco Mill:** Was the primary staging point used by the North Vietnamese Army and the Viet Cong. It was located off post, West of the perimeter, approximately one half mile from the O-51 Gate.
- Warrior:** Major Carl A. Bender, 377th Air Police Squadron. (Maj Bender, will be awarded the Silver Star this night, along with a Purple Heart.)