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(S) In response to NMCC queries (SEVOOOK) 2015/32 May 69, the following information is provided:

1. Operation APACHE SNOW is a multi-regimental US/ARVN operation with 3rd Marine Division Units in the south Da Krong Valley and 101st Airborne Div and 1st ARVN Div units in the A Shau Valley; two battalions (USMC) conducting operations into Da Krong Valley interdicting enemy lines of communications from the Laotian border; four battalions (US) and four ARVN battalions conducting operation into A Shau Valley to destroy enemy caches, forces, and installations and reduce enemy infiltration into South Vietnam.

2. Two enemy battalions on Hill 937 dominated the local area in the west central A Shau and were preventing friendly forces from gaining control of an infiltration route into SVN from Laos and pre-empting other enemy activities in the A Shau Valley, a traditional NVA/VC logistics area used for support of enemy operations in military region Tri Thien Hue.

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3. Overall casualty figures for Operation APACHE SNOW are as follows: EN - 469 KIA, 18 Det; FRD - 67 KIA, 470 WIA and 13 MIA. Those reported for H 937 area: EN - 417 KIA, two Det; FRD - 61 KIA, 441 WIA and 13 MIA. (Preliminar figures, subject to updating.)

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