

TABLE OF ORGANIZATION)
 AND EQUIPMENT)
 NO. CIDG/CS-2)

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
 HEADQUARTERS, 5TH SFGA, 1ST SF
 APO 96240, 30 May 1969

COMBAT RECONNAISSANCE PLATOON

Designation: Combat Reconnaissance Platoon, Camp Strike Force

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SECTION I

GENERAL

ORGANIZATION

1. MISSION.

- a. Perform reconnaissance operations within the TAOR of the CIDG Camp.
- b. Perform reconnaissance missions in denied areas.
- c. Coordinate and direct air strikes and artillery on enemy positions.
- d. Act as guides for CSF and MSF units.
- e. Conduct limited Bomb Damage Assessment (BDA) missions.
- f. Mark and secure landing zones, drop zones and staging areas.

2. ASSIGNMENT. Three Combat Reconnaissance Platoons to each CIDG camp. The camp commander may deploy these assets according to mission requirements.

3. CAPABILITIES. At full strength this unit has the following capabilities:

- a. Provide continuous reconnaissance capability to CIDG camps.
- b. Forward observer for organic or attached indirect fire support.

* This table supersedes TOE CIDG/CS-2, dated 30 September 1968.

- c. Act as guides for exploitation forces reacting to hard intelligence.
 - d. Employment of stay-behind techniques.
4. MOBILITY. This unit is foot mobile and dependent upon outside sources for transportation.
5. APPLICABILITY. This TOE will be utilized by all CIDG camps authorized Combat Reconnaissance Platoons in accordance with directives of Headquarters, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), 1st Special Forces and the Vietnamese Special Forces High Command.

EQUIPMENT

1. This table is the authority to requisition and issue in accordance with procedures directed by Headquarters, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), 1st Special Forces.
2. Individual allowances for all grades are listed in Section III.
3. Allowances of equipment authorized herein may be decreased or omitted at the discretion of the VNSF and US Special Forces Detachment Commanders. Equipment excess to the authorized allowances will not be requested without prior approval of Headquarters, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), 1st Special Forces.
4. This table authorizes the M-16A1 Rifle and the M-79 Grenade Launcher. In the event these weapons are not available, the Cal .30 M2 Carbine and the Cal .30 Browning Automatic Rifle will be issued as in lieu of items.
5. Basic loads will be determined by TA 1-68, dated 30 November 1968.

SECTION II
ORGANIZATION (PERSONNEL)
DISTRIBUTION

Para	Line	Designation	Str	2LT	WO	MSG	SGT	CPLI	CPL	PVTI	Rmk
01		<u>Plt Headquarters</u>									
	01	Plt Ldr	1	1							01
	02	Asst Plt Ldr	1		1						01
02		<u>Recon Sqd (4)</u>									
	01	Sqd Ldr	4				4				01
	02	Asst Sqd Ldr	4					4			01
	03	Scout	8						8		01
	04	Grenadier	4						4		02
	05	Sniper	4							4	03
	06	Rifleman	8							8	01
		Totals	34	1	1		4	4	12	12	

RECAPITULATION

Para	Line	Designation	Strength	Rmk
		Plt Leader	1	
		Asst Plt Ldr	1	
		Sqd Ldr	4	
		Asst Sqd Ldr	4	
		Scout	8	
		Grenadier	4	
		Sniper	4	
		Rifleman	8	
		Total	34	

REMARKS:

- 01 - Armed with M-16A1.
- 02 - Armed with M-79.
- 03 - Armed with sniper rifle.

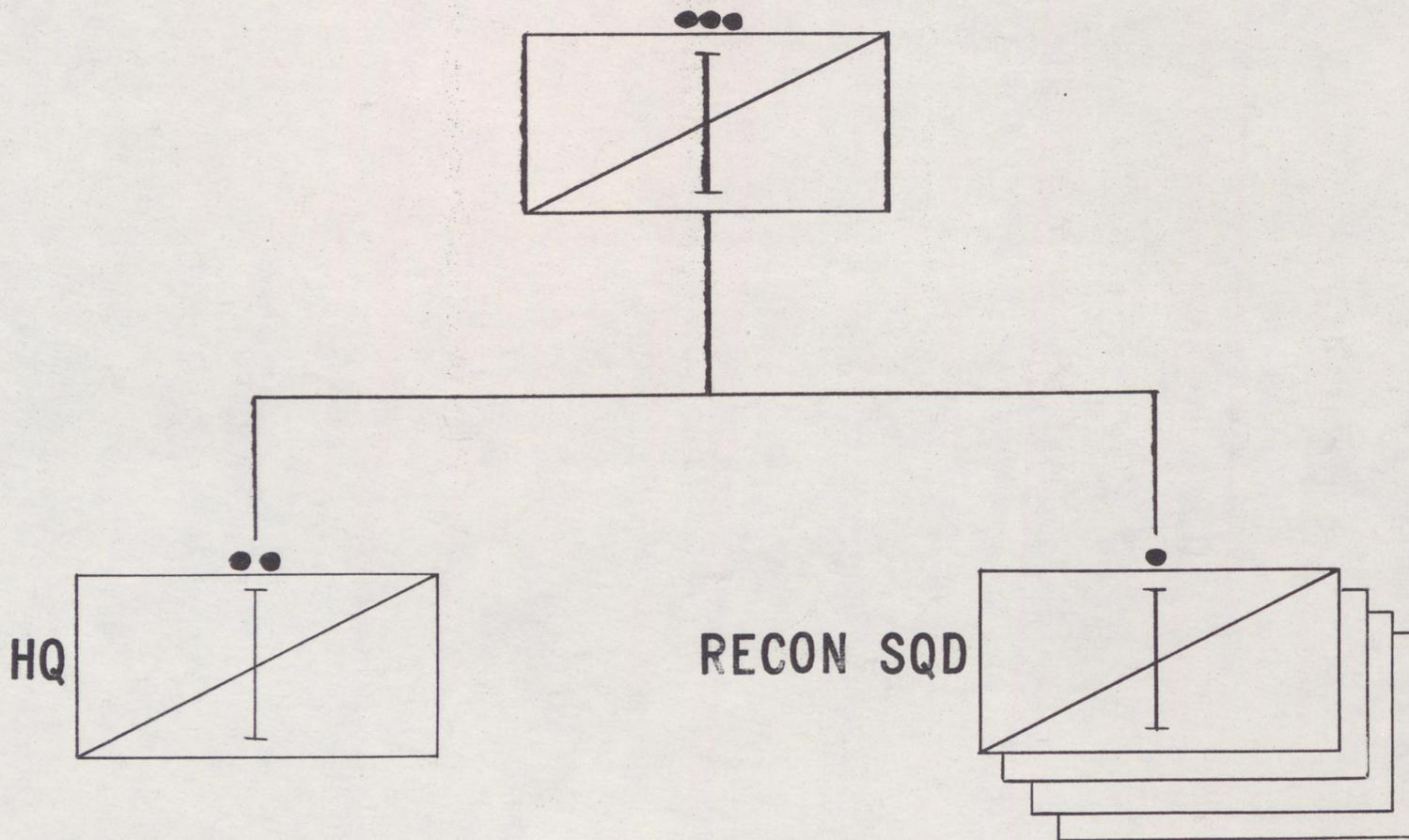
SECTION III
EQUIPMENT
DISTRIBUTION

Para	Line	Item Description	Allowance	Rmk
01		<u>Platoon Headquarters</u>		
		Binoculars, 6x30	2	
		Compass, lensatic	2	
		Cookpot w/cover 8"	1	
		Flashlight	2	
		Knife, bayonet, M-16 w/scabbard	2	
		Machete w/sheath	1	
		Magazine, rifle, M-16A1	18	
		Panels, air/ground recognition set	1	
		Pouch, universal	4	
		Radio, HT-1	2	
		Rifle, M-16A1	2	
02		<u>Reconnaissance Squad (4)</u>		
		Binoculars, 6x30	4	
		Compass, lensatic	8	
		Cookpot w/cover 8"	8	
		Flashlight	8	
		Knife, bayonet, M-16 w/scabbard	24	
		Launcher, grenade, M-79	4	
		Machete w/sheath	4	
		Magazine, rifle, M-16A1	216	
		Panels, air/ground recognition set	4	
		Pouch, universal	64	
		Radio, HT-1	4	
		Rifle, M-16A1	24	
	Rifle, sniper	4		
03		<u>Individual Members (34)</u>		
		Belt, black, w/buckle	34	
		Belt, pistol	34	
		Blanket	34	
		Boots, jungle, pr.	68	
		Bowl, metal, individual	34	
		Canteen, w/cup and cover	68	
		Cap, camouflage	34	
		Hammock, indigenous	34	
		Harness, field	34	
		Jacket, camouflage	102	
		Jacket, field	34	01
		Packet, first aid, individual	34	
		Poncho	34	
		Rucksack, indigenous	34	
	Socks, pr.	102		
	Sweater, wool, OD	34		
	Trousers, camouflage	102		

Para	Line	Item Description	Allowance	Rmk
04		<u>RECAPITULATION</u>		
		<u>Engineer Items</u>		
		Compass, lensatic	10	
		Flashlight	10	
		Machete w/sheath	5	
		<u>Medical Items</u>		
		Packet, first aid, individual	34	
		<u>Ordnance Items</u>		
		Binoculars, 6x30	6	
		Knife, bayonet, M-16 w/scabbard	26	
		Launcher, grenade, M-79	4	
		Magazine, rifle, M-16A1	234	
		Rifle, M-16A1	26	
		Rifle, sniper	4	
		<u>Quartermaster Items</u>		
		Belt, black, w/buckle	34	
		Belt, pistol	34	
		Boots, jungle, pr.	68	
		Bowl, metal, individual	34	
		Canteen, w/cup and cover	68	
		Cookpot, w/cover 8"	9	
		Cap, camouflage	34	
		Hammock, indigenous	34	
		Harness, field	34	
		Jacket, camouflage	102	
		Jacket, field	34	
		Panels, air/ground recognition set	5	
		Pouch, universal	68	
		Poncho	34	
		Rucksack, indigenous	34	
		Socks, pr.	102	
		Sweater, wool, OD	34	
		Trousers, camouflage	102	
		<u>Signal Items</u>		
		Radio, HT-1	6	

REMARKS:

01 - Allowance authorized only in regions where climatic conditions warrant issue.



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