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From: Commanding Officer, USS PRINCETON (CV-37)  
To: Commander Task Force SEVENTY-SEVEN

Subj: Combat Air Support Report; submission of

Ref: (A) CTF-77 Conf. Dispatch 190123Z of November 1950

Encl: (1) Combat Air Support Report for 5 January 1951

1. Enclosure (1) is forwarded herewith in accordance with reference (a).

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COMBAT AIR SUPPORT SUMMARY

1-5-51  
(date)

TAKE OFF TIME	NO. OF AIRCRAFT	TYPE OF AIRCRAFT	FLIGHT LEADER	CONTROLLER
0840	4	F4U-4	E.E. TISSOT, Jr.	MOSQUITO COTTONSEED SPECIAL 2

RESULTS, AREA, COMMENTS

0845 - Large enemy troop concentrations were bombed, napalmed, rocketed, and strafed. These enemy forces were in attack upon UN troops. enemy casualties were large, 1 bldg. was destroyed and 4 bldgs. were damaged. 0837 - People were seen moving south in this area. They were dressed as civilians and had packs on their backs. They were walking in a single file on both sides of the road. Their identity could not be determined.

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1-5-51  
(date)

TAKE OFF TIME	NO. OF AIRCRAFT	TYPE OF AIRCRAFT	FLIGHT LEADER	CONTROLLER
0840	3	AD-4	E. A. PARKER	MOSQUITO COTTONSEED
	4	F4U-4		SPECIAL 2

RESULTS, AREA, COMMENTS

DS 0261 to DS 0268 - A heavy enemy troop concentration was attacking our forces in this area. The controller estimated the enemy concentration at 3000 to 4000 troops and civilians. The strike bombed, napalmed, strafed and rocketed the area inflicting heavy losses. The enemy attack was turned back and 4 buildings were destroyed.

1-5-51  
(date)

TAKE OFF TIME	NO. OF AIRCRAFT	TYPE OF AIRCRAFT	FLIGHT LEADER	CONTROLLER
0840	4	F4U-4	R. I. RASTEN	MOSQUITO TOWNSEND

RESULTS, AREA, COMMENTS

Two school-houses were destroyed at CS 6030 and CS 5979 by napalm and bombing. A small village at CS 5586 was bombed and strafed. Ten buildings were destroyed and 1 tractor was destroyed.

1-5-51  
(date)

TAKE OFF TIME	NO. OF AIRCRAFT	TYPE OF AIRCRAFT	FLIGHT LEADER	CONTROLLER
1200	10	F4U-4	K.S. VANLATER	COTTONSEED 4
	4	AD		

RESULTS, AREA, COMMENTS

CS 9755 - Bombed, rocketed, napalmed, and strafed troops in this area. The troops were dug in and the damage could not be determined.

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