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APPENDIX 24 (LIVE FIRE EXERCISE) TO ANNEX G (COMMITTEE TRAINING)
TO CST OPORD 04-01

References:

- a. Map Series, V8215, West Point and Vicinity, 1:50,000
- b. DMI OPORD: CST 04-01

Time Zone Used Throughout the Order: Local

Task Organization: Rifle Company(-)
Company HQ PLT (-)
(2) INF PLTs

1. SITUATION. See Base OPORD.

2. MISSION. Live Fire Exercise (LFX) Committee conducts squad level ambush live fire training exercises vic of Range 2 from 01 JUL 04 through 13 AUG 04 in order to train and reinforce small unit leadership and tactics.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Intent.

(1) Purpose: It is my intent that the LFX Committee develops, organizes, and executes an enthusiastic and professional cadet live-fire range. We will provide a realistic training environment and take all precautions to ensure the safe and efficient conduct of our range.

(2) Key Tasks: Development the Warrior Ethos within cadets. Build confidence, leadership skills and experience for 1st and 2nd Class. Develop field skills and ground combat skills of the 3rd Class

(3) Endstate: The safe execution of the range with no mishaps, cadets with a better understanding of leading and participating in the close ground fight, and cadets inspired about their role as a future leader of soldiers.

b. Concept of the Operation. This operation is to be conducted in the following three phases.

(1) Phase I: Preparation (1 Dec – 26 May 04) This phase begins with the unit assignment to the LFX Committee and ends with the unit arrival at Camp Natural Bridge. The objectives of this phase are: 1) Conduct initial coordination for LFX execution, 2) Conduct site reconnaissance, 3) Establishment of LFX Committee training timelines, 4) Identify by name committee team assignments, 5) Prepare for the LFX Committee execution by

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completing necessary training, 6) Prepare for and conduct movement to Camp Natural Bridge. The endstate of this phase is that the LFX Committee is selected, trained, and safely transported to the AO where they are familiar with requirements that must be accomplished upon arrival.

(2) Phase II: Execution (27 May – 08 Aug 04) This phase begins with the LFX Committee arriving at Camp Natural Bridge and concludes upon the last day of training. This phase is broken down into the following sub-phases:

Phase IIa: Equipment Draw and Site Setup. This sub-phase begins with the drawing of necessary supplies and concludes with the establishment of Communication infrastructure, Assembly Area set-up, and each of the routes and ambush sites. The focus of this phase is to prepare the training areas for the Live Fire Exercise. Tasks include: establish CP, AA, and C2, construction of the twelve rehearsal sites, construction of the four AAR sites, construction of the Ammo Supply Point, receive class IV supplies and construction of the four ambush sites. Tentative equipment draw date from Cadet Supply by TF personnel is 28 June 04. The endstate of this sub-phase is that the LFX site and infrastructure are completely established.

Phase IIb: Rehearsals. This sub-phase begins when site setup is complete and ends with Final Validation. The focus of this phase is to achieve a high level of proficiency on all required actions on each site. The purpose of the rehearsal is to ensure all necessary equipment is operational (and present) and personnel know their responsibilities. Rehearsals focus on all safety matters (CASEVAC, Weapon Misfires, Weapon Handling, Extinguishing Fires, keeping personnel out of the SDZ, etc). There is a course validation – the LFX Committee squads will conduct full live-fire rehearsals on each site. The endstate of this sub-phase is that the LFX site, infrastructure, and personnel are certified (thoroughly familiar with the execution plan and their individual responsibilities) and the course is validated by the Director of the Department of Military Instruction (validation 15 July 04).

Phase IIc: Execution. This sub-phase begins upon successful completion of site certification and validation and ends with the final cadet training rotation. The focus of

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this phase is on the safe execution of a realistic squad ambush LFX. Cadet companies rotate to the LFX Committee for a 24-hour period to conduct a live-fire ambush exercise. The cadets are tactical at all times. We support their operations within the OPERATION: HIGHLAND WARRIOR scenario. We provide a secure assembly area, operating the ammunition point, creating rehearsal areas in the Assembly Area, providing assistance and guidance in planning and rehearsals, camouflaging and operating targetry, providing all range personnel and support (to include guards to keep personnel out of SDZs, and acting as safeties for the inexperienced cadet units.) The endstate is a safe range with no mishaps, a cadet with a better understanding of leading and participating in the close ground fight, and a cadet inspired about being a future leader of soldiers

(3) Phase III: Recovery/Assessments (TBD). This phase begins with the completion of the final cadet rotation and ends with site recovery inspection and turn in of the AAR. The focus of this phase is the accounting for and return of all training equipment and supplies, the policing and reconfiguration of the Training Area, and the development of pertinent AAR comments to sustain/improve training for next summer. Once we complete range cleanup to Range Control standards, we turn over the range and exit the training area. The endstate of this phase is the safe return of all equipment and personnel.

- c. Scheme of Maneuver. See TAB F (Scheme of Maneuver) to Appendix 24 (Live Fire Exercise).
- d. Tasks. LFX committee personnel are required to be familiar with the following tasks prior to arrival. Additional training for Committee members will be conducted during the rehearsal phase. Specific attention should be paid to mastering individual weapons safety requirements.

TASK	TASK NO.	REF
Conduct Point Ambush	07-3-1145	7-8 MTP
Conduct Area Ambush		7-8 MTP
Conduct TLP	71-2-0065.7-3000	7-8 MTP
Conduct Tactical Movement	07-3-1134	7-8 MTP
Employ Claymore	071325-4425	STP 21-1-SMCT
Control Organic Fires	071-410-0019	STP 7-11BCHM14-SM-TG
Conduct a Leader's Recon	071-410-0010	STP 7-11BCHM14-SM-TG

- e. Coordinating Instructions
 - (1) Site Layout. See TAB C (Site Layout) to Appendix 24 (Live Fire Exercise).

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- (2) Training Timeline. See TAB E (Training Timeline) to Appendix 24 (Live Fire Exercise).
- (3) Personnel Requirements. Minimum manning requirements to support the committee: Total = 79 (See TAB F)
- (4) Uniform. Field uniform w/Kevlar, TA-50, weapon, and personal camouflage for cadet training days.

4. SERVICE AND SUPPORT. Task Force draws LFX support equipment and general supplies from West Point Cadet Supply (DOL) BLDG 917. Date for draw is currently set for 28 June 04.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL. See Base OPORD.

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