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REPORTED POTENTIAL BORDER INCURSION - UPDATE

1. HQ 1 (UK) Armd Div have reported that the [1.4b] battalion has identified what may be an incursion by the [1.4b]

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2. It appears that some new berms, crossing points and possibly towers are being built up to 1000m to the west of the existing ones, although it is not clear as to exactly where the previous positions were in relation to any internationally agreed border. Seven new posts are being constructed and there is about one company of troops present along with light infantry weapons. This all appears to be very localised.

3. The [1.4b] have not been able to plot the location precisely - this will be done by [1.4b] US over-flight and possible ODA visit.

4. HQ CJTR [1.4b] has been informed.

5. GOC 1 (UK) Div's intent:

- Confirm locations through over-flight and further recce.
- MND(SE) troops stand off.
- Once picture is clearer, possible approach to ascertain intentions.

6. The best-case assessment is that this is just a local initiative by a commander to avoid flooding or to find better ground for his positions. Worst case is a limited land grab.

7. FCO likely to be in the loop through its representative [b 6] in HQ 1 (UK) Div. [b(6)] is unaware, but PJHQ is attempting to inform him.

8. Further updates will follow when available.

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