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In a message of 7 February the 27th Battalion was informed that its mission on 8 February was to interdict Route 9 and surround Cam Lo. Detailed instructions for the mission were given, including organization of teams to destroy tanks, strike infantry, and shoot down aircraft. Route 9 was ordered cut between Nghia Hy (16-48N 107-02E, YD 142528) and Prison 7 (unlocated) with three blocking teams; at the same time the 6th Company of the 27th Battalion was to penetrate the hamlets at Quat Xa (16-48N 106-58E, YD 100592) in coordination with a small detachment north of the Cam Lo River. The company was to request assistance from possibly the PAVN 320th Division if its firepower is too weak. Duration of the operation was stipulated as one day with the battalion withdrawing at night to prepare for continuing activity.

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