**Groupement Mobile 100 Research Module**

**Definition**: Viet Minh attack upon French mobile force in the closing stages of France’s involvement in Indochina.

**Hint:** Focus on the actions of 24 JUN.

**NOTE**: The references below provide information relevant to this engagement. Use these references and supplement with your own research. There are a number of sources available online (only one listed below) that are in French, making this selection an ideal one for groups that include one or more officers able to read French. The ability to read French, however, is NOT necessary to do an effective battle analysis of this engagement.

***Electronic Files listed by file name:***

Dossier FR article

* Magazine with article describing GM 100 action starting on p. 38 from French perspective. NOTE: This item is written in French. You will need either the ability to read French or access to a translation program. You will not be penalized if you do not use this source.

French in Indochina—English

* English translation of a French article summarizing that nation’s military experience and developments in Indochina.

GM 100\_1954 FR article

* Analysis of action from French perspective. NOTE: This item is written in French.

La Bataille d’Ankhé (English translation)

* Translation of online source providing French perspective on action. If you have French language skills, you may want to use the original French version available online.

Last fights Mouragues article translation

* English translation of GM 100\_1954 FR article referenced above.

Luedeke article AR JAN FEB 2001

* Article published in *ARMOR* detailing ambush of GM 100.

Vietnam Vignette\_The French Groupement Mobile 100 \_ Parallel Narratives

* Overview article of the action and summary of events preceding

***Suggested secondary sources:***

Davidson, Phillip, *Vietnam at War: The History, 1946-1975* (Novato, CA: Presidio Press,

 1988). Available in the Donovan Research Library. DS553.1.D38 1988.

* Overview history of the war in Vietnam with insights into French and Viet Minh operations, command, and organization

Dunstan, Simon, *Vietnam Tracks: Armor in Battle 1945-75* (Oxford, UK: Osprey, 2004).

Available in the Donovan Research Library. DS558.9.A75D85 2004.

* Highlights strengths and weaknesses of French mobile forces, some commentary on Viet Minh antitank tactics, and provides background regarding Groupement Mobile 100’s actions prior to the battle

O’Ballance, Edgar, *The Indo-China War 1945-1954* (London: Faber and Faber, 1964).

 Available in the Donovan Research Library. DS550.O2 1964

* Background information re French military operations in Indochina

Fall, Bernard, *Street Without Joy* (Mechanicsburg, PA: Stackpole Books, 1994).

Available in the Donovan Research Library. DS553.1.F35 1994.

* Provides operational context and details the actions of Groupement Mobile 100

Tanham, George, *Communist Revolutionary Warfare: The Vietminh in Indochina* (New

 York: Frederick A Praeger Publishers, 1961). Available in the Donovan

 Research Library. DS557.A5T3 1961.

* Assessment and depiction of the Viet Minh and their tactics and capabilities.

Includes basic analysis of Vietminh TTPs and capabilities.

***Related Search Subjects (online and library shelves):***

Groupement Mobile 100

Korea Regiment

803d Viet Minh Regiment

Mang Yang Pass