**On the Outs**

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**Situation**: You are leading the 1-2 squad of Rangers. Your platoon just recently came under contact when 1-1 reported contact with a squad sized element of SATYR Mercenaries. Briefing at the beginning of the operation communicated that your platoon should expect three squads of Mercenaries operating in the AO. After initial contact was called from 1-1, your PL tasked 1-2 with flanking the enemy from their West. You move your squad through a thick forest that offers good concealment and variable cover, you are now the forward most element in your platoon. During movement, your 1-2B TL spots an enemy fireteam sized element outside of a house roughly 100m to their Northeast. The enemy fireteam is oriented South. You tell 1-2A to halt and hold security oriented North.

You run over to your 1-2B Team and observe the enemy. You note that while they seem to be staying in one place, you suspect they may be getting ready to maneuver, they appear to be observing South, towards the firefight engaging 1-1. You observe that the field to their direct North offers perfect concealment. Peering through dense vegetation and trees, you note that the field near POI 129 is composed of waste-high brush.

**Requirements**: The element of surprise is yours, but is not guaranteed forever. You have one minute to issue any orders. Provide explanation of your rationale.

