Running on Fumes

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Situation: You are commanding three squads of Rangers accompanied by two gun teams. Your platoon has been tasked to rout roughly three to four squads worth of local, hostile militia from the terrorist organization known as Al-Zalaam. While performing a movement to contact, your platoon is ambushed and begins to break contact towards the East. The platoon hastily establishes perimeter defense in a nearby village. The village itself offers good cover and fields of fire to the West and Southwest. Before they can catch their breath, 1-1 reports contact close to their West, and that they have taken massive casualties. The size of the enemy element engaging 1-1 is unknown. Both guns immediately begin suppressing the enemy West of 1-1, effectiveness unknown. 1-2B reports that they are unable to move further West due to poor concealment and cover, exposing them to effective fire from the enemy. You note weak lines of sight to your platoon's direct East and the lack of security in that direction. 1-3 is disorganized due to new leadership and fatigued troops.

While working with your WSL and 1-3 to decide on how to recover the weakened and exposed 1-1. 1-2A Team Leader to the North reports visual contact with one squad sized element, gunfire erupts. 1-2A reports no casualties, but does not believe their current position is substantially defendable.

Requirements: In one minute, issue any orders / calls for reports. Provide explanation of your rationale.

