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1.	0001	Journal open.		MJR	
2.	0015	Asst S3--requests clearance in area bounded by N: 240, E: 540, S: 205, W: 505. Times: 0600 to 1200 hr. Weapons: arty and small arms.		Ntly Div Arty LR	
3.	0640	B/1/8--departed FSB Harrison for FSB Ewell, grid XT576163.		Ntly Div Arty JP	
4.	0710	6/77 A rty--C/6/77 and C/3/13 have departed from FSB York to FSB Putnam II at this time.		Ntly Div Arty JP	
5.	1000	C/3/13--reports its btry laid and ready to fire at 0955 hr.		Ntly Div Arty JP	
6.	1025	2nd Bde LNO--first element of 1/27 Inf is down at FSB MacArthur. LZ cold. Area should be secure in 30 minutes; they are making a sweep of the area at this time.		Ntly Div Arty TA	
7.	1030	Asst S3--requests 6/77 Arty have 2 APC's at FSB York to escort a dozer to FSB Ewell ASAP.		Ntly 6/77 LR	
8.	1115	Fwd FDC--reports arrival of Fwd FDC and B/1/8 at FSB Ewell at this time.		Ntly Div Arty TA	
9.	1116	Div Arty--has extension of clearance: N: 240, E: 540, S: 205, W: 505, until 0600 tomorrow. This is ARVN Clearance only.		Ntly Fwd FDC HS	
10.	1201	Fwd FDC--B/1/8 was laid and ready to fire at 1130 hr. Azimuth and btry center are 6400m, grid XT576164.		Ntly Div Arty LR	
11.	1220	FDC--B/1/8 is ready to provide direct support to 2/27 Inf. 7/11 can be released from their mission.		Ntly 6/77 HS	
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12.	1225	Div Arty--verification of B/1/8 azimuth and btry center: 64004, XT576164.	Ntly FDC TA
13.	1246	C/6/77 CO--C/6/77 CO has departed FSB York.	Ntly Fwd FDC TA
14.	1246	Div Arty--Bn CO requested helicopter from 1300 to 1700 tomorrow, to fly to btrys at FSB Ewell, FSB MacArthur, FSB Pulaski.	Ntly Bn HQ. TA
15.	1300	Bn CO--has returned to Cu Chi at this time.	Ntly Bn HQ. MJR Ntly Div Arty.
16.	1305	FDC--C/6/77 CO has arrived FSB MacArthur at this time.	TA
17.	1308	2/77 Arty--1/8 Fwd FDC left Sgt. Matthews, chief of firing btry B/1/8, at 2/77 FDC location.	Ntly Asst S3 HS
18.	1315	Fwd FDC--C/3/13 arrived FSB Ewell at this time. C/6/77 is halfway in position from the road.	Ntly Div Arty. LR
19.	1440	Fwd FDC--C/3/13 arrived FSB Ewell at 1405, laid and ready to fire at 1440 hr. C/6/77 laid and ready to fire 1415 hr. Btry centers: C/3/13 at XT578161, C/6/77 at XT518215.	Ntly Div Arty LR
20.	1440	Div Arty--requests 2nd Bde clearance on grids XT522157, XT517156, until 1800 hr. Div Arty does not yet have Arvn Clearance.	Ntly 2nd Bde. LR
21.	1545	B/1/8 CO--requests 2 truckloads of PSP.	Ntly 1/27 LNO HS
22.	1556	B/1/82 CO--requests 2 truckloads of empty boxes standing by.	Ntly B/1/8 rear. HS
23.	1738	Div Arty--wants to know if a 1/8 unit fired on grid XT-850055 about 1100 hr today.	Ntly Fwd FDC MJR
24.	1850	2nd Bde LNO--NFZ's for 1/27 Inf: XT512207, XT529209.	

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24 cont		XT509231. For 2/27 Inf: XT584158, XT569156, XT600167, XT583167. For 2/34 Armor: XT531159, XT533153, XT524151. The 2/27 NFZ is a block type.	Ntly Div Arty LR
25.	1920	6/77 Arty--4/23 Mech NFZ's: 1,000 meters around the following grids: XT440229, XT485215, XT501194. Also 1200 meters around the village of Trang Bang.	Ntly Fwd FDC HS
26.	2045	Div Arty--Verification of Bn CO's helicopter from 1300 to 1700 tomorrow.	Ntly Bn HQ. HS
27.	2045	FDC--Bn XO will be in B/1/8's area to blow one each sump for all elements at FSB Ewell.	Ntly Fwd FDC TA
28.	2120	Fwd FDC--C/6/77 recvd 13 rds of 60mm mortar at 2040 hrs. 2 EM slightly wounded, were treated and returned to duty. Counter-mortar fired with unknown results. Ntly Bn XO OK	
29.	2200	Ammo Off--will be in his bunker, and requests notification on all aircraft resupplies--all classes.	Ntly FDC HS
30.	2400	Journal closed.	MJR

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

During the reporting period enemy activity was light. There was no positive or significant surveillance from 1/8 Arty this date. Totals are as follows:

PERSONNEL:

VC KIA (BC): 729 VC KIA (POSS): 1630

1.	Weapons	DES	DAM
	a. Mortars	17	2
	b. MG's	11	2
2.	Buildings	289	116
3.	Ammo dumps	1	0
4.	Bridges	10	0
5.	Trenches	3	0

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6. Sampans	105	7
7. Vehicles	3	3
8. Boats	14	0
9. Sec Exp	99	0
10. Bunkers	81	5

PLANS AND SUMMARY

MOVES: B/1/8 and Forward FDC moved from FSB Harrison to FSB Ewell.

PLANNED MOVES FOR 10 March: None.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION

The total amount of ammunition fired since arrival in country is 479,944 rds.

C/1/8 has one gun deadlined with a broken breech block handle. All other guns are operational.

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10 MARCH

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Special Operations: 2-34 ARMOR: in conjunction with elements of the Cu Chi National Police conducted a Cordon and Search of the village of Thai My vic XT5415 and XT5515, with negative results.

4/23 *meat*
 1-27 INF: Conducted airmobile combat assaults. At 2050 hrs, Battalion night location vic XT517218 received 10-15 rounds of 60MM mortar fire, resulting in 4 US WIA's, returned fire with counter mortar with unknown results. At 0435 hrs, Battalion night location vic XT517218 received 60-80 rounds of 60 and 82MM mortar fire, sustained 8 US WIA and 1 US KIA. Returned fire with counter mortar, results unknown. At 0816 hrs, Co B vic XT518245 received 1 round of RPG fire on LZ, supporting gunships engaged 1 platoon of VC with rockets and A/W resulting in 2 VC KIA (BC) and 3 VC KIA (POSS). At 0940 hrs, supporting gunships vic XT514243 engaged 3 VC, resulting in 3 VC KIA (BC). At 0950 hrs, Co B vic XT518243 received S/A fire from unknown number of VC, resulting in 1 US WIA. Returned fire with all organic weapons, VC losses unknown. At 1000 hrs, supporting gunships engaged an estimate VC platoon vic XT518239 with unknown results. At 1040 hrs, vic XT516243 supporting gunships received a heavy volume of A/W fire, negative hits or casualties. At 1340 hrs, supporting gunships vic XT524244 engaged an unknown number of VC, resulting in 6 VC KIA (BC). At 1345 hrs, Co's B and D vic XT525245 received a heavy volume of S/A, A/W and RPG fire from unknown number of VC, sustaining 1 US KIA and 2 US WIA, returned fire with all organic weapons with unknown results. At 1415 hrs, supporting gunships vic XT518243 engaged an unknown number of VC, resulting in 4 VC KIA (BC). *newest*

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 2-27 INF: Conducted Reconnaissance in Force Operations and provided security for Engineer elements on road clearing operations. At 1050 hrs, Co C vic XT568173 received 10 rounds of sniper fire with negative results. At 1105 hrs, Co C vic XT568176 received S/A, A/W and RPG fire from estimate VC platoon resulting in 1 US WIA, returned fire with all organic weapons with unknown results. At 1220 hrs, Co A vic XT553127 received S/A and A/W fire from unknown number of VC, resulting in 1 US WIA, returned fire with all organic weapons, LPT with unknown results. At 1710 hrs, Co A vic XT551187 engaged 1 VC sniper with S/A and A/W resulting in 1 VC KIA (BC).

TF 2-34 : Conducted a combined cordon and search of Thai My Village vic XT5415 and XT5515 in conjunction with elements of the Cu Chi National Police with negative results.

SUPPORTING AIR (FAC) At 1600 hrs, supporting air (FAC) vic XT519240 engaged unknown number of VC ~~in 4 VC KIA (BC)~~ and 4 VC KIA (POSS).

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1.	0001	Journal open.	M.J.R.
2.	0100	Div Arty--airborne resupplies as follows are scheduled: 0930: one Class I to C/1/8. 1000: one Class I to A/1/8. 1030: one Class III to C/1/8. 1430: four Class V to A/1/8, two aircraft. 1430: four Class V to C/1/8, two aircraft.	Ntly btrys. VC
3.	0515	Fwd FDC--C/6/77 at 0438 (FSB MacArthur) rcvd 50 to 60 rds 82mm mortar. Contact broken at 0455. Results: one US very slightly WIA, 1 vehicle slightly damaged.	Ntly Bn XO VC
4.	0630	Fwd FDC--Correction to report on C/6/77: there were 4 US WIA.	Ntly Bn XO VC
5.	0700	Fwd FDC--Prep for 1/27 LNO to fire at 0715 by B/1/8, C/6/77, C/3/13, in grids XT5125, XT5124, XT5222, XT5420, XT5319, XT5323. Prep may not come off due to population.	Ntly 2 Bds. VC
6.	1340	Div Arty--There was an airstrike in grid XT568179 at 1400 hrs with unknown results.	Ntly FDC HS
7.	1425	Div Arty--There was an airstrike in grid XT518243 with unknown results.	Ntly FDC HS
8.	1440	Div Arty--There was an airstrike in grid XT5124 at 1450 hr. Unknown results.	Ntly FDC HS
9.	1630	Discom (322)--Call back tomorrow in reference to Bn XO's sump-blowing.	Ntly FDC, Bn XO HS
10.	1928	Div Arty--There will be one each Spooky at 1930 hr in grid XT5124.	Ntly FDC HS

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11.	1955	FDC--requests security from FSB Pulaski to Main Supply Route for C/1/8, from S-3. S-3 stated that security had already been requested from 3rd Bde. Results: no definite information at this time.	Ntly S-3 GK
12.	2040	Div Arty CO--requests Bn CO contact him on landline ASAP.	Ntly Bn Hq. GK
13.	2055	Fwd FDC--At 1720 to 1830 hr in XT520240 Stinger elements have 15 VC KIA (BC) and 2 secondary explosions. C/6/77 expended 214 rds HE quick.	Ntly Div Arty JP
14.	2210	Fwd FDC--At 1830 to 1900 hr in XT518242 C/6/77 has 2 VC KIA (BC), 2 VC KIA (POSS).	Ntly Div Arty JP
15.	2340	Div Arty--Incoming rounds impacting in Cu Chi base camp. Estimate 4 to 6 rds rocket or mortar.	Siren. JP
16.	2350	Btrys--All btrys report negative damage, negative casualties.	Ntly Div Arty JP
17.	2400	Journal closed.	M.J.R.
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY			
During the reporting period enemy activity was light. C/1/8 fired two missions which resulted in one VC KIA (BC) today. Totals are as follows:			
PERSONNEL:			
VC KIA (BC): 730 VC KIA (POSS): 1630			
1. Weapons: DES DAM			
a. Mortars 17 2			
b. MG's 11 2			
2. Buildings 289 116			
3. Ammo dump s 1 0			
4. Bridges 10 0			
5. Trenches 3 0			
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6.	Sampans	105	7
7.	Vehicles	3	3
8.	Boats	14	0
9.	Sec Exp	99	0
10.	Bunkers	81	5

PLANS AND SUMMARY

MOVES: None.

PLANNED MOVES FOR 11 MARCH: C/1/8 to move from FSB
Pulaski to Cu Chi Base Camp.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION

The total amount of ammunition expended since
arrival in country is 481,991 rds.

All guns are operational.

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1.	0001	Journal open.	MJR			
2.	0005	Bn XO--The round received in base camp was a 122mm rocket. Point of impact XT648141.	Nbfy FDC JP			
3.	0020	S-2--122mm rocket impacted in grid XT656147 on an azimuth of 5950m.	Ntfy Div Arty JP			
4.	0350	Fwd FDC--2/34 Armor elements at 0115 received 30 rds 60mm mortar in grid XT531159. Results: 2 US KIA, 9 WIA.	Ntfy Div Arty JP			
5.	0635	Div Arty--Cu Chi base camp receiving incoming recoilless rifle rds at this time. Azimuth 2500m.	Siren. JP			
6.	0650	Div Arty--Stand-down at this time. Results: all batteries report negative damage, negative casualties.	Ntfy btrys. Ntfy Div Arty JP			
7.	0740	Fwd FDC--B/1/8 and C/3/13 fired prep in grids XT5114, XT5014, XT5214. Time: 0715. Results: B/1/8 fired 180 rds, C/3/13 fired 91 rds. LZ was cold.	Ntfy Div Arty JP			
8.	0745	Bn HQ--Bn CO departed Cu Chi at this time.	Ntfy FDC MJR			
9.	1130	Bn HQ-- Bn CO returned to Cu Chi at this time.	Ntfy FDC MJR			
10.	1215	C/6/77 Arty--1/27 elements learned from a VN family that the force which they encountered was an irregular force working in groups of five.	Ntfy S-2 GK			
11.	1220	C/6/77--D/1/27 elements got one VC KIA (BC), and found 2 RPG-7's and one VC grenade. Also found documents and medical supplies. VC BC credited to FAG. D/1/27 elements in XT519242 found 1 VC KIA (BC) from airstrike.	Ntfy S-2 GK			
12.	1220	C/6/77--1/27 elements in grid XT514240 found 1 AK-47, 1 RPG-7 launcher, 1 weapons cache. Also found 1 RPG-2 rd and 1 40mm canister with blood.	Ntfy S-2 GK			

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13.	1500	Bn XO--A/1/8 arrived at its night location at this time. Approx. Location grid XT768042: FSB Green. <i>Nhuanle post.</i>				Ntly Div Arty VC	
14.	1500	Fwd FDC--At 1145 hr in XT514240 found 1 VC KIA (EC), believed to be member of mortar team. Arty is credited for kill. The element involved was D/1/27.				Ntly Div Arty JP	
15.	1501	Fwd FDC--A/1/27 elements found 15 60mm rds in grid XT518238 at 1146 Hr. At 1200 hr in grid XT514240 D/1/27 found 3 AK-47's. At 1310 in XT519237 they found 2 anti-tank mines, 2 RPG-2 rds, and 1 82mm rd. At 1410 in grid XT557236 C/2/27 elements' touchdown LZ was cold.				Ntly Div Arty VC	
16.	2155	Div Arty--Reports negative counter-mortar targets for C/1/8 at this time.				Ntly C/1/8 JP	
17.	2305	Fwd FDC--reports it is receiving mortar rds.				Ntly Div Arty JP	
18.	2320	S3--Firemission for C/1/8: TOT, btry 2 rds, grid XT63352269. 1st rd fuze VT, 2nd rd fuze Quick, zone 1/2C, 5th Quadrant.				Ntly C/1/8 JP	
19.	2320	Fwd FDC--received 15 rds 60mm mortar. CM is in effect. Mortars landed outside perimeter.				Ntly Bn XO JP	
20.	2325	2nd Bde LNO--Agent report 33rd Wing Sec. C. Guard. 3 NVA Div in HoBo woods. 2 NVA Regt in Nhi Binh, XT8306. Mission: to attack Tan Son Nhut between 10 and 20 March. 25th G-2 UNEVAL.				Ntly S2. JP	
21.	2355	C/1/8--fired 12 VT, 48 HE Q.				Ntly Div Arty JP	
22.	2400	Journal closed.				MJR.	
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4. Bridges	10	0
5. Trenches	3	0
6. Sampans	105	7
7. Vehicles	3	3
8. Boats	14	0
9. Sec Exp	99	0
10. Bunkers	81	5

PLANS AND SUMMARY

MOVES: A/1/8 moved from FSB Pulaski to FSB Green.

~~C/1/8 moved from FSB Pulaski to Cu Chi.~~

PLANNED MOVES FOR 12 March: B/1/8 to move from FSB Ewell to Trung Lap. C/1/8 to move from Cu Chi to Trung Lap.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 482,303 rds.

All guns remain operational.

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1.	0001	Journal open.			0001	12 Mar 68	2400	12 Mar 68
2.	0007	Fwd FDC--SITREP on mortar attack; times from 2315 to 2330 hr, took 10 to 15 rds of unknown size. B/1/8 fired 19 rds counter-mortar with unknown results. Neg damage, neg casualties.						
3.	0130	Div Arty--from Bao Trai through 2nd Bde 92; time of sight 1000 hr 11 March, agent report from Duc Hue sub-sector: 267 Bn, Co. Tam Hao 269 Bn, are coordinated at grids XT397131 and XT393126. VC closed Vam Co Dong (XT395133) and moved east to Loc Giang by sampans. Strength 400 men. Weapons: BARs, 30 cal MG's, anti-aircraft weapons, 60mm and 82mm mortars, small arms and auto weapons. ARVN rating "B-1", US rating "F-3".						
4.	0740	Fwd FDC--C/1/27 in XT673177 found 25 1-man prone positions dug into the ground.						
5.	0850	A/1/8--requests that 20,000 sandbags be sent to his location.						
6.	1012	Bn XO--Convoy has departed at this time.						
7.	1018	Bn XO--All elements have cleared Cu Chi.						
8.	1018	Bn CO--departed Cu Chi at this time.						
9.	1030	Bn CO--arrived and landed in Trung Lap.						
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10.	1123	Fwd FDC--Prep for 7/11 Arty over at this time. Rounds fired: 649. 1/27 Inf sweeping area, SITREP negative. 2/27 SITREP negative.						Ntfy FDC MJR	
11.	1145	Bn XO--C/1/8 arrived FSB Patton at 1145 hr.						Ntfy Div Arty VC	
12.	1150	Bn CO--returns to Cu Chi at this time.						Ntfy Bn HQ VC	
13.	1202	FDC--requests helicopter for Bn CO from 0730 to 1130 tomorrow.						Ntfy Div Arty MJR	
14.	1210	Div Arty--New KAC-QY-259 is in effect as of 1200 hr 12 March. The old one was compromised. (Div Arty ntfy Fwd FDC)						Ntfy FDC MJR	
15.	1405	Bn XO--message was relayed to Maint Off to get a wrecker to retrieve the down vehicle. Fwd FDC departed FSB Ewell for FSB Patton at 1435 hr.						Ntfy Maint Off LN	
16.	1434	S3--Fwd FDC, (B/1/8, C/3/13 departed FSB Ewell.)						Ntfy Div Arty Ntfy Bn CO. LN	
17.	1450	Div Arty--Flight for Bn CO from 1630 to 1730 hr.						Ntfy Bn CO VC	
18.	1505	S2--(B/1/8 closing on Trung Lap at this time.)						Ntfy Div Arty Ntfy Bn CO LN	
19.	1641	Bn XO--Co. A, 65 Engr, require a bulldozer 24-volt generator.						Ntfy S4 VC	
20.	1700	Div Arty--US elements in contact at XT572011.						Ntfy FDC DW	
21.	1700	Fwd FDC--requests ARVN and US clearance on grid XT6322, for 200-meter height-of-burst.						Ntfy Div Arty MJR	
22.	1705	C/1/8--Malfunction 63512209, grid XT6332.						Ntfy Div Arty MJR	
23.	1720	Bn XO--vehicles cannot return. S4 will set up aerial resupply of sandbags and barbed wire ASAP.						Ntfy Ammo Off MJR.	
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24.	1728	Bn CO--will return to Cu Chi in 5 minutes.				Ntfy Bn HQ MJR	
25.	1800	S4--wants to know what time the roads will be open for resupply to Trung Lap tomorrow.				Ntfy Div Transp Off GK	
26.	1800	Div Transp Off--Road clearing party departs at 0600 hr. The road should be cleared by 1800 hr.				Ntfy S4 GK	
27.	2150	2nd Bde LNO--People Sniffer mission: 0915 to 1045 hr tomorrow in grids XT3815 to XT4315, XT4311 to XT3811.				Ntfy Fwd FDC JP	
28.	2222	Div Arty--Bn CO's helicopter is from 1000 to 1330 hrs on 13 March.				Ntfy Bn HQ. JP	
29.	2400	Journal closed.				MJR.	
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY							
During the reporting period enemy activity was light. There was no positive or significant surveillance from 1/8 Arty units this date. Totals are as follows:							
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VC KIA (BC): 730 VC KIA (POSS): 1630							
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b. MG's		11		2			
2. Buildings		289		116			
3. Ammo dump s		1		0			
4. Bridges		10		0			
5. Trenches		3		0			
6. Sanpans		105		7			
7. Vehicles		3		3			
8. Boats		14		0			
9. Sec Exp		99		0			
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PLANS SUMMARY

MOVES: C/1/8 moved from Cu Chi to FSB Patton,
at grid XT593217. B/1/8 moved to FSB Patton.

PLANNED MOVES FOR 13 March: None.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 482,703 rds.

All guns remain operational.

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1.	0001	Journal open.			MJR.	
2.	0710	2nd Bde LNO--Results of contact by 3/11 Armor on 12 March: 1 US KIA, 16 WIA, 4 tanks hit, 1 APC hit.			Ntfy S2. MJR	
3.	0715	2nd Bde LNO--PO President and PO Girl have been compromised. They are no longer in effect.			Ntfy Fwd FDC JP	
4.	0755	Fwd FDC--A/2/27 elements are down in grid XT5723. LZ is cold.			Ntfy Div Arty JP	
5.	1130	Fwd FDC--A/2/27 elements at 1000 hr in grid XT571231 found one A.T. mine. At 1115 in XT570229 found one VC claymore, which they destroyed. 7/11 element (60) in XT606272 found one VC rest camp, 3 bunkers 4½ ft deep x8x10, spider holes and fighting positions.			Ntfy Div Arty VC	
6.	1238	Fwd FDC--7/11 element (63) at 1215 in XT602271 found one 155mm dud fuze intact (BT). One 155 AT mine destroyed. At XT602272 an APC hit a mine, resulting in one road wheel blown off, 1 minor eccentric damaged. In XT601272 found 40 AK-47 and 2 carbines; 8 fuze pits, holes 2x2½; one US claymore.			Ntfy Div Arty VC	
7.	1655	Radar--will be down for approx 20 minutes to change generators.			Ntfy FDC MJR	
8.	1722	FDC--Message for Hq cook: ice, shortning, and a square-head pan are with C/1/8.			Ntfy Fwd FDC JP	
9.	2040	2nd Bde LNO--G2 reports at 2000 hr, Tay Ninh east, a VC mortar and ground attack; at Go Dau Ha, 2300 hr, ARVN rating B-1, US C-3.			Ntfy S2. VC	
10.	2202	Fwd FDC--C/3/13 fired at a target, range 1000 meters, deflection 3700m, using WP. Results: 1 secondary explosion, one 50-foot white shooting star with a				

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11.	2204	Fwd FDC--C/3/13 fired 18 rds WP resulting in 2 confirmed secondary explosions.	Ntly FDC JP																																							
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1.	0001	Journal open.	
		MJR.	
2.	0150	Div Arty--Cu Chi basecamp receiving incoming rds at this time. 4 or 5 rds 75mm recoilless rifle or 82mm mortar.	
		Siren. JP	
3.	0205	Btrys--All btrys report neg damage, neg casualties. Ntfy Div Arty JP	
4.	0213	Div Arty--Stand-down at this time.	
		Ntfy btrys. JP	
5.	0443	Div Arty--Cu Chi basecamp receiving incoming rockets at this time.	
		Siren. Ntfy Bn XO JP	
6.	0643	2nd Bde LNO--B/1/27 at 0105 in XT531200 surrounded 3 VC, captured 2. Person that escaped had a weapon, 1 Chicom grenade, web belt.	
		Ntfy Div Arty. JP	
7.	0645	2nd Bde LNO--D/1/27 at 0155 in XT513207 found medical supplies.	
		Ntfy Div Arty. JP	
8.	0735	OH-23 Pilot--will land in Trung Lap in 3 minutes to pick up Bn CO.	
		Ntfy FDC. MJR	
9.	0915	Ammo Off--Class I resupply for A/1/8 to begin at 1030 hr.	
		Ntfy FDC. MJR	
10.	1015	Fwd FDC--2/34 Armor element at 0930 in XT592268 found one tunnel 3x4x6 feet.	
		Ntfy Div Arty VC	
11.	1200	Fwd FDC--B/1/5 Mech in XT516153 found 11 rds 82mm mortar, 4 2.7-in rocket warheads, 8 RPG-7 boosters, 1 AT mine, US WWII type; 1 Chicom grenade, 4 Chicom claymores, with firing devices, 3 bangalore torpedoes, 24 homemade grenades (made from soda cans); 1 US cal .30 MG, 1 RPG launcher, 6 RPG-7 rds; 1 60mm mortar tube, 1 82mm mortar tube, 1 82mm tripod with telescope; and 36 AK-47's.	
		Ntfy Div Arty VC	

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LATE ENTRY

Source: 2nd Bde INTSUM, 13 Mar 68, item 31. 1/8
 Arty supporting 2/14 Inf in XT664295 engaged 3 sampans.
 Results: 1 sampan destroyed, 2 damaged.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

During the reporting period enemy activity was light.
 There was no positive or significant surveillance from 1/8

Arty this date. Totals are as follows:

PERSONNEL:

VC KIA (BC): 730 VC KIA (POSS): 1630

1. Weapons	DES	DAM
a. Mortars	17	2
b. MG's	11	2
2. Buildings	289	116
3. Ammo dumps	1	0
4. Bridges	10	0
5. Trenches	3	0
6. Sampans	106	9
7. Vehicles	3	3
8. Boats	14	0
9. Sec Exp	99	0
10. Bunkers	81	5

PLANS AND SUMMARY

MOVES: None.

PLANNED MOVES FOR 15 March: None.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION

The total number of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 484,399 rds.

A/1/8 has one gun deadlined to end of tube life.

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1.	0001	Journal open.	MJR.
2.	0530	Div Arty--Cu Chi basecamp receiving incoming rocket or mortar rds at this time.	Siren. JP
3.	0545	Btrys--all btrys report negative damage, negative casualties.	Ntfy Div Arty JP
4.	0551	Div Arty--Stand-down at this time.	Ntfy btrys. JP
5.	0720	2nd Bde LNO-- <u>8/1/5</u> and <u>2/34</u> Armor at 1845 on 14 March in XT574271 found one VC document. C/1/5 at 1838 on 14 March in XT574271 found 3 graves containing one body each.	Ntfy FDC JP
6.	0730	2nd Bde LNO--2/27 aircraft at 0930 on 14 March in XT546180 recvd small arms and auto weapons fire, and rifle grenade fire, from a reinforced VC platoon. LFT, arty and airstrikes were used to return fire. Results: 3 US KIA, 12 WIA, 2 VC KIA (BC).	Ntfy FDC. JP
7.	0840	Fwd FDC--Prep for <u>1/27</u> Inf in grid XT543293 lasted from 0755 to 0815. C/1/8 fired 108 rds, C/3/13 fired 126 rds, C/6/77 fired 144 rds. Total 378 rds.	Ntfy Div Arty JP
8.	0926	Fwd FDC--A/2/27 elements in XT548188 found shell casings from M-16, M-79, and RPG ordnance.	Ntfy Div Arty SR
9.	1100	Fwd FDC--1/5 Mech found 900 lbs rice in XT575272. 4/23 Armor in XT572272 found 1000 lbs rice, and a pit 3 ft wide, of unknown depth, filled with rice.	Ntfy Div Arty VC
10.	1115	Fwd FDC--D/2/27 elements in XT544203 found numerous fighting positions. They are destroying the positions as they go along.	Ntfy Div Arty SR
11.	1145	Fwd FDC--D/2/27 elements in XT545200 found unk amount AK-47 rds, 1 Chicom grenade, and 30 gal fuel oil.	Ntfy Div Arty. SR

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Fwd FDC--received 2 incoming rds, possibly 60mm mortar. Results: 3 US WIA from C/3/13.

Ntly Div Arty, SI,
Bn HQ. VC

13.

1416

Fwd FDC--dustoff complete.

Ntly Div Arty. VC

14.

1450

Div Arty--AO Duty has been extended to 2400 on 22 March 1968.

Ntly FDC. VC

15.

1505

Fwd FDC--C/1/27 Inf had contact at 1355 hr in grid XT575306. Contact broken at 1455. Results: 4 US WIA. 1 Gunship went down: total loss; Crew all right. Location: XT585308.

Ntly Div A rty VC

16.

1540

Fwd FDC--receiving incoming rds at this time. Total: 7 rds, type unk. C/3/13 has 2 WIA.

Ntly Div Arty, SI,
Bn HQ. VC

17.

1815

Fwd FDC--receiving incoming rds at this time.

Ntly Div Arty. VC

18.

2000

Fwd FDC--Rcvd 2 rds 82mm mortar. Results: negative casualties, negative damage.

Ntly Div Arty, Bn
HQ. VC

19.

2400

Journal closed.

MJR.

LATE ENTRY

2nd Bde LNO--1/27 NL at 2120 on 14 March was XT517218. Received 3 rds 60mm mortar with neg. casualties. Returned fire with counter-mortar program. B/1/27 AP engaged 3 VC with Small Arms and M-79's. VC returned fire with rifle grenades. Results: 2 VC KIA (BC), 1 AK-47, 1 US carbine captured.

Ntly FDC JP

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

During the reporting period enemy activity was moderate. There was no positive or significant surveillance from 1/8 Arty this date. Totals are as follows:

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PERSONNEL:

VC KIA (BC): 730 VC KIA (POSS): 1630

		DES	DAM
1. Weapons			
a. Mortars	17		2
b. MG's	11		2
2. Buildings	289		116
3. Ammo dumps	1		0
4. Bridges	10		0
5. Trenches	3		0
6. Sampans	106		9
7. Vehicles	3		3
8. Boats	14		0
9. Sec Exp	99		0
10. Bunkers	81		5

PLANS SUMMARY

MOVES: None.

PLANNED MOVES FOR 16 March: None.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 485,634 rds.
All guns are operational.

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1.	0001	Journal open.		MJR.
2.	0005	FDC--will send Fwd FDC the following items: 1 55-gal drum 30-wt oil, supply of Clearance Forms, bug spray, and 1 box (850 rds) M-16 ammo.		Ntly Fwd FDC. VC
3.	0920	Fwd FDC--A/1/27 elements in grid XT5630 found 1 carbine, 2 RPG rds, and medical supplies.		Ntly Div Arty VC
4.	1030	Fwd FDC--A/1/27 elements in grid XT5730 found in a tunnel complex 1 Russian carbine, 1 AK-47, some rice, fish, and Russian grenades.		Ntly Div Arty. VC
5.	1110	Fwd FDC--A/1/27 elements in XT5730 found 2 large tunnels 200 meters long, containing clothing, one weapon, and assorted medical gear. Also found some BA-30 batteries.		Ntly Div Arty. VC
6.	1110	Fwd FDC--C/2/27 elements in XT572252 found 2 caches of salt totalling 1900 lbs.		Ntly Div Arty. VC
7.	1110	(Fwd FDC--D/2/27 and B/1/8 elements in XT579222 destroyed) Pins from booster, tunnel and bunker complex.		Ntly Div Arty. VC
8.	1130	FDC--requested aircraft for Bn CO from 0730 to 1130 hrs. on 17 March.		Ntly Div Arty. VC
9.	1130	Fwd FDC--A/1/27 elements are returning to NL. 3/22 Inf elements are going to destroy a bunker complex in grid XT5828.		Ntly FDC. VC
10.	1130	2nd Bde LNO--Road block 200 meters north of northmost town in Cu Chi area.		Ntly FDC. VC
11.	1205	Fwd FDC--B/2/27 elements are airborne. PZ cold.		Ntly Div Arty. VC
12.	1230	C/6/77--D/2/27 elements at XT560178 report LZ cold.		Ntly Div Arty. VC
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13.	1325	C/6/77--D/2/27 elements at XT587194, C/2/27 elements at XT585175. Negative contact.	Ntly FDC. MJR			
14.	1350	Fwd FDC--B/2/27 elements closing NL.	Ntly Div Arty. VC			
15.	1350	C/6/77--C/2/27 and D/2/27 elements report negative contact.	Ntly FDC. VC			
16.	1450	Fwd FDC--(A/1/27, C/1/27, A/2/27, C/2/27, D/2/27) all closed their NL's. 7/11 elements (63) at XT595303 found one each VC body, about 1 week old, killed by airstrike. In XT596303 found 1 butterfly bomb.	Ntly Div Arty VC			
17.	1530	Fwd FDC--C/3/13 Arty reports that C/4/23 elements in XT600302 found one complete tilted mine, in XT601301 found 4 AT mines in a hole.	Ntly FDC. MJR			
18.	1555	Div Arty--3/13 Abty Bn CO located 3 trenchlines running along road at XT570533.	Ntly FDC. MHR			
19.	1603	Div Arty--2/34 Armor elements in XT595303 found 2 bunkers with a butterfly bomb, 1 French bolt-action rifle.	Ntly FDC. MJR			
20.	2130	Fwd FDC--At 2000 hr a LP detected movement to their front, 300 meters SW of their location. LP was called back into perimeter, and C/1/8 fired a "Killer Junior," expending 6 rds. Target will be investigated in the morning.	Ntly 2nd Bde. JR			
21.	2150	Div Arty--Due to aircraft shortage Bn CO will have aircraft from 0730 to 0930 only.	Ntly Fwd FDC. JR			
22.	2300	Fwd FDC--B/1/27 AP at 2220 hr reported receiving RPG rds and auto weapons fire. C/6/77 fired 15 rds in support. Negative US casualties.	Ntly Div Arty SR			
23.	2305	Fwd FDC--At 2205 hr, C/1/27 LP spotted 22 personnel to				

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their front. They engaged the target with hand grenades. The personnel turned out to be a lost AP. Negative US casualties.

Ntly Div Arty. SR

24.

2400

Journal closed.

MJR.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

During the reporting period enemy activity was light. C/1/8 fired 6 rds on a target with not-yet-determined results. Totals are as follows:

~~PERSONNEL:~~

VC KIA (BC): 730

VC KIA (POSS): 1630

1. Weapons

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a. Mortars

17

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b. MG's

11

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2. Buildings

289

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3. Ammo dumps

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4. Bridges

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5. Trenches

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6. Sampans

106

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7. Vehicles

3

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8. Boats

14

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9. Sec Exp

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10. Bunkers

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PLANS SUMMARY

MOVES: None

PLANNED MOVES FOR 17 March: None.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 486,127 rds.

A/1/8 has 1 gun deadlined to end of tube life.

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1.	0001	Journal open.		MJR.	
2.	0700	2nd Bde LNO--At 1900 hr on 16 March in XT586303 2/34 Armor LRRP engaged 9 VC with small arms and auto weapons. VC returned fire with small arms and auto weapons. The LRRP was extracted at 2145 hr. Results: Negative US casualties, 6 VC KIA (BC), 3 VC KIA (POSS). One Russian SKS rifle captured.		Ntly Div Arty SR	
3.	0700	2nd Bde LNO--At 2210 on 16 March in XT529270 an AP from B/1/27 engaged unk number of VC with small arms and 81mm mortar. VC returned fire with small arms, auto weapons, and RPG-2's. VC broke contact at 2307 hr. Results: negative US casualties, VC casualties unk.		Ntly Div Arty SR	
4.	1020	Fwd FDC--wants to know who is going to clear the road, at what time they will start clearing, when the road will be clear, and for how long.		Ntly 2nd Bde. SR	
5.	1055	Fwd FDC--2/34 Armor element found 2 lbs documents, located in tunnel, and destroyed 6 bunkers, all in grid XT615292.		Ntly Div Arty JR	
6.	1125	Fwd FDC--C/6/77 reports D/1/27 elements in grid XT527206 found a trench, 200 meters long, 18 inches wide, 2 1/2 feet deep, running north and south.		7107 THS Ntly Div Arty JR	
7.	1308	Fwd FDC--D/1/27 location is at XT533198. B/1/27 at XT533196 have one VC detainee.		Ntly Div Arty SR	
8.	1845	S2--the road to Trung Lap will be open at 1000 hr.		Ntly S4, S3, FDC VC	
9.	1930	Div Arty--Helicopter arranged for Bn Co from 0730 to 1130 tomorrow.		Ntly Fwd FDC VC	
10.	2050	Fwd FDC--ARVN are firing illumination rds to the south of FSB Patton. 1/8 units not firing at this time.		Ntly Div Arty VC	
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11.	2055	Fwd FDC--RPG's going off outside the perimeter on an azimuth of 52004, range 500 meters.	Notify 2nd Bde VC
12.	2115	Fwd FDC--Requests we contact A-65th Engr and have mail sent out for personnel named Aukema.	Notify A-65 Engr VC
13.	2400	Journal closed	MJR.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

During the reporting period enemy activity was light. There was no positive or significant surveillance from 1/8 Arty this date. Totals are as follows:

PERSONNEL

VC KIA (EC): 730 VC KIA (POSS): 1630

1. weapons	DES	DAM
a. Mortars	17	2
b. MG's	11	2
2. Buildings	289	116
3. Ammo dumps	1	0
4. Bridges	10	0
5. Trenches	3	0
6. Sampans	106	9
7. Vehicles	3	3
8. Boats	14	0
9. Sec Exp	99	0
10. Bunkers	81	5

PLANS SUMMARY

MOVES: None

PLANNED MOVES FOR 18 March: None.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 486,758 rd.

A/1/8 has one gun deadlined due to end of tube life.

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1.	0001	Journal open.		MJR.	
2.	0610	2nd Bde LNO--1/27 Inf NL starting at 1920 hr on 17 March was XT517218. They received 7 or 8 rds of 60mm mortar, returned fire with counter-mortar program, starting 1925 hr. Results: 4 US WIA, VC losses unk. An RPG from 1/5 Mech at 0325 in grid XT539211 engaged 6 VC. VC broke contact at 0332 hr. Results: 2 VC KIA (BC), 2 VC KIA (POSS), 2 pistols captured.		Ntfy FDC. VC	
3.	0840	Fwd FDC--C/2/27 elements in XT583169 found 5 graves, 3 fresh. They are presently engaged in digging up the graves.		Ntfy Div Arty. VC	
4.	1000	Fwd FDC--C/4/23 Mech elements at 0925 in XT589304 found 4 bodies in green kakhi uniform; bodies were 1 to 4 months old. Airstrikes were responsible for the deaths. Also found 1 gasmask, 3 canteens, 4 82mm mortar fuze.		Ntfy Div Arty. VC	
5.	1010	Fwd FDC--2/34 LNO found in XT589304 one old shot gun made out of old lead pipe.		Ntfy Div Arty. VC	
6.	1033	Fwd FDC--C/4/23 Mech at 1028 in XT588304 found one 55-gallon drum of US "CS" gas.		Ntfy Div Arty. VC	
7.	1045	Fwd FDC--B/2/27 elements are now leaving FFL of their NL at old FSB Ewell.		Ntfy FDC. VC	
8.	1110	Fwd FDC--Dustoff for one 2/27 personnel who fell out of hammock and wrenched back. Location: FSB Patton.		Ntfy Div Arty. VC	
9.	1131	Commo Sgt--Convoy has departed for FSB Patton.		Ntfy Div Arty. VC	
10.	1132	Fwd FDC--At 0100 today C/1/8 fired on XT638244, a suspect VC rocket location. A rocket site with 4 fuzes, 26 HE cans from 122mm rocket found by D3 patrol.		Ntfy Div Arty. VC	

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11.	1255	Commo Sgt--Convoy arrived at Fwd FDC location at this time.		Ntfy FDC. VC	
12.	1505	Fwd FDC--A/1/27 elements at XT568213 found 4 bunkers 2x4 ft with 6" overhead cover, with one boobytrap outside the bunkers. At grid XT535213 found 1 AK-47. 2/14 Inf elements in XT633283 found a 50-meter trench, 2 tunnels 8x9 ft, 1 pair black pajamas. D/2/14 elements in XT633255 found 2 bunkers 6x8 ft with 2" overhead cover, 1 complete and 2 half-complete rocket positions, caps and fuzes for 122mm rockets. At XT633256 found 5 bunkers 5x8 ft with 12" overhead cover. B/2/14 elements in XT641233 found 2 rifle grenades, 4 tunnels 8x9 ft, 4 recently used bunkers with sleeping quarters, 3 fuzes for 122mm rocket. A/2/14 elements in XT634262 found 5 lbs salt, 9 rifle grenade adapters. In XT652238 found 1 Thompson submachine gun, in XT642232 found 1 rocket site pointing southeast.		Ntfy Div Arty VC	
13.	1605	Fwd FDC--A/2/27 elements in XT566213 found 1 VC body. In XT563215 a Tomahawk Air Cav gunship killed 2 VC (BC).		Ntfy Div Arty JR	
14.	1912	Fwd FDC--C/6/77 received 27 incoming rds. on an azimuth of 2400m, range 1000 meters. Attack lasted until 1914 hr. Suspect coming from XT530207.		Ntfy FDC. VC	
15.	2045	Div Arty--AN/TPS-25A Radar report: 2005 hr, XT59342248, 3-4 moving personnel; 2040 hr, XT60392456, 3-4 personnel; 1850 hr, XT63532434, 3-4 personnel; 1850, XT58672533, 3-4 personnel; 1850, XT54411956, 3-4 personnel; 1850, XT58372358, 3-4 personnel.		Ntfy 2nd Bde. VC	
16.	2100	Div Arty--Bunker 2 spotted lights about 800 meters from perimeter on azimuth of 2800m. 8 rds HE Quick fired. Negative surveillance.		Ntfy FDC. JR	
17.	2200	Fwd FDC--C/1/27 elements report movement to their front in XT5121.		Ntfy Div Arty. JR	
18.	2400	Journal closed.		MJR.	
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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY					
During the reporting period enemy activity was light.					
(C/1/8 fired on a rocket position, resulting in 4 fuzes and 26 cans of HE for 122mm rocket being captured.)					
Totals are as follows:					
PERSONNEL:					
VC KIA (EC): 730 VC KIA (POSS): 1630					
1. Weapons DES DAM					
a. Mortars 17 2					
b. MG's 11 2					
2. Buildings 289 116					
3. Ammo dumps 1 0					
4. Bridges 10 0					
5. Trenches 3 0					
6. Sampans 106 9					
7. Vehicles 3 3					
8. Boats 14 0					
9. Sec Exp 99 0					
10. Bunkers 81 5					
PLANS SUMMARY					
MOVES: None.					
PLANNED MOVES FOR 19 March: None.					
OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION					
The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 487,072 rds.					
A/1/8 has one gun remaining deadlined.					
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1.	0001	Journal open.		MJR.	
2.	0600	Fwd FDC--C/6/77 in XT58082248, firing close-in fires. One secondary explosion at 0530 hr. Azimuth of firing 3656m.		Ntfy 2nd Bde. VC	
3.	1015	Fwd FDC--D/2/27 elements in XT595175 found one AT mine. In XT592172 found one 105mm dud, rusty. No prep for 2/27 today.		Ntfy Div Arty. JR	
4.	1120	Bwd FDC--wants either the S2 or his representative out in the field at all times, when there is a forward location.		Ntfy S2. JR	
5.	1355	Fwd FDC--SITREP: 1/27 Inf: negative; they are in their night location. 7/11 Arty: negative contact; C/1/8: firing on suspected VC location. 2/34 Armor: moving to new location. A/2/27 and D/2/27 elements encountered 2 Chicom grenades, resulting in 6 people injured to include D/2/27 FO (Lt. Tata). There are 3 or 4 VC in XT577133; arty is firing on them.		Ntfy FDC. JR	
6.	1445	2/27 LNO--D/2/27 FO was wounded in XT577173 at 1130 hr, along with 7 other people. 6 were dusted off; the FO and one other were not.		Ntfy FDC. RB	
7.	1520	Fwd FDC--C/2/14 Inf, supported by C/1/8, had snipers in XT661279. Snipers are active at this time. Div Arty CO is in the area.		Ntfy Div Arty. RB	
8.	1815	Fwd FDC--reports 2 rds 60mm mortar incoming. Rds landed inside perimeter in C/1/8 position. 4 rds landed outside perimeter. Location of mortar XT58472153, azimuth of 3486m, range 950-1400 meters. Artillery is firing. Results at this time: negative US damage or casualties, VC losses unknown.		Ntfy Div Arty JR	
9.	1900	Div Arty--confirmation of request for helicopter for Bn CO from 0730 to 1130 tomorrow.		Ntfy Bn HQ. RB	
10.	2120	Fwd FDC--all elements report negative SITREP.		Ntfy FDC. RB	

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11.	2205	S2--Locations of VC elements: 88th Regt: XT7025. 101st Regt: XT5917, dispersed; one Bn at XT7503. 141st Regt: XT7911. 1st Bn 165th Regt: XT5803. 208th Rocket Regt: XT7708; 2nd Bn 208th Rocket Regt: XT6732; 3rd Bn 208th Rocket Regt: XT7506. 267B Bn: XS6893. 267th and 269th VC Bn's: XT4803. 271st Regt: Hoc Mon area, dispersed. 272 Regt CP: XT693262; one Bn at XT6006; 2nd Bn 272 Regt: XT5551. 273rd Regt: XT7522. 506th Bn: XS5797.	Ntfy Fwd FDC. RB	
12.	2300	2nd Bde LNO--LZ for 2/14 Inf: XT640294. NL for 2/27 Inf: XT558172.	Ntfy Fwd FDC. VC	
13.	2300	S2--Helicopter for Bn CO confirmed: 0630 hr, 20 March, at Blaster Pad.	Ntfy Bn CO. VC	
14.	2359	Fwd FDC--SITREP: No change.	Ntfy FDC. VC	
15.	2400	Journal closed.	MJR.	
LATE ENTRIES				
1930		2nd Bde LNO--C/4/23 CP's at XT601219, XT593298, XT594301. 2/14 AP's at XT629253, XT644273, XT625232.	Ntfy Fwd FDC. RB	
1955		Fwd FDC--4 rds counter-mortar fired on azimuth of 34804, range 1500 meters, at 1815 hrs. Zone 1-C. Surveillance negative.	Ntfy Div Arty. RB	
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY				
During the reporting period enemy activity was light. There was no positive or significant surveillance from 1/8 Arty this date. Totals are as follows:				
PERSONNEL:				
VC KIA (EC): 730 VC KIA (POSS): 1630				
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1.	Weapons	DES	DAM
	A. Mortars	17	2
	B. MG's	11	2
2.	Buildings	289	116
3.	Ammo dumps	1	0
4.	Bridges	10	0
5.	Trenches	3	0
6.	Sampans	106	9
7.	Vehicles	3	3
8.	Boats	14	0
9.	Sec Exp	99	0
10.	Bunkers	81	5

PLANS SUMMARY

MOVES: None

PLANNED MOVES FOR 20 March: None

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 487,762 rds.

A/1/8 still has one gun deadlined due to tubelife ending.

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1.	0001	Journal open.				MJR.			
2.	0100	Fwd FDC--SITREP: no change.				Ntly FDC. VC			
3.	0130	B/1/8--needs 3 A-22 bags, 11 12-foot slings, 4 16-ft slings, 8 donuts, 1 5-inch clevis, 6 #3 clevis, 6 #6 clevis, 7 cargo nets.				Ntly Ammo Off. VC			
4.	0230	Fwd FDC--SITREP: no change.				Ntly FDC. VC			
5.	0330	Fwd FDC--SITREP: no change.				Ntly FDC. VC			
6.	0600	Fwd FDC--SITREP: no change.				Ntly FDC. VC			
7.	0715	Fwd FDC--Prep for 2/14 Inf to begin at 1000 in grid XT6528. Prep for 2/34 Armor to begin at 0750 in grid XT6129.				Ntly 2nd Bde VC			
8.	0729	Fwd FDC--B/1/8, C/1/8 and Fwd FDC departed FSB Patton at this time.				Ntly FDC. JR			
9.	0845	Fwd FDC--B/1/8, C/1/8 and Fwd FDC arrived at FSB Helleck in XT5929 at this time.				Ntly FDC. JR			
10.	0943	Fwd FDC--B/1/8 laid and ready to fire at this time. C/1/8 laid and ready to fire at 0950.				Ntly Div Arty JR			
11.	0945	B/1/8--requests 4 16-ft slings for lumber and PSP, 5 #6 clevises, 1 rope net.				Ntly Ammo Off, S4 LN			
12.	1017	269th Avn A/C--dropped a sortie containing one 105mm howitzer and ammo, at 1015 hr. Personnel are policing up the dropped equipment in grid XT591256, and will destroy in place.				C/1/8 Ntly FDC. JR			
13.	1040	S3--notified Bn CO that C/3/13 old location received							
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13 cont		one incoming rd at 1045 hr, outside perimeter. Results: neg damage, neg casualties.				Ntfy Div Arty JR		
14.	1115	Fwd FDC--reports that C/3/13 in Fwd FDC's old location received about 12 60mm mortars and 2 RPG's. Results: negative damage, negative casualties.				Ntfy Div Arty JR		
15.	1130	2nd Bde LNO--2nd Bde S2 reports 800 VC in grids XT564186 and XT546197. US Rating: "B-3."				Ntfy FDC JR		
16.	1330	Div Arty--AO Crazyhorse II expires today at 1400 hours. AO Duty is extended until 2400 on 4 April.				Ntfy FDC JR		
17.	1345	Fwd FDC--B/1/8, C/1/8, C/3/13, D/3/13 fired prep for 2/14 Inf, expending a total of 280 rds HE. B/1/8 and C/1/8 are now firing a contact mission for 2/14 Inf in XT648275.				Ntfy Div Arty JR		
18.	1445	2nd Bde LNO--2/27 Inf reports VC in XT569168, VC in open in XT570165. (Near village of Cay Tram). Contacted LNO for arty.				Ntfy Fwd FDC RB		
19.	1645	2nd Bde LNO--SITREPs: R/2/34 at 0802 in grid XT607289 destroyed 2 dud 155mm rds. At 0856 in XT613269 destroyed 3 dud 175mm rds and 1 12-lb AT mine. C/4/23 at 1234 hr in XT617288 located 1 VC body, dressed in kakhi uniform, killed by A rty. C/1/5 at 1420 in XT629293 received RPG and small arms fire from an estimated VC company. Returned fire with small arms, auto weapons, and artillery. Results: 2 tanks have minor damage, 4 US WIA, VC losses unknown.				Ntfy FDC VC		
20.	1730	Div Arty--AO Masher and Masher Ext. will terminate today at 1800 hours.				Ntfy FDC VC		
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21.	1840	C/6/77--received 10 rds 60mm mortar at 1830 hr. Results: neg damage, neg casualties.	Ntly 2nd Bde RB
22.	1840	Div Arty CO--message to Bn CO: In the past few days there have been a rash of dropped loads due to sling failure on air moves. Pending further study of equipment on hand and rigging techniques, all loads that can be, will be double slung. I.E. howitzers, A-22 bags, etc. A 100-percent inspection of all air mobile equipment will be accomplished, and a report rendered to this headquarters, ATTN: S-3, not later than 221200 March. Particular attention will be paid to cuts, frays, and dry rot.	Ntly FDC. RB
23.	2105	Fwd FDC--2/27 Inf elements rcvd 6 rds mortar fire on Main Supply Route. Results: neg damage, neg casualties.	Ntly Div Arty VC
24.	2230	Div Arty--Confirmation of helicopter for Bn CO, from 0730 to 1130 hr tomorrow.	Ntly FDC. VC
25.	2230	Fwd FDC--Dustoff for one man from B/1/8: he bought a drink on the local economy, later reported stomach cramps.	Ntly Div Arty VC
26.	2250	Fwd FDC--B/1/27 elements ambushed in XT556198 at 2025 hr. Rcvd AK-47 and 60mm mortar fire, returned fire with 4.2-in mortar. Results: Neg damage, neg casualties, VC losses unk.	Ntly Div Arty VC
27.	2400	Fwd FDC--SITREP: no change.	Ntly FDC VC
28.	2400	JOURNAL CLOSED.	MJR
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY			
During the reporting period enemy activity was moderate. There was no positive or significant surveillance from 1/8 Arty this date. Totals are as follows:			
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1.	0001	JOURNAL OPEN.		MJR	
2.	0100	Fwd FDC--SITREP: No change.		Ntly FDC VC	
3.	0130	Fwd FDC--Battery centers: B/1/8: XT60403009, C/1/8: XT60333014.		Ntly FDC VC	
4.	0445	Radar--the AN/MPQ-4A radar is inoperative.		Ntly Div Arty, S2, FDC. VC	
5.	0500	Fwd FDC--SITREP: no change.		Ntly FDC VC	
6.	0510	Radar--the AN/MPQ-4A radar is operational.		Ntly Div Arty, S2, FDC. VC	
7.	0620	2nd Bde LNO--2/34 recon elements at 1850 on 20 March in XT615287 reported an APC detonated a 250 lb. bomb. Results: 7 US WIA, APC combat loss.		Ntly FDC. JR	
8.	0620	2nd Bde LNO--1/27 Inf NL from 1832 on 20 March is XT518217, received 10 rds 60mm mortar and small arms fire. Returned fire with small arms, auto weapons, and counter-mortar program. VC broke contact at 1930 hr. Results: 2 US WIA, VC losses unk.		Ntly FDC. JR	
9.	0622	2nd Bde LNO--2/27 Inf NL in XT535172 recvd 5 rds 82mm mortar at 2050 on 20 March. Returned fire with counter-mortar program, VC broke contact at 2055. Results: neg US casualties or damage, VC losses unk.		Ntly FDC. JR	
10.	0800	Fwd FDC--SITREP: no change.		Ntly FDC. JR	
11.	0820	Fwd FDC--notified Bn CO that road from Cu Chi to Trung lap will not be open today.		Ntly FDC. JR	
12.	0945	Fwd FDC--C/1/27 elements in XT516204 found 51 rds 60mm mortar, which they will destroy.		Ntly Div Arty. JR	
13.	0945	Fwd FDC--D/1/27 elements in XT532239 found 3 dnd 105mm rds, which they will destroy.		Ntly Div Arty. JR	

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14.	1040	Fwd FDC--C/1/27 elements in XT517205 found 1 105mm illumination cannister, 1 plastic 60mm cannister, 7 tailfins from 81mm mortar, 1 sandbag full of shrapnel, 4 sets black pajamas, 1 hooch with lamp still burning.		Ntfy Div Arty JR	
15.	1105	Fwd FDC--2/34 Armor recon elements in XT612287 hit an AT mine. Results: 2 US KIA.		Ntfy Div Arty JR	
16.	1207	G2 thru 2nd Bde LNO--On 20 March a Bao Trai agent reported in XT2703 4 VC Regiments, wearing grey uniforms, with many weapons, just arrived from NVN. Their mission is to mount a large offensive, are supposed to be successful due to air support they will have. They will move through the Bo Bo Canal in Long An Province to Cholon and then into Saigon. US Rating "F-6."		Ntfy Fwd FDC. JR	
17.	1210	Fwd FDC--D/1/27 elements closed NL at 1205 hrs. Brought in one detainee picked up at 1155 hr in XT524216.		Ntfy FDC. JR	
18.	1530	Fwd FDC--C/1/5 Mech is receiving sniper fire in XT440305. B/1/8 is firing in support.		Ntfy Div Arty, 2nd Bde. RB	
19.	1800	2nd Bde LNO--SITREP: 1/27 Inf NL, radar sighted 3 VC, engaged with artillery. Results: 3 VC KIA (POSS), at 2120 hr on 20 March in XT518217. B/1/27 at 1018 in XT545201 captured 1 rifle and 1 detainee. A/2/14 Infantry at 1535 in XT655283 found 1 Chicom carbine, which will be evacuated. Recon element of 2/34 at 1038 in XT612294 detonated one 12-16 AT mine. Results: 2 US WIA, one APC major damage.		Ntfy FDC. JR	
20.	2015	Fwd FDC--2/14 Inf is in contact at this time. C/1/8 supporting.		Ntfy Div Arty. VC	
21.	2040	Fwd FDC--helicopter to pick up Bn CO at 0700 and drop him off at Blaster Pad. Bn CO will require helicopter from 1300 to 1700 tomorrow.		Ntfy Div Arty. VC	
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22.	2330	Fwd FDC--A radar at Fwd FDC's location located 15 to 25 personnel at XT 606311 at 2245 hr. 2/34 Armor fired mortars on them. Personnel moved north at 2330 hr, arty fire on them is planned. They are now 600 meters from perimeter.		Ntfy Div Arty JR																																								
23.	2330	Fwd FDC--At 2115 hr A/2/27 elements on way to AP received light sniper fire, which they returned with small arms. C/3/13 fired 13 rds in support, with negative surveillance. At 2205 hr received 2 rds sniper fire; also reported hearing a VC using a loudspeaker, sending propaganda messages, at grid XT547159.		Ntfy Div Arty JR																																								
24.	2400	Div Arty--SITREP: no change.		Ntfy FDC. JR																																								
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The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 489,219 rds.

The battalion strength is 16 guns. A/1/8 has 1 gun deadlined due to end of tube life, C/1/8 has 5 guns (one was destroyed after being dropped from an aircraft).

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1.	0001	JOURNAL OPEN.	MJR.
2.	0100	Fwd FDC--SITREP: normal. Fire mission for 2/14 Inf to suppress VC movement.	Ntly FDC. JR
3.	0100	Div Arty--Tower/Radar net reports negative sightings.	Ntly FDC. JR
4.	0300	Fwd FDC--SITREP: no change.	Ntly FDC. JR
5.	0300	Div Arty--Tower/Radar net report: negative.	Ntly FDC. JR
6.	0400	Div Arty--Tower/Radar net report: negative.	Ntly FDC. JR
7.	1050	Fwd FDC--Convoy from Trung Lap to Cu Chi's lead vehicle hit a mine. Results: negative casualties to 1/8 personnel.	Ntly 2nd Bde, Br CO
8.	1110	Fwd FDC--C/1/8 and 7/11 fire mission on 21 Mar in XT660285 resulted in 1 VC KIA (BC)	Ntly 2nd Bde, Div Arty. VC
9.	1200	Fwd FDC--All 1/27 Inf elements down. LZ cold.	Ntly FDC. VC
10.	1300	Fwd FDC--C/1/27 elements in XT567263 found 15 fighting positions 2x2x4 ft, 1 tunnel, 2 tons unpolished rice. N	Ntly Div Arty VC
11.	1340	Fwd FDC--A/1/27 elements in XT561270 found one MG position for 12.7mm, 6 lbs C-4, 3 butterfly bombs, 6 firing devices.	Ntly Div Arty VC
12.	1350	Fwd FDC--Convoy arrived in Cu Chi.	Ntly FDC. VC
13.	1430	Fwd FDC--C/1/27 elements in XT568254 found 18 bunkers 2x2x4 ft with overhead cover, 3 VC gas masks.	Ntly Div Arty VC
14.	1530	Fwd FDC--C/1/27 elements in XT570254 found one	

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14 Cont		each Chicom Carbine.			Ntfy Div Arty JR		
15.	1940	Div Arty XO--All clubs and movies will close NLT 2100 tonight. Mortar attack expected between 2000 and 0300.			Ntfy Bn HQ, btrys, S2. GK		
16.	2030	Div Arty--Tower/Radar net reports: negative.			Ntfy FDC. JR		
17.	2030	Fwd FDC--SITREP: no change.			Ntfy FDC. JR		
18.	2130	Fwd FDC--SITREP: no change.			Ntfy FDC. JR		
19.	2130	Div Arty--Tower/Radar net reports: negative.			Ntfy FDC. JR		
20/	2230	Div Arty--Tower/Radar net reports: 2 or 3 personnel in each of the following grids: XT58622564, XT56262314, XT46922279.			Ntfy FDC. JR		
21.	2230	Fwd FDC--SITREP: no change.			Ntfy FDC. JR		
22.	2300	2nd Bde LNO--3000 VC located in XT416433, XT427443, XT465390, XT475399. 1 VC Bn on both sides of Highway 1 from XT551172 to XT560168.			Ntfy Fwd FDC. JR		
23.	2330	Fwd FDC--SITREP: no change.			Ntfy FDC. JR		
24.	2330	Div Arty--Tower/Radar net reports: negative.			Ntfy FDC. JR		
25.	2400	JOURNAL CLOSED.			MJR.		
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2.	0100	Fwd FDC--SITREP: no change.									
3.	0630	2nd Bde LNO--2/34 Armor elements at 2030 hr on 22 Mar in XT624128 had one A.V.R.D. bridge carrier receive one RPG-7 rd. Fire returned with small arms and auto weapons. Results: 2 US WIA, no damage to vehicle, VC losses unknown.					Ntfy Div Arty RB				
4.	0700	Div Arty--There will be an airstrike in XT4833 at 0700 hr, in XT5236, XT5334, XT5031 at 0730 to 0800 hr.					Ntfy Fwd FDC RB				
5.	0735	Bn CO--departed Cu Chi at this time.					Ntfy FDC. MR				
6.	0740	Fwd FDC--C/4/23 Mech elements had one Chieu Hoi wearing blue shorts, age 21 or 22, in XT591296. He had 1 US grenade. Is being questioned at this time.					Ntfy Div Arty RB				
7.	0900	Fwd FDC--B/2/14 elements down in LZ. LZ cold.					Ntfy FDC. VC				
8.	0920	Fwd FDC--C/2/14 elements down. LZ cold. Gunships engaged 3 VC 600 meters north of LZ.					Ntfy Div Arty VC				
9.	0940	Fwd FDC--2/14 elements: 3 lift on ground. LZ cold.					Ntfy FDC VC				
10.	1115	Bn CO--returned to Cu Chi at this time.					Ntfy FDC. VC				
11.	1330	Fwd FDC--B/2/14 elements report LZ at XT575275 cold at 1225 hr. Gunships spotted 1 VC with weapon; VC ran into a hooch, and gunship drew fire. 2/14 elements used teargas in attempt to get the VC out of the hooch.					Ntfy FDC WM				
12.	1430	Fwd FDC--All 1/27 elements have closed Cu Chi.					Ntfy FDC MR.				
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13.	1447	Fwd FDC--2/34 Armor elements in XT598320 report a tank hit and exploded an AT mine. Results: negative casualties, damage to one roadwheel. C/4/23 elements in XT598319 found 2 82mm mortar rds, 2 Chicom grenades, and 1 30-lb AT mine.		Ntly FDC. MR	
14.	1453	1/27 LNO--confirmed all 1/2 7 elements have returned to Cu Chi.		Ntly FDC. MR	
15.	1455	FDC--A howitzer will be on the way to A/1/8 in five minutes.		Ntly A/1/8 MR	
16.	1520	Fwd FDC--C/6/77 Arty laid and ready to fire at 1515 hrs. Btry center XT562178.		Ntly Div Arty VC	
17.	1630	Fwd FDC--All 2/14 Inf elements have arrived at their NL at 1525 hr. They are now under mortar attack.			
18.	1645	C/6/77--reports above attack either rifle grenades or 60mm mortars from XT563182. Results: negative US casualties or damage.		Ntly FDC. JR	
19.	1645	Bn CO--departed Cu Chi at this time.		Ntly FDC. MR	
20.	1730	Commo Sgt--Convoy departed from Cu Chi at this time.		Ntly FDC. VC	
21.	1830	Commo Sgt--Convoy arrived at Cu Chi at this time. Disabled truck located at Compound with 2 dusters.		Ntly FDC. JR	
22.	2000	Div Arty--Tower/Radar reports: negative.		Ntly FDC. JR	
23.	2025	Fwd FDC--At 2015 hr aircraft supporting 1/8 Arty Fwd FDC sighted 2 personnel 150-200 meters from perimeter by use of Starlite scope. M-60 MG's fired at personnel, on azimuth of 3000M, with negative surveillance.		Ntly Div Arty. JR	
24.	2100	Fwd FDC--SITREP: no change.		Ntly FDC. JR	
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3.	0700	Fwd FDC--SITREP: no change.		Ntly FDC. JR	
4.	0823	Radar--the AN/MPQ-4A radar will be inoperative for 2 hours.		Ntly FDC MR	
5.	0827	Div Arty--wants to know if all btrys are surveyed in. Results: affirmative.		Ntly Fwd FDC. Ntly Div Arty MJR	
6.	0838	B/1/8 rear--George Maes is to return to Cu Chi for emergency leave.		Ntly B/1/8. MR	
7.	0900	Fwd FDC--2/14 Inf elements at 0845 hr in XT568261 recvd sniper fire. 2 VC KIA (BC) by gunships, est. 12 to 15 more VC snipers in spider holes. 2/14 LNO requested clearance for arty in area but due to this being a populated area, no arty will be fired unless necessary. Gunships are being used now.		Ntly Div Arty RB	
8.	0915	Div Arty--2/14 elements had helicopter shot down at 0910 hr in XT568257. Results: neg US casualties. They are asking for arty fire in the area; report very many snipers.		Ntly 2nd Bde. MR	
9.	0940	S4--requests carriage numbers of 2 howitzers needing tubes replaced, from C/1/8.		Ntly Fwd FDC. MR	
10.	0941	Fwd FDC--2/14 elements in contact, receiving small arms and RPG sniper fire. Helicopter repaired and back up. Results: 2 US WIA.		Ntly Div Arty MR	
11.	1030	Fwd FDC--at 1000 hr an AT mine found west of Fwd FDC's location, 600 meters from perimeter. Weight 50 lbs, suspected VC mine. Being destroyed in place.		Ntly 2nd Bde. RB	
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12.	1102	Bn CO--returned to Cu Chi at this time.		Ntly FDC. MR	
13.	1105	C/1/8--results of query by S4: Gun #2, Carriage 9886, tube 20706, has no brakes, breech handle pin missing, trail latch is missing, needs new tube; Gun #5, carriage 10395, tube 19581, needs brakes for right wheel; Gun #6, carriage 9920, tube 21011, has no brakes, breech block lock screw broken in the lock, needs new tube.		Ntly S4. RB	
14.	1110	Fwd FDC--C/1/5 Mech in XT646289 found a bunker 2x2x13 ft containing 1 US trip flare, 1 82mm mortar rd, 2 Chicom grenades, 4 lbs of C-4; 2/34 Armor LNO will blow in place.		Ntly Div Arty, 2nd Bde. VC	
15.	1215	Fwd FDC--2/34 elements at 1210 hr in XT643290 found a mine field 20x20 meters containing one 155mm rd, 3 "Bouncing Betties" 1 AT mine; the "bouncing Betties" were set 3 inches above the ground.		Ntly Div Arty, Bde. RB	
16.	1230	Div Arty--A/1/8 departed for FSB Pike II (XT7093)		Ntly FDC. RB	
17.	1244	Bn CO--departed Cu Chi at this time.		Ntly FDC. MJR	
18.	1300	S3--2/14 Inf in heavy contact with intense sniper fire, LZ hot. Air strikes are in progress now, and arty will be fired when airstrikes are lifted.		Ntly FDC. VC	
19.	1315	2nd Bde LNO--A gunship supporting 2/14 Inf. at 0814 hr in XT576245 engaged 2 VC running; results 2 VCKIA (BC). At 0815 hr in XT576245 rcvd small arms, auto weapon, and RPG fire, also rifle grenades, from a platoon size force. At 0902 hr aircraft smokedown from AW fire, was able to get airborne again under own power. Results: 21 US WIA, 1 US KIA.		Ntly Div Arty VC	
20.	1325	Fwd FDC--C/1/5 Mech elements in XT642298 found 1 tunnel 5 meters long with shaft, at end a room 4x4 containing grass. 3 graves, 2 days old, 1 body			

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