

JUNE (Ulaski II 804049 since April 25)

JUN-Sept 68

Pointan began June 1st and was in full swing when the tropic lightning
division closed out its 27th year. The 2nd and 3rd days of the operation
belonged to the 3rd squad 4th calvary gunship crewmen operating along the
Saigon river. 3 days later 4th battalion 9th infantry manchu supported by
division canoneers turned ^{a hot LZ} ~~to Hotaizi~~ 5 miles north of Saigon into a
substantial victory killing 36 NV soldiers. The wolfhounds took over an
estimated NV battalion ^{which} bombarded a 2nd battalion 27th infantry night location
7 miles NW of Saigon and then launched a savage predawn attack. For 2½ hours
the enemy pressed the attack in the ^{face} ~~face~~ of withering counterfire which
included exploding artillery, ~~scant~~ meters before the 2nd wolfhounds replacements.
When they fled 56 of the comrades were left dead in the battlefield. When the
wolfhounds told Major General Murns hours later that he couldn't understand how
he and his buddies survived the fray. Responded the Colonel "you're still here
because you were better than they were." The 1st wolfhounds two days later
turned up a catch of 3200, ~~and~~ 122 mm rocket warheads, 88-82 mm mortar rounds, 88
RPG2 rounds, and 7 RPG7 launchers. The following day they struggled with an
unknown sized VC force in the same ^{Doc Mon} ~~Haukman~~ canal neighborhood where the catch
had been found. Infantrymen, artillery men, ~~and~~ choppers and US airforce pilots
together ^{counted for} ~~accounted~~ 44 enemy dead. Headlines on the June 21st and 23rd concerned
the 3rd brigade airborne division. The last day of June and 5 miles North of Tranbang
the screaming eagles fought off an enemy assault on their night defensive
position killing the 38 attackers. Then came a lull.

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FROM

TO

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1st Bn 8th Arty

APO SF 96225

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ACTION TAKEN

1.

0001

JOURNAL OPENED.

MJR.

2.

0130

2d Bde--25th Inf Div G3 Air wants clearance on
linear target from XS660863 to XT660840.

Ntfy S3. GK

3.

0200

Div Arty--500 VC are reported in the area bounded
by XS751995, XS749992, XT749000, and XS742996.

Ntfy S3. CG

4.

0500

(FDC--At 0500 today A/6/77, A/7/11, and C/2/40)
Arty became attached to 1/8 Arty.Ntfy Div Arty.
SR

5.

0530

FDC--C/6/77 Arty was detached from 1/8 Arty at
this time, and march ordered for new position.Ntfy Div Arty.
SR

6.

0630

2d Bde--C/65th Engr started sweep of the MSR to
Tan Son Nhut.

Ntfy S3. GK

7.

0715

2d Bde--MSR is clear from the Hoc Mon bridge to
Tan Son Nhut.

Ntfy S3. GK

8.

0755

2d Bde--All elements of 4/12 Inf are now being
resupplied by helicopter except for 2 elements
of B/4/12 which are acting as a blocking force
for C/3/22 in XS771846.

Ntfy S3. GK

9.

0800

2d Bde--C/4/9 elements departed their NL.

Ntfy S3. GK

10.

0800

2d Bde--One element of 1/27 Inf will be coming to
2d Bde HQ. When they arrive they should contact
1/27 Inf.

Ntfy S3. GK

11.

0815

(2d Bde--4/9 Inf will not move C/4/9 into the old
area of contact unless there is clearance to fire
arty into the area first.)

Ntfy S3. GK

12.

0815

2d Bde--There will be a platoon of PF troops
moving in an area vic XT753070.

Ntfy S3. GK

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0830

2d Bde--25th Inf Div requests that CO, 2d Bde,

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13 cont.		25th Inf Div. write a description of any action in which GEN Dunlap was involved with the 2d Bde, to include a recommendation for the DFC medal. Request statement by 4 Jun 68 if possible. Also request statement concerning actions with GEN Mearns for the DSA medal prior to 10 Jun 68.	Ntfy S3. GK
14.	0825	2d Bde--A/9 Inf NL is in XT781058.	Ntfy S3. GK
15.	0928	2d Bde--C/4/9 is moving into the area of contact. Arty is firing into the area at this time, on grid XT813051.	Ntfy S3. GK
16.	0955	2d Bde--3/17 Cav elements are making a visual reconnaissance in 2d Bde AO, and will report any findings.	Ntfy S3. GK
17.	1000	2d Bde CO--requests an air strike in 4/9 Inf AO.	Ntfy S3. GK
18.	1000	2d Bde--A/4/9, B/4/9, and D/4/9 elements closed their new NL in XT781058. 5 Sorties for HQ/4/9 and Recon/4/9 elements will arrive at the new NL in the near future.	Ntfy S3. GK
19.	1010	2d Bde--4/23 Mech elements are in XS745925.	Ntfy S3. GK
20.	1015	2d Bde--3/4 Cav elements spotted a bridge across a canal in XS668962.	Ntfy S3. GK
21.	1025	2d Bde--All A/4/9, B/4/9, and D/4/9 elements have closed their new NL.	Ntfy S3. GK
22.	1035	2d Bde--3/4 Cav elements report bridge in grid XS668962 has been destroyed.	Ntfy S3. GK
23.	1045	2d Bde--4/23 Mech elements are in XS751940.	Ntfy S3. GK
24.	1045	2d Bde--C/4/9 elements in XT818049 request another command and control aircraft at 1200 hr.	Ntfy S3. GK
25.	1105	B/3/13--received end of mission from 4/9 Inf LNO	

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at 1105 hr. The target was described as VC in bunkers in XT822045. B/3/13 expended 92 HEQ, 1 WP T1, with negative surveillance.

Ntfy Div Arty. SG

26. 1105

2d Bde--The new NL for L/23 Mech elements is in XS755957. All except B/L/23 elements are closing in on this location now. 1 element of C/L/23 will secure the bridge at XS784967.

Ntfy S3. GK

27. 1115

2d Bde--C/3/22 elements in XS773853 found 4 VC bodies, 1 AK-47, 1 RPG-2 complete with rocket, parts for an AK-47, and 1 grenade. B/L/12 elements are in a blocking position for C/3/22 elements. C/L/12 and D/L/12 are providing security for the L/12 NL.

Ntfy S3. GK

28. 1130

D/3/13--the 8-inch howitzer received end of mission from L/9 LNO at 1115. The target was described as VC in bunkers in XT82590540. Surveillance was negative.

Ntfy Div Arty. SG

29. 1130

C/L/9 FO--C/L/9 elements in XT82150486 found 1 VC body, 1 Chicom pistol, 5 RPG boosters, and 7 destroyed bunkers. All are credited to the 8-inch howitzer.

Ntfy Div Arty. TW

30. 1150

2d Bde--3/17 Cav elements are in XS7385.

Ntfy S3. GK

31. 1155

2d Bde--C/L/9 elements have swept the area of contact and are returning to their NL.

Ntfy S3. GK

32. 1230

2d Bde--C/L/9 elements closed their N.L.

Ntfy S3. GK

33. 1250

2d Bde--Hq/L/23, A/L/23, and C/L/23 Mech elements are in XS754966. A/L/23 will have a mission at Tan Son Nhut tonight. 1 element of C/L/23 will secure the bridge at XS748973. B/L/23 elements remain at the old NL.

Ntfy S3. GK

34. 1300

B/1/27 Arty--has departed Tan Son Nhut and is en route to Duc Hoa.

Ntfy Div Arty. VC

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35.	1350	2d Bde--E/4/12 elements will depart their old NL for their new one vic XS762894 at 1400.	Ntfy S3. GK
36.	1410	2d Bde--B/4/9 is conducting a local cloverleaf around their NL.	Ntfy S3. GK
37.	1410	2d Bde--All elements of 4/23 Mech are in their NL and are receiving their pay, except for 1 element of C/4/23 which is securing the bridge.	Ntfy S3. GK
38.	1420	2d Bde--will have an airmobile Co from 0700 to 0945, and again from 1615 to 1800 tomorrow.	Ntfy S3. GK
39.	1440	2d Bde--4/9 Command and Control helicopter arrived at the 4/9 NL.	Ntfy S3. GK
40.	1500	2d Bde--A/4/23 Mech departed their old NL for Tan Son Nhut.	Ntfy S3. GK
41.	1500	2d Bde--199th Light Inf Bde will not need an airmobile Co.	Ntfy S3. GK
42.	1520	2d Bde--C/4/9 elements closed the Hoc Mon bridge, released all except 2 aircraft.	Ntfy S3. GK
43.	1605	2d Bde--4/9 Inf requests a Command and Control helicopter at 0700 tomorrow.	Ntfy S3. GK
44.	1605	2d Bde--The 2d Bde S3 wants the CS chemical agent drop at 1000 hr tomorrow to have gunship escort. 2d Bde Chemical Officer has been instructed to coordinate with 4/9 Inf.	Ntfy S3. GK
45.	1655	2d Bde--A/4/23 Mech elements closed Tan Son Nhut at 1600.	Ntfy S3. GK
46.	1715	B/1/27 Arty--closed Duc Hoa at 1715.	Ntfy Div Arty. RG

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47. 1805 B/3/13--fired in support of A/4/9 elements from 1720 to 1755 on a suspected VC location in XT8104. B/3/13 expended 9 HEQ, 5 HEVT, 1 WPQ, with negative surveillance. Ntly Div Arty. WM
48. 2027 2d Bde--B/4/9 elements in XT808052 spotted 3 VC sitting in crouched positions. Plan to engage the VC with M-79's. Ntly S3. GK
49. 2032 2d Bde--The jeep stationed at the Hoc Mon bridge has broken down. No other jeep is available for tomorrow's sweep. A jeep and a radio are required for about an hour tomorrow. Ntly S3. GK
50. 2045 B/1/8--4/9 AP spotted 10 to 25 personnel about 400 meters from the NL at XT781058, on an azimuth of 4000M. Ntly FDC. JR
51. 2120 2d Bde--Division TOC informed 2d Bde that all air assaults for tomorrow are cancelled. Wants just 1 Co to secure the Hoc Mon bridge. Ntly S3. GK
52. 2125 2d Bde--C/1/27 Inf will submit a report concerning the incident involving WO Gabrailson, including whether it was a receiving incident. Ntly S3. GK
53. 2155 2d Bde--4/9 AP in XT808052 engaged 3 crouching VC with M-79's. They did not receive return fire. Ntly S3. GK
54. 2230 2d Bde--B/4/12 elements in XS750879 spotted 2 VC 150 meters southeast of their location. They engaged the VC with small arms and M-79's. Results unknown at this time; B/4/12 elements will check out the area in the morning. Ntly S3. GK
55. 2400 JOURNAL CLOSED. MJR.

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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:

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PERSONNEL: 928

1639

VC KIA (BC): 891

VC KIA (POSS): 4638

1. Weapons

DES

DAM

A. Mortars

17

2

B. MG's

11

2

2. Buildings

289

117

3. Bridges

40-11

0

4. Trenches

3

0

5. Bunkers

99-127

29

6. Vehicles

3

3

7. Sampans

408-109

9

8. Boats

14

0

9. Ammo dumps

1

0

10. Sec Expl

405-106

0

PLANS SUMMARY

MOVES: None.

PLANNED MOVES FOR 2 June: None.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 546,079 rounds.

The Bn strength is 18 guns operational.

A/1/8 remains at Duc Hoa.

B/1/8 Remains at FSB Pulaski II.

C/1/8 remains at FSB Pulaski II. 804050

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Conducting a search and destroy mission seven kilometers west of SAIGON, the 4th Battalion, 12th Infantry received fire from an estimated 40 VC at XS 708856. Returning fire with organic weapons and calling in supporting artillery and air, the company maintained contact with the enemy from 1355 to 1945. VC losses in the firefight were 21 KIA. In the meantime, D Troop, 3rd Squadron, 4th Cavalry which had been flying armed aerial reconnaissance over the ROI LOI WOODS, HO RO WOODS and IRON TRIANGLE detected an unknown number of VC in bunkers at XT 728186. In a battle which commenced at 1115 hours the enemy were hit by armed helicopter, artillery and air strikes. Checking the area following the engagement, the cavalrymen discovered 38 VC KIA.

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1.	0001	JOURNAL OPENED.			MJR.		
2.	0001	Opn Sgt--Effective at this time, copies of this Journal will no longer be prepared.			MJR.		
3.	0030	2d Bde--Recon 4/12 elements in XS733924 rcvd 10 or 12 rds of .30 cal fire. Unit returned fire with all organic weapons: Results: negative US casualties, VC losses unknown.			Ntly S3. GK		
4.	0043	2d Bde--B/4/23 AP elements in XS749972 engaged 50 VC with 81mm mortars. VC losses unknown.			Ntly S3. GK		
5.	0132	FDC--Rockets being fired from XS734926 are hitting Saigon at this time.			Ntly C/2/40 Arty. VC		
6.	0135	2d Bde--B/4/23 AP in XS749972 engaged 15 VC with 81mm mortar. VC losses unknown.			Ntly S3. GK		
7.	0150	FDC--Enemy rocket location in XS734926 was clear at 0139. C/2/40 Arty fired 18 HEQ at 0149. A/7/11 also fired, expending 18 HEQ.			Ntly Div Arty. Sg.		
8.	0212	C/2/40--received fire mission on XS735927 at 0205, received clearances at 0210, expended 6 HEQ at 0211.			Ntly Div Arty. TW		
9.	0300	2d Bde--B/4/23 AP in XS749972 spotted 1 VC about 200 meters north of their position, engaged the VC with 81mm mortar. VC losses unknown.			Ntly S3. GK		
10.	0330	2d Bde--B/4/23 AP in XS749972 rcvd small arms, auto weapons, and rifle grenade fire from unknown number of VC. Negative US casualties.			Ntly S3. GK		
11.	0335	2d Bde--The 2d Bde S3 wants to know if the B/4/23 AP requests the aid of a LFT or a flare ship; ETA on either is 20 minutes. There are an estimated 120 VC near the AP.			Ntly S3. GK		
12.	0355	2d Bde--B/4/23 AP is withdrawing; is no longer					

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12 cont.

receiving fire and no longer has any need for a flare ship or LFT. Negative US casualties.

Ntfy S3. GK

13.

0442

2d Bde--B/4/23 AP elements returned to the NL.

Ntfy S3. GK

14.

0450

2d Bde--The area of the B/4/23 AP seems to be along a VC supply route from a VC complex vic XS735972 to a VC complex vic XS750980. Groups of 20, 25, or 50 VC move along the road. 5 VC road guards were noted. B/4/9 AP did not receive small arms and auto weapons fire as reported; they did receive 2 volleys of 5 rds rocket. They do not know what type rocket was used, or how they were fired; the rockets sounded like star clusters when fired and made a loud bang when they hit the ground.

Ntfy S3. MJR

15.

0500

2d Bde--4/9 Inf requests 2 scout dog teams today.

Ntfy S3. GK

16.

0656

2d Bde--C/65 Engr departed the Hoc Mon bridge for Tan Son Nhut at 0650; they were held up by radio trouble.

Ntfy S3. GK

17.

0715

2d Bde--4/23 Mortar Plt expended 94 rds 81mm in support of B/4/23 AP.

Ntfy S3. GK

18.

0730

2d Bde--A/4/9 elements departed their NL.

Ntfy S3. GK

19.

0743

2d Bde--B/4/12 and D/4/12 departed their NL's to check the area of contact vic XS750879. Both units report negative results at this time.

Ntfy S3. GK

20.

0750

2d Bde--C/65 Engr reports the MSR as clear.

Ntfy S3. GK

21.

0800

2d Bde--ARVN elements from the Hoc Mon District have 2 patrols: No. 1 from XT7204 moving north-east to XT725051; No. 2 moving from XT766070 to XT753061.

Ntfy S3. GK

22.

0810

2d Bde--Recon/4/12 elements departed their NL.

Ntfy S3. GK

23.

0810

2d Bde--4/9 Inf requests air strikes be made available for tomorrow.

Ntfy S3. GK

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0820

2d Bde--4/23 Mech requests 2 dog teams for 3 June.
They do not have any dogs at this time.

Ntfy S3. GK

25.

0825

2d Bde--1 plt of B/4/23 replaces 1 plt of A/4/23
on the Hoc Mon bridge.

Ntfy S3. GK

26.

0830

2d Bde--D/4/12 elements are in XS775913.

Ntfy S3.

27.

0835

2d Bde--E/4/12 elements departed their NL. Dogs
will be requested; they may be made available
by the 199th Lt. Inf. Bde.

Ntfy S3. GK

28.

0845

B/3/13--A/4/9 elements are in XT795055.

Ntfy FDC. CG

29.

0845

B/3/13--1/5 Mech elements are in XS747980.

Ntfy FDC. CG

30.

0915

2d Bde--C/4/23 elements departed their NL. B/4/23
elements are in XS740987. A/4/23 and Recon/4/23
elements provide security for 4/23 NL.

Ntfy S3. GK

31.

0920

2d Bde--A/4/12 elements are in XS772852.

Ntfy S3. GK

32.

0925

2d Bde--E/4/23 elements are in a blocking posit-
ion in XS732985.0

Ntfy S3. GK

33.

0930

2d Bde--D/4/12 elements closed their NL. A/4/12
elements are in XS774854.

Ntfy S3. GK

34.

0930

2d Bde--C/4/9 elements returned to their NL.

Ntfy S3. GK

35.

1005

B/3/13--C/1/5 Mech elements are in XS758957.

Ntfy FDC. WM

36.

1020

2d Bde--D/4/9 elements returned to their NL.
They had some boat trouble, and when the boats
are repaired they will be out again, using 3/17
Cav for air cover. 3/17 Cav elements will be
available again at 1300.

Ntfy S3. GK

37.

1100

2d Bde--A/4/23 and Recon 4/23 elements departed
their NL at 1045.

Ntfy S3. GK

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2d Bde--CH-47's will pick up a plt of C/4/9 at

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38 cont.		the Hoc Mon bridge at 1330.	Ntfy S3. GK
39.	1140	2d Bde--B/4/23 elements are returning to their NL. A/4/23 and Recon/4/23 elements are in XS727967.	Ntfy S3. GK
40.	1200	2d Bde--Div G3 informed 2d Bde S3 that they have the airmobile Co available for use. The Co will be available as of 1145 hr.	Ntfy S3. GK
41.	1200	2d Bde--B/4/23 elements in XS747971 located some bamboo aiming stakes, 75 ft of commo wire, and 2 caps from either 107 or 122mm rocket carrying tubes.	Ntfy S3. GK
42.	1205	2d Bde--4/12 Inf will be getting a prep by air using 500-lb bombs beginning at 1220.	Ntfy S3. GK
43.	1215	2d Bde--B/4/23 elements are checking out the area of last night's contact is XS748973.	Ntfy S3. GK
44.	1230	2d Bde--A/4/23 elements in XS717976 spotted people moving out to the north as the Recon plt of A/4/23 moved into the area.	Ntfy S3. GK
45.	1257	2d Bde--Air strike for 4/12 Inf is complete. After a 15 minute arty prep the troops will move into the area.	Ntfy S3. GK
46.	1320	FDC--A/7/11 and C/2/40 arty fired a prep for 4/12 Inf from 1245 to 1320 hr in XS708854 and XS707-858. A/7/11 expended 78 HE, 39 Q, 39 VT. C/2/40 expended 78 HE, 36 Q, 42 VT.	Ntfy Div Arty. RC
47.	1320	2d Bde--B/4/23 elements closed their NL.	Ntfy S3. GK
48.	1321	2d Bde--3/17 aircraft are on station now.	Ntfy S3. GK
49.	1322	2d Bde--D/4/9 elements are now departing their NL.	Ntfy S3. GK
50.	1325	2d Bde--B/4/9 elements sustained 1 US injured. Nature of injury was foot injury due to booby-trap.	Ntfy S3. GK

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51.	1340	2d Bde--4/12 elements have landed in XX708868; LZ is cold, but VC are in sight in the open. Gunships will engage the VC.	Ntfy S3. GK
52.	1350	2d Bde--A/4/9 elements departed their NL at 1345. Supporting gunships engaged 2 VC with auto weapons resulting in 2 VC KIA (BC).	Ntfy S3. GK
53.	1400	2d Bde--C/4/9 elements no longer have support of 3/17 Cav and are returning to the NL.	Ntfy S3. GK
54.	1410	2d Bde--A/4/23 Mech element has 3 tanks, 2 of which are at Hoc Mon, 1 of which is broken down at the 4/23 NL. A/2/34 Armor will move to Hoc Mon until it is assigned a road clearing mission or until the roads improve; this will allow A/4/23 to perform necessary maintenance.	Ntfy S3. GK
55.	1415	4/12 LNO--4/12 elements in XS708868 found a bunker complex and are receiving auto weapons fire from it at this time. C/2/40 Arty is firing in support.	Ntfy Div Arty. EW
56.	1415	2d Bde--4/12 elements have 1 US KIA from the contact in XS708868. They do not have any idea of the number of VC engaging them.	Ntfy S3. GK
57.	1425	2d Bde--A/4/23 elements are in XS744960 and are proceeding to their NL.	Ntfy S3. GK
58.	1430	2d Bde--D/4/12 elements are bringing in airstrikes and arty on the source of sporadic small arms fire that is being directed at them vic XS708867.	Ntfy S3. GK
59.	1455	B/1/8--fired in support of B/4/9 elements from 0800 to 1455 hr on XT822050, expending 268 HEQ and 1 WP with negative surveillance.	Ntfy FDC. WM
60.	1500	B/1/8--B/4/9 elements are in XT803050. Recon/4/9 elements are in XT796049.	Ntfy FDC. WM
61.	1530	2d Bde--Recon/4/9 elements departed their NL for RIF operations.	ntfy S3. GK

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62.	1535	2d Bde--D/4/12 elements request dustoff for 1 US KIA and 2 US WIA.				Ntly S3. GK
63.	1605	2d Bde--D/4/12 elements have 1 VC KIA (BC) at this time, and are still using arty and air strikes. E/4/12 closed their NL at 1545 hr.				Ntly S3. GK
64.	1625	2d Bde--2d Bde CO want a CS chemical agent aircraft on station by 1700 to assist D/4/12.				Ntly S3. GK
65.	1655	2d Bde--CS aircraft is en route at this time.				Ntly S3. GK
66.	1700	2d Bde--A/4/23 Mech elements are departing for Tan Son Nhut at this time.				Ntly S3. GK
67.	1725	B/1/8--fired in support of D/4/9 elements from 1705 to 1720 in XT819068, expending 90 HEQ, 6 HE VT, with negative surveillance. D/4/9 elements are sweeping the area of contact at this time.				Ntly Div Arty. SG
68.	1726	2d Bde--A/4/23 Mech closed Tan Son Nhut.				Ntly S3. GK
69.	1750	2d Bde--D/4/12 elements have 1 more US WIA. The unit had gone back into the area of contact and received small arms fire, then pulled back to allow the CS chemical agent ship to work over the area.				Ntly S3. GK
70.	1750	2d Bde--A/4/9 and D/4/9 closed their NL.				Ntly S3. GK
71.	1755	2d Bde--D/4/12 had a dustoff for 4 US WIA. The 25th Inf Div CO is taking one of the WIA in his aircraft.				Ntly S3. GK
72.	1842	2d Bde--The 2d Bde Command and Control aircraft engaged and killed 2 VC in XS706857.				Ntly S3. MGR
73.	1920	2d Bde--4/12 Inf requests a Command and Control UH-1D to replace the one they have now at 2000.				Ntly S3. GK
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74.	1930	2d Bde--4/12 Inf reports total casualties: for				
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D/4/12. 4 US WIA. For C/4/12. 2 US KIA, 1 US WIA

Ntfy S3. GK

75.

1931

2d Bde--CS chemical agent ship supporting 4/12 Inf
was released at 1930 hr.

Ntfy S3. GK

76.

2045

2d Bde--all airmobile assets (2 UH-1D and 1 OH-23
Command and Control aircraft) have been released.

Ntfy S3. GK

77.

2103

2d Bde--4/12 Inf has 21 VC KIA (BC). C/4/12 has
sustained 2 US KIA and 1 US WIA. D/4/12 has
sustained 1 US KIA and 6 US WIA.

Ntfy S3. GK

78.

2110

2d Bde--Recon/4/9 element closed their NL.

Ntfy S3. GK

79.

2200

A/7/11--expended 27 HEQ, 1 Smoke/Ti on XS708855
in support of 4/12 Inf.Ntfy Div Arty.
SG

80.

2245

B/1/8--B/4/9 elements in XT808080 found 1 VC body
about 3 days old, wearing khakis; cause of death
was not determinable. Also found 100 rds AK-47.

Ntfy Div Arty. VC

81.

2320

2d Bde--requests a LFT to assist 4/9 Inf in
securing their boats from 0900 to 1100 tomorrow.

Ntfy S3. GK

82.

2340

2d Bde--C/4/12 elements in XS709857 spotted a
moving light which they engaged with arty, result-
ing in extinguishing of the light.

Ntfy S3. GK

83.

2400

JOURNAL CLOSED.

MJR.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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

PERSONNEL: 928

1639

VC KIA (BC): 891

VC KIA (POSS): 1638

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	DES	DAM
1. Weapons		
A. Mortars	17	2
B. MG's	11	2
2. Buildings	289	117
3. Bridges	1140	0
4. Trenches	3	0
5. Bunkers	127-99	29
6. Vehicles	3	3
7. Sampans	109-108	9
8. Boats	14	0
9. Ammo dumps	1	0
10. Sec Expl	106-405	0

PLANS SUMMARY

MOVES: None.

PLANNED MOVES FOR 3 June: A/1/8 to move from
Duc Hoa to FSB Harrison (XT737049).

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION

The total amount of ammunition expended since
arrival in country is 546,658 rounds.

The Bn strength is 18 guns operational.

A/1/8 remains at Duc Hoa.

B/1/8 remains at FSB Pulaski II.

C/1/8 remains at FSB Pulaski II.

HQ/FDC/1/8 remains at FSB Harrison.

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3 June

D Troop, 3rd Squadron, 4th Cavalry continued its armed aerial reconnaissance throughout the BOI LOI, HO BO WOODS and IRON TRIANGLE on 3 June and detected a rocket firing site at XT 625306. Attacking the position at 1130 and calling in airstrikes, the helicopters succeeded in destroying 27 122mm rockets and 2 rocket launchers as well as accounting for two VC KIA.

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0110

2d Bde--Division will move 5 Bn's around the Tan Son Nhut--Saigon area in approximately the same configuration as before, starting at first light. 2d Bde will probably receive 1 Inf Bn and 1 Mech Bn under its control.

Ntfy S3. GK

3.

0335

2d Bde--will not have any airmobile assets today.

Ntfy S3. GK

4.

0600

2d Bde--AO Peanuts reverts to 3d Bde control at 0630.

Ntfy S3. GK

5.

0625

2d Bde--C/4/23 elements departed Tan Son Nhut at 0615 to secure a new NL for 1/27 Inf.

Ntfy S3. GK

6.

0635

2d Bde--ARVN Airborne is moving to a drop zone along the road vic XT803049 for a scheduled jump.

Ntfy S3. GK

7.

0653

2d Bde--C/65 Engr elements started sweep of the MSR.

Ntfy S3. GK

8.

0656

2d Bde--C/65 Engr elements came upon a road block about 3.5 miles south of the Hoc Mon bridge, vic XT749018. Road block consisted of concrete sewer pipes filled with dirt.

Ntfy S3. GK

9.

0700

2d Bde--The tanks assisting 1/5 Mech will be returning to Cu Chi unless otherwise directed. 1/5 Mech CO recommended that they return to Cu Chi as his APC's were getting stuck and he didn't want to chance having the tanks stuck. 1/5 Mech will not have tanks with them in their new NL.

Ntfy S3. GK

10.

0735

2d Bde--A/4/9 elements have now departed their NL.

Ntfy S3. GK

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0735

2d Bde--The PF elements located in XT729019 will be patrolling a hamlet in that area all morning.

Ntfy S3. GK

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12.	0745	2d Bde--A/L/23 elements are still held up by the roadblock on the MSR, vic XT749018. Due to the block they are not able to mate up with ARVN elements on a combined operation at the specified time. The ARVN elements have been notified.	Ntfy S3. GK
13.	0750	2d Bde--B/L/9 elements departed their NL.	Ntfy S3. GK
14.	0810	2d Bde--C/L/9 elements are departing their NL.	Ntfy S3. GK
15.	0811	2d Bde--A/L/9 elements are at the roadblock in XT749018.	Ntfy S3. GK
16.	0812	2d Bde--The first elements of 1/5 Mech are at the Checkpoint-9 in XT663024.	Ntfy S3. GK
17.	0820	2d Bde--1/5 Mech elements are at Checkpoint-3 in XT682020.	Ntfy S3. GK
18.	0825	2d Bde--C/65 Engr elements report roadblock has been cleared.	Ntfy S3. GK
19.	0830	2d Bde--C/L/23 elements closed their NL.	Ntfy S3. GK
20.	0835	2d Bde--ARVN elements in Quang Trung Training Area are receiving CS chemical agent.	Ntfy S3. GK
21.	0835	2d Bde--1/5 Mech elements have reached Checkpoint 5 in XT707016.	Ntfy S3. GK
22.	0847	2d Bde--A/L/9 elements are in XT795062. B/L/9 elements are in XT815058. C/L/9 remains at the NL. D/L/9 elements are in XT810080. Recon/L/9 elements are in XT815078.	Ntfy S3. GK
23.	0850	2d Bde--A/L/23 elements acting as blocking force have their center of mass in XT750000.	Ntfy S3. GK
24.	0850	2d Bde--ARVN agency (Jigger-6) is receiving fire	

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from XS766987, from estimated 3 VC.

Ntfy S3. GK

25.

0900

2d Bde--1/5 elements are at Checkpoint-7 and are holding in that grid (XT738033).

Ntfy S3. GK

26.

0900

2d Bde--1/27 Inf requests 5 UH-1D aircraft.

Ntfy S3. GK

27.

0920

2d Bde--4/23 Mech is relieved from their nightly mission to secure Tan Son Nhut, but will still secure the bridge vic XS782967. Also 1/5 Mech recon plt will return to 1/5 Mech control.

Ntfy S3. GK

28.

0920

2d Bde--4/23 elements received 2 tracker teams last night.

Ntfy S3; GK

29.

0925

2d Bde--Airmobile combat assaults will be conducted into LZ's from XS703995 to XS700960, moving to the west. The aircraft will assist 1/27 Inf after inserting 4/9 elements. This will occur on 4 June.

Ntfy S3. GK

30.

0930

2d Bde--1/5 Mech elements are at Checkpoint-1 in XT750017.

Ntfy S3. GK

31.

0930

2d Bde--4/9 Inf has been informed that the ARVN's will be firing heavy automatic weapons to the north from Hoc Mon.

Ntfy S3. GK

32.

0935

2d Bde--A/1/5 Mech elements are at Checkpoint-21 in XS770987. All 1/5 elements have reached Checkpoint-7 in XT738033.

Ntfy S3. GK

33.

1000

A/1/8--closed FSB Harrison at 0950. Btry center is XT73630484; azimuth is 1600m.

Ntfy Div Arty.
VC

34.

1000

1/27 LNO--1/27 Inf NL is XS815993.

Ntfy FDC. VC

35.

1000

2d Bde--All but 1 Chinook sortie for 1/27 Inf is complete.

Ntfy S3. GK

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1005

2d Bde--A/4/9 is in XT795067. B/4/9 is in

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36 cont.		XT817054. C/4/9 is in the NL. D/4/9 is in XT812084. Recon/4/9 is in XT815058.	Ntfy S3. GK
37.	1015	2d Bde--CS chemical agent drops are planned for tomorrow morning, as early as possible in the following zones: Zone-1, XT833056-XT833054-XT830054-XT830056. Zone-2, XT833054-XT837056-XT838053-XT833052.	Ntfy S3. GK
38.	1040	2d Bde--CS chemical agent request is changed to the morning of 6 June.	Ntfy S3. GK
39.	1045	FDC--B/7/11 closed their new location on the Tan Son Nhut runway at 1040.	Ntfy Div Arty. SG
40.	1100	A/1/8--is laid and ready to fire at this time. Btry center is XT73630484.	Ntfy Div Arty. SG
41.	1100	2d Bde--A/1/5 has closed their new NL. B/1/5 is approaching the NL.	Ntfy S3. GK
42.	1100	2d Bde--A/4/9 elements are in XT796068. B/4/9 elements are in XT821049 and XT825049. D/4/9 elements are returning to their NL.	Ntfy S3. GK
43.	1118	2d Bde--All 1/27 elements closed their new NL at 1015. Recon/4/9 elements closed their NL at 1018	Ntfy S3. GK
44/	1130	A/1/8--A/4/9 elements are in XT806072. B/4/9 elements are in XT825058. C/4/9 elements are at the Hoc Mon bridge. D/4/9 elements are in XT814078.	Ntfy S3, FDC. SG.
45.	1130	B/7/11--is laid and ready to fire from the Tan Son Nhut runway at this time.	Ntfy Div Arty. SG
46.	1130	2d Bde--4/23 lead elements are in XS758962.	Ntfy S3. GK
47.	1140	2d Bde--1/27 Inf NL is in XS81619918.	Ntfy S3. GK

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48.	1150	2d Bde--C/65 Engr elements will remain with 1/27 Inf until physically replaced.			Ntfy S3. GK	
49.	1200	2d Bde--A/4/9 is in XT812068. B/4/9 elements are in XT829058 and XT823056. C/4/9 remains at the NL. D/4/9 is in XT823076.			Ntfy S3. GK	
50.	1213	2d Bde--Province and District Chiefs agree with recommendation of COL Miller to start road work tomorrow, in the Tan Binh area. They would like the concerned Bn CO's to coordinate and work with the Tan Binh District Senior Advisor.			Ntfy S3. GK	
51.	1215	2d Bde--A/1/5 and B/1/5 elements are in their NL. Hq/1/5 is moving to Tan Son Nhut.			Ntfy S3. GK	
52.	1220	2d Bde--A/4/23 elements are forming blocking lines vic XT750000. B/4/23 is in the new NL. C/4/23 and Recon/4/23 are in XS756958.			Ntfy S3. GK	
53.	1240	2d Bde--4/23 elements request 1 dustoff for 1 US personnel with a broken hand, in XS756958.			Ntfy S3. GK	
54.	1245	2d Bde--A/1/5 and B/1/5 have closed their NL. Hq/1/5 is coordinating to stay inside Tan Son Nhut airbase. A/1/5 and B/1/5 will be sending out elements to RIF their entire AO in order to familiarize themselves with the AO.			Ntfy S3. GK	
55.	1245	2d Bde--D/4/9 elements closed their NL.			Ntfy S3. GK	
56.	1250	2d Bde--4.2-inch mortar elements of 1/27 Inf are employed in Tan Son Nhut.			Ntfy S3. GK	
57.	1252	2d Bde--All 4/23 elements are moving to XS768953.			Ntfy S3. GK	
58.	1255	2d Bde--B/4/9 elements are in XT832063 and XT825-056. C/4/9 and D/4/9 are in the NL.			Ntfy S3. GK	
59.	1310	2d Bde--D/4/9 will RIF from XT814064 allong the terrain features to XT816064.			Ntfy S3. GK	
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60.	1300	2d Bde--A/1/5 and B/1/5 are in XS796970.			Ntfy S3. GK	
61.	1315	2d Bde--Recon/1/27 element closed 1/27 NL.			Ntfy S3. GK	
62.	1325	2d Bde--Hq/4/23 and Recon/4/23 are in XS785967.			Ntfy S3. GK	
63.	1345	1/5 Mech LNO--1/5 Mech NL is in XS796970.			Ntfy FDC. TW	
64.	1355	2d Bde--A/1/5 and B/1/5 departed their NL at 1350 for a RIF in their AO.			Ntfy S3. GK	
65.	1355	2d Bde--A/4/9 is in XT805062. B/4/9 elements are in XT826064 and XT825057. D/4/9 is in XT813074.			Ntfy S3. GK	
66.	1425	2d Bde--ARVN agency (Jigger-6) in XS752994 is in contact with estimated 2 VC, and requests assistance of 2/34 Armor.			Ntfy S3. GK	
67.	1437	2d Bde--53d RF ARVN element in XS752994 is in contact with estimated 1 VC Co. The VC are moving to the south and southwest.			Ntfy S3. GK	
68.	1440	2d Bde--A/1/5 Mech is in XS792980. 1 member of A/1/5 was attacked by a rampaging water buffalo, which 1/5 elements killed.			Ntfy S3. GK	
69.	1453	2d Bde--A/4/9 is in XT792047. D/4/9 is in XT811-061.			Ntfy S3. GK	
70.	1510	2d Bde--B/1/5 Mech closed the NL.			Ntfy S3. GK	
71.	1535	2d Bde--53d ARVNs have used a US LFT and request a US airstrike on the VC in XS752994.			Ntfy S3. GK	
72.	1540	2d Bde--A/1/5 is in XT803008.			Ntfy S3. GK	
73.	1550	2d Bde--A/4/9 is in XT787053. B/4/9 is in XT827056. D/4/9 is in XT815068.			Ntfy S3. GK	
74.	1600	2d Bde--1/5 Mech requests a dustoff for 1 US heat casualty.			Ntfy S3. GK	
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2d Bde--1/5 Mech wants the dustoff it requested to be cancelled.

Ntfy S3. GK

76.

1610

Bn CO--found 1 VC body floating in a stream in XT817051, where much arty was fired about 4 days ago.

Ntfy S3. JR

77.

1618

2d Bde--D/4/9 closed their NL. (NIGHT LOCATION)

Ntfy S3. GK

78.

1635

2d Bde--B/1/5 Mech closed NL.

Ntfy S3. GK

79.

1635

2d Bde--25th Div wants 1 element of 1/5 Mech to be on standby support for Capitol Military District night.

Ntfy S3. GK

80.

1650

2d Bde--A/4/9 closed their NL. B/4/9 is in XT825-047.

Ntfy S3. GK

81.

1655

2d Bde--1st Bde wants to use 1/5 Mech tanks to support defense of Cu Chi subsector tonight.

Ntfy S3. GK

82.

1725

2d Bde--A/1/5 and B/1/5 Mech NL is XS796970. Hq/1/5 Mech NL is in XS806974.

Ntfy S3. GK

83.

1755

2d Bde--B/4/9 is in XT811054.

Ntfy S3. GK

84.

1845

2d Bde--B/4/9 is in XT818053.

Ntfy S3. GK

85.

1850

2d Bde--A/4/23 closed their NL at 1840.

Ntfy S3. GK

86.

1932

2d Bde--All 4/9 elements are in their NL.

Ntfy S3. GK

87.

1950

2d Bde--4/23 Mech is to provide 1 Co and Recon plt to assist 53d ARVN elements in their operations tomorrow.

Ntfy S3. GK

88.

2020

2d Bde--1/5 Mech will keep their tanks at Tan Son Nhut.

Ntfy S3. GK

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2045

A/1/8--fired on an intelligence target: 100 to 150 VC in XT843046. Report given a US C-6 rating.

Ntfy S3. CG

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90. 2355

2d Bde--US forces will have to react fast to aid ARVN OP in XS7695 if the VC start to overrun it. There is a large group of VC to the southwest of the outpost, moving east to west.

Ntry S3. GK

91. 2400

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MJR.

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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

PERSONNEL: 929

1639

VC KIA (BC): 892

VC KIA (POSS):

1638

1. Weapons

DES

DAM

a. mortars

17

2

b. MG's

11

2

2. Buildings

289

117

3. Bridges

10/1

0

4. Trenches

3

0

5. Bunkers

99/127

29

6. Vehicles

3

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7. Sampans

108/109

9

8. Boats

14

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9. Sec Expl

105/106

0

10. Ammo dumps

1

0

PLANS SUMMARY:

MOVES: A/1/8 moved from Duc Hoa to FSB Harrison.

PLANNED MOVES FOR 4 June: None.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 546,759 rounds.

The Bn strength is 18 guns operational.

A/1/8 is in FSB Harrison (XT736048).

B/1/8 is in FSB Pulaski II (XT803050).

C/1/8 is in FSB Pulaski II (XT803050).

FDC is in FSB Harrison (XT737049).

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4 June

B Troop, 3rd Squadron, 17th Air Cavalry flying armed aerial reconnaissance along the ORIENTAL RIVER south of BAO TRAI had five separate engagements with small groups of VC moving in the vicinity of the river. The engagements resulted in 17 VC KIA and six enemy sampans destroyed. Helicopters of D Troop, 3rd Squadron, 4th Cavalry flying similar missions along the SAIGON RIVER in the vicinity of PHU HOA DONG destroyed 13 enemy sampans throughout the day.

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1.	0001	JOURNAL OPENED.	MJR.				
2.	0140	A/1/8--D/4/9 elements had 1 US slightly wounded due to arty impacting 400 meters away, across the river from their AP in XT815077. Fire was traced to 1st Div arty which did not have our clearance.	Ntly Div Arty. SG				
3.	0535	A/1/8--D/4/9 elements received more arty splash. 25th Inf Div Arty informed. None of our units claim to be firing.	Ntly Div Arty. VC				
4.	0615	2d Bde--C/65 Engr elements are beginning a sweep of the MSR.	Ntly S3. GK				
5.	0700	2d Bde--A/1/5 and B/1/5 Mech elements departed their NL.	Ntly S3. GK				
6.	0705	2d Bde--C/65 Engr elements report that the MSR is clear from Tan Son Nhut to the Hoc Mon bridge.	Ntly S3. GK				
7.	0715	2d Bde--Air strikes for 4/9 Inf will begin at 0730.	Ntly S3. GK				
8.	0740	2d Bde--Air strikes for 4/9 Inf are completed. Results: 3 bunkers destroyed, 2 bunkers uncovered. D/4/9 elements departed their NL. An LFT will be on station to support D/4/9 at 0805.	Ntly S3. GK				
9.	0800	2d Bde--2d Bde S3 requests that Bde Chemical Officer inform him of all types of CS chemical agent dispensers available, including grenades.	Ntly S3. GK				
10.	0815	A/6/77--became attached to 1/8 Arty at this time. Btry center is XS80079530.	Ntly Div Arty. JR				
11.	0825	2d Bde--PF elements from Hoc Mon District are working in a hamlet vic XT7200 today.	Ntly S3. GK				
12.	0830	2d Bde--B/4/23 elements departed their NL.	Ntly S3. GK				

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13.	0835	2d Bde--There are 3 aircraft from the 116th Assault Helicopter unit at 4/9 NL.				Ntfy S3. GK
14.	0850	2d Bde--A/4/23 Mech elements departed their NL.				Ntfy S3. GK
15.	0912	FDC--4 btrys fired a prep for 4/9 Inf from 0905 to 0910 in XT7909. A/1/8 fired 18 HEQ, 5 HEVT. B/1/8 fired 16 HEQ, 10 HEVT. C/1/8 fired 18 HEQ, 42 HEVT. B/3/13 fired 16 HEQ, 10 HEVT.				Ntfy Div Arty. VC
16.	0930	4/9 LNO--A/4/9 elements have landed in XT793092. The LZ is cold.				Ntfy Div Arty. RW
17.	0930	1/5 Mech LNO--A/1/5 is in XS789955. B/1/5 is in XS764930. C/1/5 is in XS787950.				Ntfy FDC. RW.
18.	0950	2d Bde--Airstrike for 4/9 Inf is completed.				Ntfy S3. GK
19.	1000	2d Bde--requests that C/4/9 is shown as securing the Hoc Mon bridge during the Div. briefing.				Ntfy S3. GK
20.	1005	2d Bde--The command and control aircraft for 1/27 Inf will be airborne at 1010 hr. B/1/27 is preparing to airlift out for today's operations.				Ntfy S3. GK
21.	1017	2d Bde--During the first airstrike for 4/9 Inf the aircraft involved drew ground fire. Another air strike is going in.				Ntfy S3. GK
22.	1020	1/27 LNO--B/1/27 elements have landed in LZ-1 at XT707007, and LZ-2 at XT707004. Both LZ's are cold.				Ntfy S3. GK
23.	1035	B/7/11--A/1/5 Mech is in XS781745.				Ntfy FDC. VC
24.	1036	2d Bde--A/4/9 elements in XT794096 engaged 2 VC with small arms. VC did not return fire. VC losses unknown.				Ntfy S3. MJR
25.	1045	2d Bde--B/4/9 elements in XT788094 destroyed 7 bunkers 4x3x3 ft.				Ntfy S3. MJR

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26.	1045	2d Bde--1/27 Inf elements have landed in LZ-3 at XS710980, and LZ-4 at XS710986. Both LZ's are cold.				Ntfv S3. GK	
27.	1045	2d Bde--A/1/5 is in XS800980. B/1/5 is in XS793-969.				Ntfy S3. GK	
28.	1050	2d Bde--B/4/23 Mech elements completed their sweep and are returning to their NL.				Ntfy S3. GK	
29.	1050	2d Bde--A/4/9 elements in XT794094 found on the ground and evacuated 1 AK-47.				Ntfy S3. MJR	
30.	1055	2d Bde--C/1/27 elements are on the ground in LZ-3 at XS710980, and LZ-4 at XS710985. Both LZ's are cold.				Ntfy FDC. CG	
31.	1100	2d Bde--A/4/23 and B/4/23 elements give their ETA at their NL as 1130 hr. C/4/23 elements are in XS777955.				Ntfy S3. GK	
32.	1110	B/7/11--A/1/5 elements in XS705985 found 20 old, empty bunkers.				Ntfy Div Arty. SG	
33.	1115	2d Bde--A/4/9 elements in XT794093 found 2 VC bodies killed by arty. Credit is given to D/3/13.				Ntfy S3. MJR.	
34.	1120	1/27 LNO--B/1/27 elements are in XT699002 and XS699995. C/1/27 elements are in XS708985 and XS705990. In the latter grid they found 1 105mm dud rd which they will destroy in place.				Ntfy Div Arty. SG	
35.	1130	2d Bde--B/4/9 elements in XT790090 found and destroyed 1 RPG-7 rd, 1 Chicom grenade, and assorted clothing. They captured and evacuated 1.5 lbs of documents, 1 Russian watch, 2 field packs, and 1 canteen.				Ntfy S3. MJR.	
36.	1205	2d Bde--B/4/9 elements in XT791089 found and destroyed 25 lbs polished rice, 1000 ft electrical wire, 12 spider holes 3x3x3 ft, and 2 Chicom gren-					
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36 cont.		ade. They evacuated 1 AK-47, 30 rds AK-47 ammo, 0.5 lb documents, 8 flashlight batteries, and 2 flashlights.	Ntfy S3. MJR.		
37.	1205	1/27 LNO--B/1/27 elements will land at LZ-5 in XS705982, and LZ-6 in XS707977.	Ntfy S3. GK		
38.	1220	2d Bde--A/1/5 and B/1/5 elements are returning to their NL.	Ntfy S3. GK		
39.	1235	2d Bde--A/4/23 and B/4/23 elements closed their NL at 1130. C/4/23 closed their NL at 1220. A/4/23 will be relieved of its mission to provide security for the bridge at XS782968, being replaced by B/4/23 at 1400 today.	Ntfy S3. GK		
40.	1237	2d Bde--B/4/9 elements in XT791088 destroyed 6 bunkers 5x3x4 ft.	Ntfy S3. MJR.		
41.	1305	2d Bde--A/4/9 elements in XT795086 have 1 US WIA from fragments.	Ntfy S3. GK		
42.	1314	2d Bde--A/4/9 elements in XT795086 found 1 VC body killed by arty. Credit is given to C/6/77.	Ntfy S3. MJR		
43.	1335	2d Bde--A/4/9 elements in XT796082 found 1 VC body killed by arty. Credit is given to D/3/13.	Ntfy S3. MJR.		
44.	1340	2d Bde--B/1/27 elements in XS693972 destroyed 4 bunkers 3x3x4 ft.	Ntfy S3. MJR		
45.	1355	2d Bde--B/4/9 elements in XT792083 destroyed 13 bunkers 4x5x3 ft.	Ntfy S3. MJR		
46.	1400	2d Bde--A PF element from the Hoc Mon District will be working vic XT7504 and XT7604 today.	Ntfy S3. GK		
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47.	1405	2d Bde--B/4/23 replaced A/4/23 as bridge security			
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48.	1415	2d Bde--D/4/9 closed their NL.				Ntfy S3. GK	
49.	1430	1/27 LNO--C/1/27 elements have landed in XS705954 and XS704950. Both LZ's are cold.				Ntfy Div Arty. RW	
50.	1435	1/27 LNO--B/1/27 elements landed in XS698957. The LZ is cold.				Ntfy Div Arty. RW	
51.	1435	2d Bde--B/4/9 elements in XT792083 destroyed 1 bunker 6x4x2 ft..				Ntfy S3. MJR	
52.	1455	2d Bde--C/1/27 elements in XS692964 destroyed 3 bunkers 3x3x4 ft.				Ntfy S3. GK	
53.	1525	2d Bde--C/1/27 elements in XS715992 apprehended 4 detainees and turned them over to IPW.				Ntfy S3. MJR.	
54.	1540	2d Bde--Airstrike supporting 4/9 Inf completed.				Ntfy S3. GK	
55.	1600	B/1/8--All 1/27 elements have returned to their NL, vic XS815997.				Ntfy FDC. JR	
56.	1600	2d Bde--C/3/17 Cav elements in XT772089 found 2 VC bodies killed by arty. Credit given to B/1/8.				Ntfy S3. MJR	
57.	1641	2d Bde--C/4/23 elements in XS780954 have 1 US WIA, who needs medical attention.				Ntfy S3. GK	
58.	1642	2d Bde--Recon/1/5 elements closed their NL.				Ntfy S3. GK	
59.	1650	2d Bde--1/5 Mech will be released from OPCON 2d Bde and become OPCON IIFFV at 1800 today. They will coordinate with IIFFV immediately. 1/5 Mech HQ remains at CMD Hq in Tan Son Nhut. There is a possibility that the maneuver companies of 1/5 will remain in the same area they are in now.				Ntfy S3. GK	
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60.	1650	FDC--4 btrys fired a prep for B/4/9 elements from 1620 to 1640 on XT77280832, resulting in a cold LZ. A/1/8 fired 24 HEVT, 14 HEQ. B/1/8 fired 96 HEVT, 14 HEQ. C/1/8 fired 96 HEVT, 18 HEQ. B/3/13 fired 30 HEVT, 6 HEQ.		Ntfy Div Arty. VC	
61.	1830	2d Bde--1/5 Mech and 1/5 Mech AO become the responsibility of IIFV. 2d Bde will not be responsible for this AO.		Ntfy S3. GK	
62.	1850	2d Bde--will not conduct combined operations with 5th ARVN elements. Div G-3 wants emphasis placed on operations in the Tan Son Nhut/Saigon rocket belt.		Ntfy S3. GK	
63.	2000	2d Bde--informed all units operating along the MSR that C/1/5 will be moving down the road to join up with the 1/5 units at Tan Son Nhut sometime tonight.		Ntfy S3. GK	
64.	2015	2d Bde--C/4/9 AP in XT815054 engaged 3 VC with small arms, automatic weapons, and M-79's. VC did not return fire. Results: 2 VC KIA (BC), 1 VC KIA (POSS), and 3 AK-47's captured.		Ntfy S3. GK	
65.	2215	2d Bde--C/4/9 elements in XT814054 engaged 4 VC with small arms, automatic weapons, and M-79's and claymores. VC did not return fire. Results: 3 VC KIA (BC), 1 VC KIA (POSS).		Ntfy S3. GK	
66.	2215	2d Bde--Division wants 2d Bde to maintain a close liaison with 1/5 Mech TF. All reports concerning activity in their AO will be relayed to Div.		Ntfy S3. GK	
67.	2210	B/1/8--C/4/9 elements in XT825054 spotted 4 VC. B/1/8 fired illumination, and C/4/9 elements saw 4 more VC. C/4/9 engaged the VC with small arms and auto weapons, resulting in 5 VC KIA (BC) and 2 VC KIA (POSS).		Ntfy Div Arty. VC	
68.	2400	JOURNAL CLOSED.		MJR.	
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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

During the reporting period enemy activity was moderate. B/1/8 is credited with 2 VC KIA (BC).
Totals are as follows:

PERSONNEL:

VC KIA (BC): ~~893~~ 931VC KIA (POSS): ~~4638~~ 1639

	DES	DAM
1. Weapons		
A. MORTARS	17	2
B. MG's	11	2
2. Buildings	289	117
3. Bridges	20 11	0
4. Trenches	3	0
5. Bunkers	99 127	29
6. Vehicles	3	3
7. Sampans	108 109	9
8. Boats	14	0
9. Sec expl	105 106	0
10. Ammo dumps	1	0

PLANS SUMMARY

MOVES: None.

PLANNED MOVES FOR 5 June: None.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 547,277 rounds.
The Bn strength is 18 guns operational.
A/1/8 is at FSB Harrison (XT736048).
B/1/8 is at FSB Pulaski II (XT803050).
C/1/8 is at FSB Pulaski II (XT803050).
FDC is at FSB Harrison (XT737049).

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The night defensive position of the 3rd Squadron, 17th Air Cavalry at XT 483196 came under a heavy mortar attack and company sized ground attack at 0113 hours. Receiving a total of 60 mixed 60mm and 82mm mortar

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rounds, the cavalrymen reacted swiftly to the ground attack before it could get seriously underway. Fire was placed on the enemy by organic weapons, armed helicopters and artillery. A search of the perimeter area following the abortive assault located seven VC KIA, one POW, two AK-47 rifles, two RPG rocket launchers, nine RPG rounds, eight hand grenades and six mines.

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1. 0001 Journal Opened.

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2. 0130 B/3/13--fired 10 rds illumination in support of ARVN advisors (Peptic Dogma 141), who had been in contact in XT770100.

Ntly Div Arty
WM

3. 0615 2d Bde--C/65 Engr and D/4/9 elements acting as road security forces encountered a large road block in XT751015. The road block consisted of car bodies, tires, trees, brush, and a large VC flag in a tree. It will take approximately 30 minutes to clear the road block.

Ntly S3. GK

4. 0711 FDC--4 btrys fired a prep for B/1/27 and C/1/27 elements from 0705 to 0710 in XT79241080. A/1/8 expended 28 HE. B/1/8 expended 60 HE. C/1/8 expended 60 HE. B/3/13 expended 23 HE. B/1/27 and C/1/27 elements landed in a cold LZ.

Ntly Div Arty
SG

5. 0715 2d Bde--received notification of the completion of the prep for 1/27 Inf.

Ntly S3. GK

6. 0725 B/1/8--C/1/27 elements landed in XT793108. The LZ is cold.

Ntly S3. GK
Ntly Div Arty. CG

7. 0730 2d Bde--C/65 Engr elements report the road block has been cleared and that they are continuing on the sweep of the MSR.

Ntly S3. GK

8. 0740 C/1/8--B/1/27 elements landed in XT793112. The LZ is cold.

Ntly Div Arty.
EW

9. 0745 C/1/8--There will be an air strike in XT8011 at 0745 hr.

Ntly FDC. EW

10. 0745 2d Bde--The fighter aircraft performing the air strike in support of 1/27 Inf must return to

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their base to refuel. The air strike is not classified as complete yet.

Ntfy S3. GK

11.

0750

C/1/8--Gunships supporting B/1/27 elements found a cache of rice and ammunition in XT792118. The infantry elements are changing the direction of their sweep in order to secure the rice and ammo.

Ntfy Div Arty.
EW

12.

0750

2d Bde--The Recon elements of 4/9 Inf ran into a platoon of ARVN troops and are going to assist the ARVNs in searching a tunnel complex in the area around XT806060.

Ntfy S3. GK

13.

0755

2d Bde--C/65 Engr elements report that the MSR is clear from Tan Son Nhut to the Hoc Mon bridge.

Ntfy S3. GK

14.

0800

2d Bde--B/4/23 elements departed their NL vic XS787957.

Ntfy S3. GK

15.

0800

2d Bde--A/4/9 and B/4/9 departed their NL's vic XT782059 and XT803050, respectively, to participate in today's activities.

Ntfy S3. GK

16.

0805

C/1/8--B/1/27 elements are in XT798114. C/1/27 elements are in XT795112. Both units report negative findings.

Ntfy S3. GK

17.

0815

B/7/11--B/1/5 Mech elements are in XS780935. They have not found anything yet today.

Ntfy Div Arty.
TSW

18.

0828

2d Bde--Elements of the 3/17 Cav will be working in and to the north of the 4/9 Inf AO today.

Ntfy S3. GK

19.

0840

2d Bde--The 1/27 Inf will release the 116th Assault Helicopter Co from their control today at 0900.

Ntfy S3. GK

20.

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2d Bde--D/4/9 elements departed their NL vic XT813007 to participate in a RIF.

Ntfy S3. GK

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21.	0900	2d Bde--ARVN elements are going to be working in XT754015, near the area where C/65 Engr elements found the road block. The ARVNs will conduct a sweep of the area.			Ntfy S3. GK
22.	0930	2d Bde--B/4/23 and A/2/34 Armor elements closed Tan Son Nhut.			Ntfy S3. GK
23.	0950	FDC--will not fire a prep for A/1/5 Mech LZ in XS743978, or C/1/5 Mech LZ in XS744961.			Ntfy 1/5 LMO. VC
24.	0955	2d Bde--The Recon element of 4/23 Mech closed Cu Chi. They will pick up the Engr road crew and escort them to the 4/23 NL.			Ntfy S3. GK
25.	1000	2d Bde--3/17 Cav elements will be working in the 4/9 Inf AO for the entire morning.			Ntfy S3. GK
26.	1000	2d Bde--C/1/27 elements sustained 1 US heat casualty.			Ntfy S3. GK
27.	1050	B/7/11--A/1/5 Mech elements have landed in a cold LZ in XS703978. B/1/5 Mech elements have landed in a cold LZ in XS698968. No prep was fired as there are friendly troops in the area.			Ntfy Div Arty. VC
28.	1100	B/7/11--B/1/5 Mech elements closed their NL.			Ntfy FDC. VC
29.	1135	2d Bde--B/4/23 elements report that ARVN troops informed them that there are VC on the Hoc Mon bridge.			Ntfy S3. GK
30.	1135	2d Bde--Recon/4/23 elements are en route to their NL with the Engr elements.			Ntfy S3. GK
31.	1138	2d Bde--C/4/23 elements in XS706967 found many old bunkers filled with water and smelling of dead bodies.			Ntfy S3. GK
32.	1210	2d Bde--Recon/4/23 elements will be set up in			
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their position in about 15 minutes. They were delayed due to the main road being unusable as there was a fire fight going on at the time, and they had to use the back road.

Ntfy S3. GK

33. 1210

2d Bde--D/4/9 elements will depart their NL at 1230 to go on boat operations.

Ntfy S3. GK

34. 1230

Div Arty--The FDC should contact ARVN advisors (Peptic Dogma 141) concerning a report of a VC location in XT770110.

Ntfy FDC. CG

35. 1240

2d Bde--The Div briefing will be at 1745. The LNO's briefing will be at 1600.

Ntfy S3. GK

36. 1243

2d Bde--D/4/9 elements have closed their NL after performing boat operations. Their Light Scout Team has been released.

Ntfy S3. GK

37. 1300

B/1/8--A/1/5 Mech elements are in XT763046.

Ntfy FDC. VC

38. 1315

2d Bde--There is an intelligence report of a VC Bn digging in at XT848046.

Ntfy S3. GK

39. 1325

B/7/11--C/1/5 Mech elements in XS698968 found 1 piece of paper with the initials S,A,I,R,A,D. The exact worth of this find is not known now.

Ntfy S3. SG

40. 1330

B/1/8--C/1/5 Mech elements vic XS744962 found a piece of paper with unknown priority, having a heading reading "SAIRAD."

Ntfy Div Arty. TSW

41. 1330

2d Bde--All elements of D/4/9 have closed their NL.

Ntfy S3. GK

42. 1505

2d Bde--3/17 Cav elements spotted 2 individuals taking evasive action vic XT738082. They plan to engage them if they show up again.

Ntfy S3. GK

43. 1634

2d Bde--Recon/1/27 elements closed their NL at 1633.

Ntfy S3. GK

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44.	1645	2d Bde--B/4/9 elements are in XT815055 and are presently en route to their NL.	Ntfy S3. GK
45.	1720	2d Bde--Recon/4/23 Mech elements completed their operations for the day. 1 element returned to their NL. 1 element returned to Cu Chi with the Engr elements.	Ntfy S3. GK
46.	1730	2d Bde--B/4/9 elements closed their NL at 1727.	Ntfy S3. GK
47.	1730	2d Bde--4/9 Inf released their command and control OH-23 helicopter at 1712.	Ntfy S3. GK
48.	1740	2d Bde--1/27 Inf has released the 116th Assault Helicopter Co.	Ntfy S3. GK
49.	1740	2d Bde--HHG/4/9 elements sustained 1 US injured. The EM involved requires medical attention.	Ntfy S3. GK
50.	1930	2d Bde--Recon/4/23 and Engr elements closed Cu Chi.	Ntfy S3. GK
51.	1950	2d Bde--All elements using the 116th Assault Helicopter Co tomorrow must wear gas masks.	Ntfy S3. GK
52.	2140	2d Bde--C/1/27 elements have 1 US injured at their NL. The EM involved is running a temperature.	Ntfy S3. GK
53.	2250	2d Bde--C/4/9 elements engaged 8 to 10 VC in XT855059 with M-60 MG and M-79's. The US unit will check out the area in the morning. The VC had crossed the bridge across the river and were moving east.	Ntfy S3. GK
54.	2400	Journal closed.	MJR.

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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: 931

VC KIA (BC): 893 VC KIA (POSS): 1638

	DES	DAM
1. Weapons		
A. Mortars	17	2
B. MG's	11	2
2. Buildings	289	117
3. Bridges	10-11	0
4. Trenches	3	0
5. Bunkers	99-127	29
6. Vehicles	3	3
7. Sampans	108-109	9
8. Boats	14	0
9. Sec Expl	105-106	0
10. Ammo dumps	1	0

Plans Summary.

MOVES: None.

PLANNED MOVES FOR 6 June: None.

Other Significant Information.

The total amount of ammunition expended since arrival in country is 547,576 rounds.

The Bn strength is 18 guns operational.

A/1/8 is at FSB Harrison (XT736048).

B/1/8 is at FSB Pulaski II (XT803050).

C/1/8 is at FSB Pulaski II (XT803050).

FDC is at FSB Harrison (XT737049).

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WILBURT L. JENKINS, MAJ, Arty, S-3.

6 June

Company A, 4th Battalion, 9th Infantry conducting an air mobile combat assault at 0745 hours near the SAIGON RIVER town of PHU LONG, landed in a "hot LZ" at XT 851048. As the company landed it drew heavy small arms fire, automatic weapons and rocket fire from an unknown size enemy force in the area. The infantrymen returned fire and called in supporting artillery, armed helicopters and air strikes. At 1140 hours, A Company was reinforced by F Company, and at 1400 hours Company A, 1st Battalion, 27th Infantry moved in to reinforce the two companies of the 4th Battalion, 9th Infantry. All three units remained in contact with the enemy throughout the day and into the night. When the infantry swept through the area of contact the following day, they discovered 46 VC KIA and one POW. Documents taken from the dead enemy and the POW identified the enemy unit in contact as the 1st Battalion, 101st NVA Regiment.

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Div Arty--Saigon is receiving incoming rds. The DARMA program was initiated, with A/1/8 firing 18 HEVT, A/6/77 firing 20 HEVT, B/7/11 firing 12 HEVT, and B/3/13 firing 38 HEVT.

Ntfy FDC, DivArty.
VC

3.

0610

2d Bde--C/65 Engr elements started their sweep of the MSR.

Ntfy S3. GK

4.

0620

2d Bde--One man of B/4/9 elements accidentally wounded himself in the thumb at 0535 hr while at a listening post. An investigation is being conducted now.

Ntfy S3. GK

5.

0650

2d Bde--Recon/1/27 elements departed their NL.

Ntfy S3. GK

6.

0655

2d Bde--C/4/9 elements report negative findings in the area where they sprung an ambush last night, vic XT855059.

Ntfy S3. GK

7.

0655

2d Bde--C/65 Engr elements have completed the sweep of the MSR.

Ntfy S3. GK

8.

0725

2d Bde--C/1/27 elements departed their NL.

Ntfy S3. GK

9.

0730

2d Bde--B/1/27 and D/1/27 elements departed their NL.

Ntfy S3. GK

10.

0730

2d Bde--The first CS chemical agent strike in support of 4/9 Inf has been completed.

Ntfy S3. GK

11.

0748

4/9 LNO--4/9 elements landed in a HOT LZ vic XT850045. 2 helicopter were shot down, 4/9 elements are in heavy contact. The contact is in a heavily populated area. 25th Inf Div CG clearance has been granted.

Ntfy S3. TSW

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12.	0800	2d Bde--4/9 elements have 1 US WIA, no dustoff is required at this time. The helicopter crews are uninjured.	Ntfy S3. GK
13.	0800	2d Bde--4/9 OH-23 command and control aircraft is released to 4/23 Mech. UH-1D helicopter has recovered downed helicopter crew and the WIA.	Ntfy S3. GK
14.	0805	2d Bde--25th Inf Div CG gives his approved clearance for selective arty fire.	Ntfy S3. GK
15.	0810	2d Bde--4/9 elements received fire from XT849049 when they went into the LZ at XT851048.	Ntfy S3. GK
16.	0825	2d Bde--Airstrike supporting 4/9 Inf complete at this time.	Ntfy S3. GK
17.	0848	2d Bde--A/4/9 elements received sporadic sniper fire from the east and are reconning the area by fire. They are also checking out all hooches in the area.	Ntfy S3. GK
18.	0905	2d Bde--4/23 Mech will will have A/4/23 and C/4/23 elements returned to them after 1/27 Inf has made its insertion. 4/23 elements will then operate in AO "Warrior."	Ntfy S3. GK
19.	0906	2d Bde--Both helicopters carrying 4/9 elements were downed by hostile action.	Ntfy S3. GK
20.	0911	2d Bde--C/4/23 elements departed their NL at 0841.	Ntfy S3. GK
21.	0928	2d Bde--The link-up point for Recon/4/23 elements is vic XS748973. A/4/23 and B/4/23 elements have departed their NL.	Ntfy S3. GK
22.	0930	2d Bde--A/4/9 elements received 1 RPG rd and	

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22	cont.	small arms fire from the east. A/4/9 elements are presently located in XT851048.	Ntfy S3. GK
23.	0948	2d Bde--A/4/9 elements spotted 10 VC. Gunships are working over the area where the VC were moving from.	Ntfy S3. GK
24.	1000	2d Bde--4/9 Inf has been given the support of 21 gunships (Little Bear 663). B/4/9 is in the NL and will act as a reaction force. D/4/9 is in the NL and will begin operations shortly.	Ntfy S3. GK
25.	1045	2d Bde--A/4/9 elements received fire from 1 position. They have the VC spotted now and are taking him under fire.	Ntfy S3. GK
26.	1104	2d Bde--The CS chemical agent ship supporting 4/9 Inf is back on station.	Ntfy S3. GK
27.	1119	2d Bde--A/4/9 elements are in XT851046 and are receiving sporadic fire from several VC. B/4/9 elements will land in XT855048 and link up with A/4/9.	Ntfy S3. GK
28.	1120	B/1/8--A/4/9 elements landed at 0750 in XT850045 to secure 2 downed aircraft. They recvd automatic weapons and RPG fire, and have sustained 5 US WIA at this time. 4/9 is putting CS chemical agents and smoke into the area of contact now.	Ntfy Div Arty. SR
29.	1138	2d Bde--A/4/9 elements request a dustoff for 3 US WIA in XT851046, with smoke support. A/4/9 has an unconfirmed total of 8 US WIA at this time.	Ntfy S3. GK
30.	1145	2d Bde--B/4/23 elements closed their new NL in XS768932. A/4/23 elements are conducting a RIF vic XS733965. Recon/4/23 elements are securing engr activities vic XS730058.	Ntfy S3. GK

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31.	1147	2d Bde--C/1/27 elements are in XS817982. B/1/27 elements closed their NL at 1137.	Ntfy S3. GK
32.	1200	2d Bde--D/4/9 elements are in XT804082. A/4/9 elements are still engaging the snipers.	Ntfy S3. GK
33.	1215	2d Bde--A/4/9 elements are receiving small arms fire from the east. They also received 1 RPG rd fired from 150 meters to their east.	Ntfy S3. GK
34.	1220	2d Bde--Dustoff aircraft supporting A/4/9 has been shot down by a RPG rd. Negative US casualties.	Ntfy S3. GK
35.	1220	2d Bde--C/1/27 elements closed their NL.	Ntfy S3. GK
36.	1230	2d Bde--A/4/23 elements are in XS709968. B/4/23 elements are in the NL. C/4/23 elements are in the NL except for 2 elements performing a RIF around the NL. Recon/4/23 elements are in XS730-958.	Ntfy S3. GK
37.	1240	2d Bde--A/4/9 elements are receiving fire from the west with occasional fire from the east and south. B/4/9 elements are moving from the north to join up with A/4/9.	Ntfy S3. GK
38.	1243	2d Bde--A dustoff aircraft is leaking fuel and the pilot holds the opinion that there is a good chance that the helicopter might explode. The ship was landed in the close vicinity of the 2 other aircraft that were shot down earlier today.	Ntfy S3. GK
39.	1246	2d Bde--D/4/9 elements are in XT810080. A/4/9 and B/4/9 elements report that the situation has not changed. Dustoff 159 is standing by at this time.	Ntfy S3. GK
40.	1303	2d Bde--A/4/9 and B/4/9 elements have linked up. All the civilians in the area have moved out, and the area is saturated with VC, which makes move-	

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ment for the 4/9 elements very difficult. They request air support.

Ntly S3. GK

41.

1303

2d Bde--A/4/9 elements are receiving sporadic fire from the west. They have sustained 11 casualties so far: 1 US KIA, 7, US WIA, 3 US unrecovered.

Ntly S3. GK

42.

1310

2d Bde--4/9 Inf will receive part of A/1/27 and part of 1 other Co of 1/27 Inf to support them. The elements will be dropped into the LZ used by B/4/9. The second subelement of 1/27 Inf will be from D/1/27.

Ntly S3. GK

43.

1314

2d Bde--Another airstrike is going in to support 4/9 Inf at this time.

Ntly S3. GK

44.

1315

2d Bde--A/4/23 elements are in XS723960. B/4/23 and C/4/23 elements are in the NL. Recon/4/23 elements are in XS730958.

Ntly S3. GK

45.

1333

2d Bde--Airstrike supporting 4/9 Inf complete at 1332. A 5th airstrike may be called in with 2d Bde approval.

Ntly S3. GK

46.

1336

2d Bde--A/1/27 and D/1/27 elements are prepared to depart in support of 4/9 Inf.

Ntly S3. GK

47.

1345

2d Bde--D/4/9 elements are moving to their NL. 5th and 6th airstrikes to support 4/9 Inf elements in contact have been initiated. A/4/9 and B/4/9 elements report no change in the situation.

Ntly S3. GK

48.

1400

2d Bde--The 6th airstrike supporting 4/9 Inf has been completed.

Ntly S3. GK

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2d Bde--Arty is firing in support of 4/9 Inf after

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50.	1441	2d Bde--D/4/9 elements closed their NL.	Ntfy S3. GK
51.	1444	2d Bde--A/4/23 elements closed their NL.	Ntfy S3. GK
52.	1445	2d Bde--Arty supporting 4/9 Inf has checkfired to allow a LFT to work over the area.	Ntfy S3. GK
53.	1500	4/9 LNO--A/4/9 elements in XT851056 are in contact to their east, southwest, and west. US casualties are not known at this time. B/4/9 elements are in XT851061 and are in contact to their west, and sustained 1 US KIA and 1 US WIA. A/1/27 elements are in XT852063 and are not in contact. 2 UH-1D and 1 dustoff helicopters have been shot down so far.	Ntfy Div Arty. SR
54.	1500	2d Bde--requests a command and control aircraft tonight for 4/9 Bn CO, and a flare ship to be on station for 4/9 Inf tonight.	Ntfy S3. GK
55.	1514	2d Bde--Recon/1/27 elements closed their NL.	Ntfy S3. GK
56.	1605	2d Bde--Recon/4/23 elements and Engr elements are in XS730956.	Ntfy s3. GK
57.	1617	2d Bde--4/9 Inf has 3 US litter and 6 US ambulatory WIA dusted off at this time.	Ntfy S3. GK
58.	1640	2d Bde--The 8th airstrike supporting 4/9 Inf has been completed.	Ntfy S3. GK
59.	1659	2d Bde--The crew of the downed dustoff aircraft has just been picked up.	Ntfy S3. GK
60.	1700	2d Bde--A/4/9 elements have 1 US KIA, 3 US MIA.	

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1 US WIA.

Ntfy S3. GK

61. 1702 2d Bde--Aircraft supplying 65 chemical agent to
support 4/9 Inf is making a run at this time.

Ntfy S3. GK

62. 1702 2d Bde--B//9 elements are trying to recover the
3 US MIA's.

Ntfy S3. GK

63. 1706 2d Bde--A//23, B//23, and C//23 elements are
in their NL. Recon/4/23 and Engr elements are in
XS730958.

Ntfy S3. GK

64. 1714 2d Bde--Gunships supporting 4/9 Inf have run out
of ammo and are returning to Cu Chi to rearm.

Ntfy S3. GK

65. 1758 2d Bde--Another airstrike is going in to support
4/9 Inf. A//9 is still receiving fire.

Ntfy S3. GK

66. 1820 2d Bde--Illumination will be supplied 4/9 Inf at
1900. Type is unknown at the present.

Ntfy S3. GK

67. 1835 2d Bde--A LFT is staying in the area to help out
during the extraction of the 3 downed helicopters.
The gunships are released.

Ntfy S3. GK

68. 1913 2d Bde--The dustoff helicopter has been evacuated

Ntfy S3. GK

69. 1920 2d Bde--The first helicopter has been evacuated,
and is crossing the river now.

Ntfy S3. GK

70. 1925 2d Bde--The second helicopter has been lifted out

Ntfy S3. GK

71. 1930 2d Bde--The "Moonglow" aircraft will have to go
off station due to inclement weather. As soon as
the weather breaks either the "Moonglow" or a
"Spooky" aircraft will return.

Ntfy S3. GK

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72. 1942 2d Bde--A//9 elements' NL has been closed out.

Ntfy S3. GK

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73.	2000	2d Bde--Recon/4/23 elements closed their NL.	Ntfy S3. GK
74.	2000	2d Bde--Casualties for 4/9 Inf as of 1830: A/4/9 has 1 US KIA, 11 US WIA, 3 US MIA. B/4/9 has 1 US KIA, 5 US WIA. All casualties except the MIA's have been dusted off.	Ntfy S3. GK
75.	2045	2d Bde--The command and control aircraft for 4/9 Inf will be delayed until 0800 tomorrow, and the troop carrier UH-1D's until 0830 tomorrow, due to maintainence requirements.	Ntfy S3. GK
76.	2050	2d Bde--4/9 Inf will be assigned a LFT for tomorrow for D/4/9's operations.	Ntfy S3. GK
77.	2105	2d Bde--4/9 elements have captured 1 VC POW who was armed with a pistol.	Ntfy S3. GK
78.	2145	2d Bde--A/4/9 elements have recovered one of the MIA's; change his status to KIA. They have not recovered the other 2 MIA's yet.	Ntfy S3. GK
79.	2210	2d Bde--One member of A/4/9 has been wounded by fragments from a VC grenade. The command and control ship will take him out when he arrives at the A/1/27 location. The WIA is ambulatory.	Ntfy S3. GK
80.	2215	2d Bde--Both remaining US MIA's are dead. 4/9 Inf elements will pull back and use more arty, and check out the area in the morning.	Ntfy S3. GK
81.	2240	2d Bde--Dustoff for the latest A/4/9 WIA has been completed.	Ntfy S3. GK
82.	2305	2d Bde--A/1/27 elements rcvd sniper fire from the west, resulting in 2 US WIA who will be evacuated with the rest of the 4/9 elements. The fire came	

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