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S3, 5th Bn, 46th Inf			LZ Gator BS575963			FROM HOUR 0001		TO DATE 19 May 68	
			(3)			HOUR 2400		DATE 19 May 68	
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1	0001		Journal Opened.						
2	0026		C6 to TOC: At 0005 C26 received 1 ea satchel charge thrown from an unknown direction and distance. 1 man has frag wounds in right side of face. Received no small arms fire, C26 saturated area with their small arms.				Bde informed.		
3	0025		C6 to TOC: Request priority dustoff for 1 US with wounds from satchel charge, lights will mark area. called at 0027, completed at 0042. Location 533948.						
4	0026		C6 to TOC: Request illumination for C26 at 533948.				S3 informed.		
5	0030		C6 to TOC: The C26 explosion was probably due to a HG which came from 310° from C26's position. C26 felt VC threw a grenade from some bushes to front of perimeter. The HG exploded 6 to 8' in front of perimeter. Illum called, and area was checked with negative results. Will check out at first light. Grid 533948.						
6	0518		D Co to TOC: At 0045 hours OP5 reports 1 man crossing his front 250 meters away. He was spotted by starlight scope. OP5 fired small arms at him. Negative results, checking out area at first light.				S3, Bde informed		
7	0630		D6 to TOC: OP5 stopped vehicle 1/2 Ton with marking of unit being 509th. Had a SGT Ward, SP5 Bobek, SP4 Kisher. OP5 sent vehicle back to Bayonet. Bde was informed and asked to stop vehicle at gate.				S3, Bde informed.		
8	0653		C65 to SM33: 26 element searched area of satchel charge. Found 2 US type grenades, old ones. Grid 533948.				S3, Bde informed		
9	0652		ER2 to SM33: Request heli surv of OT-180° Has people running out of village at 547970. (TRIBINH Rem)				CC sent to area.		
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10	0806		C65 to TOC: C26 blew 2 grenades he found at 0810. He used 2 small packets of C4 location 533948.	Bde notified.			
11	0930		SM2 to SM33: At 0600 hours 8 PRU's and 3 Americans went on village raid in Tri Binh (4) 550934. At 0930 hours PRUs reported detaining 1 VCS female. Her son is a known VC. She was evacuated to Bde PW point. At 1000 hours a demo team went to village to blow tunnel in home, tunnel was 4-5 feet long. Tunnel was blown with a bangalore torpedo. PRUs and US ret to Nuoc Man at 1300 hours.				
12	0931		C65 to TOC: Need urgent dustoff at 511913 for 1 man with bullet wound. This man is with C26. He is a litter patient. Dustoff called at 0933, completed at 1003.	S1, S3, Bde informed.			
13	1000		HBS to SM33: PFs spotted 4 VC at 646029 at 0945 hours. We reported to Bde approx 1040, that CAP 4 is preparing to check out area with their element. Results: Cap 4 moved through area with negative results.	M, S2, Bde informed.			
14	1008		C65 to TOC: Fire mission for C26: Grid 510940, prox 1500, direction 90°.				
15	1025		C6K to TOC: Leaving Gator to check out C element in contact.				
16	1100		C6K to TOC: C26 received small arms fire from his position 300 meters East and 500 meters West. This put him in a crossfire. Called arty, firing stopped approx 1145, regrouping to check area.				
17	1130		C65 to TOC: C16 at 462008 saw 5 or 6 rockets fired from 471017. He heard several secondary explosions. There is a spotter plane looking over area now. Arty called, heard 3-4 secondary explosions. C6 instructed C16 to check 471017 area ASAP.				

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18	1110		D6 to TOC: Helicat element hit two mines and are under fire now at 696935. 1113: Request dustoff for 2 US WHA. One being interpreter SGT Hung and other being RTO PFC Hechler. Both have minor wounds. At 1135 D26 hit 3rd mine, 1 US WHA SP4 Newell who died of wounds received. Dustoff called at 1138 completed at 1155. First two mines believed to command det due to fact that 1 hit in front and 2nd hit in back of 3rd track in clmm. Third mine was on exit trail of ford site coord 696935.		Bde informed.
19	1614		A65 to TOC: A16 at 696959 sniped at from 698959, returned fire and thinks he has a kill, is sending a squad to check it out. A16's squad saw 10-15 VC with the one that was shot. Squad threw grenades and fired auto wps and called in arty, squad returned to A16 location. A16 is checking it out now.		S3, S2, Arty, Bde notified.
20	1652		A65 to TOC: A16 while proceeding to VC area came across 3 or 4 snipers, is still getting sniped at. 4.2 are firing mortars and A16 is going to keep calling in fire.		
21	1703		A6 to TOC: A16 sniped at by 15 VC, 4.2 mortars fired on position. I gave him instructions to work this on out, can D26 come up and block using tracks?		
22	1802		A6 to TOC: A16 is entering village at 695958.		S2, Bde informed
23	1836	✓	A6 to TOC: A16 (-) entered village and found blood trails, is following blood trails. Cav is proceeding to burn the village. Village is Van Thong (1) 698959.		S3, Bde notified
24	1839	✓	A6 to TOC: One helicat hit a mine and exploded it, request dustoff for 3 US, LZ not secure, will mark with smoke. 4 other US minor wounds, Bryan, Richman, Dean evacuated, SSG Davis, PFC Davis, Emmer, Holt treated in field by medic. Mine was an		

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24	(Continued)		unknown type located at 698956. When tracks came into position ESW of village 2 men dismounted from tracks. When re-mounting tracks, Bryson stepped on a mine.	S3, Bde notified.	
25	1917		A6 to TOC: Size of original element, squad (-) this element sent 2 or 3 people to check out what they thought was a kill, later received more fire and called in 4.2 then went to village to check out possible kill. A16 and Hellcats went into village together scout element observed 10-15 VC at 50 meters one with AK47, 2 with carbines, several M16s.	Bde informed.	
26	1925		A6 to TOC: Area Cav was going into is a known minefield. I instructed Cav to coordinate with A16 to find these 10-15 VC. I knew area was mined, that is why I used tracks. To my knowledge tracks did not express any reluctance to go into this area.	Bde informed.	
27	1933		A6 to TOC: Talked to man who shot sniper at range of 400 meters, one man saw group bending over body, VC shot at him, his helmet has a bullet hole through steel, he threw a grenade and fired a magazine, then left because he was out numbered, have not talked to man with him.	S3, S2, Bde informed.	
28	1734		DELAYED ENTRY: C65 to TOC: Night Locations C26 RON 530940, C21 bush 525957, C22 bush 515957, C15 will leave and move as far as he can tonight, it could take 20 hours to get to their objective, will work as fast as possible.		
29	1810		DELAYED ENTRY: C6 to TOC: C26 will have two bushes out until dark. Have noticed increase of male population in village. Bushes will return to C26 for local security. Request Interpreter and MI man for tomorrow.	S2, Arty, Bde informed.	

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