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ORGANIZATION OR INSTALLATION		LOCATION		PERIOD COVERED				
S3, 5th Bn, 46th Inf		LZ Gator BS568963 (4)		0001	12 Jun 68	2400	12 Jun 68	
ITEM NO	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.				ACTION TAKEN	INITIALS
	IN	OUT						
1	0001		Journal Opened.					
2	0600		Foxhole Report: MAN OP					
			A Co	78	46			
			B Co	62	82			
			C Co	59	77			
			D Co	61	91			
			E Co	20	69			
3	0655	✓	A36 has 8 detainees at 660014. Requests an interpreter. ANS: S2 will take his Kit Carson to area approx 0900.				Screened 16 VCS kept 8 for further questioning. Bde informed.	
4	0700		CAP 6&8 patrol encounter 3 VC. Results: 1 VC KIA, no friendly casualties.				Bde informed.	
5	0902		A Co requested priority dustoff for Al6's RTO (CAPPSS) and Arty FO (LT Reese). Both were injured when a grenade was either thrown or tripped it is not known which way it happened. CAPPSS received frag wounds in groin area, is in good condition, no permanent damage, is at 23rd Hospital. LT Reese received frag wounds in left leg- is in good condition at 2nd Surg. Patrol was in a file formation CAPPSS had on armor vest, LT Reese did not. There was no warning prior to detonation. Dustoff called at 0903, completed at 0916.				Bde informed.	
6	1010		S2 has 5 detainees to be evacuated to LZ Bayonet, all are CD. Request chopper from Bde.				Bde informed.	
7	1030		S2 detainees evacuated to LZ Bayonet.					
8	1030		CAP 135 patrol at 706969 was guarding VN wood choppers. They received 20 rounds M-1 and AK-47 fire from 714958. A46 and Swift Boats fired mortars on suspected sniper location no more contact was made. Search of area negative results.				Bde informed.	
9	1422		D16 was CAed from Gator to Tri Binh (1) vic 555989.					

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9	(Continued)	Basis for CA was Intel report from Bde rec'd at 1300 hours that Do My was at Tri Binh (1). Results: 1 detainee, 2 M-16 magazines. DL6 returned to Gator at 1710.				
10	1817	Al6, 36 at 674006 received heavy auto and semi- CO, Sl, Medics fire from estimate squad size VC at two locations Bde informed. (672013, 672011). Artillery, gunships and swift boats were called in for support and helix was also on station. Two men from A Co were hit. Urgent dustoff called at 1830, completed 1843. Al6, 36 then maneuvered into Dong Le (4) with cover from gunships and illum from Swift boats. The ground troops spread out and reconnoitered the area by fire. At 2057 Al6 point element saw a VN running out of Dong Le (4). Al6 point shot him down. Dead VCS had no weapon, equip, or papers. Incident at grid 663012. There was no further contact. LT Stauffer and PFC Decker were men injured. LT Stauffer received wounds in his back, shoulder and head. He is in good condition at 9th Support, will be back to duty in 9-10 days. PFC Decker received a round in the head is at 2nd Surg in critical condition. He has open head wound and massive brain damage.				
		died 13 JUNE				
11	2105	CAP 2 patrol (at 608999) received two incoming hand grenades. 10-20 small arms rounds accompanied the grenades. CAP 2 estimates VC to be within 50 meters of their location. A small reaction force was sent out to search the area, but got negative results. There was no further contact, no friendlies injured, no equip captured.				
12	2150	R2 (560973) was set in bush location when 2 VC walked within 10 meters of their location. VC were moving from South to North. 4 people from R2 fired on VC. R2 felt sure they had a body count, but thorough search turned up 1 US M-1 carbine, SN501811, 1 magazine, 2 pr sandals, no bodies. The rifle strap on the M-1 was shot in half leading R2 to believe				
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12	(Continued)		that he did get some hits. R2 will check the area again tomorrow. R2 moved to new bush location.						
13	2306		Received revised plans for A36.				S3 informed.		
SUMMARY:									
0902:	A Co requested dustoff for 2 US wounded by grenade.								
1030:	CAP 135 patrol received sniper fire from 714958. Fire was returned with mortars. Search of area brought negative results.								
1422:	DL6 was CAed from Gator to Tri Binh (1), results: 1 detainee, 2 M-16 magazines.								
1817:	AL6, 36 received heavy sniper fire from estimated squad of VC. 2 US WHA(E) LT Stauffer had wounds in head, back, and shoulder. Is in good condition. PFC Decker had an open head wound with massive brain damage, prognosis: poor.								
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Friendy losses for the period: 4 WHA									
Enemy losses for the period: 1 KIA									
Friendy losses to date: 8 KHA, 129 WHA									
Enemy losses to date: 14 KIA, 11 CD CIA, 13 individual wpns, 48 grenades.									
14	2400		Journal closed.						
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