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From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding General, First Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
Subj: Command Chronology for period 1 Dec 1966 to 31 Dec 1966

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2  
(b) FMFPACO 5750.8  
(c) DIVO 5750.2B

Encl: (1) 5th Marine Regiment Command Chronology  
(2) Headquarters Company, 5th Marine Command Chronology  
(3) 1st Battalion, 5th Marines Command Chronology  
(4) 3rd Battalion, 5th Marines Command Chronology

1. In accordance with the provisions of reference (a), (b), and (c), enclosures (1), (2), (3), and (4) are submitted.

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1. ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

A. Designation and location. 5th Marine Regiment, Chu Lai, RVN.

B. Period covered 1 December 1966 through 31 December 1966.

C. Command and Staff Officers.

(1) CO

Colonel C. F. Widdecke  
11 Dec. 1966 through 26 Dec.  
1966. Colonel Fred E.  
Haynes Jr. 27 Dec. 1966  
through 31 Dec. 1966.

(2) XO

Lt. Colonel W. H. Draper

(3) S-1

Captain F. D. Strong

(4) S-2

Major B. R. Cummins

(5) S-3

Major G. Hubbard

11 Dec. 1966 through 2 Dec.  
1966. Captain G. K.  
YOUNG 2 Dec. 1966 through  
31 Dec. 1966.

(6) S-4

Major L. E. Johnson

(7) S-5

Captain H. F. Gableman

(8) ALO

Major H. F. Schrippel

(9) COMM.O.

Major C. R. Brindell

(10) HEADQUARTERS CO., CO.

Captain R. G. Babich

(11) REGIMENTAL SURGEON

Lieutenant M. H. Davis (MC) USN

(12) REGIMENTAL CHAPLAIN

Lt. Cmdr. F. B. Baggott USN

D. Average Strength.

USMC OFFICERS	85
USMC ENLISTED	2443
USN OFFICERS	7
USN ENLISTED	111

2. COMMANDERS NARRATIVE SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTSA. The most significant events for the reporting period  
the promotion of Colonel Widdecke to Brigadier General,  
and the Passing of Command to Colonel Fred E. Haynes Jr.  
on 27 December 1966 at the Regimental Command Post.  
(see Note 1)B. All units continued their extensive patrolling activity  
during the reporting period, with ambushes and listening  
posts being used to their fullest advantage. A high

level of activity was maintained despite adverse weather conditions. Battalion size and Company size search and destroy operations with platoon size sweeps aided in the control of the tactical area of responsibility.

- C. During the reporting period Second Battalion, Fifth Marines continued under the direct operational and administrative control of the First Marine Division. The Seventh Marines, under Task Force X-Ray, maintains operational control of the First and Third Battalions, Fifth Marines. This Headquarters, also under Task Force X-Ray, retains administrative control of the First and Third Battalions. Regimental Headquarters remained in place at Hill 35 in the Chu Lai TAOR and continued as an informational, administrative and logistical headquarters.
- D. The majority of the primary regimental staff officers are in absentia and function as staff members of Task Force X-Ray, while the regimental commander continues as Chief of Staff, Task Force X-Ray. The regimental executive officer maintains on the spot control of the headquarters itself.

### 3. DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- A. Personnel. No significant personnel changes occurred during the reporting period.
- B. Administration. Second Battalion continued under the administrative control of First Marine Division. No other significant administrative changes occurred.
- C. Intelligence. The S-2 Section continued to process and disseminate intelligence data. The services were rendered to the Command Post complex with primary requirements being that of dissemination of information received from the various sources.
- D. Training. General military subjects instruction as well as technical military occupation training continued with emphasis on those subjects of immediate applicability to our current commitment. A Sniper Contact Team from First Marine Division held a three day course for Regimental snipers. The below listed formal schools were utilized by the Regiment.

	Total	Attended	Duration	Place
Vietnamese Language	5	5	8 weeks	Oki
Landmine, Warfare	120	120	3 days	RVN

E. Special Operations. See Encls. (3) & (4).

F. Command & Control. Operational control of 1st Battalion and 3rd Battalion, 5th Marines remained with the 7th Marines, with 2nd Battalion operational control under 1st Marine Division.

G. Close Combat. See Encl. (4) reaction of 14 December.

H. Fire Support. Artillery missions fired in support of 5th Marine units at Chu Lai are reported as follows:

MISSIONS	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL
105H	43	28	235	306
107MORT	21	5	77	103

ROUNDS EXPENDED	HE	ILL	WP	OTHER	OBS	UNOBS	H&I
105H	1440	111	69	2	300	220	1102
107MORT	692	236			286	18	624

4th Battalion, 11th Marines

MISSIONS	OBS	UNOBS	H&I	TOTAL
155G	0	0	4	4
155H	22	0	69	91
8" H	0	2	2	4

ROUNDS EXPENDED	HE	ILL	WP	TOTAL
155G	11	0	0	11
155H	362	13	6	381
8" H	9	0	0	9

i. Logistics. During the first week of December the access road to the Regimental CP, Hill 35, was washed out by the heavy rains, thus becoming totally dependent on Carrier, cargo, amphibious, M-76 for re-supply. A walkway was constructed over the rice paddies for use by the troops in carrying trash, garbage, mail, etc. to and from the dismount point and CP.

Regimental level inspections of logistics, supply and embarkation in the Battalions and Headquarters Company in preparation for forthcoming inspections by higher headquarters was conducted.

Cantonment construction was completed on fourteen tin roof huts by MCB-40 to be used within the Regimental CP for billeting, office space and storage.

On 29 December 1966 MCB-40 started conversion of thirty strongbacked tents to tin roofs. This will be

completed during January.

Road and drainage improvement continues, but is almost impossible without the aid of heavy engineer support, which has been sporadic during the month. On or about 26 December 1966, 9th Eng. Bn. started construction of a sand berm road along side the present washed out access road. This is to be completed during January 1967.

j. Civil Affairs. Medical Civic Action patrols treated 7565 civilians during this month.

Dental medical civic action patrols have provided dental assistance, provided toothbrushes and coordinated oral hygiene classes for approximately 250 Vietnamese.

Four truck loads of lumber were distributed for use on the constructing of the remodeling of schools within this TAOR.

Christmas parties within the TAOR resulted in an attendance of approximately 1000 Vietnamese. Assorted gifts of candy, clothing, calendars, pencils and writing paper were distributed.

English language classes were coordinated on a daily basis for 65 Vietnamese.

Two village hog cooperatives have been formed and constructed completed on two hog shelters. Local pigs are currently being raised and will be bred with American pigs on arrival from USAID sources.

k. Nuclear Biological and Chemical or other Special Type of Warfare. Nothing significant to report.

l. Medical. On 13 December 1966, about 25 battlecasulities from "M" Company, Third Battalion, Fifth Marines were evacuated through Regimental Aid Station to First Medical Battalion. The quantity and quality of medical personnel were found to be adequate with one physician, three corpsmen (Hq. Co. rates two on T/O), two Dentists, and two dental technicians caring for the casualties.

The space available for casualty care proved too cramped for optimum performance. Subsequently the Regimental Aid Station (a 16 X 32' roofed hut) was redesigned with the following changes to insure better triage and emergency care of the wounded.

(a). Existing partition removed.

(b). Mount-cut and other supplies stored in rear of Regimental Aid Station in tarpaulin covered area.

(c). Area refurbished to provide adequate emergency treatment facilities for at least seven non-ambulatory wounded patients.

m. Dental Facility. A total of 100 persons were seen during the month of December with a total of 934 procedures.

n. Chaplain's Activities. The following information is covering Chaplain support during the period 1 December 1966 to 31 December 1966:

PROTESTANT		
Sunday Worship	4	109 attended
Episcopal Communion	2	7 attended
Christmas Eve Service	1	91 attended
Catholic		
Mass	3	64 attended

Catholic coverage for the Regimental Headquarters was made by Chaplain Edward Toner. Chaplain R. F. Wood L.D.S. Chaplain, made one visit to the L.D.S. personnel. Chaplain assisted the Red Cross Field Director with seven cases involving 5th Marine Regiment personnel. Chaplain distributed 250 gift packets from Red Cross Chapters in the United States and 75 packages from individuals, schools, and clubs to the men in Headquarters Company.

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DOCUMENTATION

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G/Chancery 2. Note 2 Unit Journal S-3

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Regimental Bulletin 5060

From: Commanding Officer  
To: Distribution List

Subj: 5th Marines Change of Command Ceremony

Ref: (a) LPM 1960

Encl: (1) Diagram of formation area  
(2) Sequence of events

1. Purpose. To publish instructions for the conduct of a Regimental Change of Command Ceremony for 27 December 1966.

2. Background. On 27 December 1966, Brigadier General Charles F. Widdecke will pass command of this Regiment to Colonel Fred E. Haynes Jr. The instructions contained herein outline details for the conduct of the formal Change of Command Ceremony.

3. Time and Place. The Change of Command will take place at the Regimental Headquarters, Encl (1). At 1000 on 27 December 1966.

4. Commanding Officer of Troops and Staff.

- a. Commanding officer of troops: Major L. E. Johnsen
- b. Parade Adjutant: Captain F. D. Strong
- c. C.O. of troop's Staff will consist of the Regimental

S-1

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5. Participating Units.

- a. Headquarters Company, 5th Marines. Two platoons of 30 men each with Platoon Commander, Platoon Sergeant and right guide and Company Commander with Guidon Bearer.

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b. 1st Battalion, 5th Marines. One platoon of 30 men with Platoon Commander, Platoon Sergeant and right guide. One senior officer to represent the Battalion and guidon bearers for each Company of the Battalion.

c. 3rd Battalion, 5th Marines. One platoon of 30 men with Platoon Commander, Platoon Sergeant and right guide. One senior officer to represent the Battalion and guidon bearers for each Company of the Battalion.

6. Formation for Ceremony. The formation for the ceremony will be Regiment on line with platoons on line. Encl (1).

7. Sequence of Events. See enclosure (2).

8. Uniform and Equipment. Uniform and Equipment for the Ceremony will be uniform of the day w/normal arms and helmets. Normal arms except all troops in platoon ranks will have rifles. Cartridge/pistol belt (no shoulder-holsters) with four magazines in four pouches for riflemen and one pouch with two magazines for pistol men. First aid packet will be worn on belt. No Bayonets or canteens will be worn.

9. Assignment of Tasks.

- a. Regimental S-1
  - (1) Extend invitations to guests (list for Executive Officer).
- b. Regimental S-4
  - (1) Provide suitable seats for guests (Encl 1).
  - (2) Provide 2 tables and necessary paraphernalia for coffee and pastry.
  - (3) Cause mess officer to set up suitable coffee/snack service with white coated messmen in attendance (Encl 1).
  - (4) Provide stand for speakers microphone (Encl 1).
- c. Communications Officer.
  - (1) Provide suitable amplifier, microphone, speakers, etc.
  - (2) Provide taped music (Martial and Marine Hymn).
- d. S-3 Officer will coordinate ceremony.

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## e. Headquarters Commandant

- (1) Provide security for C.P. area.
- (2) Provide guides and traffic controllers.

10. Colors

- a. Color Company will be Regimental Headquarters Company.
- b. Colors will be received and positioned by 0830.

11. Rehearsal. All participating personnel will be in position at 0830 for a rehearsal.12. Administrative Instructions

- a. All personnel not participating in the ceremony nor assigned essential duties will be present as spectators (Encl 1 for position). Uniform for these personnel is a neat uniform of the day with weapon.
- b. Other personnel and guests are invited. Position with personnel in (a) above.
- c. In the event of inclement weather the ceremony will be held informally in the office of the Commanding Officer.

12. Self-Cancellation ~~31 December 1966~~

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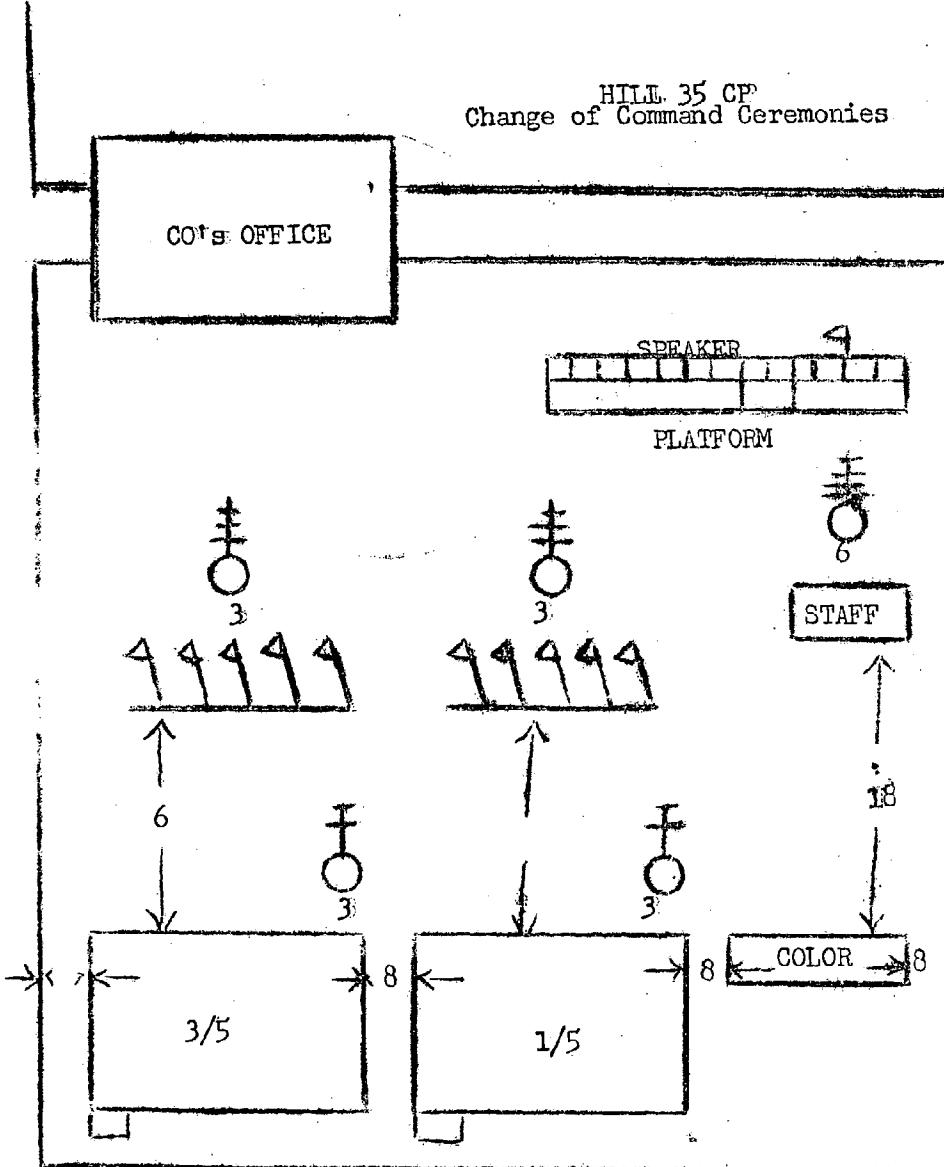
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PARTICIPANTS

HILL 35 CP  
Change of Command Ceremonies



LEGEND

CO of Troops 24 paces line of Troops.

CO HQ Co & Senior Bn. Rep. 9 paces forward of Troops.

Plt Cmdrs 3 paces

Guidon Bearers 3 paces rear of Cmdrs.

Encl 1.

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<u>EVENT</u>	<u>SEQUENCE</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
0830	Communications in position and tested. Seats & tables positioned.	(Report when ready to S-3)
0830	Troops in position. Colors picked up and moved to position.	
0830	Rehearsal	
0915	All Details accomplished	(Sections report completion)
0955	Music by tape.	(Comm.)
1000	Old and New CO of troops have arrived at reviewing position. The Adjutant takes position and calls attention, present arms, faces the CO of troops and reports the ceremony formed. CO of troops directs, take your post. Order arms.	
	CO of troops gives the manual of arms. Parade rest.	
	CO of troops directs the adjutant to "Receive the reports Sir", Adjutant reports.	
	CO of troops directs adjutant to publish the orders. The adjutant commands, "attention to order."	(The adjutant reads excerpts from Old CO's orders and then the new CO's orders.)
	Old and New COs take position on reviewing stand.	(No Officers center march. No boxing of staff.)
	CO of troops commands attention. The CO of troops directs the Adjutant, "Deliver the Colors to the Commanding Officer".	(See para 3-18d to reference (a).)
	The Adjutant after receiving the Regiment Colors proceeds to a point 2 paces in front of the CO of troops commands "Present Arms".	(Staff marches to flank to permit passage of colors.)
	The Adjutant delivers the colors to the Old CO.	(See 3-18e of reference (a).)

ENCLOSURE (2)

Upon receipt by the CO of the Colors from the New CO, the CO of troops commands "Order Arms".

(The Adjutant return the Colors to the Color bearer and takes his post in the CO of troops staff. The Old & New COs exchange positions. Staff move back to position.)

New CO of troops addresses Regiment. Upon completion of address, Old and New COs stand down from platform and CO of troops takes charge and proceeds to dismiss troops through Unit Commanders.

HQ Co. hold position til Colors are returned by Color Guard to CO's tent.

HQ 5th MARINES S-3  
010000H DEC 1966 to 012400H DEC 1966

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010001H	J-1	JOURNAL OPENED	S,F
010836H	J-2	AT 010815H "K" CO. AT BT 375054 CHECKED HOUSES FOR REF LIFE UP 2.0 FND ONE M-1 RIFLE, 1 MEA, 1 GREASE GUN. AT 0700H APPEARS WE SURPRISED OCCUPANTS, DESTROYED HOUSES. THREE SECONDARY EXPLOSIONS FROM HOUSES. ALSO CAP TWO WPNS (CD), 1 ART BELT, 1 HOME MADE GRENADE, 1 M-14 MAG POUCH WITH FIRST AID EQUIP.	
012400H	J-2	JOURNAL CLOSED	S,F S,F
020000H DEC 1966 to 022400H DEC 1966			
020001H	J-1	JOURNAL OPENED	S,F
022350H	J-2	AT 022215H AT BT 43097 4/11 MARGINAL SECURITY REC'D TWO RDS FROM APPROX 75 METERS NORTH OF MARGINAL POSITION. RETURNED APPROX 45 RDS ME, THREE FLARES. OBSERVATION WAS POOR & NO ONE OBSERVED.	
022400H	J-3	JOURNAL CLOSED	S,F S,F
030001H DEC 1966 to 032400H DEC 1966			
030001H	J-1	JOURNAL OPENED	S,F
031500H	J-2	AT 031330H "I" CO. F.T. SEC DISCOVERED SMALL CAVE EXR. APPROX 10 FEET INTO HILL SIDE. ONLY ONE ENTRANCE LOCATED AT PRESENT TIME. CAVE CHECKED OUT WITH NEG RESULTS.	
031700H	J-3	AT 031530H BT 465070 (4th PLT. CACK) REC'D REPT FROM VILLEGER AT 031430H THAT SIX ARMED VC WERE LOCATED AT BT 453073. CACK PLT CONSIS OF 40 PFS AND 9 MARINES, DEPLOYED TO ENEMY POSITION AND MADE CONTACT. KILLED ONE (1) VC NURSE WHO CARRIED MEDICAL KIT AND FOUR FRAG GRENADES. OTHERS CARRIED M1 RIFLES (1) SMG. VC BROKE CONTACT FLED SOUTH. CACK PLT PERSUED VC & SEARCHED AREA THOURGHLY WITH NEG RESULTS.	S,F
032100H	J-4	AT 031930H "K" CO., 4th PLT CAC PF UNIT, WERE UNDER TAKEN BY VC FIRE. (PF BT 450113 — VC BT 450115) PF'S RET'D FIRE AND REQUESTEE ILLUM. TEN RDS OF 107 ILLUM FIRED. PF'S ENVELOPED AND SEARCHED AREA, RESULTS NEG. PF'S WILL SEARCH AGAIN AT FIRST LIGHT. PF FORCE WAS 8 MEN, VC FORCE EST AT 12-15 MEN.	
032400H	J-5	JOURNAL CLOSED	S,F S,F

040001H J-1  
042400H J-2JOURNAL OPENED  
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040001H to 042400H DEC 1966

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S,F050001H J-1  
051000H J-2 050050H

JOURNAL OPENED

AT 050015H 4/11 "K" CO. GRENADE WAS THROWN IN VICINITY OF GUN #1 &amp; 2. USMC USED HAND FLARE, AND SAW SUSPECT RUNNING NORTH OUTSIDE OF THE WIRE. RETURNED SHORT BURST OF M-60 FIRE, FINAL REPORT WILL FOLLOW.

S,F

051030H J-3 050030H

AT 050020H "I" CO. REC'D APPROX FIVE RDS OF S.A. FIRE. NO FIRE RET'D. RESERVE SQD ALERTED &amp; ARE STANDING BY TO REINFORCE IF NECESSARY.

S,F

051345H J-4 051215H

AT 051210H "K" CO. BT 158162 UPON LANDING HELO, SNIPER FIRED THREE RDS AT IT. HELO HAD TO CRASH LAND. NO ONE HURT IN CRASH BUT ONE WIA FROM SNIPER FIRE. NEDEVAC.

S,F

051435H J-5 051410H

AT 051215H "M" CO. F.T. SEC AT BT 430041 TRIPPED A WARNING DEVICE MADE OF BAMBOO WITH TWO PIECES ACROSS THESE AND OTHER PIECES ATTACHED TO THE TOP SO THAT IT WINGS DOWN, STRIKING THE BOTTOM PIECE. CAUSING AN ALARM SOUND. TRIP WIRE MADE OF PIECE OF VINE. F.T. IS SEARCHING THE AREA. ENGR'S STEPPED IN BEAR TRAP WITH INJURY IN SAME AREA, THERE WERE ALSO FOUND TWO MORE BAMBOO ALARM DEVICES.

S,F

051735H J-6 051410H

AT 051320H "K" CO. IS PROVIDING SECURITY FOR DOWNED HELO. (BT 158162) MISSION OF SWEEPING ARC LIGHT AREA IS PARTIALLY ON THE WAY. NO FURTHER ENEMY ACTION AT THIS TIME.

S,F

051740H J-7 051712H

AT 051630H "K" CO. BT 169162 REC'D TWO RDS 81mm HE MORTAR, THREE RDS M-79, AND 40 RDS S.A. FIRE. WILL SET UP NIGHT DEF POSITION IN PRESENT LOCAL &amp; COORD. NIGHT DEF FIRES WITH TIEN PHOU AT BT 107147. THERE WERE TWO FRIENDLY WIA.

S,F

052200H J-8 052145H

AT 052230H "K" CO. AND RECON REC'D FOLLOWING RPT FROM RECON #3 ON AREA COVERED BY RECON UNIT AND "K" CO. TODAY. TERRAIN DESCRIBED AS CONSISTING OF PADDIES &amp; LOW HEAVY VEGETATED FIELDS. MANY LARGE BOMB CRATERS, 30' WIDE AND 20' DEEP. FOLIAGE BLOWN BACK TO A RADIUS OF 75YDS FROM THE EDGE OF THE CRATERS. FOUND NUMEROUS CAVES, ALLREADY DESTROYED. FOUND EIGHT(8) VC BODIES. NO DISCRIPTION GIVEN. CIVILIANS IN THE AREA ARE IN A GENERAL STATE OF SHOCK.

S,F

051900H J-9 052230H

AT 052230H "B" CO. BT 429138 SPOTTED A BOAT WITHOUT LIGHTS. CALLED ILLUM. SENT THREE PF'S TO INVESTIGATE. PURSUED BOAT, AND WENT AROUND

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060001H DEC 1966 to 062400H DEC 1966

060001H J-1	JOURNAL OPENED	S,F
061830H J-2 061800H	AT 061430H HQS BATTERY 2/11 FOUND TWO GRENADES, ONE IS OLD PINEAPPLE TYPE & THE OTHER IS UNRECOGNIZABLE. POSITIONS WERE MARKED BY USMC. EOD WAS NOTIFIED.	
061600H J-3 061535H	AT 061445H "K" CO. S&D MISSION (FOLLOW UP OF 052145H) DESCRIPTION OF EIGHT VC BODIES(8) DISCOVERED AFTER ARC LIGHT (BT 155165 APPROX) YESTERDAY. (1) OLD WOMAN AGE 50-60, (1) YNG WOMAN, (3) YNG MEN 20-30, (3) CHILDREN 6-8. IN ADDITION, ONE LEG AND SIX FRESH GRAVES CONTAINING TWO ADULTS AND FOUR CHILDREN OF UNDETERMINED AGE. NO WPNS FOUND.	S,F
061700H J-4 061620H	AT 061515H C.O. 1/5 WHILE HELO WAS EXTRACTING RICE, TWENTY RDS WERE REC'D (S.A. FIRE) FROM THREE TO FIVE SNIPERS ACROSS RIVER WITH A RANGE OF THREE HUNDRED METERS. RETURNED WITH SIXTY RDS S.A. FIRE AND CALLED ARTY MISSION, WHICH PLACED FOUR HE. RDS ON TARGET. SNIPER FIRE CEASED - WERE UNABLE TO SEARCH DUE TO RIVER BARRIER. 1 WIA BUT NO MEDEVAC NECESSARY.	
061830H J-5 061715H	AT 061615H "K" CO. BT 158162. HELOS CARRYING RESUPPLY AND TROOPS INTO CO. "K" (-) POSITION. REC'D 30-40 RDS S.A. FIRE FROM SURROUNDING AREA IN THE VICINITY OF BT 165168 AND BT 165170. HELO AGAIN REC'D 30 RDS S.A. FIRE WHILE LIFTING OFF FOR RETURN TO CP. ONE USMC WIA WHILE PROVIDING SECURITY FOR LZ. DOWNED HELO WAS SETTLED WELL INTO RICE PADDY UP TO FUSELAGE. DEF POSITION AROUND HELO HAS BEEN SET UP. CONTINUOUS SNIPER FIRE HAS BEEN REC'D THROUGHOUT THE DAY.	S,F
062000H J-6 061044H	AT 061715H DURING EXTRACTION OF "C" CO. REC'D SNIPER FIRE FROM 500 METERS TO WEST, APPROX TEN RDS. RETURNED FIFTY RDS S.A. FIRE TOWARDS GENERAL DIRECTION OF SNIPER. SNIPER FIRE CEASED. NO FURTHER ACTION TAKEN DUE TO ARRIVAL OF EXTRACTION HELOS. UNIT SUSTAINED 1 MIA, WHICH D.O.W. LATER.	S,F
061900H J-7 061845H	AT 061800H ONE 13 YEAR OLD BOY WAS CAUGHT TRYING TO STEAL A TRIPFLARE, OUTSIDE "K" CO OUTER WIRE. SUBJECT QUESTIONED AND RELEASED FURTHER INVESTIGATION TOMORROW BY SAME( PLAIN 2) SUBJECTS NAME → TRJANG CONG RANG. SUBJECT FAMILY WILL BE QUESTIONED TOMORROW ON SON'S ACTIVITIES. THEY LIVE IN 2/11 VILLAGE.	S,F
062400H J-8	JOURNAL CLOSED	SS,F

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070000H DEC 1966 to 072400H DEC 1966

070000H	J-1	070957H	JOURNAL OPENED	S,F
071000H	J-2	070957H	AT 070925H BT 141000 CO. AND BT 294134 REC'D FOUR RDS SNIPER FIRE AT A RANGE OF 250 METERS. ARTILLERY MISSION FIRED SIX RDS. SNIPER WAS NOT SEEN. ARTY FIRED SEVEN RDS HE. 105MM, GOOD COVERAGE. WILL SEARCH AREA. ONE WIA NON MEDEVAC.	S,F
071200H	J-3	071126H	AT 071030H "D" CO. S&D WERE SEARCHING HAMLET BT296134 AND FOUND ONE VC NURSES PACK & EQUIP. WILL SEND TO 1/5 S-2. FOR CONTENTS REFER TO SPOT REPORT.	S,F
072400H	J-4	071355H	AT 071045H "K" CO. REC'D ONE RD SNIPER FIRE BT 165176. RET'D TWENTY RDS S.A. FIRE AND THREE RDS M-79. AT 071100H, "K" CO. APPREH FOUR VCS (WOMEN) AND ONE VCS BOY IN AREA FROM WHICH SNIPER CAME. AT 071120H, ONE VCS MALE, AGE 30 WAS APPREH AT BT 156175. VCS BEING HELD AT "K" CO. POSITION. ONE VC KIA (CONF). ONE FRIENDLY WIA WITH GUNSHOT WOUND IN BACK. (TOTAL OF 6 VCS)	S,F
071500H	J-5	071414H	AT 071315H "K" CO. SEC PIL REC'D TWENTY RDS S.A. FIRE BT 163167 FROM BT 163164. RETURNED TWENTY RDS S.A. FIRE AND THREE M-79 RDS. SQD SEARCHED AREA. NEG RESULTS. ONE USMC WIA.	S,F
071700H	J-6	071600H	AT 071455H "K" & "M" COMPANIES CMD GROUP FORWARDED C.P. & MOST OF "M" CO. NOW AT BT 158172. ENEMY SNIPER FIRE HAS BEEN WELL SUPPRESSED. HELO SEC HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED. READY TO ASSIST RECOVERY TEAM.	S,F
072130H	J-7	072000H	AT 071845H "T" CO. (BT 431091) REC'D AUTO WPN FIRE FROM EST. RANGE OF 100 YDS (BT 431092) FROM PERIMETER. SIZE OF FORCE UNK. RETURNED APPROX THIRTY RDS S.A. FIRE. DISPATCHED F.T. TO INVESTIGATE SUSPECTED ENEMY POSITION.	S,F
072200H	J-8	072145H	AT 072101H "HQ" CO. BT 431086 HAD A FIVE MAN AMB ENGAGED BY INCOMING SMALL ARMS FIRE. ONE USMC WIA. RETURNED FIRE WITH RESULTS UNK. ONE HE EXPLOSION (UNKTYPE) AT BT 433083. AMB WITHDREW AT 072315 AND REPLACED BY FIVE MAN AMB AT COORD BT 429085. ONE USMC WIA, LEFT FOREARM.	S,F
072400H	J-9		JOURNAL CLOSED	S,F

080000H DEC 1966 to 082400H DEC 1966

080001H	J-1	080110H	JOURNAL OPENED	S,F
080200H	J-2	080110H	AT 080020H 3/5 CP BT 468075, REC'D ONE RD AT #19 BUNKER. DID NOT RETURN ANY FIRE.	S,F
081300H	J-3	081255H	AT 080925H "D" CO. S&D BT 292133 APPREH ONE VCS WHO TRIED TO FLEE OUT OF A HUT REAR DOOR. FOUND ALSO A DOCUMENT THAT APPEARS TO BE SOME KIND OF SIT. REP. VCS QUESTIONED & CLAIMS TO JUST A HANDY-MAN. INTERPRETER FEELS THAT HE IS LYING. VCS & DOCUMENT FWD TO ITT.	S,F
081300H	J-4	081200H	AT 080945H "K" CO. HAD A SQD S&D THAT SAW TWO VC RUNNING INTO HOUSE AT BT 166175. USMC FIRED ONE LAAM & TWENTY RDS LMG AT HOUSE, BUT VC	S,F

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ESCAPED. CAPTURED ONE VCS (FEMALE). USMC SUSTAINED ONE WIA. VCS IS SLOWLY BEING CARED FOR. SQD S&D BT 158172. NO VC IN AREA. THERE'S EVIDENCE OF RECENT AND RECENT MALLA ACTIVITY IN AREA. ADDITIONAL INFO TO FOLLOW FROM THE NUMEROUS SMALL FINDINGS. TWO RIFLES WERE ALSO CAPTURED IN THE CONTACT. USMC WIA WAS A LEG WOUND.

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081430H J-5 081400H AT 081200H "K" CO. SQD S&D BT 158172. DISCOVERED TEN FRESHLY DUG FIGHTING HOLES & TUNNEL. TUNNEL IS 35METERS LONG AT EDGE OF HEMLET BT 163171. FOUND CAVE AT BT 159173 CONTAINING TWO WPN& OTHER EQUIP. FOUND PUNJI PIT WITH 18 METAL STAKES ABOUT THREE FEET LONG. DESTROYED CAVE BY DEMO. APPREH FOUR VCS (MALE) AT BT 154176 WHO STATE THAT THERE IS ONLY LOCAL FORCES OF VC IN AREA. NOW CONDUCTING AGGRESSIVE PATRO-ING IN VALLIES TO THE EAST & WEST AND INTO THE HIGH LAND GROUND TO THE NORTH & SOUTH. INTEND TO CONTINUE PATROL PROBING FROM PRESENT PERIMETER. LIST OF CAPTURED EQUIPMENT CAN BE FOUND ON SPOT REPORT 081200H.

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082400H J-6 JOURNAL CLOSED

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090001H J-1 JOURNAL OPENED S,F  
 090200H J-2 090130H AT 090025H "I" CO. BT 430094. VC FIFTY METERS FROM POSITION BT 431093 WAS CITED. USMC FIRED FIVE RDS S.A. AND VC RET'D FOUR RDS AUTO WPNS FIRE. USMC FIRED ONE BURST OF FIVE RDS AND VC RETREATED, POSSIBLE WIA(ENEMY). S,F  
 091100H J-3 091345H AT 090915H "D" CO. S&D BT 300116 TRIPPED BOoby TRAP, UNK TYPE. BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN TWO FRAG GRENADES ATTACHED TO TRIP WI RE CONCEALED IN HEDGE ROW, APPROX ONE FOOT ABOVE GROUND. USMC RECEIVED SEVEN WIA'S. MEDEVAC COMP. S,F  
 091100H J-4 091345H AT 090920H "D" CO. S&D BT 302214 REC'D TEN RDS S.A. FIRE. COULD NOT SEE SNIPER. ARTY FIRED 13 RDS HE. SEARCHING AREA AT PRESENT. ONE USMC WIA, MEDEVAC. S,F  
 091800H J-5 091720H AT 091045H SQD PTL BT 165164 REC'D FIVE RDS S.A. FIRE FROM VILLE BT 169164. RET'D TEN RDS S.A. FIRE AND SEARCHED AREA WITH NEG RESULTS. S,F  
 091800H J-6 091615H AT 091100H RECON INSERT AIRCRAFT SIGHT EIGHT VC AT BT 166 149. ARTY FIRED FIVE RDS HE. INTO LOC. UNABLE TO CHECK RESULTS AT TH IS TIME. S,F  
 091800H J-7 091615H AT 091615H "D" CO. S&D BT 303142 (plt. pt) REC'D FIFTY RDS S.A. FIRE FROM THREE TO FOUR VC, APPROX 300 METERS. UNABLE TO SEE UNIF. ESTIMATE CARBINE AS WEAPONS. RET'D FIFTEEN RDS M-79, FOUR 60MM, AND TWO HUNDRED S.A. SNIPER CEASED. SEARCHED WITH INCONCLUSIVE RESULTS. S,F  
 092000H J-8 091900H AT 091710H 3/5 AT BT 164204. TWO ENEMY VC WITH WEAPONS SEEN IN HAMLET. A THOROUGH SEARCH IS UNDERWAY. TWO OTHER VC SEEN AT BT 157160 ON SMALL TRAIL. DISCOVERED GRENADE WITH TRIP

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WIRES AS BOOBY TRAP ON TRAIL WHICH WAS BLOWN IN PLACE. NO HIDE PLACES IN HEAVY FOLIAGE. VILLE AT BT 167172. NO HIDE PLACES IN TUNNELS, TRENCHES AND BUNKERS. PLAN TO RAN AS MANY HIDING PLACES AS POSSIBLE AT PRESENT. PATROLING AREA. PLAN TO AMBUSH OTHER AREAS IF NEC. ONE VC WIA (PROB). ONE SMALL SUITCASE WITH CLOTHES CAPTURED AT BT 167172. NO DETAILS YET.

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092100H J-9 092030H

AT 091800H GLOVE FWD. C-130 AIRCRAFT FLEW BY TWO OBSERVATION PASSES, DID NOT MAKE COM. MADE FINAL PASS AND DROPPED CARGO 400 METERS BEYOND DZ INTO HEAVY FOLIAGE ON HIGH TERRAIN. UNIT HAD PROBLEMS WITH UHF RADIO. AIRCRAFT DID NOT FOLLOW SMOKE LINE. REC'D VERY HEAVY AUTO WPNS FIRE FROM ABOVE GRID SQR. TROOPS ENROUTE TO RETREAT CARGO. DETAIL TO RETREAT CARGO HAS BEEN PULLED BACK BECAUSE OF DARKNESS, AND HEAVY FOLIAGE. WILL TRY TO RECOVER AT FIRST LIGHT. WILL AMB AND PLOT H & I FIRES IN VICINITY OF CARGO DROP.

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092400H J-10 092400H

AT 092400H HQS CO. BUNKER # 1 OBSERVED VCS OUTSIDE WIRES. RAN WHEN TOLD TO HALT IN VIETNAMESE AND ENGLISH. EIGHT RDS S.A. FIRE DIRECTED AT SUSPECT. DON'T BELIEVE SUSPECT WAS HIT.

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092400H J-11

WILL SEAR CH AREA AT 0630.  
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101315H J-2 101345H

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AT 100800H GLOVE FWD, "M" CO. SQD PTL S&D TRIPPED CHICOMM OR 60MM MORTAR RIGGED BOOBY TRAP ON JUNGLE TRAIL. TWO WIA (FRIENDLY). MEDEVAC. WOUNDS IN HEAD AND STOMACH.

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101400H J-3 101350H

AT 101255H GLOVE FWD BT 155173. BOOBY TRAP FND ON TRAIL AT BT 155161. TRAP CONSISTED OF FLAT PIECE OF WOOD WITH COMM WIRE ATTACHED. TWO PUNJI STAKES OFF TRAIL WITH CHICOMM GRENADE INSIDE BROKEN BOTTLE. GRENADE WAS EIGHT INCHES LONG MADE OF METAL WITH WOODEN HANDLE. BLOWN IN PLACE.

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101600H J-4 101520H

AT 101345H GLOVE FWD BT 164171, APPREH ONE MALE VCS AT HAMLET AT BT 164171. A BUNDLE OF DOCUMENTS WERE FND IN HIS HOUSE AND ALSO SOME IN ANOTHER HOUSE NEAR BY. DOCUMENTS WILL BE FWD TO ITT.

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102300H J-6 102220H

AT 102020H "M" CO. BT 165169 REC'D 20-30 RDS FROM BT 165170. NO CASUALTIES. RET'D TEN RDS S.A. FIRE AND ONE M-26 FRAG GREN. LINES ALERTED. ONE VC WIA (PROB). HEARD SHOUT, UNABLE TO CONF IN DARKNESS. WILL SEARCH AREA IN MORNING.

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110001H	J-1	111210H	JOURNAL	S,F
111330H	J-2	111210H	AT 110210H 111330H BT 164166 APPREH ONE MALE VCS ARE THIRTY. NO DOCUMENTS. INTERROGATION RESULTS NEG. VCS ADMITS TO BEING A TAX COLLECTOR. VCS FWD TO ITT.	S,F
111500H	J-3	111440H	AT 111050H "K" CO. OP BT 181174 WAS FIRED UPON BY SIX VC WITH AUTO WPNS. OP REC'D SIXTY RDS S.A. FIRE. RET'D TEN RDS M-79 AND THIRTY RDS S.A. FIRE. ENEMY WAS PURSUED BY USMC. NEG RESULTS. PTL'ING CONTINUED FROM PERIMETER, AND DESTROYING MANY CAVES & TUNNELS. TWO VC WIA PROB.	S,F
111600H	J-4	111537H	AT 111150H "M" CO. SQD PTL BT 164166. APPREH ONE VCS (MALE) AGE THIRTY, HIDING UNDER A BED IN A HUT. FWD TO ITT.	S,F
111800H	J-5	111440H	111220H "K" CO. BT .81174 REC'D SNIPER FIRE ONE MARINE WOUNDED IN STOMACH AND MERG MED-EVAC ON THE WAY. ONE PLT (+) WILL SWEEP AREA BELOW OP. SEVERAL VCS BEING BROUGHT IN FOR INTERROGATION. RESULTS TO FOLLOW.	S,F
111800H	J-6	111733H	AT 111330H "B" CO. F.T. SEC BT 429137 LOC THREE TUNNELS. NO SIGNS OF RECENT VC USE. 1st ONE AT BT 429137, 4'X4'X40', BUILT OF WOOD & BRICK. SECOND ONE AT BT 426134, WAS 3'X4'X8', ALSO OF WOOD & BRICK. THE THIRD WAS AT BT 430143, 4'X4'X5', BUILT OF SAME MATERIAL. ALL TUNNELS WER SEARCHED, NOTHING FOUND AND ALL WERE DESTROYED.	S,F
111900H	J-7	111830H	AT 111715H 3/5 FWD CP BT 179177, FOUR VC FIRED APPROX TWENTY RDS FROM ONE AUTO WPN. (BT 175174). RET'D TEN RDS AUTO FIRE AND 81mm MORTAR MISSION WHICH FIRED SIX RDS. TWO VC WIA (PROB.).	S,E
112400H	J-8		JOURNAL CLOSED	S,F

120001H DEC 1966 to 122400H DEC 1966

120001H	J-1		JOURNAL OPENED	S,F
121300H	J-2	121300H	AT 121135H "M" CO. HAD TWO MEN ON POINT OF PTL. THAT HIT A FRAG GRENADE BOOBY TRAP ON HEAVILY OVER GROWN TRAIL. MEDEVAC NOW UNDERWAY. USMC SUSTAINED 1 WIA AND 1 KIA. MISHAPE OCCURED AT BT 166164.	S,F
122000H	J-3	121940H	AT 121810H 3/5 BT 466965. A VIETNAMESE BOY ABOUT 15 YEARS OLD, ACCIDENTLY TRIPPED OVER A VC BOOBY TRAP OR DUD ROUNG. BOY WAS TAKEN TO BAS AND DOA. BODY WAS TURNED OVER TO PARENTS, RESIDENTS OF KY KHUONG VILLAGE; MATTER WAS THEN TURNED OVER TO S-5.	S,F
122100H	J-4	122040H	AT 121959H "L" CO. BT 496036 SIGHTED 11 LIGHTS MOVING NORTH & ALSO HEARD DRUM BEATS. LIGHTS APPEARED TO BE SIGNALLING. INFO PASSED TO CONIVE. ALL UNITS AWARE OF SITU.	S,F

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122400H	J-5	122325H	AT 122450H REC'D ONE GRENADE FROM WEST. 440086 BT 447097. THE GRENADE WAS THROWN IN FRONT OF GUN 40. NO PERSONNEL OR PROPERTY. ONE HAND FLARE SENT UP BY POST 5. NO ENEMY SIGHTED IN AREA. NO FIRE RET'D. THUS NO FURTHER ACTION TAKEN.	S,F
122400H	J-6		JOURNAL CLOSED	S,F
130001H DEC 1966 to 132400H DEC 1966				
130001H	J-1		JOURNAL OPENED	S,F
132400H	J-2		JOURNAL CLOSED	S,F
140001H DEC 1966 to 142400H DEC 1966				
140001H	J-1		JOURNAL OPENED	S,F
140500H	J-2	140430H	AT 140230H "HQ" CO. AMB ALT BT 440086 APPREH ONE FEMALE VCS. SHE WALKED PAST AMB CITE. VCS BROUGHT TO HQ CITE, BUNKER FOR INTERROGA- TION. RECEIVED VCS AGE APPROX 40-45. SHE SAID SHE WAS GOING HOME AND WAS PLAYING CARDS WITH FRIENDS. VCS HAD IN HER POSSESSION APPROX 140 DOLLARS, PORTABLE RADIO, AND FOUR JARS OF MED. INTERROGATOR SAYS SHE IS ARVN WIDOW. WILL BE FORWARDED TO ITT.	
140500H	J-3	140350H	AT 140250H "I" CO. BT 447080 REC'D FIVE BURSTS OF AUTO WPN FIRE. EACH BURST SIX- EIGHT RDS. TWENTY TO THIRTY INCOMING RIFLE GRENADES OR SMALL MORTARS. STOPPED AT 0320H. NO FIRE RET'D.	S,F
141100H	J-4	141015H	AT 140300H "M" CO. BT 450039. 57RR RD HIT MACHINE GUN BUNKER AT 140300H AND NEST RD ALSO 57RR HIT TENT. ENEMY SEPT UP HILL FROM SOUTHWEST. EST. ONE PLATOON VC, 8-10 ACTUALLY SEEN IN DARK GREEN UTILITIES. WELL EQUIPED. "M" CO. RECEIVED APPROX TWENTY RDS 57RR, TWENTY TO THIRTY GRENADES AND FIFTEEN TO TWENTY MORTAR RDS. NO WARNING GIVEN. VC OVER RAN TWO POSITIONS UP TO C.P. NO PUR- SUIT OF VC. USMC SUSTAINED 11 KIA, AND 14 WIA. ONE M-60MG & THREE FRC RADIOS DESTROY- ED. "I" CO. DISPATCHED ONE PLATOON BY AMTRACKS TO REINFORCEMENTS. ONE THOMPSON MACHINEGUN FND NEAR WIRE, AND NUMEROUS GRE- NADIES FND IN WIRE. EOD REQUESTED. EMERG MEDEVAC REQUESTED AND RECEIVED. PICKUPS WERE AT "HQ" CO. HELO PAD.	S,F
141300H	J-5	140852H	AT 140345H (FOLLOW UP) "I" CO. FOUND FIFTEEN HAND GREN (DEAD) CHINESE TYPE, TWO MAGAZINES (1) FOR GREASEGUN (1) FOR CARBINE, 9MM SHELLS. CLOTHES FND IN WIRE ESTIMATED FORCE OF 15 VC ONE KIA (ENEMY) PROB.	S,F

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141300H	J-6	140500	AT 140440H "M" CO. PLT SIZE DEFENSE OBS'D (BT 433056) TWO PLATES OF METAL TYPE WHICH WERE IDENTIFIED AS PLATES FROM M-3. NO ACTIVITY. PLATES ARE IN USE NOW ON 100% ALERT.	S,F
141400H	J-7	141230H	AT 141200H "M" CO. BT 423023 SPOTTED A MAN WITH A SPN RUNNING NORTH OF HILL ATC 127. NOW IN PURSUIT AT THIS TIME, WILL NOT GO UP HILL UNLESS GIVEN FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS.	S,F
142230H	J-8	142200H	AT 141600H "M" CO. PLT SIZE SEARCH OPERATION FND TWO MORTAR BASE PLATE TYPE. OBJECTS FND IN DRAWS. ONE FND IN EACH LOCATION (BT 43 4059 and 433058). PLATES DESCRIBED AS BEING MAGNESIUM OR ALUMINUM ALLOY, TEN INCHES IN DIAMETER WITH FLANGED BOTTOM AND TWO RINGS ON TOP. BOTH PLATES ABOUT THIRTY METERS FROM MACHINEGUN BUNKERS (FRIENDLY). WILL FWD TO (OBJECTS) GLOVE 2 C.P.	S,F
142300H	J-9	142230H	AT 142210H "I" CO. POSITION BT 437076 SAW ONE UNIDENTIFIED FIGURE MOVING OUTSIDE OF POSITION. FIRED 10 RDS S.A. FIRE. SAW FIGURE BEING HIT AND GOING DOWN. EST. ONE VC WIA PROBABLY. PATROL INVEST.	S,F
142400H	J-10		JOURNAL CLOSED	S,F

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150001H	J-1		JOURNAL OPENED	S,F
151300H	J-2	151207H	AT 150850H "L" CO. BT 510019 HAD ONE MARINE (PFC) RETURNING FROM CHOW THAT TRIPPED A FRIENDLY M-26 GRENADE BOOBY TRAP. MAN WAS NOT FROM THE UNIT THAT PLANTED THE TRAP. HE REC'D SHRAPNAL WOUNDS IN LEFT HAND, JAW, EYE, SCALP, ARM AND BOTH LEGS. EMERG MED-EVAC WAS COMP 151000H.	S,F
152000H	J-3	151950H	AT 151700H "M" CO. BT 140300. ADDITIONAL INFO. MAIN TRAIL THAT VC TOOK TO COME UP TO "M" CO. POSITION WAS FOUND AT BT 4293 0609. THE TRAIL GOES DOWN A VALLEY THEN BENDS SOUTH. FND COMM WIRE, MANY FOOT-PRINTS & PLACES WHERE VC HAD SAT OR LAIN DOWN. FND LEAVES IN WHICH WERE WRAPPED RICE & FISH. FND CHICOM CONTAINER & EIGHT VINE ROPES COILED BESIDE THE TRAIL. ALSO FND M-14 IN BUSHES, AND ONE CHICOM MAG WITH 30-40 RDS. HAVE ONE 81MM MORTAR DUD.	S,F
152000H	J-4	152000H	AT 151845H "I" CO. BT 433089 SIGHTED FOUR UNIDENTIFIED MEN RUNNING FROM BUSH TO BUSH AT BT 441088. F.T. WAS THEN SENT IN PURSUIT. AT 1855 ONE HAND GRENADE WAS THROWN AT RED HILL FROM NEAR BT 442089. ONE M-79 RD WAS RET'D AND THE F.T. CONTINUED TO PURSUE. ENEMY WAS LOST IN DARKNESS ESSPITE SIX RDS 81MM ILLUM. THE GRENADE WAS PROBABLY THROWN BY ONE OF THE FOUR VC AS THEY	S,F

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152300H J-5 152250H RAN BY RPD WHILE WADING EAST. A PROBE AT THE PERIMETER. NO ASSEMBLY PLANNED. AT 152105H SAW ONE BT 441100 REC'D TWO FRAG GRENADES FROM NORTHWEST. ONE LANDED INSIDE THE PERIMETER, ONE OTHER GRENADE WAS TWENTY METERS OUTSIDE PERIMETER BETWEEN POST 17 & 18. NO FIRE RET'D. INFOR WILL FOLLOW. S,F

152300H J-6 152250H AT 152105H PLAID MARGERINE BT 437098 REC'D TWO FRAG GRENADES AND TWENTY RDS S.A. FIRE. GRENADE LANDED ABOUT TEN METERS OUTSIDE OF THE PERIMETER FROM THE NORTHWEST BETWEEN POSTS 4 & 5. NO FIRE RET'D. S,F

152300H J-7 152300H AT 152250H "HQ" CO. BT 435085 SQD AMB SAW ONE MAN WALKING INTO THEIR POSITION. HE WAS CHALLENGED, TURNED TO RUN AND USMC FIRED UPON HIM AND SAW HIM FALL. AMB SEARCHED AREA AND LOCATED ONE PLASTIC BAG CONTAINING FOUR RDS S.A. AMMO AND FND ALSO WERE DRAG MARKS. DARKNESS FORCED AMB TO STOP SEARCH AND REMAIN IN POSITION. SEARCH WILL CONTINUE AT 0630. ONE WIA PROB. (ENEMY). S,F

152330H J-8 152330H AT 152255H "HQ" CO. BT 435083 REC'D ONE RD S.A. FIRE IN DEFENSIVE PERIMETER. RET'D ONE FRAGMENTATION GRENADE. WILL SEARCH AREA AT 0630. S,F

152400 J-9 JOURNAL CLOSED S,F

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160001H J-1 162400H JOURNAL OPENED S,F  
 160600H J-2 160100H AT 160015H PLAID MARGARIN REC'D TWENTY RDS AND TWO FRAG GRENADES FROM NORTHWEST NEAR POST # 4. GRENADE LANDED OUT- PERIMETER. BELIEVED TO HAVE COME FROM HUT APPROX 100 METERS FROM POST. RET'D 80 RDS S.A. FIRE TOWARDS SUSPECTED AREA. S,F

160600H J-3 160110H AT 160100H "I" CO. BT 433089 REPORTED THAT AN EST. FORCE OF 15 VC PROB RED HILL WITH 50-80 RDS AUTO WPNS FIRE & TWELVE GRENADES. RET'D 100 RDS S.A. FIRE, TWO 3.5 RKTS, AND FOUR M-79 RDS. AT 0030 TWO LONG BLASTS ON BUGAL AND ATTACK CEASED. TEN MIN LATER TWO MORE GRENADES REC'D. ALL ACTIVITY CEASED. NO USMC CASUALTIES. ENEMY TWO KIA PROB. S,F

160700H J-4 160215H AT 160100H "I" CO. BT 436091 AND PROWL BT 443098 REC'D APPROX 200 RDS S.A. FIRE & APPROX 300 RDS S.A. FIRE. "I" CO. FIRED 17 RDS 81 HE IN THEIR SUPPORT. ATTACK CEASED AT 0130. WILL SEARCH AREA AT DAYLIGHT FOR POSS. VC CAS. NO FRIENDLY CAS. S,F

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162400H J-5 162105H AT 161845H "M" CO. BT 425061 REC'D ONE RD SNIPER FIRE IN THE DIRECTION, AT A RANGE THEN SAW THREE IN AREA. BT 425061. STRED ARTY & ILLUM, ALL BT 425061 WAS 105MM. AREA WILL BE SEARCHED AT 0700. S,F  
162400H J-6 JOURNAL CLOSED S,F

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170001H J-1 JOURNAL OPENED S,F  
171900H J-2 171805H AT 171415H "M" CO. S&D REPORTED BT 435058 SEEING TWO MEN WITH WPNS AT BT 424048. ALSO FND CAVE OPENINGS AND NEW TRAILS NEARBY. REQUESTED AIR STRIKE WHICH WAS REC'D AT 171500H. TARGET WAS MARKED WITH 81MM MORTAR W.P. EXCELLENT COVERAGE WITH 250lbs BOMB AND ROCKETS FROM FOUR AIRCRAFT. PTL SENT INTO AREA AT 1615H. TWO VC KIA PROB. PTL. NOW SWEEPING AREA - RESULTS TO FOLLOW. S,F  
172000H J-3 171915H FOLLOW UP ON SPOT REPORT 171415H. CHECKED AREA AND LOCATED ONE VC OUTPOST WITH TRAILS AROUND IT. ALSO ONE BOMB CRATOR. PTL LIMITED TO 20 MIN., COULDN'T OBSERVE MORE. S,F  
172000H J-4 171900H AT 171850H "I" CO. BT 433089 SAW THREE MALE SN DRESSED IN GREEN CLOTHES WITH SPNS AT BT 435093. PURS'D THEM TO HUT AT COORD. USMC SURROUNDED HUT AND VN CAME OUT WITHOUT WPNS SEARCHED HUT AND FND TWO CARBINES ONE SHOT-GUN AND THREE GRENADES. UNIDENTIFIED MALES DETAINED AS VCS. WILL FORWARD TO BN AT AM. WILL SEND AMTRACK TO PICK UP AND QUESTION TONIGHT AT SELECT C.P. S,F  
172200H J-5 172145H AT 172030H "HQ" CO. BT 435080. AMTRAC WAS RETURNING WITH THREE PRISONERS AND STOPPED AT ABOVE COORD. TO TURN PRISONERS OVER TO REGT. UPON UNLOADING PERSONNEL AND EQUIP A WEAPON WAS DROPPED. IT DISCHARGED STRIKING THE OPENED RAMP AND SPRAYED TROOPS INSIDE WITH METAL AND PAINT FRAGMENTS. TWO TWO AMTRAC MARINES FROM AMTRAC BN. AND THREE MARINES FROM "HQ" CO. WERE STRUCK. THREE ROUTINE MEDEVAC. ACCOMPANIED MEEEVAC CHOPPER FRAGED FOR THE PRISONERS. TWO WERE TREATED AS RAS AND RET'D TO DUTY. INVEST ORDERED THIS DATE WILL FOLLOW. S,F  
172400H J-6 JOURNAL CLOSED S,F

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180001H	J-1		JOURNAL OPENED	
181100H	J-2	181032H	AT 181000H "B" CO. BT 399148 HAD ONE MARINE THAT ACCIDENTLY SHOT A VIETNAMESE GIRL IN THE STOMACH WITH 45 PISTOL. INVESTIGATION BEING ORDERED BY C.O., IS ON THE WAY. EMERG MEDEVAC REQUESTED AND WAS COMPLETED AT 1022. GIRL TAKEN TO BN. MED.	S,F
181200H	J-3	181134H	AT 181040H "I" CO. BT 425055, PLT (-) SEC PTL WAS SEARCHING AREA AND LOCATED ONE (1) BOLT ACTION RIFLE OF UNKNOWN MAKE. RIFLE IN RUSTY CONDITION, WILL FORWARD TO GLOVE 2 FOR FURTHER STUDY. WILL CONTINUE PTL UNTIL TERMIN.	S,F
182000H	J-4	181930H	AT 181800H "C" CO. PLT S&D APPREH THREE VCS (MALES). APPROX AGES 27, 32, & 35. ONE HAD PICTURES OF CHI-COM & US WPNS AND US RANKS WRITTEN ON PAPER IN HIS HOUSE. ONE VCS HAD NO I.D. CAR, AND ANOTHER ONE HAD OLD CHIEU HOT PASSES IN HIS WALLET. TO BE SENT TO BN S-2 FOR INITIAL INTER & PROCESSING.	S,F
182000H	J-5	181910H	AT 181835H "M" CO. BT 443053 4th PTL WERE ENROUTE TO NIGHT POST, AND HAD ONE GRENADE THROWN AT REAR MAN FROM UNK POSITION. SER AREA W/NEG RESULTS. CONTINUED ON AND ONLY SHORT DISTANCE AND REC'D TWO MORE GREN NEG RESULTS. POSITIONS WILL NOT BE CHANGED.	S,F
182200H	J-6	182200H	AT 182125H "HQ" CO. BUNKER #4 BT 434081 REC'D ONE GRENADE. NO CAS. ILLUMINATED AREA NEG.	S,F
182300H	J-7	182250H	AT 182250H "I" CO. BT 441072. AT 2100 MOVEMENT OF CANS ON WIRE AT END OF ONTOS RIDGE WAS HEARD. ALSO HEARD, WAS PHONY DOG HOWLS. MOVEMENT CONTINUED AT 2115. 81MM H.E. & ILLUM WAS FIRED INTO AREA. POSSIBLE FIGURE SEEN NEAR WIRE AND ABOUT 20RDS S.A. FIRE DELIVERED. F.T. MOVED TO WIRE TO SER FOR BODIES. AND REC'D ONE RD S.A. BT 438073. FIRE MISSION OF 12 RDS H.E. 81MM CALLED IN. NO TRACE OF BODY ON WIRE. F.T. MOVED OUT OF "I" CO. TO CHECK RESULTS OF H.E. RDS, AND F.T. OBSERVED TWO VC RUNNING AWAY. F.T. PURSUED AND FIRED 80 RDS S.A. FIRE BUT RETURNED WITH NEG RESULTS. ONE VC WIA POSS.	S,F
182400H	J-8		JOURNAL CLOSED	S,F

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190001H	J-1	JOURNAL OPENED	S,F	
191200H	J-2	191147H	AT 190945H "I" CO. SAW THREE VC, THAT FIRED 6-10 RDS S.A. FIRE. SQD SEC PTL BT 421061 RET'D FIFTY RDS AUTO WPN FIRE AND KILLED ONE VC. SQD NOW PURSUING OTHER TWO VC, WHO FLED NORTHWEST. VC KIA DRESSED IN LIGHT GREEN SHORTS AND LONG SLEEVE SHIRTS. APPROX. AGE 20-22. VC THAT FLED WERE OF SAME APPROX. AGE AND DRESSED THE SAME BUT WEARING COOLIE HATS. ONE CARRIED A FISH NET AND THE OTHER VC CARRIED A RIFLE. SQD LOST VC IN THICK BRUSH. CAPTURED WAS THREE M-26 GRENADES (FRAG), TWO MAGAZINES FOR US CARBINE. SEVERAL DOCUMENTS TAKEN FROM BODY OF KIA.	S,F
192400H	J-3	JOURNAL CLOSED	S,F	

200001H DEC 1966 to 202400H DEC 1966

200001H	J-1	JOURNAL OPENED	S,F	
200400H	J-2	200340H	AT 200230H "C" CO. BT 403113 PTL BASE REC'D 125 RDS S.A. AND AUTO WPNS FIRE FROM DISTANCE OF ABOUR 250-350 METERS. VC APPREHEND TO BE FIRING AT PF OUTPOST AT BT 416123. PTL BASE FIRED 50 RDS S.A. AND 2 RDS M-79, CALLED ARTY ILLUM MISSION OF WHICH WAS REC'D 4 RDS. VC FIRE CEASED. WILL SER ARE AT FIRST LIGHT. PFS ALSO FIRED ILLUM & HE MISSION.	S,F
201100H	J-3	201040H	AT 200900H "M" CO. SQD SEC PTL BT 442058 FND FOURRESH PUNJI TAKES 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ' LONG AND TWO FRESHLY DUG GRAVES, NOT MORE THAN TWO DAYS OLD. PTL DESTROYED STAKES BY BREAKING & CONTINUED ON PTL ROUTE.	S,F
202000H	J-4	201955H	AT 201740H "M" CO. F.T. BT 457042 RETURNING TO HILL 76 APPREH ONE VCS AGE 28. HAS POSS SHRAPNAL WOUND IN LEFT FOOT. CORPSMAN TAKING CARE OF FOOT. WILL HOLD SUSPECT AT POSITION FOR TONIGHT, AND WILL RETURN TO 3/5 C.P. WITH SUSPECT.	S,F
202330H	J-5	202300H	AT 202230H AN TON BRIDGE SEC OBS'D ONE VCS MOVING ACROSS WIRE. WHEN CHALLENGED VCS RAN IN NORTHERN DIRECTION. FIRED TEN RDS AT VCS. RESULTS UNK, WILL SER ARE AT FIRST SIGHT.	S,F
202400H	J-6	JOURNAL CLOSED	S,F	

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210001H	J-1	JOURNAL OPENED	S,F
211100H	J-2	211015H AT 210650H "M" CO. SQD S&D BT 417036 SPOTTED THREE VCS DRESSED IN BLACK PJ'S & STRAW HATS, CARRYING WHAT APPEARED TO BE CARBINES. FIRED 8-10 RDS S.A. AT VC AT RANGE OF 250 METERS. ONE VC WIA POSS. HE STAGGERED WHEN FIRED AT. VC DIDN'T RETURN FIRE BUT RETREATED TO THE EAST. PTL PURSUED FOR 400 METERS THEN LOST THEM IN THICK BRUSH.	S,F
211600H	J-3	211552H AT 211330H "M" CO. 4th PLT. BT 450096 ND ONE BEAR TRAP IN BRUSH BY BLACKSMITH SHOP NOT SET. TOOK NAMES OF BOY & WOMAN AT SHOP. FWD TRAP TO BN. BOY'S NAME IS NI, AND GIRL'S NAME IS NHUNG.	S,F
212205H	J-5	212205 AT 211800H "B" CO. SQD SEC PTL BT 431168 APPREH ONE VCS WITH INCORRECT I.D. CARD. THE VCS WAS TAKEN TO 2nd PLT COMBAT BASE. SUSPECT WAS QUESTIONED BY PF'S & WILL BE FWD TO 1/5 S-2 IN THE MORNING.	S,F
212400H	J-5	JOURNAL CLOSED	S,F

220001H DEC 1966 to 222400DEC 1966

220001H	J-1	JOURNAL OPENED	S,F
221100H	J-2	221050H AT 220922H "M" CO. SQD SEC PTL BT 455064 FND WARNING DEVICE. MADE OF CAN AND TWO RUBBER BANDS & STICK ACROSS TRAIL. DEVICE REMOVED & WILL RETURN TO BN. S-2.	S,F
222400H	J-3	JOURNAL CLOSED	S,F

230001H DEC 1966 to 232400 DEC 1966

230001H	J-1	JOURNAL OPENED	S,F
232400H	J-2	JOURNAL CLOSED	S,F

240001H DEC 1966 to 242400H DEC 1966

240001H	J-1	JOURNAL OPENED	S,F
241200H	J-2	241145H AT 241104H "B" CO. SQD SEC BT 439160 LOCATED ONE 155MM HE RD ALONG TRAIL. WAS NOT BOOBY TRAPPED. CLEARED ALL OUR PERSONNEL OUT OF AREA AND DESTROYED IN PLACE.	S,F
242400H	J-3	241652H AT 241605H "M" CO. SQD SEC BT 444036 ND SIX AMTRACS ENROUTE TO 3/5 C.P. THAT REC'D TEN RDS FIRE FROM A RANGE OF 100M. NO CASUALTIES SUS. MOVEMENT RESUMED TO C.P.	S,F
242400H	J-4	JOURNAL CLOSED	S,F

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250001H	J-1	JOURNAL OPENED	S,F
252400H	J-2	JOURNAL CLOSED	S,F

260001H DEC 1966 to 262400 DEC 1966

260001H	J-1	JOURNAL OPENED	S,F
261200H	J-2	261141H AT 261030 "C" CO. S&D BT 351073. APPROX SIX VC OPENED FIRE FROM DIRECT FRONT. REC'D APPROX 200 RDS AUTO WPNS FIRE FROM ABOUT 150M. RET'D SIX M-79 AND NINE 60MM MORTAR AND APPROX 200 RDS S. A. FIRE. SEARCHING ARE NOW, MORE INFO WILL FOLLOW.	
261300H	J-3	261207H AT 261115H "B" CO. BT 490037. ONE MAN FROM "L" CO. WAS SEVERLY BURNED ON RIGHT ARM, WHICH WAS ALSO BROKEN BY BOUNCING BETTY FLARE. FLARE WAS ACCIDENTLY TRIPPED WHILE ATTEMPTING TO DISARM. MAN HAS BEEN TRAINED IN HANDLING FLARES AND WAS WITH HIS SQD LDR WHEN ACCIDENT OCCURED. THIS WAS AN AUTHORIZED MARKED FLARE ON WIRE AROUND CO. C.P. MARINE IS BEING MEDEVAC.	S,F
261500H	J-4	261429H AT 261210H "C" CO. S&D BT 352081, AFTER CHECKING HUT ONE SNIPER FIRED ONE RD S.A. FIRE FROM UNOBSERVED LOCATION. SEARCHED AREA AND APPREHEND TWO VCS (MALE) WITHOUT I.D. CARDS. VCS WERE UNCOOPERATIVE. ALSO LOCATED POSSIBLE VC TRAINING SIGHT, WHICH INCLUDE ROPES, TARGETS, SILHOUETTES, KNIVES ETC. (FOR OTHER ITEMS FND IN CAMP SITE REFER TO SPOT REPORT.) VC AND MATERIAL ARE BEING SENT TO 1/5. INTERROGATION OF VILLAGERS STATE THAT THREE VC LEFT AREA WITHIN THE HOUR, WITH ONE WIA. USMC HAD ONE WIA.	S,F
261500H	J-5	261429H AT 261330H "M" CO. BT 450062, SQD SEC, APPREHEND ONE VCS MALE ABOUT AGE 20-25. HE HAD NO I.D. CARD. AT 261530H VCS FND HIS I.D. CARD. PTL CON'T ON SEC MISSION, WILL FWD VCS TO 3/5 FOR INTERROGATION. ASAP. VCS RELEASED.	S,F
261600H	J-6	261551H AT 261503H "C" CO. S&D BT 352082 APPREHEND ONE VCS (FEMALE). INTERROGATOR THINKDS SHE KNOWS THE LOCATION OF A VC HOSPITAL. SHE WILL NOT DISCUSS LOC OF HOSPITAL AT THIS TIME. WILL FWD VCS TO 1/5.	S,F
262000H	J-7	261935H AT 261755H "I" CO. PTL BT 430889 FND FOUR LEAVELTS, ALL WERE DIFFERENT. A TRANSMISSION OF THE SHORTEST ONE FOLLOWS: "TO ALL OFFICERS AND MEN OF, COMMIT NO CRIME AGAINST THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE AND STRUGGLE FOR AN END TO THE L.B.J. DIRTY WAR IN S.VIETNAM.	S,F

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262000H J-8 261947H AT 261800H "L" CO. BT 391079 SAW TWO VC MOVING WEST ON TRAIL APPROX 200-300M AWAY. WHEN POINT OF SQD SAW THEM, WHICH WAS MOVING EAST, SPOTTED THEM HE TOOK COVER IMMEDIATELY AND OBSERVED VC MOVING CLOSER THEN LEAVE TRAIL INTO A STREAM BED. VC APPARENTLY DID NOT SEE POINT. VC APPEARED TO BE ESTABLISHING AN AMBUSH. POINT FIRED APPROX 30 RDS S.A. VC RET'D ONE RD SIA. AND FLED SOUTH. POINT PURSUED AND APPREH ONE VC, OTHER TWO VC ESCAPED. EQUIP WAS ALSO CAPTURED. (FOR LIST OF THESE ITEMS CHECK SPOT REPORT 261800H. S,F

262400H J-9 JOURNAL CLOSED S,F

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270001H J-1 JOURNAL OPENED S,F

270200H J-2 270145H AT 270115H "L" CO. BT 448112 AMBUSH REC'D 80-100 RDS S.A. FIRE FR OM CARBINE & M-1. NO FRIENDLY CASUALTIES. TIGER RET'D 800 RDS MG FIRE, NUMBER OF ENEMY CASUALTIES UNK. TIGER (USMC) FIRE FIVE RDS 105ILLUM. TIGER WILL CHECK IN MORNING 0630 FOR ENEMY CAS. S,F

271800H J-3 271642H AT 271515H "M" CO. BT 466066 REPORT THAT TWO VIETNAMESE TRIPPED POSSIBLE BOOBY TRAP OR MINE. UNK ORIGIN. CASUALTIES WERE 1 (FEMALE) KIA, & 1 (MALE) WIA. BOY WAS MEDEVAC TO 1st MED BN. CO. DISPATCHED F.T. WITH GYSGT TO SITE AND TO CONTROL MEDEVAC. S,F

272400H J-4 JOURNAL CLOSED S,F

280001H DEC 1966 to 282400H DEC 1966

280001H J-1 JOURNAL OPENED S,F

281930H J-2 281845H AT 281845H GLOVE (CAC) BT 465084. VILLAGERS REPORTED TO CAC OF SIGHTING 30-40 VC. SENDING TWO UNITS FROM "M" CO. TO INVESTIGATE. FOLLOW UP INFO WILL BE REPT WHEN AVAILABLE. (FOLLOW UP 281845H) SECOND SQD SEARCHED REPORTED AREA AND FND SEVERAL HOUSES AND ONLY TWO ELDERLY PEOPLE. SEVERAL HOUSES HAD BEDS BEDDING FOR 10-20 PEOPLE, HOWEVER NO OTHER PEOPLE. CAC WILL CONDUCT SEARCH OF AREA TOMORROW. SQD'S FROM "M" CO. RET'D S,F

282300H J-3 282300H AT 282124H "B" CO. COMBAT BASE BT 436161 MEDEVAC HELO REC'D A BURST OF FIRE FROM VIC OF BT 431151. MEDEVAC HAD BEEN REQUESTED TO EXTRACT PF WHO HAD GONE INTO A COMMA. NO FIRE WAS RET'D. ESTIMATED SNIPER FIRE SIX RDS S.A. MEDEVAC WAS COMPLETED. ACTIVITY DIRECTED TO DEPART EARLIER THAN SCHEDULED AND PROCEED TO THE AREA FROM WHICH SNIPER FIRE ORIGINATED. FOLLOW UP WILL BE SUB. S,F

282300H J-4 282040H

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282330H	J-5	282330H	RECORDED IN JOURNAL BT 436161, RPT NEG. PTL HEARD "D" CO. AT OR SIGHT- INGS.	S,F
282400	J-6	282310H	AT 282310H "D" CO. BT 397118 PTL HEARD MOVEMENT TO THEIR LEFT REAR, REQUESTED ILLUM TWO RDS FIRED FROM BAT. NEG RESULTS. PTL CONTIN. S,F	
282400H	J-7		JOURNAL CLOSED	S,F

290001H DEC 1966 to 292400H DEC 1966

290001H	J-1		JOURNAL OPENED	S,F
290200H	J-2	290125H	AT 290015H "B" CO. BT 449119 RPT'D FIVE MEN AND ONE WOMAN FND IN HUT LOOKING SUS. WERE APPREH ON ADVICE OF INTERP. VILLAGE CHIEF ALSO CONSIDERED THEM SUS. WILL FWD TO COTTAGE POSITION FOR INTERROGATION & FURTHER DIS- POSITION. (FOLLOW UP CAME IN AT 291520H. ALL VCS WERE RELEASED EXCEPT FOR TWO OF THEM.)	
291520H	S,F	290840H	AT 290840H "A" CO. BT 374056 S&D RECON OP CO. OBS EIGHT VC WITH RIFLES, PACKS, MOVING IN A NORTHERNLY DIRECTION. REQ'D ARTY MISSII WHICH FIRED 32 RDS HE. GOOD COVERAGE OF TARGET. AREA WILL NOT BE CHECKED DUE TO DIS- TANCE, AND LOCATION OUTSIDE OF OPNL AREA.	S,F
292400H	J-4		JOURNAL CLOSED	S,F

300001H DEC 1966 to 302400H DEC 1966

300001H	J-1		JOURNAL OPENED	S,F
302400H	J-2		JOURNAL CLOSED	S,F

310001H DEC 1966 to 312400H DEC 1966

310001H	J-1		JOURNAL OPENED	S,F
310300H	J-2	310210H	AT 310130H "I" CO. BT 434080 CITED FIVE VC MOVING ACROSS RICE PADDY. USMC FIRED FIFTEEN RDS M-79 AND THIRTY RDS S.A. FIRE. F.T. IS NOW CHECKING AREA OF ACTIVITY, WILL REPORT IF ANY POSITIVE RESULTS ARE FND. TWO ENEMY KIA POSS, NEG RESULTS.	
312400H	J-4		JOURNAL CLOSED	S,F