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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 February to 28 February 1970

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

1st Battalion, 5th Marines (-) (Rein)	Lt. Col. J. K. GRIFFIS JR. 1-14 February 1970 Lt. Col. C. F. SAVAGE JR. 15-28 February 1970
H&S Company	Capt. L. C. BROADHILL 1-28 February 1970
Company A	1st Lt. J. A. HETLIG 1-28 February 1970
Company B	1st Lt. B. J. CAPP JR. 1-28 February 1970
Company C	1st Lt. R. K. CRAWFORD 1-28 February 1970
Company D	1st Lt. J. D. LENDIN 1-14 February 1970 1st Lt. C. W. BATES JR. 15-28 February 1970

2. LOCATIONS

1. During the month of February, 1st Battalion, 5th Marines operated extensively throughout the Arizona Territory. The entire Battalion operated as a mobile combat unit from three major geographic locations.

a. Football Island CM(891519), in the Northeastern Arizona, is a well known enemy sanctuary. Football Island offers an excellent staging area and food gathering source for the enemy, because of the heavy vegetation, and rich soil, and numerous well concealed bunkers. Alpha company operated continually in the Football Island area to destroy food sources deny the enemy use of the island's valuable resources, and to interdict lines of communication to the Phu Nans.

b. The Razor back CM(826528) located in the Northwestern Arizona, and its hills and lowlands offer numerous excellent hiding places which the enemy can utilize almost at will without observation from the IOD.

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Unit to the west one or two companies were kept to block the passage of enemy troops from the western mountainous regions into the central and eastern Arizona and to deprive the enemy the capability to infiltrate the area.

c. The Hot Dog CM(828487), in the Central Arizona, is an elongated piece of high ground which borders the Northern edge of thickly vegetated terrain lying between the Ong Thu Slopes and the An Hoa Combat Base. The dense undergrowth in the area offers the enemy a nearly unobservable avenue of approach to An Hoa Combat Base and innumerable mortar sites. The Battalion felt it vital to the security of An Hoa Combat Base to maintain one or two companies in this area to completely deny its use by the enemy

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer

Maj. D. C. TOWNSEND

1-28 February 1970

S-1 Officer

2nd Lt. R. R. EPPS

1-7 February 1970

2nd Lt. R. B. TEDRICK II

8-28 February 1970

S-2 Officer

2nd Lt. M. K. O'SULLIVAN

1-28 February 1970

S-3 Officer

Maj. L. A. BICKLEY

1-28 February 1970

S-3A Officer

1st Lt. W. HANLEY

1-14 February 1970

1st Lt. J. D. LENIHAN

15-28 February 1970

S-3B Officer

1st Lt. R. G. STUMP

1-28 February 1970

S-5 Officer

None

Communications officer

Capt. L. C. BROADWELL

1-28 February 1970

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Medical Officer

Lt. A. J. ALEXANDER JR. (USN)
1-28 February 1970

Medical Officer

Lt. S. M. RICHARDSON III (USN)
1-28 February 1970

Supply Officer

1st Lt. T. E. ROBINSON
1-28 February 1970

Motor Transport Officer

2nd Lt. J. A. MUEHLEISEN
1-28 February 1970

Assistant Adj./Legal Officer

2nd Lt. D. E. CRUISHANK
1-28 February 1970

Chaplin

Lt. Condr. E. L. HUGHES (USN)
1-28 February 1970

Air Liaison Officer

1st Lt. R. F. CURD III
1-28 February 1970

Air Liaison Officer

1st Lt. J. V. DUNLAP
1-18 February 1970
1st Lt. C. L. WRIGHT
19-28 February 1970

Artillery Liaison Office

1st Lt. D. H. WYATT
1-28 February 1970
1st Lt. R. E. ROGERS
19-28 February 19704. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>
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NARRATIVE SUMMARY

The month of February saw many changes for 1st Battalion, 5th Marines. Initially conducting company size operations in the familiar area of the Arizona and moving units continually to preclude the mounting of any TET offensive against the An Hoa Combat Base. The Battalion also had a change of commanding officers. Lt. Col. Griffis was replaced by Lt. Col. Savage as Battalion Commanding Officer. In addition operations were conducted in cooperation and coordination with two battalions of the 51st ARVN. The Battalion had daily contacts with small enemy units and numerous exchanges of small arms. Booby traps were encountered at an extremely high rate.

On the morning of the first day, Bravo Company while on patrol in the Northern Arizona, made contact with about a squad of NVA who had worked their way between Bravo's and Delta's patrols. In the ensuing conflict Bravo sustained one KIA from enemy small arms. While a reinforced patrol was called from the Battalion CP, Bravo set up a blocking position while a Delta Company platoon swept through the area with negative results. Later in the morning Alpha made contact with a small VC patrol.

While Bravo Company was busy blowing dud artillery rounds found on their patrol route, the NVA were occupied with firing rockets at An Hoa, shortly before 1500 from the mountains west of the Arizona. Although 1/5 had a unit near the area they were unable to mount a reaction force in because of restrictions placed on the area due to an impending Arc Light.

On the second day, Charlie Company moved down to the An Bang west of the Hot Dog and reported that the area appeared to be extensively used for resupply units which were reported to be in the nearby mountains. That night their suspicions were confirmed as NVA elements walked into two platoon size ambushes. The consequences paid by the NVA for taking night time patrols cost them eight of their comrades as confirmed kills, the loss of one 61mm mortar tube, three AK-47 rifles and other assorted ordnance and documents. This contact along with 3rd Platoon Bravo Company's VC KIA and one AK-47 for the day, and an operation with CIT which resulted in one AK-47 modified, started the statistics moving in the right direction for the Battalion.

The following day opened with 1st Platoon Charlie Company finding the fruits of the previous day's work. Searching the night ambush site, 2 NVA KIA's, one AK-47 and a collection of documents were found. The documents contained a list of people killed from June 1969, once more showing the VC are suffering from the Battalion's presence. During the afternoon Marines found various booby traps, consisting of devices ranging from M26's to artillery rounds.

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The 4th day of February proved to be routine for everyone but the enemy. 2nd Platoon Alpha Company while sitting in an OP observed 1 male and 1 female VC. After the couple refused to halt, they were shot attempting to flee. 2nd Platoon Delta Company had a patrol trip a 105mm round resulting in three Marines wounded. In the afternoon 3rd Platoon Bravo Company chalked up 5 confirmed NVA kills. The enemy decided they could move in the daylight with total disregard for the presence of Marine units.

February 5th was a day of diversified activities and preparation for the TET cease fire. In the morning 3rd Platoon Alpha Company found a cache of mortar ammunition. Shortly after, Charlie Company reported seeing secondary explosions from an Arc Light drop to the west. During early afternoon, a spot report was received that a CH-46 had been shot down south of the Hot Dog. A squad was heli-lifted to the site within 5 minutes. The remainder of the platoon arrived by Huskies in 20 minutes. The downed helicopter was secured and a recovery team prepared it for extraction. Later in the afternoon graves were discovered containing three freshly buried NVA. At 1800 all offensive contact by Marine units was halted for a 24 hour TET truce. Daylight dimmed with an uneasy atmosphere in the Battalion in a totally defensive posture.

Guarded actions and tense precautions marked February 6. The TET truce as always was a time of no relaxation. A daytime patrol received about 10 rounds of small arms fire. After returning fire and searching the area VC gear was found but no bodies. The patrol continued searching the area and found 1000 lbs. of rice, clothing, documents, medical supplies and a few AK-47 rounds. At 1300 the TET truce ended and artillery H&I fires resumed throughout the Battalion AO, and Alpha, Bravo, Charlie and Delta Companies actively engaged in night time patrols.

On the 7th, while conducting an A-6 Beacon drop, secondary explosions were detected in the vicinity of a reported Headquarters site of the 90th NVA Regiment. Shortly afterwards 3rd Platoon Charlie Company detected 10 VC/NVA. Firing small arms and calling in a fire mission, the squad swept the area finding 3 NVA KIA's, one AK-47, packs, helmets and rice. During the rest of the day Charlie Company patrols chalked up 2 more kills by calling in Cobra gunships on a fleeing enemy unit.

The 8th of February started off as a seemingly routine day in the Arizona. At 0830 a female Chieu Hoi'd to Alpha Company. The woman turned out to be a former nurse from the C-124 Battalion of the 1st Viet Cong Regiment. She disclosed the Battalion was about 200 strong with 100 AK-47's and 21 SKS's. The hospital she worked in was supposedly on the Laotian and Vietnam border.

Returning to the CP on the morning of February 9th, 1st Platoon Alpha Company observed 2 VC fleeing from a tree line with packs. The Marines let loose with a hail of small arms fire producing one confirmed kill carrying a pack. Three graves were found containing three males with mortal mortar wounds. At 1300 Charlie Company on a daytime patrol

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found a rocket launching site and a 250 lb. bomb. The bomb was blown in place and the patrol continued.

With little enemy activity on the previous day, February 11 was a bit more active as 3rd Platoon Bravo Company spotted 5 VC fleeing and gave chase apprehending one 24 year old VC school teacher. At the same time Delta Company captured one male VC.

During the afternoon a CIT team found various pieces of gear consisting of 1 AK-47, 200 small arms rounds, and documents relating to the ownership of property. 1st Platoon Bravo Company uncovered a cache containing tripflares, RPG launchers, 2 AK-47's, 1 AK-50, 1000 rounds of small arms ammunition and 1 box of polaroid film. On the Southeast bank of the Song Thu Bon, Charlie Company killed 4 VC/NVA trying to cross the river. Bravo Company recovered 400 lbs. of rice and 50 lbs. of tea. Continuing to sweep the area one male VC was apprehended and returned to the CP for interrogation. That evening Bravo Company was hit with 2 Chi-Con grenades.

Friday the 13th turned out to be an unlucky day for Charlie. 3 male VC/NVA were killed, 3 female civil defendants were taken to An Hoa and several camouflaged boats were sunk along the river.

The morning of February 14th a female detainee brought back to Bravo Company position, tried to blow up a claymore mine. The woman was sent to IIT in An Hoa. Alpha Company while operating as a blocking force shot and killed 3 NVA. A young Marine from Delta Company stepped on a 155mm round booby trap which resulted in his death. Directly to the southeast two more Marines were wounded by another VC booby trap.

Walking next to a tree line, Bravo Company had a Marine detonate a booby trap resulting in four USMC medevacs. CIT, working with Alpha Company searched an area of a reported activity finding four NVA shaped charges, 1 BAR and 1 AK-50. One of Bravo Company's day activities was checking out a tree line when they spotted 2 men apparently setting a booby trap. The Marines opened up with small arms and killed one of the VC. Searching the dead VC they found 1 ChiCon, 5 feet of tripwire, and 1 NVA blasting cap.

Alpha Company killed one VC near Phu Thong on the morning of February 16. The rest of the day found Charlie Company killing two more enemy, and finding three B-40 rockets and a package of documents containing names of VC in the area.

During an observance class given on February 17th, the 81mm Platoon Commander noticed two secondary explosions in the vicinity of a bunker. An eight man patrol was sent to the area, and uncovered three B-40 rockets hidden in heavy brush. Actions the rest of the day totaled 2 VC suspect detainees.

Bravo Company picked up a 67 year old male detainee on the 18th. Taking the detainee with them, the man purposely tripped a booby trap and ran off. The booby trap was a dud and the patrol apprehended the VC

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suspect again.

February 19th opened with plans for a combined operations with 2 Battalions of the 51st ARVN. Alpha Company 1/5 moved to the north part of the Arizona just below the Razor Back. Enroute, 3 VC were killed attempting to flee the area. The rest of the Battalion set up blocking positions from the southwestern Hot Dog to Football Island. The 2 ARVN Battalions proceeded to conduct a sweep trying to push VC/NVA into the waiting Marines. The operation was to have the ARVNs pushing south clearing all suspected VC/NVA strong holds. By the end of day the Battalion had killed 6 VC/NVA. The 51st ARVNs sustained 3 KIA's and 3 WIA's with no enemy contact made.

The next day operations continued with the 51st ARVN sustaining 4 more KIA's and the Marines killing 8 more VC/NVA which the ARVN sweep had flushed out. The VC/NVA made the mistake of trying to move through and around the Battalion's blocking positions.

The morning of February 21st started off with the ARVNs deciding to move directly to positions on the Song Thu Bon, for all purposes halting the operation. One Battalion took up its position north of Football Island on the river. The other Battalion of the 51st took up a position south of Football Island.

Washington's birthday falling on February 22 was a day of limited activity. Bravo Company running its normal daytime patrols found one dead VC/NVA floating down the Song Thu Bon. The only other activity the Battalion encountered for the day was a hang fire in Alpha Company's mortar section. The 51st ARVN held the positions north and south of Football Island.

A Bravo Company patrol killed one VC/NVA, and took his weapon on February 23. A patrol of 1st Platoon Charlie Company spotted 10 enemy. The platoon exchanged small arms fire with the enemy and called in arty and 81mm mortars. After the fire mission the platoon searched the area and found two dead.

On February 24th a patrol from Alpha Company linked up with six ARVNs and killed 1 VC/NVA in a grass hootch. A Charlie Company patrol spotted two enemy and took them under fire resulting in one dead. At 1330 one squad from 3rd Platoon Bravo Company on a day activity spotted seven enemy. Small arms fire was exchanged and six of the enemy were killed and one captured. Mail, documents, medical supplies and food were found on the bodies.

2nd Platoon Bravo Company was taking small arms fire and was pinned down while on patrol. 1st Platoon Bravo Company was diverted from a nearby patrol to assist. Moving through a rice paddy one Marine tripped a 60mm booby trap, and while the patrol was receiving sniper fire, an AK-47 round hit another Marine in the hand. 2nd Platoon Bravo Company pursued the enemy during the movevac. After completion of the

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medevac 1st Platoon followed in trace. While sweeping a treeline they detonated a 105mm booby trap. The explosion killed 2 Marines and wounded 2 others. 2nd Platoon continued the sweep in search of the enemy and tripped another M26 booby trap wounding two Marines.

While on patrol checking out a possible CP site for Delta Company, the point man of the patrol tripped an M26 booby trap. Thinking and acting at the same time, the second Marine lunged forward throwing the grenade that rolled into the path. The grenade detonated in the air amongst the nearby brush.

A night time patrol lead by the Charlie Company Commander in search of Hill number one-hundred encountered a group of enemy in their path. Five (5) NVA were killed and three (3) AK-47 rifles were captured in the ensuing engagement after the fleeing enemy. The Company Commander personally killed four (4) with small arms fire and frag grenades.

During the 28th day, Bravo Company killed three VC/NVA and Alpha Company captured 1 M1 Carbine and ammunition. The month closed with 140 confirmed kills for the year.

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PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

A. TOPICS

Personnel and Administration

a. Strength. The Battalion strength at the beginning of the month was 36 officers and 1015 enlisted. On the 15th the strength had changed to 38 officers and 1043 enlisted and by the end of the month the strength was 38 officers and 1089 enlisted. At this time there are 1 officer and 30 enlisted hospitalized.

b. Discipline, Law and Legal. Two Summary Courts-Martial, three Special Courts-Martial, and no General Court-Martial convened during the same period, seven Company and six Battalion Office Hours (NJP) were held. There were four completed investigations with five still pending for the month.

c. POW/Detainees. There were 70 detainees processed during this month. They were classified as follows:

NVA POW's	2
Civil Defendants	8
NVA Returnee	1
Innocent Civilians	58
VC Returnee	1
	<u>70</u>

d. Morale. Morale and fighting spirit continued to be excellent

e. Postal. Postal service continued at the same degree of excellence.

f. Awards. During the month of February, there were 21 Navy Achievement medals, 8 Navy Commendation medals, and 3 Bronze Star medals submitted for heroism and meritorious service.

g. Interior Management. Administrative procedures and proficiency continued to be excellent.

2. Enemy, Weather, and Terrain

a. Enemy. During the month of February the enemy continued to

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avoid contact whenever possible in spite of his threatened "TET" offensive. Initially the Battalion had moderate contact in the Northeastern sector of the Arizona Territory, but as activity decreased, there was an increased concentration of booby traps. The booby traps were often made from dud artillery shells causing an increase in the number of casualties per incident.

In the Football Island area enemy contact was very light. In the surrounding areas to the North, the 51st ARVN conducted extended search and occupy operations that forced many local VC from their hidden bunkers in search of food and water resulting in numerous confirmed or captured enemy. There was also a noted increase in boat traffic along the Song Thu Bon. On one ambush Company B killed five VC, captured ordnance, medical supplies, and documents and in another Company C killed four VC attempting to cross the river further to the west.

Along the Song Vu Gia Delta Company, found several small boats hidden in the foliage that contained enemy equipment and ordnance. South of the Razorback there were indications of heavy enemy activity in the Nam An, Phu Loi, and Dai Khong areas. Much of this activity was concentrated along the streams where the enemy spent the night or stopped to fish and eat. One Chieu Hoi even reported having used two of his frags to gather fish. A staging area of up to company size was uncovered in the northwestern extremity of the Arizona. Several underground bunkers and grass huts were destroyed. Of the many trails that traverse the Ong Thu Slope and into the Arizona, the trail west of the Finger Lake was the most traveled. PW reports also indicate that there are many enemy base camps and mobile hospital units farther west hidden in the mountains. When FVMAF units operate in the Central Arizona many of the local VC hide in the foothills during the day and return to the lowland at night.

In the southern sector along the "Hot Dog" there was very little contact. South of the "Hot Dog" in the An Bangs and on the speed trails along the Song Thu Bon, The Battalion conducted several successful ambushes. The enemy continued to use these routes for their resupply in the foothills. Initially they traveled in small groups but later moved in larger units and were heavily armed. They were repeatedly ambushed during the early evenings hours. In one of these incidents, Charlie Company captured one North Vietnamese POW that gave information indicating the location of a base camp in the foothills. Upon conducting a company size operation several well constructed bunkers, enemy ordnance, and a large cache of rice were found. There were also pens for livestock and the entire area appeared to have been well used. Judging from the locations of the fighting positions and observation posts, the unit had used excellent security precautions.

Throughout the Arizona Territory the Battalion found or detonated numerous booby traps. Several of these used cotton fish line as a trip wire. The majority were made from M26 frags and 60mm HE rounds. Some

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of these booby traps were marked by either two sticks laid across a path or a stick pointing toward the booby trap. Others were marked by vines tied together, piled rocks and Chicou Hoi pamphlets. Written warning signs and evidence of previous booby trap incidents such as torn flak jackets and utilities were other indications of booby trapped areas.

Contrary to the current intelligence reports the enemy was more than adequately supplied. Most of the dead or captured VC appeared to be well fed, strong, and healthy. They were also well supplied with rice, tea, candy and miscellaneous clothing and equipment.

Some miscellaneous lessons learned during this reporting period were as follows:

1. It was noted that along the Song Thu Bon there were many long poles extending from the river banks on the Arizona side. Attached to these poles were fish traps that were in the river. With the constant traffic on the river it would be easy to place supplies inside these traps to be retrieved quickly at night.

2. According to KCS information, the Viet Cong are using the different heights of the various corn fields as guide lines to navigate at night. There are also many small trails within these fields that lead to spider holes and bunkers. The spider holes are usually found under old stalks of dead corn piles on the side of the field.

3. Many VC appeared to have used the streams for fishing, and rest along side of at night.

b. Weather. During the month of February the weather was characterized by very hot, humid days, cool nights and early morning fog which restricted air support to late morning or afternoon.

c. Terrain. Unchanged

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS

a. Organization. The organization of the Battalion remained the same throughout the month with H&S Company and all four infantry Companies in the field.

b. Operations. 1st Battalion, 5th Marines from 1-28 February conducted a category II operations throughout the Arizona Territory. From 16 February to 28 February 1970, the Battalion conducted a joint operation in cooperation and coordination with 1st and 3rd Battalions, 51st ARVN in the Arizona.

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Supporting Arms

(1) Air. The Battalion was supported by the 7th Air Force and the 1st MAW. This support consisted of one Basketball Flight, one Shadow Flight, 16 Close Air Support Missions, and 26 Beacon Controlled Air Strikes. 1st Battalion, 5th Marines also received outstanding helo-support from MAC 16 consisting of daily resupply and visual reconnaissance. It should be noted that the Battalion had 51 AO Flights during February.

(a) Fixed Wing. The BDA from the Fixed wing flights is tabulated as follows:

Killed by air	19
Structures destroyed	4
Bunkers destroyed	8
Bunkers damaged	6
Troeline Cleared	2725 meters
Trench line Destroyed	100 meters

(b) Rotary Wing. Helicopter missions consisted of daily resupply, visual reconnaissance, and medevacs, which are listed below:

TYPE	EMER	PRIORITY	ROUTINE	KIA-ROUTINE
USMC	22	16	16	5
Civilians	0	3	1	0
Detainees	0	0	0	0

(c) Significant Developments. With the arrival of a new forward air controller who is also a helicopter pilot, the Battalion was fortunate enough to have representation from both types of aircraft support. The two liaison officers thus enlighten each other and more readily advise the Battalion about all phases of airsupport.

(2) Artillery. 1st Battalion, 5th Marines was supported by the 2nd Battalion, 11th Marines while operating in the Arizona in the month of February. Most missions were fired by Foxtrot Btry although support was also rendered by Delta, Whiskey, and Mike Batrys. The artillery team attached to the Battalion consisted of four P. O. teams operating on the company levels and an P.S.C.C. which coordinated the supporting arms for the Battalion. An extensive H&I program was initiated to curb enemy movement without rendering the infantry operations ineffective. Few "contact" fire missions were fired as contact with the enemy was light and often short in duration. 81mm mortars once again proved their effectiveness in reacting quickly when called upon to support the Battalion. The following breakdown of missions and rounds fired was copied from the F.S.C.C.

log books:

Total MIs	225
Contact MIs	9
Total H. F. MIs.	2073
Total Illum. Rds.	146
Total W.P. Rds.	211
M&I Targets	910
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(4) Shore Party (EST). HST's were provided by Company B, 1st Shore Party Battalion; they were primarily employed in coordinating and effecting Helicopter Medevacs, visual reconnaissance, and Mission 14" resupply, on the various static positions and field operations of this Battalion

(5) Scout Snipers. Detachment Scout Sniper Platoon, Headquarters Company, 5th Marines continued to provide support to the Battalion. The Scout Snipers recorded one kill for the month. They were also utilized on OP's and on patrols.

(6) Motor Transportation. (See Paragraph #5 Logistics)

(7) Tanks. None Attached

4. TRAINING

a. The following training was conducted during the month

- (1) Weapons safety
- (2) Weapons Inspection, Care and Cleaning
- (3) Mapping Compass
- (4) Leadership
- (5) Viet Cong Mines and Booby Traps
- (6) Drug Abuse
- (7) Familiarization firing of the M16, M60
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- (11) 60mm Mortar M79 (Live Firing)
- (12) Uniform Appearance
- (13) Military Customs and Courtesy
- (14) Individual and Group Hygiene in the Field
- (15) Handling of POW's
- (16) Troop Leading Steps
- (17) Conduct of a Marine in and out of the Field
- (18) Anti-Personnel Mine M18a1
- (19) An/PRO 25 Radio
- (20) M-26 Hand Grenade
- (21) Crew training of the 81mm Mortar Teams
- (22) 81mm Mortar (Live Firing)
- (23) Physical Training
- (24) Care and Cleaning of the 106mm recoilless Rifle
- (25) Crew Training of the 106mm recoilless Rifle Teams
- (26) Communications Security
- (27) Preventive Maintenance PRO/25 Radio
- (28) Electrical Safety
- (29) Preventive First Aid
- (30) Combat Intelligence
- (31) Ky-38
- (32) Driver Training for Testing and Licensing U. D.
- (33) Weekly Preventive Maintenance
- (34) Procedures for Completing NAVMC 106275D
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- (36) Shop Safety
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- (39) Technique of Fire
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- (47) XM-191 Multishot Flame Thrower

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b. Replacement personnel received four (4) days training at 5th Marines Headquarters prior to being committed to the field

c. The Battalion continued to utilize schools provided by higher headquarters in the DaNang area and Okinawa. The value of the schools is recognized, however this had an adverse effect on the rifle companies in-the-field strength.

5. LOGISTICS. During the period of 1-28 February 1970, the Battalion continued operations in the Arizona Territory northwest of in Hoa Combat Base. The Battalion was re-supplied by helicopter daily. The Battalion received frozen steaks, containers of milk, bread and all the onions, catsup, salt etc., needed for a company size cookout every Sunday.

Four M16 "Huskies" are employed in the Arizona Territory in support of Battalion operations. When the Battalion moves its CP group the "Huskies" are used to transport 81mm mortars, 106's equipment, ammunition, communication equipment and any other heavy gear proven to be a valuable logistical asset.

The Battalion's ammunition bunker located in Alpha Sector, in Hoa Combat Base, was completed during the month of February. The bunker was compartmentized and all compartments were labeled with easy to read signs. A grade three ammo bunker was built 25 meters away from the main munitions bunker, enabling the Battalion to keep a 12 day supply of ammunition on hand at all times

6. CIVIC ACTION. General: None

Medical assistance. Five Med-Caps were held during the month in the Southern Sector of the Arizona Territory on the "Hot Log" and approximately 35 Vietnamese were treated.

The Battalion Aid station gave treatment to an average of 60 patients per week.

7. PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS: None

B. COMMUNICATIONS. The Communications platoon maintained a high percentage of its personnel strength in the Arizona Territory throughout the month. In addition to the normal field requirements in radio and wire sections, the technical shop supplied three representatives in the field to keep equipment in a good state of repair and to hold class on ground radar operation, operator maintenance, and related subjects. A message center man joined with the Battalion CP to serve as a courier for the frequent runs between rear and forward with crypto material and cipher gear.

Heavy turnover in the radio section brought four men through the bill-of forward comm chief. At the end of the month, a senior Lance Corporal was holding down the post. Other sections were also shorthanded.

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Planning and preparing for the shifts to Southern Sector Defense Command provided the greatest challenges during the month. In taking over the compound at Hill 34 and duty as Division reserve, the Battalion takes on one of the most complex and technically sophisticated Battalion Comm Centers in I Corps. Training personnel to handle new equipment and familiarize them with new tactical radio nets reached a peak of intensity at the end of February.

9. SIGNIFICANT CASUALTIES IMPLICATED OR SUSPECTED IN D: VC/AVL CAPTURED

a. Friendly Casualties
1st Battalion, 5th Marines

	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>
KIA	6	0
WIAE	47	1
WIANE	5	1
DOW	2	0
DOD	0	0
NBC	12	1
NBD	0	0

b. Enemy Casualties

KIA	NVA 24	VC 73	TOTAL 97
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10. SIGNIFICANT ENEMY ORDNANCE CAPTURED DURING THE MONTH

2X500 lb Bombs
1X250 lb Bomb
1X175mm Rnd
1X8inch Rnd
5X81mm Rnd
11X60mm Rnd
2X82mm Rnd
2X79 Rnd
2X40-26 Grenade
13XChi-Com Grenade
1XCS Grenade
4XShape Charges
9X lbs C-4
1325 Rnds S/A Ammo
6XTrip Flares
7X Pop Ups

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6X Electrical Fuzes
 75X Pull Friction Fuzes
 1X Box Blasting Caps
 18X M16 Mag
 9X AK Mag

11. SIGNIFICANT ENEMY EQUIPMENT CAPTURED DURING THE MONTH

1X (PRC) 88 Receiver
 1X (PRC) 88 Handset
 Assorted Clothing
 Misc Documents and Shackle codes
 Assorted Medical Supplies
 12X Packs
 7X Ponchos
 1X 35mm Canon
 3X Rain Suits
 1X Box Polaroid Film
 1X Pair Pliers
 1X Watch
 1X Bullet
 4X Rings
 3X Spools Communication wire
 Bedding
 Stove
 Candle Holders
 1 BAR
 13 AK-47
 2 AK-50
 1 45 Cal Pistol
 1 AK-44
 1 M-79 Grenade Launcher
 1 60mm Mortar Tube
 1 RPG Launcher

12. ENEMY BOOBY TRAPS/MINES FOUND AND DESTROYED DURING THE MONTH

END

2X 82mm Rnds B/T
 3X M-26 B/T
 2X M-79 B/T
 1X juice can filled w/comp B B/T
 1X NWL Pop Up w/Friction Fuze B/T
 1X 2.75 AKT B/T

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5X Bear Traps B/T
30X Metal Punji stakes

DET

5X60mm Rnds B/T
17X M-26 B/T
3X105 Rnds B/T
1X155 Rnd B/T
1X Chi Com B/T

13. ENTRIES. See Tab "1" to Enclosure (1) (Staff Journal for the period of 010001H through 282400H February 1970).

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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

✓Tab "A" Staff Journal for period of 1 February through 28 February 1970.

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TIME IN OUT	SER NO	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
			Journal Opened	
1620	1	011620H	C3 found 3 tunnels each approx. 10 feet long at 814468. Blew tunnels after searching them with cratering charges.	S.F.
1635	2	011635H	Found 1 6x8 ft. bunker at 826478 Bunker showed signs of recent habitation - hot fire, misc. cook- ing gear in area. Searched bunk- er and destroyed with C4.	S.F.
1720	3	011720H	C3 while on platoon sized patrol RIF located 500 lbs. tea, and apprehended 1 male (age 45), 1 female (age 30), and 1 female (age 45) at 811471. One female had recently been treated with mercurichrome. Searched area, blew bunker, returned Det. and tea to Bn. CP. Civilians being interrogated by IIT with ES. Tea will be forwarded to An Hoa.	S.F.
1800	4	011800H	Found two bunker complexes at 808471 made of wood and dirt, 1 6x6 ft, and 1 8x10 ft. Searched and blew in place.	S.F.
			Journal Closed	

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1000	1	021000H	While on patrol, C2B spotted 2 suspicious looking VN males. Upon advancing to check out the situation, the 2 VN males ran into a small ville. A total of 14 civilians who occupied the ville claimed to know nothing about the 2 VN males in question. C2B brought back the 14 villagers for interrogation. Searched ville and immediate area w/negative results. S.F.	
1145	2	021145H	Found 1 VC/NVA while sweeping area which was previously preped w/M79. Man was approx. 25 yrs. old, was wearing blue shorts, gray shirt, USMC cartridge belt and carrying AK-47 w/mag. of 15 rds. Man also had USMC shirt and trousers w/his name on shirt, cut down to size. AK, magazine, shirt and trousers will be brought back to base. S.F.	
1630	3	021630H	A3 while on daytime patrol was going through ville at 887531. The S-2 was questioning the people. He questioned a female approx. 29 yrs. old, she gave him a false name and had an excess of money that she could not account for. A3 brought det. back to position, will send to ITT tomorrow. S.F.	
1745	4	021745H	Charlie Company while questioning two women and 2 children, who denied knowledge of any father, had 1 male,	

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			age 35-40 yrs., walk right into the same ville where Charlie Company was. The male was coming from the mountains humping rice and bandages and was totally unaware of Charlie Company's presense. Charlie Company is holding all 5 VN as detainees will return them to NS CP tomorrow. S.F.	
1825	5	021825H	Man was searching out entrance to bunker when frag went off. Frag was apparently set up w/trip wire across entrance. Man was classified emergency and medevaced.	S.F.
2145	6	022145H	C3 while laying in night time ambush spotted 2 enemy moving into killing zone. C3 sprung ambush killing 2 NVA. Captured AK-47 and 2 ChiCom grenades, packs and equipment.	S.F.
2147	7	022147H	While laying in night time ambush C1 spotted approx. 1 squad enemy moving into killing zone. Sprung ambush on approx. 1 squad, contact continued, called shadow and basketball, will check area at first opportunity.	S.F.
			Journal Closed	

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0745	1	030745H	While making thorough search of last night's ambush site, C1 found 2 NVA KIA, 1 AK-47 and assorted documents and personal gear. Brought gear and 1 detainee back to Bn. CP for further investigation.	S.F.
1100	2	031100H	C1A spotted 1 civilian acting suspiciously along the trail leading into company's position. C1A apprehended civilian woman age 61 and 3 small children. These will be taken to Battalion for further interrogation.	S.F.
1245	3	031245H	While on patrol B3 found one 8" dud round. Was not booby trapped. Blew round in place.	S.F.
1300	4	031300H	B3 while on patrol found 3 LAAW's expended (cases not destroyed), M16 magazine, 1 60mm illum, M-60 ammo bags, 1 M79 Bee Hive round. Blew all ordnance in place.	S.F.
1935	5	031945H	ALB while moving into night time saw a male near their ambush site. ALB called for man to come to them man started to come then ran. ALB opened fire. While searching area	

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			people started to flee. ALE cap- tured 1 female detainee approx. 35 years of age, will hold deta- inee and bring to position tomorr- ow. ALE will research area on way in from ambush.	S.F.
2055	6	032055H	D2B while moving to night time position received incoming small arms, estimated 1 M16, and 1 AK-47. Also, the Delta Company perimeter received 2 M79 rounds. Contact lasted 3-4 minutes. Called 81mm and arty illumination mission w/negative results.	S.F.
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1030	1	041030H	B2 while on patrol found 1 bunker. Contents inside - 1 AK-47, magazine w/5 rds, bedding, stove, and candle holder. Checked out area and continued on patrol. AK-47 and ammo brought back.	S.F.
1515	2	041515H	D2A while on patrol hit 1-105mm booby trap, resulting in 3 USMC KIA. (1 KIA, 2 WIA). Administered first aid and called medevac.	S.F.
1525	3	041525H	While en route to night time position, B3 spotted 6 NVA between the ages of 17 and 25, moving NE. When B3 attempted to halt the males they fled. B3 opened up killing 5. The last male got away. This man had an AK-47. Called 81mm mission in area where man had fled and searched the 5 bodies. Found C4 with batteries, USMC clothing cut down to their size, approx. 25 lbs. of rice, 80 dollars NVA money. Will bring back all gear and 30 civilians who were around area at time of incident.	S.F.
1545	4	041545H	D2A while on patrol, hit one 60mm Booby trap w/tripwire. Administered	

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			first aid and called medevac.	S.F.
1930	5	041930H	<p>Al while on daytime patrol was questioning people. They questioned a female, approx. 25 yrs. of age. She admitted having worked for unit C-25 for 8 months, humping rice. Her husband is a VC guerilla. Will send to ITT for further interrogation.</p>	S.F.
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0045	1	050045H	Trip flare was tripped near "B" Company lines. Tosses two frags and blew 1 claymore. Also received 1 incoming frag. Popped illum. over area and spotted figure of male moving to the east. Fired 2 rds. of M16 at figure w/unknown results.	S.F.
1400	2	051400H	Sent out backfield to investigate 3 graves approx. 3-4 days old. First grave contained female age 25-30 yrs. old. She was shot in the left shoulder and head. Woman was wearing black PJ's and wrapped in parachute. 2nd grave contained male age 22-25 yrs. old. He was shot in chest and had 1 foot missing. Man was wearing green kakis and was wrapped in parachute. 3rd grave contained male age 35 yrs. old. He was shot in groin, stomach, and half his head was missing. Man was wearing dark green kakis and was wrapped in parachute and plastic. This grave contained 1 M26 Frag buried 1 ft. from the top surface of grave. Frag was a dud. because it did not go off when	

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			blooped at. Reburied 3 graves and came back to pause. Report- ed finding of three VC KIA.	S.F.
1430	3	051430H	D3A while on patrol spotted 5 VC moving into a tree line, wearing black PJ's and carrying packs. Fired small arms and assaulted treeline, killing 1 VC with pack an no weapon. Fleeing enemy last seen entering thick underbrush.	S.F.
1500	4	051500H	While moving to CP, A2 took small arms fire from a small treeline. A2 called in arty, 81's and Cowpoke. Cowpoke was called off station. A2 checked out area w/negative results.	S.F.
1855	5	051855H	A1G while moving into night time position was being sniped at by approximately 3 VC/NVA. A1G re- turned fire resulting in one con- firmed. Man was approximately 22 yrs. of age and was carrying pack.	S.F.
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0830	1	060830H	<p>CIA while on daytime patrol, spotted 4 VC/NVA w/weapons at 813462 and received approximately 10 rds. S/A fire. CIA returned fire w/20 rds. S/A and enemy broke contact. Search of the area revealed 1 stretcher, 1 set of raingear, and 1 set of sandals.</p>	S.F.
0840	2	060840H	<p>CIA continuing to check out area of earlier contact, came across approx. 1,000 lbs. of rice, 30 lbs. fresh vegetables, cooked rice, noodles, etc, assorted clothing, documents, large box of medical supplies and miscellaneous personal hygiene items left behind by the fleeing enemy. Also found approx. 50 AK-47 rds. Returned gear to company perimeter and will be sent to Battalion to Retro to rear.</p>	S.F.
1400	3	061400H	<p>5 VN civilians came to position for medical treatment; 2 women and 3 children. People were treated and questioned by ITT. 1 woman and 1 child remained as refugees, other 3 people returned home.</p>	S.F.

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1906	4	061906H	D2A while on patrol had one VN woman come to position; woman was unable to explain presence. D2A brought woman back to Bn. S-2 for interrogation.	S.F.
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0730	1	070730H	C3A while in their night time position (ambush) saw approximately 10 VC/NVA across the stream about 250 meters to their west moving away from their position. Fired S/A and A/W. Saw several enemy fall into elephant grass and brush. Called FM 0730, 1st rd. out 0735, end of FM 0755. C3A will check out area of contact.	S.F.
0930	2	070930H	C3A following contact of 0730 checked out area from which enemy had fled and discovered 3 enemy bodies, 1 AK-47 w/magazine, 1 M26 frag, approx. 300 lbs. rice, approx. 75 lbs. assorted clothing and mess gear and various personal items. Further search of area revealed another enemy body apparently killed by arty. Area also contained numerous blood trails and no other bodies were found. Returned gear to Company CP and awaiting pickup to Battalion by Huskies.	S.F.
1440	3	071440H	C3A spotted 3 VC w/1 weapon at 808472. Fired 60mm at VC, called arty, which was checkfired due to	

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			FW aircraft. Patrol standing by to check out area after Cobra workd out area.	S.F.
1630	4	071630H	F - 2/5 while on patrol spotted 4 VC. Upon giving them chase the VC lead them into treeline containing 5 M26 booby traps. Enemy has used this tactic before. From this incident it would be wise to be careful when chasing enemy on any similar cases.	S.F.
1745	5	071745H	C3B spotted 5-6 VC/NVA moving into area with a 813472 grid coordinate. Had a cobra gunship workout area. Following up on this C3 swept area and found 1 VC KIA in bunker and continued to search out area and found trench lines and spider holes w/ fresh tracks. No other bodies were found. 14 civilians from immediate area were brought back to company area, and questioned by S-2 personal. 6 classified as detainees, the others were refugees.	S.F.
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1155	1	081155H	C3 initially spotted two VC/NVA at 809452. After initial contact spotted additional five VC/NVA at same grid. Opened up of enemy w/SA. Called FM, 1st rd. out 1155, End of FM 1215. Difficulty was encountered on arty adjustment because of observers angle of view. Patrol will check out area for results.	S.F.
1155	2	081155H	C3 while on daytime patrol spotted 10 VC/NVA on trail. They were leading one VN male with his hands tied behind him. C3 opened up w/SA causing VC/NVA to flee. One enemy fell but was dragged off by 3 VC/NVA as they fled. Searched area thoroughly and found 3 ChiComs, approximately 100 lbs. rice, 20 AK-47 rds, various documents and clothing. Blew ChiComs in place and returned remaining items to Battalion CP.	S.F.
1720	3	081720H	Man was setting out claymore when blasting cap went off. Reason for discharge of cap is unknown. Man was classified emergency and medevac was called and completed.	S.F.
			Journal Closed	

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0815	1	090815H	While returning from night ambush sight AIG observed 2 VC fleeing to west. Opened fire w/SA killing 1 VC approx 25-30 yrs. old wearing black shorts w/green shirt and carrying a pack. Pack contained a small jar of pepper, a small bag of rice, and various personal clothes. AIG returning to Battalion CP w/ captured gear.	S.F.
1230	2	091230H	BLH spotted 1 VC wearing brown shorts and camouflage utility shirt approx. 15 yrs. old carrying basket. Hollered for person to stop; person fled. Hollered to stop and fired two rds. in the air. Person continued to flee through brush to NW. Fired small arms at VC and saw him fall. Search of area disclosed one confirmed.	S.F.
1300	3	091300H	CI while on daytime patrol found what appeared to be a rocket launching site, also approx. 4 graves dug within the past 2 weeks, and 1-250 lb. bomb, and what appeared to be an NVA staging area. Bomb was blown in place and surrounding area checked out thoroughly. Grid	

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			was submitted to arty for mission, mission was fired.	S.F.
2125	4	092125H	Intell. Report: Location of HQ 577 Arty Bn. VC ZC192430. Unit to move tonight to AT825455 to fire 122mm rockets at An Hoa. Other unit to move to AT848486 with 81mm mortar to mortar An Hoa. Q81 MF Bn. to move to AT888506 with 60mm and mortar Vuyen Phn vic. AT900480 and/or "D" sector, An Hoa separate Rept states An Hoa to receive rocket attack to- night followed by ground attack. Attacked between 092400H and 100300H. Also unit of Q83 MF location vic. AT867542, mission unknown. Evaluation F-6.	S.F.
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0930	1	100930H	ALG while on daytime patrol moved onto a piece of high ground at above grid. They questioned a female approx. 60 yrs. old. She had an excess of money - \$25, and could not explain where she got it. A male approx 35 yrs. old ran out the back of hootch in a tree line moving NW. ALG yelled for man to stop, man kept on running ALG opened fire resulting in 1 KIA. Man was wearing black shorts, white shirt. He had approx. 50 dollars in his possession.	S.F.
0940	2	100940H	GRC while on guest size daytime patrol at above grid found 1 NVA base camp/staging area. Area contained numerous bunkers, camp sites and bearing areas. Searching out area GRC found 1 bag AK-47 rounds, 5 AK magazines, numerous cooking utensils, a rice cache weighing approx. 1 ton. Also found 1 82mm mortar rd, and 4 60mm mortar rds, 3 B-40's, 6-82mm warheads. Area was searched thoroughly with no further results. Grid submitted for possible arty and air strikes. All ordnance will be blown in place.	S.F.

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2200	3	102200H	Bravo Company took S/A fire, RPG's and B-40's from all sides of the perimeter. Size of enemy unknown. Negative casualties at this time. Shadow on station was called, arty called for illum, and 60mm preped area. Will advise of progress.	S.F.
2230	4	102230H	Bravo Company took approx. 200-400 rds. AK-47, 10 RPG's from NE. Approx. size of enemy 15-20. Contact is intermittent at this time. Called in arty and shadow, will check area out at first light.	S.F.
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0915	1	110915H	B Co checked out area of last contact. Finding 1 81mm Rd. It didn't appear to be B-T Hand Neg. Findings other - wise	S. F.
1030	2	111030H	GRB spotted 5 VC flee when approaching area, 2 were wearing blue shorts and shirts. The others were wearing black pajamas. Opened up with S/A and M-79 checked out area and took 1 VC female approx 24 yrs old she was carry a pack with personal gear inside. Says she is a VC school teacher, will bring her back to B Co CP	S. F.
1100	3	111100H	D3A W/on patrol made point to point contact w/1 enemy who attempted to flee. Point man opened up S/A and wounded VC/NVA in Buttocks and chased him down and captured him. Man was dressed in green shorts and black shirt.	S. F.
1220	4	111220H	W/on patrol B 1 had male approx. 18 yrs old. Walked up to B 1 and choi-Hoi man was wearing green shirt, Blue shorts, and USMC	

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			cover. Will be brought to POS.	S. F.
1340	5	111340H	GRBI while on daylight patrol found the following items: 1AK-44 (poor cond.) 50 rds., Belt of 60 ammo, 1 tear gas ball, 20 assorted AK and M-1 and M-16 rds., 1 USMC gas mask, 1 VC belt and documents showing owner ship of property. Will bring all gear to POS. Will forward documents to An Hoa.	S. F.
1400	6	111400H	While D3A was bringing in wounded VC/NVA. Man died before D3A returned to perimeter. Will bury body.	S. F.
1430	7	111430H	GRBI spotted five VC/NVA carrying weapons moving in an easterly direction. Opened fire on enemy. enemy returned fire, searched out area with Neg. results.	S. F.
1520	8	111520H	GRB 5 to 6 VC were apperantaly digging mortar pit. Called in 60mm and 81s on grid searched out area and are bringing back 2 males in middle 30 for question- ing	S. F.

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1520	9	111520H	GRB found the following items: 1 hand set PRC 25, PRC (1) 88, receiver, 6 trip flares, 1 RPG launcher, 2AK-47S (good cond.), 1 AK-50 (fair cond.) M-16 Mag. with rds., 1 camera 35mm Broken, 7.62 matched ammo 6 belts 7.62 maching gun ammo and 600 rds., 1 tear gas ball, green pop-ups 1 red pop-up, 2lg. spools comm. wire, 1 Box of polaroid film. Will bring gear back to pos. The gear was found in bomb crater, The bomb crater was filled with water.	S. F.
2145	10	112145H	DSC while setting in night time position received incoming chl-coms 2 USMC received slight shrapnel wounds. They pulled backed to CP area to receive medical attention	S. F.
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0705	1	120705H	GRB1A Four VC/NVA crossing a river from S to N by boat were wearing black uniforms. CIA opened up w/S/A. VC/NVA attempted to return to S bank before being killed.	S. F.
0915	2	120915H	GRB2 found 400 lbs of rice, 50 lbs of tea, also 1 male w/20 dollars on him. Rice and Tea found in an ILLUM canister and parachute. Rice tea and male will be brought back to Co POS.	S. F.
1015	3	121015H	GRB found 1 large tunnel with 6x4 ft. entrance. Tunnel and 2 exits, 1 N.E. 1 S.W. both large enough for two people. Found 4 lengths detonating cord in entrance. Found fresh tracks on bottom and on wall. Found 1 VC blasting cap, 1 bottle of Halizone, and engineer tape. Also found frag salties on S.W. side of tunnel. S. W. side goes back 85 ft. then turns R. and goes 10 more ft. (freshly dug). Engineers blow w/shape charges.	S. F.

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1300	4	121300H	GRB2 found 150 lbs. of rice and documents inside illum cannister and burried in ground also 1 male 15 yrs old 1 Female age 30 female had pack straps marks the detainees 2 of them and rice and documents will be brought back to POS.	S. F.
1310	5	121310H	GRB2 spotted 5 VC/NVA carrying weapons and wearing gray and blue uniforms Pursued into tree line and B2 then received scatted small arms fire and RPG. Fired 60 and 81 missions and sweep areawith Neg results	
1500	6	121500H	GRB2 spotted 8 VC/NVA and carrying weapons. Sweep trough area and B2 continued on patrol in route to where the enemy fled.	S. F.
1600	7	121600H	A26 while on patrol at spotted a VC male fleeing across the paddies dike from anothe friendly unit. A26 point man opened fire resulting in one VC confirmed. Man was approx. 27 yrs old wearing blue utilities. There were VC fleeing in the opposite direction	

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			1 woman, 32 yrs old, 2 girls age 16 and 10, and a boy 10 A24 captured the people, And will bring them back to POS. for interrogation.	S. F.
2115	8	122115H	GRB received two incoming chi-coms from ene of these exploded in front of the lines, the second one did not explode. Fired illum from 60 mm mortars neg. results increased watch on lines to 100%	S. F.
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0830	1	130830H	GRC made contact with estimated 5 VC/NVA found 1 enemy body and 1 enemy WIA. WIA was returned to POS. and medivaced. Documents and supplies found in his possession will be sent to Bn. Chicoms were blown.	S. F.
0830	2	130830H	C-2 while returning from night time ambush spotted 5 VC/NVA and C-2 discovered the W/weapons moving to the South. C-2 opened fire w S/A and M-26 discovered 1 enemy WIA who had in his possession 2 chicoms and assorted documents. the remaining area was searched out thoroughly W/Net. results. C-2 returned to Co Perimeter W/pow and arty was called in on enemy.	
0915	3	130915H	B3 spotted 1 male approx. 25yrs. old man was carrying M-26 frag, blasting cap, and assorted gear. Mans attire was black shorts, blue and white pkn striped shirt. Man also had pack consisting of nail clippers, vicks vapor rub, razor, battle dressing, gauze soap, tobacco, plastic, parachute,	

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			wash cloth, extra pair of trousers and small amount of rice. Man fled when he saw B3J and B3J opened fire killing VC.	S. F.
1015	4	131015H	ALF while on daytime patrol, was moving through treeline at above grid, when 1 VC/NVA w/pack ran out in front of them. The man would not stop when ALF yelled so ALF opened fire resulting in 1 VC/NVA KIA man was 30 - 35 yrs old wearing green shorts w/black shirt.	S. F.
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0800	1	140800H	While getting ready to move from a night time POS. B2H spotted a male and female in a Hootch near by. As B2H approached the Hootch a male fled and B2H brought the female back to night time POS. While in process of saddling up the woman tried to blow a claymore. the woman was brought back to POS. for questioning.	S. F.
0855	2	140855H	While on patrol had a man trip M-26 booby trap. B/T was set up w/trip wire. Man medivac as Eng.	S. F.
1040	3	141040H	DIA w/on patrol found a tunnel complex at 812498. Tunnel complex was between a tree line between two banks. In side the bunkers found torn utilities both Marine and enemy also empty dressings, searched area and blew tunnels.	S. F.
1115	4	141115H	Alf while operating as a blocking force spotted 2 NVA with packs moving towards them from the W. Alf yelled for the 2NVA to stop but they turned and fled and were shot in place. Packs and documents were taken from the body. No other information has been received from Alf because of poor communications follow up will follow.	S. F.

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1145	5	141145H	AZE while on patrol observed 4 VC/NVA at above grid swimming in the river. AZE was Approx. 800 meters away and started to move in the VC/NVA saw AZE and swam across the river. AZE moved to where VC/NVA were they found a small campsite with gear lying around. AZE checked area extensively and continued patrol. AZE will bring gear in with them.	S. F.
1445	6	141445H	While in process of checking a tunnel complex B1I spotted 5 VC/NVA with weapons skying west B1I opened up and enemy returned fire. Fired 81mm mission and B1I is presently checking out area.	S. F.
1445	7	141445H	Alf after checking out area found 3 NVA KIA and 2 packs with clothing and personal gear. personal gear contained: Mess gear, Belt, Rainsuit, Rocksalt, Rope, Hammock green utilities, dark brown util., cooking utensiles.	S. F.
1800	8	141800H	AlG found a tunnel complex at the above grid. The tunnel was about 10ft. Underground and was approx 20ft. long and 4ft. wide. AlG blew tunnel complex w/bangalore torpedo.	S. F.

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1115		1	151115H	A26 with CIT found 4 shape charges a BAR and AK-50 in a bunker. The bunker was old with bushes all around. CIT took weapons to A.H. and A26 took shape charges to PCS.	S. F.
1230		2	151230H	While on patrol picked up 2 males between the ages of 12-16 yrs old for refusing to talk to KCS about recent VC activities. Men are suspected of being Recon agents for VC and are being brought in for further questioning.	S. F.
1300		3	151300H	Had man trip M-26 B/T w/trip wire B/T was set up in grassy area. Man that tripped B/T outran it before went off. Man behind him was hit slightly and was Non-Evac.	S. F.
1315		4	151315H	B2H spotted 2 males fleeing towards the river. B2H opened fire Killing one. Male was 18 yrs old and was wearing grey shorts. Man is suspected of being VC booby trapper. Man had on him 1 chicom, 5ft. trip wire and 1 NVA detinating cap.	S. F.
1645		5	151645H	ALF while on patrol observed 3 VC running to S. W. VC were wearing black pajamas, white shirts, had 2 packs. No weapons visable. ALF opened fire W/SA killing 1 Female.	S. F.

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1750	6	151750H	ALF w/on patrol spotted 3 VC/NVA. The VC/NVA started to flee. ALF opened fire w/M-60 and M-16 resulting in 1 VC/NVA KIA. Female 25-30 yrs old wearing black trousers W/white top. 2 male carry packs approx 20-25 yrs old fled through tree line to S. W.	S. F.
1920	7	151920H	D1A & 1B while moving separately to there night time position were open up on W/SA fire by approx 5-7 enemy. Taking 30-40 AK rds. D1A and 1B linked up after results unknown due to darkness will check out area at first lite.	S. F.
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0800		1	160800H	GRA noticed man coming toward them Man came to Chein Hoi. A3 brought man to S-2 man was 29 years old. He showed A29 where 3 B-40's were will send man to ITT on resupply.	S. F.
0830		2	160830H	A2E while returning from night time site was checking out area. A2E saw 1 VC in tree line fleeing N.E. 75 meters away. A2E opened fire W/M-79 after yelling at man to stop resulting in 1 VC KIA man was 35 yrs old wearing black P. Js.	S. F.
0830		3	160830H	CIA while on day time patrol detonated 1 M-26 B/T resulting in 2 USMC WIA first aid applied and medivac immediate. Area searched w/Neg results. Patrol continued.	S. F.
0930		4	160930H	A3G while on patrol spotted 3 VC/ NVA moving east to west at which A3G opened fire resulting in 1 VC/ NVA confirmed, man was 25 to 30 yrs old wearing blue shorts and blue shirt man had 45 pistol a sapper bag. Man had documents in sapper bag and wallet. The other two VC/NVA fled through the tree line. A3G presumed by fire with neg. results	S. F.
1000		5	161000H	CIA while on D/T patrol found 1 M- 26 B/T also found 2 lbs. C4 and some rags in an ammo can. area checked out thoroughly with no results	

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			B/T was blown in place. continuing on patrol.	S. F.
1100	6	161100H	While on patrol A39 spotted people from across the blue line. The S-2 scout called for the people to question. A woman said she lived in Duc Duc. The S-2 scout brought woman in for questioning because she was in arizona territory. will send to ITT on Resupply.	S. F.
1230	7	161230H	CLB while on day time Op spotted civilians in area. Squad sent out to check area discovering 150 lbs. rice and 100 lbs. tea assorted clothing also various documents appearing to be some kind of supply list. these findings along w/civilians were turned over to Bn.	S. F.
1310	8	161310H	A2G while on patrol found 3 B-40 rockets buried in sand near blue line. A2G brought to A Co CP and enginerrrs will blow them.	S. F.
1620	9	161620H	A1E while on day time patrol spotted 1 VC/NVA at above grid (817478) sniper W/ A1E opened fire W/ 1 VC NVA confirmed. It was a female 20 to 22 yrs old. wearing Blk P.J.s W/ green top and is suspected of being a rice humper.	S. F.
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0900	1	170900H	B3 while on patrol picked up two suspected VC males 45 and 62 yrs old. Men were wearing all white P/J's men had propaganda letters. VC men had poncho, USMC clothes and suspected NVA clothes in their possession. will be brought in and sent to ITT for further questioning	S. F.
1125	2	171125H	B1 while on patrol had PT. man hit B/T. B/T was daisy chain type. 2 M-62 Frags. W/trip wire across path. Both Med-e-vacs were in front of column wearing flaks and helmets when hit. 2 USMC Med-e-vacs.	S. F.
1345	3	171345H	B1 while moving to C.P. 5 took small arms sniper from grid 861540 contact is light intermittant No. of enemy Est. 2-3 VC/NVA. Called in 81's.	S. F.
1530	4	171530H	D3 while returning to C.P. made contact w/ 15 VC in tree line. D3 returned fire called in Arty and fragged an A. O. Enemy fired 300s/ A rds. contact lasted 10-15 mins.	S. F.
1720	5	171720H	AlG went to check out 824486 where 81's had secondary explosion. on the way back to C.P. found 3 B-40 rockets in bushes. Brought rockets back to FCS.	S. F.

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1730		6	171730H	While on patrol discovered two fighting bunkers on river bank at grid 822479, 1 dud 105mm Rd and 1 dud 175 mm rd at grids 809473 & 810474. Bunkers and duds order blown in place.	S. F.
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1130	1	181130H	B2 while on patrol picked up one suspected VC man approx 67 yrs old wearing white P.J.'s. While continuing on patrol man tripped M-26 B/T purposely and ran but M-26 was a dud. B-2 picked up man again he also had large green book w/names in possession. Man will be brought in and turned over to ITT for further questioning. M-26 blown in place.	S. F.
1135	2	181135H	B2 while at CP 3 received scattered fire S/A. B2 after returning fire swept through the area w/neg. results B-2 is proceeding cautiously.	S. F.
1315	3	181315H	B1 while on patrol spotted trip wire leading across path into pile of cans off to side of the trail. B-1 found 1 M-26 in the pile of cans. Engineers blew in place.	S. F.
1400	4	181400H	B1 while on patrol spotted approx 1 platoon of VC/NVA running N.E. called in 81mm mission and then going to check out area.	S. F.
1430	5	181430H	B1 while on patrol spotted 1 squad wearing white P.J.'s heading E. one carrying weapon. B1 opened fired and observed one man fall. B1 search the area w/neg results. VN female in a vill reports squad heading N. B1 sweeping area.	S. F.

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1515	6	181515H	B2 chased 7 VC/NVA into a vill Approx. 300m to their north killing 1 of them. People in Vill said 6 VC NVA w/frags and rifles were heading east. B2 continued to C.P. thoroughly searching area w/neg results.	S. F.
1850	7	181850H	B2 while setting in took S/A fire from VC/NVA 4w/rifles 1w/M-79 B2 returned fire and enemy fled to N.E. B2 checked out area w/neg results. B2 will move to new POS.	S. F.
1930	8	181930H	Alf while on way to night ambush site made point to point contact w/5 VC/NVA immediately opened fire they were wearing green util. Alf immediately opened fire w/SA enemy turned and fled to North Alf persued w/fire checking out the area with neg results.	S. F.
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1440	1	191440H	While setting up 60 mm mortar tube a marine detonated a 60mm pressure release type B/T injuring 6 Marines B/T was in an open, well traveled area. the Marines were not wearing flacks or helmets and were close together as they were building the mortar pit. Applied first aid and called medivac.	S. F.
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0753	1	200753H	GRB found one dead VC/NVA floating down the river. tried to intercept but failed as current was too swift. Man was wearing green utilities, cartridge belt w/first aid pack, chi com and pop-ups also had called Gr to get musk Or to stop body.	S. F.
1000	2	201000H	C1 while on day time patrol spotted 1 VC/NVA stopped near a stream to eat. Man was wearing green short Blk shirt. C-1 opened fire w/small arms resulting in 1 VC/NVA KIA. surrounding area checked out area neg. results	S. F.
1400	3	201400H	C1 while set up in day time harbor site searching out immediate area of harbor site. One personnel stepped on a pressure release type M-26 booby trap resulting in no casualties surrounding area searched out with neg. results.	
1645	4	201645H	C1 while set up in day time harbor site a personnel checking out immediate area tripped a M-26 booby trap which was set up on the ground with a trip wire. Resulting in one USMC WIA evac. Man was treated for injuries. As medvac called in gunship spotted approx 8 VC/NVA in immediate area and took them under fire. Upon completion of medvac C1 sent a	

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				squad to check out the area result-	
				ing in neg. results.	S. F.
1930		5	201930H	-D2B while setting in night time POS. Received approx 60 rds incoming S/A fire. From approx 5- 6 enemy. D2B returned fire called arty. called 1940 first rd 1949 EOM 1955 will check out area at first lite.	S. F.
1930		6	201930H	D2 in making a thorough search of last nites contact found 2 VC killed by S/A fire. One dead VC is the phantom blooper of the N. arizona. He died Blooper in hand and ho chi minh's on feet results 2 Vc KIA, 1 M-79 w/several 40 mm herds rds.. M-79 will be turned in and continueing to search area.	S. F.
1945		7	201945H	B3I while set in night time POS spotted 6 VC w/weapons in a boat across blue line. 5 males, 1 female 4 wearing all black P.J's 1 w/black bottom white top 1 w/black bottom blue top. Boat proceeded across blue line B3I opened up killing 5 VC/NVA 4 males 1 female boat turned over dumping KIAs weapons in Blue. Five bodied floated N.E. down Blue before sinking. Attempting to locate bodies and weapons hampered by current. B3I retrieved 1 M-26 1 Pr NVA shoes 1 bag medica kit,	

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			1 boat, 1 note book, plus personal gear.	S. F.
1945	8	201945	C1 prep fire for nite time activity searched area and one body wearing kaki shirt and green shorts searched area and finding one claymore and dep. wire in calymore bag enemy was killed by arty.	S. F.
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0815	1	210815H	D3A1 while on patrol tripped M-26 B/T at 875521. It was off side of trail administered first aid called medevac.	S. F.
0930	2	210930H	In making thorough search of ambush area & water only one more bag was found water logged the gear was brought back to CP The notebook was a complete training text for NVA corpsmen. Gear is French made.	S. F.
1530	3	211530H	C1 while set up in blocking force reported that Delta 4/9 had captured four VC/NVA and captured 1 AK-47 rifle, 1M-16 and 1 US made 45 caliber pistol C1 continued their blocking force until the delta 4/9 friendly unit relieved C1 blocking force. Then C1 preceeded back home by short route.	S. F.
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0930	1	220930H	B1 while making routine sweep around perimeter spotted 1 dead VC/NYA male floating down the river. Pulled the body in and found that the body was approx 1 day old. died of S/a wounds. Man had 1 watch and ring also wearing green top and bottoms. sent body on its way to pressure our beach.	S. F.
1515	2	221515H	while firing a fire mission with 60mm mortars a man was in the process of clearing mortar when round went off resulting in amputation of 1st digits fingers on both hands.	S. F.
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1050	1	231050H	B3 while on way to new POS spotted 2 NVA in tree line. They were wearing dark blue P.J's w/weapons B3 opened up W/SA fire killing one and wounding one. Enemy opened up W/automatic fire. Believed to be machine gun. B3 in searching area found 1NVA KIA w LAK-47 2Maags. 1chicom, documents and personnel gear. Neg finding of wounded enemy.	S.F.
1900	2	231900H	A3F while moving to nite time position received enemy fire. from S.W. estimated 6-7 VC/NVA approx 200 rds S/A auto. Returned S/A fire and M-79 A1F and A2G combined and sweep through area Neg findings due to darkness will check area out at first lite.	S.F.
1902	3	231902H	1st Plt charlie moving to night time ambush site when PT spotted approx 10 VC several w/rifles comb uniforms. Exchanged S/A fire VC went fleeing to SW called arty and 81 F/M. at 1905 first Rd 1910 fired illum to check out area C1 found 2 VC/NVA KIA One enemy was totally dismembered by arty. will continue to check out the area more thoroughly at first light. Sit up to ambushes in vicinity of contact.	S.F.
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0730	1	240730H	C-1 while checking out the area of previous night contact found approx 200 lbs. of tea but could not find any further evidence of additional enemy casualties.	S.F.
1035	2	241035H	C3A while on day time patrol spotted 2 VC/NVA eating chow. They were wearing green utilities. C3A opened fire W/S/A killing one the other one fled N.W. The man was approx 27 yrs. old and had one(1) chi-com. Cloathing in his pack.	S.F.
1615	3	241615H	AlE while on patrol spotted 6 ARVN's shooting at 3 men. AlE then combined with the ARVN's. They pursued the VC/NVA who fled into a tree line. AlE assumed command of the patrol. AlE spotted one(1) man fleeing into a hootch. AlE fired a Laaw resulting in one (1) VC/NVA confirmed. The man was approx 28-30 yrs. old wearing green utilities shirt w/brown trousers.	S.F.
1730	4	241730H	GIA found three(3) small boats. With large amounts of personal cloathing and effects. Small amounts of food and utensils. Also one(1) M-26 grenade and small amounts of medical gear (bandages). Suspected number of people at site 7-12 P's all the trails in this vic. show heavy movement. Boats destroyed and	

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0920	1	250920H	B3H while on patrol received sniper fire from a tree line. B3H returned fire and proceeded thru the area with Neg. results.	S.F.
1030	2	251030H	While moving thru area where snipers were, B3H found blood and gear that was left behind. B3H is now searching the area. Gear will be sent in on Re-supply.	S.F.
1115	3	251115H	While Hostage Bill was on station He received 5-10 rds. scattered sniper fire. Ran A/S and spotted 6 VC/NVA w/weapons running from area. Hostage Bill has one(1) confirmed KIA. B2I checking out the area. Enemy was wearing blue P. J.'s.	S.F.
1300	4	251300H	D3B while on patrol received approx 10 rds. of sniper fire from unknown enemy force. D3B returned fire W/ approx 40 rds. S/A and M-79. checked out area with Neg. results.	S.F.
1315	5	251315H	B2I while on patrol received approx 30 rds. Automatic and sniper fire from estimated 12 enemy. B2I returned fire W/SA fire and M-79. B1H was sent to aid. And they hit one B/T enroute causing one(1) USMC Eng. medevca. Medevca completed. AO&Arty are being called onto Area. Will submit a follow up.	S.F.

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1330	6	251330H	B3H while on patrol took 5-10 rds. of sniper fire from a tree line to the N.E. They spotted 7VC/NVA ages 17-25 wearing blue P.J.'s running into a ville. B3H chased enemy into ville killing 6 and capturing one(1). He was brought to IFF for further questioning.	S.F.
1400	7	251400H	<p>B1H while on patrol apprehended a suspicious women wearing yellow top and black P.J.'s approx 25 yrs. old carrying a one(1) mo. old baby. B1H continued on the patrol when B2I took S/A fire at the tree line Vic. 868546 about 251500H. B1H was directed to assist unit which was pinned down in a rice paddy. B1H hit a 60mm B/T with a trip wire resulting in one(1) USMC KIA, the man was wearing his flak gear and helmet nearest man was 20 meters uninjured. B1H received KIA from sniper fire in night band from Ak-47 while providing security for medivac. B1H recieved approx 20 rds. while awaiting medivac. B2I dispatched to scene of medivac to assist B1</p>	

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			unit in contact. B2 passed through B1 and continued to pursue last know location of the enemy fleeing. Air and 81's were called on TGT. B1 completed the medivac and followed on flanks of B2. B1 hit second B/T 105 pressure det. resulting in two USMC KIA and 2 USMC WIA. Marines were wearing flaks and helmts and were from 15-20 meters apart on line. B/T was hidden in Brush B1 conducted medivac of wounded B2 continued pursuing the enemy recieving intermittant sniper fire. Called in air and continued 81mm on the enemy upon recieving S/A fire vic. 876552 searched area with neg. results. Unit continued patrol when at 887545 about 1830H point element hit a M-26 B/T using barbwire as a trip wire. It was buried in brush. It reslted in two (2) USMC WIAE Marines. They were wearing flaks and helmet and approx 10 meters apart. Medivac complete.	S.F.
1625	8	251625H	While on day time patrol A1F spotted 3 VC/NVA fleeing thru a	

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			rice paddy to a tree line. ALF opened fire w/M-16's resulting in one(1) confirmed. He was a male approx 18 to 20, wearing a green bottom (shorts) and a white shirt.	S.F.
1930	9	251930H	C-3 while moving out on a night time ambush made point to point contact with 4 VC/NVA wearing varied VN clothing resulting in one enemy KIA. C-3 continued on to proceed to ambush site for night, S. F.	
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0940		1	260940H	While GR3 was leading his men on a patrol in search of the hated enemy. The point man tripped a M-26 B/T W/trip wire. GR3 walking second, with speed beyond belief, picked up the frag and disposed of it immediately by throwing it into a bomb crater. The frag then exploded safely causing neg. casualties. Men were wearing flak and helmets	S. F.
1100		2	261100H	D1 while on patrol took 3 M-79 rds. approx 30-40 rds. S/A fire Est. Enemy 3 to 4. returned fire with Neg. results.	S. F.
1100		3	261100H	Platoon point man tripped B/T. B/T was 2 M-26 frags in daisy chain as a result 2 USMC's were injured administered 1st Aid. called Med. searched area neg. results. Medivac complete.	S. F.
1115		4	261115H	D1 while on patrol tripped a 60mm B/T administered first aid called medivac in.	S. F.
1130		5	261130H	D1 while on patrol tripped 1-60mm B/T trip wire was in tall grass	

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			a long the trail. Administered 1st aid called in the medivac. Medivac complete.	S. F.
1215	6	261215H	C3 following up on contact made previous night. At first light checked out area of ambush site, discovering one additional body. the body contained one pack. The pack containing various documents. Surrounding area checked out W/ neg results. Documents turned over to S-2. Captured documents contained letter of intro. of civilians going to Quo Son Mt. to work one comm. cadre of B340 reporting for duty. Letter to local Vc in arizona area to check on status of boats in area. letter of commendation for killing 3 U. S. troops Note saying they would send \$45000 P's to K 625 trans Co. F-H neg I 1 VC KIA.	S. F.
1500	7	261500H	While on patrol the point man tripped 1 M-26 B/T W/trip wire across path. Searched area W/neg. results.	
2035	8	262035H	while on way to Night time ambush	

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			site. C1 spotted approx 10 VC/NVA moving along trail. C1 opened up with small arms and with immediate search of the area found blood trails with neg. results. C1 moved to a new ambush site and C1 will return to check out area at first lite.	S. F.
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0915	1	270915H	While moving to blocking POS. B2H spotted B/T sign and 1 VC wearing white shirt and green shorts. V. C. skyed in northerly dir. B2H opened fire after yelling "Lai Dai" Killing 1 VC/NVA about 30 yrs old. B2H cont. to blocking POS.	S.F.
1045	2	271045H	While on patrol tripped 1 M-26 B/T W/trip wire. B/T was off to the side of the trail in thick brush. Men were 25 meters apart wearing flak and helmets. Administered first aid and called in medivac.	S. F.
2130	3	272130H	Trip flare was tripped. It was then fragged by 3 frags. Took 1 incoming Chi-coms wounding 1 USMC in the stomach. 60mm HE and illum was fired W/neg results.	S.F.
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0745	1	280745H	While B1H and B2H were returning from their night time ambush site they made contact with est. 6-8 enemy. B1H and B2H are approx 600 meters apart and have the enemy between them. B1H recieved 1 USMC WIA from enemy B/T. Contact lasted 20 min. enemy fired 50-75 S/A rds. Administered first aid to WIA and called in medivac. Will call F/M at conclusion of medivac.	S.F.
0745	2	280745H	While checking out area of previous VC activities B1H was taken under heavy sniper fire. resulted in 1 USMC WIA at same time by B/T. B2H taken under sniper fire by VC/ NVA units returned fire, 81mm mission was fired. Reinforce to link with B2H and B1H. B1H land medivac. B1H & B2H proceeded while sweeping through area. B1H found 1 VC/NVA dressed in blue approx 30yrs. old killed by 81mm mission also found 1 VC/NVA dressed in black approx 30yrs old killed by rifle fire. Neg gear weapons were found. 1 Female VC/NVA age 28 yrs was found dead in battle-	

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			field area. Killed by M-79.	S. F.
0925	3	280925H	A2 on patrol with 5th Mar CIT fd 1 M-1 carbine rifle with 50 rds. Ammo lose and 300 rds. New sealed in tin. one (1) chicom grenades hidden in a bunker. 3 bunkers were hidden in thick brush. Chi- coms blown in place. Wpns and ammo will be returned to An Hoa W/CIT.	S. F.
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