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1st Inf, 9th Marines
DA NANG, RVN
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Operation Plan 322-65

Ref: (a) 3d Mar Div Op Order 343-65
 (b) 9th Mar Op Plan 330-65
 (c) Op Order 321A-65
 (d) Map: to be designated

Time Zone: H

1. SITUATION

- a. Enemy Forces. General situation - see current INTSUMS. Special situation - briefing will be announced when mission is assigned.
- b. Friendly Forces.
 - (1) 3d Marine Division continues to defend the CHU, DA NANG, HUE PHU LAI vital areas, and executes offensive operations in assigned TAOR's.
 - (2) 1st MAW provides air lift of required personnel and equipment, and provides CAS.
 - (3) Shipping, if required, for movement to objective area will be provided by a TF to be designated.
- c. Attachments and Detachments. As directed by initiating directive of higher authority.
- d. Assumptions.
 - (1) That 2/9 is deployed in assigned sector of TAOR at time of initiating directive.
 - (2) That attachments shown in Annex A (Task Organization) will be provided.

2. MISSION

On order, 2/9 be prepared to embark or deploy to an objective area to be announced. Be prepared to place remaining battalion elements and assigned sector under CPCON 3/3.

3. EXECUTION

- a. Concept of Operations. 2/9 forms a composite infantry battalion utilizing two rifle companies least committed and assumes OPCON of one rifle company, 3d Battalion, 3d Marines, to be designated, and moves to objective area to be designated for operations.

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Remaining elements of the battalion chop to OPCON 3/3. Sector responsibility and mission to be assumed by 3/3.

b. Co E (Rein).

- (1) Continue to defend assigned sector and conduct aggressive patrols to seek and destroy enemy force.
- (2) On order, be prepared to move to objective area, (to be designated) and deploy in accordance with scheme of maneuver (to be announced).
- (3) Be prepared to chop to OPCON 3/3

c. Co F (Rein).

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f. 81mm Mort Plt (rein).

- (1) Two sections, GS, companies of composite battalion
- (2) One section, DS, company remaining in sector.

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- (3) One section, DS, company remaining in sector
- (4) One section 3/3 mortars, DS, company to be designated from 3/3.
- g. 106mm RR Plt.
 - (1) Two sections, GS, companies remaining in sector.
 - (2) To prepared to provide 2 sections, GS, composite battalion.
- h. try 2/12 (..). On order, be prepared to move to objective area (to be designated) and support scheme of maneuver (to be announced).
- i. Plt, Co, 3d Mar In.
 - (1) On order, be prepared to move to objective area (to be designated) and support scheme of maneuver (to be announced).
 - (2) General Support.
 - (3) Provide Engr Detection Team to each rifle company of composite battalion.
- j. Det. Co, 3d Shore Party In. On order, be prepared to move to objective area (to be designated) and support scheme of maneuver (to be announced).
- k. Coordinating Instructions.
 - (1) Rules of engagement - Ref (a).
 - (2) Planning effective on receipt, and for execution on order.
 - (3) Upon activation for execution, all commanding officers/officers-in-charge report to this Headquarters ASAP, with recommended UP and T's. In the event amphibious lift to objective area is required, be prepared to submit list of all supplies and equipment to be lifted by transport aircraft or helicopters.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

a. Supply.

- (1) General Service Plt - reinforced by attachments (to be designated), provides logistic support to all units of the composite battalion.
- (2) Prescribed Loads.

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- (a) Class I. 1 days MICs' w/fuel per individual.
 - (1') One meal carried by individual.
 - (2') Two additional MICs to be staged by battalion supply.
- (b) Class II. Minimum combat essential T/E and T/A items. Motor Transport Officer and Communications Officer insure spare parts and radio batteries are carried in sufficient quantities for three days combat operations for the equipment taken. Heavy T/E and T/A equipment will be staged for loading.
- (c) Class III. All vehicle fuel tanks filled and two 5-gallon cans MCAS on each vehicle plus oil and lubricants for three days combat operations.
- (d) Class IV. As required to provide protection of sensitive installations. Types and quantity to be designated upon receipt of initiating directive.
- (e) Class V. Basic allowance with units. Battalion supply will stage an additional L/A.
- (f) Water.
 - (1') Two filled canteens per individual.
 - (2') 20 5-gallon cans filled and staged. Each company will have available one (1) litter bag.
- (g) Medical.
 - (1') Company Corporson carry individual unit #1 and nylon litter.
 - (2') LAS carry full initial allowance plus three days of high usage items.

b. Control and Distribution.

- (1) Control. Supplies and equipment will be safeguarded against damage by the elements, destruction or capture by enemy action and/or pilferages or waste by friendly troops.
- (2) Distribution. Supply point distribution initially and unit distribution to forward companies thereafter.
- (3) Resupply.
 - (a) Daily resupply of Class I, V, and water.

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(b) Resupply of Class II, III and IV upon request

(c) Supply point will be designated.

(4) Captured Material.

(a) All units report type, quantity, condition and location of captured material to this headquarters.

c. Evacuation and Hospitalization. Helicopter evacuation to 3d Medical Battalion.d. Transportation. To be designated.e. Miscellaneous.(1) Uniform and equipment.

(a) Utility uniform.

(b) Light Marching Pack.

(c) Normal arms and equipment.

(d) Helmet w/liner and camouflage cover (green side out).

(e) Poncho.

(f) Armored vest.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATION-ELECTRONICS

a. Command Posts.

(1) 2d Ln, 9th Marines (rear AT 992678)

(2) 2d Ln, 9th Marines (forward) T.A

(3) Companies report CP's as established.

b. Radio.

(1) Comm Plt (-) will be prepared to guard Regimental or Division Tactical Nets as required.

(2) An AN/PRC-25 radio with operator will be assigned to composite battalion companies. Company, 3/3 will be assigned a PRC-25 and operator from parent battalion.

(3) Rifle companies and H&S Co (-) will utilize normal frequencies and call signs as prescribed in ref (c). Attachments and Company, 3/3 be prepared to enter 2/9 tac net upon activation of this plan.

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- (4) Companies remaining in sector will be prepared to enter 3/3 tac net, via 2/9 tac net upon activation of this plan.
- (5) Two days of Couple KAC-138, Authentication, KAA-60, and frequency assignment cards will be issued to companies and attached units upon activation of this plan.

c. Wire.

- (1) Switchboard facilities will be installed at CP (TBA) and wire will be laid to rifle companies if tactical situation permits. Present switchboard call signs will be maintained.
- (2) 2/9 (rear) will utilize normal call signs suffixed by "rear".
- d. Upon activation, companies and attachments will draw a three day supply of batteries for each radio.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT COLONEL DONAHUE



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Executive Officer

ANNEXES:

- A - Task Organization
- B - Distribution

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2d Battalion, 9th Marines
 DA NANG, RSVN
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Annex A (Task Organization) to Operation Plan 222-65

Ref: 9th Marines Operation Plan 330-65

Time Zone: H

(All attachments effective for planning on receipt and execution on order)

2d Battalion, 9th Marines

LtCol DONAHUE

Det, Btry , 2/12
 SFCP, 2/12
 Det, Co , 3d SP Bn
 Plt, Co , 3d Engr Bn
 Det, Comm Plt, 9th Mar
 Det, H&S Co (-)
 Det, Med Plt
 Det, Comm Plt
 2 Sec, 81mm Mort Plt
 2 Sec, 106 RR Plt

Co E (Rein)

Capt COTTI

Co E
 FO Tm, Btry E, 2/12
 H&S Co (-), 2/9
 FO Tm, 81mm Mort Plt
 Det, Med Plt
 FAC Tm, 3d Engr Bn
 Det, Engr Tm, 3d Engr Bn

Co F (Rein)

Capt LING

Co F
 FO Tm, Btry F, 2/12
 Det, H&S Co (-)
 FO Tm, 81mm Mort Plt
 Det, Med Plt
 FAC Tm
 Det, Engr Tm, 3d Engr Bn

Co G (Rein)

Capt LAWRENCE

Co G
 FO Tm, Btry E, 2/12
 Det, H&S Co (-)
 FO Tm, 81mm Mort Plt
 FAC Tm
 Det, Med Plt
 Det, Engr Tm, 3d Engr Bn

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Co H (Rain)

Co H

FC Tm, ltry E 2/12

Dct, H&S Co (-)

FC Tm, 81mm Mort Plt

Dct, Med Plt

FAC Tm

Dct, Engr Tm, 3d Engr In

Capt GORMLEY

Co (Rain), 3d In, 3d Mar

Co

FC Tm, Dtry

Dct, H&S Co (-), 3/3

FC Tm, 81mm Mort Plt

Soc, 81mm Mort Plt 3/3

Dct, Med Plt

Dct, Engr Tm, 3d Engr In

Soc, 106 Plt 3/3

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To: Commanding Officer, 9th Marines

Subj: Command Chronology

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2
(b) DivO 5750.1

Encl: ✓(1) 2d Battalion, 9th Marines Command Chronology for the period
of 1 Dec - 31 Dec 1965.

1. In accordance with references (a) and (b), enclosure (1) is submitted.

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A. Organizational Data, Including Attachments.(1) Designations/Locations. 2d Battalion, 9th Marines, RVN(2) Period Covered by Report. 1 Dec - 31 Dec 1965(3) Name/rank of Commanding Officers and staff, including T/O billet assignments.

Commanding Officer	LtCol W. F. DONAHUE
Executive Officer	Maj D. D. FINNE
S-1	1stLt J. F. SMATHERS
S-2	Capt L. W. SULLIVAN, 1 - 19 Dec65 GySgt R. GIBBS, 19 - 31 Dec65
S-3	Maj K. L. CHRISTENSEN
S-4	Capt J. MCDAVID
Comm Officer	Capt D. G. MARCHELE
MT Officer	1stLt J. J. LUKASZEWCZ
Supply Officer	1stLt P. J. ARCHIBECK
Medical Officer	Lt C. L. GOODMAN Lt E. H. PALMER
Chaplain	Lt R. C. FRANKLIN
Civil Affairs Officer	1stLt J. F. SMATHERS
Company E	Capt W. A. COTTI
Company F	Capt H. A. LING II, 1 - 28 Dec65 Capt C. A. RECKWELL, 29 - 31 Dec65
Company G	Capt R. L. LAWRENCE
Company H	Capt P. L. GORMLEY, 1 - 18 Dec65 Capt L. W. SULLIVAN, 19 - 31 Dec65
H&S Company	Capt R. J. DRIVER

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(4) The average monthly strength during the reporting period 1 - 31 Dec 1965.

USMC		USN	
OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL
37	933	3	54

B. Listing of Significant Events.

(1) Personnel.

(a) Promotions. There were eighteen (18) sergeants, two (2) corporals and four (4) lance corporals promoted in accordance with MCC 1300.17.

(b) Transfers.

(1') There were 150 enlisted and one (1) officer transferred to CONUS.

(2') Percentage of personnel transferred = 14.8%.

(c) Casualties. There were fifty-five (55) casualties during the reporting period; three (3) KIA's, forty-one (41) WIA's, one (1) DOW, one (1) non-battle death by drowning, and nine (9) non-battle casualties.

(d) Percentage of T/O strength on 31 Dec 1965 - 87.11%.

(2) Administration.

(a) New liberty regulations and new message routing order were published during the reporting period.

(b) A total of ninety-two (92) Marines were sent on R&R.

(3) Intelligence. During the period covered by this report, the Battalion operated in two (2) separate areas. From 1-3 Dec 1965 in defense of Da Nang Air Base and from 4-31 Dec 1965, at the S.W. sector of Da Nang in the 9th Marines TAOR.

(a) During the period 1-3 Dec 1965, units of this Battalion in the defense of the Da Nang Air Base had no contact with the VC.

(b) During the period, 26 SID-TAC's were employed by this Battalion. No significant contacts were made.

(c) During the period 4-31 Dec 1965, units of this Battalion incurred medium contact with the VC. Most of the contacts were made by patrols which received small arms, automatic weapons, machinegun fire, and grenades from VC units. The fire was usually delivered

from treelines, hedgegroves, and across rivers which made pursuit practically impossible. The VC continued to have excellent preplanned routes of escape and a noticeable increase of proficiency in camouflage discipline. They continue to do an excellent job on policing their battlefield, and few VC KIA, WIA, or weapons were recovered by Marines. They also continue to refuse to engage in a firefight unless they feel they have an overwhelming number of personnel and fire power.

- (d) There was no noticeable increase in the use of booby-traps and mines by the VC although there were booby-trapped devices encountered throughout the sector, and were usually located on trails and gates approaching, or within villages. The U. S. M-26 fragmentation grenade was the most common type employed along with electrically controlled devices. The VC continue to make use of both the bamboo and steel panji.
- (e) During the period, one (1) AN/TPS-21 and 20 SID-150's were employed by this Battalion. No significant contacts were made with these devices. The S-2 M-70 sniper rifle was employed six (6) times and two (2) VC were sighted and downed by the rifle.

(f) Statistical Recapitulation.

(1') Fortifications destroyed.

Gatos - 25
 Bunkers - 2
 Tunnels - 23
 Trenches - 1500 meters
 Foxholes - 96
 Spider traps - 6
 Caves - 8

(2') Booby-traps and Mines Encountered.

Anti-personnel - 7
 Anti-tank - 0

(3') Weapons Captured.

K-50 Submachinegun - 1
 French MAS-36 rifle - 1

(4') VC Suspects Processed to Higher Headquarters. 22

(5') Total enemy contacts - 46.

- (4) Training. During this reporting period, the following training was conducted:

(a) All personnel of this command received instructions on the Rules of Engagement and Safety of Individual Weapons.

(b) Rifle companies conducted varied numbers of hours of instructions, dependent upon operational commitments, emphasizing Scouting and Patrolling, Tactics, First Aid, FO Procedures, and Demolitions. The Claymore Mine, Seismic Intrusion Device and LAAW (M-72) were presented to selected personnel.

(c) H&S Company. General training:

- (1') Characteristics of the Claymore Mine - 2 hrs
- (2') Employment of the Claymore Mine - 5 hrs
- (3') Characteristics & Employment of the Seismic Intrusion Detector - 5 hrs.
- (4') Field Fortifications (practical application) - 40 hrs
- (5') Employment of Wire Obstacles in a Defensive Position (practical application) - 40 hrs
- (6') In addition to the general training, separate platoons conducted training peculiar to that section, i.e., employment of the 106mm recoilless rifle by 106mm Recoilless Rifle Platoon, voice procedure for communications platoon.

(d) The 81mm Mortar Platoon conducted 120 hours of training as follows:

- (1') A total of 120 hours, including practical application, was spent on subjects as indicated below.
 - (a') Laying the Mortar - 30 hrs
 - (b') Sight Manipulation - 20 hrs
 - (c') Handling Misfires - 10 hrs
 - (d') Mounting and Dismounting - 35 hrs
 - (e') Selection of Positions - 10 hrs
 - (f') Fire Commands - 15 hrs
- (2') In addition to the training outlined above, sixty (60) hours was utilized on preventative maintenance.

(5) Operational Summary. On 2 Dec 1965, the 2d and 3d Battalions, 9th Marines commenced a simultaneous relief and exchange of missions

and responsibilities. The relief was accomplished over a three (3) day period and completed by 041500H Dec 1965, with sector control and assumption of missions and responsibilities effective 031600H Dec 1965.

The battalion occupied and defended assigned sector in defense of the Da Nang Air Base. Operations were conducted to prevent lateral movement of enemy into adjacent battalion sectors and into pacification area. Security is provided railroad bridge and water point (AT 998706) and National Police checkpoint at Mieu Bong (BT 032663). Operations include the denial of enemy use of waterways, railroad and road routes in assigned sector. Offensive operations against enemy forces were planned and conducted continuously.

At 081200H, this battalion assumed OPCON of Companies I, K, and M of the 3d Battalion, 3d Marines and responsibility for 3/3 sector of TAOR. OPCON terminated 181700H Dec 1965.

At 081200H, Company E and G was placed under OPCON 3/3 for Operation HARVEST MOON and reported to 3/3 at 081345H Dec 1965. OPCON terminated at 181730H Dec 1965.

At 121530H, Company H departed area for Operation HARVEST MOON under OPCON 3/3. OPCON terminated at 200830H Dec 1965.

On 27 Dec 1965, the battalion conducted Operation GOLDEN SPIKE. This was a search and destroy operation within the 9th Marines TAOR. Companies E and G conducted search and destroy operations in a Westerly direction while Company H searched to the north. Company F (rein) with tanks, ontos and engineers held blocking positions on the north side of the Song Bau Xau River and cleared the railroad bridge at Ha Dong of mines and booby traps. Company K, 3/3 established blocking positions west of objective area (See After Action report 7-65 attached). Elements of 51st Infantry Regiment, ARVN established blocking positions south of objective area.

(6) Nuclear, Biological, Chemical and other types of warfare. Not applicable.

(7) Command and Control.

(a) During the period 1-3 Dec 1965, the command post was located at (BT 005746). At 031600H Dec 1965, the 2d Battalion, 9th Marines relieved the 3d Battalion, 9th Marines and assumed responsibility of their portion of the 9th Marines TAOR with command post at (AT 992677).

(b) Company Command Post Locations.

(1') Company E - BT 041724

(2') Company F - AT 983661

(3') Company G - BT 024659

(4') Company H - AT 992677

(5') H&S Company - AT 992677

(8) Communications-Electronics. During December 1965, communications were provided for all companies and attached units to the maximum extent possible. One (1) major CP displacement was conducted from the Da Nang Air Base to, our sector of the TAOR. Operation GOLDEN SPIKE was supported on 27 Dec 1965. The use of AN/PRC-25 radios on the Battalion Tac Net, for the first time, greatly improved FM communications. The internal CP communications system was reinstalled in Dec 1965. A new electric lighting system with permanent generator support was established for the CP complex also. Wire lines were laid and maintained to all tactical elements. 15 new AN/PRC-10's were received as replacements for 15 old and badly operating ones. Air support and artillery communications were reliable and made quick reaction possible. Two (2) bunkers were built in the main CP, one (1) for the comm center and one (1) for the switchboard. Underwater lines were laid by boat to 3/3 and Co E and worked very well.

(9) Close Combat. Not applicable.

(10) Fire Support and Fire Coordination (FSOC).

(a) Fire Missions for December 1965. Battery E, 2d Bn, 12th Marines, direct support of 9th Marines.

(1') Artillery Fire Missions.

TYPE MISSION	NO. MISSIONS	ROUNDS FIRED
Targets of Opportunity	6	205

(2') 81mm Mortar Fire Missions.

TYPE MISSION	NO. MISSIONS	ROUNDS FIRED
Targets of Opportunity	14	210 (HE & WP)
Illumination	12	176
Registration	9	99 (HE)

(b) Summary of Fire Missions for December 1965.

(1') Targets were enemy small arms fire, mine fields or suspected VC movement.

(2') All missions had good or excellent effect on target.

(c) Air. (See paragraph (13)).

(11) Logistics.

- (a) The overall logistics and supply situation of this command has continued to improve during this reporting period.
- (b) The cantonment program has progressed well during this period and now is ninety-five percent (95%) complete.

(12) Air Defense. Not applicable.(13) Close Air Support.(a) Close Air Support.

Date - 21 Dec 1965
Mission - Cover for company sweep at (AT 934684)
Aircraft - Two (2) UH-1E's from 1830 - 1910H.
Ordnance Expended - none
Remarks - No contact with VC

Date - 27 Dec 1965
Mission - Cover for three (3) company sweeps and withdrawal from GS (AT 9962) and surrounding area.
Aircraft - Two (2) A-4D's from 1815 - 1915H.
Ordnance Expended - none
Remarks - none

(b) Logistics.

Missions - fourteen (14)
aircraft utilized - thirty-four (34)
Type Cargo Lifted - C-Rations, water, explosives, barbed wire
Time Utilized - twenty-one (21) hours

(c) Reconnaissance.

Missions - Eight (8)
Personnel Carried - thirty-nine (39)
Time Utilized - five (5) hours
Number of Aircraft - sixteen (16)
Remarks - Propaganda leaflets dropped on five (5) missions

(d) Troop Lifts.

Missions - five (5)
Personnel Lifted - five-hundred fifty (550)
Time Utilized - eight (8) hours
Number of Aircraft - ten (10)

(e) Medical Evacuations.

Missions - sixteen (16)

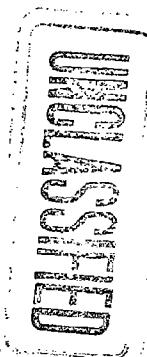
Personnel lifted - twenty (20) Marines, seven (7) ARVN, two (2) civilians.

Number of Aircraft - Thirty-two (32)

(14) Medical Support.

(a) A total of 534 Marines were treated in battalion sick call.

(b) A total of 1,940 Vietnamese were treated by line corpsmen along with village sick call teams.

(15) Chaplain Support. Not applicable.(16) Civil Affairs. During the month of December 1965, a total of 1,940 Vietnamese civilians were treated. Also during the month, the following items were distributed: six-hundred and ninety-one (691) bars of unwrapped soap, thirteen (13) bottles of vitamins (A, B, & C), eight (8) tubes of disinfectant, thirteen (13) bottles of baby food, nineteen (19) canisters of salt, seventy-eight (78) packages of candy, two-hundred and thirty-seven (237) pieces of clothing, twenty (20) pounds of cooked rice and thirty-five (35) pounds of cooked hamburger.

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Ref: (a) Map: INDOCHINA, 1:50,000, Edition 1 AMS, Sheets 6658I, Series L701
 (b) 2d Battalion, 9th Marines CPO 321A-65

Time Zone: H

Task Organization: See Annex A

1. SITUATION

- a. Enemy Forces. See current INTSUMS
- b. Friendly Forces.
 - (1) E Btry, 12th Marines in direct support.
 - (2) 1st MAW provides two (2) HU-1E helicopters on station during the operation and are available as command ships as required. CAS aircraft are on strip alert armed with napalm commencing H-Hour until completion of operation. Aerial observer will be on station during operation.
 - (3) 3d Bn, 3d Marines establishes and holds blocking positions West side of objective area from (AT 986640) to (AT 972611) during operation.
 - (4) 2d Plt, Co C, 3d Engr Bn in direct support.
 - (5) 1st Plt, Co C, 3d AT Bn in direct support.
 - (6) 3d Plt (-), Co B, 3d Tank Bn in direct support.
 - (7) E-L Plt (-), Co B, 3d Amtrac Bn in direct support.
 - (8) 2d Plt, Co B, 9th MT Bn in direct support.

2. MISSION

2d Bn, 9th Marines (rein) conducts search and destroy operation in objective area bounded by Route #1 from (BT 023660) to (BT 035635); from (BT 035635) to SONG LA THO River (BT 020607); West along SONG LA THO River to (AT 973612); North along SONG BAU XAU River (BT 008648) and then to (BT 023660).

3. EXECUTION

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a. Concept of Operation. 2d Bn, 9th Marines (rein) conducts search and destroy operation West and North in objective area. One company moves West by most direct route to area vicinity (AT 993610) and searches West and North. Two companies abreast search West in objective area. One company (-) supported by tanks (one (1) flame), LVTE, ontos, and engineers occupies and holds blocking positions on North of SONG BAU XAU and clears Ha Dong Railroad Bridge of mines and booby traps, including approach areas on both sides. Elements of 3d Bn, 3d Marines occupies and holds blocking positions West of objective area. See Annex B (Operation Overlay).

b. Co E (Rein).

(1) At H-Hour cross LD and move to obj B in zone and conduct search and destroy operation therein. See Annex B (Operation Overlay).

c. Co F (-) (Rein).

(1) At H-Hour, and supported by tanks and ontos, establish blocking position North of objective area along SONG BAU XAU River from (BT 003644) to (AT 986640).

(2) At H-Hour and supported by flame tank, LVTE and engineers, commence clearing the Ha Dong Railroad Bridge (AT 991642) of obstacles, mines, and booby traps, including approach areas on both sides of river.

(3) Be prepared to support companies conducting search and destroy operations. See Annex B (Operation Overlay).

(4) Establish combat outpost vicinity (AT 990642) to deny enemy use of Ha Dong Railroad Bridge, on order.

d. Co G (Rein).

(1) At H-Hour cross LD and move to obj A in zone and conduct search and destroy operations therein. See Annex B (Operation Overlay).

(2) Place Seismometer at (AT 993638) (AT 994636) (AT 997634) and (AT 997631). Place wire from Seismometers underground to North side of railroad bridge (AT 990643).

e. Co H (Rein).

(1) At H-1 hour, cross LD and move by most direct route, ensuring proper security, to vicinity (AT 993613). Be prepared on order to conduct search and destroy operation West and North in zone. See Annex B (Operation Overlay).

f. Bn Rcs.(1) H&S Co (-)

(a) Be prepared for employment in objective area.

g. 81mm Mort Plt

(1) Two (2) Sections located vicinity (AT 990643).

(2) One (1) Section located vicinity (BT 025656).

(3) One (1) Section located vicinity (AT 985662).

(4) General Support.

h. 106 RR Plt.

(1) General Support.

i. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) Annex B (Operation Overlay).

(2) D-Day - 27 December 1965.

(3) H-Hour - 0500H.

(4) Rules of engagement remain in effect.

(5) Wearing of flak jackets optional.

(6) Mark front lines with air panels and/or colored smoke prior to executing air to ground strikes.

(7) Unclassified code name for this operation is GOLDEN SPIKE.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

a. General. Initial supply will be provided by organic units.

b. Distribution.

(1) Unit distribution to the companies.

(2) Levels of Supply.

(a) Class I - One (1) MCI per individual. Supply will have an additional day's ration "on call".

(b) Class II - No resupply of T/E is anticipated.

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- (c) Class III - none.
- (d) Class IV - None carried initially; however it may be requested on resupply.
- (e) Class V - One (1) basic allowance will be carried by the individuals. An additional basic allowance will be maintained by supply on an "on call" basis.
- (f) Water - All personnel carry two (2) full canteens of water. Supply will have available an additional one-hundred (100) full water cans.

c. Captured Material. No change.

d. Evacuation.

- (1) Evacuation will be by the most expeditious means available to the nearest medical facility.
- (2) Crew served weapons and M-79's will not be evacuated with the casualty. Other weapons, if evacuated, will be noted on the casualty card.

e. Transportation.

- (1) Trucks will be utilized to get to the objective area for Companies "H" and "E". Company "H" will load on the MSR (Southern end of CP) at 270315H. Company "E" will load at the same point at 270415H, upon return of trucks from Company "H" lift.
- (2) Trucks will return to the battalion CP upon completion of the lift. Be prepared to transport companies back to CP from vic Ha Dong Bridge upon termination of operation.

f. Services.

- (1) Engineers will provide detection and demolition teams.

g. Miscellaneous.

- (1) Uniform. Utilities, normal arms and equipment, helmets (green side out), entrenching tool for every two (2) men and flak jacket (optional).

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

a. See reference (a).

b. Guard radio nets commencing 270400H December 1965.

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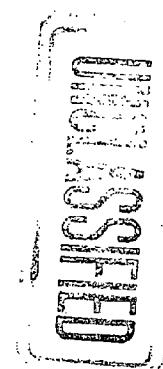
- c. Recover used wire and batteries.
- d. Strict accounting of communication equipment will be maintained.
- e. Command Posts.
 - (1) 2d Bn, 9th Marines - AT 988643
 - (2) Report CP locations as established.



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H&S Co (-)

Det H&S Co (-)
Det Med Plt
Det Comm Plt
81mm Mort Plt
106 RR Plt
Flame Sec
ALC
2/12 LnO

Capt R. J. DRIVER

Co E (Rein)

Co E
FO Tm, Btry E 2/12
Det H&S Co (-)
FO Tm, 81mm Mort Plt
FAC Tm
Det Med Plt
Det Comm Plt

Capt W. A. COTI

Co F (-) (Rein)

Co F (-)
FO Tm, Btry E 2/12
Det H&S Co (-)
FO Tm, 81mm Mort Plt
Det, Med Plt
Det, Comm Plt
FAC Tm

Capt H. A. LING II

Co G (Rein)

Co G
FO Tm, Btry E 2/12
Det H&S Co (-)
FO Tm 81mm Mort Plt
FAC Tm
Det, Med Plt
Det, Comm Plt

Capt R. L. LAWERENCE

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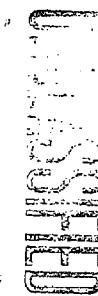
Capt L. W. SULLIVAN

Co H
FC Th, Btry E, 2/12
Det, H&S Co (-)
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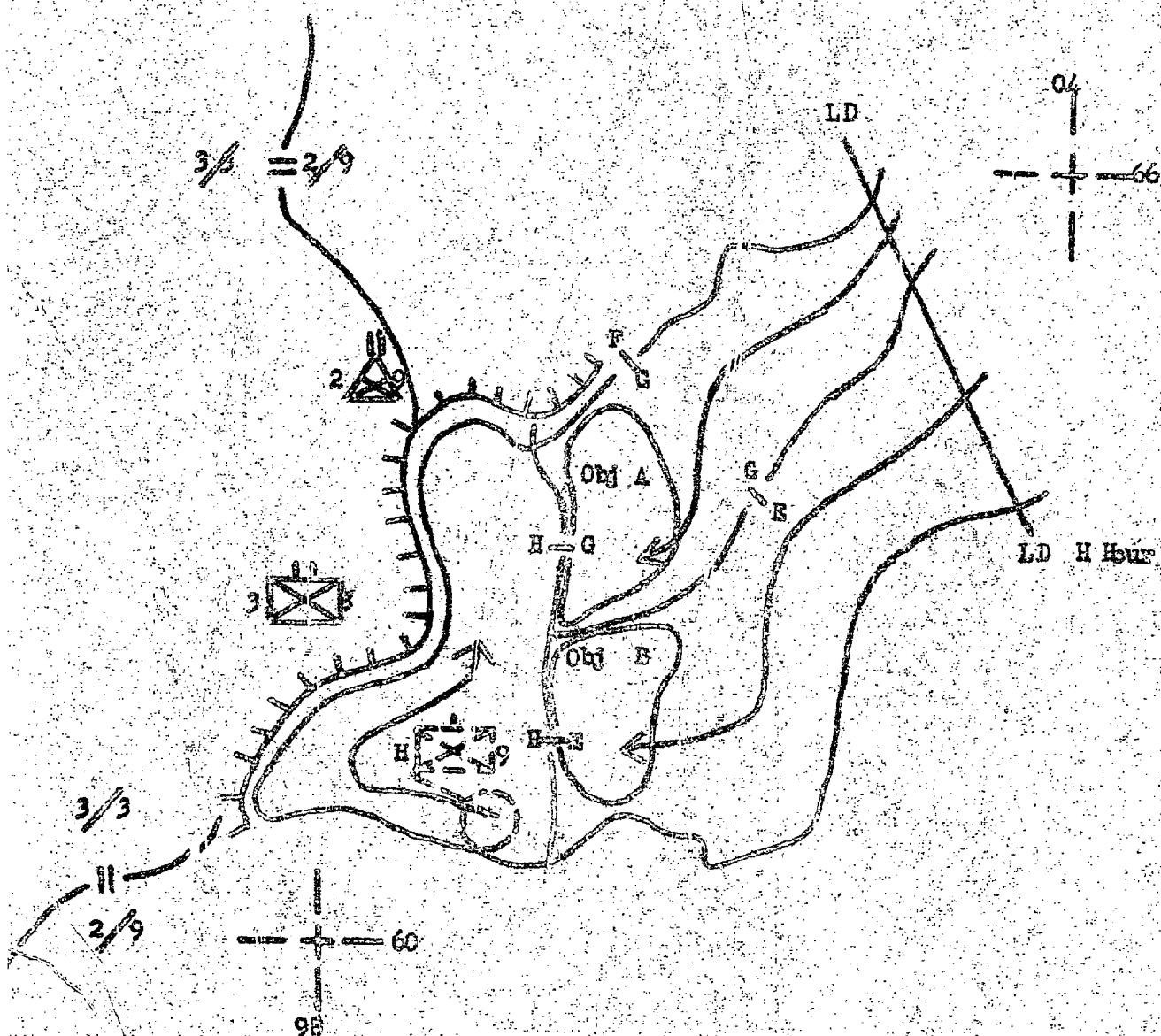
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CC, 1st Bn, 9th Mar	2
CC, 2d Bn, 12th Mar	3
CC, E Btry, 12th Mar	3
CC, 3d Engr Bn	3
CC, Co C, 3d Engr Bn	3
CC, Co C, 3d AT Bn	3
CC, Co B, 3d Tank Bn	3
CC, Co B, 3d Amtrac Bn	3
CC, Co B, 9th MT Bn	3

Internal2d Bn, 9th Mar

CO	1
XO	1
S-3	5
S-4	2
S-2	2
S-1	1
COMMO	2
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 (d) CO, 2d Bn, 9th Marines ltr dtd 20 Dec 1965
 (e) CO, 9th Marines ltr dtd 23 Dec 1965
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1. In accordance with references (a) and (b) Annexes A through F are forwarded.

2. The operation for which this report is submitted was executed in compliance with references (c), (d), (e) and (f).

3. This report is based on information obtained from detailed debriefings of personnel involved, pertinent operation orders, staff journals, and radio logs.

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2d Bn, 9th Marines

Co E
 Co F
 Co G
 Co H

2d Bn, 12th Marines (Direct Support)

2d Plt, Co C, 3d Engr Bn (Direct Support)

1st Plt, Co C, 3d AT Bn (Direct Support)

3d Plt (-), Co B, 3d Tank Bn (Direct Support)

E-1 Plt (-), Co B, 3d Autrac Bn (Direct Support)

2d Plt, Co B, 9th MT Bn (Direct Support)

1st MAW (provided CAS and helicopter support)

3d Bn, 3d Marines (-). Established and held blocking positions on West side of objective area from AT 986640 to AT 972611 during operation.

1st Bn, 51st Regt RVN (-). Established and held blocking positions to the South of the objective area from AT 990606 to AT 997606.

<u>Strengths</u>	<u>Officer</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>
Co E	4	150
Co F	5	147
Co G	5	145
Co H	4	140

(Direct support units not included in totals)

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2d Bn, 9th Marines
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Annex B (Statistical Data) to After action Report 7-65

1. Significant Times.

a. Period of operation - 270400 H to 271900 H Dec 1965

b. Crossed LOD.

Co H - 270410H Dec 1965

Co E - 270540H Dec 1965

Co G - 270600H Dec 1965

c. Initial Enemy Encounter.

Co E - 270615H Dec 1965

Co H - 270645H Dec 1965

Co G - 271000H Dec 1965

d. Commenced search of objective A - 270820H Dec 1965

e. Commenced search of objective B - 271000H Dec 1965

f. Search of objective A completed - 271500H Dec 1965

g. Search of objective B completed - 271730H Dec 1965

h. Co G returned to front line positions - 271800H Dec 1965

i. Co H returned to Battalion CP - 271830H Dec 1965

j. Co E returned to Battalion CP - 271840H Dec 1965

2. Casualties.

a. Battle.

Type	USMC	USN	VC	Civilians
KIA	1	0	3	0
WIA	2	0	unk	0
POW	0	0	14 (VGS, VCG, NVA)	

b. Non-Battle - None

3. Nature of Action. Battalion (Rein) search and destroy operation of the area bounded on the North by the 65 grid line, the East by Highway 1, the South by the Song La Tho River and the West by the Song Bau Xau River.

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4. Total Estimated Enemy Contact. Contact was made with a total of 57 VC. Company H made contact with approximately 33 VC. Companies E and G made contact with 23 and 1 VC respectively.

5. Enemy Weapons Encountered. Numerous semi-automatic - automatic weapons equivalent to the M-14 or M-1 including 1 French rifle, approximately seven (7) automatic rifles, numerous carbines, one (1) Chinese communist grenade, and one (1) booby trapped rifle cartridge.

6. Structures and Positions Encountered. 675 meters of trench and 11 eaves were destroyed. 3 bamboo and wire obstacles were checked for booby traps, then bypassed. Innumerable panji pits and foot traps were encountered along trails.

8. Ammunition/Demolitions Expended.

Type	Number
Ctg, 7.62mm single	1960
Ctg, 7.62mm linked	1500
Ctg, Cal. .45	0
Rkt, 3.5" HE	0
Rkt, 3.5" WP	13
Shell, 40mm	90
Shell, 60mm HE	48
Shell, 60mm WP	0
Grenade, hand, M-26 Frag	87
LAW M-72	6
TNT	280 lbs
C-4	220 lbs

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2d Battalion, 9th Marines
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Annex C (Narrative Account of Operation) to After Action Report 7-65

The concept of operation called for 2d Battalion, 9th Marines (Roin) to conduct a search and destroy operation West and North in in objective area. One company (-) supported by tanks (includes one (1) flame) LVTE, mortars, and engineers occupies and holds blocking positions on North of Song Bau Xau and clears Ha Dong Railroad Bridge of mines and booby traps including approach areas on both sides. Elements of 3d Bn, 3d Marines occupies and holds blocking positions West of objective area. (See Annex F). 1st Battalion, 51st ARVN Regiment provided blocking force South of objective area from (AT 986609) to (AT 994606).

Co E At 270540H, Co E crossed the LCD (BT 024658) to (BT 028670) and at 270545H discovered three (3) obstacles constructed of bamboo and wire, cylindrical in shape with a 4 foot diameter. These obstacles were blocking the trail at 50 meter intervals at (BT 026637). The obstacles were bypassed after being examined for booby traps. At 270615H, the Co E point killed one VC who tried to flee as the Marines approached (BT 024637). At 270645H, Co E received sporadic fire from a wood line at (BT 017620) as they moved through a rice paddy at (BT 019619). At this time one (1) Marine WIA was sustained; but it has been determined that the wound was the result of a booby trapped rifle cartridge rather than from direct VC fire. Co E returned fire and moved through the tree line. The wounded Marine was med evacuated by helicopter. At 270800H, two (2) Vietnamese males at (BT 007618) were challenged and responded by firing one (1) round. Co E returned with 10 rounds automatic rifle fire, striking both men. The AR fire was followed up by throwing a frag grenade into the area in which the two (2) VC fell. A search yielded one (1) VC body and French rifle with five (5) rounds of ammunition. At (BT 010620), a Chinese communist grenade was found and destroyed. At 270830H a VCS was apprehended at (BT 006618) and a few minutes later 12 more VCS were apprehended at (BT 008618). Armed VC had been observed fleeing this area previously. At 271430H, Co E elements discovered a male VCS hiding in a bomb shelter at (BT 00617). He possessed VC documents which were subsequently passed on to S-2. All VCS were then heli-evacuated to Bn POW collection point. At 271500H in La Tho Bac (3) (BT 0061) several tunnels were found and destroyed. Dimensions of the tunnels were 4 feet x 4 feet and up to 200 meters in length and the tunnels roughly paralleled the trails and woodlines. One VC was killed as he scrambled out of a tunnel and tried to run away. At 271605H, one (1) Marine was KIA when hit by a burst of automatic fire from (AT 998607). Artillery fire was called on the VC AR's position and the aerial observer on station reported seeing two (2) bodies blown from a trench at that location. As Co E moved West out of La Tho Bac (3) towards the railroad track at 271730H, they received fire from (AT 990613). Also, three Vietnamese males, one with a carbine were seen fleeing through the rice paddies at (AT 994617). The three were taken under fire and all were seen to fall. At 271730H, Co E completed the search and clear of objective B and swung North up the railroad tracks to return to the Bn CP (AT 991678) arriving at 271840H.

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Co G. Co G crossed the LOD (BT 028650 to BT 036633) at 270600H and conducted search and destroy operations to the Southwest reaching objective A (Bich Nam (2) - BT 000639) at 270820H. Co G continued with search and destroy operations through Bich Nam (1) (AT 996635) and dispatched one squad to install Seismatic Intrusion Detectors at (AT 993638, AT 994636, AT 997634 and AT 997631) with underground wire to the North side of the railroad bridge (AT 990643). Co G then continued the search and destroy operations through La Tho Bac (1) (BT 005633) and Quang Dong (2) (BT 000627). On the whole, Co G's part of Operation Golden Spike was uneventful. Contact with the VC was only made once at about 271000H as elements of Co G were moving into Bich Nam (1) (AT 996635). They received 2 rounds of carbine fire from within the village. They returned fire and moved into the village. A subsequent search yielded negative results and no casualties were assessed. It was noted that in Co G's sector of this operation, the villagers were unfriendly and reticent and noticeably frightened of Marines. No young men and very few old people were noted but young women and children were predominant. All women were wearing white bands in their hair and possessed authentic identification cards. Over 28 families were interrogated and all expressed great fear of artillery; most of the brick-type houses had been damaged but the straw type houses were in excellent shape. Evidence of VC occupation and activity was everywhere in the area - 75 meters of tunnel was destroyed as were six (6) automatic weapons positions, 84 fighting holes, one (1) helicopter obstacle (wire on bamboo stakes) and 13 anti-American slogan books in which has printed "Two Marine Battalions were destroyed during HARVEST MOON." Also one (1) outdoor classroom with a blackboard on which was printed anti-American slogans was found and destroyed. Over 800 meters of new trench was found from (BT 000628 to BT 005628) and new tunnels and holes under constructions were found at (BT 005627). Very few old defensive positions were noted - most of the positions were new or under construction. The terrain in Co G's sector was muddy but passable by foot and each village had thick tree-lines and was like an island surrounded by rice paddies. Co G finished their portion of operation GOLDEN SPIKE at 271500H and returned to their front line positions at (BT 024658).

Co H. Co H moved across the LOD (BT 033644) at 270410H and commenced the movement Westward toward their objective area. Three (3) barriers were encountered along the trail at (BT 026637) - these same barriers were also noted by Co E. Co H's column turned South at (BT 007634) and received 5 rounds of sniper fire from the West which was silenced by 3 rounds 60mm and some small arms. Co H crossed the railroad bed (AT 995613) and was in position to commence search and destroy of Quang Dong (1) (AT 993610) by 270830H. Search and destroy operations were commenced at 270830H in a Westerly direction toward the Song Bau Xau on a 1000 meter front using the Song La Tho as the left boundary. One (1) Marine sustained a panji stake injury to the instep of his foot and was medevacuated by helicopter. Numerous old fighting holes and covered trenches were discovered and 200 meters of them were destroyed. One (1) VCS was taken and helievacuated. At 271100H, an estimated 20 VC at (AT 978608) fired on Marines on North bank of Song La Tho (AT 978610). Fire was returned and one (1) VC was knocked down. At 271130H, Marines from 3/3 directed Co H's attention to

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about 15 - 20 VC moving South from (AT 974611). Co H fired 13 rounds of 60mm HE and 15 rounds of 3.5" WP at the VC and 3/3 elements observing said that the fire was on target. At 271330H, Co H deployed along the trail from (AT 977614) to (AT 993617) and commenced search and destroy operations in a Northerly direction to the Ha Dong Bridge at (AT 990641). At 271500H, one (1) round of sniper fire was received from (AT 994617). Numerous fortifications all of which were old, were seen and the largest ones were destroyed. All of the villages in this section were semi-deserted.

Separate reports were received from five (5) villagers that about 100 VC were in the area on 25 December 1965 and held many meetings in which they instructed villagers to stay in their houses until daylight on the 28th. The VC then held numerous propaganda meetings and erected numerous signs proclaiming the anniversary of the establishment of the National Liberation Front of South Vietnam. At least one of these signs was found over the entrance of each hamlet entered. Co H completed their portion of operation GOLDEN SPIKE at 271700H and returned to the Battalion CP by 271830H.

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Annex D (Lessons Learned) to After Action Report 7-65

1. There is no question that VC occupied and operated in the objective area just prior to GOLDEN SPIKE. This was verified by recently constructed defensive positions, interrogation of villagers and the large amount of anti-American and pro-VC propaganda devices. It is equally obvious that the VC had prior warning of GOLDEN SPIKE and elected to evacuate the area rather than make a determined defense.
2. Fear of American troops is predominant in the area of GOLDEN SPIKE and this can be attributed to successful VC propaganda and artillery H&I fire of which the villagers are terrified.
3. The AN/PRC-25 is far superior to the AN/PRC-10 as a means of communication and communication problems were very minor.

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Annex E (Recommendations) to After Action Report 7-65

1. It is recommended that the area of Operation GOLDEN SPIKE be the objective of a determined propaganda campaign.
2. It is understood that propaganda is ~~useless~~ unless it can be backed up by physical presence of Marine units so it is further recommended that more operations and patrols be run in this area.
3. It is recommended that a surveillance be performed to determine the actual areas of impact of H&I fires so that there is little chance of firing into the villages by accident.

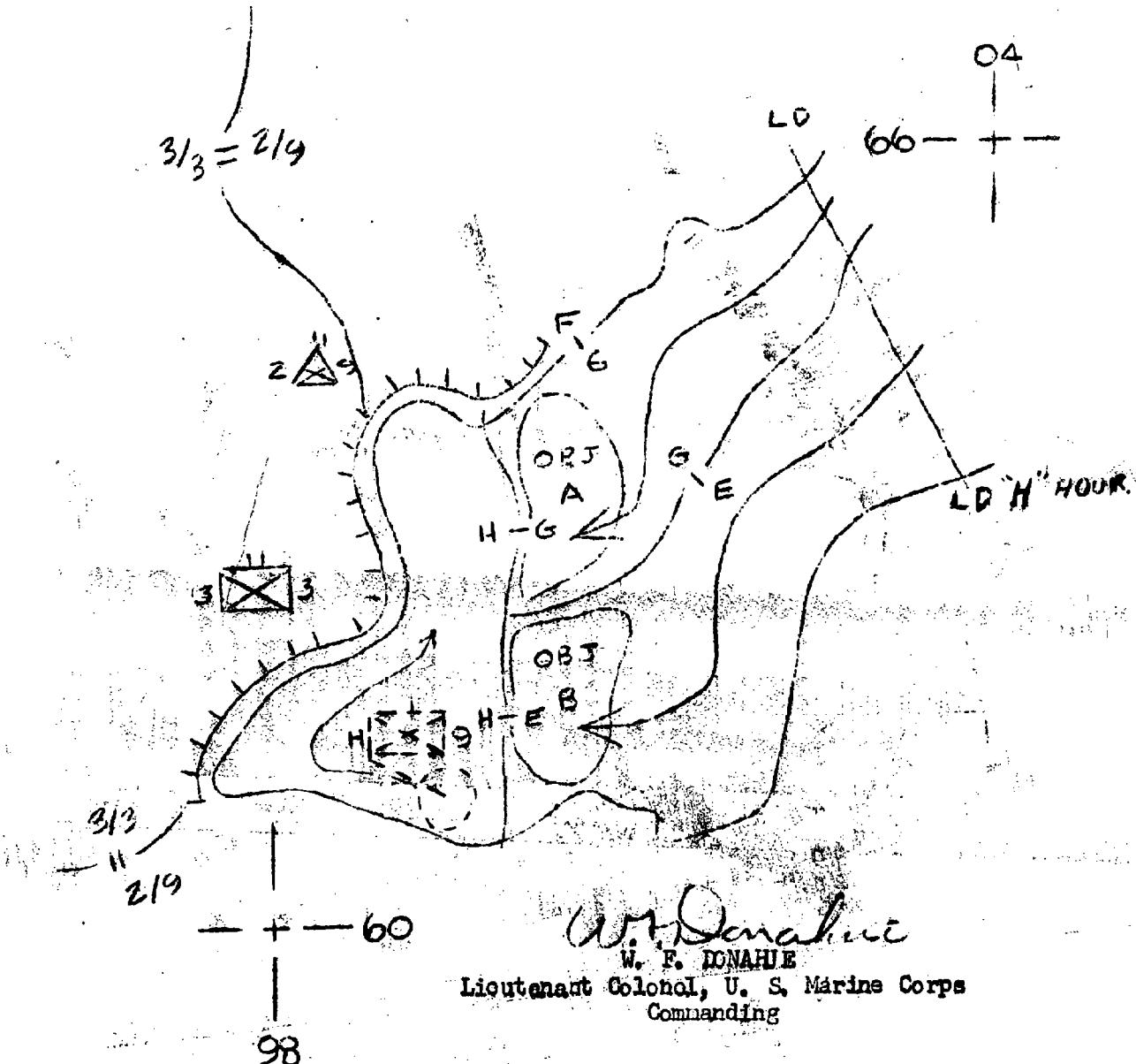
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Task Organization: Annex A (Task Organization)

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces. See Annex B (Intelligence)

b. Friendly Forces.

- (1) ARVN forces conduct search and destroy operation northward from HOI AN West of SONG DE VONG River to prevent enemy escape to West from objective area.
- (2) FMAW provides close air support, aerial observation and reconnaissance and helicopter support.
- (3) Naval gunfire support to be provided.
- (4) VNN Coastal Surveillance Force maintains security of coast of South China Sea and denies use of inland waters in objective area by VC elements.
- (5) 2d Bn, 12th Marines (rein) in direct support.
- (6) Co B (rein), 1st Amtrac Bn in direct support.
- (7) 1st Amphibian How Plt, 1st Amtrac Bn in direct support.
- (8) Co B (-), 3d Tank Bn in direct support.
- (9) Co C (-), 3d AT Bn in direct support.
- (10) 2d Plt, Co C, 3d Engr Bn in direct support.

c. Attachments and Detachments. Annex A (Task Organization, effective 0800 H H-1.

2. MISSION

2d Battalion, 9th Marines at H-Hour on D-Day in coordination with ARVN forces attacking from the Southwest, conducts operations to search for

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and destroy enemy forces in the coastal area from (BT 123634) to (BT 183589) and bounded by SONG HA XAU, SONG KIEN, and SONG DE VONG Rivers on the West.

3. EXECUTION

a. Concept of Operations. Commencing at H-Hour, 2d Battalion, 9th Marines (-) (Rein) supported by LVTs, tanks, mortars and engineers conducts movement South along coastline to Southern end of objective area and conducts search and destroy operation North; establishes blocking positions West and North of objective area. Deception plan and psywar plan to be concurrent with operations. Operation to be conducted in two phases.

(1) Phase I. Commencing at H-Hour, three companies (rein) supported by LVTs (LVTP-5 and LVT), tanks, mortars and engineers move from assembly area vicinity (BT 078718) South along shoreline to Southern end of objective area and conducts search and destroy operation North. One company (rein) supported by tanks moves to West side of objective area and establishes blocking positions. One company (rein) supported by tanks moves to West side of objective area and establishes blocking positions on North end of objective area.

(2) Phase II. On D-Day, 2d Battalion (Rein) establishes night defensive positions with blocking forces remaining in position. On D+1 with two companies in blocking position, three companies continue search and destroy operation North to Northern end of objective area. After completion of search and destroy in objective area, 2d Battalion, 9th Marines moves to assembly area vicinity (BT 078718) and prepares to resume previously assigned missions.

b. Co E (Rein)

- (1) At H-Hour and embarked aboard LVTP-5 tractors, move to Southern portion of objective area, disembark and on order commence search and destroy operation North in zone. See Annex C (Operation Overlay).
- (2) Be prepared to assume portion of defensive perimeter on order.
- (3) Be prepared to continue search and destroy operation in zone on on order.

c. Co H (Rein)

- (1) At H-Hour and embarked aboard LVT-5 tractors, move to Southern portion of objective area, disembark and on order conduct search and destroy operation North in zone. See Annex C (Operation Overlay).

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(2) Be prepared to assume portion of defensive perimeter on order.

(3) Be prepared to continue search and destroy on order.

d. Co B (Rein), 1/9.

(1) At H-Hour and supported by one platoon tanks, move to West of objective area and establish blocking positions. See Annex C (Operation Overlay).

(2) Be prepared to conduct search and destroy operation East through objective area on order.

e. Co L (Rein), 3/9.

(1) At H-Hour and embarked aboard helicopters move South and establish blocking position on North end of objective area. See Annex C (Operation Overlay).

(2) Be prepared to conduct search and destroy operation South in objective area on order.

f. 81mm Mort Plt (-) (Rein).

(1) 1 section 2/9

(2) 1 section 3/3

(3) General support

g. Bn Res.

(1) Co K (Rein), 3/3.

(a) At H-Hour and embarked aboard LVTP-5 tractors, move to Southern portion of objective area. Move North in trace of two assault companies.

(b) Be prepared for employment in objective area.

(c) Be prepared to conduct search and destroy operation in Objective A. See Annex C (Operation Overlay).

(d) Provide security for Battalion rear area.

(e) Be prepared to assume portion of defense perimeter on order.

h. Coordinating Instructions.

(1) D-Day - 3 January 1966

(2) H-Hour - 0800 H

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- (3) Riot control agents authorized in assigned zone only.
- (4) Rules of engagement remain in effect.
- (5) Wearing of flak jackets optional.
- (6) Mark front lines with air panels and/or colored smoke prior to executing air to ground strikes.
- (7) Reports.
 - (a) Crossing LD.
 - (b) Arrival at blocking positions and objectives.
 - (c) Arrival at Phase Lines.
 - (d) Spot Reports on enemy contact.
- (8) Fire Support - See Annex E (Fire Support).
- (9) Unclassified code name for this operation is WAR BONNET.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

a. Supply.

- (1) General. Battalion Supply is the initial source for all classes of supply. Resupply will be upon request through Battalion S-4 with the command group.
- (2) Prescribed Load.
 - (a) Class I - Two (2) MCI's with fuel per individual. One (1) day ration per individual will be carried with the command group.
 - (b) Class II - Normal arms and equipment. Resupply is not anticipated.
 - (c) Class III - Vehicle fuel tanks will be full upon departure. Vehicle commanders will watch their fuel carefully and inform S-4 when their fuel load nears the point of preventing their return to the LD. Five (5) gallon fuel cans will be full and mounted on vehicles; two (2) days of special oils and lubricants will be carried. Resupply only in an emergency.

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- (d) Class IV - Riot control agents will be drawn before departure; ten (10) gas masks per search companies. Smoke machines will be carried by searching companies. No fortification gear is to be carried, however, it may be requested if needed.
- (e) Class V - Basic allowance for all weapons will be carried. An emphasis will be placed on demolitions. Resupply will be requested as needed.
- (f) Medical Supplies - Initial allowance plus two (2) days high usage items. These will be loaded into an LVT which will also be used as a mobile aid station.
- (g) Water - Two (2) full canteens per man. Resupply of water will be loaded in the LVT's and units will be resupplied upon request.

b. Evacuation and Hospitalization.

(1) Evacuation.

- (a) Commanders may evacuate casualties to the mobile aid station or to Company C, 3d Medical Battalion as the seriousness of the case may direct.
- (b) Individual weapons and organizational equipment will be evacuated with casualties; this will be noted on the casualty card. Crew served weapons and M-79's will not be evacuated with the casualty.
- (c) Injured VCC/VCS and indigenous civilian personnel will be evacuated to Company C, 3d Medical Battalion for emergency life saving surgery only.

(2) Hospitalization. As directed by the attending physician.

c. Transportation.

- (1) Transportation to the assembly area (vicinity of Marble Mountain) will be provided by wheeled vehicles on the morning of the operation. Requirements for transportation that have not been submitted will be submitted to the S-4 upon receipt of this order.
- (2) Transportation to the objective area will be by foot, wheeled and tactical vehicles, and helicopters.

d. Personnel

- (1) Casualty reporting will be made at the earliest possible opportunity. The casualty's initials (last, followed by first and middle initial) will be given preceding the last four digits of the serial number. Promptness and proper techniques in these incidents can not be over-emphasized.

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- (2) Grave Registration. KIA's will be evacuated through medical evacuation prescribed in paragraph 4.b.
- c. Captured Personnel and Documents. In accordance with CG, 3d Marine Division message 190846Z October 1965 and Division Order P3800.1E
- f. Miscellaneous.
 - (1) Uniform - Utilities, helmets, entrenching tool for every second individual and light marching packs.
 - (2) Captured material that cannot be evacuated will be destroyed only with the authority of the CG, 3rd Marine Division.
 - (3) Resupply items will be loaded on the LVT's the day prior to the operation.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

a. Annex D (Communications)

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ANNEXES:

- A - Task Organization
- B - Intelligence
- C - Operation Overlay
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Annex A (Task Organization) to Operation Order 324-65

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LtCol W. F. DONAHUE

H&S Co (-)

Capt R. DRIVER

Det H&S Co (-)

Det Med Plt

Det Comm Plt

1 Sec 81mm Mort Plt 2/9

1 Sec 81mm Mort Plt 3/3

Flame Sec (-)

ALO

2/12 LnO

2/12 NGF Sp Tm

Co E (Rein)

Capt W. A. COTI

Co E

FO Tm, 2/12

Det, H&S Co (-)

FO Tm 81mm Mort Plt

FAC Tm

Det Med Plt

Det Comm Plt

Co H (Rein)

Capt L. W. SULLIVAN

Co H

FO Tm, 2/12

Det, H&S Co (-)

FO Tm, 81mm Mort Plt

Det, Med Plt

Det, Comm Plt

FAC Tm

Co K (Rein) 3/3

Capt R. RAMSEY

Co K

FO Tm, 2/12

Det, H&S Co, 3/3

FO Tm, 81mm Mort Plt

FAC Tm

Det, Med Plt

Det, Comm Plt

Co L (Rein) 3/9

Capt D. D. COLCOMBE

Co L

FO Tm, 2/12

Det, H&S Co, 3/9

Sec 81mm Mort Plt

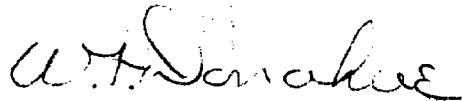
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FAC Tm
Det, Med Plt
Det, Comm Plt

Co B (Rein) 1/9

Co B
FO Tm, 2/12
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Annex B (Intelligence) to Operations Order 324-65

Ref: (a) Map: INDOCHINA, 1:50,000 M S Series L701, Sheet 6658I
 (b) Div OpPlan 355-65
 (c) Bn Bul 3800.1F
 (d) Force Bulletin 1060 dated 31 Aug 65

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1. SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION

a. Intelligence information received by this headquarters include reports of the following VC units in the area bounded by BT 1265 - 0963 - 0958 - 1657 - 1959.

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>STRENGTH</u>	<u>LAST REPORTED LOCATION</u>
U/I	164	BT 110635 - BT 132612 16 Nov
U/I	UNK	BT 1059 and BT 1158 17 Nov
101st Bn.	UNK	BT 1063 and BT 1163 13 Nov
U/I Guerrilla Co.	100	BT 0665 Continuous
101st Co.	UNK	BT 1459 24 Nov

b. A VC training camp of unknown capacity has been reported located at BT 132613.

c. It is estimated that one MF company plus at least one company of guerrillas operate in the above area. In all probability the elements of these units are dispersed throughout the area rather than concentrated.

d. See current Intelligence estimates as issued.

e. See current Intelligence summaries and special reports as issued.

2. CHARACTERISTICS OF THE AREA OF OPERATION

a. Weather. See daily forecasts as issued.

b. Astronomical and Tidal Data.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>TIDAL HT (Ft)</u>	<u>SUNRISE</u>	<u>SUNSET</u>
1	0401	3.8	0715	1826
	1050	2.7		
	1846	3.8		
2	0003	3.3	0715	1826
	0529	3.5		
	1101	2.9		
	1904	4.0		

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3	0154 0743 1104 1932	2.9 3.2 3.0 4.4	0716	1827
4	0305 2009	2.4 4.7	0716	1828
5	0400 2050	2.1 5.0	0716	1828
6	0453 2136	1.7 5.3	0717	1829
7	0542 2224	1.4 5.5	0717	1830
8	0631 2313	1.4 5.6	0717	1830
9	0719	1.4	0717	1831
10	0003 0805	5.5 1.5	0718	1831

c. Terrain.

- (1) Streams will be flooded and paddies and surrounding areas will likely be inundated.
- (2) Trails and foot paths across paddies have maximum width of 8 - 10 Ft. and most likely flooded.
- (3) River depth and current speed cannot be determined. The three rivers will be generally slow and sluggish, typical of all meandering coastal flood plain drainage systems.
- (4) Flooded paddies flanking the river may restrict LVT's to the main river channels. Levees supporting Route 14 centered at BT 179589 and BT 182588 will channelize traffic. The scattered fishing weirs and the sandbar across Song De Vong, BT 182588, will impede sampan traffic.

3. ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF INFORMATION

- a. Determine if the enemy will defend; if so when, where, and in what strength.
- b. Determine if the enemy will reinforce in the area of operations; if so who, when, where, how, and with what forces.
- c. Determine if the enemy will counterattack; if so who, when, where, and in what strength.

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- d. Determine what defences the enemy will employ in and around the hamlets, (Special attention to their employment of automatic weapons and supporting arms, weak points/strong points in this defensive system, secret exits, hiding places for personnel, and material, and tunnel patterns).
- e. Determine if the enemy will incite or coerce the local populace into mass demonstrations or mob actions against our units; is so who, when, and in what strength.
- f. Additional Intelligence Requirements.
 - (1) Confirm the size, identification, and type of VC units that normally operate in the objective area.
 - (2) How are VC units in the area of operations normally resupplied?
 - (3) What is the nature of VC camps, training centers, storage areas, etc., located in the area? What is the purpose for these installations?
 - (4) Are there any indications of captured U. S. personnel having been in the area of operations? Location? Exploitation?
 - (5) Is there evidence of PAVN, CHICCM or other foreign advisors operating in the area?
 - (6) What are the road and bridge conditions and capacities in the area of operations?

4. RECONNAISSANCE AND OBSERVATION MISSIONS.

a. Orders to Subordinate units.

- (1) All Units. Report as obtained information answering any Intelligence Requirements with respect to EEI's.
- (2) Submit information as obtained to S-2 by most expeditious means and laterally to units with immediate concern.
- (3) Submit and report in accordance with SPOT REPORT.

b. Coordinating instructions.

- (1) Make maximum effort to take enemy prisoners and forward to the Battalion Collection Point with any accompanying documents and/or equipment for intelligence exploitation.
- (2) Submit by FLASH message first sightings or indication of:
 - (a) Enemy artillery, heavy mortars or other heavy caliber weapons.

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(b) Enemy Company size or larger units within area of operation, (Include location and direction of movement, size unit, type and color of uniforms, equipment, weapons, and whether or not unit can be kept under observation).

5. MEASURES FOR HANDLING PRISONERS, CAPTURED DOCUMENTS, AND CAPTURED MATERIAL.

a. See reference (a) and (d).

b. Captured Personnel.

(1) The term "prisoner of war" will not be used in connection with captives taken in counterguerrilla operations against the Viet Cong since the Viet Cong are not foreign nationals, and this is not a declared war. For operations in Vietnam, the term "captive" will be used in reference to all prisoners taken by this unit.

c. Handling Captives.

(1) All captives taken by this unit will be accorded firm, just, humane treatment at all times in accordance with the law of land warfare as derived from custom and treaties, such as the Geneva Conventions. While the Viet Cong cannot be termed "prisoners of war" as defined by Article 4, Geneva Convention Relative to Treatment of Prisoners of War, 1949, they will be treated humanely in the manner prescribed therein.

(2) Normal procedures in processing "prisoners of war" apply to the processing of captives taken in counterguerrilla operations in Vietnam. Extreme care must be taken to ensure that friendly or potentially friendly civilians taken captive are not subject to any treatment that might engender a hostile attitude on their part toward this unit.

(3) Handling of captives will be firm at all times, but will not involve force beyond that necessary to defend against or subdue resisting Viet Cong Captives or Viet Cong Suspects. Captives will be led firmly, but gently when blindfolded. Special care must be exercised in the handling of captives who are blindfolded and tied when being moved or transported to or from aircraft or vehicles. These captives are helpless and must be assisted to prevent injury.

(4) Viet Cong Captives and Viet Cong Suspects will be bound in such a manner as to ensure they cannot escape or harm either their captors, guards, interrogators or other captives. Bindings will ensure security but will not be such as to cut off blood circulation, cut, injure or otherwise cause pain. Captives will not be trussed in any way that is, could be, or may be mistaken to be, tortuous.

(5) All captives will be searched, segregated, tagged and evacuated through the intelligence chain as expeditiously as possible. Innocent civilians will be separated from VCC/VCS as expeditiously as possible.

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- d. ID Cards and personnel belongings will be left on individual.
- e. "Captives" will be turned over to Bn S-2 mobile collection point as directed.

6. MAPS AND PHOTOGRAPHS

- a. Reference (a)
- b. Aerial photography will be provided when available.

7. COUNTERINTELLIGENCE

- a. Classified material will not be taken forward of the Battalion Command Post except when essential for the conduct of operations. In such cases, only extracts of necessary information from classified documents shall be used.
- b. Upon displacement, command posts will be thoroughly policed to ensure that nothing of intelligence value is left behind.

8. REPORTS AND DISTRIBUTION

- a. Spot intelligence reports will be submitted to this headquarters (S-2) when incidents occur. Answer what, where, when, and action taken.
- b. Submit all information of possible intelligence value.



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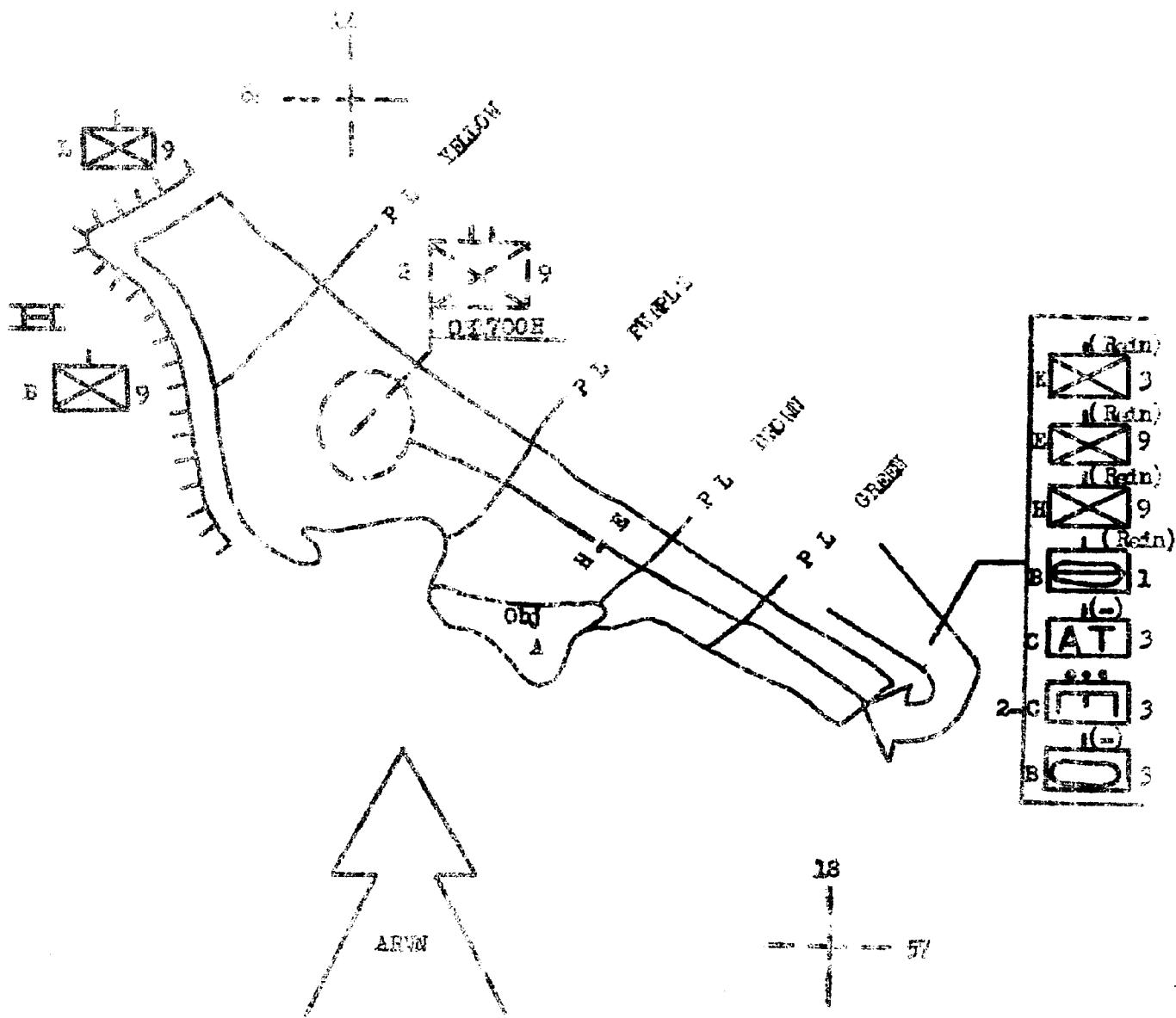
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Annex D (Communication-Electronics) to Operation Order 324-65

Ref: (a) Div Order 02000.2C
(b) 2d Battalion, 9th Marines Op C 321A-65

Time Zone: H

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces.

- (1) Annex B (Intelligence) to Operation Order 324-65.
- (2) Active enemy counter measures are possible.

b. Friendly Forces.

- (1) Annex A (Task Organization) to Operation Order 324-65.
- (2) Command Posts.
 - (a) 9th Marines - AT 995724
 - (b) 2d Battalion, 9th Marines - AT 992677
 - (c) All units report when established.

2. MISSION

Communication elements establish, operate, and maintain communications to support operation.

3. EXECUTION

a. Communications Platoon.

- (1) Install, maintain, and operate the necessary equipment in both LVTG's used by the command group.
- (2) Be prepared to install wire lines to subordinate units on order.

b. 81mm Mort Plat. Install one AN/PRC-10 in the LVTG assigned and maintain and operate the mortar conduct of fire net.

c. 2nd Bn, 12th Mar. Install one URG-21 and AN/PRC-9 in the LVTG assigned and maintain artillery Conduct of Fire communications.

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- d. Co B, 1st Bn, 9th Mar. Enter both Battalion Tac Nets at H-Hour.
- e. Co L, 3d Bn, 9th Mar. Enter both Battalion Tac Nets at H-Hour.
- f. Co K, 3d Bn, 3d Mar. Enter the Battalion Tac Net #2 at H-Hour and enter Battalion Tac Net #1 as required.
- g. ARVN Liaison Officer. Enter the Battalion Tac Net at H-Hour.
- h. B Co, 3d Tank Bn. Enter the Battalion Tac Net #2 at H-Hour and operate necessary internal communications.
- i. B Co, 1st Antrac Bn. Enter the Battalion Tac Net #2 at H-Hour and operate necessary internal communications.
- j. C Co, 3d AT Bn. Enter the Battalion Tac Net #2 at H-Hour and operate necessary internal communications.
- k. 1st Amph Hw Plt. Enter the Battalion Tac Net #2 at H-Hour and operate necessary Conduct of Fire communications.
- l. Coordinating Instructions.
 - (1) References (a) and (b).
 - (2) Messenger. Rifle companies maintain 2 messengers with the battalion command group on order.
 - (3) Report location of abandoned or captured enemy communication equipment by PRIORITY message.
 - (4) Signals and Pyrotechnics. Reference (b).
 - (5) Report loss or destruction of communication equipment by PRIORITY message.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

- a. See Operation Order 324-65.
- b. Replacement pool of portable radio equipment will be available at the permanent battalion command post.

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Appendix 1 (Radio Frequency Plan) to Annex D (Communications) to
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UNIT	Regt Cmd Net	Regt TAC #2	Bn TAC #1	Bn TAC #2	TAR	DAO	TACP Local	2/9 81's Co F	Arty CQF	NGF Spot Net	E-2/9 TAC Net	H-2/9 TAC Net	B-1/9 TAC Net	L-2/9 TAC Net	K-3/3 TAC Net	TAD	LZ Control	Co B, Tanks Cmd Net	Co B, AmTrac Cmd Net	Co C, AT's Cmd Net	Co C, AT's TAC Net	LVTH CQF Net
2d Bn, 9th Mar	X	X	X	X	*	X	X	X								*	*					X
Co E, 2/9				X					X							*	*					
Co H, 2/9				X						X						*	*					
Co B, 1/9			X	X							X					*						
Co L, 3/9		X	X									X				*						
Co K, 3/3		*	X										X			X						
Co B, 1st AmTrac Bn			X														X					
Co E, 3d Tank Bn			X														X					
Co C, 3d AT Bn			X															X	X			
ARVN Advisors			X																			
NGF Spot Team										X												
Arty Btry's									X													
1st Amph Tow Plt				X				X														X

X - Guard

* - Enter as required

O - Monitor

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Appendix 2 (Radio Call Signs) to Annex D (Communication-Electronics)
 to Operation Order 324-65

Ref: (a) Div Order 02000.2C
 (b) 2d Battalion, 9th Marines Op O 321A-65

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<u>UNIT</u>	<u>CALL SIGN</u>
9th Marines	PEEPSIGHT
2d Bn, 9th Marines	PARKGREEN
1st Bn, 9th Marines	REDWOOD
3d Bn, 9th Marines	POLISH
3d En, 3d Marines	WAREHOUSE
3d Tank Bn	SHARPSHOOTER
3d AT Bn	MORBID
1st Amtrac Bn	SLAVEBORN
1st Amph How Plt	SLAVEBORN HOTEL
2d Bn, 12th Marines	SUNRISE
Air Observer	ROSEMONT
USS Sperry	REAR GUARD
USS Ellison	RIOT ACT

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Appendix 3 (Radio Frequencies) to Annex D (Communication-Electronics)
 to Operation Order 324-65

Ref: (a) Div Order 02000.2C
 (b) 2d Battalion, 9th Marines Op O 321A-65

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<u>UNIT</u>	<u>FREQUENCIES</u>
9th Mar Regt Tac #2	P 5050 S 9426
2-9 Bn Tac #1	5950
2-9 Bn Tac #2	46.2
2-9 81mm Mortar COF	39.9
E-2-9 Tac	51.6
H-2-9 Tac	53.0
B-1-9 Tac	49.6
L-3-9 Tac	50.8
K-3-3 Tac	52.4
TAR Net #1	P 7995 S 2196
DAO Net	40.7
2-9 TACP Local	53.8
LZ Control	49.8
TAD #1 (Red)	312.0
TAD #2 (Green)	325.0
TAD #3 (Purple)	285.8
TAD #4 (Violet)	318.5
TAD #5 (Yellow)	269.5
B Co, 3d Tank Bn, Cmd Net	25.6
B Co, 1st Amtrac Bn, Cmd Net	43.0
C Co, 3d AT Bn, Cmd Net	23.8
C Co, 3d AT Bn, Tac Net	51.8
1st Amph How Plt Cmd/COF Net	36.2
Arty COF	37.4
NGF Spot Net #1	4301
NGF Spot Net #2	5120
NGF Spot Net #3	3224

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Annex E (Fire Support Plan) to Operation Order 324-65

1. SITUATION

- a. Enemy Forces. Annex B (Intelligence)
- b. Friendly Forces. Operation Order 324-65

2. MISSION

To support operations to search and destroy enemy forces in coastal area from (BT 123634) to (BT 183589) and bounded by Song Ha Xau, Song Hiep and Song De Vong Rivers on the west.

3. EXECUTION

- a. 81mm Mortar Platoon (Rein).
 - (1) Two (2) Sections 81 Mortar Platoon (Rein), in general support of assaulting elements.
 - (2) One (1) Section 81 Mortar Platoon (Rein) attached to each blocking unit.
 - (3) All 81 Mortar Sections remain on this units conduct of fire net.
 - (4) 81 Mortar fires approved through this units FSCC.
- b. Artillery.
 - (1) 2d Bn, 12th Marines. Direct support, 9th Marines
 - (2) Artillery net remains activated.
 - (3) Artillery Liaison Officer will assist in fire support coordination as required.
 - (4) All artillery fires in this units area will be approved through 2d Bn, 9th Marines FSCC.
- c. Air.
 - (1) Medical evacuation helos on 10 minute standby and will monitor LZ control net.

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- (2) Resupply helicopters will be on 15 minute standby.
- (3) Close Air support is on strip alert.
- (4) Observation aircraft will be on station.
- (5) Flare planes on 30 minute standby unless otherwise requested.
- (6) Air not TAD red and TAR # 1 and DAO will be activated as required during operations.
- (7) Air Liaison Officer will assist in fire support coordination as required.

d. Naval Gunfire.

- (1) Support will be provided by USS SPERRY, during daylight hours, and by USS ELLISON, during hours of darkness.
- (2) Ships will be at anchor in FSA # 1 (GS 2160).
- (3) Clearance of fire missions will be from Task Force Commander and 2d Bn, 9th Marines FSCC.
- (4) Spot and Liaison Team will be provided by 2d Bn, 12th Marines and will be with 2d Bn, 9th Marines command group.

e. Platoon LVTH.

- (1) Direct support of 2d Bn, 9th Marines.
- (2) Come up on LVTH conduct of fire net.
- (3) Be prepared to provide direct and indirect fire support as required.
- (4) All indirect fire missions will be cleared through this units FSCC.
- (5) Requests for indirect fire missions will be sent from FSCC via the LVTH conduct or fire net.
- (6) No survey capability will be provided.

f. Coordinating Instructions.

- (1) FSCC, 2d Bn, 9th Marines will recommend and coordinate all fires in 2d Bn, 9th Marines sector of operation.
- (2) No fire line. Not established.

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- (3) Bomb Line. Not established.
- (4) All fire missions will be fired on approval of CO, 2d Bn, 9th Marines.
- (5) Restricted Targets.
 - (a) Every effort will be made to preserve religious, medical, public utilities, cultural areas and non-military structures.
 - (b) Fires in heavily populated areas will be kept to a minimum.
 - (c) Restrictive fire plan. Annex D, 9th Marines Operation Order 355-65.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

- a. Operation Order 324-65

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- b. All artillery forward observers will be on Frequency D-177.



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CO, 12th Marines	2
CO, 2d Bn, 12th Marines	2
CO, 3d Bn, 3d Marines	2
CO, 3d Bn, 9th Marines	2
CO, 1st Bn, 9th Marines	2
CO, Co L, 3d Bn, 9th Marines	4
CO, Co B, 1st Bn, 9th Marines	4
CO, Co K, 3d Bn, 3d Marines	4
CO, 3d Engr Bn	3
CO, Co C, 3d Engr Bn	3
CO, Co B, 3d AT Bn	3
CO, Co B, 3d Tank Bn	3
CO, Co B, 1st Artrac Bn	6
CO, Co B, 9th MT Bn	3

INTERNAL

CO	1
XO	1
S-3	5
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 (b) Map: VIETNAM, 1:50,000, AMS Series L701, Sheet 6658 IV and
 6659 III

Time Zone: H

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces. See current INTSUMS.

b. Friendly Forces.

- (1) 2/12 provide support for mobile forces with preplanned concentrations.
- (2) 1st MAW provides air lift of required personnel and equipment and provides CAS.
- (3) Vietnamese Navy patrols with gun-boats on the Song Cau Do River to deny its use by the VC.

c. Attachments and Detachments. No change.

d. Assumptions.

(1) Background.

- (a) That VC armed with 57mm and 75mm RR have capability of employing their weapons in an indirect fire mission to vital targets within the Da Nang TACR from firing positions located within the 2d Bn, 9th Marines sector.
- (b) The 7,000 meter range of these weapons will allow them to be fired anywhere North of 67 horizontal grid line with a certain amount of assurity of causing damage on Da Nang Air Field, Marble Mountain Air Facility, and ASP no. 1.
- (c) Due to the fact that the Da Nang Air Field runways, taxi, and parking aprons are oriented on a North-South axis, weapons fired from the left (East) portion of this zone would be firing down the long axis of the target thereby taking maximum advantage of range dispersion.

(2) Terrain.

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- (a) The entire area of responsibility consists of flat lowlands dotted with hamlets and villages surrounded by large expanses of rice paddies. The entire area is intersected with unfordable rivers and streams.
- (b) The only areas within this zone from which long range observation can be gained is along the MSR's (railroad bed and Highway #1) which divide the area. Here the observation is limited to the extent of the rice paddies on each side of the MSR's.
- (c) The many hamlets and villages are a bar to any long range observation as are the many bamboo groves and hedge rows.
- (d) The streams, rivers, and rice paddies form an effective obstacle and barrier to all traffic including foot movement.

(3) Firing Positions.

- (a) Although the rice paddies would expose a weapon to rapid detection when fired; the paddy dikes would provide a ready made firing platform for recoilless rifles in that the muzzle can be raised to the elevation required and the backblast would be harmlessly dissipated in the paddy. A few rounds could be quickly fired from the dikes and the weapon rapidly broken down and moved along the dikes to the hamlets or other places of concealment prior to the effective employment of artillery or supporting mortar fires and prior to the arrival of friendly troops across the rice paddy obstacles.
- (b) Weapons can be fired from within hamlets and then moved quickly to concealment.
- (c) Weapons can be transported by boat to secluded areas along the stream and river banks and fired and moved in minimum elapsed time and, under certain conditions fired from the boat itself.
- (d) In a minimum amount of time a hasty firing position could be erected in any of the many bamboo groves and hedge groves which would be adequate for the mission.

2. MISSION

2d Battalion, 9th Marines, in assigned sector, provide continuous defense against VC capability of directing indirect recoilless rifle and mortar fire within 7000 meters of Da Nang Air Base, ASP No. 1, and Marble Mountain Air Facility.

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3. EXECUTION

- a. Concept of Operations. 2d Bn, 9th Marines conducts aggressive saturation, day & night patrols in assigned sector of TAGR to maintain surveillance and deny VC movement. All personnel will be informed of the enemy capability and instructed to report by "ELASH" precedence to the next higher commander by fastest means available, the presence and location of any of these weapons. Planned concentrations will be in accordance with Annex B (Possible Firing Positions and Pre-Planned Concentration Overlay). These concentrations will be used as a reference for adjustment if the target is not located within a planned concentration.
- b. Co E (Rain).
 - (1) Continue to defend assigned sector and conduct aggressive patrols to seek and destroy enemy.
 - (2) On order, dispatch mobile force by most direct route to VC recoilless rifle/mortar position to attack and destroy or capture enemy crew and weapon.
- c. Co F (Rain)
 - (1) Continue to defend assigned sector and conduct aggressive patrols to seek and destroy enemy.
 - (2) On order, dispatch mobile force by most direct route to VC recoilless rifle/mortar position to attack and destroy or capture enemy crew and weapon.
- d. Co G (Rain).
 - (1) Continue to defend assigned sector and conduct aggressive patrols to seek and destroy enemy.
 - (2) On order, dispatch mobile force by most direct route to VC recoilless rifle/mortar position to attack and destroy or capture enemy crew and weapon.
- e. Co H (Rain).
 - (1) Continue to defend assigned sector and conduct aggressive patrols to seek and destroy enemy.
 - (2) On order, dispatch mobile force by most direct route to VC recoilless rifle/mortar position to attack and destroy or capture enemy crew and weapon.

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f. 106mm RR Plt.

(1) General support.

g. 81mm Mort Plt.

(1) On order support mobile forces with pre-planned concentrations.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

a. Supply. Normal supply procedures applicable.b. Control and Distribution. Normal control and distribution procedures applicable.c. Evacuation and Hospitalization. Helicopter evacuation to 3d Medical Battalion.d. Transportation. To be designated.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS

a. Command Posts.

(1) 2/9 - AT 992677

(2) Co E - BT 041724

(3) Co F - AT 983661

(4) Co G - BT 024659

(5) Co H - AT 992677

b. Radio. Utilize normal frequencies and call signs.c. Wire. Maximum use made of wire communication.*W. F. Donahue*

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A - Task Organization

B - Possible Firing Positions and Pre-Planned Concentration Overlay

C - Distribution

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 DANANG, RVN
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Annex A (Task Organization) to Operation Plan 323-65

Time Zone: H

2d Bn, 9th Mar

LtCol W. F. DONAHUE

H&S Co (-)

Det H&S Co (-)
 Det Med Plt
 Det Comm Plt
 Det 106 RR Plt
 Det, Btry E, 2/12

Capt R. DRIVER

Co E (Rein)

Co E
 FO Tm, Btry E, 2/12
 Det, H&S Co (-)
 FO Tm, 81mm Mort Plt
 Det, Med Plt

Capt W. A. COTTI

Co F (Rein)

Co F
 FO Tm, Btry E, 2/12
 Det, H&S Co (-)
 FAC Tm
 FO Tm, 81mm Mort Plt
 Det, Med Plt

Capt C. A. RECKWELL

Co G (Rein)

Co G
 FO Tm, Btry E, 2/12
 Det, H&S Co (-)
 FAC Tm, 81mm Mort
 FO Tm, 81mm Mort Plt
 Det, Med Plt

Capt R. L. LAWRENCE

Co H (Rein)

Co H
 FO Tm, Btry E, 2/12
 Det, H&S Co (-)
 FO Tm, 81mm Mort Plt
 Det, Med Plt

Capt L. W. SULLIVAN

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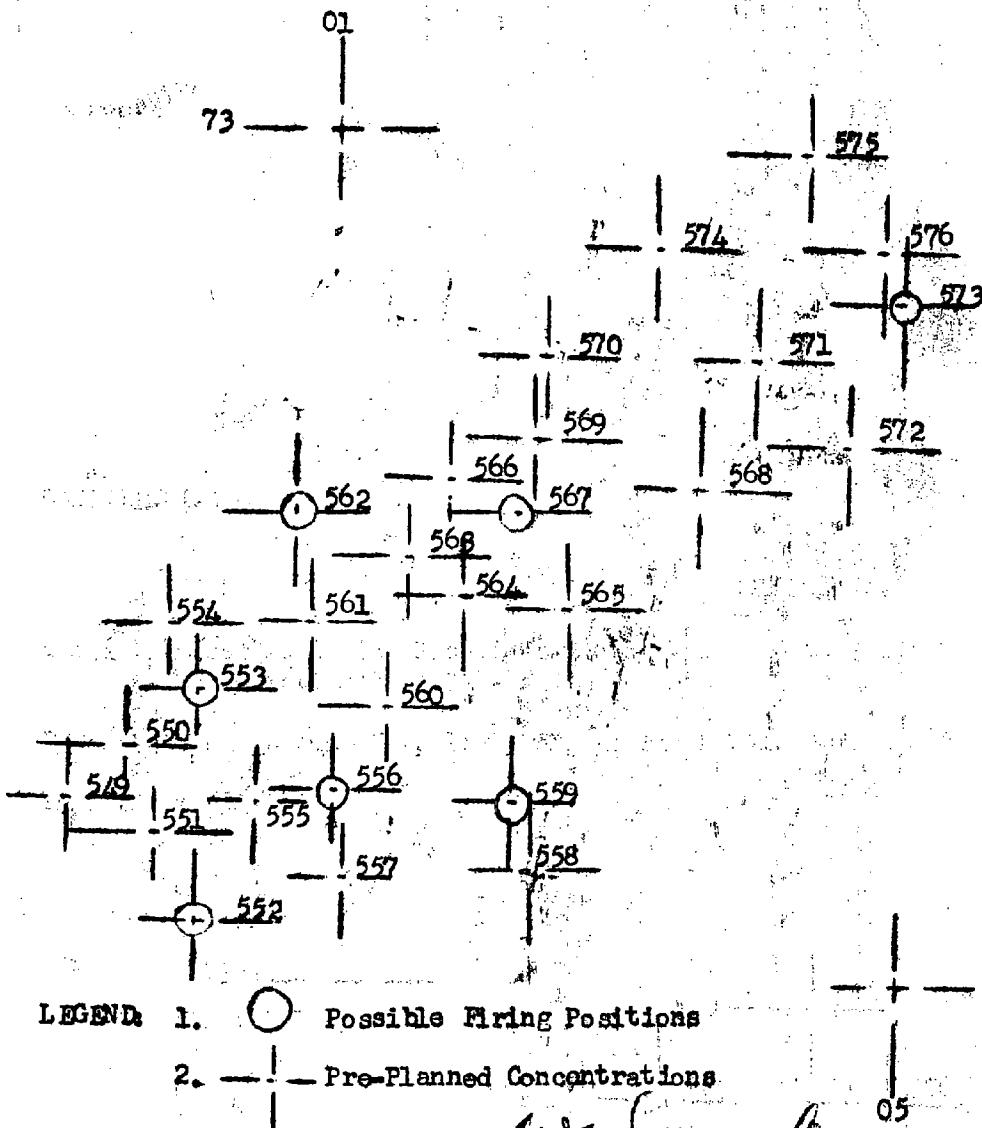
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DANANG, RVN
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Annex B (Possible Firing Positions and Pre-Planned Concentrations Overlay)
to Operation Plan 325-65

Ref: (a) Map, INDOCHINA, 1:50,000, Series L 701, Sheets 6658 IV & 6659 III

Time Zone: H



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Time Zone: H

EXTERNAL

CG, 3d MAF	4
CG, 3d Mar Div	4
CG, 1st MAW	2
CO, 9th Mar	5
CO, 3d Mar	2
CO, 12th Mar	2
CO, 2d Bn, 12th Mar	2
CO, 3d Engr Bn	2
CO, 3d AT Bn	2
CO, 3d Tank Bn	2

INTERNAL

CO	1
XO	1
S-3	5
S-4	1
S-2	1
S-1	1
SupC	1
MTO	1
MedO	1
CommO	2
Co E	2
Co F	2
Co G	2
Co H	2
H&S Co	4
File	10

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3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
c/o FPO, San Francisco, California 96601

1/HEW/jew
1080
1 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer

To: Commanding Officer, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF

Subj: Personnel Daily Summary Report No. 112;

1. The below information is submitted as of 2400, 22 Nov 1965.

ORGANIZATION	On Board Strength				Losses Since Last Report							
	USMC	U.S.	Off	Enl	Off	Enl	KIA	WIA	DOW	CPRT	NBC	TOTAL
HqCo												
TOTAL												
H&S Co 1/9												
"A" Co 1/9												
"B" Co 1/9												
"C" Co 1/9												
"D" Co 1/9												
TOTAL												
H&S Co 2/9	23	313	3	56								
"E" Co 2/9	4	159										
"F" Co 2/9	5	169										
"G" Co 2/9	5	161										
"H" Co 2/9	5	170										
TOTAL	37	1002	3	56								
H&S Co 3/9												
"I" Co 2/9												
"K" Co 3/9												
"L" Co 3/9												
TOTAL												

REMARKS: *(i.e. explain Non-Battle injuries, deaths and significant losses)

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By direction

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HEADQUARTERS

2d Battalion, 9th Marines
 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
 c/o FPO, San Francisco, California 96601

1/HBW/jew
 1080
 2 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer
 To: Commanding Officer, 3d Marine Division (Rein) (Attn: D-1)
 Subj: Personnel Daily Summary Report No. 144;
 1. The below information is submitted as of 2400, 3 Dec 1965.

ORGANIZATION	On Board Strength				Losses Since Last Report							
	USMC	U.S. ARMY	Off	Enl	Off	Enl	KIA	WIA	DOW	CPRT	NBC	TOTAL
HqCo												
TOTAL												
H&S Co 1/9												
"A" Co 1/9												
"B" Co 1/9												
"C" Co 1/9												
"D" Co 1/9												
TOTAL												
H&S Co 2/9	12	315	3	56								
"E" Co 2/9	4	152										
"F" Co 2/9	5	167										
"G" Co 2/9	5	163										
"H" Co 2/9	5	170										
TOTAL	37	1024	3	56								
H&S Co 3/9												
"I" Co 3/9												
"K" Co 3/9												
"L" Co 3/9												
"M" Co 3/9												
TOTAL												

REMARKS: *(i.e. explain Non-Battle injuries, deaths and significant losses)

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2d Battalion, 3d Marines

3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
c/o FPO, San Francisco, California 96601.1/1965
2 Dec 1965From: Commanding Officer 3d Marines (Attn: S-1)
To:

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Subj: Personnel Daily Summary Report No. _____; 2 Dec 1965

1. The below information is submitted as of 2400, _____

ORGANIZATION	On Board Strength				Losses Since Last Report				TOTAL		
	USC	Off	USM	Enl	Off	Enl	KL	WIA	DCW	CFRT	NBC
HqCo											
TOTAL											
H&S Co 1/9											
"A" Co 1/9											
"B" Co 1/9											
"C" Co 1/9											
"D" Co 1/9											
TOTAL	79	340		3	56						
H&S Co 2/9	4	159									
"E" Co 2/9	5	167									
"F" Co 2/9	5	163									
"G" Co 2/9	5	170									
"H" Co 2/9	38	999		3	56						
TOTAL											
H&S Co 3/9											
"I" Co 3/9											
"K" Co 3/9											
"L" Co 3/9											
"M" Co 3/9											
TOTAL											

REMARKS: *(i.e. explain Non-Battle injuries, deaths and significant losses)

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HEADQUARTERS
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 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
 c/o FPO, San Francisco, California 96601

1/HBW/jew
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 4 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer
 To: Commanding Officer, 2d Marines (Attn: S-1)

Subj: Personnel Daily Summary Report No. 146;

1. The below information is submitted as of 2400, 3 Dec 1965.

ORGANIZATION	On Board Strength				Losses Since Last Report				TOTAL
	USMC	USMC	USN	USN	KIA	WIA	DOW	CPRT	
Hq Co									
<u>TOTAL</u>									
H&S Co 1/9									
"A" Co 1/9									
"B" Co 1/9									
"C" Co 1/9									
"D" Co 1/9									
<u>TOTAL</u>									
H&S Co 2/9	19	339	3	56					
"E" Co 2/9	4	156							
"F" Co 2/9	5	166							
"G" Co 2/9	5	163							
"H" Co 2/9	5	169							
<u>TOTAL</u>	38	993	3	56					
H&S Co 3/9									
"I" Co 3/9									
"K" Co 3/9									
"L" Co 3/9									
"M" Co 3/9									
<u>TOTAL</u>									

REMARKS: *(i.e. explain Non-Battle injuries, deaths and significant losses)

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 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
 FPO, San Francisco, California, 96601

1/HBW/jmw
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5 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer
 To: Commanding Officer, 9th Marines (Attn: S-1)
 Subj: Personnel Daily Summary Report No. 147.

1. The below information is submitted as of 2400, 4 Dec 1965.

ORGANIZATION	On Board Strength				Losses Since Last Report					
	USMC		USN		KIA	VIA	DW	CPRT	NBC	TOTAL
OFF	Enl	Off	Enl							
H&S Co 1/9										
"A" Co 1/9										
"B" Co 1/9										
"C" Co 1/9										
"D" Co 1/9										
TOTAL										
H&S Co 2/9	19	338	2	56						
"E" Co 2/9	4	157								
"F" Co 2/9	5	167								
"G" Co 2/9	5	165								
"H" Co 2/9	5	168								
TOTAL	38	995	2	56						
H&S Co 3/9										
"I" Co 3/9										
"K" Co 3/9										
"L" Co 3/9										
"M" Co 3/9										
TOTAL										

REMARKS: *(i. e. explain Non-Battle injuries, deaths and significant Losses)

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1080
6 Dec 1965From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 9th Marines (Attn: S-2)Subj: Personnel Daily Summary Report No. 143;1. The below information is submitted as of 2400, 5 Dec 1965.

ORGANIZATION	On Board Strength				Losses Since Last Report							
	USMC	USN	Off	Enl	Off	Enl	KIA	WIA	DOW	CPRT	NBC	TOTAL
HqCo												
TOTAL												
H&S Co 1/9												
"A" Co 1/9												
"B" Co 1/9												
"C" Co 1/9												
"D" Co 1/9												
TOTAL												
H&S Co 2/9	17	331	2	55								
"E" Co 2/9	4	150										
"F" Co 2/9	5	167										
"G" Co 2/9	2	104										
"H" Co 2/9	5	153										
TOTAL	38	957	2	55								
H&S Co 3/9												
"I" Co 3/9												
"J" Co 3/9												
"L" Co 3/9												
"M" Co 3/9												
TOTAL												

REMARKS: *(i.e. explain Non-Battle injuries, deaths and significant losses)

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by direction

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2d Battalion, 9th Marines
 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
 c/o FPO, San Francisco, California 96601

1/HBW/jew
 1080

7 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer
 To: Commanding Officer, 9th Marines (Attn: S-1)

Subj: Personnel Daily Summary Report No. 142;

1. The below information is submitted as of 2400, 6 Dec 1965.

ORGANIZATION	On Board Strength		Losses Since Last Report				CPRT	NBC	TOTAL
	USMC	USN	Off	Enl	Off	Enl			
HqCo									
TOTAL									
H&S Co 1/9									
"A" Co 1/9									
"B" Co 1/9									
"C" Co 1/9									
"D" Co 1/9									
TOTAL									
H&S Co 2/9	19	337	2	55					
"E" Co 2/9	3	153							
"F" Co 2/9	5	166							
"G" Co 2/9	5	164							
"H" Co 2/9	5	162							
TOTAL	37	930	2	55					
H&S Co 3/9									
"I" Co 3/9									
"J" Co 3/9									
"L" Co 3/9									
"M" Co 3/9									
TOTAL									

REMARKS: *(i.e. explain Non-Battle injuries, deaths and significant losses)

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 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
 FPO, San Francisco, California, 96601

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 8 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer
 To: Commanding Officer, 3d Battalion (Rein) (R-2)

Subj: Personnel Daily Summary Report No. 150.

1. The below information is submitted as of 2400, 7 Dec 1965.

ORGANIZATION	On Board Strength				Losses Since Last Report					
	USMC	USN	USMC	USN	KIA	WIA	DNW	OPR	NBC	DTL
HQ Co										
TOTAL										
"A" Co 1/9										
"B" Co 1/9										
"C" Co 1/9										
"D" Co 1/9										
TOTAL										
"E" Co 2/9	10	332	2	55						
"F" Co 2/9	3	150							2	
"G" Co 2/9	3	166							2	
"H" Co 2/9	3	163								
"I" Co 2/9	3	160								
TOTAL	31	971	2	55					3	
"J" Co 3/9										
"K" Co 3/9										
"L" Co 3/9										
"M" Co 3/9										
TOTAL										

REMARKS: *(i. e. explain Non-Battle injuries, deaths and significant Losses)

Loss 2d Lt. R. L. HORN ("G"Co) NBC - missing and presumed drowned.

R. F. KIDWELL
 By direction

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HEADQUARTERS

2d Battalion, 9th Marines
 3d Marine División (Rein), FMF
 FPO, San Francisco, California, 96601

1/HBW/jmw
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8 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer
 To: Commanding Officer, 9th Marines (Attn: S-1)

Subj: Personnel Daily Summary Report No. 151.

1. The below information is submitted as of 2400, 8 Dec 1965.

ORGANIZATION	On Board Strength				Losses Since Last Report				TOTAL
	USMC OFF	USMC Enl	USN Off	USN Enl	KIA	WIA	DNW	CPRT	
HqCo									
TOTAL									
"A" Co 1/9									
"B" Co 1/9									
"C" Co 1/9									
"D" Co 1/9									
TOTAL									
"E" Co 2/9	19	330	2	55					
"F" Co 2/9	3	153							
"G" Co 2/9	5	165							
"H" Co 2/9	5	165							
"I" Co 2/9	5	160							
TOTAL	37	973	2	55					
HqCo									
"J" Co 3/9									
"K" Co 3/9									
"L" Co 3/9									
"M" Co 3/9									
TOTAL									

REMARKS: *(i. e. explain Non-Battle injuries, deaths and significant Losses)

LCpl T. P. LAVIN ("D"Co) - drowning confirmed; body recovered 2040, 8Dec65

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 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
 FPO, San Francisco, California, 96601

1/HBW/jmw
 1080

10 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer
 To: Commanding Officer, 9th Marines (Attn: S-1)

Subj: Personnel Daily Summary Report No. 152.

1. The below information is submitted as of 2400, 9 Dec 1965.

ORGANIZATION	On Board Strength				Losses Since Last Report					
	USMC		USN		KIA	WIA	DOW	CPRT	NBC	TOT.
OFF	Enl	Off	Enl							
HqCo										
TOTAL										
"A" Co 1/9										
"B" Co 1/9										
"C" Co 1/9										
"D" Co 1/9										
TOTAL										
"E" Co 2/9	19	330	2	55						
"F" Co 2/9	4	151				3				
"G" Co 2/9	2	165								
"H" Co 2/9	2	160								
"I" Co 2/9	4	159								
TOTAL	37	971	2	55		3				
"J" Co 3/9										
"K" Co 3/9										
"L" Co 3/9										
"M" Co 3/9										
TOTAL										

REMARKS: *(i. e. explain Non-Battle injuries, deaths and significant losses.)

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 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
 FPO, San Francisco, California, 96601

1/HBW/jmw
 1080
 11 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer
 To: Commanding Officer, 9th Marines (Attn: S-1)

Subject: Personnel Daily Summary Report No. 153.

1. The below information is submitted as of 2400, 10 Dec 1965.

ORGANIZATION	On Board Strength				Losses Since Last Report				
	USMC		USN		KIA	WIA	DOW	CPRT	NBC
Off	Enl	Off	Enl						
HqCo									
<u>TOTAL</u>									
H&S Co 1/9									
"A" Co 1/9									
"B" Co 1/9									
"C" Co 1/9									
"D" Co 1/9									
<u>TOTAL</u>									
H&S Co 2/9	19	330	2	55					
"E" Co 2/9	4	150							
"F" Co 2/9	5	165							
"G" Co 2/9	5	166							
"H" Co 2/9	4	157							
<u>TOTAL</u>	37	966	2	55					
H&S Co 3/9									
"I" Co 3/9									
"K" Co 3/9									
"L" Co 3/9									
"M" Co 3/9									
<u>TOTAL</u>									

R. KS: *(i. e. explain Non-Battle injuries, deaths and significant Losses)

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HEADQUARTERS
 2d Battalion, 9th Marines
 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
 FPO, San Francisco, California, 96601

1/HBW/jmw
 1080
 12 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer
 To: Commanding Officer, 9th Marines (Attn: S-1)

Subj: Personnel Daily Summary Report No. 154

1. The below information is submitted as of 2400, 11 Dec 1965.

ORGANIZATION	On Board Strength				Losses Since Last Report				
	USMC		USN		KIA	WIA	DOW	CPRT	NBC
Off	Enl	Off	Enl						
HqCo									
TOTAL									
H&S Co 1/9									
"A" Co 1/9									
"B" Co 1/9									
"C" Co 1/9									
"D" Co 1/9									
TOTAL									
H&S Co 2/9	<u>19</u>	<u>329</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>55</u>					
"E" Co 2/9	<u>4</u>	<u>151</u>							
"F" Co 2/9	<u>5</u>	<u>169</u>							
"G" Co 2/9	<u>5</u>	<u>166</u>							
"H" Co 2/9	<u>4</u>	<u>156</u>							
TOTAL	<u>37</u>	<u>965</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>55</u>					
H&S Co 3/9									
"I" Co 3/9									
"K" Co 3/9									
"L" Co 3/9									
"M" Co 3/9									
TOTAL									

REMARKS: *(i. e. explain Non-Battle injuries, deaths and significant Losses)

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 By direction

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HEADQUARTERS

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 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
 FPO, San Francisco, California, 96601

1/HBW/jmw
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13 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer
 To: Commanding Officer, 9th Marines (Attn: S-1)
 Subj: Personnel Daily Summary Report No. 155.

1. The below information is submitted as of 2400, 12 Dec 1965.

ORGANIZATION	On Board Strength				Losses Since Last Report				
	USMC		USN		KIA	WIA	DOW	CPRT	NBC
Off	Enl	Off	Enl						
H									
TOTAL									
H&S Co 1/9									
"A" Co 1/9									
"B" Co 1/9									
"C" Co 1/9									
"D" Co 1/9									
TOTAL									
H&S Co 2/9	19	321	2	55					
"E" Co 2/9	4	119							
"F" Co 2/9	5	158			1	1			
"G" Co 2/9	5	165							
"H" Co 2/9	1	154							
TOTAL	37	917	2	55					
1									
H&S Co 3/9									
"I" Co 3/9									
"K" Co 3/9									
"L" Co 3/9									
"M" Co 3/9									
TOTAL									

REMARKS: *(i. e. explain Non-Battle injuries, deaths and significant Losses)

FFC Robert M. BROWN DOW (GSW Chest) 0830, 12 Dec 1965 ("E"Co).

LCpl David A. OVERFIELD ("H"Co) NBC at 0930, 12 Dec 65 as a result of accidental discharge of .45 Cal. Pistol while cleaning.

Pvt John H. HANSON ("H"Co) NBC at 0930, 12 Dec 65 as a result of accidental discharge of .45 Cal. Pistol by another Marine.

D. F. ANDERSON, By direction
 (SIGNATURE)

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HEADQUARTERS
 2d Battalion, 9th Marines
 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
 FPO, San Francisco, California, 96601

1/HBW/jmw
 1080
 14 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer
 To: Commanding Officer, 9th Marines (Attn: S-1)

Subj: Personnel Daily Summary Report No. 156.

1. The below information is submitted as of 2400, 13 Dec 1965.

ORGANIZATION	On Board Strength				Losses Since Last Report				
	USMC		USN		KIA	WIA	DOW	CPRT	NBC
Off	Enl	Off	Enl						
HqCo									
TOTAL									
H&S Co 1/9									
"A" Co 1/9									
"B" Co 1/9									
"C" Co 1/9									
"D" Co 1/9									
TOTAL									
H&S Co 2/9	19	314	2	55					
"E" Co 2/9	4	146							
"F" Co 2/9	5	156				2			
"G" Co 2/9	5	166							
"H" Co 2/9	4	153							
TOTAL	37	957	2	55		2			
H&S Co 3/9									
"I" Co 3/9									
"K" Co 3/9									
"L" Co 3/9									
"M" Co 3/9									
TOTAL									

REMARKS: *(i. e. explain Non-Battle injuries, deaths and significant Losses)

D. F. ANDERSON, By direction
 (SIGNATURE)

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HEADQUARTERS

2d Battalion, 9th Marines
 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
 FPO, San Francisco, California, 96601

1/HBW/jmw
 1080

15 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer
 To: Commanding Officer, 9th Marines (Attn: S-1)
 Subj: Personnel Daily Summary Report No. 157.

1. The below information is submitted as of 2400, 14 Dec 1965.

ORGANIZATION	On Board Strength				Losses Since Last Report				
	USMC		USN		KIA	WIA	DOW	CPRT	NBC
Off	Enl	Off	Enl						
HqCo									
TOTAL									
H&S Co 1/9									
"A" Co 1/9									
"B" Co 1/9									
"C" Co 1/9									
"D" Co 1/9									
TOTAL									
H&S Co 2/9	19	310	2	55					
"E" Co 2/9	4	116							
"F" Co 2/9	5	152							
"G" Co 2/9	5	166							
"H" Co 2/9	4	152					1		
TOTAL	37	926	2	55			1		
H&S Co 3/9									
"I" Co 3/9									
"K" Co 3/9									
"L" Co 3/9									
"M" Co 3/9									
TOTAL									

REMARKS: *(i. e. explain Non-Battle injuries, deaths and significant Losses)

D. F. ANDERSON, By direction
 (SIGNATURE)

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9th Marines
 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
 c/o FPO, San Francisco, California 96601

1/274/65
 1080
 15 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion, 9th Marines
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Attn: SC-1)
 Subj: Personnel Daily Summary(3dMarDiv 1080-4) No. 158

1. The below information is correct as of 2400, 15 Dec 1965.

ORGANIZATION	Chargeable Strength				Present for Duty				Unit Area LOCATION
	USMC Off	USMC Enl	USN Off	USN Enl	USMC Off	USMC Enl	USN Off	USN Enl	
HQ Co									DA NANG
<u>TOTAL</u>									
H&S Co 1/9									
"A" Co 1/9									
"B" Co 1/9									
"C" Co 1/9									
"D" Co 1/9									
<u>TOTAL 1/9</u>									
H&S Co 2/9	19	359	2	55	19	301	2	54	DA NANG
"E" Co 2/9	4	248			4	245			
"F" Co 2/9	5	248			5	245			
"G" Co	5	166			5	164			
"H" Co 2/9	4	154			4	151			
<u>TOTAL 2/9</u>	37	925	2	55	37	906	2	54	
H&S Co 3/9									
"I" Co 3/9									
"K" Co 3/9									
"L" Co 3/9									
"M" Co 3/9									
<u>TOTAL 3/9</u>									
<u>TOTAL OTHER</u>									

D. F. ANDERSON
 By direction

9th Marines
 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
 c/o FPO, San Francisco, California 96601

1/10/68
 1080
 17 Dec 1967

From: Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion, 9th Marines
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Attn: SC-1)

Subj: Personnel Daily Summary(3dMarDiv 1080-4) No. 159.

1. The below information is correct as of 2400, 16 Dec 1967.

ORGANIZATION	Chargeable Strength				Present for Duty				Unit Area LOCATION
	USMC Off	USN Enl	USMC Off	USN Enl	USMC Off	USN Enl	USMC Off	USN Enl	
HqCo									DA NANG
TOTAL									
H&SCo 1/9									
"A"Co 1/9									
"B"Co 1/9									
"C"Co 1/9									
"D"Co 1/9									
TOTAL 1/9									
H&SCo	12	37	8	33	22	233	2	32	DA NANG
"E"Co 1/9	4	127			3	121			
"F"Co 1/9	5	124			2	137			
"G"Co 2/9	2	120			2	103			
"H"Co 2/9	2	124			4	141			
TOTAL 2/9	37	240	8	33	36	460	2	36	
H&SCo 3/9									
"I"Co 3/9									
"K"Co 3/9									
"L"Co 3/9									
"M"Co 3/9									
TOTAL 3/9									
TOTAL OTHER									

B. P. M. 1080-4
 P. C. Correction

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9th Marines
 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
 c/o FPO, San Francisco, California 96601

1/DFA/jmw
 1080
 18 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion, 9th Marines
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Attn: SC-1)

Subj: Personnel Daily Summary (3dMarDiv 1080-4) No. 160.

1. The below information is correct as of 2400, 17 Dec 1965.

ORGANIZATION	Chargeable Strength				Present for Duty				Unit Area LOCATION
	USMC Off	USMC Enl	USN Off	USN Enl	USMC Off	USMC Enl	USN Off	USN Enl	
H & S Co									DA NANG
TOTAL									
H & S Co 1/9									
"A" Co 1/9									
"B" Co 1/9									
"C" Co 1/9									
"D" Co 1/9									
TOTAL 1/9									
H & S Co 2/9	19	309	2	55	19	302	2	54	DA NANG
"E" Co 2/9	4	149			4	145			11
"F" Co 2/9	5	145			5	140			11
"G" Co 2/9	5	165			5	163			11
"H" Co 2/9	4	154			4	151			11
TOTAL 2/9	37	922	2	55	37	901	2	54	
H & S Co 3/9									
"I" Co 3/9									
"J" Co 3/9									
"L" Co 3/9									
"M" Co 3/9									
TOTAL 3/9									
TOTAL 9TH MTR									

D. F. ANDERSON
 By direction

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9th Marines
 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
 c/o FPO, San Francisco, California 96601

1/ DPA/jmw
 1080

19 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion, 9th Marines
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Attn: SC-1)

Subj: Personnel Daily Summary(3dMarDiv 1080-4) No. 161.

1. The below information is correct as of 2400, 18 Dec 1965.

ORGANIZATION	Chargeable Strength				Present for Duty				Unit Area LOCATION
	USMC Off	USMC Enl	USN Off	USN Enl	USMC Off	USMC Enl	USN Off	USN Enl	
H&SCo									DA NANG
TOTAL									
H&SCo 1/9									
"A"Co 1/9									
"B"Co 1/9									
"C"Co 1/9									
"D"Co 1/9									
TOTAL 1/9									
H&SCo 2/9									
"E"Co 2/9	19	309	2	55	19	302	2	54	DA NANG
"F"Co 2/9	4	138			4	137			
"G"Co 2/9	5	245			5	240			
"H"Co 2/9	5	164			5	162			
"I"Co 2/9	3	150			3	146			
TOTAL 2/9	36	906	2	55	36	887	2	54	
H&SCo 3/9									
"I"Co 3/9									
"K"Co 3/9									
"L"Co 3/9									
"M"Co 3/9									
TOTAL 3/9									
TOTAL 9THMR									

D. F. ANDERSON
 By direction

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9th Marines
 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
 c/o FPO, San Francisco, California 96601

1/DOFA/jmw
 1080
 20 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion, 9th Marines
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Attn: SC-1)

Subj: Personnel Daily Summary (3dMarDiv 1080-4) No. 162

1. The below information is correct as of 2400, 19 Dec 1965.

ORGANIZATION	Chargeable Strength				Present for Duty				Unit Area LOCATION
	USMC Off	USMC Enl	USN Off	USN Enl	USMC Off	USMC Enl	USN Off	USN Enl	
HqCo									DA NANG
TOTAL									
H&SCo 1/9									
"A"Co 1/9									
"B"Co 1/9									
"C"Co 1/9									
"D"Co 1/9									
TOTAL 1/9									
H&SCo 2/9	19	309	2	53	19	301	2	51	DA NANG
"E"Co 2/9	4	138			4	137			"
"F"Co 2/9	5	145			5	137			"
"G"Co 2/9	5	143			5	131			"
"H"Co 2/9	3	143			3	139			"
TOTAL 2/9	36	878	2	53	36	855	2	51	
H&SCo 3/9									
"I"Co 3/9									
"K"Co 3/9									
"L"Co 3/9									
"M"Co 3/9									
TOTAL 3/9									
TOTAL 9THLR									

D. F. ANDERSON
 By direction

9th Marines
 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
 FPO, San Francisco, California, 96601

1/EN/65
 1080
 21 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion, 9th Marines
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Attn: SC-1)

Subj: Personnel Daily Summary (3dMarDiv 1080-4) No. 163

1. The below information is correct as of 2400, 20 Dec 1965.

ORGANIZATION	Chargeable Strength				Present for Duty				Unit Area
	USMC	USN	Off	Enl	USMC	USN	Off	Enl	
HqCo									
TOTAL									
H&SCo 1/9									
"A"Co 1/9									
"B"Co 1/9									
"C"Co 1/9									
"D"Co 1/9									
TOTAL 1/9									
H&SCo 2/9	16	309	2	53	18	300	2	51	DARWY
"E"Co 2/9	4	126			4	119			"
"F"Co 2/9	5	103			5	139			"
"G"Co 2/9	5	143			5	141			"
"H"Co 2/9	4	129			4	122			"
TOTAL 2/9	36	677	2	53	36	654	2	51	"
H&SCo 3/9									
"I"Co 3/9									
"K"Co 3/9									
"L"Co 3/9									
"M"Co 3/9									
TOTAL 3/9									
TOTAL 9THMAR									

D. S. NELSON
 By direction

(6)

9th Marines
 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
 FPO, San Francisco, California, 96601

1080-4

22 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Attn: SC-1)

Subj: Personnel Daily Summary (3dMarDiv 1080-4) No. 1080-4

1. The below information is correct as of 2400, 21 Dec 1965.

ORGANIZATION	Chargeable Strength				Present for Duty				Unit Area LOCATION
	USMC	Enl	Off	Enl	USMC	Enl	Off	Enl	
HqCo									
TOTAL									
H&SCo 1/9									
"A"Co 1/9									
"B"Co 1/9									
"C"Co 1/9									
"D"Co 1/9									
TOTAL 1/9									
H&SCo 2/9									
"E"Co 2/9	13	333	2	53	15	221	2	51	13 204 3
"F"Co 2/9	4	223			4	152			"
"G"Co 2/9	5	140			5	143			"
"H"Co 2/9	5	140			5	140			"
TOTAL 2/9	14	151			14	147			"
H&SCo 3/9	55	905	2	53	36	706	2	51	
"I"Co 3/9									
"K"Co 3/9									
"L"Co 3/9									
"M"Co 3/9									
TOTAL 3/9									
TOTAL 9THMAR									

23 personnel received 1600 - have not been assigned to companies.

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9th Marines
 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
 FPO, San Francisco, California, 96601

1080/jmc
 1080

23 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Attn: SC-1)

Subj: Personnel Daily Summary (3dMarDiv 1080-4) No. 1080

1. The below information is correct as of 2400, 22 Dec 1965.

ORGANIZATION	Chargeable Strength				Present for Duty				Unit Area LOCATION
	USMC	USN	Off	Enl	USMC	USN	Off	Enl	
H&S Co									
<u>TOTAL</u>									
H&S Co 1/9									
"A" Co 1/9									
"B" Co 1/9									
"C" Co 1/9									
"D" Co 1/9									
<u>TOTAL 1/9</u>									
H&S Co 2/9									
"E" Co 2/9	18	313	2	53	16	296	2	51	BARING
"F" Co 2/9	4	156			4	155			
"G" Co 2/9	5	156			5	151			
"H" Co 2/9	5	149			5	147			
<u>TOTAL 2/9</u>	4	156			4	151			
H&S Co 3/9	36	935	2	53	36	902	2	51	
"I" Co 3/9									
"K" Co 3/9									
"L" Co 3/9									
"M" Co 3/9									
<u>TOTAL 3/9</u>									
<u>TOTAL 9THMAR</u>									

D. F. ANDERSON
 By direction

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9th Marines
 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
 FPO, San Francisco, California, 96601

1/OPA/jmw
 1080

24 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion, 9th Marines (Attn: SC-1)
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division

Subj: Personnel Daily Summary (3dMarDiv 1080-4) No. 766

1. The below information is correct as of 2400, 23 Dec 1965.

ORGANIZATION	Chargeable Strength				Present for Duty				Unit Area LOCATION
	USMC Off	Enl	Off	Enl	USMC Off	Enl	Off	Enl	
HqCo									
TOTAL									
HqCo 1/9									
MAPCC 1/9									
WB 1/9									
VC 1/9									
MPCC 1/9									
TOTAL 1/9									
HC 2/9	78	322	2	54	78	226	2	52	2400-2
WB 2/9	1	157			1	156			22
MAPCC 2/9	5	156			5	152			22
WGCC 2/9	5	110			5	107			22
MPCC 2/9	1	156			1	157			222
TOTAL 2/9	36	930	2	51	36	907	2	52	
HC 3/9									
WB 3/9									
MAPCC 3/9									
WGCC 3/9									
MPCC 3/9									
TOTAL 3/9									
TO1 PHMAR									

O. P. ADDISON
 By direction

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DECLASSIFIED

9th Marines

3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
FPO, San Francisco, California, 966011080
1/3PA/jmw

25 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Attn: SC-1)Subj: Personnel Daily Summary (3dMarDiv 1080-4) No. 1671. The below information is correct as of 2400, 24 Dec 1965

ORGANIZATION	Chargeable Strength				Present for Duty				Unit Area LOCATION
	USMC Off	Enl	Off	Enl	USMC Off	Enl	Off	Enl	
HQ									
TO									
"A" Co 1/9									
"B" Co 1/9									
"C" Co 1/9									
"D" Co 1/9									
TOTAL 1/9									
H&SCo 2/9									
"E" Co 2/9	78	373	2	51	78	227	3	52	DASING
"F" Co 2/9	1	157			1	156			"
"G" Co 2/9	5	156			5	150			"
"H" Co 2/9	5	153			5	161			"
TOTAL 2/9	1	156			1	151			"
H&SCo 3/9	36	935	2	51	36	925	2	52	
"I" Co 3/9									
"J" Co 3/9									
"K" Co 3/9									
TOTAL 3/9									
TOTAL 9THMAR									

D. P. ANDERSON
By direction

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9th Marines
 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
 FPO, San Francisco, California, 96601

1/DPA/jmw
 1080
 26 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion, 9th Marines
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Attn: SC-1)

Subj: Personnel Daily Summary (3dMarDiv 1080-4) No. 168

1. The below information is correct as of 2400, 25 Dec 1965.

ORGANIZATION	Chargeable Strength				Present for Duty				Unit Area
	USMC	USN	Off	Enl	USMC	USN	Off	Enl	
HqC									
TOT									
H&SCo 1/9									
"A" Co 1/9									
"B" Co 1/9									
"C" Co 1/9									
"D" Co 1/9									
TOTAL 1/9									
H&SCo 2/9	18	313	2	54	18	294	5	52	DATAFILE
"E" Co 2/9	4	158			4	157			"
"F" Co 2/9	4	160			4	156			"
"G" Co 2/9	5	160			5	153			"
"H" Co 2/9	4	161			4	156			"
TOTAL 2/9	35	952	2	54	35	921	5	52	
H&SCo 3/9									
"I" Co 3/9									
"J" Co 3/9									
"K" Co 3/9									
TOTAL 3/9									
TOTAL 9THMAR									

D. F. ANDERSON
 By direction

9th Marines
 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
 FPO, San Francisco, California, 96601

1080/jmw
 1080

27 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (letter SC-1)

Subj: Personnel Daily Summary (3dMarDiv 1080-4) No: 169

1. The below information is correct as of 2400, 26 Dec 1965

ORGANIZATION	Off	Chargeable Strength			Present for Duty			Unit Area	
		USMC	USN	Enl	Off	USMC	USN	Enl	Enl
HqCo									
TOTAL									
H-SCo	1/9								
MA-SCo	1/9								
W-SCo	1/9								
"C"	1/9								
"D"	1/9								
T-SCo	1/9								
H-SCo	1/9								
"E"Co	1/9	15	313	2	54	18	301	2	53
"F"Co	2/9	4	159			4	158		"
"G"Co	2/9	4	161			4	154		"
"H"Co	2/9	5	161			5	156		"
TOTAL	2/9	4	161			4	156		"
H-SCo	3/9	35	955	2	54	35	927	2	53
"I"Co	3/9								
"K"Co	3/9								
"L"Co	3/9								
"M"Co	3/9								
TOTAL	3/9								
2 26 9THMAR									

D. F. ANDERSON
 By direction

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9th Marines
 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
 FPO, San Francisco, California, 96601

1/DFA/jmw

1080
 28 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion, 9th Marines
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Attn: SC-1)

Subj: Personnel Daily Summary (3dMarDiv 1080-4) No. 1781. The below information is correct as of 2400, 27 Dec 1965.

ORGANIZATION	Chargeable Strength				Present for Duty				Unit Area LOCATION
	USMC Off	USN Enl	USMC Off	USN Enl	USMC Off	USN Enl	USMC Off	USN Enl	
HQ Co									
TOTAL									
HQ Co 1/9									
"A" 1/9									
"B" 1/9									
"C" 1/9									
"D" Co 1/9									
TOTAL 1/9									
H&S Co 2/9	16	313	2	54	17	302	2	54	DAILY
"E" Co 2/9	4	156			4	155			"
"F" Co 2/9	2	161			5	154			"
"G" Co 2/9	5	163			5	150			"
"H" Co 2/9	1	155			4	150			"
TOTAL 2/9	36	948	2	54	35	919	2	54	
H&S Co 3/9									
"I" Co 3/9									
"K" Co 3/9									
"L" Co 3/9									
"M" Co 3/9									
TOTAL 3/9									
TOTAL 9THMAR									

D. F. ANDERSON
 By direction

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9th Marines

3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
FPO, San Francisco, California, 966011/DFA/jmw
1080

29 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion, 9th Marines
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Attn: SC-1)Subj: Personnel Daily Summary (3dMarDiv 1080-4) No. 1711. The below information is correct as of 2400, 28 Dec 1965.

ORGANIZATION	Chargeable Strength				Present for Duty				Unit Area LOCATION
	USMC Off	Enl	Off	Enl	USMC Off	Enl	Off	Enl	
HQ Co									
<u>TOTAL</u>									
HE Co 1/9									
WE Co 1/9									
WE Co 1/9									
WE Co 1/9									
WE Co 1/9									
WE Co 1/9									
<u>TOTAL</u>									
H&S Co 2/9	18	313	2	51	17	306	2	54	DAMASC
WE Co 2/9	4	155			4	153			11
WE Co 2/9	5	161			5	153			11
WE Co 2/9	5	162			5	155			11
WE Co 2/9	4	155			4	151			11
<u>TOTAL</u> 2/9	36	946	2	51	35	918	2	54	11
H&S Co 3/9									
WE Co 3/9									
WE Co 3/9									
<u>TOTAL</u> 3/9									
<u>TOTAL 9THMAR</u>									

D. F. ANDERSON
By direction

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9th Marines
 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
 FPO, San Francisco, California, 96601

1/1FA/Jmw
 1080

30 Dec 1965

From: Commanding Officer, 2d Battalion, 9th Marines
 To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Attn: SC-1)

Subj: Personnel Daily Summary (3dMarDiv 1080-4) No. 172

1. The below information is correct as of 2400, 29 Dec 1965.

ORGANIZATION	Chargeable Strength				Present for Duty				Unit Area LOCATION
	USMC Off	Enl	Off	Enl	USMC Off	Enl	Off	Enl	
HqCo									
TOL									
H&SCo 1/9									
"A" Co 1/9									
"B" Co 1/9									
"C" Co 1/9									
"D" Co 1/9									
"E" Co 1/9									
TOTAL 1/9									
H&SCo 2/9	18	313	2	54	16	308	2	54	DA NANG
"E" Co 2/9	4	154			4	152			11
H&SCo 2/9	5	161			5	152			11
"G" Co 2/9	5	161			5	152			11
"H" Co 2/9	4	154			4	150			11
TOTAL 2/9	36	943	2	54	34	925	2	54	
H&SCo 3/9									
"I" Co 3/9									
"K" Co 3/9									
"L" Co 3/9									
"M" Co 3/9									
TOTAL 3/9									
TOTAL 9THMAR									

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From: Commanding Officer
 To: Commanding General, 3d Battalion, 9th Marines SC-1)

Subj: Personnel Daily Summary (3dMarDiv 1080-4) No. 173

1. The below information is correct as of 2400, 30 Dec 1965.

ORGANIZATION	Chargeable Strength				Present for Duty				Unit Area LOCATION
	USMC	USN	Off	Enl	USMC	USN	Off	Enl	
Hq Co									
TOTAL									
HQ CO 1/9									
MA 1/9									
WB 1/9									
WC 1/9									
WD 1/9									
TOTAL 1/9									
HQ CO 2/9									
WB 2/9	18	313	2	54	16	309	2	54	DANANG
WC 2/9	4	156			4	156			
WD 2/9	5	165			5	156			
TOTAL 2/9	5	163			5	154			
HQ CO 3/9	4	159			4	154			
TOTAL 3/9	36	950	2	54	36	929	2	54	
HQ CO 3/9									
WB 3/9									
WC 3/9									
WD 3/9									
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1600		J-1	031600	Journal opened at 2/9 CP Coord AT 992678.	S.
1605		J-2	031605	ISUM #148 sent to Sen-2.	
1800		J-3	031800	Journal Closed.	
1801		J-1	031801	Journal Opened.	
1805		J-2	031805	Evening weather report.	S.
1830		J-3	031830	BB-H To BB-2: Saw large explosion 8,000 meters to our rear. Appears to be ammo bunker.	S.
1900		J-4	031900	Ln0 To BB-3: Reports mine detonated on Hwy #1 between Mieu Bong and Tanh Quit, request information.	S.
2155		J-5	032155	Shove-2 To BB-2: Unit source rate F-6 by Shove-2. 3 VC S. located at BT 002725, armed with 60mm and 2 automatic weapons. Mission to attack Hoa Can training center as a diversionary for an attack on the airfield.	
0700		J-6	040700	Morning weather report.	S.
0910		J-7	040910	Sen-2 To BB-2: Request TAOR trafficability report not later 041800H. Report to include detailed information on status of roads and major trails, water level in paddy areas. Status of bridges and approaches - general statement of vehicle types that can travel on portions of roads, trails receiving influence or high water.	S.
1800		J-8	041800	Journal Closed.	
1801		J-1	041801	Journal Opened.	
1805		J-2	041805	Evening weather report.	S.
2010		J-3	042010	Rosemount-E To BB-3: Received tracers at 042005H vic BT 008501 (out of TAOR) and BT 012614.	
2125		J-4	042125	BB-H To BB-3: A "H" Co patrol at coord BT 032641 observed that the trail was blocked by a fence and had freshly dug punji traps surrounding it. At this same time movement was detected and the patrol withdrew because of the possibility of an ambush. Illum was called with negative sightings. Patrol continued to move to BT 033643 at 050349H at which time 2 rds of SA fire was received from vic of	

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					BT 030645. Patrol returned approx 200 SA rds, 2 M-79 rds, 2 81mm illum rds and 9 60mm HE rds. Effect on target is unknown.	
0410		J-5		050410	BB-G To BB-3: S-2 attached to Co G detected movement to its front via AT 997675. Four rds of 60mm illum were fired. Negative results. Approx 05 minutes latter a Claymore mine was set off and a patrol was dispatched to check out the area with negative results.	S
0700		J-6		050700	Morning weather report.	S
0850		J-7		050850	Rosemont-F To PG-14: Continuous trenches from AT 994607 to BT 020607 and from RR tracks to BT 017607 on south side of river. On north side of river from BT 017607 to BT 020608, continuous trenches.	S
1050		J-8		051050	BB-E To BB-3: Observed two men in civilian clothes with weapons at BT 043720. These two men fired 5 rds semi automatic in an undetermined direction, and disappeared into treeline. No Cas. Time 051000H. No action taken.	S
1125		J-9		051125	BB-H To BB-3: Apprehended 16 VCS near site of ambush last night. Returning VCS to Bn POW collection point. Suspects were signalling with lights between houses.	S
1415		J-10		051415	BB-2 To BB-3: 16 VCS were brought to Bn collection point and were interrogated. 14 were released by the interpreter. 1 boy 18 had no ID belongs to the VC young mens Association. 1 woman 24 belonging to the young ladys Association. She stood watches for VC one year ago.	S
1425		J-11		051425	BB-H To BB-3: Reports fire fight with heavy SA fire from BT 012637. Sustained two WIA's at BT 022637.	S
1745		J-12		051745	BB-H To BB-3: Hotel reaction force at BT 032643 was taken under SA fire from BT 032640. Sustained 2 WIAs. Returned fire with Ontos, 81mm mortars and SA fire.	S
1800		J-13		051800	Journal Closed.	
1801		J-1		051801	Journal Open.	
1805		J-2		051805	Evening weather report.	S

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1940		J-3	051940	BB-H To BB-3: Received heavy volume of AR fire from BT 023637 and returned fire which resulted in 3 KIA VC. Captured gear: 1-D50 M.G., 2 CHICOM Grenades, VC flag, and webb gear. 5 VCS picked up at same time.	S.
2148		J-4	052148	BB-H To BB-3: A LP 75 meters south of H Co CP and 50 meters west of Hwy #1 saw 4 people 50 meters away. Fired 2 rds each and pulled back into CP. Movement ceased and LP went back out.	S.
0700		J-5	060700	Morning weather report.	S.
0935		J-6	060935	BB-F To BB-3: FP2 received two rds SA fire south of Le Son S. (1), vic AT 985654. They are continuing sweep. No Cas.	
2215		J-7	052215	BB-F To BB-3: 81mm H&I rnd dropped vic AT 990646. Secondary Late explosion was heard. Think it is a possible mine field. Entry	
1710			061710	BB-3 To BB: Two men riding a mule proceeding south toward BB CP was fired on from vic Can Ne II. No Cas.	S.
1800			061800	Journal Closed.	
1801			061801	Journal Open.	
1805			061805	Evening weather report.	S.
1806		J-3	061806	BB-E To BB-3: Two rds semi-automatic fired at Echo , 1 from BT 045705 incoming. No casualties. A patrol was sent out to locate source. There is a river between them and where the shot was fired from. Patrol returned with neg resu	S.
1815		J-4	061815	BB-H To BB-2: A patrol in the village of Naon Tho (2) found a hypodermic needle at BT 014653, also found a new trail marked by rags lying along side of the trail at BT 028645. Trail not on the map.	S.
1820		J-5	061820	BB-E To BB-3: We are still being fired on. Will send spot report as soon as possible.	S.
1830		J-6	061830	BB-E To BB-3: Received 1 round from BT 051706, fired at sniper position scoring two direct hits. No friendly Cas. Enemy Cas undertermined.	S.

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<u>IN</u>	<u>OUT</u>	<u>NO.</u>	<u>DTG</u>	
1855	J-7	061855	BB-E To BB-3: Received 1 rd SA fire from BT 051706. Returned fire with 2 rds M-79. Direct hit. Fire ceased.	S.
1940	J-8	061940	BB-H To BB-2: Patrol discovered reconstruction of destroyed obstacles at BT 027639, also found a French magneto in a house at that location, and 75 feet of comm wire rolled on a bamboo stick.	S.
2015	J-9	062015	BB To BB-3: Received one round SA fire at AT 997678. Sent a patrol to check area.	S.
2250	J-10	062250	BB-H To BB-3: At BT 026654 a VC threw grenade at a PT patrol. Patrol returned fire. 1 Marine WIA, enemy cas unknown.	S.
0130	J-11	070130	BB-E To BB-3: Have killed 3 VC, details to follow in morning.	S.
0700	J-12	070700	Morning weather report.	S.
0815	J-13	070815	BB-E To BB-3: Information concerning 070130 entry. An ambush sighted 3 VC at BT 045720 coming up the river in a boat. The area was illuminated and the boat tried to paddle for cover. The ambush saw one weapon and opened fire killing all 3 VC and sinking the boat. A search of the area was made with no bodies found.	S.
1320	J-14	071320	BB-F To BB-3: Reports over 65 villagers leaving the village of NHON THO (1) BT 003663. Villagers traveling SW towards HA DONG vic AT 998643. We are still observing.	S.
1800	J-15	071801	Journal Closed.	
1801	J-1	071801	Journal Open.	
1805	J-2	071805	Evening weather report.	S.
1920	J-3	071920	BB-H To BB-3: HP2 received 7-8 rounds AR fire from BT 041643. Returned fire with 81mm Mortars. Results unknown.	S.
2245	J-4	072245	BB-F To BB-3: Discovered 6 diamond shaped holes approx 6' in diameter, and angled in such a manner to support mortar tubes aimed at BB-F or BB Bn CP. Holes found at AT 982655.	S.

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0555		J-5	080555	BB-H To BB-3: Refer to entry at 071920. While traveling S. east up trail from coord BT 032643, noticed a flashing light at BT 037646, and heard a number of clicking sticks at approximately the same location. They were then fired upon by 3 types of weapons, they appeared to have one Carbine and one M-1, and one definite automatic weapon, probably a K-50. Later while moving south observed VC fire at BT 040633 directed at passing aircraft. In all incidents it was noted that tracer ammunition was used.	
0556		J-6	080556	BB-F To BB-3: FP4 has returned, a minefield was reported to have been found at AT 992662. Detailed report to follow.	
0700		J-7	080700	Morning weather report	
0745		J-8	080745	RME To BB-2: Observed fresh trench work 200 yards south of railroad bridge at AT 993609; number of fresh fox holes also.	
0900		J-9	080900	BB-F To BB-3: Reference entry 080556, investigation of investigation of possible minefield was determined to have metal objects in ground at AT 992662. Engineers were requested to continue search of area.	S.
0930		J-10	080930	BB-F To BB-3: Two PF's stationed in Yen Ne (1) told F Co interpreter that VC in area area moving to an unknown location south of Route #14. This report is rated F-6. Request that HOA VANG check this report with PAT teams and 59th Bn.	S.
1320		J-11	081320	BB-F To BB-3: Minefield originally reported by FP4 was checked out and yielded negative results. However one 10" long pottery cylinder with 6" diameter was discovered in same area. It looked like it was filled with Black Powder and was blown in place.	
1520		J-12	081520	BB-F To BB-3: Co F reported that FP1 utilizing tanks destroyed a tunnel entrance at AT 994642. What appeared to be cloths and food stuffs blew out of the cave. Fire was also directed at a pagoda at AT 993637 resulting in a large secondary explosion, and at 2 armed VC at AT 997620. The patrol also reported that an explosion occurred in the crater left from the explosion which resulted in the death of an engineer 2 days ago. No Marines were nearby and the cause of the explosion is unknown.	

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1730		J-13	081730	Swain "I" To BB-3: Pacification team came in at AN TRAC stated they had received a report that 150 VC had moved between AT 965665 - grid line 65. Lots of activity in LA BONG (1), YEN NE complex. Swain "I" dispatched a patrol to check out activity at LA BONG (1) & YEN NE complex. Pacification team is accompanying the patrol.
1800		J-14	081800	Journal Closed.
1801		J-1	081801	Journal Open.
1805		J-2	081805	Evening weather report.
1830		J-3	081830	SW-I To BB-3: Squad patrol received fire from AT 965659, observed 2 VC with M-1 Carbines, wearing black clothing with dark head bands. No casualties.
1930		J-4	081930	SW-I To BB-3: At 970663 received 1 SA round from 1 individual who was spotted at AT 968665, wearing black clothes and a black head scarf. Fire was from a M-1 Carbine. Returned fire. Patrol checked area with negative results.
1930		J-5	081930	SW-3 To BB-3: Mine found by PAT member 1 foot high, 3" square, gray with yellow markings "TNT" and "MEN" written on it. Has carrying handle on top made of wood. Found at 081710H, coord not yet available.
1930		J-6	081930	SW-3 To BB-3: A Squad size patrol from I3/3 in area of LA BONG (1) around 1700H civilians reported 15 VC had been there all day but left in early afternoon going south. Patrol missed them.
1940		J-7	081940	BB-H To BB-3: H-6 informs that firefight is going on south of his position. Waiting for word from HP2.
2015		J-8	082015	BB-H To BB-3: Reports a ambush patrol getting ready to set in at BT 030640 spotted 7-8 people walking down Hwy #1, people saw the ambush and started to run, ambush opened fire squad leader saw 2 people fall. At this time the ambush received fire from the rear. Squad leader pulled out firing burst of SA down Hwy #1 and covered with 81mm fire mission. No casualties.
2020		J-9	082020	BB-F To BB-3: Fire mission: 996637-994637, known ammo bunkers and suspected tunnels, fired 20 rounds with 2 second explosions observed.

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2145		J-10	082145	BB-H To BB-3: Reference Entry 082015: Ambush setting up S ambush site saw 2 people walking south to north. People saw ambush and started running, ambush opened fire with MG and automatic rifles - 4 M-79 rounds fired. 75-100 rounds fired. Squad leader saw 2 people fall, 5 more people were 10 meters behind first two. Ambush opened fire. At this time ambush received fire from east to west vic BT 033638 to BT 032639. 75 rounds non-automatic SA. Squad leader pulled out of site firing down Hwy #1; pulling out, squad received fire from its ambush site from 3 weapons leading them to believe that 1 of the 5 had been hit. At 2035, a fire mission was fired - 6 rounds at BT 035633.	S
0700		J-11	090700	Morning weather report.	
0915		J-12	090915	SW-I To BB-3: Large number of Vietnamese working on graves near Yen Ne (2). As many as 100.	
090925		J-13	090925	SW-I To BB-3: Villagers brought 4 dead VN into I Co position. Claim they were killed by shell frags prior to dark yesterday. Killed around village of Xuan Diem (1) AT 963627. Arty did not fire prior to dark in that area. 81's did not fire in that area.	
1035		J-14	091035	BB-H&S To BB-3: Bunker #37 received two rounds sniper fire S from their left front approx 75 meters. It was reported by Sgt MOSS, 106 Plt Sgt. He said he was going to put another man on the bunker. No casualties.	S
1210		J-15	091210	BB-F To BB-3: One Chi Com grenade thrown at plt on sweep. Plt fired several rounds M-14 and 1 round M-79 into hedge row. Unknown results.	
1545		J-16	091545	SW-I To BB-3: One VC KIA by PAT in La Bong (2). I Co did not see body but saw sandals that PAT took off the body. Sandals were given to I Co and will be passed on.	
1800		J-17	091800	Journal Closed.	
1801		J-1	091801	Journal Open.	
1805		J-2	091805	Evening weather report.	

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1810		J-3	091810	SW-I To BB-3: Reports 2 VC captured; no ID, at AT 947674 at 081600H. One released and one sent to HVDH. At 08155H Swain K patrol found a marked minefield at AT 953651. Mine field will be cleared on 10 Dec. At 082030 K Co received 15 rounds incoming AR fire. Origin unknown. No Cas.	
2215		J-4	092215	Sen-2 To BB-2: In the North sector of Quang Nam special sector is 1 VC Co., designated as 916B With 80 men, 1-60mm mortar, 1 BAR and individual weapons, 1 Plt located at BT 071685, one Plt at BT 030678, one Plt at BT 038660. They are also drafting personnel from Hoa Vang district. Rating BB-3.	
2300		J-5	092300	Sen-3 To BB-3: Reports: 1. ARVN sources report an increase in terrorism in the next 48 hours. 2. Children and old people will be paid to perform such acts as destroying vehicles, stealing weapons, leaving explosives near billeting areas while appearing to be resting.	
0700		J-6	100700	Morning weather report.	
0950		J-7	100950	BB-H To BB-3: At 091730 Scout Sniper team saw one armed VC dressed in a camouflaged shirt hiding in bushes. Scout Sniper fired one round and VC disappeared. At 091750H saw a female go to bushes, pick something up and run into treeline (BT 020638).	
1225		J-8	101225	Sen-2 To BB-2: Information from staff Hq reports that in order to employ and kill friendly troops at this time, the VC use a special type grenade activated by acid, it will blow up if the security hook is held on to. The top of the grenade is red or blue. The VC pretend to drop these on the ground so they will be seized or picked up as trophies. C-3. In the villages of Hoa Long BT 0769, Hoa Hai BT 0867 the VC are using children to carry TNT explosives to use against installations. The children come near USMC installations to follow Marine situation and sabotage. C-2.	
1345		J-9	101345	BB To BB-2: Received one VCS (female) from Swain I who had received her from a PAT team at 091530H. PAT team picked her up vic AT 966664. Forwarded to ITT.	
1305		J-10	101305	SW-K To BB-3: Kilo Patrol 2 while returning to base detonated a boobytrap at AT 955664. 3 WIA. They continued on after apprehending 1 VN who ran away after the explosion.	

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1535		J-11	101535	SW-I To BB-3: PAT in La Bong (3) at AT 9070 reports that S. there are 4 VC in spider traps, dressed as ARVN soldiers with short pants vic AT 977674. The VC are supposedly sitting on stools. The report continued that the same VC have emplaced 2 booby traps (pressure release in wooden boxes) in the same vicinity.	
1730		J-12	101730	BB-H To BB-3: Have received 2 rounds sniper fire from south from approx 150 to 200 meters out, from vic AT 994674. No casualties.	
1800		J-13	101800	Journal Closed.	
1801		J-1	101801	Journal Open.	
1805		J-2	101805	Evening weather report.	S.
1830		J-3	101830	BB-F To BB-3: Report patrol with engineers attached in S. Nhòn Tho (1) BT 003657 blew 5 tunnels with 2 tunnels having secondary explosions. Engineers estimated 1 to be approx 10 Lbs TNT and 1 to be caused by a mine or hand grenade. Also blown was 2 spider traps, and one booby trapped gate.	
0700		J-4	110700	Morning weather report.	S.
0840		J-5	110840	SW-I To BB-3: Swain I reported hearing an explosion outside of their perimeter. Sent out a patrol to check out area. Found two Vietnamese people with shrapnel wounds apparently from a boobytrap at AT 970659. Injuries were not serious and were treated by Co Corpsman.	
1025		J-6	111025	SW-3 To BB-3: Swain I observed at AT 974657 5 suspicious S. people. Sending squad to check it out.	
1100		J-7	111100	SW-3 To BB-3: Reports KP1 at AT 957657 while walking into S. into Duxen Son (3) automatic weapons fired approx 5 rounds from the left flank 75-100 meters away. Location of patrol was at AT 955657. Patrol returned fire. 1 USMC WIA, Med Ev	
1230		J-8	111230	SW-I To BB-3: Received 10-15 rounds SA fire into CP from AT 972660. Returned fire and dispatched squad to check area. No Casualties.	
1315		J-9	111315	BB-H&S To BB-3: Apprehended 1 VCS at AT 999673. Forwarded to HVDH.	

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1320	J-10	111320	BB-2 To RAD:	Code for CHALLENGE and PASSWORD for 111200H Dec 65 to 121200H Dec 65 is 05.	
1415	J-11	111415	BB-H To BB-3:	Patrol leader talked to two VN at BT 031643 S. VN told him 2 VC had come from An Tu (1) BT 024640 to Viem Tay (2) BT 031643 and held meeting with 50% of population. VC tried to incite VN against Americans. They were unsuccessful and took off when PAT team approached village. Patrol found 4 strand barb wire fence in good condition. Vietnamese said wire was used by previous government for construction of new hamlet.	
1442	J-12	111442	SW-K To BB-3:	Patrol 1 sent to check minefield at AT952651S. Mine detection did not work but size of field was determined to be 35X35 yards.	
1512	J-13	111512	BB-F To BB-3:	FP1 in Nhen Tho (1) blew one cave entrance S. vic BT 000661 depth was unknown.	
1730	J-14	111730	Sen-2 To BB-2:	Want to know color of smoke and descriptions of secondary explosives in the tunnels blown yesterday.	
1754	J-15	111745	Sen-2 To BB-2:	Want to know if previously mentioned cave S. was blown with HE.	
1800	J-16	111800	Journal Closed.		
1801	J-1	111801	Journal Open.		
1802	J-2	111802	Sen-2 To BB-2:	HVD Secret agent reports that 15 guerrillas are hiding at AT 975687 and will move to La Bong hamlet on 11 Dec 65, in order to capture a number of people who have been helping pacification Cadre and send them to the mountains for training. One Main Force plt, commanded by Mai Cong, hiding at BT 085670 in order to coordinate with guerrillas of Hoa Loi, Hoa Long, villages. One main force Company is hiding in vic AT 935601 and AT 945602. Designation, Command and activity unknown. Rating B-2.	
1910	J-3	111910	Sen-2 To BB-2:	Want all secondary explosions described by color of flame and smoke.	
2323	J-4	112323	SW-I To BB-3:	At 2310H I OP was approached by two individuals vic AT 973661. OP fired M-14 and grenades. Illuminate area. Negative results.	

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0026		J-5	120026	Bridge-#3 To BB-3: At 0005H spotted what seemed to be two S. persons 150 meters west of railroad bridge at AT 993687. Shot white parachute, and saw what appeared to be two people run. Fired four rounds and possibly hit one.	
0420		J-6	120420	Sen-2 To BB-2: Wants the results of engineer team that went S to investigate mine field in front of K Co.	
0700		J-7	120700	Morning weather report.	S.
0900		J-8	120900	PF's To BB-2: Found 1 VC pull type booby trap at Hoaph AT 917711. Was removed.	S.
1025		J-9	121025	BB-H To BB-3: Reports one round 60mm mortar fire at BT 032637. FSCC and F Co report nothing fired in that area.	S.
1130		J-10	121130	BB-F To BB-3: FP1 patrol at BT 000643 received 20-30 rounds S. automatic weapons fire from 3 VC at vic BT 002642. Patrol returned fire with 22 60mm mortar rounds and 200-300 SA rounds. No casualties. Results unknown. Engineers attached blew 1 tunnel at AT 998643, with composition C-4.	
1430		J-11	121430	SW-I To BB-3: Papa 1 reported finding a spider trap 4X4 S. with bamboo siding at AT 968674. No recent use indicated. In same vic found a pole and (T) marker along trail, noticed people avoiding use of area. Patrol also reports a bunker being constructed at AT 974660. Area to be checked 13 Dec, report to follow.	
1630		J-12	121630	Sen-2 To BB-2: HVDH reports Hoa Da village Chief reported S. to Liason officer that villagers of Trung Lung Coord BT 041721 have found weapons which appear to be 3.5 rocket launcher or parts of; with ammo village chief states he will be in village tomorrow afternoon to help troops confiscate weapons.	
1800		J-13	121800	Journal Closed.	
1801		J-1	121801	Journal Open.	
1805		J-2	121805	Evening weather report.	S.
1806		J-3	121806	SW-I To BB-3: Bunker that was found earlier this morning S. was 6' long, 4' wide and 4' high. Front and rear entrances, 3 appurtenances. Bunker was completely destroyed with 5 lbs of TNT and 3 dud 3.5 rounds.	

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0100		J-4	120100	BB-H&S To BB-3: Bunker #2 threw one illum. Saw movement and fired one round. Results unknown.	S.
1410		J-5	131410	BB-F To BB-3: At AT 986644 Fox patrol hit a boobytrap at 1205. While awaiting medical evac at 1230H another explosion occurred at AT 989643. No Casualties. Search produced pieces of M-26 frag grenades at AT 986644, and large chunks of metal at AT 989643. Apprehended four VN women working nearby to see if they had any knowledge. Had two friendly WIA, women questioned, and released.	S.
1700		J-6	131700	SW-2 To BB-3: Received report from Bound secret agent that a VC Co. was located with Plt's at La Chau (3) AT 957677, La Bong (3) AT 963678, Cam Ne (3) AT 963684, GS 9170, Plt in each area. Equipped with 5 BAR's, 1 82mm mortar, 5 IMG's, 36 rifles(M-1's and Carbines). Order of attack: Pontoon bridge AT 946700, Hill 22, Hill 41, Dist Hqs GS 9368. Unit commanded by Ho Giao.	S.
1800		J-7	131800	Journal Closed.	
1801		J-1	131801	Journal Open.	
1805		J-2	131805	Evening weather report.	S.
2030		J-3	132030	SW-2 To BB-3: Swain I reports patrol with one VCS returned to area where VCS said two VC were hiding, found two foxholes vic AT 967667. No one in area.	S.
2200		J-4	132200	Sen-2 To BB-2: Report from Special Agent of 131400H. One VC Bn., is dispersed in area bounded by AT 9958m AT 9762, BT 0064, BT 0462. Battalion is reported to be a PAVN. Commanded by Dong Quang Trung, weapons and strength unknown. Shove-2 Comment: This commander has been in almost all reports of attacks on Da Nang Airbase, last reported is he is in the general area. Rating F-3.	S.
2215		J-5	132215	BB-Y To BB-3: Reported perimeter security spotted 3 figures trying to get through the tactical wire at AT 993681. Figures were taken under fire with 5 rounds of SA, illuminate area with 3 rounds 81mm mortar rounds. Negative results.	S.
0700		J-6	140700	Morning weather report.	S.

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1645		J-7	141645	SW-2 To BB-3: K Co received report from Dien Ban that 51st S Regt has one VC Bn., commanded by Luyen, estimated strength 430 men. Dispersed at following coord: AT 964602, AT 975605 BT 004605, ANSS G-2 Comment: Luyen Akale. Luyen reported as commander of Bn operational in Ky Minh and Thanh Son villa (Northwestern Dien Ban District) this is the operational area of the 345th MF Co., combined with guerrilla units. Rating	
1800		J-8	141800	Journal Closed.	
1801		J-1	141801	Journal Open.	
1805		J-2	141805	Evening weather report.	
1900		J-3	141900	Mieu Bong To BB-3: Reports that one VC Co of 150 men equipped with 1 60mm, 5 BAR's and wearing grey and black uniforms is located at AT 997645, BT 004648, Mission to attack USMC at Duong Son AT 994669 and BT 003668. Commanded by one Khan Lam. This unit has been seen operating in the vic of AT 960645. Will approach USMC Via Tan Hanh 9965, Ratine C-3.	
1901		J-4	141901	Mieu Bong To BB-3: Reports 15 VC belonging to Da Nang element with 1 BAR and SA's and an undetermined number of guerrillas of Hoa Da are hiding in Man Quang BT 033687. May move to Hoa Da to harass USMC units. Rating B-2.	
1945		J-5	141945	SW-1 To BB-2: Plt at La Bong (3) AT 963578 reported receiving 15 rounds sniper fire from AT 962677. No action taken.	
2040		J-6	142040	Mieu Dong To BB-3: Reports receiving from HV Special Sector that one VC Bn designated at the 344 hiding at BT 034680, BT 077666, Bt 057645. Intentions unknown. Rating C-3	
2150		J-7	142150	SW-K To BB-3: At AT 955665 reported one grenade thrown into Kilo's C.P. Returned fire with 6 rounds SA. Negative result. No casualties.	
0700		J-8	150700	Morning weather report.	
1035		J-9	151035	SW-K To BB-3: K patrol 4 at AT 952655 received approx 20 rounds SA fire from 5 VC vic AT 953648. Fire returned. Patrol attempting to engage VC. Report to follow.	

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1100		J-10	151100	SW-I To BB-3: At AT 971662 reports receiving 10 rounds SA fire from vic AT 971659. No casualties. Returned fire, have patrol dispatched to investigate. Neg results.	S
1200		J-11	151200	BB-F To BB-3: Patrol at AT 996646 received 50 rounds SA fire and one grenade from vic AT 998645. Estimated 10 VC with SA and 3 BAR's. Returned fire, estimated 2 VC WIA.	S
1800		J-12	151800	Journal Closed.	
1801		J-1	151801	Journal Open.	
1805		J-2	151805	Evening weather report.	
0700		J-3	160700	Mornine weather report.	
1755		J-4	161755	BB-F To BB-3: Reported patrol blew ten fighting holes, two of which had secondary esplosions with black smoke, twice the size of a grenade, at vic AT 999653. 5 gates, one which was boobytrapped in vic GS 9965/0065. All houses vacant with five people in area.	
1800		J-5	161800	Journal Closed.	
1801		J-1	161801	Journal Open.	
1805		J-2	161805	Evening weather report.	
2000		J-3	162000	HVIDH To BB-3: Strong indications that one VC Co. moved into An Trac (2) AT 969654 during the past 24 hours. One VC Co. presently in An Trac (2). Rating B-2.	
0700		J-4	170700	Morning weather report.	
1600		J-5	171600	IP To BB-3: At AT 955648 a tunnel leading into river was found. Tunnel was blown with 5 pounds of C-4. Patrol went through n Trac (2), nothing unusual.	
1800		J-6	171800	Journal Closed.	
1801		J-1	171801	Journal Open.	
1805		J-2	171805	Evening weather report.	
2020		J-3	172020	BB-2 To Sen-2: Trafficability report: Condition of Hwy #1 Excellent, Road from Regiment to Bn CP - Good, Trails through rice paddies - Poor, Trails in villages - Fair.	

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0700		J-4	180700	Morning weather report.	S.
1000		J-5	181000	SW-K To BB-3: A platoon patrol at AT 952651 received approx ten rounds small arms from east of river at AT 958647. One Marine WIA. Med evac. Returned fire and enemy broke contact.	
1140		J-6	181140	SW-K To BB-3: Patrol at AT 954650 received undetermined amount of small arms fire from AT 956648. Returned with small arms and M-79 rounds. M-79 round hit VC in the chest, one VC DIA, could not get to body across river. Patrol has one VN female with a heel blown off, uncertain as to who caused injury or how it happened. Report to follow upon patrol return.	S.
1435		J-7	181435	Sen-2 To BB-2: Special report from HVIDH LnO. Be informed that one VC Co that moved from direction of village of Phanh Thuy to BT 077665 which is near Hai An hamlet. They are armed with one 60mm mortar, MG's and numerous rifles. Another Co is hiding at Ha Phanh, Phanh Trung village. Dien Ban District. Do not know activity yet. You are informed for precaution and action.	S.
1600		J-8	181600	SW-I To BB-3: At AT 972663 Swain I received approx 25 SA rounds from two positions, two VC at AT 972660 and 2 VC at AT 969663. Unit returned fire at AT 972660, and sent out patrol to 969663 due to friendly vietnamese in area. VC broke contact.	S.
1600		J-9	181600	Patrol observed six armed VC at BT 013648 from a distance of 1000 meters. VC headed SE into tree line. Patrol attempt to regain contact.	S.
1720		J-10	181720	Sen-2 To BB-3: Report from CIT agent dated 15 Dec that La Chau Hamlet AT 955676 is expected to be attacked by VC because of USMC units blocking supply line. Supply line connects VC units in lowland plains and mountain areas at Son Ga at AT 882613 and Dong Nghe at AT 882653, there are large rice storage facilities.	S.
1800		J-11	181800	Journal Closed.	
1801		J-1	181801	Journal Open.	
1805		J-2	181805	Evening weather report.	S.

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1850		J-3	181850	Shove-2 To BB-2: Reports hamlet at BT 002618 is used as a S shelter for wounded VC, and also as a rest center for other VC troops. One VC company, and additional guerrillas, are used to guard the Hamlet. Hamlet is closed to villagers, 2000 kilo's of rice are stored in hamlet in following houses: Tran To, Tran Thieu, Phan Kham. Rating F-6. Message dated 15 Dec 65.	
0080		J-4	190080	BB-34 To BB-3: H&S Company security at AT 992678 observed a man in rice paddies at AT 992678. Security fired one hand illum; twelve rounds SA, and one grenade. Two rounds of 81mm illumination was fired and area was checked with negative results.	
0700		J-5	190700	Morning weather report.	
1500		J-6	191500	BB-G To BB-3: Reports that on 121300H saw four VC at approx 750 yards away with M-70 sniper rifle. Fired one round and saw one man fall. One VC KIA. Location of Sniper team was BT 145305.	
1605		J-7	191605	BB-F To BB-3: FP1 reported blowing two boobytrapped gates S at AT 998643. No casualties.	
1800		J-8	191800	Journal Closed.	
1801		J-1	191801	Journal Open.	
1805		J-2	191805	Evening weather report.	
0700		J-3	200700	Morning weather report.	
0900		J-4	200900	Bridge #1 To BB-3: Reported finding one VC flag at AT 995696. Flag was not boobytrapped.	
1013		J-5	201013	BB-E To BB-3: Capt LING reports that Ha Dong bridge has a VC banner flying from it, and that they were checking for booby traps. (AT 990642).	
1112		J-6	201112	Sen-2 To BB-2: The 44th PAVN Bn has moved to vic Lac Thanh Dong (AT 955587), Giad An (955570) AT 947598, and AT 943590. The Bn moved into this area 17 Dec at 0400H. Bn presently digging fortifications and foxholes. equipped with 3 mortars, 3 MG, 9 Auto weapons, 3 rockets, This Bn is reported to be part of PAVN Regt, commanded by Lam Den. He is a Lt Col	

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				who is VN and Indian. Strength 400. A P.F. Lt attached to Bound rates this as B-1. Agent left area because Marines would shell area with mortars. Bound says 44th Bn was previously reported at AT 8066 by the same source on 5 Dec 65. A.O. has been requested to check area. G-2 rates this as F-3.	
2115		J-7	202115	Sen-2 To BB-2: Hieu Doc LnO reports agent received a message that two VC Co's with one 81mm mortar and one 60mm mortar. Companies came from Dia Loc Dic. These companies are stoppin people from leaving Dia Loc Dic. Reason unknow. Some of the VC are living in the district area. VC are concentrating troops to attack hill 41 and 42, to harrass USMC operations in both areas. Rated B-3 by Hieu Doc = Police Chief 1/1. G-2 Commented this was same area in which I Co encountered VC at 201020H. Rated F-3 by Shove.	
1800		J-8	201800	Journal Closed.	
1801		J-1	201801	Journal Open.	
1805		J-2	201805	Evening weather report.	S.
1810		J-3	201810	BB-2 To BB-3: At AT 995678 reports that they received incoming Carbine fire of 10-15 rounds from vic AT 993674. No action taken. No casualties.	S.
0407		J-4	210407	Mieu Bong To BB-3: Received 12 incoming mortars at Quang Giang (1) from vic BT 014663. Marines at Bo Bung (1) illum with unknown results. Estimate 1 VC plt hit in Duong Son (3) at AT 993670. Hit from south killed 3 VC. Demonstration now forming up in Duong Son (3).	S.
0700		J-5	210700	Morning weather report.	S.
1745		J-6	211745	Mieu Bong To BB-3: Reports that 2 VC Co's of the 305th VC Bn. commanded by Noo Thanh, 4 MG's, 16 BAR's, and numerous small arms, located in Diem Son Hamlet (AT 960645) also nurses are with Co's, and they also have people to carry stretchers for evacuation, they are reported to be digging trenches from Cam Dien Son to An Trach, their purpose is to attack us units tonight (21 Dec), 59th Bn. Rates message as B-1.	S.
1800		J-7	211800	Journal Closed.	
1801		J-1	211801	Journal Open.	

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1805		J-2	211805	Evening weather report.	S
1830		J-3	211830	BB-2 To Sen-2: PF Forces at school house at AT 981687 arrive at BB CP and reported being attacked by an estimated VC Co from the north south and east. Largest group attacked from east to west. FP forces left school house area. Reported VC moved northwest to FP platoon located at Cam Ne (4) AT 971693 FP platoon in that area dispersed. Coordination now being made with Mieu Bong for support of school house. PF KIA estimate three. VC KIA unknown. Bn S-2 Comment: Possibl 1 platoon VC involved in attack.	
2115		J-4	212115	Bridge #1 To BB-2: Have found two bamboo trees tied together with VC propaganda on it. Will send it in, in the morning.	
2140		J-5	212140	Bridge #1 To BB-2: A ARVN Lt at Bridge #1 notified our unit there of an intelligence report from a special intelligence service in DaNang that the VC will attempt to blow Bridge #1 within the next 5 days.	
2300		J-6	212300	BB-H To BB-3: Reports Med Evac for 4 KIA and 2 WIA being made due to earlier VC activity reported 211830H.	
0700		J-7	220700	Morning weather report.	S
0735		J-8	220735	BB-E To BB-3: Reports that a member of the youth force from Hoa Ta village AT 999712 was executed last night by 2 VC who came from the East.	
1120		J-9	221120	BB-Y To BB-2: 106 platoon Sgt at BT 032643 found a VC flag as he was proceeding back to Hwy #1 received one round SA fire.	
1410		J-10	221410	BB-E To BB-2: Reports that three men attivc BT 052717 fired approx 9 rounds SA fire at a squad of Marines (BT05271 and then ran into a hamlet at BT 052716. Marine squad is searching area. No casualties.	
1700		J-11	221700	BB-E To BB-2: PAT team that is with E Co reported that the 344th VC battalion will move into villages at BT 052717.	
1730		J-12	221730	Sen-2 To BB-2: Reports 1 VC plt in area BT 039678, believed to be ready to hit Hoa Da village tonight. 1 VC Co along edge of river banks at AT 953645 to AT 965665 believed to be same unit that attacked Cam Ne last night.	

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1800		J-13	221800	Journal Closed.	
1801		J-1	221801	Journal Open.	
1805		J-2	221805	Morning weather report.	S
1911		J-3	221911	BB-F To BB-2: Reports a suspected underwater bridge at AT 987637.	S
2010		J-4	222010	Sen-2 To BB-2: Meiu Bong reports a Ranger Bn. vic BT 038630S was hit by an estimated two VC Companies. Ranger Bn. Took 4 KIA's and VC where headed N.W.	S
2135		J-5	222135	Sen-2 To BB-2: Shove-2 reports that at Hoi An (BT 025630) one 3/4 truck and one jeep was ambushed by an estimated VC squad. Report noted two vehicles contained 25 people. No VC casualties reported. G-2 Comment: This action appeared to originate from report of 39 Ranger Bn on contact with 2 VC Companies in Vic of Thein Quat bridge, 3 ARVN KIA, 4 ARVN WIA. One M-79 lost.	S
2225		J-6	222225	Mieu Dong To BB-2: Report from HVDH that one VC Co hidding in Viem Tay (BT 010645). Rated B-3 by HVDH. Two VC squads at La Nong (AT 970668) plan to attack pacification Cadre in La Bong. Rated B-3 by HVDH. One VC Plt in vic Man Quang (BT 036688). VC unit is monitoring HV operations in Hoa Da. Rated B-2 by HVDH.	S
2335		J-7	222335	BB-E To BB-2: Echo ambush at BT 044724 fired one M-79 round into rubbish pile floating down the river, resulting in 1 Marine WIA. Estimated that explosion was greater then hand grenade.	S
0700		J-8	230700	Morning weather report.	S
1025		J-9	231025	Sen-2 To BB-2: Mieu Bong Liaison Officer reports number B-1 agent at Hoa Loi reports that the 305th VC battalion is moving into Diem Son AT 960645 in order to ambush and mortar USMC positions. The Battalion is commanded by Mr Phan. They have mortars and BAR's, and their uniforms are black and grey. On the night of 21 Dec the VC burned down An Trach (AT 968668) market. The VC forbid the people to use the area, and promised the people that they will attack and occupy USMC positions at Le Son (AT 974660) and La Chow (AT 985667).	S

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1030	J-10		231030	Shove-2 To BB-2: Reports that 51st ARVN at Hoi An told them that villagers saw 50-75 VC occupied positions at AT 988567, AT 986565, AT 990568, AT 991563, AT 994564.	S.
1525	J-11		231525	Shove-2 To BB-2: Lia O reports one VC platoon hiding at BT 035588 in order to observe friendly activity in area. Agent reports VC are digging in. Liaison officer from Hoa Vang. Report rated B-2. Dated 231312H.	S.
1410	J-12		231410	HVIDH To BB-2: Agent reports 1 VC Co located BT 010645, 2 squads located at AT 967670. Mission to mortar pacification headquarters in La Bong (1). Rated F-3.	S.
1630	J-13		231630	BB-H To BB-3: Demo team blew one Chicom hand grenade and one M-79 round with demolitions at AT 980688. Blew with C-4.	S.
1800	J-14		231800	Journal Closed.	
1801	J-1		231801	Journal Open.	
1805	J-2		231805	Evening weather report.	S.
1945	J-3		231945	BB-F To BB-2: At 1845 OP with sniper rifle at Ha Dong bridgeS. at AT 991641, saw one VC at AT 994634 and fired 2 rounds. Results unknown. Shortly after saw one VC at AT 997641 who appeared to be carrying a weapon. Fired two rounds. Results unknown. As OP started to return they received approx 10 rounds SA from 2 VC in Ha Dong vic AT 992652. Returned with 10 M-79 and approx 40 M-14 rounds. Results unknown.	S.
1958	J-4		231958	Sen-3 To BB-2: RF unit made contact at BT 015661. Two VC KIA, one Carbine captured. PG is illum.	S.
2000	J-5		240700	Morning weather report.	S.
2050	J-6		240950	Swain-2 To BB-2: PAT team received information at La Bong (1) and Cam Ne (3). They stated that VC told villagers in Cam Ne (4) that they would be back to Cam Ne (4) tonight at 1700. There are 40 VC in this group and they have at least 1 MG and quite a few automatic weapons. PAT team receive this information from more than one individual.	S.
2055	J-7		240955	BB-H To BB-2: At 0830H Two VCS apprehended by PF's at 0630H S. in Yen Ne (2) AT 980685. Were turned over to BB-H, no ID for further disposition. Forwarded to ITT.	S.

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1055		J-8	241055	BB-F To BB-3: Patrol searching in Bich Bac coord AT986632 S. received 10-15 rounds from vic AT 989635. Returned fire with 5-60mm HE and 4-60mm WP rounds and approx 60 rounds SA fire.	
1245		J-9	241245	BB-F To BB-3: Patrol destroyed 5 bamboo boats approx 10' S. long at AT 987637 and at AT 985635 destroyed with TNT 3 dirt and bamboo bunkers, 1 cave, 1 tunnel entrance. Reason for destroying boats was because the VC were using them to cross the river.	
1115		J-10	241115	BB-H To BB-2: Apprehended 1 VCS at Cam Ne (2) for lack of ID. Forwarded to HVDH.	S.
1415		J-11	241415	BB-F To BB-3: FP2 at vic BT 004655 blew 5 gates, 3 fences, S. 3 tunnels with 1 fence having a secondary explosion estimated as 5 lbs of TNT with black smoke and gases.	
1800		J-12	241800	Journal Closed.	
1801		J-1	241801	Journal Open.	
1802		J-2	241802	BB-F To BB-3: Found a 20' long tunnel with a trap door at S. AT 989660. Blew tunnel with 14 lbs of C-4 at 241730H. No secondary explosions.	
1805		J-3	241805	Evening weather report.	S.
0700		J-4	250700	Morning weather report.	S.
1040		J-5	251040	Sen-2 To BB-2: Air Officer reports a trench line being dug at AT 995626 near the railroad. Trench near hill #55; one man is working, and seems to be new trench.	S.
1055		J-6	251055	Sen-2 To BB-2: Approx 20 people with boats digging a trench near river at AT 918709.	
1115		J-7	251115	BB-F To BB-3: At AT 986662 received one round SA fire from 981660. No action taken, area is under observation.	
1150		J-8	251150	Sen-2 To BB-2: Air Officer reports complete road cut and S. three partial cuts at AT 027575 on Hwy #14. Road block sited at AT 961584 consists of brush and lumber. Report dated 251000H Dec 65.	

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1510		J-9	251510	Mieu Dong To BB-3: A Mieu Dong Ranger truck detonated a mine at BT 041624.	S.
1800		J-10	251800	Journal Closed.	
1801		J-1	251801	Journal Open.	
1805		J-2	251805	Evening weather report.	S.
1806		J-3	251806	BB-F To BB-3: Received three rounds Carbine fire from approx coord AT 992657. No action taken.	S.
2155		J-4	252155	BB-Y To BB-3: Received eight rounds SA fire from approx coord AT 986680. No action taken.	S.
0700		J-5	260700	Morning weather report.	S.
1710		J-6	261710	Sen-2 To BB-2: Mieu Bong Ln0 261650H Intelligence team Phong Phu reports a VC Bn dispersed at the following coord AT 983608, AT 974601, AT 977607, AT 982603. Rated F-3 By Sen-2.	S.
1715		J-7	261715	BB-G To BB-3: At BT 031660 received 5 rounds SA fire from S. BT 036649. No casualties, no fire returned.	S.
1800		J-8	261800	Journal Closed.	
1801		J-1	261801	Journal Open.	
1805		J-2	261805	Evening weather report.	S.
1820		J-3	261820	BB-F To BB-3: Two LVT-E1 fired charges at 1700H at vic AT 990649. Two secondary explosions, one estimated to be 10 lbs TNT, one estimated to be 50 lbs TNT. No report as to color of smoke or magnitude of explosions.	S.
2040		J-4	262040	BB-F To BB-3: Report receiving fire at AT 990643 approx 7 rounds SA from AT 992639. Also at AT 986664 unit received approx 15 rounds SA fire from AT 990657. Tank returned fire with 1 90mm and 10 50Cal. rounds. No fire returned by the infantry. No Marine Casualties, Unknown VC casualties.	S.
2215		J-5	262215	Sen-2 To BB-2: Dien Bem Sub section reports 2 VC Co's located at BT 036622 and BT 046633. No rating.	S.

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0107		J-6	270107	Sen-2 To BB-2:	Information derived from Spot Report 261500 S. from Red Wood suggests the possibility of 1 VC Plt in area of GS BT 0465. S-2 Comment: Appears to be a local force because of the fact of no Automatic weapons involved.	
0600		J-7	270600	BB-E To BB-2:	Approx 1000 meters from LOD vic BT 027638 S. found one road block. Bamboo cross ties covered by grass.	
0625		J-8	270625	BB-E To BB-2:	Approx 50 meters past 3rd road block found S. one VC spying on us, killed same. Approx coord BT 020637. Preceeding towards objective, whole area lined with trenches.	
0700		J-9	270700	Morning weather report.		S
0730		J-10	270730	BB-E To BB-2:	Received SA fire from vic BT 010633. Returned SA fire VC broke contact. Continued towards objective. One USMC WIA.	
0815		J-11	270815	BB-E To BB-2:	Reported that a house at BT 007618 had a S. Helo design with Anti American writings.	
0915		J-12	270915	BB-E To BB-2:	Did not capture VC but picked up French rifles. 30 Cal. at BT 008617. VC fled into under growth.	
0921		J-13	270921	BB-E To BB-2:	Reports 10 men are having irritation of the S. eyes and throat from gas of undetermined source and nature vic BT 007614. PG-E not using gas.	
1230		J-14	271230	Sen-6 To BB-3:	Request to have as many caves searched as possible before destroying.	S O
0950 Late Entry		J-15	270950	BB-E To BB-2:	Reports receiving gas, very strong, vic Coord BT 006614.	S
1015 Late Entry		J-16	271015	BB-E To BB-2:	One VC KIA at BT 007618. Same man that dropped rifle in report of 270915.	
1120 Late Entry		J-17	271120	BB-H To BB-2:	Are blowing as many trenches as they encounter in vic coord AT 977613.	
1305		J-18	271305	Sen-2 To BB-2:	1 VC Bn with 300 men located at AT 950640. S.	
1605		J-19	271605	BB-E To BB-3:	1 Marine KIA from SA fire at AT 996607. S. Evacuated to C&C.	

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1610		J-20	271610	BB-E To BB-2: At vic AT 997614 received SA fire and automatic weapons fire from AT 996607. Returned fire with arty. 5 fire for effects. 2 VC KIA.	
1650		J-21	271650	BB-H To BB-2: Apprehended one VCS at AT 991634. VCS is S. willing to tell who are VC in that area.	
1533		J-22	271533	BB-G To BB-2: Destroyed 2 automatic weapons positions and S. filled 12 fighting holes, at BT 005630.	
1800		J-23	271800	Journal Closed.	
1801		J-1	271801	Journal Open.	
1805		J-2	271805	Evening weather report.	
2040		J-3	272040	BB-Y To BB-3: Receiving SA fire into CP coord AT 993678. S. Estimated 6-8 VC with Carbines and one BAR.	
2045		J-4	272045	BB-Y To BB-2: Bunker #1 reported seeing a green star cluster at Bridge #3.	
2100		J-5	272100	BB-F To BB-3: F-2 at AT 995688 and RVN at AT 995687 were S. attacked simultaneously by an estimated 20-35 VC who were firing automatic weapons from AT 996687 and throwing grenades from AT 997689. Returned fire with M-79 and SA. Firing at muzzle flashes. VC ceased fire after Marines returned fire.	
2225		J-6	272225	BB-F To BB-3: F-2 squad at AT 995688 received 25 rounds SA S fire from AT 996687. Returned fire and illuminated area, firing ceased.	
0700		J-7	280700	Morning weather report.	S.
1800		J-8	281800	Journal Closed.	S.
1801		J-1	281801	Journal Open.	
1805		J-2	281805	Evening weather report.	S
2115		J-3	282115	PS LnO To BB-3: Report 2 PAT were KIA in Hamlet Thon S. Thung Loung BT 043723. This incident occurred in the area which was vacated by E-2/9 before moving south. Plan was instead of sending more troops into Hamlet, PAT was instructed to move to Hamlet Con Cau BT 035725 for protection by a PP Plt at night. PAT failed to do so tonight. Mieu Bong learned of incident when PAT moved into Mieu Bong. Incident took place at 281900H.	

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2220		J-4	282220	BB-F To BB-3:	Platoon at Ha Dong bridge (AT 990641 received 15 rounds SA fire from vicinity AT 991637. Platoon returned fire with 5-60mm rounds and approx 30 SA rounds. Enemy fire ceased, no casualties.	
0700		J-5	290700	Morning weather report.		
1100		J-6	291100	BB-F To BB-3:	Marine filling trench at AT 990637 was WIA by shrapnel from exploding boobytrap. Boobytrap was believed to be a M-26 fragmentation grenade. Blew tunnels and fight holes at AT 989634 with one banglo torpedo and 110 lbs C-4.	
1800		J-7	291800	Journal Closed.		
1801		J-1	291801	Journal Open.		
1805		J-2	291805	Evening weather report.		
2110		J-3	292110	BB-F To BB-3:	E Co patrol at BT 039718 received approx 8 SA rounds fire from BT 039724. Patrol fired a green flare with negative results. No fire returned due to friendly units in the area.	
2240		J-4	292240	Sen-Baily to BB-3:	Reports 2 VC companies at BT 003628 and BT 015619 and a VC battalion at BT 003613. No rating.	
0700		J-5	300700	Morning weather report.		
1005		J-6	301005	BB-F To BB-2:	Reports 2 villagers came into their position this morning who were wounded. They stated that they came from La Son (3) vic AT 969645, and that a Co of VC were there the 28th. Said VC wore khaki clothing with shorts. All were armed.	
1115		J-7	301115	BB-F To BB-3:	FP1 at AT 996635 received heavy automatic weapons fire; approx 300 SA and 150 automatic, from BT 00163. Returned fire with 5 LAAW's, 3-3.5 WP, 12-15 M-79's, 450 lin rounds, and 600 SA 7.62 rounds, and 40 rounds HE and WP Arty. Enemy fire ceased, area checked with negative results, no C-8	
1125		J-8	301125	Sen-2 To BB-2:	Special intelligence information: Iron Tree reports that engineers attached to Iron Tree uncovered 4 C-ration cans buried 4" underground at BT 069689 on 27 dec 65. On 28 Dec 65 one wheel hub 6" in diameter made of castiron was uncovered in vic BT 067682. On 30 Dec 65 1 additional wheel hub same area was uncovered. One pint can of oil thinner	

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partially empty was found under wheel hub and an empty ink bottle was found on top. Both wheel hubs were buried. VC trend may be to try and determine which area are searched and items collected. May also be anticipating employing new type boobytrap and detonating devices.

1430 J-9 301430 BB-F To BB-2: Reports policeman who was with Fox Co was caught stealing chow and a grenade from a bunker. He also would leave area every morning around 0600. He was taken to Mieu Dong for interrogation.

1745 J-10 301745 BB-F To BB-3: Patrol sent south of river found a metal punji stake. They pulled up punji and found some C-4 (amount unknown) and a M-79 grenade. They also found two fragmentation hand grenades at BT 996636 and BT 995642. All were destroyed.

1800 J-11 301800 Journal Closed.

1801 J-1 301801 Journal Open.

1805 J-2 301805 Evening weather report.

1920 J-3 301920 Mieu Bong To BB-2: Reports people from Cam Ne complex moved into Yen Ne (3) AT 979679 and told the PAT people that there were many VC in Cam Ne (1) and (2) (AT 979686).

0700 J-4 310700 Morning weather report.

1050 J-5 311050 Sen-2 To BB-2: Received information from a old man in Man Quang (1). Information to Iron Tree, rated F-6 by Iron tree. 50 VC are digging in across river from Man Quang (1) Vic BT 035687. Location of diggings, Liem Lac (1) BT 028684, and Mieu Dong (2) BT 028681.

1020 J-6 311020 Sen-2 To BB-2: Shove-3 reports area of Thanh Quyt BT 043-621 was hit by 9 rounds 60mm mortar and SA fire. No casualties. Advise don't use road in that area Quahg Ham special sector requests on one use road.

1105 J-7 311105 BB-Y To BB-2: Sniper fired one round into Bn CP from unknown location. Sending out scout sniper team to check area.

1250 J-8 311250 BB-Y To BB-2: Received one more round from same sniper in message 311105. Scout sniper team still in area.

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1440	J-9	311440	BB-2 To BB: At 1440H while on a Helo recon BB-2 observed 100-150 persons wearing black clothing with white straw coolie hats gathered at BT 092652.	
1445	J-10	311445	BB-2 To BB: Scout sniper team returned with negative contact. Reports ARVN are in the area.	
1800	J-11	311800	Journal Closed.	
1801	J-1	311801	Journal Open.	
1805	J-2	311805	Evening weather report.	
2015	J-3	312015	BB-F To BB-2: Company F at AT 990642 reports receiving 3 rounds sniper fire from Ha Dong at AT 995642 and 3 rounds sniper fire from AT 994636. Returned 20 60mm rounds, 12 SA rounds, 3 90mm rounds, and 5 M-79 rounds. Sniping ceased, no casualties.	
2400	J-4	312400	Journal closed for the month of December 1965.	

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TIME IN GUT	SER NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	M.S.T.
0001	1	010001	Journal opened	
0030	2	010030	12-12 - 12-3. Patrol 3 has departing.	✓P
0040	3	010040	12-16 - 12-3. AMW assigned to Co B were caught stealing a radio and field jacket. Capt 602 requested they be taken from his company.	✓P
0100	4	010040	12-12 - 12-3. Patrol 3 is at checkpoint 3.	✓P
0140	5	010050	AMW activity received msg from III MAF that there were no lights at base of Harkill Min and no lights on perimeter. Previous occurrence was 31 June when base was lit.	✓P
0215	6	0100245	12-12 - 12-3. Patrol 3 is at checkpoint 3.	✓P
0315	7	0100305	12-12 - 12-3. Patrol 3 is at checkpoint 4.	✓P
0340	8	0100340	12-12 - 12-3. Patrol 3 has returned. Patrol 4 has departed.	✓P
0410	9	0100410	12-12 - 12-3. Patrol 4 is at checkpoint 1.	✓P
0530	10	0100530	12-12 - 12-3. Patrol 4 arrived checkpoints 2 & 2.	✓P
0600	11	0100530	12-12 - 12-3. Patrol 4 is at checkpoint 4.	✓P
0605	12	0100535	12-12 - 12-3. Patrol 4 has returned.	✓P
0715	13	0100715	12-12 - 12-3. Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 6.	✓P
0815	14	0100815	12-12 - 12-3. Patrol 5 is at checkpoint 2.	✓P
0915	15	0100915	12-12 - 12-3. Patrol 5 is at checkpoint 4.	✓P
0950	16	0100950	12-12 - 12-3. Patrol 5 is at checkpoint 1.	✓P
1010	17	0101010	12-12 - 12-3. Patrol 5 is at checkpoint 4.	✓P
1135	18	0101135	12-12 - 12-3. Patrol 6 has departed.	✓P
1205	19	0101205	12-12 - 12-3. Patrol 6 is at checkpoint 1.	✓P
1235	20	0101235	12-12 - 12-3. Ref by Reg Order 65-65. 202008 Nov, 2nd India Regs Opfor Fortification upon arrival of Fortification order. 2nd India Opfor Fortification will commence directed time 1200. 2nd India completes ref of 2nd India Regs Opfor at that point and assume responsibility of entire sector down by ref (b) to Reg Order 65-65 202008 Nov at that point and on order this bkg. 2nd India regts to assume Opfor and new boundaries (b) into effect.	✓P

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO.	IFG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	M. S. T.
1300		21	011300	12-7 - 12-3. Patrol 6 is at checkpoint 2.	✓P
1350		22	011350	12-7 - 12-3. Patrol 6 is at checkpoint 3.	✓P
1351		23	011351	12-7 - 12-3. Patrol 6 is at checkpoint 4.	✓P
1435		24	011435	12-7 - 12-3. One squad required tonight.	✓P
1503		25	011500	12-7 - 12-3. Patrol 6 is at checkpoint 5.	✓P
1505		26	011505	12-7 - 12-3. Patrol 7 is at checkpoint 1.	✓P
1510		27	011510	12-7 - 12-3. Patrol 6 has returned.	✓P
1550		28	011550	12-7 - 12-3. Patrol 7 is at checkpoint 2.	✓P
1625		29	011625	12-7 - 12-3. Patrol 7 is at checkpoint 3.	✓P
1630		30	011630	Journal closed.	

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1800	2	011800		Journal opened	
1805	2	011805		BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 7 returned. Patrol 1 departed. S/F	
1845	3	011845		BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 1.	S/F
1909	4	011909		BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 3 returned.	S/F
2115	5	012115		Hoa Vang - BB-3. Armored column patrol tonight will follow normal route.	S/F
2120	6	012120		BB-E - BB-3. Post 6 reports 35 rds automatic fire between posts 4 and 5. South-westerly direction of fire. Coord of fire - MT 020738. Patrol sent out to investigate.	S/F
2125	7	012125		BB-G - BB-3. Patrol 1 arrived patrol base.	S/F
2130	8	012130		BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 2 has departed.	S/F
2135	9	012135		Hoa Vang - BB-3. 2 ARVN river boat patrols reported doing the firing. On routine patrols. Not known what they were firing at.	S/F
2145	10	012145		BB-G - BB-3. Patrol 2 departed patrol base.	S/F
2150	11	012150		BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 2 arrived checkpoint 1.	S/F
2155	12	012155		BB-G - BB-3. 5 burst auto-fire seen to north east. Could not estimate distance. (Same as reported by Golf)	S/F
2226	13	012226		BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 2 is at checkpoint 2.	S/F
2253	14	012253		BB-F - BB-3. Post 21 reports 1 incoming round from north. Muzzle flash unseen.	S/F
2303	15	012303		BB-F - BB-3. Post 19 reports vehicle accident.	S/F MP's
2325	16	012325		BB-E - BB-3. Patrol dispatched at 012120 reported back with negative results.	S/F
2329	17	012329		BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 1 departed IP.	S/F
2330	18	012330		Trip flare set off behind BB-6 quarters from unknown cause. Located eastern fence of BB CP perimeter. Reaction forces called and are sweeping inter-perimeter.	S/F
2355	19	012355		BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 1 has returned.	S/F
2358	20	012358		BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 4 is at checkpoint 3.	S/F
0030	21	010030		BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 4 is at checkpoint 4.	S/F
0045	22	010045		BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 2 is at checkpoint 1.	S/F

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TIME IN CUT	Ser NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M, S, T,
0050	23	020050	BL-F - BB-3. Patrol 2 has returned.	S/F
0720	24	020720	BL-F - BB-3. Patrol 5 has departed.	S/F
0755	25	020755	BL-F - BB-3. Patrol 5 is at checkpoint 1.	S/F
0850	26	020850	Sen 3 - BB-3. On or about 5 Dec 1965, boats will be redistributed as follows: Aluminum boats - Frontree 2, BB 3; Swain 2. Wooden boats, Frontree 3; BB 4; Swain 3. By copy of this message Sen 4 requested to make redistribution.	S/F
1000	27	021000	Red Beach needs 2 sqds for pipeline tonight.	S/D/T
1030	28	021030	BL-F - BB-3. Patrol 5 checkpoint 3. Neg contact checkpoint 2.	S/F
1120	29	021120	Sen 3 - BB-3. Beginning today, 5 foot searchlight on 6x6 is available for general support of Senator units. Initially will be located light ground Swain GP on trial basis. Available for direct and indirect illum, by request to Sen 3. Potential use with direct illum are: RR Bridge, CAM LE BACH bridge, river barrier, (AT 971699), RR MSR, Hill 22, Hill 41. Indirect illum should prove feasible for Swain and Fertilizer forward positions. Swain men and provide operators. Units keep usage record.	S/F
1310	30	021310	BL-F - BB-3. Patrol 6 is at checkpoint 2.	S/F
1420	31	021420	BL-F - BB-3. Patrol 6 is at checkpoint 3.	S/F
1421	32	021421	BL-F - BB-3. Patrol 7 is departing.	S/F
1450	33	021450	BL-G - BB-3. IP 3 has departed.	S/F
1500	34	021500	BL-F - BB-3. Patrol 7 is at checkpoint 1.	S/F
1505	35	021505	BL-I - BB-3. Patrol 3 at checkpoint 1.	S/F
1525	36	021525	BL-JL - BB-3. Btel is in position and has assumed responsibility for Company TAOR.	S/F
1537	37	021537	Fertilizer 1 - BB-3. Patrol 3 is at checkpoint 2.	S/F
1635	38	021635	BL-F - BB-3. Patrol 7 is at checkpoint 2.	S/F
1640	39	021640	Fertilizer 3 - BB-3. IP3 is at checkpoint 3.	S/F
1800	40	021800	Journal closed.	S/F

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1800		1	021800	Journal Opened.	
1805		2	021805	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 1 has departed.	S/P
1822		3	021822	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 1 at checkpoint 1.	S/P
1825		4	021825	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 3 has returned.	S/P
1850		5	021850	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 has departed.	S/P
1905		6	021905	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 at checkpoint 1.	S/P
2000		7	022000	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 1 at checkpoint 1.	S/P
2030		8	022030	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 1 at checkpoint 3.	S/P
2103		9	022103	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 has departed CP.	S/P
2130		10	022130	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 at checkpoint 3.	S/P
2135		11	022135	Searchlight 2 at Post # 5. Will remain there for approx two (2) hrs.	S/P
2235		12	022235	BB-K - BB-3. Patrol 1 has returned.	S/P
2300		13	022300	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 2 has departed.	S/P
2320		14	022320	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 3 at checkpoint 4.	S/P
2400		15	022400	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 3 has departed.	S/P
0100		16	030100	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 has returned. Patrol 2 at checkpoint 1.	S/P
0110		17	030110	BB-G - BB-3. Patrol 3 at checkpoint 1.	S/P
0235		18	030235	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 3 at checkpoint 3.	S/P
0325		19	030325	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 4 has departed.	S/P
0330		20	030330	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 3 has returned.	S/P
0400		21	030400	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 4 at checkpoint 2.	S/P
0525		22	030525	AF Security - BB-3. Reports that one (1) Marine helo crashed approx 400 meters south of the Textile Factory, BB-6. Req security force.	S/P
0530		23	030530	BB-3 - BB-E. Notified to dispatch sqd sized security force to downed helo (BT 011733).	S/P
0555		24	030555	BB-E - BB-3. Dispatched sqd sized security force to downed helo (BT 011733).	S/P BB-6
0657		25	030657	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 4 has returned.	S/P

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TIME IN	CUT	Ser NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
				C. Contact sector units to form right to left. Sector units report when & where contact acted. Right & adjacent units. Report also location of coordinate units down to & including companies.	
1600		42	021600	DD-3 - 16-3. Two second responsibility of the 2/3 20th.	S/T
1630		43	021630	16-3 - 16-3. Check to me if any 20 patrols will be in the Arkansas area (12 021630) after 1700. Also if ARVAC patrol has left the area yet.	S/T
1655		44	021655	16-3 - 16-3. 22 will not patrol tonight, therefore there will be no overlay.	S/T
1700		45	021700	16-3 - 16-3. In 60's meeting w/ 16-6 at 021600 at 16-2.	S/T
1730		46	021730	16-3 - 16-3. Report vehicle moving south on RR but w/three (3) ARVAC wearing berets.	S/T
1745		47	021745	16-3 - 16-3. Track w/three (3) ARVAC to now heading south, will stop and question ARVAC & will notify DD-3 on results.	S/T
1757		48	021757	16-3 - 16-3. In ref to entry 47. ARVAC are Vietnamese Rangers looking for another sick Ranger. They were told to leave the area.	S/T
1800		49	021800	Journal Closed.	

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TIME IN 1800	SET NO.	ROUTINE DFC 1200	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, and Departed perimeter.	M. S/P/F
			Patrol 3 B now entering IP.	
1815	3	031815	BB-3 - BB-3. Patrol 3A is at checkpoint 3.	S/P
1850	4	031850	BB-1 - BB-3. Saw large explosion 3000 meters to our rear. Appears to be ammo bunker.	S/P
1851	5	031851	BB-3 - BB-3. Explosion reported earlier was 4KW disposing of old ammunition.	S/P
1900	6	031900	100 - BB-3. Mine detonated on Hwy 1 between Hieu Long and Tinh Quyt. Request information.	S/P
1900	7	031900	Fertilizer 1 - BB-3. Patrol 3C departed IP.	S/P
1905	8	031905	BB-1 - BB-3. Ambush 3A has departed.	S/P
1906	9	031906	Monne - BB-3. Received weather forecast.	S/P
2000	10	032000	BB-3 - BB-3. Relayed Info at Meulang report on mine explosion between Hieu Long and Tinh Quyt on Hwy 1.	S/P
2015	11	032015	Fertilizer 1 - BB-3. Scout sniper team has left.	S/P
2104	12	032104	Bridge 3 and Bridge 4 secure.	S/P
2155	13	032155	Stove 2 - BB-3. 3 VC located at N 002725. Armed with 60mm Mortars and 2 automatic weapons. Mission is to attack the Can training center for an diversionary effect on the air field. Patrol 3C by Stove 2.	S/P
2158	14	032158	Bridge 1 all secure.	S/P
2200	15	032200	Bridge 2 all secure.	
2200	16	032200	Fertilizer 1 - BB-3. Scout sniper team is at IP.	S/P
2245	17	032245	Bridge 3 all secure.	S/P
2300	18	032300	Bridge 1 all secure.	S/P
2307	19	032307	Fertilizer 1 - BB-3. Listening Post is at IP.	S/P
2350	20	032350	Bridge 3 all secure.	S/P
2400	21	032400	Bridge 1 all secure.	S/P
0005	22	040005	Stain 1 - BB-3. 3rd Rep - all secure.	S/P
0035	23	040035	Stain 1 - BB-3. Patrol 1 A has returned.	S/P
0049	24	040049	Bridge 1 all secure.	S/P
0050	25	040050	Bridge 3 all secure.	S/P

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Organization031800 - 041800H Nov 1965
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TIME IN	TIME OUT	Ser NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M, S, T,
0055		26	040055	BB-H - BB-3. Ambush A departing IP.	S/F
0105		27	040105	Warehouse I - BB-3. patrol 1 A has returned.	S/F
0128		28	040128	BB-H - BB-3. Ambush 3 A has returned.	S/F
0155		29	040155	Bridge 3 all secure.	S/F
0157		30	040157	Bridge 1 all secure.	S/F
0210		31	040210	Fertilizer K - BB-3. Listening post has returned.	S/F
0245		32	040245	Bridge 2 all secure.	S/F
0310		33	040310	Fertilizer K - BB-3. Patrol A departed IP.	S/F
0330		34	040330	Bridge 3 all secure.	S/F
0400		35	040400	Bridges 1 and 2 all secure.	S/F
0425		36	040425	Fertilizer K - BB-3. Patrol A has returned to IP.	S/F
0450		37	040450	Bridge 3 all secure.	S/F
0530		38	040530	BB-H - BB-3. Listening post B has returned.	S/F
0533		39	040533	BB-H - BB-3. Listening post A has returned.	S/F
0545		40	040545	BB-H - BB-3. Scout sniper team B has returned.	S/F
0600		41	040600	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol B has returned.	S/F
0605		42	040605	Engineers have cleared road from Hwy 1 to CP area.	S/F
0625		43	040625	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol A has returned to CP.	S/F
0630		44	040630	BB-H - BB-3. All patrols have returned.	S/F
0630		45	040630	BB-G - BB-3. All ambushes have returned.	S/F
0715		46	040715	Rosemont G - BB-3. OIC reports activity in AT 9963, ET 0363, AT 9962, ET 0362. Ordinary amount of farming and morning activities.	M/S/F
1015		47	041015	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 3 is at checkpoint 2.	S/F
1030		48	041030	Fertilizer K - BB-3. Have been relieved of area and are ready to move out.	S/F
1100		49	041100	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 4.	S/F
1112		50	041112	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 5.	S/F
1115		51	041115	BB-H - BB-3. Have secured LZ.	S/F
1125		52	041125	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 6.	S/F
1140		53	041140	PG-KG - PG-3. Lift complete except for supplies. KG has departed 1stPlt area. 1stPlt Cndr will assume call sign KG.	S/F
1140		54	041140	BB-E - BB-3. Echo 1 position ET 045715	M/S/F

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1200		55	041200	BB-E - BB-3. Echo 1 in position with supplies.	S/F
1231		56	041231	BB-E - BB-3. Request permission to fire sniper sniper rifles.	S/F
1215		57	041215	Eng - BB-3. Will explode demolitions in vic AT 988676, at 1300.	S/M/F
1350		58	041350	Muster 14 shutting down for 20 min due to weather. Will notify when back on position.	S/F
1400		59	041400	Muster 14 - BB-3. Must stay down due to visibility.	S/F
1630		60	041630	BB-34 - BB-3. Firing reported is from an ontos in the vic of bridge at AT 998707.	S/F
1650		61	041650	Lt BELCHER reports one ontos stuck at AT 991686. Ontos commander is attempting to get it pulled out.	M/S/F
1745		62	041745	Liaison NCO at MIEU DONG reports that 2 platoons of Regional Forces have replaced Rangers at Qua Giang and Dong Son.	S/F
1800		63	041800	Journal closed.	

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1800	1	041800	Journal opened.	
1805	2	041805	22-2 - Son-3. One (1) onto stuck at 04 991686. Notes that has two (2) onto in the area attempting to pull it out.	S/F
1750	3	041750	22-2 - Son-3. Got info. Rec 000670, PF forces contacted a VC force of unknown strength. Both forces engaged in fire fight. 10 casualties.	S/F
1850	4	041850	Received weather report.	S/F
1855	5	041855	Marine Inf reported Vietnamese 3/4 ton truck is unable to 04 993684 to pull Vietnamese jeep back to compound.	S/F
2010	6	042010	Patrol 2 - PG-3. Received tracers at 042005H vic 008501 (out of TAG) and 012614.	S/F
2050	7	042050	PG-F - PG-3. Patrol 1 has departed.	S/F
2100	8	042100	PG-H - PG-3. Ambush A is in position.	S/F
2125	9	042125	PG-H - PG-3. Ambush A almost walked into an ambush. No casualties as yet. More info to follow. Trail line blocked by fence and punji stakes. 60mm illum was fired. Patrol continued on to ambush site.	S/F Son-3
2250	10	042250	PG-H - PG-3. Patrol 44 is now set up approx 200 yds of checkpoint 5.	S/F
2359	11	042359	PG-F - PG-3. Patrol 1 has returned. Patrol 2 has departed.	S/F
0320	12	050320	PG-F - PG-3. Patrol 2 has returned.	S/F
0335	13	050335	PG-F - PG-3. Patrol 3 has departed.	S/F
0340	14	050340	PG-15 - PG-3. In ref to entry #9. The Patrol was proceeding south on Hwy #1 vic 033643 and received two (2) mds SA fire from approx vic 02 030645. The Patrol returned approx 200 SA mds, two (2) M-79 mds, two (2) 82mm illum mds, and nine (9) 60mm HE mds. Effective on the target is unknown.	S/F Son-2 & 3
0350	15	050350	PG-H - PG-3. Patrol 44 has returned.	S/F
0410	16	050410	PG-G - PG-3. S-2 attached to Co G detected movement to its front vic 04 997675. Four (4) mds of 60mm illum were fired. Neg results.	S/F Son-3 PG-6

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TIME IN OUT	Ser NO.	DFG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
0415	17	050415	PG-6 - PG-3. RD attached to Co C detected movement to its front via LT 997075. A claymore mine was set off by Co C. A patrol was sent out to investigate. No results.	✓P SG-3
0525	18	050525	PG-6 - PG-3. Patrol 4 has returned. Sierra 4 (Suburb Team) has returned.	✓P
0635	19	050635	PG-6 - PG-3. Patrol 3 has returned.	✓P
0755	20	050735	PG - PG-3. RD is open and cleared of mines.	✓P SG-4
0835	21	050835	PG-6 - PG-3. Morning weather report.	✓P
0850	22	050850	Patent - F - Park Green-14. Continuous trenches from Coord LT 994607 to LT 020607 and from railroad tracks to LT 07707 on south side of river. On north side of river from LT 07607 to LT 02606, continuous trenches.	✓P
0955	23	050955	Patent - F - Park Green-14. Check for enemy activity in grid square 9966, 0061, 0161, 0261, and 9962.	✓P
0925	24	050925	Patent - F - Park Green-14. GS 9961 and 9962 no enemy activity. GS 0061, 0161, 0261 no enemy activity. Trenches in GS 0060.	✓P
0948	25	050948	PG-4 - PG-6, PG-3. Turn into R., supply all water cans over 25 you have on hand. Water cans needed for resupply this AM.	✓P
0950	26	050950	PG - Reduced-3. Parkgreen Echo will be on your Whiskey freq. Their call sign is 011 0 Whiskey 200. Can you support if necessary?	✓P
1015	27	051015	PG-6 - PG-3. Patrol 4C is at checkpoint 2.	✓P
1050	28	051050	PG-3 - PG-6. Observed 2 men in civilian clothes with weapons at Coord LT 043720. These 2 men fired 5 round semi auto in an undetermined direction, and disappeared into the treeline. To Rm. 1100 051000H. No action taken.	✓P SG-3, SG-2
1105	29	051105	PG-3 - PG-3. No action contemplated on activity previously reported. Many villagers in immediate area also did not appear to be directed in this direction.	✓P

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1125		30	051225	PG-2 - PG-3. Apprehended 14 VC near site of ambush last night. Returning VC to AB PW collection point. (Reported msg to Senator 3.) Suppos to were signalling with lights between houses.	S/P
1210		31	051230	PG-3 - PG-3. 200 meters from objective and continuing.	S/P
1230		32	051230	PG-3 - PG-3. 1500 meters from objective. Progress very slow.	S/P
1300		33	051300	PG-3 - Redwood. PG-3 will be on your Whiskey freq. Their call sign will be Whiskey Echo. Can you support if necessary.	S/P
1301		34	051301	Redwood - PG-3. Roger, can support. PG-3 has not come up on Redwood Net.	S/P
1310		35	051310	PG-3 - PG-3. Instruct your Whiskey 10 to come up on Redwood Whiskey Freq. Redwood Whiskey will support you.	S/P
1320		36	051320	PG-3 - PG-3. Whiskey 10 has been trying to contact Redwood Whiskey for 2 hours.	S/P
1345		37	051345	PG-3 - PG-3. Present location is 500 meters E.E. of proposed landing site. Local forces request that to move to center of populated area away from river. Present location provides better contact between both elements on opposite sides of river. Please advise us to which location you prefer. Will await your reply.	S/P
1355		38	051355	PG-3 - PG-3. Helicopter observed going down at 051355. (Investigation found helicopter went down to make minor adjustment.)	S/P See 3
1400		39	051400	Same position to best accomplish mission. PG-3 - PG-3.	S/P
1400		40	051324	Redwood - PG. Your 051324H will be taken care of over local lines.	S/P
1401		41	051320	PG-3 - PG-3. Sighted 27 VC near Mich Duc (AT 085355) moving north-east to south-west. Out of our SOR. (Gurin 3 was notified as it is out of our SOR). Contact patrol has departed on same.	S/P See 3
1530		42	051530		

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1430 43 051430 Night sustained 2 KIA, request Med evac.
 Details follow.
 1430 44 051430 2 KIA were gunshot wounds. Details follow.
 Patrol is at checkpoint #1. (Box Papa #1)
 #1 is at checkpoint #2.
 #2 is at checkpoint #1.
 1500 45 051550 1500 received small arms fire at 022637
 sustained (2) 3rd casualties. Fire was from 12
 at 012637.
 1620 46 051630 PG-3 PG-4, Rely to PG-3, that PG-4 will deliver
 units to 004721, request PG-3 have a minimum
 of five men to meet PG-4 at the designated area.
 Captain 3 1/2 notified that units would be in
 vicinity of 004721.
 Box Papa #1 has returned.
 Box Papa #2, code 0990642, dragon units at
 above position sustained one KIA presumed KIA
 from electrically detonated mine on concrete
 abutment of St. Long bridge. It was blown into
 the river and cannot be located. Electrically
 wiring appeared to run into village of St. Long
 River about 30' deep with strong current. It
 exploded to wide river were unable to. Dragon CIC
 returned to this point with his team to this point
 with his team and reported incident to his parent
 unit.
 1745 53 051745 051700, total reaction force at 032643
 was taken under small arms fire from 032640.
 sustained 2 KIA, three men disabled.
 Returned fire w/ mortars, mortars and small arms.
 Again 1-10, Gain India is occupying area.
 REMAP until further notice. 96 96 49
 55 Journal secured.

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	Ser. NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	N, S, T, F
1800		1	051800	Journal Opened.	
1935		2	051935	Monroe - Motherhood. Received daily weather report.	S/F
1945		3	051945	BB-H - BB-3. (Spot Rep). (a. BB-H (b. 051425H (c. BT 023637 (d. Received heavy volume automatic wpns fire from vic (BT 023637) which resulted in two (2) friendly WIA's. (e. At approx 1600H, a plt was sent into the area to assist. After action ended there was a total of eight (8) friendly WIA's. (f. none (g. eight (8) (h. none (i. three (3) VC KIA (j. None (k. unk (l. five (5) VCS (m. one (1) K-50 rifle AR, two (2) chinese grenades were captured (n. One (1) VC flag, webb gear, one (1) billfold	S/F Sen-2,3 BB-2
2030		4	052030	PG-3 - PG-E. Request to know if you have any LVT's remaining at your CP in direct support.	S/F
1250		5	061250	PG-3 - PG-E & G. Assume six (6) hour standby status for possible deployment with composite battalion.	S/F
1340		6	061340	PG-3 - PG-E. Request numbers and unit of all Vietnamese personnel attached to your unit.	S/F
1420		7	061420	Redwood-Whiskey - Echo Whiskey. Whiskey net not in operation 24 hours. If no contact request Redwood Whiskey to come up over BnTacNet. Concentrations 002, 003, 007 cleared for illum only. 001, 004, 005, 006, cleared for HE.	S/F
1626		8	061626	PG-3 - PG-E. Req to know if AxeHandle elements that were relieved by new AxeHandle elements have left your position yet.	S/F
1800		9	061800	BB-E - BB-3. (Spot Rep) (a. BB-E (b. 061800H (c. (050712) (d. BB-E received two (2) rnds semi-auto fire from vic (BT 045705) at 061750H. (e. Sent patrol to check but patrol could not ford the river to investigate other side. Returned with neg results. (f. none (g. - (n. none	S/F Sen-3
1800		10	061800	Journal Closed.	

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1800		1	061800	Journal opened	
1801		2	061801	PG-1 - PG-3. Two (2) rds semi-automatic fired at Echo 1 from WIC (MF 045705). One (1) casualty, not serious WIA at MF 052709. A patrol was sent out to locate the source. There is a river between them and source of shot.	S/F
		3	061805	PG-3 - PG-3. PG-3 received 2 rds semi-automatic fire from MF 045705 at 061750. Sent patrol to check but patrol could not ford river to investigate other side. Returned with negative results.	S/F
1810		4	061810	PG-1 - PG-3. PG-3's night defensive fire remains the same.	S/F
1815		5	061815	PG-1 - PG-3. In the village of Hien Tho (2), patrol found hypodermic needles (MF 014553). Also found a new trail marked by rags lying along side (MF 028645). Trail not on map.	W/S/F
1820		6	061820	PG-1 - PG-3. Echo 1 is still being fired upon. PG-1 sent out report as soon as Echo 1 sends it out.	S/F Sec 3
1830		7	061830	PG-1 - PG-3. At 051706, received 1 round from 1 round from same coordinates. Echo 1 fired at at sniper position scoring two direct hits. No friendly casualties. Many casualties undetermined.	S/F Sec 3
1855		8	061855	PG-1 - PG-3. At 051815H, received 1 rd S/A fire from MF 051706. Returned fire with 2 rds N-79. Both were direct hits. Fire ceased.	W/S/F Sec 2
1905		9	061906	PG-1 - PG-3. Patrol 6 B is at checkpoint 2.	S/F
1906		10	061906	PG-1 - PG-3. Patrol 1 has departed.	S/F
1930		11	061930	PG-1 - PG-3. Patrol 2 has just departed.	S/F
1930		12	061930	PG-1 - PG-3. Patrol 6 A is at checkpoint 1.	S/F
1940		13	061940	PG-1 - PG-3. Fire Team patrol discovered reconstruction of destroyed obstacles at MF 027639. French magneot found in house at that location, and 75 feet of oxm wires rolled on bamboo stick.	S/F Sec 3
1955		14	061955	PG-1 - PG-3. Patrol 6 B set in at 061945H. Ambush 64 departed IP at 1956H.	S/F
2010		15	062010	PG-1 - PG-3. Mastering Post 6 B has arrived their position.	S/F
2010		16	062010	PG-1 - PG-3. Patrol 2 is at checkpoint 1.	S/F
2015		17	062015	PG-3 - Sec 2. Received one round fired from (cont'd)	S/F

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Organization060000 071000Z Mar 1968
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TIME IN	CUT	Ser NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
				(cont'd) 060000 - 071000Z Mar 1968. Fire Team patrol in area is investigating. S/P	
2040	18	062040	062040	Sm 3 requests daily tracked vehicle status report by 1200. Info required: Hb., location (coord), type and status.	S/P
2110	19	062110	062110	062110 - 062120. Patrol 2 is at checkpoint 2.2	S/P
2130	20	062120	062120	062120 - 062130. Ambush 6 A is now in position.	S/P
2150	21	062150	062150	062150 - 062200. Patrol 3 is now departing company area. S/P	S/P
2210	22	062210	062210	062210 - 062220. Patrol 2 is at checkpoint 3.	S/P
2250	23	062250	062250	062250 - 062260. Patrol 2 has returned to Hb.	S/P
2250	24	062250	062250	062250 - 062260. Hb threw grenade at fire team at 062250Z. Fire team returned small arms fire. Search of area being conducted. 1 Marine WIA. Neg results.	S/P Sm 3
2315	25	062315	062315	062315 - 062325. Fire team patrol returned to Hb.	S/P
2335	26	062355	062355	062355 - 062355. Marine WIA - 062355Z. Hb 062250Z at coord N 080074.	S/P/S/P
00100	27	060010	060010	060010 - 060020. Medical evacuation is completed.	S/P
0025	28	060025	060025	Sighted neg 060025Z	
0130	29	070130	070130	070130 - 070200. Hb killed 3 VC. Details will follow in the morning.	S/P
0145	30	070145	070145	070145 - 070210. No more information available on 3 VC. Details will follow in the morning.	S/P
0240	31	070240	070240	070240 - 070250. 3d Plt CP has checked in.	S/P
0310	32	070310	070310	070310 - 070320. Sm 3 - Hb 3. Prepare Hb to for halo lift commencing 0730.	S/P
0325	33	070325	070325	070325 - 070335. Sm 3 - Hb 3. Sm 3 intends to keep both units at Hb CP on call until staging area is determined. Svc truck transport will from Sm 3.	S/P
0340	34	070340	070340	070340 - 070350. Capt BLMIN to be on Button Hook and LZ control at 0730.	S/P
0355	35	070355	070355	070355 - 070400. Halo lift will commence 070355Z.	S/P/S/P
0420	36	070420	070420	070420 - 070430. Hb 3 - Hb 3. Take all personnel and equipment on halo lift.	S/P
0430	37	070430	070430	070430 - 070440. Be prepared to relieve elements of company B on bridges vic AF 999706, AF 999699, AF 999695 with one platoon.	S/P/S/P

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0755		38	070755	Monroc - H-3. Received weather report.	S/P
0810		39	070810	PG-1 - PG-3. Man boat was stampeded out by the wind up out of the water by halo. Man halo got over land the strap broke about 25 meters above the ground. He has been evacuated to H-3.	S/P
0815		40	070815	PG-3 - Sea 3. Refer msg 29. Marine sighted 3 VC at 07 05720 coming up river in boat. Man was eliminated and they tried to paddle to cover but struck an ore wagon and exploded mine killing the VC and sinking the boat.	S/P
0820		41	070820	PG-1, PG-2. Man injured - KIAB, initials JCK last 4 digits ser no. 9323. Man believed to have drowned was LIVIN - initials TFL - 9349.	S/P
0835		42	070835	PG-3 - PG-3. Request to know location of suspected drowning and location of non battle HIA.	S/P
0842		43	070842	PG-3 - PG-3. Coord of suspected drowning - H-3 056724. Coord non battle HIA H-3 057724.	S/P
0915		44	070915	PG-3 - Sea 3. PG-3 reports boat accident at H-3 056724. Marine was suspected to have drowned when boat stampeded. Search was being conducted.	S/P
0917		45	070917	PG-3 - Sea 3. At 0810 at H-3 057724, Marine was injured when he fell from halo when strap broke. Marine has been evacuated to H-3.	S/P
0935		46	070935	PG-3 - PG-3. Request this position of boat. Only one engine running, unable to turn, current is too swift.	S/P
0952		47	070952	PG-3 - PG-3. Advances coming to pick up remaining personnel and boats.	S/P
1128		48	071128	PG-3 - Sea 3. Man from H-3 P was wounded from accidental discharge at H-3 056662. Halo and crew requested at 0711304. Man will be sent to H-3 by 0810.	S/P
1220		49	071220	H-3 H-3. Patrol 2 A has departed.	S/P
1230		50	071230	H-3 H-3. Patrol 2 A is at checkpoint 1.	S/P
1325		51	071325	H-3 H-3. Over 60 people moving from Tan Hinh H-3 056655 south towards H-3 Dong.	S/P
1330		52	071335	PG-3 - PG-3. Halo with divers will land at H-3 05724. Man H-3 with green smoke. Confirm HIA later.	S/P

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1430		53	071430	1212 - 1213. Refugee SI. People are believed to be coming from Muon Ho instead of Ton Thanh.	S/P
1500		54	071500	1216 informed Camp 3 that he wants 1 section of CLP for company.	S/P
1710		55	071710	1212 - 1213. Patrol changes. Patrol 2 1930-2200, Patrol 3 2200-0200.	S/P
1800		56	071800	1212 - 1213. Patrol 1 is leaving the perimeter.	S/P
1800		57	071800	Journal closed.	

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1800		1	071800	Journal opened.	
1810		2	071810	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 2 has departed perimeter.	S/F
1825		3	071825	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 2 at checkpoint 2.	S/F
1850		4	071850	Sen-3 - BB-3. Req tracked vehicle report.	S/F
1900		5	071900	Reptlno fr Pacification Team stepped on a mine near Yen Ne (2). Truck will be through BB GP to pick him up.	S/F Bridge-3 BB-34, BB-G
1905		6	071905	Submitted tracked vehicle report to Sen-3.	S/F
1920		7	071920	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 3 has departed. Patrol 1 is now in ambush site.	S/F
1930		8	071930	B-2 patrol has departed.	S/F
1920		9	071920	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 2 received 7-8 rnds auto wpons fire fr AT 041643. Returned fire w/81mm mission.	S/F Sen-3, BB-6
1930		10	071930	BB-G - BB-3. Req one (1) interpreter.	S/F Sen-2, Swain
1940		11	071940	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 4 has departed CP.	S/F
1945		12	071945	PG-3a - PG-3. Antracs broke down and are being repaired. Will proceed to MRA and contact you on arrival.	S/F
2000		13	072000	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 4 reached Listening Post at 1956H, Patrol 6 reached Listening Post at 2000H, Patrol 5 reached Listening Post at 2001H.	S/F
2005		14	072005	PG-3a - PG-3. Req two (2) trucks (6x6) to meet us at 9th Marines Regt CP.	S/F
2020		15	072020	PG-3a - PG-3. Have had one (1) man injured (rib & leg injury). He has been evacuated to Slaveborn Aid Station.	S/F
2025		16	072025	Sen-3 - BB-3. Pacification Team member tripped on booby trap (AT 981682) at 071830H. He was med-evac.	S/F
2035		17	072035	Req med-evac for one (1) seriously ill ARVN. Will use local H.Z.	S/F
2045		18	072045	BB-3 - Sen-3. One (1) ARVN was brought to Bn CP (AT 991678) fr Co E. He has acute poisoning and an immediate med-evac was ordered by the Bn doctor.	S/F
2045		19	072045	Sen-3 - BB-3. One (1) non-battle casualty, BUTLER, D.B. Jr., 2D3305. He is at Slaveborn Sickbay.	S/F
2115		20	072115	Be prepared to execute spread eagle on order.	S/F

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2205	21	072205	BB-3 - BB-3. Provide one (1) Plt(rein) for Bn reserve, transportation will arrive your CP at 1030 for movement to Bn CP area.	S/F
2215	22	072215	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 3 has departed.	S/F
2230	23	072230	SBn-2 - BB-3. (Spot Rep)(a. Rose Ann-2(h. 072030H (c. BT 033727 (d. Sighted six (6) boats, covered type, at above area. Usually no boats in area.	S/F BB-2
2245	24	072245	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 3 discovered six (6) diamond sharpened holes approx six (6) inches in diameter and angled in such a manner to support mortar tubes aimed at Co F and/or 2/9 Bn CP. (AT 982655).	S/F
2255	25	072255	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 3 at checkpoint 1.	S/F
2315	26	072315	SBn-2 - BB-3. An A0 is in the air.	S/F, SBn-3, MHO
2325	27	072325	BB-G - BB-3. Reports 25 mds AR fired vic AT 995675. Details to follow.	S/F
2335	28	072335	PG-2 - Deadlock. Req observation of six (6) covered boats at BT 032727. Also check for boat traffic.	S/F
2355	29	072355	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 2 at checkpoint 2.	S/F
2356	30	072356	Rossmont-L - PG-3. Reports all boats tied up. Neg action.	S/F
0030	31	080030	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 3 at checkpoint 3.	S/F
0200	32	080200	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 3 at checkpoint 4.	S/F
0300	33	080300	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 4 has departed.	S/F
0510	34	080510	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 1 has returned.	S/F
0527	35	080527	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 2 has returned.	S/F
0555	36	080555	BB-H - BB-3. (Ref entry #9). Patrol 2, while traveling east up trail from BT 032643, noticed a flashing light at BT 037646 and heard a number of clicking sticks at approx the same location. They were then fired upon by three (3) types of wps. They appeared to be one (1) carbine and one (1) M-1 and one (1) definite auto-wpn, probably a L-50. Later while moving south, observed VC fire (BT 040633), directed at passing aircraft in all incidents it was noted that tracer ammo was used.	S/F SBn-3

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0556	37	080556	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 4 has returned. A minefield was reported to have been found at AT 992662. Detailed report to follow.	S/F Sme3
0745	38	080745	Rosemont-E - PG-2. Fresh trench work - 200 yds. south of RR Bridge (AT 993609). Number of fresh foxholes.	S/F
0800	39	080800	Axhandle-C - BB-3. Bay #1 has been cleared from M-6 Bridge to F Co.	S/F
0825	40	080845	Rosemont-E - BB-3. Covered AT 9864 - BT 0364. Neg results.	S/F
0900	41	080900	BB-F - BB-3. Conducting a two (2) tank patrol w/TP security from Co F CP (AT 983661) to Ha Dong Bridge (AT 990642) to tween 080930H and 081500H. Purpose is to use scope to pick up targets and sweep w/.50.	S/F
0910	42	080910	Monroe - BB-3. Received daily weather report.	S/F
0945	43	080945	Axhandle-C - BB-3. Lateral road has been cleared.	S/F
1005	44	081005	St. Joe - BB-3. Recon divers unable to get helos to take them for search of MIA. Still trying.	S/F
1010	45	081010	PG-3a - PG-3. Now in position. Arrived approx 0950H. Now awaiting choppers. HZ marked w/green smoke.	S/F
1014	46	081014	Recon divers delayed by helo unavailability. Will arrive your position ASAP. (Divers arrived PG-E position 1020H to conduct search for MIA.	S/F
1035	47	081035	PG-3a - PG-3. Re advised divers have arrived.	S/F
1035	48	081035	Sen-2 - BB-3. Irontree desires to fire Whiskey H & I at river peninsula (BT 052713) tonight if BB has no one located there. Please advise.	S/F
1155	49	081155	Sen - 1/9, 2/9, 3/3. 1. Effective 081200H, compose unit w/ Swain command group Chop to Task Force-D. 2. At 081200H, Swain units remaining which are not chopped to Tasked Force-D come under OpCon-BB. Same time, BB assumes responsibility for Swain's TAOR. 3. At 081200H, Irontree assumes responsibility to provide reserve unit in accordance w/par 3.b of RegtOpPlan 330-65. Report designation, location, & strength of unit to be Sen. reserve. 4. BB report working & reporting arrangements made for Swain units remaining.	S/F
1155	50	081155	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 3 has completed sweep.	S/F

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1200	51	081200	BB-3 - Sen-3. Changed OpCon.	Swain-3
1205	52	081205	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 3 at checkpoint 2.	S/F
1210	53	081210	At 081330H, four (4) wiremen will start laying wire. Two (2) lines from Swain (Hill 47) to Phong Le Bac Bridge by way of river using metal boat.	S/F
1245	54	081245	Swain-3 - BB-3. a. L-3/3 b. 081225H c. AT 971656 d. three (3) rds fired at halo e. sending one (1) sqd to investigate. f.n. none	S/F
1250	55	081250	PG-G - PG-3. We are moving out.	S/F
1314	56	081314	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 has departed.	S/F
1320	57	081320	BB-F - BB-3. Minefield originally reported by Patrol 4 at BT 080556 was checked out and yielded neg results. However, one (1) 10" long pottery cylinder with a diameter of 6" was discovered in the same area. It looked like it was filled w/ black powder. Was destroyed by blowing it up.	S/F Sen-3
1335	58	081335	PG-3a - PG-3. Req one (1) interpreter at this location.	S/F
1340	59	081340	PG-G - PG-3. Have reached destination.	S/F, Sen-3
1410	60	081410	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 found the USMC MIA at the Hba Dong bridge (AT 990641). Also Patrol 1 destroyed a bamboo obstacle on the bridge w/3.5 W.P.	S/F Sen-3
1420	61	081420	BB-F - BB-3. Have one (1) squad going into Le Son (1) to check it out.	S/F
1455	62	081455	Swain-3 - BB-3. Swain-1 sent sqd patrol from Swain-1 CP to Swain-1-1 at 1335H. Swain-1-1 w/mail has not arrived yet. Swain-1-6 is dispatching another sqd patrol w/FO to locate 1st patrol.	S/F
1505	63	081505	BB-3a - BB-3. Ended search w/neg results. Req permission to return to CP.	S/F
1510	64	081510	Swain-3 - BB-3. All Swain-1 patrols have returned.	S/F
1555	65	081555	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 has reached checkpoint 2.	S/F
1520	66	081520	BB-F - BB-3. (Spot Rep) Patrol 1 utilized tanks to blow a tunnel entrance (AT 994642) (river bank). The tunnel contained clothing & foodstuffs prior to destruction. Patrol 1 utilized tank to fire at a pagoda at (AT 993637), a secondary explosion in the pagoda blew debris 200 meters in the air. A bunker	S/F

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	(cont)		at (AT 996623) was destroyed by two (2) 90mm rds. Two (2) armed VC dressed in black were spotted at (AT 997620). 90mm WP scored a direct hit on them. At the north end of the Ha Dong Bridge a mine exploded while the patrol was recovering the body of the engineer. Apparently the mine was in the same place as the one which killed the engineer two (2) days ago.	
1630	67	081630	PG-3a - PG-3. PG-3a will be delayed on returning to CP. Presently at (BT 043732). Slavehorn elements stuck.	
1700	68	081700	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 at checkpoint 3.	S/F
1720	69	081720	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 3 has returned.	S/F
1730	70	081730	Swain-I - BB-3. Pacification Team came at AnTrac and stated they had received a report that 150 VC had moved between (AT 965665 to grid line 65). Lots of activity in La Bong (1), Yen Ne Complex. Swain-I dispatched a patrol to check out activity at La Bong (1) & Yen Ne Complex. Pacification Team is accompanying patrol.	S/F
1740	71	081740	Sw-3 - BB-3. Execute spread eagle at 082200H. Secure from spread eagle after 0100H.	S/F F, H, R&S
1800	72	081800	Journal Closed.	

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1800	1	081800	DE-3 - Journal opened		
1830	2	081830	DE-3 - Sen 3. Squad patrol (I Co 3/3) out at 081715H from 2d Plt received fire AT 965659. 2 W with M-1 carbines and wearing black clothing with dark head bands. Fire was returned.	S/F	
1900	3	081900	PG-34 - DE-3. We are still in same location. It is probable we will be here until high tide which will be at 2200H. We may have location of body but not positive.	S/F Sen 3	
1930	4	081930	DE-3 - Sen 3. At 081910H, I Co, 3/3 received 1 small arms round from individual who was spotted at AT 965665 wearing black clothes and dark head scarf. Returned 5 rounds small arms fire, 2 M-79 rounds. Patrol checked out with negative results.	S/F	
1930	5	081930	Sen 3 - DE-3. Mine found by PAT number. 1 foot high, 6" square gray with yellow markings - "MINE" and "Mine" written on it. "Hollow" on one side - has shape charge and carrying handle on top. End of word. Found at 081720. Guards not yet available.	S/F Sen 3	
1930	5	081930	I - 3/3 - DE-3. Squad size patrol in area La Phung (1) around 1700 received word from villagers that 15 W had been there all day but left in early afternoon going S-S. Patrol missed them.	S/F Sen 3	
1940	6	081940	DE-3 - DE-3. Patrol 6 informs that fire fight going on south. Waiting for word from patrol 2.	S/F Sen 3	
2005	7	082005	DE-3 - DE-3. Patrol 2 has departed P.	S/F	
2015	8	082015	DE-3 - DE-3. Ambush getting ready to set up ambush when 7 or 8 people were walking down Hwy 1. People saw ambush and started to run. Ambush opened fire and squad leader saw 2 people fall. At this time ambush received fire from the rear. Squad leader pulled out firing burst down Hwy 1. To casualty.	S/F Sen 3	
2030	9	082030	Communications detail has returned from main.	S/F	
2035	10	082035	DE-3 - DE-3. Patrol 5 departed at 1930. Patrol 6 departed at 2035.	S/F	
2040	11	082040	DE-3 - DE-3. Fire mission: AT 994637 - S 994631. Known ammo bunker suspected tunnels. 20 rds fired with 2 secondary explosions observed. Fired at 2000.	S/F	

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2043	12	082043	BB-H - BB-3. Fire mission BT 035669. Fired in support of msg 8. 6 rounds fired not observed. Fired at 2030H.	S/F Sen 3
2045	13	082045	PG-3A - BB-3. Mission accomplished, returning to C.	S/F Sen 3
2112	14	082112	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 2 has arrived checkpoint 1.	S/F
2130	15	082130	PG-3A - PG-3. Request 1 6x6 and 1 ambulance to meet PG-3A at BB.	S/F
2135	16	082135	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 2 is at checkpoint 2.	S/F
2145	17	082145	BB-H - BB-3. (Complete report of msg 6 and 8. Ambush setting up ambush site saw 2 people walking south to north. People saw ambush and started running, ambush opened fire with MG and automatic rifles - 4 M-79 rounds fired. 75 - 100 rds fired. Squad leader saw 2 people fall, 5 more people were 10 meters behind first two. Ambush opened fire. At this time ambush received fire from east to west via BT 033638 to BT 032639. 75 rds non-automatic S. Squad leader pulled out of site firing down Hwy 1; pulling out, squad received fire from its ambush site from 3 weapons leading them to believe that 1 of the 5 had been hit. At 2035, a fire mission was fired - 6 rds at BT 035633.	S/F Sen 3
2200	18	082200	BB-3 - Radiance. Companies noted to exercise ("spread eagle").	S/F
2243	19	082243	Sen 3 - FSCC. Cease all firing in your area.	S/E/T
2247	20	082247	Sen 3 - FSCC. Resume firing.	S/F
2300	21	082300	Sen 3 - BB-3. Cease fire between GL 99 & 05.	S/E/M
2304	22	082304	Sen 3 - BB-3. Exercise "Spread Eagle" effect.	S/E/T
0210	23	080210	BB-3 - Sen 3. Have secured from "Spread Eagle".	S/F
0220	24	080220	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 3 now departing.	S/F
0225	25	090125	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 1 has returned.	S/F
0230	26	090230	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 3 is at checkpoint 1.	S/F
0257	27	090257	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 3 is at checkpoint 2.	S/F
0300	28	090300	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 4 has departed.	S/F
0317	29	090317	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 4 is at checkpoint 1.	S/F
0325	30	090325	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 3 is at checkpoint 3.	S/F
0330	31	090330	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 3 has returned.	S/F

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0330	32	090330	BB-3 - BB-3. Patrol 1 checked in.	S/F
0350	33	090350	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 4 is at checkpoint 2.	S/F
0420	34	090420	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 6 is back in area.	S/F
0445	35	090445	Sen 3 - Bailey FSCC (division). Notified "cease fire".	S/F
0515	36	090515	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 4 has arrived checkpoint 2.	S/F
0535	37	090535	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 4 has returned.	S/F
0700	38	090700	Sen 3 - BB-3. Cease fire lifted.	S/F
0710	39	090710	BB-F - BB-3. Have commenced sweep.	S/F
0720	40	090720	Axehandle - BB-3. Road has been cleared from 2/9 CP to paved road.	S/F
0740	41	090740	Axehandle - BB-3. Eng started sweep from I 3/3 north to road.	S/F
0800	42	090800	Sen 3 - BB-3. No resupply halo today.	S/F
0830	43	090830	Axehandle - BB-3. Road is clear from M-6 bridge to asphalt Hwy down to Foxtrot position.	S/F/T
0915	45	0915	Large number of Vietnamese working on graves near Xon He (2). As many as 100.	S/F Sen 3
0925	46	090925	Villagers brought 4 dead VN into I Companies position. Claim they were killed by shell frags prior to dark yesterday. Killed around village of Xuan Nam (1). AT 963627. Arty did not fire prior to dark in that area. 81's did not fire in that area.	S/F
0925	47	090925	BB-3 - Radiance. One LAW must be taken with each each patrol.	S/F/T
1035	48	091035	Bunker #37 received two (2) rounds sniper fire from their left front approx 75 meters. It was reported by Sgt MOSS, 106 Plt Sgt. He said he was going to put another man on the bunker. No casualties.	S/F Sen 3
1100	49	091100	Sgt MOSS is taking a detail out to check the area from which the fire came.	S/F
1140	50	091140	Axehandle G - BB-3. The road is clear from Co F to the bridge.	S/F
1150	51	091150	BB-5 checked back into CP area.	S/F
1210	52	091210	BB-F - BB-3. One ChiCom grenade thrown at plt on sweep. Plt fired several rounds M-14 and 1 rd M-79 into hedge row. Unknown results.	S/F Sen 3

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1215	53	091215	Stain I - BB-3. road between Le Son (1) and An Trach (1) has been freshly dug up and rendered impassable. Dispatched Engr team and security T/4 to check area for mines and repair road.	S/F Engr
1215	54	091215	Sgt MOSS returned with detail. Reported negative results on search.	S/F
1210	55	091210	Stain I - BB-3. Position at AF 971660 received 1 rd of sniper fire from unknown position.	S/F Sen 3
1315	56	091315	Stain 3 - BB-3. Engineers have completed sweep of road & found a dud rnd. Also a plt size TAC team patrol has departed to destination (AF 966664).	S/F Sen 3
1430	57	091430	BB-F - BB-3. Have 1 wounded Vietnamese girl from Bich Bac village. Sending her to BAS on mule.	S/F
1525	58	091525	BB-F - BB-3. The platoon on sweep has returned.	S/F
1545	59	091545	Stain I - BB-3. One (1) VC KIA by PAT in La Bong (3). I Co did not see body but saw sandals that PAT took off the body. Sandals were given to I Co and will be passed on.	S/F Sen 3
1645	60	0916458	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 1 has departed. (Scout/Sniper)	S/F
1735	61	091735	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 4 has departed CP.	S/F
1800	62	091800	Journal closed.	

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1800		1	091800	Journal Opened.	
1800		2	091800	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 5 has departed.	S/F
1810		3	091810	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 5 at checkpoint 1. Patrol 4 at checkpoint 1.	S/F
1810		4	091810	Swain-K - BB-3. Reports two (2) VCS captured w/no ID. At 081600H, (AT 947674) the VCS were picked up, one (1) was released and the other was turned over to Hist. Hqtrs. At 081555H, a Kilo patrol found a marked minefield(AT 953651). At 082030H, 15 rds incoming were fired from an unk origin into Co K CP.	S/F Sen-2,3
0815		5	091815	BB-F - BB-3. Tanks moving into blocking position (AT 990642) to support the sweep of Ha Dong. At 0800H this morning the tanks sank two (2) sampans trying to escape down the river. The rear point of the sweeping force saw a grenade fly over a hedge row and exploded harmlessly. The area was searched w/neg results.	S/F
1930		6	091900	Be prepared to mountout one (1) Plt of Co M, 3/3.	S/F
1930		7	091600	Cancel out above message.	S/F
1945		8	091945	Swain-I - BB-3. Ambush 1 has departed.	S/F
1946		9	091946	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 4 at ambush position.	S/F
1957		10	091957	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 2 has departed IP.	S/F
2010		11	092010	Swain-I - BB-3. Ambush 3 departed 2005.	S/F
2015		12	092015	Sen-3 - BB-3. RVN will make normal armored car road recon tonight and will go from HVN to Cam La Bac Bridge to the Mie Bong to RR Bridge and back to HVN.	S/F BB-H
2025		13	092025	Swain-K - BB-3. Ambush 2 departed IP.	S/F
2055		14	092055	Swain-3 - BB-3. Listening Post 2 has departed.	S/F
2103		15	092103	Swain-3 - BB-3. Ambush 3 departed.	S/F
2308		16	092308	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 2 has returned.	S/F
2340		17	092340	Sen-3 - BB-3. At 092300H ARVN sources report an increase in terrorism in the next 48 hrs. Children & old people will be paid to perform such acts as destroying unattended vehicles, stealing wps, leaving explosives near billeting areas while appearing to be resting. 3. Maximum dissemination.	S/F BB-34, E F, H

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0035		18	100035	Swain-K - BB-3. Ambush 2 has returned w/neg results.	S/F
0230		19	100230	BB-H - BB-3. Hotel 1 - all secure.	S/F
0255		20	100255	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 4 has departed.	S/F
0300		21	100300	Swain-3 - BB-3. Swain has heavy casualties. BB light casualties on Operation Harvest Moon.	S/F
0330		22	100330	BB-H - BB-3. Hotel 1 - all secure.	S/F
0334		23	100334	Swain-K - BB-3. Patrol 3 has returned.	S/F
0345		24	100345	Swain-I - BB-3. Ambush 3 has returned.	S/F
0410		25	100410	Swain-K - BB-3. Sit Rep - neg contact.	S/F
0430		26	100430	(Late entry) Swain-K - BB-3. Reports that drop has returned.	S/F
0435		27	100435	BB-H - BB-3. Hotel 1-all secure. Patrol 5 at checkpoint 3.	S/F
0437		28	100437	Swain-I - BB-3. Listening Post 2 has returned.	S/F
0500		29	100500	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 4 has returned.	S/F
0505		30	100505	Swain-I - BB-3. Ambush 3 has returned.	S/F
0530		31	100530	BB-H - BB-3. Hotel 1 - all secure.	S/F
0545		32	100545	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 4 has returned.	S/F
0600		33	100600	BB-H - BB-3. Hotel - 1 - all secure.	S/F
0630		34	100630	BB-H - BB-3. Hotel 1 - all secure.	S/F
0700		35	100700	BB-H - BB-3. Hotel 1 - all secure.	S/F
0725		36	100725	Ashandle-C - BB-3. The road is clear from the N-6 Bridge to 2/9 MT.	S/F BB-4
0730		37	100730	BB-H - BB-3. Hotel 1 - all secure.	S/F
0735		38	100735	Ashandle-C - BB-3. Road is clear from 2/9 MT to Co F.	S/F BB-4
0830		39	100830	BB-H - BB-3. Hotel 1 - all secure.	S/F
0845		40	100845	Swain-3 - BB-3. Kilo minesweeping team 2 has departed.	S/F
0855		41	100855	Ashandle-C - BB-3. The road is clear on the lateral road.	S/F BB-4
0917		42	100917	Bridge-1 - BB-3. Son-6 has passed my position and is on his way to BB GP.	S/F BB-2,3,4 5,1,10,34

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Organization

091800 - 101800H Dec 1965

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TIME IN	CUT	Ser NO.	INTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T. I
0930		43	100930	Axeville - BB-3. The road is clear from Co F to the bridge.	S/F BB-4
0931		44	100931	BB-H - BB-3. Hotel 1 - all secure.	S/F
0950		45	100950	BB-H - BB-3. At 091730H, SS Team saw one (1) armed VC dressed in a camouflage skirt hiding in bushes. SS Team fired one (1) rnd & VC disappeared. At 091750H, saw a female go to bushes, pick up something up & run into tree line (BT 020638).	S/F BB-3
1030		45	101030	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 has departed.	S/F
1105		46	101105	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 at checkpoint 1.	S/F
1126		47	101126	BB-F - BB-3. Two (2) ontos at Ha Dong Bridge with one (1) squad for security. Will return at 1500H.	S/F
1140		48	101140	BB-H - BB-3. Hotel 1 PltCndr informs that his Plt takes about two (2) mins every hr incoming rifle fire fromuong Son (3).	S/F Mieu Bong Ln0
1230		49	101230	Hotel 1 - BB-3. Hotel 1 - all secure.	S/F
1235		50	101235	Sen-2 (Mieu Bong) - BB-3. Information from Staff Hqtrs reports that in order to deploy and kill friendly troops at this time the VC use a special type grenade activated by acid. It will blow up if the security hook is held onto. The top of the grenade is red or blue. The security hook is blue. The VC pertain to drop these on the ground so they will be seized or picked up as a trophy. Rating- C-4.	S/F
1235		51	101235	Sen-2 (Hoa Vang Ln0) - BB-3. At villages Hoa Lieng, (BT 0769); Hoa Hai (BT 0867); VC are using children to carry TNT and other explosives to use at USMC installations. The children come near USMC installations to follow Marine situation and to sabotage. Rating: C-3.	S/F
1355		52	101355	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 has reached checkpoint 5.	S/F
1425		53	101425	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 at checkpoint 6.	S/F
1430		54	101430	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 1 has returned.	S/F
1435		55	101435	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 has returned.	S/F
1436		56	101436	BB-3 - BB-3. Kilo patrol 2 detonated grenade booby trap while returning to base. Three (3) WIA. They continued on march after apprehending one (1) VC who ran away after the explosion.	S/F

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TIME IN	CUT	Ser NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T. I
1505		57	101505	LaO Mieu Dong - BB-3. Busload of ARVN dressed as civilians will leave Hoi An everyday at 1700H and heading for Da Nang. Objective is to get VC snipers at civilians.	S/F
1535		58	101535	Stain-I - BB-3. PAT in La Dong (3) (AT 9670) reports that there are four (4) VC in spider traps dressed as ARVN soldiers with short pants. The VC are supposedly sitting on stools. The report continued that the same VC have emplaced two (2) booby traps (pressure release in a box) in the same vicinity.	S/F S-3
1555		59	101555	Stain-I - BB-3. Patrol 1 returned 1620. Patrol 3 departed 1605.	S/F
1630		60	101630	Engineers are going to destroy 3.5 mnd near Post # 19. ASAP. (Was blown at 1700)	S/F BB-34,3, AT
1640		61	101640	Mieu Dong - BB-3. Between 110800 - 111000H, one(1) ranger company will sweep Cam Ne (1) and Cam Ne (2).	S/F
1700		62	101700	BB-F - BB-3. Two (2) ontos have returned from bridge security.	S/F
1715		63	101715	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 1 has departed.	S/F
1720		64	101720	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 1 at checkpoint 1.	S/F
1730		65	101730	BB-H - BB-3. Received two (2) mnd (AT 994874) 150 meters to front. Flying from the south.	S/F
1730		66	101730	From 101700H - 110800H, 26 Rangers from the 994th Company will be patrolling and conducting ambushes in Duong Son (3) (AT 995680). If attached they will require illum.	S/F
1745		67	101745	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 1 at checkpoint 2.	S/F
1755		68	101755	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 3 departed GP.	S/F
1758		69	101758	Stain-I - BB-3. Patrol dispatched from Stain-II to check out info contained in msg 101535. Found four (4) large spider traps with elaborate ventilation systems holding a possible four (4) men for hole. Will destroy tomorrow.	S/F
1759		70	101759	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 3 at checkpoint 1.	S/F
2800		71	101800	Journal Closed.	

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Organization160000 - 110000 H, 1 Dec 1965
Time, Open - Closed

TIME IN GUT	Ser NC.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M, S, T,
1800	1	101800	Journal opened	
1800	2	101800	South India - H-3. Patrols 1, 2, and 3 have returned.	S/P
1805	3	101805	South E - H-3. End 1 accidental discharge. Man shot self in leg w/H-4. Will be helicopter evacuated. Kilo 60 (AF 955607) was scene of accident.	S/P
1845	4	101845	H-2 - H-3. Patrol in Ron Two (1) (AF 003697) blew 5 tunnels with 2 secondary explosions. First was believed to be in the vic of 10 lbs of TNT. 2nd explosion was presumed to be grenade or mine. Saw 2 spider traps and one booby trap at gate with secondary explosion. Incident took place at 1800.	S/P See 3
1850	5	101855	South E - H-3. Received daily weather report.	S/P
1930	6	101930	H-2 - H-3. Patrol 2 has departed.	S/P
1930	7	101930	South E - H-3. Patrol 2 4 has departed.	S/P
1955	8	101955	South E - H-3. Patrol 2 has departed.	S/P
2000	9	102000	H-2 - H-3. Patrol 2 is at checkpoint 1.	S/P
2000	10	102000	H-2 - H-3. Patrol 1 all secure.	S/P
2000	11	102000	South 3 - H-3. Ambush 2, IP 2, and sniper team departed 2050.	S/P
2100	12	102100	H-2 - H-3. Patrol 1 has returned.	S/P
2200	13	102200	South 3 - H-3. Patrol 24 reports receiving small arms fire. Has returned to CP.	S/P
2200	14	102200	H-2 - H-3. Patrol 1 all secure.	S/P
2317	15	102317	H-2 - H-3. Patrol 3 has departed.	S/P
0005	16	110005	H-2 - H-3. Patrol 2 has returned.	S/P
0204	17	110204	South 3 - H-3. India 1 reports negative contact.	S/P
0245	18	110245	South 3 - H-3. Patrol 2 4 has returned.	S/P
0250	19	110250	South 3 - H-3. South Kilo reports negative contact.	S/P
0310	20	110310	H-2 - H-3. Patrol 4 is at checkpoint 1.	S/P
0340	21	110340	H-2 - H-3. Patrol 4 is at checkpoint 11.	S/P
0420	22	110410	H-2 - H-3. Listening Post 4 has returned.	S/P
0610	23	110610	H-2 - H-3. Patrol 4 has returned.	S/P

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22 Initiation, OHM Marine
Organization202000H - 111000H Dec 1965
Time, Open - Closed

TIME IN CUT	SER NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
0640	21	110640	22-1 - H-3. Patrol 3 has returned. (00154).	S/P
0645	25	110645	22-1 - H-3. Listening 3 returned at 0430H.	S/P
0650	26	110650	22-1 - H-3. Road clear from 9th Motors to Bullock Company.	S/P
0720	27	110720	22-1 - H-3. Road clear all the way to Highway 1.	S/P
0730	28	110730	22-1 - H-3. Patrol 3 has returned.	S/P
0835	29	110835	22-1 - H-3. Ranger Co sweep will commence in approx 20 minutes. Mounts will sweep Gun Co (2), (2), (4) (5), and Phong Lo (1).	S/P
0940	30	110840	22-1 - H-3. Sain 1 reported hearing an explosion outside of their perimeter. Sent out a patrol to check it out and found two (2) Vietnamese people w/charred wounds apparently from a body- explosion (AF 970650). Injuries were not very serious and were treated by a company medic.	S/P Son 3
0955	31	110855	22-1 - H-3. Lateral road is clear.	S/P
0950	32	110930	22-1 - H-3. Patrol 7 has departed.	S/P
1030	33	111030	22-1 - H-3. Kilo sending patrol to check out sector minefield (AF 953651).	S/P
1031	34	111131	22-1 - H-3. Observed 5 indigenous personnel (AF 974657). Sent a squad to check on them.	S/P Son 3
1040	35	111040	22-1 - H-3. Patrol 7 is at checkpoint 2.	S/P
1135	36	111135	22-1 - H-3. Road is clear from Phu GP to within 150 meters of the Dong bridge.	S/P
1136	37	111100	22-1 - H-3. Kilo patrol 1 was walking into Phu Son (3) (AF 955657) when automatic weapon fired approx 5 mds from the left flank 75 - 100 meters away. Location of patrol was AF 955657. Returned fire with 2 M-79 rounds, 1 2.5" H.P. and approximately 5 mds of 7.62. Another squad patrol was sent out with negative results. 1 Marine was vic and evacuated.	S/P Son 3
1145	38	111245	22-1 - H-3. Kilo patrol 1 is continuing check out of minefield. No evic is up.	S/P Son 3
1200	39	111200	22-1 - H-3. Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 1.	S/P Son 3
1201	40	111200	22-1 - H-3. Received 10 - 15 rounds small arms fire into CP from AF 972660. Returned 50 mds 21 and 3 M-79. Squad on way to check out area.	S/P Son 3

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Organization10000 10000 10000 10000
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TIME IN CUT	SER NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
1215	41	111215	10-1 - 10-3. Patrol 7 is at checkpoint 3.	S/P
1230	42	111230	10-1 - 10-3. Patrol 1 has been cancelled because of friendly patrol in area.	S/P
1235	43	111235	10-1 - 10-3. Patrol 7 is at checkpoint 4.	S/P
1250	44	111250	Patrol 7 (total) has returned to P.	S/P
1310	45	111310	10-1 - 10-3. Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 2.	S/P
1400	46	111400	10-1 - 10-3. Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 3.	S/P
1415	47	111415	10-1 - 10-3. Patrol leader of patrol 7 talked to Vietnamese at 02 031643. They told him two VC had come from An Nh (2) 02 021643 to Uon Toy(2) 02 031643 and held meeting with 50% of population. VC had tried to incite Vietnamese against Americans with a PAF (air) strike and the VC took off. Patrol also found 4 strand barbed wire that Vietnamese said was used for new bullet being constructed by American government.	S/P Son 3
1440	48	111440	10-1 - 10-3. Patrol 1 arrived checkpoint 4.	S/P
1442	49	111442	10-1 - 10-2. Patrol 1 sent to check out minefield at 02 090621 (tags 1130, 1130, 1145). Mine detector didn't function but size of field (35 x 35 meters) was estimated by firing several M-79 and observing explosions. Will dispatch patrol tomorrow with mine detector and clear (Sold).	S/P Son 3
1445	50	111445	10-1 - 10-3. Picked up suspicious Vietnamese at 02 090623. One taken to IVN.	S/P Son 3
1505	51	111505	10-1 - 10-3. Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 5.	S/P
1512	52	111512	10-1 - 10-3. Patrol 1 has returned.	S/P
1535	53	111535	10-1 - 10-3. Ref tag 10255. Negative results on patrol.	S/P
1600	54	111600	Journal closed.	

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Organization111800 - 122600H Dec 1965
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TIME IN	SER NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
1800	1	111800	Journal Opened.	
1830	2	111830	Stain-K - BB-3. Kilo-D 2 has returned.	S/F
1800	3	111800	(Late entry) HVBN - BB-3. HVBN secret agent rptd that 15 guerrillas are hiding at (AT 975687). Will move to La Long Hamlet on 11 Dec 65 in order to capture a number of people who have been helping pacification cadre and send them to the mtns. for training. One (1) main force platoon commanded by Maj Com hiding at (AT 085670) in order to coordinate w/guerrillas of Iba Goi and Ha Long villages. One (1) main force company is hiding in vic AT 935601 and AT 945602. Designation and commander unk. Rating: B-2	BB-6, 2 Stain-3, I
111900	4	111900	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 1 - all secure.	S/F
1905	5	111905	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 2 at ambush sight.	S/F
1930	6	111930	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 2 has departed.	S/F
1926	7	111926	Mags # 110135H & # 1007462 received.	S/F
1950	8	111950	Warehouse-1 - BG-3. Ambush 3 has departed.	S/F
2000	9	112000	BB-H - BB-3. Hotel 1 - all secure.	S/F
2015	10	112015	BB-H - BB-3. Listening Post 3 has set in.	S/F
2017	11	112017	Axbridge-6 - BB-3. Req one (1) fire team for security tomorrow at 0600H to go to Go Farca, HES Co will provide.	S/F
2100	12	112100	Stain-3 - BB-3. Lima Ambush 1 & Lima Listening Post 1 have departed.	S/F
2147	13	112147	Sen-AG - BB-3. Helo lift of ten (10) Co E & G personnel will be at 120600H.	S/F, EAC BB-E, G
2200	14	112200	Stain-3 - BB-3. India Listening Post 2 has departed.	S/F
2203	15	112203	BB-H - BB-3. Hotel 1 - all secure.	S/F
2235	16	112235	BB-H - BB-3. Hotel 1 - all secure.	S/F
2300	17	112300	BB-H - BB-3. Hotel 1 - all secure.	S/F
2320	18	112320	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 2 has returned.	S/F
2322	19	112322	Sen - BB-3. Smokeroom has ambush tonight from 122400H - 130600H (AT 993706).	S/F Bridge
2330	20	112330	BB-H - BB-3. Hotel 1 - all secure.	S/F

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TIME IN OUT	Ser NO.	ITG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
2323	21	112323	Swain-1 - BB-3. At 2310, India CP was approached by two (2) individuals in vic AT 973661. CP threw grenades and fired wpons - M-14. India-6 to check and rpt later.	S/F
2345	22	112345	Swain-3 - BB-3. Kilo ambush 2 returned.	S/F
0004	23	120004	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 3 has departed.	S/F
0026	24	120026	Bridge-3 - BB-3. At 0005H, spotted what seemed to be two (2) persons 150 meters west of RR Bridge at AT 993687. Shot white parachute and saw what appeared to be two (2) people run. Fired four (4) mads and possibly hit one (1).	S/B Son-3
0028	25	120028	Swain-3 - BB-3. India Listening Post 2 has departed.	S/F
0038	26	120038	Ref journal entry ITG 112323H. Area was illum. Neg results.	S/F
0110	27	120110	BB-H - BB-3. Btcl 1 - all secure.	S/F
0155	28	120155	Swain-1 - BB-3. India 1 ambush returned w/neg results.	S/F
0204	29	120204	BB-H - BB-3. Btcl 1 - all secure.	S/F
0230	30	120230	BB-H - BB-3. Btcl 1 - all secure.	S/F
0250	31	120250	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 3 has returned.	S/F
0300	32	120300	BB-H - BB-3. Btcl 1 - all secure.	S/F
0330	33	120330	BB-H - BB-3. Btcl 1 - all secure.	S/F
0335	34	120335	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 4 has departed.	S/F
0400	35	120400	BB-H - BB-3. Btcl 1 - all secure.	S/F
0430	36	120430	Swain-2 - BB-3. Kilo 3 ambush has departed.	S/F
0435	37	120435	BB-H - BB-3. Btcl 1 - all secure.	S/F
0515	38	120515	BB-H - BB-3. Btcl 1 - all secure.	S/F
0520	39	120520	Swain-3 - BB-3. India Listening Posts 1 & 2 are back in.	S/F
0545	40	120545	BB-H - BB-3. Btcl 1 - all secure.	S/F
0547	41	120547	Swain-3 - BB-3. India Listening Post 3 has returned.	S/F
0601	42	120601	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 4 has returned.	S/F
0700	43	120700	Axhandle-G - BB-3. Rpts road is clear from Bn CP to company F.	S/F BB-4
0730	44	120730	Swain-3 - BB-3. Kilo ambush 3 has returned.	S/F

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TIME IN	CUT	Ser NC.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M, S, T,
0745		45	120745	Ashendle-C - BB-3. Road is clear from the N-6 Bridge to Co F CP.	S/P BB-4
0800		46	120800	Sen-14 - BB-3. No helo resupply today.	S/P
0810		47	120810	Sen-3 - BB-3. Smoke room will be operating in grid square (AT 9971) (AT 9870) from 120800 - 121130H.	S/P Bridge-3
0812		48	120812	Sen-3 - BB-3. India patrol 1 - CANCELLED. India Patrol 2 has departed.	S/P
0800		49	120800	BB-34 - BB-3. Patrol 1 has departed.	S/P
0850		50	120850	Stain-5 - BB-3. Lt. Brown, R.H., B-2/9 has been shot and killed by friendly fire.	S-1, BB-6
0855		51	120855	Road is clear to 120 meters of bridge and lateral road.	S/P
0857		52	120857	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 has departed.	S/P
0915		53	120915	Heavy Fist - BB-3. Sit Rep: five (5) vehicles operative; two (2) at Co F CP, two (2) at Co H CP, one (1) at Bn CP, one (1) more vehicle due back today or tomorrow.	S/P
0922		54	120922	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 at checkpoint 1.	S/P
0930		55	120930	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 to Ha Dong rpt that registration in area south of Ha Dong (AT 968635) - CANCELLED.	S/P FSCC
0945		56	120945	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 reached checkpoint 2.	S/P
0950		57	120950	BB-F - BB-3. Rpt that about 40 Vietnamese are at Co F CP w/body of a 15 yr. old girl. They claim she was killed by arty this morning vic (AT 985635) and they wanted payment.	S/P Giv Aff
1000		58	121000	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 3 at checkpoint 3.	S/P
0800		59	120800	(Late entry). Engineer Team took abt 10 rounds incoming from Duong Son (3) vic AT 987672. No fire was returned.	S/P
1025		60	121025	BB-H - BB-3. Rpts one (1) rnd 60mm fire (AT 032637). S/P FSCC & Co F rpt that nothing was fired in that area.	S/P
1100		61	121100	BB-4 - BB-3. Patrol 1 rpt receiving 5-6 rnds SA fire in East DONG SON (2) vic (AT 997677). Pursued two (2) Vietnamese w/neg results. Apprehended two (2) male VCS in Duong Son (3). While returning the patrol received SA fire fr vic (AT 999673).	S/P BB-2 Sen-3
1110		62	121110	BB-F - BB-3. Received auto wpn fire from vic AT 001641 returned fire w/60mm. On the way.	S/P Sen-3

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TIME IN OUT	Ser NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
1145	63	121145	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 at checkpoint 3.	S/F
1210	64	121210	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 at checkpoint 4.	S/F
1215	65	121215	BB-3 - BB-H. Alerted Co H that they are one hr. alert and will leave within the hr.	S/F Co F
1225	66	121225	BB-3 - San-3. Notified San-3 that we are moving one (1) sqd from Co H away from the river block.	S/F
1310	67	121310	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 at checkpoint 5.	S/F
1330	68	121330	San-3 - BB-3. Patrol 1 has returned. Sit Rep: India Patrol 3 had neg contact.	S/F
1400	69	121400	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol (BT 000643) received 20-30 rounds of auto wns SA fire from three (3) VC (BT 002642). Patrol returned fire w/auto wns and 60mm mortor fire. Unable to check are. No cas.	S/F
1530	70	121530	PG-H - PG-3. Co H convoy on the way.	S/F
1540	71	121540	BB-F6 - BB-3. 2d Plt will take up Co H position and are setting in now.	S/F
1555	72	121555	San-3 - BB-3. India-1d has departed w/eng to check out the path w/markings. (AT 968674)	S/F
1650	73	121650	San-2 - BB-3. Inform Truong Long (BT 041721) has arms cache (3.5 parts and auto). Village Chief will visit tomorrow to supervise confiscation.	S/F
1800	74	121800	Journal Closed.	

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TIME IN	CUT	SER. NO.	DFG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
1200		1	121800	Journal opened	
1205		2	121805	Skin 1 - H-3. Patrol 1 reported finding spider trap 6' x 4' with bamboo siding at AF 968674. No recent use indicated. In same vic found pole & (2) master on long trail. Noticed people avoiding use of area. Patrol also reports bunker being constructed at AF 974666. Patrol sent to check out with negative results.	S/P Sun 3
1206		3	121806	Indo 2 - H-3. Bunker that was found earlier this afternoon was 6 foot long, 4 foot wide and 4 foot high. Front and rear entrances with 3 apertures. Bunker was completely destroyed by 5 lbs F-1 and 3 2.5" rocket rounds.	S/P Sun 3
1255		4	121855	Forw Rst - H-3. 1 of 2 Ortos is being taken to S/P provide convoy security.	S/P
1327		5	122327	Indo 1 - H-3. IP 2 and subtask 2 have departed.	S/P
1329		6	122329	Indo 1 - H-3. Subtask 3 and 4 have departed.	S/P
2210		7	122210	Indo 1 - H-3. Subtask 3 has departed.	S/P
0037		8	130037	Skin 3 - H-3. Kilo patrol 2 4 has returned.	S/P
0055		9	130055	Bunker 2 illuminated; saw movement. Result unk.	S/P
0105		10	130105	Kilo - H-3. Kilo subtask 1 has returned.	S/P
0155		11	130155	Skin 3 - H-3. Indo subtask 2 has returned.	S/P
0320		12	130320	Kilo - H-3. Subtask 3 has returned.	S/P
0435		13	130435	Skin 3 - H-3. Indo IP 2 has returned.	S/P
0435		14	130435	Skin 1 - H-3. IP 3 has returned.	S/P
0435		15	130435	Skin 1 - H-3. IP 4 has returned.	S/P
0500		16	130500	Skin 1 - H-3. Subtask 3 has returned.	S/P
0710		17	130710	Skin 3 - H-3. Kilo patrol 1 has departed.	S/P
0810		18	130810	Skin 3 - H-3. Indo team is going to have a patrol via AF 992705 commencing approx 0930H for a one (1) hour period.	S/P
0825		19	130825	Indo 2 - H-3. The road is clear from the H-6 bridge to Co 2.	S/P
0925		20	130925	Skin 3 - H-3. 5 foot searchlight cov is operational S/P and will be positioned at Skin 3P by nightfall. Read directions for direct & indirect illum via this.	S/P

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Staff Section2d Battalion, 9th Marines
Organization2200 - 1300H Dec 1965
Time, Open - Closed

TIME IN OUT	Ser NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M, S, T, J
1000	21	131000	Scn 120 - H-3. A seven (7) man team will be visiting in Cm 10 & Dong Son complexes between 0700 and 1500 today and tomorrow to exterminate bogs by spraying.	S/P Son 24
1025	22	131025	Armed C - H-3. The road is clear all the way.	S/P
1045	23	131045	H-3 - H-3. Patrol 1 has departed.	S/P
1046	24	131130	H-3 - H-3. Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 1.	S/P
1235	25	131235	H-3 - H-3. Request med evac at AF 986643. 2 WIA result of mine.	S/P Son 3
1239	26	131239	H-3 - H-3. Red evacuation helo on the way.	S/P
1255	27	131255	Scn 3 - H-3. 51 W KM, 12D estimated W KM and 50 captured.	S/P
1355	28	131355	H-3 - H-3. Patrol at AF 990643 detonated H-36 frag grenade apparently on trip wire and sustained 2 WIA at 1235. At 1239, while awaiting helo evac another explosion occurred at AF 989643 injuring no one. Apparently 105 rd was electrically detonated. 4 suspicious Vietnamese females in general area. It is thought they may know something about the explosions.	S/P Son 3
1407	29	131407	H-3 - H-3. Patrol 6 1 is at checkpoint 1.	S/P
1510	30	131510	H-3 - H-3. Patrol 6 1 is at checkpoint 2.	S/P
1510	31	131510	H-3 - H-3. Patrol 6 1 is at checkpoint 3.	S/P
1555	32	131555	H-3 - H-3. Patrol 6 1 is at checkpoint 4.	S/P
1600	33	131600	H-3 - H-3. Scout sniper team 2 has departed.	S/P
1620	34	131620	Scn 1 - H-3. Team entered Cm 10 with 2 WIS detected. Stated their husbands and son were W, and help collect torso. Men were picked up at AF 987647. They said that they know where the 2 W were hiding.	S/P Son 3
1645	35	131645	H-3 - H-3, one ARV vehicle (6 x 6) travelling north on Highway 1 was fired on at AF 041621. 1 ARV soldier was wounded. Company of rangers was dispatched to area.	S/P Son 3
1700	36	131700	Scn 3 - H-3. Found secret agent reports W Cm 10 with pictures located at: La Gia (3) AF 957377, La Gia (3) AF 962077, Cm 10 (3) AF 963644 and one platoon in grid square 9170. (cont'd)	S/P Son 3

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Staff Section2d Battalion, 9th Marines
Organization12000 - 13000 Dec 1965
Time, Open - Closed

TIME IN	CUT	SER NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T. F
				(cont'd) The VC company was said to be equipped with 5 RPG's, 1 82mm mortar, 5 M-60's, 36 rifles, M-1's and carbines. Their order of attack is: a pontoon bridge 946, BM 22, BM 41, and District HQs grid square 9300. Company is commanded by Lt. Col.	
1700	37		131700	Smith 3 - DD-3. India scout sniper team 3 has returned.	S/P
1730	38		131730	Smith 3 - DD-3. India scout sniper team 1 has returned.	S/P
1800	39		131800	Journal closed	

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Organization

131800 - 141800 H Dec 1965

Time, Open - Closed

TIME IN	CUT	Ser NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M, S, T, F
1800		1	131800	Journal Opened.	
1820		2	131820	Swain-3 - BB-3. Swain-K 1 has departed.	S/F
1845		3	131845	Heavy Fist - BB-3. 6th ontos has been returned to Br CP.	S/F
1910		4	131910	Swain-3 - BB-3. Swain-K 1 has returned.	S/F
2010		5	132010	Swain-3 - BB-3. Swain-K Patrol 2 has departed.	S/F
2040		6	132040	BB-F - BB-3. 6 Ambush 1 at checkpoint 1.	S/F
2100		7	132100	Swain-3 - BB-3. Will be using spotlight.	S/F
2140		8	132140	BB-F - BB-3. 6 Ambush 1 at checkpoint 2.	S/F
2215		9	132215	BB-Yankee - BB-3. Saw two (2) or three (3) figures trying to get through tactical wire at (AT 993681). Taken under fire by perimeter security.	S/F
2233		10	132233	Swain-K - BB-3. Patrol 2 has returned.	S/F
2235		11	132235	Swain-3 - BB-3. Swain-I 1 - neg contact.	S/F
2255		12	132255	Swain-3 - BB-3. Listening Post 2 has departed.	S/F
0035		13	140035	BB-15 - BB-3. Vietnamese male w/schrapnel wound in abdomen was carried into CP. Has been tagged VCS and holo evacuated via grid sq AT 9965.	S/F
0050		14	140050	Med evac completed.	S/F
0120		15	140120	Perimeter security saw non 150 meters N. E. of their position near claymore mine. Illum and fired five (5) rds SA. Saw man fall. Search team was dispatched w/neg results.	S/F
0220		16	140230	M-3/3 - all secure.	S/F
0245		17	140245	BB-F - BB-3. 6 Ambush 2 at checkpoint 2.	S/F
0300		18	140300	M-3/3 - all secure.	S/F
0310		19	140310	BB-F - BB-3. 6 Ambush 2 at checkpoint 3.	S/F
0320		20	140320	BB-F - BB-3. 6 Ambush 2 has returned.	S/F
0325		21	140325	M-3/3 - all secure.	S/F
0350		22	140350	M-3/3 - all secure.	S/F
0415		23	140415	(Late entry) Swain-3 - BB-3. Swain-K Patrol 2 returned at 140223 H.	S/F
0430		24	140430	M-3/3 - all secure.	S/F
0445		25	140445	M-3/3 - all secure.	S/F

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Organization

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Time, Open - Closed

TIME IN CUT	Ser NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M, S, T, F
0530	26	140530	M-3/3 - all secure.	S/F
0550	27	140550	Swain-3 - BB-3. India Listening Post 2 has returned. S/F w/neg results. Kilo Ambush 2 has returned w/neg results.	S/F
0650	28	140650	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 6 has returned.	S/F
0820	29	140820	Swain-3 - BB-3. India ambush 3 has returned.	S/F
0830	30	140830	Monroe - Motherhood. Daily weather report.	S/F
0900	31	140900	BB-F - BB-3. 5 Patrol 1 has departed.	S/F
0905	32	140905	Sen-14 - BB-3. Halo resupply will go at 141030H instead of 1300H.	S/F AO
0915	33	140915	BB-F - BB-3. 5 Patrol 1 at checkpoint 1.	S/F
0935	34	140935	BB-F - BB-3. 5 Patrol 1 at checkpoint 2.	S/F
1030	35	141030	BB-F - BB-3. 5 Patrol 1 at checkpoint 3.	S/F
1031	36	141031	BB-F - BB-3. 6 Patrol 1 at checkpoint 2.	S/F
1100	37	141100	BB-F - BB-3. 5 Patrol 1 at checkpoint 4.	S/F
1110	38	141110	BB-F - BB-3. 5 Patrol 1 has returned.	S/F
1135	39	141135	Swain-3 - BB-3. Halo taking personnel to "HARVEST MOON" will be at this CP 141230H.	S/F AO
1150	40	141150	BB-F5 - BB-3. FT Patrol dispatched to investigate 1g rice cache located vic AT 993650. Neg results.	S/F
1220	41	141220	BB-F5 - BB-3. FT Patrol returned.	S/F
1300	42	141300	BB-F6 - BB-3. Patrol 1 at checkpoint 1.	S/F
1325	43	141325	BB-F6 - BB-3. Mite driving south on Hwy #1 (BT 017678) received two (2) SA rnds from vic BT 027678. No action taken.	S/F
1343	44	141343	BB-F6 - BB-3. Patrol 1 at checkpoint 2.	S/F
1420	45	141420	Swain-3 - BB-3. 2/9 is to provide blocking force from (AT 942650 - AT 954650) if Hill 22 is attacked.	S/F
1430	46	141430	BB-F6 - BB-3. Patrol 2 has departed.	S/F
1455	47	141455	BB-F6 - BB-3. Patrol 2 at checkpoint 1.	S/F
1530	48	141530	BB-F6 - BB-3. Patrol 2 at checkpoint 2.	S/F
1615	49	141615	BB-F6 - BB-3. Patrol 2 at checkpoint 3.	S/F
1635	50	141635	Swain-3 - BB-3. India T 1 has returned.	S/F
1800	51	141800	Journal Closed.	

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130000 - 140000 Dec 1965

Time, Open - Closed

TIME IN	TIME OUT	Ser NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
2000		1	132000	010000 - 030000	
1320		2	132000	Unit-3 - H-3. Unit-1 has departed.	S/P
1345		3	132045	Heavy Post - H-3. 6th antcs has been returned to H-2.	S/P
1910		4	132010	Unit-3 - H-3. Unit-1 has returned.	S/P
2010		5	132010	Unit-3 - H-3. Unit-1 Patrol 2 has departed.	S/P
2040		6	132040	H-7 - H-3. 6 Antsh 1 at checkpoint 1.	S/P
2100		7	132100	Unit-3 - H-3. Will be using spotlight.	S/P
2240		8	132140	H-7 - H-3. 6 Antsh 1 at checkpoint 2.	S/P
2215		9	132215	H-7 - H-3. See two (2) or three (3) figures trying to get through tactical wire at (AF 99965). Then under fire by perimeter security.	S/P
2233		10	132233	Unit-3 - H-3. Patrol 2 has returned.	S/P
2235		11	132235	Unit-3 - H-3. Unit-1 1 - neg contact.	S/P
2255		12	132255	Unit-3 - H-3. Monitoring Post 2 has departed.	S/P
0035		13	140035	H-3 - H-3. Reference note w/signal would be obtained and carried into H-2. Has been tagged H-3 and will be evacuated via grid sq AF 9965.	S/P
0050		14	140050	01 over completed.	S/P
0120		15	140120	Perimeter security saw over 150 notes J. R. of think condition near claymore mine. Illus and First SIE (C) units at. Search from the 01-02-03 w/ neg results.	S/P
0230		16	140230	H-3 - all secure.	S/P
0245		17	140245	H-7 - H-3. 6 Antsh 2 at checkpoint 2.	S/P
0300		18	140300	H-3 - all secure.	S/P
0310		19	140310	H-7 - H-3. 6 Antsh 2 at checkpoint 3.	S/P
0320		20	140320	H-7 - H-3. 6 Antsh 2 has returned.	S/P
0325		21	140325	H-3 - all secure.	S/P
0330		22	140330	H-3 - all secure.	S/P
0415		23	140415	(Auto entry) Unit-3 - H-3. Unit-3 Patrol 2 informed at 14022011.	S/P
0430		24	140430	H-3 - all secure.	S/P
0445		25	140445	H-3 - all secure.	S/P

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Organization

121000 - 141000H Dec 1965

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TIME IN GUT	Ser NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
0530	26	140530	12-3/3 - all secure.	S/F
0550	27	140550	Strain-3 - ID-3. India 1st/2nd Foot 2 hrs returned. S/F 1/2og results. Kilo Ambush 2 hrs returned 1/2og results.	S/F
0650	28	140650	12-3/3 - ID-3. Patrol 6 hrs returned.	S/F
0820	29	140820	Strain-3 - ID-3. India ambush 3 hrs returned.	S/F
0830	30	140830	Horizon - Weather report.	S/F
0900	31	140900	12-3/3 - ID-3. Patrol 1 hrs departed.	S/F
0905	32	140905	Strain-3 - ID-3. Kilo resupply will go at 141030H instead of 1330H.	S/F 10
0915	33	140915	12-3/3 - ID-3. 5 Patrol 1 at checkpoint 1.	S/F
0935	34	140935	12-3/3 - ID-3. 5 Patrol 1 at checkpoint 2.	S/F
1030	35	141030	12-3/3 - ID-3. 5 Patrol 1 at checkpoint 3.	S/F
1031	36	141031	12-3/3 - ID-3. 6 Patrol 1 at checkpoint 2.	S/F
1100	37	141100	12-3/3 - ID-3. 5 Patrol 1 at checkpoint 4.	S/F
1110	38	141110	12-3/3 - ID-3. 5 Patrol 1 hrs returned.	S/F
1235	39	141235	Strain-3 - ID-3. Kilo taking personnel to "BAMM" will be at 0900H 141230H.	S/F 10
1250	40	141250	12-3/3 - ID-3. 17 Patrol dispatched to investigate 1/2og cache located vic AF 993650. 1/2og results.	S/F
1259	41	141259	12-3/3 - ID-3. 17 Patrol returned.	S/F
1300	42	141300	12-3/3 - ID-3. Patrol 1 at checkpoint 1.	S/F
1325	43	141325	12-3/3 - ID-3. Kilo driving south on Hwy #1 (AF 017073) received two (2) SA radio from vic AF 021072. No action taken.	S/F
1343	44	141343	12-3/3 - ID-3. Patrol 2 at checkpoint 2.	S/F
1420	45	141420	Strain-3 - ID-3. 2/3 is to provide blocking force area (AF 943650 - AF 954650) if Hill 22 is attacked.	S/F
1430	46	141430	12-3/3 - ID-3. Patrol 2 hrs departed.	S/F
1455	47	141455	12-3/3 - ID-3. Patrol 2 at checkpoint 1.	S/F
1530	48	141530	12-3/3 - ID-3. Patrol 2 at checkpoint 2.	S/F
1615	49	141615	12-3/3 - ID-3. Patrol 2 at checkpoint 3.	S/F
1635	50	141635	Strain-3 - ID-3. India F 1 hrs returned.	S/F
1800	51	141800	Journal Closed.	

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2d Battalion, 9th Marines
Organization141800 152300 1965
Time, Open - Closed

TIME IN	SER NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
1800	1	141800	Journal opened	
1855	2	141855	ARVN 593d RF Co has security post at AT 985682.	S/F
1900	3	141900	Son 2 - BB-3. 1 VC company of 150 men with 1 60mm and SPRS are wearing grey and black and moving in area of AT 997645 - HF 004648. Mission is to attack Duong Son AT 994669 and HF 003668. May move in through Tan Hanh.	S/F
1910	4	141910	Son 2 - BL-3. 15 VC belonging to Da Nang element with 1 BAR and small arms, and undetermined no. of guerrillas of Hba Da are hiding in Man Quang at AT 032687. They may move to Hba Da to harass USMC units there. (Ref msg 3).	S/F
1930	5	141930	Son 3 - BB-3. Kilo patrol 1 has returned.	S/F
1931	6	141935	Warehouse 3 - BB-3. India received 15 rounds sniper fire from AT 962677 (south). Did not return S.A. Shiping ceased.	S/F Son 3
2105	7	142105	Son 3 - BB-3. India ambush 2 has departed.	S/F
2145	8	142145	Son 3 - BB-3. Kilo ambush 2 has departed.	S/F
2150	9	142150	Son 3 - BB-3. India LP 2 has departed.	S/F
2151	10	142145	Son 2 - BB-3. VC infiltrators will be going into Phong Lo (1) AT 995699 for purpose of staging demonstration that will spread into Da Nang. (C-3).	S/F
2345	11	142345	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 6 has returned.	S/F
0045	12	150045	Son 3 reports a grenade was thrown at Kilo's position. Six small arms rounds were returned.	S/F Son 3
0055	13	150055	Son 3 - BB-3. India ambush 1 has departed.	S/F
0100	14	150100	Son 3 - BB-3. Kilo ambush 1 has returned.	S/F
0105	15	150105	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 6 is at checkpoint 2.	S/F
0200	16	150200	Son 3 - BB-3. Kilo ambush 2 has returned.	S/F
0210	17	150210	Son 3 - BB-3. India ambush 2 has returned.	S/F
0245	18	150245	Son 3 - BB-3. India LP 1 has returned.	S/F
0315	19	150315	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 6 has returned.	S/F
0350	20	150350	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 63 has departed.	S/F
0405	21	150405	Son 3 - BB-3. India LP 2 has returned.	S/
0420	22	150420	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 63 is at checkpoint 11.	
0450	23	150450	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 63 is at checkpoint 2.	

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Organization

141800 - 151800H Dec 1965

Time, Open - Closed

TIME IN OUT	Ser NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
0500	24	150500	Swain 3 - BB-3. India patrol 1 has returned.	S/F
0535	25	150535	Mike 3/3 all secure.	
0605	26	150605	1 Light section ontoes called back to their CP to be used as convoy guards.	S/F
0703	27	150703	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 61 has returned.	S/F
0713	28	150713	Swain 3 - BB-3. Minesweeping detail just left CP.	S/F
0745	29	150745	Archandis C - BB-3. Road clear from N-6 bridge to Binhrot.	S/F
0825	30	150825	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 now departing.	S/F
0830	31	150830	Swain 3 - BB-3. Patrol 4 has departed.	S/F
0831	32	150831	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 61 leaving IP.	S/F
0840	33	150840	Swain 3 - BB-3. Patrol 2 has just departed.	S/F
1000	34	151000	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 has departed.	S/F
1012	35	151012	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 61 is at checkpoint 1.	S/F
1040	36	151040	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 1.	S/F
1041	37	151041	Swain 3 - BB-3. Kilo patrol 4 received small arms fire from 5 VC at AT 953648. Fire was returned. Patrol attempting to engage VC.	S/F
1050	38	151050	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 61 arrived checkpoint 2.	S/F
1102	39	151102	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 2 is at checkpoint 2.	S/F
1103	40	151100	Swain 3 - BB-3. India at AT 971662 received ten rounds sniper fire at AT 971659. No casualties. Returned 10 - 15 rounds plus one (1) M-79 round. An sending patrol to investigate. Negative results.	S/F
1125	41	151125	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 61 is at checkpoint 3.	S/F
1145	42	151145	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 61 has returned.	S/F
1200	43	151240	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 2 is at checkpoint 1.	S/F
1250	44	151250	BB-F - BB-3. At AT 996646 squad patrol received 50 rounds and one (1) grenade from vic (AT 998645) Estimated 10 VC with 3 AR. Returned fire with S/A and 7 rounds 81mm Mortars. VC fire ceased. Estimated 2 VC casualties.	S/F
1315	45	151315	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 62 is at checkpoint 2.	S/
1317	46	151317	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 has returned.	
1410	47	151410	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 62 is at checkpoint 3.	

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2d Battalion, 9th Marines
Organization141800 - 151800H Dec 1965
Time, Open - Closed

TIME IN	SER NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
CUT				
1430	48	151430	BB-X - BB-3. Squad (rein) patrol received heavy SA fire from AT 952643 resulting in three (3) WIA's. Med evac approx 151230H. Arty fired 46 105 MM rds at AT 952643. Unit being reinforced by company to sweep the area.	S/F Sgn 3
1440	49	151450	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol has departed.	S/F
1450	50	151450	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 62 is at checkpoint 4.	S/F
1510	51	151510	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 2 is entering Ha Dong.	S/F
1525	52	151525	Squad 3 - BB-3. I Co plt sweeping south. Present position (AT 961655). K Co plt sweeping north, present position (AT 949699). When they meet, both platoons will sweep north.	Sgn 3 S/F Sgn 3
1545	53	151545	BB-F - BB-3. At AT 993647, one (1) Marine received minor face and chest wounds from electrically detonated mine. Evacuated to Co CP. Plt is continuing to sweep Ha Dong area.	S/F Sgn 3
1552	54	151552	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 62 has returned.	S/F
1553	55	151553	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 2 receiving SA fire from AT 002641, patrol is at AT 001643. Returned small arms and called in 81's.	S/N/F Sgn 3
1540	56	151540	Squad 3 - BB-3. Indispliplinon receiving 5 - 6 SA fire from AT 957651. Plt is at AT 961655. Returned fire with SA fire.	S/F Sgn 3
1620	57	151620	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 2 at AT 993645 sustained one WIA (frag wounds). Med evac ordered. Suspected booby-trapped grenade.	S/F Sgn 3
1635	58	151635	BB-3 - Sgn 3. Med evac completed.	S/F
1705	59	151705	Squad 3 - BB-3. Ref msg 151525. New position KI AT 952643. I 2 now at AT 955645.	S/F Sgn 3
1725	60	151725	Patrol 5 picked up wound (Foxtrrot) Vietnamese girl (AT 993645). Med evac on way. One Marine also WIA same coordinates.	S/F Sgn 3
1800	61	151800	Squad 3 - BB-3. India and kilo have returned to CP.	S/F
1800	62	151800	Journal closed.	

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2d Bn, 9th MarinesOrganization
12000 - 14000 Dec 1959

Time, Open - Closed

TIME IN CUT	Ser NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
1800	3	151000	Journal opened.	
1801	2	151001	12-3 - 12-3. Patrol 2 has returned.	S/P
1855	3	151055	12-3 - 12-3. Marine tripped boobytrap (12 97745). Received word in phone. One (1) Marine by name was wounded. Pkt returned to Co CP at 1800Z.	S/P M-3
1900	3	151000	12-3 - 12-3. 12th patrol has departed. India Patrol 3 has departed.	S/P
1915	4	151015	12-3 - 12-3. Marines 40 & 41 just received two (2) auto incendiary.	S/P M-3, 6
1916	5	151016	Received daily weather report.	S/P
1930	6	151030	12-3 - 12-3. India Watchdog Post 3 has departed.	S/P
1940	7	151040	12-3 - 12-3. Marines name whose daughter is at Co F now & desire to see her daughter.	S/P
1955	8	151055	12-3 - 12-3. 12th Watch 2 & India Watchdog Post 6 have departed.	S/P
2010	9	152010	12-3 - 12-3. Watch 1 at checkpoint 1.	S/P
2030	10	152030	12-3 - 12-3. India Watchdog Post 2 has departed.	S/P
2035	11	152035	12-3 - 12-3. Post 34 reported hearing noise by specified time, was the noise and was caused out to investigate. First shots were thrown at him after (1) hitting him on the back.	S/P
2036	12	152036	12-3 - 12-3. Before pg 6 of the IZI (12) 14 Dec 53, S/P Post begins at 140030Z. (2) In coordination w/ 5910 SF Bn, conduct search of building, attempting to identify from village if any track to report. (2) Report action taken and results.	S/P
2051	13	152051	12-3 - 12-3. Co 3 returned.	S/P
2052	14	152052	12-3 - 12-3. Lieutenant reported several trips 12000 152000 outside Marines 36 & 42. 12000 12000 and one (1) and final.	S/P
2053	15	152053	12-3 - 12-3. Watch 6 at checkpoint 2.	S/P
2115	16	152115	12-3 - 12-3. Smokeless smoke is seen.	M-3, 2, 3, 4 M-1 CO's
2145	17	152145	12th Watch 12-2 - 12-3. 41 occurs.	S/P
2217	18	152217	12-3 - 12-3. India Watch 4 has departed.	S/P

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Organization

152000 - 160000 Dec 1965

Time, Open - Closed

TIME IN	CUT	SER NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
2210		19	152220	S-3 - H-H. (1) Meeting RNN for conference on R-H 2, south of Can Le Bac Bridge. (2) Truck was located w/ G-100 road, w/ four (4) Vietnamese drivers. Driver marked w/ G-10 inside of red circle. (3) If any, report to H-H 3.	S/P R-H 1,2 R-H 30
2220	0	20	152220	S-3 - H-H. Mine Patrol 1 has returned. Mine Ambush 1 has returned.	S/P
2222		20	152222	H-H 3 - closed in.	S/P
2223		21	152223	S-3 - H-H. Radio Listening Post 3 has departed.	S/P
2255		22	152255	H-H 3 - H-H. Mine Patrol 1 at checkpoint 1.	S/P
2255		23	152255	Report for messages # 14242, # 132052, # 150332.	S/P
2300		24	152300	H-H 3 - all aware.	S/P
2320		25	152320	H-H 3 - H-H. Ambush 1 & 2 have departed.	S/P
2325		26	152325	S-3 - H-H. Mine Ambush 2 has returned.	S/P
2325		27	152325	H-H 3 - all aware.	S/P
2332		28	152332	H-H 3 - H-H. Ambush 1 has returned.	S/P
2355		29	152355	H-H 3 - H-H. Ambush 2 has departed.	S/P
2356		30	152356	H-H 3 - all aware.	S/P
0013		31	160113	S-3 - H-H. Radio Ambush 3 has returned.	S/P
0025		32	160125	H-H 3 - all aware.	S/P
0030		33	160130	Radio now in position.	S/P
0051		34	160051	H-H 3 - all aware.	S/P
0120		35	160120	H-H 3 - all aware.	S/P
0150		36	160150	H-H 3 - all aware.	S/P
0240		37	160240	S-3 - H-H. Mine Ambush 3 has departed.	S/P
0250		38	160250	H-H 3 - all aware.	S/P
0320		39	160320	S-3 - H-H. Radio Ambush 2 has departed.	S/P
0330		40	160330	H-H 3 - all aware.	S/P
0335		41	160335	H-H 3 - H-H. Ambush 2 has returned.	S/P
0400		42	160400	H-H 3 - H-H. Ambush 3 has departed.	S/P
0401		43	160401	H-H 3 - all aware.	S/P
0410		44	160410	S-3 - H-H. Ambush - no contact.	S/P
0425		45	160425	H-H 3 - H-H. Ambush 3 at checkpoint 1.	S/P

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23 Rd, 9th MarinesOrganization
150000 - 240000 Dec 1965

Time, Open - Closed

TIME IN	CUT	Ser NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
0440		46	160440	12-16 - 12-3. Ambush 3 at checkpoint 2.	S/F
0510		47	160920	Smash-3 - 12-3. India Bistoning Post 2, India Ambush 4, India Bistoning Post 4 have returned.	S/F
0530		48	160920	Smash-3 - 12-3. H-2/3 - all secure.	S/F
0645		49	160645	Smash-3 - 12-3. India Ambush 3, India Bistoning Post 6 have returned.	S/F
0700		50	160700	12-3 - 12-3. Ambush 3 has returned.	S/F
0725		51	160725	Smash-3 - 12-3. India Bistoning Post 1 has returned.	S/F
0730		52	160730	Ambush-6 - 12-3. Post cleared from 2/9 12 to 2/7 12.	S/F
0735		53	160735	Smash-3 - 12-3. India Patrol 3 has departed.	S/F
0740		54	160740	Ambush-6 - 12-3. Post is cleared all the way.	S/F, M-4
0755		55	160755	Smash-3 - 12-3. India Patrol 4 has departed.	S/F
0815		56	160815	Daylight - 12-14. On (6) WTBs & two (2) gun ships on 30 minute standby for reserve force.	S/F
0830		57	160830	Ambush-6 - 12-3. Post internal road is clear.	S/F
0840		58	160840	Smash-3 - 12-3. India Patrol 6 & radio carrying detail 1/3 have departed.	S/F
0925		59	160925	Daylight - 12-14. Recovery choppers are en route to 12-3 due to weather.	S/F
0945		60	160945	Smash-3 - 12-3. India Patrol 1 has departed.	S/F
0950		61	160950	Smash-3 - 12-3. India Patrol 4 has returned.	S/F
1010		62	161010	Smash-3 - 12-3. India Patrol Ambush 1 approximated 2000 (2) WTB at (12 979652). 12-3 1/6 1 will intercept the WTB. More info to follow.	S/F
0945	(LATER DTG)	63	160945	On (1) 1st (radio) dispatched to Phuc Li (1) day w/elements of the 59th ABN Bn to conduct a sweep in accordance w/Msg 1 12 of 15 Dec 65 (re: 1201 1201 of 080655).	S/F
1045		64	161045	Smash-3 - 12-3. India Patrol Ambush 1 has approximated two (2) more additional WTB at (12 973644). More info to follow.	S/F
1115		65	161125	12-3 - 12-3. Patrol 6 at checkpoint 1.	S/F
1130		66	161130	Smash-3 - 12-3. Patrol 1 has returned.	S/F
1130		67	161130	Smash-3 - 12-3. Three (3) WTB were interrogated by 12-3 and released.	S/F
1250		68	161200	12-16 - 12-3. Patrol 2 at checkpoint 2.	S/F

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Organization

151000 - 160000Z Dec 1965

Time, Open - Closed

TIME IN	CUT	Ser NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
1210	69	161210	12-3 - 12-3.	Patrol 2 at checkpoint 2.	✓P
1225	70	161225	12-3 - 12-3.	Patrol 3 received 15 miles 21 Km RHO (AF 95233) and conducted one (1) DMZ. Demand GHO & ordered unit away.	✓P, 2D-3, DMZ
1235	71	161235	12-3 - 12-3.	Order 21 02433 received.	✓P
1250	72	161250	12-3 - 12-3.	Group of Phong Lo (1) completed.	✓P, 2D-3
1310	73	161310	12-3 - 12-3.	Attack 2 at checkpoint 5.	✓P
1325	74	161325	12-3 - 12-3.	Attack 2 now ordering perimeter.	✓P
1422	75	161422	12-3 - 12-3.	Patrol 1 has departed.	✓P
1435	76	161435	12-3 - 12-3 - 12-3.	(RHO GHO) Set road conditions RHO. Essential admin vehicles only. No full digestion no tracked vehicles except for tactical employment.	✓P, 2D-3, DMZ
1450	77	161450	12-3 - 12-3.	Patrol 1 at checkpoint 1.	✓P
1557	78	161557	12-3 - 12-3.	Patrol 2 at checkpoint 2.	✓P
1558	79	161558	12-3 - 12-3.	INFO Patrol 5 has returned.	✓P
1610	80	161610	12-3 - 12-3.	At 161610Z, a Co 2 patrol found two (2) boobytraps at (AF 945634).	✓P
1655	81	161655	12-3 - 12-3.	Patrol 1 at checkpoint 3.	✓P
1700	82	161700	12-3 - 12-3.	Patrol 1 at checkpoint 4.	✓P
1705	83	161705	12-3 - 12-3.	Patrol 1 has returned.	✓P
1800	84	161800		Journal closed.	

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Organization161800 H 171900 H Dec 1965
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TIME IN	CUT	SER NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
1800		1	161800	Journal Opened.	
1820		2	161800	BB-15 - BB-3. Patrol 1 blew 12 fighting holes with 2 secondary explosions. Also blew 5 gates with 1 secondary explosion. All houses were vacant with very few people in village.	S/F Sen 3
1855		3	161855	BB-16 - BB-3. Patrol 1 has departed.	S/F
1920		4	161920	BB-16 - BB-3. Ambush 1 is at checkpoint 1.	S/F
2010		5	162010	Swain 3 - BB-3. India ambush 2 departed 1900. India LP 2 departed 1930, Kilo patrol 1 departed 1745. Kilo ambush 1 departed 1909. Kilo LP, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 departed 1910.	S/F
2030		6	162030	Swain 3 - BB-3. India 1 at AF 962777 has reported movement to their S.W. 5 - 6 people seen moving. Fired 60mm with negative results.	S/F Sen 3
2040		7	162040	BB-34 - BB-3. SID picked up movement in front of bunker 5. Fired three (3) M-70 rds, checked the area with negative results.	S/F Sen 3
2110		8	162110	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol-ambush 6-1 is at checkpoint 3.	S/F
2113		9	162113	Swain 3 - BB-3. India ambush 1 and LP 1 have departed.	S/F
2120		10	162120	ARVN radio. ARVN LP at AF 986682 reports one VC sqd at AF 987686. Req illum. Illum granted and on the way.	S/P/M Sen 3
2130		11	162130	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol-ambush 6-1 is at checkpoint 4.	S/F
2155		12	162155	BB-16 - BB-3. Ambush 1 is at checkpoint 5.	S/F
2225		13	162225	Swain 3 - BB-3. India LP 3 has departed.	S/F
2230		14	162230	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 6-1 has returned.	S/F
2245		15	162245	Swain 3 - BB-3. Kilo ambush 1 has returned.	S/F
2300		16	162300	PG-Y - PG-3. Yankees 1 in position.	S/F
0100		17	160100	Swain 3 - BB-3. India ambush 3 has departed.	S/F
0105		18	170105	PG-Yankee has returned.	S/F
0230		19	170230	Swain 3 - BB-3. India ambush 1 has returned.	S/F
0236		20	170236	Swain 3 - BB-3. India ambush 3 has returned.	S/F
0320		21	170320	Box - BB-3. Ambush 6-3 has departed.	S/F
0345		22	170345	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 6-3 is at checkpoint 1.	S/F
0350		23	170350	Swain 3 - BB-3. Kilo ambush 1, ambush 2 have departed.	S/F

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2d Battalion, 2d Marines
Organization161800 - 171800 H Dec 1965
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TIME IN	CUT	Ser NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
0445	24	170445	BB-F - BB-3.	Ambush 603 arrived checkpoint 2 0400, arrived checkpoint 3 0445.	S/F
0515	25	170515	Swain 3 - BB-3.	India LP 3 and ambush 3 have returned.	S/F
0625	26	170625	Swain 3 - BB-3.	Kilo LP 1 - 6 have returned.	S/F
0634	27	170634	BB-F - BB-3.	Ambush 6-3 is at checkpoint 6.	S/F
0650	28	170650	BB-F6 - BB-3.	Ambush 6-3 has returned..	S/F
0716	29	170716	Swain 3 - BB-3.	Kilo ambush 2 has returned.	S/F
0820	30	170820	Ashcombe C - BB-3.	Road is clear from N-6 bridge and asphalt to company F.	S/F
0855	31	170855	BB-F5 - BB-3.	Patrol 1 departed @ 0835. Now at checkpoint 1.	S/F
0930	32	170930	BB-F5 - BB-3.	Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 2.	S/F
0945	33	170945	BB-F5 0 BB-3.	Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 3.	S/F
1000	34	171000	Swain 3 - BB-3.	Patrol 3 has departed.	S/F
1005	35	171005	Swain 3 - BB-3.	Kilo patrol 4 has departed.	S/F
1005	36	171005	BB-F5 - BB-3.	Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 4. Report receiving small arms fire from across the river. Details to follow.	S/F Sen 3
1015	37	171015	BB-F - BB-3.	Patrol 1 requested 81mm fire at AT 993640. Results unknown.	M/S/F Sen 3
1040	38	171040	BB-F5 0 BB-3.	Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 5.	S/F
1108	39	171108	Sen 3 - BB-3.	Sighting by Swain I last night vic La Bong (3) after SID picked up movement. It is significant as first contact this area for several days. Either this afternoon or tonight, have Swain I units search north from La Bong (3) through Com Ne (3). Report execution and results.	M/S/F
1110	40	171110	Swain 3 - BB-3.	India patrol 1 (AT 965653) received three SA fire from same area. Returned fire with 20 rnds SA and 3 rnds M-79. SA fire ceased and patrol moved in.	S/F Sen 3
1132	41	171132	Sen 3 - BB-3.	Swain command group, BB-E - G are returning from HARVEST MOON today. ETA unknown. BB-H will continue to work for FAT STUFF until return on 19 Dec 1965.	S/F
1115	42	171115	BB-F5 - BB-3.	Patrol 1 has returned.	S/F

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21 Battalion 3rd Marines
Organization

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TIME IN	CUT	SER NO.	ITG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M, S, T
1328		43	171328	BB-K - BB-3. Patrol 3 has returned.	S/F
1334		44	171334	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 6-1 is at checkpoint 3.	S/F
1415		45	171415	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 6-1 is at checkpoint 4.	S/F
1425		46	171425	Swain 3 - BB-3. Kilo patrol 4 has returned.	S/F
1428		47	171428	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 6-1 is at checkpoint 5.	S/F
1431		48	171431	Swain 3 - BB-3. Leaving bridge due to high water.	S/F
1440		49	171440	BB-I - BB-3. ISL-1 has departed.	S/F
1447		503	171447	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 6-1 is entering CP.	S/F
1540		51	171540	BB-I - BB-3. Patrol 1 has returned.	S/F
1605		52	171605	Swain 3 - BB-3. Swain command group will not return till tomorrow.	S/F
1730		53	171730	Swain 3 - BB-3. Kilo patrol 1 has departed.	S/F
1735		54	171735	ARVN LP - (AT 986684). 593d RF Co position (AT 986683).	M/S/F
1800		55	171800	Journal closed.	

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2d Battalion, 9th Marines
Organization171800 - 181800 H Dec 1965
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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO.	ITG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
1800		1	171800	Journal opened.	
1815		2	171815	Sen 3 - BB-3. Co E & G will not return from Operation Harvest Moon until approx noon tomorrow.	S/F
1900		3	171900	Swain 3 - BB-3. Kilo patrol 1 has returned.	S/F
1940		4	171940	BB-34 - BB-3. Trip flare was tripped in front of bunker 11. One (1) rd illumin requested and sent.	S/F Sen 3
1940		5	171940	Swain 3 - BB-3. India LP 3 has departed.	S/F
1955		6	171955	BB-34 - BB-3. Request illumin for the road by bunker 1. Saw someone on road.	S/F
2150		7	172150	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 1 is at checkpoint 1.	S/F
2227		8	172227	BB-34 - BB-3. Yankee has departed.	S/F
2245		9	172245	BB-34 - BB-3. Yankee 1 now in position.	S/F
2300		10	172300	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 6-1 is at checkpoint 2.	S/F
2305		11	172305	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 6-1 has returned.	S/F
2335		12	172335	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 6-2 has departed.	S/F
2355		13	172355	Swain 1 - BB-3. Ambush 1 has departed.	S/F
2400		14	172400	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 6-2 is at checkpoint 1.	S/F
0025		15	180025	Swain 3 - BB-3. Kilo patrol 3 has departed.	S/F
0025		16	180026	BB-34 - BB-3. Yankee 1 has returned.	S/F
0130		17	180130	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 3 is at checkpoint 4.	S/F
0135		18	180135	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 3 is at checkpoint 5.	S/F
0140		19	180140	BB-34 - BB-3. Yankee 2 is in ambush position.	S/F
0205		20	180205	Swain 3 - BB-3. India ambush 1 has returned.	S/F
0300		21	180300	BB-34 - BB-3. Yankee 2 has returned.	S/F
0400		22	180400	Swain 3 - BB-3. India patrol 3 has returned.	S/F
0430		23	180430	Swain 3 - BB-3. Kilo patrol 3 has returned. India LP 2 has returned.	S/F
0445		24	180445	Swain 3 - BB-3. Kilo patrol 4 has departed.	S/F
0600		25	180600	Swain 3 - BB-3. India ambush 4 and ambush 5, LP (Kilo) 1-5 have returned.	S/F
0630		26	180630	Swain 3 - BB-3. Kilo patrol 5 has returned.	S/F
0845		27	180845	Peepsight 14 - PG-14. Helos will be delayed indef due to weather. Storm conditions. Pamphlets drop will be delayed.	S/F

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Organization171800 181800H Dec 1965
Time, Open - Closed

TIME IN	CUT	SER NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
0855		28	180855	Swindle C - BB-3. Road from Co F to asphalt and lateral road are clear.	S/F
0930		29	180930	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 has departed.	S/F
1000		30	181000	Swain 3 - BB-3. Kilo patrol 2 (AT 952651) received small arms fire approx 10 mds from East of river Le Son (4) (AT 958647). Received one (1) USMC WIA. Med evac on the way. Returned fire and enemy fire ceased.	S/F Sen 3
1050		30	181050	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 2.	S/F
1115		31	181115	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 3.	S/F
1150		32	181150	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 4.	S/F
1151		33	181140	Swain 3 - BB-3. Kilo patrol 2 (AT 954650) received SA fire from vic (AT 956648). Returned fire with small arms and one M-79 rnd which hit one VC in chest. 1 VC KIA.	S/F Sen 3
1210		34	181210	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 has returned.	S/F
1300		35	181300	Swain 3 - BB-3. Kilo patrol 2 is at checkpoint 2.	S/F
1430		36	181430	Sen 3 - BB-3. Swain Command group and BB-E and G are due to arrive at Road Runner and Sand Piper at 1500 by halo.	S/F
1445		37	181445	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 6-1 has departed.	S/F
1510		38	181510	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 6-1 is at checkpoint 1.	S/F
1600		39	181600	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 6-1 observed 6 armed VC at ET 013648 from a distance of 1000 meters. VC heading S.E. into treeline. Patrol attempting to regain contact.	N/S/F Sen 3
1600		40	181600	Swain 1 - BB-3. At AT 972663, Swain 1 received approx 25 small arms rounds from 2 positions. 2 VC at AT 972660 and 2 VC at AT 969663. Unit returned fire at AT 972660 and sent patrol to AT 969663, due to friendly Vietnamese in area. VC broke contact.	S/F Sen 3
1725		41	181725	Swain 3 - BB-3. Kilo patrol 1 has departed.	S/F
1730		42	181730	Companies Golf and Echo have returned.	S/F
1750		43	181750	Sen 3 - BB-3. Swain Command Group and BB-E have returned from HARVEST MOON. Swain command group closed 181700H and assumed OPCON of Swain unit in relief of BB at that time. Swain resumed responsibility for assigned area at 181700H. BB-E and Golf closed	S/F

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Organization171800 - 181800 H Dec 1965
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TIME IN	CUT	Ser NO.	ITG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
			(cont'd)	at 181730 H. BB-H remained under OPCON for task force Delta.	
1750	44	181750		Sen 3 - BB-3. From 19 Dec to 25 Dec, all units will maintain 75% alert, with emphasis on ambushes.	S/F
1800	45	181800		Shove 2 - BB-3. Shove 2 (BT 002618) reports village used as rest area for VC. Villagers not allowed in Hamlet. Hamlet guarded by one VC company and additional guerillas. 2000 kilos rice stored in hamlet in following houses: Tran To, Tran Tieu, and Phan Khan. Rated E-6 by Shove 2. Msg dtd 15 Dec.	S/F
1800	46	181800		Journal closed.	

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~~2d Battalion, 2d Marines~~
Organization~~1600 - 1700 Hrs, 20 Jun 1965~~
Time, Open - Closed

TIME IN	CUT	SER. NO.	ITG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
1600		1	181300	Journal opened	
2032		2	182032	12-P - 12-3. Ambush 6-1 is at checkpoint 1.	S/P
2050		3	182050	12-34 - 12-3. Received 2 mds SA incoming, illuminated and returned fire.	S/P Son 3
2132		4	182132	12-P - 12-3. Ambush 6-1 is at checkpoint 2.	S/P
2205		5	182205	12-34 - 12-3. W headed toward AF 932424. B.P. shore requested AF but were denied.	S/P Son 3
2231		6	182231	12-34 - 12-3. Yankee 1 has departed.	S/P
2237		7	182237	Ambush C - 12-3. 5 rounds SA fired into our area.	S/P
2240		8	182240	12-34 - 12-3. Received 2 mds incoming. Illuminated and returned fire.	S/P
2252		9	182252	12-P - 12-3. Ambush 6-1 is at checkpoint 3.	S/P
2305		10	182305	12-34 - 12-3. Received 4 incoming rounds. Bunker 23 and 24. Illuminated and returned fire.	S/P Son 3
2328		11	182328	12-P - 12-3. Received 7 WMA's, 2 MM's and 1 low MA.	S/P
2335		12	182335	12-P - 12-3. Ambush 6-1 has returned to CP.	S/P
2350		13	182350	12-34 - 12-3. Ambush 6-2 has departed.	S/P
0025		14	190025	12-34 - 12-3. Yankee 1 has returned.	S/P
0035		15	190035	12-34 - 12-3. AF 996377, Yankee made contact. Observed one W crouched down. Patrol threw grenade Son 3 and fired 4 - 5 SA rounds. Checked area with 60mm illum with neg results.	S/P
0100		16	190030	12-34 - 12-3. Bunker 11 observed man in rice paddies and fired hand illum, 12 mds SA, 1 grenade, 2 mds Son 3 60mm illum. Neg results.	S/P
0245		17	190245	12-34 - 12-3. Yankee 2 has returned.	S/P
0300		18	190300	12-P - 12-3. Ambush 6-2 is at checkpoint 3.	S/P
0330		19	190330	12-P - 12-3. Ambush 6-2 has returned.	S/P
0345		20	190345	12-P - 12-3. Ambush 6-3 has departed.	S/P
0435		21	190435	12-P - 12-3. Ambush 6-3 is at checkpoint 12.	S/P
0505		22	190505	12-15 - 12-3. Ambush 6-3 is at checkpoint 2.	S/P
0545		23	190545	12-34 - 12-3. Bunkers 25 - 26 report hearing 7 shots fired in the village to their front. Rounds not incoming.	S/P

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Staff Section3d Battalion, 9th Marines
Organization121300D - 121900H Dec 1965

Time, Open - Closed

TIME IN	OUT	Ser NO.	ITG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
0600		24	190300	06-16 - 06-2. Ambush 6-3 is at checkpoint 3.	3/P
0625		25	190625	06-16 - 06-2. Ambush 6-3 has returned.	3/P
0740		26	190740	Ambush 6-3 is at 06-2. Road clear from 116 bridge to 06-2.	3/P
0850		27	190850	Ambush 6-3. Road is cleared from 116 bridge to 06-2 and lateral road.	3/P
0940		28	190940	06-16 - 06-3. Patrol 1 now departing.	3/P
0955		29	190955	06-16 - 06-2. Patrol 1 arrived checkpoint 1.	3/P
1025		30	191025	06-16 - 06-2. Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 2.	3/P
1050		31	191050	06-16 - 06-2. Recupply helicopters delayed at 06-2 due to inclement weather.	3/P
1125		32	191125	06-16 - 06-2. Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 3.	3/P
1225		33	191225	06-16 - 06-2. Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 4.	3/P
1320		34	191320	06-16 - 06-2. Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 5.	3/P
1340		35	191340	P6-6 has arrived destination.	3/P
1402		36	191402	06-16 - 06-2. Patrol 1 has returned.	3/P
1525		37	191525	06-16 - 06-3. Patrol 1 hits 2 gates and had 2 secondary explosions.	3/P
1530		38	191531	06-16 - 06-3. Scout/sniper team at coord 145305 reports seeing 4 VC approx 750 yds away on 121300H. SM 3 3 Final one wounded with M-70 major rifle, and 1 VC was killed.	3/P
1600		39	191600	Journal closed.	

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Organization

191800-201800 H Dec 1965

Time, Open - Closed

TIME IN CUT	Ser NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
1800	1	191800	Journal opened	
1905	2	191905	San 3 - BB-3. On 16 Dec, ARVN began daily 24 hr patrolling of river from BT 0470 to BT 0479, using 3 motorboats with 3 PF and 1 national police. Comm is Box Mike with Da Nang garrison.	S/F
1905	3	191905	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 1 has departed.	S/F
2245	4	192245	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 1 has returned.	S/F
2300	5	192300	San 2 - BB-3. Mieu Bong reports that the VC have told the villagers of Hoi Lei and Hoi Thai to make claims for damaged property caused by US units.	S/F
0015	6	200015	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 3 has departed.	S/F
0030	7	200030	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 3 is at checkpoint 1.	S/F
0535	8	200535	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 3 has returned. Arrived checkpoint 2 0100.	S/F
0730	9	200730	Axhandle C - BB-3. Road has been cleared from M-6 bridge to Roxtrot CP.	S/F
0805	10	200805	San 3 - BB-3. 2 UH-1Es hit by SA fire from BT 037643. Aircraft had to return.	N/S/F
0840	11	200840	Hotol Company has returned to CP.	S/F
0855	12	200855	Mieu Bong Ln0 reports ARVN will sweep Phong Le today. S/F	
1013	13	201013	BB-F - BB-3. Ha Long Bridge has VC banner (AT 995695). One round M-79 was fired at it but no secondary explosions were observed.	
1043	14	201043	Peepsight 1/4 - BB-3. 6 UH-34, 2 UH-1E available on 30 min standby MM airfield for emergency use only.	S/F
1315	15	201315	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 now departing.	S/F
1325	16	201325	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 1.	S/F
1440	17	201440	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 3.	S/F
1535	18	201535	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 checkpoint 1 - 1520. Arrived checkpoint 5 at 1535.	S/F
1545	19	201545	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 6.	S/F
1555	20	201555	BB-34 - BB-3. 106's attached Golf at BT 031649.	S/F/M
1620	21	201620	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 7.	S/F
1630	22	201630	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 has returned.	S/F
1700	23	201700	Mieu Bong Ln0 - BB-3. ARVN units will move into Phong Le (1) tonight. Notified bridges Journal Opened.	S/F
1800	24	201800		

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Staff Section2d Bn, 9th Marines

Organization

201800 - 211800H Dec 1965

Time, Open - Closed

TIME IN	SER NO.	ITG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
1800	1	201800	Journal opened.	
1827	2	201827	BB-34 - BB-3. Messman found unexploded mine at AT 991677. Engineer team sent to dispose of it.	S/F
1837	3	201837	BB-34 - BB-3. Ref msg 2. Engineers blew case. Was not mine but booby-trap.	S/F
1840	4	201840	BB-34 - BB-3. 10 - 15 rounds small arms fire incoming near Post 40. From 993674.	S/F
1848	5	201848	Sen 3 - BB-3. Use of claymore mines is encouraged. However attention is invited to Division Confidential message 150223Z Dec for compliance.	S/F
1945	6	201945	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 1 has departed.	S/F
1950	7	201950	MDMH - BB-3. Marine convoy coming north on Hwy 1 from province headquarters. Advise all units.	S/F/T
1953	8	201953	BB-3 - Radiance. Execute "HAYDAY" night of 21 Dec. Submit locations by 1400 21 Dec.	S/F/T
1955	9	201955	BB-34 - BB-3. SIBs picked up movement via AT 987677. S/E/M small arms incoming from Can Ne (1). Called Ln0 @ Mieu Bong and he stated BPs at Yen Ne were receiving fire from Can Ne (1).	S/E/M
2023	10	202023	BB-34 - BB-3. 4 - 5 rounds incoming at bunkers 12 and 13 from via AT 981681.	S/F
2045	11	202045	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 1 is at checkpoint 1.	S/F
2100	12	202100	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 1 is at checkpoint 2.	S/F
2110	13	202110	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 2 has departed.	S/F
2250	14	202250	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 1 is at checkpoint 3.	S/F
2328	15	202328	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 1 has returned.	S/F
0200	16	210200	BB-F - BB-3. BB-F ambush 2 has returned.	S/F
0235	17	210235	Mieu Bong - BB-3. Request 16 HQ Med 81mm mortar support at HF 014663. Suspected VC position.	S/F
03103	18	210310	Mieu Bong - BB-3. Firefight at HF 018663.	S/F
0357	19	210357	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 3 has returned.	S/F
0407	20	210407	Mieu Bong - BB-3. Received 12 incoming mortars at Qua Giang (1) from approx HF 014663. Marines at Bo Bong (1) req 10 rds illum. Unknown results. Estimate 30 W KIA after platoon was hit from south. Registration coming up in Duong Son (3).	S/F
0740	21	210740	Road has been cleared from the bridge to Box CP.	S/F
0810	22	210810	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 has departed.	S/F

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Organization201800 - 211800 Dec 1965
Time, Open - Closed

TIME IN	OUT	Ser NO.	ITG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
0845		23	210845	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 1.	S/F
0904		24	210904	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 2.	S/F
0910		25	210910	Received daylight weather report.	S/F
0940		26	210940	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 3.	S/F
1040		27	211040	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 4.	S/F
1300		28	211300	Sen 3 - BB-3. Hoa Cam trainees will conduct exercise S/F 0730 - 1730, 22 Dec via bridge BT 017713.	S/F
1315		29	211315	Sen 3 - BB-3. Nightly from 2000 to dawn, two vedettes S/P (inboard 40 footers with bow mounted 20mm) of VN navy will patrol between BT 040761 and BT 016717 and between BT 040733 and BT 097720. A com in team which nets on 1/9 tac net rides the command vedette. The craft do not fire unless fired upon. Daily 24 hours a day, pool of 3 motor boats, each manned by 3 PF and 1 Rnd policeman patrol between BT 040740 and BT 040700. These not with Da Nang garrison. They stop river craft, search look and apprehend river crossing VC.	S/P
1350		30	211350	Sen 3 - BB-3. Be prepared for W VIP visit to Ph CP and Co F CP at approx 211500-211515.	S/F
1440		31	211440	Peep sight liaison reports sweep now at obj 1 and on way to obj 2.	S/F
1445		32	211445	BB-14 - BB-3. BB-E helo lift complete.	S/P
1505		33	211505	Peep sight liaison reports sweep through objective 2 and on the way to 3.	S/P
1530		34	211530	Ratio Company has arrived positions.	S/F
1710		35	211710	Sen 4th - BB-3. Ranger sweep is completed. 4 VCS captured at Qua Giang (2).	S/F
1800		36	211800	Journal closed.	

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Organization

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Time, Open - Closed

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO.	PTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
1800		1	211800	Journal opened	
1835		2	211745	PG-21 - 12-3, Heavy SA fire heard from vic of 71193. 24 P.M. Co H has been alerted.	W/S/P/T
1845		3	211830	PG-21 - 12-3, VC attacked at 081607. Estimated 3 KIA PFC. Report AD at 081940 on estimated 2 VC prisoners.	S/P
1850		4	211850	PG-11 - 12-3, 24 P.M. Co H departed.	S/P
1851		5	211851	PG-P - 12-3, Advisor 1 has departed.	S/P
1856		6	211856	Co 2 - 12-3, Sec 6 directs PG to occupy following S/P areas tonight. Gleason tomorrow and take charge of PG, Long Son (1), Ben Ha (2), Can Ha (2) and if possible Long Son (3). Gleam these areas.	
1900		7	211900	PG-H - 12-3, 1 VC Co located in Can Ha (4).	S/P
1907		8	211907	PG-13 - 12-3, Have completed sweep. No contact, have 3 suspects. An now observing school house and awaiting further instructions.	S/P
1909		9	211909	PG-3 - PG-13, If you have contact the PG, turn PG over to same for interrogation. Hold present position.	S/P
1910		10	211910	PG-P - 12-3, Advisor 1 is at ambush site. Ambush 2 has departed.	S/P
1917		11	211917	1 Co 6 evacuated to this CP by Co P due to broken radio.	S/P
1925		12	211925	PG World Charlie is in position. Can't observe target.	S/P
1930		13	211930	PG liaison - 12-3, Advisor near our CP received info S/P board that seemed to be a fire fight near La 1004 (1) area.	S/P
2000		14	212000	PG-H - PG-3, Guard of forward CP at 030725.	W/S/P
2008		15	212008	PG-P - 12-3, Ambush 3 has departed. Ambush 2 is at ambush site.	S/P
2049		16	212049	PG-P - 12-3, Ambush 4 has departed.	S/P
2107		17	212107	PG-13 - 12-3, Contact has been made with ARVN forces.	S/P
2115		18	212115	Bridge 1 reported pretending 2 bamboo poles tied together and having VC propaganda. Will send it in in the morning.	S/P
2225		19	2225	PG-P - 12-3 Ambush 1 is at checkpoint 2.	S/P
2340		20	2240	Bridge 1 reported ARVN Lt. told them he received word that we will try to blow up bridge 1 within 5 days.	

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Organization21000 - 22000 H Dec 1965
Time, Open - Closed

TIME IN CUT	Ser NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
2235	21	222235	110-F - 12-2. Patrols 7 and 6 have departed. Patrol 5 departed 2235, Patrol 6 - 2240. Ambush 2 returned 2245.	S/P
2322	22	223322	110-F - 12-2. Ambush 7 is at checkpoint 1.	S/P
0005	23	220005	110-F - 12-2. Ambush 3 is at checkpoint 2. Ambush 7 is in position.	S/P
0010	24	220010	110-F - 12-2. Ambush 3 has returned.	S/P
0030	25	220030	110-F - 12-2. At 2212 firing commenced and assault S/P commenced at 2215. Elements have secured objective. Report 1 H/4/11A AAV that had been hit by initial US attack. Casualties have evacuated. 3 plt deployed assault signal house. At 2230 one platoon returned to CP to act as R/H/Reserve.	S/P
0035	26	220035	110-F - 12-2. H/4's in objective area report US withdrawal toward Van Be (4) and be done.	S/P
0045	27	220045	110-F - 12-2. S/P disposition for remainder of night: One plt located abandoned house in Van Be (2) via 110-F 004500. The plt located in Van Be (2) via 110-F 004500. One platoon as R/H/Reserve in Bunker C. Intentions for morning of 22 Dec are to search and clear Van Be (2) at 0100 with platoon located there. Reserve platoon is prepared to assist if needed. 22000 search and clear of Van Be (2) from W to E with 2 plts. Platoon that spent night in Van Be (2) reverts to reserve plt and blockade on R/H entrance. At 221300 search and clear Dong Son (1) with 1 company after coordination with pacification forces and Muong Long. At 221300 clear Dong Son (1) if possible with 1 C.	S/P
0105	28	220105	110-F - 12-2. Ambush 10 has departed.	S/P
0131	29	220131	110-F departed toward 24. Return ambush 4 has returned.	S/P
0131	30	220131	Guides in position in C.	S/P
0130	31	220130	110-F - 12-2. Ambush 6 has returned.	S/P
0140	32	220140	110-F - 12-2. Ambush 5 is at checkpoint 2.	S/P
0210	33	220210	110-F - 12-2. Ambush 11 now departing.	S
0225	34	220225	110-F has returned.	S/P
0225	35	220225	110-F - 12-2. Ambush 11 is at ambush site.	S/P
0330	36	220330	110-F - 12-2. Ambush 7 has returned.	S/P

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TIME IN CUT	Ser NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
0647	37	220657	PG-H - PG-3. Commanded sweep and clear of Van No (3).	S/P
0735	38	220755	PG-H - PG-3. A number of the youth force were reported last night by 2 to be on from the east. Return was from village of Van No (at 220732).	S/P
1000	39	221000	PG-H commanding sweep and clear of Van No (2) 0000. Went to work.	S/P
2105	40	221055	PG-P commanded sweep leaving Van No 1000.	S/P
2107	41	221057	PG-P platform at natural bridge leaving on sweep. Went back to 221054 from last night.	S/P 2203
2110	42	221100	PG-H - PG-3. The sweep village, western part, will continue for approx 60 minutes.	
2135	43	221155	PG-P - PG-3. PG-100 has departed on sweep of Dong Van (3).	S/P
2155	44	221215	PG-1 has completed sweep Dong Van (3) and is returning to C. PG-100 completed sweep of Van No (3) and is proceeding to sweep along Van (1).	S/P 2203
2205	45	221235	PG-P - PG-3. PG-1 has returned to C.	S/P
2205	46	221235	PG-H - PG-3 (11 021235) reported that 3 men with 3A 5000 M1919 equal of Hanoi and these are under a leader (002710). To C. Hanoi equal 12 companies.	S/P
2200	47	221340	Initial Company beginning to sweep Dong Van 1 from east to west. Upon completion, will return to C.	S/P 2203
2220	48	221520	Initial Company returned to C.	S/P
2225	49	221525	Van 3 - PG-3. Friendly troops will be operating in PG-3 equal of 970 and 47 972 which from 2200 to 2205.	S/P
2230	50	221710	PG-H - PG-3. Received word that 34th VC is planning to move into Van No (at 05271) tonight.	S/P
2300	51	221800	Journal closed.	

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220000 - 230000 8 Dec 1965

Time, Open - Closed

TIME IN	TIME OUT	Ser NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
1800		1	221800	Journal opened.	
1845		2	221845	Sec 3 - Bn-3. Police operation from 220600 - 220900 S/P 1 Kit P. R. from Hst Rdq and 1 P. R. sqd from Hst Tho village. Area of operation at 999725, 1F 997708, 1F 993707, 1F 994717. Purpose is to gain more information and find out VC in area.	
1946		3	221846	HR-P - Bn-3. Ambush 1 has departed.	S/P
1951		4	221951	BL-3 - Bn-3. Suspected underwater bridge at 1F 997697. Will investigate tomorrow.	S/P
2000		5	222000	Sec 3 - Bn-3. 1 Ranger Co 1 Kilometer north of Thanh Quyt Bridge.	S/P/T
2010		6	222010	1200 Bn reports Ranger Battalion was hit by estimated 2 VC companies. Ranger Bn took 4 KIA. The VC were reported heading N. W.	S/P
2135		7	222135	Sec 2 - Bn-3. At 221700 H at 1F 025657, one 3/4 ton S/P truck and one jeep were ambushed. Estimated 1 VC equal. Reported vehicles contained 25 ANV, 3 ARW KIA, 4 WIA.	
2145		8	222145	Sec 3 - Bn-3. Ref Regt 310, 1R. If prepared to do S/P so, request you begin to submit daily S/P Reg tomorrow 23 Dec. Otherwise plan implement. Req you notify me.	
2200		9	222200	BL-3 - Bn-3. Yankee 1 has departed.	S/P
2301		10	222301	BL-P - Bn-3. Ambush 1 is at checkpoint 2.	S/P
2335		11	222335	BL-3 - Bn-3. At 1F 044724 1 round B-70 was fired into several piles of rubbish drifting down stream and, Sec 3 secondary explosion was observed. Estimated greater than hand grenade. Resulted in 1 Marine WIA who was help evacuated.	S/P
2355		12	222355	BL-P - Bn-3. Ambush 1 has returned to C.	S/P
0015		12	230015	Yukoo patrol 1 has returned.	S/P
0045		13	230045	BL-P - Bn-3. Ambush 3 has departed.	S/P
0105		14	230105	Yukoo 2 has departed.	S/P
0120		15	230120	BL-P - Bn-3. Ambush 2 has returned.	S/P
0145		16	230145	BL-P - Bn-3. Listening post 2 has returned.	S/P
0330		17	230330	Tarkee 2 has returned.	S/P
0815		18	230815	Ambulance C reports roads clear from Hs bridge to Hsrot C.	

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~~02 Batt-1000 04h Standard~~
Organization~~22000 - 221800 Dec 1965~~
Time, Open - Closed

TIME IN	CUT	SER NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
0820		19	230820	Received daily weather report.	S/T
1025		20	231025	Sen 2 - H-3. When Long Loi reports that the 305th S/T VC is moving into Muoi Son in order to attack and mortar (AT 965645) Marine positions. Batt command by Lt Pham. They have mortars and 120's, and uniforms are black and grey. (D-1). On night of 21st Dec VC burned down An Phach market (AT 965646). VC forcing people to enter area, and promise people that they will attack and occupy USMC positions at 16 Son and 16 Cau (AT 974566 and AT 985667).	S/T
1030		21	231030	Sen 2 - H-3. 21st AM at 161 An told that (S-1) villages say 50-75 VC positions occupied at AT 918567, AT 986565, AT 990563, AT 991563, 994564. VC determined to be the 10th Engineers.	S/T Sen 3
1122		22	231122	Echo 1 across river now.	S/T
1400		23	231400	Re-P - H-3. VC now occupies Dung Son (3).	S/T
1520		24	231520	Parasite 11 - PG-14. Recupply belief have been requested on emergency basis. Will advise on RIA at your L-23.	S/T
1600		25	231600	Abandon - H-3. Two team blew 1 Chinese grenade and 1 1179 CM round at AT 910686.	S/T
1727		26	231727	When Long Loi C. Due to recent happenings with pacification teams, there is a general shake-up in Sen 3 implementation of program. There now will be 1 PG to at H-3154 and 1 company at Ph C at Qua Gia C (3).	S/T Sen 3
2000		27	231900	Journal closed.	

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231800 - 241800H Dec 1965

Time, Open - Closed

TIME IN OUT	Ser NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
1800	1	231800	Journal Opened.	
1940	2	231940	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 1 will be run at 2100H, not at 1900H. Ambush 2 at 2400 - 0500H as scheduled. Patrol 1 at 2200 - 0300H.	S/F Sen-3
1958	3	231958	Peepsight - Liaison - Peepsight-3. RF made contact ✓IC at PT 015661. Two (2) VC KIA. One (1) carbine captured. PG illum.	S/F
1959	4	231959	All five (5) contacts returned to this unit.	S/F
2055	5	232055	BB-34 - BB-3. Patrol 1 has departed.	S/F
2105	6	232105	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 1 has departed.	S/F
2110	7	232110	BB-E - BB-3. Patrol 1 has departed.	S/F
2200	8	232200	BB-34 - BB-3. Patrol 1 has returned.	S/F
2250	9	232250	BB-34 - BB-3. Patrol 1 has departed to check out explosion 75 meters in front of wire.	S/F BB-6
2253	10	232253	BB-34 - BB-3. Reported movement in front of Post 1 & 2. Two (2) mds of 82mm illum fired.	S/F
2310	11	232310	BB-34 - BB-3. Patrol 1 returning from checking area (of entry #9 above). Patrol 1 while in ambush site heard movement, threw a grenade, heard more movement, fired five (5) mds. Neg results. Will check area at first light.	S/F BB-6
2355	12	232355	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 has returned.	S/F
0035	13	240035	BB-34 - BB-3. Patrol 2 has departed.	S/F
0140	14	240140	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 has returned.	S/F
0433	15	240433	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 2 has returned.	S/F
0913	16	240913	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 2 has departed.	S/F
0955	17	240955	BB-H - BB-3. At 0830H, two (2) VCS were apprehended by PF's at 0630H in Yen Ne (AT 980685) and were turned over for further disposition. PF's stated that two (2) VCS were VCG (Unconfirmed). VCS was turned over to ITT.	S/F Sen-2
1055	18	241055	BB-F - BB-3. A Co "F" Patrol, while searching in Bich Bac (AT 986632) received 10 - 15 mds SA fire from their rear (AT 989635). Returned fire w/ SA and five (5) 60mm mortars. Patrol is now searching this area.	S/F
1210	19	241210	BB-F - BB-3. Ref entry # 18, Patrol has returned.	S/F

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1215	20	241245	BB-F - BB-3. A Co "F" Patrol reports destroying five (5) boats (AT 987637), three (3) dirt and bamboo bunkers, one (1) cave and one (1) tunnel (AT 986635). Received SA fire from (AT 989635) and returned fire w/60mm and SA, enemy SA fire ceased. The original mission of this patrol was to find a suspected underwater bridge at (AT 987637). Neg results.	S/F
1315	21	241315	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 2 has departed.	S/F
1330	22	241330	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 2 at checkpoint 2.	S/F
1410	23	241410	SBn-2 - BB-3. 1. General cease fire by U. S. Forces between 241800 - 252400H. 2. Do not engage in offensive actions and do not conduct ambushes during this period. 3. Fire only when fired upon. 4. Report immediately to this Hqgrs (SBn-2) any incident or any enemy movement by FLASH procedure. 5. Limit activities to OP's, recons, and LP's. Continue 75% alert during hours of darkness. 6. Notify all hands prior to 241800H.	BB-34, E, F, G, H
1420	24	241420	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 2 at checkpoint 2.	S/F
1421	25	241421	BB-H - BB-3. Swain I elements presently arriving at BB-H's position and commencing relief within Cam Ns.	S/F SBn-3
1455	26	241455	BB-H - BB-3. Hotel 3 has been relieved by Swain I and is enroute to Hq GP.	S/F SBn-3,
1530	27	241530	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 2 has returned.	S/F
1545	28	241545	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 2 at vic BT 004655, blew up five (5) gates, three (3) fences, three (3) tunnels with one (1) fence having a secondary explosion estimated to be abt five (5) lbs. TNT w/black smoke and gasses.	S/F
1555	29	241555	Patrol leader to brief general on 26Dec65 will be Sgt. HOU.	S/F SBn-3
1600	30	241500	Gen. JOHNSON to visit Co G instead of Co F on 26Dec at 1050H - 1115H to listen to patrol ldr's debrief.	Co F Co G
1610	31	241510	PG-3 - Peepalight-3. All hands notified of General Cease fire by U. S. Forces.	S/F
1530	32	241530	BB-3 - Ban-3. All 2/9 ambushes for tonight will be changed to LP's, all security patrols changed to recon patrols.	S/F BB-34, E, F, G, H
1730	33	241730	BB-F - BB-3. Destroyed one (1) tunnel w/trap door & 20 ft. long. Used 14 lbs. C-4 at AT 989660.	S/F SBn-3
1800	34	241800	Journal Closed.	CONFIDENTIAL

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1800	1	241800	Journal opened.	
1803	2	241803	2D-F received 1 S/A rd from AT 92965S. Do fire returned.	S/F
1900	3	241900	Sen 3 - BL-3. Plan to send heavy sections tanks and mortars in support Seain elements our area. Will advise 1D to expect arrival of same.	S/F Sen 3
2100	4	242100	Received Gen JOHNSON's itinerary for 25 Dec.	S/F
2120	5	242130	Sen 3 - BL-3. Refer my 241355H. Additional guidance from higher headquarters as follows. Do not respond to minor provocations or harassment so as they do not pose a threat to security. This qualifies paragraph 3 of my 241355H.	S/F
2210	6	242210	BL-3 - BL-3. On G report of vehicle running road block reported.	S/F
2340	7	242340	BL-3 - BL-3. Request one med evac for W woman	S/F
0730	8	250730	Road is clear from 2/9 CP to H-6 bridge.	S/F
0745	9	250745	Minh Long - BL-3. Will be 1 plt ARW at AT 033640 until dark today as road block.	S/F
1015	10	251015	BL-3 o BL-E. At 260900H Dec 1965 with one plt, be prepared to assume responsibility of bridge & water point (AT 929705) and bridges south along RSE.	S/F Sen 3
1040	11	251040	PS - Sen 2 - BL-3. Air Officer reports a trench line S/F being dug (AT 925626) near railroad. Trench near Hill 55 (AT 929604); one man is working and the trench seems to be fairly new.	S/F
1055	12	251055	Sen 2 - BL-3. 20 people with boat digging a trench S/F near river at AT 918709.	S/F Sen 2
1115	13	251115	BL-P - BL-3. Received (1) round S/A fire from AT 921663.	N/S/F Sen 3
1150	14	251150	Sen 2 - BL-2. Air Officer reports complete road cut S/F and 3 partial cuts at AT C27575 on Highway 14. Road cut cited at AT 961584 consists of brush and lumber.	S/F
1210	15	251230	Sen 2 - BL-2. Air Officer reports bridge washed out N/S/F (AT 030465). Bridge built by USMC.	N/S/F
1455	16	251455	Admiral KELLY departed 2/9 CP.	S/F
1530	17	251530	BL-6 - BL-3. Heard firing some where East of the S. Ban Men over in Irontree TDOR.	S/F
1530	18	251530	Admiral KELLY departed 2/9 CP.	S/F

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1630	19	251630		BB-14 reports Co 2 half-resupply completed.	S/P
1710	20	251710		Bridge 3 - BB-3. 14-36 and located at bridge 3.	S/P
1730	21	251730		BB-3 - BB-3. Cease fire has been extended until further notice. 75% security, conduct security type S/P activities.	S/P
1745	22	251745		Armable C - BB-3. Grenade at bridge 3 has been exploded.	S/P
1800	23	251800		Journal closed.	

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1800		1	251500	Journal opened.	
1853		2	251853	BB-16 - BB-3. Received eight (8) mds H-1 fire fr AT 992657. Did not return fire.	S/F Sea-3
1920		3	251920	250950Z, CG 3dMarDiv 1. Suspend offensive action until hostilities clearly initiated by VC/PAVN. 2. Remain ineffect until further notice.	S/F BB-6
1940		4	251940	Mieu Bong - BB-3. One (1) ARVN unit will move from vic (BT 015665) to vic (EDQXW) to check Hwy and area off to the side of the road for mines at 260630H.	S/F BB-6
2035		5	252035	Bridge #1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/F
2110		6	252035	Bridge #1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/F
2111		7	252111	INFO CALL from Sea-3. Road condition "A" - all roads. Notified Bridge #1, BB-4, BB-6, HT, 9th Motors.	S/F
2150		8	252150	BB-34 - BB-3. At (AT 990677) received three (3) mds carbine fire from approx vic (AT 986690).	S/F Sea-3
2151		9	252151	Bridge #1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/F
2155		10	252155	Sea-3 - BB-3. Attention is invited to par 4 of Div msg 240330Z Dec65.	S/F
2156		11	252156	Received daily weather forecast.	S/F
2200		12	252200	BB-3 - Sea-3. 1. This unit acknowledges your last msg in regards to par 4 of Div msg 240330Z Dec65. 2. We are presently, however, operating according to your tele/msg of 242130H Dec65, par 1.	S/F
2220		13	252220	Bridge #1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/F
2330		14	252330	Bridge #1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/F
0030		15	260030	Sea-3 - BB-3. 1. Situation, instruction to date from this Hqtrs or from Higher Hqtrs are meant to restrict application of force against hostile fire. Continue to fire when fired upon. 2. In connection concerning minor provocations, see Div msg 251335Z Dec65, page 5.	S/F
0130		16	260130	Bridge #1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/F
0150		17	260150	Bridge #1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/F
0300		18	260300	Bridge #1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/F
0340		19	260340	Bridge #1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/F

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0435	20	260435	Bridge #1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/F
0530	21	260530	Bridge #1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/F
0600	22	260600	Bridge #1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/F
0630	23	260630	Bridge #1, 2, 3 - all secure. Road secured from Hwy #1 to 2/9 MT.	S/F
0747	24	260747	BB-F - BB-3. Road clear from M-6 Bridge to Co E.	S/F
0803	25	260803	Received daily weather forecast.	BB-34, 4 S/F
0830	26	260830	San-3 - BB-3. Resume offensive actions. Notified BB-E, F, G, H, 34, 3, 6, Bridge #1.	S/F
0915	27	260915	BB-14 - BB-3. Commenced Co E heli-lift.	S/F
0923	28	260923	San-3 - BB-3. Gen. JOHNSON is 15 min. ahead of schedule. Notify Co "G".	S/F BB-G
1820	29	261820	All roads back to normal status.	S/F
1630	30	261630	Mieu Daug Ln0 - BB-3. 593d Co located at (AT 985684). S/F IPH PAT located at (AT 981682). IPH 703d Co located at (AT 980686) until 271800 H.	S/F
1715	31	261715	BB-G - BB-3. Received five (5) rnds of SA fire at (AT 031660) from (AT 036649). Neg fire returned. No casualties.	S/F
1800	32	261800	Journal Closed.	

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1800		1	261800	Journal opened.	
1820		2	261820	BB-F - BB-3. Two (2) LVTE charges fired at 1700H vic AT 990643, two (2) secondary explosions, one (1) established as 10 lbs. TNT, one (1) established as 50 lbs. TNT. Two (2) flame tanks at (AT 990642) will fire on bridge at 262000H.	S/F
1932		3	261932	BB-F - BB-3. Reported the Ha Dong Bridge is burning.	S/F
20000		4	262000	BB-34 - BB-3. Yankee-1 has departed CP.	S/F
2040		5	262040	BB-F - BB-3. At (AT 990643 & AT 986664) received 6-7 mds SA fire from (AT 992639) and 10-15 mds SA fire from (AT 990657). Tanks returned fire w/one (1) 90mm and ten (10) 50 cal. mds. No fire returned by infantry. No Marine casualties. VC cas unk.	S/F BB-2,3,6 Sen-2,3
2215		6	262215	Swain-3 - BB-3. For "Golden Spike" area vicinity (AT 974615) must also be occupied, particularly attention to possible crossing sight vic (AT 974612) BB-3 during operation. Your eastern return appears a likely possibility.	S/F Swain-K
2225		7	262225	Sen-3 - BB-3. 39th ARVN Rangers N. limit is (AT 040631). Shove-3 representative (MAJOR ELOSE) will observe from Sen-3 CA tomorrow.	S/F
2245		8	262245	BB-34 - BB-3. Yankee-2 has returned.	S/F
2355		9	262355	Sen-3 - BB-3. 39th Rangers located (AT 039627) and south to bridge.	S/F
01000		10	270100	Sen-3 - BB-3. Time of departure for PG-Liaison is 0400H. Will occupy AT 998607 w/one (1) company & AT 992604 w/one (1) company. Also one (1) will be helo lifted to AT 989607 at 270700H. Will notify BB-3 when in position or make contact. Note: Prepare fires west of left flank unit.	S/F
0135		11	270135	Sen-3 - BB-3. ARVN units will use yellow or green smoke to mark friendly positions. Swain will notify Co K.	S/F
0315		12	270315	BB-H - BB-3. Co H has departed.	S/F Sen-3
0415		13	270415	BB-F - BB-3. Co blocking force in position.	S/F Sen-3
0430		14	270430	BB-H - BB-3. Departed IP.	S/F Sen-3
0450		15	270450	BB-E - BB-3. Departed Bn CP.	S/F
0530		16	270530	BB-E - BB-3. At LOD.	S/F
0540		17	270540	BB-E & BB-G have crossed LOD	S/F Sen-3

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0600		18	270600	BB-E - BB-3. Approx 1000 meters from HQD ran into road block and have worked our way around it.	S/F
0625		19	270625	BB-E - BB-3. Approx 50 meters past 3d roadblock we found one (1) VC spying on Marines. He was KIA in route to obj. Whole area covered w/trenches.	S/F
0700		20	270700	PG-Ln0 - PG-3. LZ is not secure.	S/E, Sen-3
0705		21	270705	PG-14 - PG-3. AO is on station.	S/E, BB-10
0710		22	270710	BB-H - BB-3. Approaching bridge at (AT 995616)	S/F, BB-3
0720		23	270720	BB-E - BB-3. Received one (1) Marine WIA.	S/F, BB-1
0730		24	270730	BB-E - BB-3. Received SA fire from vic (AT 010633) returned w/SA fire. VC broke contact. Continued toward obj. w/one (1) Marine WIA.	S/F Sen-3
0750		25	270750	BB-G - BB-3. Present location(AT 003642) of Co G.	S/F, Sen-3
0755		26	270755	BB-E - BB-3. Present location of Co E (AT 010615).	S/F, Sen-3
0755		27	270755	PG-Ln0 - PG-3. Present location (AT 991600).	S/F, Sen-3
0810		28	270810	PG-Ln0 - PG-3. LZ at (AT 992603) secure. Hill back w/yellow smoke.	S/F, Sen-3
0815		29	270815	PG-E - PG-3. House at (AT 007618) w/ halo design & Anti-American writing.	S/F, Sen-3
0835		30	270835	PG-H - PG-3. Present position (AT 995612).	S/F, Sen-3
0835		31	270835	PG-Ln0 - PG-3. Present position (AT 992602).	S/F, Sen-3
0830		32	270830	PG-E - PG-3. One (1) fire team is pursuit of one (1) VC. VC dropped wpn. Have confiscated wpn. Also have one (1) VCS who turned himself in.	S/F
0915		33	270915	PG-Ln0 - PG-3. Relay to Co H & E. Time to withdraw from present position. Req two (2) gun ships. Want gun ships ready when word is given.	S/F
0920		34	270920	PG-Ln0 - PG-3. Two (2) gun ships on station to cover vic (AT 991601, (AT 984599), south to vic (AT 983590) then east to (AT 990590) to (AT 984585) until we reach destination.	S/F
0850		35	270850	PG-H - PG-3. At vic (AT 007618), civilians said 200 VC departed area four (4) days ago.	S/F
0926		36	270926	PG-H - PG-3. Receiving gas irritation to the eyes. 15 persons effected.	S/F Sen-2,3
0927		37	270927	PG-H - PG-3. Want to know what is holding up med-evac. It is holding up movement.	S/F

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0955		38	270955	PG-E - PG-3. Have found three (3) Anti-American signs written in English & Vietnamese on haystack.	S/F
1005		39	271005	PG-E - PG-3. Saw three (3) people at (AT 984617) w/one (1) rifle & one (1) man limping.	S/F
1010		40	271010	Mieu Dong 593d Co (AT 995684) received SA fire from (AT 981679).	S/F Swain-3
1020		41	271020	PG-H - PG-3. Four (4) - five (5) VC w/one (1) auto upon at (AT 982608) south of river.	S/F
1027		42	271027	PG-H - PG-3. Twenty (20) VC moving left from (AT 982608).	S/F
1050		43	271050	PG-E - PG-3. Sit Rep. Co E located (BT 002615), Co H located at (AT 977613) blowing many trenches, They have encountered. Co G is from (AT 996637 to BT 000636) continuing sweep.	S/F Sen-3
1130		44	271130	PG-In0 - PG-3. Req airstrikes w/three (3) definite targets - 1. AT 982608 approx 20 VC and one (1) MG. 2. AT 961601, 10 VC in open. 3. AT 977594, 10 VC in open.	S/F
1140		45	271140	PG-E - PG-3. Co E CP (BT 002615). Eight (8) VC at our CP. Req to know if they can be picked when gas masks arrive.	S/F
1141		46	271141	PG-G - PG-3. Co G CP location (AT 997635).	S/F
1145		47	271145	PG-3 - PG-G. Have your troops within 400 meters of Ha Long Bridge withdraw. Bridge will be blasted in approx 30 min.	S/F
1155		48	271155	PG-In0 - PG-3. Main blocking force - AT 994603 N to AT 992603. Have received no recent contact. WAG says VC blocking our withdrawal at La Huan (1) (AT 980597) also Thoy Bo (3) (AT 981592), also Tiny Bo (1) (AT 987539). He may req gun ships to cover our withdrawal.	S/F
1207		49	271207	PG-G - PG-3. Search & destroy mission of Bich Ngu (AT 996636), Bich Ngu (2) (BT 000636) complete. Biles contained two (2) old men, women & children. No caves, rice, or tunnels. One (1) short old tunnel & six (6) small fighting holes. Holes filled w/dirt. Front line (BT 000363). Proceeding south.	S/F
1211		50	271211	PG-In0 - PG-3. Req you notify Mor 119 or observer in this area (AT 965600) will be fired upon by WI artillery.	

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1220	51	271220	Sit Rep - Co B present location BT 007615, Co H present location AT 980615 - AT 990615, Co K - no contact. Co F - noncontact.	S/F San-3
1245	52	271245	PG-E - PG-3. Search & destroy continued in Lu Tho Pac (1). At 1245H, two (2) tunnels, small blown. No enemy contact. Two (2) carbines rads from BT 010648 at 1230 H.	S/F
1247	53	271247	PG-E - PG-3. At BT 007615 entire area is reamed w/tunnels. Will take two (2) or three (3) hours to blow.	S/F
1320	54	271320	PG-E - PG-3. Have seven (7) men, four (4) women, and three (3) children to be picked up.	S/F
1350	55	271350	PG-G - PG-3. Search & destroy operations continue in La Tho Bac (1) (BT 005635) no enemy contact. Nine (9) tunnels blown. Found and destroyed two (2) 155 rads.	S/F
1400	56	271400	PG-E - PG-3. Still blowing tunnels & caves at (BT 07615).	S/F
1401	57	271401	PG-H - PG-3. Moving E. approx 200 meters S. from grid line 62.	S/F
1430	58	271430	PG-In0 - PG-3. Inform this station when to commence withdrawal from this blocking position. We have checked w/AO who confirms VC at AT 965600, AT 978598, & BT 005593. Req two (2) gun ships to cover withdrawal.	S/F
1431	59	271431	PG-E - PG-3. An pursuing and clearing VC from area. Shot one (1) twice but he escaped into bushes after falling.	
1500	60	271500	PG-G - PG-3. Search & destroy operation continues in town La Tho Bac (1) (BT 009633) destroyed one(1) outdoor meeting place with blackboard which had Anti-American slogan. Blew 12 fighting holes. Destroyed two (2) Anti-hole obstacles which were constructed of barbed wire between two (2) poles. Found 100 meters of trenches five (5) feet deep. People are not friendly. No young men but young women w/children. No enemy contact.	S/F
1506	61	271505	PG-In0 - PG-3. An going to secure blocking force.	S/F
1530	62	271530	PG-H - PG-3. Leading elements at AT 994625.	S/F

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1510		63	271510	Warehouse-3 - BB-3. Co K to prepare to conduct & consolidate night defensive position at Bich Bac. Tomorrow search and destroy through Thai Cam (2), Thai Cam (1), Le Song (2), Le Song (1) and then return to Cam Le (2). Return one (1) apple from India. On order report to PG CP for transportation to ASF as report arrival and departure of above listed hamlets. Re-supply requests this station as determined. Advise this headquarters of tonight's location. Detach attachments when directed.	S/F
1555		64	271555	Warehouse-K - BB-3. Notify us when you are ready to move.	S/F
1555		65	271555	PG-G - PG-3. Search and destroy of La Tho Bac (1) (BT 005630 complete. 12 fighting holes filled. Four (4) more short tunnels destroyed. Two (2) auto upns positions destroyed. Advance units at Bich Nui (2) (BT 03638) secondary mission continues.	S/F Sen-3
1605		66	271605	PG-E - PG-3. Have one (1) KIA, KIA 0399 at (AT 996607). Heavy fire fight.	S/F
1608		67	271608	Warehouse-K - BB-3. Before PG-W departs req you detach Warehouse-W and send them via Slaveborn to vic of Sharpshooter. Req you send all RE and Illum you can spare.	S/F
1615		67	271615	PG-H - PG-3. Present location AT 991634.	S/F
1620		68	271610	PG-E - PG-3. Co vic AT 997614 received SA fire from auto upns from approx vic AT 996607. Returned fire warty. Five (5) for effects - result 2 VC KIA.	S/F
1650		69	271650	PG-H - PG-3. One (1) WCS that we will bring to CP.	S/F
1651		70	271651	PG-E - PG-3. Fire fight (ref entry # 66) resulting in USMC KIA came about as one (1) sqd was hit on the river bank from across the river.	S/F
1700		71	271700	Warehouse-K - BB-3. Are withdrawing southern most elements to consolidate in Bich Bac.	S/F
1720		72	271720	PG-E - PG-3. Have concluded operation.	S/F
1730		73	271730	PG-E - PG-3. BB-3 has taken two (2) VC under fire 300 meters on their R&B flank. Position of Co E AT 996617, three (3) rads sniper fire came from AT 993615. Co E will consolidate at (AT 995616) and come in.	S/F
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1800		1	271800	Journal opened.	
1820		2	271820	PC-G - BB-3. At 005630 Golf Co departed for CP.	S/P
1900		3	271900	PC-G returned to CP.	S/P
1945		4	271945	BB-E - BB-3. Co E returned to BB CP.	S/P
2025		5	272025	BB-34 - BB-3. Received 10 rounds incoming from an estimated 6 - 8 VC coards AF 997681.	S/P See 3
2100		6	272100	BB-P2 - BB-3. Squad at Bridge 3 received incoming auto 6/4 and grenades from AF 996687 - AF 997689. Returned fire and VC fire ceased. ARVN in Dong Son (1) were attacked at the same time. Marines fired GRS to show ARVN that they were firing at W, not ARVN. No USC casualties. Squad leader at Bridge 3 reports H-79 fire (tree bursts) appeared very successful.	S/P See 3
2107		7	272107	BB-F - BB-3. Reports LVTs stuck on North side of river (AF 990641). Team 3 will send retriever tomorrow morning. Security has been provided tonight.	S/P
2225		8	272225	BB-P2 - BB-3. Bridge 3 received 25 rounds incoming from AF 996687. Returned fire & illumin with 81's.	S/P See 3
0315		9	280315	BB-H - BB-3. Ambush 2 has returned.	S/P
0645		10	280645	BB-34 - BB-3. Yankee patrol 1 has departed.	S/P
0720		11	280720	AF's are moving out to recover onto's that were stuck last night.	S/P
0801		12	280801	Team 3 dispatched receiver and 1 cargo carrier.	S/P
0835		13	280835	Archdale G - BB-3. Lateral roads and road from Highway 1 to Foxtrot are clear.	S/P
0838		14	280838	Engineers sending men to Delta Bunker for digging.	S/P
0850	15		280850	BB-3 - Radiance. ARVN infantry company will conduct a recon south passing through our lines at vic (00 0066) late this morning or early this afternoon.	S/P
1000		16	281000	BB-3 - BB-E. BB-E be prepared to relieve Fox on bridges at 1300 on order.	S/P
1001		17	281001	BB-3 - BB-E. Send LVT-P5's to Kilo. LVT-H return to BB-E .	S/P
1015	18		281015	BB-3 - BB-E. Be prepared to relieve BB-P in Dong Son (3) at 0800 tomorrow with one platoon.	S/P

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Organization210000 - 211800 2 Dec 1965
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TIME IN	SER NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
0055	19	211015	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 has departed.	S/P
1030	20	211030	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 is in position at 4th Ring.	S/P
1430	21	211430	BB-E - BB-3. Patrol 2 has relieved BB 2 on Bridges 1, 2, and 3.	S/P
1700	22	211700	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 has returned.	S/P
1730	23	211730	Golf reports small firefight in 1/9 area (BR 031655). S/P	
1800	24	211800	Journal closed.	

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TIME IN	CUT	Ser NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
1800		1	231800	Journal Opened.	
1801		2	231801	BB-F - BB-3. Reports one (1) Vietnamese child w/schrapnel wounds at the Ha Dong Bridge. Req med-evac.	S/F
1910		3	231910	Marathon-K - BB-3. Co CP at (AT 991636).	S/F
2000		4	232000	BB-34 - BB-3. Bunkers 5 & 6 heard shots fired to their front.	S/F
2100		5	232100	Bridge # 1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/F
2130		6	232130	Bridge # 1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/F
2115		7	232115	Sen-3 - BB-3. Two (2) members of PAT were KIA & one (1) member WIA at Thon Thung Luong (BT 043723). Incident occurred at approx 1900H but PAT had no comm.	S/F BB-2, 6 BB-E
2215		8	232215	Bridge # 1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/F
2216		9	232216	BB-F - BB-3. Received 15 rnds SA fire from vic (AT 991637) at the Ha Dong Bridge (AT 990641). Returned fire w/five (5) rnds 60mm & SA. Enemy fire ceased.	S/F Sen-3
2307		10	232307	Bridge # 1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/F
2350		11	232350	BB-H - BB-3. Patrol 1 has returned.	S/F
0115		12	290115	Bridge # 1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/F
0135		13	290135	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1-2 has returned.	S/F
0155		14	290155	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 2-1 has departed.	S/F
0200		15	290200	Bridge # 1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/F
0300		16	290300	Bridge # 1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/F
0400		17	290400	Bridge # 1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/F
0605		18	290605	Bridge # 1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/F
0640		19	290640	Bridge # 1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/F
0740		20	290740	Axhandle-C - BB-3. Road is clear from 2/9 MT to Co F.	S/F BB-34, 4
0801		21	290801	BB-F - BB-3. Road is clear from Bridge #1 to Co F.	S/F, BB-34, 4
0920		22	290920	BB-F - BB-3. Lateral road is clear.	S/F
1040		23	291040	Peepsight - PG. Resupply canceled due to inclement weather (Helo-lift to Co E).	S/F

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	Ser NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
1100		24	291100	BB-F - BB-3. Marine filling trench (AT 990637) was wounded in mouth by flying shrapnel from exploding booby trap. Being transported to CP by vehicle.	S/F Sen-3
1245		25	291245	BB-G - BB-3. Reported fire fight heard (GS 0465).	S/F
1425		26	291425	PG-E - PG-3. LVT stuck in river at (BT 012718).	S/F
1440		27	291440	PG-E - PG-3. Delete entry # 26.	S/F
1540		28	291540	PG-E - PG-3. Co E units now in position.	S/F, Sen-3
1630		29	291630	Sen-3 - BB-3. Operation "Big Cheer" commences at 1700H.	S/F, BB-1 BB-34, H
1634		30	291634	PG-E - PG-3. Reached destination, fairly deserted. Friendly faces here before but are not here now.	Sen-3
1800		31	291800	BB-E2 - BB-3. Bridge # 1 reports a VN Major reported being fired at while crossing Thanh Quyt Bridge.	S/F BB-6
1800		32	291800	Journal Closed.	

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	Ser NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
1200		1	291800	Journal opened	
1900		2	291900	Mieu Bang - Report that the Bn CP of 3d Bn, 51st Regiment is at (BT 013666). The 2nd Company is at (BT 012671). The 3d Company is at (BT 017665). A P/M platoon is at (BT 017668). Units have ambushes at (BT 015662) and (BT 014666) and (BT 017664). From 292000 to 300100 they will be patrols of 5 to 6 men from (BT 018670) to (BT 023665).	S/P
2035		3	292035	BL-34 - BL-3. PT patrol departed to search area vic bunker 35 for 1 or 2 Marines who may be outside of tactical wire.	S/P
2100		4	292100	BL-34 - BL-3. PT patrol returned with missing Marine.	S/P
2130		5	292130	Detail of 15 men enroute to Btry to Co F CP.	S/P
2150		6	292150	BL-2 - BL-3. At 2110 a sqd patrol received approx 8 rds SA fire from BT 039724. Fired 1 green flare but could not observe W. No rds returned due to friendly WI in area.	S/P Son 3
2230		7	2230	The trucks from USO shop were stopped at bridge 1 and went back to Btry to spend night since they had no security.	S/P
2245		8	292245	BL-F detail from FSD arrived this CP.	S/P
2155		9	292155	BL-2 - received 2 1/4 rds from undetermined direction. Patrol investigated. Neg results.	S/P
2310		10	292310	BL-3 received 3/4 rds from vic BT 045718. Returned fire with artillery.	S/P
0030		11	300030	BL-F - BL-3. Patrol 1 has returned.	
0730		12	300730	Aximille C - BL-3. Road clear from 2/9 MF to Co F	S/P
0740		13	300740	Aximille C - BL-3. Road clear from B-6 to Box. 2 or 3 M-26 frag duds near #3 bridge. Grenades thrown during night. Have been instructed to destroy grenades.	N/P
0925		14	300925	BL-F - BL-3. Ambush 1 is at checkpoint 1.	S/P
1010		15	301010	BL-F - BL-3. Patrol 1 is at checkpoint 1.	S/P
1040		16	301040	Box 3 - BL-3. Frost Call. Road Condition - Draw.	S/P
1107		17	301107	Box 2 reported they are fixed across river and are starting sweep & clear with help of locals.	

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TIME IN	CUT	Ser NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M. S. T.
1110		18	301110	RD-F - DR-3. Squad patrol at (AF 996635) rec'd S/A fire from v/c (AF 001635). Arty being fired.	S/F
1115		19	301115	RD-F - DR-3. Patrol 1 received heavy S/A fire from AF 681635 - estimated 150 to 3 separate positions. Returned fire with LAW and S/A and arty (40 rds). Arty on target. Heavy fire ceased.	S/F S/P
1140		19	301140	RD-F fire returned.	S/P

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	Ser. NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M.S.T.F
1800		1	301800	Journal Opened.	
1900		2	301900	Mieu Dong via Sen-3 - BB-3. 3d Bn, 1st Regt ambush S/P/M at (BT 016663), oriented S.W., (BT 013665), (BT 014669). Patrol of 5-6 men will patrol all night from (BT 018672 - BT 022663).	S/P/M
1920		3	301920	Mieu Dong via Sen-3 - BB-3. One (1) ARVN Co moves to (BT 001669) tomorrow.	S/P/S
2005		4	302005	Bridge # 1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/P
2030		5	302030	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 1 now in position.	S/P
2040		6	302040	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 3 now in position.	S/P
2041		7	302041	Bridge # 1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/P
2150		8	302150	Bridge # 1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/P
2250		9	302250	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 2 has returned, ambush was compromised by water buffalo which charged a member of the patrol.	S/P
2255		10	302255	Bridge # 1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/P
2350		11	302350	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol 1 has departed.	S/P
2359		12	302359	BB-34 - BB-3. Listening Post has departed.	S/P
0100		13	310100	Bridges # 1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/P
0230		14	310230	Bridges # 1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/P
0350		15	310350	Bridges # 1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/P
0440		16	310440	Bridges # 1, 2, 3 - all secure.	S/P
0555		17	310555	Bridge # 1 - BB-3. A Vietnamese reports that the road between Bridge-1 and Bn CP is mined somewhere. He found this out through his ARVN intelligence.	S/P
0600		18	310600	Axhandle-C - BB-3. Road clear from 2/9 MT to Co P.	BB-2, 4 Pogr, B Btry
0801		19	310801	Mieu Dong Ln0 - BB-3. The 3d Co, 3d Bn, 1st Regt will move into Shon Tho (1) today. Army Advisor will coordinate w/Co P.	BB-1, 4 S/P
0805		20	310805	Col. LAP is out this morning. Ln0 will advise us of his return sometime this afternoon.	S/P

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301800 - 311800H Dec 1965

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	Ser. NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M.S.T.F
0840		21	310820	Shove via Sen-3 - BB-3. Thank Quit (ST 043621) was hit by nine (9) rnds 60mm mortar fire and SA fire. No friendly casualties. Quang Ham Special Sector req that no one use the road in that area until it is checked out for mines.	S/P BB-C
0930		22	310930	Arhandle-C - BB-3. Road all clear.	S/P
1305		23	311105	PG-E - PG-3. Sniper fired one (1) rnd SA fire from vic (AT 981677) to Bn CP (AT 991678) from unk location. No action taken.	S/P BB-4, BB-2,3
1230		24	311230	BB-E - BB-3. Patrol 4 returned w/two (2) VCS.	S/P
1345		25	311345	BB-F - BB-3. Elements have departed to (AT 991678) to blow tunnels.	S/P
1620		26	311620	BB-F - BB-3. Patrol-1 has returned.	S/P
2500		27	311800	Journal Closed.	

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	Ser. NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M, S, T, F
1800		1	311800	Journal opened	
1810		2	311818	Mieu Bong - BB-3, 3d Co, 3d Bn, 51st Regt is at (AT 092653). 2d Co, 3d Bn ambush at (AT 014666) and (AT 019668).	M/S/F
		1815	311815	BB-3 - BB-2. Be prepared to move at 011000H to Bn Cp.	S/F
1950		4	311950	BB-F - BB-3. All bridges secure.	S/F
2050		5	312050	BB-H - ambush 1 has departed.	S/F
2100		6	312100	BB-F - ambush 1 has departed.	S/F
2105		7	312105	BB-F - ambush 3 has departed.	S/F
2340		8	312340	BBtel - ambush 1 has returned.	S/F
0007		9	010007	BBx - ambush 1 has returned. ambush 2 has departed.	S/F
0330		10	010330	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 2 has departed.	S/F
0550		11	010550	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 1 has departed.	S/F
0618		12	010618	Above - secure from standby status.	S/F
0630		13	010630	BB-F - BB-3. 3d Plt blocking force moving into posit.	S/F
0725		14	010725	BB-F - patrol 1 is at checkpoint 3.	S/F
0800		15	010800	Ambush 1 - BB-3. All roads clear.	S/F
0855		16	010855	Mieu Bong Ln0 - Pacification 1n will be working vic AT 999673 this morning. Kile 3/3 will pull out of Cam Ne (1) and (2) tomorrow.	M/S/F
1135		17	011135	BB-F - BB-3. Ambush 2 is cancelled for 2 Jan due to being short.	S/F
1205		18	011205	BB-F - BB-3. Squad (rain) patrol returned from La Dong - blew booby traps at (AT 995642) (AT 997642) Sen 3 and (AT 996643). Blew tunnel at (AT 994643 - AT 998644).	S/F
1315		19	011315	BB-E - BB-3. Lift complete, one Plt still on bridge.	
1445		20	011445	Mieu Bong = Co C at (AT 986683). Ambush 1 (AT 981683), orientated West. #2 at (AT 983679) orientated South-West.	
1530		21	011530	BB-F - BB-3. Moved ambush 2 from old coord notes to AT 993663. All else remains the same.	

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	Ser. NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M.S.T.F
1615		22	011615	Sen 3 - BD-3. 2 LWT-1's are available fro U.H. Must have demo kits w/tracs and experienced personnel (engineers).	S/F
1730		23	011730	Irontree - BD-3. Our R-1's are South of 73, are North of 69 and West of 07 and East of 04. Do you concur?	S/F
1800		24	011800	Journal closed.	

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 Place: DaNang, Republic VN
 From: 010001 December 1965
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<u>Time</u>	<u>Serial #</u>	<u>Date</u> <u>Time</u> <u>Group</u>	<u>Incidents, Messages, Orders</u>
0810	1		Liaison with all Company Commanders and Section Heads on transportation they will need for forthcoming move to new locations.
2400	2		All vehicle commitments and working parties set for 2 December 1965.
			From: 020001 December 1965 To: 022400 December 1965
0800	1		Three (3) M-54's from Regt assigned to H&S and K Co for hauling of thier gear.
0810	2		Six M-54's arrived from our attachments assigned to H Co and H&S Co.
1000	3		Five M-54's arrived from 3/9 loaded with gear.
1700	4		Hotel Co 2/9 located in new positions.
2400	5		Vehicles and working parties set up for 3 Dec.
			From: 030001 December 1965 To: 032400 December 1965
0800	1		Three (3) M-54's arrived at G Co position to take them to new location.
1300	2		Two (2) M-54's arrived at H&S Co to take them to new location.
1400	3		Sent three (3) M-54's to E Co to move them to new location.
1400	4		Call to Senator 35 for 3 M-54's for movement to new location. Affirmative.
1700	5		G and E Companies moved to new location with exception of E Company messhall.
1800	6		H&S Company all moved to new location with exception of Battalion Messhall.
2400	7		Vehicle commitments and working parties set for 4 December.
			From: 040001 December 1965 To: 042400 December 1965
0810	1		Three (3) M-54's arrived at F Co to move them to new location.
1000	2		One M-54 to Battalion Messhall for their movement to new location.
1700	3		Regt M-54's secured.

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 From: 050001 December 1965
 To: 052400 December 1965

<u>Date</u>	<u>Serial #</u>	<u>Incidents, Messages, Orders</u>
2400	1	Vehicle commitments and working parties set for 6 December. From: 060001 December 1965 To: 062400 December 1965
1030	1	Rec'd messages from PG-E: PG E/PG 4: Req 100 lbs demo; 1000 ft detonating cord; 1 can blasting caps, 1 set crimpers.
1032	2	Past above info to E Co Supply NCO for his action.
2400	3	Vehicle commitments and working parties set for 7 December. From: 070001 December 1965 To: 072400 December 1965
2400	1	Vehicle commitments and working parties set for 8 December 1965 From: 080001 December 1965 To: 082400 December 1965
0700	1	Engineers informed that all roads swept and clear.
2400	2	Vehicle commitments and working parties set for 9 December. From: 090001 December 1965 To: 092400 December 1965
0742	1	Engineers informed that all roads swept and clear.
2400	2	Vehicle commitments and working parties set for 10 December. From: 100001 December 1965 To: 102400 December 1965
0720	1	S-3 informed that engineers had swept roads and they are clear.
2400	2	Vehicle commitments and working parties set for 11 December. From: 110001 December 1965 To: 112400 December 1965
0730	1	S-3 informs that engineers have cleared all roads.
2400	2	Vehicle commitments and working parties set for 12 December. From: 120001 December 1965 To: 122400 December 1965
0740	1	S-3 informs that engineers have swept and cleared all roads.
2400	2	Vehicle commitments and working parties set for 13 December.

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 From: 130001 December 1965
 To: 132400 December 1965

<u>Time</u>	<u>Serial #</u>	<u>Incidents, Messages, Orders</u>
0720	1	S-3 informed that engineers had swept and cleared roads.
2400	2	Vehicle commitments and working parties set for 14 December.
		From: 140001 December 1965 To: 142400 December 1965
0920	1	Engineers completed sweeping and clearing of roads.
2400	2	Vehicle commitments and working parties set for 15 December.
		From: 150001 December 1965 To: 152400 December 1965
0730	1	S-3 informs that engineers have swept and cleared all roads.
2400	2	Vehicle commitments and working parties set for 16 December.
		From: 160001 December 1965 To: 162400 December 1965
0710	1	S-3 informs that engineers have swept and cleared all roads.
2400	2	Vehicle commitments and working parties set for 17 December
		From: 170001 December 1965 To: 172400 December 1965
0720	1	S-3 informs that engineers have swept and cleared all roads.
1305	2	Dispatched M-54 to Div ASP for pick up of ammo.
2400	3	Vehicle commitments and working parties set for 18 Dec 1965.
		From: 180001 December 1965 To: 182400 December 1965
0710	1	S-3 informs that engineers have cleared all roads.
2400	2	Vehicle commitments and working parties set for 19 December.
		From: 190001 December 1965 To: 192400 December 1965
0730	1	S-3 informs that engineers have cleared all roads.
2400	2	Vehicle commitments and working parties set for 20 December.

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 From: 200001 December 1965
 To: 202400 December 1965

<u>Time</u>	<u>Serial #</u>	<u>Incidents, Messages, Orders</u>
0720	1	S-3 informs that engineers have swept and cleared all roads.
1330	2	Dispatched M-54 to Div ASP to pick up ammo.
2400	3	Vehicle commitments and working parties set for 21 December.
		From: 210001 December 1965 To: 212400 December 1965
0730	1	S-3 informed that engineers have swept and cleared all roads.
1400	2	Dispatched M-54 to Div ASP to pick up ammo.
2400	3	Vehicle commitments and working parties set for 22 December.
		From: 220001 December 1965 To: 222400 December 1965
0730	1	S-3 informs that engineers have swept and cleared all roads.
0910	2	Dispatched M-54 to take boats to Song Cau Do.
2400	3	Vehicle commitments and working parties set for 23 December.
		From: 230001 December 1965 To: 232400 December 1965
0720	1	S-3 informs that engineers have swept and cleared all roads.
2400	2	Vehicle commitments and working parties set for 24 December.
		From: 240001 December 1965 To: 242400 December 1965
0720	1	S-3 informs that engineers have swept and cleared all roads.
2400	2	Vehicle commitments and working parties set for 25 December.
		From: 250001 December 1965 To: 252400 December 1965
HOLIDAY ROUTINE		
0720	1	S-3 informs that engineers have swept and cleared all roads.
2400	2	Vehicle commitments and working parties set for 26 December.
		From: 260001 December 1965 To: 262400 December 1965
0740	1	S-3 informs that engineers have swept and cleared all roads.
2400	2	Vehicle commitments and working parties set for 27 December.

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 From: 270001 December 1965
 To: 272400 December 1965

<u>Time</u>	<u>Serial #</u>	<u>Incidents, Messages, Orders</u>
0300	1	Engineers swept and cleared all roads.
0315	2	H Co departed CP on M-54's for operation.
0435	3	M-54's returned to CP and picked up E Co.
0500	4	E Co departed CP for operation.
0535	5	S-4 departed CP for operation.
0800	6	M-54's returned from OP.
0905	7	Dispatched wrecker to F Co for lifting of HE for LVTE.
1055	8	OP req 30 gas masks be delivered ASAP.
1056	9	Dispatched M-54 to Bn Supply for delivery of gas masks.
1300	10	OP req helo slings and satchel charges.
1320	11	M-54 staging helo slings and demo at helo pad.
1420	12	Helo slings and demo picked up by helicopter.
1527	13	Dispatched M-54 to OP to pick up VCS.
1600	14	Dispatched 4 M-54's to Bn Supply to haul boats to OP.
1605	15	Called 1A and cancelled boat run to OP. 8 M-54's are to report to S-4 Officer at OP.
1645	16	S-4 Officer req 5 BA-279 batteries and 50 illum grenades for K Co 3/3 be delivered with Qrata and water by M-54 to OP.
1830	17	Dispatched 6 M-54's to OP.
1930	18	M-54's returned to CP with G Co.
2000	19	M-54's returning E Co to CP.

From: 280001 December 1965
 To: 282400 December 1965

0720	1	S-3 informs that engineers have swept and cleared all roads,
1300	2	Dispatched 2 M-54's to E Co to bring one platoon to Song Cau Do bridge and bring back one platoon of F Co.
2400	3	Commitments for vehicles and working parties set for 29 Dec 1965.

From: 290001 December 1965
 To: 292400 December 1965

0720	1	S-3 informs that engineers have swept and cleared all roads.
1130	2	Dispatched 2 M-54's to Song Cau Do bridge to pick up one platoon from E Co and bring one platoon of F Co to bridge.
2400	3	Vehicle commitments and working parties set for 30 December.

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 Place: DaNang, Republic VN
 From: 300001 December 1965
 To: 302400 December 1965

<u>Time</u>	<u>Serial #</u>	<u>Incidents, Messages, Orders</u>
0720	1	S-3 informs that engineers have swept and cleared all roads.
0810	2	Two M-54's arrived this CP for support of Bn.
1230	3	S-4 Officer and S-4A went on recon of 1/9 and 3/3 areas for possible future operations.
1600	4	S-4 Officer and S-4A returned from recon.
2400	5	Vehicle commitments and working parties set for 31 December.
From: 310001 December 1965 To: 312400 December 1965		
0930	1	Roads from CP and to CP swept and cleared by engineers.
1435	2	Sgt Koch called Fert and Irontree S-4's and notified them to have 40 water cans available to this Bn for pick up on the afternoon of January 2 1966.
2010	3	Rec'd call from Senator-4 stating that this Bn is on a 4 hour alert and they will need to know how many trucks needed and location of pick up.
2400	4	Vehicle commitments and working parties set for 1 January 1966.

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