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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION.

3d Battalion, 9th Marines

Major W. J. WOODRING, JR.

1-8 September 1967

Major G. C. COOK

9-30 September 1967

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Company I

Captain W. A. COUGLER
1-30 September 1967

Company K

Captain R. L. CLOSE
1-6 September 1967

Company L

Captain R. W. AUSTIN
7-30 September 1967

Company M

Captain J. S. ADAMS
1-30 September 1967Captain R. B. JOHNSON
1-10 September 1967Captain J. L. TRUDEAU
11-22 September 1967Captain F. J. BRENN
23-30 September 1967

PLS Company

1st Lt. G. L. BARLOW
1-5 September 1967Captain J. L. TRUDEAU
6-15 September 19672d Lt. R. J. ELLIS
14-29 September 1967Captain A. K. WARD
30 September 19672. LOCATION.

1-10 September 1967 - Cam Lo, Republic of Vietnam

11-30 September 1967 - Con Thien, Republic of Vietnam

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Executive Officers

Major J. C. STUDE
1-10 September 1967Major R. L. JAMES
11-30 September 1967

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1stLt. D. J. MOSSEY
1-4 September 19672dLt. R. E. POSTALMAIT
5-30 September 1967

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1stLt. J. L. PENDLAND, JR.
1-30 September 1967

S-3

Major R. L. JAMES
1-10 September 1967Major B. W. GARDNER
11-30 September 1967

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Captain T. T. STIRLEY
1-9 September 1967
Captain R. N. O'NEILL
10-30 September 19674. AVERAGE STRENGTH.USMCUSNOFFICERSENLISTEDOFFICERSENLISTED

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PART IINARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the period 1-9 September 1967, this battalion continued in the defense of the CAM LO Base Camp (YD 143616), CAM LO River Bridge (YD 148604), provided road security along Route 561 from CAM LO to CON THIEN, and participated in Operation LIBERTY during the Vietnamese National Election. From 1-9 September this battalion had two companies at C-2 (YD 135645) in conjunction with Operation LYEMARKER.

On 10 September 1967, this battalion relinquished OPCON of CAM LO Base Camp to Third Battalion, 4th Marines and assumed OPCON of CON THIEN Complex (YD 114702). Emphasis was placed on aggressive patrolling

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within respective company sectors to counter and minimize enemy activity in these areas. The battle for established outposts and ambushes. All of the activities were conducted in the QUAN (AM 1) District, QUAN GIO LINH District, QUANG TRI Province, Republic of Vietnam.

On 9 September 1967 Major G. C. COCK assumed command of the 3d Battalion, 9th Marines vice Major W. J. WOODRING, JR.

PART III

1. FIF organization committed to combat.

a. Combat mission assigned.

(1) Occupy and defend the COM THIEU Complex.

(2) Be prepared on order to provide relief/reinforcement to GIO LINH artillery outpost and CUA VIET Facility in the event of enemy attacks.

(3) Conduct ground surveillance and spoiling attacks throughout assigned TAOR with assigned forces to detect and destroy infiltrating NVA forces.

(4) Maintain security on Route 561 in CA by aggressive patrolling along flanks.

b. Significant operations conducted. None.

c. Casualties inflicted on the enemy.

(1) KIA Confirmed ----- 50

(2) KIA Probable ----- 36

(3) POW ----- 0

d. Casualties sustained.

(1) KIA ----- 23

(2) WIA ----- 627

e. New techniques employed. None.

f. Command relations. Command relations with all supporting units continued to be excellent. Coordination and assistance received on all levels of command functions has been excellent. During the period this battalion functioned under the OPCON of the 9th Marines.

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g. Equipment. During this period there were no serious problems with equipment and normal Marine Corps issue was sufficient in all respects.

h. Logistics.

(1) Supply and Distribution.

(a) During the month of September, Division Supply initiated a message informing Battalion Supply to advise their pending requisitions for the 1967 Johnson Requirements and resubmit in accordance with the message. Division Supply is handling all the monsoon requirements to insure each battalion receives the quantity authorized there.

(b) During the last part of August and the first part of September, the battalion had a great influx of new personnel. Requisitions were hand carried through channels for all real items the battalion needed. 732 equipment was the prime concern.

(2) Transportation.

(a) Motor transport is working in preparation for the initial issue of the V274A2.

(b) Vehicles are no longer checked out daily by companies; rather the vehicles are centralized in the motor pool and dispatched as needed. This allows a greater control over vehicle usage and maintenance.

(3) Miscellaneous.

(a) The battalion moved from CAM LO to its present position at CON THIEU.

(b) CON THIEU was resupplied entirely by helicopter.

i. Civic Action.

(1) The following "Self-Help" projects were conducted during the period 1-10 September 1967:

(a) Food for Work. Forty-two (42) civilians were hired daily to fill sand bags for the C-2 Area. Beneficial results - improved local economy.

(b) Authorized Vendor Area. Established prescribed distance from the perimeter to provide services such as laundry and barbers for battalion personnel and simultaneously aid local economy.

(2) Projects and Classes to Improve Local Living Conditions.

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(a) Route 8B was paved and oiled to control dust in Cam Thai Market and village.

(b) Signs were posted to slow traffic passing through villages and encourage cleanliness of local market areas.

j. Administration. There were no administrative difficulties encountered during this period.

k. Personnel. Replacement personnel have not been available in sufficient quantities to fully replace losses due to combat and rotation to CONUS.

1. Intelligence.

(1) Weather.

(a) Temperature - the mean maximum temperatures ranged between 90-95 degrees fahrenheit. The mean minimum temperature ranged between 73-76 degrees fahrenheit.

(b) Winds - the winds were from the southwest at a mean speed of 8-10 knots.

(c) Precipitation - the precipitation increased toward the middle of the month. Heavy rains fell during the late evening and early morning hours, and the amount of precipitation increased considerably toward the end of the month.

(d) Humidity - the relative humidity averaged 81%, but the average is steadily decreasing.

(e) Clouds - cloudiness increased in the middle part of the month, but clouds were still at a high altitude except during late evening and rainy spells.

(f) Visibility - visibility was limited for ground troops during the middle of the month.

(2) Terrain.

(a) Con Thien - USMC outpost located at YD 115701 is the highest point in this area of operation.

(b) Trace - the man made trace between Con Thien (YD 115701) and Gio Linh (YD 213732) is a cleared area approximately 600 meters wide.

(c) Road - the North to South road (YD 137708) to (YD 135725) is easily recognized in the area and is accurately drawn on the map (Quang Tri, Sheet 6442IV, Series L7014).

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(d) Market - the destroyed market area (YD 135725) is randomly scattered but can be recognized easily.

(e) Observation and Field of fire - the open fields offer excellent observation and fields of fire. Observation and fields of fire from one field to another is hampered by hedgerows thus limiting said fields of fire to 60 to 75 meters.

(f) Cover and Concealment - concealment ranges from excellent in thick hedgerows to extremely poor in the open fields. Concealment is excellent for small groups of personnel. Large groups of personnel can be afforded cover if deployed properly. Hedgerows have old fighting holes and a few destroyed bunkers that provide good coverage. Many terraced rice fields have ditches that were dug to provide drainage and dirt for dike construction. Remains of homes also provide cover for snipers.

(g) Obstacles - the major obstacle for foot troops and track vehicle movement is thick hedgerows consisting of brushwood, undergrowth, bamboo, and elephant grass. However the less, troops and tanks can move without great difficulty.

(h) Landing Zones - LZ's are plentiful. Any open fields afford landing zones for any number of helicopters, from two to five.

(i) Effect on Enemy Operations - North of the trace the terrain favors the enemy with relation to ambushes and fighting positions, however any massive enemy movement could easily be seen by aerial reconnaissance. Water can be obtained from the tributaries of the Ben Hai and the Ben Hai itself, also artesian wells at YD 126738 and the lake at YD 141740 are excellent water points.

(3) Enemy Situation.

(a) Composition - From identification cards captured. The enemy is believed to be from the 90th Regiment 324B Division of the North Vietnamese Army.

(b) Strength and Combat Efficiency - The 90th Regiment, 324B Division has a strength of 2,400 personnel. the 90th Regiment weapons consist of 82mm mortars, 60mm mortars, 82 RR, 75 RR. LMG's FMG's, combat efficiency of the enemy forces is assumed to be excellent.

(4) Enemy Activity.

(a) Enemy activity in the Con Thien area has been that of small probes, the enemy has used artillery, rockets, mortars and recoilless rifles to the maximum.

(b) The enemy soldier is the NVA regular with average height 5'4" and average weight 120 lbs. The enemy is well equipped and all which is excellent condition.

(c) Enemy Weapons - The enemy is equipped with AK-47's, SKS's, 82mm mortars, 60mm mortars, assorted artillery, 57 RR, 82 RR, HMG's, LMG's, bangalores and satchel charges.

m. Communications.

(1) General. The main event concerning operational communications for September was the move from CAM LO to CON THIEN.

(2) Wire Section. The wire section of the communications platoon assisted in the move to CON THIEN.

(a) It coordinated the placement or replacement of telephone and wire gear with the 3d Battalion, 4th Marines.

(b) It installed a new wire system at CON THIEN by putting in over 20 (user) phones terminating in the switchboard, plus wiring and phones for various OP's and CP's within the CON THIEN Complex. Added to this, hotlines have been installed to the artillery batteries, terminating at the batteries and at the 3/9 COC. This section has continued to police wire and to improve on the existing wire system plus putting in new wire or replacing it, when damage was caused by enemy weapons fire.

(3) Radio Section.

(a) This section provided continuous communications for the move from CAM LO to CON THIEN.

(b) Upon arrival at CON THIEN, it established three main nets used by this battalion. Regimental TACT, Battalion TACT, and Battalion Admin.

(c) The section has maintained communications at CON THIEN by doing the following:

1 Placing antennas at the most protective positions consistent with good communications.

2 By constructing field expedient antennas for alternate use on the nets, if the main antennas (RC-292) were destroyed.

3 Maintaining centralized control over the battalion operators sent to the rifle companies, gives the Communications Officer a more effective control of communications in the companies and thus the battalion.

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4 The section has provided suggestions to the rifle companies for communication improvements.

5 It has provided operators for the alternate COC for the maintenance and continuance of the voice of command, in case the main COC was destroyed.

6 Finally, it has provided assistance to the supporting arms at CON THIEN by giving them equipment and important suggestions on effective communications.

(4) In the 3d Battalion, 9th Marines rear area (DONG HA) the communications platoon has accomplished the following:

(a) Maintained a battalion Admin Net for administrative traffic.

(b) Continuously working to improve communications data reports.

(c) Provides the battalion with current shackle sheets and messages from other commands.

(d) The communications personnel at the rear give effective logistical support which greatly assisted in communications maintenance at CON THIEN.

n. Fire Support.

(1) Units in direct support of this battalion during the month of September were:

(a) Battery E, 2d Battalion, 12th Marines.

(b) Mortar Battery, 1st Battalion, 12th Marines.

(c) Mortar Battery, 3d Battalion, 12th Marines.

(d) Battery D, 2d Battalion, 12th Marines.

(e) Second Battalion, 94th Artillery, USA, .

(f) 1st Battalion, 40th Artillery, USA, (175mm).

(g) 1st 8" Howitzer Battery.

(h) Battery K, 4th Battalion, 12th Marines (155mm).

(2) During the month of September, direct fire support artillery fired 250 missions. There were 50 unobserved and 200 observed missions. In addition there were 260 illumination missions fired.

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(3) During the period a total of 12,000 rounds of HE and 500 rounds of illumination were expended. There were approximately 50 H&I concentrations with an average of 25 rounds per concentration fired nightly during the period.

o. Air Support. A detailed breakdown by type of aircraft is listed below:

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>REQUESTED</u>	<u>RECEIVED</u>
MEDEVAC - Routine	4	4
Priority	18	18
Emergency	13	13
Helo Resupply -- Routine	22	22
Priority	3	3
Emergency	6	6
Helo Trooirlift	3	1
Helo Recon	1	1
Helo Gunship	0	0
T CA (AO)	29	28
Fixed Wing - DAS	3	3
CAS	3	6
TPQ	160	UNK
Flareship	3	0
AC-47	2	1

p. Chaplin.

(1) Divine Services - Protestant

- (a) Number of Services: 16
- (b) Total Attendance: 442
- (c) Number receiving Holy Communion: 78

(2) Lay Services:

- (a) Number of Services: 4
- (b) Total Attendance: 52

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(4) Memorial Services - Circumstances did not permit the holding of a Memorial Service.

(5) Significant Events.

(a) Dispensary and Hospital Visits: 442 (All BAS-Con Thien patients seen).

(b) Prayers for the Dead: 65.

(c) Letters written: 28.

(d) Professional Counseling Interviews: 37

(e) Red Cross Cases: 11

(f) Lectures on "Religions of Vietnam": 7 Total
Attendance: 179

(g) Private Holy Communion: 1

(h) Visited 3/9 patients on Hospital Ship SANTUARY 14
September 1967.

(i) Conducted monthly Narcotics inventory on 1 September.

(6) LT. L. L. WESTLING, CHC, USNR, relieved as Chaplain of 3/9 by LCDR. R. D. BLACK, CHC, USNR, on 15 September 1967.

g. Medical.

(1) The medical status of the battalion is presently satisfactory.

(2) There were 1118 visits to sick call this month. Marines - 1098, Navy - 20.

(3) There were 6 clinical procedures performed this month.

(4) The present strength of the Medical Department is:

(a) 1 Medical Officer

(b) 48 Corpsmen

(c) 3 Corpsmen are presently on the sicklist.

(5) Medical supply has been adequate except for a four (4) day period when difficulty was encountered with resupply due to inclement weather.

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- (6) Two (2) Vietnamese civilians were treated during the month.
- (7) One (1) civilian correspondent was treated this month.
- (8) The sanitation of the battalion meets the minimum standards.
- (9) There were twelve (12) cases of venereal disease during the period 1-30 September 1967.

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TIME ENTERED	DATE/TIME GROUP	JOURNAL	ACTION
	011022 H	Received 1 round 82 RR from northerly direction.	
	011245 H	Received 1 round arty from northerly direction.	
	011245 H	Co k patrol found 1 NVA KIA. Coord 117704 with 2 bangaloid torpedoes and 10lb TNT.	
	011652 H	Received 2 rds RR fire from 099704. Fired 81 with neg res.	
	012000 H	Co M reported receiving 30 rds 82 mortars just outside of wire 115710 enemy coord. Returned 30 rds 81 mortars.	
	012020 H	Patrol spotted and fired on 4 NVA (117704) patrol ##### is checking area to determine enemy casualties if any. Checked out area with neg res.	
	012325 H	MDM Reported noise out in front of position, sounded like wire being cut opened up with M-79, 81 mortars, and 4.2 arty. Received S/A fire from outside wire and 5 rds recoilless rifle from 101699.	
	020847 H	Received 3 rds incoming propaganda leaflets and one round of HE mortars from above coord. Returned 81 mission with unknown res.	
	020905 H	Received 6 rds incoming 60 mortars from YD 097705. Returned 50 cal MG, and 3 rds Of 106 W/good coverage.	
	020940 H	Received 2 rds incoming 60 mortars from YD 100710, returned 3 rds, 106s with secondary explosions.	
	020958 H	Received 1 rd 60 mortars from coord 101700. Returned 81 mission with good coverage of target.	
	021120 H	Received 2 rds incoming with air burst from what appeared to be 82 RR from YD 100705, and 110712. 4.2 and 81 mission fired on target with unk/res.	
	021158 H	Received 6 rds incoming 60 mortars from YD 108715 and 1 rd 85 arty from unknown location. Returned 81 mission with good coverage of target.	
	021308 H	Received 5 rds incoming 82 RR from unknown location.	
	021816 H	Received 4 rds recoilless rifle fire from E 101699, and 10 rds 82 mortars from E 111707. Called in 81 with neg res.	

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	022000 H	Received 10 rds 82 mortars returned counter mortar fire.	
	031011 H	AO observed 4 NVA in tree line YD 110714, NVA appeared to be sitting up mortar. Fired 50 cal MG, 106, and 81 mission, with two NVA KIA prob.	
	031354 H	Received 5 rds incoming arty from a northerly direction.	
	031603 H	Received 3 rds 60 mortar and 3 rds 152 arty from unknown location.	
	031850 H	Received 11 rds incoming 82 mortars from YD 097708, Returned 4.2 mission with neg res.	
	040330 H	Received 8 rds 82 mortar from unknown location.	
	041050 H	Received 3 rds incoming RR from YD 116712. Returned 81 mission.	
	041421 H	Received 1 rd RR from YD 116724. Returned 7 rds 81 mortars with unk res.	
	041621 H	Received 2 rds incoming mortars. Returned 81 mission with unk res.	
	042035 H	Received approx 30 rds AK47 s/a fire from YD 1120715, Returned 81 mission with unk res.	
	050833 H	10 rds incoming unk cal, from unk direction.	
	050839 H	Received 6 rds incoming unk cal.	
	050952 H	Received 4 rds 57 RR or 82 mortars from YD 100699, returned 81 mission.	
	051205 H	Received 15 rds 82 mortars from YD 104714. 5 rds 82 RR from YD 106709. 6 rds arty. 82 mortars from northerly direction. Returned 81 mission on mortar and RR position.	
	051230 H	Received 3 rds incoming 82 mortars from unknown location.	
	051530 H	Received one rd 60 mortars and s/a fire from YD 102709. Returned 50 cal M.G. and 20 rds 81 mortars wity unk res.	
	051800 H	AO Reported 125 YDS of trench line and 5 bunkers destroyed by air. 100702	
	051909 H	Received 9 rds 57 RR from grid 105704 returned 81 mission.	
	052040 H	Received 2 rds of incoming 57 RR fire from YD 106699, 119715, which landed in southerly direction from this position. Returned 4.2 and 81 mission.	
	111205 H	L3-1 Reports trip flare set off by undetermined source. Returned M79, at area will search in morning.	
	131500 H	Huey observed 4*5 bunkers freshly dug 3'x6'. Arty mission called.	
	132050 H	Trip flare set off at 982533 L3-1 fired 15 rds M-16 will search area in morning.	

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	142150 H	S-T-2 made contact with 12 to 15 NVA with automatic weapons. S-T-2 opened fire and threw grenades. Began running back inside perimeter. Enemy fired auto weapons threw grenades and followed S-T-2 to the perimeter then retreated. Fired 81 and arty mission.	
	150035 H	Arty FO observed fire (984516) arty mission of six rounds with unk res.	
	151210 H	M co squad patrol found evidence of VC or NVA OP coord (996443). Found 1 15 ft ladder and 3 sleeping mats.	
	151800 H	MP 2 (151800), (600474), spotted 3 unusual dung piles on iron. Piles were flattened and 2 ft in diameter. No buffalo observed in area. Suspects mines covered with dung. Will check at first light.	
	125030 H	Heard unusual whistling sounds. Possible NVA signaling. Fired 81 and 60 mortars into (986537).	
	170920 H	MD 6/2 on OPmsue observed 4 suspected NVA in utilities sitting under tree at 968500. Fired 22 rds of arty.	
	171415 H	OP South observed 4 NVA working (989513) arty mission fired.	
	171815 H	OP Sue observed two men in grey uniform walking near tree line, called 81 mission with good coverage.	
	191115 H	YD 963568 Found frame house about 6 mos old w/observer platform and one USMC pancho. House not recently used. Searched area with neg res, house destroyed by hand. Pancho returned to CP.	
	192250 H	YD 997558 observed lights from fishbowl at above coord. Fired 81 at grid 887558. Good coverage res unk.	
	200845 H	993538 Found one cone shaped aluminum obj, small glass bottle w/chicom marking possible stone pile markings.	
	211515 H	945541 obs 15 to 20 VC in treeline moving up hill carrying rifles called in arty mission rounds on tgt. 7 KIA prob.	
	211300 H	019478 Discussed VC marder on edge of clearing 3 upright stakes in triangle 3 parallel stakes on ground. Suspected booby trap area. No signs of recent activity on intire route. H&I plotted in area.	

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	211820 H	YD 992466 MD-M, MP-3, discovered VC resting area on stream. Reports by Kit carson scout says at least 2 squads to one plt of vc within past 12 to 18 hrs. Scout dogs followed scent on trail leading N.W. for 200 M before losing scent. At 1630 1 chopper was shot at by AK-47 from app grid 988472. Papa's activity to be planned in area soon. H&I req. Fired 81 and 105 arty at 988472. ## ###	
	212150 H	024454 at 1930 series of bright white ## ## flashes obs. at coord on line app 1939 3 helos in area. Again series of white flashes at above coord. Flashes ceased and all lights went out. including lights in village that appeared to be a campfire. At 2000 series of flashes at above coord. Camp fire reappeared. Flashes noted again at 2000 -2020-2035 2040-2045-2100.	
	220630 H	LA-2 YD 989530 moving toward ambush site, scout dog sensed something ahead. Second man behind scout dog thinks he saw figure moving quickly across road in easterly direction. Lima A-2 actual believed enemy ambush ahead. Moving back to bridge. Lima A-2 actual called in app 20 rds boxer mission on suspected enemy position, after mission in 15 min LA-2 moved back to original position of ambush. neg res returned to I-P. In morning same unit searched area where believed figure crossed, found a well used trail leading for hill 400. Also new trails worn in elephant grass, all other search neg.	
	221430 H	Found one spider trap 3'x2'x3', with coverage. Visible from ground level, approx 3 mos old.	
	221940 H	Bowling green spotted unknown number of enemy at above coord. Called 81 mission on above coord. Bowling green presently moving west. Good coverage of target results unk.	
	230200 H	Spotted movement about 20 meters in front of perimeter. Figure moving toward perimeter. Fired 20 rds 5.56, and 1 rd M-79. Called in 81 illum, will search area in morning.	
	230220 H	Marine on watch heard movement in wire. Threw M-29 with neg res. Will check area at first light.	
	230940 H	Patrol apprehended 2 VC suspects who had 782 gear, one star cluster and 32,900 P and radio. Chopper requested to evacuate susp.	
	231100 H	2c2 inserted at YD 017425.	
	231456 H	Position report on 2c1, 2c2.	
	232027 H	MP-3 (1) 032454 (2) 033452 (3) 034447	

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TIME ENTERED	DATE/TIME GROUP	JOURNAL	ACTION
	232027 H	MP-3 (1) 032454 (2) 033452 (3) 034447 obs village at above coord. VC sympathizers at 033452 hostile and probably VC active. 034447 very friendly, indication of enemy movement passing through area heading south. Detailed written report to be sent to MD-2 as soon as can be picked up. Suspects had 1 81 mortar rd, radio commercial type, cig light, 32,900 P, and one air panel.	
	24 1205 H	Recon sent pos report 2c1 911575, 2c2 021426.	
	241315 H	MP-1 YD 005470 Bridge has center span demolished. Remn convert lying in river. Butments are excellent complete span necessary for report length 45' wide span, 14' ford at 004469 is excellent ground is firm with excellent drainage. River is swift flowing and should be fordable in nonsoon for all vehicles except straight body trucks.	
	241615 H	Position report on recon 2c1 924523 2c2 031428.	
	241920 H	Recon pos report 2c1 924573, 2c2 081428.	
	241930 H	Received report from Mco on MP-3 of 23 Oct 67 Reference general intelligence file.	
	241935 H	Regt reports vc are organizing children 10 yrs and older to come poison water around military installations.	
	250910 H	YD 995474-991572, MP-2 heard noises at 995474 indicating possible enemy squad moving east through stream just southeast of check pt. Also heard voices at 991572. MP-2 saw small rockpile on trail suspect mine working neg enemy contact.	
	25	At approx 14 MD6/2 conducted fore mission at 906520, direction 4500 smoke was sighted at 89835157. After rounds were complete, saw hege amount of smoke and heard 3 secondary explosions.	
	251105 H	Recon 2c1 924573, 2c2 033425.	
	251600 H	Recon 2c1 928567, 2c2 033425.	
	251915 H	Recon 2c1 928567, 2c2 041449, 2-1 9562-9860, 5-2 9350-9648.	
	251935 H	Heard whistling noises from above coord. Fired 81 mission res unk.	

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TIME ENTERED	DATE/TIME GROUP	JOURNAL	ACTION
	251630 H	LP-2 saw VC in treeline. Called fire mission. Found debris, possibly enemy in bunkers, sent small recon unit found 1 defective mortar position.	
	251320 H	Position report recon	
	251545 H	2C1- 928567 2C2- 047423 Recon pos report	
	262000 H	2C1-928567 2C2-048423 MD-2 found two bundles of elephant grass and crossed aticks at 968587. Found six aiming stakes at 985473 appeared to be for high angle weapon appeared to be ### two months old.	
	262110 H	OP observed lights at 905520. 105 mission fired lights out.	
	271210 H	Found 20 NVA foxholes approx 3'x4'x4' among ##### these five holes were fresh 975517	
	270950 H	975509 CO-L observed smokt at above coord. Called arty mission.	
	271615 H	016566 B-9 convoy rec'd one rd. S/A fire from N. direction. Return 1 rd M-79. Neg/results.	
	271200H	MDL., XD975517 found 20 Nva, foxhole Approx 3x4x4, among these five were freash. Left holes intact, will call H&I.	
	271815	5-2 psn report 965 485	
	291920	Redon reported in- 2c2&2c1 out 2-1 out 3-1 919567 5-2 965485.	
272115H	272115H	Co. K, Heard movement near wire at xd990545 fired 10 rds., 5.56 & 3-81 illum	
280145H		MD "M" report movement 50m., east of their pos. The starlight scope revealed 2 infrared devices at yd015457, 60mm. defense fire-79 and frag grenades were employed. The 60mm fire landed on the infrared and two men were obs., being hit 2-5 persons moved quickly to the NE from above pos. the area will be thoroughly searched in the morning. Enemy KIA Prob 2 Recon found six two man bunkers, 13 82 mortar rounds. 30 to 40 fuses. Bunkers about a month old. Fuses fairly new. many still in containers. 985483	
	281645 H	Ran into 12 to 15 NVA set in, 949484 wearing khakis. Had automatic weapons. four to five enemy KIA.	
	281230 H	IP-1 Found possible enemy position at 958556, cut brush and rock parapet, fresh trail, destroyed.	
	202340 H	L co Hearn movement and noise at 982547 threw one M 26.	
	292145 H	Recon Pos. 2C1-9548, 9250.	
	292135 H	986554 Enroute to light ambush site lead element of patrol obs, 1 figure and fired 10 rds 5.56. No fire returned recon ning the area.	
	292200 H	MD-M 000454 Received 6 rds incoming 60 mortars from 003545. Returned 81 and arty	

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	292225 H	OP Ray spotted flashes at above coord called arty.	
	292300 H	Recon pos 6-1 Burgundy wine upper left-9560, Lower right 9737 2c2 up left- 8658 low right 8855	
	301630 H	Recon pos rep. 3-1 877576 6-1 MD pos	
	301930 H	K observed one figure outside of wire to se.	
	301940 H	K-1 heard movement in wire.	
	311345 H	Recon 3-1 out 2c2 in at 877576	
	312030 H	Recon 2c2 875565	
	312145 H	Had wires probed, trip flare set off, 1 incoming grenade. 983532	
	312010 H	Heard movement outside wire to east. 981544	

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IN	OUT				
0740		1	110740H	Road sweep departed. AO observed 4 NVA (YD 111723), fired 96 rounds 81mm HE and 4 WP. 1 Enemy KIA (Prob).	S-F, 9th Marines S-3
0910		2	110910H	Road sweep completed.	S-F
1045		3	111023H	CP received 12 rounds 60mm and 3 rounds 75mm recoilless rifle fire from YD 132723. Returned 81mm mortar mission of 32 rounds with unknown results.	S-F, 9th Marines S-3
1050		4	111040H	Company I, at Con Thien, observed 4 NVA (YD 082711). Fired 4 rounds 81mm mortar with unknown results.	S-F, 9th Marines S-3
1122		5	111119H	Wire laying detail received one 60 mm mortar and harassing small arms fire. CP received 3 rounds 82mm mortar fire from northerly direction. CP received 1 round 85mm artillery from northerly direction, at 1347 received 17 rounds 82mm mortar and 2 rounds 57 recoilless rifle fire. Returned 81mm mortar mission.	S-F, 9th Marines S-3
1505		6	111505H	3 holes discovered in wire by 82mm mortars near 1st Plt. Company M's area.	S-F
1535		7	111530H	Company I observed 2 NVA (YD 122709) 81mm mission of 6 rounds called. AO reported men went into tunnel at above coordinates.	S-F, 9th Marines S-3
1945		8	111945H	2d Plt, Company I patrol departed it's IP.	S-F
2005		9	111605H	Received incoming 60mm mortars (4 rounds)	S-F, 9th Marines
2015		10	112020H	ALL Company I's patrols departed IP and are now in their ambush sites.	S-F
2030		11	112045H	Perimeter reported receiving 7 rounds of artillery fire, unknown direction.	S-F, 9th Marines

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IN	OUT				
0005		1	120005H	OP#2 reported sighting active rocket position, about 600 meters out from their position.	S-F
0115		2	120110H	OP#2 reported receiving 60mm mortars that are being walked into perimeter.	S-F, 9th Marines
0615		3	120615H	Company I ambushes returned to their IF.	S-F
0715		4	120715H	Road sweep departed.	S-F
0750		5	120750H	Road sweep activated explosive device (YD 128667) near center of road. 1 USMC KIA, 2 WIA. One additional WIA from supporting unit.	S-F, 9th Marines
0925		6	120920H	Received 7 rounds incoming 60mm mortars.	S-F, 9th Marines S-3
0930		7	120930H	Road sweep completed.	S-F
1050		8	121050H	Received 10 rounds incoming 82mm and 5 rounds 60mm mortars from YD 122720. Returned 40 rounds 81mm HE and 3 rounds WP, with unknown results.	S-F, 9th Marines S-3
1130		9	121117H	Received 3 incoming 60mm mortars from unknown position with 2 USMC WIA's.	S-F, 9th Marines S-3
1245		10	121240H	Received 12 incoming 82mm mortar rounds. Returned 81mm and 60mm fire missions with unknown results, 1 USMC WIA.	S-F, 9th Marines S-3
1435		11	121430H	OP observed active artillery position at YD 105725. OP received 5 incoming 85mm artillery rounds from above coordinates. 105mm mission fired with 2 secondary explosions.	S-F, 9th Marines S-3
1440		12	121520H	Received 30 rounds 82mm mortar and 9 rounds 60mm mortar from unknown location. 2 USMC WIA's	

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IN	OUT				
0315		1	132345H 130130H	OP#2 reported seeing lights moving on the trace. After the first round of WP the lights on the north side of the strip went out, but lights on south side of the strip continued to blink. After fire mission the south side lights moved up and down in a rapid manner. VT mission was fired and 5-6 lights moved in a scattered and confused manner. A fire started on south side and 20 secondary explosions resulted. Explosions were orange, yellow, orange and red. All explosions were very bright, and some extended for some 200 meters into the air. TPQ in the area produced 2 additional visible explosions, and some audible explosions. During the time the lights were spotted until the last secondary explosions Con Thien received no incoming and no enemy flashes were seen. Results: Lights were out.	S-F, 9th Marines S-3
0858		2	130200H	Ontos on perimeter reported explosions 25 meters in front of this position. Secondary explosions 200 meters to left in wire and set off trip flare. Called 81mm illumination in a concentration. Negative results.	S-F, 9th Marine S-3
0320		3	130320H	Received small arms fire, 50 cal, RPG's, 60mm, 82mm, 85mm artillery. Ground attack by an estimated Reinforced company began from north, then shifted in a westerly direction. 0357, ground attack seemed to be breaking up. 0404, enemy fired two red flares. 0410, Enemy observed assembling at YD 115716. 0432, incoming ceased enemy withdrawing to the northwest. 0449, incoming resumed and continued until 0610. total estimated 495 rounds of all types incoming.	S-F, 9th Marine
0320		4	130320H	Continued: Also received 57 recoilless rifle and 82mm fire from B-10 recoilless continued page #2.	

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IN	OUT				
				continued from page #1: gun. 106mm fire from this position had secondary explosion. Enemy, YD 122709. Total casualties, 4 USMC KIA, WIA's 14.	S-F, 9th Marine S-3
0930		5	130928H	FO observed NVA troops in open YD 124716. Artillery mission called with 3 enemy KIA (Prob).	S-F, 9th Marine S-3
1040		6	131025H	Received 21 rounds incoming 60mm and artillery returned 81mm mission with unknown results. Enemy artillery YD 1875, mortar YD 117710.	S-F, 9th Marine S-3
1135		7	131125H	Received 7 rounds incoming 82mm from YD 112676. Returned 81mm fire mission with unknown results. 1 USMC WIA.	S-F, 9th Marine S-3
11400		8	1311345H	OP observed 2 NVA in open YD 120710. Fired 6 rounds 81mm, with 1 KIA (Prob).	S-F, 9th Marine S-3
11450		9	1311448H	Received 10 rounds 60mm from YD 111678, YD 118672, YD 108678, and YD 112680. There appears to be four mortar sites in this area. Returned 60mm and 81mm missions, with unknown results.	S-F, 9th Marine S-3
1620		10	131530H	GP received 7 rounds 82mm mortar from unknown position, 4 USMC WIA's.	S-F, 9th Marine
1620		11	131555H	AO observed active rocket site at YD 0568 fire mission being conducted by AO. 106's fired 4 rounds on target. No secondary explosions.	S-F, 9th Marine
1750		12	131712H	Received 4 incoming 60mm mortars, sighted suspected enemy mortar position at YD 108677. Returned 60mm and 81mm mortar fire.	S-F, 9th Marines

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IN	OUT				
0012		1	143245H	03 observed flashing light (YD 100702) 81mm mission called, fired 20 rounds, lights out.	S-F, 9th Marine
0321		2	140321H	Received 4 rounds artillery, 1st Plt, Company M had a bangalore torpedo blown in front of their position. 81's fired night defensive fires and illumination. During illumination Co. M observed a 10 meter hole in wire.	S-F, 9th Marine
0345		3	140345H	Received 2 rounds 82mm. 0400 received 6 rounds 120 rockets. 0401 spotted flasheds at YD 104715. 81mm mission observed, and fired.	S-F, 9th Marine
0845		4	140845H	Road sweep departed IP.	S-F, 9th Marine
0950		5	140950H	Received 8 rounds 60mm and 4 rounds artillery from unknown location.	S-F, 9th Marine
1010		6	141010H	Receiving long range small arms harrasing fire from at least two locations. 106's fired 2 rounds heat (YD 120711), small arms fire ceased. 1 enemy KIA (Prob).	S-F, 9th Marine
1030		7	141030H	Company I (YD 122690) received 4 rounds 85mm incoming artillery.	S-F, 9th Marine
1035		8	141035H	AO observed 20 NVA in open (YD 125716) removing bodies from area covered by air strike. 81mm mortar mission called, with 5 enemy KIA (Conf), 4 KIA (Prob).	S-F, 9th Marine
1130		9	141120H	Received 11 rounds incoming 82mm mortars. Returned 81mm mission with unknown results. 2 USMC WIA.	S-F, 9th Marine
1135		10	141130H	Company I, received 7 rounds 60mm incoming from YD 106668. Artillery mission called with unknown results.	S-F, 9th Marine
1220		11	141218H	Road sweep (YD 135666) received 18 rounds incoming artillery from YD 052683. Returned 106mm mission of 24 rounds. Air and artillery called.	S-F, 9th Marine

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1225		12	14122H	Received 3 incoming 60mm mortar rounds from unknown location.	S-F, 9th Marine
1335		13	141325H	Received 5 rounds 82mm mortar rounds from YD 104681. 81mm fire mission fired with unknown results.	S-F, 9th Marine
1500		14	141415H	Received 7 incoming 82mm mortar rounds from unknown location. Received long range small arms fire from westerly direction. Returned .50 caliber with unknown results. Received 6 rounds incoming 82mm recoilless gun from YD 128720 and YD 113725. Returned 81mm mission with secondary explosion and black smoke (YD 113725). 1 USMC KIA, 8 WIA's.	S-F, 9th Marine
1505		15	141425H	Company I, 2nd Plt, heard small arms fire (YD 115683). Fired 12 M-79 with unknown results.	S-F, 9th Marine
1845		16	141612H	Intelligence report indicates possible attack by two battalion size units with direction and time of attack unknown.	S-F, 9th Marine S-2
1900		17	141620H	AO spotted 5 to 8 NVA in open and trench line at YD 100702 (estimate). 81mm mission called in with unknown results.	S-F, 9th Marine
1905		18	141710H	Received 2 82mm recoilless gun rounds from unknown position. 1 USMC WIA.	S-F, 9th Marines
1950		19	141950H	3d Plt, Company I's, patrol/ambush left their IP.	S-F
1955		20	141955H	2nd Plt and 3d Plt, Company I's, patrol/ambush left their IP.	S-F
2015		21	142015H	All patrols in their ambush site.	S-F
2050		22	142047H	3d Plt, Company I's patrol/ambush, while in ambush site, received 2 incoming 60mm. 5 minutes later encountered 2 personnel wearing white pith helmets. Fired 20 rounds 5.56 and searched area, with negative results.	S-F, 9th Marines

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IN	OUT				
0435		1	150402H	Received harassing small arms fire from the southwest. Returned 81mm fire mission in area of fire, with unknown results. Harassing fire ceased. Received 3 rounds 82 recoilless gun fire from YD 102700.	S-F, 9th Marine
0550		2	150536H	Received harassing 12.7mm automatic fire from 2 machine guns. One to the northeast and the other due north. 106's saw missile flashes. Called in 81mm fire mission and 106's fired 4 rounds at target. Results unknown.	S-F, 9th Marine
0600		3	150600H	Company I's patrol/ambushes returned their IP.	S-F
0810		4	150810H	Road sweep departed.	S-F
1010		5	151010H	Road sweep returned.	S-F
1300		6	151255H	From 9th Marines to 2/9, information for 3/9, in view of enemy threat, recommend you select night position close to YD 68 with due consideration to utilization most defensive terrain.	S-F
1310		7	151205H	Received 3 rounds incoming 82mm mortar from YD 099713. Returned 20 rounds 81mm mortar with unknown results.	S-F, 9th Marine
1310		8	151300H	Received 4 rounds incoming 60mm mortar from YD 112683 and 2 rounds incoming 82mm recoilless gun from YD 118722. Returned 81mm mortar mission on targets with unknown results.	S-F, 9th Marine
1330		9	151325H	AO observed 15 to 20 troops in bunkers and trench line (YD 102678). Artillery mission called with good coverage and rounds on target. One bunker destroyed.	S-F, 9th Marine
1430		10	151420H	Received 24 rounds incoming 82mm mortar from YD 110672. 2/9 taking target under fire.	S-F, 9th Marine

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1432		11	151422H	Received 6 rounds incoming 82mm recoilless run from YD 128722 and 4 rounds 85mm artillery from YD 112832. Enemy artillery position turned over to supporting arms. 81mm mission called on recoilless position, with unknown results.		S-F, 9th Marine
1500		12	151450H	Received 3 rounds incoming 82mm recoilless fire. Returned 81mm mortar mission, with unknown results.		S-F, 9th Marine
1623		13	151625H	Observed 2 NVA in vicinity of house at YD 119711. Fired 6 rounds 106mm heat. 4 rounds hit house, partly destroyed house. Received 6 rounds incoming 60mm mortar from YD 110672. 2/9 firing fire mission.		S-F, 9th Marine
1850		14	151845H	Received 5 rounds artillery from unknown direction. Due to poor visibility cannot see muzzle flashes.		S-F, 9th Marine
2010		15	152010H	Company K's patrols/ambushes departed their IP.		S-F
2130		16	152130H	1stPlt, Company K's patrol/ambush, made contact, received 2 grenades and small arms fire. Called in 81 fire mission, enemy broke contact. On way to ambush site spotted 3 enemy in brush. Fired 10 rounds M-16, also threw 1 M-26 and moved back to observe 81 mission. Ambush change position from YD 115692 to YD 115690.		S-F, 9th Marines
2258		17	152258H	Company K reported that the ambush believed that they are being surrounded. Company K 6 requested that ambush return to CP. Request OK'ed by 3/9 3.		S-F
2335		18	152335H	1stPlt, Company K reported back to their IP.		S-F

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0600		1	160218H	Began receiving small arms fire, 60mm, 82mm, and artillery. Small arms fire from north and northwest, with enemy moving into wire on the north with satchel charges. 0315, small arms fire ceased and incoming mortar and artillery slowed down. 0327, incoming increased. 0330, incoming hitting outside perimeter. 0335, all incoming ceased. 2 USMC KIA.	S-F, 9th Marine
0740		2	160740H	Road sweep began.	S-F
1105		3	161100H	Road sweep reports culvert between Con Thien and C-2 has washed out and they are unable to return to Con Thien.	S-F
1140		4	161130H	Received 1 round recoilless rifle fire. Enemy position spotted at YD 116713 and 81mm and artillery mission were shot with unknown results.	S-F, 9th Marine
1425		5	161200H	Company L patrol found two NVA bodies at YD 108688, which appeared to have been dead 2-3 weeks. Both bodies had dark green clothing; 1 body had field pack with chicom grenades and various other infantry gear. Other body was stripped except for clothing. 1 ID card, NVA type was found, bodies were left in tact.	S-F, 9th Marine S-2
1650		6	161500H	Company K patrol (YD 115685) found 7 graves containing 2 NVA bodies about 1 month old. 6 graves were empty and not covered. Also found signs of recent troop movement.	S-F, 9th Marine S-2
1815		7	161635H	Received 6 rounds 85mm artillery and 2 rounds 82mm recoilless rifle fire. 81mm mortars called on enemy (YD 134692), with unknown results. 2 USMC WIA's.	S-F, 9th Marine
1830		8	161735H	Received 14 round incoming 82mm mortar and 6 rounds 60mm mortar. Artillery called on YD 123715, and 81mm mortars on YD 138717 and YD 106666, with unknown results.	S-F, 9th Marine

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IN	OUT				M- Maps S- Staff	T- Troops F- File
0114		1	170114H	OP#2 reported an air burst in the southern part of the perimeter.	S-F	
0430		2	170430H	3d Plt, Company L's patrol/ambush returned to its IP.	S-F	
1830		3	171830H	Received 3 rounds incoming 82mm, one was a dud. Fired 81mm fire mission at YD 115723. Resulted in 2 secondary explosions.	S-F, 9th Marines	
2015		4	172015H	Received 10 rounds 82mm mortar and 4 rounds 60mm mortar fire. Fired 30 rounds 81mm mortar, with negative results.	S-F, 9th Marines	
2105		5	172105H	Received 17 rounds of 82mm mortar fire and 4 rounds 60mm fire. 3 trip flares were activated and machine gun and small arms fire received from 100 meters out. 81mm mortar and 4.2 mortar fired missions with unknown results.	S-F, 9th Marine	
2242		6	172242H	Noise heard in front of wire. Small arms fired with negative results.	S-F	

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0035		1	180035H	Had small arms fire down in draw between OP#1 and OP#2.	S-F	
0300		2	180300H	Received 3 82mm mortar rounds from unknown direction.	S-F, 9th Marine	
1803		3	180310H	Fired 12 round 4.2mm at YD 117709. Had secondary and fire. Fired 6 rounds 4.2mm at YD 117706, with negative results.	S-F, 9th Marine	
0550		4	180550H	Company K, squad size patrol, returned to its IP.	S-F	
0610		5	180610H	All night time activities returned to their IP.	S-F	
0800		6	180730H	Found two holes in wire to the north of this position where bangalore torpedos had been exploded. Found one Bangalore torpedo in tack, torpedo dismantled and returned to this CP.	S-F, 9th Marine S-2	
0805		7	180800H	Received 3 rounds 82mm recoilless fire from YD 004695. 81mm fire mission called with good coverage on target.	S-F, 9th Marine	
0950		8	180944H	Received 3 rounds 82mm incoming mortar fire. Returned 8.2mm mission, with unknown results.	S-F, 9th Marine	
1005		9	180924H	Company L received small arms automatic fire, 60mm, and 3 grenades from YD 103684, YD 106688, YD 103686 from an estimated reinforced enemy platoon. Returned small arms fire, called 81mm fire missions and artillery. 2 USMC KIA, 1 WIA. 3 enemy KIA (Conf), 7 KIA (Prob).	S-F, 9th Marine	
1645		10	181510H	Received 60 rounds 105mm artillery with 3 USMC WIA. Artillery fire mission resulted in secondary explosion at YD 08737603.	S-F, 9th Marine	
1915		11	181716H	Received 8 rounds 105mm artillery. Artillery mission called, 175mm with 2 secondary explosion from YD 11068179.	S-F, 9th Marine	

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IN	OUT				
0230		1	190150H	Received 3 rounds recoilless rifle fire from suspected enemy position at YD 127687. Fired mission by 81's, with negative results.	S-F, 9th Marines
0655		2	190655H	Received 3 rounds recoilless rifle fire from YD 104701. Fired 81mm, 106's, and 160mm artillery on enemy position. Good coverage, unknown results.	S-F, 9th Marines
0720		3	190720H	Received 202 rounds of heavy artillery from YD 115785. Called in 175mm artillery mission on enemy position. 2 USMC KIA, 14 WIA's.	S-F, 9th Marines
0735		4	190735H	AO sighted troops in open at YD 102668. Ran fixed wing on enemy position, with unknown results.	S-F, 9th Marines
1140		5	191140H	Received 6 rounds incoming 60mm mortar from YD 104 699. Returned 81mm mission, with unknown results.	S-F, 9th Marines
1345		6	191345H	Received 18 rounds incoming 85 mm artillery Also receiving 82mm mortars. Total incoming rounds 72. 1 USMC KIA, 29 WIA's.	S-F, 9th Marines
2045		7	191735H	Received approximately 135 rounds incoming 82mm from YD 134716. Returned 81mm mission.	S-F, 9th Marines
2050		8	191920H	Company I, squad size patrol, found recoilless rifle fire from YD 114708, with 11 empty 82mm cannisters.	S-F, 9th Marines
2055		9	191920H	New TAOR's effective immediately, 2/9 area bounded by YD 695 up to MSR at YD 67 and 9th Marines battery to west. 2/4 area bounded by trace to (north) YD 115, YD 69 and MSR to west. 3/9 all area to north of 2/9 and 2/4 TAOR's. 3/4's area south from YD 67. All units conduct aggressive patrols and ambushes operations within TAOR's. Maximum distance from battalion: for patrols: company 1000 meters, platoon 500 meters. Maintain CP's same relative area to Con Thien.	S-F, 9th Marines

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IN	OUT				
0111		1.	200025H	Company I saw muzzle flashes at YD 107701 and called in 4.2 mortar mission, good coverage, flashes stoppages.	S-F, 9th Marine
0150		2	200040H	Company I saw movement in front of lines. Called for illumination while firing 60mm mortar HE. May be bangalore torpedo in wire. Will wait until morning to search area.	S-F, 9th Marine
0315		3	200152H	Began receiving heavy small arms, .50 machine gun, and 15 rounds 60mm mortar fire. Small arms fire coming from East, North, and West. 0200, Small arms fire has been reduced. Satchel charges into the wire. 0235, small arms fire ceased. Returned small arms, 81mm, 4.2, and 105mm fire. 0155, 4.2 mission received secondary explosion on active .50 machine gun. YD 106699. 0206, heavy machine gun knocked out by LAW TO north east. 3 USMC WIA's.	S-F, 9th Marine
0630		4	200630H	Wire sweep departed.	S-F
0745		5	200745H	Wire sweep returned.	S-F
0800		6	200740H	Search of area around Con Thien revealed foot prints in areas of probes. Also found .50 machine gun position (YD 116705) and one block of TNT.	S-F, 9th Marine
1030		7	201005H	Received 6 rounds incoming 82mm and 10 rounds incoming 60mm mortars from YD 107713. 106 fired 4 rounds HEPT at YD 107713 with multiple secondary explosions, white smoke and fire. 81mm and 4.2 mortar mission called. 1 USMC KIA, 22 USMC WIA's.	S-F, 9th Marine
1220		8	201210H	Received 9 rounds incoming 82mm mortar from unknown location. 5 USMC WIA.	S-F, 9th Marine
1420		9	201417H	Received 2 rounds incoming rocket from YD 054683. Requested general support artillery to take enemy under fire.	S-F, 9th Marine

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IN	OUT				
0504		1	210045H	Received small arms fire from northerly direction, and approximately 25 rounds 82mm mortar and approximately 6 rounds 82 recoilless rifle fire from YD 114705. Returned 81mm, 4.2mm, and artillery mission.	S-F, 9th Marines
0750		2	210715H	Received 12 rounds 85mm artillery from unknown rocket and artillery position at YD 053682. Called in artillery mission.	S-F, 9th Marines
0955		3	200900H	Search of wire around perimeter revealed 1 home made bangalore torpedo unexploded in wire to northeast and one new fighting hole north of wire (YD 111708).	S-F, 9th Marines
1225		4	211054H	Received 8 rounds 85mm artillery from YD 122642. Artillery mission called, with unknown results.	S-F, 9th Marines
1242		5	211201H	Received 7 rounds 60mm mortars from YD 110710. 81mm mission called, with unknown results. 3 USMC KIA.	S-F, 9th Marines
1603		6	211225H	Received 38 rounds heavy mortar, 108 rounds heavy artillery and heavy mortars. 20 rounds 82mm, 24 rounds 60mm, at least 3 rounds 120 mortar. Appeared to have delayed fuze. All incoming from: YD 113723 (Heavy Mortar), YD 072704 (Heavy Mortar), YD 108712 (82mm mortar), YD 107714 (60MM), YD 1283 (artillery). Returned 81mm, 4.2, and artillery missions. 1 USMC KIA, 55 WIA.	S-F, 9th Marines
1805		7	211805H	Received 95 rounds incoming rockets from hill. Called in artillery mission.	S-F, 9th Marines
1835		8	211835H	Observed 10 NVA at XM wearing flak jackets, and helmets. One NVA was carrying a machine gun. NVA were walking just inside tree-line. Called in 81mm mission, NVA scattered into trees dropping machine gun.	S-F, 9th Marines

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IN	OUT				
0001		1	220001H	Received 2 rounds of incoming 82mm from unknown location.	S-F, 9th Marine
0750		2	220730H	OP#1 reports receiving 3 rounds 82mm recoilless rifle fire from the west. 82's fired mission, incoming ceased.	S-F, 9th Marine
1245		3	220800H	Enemy OP (YD 109712) was spotted by Company I patrol while on wire sweep around perimeter. 81mm mortar mission fired, with unknown results.	S-F, 9th Marine
1250		4	221015H	Received 12 rounds 82mm recoilless rifle fire from YD 103699 and 14 rounds 60mm mortars from YD 109710. 81mm mortar mission fired, with unknown results.	S-F, 9th Marine
1635		5	221140H	Received 5 rounds incoming 82mm mortars Artillery mission with negative results. 7 USMC WIA's.	S-F, 9th Marine
1700		6	221325H	Received 50 rounds incoming artillery, estimated to be 85mm artillery. Returned 10 rounds 90mm. AO observed enemy position and called air strike. 6 USMC KIA, 38 WIA's.	S-F, 9th Marine
1700		7	221445H	Received 3 rounds 160mm or 120mm mortars and 11 rounds of artillery. Enemy located at YD 077748, and YD 140731. 13 USMC WIA.	S-F, 9th Marine
1705		8	221545H	Received 15 rounds 60mm incoming from unknown position.	S-F, 9th Marine
2025		9	221850H	Received 7 rounds incoming 82mm recoilless rifle fire, 60mm mortars, YD 091686. 60mm was firing at 2/9. 81mm mission called on recoilless, YD 103701, with secondary explosion. 90mm mission fired on 60mm, YD 091686, with one 60mm destroyed. (Prob)	S-F, 9th Marine
2045		10	222045H	I Company I patrol set in.	S-F

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IN	OUT				
0001		1	220001H	Received 2 rounds of incoming 82mm from unknown direction.	S-F
0705		2	220705H	Company L patrol leaves it's IP.	S-F
0750		3	220730H	OP#1 reports receiving 3 rounds 82mm recoilless rifle fire from west. 81's fire mission called. Mission, fired, incoming ceased.	S-F, 9th Marines
11245		4	220800H	Enemy OP at YD 109712 was spotted by Co. L patrol while on wire sweep around perimeter. 81mm mortar mission fired with unknown results.	S-F, 9th Marines
1250		5	221015H	Received 12 rounds 82mm recoilless from YD 103699 and 14 rounds 60mm mortar from YD 109710. 81mm mortar mission fired with unknown results.	S-F, 9th Marines
1635		6	221140H	Received 5 rounds incoming 82mm mortars. Artillery mission fired with negative results. 7 USMC WIA.	S-F
1700		7	221325H	Received 50 rounds incoming artillery, estimated to be 85mm artillery. Returned 10 rounds 90mm. AO observed enemy position and called air strike. 6 USMC KIA, 38 WIA.	S-F, 9th Marines
1700		8	221445H	Received 3 rounds 160mm or 120mm mortars and 11 rounds of artillery. Enemy located at YD 077748, and YD 140731. 13 USMC WIA.	S-F, 9th Marines
1705		9	221850H 221545H	Received 15 rounds 60mm mortar from unknown position.	S-F, 9th Marines
2025		10	221850H	Received 7 rounds incoming 82mm recoilless and 60mm mortars from YD 091686. 60mm was firing at 2/9. 81mm mission called on recoilless at YD 103701, with secondary explosion. 90mm mission fired on 60mm with one 60mm destroyed (Prob).	S-F, 9th Marines

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IN	OUT				
0850		1	230715H	Company I, squad size, patrol ambushed with command detonated explosive device and received 2 rounds small arms from YD 110705. Squad returned small arms and called 81mm mortar fire mission. 1 squad, one tank, and one twin 40mm dispatched to reinforce squad under attack. 81mm mortars laid down smoke screen and squad returned to CP. 2 USMC KIA, 2 WIA. 1 NVA KIA (Prob).	S-F, 9th Marines
0715		2	230703H	Enemy 82mm recoilless gun position (YD 099699) fired on E by 81mm mortar, with secondary explosion. 106mm recoilless rifle fired with direct hit. Recoilless gun and two NVA blown about 50 feet into air. 2 NVA KIA (Prob).	S-F, 9th Marines
1000		3	230926H	Received 5 rounds 82mm mortar from YD 103705, and small arms from YD 133740. 0931, received 5 rounds incoming 82mm from YD 106714. Returned 81mm missions with unknow results. 16 USMC WIA.	S-F, 9th Marines
1235		4	231225H	Received 4 rounds incoming 60mm from unknown location with 2 USMC WIA.	S-F, 9th Marines
1315		5	231010H	OP observed 14 NVA in open at YD 105684. Fired 81mm mission with unknow results. AO called fixed wing on target.	S-F, 9th Marines
2330		6	231415H	Received 11 rounds incoming 120mm mortar and 45 rounds heavy artillery. 120mm from YD 114712, and artillery from YD 1284. Returned 90mm mission. 49 USMC WIA.	S-F, 9th Marines
2335		7	231745H	Observed 82mm position (YD 123724), 81mm mortar mission fired. With one secondary explosion and fire started.	S-F, 9th Marines
2335		8	232115H	Bangalore torpedo blown, blew hole in outer perimeter wire. Fired LAW and called in 81's on suspected enemy position. Missions fired with negative results.	S-F, 9th Marines

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IN	OUT				
0125		1	240045H	Received 100 rounds .50 caliber machine gun from YD 102701 and one round 82 recoilless rifle from unknown direction. Called in 81mm mission on .50 caliber with unknown results.	S-F, 9th Marines
0210		2	240150H	Company M received 2 rounds 60mm from YD 111711. Called in 81mm fire mission with one secondary explosion.	S-F, 9th Marines
0237		3	240210H	Company M received 10 rounds 82mm from YD 109702. 81mm fire mission called, excellent coverage, unknown results.	S-F, 9th Marines
0600		4	240600H	Received 6 rounds artillery from unknown northerly position.	S-F, 9th Marines
1825		5	241115H	Received 4 rounds 60mm mortar from YD 113716 and 18 rounds from YD 105704/returned 81mm fire mission with unknown results. 106mm fire mission on YD 105704 destroyed an enemy bunker with 1 NVA KIA (Conf).	S-F, 9th Marines
1826		6	241310H	Received 30 rounds incoming rockets from YD 042684, 8 rounds heavy artillery, and two rounds 60mm mortar. 90mm mission of 9 rounds was fired on suspected rocket position and 81mm mortars on suspected 60mm at YD 108700, with unknown results. 1 USMC KIA, 26 USMC WIA.	S-F, 9th Marines
1835		7	241615H	Received 4 rounds heavy artillery from YD 1178 and 2 rounds 60mm from unknown location. Artillery mission fired, with unknown results.	S-F, 9th Marines
1930		8	241900H	Wire sweep received small arms fire and observed 3 NVA running toward tree line. Artillery fired 4.2 mission with one secondary explosion	S-F, 9th Marines
2219		9	242219H	Received 1 Bangalore torpedo and small arms fire south of OP#1. Fired 81mm mission, with unknown results.	S-F, 9th Marines

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0540		1	250540H	Received 12 rounds incoming 82mm from YD 103707. Called in 81mm and artillery mission, with unknow results.	S-F, 9th Marine
0715		2	250715H	Received 250 rounds incoming 120mm mortar, 82mm mortar, 120 spin rockets, 82mm recoilless rifle. 1 USMC KIA, 38 WIA.	S-F, 9th Marine
1030		3	250830H	Observed 1 NVA in partly destroyed bunker at YD 105704. Fired 4 rounds 106mm with all rounds on target. Bunker completely destroyed.	S-F, 9th Marine
0915		4	250850H	Active mortar from YD 111719, 81's mission fired with good coverage.	S-F, 9th Marine
0935		5	242226H	Bangalore torpedo in wire. Observed sparks in wire. 5 M-26 grenades thrown, fired hand illumination, torpedo exploded. Fired small arms, M-79, observed 5 NVA fall (5 NVA Prob).	S-F, 9th Marine
0920		6	250920H	Received 12 rounds artillery fire from northerly direction at YD 1284 and 18 rounds mortar 60mm from YD 135805. Active rockets observed at YD 125716, general artillery support requested. 81mm fire mission fired with unknown results.	S-F, 9th Marine
1117		7	251117H	Active mortar YD 111723 received 2 rounds 82mm. 81mm fired with unknown results.	S-F, 9th Marine
1130		8	251130H	Received 10 rounds 82mm from YD 1113712. Received 9 rounds 82mm recoilless and 6 large rounds with propaganda leaflets. Returned 81mm mission, with good coverage. Incoming ceased.	S-F, 9th Marine
1721		9	251615H	Received approximately 50 rounds artillery, mortar, and recoilless rifle fire. Artillery position reported at a northeasterly direction. mortar at YD 116739, recoilless rifle at YD 100710. 5 USMC WIA.	S-F, 9th Marines

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0750		1	260700H	Received 35 rounds incoming 82mm mortars Called in 81mm mortar fire mission. Fired 10 rounds with unknown results.		S-F, 9th Marines
1755		2	261700H	Received 4 rounds 82mm mortar from unknown location. 3 USMC WIA.		S-F, 9th Marines
1905		3	261825H	AO spotted one bunker, believed to be enemy CP bunker. Called artillery, damaged on enemy CP bunker.		S-F, 9th Marines
1932		4	261915H	OP#1 reports receiving 3 rounds incoming 82mm recoilless gun fire from YD 101699. Called in 81's fire mission and artillery fired 4 rounds 4.2. Incoming ceased. 1 WIA.		S-F, 9th Marines
1940		5	261940H	Company I patrol leaves IP.		S-F
1947		6	261947H	Company I patrol in ambush site.		S-F
2015		7	262015H	Wire Team inside perimeter.		S-F
2040		8	262040H	Company M and Company I's patrols left their IP's.		S-F
2210		9	262116H	Observed lights at YD 098737. 4.2 mission fired with two small and 4 large secondary explosions.		S-F, 9th Marines
2325		10	262210H	Received 20 rounds 120mm mortar from YD 125713 Called in 81mm mortar and 4.2 artillery mission.		S-F 9th Marines
2330		11	262330H	Had 2 bangalore torpedoes explode in wire at northern section of perimeter. Fired illumination, and continued to observe.		S-F, 9th Marines
2340		12	262340H	Received 32 rounds of 82 or 120mm mortar from YD 103703. Fired 82, with 7 secondary and 4.2 artillery with 3 secondary explosions 3 USMC WIA.		S-F, 9th Marines

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IN	OUT				
0112		1	020030H	Sent to 9th Marines from Commanding Officer 3d Battalion, 9th Marines. The following report is submitted concerning the unsatisfactory performance of 4.2mm battery, at this position, to support on call defensive fire. Enemy action this position at 012330H Oct 67, called for the firing of two 4.2mm defensive fire concentrations. Concentration were BX110 at YD 110705 and 029 at YD 100705. A total of 38 rounds were fired with 3 duds and one exploding round landing in this position. 81mm, for a dud percentage of 10.5%. This high dud rate percentage with 4.2mm is not an isolated case and is totally unsatisfactory for reliable defense fires required at this position. Request a 105mm howitzer battery be assigned this position with present 4.2mm battery.	S-F, 9th Mar.
0550		2	020455H	Received 1 round 82mm mortar from an unknown position.	S-F, 9th Mar.
0900		3	020847H	Received 3 rounds incoming propaganda leaflets and one round HE mortar FROM UNKNOWN.	S-F, 9th Mar.
0920		4	020905H	Received 6 rounds incoming 60mm mortar from YD 097705. Returned .50 machine gun and 3 rounds 106mm, with good coverage on target.	S-F, 9th Mar.
0940		5	020940H	Received 2 rounds incoming 60mm mortar from YD 100710. Returned 81mm mission with good coverage on target.	S-F, 9th Mar.
1010		6	020958H	Received one round incoming 60mm mortar from YD 107700. Returned 81mm mission with good coverage on target.	S-F, 9th Mar.
1130		7	021120H	Received 2 rounds incoming with air burst from what appeared to be 82mm recoilless gun from YD 100705 and YD 110712. 4.2mm and 81mm missions fired on targets, with unknown results. 2 USMC WIA.	S-F, 9th Mar.

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IN	OUT				M-Maps S-Staff
0315		1i	050315H	Coleman lantern exploded in bunker, entire bunker engulfed in flames. All occupants fled without casualties, efforts to extinguish fire was fruitless.	S-F, 9th Mar.
0845		2	050833H	Received 10 rounds incoming artillery from a northerly direction. 2 USMC WIA.	S-F, 9th Mar.
1000		3	050952H	Received 4 rounds recoilless 57mm or 82mm from YD 100699. Returned 14 rounds 81mm, with good coverage on target.	S-F, 9th Mar.
1205		4	051205H	Received 15 rounds 82mm mortar from YD 104714. and 5 rounds 82mm recoilless from YD 106709. 6 rounds 85mm artillery from a northerly direction. Returned 81mm mission on mortar and recoilless site. 1 USMC KIA, 9 USMC WIA.	S-F, 9th Mar.
1230		5	051230H	Received 3 rounds incoming 82mm mortar from unknown location, 2 USMC WIA.	S-F, 9th Mar.
1530		6	051530H	Received one round 60mm mortar and small arms fire from YD 102709. Returned .50 machine gun and 20 rounds 81mm mortar, with unknown results. 2 USMC WIA.	S-F, 9th Mar.
1800		7	051800H	AO reported 125yds. of trench line and 5 bunkers destroyed by air at YD 100702.	S-F, 9th Mar.
1909		8	051909H	Received 4 rounds 57mm recoilless rifle fire from YD 105704. Returned 81mm fire mission.	S-F, 9th Mar.
2135		9	052040H	Received 2 incoming 57mm recoilless rifle fire, from YD 106699, 119715, which landed in southerly direction from this position. Fired 81mm and 4.2 fire mission, with unknown results.	S-F, 9th Mar.

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IN	OUT				
0230		1	230200H	OP EVE (East) spotted movement about 20 meters in front of perimeter. Figure moving towards perimeter. Fired 20 rounds 5.56 and 1 round M-79. Called in 81mm illumination, fired 7 rounds illumination. And checked out area with negative results. Will search area at first light.	S-F, 3d Mar.
0245		2	230220H	Marine on watch heard movement in wire. Threw M-26, negative results. Will search area first light.	S-F, 3d Mar.
0400		3	230330H	Company I reports hearing rustling noise in bushes in front of one position. Threw one M-26, shot hand illum. Sounds indicate wounded animal. Will search area first light.	S-F, 3d Mar.
1010		4	230940H	Company M patrol at XD 032451 apprehended 2 NVA who had 782 gear, one star cluster, 300 piasters. Chopper called to evacuate to 3d Marines S-2.	S-F, 3d Mar.
1135		5	231110H	Company M Medevaced one K-9 due to unknown sickness.	S-F, 3d Mar.
1945		6	231825H	Company M reported that 6 rounds heavy artillery (155mm) fell on friendly village. Rounds were dispersed across 800 meters of the village. Rounds were fired from North-Northeast. 3 rounds appeared to impact at XD 043464. Checked with Artillery and with Camp J.J. CARROLL's artillery, with negative results as to who fired rounds. Due to distance to village, patrol impossible at this time.	S-F, 3d Mar.
2130		7	232530H	Company I patrol had man fall into draw, slight head injury. Patrol returned to IP at 2055 dropped man at BAS for check and observation. Patrol left the IP again at 2120.	S-F, 3d Mar.

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IN	OUT				M-Maps S-Staff	T-Troops F-File
0250		1	280145H	Company M reported movement 50 meters east of their position. The starlight scope revealed 2 infared devices at XD 013457. 60mm defensive fire, M-79 and frag grenades were employed. The 60mm defensive fire landed on the infa red and 2 men were observed being hit. 2-5 persons moved quickly to the northeast from above position. The area will be search at first light. 2 enemy KIA (Prob).	S-F, 3d Mar.	
1030		2	280145H	Search of area using scout dog found strong sent leading to rive at XD 016457. No blood trails were found, found trail leading to with 20 meters of position.	S-F, 3d Mar.	
2127		3	281230H	Company I squad patrol found possitive enemy position facing east at XD 958556. And covering 150 meters of fordable river downstream. The position approximately 20 meters above water level with excellent fields of fire. Bush cut level and rocks piled up as parapit. Fresh trails lead northeast and southwest. Position could hold 5 to 6 people, well concealed and aobut three days old. Area searched with negative results. Parapit destroyed, H&I fires planned.	S-F, 3d Mar.	
2350		4	282340H	Company L base defense heard noise and observed possitive movement at XD 982547. Threw one M-26 grenade, searched area with negative results.	S-F, 3d Mar.	

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