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		Hour	Date	Hour	Date
3-2/S-3 B-3 Inf	LZ THUNDER BS 874325	0001	3 DEC 68	2400	3 DEC 68
TIME	TIME				
HR	MIN	CUT	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	RESULTS
24	cont		Co B (-) BS7317, 1st plat BS831322; Co C BS803306.		
25	1200		(C) CAC extracted 1 US fr Co B to Doc Pho with a possible broken right hand. Ind hit hand on a 3/4 ton trk. SP/4 Bush, Denver U624306263, line 730.	31	JPC
26	1210		(C) Msg fr CO to Co C: Fr present loc send one plat SE to vic BS812293 to lay low for rest of day obs to W and NE. Plat will amb tonight vic BS820303. With Co (-) move into valley which has center of mass at BS795312, and search valley which has center of mass at BS- 787311. Move back to NDP loc vic BS- 803309. Msg acknowledged at 1215H.	Co C notified	JPC
27	1300		(C) Bn SITREP neg; loc; Co A BS802358; Co D LZ CHARLIE BROWN; Co B closing LZ THUNDER 1250H; Co C BS803306; Rcn same.	DO	JPC
28	1400		(C) Bn SITREP neg; loc; Co A BS787365; Co B LZ THUNDER; Co C (-) BS795312, 3rd plat BS808300; Co D (-) LZ CHARLIE BROWN, 3rd plat departed HAROSTAND at 1350H; Rcn same.	BDE, DO, M	JPC

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				From 0001	Date 3 DEC 68	To 2400	Date 3 DEC 68
ITEM NR	TIME IN CUT		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.		ACTION TAKEN	INT- IALS	
	IN	CUT					
29	1420		(C) Msg fr LTC Russell (Bn CO) to CO of Co D: Get security out & also a life guard for men, fr Co D, swimming. Get men, fr Co D, out of the vill, which is off limits. Get some men working to improve bunker positions on LZ CHARLIE BROWN. Get all VN off the island.		CO Co D notified		
30	1430		(C) 4.2 ammo rpt called into Bde.		DO	JPC	
31	1500		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A in NDP at BS799366; Co B LZ THUNDER; Co C (-) & wpns plat BS803308, 1st & 2nd plat BS-793315, 3rd plat BS811296; Co D 3rd plat moved out at 1435H.		DO	JPC	
32	1530		(C) Recd intell rpt fr Bde S2: (see S2 files).		DO, S2	LAC	
33	1545		(C) Co C 1st & 2nd plats engaged 1 VC with wpn at BS793314. VC evaded, Co C ele still searching area.		DO, S3	LAC	
34	1600		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same except Co A loc at BS794361; Co D 3rd plat loc at BS905238.		BDE, DO	LAC	
35	1700		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co's A & B same;		DO	LAC	
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				0001	3 DEC 68	2400	3 DEC 68	
45	1930		LZ THUNDER BS874325	(C) Co D 3rd plat BS912238 & BS900251, 2nd plat 1st sqd on Bridge 94.	DO, BDE		LAC	
46	1940			(C) Co A NDP BS794364, 1st plat amb loc 790365, 2nd plat BS796360, 3rd plat BS796368.	DO, BDE		LAC	
47	2000			(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	DO		LAC	
48	2005			(C) Recd intell rpt fr Bde S2: (see S2 files).	DO, S2		LAC	
49	2005			(C) Co A ambs in psn; Co B 3rd plat amb loc BS860309; not in psn.	DO, BDE		LAC	
50	2020			(C) Co B amb in psn at this time.	DO, BDE		LAC	
51	2040			(C) Recd intell rpt fr Bde S2: (see S2 files).	DO		LAC	
52	2100			(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	DO		LAC	
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53	2200			(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	DO		LAC	
54	2210			(C) Recd intell rpt fr Bde S2: (see S2 files).	DO		LAC	
55	2300			(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE, DO		DAM	
56	2310			(C) Msg fr Bde: MACV rpts an ele (US)	DO, Co D cont		DAM	

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S-2/S-3	4-3 Inf		LZ THUNDER BS874325	0001	4 DEC 68	2400	4 DEC 68
ITEM NR	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.			ACTION TAKEN	
37	1950		(C) Co D rptd Saw Win ARVN camp hit to- day by plat size ele of VC. Time of in- cident 1500H. Wpns used in incident AK-50, AK-47, M-79, M-16, and mach guns (type unk).			BDE, CO, S3	EET
38	1950		(C) Co D rpts est VC sqd at coord BS920- 171 and BS919182.			BDE, CO, S3	EET
39	1955		(C) Co D rpts info fr ARVN's: the 406 NVA Bn and 119 NVA Bn at BS889271 to BS889200.			BDE, CO, S3	EET
40	2000		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.			BDE	EET
41	2005		(C) Co B 2nd plat amb in psn at coord BS877312.			BDE	EET
42	2045		(C) Co A ambs in psn. Sites are: 1st sqd 1st plat BS861358, 1st sqd 2nd plat BS862353, 1st sqd 3rd plat BS865363.			BDE	EET
43	2050		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.			BDE	EET
44	2150		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.			BDE	EET
45	2150		(C) Fr Bde: MACV rpts VC Sapper unit in areas BS870312 and BS882304.			DO	EET
46	2150		(C) MACV rpts friendlies building dam at BS811360. Working hrs 0830H to 1700H.			DO	EET

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ITEM NR	TIME		RECEIPTS, MESSAGES, ORD TS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INT. TRIALS
	IN	OUT			
47	2240		(C) Recd rpt fr Bde: 81mm ammo lot no. KN-7-115-68 is defective.	CO, S3, DO Co's A, B, C, D	DN
48	2300		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	DO, DO	DN
49	2301		(C) Msg fr Bde: SPC Atwater is to be picked up at LZ THUNDER MLT 0700H by CAC and taken to FSB CORK.	4.2, DO	DN
50	2345		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	SUE, DO	DN
51	2353		(C) Radar spotted 2 pers at BS841315. 4.2 will fire on target.	DO	DN
52	LOG Summary:		4-3 Inf continued security and offensive sweep opns in the 3 Duc Pho AB. Co A closed LZ BRONCO and stood as a reaction force to support Bn opn. Co A departed LZ BRONCO late in afternoon and NDP'd at BS857361 with amb in vic. At 1230H Co B, w/1cn QPGON, Co C and B Trp 1st CAV conducted a coordinated Mechanized and airmobile opn to cordon and sweep area N of LZ THUNDER. Co B with B Trp moved N up the beach to establish three blocking psns at BS849366, BS852371, BS857376. Co B (-)swept area fr the S while Co C blocked fr three loc after conducting a combat assault into LZ's at BS859355, BS861349, and BS865344. Res of the opn which terminated at 1730H were 2 VC KIA, and 5 VGS. Co D continued security of LZ CHARLIE BROWN and opns cont		

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LZ THUNDER (BS874325) N
091300H DEC 68
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Reference: Maps, South Vietnam; 1:50,000; Series L7014; Sheets 6738I, 6738II,
6838III, and 6838IV.

(C) Task Org:

A/4-3 Inf	HHC (-)/4-3 Inf
B/4-3 Inf	Battalion Control
C/4-3 Inf	A/6-11th Arty (DS)
D/4-3 Inf	C/6-11th Arty (DS)
E/4-3 Inf	C/3-18th Arty (GS)

1. SITUATION:

a. Enemy forces: Current INTSUM (see intelligence).

b. Friendly Forces:

(1) On order 11th Bde conducts operations with two (2) Bns West
of LZ BRONCO.

(2) 3-1 Inf

(3) 1-20 Inf

(4) 4-21 Inf

(5) 6-11th Arty

(6) C/3-18th Arty

c. Attachments and detachments: Task Org.

d. Assumptions:

(1) Enemy is capable of launching sustained attack in the Duc Pho
AO at any time of his own choice with not more than one (1) regiment.

(2) Enemy is capable of conducting continuous harassing operations
throughout the entire Duc Pho AO.

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(3) Helicopters will be available for limited lift capability.

2. MISSION:

On order 4-3 Inf assumes responsibility for Duc Pho AO.

3. EXECUTION:

a. Concept of operation: On order 4-3 Inf airlifts Company C from LZ BRONCO to LZ LIZ, Company D from LZ THUNDER to LZ DRAGON, Company B assumes responsibility for LZ CHARLIE BROWN, Company A responsibility for LZ THUNDER, Recon plat Company E will assume responsibility for operations around LZ BRONCO. Fires will be on call.

b. Co A.

c. Co B.

d. Co C.

e. Co D.

f. Co E: Heavy mortar plat will be GS LZ THUNDER, GS section GS LZ THUNDER.

g. Coordinating instructions.

(1) Companies will conduct local patrolling and night ambushes around their LZ every day and night.

(2) Units maintain and update lift requirements for personnel and equipment daily and inform this Hq's of any changes.

(3) Effective for planning on receipt; for execution on order.

h. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS:

a. See current ADMIN.

b. Resupply by airlift on request.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL:

a. Signal.

(1) Current SOI in effect.

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Hour 0001 Date 11 DEC 68

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				Hour	Date	
01	0001		(U) JOURNAL OPENED			
02	0015		(C) Msg to swift boats fr Bn CO: Work E and W coord 28 - 35.	CO,S3,DO		DW
03	0020		(C) (late Entry): At 0010H msg to Co D fr Bn CO: All comdr's will enjoin every member of this command to adhere to the following: a.) No burning of hooches un- less it is ordered by the Bn CO. b.) Mistreatment of prisoners will not be tolerated. All VN pers, to include PW's WB treated fairly with respect and gent- leness. c.) Indiscriminate firing of wpns at indigenous pers or into hooches will not be tolerated.	Co D,DO		DW
04	0030		(C) Msg to Co C: Loc of amb pos BS722- 471 & BS723456. Move 111000H DEC 68.	Co C,DO		DW
05	0100		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE,DO		DW
06	0200		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE,DO		DW
07	0200		(C) (Late Entry): At 0105H Co B's 81mm caught a hooch on fire by accident.	DO		DW
08	0220		(C) Grid BS820395 cleared with flare ship for flares.	DO		DW
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09	0300		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.					BN, DO
10	0400		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.					BN
11	0500		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.					BN
12	0600		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.					BN
13	0645		(C) Co A 3rd plat closed on LZ THUNDER.					JPC
14	0745		(C) Co A (-) started moving for todays op at this time.					JPC
15	0750		(C) Co C 3rd plat closed on LZ LZ.					JPC
16	0800		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A (-) base of LZ THUNDER, 3rd plat same; Co B (-) & Rn LZ CHARLIE BROWN, 1st plat B3917- 253, 1st sqd 3rd plat Bridge 94; Co C LZ LZ; Co D (-) LZ DRAGON, 3rd plat LZ THUNDER.					JPC
17	0810		(C) Co D 1st plat moved out for todays op at this time.					JPC
18	0825		(C) Co B req DUTOFF at coord B3929220 for VII boy with 3rd degree burns. Compl at 0850H.					JPC
19	0835		(C) Air Force called; putting air strike B3-Air, Co at coord B3855235. Bomb damage assess- ment neg.					A

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20	0900							
			(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A (-) BS841-319, 3rd plat same; Co B (+) LZ CHARLIE BROWN, 3rd plat closed LZ CHARLIE BROWN at 0830H; Co C same; Co D (-) same, 1st plat BS715525.			DO	JPC	
21	0930							
			(C) Co A coord BS844315 fd (1) NVA ruck sack, (1) rice sack, (3) NVA shirts, (1) soft cap, (13) M-16 mags with ammo, (2) ammo cans, (1) NVA canteen, docu, (1) hammock, (2) med kits compl, (14) rds M-14, (1) NVA pair of pants, (1) US gren (old type), (1) Chi Comm gren, (4) M-1 clips with ammo, (2) 15 rd mags for Carbine, (1) 105mm dud rd, (1) pair VN boots, (20) punji sticks (12 to 14 inches long), (1) 155mm dud rd, and (1) M-26 frag gren.	BDE, CO, S3		JPC		
22	1000							
			(C) Bn SITREP neg; loc; Co A (-) BS844-315, 3rd plat same; Co A wpns plat at MT MONTEZUMA; Co B (-) & Rcn same, 1st plat BS903266; Co C same; Co D (-) LZ DRAGON, 1st plat BS675548.	BDE, DO		JPC		

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	IN	OUT			
23	1100		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A all elms same; Co B (-) & Rcn same, 1st plat RS-898263; Co C same; Co D (-) same, 1st plat RS693548.	DO	JPC
24	1200		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A all elms same; Co B (-) & Rcn same, 1st plat same, 2nd plat RS899257; Co C same; Co D (-) same, 1st plat RS693563.	EDB, DO	JPC
25	1215		(C) Rec intel repts fr Bde S2: (see S2 files).	DO, S2	JPC
26	1250		(C) Co A at RS831324 fd (1) Chi Com gren and will blow it in place.	DO	JPC
27	1300		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A (-) RS829-324, 3rd plat same; Co B (-) & Rcn same, 1st plat RS906253; Co's C & D same.	DO	JPC
28	1400		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A all elms same; Co B (-) & Rcn same, 1st plat RS-896263; Co C same; Co D (-) same, 1st plat RS694563.	EDB, DO	JPC
29	1410		(C) Co C 1st & 2nd plat departing LZ LIZ at this time.	DO	JPC
30	1420		(C) Rec intel rept fr Bde S2: (see S2 files).	DO, S2	JPC

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	IN	OUT			
31	1445		(C) 4.2 ammo rept called into Bde.	DO	JPC
32	1515		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A (-) BS840- 310, 1st plat BS841300, 3rd plat same; Co B (-) & Rcn same, 1st plat BS905257; Co C (-) LZ LZ, 1st plat BS733440, 2nd plat BS738438; Co D (-) same, 1st plat BS705552.	DO	EET
33	1540		(C) Co D at BS715545 rec AW fire req gunships. Arty WB used instead of gun ships. Notified 1st plat Co D.	BDE,DO	EET
34	1550		(C) At BS715545 Co D 1st plat detained 3 MAM at 1545H. One MAM 65 yrs old & one 60, both with ID's, and one 18-20 yrs old neg ID.	BDE,DO	EET
35	1614		(C) At BS748480 C&C app 1 M VCS and took indiv to LZ BRONCO.	BDE,DO	EET
36	1615		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A (-) BS845- 308, 1st plat BS841300; Co B all elms same; Co C all elms same; Co D (-) same, 1st plat BS715545.	BDE,DO	EET
37	1630		(C) CH-47B's to airlift 1 plat fr Co B & Rcn to LZ BRONCO.	BDE,S3,DO	EET

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38	1655	(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A (-) closed LZ THUNDER at 1630H; Co B (-) LZ CHARLIE BROWN, 2nd plat & Rcn LZ BRONCO; Co C (-) same, 1st plat BS735455, 2nd plat BS735444; Co D LZ DRAGON, 1st plat closed LZ DRAGON at 1650H.	0001	11 DEC 68	2400	11 DEC 68
39	1710	(C) Task Force PRYOR airlift: PZ LZ CHARLIE BROWN 1710H - LZ LZ BRONCO 1720H			DO	EET
40	1800	(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A same; Co B (-) same, 2nd plat & Rcn same, 1st plat BS905264; Co C (-) same, 1st plat BS735- 455, 2nd plat BS735444; Co D same.			BDE,DO	EET
41	1850	(C) Rec PF amb loc for night & day.			Posted	EET
42	1855	(C) Bn strength rept: Co A 108, Co B (+ 1h6, Co C 111, Co D 122, Co E (-)33			Posted	EET
43	1900	(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc, same.			BDE,DO	EET
44	1905	(C) At BS935203 Co B fired on two (2) fishing boats and got two (2) hits on one boat. Fishing boats evaded to SE with swift boats in pursuit.			BDE,DO	EET
45	1920	(C) Co C 2nd plat in amb pos at BS7294- 48; Co B 2nd sqd 3rd plat on Bridge 94.			DO	EET

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46	1936		(C) Co A 1st plat amb in pos at BS844282		DO		EET
47	1950		(C) Co C 1st plat 1st & 2nd sqd at BS- 730469.		DO		EET
48	2000		(C) Co D 2nd plat amb in pos at BS721449.	DO			EET
49	2025		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.		BDE,DO		EET
50	2025		(C) All amb pos called into Bde.		DO		EET
51	2030		(C) Rec intel rept fr Bde S2: (see S2 files rept #1).		S2,DO		EET
52	2030		(C) Co B amb site 1st plat at BS902267 and BS906267.		BDE,DO		EET
53	2035		(C) Rec intel rept fr Bde S2: (see S2 files rept #2).		DO,CO,S3		EET
54	2100		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.		BDE,S3,DO		EET
55	2100		(C) Task Force PRYOR unable to get past gate at LZ BRONCO at this time.		BDE,CO,S3,DO		EET
56	2105		(C) Ref item #55: Now enroute to loc.		BDE,CO,S3		EET
57	2110		(C) SA fire heard by Co C coming fr village of Kim Goia, BS773430.		BDE,CO,S3,DO		EET
58	2120		(C) Co B repts they fired M-79 & M-60 rds into two (2) boats. Swift boat elm after boats unable to catch them. Co B req three (3) KIA's. Will check for boats in morning.		BDE,CO,S3		EET

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59	2135		(C) (Late Entry): TF PRYOR route of march was called into Bde at 1830H by CPT Jones (Bn DO). March is fr BS803-373 to BS730325; Clear fire on both sides for 1500 M. Clear grids are: 7231, 7736, 7236, and 7731.			BDE, CO, S3, DO	BET
60	2150		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.			BDE, S3, DO	BET
61	2200		(C) TF PRYOR crossed 1st check point.			DO	BET
62	2300		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.			BDE, DO	BET
63	2300		(C) TF PRYOR crossed check point #2.			S3, DO	BET
64	2350		(C) TF PRYOR crossed check point #3.			DO	BET
65	2353		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.			BDE, DO	BET
66	2355		(C) Radar repts 3 pers heading N at BS-899317. Swift boats are checking area out.			DO	DN
67	LOG Summary:		4-3 Inf continued security and offensive sweep ops in S Duc Pho AO. Effective 110600H DEC 68 4-3 Inf assumed responsibility for the N Duc Pho AO. Co A conducted sweep W of LZ THUNDER. Co B continued security of LZ CHARLIE BROWN and ops in AO YELLOW. Co C assumed responsibility for LZ LIZ. Co C conducted sweep W of LZ LIZ. Co D assumed responsibility for LZ DRAGON and conducted sweep W of				
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01	0001		(B) JOURNAL CROSSED				
02	0002		(C) Co C-repts that their 1st plat at 0050-69 is receiving sniper fire and that VC set off trip flares. Co C calling in Arty.	0002,00		0002,00	
03	0020		(C) Ref item #02: Sniper fire ceased.	0002,00		0002,00	
04	0050		(C) Ref item #02: Trip flares on N and S of Co C were set off simultaneously. Co C responded with M-26 grens & 16-79 fire, also 24 rds Arty.	0002,00		0002,00	
05	0100		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same. Co C 1st plat at 0050-66.	0002,00		0002,00	
06	0115		(C) TF PRYOR crossed check point #4.	00		00	
07	0115		(C) Neg fr Bde: Conserve flares on flare ship.	00		00	
08	0140		(C) TF PRYOR at 0050-66.	00		00	
09	0140		(C) TF PRYOR rec H&I fire close to their pos. Checkfire of H&I was confirmed at 0150H.	00,00		00,00	
10	0150		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	0002,00		0002,00	
11	0150		(C) Flare ship rec'd hvy AW fire fr 6 or 7 wps at 0050-66. One (1) door gunner hit.	0002,00		0002,00	
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9-2/3-3 4-3 Inf		I2 P UNDER BS874325	0001	12 DEC 68	2400	12 DEC 68		
12	0205	(C) Rde called: Relay to swift boats to check out EW coord BS816475. 28 camp fires spotted.			DO		DW	
13	0210	(C) Msg sent to Rde at 0200H: Req 6 APC's to support plat of Co A moving S on RED HILL to BS895271 121800H DEC 68. WB released at 121900H DEC for return to IZ HILL. This msg is a fol up on a intel rept fr Rde 32.			BDE,DO		DW	
14	0230	(C) Previous plot on 2nd plat Co D was erroneous. Corrected plot BS727513.			DO		DW	
15	0230	(C) Ref item #12: Res of search: 28 fires rept'd by Rde fd to be fires set by swift boats at 1500H to 1700H. Swift boat pers had burned some sampans and hooches in that area.			BDE,DO		DW	
16	0300	(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.			BDE,DO		DW	
17	0330	(C) TF PRIOR at BS771359.			DO		DW	
18	0400	(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same. Neg contact with MPC amb at this time.			BDE,DO		DW	
19	0500	(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.			BDE,DO		DW	
20	0600	(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.			BDE,DO		DW	

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			From	To	Hour	Date	Hour
S-2/5-3 4-3 Inf	LZ THUNDER BS874325		0001	13 DEC 68	2400	13 DEC 68	
ITEM	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.			ACTION TAKEN	
77	cont		to be a storage tunnel. Will check out thoroughly in daylight.				
78	2335		(C) Generator running lights in mess hall will remain on in order for the cooks to prepare baking for change of command ceremony 15 DEC 68.			DO	DW
79	2355		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same. Neg contact with RHC amb.			BDE, DO	DW
80	LOG Summary		4-3 Inf continued security and offensive sweep ops in N & S Duc Pho AO. Co A continued security of LZ THUNDER. Co A established two (2) blocking pos at BS810314 to BS826309. ARVN's conducted sweep fr N to S into Co A blocking pos. At 0900H at BS825324 Co A engaged 7 to 8 VC evading to N. Res one (1) VC F WIA. DUSTOFF was compl for WIA at 0930H. Co A wounded one M but unable to find him. Co B continued security of LZ CHARLIE BROWN and ops in AO YELLOW. At 1800H 3rd plat Co B departed LZ CHARLIE BROWN with plat of APC's fr E Trp 1st CAV to search vil at BS894271. Co B 3rd plat found many bunkers and tunnels at base of hill to N of vil. Co C continued security of LZ LIZ and ops to W of LZ LIZ. Co D continued security of LZ DRAGON. One (1) plat conducted sweep W of LZ DRAGON. At 1100H 1st plat Co D rec'd AW fire				
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Organization or Installation			Location		Period Covered			
ITEM	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	From		To		INTL. TRIALS
	HR	MIN		CUT	Hour	Date	Hour	
01	0001		(U) JOURNAL OPENED					
02	0015		(C) HHC amb rep'td that flares were light ing up their pos and req a halt.					DW
03	0100		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.					DW
04	0115		(C) Generator man (PFC Parrines) states SFC Carey (Commo) told him to run genera- tor all night. Ref item #78 (Daily Staff Journal 13 DEC 68).					DW
05	0200		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.					DW
06	0300		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.					DW
07	0400		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.					DW
08	0430		(C) Flare ship req for a check fire in zone #1. Checkfire approved.					DW
09	0500		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.					DW
10	0600		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.					DW
11	0700		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.					JPC
12	0725		(C) HHC amb closed LZ BRONCO.					JPC
13	0800		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A (-) moving out for todays op, 3rd plat base of LZ THUNDER, wpns plat MT MONTEZUMA; Co B (-) LZ CHARLIE BROWN, 1st plat Brg 94; Co C (-) LZ LIZ, 1st plat B87b6458, 2nd plat					JPC
								Downgraded at 3yr Declassified after 11
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TIME	TIME		LZ THUNDER BS874325	From		To	
	IN	OUT		Hour	Date	Hour	Date
1300	0820		BS760432, 3rd plat BS717428; Co D (-)	0001	11 DEC 68	2400	11 DEC 68
			LZ DRAGON, 2nd plat BS741525.				
14	0820		(C) HELIX spotted smoke fr camp fires at BDE, CO, S2 coord BS790310 and BS790202. Arty called				JPC
			in.				
15	0840		(C) Co A at coord BS883317 rept'd that BDE, DO pers in that area say VC were in vil try				JPC
			ing to collect rice taxes.				
16	0900		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A (-) BS879- 318; Co B same; Co C 1st plat BS745450,				JPC
			2nd plat BS767438, 3rd plat same; Co D				
			2nd plat BS692528.				
17	0910		(C) Ref item #15: HELIX at coord BS797- 281 rept's that Arty fire got (1) second-				JPC
			ary explosion, smoke went approx 75 ft				
			up in air.				
18	0930		(C) Co A 3rd plat closed LZ THUNDER at				JPC
			0950H.				
19	1000		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A (-) BS894- 315, 3rd plat same; Co B 3rd plat depart-				JPC
			ed LZ CHARLIE BROWN for todays op, 1st				
			plat closed LZ CHARLIE BROWN 0955H; Co C				
			cont				

Organization or Installation			Location		Period Covered			
ITEM	TIME	ACT			From		To	
			Hour	Date	Hour	Date		
			LZ THUNDER BS874325	0001 14 DEC 68	2400	14 DEC 68		
19	cont		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.				ACTION TAKEN	NOTES
20	1000	(C) TF PRYOR coord BS773362 spotted 1 VC plat same; Co D 2nd plat BS712536.					EDB, CO, 33	JPC
		evading into a small tunnel. Gren thrown into tunnel res 1 VC KIA, neg wpn/docu.						
21	1005	(C) Msg fr Bde: PF's WB guarding a dam coord BS806354 & BS801346 between 0900H a 1700H on 14, 15, 16 DEC 68.					DO	JPC
22	1020	(C) Co C 2nd plat closed LZ LZ.					DO	JPC
23	1101	(C) TF PRYOR coord BS785365 hit a mine (type unk). Pcs (1) WIA (3) WIA all fr Co B. WIA line #132, Sanabia, Oscar E. PFC RAM183797. WIA (urgent) line #16 Fesley, Thomas C. Sgt US52967183. WIA (urgent) line #16, Yeske, Wayne A. PFC US56508978. WIA (priority) line #32, Gale, Lee E. SP4 US54622673. MUSTOFF req 1101H, compl at 1103H.				EDB, CO, 33, 32	JPC	
24	1102	(C) Pn STREP neg.: loc; Co A (-) BS896- 305, 3rd plat same; Co B 3rd plat BS913- 258; Co C 1st plat closed LZ LZ 105H, 3rd plat same; Co D 2nd plat BS600526.					DO	JPC

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ITEM	TIME		INCIDENCE, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	From		To	
	IN	OUT		Hour	Date	Hour	Date
3-2/3-3 4-3 Inf			12 THUNDER B3874325	0001	14 DEC 68	2100	14 DEC 68
25	1111		(C) Co A coord B3896305 found radio rec smoke grens, and pictures in a hooch.			BOB, DO	JPC
26	1150		(C) Ref item 23: WIA evacuated.			DO	JPC
27	1150		(C) Co A coord B3897304 found (1) 105mm rd and dest in place.			BDE, DO	JPC
28	1200		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A (-) B3897- 304; Co B 3rd plat B3913258; Co C 3rd plat B3717428; Co D 2nd plat B3684536.			BDE, DO	JPC
29	1225		(C) TF PRYOR engaged 1 VC evading at B3- 786368. Res 1 VC WIA. WIA being dusted off, compl at 1230H.			BDE, DO, S3	JPC
30	1230		(C) MACV Maj Garcia: RF Co 115 repts VC plat to co size elm loc at B3682311. Info passed to Co A and they will move to that loc.			BDE, S3, Co A	JPC
31	1300		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A (-) B3893- 305; Co B 3rd plat B3913258; Co C 3rd plat same; Co D 2nd plat same.			DO	JPC
32	1305		(C) Co A coord B3892305 rec'd hvy M- fire (AK-47). Believed to be a sniper firing to distract attn fr larger force. Neg cas, gunships called on stand by.			BDE, DO, S3, S2	JPC

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				From	Hour	Date	To
S-2/3-3 4-3 Inf			LZ THUNDER BS874325	0001	1h	DEC 68	2100
ITEM	TIME						
IN	OUT						
			INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.				RE- ACTIONS TAKEN: TRIALS
33	1305		(C) T-7 DIVOT closed LZ BRONCO.			DO	JPC
34	1315		(C) Msg fr Bde: US mine field at vic BS781366.			DO, S2	JPC
35	1400		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A (-) BS880- 313; Co B 3rd plat BS916252, 2nd sqd 3rd plat BS911253; Co C 3rd plat BS710427; Co D 2nd plat BS695538.			DO, DO	JPC
36	1405		(C) Co D coord BS695538 hit pressure type 82mm mine but it did not go off. Rest mine in place.			DO, DO	JPC
37	1420		(C) Bde Comdr (Col Donaldson) in CIC spotted (3) separate grave sites. 5 graves at BS710433, 1 grave at BS710436, and 1 grave at BS710431.			DO, DO	JPC
38	1426		(C) Co D coord BS695541 rec'd fire fr 2 AM pos with neg cas.			DO, DO	JPC
39	1426		(C) Co A coord BS676315 WIA 1 VC P evad- ing. Also at same coord found 1 M-1 clip and 5 expended rds. BUSTOFF compl at 1450H for WIA.			DO, DO	JPC
40	1442		(C) 4.2 armo rep't called into Bde.			DO	JPC
41	1500		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A (-) BS878-			DO	RET
						cont	

Organization or Installation	Location	Period Covered			
		From Hour	Date	To Hour	Date
3-2/3-3 4-3 Jar	LZ THUNDER BS674325	0001	14 DEC 68	2100	14 DEC 68
ITEM NR	TIME IN	OUT	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INT- IALS
41	cont		315 center of mass; Co B 3rd plat BS911- 253, all other elms same; Co C 3rd plat BS710133; Co D all elms same.		
42	1525		(C) Co A (-) closed LZ THUNDER at 1520H.	DO	EST
43	1530		(C) Ref item #30: VC PIA was running approx 200 M away fr mine incident.	DO	EST
44	1540		(C) Co D 2nd plat elm rec'd sniper fire then AI fire at BS705549.	BS6,DO	EST
45	1545		(C) At BS92312 Co A 1st plat spotted an unk size of VC with 1 carbine and 10- 12 ammo. Checked with MACV and they stated neg PF's in area.	BS6,DO	EST
46	1600		(C) On SITREP neg: loc; Co A 1st plat BS684312, all other elms same; Co B 3rd plat (-) BS911253, 1st sqd BS905253, all other elms same; Co C (L) 2 3rd plat BS- 715132, all other elms same; Co D 2nd plat BS713538, all other elms same.	BS6,DO	EST
47	1630		(C) (late Entry): Ref item #29 (Daily Staff Journal 12 DEC 68): Fr T/2 PAYOR: At BS765350 found base camp with 14 hooch- es, 900 lbs rice, 600 lbs salt, 60 misc	DO cont	EST

Organization or Installation			Location	Period Covered			
ITEM	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	From		To	
	HR	MIN		Hour	Date	Hour	Date
47	cont		<p>pieces cloth & unif, many sand & burlap bags, A frames with baskets, 10 Chi Com gren, 2 M-26 gren, 2 med kits. All hooches had tunnels 10 to 15 M long by 3 ft wide by 4 ft high. Numerous trails with several freshly cut trails heavily used.</p> <p>Estimated supply trans point. Recommend 2 days hence (14 - 16 DEC 68) zone sweep or air strike. Also 15-16 men sleeping tunnels at BS769349 (see map with tunnels BS769344). Bunkers in area BS745340 to BS753340 to BS753348. At BS755343 along trail homemade booby traps. Pointed sticks in direction of traps.</p>				
48	1650		(c) At BS710433 Co C 3rd plat dug up graves (ref item #37). In graves were 5 bodies all mil age. 2 F and 3 M all had normal VM cloth on. Cause of death could not be determined due to length of time bodies had been buried. Bodies were hardly identifiable.		DO		EST
49	1700		(c) Bn STREP neg: loc; Co A 1st plat		DO		EST
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				From	To	Hour	Date
3-2/3-3 4-3 Inf			LZ THUNDER RS874325	0001	14 DEC 68	2100	14 DEC 68
TIME	IN	OUT	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORD TS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	IN- TIALS		
42 cont			RS87310, 3rd plat LZ BRONCO; Co B (-) LZ CHARLIE BROWN, 2nd plat LZ BRONCO, 3rd plat RS912252; Co C all elms LZ LZ; Co D 3rd plat LZ BRONCO, all other elms LZ DRAGON. Co E (-) LZ THUNDER, Rcn LZ BRONCO.				
50 1600			(c) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A 1st plat moving to amb at RS901309; Co B 3rd plat RS912252, 2nd sqd 1st plat Brg 94; Co C 1st plat LZ BRONCO, 3rd plat RS715425; Co D 1st plat moving to amb site.	BDE, DO	EET		
51 1645			(c) Rec PT amb loc for day & night.	Posted	EET		
52 1645			(c) Bn strength rept: Co A 96, Co B 109, Co D 113, Co C 120, Co E 68.	Posted	EET		
53 1900			(c) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE, DO	EET		
54 1955			(c) Rept'd amb sites to, Pde.	DO	EET		
55 2000			(c) LT Frazier (Bde AVN) called: C&C will arrive at 0700H.	S3, DO	EET		
56 2000			(c) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE, DO, S3	EET		
57 2005			(c) At 1950H at RS729518 Co D, 1st sqd 2nd plat, heard movement to their w. They also rec'd 1 gren with neg cas. Elm moved back to LZ DRAGON.	BDE, S-3, DO	EET		

Organization or Installation			Location LZ THUNDER RS874325	Period Covered			
ITEM	TIME HR	TIME IN		From Hour	To Hour	Date	Date
58	2100		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	0001	14	DEC 68	2400 14 DEC 68
59	2130		(C) Co A 3rd plat amb at RS797372.				
60	2200		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.				
61	2300		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.				
62	2340		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.				
63	2340		(C) At 2100H Co B 81mm and Navy pers on HARDSTAND were firing illumination rds and some rds hit vil at Sa Huynh. The rds burnt three hooches and killed 3 pers. It is undetermined which rd did damage. Co B will make a thorough investigation.				
64	LOG Summary:		b-3 Inf continued security and offensive sweep ops in the N & S Duc Pho AO. Co A conducted offensive sweep SE of LZ THUNDER. At 1425H Co A wounded a VC P evading at coord. B Co B continued to secure LZ CHARLIE BROWN and conduct ops in AO YELLOW. Co C continued to secure LZ LIZ and conducted sweep W of LZ LIZ. Co D continued to secure LZ DRAGON and conducted sweep W of LZ DRAGON. TF PRYOR conducted sweep into LZ BRONCO. At 1000H TF PRYOR KIA 1 VC who evaded into tunnel. VC was KIA with gren. At 1101H TF PRYOR elm hit an unk type mine or booby trap resulting in 1 US KIA and 3 US WIA. At 1225H TF PRYOR wounded 1 VC evading at cont				

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For RICHARD P. GRETY, MAJ INF

Signature
Cecil Lewis

DUSTOFF REQUEST NR

DATE 14 Dec.

1. LOCATION OF PICKUP SITE 785.365

2. REQUESTOR Tiger Force 36

3. NUMBER OF PATIENTS: LITTER 3 AMBULATORY

4. NATIONALITY: US 3 VN FWF

5. NATURE OF INJURIES None at this time

6. CATEGORY: URGENT X PRIORITY ROUTINE

7. CONDITION & TYPE OF PICKUP SITE Good

8. SECURITY OF PICKUP SITE Good

9. WEATHER AT PICKUP SITE Good

10. MARKING (SMOKE) PANELS, LIGHTS, ETC.) Smoke

11. RADIO FREQUENCY 4520 CALLWORD

12. US PERSONNEL AT PICKUP SITE? YES X NO

13. REMARKS: All EM from B. Co.

14. REQUEST CANCELLED BY

15. REQUEST RECEIVED BY TIME 1101

TIME COMPLETED 1103

KHA: line No. 132
Urgent line No. 18
Urgent line No. 148
Priority line No. 32

DUSTOFF REQUEST NR _____ DATE 14 Dec 68

1. LOCATION OF PICKUP SITE 878315

2. REQUESTOR Dustoff Alpha 36

3. NUMBER OF PATIENTS: LITTER AMBULATORY _____

4. NATIONALITY: US 1 FWF _____

5. NATURE OF INJURIES gunshot wound in
butt

6. CATEGORY: URGENT _____ PRIORITY 5 ROUTINE

7. CONDITION & TYPE OF PICKUP SITE Good

8. SECURITY OF PICKUP SITE Secure

9. WEATHER AT PICKUP SITE Good

10. MARKING (SMOKE, PANELS, LIGHTS, ETC.) Smoke

11. RADIO FREQUENCY 45.70 CALLWORD Dustoff Alpha 3

12. US PERSONNEL AT PICKUP SITE? YES NO _____

13. REMARKS: _____

14. REQUEST CALLED IN BY Medevac Office 79

15. REQUEST RECEIVED BY Actor Control TIME 1430
TIME COMPLETED 1450

DUSTOFF REQUEST NR _____ DATE 14 Dec 68

1. LOCATION OF PICKUP SITE 786368

2. REQUESTOR Tiger Force 36

3. NUMBER OF PATIENTS: LITTER ✓ AMBULATORY _____

4. NATIONALITY: US VN 1 PAF

5. NATURE OF INJURIES gun shot wounds
in chest

6. CATEGORY: URGENT ✓ PRIORITY _____ ROUTINE _____

7. CONDITION & TYPE OF PICKUP SITE Good

8. SECURITY OF PICKUP SITE Secure

9. WEATHER AT PICKUP SITE Good

10. MARKING (SMOKE, PANELS, LIGHTS, ETC.) -Smoker

11. RADIO FREQUENCY 45.70 CALLWORD Tiger Force 40

12. US PERSONNEL AT PICKUP SITE? YES ✓ NO _____

13. REMARKS: _____

14. REQUEST CANCELLED BY Muddy Little 79

15. REQUEST RECEIVED BY Doctor Control TIME 1222

TIME COMPLETED 1238

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LZ THUNDER (B3674325) RVN
14000H DEC 68
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FRAGORD 5-68 to OPORD 15-68, Hq 4-3 Inf

Reference: Maps, South Vietnam; 1:50,000; Series L7014; Sheets 6738I, 6738II, 6838III, and 6838IV.

1. Task Organization:

A/4-3 Inf (-)	HHC (-)/4-3 Inf
B/4-3 Inf (-)	Battalion Control
C/4-3 Inf (-)	A/6-11th Arty (DS)
D/4-3 Inf (-)	C/6-11th Arty (DS)
E/4-3 Inf (-)	C/3-18th Arty (GS)

Task Force: Change of Command Ceremony.

2. 4-3 Inf conducts offensive search operations in Duc Pho AO with Co A (-)/LZ THUNDER, Co B (-)/LZ CHARLIE BROWN, Co C (-)/LZ LIZ, Co D (-)/LZ DRAGON, and Co E (-)/LZ THUNDER.

3. Co A (-):

- a. Secures and improves defensive positions LZ THUNDER.
- b. One (1) plat move from LZ THUNDER 150600H DEC 68 to establish blocking position NLT 150800H DEC 68 at B3634359. Released from blocking position 151000H DEC 68.
- c. Conduct offensive search operation to OBJ 1 (B3651357) to OBJ X (B369318) to OBJ G (B360335) to OBJ E (B360320). Return to LZ THUNDER NLT 151700H DEC 68.

4. Co B (-): Continue present mission.

5. Co C (-): Continue present mission.

6. Co D (-):

- a. Secure and improve defensive positions LZ DRAGON.
- b. One (1) plat conduct offensive search operation 150700H DEC 68 to OBJ L (B3739519) to OBJ M (B3737513) to OBJ E (B3734508) to OBJ T (B3721520) to OBJ S (B3715510) to OBJ W (B3707518) NDP via OBJ W. Conduct night amb via OBJ W. 160700H DEC 68 moves to OBJ J (B3707-525) to OBJ D (B3714525) to OBJ I (B3721527) to OBJ A (B3727532). Return to LZ DRAGON NLT 161400H DEC 68.

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7. Co E (-):

- a. Ivy Mort plat: GS LZ THUNDER.
- b. GS Sec: GS LZ THUNDER.

8. Coordinating instructions:

- a. Elements of Change of Command Ceremony will return to parent organization upon completion of ceremony.
- b. Elements with night amb will establish a false NDP in late PM; after dusk they will move NDP no less than 250 meters.

Acknowledged.

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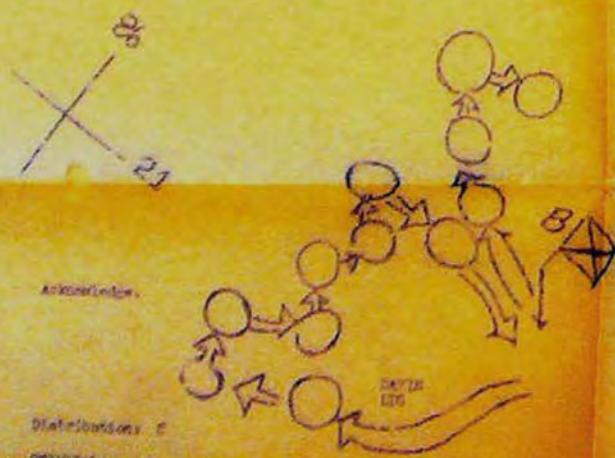
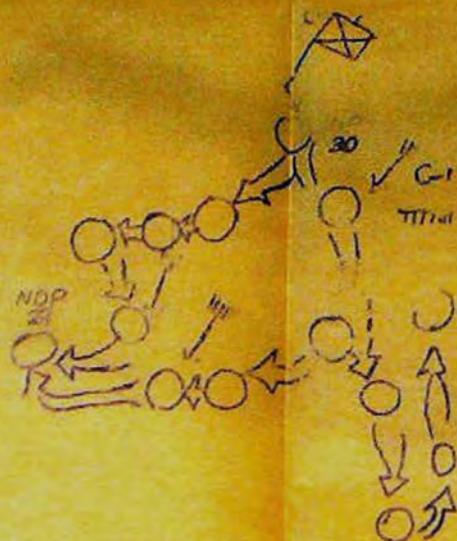
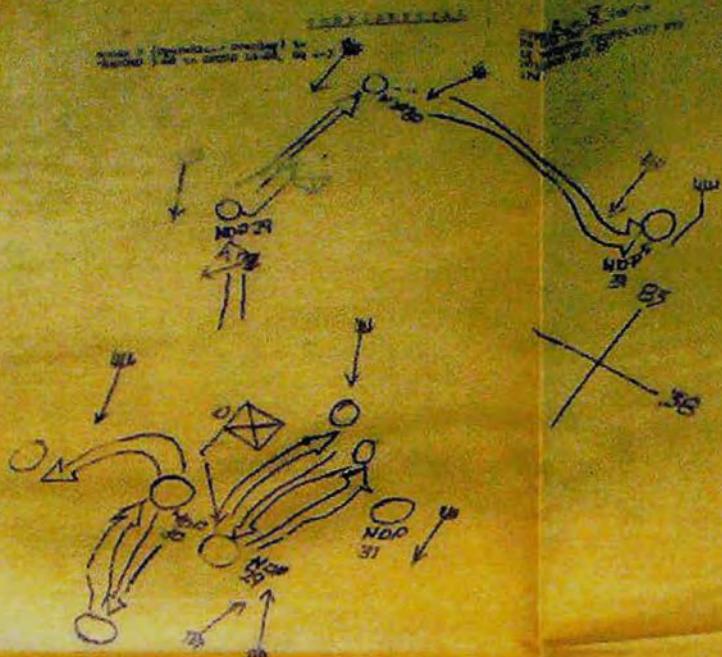
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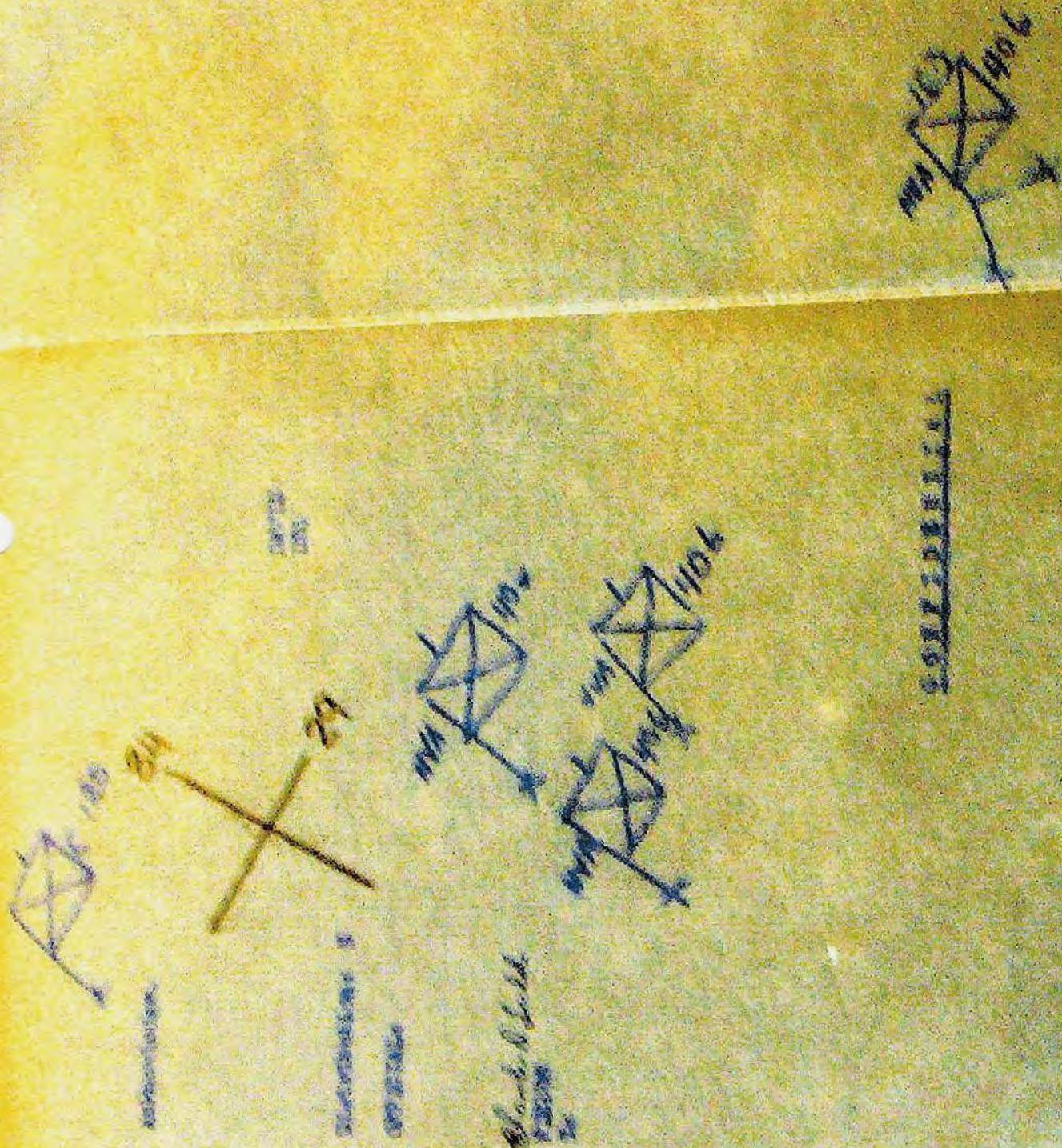
Arrows indicate direction.

Distances in miles.

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Scale
1 mile
1000 feet

1000 feet = 1 mile



Organization or Installation

S-2/3-3 4-3 Inf

Location

LZ THUNDER
BS8714325

Period Covered

From

To

Hour Date

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0001 16 Dec 68

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ITEM NR	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORD TS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	TIME DAYS
	IN	OUT			
01	0001		(U) JOURNAL OPENED		
02	0100		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	EDB, DO	DM
03	0125		(C) No true MACV compound rec mort rds (no. unk). Co D PO working up plots for Arty.	33, DO	DM
04	0200		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	EDB, DO	DM
05	0300		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	EDB, DO	DM
06	0400		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	EDB, DO	DM
07	0500		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	EDB, DO	DM
08	0600		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	EDB, DO	DM
09	0700		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	EDB, DO	DM
10	0705		(C) Co D 2nd plat closed on LZ DRAGON.	DO	JPG
11	0708		(C) Co A (-) departed for todays op.	DO	JPG
12	0800		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A (-) BS863- 305; Co B same; Co C 1st plat departed LZ LZ for todays op, 2nd plat BS721433; Co D same; Rcn BS766378.	EDB, DO	JPG
13	0800		(C) Rcn coord BS786378 fd an unfinished tunnel with bones in it. 7 ft deep & 25 ft long. Will deaf.	EDB, DO	JPG
14	0910		(C) 1 woman brought to LZ THUNDER by In Surge. Taken to 6th Support by CSC. VS having child birth trouble.	EDB, DO, DO	JPG

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Organization or Installation S-2/S-3 1-3 Tnd			Location IC THUNDER 33074325	Period Covered			
				From Hour	Date 16 Mar 68	To Hour	Date 2100 16 Mar 68
ITEM NR	TIME IN OUT		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.		ACTION TAKEN		ENT- TIALS
	IN	OUT					
15	0900		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A (-) 33050- 297; Co B 1st plat 330502; Co C 1st plat 33735416, 2nd plat same; Co D same Ren 33780395.		DO		JPC
16	0930		(C) (late entry): Bde Comdr (Col Donald- son) at 33755374 app 2 PMS. Taken to LZ BRONCO.				JPC
17	0925		(C) Co A coord 330-620; spotted 3 VC evading and engaged with 3A fire. Now checking area for res.		300, DO		JPC
18	1000		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A (-) 33050- 297; Co B 1st plat 33898257; Co C 1st plat 33735416, 2nd plat same; Co D 1st plat 33724526; Ren 33780395.		300, DO		JPC
19	1005		(C) Air lift compl for move of ceremony plates to respective co's: Co B 2nd plat PZ LZ BRONCO 0900H - LZ LZ CHARLIE BROWN 0930H 0912H; Co D 3rd plat PZ LZ BRONCO - LZ LZ DRAGON 0943H; Mens plat Co A PZ LZ BRONCO 0955H - LZ LZ THUNDER 1005H.		300, 33-Air		JPC
20	1100		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A (-) same; Co B 1st plat 33890252; Co C 1st plat		DO		JPC
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20	cont		BS735446, 2nd plat BS730h11; Co D 1st plat BS7125h8; Rec same.						
21	1100		(C) Co D repts PP's informed them that spotted 40 VC at coord BS705555. Co D 1st plat is moving into area to check.					ED, DO, S3	JPC
22	1130		(C) Co A (-) coord BS848283 fd 1 tunnel complex, mostly caved in. Checking fur.					ED, DO	JPC
23	1200		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A (-) BS848-283; Co B 1st plat BS902248; Co C 1st & 2nd plat BS735446; Co D 1st plat BS721-555; Rec BS797402.					ED, DO	JPC
24	1204		(C) Co D 1st plat rec'd approx 40 rds AW and semi AW fire fr two pos at BS705-555. Neg cas.					ED, CO, S3	PJS
25	1220		(C) Co A repts at BS848283 approx 200 M of tunnel complex. Fd 2 h ft x 8 ft rooms with several branches.					ED, DO	JPC
26	1240		(C) At BS705555 Co D 1st plat sighted 2 M believed to be wearing NVA unifs. Checking fur.					ED, S3	JPC
27	1300		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A (-) same; Co B 1st plat BS898212; Co C 1st & 2nd					DO	JPC
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3-2/3-3 4-3 Inf	12 THUNDER RS571,325	0001	16 DEC 68	2400	16 DEC 68
TIME	IN	OUT	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	RESULTS
27	cont		same; Co B 1st plat 33716557; Rcn same.		
28	1300		(C) Co D req permission to put extra amb out tonight at RS721526. Permission granted. Insure both night amb are dug in and arty plots are planned and fired.	CD, S3	JPC
29	1320		(C) APC's (5 Trp) on Rng 10h rept'd Pts 33716557, 33716558 brought in a VN farmer wounded in right shoulder & right arm by shrapnel. Pts unable to find out how indiv was wounded. DUSTOFF req, compl at 1400H.	33716557, 33716558	JPC
30	1335		(C) Co A coord 33845275 fd cleared out area for 5 or 6 men. Cooked rice & sugar cane in area. Also an obs tree with foxhole at base.	HD, S3	JPC
31	1342		(C) Co D coord 33705558 fd 1 82mm rd booby trapped under a coconut shell. Shell was accidentally kicked and it boun- ced in the air not going off. Destroyed in place.	HD, CO, S3	JPC
32	1400		(C) Co D coord 33703555 fd 2 tunnels and threw in grens. Neg res.	HD, CO	JPC
33	1400		(C) Sa STREP neg: loc; Co A (-) same; cont	HD, CO	JPC

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				From Hour	Date	To Hour	Date
ITEM NR	TIME HR	TYPE CUT					
			INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.				INVESTIGATIONS
33	cont		Co B 1st platoon B8895240; Co C 1st platoon B8745440, 2nd platoon B8751440; Co D 1st platoon B8703555; rec'd B8814400.				
34	1130		(C) 4.2 ammo rept called into Bde.		DO		JPC
35	1135		(C) LT Covington (Bde S3) repts that at 1350H, while in village Thuy Thach, he saw a woman with child who had been killed by gunshot. VII woman claimed child had been shot by US soldier. LT Covington checked a suspected vehicle and the weapons belonging to the indv's of vehicle had not been fire recently. LT Covington wanted to know if any fire had come fr LZ THUNDER. Cpt Simpson (S3-Air) informed LT Covington no fire had come fr 4-3 Inf elms & no firing had been cleared by 4-3 Inf.		CO,S3,DO		JPC
36	1145		(C) R Trp repts spotting 1 crew served weapon pos at B890526H. 4.2 fired.		DO,DO		JPC
37	1145		(C) Co C coord B874744H detained 1h MAM 18 - 35 yrs old dressed as Buddhist.		DO,CO,S3		JPC
38	1155		(C) Co D coord B8705555 rec'd AW and semi AW fire fr 2 pos in cross fire.		DO,CO,S3		JPC

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ITEM	TIME	IN		From	To	Hour	Date
3-2/3-3 4-3 Inf			LZ THUNDER BS874325	0001	16 DEC 68	2000	16 DEC 68
39	1524						
			INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.				
			(C) Ref item #38: Gunships hit in the area. Air strike called for.				
40	1550		(C) CH-47B's will pick up trps at LZ LIZ 171000Z DEC 68 enroute to LZ BRONCO.			\$3,00	RET
41	1605		(C) CH-47B's to pick up trps at LZ BRONCO on 170830Z DEC 68 enroute to LZ BRONCO..			\$3,00	RET
42	1615		(C) Co a req DUSTOFF for 3 US pers (urgent). Tunnel caved in on indivs at 03048203.			\$DE, \$3,00	RET
43	1620		(C) Gunships left station at 1600H.			DO	RET
44	1622		(C) Ref item #42: Explosion in tunnel and indivs were overcome by chlorine gas fr C-4 explosive.			\$DE, \$3	RET
45	1625		(C) HUEY rept'd secondary explo vic of 03705555.			\$DE, \$3,00	RET
46	1635		(C) Ref item #42: Injured pers: line #20, Bateman, Donny J. (urgent); line #16, Wyrick, Gregory J. (urgent); line #59 Seeger, Bruce M.; line #61, Pallia-check (FO). DUSTOFF compl at 1620H.			\$DE, \$3,00	RET
47	1700		(C) Air strike started at 1545H and ended at 1645H.				

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		Hour	Date	Hour	Date
S-2/S-3 1-3 Inf	LZ THUNDER SS174325	0001	10 DEC 68	2100	10 DEC 68
ITEM	TIME				
NR	IN	OUT	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	DETAILS
56	1717		(C) Rec 19th Engr's at base of LZ THUNDER, S3, DO Req 2nd to blow tunnel complex at SS348283. Engr's to be at pad 12 THUNDER on 170700H B-68 to air lifted to site.		EET
57	1719		(C) An EETTF neg: loc; Co A same; Co B DO B-68 2nd; Co C 1st plat same, 2nd plat SS714431; Co D same; Rcn SS033396.		EET
58	1723		(C) (Late entry): At 1410H at SS708- h09 Bde C/C app 1 VCS F. At SS6R451H Bde C/C KIA 1 VC evading.	BDE, S3, DO	EET
59	1735		(C) Co D coord SS709550 fd 3 VC KIA by air strikes all in black PJ's. Digging out bomb crater at present. Neg wpns/ docu.	BDE, CO, S3, DO	EET
60	1740		(C) Co D coord SS703555 fd 1 VC KIA by air strikes. Man dressed in black PJ's neg wpns/docu.	BDE, CO, S3, DO	EET
61	1815		(C) Co A rec'd fire fr PPs. Bde noti- fied and they notified MACV.	BDE, S3, DO	EET
62	1820		(C) Bde notified of NDP's and night activities.	DO	EET
63	1830		(C) Bn strength rept: Co A 102, Co B	Posted cont	EET

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S-2/S-3 4-3 Inf	LZ THUNDER BS874325	0001	16 DEC 68	2100	16 DEC 68
TIME	TIME				
IN	OUT				
		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, INFO.		ACTION TAKEN	INFO.
55	cont	113, Co C 120, Co D 120, Co E 52.			
56	1830	(C) At 83705548 Co D repts 2 VC RIA by Arty.		DO, DO, S3, DO	EST
57	1840	(C) Co A will evaluate area fired on by Arty at 3 VC 161830N DEC 68.		DO	EST
58	1855	(C) Co C req HUSTLER for 1 US at BS- 759441. Temp 104.4°. Comol at 1924P.		DO, DO	EST
59	1925	(C) Co C 2nd plat amb site 83761437; Ren amb site BS634392.		BDE, DO	EST
60	1950	(C) Co D 1st plat in amb pos at BS712- 537.		DO	EST
61	2000	(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.		DO, DO	EST
62	2010	(C) Co C 1st plat in amb pos at BS759- 441; Co D 3rd plat amb pos at BS721526.		DO	EST
63	2030	(C) Co E spotted movement at BS923226. Permission refused to fire 81mm. If contact is made notify Bn CO.		DO, S3, DO	EST
64	2045	(C) A/C's (3 Trp) on HUSTLER rec'd one rd SA fire in their pos.		HACV, BDE, DO	EST
65	2050	(C) rec intel repts fr Bde 32: (see S2 files - rating F-6).		S2, S3, DO	EST
66	2100	(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.		BDE, S3, DO	EST

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Organization or Installation S-2/S-3 4-3 Inf			Location LZ THUNDER BS874325	Period Covered				
				From Hour	Date	To Hour	Date	
ITEM NR	TIME IN OUT		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.			ACTION TAKEN		NOTES
67	2110		(C) Ref item 63: Clearance given to fire 81mm as long as they do not fire over friendlies and data is checked by Maj Hyman (Sde DO).			BDE, S3, DO		DET
68	2130		(C) The fol grids were cleared for 81mm for Co B by Maj Hyman (Sde DO): B9932-226, B9931224, B9935227, B9933233, and B9936221.			BDE, S3, DO		DET
69	2140		(C) Primary pass word has been compromised switching to the alternate.			All units		DET
70	2200		(C) Bn STREP neg: loc same.			BDE, DO		DET
71	2300		(C) Bn STREP neg: loc same.			BDE, DO		DET
72	2355		(C) Bn STREP neg: loc same.			BDE, DO		DET
73	LOG Summary:		4-3 Inf continued security and offensive sweep ops in NAM Duc Pho AO. Co A conducted sweep S of LZ THUNDER. Co B continued security of LZ CHARLIE BROWN and ops in AO YELLOW. Co C conducted sweep N and S of LZ LZ. At 1445H Co C detained 14 NVA's at BS743000 all dressed as Buddhist Monks. Co D conducted sweep NW of LZ DRAGON. At 1445H 1st plat Co D rec'd bry AN fire fr two pos via BS705555. Gunships, Arty, and TAC Air were utilized extensively in support of 1st plat Co D. A sweep of the cont					

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01	0001		(U) JOURNAL OPENED		
02	0100		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same	BDE, DO	DAW
03	0200		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same	BDE, DO	DAW
04	0300		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same	BDE, DO	DAW
05	0400		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same	BDE, DO	DAW
06	0500		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same	BDE, DO	DAW
07	0600		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same	BDE, DO	DAW
08	0700		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Co A (-) same, (-) 1st plat DOLPHIN PAD; Co B same; Co C same, ambs closed; Co D same, 3rd plat leaving amb site.	S3, DO	EET
09	0700		(C) (Late Entry): PZ time 1st plat Co A 0650H 17th Pad. LZ 0657H (B8822402)	BDE, S3, DO	EET
10	0705		(C) Co C 1st & 3rd plat's closed on HDS. DO		EET
11	0712		(C) Co A (-) (B8823402).	S3, DO	EET
12	0735		(C) Co A at (B8823402) found one (1) well used trail w/fence on both sides of trail.	BDE, S3, DO	EET
13	0800		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Co A (-) center of mass (B8823402); Co B same; Co C same; Co D (-) LZ THUNDER, 3rd plat base of LZ THUNDER.	BDE, S3, DO	EET

ITEM	TIME	IN	OUT	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	Period Covered		TIME	
					From	To		
					Hour	Date		
14	0825			(C) At (B3823402 Co A (-) detained one (1) VC. Indiv name is on black list as a VC team leader.	0001	24 DEC 68	2100	24 DEC 68
15	0830			(C) (Note: <i>RCN</i>) 40 per dpt'd for Chu Lai and the Bob Hope show.			03	DO
16	0900			(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; All loc same except Co B (-) LZ CHARLIE BROWN, 3rd plat (B3895210).			DO	EST
17	0900			(C) Co A 2nd & 3rd plat's closed LZ B3823402.			DO	EST
18	0900			(C) At (B3823402) Co A (-) being led to hootch by VII National. Says VC in hootch.			EDB, DO,	EST
19	0950			(C) At (B3825402) VII National says three (3) VC went into a hootch; two (2) dressed in fatigue uniform, one (1) in shorts and white shirt. Interpreter says 2 are NVA, 1 is VC.			EDB, DO	EST
20	1000			(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Co A (-) (B3- 825402); Co B same, 3rd plat (B3899209); Co C same; Co D (-) same, 2nd plat at base of LZ THUNDER.			EDB, DO	EST

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		From		To	
		Hour	Date	Hour	Date
S-2/S-3 4-3 Inf	LZ THUNDER BS874325	0001	21 DEC 68	2100	21 DEC 68
ITEM	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	TIME
NR	IN	OUT			
21	1020		(C) Co A (-) closed LZ BRONCO.	DO	EST
22	1040		(C) At (BS899211) Co B 3rd plat found spider holes and a rock bunker large enough for 3 pers. Also found 1 green fatigue type jacket. VM in area didn't know where people in bunker came fr or went.	HDR, DO	EST
23	1040		(C) RELIX 35 checking grid (BS9226) to (BS9225).		
24	1050		(C) At (BS906210) Co B 3rd plat found med sup in basket a VM was carrying. One (1) 250 cap. of Tetracycline, 2 tablets Cortol, and 2 tablets of T.T. Sulphur.	HDR, DO	EST
25	1100		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Co A closed LZ BRONCO 10221; Co B (-) same, 3rd plat (BS906210); Co C closing LZ THUNDER; Co D (-) same, 2nd plat same.	DO	EST
26	1110		(C) RELIX 35 checked grid (BS9226) to (BS9225). Neg findings.	HDR, DO	EST
27	1200		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Co A same; Co B (-) same, 3rd plat HARDSTAND; Co C (-)	HDR, DO	EST

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					From Hour Date 0001 21 DEC 68		To Hour Date 2400 21 DEC 68	
ITEM NR	TIME IN OUT		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.			ACTION TAKEN	INT- TIALS	
	IN	OUT						
27	(Cont'd)		LZ BRONCO, 2nd plat (BS795370); Co D same.					
28	1200		(C) Firing rep't'd fr (BS801375) believed BDE, DO to be PF's. Bde notified.				EET	
29	1200		(C) HELIX 35 spotted a large tunnel entrance at (BS906286).			DO	EET	
30	1225		(C) HELIX 35 at grid (BS906286) put in A.S. Res were: 11 hootches dest'd. Used were: 8-500 lbs, 4-naplam, 20-101.			BDE, CO, S3, DO	EET	
31	1300		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Co A same; Co B LZ CHARLIE BROWN; Co C 2nd plat (BS-613362), all others LZ BRONCO; Co D LZ THUNDER; Recon LZ THUNDER.			DO	EET	
32	1250		(C) At (BS892216) HELIX 35 put A.S. in. Res: 20 meters of trail taken out. HELIX also put in A.S. at (BS906286). Res: 11 hootches dest'd! HELIX rec'd a few rds of .30 cal fire fr (BS906287). Bombs used: 16-250 lb; 4-500 lb.			BDE, DO	EET	
33	1400		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; All same except Co C 2nd plat (BS803362).			BDE, DO	EET	
34	1400		(C) Co D 2nd plat dpt'ing LZ THUNDER for night activities.			DO	EET	

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			Hour	Date	Hour	Date		
3-2/3-3 4-3 Inf			LZ THUNDER BS874325	0000 21 DEC 68	2100 21 DEC 68			
35	1400		(C) Recon left LZ THUNDER for today's op.				DO	NET
36	1430		(C) 1.2 ammo report called into Bde.				EDB, S3, DO	NET
37	1500		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Co A same; Co B (-) same, 3rd plat village Sa Huynh; Co C (-) same; 2nd plat (BS814362); Co D (-) same, 2nd plat (BS879313); Rcn returned to LZ THUNDER.				DO	JPC
38	1600		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Co A same; Co B LZ CHARLIE BROWN; Co C (-) same 2nd plt (BS822365); Co D (-) same, 2nd plt (BS89319); Rcn same.				EDB, DO	JPC
39	1610		(C) Rec'd fr Bde: Contamination at grids (BS591544), (BS593548), (BS594547) (BS593544), (BS51408), (BS58418), (BS659418), (BS659419), (BS611409).				DO	JPC
40	1700		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same except Co C 2nd plat (BS823367).				DO	NET
41	1745		(C) Bn Strength Report: Co A, 99; Co B, 110; Co C, 107; Co D, 116; Co E, 51, profiles, 2.				DO	JPC
42	1800		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Co A (-) same, 1st plat dpt'd LZ BRONCO 1745H; Co B (-)				EDB, DO	JPC

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	IN	OUT	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.		ACTION TAKEN		IN- TIALS
12	(Cont'd)			same, 1st plat B-94; Co C same; Co D (-)			
				same, 2nd plat (-) (BS890315), 2nd sqd			
				(BS87324), 1st sqd (BS886324); Ren dpt'd			
				LZ THUNDER 1800H.			
43	1800		(C)	Rec'd PF day & night loc.		POSTED	JPC
44	1900		(C)	Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same		DO	JPC
45	2000		(C)	Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Co A (-) same,		BDE, DO	JPC
				1st plat amb (BS815392); Co B all elms			
				same except 2nd plat amb (BS931230); Co			
				C (-) same, 2nd plat amb (BS827366); Co			
				D (-) same, 2nd plat (-) (BS890315) amb			
				2nd plat 1st sqd (BS807324) amb, 2nd plat			
				2nd sqd (BS886324) amb; Ren amb (BS-			
				859299).			
46	2100		(C)	Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same		BDE, DO	JPC
47	2200		(C)	Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same		BDE, DO	JPC
48	2300		(C)	Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same		BDE, DO	JPC
49	2355		(C)	Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same		BDE, DO	JPC
50			Loc Summary: 4-3 Inf continues present mission. Co A 1st				
			plat conducted CA into (BS822403). At 0325H at (BS823402)				
			Co A 1st plat captured one (1) VC team leader (female).				
			There were no other significant events.				
51	2400		(U)	JOURNAL CLOSED.			

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Reference: Hano, South Vietnam; 1:50,000; Series L70Gh; Sheets 6730I, 6730II, 6830III, and 6830IV.

1. Task Organization:

A/4-3 Inf	REC (-)/4-3 Inf
B/4-3 Inf	Battalion Control
C/4-3 Inf	C/6-11th Arty (D3)
D/4-3 Inf	
E/4-3 Inf	

2. 4-3 Inf continues offensive search operations in S Duc Pho AO to find and destroy VC main/local force units and village VC infrastructure.

3. Co A:

- 260300Z DEC 68 conduct offensive search operation to coord (RS792357). NWP with two (2) plat sub.
- 270530Z DEC 68 conduct offensive search operations. NWP coord (RS782327) with two (2) plat sub.
- 280630Z DEC 68 conduct offensive search operations, NWP (RS782327) with two (2) plat sub.

4. Co B:

- Secured and improves defensive positions LZ CHARLIE IRON. 260600Z DEC 68 one (1) plat move to blocking position coord (RS933241). Position time RLT 0700Z DEC 68.
- 270700Z DEC 68 conduct offensive search operations in AO YELLOW and AO RED.
- 280700Z DEC 68 conduct offensive search operations in AO YELLOW and AO RED.

5. Co C:

- 260700Z DEC 68 be prepared to OA from S B Pad LZ IRONCO. LZ #1 (RS922253) 260720Z DEC 68. LZ #2 (RS927263) 260730Z DEC 68. LZ #3 (RS925261) 260800Z DEC 68. Plat LZ #1 conduct offensive search to OBJ 1 (RS929252). Plat LZ #2 conduct offensive search to OBJ 1 (RS933255). Plat LZ #3 reserve plat.

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- b. 261300H DEC 68 conduct plat offensive search operations, NDF (BS899306) with two (2) plat amb.
- c. 270630H DEC 68 conduct plat offensive search operations, NDF (BS857367) with two (2) plat amb.
- d. 280630H DEC 68 conduct plat offensive search operations, NDF (BS818343) with two (2) plat amb.

6. Co D:

- a. 260800H DEC 68 conduct two (2) plat offensive search operations. NDF coord (BS856273), with one (1) plat amb.
- b. 270630H DEC 68 conduct plat offensive search operations. NDF coord (BS858293), with one (1) plat amb.
- c. 280630H DEC 68 conduct offensive search operations. Close LZ THUNDER NLT 281600H DEC 68, with one (1) night amb.

7. Co E:

- a. Recon Plat be prepared to CA from LZ THUNDER 260730H DEC 68. LZ #4 (BS893268) 260815H DEC 68. Conduct plat offensive search operations. NDF coord (BS873250).
- b. 270630H DEC 68 conduct offensive search operations. NDF coord (BS-883273).
- c. 280630H DEC 68 conduct offensive search operations. Close LZ THUNDER NLT 281600H DEC 68.

8. Coordinating Instructions:

- a. Units will establish Company Base and plats will operate vic Company Base.
- b. Plats will be within 30 minutes to 60 minutes march time from each other.
- c. Unit commanders will insure separate units are mutually supporting.

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02	0100			(U) JOURNAL OPENED.			
03	0200			(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.		0000	0000
04	0300			(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.		0000	0000
05	0400			(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.		0000	0000
06	0500			(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.		0000	0000
07	0600			(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.		0000	0000
08	0700			(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; All ele the same except Co A 1st plat which closed LZ BRONCO cohon.		0000	0000
09	0740			(C) Dustoff Req for Recon Plat Line # b6. PFC Clark, Averell RA6711103. PFC Clark was sick and collapsed.		0000	0000
10	0745			(C) Co C 2nd plat closed LZ BRONCO. Co D 2nd plat closed LZ THUNDER.		0000	0000
11	0800			(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Co A LZ BRONCO; Co B LZ CHARLIE IRONIN, 1st plat B-9b, 2nd plat (N3211-37); Co C LZ BRONCO; Co D LZ THUNDER; Recon (N36A3- 103).		0000	0000
12	0840			(C) Bn CO dept to here for LZ CHARLIE IRONIN.		0000, 00, 01, 00	0000

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3-2/3-3 4-5 Inf	LZ THUNDER BS874325	0001	25 DEC 68	2400	25 DEC 68

ITEM NR	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	IN- TIALS
	IN	OUT			
13	0900		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; All ele same except Co B 1st plat closed LZ CHARLIE BROWN at 0850H, 2nd plat (BS932227).	DO	EET
14	0915		(C) Recon closed LZ THUNDER	DO	EET
15	0930		(C) Co B 2nd plat closed LZ CHARLIE BROWN.	DO	EET
16	1000		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.	BDE, DO	EET
17	1100		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.	DO	EET
18	1200		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.	BDE, DO	EET
19	1230		(C) Dustoff req for Line #71 Co B. PFC Amspacher, Robert US54666598.	BDE, S1, DO	EET
20	1250		(C) Dustoff req for Line #59 & #33 Co B. (59): Sp4 Geary, Thomas US54820512; (33): Sp4 Reynolds, Gordon RA12903545.	BDE, S1, DO	EET
21	1300		(C) Ref Items #19 & 20: 1/4 ton was amb with A11 & M-79 at (BS918238).	BDE, S1, DO	EET
22	1310		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.	DO	EET
23	1355		(C) Ref Items #19 & 21: PFC Amspacher Robert, Co B, DOA 312th Evan Hosp, Chu Lai.	----	PJS
24	1400		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.	BDE, DO	EET
25	1425		(C) SLICK to be at S E Pad to take per-	Co B, DO, S3	EET

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ITEM NR	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INC- TIALS
	IN	OUT			
25		(Cont'd)	sons to Chu Lai. Reason: Positive ID of Line #71. Ref item #23.		
26	1140		(C) At (BS935225) E Trp 1st plat rec'd AM fire fr 5-6 positions. Gun Ship req.	BDE, CO, S3, DO	EET
27	1141		(C) 4.2 ammo report called into Bde.	BDE, DO	EET
28	1145		(C) Co B rec'd 15-20 rds sniper fire at (BS935225). Action taken: Co B return- ed fire. Res: 5VC KIA coord (BS935229) SHARPS also rec'd fire at coord (BS935- 225).	BDE, DO	EET
29	1505		(C) Co D 1st plat dept'd LZ THUNDER for todays op.	DO	EET
30	1506		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.	DO	JPC
31	1550		(C) E Trp 1st plat rec'd sniper fire at coord (BS915235). Neg casualties.	BDE, CO	JPC
32	1600		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Co A LZ BRONCO; Co B LZ CHARLIE BROWN; Co C LZ BRONCO; Co D (-) LZ THUNDER, 1st plat (BS88313)	BDE, DO	JPC
33	1610		(C) (Late Entry): At 1535H HELIX 03 conducted an AS at coord (BS932234). 6 hootches dest'd, 3 hootches damaged. Bombs used: 6-250 Lbs, 8- napalm & 20mm	BDE, DO	JPC

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TIME	TIME	IN	OUT	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	Period Covered		ACTION TAKEN	DETAILS
					From	To		
					Hour	Date	Hour	Date
3-2/3-3	4-3 Trd			LZ THUNDER BS874325	0001	25 DEC 68	2400	25 DEC 68
34	1610			(C) HELIX conducted an AS coord (BS-932234), one (1) spider hole damaged, 2 hootches destroyed, 1 hootch damaged. Bombs used: 8-500 lbs, 20MM.			EDT, DO	JPC
35	1620			(C) Co A Wpn plat dept'd LZ BRONCO for tonights amb.			DO	JPC
36	1630			(C) HELIX 03 conducted an AS coord (BS-932234). One (1) hootch destroyed, two (2) secondary fires; one sustained fire went 50 ft in the air. Bombs used: 6-250 lbs, 8 napalm, and 20MM.			DE, DO	JPC
37	1700			(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Co A (-) LZ BRONCO, Wpn plat (BS789386); Co B LZ CHARLIE BROWN; Co C LZ BRONCO; Co D (-) LZ THUNDER, 1st plat (BS83306); Recon LZ THUNDER.			DO	JPC
38	1705			(C) (late entry): 1630P Co D 1st plat apprehended three (3) VCS at coord (BS-883306). ID cards appeared to be altered. Will be extracted to LZ BRONCO.			DO	JPC
39	1730			(C) (late entry): Co B at coord (BS-932234) reports one (1) VC KIA by AS.			EDB, DO	JPC

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S-2/S-3 4-3 Inf

ITEM	TIME	CUT	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	Period Covered		DETAILS	
				From	To		
				0001	25 DEC 58		
				2100	25 DEC 58		
40	1800		(c) On Sitrep Neg: Loc; All obs same except Co A Non-plat (33705305).	0001	25 DEC 58	0001	JPC
41	1850		(c) On Strength Report: Co A, 102; Co B, 110; Co C, 117; Co D, 115; Co E, 60; Profiles, 2.	0001	25 DEC 58	0001	JPC
42	1900		(c) On Sitrep Neg: Loc; Units moving to amb pos.	0001	25 DEC 58	0001	JPC
43	1925		(c) Rec'd intel rep (loc 52 files)	0001	25 DEC 58	0001	JPC
44	1930		(c) Rec'd PT day and night loc.	0001	25 DEC 58	0001	JPC
45	2000		(c) On Sitrep Neg: Loc; Co A (-) LZ THUNDER, Non plat amb (33705305); Co B (-) LZ CHARLIE BROWN, 1st plat (-) amb (33910251), 1st plat 1st sqd O.P. (33911253); Co C (-) LZ BAC/CO, 1st plat amb (33805305); Co D (-) LZ TEE JEWEL, 1st plat amb (33691305); Recon LZ THUNDER.	0001	25 DEC 58	0001	JPC
46	2100		(c) On Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.	0001	25 DEC 58	0001	JPC
47	2200		(c) On Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.	0001	25 DEC 58	0001	JPC
48	2300		(c) On Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.	0001	25 DEC 58	0001	JPC
49	2355		(c) On Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.	0001	25 DEC 58	0001	JPC
50			(c) Log Summary: 4-3 Inf continued present mission. Ops were kept to minimum due to 24 hour cease fire beginning				OPR

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DUSTOFF REQUEST NR 1 DATE 25 Dec

1. LOCATION ON PICKUP SITE BS RT 3 303

2. REQUESTOR Counter WPlft 237

3. NUMBER OF PATIENTS: LITTER ✓ AMBULATORY

4. NATIONALITY: US 1 VN FWF

5. NATURE OF INJURIES sick + collapsed

6. CATEGORY: URGENT PRIORITY ✓ ROUTINE

7. CONDITION & TYPE OF PICKUP SITE Good

8. SECURITY OF PICKUP SITE Secure

9. WEATHER AT PICKUP SITE Cloudy

10. MARKING (SMOKE, PANELS, LIGHTS, ETC.) Smoke

11. RADIO FREQUENCY 45.20 CALLWORD Counter WPlft 237

12. US PERSONNEL AT PICKUP SITE? YES ✓ NO

13. REMARKS Line No. 46

14. REQUEST CALLED IN BY Muddy R. Pk 19

15. REQUEST RECEIVED BY Doctor Control TIME 0748

TIME COMPLETED 0855

LINE # 46

CLARK, AUERELL, PFC, RA 67111034

DUSTOFF REQUEST NR 1

DATE 25 Dec 68

1. LOCATION OF PICKUP SITE 918238

2. REQUESTOR S-4

3. NUMBER OF PATIENTS: LITTER 1 AMBULATORY

4. NATIONALITY: US 41 VN FVF

5. NATURE OF INJURIES Head injury (severe)

6. CATEGORY: URGENT ✓ PRIORITY ROUTINE

7. CONDITION & TYPE OF PICKUP SITE Good

8. SECURITY OF PICKUP SITE Good

9. WEATHER AT PICKUP SITE Good

10. MARKING (SMOKE, PANELS, LIGHTS, ETC.) SMOKE

11. RADIO FREQUENCY 111111 CALLWORD

12. US PERSONNEL AT PICKUP SITE? YES ✓ NO

13. REMARKS: Jeep was driving to Charlie Brown + hit a mine.

14. REQUEST CALLED IN BY Muddy Rifle 23

15. REQUEST RECEIVED BY Charlie Charlie TIME 1225

TIME COMPLETED 1230

DUSTOFF REQUEST NR 2 DATE 25 Dec 68

1. LOCATION OF PICKUP SITE HARDSTAND

2. REQUESTOR Bo Co

3. NUMBER OF PATIENTS: LITTER 7 AMBULATORY 1

4. NATIONALITY: US 2 VN 1 F/M 1

5. NATURE OF INJURIES Broken leg, Head Injuries

6. CATEGORY: URGENT PRIORITY ✓ ROUTINE

7. CONDITION & TYPE OF PICKUP SITE Good

8. SECURITY OF PICKUP SITE Good

9. WEATHER AT PICKUP SITE Good

10. MARKING (SMOKE, PANELS, LIGHTS, ETC.) Smoke

11. RADIO FREQUENCY CALLWORD

12. US PERSONNEL AT PICKUP SITE? YES ✓ NO

13. REMARKS: Line numbers 59, 33

14. REQUEST CALLED IN BY Muddy Rifle 14

15. REQUEST RECEIVED BY CHARLIE-CHARLIE THE 1245

TIME COMPLETED 1250

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ITEM	TIME	BY		From	To	Hour	Date	
3-2/3-3 4-3 Inf			LZ THUNDER B3871325	0001	27 DEC 68	2100	27 DEC 68	
28	1200		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.				ACTION TAKEN	
			(S) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A (-) same, 1st & 2nd plat B3786334, 3d plat B3787- 324; Co B 1st plat B3897225, 3d plat released fr Co C at this time; Co C same, Co D same, 3d plat base of LZ THUNDER, 2nd plat B3871258; Rcn same.				BDE, DO, CO, S3 CL	
29	1220		(S) Ref item /23: One of the 7 confirm- ed VC is a local village guerrilla chief.				CO, DO	CL
30	1225		(S) Co C at B3929259 (2nd plat) found one 3KS-44 in cave. Part of the SN is B2762, remaining numbers were unreadable due to rust and corrosion.				BDE, DO	CL
31	1245		(S) At B3832279 Co D found a map drawn on the ground on the trail.				BDE, S3, CO	CL
32	1245		(S) A jeep fr Co D turned over on the access road to LZ THUNDER. Two US were injured, line #117 PFC Botana; line #110 PFC Sayas. MUSOFF read but later can- celled.				CO, S3, S1	CL
33	1315		(S) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A (-) B3786- 334, 1st & 3d plat B3782327; Co B 1st plat B3903253, 3d plat closed LZ CHARLIE				DO	CL

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LZ THUNDER (BS874325)
270900H DEC 68
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FRACORD 3-68 to OPORD 16-68, Hq 4-3 Inf

Reference: Maps, South Vietnam; 1:50,000; Series L70114; Sheets 6738I, 6738II, 6838III, and 6838IV.

1. Task Organization:

A/4-3 Inf	HHC (-)/4-3 Inf
B/4-3 Inf	Battalion Control
C/4-3 Inf	C/6-11th Arty (DS)
D/4-3 Inf	
E/4-3 Inf	

2. 4-3 Inf continues offensive search operations in S Duc Pho AO to find and destroy VC main/local force units and village VC infrastructure. 270730H DEC 68 all companies this Bn are assigned an AO within the Bn AO. Unit commanders will submit to the S-3 section, this Bn, a plan of operations for a three (3) day operation beginning 290630H DEC 68 to 010700H JAN 69. Unit plans of AO will be submitted to Bn S-3 NLT 281200H DEC 68.

3. Co A: Submit plan for AO.

4. Co B:

- a. Secures and improves defensive positions LZ CHARLIE BROWN.
- b. 290700H DEC 68 conduct offensive search operations in AO YELLOW and AO RED.
- c. 300700H DEC 68 conduct offensive search operations in AO YELLOW and AO RED.
- d. 310700H DEC 68 conduct offensive search operations in AO YELLOW and AO RED.

5. Co C:

- a. 290700H DEC 68 secures and improves defensive positions LZ THUNDER.
- b. Submit plan for AO.

6. Co D: Submit plan for AO.

7. Co E:

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- a. Recon plat: Conduct offensive search operations from LZ THUNDER on order.
- b. Hvy Mort plat: GS LZ THUNDER.
- c. GS Sec: GS LZ THUNDER.

8. Coordinating Instructions:

- a. Units will establish company base and plats will operate vic company base.
- b. Plats will be within 30 minutes to 60 minutes march time from each other.
- c. Unit commanders will insure separate units are mutually supporting.

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Annex A: Operations Overlay

Annex B: Intelligence Overlay

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Organization or Installation 3-2/3-3 1-3 7th	Location E. THUNDER 33874325	Period Covered			
		From Hour	Date	To Hour	Date
ITEM NR	TIME HR	OUT	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	REF. TJS
01	0001		(a) JOURNAL OPENED		
02	0100		(c) On SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE, DO	BLM
03	0200		(c) On SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE, DO	BLM
04	0300		(c) On SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE, DO	BLM
05	0400		(c) On SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE, DO	BLM
06	0500		(c) On SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE, DO	BLM
07	0600		(c) On SITREP neg: loc same.	BD, DO	BLM
08	0600		(c) Swift boats report a lot of movement around grid 9315. Spotted 3 sampans which were suspicious looking. Moving in to make a closer check.	DO	TJS
09	0645		(c) On SITREP neg: loc; Co A 1st / 2nd plat closed on NDP; Co B same; Co C 2nd plat closed on NDP, 3rd plat 2nd sqd enroute to NDP; Co D same; Rcn same.	DO	CL
10	0800		(c) On SITREP neg: loc; Co A 1st plat closed on NDP, all other elms same; Co B same; Co C 3925260; Co D 2nd plat 35-013307, other elms same; Rcn same.	BDE, DO	CL
11	0815		(c) At coord 3925260 Co C elm found 2 home made grens in a hooch. Also found a 1 lb explosive charge. Explosive & hooch destroyed.	BDE, DO	CL Downgraded at 3hr 1 Declassified after

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Organization or Installation 3-2/3-3 1-3 Inf			Location 12 TROOPERS BSB 76325	Period Covered					
				From 0001	To 2400	Hour 2000	Date 08 DEC 68		
ITEM NR	TIME HRS	MIN	OUT	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.			ACTION TAKEN	DETAILS	
37	2100			(a) No SITREP neg; loc same.			BOB, TO	AIR	
38	2110			(a) (late entry): Rec'd PF day & night loc at 1845H.			Posted	AIR	
39	2115			(a) (late entry): Rec'd Bn strength rept at 1830H: Co A 100, Co B 100, Co C 120, Co D 100, Co E 61, profiles 3.			Posted	AIR	
40	2115			(a) Rec'd intel rept fr Bde 82: (see 82 files).			BOB, TO	AIR	
41	2200			(a) No SITREP neg; loc same.			BOB, TO	AIR	
42	2300			(a) No SITREP neg; loc same.			BOB, TO	AIR	
43	2355			(a) No SITREP neg; loc same.			BOB, TO	AIR	
44	0000 9 Dec			0000 9 Dec: 1-3 Inf continues present mission in the S Due Pho AO At 1200H Co A detained 2 HAF's at B39200199; one HAF stated that her brother has been a VC for the past 7 yrs. At 1615H at B3800327 Sgt A. W. Howard fr Co B tripped a coily trapped 105mm rd causing his death. No other US cas were suffered during the incident. At 1745H a M-60 Scout chopper fr 123d Avn Co was downed by enemy fire at B6762358. Three of the crew members were injured badly. Co A 3d plat moved into the area of the downed chopper and secured it. At 1845H 1st plat of Co B spotted 10 VC in the open at B3830311. Artillery fire was cont					

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LZ THUNDER (B3874325) RVN
281400H DEC 68
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PRAGOND 3-68 to OPORD 16-68, Rq 4-3 Inf

Reference: Maps, South Vietnam; 1:50,000; Series L7014; Sheets 6738I, 6738II, 6838III, and 6838IV.

1. Task Organization:

A/4-3 Inf	HHC (-)/4-3 Inf
B/4-3 Inf	Battalion Control
C/4-3 Inf	C/6-11th Arty (RS)
D/4-3 Inf	
E/4-3 Inf	

2. 4-3 Inf continues offensive search operations in S Duc Pho AO to find and destroy VC main/local force units and village VC infrastructure.

3. Co A:

- 290700H DEC 68 conduct offensive search operations, NDP B3767370, with two (2) plat amb vic B3760357 and vic B3770349.
- 300700H DEC 68 conduct offensive search operations, NDP B3770400, with two (2) plat amb vic B3763393 and vic B3778402.
- 310700H DEC 68 conduct offensive search operations, NDP B3823402, with two (2) plat amb vic B3818401 and vic B3828398.

4. Co B:

- Secures and improves defensive positions LZ CHARLIE BROWN.
- 290700H DEC 68 conduct offensive search operations in AO YELLOW and AO RED.
- 300700H DEC 68 conduct offensive search operations in AO YELLOW and AO RED.
- 310700H DEC 68 conduct offensive search operations in AO YELLOW and AO RED.

5. Co C:

- 290700H DEC 68 secures and improves defensive positions LZ THUNDER.
- 290700H DEC 68 conduct offensive search operations with two (2) plats, NDP B3873325, with one (1) plat amb vic B3875347.
- 300700H DEC 68 conduct offensive search operations with two (2) plats, NDP LZ THUNDER with one (1) plat night amb vic B381322.
- 310700H DEC 68 conduct offensive search operations with two (2) plats, close LZ THUNDER 311500H DEC 68 with one (1) plat night amb.

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		From Hour	Date	To Hour	Date
3-2/3-3 B-3 Inf	LZ THUNDER BS874325	0801	28 DEC 68	2100	28 DEC 68
ITEM NR	TIME IN	TIME OUT	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	DETAILS
12	0900		(C) On STREP neg: loc; Co A 3d plat BS770342, 1st & 2nd plat moving out for todays op at 0850H; Co 3 (-) same, 2nd plat moving out fr LZ CHARLIE BROWN at 0855H; Co C same; Co D 2nd plat BS848- 301; Ren BS875225.	DO	CL
13	1000		(C) On STREP neg: loc; Co A (-) BS773- 347, 1st plat BS766340, 2nd plat BS765- 345, 3d plat BS766338; Co A wpns plat moving out for todays op; Co B (-) same, 1st plat BS905255, 2nd plat BS920190, 3d plat BS920200; Co C BS913284; Co D LZ THUNDER; Ren BS88h261.	BDE, DO	CL
14	1100		(C) On STREP neg: loc; Co A (-) NDP, 1st plat BS762344, 2nd plat BS766348, 3d plat BS762342, wpns plat BS772347; Co B 1st plat BS904248, 2nd plat BS920199, 3d plat same; Co C same; Co D same; Ren same.	DO	CL
15	1115		(C) Co C obs 3 VC evading at BS764350. VC were not carrying any wpns. Engaged w/Arty fire w/neg res.	DO, ARTY	CL

Organization or Installation	Location	Period Covered			
		From		To	
		Hour	Date	Hour	Date
8-2/3-3 1-3 Taf	LZ THUNDER BS571325	0001	28 DEC 68	2100	28 DEC 68
ITEM NR	TIME HR	ACT CAT	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	IN- TIALS
16	1230		(C) Co B found all parts for a booby trap and destroyed them in place at BS-920199.	DO	CL
17	1200		(C) At BS920199 Co B 2nd plat found med supplies in a hooch, also in same area detained 1 female 35yrs old who says her brother has been a VC for 7 yrs. An additional female was also detained.	BDE,DO	CL
18	1200		(C) On STREP neg: loc; Co A (-) BS773-367, 1st plat BS764347, 2nd plat BS766-356, 3d plat BS761337; Co B 2nd & 3d plat same, 1st plat BS901237; Co C same; Co D same; Rcn BS897265.	BDE,DO	JPC
19	1300		(C) On STREP neg: loc; Co A (-) same, 1st plat (-) same, 1st sqd BS763337, 2nd plat BS769358, 3d plat BS769358; Co B 1st plat BS909232, 2nd plat BS906199, 3d plat BS924199; Co C same; Co D base of LZ THUNDER; Rcn same.	DO	JPC
20	1350		(C) Co A at BS767358 found a tunnel complex, 1 camouflaged hooch with bunker. Near the hooch was found a sandbag with	BDE,DO	JPC
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Organization or Installation 3-2/3-3 4-3 702	Location 12 TETONIA 16074325	Period Covered				IN- TIALS
		From 0001	Date 26 DEC 68	To 2400	Date 28 DEC 68	
ITEM NR	TIME IN	TIME OUT	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.		ACTION TAKEN	IN- TIALS
20	cont		following items: 1 sewing kit, 1 bottle of methiolate, mosquito repellent, 1 pr black PJ's, and 1 ARVN type green unif.			
21	1100		(c) in STREP neg: loc; Co A (-) 33773- 347, 1st plat closing on Co (-), 2nd plat 33767358, 3d plat 33770352; co B 1st plat 33919236, 2nd plat 33906199, 3d plat closed IZ CHARLIE BROWN; Co C 33999501; Co D 33838327; Rcn 33691271.	BDE,DO	JPC	
22	1110		(c) Co A at 33767358 found 1 pr of ARVN boots, 1 US canteen, and 2 tunnels with camouflaged entrance.	BDE,DO		AJH
23	1130		(c) 1-2 armo rept called into Bde.	DO		AJH
24	1150		(c) in STREP neg: loc; Co A all arms same; Co B 1st plat closed IZ CHARLIE BROWN at 1150H; 3d plat closed IZ CHAR- LIE BROWN at 1155H; 2nd plat 33902203; Co C same; Co D 33815324; Rcn Avg 104.	DO		AJH
25	1500		(c) Co A at 33767358 found a USA ruck sack with 1 hammock, 1 pr Black PJ's, chain with lighter on it, wallet which contained papers, pictures of an M-16, notebook and a rain jacket.	BDE,DO		AJH

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ITEM NR	TIME	OUT		From	To	Hour	Date	Hour	Date
			LZ THUNDER R3871325	0001	28 DEC 68	2100	28 DEC 68		
26	1615		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.					ACTION TAKEN	TIME
			(C) In SITREP neg; loc; Co A all elms					BDE, DO	AJH
			at 36773347; Co 3 (-) LZ CHARLIE BROWN,						
			2nd plat 33902203; Co C (-) LZ THUNDER,						
			1st plat closed LZ THUNDER at 1h50M;						
			Co D (-) 33808327, 1st plat 33012321,						
			2nd plat 33808327 wons plat same loc as						
			2nd plat; Rcn closed LZ THUNDER at 1540M.						
27	1615		(C) At 33808327 1 US fr Co D hit a booby					BDE, DO, CO, S3	AJH
			trapped 105mm rd. Line 114, Sgt Howard,						
			A. W. Jr. Initially was KIA. Co D rec'd						
			no other cas.						
28	1700		(C) In SITREP neg; loc; Co A same; Co B DO						PJS
			2nd plat NIP at 33897205, 1st plat Prg						
			94; Co C LZ THUNDER; Co D (-) 33808327,						
			1st plat 33812321; Rcn same.						
29	1740		(C) Aero Scouts (123d Rvn Co) at 33762-358					BDE, DO	AJH
			had 1 aircraft downed by suspected						
			enemy fire. Two or three of the crew						
			members are hurt badly. Co A 3d plat						
			moving in to secure area.						
30	1845		(C) In SITREP neg; loc; B Trp 1st CAV					BDE, DO	AJH
			on Reg's 94, 95, 107, and 108 repts neg						
			SITREP.						

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Organization or Installation	Location	Period Covered			
		From Hour	Date	To Hour	Date
3-2/3-3 1-3 Trif	LZ THUNDER BS874325	0001	28 DEC 68	2400	28 DEC 68
ITEM	TIME				
NR	IN	OUT	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	DETAILS
31	1845		(C) Co D 1st plat at 33830311 was moving toward night amb when they saw 10 VC moving in the open. Arty called in got 3 VC KIA; remaining 7 VC ran to the SW. Neg wpns were found.	BDE, DO	AJH
32	1900		(C) Co A 3d plat at 33765358 found, in area of downed chopper, fresh food, 3 or 4 hats, 2 hooches, VN shirt drying on brush, and there was smell of fresh fires.	BDE, DO	AJH
33	1905		(C) Co A 3d plat at 33762358 closed in around the downed aircraft.		
34	1940		(C) Swift boats at 33926210 rec'd 2 rds either 81mm or 75mm. 1 rd hit water approx 200 M out; 2nd rd hit a hill approx 500 M S of first rd but same range.	BDE, DO	AJH
35	2000		(C) On STTREP neg: loc, Co A (-) NDP BS-773344, 3d plat amb 33763344, 1st plat amb 33765358; Co B, (-) same, 1st plat Brg 9h, 2nd plat 33897205; Co C same; Co D (-) NDP BS808327, 1st plat BS813312.	BDE, DO	AJH
36	2025		(C) Co A 3d plat at 33765358 detects noises around perimeter.	DO	AJH

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ITEM	TIME	ACT	12 THUNDER R/17, 325	From		To	
				Hour	Date	Hour	Date
37	2100	(C) in RTTREP neg; loc same.		20	03 18	20	03 18
38	2110	(C) (late entry); posted pp day & night. posted loc at 1845H.					
39	2115	(C) (late entry); used in strength rept at 1830H; Co A 100, Co B 100, Co C 120, Co D 100, Co E 60, profiles 3.					
40	2115	(C) rec'd intel rept fr 12s 32; (see 32 files).					
41	2200	(C) in RTTREP neg; loc same.					
42	2300	(C) in RTTREP neg; loc same.					
43	2355	(C) in RTTREP neg; loc same.					
44	1730 Summary:	1-3 Inf continues present mission in the 3 Dist Phu Nhieu. At 1200H Co B detained 2 HVTs at 13920N 091; one HVT stated that her brother has been a VC for the past 7 yrs. At 1615H at 139032N Sgt A. W. Howard fr Co B tripped a booby trap on 1730m rd causing his death. No other HVTs were suffered during the incident. At 1700H a two seat chopper fr 1230 Avn Co was downed by enemy fire at 139235N. Three of the crew members were injured badly. Co A 3d platoon moved into the area of the downed chopper and secured it. At 1845H last part of Co B spotted 10 VC in the open at 13930N. Artillery fire was laid					

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Reference: Maps, South Vietnam; 1:50,000; Series 17024; Sheets 67301, 67302, 67303, and 67304.

1. Task Organizations:

A/4-3 Inf	HC (-)/4-3 Inf
B/4-3 Inf	Battalion Control
C/4-3 Inf	C/6-11th Arty (OB)
D/4-3 Inf	
E/4-3 Inf	

2. 4-3 Inf continues offensive search operations in B Doc Pho AO to find and destroy VC main/local force units and village VC infrastructure.

3. Go As:

- 290100Z DEC 68 conduct offensive search operations, WFB 20761370, with two (2) platoons via 20760351 and via 20770349.
- 290100Z DEC 68 conduct offensive search operations, WFB 20770400, with two (2) platoons via 20761393 and via 20770402.
- 290100Z DEC 68 conduct offensive search operations, WFB 20823402, with two (2) platoons via 20811401 and via 20823400.

4. Go To:

- Secure and improve defensive positions 12 CHARLES BRONSON.
- 290100Z DEC 68 conduct offensive search operations in AO YELLOW and AO RED.
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5. Go On:

- 290100Z DEC 68 secure and improve defensive positions 12 THUNDER.
- 290100Z DEC 68 conduct offensive search operations with two (2) platoons, via 20761370 with one (1) platoon via 20770349.
- 290100Z DEC 68 conduct offensive search operations with two (2) platoons, via 12 THUNDER with one (1) platoon night via 20811322.
- 290100Z DEC 68 conduct offensive search operations with two (2) platoons, via 12 THUNDER via 20811322 with one (1) platoon night via 20811322.

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6. Co D:

- a. 290700H DEC 68 conduct offensive search operations, NDF BS80332h, with 1 plat amb vic BS799358.
- b. 300700H DEC 68 conduct offensive search operations, NDF BS790328, with one (1) plat amb BS774328.
- c. 310700H DEC 68 conduct offensive search operations, NDF BS818342, with one (1) plat amb vic BS825340.

7. Co E:

- a. Recon plat: Conduct offensive search operations from LZ THUNDER on order.
- b. Hvy Mort plat: GS LZ THUNDER.
- c. GS Sec: GS LZ THUNDER.

8. Coordinating Instructions:

- a. Units will establish company base and plats will operate vic company base.
- b. Plats will be within 30 minutes to 60 minutes march time from each other.
- c. Unit commanders will insure separate units are mutually supporting.

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Annex B: Operations Overlay

Annex A: Intelligence Overlay

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LZ THUNDER
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From

To

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ITEM NR	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	IN- TIALS
	IN	OUT			
46	1900		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	DO	CL
47	1945		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE,DO	CL
48	2100		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE,DO	CL
49	2200		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE,DO	CL
50	2300		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE,DO	CL
51	2355		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE,DO	CL
52	INFO Summary:		b-3 Inf continues present mission in S Duc Pho AO.		
			Co A KIA 1 VC female who was trying to turn a Claymore mine around and it detonated on her. Co A also found 2 VC KIA by Arty in the vic of the area where a chopper was shot down day before on the 28th of DEC. Co A also obs 6 VC evading and since NVA was circling the area an AS was placed on the 6 VC vic B3768372. No bodies were found after the AS. Also 2 500 lb bombs dropped during the AS turned out to be duds and were not located.		
			Co A detained 3 VCs who were evac'd to LZ THUNDER for further questioning. Co C 1st plat located and destroyed a tunnel complex. Co D engaged 3 VC evading with neg res but later app 1 HAM evading. Indiv was evac'd to LZ THUNDER. Res of the days ops were 3 VC KIA and 4 VCs detained.		
53	2100		(1) JOURNAL CLOSED		

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		From Hour	Date 31 DEC 68	To Hour	Date 31 DEC 68	
ITEM NR	TIME IN	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.			ACTION TAKEN	IN- TIALS
17	cont	16 to 22 yrs old. Indiv was evading up a hill at 8827364. She was carrying a box with tea and food in it. Indiv had on black PJs and also had some penicillin.				
18	1015	(C) Co B at 8816349 had 1 US DUSTOFF litter patient. Injury: broken leg. Line #164, Morris W. Indiv dusted off by CAC at 1015H.			DO, DO, SI	AJH
19	1030	(C) Co B at 8835355 rept'd that the people of a vil rept'd to the 1st plat that there was an NVVN mine field in the area.			DO	AJH
20	1100	(C) an GETREP neg: loc; Co A 1st plat same, 2nd plat 8822401, 3d plat 8823-105, wpons plat 8800109; Co B (-) LZ CHARLIE BROWN, 1st plat 8800213, 3d plat 8897765; Co C (-) LZ THUNDER, 1st plat 8889309, 2nd plat (-) 8856203, 2nd & 3d sqd 8800305, 3d plat 8856203; Co D (-) 8816342, 1st plat 8835355, 2nd plat 8816349, 3d plat 8826362, wpons plat 8816349.			DO	AJH

Organization or Installation 3-2/3-3 A-3 Inf			Location LZ THUNDER BS874325	Period Covered			
				From Hour 0001	Date 31 DEC 68	To Hour 2100	Date 31 DEC 68
ITEM NR	TIME IN OUT		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.			ACTION TAKEN	DETAILS
41	cont		same; Co B (-) BS816349, 1st plat amb BS852372, 1st sqd 1st plat amb BS853354; E Trp 1st CAV on Brg's 94, 95, 104, and 107 all neg SITREP.				
42	2000		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.			BDE, DO	CL
43	2100		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.			BDE, DO	CL
44	2200		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.			BDE, DO	CL
45	2200		(C) PF's at Brg 104 rept'd to E Trp elm that they have a suspected enemy loc at BS859288, BS4293, and BS852228.			DO	CL
46	2300		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.			BDE, DO	EMT
47	2355		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.			BDE, DO	CL
48	LOG Summary:		4-3 Inf continues present mission in S Duc Pho AC. HELIX 37 put in 3 AS. Co B with the help of Bde C&C app 4 VCS. Co C app 4 VCS. Co D app 1 VCS F who was carrying food and penicillin. Co D also app 4 VCS with the assistance of the Bde C&C. Co D also KIA 1 VC who was evading. Res of the days op were 1 VC KIA and 13 VCS detained.				
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