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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	0145	1st CAG, CAP 122, BT396160, VC made contact w/ambush with SA fire. Fire wasn't returned. Res: 1 USMC WHA (E).
3	0200	198, D/1/52, BS574965 (LZ Gator) at 0100H, 3 men in bunker, 1 left to go to latrine, when he returned the guard told him to halt and he failed to hear the command, and he was shot. The other guard who shot him is in shock. Dustoff at 0135H. Res: 1 NBK.
4	0205	196, LRRP West Orange, at 0200H heard pounding 600 meters NE, fired illum and had neg sighting. Pounding stopped.
5	0650	196, TOC, S-2, requests visual recon team from F Trp 8th Cav to report to the 2/1 Inf at 0900H and come up on the Bn Cmd Net and conduct VR AT9831 to BT0336 to AT9836. Also requests VR team for 1/6 Inf at 1130H. Operating on Bn Cmd Net to check area BT0841 and BT0840, passed to 1/1 Cav and approved by 1/1 Cav at 0820H.
6	0830	G-3, closing reports for 5/46 Inf personnel, closed at 310935H, all equipment is in except for one acft load which is due in today. Notified III MAF and USARV (MAJ McCollum).
7	0840	11th Aero Scouts (4/3) vic BS593810 at 0822H, spotted VC on ground and picked him up. Reason: VC was carrying 1 Chicom HG and 2xM26 HG, also had a magazine for MAT-49 and a document hidden in a flashlight he was carrying.
8	0843	198, D/1/46, extraction of D/1/46 to Hill 69, PZ BT413020, LZ BT463073, 1st PZ 0805H, 1st LZ 0810H, 2nd PZ 0815H, 2nd LZ 0821H, 3rd PZ 0826H, 3rd LZ 0835H, completed extraction. Gunships rec'd some SA fire south of PZ on final lift.
9	0915	39th Engr, D Co, BT087404 at 310930H, during mine sweep found body of VN w/hvy cal wpn. Notified 196 and they disposed of his body. Local villagers state VN was assassinated by the VC.
10	0945	11th, gunships from 174th Avn Bn (4/3) BS592816 at 0823H, eng'd 2 VC. Res: 2 VC KIA.
11	0945	11th, gunship from 174th Avn Bn (4/3) BS583811 at 0822H, eng'd 1 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA, 1 Chicom HG CIA and 1 web belt CIA.
12	0840	196, CPT Spoon, at 0840H, request VR and screening mission from F Trp, 8th Cav along valley from coord AT8638 for period covering 1100H-1300H, will be working with A&D Companies 4/31. Want you to come up on B Co Cmd push. Passed to 1/1 and approved by 1/1. Passed info to 196.
13	0820	11, CA of A/4/3, 1st lift at 0747H, LZ cold. CA complete at 0815H, all LZ's cold.
14	0945	11, D/4/3, BS494802 at 0928H, element detained 1 VCS, was found in a hut, and before that they found a BT, detainee had no ID card.
15	1005	198, B/1/52, has now assumed responsibility for security of Hill 54.
16	1015	11, LRRP Helen at 1007H, was inserted: AO BS6255-6251-6555-6551.
17	1030	198, A/1/46, BS441991, 1015H, found VC base camp. The camp was well established w/3 company bases in a triangle, 3 camouflaged huts built between boulders. Found chicken coop and place for 2 water buffalos. Trail activity is very heavy. Found 63 empty rocket shipping containers and nose plugs, and found 2 complete 122mm rkts at vic BT441991 at 1145H.
18	1047	2nd ARVN Div, 1 Co in contact w/est reinforced Co of VC, receiving AW fire, 60mm mortar fire, and 40mm rockets. Request gunships, A23 Duffle Pegs D. Gunships approved by LTC Balmer, Avn was notified and guns dispatched at 1105H.
19	1043	198, 1/52, 1st CA E&R, PZ 0925H, BS515912 cold, 2nd CA C16, PZ 1000H, BS498921, cold.
20	1051	198, 1/52 air lift of C26 from LAAM Site to LZ Chippewa, complete 1035H.
21	1002	CSIC, 1 aircraft, 5/46, 31 Mar, 1610H, cargo, 1 aircraft 5/46, 1 Apr, 0830H, cargo, 1 aircraft 4/21, 1 Apr, 0730H w/31 passengers. 5/46 complete.
22	1110	196, LRRP Margie, inserted at 1100H, AO AT9730-0030, AT9728-0028.
23	1129	196, F Trp, obs 3 VC in spider holes, eng'd, 3 VC KIA (C), also rec'd sniper fire at BT082325, res: 1 US WHA (minor).
24	1136	Quang Ngai Special Forces, BS4886-BS4888 W to SF AO, 030001-060600 Apr 68. Passed to 11th at 1123H, passed to SGT Futtrell, Quang Ngai 1124H.
25	1220	11, PF plat, 4/3, vic BS603805 at 1118H, 1xVC CIA, indiv had 2xHG & 1xM-1 carbine.
26	1220	11, S-2, 4/3, vic BS603805 at 1139H, found 3x60mm mortar rds.
27	1153	11, TOC, 1015-1130, APD results: BS808309, 789280, 841254, 822252, 797282, 732252, 738257, 768238, 772246, 792230, 793231.
28	1238	196, D/1/6, vic BT216454 at 0823H, found 2x60mm mortar base plates buried in ground, 1xNVA pack, 2xUS canteens, medical dressings. Will evac.
29	1239	196, F/17 Cav, vic BT015325 at 0920H, obs 4 MAM 500 meters SW evading. Eng'd w/50 cal, checked area, res: 1 VC KIA (C).
30	1240	196, vic AT988228 at 1020H, obs 1 MAM evading, eng'd w/SA, res: 1 VC KIA.
31	1227	11, Aero Scouts, 4/3, vic BS592805 at 1110H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA.

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32	1230	1/1, TOC, have asked ARVN's for AO ext into ARVN AO, it was granted from 011123H-012000H, BT207220, 2322, 2320, 218200.
33	1230	11, Aero Scout Plat 4/3, vic BS592810 at 1130H, 1xVC CIA with 1xpistol. (Interrogation) District VC Chief of Dia Loc BS578827, more to follow. SN Smith & Wesson 704060. WIA: when they went to pick him up he pulled pistol, hit him causing head wound, evac to 2nd Surg.
34	1130	196, vic BT0931, requests F Trp, 8th Cav team in support of 2/1 Inf. D/3/21 OPCON to 2/1 is receiving sporadic SA fire. 1/1 called for team. 1/1 Cav did not have team but will divert one team that is working for 1/6. Passed to 196.
35	1241	196, B/1/6, vic BT216463 at 1030H, found 5xSKS rifles, will evac, camouflaged in river bank. SN to following: #1 27325, #2 48223, #3 97-79, #4 69633, #5 J58, also found ammo, 11xM-79 rds, 200xM-60 rds linked, 100x30 cal rds linked, 122xAK-47 rds, 790x30 cal rds, carbine, loose rds, 300x9mm rds, 6xentrenching tools (US type), 1x81mm mortar rd canister.
36	1407	1/1 Cav, F/8, vic BT231413 at 1403H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA (C).
37	1408	ALO reports that IDASC just informed them there is an alternate Trail Dust for 01 Apr in Americal AO from BS7344 to BS8430, informed Chemical Officer. 11th Bde requested only part of line of target to be flown between BS7344-7740 & BS8134-8430, info passed to MAJ Chapman III MAF & CPT Timmer Ranch Hand opns. 11th Bde notified that msn would probably go at 1205H. At 1122H, mission cancelled at 1030H, info from ALO passed to 11th Bde.
38	1355	2nd ARVN, vic BS7071 at 1100H, 1/5 Bn rec'd SA, B40, 60mm fire from est 2 Co's VC, called gunships from Americal Avn at 1130H. Black Ace on station and ground troops reported enemy fire stopped about 1120H. Gunship fires put in on area from which fire was rec'd. At 1230H friendly troops entered area, initial res: 5 VC KIA, 1 IWC, 1 KHA, 13 WHA. MTF. Enemy forces believed to be from C/16 LF Company.
39	1401	1/1, A/4/3, vic BS585715 at 0945H, found 1xM-1 rifle, SN 1248328.
40	1401	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT179336 at 1400H, obs & eng'd 3 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA (C).
41	1405	1/1, A/4/3, vic BS592870 at 1130H, found MAT-49 French sub-MG, 9mm, SN A15654.
42	1413	196, D/1/20, vic AT842211 at 1410H, found a MAS-36, SN 43304, hidden in tunnel, will evac.
43	1430	196, A/3/21, vic BT073205 at 1240H, found 400 rds of M-1 ammo in a box in the bushes, destroyed in place.
44	1435	198, B36/1/46, air move, PZ BT466006, 1347H, LZ BT462072, 1421H.
45	1435	11th, PF's, 4/3, vic BS603805 at 1220H, ref journal #25, SN of CIA wpn 483757.
46	1500	196, 1147-1203H, CA by 1 plat C/3/21, started at 1147H and was completed at 1203H, LZ cold.
47	1445	196, vic AT9632, requests gunships for 02 Apr, to contact Revolver 33 on their Command Freq, combination VR & screen for A/2/1 during S&D opns. Desire team to report at 0800H. Passed to 1/1 at 1455H.
48	1508	11, C/3/1, vic BS775429 at 1502H, detained 4 VCS, 2 were evading, 1 was hiding in spider hole, 1 was leaving area.
49	1507	11, Sniffer mission, for 2nd April, AO BS7040, 7740, 7034, 7734. Request aircraft be at Duc Pho 020800H.
50	1556	11, C/3/1, vic BS775428 at 1520H, detained 4 MAM VCS, all evaded element as it swept area.
51	1510	S-2, 1st CAG, CAP L-5, BS712973, BS690913-BS687915, Local Force at these coord & VC sympathizers. No known friendlies. 198th notified.
52	1555	196th, F/8th Cav, BT061312 at 0945H, ref journal entry #23. Add 1xM-1 carbine CIA, SN 2585660.
53	1555	196th, B/1/6, BT216463 at 1030, ref journal entry # 35. Change wpns to read 4xMAS-36, 1xMossin Nagant. SN's are correct in sequence.
54	1705	11th Bde, A/4/1, at 1650H, extraction complete 1658H. Extracted to BS564888.
55	1720	196th, Lima (OP) 2/1, AT987366 at 1630H, obs 2 MAM evading 1600 meters SE. Eng'd w/106 RR, res: 1 VC KIA.
56	1730	11th Bde, Rcn/4/3, BS478835 at 1715H, detained 1 VCS, 25-30 yrs old, hiding in hole.
57	1742	1/1, F Trp/8th Cav, BT213210 at 1740H, 1 MAM eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA (C).
58	1825	1/1, A/1/1, BT232218 at 1815H, tank hit mine, size unk. 3 WHA (M), minor damage.
59	1905	11th, R/4/3, BS458844 at 1904H, moving to ambush position rec'd AW fire. Ret'd fire, res: 2 VC KIA.
60	0900	(delayed entry) CAG, CAP 133, BS661991 at 0900H, 1 VN civilian confronted by Kit Carson Scout. Scout said he knew person, recommended he be detained. Evac to Binh Son.
61	1655	(delayed entry) CLDC, SSG Banard, condition Green effective 1800H.
62	1810	Second sortie taking 6/31st Inf advance party to Bien Hoa, left 1810. All personnel have now departed.
63	1840	Avn, 1 UH1D crashed west of Gator. Crew OK. No further info at this time. 200M NW of Gator. 2 gunships in area. Hook enroute at 1915H. Neg injuries. Extracted at 1931H by hook.

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	0135	11th, LZ Bronco, receiving incoming mortar rds. MTF. 0225H, rec'd 8 rds mortar, neg damage or casualties.
3	0150	11th, 11th Bde would like to get a tracker dog team to locate mortar position vic LZ Bronco. Would pick up at 0730H at the LRRP Pad.
4	0155	198, 1/52, BS655960 at 0155H, rec'd 4 explosions near bunker #12, 3 outside of wire, 1 explosion inside wire, NCD. Feel that it was rifle grenade or RPG.
5	0230	USARV, IO Duty Officer, Duty Officer from USARV IO called and requested to know if PFC Robert H. Appley, US56706757 was presently assigned to B/1/6 and if he is present in the unit now. Called 196th and asked CPT Freeman to see if he could give any info on this. CPT Freeman called back at 0300H and said that PFC Appley had been wounded and dusted off to DaNang on 8 Feb 68 while assigned to B/1/6 TF Miracle. Checked with B/1/6 rear and they said that PFC Appley was dropped from their Morning Report on 11 Feb 68. Info was then passed to USARV IO Duty Officer.
6	0240	198, A/1/52, BS700971 at 0239H, spotted 10-15 VC, shooting illum and arty.
7	0305	1/1, Hill 10 (BT199390) and Strong Point, rec'd mortar fire. MTF. 0255H, C Trp (BT226347) rec'd 4 rcts (B-40), 8x82mm mortar rds. 0303H, B Trp (Hill 10) rec'd 4x60mm mortar rds 25 meters out. Res: 1 US WHA (M) from shrapnel.
8	0310	Tam Ky, SGT Williams, Ky Phu, east of Tam Ky, also north of Tam Ky, being hit by SA.
9	0440	196, B/1/6, BT197460 at 0433H, rec'd 2x20 rd bursts of SA fire from AZ 220° and 160°, approx. 150-200 meters from their loc, returned fire with SA. Res: unk, NCD.
10	0455	196, B/1/6, BT197460 at 0450H, 1 HG lobbed into perimeter, NCD. Rec'd 2 rds 81mm, 100 M outside perimeter, NCD.
11	0655	196, A/3/21, BT048206 at 0615H, obs 3 VC evading from hamlet to west. Engaged. Res: 1 VC KIA, age 25, no ID card or documents.
12	011700	196, B/4/31, AT849368 at 1630H, Village Chief at above coord volunteered following info: At AT8235, 8229, 9129, 9135, forming a square, is 1 NVA Regt consisting of 3 Bn w/400 men in each. Yesterday at AT844314 90 MF National Police believed they came to fight Big Flower and West Orange. At AT829344 there's a large VC/NVA tunnel complex. At AT795295 another VC/NVA tunnel complex, using these tunnels to hide in when American troops are in area. At AT795308 is a NVA rice machine, at AT7931 1 MF Co stays in village, at AT844345 is a VC squad in village believed to have 1 M-16 with them. At 8334 and 8235 many BT. AT865286 large rice cache. At AT195255 is large VC cave. More to follow.
13	0710	196, BT198460 at 0710H, requests VR for B/1/6, from 1000H to 1200H. Utilize 1/6th command freq, loc BT198460. 0715H, passed to 1/1 Cav (SP Bohning).
14	0807	196, C/3/21, BT038248 at 0730H, obs 1 VC evading, eng'd w/SA fire. Res: 1 VC KIA, had no wpn or papers.
15	0813	11th, D/3/1, BS877955 at 0808-0819H, 1st lift 0808H, LZ was cold. 2nd lift 0819H, LZ cold. 2 lifts 1000 meters NW of above coord.
16	0816	196, B/3/21, BT024218 at 0800H, detained 2 MAM evading from a hut, had no wpn, documents, or ID, will evac.
17	0820	CSIS, 9th Engr, BT259289 at 0800H, bridge blown at above coord, no ETR, road open with use of by-pass.
18	0829	1/1, F/8 Cav, AT964343 at 0820H, rec'd 1 rd AK-47, rd went through windshield, 1 WHA (M), aircraft still flyable.
19	0830	196, C/3/21, BT028255 at 0800H, obs 1 VC evading 400 meters west from loc. Eng'd w/SA. Res: 1 VC KIA, w/blk PJ's and no ID card, no wpn, papers, or documents, was 20-22 years of age.
20	0850	1/1, C/1/1, BT260285 at 0835H, ACAV hit mine. Res: 1 WHA (E), lost his leg. MTF. 0910H, C/1/1 had 2 KHA, 2 WHA (E). USCM: 1 KHA and 1 WHA.
21	0855	11, B/3/1, BS816400 at 0847H, eng'd 2 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA, 1 VC WIA/CIA.
22	0940	196, B/3/21, BT025213 at 0900H, obs 2 MAM evading 200 west of position. Eng'd w/SA. Res: 1 VC KIA, CIA 1xAK-47 SN 99473617.
23	0950	11th, B/3/1, BS816400 at 0943H, detained 1 VCS in the same area where they had contact at 0847H.
24	1015	198, B/1/14, will move from Fat City to Hill 54 at 1100H by vehicle.
25	1030	1/1, C/1/1, BT260285 at 0835H, ref journal entry #20, total results of track hitting mine and follow up report. 2 KHA, 2 WHA (E), C/1/1. Marines: 4 WHA (E), track combat loss, crater left 8' W x 6' deep hole, believed to be nitro-starch mine.
26	1030	11, Rcn/4/3, BS468833 at 0834H, detained 1 female VCS, picked up while following blood trail of VCS wounded earlier. Did not find WIA.
27	1031	11th, B/4/3 and C/1/20 of TF Barker, extraction complete as of 1020H. C to Dottie, B to Dottie and Uptight.
28	0845	198, request for area scout company support. Will work in area as follows: western boundary NS 64 GL, E boundary 68 NS GL, S boundary 00 EW GL, N is ocean. Call sign: Ranger 33 on command freq, go to LZ Ann for briefing. Mission: conduct aerial recon of area and conduct combat opns if required. No friendly troops in area. Time on station: ASAP. Duration of mission approx 4 hrs. Passed to Avn and mission to be accomplished. 198th DO notified of approval 0925H.

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29	1010	196, AT964343, request a hvy team from F Trp/8th Cav to pick up bodies and wpns, requested by F Trp/8th Cav VR team. Request cancelled by MAJ Beardon, passed to 1/1 Cav.
30	1116	11th, Aero Scouts TF Barker, BS725895 at 1100H, detained 3 VCS that were evac to LZ Dottie for questioning.
31	1130	11, D/3/1, BS758558 at 1045H, found 1 VC hiding in tunnel, he wouldn't come out. Used HG. Res: 1 VC KIA, checking tunnel for more bodies. 1200: follow-up: continued search of tunnel resulting in 2 VCS WIA/CIA.
32	1138	196, C/2/1, BT018324 at 1000H, obs 1 MAM w/wpn and blk PJ's evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, CIA 1xK-44 SN 1242020, wpn was in fair condition.
33	1138	196, C/2/1, BT018324 at 0939H, obs 1 MAM w/wpn, blk PJ's who was evading. Res: 1 VC KIA, CIA 1xM-16 rifle SN 160587. 2xM26 HG, 1 bayonet, wpn and equip evac, wpn was in good condition.
34	1139	196, F/8 Cav, AT975345 at 0930H, obs 1 MAM wearing blk PJ's and web gear, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
35	1139	196, F/8 Cav, AT964343 at 0926H, obs 1 MAM w/wpn, brown uniform, evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA. Did not pick up wpn.
36	1140	196, F/8 Cav, AT964343 at 0835H, obs 10 MAM, some w/wpns, green & khaki uniforms, evading, eng'd, res: 4 VC KIA. Did not recover wpns. Acft rec's SA fire, res: 1 US WHA (E) w/eye injury.
37	1155	11, A/3/1, BS863342 at 1125H, found in tunnel, 6xM26 HG, 1xChicom HG, 1xM-14 rifle SN 1110977, 4 VCS CIA.
38	1205	1/1, C/1/1, BT260285 at 1130H, 5 ton wrecker hit mine while retrieving ACAV. Res: 2 Marines KHA, 6 Marines WHA (E), 1 WHA (M) from HQ's Trp 1/1. Truck had right rear tires blown off.
39	1220	196, F/8 Cav, BT190470 at 1200H, obs several MAM evading across river, eng'd w/M-60 MG, res: 2 VC KIA.
40	1220	198, B/1/14, N/A, 3 guns completed moving to Hill 54 at 1201H. Reference journal entry # 24.
41	1255	1/1, B/1/1, BT213434 at 1245H, 1 VC hiding in trench, as troops approached he threw HG and ran. Res: 2 WHA (M).
42	1130	1/1, C/1/1, BT260285 at 1130H, additional results of mine incident: 1 US WHA (E) from HQ Troop, final results: 2 KHA (Marine), 9 WHA (E), (6 Marines, 2 HQ Trp 1/1 Cav, 1 WHA C Trp 1/1 Cav). Reference journal entry #38.
43	1315	SGT Bricks, S-2, C/39 Engr, BS717697 at 0929H, rec'd SA sniper fire from BS727603 during mine sweep. Ret'd fire, neg casualties or results.
44	1320	11th, LRRP Helen, BS633518 at 1253H, presently observing what might be an aid station. Obs 2 males dressed in white coats and several other individuals. Obs 3 women carrying baskets into village. Coord of aid station BS625525.
45	1326	196, CPT Spoon, 196th requests F Trp, 8th Cav that was working with 2/1 and killed 4 VC to go back to area to try to locate the bodies for troops looking for them to get wpns. Called 1/1 at 1328H. Approved by 1/1 at 1405H, passed to 196th.
46	1348	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT220437 at 1343H, obs and eng'd 1 camouflaged sampan, res: sampan destroyed.
47	1353	11th, B/3/1, BS815408 at 1335H, eng'd 2 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 VC WIA/CIA, Dustoff complete. Detained 2 VCS because of altered ID's.
48	1415	1/1, C/1/1, BT260285 at 0835H, ref journal entry #20, C/1/1 ACAV hit mine, as of 1415H: 1 WHA died, total now for incident is: 3 KHA, 1 WHA (E), 4 WHA (E) Marines.
49	1430	1/1, C/1/1, BT226347 at 0255H, rec'd 4 rkts and 8 mortar (60mm) rds, 1 WHA wounded in hip, was not dusted off.
50	1400	11th, request people sniffer mission at BS7034, 7734, 7040, and 7740. Request acft at 0800H for mission. Passed to Avn and G-2.
51	1430	2nd ARVN, CPT Seaway, BS7467, ARVN's in contact with 1 Co of VC. Request gunships. Call Sign is Brown Ground Alpha with A/21 as freq designator. LTC Balmer approved request. Avn informed at 1440H. Passed info to CPT Seaway at Quang Ngai.
52	1440	11th, D/3/1, BS760526 at 1400H, eng'd 2 VC evading. Res: 2 VC WIA/CIA, Dustoff complete at 1415H.
53	1445	1/1, F Trp, 8th Cav, BT213434 at 1440H, F Trp, 8th Cav has inserted their infantry with B/1/1, 3rd Plat, at 1440H.
54	1500	USARV, G-3 EAC 211, CPT Carlton, desires to know if advance party from Duster unit is desirable or required. Two officers in unit at present time. Passed to Arty for action.
55	1505	11, C/3/1, BS810440 at 1405H, had sporadic fire last 1/2 hour. Res: 4 VC KIA, 3 VC CIA, 2xM26 HG CIA, 8xChicom HG CIA, 1xSKS CIA SN 7057059, and some documents.
56	1505	11th, A/3/1, BS890320 at 1445H, eng'd 2 VC evading. Res: 1 VC WIA/CIA, Dustoff on its way.
57	1515	11th, 11th TOC (CPT Henderson), BS5763, N/A, 11th has ok'd snatch mission for 2nd ARVN vic BS5763.
58	1430	FSE, CPT Ellis, 1400H, B/1/14 Arty closed Hill 54 at 1400H.
59	1558	1/1, F/8 Cav, 1555H, Inf plat, F/8 Cav, extracted 1555H.
60	1615	196, A/1/20, AT815245, N/A, receiving sniper fire from ridge 400 meters away. Can't get to them. Request F Trp, 8th Cav assistance. (AT826426) are friendly cords. Passed to 1/1 and approved at 1630H.
61	1615	196, A/2/1, AT964343, while checking area found 1 dead female in a ditch wearing an NVA pistol belt, also found 30 rds K-44 ammo, equip to be evac. Search of area continues: previously reported ref journal entry #36.

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63	1620	196, F Trp, 17th Cav (A/1/6 AO), BT096365 at 1545H, obs 1 MAM wearing blk PJ's and gray shirt evading. Eng'd w/SA resulting in 1 VC KIA.
64	1620	196, F Trp, 8th Cav (A/2/10 AO), AT957340 at 1515H, obs 2 MAM evading. Eng'd w/M-60 resulting in 2 VC KIA, 1 wearing blk PJ's, the other a green uniform.
65	1627	196, A/2/1, AT964343 at 1130H, found following equipment: 4xclips M-1 ammo, 8xclips K-44 ammo, 1xAK-47 magazine, 1xUS pistol belt, 2xUS ammo pouches, 2xUS bayonets, 2xUS canteens, 2xM26 HG, 3xUS first aid pouches. Will evac. Ref journal entry #36.
66	1630	11, C/3/1, BS785445, 1620H, element rec'd sniper fire, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
67	1630	11, A/3/1, BS877342 at 1125H, have found 1 K-44 rifle, SN 3015798.
68	1655	1/1, F Trp, 8th Cav, BT200237 at 1650H, eng'd and killed 1 VC.
69	1656	S-2, 39th Engr, C/39 Engr, BS723573 at 1430H, 2 ARVN WHA (E) by enemy M-79 on QL-1, called Medevac, completed 1430H. Continuing mission of working on bridge.
70	1700	CLDC HQ, SGT Barnard, effective 021800H, condition Green alert status.
71	1755	196, A/2/1, F/8 Cav, AT982323 at 1613H, obs what appeared to be rocket launcher, opened fire on it and it blew up. At AT980323 obs 2 MAM in green uniforms evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
72	1738	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT208262 at 1735H, obs 1 MAM evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
73	311345	(delayed entry) 198th, 198th TO, request AO ext in RZ, with N boundary 94 E-W grid line, W boundary 41 N-S grid line, S boundary Tra Bong River from 030600H to 071800H Apr 68. Contacted Special Forces. A CA is planned for B/1/52 into northern part of area with them to sweep in an arc to the west, then push east toward C/1/52 in the 198th AO. It has been a while since they have operated in this area and it is always a trouble spot. They had a chopper downed there about 6 Mar. Approved by SGT Johnson SF liaison office at Quang Ngai at 021430H. Approved by CG 021845. Passed to 198th (SGT Betucci).
74	011630	(delayed entry) 196th, request AO ext for PO 030600-031800H, BT1637 to BT2037 to BT2034 to BT1334. They will coordinate with 1/1 & Thang Binh. Passed to 2nd ARVN at 1750H. 021306H cleared by CPT Tap, Quang Ngai, through PFC Seales. 196th plans CA into area and will bring ground Cav in from West. Grid square BT1735 reported as being enemy base area, from CPT Norris, 196th. 196th SGT Oddson notified 1843H 2 Apr that ext was approved. Requested that MAJ Beardon be notified.
75	1700	1/1, F/8 Cav, delete entry #18, same incident as entry #36.
76	2030	III MAF, COC, rec'd a message from MACV which states that the term "Search & Destroy" will no longer be used. The following terms will be substituted: Combat Sweep, Offensive Sweep, Recon in Force, and Combat Patrol. Passed to all Bdes & 1/1 Cav 020040H.
77	1900	196th, C/2/1, BT068274 at 1740H, obs 1 MAM 150 meters S evading. Eng'd w/SA, res: 1 VC KIA.
78	1900	11th, LRRP Helen, 1900H, at present observing 61 bodies moving SW vic BS615523, spread over 1/2 mile area and carrying weapons.
79	2005	1st CAG, CAP 125, BT400118 at 1830H, made contact with 4 to 5 VC. Res: 1 WHA (minor), 1 VC KIA (C), 1 IWC AK-47.
80	2022	198, A/1/46, BT467067 at 1955H, 1 US shot himself in right ankle while on bunker guard.
81	2030	2d ROK Bde, ROK officer (CPT Sou) MIG at Hoi An says they picked up VCS that says he is Doan Thonh Can, 2 LT, ARVN. Supposed to be working for 2nd Bn, 2nd Regt of Amcal Div. Would like Amcal to check it out.
82	2115	11th Bde, C/3/1, BS746408 at 1430H, eng'd & killed 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA (C).
83	2008	196th, B/1/6, BT194480 at 2008H, in contact at this time. 2035 rec'd sniper fire, mortar fire, and believed catapulted satchel charge. NCD, arty called and gunships on station. 2055H, rec'd 2 mortar rds, 6xM-79 rds and SA. Gunship rec'd ground fire, no hits. One secondary explosion by gunship. 2100H all quiet. No casualties. One mortar rd hit pile of 81mm mortars causing secondary explosion.
84	2400	Opns Summary: Amcal Div units cont'd to conduct offensive sweeps in zone w/light contact reported. In Opn Muscatine, B/4/3 was extracted from vic BS7283 to LZ Dottie (BS630855) and LZ Uptight (BS725856), completing at 1030H. In the Duc Pho area of operations, D/3/1 conducted a CA at 0819H to vic BS779557, cold LZ. In the Chu Lai TAOR, B/1/14 Arty moved from BT434080 to Hill 54 (BT396145) closing at 1400 hrs.
85	2400	Journal Closed.

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	022243	(delayed entry) 1st CAG, CAP 123, BT483115, spotted 3 VC running, eng'd. Res: 1 VC WIA, 1xAK-47, 4xChicom grenades, 4xAK-47 mags CIA.
3	0315	198, 1/46, 26th Engr, BT433079 at 0045H, rec'd 2 mortar rds outside perimeter. 0210H, rec'd 1 mortar rd outside perimeter. 0310H, rec'd 2 mortar rds w/SA fire. Res: 1 WHA (minor).
4	0725	Tam Ky, CAP K-3, BT482112, ambush eng'd unk size enemy force. Res: 1xAK-47 CIA. 2210H, contact broken.
5	0705	11th, B/3/1, BS790385, plat in contact, moved into loc to relieve some PF's who had been wounded. Ran into unk size force VC. No casualties at this time. MTF. 0745H, firing has ceased. E Trp getting tracks ready to check area. RF's had 1 KHA, 4 WHA and 1 MHA. No US casualties.
6	0750	26th Engr, S-3, south aerial recon, Chu Lai to Duc Pho, completed with neg results.
7	0755	26th Engr, B/26th Engr, mine sweep from Chu Lai to Binh Son completed at 0755H w/neg results.
8	0815	196, A/3/21, BT072204 at 0750H, rec'd 15 rds SA fire 300 meters west of night loc. Did not return fire, but sent element to check it out. (Night location is BT072204).
9	0832	11th, C/3/1, CA complete. 1st lift, LZ 0808H cold, 2nd lift, LZ 0830H cold. LZ vic BS621531.
10	0835	11th, A/4/3, BS525888 at 0810H, hit 2 BT's, res: 3 US WHA (E), 1 US KHA.
11	0850	196th, D/1/20, AT815245, Light Team from F/8th Cav requested for D/1/20. Team should be on 1/20 command push and report ASAP. D/1/20 feels that there are VC on ridge that D/1/20 cannot get to. Passed to 1/1 for approval. 1/1 approved request at 0910H, passed to 196th.
12	0910	198, Aero Scouts, BT667011 at 0855H, obs 1 MAM evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
13	0925	198, TOC, reports road is clear from Tam Ky to Binh Son.
14	0926	11th, B/3/1, BS775385 at 0915H, made contact with VC element. 1 US WHA (E). Gunships on station. E/1 Cav moving into area.
15	0932	196, A/1/6, 1st lift at (0908H PZ) LZ 0916H cold, 2nd lift (PZ 0917H) LZ 0921H cold. Was completed vic BT1735.
16	0945	198, A/1/46, BT421048 at 021530H, US hit punji stick, res: 1 US WHA (minor).
17	0950	198th, C/1/52, 0946H, CA by C/1/52 completed at 0946H into a cold LZ. PZ was at BT512898. 1st lift, 0904H, LZ BT429882, 2nd lift, 0917H, LZ BT429882, 3rd lift, 0925H, LZ BT430890, 4th lift, 0946H, LZ BT429882.
18	1000	11th, B/3/1, 0915H, contact broken as of 1000H.
19	1000	1/1, TOC, road clear from Tam Ky to LZ Baldy.
20	1010	11th, A/4/3, revision of casualties on 0810H contact, journal entry #10, change casualties to read 5 WHA (E), 1 KHA, cause of casualties have been determined to be booby trapped HG's.
21	1023	196, A/1/20, AT822244 at 0825H, obs 2 MAM 800 meters west evading. Eng'd w/M-60. Res: 1 VC KIA.
22	1025	S-2, 39th Engr, BS717598 at 0935H, enemy SA fire from BS725598, returned AW/SA fire and continued mine sweep.
23	1050	11th, A/3/1, BS865337 at 1043H, found in a hedgerow 1xMAS-36 SN 99313, rifle French.
24	1053	196, F/17 Cav, BT009322 at 0935H, obs 3 MAM 700 meters NE evading. Eng'd w/50 cal, checked area and found 1 VC KIA, VC in blk PJ's w/no weapons, ID card, or documents.
25	1058	196, F/8 Cav, BT180475 at 0955H, obs 1 MAM evading to east, eng'd w/M-60, res: 1 VC KIA.
26	1114	196, LRRP Marie, Marie extracted at 1110H. LRRP Jeanie will be inserted tomorrow.
27	1155	11th, APD, 1030-1145H, hot spots: BS758398, BS704334, 754398, 748398, 744398, 761371, 758371, 727347, 724348, 734335, 731335, 709334, 705334.
28	1035	11th, Tra Bong SF Camp, BS304855, patrol from Tra Bong SF Camp in contact w/est VC company and request gunships. 11th has none available. Call sign of patrol is "Evil Doer" w/freq of 45.80. Gunships are available from Avn. Approved by G-3 at 1043H and 11th notified. Guns dispatched from Duc Pho at 1105H.
29	1115	198th, A/1/46, BS424983 at 1100H, located possible VC base camp, recently used. Had 12 huts and 25 underground living quarters, 3 BT Chicom grenades, 5xM17 gas masks, 1xM-60 MG barrel, and cooking equipment.
30	1140	196, D/1/6, BT090463 at 0940H, obs 3 MAM 400 meters NW evading. Engaged w/SA, checked area and found 1 female KIA.
31	1154	11th, A/4/3, BS525888 at 0810H, ref journal entries #10 & #20, hit BT HG. 4 US EHA (evac). Engr hit another BT (Bouncing Betty). Res: 1 KHA, 2 WHA (E), 8 WHA (M), total results of 2 BT: 1 KHA, 6 WHA (E), 8 WHA (M).
32	1207	11th, C/3/1, BS625525 at 1000H, eng'd 5 VC. Res: 5 VC KIA, CIA documents, med supplies, destroyed 2 VC fags, 1 medical hut w/4 beds inside. Results of LRRP sighting yesterday.
33	1319	196, B/1/6, BT145470 at 1140H, obs 3 MAM jump out from bushes, 200 meters west and fire on friendly. Returned fire. Checked area, res: 1 VC KIA (female).

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34	1330	198, TOC, BS453956 at 1130H, LRRP Sue inserted.
35	1354	11th, C/3/1, BS617537 at 1345H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
36	1411	2nd ARVN LNO, BA To SF, BS558328 at 1410H, request 2 gunships to support SF patrol in contact w/est VC Co. G-3 notified, Avn notified. Gunships will be sent. CPT Johnson, Quang Ngai, was notified. Gunships departed for Ba To at 1420H.
37	1425	Notified 11th Bde of Trail Dust scheduled in their area at 040835H April in area BS9425-9422-9123-9122. Request clearance for mission and authority to return fire for fire. 1440H, 11th Bde denied approval, area pacified at this time.. 1445H, ALO (MAJ Bukema) notified of denial and requested they notify I DASC.
38	1610	11th, S-2, request people sniffer mission for 4 April 68. AO BS6250 to BS7050, BS6238 to BS7038. Aircraft to report to LZ Bronco at 0800H.
39	1508	11th, A/3/1, BS874341 at 1430H, detained 1 VCS.
40	1509	11th, D/3/1, BS706569 at 1440H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA, Medevac.
41	1627	1/1, C/1/1, BT325304, picked up 1 Chieu Hoi, detained and bringing him in now. MTF.
42	1642	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT261371 at 1540H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
43	1653	11th, C/3/1, LRRP Helen, 1650H, LRRP Helen was extracted 1650H. C/3/1 was extracted to LZ Liz at 1650H.
44	1655	CLDC, effective 1800H, alert condition will be Green.
45	1718	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT261371 at 1715H, Eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
46	1718	1/1, A/1/1, BT261371 at 1717H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 IWC.
47	1800	1/1, F/8, BT261371 at 1756H, 1 MAM evading, 1 VC KIA.
48	1803	196th, Rcn/3/21, BT019253 at 1712H, obs 1 MAM evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
49	1810	11th, D/4/1, BS725555 at 1735H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VCS WIA/CIA.
50	1815	196th, D/3/21, BT080344 at 1805H, obs 1 MAM evading. Warning shots fired but he refused to halt, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
51	1830	Tam Ky, BT208189, BT208200, two VC plat are located at the above location. 1930H, 1/1 fired arty on above location. Res: unk.
52	1932	196th, D/3/21, BT078362 at 1858H, obs 1 MAM evading 200 meters SW. Eng'd w/SA. Res: 1 VC KIA. Black PJ's, no ID card.
53	1933	196th, B/3/21, BT005210 at 1815H, found hootch 1m x 1m x 2m, built on stilts in hvy brush, electronic cache. 2 blasting mach, 1 amp meter, 6 weather cases (4" x 3" x 1"), 2 headsets w/jacks, 2 boxes of headsets, 2 long tubes w/switch & female plug, 150-200m WD-1 wire (commo). Will evac tomorrow.
54	2020	196th, D-U-C (D), 4/31, at 2010H, Chieu Hoi will lead them to a rice cache 878387. 10 VC w/wpns are guarding rice. There are BT in area. Unk number VC at that loc, 875386. They have spider holes and fox holes. Chieu Hoi has worked for VC for 2 yrs. He carried rice from N of An Hoi to above loc. VC morale is low due to large number of deaths. He was wounded a few months ago by arty. He sometimes carried a shotgun.
55	2025	196th, B/2/1, at 2010H, National Police w/B Co say VC have large base camp at AT9139 w/approx 40 VC there. The police will lead US and point out trails to loc. 40 VC go nightly to grid AT9236 to relieve sexual urges.
56	2050	196th, D/1/20, AT850208 at 1030H, found 1 Stevens shotgun, SN 61190, lying in open. Res: 1 IWC.
57	2050	196th, A/1/20, AT816254 at 1155H, rec'd SA fire from W of loc. Res: 4 US WHA (evac).
58	2050	196th, E/3/21, BT038255 at 1950H, on way to ambush loc, obs 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA, 1xM26 HG, documents, and an ID.
59	2055	196th, B/3/21, BT007208 at 1920H, detained 1 NVA on way to their night loc. He is 50 yrs old. The PRU said he is returning from NVA hospital. He went there for eye operation. He has been travelling at night for 4 days. He doesn't know where hospital is.
60	2025	1st CAG, CAP 13, BS702936, BS696933-693927 at 2015H, 21st NVA Bn, 400 strong, loc at An Thoi, coord BS696933. Also Nam Yen, BS693927. These villas are providing food and shelter. Wpns include 1x60mm, 1x81mm, 1x50 cal MG, 3xM-60 MG, unk number M-79, unk number LAW's, variety of M-16 carbines, SKS, AK-44's, AK-47's. Mission to attack Thouc Thien by way of CAP 135.
61	2100	1st CAG, CAP 134, BS624013 at 1835H, Vo Van Tin, VN has possible plague. Medevac to 2nd Surg.
62	2105	1st CAG, CAP 124, BT469079 at 2015H, 1 VN female having trouble giving birth. Medevac to 2nd Surg at 2030H.
63	2110	1st CAG, CAP 111, BT343189 at 2015H, rec'd info from PF. 20 VC are expected to mortar CAP 111, possibly tonight. Classification: C3.
64	2115	11th, Binh Son, BS601923 at 1715H, District Chief gave order to CO of 9/13 Co to move half of men to other bridge. LT did not accept order & pistol whipped Chief, fired 4 shots at Chief. Chief shot LT w/M-16 in legs. Both dusted off.

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	0045	196th, Fire Fly at 2230-2345H, destroyed 41 sampans between BT168528-BT238417. All were beached except one which was heavily loaded. Fire Fly rec'd SA fire from 170505 and 160516, returned fire, silenced source.
3	0210	11th, E Trp, BS887288 at 0200H, rec'd 1 rd 57RR. Returning fire w/50 cal and M-60. NCD.
4	0225	198th, CAP K-5, BS713975 at 0135H, unk person threw M26 HG into one village hut. 1 male and 1 female WHA. Dustoff called, completed 0205H.
5	0230	1st CAG, CAP 135, BS712973 at 0130H, heard explosion Phuac Thuan village. Before leaving CP, people brought Kit Carson scout named Ra and wife to CP. People said someone threw M26 grenade into his house. Both legs blown off. Emergency Medevac to 2nd Surg at 0210H.
6	0750	1/1, request for Fire Fly mission to be flown between 2200-2400H between BT240416 and BT345295. Report 2130H to Hill 29 w/Fire Fly and 2 gunships.
7	2345	(delayed entry) 11th Bde, CPT Holbrook, request the AO ext south of the 4/3 be extended until 101800H April 68. It is due to run out 041800H April 68. They want to protect rice harvest in the area. Request for above extension to Quang Ngai 030345H, approved by 2nd ARVN, LT Be, 040810H. 0900H, request approved by CG. CPT Henderson, of 11th Bde notified at 0907H.
8	0747	196, C/3/21, BT044237 at 0730H, obs 2 VC evading from hut going SW at 150 to 200 meters. Eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, documents CIA and will be evac.
9	1030	DaNang, 525th MI Group, on 25 Mar 68, BS394967, on 23 Mar 68 approx 60 civilian laborers, under the supervision of VC soldiers, were constructing a mound for surface-to-surface rockets in the vic of BS394967 on a 600 meter level area. A 1.5 meter high by 40 meter square base was being built. The base formed of logs and earth. On the base 1 4 meter high wooden mount would be set up. The construction site was protected by a well-armed VC company. It was disclosed that the construction would be completed by the end of Mar 68. It was disclosed that the VC would launch surface-to-surface rockets from this site against Chu Lai Air Base and other US and ARVN military installations in Ly Tin District, Quang Tin Province. Source obs the site while there with a VC Cadre. Source is reliable. Regimental size units have been reported in area.
10	0945	196, 4/31, AT887399, request VR mission from F Trp, 8th Cav at 1100H for 4/31 for 3 hrs in areas of AO bounded by (1) 88 to 91 NS line and 36 to 41 EW line and (2) 49 to 86 NS line and 31 to 36 EW line. Passed to 1/1 Cav at 0953H. 1/1 feels mission is better suited for FAC. 196 still wants F/8th team (CPT Spahn) at 1040H. Passed to 1/1. Mission cancelled by 196 at 1055H in deference to another mission by F/8th for 196 to make a possible snatch of 6 NVA and 2 Americal soldiers.
11	1015	196, D/4/31, AT8232, request tracked dog team to go to area where D/4/31 engaged VC and killed one. There are blood trails in the area and want the tracker team to follow these trails. Passed to tracker team and they have one available. G-3 gave approval for use of helicopter to take the team to AT8232. Avn called for helicopter to pick up team from LRRP Pad at 1035H. Team diverted to work with B/3/21 to work with operation in pursuit of 6 NVA and 2 American soldiers (1055H).
12	1026	11th, C/3/1, BS763427, 0955H, detained 1 VC suspect, had no ID card.
13	1026	11th, D/3/1, BS732568 at 1002H, detained 2 VC suspects.
14	1035	196, B/3/21, AT993218, requests F/8 Cav heavy team to make a VR and possible "snatch" of 2 American soldiers and 6 NVA spotted at BT000200 at approx 1030H. B/3/21 engaged the 6 NVA at 150 meters, request approved by 1/1 and G-3 at 1050H.
15	1040	198, A/1/52, BS691931 at 0950H, track hit 2xM14 mines and 1xM16 mine. No casualties or damage.
16	1040	198, CAP 113, BT325182 at 0946H, requested a Dustoff for 3 VN wounded from shrapnel, don't know who wounded them.
17	1050	196, D/4/31, AT829331 at 0835H, obs 5 MAM w/wpns 500 meters SW evading. Eng'd w/SA and called arty. Res: 1 VC KIA, was wearing NVA pack and found fresh blood trail.
18	1053	11th, D/3/1, BS744568 at 0940H, obs 1 VC evading, eng'd. Res: 1 VC WIA, CIA 1 pistol belt, and 1 HG.
19	1045	11th, Sniffer mission, 0900-1015H, result of Sniffer mission: 618495, 677446, 663424, 659405, 649385, 680390, 619477, 709446, 666419, 667405, 652388, 682391, 631479, 687431, 675422, 670411, 659390, 686405, 701502, 698428, 682423, 680415, 673398, 692398.
20	1117	196, LRRP Jeanie, 1050H inserted. LRRP Irene, 1110H inserted.
21	1059	196, C/4/31, AT882387 at 0900H, a company with a Chieu Hoi was led to a rice cache which consisted of 3 tons of rice which was in a bin. It will be evac.
22	1100	11th, C/3/1, BS776425 at 1050H, 1 US WHA (E) when he fell into a punji pit, also found 5 other punji pits, all destroyed.
23	1200	196, Tam Ky Intsum, BT278217, on 2 Apr, ARVN's captured 2 PW's at BT278217. They were carrying 1xB-41 and 1xAK-47. One was an NVA who said his unit infiltrated through Quang Nam (P) in Jan 68 to build up 31st Regt. On 24 March assigned to Thang Binh coastal area to coordinate w/(D) troops to form an AT section made up of (cont'd)

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23	1200	(cont'd) 9 other NVA from 31st Regt and 18 VC from (D). Their equip is 2xB-40 and 3xB-41. They were on a recon mission when captured. States that the 31st Regt loc vic AT9237 to prepare for 2nd Phase of offensive.
24	1230	198th, 1/46, BT450051 at 1200H, PF element at above coord made contact w/approx company size unit of VC, firing arty at this time. Res: 1 PF KHA, 1 PF WHA, no enemy casualties at this time.
25	1235	196th, B/3/21, BT000200, request return of F/8th Cav team that was working with B/3/21 morning of 04 April in pursuit of 6 NVA and 2 Americans. Mission to last 90 minutes. Request them on station ASAP. Passed to 1/1 Cav, approved by 1/1 Cav at 1240H and dispatched.
26	1250	196th, B/3/21, BT000200, request another tracker team to go to area where 1st tracker team is working in search of 6 NVA and 2 Americans. Avn has helicopter available. Tracker team is not available. Passed to 196th.
27	031935	(delayed entry) TOC, requested from 2nd ROK Bde, the AO extension from BT140505 north-north east up river and east on river to South China sea, for period 050600H to 071900H (requested islands in or out). Passed to SP Pierce and discussed with CPT Coggershall. Approved by ROK's (CPT Coggershall) 041120H. Does not include the islands.
28	1306	196, D/3/21, BT060313 at 1140H, obs 1 MAM 100 meters SW evading, eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA, no wpns, ID, or documents.
29	1323	196, E/3/21, air move to BT005199 complete 131H. LZ was secure.
30	1338	11th, C/3/1, BS765432 at 1300H, detained 1 VCS evading.
31	1215	TOC, TO, 11th Bde, Trail Dust warning order for 7 Apr 68, time: 0820H, target between BS7244-BS8331, request clearance. Time notified: 041215H, cleared by 11th Bde at 041335H, ALO notified of clearance 041345H.
32	0338	11th, C/3/1, BS765417 at 1300H, detained 3 VCS evading.
33	1353	11th, S-2 TF Barker, BS626854 at 1330H, VN turned in 6 WP HG, 5 frag HG, 3 lbs TNT, 5xM-79 rds, Engr destroyed.
34	1353	11th, D/3/1, BS738568 at 1315H, hit BT HG, res: 4 US WHA (E).
35	1400	196th, C/1/6, will CA into LZ at BT102472 between 1630-1700H, PZ Charger Hill.
36	1403	196, D/1/20, AT923244 at 1320H, eng'd 1 VC evading from hedgerow. Res: 1 VC KIA, he had a document on him, the document had a red star on it. Will evac document.
37	1406	198th, PF plat, BT440055 at 1400H, PF plat reported in contact. Sending 3 tracks from 198 to loc, putting arty on loc. Tracks will stop at Ly Tin to pick up advisor and additional PF's. MTF.
38	1300	196, D/4/31, AT887399, request VR again, ref journal entry #10. Passed to 1/1, 1/1 says they cannot run this mission until their heavy team returns from working with 3/21. Will try to run it later this afternoon. Passed to 196th.
39	1426	198, 1/46, BT440055, ref PF plat contact, request Aero Scout section on 15 min standby to support, if required. Avn officer notified at 1427H. 198 notified. Acft available on 15 min standby.
40	1430	198th, requested 2 Slicks and 2 gunships to report to Hill 69 to airlift a reaction force to support a PF unit in contact. Avn notified and has assets available, G-3 approved. Avn notified of approval.
41	1458	196, D/1/20, AT928256, 1400H, obs 2 MAM evading. Eng'd w/SA, checked area and found 2 blood trails, while following blood trails obs 4 more MAM, eng'd hut with M-79. Res: 1 VC KIA, 1xK-44 SN H6719, 30xrds K-44 ammo, 1xNVA pistol belt, 1xUS ammo pouch, but was destroyed, and equip evac.
42	1500	196th, TOC, request a dog team to replace one being used as the dog is very fatigued. Team #2 still not available. There are no dog teams available at DaNang according to LT Bell. Called DaNang and no dog teams available.
43	1530	11th, S-2, requests 1 A/C to report to LZ Bronco at 0800H to run APD mission vic BS8324-BS8830.
44	1549	196, C/1/46, BT450051 at 1542H, detained 1 VC, will evac to IPW cage.
45	1550	1/1 and 196, TOC's, acknowledge receipt of Frag order #23-68.
46	1648	11th, Ref journal entry #19, should read 1 VC KIA.
47	1550	198, D/1/46, 1600H, D/1/46 CA 1 plat into area BT433052, LZ cold. Also 198 have 3 tracks in blocking positions at coord BT430058, BT435064, and BT436066.
48	1550	196, S-2, request Sniffer mission to be run 5 Apr 68, AO BT0021, BT0420, BT0115, BT0615, request 2 ships at LZ Baldy 1000H.
49	1602	196, D/4/31, AT827334 at 1540H, obs 5 MAM w/packs 300 meters NE moving toward B/4/31. Eng'd w/SA. Res: 1 NVA KIA, green uniform and pack. Still checking area.
50	1625	CLDC, condition Green effective 041800H Apr 68.
51	1649	196, D/1/20, AT929253 at 1614H, obs 1 MAM evading 100 meters south. Eng'd w/SA. Res: 1 VC KIA wearing blk PJ's, no wpn, documents, or ID.
52	1659	198th, MAJ Sanders, Aero Scouts: off alert. Training LRRP, can they be pulled out? LRRP has been asking to be extracted for past 2 hrs. Permission given by G-2.
53	1700	196th, TOC, request AO ext for 050600H-052000H in 8523-8023-8227-8027.

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	0008	1st CAG, CAP 136, 578941-578942 at 042100H, patrol was with US Army and PF when they heard a VN yell "Here come the Americans". Patrol fired 300 rds, found 1 VN female who hid in a burned out hut. Female released when PF said she was not VC.
2	0110	11th, (CPT Holbrook), request Aero Scouts for tomorrow (4 Apr) 0700H. Be at Task Force Barker BS729790.
3	0112	11th, A/4/3, BS569920 at 2335H, 1 WHA, accident, Dustoff complete 0007H. While on ambush man fired wpn. Indiv hit in arm and leg.
4	0115	11th, (CPT Holbrook) BS812383 at 0108H, Bronco had 2 large explosions 50 meters W of perimeter. Neg casualties, damage. 0112H, LZ Liz had explosions. Neg damage or casualties. Suspect VC trying to catapult satchel charges that went off prematurely.
5	0243	198th, 1/46, BS428111 at 0440H, Hill 54 rec'd some mortars. Neg damage or casualties. PF ambush at above coord in contact. Res unk at this time. 0250H, wrap-up, Hill 54 rec'd 15-20 rds mortar, all inside perimeter.
6	0250	198th, 1/46, 430109, bridge was attacked by unk size VC force, VC did overrun 1 bunker. PF were at bridge, MTF. 0320H, VC still occupy 1 bunker on S side of bridge, bridge is still OK. 1/46 is checking on number of tracks for reaction force. 0400H, PF's retaken bridge. No PF casualties.
7	0312	Tam Ky, CPT Beach, receiving mortars 0310H, unk, no msn. All quiet at 0405H.
8	0312	1/1, B/26, BT250255 at 0310H, receiving 82mm, 5 rds so far. Arty called on suspected mortar pos. 12 rds, mortar, 10-15 SA. Neg casualties or damage. All quiet at 0505H.
9	0540	198, 1/52, BT567974 at 0520H, at OP 5, rec'd 4 mortar rds of 60mm, landed south of loc. Neg casualties or damage.
10	0725	CSIC, 9th Engr, bridge blown vic BT230339, bypass available. Culvert blown vic BT435105, road impassable, ETR 0930H.
11	0845	198, TOC, BT430109 at 0250H, ref journal entry #6, at bridge incident with PF's defending. Res: 3 VC KIA, 3 wpns CIA, unknown type wpns or SN.
12	042225	198, TOC, MAJ Sanders stated that he (198th) would be bringing 8 tracks across the Tra Bong River from S to N approx 051630H. Requested that we make contact with Navy elements who control Ferry at crossing point and attempt to have Ferry available between 1600H-1700H to facilitate crossing. Passed on to Mr. Scott, Duty Off of 26th Engr Bn, he will pass to his S-3 in AM. 198 can come up on 26th Engr freq and get "33" for coordination. Passed to LT Blanco of 198th.
13	0730	2nd ARVN, CPT Johnson, following attacks made on forces within 2nd ARVN AO on night of 4-5 April. 1/6, BT288229 at 050300H, rec'd 15 rds of 60 and 81mm mortar w/neg cas. 3/6, BT278222 at 050250H, rec'd 11x60mm mtr rds w/neg cas. 21st Arty, BS626642 at 050300H, rec'd 20 rds 81-82mm mtr w/1 WHA. Tu Nghia, BS669684 at 0300H-0530H, rec'd 35 rds 81-82mm, 3 rds B-40 rkt, and a very light ground attack (probe) by C/75 and elements of 38th Bn, repulsed by PF's, 4 PF and 2 US WHA. 1/4, BS708608 at 0250H, rec'd 10 rds 60mm mtr, neg cas. Ly Tin, BT430110, RF plat securing bridge rec'd SA fire w/neg cas.
14	0830	1/1, BT230315 at 0625H, rec'd 1 rd 122mm rkt fire. Thought was friendly fire but determined it to be enemy. Landed 100 meters outside perimeter. Neg damage or casualties.
15	0830	1/1, F/8th Cav, BT240250 at 0830H, 1 MAM evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
16	0952	39th Engr, C/39th, BS731527 at 0200H, 3 HG exploded outside perimeter. Recon area w/200 rds M-60 and 100 rds M-79. Found 2 satchel charges at 0730H and blew in place.
17	0952	39th Engr, C Co, BS669685 at 0305H, C/22 element staying at (BS669865) was hit by mortar and ground fire, size unknown, assisted in defense, res: 2 WHA (M), 1x5-ton radiator damaged.
18	0845	196, TOC, if called upon to insert company to help 1/1, 196 will use a Co from 1/20 unless Div does not approve. 0848H, notified G-3, Div approved at 0945H.
19	0915	196, A/1/20, AT832240 at 0828H, obs 1 VC evading, eng'd w/SA. Res: 1 VC KIA. Also found a sewing machine (Pagota) in working condition, 1 VC protective mask, 1 silk pup tent, 1 VC mosquito net, 5 pair VC sandals, 2 NVA uniforms and some propaganda papers, all will be evac.
20	0934	CAG, CAP 125, BT416123 at 0805H, 1 VN male age 50 was brought to this position w/gunshot wounds in the head, dusted off to 2nd Surgical Hospital.
21	0935	CAG, CAP 125, BT416123 at 0735H, 1 VN female was brought to this position w/wound from 60mm mortar shrapnel, action taken, dusted off to 2nd Surg.
22	0945	1/1, CPT Cronnin, F/8th is flying the 1st mission request for 196th now and will fly the 2nd from 1030-1200H. Passed to 196th 1000H.
23	1015	196, B/2/1, AT927383 at 1000H, unit is in small contact at this time. Heavy team from F/8 on the way.
24	1035	11th, B/4/3, BS730850 at 0945H, detained 5 VN males who had propaganda leaflets written in English, no ID cards.
25	1045	196th, 2/1, request VR by F/8th at 1100H at BT0235-1135, BT1034, BT1134, BT1035. Passed to 1/1 who said F/8 already had a heavy team working for 196th and did not have any more ships available. 196th notified.
26	1100	198, C/1/52, BS452916 at 0845H, located a small cave, appeared to have had 5-7 personnel sleeping there last night. Inside found 100xlbs of tea packed in rice bags. Found 16 spider holes in the vic.

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27	1100	198, C/1/52, BS456905 at 0910H, found 2 small caves 5' by 5' containing 100lbs of tea, 15xrd of M-60 ammo.
28	1117	11th, D/3/1, BS745585 at 1050H, found tunnel, sent 1 man to check it out, explosion took place, res: 1 US WHA (M), not evac.
29	1130	11th, C/3/1, BS802462 at 1124H, engaged 3 VC evading, res: 2 VC KIA.
30	1215	198, A/1/52, BS698924 at 1150H, spotted 2 VC running, called to them to halt, they didn't stop and were engaged, res: 1 VC KIA.
31	1220	196, B/1/20, AT917216 at 1013H, obs 3 VC 400 meters E across river. Eng'd w/SA, checked area and found 1 VC KIA.
32	1030	11th, S-3, AO extension 060600H-101800H, BS: 475820, 4482, 4475, 455700, 5270, 5277, CA there on good intelligence. Passed to 2nd ARVN for approval at 1915H. Will call on 5 Apr in AM. Approved by 2nd ARVN (LT Bong) at 050715H. SF informed at 0840H for approval. Called DaNang SF at 1240H for approval.
33	1040	11th, request an AO extension 060600H to 101800H at BS7157, 7161, 7761, 7857, to assist in a rice harvest program, passed to CPT Johnson. 1400H, ARVN disapproved (from PFC Seale), have friendly troops in area. 1407H, 11th (CPT Henderson) notified of disapproval.
34	1117	11th, C/3/1, BS741438 at 1107H, element detained 1 MAM hiding in a hootch, bringing him in for questioning.
35	1153	196, R/1/6, BT089374 at 1100H, obs 2 MAM evading NE at 200 meters, eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA, 1WIA/CIA, will evac. Each had rice sack, the KIA had M36 HG.
36	1158	196, APD, 1000-1100H, max readings: AT885416, 887419, 889420, 902420, 903423, 905425, 907426, line 940420 to 943427, 945435, 947437, 949440, 959395, 961400, 966403.
37	1200	196, S-2, request Sniffer mission for 6 Apr, 061000H, to cover grids BT0021, BT0014, BT0520, BT0714. Request 2 Slicks report to Charger Hill 060930H for briefing.
38	1235	196, B/4/31, AT840336 at 1010H, rec'd approx 45 rds of AW fire, returned fire and maneuvered, obs 1 NVA evading, eng'd w/SA. Res: 1 NVA KIA. A document on him stated he was a Sergeant with the 71st Regt.
39	1250	196, request F/8 support, heavy team for screening opns vic AT8433 area east and south of grid. Located large cache in area (wpns, ammo, and electronic gear). 1255H, 1/1 Cav notified of request. 1/1 only has light team available. 1305H, 196th notified hvy team not available. 1310H, 196 request light team and they will provide 2 gunships to accompany. 1315H, 1/1 notified of light team request. 1/1 Cav approved and dispatched team at 1320H.
40	1300	1/1, BT235330 at 1245H, 2-1/2 ton going south hit mine at above coord. At the same time a 2-1/2 ton going north was coming, when the explosion occurred, the 2-1/2 ton going south was thrown into the other lane, hitting the one going north. 1325H, 4 US WHA (E). VTR on loc to move trucks off highway. Truck units, 1 from 8th Support had 2 WHA (E), 1 from 3/16th had 2 WHA (E).
41	1310	11th, Aero Scouts 4/3, BS791852 at 1215H, eng'd 2 VC, res: 2 VC KIA.
42	0900	196, 1/6 Inf, 2 hrs, hvy team, for VR. This would require two hvy gun teams. 1/1 Cav does not feel they can do both missions. Provide one team from 1/1 Cav to cover both requirement, 1/1 Cav concurs. 1/1 Cav will spt 1/6 requirement and as much of 4/31 requirement as possible before ships are required in 1/1 opn. CPT Spoon (196) advised at 050805 Apr. 196, 4/31, AT830335, request team from F/8 Cav VR at 051000H Apr 68 for 3 hours at AT830335. Passed to 1/1 Cav at 0900H.
43	0305	39th Engr, C Co, BS669685 at 0305H, ref journal entry #17, add 2 more EM WHA (M) from concussion, MACV compound.
44	1115	III MAF, LT Bell (Coastal Surveillance Center), LT Bell called asking if msg dtg 010223 had reached Americal. The message had not been rec'd and LT Wagner from Swift Boats brought it to the TOC. Msg concerned a survey operation on Apr 7. A briefing at 051500H will be held. CPT Johnson cannot attend the briefing which is to be held in Quang Ngai vic. NILO at Quang Ngai will contact CPT Johnson after the briefing.
45	1410	196, A/3/21, BT075218 at 1035H, obs 2 MAM evading, eng'd w/SA, res: 1 VC KIA.
46	1443	11th, Rcn/4/3, BS528805 at 1340H, detained 1 VCS.
47	1530	ST, DaNang, SF Liaison, ref journal entry #32, SF approves AO extension in their area (Ha Thanh).
48	1505	1/1, CPT Cronnin, AT8433, 196 wants a team (hvy) to go to vic wpns cache where they were earlier in the afternoon. 1/1 Cav provide a light team and requesting a gunship from 196 to make the team a hvy team. Request passed to 196th at 1508H. 1/1 dispatched a hvy team, still want a firebird to relieve one ship so they can use that ship to join a light team to work with C/1/1. 196 at 1535H said they had no firebirds available. 1/1 notified at 1536H.
49	1535	11th, D/3/1, BS736587 at 1515H, detained 2 VC suspects, 1 tried to escape, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 VC CIA.
50	1635	Tam Ky, CPT Beach, ref journal entry #7, results of mortar attack: 6 VC KIA, 1 NVA CIA, numerous HG CIA, 1 mine CIA, 1xB-41 CIA, 3xB-41 fuzes, assorted web gear and documents, 2xK-50 sub MG, 1xB-40 rocket rd, 3 KHA, 5 WHA (ARVN PF), 1 civilian defense KIA, 8 civilians wounded, also in Tam Ky they have a POW camp w/VC. It was hit resulting in 1 KIA, 18 WIA. The area around Tam Ky rec'd 95 mortar rds.
51	1643	11th, Aero Scouts, BS525781 at 1450H, snatched up 3 VCS, evac back to Bn S-2 for questioning.

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52	1735	CLDC, CLDC goes to Green alert effective 1800H.
53	1735	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT171531 at 1730H, obs 2 MAM evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
54	1740	11th, Aero Scouts 4/3, BS525781 at 1652H, detained 1 VCS evading. Will evac to Bronco.
55	1740	11th, R/4/3, BS531791 at 1650H, detained 1 VCS, had no ID card. Will evac to Bronco.
56	1750	11th, C/3/1, BS749438 at 1525H, eng'd 3 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA. 1 VC WIA/CIA.
57	1800	Quang Ngai, NILO, on 6 Apr 0630-1330H between BS850405 and BS873360 and 7 Apr 0630-1330H between BS934219 and BS926185, a naval landing group survey will take place. The group surveying will have 10 men on the beach and 20 in the water, with an 80 ft patrol craft off shore (Elbow Hotel, 67.05 freq). The on shore party has a freq (P) of 56.20 and (Alt) of 45.00. Group would like the area checked each morning before they land and would like a squad to remain with them each day. Would also like a spotter aircraft to spot all day for them. Approved by G-3 at 1850H. We will supply a squad to meet the party. Can't provide an aircraft solely for party but they will, if needed, be available. Party is to call 11th command freq when they want the sqd to meet them, squad will fly to beach in helicopter. Passed to 11th at 1855H, passed to NILO at 1900H.
58	1835	11th, C/3/1, BS763442 at 1731H, a VCS led element to K-44 SN C6310.
59	1837	CAG, CAP 133, BT008633 at 1630H, PF went to set up security for returning element, obs VC w/2 BAR's, eng'd w/neg results.
60	1840	1/1, F/8 Cav, obs 2 MAM evading, eng'd, res: 2 VC KIA.
61	1841	1/1, F/8, BT205523 at 1837H, obs 3 MAM evading, eng'd, res: 3 VC KIA.
62	1845	198th, at 1640H request AO ext from BS4099 to BS4000, ETO AO bound be extended until 062000H. For use of 1/46 Inf. Approved by CG. 198th notified at 1840.
63	1455	(delayed entry) 11th, (CPT Henderson), request Aero Scouts from 6 Apr thru 12 Apr to work in area SW of Muscatine where they have AO extension. Avn notified 1500H, Scouts available, G-3 approved.
64	1850	11th, 11th TOC, request AO ext from 060600 to 061830H, BS7730, 7430, 7433. Passed to 2nd ARVN for info. Want ext to hit a supply depot for Duc Pho district forces. Former XO of C120 Sapper Company will lead them in. Arty moved from Liz to Bronco to provide arty support. Approved by CG. 11th notified at 1845H.
65	1929	1/1, BT230301 at 1920H, rec'd 1 rd of rkt or mortar fire. 1 WHA (minor), 1 WHA (evac). Confirmed, 1 rocket rd.
66	1930	196th, 3/21 at 0730H, request dog team, will pick up in C&C ship at 0730H, at Admin Pad. 2003H, (SGT Weed, dog tracker team) has team avail and the 196th will pick up at LRRP Pad at 0730H. SGT Bonham at 196th agreed.
67	1935	At approx 1300 hrs, Nguyen Chi Ba, Village Chief, Ky Lien Village, who has provided reliable info in the past, reported the following: As of 1900H 2 Apr 68, a Bn of VC consisting of approx 300 men, coded as the 409th, commanded by Ngo Dang, moved from Ky Yen to the vic of BT348082, BT343076, and BT347088. The VC were dressed in green and gray uniforms and were armed with 2x82mm mortars, 3x60mm mortars, 2x30mm mortar, 4x57 RR, 14xB-40's and 2xrads. The VC will join with local guerrilla units and attack Ky Thanh PF Forces, RD Teams at Ba Ban Bridge, mortar Nai Mieu Hill. The VC will sabotage Highway #1 from Ly Tin District to Tam Ky City. The VC will attack Ly Tin District HQ on the 4th, 5th, of 6th of Apr. At 2100H, 4 Apr, the 323rd Regt was sighted by source in the vic of Ky Sanh, at coord BT408021. Commander of the 323rd Regt is unk and number of wpns also unk. They will attack Ly Tin District HQ, Quy Bo Bridge, and Ky Thanh Village on unk date. (not 198th, CLDC).
68	2025	196th, B/8th Support, BT232335 at 1245H, vehicle from B Co 8th Support detonated mine. Res: 2 US WHA (evac). Previously reported by 1/1 Cav. Reference journal entry #40.
69	2030	39th Engr, C/39, BS731541 at 1855H, accident, vehicle hit & killed VN boy, approx 8 yrs old. Victim tried to jump out of the truck while vehicle was moving. Investigator found 1 US and 1 VN witness. Both stated truck was moving less than 5 miles per hour. Continued mission to CP from taking VN KP's home.
70	2035	1/1, F/8, BT205530 at 1850H, 1 MAM evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA (C).
71	2040	11th, 6/11 Arty, BS756371 at 1215H, eng'd 10 VC w/arty, res: 2 VC KIA.
72	2045	1/1, C/36, B/36, BT233437 at 1945H, receiving mortar & SA fire. 1950H, 3x mortar rds, several SA rds.
73	2050	196th, C/3/21, BT080247 at 1815H, obs 1 MAM 50 meters W of position, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
74	2100	1st CAG, CAP 1/1, BT3416, 3516, 3616, 367157 at 0730H, made contact with 5 VC. Res: 4 VC KIA, 2xAK-47, 1xAK-50, 2xChicom HG.
75	2100	196th, B/4/31, AT847337 at 1300H, detainee led unit to wpn cache. At this time they have found 43xSKS rifles, 9xRFD MG, 4xM-16 rifles, 3xcarabines, 1xM-79, 1x75 RR, 8xAK-47's, 3xRPG's, 2x60mm mortars(which are not complete), 1xpistol, 9xMG 7.62, 1xMG, 20xAK-47 mags, 20xM-79 rds, 25xfuzes for RPG2, 2xboxes of blasting caps, 5xcases of SKS ammo, 2xcases of anti-aircraft ammo, 1xhelicopted pilot helmet. Will evac. Detainee that led them to wpns cache was an NVA. He was 20 yrs old from Hanoi, came to country in Dec. Was with 4th plat, 3rd Co, 40th Bn, 1st MP Regt. 31 Jan he was wounded and sent to the 31st Regt hospital. Hospital was located in vic of wpns.

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1	0001	11th, D/3/1, BS736533 at 2330H, VC attack bridge and did some damage. Engr's have been notified, PF's still have control of bridge.
2	0030	198th, TOC, the 198th LIB wants to retain control of RZ AO extension. They have until 081800H.
3	0130	11th, request LRRP on 7 Apr for insertion 080800 vic BS0505677, AO BS4967-4966-5269-5267. Purpose: recon in preparation for ground operation.
4	0325	196, 2/1, LZ Ross, obs 5 unidentified explosions to the SE, closest one 500 meters from Ross, to SE, at the same time rec'd light SA fire, approx 700 meters away. Ross did not feel the rds were coming at Ross. Que Son says they engaged movement with SA and mortars that were in direction of Ross. Conclusion: the mortar and SA was not directed at LZ Ross. Res: no damage, no casualties.
5	0725	196, R/3/21, BT024206 at 0555H, obs and eng unk number NVA on trail, moving west. Res: 2 NVA KIA, 2xAK-47 CIA. 1 appears to be Russian made, SN TT6906, the other 1 is Chicom SN 10080389. Were dressed in uniform, and bush hat. Each had 2 magazines of AK-47 ammo. CIA 1 pair of binoculars, SN 49918, 1xrice roll, approx 10 lbs. Are following other blood trails.
6	0745	G-3, LTC Balmer, Hwy #1 will close through Tam Ky 061400-061600H and 070900-071200H for purpose of holding a Vietnamese parade, no military traffic will be allowed through at the above times and MP's will enforce this closure. 1/1, 196, 198, 26 Engr, 39 Engr, and 9th Engr notified at 0748H.
7	0810	39th Engr, C/39, BS736533 at 052215H, enemy force on unk size drove off PF security force, blew north end cap and four stringers from bridge 1e17 (bridge designation). PF's placed suppressive fire on bridge so they could regain the defensive position. Bridge was regained. 0755H, on bridge, CAP, 5 stringers and entire north span blown. Bridge will be open for one lane hvy traffic by 0900H. ETR for two-way traffic is 1600H to 1700H. 1000H, bridge open for 1-way Class 60 traffic. ETR several days for 2-way traffic.
8	0835	11th, A/3/1, BS765321, CA: 1st lift 0809H, LZ was hot. 2nd lift 0829H, cold LZ. CA complete. 1st lift received sniper fire w/negative results.
9	0858	196, A/3/21, BT083233 at 0745H, obs 2 VC evading. Eng'd w/SA, res: 1 VC KIA.
10	0858	196, C/1/6, BT0888464 at 0820H, while moving along trail, tripped unk type mine. Res: 3 US KHA, 1 WHA (E), 1 KHA was the CC, 1 KHA was a FO.
11	0910	196, LRRP Margie, AT963290 at 060905H, LRRP Margie inserted at 0905H.
12	0920	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT164284 at 0918H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
13	0923	11th, D/19 Engr, BS915245 at 0918H, mine sweep team was ambushed. Gunship sent to location. They were hit with M-79 rds, SA fire, HG and command detonated mine. Res: 2 US WHA (E), 3 KHA. There were 2 APC's and 10 engineers for security.
14	0930	11th, D/3/1, BS743596 at 0918H, rec'd SA and AW fire. Eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
15	0938	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT174528 at 0931H, eng'd 2 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
16	1005	1/1, F/8, BT167251 at 0957H, obs 1 metal canister and roll of concertina wire, 2 trenches, 20 freshly fox holes, appeared to be training area.
17	1025	196, D/2/1, 1015H, airlift of D/2/1 to vic BT053380, 1st lift 0910H, completed 1015H. LZ secured by Rcn/2/1.
18	1111	11th, C/3/1, BS734434 at 1002H, element detained 1 MAM.
19	0730	DTOC, Div secure radio net inoperable, back in at 1120H.
20	1040	39th Engr, C/39 Engr, BS685658, prior to 2400H, abutment of dry span at bypass 15S was blown, main timber trestle intact and the road is open to two-way traffic.
21	1100	G-3, TOC, notified 198 and 11th that time extensions requested had been approved by CG for AO extension for 1/52 in RZ of Chu Lai TAOR and for 3/1 AO ext north of Duc Pho AO in 2nd ARVN AO, ref journal entry #76 for 5 Apr for the 1th request and journal entry #2 for the 198 request.
22	1120	39th Engr, D/39th, BT086401, 2 mines on left shoulder of road. They were blown in place. Res: small crater in road, has been repaired.
23	1125	198th, S-2, request 2 Slicks and 2 gunships to run Sniffer mission on 7 Apr in vic BT3308, 3510, 3906, 3704. A/C report to LZ Bayonet at 0830H.
24	1127	196, BTOC, BT023199, request F/8 Cav light team for VR, work with E/3/21, desire ASAP. Passed to 1/1 at 1128H. 1135H, 1/1 OK'd request but stated it would be 30 minutes before team would arrive. 1136H, notified 196. 1230H, 1/1 has contact, F/8 cannot leave them to go to 196th for VR. Notified 196th. Mission to be run when possible.
25	1138	196, BTOC, LRRP Jeanie extracted 1135H. Reason: no water.
26	1205	196, C/1/6, BT084468 at 1112H, eng'd 1 MAM running 200 meters NE. Res: 1 VC KIA, age 23 yrs and wearing white PJ's. He also had an undetermined amount of North Vietnamese money on him.

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27	1215	198, AO, BS534893, arty aerial observer spotted a bunker with a pipe or rod sticking out of it, believes it may be a radio antenna. Request an Aero Scout team to check this out. It is in TF Barker AO. Request passed to 11th at 1217H. 1300H, Aero Scouts being used by 4/3, they will check out the bunker when they are not needed by 4/3. 198th notified.
28	1225	196, Rcn/2/21, BT027205 at 1200H, eng'd 3 NVA wearing OD uniforms and carrying wpns 400 meters to the east. Eng'd, res: 1 NVA KIA, 1xAK-47 CIA, 1xbinoocular CIA.
29	1229	11th, C/1/20, BS652870 at 1155H, eng'd 1 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA, 1xpack, 2xChicom HG, 1xSony radio with dial set on 64.10 CIA.
30	1410	1/1, F/8th Cav, vic BT219533 at 1404H, eng'd 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA (C).
31	1112	TOC coordination with LRRP Helen for the 11th Bde is as follows: EM will go to LZ Bronco on 7 Apr and make coordination for insertion at 080800H Apr 68. There are 6 members of the team going, A/C will report to LRRP Pad to pick up team.
32	1305	CAG, CAP 122, vic BT393666 at 1000H, found enemy ammo cache: 100xrds .50 cal, 676xM-16 ammo, 6xM-79 beehive, 2xrds B-40 RL, 1xChicom grenade detonator, 65xM-60 ammo linked, area pointed out by VN child. Child stated VC in area previous day. Ammo evac to CAP 122. Child paid seven dollars (VN Currency).
33	1337	198, R/1/46, at 1230H was extracted from vic BS442992 to LZ, BS463073. Lift completed at 1314H.
34	1340	FSE B/6/11, vic BS534803 at 1220H, moved by air to BS534803 with 4 tubes, closing at 1220H. Unit has been laid and ready to fire.
35	1355	1/1, F/8th Cav, vic BT205545 at 1210H, gunship rec'd 1 hit in rotor blade, flying 75 ft at 70 knots, f/8 sending rotor blade from Chu Lai to 1/1 location.
36	1400	196, B/4/31, vic AT847337 on 05 Apr 68, ref wpns cache found (add following items) 18xSKS rifles, 1x82mm bipod, 1xpair infrared binoculars, 1xsight for 120mm mortar, 1xsight for 75 RR. Also delete pistol that was reported yesterday.
37	1440	11, TOC, vic BS778443 at 1400H, 3 US wounded, man from B/19 Engr, stepped on a mine and 2xUS went to help him. One of them stepped on another mine resulting in: 2xB/17 Engr WIA/NHA, 1xHQ/3/1 WIA/NHA, mines were laid by PF, all 3 dusted off, none serious.
38	1441	11, D/3/1, vic BS738577 at 1400H, found 1,000 lbs of rice, will evac.
39		There is no journal entry for #39.
40	1450	198, C/1/52, vic BS446906 at 1340H, found what appeared to be a VC base camp. It had 4 small huts, 1xlarge hut, which appeared to be a training area. Destroyed huts with M-79 fire. During this firing an M-79 rd ricocheted and hit 1x man, res: 1 US WHA (evac).
41	1540	11, D & HQ, 1/20, at 1500H closed LZ Dragon.
42	1610	1/1, F/8th Cav, vic BT206534 at 1605H, obs 10-15 MAM w/wpns, web gear, steel helmets, eng'd, res: 3 VC KIA, 1 IWC (destroyed carbine).
43	1615	FSE at 1615H, D/3/82d closed vic BT130449 LZ Baldy at 1420H. Unit laid & ready to fire. Four tubes were moved.
44	1630	196, 176 Avn, 1515H, vic BT0033, while at an altitude of 1300-1400 ft, rec'd 30 rds of AW fire. No hits, returned fire with unknown results, continued mission.
45	1640	1/1, F/8th Cav, 1636H, vic BT203547, eng'd 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
46	1642	11, Aero Scouts 4/3, 1545H, vic BS444771, eng'd 5 VC w/wpns. Res: 5 VC KIA, 1 IWC, CIA 2xNVA uniforms. Wpn is SKS, SN 8173637.
47	1642	11, A/3/1, extraction to LZ Thunder complete 1635H.
48	1645	CLDC, alert condition Green effective 061800H.
49	1700	196, LRRP Irene, 1530H, vic BT071179, detained 1 MAM who walked into their position. No ID, wore black PJ's. LRRP team and detainee will be evac. Evac complete 1710H.
50	1722	196, D/3/21, at 1630, vic BT068259, obs 3 VC evading toward the south. Eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, 20-25 yrs old, black PJ's.
51	1730	196, S-2, request LRRP Team Leader to come up to their location 7 Apr for over flight. Passed info to LT Bonner at LRRP Det. He stated LRRP Marie was avail to go. Coord made with Avn to get LRRP Team Leader to 196.
52	1743	39th Engr, B Co, 1710H vic BS621846. VN turned in the following ammo: 5x155mm rds, 1xM18 HG, 12x105mm rds, 2x175mm rds, 1xM18 Claymore mine, 4xHG, 2x60mm rds, 5x81mm rds. All ammo destroyed.
53	1755	1/1, 1730H, vic BT262282, Marines req Dustoff for woman hit by shotgun. Woman standing by road when 3/4-ton went by and someone shot her, 3/4-ton going North. Dustoff completed.
54	1800	196, R/3/21, at 1625H completed air move to FSB Center.
55	1825	CAG, CAP 111, at 1745H vic BT342190, 1xUSMC had intense fever, corpsman advised Medevac. Dustoff completed 1750H.
56	1920	(delayed entry) 198, 1100H, request AO ext for 1/46 which expires at 062000 be extended until 091800H (BT416000, W to BT4000, S to BS4099, E to BS4299, N along boundary to BT416000. Approved by CG, 198th notified 1830H.

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	0025	196th, D/2/1, BT023399 at 0015H, rec'd 7 rds mortar, 4 WHA (M). Called arty on suspected mortar position.
3	0300	1/1 Cav, B/1/1, Tam Ky, BT2525 at 0300H, receiving mortar/SA fire. Spooky requested through advisor channels. MTF. 2 WHA (evac) 4 us WHA (minor), 50-60 rds of 82mm, 1 WHA/ARVN (evac).
4	0310	A/1/46, BT414054 at 0230H, plt rec'd 2x60mm outside perimeter. 1 WHA (minor).
5	0325	1/1, Hill 29, BT230315, rec'd 1x122mm rocket inside of perimeter. NCD.
6	0325	198, LT Blanco, 0325H, CAP 3, CAP 4, and LZ Ann are receiving mortar fire at this time. LZ Ann rec'd 4 rds inside perimeter. 0345H, LZ Ann and CAP 4 stopped receiving mortars. CAP 3, reports VC in village at BS665985, they are burning village. Gunships and flare ships from 198th have been scrambled. 0400H, Co from 1/52 planning to CA, 1 plat of D Co 1/52 to CAP 3 location BS665985. PZ is Gator, LZ is CAP 3 location. Total of 3 Marines at CAP 3, 1 KHA, 1 WHA, and 1 missing. LTC Balmer informed of pending CA. GEN Young notified of pending CA, and he directed CA be held up until he talked to w/Col Waldie. 198th notified of GEN Young's orders to hold CA until GEN Young and COL Waldie discussed the CA. 198th at 0500H reported things quiet and CAP 3 had 2 USMC KHA, 1 WHA, 5 civilians WHA and half of village burned. CA by 1/52 will go ASAP.
7	0700	Tam Ky, BT313210, 0315H, PF Plat rec'd 4x57mm RR rds. Res: 1 WHA.
8	0902	196, C/3/21, BT162276 at 0855H, obs 1 MAM evading 300 M NE, eng'd w/SA, res: 1 VC KIA, no wpn, documents, or ID.
9	0903	196, R/3/21, BT033207 at 0830H, obs 1 MAM evading N, eng'd w/SA. Res: 1 VC KIA. Had no wpn, documents, or ID.
10	0753	198, 1/52, request Aero Scout section to assist 1/52 elements vic BS6798. Have spotted squad of VC moving north. Believe at least 2 plat of VC in area, same group that hit village vic CAP L-3 last night. Passed to 11th Bde at 0755H. Contacted 11th at 0755H and 0810H, said they had no commo w/Aero Scouts but should be able to fulfill mission. 0840H, 1 gun on station 10 minutes, and 2 more on the way. 0845H, 198th notified.
11	0800	39th, SGT Dick, 1710H, ref journal entry #52 on 6 Apr. Delete 5x155mm rds.
12	0817	196, F/8 Cav, BT061401 at 0753H, obs 1 VC carrying a poncho with what appeared to be ammo in the poncho. He dropped poncho and ran. Eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
13	0817	196, Rcn/3/21, BT023248 at 0728H, obs 1 VC evading from hut, eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA, 1xK-44 CIA, also a little notebook captured, will evac wpn and notebook. Could not read SN on weapon.
14	0858	1/1, B/1/1, BT259289 at 0850H, had tank hit mine, neg dam or casualties, thought to be an AP mine. Left crater 1' x 1'.
15	0907	1/1, B/1/1, BT259289 at 0900H, found 1 mine on side of road with a 175mm arty rd. Blew in place leaving crater of 7' x 4'. Road is still passable.
16	0915	11th, Aero Scouts, BS468762 at 0857H, eng'd 3 VC w/packs. Res: 1 VC KIA, 1 VC CIA, 2 packs captured, will evac packs and detainee to LZ Sue.
17	0919	11th Aero Scouts, BS457750 at 0905H, eng'd 1 VC w/pack and bayonet, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 pack & bayonet CIA, will evac.
18	0924	198, B/1/52, B/1/52 completed extraction to LZ Bayonet at 0815H, & R/1/52 extracted to LZ Ann at 0855H from BS430090. B/1/52 was lifted from vic BS440890 w/LZ times of 0732H, 0755H, and 0815H.
19	0825	198, BTOC, request Aero Scouts to support CA of 1/46 on 8 Apr. Also request Aero Scouts to support CA of 1/6 on 9 Apr. Times and areas will follow. Request Aero Scouts Company to talk to MAJ Mangram today or early tomorrow morning (1004H). Passed to G-3: Aero Scots will not be used by 198 on 8 Apr. On 9 Apr G-3 will decide whether or not 198th will use them depending on situation. Passed to 198th at 1015H. Passed to 11th at 1050 for Aero Scout Company to contact MAJ Mangram.
20	0830	198, TOC, AO request, 080700H-132400H from present boundary of 1/46 at BT3705 go west to BT2405 then north along border of AO Randy to grid BT2713 then NW to BT275135 which is at present 1/46 AO. 081200H until mutual agreement of 1/6 and 1/46 commanders, in AO Randy at BT263133 there's a bridge on the road that runs SW, follow road to BT2405, this will form W & NW for 1/46 during Opn Blue Dragon. Responsibility of road will be 1/6 Inf. Approved by G-3, passed to MAJ Sanders.
21	0930	196, B/2/1, AT916368, led by a scout to a hootch containing 2,000 lbs of unpolished rice, not camouflaged. Detained 2 VN. Detainees will be questioned in the field and rice evac. Detainees were 1 male and 1 female. 1032H, add 1,000 lbs rice, female admitted being a guerrilla and was placed in that location as a rice guard.
22	0945	1/1, ref journal entry #14, found another mine in same area, blown in place, left crater in road 4' x 4', road still passable.
23	0950	1/1, B/1/1, BT259289 at 0945H, tank hit a 200 to 250 lb mine, left crater in road 8' wide and 6' deep, no casualties. Damage to tank is moderate. Road is impassable at this time.
24	0959	196, A/2/1, AT964344 at 0920H, found 3 decomposed bodies in a grave, dressed in green uniforms, were killed by arty. Also found NVA pack, NVA canteen, and 4 HG, and some documents, will evac documents. The rest of the equipment destroyed. They are not counting the bodies.
25	1000	39th Engr, B/39, BS621846 at 0900H, VN turned in the following ammo: 1x175mm rd, 1x4.2 mortar rd, 14x40mm rds, 6xM26 HG, all ammo destroyed.

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26	1008	11th, C/3/1, BS797456 at 1010H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA.
27	1008	198th, 1/52, Aero Scouts, BS705973 at 0900H, detained 1 VCS, wearing khakis.
28	1008	198, 1/52, Aero Scouts, BS705973 at 0900H, Aero Scouts obs 1 VC in hedgerow, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
29	1010	11th, Aero Scouts (4/3), BS549799 at 0942H, detained 1 VCS, MAM was evac to LZ Sue.
30	1015	198th, MAJ Sanders, BS626975 at 1000H, the first extraction of C/1/52 went to LZ Bayonet. While in the process of extraction the 2nd lift, they diverted to BS626975, to follow-up intelligence info that the VC who attacked the CAP team last night were moving west. G-3 approved and Slicks used for extraction will be used to insert C/1/52.
31	1015	11th, Aero Scouts, BS552799 at 0948H, eng'd 2 VC w/packs, res: 1 VC CIA.
32	1015	11th, Rcn/4/3, BS543797 at 0956H, eng'd 1 VC w/wpn. Res: 1 VC KIA, 1zM-1 carbine CIA SN 1199303.
33	1033	196th, F/17 Cav, AT990340 at 1002H, obs 8 VC evading 600-800 M away. Eng'd w/50 cal, checked area w/neg results.
34	1031	11th, C/3/1, BS792470 at 1000H, eng'd 8 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA, 7 VC detained.
35	1049	198, CAP 3, ref journal entry #6. Add 2xM-16 rifles lost and 1xPRC-25 radio destroyed.
36	1113	39th Engr, C/39, BS717598 at 1010H, rec'd sniper fire, neg casualties, returned fire w/neg results.
37	1113	11th, C/3/1, BS797456 at 1050H, detained 2 VCS, 1 was WIA.
38	1118	11th, Aero Scouts, BS465742 at 1032H, detained 1 MAM, 1xpack, 1xAM-FM radio captured, will evac pack and radio.
39	1120	11th, Rcn/4/3, BS543799 at 1045H, detained 1 VCS.
40	1120	11th, Aero Scouts, BS485735 at 1109H, rec'd 1 rd od SA fire, took 1 hit but acft still flyable. No casualties.
41	1120	196, BTOC, request VR flight, F/8 Cav, report to BT002277, come up on 3/21 cmd freq, time ASAP, time on station 1-2 hrs. Reason: OP spotted 10 VC w/green uniforms, moving W from that location. Unit has no troops in immediate area. Passed to 1/1 at 1122H. 1145H, 1/1 diverting team to 196, 196 notified.
42	1130	CAG, CAP 134, BT627012 at 0300H, rec'd 500 rds of SA fire, returned fire and called for illum. Neg results.
43	1130	CAG, CAP 135, BS711973 at 0400H, rec'd 10 rds of SA fire. Neg results.
44	1131	196, APD, strong readings: BT048153 along stream and trail to BT063149, BT074143 along stream to BT083131, BT093132, and BT097132.
45	1132	196, B/4/31, AT856338 at 1020H, found large complex, 75-80 huts not recently used, will destroy.
46	1133	196, D/4/31, AT854366 at 1015H, found 27x122mm rocket bodies, warheads and fuzes, were in hole camouflaged with bamboo and dirt. Will destroy as in an inaccessible location.
47	1139	198, C/1/52, ref air mobile displacement of C/1/52, 1st lift, PZ BS453886 0945H, LZ Bayonet 0956H. 2nd lift, PZ BS453886 1000H, LZ BS626975 1016H. 3rd lift, PZ Bayonet 1035H, LZ BS632973 1051H. Complete 1051H, LZ cold.
48	1100	Americal MID, 0830H, the following info was rec'd by the undersigned at approx 0815H, 7 Apr 1968, from a CI Section informant who has furnished reliable info in the past. As of 1800H, 6 April 1968, 1 VC regular Bn appeared in the vic of BT434996-BT432008 and BT424016. The battalion is commanded by Chau Ngoc Xien and Nguyen Tai Toan. Weapons: 3xBAR's, 2xB-40 rocket launchers, and adequate indiv wpns. Uniforms: Gray w/rubber sandals. Their intentions are to mortar outpost #76 at Ky Sanh Village and infiltrate to Ly Tin and Chu Lai areas soon.
49	1202	198, BTOC (MAJ Sanders), ref 5/46 Inf: effective 1200H 5/46 assume OPCON Area II. Plans: move B/5/46 from LZ Gator to LZ Ann. Time unk. B/5/46 would become OPCON to 1/52, assume security of LZ Ann, 1 plat used in pursuit of VC which attacked CAP 3 at 0300H. This would enable 1/52 Inf to pull their plat at A/1/52 back to A Co base for security.
50	1207	11th, C/3/1, total of 10 VCS and 4 VC KIA, ref journal entry #26.
51	1213	198, BTOC, LRRP Sue extracted 1210H.
52	1225	198, PF's, BT431108 at 1145H, PF's found a mine in the road, the mine was destroyed by the 26th Engr.
53	1225	196, E/3/21, BT036204 at 1115H, found 1 pr of tan sneakers, well used but had a good tread. Tread similar to that of US jungle boots, will be evac.
54	1226	196, R/3/21, BT013258 at 1041H, approached hootch and obs 2 VN males, 1 ran to S, eng'd at 100 meters, res: 1 VC KIA, in black PJ's, no documents or ID, other male detained, had ID but no documents.
55	1228	196th, C/3/21, BT135284 at 1015H, obs 1 VC walking on trail from W to S, set up ambush, VC got near ambush, detected it and ran west. Eng'd at distance of 5', res: 1 VC KIA, no documents or ID.
56	1230	196, C/3/21, BT116267 at 1030H, obs 1 VC walking N. He obs C Co and evaded to N. Eng'd at 20' w/SA. Res: 1 VC KIA, no ID or documents, had white shirt, black pants, small bag of rice.
57	1235	11th, D/4/3, BS467754 at 1155H, detained 2 VCS hiding in hedgerow, 1 was 25 yrs old and 1 was 60 yrs old. No ID cards, also found 1 bunker and 1 tunnel.
58	1240	11th, C/4/3, BS562904 at 1157H, detained 1 VCS, 60 yrs old, picked him up along Tra Bong River. Elements say he was wearing white shirt and black trousers, when he got on the other side he was nude.

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59	1306	11th, Rcn/4/3, BS532797 at 1247H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA.
60	1225	196, C/3/21, BT127286 at 1125H, found a fresh hole 4' x 4' x 2' deep, found small device 2" long w/4 wires leading from it appeared to be transmitter, will be evac.
61	1345	11th, D/4/3, BS476754 at 1322H, eng'd 1 VC in a tunnel, res: 1 VC KIA.
62	1345	11th, D/4/3, BS467754 at 1315H, detained 2 VCS.
63	1345	11th, D/4/3, BS476754 at 1245H, eng'd unk size force. Res: 4 VC KIA, 2 VC WIA/CIA, 4 VC CIA, all wore pistol belts and packs. Also found 1500 to 2000 lbs of polished rice in bags. Rice will be evac. Total of 6 VC captured.
64	0857	11th, S-2, BS468762 at 0857H, this info comes from a detainee that was detained this morning by Aero Scouts. He stated there is a VC Co located in the area where he was captured (BS468762), they are armed w/adequate wpns, the VC came to his hamlet every night to put out propaganda and take out work details, there are 14 men living in his hamlet that give info to the VC. 1 of the men was killed today that gave info to the VC. He says he is a farmer and he used to be in the VN Army, after he got out of the Army the VC made him work for them.
65	1350	11th, D/4/3, BS489745 at 1345H, eng'd 1 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA, CIA 1xHG and 1xpistol belt.
66	1401	CSIC, 26th Engr, BT437077 at 1030H, obs explosion between bunkers 12 & 13, observed personnel running away, checked area and found 1 VN boy 13-15 yrs old WIA. Evac to Americal POW Camp.
67	1405	196, F/8 Cav, BT045295 at 1215H, while departing 3.21 AO, rec'd 3-4 rds of SA fire. Neg hits, obs 5 VC evading from hut. Eng'd, res: 2 VC KIA.
68	1425	11th, D/4/3, BS489745 at 1400H, 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA, Dustoff complete.
69	1425	11th, Rcn/4/3, BS532797 at 1350H, detained 1 VCS, no ID.
70	1435	11th, C/3/1, BS802451 at 1400H, 2 VCS detained while evading out of area.
71	1441	11th, D/4/3, BS476754 at 1428H, found in a hedgerow, 1x9mm Luger, also 2 magazines loaded (9mm), SN 7375A.
72	1455	196, C/3/21, BT132280 at 1355H, obs 1 VC evading south. Eng'd w/SA, res: 1 VC KIA.
73	1543	11th, TOC, B/1/20, completed air move at 1400H from 1/1 to LZ Dragon. A/1/20 moving from O'Conner to Dragon.
74	1612	196, A/1/6, BT103387 at 1342H, obs 4 VC evading SE at 300 meters. Eng w/SA. VC evaded into trench. Checked area, found 1 VC WIA/CIA, will evac.
75	1618	11th, C/3/1, BS797460 at 1325H, detained 3 VCS attempting to evade.
76	1610	1/1, TOC, 1/1 AO ext approved by Province in Pineapple Forrest area until 2000H 7 April. Ext as follows: BT206224 NE along road to BT257255, W to present AO. F/8 Cav will go in to look for possible mortar and rocket sites tonight.
77	1500	G-5, Civic Action Platoon, reports that VC would move to coord: BT412095, 416094, 409098, and 423092 tonight and would mortar Fat City and Ly Tin District HQ's. Info came from Kuong Binh.
78	1531	Tam Ky, B/4/31, BT2922 at 1010H, 2-1/2 ton had explosion, explosion unk either from trailer or mine. Trailer caught fire, explosion from trailer caused truck to catch fire. 8 personnel abandoned truck, neg injuries. Truck had all types ammo from SA to 103mm rds. Truck totaled. 4/31 has investigation officer on location.
79	1546	198, CAP K-4, BT446066 at 1540H, obs 10 VC w/wpns. Called arty. MTF.
80	1555	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT231219 at 1550H, eng'd 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
81	1605	FSE, D/1/14, closed Tam Ky airfield at 1535H. At 1545H 1 plat 3/16th Arty closed Quang Ngai airfield. Both movements by road.
82	1624	196, BTOC, request F/8 Cav, VR Team 080900H, vic AT9633, come up on 2/1 command net, approx 2 hrs duration. Passed to 1/1 at 1640H.
83	1625	196, C/1/52, extraction to LZ Bayonet: 1st lift, PZ BS633974 1603H, LZ Bayonet 1607H. 2nd lift, PZ BS633974 1612H, LZ Bayonet 1618H. Completed at 1618H.
84	1627	11th, Psyops, TF Barker, BS622880 at 1600H, NV turned in the following ammo: 9x3.5" RL rds, 700x.30cal rds, 2x81mm rds, 1x155mm rd, 1xM-72 LAW (complete).
85	1630	196, LRRP May Fly, AT845485 at 1030H, obs 200 VC w/wpns and packs, called arty. Res: 51 VC KIA. For Info only.
86	1655	CLDC, 1800H, "Condition Green" effective 1800H.
87	1807	11th Bde, BS731528 at 1800H, A/1/20 complete at 1800H. 1/20 Inf completely closed 11th Bde AO.
88	1845	198th, D/1/6, Tam Ky (Airfield) at 1640H, departed Baldy at 1611H. Closed Tam Ky 1640H. D, 3rd Plat.
89	1910	III MAF COC, 1st Mar Div COC, 0950-1430H, recon team May Fly in a total of 5 sightings killed 68 VC by arty. Fire missions were fired in AT8246 to AT8448 grid squares. One fire mission on 200 VC moving E to W killed 51, included in total of 68. Ref journal entry #85.
90	1910	Avn, (CPT Bowen) BS783430 at 1845, H-23 down due to engine failure. Request 11th to secure it, as it can't be recovered tonight. Passed to G-3 who said to call 11th and ask them if they can secure it. Called 11th at 1912H. They will secure it.

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91	1915	BS783430 at 1845H, 1 helicopter (?). No known injuries. Secured by bridge element. Ref journal entry #90.
92	1930	11th, S-5, TF Barker, BS628855 at 1910H, S-5 rec'd from VN villagers the following: 1x175mm rd, 6xM-79 rds, 4xHG's, 7xM-72 LAW's (complete), 3x3.5 rcts, 5x81mm HE rds, 800xrds of 30 cal ammo, 1xWP rifle HG, 1x81mm WP rd.
93	2105	196th, LRRP Margie, 962318-963296 at 1830H, obs 40 MAM, came out of a woodline moving NW across a rice paddy 1400 meters N of their location. Could not observe wpns, packs, or type of clothing due to distance. Chopper came into area to see if he could draw fire, neg. Chopper obs many spider holes and bunkers vic 953312. When chopper started to leave area he rec'd unk number AW rds vic 995304. DOP 40, from SW 1200-1500 meters, at grid 014308, also rec'd fire, arty called with unk results.
94	2105	196th, Rcn/3/21, AT962318-96329631 at 1850H, obs 1 VC evading 100 meters NW. Eng'd w/SA w/neg results. Also obs 1 VC moving down trail to west, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA. Age 23, wore blk shirt and had no wpn or ID. At 015259, obs unk number VC and NVA combined, were evading 150 meters NW, eng'd w/SA, res: 1 VC and 1 NVA WIA. They crawled in hole, eng'd with HG's, res: 1 VC and 1 NVA KIA. CIA 1xM-1 SN 1591442 and 1xSKS SN 08839. Both dressed in gray uniforms and had collars and buttons on pants. Both 19 or 20 yrs old. Both had web gear w/1xChicom HG, 1xfirst aid pouch, mess kit. NVA had pack, both had sandals. Checked hole and found 1xUS protective mask cover, 8-10 clips SKS ammo, 1xhammock, 1xponcho, 1xgray uniform, documents, 1xChicom HG. Will evac tomorrow.
95	2105	1st CAG, CAP 137, 411939 at 2040H, Marine had 100+ temp and cramps all day. Cramps worsened and temp went up. Medevac to 2nd Surg.
96	2108	1st CAG, CAP 134, BS624013 at 2100H, villager told PF's there are 60 NVA at BS629992. Mission: mine laying.
97	2110	1st CAG, CAP 133, BS664986 at 2100H, villagers told Marines about reported enemy movement at BS650980.
98	2115	1st CAG, at 2100H, village at CAP 135, Bin Then, CAP 131, Binh Thuy, are targets of enemy force, consisting of 1 Bn, 1 Co, 1 Wpns Co. Total strength: about 650. Wpn strength: complete, type unk. Previous loc: BS689913, BS683905, BS682895, BS700900, BS685920.
99	2115	196th, B/1/6, BT148479 at 2002H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
100	2145	196th, C/1/6, BT104471 at 2010H, moving to NLP, approx 75-100 meters to front obs unk number VC evading to NE. Eng'd w/SA, fire was returned. Called arty, res unk. 13 Element pulled back to CP area.
101	2215	198th, OP 8, 5/46, BS574966 at 2205H, OP 8 rec'd satchel charges. Neg casualties or damage.
102	2230	11th Bde, A/4/3 at 2220H, LZ Sue rec'd 15-20 rds 60mm from AZ240°. All outside perimeter. NCD.
103	2330	1st CAG, CAP 113, 324183, 352165, 353157, 357167, 356158, Mr. Ky. 100 VC BGO. Neg visual contact. Report came from Mr. Ky, Village Chief. 112 fired 60mm on above coords. Good coverage of targets. VC fled.
104	2330	CAP 113, 353172 at 0130H, 7 boys, 9-18 yrs, were kidnapped by VC. Report came from Mr. Ky, Village Chief, and CPL Ngu.
105	2400	Opns Summary: Amcal Div units cont'd combat opns throughout the Americal Div AO w/light contact reported. Americal Div units cont'd to receive sporadic mortar attacks in the early morning hrs. In Opn Wheeler/Wallowa, B/1/1 vic BT250255 rec'd approx 55 rds of 82mm mortar at 0300H w/2 US WHA (evac), 4 US WHA (minor). In the Chu Lai TAOR, CAP's 133 (BS664980), 134 (BT624014) and CAP 135 (BS712973) rec'd mortar attacks w/CAP 133 receiving the heaviest attack resulting in 2 US KHA, 1 USN WHA, 4 PF KHA, 10 PF WHA. In Opn Wheeler/Wallowa, A/1/20 w/Rcn Plt completed dismantling FSB O'Connor then moved from O'Connor (AT933243) to Duc Pho LZ Dragon (BS731528), closing 1300 hrs. B/1/20 was moved from Hill 29 (BT230315) to LZ Dragon closing 1400 hrs. D/1/14 Arty w/elements MG Fuquy Inf moved by road from LZ Baldy (BT133453) to vic Tam Ky Airfield (BT307187) closing 1535H. D/4/31 at 1015H vic AT854316 found 27x122mm rcts. In the Chu Lai TAOR B and C Co 1/52 Inf were moved from field loc to LZ Bayonet (BT549016) closing at 1035H w/E Co moving to LZ Ann (BS655961) at 0855 hrs. In the Duc Pho AO, 2 tubes from B/3/16 Arty were moved from LZ Dragon (BS731528) to the Quang Ngai Airfield (BS602509), closing 1545 hrs. Americal Div totals: 2 WHA (evac), 9 WHA (minor), 28 VC KIA, 1 NVA KIA, 13 IWC.
106	2400	Journal Closed.

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	0630	Combat Center, demolition today from 0730H to 1120H, 1530H to 1720H.
3	0645	CLDC will be on normal daylight condition.
4	0245	III MAF, Rcn Teams, AT8246-AT8449, 0950-1430H, called in arty on 4 sightings of VC, res: 86 VC KIA.
5	0840	11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, BS515725 at 0815H, obs and eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC CIA.
6	0845	198, (198th TOC), B/14 Arty, lift for B/14 Arty, PZ 0800H, Hill 54, LZ 0810H, Hill 68. More info to follow. Closed 0900H.
7	0855	196, 196th TOC, A & R/1/6 left LZ Colt 0850H for Tam Ky. B/1/52 arrived LZ Colt 0848H.
8	0903	196, D/2/1, BT041402 at 0755H, eng'd 3 VC, 2 with wpns. Res: 1 VC KIA (female), she was 19-23 yrs old, had a US pistol belt, 10xcarbine rds, 2xAK-47 rds, 2xUS frag grenades, 1xmedical bag w/medical supplies.
9	0910	Tien Phuoc SF, PW, as of April, 60 VC are loc vic BT099218, there are rice caches at coord BT121224 and BT113224.
10	0910	11th, LRRP Helen, BS512662 at 0845H, LRRP Helen inserted at 0845H, AO BS5269-4969, BS5266-4966.
11	0930	11th, LRRP Helen, BS512662 at 0900H, found a cave w/some people in it, they obs the LRRP team. LRRP requested permission to engage personnel in cave. Permitted by COL Blackledge. 75 to 100 meters from present location.
12	0930	11th, B/3/1, BS880314 at 0905H, detained 1 VCS MAM who had 2 ID cards, but neither fitted him.
13	0930	11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, BS516715 at 0830H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
14	0940	198th, Rcn/1/46, BT445000 at 0930H, sighted and made contact w/1 NVA suspect, eng'd. Res: 1xAK-47 SN 10056749 CIA and are now looking for the body.
15	0945	11th, B/6/11 Arty, completed air move to BS616643 at 0935H. 16 sorties.
16	1005	11th, D/1/20, BS502640 at 0923H, requested Dustoff for 2 US WHA (E), 1 from punji pit, and 1 from getting bit by centipede.
17	1035	1/1, F/8, BT214247 at 1030H, 2 MAM evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
18	1040	198th, A/1/6, air lift of A/1/6 from LZ Colt to Tam Ky: 1st lift 0825H, complete 0930H.
19	1045	11th, C/3/1, BS738434 at 1015H, detained 1 VCS, altered ID card.
20	1046	11th, C/3/1, BS733415 at 1015H, detained 2 VCS MAM, will hold for interrogation. Also eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
21	1100	39th Engr, D/39, BT089406 at 0945H, found 1 anti-tank mine approx 40 lb charge, blown in place. Left crater in road 4'x8' in Hwy 535, road being filled now.
22	1120	11th, C/3/1, BS713436 at 1112H, eng'd unk number of VC. Res: 4 VC KIA, 5 VC CIA.
23	1142	1/1, 1/1 C&C, BT209164 at 1045H, 2 MAM evading, res: 2 VC KIA.
24	1207	196, D/3/21, BT132206 at 0930H, obs acct on leaflet-drop receiving SA fire from vic BT1624, out of AO, did not check area.
25	1208	196, 4/31, BT030379 at 0800H, PF hit Chicom HG tied to tree. Neg casualties.
26	1208	196, B/4/31, AT918374 at 1040H, found approx 1 ton rice in bin w/shelter over it. Will evac.
27	1210	11th, Rcn/4/3, BS534803 at 1115H, stay behind ambush, eng'd 15 VC (2 had wpns). Res: 7 VC KIA, VC got 3 shots off.
28	1215	Div Avn, A/1/20, A/1/20 completed CA into LZ Green (BS575676), LZ cold.
29	1223	196, B/3/21, BT007211 at 1200H, obs 1 VC evading, eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA, 1xAK47 CIA SN 10084174, also captured 2xAK mags w/ammo, 1xpistol belt, 2xhome made HG CIA.
30		196th, D/3/21, BT077236 at 0800H, 1 VN male in hut, had 3 to 4 month old bullet wound in shoulder. Hut searched w/neg results. Detained male and was evac to Center, will be evac to LZ Baldy.
31	1310	196, B/4/31, AT813318 at 1250H, a Chieu Hoi led element to a K-44 w/some rds in it, was in good condition and will be evac.
32	1115	39th Engr, B Co, BS622845 at 1115H, VN turned in the following ammo: 1x57mm rd, 5x105mm rds, 2xM18Ai mines, 18x40mm rds, 1x60mm mort rd, 12xM26 HG. All destroyed.
33	1240	196, E/3/21, BT011273 at 1210H, obs 2 MAM evading 150 meters NE, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
34		0815H, CPT Patenaude (G-2 Watch III MAF) to pass to G-3 watch info that Opn Norfolk commenced at 080800H Apr, 1st sitrep to be submitted today. Opn Burlington commenced 081200H Apr, overlays of areas to follow.
35	1251	11th, TOC, BS551623 at 1215H, Aero Scouts fired on, 1xOH23 shot down, crew (3) presumed dead. 2nd acct fired on resulting in A/C commander wounded, he was evac to Quang Ngai. 3rd acct fired on, checking damage now. Ships from Aero Scouts dispatched to area where ship was downed. 1330H, Avn stated that there are 2 US KHA, 2 WHA (E). 1 US KHA still in ship, scout inf plat are on the way to ship to get it out.
36	1303	11th, E Trp, BS608608 at 1245H, found 1 VC KIA dressed in green uniform, 1x7.62mm German pistol CIA SN185969, also found a flashlight and some documents. Will evac all equip and documents.

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37	1310	196, B/2/1 OPCON 4/31, AT913386 at 1230H, rec'd 10 rds SA fire 500 meters to the north, returned fire and called arty. Obs unk number of VC running NW. Still calling arty and pursuing them now.
38	1315	198, 1/52, D/1/52, PZ 0855, lifts completed 1150H. C/1/52 PZ 1235H, lifts completed at 1255H. Moved to LZ Baldy vic BT133453.
39	1325	196, 1/6, C/1/6, PZ, lifts completed 1217H, D/1/6, PZ 1202, LZ 1318H, complete to Tam Ky airfield.
40	1333	11th, C/4/3, 1st lift 1215, LZ cold, 2nd lift 1221H, LZ cold, 3rd lift 1245H, LZ cold, 4th lift 1257H, LZ cold (completed).
41	1340	11th, D/4/3, BS503738 at 1315H, rec'd 30 to 40 rds of SA and AW fire. Res: 2 US WHA (E), returned fire and called in arty. Checked area, res: 6 VC KIA, 1 NVA KIA, 6 wpns CIA: 1xAK-47 SN 10126560, 1xSKS SN 10090246, 1xChicom carbine type 144 SN TP4595, 3xChicom carbines model 1954, SN's 1282174, 1018987, 1254444, also captured 4xpacks, 11xChicom HG, 1xM26 HG, 120xrds 7.62 Chicom ammo, 52x rds AK-47 ammo, and 2xwallets. Will evac all equip, ammo, and wpns.
42	1347	11th, B/3/1, BS892304 at 1300H, detained 1 MAM, will question.
43	1350	196, B/3/21, AT994217 at 1235H, obs movement in brush 40 meters to the S, eng'd w/SA, checked area w/neg results. A further check of area found 3 bunkers, 2 hootches, bunkers 6' long, 3' wide w/2 ft overhead cover. Destroyed everything, also found 2xcarbine magazine carriers.
44	1350	198th, TOC, 1200H, 5/46 assumed responsibility for 1/52 AO at 1200H.
45	1415	11th, C/1/20, BS559599, C/1/20 will CA into LZ Black coord BS559599. C/4/3 move to area of downed helicopter to secure it at BS551623. Checked w/11th Bde as to OK by CG to run. Given a YES from 11th TOC (CPT Henderson). CG called to inform that CA of 1/46 would go on time. All planned A/C were to be sent to that loc. Avn notified and A/C diverted from C/1/20 to D/1/46. C/1/20 to use available organic aircraft.
46	1426	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT204214 at 1345H, 1 gunship took 1 hit from AW, ship made it back to 1/1 pad and is not flyable.
47	1437	11th, C/4/3, BS551623 at 1430H, unit is in vic of downed helicopter to secure it.
48	1445	FSE, CPT Ellis, BT293234 at 1340H, 3x155 howitzers from 3/16th completed move. Laid and are now ready to fire.
49	1451	196, Convoy 1/6, BT070372 at 1413H, 5-ton ammo vehicle from 3/16 Arty hit mine. Res: 1 US KHA. Left hole 4' x 7'. Truck completely destroyed. Road being repaired. Ammo switched to another truck, convoy continued.
50	1500	196, BTOC, LRRP Marie, not inserted today due to lack of gunship support available. Request 2 Slicks 090900H for insertion of Marie. Further request another team 090800H. Will be picked up at LRRP Pad. Make aerial recon of area for walk-in insertion from Ryder approx 091200H vic AT8831. Avn advised of request.
51	1540	Div Avn, 198th Avn, D/1/46, completed 1st lift of CA into hot LZ vic BT278114 at 1535H. This begins Operation Burlington. CA complete at 1551H.
52	1545	11th, A/1/20, BS575665 at 1530H, eng'd 2 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
53	1545	196, B/4/31, AT815321 at 1500H, found in a camouflaged ravine: 9xcases of B-40 rockets (27), 2xcases of AL-47 ammo (540 rds per case), all new ammo, 12xAP mines, all will be evac.
54	1551	196th, CPT Morris, 1550H, 1/52 assumes control of AO w/196th.
55		198th TOC, E & rcn/1/52 completed air move to 196th at 1150H.
56	1619	Div Avn, CPT Bowen, 1619H, B/1/46, CA complete, LZ coord BT296123.
57	1700	HQ's Cmdt, effective 1800H, Green Alert status.
58	1320	11th, E/1 Cav, BS610630 at 1301H, detained 2 female VCS. They were carrying a basket of rice w/110,000 Dong in bottom of basket, will evac.
59	0824	(delayed entry) LZ Blue, complete 0800H. CA by D/1/20, BS503655. CA by B/1/20, LZ Red. Complete 1003H. Helicopters fired on when departing from LZ. 2 were hit. B/1/20 CA vic BS543675.
60	1320	(delayed entry) 196th, request AO ext into 1/1 AO for 3/21. Has been coordinated with 1/1. 082000-101800 from BT150290, N to 150320, W to BT120320, S to BT120290. CG approved 1800H (CPT Morris), 196th notified 1825H.
61	1550	(delayed entry) 11th, BS792856 at 150H, rec'd rifle fire. Vic above coord. Returned fire, res: 6 VC KIA (C).
62	1500	(delayed entry) S-2, 39th Engr, BS718593 at 1500H, VN turned in 1 BT HG, VN disarmed. Engr's destroyed.
63	1605	(delayed entry) 198th, Rcn/5/46, BT487966 at 1530H, CA by Rcn element of 5/46. LZ time: 1530H, BT487966.
64	1615	(delayed entry) 11th, C/4/3, BS562624 at 1555H, rec'd 7-8 rds SA fire. Returned fire, res: 1 VC KIA, 1x.45 cal pistol CIA SN 1726149. At same time found downed chopper (OH-23) w/1 US KHA. Also found 2 2xM-60's & 1xM-26 intact. (Ref journal entry #35). Aircraft secure.
65	1640	CLDC, alert condition Green, effective 1800H.
66	1645	198th, D/1/46, BT276114 at 1525H, found 2xUS carbines & packs on LZ. SN's 3728493, 6409883.
67	1655	1/1, F/8, BT221236 at 1645H, 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
68	1655	11th, E Trp 1st Cav, BS610630 at 1301H, detained 2 VCS.

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69	1700	S-2, 39th Engr, B/39 Engr, BS622846, VN turned in the following: 1x105mm rd, 1x2.75 rkt, 3xM26 HG, 1x40mm M-79 rd.
70	1747	11th, B/1/20, BS541660 at 1720H, in contact. Found what appears to be VC base camp. Also found 119x.50 rds, 1xsight for AW, 6xruck sacks, food, eating utensils, NVA clothing & documents. 2 US KHA. MTF. Broke contact 1815H.
71	1749	196th, D/3/21, BT060237 at 1710H, obs 1 VC evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA. White PJ's, 35-40 yrs old. No wpn, ID, or documents.
72	1730	198th, B/1/46, completed CA at 1619H, vic BT296123.
73	1757	11th, C/1/20, 1st lift TD 1725H, cold LZ. Loc: BS559599. 4 more Slick loads req to complete. Completed 1757H.
74	1207	196th, 71st Avn, BT053405 at 1740H, rec'd 1 rd sniper fire. Went through bubble cutting VHF radio wire, return to Chu Lai for repairs. Neg casualties.
75	1820	11th, B/4/3, 622844 at 1700H, VN turned in the following: 200xcarbine rds, 500xcarbine .30 rds, 96x60mm rds, still in box, 1xM-1 bayonet, 21x3.5 rkt rds, still in box, 3x105 rds, 8xsmoke grenades, 75x .50 cal rds, 5xM26 HG's, 2x155mm rds. Will destroy.
76	1820	11th, C/1/20, at 1757H C/1/20 completed CA 1757H. LZ cold. CA vic BS559599.
77	1855	196th, C/3/21, BT127293 at 1800H, obs 1 NVA evading 300 meters to the N. Eng'd w/SA, res: 1 NVA KIA (C). 22 yrs old, had black shirt, blue shorts. CIA 1xChicom HG, bag of rice, documents, 1xNVA belt. Evac belt and documents. Rest destroyed.
78	1855	196th, request time ext until 112400H Apr on the NE AO extension. CG approved. 196th (CPT Morris) notified 1825H.
79	1905	11th, C/4/3, BS551641 at 1749H, eng'd 1 VC evading, 1 VC KIA.
80	1958	198th, D/5/46, BS571965 at 1950H, bunker 16 rec'd 1 HG thrown into bunker line. Res: 2 WHA (evac), 1 WHA (minor).
81	2040	At 2040H, MAJ Rector, Div Avn Section, was requested to notify the Aero Scout Cmdr that the Aero Scouts would be responsible primarily to the requests of the 11th Bde in Opn Muscatine, Opn Norfolk, and the Duc Pho AO during the next few days. Avn notified S-3, 123rd at 2130H.
82	2200	1st CAG, CAP 134, at 1900H Co of 130th Bn are moving into area of Dung Ly 4&5, BT665003, 663009. At present time they are at Nui Nam Tram (BT663052) living in caves and tunnels. CO's name: Nguyen Niem, XO Nguyen Bada, 01 Tran Roi, 01 Nguyen Ban. Civilians in 133 area passed info on to civilians in 134 area who told PF's. Mission is to attack all US and ARVN military units in area.
83	2240	39th Engr, D Co, BT134453 at 2020H, rec'd 15 rds 4.2" mortar being fired by friendly elements. 10 rds exploded, 5 did not. No damage, no casualties. Mortars fired by F/17 Cav. Blew 4 duds in place. Reported by SP Driscoll.
84	2245	1st CAG, CAP 138, BS582921 at 1900H, while searching huts came across 1 male and 1 female. PF said they were VC. Male ran, female detained. When leaving hut, 1 male spotted returning with 4 companions. Eng'd w/SA, searched area, res: unk. No bodies were found.
85	2245	1st CAG, CAP 133, BS667973-B5667977, ambush enroute to loc spotted 5-7 VC moving into Phuoc Hoa #1. Ambush set up. Called illum, ambush opened fire. VC fled to Phuoc Hoa #2. Area searched with neg results.
86		At 2053H the 11th Bde (CPT Holbrook) was informed that the Aero Scouts presently working for them will be responsive primarily to the 11th Bde requests in the Muscatine, Norfolk, and Duc Pho AO during the next few days. Requested that we DTOC be advised on the employment of the Aero Scouts as they are employed. Requested that the 11th Bde show in their Sitrep the planned employment of Aero Scouts on the following day.
87	2400	Ops Summary: Americal Div units cont'd combat opns in the Div AO w/light contact reported, and initiated 2 major opns. In Opn Wheeler/Wallowa the 1st Bn, 6th Inf minus Co B was air moved from LZ Baldy (BT133453) to vic Tam Ky (BT308188) becoming OPCON to 196th LIB. The 1st Bn, 52nd Inf minus A Co, was air moved to LZ Baldy, closing 1550Hand becoming OPCON to the 196th LIB. B Co 1/52 was moved to LZ Colt (BT114375). Opn Burlington was initiated with the CA od D/1/46 (-) to vic BT278112 and B/1/46 (-) to vic BT292113, complete at 1619H. Opn Burlington is a road clearing opn to open the road from Tam Ky to Tien Phuoc. Units under the 198th LIB control will be 1st Bn, 6th Inf & elements of 1st Bn, 46th Inf. 1/1 Cav will operate in the northern half of the AO in conjunction with the 198th LIB. In Opn Muscatine a stay-behind ambush of R/4/3 at 1115H eng'd 15 VC vic BS5380 resulting in 7 VC KIA (C). D/4/3 at 1315H vic BS5380 eng'd an unk number of enemy resulting in 6 VC KIA (C), 1 NVA KIA (C), and 6 IWC. Swift Boats from 12th Coastal Group vic BS6288 rec'd fire from the shore at 1550H. Ret'd fire resulting in 6 VC KIA (C). Opn Norfolk was initiated with the CA of 1st Bn, 20 Inf. The purpose of the opn is to locate & destroy NVA/VC forces operating NW of the Song Ve Valley and extend GVN control into the area. D/1/20 CA at 0825H to BS5065, B/1/20 CA at 1003H to vic BS5467 with A/1/20 at 1140H to vic BS5468. C/4/3 CA to BS5564 at 1257H and moved to vic BS5562 where a OH-23 had been shot down & secured aircraft. C/1/20 was then CA to vic BS5860 at 1800H and established blocking position. The HQ's and Recon were moved to vic BS616644 along with B Btry 6/11 Arty. In other arty moves, B/1/14 Arty moved from Hill 54 (BT396145) to vic BT316131 and established fire base. A/3/16 Arty moved 3 tubes to vic BT293233. Americal Div totals: 5 KHA, 7 WHA (evac), 1 WHA (minor), 37 VC KIA, 2 NVA KIA, 15 IWC.
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2	0745	Americal TOC, MAJ Denmark, informed ADE that front door of TOC is binding and requested repair of same.
3	0807	1/1, F/8 CAV, BT165256 at 0805H, 2 MAM evading, res: 2 VC KIA.
4	0812	11th, LRRP Helen, BS476635 at 0805H, rec'd SA and AW fire, neg casualties. LRRP will be extracted.
5	0815	196th, E/3/21, AT995262 at 0720H, obs 1 MAM evading. Eng'd w/SA. res: 1 VC KIA, wearing green NVA shirt, GI cap, blk PJ bottoms. Nearby found possible patrol base. CIA: 1xclip M-1 ammo, 6xM-16 mags w/ammo, 2xM26 HG, 30 lbs rice, 1xUS canteen, 1xUS poncho, 1xNVA gas mask, 1xUS kerosene lantern, 1xbear trap, 12" in diameter. All equip evac, rice was destroyed.
6	0825	CSIC, reported that 2xC-124 A/C arrived w/20 pax and 10 vehicles for 4/21 Inf. 1st A/C arrived 082030H, 2nd A/C arrived 082130H, types of vehicles: 2xmess trucks, 2x2-1/2 trucks, and 6xJeeps. Three are due in on April 9, 1 at 0935, 2200, and 2400. Passed to 11th 0830H, 11th stated that the S-3 (MAJ Clifford) is at Chu Lai.
7	0830	11th, D/4/3, BS521708 at 0826H, detained 2 VCS, were MAM w/no ID. Will evac for questioning.
8	0835	196, C/3/21, BT113310 at 0800H, obs and eng'd 1 MAM 75 meters to the west. Res: 1 VC KIA.
9	0840	G-3, Opn Burlington changed to Burlington Trail. Opn Norfolk changed to Norfolk Victory. Notified III MAF at 0842H. Passed to 1/1, 196th, 198th, and 11th, by secure at 0905H.
10	0853	198th, E & HQ 1/52 (W/W), HQ & E 1/52 movement to LZ Baldy (BT133453), PZ 0700H, LZ 0800H. Movement complete.
11	0900	11th, BTOC, BS476635 at 0848H, LRRP extracted at 0848H.
12	0910	123rd Avn, at 0910H, acknowledged Frag Order #25-68.
13	0940	G-5 Walthall, B/2/1, AT918376 at 0930H, 6 refugees from above coord moved to District HQ, An Hoa Duc Duc.
14	0920	11th, D/1/20, BS524623 at 0820H, found a hut w/500-800 lbs of rice, 50 VC ponchos, and 1 crossbow (BT).
15	0925	11th, A/1/20, BS588665 at 0752H, found a bundle of 5000 punji sticks. Destroyed.
16	0930	198th, B/1/6, (Baldy) BT133453/(Tam Ky) BT308188, lift from Baldy to Tam Ky complete, PZ0800, LZ 0830.
17	0940	11th, E/1/1, BS596614 at 0915H, detained 3 VN, 1 female and 2 males. Reason: 1 male and female had pictures of VC flags in their possession.
18	0950	198th, D/1/6, CA for D/1/6 complete, PZ 0855, Hill 218, LZ 0941, vic BT239142, cold.
19	1015	198th, BTOC, BT237141, CA B/1/6 complete at 1008H, cold LZ.
20	1005	198th, H/17 Cav, BT330209 (CL), 0900H, found 2x82mm rds, destroyed in place, 1xUS WHA (E) from shrapnel when rds were being destroyed.
21	1023	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT217206 (BT), 1030H, obs 3 MAM evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
22	1025	11th, C/4/3, BS557652 (NP), 0931H, found 1 ton of rice which they will evac, also found 2 wpns wrapped in a poncho hidden in the rice. Wpns: 1xM-1 rifle SN 4508267, and K-44 SN 2775.
23	1026	11th, C/4/3, BS556644 (NF), 0952H, found a MG position and 3 fox holes, from the MG position there was commo wire strung 300 meters to a hole coord BS556640. In the hole they found a ton of rice, rice will be evac. Fox holes and MG position will be destroyed.
24	1028	11th, C/4/3, BS557652 (NF), 1010H, found 2 wpns: 1xBAR SN 582496 and 1xK-44 SN 10M329.
25	1030	11th, MACV Advisor, 1005H, they report that a VC Co is located at above coord. Also reported that there is a VC Bn moving west to east on grid line 66. At the same time they reported it, they were crossing Hwy #1. ARVN will check this area out.
26	1038	CSIC, 26th Engr, BT263352, ARVN detonated a mine on east ramp of double single Bailey Bridge. Res: 1 ARVN KHA, minor damage to bridge, ETR: 1330H.
27	1040	198, BTOC, A/3/21 closed FSB Center 1020H. B & C of 2/1 Inf switch complete 1037H. C/2/1 to AT902394, B/2/1 to LZ Ross (BT027342).
28	0930	196th, S-3 (MAJ Beardon), BT107504 at 0920H, reported that 9 Mar Engr's that conduct road sweep in our northern area is provided security by 196. ROK's have responsibility for security of road sweep in their AO. ROK's didn't meet team this morning and team elected to go on without security. Approx 400 meters across AO boundary the road sweep team came under fire. The commander of US troops with Americal AO made decision to enter ROK AO and assist the mine sweep team. 0935H: CPT Reber, LO to ROK's, notified and requested that ROK's provide assistance in that area. 1005H: SP Pierce says 3rd Bn ROK Marines security force on way to assist mine sweep team. 1010H: contact broken, sweep team heading north, neg casualties or damage.
29	1107	39th Engr, C Co, BS723576 at 0920H, found 1x60mm rd at work site, blew in place.
30	1107	39th Engr, C Co, BS731548 at 0805H, BT explosive on unk origin found at base of culvert excavation. Detonated by NV. Res: 1 VN WHA, seriously (evac), 1 US WHA (evac), continued mission.

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31	1111	196, C/3/21, BT100305 at 1045H, obs and eng'd 1 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA, wearing blk PJ's, 35-40 yrs old, no wpn, documents, or ID.
32	1122	196, C&C 3/21, BT032293 at 1109H, rec'd SA fire, neg hits, continued mission.
33	1130	198th, A/1/6, BT263126, A/1/6 CA: 1st lift TD 1106H, cold LZ, 2nd lift 1118H, cold LZ, CA complete cold.
34	1152	196, E/3/21, BT001266 at 1030H, obs 1 VN, told to halt, attempted to evade, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA. Was wearing purple shirt, white trousers, no wpn, ID, or documents.
35	1153	196, C/4/31, AT892385 at 1120H, Hoi Chanh led them to 1,000 lbs unpolished rice. Will evac.
36	1230	FSE, D/1/14 Arty, BT237140 at 1052H, D/1/14 Arty closed above coord at 1052H w/4 tubes. Unit is laid and ready to fire but has not registered at this time.
37	1230	198th, C/1/6, BT263126 at 1125-1147H, 1st lift, PZ 1125H, LZ 1147H. C/1/6 complete.
38	1245	11th, B/3/1, BS910290 at 1213H, rec'd SA fire, detained 38 VCS.
39	1245	11th, B/3/1, BS904278 at 1213H, detained 2 VCS.
40	1015	Div Avn Office, Div Avn Officer (MAJ Rector) notified TOC that the 2 gunships at Kham Duc were down for maintenance. III MAF desires they be replaced NLT 1400H and that the G-3 be advised. G-3 office notified 1015H and requested to pass info to LTC Balmer as soon as he returns. Gunships departed for Kham Duc at 1430H.
41	1130	Americal MID, A CI Section informant who has furnished reliable info in the past, submitted the following: at approx. 1900H 8 Apr 68, 1 VC Main Force company met and travelled w/local guerrillas from Ky Thang (V) to Ky Chanh (V), Ly Tin (D) Quang Tin (P). They intend to attack and mortar US installations at Ky Chanh (V) BT397155 and Ky Chanh Market Place BT418123 and US installations at Tac Huon (H) Ky Bich (V) Ly Tin (D), Quang Tin (P) BT331176. Time of these attacks are unk. Commanders: Do The Chap and Ngo Nghien. Wpns: 2 hvy MG, 3 auto rifles, various indiv wpns.
42	1333	11th, C/3/1, BS778424 at 1315H, detained 1 VCS evading, was 50 years old.
43	1334	11th, B/3/1, BS905285 at 1305H, Dustoff for 1 VC at 1323H, shot while evading. 1 VC WIA/CIA.
44	1334	11th, C/3/1, BS780425 at 1315H, detained 1 VCS evading, 18 yrs old.
45	1335	1/1, F/8, BT206178 at 1330H, 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
46	1340	11th, A/1/20, BS591655 at 1331H, detained 1 MAM, no ID.
47	1348	11th, A/1/20, BS591655 at 1331H, detained 1 MAM, no ID.
48	1445	11th, C/3/1, BS818440 at 1420H, called Dustoff for 1 US WHA (E), rec'd SA fire. Dustoff complete 1439H and are now checking area.
49	1505	11th, C/3/1, BS818440 at 1450H, engaged 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
50	1505	196, C/3/21, BT090307 at 1430H, 1 MAM 100 meters west of location evading. Eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
51	1510	11th, E Trp, 1st Cav, BS620564 at 1450H, engaged 2 VC. Res: 1 VC CIA and 1 VC KIA.
52	1525	198th, D/1/46, BT272103 at 1450H, called Dustoff for 1 US heat casualty, complete at 1507H.
53	1530	CISC, D/26 Engr, BT253256 at 1500H, 5-Ton dump truck hit mine. 2 EM WHA (M). 1/1 follow-up report: truck backed over mine, was a 105mm rd w/5 lb TOT type fuse. Left 4' x 3' crater. Truck was a total loss.
54	1541	1/1, A/1/1, BT212166 at 1540H, 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
55	1555	G-5 (196), A/2/1, AT967334 at 1300H, picked up 2 refugees at above coord. Taken to Que Son Dist HQ's.
56	1600	196, ref journal entry #35, should read 4,000 lbs of rice.
57	1605	196th, LRRP Margie, AT961289 at 1600H, LRRP Margie extracted at 1600H.
58	1542	196, BTOC, request 2 Slicks to insert LRRP teams 10 Apr. 1 will take team to Ryder for walk-in, other insert LRRP Margie, both report to LRRP Pad 0800H. Aircraft requested through Aviation.
59	1612	39th Engr, B Co, BS622846 at 1520H, VN turned in the following ammo: 1x105mm rd, 7x60mm rds, 6x40mm rds, 1xAP mine, 1x81mm rd, 3x57mm rds, and 6xM26 HG. All destroyed.
60	1613	11th, B/1/20, BS533653 at 1615H, rec'd 12 rds mortar fire. Aero Scouts on station. Called Dustoff for 5 WHA's. MTF. 1626H, calling arty on enemy suspected mortar position.
61	1631	196th, C/3/21, BT104306 at 1558H, obs 2 MAM evading 75 meters N of location. Eng'd, res: 2 VC KIA, no wpn, ID, or documents.
62	1633	1/1, C/1/1, BT197183 at 1630H, eng'd 2 VC evading, res: 3 VC KIA.
63	1635	CLDC, condition Green at 1800H.

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64	1030	(delayed entry) IFFORCEV, COL Percy called: desires we act as intermediary for AO McArthur request to 2nd ARVN. MAJ Denmark called CPT Seaworth, Quang Ngai, 1045H. CPT Seaworth returned call 1120H, stated areas had been cleared by 2nd ARVN (MAJ Nginh, G-3). MAJ Denmark passed above clearance to COL Percy, IFFORCEV at 1125H. COL Percy requested a follow-up msg, will be sent. Confirming msg dispatched at 090845Z Apr 68.
65	1655	CSIC, 4/21, CLDC at 1630H, C/1/41 landed w/10 passengers and 4 vehicles.
66	1655	11th, B/3/1, BS905285 at 1620H, detained 1 VCS, evading.
67	1700	196, 4/31, AT952342, 4/31 requested VR over AT952342 by F/8. Suspect VC's location, come up on 4/31 command push. Mission: 1 hour. On station ASAP. 1/1 notified: all F/8 ships being used for contact. 196 notified: will use their own choppers.
68	1715	1/1, ref journal entry #62. Add: 16 VC KIA, 2xSKS's SN 71552 and 0K1338, 1xAK-47 SN 1008146, 1xBAR SN 586476 SAR, 1xAK-50 SN 220445, 1xRPG-2 SN 1002357, 1xbangalore torpedo, 15x60mm mortar rds, 4xhomemade HG, 12xB-40 rcts, all CIA. 7 of the above VC were killed from air strike.
69	1806	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT201188 at 1800H, eng'd 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
70	1806	198th, D/1/14, BT236160 at 1730H, FO obs 5 VC in hootch, called arty. Res: 3 VC KIA, 2 VC WIA.
71	1807	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT198192 at 1805H, eng'd 2 MAM in spider hole. Res: 2 VC KIA.
72	1830	11th, A/1/1, BT211166 at 1810H, found 1 SKS SN 1148109, and 1 VC KIA by air strike.
73	1830	11th, C/3/1, BS804427 at 1705H, 2 VCS detained, evading.
74	1840	1/1, F/8, BT196188 at 1825H, 3 MAM evading, res: 3 VC KIA.
75	1840	1/1, F/8, BT214170 at 1830H, 1 MAM evading. Res: 1 VC KIA, also engaged approx 30 VC hiding in a trench.
76	1840	1/1, C/1/1, BT197183 at 1630H, ref journal entry #62, air strike: destroyed 1 bunker, put Napalm on 2 and burned them down, destroyed 5 structures, opened up 20 meters of trench line.
77	1925	196th, C/3/21, BT107296 at 1800H, obs 2 MAM evading 100 meters to E. Eng'd w/SA, res: 2 VC KIA.
78	1930	196th, S-2, at 1645H request LRRP team leaders come to their loc for over flight for insertion the following day. Checked with LRRP 1st SGT. They have a team leader from LRRP Irene who can go up to the 196th. Approved by LTC Trexler. Request trans from Avn to get team leader to the 196th.
79	1940	11th, D/4/3, vic 512708 at 1615H, rec'd hvy AW fire. Called arty and 81mm. Requested air strike. Contact broken at 1630H after air strike. Still receiving SA at 1805H, BS519968, 1 US WHA by sniper at 1555H. Minor but evac at 1915H. 1 US WHA at 1820, evac at 1915H.
80	1945	1/1, C/1/1, 197183 at 1730H, 1 WHA (minor).
81	1945	1/1, C/1/1, BT197183 at 1930H, eng'd unk number VC. Res: 6 VC KIA, 1xAL-47 SN 10056095, 1xM-1 carbine SN unk, 5xB-40 rcts w/fuses, 15xChicom grenades, 7x rifle grenades, 15xcombat packs CIA.
82	2030	196th, BTOC, at 1738H, req F/8 Cav support 10 Apr 68. Type mission: VR & blocking. Loc: AT8131, 8031, 8231, 8232, 8132, 8032. Time on station: 0830H. Duration: 2 hrs. Freq: 4/31 CMD. Loc of friendly: AT815823, be moving SE in morning. Passed to 1/1 at 1745H. 1905H, 1/1 feels they need to concentrate efforts in Burlington Trail with 198th. Passed to G-3. At 2030H, CPT Freeman notified that F/8 Cav was committed to operate in Burlington Trail on 10 Apr. If a situation develops which warrants use of F/8 Cav, they could request again at that time.
83	2030	1/1, reports road is very narrow in the area they are working and crossing road may take a large part of day w/Engr's help. Would like additional Engr help if possible. G-3 notified and said that consideration would be given to giving them more Engr support after troops on the ground and the area secure. 1/1 notified at 2030H (MAJ Medbury).
84	2151	196th, A/3/21, BT102302 at 2020H, obs VC evading 200 meters from loc. Eng'd w/SA. Res: 1 VC KIA (C), black PJ's w/web gear. 1x.45 cal ammo pouch, 1xfirst aid packet. 1xUS type pistol belt, 2 lbs rice, 1xVC poncho. Rice destroyed, web gear evac.
85	2400	Opns Summary: Americal Div units cont'd combat opns in zone w/light contact reported. In Opn Burlington Trail, C/1/1 Cav vic BT197183 eng'd an unk size force at 1630H. Armed gunships, air strikes, and organic opns resulted in 25 VC KIA (C), 7 IWC, 1 CSWC, 1 US WHA (M). In Opn Burlington Trail, 1st Bn, 6th Inf CA into 2 LZ's. D/1/6 CA at 0941H to BT239142 and was followed into the LZ by B/1/6 at 1008H. A/1/6 CA at 1118H to BT263126 and was followed into the LZ by C/1/6 at 1147H. D Btry 1/14 Arty was air moved to BT239142 closing at 1052H. In Opn Wheeler/Wallowa, B/2/1 vic AT9039 was air moved to LZ Ross (BT027342) with C/2/1 moving to B Co's location, complete at 1037H. Americal Div totals: 10 WHA (E), 1 WHA (M), 57 VC KIA, 13 IWC, 1 CSWC.
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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	0001	(delayed entry) 11th Bde, B/4/3, BS620834 at 092115H, obs & eng'd 3 VC, res: 3 VC KIA (C).
3	0001	(delayed entry) E/2/1, BT028342 at 092145H, obs unk number of VC 400 meters NE of NDP, taking bath at well. Eng'd w/SA. Res: 1 VC KIA (C), wearing black shorts. Heard movement in bushes, fired M-60 and threw HG. Res: 1 water buffalo wounded.
4	0100	196th, D/2/1, BT050391 at 0100H, obs 3 VC 50 meters moving E to W. Eng'd w/Claymore mine. Res: 3 VC KIA (C). Each had wpn. M-1 carbines, SN's 5056959, 3798642, 6622988. 1 had pistol belt w/.38 cal pistol SNC527176. One of the others had 1xM26 HG. Found on bodies were 5xloaded carbine mags. HG destroyed, rest will be evac.
5	0410	1/1 Cav, B/1/1, BT250255 at 0200H, rec'd 30-35 rds of mortar (60mm or 82mm). Res: 1 WHA (M).
6	0615	CLDC back to normal working conditions at 0700H.
7	0707	11th, D/3/1, vic BS780535, CA 1st lift, PZ 0700H, LZ 0730H, cold. 2nd lift, LZ 0700H, 0712 cold. CA complete at 0712H cold.
8	0715	198th, TOC, 0715H, request support of F/8th Cav for VR in the following area from BT2412, S to 2410, W to 1310, N to 1312, E to 2412. Period of request 1000-1200H. Work in 1/6 Inf area. CG approved. 1/1 Cav notified, 0815H 198th notified, 0817H, 196th will not have use of F/8th Cav.
9	0852	11th, D/1/2, vic BS529652 at 0852H, 1st lift 0820H, LZ cold, 2nd lift 0835H, LZ cold, complete 0850H.
10	0900	198th, C&C 1/6, vic BT218145 at 0935H, rec'd 1xsniper rd.
11	0940	1/1 Cav, road open from Tam Ky to LZ Baldy.
12	0935	CLDC, TOC, 1030H, B Co, 23rd S&T will test a siren in Sector VII.
13	0945	196th, C/3/21, vic BT095305 at 0830H, found 1xdead VC in hootch, KIA by SA, dead 24 hrs.
14	0945	196th, C/3/21, vic BT088303 at 0825H, obs 1 MAM evading 300 meters N, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA (C).
15	0925	196th, 9th Marine Engr, 0920H, ROK security element did not meet road sweep team when the team entered ROK AO. Team received fire vic BT105505. Road sweep team requested gunship support from 196th. 196th requested clearance from this HQ to send gunships. G-3 approved and 196th notified of approval. ROK's (CPT Coggershall) notified of actions taking place within their AO. Notified 9th Marine Engrs S-3 office of action and requested they make necessary coordination with ROK's for security while in the ROK AO.
16	0933	198th, B/1/46, vic BT286104 at 0905H, discovered 2xBT. 1xbow & arrow type and 1 was a dead-fall (cement block was used). Dead-fall: cement block hanging from tree, BT to fall on a person.
17	0935	198th, A/5/46, vic BS514917 at 0855H, found 7x175mm rds, will blow in place.
18	0935	198th, B/1/46, vic BT286104 at 0852H, rec'd 2 rds of sniper fire. Direction NE, vic BT286104.
19	1000	1/1 Cav, TOC, 1000H, element can't cross at proposed river crossing site of BT211165. They will move to BT211167 and try to cross there. A Trp will move to BT202179 & C Trp to BT199189 after the crossing is made.
20	1015	11th, D/1/20, vic BS554622 at 091615H, detained 2 VC suspects.
21	1025	1/1 Cav, C/1/1, vic BT196254 at 1015H, ACAV hit mine. Blew hole 4' x 4'. Possibly a 155mm rd. Moderate damage to track. 3 WHA (evac).
22	0945	1/1 Cav, S-2, in area of contact of C Trp 1/1, 6xPW's were detained. Initial interrogation reveals they are from 3rd Co, 72nd Bn, that unit is now located vic BT1814. They say there are 3 Co's within the Bn. Each Co has an average strength of 80 men, but now 1 Co is down to 50 men.
23	1100	196th, A/3/21, vic BT901233 at 0745H, rec'd SA fire from BT102237. Arty called, checking area, found hootch w/1 VC KIA (C).
24	1110	196th, B/1/6, vic BT227141 at 0946H, spotted 5 VC moving west, 1 had carbine 7 4 others unk, wearing civilian clothes. Called organic mortars.
25	1115	11th, C/3/1, vic BS804445 at 1030H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA (C).
26	1115	198th, vic BT165090, requested F/8 to come back to area where they spotted 15-20 VC at 1045H. Air strike was brought in and now they want F/8 Inf Plat inserted. Called 1/1, they are sending team back to area and are checking on whether or not they can send the reaction plat 1133H. 1/1 does not feel it feasible to insert the plat (23 men) as they feel the plat is too small to be put in the area. Passed to G-3. 1140H, G-3 determined that F/8 Inf Plat would not be used. Passed to 1/1 & 198th.
27	1110	198th, F/8, vic BT165090 at 1045H, sighted 15-20 enemy in open, wearing green uniforms, web gear & have wpns. Obs, rec'd fire (AW heavy) from area. Air strike requested, airstrike 1138H complete, 1 structure destroyed & 10 meter trench was uncovered.
28	1116	196th, C/3/21, vic BT094291 at 0855H, obs 1 MAM evading, 1 VC KIA (C, had ID cat=rd but it did not belong to him).

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29	1120	11th, CPT Henderson, request 3 Slicks to move 70 pax from BS615639 to BS539660 ASAP. Want to seal route in which approx. 15 VC obs moving on. 174th Avn, 2 A/C available. G-3 approved, Avn notified. 1125H, 11th notified of approval & authority to coord direct w/174th. 1132H, Avn notified TOC that 174th has only 2 Slicks avail & the 11th will accept use of only 2 Slicks. 1135H, G-3 notified of 11th use of only 2 Slicks.
30	1135	11th, C/3/1, vic BS787445 at 1100H, detained 2 VC's evading. Also picked up IC with an old wound which seems infected. Dustoff complete for IC.
31	1141	11th, C/3/1, vic BS774478 at 1100H, detained 1 VC evading.
32	1143	196th, TOC, 0920H, LRRP team Marie inserted at 0920H.
33	1157	196th, BTOC, LRRP Irene to be inserted vic AT946292. Request 2 Slicks to pick up Irene at LRRP Pad 0800H 11 Apr. Insertion time 0900H. LRRP Jeanie at Ryder today, will be inserted tomorrow, no A/C requirement.
34	1220	196th, C/3/21, vic BT085293 at 1045H, while moving west, obs 1 MAM, short hair & green uniform, evading, eng'd at 50 meters. 1 VC KIA (C). At same time 4 MAM jumped out of a hedgerow & evaded SW. Eng'd w/SA, res: 3 VC KIA (C). All about 20 yrs old, 2 had green uniforms, 3rd wearing black, 2x4lb sacks of rice & some documents on them, found more documents nearby. 1 uniform evac & documents. Res: 4 VC KIA (C).
35	1146	11th, D/4/3, vic BS515710 at 1040H, found in a hut, in tunnel, 22 wpns, large qty of med supplies & ammo, to include some mortar rds, AP mines, and DML's. Some wpns appeared to be new. MTF. 1210H, 48 more wpns found, as of 1210H, 70 wpns CIA. 1225H, now 80 IWC. 1240H, count was 82 IWC.
36	1225	196th, A/3/21, vic BT103237 at 1000H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA (C).
37	1225	11th, D/4/3, vic BS512720 at 1213H, eng'd 1 VC evading, 1 VC KIA (C), 1 wpn CIA, M-2 carbine SN 322673.
38	1230	196th, B/2/1, vic BT005327 at 1015H, had EM trip BT, 2 US WHA (E), believe it to be M26.
39	1240	39198th, F/6, vic BT210134 at 1120H, numerous spider holes & trails leading E & W, also well camouflaged spider holes at vic BT216136.
40	1241	11th, B/4/3, vic BS512720 at 1219H, eng'd 1 VC evading, 1 VC WIA/CIA.
41	1245	198th TOC, vic BT5999, Marine EOD team will blow ordnance this afternoon.
42	1250	196th, D/4/3, vic AT831311 at 1240H, rec'd AW fire. Would like to have F/8 run VR in area. Passed to 1/1, 1/1 Cav stated that all ships were being used for Burlington Trail. Passed to G-3 at 1255H. G-3 disapproved request, passed to 1/1 & 196th at 1256H.
43	1254	CLDC, 198th EOD, vic BT5999, EOD will blow some mortar rds today, exact time unk & vic BT5999.
44	1310	1st CAG, CAP 134, vic BT663029 at 101030H, 4 man patrol heard voices along river, checked area, found 14 VC fishing & other men were security force, eng'd, res: 4 VC WIA, 3 VC KIA. Will check area later.
45	1343	11th, S-2, request aircraft to run sniffer mission 11 April. Request aircraft be at Duc Pho 110800H.
46	1343	11th, S-2, request permission to run a sniffer mission 11 April 69. Request aircraft to be at Duc Pho 110800H, AO BS7936, BS7438, BS8234, and BS7829.
47	1345	198th, S-2, request permission to run sniffer mission 11 April 68, AO BT3307, BT3609, BT3501. Request pilots be at 198th TOC at 110830H.
48	1346	198th, B/1/6, vic BT218144 at 1300H, destroyed 1 bunker w/M-72 LAW.
49	1346	198th, Rcn/1/46, vic BT442010 at 1240H, found bloody bandage, expended M-79 rds, expended carbine rds, and an old pistol belt.
50	1235	11th, D/1/20, vic BS525695 at 1228H, 1st lift 1228H, LZ hot, Slicks rec'd SA, neg damage. 1242H, 2nd lift, LZ cold. CA complete.
51	1347	198th, A/1/6, vic BT216133 at 1307H, rec'd 10 rds of sniper fire, also obs 5 VC w/wpns evading NW, eng'd w/neg results. Detained 1 VC suspect in same area.
52	1347	198th, B/1/6, vic BT218144 at 1310H, found 3 huts & 1 bear trap booby trapped. Bear trap & huts destroyed.
53	1350	196th, rec'd call from 196th stating that they had no objection against ARVN moving from Nui Loc Son. Passed info to CPT Johnson, Quang Ngai.
54	1400	11th, D/4/3, vic BS515710 at 1334H, detained 1 VC suspect in same area where they found wpns cache.
55	1305	11th, D/3/1, vic BS765535 at 1250H, found a cave w/1 SMG, 1 transistor radios, 20 VC uniforms, 18 rds AK-47, 50 rds 30 cal, 23 rds .45 cal, 1 Chicom HG.
56	1410	Reference journal entry #35, also found 200 homemade Bangalore torpedoes, 2,000 Chicom HG's, and tons of ammo. Count of wpns now at 110 IWC, 1 Japanese MG, 1x7.5mm MG & tripod, 1x60mm mortar.
57	1440	11th, D/1/20, vic BS523685 at 1420H, eng'd 3 VC w/wpns, res: 3 VC KIA, 1 US .45 cal pistol, 1 carbine, 1 SKS CIA.
58	1500	39th Engr, B/39, vic BS622846 at 1400H, VN turned in ammo: 13 rds 60mm mortar, 12 rds 40mm, 3 rds 57RR, 18xM26 HG's, 1x M-72 LAW, 3 lbs TNT. Destroyed.

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59	1500	11th, C/3/1, vic BS794475 at 1413H, rec'd sniper fire. Res: 1 US WHA (E),
60	1500	11th, D/4/3, vic BS512720 at 1219H, reference journal entry #40, change 1 VC WIA/CIA to 1 VC KIA.
61	1516	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT190175 at 1515H, eng'd 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
62	1520	198th, C/1/6, vic BT250145 at 1450H, obs 1 VN running N out of village. Res: found 1 US helmet liner.
63	1540	198th, S-3 1/46, vic BT315131 at 1512H, indiv hit mine, res: 2 US KHA, 4 WHA (E). Hole was 12" long x 6' deep.
64	1540	11th, B/1/20, vic BS543659 at 1519H, found 17xrds 57RR, 2xShape Charges, 30 lbs each, 10xB-40 RPG rds. Destroyed.
65	1544	11th, C/3/1, vic BS810440 at 1525H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VCS WIA/CIA.
66	1547	196th, C/4/31, AT886385 at 1240H, found & evac 8,500 lbs rice.
67	1600	196th, C/4/31, AT912371 at 1100H, Rallier led Co to a water filled bomb crater, found 6 cases 82mm rds, 5xB-40 rkts, 3 cases 7.62 ammo. In hedgerow found 1xAK-47 SN 10062440. Evac.
68	1601	196th, 3/1/52, BT135503 at 1515H, found 1,500 lbs rice in 4 containers, not camouflaged. Also detained 1 VCS.
69	1609	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT195178 at 1600H, eng'd 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
70	1610	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT195173 at 1608H, eng'd 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
71	1635	198th, BTOC, BT223109 at 1516H, Slick from 71st Avn rec'd 2 rds sniper fire, neg casualties or damage. Arty placed on location. Results unk.
72	1638	1/1, C/1/1, vic BT208200 vic 1630H, ACAV hit mine, est 250 lb bomb. 5 WHA evac, 1 KHA.
73	1705	1/1, A/1/1, BT197172 at 1655H, found 10xK-44's, brand new and still wrapped. SN's: 2419, 3205, 4576, 2275, 31879, 2853, 2939, 8169, 9792, 2768.
74	1706	11th, S-2, 4/3, BS515710 at 1652H, VC captured this afternoon led them to wpns cache, found 11xM-1 carbines and several Chinese shape charges. 16xshape charges, 60xChicom HG's, 98x60mm mortar rds, 68xB-40 rkts, 2xAK-47 magazines of ammo.
75	1706	11th, B/1/20, BS539660 at 1649H, eng'd 2 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
76	1707	196th, D/4/31, AT813318 at 1700H, unit reported receiving hvy volume of SA fire. Arty called. Request gunship support. Contacted 1/1 Cav to determine availability of F/8 Cav, 1/1 stated they were committed to Burlington Trail. 1714H, 196th notified (CPT Morris) that F/8 committed. Morris stated they would use their guns.
77	1733	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT191175 at 1730H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
78	1748	CLDC, condition Green effective 1800H.
79	1840	11th, BS915247 at 1800H, SF truck hit a mine, USA #4K 1964, Bumper # SFGA-CIDC, C-5367, 2 M forces KHA, 2 MF WHA, 1 US SF WHA (evac) to 11th Bde (LZ Bronco).
80	1840	11th, B/3/1, BS910271 at 1715H, detained 3 VC suspects.
81	1840	11th, B/1/20, BS530662 at 1740H, found in a cache, 150xChinese HG's, 9xRPG rds, 12x82mm rds. Will destroy.
82	1843	11th, TOC, at 1200H request AO ext of Muscatine be extended until 121800H April 1968. 11th Bde said ARVN's approved. 1205H, passed to SP Thachem, Quang Ngai and requested extension until 121800H. 1305H, approved by 2nd ARVN. CG approved. At 1843H, CPT Henderson of the 11th notified of approval.
83	1845	196th, TOC, want an AO ext from BT076496 E along river to BT102519, then SE above Hwy #1 to BT1150. There is supposed to be a VC tunnel in the area vic BT0949. They will see if they can locate it. Passed to ROK's at 1525H. At 1600H ROK's approved. At 1845H, CPT Morris notified of approval.
84	1850	1st CAG, CAP 125, BT416124 at 1745H, patrol found 2x90mm rds in house. Owner of house said rds were mixed in with wood rec'd fr US Army. Rds were still in original containers. Rds taken to CAP 125 CP to be forwarded to CACO.
85	1903	196th, C/2/1, AT915396 at 1810H, eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA, 1 pack, 1 NVA cook set, CIA. Also obs 6 more VC. 1 had wpn, eng'd w/SA. Checked area w/neg results.
86	1904	1/1, C/1/1, BT208200, ref journal entry #72, as of 1725H: ACAV total loss, 4 KHA, 2 WHA.
87	1940	196th, D/4/31, at 1700H, made contact with unk number VC. 1 US WHA (E). VC broke contact 300 meter to W. B/4/31 obs VC 800 meters W of above coord. Called arty. Neg results.
88		196th, C/4/31, AT885356 at 1720H, found 1,000 lbs rice in ravine. Will evac.
89	1940	196th, D/2/1, BT063382 at 1825H, rec'd 1 rd sniper fire, 100 meters E, 1 US WHA (E). Returned fire, checking area now.
90	1955	1/1, A/1/1, BT212164 at 1945H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA (C). 2xAK-44's, SN S16527, 19800, CIA.
91	2050	198th, BTOC, request hvy team for VR mission in the 1/6 area from 1000-1200H 11 Apr. Coord for mission: BT2014, 2114, 2013, 2113.

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	0235	198th, D/5/46, BS608985 at 0130H, eng'd unk size force, res: 9 KIA (C), 1xMG, 2xM26 HG, 1xAK-47 magazine CIA. It is questionable of who gets credit for the above kills. D Plat 5/46 was blocking for a CAP team sweep when both units engaged unk number of VC with above results.
3	0737	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT246173 at 0730H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
4	2000	11th, D/3/1, BS765534 at 0745H, found 10 VC hiding in a tunnel, none would come out. Eng'd, res: 7 VC KIA, 3 VC CIA.
5	0750	196th, B/2/1, BT027342, FSB Ross, 0715H, 1 MAM came to main gate, said he wanted to Chieu Hoi, wearing blk shirt and blue shorts, had small bag with him. He had a green uniform in the bag. Interrogation continues.
6	0755	196th, A/3/21, BT121221 at 0620H, rec'd 4 rds sniper fire in NDP. Returned fire and called arty. Neg results.
7	0930	MAG 13, PF's, 1 Bn (60/1 (old) changed to 108), as of 9/4/68 is located at Phuoc Khach (BT3706) of the Ky Sanh Village. 1 Bn (409) with Bui Kim Bong as CO is, as of 9/4/68, located at Ho Cong (BS3799) of the Ky Sanh Village. These Bn's are said to have rockets. They plan attacks on Chu Lai airfield, Ly Tin Dist HQ's, Ky Lien Village (HOD). Also mentioned as possible targets for attack, Ky Sanh (V), Ky Khuong (V), Ky Xuan (V), and Ky Chanh (V).
8	0959	196th, LRRP Marie, AT946394 at 0955H, LRRP Marie extracted at 0955H.
9	0825	196th, LRRP Marie, AT942395, LRRP reported in contact, called arty, request extraction. CO 4/311 on station in C&C acft. All quiet at this time. MTF. 0844H, LRRP eng'd est squad of VC, one of whom was armed w/an M-16. Neg Cas.
10	0915	198th, C/1/6, extraction of C/1/6: PZ 0850H BT248148, LZ 0915H BT227178. C/1/6 moved to OPCON 1/1 Cav. LZ secured by 1/1.
11	0919	11th, D/1/20, BS515664 at 0826H, obs and eng'd 2 VC w/wpns. Res: 1 VC KIA, checking area for wpns and other VC.
12	0925	S-2, 39th Engr, B Co, BS629830 at 0820H, discovered 2 mines, 1x81mm mortar rd, bamboo pressure type. 1x10lb TNT bamboo pressure type firing device. Both in same location and were blown in place.
13	0930	CSIC, 707 acft arrived Chu Lai: 165 pax from 4/21 Inf. 0930H, 11th notified of arrival.
14	0940	11th, Ba To, BS601405, elements from Ba To SF Camp eng'd w/unk number VC. Already have 1 WHA dusted off. Dustoff rec'd 2-3 hits. Request gunships from 11th. 11th has 2 gunships to send if approved by G-3. 0942H, passed to G-3 and approval given. 11th notified.
15	0914	196th, B/4/31, AT805305 at 0910H, unit in contact. They are pinned down by AW and SA fire. Request gunships from 1/1. 0920H, gunships for 196th extracting LRRP Marie (in contact), gunships departing at 0920H. 0922H, 1/1 can divert hvy team from A/1/1. Team dispatched. 0927H, 196th notified that hvy team is on the way.
16	0937	ROK Marines, CPT Coggershall, ROK's will set up a blocking force on the western side of the Cav Chiem River on 12 April to use against any VC that may be escaping from the operation the 196th is conducting in their AO extension on the eastern and southern side of the river. 196th notified.
17	1010	196th, MAJ Bearden, called to advise TOC that their gunships were down for armament maintenance and didn't know how long it would be before they were up. Stated there was no real problem at this time since F/8 Cav was on station. Would like for us to check Avn and determine what is not committed. 1015H, Checked Avn, 1 gun at Duc Pho not committed. 1020H, advised MAJ Bearden only 1 gun available, he stated that they were still attempting to get theirs up at this time.
18	1015	196th, A/3/21, BT121223 at 0810H, rear security element obs 2 MAM wearing blk PJ's evading SE at 250 meters. Eng'd w/SA. Pursuit into woodline, found a 5 yr old boy w/wound in leg from SA, dusted off, searched area and found 2 females, neg any other result.
19	1020	196th, B/4/31, AT805305 at 0910, pinned down w/SA and AW fire, heavy team from F/8 Cav on station. Res: 1 US KHA, 4 US WHA. MTF.
20	1045	11th, D/4/3, BS514714 at 1000H, found 150 homemade HG's. Will destroy.
21	1115	198th, AO, BT409065 at 0755H, aircraft rec'd SA fire, neg hits, Rcn/1/46 is checking area where they rec'd fire from.
22	1117	198th, 176th Avn gunships, BT231133 at 0930H, gunship got secondary explosion in area where 1/6 rec'd mortars last night.
23	1118	198th, A/5/46, BS527938 at 0945H, detained 2 VCS.
24	1128	11th, ref journal entry #14, gunships went on station, saw no VC on ground, fired suppressing fires on likely areas, also for Dustoff acft to go in. Returned to home station. Negative assessment.
25	1130	198th, MAJ Mangram, request hvy team to get on 1/6 command push and get instructions from 1/6 as to where to go to relieve gunships on station over a contact. Passed to 1/1, they will dispatch team as soon as it gets in from 196th AO, they are on their way from 196th AO now.
26	1130	11th, B/3/1, BS867347 at 1110H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA.
27	1130	198th, A/1/6, BT217133 (BT), 1115H, made contact w/estimated plat of VC. Res: 1 VC KIA, 1 wpn CIA, Russian bolt action, 7.62m SN F2222.

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28	1131	11th, B/3/1, BS916285 at 1115H, detained 7 VCS.
29	1147	196th, A/3/21, BT127234 at 1120H, eng'd 3 VC w/wpns, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 wpn CIA.
30	1145	ROK's, TOC, BT0348-BT0449, Phantom jet down. ROK's saw pilots eject and are moving to secure acft w/1 Co. Called 196th and informed them they will send chopper to try to locate jet. 1150H, notified by TACP that pilots were picked up by "Jolly Green Giant". 1215H, CPT Morris, 196th, called to say that the 196 Avn Officer had spotted the ejection seats & canopies at BT025502 and would pick them up. Wreckage spotted at BT043501. 1225H, notified TACP.
31	1203	11th, C/3/1, BS805467 at 1145H, 1 US WHA (E) by punji stake. Dustoff complete 1149H.
32	1210	196th, B/4/3, AT805305 at 0910H, ref journal entry #19, totals as of 1210H: 2 KHA, 8 WHA, 2 NVA KIA.
33	1210	196th, B/1/52, BT108391, 0900H, obs 1 MAM evading west at 100 meters. Eng'd & ran into hootch, checked our hootch. Detained 2 women and 2 children. Spider hole under hootch, burned hootch and found 1 VC burned and full of bullet holes. Res: 1 VC KIA.
34	1225	198th, Helix 21, BT223074 at 1055H, rec'd several rds of SA fire, no hits.
35	1235	11th, D/3/1, BS765534 at 0745H, ref journal entry #4, total as of 1235H: 20 VC KIA and 6 CIA.
36	1255	198th, 1/6, BT216138 at 1243H, F/8 obs 1 VN MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
37	1320	DTOC, at 1320H, CPT Johnson at Quang Ngai was contacted and requested to contact 2nd ARVN to extend time extension in Norfolk Victory until 201800H Apr. 1435H, CPT Johnson called and stated that 2nd ARVN had approved extension until 201800H Apr.
38	1323	11th, B/1/20, BS547652 at 1226H, found 2 fresh graves, appeared to be KIA by arty.
39	1323	1st CAG, CAP 133, BT656015 at 1000H, obs 3 VCS, detained them for questioning..
40	1325	1/1, B/1/1, BT203383 at 1310H, 2 trucks had accident, 1 truck from B/1/1, the other truck from 26th Engr. Cause of accident: ARVN truck hit B/1/1 truck causing it to hit 26th Engr truck, ARVN truck did not stop. Heavy damage to both trucks.
41	1358	198th, A/1/6, BT212129 at 1325H, obs 1 VC evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
42	1400	196th, A/3/21, BT127235 at 1120H, ref journal entry #29, should read 2 VC KIA, 3 IWC, type unk, SN's Q91782, 6443, and K-44 126235.
43	1400	11th, D/4/3, BS514712 (M), 1330H, found 1 VC KIA by mortar fire.
44	1426	196th, LRRP Irene, AT940290 at 1010H, LRRP Irene inserted at 1010H.
45	1429	1st CAG, CAP 136, BS573937 at 1345H, 13 year old VN boy told CAP 136 that 1 sqd of VC w/Claymore mines had an ambush site set up for US element at BS533947.
46	1435	11th, C/3/1, BS812455 at 1420H, detained 2 VCS, 1 was evading, the other sleeping in a bunker.
47	1315	G-3, 1/6 Inf, 1/6 Inf request Abn radio relay ASAP, come up on 1/6 cmd push. 1317H, passed to Avn for action. 1330H, notified G-3 that Avn was sending up a Slick for 1/6 aerial radio relay, should be airborne by 1355H. 1332H, notified 198th (LT Bibb) and requested they inform the 6 of 1/6 of above and then advise us of notification. 1355H, determined radio relay for 4/31 Inf not 1/6 Inf. 1405H, radio relay will be a 01 from Div Arty that is in the area.
48	1410	11th, D/4/3, BS514712 at 1300H, found the following items in a tunnel: 1xradio similar to a PRC 6, freq was set on 38.65, 3x60mm rds, 150xhomenade HG's, 10xM-79 rds, 62x9mm ammo, 438xrds 12.7 MG ammo, 40xrds carbine ammo, 50xcans containing maps and documents, will evac radio, documents, maps, and destroy the rest.
49	1435	11th, D/3/1, BS765534 at 0745H, ref journal entry #4, found 1 Panasonic transistor radio, AM/FM/Short Wave (set on wave band). Also found 1xVC gas mask, documents, and Thompson MG SN 538388, wpn found outside of tunnel. Add: 1 VC KIA. Totals: 20 VC KIA and 7 VC CIA.
50	1445	198th, D/1/46, BT290097 at 1420H, located tunnel w/door. Entrance was BT w/105 rd. Blew BT, did not enter inside. Tunnel destroyed.
51	1530	11th, S-2, request a sniffer mission for 12 Apr, AO BS7338, BS7034, BS7736, BS7432. Aircraft report to Duc Pho 120800H.
52	0645	196th, 4/31, request F Trp, 8th Cav provide hvy team to screen area AT8030, 8031, 8130, 8131, 7930, 9731, 8231. Time of mission: 110800 until complete. Report to 4/31 Inf, B Co on 44.45, B Co loc AT8132, enemy situation unk. 0700H, request passed to 1/1 Cav. 0705H, 1/1 Cav states they can't provide Recon mission: CA, 198th request.
53	1450	196th, LRRP Jeanie, AT925325 at 1425H, point man obs 1 NVA wearing khaki uniform and believed they were also observed. Request extraction: are being extracted.
54	1452	11th, D/4/3, BS515710 (Muscatine), 1442H, found IW type unk, bolt action rifle hidden in cave, SN D4484, in poor condition. Also found 1xAK-47 SN 9476762 and 1xSMG SN 129580.
55	1509	198th, B/1/46, BT296085 at 1430H, called Dustoff for 2 VN females wounded when B/1/46 eng'd a group of VC evading.
56	1509	S-2, 39th Engr, C Co, BS685658 at 1400H, officer set off BT HG at base of bridge. Rec'd serious frag wounds (M).

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57	1525	198th, B/5/46, BS654954 at 1448H, element set off mine. Type unk. 3 WHA €, Dustoff 1510H.
58	1537	196th, LRRP Jeanie, AT925325 at 1530H, extracted 1530H, hot PZ, Avn Crew Chief took rd in leg (E). To Ryder along w/LRRP team.
59	1550	11th, D/4/3, BS514714 at 1525H, found ammo: 50x60mm rds, 60x82mm rds, 100xB-40 rcts, 51x57mm RR, a lot of 57mm RR rds were destroyed by either arty or "Spooky" (C-47 w/guns), 105xNVA uniforms, evac: 82mm and destroyed the rest.
60	1555	CLDC, effective 1800H, condition Green.
61	1620	1/1, Hill 29, 1620H acknowledge Frag Order #2668, pertaining to confirmation of verbal orders.
62	1626	198th, B/1/6, BT202145 at 1615H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
63	1640	11th, C/4/3, at 1130H extracted from Norfolk Victory to vic BS5271. Complete 1130H.
64	1645	198th, B/1/6, BT206145 at 1635H, receiving SA fire. 2 WHA (E). Requested gunship.
65	1655	1/1, A/1/1, BT193154 at 1637H, 2 VC w/wpns evading. 2 VC KIA, 2xK-44 CIA, SN's 1514, 2558.
66	1656	1/1, F/8, BT195155, 1 VC w/wpn evading. 1 VC KIA.
67	1659	198th, B/5/46, at 1645H rec'd sniper fire. 1 US WHA (evac).
68	1705	39th Engr, B/39, BS622846 at 1630H, following ammo turned in by VN: 7x60mm rds, 8x40mm rds, 24xM26 HG, 2xlbs TNT, 1xChicom HG, 1xrifle grenade (M-1), All destroyed.
69	1710	11th, B/3/1, BS916285 at 1500H, detained 11 VC suspects.
70	1712	11th, HQ/1/20, at 1700H, PF OP obs est Bn of VC at BS585590.
71	1715	1/1, F/8, BT195162 at 1715H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
72	1920	11th, LRRP Helen, BS485679 at 1845H, LRRP Helen inserted at 1845H.
73	1745	198th, B26, 8-46, BS659951 at 1323H, a tunnel was found and searched. Found 1xAP mine near tunnel at BS659950.
74	1748	196th, C/4/31, AT895374 at 1730H, found 1000 lbs unpolished rice camouflaged in hedgerow in big jars. Will evac.
75	1750	196th, request time extension on AO extension in the 1/1 Cav area until 142400H. Passed to 1/1 Cav at 1640H, approved by them 1700H. G-3 approved 1710H (CG). 196th notified of approval (CPT Friedman).
76	1915	(delayed entry) 196th, request for permanent boundary change. 2 changes. 1. From BT076496 NE along Baren River to BT125505. Lot of mining and snipers in area. 2. From BT125505 move NE Song Baren River around peninsula, then S along Truong Giang River to Thang Bink Road vic BT215437, W along road to BT180420 and along 42 grid line to vic BT144420. To keep patrolling near Base camp. Passed to G-3. Disapproved by CG. 196th notified of disapproval at 1910H.
77	2000	11th, D/4/3, ref journal entry #54. SMG SN 129580 should read Czech Assault Rifle.
78	2004	DTOC, request submitted to 2nd ARVN through CPT Johnson to extend time on area in the Norfolk Victory AO south of the E-W 70 line until 201800 Apr. Approved by 2nd ARVN. G-3 presented to CG and CG approved. Above info passed to 11th Bde at 111850H Apr.
79	2004	11th, C/4/3, BS500740 at 1923H, eng'd unk size VC force. Res: 1 VC KIA. Searching area at this time. CIA 1xM-1 carbine & pack. SN to follow.
80	2045	11th, request to use Aero Scouts for snatch mission for Minh Long CLDC: area Song Ve Valley sometime on morning of 12 Apr, BS600517. Passed to G-3 for approval. Not favorably considered by G-3 (2045H) CPT Holbrook notified that area for snatch is too far south of area of interest and area of opns.
81	2130	196th, B/1/52, BT085385 at 2104H, rec'd 4 rds SA fire from unk direction. Bnkr's obs tracer rds. Neg casualty, damage.
82	2230	1st CAG, CAP 13, BS593949, 1 sqd of VC, Ldr Lu Ran, move every night between 2000-2200H from 593949 and 601937 to receive supplies from people of Thu Lac Village. 1 sqd stays in sugar cane field at 601938 and 601937 to obs until after they receive supplies. Then move Tan An to stay Minh Binh Nghia.
83	2230	1st CAG, CAP 13, BS356903, 637913, 554912, 1 VC Sapper Co located at (illegible). Ldr: Vu Juant Anh. Strength: 100 men. (illegible) MF Bn located at 404899, 472895, 480886. Strength: 350. Mission to combine forces and attack CAP 138 and 136.
84	2230	CAP 133, BS664981 at 2230H, PF's in village bunkers spotted VC near fence. Fired on VC, VC returned fire. PF's went back to 113 position. 4 Marines went on reaction. US Army personnel opened up with unk amount of ammo, illum. Checked area w/neg results.
85	2235	CAP 13, 662002-666008, Buc Son ldr of VC, approx 170 men, wpns including 1x60mm mortar, 1x82mm mortar, 2xMG, BAR's, and complete indiv wpns. Mission to attack 134 and burn village named Foa Tra.
86	2240	CAP 13, VC Sapper Co w/VC Bn designation 48 and 1 heavy wpns Co located at BS689913, 683905, 682895, 700900, 685920. Strength: 650 men. Many hvy wpns, complete indiv wpns. Uniforms: green and khaki. Force includes 300 laborers taken from Binh Nam, Binh Ky, Binh Phine, Binh Khong. Mission to attack CAP 13 and 135, mortar Dist HQ at Binh Son and is in effect tonight until 20 Apr.

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	111720	ROK, CPT Coggershall, CPT Coggershall was questioned by the ROK G-3 as to what the possibility would be of getting a Cav Trp from 1/1 Cav to work with two of their Bn's in Area 8 on an operation they are planning in the future. (Time dependent upon availability of ground Cav Trp). (Area between Song Ky Cam and Song Chiem Son). I told CPT Coggershall I would pass to G-3. He (CPT Coggershall) will check back tomorrow. Our Cav currently committed.
3	111700	Americal MID, the following info was rec'd from a CI Section informant who has furnished reliable info in the past. At approx 1700H, 9 April 68, 1 VC Main Force Bn, approx strength 300 men, unit coded as the 60/1st moved from Quang Ngai to a loc at coord BT382004, BT384997, and BT378988. They intend to mortar Chu Lai base and Ly Tin Dist HQ before 14 April 68. Commander: Tran Quang Anh, weapons: 3x82mm mortars, 3x60mm mortars, 4x57 RR, 2xMG, 35x40mm rocket launchers, and 1xradio. Uniforms: green w/rubber sandals, steel helmets, and camouflaged neck cloth. Ref spot report from this office 1630H 11 Apr 68, where above commander and VC Main Force moved from Ky Thanh (V), to Hamlet #8, Ky Tanh (V). Info was not rec'd from the same source.
4	112250	196th, 1/52, 1/52 requests time extension on their AO extension. 141200H. Present expiration Dtg 121800H. Passed to 2nd ROK's (CPT Coggershall) at 120810H. Rec'd word from 196th that they wish to terminate AO ext. Passed to CPT Coggershall.
5	112305	11th, CPT Holbrook, CPT Holbrook rec'd Frag Order 27-68.
6	0420	198th, BT381142 at 0415H, LZ Bowen rec'd 10 rds, NCD, arty called, 20 rds at 0421H, gunships requested 0420H, 75 rds reported, rds stopped (illegible text) to Hill 218.
7	0425	1/1, A/1/1, 1/6, BT195158 at 0340H, rec'd several mortar and RR rds and sniper fire. 6 WHA, 2 from 1/6, and 1 from 1/1 evac'd. 3 minor. Rec'd 5 rds 122mm rkt fire.
8	0700	196th, B/3/21, BT120625 at 0645H, obs 1 MAM 50 meters north of their loc. Evaded to the north. Eng'd w/SA. Res: 1 VC KIA, no ID, equip, or wpn. Had some documents which will be evac.
9	0725	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT197141 at 0700H, 2 MAM w/wpns eng'd. Res: 2 VC KIA, cannot recover wpns at this time.
10	0745	III MAF, LT Sinclair, rec'd authorization for use of Burlington Trail and Norfolk Victory for press releases. Passed to IO.
11	0800	198th, B/1/6, BT210147 at 0655H, receiving sniper fire, also their CC ship receiving SA fire. Res: 1 WHA, will be evac.
12	0815	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT198147 at 0740H, 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
13	0820	196th, 4/31, request radio relay on station from 0900H-1200H. To come up on Maverick's command push initially. Will re-transmit on "E" Co push. Relay being provided by the Div Arty, 01 already in the 196th AO. Avn coordinated w/MAJ Allison of the 196th.
14	0840	196th, TOC, BT003298 at 0836H, completed plat size CA for B/2/1 into a hot LZ. Fire rec'd was a few rds od SA from a village (BT003294). Res: neg damage or casualty. Plat moving toward village now.
15	0845	196th, LRRP Irene, AT940283 at 0720H, obs 2 VC, 1 w/green uniform and wpn, 1 wearing blk PJ's. Called arty, res unk.
16	0845	196th, LRRP Irene, AT940276 at 0645H, obs 4 MAM, called arty w/unk results.
17	2000	196th, 4/31, 4/31 Maverick, VR mission, hvy team to check out: AT8031, 8131, 8030, 8130, 8032, 8132. Command freq: 44.5, 0730-0930H. Friendlies: AT801305. Above VR request from 196th passed to 1/1 Cav, they will let us know if they can run at 0715 in AM. 1/1 Cav does not have Avn available to support mission. Passed to 196th Bde.
18	0915	196th, A/3/21, BT138223, 0810H, obs 5 VC evading, eng'd w/SA. Res: 4 VC KIA, 1xMAS-36 CIA, SN B4640.
19	0920	11th, C/3/1, BS777457 at 0905H, obs 2 VCS evading. Res: 1 VCS CIA. Will be taken to LZ Liz for interrogation.
20	0930	11th, HQ/1/20, BS615640 at 0925H, VN turned in 1xM-1 carbine SN 317819 under the VIP Program, wpn in good condition.
21	0943	196th, OP 2/1, BT015306, BT003294 at 0825H, gunship rec'd some fire, returned fire w/unk results. Neg hits to gunship.
22	0945	26th Engr, B/26 Engr, BS589942 at 0730H, found rifle grenade buried in road, had wire running from it to side of road. The wire was held down by a pile of rocks but it was not rigged in a manner to detonate the grenade. Grenade blown in place.
23	0945	196th, LRRP Irene, AT943285 at 0915H, obs 7 VC evade into a hut, called arty and hut destroyed. Request acft to check area.
24	0959	11th, C/26 Engr, BS818374 at 0935H, while checking perimeter, found ammo can. Opened can, had BT HG inside. Res: 3 WHA (evac, 1 minor).
25	1000	11th, D/1/20, BS524668 at 0935H, 3rd Plat element ambushed by estimated sqd size unit, using AW. 2 US WHA, WHA's have not been evac. MTF.
26	1010	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT214245 at 1000H, eng'd 2 VC w/wpns evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
27	1010	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT183154 at 1007H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
28	1035	11th, C/3/1, BS797470 at 1012H, rec'd SA and M-79 fire, had 1 US WHA, condition not known, has been dusted off, complete at 1025H, maneuvering against enemy at this time. 1100H, 1 VC KIA, 2 VCS detained.

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29	1040	198th, Rcn/1/46, BT421047 at 1030H, LT stepped on BT (unk type). Res: 1 US WHA (evac).
30	1045	11th, D/4/3, BS516708 at 0945H, found in a cave: 1xM-1 rifle SN 214308, 5xbangalore torpedoes, 300xlbs of wire, 15xhomemade HG's, 6x82mm rds, 200xrds 5.56mm ammo. Destroyed all except rifle.
31	1055	1st CAG, CAP 125, 1025H, 1 VN child, age 3 brought to position w/sores all over body. Action taken: gave first aid and evac, complete at 1045H, to 2nd Surg.
32	1102	1st CAG, CAP 124, BT634004 at 0930H, patrol on operation found 5 VCS, improper ID's, referred to Binh Son. Res: 1 VC CIA, confirmed (4 VCS and 1 VC CIA).
33	1110	198th, B/1/6, BT198146 at 1103H, element had contact w/1 VC sniper, res: 1 VC KIA.
34	1118	11th, D/1/20, BS525672 (NV), 1046H, eng'd 1 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA, still checking area.
35	1120	198th, D/1/14, BT258077 at 0930H, AO obs 4 VC around a bunker, called arty on them. Res: 4 VC KIA, 2 secondary explosions, 1 bunker destroyed.
36	1145	11th, D/1/20, BS524668 at 0935H, ref journal entry #25, add 1 US WHA (evac).
37	1144	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT175175 (BT), 1145H, eng'd 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
38	1153	11th, D/3/1, BS760493 at 1145H, detained 6 VCS, had no ID's.
39	1140	11th, D/1/20, BS527672 at 1125H, found base camp, inside found 1aFrench medical book dtd 1959, 2xpacks, some penicillin and a sick call roster. In same area they rec'd AW and SA fire and 12xHG's w/neg casualties.
40	1142	198th, B/5/46, BS653957 at 1140H, hit BT. 6 US WHA (5 evac, 1 minor). Dustoff not complete. BT was 105 illum canister filled with nuts and bolts, trip wire buried under ground so when many people passed over it, it would detonate. Total: 5 WHA (E), 3 (M).
41	1207	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT185144, 8 MAM evading, eng'd, res: 2 VC KIA.
42	1210	196th, D/2/1, BT050392 at 1125H, rec'd 30 rds SA sniper fire. Returned fire w/SA, will check area.
43	1210	196th, C/1/52, BT079470 at 1115H, rec'd 30 rds of SA sniper. Neg casualties. Returned fir w/SA and 81mm mortar, checked area and found 1 old man WHA, will evac.
44	1210	196th, LRRP Irene, AT946293 at 1155H, LRRP Irene moved from her loc, down a trail to a village. She was told not to move by 196th TOC. Now they have no radio contact with her.
45	1214	11TH, d/4/3, bs516708 AT 1130h, found in a tunnel, 1000 lbs of rice, will destroy. Also found 3xgas masks, 1 US, 1 VC, 1 Chicom, will evac all three, 7xrds 60mm mortar destroyed, 8 huts destroyed.
46	1220	Tam Ky, SP4 Courney, 3 Troops from 4th Cav Squadron are loc at BT200161. 1st Bn, 6th Regt loc at BT204160. (handwritten comment) Those are ARVN units.
47	1230	196th, A/3/21, ref journal entry #18, add 2 VC KIA, change MAS-36 to read K-44.
48	1245	198th, LT Bibb, ASAP, request assistance from F/8 Cav, reason: continuing sniper fire causing hindrance to unit. Instruction: to come up on Kansas command push vic Hill 218 for further instruction. 1245H, 1/1 notified, they are using F/8 in a contact. 1/1 will present request to G-3 when he lands at 1/1. 1310H, 198th cancelled their request.
49	1350	11th, A/4/3, BS555893 at 1215H, detained 2 VCS, no ID cards.
50	1316	198th, B/1/6, BT189141 (BT), 1314H, obs 1 VC evading, eng'd, rec: 1 VC KIA.
51	1323	196th, C/1/52, BT076480 (W/W), 1240H, obs 1 MAM evade from hut. Eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, no wpn, ID card, or docs.
52	1330	198th, C&C/1/6, BT186139 at 1315H, obs 1 AA position, will check out on ground.
53	1329	198th, D/1/14, BT195144 (BT), 1045H, AO called arty on VC location, res: 1 VC KIA.
54	1330	198th, B/1/6, BT202146 at 1220H, loc a large tunnel containing 7xNVA green uniforms, 5xRPG rds, 1xNVA canteen. Will evac clothing and ammo, will destroy tunnel.
55	1406	11th, C/3/1, BS789446 at 1320H, detained 1 VCS evading.
56	1406	11th, C/1/20, BS595608 at 1250H, detained 8 VCS evading.
57	1406	11th, C/3/1, BS796406 at 1320H, eng'd 8 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA, 7 VC CIA.
58	1420	198th, B/1/6, BT198146 at 1103H, ref journal entry #33, VC was KIA by arty.
59	1425	11th, D/3/1, BS785505 at 1400H, detained 1 VCS evading.
60	1425	11th, C/3/1, BS789446 at 1320H, 1 VC WIA/CIA, ref journal entry #55.
61	1310	196th, BTOC, LRRP Margie to be inserted vic AT918313 at 130900H. Mission: Establish OP's as required and conduct recon of trail leading SW to valley floor. LRRP Sue to be inserted vic AT938396 at 130900H. Mission: establish OP for 24 hrs, conduct area recon S-SW to valley floor. Request 2 Slicks pick up at LRRP Pad 1308000H. Meet guns at Baldy, insert 0900H.
62	1508	1th, D/1/20, BS522662 at 1452H, found 1 US SMG SN 648845.

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63	1510	11th, D/4/3, BS514718 at 1344H, found 1 NVA KIA by arty, was wearing NVA uniform.
64	1515	196th, F/17 Cav, BT008359 at 1010H, obs 8 VC on a hillside, they had on green uniforms and blk PJ's. 1 wpn was obs. F Trp moved into the area, gunships were called. At 1240H, F Trp eng'd 10 VC, res: 4 VC KIA, 6 VC CIA.
65	1528	11th, D/1/20, BS525672 at 1046H, ref journal entry #34, add 2 VC KIA, total of 3 VC KIA.
66	1548	196th, LRRP Irene, AT940292 at 1546H, LRRP Irene extracted at 1546H.
67	1548	11th, C/4/3, BS541745 at 1530H, eng'd 1 VC evading. Res: 1 VC WIA/CIA, identified by PF as a local guerrilla. Also CIA 2xM26 HG which he had.
68	1550	198th, B/1/6, BT191144 (BT), 1535H, rec'd sniper fire. Res: 1 US WHA (evac).
69	1537	11th, D/1/20, BS523663, 1508H, found 3xM-1 rifles, SN's 4349329, 3048043, and 160874, 1x60mm mortar complete SN 3327, 1xtripod for AA wpn, 1xRPG rd, 4x57mm RR rds, 3x82mm mortar rds, 2x60mm mortar rds, 1xtripod for MG, 1x sniper scope, small amount 7.62 ammo (AK-47), 1x57mm RR SN 04221.
70	1620	198th, B/1/6, BT191144 at 1535H, 1 US wounded by sniper fire, utility chopper was used to evac. It was hit by 1 rd, the rd hit oil line and chopper had to sit down on Hill 218. Ref journal entry #16, no additional WHA.
71	1638	CLDC, condition Green effective 121800H.
72	1610	198th, B/1/6, BT187131 at 1523H, gunships eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
73	1625	198th, A/5/46, BS523921 at 1530H, located ammo can full of clothing w/wire attached to M26 HG before opening can.
74	1640	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT169136 at 1355H, 1 gunship rec'd 2 hits, neg WHA, returned to Hill 29, not flyable, hits were taken in rotor blade.
75	1643	CSIC, 4/21, 1645H, acft arrived w/165 pax.
76	1655	1st CAG, CAP 124, BT437112 at 1130H, patrol picked up 1 VCS w/2 children, all 3 to be detained. Reason: 1 of the children, age 10, said to be VC.
77	1707	11th, C/3/1, BS772488 at 1630H, detained 1 VCS evading.
78	1708	11th, D/3/1, BS774509 (DP), 1535H, element hit a 155mm BT. 3 US KHA, 1 US WHA dusted off. 1 VC KIA (VC was a VCS detainee).
79	1730	39th Engr, B/39th, BS622846 at 1630H, VN turned in the following ammo: 4x60mm rds, 1x57mm RR rd, 17x40mm rds, 6xM26 HG's, 500xrds 5.6mm, 100xrds 50 cal. All destroyed.
80	1806	11th, A/1/20, BS585597 at 1800H, 1 US WHA from frag wounds by HG (evac).
81	1812	196th, A/2/1, AT997310 at 1812H, eng'd 3 VC evading, 20 meters E. Wounded and CIA all 3. All had packs.
82	1817	11th, A/1/20, BS582589 at 1452H, found 4,000 lbs of rice in 3 huts. Rice and huts destroyed. Rice destroyed because area where rice was found was too inaccessible for removal.
83	1820	11th, ref journal entry #69. Add 81 wpns, type unk at this time.
84	1835	11th, LRRP Helen, BS484684 at 1833H extracted.
85	1900	Avn, MAJ Rector, Div Avn had a call from CPT Madison from the Hoi An TOC that a gunship fired on a friendly OP on Hwy #1 vic BT128480. MAJ Rector called all Amcal Avn units and none had gunships in area. 1915H, called CPT Coggershall at ROK TOC Hoi An and asked him to try to contact CPT Madison and inform him of above.
86	1937	1/1, A/1/1, BT178144 at 1930H, rec'd 2x82mm in night position, and also a few rds of sniper fire. NCD at this time. MTF.
87	2000	196th, C/3/21, BT047300, at 1900H, rec'd 8 rds of sniper fire, from coord 043293. Neg casualties. Ret'd fire w/SA. Unk res.
88	2015	198th, Hill 68 (BT3113) at 2013H., 15 rds 82mm, some SA fire rec'd. 2 WHA. Attack continues, want gunships and flare for pad alert but do not want them scrambled at this time. 20 rds, total 5 WHA (evac). BT267088, unit in contact, 4 WHA, Dustoff complete 2050H. 2 WHA's from B/1/46, 2 WHA from arty (PZ316131).
89	2045	196th, request for Blue Ghost. 1st one. Type mission; VR. Time on station: 0900H. Contact Maverick on 818333. His command, 44.15 working w/Maverick, Bronco area to the UR 7932, 7933, 8033, 8132, 8133. 2nd request: Type mission: VR and screen. Duration: 1-2 hrs working w/Maverick on 44.15 on 873353 area to the VR: 9039, 9038, 9138, 9239. Request for 0730H. Passed on to 1/1 at 2045H.
90	2055	1/1, A/1/1, BT178144 at 2055H, rec'd 6x82mm rds at night position.
91	2056	(delayed entry) 198th, 110725H, AO ext request for 16-19 Apr (160600-192000) for 5/46. 11th area to be bordered on W by BS66, E by BA72, and S by BS90. They will CA plat size force at BS6891. Passed to 11th, 11th approved 110725H by SGT Cross.
92	2100	Americal MID, C-3, at 1700H the following info was rec'd from a CI Section informant. 2 members of the Ky Sanh PF Force reported that a VC main attack will be conducted against Chu Lai Base prior to 0500H 13 Apr. Source would not report his hearsay info under normal circumstances, but the following was also reported. Prior attacks on Chu Lai have produced this fact: the Cargo Checkers at NSAD do not report for work the nights Chu Lai Base is attacked. (continued)

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2	0430	1/1, A/1/1, BT184147 at 0355H, rec'd 6 rds of mixed mortar/RR. Neg casualties or damage. Also rec'd some SA fire. 1 WHA (minor)
3	0820	11th, D/1/20, BS517662 at 0810H, element rec'd sniper fire. Res: 1 WHA (E).
4	0845	1st CAG, CAP 112, BT315172 at 1830H, PF intel stated 150 VC loc BT315172 w/wpns: 1x80mm mortar and 2xMG. Called arty, fired 60mm and 50 cal. 1930H, 3/CAP 113 moved into check area w/neg results, left all night ambush w/neg results. VC fled west and made contact with 1/46 Inf. (VC ran into 1/46 units). 0845H, call 198th to confirm report: did receive sniper fire and mortar rd (spot reports sent in during night of 12 Apr) could possibly be unit engaged by PF's.
5	0845	196th, D/3/21, BT067277 (W/W), 1800H, obs 1 MAM evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
6	0845	196th, C/3/21, BT065298 (W/W), 0730H, obs 1 VC evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, had documents, will evac.
7	0905	39th Engr, B Co, BS623846, 0705H, 1xM16 AP mine turned in by VN. Destroyed.
8	0735	198th, TOC, BT191144, request gunships to support B/1/6 who has been receiving sniper fire since 0635H. Request the ships come up on 1/6 alt command push. 198th has sent their 2 gunships to 196th AO to support a CA. 0736H, called 1/1 for F/8 Cav. 0737H, notified by Avn that 2 guns are on the way from Duc Pho. 0740H, 1/1 called to say an F/8 ship has been shot down, they are using all available craft to cover it, but cannot send any ships. 0742H, notified 198th, they will use gunships which are on the way from Duc Pho.
9	0812	196th, B/3/21, BT132284, 1st lift, LZ 0808H, LZ cold, CA complete at 0841H, LZ cold.
10	0923	196th, A/2/1, AT9930 at 0908H, rec'd 3 unk type explosive rds and approx 100 rds of SA fire. Neg casualties. Will put air strike in the area if they can get it.
11	0930	1st CAG, CAP 113, BT325181 at 0800H, 1 VN boy has been sick for 11 days, Dustoff completed at 0820H.
12	1001	11th, A/1/20, BT537600 at 0940H, found 2200 lbs un-husked rice, going to be destroyed. Found 1xbangalore torpedo, destroyed. Will call back reason for destruction of rice. No means of evac.
13	0230	196th, requests F/8 Cav for VR for 2-1/2 hours beginning 0640H. Area: BT1020, 1030, 2020, 2030. Friendly position: BT1323, enemy probably to NE, contact Cedar Mountain A 61.2, Cedar Mountain B 57.7, 0430H, directed 1/1 to have F/8 Cav fly this mission weather permitting.
14	0300	196th, S-3, 196th is going to divert B/2/1 CA acft to R/3/21. Plan to CA B/3/21 into area of this morning's contact. 196th requests 7 additional Slicks to meet this requirement. Reporting time: no change. Report to B/3/21 loc BT005268. 0415H, MAJ Rector gave 4 Slicks to 196th per approval of LTC Balmer.
15	0720	196th, B/3/21, BT132234, additional report on attack of E/3/21. E/3/21 has 22 WHA (E), 5 not wounded, and 4 KHA. Additional report at 0725H: there were 26 personnel from Rcn Plat and Co HQ's. Of these personnel 11 were not wounded or did not require evacuation, 8 WHA (E), 7 KHA. There were 27 personnel from 1 plat of A/3/21: of these personnel 4 were KHA, 19 WHA, and w MHA. Additional report at 0730H: sequence of events as follows: 0012H, rec'd 3 rds of an explosive and began to pull in OP ambushes. 0023H: took heavy fire. 0035H: ground attack. 0040H: gunships from Chu Lai arrived on station. 0050H: gunships took AW fire from 4 locations. 0155H: CO of E/3/21 reports no fire for 30 minutes. 0500H: A Co of 3/21st linked up with E/3/21.
16	0830	196th, change to initial report: Plat from A/3/21 had 29 people. Casualties corrected as follows: 5 KHA, 21 WHA, 3 MHA, attack was from south to north. Mortar attack preceded ground attack. Enemy were suspected to be NVA. Were wearing green uniforms and had helmets. C Co will move to east then south into area of contact and sweep area. A Co will move back to Center sometime today to refit.
17	0020	(delayed entry) 196th, LT Anderson, BT132234 at 0010H, E/3/21 receiving SA fire from carbines and AK-47's, incoming HG's, guns and flare ships being scrambled. Firing coming from the south. 0012H-0033H: firebirds on station, 0035H: perimeter was pushed back, 0058H: firebirds took ground fire, 0058H: Spooky on station, 0131H: gunships up, 0143H: Spooky engaging, 0155H: no fire for 30 minutes, 0320H: weather bad, gunships have left area, Spooky left, Medevac cannot get in. A Co at BT128227.
18	0650	196th, further info on E/3/21, casualties so far: 15 WHA (E), 5 not wounded, 4 KHA, there were 2 plat size friendly forces and 1 group with 6 men.
19	0955	11th, C/4/3, BT461778 at 0955H, report hearing battle sounds: HG's and SA fire, NE of Ha Thanh. Request to know who. Negative info at this time.
20	1050	196th, TOC, request change to Sue's mission and location. Insert at BT085193, due to tactical change and situation. Request 2 acft to insert LRRP's at 1400H and 1500H. 196th will not have acft to insert.
21	0745	1/1 Cav, F/8 Cav, BT172253 at 0745H, have a helicopter down at BT1725 from ground fire. MTF. 0802H: ship down was a LOH due to transmission failure. Hvy damage but believed repairable, in process of extraction. Crew is OK. 0815H: 1/1 will have to cancel their VR for 196th while they secure the downed craft. They are able to partially run it, as they are circling the downed craft in the general vicinity of the desired VR. The ships are drawing ground fire from 600 meters to the north. 0837H: LOH that is down was hit by ground fire. MTF. 1040H: 1/1 C&C rec'd 1 hit while flying near downed chopper.

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22	0946	1/1, C/1/1, BT233235 at 0940H, element in contact w/unk size force. Neg casualties at this time. 0955: contact broken 0950H, neg casualties, minor damage to 1 track, hit in road-wheel by RPG. Checking area now. Results 1030H: 4 VC KIA, still in contact.
23	1033	196th, S-2, request permission to run sniffer mission, AO BT0629, BT1929, BT1917, BT0617. Acft report to LZ Baldy at 140900H.
24	1055	196th, C/3/21, BT075303 at 0945H, found a hut, inside found a false mud wall. VC evaded from hut and was eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA, did not find anything in hut.
25	1100	196th, C/4/31, AT895363 at 0900H, detained 1 MAM hiding in a hole, no ID, claims he has a wpn hidden and knows where there's a plat of VC. C/4/31 will check out wpn loc and VC location.
26	1100	11th, C/3/1, BS768439 (DP), 1045H, eng'd 4 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA, searching area for other 3 VC.
27	1120	11th, C/1/20, BS540662 (NV), 1050H, found 1 VC KIA by arty.
28	1200	196th, MAJ Logan, ref journal entry #15, now 6 bodies, green unif, NVA, assorted web gear, did not find pith helmets. HG's were homemade, equip points toward MF or NVA, no docs, AK-47 mag, 1 RPD mag, and M-1 carbine cartridge. Appears to be 72nd or 74th LF Bn's.
29	1115	1/1, C/1/1, at 0940H vic BT233235, ref journal entry #22, as of 1115H: total 6 VC KIA. CIA 1xRPG-7 (launcher), 1xAK-47, SN 9704.
30	1133	1/1, A/1/1, at 1112H vic BT172132, rec'd mortar fire. Res: 2 US WHA (E). As of 1115H, rec'd 20x82mm mortar rds, unk amt SA & AW fire. 3 US WHA from C/1/6 (2 evac, 1 minor).
31	1134	196th, BTOC, B/3/21, found fresh blood trails vic BT137237, requested Tracker Dog Team. 1220H, LT Bell of Tracked Dog Team called and said he had a team available. One of the two acft going to Baldy to pick up LRRP teams for insertion will go early, take the Dog Team to FSB Center, and then to go to Baldy. Notified that team was on the way (196th).
32	1143	11th, C/3/1, at 1130H vic BS776425, rec'd sniper fire. Res: 1 US KHA.
33	1151	196th, C/4/31, at 1145H vic AT903367, detainee led unit to 400 lbs of rice in a well, all destroyed.
34	1158	11th, C/4/3, at 1126H vic BS465760, rec'd sniper fire. Res: 1 US WHA (evac).
35	1213	198th, A/1/6, at 1155H vic BT195128, made contact with 20-30 VC with AW wpns. Airstrike going in at this time.
36	1214	198th, D/1/6, at 1000H vic BT237123, eng'd 5 VC, 3 of which had wpns. Arty firing on VC at this time.
37	1229	198th, S-2, 1120H, rec'd a 60xman CIDG force, making a total of 141 CIDG personnel. They will be distributed to A-B-Rcn of the 1/6th.
38	1245	11th, C/4/3, at 1228H vic BS465761, detained 2 VCS, 25 yrs old, 1 identified as leader of "Old Man Organization". Called IPW. CPT Looney states that "Old Man Organization" similar to "Youth Organization". Old men belong to it and aid VC/NVA in different ways, building bunkers, standing guard, burying dead, etc.
39	1300	39th Engr, B Co, 1130H vic BS662846, VN turned in the following ammo: 6xM16 mines, 2xChicom HG, 2x60mm mortar rds, 15x40mm M-79 rds, 8xM26 HG's, 1xpineapple US HG. All destroyed.
40	1304	196th, C/3/21, at 0840H vic BT075303, FAC obs several MAM, marked target, C/3/21 moved into area and found a tunnel. Obs movement in tunnel, eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA. Rec'd sniper fire, returned fire, checked area, detained 1 suspect.
41	1304	196th, C/1/52, at 1055H vic BT089497, found a BT 8" rd, 6x105mm rds, all destroyed.
42	1304	196th, D/1/52, at 1030H vic BT098512, rec'd 5 rds sniper fire, no action taken due to mission.
43	1304	11th, D/1/20, at 1255H vic BS517661, found 1 VC KIA in a shallow grave, wearing a dark green uniform, KIA by SA. Body not more than 2 days old.
44	1304	196th, E/1/52, at 1013H vic BT110492, rec'd 15 rds SA fire. Neg casualties, continued mission.
45	1305	196th, D/2/1, at 1055H vic BT020383, UD tripped a BY HG. Res: 1 US WHA (minor).
46	1315	196th, B/4/31, at 1150H vic AT803346, rec'd hvy sniper fire from 2 loc, returned fire. Neg casualties at this time, unit is in contact. 1300H, contact broken, checking area now.
47	1322	11th, B/3/1, at 1300H vic BS863337, US tripped BT HG. Res: 1 US WHA (evac).
48	1322	11th, D/1/20, at 1255H vic BS518660, rec'd fire from 6-7 AW. Res: 3 US WHA (evac). Dustoff not complete at this time.
49	1347	196th, FAC, 1300H vic AT782321, obs 4 large boats, will fire arty on area.
50	1345	1/1, B/1/1, BT229230 (BT), 1340H, ACAV hit a mine. Res: 1 KHA, 2 WHA (E), 2 WHA (M). Corrected casualty figures 1612H: 2 KHA, 2 WHA (E), 2 WHA (M).
51	1400	196th, BTOC, request for F/8 Cav VR mission, on station 140900H for 2 hours. Grid: 0036-0136, working with 2/1, B Co on cmd freq. 35.55, M-246. Passed to 1/1 at 1403H. Not a mission request. To be based solely on availability of acft.
52	1410	196th, A/3/21, BT128230 at 1315H, obs 4 VN evading 150 meters to west. Eng'd w/SA. Res: 1 VC KIA, 1xM-2 carbine, SN to follow, dressed in blk PJ's, negative equip, docs, or ID's. Wpn will be evac.

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53	1410	1/1, TOC, BT172132, results of contact od A/1/1, add: 1 WHA (E) from A/1/1. Ref journal entry #30.
54	1414	198th, MAJ Sanders, requested a D-4 bulldozer for 3 days time. It will be used to smooth off ground and make mounds around FDC and bunkers, vic Hill 218 (LZ Bowman). TD-6 12,220, blade weighs approx. 1500, passed on to Engineers to obtain dozer. Called 198th and told them to request acct to transport dozer. Will let them know when dozer will be available.
55	1507	196th, LRRP Margie, AT917314 at 1504H, LRRP Margie inserted at 1504H.
56	1515	196th, latest report on E/3/21 contact last night. 1plt of A/3/21: 6 KHA, 22 WHA. E/3/21: 7 KHA, 8 WHA. Of all wounded, 2 treated and returned to duty, 2 in Bn Aid Station, 2 in 8th Spt Med facility, 4 in 2nd Surg, 9 in 27th Surg, 8 in SA in DaNang.
57	1524	11th, D/1/20, BS522658 (NV), 1440H, rec'd sniper fire. Res: 1 US WHA (E), found 3 bunkers, will destroy.
58	1525	11th, A/1/20, BS598594 (NV), 1447H, eng'd 1 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA, 1 US .45 cal pistol CIA, SN 887656.
59	1530	198th, LRRP Sue, BT085193 at 1520H, LRRP Sue inserted at 1520H.
60	1445	198th, B/1/46, BT253085 at 1420H, obs 20 VC moving toward their loc w/wpns, have requested gunships. 1437H, gunships eng'd 20 VC, results at this time, 2 Chinese carbines CIA.
61	1538	11th, D/1/20, BS522664 at 1500H, found wpns cache: included 59 wpns, 1 is 82mm mortar complete w/sight and base plate. Breakdown of wpns to follow.
62	1552	2nd ARVN, LNO, request following area as NFZ due to ARVN opn in area. BS600720 to VS610720 to BS600703 to BS610700. Time: as of now until ARVN move out.
63	1410	196th, D/2/1, BT020383 at 1535H, hit a booby trap, 5 US WHA (evac), 1 of the WHA was the CO.
64	1610	11th, C/3/1, BS766422 at 1555H, eng'd 1 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA.
65	1620	CLDC, 1800H, condition Green effective 1800H, may go to condition White.
66	1623	11th, D/1/20, 0810H, ref journal entry #3, change to read 1 US KHA.
67	1633	11th, A/1/20, BS598599 at 1443H, found and destroyed 300 lbs of rice.
68	1610	11th, A/1/20, BS599595 at 1553H, found tailor shop w/sewing machine, 10 sets of clothing, will destroy. Found 1 typewriter, will evac.
69	1633	198th, A/1/6, at 1155H vic BT185122 (also ref journal entry #35), results of contact: 7 VC KIA. CIA: 11xType 53 LMG, 3xAK-47, 2xCarbines, 1xM-1 rifle, 4xRPG-2 RL, 21xrds RPG-2 ammo, 162xrds 60mm ammo, 8xcans rice, 25 lbs each, (total 200 lbs)
70	1635	1/1, B/1/1, at 1555H vic BT173240, eng'd 3 MAM evading, res: 2 VC KIA.
71	1635	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT171253 at 0815H, 1 MAM evading, 1 VC KIA.
72	1645	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT172255, ref journal entry #21. Chopper rec'd 1 rd in tail causing rotary blade to stop. 2 WHA (minor).
73	1658	11th, A/1/20, BS597592 at 1646H, found 900 lbs of unshucked rice, destroyed. Reason: dense area, not possible to evac.
74	1700	198th, A/1/6, BT185512, reports noises vic of wpns cache. Believe VC may be moving in. Request gunships. Gunships dispatched from LZ Baldy.
75	1725	1/1, A/1/1, BT176136 at 1715H, tank hit mine, damage light. 1 WHA (minor).
76	1725	39th Engr, B/39 Engr, BS622846 at 1630H, VN turned in the following ammo: 1x60mm rd, 10xM16 mines, 2x105mm rds, 8x40mm rds, 6xM-26 HG, 4 lbs of TNT. All ammo destroyed.
77	1755	11th, D/1/20, BS522664, ref journal entry #61. Wpns cache breakdown: 30xM-1 rifles, 6xBAR, 4xM-1 carbines, 1xM-79, 4xK-44 rifles, 1xChicom LMG, 5xThompson SMG, 3xK-50 SMG, 3xRussian SMG (burp guns), 1xUS .30 cal LMG, 1x82mm mortar complete.
78	1840	1/1, C/1/1, BT233235, ref journal entries #22 and #29. Add 5 US WHA (minor). Shrapnel wounds.
79	1850	Change journal entry #69 to read: Following ammo found at same location. This is a final count of ammo. A/1/6. Wpns: no change. 8x74mm RR rds, 2x120mm rds, 4xRPG-7 rds, 176x60mm rds, 21xRPG-2 propelled charges, 216x81mm fuzes, 34x82mm mortar fuzes, 600x 7.62 rds for Chicom MG, 13xAK-47 mags, 1xChicom HG, 74 lbs TNT, 40 lbs C-3.
80	0710	(delayed entry) 198th, req extension in RZ of 1/46th and Burlington Trail ext until 182400H. CG approved, FSE, 198th notified at 1923H.
81	1200	(delayed entry) 198th, req addition to AO extension in 11th Bde Muscatine area. From present AO ext at BS6691, W along EW grid line 91 to BS514910. Request ext from 160600 to 192000. Passed to 11th Bde (SGT Gallord). At 1115H, 11th approves but does not want to give any area W of Route 1. Warns that vic BS6891 there are many VC mines. CG approved, FSE notified 1923H. 198th notified.
82	1635	198th, B/1/6, BT193138 at 1531H, found the following items: 2xUS M25A1 HG, 75xlbs rice, 1xChicom HG, 258xrds SA ammo, 2xAK-47 mags, 3xBAR mags, 1x57mm RR rd canister, 1xcarbine mag, 1xUS poncho liner, 1xNVA canteen, NLF papers and docs. 1xM-1 mag, 1xVC pack, 3xbear traps, 2xunit patches. All equip will be evac.

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	0228	JCS, received Red Rocket One exercise msg at 0228H, acknowledged to III MAF (MAJ Mullin) at 0229H.
3	0234	COMUSMACV, rec'd Red Rocket One exercise msg dtg 131810Z at 0234H. Acknowledged to III MAF (MAJ Mullins) at 0235H.
4	2345	(delayed entry) 198th, B/1/46, BT259089 at 2340H, B Co rec'd hvy mortar attack. 198th scrambled gunships and flare ship to B Co. MTF at 132346H. C/S notified 132345H (GEN Young), 2348 GEN Koster notified. 2350H, G-3 notified. 132355, monitor radio, 11 WHA, one is Co. Commander. Dustoff on way. Mortar fire reducing. 2400H, Spooky requested. 140003H, III MAF notified. 0005H, rds stopped. 0010H, radio monitor WHA changed to 13. 0019H, CC B Co extracted. 0035H, CG given update. 0055H, WHA count now at 17, no breakdown of WHA (E) and WHA (M). Spooky in net and should be closing at any time. 0133H, Spooky leaving station.
5	0309	COMUSMACV, JCS, Rec'd Red Rocket One exercise msg dtg 131810Z from main comm center at 0308H. Main Comm Center TOR 0258H. Acknowledged to III MAF COC at 0309H to CPT Pattenahue.
6	0540	1st CAG, CAP 111, BT342190, BT358187, at 132130H, village chief, ambush sighted 11 VC wearing blk PJ's w/carbines, 1xAK-47 and 2xMG. VC were not moving into ambush site. Eng'd anyway w/neg results. VC moved S to mountains.
7	131830	1st CAG, CAP 113, BT325181, village chief says 100 VC are assembling at following coords: 325165, 327166, and 328164. Passed to 198th.
8	2140	2nd ROK, BT096583 at 2130H, element of 2nd ROK Bde sprung ambush. Res: 11 VC KIA, 2 IWC, info only.
9	0021	III MAF (COC), MAJ Finn, standby for Red Rocket test msg. Upon receipt call III MAF COC and acknowledge receipt of the MACV Red Rocket test msg. Msg will have Dtg of 131600Z Apr 68. Msg rec'd 1638Z, acknowledged to III MAF COC at 1639Z to MAJ Finn. MAJ Finn stated that implementing instructions would follow via teletype.
10	0630	196th, B-E/1/52, BT098397 at 0530H, while returning from ambush, found cave with 3 indiv in it. 1 ran and was shot, other 2 were released, were school age boys. They led to tunnel with 3 MAM in it. No wpns, ID cards. Will be evac. Res: 1 VC KIA, 3 VCS detained.
11	0845	196th, B/1/52, BT098397 at 0620H, obs 2 VC running out of village. Eng'd w/SA, checked area and found 2 WIA/CIA.
12	0942	MAG-13, informant, at hamlet eight of the Ky Sanh village, has been one company of VC, name is 2 Ve Luong, strength 80 VC, commander is Ptcen Thanh and Mr. Muoi Them. They have 4 auto rifles, 2 automatic rifles of communist China, and many carbines. They have two hospital men: 1 man name Le Tan Canec, 1 woman, name Ngo Thi Mai. Objective: to take info and reconstruct installation and to catch youth to follow them. At present they live at the foot of a mountain Dien Bong 1000 meters southeast of the hamlet eight of the Ky Sanh village. Battalion VC name 60/1 "108", commander's name is Bui Kim Bong. They have 200 workers. They have: 2x82mm, 3x60mm, 2x30mm, and many B-40. At present this battalion is staying at BS469986, 475989, and 469992, delivered to MAG-13 Civic Affairs Officer by a VN employee, who rec'd the report from another VN who knows a Viet Cong. The Viet Cong supposedly lives in Khe Sanh.
13	0830	CSIC, SSG Chaffrey, Chu Lai Airfield, 0700H, 165 pax arrived for 4/21st Inf on "707". 11th notified.
14	0900	COL Ross, VIP Pad (BS538100), 0720H, Chaplin hit by sniper rds at sunrise service at VIP Pad. Res: 1 US WHA (M).
15	0918	Div Avn, CPT Bowen, 11th, Bde postponing CA by B/1/20, originally slated for 0630H, until 1200H.
16	0922	11th, E/1 Cav, BS618567 at 0914H, ACAV hit mine. Res: 5 US WHA (evac), MTF.
17	0826	1/1, acknowledges receiving Frag Order 27-68.
18	0830	11th, S-5, 4/3, BS624855 at 132100H, VN turned in the following ammo to S-5 4/3: 25xM-79 rds, 500xcarbine rds, 5x81mm rds, 7x60mm rds, 6x60mm HE, 860xlinked .30cal ammo, 3x3.5 rcts, 6xM26 HG, 5112x.30 cal ammo, 2xM-72 LAW's.
19	0851	11th, A/1/20, BS598596 at 0845H, found 3000 lbs of unpolished rice. Destroyed because it was high in the hills and would have had to carry it a long distance, diverting them from this mission, to evac it.
20	0945	196th, A/2/1, AT978304 at 0910H, obs 1 VC 200 meters to the north. Eng'd, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA.
21	1003	198th, A/1/6, BT190125 at 0950H, in light contact. Neg casualties at this time.
22	1049	11th, C/4/3, BS458742 at 1000H, rec'd 8 rds sniper fire. Res: 1 WHA (minor).
23	1049	11th, D/4/3, BS481716 at 1000H, eng'd 1 VC evading. 1 VC WIA/CIA, he had 1 field pack, 2 red tabs with 2 red stars on them.
24	1055	39th Engr, C/39 Engr, BS717595 at 0945H, rec'd SA sniper fire from BS727597. Returned AW and SA w/neg results. Continued mine sweep.
25	1015	11th, E/1 Cav, BS618567 at 0914H, ref journal entry #16, 1 US dead on arrival at hospital, change report to read 1 KHA, 4 WHA, track hit pressure type mine believed to be 100 lb charge. Blew with such force that blast came through bottom of track through top of track.

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26	1115	196th, F Trp and D/1/52, BT088492 at 1050H, track hit mine, size unk. 7 WHA (E), 3 from D/1/52 and 4 from F Trp, all were dusted off.
27	1110	1/1, B/1/1, BT223227 at 1050H, 1 Chieu Hoi turned in, told unit he will lead to wpns and VC.
28	1120	198th, A/1/6, BT185122, found 1 VC in a tunnel, will evac.
29	1123	1/1, C/1/6, BT172139 at 1000H, C/1/6 in light contact, receiving sporadic AW and SA fire. Gunships on station.
30	1118	1/1, B/1/1, BT215225 at 1110H, obs 4 MAM evading, eng'd, res: 4 VC KIA.
31	1145	11th, B/1/20, BS525623, CA B/1/20, 1st lift 1140H, LZ cold, 2nd lift 1154H, LZ cold, 3rd lift 1207H, LZ cold, BS525623. CA complete.
32	1230	196th, CPT Spohn, AT7932, request F/8 Cav for screen for B/4/31 on B push for 1 hour. Had an airstrike and arty in yesterday. Going in to check area. Want F/8 Cav to screen along river. Request mission ASAP. 1231H, passed to 1/1, to run it they will have to divert a hvy team from Burlington Trail area. 1315H, disapproved by CG. 1/1 and 196th notified.
33	1030	CSIC, the last planeload of passengers for 4/21st Inf arrived at 1030H with 45 pax's. This was the 6th passenger flight bringing 4/21. MAJ Campbell, DOT (illegible text). USARV notified of 4/21st closure at 1345H.
34	1233	11th, A/3/1, BS688540 at 1202H, rec'd sniper fire. 1 US WHA (E).
35	1320	196th, F/17 Cav and D/1/52 Inf, BT088492 at 1050H, ref journal entry #26, change report to read total of 6 WHA from following units: 1 D/1/52 minor, 5 F/17 Cav, evac.
36	1337	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT231219 at 1335H, eng'd 2 VC evading, res: 2 VC KIA.
37	0945	ADE, info on dozer request from 198th. (1) Dozer requested for 1/6th Inf to work at FSB Bowman. To enlarge landing area and clear fields of fire. (2) Dozer available from 71st CB's at Chu Lai. Will be moved to Tam Ky, by land transportation then moved by Chinook to Bowman. (3) Engr's making recon and est of work this AM. 1315H, mission not approved by CG, 198th notified. ADE notified.
38	1124	198th, A/1/6, BT185122 at 1115H, A/1/6th found vic 185122 the following: 2x60mm tubes w/sights, 1x82mm tube w/base plate, several cases of 50 cal rds and several RPG-2 rds, 1xChicom assault rifle SN 2223099, 60mm mortar SN 32101120764385122223604152, 82mm mortar SN 51820843631878, 100xboxes .50 cal ammo, 40x82mm mortar rds, 48x60mm mortar rds, 36xRPG-2 rds, 300xChicom HG's, 15xboxes 7.62 (400xrds each) total of 6,000, 11xrifle grenades, 2x57mm RR rds, 16xFrench rifle grenades.
39	1150	11th, TOC, BS565625, chopper down, MTF. 1200H, down as a precautionary measure due to suspected mechanical trouble. Acft from 174th Avn Co.
40	1440	11th, C/1/20, BS524653 at 1215H, found 2 base camp areas, about 100 meters apart, size large enough for two companies. Contained classrooms, mess halls, 6 large huts, bunkers, and etc. Documents found indicate a training area for a unit identified as H10, size unk, will evac documents and destroy base camps.
41	1407	11th, B/4/3, BS606834 at 1345H, eng'd 4 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
42	1430	11th, A/3/1, 1202H, ref journal entry #34, change to read 1 US KHA.
43	1450	11th, AO 3/18 Arty, BS518752 at 1410H, obs 10 VC w/wpns, called arty. Res: 2 VC KIA.
44	1453	11th, A/1/20, BS612566 at 1400H, detained 4 VCS, had no ID cards.
45	1513	198th, A/1/6, BT185122, found 5 additional bodies vic of contact 13 Apr 68. Res: 5 VC KIA, found bodies 141330H.
46	1515	11th, requests continuation of AO ext (Muscatine Extension). Request ext until 201800H. Passed to 2nd ARVN (CPT Johnson), approved by CG. Notified CPT Henderson of 11th Bde.
47	1508	196th, request AO ext to east of Hwy 1 be extended until 202400H. Further request that AO ext to north (ROK AO) terminate at planned time (141200H). Passed to 1/1 Cav, approved by CG & 1/1 Cav. Notified 196th.
48	1625	196th, F/17 Cav and D/1/52, BT088492 at 1050H, ref journal entry #26, change totals of track incident as follows: 2 WHA (M) from D/1/52, 5 WHA (E) from F/17 Cav.
49	1625	11th, B/1/20, BS523659 at 1510H, found 26 new graves, so far have uncovered 9 graves. Had a body in each, ages 16-35 yrs, 1-5 days old. KIA by fragmentation and SA.
50	1625	1/1, A/1/1 and C/1/6, BT134126 at 1620H, element linked up w/ARVN force coming east at above coord and time.
51	1630	11th, DTOC, request AO ext for period 150700H-231800H. BS6741-BS6841 (grid square). Approved by CG, notified 11th Bde.
52	1645	196th, TOC, request VR mission 150800 for 2 hrs, AT7934, AT7933, AT8033, AT8034, AT8035, will be working with 4/31, come up on freq M.822, friendly loc AT7933. Request for F/8 Cav. 1650H, passed to 1/1, last priority mission. 196th notified.
53	1645	198th, A/1/6, 1115H, ref journal entry #38, change 1 assault rifle to read 1 RPD IWC CIA.
54	1700	196th, A/4/31, AT893356 at 1550H, obs 2 VC carrying rice, eng'd, res: 2 VC WIA/CIA.

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	0650	Combat Center, SGT Thompson, demolitions today from 0930H to 1130H, and from 1500H to 1730H.
3	0803	198th, road sweep team, 0745H, vic BT419121, found a 105mm canister rd, will blow in place.
4	0808	G-5, 121500H, picked up 3 refugees vic BT277082 and moved to Tam Ky by the 198th. 131230H picked up 63 refugees vic BT288088 and moved to Tam Ky by the 198th.
5	0835	11th, C&C acft, 3/1, at 0735H vic BS769464, unit rec'd AW fire, sent C&C acft to check area, detained 1 VCS in area.
6	0840	1/1, F/8 Cav, at 0700H vic BT189170, UH1C rec'd 3 hits, not flyable, acft is located at 1/1 base camp.
7	0840	1/1, F/8 Cav, at 0730H vic BT191167, UH1C rec'd 2 hits, not flyable, acft is located at 1/1 base camp.
8	0912	196th, A/4/31, at 0900H vic AT905360, found 1000 lbs unpolished rice, will evac.
9	0930	Called Movement Warning Order on secure voice pertaining to movement of 196th to PCV and subsequent moves within Americal AO to 196, 198, 11, and 1/1. Order was as follows: 198th: (1) Be prepared to move A/1/52 to Baldy on 16th. (2) Be prepared to move 1 Co 1/6 to Ryder on 16th. (3) Be prepared to form TF for Chu Lai defense of 2 Bn's on 16th. (4) Plan to leave trains at present location. (5) Be prepared to move 1/6 (-) to Ross on 18th. 196th: (1) Be prepared to initiate move of 4/31 Inf north on 16th. (2) Be prepared to move 3/21 from Center north on 17th. (3) Be prepared to move 2/1 from Ross north on 18th. (4) Plan initially to move as light as possible, i.e., support. 11th: (1) Be prepared to move 1/20 to Center on 17th. (2) Be prepared to continue present mission in Duc Pho AO-Muscantine AO w/3 Bn's. 1/1: (1) Be prepared to OPCON 1 Trp to 198th on order. (2) Be prepared to operate in Wheeler/Wallowa. It is emphasized that no units will move until order is given by CG. The above warning order was given for planning guidance only.
10	0941	11th, C/4/3, at 0916H vic BS457752, found 3300 lbs unpolished rice in a tunnel, 100 lbs sliced potatoes. Will evac.
11	0950	196th, request to know if their arty Bn move with the Inf Bn. MAJ Saint told them the arty Bn would move with Inf Bn. Also told them that GEN Koster would give order when to move.
12	0955	198th, A/1/6, at 0942H vic BT187118, eng'd 2 VC w/wpns. Res: 2 VC KIA, 1xAK-47 CIA.
13	0958	196th, A/4/31, at 0945H vic AT905360, found 400 lbs rice in sand bags, 27xshotgun shells, 200xM-60 rds, 2xcarbine clips loaded, 4xM-16 mags (loaded), 1xbandoleer M-16 ammo loaded, 2xM26 HG's, 53xChicom HG's, some tobacco and soap. All equip and ammo found in a tunnel 2' x 4' x 15'. Rice will be evac, the rest will be destroyed.
14	1010	11th, D/1/20, at 0900H vic BS526665, found 14xbangalore torpedoes, 13xRPG-2 rds, 1xM-2 carbine SN 688753. Will evac wpn, destroy ammo.
15	1012	11th, D/1/20, at 0915H vic BS523659, found 18 fresh graves with a body in each. Res: 18 VC KIA. Graves were 1-5 days old, killed by SA and fragments.
16	1039	11, Aero Scouts with 4/3, at 1027H vic BS472784, eng'd 2 VC wearing packs. Res: 2 VC KIA, ground troops will check area for packs.
17	1045	196th, 4/31, at 1020H vic ZC218331, fighter bombers putting in airstrikes report receiving SA fire from village. Returned fire with napalm, bombs, and 20mm cannon. SA fire ceased.
18	1113	196th, B/2/1, at 1045H vic BT013335, detained 4 VCS (3 males, 1 female). No ID cards.
19	1115	11th, S-2, request permission to run "Sniffer Mission" in area of BS6751, BS7151, BS6942, BS7245. Request acft be at Duc Pho 160800H.
20	1130	11th, D/1/20, at 1100H vic BS523661, found following equip in tunnel: 10xPRC-10 radios (8 intact, 2 destroyed), 8 intact set on following freqs: 44.6, 33.1, 52.5, 44.6, 48.4, 3 each on 42.9. Also found 1000 lbs unpolished rice, 6xB-40 rocket rds, assorted female clothing, bag of medical supplies, a case containing map, overlays & diagrams, also a quantity of ammunition. Will destroy rice, evac radios and med supplies. MTF on amount of ammo.
21	1130	11th, D/1/20, at 1100H vic BS521669, found 1xThompson SMG SN 315172, also some ammo. MTF on amt of ammo.
22	1148	1/1, C Trp, 1140H vic BT226221, Chieu Hoi led unit to wpns cache. 1xRussian burp gun (1189), 1xBAR (6536470), 6xB-40 rocket rds, 10xM-79 rds, 1000x.30 cal rds, 200xAK-47 rds, 11xBAR mags, 1xAK-47 mag.

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23	1145	196th, BTOC, request F/8 Cav hvy team to screen for B&D Co's, 4/31, vic AT7932, come up on 4/31 cmd freq, ASAP. 1/1 could not provide hvy team but may have a light team. 196th said they would take a light team and augment with 1 gunship. 1/1 did not have a team that was not committed. G-3 said not to send F/8 Cav, inform 196th to use their own guns for mission if they needed more guns, we would send them when requested. CPT Morris, 196th notified, 1/1 notified.
24	1145	196th, XO, called over secure voice to ask if he should start moving his forces (primarily 4/31) back towards FSB's to be in position to be picked up by Hook. MAJ Krebs passed on from MAJ Saint that instructions from CG were that no movement was to take place. Passed to 196th to continue operations and that further instructions would be given as received from CG. 196th XO said that CG and COL Gelling had discussed the movement this morning and that as a result of this discussion the 196th has started dismantling FSB Sooner.
25	1305	198th, B/1/6, at 1255H vic BT177112, found 25x105mm rds, did not have any powder in them. Also found numerous spider holes along trail. Believed to be supply route.
26	1256	198th, A/1/6, at 1244H vic BT186105, eng'd 1 VC evading. While searching area, found blood trails and 1xRPG-2. Res: 1 CSWC.
27	1317	198th, B/1/46, at 1310H vic BT323073, had 3 US WHA (evac), fell in Punji pit.
28	1318	11th, B/1/20, at 1156H vic BS507604, found POW compound on 14 Apr at 1847H. It had been abandoned 6-12 hrs, chickens and fresh fruit were still present. Had a barbed wire fence 50M in diameter around camp. In the compound were 5 well-constructed huts with barbed wire around them. There were 3 other huts outside the compound, one of which was either a classroom or an indoctrination room. It had written on the walls "Liberation Front". Also found 1-1/2 tons rice, compound and rice destroyed.
29	1345	196th, C/1/52, at 1300H vic BT094449, found in ceiling of a hut: 400 Dong, 1xpr US fatigues. In a small bunker by the hut found 1xVN ID card. Under a haystack found some documents, 1xpr black PJ's, 1xM-79 rd, 1xVN poncho, 15xsand bags, 1xUS canteen w/cover, 4x90mm rds, 1xNVA pistol belt, 1xM26 HG, 1xflashlight. HG's destroyed, the rest will be evac.
30	1437	196th, C/1/52, at 1345H vic BT105453, found in a hedgerow: 1xnylon OD bag with the following items: 1xChinese stethoscope (new), 1xmedical handbook, VN, 1xwatch w/correct time (Russian), 1xUS M26 HG, 1xpr glasses, 1xwallet with pictures and papers, will evac all.
31	1445	198th, MAJ Sanders, called to ask if B/26 Engr's would be going to Wheeler/Wallowa AO as the 196th is taking their Engr's with them north. Passed on to the G-3 plans and ADE. Said for 198th to take them to Wheeler/Wallowa and leave what they felt necessary back in Chu Lai TAOR.
32	1430	11th, B/3/1, at 1420H vic BS772433, eng'd 1xVC, 1xVC KIA.
33	1438	196th, D/3/21, at 1411H, BT005226, found under leaves: 7xnew black shirts, 4xbottles of medicine, unk type, 1xmosquito bar (not US), homemade map w/overlay. Will evac all.
34	1455	11th, B/3/1, at 1425H vic BS776424, eng'd 1 VC in spider hole, res: 1 VC KIA.
35	1545	198th, BTOC, request that G-3 consider moving at least 1 plat of Cav of 198th w/198 to Wheeler/Wallowa. Would like to take more than 1 plat.
36	1355	1/1, MAJ Medberry, bridge, BT119137, bridge they are using that is S of Tien Phuoc Airfield seems to be giving away. They have all their vehicles across but are concerned about getting them back across. The Engineers with them are checking the bridge now. 1400H: ADE says he has a bridge (45' span) that he can fly to the site if necessary by hook. The bridge is 40' at the site. 1600H: 1/1 says if necessary they can get back across bridge. Do not require a new bridge.
37	1555	198th, B/1/6, at 1330H vic BT163097, found in open between 200 and 300 105mm arty rds, Lot #2727. Looks like old fire base of some unit. All fuzes missing and no powder, just projectiles.
38	1606	11th, D/4/3, at 1545H, BS509760, detained 1xVCS, no ID card and hiding in a hut. He was the only one in the village.
39	1607	196th, A/4/31, at 1535H vic AT906357, found 1xVC in a tunnel, he wouldn't come out, used 2xCS/HG, still wouldn't come out, used 1xM26 HG, res: 1xVC KIA.
40	1619	196th, B/4/31, at 1603H vic AT800345, found 2 rice caches in 2 graves, 300 lbs per grave, total of 600 lbs destroyed.
41	1620	CLDC, alert condition White effective 1800H.
42	1640	11th, D/1/20, vic BS522669, found the following: 42x60mm rds, 8xRPG-2 rds, 20x57mm rds, 14xChicom HG's, 416x5.56 rds, 15x30 cal rds, 2000x9mm rds, 25x7.62 rds, 8xwell camouflaged huts, will destroy all.
43	1645	11th, C/4/3, at 1631H vic BS476775, detained 1xVCS hiding in a hut.
44	1657	11th, D/1/20, at 1226H vic BS523661, ref journal entry #20: read out on maps captured. Maps had unit markings on it, H-10, B-21, and 130 man unit. Diagram showed plans for attack on fortified positions and locations of helicopter pads. Also found 1xflag with hammer and sickle.
45	1720	198th, A/1/6, at 1718H vic BT158105, rec'd either 1xM-79 rd or mortar rd. 1726H: unk number of 60mm rds. 1734H: B/1/6, obs mortar fire from vic BT172103, both firing into A Co positions. Contact broken at 1820H. Received approx 20 rds of 60mm, neg casualties. Air strike on location.

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46	1730	11th, TOC, following equip required for dry span bridge: 5x 10" x 20" x 40' beams, or 12x I-beams (3-2 type, 40' long, w/rounders). 40x 3" x 12" x 14' boards. 40x 2" x 12" x 14' boards. 18x 3" x 12" x 12' boards. 1x carpenter box from company. 1x box 60 penny nails.
47	1738	Tam Ky, night locations: 1/6 Bn CP: BT188157 1 Co: BT185155, 1 Co: BT190154, 1 Co: BT190152, 1 Co: BT189159, 1 Co: BT192157. 2/6 Bn CP & 1 Co: BT219169 1 Co: BT215170, 1 Co: BT205165, 1 Co: BT225165.
48	1755	198th, E/1/6, at 1747H vic BT233122, had 1 US WHA (evac) from sniper fire. Dustoff complete 1800H.
49	1820	11th, D/1/20, at 1100H vic BS523661, ref journal entry #20: SN's for PRC-10's: 5878, 348, 1892, 8642, 1985, 1469, 3976, 313. In same area found 3x sound powered phones, model HT-1A, SN's 6198, 10771A, B14713.
50	1823	1st CAG, CAP 138, at 0930H vic BS582918, patrol detained 2 VCS.
51	1827	11th, S-5, 1/20, at 1815H vic BS560556, had VN turn in the following items: 1xbangalore torpedo. 5xB-40 rockets, 2xChicom HG's, 1xrifle grenade launcher, 80xAK-47 rds, 50x9mm rds, 8x.30 cal rds, 2xAK-47 mags.
52	1829	1st CAG, CAP 132, BS612017 at 1635H, previous patrol reported caves & tunnels. Blew up what appeared to be 2 spider holes, came upon a 3rd and found 1 metal case containing 300xChicom 7.62 rds, at BS595967.
53	1833	196th, D/3/21, BT014215 at 1730H, eng'd 1 MAM & 1 female evading. Res: 1 VC or NVA KIA, 1 detained. He was wearing green fatigues, Chicom pistol belt and pack. Inside pack were parts for Chicom radio, 1 Chicom HG, maps, documents, and a chain of command. They are interrogating the detainee at this time.
54	1918	196th, C/1/52, BT108458 at 1805H, found 1 BT kit behind bush. Also 1 VC hat, 2 sandals, 1 carbine mag, 1 med kit, 1 bundle of documents, shrapnel, 1 pair goggles, 1x120mm rd, 3 black shirts, 1 pr pants, 3x50 cal rds. Will evac.
55	1920	198th, A/1/6, 1648, 1652, 0986, 0978, at 1745H, 5 secondary explosions resulted from air strike. 1 of the explosions was 200 ft in the air. Arty was also used on above grids.
56	1920	1/1, TOC, acknowledge receipt of OP plan 1-68.
57	1945	39th Engr, B/39, BS672846 at 1720H, VN civs turned in the following: 17xM16 mines, 3x60mm rds, 12x40mm rds, 6 lbs TNT, 2x105mm rds, 10xM26 HG's, and 1xClaymore mine. Destroyed all equipment.
58	1945	C/1/1, 1 VC Co P-31, loc BS523905, BS526903, and BS530904. Est strength over 100. Mission to combine Binh Thanh and Binh Tuy village guerrillas, mortar CAP's 136-138, and also refugee camp between 15 Apr and 17 Apr. C-3.
59	1955	198th, D/5/46, BT3113 at 1952H, Hill 68 reports receiving mortar & SA fire. Gunships scrambled at 1955H. MTF. 2005H, still receiving SA. Mortar has stopped. Gunships working now. NCD at this time. 2007, SAF has ceased.
60	2000	196th, D & B/4/31, AT796338 at 1835H, rec'd SA fire from N and NE, from 4-5 different positions. Res: 1 US KHA from D Co. Fire returned, arty called, gunships on station at 1840H. Contact broken at 1910H. At 1930H rec'd more SA fire. Res: 1 US WHA (evac).
61	2000	196th, Nui Loc Son, 085196 at 1835H, reports plat of VC w/carbines and M-79's, black & white PJ's, raiding village. Arty called, VC beat it. Res: 2 PF WHA (evac). Chopper rec'd .50 cal fire from vic 093294, neg hits. Follow-up: (C) There was 1 plat of VC (34 men) were armed with 2xM-79's, 8xAR-15's, 1xBAR, 3xM-1's, 1xM-2 carbine. VC plat will be staying at the following grid: 988280. TOT will be fired at 2308H. Approx 60 rds. Firing on following grids: 988280, 990286, 984284.
62	2153	198th, A/1/6, BT173113 at 2150H, receiving hvy mortars, gunships being scrambled at 2155H. 8 rds 60mm still coming. Ceased. Had 5 secondary explosions from pre-planned arty mission. Neg casualties. Coord on secondary explosion, BT167111. 2240H, gunships still receiving SA fire.
63	2200	196th, B/4/31, Blue Ghost request, time on station, 0930H. Duration unk. Mission: screening. Area: BT7933, 7934, 7935, 8034, 8035. Contact Maverick Bravo on 44.15. Friendly positions: BT794340. Enemy's unk. Passed request to 1/1 Cav at 2203H. At 2205H, 1/1 Cav stated they would run mission at 2211H. Above info passed to CPT Friedman, 196th.
64	2400	TOC, at 2115H, verbal instructions were passed to Bde S-3, 196th, 198th, and 11th and the S-3 of 1/1 Cav by the G-3 concerning Opn Hydra. All Bdes & Sqdrns acknowledged verbal instructions 2155H. Written instructions will follow in Frag Order 29-68.
65	2400	Opn Summary: Americal Div cont'd combat opns in zone w/light contact reported. In Opn Norfolk Victory, at 0915H, D/1/20 found 18 VC KIA by SA & arty fragments vic BS526655, and at 1100H vic BS523661 found 10 PRD-10 radios. In Opn Burlington Trail, at 1718H, A/1/6 vic BT158105 rec'd 20 rds of 60mm mortar fire w/neg casualties. At 1952H, Hill 68 (D/5/46) vic BT316131, rec'd 20 rds of mortar fire w/neg casualties. In the Duc Pho AO, C/4/21 closed LZ Thunder (BS872324) at 1130H. Americal div Totals: 2 KHA, 4 WHA (evac), 30 VC KIA, 5 IWC, 1 CSWC.
66	2400	Journal Closed.

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	0001	(delayed entry) 152225H, rec'd Red Rocket exercise test msg dtg 151410H and notified III MAF (MAJ Finn) of receipt.
3	0005	(delayed entry) III MAF, 2nd CAG at 152250H: Based on recently reported enemy movement between CAP units 241 and 243, coord BT181588 and BT177585, there may be significant activities in these areas tonight. Enemy movement has been reported 500-600 meters from these units. Chung Yang has been notified. 2305H, passed to 196th TOC.
4	0010	(delayed entry) CLDC, TOC, at 152315H, bunker 346 CLDC. Guard stepped out to relieve himself, was attacked by large dog. Guard shot and killed dog.
5	0015	(delayed entry) At 152245H, rec'd notice from Commo Center that Red Rocket test msg rec'd at 1445H. At 2246H notified MAJ Finn, III MAF of receipt. G-3 notified.
6	0300	CLDC, TOC, BT528117, Subsector I bunker #151 obs large rubber raft bobbing in the water. Raft was secured and will be turned over to the Commander of Subsector I this a.m.
7	0925	198th, B/5/46, BT663031, 152350, 2 VC walked into an ambush, res: 1 VCS WIA/CIA.
8	0903	198th, Rcn/5/46, BT443010 at 0903H, found a camouflaged hut with 60 rds SA, 1 set black PJ's, and several pots and pans. Destroyed.
9	0947	198th, A/1/6, BT173114 at 0930H, obs 15-20 VC, called arty. MTF.
10	152305	(delayed entry) 196th, TOC, requested additional Slick to take Liaison group to Camp Evans tomorrow. Request A/C to arrive LZ Baldy at 0800H. Avn notified and A/C laid on at 2330H. 196th notified that request had tentative approval and would be confirmed in the morning. At 160717H, 196th given confirmation of approval for A/C.
11	0747	11th, B/4/3, BS6981, 7182, 7380, 0704H, CA 1st lift complete at 0704, LZ cold, last lift complete at 0745H, LZ cold.
12	1003	MAG-13, info received from a VN worker, states that a Bn is located vic BT410017. The Bn number is 323. They are armed with 3x81mm mortars, 2x60mm mortars, 4xB-40 RL. They plan to attack Ly Tin, An Tan City Hall, and Ky Sanh. No rating given.
12	1025	11th, C/3/1, BS725437 at 1010H, eng'd 1 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA. People gathering rice said he was a VC and they were glad that he was dead.
13	1030	11th, Aero Scouts, BS719803 at 1015H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
14	1100	196th, requested additional CH-47 for transporting a total of 22 sorties. Request passed to G-3 and approved. Passed to C/S, CG.
15	1055	1st CAG, CAP 133, BS664981 at 0925H, 1 VC came into compound with gunshot wounds. He had conflicting stories upon questioning and was sent to hospital.
16	1105	39th Engr, B/39, BS632820 at 0930H, VN turned in the following: 33x 4.2 rds, 32x40mm rds, 4x60mm rds, 3xHG, 2x57mm rds. Destroyed.
17	1110	39th Engr, C/39, BS726568 at 0950H, 2 VN females were wounded vic BS730570 and evac to Mo Duc Dispensary.
18	1114	11th, B/3/1, BS768448 at 1000H, detained 9 VCS. All MAM. Held for questioning.
19	1115	196th, D/2/1, vic BT015403 at 1036H, found cave & tunnel complex, 25 caves, each big enough for 5 people. Also 1xlarge cave, entrance 4' x 2' wide, inside was board pallets, enough for 30 people. Entrance was man made and recently used. In the back was a hammock & cooking area. Too big to destroy, plotted on map.
20	1145	PMO, 1140H, MP reported that a VC tax collector was in An Tan. Notified the 198th and they said they could not pick up as they have no authority in An Tan. The 198th is contacting MAJ Narris at Ly Tin (D) HQ's and see if he will have PF's pick up the VC. MP's notified to send patrol to An Tan bridge and meet the National Police and then go to pick up suspect.
21	1200	196th, VR mission for F Trp, 8th Cav, VR mission for 3/21, Cmd push. 2 hrs, area BT1424, received sniper fire 3 locations. 1245H, 1/1 called, can run mission. Notified 196th.
22	1220	198th, A/1/6, vic BT173114, ref journal entry #9, A/1/6 called in 2 air strikes and gunships dispatched to location. Neg results so far. Unit searching area.
23	1226	198th, B/1/46, vic BT227075 at 1223H, rec'd sniper fire, res: 1xEM WHA (minor), evac to Aid Station.
24	1237	1st CAG, CAP 112, vic BT331177 at 160530H, arty mission called on 152100 had neg results. Patrol was checking out village where 9 VC were supposed to be. Found 4xVN wounded, 4xcows killed, 1xhouse & stored rice burned.
25	1250	198th, B/1/6 & R/1/6, vic BT218124 & BT234118, 0945H, 1120H, 1130H, 3 air strikes produced: 1xbunker damaged, 1xsecondary explosion, 6xmilitary structures destroyed, 6xspider holes uncovered.
26	1305	11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, vic BS745811 at 1150H, detained 4 VC, males, evading, res: questioning now.
27	1326	11th, S-2, request permission to run APD mission 17 Apr: AO BS6540, BS6942, BS6733, BS7134. Request acft be at Duc Pho 170800H Apr 68.
28	1345	11th, B/4/3, at 1310H vic BS712802, detained 1 VCS.
29	1355	198th, B/1/6, at 1338H vic BT170109, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 US WHA (evac). Detained 2 VCS.

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30	1404	196th, at 1025H vic BT105448, found and destroyed 3 camouflaged tunnels.
31	1405	196th, C/3/21, at 1145H vic BT142248, rec'd SA fire, returned fire, checked area. Res: 3 VC KIA, 1xAK-47 CIA.
32	1410	11th, MAJ Davidson, 11th Bde has all elements out of AO extension SW of Muscatine, and are ending operations in that extension.
33	1420	196th, LRRP Margie, extracted 1418H from vic AT917314.
34	1430	11th, A/3/1, at 1415H vic BS710545, detained 1 VCS evading.
35	1431	11th, A/3/1, at 1420H vic BS711543, detained 1 VCS evading.
36	1445	196th, LRRP Sue, extracted 1440H from vic BT084188.
37	1440	198th, A/1/6, at 1430H vic BT157108, found 8 fresh graves, 6 graves had bodies in them, 2 were empty. Res: 6 VC KIA by SA.
38	1445	196th, B/2/1, at 1400H vic AT990301, found 1xMAS-36 rifle, SN 219897, res: 1 IWC.
39	1448	196th, E/1/52, at 1430H vic BT137418, obs and eng'd 1 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA. CIA web gear, notebook, 2xChicom HG's. HG's destroyed, other equip evac.
40	1456	11th, C/3/1, at 1420H vic BS772437, detained 1 VCS evading.
41	1505	11th, C/3/1, at 1455H vic BS705402, eng'd 1 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA. Documents found on body appear to be Tax Collector documents.
42	1508	1/1, F/8 Cav, at 1505H vic BT238246, obs & eng'd 1 MAM evading. Res: 1 VC KIA.
43	1521	1/1, F/8 Cav, at 1515H vic BT232229, obs & eng'd 1 MAM evading. Res: 1 VC KIA.
44	1400	1st Gag, CAP 134, vic BT622013 at 1320H, 2 VN females. 18 & 15, infected middle finger on both females. Action taken: routine Medevac to 2nd Surg.
45	1453	196th, C/2/1, air lifted from vic AT896395 to LZ Colt. 1st lift at 1400H, completed at 1438H.
46	1552	11th, B/4/3, vic BS712805 at 1519H, rec'd 30-40 rds SA fire, res: 1 US WHA (evac), Dustoff complete at 1545H. Checking area.
47	1628	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT233229 at 1625H, eng'd 2 VC, res: 2 VC KIA (C).
48	1635	198th, A/1/6, vic BT148110 at 1620H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA (C), no wpn.
49	1637	CLDC, alert condition White effective 1800H.
50	1640	ADE D/26 Engr, road is clear from Tam Ky to BT170135, night location for element will be BT181858.
51	1655	196th, C/3/21, vic BT129245 at 1615H, obs 3 VC, eng'd, res: 2 VC KIA (C), CIA 1xMAS-36, SN 90914, 1xSKS, SN 62139. Also captured web gear, 2xChicom HG's.
52	1700	196th, C/3/21, ref journal entry #31, change coord to read BT139247 and change wpn to read 1xK-44, SN A3996 captured.
53	1715	198th, A/1/6, vic BT157107 at 1621H, 1 VC KIA (C), w/wpn, AK-47.
54	1720	11th, C/3/1, vic BS718426 at 1715H, detained 2 VC hiding in a hootch, also found some documents.
55	1630	198th, CIDG attached to A/1/6, at 1615H vic BT148112, picked up 5xVCS and CIA 1xbolt action rifle (French) SN 2709.
56	1749	1st Cag, CAP 133, at 1510H vic BS683967, patrol approached 1 VN working in rice paddy. Kit Carson identified VN as local guerrilla. Name: Nguyen Truong, male, 33 yrs old, ID 125462, evac to Binh Son.
57		Transcription note: no spot report for journal entry item #57.
58	1750	196th, request Light team F/8 Cav, report to vic BT043223, 3/21 cmd push. Target: VC in open, 1/1 Cav told to send light team to marry up with 196th gunship. 1805H: 1/1 called, team on the way.
59	1750	11th, 8-5 1/20, vic BT617644 at 1700H, under VIP Program, VN turned in the following: 1xB-40 rocket rd, 7xconcussion HG's, 3xChicom HG's, 3x60mm mortar rds, 1x57mm RR rd.
60	1845	196th, ref journal entry #45, C/2/1 moved to FSB Ross, not Colt.
61	1710	196th, D/3/21, BT049225, obs 5 VC in the open w/packs. Called arty, obs secondary explosion. 1738H, obs more VC in same area w/packs. F/8 Cav 21 on station, reconned area by fire. Left 1905H. Firebird 98 came on station, reconned area by fire w/neg surv. D Co moved to night location.
62	1950	196th, C/1/52, BT110450 at 1925H, while moving to night location rec'd 30 rds AW fire from 200 meters to E. Returned fire w/SA & M-79. Contact broken 1930H, neg casualties, continued mission.
63	1955	Americal MID, C-3, as of 1955H, 16 Apr 68, the following info was received from a CI Section informant who has furnished reliable info in the past. As of 1500H a VC Regt, code name and cmdr unk, moved from Phuoc Tien (V) to coords BT376060, BT361046. The regt is armed with 2x82mm, 2x80mm, and 3x60mm mortars. They also have many other, not further identified, crew served wpns. They will attack Ba Ban Bridge, BT379150, the American OP, (continued)

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2		(delayed entry) 162030 Apr 68, 196th rec'd Frag Order 9-68. 162038H Apr 68, 11th rec'd Frag Order 9-68.
3	0345	198th, A&B/1/6, at 0344H vic BT142123, rec'd approx 6 rds of 60mm mortar, scrambling gunships at this time. 0348H, 1/6 cancelled gunships, not receiving any more mortar rds, neg casualties or damage.
4	0815	196th TOC: desire to know if the Cav plat from 198th would be arriving on 17 or 18 April. 0820H: after checking w/G-3 Plans and G-3, passed to 196th that they were not receiving a plat from the 198th. The 1/1 Trp (-) will not be going to Wheeler/Wallowa until about 21 April.
5	0815	196th, E/1/52, at 0805H vic BT138424, found in hedgerow, 1xUS carbine, operable condition, SN 46099, will evac.
6	0820	1st CAG, CAP 137, at 0715H vic BS632937, patrol obs 10 VC eating. Called arty on VC, neg results.
7	0830	Tam Ky, location of 2nd Bn, 6th ARVN Regt, BT217169.
8	0848	196th, D/3/21, at 0820H vic BT045227, found 3 camouflaged tunnels and 3 camouflaged huts. Tunnels 3.5' high x 2.5' wide, 15' long. 1 hut was 10' x 10', the other 2 were 8' x 5'. Two or three beds in each of the tunnels and huts, recently used. All destroyed.
9	0930	Tam Ky (CPT Stewart), reported that a helicopter had picked up a VN vic BT263237 and did not coordinate with ARVN. They desire to know what unit picked up VN. Called 1/1, F/8 Cav picked up a VN at BT200248 and later released him as an IC. F/8 Cav said VN had been waving at them. Info passed to SGT Henry, Tam Ky.
10	0935	11th, C/4/3, vic BS750820, CA 1st lift 0824H, LZ cold, 2nd lift at 0852H, LZ cold.
11	0930	11th, 174th Avn, 0915H vic BS764832, gunship working with 4/3, eng'd 2 VC w/packs, evading, res: 2 VC KIA (C).
12	0950	198th, CAP 113, B/5/46 vic BS645996, routine Dustoff, B/36 w/CAP 113 got fired on. In the process 1 VN female was shot in stomach. Dustoff 0950.
13	1020	11th, S-2, request permission to run a sniffer mission 18 Apr 68, request aircraft be at Duc Pho at 180800H.
14	0857	11th, Aero Scouts, vic BS661825 at 0820H, gunship went down from mechanical failure, ship is a total loss, the crew has been evac, 4 WHA (evac).
15	1015	196th TOC, Caribou to take elements of 196th to Camp Evans is down. Request Hook to take them. Passed to Avn, Hook is available. 1030H: passed to G-3 for passage to CG. G-3 requests Caribou if at all possible. 1052: Caribou obtained from III MAF for use.
16	1037	11th, C/4/3, vic BS759819 at 0958H, detained 2 VCS.
17	1050	198th, B/5/46, ref journal entry #12, 2xfemales were shot. One dusted off, the other KIA.
18	1100	CSIC, 26th Engr, 1000H, vic BT175135, rec'd sniper fire. Res: 1 US WHA (evac), 1 PF WHA (evac).
19	1115	196th, A-B-D/4/31, 1st lift from field loc to LZ Baldy 0936H, complete 1020H.
20	1125	198th, B/5/46, at 1125H vic BS640986, located a 105mm rd, BT. Engr will blow in place.
21	1150	11th, LRRP Irene, inserted vic BS698473 at 1030H.
22	1205	11th, E/4/21, closed LZ Thunder 1115H.
23	1220	11th, C/4/3, at 1209H vic BS767818, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
24	1230	196th, E/3/21, at 0845H vic BT019263, obs & eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
25	1245	198th, A/1/6, at 1237H vic BT147113, rec'd sniper fire, called arty on enemy location. Checking area at this time.
26	1253	11th, B/3/1, at 1230H vic BS737439, eng'd 2 VC evading, res: 2 VC CIA (1 WIA).
27	1305	11th, A/3/1, at 1255H vic 757464, detained 2 VCS, res: 2 detainees.
28	1305	11th, A/3/1, at 1230H vic 753463, detained 3 VCS, res: 3 detainees.
29	1330	11th, C/3/1, at 1323H vic BS698438, eng'd 2 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA, other wounded by element, searching for him at this time.
30	1403	1/1, F/8 Cav, at 1400H vic BT188250, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
31	1420	11th, A/3/1, at 1330H vic BS754463, detained 1 VCS.
32	1425	CSIC, 196th convoy to Camp Evans, departed LZ Baldy at 1408H.
33	1421	11th, LRRP Irene, 1415H vic BS704470, obs 1 NVA w/wpn and pack moving south toward rice area. Will follow.
34	1440	198th, D/1/6, at 1430H vic BT263135, found 16 graves containing 16 VN males, green uniforms. Appeared to be several days old, killed by shrapnel. 1515H: determined to have probably been killed during TET offensive, will not count as body count.

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35	1335	(delayed entry) 198th, A-B/1/6, at 1330H vic BT157107, rec'd AW & M-79 fire, scrambled 2 gunships. Gunships rec'd fire in the area, neg hits. FAC getting ready to put in air strike. 1430H: Air strike went in at BT158107, unit will check area now.
36	1500	1/1, B/1/1, at 0815H vic BT124134, had 1 US accidentally shot in right ankle, investigation being made, man evac. At 1500H, wound was determined to have been accidental. Res: 1 NBW.
37	1500	CSIC, MO 1/4 Ton, at 1450H vic BT196390, ran off road. 3 MP's injured, 1 w/broken arm, 1w/twisted back, 1 w/cuts on face. All evac to DaNang.
38	1545	AVNO, ref journal entry #14, gunship downed in Muscatine AO was downed due to enemy fire rather than mechanical failure.
39	1515	11th, LRRP Irene, 1500H vic BS7146, obs 4 NVA moving south, NVA presently on Hill 300, GL BS7146. 1502H, LRRP Irene in contact w/15-20 NVA, 3/1 will put a reaction force of 1 plat in the area. Gunships have gone in and worked the area over. A plat of A/3/1 CA'd into area, completion time 1604H, cold LZ. 1640H, plat A/3/1 and LRRP linked up vic BS703467.
40	1540	196th, B/1/20, closed LZ Ryder 1349H.
41	1620	11th, C/4/21, at 1610H vic BS873325, 1 US WHA (evac), stepped on a BT.
42	1651	196th, C/3/21, at 1430H vic BT135235, found 5 fresh graves w/bodies all wrapped in white parachute cloth. One had banana leaves over his face. Also found 2 HG in one grave. Res: 5 VC KIA.
43	1655	CLDC: Alert condition White effective 1800H.
44	1700	1/1, F/8 Cav, 1656H vic BT171175, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
45	1703	196th, CPT Morris, convoy closed DaNang at 1700H. No trouble reported.
46	1705	1/1, C/1/1, 1703H vic BT240177, found 1 dead VN. Other VN in area stated he was killed by the VC. He also stated that VC moved into the mountains but he didn't know in what direction.
47	1716	11th, A/3/1, 1500H vic BS735458, detained 1 VCS.
48	1717	11th, A/3/1, 1515H vic BS729461, detained 1 VCS evading.
49	1716	11th, A/3/1, BS731461 at 1510H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
50	1730	1st CAG, CAP 134, at 1700H, VC units Company P-31 & Co 135 having 1x82mm and 1x60mm mortar, also MG & IW. Mission to attack CAP 134 and burn refugee village Son Tra (BT628028). They're supposed to hit of 17 Apr 68. Info by RD Cadre & CAP 134. Rating: C-3.
51	1805	CC, 198th, 158107 at 1750H, rec'd hvy SA fire. Scrambled 2 gunships, no hits.
52	1840	11th, A/3/1, at 1800H, BS709468, 2 VC KIA, 1 by air strike, the other by LRRP Irene, 1xAK-47 CIA, SN 10037833.
53	1903	11th, extraction of C/4/3 complete 1835H to vic BS526840.
54	1904	FSE, A/3/82, completed air move to LZ Baldy 1900H.
55	1910	11th, D/4/3, BS730849 at 1644H, VN male brought to LZ w/shrapnel wounds, want to classify him as a VC. 1 VCS dusted off.
56	1910	11th, C/4/3, BS517832 at 1730H, 1 VC WIA/CIA. Indiv approached perimeter, they asked for ID. He panicked and ran, warning shots fired. Then he was eng'd, ducted off.
57	2020	198th, B/1/46, BT208072 at 1200H, found hut. Indiv entered, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA. 30 yrs old. Found NVA flag in hut.
58	2035	196th, B/2/1, AT984338 at 2020H, receiving ground attack from E & W. SA/AW fire only. 2021H, 196th gunships scrambled. 2022H, C/2/1 alerted to be prepared to reinforce if required. 2028H, gunships on station. Negative casualties at this time.
59	2040	11th, C/4/3, BS526833 at 1615H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA. 2xM26 HG, 1xChicom HG CIA, destroyed.
60	2045	196th, B-D/2/1, at 2005H, B Co CP obs indiv who tripped 1 flare. Co eng'd w/HG and called arty. At 2020H, 3rd Plat of B Co and plat ambush position rec'd SA/AW fire from W (2 or 3 locations). NCD. At 2015H, D Co 2/1 rec'd 2 unk type explosions (either HG or RPG). NCD. Rds came from NW. As of 2045H, area was quiet.
61	2055	2d ARVN, LT Be, AO ext request for 11th Bde, NW Mo Duc for period 180600H-222400H is approved. Passed to 11th Bde at 2104H.
62	2100	11th, insertion of LRRP Irene: 180830H, BS694466. LRRP Helen, 180900H, BS675401.
63	2300	198th, 1/14 Arty, BT548012 at 2240H, bnkr 30 heard movement to rear of bunker. Surprised 2 VC. Threw 2 HG's. Bnkr returned fire. VC evaded through the wire.
64	1935	196th, 4/31 Inf, completed air move to LZ Baldy at 1930H.

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	172320	(delayed entry) 198th TOC, a 43 vehicle convoy will be going north 180900H Apr 68.
3	0655	Tam Ky, PF unit, 172230H vic BT281185, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA, 1xAK-47 CIA.
4	0705	11th, A/3/1, CA to vic BS702558, 1st lift in 0643H, LZ cold, 2d lift in 0650H, LZ cold, 3d lift (complete) in at 0700H, LZ cold.
5	0807	198th, A/1/52, 0750H vic BT655012, 1 us hit BT HG. Res: 2 US WHA (evac).
6	0826	11th, B/4/3, 0810H vic BS729803, detained 3 VCS, no ID, between 30-40 yrs old.
7	0827	11th, A/3/1, 0755H vic BS699585, found in tunnel, 3x100 lb bags polished rice, destroyed. Found BT bunker, also destroyed.
8	0830	198th, TOC, 43 vehicles. Convoy that was to depart Chu Lai for LZ Baldy has been postponed.
9	0905	11th, C/4/3, vic BS658824, 171615H, ref journal entry #59, 17 Apr 68, change coord to read BS658824.
10	0910	11th, C/3/1, vic BS725418 at 0850H, tripped BT, 5 WHA (evac). 1 lost his foot, 0915H, believe BT was M-79 rds rigged for pressure.
11	0942	196th, D/1/52, vic BT120427 at 0859H, obs 1 VC w/wpn, light green uniform, evading into village. Dropped wpn, res: CIA 1xM-2 carbine SN 1764715. Could not find VC.
12	1025	11th, C/4/3, vic BS532818 at 1015H, detained 1 VC, no ID card, says he is 32 yrs of age.
13	1030	39th Engr, C Co, vic BS731549 at 0845H, VN truck hit a mine, mine did not detonate. Swept area, removed explosives.
14	1030	39th Engr, Co C, vic BS717597 at 0940H, mine sweep team rec'd 30 rds sniper fire, returned fire & continued mine sweep. Res: negative casualties.
15	1045	11th, B/4/3, 0925H-0945H vic BS739821, rec'd 20 rds 60mm mortar and large amount SA & AW fire. Arty and 81mm mortar firing on location now, will check area when fire is lifted.
16	1100	OB, Tam Ky, a rallier on 26 March reported an unidentified NVA Bn Hq's located vic BT261085. Base camp located vic BT260089, and an NVA Dispensary at the foot of Go Mountain, vic BT250078.
17	1100	11th, B/4/3, at 1040H vic BS739821, obs 5 VC evading, VC hit their own BT. Res: 4 VC KIA.
18	1107	11th, LRRP Irene, inserted vic BS695465 at 1030H.
19	1107	11th, LRRP Helen, inserted vic BS676402 at 1045H.
20	1110	198th, LRRP Jeanie, inserted vic BT452008 at 1100H.
21	1110	Tam Ky, (CPT Stewart), informed DTOC that 1 Co of Inf and 4xarmored card would escort convoy to Tien Phuoc. This is in addition to any forces along the road. There will be continuous air cover provided by VNAF.
22	1143	11th, B/4/3, 1110H vic BS729803, detained 2 VCS hiding in a haystack.
23	1144	11th, A/3/1, 1130H vic BS695585, detained 2 VCS hiding in spider hole, no ID cards.
24	1210	196th, C/3/21, 1147H vic BT144261, obs 2 VC evading 250 meters NW, eng'd w/SA. Res: 1 VC KIA, other fled north.
25	1255	198th, B/1/46, 1215H vic BT207073, rec'd sniper fire. Res: 2 WHA (evac), both hit in legs.
26	1232	11th, S-2, 1030H-1130H, results of sniffer mission. Hot spots at following locations: BS653364, BS672334, BS675330, BS675323, BS676315, BS688345, BS693340, BS707382, BS708365, BS715358, BS729348, BS740332, BS713339.
27	1325	198th, B/1/46, ref journal entry #25, change to read 1 US WHA (evac). Shot through both legs.
28	1325	11th, Aero Scouts 3/1, 1315H vic BS797477, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA, no wpn.
29	1400	11th, Aero Scouts 3/1, 1345H vic BS797477, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
30	1400	198th, B/1/46, ref journal entry #25, unit returned fire. Res: 1 VC KIA.
31	1403	198th, R/5/46, 1400H, BS538958, unit in light contact, no casualties at this time. 1418: contact broken, checked area with neg results.
32	1445	196th, D/1/52, at 1409H vic BT100411, obs 3 VC evading 75M to the north, eng'd w/SA. Res: 1 VC KIA, 1 VC WIA/CIA, 1 VC CIA. No ID or documents.
33	1450	198th, D/1/6, at 1420H vic BT240113, rec'd hvy SA and sniper fire. Res: 1 US WHA (evac), gunships on station.
34	1513	1/1, F/8 Cav, 1510H vic BT190473, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
35	1515	11th, S-2, request permission to run APD mission 19 Apr 68. AO BS6153, BS6853, BS6247, BS7148. Request acft report to Duc Pho 190800H.
36	1530	1/1, F/8 Cav, 1530H vic BT158498, eng'd 1 MAM evading. Res: 1 VC KIA. Credited to 196th as in their AO.
37	1600	198th, B/1/46, at 1445H vic BT216076, eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA. CIA 4x81mm mortar charges.

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38	1625	198th, 1558H, FAC, BT242117, results of pre-planned air strike: BDA of 4xstructures destroyed, 5xsecondary explosions, one a fireball with flames 300'. FAC and 1/6 both observed.
39	1645	CLDC, effective 181800H Apr 68, alert condition White.
40	1655	11th, LRRP Irene, 1645H vic BS702446, found an occupied base camp w/many VC. Called for gunships, gunships not available at this time. LRRP's observing. 1705H: LRRP's dropped request for gunships, have found a base camp, but have not observed a lot of VC, only a lot of dogs barking. Still observing.
41	1722	1/1, F/8 Cav, 1720H vic BT217431, eng'd 2 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
42	1733	198th, A/1/6, 1707H vic BT141082, C&C acct coming into loc rec'd 2 rds sniper fire, NCD.
43	1734	1/1, F/8 Cav, 1730H vic BT217431, eng'd 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
44	1735	198th, C&C 1/52, 1728H vic BS633995, rec'd SA fire from 4-5 VC. NCD.
45	1745	1/1, F/8 Cav, 1740H vic BT220428, eng'd 1 MAM, res: 1 VC KIA.
46	1754	1/1, F/8 Cav, 1750H vic BT226220, eng'd 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
47	1756	Rcn/3/1, at 1720H vic BS795428, element hit BT. Res: 2 US WHA (E).
48	1807	A/1/52, at 1740H vic BS632982, rec'd sniper fire, res: 1 US WHA (evac).
49	1812	198th, 1/46, at 1715H vic BT479076, 3/4-Ton had accident, 1 US evac.
50	1718	(delayed entry) IFFORCEV, EAC 2, at 171800 rec'd msg from CG IFFORCEV, subject: Ext of MacArthur AO. They requested that we process request. Passed to 2d ARVN Div at Quang Ngai at 180540H. Approved by them 181715H. Passed to IFFORCEV at 1720H. Requested AO extension approved until 092400 Jun 68.
51	0954	(delayed entry) 198th, LT Bibb, change of Sitrep 12 Apr. Under small unit ref "A" at 121030H, recon plat leader stepped on BT, res: WHA (E). Change: died 17 Apr. 198th will pick him up as KHA.
52	1856	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT324309 at 1850H, 1 VC eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
53	1856	1/1, B/1/1, BT175176 at 1855H, eng'd 1 VCC, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 US WHA (M).
54	1840	11th, S-5 1/20, BS636644 at 1820H, VN turned in 5x81mm rds, 8x60mm rds, 3x57RR rds, 1x105mm rd, 2xChicom HG, 1xM2A3 15 lb shape charge. All destroyed.
55	1935	198th, B/1/6, BT154083 at 1930H, receiving hvy AW and 9 rds M-79 fire. Gunships and flare ship have been scrambled. NCD at this time. MTF. 1940H, incoming stopped. Fired arty and mortar on suspected location, gunships on station. 2029H, gunships have departed area for home station. No more incoming fire. NCD.
56	2145	198th, 28 vehicles to LZ Baldy from 9th Support. Will move when road opens.
57	2010	198th, MAJ Sanders, 3826 (D Zone) Swift Boats receiving fire at this time. Request additional gunships and flare ship. Rec'd fire from land side vic BT3826. 2030H, no longer receiving fire. No requirement for gunships.
58	2000	39th Engr, B/39, BS622845 at 1700H, the following turned in by VN civilians: 2xM18A1 (Claymore), 21xM26 HG, 31x40mm HE rds, 15x60mm HE rds, 3x60mm WP, 1x4.2" rd, 1x3.5" rd. Destroyed all in place.
59	2030	196th, TOC, effective 190600H, the 196th Bde will turn back the AO ext granted by 1/1 Cav, located in NE corner of the AO. This extension was to have continued until 202400H. Passed to 1/1 Cav at 2035H.
60	2215	196th, C/3/21 Inf, BT112302 at 2012H, obs 1 blinking light at BT120302. Arty called. Light stopped blinking.
61	2400	Opns Summary: Americal Div units cont'd combat opns in zone w/light scattered contact reported. In Opn Wheeler/Wallowa the 4th Bn, 31st Inf was air moved from LZ Baldy (BT133453) to Camp Evans. A/3/82 Arty remains at LZ Baldy. In the Duc Pho AO, A/3/1 conducted a CA at 0700H to vic BS7056 and conducted opns West. Movements originally scheduled for today, 2/1 Inf to LZ Baldy, C/3/82 Arty to Baldy, and 1/20 Inf (-) to LZ Ross, have been delayed until 19 Apr. In Opn Burlington Trail, a convoy of 15 vehicles moved from Tam Ky to Tien Phuoc over the newly opened road. The Americal Div provided A/C for a CA by the 4th ARVN Regt to vic BS7582, complete 0940H. Americal Division Totals: 12 WHA (evac), 1 WHA (minor), 17 VC KIA, 3 IWC.
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2	0630	CLDC, effective 0700H, CLDC normal daylight working conditions.
3	0755	11th, C/4/21, vic BS888312 at 0300H, eng'd 4 VC, res: 1 VC KIA (C).
4	0755	1st CAG, CAP 138, vic BS563914 at 190600H, patrol eng'd unk number of VC, res: 3 VC KIA (C), 1 USMC WHA (M), 1xSMG CIA, SN AT8038, also 5xM16 HG, 1xbayonet, 3xpistol belts, 80x30 cal rds, med supplies and documents. All will be evac.
5	0810	1/1, CPT Cronan, 0810H, request AO ext from BT138408 along river to BT123370, E along 37 EW line to 2nd ARVN boundary, N along boundary to BT138408. Want this ext from time approved until 192000H as F/8 Cav has spotted suspected enemy in the area. Want to send F/8 into the area. Passed to 196th at 0840H, at 0820H passed to 1/1 to get approval from Thang Binh. Cancelled by 1/1 0845H. Passed to 196th.
6	0820	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT154348 at 0814H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA (C).
7	0825	11th, LRRP Irene, vic BS724445 at 0815H, extracted.
8	0830	196th, 178th Avn, vic BT046393 at 0804H, aircraft going in to move D/2/1 rec'd SA & air fire, aircraft took some hits, but is still flyable. Neg casualties, aircraft returned to LZ Baldy.
9	0835	198th, R/1/46, vic BS435995 at 0829H, eng'd 2 VC evading. 1 VC KIA, captured 1 Chicom HG.
10	0900	196th, C/3/21, vic BT091307 at 0830H, obs 1 VC evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA (C).
11	0900	196th, C/3/21, vic BT105292 at 0800H, obs 3 VC evading W, eng'd w/SA, 1 VC KIA (C).
12	0903	198th, A/1/6, vic BT141075 at 0857H, C&C acft rec'd SA fire, ground troops will check area. Neg casualties or damage.
13	0800	CSIC, 9th Engr, vic BT201383 at 0730H, bridge blown at coord BT201383, bypass is passable.
14	0907	11th, C/4/3, vic BS530850 at 0856H, 2 US WHA as a result of BT. Evac to Chu Lai. 0955: BT was Bouncing Betty. Res at this time, 1 KHA, 3 WHA (evac).
15	0925	196th, MAJ Beardon, D/2/1 moved to Baldy at 0920H. A/1/20, 0915H, completed move to D/2/1 field position BT028390, C/3/82 now being moved to Baldy.
16	0935	196th, ROK LNO informed 196th TOC to contact the ROK's on Past 14 Freq 40.0 upon entering ROK AO.
17	0947	196th, vic BT103387 at 0830H, obs 2 VC evading 100 meters to the S, one of them jumped into a bomb shelter, eng'd w/HG, res: 1 VC KIA, eng'd the other VC at 100 meters. Neg res. Inside the bomb shelter CIA some soap.
18	0955	11th, C/3/1, vic BS710437 at 0952H, arty rd fell short, res: 2 NBW evac.
19	1013	196th, R/3/21, vic BT106252 at 0845H, obs & eng'd 1 VC evading, 1 VC KIA (C). No ID or equip.
20	1020	196th, D/3/21, vic BT015227 at 0915H, obs & eng'd 5 VC in a creek, 4 VC KIA (C), no wpns or docs.
21	1010	196th, B/3/21, vic BT123227 at 0905H, 2 returnees led unit to a rice cache of 1500 lbs of unpolished rice in a bin 8' x 6' in a hut. The returnees questioned a female in the area and she told them where a second cache was with 8000 lbs of polished rice in a hut, also detained 1 female in the area. The 1500 lbs of rice was destroyed, the 8000 lbs of rice was evac. Rice was not camouflaged or guarded.
22	1030	Tam Ky, 1013H, location of 2nd Bn, 6th Regt, BT219168.
23	1055	11th, A/3/1, at 1000H vic BS753533, detained 3xVCS.
24	1100	A39th Engr, vic BS596927 at 182100H, rec'd SA & mortar rds, neg casualties. Took cover and set up defense.
25	1102	A/3/1, at 1045H, vic BS753535, 1 US WHA evac, from BT 105mm rd rigged to a chair in front of a hut.
26	1127	FSE, A/3/82 Arty, departed Americal AO for PCV-Camp Evans, 191125H.
27	1202	26th Engr, B/26 Engr, at 1015H vic BT065368, found 4 mines in road within 20 meter stretch. Mines were not covered, pressure type, blown in place.
28	1230	11th, B/4/21, 1045H, BT932222, closed LZ Charlie Brown at 1045H.
29	1237	198th, B/1/46, at 1140H vic BT239071, made contact with 3 VC, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 VC WIA/CIA, 1 VCS (14 yrs old).
30	1238	196th, C/3/21, at 1145H vic BT083289, found in 2 deserted huts: 36xbottles vitamins, 2xbottles cough syrup, 5xbottles diarrhea medicine, 2xbottles headache tablets, 2xbottles cold powder, 19xpks elastic bandages, 19xpks of a type of hunger medication, 20xnew pink towels, 9xbars of weapon cleaning soap, 21xgal of some type alcoholic beverage. Destroyed alcoholic beverage and 2 huts, will evac rest. All equip was of Chicom or VN manufacture, fairly new and in good condition.
31	1240	196th, C/3/21, at 1255H vic BT087307, while moving into a village obs a VC, he started to evade, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
32	1300	198th, D/1/46, at 1155H vic BT208077, rec'd 10 to 12 rds sniper fire, 1 US WHA evac.
33	1304	11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, at 1244H vic BS518862, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.

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34	1304	11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, 1209H vic BS518862, detained 7 VCS, 1 states he desires to Chieu Hoi, will interrogate.																											
35	1305	11th, A/3/1, 1255H vic BS743538, detained 1 VCS. Same location found 1xZip gun. Res: 1 IWC.																											
36	1325	11th, TOC, reported 2 CH-47 ready to move C/1/20 at this time. The other 3 CH-47 have not arrived yet. After checking w/196th, told the 11th to start movement of C/1/20 to the North. MAJ Davidson, 11th, MAJ Beardon, 196th.																											
37	1340	26th Engr, S-2, 1200H vic BT450105, 9th Engr brought woman (VN) injured by some type explosion. She was picked up by 9th Engr along QL-1. Type or nature of explosion unk. VN dusted off.																											
38	1345	196th, TOC, at 1330H, convoy from 196th going N departed from Americal AO at 1330H.																											
39	1350	11th, C/3/1, BS690437 at 1345H, found 1 body, VC claim they engaged 18 Apr 68.																											
40	1412	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT178245 at 1405H, LOH acft rec'd 20 rds SA fire, pilot hit in leg. Will evac. A/C not flyable, secured by C/1/1. Will lift out.																											
41	1415	FSE, CPT Ellis, B/6/11 completed a move to LZ Sue (BS565877) at 1337H by Hook. Unit is laid and ready to fire, but not yet registered.																											
42	1415	196th, C/3/21, BT083289 at 1330H, obs & eng'd 1 VC evading 200 meters NE, eng'd with M-60, checked area and found blood trails leading E. Followed trail & eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA. Black PJ's, 35 years old.																											
43	1420	39th Engr, B Co, BS622845 at 1100H, VN turned in the following: 17x40mm rds, 6x60mm rds, 3xM16 mines, 1xlb TNT, 3x3.5RR rds, 1x4.2 rd, 1x105mm rd, 19xHG's, 2xM-72 LAW (complete), 1x81mm rd. All destroyed.																											
44	1500	FSE, CPT Ellis, C/3/82 Arty closed LZ Baldy (BS133453) at 1455H with 5 tubes.																											
45	1520	11th, E/1 Cav, BS560893 at 1422H, personnel walked into mine field. Res: 1 US KHA, 11 US WHA, 1 VN WHA (interpreter). 8 US evac. Also found 4 more mines containing 40 lbs of explosives each. All were Bouncing Betty type.																											
46	1543	11th, C/1/20, first lift 1340H. Last lift departed 1405H. D/1/20 lift complete 1543H. A/1/20 (BT028390) 0915H. C/1/20 (AT995323) 1405H. D/1/20 (LZ Ross), 1543H.																											
47	1624	1/1, S-2, at 1620H, 1/1 request AO ext from 198th, AO BT2015, 2012, 2215, 2212. MAJ Benn called 198th requesting the ext from 191620H to 202400H. Extension granted by 198th. Passed to 1/1 Cav.																											
48	1630	CLDC, alert condition White effective 1800H.																											
49	1635	196th, B/3/21, BT136227 at 1530H, found beside a hut in a bin 8' x 6' in the open, 2 tons of polished rice. Will evac.																											
50	1635	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT230252 at 1635H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.																											
51	1635	196th, A/1/20, BT055405 at 1305H, rec'd 2 rds of SA fire from 900 meters NE. Called arty w/unk results. 1330H, rec'd 4 more rds of SA fire from BT047406. 1 US WHA (evac).																											
52	1640	11th, Aero Scouts, BS517853 at 1626H, detained 3 VC suspects. Evac to LZ Dottie for questioning.																											
53	1700	III MAF, CPT Hines, ARVN Agent report: from ITOC 1st Corp (ARVN TOC). VC intend to attack throughout S Vietnam on night of 20 Apr 68. Especially to mortar and attack Hoi An and 51st ARVN Regt. ROK's, ARVN's notified.																											
54	1645	1/1, B/1/1, BT209140 at 1610H, eng'd est enemy plat. Res: B/1/1, 7 VC KIA, 2 IWC (1xAK-44 SN 39991). 1 SKS (SN 1009164). F/8 Cav: 6 VC KIA. C/1/6: 12 VC KIA, 3 IWC (1xAK-44 SN J12517, 1xChicom carbine SN 3322A72, 1x.45 cal pistol SN 179701).																											
55	1720	11th, B/3/1, BS841364 at 1708H, rear element rec'd SA fire from 3 VC, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA and 1 M26 HG CIA. Action took place at sanitary field.																											
56	1720	11th, LRRP Helen, BS683392 at 1715H, at their location they found 30-40 lbs of salt, found 5-6 lbs of corn, some baskets and notes written on "C" ration boxes dated Apr 68. Also 1 pair of black PJ's were found.																											
57	1743	198th, Rcn/1/46, at 1658H began extraction of Rcn/1/46 at BT433010. Completed 1720H. Extracted to Hill 69.																											
58	1750	11th, C/4/21, BS866336 at 1710H, C/4/21 hit a booby trap. 1 US WHA (evac), Dustoff complete.																											
59	1750	11th, C/4/21, BS866336 at 1740H hit BT. Res 1 US KHA.																											
60	1833	198th, B/5/46, BS655942 at 1830H, 3 US hit BT. 2 WHA (evac), 1 WHA (minor). Dustoff 1841H.																											
61	1835	196th, C/3/21, BT108310 at 1700H, C/3/21 obs 2 MAM 150 meters SW. Eng'd w/SA, res: 2 VC KIA (C). Both had web gear, with 2xM26 HG's. HG's were destroyed, no other ID or documents.																											
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63	1900	196th, convoy from DaNang to Camp Evans closed 1400H. Convoy from LZ Baldy to DaNang closed 1700H.																																																
64	1915	11th, A/3/1, BS753534 at 0940H, hit BT 105mm rd. 2 WHA (evac).																																																
65	1915	11th, Rcn/4/3, BS463844 at 1523H, 1 WHA from BT HG.																																																
66	1915	11th, C/3/1, BS710437 at 0925H, ref journal entry #18. 11th Bde is counting these as WHA (evac).																																																
67	1935	198th, D/1/46, BT220064 at 1805H, eng'd 3 to 6 VC. Eng'd 3 others in area. Res: 3 KIA, 3xAR-47 CIA, ammo and documents CIA.																																																
68	1950	C/39th Engr, BS715567 at 1750H, rec'd 10xrds SA fire, neg casualties.																																																
69	1955	11th, C/4/21, BS866336 at 1740H, indiv hit BT, 1 WHA (minor).																																																
70	2015	1/1, S-3, BT1051, request permission to withdraw 1/1 recovery & security personnel and equipment from opn involving the recovery of the vehicle that has fallen through bridge. Recovery cannot be completed until some work is accomplished by Engr's. 196th has security force in area. 1/1 Cav has 3 tracks and 2 vehicles in area that they would like to have return to Hill 29. 2030H, passed to G-3 and received approval for the withdrawal. Passed to 1/1 Cav.																																																
71	2020	196th, B/3/21, BT125224 at 2009H, rec'd approx 36 rds of 60mm mortar fire outside perimeter. From 2500 meters N of position. NCD. Arty called on suspected enemy location. Stopped at 2015H. Gunships expended ammo load and arty was fired. NCD.																																																
72	2117	11th, D/3/1, BS886286 at 2115H, receiving mortars at bridge. NCD. Sending out gunships. They drew fire from 2 locations. They fired back, think they got secondary explosion. 2145H, all quiet. 1 WHA (minor) from 196th Engr, 1 WHA (minor) from D/3/1.																																																
73	2120	196th, closure for 2/1 Inf into LZ Baldy at 1755H.																																																
74	2150	Tam Ky, TOC, CIDG opns from 191800H to 230600H, area BT0712, BT1112, BT0708, BT1108.																																																
75	2155	1/1, 1/1 CC ship, BT212132 at 1810H, CC drew sniper fire from above loc. CC ret'd fire. Res: 1 VC KIA.																																																
76	2345	198th, A/1/6, BT170086 at 2340H, receiving mortars at this time, have requested gun and flare ships. Rec'd 13 rds 60mm. Arty being fired on suspected location, BT183076. Neg casualties or damage.																																																
77	2400	Opns Summary: Americal Div units cont'd combat opns. Realignment of forces and movement of the 196th Inf Bde N. In Opn Wheeler/Wallowa the 196th Inf Bde cont'd movement N with 4th Bn, 31st Inf and A/3/82 Arty completing their air move to Camp Evans at 1400H, and becoming OPCON to 1st ACD. 2d Bn, 1st Inf moved from vic LZ Ross (BT027342) to LZ Baldy (BT133453) closing 1755H. C/3/82 Arty moved from LZ Ross to LZ Baldy closing 1455H. The 1st Bn, 20th Inf (-) moved from Nghia Hanh (BS615640) to LZ Ross closing 1543H and assumed OPCON of 2d Bn, 1st Inf AO as of 1720H. The 2d convoy from the 196th Inf Bde departed LZ Baldy at 1330H and closed DaNang at 1700H. In Opn Burlington Trail, at 1610H B/1/1 Cav vic BT209140 became engaged with an est VC plat. C/1/6 and F/8 Cav joined the contact, resulting in 25 VC KIA (C), 5 IWC, 1 US WHA (minor). Contact was broken at 1755H. A 2d ARVN Div 50 vehicle convoy departed Tam Ky from Tien Phuoc at 0945H and made the round trip closing Tam Ky at 1810H without significant incident. In Opn Muscatine & the Duc Pho AO there were 7 BT incidents and 1 mine incident resulting in friendly casualties of 3 KHA, 18 WHA (evac) & 4 WHA (minor). Opn Norfolk Victory was terminated at 1800H after the movement of 1/20 Inf (-) to LZ Ross and B/6/11 Arty movement from Nghia Hanh to LZ Sue (BS565877) closing 1337H. In the Duc Pho AO, B/4/21 Inf was moved from Chu Lai to LZ Charlie Brown (BS932222), closing at 1045H. Americal Div Totals: 3 KHA, 20 WHA (E), 9 WHA (M), 49 VC KIA, 11 IWC.																																																
78	2400	Journal Closed.																																																

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	0200	1st CAG, I-124, BT468078 at 0100H, LP in front of compound fired at 10 suspected VC, rec'd 1 incoming grenade. PF spotted 1 VC and eng'd on E side of compound. Called in illum w/neg results. Negative casualties or damage.
3	0545	1st CAG, CAP III, BT342190 at 0500H, patrol ambushed 5 VC, res: 3 VC KIA.
4	0300	(delayed entry) 198th, D/5/46, 0242H vic Hill 68, BT3113, rec'd incoming explosives, 57mm RR or 60mm mortar. Res: 1 US WHA (evac). Firing ceased 0245H. At 0345H rec'd 7xrds 57mm RR and approx 100 rds SA fire. Arty fired on suspected locations, gunships not requested. 0400H, also rec'd 11xrds 82mm mort during same attack.
5	0753	1/1, F/8 Cav, 0750H vic BT195175, eng'd 1 VC evading, w/pack and wpn. Res: 1 VC KIA.
6	0818	196th, CPT Freeman, requested a VTR to recover the M-578 that had gone off a bridge. The M-578 is operable but cannot move, need VTR and Engr. 9th Engr will be there when VTR arrives. Passed to 1/1 Cav, they will send VTR. Passed to 196th.
7	0835	39th Engr, C Co, 0720H vic BS741523, found 1xHG on shoulder of road, armed in place. Action taken: blown in place, continued mine sweep.
8	0835	11th, LRRP Helen, 0826H vic BS680392, made contact w/small enemy force. Will establish ambush at above location.
9	0845	196th, C/3/21, 0815H vic BT063288, obs 1 MAM evading to the south at 350M. Eng'd w/SA and M-79. Res: 1 VC KIA. Approx 35 yrs old.
10	0850	Tam Ky, report gunship firing rockets vic BT2422. Checking with Div AVNO and 1/1 Cav. 1/1 stated it was an acft from F/8 Cav on a snatch mission, fired smoke, not rockets, but have pulled out of area now. Relayed to Tam Ky 0858H.
11	0900	(delayed entry) 196th, 190900H Apr 68. C-123 acft departures to PCV on 19 Apr 68. Acft #1 - departed 0852H Acft #2 - departed 0857H Acft #3 - departed 0915H Acft #4 - departed 0938H Acft #5 - departed 0959H Acft #6 - departed 1147H Acft #7 - departed 1211H Acft #8 - departed 1213H Acft #9 - departed 1220H Acft #10 - departed 1355H Acft #11 - departed 1356H Acft #12 - departed 1418H Acft #13 - departed 1445H Acft #14 - departed 1507H Acft #15 - departed 1508H Acft #16 - departed 1525H Acft #17 - departed 1638H Acft #18 - departed 1649H Acft #19 - departed 1704H Acft #20 - departed 1743H Acft #21 - departed 1825H
12	0913	198th, A/1/6, 0858H vic BT173093, obs 5 NVA, eng'd, res: 1 NVA KIA, 1xM-79 CIA.
13	0920	196th, B/3/21, 0800H vic BT125223, found a 3xton rice cache of polished rice, hidden in 2xmahogany bins 6' x 6' x 6', camouflaged on a hillside. All will be evac.
14	0925	1/1, C/1/6, 0905H vic BT205145, accidental self-inflicted wound, line of duty. While moving through woods, tripped and shot himself through the foot. Res: 1 NBW (evac).
15	0935	11th, Rcn/4/3, 0913H vic BS487858, element stepped on an AP M16A1 mine. Res: 1 US WHA (evac).
16	0937	196th, E/3/21, completed lift to LZ Baldy at 0935H.
17	0950	198th, D/1/46, 0933H vic BT226056, found 1xAK-47, SN 215872, 5xChicom HG's, and some docs. All found outside an empty hut, all will be evac.
18	0955	196th, C/3/21, 0915H vic BT045300, obs and eng'd 2 VC, res: 2 VC KIA, no wpns or ID.
19	1005	Tam Ky, TOC, found a dog tag on 18 Apr 68 vic BT188158. Name: Arthur Lorranger, US51588749, blood type "A", Roman Catholic.
20	1010	11th, C/4/3, 0953H vic BS516868, detained 1 VCS. Had documents on his person containing info about NLF.
21	1025	11th, B/3/1, 0900H vic BS754462, detained 2 VCS trying to evade to the west.
22	1029	11th, B/3/1, 1015H vic BS745456, detained 2 VCS evading.

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23	1056	11th, Aero Scouts 4/3, 0950H vic BS715882, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
24	1056	11th, Aero Scouts 4/3, 1045H vic BS715882, eng'd 1 VC in a tunnel, res: 1 VC KIA.
25	1113	11th, B/3/1, 1100H vic BS742454, detained 1 VCS attempting to evade.
26	1113	11th, Aero Scouts 44/3, 0933H vic BS722878, obs 3 VC w/packs, went in and detained 1 VCS, CIA some documents. Detainee stated he was a VC. The documents stated he was with unit 113 and he had been with that unit 3 different times: 10 Nov 64, 17 Aug 66, and 20 Aug 67.
27	1115	198th, B/1/6, 1010H vic BT189104, report that 15-25 VC are firing AW at unit, friendly casualties but unk how many at this time. Gunships dispatched, air strike went in. Contact broken 1045H. Res: 1 US WHA (evac).
28	1137	11th, B/4/3, 1100H vic BS715867, detained 1 VCS evading, res: 1 detainee.
29	1138	11th, C/3/1, 1120H vic BS738458, eng'd 2 VC evading, res: 2 VC KIA, CIA documents, will evac. Also detained 3 VCS. Documents seem to indicate that 1 of the KIA was a courier of some sort.
30	1144	11th, Rcn/4/3, BS487858, ref journal entry #15, ass 1 US KHA. Total now 1 US KHA, 1 US WHA evac.
31	1150	39th Engr, B Co, 0930H vic BS624855, VN turned in the following ammo: 8x40mm rds, 13xM26 HG's, 1xpineapple HG, 6x81mm rds, 1x3.5" rd, 6xM16 mines, 3x60mm rds. All destroyed.
32	1105	198th, A/5/46, 1050H vic BS691960, receiving hvy AW and SA fire, also hit BT resulting in 5 US WHA (evac). Gunships on station and arty being fired. Unit was in contact from 1008H to 1100H, they pulled back into defensive position while arty and gunships hit the area. They will sweep area later.
33	1130	CI Section, time of info: 2010000H Apr 68. Eval: F6. Incident: at BT379039 there are 6 Co's (possibly 2 Bn's) of VC/NVA. The XO is Nguyen Tat Toan who was CO of Bn 94. One company of the VC has moved from Ky Tra (V) to Ky Sanh (V) and to Nui Dieng Bong. This company wears camouflaged uniforms, helmets, and Korean type jungle boots. They intend to attack Hill 69, Ly Tin District HQ's, An Tan Bridge, and Ong Bo Bridge, near Ky Chanh (V) from the 19th thru 25th of April. Co CO: Khoi, XO: Tam. Wpns: 2x60mm mortars, 1x.30 cal MG, B-40 rockets (quantity unk), satchel charges (quantity unk).
34	1150	198th, A/1/6, 1121H vic BT177107, eng'd 1 NVA, khaki uniform, web gear, wpn and HG. Res: 1 NVA KIA, 1xcarbine CIA, SN 7044013.
35	1155	198th, C/1/52, 1120H vic BT075375, elements with B/26 Engr on road sweep contacted unk size VC force. Res: 3 US WHA (evac). All 3 WHA from 26th Engr's.
36	1210	198th, B/5/46, 1120H vic BS649936, had man hit BT. Res: 1 US WHA (minor).
37	1243	198th, B/1/6, 1212H vic BT186106, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA. Had web gear, a hand-drawn map, and a pair of scissors, also 2 HG's.
38	1250	198th, A/1/6, ref journal entry #12, add 1 VCS detained.
39	1305	11th, B/3/1, 1300H vic BS757459, detained 1 VCS, ID card did not match.
40	1307	198th, B/5/46, 1120H vic BS649936, had man hit M14 mine, res: 1 US WHA (evac).
41	1330	1/1, B/1/1, 1316H vic BT203143, found 1000 lbs polished rice, destroyed because of location.
42	1444	11th, D/4/3, 1340H vic BS623836, detained 1 VCS hiding in hut, had an altered ID card.
43	1407	(delayed entry) 198th, B/5/46, 1355H vic BS648936, element was extracted from a mine field vic above coord to LZ Ann (BS655961).
44	1415	(delayed entry) 198th, TOC, D/3/21 lifted to LZ Baldy, complete 1410H.
45	1513	198th, C/2/1, 1005H vic BT042298, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
46	1515	198th, B/1/6, 1010H vic BT189104, ref journal entry #27, add 1 US WHA (evac). Total: 2 US WHA (evac).
47	1540	11th, Aero Scouts 4/3, 14.5H vic BS729875, rec'd SA fire. Returned fire. Res: 2 VC KIA, CIA 1xM-1 rifle, SN 4428474, 1xBAR, SN 874063.
48	1540	11th, C/3/1, 1530H, vic BS766427, eng'd 2 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 VC CIA.
49	1553	198th, TOC, reported that the M578 that was blocking bridge fell into the water at 1545H.
50	1600	III MAF, G-3 Air, close air support sorties flown in Ashau Valley in support of 1st Air Cav: 36 USMC, 47 USAF, 83 total (32 immediate, 51 pre-planned). 101st Abn Div: 0 sorties, however at the intersection of Hwy 547 & 547A, 2xUSMC and 16 USAF, for a total of 18 were flown.
51	0930	(delayed entry) 198th, D/1/46, BT226067 at 0902H, element located 3500 lbs of rice which can't be evac. Will evac.
52	0950	(delayed entry) 196th, lift departed from LZ Baldy: 1-0843H, 2-0856H, 3-0908H, 4-0944H, 5-0956H, 6-1001H, 7-1008H, 8-1024H, 9-1047H, 10-1114H, 11-1137H, 12-1203H, 13-1210H, 14-1217H, 15-1225H, 16-1349H, 17-1359H, 18-1335H, 19-1410H, 20-1447H, 21-1546H, 22-1543H, 23-1550H, 24-1557H, 25-1601H, 26-1615H, 27-1632H.
53	1515	198th, D/1/46, BT202054 at 1450H, in contact w/unk size force. Arty firing in area at this time. Contact broken at 1500H.

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54	1520	198th, 1/6, BT170087 at 1427H, air strike went in at above coord. Res: 1 VC KIA.
55	1629	11th, C/3/1, BS783423 at 1620H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
56	1636	TF Roach, LRRP Jeanie, BT445010 at 1625H, obs 6-8 people armed with AK-47's. LRRP was also seen and will be extracted.
57	1645	39th Engr, C/39, BS720585 at 1535H, found anti-personnel mine on shoulder of road. Attempted to move, mine detonated. Neg casualties or damage.
58	1645	TF Roach, A/3/46, BS620958 at 1640H, report that supply ship is down w/oil pressure trouble. It was receiving fire. A/36 has secured A/C and called gunship.
59	1655	11th, C/3/1, BS786424 at 1640H, eng'd 1 VCS evading, res: 1 VCS WIA/CIA, dusted off.
60	1700	198th, D/1/52, BT085365 at 1630H, in contact w/5 VC. They are positioned around plat. VC eng'd plat w/AW fire. Contact broken at 1715H. NCD.
61	1704	11th, B/3/1, BS760465 at 1635H, detained 17 VCS pointed out by the National Police Chief.
62	1722	11th, LRRP Helen, receiving sniper fire. Not much, but enough to where the tea is being observed. Will be extracted.
63	1728	11th, LRRP Jeanie, BT445010 at 1724H, LRRP Jeanie extracted 1724H.
64	1745	11th, C/3/1, BS810411 at 1720H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
65	1802	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT216444 at 1756H, eng'd 4 MAM w/uniforms & wpns, res: 2 NVA KIA.
66	1837	1/1, B/1/1, at 1825H, a Cav hit a mine, 4 WHA (E).
67	1855	11th, C/3/1, BS802431 at 1805H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA.
68	1957	11th, at 1952H, LRRP Helen was extracted.
69	1957	FSE, CPT Ellis, at 1715H, C/1/14 closed LZ Baldy.
70	1040	(delayed entry) FSE, CPT Krug, C/3/82 departed Americal AO at 1035H.
71	1959	TF Roach, A/5/46, BS698963 at 1829H, 3 evac from A/5/46. 2 KHA and 1 WHA (evac) (14 cab). Reason: mine exploded while they were trying to retrieve chopper.
72	1845	196th, CPT Witt, completed mission 205. The complete unit is clear along w/pinpoint element, approx 1630H. 12 sorties tomorrow. Complete 2 elements of Cedar Mtn, got 2 sorties of 206. Leave for Mon remainder of Cedar Mtn element.
73	1955	11th, 4/3 Inf, AO ext request: period 210600-211900H. Area: from BS6779, S to 6778, E to 7378, N to Muscatine boundary, W along boundary to BS6779. Reason: to conduct CA based on intel. 2005H, request passed to 2d ARVN Div. 2145H, cleared by LT Dong, 2d ARVN. Approved by CG. Approval passed to 11th. Msg sent to III MAF.
74	2000	198th, A/1/20, BT042391 at 1935H, rec'd 3 rds 60mm mortar and AW fire. NCD.
75	2025	TF Roach, A/5/46, BS695969 at 2000H, while returning to LZ, 1 man fell off track and was wounded and evac. Not believed serious.
76	2025	198th, B/3/21, BT119234 at 2010H, rec'd sniper fire. Arty being fires on suspected enemy positions. NCD.
77	2035	9th Engr, CPT Skierkowski, BT102512, called to report bridge in ROK area at BT102512 is repaired as of 1900H. Related incident: vehicle, which was too wide, drove on bridge. Vehicle broke through 3" reinforced concrete walkway. Res: vehicle slipped off to one side.
78	2200	11th, D/3/1, BS834376 at 2040H, 1 US detonated BT. Res: 1 WHA (M).
79	2210	ITOC, DaNang Sub Sector, at 2130H, ARVN Agent report: ARVN eval F-3. III MAF evaluation F-6. VC will commence the Bong-Khoe Campaign throughout SVN tonight. Long range guns will be used. Hoi An and 51st ARVN Regt will be attacked to start Quang Ngai phase of campaign. ARVN G-2 comment: long range guns mentioned may be 170mm rkts. His report parallels last night's report.
80	2150	198th, A/1/6, BT185114 at 2130H, receiving M-79 rds, AW and carbine fire. Details unk as to casualties, damage. No casualties or damage (C).
81	2400	Opns Summary: Americal Div units cont'd combat opns in zone w/light scattered contact reported. The 196th cont'd movement to Camp Evans w/Bde HQ's, 2/1 Inf, C/3/82 Arty, and elements of 3d Bn, 21st Inf, moving by C123's out of the AO. The 196th convoy scheduled for departure from LZ Baldy to Camp Evans was cancelled because of a bridge being out vic BT102511. The 198th assumed control of Opn Wheeler/Wallowa at 1000H with TF Roach assuming control of the Chu Lai TAOR. C/1/14 Arty moved from LZ Ann (BS655961) to LZ Baldy (BT133453), closing at 1715H. Americal Div totals: 3 KHA, 21 WHA (evac), 5 WHA (minor), 4 NVA KIA, 16 VC KIA, 6 IWC.
82	2400	Journal Closed

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	0130	CLDC, Tower #53, Tower 53 rec'd 3 rds sniper fire, vic BT574019. Neg casualties or damage. 198th notified by CLDC, CPT Vivanco.
3	0750	11th, A/3/1, CA vic BS776525, 1st lift LZ cold 0735H, 2d lift LZ 0748, cold LZ. CA complete 0748H.
4	0805	1/1, F/8 Cav, 0800H vic BT192464, eng'd 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
5	0903	1/1, B/1/1, 0900H vic BT258291, found 1x35 lb nitro-starch mine in the road, blew in place. Left crater 8' x 6' in road, being repaired now, road is passable.
6	0905	(delayed entry) ADE, 202130H, reported that SGT Ashendorf, DTO, reported that an S&T truck is a Class 25 vehicle and it will require approval from III MAF to cross broken bridge. They have called III MAF for approval. III MAF approves if movement is conducted as a caution crossing. Wants a G-3 approval. DTO notified of above requirement by ADE. 210730H: notified convoy Cmdr, MAJ Berchfield, to take a caution crossing with the S&T trucks.
7	0850	198th, B/3/21, 0813H vic BT094234, rec'd SA and AW fire from N & SE. Res: 1 US WHA (evac). Arty called, unit sweeping area now.
8	0910	11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, 0851H vic BS708822, eng'd 2 VC, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 VC CIA.
9	0925	11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, 0910H vic BS688782, detained 3 VCS.
10	0930	1/1, B/1/1, 0910H vic BT285290, found 1x30 lb mine, TNT, blew in place. Left crater 4' x 6'.
11	0935	11th, TOC, CA of B & D Co's, 4/3, to vic BS688804, completed as follows: D Co, 1st lift complete 0837H, cold LZ D Co, 2nd lift complete 0850H, cold LZ B Co, 3rd lift complete 0903H, cold LZ B Co, 4th lift complete 0914H, cold LZ B Co, 5th lift complete 0924H, cold LZ B Co, 6th lift complete 0934H, cold LZ CA of B & D complete 0934H.
12	0935	11th, 174 Avn gunships with 4/3, 0920H vic BS699795, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA, 1xM-1 carbine CIA.
13	0948	11th, R/3/1, 0925H vic BS746422, found approx 1000 lbs rice buried in the ground. Will evac.
14	0950	1/1, TOC, 0830H, requested AO ext into ROK AO for F/8 Cav elements only. Reason: 18-20 VC evaded into this area, there are more than that in that location. AO ext: from boundary at BT140507, NE along S bank of river to BT167526, then S along W bank of river to boundary at BT168496. Time: ASAP until 211800H. ROK's approved: CPT Coggershall. III MAF approved: LTC Schoening. Passed to 1/1 Cav 0944H.
15	1003	198th, D/1/6, 1003H vic BT244146, BT255152, reported receiving fire from ARVN troops. Contacted Tam Ky, SP Courtney said the 2nd ARVN were doing the firing, the unit was Company 99, 4/6 Regt. The ARVN's have stopped firing.
16	1015	198th, C/5/46, CA, 1st lift, LZ 0940H, cold LZ. Complete 1008H vic BT490000.
17	1035	198th, B/1/6, 1022H vic BT189104, eng'd 1 NVA wearing green uniform, pistol belt, pistol. Res: 1 NVA KIA, CIA 1x9mm pistol, SN023967, 3x9mm magazines.
18	1045	11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, 0840H vic BS705805, detained 1 VCS, no ID, wpns, or documents.
19	1115	G-3, 1st Mar Div reports road open to DaNang from Cau-Lau River. Div Engr report road open from LZ Baldy to Cau Lau River. Informed 196th they can move convoy north.
20	1020	(delayed entry) 11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, 0815H, BS708822, ref journal entry #8, detainee is a Finance Chief and he stated that there are 300 VC of 48th Bn located at BS7080. 11th Bde will send troops to check area out.
21	1120	11th, A/3/1, 1000H vic BS766558, eng'd 1 VC who evaded into a bunker, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA, Medevac.
22	1120	11th, C&C acft, 3/1, 1045H vic BS775570, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA, 2xM26 HG CIA.
23	1130	11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, 1115H vic BS724810, eng'd 2 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
24	1132	1/1, F/8 Cav, inf plat inserted 1100H vic BT2542. 1215H: Inf plat extracted.
25	1137	1/1, A/1/1, 1132H vic BT223426, obs & eng'd 3 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA, 2 VC WIA/CIA.
26	1203	198th, 1/20, 0950H vic BT011367, RF patrol hit mine, res: 1 RF KHA, 4 RF WHA (evac).
27	1205	198th, TOC, convoy departed for DaNang 1203H.
28	1217	11th, B/3/1, 1200H vic BS810440, detained 1 VCS evading.
29	0955	TF Roach, D/1/46, BT462072, detained 1 VCS evading.
30	1030	Information elicited from refugees and detainees captured vicinity BT141080 and being screened at Chu Lai Collection Point indicated that there are both NVA and VC located at Nui Genh Gai Mtn and Doung Ba Pho Mtn in the Rung Da jungle near Hamlet #5, Phuoc An (V)m Tien Phuoc (D), vic BT1408. One refugee stated that the last (continued)

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30	1030	(continued) time he saw the NVA and VC was about 15 days ago. A detainee stated that during "TET" he saw one hundred NVA and VC in Doung Ba Pho mtn. He said that the unit designation was Unit 37. Further interrogation and screening is being performed.
31	1100	196th, C-123's departed LZ Baldy: 1-0852H, 2-0908H, 3-0917H, 4-0928H, 5-0934H, 6-1041H, 7-1128H, 8-1132H, 9-1229H, 10-1350H. Lift completed with 44,000 lbs and 208 pax being lifted.
32	1129	11th, LRRP Margie & Marie were inserted at 1120H. One team member of Margie was injured on the insertion and the team was extracted.
33	1218	11th, TOC, request AO extension from boundary at BS7460 to BS7457, then to BS7760. Time: 211200H to 241800H. Request based on intel info that VC are in that area. Will send in A/3/1 to check out. 1235H, 2d ARVN notified, SGT Futrell. Approved by CG, approved by 2d ARVN. 11th Bde notified (MAJ Davidson).
34	1233	11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, 1105H vic BS698792, detained 1 VCS evading.
35	1233	11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, 1130H vic BS714821, detained 1 VCS evading. CIA 1xfield pack, 1xM26 HG.
36	1400	198th, A/1/20, 201935H vic BT042391. Ref journal entry #74, 20 Apr 68, add 4 US WHA (minor).
37	1412	FSE, B/1/14, 1200H, B/1/14 moved to BT439075 with 5 tubes. Unit is laid and ready to fire.
38	1413	11th. C&C acft, 3/1, 0757H vic BS778547, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA.
39	1426	196th, CPT Witt, request for C-123 acft for movement of 3/21 on 22 Apr 68. Want acft beginning at 1000H: 495 pax, 60,000 lbs cargo for A-B-C Co's, 3/21, 34 pax from Bde HQ with 1/4-ton and trailer.
40	1455	11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, 1445H vic BS712801, detained 1 VCS evading. Mil age, no ID. Evac to LZ Dottie for interrogation.
41	1125	(delayed entry) TF Roach, E/5/46, 1120H vic BS522906, while securing PZ for C16 of 5/46, started moving NE on sweep vic BS522906. Got into area on mine field or BT, three detonations. 1 US KHA, 8 litter, 2 ambulatory, 2 wpns destroyed. BT possibly made from C-ration cans. Further info: Total so far: 2 US KHA, 9 US WHA (evac), 8 US WHA (minor).
42	1538	TF Roach, D/5/46, completed extraction to LZ Gator 1530H.
43	1556	TF Roach, H/17 Cav, 1535H vic BT317144, on way from Hill 68, 1 track hit mine. Res: 2 US KHA, 6 US WHA (evac). 7 men on track, 1 man on inside, type of mine unk.
44	1615	11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, 1405H vic BS718822, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA.
45	1702	11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, 1600H vic BS729803, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA.
46	1708	FSE, D/3/82, 1205H, departed TAOR by convoy with 4 tubes.
47	1718	CLDC, effective 1800H, alert condition White.
48	1737	TF Roach, CAP 125, time unk, eng'd 2 VC, res: 1 USMC WHA (evac), neg enemy casualty. VC fled into hills after fire fight.
49	1830	1/1, F/8 Cav, 1735H vic BT155552, acft took 1 hit, 75-100 rds fired. 1815H: rec'd 15 to 20 more rds.
50	1724	(delayed entry) TF Roach, F/5/46, BS522906 at 1120H, ref journal entry #41, change casualties to read: 3 US KHA, 10 US WHA (evac), 8 US WHA (minor).
51	1745	(delayed entry) 1/1, TOC, ref journal entry #14, request 1 hr ext on AO ext from ROK. OK until 211900H, passed to 1/1 1747H.
52	1100	(delayed entry) 198th, request AO ext from 220600 to 231800H Apr 68. From BT133504 to BT1480. Want to conduct search in area by Cav Trp (-). Passed to 1/1 Cav, approved by 1/1 Cav. Area included: BT133504 S Bde boundary to BT148434 to BT165412 - road junction. E along road to river 215436, follow river NW to BT193477 to BT168495, 133505 northern boundary 1/1 Cav and 2d ROK. Approved by CG.
53	1825	TF Roach, B/5/46 Inf, BT654042 at 1820H, 1 plat from B/5/46 rec'd AW fire and are returning fire. Called arty, neg results.
54	1830	198th, request ext on time on AO ext from ROK's, due to expire 211800H. Center of mass of area is BT155512. Request ext until 221800H. Passed request to ROK's. 2010H, rec'd approval. Msg sent to III MAF on ext.
55	1830	1/1 Cav, CG gave approval to destroy enemy location between BT155522 and BT165520. 1/1 Cav (F/8 Cav) rec'd fire from area. Was village area and they spotted 50 MAM in green uniforms. Requested air strike on village area. CG contacted and approved air strike. CG directed that area be checked in morning. Passed approval to 1/1 Cav. 198th will have area tomorrow to check. They were informed of request to check area.
56	1930	1st CAG, 1-114, 277283-275320, at 1500H RF Co was taking mortar fire. Element from 114 was moving through same area. Rec'd 75-100 rds AK-47 fire from village of Thach Tan and tree line in front of village. Res: NCD. No VC casualties.
57	1935	1st CAG, CAP 136, BS573937 - BS582948 at 1530H, people informed PF of 3 VC w/wpns who blew themselves up with homemade mines. Res: 2 VC KIA. Wpns not found.
58	1955	198th, B/5/46, BT652046 at 1905H, routine Dustoff called for man hit with a piece of shrapnel from arty rd that landed approx. 150-200 meters from patrol's location.

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	0005	1st CAF HQ's, CAP 136, at 212045H, BS573946, element made contact with 40 VC. Eng'd w/SA and M-79. Res: 1 VC KIA, 1xFrench MG, SN 11811, 1xM-16, SN 635322, 3xM26 HG's, and 30xrds AK-47 CIA.
3	0718	198th, C/1/20, 0700H vic AT973333, rec'd sniper fire from above location, obs 8 VC. Arty fired, sniper fire ceased 0717H, neg casualties or damage, neg enemy assessment.
4	0732	11th, C/4/3, 0715H vic BS507878, rec'd AW fire, res: 1 US WHA (evac).
5	0745	198th, B/1/6, 0726H vic BT179115, obs 2 VC evading from bunker, eng'd, res: 2 VC KIA, no ID or documents.
6	0807	1/1, F/8 Cav, 0800H vic BT221439, eng'd 2 VC evading, res: 2 VC KIA.
7	0807	1/1, F/8 Cav, 0800H vic BT205472, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
8	0820	11th, LRRP Margie, inserted vic BS668470 at 0814H.
9	0840	1/1, F/8 Cav, 0830H vic BT290348, eng'd 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
10	0840	1/1, F/8 Cav, 0830H vic BT295339, eng'd 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
11	0840	1/1, F/8 Cav, 0830H vic BT245162, eng'd 3 MAM evading, res: 3 VC KIA.
12	0846	1/1, F/8 Cav, 0845H vic BT245162, eng'd 2 MAM evading, res: 2 VC KIA.
13	0855	11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, 0842H vic BS517875, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA. Also was some secondary explosion on him when engaged (possibly HG).
14	0913	198th, B/3/21, air movement to LZ Baldy: PZ, BT087217, 0843H. LZ, LZ Baldy, 0904H, complete 0904H.
15	0914	198th, A/1/6 air movement: PZ, BT174114, 0828H. LZ, BT087217, 0853H, complete 0853H. 3rd lift rec'd sniper fire, neg casualties or damage.
16	0915	198th, B/1/52, CA to vic BT160250, 1st lift, PZ 0804H, LZ 0816H, LZ rec'd sniper fire. CA complete 0842H.
17	0916	198th, A/1/52, air movement to LZ Bowman, complete 0834H.
18	0925	198th, D/1/52, 0857H vic BT090386, found in a hedgerow and 7 huts: 2,500 lbs rice, 10xsets black PJ's, 1xUS 2.75 rocket case, some documents. Will evac.
19	0925	198th, Rcn/1/52, 0900H vic BT154499, eng'd 10 VC evading, results unk, continued mission.
20	0948	1/1, C/1/6, extraction complete 0945H. Air moved to vic BT019269.
21	0950	TF Roach, A/1/14 Arty, completed move from LZ Chippewa to LZ Gator 0940H.
22	0955	11th, C/4/3, 0920H vic BS526880, detonated AP mine (Bouncing Betty type). Res: 1 US KHA, 1 US WHA (evac).
23	0956	11th, C/3/1, 0930H vic BS798386, detained 8 VCS.
24	1015	1st Mar Div, FSCC, ref journal entry #62, journal for 21 Apr 68. AO extension from 220700H-222000H Apr 68. BT010517 to BT1050. AT9950 to AT990533. This area previously cleared by 2b ROK. FSE has it plotted (CPT Krug). MAJ Murray, RSCC, 1st Mar Div, stated any fires would be cleared through Americal FSE.
25	1029	198th, B/1/46, 0920H vic BT227113, had 1 US WHA (evac) from unk cause. MTF.
26	1045	39th Engr, B Co, 0915H vic BS613896, during mine sweep, rec'd fire unk size enemy force. Rec'd AW and SA fire, called gunships & infantry reaction force. Returned fire, continued mine sweep. Neg casualties or damage, no enemy assessment. 1046H: called 11th TOC, 4/3 had sent a reaction force. Neg results. Reported that 3 VN civilians had been killed as a result of VC fire. Gunships are in area, Aero Scouts inf plat on ground w/inf plat from 4/3. Neg results at this time.
27	1058	11th, D/4/3, 1030H vic BS665823, detained 1 VCS, no ID card, approx 19 yrs old.
28	1100	26th Engr, E Co, 1045H vic BT531036, 1 US on rock pile (stockpile of rocks) at above location rec'd 2 rds sniper fire. Neg casualties or damage. Did not return fire.
29	1045	1/1, TOC, have AO ext approved by 2d ARVN and from CG, from BT227172 to BT260189 to BT260150. F/8 Cav spotted movement in area. Time of ext 221000H - 221800H Apr 68.
30	1110	198th, D/1/52, 1100H vic BT092392, receiving hvy AW fire from vic BT090386. Called gunships and arty. Contact broken 1145H, NCD.
31	1120	198th, TOC, movements complete as of 1120H: B/1/6: PZ, BT239142, 0917H. LZ, Bowman, 0951H. A/3/21: Not complete C/3/21: PZ, BT019269, 1918H. LZ, Baldy, 1002H. HHC/3/21: PZ, LZ Center, 0957H. LZ, Baldy, 1057H.
32	1124	39th Engr, C Co, 1000H vic BS715602, rec'd sniper fire from vic BS725602, returned AW and SA fire. Res: 1 US WHA (minor), cont'd mine sweep.

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33	1205	198th. B/3/21 departed LZ Baldy for Camp Evans 1157H.
34	1230	198th, C/1/52, 1205H vic BT125504, obs 5 VC, evaded and moved W across river. Eng'd, res: 2 VC KIA.
35	1308	11th, S-2 (LTC Blackledge), LRRP Margie did not make 1100H or 1300H contact. They are going to look for them. 1317H, contact has been regained.
36	1318	11th, A/3/1, 1115H vic BS760558, obs 4-5 VC, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 VC WIA/CIA, 2 VCS detained. CIA 2xM26 HG's.
37	1319	11th, A/3/1, 1310H vic BS769549, found 1xK-44 carbine, SN H48573, res: 1 IWC.
38	1330	198th, D/1/52, 1130H vic BT083387, obs 1 MAM moving W, challenged, refused to halt, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
39	1343	11th, A/3/1, 1330H vic BS761558, found 1xK-44 buried in sand, res: 1 IWC, SN J3327.
40	1310	11th, TOC, request APD mission on 23 Apr 68. AO BS6550, BS7151, BS6638, BS7038. Req acct at Duc Pho 230800H.
41	1400	11th, TOC, request to keep tracker dog team through 23 Apr 68. 1425H, LT Bell, Tracker Team CO okayed request. 1426H, passed to 11th TOC (SGT Stevens).
42	1430	1/1, F/8 Cav, 1425H vic BT175472, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
43	1430	1/1, F/8 Cav, 1305H vic BT228444, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
44	1453	11th, 4.2 Mortar Section, 3/1, 1430H vic BS740542, BS746552, BS747551, fired 3 separate missions for Mo Duc PF's. Res: 1 VC KIA for each mission, total of 3 VC KIA. Mo Duc Advisor stated that 4.2 Mortar Section would be credited with 3 VC KIA.
45	1630	11th, A/3/1, 1620H vic BS745565, eng'd 4 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA, other 3 fled.
46	1710	CLDC, effective 221800H Apr, alert condition White.
47	1725	198th, A/1/1, 1/52, BT108424 at 1648H, tank in convoy from LZ Ross to LZ Baldy hit mine, est to be 155mm rd. Neg casualties. Tank towed to LZ Baldy. 1705H, tank hit mine, same location, neg damage to tank, 1 WHA (M), TC blown off tank.
48	1735	LRRP Marie, at 1610H, found VC base camp, mortar position. While checking area, heard VC returning, also heard dogs. Requested gunships. Aero Scouts from Dottie and FAC went into area, gunships worked area over. LRRP Marie presently enroute to PZ, will be extracted in about 10 minutes. MTF.
48	1755	(duplicate spot report for item 48 in journal) 11th, A/3/1 Inf, BS769561 at 1715H, eng'd 2 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 VC WIA, detained.
49	1755	11th, LRRP Marie, at 1747H, BS686486, extracted.
50	1757	198th, A/2/1, BT112427 at 1730H, tank in convoy being towed, hit mine. Res: 1 WHA (evac) broken wrist.
51	1800	11th, gunships, A/3/1, BS755577 at 1700H, eng'd 4 VC, res: 4 VC KIA.
52	1800	11th, A/3/1, BS760600 at 1700H, 1 VCS detained, 1 evading.
53	1807	11th, B/4/21, BS933245 at 1730H, 1 US fell in a punji pit. 1 WHA minor.
54	1815	39th Engr, C/39, BS694463, BS695642 at 1800H, rec'd 3 rds sniper fire. Did not return, ret'd to HQ's.
55	1900	198th, CPT Witt, there were 14 sorties flown by C-123's: 33,450/6s and 487 Pax's and 11,140 lbs. MAJ Bowden has 5 sorties laid on to begin at 0800H. Want to compliment 15th Aerial Post Mobility Team #2 under SSG Windham.
56	1909	11th, LRRP Margie, 1900H sitrep-no change.
57	1950	198th, B/1/46, at 0920H, ref journal entry #25. The one WHA (E) is amended to read 1 WHA (M), caused by HG fragments.
58	1445	(delayed entry) 198th, SGT Wilson, would like to extend 1/52 AO ext until 231800H in ROK AO. 1448H, passed to ROK's. 1615H, SP Pierce, 2d ROK, states AO ext approved until 231800H.
59	1910	1/1, B/1/1, BT274193 at 1830H, ACAV hit mine. 5 WHA (evac). Vehicle was a total loss.
60	2020	1st CAG, CAP 138, 522928 at 0600H, swept a village. PF's started shouting and patrol shot in same direction. Entered vill and cleared out people. Some escaped. PF's burned all huts, 4 people identified by PF's as VC. Res: 4 VCS detained, some documents CIA.
61	2030	196th, SGT Brenen at 1035H. C-123 A/C departed LZ Baldy: 1-1017H, 16 pax, 2-1034H, 45 pax, 3-1043H, 50 pax, 4-1157H, 50 pax, 5-1330H, 13 pax, 6-1405H, 24 pax, 7-1408H, 42 pax, 8-1452H, 40 pax, 9-1551H, 15 pax, 10-1600H, 48 pax, 11-1610H, 49 pax, 12-1630H, 35 pax, 13-1815H, 49 pax.
62	2240	198th, R/1/20, BT045382 at 2215H, rec'd 1 mortar rd inside perimeter. NCD. Obs flashes, called in 5 rds arty at BT040377, 5 rds 049381.
63	2400	Opns Summary: Americal Div units cont'd combat opns in zone w/light contact reported & cont'd realignment of forces. In Opn Wheeler/Wallowa, 3/21 Inf (-) was moved from their AO to LZ Baldy (BT113453) and then moved (continued)

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	0145	TF Roach, 1/46, BT462072 at 0105H, 82mm fired 3000 meters from position. Rds landed on N-NE side of hill. Rec'd 10-12 rds, none in perimeter. NCD. Fired arty at coord BT455048, 454054, 450014, 454013. Started 0105H. Checked fire 0122H. No SA.
3	0220	TF Roach, CAP 135, BS712972 at 0215H, scrambled gunships and flare ship. CAP team receiving satchel charges and SA fire. Lost contact with CAP team. A/5/46 cannot contact CAP team. A/5/46 sending reaction force. Still receiving satchel charges and SA fire. Gunships not on station yet.
4	0249	FSE, reported Cherry Hill was being hit. All rds hit outside of Cherry Hill.
5	0250	Tower 41, obs what he believed to be rocket flashes.
6	0251	Tower 42, obs impact at airfield. Thought to be rockets.
7	0253	Yellow alert by CLDC.
8	0255	14th Avn, incoming rds. III MAF notified.
9	0258	Rockets launched from AZ 265°. Landing AZ of 300° reported by Tower 52.
10	0300	MAG-13, rec'd 2 salvos of 3 rockets each. Confirmed to be rockets at this time. 1 rd on flight line, 1 near quarters area. Rest in between.
11	0303	Tracers going out Tower 14. Vicinity of Rock Quarry, believe it may be Marines.
12	0305	23rd MP Co 85%.
13	0305	CAP contact broken.
14	0310	FSE notified that TF Roach suspected rocket position 430009.
15	.031	G-2 100%
16	0310	MAG-13, 6 rockets total. No GF other than rockets.
17	0315	BT430009-BT432010, suspected enemy rocket positions. Arty fired on these two grids at 0258H.
18	0315	All units notified. No incoming at this time.
19	0321	Cherry Hill, 3/18 Arty receiving incoming at this time.
20	0323	CLDC reports Cherry Hill receiving mortars. Reported by 3/18. Landing outside perimeter. Friendly arty-NOT incoming.
21	0325	Sub-sector III 100%.
22	0326	Sub-sector II 85%.
23	0326	MAG-13, no casualties or damage. 2 rockets came in and 2 rockets went over.
24	0329	TOC reaction force ready.
25	0330	Support command 85%.
26	0331	MAG-13, thinks about 10 to 12 impacted between MAG-12 and them.
27	0332	MAG-13, 1 office damaged and 1 received room damage. 7 rds in MAG-13 area.
28	0333	III MAF, notified of minor damage to bldgs. And of no casualties. 6-10 unk size rocket fire.
29	0336	Support command 100% alert.
30	0337	Notified Commanding General of above events.
31	0340	A/1/46 notified that they are secondary reaction force at 0340H.
32	0344	Reports that all sub-sectors are at 100% alert.
33	0347	CLDC, most rds hit around control tower.
34	0347	FSE, gunships in rocket belt. FSE shooting in close, counter mortar fire. 5x8" rds on each of 2 target plots.
35	0357	Green alert declared by CLDC. Notified CG, C/S, General Young, and III MAF.
36	0400	All sub units notified of Green alert status.
37	0400	11th, MACV Duc Pho, 800395 at 0325H, PF's eng'd VC leaving village at above coord. They were carrying sewing machine, fatigues. Res: 3 VC KIA (C), 1xThompson, 1xM-1, 1xcarbine CIA.
38	0415	TF Roach, gunships couldn't work in suspected rocket positions because of weather. Arty now firing on suspected routes of withdrawal.
39	0630	CLDC (LT Hernandez) back to normal daylight condition.

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40	0708	CLDC, confirms 15x122mm rockets.
41	0750	CLDC, CPT Vivanco, ref journal entry #40 above, a total of 17x122mm rockets impacted on CLDC during attack 230250H Apr 68.
42	0808	TF Roach, A/1/46, plat CA vic BT442022, PZ 0754H, LZ 0800H, LZ cold.
43	0810	11th, LRRP Irene, inserted vic BS672398, 0710H.
44	0915	Americal MID, 221600H Apr 68. On 22 Apr 68, the following information was received from a CI Section informant who has furnished reliable information in the past. A tunnel located in Hamlet #7, Hoa Binh (H), Ky Hoa (V), Ly Tin (D), has been used recently by local VC infrastructure from Ky Hoa Island. Members of the local Sapper squad have been known to use this tunnel. Source has no knowledge of wpns, documents, or rice being stored in the tunnel. Source has no prior knowledge of when the tunnel will be used by the VC. The tunnel is large enough to hold approx 10 people. The tunnel is located behind Tran Sahn's house, coord BT455148. Sanh is the mother of three known VC members. Three men often stay in the tunnel. Nguyen Cham, Village Political Agent, Ky Hoa Village, is known to use this tunnel. Source is willing to lead US personnel to the tunnel entrance. The tunnel is located in a known VC controlled area. Rating C-3.
45	0920	11th, C&C acft, 3/1, 0905H vic BS745565, detained 1 VCS. Reason: had received SA fire in that area.
46	0945	198th, LRRP Sue, inserted vic BT041449 at 0939H.
47	0855	(delayed entry) CLDC, Sub-sector VII will blow their siren (test) at 1300H.
48	0855	(delayed entry) TF Roach, AO has spotted 5xI-shaped trenched and 1xL-shaped trench behind the five. They are freshly dug and believed to have been the firing positions for the rocket attack on Chu Lai at 0300H 23 Apr 68. This position is not the same as the arty plotted as the probable site. The element from 1/46 in the area will sweep trench area.
49	0930	19th, Ref C-123 lifts for 196th Bde. 1st lift, 0852H, 2d lift, 0856H, 3d lift, 0914H, 4th lift, 0929H. The completion time of the 196th is 0929H. All lifts are out.
50	0930	11th, B & D/4/3, CA to vic BS777845: 1st lift, D Co, 0814H, 2d lift, D Co, 0839H, 3d lift, D Co, 0839H, 4th lift, B Co, 0853H, 5th lift, B Co, 0855H, 6th lift, B Co, 0908H, 7th lift, B Co, 0921H, all LZ's cold.
51	0910	198th, B/1/52, vic BT148512 at 0845H, found am M-16 rifle on a river bank, SN 779427, rifle partially destroyed by arty fire.
52	0955	23d Med Bn, SGT Reedy, reports that VN came to Chu Lai Gate with note in English saying that people in Ky Sanh needed medical assistance. Asked to have it checked out. Passed to MAJ McNulty, G-5. He said he would check it out and take the necessary action.
53	222115	(delayed entry) 198th TOC, 1/52 requests that AO extension into ROK AO and 1/1 Cav AO which is due to expire at 231800H be extended to 241800H. 222130H: ROK ext request passed to CPT Coggershall, LNO. 222225H: ROK's approved extension until 241800H (CPT Coggershall). 222135H: ext request passed to 1/1 Cav. 222138H: 1/1 Cav approves ext until 241800H. Approved by CG, msg sent to III MAF 231035H. 198th notified of approval of ext request.
54	1030	1st CAG, CAP 135, 230145H vic BS712972, BS714975. CAP 135 was hit by a force est 150-200 VC. VC set up an attack around CAP 135, used bangalore torpedoes to cut through wire, during this time they were also firing mortars, 57mm RR, B-40 rockets, and satchel charges, plus HG and SA fore. VC got up to wire but did not come into inner compound, VC came from SE, S, and SW by means of boats, using diving gear, and on foot. Friendly casualties: 3 PF KHA, 12 civ WHA, 7 PF WHA. Enemy casualties: 11 VC KIA, one of which was a VC officer. CIA 2xM-16, 1xAK-47, 1xBAR, 30xChicom HG, 1xB-40 RL, 1xM-1 carbine, 1x.45 cal pistol. Also some documents.
55	1037	198th, A/1/20, vic BT083402 at 0943H, 960 lbs rice in stone crocks, hidden in cattle stalls, also located 1xbicycle, will attempt to evac rice and bicycle.
56	1040	11th, B/4/3, vic BS787844 at 1013H, detained 1 VC evading.
57	1045	11th, A/3/1, vic BS785514 at 1030H, 1 US WHA (M), cause: BT HG, no Dustoff required.
58	1045	11th, R/3/1, vic BS776455 at 1020H, eng'd 1 VC in a bunker, res: 1 VC KIA, also eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA.
59	1045	11th, C/3/1, vic BS835349 at 1035H, eng'd 5 VC evading, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA, no Dustoff required.
60	1055	198th, C/1/52, vic BT118488 at 0850H, found 2 hand-made electric pressured mines, they were buried on the road, each weighing 20 lbs. Mines were placed on top of each other, they will be evac to LZ Baldy.
61	1055	198th, A/1/6, vic BT073211 at 1015H, eng'd 3 VC evading, 1xChinese carbine CIA, 1960 model, SN B3548, unit still searching area.
62	1110	198th, B/1/46, vic BT178108 at 1050H, eng'd 1xmale, 14 yrs of age, VC WIA/CIA, wearing green uniform, will be dusted off to LZ Baldy.
63	1110	11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, vic BS756832 at 1054H, found approx 10 tons of salt, will evac.
64	1113	11th, 174 Avn gunships, A/3/1, 1100H, vic BS780510, rec'd SA fire and eng'd unk size enemy force. Res: 6 VC KIA (5 for gunships, 1 for A/3/1). CIA 1xcarbine, SN 4218146.

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65	1141	11th, B/4/3, 1100H vic BS783846, detained 5 VCS evading. Will interrogate.
66	1206	11th, A/3/1, 1200H vic BS780510, eng'd 4 VC, res: 3 VC KIA, 1 VC WIA/CIA.
67	1217	TF Roach, A/1/46, 1200H vic BT439022, found 6 launch sites, 6 trenches. Found 14 fuze cones, 15 plastic plugs for fuze well, 15x4" plugs for forward end of mortar section. All for 122mm rocket. 9 plastic caps for rear of warhead, 8 plastic caps for rear of motor section, 5 canvas fuze carriers, 3 igniter plugs, 2 small canvas bags, 1 Chicom HG.
68	1220	11th, A/4/21, CA to vic BS858355, 1st lift 1159H, 2d lift 1214H, 3d lift 1224H, 4th lift 1234H. All lifts into cold LZ, complete 1234H.
69	1235	11th, A/3/1, 1230H vic BS780510, found 1xM-1 rifle, SN 4259709.
70	1235	1/1, C/1/1, 1235H vic BT235235, eng'd 4 VC in a tunnel. Res: 4 VC KIA, CIA 1xM-1 carbine.
71	1307	TF Roach, 1/46, LT Bibb, requests a Tracker Dog Team to work in area where they found rocket positions. Tracker dog team tasked to provide support, will do. Passed to TF Roach.
72	1312	11th, A/3/1, 1300H vic BS789513, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
73	1315	198th, D/1/52, 1230H vic BT090400, obs 10 VN in rice paddy, one ran into woods, eng'd with SA. Neg results.
74	1324	11th, Rcn/4/21, vic BS872328 at 1321H, CA complete at 1321H, LZ cold.
75	1342	1/1, B/1/1, vic BT253305 at 1325H, found 1 AP mine, 3 US HG w/firing mechanism removed, 1 trigger housing group, 1 M-79 rd, 1 VC canteen cover, 3 gauze bandages, 2 VC powder pouches, 1 VC gas mask, 1 long rice sock, 1 US canteen cup, 1 cardboard covering for 81mm rd. Will evac to CO.
76	1350	11th, R/3/1, vic BS775477 at 1330H, detained 1 VC as he was evading.
77	1350	TF Roach, A/5/46, vic BS681955 at 1235H, 1 US stepped on a mine, res: 1 US WHA (evac).
78	1351	11th, B/3/1, vic BS807427 at 1335H, detained 1 VC as he was evading.
79	1352	39th Engr, C Co, vic BS732529 at 0915H, VN turned in 1 81mm rd. Blew in place.
80	1353	39th Engr, C Co, vic BS722582 at 0935H, HG found buried in shoulder of road. Blew in place.
81	1359	11th, B/4/21, vic BS912282, CA, 1st lift TD 1329H, LZ cold. 2d lift 1344H, LZ cold, 3rd lift 1355H, also cold LZ. Complete at 1355H.
82	1403	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT183178 at 1400H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA (C).
83	1445	11th, C/4/3, vic BS528853 at 1405H, 2 US WHA (E) from a Bouncing Betty BT.
84	1503	11th, R/3/1, vic BS787454 at 1455H, detained 3 VC trying to evade.
85	1600	11th Bde, the survey teams that are working on Hwy #1 are now working in the 11th Bde AO. It has been arranged w/11th, MAJ Davidson, TF Roach SGT Batiasi, that TF Roach will secure party to Binh Son Bridge where 11th will pick up parties at 0930H. The 11th has the responsibility of security until the parties are returned to Binh Son Bridge at 1600H. TF Roach will then provide security to the Chu Lai Base. LT CMRD McCall, CL3406 notified of arrangements and said teams would be ready for pick up at Chu Lai Base at 0900H. The soil test team will be operating in the 198th AO for about a week.
86	1545	11th, C/4/2, vic BS527853 at 1511H, element hit mine (Bouncing Betty Type), res: 2 US KHA.
87	1635	11th, B/4/3, vic BS788844 at 1644H, found a tunnel, the following was CIA: detained 3 VC, 1 male, 2 female, 2xM-1 carbines, SN's 5669336 & 2024960, 1xM-1 rifle, SN 5669336, 1xshotgun 12 gauge single-shot, 6xM-1 carbine magazines loaded, 1xM26 HG, 4xChicom HG, 1xstar cluster, 4xponchos (Chicom), 2xpistol belts US type, 1xmosquito net, 1xfield pack, 1xClaymore container, 1xset of gray clothes.
88	1635	11th, B/4/21, extracted at 1626H.
89	1538	11th, A/4/21, vic BS812383 at 1527H, extracted to LZ Bronco.
90	1640	11th, B/3/1 Inf, BS805431 at 1620H, detained 1 VCS, had altered ID card.
91	1653	CLDC, effective 1800H, alert condition White.
92	1710	198th, B/1/20, AT972337 at 1630H, rec'd AW fire, gunships scrambled. Neg casualties, neg results. Contact broken 1700H.
93	1717	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT184184 at 0830H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
94	1728	198th, B/1/46, BT1812 at 1715H, receiving sniper fire. Arty firing mission at this time.
95	1900	Avn, at 1900H, many long boats headed in northerly direction w/male personnel, 2 miles from mouth of Song Tra Bong River. TF Roach notified. Gunship obs them now, report 50 boats about 1 mile out in bay at BT615032. Called Swift Boats, they will check area. At 2020H Swift Boats report 68 boats, initially w/lights out at BT6105. There are another 50 boats w/lights at BT6006. Swift Boats will continue to check out.

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	0649	11th, D/3/1, 0645H, vic BS723570, security force for Bridge #129 attacked by unk number VC at 0425H. Res: 2 US KHA, 3 US WHA (evac), 1 US WHA (minor). Bridge is okay, there were 8 personnel total in security force, they received grenades, SA, and possible mortar fire.
3	0740	TF Roach, B/5/46, 231500H vic BT672010, US stepped on a BT, res: 1 US WHA (evac).
4	1005	198th, B/1/20, 0856H ay AT983316, rec'd sniper fire from 300M W, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, CIA 1xcarbine, SN 5690367, also some documents.
5	1055	11th, C/3/1, 1030H vic BS795405, detained 3 VCS evading.
6	1055	11th, B/3/1, 1040H vic BS819442, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA.
7	1055	11th, B/4/3, 0837H vic BS775842, element hit BT and then another 150M away. One was M16 mine and the other was M12A4 mine on a sugar cane stalk. Res: 9 US WHA (evac).
8	1125	11th, A/3/1, 1020H vic BS786506, detained 1 VCS.
9	1137	11th, C/3/1, 1115H vic BS777388, eng'd several VC evading, res: 3 VC KIA, 3 VC CIA.
10	1145	39th Engr, C Co, 1000H vic BS723598, rec'd sniper fire from above location, returned fire. Neg results.
11	1215	196th, B/1/46, vic BT165124 at 1130H, 2 platoon rec'd heavy AW fire, contact broken 1205H, neg casualties.
12	1220	11th, B/4/3, vic BS787843 at 1159H, found 1xM-1 carbine w/3 full magazines in a hut, SN 5116349.
13	1120	198th, C/1/52, vic BT113428 at 1300H, while making road sweep rec'd heavy sniper fire, contact broken at 1310H. 1 VN civilian was wounded & was dusted off.
14	1235	198th, D/1/46, vic BT186113 at 1205H, spotted 2 males carrying homemade packs & wearing black clothes. Engaged, 2 VC KIA & 1xSKS SN C1743 CIA, age was 15 & 40 yrs old, in packs they had rice & ID cards. The ID cards did not belong to the VC.
15	1300	198th, 1/20, relayed for 1/20 who relayed a message from 2 Marine recon teams. Teams message was that they would be withdrawn from their AO on 29 Apr. The 2 teams are Elk Skin & Grim Reaper.
16	1310	198th, D/1/52, vic BT072377 at 1240H, rec'd heavy SA & AW fire from a village at above coord, unit is moving into village at this time. Res: at this time is 1 VC KIA (C). At 1320H still in contact, 1st Cav platoon on way to reinforce. Contact broke at 1340H. Still checking area.
17	1337	TF Roach, A/5/46, vic BS697958 at 1311H, detained 2 female VC suspects, they were carrying rice & corn out of the village.
18	1405	198, resupply ship 1/20, vic BT005318 at 1331H, rec'd AW fire approx. 30 rds. 3 rds hit ship, 2 hit gas tank, 1 caused oil leak, was able to continue to Ross.
19	1408	11th Bde, probably will extract LRRP Margie late in afternoon. They are not getting any sightings. Also out of food, and several of the men are not feeling well.
20	1417	11th, C/3/1, vic BS773409 at 1410H, eng'd 5 VC evading, 1 VC KIA (C).
21	1445	11th, ref journal entry #7, change to read 2 KHA, 7 WHA (evac).
22	1515	198th, MAJ Sanders, Division convoy closed Ross 1505H vic BT027342.
23	1550	CLDC, effective 1800H tonight, alert condition White.
24	1542	26th Engr, B/26, vic BT082380 at 1230H, 2nd plat element finished road sweep and awaiting for 1st plat to close their position. Rec'd unk no. SA & AW fire. 1 WHA (M). Secured element from 1st plat, closed on enemy position, contact broken.
25	1600	198th, D/1/52, vic BT083381 at 1405H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA (C).
26	1558	11th, D/3/1, vic BS742580 at 1535H, eng'd 2 VC evading, 1 VC KIA (C), 1xM-1 carbine.
27	1620	11th, A/3/1, vic BS773525 at 1555H, eng'd unk size force w/wpn, 3 VC KIA, 4 VC CIA, 1 homemade wpn CIA.
28	1632	TF Roach, A/5/46, vic BS704958 at 1610H, rec'd AW & SA fire, called arty. 1620H, contact broken. Arty firing in area. Neg results, as of now.
29	1850	11th, C/4/3 Inf, BS535801 at 1836H, tripped BT. Res: 3 WHA €. BT was a 105mm rd.
30	1850	198th, 1/52, A/1/1, BT064365 at 1700H, 1 ACAV coming from Ross to Baldy hit mine. Res: 3 WHA €. Pulling APC back to Baldy. Moderate damage.
31	1856	11th, A/3/1, BS778530 at 1850H, eng'd 4 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
32	2130	TF Roach, 9th Marines, BT502035 at 2100H, took 1 HG and sniper fire. Neg damage or casualties.
33	2232	TF Roach, D/5/46, BT445045 at 2230H, receiving RR fire. Also rec'd several rds of 57 RR. 2 casualties (minor). 1 APC, 4504 NW of D position damaged by 1 RPG-7. Total of 4 rds fired. Casualties will not require evac. APC will be evac tomorrow.

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	0250	198th, 1/52, LZ Baldy, 2 rds mortar incoming. MTF. NCD.
3	0630	CLDC, normal daylight operating conditions effective at 0700H.
4	0645	TF Roach, D/5/46, vic BT445047 at 0630H, while moving out from NDP, found 2 B-40 rcts and 1 Chicom HG, will evac.
5	0705	198th, C/1/52, vic BT099449 at 0650H, 1 US KHA from 2nd Plat, C Co, from mined 105, results from a roving patrol.
6	0804	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT158327 at 0800H, obs 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
7	0830	1/1 Cav, 1/1 Cav request Fire Fly mission from BT345290 to BT200469, requested briefing at Hill 29 at 2030-2100H. Passed to Div Avn. 1/1 Cav cleared with Tam Ky and Thang Binh.
8	0835	11th Bde, CA for one squad of B/3/1 with one plat of PF's, LZ time was 0835H.
9	0843	198th, LRRP Jeanie, vic AT993404, LRRP Jeanie inserted at 0755H at above coord.
10	0903	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT181230 at 0855H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
11	0905	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT162240 at 0900H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
12	0920	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT201201 at 0918H, obs 1 MAM evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
13	0933	11th, Rcn/3/1, vic BT773462 at 0920H, detained 1 VCS evading.
14	0940	198th, TOC, one RF vehicle hit a mine on Tam Ky-Tien Phuoc Road. Res: 10 KIA, 7 WHA (evac).
15	0946	198th, TOC, vic BT141423 at 0945H, obs unk no. VC in open w/wpns. Requested team from F/8 Cav to cover the area because their guns were supporting the LRRP insertion. 1/52 CO was in a C&C on freq 65.2, closest friendly troops at BT138424. 1/1 Cav approved and sent troops at 0947H.
16	1015	11th, A/3/1, vic BS774549 at 1005H, 1 US WHA (minor), BT HG, routine Dustoff.
17	1016	11th, C/4/21, BS862346, 0933H-1011H, 1st lift 0933H, cold, 2nd lift 0946H, cold, 3rd lift 0958H, cold, 4th lift 1011H, cold, complete for C/4/21.
18	1023	TF Roach, A&D/1/46, A/1/46 air moved vic BT173114 complete at 0945H. D/1/46 extracted to Hill 69 completed at 0945H.
19	1035	11th, D/4/21, vic BS862346. 1st lift at 1029H, LZ cold. 2nd lift at 1040H, LZ cold. 3rd lift at 1051H, LZ cold.
20	1100	198th, Rcn/1/52, vic BT137422 at 0915H, obs 2 VC's, 1 was hiding a wpn in hedgerow, while still observing, a woman walked up & led them to a hut, eng'd w/81mm mortar and the VC evaded to the NE, eng'd w/SA, res: 1 VC KIA, 1xM-1 carbine CIA SN 7160060, captured 2xM26 HG, 1xUS trip flare, 1xUS poncho liner, 4xVC wore black PJ's, 2 wore green uniforms. Gunship eng'd target area.
21	1129	11th, B/3/1, vic BS815454 at 1115H, detained 1 VC suspect, who was hiding in a bunker, also in the bunker they found a 105mm rd rigged for a BT, and 1 PRC-25 battery. Will destroy 105 rd & battery.
22	1133	11th, C/4/21, vic BS913293 at 1045H, detained 2 VCS MAM.
23	1136	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT169471 at 1120H, obs & eng'd 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA (C).
24	1153	198th, R/1/52, vic BT141423 at 1110H, search of area of contact early this morning found in hedgerow, 1xRussian bolt action rifle, SN H-33533, 1xcleaning rod, 1xM26 HG, 20xphotos on VN males in khaki uniforms w/DI type hats.
25	1207	11th, D/3/1, vic BS755534 at 1150H, eng'd 3 VC evading, res: 2 VC KIA, 1 VC WIA/CIA. Also picked up a 3-band National radio.
26	1240	198th, B/1/20, vic AT965315 at 1136H, obs 2 VC w/wpns, eng'd, res: neg. Rec'd AW fire, res: 1 US WHA (evac).
27	1300	MID Casual, CI, 1100H, an estimated VC squad moved from Khuong Dai (H) Ky Khuong (V) to Dong Xuan (H) Ky Xuan (V), BT485115, during the night of 24 Apr 68. They transported several bamboo baskets (contents unk) and three crew served weapons of a canon type (probably recoilless rifles). The weapons were buried somewhere in Dong Xuan (H), exact location unknown. The members of the VC squad are scattered throughout the area surrounding the "sand ramp" for the purpose of scouting the "sand ramp" for an attack soon.
28	1345	198th, LRRP Jeanie, vic AT990399 at 1315H, made contact w/squad of VC, VC eng'd LRRP, neg casualties, gunships went out to extract LRRP.
29	1058	11th, Rcn/3/1, vic BS778482 at 1050H, 1 VC detained, evading.
30	1155	39th Engr, C Co, vic BS727556 at 0915H, VN turned in 3x40mm rds, destroyed in place.
31	1156	39th Engr, B Co, vic BS632818 at 1000H, VN turned in 56x60mm rds, 40xM26 grenades, 10x40mm rds, 3xClaymores, all destroyed.
32	1158	39th Engr, C Co, vic BS715602 at 1020H, SA sniper fire from BS718595, ret'd fire and continued mine sweep, res: negative casualties or damage.
33	1225	198th, C/1/6, vic BT066301 at 1155H, located a tunnel 5'x5' high x 4' wide, have gone 350 ft and still going, so far have found: 8-10,000 lbs of rice.

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34	1355	198th, A/1/46, vic BT165109 at 1305H, rec'd sniper fire, res: 1 US WHA (evac), called arty in area, also a divert air strike going in that area.
35	1418	11th, LRRP Margie, vic BS659457 at 1335H, LRRP Margie extracted at 1355H.
36	1420	11th, B/3/1, vic BS832438 at 1330H, eng'd 2 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 VC WIA/CIA.
37	1415	1st CAG, CAP 137, vic BS622932 at 1345H, while making ID check, 1 prisoner ran into the field towards Bin Lon area. Shouted for her to stop, fired a warning shot, she wouldn't stop, eng'd, wounded her. Taken to Binh Son, was shot by one of the officials before questioning.
38	1245	G-3, LTC Baxley, called to request that 198th be called in reference to the possibility the rds which landed outside Baldy could have been 5" Navy rds from a US ship (ref journal entry #2). Call made to 198th at 1250H. 1250H checked with FSE and naval gunfire team in FSE, they stated that the US ship firing when Baldy was hit was being handled by the ROK Marine Bde naval team. 1330H the ROK Bde had a ship, USS Hull, firing H&I fire from 242000 to 250400H w/152 res programmed to be fired. At 250400H vic BT183498 was fired. The ship location was BT2656 & the gun firing was a 5" gun with a max range of 25,900 yds. The general area for the H&I's was BT2256, 2249, 1249, 1256. Baldy is 7K's from the grid fired at 0247H and the grid is 10K's from the ship, thus baldy was within range. A straight line can be drawn from the ship, through the grid at 0247H to Baldy. 1335H, 198th reported finding 2 shell fragments, one was 1-1/2" long with "5-IN" stamped on it. The second was 2-1/2" long with "MK-31 MOD-2 LOT #3-MX-1167" stamped on it.
39	1435	198th, B/1/46, 1/6 vic BT181089 at 1416H, eng'd 5 VC, res: 4 VC KIA, all about 20 yrs of age. 1 VCS WIA/CIA, about 14 yrs old. CIA web gear, NVA pack, 3 Chicom HG. Had rec'd sniper fire in the area, contact broken 1423H.
40	1437	198th, C/1/52, BT075434 at 1345H, eng'd 1 NVA w/steel helmet, wpn, and pack. Res: 1 NVA KIA, 1xAK-47 CIA, SN 11089418, 2xAK-47 mags w/60 rds ammo, 1xNVA pack w/blanket, fatigues and underwear.
41	1459	198th, A/1/6, BT104216 at 1440H, in contact, receiving M-79 fire, have 1 WHA. Dustoff requested. Requests gunships for contact mission. 1/1 Cav contacted and dispatched F/8 Cav hvy team. Broke contact at 1500H.
42	1508	198th, B/1/46, BT187087 at 1505H, eng'd 1 VC plat w/packs and khaki uniforms and wpns. Eng'd w/SA fire and shooting arty. Contact broken at 1540H. Neg results. Checking area at this time.
43	1510	1st CAG, CAP 135, BS705965 at 1100H, searching area and found 6xChicom HG's and 1x80mm rd. All destroyed.
44	1515	198th, LRRP Jeanie, AT990399 at 1505H, LRRP Jeanie extracted.
45	1535	11th, C/4/21, BS902296 at 1330H, detained 3 MAM VCS.
46	1544	198th, A/1/6, BT104216 at 1455H, 7 US WHA (evac) from BT believed to be 81mm rd. Think complete area is BT's. 1x81mm rd BT. 1725H, BT rd was a 60mm mortar. Also add 2 WHA (minor). Total: 7 WHA (evac), 2 WHA (minor).
47	1610	11th, Aero Scouts, BS812433 at 1545H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
48	1610	11th, B/3/1, BS832438 at 1530H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
49	1610	11th, B/3/1, BS832438, detained 13 VCS. Had 1 element in blocking position and the 13 VCS ran into it.
50	1610	11th, B/3/1, BS820450 at 1550H, detained 3 VCS, PF & Village Chief claim are VC.
51	1612	TF Roach, H/17 Cav, BT414026 at 1545H, rec'd 2 rds of 105mm. 1 US WHA (evac). Representative of 3/16 Arty flew to location (BT432033 actual location). Checked with TF Roach. They confirm that H/17 Cav was at BT432033 when rds came in. Area was cleared because H/17 gave erroneous location. (Mission fired at BT432032).
52	1615	11th, Aero Scouts, BS812433 at 1600H, on a snatch mission, picked up 1 VN.
53	1615	11th, C/4/3, BS533798 at 1520H, had 3 US WHA (evac) caused by BT mine.
54	1619	1st CAG, CAP 114, BT262265 at 1205H, Village Chief showed daytime activity where VC buried AT mine at above location. Sent team to blow mine. Blown at 1350H (not on Hwy #1).
55	1633	198th, A/1/20, BT004383 at 1525H, rec'd fire from 2 VC, res: 1 US WHA. Ret'd fire, res: 1 VC KIA.
56	1700	CLDC, effective 1800H, alert condition White.
57	1715	198th, LRRP Helen, BT010206, inserted at 1625H.
58	1731	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT223445 at 1825H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
59	1750	198th, C/1/4, ref journal entry #33, completed evac of 2 tons of rice.
60	1805	11th, B/3/1, BS804434 at 1530H, eng'd 3 VC, res: 1 VC KIA, 2 VCS WIA, detained.
61	1805	11th, B/3/1, BS813415 at 1530H, detained 2 VCS. Had rec'd fire from area where detained.
62	1425	(delayed entry) 1/1, TOC, request AO ext for period 260600H - 272400H. Fire and maneuver. BT190200 W to 130200, N to 130260, E to 164260. Passed to 198th at 1430H. Approved by 198th and CG except for grid square BT1320. Passed to 198th and 1/1 Cav.

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	0057	Explosion within CLDC. Yellow alert.
3	0100	Mortar rds, 60mm, southern portion CLDC.
4	0100	Tower 52 and 53 request permission to fire @ 185°. Rec'd permission to fire .50 cal. Believes he has target spotted.
5	0105	CG, ADC's, C/S, G-3, and units notified.
6	0111	CLDC fence and tower 51, BT577019.
7	0119	Rds stopped falling. Estimate 9 to 10.
8	0120	80% manning of DTOC. CLDC reports rds between Tower 51 and fence vic BT572029.
9	0125	GEN Koster notified of current status.
10	0129	Arty fired on suspected mortar location.
11	0133	Support Command 100%.
12	0137	Arty preparing to fire on second location at BT576022.
13	0138	Arty firing on 2nd location. 4 rds fired on each location: BT577019 and BT576022.
14	0142	Sub Sector VII, no rds, neg damage.
15	0144	CLDC to Green alert. All sub sectors at 100% alert.
16	0147	All units notified of Green alert status.
17	0150	TF Roach called CLDC.
18	0453	Patrol from A/5/46, Don Binh #2, will check out area.
19	0155	CLDC reports NCD. Notified HQ CMDT of Green alert status.
20	0207	Patrol from A/5/46 departed to check out area.
21	0209	CLDC crater analysis team departed to make analysis.
22	0100	(delayed entry) 1/1, Firefly 98, BT335300-200469 at 2207H, destroyed 57 sampans, all in the water. 1 camouflaged. Firefly drew SA from vic grid BT2145. Neg casualties or damage.
23	0655	Tam Ky, 1st Bn, 6th ARVN Regt, at 251600H, vic BT185165 destroyed 150 lbs of rice and 2 loads of rockets.
24	0705	Tam Ky, PF Plat at 252145 vic BT315245, killed 2 VC and 1 Chicom carbine CIA.
25	0745	TF Roach, A/5/46, at 0740H, 1 squad presently vic BT586010 checking where digging was coming from. 1 plat presently vic BT580001 checking mortar site. They will link up vic BT576019 and move to vic BT5900 (Trung An) (1).
26	0913	11th, A/3/1, vic BS808477 at 0905H, detained 4 VCS, no ID cards.
27	0915	198th, A/1/6, vic BT104216 at 251445H, ref journal entry #46 25 Apr 68, change to read 1 KHA, 10 WHA (evac).
28	0915	198th, A/1/6, vic BT104213 at 251915H, ref journal entry #66 25 Apr 68, change to read 1 KHA.
29	0930	26th Engr, VR flight, aerial recon obs 2 bridges evidently burned during the night, S-22 vic BS778443 and S-21 vic BS783434. Both have by passes.
30	0930	39th Engr, C Co, at 251915H vic BS718592, rec'd sniper fire on return to CP location. Returned fire with neg results.
31	1620	(delayed entry) 198th, MAJ Sanders, vic BT133456, rec'd unk type explosion outside of perimeter. Arty claimed no firing done by friendly forces including naval gunfire. 260840H, FSE reports that the unk type explosions were 2x105mm rds being blown by A/1/1 Cav.
32	1005	39th Engr, B Co, vic BS632820 at 251700H, VN turned in the following: 1x105mm rd, 2x81mm rds, 11xM26 HG's, 7xCS HG's, 3x40mm rds. All destroyed.
33	1020	11th, D/3/1, vic BS747546 at 0954H, rec'd sniper fire from the east, same area detained 2 VCS.
34	1020	11th, C/4/21, vic BS895306 at 0930H, detained 3 VCS, age 17, 18, 34. No ID cards.
35	1025	TF Roach, D/5/46, vic BS484905 at 1017H, CA complete at 1017H, LZ cold.
36	1032	11th, B/3/1, vic BS803465 at 1030H, 1 VC KIA, refused to come out of bunker.
37	1045	11th, LRRP Irene, vic BS659457, extracted at 1040H.
38	1022	(delayed entry) 198th, A/1/20, vic AT988359 at 0842H, unit rec'd AW fire from 3-4 VC, 1 plat returning fire while another plat maneuvering in area of the 4 VC. They rec'd fire at coord AT986366, res: 3 WHA (evac). Gunships on station.
39	1105	1st CAG, CAP 136, vic BS973937 & BS977934 at 0800H, VN was working in rice paddy when he tripped an M-79 rd. He was dusted off at 1035H.

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40	1113	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT190178 at 1110H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
41	252000	(delayed entry) FSE, CPT Beach (Tam Ky), the CIDG at Tien Phuoc has been conducting an operation since 23 Apr in the area bounded by BT0416, 0916, 0412, 0912. Opns will continue until 271800 Apr 68. 2030H, 198th notified, they were not aware of opn. Requested number of units and size involved in opn. 2040H, requested Tam Ky provide above information.
42	0500	(delayed entry) FSE, Tam Ky, CIDG operations to be conducted in the following areas: Opn TS/60: BT1012, 1512, 1107, 1607, termination 262400 Apr. Opn TS/61: BT0412, 0415, 1010, 1012, period of opn 260500 - 292400 Apr. Passed to 198th.
43	251450	(delayed entry) 1/1, TOC, ref convoy to Tien Phuoc, one went out yesterday, presently held up vic BT1915 waiting for road repairs. 1/1 will assist with bull dozer tomorrow to get convoy to Tien Phuoc.
44	1210	TF Roach, Rcn/1/46, PZ BT402056, 1110H, LZ 1125H, extracted to Hill 69.
45	1240	TF Roach, LT Milling, asked that COL Galloway be informed that PF's who were to take over part of the security for An Tan Bridge had not showed up. COL Galloway had stated on 25 Apr that he wanted to be informed if the PF's had not showed up. Informed LT Hance, COL Galloway's aide, at 1242H.
46	1130	(delayed entry) 198th, A/1/6, vic BT107224 at 1120H, 1 US WHA (E) from friendly arty rd. 1215H, arty was shooting at grid BT113292, the WHA man was lying in the prone position at BT107222, 640 meters away from where the rd hit.
47	1345	11th, B/3/1, vic BS805468 at 1000H, detained 6 VCS evading.
48	1410	1/1, F/8 Cav, at 1410H vic BT156226, obs 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
49	1324	(delayed entry) 1/1, 2/6 ARVN. 1st lift on CA, PZ 1321H, LZ 1327H, LZ hot. 2nd lift on CA, PZ 1335H, LZ 1342H, LZ cold. 3rd lift on CA, PZ, 1348H, LZ 1355H, LZ cold. 4th lift 1447H, LZ 1454H, LZ cold (sporadic sniper fire to the west) 5th lift on CA, PZ 1500H, LZ 1507H, LZ cold. 6th lift on CA, PZ 1513H, LZ 1518H, LZ cold.
50	1420	11th, 4/3, vic BS518828 at 1410H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC CIA.
51	1515	11th, A/4/21, vic BS780365 at 1350H, 1 US WHA (evac) from SA fire.
52	1515	11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, vic BS524849 at 1440H, detained 1 VCS.
53	1540	11th, ref journal entry #34, should read 7 VC detained.
54	1458	(delayed entry) 11th, A/4/3, vic BT556900 at 1435H, eng'd 1 VC evading. Res: 1 VC WIA/CIA with BT kit, 2xM26 HG's, 1xUS pistol belt, 1xbag w/documents. Name: Binh Thanh. Binh Son will evac to 2nd Surg.
55	1555	11th, C/3/1, vic BS750475 at 1545H, detained 2 VCS evading.
56	1610	1/1, vic BT150237 at 1500H, 2/6 ARVN rec'd SA fire and AW fire, called airstrike.
57	1615	11th, B/3/1, vic BS802462 at 1550H, detained 4 VCS.
58	1620	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT176215 at 1612H, obs 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
59	1625	9th Engr, vic BT505028 at 1600H, civic action Officer and Staff NCO from MAG-13 driving jeep, were ambushed vic Long Phu 2. 2 wounded. Presently in 9th Engr compound. Passed to G-2, will send someone over to interrogate.
60	1627	11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, vic BS723827 at 1607H, detained 1 VCS evading.
61	1635	198th, A/1/20, vic AT980373 at 1620H, in contact with approx 4 NVA, 1 WHA (evac), Dustoff completed 1700H.
62	1640	198th, LRRP Jeanie, vic AT956293 at 1545H, Jeanie inserted at 1545H at above coords.
63	1650	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT156243 at 1630H, gunship rec'd 1 hit, 1 WHA (minor), aircraft went back to 1/1 to be checked.
64	1720	11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, vic BS663829 at 1650H, detained 1 VCS, no ID card.
65	1730	CLDC, effective 1800H, alert condition Green.
66	1740	198th, A/1/20, vic AT983368 at 1740H, located blood and pieces of human body where they fired arty this morning at 1040H during a contact w/unk VC force, enough pieces to claim 1 VC KIA.
67	1800	Americal MID, CI, casual eval: B2, at vic of BT485115, Dong Xuan (H), Ky Euan (V), three cannon type crew served wpns are loc in tunnel, location of tunnel is unk. Wpns are for mortaring or rocketing the NSAD Ship Yard (sand ramp), Chu Lai Base, soon. VC intend to move the wpns to vic of BT475124 for the attack. Commander of the VC sqd is Bui Xuan Hong. CI comment: substantially the same info was rec'd by this section and reported in Spot Report, 1300H, 25 Apr 68. The info in that report was rec'd from a different source than this.
68	1911	III MAF, I Corps, putting out Fire Arrow, based on ARVN Intelligence. Also adding info about terrorism.
69	0900	(delayed entry) 11th, MAJ Davidson, extend AO ext until 051800H May. Also extend W to Hwy #1. S on Hwy 1 to 58 easterly, west to 71, S to boundary. Passed to 2d ARVN at 0903H. CPT Chow, 2d ARVN Div, approved. AO ext request at 1430H. Approved by CG, 11th informed, msg sent to III MAF.

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	0100	1st CAG, CAP 133, vic BS664984 at 261145H, rec'd 20 rds SA fire into NDP. No casualties, believed trying to get AW to fire, called illum, neg results.
3	0155	198th, R/1/52, vic BT080482 & BT080483 at 0143H, rec'd 2 explosions, HE just outside of perimeter. Obs 1 VC moving, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 WHA (E) (result of SA fire). Dustoff called, gunships scrambled, also rec'd SA fire, Dustoff 0217H, gunships on station at 0255H, 1xM-1 carbine CIA.
4	0630	CLDC, TOC, CLDC will return to normal daylight conditions effective 0700H.
5	0755	1/1, MSG Osborn, acknowledged receipt of Frag Order 29-68.
6	0815	2d ARVN, Quang Ngai, Advance Log Command, has a convoy departing Quang Ngai to Chu Lai at 1000H with a plat for security. 10 vehicles are in the convoy. They are moving Engr materials.
7	0849	198th, 71st Gunships, vic BT080500 at 0840H, eng'd 6 VC evading, res: 2 VC KIA.
8	0857	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT179174 at 0845H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
9	0945	198th, C/1/6, vic BT030248 at 0938H, eng'd 8 VC, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 SKS CIA, SN 102449.
10	1010	11th, A/3/1, vic BS803483 at 0945H, element hit BT, believe to be a 105mm rd, not serious, but were dusted off. Res: 2 WHA (E).
11	1025	198th, PF's & B/1/6, vic BT014248 at 1008H, INFO Only: PF's working with C/1/6 eng'd 1 VC female, res: 1 VC female KIA, 1 SKS CIA, SN 1318023.
12	1026	198th, D/1/6, vic BT220082 at 1005H, loc 1 VC KIA, male, 19yrs old wearing green shirt and pants. No ID, had a small pouch w/documents, "Goofy" grape Kool-Aid package, 2xM-1 rifle clips (empty), KIA by arty.
13	1115	11th, D/3/1, vic BS727593 at 1040H, eng'd 2 VCS evading, res: 2 VC CIA, 1 was WIA.
14	1035	(delayed entry) 11th, B/3/1, vic BS757456 at 1020H, detained 1 VCS.
15	1100	(delayed entry) AMCAL MID (CI), 1000H 27 Apr: 1. As of 0700H 26 Apr 68, a squad of VC, commanded by Le Loan, appeared in the vic of BT495069 and BT495084, Ky Xuan (V). Their mission is to attack the junk fleet based at Chu Lai. Date and time of attack in unk. 2. An unk number of VC cadre personnel are reported in the vic of BT428062 and 445012. They are assisting local guerrillas to plan an attack on Hill 76. The cadre are hidden in a quarry about six meters in diameter and guarded by an unk number of guerrillas. Commanded by Ngo Nghien. Date and time of attack unk.
16	1110	198th, PF's & gunships 1/52. 1. 0907H, PF's eng'd 4 VC, neg results. 2. At BT082500, gunships rec'd hvy SA fire, returned fire w/rkts, neg results. 3. 0943H, PF's eng'd a group of VC at BT095504 with neg results. 4. 0950H, PF's killed 3 VC at BT090498. 5. 0952H, called arty on BT082500. 6. 0953H, the gunships killed 8 VC at BT082500. 7. 1025H, the PF's killed 5 VC at BT080500.
17	1110	11th, S-3 of the 11th, request 3 Slicks for CA of B (-) 4/21 Inf at 1400H. Passed to G-3, approved. Passed to Avn and 11th.
18	1220	11th, A/3/1, vic BS803417 at 1215H, detained 1 VCS.
19	1320	1/1, TOC, effective 1300H, 1/1 dropping their AO ext in TF Manassas from 26 EW line S to 23 EW line. Returning this area to allow 1/6 to check results of an air strike on 26 Apr 68.
20	1320	11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, vic BS539876 at 1300H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA.
21	1320	39th Engr, C Co, vic BS717597 at 1000H, rec'd sniper fire at 3 minute intervals, returned fire and apprehended 1 VCS. Turned VCS over to MACV D81, reconning area for snipers, continued mine sweep.
22	1350	11th, TOC, 11th will run a sniffer mission 26 Apr 68, vic BS6641, 7139, 6734, 7433.
23	1340	TF Roach, A/5/46, vic BS698958 at 1329H, man stepped on a M14 mine, res: 1 WHA (E).
24	1359	198th, B/1/20, vic AT946319 at 1334H, eng'd several VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA, 2 VC CIA, 1xChicom HG, 1xpistol belt, 2xponchos, and 2xpacks CIA.
25	1405	11th, B/3/1, vic BS742439 at 1350H, detained 2 VCS, 1 without ID, 1 with altered ID.
26	1405	11th, C/3/1, vic BS705469 at 1335H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
27	1445	11th, B/4/21, vic BS928251 ay 0810H, found 2-1/2 tons of salt, all evac.
28	1502	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT224444 at 1500H, eng'd 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
29	1540	11th, B/3/1, vic BS764446 at 1535H, detained 1 VCS evading.
30	1545	11th, B/4/21, vic BS765430, CA, 1st lift 1411H, complete at 1540H, LZ cold.
31	1610	11th, B/3/1, vic BS741444 at 1555H, detained 1 VCS evading.
32	1650	11th, Aero Scouts, vic BS521839 at 1455H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA.

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	0030	11th, D/4/21, 800405 at 2225H, 1 US NBK. Went outside perimeter to relieve himself and was shot when he returned.
3	272340	(delayed entry) III MAF, msg from III MAF set Tactical Alert Condition III, Military Security Alert Condition Gray. III MAF notified that we had been in this status since 1900H.
4	0032	TF Roach, 1/46th HQ's, BT430111 at 0029H, PF element at coord are in contact. Ong Bo Bridge, enemy force of 1 plat VC est.
5	0110	III MAF, msg set Military Security Condition Yellow. Tactical Alert Condition II.
6	0115	CLDC Yellow alert.
7	0017	All units have been notified to go to Yellow Alert until further notice.
8	0120	III MAF, notified of our receipt of msg and that all units notified of Yellow Alert status.
9	0120	Reaction Force alerted by TF Roach. H-Trp is preliminary reaction force. E/5/46 is backup. LTC Johnson, Yellow Alert was passed to subsectors by telephone, not by sirens.
10	0120	C/S, GEN Young, COL Galloway, G-3 and G-2 informed of alert status. All informed at 0118H.
11	0135	198th, Yellow Alert, 100%.
12	0200	CLDC into modified Yellow Alert status.
13	0210	TOC security 85%.
14	0215	Rec's verbal notice from III MAF to go to III Yellow Alert condition. All units notified. III MAF notified of receipt at 0345H. Condition set as of 0216H.
15	0219	All units notified of change in alert status.
16	0500	11th, 4/21, BS883304, possibility of bridge being burned, will check in the morning, Recon.
17	0640	CLDC, will return to normal daylight conditions as of 0700H.
18	0705	11th Bde, CPT Holbrook, Bridge 105 at vic BS883304, minor damage to Bridge 105, PF's put out fire before any major damage.
19	0710	11th Bde, CPT Holbrook, Bridge 104 at vic BS885288 was blown, bypass is being prepared by Engr's. Bridge at BS897268, a 100 foot timber bridge, was burned, bridge not useable, bypass is.
20	0920	11th, B/3/1, vic BS748453 at 0910H, detained 1 VCS evading.
21	0927	11th, LRRP Marie, vic BS689368 at 0820H, inserted 0820H, LZ cold, inserted at BS698368.
22	1006	11th, A/3/1, vic BS785485 at 1000H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
23	1017	39th Engr, C Co, vic BS718595 at 0925H, rec'd sniper fire from BS728598, returned fire, neg results, neg casualties, continued mine sweep.
24	1018	S-3, 26th Engr, D Co, vic BT265191 at 1000H, 1-1/2 ton trailer hit mine, convoy also rec'd SA and AW fire from N, returned fire. Res: 1 VN civilian WHA (by mine), Dustoff 1015H, trailer rec'd hvy damage. Convoy going west on Tien Phuoc Road.
25	1035	11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, vic BS526792 at 1000H, detained 2 VCS evading.
26	1103	11th, Sniffer Mission, 0905H-1030H hot spots from sniffer mission: BS735323, BS731329, BS757367, BS762395, BS704359, BS691393, BS695396, BS705416, BS708419, BS689411, BS662405, BS665408.
27	1035	(delayed entry) 11th Bde, D/3/1, vic BS680540 at 1030H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
28	1135	198th, B/1/46, vic BT164068 at 1046H, rec'd sniper fire, obs 9 VC, eng'd. Res: 2 US WHA (E), found 2 blood trails. CIA 1xAK-47, SN 10049199, 2xChicom HG's, called arty.
29	1136	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT142501 at 1130H, eng'd 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
30	1137	TF Roach, A/5/46, vic BS697957 at 1125H, during combat sweep, stepped on M14 mine. Res: 2 US WHA (E).
31	1147	198th, CPT Kinny, LRRP Jeanie extracted at 1000H.
32	1030	(delayed entry) 11th, D/19 Engr's, vic BS883303 at 0705H, mine sweep team detained 1 male VCS, he had several ID's and papers and drawings of the bridge destroyed this morning.
33	1134	198th, C/1/6, vic AT995283 at 1120H, eng'd unk number of VC with AW and M-79. Res: 2 US WHA (E), still receiving fire, contact continues.
34	1148	1st CAG, CAP 135, vic BS712973 at 271839H, found 18xM-79 rds BT in road between 135 position and A-10 (USA). Destroyed in place.
35	1157	39th Engr, D Co, vic BT288198 at 1045H, found 1 rd of 60mm, no firing device, destroyed.
36	1152	TF Roach, A/5/46, vic BS697957 at 1142H, US hit mine, res: 1 US WHA (E).

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37	1100	(delayed entry) 1/1 Cav, AO ext request. BT1229 S to BT1227, E to BT1627, 1/1 boundary to BT152290 then W along 29 GL to BT1229, from 1200H to 1900H. Intel report of enemy activity. Turned down by 198th because A/1/6 was to be in area. Arranged however to have F/8 Cav work in area under contact of TF Manassas. Passed to 198th and 1/1 Cav.
38	1230	11th, B/4/3, vic BS762840 at 1145H, rec'd SA fire from unk number of VC, res: 2 US WHA (E). Unit returned fire and checking at present time.
39	1320	11th, B/4/3, vic BS762840 at 1145H, ref journal entry #38, total of 4 WHA (E) for incident.
40	1333	198th, C/1/52, vic BT033398 at 1300H, found 1x.30 cal bolt-action rifle w/bayonet, SN 4028251, wpn was in good condition.
41	1335	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT170278 at 1239H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
42	1340	198th, F/8 Cav, vic BT128272 at 1326H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
43	1350	11th, B/4/3, vic BS761839 at 1323H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
44	1430	198th, ref journal entry #30, add 1 WHA (E).
45	1430	11th, B/3/1, vic BS734438 at 1520H, 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
46	1520	11th, A/3/1, vic BS807473 at 1450H, rec'd 2 rds sniper fire, res: 1 WHA (E).
47	1528	198th, B/1/46, vic BT174066 at 1400H, eng'd 3 VC, res: 1 VC KIA, 1xM-14 SN 356498, and 1xRussian rifle SN 7063253 CIA.
48	1535	198th, B/1/46, vic BT168068 at 1408H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
49	1535	198th, B/1/46, vic BT212087 at 1409H, eng'd 4 VC, res: 1xSKS SN F6242 CIA.
50	1535	198th, C/1/6, vic AT985284 at 1426H, found a tunnel 50 feet long, 1 VC was in tunnel, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
51	1540	TF Roach, A/5/46, ref journal entry #30, 3 US WHA.
52	1630	198th, B/1/20, vic AT960318 at 1606H, spotted 3 VC wearing black PJ's, eng'd with SA, res: 1 VC KIA, he was carrying a homemade pack.
53	1630	11th, CC/4/21, vic BS759383 at 1410H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
54	1646	1/1, f/8 Cav, vic BT128337 at 1644H, 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
55	1700	CLDC, effective 1800H, condition Green.
56	1530	(delayed entry) Gia Vuc SF Camp, CPT Johnson, vic BS361367 at 1530H, request gunships to support CIDG element in contact with 25 to 30 VC who have 3 to 4 AW's. Contact Jake 45 on freq designator M1094 down 0.10. 1535H, called to say CIDG in hvy contact. 1 or 2 CIDG Co's involved in getting VC rice. Gunships dispatched from 11th by order of BG Young. Further info: gunships returned to LZ Bronco report that ground troops confirm that gunships accounted for 5 VC KIA.
57	1727	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT204242 at 1721H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
58	1730	III MAF, rec'd Red Rocket Exercise msg from III MAF, dtg 280844Z Apr 68. Rec'd COC msg at 281650H, phoned LTC Black, III MAF, COC of receipt time. Rec'd comm center msg at 1658H. Phoned CPT Williamson, III MAF, COC of receipt time.
59	1758	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT335315 at 1755H, eng'd 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
60	1810	CLDC, effective 1800H, condition Green.
61	2140	TF Roach, 1/46, at 2045H, picked up one man in village, HQ-HQ Div Arty, Jisinsky. He was on pot. Dusted off to 2d Surg (BT464085).
62	2143	TF Roach, TOC, BT450044 at 2142H, PF's at above coord are in contact w/unk size VC force, res: 2 PF WHA (evac).
63	2150	TF Roach, A/5/46, BS700965 at 2000H, reports 2 mortar rds about 300 meters from perimeter. No casualties or damage.
64	2200	1st Mar Div, NP, National Police detained 1 VC with 2 HG's. After questioning VC stated 24 VC were to attack ARVN Dist 3 HQ's, BT0478, tonight.
65	2215	11th, S-5 4/3, 681876 at 1730H, following turned in: 2xM16 AP mines, 1xChicom HG, 22xM26 HG's, 21xM-79 rds, 1xAP mine, 1xM-72 LAW, 1x60mm HE, 1xClaymore, 30xrds M-1 ammo, 660xrds .30 cal, 750x.30 MLB rds.
66	2345	TF Roach, TOC, request for AO ext, from BS590910 along the 91 EW grid line to coast. Then N along coast to AO boundary to take in this area. Request this area from 291800H Apr to 041800H May 1968.
67	2400	Ops Summary: Americal Div units cont'd combat ops in zone w/light contact reported. Americal Div Totals: 2 KHA, 10 WHA (evac), 1 WHA (minor), 14 VC KIA, 6 IWC.
68	2400	Journal Closed.

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	0610	CLDC, begin normal daylight conditions at 0700H.
3	0630	198th, B/1/52, 1-6 element, BT108419 at 0615H, interpreter led unit to tunnel on edge of village. Eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA. Detained 1 MAM and 1 female, found documents on KIA and also on detainee. VC was wearing black PJ's.
4		198th, A/1/6, vic BT143243 at 0055H-0400H, 1 NVA KIA, 1xAK-47 SN 11052913, 2xAK-47 magazines, 1xdrum for RPD, web belt, 2xfirst aid pouches, 1xnote book (will evac), part of an RPG rocket., 1xcharge for RPG, 7xChicom HG's. Plat is checking further now. Above items found immediately outside A-1-6 perimeter during first light patrol.
5	0800	11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, vic BS526870 at 0747H, eng'd 2 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
6	0820	11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, vic BS525875 at 0810H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
7	0820	11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, vic BS519865 at 0809H, eng'd 4 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
8	0839	11th, D/3/1, 1st lift of CA, LZ 0810H, LZ cold. 2nd lift of CA, LZ 0822H, LZ cold. CA complete, LZ 0835H, LZ cold.
9	282300	(delayed entry) TF Roach, TOC, request AO ext from BS594910 East to BS725910, NW along coast to TF Roach boundary. Passed to 11th. Request East of Route 1. Approved by BG Young. Passed to TF Roach at 0856H (SGT Wilson).
10	0055	(delayed entry) 198th, A/1/6, vic BT143243 at 0052H, receiving SA, AW, HG at this time. Estimate platoon. 0100H, scrambling gun and flare ships. 0120H, guns and flare ships on station. 0125H, request additional gunships to be on call when theirs come back to re-fuel and re-arm, suggested Spooky be requested. 0145H, requested Spooky. Resupply Slick requested to deliver ammo to A/1/6 position from FSB Center. G-3 notified and approved. 0230H, Spooky on station. 0320H, gunships back on station. 0335H, Spooky departed area. 0343H, gunships receiving ground fire. 0357H, resupply of A/1/6 complete. 0400H, gunships departed area. General: unit reported receiving SA, AW, and HG's throughout period with varying degrees of intensity. Res: 4 US WHA (E), 1 from gunships, 3 from A/1/6. Door gunner was wounded or burned from a chunk as a result of his MG blowing up. C. E. resupply declared by CO 1/6 Inf.
11	0815	(delayed entry) 198th, A/1/6, vic BT143243 at 0730H, US hit a BT M26 HG. Res: 9 WHA (E), 1 WHA (M). Total of 10 WHA.
12	0900	198th, Rcn/1/20, vic BT002383 at 0820H, eng'd 2 VC who refused to halt with SA, res: 1 VC KIA.
13	0925	11th, B/3/1, vic BS735416 at 0900H, tripped BT HG, res: 2 US WHA (E).
14	0935	11th, CPT Henderson, vic BS897268, early this morning VC blew up by-pass, road is closed to foot traffic. ETR: 10 hrs.
15	0925	11th, B/4/3, vic BS760836 at 0849H, element hit 2 command detonated mines. Res: 6 US WHA, 5 evac, 1 ret'd to duty.
16	0940	11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, vic BS524889 at 0925H, eng'd 3 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA, 1 VC pinned in bunker.
17	0955	11th, B/4/3, CA 1st lift 0945H, LZ cold. 2nd lift 0954H, LZ cold. CA complete 1002H, LZ cold.
18	1020	Quang Ngai, vic BS359362 at 1020H, request gunships for SF patrol in contact at BS359362, to come up on FAC Aircraft Jake 41 on freq 44.9. 1025H, passed request to G-3, he approved request. Gunships from 11th will be [notified]. 1035H, Avn passed info to gunships at 11th, 2d ARVN notified and will pass to SF. Further info: Force in contact was 100 man force. It is believed that 20 of the friendly forces have been wounded during the contact.
19	1020	11th, D/3/1, vic BS739476 at 1000H, detained 2 VCS evading, both wounded, dusted off.
20	1035	198th, SGT Wilson, B&B/1/46. "B" extracted: PZ BT211088, 0915H, LZ BT462072, 0925H.
21	1037	198th, C/1/46, vic BT211088 at 1000H, found a small tunnel, inside they found 1xSKS, SN J12454, with 1 full magazine.
22	1045	11th, B/3/1, vic BS735416 Tactical Formation: Ref journal entry #13. Unit was at a halt. Follow-up report on BT: Plat Ldr and SGT were going to check out a tunnel. Distance between individuals was 5 meters. No body armor was being worn. No warning sounds prior to detonation. BT was located in a hedgerow, no villagers in the area.
23	1045	198th, A/1/6, ref journal entry #4, read out on the notebook that was captured indicates the NVA that was killed was from the 3d Co, 70th Bn, his company has 1xmortar (cal unk), 1xMG (type unk), and some HG's.
24	1102	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT249423 at 1100H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
25	1112	198th, LRRP Margie, vic BT257107, Margie inserted at 1008H.
26	1110	11th, B/4/3, vic BS729876 at 1034H, tripped BT of unk size. Res: 1 US WHA (E), Dustoff complete 1049H.
27	1120	11th, C/3/1, vic BS687477 at 1100H, rec'd AW fire, returned fire, checked area, found 1 VC KIA.
28	1129	198th, B/1/52, vic BT103421 at 1040H, VN children led unit to 500 lbs rice buried in ground in crocks, will evac rice.
29	1150	CLDC, TOC, EOD Team vic BS582995, blowing ammo, got out of control, 2-1/2 tons destroyed, 1-1/4 partially damaged. FSE notified for acct warning. Note: were blowing old ammo, somehow got out of control, at present time they cannot approach the site. Will notify when area is clear.
30	0952	11th, 11th request AO ext from BS7360 N to BS7362 then E along GL to South China Sea. Time: ASAP to 051800H May. Passed to 2d ARVN at 1000H. Approved by 2d ARVN Div, CPT Chau, passed to 11th at 1200H.

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31	1210	11th, B/4/21, vic BS799370 at 1105H, detained 2 VCS.
32	1210	11th, D/4/21, vic BS793367 at 1139H, detained 1 VCS.
33	1226	1/1, C/1/1, vic BT260190 at 1215H, ACAV hit a mine, 1 KHA, 3 WHA, mine believed to be Nitro Starch, mine left crater in road 8 ft wide, 5 ft deep. Size of mine unk. ACAV was a combat loss. Track was in column formation. 1 KHA, 3 WHA were on same track. All personnel used armor vest and steel pots. There were no warning devices. No sound before explosion. Not close to a known object, villagers did not know about the mine being there. Res: now are 2 KHA, 2 WHA (E).
34	1305	TF Roach, B/5/46, PZ 1238H, 655962, LZ 1259H, 657947, LZ cold.
35	1345	11th, D/3/1, vic BS756580 at 1340H, detained 1 VCS, no ID card.
36	1345	198th, D/1/6, vic BT167072 at 1335H, found 1xMAS-36 rifle.
37	1345	11th, D/4/21, vic BS845359 at 1330H, found 5 VCS in spider hole, also 1xM-72 LAW.
38	1350	11th, S-2, request permission to run sniffer mission on 30 Apr 68, AO BS6338, 7074, 7130, 7734. Request aircraft to be at Duc Pho at 0800H.
39	1415	11th, C/4/21, vic BS896304 at 1345H, C/4/21 found VC documents at BS896304, detained 1 VCS at BS895315, VCS evading.
40	1440	26th Engr, D Co, vic BT261189 at 1415H, approx 40 lb command detonated mine blown at above location. Crater 6' x 6' x 6', neg casualties or damage. VN civilian led D Co to a hut near command detonation, hut was destroyed by element of B/1/1.
41	1447	11th, LRRP Marie, vic 702369 at 1410H, chased 2 VC into VC base camp, plat size or larger. Now taking E&E action moving along stream bank. Lost contact with VC following them. Still calling for extraction. Will extract. Extracted at 1446H from BS706369.
42	1500	198th, ref journal entry #3, no documents were captured.
43	1510	26th Engr, 2 plat, B Co, vic BT064365 at 1000H, mine sweep team found 1 small mine, blown in place.
44	1517	11th, B/4/21, vic BS928252 at 1505H, detained 1 VCS.
45	1419	(delayed entry) 198th, C/1/6, vic AT999359 at 1355H, made contact with 9 VC, VC eng'd unit, res: 1 WHA (M), called in arty and mortars, checking area at this time.
46	1424	11th, Rcn/4/21, vic BS917473 at 1400H, detained 4 VCS evading.
47	1530	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT173291 at 1525H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
48	1531	11th, C/4/21, vic BS839312 at 1515H, rec'd sniper fire, res: 1 WHA (E).
49	1600	1/1, B/1/1, vic BT224171 at 1555H, tank hit mine. Res: 3 US WHA (E). Tank combat loss. Estimated to be 500 lb bomb, 7' deep hole, 12' wide. Formation was a column. Rate of march 15 MPH. All casualties were on the same track. CVC helmets and armored vests were worn. No warning device. No sound prior to detonation. Not known if villagers knew anything about mine being in area.
50	1605	CLDC, 14th Avn Bn, WO McClure, 14th Avn Bn, reported the following: vic BT5800, 6 "L" shaped trenches. Vic BT585011, 2 dud 155mm rds. Vic BT585025 fresh digging. This info passed to CPT Prather, TF Roach, by CLDC.
51	1615	11th, ref journal entry #15. Unit was in a CA formation, rate of movement not known. Distance between individuals was 15 meters. They did not have on armored vest, but they did have on steel pots. No warning devices or sound prior to detonation. 1 mine was beside a hut, the other was on a pole approx 6 ft high, one of the BT's was a 81mm mortar rd, the other was unk. There was some people in the village last night, but they left prior to the CA. It is believed the people knew the mines were in the area.
52	1652	CLDC, SGT Pryor, alert condition White at 1800H, at 1750H, alert condition Green.
53	1715	11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, at BS512839 and BS514834 at 1635H, detained 2 VCS evading, 1 at each of the above coords.
54	1715	26th Engr, 1st Plat, B Co, vic BT115429 at 1000H, rec'd 15 rds SA fire, 4 rds M-79 fire, returned fire. NCD.
55	1717	11th, B/4/3, vic BS730874 at 1644H, detained 1 VCS, no ID card.
56	1717	11th, A/4/3, vic BS578906 at 1648H, detained 1 VCS, ID card did not match hers.
57	1745	1/1, B/1/1, vic BT224171 at 1740H, tank hit mine, 8 WHA (E), 1 WHA (M). Tank was trying to retrieve other tank that hit mine at 1555H.
58	1758	11th, B/3/1, vic BS763423 at 1750H, detained 2 VCS evading.
59	1758	11th, B/3/1, vic BS778446 at 1740H, detained 1 VCS evading.
60	1825	11th, B/3/1, vic BS715386 at 1815H, 2 VC walked into ambush, res: 2 VC KIA.

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	0005	11th, B/19 Engr, BS176476 at 292350H, culvert blown. MTF. Cannot tell if road is passable. Will check 1st light.
3	0010	198th, A/1/20, LZ Ross at 292340H, rec'd 2x81/82mm mortar in the perimeter. NCD.
4	0020	2d ARVN, CPT Johnson, at 0015H rec'd 4 shaped charges at Quang Ngai. Rec'd 5 more at 0035H.
5	0107	198th, R/1/20, BT045382 at 0045H, rec'd 1 HG. At 0100H rec'd 3 more HG's. NCD. Calling in arty. Will check at 1st light.
6	0210	198th, 1/6, BT239142 at 0205H, LZ Bowman rec'd 20 rds fire, initially reported as mortars, changed to RPG's. Total of 30 rds and some HG's. 3 bunkers were destroyed. Friendly cas: 7 WHA (evac) and 1 WHA (minor). 1 VC KIA, 1 CSWC (RPG-2). 2xB-40 rockets, 1xChicom HG CIA. Dustoff completed at 0325H.
7	0235	198th, D/1/20, AT998336 at 0230H, man in bunker heard movement in front of bunker. He turned, firing at the same time. He accidentally hit a man next to him. Res: 1 NBW (evac).
8	292145	(delayed entry) 198th, TOC, request for clearance to fire false prep for 1/52 CA, want clearance to fire the area bounded by following coords: BT150508, 156508, 150506, 156506, the fire into these grids will be deceptive fire. Fired approx 3 min prior to CA LZ time, time 0930H-1000H. 2200H, FSE working on clearance. 2245H, FSE reports that the above grid is cleared for fire from 300500-302000H. 2246, 198th notified of clearance.
9	0550	1/1, B/1/1, vic BT202164 at 0545H, tank hit mine, light damage, no casualties.
10	0650	198th, A/1/52, & E/1/6, vic BT239142 at 0205H, ref journal entry #6, E/1/6 reports 3 more VC KIA, 1xAK-47 SN T90871, CIA.
11	0639	198th, A/1/52, vic BT299131. Results of raid on village at BT299131, 1 VC KIA, with 1 carbine.
12	0741	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT201153 at 0735H, eng'd 1 MAM, res: 1 VC KIA.
13	0741	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT184272 at 0740H, eng'd 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
14	0759	11th, B/3/1, vic BS730408 at 0747H, 1 VC KIA, 1xM-2 carbine CIA, 1xHG, 1xpistol belt with first aid packet.
15	0918	11th, A/4/3, vic BS580905 at 0859H, detained 1 VCS.
16	0923	11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, at 0914H vic BS712873, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
17	0936	11th, A/4/3, vic BS587908 at 0920H, detained 1 VCS evading.
18	0958	11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, vic BS712875 at 0956H, detained 3 male and 1 female hiding in a bunker, evac to LZ Dottie.
19	0916	(delayed entry) FSE, ref journal entry #62, 29 Apr 68. Acft is believed to be vic BS4295, FAC is on station and in contact with Air Rescue DaNang.
20	0930	(delayed entry) 1/1, 0935H, road is clear from Baldy to CP Aloha (BT259279), found 2xplastic mines there. 1 blown in place, left 2 ft deep and 3 ft wide hole in road. Road is passable, other mine blown off road. Now open to Tam Ky.
21	0947	(delayed entry) 1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT337268 at 0945H, eng'd 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
22	0951	(delayed entry) 1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT332270 at 0950H, eng'd 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
23	1000	198th, D/1/6, vic BT152113 & BT152117 at 0920H, rec'd 6 rds of SA fire, returned fire, res: 1 VC KIA, no ID, no web gear or wpn.
24	1010	Quang Ngai, LNO, request AO ext for SF, period 020600H-041800H, from BS4486, N to BS4488, W to SF AO. Passed to 11th 1120H. Approved by 11th, 1112H (SGT Gaylord).
25	1014	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT346273 at 1010H, eng'd 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
26	1025	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT308269 at 1020H, eng'd 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
27	1030	11th, E-1 Cav, vic BS609848 at 1005H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
28	1030	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT320276 at 1026H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
29	1030	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT351265 at 1025H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
30	1040	198th, A/1/46, vic BT152117 at 0920H, rec'd 6 rds SA fire, returned fire, res: 1 VC KIA.
31	1044	11th. Aero Scouts, 4/3, vic BS704857 at 1020H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
32	1044	198th, C/1/52, vic BT104382 at 0929H, enroute to LZ Colt, found 3 VN WIA by arty. Dustoff complete 0940H.
33	1045	198th, E/1/52, vic BT133453 at 0930H, obs 1 VN inside wire, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
34	1046	198th, gunships, 1/52, vic BT125514 at 1009H, eng'd VC evading area of CA. Attempting to cross river. Res: 2 VC KIA.
35	1047	198th, B/1/52, vic BT124504 at 1018H, obs 2 VC evading, eng'd, res: 2 VC KIA.
36	1050	11th, SF, vic BS366365 at 1030H, patrol in contact w/2 squads. Contact Wild Bill on 44.90 (M-215 is freq designator. Permission given by G-3. 11th notified and told to be in contact at all times and to request Tac Air as they would for one of their own units. BG Young informed.

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37	1055	198th, D/1/52, vic BT126510, 1st PZ 0940H, LZ 0955H, LZ cold. Complete 1033H, rec'd some SA fire, no casualties.
38	1057	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT355263 at 0955H, 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
39	1059	1/1, F/8 Cav, obs unk number sampans with 400 MAM. 1/1 wanted us to notify Swift Boats. Sampans at BT3727 & 3529. F/8 Cav on station. Swift Boats will come up on 1/1 freq.
40	1105	198th, D/1/52, vic BT126506 at 1040H, 1 US WHA (M) by a BT HG in a hootch, frag wounds in arm, tripped wire when he entered hootch.
41	0745	(delayed entry) 11th, culverts blown: 1. BS763478, blown by 155mm, road is passable. 2. BS758489, road is impassable, no ETR at this time.
42	1020	198th, LT Blanco, vic BT125514, request gunships replace gunships on station with D/1/52 CA so they can refuel and rearm, have 10 min left on station. Avn has 3 guns on ramp at Chu Lai, 2 of which are for TF Roach, 1/1 using F/8 Cav in AO ext where they are engaging several VC. Gunships with 1/52 have killed 14 VC. Called G-3, guns from Chu Lai would take 30-40 min to get to area and F/8 Cav will not divert from their present mission, no guns will be sent. Notified 198th.
43	1145	198th, D/1/52, vic BT128508 at 1114H, obs 1 VC evading across river, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, detained 3 VCS same area.
44	1208	198th, HQ's/1/20, vic AT992348 at 1145H, eng'd VN evading, res: 1 VC KIA, estimated to be 20 yrs old.
45	1210	198th, 1/52, vic BT127513 at 1022H, sighted several NVA w/wpns evading, eng'd, res: 1 NVA KIA.
46	1215	TF Roach, A/5/46, CA for A/5/46, PZ 1138H, CA complete 1156H, LZ cold.
47	1300	11th, C/4/21, vic BS825289 at 1234H, detained 1 VCS, no ID.
48	1300	198th, E/1/52, ref journal entry #33, delete entry.
49	1258	(delayed entry) 11th, C/4/21, vic BS834294 at 1245H, eng'd reinforced VC squad, called arty and eng'd w/SA, Res: 1 VC KIA.
50	1300	198th, A/1/46, vic BT165116 at 1340H, found 1 NVA hanging in a hut, age 35 to 40, also found some bloody clothes. He had on a green uniform. Res: 1 NVA KIA.
51	1330	198th, D/1/52, vic BT127505 at 1325H, 1 VC threw 2 Chicom HG's, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA. Element rec'd no casualties.
52	1333	11th, C/4/21, vic BS834294 at 1325H, detained 2 VCS.
53	1350	11th, C/4/21, vic BS834294 at 1345H, detained 1 VCS evading, evac to LZ Bronco.
54	1305	(delayed entry) 11th, S-2, request permission to run a sniffer mission 1 May 68, AO BS6338, BS7040, BS7130, BS7734. Request acft be at Duc Pho at 010800H.
55	1320	198th, C/1/6, vic BT036291, were receiving hvy AW fire, called Immediate air strike, res: 4 structures destroyed, 1 bunker destroyed.
56	1425	11th, Aero Scouts, 4/3, vic BS564832 at 1410H, detained 3 VCS, evac to LZ Dottie.
57	1430	11th, CPT Henderson, acknowledge of the following messages 091, 102, and 103.
58	1446	TF Roach, B/5/46, vic BS654957 at 1430H, reported Dustoff 1430H of 1 US WHA, hit in hip with AW sniper fire, came from BS654947 and BS649957.
59	1446	TF Roach, A/5/46, vic BT707911 at 1425H, saw 25 people from their location, 1 MAM started to evade, fired warning shots, would not stop, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
60	1445	1st CAG, CAP 112, vic BT363166 at 0415H, ambush surrounded hootch, eng'd VC entering hootch. Res: 1 VC KIA, 1xAK-47, 1xM-1 carbine, 1xChicom HG CIA, brief case with info on Tam Ky.
61	1450	1st CAG, CAP 124, vic BT387161 at 0915H, PF's thought area had VC in area, fired arty.
62	1459	11th, C/4/21, vic BS834294 at 1410H, VC threw HG, res: 1 WHA (E).
63	1459	11th, C/4/21, vic BS834294 at 1440H, found 1 M-1 rifle in a tunnel, SN 695484.
64	1515	1/1, MSG Osborn, acknowledged receipt of msg 101.
65	1540	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT145485 at 1535H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
66	1522	198th, D/1/6, vic BT161073 at 1522H, rec'd 3 rds of sniper fire, calling arty at this time, 1600H, negative results.
67	1615	198th, E/1/6, A/1/52, vic BT239142 at 0205H, ref journal entry #8 and #10, all 8 WHA were from A/1/52.
68	1630	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT181248 at 1340H, fired a M-79 at a bunker, rec'd shrapnel from explosion, res: 1 WHA (M).
69	1626	198th, D/1/52, vic BT132512 & BT126516 at 1626H, rec'd sniper fire while being extracted, called arty on the 2 above cords.
70	1600	(delayed entry) 198th, requests Slicks and gunships for CA of 1 plat of C/1/6 to A/1/6 for reinforcement. PZ (C/1/6) BT019269, 28 pax, LZ (A/1/6) BT141271. Gunships and additional Slicks authorized by G-3, guns to come from TF Roach.

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71	1600	(delayed entry) 198th, A/1/6, vic BT142272 at 1535H, located hospital area, 4 NVA CIA. The NVA were wounded when the unit found them, they will be evac to IPW cage today or tomorrow. 1715H, 4 NVA were evac to LZ Baldy and are being interrogated at this time.
72	1650	III MAF, CPT Heintz, vic BS7295, rec'd word that a boat on a Market Time operation is being fired on. Called Swift Boats who confirmed message. Arty being called on enemy. Freq designator M439 up .05. Called TF Roach, they have no troops in area to check out possible VC casualties. Notified III MAF of action taken. Notified Avn to have gunships fly over area on their return to Chu Lai. Aero Scouts will fly over area.
73	1705	11th, B/3/1, vic BS708382 at 1625H, rec'd SA fire and 4 HG's, res: 3 US WHA (M). Checked area with neg results.
74	1735	CLDC, condition Green effective 1800H.
75	1745	198th, D/1/52, 1st PZ at 1603H, LZ 1608H. 2nd PZ 1721H, LZ1735H. 3rd PZ 1730H, LZ 1735H. PZ BT127512, LZ BT092478. 1st lift rec'd sniper fire.
76	1815	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT330318 at 1810H, eng'd 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
77	1823	198th, C/1/6, vic BT141271 at 1813H, CA of 1 plat of C/1/6 complete at 1813H.
78	1830	198th, D/1/52, vic BT128508 at 1144H, detained 18 VCS.
79	1835	11th, C/4/21, vic BS834294 at 1345H, ref journal entry # 53, change report to read 1 VC KIA. He was picked up as a VCS, somehow he got his hands untied and started to run, element eng'd him.
80	1840	198th, LRRP Margie, requests extraction, as they have spotted 46 NVA w/mortars moving toward them and heard voices. 198th needs 1 Slick, have 2 guns. Passed to G-2 and G-3, Slicks to be sent. Avn notified. Notified 198th, they now need 2 Slicks. They are to meet guns at LZ Bowman. PZ is BT249101 on freq of 40.35.
81	1840	11th, D/3/1, vic BS773547 at 0900H, detained 1 VCS evading.
82	1935	198th, TOC, ref journal entry #80, LRRP Margie extracted 1930H. Arty was fired, gunships rec'd fire.
83	1940	SF, Quang Ngai, ref journal entry #24, AO ext request by Tra Bong SF Camp approved by GEN Young. Passed to SF (2LT Meller 2012H, FSE CPT Ellis 2005H) by CPT Logan.
84	1927	39th Engr, C Co, BS724576 at 1730H, VN turned in 1x4.2 WP rd, 1xM26 HG, 2xM14 AP mines, 1x60mm mortar rd, 1x40mm rd. All destroyed.
85	1930	198th, D/1/6, BT165073 at 1930H, report 30 rds 82mm mortar fire, under ground attack. At 1950H, 7 WHA (E), SA continuing. At 1945H mortar ceased. 4 WHA (E), 4 WHA (M). At 1945H, ground fire ceased. Dustoff completed for 4 evacs at 2000H.
86	1915	1/1, S-2, request APD mission to run on 2 May at 0900H in following areas: BT1330, 1320, 2120, 2030. Request mission run on 3-4 May also. Passed request to 198th (LT Taylor). He thinks 198th can do it. Will coordinate directly with 1/1.
87	2143	11th, D/3/1, BS775548 at 215H, ambush eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
88	2210	CLDC, LTC Johnson, all bombs now on sand ramp, will be moved prior to 2400H. At this time there are 200 pallets of 500 lb bombs. 2 LST's will move out of the harbor NLT 0100. One LST is aground and is unable to move. Will go to 100% black out when the other 2 move out.
89	2305	Combat Center, LT Johnson, at 2140H, indiv shot himself in ankle with M-16 rifle. Taken to 2nd Surg. No witnesses, someone heard shot. SDO and MP's informed by Combat Center.
90	2320	11th, 4/3, BS681876 at 1800H, VN turned in the following: 30xM16 mine fuzes, 43xM-79 rds, 33xM26 HG's, 5x60mm mortar rds, 7xClaymore mines, 1xM-72 LAW, 1x3.5" rd, 3,600xM-1 rds, 2,572 carbine rds.
91	2400	Opns Summary: Americal Div units cont'd combat opns in zone w/light contact reported. In Opn Wheeler/Wallowa, D/1/52 conducted a CA at 1033H to vic BT127513 with a hot LZ and conducted opns to the SW. Gunships supporting the opn eng'd an unk number of VC vic BT125514 at 1009H resulting in 14 VC KIA. D Co was extracted at 1603H and CA into another hot LZ at 1735H vic BT097478. The CA by D/1/20 was again cancelled due to poor weather. In Opn Burlington Trail, at 0205H LZ Bowman (BT239142) rec'd an attack with HG's and RPG fire, contact ceased at approx. 0400H with 4 VC KIA, 1 RPG and 1 AK-47 CIA, 7 US WHA (evac), 1 WHA (minor). F/8 Cav from 0730H to 1030H vic BT3327 eng'd and killed 8 VC. In Opn Muscatine, A/5/46 CA at 1156H to BS715915 with a clod LZ. Americal Div results as of 2100H: 43 VC KIA, 2 NVA KIA, 4 IWC, 1 CSWC. Americal Division Totals: 13 WHA (evac), 13 WHA (minor), 1 NBW, 43 VC KIA, 2 NVA KIA, 5 IWC, 1 CSWC.
92	2400	Journal Closed.

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