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1	0001	Journal opened.
2	0215	2d ROK Bde, Service Co, 5th Bn, BTG118608 at 0130H recd mort and SA fire. Res: 2 WHA (E). Ret'd fire w/unlk res.
3	2330	(delayed entry from 30 Jun) 11 th Bde, S-2, Ref LRP AO's under consideration. Req consideration be given to the following AO: BS4244/4644/4240/4640. Also req a secondary AO be considered at BS3751/4251/4357/3747. S-2 of 11 th Bde was referred to a msg sent to them by G-3 Air and instructed to make every attempt to use AO's furnished, at least initially. Further informed that adjustments to AO's will be considered subsequently if still deemed necessary.
4	0115	198 th , IPW Section, at 1500H A/1/46 cpld 1 NVA PW vic BT188077. Rank: Pvt. He was staff political officer fr 1st Plat, 2d Co, 155 Bn (NVA). Strength of his unit was 600. Infiltration group #347. Letter Bn Ky 15070. Unit loc Binh Anh Village vic BT2325. Their mission: preparing to atk Tam Ky Bridge within the next 5 days. 3 days ago unit given orders to prepare for general atk. Time unk, but believed to be soon. (OB has no info concerning this rpt).
5	2155	(delayed entry from 30 Jun) 2d ROK Bde, CPT Dewey, reported there were 2 gunships in western part of our AO ext. that had not checked in to their arty warning net. There was NGF and arty in the area. Request they check into net.
6	0730	196 th , C/4/21, BT161524, LZ's at 0709H, 0724H, 0738H. All complete.
7	0735	1st CAG, CAP 138, BS579923 at 0605H 2 PF were walking down road when mine went off. Ptl fd 1 PF KIA and the other WIA (E).
8	0750	196 th , Ref Journal entry #64 (30 Jun) change 2 unk type wpns to read: 1 Soviet 7.62 rifle, 1 Soviet 7.62 carbine.
9	0800	198 th , TCC, Lt Blanco requests we check w/Tam Ky to see if Opn PS85 can be cut back to the NS 15 grid line. 1/46 says this opn is interfering w/their scheme of maneuver. Passed to Tam Ky.
10	0900	TOC, Checked w/Americal Combat Center to see if they had any more details on accident w/RPG rkt launcher. LT Mahoy: Range safety officer: stated that CPT Smith attempted to fire the rkt 6 or 7 times. Rkt failed to fire. LT Mahoy then advised against trying further. CPT Smith tried 1 more time and rkt fired. Launcher blew up. LT Mahoy and Combat Center are conducting investigation of this incident
11	0920	SF/LO, (Ref Journal entry #78 and 70, 30 Jun) AO has been approved by SF Liaison Officer.
12	0930	11 th , S2 3/1, BS698368 at 0900H 3 VCS detained 30 Jun at BS701370 by B/3/1. Led S-2 to spider where they fd 1 auto rifle 7.65 LMC #037183 French Model (1929).
13	0945	11th, D/6/11 movement: 1st lift, dropped 105 from 5,000 ft, LZ 0630H, 2nd lift, LZ 0630H, 3rd lift, 0900H, 4th lift, 0900H, 5th lift, 1100H, 6th lift, 1100H, 7th lift, 1215H, 8th lift, 1215H, 9th lift, 1345H, 10th lift, 1345H, 11th lift, 1430H, 12th lift, 1500H, 13th lift, 1530H, move is not complete, will complete tomorrow.
14	0955	Tam Ky, BT163433 at 302115H, Thang Binh rec'd 4 rds 82mm fm N to S. Unk size unit fired mort. Friendly losses: 1 KHA.
15	1005	198 th , Rcn 1/6 CA, vic BT4103, PZ 0938H, LZ 0954H. HQ 198 th scty plat PZ 0915H, LZ 0932P. Both complete; both cold. A/1/52 - Movement complete at 1033H
16	1030	198 th , 1/6, BT388034 at 1009H, Gunships fired at bunker w/rkts. Large sec explo. Still getting sec explo. 1/6 is directing arty fire.
17	1042	196 th , A/4/21, BT134502 at 1033H, obs 1 VCS 250m fm their loc. Eng'd w/SA fire. Res: 1 KIA. No wpns or equip. 40 yrs old; wearing white clothes.
18	1042	196 th , C/4/21, BT147528 at 1015H, eng'd 3 VCS evading 75m fm their loc, wearing gray shirts and blk pants. Res: 3 KIA. No wpns or equip.
19	1052	198 th , Ref Journal entry #4. Change to read: NVA is a Political Officer fm the 70 th Bn.
20	1055	11 th , C/3/11 to Gia Vuc, 1st Lift out 0857H, 2 nd lift 0953H, 3 rd Lift 1033H, 4 th Lift 1143H. Move complete.
21	1108	196 th , R/2/1, at 1029H OP Dragon recd 10M-79 rds. Ret'd fire w/M-79 and HG. 1 US WHA. Dustoff called at 1045H. Called arty.
22	1120	198 th , CIDG CA, 1 st PZ BT192143 1037H, last PZ BT107144 at 1057H. Both cold. Complete
23	1125	196 th , CC-4/21, BT146529 at 1015H, obs 7-10 VC evading and hiding in hedgerow along river. Eng'd, Res: 7 VC KIA.
24	1125	196 th , 71 st Avn, BT144522 at 1015H, eng'd 3 VC evading. Res: 3 VC KIA.
25	1127	11 th , A/1/20, BS765350 at 1117H, eng'd 1 VC w/pack. Res: 1 VC KIA. Pack had C-rations, note book.
26	1130	SP/LO, Tien Phuoc *P128(Recon) 300500H-021800H, 40 personnel, corners BT0912, 1211, 1107, 0608. Ha Thanh *P148 (Recon) 40 pers, 010500H-041700H, corners BS 3274, 3674, 3277, 3677. C-148 (Clear and Search) 123 pers 010500H-041700H, corners BS3267, 3672, 3272, 3667. C-147, 84 pers, 300500H-021700H, corners BS3772, 3777, 4172, 4177. C-142, P-143, P-146 closed 291700H Jun. Ba To, P-118 closed 291800H Jun. Minh Long, P-92, P-96 closed 291900H Jun.
27	1135	D-26 Engr, BT292200 at 1120H 1 Chicom frag gren on N side of road. Blown in placer, NCD.
28	1135	Div Avn and FSE at 1130H rpt A/C down and burning at BS444788. Div Avn rpts hook and gunship collision at BS395800. Passed to 198 th . 198 th , COL Marlow, boxcar rotors went out of place, nosedived. Burst into flame. All apparently killed. As it came down it hit a gunship. Gunship was able to set down safely. Div Avn: 5 aboard A/C. 1220H, gunship extracted. 1235H SFC Wilson rpts 4 bodies have been fd at BS394797. All bodies recovered.

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29	1140	198 th , D/1/52, 501952 at 1100H used utility ship to take man to rear element. Picked him up at 1132H fm above coord. Man had sprained ankle. Res: 1 NBW.
30	1150	A-39 Engr, BT222710 at 0940H, fd 1 bamboo pressure mine, 15 lb TNT. Removed and dest.
31	1150	A-39 Engr, BT222170 at 0940H, fd 1 bamboo pressure type mine 2 blocks TNT. Removed and dest.
32	1150	196 th , HQ/3/21, BT025343 at 1110H, recd 1 rd sniper fire fm tree. Res: 1 WHA (M), .30 cal carb rd. did not go all the way into body.
33	1200	196 th , C/4/21, BT145521 at 1135H, eng 1 VC in tunnel w/SA fire. Res: 1 19 yr old VC KIA. Blk PJs – no wpn or equip.
34	1218	11 th , R/3/1 at 1218H, 1 plat departed in 1218H.
35	1235	1/1, Sgt Ayres, BT250395 at 1235H, A/C receiving a lot of SA fire, going to put in airstrike.
36	1245	DTOC, SSG Crocket, ref Journal entry #77, 30 June 68. Passed req for sniffer mission fm ROKs to 196 th Bde. They probably will not run – will inform DTOC. APD device not operable at this time.
37	1245	Quang Ngai, 21 st RAC, BS325601 at 1015H, A/C flying around vic BS325601 recd 5-10 rds of AW fire fm above coord. Neg hits, neg cas.
38	1310	196 th , CC/2/1, BT0431 at 1210H, recd 5 rds SA fire w/NCD enroute to Baldy to West.
39	1320	1/1, TOC, Sgt Osburn, acknowledges change #1 to frag order 57-68.
40	1333	A-39 Engr, BT237175 at 1225H, fd 1 mine approx 10 lb TNT. Removed mine fm road and dest.
41	1412	1/1, F-8 Cav, BT250495 at 1230H, 3 acft working area rec'd hvy SA and AW fire. Acft took no hits. 2 airstrikes went in area. Res of 1st: 5 structures dest, 1 secondary explosions. 2nd: 21 structures dest, 3 secondary explosions.
42	1433	196 th , Ipswich USMC Recon, at 1400H, obs 8 VC moving off trail into hut wearing packs and carrying rifles. Arty called. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
43	1440	198 th , A/1/46, BT82086 at 1412H, obs 2 VC w/AK-47, following them. Left small unit behind to amb VC. VC threw HG at small unit then fled W. Res: 1 WHA (M).
44	1145	2d ROK, BT041588 at 1437H, est 25 VC obs. CAP 3 calling gunships now.
45	1147	1/1, B/2/1, BT185540 at 1430H, 2 MAM evading. Res: 1 VC KIA, 1 VC WIA.
46	1158	196 th , Req F-8 Cav to fly Rcn and screen mission for 4/31 vic BT0121-AT9621. Friendlies at AT9819 and AT9818, 0800H-1000H, hvy tm. Come up on Barnstorm 60.60. Req F-8 to fly VR for 201 fm 1000H-1200H. Friendlies at Dragon OP and BT0031. AO: BT0121-AT9731, BT0133-AT9733.
47	1505	A-39 Engr, at 1215H, fd 1 bamboo firing device w/6 lbs of nitro starch and 4 blasting caps. Removed fm road and dest.
48	1505	A-39 Engr, BT244179 at 1330H, fd 1 mine approx 10 lb nitro starch. Removed fm road and dest.
49	1507	196 th , Que Son at 0900H, B-3 rating, 1 NVA Bn, 21 Regt, at AT963316, AT970323, AT975323. OB comment: 21 st Regt is operating down S in Kontum Prov.
50	1507	196 th , Que Son (C-1 rating) 1 NVA Bn fm San Hoa loc at AT975336 moved to AT972337. They have recon sqd at AT099337. Bn has 450 men. Wear khakis. Mission: Atk LZ Ross and Que Son. G-2 TOC comment: 196 had LRP tm working in above area 2 days ago and had neg sightings.
51	1535	11 th , B/1/20, BS835372 at 1517H obs 3 VCS. CIA 1 VCS, 1 VCS evaded. 1 VCS hid in tunnel. 1 VC KIA by HG and 1xM-1 CIA, SN 4328077. 2xhammocks, 1xfirst aid kit, and 2xM26 H/Gren CIA.
52	1525	1/1, C/1/1, BT180537 at 1520H, air strike assessment. Completed at 1230H. 1 VC KIA, 2 bunkers destroyed, 8 military structures destroyed.
53	1545	11th, TOC, 11th Bde wants to change LPPR AO's. Old Gold's AO to remain the same. Parliament: BS3748, 4048, 3751, 4051. Chesterfield: BS4942, 5242, 4939, 5239. Passed to Quang Ngai. Gave to SF/LNCO for approval. Got approval from Quang Ngai. SF will have element working N of Chesterfield AO, passed to 11th Bde. Msg sent to III MAF at 2000H.
54	1548	196th, CC/2/1, AT975330 at 1514H, obs 3 VCS carrying unk object. Eng'd w/ M-60 MG, res: 1 VC KIA, wearing blk PJ's.
55	1548	198th, D/5/46, air move to LZ Buff, complete at 1535H.
56	1550	CLDC, TOC, SS III having test of siren at 1630H. Going to condition Green at 1800H.
57	1611	196th, C/3/21, 038216 at 1530H, eng'd 1 VCS evading SW w/SA fire. Res: 1 VC KIA. Wearing khaki shorts and black shirt. No ID or wpn.
58	1635	198th, R/1/6, BT402043 at 1430H, found 1 VC base camp containing 14 bunkers. Area large enough to hold 40 indiv. Fresh footprints in area, est used in last 3 days. Found 1 grave with a stick and a star used for grave marker.
59	1720	G-3, MAJ Davis, rec'd call from 1st USMC Div. One of our acft (Rattler 20) was firing on some friendly troops at ZC2043. Called 1st Mar Div. They don't know how ground unit knew what unit acft was from because they did not have radio contact. They will investigate and call back.
60	1720	196th, OP 2/1, AT999320 at 1650H, obs 3 VC, 1 w/wpn. Called FAC who eng'd w/rkts. Res unk.

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61	1720	(delayed entry from 30 Jun) Firefly mission request. Start 89 grid line E to 01 grid line, then along Song Tra Bong and Song Chang Rivers. Time: 012100H to 020400H. Like to brief pilots 1 hr prior to takeoff at LZ Baldy. Passed to Avn.
62	1730	198th, R/1/6, BT405045 at 1727H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA, 1xAK-47 SN 10090089 CIA along with 5 Chicom HG's.
63	1730	196th, MAJ Calhoon, preliminary plans for employment of 4/3 Inf, they go to LZ Baldy by fixed wing. Move 2 Co's by Hook to LZ Ryder and they will walk in to the SW of Ryder and then NW into Antenna Valley and secure a PZ for other 2 Co's. Other 2 Co's will be air moved either from Baldy or Ross into the secure LZ's.
64	1800	1/1, B/1/1, BT250395 at 1710H, 3 air strikes eng'd at 1440H. 1 VC KIA. 26 military structures destroyed and 9 bunkers. 4 secondary explosions, approx 100 lbs each. The secondary explosions came from the structures.
65	1818	1st CAG, CAP 136, BS574973 at 1630H, villagers brought in a small boy, 10 yrs old, w/shrapnel wounds. He hit a BT on a trail. Dustoff called.
66	1850	11th, VT of AO, BS618475, obs 2 underwater entrances to N bank of Svoi Cav Lim Stream. The stream bed was dry. At BS616539, obs 1 AW position in open field by a hedgerow. 100% coverage of AO.
67	1900	196th, C/3/21, BT032224 at 1815H, eng'd VC hiding in bushes, res: 1 VC KIA.
68	1930	196th, B/3/21, BT088276 at 1845H, obs 4 VC in open 1000m E of location. Blk PJ's, 1w/pack, arty called, 1 VC KIA.
69	1930	196th, C/4/21, BT147520 at 1913H, obs 1 VC evading, eng'd w/SA, res: 1 VC KIA. White shirt and blk pants. Neg ID or documents.
70	2010	1/1 Cav, C/1/1, BT185515 at 2002H, rec'd 20 to 30 rds sniper fire. Res: 1 WHA (E). Eng'd w/SA fire. EM wounded was from B/2/1, 196th, OPCON to C/1/1.
71	2200	198th, LT Taylor, BT438022 at 1710H, same area that CS was put in 30 Jun 68. COL Thomas obs q portion of the area burning at above time from his CC. A great deal of blk smoke was coming from 1 of the CS containers.
72	1230	(delayed entry) 196th, 4/31, AO request, time: 030001H-060600H. Loc: S from present AO boundary along AT 96 N-S grid line to 16 E-W grid line, E along 16 to present AO boundary. Passed to Tam Ky and SF Liaison NCO. Both approved. Passed to 196th as approved at 1645H.
73	1320	(delayed entry) 5th SF, req AO ext for Opn Trailblazer, a SF Opn from 030600H to 132400H July. Area bounded by ZC1838 S to ZC180345 to ZC186330 SE to ZC210312, then NE to AT790318, then S to AT794306 then follow stream bed E and NE to AT810311, then N to AT8138, W to ZC1838. Request immediate reply. Passed to 196th at 1548H. Approved by 196th, LT Vosburg. Msg sent to 5th SF DaNang.
74	1750	1st USMC Div, MAJ Wise, G-3 COL Bohn, and G-2 LTC Butler, will be arriving at 0900H 2 Jul 68.
75	2229	196th, A/4/21, BT149503 at 1640H, found 2 containers of polished rice, approx 400 lbs, found under hay stacks. Will evac.
76	2229	196th, C/4/21, BT149526 at 2145H, found 1300 lbs rice, will evac.
77	2230	196th, A/4/21, BT148525 at 1930H, found buried in river bank 10x100 lb bags rice, Ho Chi Minh sandals, pack, clothes. Will evac.
78	2259	1/1, C/1/1, BT200500 at 2230H, had 5 incoming mortar rds, 82mm and 5-6 rds SA. Res: 1 WHA (M). EM is from B/2/1. Fire returned.
79	2332	Quang Ngai, 2d ARVN, BS664749 at 2330H, reports receiving mortar rds, 82mm. Rec'd 8-10 rds, Neg casualties. ARVN's. 4 WIA's, 4 tracks damaged.
80	2400	Opns Summary: Americal units cont'd combat opns in the Div AO w/light contact reported. In Opn Wheeler/Wallowa, C/4/21 conducted a CA to vic BT161524 at 0738H. The LZ was cold. A C&C ship for 4/21 eng'd 10 VC vic BT146529 killing 7. The 5/46 began extraction from the Vance Canyon AO with C, D, and Recon air moving to the Chu Lai TAOR. While these moves were in progress, a mid-air collision occurred between a CH-47 and gunship, both aircraft crashed, all 5 crew members of the CH-47 were killed. There were no casualties on the gunship which has been extracted. The CH-47 burned on the ground. The 3/1 Inf initiated opns in the Song Re River Valley. C/3/1 and D/6/11 Arty were air moved to Gia Vuc, R/3/1 moved to Ha Thanh and R/1/20 moved to Minh Long. Americal Division Totals: 5 KHA, 1 WHA (E), 4 WHA (M), 27 VC KIA, 2 IWC, 1 CSWC.
81	2400	Journal Closed.

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2	0005	196th, C/4/21, BT147519 at 012335H, heard noises outside perimeter, fired at noises. Checked and found blood trail which led to a bunker. Challenged bunker w/neg response. Threw HG inside. Res: 3 VC KIA. 3 detainees held, 1 of them slightly wounded. Found some docs and clothing inside.
3	0125	CLDC, III MAS, at 0125H the III MAS NCO club is on fire and fire trucks have been dispatched. Have another fire at Div Arty mess hall. Sending trucks from MAG-12 & 13. At 0210H, both fires are out of control. At 0245H, fire at Div Arty mess hall produced by grease. Indiv tried to put it out w/CO2 and it spread. Galley of cooking area destroyed. Mess area OK and fire under control w/neg casualties.
4	0202	11th, Binh Son, BS609904 at 0020H, contact began at the refugee camp in Binh Son. Rec'd 2 satchel charges inside camp. Rec'd 4 rds 81 or 82mm mortar. 1 landed inside compound and 3 outside. Neg damage or casualties. 5 satchel charges fell to SW of compound. Arty was called. Obs 1 large secondary explosion, BS608917. Contact broken at 0044H. Will check refugee camp at 1st light in morning. The bridge rec'd no contact.
5	0255	III MAF, Red Haze, BS185615 at 0255H, report significant emissions at above grid. CPT Kerr request clearance for Sky Spot. Granted, with Amcal nearest friendlies 20K's away.
6	0300	Ref journal entry #4, change 4 rds of 82mm to 60mm rds.
7	0020	2d ROK Bde, H&S, Co rec'd fire & returned fire at 0010H.
8	0250	Quang Ngai, 2d ARVN, Opn 263, 020200H to 030200H, coord BS613634, BS628620. Type operation: infiltration. 1 plat of 693 RF Co, call sign, Drafty Lamb Papa, frequency 41.1. Opn 259, 021200H to 031200H, vic BS568594, BS572598, BS572585, type operation: containment, 3 plats of PF's 83, 84, 170 plats, call sign Draft Lamb Papa, frequency 41.4.
9	0210	11th Bde, at 0130H, MACV reports 4 wounded civilians at BS863315, hit by arty. They are taking them to BS865314 for treatment. 11th Bde checked with arty battery on LZ Thunder and they haven't fired since 011300H, no H&I tonight. Further info: mortars had fired on grid at 0100H, BS863304.
10	0745	Div Arty, S-2, 3/18 Arty at OP1 (BS517778), have a VC returnee, they have been trying to get someone from the 11th Bde to come and pick him up for almost a week. Passed to 11th Bde to have someone to pick him up.
11	0818	11th, TOC, vic BS327621 at 0740H, inserted LRRP Old Gold at 0740H vic BS327621. Inserted Parliament 0806H at BS370498.
12	0820	198th, A/1/46, vic BT187093 at 0750H, rec'd 20xrds of 60mm resulting in 1 KHA, 10 WHA (E), believe mortars came from SW. Dustoff complete 0810H, fired counter fire North, South, East & West.
13	0820	196th, LRRP Raleigh extracted to LZ Ryder at 0820H.
14	0825	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT195484 at 0819H, obs 1 MAM evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
15	0832	11th, TOC, LRRP Chesterfield, inserted vic BS496403 at 0825H.
16	0840	11th, A/3/1, vic BS778542 at 0830H, eng'd unk number of VC resulting in 1 VC KIA.
17	0850	198th, B/1/52, vic LZ Paradise, B Co (-) air moved from Son Tra to LZ Paradise at 0800H.
18	0905	11th, A/4/3, air move to Chu Lai complete at 0858H.
19	0938	11th, D/3/1, vic BS706555 at 0920H, receiving incoming mortar rds from BS706555, a total of 3x60mm rds, res: 1 KHA, 3 WHA (E), 1 WHA (M).
20	1005	Tam Ky, TOC, at 1005H, QT-336-XD has terminated, neg results.
21	1006	S-2, 39th Engr, A/39, vic BT200161 at 0745H, found mine with bamboo & bamboo frag fuze firing device, on top of sand bag filled with C-4, placed on top of directional frag mine, removed and destroyed.
22	1016	196th, Rcn/2/1, vic Dragon Base (BT000315) at 0805H, rec'd SA fire, called arty, small arms fire stopped.
23	1016	196th, C/2/1, vic BT075375 at 0815H, rec'd sniper fire from 5 VC, returned fire, checked area, found 1 VC KIA, no wpn or ID, wearing black PJ's, also found 1 blood trail.
24	1105	196th, TOC, at 1105H, Sniffer Mission: AT912401, 913404, 914405, 915409, 910339, 912338, 913332, 914332, 915331, 916321, 917330, 918330, 919330. Max readings: 926380, 924377, 932377, 934359, 929353, 922357, 907335.
25	1105	196th, B/4/31, vic AT98201779 at 1030H, obs 2 NVA in open, wearing green uniforms with wpns, arty called, res: 2 NVA KIA, confirmed by field glasses, will sweep area tomorrow.
26	1105	11th, D/3/1, vic BS696545 at 0930H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VCS WIA/CIA (M).
27	1130	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT170522 at 1122H, detained 2 military age females.
28	1130	196th, A/4/21, at 1047H at BT165498, obs 1 VC evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA. At BT162497, eng'd 2 VC evading, res: 2 VC KIA. At BT163497, 1 VCS gave himself up, will be evac.
29	1135	196th, F/8 Cav, vic AT961309, F/8 Cav believes there is a VC Co in the area. Rec'd a lot of SA fire, called arty, good coverage, gunships expended their ordinance, gunships rec'd ground fire.
30	1145	11th, TOC, C/4/3, movement complete 1108H, R/4/3 movement complete 1138H.
31	1145	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT210540 at 1135H, UH-1C rec'd SA & AW fire, took 2 hits, not flyable.

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33	1203	196th, F/8 Cav, vic AT972316 at 0959H, obs 2 MAM evading, eng'd with SA, res: 1 VC KIA.
34	1205	196th, CC/2/1, vic BT003323 at 0946H, CC rec'd 6 rds sniper fire. Returned fire with MG's. Dragon Base called arty on area.
35	1210	196th, OP/2/1, vic AT992305 at 1135H, rec'd 5xSA sniper rds, 2xM-79 rds w/NCD, returned fire with SA and arty, arty had good coverage, firing stopped.
36	1215	198th, LT Blanco, at 1235H, 5/46 Inf assumed command of new AO.
37	1222	198th, Rcn/1/6, vic BT387046 at 1132H, point man got engaged with 5 VC w/packs & wpns, traveling SW, VC evaded out of area (hvy underbrush), res: 1 US WHA (E).
38	1348	1/1, B/2/1, vic BT193520 at 1225H, eng'd unk number of VC in a tunnel, res: 5 VC KIA, 1xK-44 SN C6829 CIA, 1xmap CIA. Will evac map and wpn. Tunnel is a large complex, unit still searching tunnel.
39	1350	198th, R/1/46, vic 23413 at 1336H, rec'd 3 rds of sniper fire from BT221132, fired mortar at BT221132 with neg results.
40	1417	39th Engr, A/39, BT209164 at 1140H, found mine, bamboo pressure type with frag bomb type fuze, placed on 10 lbs of 4 Grade concrete type of explosives, removed mine and destroyed.
41	1438	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT332317 at 1430H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
42	1510	11th Bde, LRRP Old Gold, vic BS319903 at 1000H, obs 2 NVA w/packs in wood line moving south.
43	1510	11th Bde, LRRP Parliament, vic BS380487 at 1130H, obs 3 VC in PJ's, soft hats, w/pack & wpns.
44	1515	G-5, at 1100H, 5 VN nationals on contract to haul garbage for the past were injured at the dump while unloading garbage by a hand grenade that was set off by either burning or by having the handle removed in the process of unloading the truck.
45	1518	196th, D/3/21, vic BT134220 at 1455H, rec'd 20 to 30 rds of sniper fire, 400 meters west of their location, calling in arty.
46	1518	196th, OP 2/1, vic BT003313 at 1356H-1500H, has been receiving sniper fire from AT990310. Neg casualties, firing arty on suspected enemy location, not receiving fire at this time.
47	1545	5th SFG LNO, new four corner coord for Opn C-127 (Tien Phuoc) BT0715, 0711, 1111, 1115. Route of patrol: BT084144, 076132, 083122, 095112.
48	1542	11th, Aero Scouts, vic BS592412 at 1400H-1500H, while on Air Recon, Aero Scouts obs unk number of VC, inserted Inf at 1400H, contact was made by Inf, res: 18 KIA, 6 were dressed in khaki, 8 dressed in green uniforms, 4 in black PJ's, all were carrying packs and Chicom HG. Inf rec'd only a few rds, Inf had 2 WHA Dustoff to Duc Pho, Inf was extracted at 1500H. 11th Bde says this unit seems to be a transportation unit.
49	0700	(delayed entry) Tam Ky, CPT India, BT342190 at 0700H, sweep of 60mm site area. Found 3 pools of blood, 1 VC KIA, 3 probable. CIA 3x60mm rds, 2xM26 HG's, 2xChicom HG's.
50	1608	196th, B/4/31, 974174 at 1415H, obs 30 NVA in open w/hvy camouflage and wpns and packs. Called arty and air strike. Res: 10 KIA by arty, 20 KIA by air.
51	1630	Navy UDT, LT Waggner, BS730970, surveying beach for possible amphibious landing. No illum in that area from 2000H to 0600H for tonight only.
52	1615	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT268374 at 1610H, 1 VC KIA.
53	1630	C-5th SF LO, 28-30 Jun 68: VN SF reports as of 30 Jun, 1 NVA Bn loc at AT839318 (F-3), 1 NVA Bn loc AT844322 (F-3), 1 NVA Bn loc AT795356 (F-3). Acft obs estimated Co cutting trees at AT871411. USAF reported heavily used trail vic AT799406 running E to W. USAF Opn P-4 made contact w/unk size force at ZX209397 w/neg results.
54	1715	196th, Que Son Dist, 1st Bn, 21st NVA Regt, is loc at AT963316, AT970323. VC request money from the civilians to pay the NVA. (B-3). The VC are organizing political classes at AT987338. (C-2). OB: stated 21st Regt loc in Kontum Prov. Could be 3d Regt.
55	1735	CLDC, going to condition "Green" at 1800H.
56	1740	1/1, TOC, BS213438, helo rec'd fire, arty being fired.
57	1745	11th, LRRP Parliament, BS380488 at 1725H, obs 16 VN moving in W direction. 1 had wpn, 3 w/packs. Arty was not called.
58	1755	Ref journal entry #49, should read: 23 VC KIA.
59	1800	Tam Ky, CPT India, BT342190 at 0110H, rec'd 4xB-40 rfts from BT342194. Returned fire.
60	1800	Tam Ky, Ly Tin, BT385177 at 2300H, 1 plat VC in Ly Tro refugee camp. Placed mines and left.
60	1848	(note: there are 2 entries for journal entry #60) 198th, B/1/6, BT446020 at 1830H, obs unk type explosion vic above coord. Putting out some type of gas fumes.
61	1850	TOC, Avn, CPT Jordan, reported that 11th Bde was requesting a helo to fly a part of their control-mortar radar to Duc Pho tonight. Approved by G-3, passed to CPT Jordan.

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	0120	1/1, B/2/1, BT183520 at 0055H, sprung ambush, res: 1 VC KIA.
3	0150	196th, A/4/31, AT993183 at 0048H, rec'd 1 explosive rd in their position, res: 1 KHA, 1 WHA (evac). Possible 105 rd, arty or RR fire. Arty continues investigation.
4	0455	196th, Fire Fly, BT0121-AT8924 at 0411H, mission completed, neg sightings.
5	022218	(delayed entry) 198th, CAP 134, vic BT622013 at 022213H, rec'd SA fire in their compound, contact broken 022220H.
6	022300	(delayed entry) Quang Ngai, 2d ARVN: Opn QT 60-T, 030500H, 1 day, 4/5 Bn, 3/4 Bn, grids BT2531, BT3431, BT4023, BT2623. Opn QT 346, 4/6 Bn, 1 day, 030300H, grid BT2622, BT2222, BT_219, BT2619. Opn 55-482, 030500H, 2 days, 1/5 Bn, 1/4 Bn, APC 36 & 38, RF Group 424, RF Co 337 Recon, grids BS6582, BS7582, BS6568, BS7568. 198th notified of all 3 operations: SGT Bertucci 022323H.
7	022320	(delayed entry) 196th, 71st Avn, vic BT0731 at 2300H, rec'd AW fire, returned fire w/rockets & mini guns, neg hits, sunk 2 sampans, one loaded, one unloaded.
8	Unk	Quang Ngai, SFC Billings, Operations: #169 022300H, 1 day, (Binh Son), freq 46.4, cordon & search, vic BS6099, 6299, 6097, 6297.
9	0732	11th, D/3/1, vic BS652562 at 0725H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
10	0740	196th, Fire Fly Mission, at 022345H, sank 2xsampans on Son Chang River in between grids NS 01 and NS grid 92 at coord BT005216.
11	0745	11th, B/3/1, vic BS6758 at 0655H-0742H, CA by B/3/1, 1st PZ 0655H, last LZ 0742H, all LZ's cold.
12	0800	SF/LO CPT Henderson, Special Forces Operations: Tien Phuoc: P-129 (40 per) Rcn, 010500H-051800H, vic BT1217, 1617, 1213, 1613. P-123 closed. Gia Vuc: P-153 (26 per) Rcn, 051900H-101900H, vic BS3219, 3224, 2619, 2624. P-152 (22 per) Rcn, 051900H-101900H, vic BS4428, 4432, 4928, 4932. Ha Thanh: P-150 (29 Americal & 6 CIDG) Rcn, 020700H-071700H, vic BS3764, 3364, 3367, 3767. Tra Bong: P-95 and p-97 ended 011220H. P-98 ended 011450H. P-99 ended 020845H. Minh Long: P-96 ended 011930H.
13	0815	11th, CC/3/1, vic BS665582 at 0825H, eng'd 2 VC evading, res: 2 VC KIA.
14	0815	11th, B/3/1, vic BS662584 at 0800H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA. 0815H, vic BS653580, B/3/1, eng'd 4 VC evading, res: 4 VC KIA. 0835H, vic BS673584, B/3/1, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
15	0816	196th, D/3/21, vic BT133226 at 0725H, D-6 questioned 1 VN female, she states that 15-20 MAM's dressed in green uniforms with packs had 2 hvy SMG's, 3 RPG's, 1 unk type mortar and were moving from N to W to BT140239. D-6 thinks at vic BT135233 he heard warning shots in that area, D-6 will check it out. Called 196th, woman was not detained, D/3/21 is checking area at present time.
16	0823	11th, LRRP Parliament, vic BS394506 at 0746H, obs 6 VC moving E, LRRP could not follow VC because 1 man has a bad leg.
17	0850	198th, D/1/46, vic BS199122 at 022130H, D/1/46 rec'd 30 rds AK-47 fire, called arty with negative results.
18	0850	198th, D/1/46, vic BT175133 at 011300H, spotted approx 6 VC, called arty, res: 3 VC KIA, were wearing black PJ's, no ID, wpns, or gear.
19	0856	196th, A/4/21, vic BT156480 at 0830H, rec'd 8 rds sniper fire, 270° from their location, est 1xsniper, they are maneuvering at this time.
20	0902	196th, FAC 4/31, at 0825H, rec'd 50 cal fire from 4 different directions, AT945161-AT943159-AT964157-AT977157. Hill 555 was where the most fire came from. Calling in air strike now.
21	0915	Minh Long SF A-1, USAF, at 0730H vic BS597495, Opn P-98 initiated raid on village vic BS597495 with neg friendly casualties, 3 VC KIA.
22	0915	Div Trans Office, Arty is planning a convoy, approx 13-15 vehicles from Tam Ky to FSB Young on 4 July. Notified SP4 Johnson, Tam Ky, asked him to pass this to MAJ Sheppard. Reminded him of agreement to outpost road & secure mine sweep team. Notified LT Blanco. 98th TOC.
23		Tien Phuoc, Opn P-129, 030500H-051800H, 4 corner coord BT1217, 1617, 1613, 1213, objectives: BT155140, 157153, 156163. Passed to 196th, 198th.
24		Tam Ky, SP4 McCullach, at 2105H, Tham/Bat-86, dtg of operation on 030500H for 3 days, it is a CIDG operation. Coord of Opn: BT1217, BT1617, BT1613, BT1213. 198th notified 022151H, SGT Bertucci.
25	021848	(delayed entry) Tam Ky, 4/6 Bn, operation for 1 day starting 030300H, AO is BT2222, BT2622, BT2219, and BT2619, operation QT 346. 4/5 Bn, 1/6 Bn, 3/4 APC, operation for 1 day starting 030500H, AO BT2631, BT3431, BT4023, BT2623, operation QT 60-T, 198th notified 022220H.
26	0930	196th, COL Galloway's Aide, have MAJ Powel give a concept of operations, the Secret message from yesterday, CPT Tumlinson to bring him to 196th Bde. Passed to MAJ Powel, he will take care of it.

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27	0920	196th, S-2, request 2 LRRP teams for an OP mission to observe routes of movement and to intercept any movement from the west into Que Son Valley. They want to keep this area under observation for three weeks, AO AT9133, AT9533, AT9531, AT9130.
28	0955	198th, TOC, at 0903H, CA 1st plt, PZ 0914H, LZ 0920H, C/1/52. CA 2nd plt, PZ 0903H, C/1/52 LZ's cold. 1 plt B/1/52, PZ Paradise, LZ Riverboat South, will be air moved unk time.
29	1025	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT322312 at 031025H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
30	0030	Quang Ngai, vic BT085080 at 021425H, a gunship accidentally fired a rocket at above coord seriously wounding the District Chief, killing 1 civilian, 7 PF's, 5 PF were wounded.
31	1030	198th, TOC, at 1030H, 1 plat of A/1/52 air moved to Riverboat South, PZ 1015H, LZ 1025H. The plat of B/1/52 will remain at Paradise.
32	1030	11th, D/3/1, vic BS652573 at 0945H, detained 2 VC evading.
33	1030	11th, CC/3/1, vic BS813437 at 021645H, detained 1 VC evading. Evac to LZ Bronco.
34	1113	11th, B/3/1, vic BS685588 at 0915H, detained 9 VCS found in a hootch, all men.
35	020820	(delayed entry) 11th, TOC, at 0820H, request AO ext from 030530H until 031800H, coord BS6459, BS6457, BS7059, BS7057. We would like to run two companies CA into area, we have intelligence reports that the 83rd Bn is in a village in that area, Quang Ngai notified 0905. Approved 021400H, PFC Seals, passed to 11th Bde, SP Spangler, approved by CG & G-3.
36	0900	ST/LO CPT Henderson, Special Forces operations: 1. Tien Phuoc area: C-127, 104 personnel, search and destroy, 020500H-051800H, vic BT0624, BT1324, BT1317, BT0617 (196th notified). 2. Ba To area: P-123, 41 personnel, recon, 021800H-061800H, vic BS5533, BS4826, BS5531, BS4631. P-124, 42 personnel, recon, 021830H-071800H, vic BS5533, BS5839, BS6236, BS5631. 3. Tra Bong area: P-100, 33 personnel, attack, 020530H-061900H, vic BS3888, BS4188, BS3683, BS4183. 4. Minh Long area: C-100, 94 personnel, recon, 040530H-081930H, vic BS4561, BS4554, BS5454, BS5461. P-99, 51 personnel, recon, 020500H-051900H, vic BS5249, BS5242, BS5749, BS8742.
37	1102	1/1, B/2/1, vic BT214525 at 1100H, eng'd unk number VC in spider hole, res: 3 VC KIA and 1 detainee.
38	1135	1/1, A/1/1, vic BT333295 at 1130H, detained 3 MAM hiding in hootch.
39	1200	11th, TOC, request AO ext of LRRP Old Gold, AO ext is BS3264, 3564, 3261, 3561, time 010600H-052400H. Wish to change to BS3264, 3564, 3260, 3560. Passed to Quang Ngai, passed to SFC Sheller SF/NCO, 1505H, approved SFC Sheller, msg sent to III MAF.
40	1205	11th, B/1/20, vic BS851323 at 1110H, obs 1 VCS evading, fired warning shot, VCS still evaded. CC ship picked him up, 18-22 yrs old, wearing white shirt, black shorts.
41	1215	196th, 4/3 air move to Baldy to Ryder: 1st lift, LZ 0850H, 2d lift, LZ 0857H, 3d lift, LZ0958H, 1st lift, LZ 0905H, 2d lift, LZ 0923H, 3d lift, LZ0927H, 4th lift, LZ0942H, 5th lift, LZ0953H, 6th lift, LZ 1010H. C/6/11 complete 1200H.
42	1245	Quang Ngai, FAC, vic BS052832 at 1100H, rec'd unk number of .50 cal fire, neg hits.
43	1300	196th, at Baldy: 1 plat of A/4/3, B Co, C Co, 1 recon plat, 1 hvy mortar plat as of 1238H. A Co is at Ryder.
44	1318	FSE, acft reports at above coords, there is a big cloud of CS gas and they had to fly around it, checked with 198th Bde, they dropped CS gas this morning vic BS461999 west to BS425990. Checked with S-3, 26th Engr at Fat City, they were receiving some CS gas, but did not know where it was coming from.
45	1405	198th, A/1/46, vic BT165104 at 1331, eng'd 1 VC on trail, res: 1 VC KIA, with web gear & Chicom HG.
46	1425	198th, A/1/46, vic BT164104 at 0730H, found 2 VC bodies, KIA by gunships. This morning gunships fired some ordnance in vic above coord. They accidentally killed 2 VC. A/1/46 was checking area when they found the bodies. Bodies were stripped and blood trails were in the area.
47	1500	1/1, B/2/1, vic BT215505 at 1340H, eng'd unk number of VC in a bunker, res: 4 VC KIA, 1xM-1 SN 248828, 1xM-16 SN 101547, 1x full mag of M-16 ammo CIA. Also picked up 2 detainees. Will evac to Hawk Hill.
48	1505	6th Sup, Minh Long, SFSS Assistant Intelligence Officer, reports refugees found vic BS6048, they are now at Minh Long vic BS535517.
49	1515	Div Trans, MAJ Bowden, at 1430H 4/3 completed air move to Baldy 1430H.
50	1515	11th, LRRP Old Gold, vic BS326616 at 1420H, LRRP in contact w/unk size force, res: 1 KHA. Aero Scouts on station, FAC on station, unit is attempting to extract LRRP team. They will have to extract w/rope because of location of team. Team reported VC base camp located at BS325605.
51	1516	39th Engr, C/39, vic BS749592 at 1405H, rec'd 5 rds of sniper fire from BS723591, no action taken.
52	1530	11th, E/1 Cav, vic BS690577 at 1515H, APC rec'd AW fire and RPG rds, res: 3 WHA (E). Also B&D 3/1 at same location rec'd fire.
53	1545	11th, LRRP Old Gold, extracted at 1530H.

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54	1555	196th, B/4/31, vic AT979174 at 1515H, obs a VC popping yellow smoke at the same time element was popping yellow smoke, there were 4 VC w/wpns & packs wearing black PJ's, called arty, rounds were on target, b-6 obs 4 VC KIA.
55	1622	196th, B/3/21, vic BT070201 at 1505H, obs 5 VC digging around a hole, 2 wearing fatigues w/packs, 3 black PJ's, 2000 meters S of their location, called arty, res: 1 VC KIA.
56	1520	198th, C/1/46, vic BT162158 at 1506H, VC turned himself in to C/1/46. He said a VC ammo dump loc at BT155049, also an NVA aid station vic BT145045 or BT155004. A Bn (-) loc at BT169167 or BT169172. Will evac to Bayonet.
57	1030	Americal MID (CI Eval C-3) at 1000H 3 July. 1.) At 2100H 24 June 1968, US Forces killed one VC and captured one female guerrilla named Ngo Thi Mai (reference previous report). The following information was received concerning member of the same unit: Tran Thi Man, Pham Thi Huon, Ngo Thi Trai, Nguyen Thang, Duon Thao, Bui Tuyen, and Tran Quang Anh, frequently located at BT435028 and BT458803. Ngo Thi Mai would know the hiding places for the above mentioned cadre. 2.) on 1 July 68, one NVA Bn, code unk, commanded by Pham Linh, est strength 100 men, were located at coord BT397073, Ky Thanh (V). This area is a low valley with heavy vegetation and cannot be observed by reconnaissance acft. The unit is reported to be conducting training in this area. They are armed with 6 auto rifles, 3 machine guns (cal unk), three 61mm mortars, 2 PRC-10 radios, and several indiv wpns. They intend to harass Ly Tin District HQ's and mortar Chu Lai Base approx 15 July. 3.) One guerrilla Co, code name unk, commanded by Nguyen Chien, est strength 30 men, frequently moved to location at coord BT435045. Their mission is to collect taxes, money and rice from the villagers in hamlets #7 and #8, Ky Sanh (V), and Khuong Tho (H), Ky Khuong (V). Their purpose is to prepare for harassment of the scattered US outposts in Ly Tin District during July 1968.
58	1400	196th, TOC, A CIDG recaptured by the name of Hung, joined the CIDG at DaNang RVN in March 1968 (exact date unk). Hung went to CIDG training camp near Kham Duc. After joining the CIDG in DaNang, he rec'd training at this camp for approx 1 month before it was attacked by VC/NVA forces. When the camp was attacked, the camp asked for reinforcements. After watching one gunship going down in flames, the defenders decided they would join forces w/US and Army forces at Kham Duc. An ARVN 2d LT named Fnu Loi was in command of evading CIDG forces. But he could not read a map and the entire group became lost, also 1 American doctor or medic with this group. When the CIDG elements left for Kham Duc there were approx 20 men. After being lost for 6 or 7 days they were hit by a B-52 strike at approx 0630H. The group split up at this time. When they regrouped after the air strike, there were only 12 men and 8 or 9 of them were wounded. Hung was also wounded and all of the men had lost their wpns. Hung did not know what had become of the other 8 men including the American doctor. After the air strike, the men started walking down the main road in that area and were captured by 3 armed NVA soldiers at approx 1200H. The 3 NVA soldiers took their captives into the mountains for 2 or 3 days, they just walked around. The apparent motive was to make their captives lose their sense of direction. They were captured according to a VC document on the 10th of May 1968. After spending 2 or 3 days in the mountains they returned to the US Army base camp (Kham Duc), although the base camp was destroyed by air strikes, the NVA now occupied the base camp. The captured CIDG men were guarded by 7 to 8 NVA at times. They spent one night at the Kham Duc base camp. Hung gave the strength of the NVA forces in the base camp at this time to be approx 200-300. The captives stayed at the Kham Duc base camp one night. They were resupplied and left under guard at 0500H the next morning. They spent 4 days in the mountains with their NVA guards and then were turned over to the VC Montangard guerrilla forces. The Montangards took the 11 captives and left Hung behind because he was wounded too badly to keep up. Hung stayed in the area with the local people to recover from his wounds. He does not know the amount of time he spent at this location, he believes it was over 20 days. When he got well enough to travel, 2 VC took him on a 2 day journey. At the end of the 2 days the VC took him across a river and pointed out the way to Que Son and released him. The VC gave him a release paper at this time dated 30 June 1968, which is still in his possession. Hung started out for Que Son. He stopped to ask some people on the road the way to Que Son, they told him it would be better to go to Son Loc to get assistance. When he arrived in Son Loc he met 2 interpreters wearing Americal patches. They told him they did not have a place for him to stay but arranged for him to stay with the people for one night. The next morning a helicopter came to the village and picked him up. The helicopter took him to a hill (possibly LZ Center) where he rec'd medical treatment. An unidentified American Captain gave him another helicopter ride. He arrived at LZ Baldy at approx 1400H 2 July and was debriefed by CI personnel upon his arrival. Hung was never indoctrinated, beaten, or harmed in any way by the VC/NVA. He desires to report back to his old unit in DaNang as soon as possible for medical treatment and return to duty. SF LNO working to get him back to DaNang, passed to C Co, 75th SF by CPT Henderson 1530H.
59	1500	196th, D/2/1, vic AT984364 at 1213H, unit found the following under bushes covered with leaves, all wpns in good shape: 1x60mm mortar w/base plate and aiming stake and sight, 1xM-60 MG SN 20589, 2xM-16 (handwritten addition after report typed), 1xSKS SN 277252, 5xK-44's, 1xChinese MG, 1xcarbine, 2xM-1 rifles, 1xRL RPG, 4xB-40 rkt rds, 16x60mm rds, 40xM-16 magazines, 1xBAR mag, 3,000 rds of SA ammo, 40xsets of American uniforms (assorted), 200xlbs of polished rice, 300xlbs of unpolished rice, 150xlbs rock salt. Also detained 1 VCS.
60	1540	TOC to 196th, ref journal entry #58. Following passed to 196th for questioning of CIDG recaptured: 1. Condition of Route 14 around Kham Duc? 2. Condition of Route 534 from Kham Duc to Hiep Duc? 3. Wheeled/tracked vehicles or tracks on roads? 4. Arty wpns observed? 5. 23mm/37mm AA? 6. US bodies/NVA bodies? 7. Number of enemy and wpns observed? Passed to SGT Kenlaw 1540H.

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61	1625	11th, Aero Scouts, at 1600H, made recon of Song Ve Valley with neg results. At vic BS5242, conducted recon with neg results. At BS570444, obs 2 males in khaki uniforms, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, inserted 4 infantrymen, but undergrowth was too heavy.
62	1625	11th, A/3/1, vic BS796467 at 1600H, rec'd 1 rd SA fire, 1 US WHA (E), hit in right collar bone.
63	1630	Quang Ngai, TOC, at 1630H, 1 PF hit a mine, res: 1 KHA, 1 US Advisor WHA, vic BS692803. 1 VN WHA vic BS710795.
64	1630	G-5, A/3/21, at 021300H, 5 refugees from vic BT096237 to Tam Ky by A/3/21.
65	1630	CLDC at 1630H, alert condition Green at 1800H.
66	1630	G-5, A/3/21, at 011300H, 117 refugees from vic BT104367 to Tam Ky by A/3/21.
67	1655	Minh Long, SF IPW Team, vic BS6051, questioning of refugees resulted in negative significant information. Refugees were from vic BS6051 as a result of air strike and CIDG operations in the area, they have seen no VC/NVA in sometime.
68	1700	11th Bde, VR, 0700H-0745H, results of VR mission of 11th Bde AO. 0835H, BS616497, obs AW pos. 0835H, BS614503, obs AW pos. 0835H, BS6152, obs 17 indiv moving N in a column. 0855H, BS810468, obs 6 fox holes bordering N and S edge of well-used trail. 0755H, BS775375, obs 8 fox holes. 1000H, BS658459, obs secondary explosion 200' high from air strike on suspected ammo cache. Unit had 100% coverage of AO.
69	1820	1/1, B/2/1, at 1345H, read-out on 2 detainees, ref journal entry #47. Name: Vo Thi, 16 yrs old. Hamlet: Binh Duong (5), BT205505. He was a hamlet guerrilla for 1 month, armed with a K-44. The wpn was hidden in a tunnel. Tunnel was destroyed. Name: Quang Duc, 18 yrs old, from hamlet Binh Duong (5). He was a guerrilla for 2 months. Armed with a K-44 which was in the same tunnel as above. He said a V-15 VC Co (30 men) was in his hamlet yesterday.
70	1920	11th Bde, LRRP Parliament, present loc, BS394506. LRRP Chesterfield, present loc BS498410.
70	1830	(note: there are 2 entries for journal entry #70) Americal MID CI, 8th ARVN Eval (C-3), CI Eval (F-6). As of 1900H, 2 July 68, a VC Bn, coded as the 409th, commanded by Duoc, moved from Ky Chanh to Kha Nha in the vic of BT395097, BT402099, and BT416093. They are armed with 2xB-40's, 3x60mm mortars, 2x80mm mortars, and indiv wpns. They intend to mortar Chu Lai Base and Ly Tin Dist HQ. As of 2000H, 2 July 68, a VC Bn coded as the 601st, commanded by Nguyen Ngoc Lich, consisting of approx 270 men, moved from Quang Ngai to vic BT358084, BT364087, and BT363079. They are armed with 3x82mm mortars, 4x57RR rifles, 2x60mm mortars, 3x.30 cal MG, 5xB-40's, and 2xPRC-10's. They also have approx 100 laborers. They intend to attack Ba Bau Bridge BT498067 and Ba Miec Hill, coord unk. Source reports that this unit has ARVN uniforms and may use these uniforms when making the attacks on the above mentioned sites. Agent's notes: This office has no way to determine the source of this info, therefore we are forced to give F-6 eval.
71	1900	I DASC, G-3 Air, at 1900H, strikes QN 609 and 610 were hit at 1900H.
72	1910	Tam Ky, TOC (Ky Trung PF's), BT378250 at 0630H, hit unk type mine, res: 2 KHA, 2 WHA (E). (Info only).
73	1910	Tam Ky, TOC, 4/5 Bn, BT300282 at 1430H, made contact, res: 8 VC KIA, 1 VC CIA. 1xM-1 carbine and 1xM-16 CIA. (For info only).
74	1950	196th, C/3/21, BT043237 at 1830H, obs 1 VC evading 100 meters S of location, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA. 18 yrs old, neg ID.
75	1956	Quang Ngai, 2d ARVN, QT 60-T terminated 1800H. Res: 10 VC KIA, 2 IWC, 2 KHA, 2 WHA.
76	1910	Tam Ky, Ky Trung PF's, BT376256 (for info only) at 0710H, made contact with unk number VC, res: 2 KIA.
77	2024	11th, C/3/1, BS375369 at 1700H, obs 10 VC. Called arty. Res: 1 VC KIA. Also found numerous blood trails.
78	1910	Census Grievance, at 1630H (C-2), VC sqd commanded by Huyn Chi Hyng, loc BT496137, BT505143, BT509125. Mission: keep abreast of OP's, loc Ky Hoa, assassinate PF cadre.
79	1910	Lee Tin, S-2, at 1430H, 1 VC sqd commanded by Tong Hue. Loc: Duc Bo Hamlet. Mission: harass civilians in Ly Tra and kidnap a PF commander's daughter. Her name: Dang Thi Thu Mai, 16 yrs old. Lives in village of Ky Chanh. Given to OB for readout.
80	1910	Ly Tin, S-2, at 1200H (C-3), 1 VC main force Bn 409, 50 laborers, commanded by Duco, loc at BT372052 and BT377058. Mission: Attack Hill 54 or mortar Ba Bau Bridge from now to 5 July.
81	1930	198th, LRRP Tareyton: upper left-lower right-AT9131. New LRRP request: upperleft-ZC2025. Lower right: AT8020.
82	2124	11th, PF's, Duc Pho, BS798388 at 2105H, ambush and eng'd 6 VC, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 VC CIA, 1xK-50 CIA.
83	2200	11th, B/3/1, 684578 at 1000H, captured 1xM-1 carbine, SN 6364649.
84	2235	196th, Nu Loc Son L/O, BT019261 at 2210H, rec'd 30-40 rds AW fire. Called mortars on suspected loc, BT018269. Firing ceased.
85	2237	198th, RD and CAP K-4. BT454107 at 2153H, RD patrol reported 40 VC in area. RD rec'd sniper fire. Ret'd fire, req illum, res: 1 VC KIA. Ly Tin report same patrol rec'd 2xB-40 rockets.
86	2325	1st CAG, CAP 124, BT449107 at 2200H, PF informs that RD's made contact with 40 VC. Called illum, res: 1 VC KIA.

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	0055	G-3, CPT Barksdale for MAJ Krebs, at 0015H made a call to 1st Mar Div COC to duty officer requesting that 1st Mar Div make coord with the Hoi An Prov Advisor reference to conference held on 3 July at LZ Baldy pertaining to Pocahontas Forest. Asked the duty officer to pass this to the G-3 Section.
3	0115	1/1 Cav, C/1/1, BT245470 at 0100H, rec'd 4 rds 81mm mortar, 5 rds M-79, res: 2 WHA (evac), 1 WHA (minor). Eng'd w/SA fire with neg assessment.
4	021645	(delayed entry) 11th, LRRP Old Gold, at 1630H, debriefing by 11th Bde. LRRP said they were sighted 02 July 68 by individual in black PJ's, heard noises and warning shots last night. Got in contact at BS386608 031300H July, believed to be Co size force, enemy has AK-47 and were wearing tiger fatigues, res: 1 KHA, 1 WHA, 2 KIA.
5	0400	III MAF, G-3 Air, vic BS27404980 at 0400H, saw 13 camp fires in the open. Requested clearance and nearest friendlies. Given 9 K's east and 11 K's NE. Will call back when hit. Put in at 0523H, 12x750 lb bombs.
6	0645	198th, D/1/6, vic BT442042 at 0631H, hit booby trap, believed to be M26 HG, res: 2 WHA, 1 urgent (evac).
7	0725	11th, D/3/1, 0643H, D/3/1 to Liz complete at 0643H.
8	0745	198th, C/1/52, PZ 0604H, completed 0629H, LZ vic BT655013-BT653004, LZ cold.
9	0807	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT218466 at 0801H, obs 1 MAM evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
10	0820	Div IPW, CPT Looney, answers to questions asked CIDG recaptured: 1.) Obs large craters in Hwy 14 around Kham Duc from air strike. Obs no vehicles or tracks, only foot prints. 2.) Did not obs Hwy 534. 3.) Did not obs any vehicles on road. 4.) No arty wpns obs. 5.) No 23mm/37mm AA wpns obs. 6.) VC told him that many Americans and CIDG were killed. 7.) He obs 200-300 NVA when he returned to Kham Duc after US and CIDG evacuated Kham Duc.
11	0900	TOC, verified with CPT Johnson (ITOC Drop 36) that the 85 vehicle ARVN convoy, scheduled for 5 July from DaNang to Quang Ngai and return on 6 July is still on. Call sign is still Piney Uplift, freq: 48.7. Notified: 196th, LT Vasbury. 198th, LT Blanco. Div Arty AO, LTC Looper/SFC Johnson. Told units to have one MP vehicle escort convoy, 196th from boundary to Tam Ky, 198th from Tam Ky to Binh Son, and Div MP to Quang Ngai.
12	0910	11th, B/19 Engr, vic BS783434 at 1545H, 3 July, truck hit pressure detonated mine, gas tank was blown off, damage to cab minor, 1 US WHA (M).
13	1020	198th, C/1/46, assumed command of LZ East at 0900H.
14	1020	198th, D/1/46, vic BT192133 at 1000H, rec'd SA fire, returned with neg results, neg casualties.
15	1050	198th, TOC, at 1050H, A/5/46 closed Ha Thanh 1045H.
16	1055	196th, C/3/21, vic BT062245 at 1015H, obs 1 VC evading north wearing black PJ's, eng'd with SA, res: 1 VC KIA w/pack. Inside pack found 1 set of green fatigues, 1 pair socks, 2 khaki shirts, 1 khaki shorts. VC was between 35-40 yrs old.
17	1100	196th, F/8 Cav, vic AT964320 at 1022H, gunships obs 2 MAM evading, with short haircuts, wearing black PJ's, eng'd, res: 2 VC KIA.
18	1115	11th., Aero Scouts, vic BS607485 at 1055H, detained 1 VCS evading, evac to Minh Long, will return to Duc Pho later. 1 KIA, VC evading in green uniform.
19	1115	11th, Aero Scouts, vic BS555405 at 1056H, detained 1 VCS, evac to Minh Long, will return to Duc Pho later.
20	1122	11th, Rcn/1/20, vic BS461527 at 1055H, rec's sniper fire, returned fire with SA resulting in 2 VC KIA, 1x.45 cal grease gun, 1xK-44 CIA. There were 10-12 VC.
21	1150	196th, F/8 Cav, vic AT964320 at 1044H, obs 7 to 9 NVA wearing fatigues, heavy camouflage, w/packs & wpns in trench line, arty being called in due to F/8 Cav out of ordnance, will give results when available. Neg results.
22	1207	196th, C/3/21, vic BT069242 at 1145H, obs 2 VC evading north, eng'd, res: 2 VC KIA.
23	1248	11th, LRRP Parliament extracted at 1215H.
24	0937	196th, A/3/21, vic BT084227 at 0855H, obs 3 NVA 75 meters north of their location at BT084227, dressed in black PJ's & khaki uniforms, w/wpns. Eng'd with SA, res: 2 NVA KIA, 2xAK-47 rifles CIA, SN's 10054919, 10081453. 1 man 20 yrs old, 1 man black PJ's, 1 man khaki uniform, 1 man 25 yrs old, 1 M26 HG, 1 Chicom HG, documents indicate they were left behind to train VC to kill Americans. 31 Bn, 3d Regt, 2nd NVA Div.
25	1305	198th, TOC, vic BT370182 at 1245H, truck going north and VN truck going south, when they were even with each other the US truck hit mine, 3 VN WHA, called Dustoff, complete at 1250H. 198th TOC said road was closed north of above grid. Vehicle that hit mine was a low boy, right rear section blown off.
26	1312	1/1, A/1/1, vic BT325303 at 1315H, detained 3 VCS, will evac to Hawk Hill.
27	1340	198th, CC ship, vic BS155185 at 1335H, rec'd fire, 6-8 rds, neg hits. FAC id directing fire now.
28	1355	Div Trans Office, informed TOC that arty convoy will remain at FSB Young overnight tonight and return to Tam Ky tomorrow. Notified PFC Rydell, Tam Ky TOC and asked him to pass to MAJ Sheppard. Reminded him of 6th Regt responsibility to outpost road and secure road sweep team, notified LT Reasnor, 198th Bde TOC.

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29	1350	196th, boundary adjustment for 196th and 1/1 Cav, new boundary between 1/1 Cav and 196th will not go into effect at 041200H. Agreement made for that part of new boundary south of 35 E-W grid line to go into effect at 040400H July. The remainder of the boundary to go into effect at 051200H. Passed to SGT Ayres and MAJ Beardon.
30	1430	196th, TOC, air movements: E/3/21 LZ Center 0803H, complete. 1 plat C/1/46 LZ East 0825H, complete. 1 plat F Trp LZ Colt 0800H, complete. D/4/3 to Ross, PZ 0805H, LZ 0845H, complete. B/2/1, last lift 0948H, chopped to 2/1. A&B/4/31 0734H, 0924 complete. 4/3 HQ & E, PZ 0918H, complete 1420H LZ West. B-26/3/21 from East to Center 1020H-1118H, complete. B/4/3 PZ 0835H, complete 1420H. C/6/11 1152H, complete 1415H.
31	1437	1/1, A/1/1, vic BT325300 at 1420H, detained 2 VCS.
32	1450	196th, B/3/21, vic BT076206 at 1340H, obs 5 VC at stream, they were filling canteens and taking baths, called in arty, res: 1 secondary explosion, arty had good coverage, VC had packs and web gear.
33	1500	11th, LRRP Chesterfield, vic BS507411 at 1452H, had 1 POW, tried to escape, res: 1 POW KIA. Called 11th Bde to get additional info concerning circumstances, they tried to pull a snatch at BS51354088, VC pulled knife and ran, had to shoot.
34	1450	198th, R/1/6, HQ 198th Inf air move to Hill 69, 1st PZ 1420H, LZ 1435H. Rec'd fire from the north at the PZ's (BT371052).
35	1500	11th, CPT Henderson, results of air strike, 60% of bombs in box, 80% coverage of box, many trees knocked down.
36	1520	TOC, ref journal entry #11, convoy has been cancelled, rec'd word from Div Trans Office.
37	1536	11th, LRRP Chesterfield extracted 1515H.
38	1535	1/1, A/1/1, vic BT325300 at 1530H, detained 1 MAM.
39	1550	11th, MAJ Schleicher, rec'd call from MAJ Schleicher that at BS8750 at 1200H, unit obs 2 large boats, #38TTH, #SG68TT08. He requested coastal surveillance to check the boats out. Called Coastal Surveillance in DaNang, LT JG Suhl, to find out the results of the search of the boats, LT Suhl said they did not find anything significant on the boats. Requested a report on the search of the boats be sent to Americal Div, attention G-2. LT Suhl said he will send it to us.
40	1626	196th, LRRP Tareyton, was inserted at 1620H vic AT907306.
41	1628	CLDC, alert condition Green effective 1800H.
42	1645	198th, B/5/46, vic BS624874 at 1620H, hit BT, unk type, 7 WHA (E), 3 serious, 4 lightly.
43	1730	9th Engr, LT Towne, at 1730H, 9th Engr have been building bridge at BT379174, villagers told them today that VC planned to blow bridge tonight. Passed to Ly Tin, SGT Benjim 1730H, passed to Tam Ky, PFC Rydell.
44	1730	196th, BT084277 at 0855H, readout of docs, ref journal entry #24, 4 July 68. 1 postage receipt. 1 TDY pass from 3rd Regt, 2d NVA Div for Asst Plt Ldr from E-31 to go to D-7-E-31 dtd 16 June. 2 infiltration passes dtg 10 Oct 60, Infiltration Grp D-150E to rpt to B-47. Personal letter talked about NVA units opns with some village guerrillas. It mentioned a new unit, probably village guerrillas, to go to Hai Son. This is the southern part of Thanh Binh in area of FSB Center. 1745H, passed to OB, SP4 Cooney and to IPW.
45	1730	Quang Ngai, Son Tra (1), the following casualty figures were given for the incident at Son Tra (1) from GVN sources in Quang Ngai Province. Civ: 78 killed, 28 wounded (evac), 37 wounded (minor). RD: 2 killed, 5 WHA (E). PF: 1 KHA. Armed Youth: 4 KHA, 4 WHA (E). Totals: 85 killed, 37 WHA (E), 37 WHA (M).
46	1730	Tam Ky, PFC Rydell, only the LNO of arty has the right to accept or disapprove when units are in opns in regard to arty or bombing support fire. The duty officer of TOC has no right to accept or disapprove. All air strikes have to be cleared.
47	1820	11th, CC/3/1, BS792479 at 1725H, detained 1 VCS evading. Evac to LZ Liz.
48	1730	(delayed entry) 198th, C/1/52, BT668042 at 1915H, 1 US WHA, stepped on BT, Dustoff complete.
49	1815	196th, TOC, LRRP Tareyton, night loc AT908306.
50	1830	198th, B/5/46, ref journal entry #42, unit did not hit BT. EM dropped HG. Res: 8 WHA (E), and 1 scout dog killed.
51	1837	196th, OP 3/1, BT019258 at 1800H, obs 10 C 1100 meters W of their loc, wearing mixed uniforms and packs. No wpns. Fired 81mm mortar and obs 1 secondary explosion.
52	1840	1/1, SGT Ayres, Thang Binh, sent following grids, saying they had an opn on 5 Jul, without asking for clearance. 040400H-090400H, BT1836, 1534, 1536, 1834. Passed to SGT Ayres. If they want to let units work in that area we will be notified. If 1/1 doesn't want them in area they are to notify Thang Binh.
53	1900	196th, granted permission to SF for an opn, PA-130, plat size from 051800H-091800H in area bounded by BT0417, 0415, 0915, 0917.
54	1905	198th, A/1/46, BT162108 at 1902H, rec'd mortar rds, 25 rds 60mm inside perimeter. Suspected mortar position: BT165115. Neg damage or casualties. Firing arty now. Mortars stopped at 1910H.
55	1930	Request from National Police on Cu Lao Re Island. Request K mission on 5 July to transport 35 volunteers for ARVN Army to Quang Ngai. Have Chief of Police at location. Msg is to be passed to National Police. 1930H, passed to Quang Ngai, SGT Lewis. 2015H, SGT Lewis passed to Prov Chief. They will be picked up at unk time.

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	2200	(delayed entry from 4 July) CLDC, 9th Engr, BT515046 at 2148H, report an explosion outside their perimeter, type unk, neg casualties or damage.
3	233	(delayed entry from 4 July) 198th, K-4 (Marine unit), BT462084 at 2110H, convoy went by K-4 location and threw a smoke grenade and a frag grenade w/neg casualties. Truck the grenade came from believed to be stenciled B-123.
4	0020	198th, MP Riverboat South, BS627995 at 042355H, rec'd 20 rds AW fire, ret'd fire, NCD.
5	0135	CLDC, MAG-12, BT542048 at 042402H (C-1 rating), 2 VN by a truck. CPT saw them and challenged them, they charged. He shot at them and was slashed by a knife. 2 other individuals were in the area and the 4 left. Searched the area and alerted security.
6	0140	198th, CAP 134, BT625007 at 042300H, while moving on trail, spotted 3 VC running down the trail into bushes. Called illum, found 1xM-16 mag, cut boot. Fired at VC, VC ret'd fire. Took 1 VCS. Will send to Bayonet.
7	0145	1st CAG, CAP 113, BT323184 at 042300H, spotted 3 VC along river bank, could spot 1 carbine. Fired on VC, rec'd 20 incoming rds. Chased the VC into a tree line and called reaction force. Found blood trails and drag marks.
8	0200	1st CAG, CAP 134, BT625005 at 042300H, PF spotted 3 VC. Notified the Marines who took them under fire. VC ran behind some huts. CAP 134 swept area and found 1xM-16 mag, 1xcombat boot, and captured 1x19-22 yr old VCS. No ID card. Will send him to Binh Son today.
9	0050	Quang Ngai, 2nd ARVN: Opn QT 356xD, 060400H, 1 day, 2 Bn's, recon in force. Call sign Coarse Thrift Alpha 33, vic BT2319, 3019, 2613, 2315. Opn 980, 050200H, 1 day, 1 PF Plat, infiltration, call sign Drafty Lamb Charlie, freq 41.4, vic BS621689, BS607619. Opn 277, 050200H, 1 day, 1 plat from 1 Co, infiltration, call sign Drafty lamb Papa, freq 41.4, vic BS555606, BS553620.
10	0645	B/3/16 & C/6/11 Arty will be lifted out of their locations sometime after 0900H.
11	0720	39th Engr, C Co, at 041850H, Volunteer Informant program: 1x105mm, 1x4.2", 1x60mm, 1x5" Naval. All destroyed.
12	0720	198th, C/1/52, vic BT665006 at 0645H, 1 US WHA (E) as result of booby trapped Chicom HG, Dusted off at 0655H.
13	0730	196th, D/4/20, vic BT090447 at 0705H, eng'd 2 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
14	0900	198th, Rcn/1/6, requests F/8 Cav. Mission: VR. Freq & Call sign: 61.85, Hatchet R6. Time: 061000H (2 hours). Friendly loc: vic Hill 69, 3709, 3707, 3114, 3107. Enemy locations: unknown. Grids: BT3613, 3612, 3611, 3610, 3609, 3608, 3511, 3510, 3409, 3509, 3408, 3508.
15	0905	11th, CC/3/1, vic BS792487 at 0815H, detained 3 VCS evading, evac to LZ Liz.
16	0806	196th, D/3/21, vic BT138254 at 0715H, rec'd 15-20 rds AK-47 fire, 700 meters NE of their loc, neg casualties. Called arty, sniper fire stopped, going to check area now. Obs 5-6 MAM dressed in black PJ's, 1 with wpn evading from the east to NE, called arty with unk res.
17	0900	SF/LO, CPT Henderson, Nong Son P-4 ended 031800H. Tra Bong P-102 (33 per) attack 060530H-101900H, vic BS3683, 3688, 2983, 2988. Minh Long P-98 ended 040800H.
18	0905	11th, CC/3/1, vic BS794478 at 0815H, eng'd 1 VCS evading, res: 1 VCS WIA/CIA.
19	0935	196th, A/4/3, vic LZ West, 1st PZ 0835H, last LZ 0918H, complete.
20	0945	H/17 Cav, vic 63408930 at 0930H, vehicle hit mine, small AP mine, NCD.
21	1000	Quang Ngai, SGT Billings, vic BS748813 at 1000H, reported large number of enemy soldiers in uniform, want to put in air strike, request clearance, passed to 198th. 1015H, 198th, LT Blanco, is scrambling gunships to this area. Passed this info to Quang Ngai.
22	1025	196th, F/8 Cav, 4/31, vic AT906218 at 1000H, obs 20 NVA in the open w/wpns and packs, dressed in green uniforms, moving south, eng'd, res: 1 NVA KIA, calling arty at this time, requested FAC to check area also.
23	1027	196th, HQ & R/3/31, air moved from West to Hill 210, PZ 0900, LZ 0940H, LZ cold, complete.
24	1037	11th, B/3/1, vic BS758402 at 1025H, detained 1 VCS evading, had no ID, approx 30 yrs old.
25	1045	1/1, A/1/1, vic BT080320 at 1045H, eng'd 1 VC in a bunker, res: 1 VC KIA.
26	1102	1/1, f/8 Cav, vic BT073324 at 1045H, detained 1 MAM, 1xfemale.
27	1115	11th, B/3/1, request a tracker dog team to check out some blood trails, will pick up team at 1300H if they can get them. Passed to tracker dog team, SGT Wood, team will be ready for pick up at LRRP Pad at 1300H, passed to 11th Bde to pick up team at 1300H at LRRP Pad, SGT Gaylord.
28	0855	(delayed entry) Gia Vuc, C-3, BS375265 at 0300H, 5 man ambush security was ambushed by unk number enemy, res: 1 KHA, 1 carbine lost, vic BS375263.
29	0955	(delayed entry) 198th, HQ/1/52, at 0938H, Village Chief, Le Phuy (2), reports 1 NVA Bn located BS65966595, BS66966695.
30	1045	196th, LRRP Tareyton, AT898315 at 1030H, obs 4 VC/NVA moving up a trail to hilltop w/hvy packs and web gear. 1 had wpn. All wore green uniforms.

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31	1050	A/39, BT232174 at 0955H, found 1 mine w/bamboo firing device, approx 20 lbs. Removed and destroyed.
32	1100	1/1, F/8 Cav, 084322 at 1100H, 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
33	1110	196th, sniffer mission, 0930H-1030H at 841210 rec'd ground fire. Max readings at 922059, 914068, 927083, 930080, 897087, 887095, 202408, 027417, 029419, 034425, 037427.
34	1125	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT091348 at 1120H, eng'd 1 MAM, res: 1 VC KIA.
35	1133	196th, LRRP Tareyton, AT898315 at 1125H, obs 3 more VC in black PJ's w/wpns and packs moving S.
36	1135	TOC, CG, BS5999 at 1135H, report unusually large number of VN N of LZ Gator. Request 198th check it out. Called 198th, passed msg to SGT Prince. At 1200H, dispatched a chopper to look over the area. Report to have seen no large number of VN.
37	1200	196th, LRRP Tareyton, AT898315 at 1143H, obs 2 VN females and 1 male.
38	1200	196th, C/3/21, 088245 at 1115H, found a trench line in circular form, 200m in diameter, 3' deep and 2' wide. Recently used. Trench destroyed.
39	1200	196th, C/6/11 Arty, 1st lift 0800H, moved to Hill 210 (BT940211). Last lift at 1100H, complete. C/3/16 moved to O'Conner. 1st lift 0700H, last lift 0950H, complete.
40	1212	11th, A/3/1, BS785515 at 1200H, eng'd several VC, res: 1 VC KIA, 1xSKS SN 330307 CIA. Documents will be evac.
41	1250	196th, SSG Kenlow, request F/8 Cav to run same mission they ran this morning. Passed to 1/1 Cav.
42	1250	11th, air strike, 341545 at 0905H, obs 5 VC w/packs, web gear and khaki uniforms, res: 5 VC KIA.
43	1304	A/39 Engr, BT189159 at 0910H, found 1x250 lb bomb dud, uncovered by dozer working in area, called EOD, bomb was disarmed and destroyed.
44	1308	196th, FAC, AT910208 at 1300H, spotted a very large 6-sided concrete bunker. Also obs very large trench line. Both large enough for a Div. At 1328H, air strike went in. 200m of trench opened up, 2 AR positions destroyed, concrete bunker destroyed, 14 structures destroyed. Another air strike will go in.
45	1310	196th, B/3/16 Arty move from Ross to O'Conner: PZ 0700H, LZ 0950H, complete. C/6/11 from Ryder to Hill 210: PZ 0800H, LZ 1100H. C&C 4/31 from O'Conner to Hill 210. PZ 0725H, LZ 1230H. All complete.
46	1330	196th, TOC, 4/21, HQ-A-B-C-D-R, all lifts started 0700H and completed at 1320H.
47	1345	11th, CC/3/1, BS774524 at 1315H, eng'd 3 VC, res: 3 VC KIA.
48	1355	11th, D/1/20, 023162 at 1310H, 1 US hit BT, res: 1 US WHA (E). Dustoff complete at 1339H.
49	1418	196th, request F/8 Cav for screening and recon mission 060800H. AO: AT9022, 9018, 8818, 8822. Come up on 4/31 freq, then to A/4/31 freq. They will give you the friendly location. Request for 90 minutes. Passed to 1/1 (note: mission for 2/1 has priority).
50	1430	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT084343 at 1235H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
51	1430	11th, TOC, BT and mine report. A-tactical movement-squad form. B-slow rate of movement. C-only point man was hit. D-wore steel helmet, no body armor. E-no warning devices. F-no sounds prior to detonation. G-mine located at base of hill near hedgerow. H-villagers did not know or inform about the BT HG. HG was unk type.
52	1430	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT090345 at 1405H, infantry plat inserted.
53	1500	198th, S-2, 427018 at 0630H, C/1/6 found pack near trail with Russian stopwatch, firing tables for 122mm rkt, US map w/computations on it dtd 12 May.
54	1510	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT087343 at 1458H, 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
55	1512	196th, TOC, C/4/3, lift from Baldy to West: PZ 1325H, LZ 1455H, complete.
56	1538	198th, B/5/46, BS635891 at 1458H, 3 WHA (E), litter cases, from Bouncing Betty bomb.
57	1550	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT304366 at 1530H, 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
58	1606	1/1, F/8 Cav, 1 MAM detained at BT304366. Taken to 1/1 HQ.
59	1613	1/1, A/1/1, BT090334 at 1600H, found 1 VC in a hole, threw in HG, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA.
60	1615	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT105360 at 1610H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
61	1630	196th, USMC Recon Team, AT882348 at 1500H, Ipswitch was extracted.
62	1644	CLDC, alert condition Green effective 1800H.
63	1700	1/1, A/1/1, BT097328, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
64	1705	TOC, G-5, there is a noticeable lack of males between ages 15-40 in hamlets of Quang Ngai District. Refugee centers around Binh Son and Ly Tin are receiving threats of kidnapping, burning, and psych-war activities.
65	1708	11th, R/3/1, BS358680 at 1600H, obs 5 VC evading, eng'd, VC ran into vill. Called arty, 2 VC WIA/CIA.

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66	1715	198th, B/5/46, BS627905 at 1505H, found camouflaged food cache. 200 rds M-16 ammo, 1xChicom HG, 1xNVA uniform, 2,000 lbs rice.
67	1720	11th, Aero Scouts, BS317663 at 1710H, on a visual recon, rec'd hvy AW fire. Ret'd fire and expended all ammo on 2 gunships. Still receiving hvy fire. Have called immediate air strike and plan to have H&I fires in that area tonight.
68	1725	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT099325, 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
69	2020	(delayed entry from 4 Jul) 11th, request LRRP AO, BS2368,2768, 2364, 2764, from 070600H to 122400H. Mission: target acquisition and NVA PW snatch. Sent to 2d ARVN for clearance by Quang Ngai Province. Cleared at 22228H by both 2d ARVN Div and Quang Ngai Province. Sent msg to III MAF and ITOC.
70	0625	(delayed entry) 198th, PF, BT392197 at 0535H, PF, Ly Tra, spotted 3-5 VC, fired illum, VC ran away.
71	0645	(delayed entry) 196th, D/2/1, AT984370 at 042145H, rec'd 6-10 rds sniper fire from 200m NE of position. NCD. Called arty with unk results.
72	1829	198th, TOC, Air Movement, R/1/52, PZ 4597. LZ 449997. PZ 1324H, LZ 1338H. PZ 1324H, LZ 1338H. R/5/46, Dottie, PZ 1715H, LZ 1736H.
73	1750	1/1, TOC, results of F/8 Cav VR mission for 196th: 4 acft on station for 4 hrs 20 min. 4 acft on standby for 4 hrs 20 min. Res: 1 VC KIA.
74	1750	1/1, F/8 Cav, Infantry plat extracted 1740H.
75	1755	196th, D/4/3. AT924250 at 1735H, obs 1 MAM evading, 1 VC KIA. 30-40 yrs old, no equip.
76	1815	11th, 3/1, BS789421 at 1748H, 5 Ton truck hit mine, res: 3 WHA (E), truck demolished.
77	1835	196th, A/3/21, BT070207 at 1710H, detonated pressure-type mine, 60mm rd, res: 1 WHA (E). 60mm rd was buried.
78	1925	Tam Ky, TOC, following opn will be conducted in area bounded by BT0417, 0917, 0915, 0415. From 051700H. Code name is 87-Recon Opn. Same area as P-130.
79	1940	11th, Results of VR mission of part of AO: BS915264, obs 2 trenches approx 10m long and 1 L-shaped tunnel. BS853256 to BS879279, obs well used trails to Hwy #1. BS767264 to BS769270, obs well used trail. BS390450, much trail activity and many long structures.
80	1941	198th, 5/46, BS755815 at 1850H, CC ship with 5/46 CO on board is down at above cood. Gunships on way to provide security. Hook will extract Slick. LTC Lyons and crew were picked up. A/5/46 is securing helo. Take out tomorrow. Chopper was shot down by AW fire, took 8 hits, set down on beach. BT742806.
81	2000	SSIC, BT436104 at 1955H, tanker hit mine on road while returning to Chu Lai. Resupply convoy from Baldy. Tanker on fire. At 2015H fire out.
82	1530	(delayed entry) 6th Regt, MAJ Ammons, 6th ARVN Regt, request AO ext for ARVN exercise, BT235155, 238158, 270130, 272134 from 060400H to 071800H. Passed to 198th at 042135H. Neg clearance from 198th. COL Galloway approves AO ext for 6th Regt. Passed to 198th and 6th Regt.
83	1530	(delayed entry) Tam Ky, CAP Team, req AO ext from 051530H to 061800H. 40 man plat. Grid 2184. Passed to 198th at 1635H.
84	1853	(delayed entry) 196th, CC/2/1, AT990330 at 1805H, rec'd sniper fire, unk number rds, neg hits. B/2/1 checking area at this time.
85	1940	(delayed entry) 198th, 1/6, BT402153, saw village chief at Ly Tra and he told them that there has been 2 or 3 sqds of VC in the village for the last 2 or 3 nights threatening the people.
86	2124	11th, B/1/20, BS859350 at 2105H, moving into grid where they had spotted VC moving. Called arty and fired 23 rds 105mm. They swept area. Res: 5 VCS, 3 male, 2 female, evac. Rec'd 2 rds M-79 fire from a wood line at BS859353.
87	2215	Div Avn, Aero Scouts, BT505055 at 2030H, rec'd approx 20 rds of SA fire w/no hits while returning to Chu Lai.
88	2230	196th, D/3/21, BT128266 at 2015H, rec'd 4 rds M-79 and 10 rds AK-47 from 300m E of location. NCD.
89	2300	196th, S-2, request following LRRP AO's to be inserted as deemed necessary: 1-AT9723,9920. 2-AT9945, 0041, 9740, 9839. Request 1 additional LRRP team for their use on 7 July (not to be inserted at this time). LRRP Co can furnish without difficulty.
90	2315	198th, A/5/46, BS747808 at 1907H, landed and moved into village. C&C was flying around and killed 2 VC running from the village. Gunships in area eng'd and killed 8 VC. A Co took VC under fire and killed 5 VC. Total: 15 VC KIA. No wpns or friendly casualties.
91	2320	198th, A/5/46, BS745807 at 2300H, reported they are in contact with a large enemy force and there is a firefight going on. Have 1 WHA (E), gunships scrambled. At 2340H, gunships are on station. Rec'd 8 HG's and hvy volume of AW fire. At 2340H, contact ceased.
92	2325	198th, Swift Boats, BS747808 at 1500H, during the lull in the air strikes, the Swift Boats came in close to shore and conducted Psy-Ops with loud speaker, and 8 persons came out of the village. 8 detainees.

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	0015	198th, LT Reesar/GS, BS747808 at 1530H, made final pass, obs 1 secondary explosion in middle of village. Large amount of gray smoke. Area was bunker and trench complex.
3	0123	198th, A/5/46, BS750814 at 0110H, heard noises around position, too far for arty illum, so 198th scrambled gunships and flare ship.
4	0605	196th, TF Cooksey, A/4/31, AT914210 at 0555H, spotted 10 VC on W side of bank. They rec'd fire, ret'd fire. Will check area.
5	0615	196th, B/4/21, has 1 man across the river, which will be a great help in getting the others across.
6	052300	(delayed entry) 196th, S-2, request following LRRP AO's to be inserted as deemed necessary. 1.) UL AT9723, LR AT9920. 2.) AT 9945, AT0041, AT9740, AT9839. Request one additional LRRP Team for their use on 7 July 68 (not to be inserted at that time though) LRRP Co can furnish without difficulty.
7	0400	196th, TF Cooksey, 2 air strikes went into area before 0400H, LD time was slipped back due to 15 MPH winds blowing flares to light up air strikes. LD time 0448H. 060530H, 4/31 has obs lights on western side of river, yellow & red, they are engaging with SA fire. 4/21 is having difficulty in crossing due to deep channel, are sending troops across w/ropes so others can get across. 0545H, both units having hard time getting across due to 30 meter strip of deep channel on western side of river.
8	0700	196th, MAJ Beardon, vic AT916230, about one half of B/4/21 is across river. Other elements of 4/31 having difficulty. Further info at 0735H, crossing river now B/4/21.
9	0800	11th, B/3/1, 0734H, Combat Assault of B/3/1 completed at 0734H.
10	0810	11th, 3/1, gunship, vic BS817416 at 0710H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
11	0810	Div Arty, S-2, vic BS516779 at 0730H, 2 VC returnees turned themselves in at OP-1. 1 was a LT. Both had wpns and some documents. MAJ Dorf passed to 198th Bde, they will pick up the returnees from OP-1. Passed to IPW, CPT Looney at 0815H. Passed to LT Thomas at 0820H.
11	0810	(note: there are 2 entries for journal entry #11) 11th, 3/1, gunship, vic BS818415 at 0721H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
12	0810	11th, 3/1, gunship, vic BS819414 at 0728H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
13	0812	11th, 3/1, gunship, vic BS825413 at 0731H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
14	0815	TOC, G-5, to be posted to W/W sitrep: 011300H July, vic BT104367, A/3/21 moved to Tam Ky. 02 July, 5 refugees vic BT096237 at A/3/21, moved to Tam Ky. 041400H, 6 refugees, vic BT085205 at A/3/21, moved to Tam Ky. Total refugees for W/W 6,773.
15	0822	Div Avn, at 0816H, 1st lift of ARVN in at 0816H, LZ cold. 2d lift of ARVN in at 0823H, LZ cold. Complete 0859H.
16	0836	196th, B/3/21, vic BT045236 at 0745H, obs 2 VC evading south, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 ruck sack and hammock CIA.
17	0905	26th Engr, D/26, vic BT115480 at 0820H, found mine on S side of Hwy 535, type unk. Blew in place. 4' x 3' crater. Crater refilled.
18	0910	11th, D/3/1, vic BS739555 at 0845H, CC Dustoff 1 US WHA, hit BT HG w/trip wire, wounded in legs.
19	0930	1/1, B/1/1, vic BT266333 at 0922H, detained 2 VCS in a fox hole.
20	0942	11th, B/1/20, vic BS841351 at 0915H, detained 1 VCS hiding in hootch.
21	0943	11th, CC/3/1, vic BS753544 at 0920H, eng'd 2 VC evading, res: 2 VC KIA, detained 1 VCS evading.
22	0950	198th, Ly Tin, S-2, at 0930H, one VC squad w/wpns have been coming from Khuong Nhon into village at BT425095 for several months vic BT425095, they have been relocating families in the village. These VC could be the ones that hit tanker on Hwy 1 last night at BT433107.
23	0958	198th, A/5/46, vic BS751815 at 0815H, found 2 bodies, one of the bodies had ID card on it, the other body had nothing on it. 1 BAR CIA, SN 663608, 4x.30 cal mags, 1xChicom HG, 1xM26 HG. VC were killed from grenade shrapnel.
24	1000	1/1, SGT Muffet, F/8 Cav, will not be able to run VR mission for 1/6 because of acft. Passed to 198th, SP4 Hansen, 1003H.
25	1015	1/1, A/1/1, vic BT134361 at 0940H, detained 1 VCS.
26	1015	1/1, A/1/1, vic BT137365 at 0947H, detained 1 VCS.
27	1015	198th, 5/46, at 051907H, ref journal entry #90, 05 July 1968. Change KIA to read: 6 VC KIA by gunships, 2 VC KIA by CC/5/46, 1 VC KIA by A/5/46. Total of 9 KIA.
28	1025	198th, 176th Avn, vic BS734801 at 0020H, flare ship rec'd AW fire from above coord, gunships ret'd fire, res: 1 VC KIA.
29	1030	198th, Ly Tin HQ, at 1000H, 1 VC sqd is located at Ky Khan, they were holding a propaganda meeting, PF's fired into village and wounded 1 VN female and a child. Passed to G-5, SP4 Jones, 1220H.
30	1030	198th, Ly Tin, S-2, at 1000H, 1 sqd of VC is loc at BT425095 daily from 0600H-0800H. Their mission is to fire sniper fire at Ly Tin cadre and place mines at BT456050.

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31	1040	11th, Aero Scouts, vic BS397739 at 1000H, detained 1 VCS evading.
32	1040	11th, Aero Scouts, vic BT398835 at 1020H, detained 1 VCS evading.
33	1040	11th, Aero Scouts, vic BT394735 at 1015H, detained 2 VCS evading.
34	1045	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT123320 at 1045H, 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
35	1116	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT094383 at 1115H, 2 MAM evading, res: 2 VC KIA.
36	1130	196th, S-3, 4/21, B is across, A is crossing, D res. 4/31, A is across, B starting now. 1 ARVN Bn on sooner.
37	1140	11th, B/1/20, vic BS859350 at 1115H, moving into area, obs 4 VCS evading, eng'd w/SA, res: 2 VC CIA, dressed in black PJ's w/white shirts, 20-25 yrs old, they have ID cards, will evac to MID.
38	1210	196th, TF Cooksey, B/4/31, secured Obj Jane. D/4/31 secured Obj Guard.
39	1207	1/1, A/1/1, vic BT107335 at 1206H, tank hit mine, believed to be 1,000 lb bomb w/napalm, res: 5 KHA, 1 WHA (M). Tank complete loss. Bomb left crater 30' wide by 15' deep.
40	1304	198th, C-16, 1/6, from BS395107 to BS484104, PZ 1125H, LZ 1206H, complete. C-33, from BS484104 to An Tan Bridge, PZ 1206H, LZ 1211H. R/1/46, Bowman to Tien Phuoc, PZ 1140H, LZ 1152H. C-16, 5/46, from BS394106 to BS484103, PZ 1125H, LZ 1206H.
41	1305	196th, CPT Freeman: B/4/21 is across river. D/4/21 is moving across river. A/4/21 all is across but one plat. C/4/21 is at O'Conner. A/4/31 is at Obj Jane. B/4/31 is at Obj B. C/4/31 is ready to move to Jane. D/4/31 is at Obj Guard.
42	1320	11th, CC/3/1, vic BS767567 at 1155H, detained 2 VCS evading.
43	1320	11th, CC/3/1, vic BS764568 at 1150H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
44	1320	11th, CC/3/1, vic BS776563 at 1200H, detained 1 VCS evading.
45	1350	198th, B/5/46, vic BS643907 at 1236H, located 1 Chicom HG, one detonating device for Bouncing Betty mine, 1 de-activated mine, found MG ammo, .30 cal ammo, and carbine ammo.
46	1355	39th Engr, A/39, vic BT193156 at 1230H, found 1 cooking pot, 1 rd of .30 cal, 3 boxes of black powder, and flashlight batteries, all destroyed.
47	1355	39th Engr, A/39, vic BT200161 at 1120H, found 1 mine w/fuzes, removed and destroyed.
48	1420	198th, C/1/52, vic BT642054 at 1324H, located abandoned area which had CS put into it. Located 2 drums of CS in area.
49	1430	198th, A/5/46, vic BS545818 at 061404H, located following items of equipment: 1x105 rd, 1x500 lb bomb, 1x55 gal drum CS, 1x500 lb bomb cut in half, 1x81mm rd, 1xrkt rd (unk type), 1xM-72 LAW, 1xM16 AP mine, 21xphamphlets.
50	1545	196th, TOC, at 1538H, secured Obj Alpha, A&B/4/21.
51	1515	D/5/46, vic BS545819 at 1400H, found 250 lb bomb, do not have demo to blow it. Set up ambush near bomb for tonight, will destroy bomb tomorrow 7 July.
52	1520	TOC, Div Trans Office, there will be an 85 vehicle ARVN convoy from DaNang to Quang Ngai on 7 July & returning on 8 July. Piney Uplift on 48.7. Div Arty notified. LT Owens. To provide AO cover on both days. 198th Bde, LT Reasor, notified to provide 1 MP Jeep both days between Tam Ky & Binh Son. 196th notified, MAJ Beardon, to provide 1 MP Jeep both days to escort convoy between N boundary and Tam Ky.
53	1615	Div G-2, at 1615H 061600H-062100H, severe weather warning. Thunder showers, 1000 broken, 3000 overcast, visibility 2 miles, blowing sand & thunder showers, surface winds gusting to 25. 198th, SGT Batossi, Div Avn.
54	1630	198th, CIDG (1/46), vic BT244149 at 1540H, rec'd SA fire from above location, res: 1 CIDG WHA (E).
55	1550	Quang Ngai, TOC, vic BS604727 at 0205H, barracks rec'd 15 rds of 82mm mortar, res: 6 soldiers wounded, 1 woman and 2 boys KHA, and 1 boy WHA. Raid locations at BT157347, BT162347, started 050200H to 06600H, res: 5 VC KIA, CIA 1 carbine, 1 Colt pistol, 13xHG, 3xflashlights, 12 loose rds ammo, some documents, 6 hammocks.
56	1650	CLDC, alert condition Green effective 1800H.
57	1635	11th, B/3/1, vic BS740567 at 1630H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
58	1700	198th, Ly Tin, S-2, at 1630H, 1 MF Bn, 307th, located vic BT367022-BT362016, mission: mortar Ly Tin.
59	1700	198th, Ly Tin Police, 1 guerrilla plat located vic BT483117-BT502093, mission: start infrastructure in that area.
60		198th, IPW readout on two returnees from 198th. 1 girl 21, CO of hamlet force D12. Man, E-6 in ARVN Army, captured by VC, became political officer. Hospital BS465815, staff of 12. Rice cache, 50 bicycles to haul goods, documents, hand drawn map, command detonated mines BS4679.
61	0915	(delayed entry) 11th, AO ext request from 070600H to 080600H, BS5847 to BS5852 to BS6152 to BS6147. For opns by A&D/3/1. Passed to CPT Henderson, SF/LNO. Approved by Minh Long SF at 1630H.
62	1700	Ha Thanh, Agents, Opn P-150, had enemy sighting ay BS3566. Aero Scouts, 15 military structures w/bunkers destroyed, 2 VCS WIA and evac. Agent (SF 1-213) reports VC are working on infiltration and resupply routes in Gi Lang area (BS283635), will go through Lang Mang Men (BS264618) to Bai Mau (BS215609) to (continued)

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62	1700	(continued) to Vi Mang Son (173596 and 164595). This route is 3m wide. Agent reports ferries and bridges are under construction. Agent thinks that enemy has armor vehicles, 1 Engr Co doing all construction. 5 Jul (SF 1-209) report 1st Regt establishing base camp (AT413572) (BS417570) with 600 men. Mission to conduct harassing action in Son Ha, Minh Long, and Tu Nghia Districts.
63	1900	1/1, F/8 Cav, VR for 2/1, 3 acft on station, 3 on standby for 2 hrs 50 min. VR for 4/31, 4 acft on station, 4 on standby for 5 hrs 45 min. Res: 2 VC KIA. VR for 2/1, 3 acft on station, 2 on standby for 3 hrs 10 min.
64	1905	11th, res of VR mission: BS726400, AW position, BS740388, tunnel entrance, BS744371, tunnel entrance. 80% coverage of AO.
65	1715	196th, B&D/4/21, AT916230 at 0245H and 0637H, TF Cooksey had 2 people drown. D/4/21. 1st man crossing river holding on to rope. Flare ship flew over, startled man and he turned lose. Man drowned. 2nd man was crossing, rope became tangled in rocks. Man slipped and went under. 1 MHA.
66	1720	11th, CC/3/1, BD751548 at 1715H, eng'd 2 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 CIA.
67	1755	198th, R/1/6, at 1728H, R/1/6 PZ was LZ Bayonet. At 1728H the LZ was BT372127, at 1740H cold LZ.
68	1757	Tam Ky, TOC, the MACV will change radio freq: A-23, 55.65. Change over at 2400H.
69	1820	1/1, A/1/1, at 1820H, ref journal entry #39, should read: 5 KHA, 1 WHA (E), 1 WHA (M).
70	1824	196th, LRRP Tareyton, AT904311 at 1822H, extracted. They claim that 2 VN compromised their position.
71	1831	198th, A/1/6, BT398147 at 1820H, located 5 sets US diving equipment under a pile of trash just east of Hill 54. Passed to Swift Boats at 1840H.
72	1910	198th, TOC, at 1910H, R/5/46 was extracted to Dottie.
73	1833	198th, E/5/46, BS728901 at 1800H, tripped delayed action mine. Res: 2 WHA (E). 2 NCO's were on recon. They were moving 2 miles per hour. They were 30m apart. No body armor worn. No warning device, no sound prior to detonation. Mine along foot path. One VN was in field 400 meters to the east when BT went off, he ran.
74	2000	Tam Ky, MAJ Hammond, crossed LD at 0500H and all objectives were secured by 070H. Had two friendly WHA by sniper fire. Discovered 5000 kilos of rice vic BT246159.
75	052005	(delayed entry) 198th, CA of A/5/46 at BS747808. 1st PZ at 1826H. Completion time 051907H, all of A/5/46 is in at above coord securing downed helo.
76	2025	11th, B/3/1, BS746441 at 2015H, detained 1 VCS while moving to ambush site, 18 yrs old. Will hold in ambush and bring back to Company location in the morning. Will then be extracted to Bronco.
77	2035	C/39th Engr, BS676673 at 1445H, vehicle involved in accident with VN motorcycle. No damage to vehicle, motorcycle twisted front wheel. Accident report turned in.
78	1150	(delayed entry) 11th, TOC, request AO ext, vic BS3548, 4048, 3543, 4043. Time: 070700H to 111700H in Quang Ngai Province. Cleared by SP/4 Berge, Quang Ngai Sector at 1504H. Request AO ext vic BS6929, 7329, 7325, 6925. Time: 070700H to 111700H. AO's for LRRP insertion in 11th Bde AI. Msg sent to III MAF.
79	2320	198th, 1/6, BT479076 at 2230H, Ly Tin Compound rec'd several bursts of SA fire. Neg casualties or damage. Fired illum w/neg sightings.
80	2320	196th, D/4/31, AT917200 at 2300H, rec'd sniper fire. Res: 2 WHA (E). Called arty. At 2350H total 6 WHA (E). Element obs movement between ambush and NDP. Final res: 6 WHA (E), 1 WHA (M), 2 VC KIA. C/S stated not to call CG.
81	2400	Opns Summary: Opn Pocahontas Forest began at 060448H with the 4/21 and 4/31 Inf attacking to seize the high ground west of the Song Tranh River. The 4/5 ARVN conducted a combat assault to a cold LZ vic AT870369 at 0859H. The 2/5 and 3/5 ARVN then swept NE into Antenna Valley. No enemy contact was reported during the first day of opns. In the Duc Pho AO, B/3/1 conducted a CA into 2 LZ's at 0734H. Light contact reported in the Div AO.
82	2400	Americal Division Totals: 5 KHA, 9 WHA (E), 4 WHA (M), 2 MHA, 18 VC KIA, 2 IWC.
83	2400	Journal Closed.

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	0055	198th, C/1/52, BT654027 at 0030H, called Dustoff for 1 US who shot himself in foot with M-16.
3	0353	198th, D/1/6, BT435051 at 0320H, eng'd 2 VC with SAF. VC fled to NW. Firing arty at BT427053 now.
4	0620	198th, C/1/52 at 0558H, C/1/52 PZ time 070558H, LZ 070608H, 1st lift cold, LZ 641973, 2 lifts 0615H, 3d lift 0620H, 4th 0624H.
5	0715	TOC, TF Cooksey, ref journal entry #80 06 July, change KIA to 3 VC KIA and 1 NVA KIA.
6	0718	196th, TF Cooksey, Opn Pocahontas Forest, 4/21 started movement at 0600H, 4/31 started moving at 0532H, ARVN's started moving at 0630H.
7	0735	SF/LO, CPT Henderson at 0735H, Special Forces Opns: Tien Phuoc: P-131 cancelled, P-129 ended 051800H. C-127 ended 051800H. Gia Vuc: P-150 & 151 ended 051800H. Ha Thanh: P-150 ended 051800H. Tra Bong: P-103, 33 personnel, attack, 090530H, 131800H, vic BS2894, 2889, 3494, 3489. Minh Long: P-103, 46 personnel, Recon, 080500H-131800H, vic BS4555, 5451, 6155, 6151. P-102 69 personnel, RIF, 080530H-121930H, vic BS4950, 4942, 5450, 5442.
8	0820	198th, B/5/46, vic BS642907 at 0815H, rec'd 15 rds AW fire, vic BS643900, called arty on grid, will inform of results.
9	0825	Tam Ky, PFC Nesbitt, Opn QT-356/XD is terminated and can be deleted from map.
10	0840	TOC, passed following to CPT Henderson 11th Bde. During the next few days have elements at the Ha Thanh, Minh Long, and Gia Vuc camps, increased surveillance of possible enemy exit routes out of their areas, particularly night surveillance. Also increase Aero Scout observation in these areas. Asked CPT Henderson SF/LO to pass same info through Special Forces channels and also include Ba To areas.
11	0855	196th, F/8 Cav, vic BT055395 at 0830H, obs 1 MAM evading in blk PJ's, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, neg wpn or equipment.
12	0855	198th, C/1/6, extracted from K-3 to LAAM site, PZ 0737H, LZ 0812H.
13	0900	198th, CAP 135, vic BS711967 at 061855H, found a bundle of propaganda papers in English and VN, some addressed to village chiefs & youth groups. Also found 3 sniper positions in same location w/empty carbine & M-1 cartridges. Called 1st CAG, it was still in field, will be evac to them today.
14	0923	11th, 3/1 CA's for 3/1. A: CA 0620H, complete 0918H. B: extracted at 1700H. D: complete 0918H. D: to be extracted at 1700H.
15	0928	196th, F/8 Cav (2/1), eng'd 1 VC evading at 0845H, vic BT045391, res: 1 VC KIA.
16	0935	196th, E/3/21, vic BT038236 at 0910H, obs 2 VC evading 200 meters north of their loc, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
17	1030	196th, S-2, at 0900H, APD mission had max readings at: AT864238, AT859238, AT859228. Rec'd SA fire at AT852219, took no hits.
18	1030	196th, 4/21, VR mission ASAP at grids AT8727, 9028, 918282, 940285. Friendlies at 9023, 9123, 8923. 1/1 monitored, says that they will send ships ASAP.
19	1030	196th, D/5/46, vic BS515823, rec'd SA & mortar fire from vic BS515840, request gunships, gunships scrambled at 1015H to BS515840, broke contact, neg damage.
20	1050	TOC, Quang Ngai, 090915H July, a convoy of 200 RD's will move from Quang Ngai to Chu Lai air base to be moved south, 30 RF's will be security, they will pick up 300 RD's to return to Quang Ngai. They request to have a water trailer at pickup point (Chu Lai AB) coord with MP to escort from Gate #1 to airfield. C-rats for 330 people, passes to MAJ Davis.
21	1055	TF Cooksey, vic AT877370 at 1010H, 3/5 ARVN, eng'd 3 VC with SA fire, res: 3 VC KIA, 1xM-2 carbine CIA, 1xChicom wpn CIA.
22	1055	TF Cooksey, vic AT902370 at 0930H, 3/5 ARVN, eng'd 3 VC with SA fire, res: 2 VC KIA, MAT-49 SMG CIA.
23	1104	TF Cooksey, vic AT888216, A/4/21 at 1030H, found in hedgerow, 12 rounds AK-47, 30 rounds M-16, 1 M-16 magazine, 400 lbs unpolished rice, 10 dishes. All destroyed in place.
24	1106	A/4/21, at 1042H vic AT888221, found 1,500 lbs rice under floor of hootch, rice was destroyed in place.
25	1115	196th, TOC, LRRP Camel, is to be inserted back into area LRRP Tareyton was extracted from. Grids AT9032, 9030, 9332, 9330.
26	1125	196th, C/3/21, vic BT064267 at 1005H, obs 4 VC evading west, eng'd, res: 4 VC KIA, neg ID or equip. 1xGI baseball cap CIA, will evac. 2xVC hammocks CIA, will evac. 3 lbs of rice destroyed.
27	1200	AMCAL MID (CI) Eval C-3. The 135th NVA Bn (aka 70th Bn, 21st NVA Regt) approx strength 220, moved from Quang Ngai mountains to vic BS402995, Ky Sanh mountains on 4 July 68. The Bn includes Montangards and Chicoms troops. CO: Nguyen Tai Toan & Chau Ngoc Xich, uniforms gray, wpns: 6 MG's, 6 auto f=rifles, 3 illum mortars, unk type and number of rkt launchers. 2 PRC-10 radios. (CI comment: source is attempting to find out more about the Chicoms allegedly with the Bn) OB comment: F-6, 21st NVA Regt has been identified at Dak Pek on 14 Jun 68, by contact. Also contact was made by the 21st NVA Regt 1 week later in the same vicinity.

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28	1205	196th, D/3/21, vic BT109235 at 1120H, found 750 lbs of unpolished rice, some documents hid under rocks & leaves near a hootch, will evac docs. D/3/21, 1130H, vic BT102238, found a sewing kit, 1 VC main force uniform, some documents & rice, 500 lbs of unpolished rice, 600 rds of linked 7.62mm ammo, 1 US field pack. Evac all except rice, which will be destroyed.
29	1230	198th, R/1/46, lift from Tien Phuoc to Hau Duc, PZ 1000H, LZ 1015H.
30	1230	198th, A/5/46, Dustoff 1201 complete.
31	1314	196th, C/3/21, vic BT073264 at 1200H, EM hit BT hand grenade, res: 2 WHA (E).
32	1320	198th, has issued warning orders as follows: C/1/52 be prepared to pass OPCODE to 5/46. Wolfpack move to 198th Pad & be prepared to air move to LZ Dottie and assume security. C/5/46 be prepared to Combat Assault from LZ Dottie into area of A/5/46 contact vic BS7480.
33	1330	Div IPW, from Swift Boats, vic BT6201, a VN fisherman (casual informant) reported to Swift Boats that 65 VC are passing through Binh Giang (VC name for Son Tra) vic BT6201 at the present time. CPT Looney says F-6 classification.
34	1348	196th, F/8 Cav, 4/21, vic AT951274 at 1325H, eng'd 2 VC evading, res: 2 VC KIA.
35	1348	196th, F/8 Cav, 4/21, vic AT940248 at 1313H, obs 1 VC evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
36	1348	196th, A/4/3, vic AT975266 at 1230H, obs 1 VC evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, found 5xM-79 rds in the area.
37	1348	196th, C/4/3, vic AT926234 at 1215H, acft rec'd SA fire when it took off, took neg hits, continued mission.
38	1430	198th, report of action of A/5/46. A/5/46 is at BS736796, B/5/46 CA'd to BS725790 complete at 1427H, 1 plat H/17 Cav to go to 728800, Bde security plat to Dottie relieving C/5/46, C Co (-) replaces B Co. Request ARVN to assist and block vic BS719779 and west. Many people, 300-400 people straying from villages, ARVN will try.
39	1500	2d ARVN, positioning of companies furnished by 2d ARVN: Recon Co BS703773, BS714762. RF Co BS727763, BS742763.
40	1537	11th, A/3/1, vic BS612501 at 1000H, detained 2 VCS evading, evac to Duc Pho.
41	1641	198th, TOC, at 1537H, D/1/46, Young to Bowman, PZ 1344H, LZ 1537H, complete.
42	1035	198th, A&B/5/46, vic BS745806 at 1112H, element was sweeping area of contact 06 July when a believed command detonated mine went off. When mine went off, rec'd SA & AW fire from both sides of crossway they were crossing at the time. Gunships, Dustoff, and Swift Boats called on station immediately, est enemy 1xCo, FAC reported 20-30 bunkers and spider holes in area. 1400H, B/5/46 was moving into blocking position vic BS7279 and 1 plat H/17 Cav moved into position at BS7380. 1500H, air strikes, gunships working area, requested ARVN's to block south, moving another plat of H/17 Cav to blocking position south of contact. ARVN's taking position now. Planning to move arty battery to vic BS6977 in the morning (depends on amount of contact remainder of day & night). 1530H, CO 198th reports 600-800 people, men, women, and children moving SW w/cattle from area of contact. 198th has requested ARVN's to check them for ID and reasons for movement. 1630H, res at this time: 2 KHA, 13 WHA (E), 3 serious, 10 minor.
43	1545	1/1, TOC, at 1540H at 212317, some PF's had some contact, 1 VC plat in the vicinity assassinated a hamlet chief. Have dispatched 1 plat of B/1/1 to investigate and may send Inf from F/8 Cav. B/1/1 has 9 VCS to question. The VC plat had 1 automatic weapon and 1 carbine. F/8 Cav inserted Inf at 204294 to check it out. Passed to G-5.
44	1515	196th, D/4/21, vic AT890240 at 0910H, found 1 dead woman in a small tunnel. Dressed in black PJ's, 35-40 yrs old. She had died of frag wounds, appeared to be fresh. Found medical supplies in tunnel, 1 VC nurse KIA.
45	1615	C/1/20, vic BS900300 at 1558H, detained 1 VCS, 25 yrs old, no ID, he was evading.
46	1615	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT198255 at 1603H, detained 1 MAM.
47	1620	198th, FAC, 1/52, vic BS653016 at 1600H, saw 60 VC running in open, called arty, obs 3 VC KIA.
48	1635	196th, C/2/1, vic BS085399 at 1550H, C-16 working with PF found 20 sand bags of salt hidden in hedgerow, will be evac to their location.
49	1638	196th, LRRP Prime Cut, TFC will coord FSE and ARVN for LRRP Prime Cut.
50	1638	11th, B/1/20, vic BS874340 at 1420H, detained 1 VCS, 30 yrs old, dressed in white, hiding in hootch.
51	1640	CLDC, alert condition Green effective 1800H.
52	1641	198th, TOC, B/5/46, PZ 643905 at 1415H, LZ 728986 1427H. Bde Security Plat Bayonet to Dottie, PZ 1500H, LZ 1515H. 5 tracks leaving Bayonet to get to Dottie, H/17 Cav.
53	1659	198th, ARVN, vic BT200150 at 1630H, eng'd 6 VC, res: 1 VC KIA, CIA 1xAK-47, 1000xrds 7.62 ammo, 22xAP mines, 3xAT mines, 2000xlbs rice, ARVN unit 2/6th ARVN.
54	1702	11th, TOC, at 1700H, extraction to Dragon, A&D Co's: 1st lift LZ 1636H, 2d lift LZ 1655H, 3d lift, LZ 1648H, all complete 1730H.
55	1720	11th, CPT Henderson, A&D extracted as of 1720H, turning in AO ext to the west at BS5852, 5847.

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56	1722	196th, B/2/1, vic AT971324 at 1645H, 800-1000 lbs unpolished rice hidden in cement crocks & wooden boxes which look like caskets. Rice will be evac.
57	1725	1/1, TOC, at 1725H vic BS205294, F/8 Cav Inf being extracted at 1725H.
58	0810	(delayed entry) 11th, TOC, LRRP Viceroy, inserted at BS249665 at 0730H. (To be inserted at above time and coord on 8 July).
59	1815	26th Engr, BT333208 at 1500H, persons from HQ Co while swimming at above coord, found ammo cache along bank of river including 75 mixed mortar rds, 550xrds .30 cal, 15xRds M-79, 20xrds 57mm RR, 10xrds 4.2". All rds were wrapped in plastic material, spread out along river bank. Turned over to MP's in the area.
60	1530	(delayed entry) AMCAL MID (CI), 8th ARVN, Eval C-3, at 1800H 6 Jul 68, the 307th VC Bn moved from Ky Tra, Tam Ky to vic BT365025 and BT362017. Strength is approx 300. Mission: to attack Ly Tin Dist HQ and US bases in area. CO: Tran Vu Anh. Uniforms: helmets and olive green uniforms. Wpns: 2x82mm mortars, 2x60mm mortars, 2x57mm RR, 1xrkt launcher, and several B-40 rcts. An est plat of VC moved from Ky Phuoc to Ky Xuan (V) vic BT485115, BT506093, and BT505094. The plat hides in secret tunnels at the above coord and are supplied by infrastructure in that area. Mission is to set up infrastructure and plan an attack on Chu Lai Base and Ly Tin Dist HQ.
61	1700	(delayed entry) A/39th Engr, BT200150 at 1000H, ARVN's killed 1 VC and captured 1xAK-47, 5xcarabines w/mags, 3xVC claymore type mines, 215 kilos of rice, 22xChicom HG's, 1000xrds AK-47 ammo, 500xrds carbine ammo. All items are with ARVN's, who are working with A/39 Engr's.
62	1840	198th, TOC, 720780 at 1830H, air strike rec'd SA fire. Also Swift Boats at BS745785 rec'd SA fire from coast. No action taken.
63	1855	198th, B/5/46, BS736783 at 1840H, resupply ship rec'd SA fire going into and coming out of position. No hits or damage.
64	1859	CAP 134, at 1345H, spotter plane fired rcts and called arty on BT650116 and BT653007. Res: 3 VC KIA (C). Follow up by Oscar 6 passed through River Boat South after action. Questioned fishermen who said that there were 6 VC, not 60 VC. 2 USMC personnel will obs area, coord with US Army to cover N sectors.
65	1945	198th, B/5/46, BS727784 at 1642H, rec'd 7 incoming mort rds, res: 3 WHA (E).
66	1950	198th, A/5/46, BS741806 at 1924H, rec'd AW fire and SA fire from est enemy sqd. Fired 4.2" rds on suspected location. NCD.
67	1950	198th, B/5/46, BS735798 at 1926H, rec'd several SA rds from vic BS735798. Neg casualties.
68	1955	11th, B/1/20, BS844315 at 1925H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA. Dressed in black and white PJ's. No web gear, wpn, or ID card. Approx 20-25 yrs old.
69	2020	198th, B&C/5/46, BS729785 at 2020H, rec'd hvy AW fire and mortar fire, res: 1 KHA. Spooky requested at 2035H.
70	2030	11th, B/1/20, BS844315 at 1950H, rec'd 2xM-79 rds and 3-4 rds SA fire, res: 1 KHA.
71	1420	(delayed entry) 11th, TOC, request AO ext from BS7057,7059, 6859, 6857. Intel report of 3 tunnel complexes just outside. AO wish to check them out. Request AO effective 080600H to 082400H July. Passed to SGT Billings at 1435H. Cleared at 1520H. Called back to Quang Ngai, request ext until 090600H.
72	1945	1st Mar, AT798350 at 1855H, ran 1 air strike on fortified area. 4 structures destroyed, 40m trenchline destroyed.
73	2105	198th, B/5/46, BS727787 at 2045H, detected (heard) large enemy movement vic above coord, headed toward ARVN boundary. Passed to PFC Lopez at 2105H at Quang Ngai.
74	2200	198th, 5/46, AO ext request for 5/46 from 080600H to 102000H. Area bounded by BS4282, BS5082, BS5076, along river, BS4276, BS4282. Req sent to PFC Lopez at 2242H. Approved by SGT Billings at Quang Ngai at 1230H (7 July).
75	2115	11th, Sitrep, B/1/20, BS839310 at 1200H, rec'd hvy cal SA fire, res: 1 WHA (E). Changed to 1 KHA as he died of wounds.
76	2121	1st CAG, CAP 135, BS707963 at 1845H, villager told CAP team of 2 VC observing position from the hills. Told patrol to move towards VC position. Obs 2 VC w/wpns, eng'd. VC evaded over ridge line. 4.2 mission called in. Patrol did not follow due to mine field.
77	0715	(delayed entry) 11th, AO, at 1045H at BS898209, obs 3 bunkers with cement tops, 10m x 15m each. Each bunker had 1 entrance. At 1115H, BS938124, possible cave entrance at water level. 70% of the 11th Bde area covered.
78	1035	(delayed entry) 198th, A/5/46, BS745806 at 1015H, rec'd 4 rds M-79 from their S or from river (BS741806). Request gunships or FAC. 198th informed A/5/46 that gunships were committed, but they would send them as soon as possible. Further info: 1132H, unit still in contact. Receiving SA/AW fire. Element hit mine while going over bridge, res: 15 WHA (E). Request immediate AO ext from BS7078 N to boundary and E to river. AO ext cleared by PFC Seals at 1145H. Passed to 198th at 1150H. AO ext until 072400H. At 1215H, 1 evac was CO. Airstrikes preparing to go in at this time. A/5/46 S of bridge. Shooting 4.2" mortar now. At 1605H, 2 KHA. Further info on AO ext. Request ext of time until 082400H. Passed to SGT Billings at Quang Ngai at 1700H. Ext time OK, PFC Seals at 072244H. Informed 198th 072253H, SGT Wallace.
79	2010	Quang Ngai, CPT Wilson, at above time, CPT Wilson said we could have an AO ext along N-S 72 line and E-W 76 line to the coast. 198th was informed and will take the ext. Ext good until 082400H. Ext time was approved at 2245H. PFC Seals, Quang Ngai. 198th informed at 072253H, SGT Wallace.

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	0030	Quang Ngai, TOC, 11th Bde, request for AO ext from 080600H to 090600H, coord BS7057, 7059, 6859, 6857, has been approved. Word passed from PFC Seal at 080040H. SP/4 Rose, 11th Bde, informed at 080040H.
3	0103	11th, A/1/20, BS836382 at 0030H, obs 2 VC heading W to E. Eng'd w/neg results. Checking area.
4	0113	Quang Ngai, TOC, ref Col Benn's request for an ARVN Co to secure a battery of 105's. The ARVN's will send a Co. Time and place to be worked out later. Info passed from PFC Seals, Quang Ngai.
5	0130	198th, Sitrep, BS743805 (A/5/46) at 1220H, rec'd SA fire, res: 1 WHA (E).
6	0205	11th, A/1/20, BS812346 at 0153H, ambush eng'd 5-10 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA, 1xM-1 rifle CIA. Also some ammo CIA.
7	0432	198th, A/1/6, BT386152 at 0400H, made contact with PF ambush and A-23 pinned down by LMG. 1 man was wounded and carried back to Hill 54. Dustoff called for at 0428H. Dustoff complete at 0445H. 1/6 will investigate and have further details in morning.
8	0645	Ref journal entry #6: serial number of M-1 #4213113. CIA 72xrd M-1 ammo. Reported seeing a man wearing black PJ's and Ho Chi Minh sandals.
9	0120	198th, 5/46, the AO ext request of the 5/46, grids BS4282, 5082, 5076, follow river 4476 to 4276 has been cancelled, 5/46 no longer wants it. Quang Ngai informed 080130H. Present AO ext BS7081 south 7079 east 7279 south to 76 grid line and east to coast. 198th requests time ext until 102400H. Passed to PFC Seals, Quang Ngai 080130H, cleared by PFC Seals, passed to 198th, LT Blanco.
9	0547	(note: there are 2 entries for journal entry #9) 198th, TOC, vic BS7177 at 0547H, requested clearance for grid BS7177 to place in air strike. Requested from Quang Ngai for ASAP to 082400H to PFC Seals 0550H, clear until 102400H.
10	0610	198th, LT Blanco, requested a tracker dog team, they have some blood trails BS653968, called Combat Center, tracker team will be on LRRP pad at 080625H, C/1/52 eng'd & wounded 2 VC evading, have blood trails. Cancelled request.
11	0716	11th, B/1/2p, vic BS838319 at 0700H, rec'd 2 rds SA fire, 1xrd M-79, neg casualties or damage. Checked area, neg res.
12	0725	196th, S-2, request the following AO be approved for LRRP Raleigh, in lieu of the one previously approved: upper left AT9021, lower right AT9219.
13	0745	11th, TOC, vic BS248668 at 0730H, LRRP Viceroy inserted at 0730H.
14	0805	TF Cooksey, ARVN, progress of ARVN units: 1. 2/5 Bn, 1 Co located Obj #2, been there for approx 1 hr. Remainder 2/5 works east & SE between Obj #12 and FSB Sooner. 2. 3/5 Bn, same location as last night, will be working 40 EW grid line, not going as far as the river to the west & will not be going as far as the 92 grid line. 3. 4/5 Bn located on FSB Sooner, 1 Co working draw SW of Sooner.
15	0810	198th, TOC, at 0800H, CA of D/5/46, PZ Dottie, LZ Buff, PZ 0705H, LZ 0715H. PZ 0722H, LZ 0807H, complete.
16	0815	198th, gun ship, D/5/46, vic BS738779 at 0745H, rec'd SA fire on first pass, NCD.
17	0830	198th, B/5/46, vic BS726785 at 0800H, rec'd SA fire at 0800H, res: 1 WHA (E).
18	0900	11th, B/1/20, vic BS839328 at 0815H, while searching village, a nurse ran from a hut, 3 warning shots were fired, she continued to evade, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA, wearing white clothes, no ID.
19	0900	SF/LO, CPT Henderson, Special Forces Opns: Tien Phuoc: C-133 (103 per) rcn, 071300H-141800H, at 9123, 9126, 9623, 9626 (not posted, joint opn w/Americal units around O'Conner). P-133 (23 per) Rcn, 071000H to 131800H, BT0204, 0210, 1104, 1110 (posted). Gia Vuc: P-155 (30 Americal & 14 Camp Personnel) Rcn, 070800H to 111900H, BS3331, 3334, 2631, 3634, posted. P-154 (40 Americal & 14 Camp Personnel) S&D, 062300H to 091900H, vic BS4328, 4628, 4331, 4631. Ha Thanh: P-154 (30 per) Rcn, 080500H to 111700H, vic BS3862, 3562, 3566, 3866, posted. C-153 (124 per), C/S, 080400H to 111700H, vic BS3474, 3774, 3478, 3778, posted. Tra Bong: P-104: (?? Per), attack, 100530H to 141900H, vic BS2589, 3289, 2583, 3283. P-100 ended 061900H.
20	0905	198th, C/5/46, vic BS662955 at 0835H, found in a hedgerow, 4xM14 mines, 2xM16A1 mines, 200xrds .30 cal ammo, all was well camouflaged, will destroy.
21	0830	LO/1st Mar Div, LT Hardy, vic ZC2137 at 0725H, 4xcompanies (A-B-C-D, 1/26 Mar) have completed movement into Opm Pocahontas Forest (LZ Hawk, ZC208333).
22	0945	198th, B/5/46, vic BS735793 at 0935H, unit receiving AW fire at this time from above coord. Fire stopped almost as fast as it started.
23	1000	11th, CC/3/1, vic BS792469 at 0945H, rec'd 2 rds SA fire, NCD, detained 1 VCS evading.
24	1045	196th, D/2/1, vic 105234 at 0930H, rec'd 20 rds AK-47 fire, returned fire with SA. Started to check out, saw 2 MAM 700 meters NW of their location wearing black PJ's, no wpns or equip, called arty, checked area w/neg results.
25	1055	11th, S-2, 3/1, vic BS792470 at 1045H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.

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26	1101	CPT Mason, 173d Airborne Bde, GEN Blanchard going to visit bridges in the southern portion of Americal AO (ones we took over from 173d) sometime today (08 July). 11th Bde informed.
27	1112	198th, TOC, at 1000H, VR results: 1000H, saw 4 personnel around Buff. 1015H, saw approx 19 personnel at BS527863, this group split and at approx 1030H saw 9 personnel close to hootch vic BS521858.
28	1120	198th, D/5/46, vic BS740772 at 0940H, eng'd 4-5 VC with SA fire with neg results.
29	1140	196th, C/2/1, vic BT017399 at 1009H, eng'd 1 MAM evading, dressed in green uniform w/web gear, res: 1 VC KIA.
30	1140	196th, C/3/21, vic BT087255 at 0950H, obs 1 VC evading east, 200 meters from their location. Eng'd with SA fire, res: 1 VC KIA, VC was wearing black PJ's, no equip or ID, are 30-35 yrs.
31	1155	196th, Rcn/2/1, vic BT005379 at 1050H, rec'd 50 rds SA fire from 600 meters NW of their location, neg casualties, called 4.2 mortar mission, checking area now.
32	1220	TFC, CPT Freeman, at 1220H, ARVN & 1st Mar locations: 2/5 Bn AT867374. 3/5 Bn AT894395, 905388. 4/5 Bn Sooner. 1/26 Inf LZ Hawk ZC211372. A Co ZC212363. B Co ZC212382. C Co ZC201365. D Co & HQ LZ Hawk. 091000H, ARVN's will move arty battery to Sooner.
33	1245	198th, 5/46, VR mission still flying with neg sightings.
34	1258	F/8 Cav, vic BT120370 at 1207H, detained 1 VCS.
35	1258	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT116370 at 1207H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA, evac to Baldy.
36	1300	11th, CC/3/1, vic BS805443 at 1240H, 2 VC evading, eng'd, res: 2 VC CIA, evac to LZ Liz for questioning.
37	1308	196th, OP 3/21, vic BT006379 at 1220H, rec'd 3-4 rds of SA fire, NCD, checked area, found 2 tunnels and 1 bunker, did not find anything in tunnels or bunkers.
38	1420	196th, B/2/1, vic AT973323 at 1312H, found a small tunnel, 1 EM started down, set off unk type BT, res: 1 WHA (E), BT caved in tunnel.
39	1450	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT120402 at 1350H, obs 6 VC, eng'd, res: 6 VC KIA.
40	1459	1/1, B/1/1, vic BT295335 at 1445H, detained 6 MAM, evac to Hawk Hill.
41	1455	198th, Bde Security Plat, air move from LZ Dottie to LZ Buff complete 0715H.
42	1515	198th, neg sightings in 5/46 AO by FAC at 1500H.
43	1534	11th, B/1/20, vic BS838312 at 1505H, obs all the people in 4 or 5 hootches packing all of their equipment and preparing to move out. Checked them out. Detained 1 VCS female, 35 yrs old & she had medical supplies. 1615H, called SGT Aryers to find out why moving neg at this time.
44	1605	CLDC, alert condition Green at 1800H.
45	1606	11th, B/3/1, vic BS813452 at 1602H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA.
46	1610	198th, E/5/46, at 1530H-1550H, mortars (2 sections).733838 at 1530H, LZ Dottie at 1550H.
47	1615	198th, C/5/46, vic BS733838 at 1545H, C Co's resupply chopper rec'd SA fire from 734835, C Co ret'd fire, no more fire.
48	1659	11th, B/1/20, vic BS838312 at 1645H, detained 1 VCS evading, evac to Bronco.
49	1705	TF Cooksey, CPT Freeman, tentative plans for ARVN's: tomorrow at 1000H, movement of HQ's & tubes from Ryder to Sooner. 2/5th move to take Obj 22. 3/5th move to take Obj 14.
50	1708	198th, D/5/46, vic BS734788 at 1645H, rec'd 1 HG, res: 1 WHA (E), are now maneuvering to suspected position.
51	1720	11th, B/1/20, vic BS838312 at 1700H, detained 1 VCS, interpreter said she is wife of VC tax collector, will evac to Bronco.
52	1720	26th Engr, D/26, vic BT333208 at 1030H, went back into area of yesterday's ammo cache, found: 8x57mm rds, 2x81mm illum rds, 13xM-79, 17x81mm HE, 4x60mm, 2 blocks of TNT, assortment of .45, .50, 7.52 cal ammo. Destroyed in place.
53	1723	196th, TOC LRRP Raleigh inserted at 1720H, grid 919199, they are moving, will send a night position.
54	1734	11th, B/1/20, vic BS838312 at 1715H, detained 1 VCS male, 25-40 yrs old, dressed in white shirt & black trousers.
55	1758	TFC, TOC, 1715H, movement of C/4/31: form AT889227 to Obj Creek, PZ 1715H, LZ 1745H, complete 1745H.
56	1535	(delayed entry) 11th, B/3/1, BS809451 at 1520H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
57	1828	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT095392 at 1810H, detained 2 VCS, evac to Hawk Hill.
58	1850	Ha Thanh, Rcn/3/1 and 6 CSF were eng'd by 1 sniper vic 353696 with no casualties on either side.
59	1900	11th, TOC, at 0900H, res of VR mission in AO: BS812424, obs 4x10m tunnels. BS722368, obs 4 trenches and numerous fox holes. BS821261, obs 3x10m trenches. BS827248, obs 3 trenches along trail. 90 % coverage of AO.
60	1915	11th, Aero Scouts, BS370600 at 1600H, detained 1 VCS. Evac to Bronco for interrogation.

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1	0001	Journal Opened.
2	0045	TF Cooksey, B/4/31, AT862211 at 0015H, ambush obs movement at 2320H (8 Jul) and 0015H ambushed 7 VC. Res: 3 VC KIA, 4 VC WIA. VC were moving W to E on trail. Will check area at first light.
3	0235	TF Cooksey, E/4/31, AT938210 at 0222H, Hill 210 rec'd 3 mortar rds. NCD. Later reported 1 WHA (E) and 2 WHA (M). Lost contact with LP. Sending out patrol.
4	0430	11th, A/3/1, BS697570 at 0404H, one of A Co's ambushes spotted movement. Ambush rec'd 2-3 rds SA fire. Called arty. Will check area in the morning.
5	0432	11th, D/1/20, BS932243 at 0415H, ambush spotted 2 VC moving down trail. Opened fire w/neg results. Element returned to CP.
6	2245	(delayed entry from 8 Jul) 11th, MAJ Swichert, BS052837, VR sightings: excessive rice drying, more than normal for this area. Bunkers and tunnels on S ridge, more than 10 bunkers and 15 fox holes, 3-5 tunnel entrances and more under construction. Looks like a new area and looks as if it has been worked on during the last 2 weeks.
7	1720	(delayed entry) I Corps TOC, at 1720H, I Corps TOC to Americal TOC, at 071325H in Tuan Duong Hamlet vic BT241320, the ARVN convoy traveling to Quang Ngai rec'd SA fire from a USMC truck B 16405, that may be an Americal truck. The shot destroyed a tire, the shot was fired by a USMC LT Ericson. The ARVN truck 1-1/2 ton 54132. 9th Engr has a LT Erickson in C Co 9th Engr, they would like a copy of spot report.
8	2045	(delayed entry) 11th Bde, 3/1, at 2045H, request an AO ext from 100600H to 110800H for area vic BS6860, 6857, 7157, 7160, believe VC Bn in area.
9	2310	(delayed entry) Quang Ngai, TOC, the 4th Recon Co will conduct LRRP to reconnoiter area west of Quang Ngai vic BS500720 & 520690, time element: 092000H to 172400H. This team of 8 men will be wearing black and grey uniforms, rubber slippers, and bush hats. These men will operate in three teams, it will last for 4 days, each team will operate on a 24 hour basis. These men are dressed similar to enemy. This info is passed so the friendly will not engage them.
10	0603	TF Cooksey, 4/31, vic AT940211 at 0600H, receiving mortar fire, 4 rds 0600H. 5 rds 0607H, 0613H rds incoming, 10 rds last at 0618H. Gunships dispatched 0620H, Helix on station 0613H. Was 82mm mortar, vic AT931212, fired CM, res: 3 WHA (M), a total of 10 mortar rounds.
11	0234	198th, PF's at 082355H, vic BT396176, requested arty on suspected grid, res: 1 VN female civ KHA, 1 VN female civ wounded and evac. PF's heard noise and movement, called for arty illum and then HE. CPT Krug is tracking down all info he can find.
12	0740	196th, D/4/21, AT854216 at 0648H, obs 1 VCS evading, 75 meters, wearing khaki uniform, eng'd w/SA fire, res: 1 VC KIA, 20 yrs old, had on him: 1 hammock, 1 chicken.
13	082235	(delayed entry) 196th, S-2, LT Robinson, request the following AO be approved for LRRP Camel: AT963402, 991424, 998411, 969373, 970380. 082305H, source changed 2nd set of grids to read as above. 082310H, informed above source AO approved. 082320H, source stated that planned insertion for 091300H.
14	0730	11th Bde, TOC, request LRRP AO ext vic BS4241 to 4641 to 4237 to 4637, for time period 091200H - 141800H July.
15	0815	SF/LO CPT Henderson Gia Vuc, P-156 (20 pers) Rcn, 101900H to 151900H, corners BS3616, 4116, 4119, 3619. Ha Thanh, P-155 (29 Americal & 7 camp pers) Rcn, 080430H to 131700H, corners BS3065, 3570, 3870. Ba To, P1-24 (46 pers) Rcn, 100500H to 131930H, corners BS5358, 5354, 6158, 6154.
16	0843	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT081302 at 0835H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
17	0857	11th, vic BS392471 at 0657H, LRRP Parliament inserted 0657H vic BS392471. LRRP Viceroy thinks someone is following them, will request to be extracted later today.
18	0901	196th, TOC, vic AT881219 at 0900H, LRRP Raleigh inserted.
19	0906	1/1, F/8 Cav, 0905H vic BT092307, eng'd 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
20	0920	198th, C/1/52, vic BS652957 at 0810H, found: 4x3 lb cans of onions, 5xlbs salt, 28xbars of soap, 2xlbs sugar, 1xlb beans, 12xtubes of toothpaste. Left in village, believe villagers were hiding it from VC.
21	0920	198th, B/1/46, vic BS231126 at 0800H, picked up 3 VCS in gray pants and shirts. The people are leading them to a cache.
22	0920	198th, H/17 Cav, vic BS734792 at 0810H, track hit 105mm mine, pressure detonating, res: 2 WHA (E), moderate damage to track.
23	0920	198th, D/5/46, vic BS732779 at 0830H, found documents and pictures of wounded US soldiers.
24	0935	196th, C/2/1, vic BT077306 at 0723H, a VN boy told C Co that he saw a VC plant a mine, sent squad out to check, found 1 anti-tank mine, pressure detonating, destroyed in place.
25	0945	196th, F/8 Cav, vic 100410 at 0930H, rec'd 10 to 12 rds SA fire, NCD.
26	0945	196th, Aerial Observer, vic AT820206 at 0930H, obs 3 VC evading, dressed in black PJ's, called arty, res: 1 VC KIA.
27	0948	Hoi An, 5th Co ROK's, vic BT088517 at 0715H, sprung ambush, res: 8 VC KIA.

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28	1014	196th, B/2/1, vic AT979360 at 0135H, eng'd 1 VC, checked area, res: 1 VC KIA.
29	1025	11th, B/3/1, vic BS784462 at 1015H, detained 1 VCS evading.
30		USA SF: Tien Phuoc: 7 July, coded agent reported 300 NVA, possible element of 1st VC Regt, equipped with 2x82mm mortars, 2x60mm mortars, 1x57mm RR, located vic BT004093, Eval C-2. Gia Vuc: 7 July, coded agent reported 1 VC plat. Ldr Dinh Nghi, equipped with AW/SA, located vic BS480275. Ha Thanh: 6 July, agent reported K-2 Bn, cmdr Nguyen Van Binh, strength 300 men, equipped with 1xLMG, 1x57 RR, located vic BS400596, F-3. K-2 Regt previously reported on 19 Jun with K-11 Bn loc vic BS430565. Nong Son: 7 July, VNSF source reported 2U/8 VC Co loc vic AT8336, and 1 VC CO loc vic AT824341, mission, attack Nong Son and OP's, Eval F-3.
31	1040	196th, A/26 Engr, vic BS074385 at 0950H, found a mine, 11.5" x 10", OD in color on S side of road, made of plastic, anti-vehicle type. Blown in place leaving crater 9' x 5', crater was filled in.
32	1051	198th, B/5/46, H/17 Cav, vic BS732791 at 0840H, command detonated mine, 2 WHA (E), 1 man lost both legs, 1 man multiple frag wounds.
33	1055	198th, TOC, at 1035H, ref journal entry #22, change to read 1 WHA (M).
34	1100	198th, B/1/6, B-16 taken to Hill 69, PZ 0800H, LZ 0830H, complete.
35	1104	196th, TOC, at 0900H-0945H, VR report. Readings AT993293-AT993295, obs 2 VC w/wpns. At AT986389, gunships eng'd, neg results.
36	1159	196th Bde, Aerial Observer, vic AT826199 at 0845H, obs 1 VC evading from E to W, crossed river, evaded into some tress, saw 1 VC vic AT825197, eng'd w/art, res: 1 VC KIA.
37	1159	196th Bde, Aerial Observer, vic AT826211 at 1000H, obs 15-20 camouflaged sampans on west side of river, called arty, destroyed 7.
38	1225	198th, D/5/46, vic BS730774, detained an old man, he says his son is a VC and his son went to Van Thien to get NVA training, then went to unk location in the mountains to hide. Also says in the village, vic BS7080, there are VC and that they plan to cross the river over a submerged bridge at BS695805.
39	1255	11th Bde, D/1/20, vic BS931248 at 1230H, detained 1 VCS in hootch. Found khaki uniform, VCS is 30-40 yrs old.
40	1300	TOC, FSE, at approx 0930H-0940H 9 July, ARVN arty was firing in grids BT3308 & BT3309. 1/14 Arty called Tam Ky and asked for check fire. After the second call approx 0945H, ARVN ceased fire. Rounds impacted within 400M of Rcn/1/6 Inf. ARVN claims these grids fall inside the Tam Ky NFZ. They show the NFZ as extending 1k further E and W and 1k further N than we do. FSE told 1/14 Arty to ask the 198th to keep out of this area until the problem is resolved.
41	1300	198th, Rcn/1/6, vic BT347086 at 1215H, rec'd hvy AW fire from 4 different directions, called arty, firing stopped, neg cas.
42	1335	196th, TOC, at 1330H, LRRP Camel inserted AT970388.
43	1336	11th, TOC, at 1325H vic BS258662, LRRP Viceroy was extracted. They were being followed, when they were picked up, the chopper rec'd several rounds of rifle fire.
44	1345	198th, D/5/46, vic BS733779 at 1230H, US were carrying rice and hit a mine, 3 WHA (E), Dustoff called, pressure type BT.
45	1345	G-3 to 198th, be prepared to commit 1 Bn plus supporting arty to 196th on order. Direct coordination with TF Cooksey directed. 198th responsible to move unit. OPCON to pass upon arrival in 196th area.
46	1347	11th, B/3/1, vic BS791437 at 1905H, will CA vicinity BS791437, BS788436 at 1905H. VC meeting every night at 1830H.
47	1402	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT283402 at 091402H, eng'd 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
48	1410	1/1, TOC, one platoon of C/1/1 chopped to 196th at 1400H.
49	1440	196th, LRRP Raleigh obs SA fire being fired on acft, acft took no hits, gunships on station, also FAC on station.
50	1441	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT283402 at 1400H, detained 1 MAM.
51	1422	11th, CC/3/1, vic BS802438 at 1405H, detained 2 VCS evading.
52	1422	11th, B/3/1, vic BS803440 at 1350H, detained 1 VCS evading.
53	1450	Ha Thanh, USA SF A-1, at 1300H, Opn C-153 was ambushed by a reinforced plat, identity unk, casualties were 1 CIDG KHA, 1 CIDG WHA, no enemy losses except for 1xChicom 44. Distance of contact was 200 meters.
54	1455	198th, D/5/46, vic BS742765 at 1438H, located 1000 lbs of rice in a destroyed village, was packed in bags & jars, will evac.
55	1500	11th Bde, TOC, vic BS370600 at 081800H, read out on two detainees Aero Scouts picked up in Song Tra Valley. 1. Dinh Thi Siem, female, had a wpn, was picked up close to KIA, neg intel from her, age 40. 2. Dinh Hon, male, age 45, found hiding BS373600 in a hole, lives in hamlet at coord BS3661, in 1965 he was moved to Ha Thanh by PF's, but after VC attacked Ha Thanh he moved back to hamlet. VC activity in area: groups of 5-10 VC have been seen moving through his hamlet (no specific direction). During harvest time twice a year (continued)

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55	1500	(continued) VC come to hamlet and take 350 kilos of rice from each family. Once a month a MF VC plat gets women from the village to act as carriers to carry supplied for the MF unit. 3 months ago VC came and recruited young men to serve with VC. Never has seen NVA soldiers in area.
56	1506	196th, B/4/21, vic AT840239 at 1440H, rec'd 10 rds AW fire from across river, NCD, called arty and firing stopped.
57	1550	Quang Ngai, FAC, vic BS725843 at 1430H, obs 50 people moving west, it looked as if they had wpns, but FAC is not sure. 198th will check out.
58	0730	11th Bde, TOC, request LRRP AO ext, from BS4241, 4641, 4237, 4637 for time period 091200H-141800H July 68. Cleared by SF liaison at 091410H, cleared by Quang Ngai at 091703H.
59	1250	S-2, 39th Engr, B/39, vic BS638780 at 1120H, PFC was working at I443 (bridge), EM fell into water, other EM went into water after him, but could not hold on to him, he went under and has not been located. Using hooks trying to find him. Found body 1345H, 1xNBK.
60	1530	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT137339 at 1525H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
61	1607	1/1, B/1/1, vic BT228443 at 1545H, detained 1 MAM.
62	1607	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT104366 at 1600H, detained 1 MAM.
63	1608	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT103380 at 1600H, detained 1 MAM.
64	1608	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT100374 at 1600H, detained 2 MAM.
65	1610	26th Engr, A/26, vic BT075385 at 0950H, found a OD mine with plastic explosive. Blown in place, left a crater 9' wide and 5' deep, road repaired.
66	1613	196th, LRRP Raleigh, vic AT882223 at 1530H, LRRP Raleigh was obs by 3 VN, requested extraction.
67	1635	196th, ref journal entry #35, change coord of reading to AT993393, AT998395.
68	1635	CLDC, alert condition Green effective 1800H.
69	1700	196th, TOC, vic AT913205 at 1655H, LRRP Raleigh extracted.
70	1710	196th, B/1/46, vic BT241116 at 1610H, called arty on 6 VC in opening, res: 1 VC KIA.
71	1710	Ref journal entry #58, LRRP AO ext approved. Cleared by SF, Quang Ngai, and again by Quang Ngai (SGT Billings).
72	1710	G-2, SGT Cook, thunderstorms in immediate vic of Duc Pho. Surface winds variable w/gusts less than 30 knots. Passed to 11th Bde, SGT Gaylord.
73	0720	(delayed entry) C/39th Engr, BS643737 at 091700H, rec'd 10 rds sniper fire, ret'd fire, cont'd mission.
74	1725	196th, A/2/1, BT805391 at 0934H, obs 8 VC, 6 in black PJ's, 2 in green uniforms, 400m N, moving S. Eng'd with SA, res: 1 VC KIA, dressed in green uniform.
75	1725	196th, D/3/21, BT095235 at 1706H, rec'd 30 rds of AK-47 sniper fire. Called arty, neg casualties.
76	1759	11th, D/3/1, BS765515 at 1740H, rec'd sniper fire, have C&C checking the area.
77	1825	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT340295 at 1815H, eng'd 3 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
78	1805	III MAF, at 1210H, ROK's rec'd report from PF: 3 Bn were seen moving N vic BT064572, BT062528, and BT060530. Has not been confirmed by either ROK's or Americans.
79	1815	1st CAG, CAP 114, BT270278 at 1500H, while moving W, rec'd SA fire. Ret'd fire, called arty. Res: 1 USMC WHA (E) from another USMC's fire.
80	1827	196th, B/2/1, AT 979360 at 1655H, found 1 VC body 100m outside their perimeter. KIA by SA fire.
81	1945	11th, B/3/1, BS791437 at 1915H, lift for CA complete at 1915H. LZ cold.
82	2011	1/1, A/1/1, BT140313 at 2005H, eng'd 1 MAM evading W. Res: 1 VC KIA, no wpn or web gear.
83	2030	198th, R/1/6, BT347086 at 1629H, rec'd mortar fire. 1 WHA (E). Calling Dustoff and gunships. At 1640H, unit rec'd 4-6 mortar rds. Res: 1 WHA (E), 1 KHA. At 1805H, extracted to Hill 54. PZ 1746H (BT347086). LZ 1755H. Total from mortar attack: 2 KHA, 7 WHA (E). At 2030H change to: 1 KHA, 8 WHA (E).
84	1903	11th, TOC, at 1903H, VR Report: At BS5690, obs 60-60 indiv, only a few were working in rice field. As acft circled, all people except the ones working in field moved into a group and moved N along trail at BS601607. The people did not appear to be carrying anything. Time: 0830H. 100% of AO covered.
85	1754	(delayed entry) 1/1, TOC, acft report: 4 on station, 4 on stand-by. Neg results. F/8 Cav missions: total time 11 hrs 50 min. Neg results on missions flown for 4/31.
86	1840	(delayed entry) Minh Long, A-1, pti 103 initiated a raid on VC vic 512442 with 1 enemy KIA and no friendly casualties. Est 1 sqd in black PJ's.
87	2005	MAG-13, G-5, right now at BT483117 and BT502093, there is one plat. CO's name: Xay Dung. Came on 8 Jul at 2400H. One Bn (74th) at BT376065. People at BT483117 and BT502093 plan to conduct campaign on 20 Jul to support the Paris peace talks in villages such as Ky Ha, Ky Hon, and Ky Lien (propaganda).

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2	2235	(delayed entry) 198th, C/5/46, vic BS682865 at 2150H, rec'd some SA fire, had 2 people WHA (E), required gunships & extracted squad, complete at 2230H.
3	2305	(delayed entry) 198th, D/5/46, vic BS730779 at 2256H, ambush squad in contact. Rec'd 2 HG's, 10-12 rds sniper fire, and have requested arty. 0653H, res: 1 WHA (E).
4	2325	(delayed entry) 196th, Tiger Base, 2/1, vic BT012371 at 2230H, rec'd SA fire, fired 106 RR in return, neg casualties, neg results.
5	2350	(delayed entry) 11th, B/1/20, OP, vic BS883343 at 2307H, spotted a boat, came to shore, 1 man met the boat, boat went out, boat came back and 2 men got off. The 2 plus the man on shore headed west to BS880340. Are firing arty on this grid, 3 men moved into tree line, fired in tree line, neg assessment.
6	0030	196th, D/2/1, vic BT002398 at 0010H, 2 VC KIA, 2 detainees, broke contact and sweeping area from above coord south. Still hear some movement. Also some medical supplies, grey uniforms and documents.
7	0510	11th, D/1/20, vic BS926254 at 0454H, element eng'd 2 VC from night ambush position, searched area w/neg results.
8	0615	198th, C/1/52, vic BS662957 at 0613H, 1st PZ, CA complete at 0705H.
9	0730	198th, C/1/52, vic BS546898 at 0723H, hit BT, res: 5 WHA (E), calling Dustoff, complete 0740H.
10	0800	USA SF: Ha Thanh, P-151 closed 081700H. P-152 closed 081700H. Ba To, P-128 (41 per) rcn, 101830H-141800H, corners BS4536, 5533, 5531, 4533. Minh Long: P-101 closed 081900H.
11	0804	196th, C/3/21, vic BS055250 at 0715H, point man detonated 1 Chicom HG camouflaged, setup w/trip wire, left crater 1' wide x 6" deep, 2 WHA (M).
12	0805	196th, LT Balsberry, tracker team request for 3 days. Stay at Baldy and be ready for use by Bn units.
13	0808	198th, C/5/46, vic BS555814 at 0715H, Dustoff for one detainee complete 0725H, 2d Surg. Group of 50 people along road when Americans approached, the one man ran, he was engaged with SA, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA.
14	0810	11th, A/26 Engr, vic BS764443 at 0730H, while sweeping road, located mine w/wire going off to side of road. While following wire man tripped BT, res: 1 US KHA.
15	0835	11th, B/1/20, vic BS837322 at 0730H, while preparing to move out, rec'd 1 rd od SA fire, res: 1 US KHA.
16	0950	11th, Rcn/1/20, vic BS484455 at 0900H, eng'd 4 VC, res: 3 VC KIA, 1xAK-47 w/magazine, 2xChicom HG, 1xNVA pistol belt, 1xkhaki uniform, and 1xgreen uniform CIA, AK-47 SN 110641142.
17	0958	198th, C/1/52, ref journal entry #9, changed to read 1 KHA, 4 WHA (E).
18	1005	198th, A/5/46, at 0943H-0957H, lift to Dottie, PZ 0943H, LZ 0957H, complete.
19	0950	ITOC, CPT Johnson, called concerning shooting incident involving LT Eriksen of 9th Marines, wanted to know what was outcome. Called LTC Perea of 9th Engr, he said they investigated incident. It was true and they have officially reprimanded the LT. He is CO of 9th Engr and was perturbed about the excessive speed of the ARVN truck, used poor judgment in his actions. Passed results to CPT Johnson ITOC 1015H.
20	1000	11th Bde, C/1/20, vic BS926272 at 0930H, eng'd 2 VC, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 VC CIA, taken to LZ Bronco for interrogation.
21	1015	198th, B/1/46, vic BT227116 at 0950H, eng'd 3 VC, res: 1 VC KIA, wearing green uniforms. The KIA was wearing pistol belt.
22	1015	Minh Long, A-1, at 0900H vic BS484455, Hurricane with 6 CIDG eng'd 4 enemy vic 484455, enemy dressed in khaki, green uniforms & black PJ's. 3 enemy KIA, neg casualties for friendlies, equip CIA were 1xAK-47, 2xChicom grenades, 1xNVA pistol belt. 11th Bde sent in same as Recon 1/20 report.
23	1040	196th, A/3/21, vic BS072187 at 1015H, obs 4 MAM bathing in a river, wearing blue shorts, 100m SW of their location. Eng'd with SA fire, res: 1 VC KIA, also obs pack on other side of bank.
24	1040	196th, TOC, LRRP Lucky Strike, AO AT9020, 9220, 9018, 9218. Plan to insert LRRP this afternoon 1500H.
25	1045	198th, D/5/46, air move from BS729794 to LZ Buff, PZ 1005H, LZ 1039H, complete.
26	1050	1/1, B/1/1, vic BT292353 at 1045H, 1 MAM evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
27	1055	11th, B/1/20, vic BS815321 at 1050H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA (22-27 yrs of age).
28	1115	198th, B/5/46, lift to Dottie, 1st PZ 1052H, last LZ 1103H, B received some fire on PZ.
29	1116	1/1, C/1/1, vic BT190224 at 1055H, detained 1 VCS, approx 50 yrs of age.
30	1135	Minh Long, A-1, vic BS536432 at 1115H, VC opened fire from hill top at Opn P-102, causing one CIDG WIA, no enemy casualties.
31	1147	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT273389 at 1138H, detained 1 MAM.
32	1148	11/, F/8 Cav, vic BT279395 at 1145H, detained 1 MAM.
33	1150	11th, Aero Scouts, vic BS362388 at 1000H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA and 1xAK-47 SN 10079508.

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34	1213	11th, D/1/20, vic BS932261 at 1140H, detained 1 VCS in a hootch, will evac to Bronco.
35	1250	1/1, A/1/1, vic BT185301 at 1245, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
36	1255	298th Security Platoon, moved from Buff, PZ 1208H, to Bayonet, LZ 1230H, complete 1230H.
37	1316	11th, CC/3/1, vic BS698589 at 1245H, detained 1 VCS evading.
38	1316	11th, B/3/1, vic BS805455 at 1230H, detained 1 VCS, had false ID card.
39	1420	198th, at 1405H, B (-) 5/46, H/17, and A/1/1, closed LZ Dottie at 1405H.
40	1430	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT077345 at 1423H, detained 1 VCS. At 1426H vic BT081374, detained 4 VCS.
41	1445	11th, D/3/1, vic BS695581 at 1400H, hit BT, res: 4 WHA, 1 KHA, 3 evac & 1 minor, Dustoff complete 1420H.
42	1420	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT081374 at 1415H, obs 2 MAM evading, eng'd, res: 2 VC KIA.
43	1438	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT081374 at 1430H, obs 2 MAM evading, eng'd, res: 2 VC KIA, 1 US WHA (E), frag wounds.
44	1445	1/1, C/1/1, vic BT183224 at 1436H, detained 2 MAM.
45	1455	196th, D/3/21, vic BT106220 at 1410H, rec'd 4 rds of semi-auto fire, 400 meters N of location, arty called.
46	1515	1/1, F/8th Cav, vic BT085366 at 1515H, eng'd 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
47	1520	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT085366 at 1515H, detained 1 indiv.
48	1525	198th, 5/46, vic BS765826 at 1418H, Swift Boats eng'd 25 MAM in two junks, they were on beach, had wpns, eng'd with 81mm and .50 cal, res: 1 secondary explosion, fire, 2 VC KIA, 2 sampans destroyed, 1 structure destroyed, gunships are in area.
49	1527	196th, C/1/1, vic BT113488 at 1520H, obs 1 VC evading S, chased him for 1500 meters, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, 30-40 yrs old, wearing black PJ's, no wpn or equip.
50	1530	196th, TOC, LRRP Camel, night location AT974391.
51	1130	(delayed entry) Amcal CI (Eval C-3) at 1900H, 8 July 68, one VC Co known as the "Flaming Co" was in vic BT484043 Ky Sanh (V) moving to vic BT429058, Ky Sanh (V). The area at BT429058 is mined and booby trapped. There are 15 Chicom soldiers with the Co. Mission is to attack Ly Tin Dist HQ and rocket Chu Lai Base around 20 Jul 68. CO: Nguyen Loan. Wpns: 2xAA guns (cal unk), 3x81mm mortars, 3xrt launchers (type unk), 3xauto rifles, and explosives. Gray uniforms. One NVA Regt, known as the "Gray Tiger" moved from NVN to vic BS357962 near the Quang Nam-Quang Tin border for additional military and political training. There are a number of Chicom and Montangards with the regt. Mission is to move to Chu Lai and other areas of Quang Tin Prov during early Aug 68. CO: Nguyen Quang Trung. Wpns: several crew served (types unk). Gray uniforms. Unit has 2 elephants to use for cargo.
52	1200	(delayed entry) 196th, TOC, at 1700H, LRRP Tareyton located at 912193 until 2000H. Then they will move.
53	1045	(delayed entry) 39thEngr, want to run convoy to FSB Young tomorrow, 6 vehicles. Passed to 198th. Passed to Tam Ky, LT Hershel. Reminded him of agreement that ARVN's would OP the road and secure mine sweep team. Passed to ADE. Further info: ARVN's have requested trucks to run convoy to Tien Phuoc. Passed to all listed above.
54	1551	196thTOC, LRRP Tareyton inserted.
55	1610	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT084342 at 1553H, detained 1 indiv w/docs and first aid kit.
56	1620	198th, HQ/5/46, 774828 at 1525H, gunships eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
57	1630	11th, C/19 Engr, BS913164 at 1330H, 2 people in 1-4 were hit by M-79 and SA fire. Vehicle blown over. 2 WHA (E) to LZ English. APC swept area w/neg results. Left bumper had No. 41CA68, right bumper USARV. C/19 Engr have vehicle. The two people were 1 US officer and 1 EM.
58	1640	CLDC, condition "Green" at 1800H.
59	1641	196th, D/3/21, BT106217 at 1550H, rec'd 30-40 rds AK-47 sniper fire. Ret'd with SA. 400m E of location. Arty called, area well covered.
60	1645	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT081374 at 1643H, 2 VC evading, res: 2 VC KIA.
61	1700	198th, C/5/46, PZ BS555815, LZ Dottie. 2d PZ 1621H, last LZ 1635H.
62	1708	11th, FAC, BS723283 at 1500H, VR report: at above coord obs many camouflaged huts and much rice growing in previously uninhabited valley. No further sightings. 100% coverage of AO.
63	1730	1/1, F/8 Cav, ref journal entry #40. Hamlet info cadre, 6 months ago. Mission: organize people for meeting when VC had propaganda to put out.
64	1735	11th, CC/3/1, BS782434 at 1725H, detained 1 VCS evading. Evac to LZ Liz.
65	1745	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT231449 at 1745H, 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
66	1750	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT269419 at 1750H, 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.

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1	0001	Journal Opened
2	0115	198th, 1/6, BT378175 at 2310H, reported that their tracks on the Ba Bau Bridge saw a sampan, opened fire on it. Sampan was sunk and drifted away.
3	0545	198th, CLDC, normal daylight duties at 0620H.
4	0640	11th, B/3/1, BS756444 at 2100H, captured 1 VCS at above coord. Taken to LZ Liz.
5	0642	11th, B/3/1, BS764456 at 2200H, captured 1 VCS at above coord. Taken to LZ Liz.
6	1110	(delayed entry from 10 Jul) 196th, CPT Leach, request AO to put LRRP team ASAP for 5 days. AO: AT9818, 9815, BT0115, 0116. Passed to Tam Ky. Approved by Tam Ky (MAJ Sheppard). Msg sent to III MAF.
7	1045	(delayed entry from 10 Jul) 11th, TOC, request LRRP Parliament AO be extended until 14 July at 1700H. AO: BS3548, 3543, 4048, 4043. Passed to and approved by Quang Ngai (LT Phuoc), msg sent to III MAF regarding continuation of suspension of SSZ.
8	1500	(delayed entry from 10 Jul) 11th, TOC, request LRRP AO ext BS2952, 3252, 2949, 3249 and cancellation of SSZ Charlie from 120700H to 161800H July. Passed to Quang Ngai. Request approved by LT Phuoc at 1632H.
9	0600	198th, C/1/52, vic BS566914 at 0545H, Bde TOC reports that 2 US and 10 PF's were inserted at above coord to interdict a trail. LZ time 0549H.
10	0757	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT132364 at 0755H, eng'd 2 MAM evading, res: 2 VC KIA.
11	0845	11th, C/1/20, vic BS846330 at 0818H, detained 3 VCS, found in hootch with anti US documents. VCS will be evac to Bronco, documents will follow.
12	0745	11th, TOC, LRRP Chesterfield inserted 0725H.
13	0755	1/1 Cav, AO ext, 1/1, 2d ARVN area, at BT217230, BT230230, BT230210, BT210210. Time: from 110830H to 111900H to work area with F/8 Cav, F/8 Cav has rec'd fire from area in the past and wish to check it out. Passed to Tam Ky, 0905H approved by LT Herschell, approval passed to 1/1.
14	0900	196th, R/3/21, vic AT027219 at 0840H, obs 1 VC evading east, 75m from his location, khaki shirt, green shorts, eng'd with SA. Res: 1 VC KIA, 20 yrs old, no wpns/equip or documents.
15	0955	1/1, B/1/1, vic BT204440 at 0945H, ACAV hit mine, 4 WHA (E), extent of damage unk at this time.
16	0001	(delayed entry) Quang Ngai, TOC, Opn QT-49 GXP, 6 RF Co's, 3/4 and 1/5 ARVN, Bn 16 CIDG clearing BS6675, BS7575, BS7062, BS7662. Opn 302, 1 plat infiltrate, time 110300H, 1 day, BS644651-BS654653.
17	0736	11th, 1/20, vic BS735324 at 0710H, found 4 sets of military clothing, khaki, some medical supplies, red pin, sword running through a star on a black background. CIA 1 VCS, man was sitting in hootch where equipment was found. The man will be evac to Bronco.
18	0736	11th, A/3/1, vic BS685560 at 0650H, 1 US WHA (M) when a blasting cap exploded while taking in a claymore. Routine Dustoff.
19	0810	196th, R/3/21, vic AT027225 at 0710H, obs 2 MAM evading 125m north of their location, eng'd with SA, res: 2 VC KIA, no wpns or equip.
20	0956	196th, F/8 Cav, 4/3, vic AT985273 at 0950H, obs 2 MAM evading acft, res: 2 VC KIA, wearing black PJ's.
21	1000	11th, B/3/1, vic BT813424 at 0957H, detained 1 VCS found in hut, will be brought to Liz for questioning.
22	1000	196th, D/3/21, vic AT092225 at 0705H, obs 1 MAM 150m north of their location evading, dressed in khaki shirt and black PJ's, eng'd with SA, res: 1 VC KIA.
23	0727	(delayed entry) Ba To, USA SF A-1, vic BS538377, Opn P-126, rec'd harassing and recon by fire from approx 6 VC with SA and automatic wpns, no casualties.
24	0935	Tam Ky, QT-63, from 110500H to 120500H, 1 day opn, from BT2526 to BT2023 to BT2523 to NT2026. 1 RF Bn. Passed to 1/1 0951H. 1100H. 1/1 approves (SGT Aires).
25	0950	198th, request AO ext into 2d ARVN area. From 11th ASAP to 122400H. For air and arty opn only. From BS710755 N to boundary and from same coord E to South China Sea. Passed to SGT Billings, Quang Ngai at 1025H. Approved SGT Billings (LT Luu). Friendlies are 35 people at BS718758, passed approval to LT Blanco, also info on friendly locations.
26	1000	USA SF: Tien Phuoc, P-134 (41 pers), Rcn, 111800H to 131800H, corners BT1319, 1719, 1714, 1314. Passed to 198th. P-130 closed 091800H. Minh Long, P-105 (66 pers) Rcn, 120500H to 151930H, corners BS5651, BS5648, BS6051, BS6048. Passed to 11th Bde.
27	1005	198th, C/5/46, vic BS555816 at 0607H, obs large group of people all carrying salt, 1 male evaded, eng'd with SA, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA, evac to 2d Surg, 2 more detained. At 1000H, ref above, District Chief Son Tinh feels that this is a VC supply movement, he requested all salt be taken and detainees be held for questioning. At 1155H, C/5/46 had 5-6 tons of salt ready for extraction. 1530H, completed extraction of 13,800 lbs of salt to Son Tinh.
28	1005	39th Engr, C/39, vic BS722578 at 0755H, VN pointed out AP mine, east shoulder of road contained bamboo firing device, beer can with 1 lb TNT, removed mine and continued sweep.

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29	1020	198th, B/1/46, vic BT225113 at 0946H, obs 4 VC, 2 had wpns, eng'd, res: 1 VCS CIA, he had no equipment with him at time of CIA.
30	1025	1/1, ref journal entry #15 concerning ACAV hitting mine. Further info: vehicle was mortar track. Heavily damaged, mortar and base plate destroyed. Left crater 20' wide x 10' deep. Estimated to be a pressure detonated 250 lb bomb.
31	1030	196th, TOC, Sniffer mission, flown at 0900h-0945H, got max reading on trail from AT200260-AT213277, could be base camp or someone moving on trail.
32	1048	11th, vic BS418401, LRRP Chesterfield inserted at 0725H.
33	1055	TF Cooksey, CPT Henderson, 3/5 ARVN reached Obj 15 at 0800H, 2/5 reached Obj 23 at 1100H, C/1/26 Mar reached Obj UTE at 0855H.
34	1100	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT230419 at 1055H, eng'd 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
35	1114	196th, C/3/21, vic BT074203 at 1015H, obs 8 VC, khaki uniforms, standing in open, called arty. Res: 2 VC KIA.
36	1115	11th, CC/3/1, vic BS803484 at 1100H, CIA 1 VCS hiding in bushes, evac to LZ Liz.
37	1125	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT230419 at 1118H, detained 2 VCS.
38	1140	196th, TOC, LRRP Tareyton's location AT914181.
39	1140	196th, B/3/21, vic BT00822 at 1100H, obs 3 MAM evading 250m west of their location, eng'd with SA. Res: 1 VC KIA, dressed in black PJ's, 25 yrs old, neg wpns/equip, other 2 evaded to the east.
40	1140	1/1, F/8 Cav, at 1135H, Inf extracted back to 1/1 location, extracted from BT232416, inserted at 1055H vic BT230490.
41	1140	11th, B/3/1, vic BS814434 at 1125H, detained 1 VCS, no ID card, evac to LZ Liz.
42	1200	198th, B/1/52, vic BS578964, traveling south on Hwy #1, explosion to the rear at BS578964, fragments hit 3 wheeled vehicles. Res: 7 VC WIA/CIA, Dustoff complete 1110H. 2LT Thu saw a PF throw a HG at above people.
43	1200	198th, A/1/52, PZ 1126H Gator, LZ 1133H BT650015. 1st plat of A CA'd to above coord, LZ cold.
44	1215	196th, A/4/21, vic AT826214 at 1140H, flushed 5 NVA from bushes across river, eng'd, res: 1 NVA KIA, wearing pack w/surgical equipment, CIA 1xUS M-1 carbine SN 3922751. Found a believed to be Co size base camp. 1 hootch had wooden table believed to be mess area. Found 1xNVA tool kit, 1xNVA canteen w/star. The other 4 NVA evaded west.
45	1220	196th, C/3/21, vic BT069228 at 1120H, obs 4 MAM in open, 3 wearing black shirts, 1 wearing a green uniform. Called arty. Res: 1 VC KIA laying on trail, when arty lifted 2 VC tried to pick up body, called arty again. Res: 1 more VC KIA. Total 2 VC KIA, could not obs wpns or equip.
46	1220	1/1, B/1/1, ref journal entry #15, change the 4 WHA (E) to read 1 KHA and 3 WHA (E).
47	1125	198th, C/1/14 Arty, vic BS645940 at 1115H, CAP 137 plat size at BT645940, rec'd sniper fire from wood line at BS646941. 1244H, 3 KIA confirmed by C Btry.
48	1307	198th, 1/52, 120600-142400H July, AO ext: E-W grid line 77 on south 83 on north, N-S grid line 40 on west. Passed to SGT Billings Quang Ngai, time 1347H. 1505H, approved by LT Phuoc. That portion of the ext within the SF AO is approved by CPT Henderson. Advises that Tra Bong Camp will also have an opn approx 1k north of the 83 grid line during this same period. Passed to 198th that AO is approved, msg sent to III MAF.
49	1325	196th, TOC, LRRP Lucky Strike inserted at 1320H, AT993152.
50	1415	1/1, B/1/1, ref journal entry #15, add 1 KHA. Result for incident: 2 KHA, 2 WHA (E).
51	1430	G-5, vic BT648028 at 0915H, bamboo cutting party from Son Tra consisting of 2x20 man PF platoons, 1x10 man CAP team, 1x30 man RD team, and 200 civilians was ambushed by an est VC plat. Res: 4 PF's WHA (E), 2 USMC WHA (E), and 3 civ WHA (E). Passed to 198th.
52	1440	39th Engr, B/39, vic 628835 at 1300H, VN turned in the following ammo: 18x81mm, 8x60mm, 4x40mm, 27xM26 HG's.
53	1445	196th, TOC, LRRP Lucky Strike night location AT993153.
54	1446	196th, A/4/21, vic AT826214, found the following in a base camp: 3xVC ammo pouches, 3xAK-47 mags, 210xrds AK-47 ammo, 9xrds carbine ammo, 27xrds K-44 ammo, 1xmortar fuse 60mm, 9xelectric blasting caps, 3xVN flashlights, 1xmess kit (US type), 1xChicom oil can, 1xruck sack, 1xgreen uniform, 2xkhaki shirts, 20xblack shirts, 1xtan shirt, 1xlong sleeve shirt, 17xblack pants, 1xAK-47 rifle SN 11060945.
55	1452	196th, B/2/1, vic AT975359 at 1410H, found in a tunnel 4' wide x 4' high x 50' long: 8xrds 75mm, rds still in canisters, 25x empty canisters 75mm, Chicom made. Also found a clearing from where they could have been fired from.
56	1455	196th, A/3/21, vic BT054203 at 1410H, found a BT Chicom HG set up w/trip wire across an old trail, no warning devise, destroyed in place.
57	1520	1/1, F/8 Cav, at 1520H, inserting Inf at BT200460, Inf plat of F/8 Cav. Extracted at 1555H complete.
58	1528	11th, A/3/1, vic BS695555 at 1500H, hit BT Bouncing Betty anti-personnel mine, 5 meters in front of hedge row. Res: 1 US KHA.
59	1555	11th, A/3/1, vic BS700572 at 1530H, detained 1 VC evading, between 25-30 yrs old, evac to LZ Liz for questioning.

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60	1555	11th, B/1/20, vic BS838322 at 1445H, detained 1 boy 10-12 yrs old, believed son of VC, found in hootch in area where many VC are believed to be located, evac to PW Camp.
61	1500	1/1, C/1/1, vic BT180361 at 1155H, detained 1 VCS.
62	1535	1st CAG, CAP 137, vic BS645946 at 1045H, rec'd sniper fire approx 100 rds of AK-47 and K-44. Returned fire and called arty, 1 rd WP and 19 rds HE, 1 rd direct hit on 3 VC, another rd hit close to 2 VC. WP rd started fire causing 30 secondary explosions from mines and BT's. Fire started at BS646936 now burning at BS648934, due to mines, unable to check area. Res: 3 VC KIA, 2 VC KIA (P).
63	1625	11th, Aero Scouts, vic BS346681 at 1600H, detained 2 VCS evading, both MAM, evac to Minh Long.
64	1625	198th, 5/46, D/5/46 move to Polar Bear II. 1st PZ 0816H, last LZ 1100H. B/5/46 move to O'Connor. 1st PZ 0745H, last LZ 0832H. Complete. A/5/46 move to West. 1st PZ 0850H, last LZ 1010H. Complete. C/5/46, 1st PZ 1000H, last LZ 1140H. Complete. E/5/46, 1st PZ 1127H, last LZ 1150H. Complete. HQ complete at 1430H.
65	1700	TFC, 4/21 move. 1st lift, 1350H to vic AT856230. Last LZ 1645H.
66	1730	Ba To, USA SF A-1, BS523354 at 1700H, Opn P-126, made chance contact with 1 VC vic BS523354, distance of 300 meters w/neg casualties on either side.
67	1759	196th, F/8 Cav, AT982318 at 1728H, obs 1 MAM evading, dressed in black PJ's w/ pack, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
68	1822	11th, C/3/1, lift to BS363391. 1st PZ 1805H, last LZ 1810H, LZ cold. Complete.
69	1830	196th, LRRP Camel, AT974400 at 1725H, found 50m from present location: 150xrds 7.62mm. Will be destroyed.
70	1900	196th, TOC, HQ& Rcn 4/3, PZ West 146H, LZ O'Connor complete at 1830H. B/3/82 Baldy PZ 1330H, Center LZ complete at 1850H.
71	1915	196th, C/3/21, BT017256 at 1745, obs 3 VN in the open, dressed in black PJ's, 2300 meters E of their location. Called arty, res: 1 VC KIA.
72	1100	(delayed entry) 11th, TOC, request AO for LRRP Viceroy. BS3055, 3355, 3352, 3052 from 120700H to 161800H July. Passed to Quang Ngai for approval. Approved at 1700H. Also cancelled previous AO for 12-16 July. Msg sent to III MAF.
73	2015	11th, D/3/1, BS782562 at 1945H, rec'd 4-5 rds 60mm mortar, res: 1 WHA (M). Called in arty, mortars stopped.
74	1905	(delayed entry) 11th, AO, 100% AO coverage. BS754257: AW position. BS663517: 2 trenches. BS662519: 1 "C" shaped trench. BS631564: one 15m trench. BS888276-BS853240: hvy trail activity. BS866260-BS857205: Hvy trail activity. BS886291-BS817224: Hvy trail activity. BS846294-BS817224: hvy trail activity. BS712264-BS668267: moderate trail activity.
75	1810	1st CAG, CAP 117, BT305155 at 0900H, while sweeping S, obs 10 VCS. Picked them up and cont'd S. Spotted 3 NVA (2 officers and 1 guard). Hasty ambush set up as NVA approached. Eng'd w/SA, res: 3 NVA KIA. VCS were taken to Tam Ky. 1 NVA officer was determined to be Nguen Ngee Thanh by Prov S-2. He was CO of 1-6 Recon Sapper Co. Documents revealed no valuable info except Tam Ky Bridge is target soon. Documents state Hanoi's policy is to attack more US units and kill more Americans.
76	1815	1st CAG, Cap 113, BT298151 at 1100H, sweeping S when obs 2 NVA w/packs moving W. Eng'd with SA. Checked area and found blood trails and drag marks, found papers, flags, and personal letters. Con't to sweep S. Toward river found 12 VCS in hut w/food. Destroyed food and continued sweep.
77	1815	198th, 1/52, BS736795 at 1704H, gunships rec'd arty fire from 10-15 pers. Gunships eng'd. Res: 9 VC KIA.
78	1911	196th, C/4/31, AT833194 at 1905H, started receiving mortar fire and SA fire. Are scrambling gunships now. Rec'd 82mm from AT828198, 2 WHA. 1945H, no mortar rds in last 10 minutes. Gunships on station. Count of rds still unk. 1930H, Firebirds expended. At 1945H, Firebirds departed, contact broken. 2 WHA (M). Rec'd total of 15 rds.
79	1928	11th, C/3/1, 373392 at 1905H, moved into village, found 2xAK-47's, 2xpacks, 1 set of suspenders, 1 pistol belt, 2 canteens. Captured 2 NVA suspects wearing green uniforms. Taken to Bronco for interrogation. Interrogation Report: Names: Nguyen Van Ty, Pham Hy. Ty is Bn messenger, Pham Hy's rank unk. Ty is from 2d Co, 3d Bn, aka 9th Bn, 3d NVA Div. Hy is from 3d Co, 3d Bn, 22d Regt, 3d NVA Div. Each Co of 3d Bn has 85-100 members. Their mission is to engage US forces with no specific dates furnished. Subject's infiltration group consisted of 500 indiv comprising 4 regular companies and one HHC. There is a centralized Bn base camp NW of point of capture in northern Quang Ngai Province. Indiv's joined their present units 10 days ago, and 50% of the personnel were issued wpns at the base camp. One captured AK-47 had not been fired and does not appear to have been carried ten days. Subjects were a part of a 14 man group moving to Wikden and were instructed to stay there for an extended period of time if need be. Infiltration group departed NVN in Dec 67, proceeded through Laos, and arrived in W Quang Ngai (P) in May 68. Only 8 of the original group were assigned to the 3d Bn. Source has no knowledge of where others were assigned.
80	1930	198th, request for AO ext, from our current boundaries area to be bounded by N-S grid lines 49 and 53 and of the S by the river. Time: 120500H to 122400H. Reason: about 100 males formed at base of hill just inside the AO boundary. We'd like to send a small force in early to check these people. If they gather again, move would be a CA. Sent to Quang Ngai. PFC Seals approved at 2015H.

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2	112225	(delayed entry) FSE, C/1/46, vic BT178178 at 2200H, spotted 35-40 VC in the open and fired 6 rds of firecracker. Troops checking area.
3	0215	198th, D/1/6, vic BT434056 at 0135H, reported a spear being thrown into their NDP with neg results.
4	111700	(delayed entry) 198th, request that Aero Scouts fly over the following areas as they fly out in the morning and fly home at night making a VR. Should come up on 1/52 command freq, Badger M-603. Area to cover is BS7179, 7279, 7379, 7479, 7178, 7278, 7378, 7478, 7177, 7377, 7277, 7477. Period of time until 122400H.
5	112050	(delayed entry) G-3, AO ext request for reconnaissance mission: from Wheeler/Wallowa, Pocahontas Forest boundary at AT928150, south along Song Tranh to 01 EN line then E along 08 NS grid line to Wheeler/Wallowa boundary at BT0814. Exclude area of CFZ at Hau Duc. From ASAP to 122400H. Passed to SF, CPT Henderson at 2100H. Passed to Tam Ky at 2210H, SP4 Tossey. Approved 112255H Tam Ky, SP4 Tossey. Sent msg to III MAF, I DASC. 120135H, TOC, the AO ext for recon mission S of Wheeler/Wallowa and Pocahontas Forest with all the CFZ's, CCN's, PF Opns and LRRP Luck Strike passed to 198th, 1/1 Cav, and 196th, 196th will pass to TF Cooksey.
6	0754	11th, TOC, at 112215H, LRRP Chesterfield rec'd 5-6 rds mortar fire from the north and 3-4 rds from the south.
7	0755	11th, TOC, at 0725H, LRRP Parliament was inserted at BS377434.
8	0810	196th, CC/4/3, vic AT820261 at 0745H, rec'd light semi AW fire, neg hits, 250' altitude.
9	0810	198th, A/1/6, vic BS337148 & BS346147 at 0715H, spotted 1 VC Co and plat, were in the open carrying wpns and web gear, arty called, requested gunships, cancelled by CC. Air strike requested also cancelled, CC fired on VC and rec'd hvy ground fire.
10	0810	198th, gunship, vic BT555815 at 0755H, gunship spotted 100 people, when people spotted chopper they moved SE.
11	112110	TF Cooksey, MAJ Dickenson: 1. TFC would like 1/1 to pull a snatch mission either in the north portion of the proposed AO or the western portion of the proposed AO. Desire this either on 12 or 13 July. 2. Want F/8 Cav to screen on adjacent Mohawk on 12 July, on 4/31 command push, contact 4/31, 33 station for find location and control. Control adjacent Mohawk Contar Mas, AT8118. 3. Passed to 1/1 Cav.
12	0730	TF Cooksey, A&C/4/3, CA to AT814257. A/4/3 1st lift 0712H, LZ 0735H, LZ cold. A/4/3 2d lift 0715H, LZ 0749H, LZ cold. C/4/3 3rd lift, LZ 0755H, LZ cold. C/4/3 4th lift, LZ 0818H. LZ cold. Complete at 0818H.
13	0830	11th, D/3/1, vic BS771552 at 0700H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA, no ID.
14	0845	198th, B/1/46, vic BS171101 at 0830H, rec'd 6-8 rds sniper fire from above coord, moved 75 meters west and rec'd 4 more, checking area now.
15	0903	11th, C/1/20, vic BS892311 at 0836H, detained 1 VCS in a hut, had false ID card, PF's said they never saw this man before, evac to Bronco.
16	0910	196th, 71st AVN, 4/3, vic AT878255 at 0833H, eng'd unk no of VC or NVA. Res: 3 VC/NVA KIA, dressed in green uniforms.
17	0914	198th, D/1/52, vic BT555815 at 0852H, found 125 old men, women, and children, are being held until IPW team can interrogate.
18	0927	196th, A/4/3, vic AT808255 at 0900H, eng'd 1 NVA in a fox hole. Res: 1 NVA KIA, green uniform, canteen, pistol belt, 60 lbs rice and 16 rds AK-47 ammo CIA.
19	0930	CPT Henderson, USA SF: Gia Vuc: P-157 (30 Amcal, 14 camp pers) Rcn, 111800H to 161900H, corners BS3536, 3541, 3936, 3941. P-153 closed 101800H. P-152 closed 101100H. Ba To: (40 CIDG, 2 SF) Rcn, 121830H to 161800H, BS5733, 6530, 6125, 5531. P-125 closed 101800H. Tra Bong: P-106 (33 pers), attack, 140530H to 181900H, corners BS2294, 3294, 2288, 3288. P-105 (51 pers) Attack, 130500H to 181800H, corners BS3884, 4390, 4384, 3890. Minh Long: P-103 closed 100830H. P-100 closed 101700H. Map posted.
20	0935	198th, FAC, vic BS555815 at 0725H, obs approx 100 people in deserted village, when FAC flew over, people broke up and moved to the SE and E.
21	0940	196th, C/4/3, vic AT810255 at 0910H, found 1xK-44, 6xrds of 82mm ammo, 11xB-40 rkts, 24xAK-47 mags, some misc packs, will evac wpn, destroy rest.
22	0950	198th, C/1/46, vic BT179178 at 0945H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
23	0950	198th, C/1/46, vic BT184178 at 0945H, obs 15 VC moving east, called in arty. 1030H, checked area w/neg results.
24	1020	198th, Ly Tin District is having a camporee this weekend at the high school. Approx 1200 Self Defense Personnel will attend. Most of these are female. Purpose is show of force. 198th does not know how many are armed. 1/9 Inf is ready to provide reaction force if required. Bn and Bde S-5's are attending. MP patrols in the area have been increased.
25	1025	11th, B/3/1, vic BS803418 at 1015H, detained 1 VCS evading, no ID card.
26	1028	198th, B/26 Engr, vic BT548016 at 1020H, NV filling sand bags dug up 1 French sub-machine gun.

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27	1111	11th, D/3/1, vic BS770552 at 1045H, rec'd sniper fire, neg casualties. 2 VCS detained.
28	1103	196th, C/4/3, vic AT834195 at 0945H, found a suspected mortar site that was used last night, also NVA papers, diary, packing from a Soviet 82mm rd, bandages w/fresh blood, 1x60mm rd. AT836196, found 3 bear traps and 800 lbs rice. Diary will be evac, rest destroyed.
29	1111	11th, D/3/1, vic BS770552 at 1035H, detained 1 VCS, MAM, says he is a tailor.
30	1115	196th, TOC, request that LZ Polar Bear III be changed to LZ Richards.
31	0950	(delayed entry) 1/1, TOC, vic BT092389 at 0849H, inserted F/8 Cav Infantry.
32	1108	11th, Rcn/1/20, vic BS472475 at 1030H, obs 67 VC moving in SE direction from BS472475 to BS470476 in groups of 2-4 carrying heavy packs, 4 heavy wpns. Calling arty at this time and TAC Air will insert Aero Scouts after that.
33	1200	1/1, A/1/1, vic BT097355 at 1157H, obs 1 MAM evading, eng'd, res: 1 VCS WIA/CIA.
34	1201	Tien Phuoc, Sgt Sheeler, SF/NCO, AO clearance ASAP to 212400H, AT9801, AT9817, BT0217, BT0201. Has been cleared.
35	1205	198th, C/1/46, vic BT216080 at 1145H, rec'd 5 rds sniper fire, did not return fire, continued missions.
36	1217	1/1, A/1/1, vic BT096355 at 1205H, detained 2 VCS, will evac to Hawk Hill.
37	1217	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT091349 at 1215H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
38	1223	11th, B/3/1, vic BS796414 at 1215H, detained 1 VCS, he had 3 ID cards, will evac to Liz.
39	1230	198th, B/1/46, vic BT223078 at 1215H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA. CIA: some food, 2xChicom HG's.
40	1253	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT095394 at 1255H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
41	1316	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT088391 at 1315H, eng'd 2 VC evading, res: 2 VC KIA.
42	1320	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT090391 at 1310H, detained 1 MAM.
43	1335	196th, TOC, at 1330H, LRRP Camel extracted from AT974400, a planned extraction.
44	1425	196th, CC/4/3, vic AT946234 at 1400H, obs 12 VC, called arty. Res: 1 VC KIA, other 11 evaded into tunnel complex, air strike will be diverted into area.
45	1430	198th, C/4/3, vic AT835204 at 1135H, found in a hootch, 800 lbs rice. Rice destroyed.
46	1500	1st Mar Div, AO, vic ZC0035 at 1300H, AO spotted a bridge being built at above coord. Passed to TF Cooksey, MAJ Dixon.
47	1555	11th, Aero Scouts, vic BS371399 at 111910H, while extracting Inf element, eng'd 2 VC. Res: 2 VC KIA.
48	1610	198th, D/1/6, vic BT436045 at 1550H, unit in contact, receiving SA fire, firing mortars on suspected position from Hill 76. 1615H, contact broken, neg casualties, checking area at this time.
49	1616	11th, R/1/20, vic BS472475 at 1545H, moved into area where air strike was called this morning, found 13 bags (1300 lbs) of rice, destroyed in place.
50	1615	1/1, C/1/1, vic BS233244 at 1546H, a tank hit mine. Res: 4 WHA (E), left crater 3' x 3' x 8'. Estimate 2x155mm rds. Damage: blew a hole in bottom of track, 2 road wheels, 2 Idler Aims off.
51	1635	1/1, F/8 Cav Inf, at 1530H Inf plat extracted from same location they were inserted.
52	1450	(delayed entry) TOC, G-5, BT075239 at 1300H, 35 refugees were taken to Tam Ky Refugee Center.
53	1636	198th, Avn, BT375165 at 1625H, acft went down S of Tam Ky w/mechanical failure. Gunship going to secure acft. A/1/6 moving from Hill 54 to secure chopper. Neg casualties.
54	1654	198th, AO, BS401071 at 1625H, spotted 2 VC in open w/wpns. Called arty, res: 2 VC KIA.
55	1723	11th, C/3/1, at 1710H, extraction of 1 plat complete at 1710H.
56	1730	198th, LTC Marlowe, info: 1/6 has made plans for a reaction force to cover Ly Tin Village during a camporee that is being held tonight. The District Chief and Advisor said that they did not want any American troops any closer than 500 meters. Making plans to cover village from farther away than 500 meters.
57	1805	C/39 Engr, BS705610 at 1715H, rec'd 2 rds sniper fire. NCD. Continued mission.
58	1825	A/3/21, BT053226 at 1730H, found 1x6' tunnel. Inside found 300 lbs rice, 2 pr black PJ's, 1 pr sandals, 1 VC poncho, 1 US poncho, 1 US poncho liner, 1 US camouflage cover, 2 VC shovels, 20 Dong notes, 6 French coins, 2 receipts for ear rings and gold ring, medicine, 2 ropes, 1 gold ring. Dong notes will be evac, rest destroyed.
59	1830	11th, ref journal entry #49: delete entry.
60	1840	11th, VR report, neg significant sightings. 100% coverage.
61	0700	(delayed entry) 198th, want to extend time on the Pink Village, est until 142300H. Ext due to run out at 122400H. Passed to PFC Lopez, Quang Ngai. AO ext approved by LT Khoan. Approved by CG.

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62	1400	(delayed entry) Tam Ky, LT Hirshel, PRU (Icewater) AO ext request, from 121700H to 130700H. Grids: BT2022, 2019, 2319, 2322. Mission: for infrastructure control station "Dayton Farmer". Request acknowledgement prior to 121700H. Passed to 198th. Approved by 198th, CPT Reasor. Approved by CG.
63	1630	1/1 Cav, TOC, AO ext request. Time: 130001H to 132400H. Location: from BT120300 S to 12 grid line to 120270, E along 27 grid line to BT165270. Passed to LT Salazar, 196th Bde. Approved and passed to 1/1, SGT Ayres.
64	1500	(delayed entry) G-5, 4 refugees were moved by A/3/21 from BT052207 to Tam Ky. The refugees were voluntary.
65	1708	196th, CC/3/21, BT054235 at 1630H, obs 5 VC w/web gear evading, eng'd, res: 5 VC KIA.
66	1755	198th, 1/52, BS513935 at 1740H, CAP 136 in contact w/est VC sqd. 1 PF Dusted off.
67	1756	196th, B/3/21, BT028204 at 1725H, obs 3 NVA evading 125 meters E of their location. Dressed in green uniforms w/rucksacks. 1 had AK-47. Eng'd w/SA fire, res: 1 NVA KIA, 1xAK-47 CIA. Found 4 lbs rice, books inside pack. Rice destroyed.
68	1800	196th, C/3/21, BT073288 at 1700H, obs 3 VC in front of hut 600m NE of their loc. Called arty, res: 1 VC KIA.
69	1807	11th, R/1/20, BS481448 at 1740H, the recon plat had moved to their pick-up point. Rec'd sniper fire. Res: 1 WHA (E). Man was hit in right arm just above elbow.
70	1810	11th, CC/3/21, BS790488 at 1745H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA. At 1750H, BS786482, detained 1 VCS evading. At 1755H, BS783468, detained 1 VCS evading.
71	1955	11th, C/3/1, BS375393 at 1715H, 1 plat of C/3/1 was extracted to C/3/1 base area at Gia Vuc SF Camp, closing at 1715H.
72	1835	11th, R/1/20, BS480457 at 1700H, checked bomb area and found 15 packs of corn (approx 1500 lbs), 1 notebook w/3 pages of writing, 1 medicine pack, med equip, papers and docs. One of the papers had hammer and sickle. Also a Co shot record for D-245. Corn destroyed, remainder evac.
73	1940	196th, GEN Cooksey, BT086403 at 1930H, GEN Cooksey was shot at in his chopper. NCD.
74	1942	11th, A/3/1, BS788530 at 1930H, rec'd sniper fire, res: 1 WHA (E). Dustoff complete at 1940H. Ret'd fire w/neg results.
75	1950	198th, B/1/52, BS702975 at 1940H, called Dustoff for 1 US who rec'd frag wounds while dropping mortar rd down tube. 1 NBW (E). Dropped 1 rd down the tube and it failed to go off. By accident he tried to drop another one in and the first rd went off.
76	1955	196th, TOC, request for AO for LRRP Raleigh: AT9939, BT0142, AT9740, AT9943. Principal area: AT990413.
77	2000	Americal, IPW, ref NVA PW Nguyen Van Ty (Bn messenger). Member of 3d Bn, 18th Regt, Div unk. Individual had the code name for the 18th Regt, so IPW feels he is telling the truth. The Regt is in Quang Ngai (P) and PW is certain that the new AK-47's were issued to them in Quang Ngai (P). He doesn't know the loc of the issue point. (Only a portion of the group rec'd wpsn.)
78	2120	III MAF, 1st Tk Bn, at 1815H, Phang Bac, an RD leader, have info to 1st Tk Bn. 2 VC/NVA Bn's picked up 400 laborers last night from Hoa Tho, Hoa Thinh, and Hoa Chav. They will attack DaNang tonight thru 17 July. Agent is the same man who notified 1st Tk Bn of last rocket attack 7 hrs before it took place. III MAF says the rating is very possibly true.
79	2200	198th, B/5/46, BT223084 at 1950H, 1 US accidentally shot himself in foot. While going on patrol tripped over log, wpn accidentally fired. WHA (E). Dustoff complete at 2010H.
80	2135	196th, C/2/1, BT080380 at 1930H, rec'd 50 rds SA and AW fire. Also rec'd 3xM-79 rds. Neg casualties. Fired arty, checked area w/neg results.
81	2220	1st CAG, CAP 136, BS528948 at 1737H, while patrol was checking ID cards, VC opened fire on them, res: 1 PF and 1 VN boy WHA. Rec'd hvy volley of fire from M-2 carbine and AK-47. Ret'd fire, contact broken. Medevac completed at 1750H. Called arty. Checked area and found 1 VC KIA. 1 female detained, confirmed VC.
82	2233	1st CAG, CAP 136, BS524937 at 1850H, patrol sweeping village of Thanh Tra captured 6 VCS. Rec'd light sniper fire from southern end of village. Ret'd fire w/neg results. VCS will be turned over to Binh Son tomorrow.
83	2300	TF Cooksey, A/4/21, AT824204 at 0745H, heard movement, rec's M-79 fire, res: 1 WHA (M).
84	2340	11th, B/3/1, BS776458 at 2255H, sqd element eng'd 2 VC, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA. Will hold until morning. Medics are attending. Will evac to Liz 13 July. Approx 25 yrs old. Captured along access road to LZ Liz.
85	2400	Opns Summary: Americal units cont'd combat opns in zone w/light contact reported. In Opn Pocahontas Forest, A&C/4/3 Inf CA to vic AT8125 at 0818H. Remaining elements of the Division cont'd combat sweeps and security opns in zone. Americal Division Totals: 7 WHA (E), 1 WHA (M), 19 VC KIA, 5 NVA KIA, 3 IWC.
86	2400	Journal Closed.

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2	0005	198th, TOC, BT549016 at 0001H, rec'd 3 rds 60mm mortar, res: 3 WHA (E). At 0045H, rec'd 3xM26 HG's.
3	0100	11th, TOC, BS812383 at 0058H, suspect 2 incoming mortar rds, unk type. Fired arty at BS775352 and BS805384. Rds landed outside perimeter, NCD. Bronco on Yellow alert. Back to Green at 0155H.
4	0200	11th, follow up, Duc Pho, arty fired at suspect grids, BS806383, BS805384, BS804387 from CM Radar, res: 5 civ WHA. Mortar burst impacted in vic of mortar flashes. Think people are innocent civilians. 1 APC's picked up wounded and took them to be checked by doctor. There were 14 walking wounded and 2 seriously wounded. Total of 11 evac to Bronco hospital. The 2 seriously wounded, one had a severe leg injury, the other had an abdominal injury. He will probably be evac to Chu Lai this morning.
5	122120	(delayed entry) 196th, TOC, F/8 Cav, requested for 1/26 Marines, VR mission at coord: ZC190305 to ZC117231. Friendly position: ZC211322, call sign Blackbud, freq: 39.10. Time is for 140800H for 2 hrs, passed to 1/1 Cav.
6	0645	198th, D/1/52, vic BS446784 at 0627H, CA of D/1/52. PZ 0627H-0632H, 1st LZ cold. PZ 0641H-0651H, 2nd LZ cold. PZ 0701H-0708H, 3rd LZ cold. PZ 0710H-0720H, 4th LZ cold. Complete.
7	0720	Quang Ngai, TOC, Line C, I Recon. Line A. TCVUOS to Line B. ZRNBJT, Line D. UTRX, Line G. VOQU, Line I. YOBJ, Line K. IBFY. Opn by 4th Recon from 120400H to 140400H at BS5376, 5976, 5368, 5966.
8	0735	TF Cooksey, F/8 Cav, at 0640H-0730H, F/8 conducted VR on yesterday's strike area. First two targets had good coverage, all bombs in target area. Third target there were many duds, no bunkers or personnel in the area. Did not insert Inf team, there was nothing on the ground to check.
9	0815	CPT Henderson, USASF, Ha Thanh, P-156 (43 pers) raid, 120600H to 121700H. P-154 closed 111700H. Minh Long, P-107 (49 pers) Recon, 150430H to 191930H, corners BS5455, 5842, 5850, . P-106 (41 pers) Recon, 130500H to 171930H, corners BS5161, 5163, 5553, 5561. P-102 closed 111700H.
10	0840	198th, C/1/52, vic BT446784, C-26 CA complete, 1st PZ 0641H, last LZ 0720H.
11	121105	(delayed entry) Quang Ngai, 5th ARVN, vic BS727661 and BS748676, Opn OQ 46G Sector Recon, 6 VC KIA, 2 IWC. 112400H, 7 VC KIA, 3 IWC, 4 spider holes, 300 meters of trench destroyed.
12	0900	198th, A/1/52, 1 plat moved from Gator to Buff. PZ 0847H, LZ 0855H, complete. C/1/14 moved from Gator to BS515803, PZ 0621H, LZ 0812H.
13	0930	196th, TOC, request a tracked dog team for 3 days, passed to LT Wheeler, they will depart for LZ Baldy approx 45 min. Passed to 196th that mission will be performed.
14	0940	198th, FAC, vic BT353089 at 0832H, obs 1 anti-air position with L-shaped trench, 2 circular areas and 4' x 6' rectangular areas located 10 meters away from gun position.
15	0958	Ha Thanh, USASF A-1, vic BS354754 at 0855H, Opn C-153 was ambushed near stream bank vic above coord by local force type enemy. Casualties friendly: neg, enemy: 2 KIA and 1 US M-1 carbine CIA.
16	122025	(delayed entry) 173rd Abn Bde, request AO ext from BS5314 N along 53 N-S grid line to BS5325 then E along 25 grid line to BS6825, from 131200H to 201200H, sent to 11th Bde 2220H, sent to Ba To, ext granted. Request S of 25 E-W grid line 676250-645250. Approved by 11th Bde 2220H, passed to 173rd S-3 at 0910H.
17	0747	(delayed entry) 198th, C/1/14 (2 tubes), 1st PZ 0621H, LZ 0746H, 2d LZ 0812H. Complete.
18	1015	TF Cooksey, MAJ Dixon, F/8 Cav performed a snatch mission for TF Cooksey this morning, but mission not in right area. Request that another snatch be made in BT9412-0010 box. Request that F/8 Cav come up on their intel when in area. Passed to 1/1.
19	1030	11th, B/3/1, vic BS785474 at 1025H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
20	1050	196th, LRRP Tareyton, vic AT915176 at 1023H, obs 3 NVA dressed in khakis w/packs and wpns moving east. NVA moved out of sight before arty could be adjusted.
21	1055	198th, CAP 135, vic BS720962 at 1033H, receiving sniper fire from approx 5 VC, calling 4.2 mortar.
22	1055	11th, D/1/20, vic BS919253 at 1030H, found 11x55 gal drums of unpolished rice, found in 2 hootches, will bag and evac to Bronco, ext 5,000 lbs.
23	1115	S-2, 39th Engr, vic BS628836 at 0830H, VN turned in following ammo: 9x40mm rds, 1x4.2" rd, 5x81mm rds, 7x60mm rds, all destroyed.
24	0400	(delayed entry) 11th, TOC, at 121700H, Parliament spotted approx 12 NVA moving into wood line, believed to be a base camp. Followed them to where they went into wood line, saw a guard, then pulled back. They will be extracted at 1000H 13 July, before being extracted they are to try and capture the guard.
25	1116	1/1, C/1/1, vic BT123305 at 1115H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA.
26	1125	198th, B/1/46, vic BT231089 at 1101H, element located 1 VC, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
27	1145	11th, LRRP Viceroy, inserted at 0855H.
28	1200	198th, C/1/46, vic BT205166 at 1147H, receiving sniper fire, returning fire, calling arty.

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29	1210	11th, B/3/1, vic BS773475 at 1130H, detained 4 VCS, evac to LZ Liz.
30	1210	11th, B/3/1, at 1130H vic BS785477, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
31	1211	11th, LRRP Viceroy, at BS314523 at 1120H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA. LRRP extracted at 1150H from BS314523.
32	1215	196th, C/4/3, vic AT816245 at 1145H, found inside camouflaged hut 1xK-44, SN 10A1712, 1 ton of rice, 600 lbs of corn, all will be evac.
33	1309	11th, LRRP Chesterfield, vic BS4365390 at 1100H, spotted 3 VC with wpns, 1xM-1 carbine, 1 dressed in green shorts, 1 had green shirt, the other 2 had black shirts. Were moving south, spotted what appeared to be enemy base camp vic BS435398.
34	1320	Tien Phuoc, A-1 SOG (Special Operations Group) will be in the following area for the next 5 days, keep all troops out of these areas: AS9398, AS9998, AT9304, AT9904, BT0102, BT0702, BS0916, BS0798, BS1398, BT0704, BT1304.
35	1325	198th, D/1/52, vic BT450780 at 1235H, Dustoff for man who fell and broke his leg, complete 1320H.
36	1351	196th, F/8 Cav, vic AT967274 at 1015H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
37	1405	196th, F-Trp, vic BT140443 at 1359H, bunker line on southern side of Baldy rec'd 1 rd SA fire, F-Trp sending out tracks to check area.
38	1500	198th, CPT Kenney, ref journal entry #2, HG's were thrown by a soldier on post.
39	1510	Tam Ky, PFC Rydell, ARVN's have some personnel building an OP at BT289265, passed to 1/1 Cav at 1510H.
40	1520	1st Mar Div, B/1/26, vic AT792302 at 1130H, eng'd 2 VC on trail, res: 1 VC KIA, 2 IWC CIA, 1 POW.
41	1546	198th, Swift Boats, vic BS735795 at 1530H, rec'd fire from approx 5 wpns, gunships scrambled.
42	1550	1/1, ref journal entry #8, change many duds to read many bomb craters. F/8 Cav did not observe any dud bombs.
43	1618	11th, LRRP Parliament, vic BS372432 at 1420H, obs 3 VC w/wpns moving west, FAC checking area.
44	1620	1st CAG, CAP 12, vic BT468081 at 1555H, rec'd info from Ly Tin of units 409th Sapper, approx 100 personnel (sappers) along Hwy 1 preparing to hit units, 25% alert tonight.
45	1635	196th, LRRP Raleigh, inserted vic AT999425 at 1630H.
46	1650	196th, LRRP Tareyton, vic AT924184 at 1645H was extracted, normal extraction.
47	1410	(delayed entry) USARV, MAJ Miller, at 0800H USARV rec'd msg from DA subject. Congressional request for info (DA requests) upon which to base reply by DA to letter from US clergyman who desires info to refute article in a national religious magazine about military destruction of village of Thanh Hoa at BT3312 in Quang Tin Province on or about 9-13 Apr 68. Narrative of the combat action in and around the village and the circumstances that caused air and arty to be used against village are specifically required. Request reply ASAP. (Follow up) at 1410H MAJ Miller, USARV G-3 Opns, called back. Gave him following info. 198th Bde reports that since the Bde has been operating in this area, no villages have existed in the area in question (BT3312). There are overgrown ruins in the area. The area has been obs by aerial observation and people on the ground. It was checked on 4 Mar as being a possible rocket launching site. H&I was fired in the area, but no air strikes were flown during period 9-13 Apr.
48	1645	TF Cooksey, MAJ Dixon, req F/8 Cav for a snatch mission, 14 Jul 68, vic AT9413, 9808, 9408, 9813. Passed to 1/1 Cav. Time: as soon as possible after Marine request. Friendly loc: LRRP Lucky Strike. Enemy loc: in valley of snatch mission coord. Call sign: Saber 2. Freq: 44.85. Marine request has priority.
49	1715	11th, LRRP Chesterfield, BS438399 at 1700H, obs 73 NVA moving N on trail. Had packs and wpns, khaki uniforms. Receiving probing fire.
50	1730	1/1, TOC, Mission CD-12-1, Grid 9421. 7 acft on station, 7 on standby. Time on station and on standby: 6 hrs 10 min.
51	1730	1/1, TOC, Mission CD-13-1, Grid 1718. 5 acft on station, 4 on standby. Time on station and on standby: 6 hrs 10 min (station), 5 hrs (standby). Neg results.
52	1730	1/1, TOC, Mission CD-13-2, Grid 6521, 8 acft on station, 4 on standby. Time on station: 9 hrs 50 min. Time on standby: 5 hrs. Detainees taken to Baldy.
53	1730	1/1, TOC, Mission CD-13-4, Grid 9711. 6 acft on station, 4 on standby. Time on station: 7 hrs. Time on standby: 4 hrs 40 min.
54	1630	(delayed entry) CLDC, alert condition will be Green at 1800H.
55	1638	(delayed entry) Tra Bong, USASF A-1, BS294859 at 1320H, Opn P-104 rec'd SA fire from approx 5 enemy vic of BS294859. Neg casualties on either side.
56	1830	1st CAG, CAP 127, BT456067 at 1755H, found a bunker and an old burned out house. Bunker looked as though it had had recent use. Bunker destroyed.
57	1920	Div Arty, AO, BT506007, spotted 2 VC apparently digging rocket firing position. Calling arty now.
58	1630	(delayed entry) 196th, F/8 Cav, AT925102 at 1410H, obs 12-20 NVA w/packs and wpns moving NW. Eng'd and rec'd AW fire. Destroyed 1 hut.

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59	1700	11th, TOC, BS365431 at 1650H, LRRP Parliament extracted at 1650H. Scheduled.
60	1720	196th, A/3/21, BT074296 at 1645H, obs 5 VC. One appeared to have wpn. Called arty. Res: 1 VC KIA.
61	1720	196th, R/2/1, BT014360 at 1855H, obs 3 VC in open wearing black PJ's. 1 with wpn. Called arty, res: 1 VC KIA.
62	1800	11th, LRRP Parliament, debriefing: at 121230H, obs 2 NVA walking SE on trail, BS380433. 5 minutes later a female walked down trail. 121550H: 1 NVA w/AK-47 appeared to be guarding something near stream. 121750H: obs 50 VC/NVA moving N in valley w/wpns and packs. 121925H: obs 2-3 s 375441. 1 patrol has 20 men, moving N. Another 7 man patrol moving N. 8 man patrol moving N. Suspect base of Hill 400 VC base camp. 131500H: obs 2 VC standing in area 372433. Followed trail to 360433. Obs 40 huts but neg personnel. Later obs 3 VC w/wpns.
63	1830	11th, AO, 0745H-0945H. 100% coverage. At BS797437 sighted 1 tunnel entrance inside a well. BS749408: 12 fox holes bordering on E and W sides of a well-used trail. BS743410: 4 fox holes bordering N and S sides of a well-used trail. BS755410: tunnel entrance. BS655565: bunker entrance, partially concealed in a hedgerow. BS708232: a column of smoke rising through dense canopy.
64	1830	196th, R/3/21, BT034234 at 1800H, obs 1 VC evading. Dressed in blk PJ's w/pack. Eng'd with SA, res: 1 VC KIA. In pack found 2 pr blk PJ's, 1 US poncho, no ID card or docs.
65	1900	11th, LRRP Chesterfield, BS436950, extracted at 1852H.
66	1905	Div Arty, S-2, BT5003, at 1900H, Village Chief of Long Phu 2 said many VC are in his village at this time. 3 have wpns and many in hills have wpns.
67	1923	Minh Long, Opn P-104, ambushed approx a sqd of enemy, vic BS559567, causing 3 enemy KIA, 1 enemy WIA, 1 US carbine CIA.
68	1935	198th, R/1/6, BT361121 at 1820H, Recon eng'd 6-10 VC, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 carbine CIA.
69	1937	198th, D/1/6, BT442050 at 1745H, rec'd 15-20 rds SA from 200 meters NW. Called arty and mortars.
70	2000	CLDC, reports that the salvage boat in the bay is receiving fire from 2 sampans. Sending Swift Boats out. 2005H, false report. Shooting was done by our boats.
71	2038	196th, D/2/1, BT017389 at 1915H, rec'd 25 rds SA fire. Ret'd fire with M-16 and M-79 w/neg results.
72	1936	(delayed entry) 198th, BT397107 at 1820H, sighted 30-40 VC w/wpns. Request gunships and arty. At 1925H, A-26, BT394109, spotted 35-40 VC w/wpns at BT393100. Arty called in. Before they could get clearance enemy broke into small groups, moved around A Co's location. Called gunships. Worked over area until dark. Guns and flare ship will return.
73	2102	198th, Binh Son, BS602929, rec'd SA fire. 198th is firing illum at this time. The position is getting SA fire, ambush site outside Binh Son.
74	2114	198th, PF's 1/6 area, BT454054 at 2100H, PF's had contact with 10 VC. Kilo 7 says VC were trying to get into village at above coord to collect rice. 198th fired illum. Contact broken at 2110H. Res: 1 VC KIA.
75	2105	196th, LRRP Melody Times, AT998463 at 2015H, Spooky on station. Called arty and illum. Much movement.
76	2110	11th, 1/20, BS891211 at 2040H, 2 Main Force Bn's located BS891211. 1 Main Force Bn loc BS881227. 2 Main Force Plat loc BS894244. Mission: to hit So Hyun Bridge 94 and 95 at 0200H. Intel Source: 52 MI, Mr. Duncan. MID rec'd report from former MF person (Sa Huynh area). 1/20 rec'd same report from ARVN LT. Rating: F-6.
77	2130	198th, PF ambush, BS594938 at 2120H, a PF ambush made contact with 2 VC, res: 1 PF WHA.
78	2130	11th, LRRP Chesterfield, obs 73 NVA and shortly thereafter obs 3 VC moving N along trail, BS436398. At BS436395, obs 3 VC w/wpns and packs moving S. 1 had M-1, the rest had indiv wpns. Believe base camp at BS43653920. A lot of activity in area. Heard voices all day. At 1645H, while moving SW, rec'd fire from E. Request extraction.
79	2140	198th, CAP 132, BT614016 at 2138H, report they are in contact. Called 1st CAG and they said they didn't know what was going on. They said they would monitor 132 radio freq. 198th further reported CAP 132 rec'd some SA fire in their compound. NCD. Illum was fired. No further firing as of 2145H.
80	2140	Ref journal entries #66, 57, 72, 73, 74, 76, 79. A summary of above entries was passed to SGT Barnard (CLDC) with the comment that due to the activity in area, caution the troops in bunkers and towers to be extra alert.
81	2200	196th, MAJ Calhoun, called and requested that the PZ time for the Tien Phuoc CIDG switch be 0930H, not 1000H. Passed to SF Liaison who passed to Tien Phuoc and is OK. Passed to MAJ Calhoun.
82	2110	Quang Ngai, L1 Advanced Log Command. Time of departure 0900H. From Quang Ngai to Tam Ky. ETA: 1300H. Security: armored car and 1 Co, 20 vehicles. Cargo: Food and ammo.
83	2200	CAP 132, 613008 at 2200H, PF patrol walked into 15 VC. VC fired 20 rds SA fire and threw 2 HG's. PF ret'd fire and called illum. Reaction force checked area and found 1xM-14 mag, 1xChicom HG. NCD.
84	2350	11th, B/3/1, BS772427 at 2340H, detained 2 VCS evading. Approx 25 yrs old with no ID cards. Unit will evac in AM to LZ Liz.

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2	132345	(delayed entry) 198th, 1/6, request tracker dog team for tomorrow. They have some blood trails. Request teams for 2 days, called Combat Center and Tracker Dog Team. 1/6 will have chopper at the LRRP pad 140730H. Contact SGT Prince 198th TOC. SP Hogges said Bde requested 2 teams, called dog teams but only 2 dogs, 1 team at Baldy, the other with 1/6 Inf, but were prepared to send 1 team without dog. Bde said to disregard on sending team without dog.
3	0800	ITOC, SGT Moore, there will be an 80 vehicle ARVN convoy from DaNang to Quang Ngai 15 July and return on 16 July. Request arty FO for both days. Call sign Cyclone Bobcat, freq: 33.1. Passed to LTC Looper, FSE at 0805H. Passed to 196th, LT Vosburg at 0810H. Passed to 198th, LT Blanco at 0812H. Bde's were requested to provide MP vehicles as escort, 196th from North Boundary to Tam Ky, 198th from Tam Ky to Binh Son. Reverse on the return trip on 16 July.
4	0820	39th Engr, C/39, vic BS716598 at 0705H, rec'd approx 8 rds sniper fire, neg casualties, returned fire and continued mine sweep. Passed to Quang Ngai, SFC Billings.
5	0820	39th Engr, C/39, vic BS705611 at 131730H, VN turned in the following ammo: 3x105mm rds, 1x155mm rd, 200xrds 5.56mm, 50xrds 7.62mm. All destroyed.
6	0840	196th, B/2/1, vic AT967337 at 0712H, rec'd 150-200 rds auto wpns fire, called arty, there is a chopper checking the area now. Fire was from 500 meters south of their location. Res: 1 WHA (M).
7	0855	Minh Long, A-1, following is the coord of insertion (BS4251) of CIDG force.
8	0850	198th, D/1/52, vic BS543820 at 0843H, EM stepped on a pressure type mine, mine did not explode, mine destroyed.
9	0925	Minh Long, A-1, at 0910H, following is four corner coord of insertion: BS4251, 4252, 4351, 4352.
10	0925	CPT Henderson, USASF, Special Forces Opn: Ba To, P-132 (43 pers) Rcn, 131200H to 131900H. P-131 (16 pers) Ambush, 161830H to 201830H, corners BS5040, 5741, 5634, 5321. P-130 (42 pers) RIF, 141830H to 191800H, corners BS6042, 6437, 5833, 5635. P-126 closed 111800H.
11	131645	(delayed entry) TF Cooksey, TOC, request for LRRP AO, 140700h to 18180H, AT8816, 9116, 9113, 8813. Cancelled previous AO. Passed to Tam Ky, approved by SP4 Makuling at 1855H, passed to TFC.
12	132130	(delayed entry) 5th SF, Minh Long, CPT Mhaowski, called with info that at Minh Long there is a PW who would lead them to a POW Camp with 100 VN and 2 American PW's. Requested to use 6 guns and 6 slicks to screen camp. Mission passed to 11th Bde and to coordinate with Minh Long. Minh Long says 2 Americans are 1 CPT and 1 NCO. Minh Long is getting 2 guns and 4 slicks from its own resources. The individual is a former POW who was at the camp and will lead them to it. Exact coord unk since he cannot read a map.
13	0153	(delayed entry) Quang Ngai, TOC, Opn 1039A, time 140300H, 1 day, 1 plat, infiltrating in area of BS615634 to BS625601. Call sign: Rice Cutlass Alpha, freq: 67.05. Opn 1039B, time 140300H, 1 day, infiltrating in area of BS678612 to BS677602, call sign: Rice Cutlass Alpha, freq: 67.05.
14	1000	198th, S-3, plans for snatch mission by R/1/46 base at Hau Duc, 0706. There will be 3 sqd patrols, the 1st (presently loc at 044084) will generally go NE through the valley to BT0507 to 0310. The 2nd will travel due W and follow road then turn NW where they hope to obs enemy in area, then use F/8 Cav to make a snatch. The 3rd will go S along road to BT0502, the 2nd and 3rd patrols will be going out tonight and we hope to make the snatch early tomorrow. 1 sqd presently at BT044084, 2 sqds go out tonight.
15	1025	39th Engr, C/39, vic BS722577 at 0845H, culvert site was tampered with, sand bags were across road, leaflets were spread over road. Mine sweep team sent leaflets to MACV.
16	1032	11th, CIDG Minh Long, vic BS458519 at 1000H, inserted at BS458519 at 1000H, rec'd heavy sniper fire. Res: 1 US WHA (E), Aero Scouts dusted off the WHA (E).
17	1049	198th, B/4/21, vic AT804215 at 0930H, found what they believe to be an old base camp vic AT807194. Found 4 fox holes 4' x 4' vic AT806199, two hootches, 250 lbs peanuts in each hootch. 48 AK-47 parts still in Cosmoline, found some gas masks. CIA 48xAK-47's.
18	1105	198th, H/17 Cav, vic BS560817 at 1045H, rec'd 4 rds SA fire, 250 meters N of their location, returned fire, neg casualties.
19	1105	196th, D/4/31, vic AT813181 at 0833H, found 1 NVA gas mask, 1xK-44 rifle, 21xbicycles, 1xMG (type unk), some canisters believed to be tear gas, 15 of the bicycles are operational and will evac, the others destroyed.
20	1105	196th, D/4/41, vic AT813181 at 0930H, obs 8-10 NVA w/packs and wpns evading west, eng'd with SA fire, checking area at this time.
21	1125	196th, A/3/21, vic BT094279 at 0930H, obs 17 VC on edge of rice paddy bordering a wood line, several appeared to be carrying wpns. 14 wearing black PJ's, 3 wearing khaki's, called arty. Res: 4 VC KIA.
22	1100	196th, Sniffer Mission was flown from 0800H to 0930H, maximum readings were obtained at the lower slope of ridge, grid BT210264 to 208249, also at ZC210264 observers saw 8-12 VC with web gear, wearing black pants and green shirts, moving SW, they fled into tree line when eng'd by gunships, no results can be confirmed. Max readings at ZC213221 to ZC214218.
23	1130	198th, B/1/46, vic BT234078 at 1115H, eng'd unk no of VC. Res: 1 VC KIA and are following bloody trail.
24	1135	Minh Long, A-1, vic BS455515 at 0930H, P-110 rec'd sniper fire from unk no VC from above coord, res: 1 USASF WHA (E).

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25	1137	11th, R/3/1, vic BS316669 at 1110H, eng'd 2 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA, 1xK-44 CIA, are following blood trail now.
26	1141	198th, 176th Avn, vic BS741798 at 1115H, rec'd AW fire, ret'd fire and broke station, 198th has asked for air strike.
27	1145	196th, CIDG, at 0915H, CIDG back to Tien Phuoc, began movement at 0915H, complete at 1100H.
28	1145	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT190250 at 1145H, found 1xK-44, SN D01086.
29	1205	11th, CC/3/1, vic BS789467 at 1155H, detained 1 VC evading. 1215H, CC/3/1, vic BS757544 eng'd 3 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA, 2 WIA/CIA, 2 WIA were dusted off. 1225H, CC/3/1 detained 5 VCS evading, evac to Liz.
30	1307	11th, ref journal entry #16, Aero Scouts completed mission with CIDG, at 1200H. Minh Long, at 1145H, CIDG extracted and did not find anything except some abandoned hootches.
31	1311	196th, B/4/3, lift from AT825260 to O'Connor, PZ 1155H, LZ 1240H, complete.
32	1315	196th, TOC, CIDG swap with CIDG, 1st PZ 0915H, last lift 1100H.
33	1325	11th, B/3/1, vic BS791436 at 1315H, eng'd 1 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA, also obs 6 VC, 1w/wpn at same location.
34	1330	196th, MAJ Calhoun, 196th will release plat of 1/1 Cav to return to Hawk Hill by 141700H.
35	1330	(note: there are 2 entries for journal entry #35) 1st CAG, Marine Training Team, vic BT303188, 0100H-1230H, went on Opn w/CAP 113 to BT304157. At Obj now, found 1 woman w/pot of tea and a lot of cups, no other people in area, woman brought for interrogation. Found food stuffs in camouflaged area, all destroyed, destroyed 6 tunnels.
35	1100	(note: there are 2 entries for journal entry #35) Americal MI, Eval C3, at 1900H, 12 Jul 68, one VC Co designated "Flaming Co", moved from vic BT429058 to BT395073, Ky Thanh Mtns. Mission is to harass Ly Tin Dist HQ and US OP's in the area, also to mortar Chu Lai Base during period 15-17 Jul 68. CO: Loan. Strength: 100 men with 2 Chicom advisors. Wpns: 3 AA guns (cal unk), 6 light MG's, 3x60mm and 3x81mm mortars, 3xPRC-10 radios. Uniforms: gray & black. 2 VC suicide squads, numbering approx 40 men, are located vic BT485116 in tunnels, Ky Xuan (V). They divide into groups of 5 men each and go to Ky Ha (V), Ky Hoa (V). Mission is to assassinate GVN officials, set up infrastructure in these areas and to check bunker positions along the Chu Lai Base perimeter. The group has been checking Chu Lai Base perimeter for approx one week along the perimeter bordering Ky Ha (V) and Ky Xuan (V).
36	1322	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT189243 at 1915H (13 Jul), obs 1 MAM with a Chieu Hoi pass. Evac to hawk Hill. Unit took him to the field this morning. He led them to his wpn. He will also take unit to a rice cache. He has a friend who wants to Chieu Hoi. Will evac to Hawk Hill this afternoon for interrogation. Wpn was a K-44.
37	1322	199th, FAC, AT785184 at 1300H, 2 fighters while putting in air strike, rec'd est 1000 rds of 23mm or possibly 37mm. TFC trying to arrange another air strike. At 1415H, another air strike going in. All rds were tracers. Acft were flying at 6,500 ft. There were no air bursts at all.
38	1330	11th, Aero Scouts, BS337523 at 1245H, infantry element inserted. Mission: snatch a POW. Extracted at 1445H. Found 20-30 hootches, 500 lbs rice, 2 boxes of misc ammo, 1xB-40 rocket, 3 people in village: 1 baby, one woman, one old man. Old man taken to Minh Long for interrogation. Does not appear to have any tactical info. Rice & ammo destroyed.
39	1340	11th, B/3/1, BS769423 at 1340H, eng'd 2 VC, res: 1 VC KIA. No ID or docs. Wearing green uniform.
40	1345	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT197250 at 1330H, found 4500 lbs rice, will evac.
41	1406	196th, D/4/31, AT813181 at 0930H, ref journal entry #20. Checked area and found blood trail. Unit followed blood trail and found 1xAK-47. Also obs 4-5 NVA w/wpns, eng'd, res: 3xK-44's CIA. 2 were new and one was old. Total 4 IW CIA.
42	1425	198th, C/1/52, BS632856, VN children turned in 100 rds mixed ammo, 4xM-79 rds, 31x60mm rds, 2x1/2 lb blocks TNT, 11xarty fuzes, 8xM26 HG's, 12xblasting caps, 4xM16 mines, and 3xM14 mines.
43	1508	196th, ref journal entry #17. Change to read 60xAK-47's CIA.
44	1535	1st CAG, CAP 125, BT428119 at 1455H, 1 VN male, age 37, wounded by shrapnel, came to this location. Dusted off at 1530H. Stated that he was fishing when helo flew over and someone dropped HG on him. Passed to G-5.
45	1545	198th, CAP 137, BS642938 at 1120H, rec'd SA fire. Called arty. Checked area and found 3 VC KIA and blood trails. Were wearing black PJ's, no docs or equipment.
46	1550	1st CAG, CAP 137, BS642938 at 1130H, rec'd 2000 rds from possible AK-47, AK-50 used by 8-10 VC. Called arty. Res: 2 bodies complete and 1 extra leg, blood trails led up Hill 106.
47	1555	C/39 Engr, BS724571 at 1320H, 2 VN injured by BT made from smoke canister filled with low grade explosives. Placed inside culvert. Tied to sandbag. VN Medevac to Duc Pho.
48	1605	TF Cooksey, D/4/3, closed LZ O'Connor at 1500H. 3 Companies 4/5 ARVN have closed into Cheyenne area. Arty move still in progress. 1 Co of 4/5 has not started to move.
49	1645	1/1, FAC, F/8 Cav, BT190250 at 1630H, ref journal entry #36. Chieu Hoi led element to 1 additional wpn, a K-44.
50	1655	11th, R/1/20, BS463470 at 1638H, spotted a hut, couldn't reach it because of terrain. Spotted 1 VC. VC evaded toward hut. Eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA. CIA 1 transistor radio.
51	1720	CLDC, effective 1800H, alert condition Green.
52	1750	1st Mar Div, CA for 1st Mar Div will be at 150815H. Obj Seneca.

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2	0310	196th, D/5/46, vic AT940212 at 0204H, rec'd 15 rds mortar, 0325H report of 20 rds 60mm mortar, outside perimeter, neg casualties or damage. Rec'd 10 more rds at 0411H, landed outside perimeter. 0520H, 30 rds 60mm mortar total, neg casualties or damage, all landed outside perimeter, obs muzzle flashes, fired CM and arty at AT945202.
3	0100	(delayed entry) Quang Ngai, TOC, OPR-QT-74, 3-day operation commences 150500H, area bounded by BT2223, 2823, 2219, 2822. Saturation patrols. Unit committed: 4th Bn, 6th ARVN Regt.
4	2210	(delayed entry) Tam Ky, 1-day opn starting 150400H, TK 25/18, 2 plats, 2 RF Co's, BT2431, 3433, 3923, 3022. Passed to 198th, passed to 1/1 Cav, 1/1 approved.
5	0535	196th, B/3/21, vic BT040203 at 141747H, obs 15-20 VC in open, 1400m S of their location, green uniforms w/packs and soft caps, called arty. Res: 2 VC KIA, 1 secondary explosion.
6	0538	11th, B/3/1, vic BS745449 at 0410H, detained 3 VCS, approx 25 yrs old, 1 had no ID card.
7	0538	11th, B/3/1, vic BS758434 at 0515H, rec'd SA fire. Res: 1 US WHA (M). Returned fire with M-79, neg results.
8	0755	11th, B/3/1, vic BS814448 at 0720H, PZ 0720H, LZ 0725H, cold. PZ 0730H, LZ 0735H, cold. PZ 0739H, LZ 0744H, cold. CA complete.
9	0730	196th, C/3/21, vic BT023215 at 141920H, ref journal entry #59 14 July, should read 5 VC KIA. Obs 5 VC evading, eng'd with SA, res: 2 VC KIA. Follow up of report last night.
10	0805	196th, C/3/21, vic BT022216 at 0745H, obs 1 VCS, wearing black PJ's evading 75m W of their location, eng'd with SA fire. Res: 1 VC KIA, no documents or wpn.
11	0828	39th Engr, C/39, vic BS717596 at 0710H, rec'd sniper fire from BS7_7603, neg casualties, ret'd fire and cont'd mission, passed to Quang Ngai.
12	0830	11th, B/3/1, vic BS745449 at 0410H, detained 4 VCS.
13	0853	198th, 176th Avn, vic BT131202, acft rec'd 2 rds of sniper fire when he departed LZ East, neg hits, C/1/46 checking area at this time. FAC calling arty on suspected enemy location, BT177185.
14	0900	CPT Henderson, USASF. Ha Thanh, P-158 (30 pers) Rcn, 150500H to 181700H, corners BS3873, 3876, 4173, 4176. P-157, ambush, 150500H to 181700H, corners BS4270, 4273, 4570, 4573. Nong Son, P-6 (35 pers) C/D, 150730H to 171900H, corners AT8039, 8237, 8441, 8641. Ba To, P-132 closed 131900H. Tra Bong, P-103 closed 131900H. Minh Long, C-110 (108 pers) RIF, 140700H to 141700H. P-104 closed 131930H.
15	0900	196th, C/3/21, vic BT015222 at 0830H, obs 2 VC evading 200m NW of their location, eng'd with SA fire, res: 2 VC KIA, dressed in black PJ's, neg ID cards, wpns, or documents.
16	0905	11th, SGT Gaylord, vic BS437337 at 0850H, CA for C/3/1 (1 plat) PZ 0840H, LZ 0850H cold. CA complete.
17	0928	11th, CC/3/1, vic BS784472 at 0915H, detained 4 VCS evading, CC ship rec'd 1 rd SA fire in this area.
18	0940	196th, D/5/46, vic AT947202 at 0918H, rec'd 20 rds sniper fire from 2 positions, neg casualties, ret'd fire, checking area.
19	0945	196th, B/4/21, vic AT803215 at 0925H, obs 2 MAM, black PJ's evading 75m west, eng'd with SA fire, res: 2 VC KIA, no wpns, ID cards, or gear.
20	1008	198th, TOC, extraction for B/1/6 from BT438030 to LAAM Site, PZ 0110H, LZ 0915H complete. C/1/6 from LAAM Site to 446032, PZ 0817H, LZ 0915H, complete.
21	1010	11th, D/3/1, vic BS685555 at 0930H, hit a BT 81mm rd. Res: 4 WHA (E), unit had detained 1 VCS. VCS was killed by BT, res: 1 VC KIA.
22	1010	Tam Ky, 2d ARVN, vic BT346295 at 0920H, unit hit a command detonated mine. Res: 1 KHA, 5 WHA (E). For Info Only.
23	1015	198th, CC/1/46, vic BT368068 at 0935H, rec'd 4 to 5 rds sniper fire from above coord, firing arty on enemy location at this time. 1015H, rec'd more fire from same location, firing arty at this time.
24	0910	1st Mar Div, LNO, K/3/26, CA complete at 0830H, LZ cold. 3 Companies complete as of 1042H. 4.2 mortar and other Co to go today. Move all complete as of 1100H. Less M Company.
25	1010	TF Cooksey, as of 0900H, 6 lifts of 2/5 completed, 4 lifts left. 2/5 complete at 1028H. At 1150H 3 Hook sorties left and then a final extraction by Slick. 3/5 complete at 1220H.
26	1028	198th, R/1/46, sqd location, 1027H, BT037064, BT051045, BT044085.
27	1045	1st Mar Div, G-2, ZC193303 at 0925H, Co sweep. B/1/26 took 2 POW's and 1 IWC, moving SW from Obj Ute.
28	1140	198th, CAP 133, BT663008 at 1125H, CAP 133 rec'd some sniper fire, calling arty now.
29	1145	A/39 Engr, BT223170 at 0955H, found 1 mine in road w/bamboo firing device, 15 lb TNT. Removed and destroyed.
30	1150	196th, CPT Freeman, AT805185 at 1145H, C/6/11 Arty has 10 lifts complete to AT805185. Moving from LZ Richard (Hill 153) to LZ Melon (AT805185). 20 lifts to go. Complete 1605H.
31	1200	198th, BS735795 at 1130H, 198th requests gunships upon report of VC in open. Gunships scrambled and they rec'd fire from BS735801. Ret'd fire with neg results.
32	1230	2d ROK, BT096624 at 1150H, 9th Co obs 1 sqd of VC, res: 5 VC KIA. At 1115H, vic BT103645, 1 LBT hit 81 anti-personnel mine. Res: 1 ROK WIA, minor damage to LBT.

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33	1259	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT186289 at 1258H, 1 VC evading, 1 VC KIA.
34	1314	196th, B&C/2/1, BT081391 at 1125H, obs 2 VC in black PJ's, eng'd, res: 2 VC KIA. 196th will take credit.
35	1333	1/1, A/1/1, BT186289 at 1324H, detained 1 VCS, no ID.
36	1400	196th, B/2/1, AT962343 at 1309H, found 1xK-44, SN 8171558.
37	1420	198th, CAP 133, BT656006 at 1255, made contact with 1 VC sqd. Team had 1 VCS who tried to escape, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA. CAP team called arty on VC sqd w/unk results.
38	1435	196th, D/3/21, BT081234 at 1330H, detained 1 MAM wearing black PJ's with no ID. He led element to BT079239 where they found 1xM-60 MG SN 37748 and 2xK-44's, SN 57199 and 95641. Wrapped in a poncho, laying in a foxhole in good condition. Detainee requests that his mother and 3 sisters be relocated. Will be taken to Tam Ky after questioning.
39	1445	1/1, A/1/1, BT188284 at 1427H, detained 1 VCS.
40	1510	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT115384 at 1510H, inf element was inserted for search of area. Was extracted at 1526H.
41	1515	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT115389 at 1500H, detained 1 MAM evading.
42	1530	Quang Ngai, PFC Lopez, 1/5, at 1530H, BS587745, 1 KHA from a mine. 1/5 at 1215H, BS587746, 1 KHA from contact.
43	1615	11th, B/3/1, BS802445 at 1550H, eng'd 1 VC, 1 VC KIA.
44	2030	(delayed entry from 14 Jul) TF Cooksey, S-2, request VR for following coord: BT7918, 7917, 7916, 7915, 8018, 8017, 8016, 8015. Friendlies at BT804184. Request F/8 Cav come up on Renegade freq 61.84. Alt 65.90.
45	1530	1/1, TOC, AO ext, 160600H to 162400H. 1 plat recon. BT207250 E to BT253250. BT230220 W to BT207250. Passed to PFC Rydell at Tam Ky at 1547H. At 1430H, (14 July) the C&C ship was working this area with "speakers" and rec'd hvy AW fire at 2222H. Cancelled by 1/1 Cav, MAJ Medbury. Called Tam Ky and cancelled.
46	1600	FAC reported spotting sampans at BT2934 and BT2742. Passed to 1/1 Cav to check out.
47	1615	11th, B/3/1, BS802445 at 1550H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
48	1643	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT117375 at 1632H, inf inserted at 1632H, extracted at 1705H.
49	1653	196th, D/5/46, AT955206 at 1619H, found 2500 lbs rice and 1 NVA canteen. Rice evac, canteen destroyed.
50	1725	11th, B/3/1, BS817447 at 0845H, detained 1 VCS who warned a male who was walking into an ambush.
51	1725	11th, D/3/1, BS704554 at 1650H, detained 1 VCS.
52	1730	CLDC, SGT Grayson, will go to "Green" at 1800H.
53	1800	1/1, F/8 Cav, results of VR mission for 4/31. 4 acft on station for 4 hrs 50 min. 4 acft on standby for 4 hrs 50 min. Neg results.
54	1810	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT115389 at 1505H, eng'd 2 VC, res: 2 VC WIA/CIA.
55	1810	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT241429 at 1810H, eng'd 1 VC, 1 VC KIA.
56	1830	196th, TOC, VR request for Renegade. Work with 4/31. Time: 0800H for 120 min. Work D&C/4/31. AT 80-83 NS grid, AT 16-18 grid. Freq: 4/31 command push.
57	1835	198th, BS516825 at 1730H, acft on VR obs 3 VC, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 VC WIA/CIA. Evac to 2d Surg. 1 VC CIA, evac to LZ Bayonet. 2 lb salt and 2 lb rice CIA. No ID or wpns.
58	1835	198th, B/1/46, BT228078 at 1815H, obs 1 MAM evading. Tried to stop him, he wouldn't stop, eng'd, 1 VC KIA.
59	1858	1858, ARVN, AT822260 at 141955H, made contact w/est NVA Co. Called in arty and ret'd fire. Checked area this morning, found 4 NVA KIA and 1 British 303 rifle. (Info only).
60	1905	11th, LT Jenson, neg sightings. AO was in air from 0715H to 0855H.
61	1920	11th, R/1/20, BS456458 at 1735H, unit had 27 men stung by bees. Unit was extracted to Bronco.
62	1925	11th, B/3/1, at 1925H, due to the extraction of r/1/20 from the Minh Long AO, the CA planned by B/3/1 plat was cancelled.
63	1935	Tam Ky, Gold Report. Opn QT-62, 160400H, 1 day, 1 PF plat and 1 Co 1/6 (198th). Area bounded by BT4506, 4606, 4605. Notified SGT Bertucci at 1950H for clearance. OK'd at 2005H.
64	1950	11th, R/1/20, BS812383 at 1915H, R/1/20 extraction back to LZ Bronco complete.
65	1955	1/1, S-2, ref journal entry #46. F/8 Cav checked area with neg findings.
66	2003	TF Cooksey, Marine airlift started at 0907H and was complete at 1855H.
67	2005	196th, B/2/1, AT975340 at 1943H, rec'd 100 rds SA/AW fire from 500m away. Called arty and ret'd fire with SA. Firing ceased, sent ptl to check area. Found 4 VC KIA by arty. Wearing black PJ's, neg wpns or equip. Will check area again at first light.

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1	0001	Journal Opened
2	152115	(delayed entry) Amcal CI, at 2100H 15 July, at approx 1200H 15 July, one VC Provincial Maim Force Bn designated the 409th was located vic BT375025 and BT416018. The unit moved from Quang Ngai and appears to be preparing to stay at referenced coords overnight. The unit has 1 Co of laborers with it. Uniforms: gray, black, and green. Wpns: 4x81mm mortars, 2x82mm mortars, 3x60mm mortars, and 1 DKZ. Mission is to attack Ly Tin Dist HQs and US and GVN outposts in Ly Tin Dist during period 15-20 Jul 68. Passed to 1st CAG, 198th, Ly Tin, OB, FSE CPT Krug. 2244H, arty put 8 rds of 175mm at each coord.
3	0350	1st CAG, CAP 124, a vehicle had been ambushed vic BT435014 at 0215H. US Army APC from An Tan towed vehicle to An Tan Bridge. Driver refused medical aid from this position.
4	0300	198th, TOC, vic BT435103 at 0200H, 1/4-ton pickup truck moving N on Hwy 1 was ambushed at BT435103, rec'd 30 rds of SA and AW fire from W side of road. The driver was WHA (M), 1/6 sent H-Trp 17th Cav to ambush site to pick up driver. The reason An Tan Bridge let truck through, the driver said he was 1LT Harget going to Hill 69 to talk to CO 1/6.
5	0705	196th, B/3/21, vic BT048216 at 0645H, obs 4 VC evading N out of a hootch 50m from their location, eng'd with SA fire. Res: 1 VC KIA, 20-24 yrs old, wearing black PJ's, neg wpns or docs, had a ruck sack w/2 khaki uniforms, 1 VC poncho, and personal gear, will evac to this location.
6	0725	39th Engr, C/39, vic BS717597 at 0700H, rec'd sniper fire from above coord, ret'd fire, neg casualties, neg damage. Passed to Quang Ngai, PFC Seal at 0810H.
7	0813	11th, LRRP Chesterfield, inserted at 0745H vic BS385538.
8	0845	2d ROK, 9th Co, vic BT093621 at 0210H, made contact with unk size enemy force. Res: 2 VC KIA, 1 sight from 60mm CIA.
9	0845	2d ROK, 27th Co, vic BT092634 at 0210H, made contact w/est NVA/VC Co. Res: 15 VC KIA, 1x60mm mortar CIA, 1x5.7 rifle CIA, 50xrds AK-47 ammo CIA, 1xB-40 rkt rd CIA, some documents CIA.
10	0845	2d ROK, 11th Co, vic BT092625 at 0210H, made contact with unk size enemy force. Res: 1x60mm base plate CIA.
11	0851	11th, C/3/1, extraction to Gia Vuc complete 0840H.
12	0855	11th, B/3/1, vic BS776425 at 0845H, detained 1 VCS (female) evading.
13	151605	(delayed entry) 11th, TOC, AO ext from 170600H to 201800H. 3 company opn. BS4942, 4042, 4032, 4932. Passed to PFC Lopez, Quang Ngai at 1625H, approved by LT Luu at 152130H. Passed to SF, CPT Henderson. Further info, opns will be staged from Ba To and Gia Vuc SF Camps, 2 Co's from Ba To and 1 from Gia Vuc, stage on the 17th, CA into area on the 18th.
14	0730	(delayed entry) SF LNO, USASF, Tien Phuoc, P-135 (26 pers) Rcn, 150600H to 161800H, corners BT0811, 1211, 1207, 0807. Gia Vuc, P-159 (31 pers) Rcn, 151900H to 201900H, corners BS4327, 4331, 4827, 4831. Ba To, S-133 (16 pers) corners BS5365, 5631, 5135, 5131. P-128 closed 141800H. Tra Bong, P-108 (33 pers) Rcn, 180503H to 221900H, corners BS3191, 2191, 2185, 3185. P-104 closed 141900H. Minh Long, P-108 (46 pers) Rcn, 170500H to 201130H, corners BS4850, 4843, 5350, 5343. C-111 closed 131700H.
15	0908	196th, D/3/21, vic BT087237 at 0730H, a detainee who was picked up yesterday led them to an area where they obs a VC evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, 1x38 Colt pistol CIA, 1 knife CIA. They believe he was an officer's assistant, also found a small tunnel with 5 holes, all destroyed.
16	0915	11th, D/3/1, vic BS698567 at 0905H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
17	0950	196th, D/2/1, vic BT044428 at 0905H, obs 7 VC evading 75m north of their loc, eng'd with SA fire, res: 1 VC KIA, 6 VCS CIA.
18	0955	11th, A/1/20, vic BS828313 at 0943H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA, Dustoff requested.
19	1014	196th, A/26 Engr, vic BT079388 at 0940H, found on the side of the road a plastic type mine, OD in color. 10" x 11" x 4", blown in place, left a crater 8 x 10 feet, road will be repaired.
20	1045	11th, R/3/1, vic BS343676 at 1025H, 2 WHA (M) from punji stake wounds, do not require Medevac.
21	1055	11th, B/3/1, vic BS783442 at 1015H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA, evac to Liz.
22	1058	1st CAG, CAP 127, vic BT455055 at 160400H, Marine LPS's left compound and met Army personnel as arranged, Marines LPF's swept village and gathered people, Army personnel checked ID cards, 15 VCS detained, evac to Ly Tin.
23	1135	TF Cooksey, MAJ Dixon, request for LRRP AO, upper right AT8934, lower left 9231, preliminary LZ AT908332, alt LZ 918123.
24	1242	11th, LRRP Chesterfield, vic BS386535 at 1235H, eng'd 2 NVA, res: 2 NVA KIA, possible 1 US WHA, Aero Scouts extracting team by rope.
25	1242	11th, B/3/1, vic BS776437 at 1215H, detained 3 VCS, evac to Bronco.
26	1250	196th, D/5/46, vic AT948203 at 1209H, made contact with unk size enemy force, they rec'd AW and SA fire, 3 WHA (E), gunships requested and arty being fired at this time. 1330H, contact broken, element checking out area now.

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27	1300	1st Mar Div, AO, AO checked out target, TOT, 7005, 7003, 7004, 7006. Neg sightings of bunkers, trenches, structures, but heavy trail network in area. Two trails that have been used since Arc Light, 14 July, run N to S. 1. Trail ZC101227 to ZC102237. 2. Trail ZC114230 to ZC115235.
28	1305	198th, R/1/46, 2 sqds airlifted from vic Hau Duc to Bowman, PZ 1232H, LZ 1248H.
29	1330	1/1, B/1/1, vic BT220445 at 1324H, detained 2 VCS, evac to Hawk Hill.
30	1335	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT265402 at 1328H, detained 2 MAM, evac to Hawk Hill.
31	1351	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT270400 at 1334H, detained 3 VCS, evac to Hawk Hill.
32	1352	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT236414 at 1344H, detained 1 MAM, evac to Hawk Hill.
33	1405	Div Trans Off, Engr's want to take a 6 or 7 vehicle convoy from Tam Ky to LZ Young on 18 July. 1406H, passed to PFC Rydel Tam Ky. Reminded him of agreement by 6th Regt to outpost road and secure road sweep team. Passed to 198th, LT Reasor.
34	1410	TF Cooksey, request for snatch mission by F/8 Cav, vic of AT9511. Closest unit is D/5/46 Inf. Same mission as on 14th.
35	1415	196th, LRRP Camel, vic AT904144 at 1340H, while attempting to insert LRRP team, acft rec'd heavy AW/SA fire from different locations, LRRP team returned fire, res: 1 VC KIA. Element reports that approx 200 or 300 enemy on the ground vic above coord. Aircraft took no hits. Unit plans to put air strike in area, arty being fired at this time. 50 cal position at AT907145, AT893144, AT899142. Obs fresh digging at AT904144, also obs many enemy at stream bed at AT900142 to AT911131. Enemy wore green uniforms and some wore black PJ's, with wpns and packs.
36	1418	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT228442, 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
37	1430	TF Cooksey, MAJ Dixon, request AO for LRRP Camel, AT9021, 9221, 9219, 9019. Would like to insert this afternoon.
38	1450	196th, D/5/46, vic AT948203 at 1208H, ref journal entry #26, checked area of contact, detained 1 VCS, evac to LZ Baldy.
39	1500	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT266385 at 1455H, Inf inserted.
40	1518	11th, TOC, vic BS385537 at 1505H, LRRP Chesterfield extracted.
41	1530	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT266385 at 1525H, Inf extracted.
42	1610	CLDC, effective 1800H alert condition Green.
43	1617	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic AT961104 at 1615H, F/8 Cav rec'd hvy AW fire from vic AT961104 and AT959098 while on snatch mission, snatch is not complete at this time.
44	1640	196th, F/8 Cav, vic AT954106 at 1630H, rec'd 500 to 600 rds of AW fire, ret'd fire, destroyed 20 huts.
45	1645	11th, R/3/1, ref journal entry #20, change to read 5 WHA (M).
46	1715	196th, A/3/21, vic BT067293 at 1630H, obs 10 VC in an open rice paddy, well spread out. First 2 were carrying wpns, dressed in black PJ's and straw hats, called arty, res: 2 VC KIA.
47	0930	(delayed entry) ARVN, ZC215258 at 0930H, contact w/unk size force, res: 3 VC KIA, CIA 2xMAS-56.
48	1748	11th, TOC, BS834395 at 1745H, 1/20 will CA into an area where intel reports indicate that a group of VC w/laborers were seen carrying 82mm mortar rds. The 11th Bde will move a plat of C/1/20 with 2 Slicks into that area now. At 1830H, CA went in at 1815H. Unit searching area at this time. Neg results as of 1900H.
49	1755	196th, B/4/21, ZC212204 at 1240H, found what is a base camp used in the last 36 hours. 3 huts in the area. Found bloody rags, 1xChicom canteen, 2xAK-47 mags (24 rds in each), 1xChicom gas mask, 1xTA312 telephone set and case, 3xPRC-25 radios, 2xPRC batteries, 250 ft commo wire, 1xM-1 carbine, SN 1895124, 2xChicom 7.62 rifles. Est each hut held 15 personnel. Huts destroyed, remainder evac.
50	1804	1/1, TOC, CD-10-2, 5 on station, 5 on standby. 6:40 on station, 6:40 on standby. Total of 13:20.
51	1805	1/1, TOC, CD-16-1, 5 on station, 5 on standby. 8:25 on station, 8:25 on standby. Total of 16:50.
52	1925	11th, 174th Avn, BS821409 at 1745H, gunships eng'd q VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
53	1838	Tam Ky, CIDG Opn: 1st one starts at 161600H and ends at 181600H. AO: BT1011, BT1511, 1507, 0027. 2d opn from 170600H to 180600H, 0913, 1113, 1112, 0912.
54	1800	11th, LRRP Chesterfield debriefing. LRRP sent 1 man to recon around position (BS386535). As he was sitting on a trail resting he obs 5 VC with AK-47's, gray uniforms, walking towards his position. Eng'd 1st two at 20m, then returned to rest of patrol and left area. Team extracted at 1505H. Believe to have been detected upon insertion. Heard signal shots shortly after touching down.
55	2105	196th, ARVN, AT818260 at 1800H, found in hut: 1xAK-50, 1xcarbine, 1xMAT-49, 1xSKS.
56	2205	11th, Ba To SF Camp, agent report (C3) 2 VC Bn located BS5831, 6031, 6032, 5832. 1 VC Co at BS635365. 1 VC Co at BS55273. Request arty prior 170600H. 11th will fire arty.
57	2204	196th, C/2/1, AT945336 at 2021H, OP rec'd SA fire, pulled back to LZ Ryder. Just before pulling back fired Claymore which was turned around. Neg casualties.

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1	0001	Journal Opened
2	0100	196th, TOC, S-2, 196th passed the frequencies on to this HQs that were set on the three PRC-25 radios that were captured by B/4/21 yesterday. Radio Research called at 0110H and said they would pick up freq. Radio Research picked them up at 0120H.
3	0305	196th, S-2, vic BT133453 at 162245H, VC PW escaped from cage, do not know how he escaped. Dogs are out and everybody has been alerted, he is believed to still be on Baldy. 196th stated they had informed PM.
4	0705	196th, C/3/21, vic BT052207 at 0620H, obs VC running out of hootch, eng'd with SA, res: 1 VC KIA, wearing green shirt, gray pants, no ID card, he was carrying sand bag with 12 cans of C-rations, 5 lbs of rice. All items he had were destroyed.
5	0705	196th, C/3/21, vic BT051225 at 0645H, obs 1 VC evading 75m north of their location, wearing black PJ's, eng'd with SA fire. Res: 1 VC KIA, no wpns or ID card, 35 to 40 yrs old.
6	162100	(delayed entry) 11th, request AO for LRRP Chesterfield for tomorrow to be inserted as early as possible without an over flight, to be inserted to obs in conjunction with our opn for the 18th. AO upper left 3542, upper right 3842, lower left 3839, lower right 3539. Sent to Quang Ngai, PFC Lopez 2130H, approved 0200H, LT Phuoc.
7	0655	198th, CAP 132, vic BT622018 at 0500H, 1 PF walked into hootch w/HG, it accidentally went off. Res: 4 female and 1 male wounded, Dusted off.
8	0705	1st CAG, CAP 135, vic BS696959 at 0450H, plat moving to Obj, 4th man (PF) took a different trail, Marine behind him hit a M-14 rd, res: 1 US WHA (E).
9	0720	2d ROK, vic BT104649 at 0145H, ROK Marine Rangers on night ambush encountered unk size element of VC, res: 15 VC KIA, 5 IWC.
10	0740	TOC, rec'd Red Rocket message 162327H at 162337Z. Passed to III MAF at 0737H. Rec'd main comm center Red Rocket at 2355Z, passed to III MAF COC at 0756H.
11	0811	11th, LRRP Chesterfield inserted at 0757H vic BS372413.
12	0829	198th, TOC, R/1/52, movement from Chippewa to Dottie, PZ 0758H, LZ 0803H, complete.
13	0845	Div PM, LT Doyle, following is what Div PM has on escape of PW at LZ Baldy 162230H. PW was being interrogated, interpreter decided to take a break, the PW escaped during the break. He jumped from the roof of the shower bldg. in the compound, over the first concertina fence, then crawled under one perimeter fence and jumped down an embankment and made his escape. Search and investigation continues.
14	0845	198th, C/1/52, extracted from BS457998 to Chippewa, 1st PZ 0820H, last LZ 0830H, complete.
15	0900	11th, TOC, A Co from Dragon to Ba To, PZ 0710H, 0715H, 0735H, LZ 0745H, complete. B Co from Liz to Ba To, PZ 0800H, 0845H, 0845H, no LZ complete.
16	0900	CPT Henderson, USASF: Tien Phuoc, C-137 (124 pers) Rcn, 180400H to 201800H, corners BT1313, 1813, 1808, 1308. P-136 (31 pers) Rcn, 161600H to 181800H, corners BT1011, 1511, 1507, 1007. P-132 closed 151200H. Gia Vuc, P-160 (20 pers) Rcn, 161900H to 211900H, corners BS3116, 3119, 3516, 3519. P-156 closed 151900H. Ha Thanh, C-153 closed 151700H. Ba To, P-129 and S-133 closed 160800H. Minh Long, P-110 (46 pers) Rcn, 200500H to 241930H, corners BS4450, 4444, 5050, 5044. P-105 closed 151900H.
17	0907	198th, R/1/6, air movement from Hill 54 to Hill 69, PZ 0800H, LZ 0846H, complete.
18	0915	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT120409 at 0910H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
19	0923	Div TOC, request AO ext continuation for LRRP Camel from 160600H to 201800H, AO AT8816, 9116, 8813, 9113. Passed to Tam Ky, PFC Rydell 0927H, approved by PFD Rydell 1010H.
20	0930	1st CAG, CAP 121, vic BT477144 at 0830H, a VN woman and boy were fired on by chopper, woman hit in legs and boy was wounded in hands from rocket fragments, Dustoff complete 0840H.
21	1006	196th, TOC, Sniffer mission flown 0830H-0915H. Max readings vic AT845307-851308, south side of stream AT839302. AT840337 obs 10-12 VN, black PJ's, no wpns or web gear going SE.
22	1020	11th, 6/11 Arty, vic BS871321 at 0945H, truck with mounted quad 50's hit a mine (pressure detonated), neg casualties, truck had tire and fender blown off, neg damage to gun. Estimated 25 lb charge.
23	1100	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT015091 at 0934H, ran snatch mission for TF Cooksey, got 1 woman about 35 yrs old, went back, obs 2 males about 17 yrs old, did not complete mission, F/8 Cav rec'd sniper fire.
24	1055	2d ROK, TOC, at 1054H, eng'd 4 VC at BT104648, res: 4 VC KIA. At 1020H, 26th Co found 3 caves and eng'd 3 VC, res: 3 VC KIA, 1 gas mask CIA.
25	1118	196th, A and C Co's changed places, complete 0852H.
26	1037	198th, B/1/46, vic BT216071 at 1004H, detained 1 VC female, she said her husband was kidnapped 5 days ago, she led B Co to 2,000 lbs rice, evac rice and detainee.
27	1126	196th, CC/2/1, vic BT022387 at 1040H, obs 1 VC in a stream bed dressed in OD shirt and black pants w/wpn, door gunner eng'd with M-60, res: 1 VC KIA.

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28	1130	Amcal CI, 0930H, 17 July. 1. Ref previous spot reports (SR 1130H 10 July and SR 1100H 14 July) pertaining to Flaming Company. Unit has given up mission of attacking Ly Tin District HQs, maintaining that the HQ's is too heavily fortified. The unit is now located vic BT408024 to prepare to attack US outpost vic BT450055, Hamlet #4, Ky Sanh (V) during period 17-20 July. 2. At approx 1700H 16 July, 3 VC messengers, armed with sub MG's and HG's were seen vic BT489021. Currently located vic BT436003, Ky Sahn (V). Mission is to get in touch w/VC unit in Ky Thanh (V). 3. One NVA Bn (designation unk) moved from Tam Ky mtn area to vic BT395073 on 15 July. Mission is to attack and rocket Ly Tin HS's and Chu Lai Base during 22-27 July. CO: Nguyen Tai Toan and Chan Ngoc Xich. Uniforms: gray w/steel helmets. Wpns: 6 auto rifles, 3 aircraft guns (type unk-two wheels), 3x60mm mortars, 3x81mm mortars, 3 unidentified CS wpns, 3xPRC-10 radios. Strength is approx 300 including a number of Montangards. Passed to 198th, Ly Tin, 1st CAG, CLDC, FSE.
29	1205	11th, CPT Henderson, want to cancel AO north of Duc Pho as of 1200H, no troops in area.
30	1300	196th, 3/82 Arty, vic BT095410 at 1250H, truck hit mine. Res: 1 KHA, 1 WHA (E), truck total loss.
31	1335	39th Engr, A Co, at 1330H ARVN's informed A/39 Engr that 1 VC female confessed elements of VC are near LZ Young, mission to mine the road.
32	1356	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT249379 at 1352H, Infantry inserted.
33	1410	TF Cooksey, MAJ Dixon, request for LRRP AO for LRRP Camel, AY8817, 9117, 9115, 8815.
34	1421	196th, LRRP Tareyton, inserted at 1410H vic AT918313.
35	1445	196th, LRRP Raleigh, extracted at 1442H from AT984405.
36	1505	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT252380 at 1453H, eng'd 1 MAM evading. Res: 1 VCS WIA/CIA, evac to Hawk Hill.
37	1515	11th, Aero Scouts, vic BS607524 at 1455H, detained 1 VCS evading, evac to Minh Long.
38	1515	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT242370 at 1504H, detained 2 VCS, evac to Hawk Hill.
39	1536	11th, CIDG, CIDG move to FSB Checker at 1445H complete. Arty move to FSB Checker at 1505H complete.
40	1536	196th, LRRP Camel, inserted at 1435H vic AT896158.
41	1543	198th, TOC, D-26 (1/52 Inf) moved from LZ Buff to LZ Dottie. PZ 1510H, LZ 1524H, complete.
42	1609	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT245378 at 1605H, 4 MAM evading into bunker, blew bunker. Res: 4 VC KIA.
43	1620	CLDC, alert condition Green effective 1800H.
44	1730	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT249379 at 1715H, F/8 Infantry extracted.
45	1735	196th, F/8 Cav (2/1 Inf), vic BT011348 at 1724H, obs 3 MAM evading acft. Wearing black PJ's, neg wpns or packs, eng'd, res: 3 VC KIA.
46	1717	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT245378 at 1710H, detained 1 VCS. Evac to Hawk Hill.
47	1930	196th, B/2/1, AT972346 at 1900H, obs 1 MAM dressed in black PJ's, res: 1 VC KIA, no wpn or ID.
48	1500	CLDC, at 1800H tonight, SS #7 will have a practice alert. At 2000H 9th Engr will have a practice alert.
49	1702	Tam Ky, PFC Rydell, Time: 181000H - 191600H. PRU unit. Increase size of AO based on 1/1 request from BT2836 to BT3036 to BT3033 to BT2833. Approved by 1/1 Cav. Passed to Tam Ky.
50	1910	1/1, F/8 Cav, missions performed: CD-17-1: 0700H, snatch mission, 6 acft on station, 5 on standby, 5:30 on station, 4:10 on standby. Res: 1 female snatched. CD-17-2: Screen and block for B/2/1, 3 acft on station, 3 on standby, 3 hrs on station, 3 hrs on standby. Res: 3 VC evading, 3 VC KIA.
51	2000	TF Cooksey, F/8 Cav, request for VR from 12-20 grid line. 81-89 grid line (E-W). Command push: Renegade 33, freq 56.85. Nearest friendlies and LRRP Camel. LZ Mellon and Richards 896152. Time: before Noon. Passed to 1/1 Cav.
52	2010	G-3, TOC, informed the 198th and the 196th and 1/1 Cav of a new CCN called "Sarah" effective until 30 July. BT0122, 0702, 0195, 0795.
53	2019	196th, B/2/1, AT971344 at 2005H, rec'd SA fire from 3-5 VC, ret'd fire with SA. Checked area, res: 1 VC KIA. Black PJ's, had a wpn, but other VC ran off with it. No other equip found.
54	2130	Tam Ky, TOC, Gold Report, Opn QT-65, 180600H, 2 RF Co's. Coord: 2126, 2122, 2526, 2522. Called SGT Ayres 1/1 Cav, for part of proposed AO takes place in part of the 1/1 Cav AO.
55	2140	1st CAG, CAP 138, BT576924 at 2045H, compound rec'd 2xM-79 rds. Ret'd fire and called illum. Sent patrol to check area. While ptl was out of compound rec'd SA fire from the S. Res: 2 PF wounded and dusted off. 1 serious, 1 minor.
56	2150	1st CAG, CAP 136, BT533947 at 1745H, patrol made contact while checking ID cards w/est 6 VC with M-16 and carbines. Green uniforms. Enemy expended 100 rds. Ret'd fire and broke contact. Neg casualties or results.
57	2300	Swift Boats, D Patrol Area, many fishermen at BS7599 tonight. Report 55 VC w/200 wpns at BS7292 moving south.
58	2345	198th, 71st Avn, while returning from mission from LZ Dottie, rec'd fire 100m south of Binh Son Bridge. Ret'd fire with neg results.

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2	0618	196th, C/4/3, vic BT953964 at 0610H, obs 1 MAM evading, dressed in gray uniform, eng'd with SA, res: 1 VC KIA.
3	0758	39th Engr, C/39, vic BS717596 at 0654H, rec'd 2 rds of SA fire from BS727603. No action taken, continued mission.
4	0813	196th, C/3/21, vic BT067203 at 0605H, obs 2 NVA evading 15m west of their location, eng'd with SA fire, res: 1 NVA KIA. Dressed in green fatigues shirt and blue shorts. One ruck sack CIA, 20 feet of commo wire, a toothbrush, and 3 lbs of C4, 1 NVA pistol belt, 2 NVA khaki uniforms, 1 rice bag, 1 GI towel, 4xAK-47 mags w/ammo, 1 ammo drum w/ammo, and 1 AK-47 SN 107124388. Captured all equipment, will evac.
5	0845	196th, LRRP Camel, vic AT897158 at 0833, heard 3 rds of semi AW fire 195° from their location, no action taken.
6	0850	196th, D/3/21, vic BT074258 at 0735H, element hit a BT M26 HG, set up w/trip wire across a trail, unit was in a file formation 7 meters apart, no marking or warning device, res: 4 WHA (3 evac, 1 minor).
7	0930	USA Special Forces at 0815H: Tien Phuoc, P-135, closed 161800H. Gia Vuc, P-161 (63 pers) security, 171300H to 211500H, corners vic BS4032, 4036, 4432, 4436. Ha Thanh, P-161 (43 pers) S/D, 170600H to 210700H, P-160 (30 pers) ambush, 180400H to 210700H, corners BS3164, 3664, 3168, 3668. C-159 (14 pers) C/S, 180500H to 210700H, corners BS4077, 4377, 4080, 4380. Ba To, P-134 (42 pers) RIF, 181800H to 211800H, corners BS5432, 5632, 5225, 5925. Minh Long, P-111 (53 pers) Rcn, 190500H to 231900H, BS4455, 4450, 5255, 5250.
8	0950	196th, H/3/21, vic BT078212 at 0910H, obs 1 VC w/wpn evading, eng'd w/SA fire, res: 1 VC KIA, CIA 1xAK-47 SN 201372, 3xmags loaded, Dressed in black PJ's.
9	1000	196th, A/4/3, vic AT913251 at 0845H, EM hit a M16 mine, set in the door of a hut, res: 1 KHA.
10	1000	11th, TOC, movement of 3/1 Infantry. A Co LZ 0736Hm LZ cold. 2d lift in 0800H, LZ cold. 1st lift of C/3/1, LZ 0805H, LZ cold. 2d lift LZ 0815H, LZ cold. 1st lift of B/3/1, LZ 0902H, LZ cold. 2d lift, LZ 0930H, LZ cold. D/6/11, 2 guns in 0830H, complete.
11	1010	198th, River Boat South, vic BS608945 at 0830H, spotted a sampan at BS608945. Had 4 females and 2 men. Found in sampan: 6xM26A1 HG's, 2xlbs of C4 explosives, 150xrds M-1 carbine ammo. Personnel will be brought to Bayonet.
12	1013	198th, PMO, vic BT4614, the PF's reported that 30 VC located vic BT4614 and they have been there for 4 or 5 days. PF's unable to do anything about it because they do not have enough personnel.
13	171400	(delayed entry) 198th, 1/52, AO ext vic BS550790 E to 580790, N to 580815, search and clear mission, 1 plat National Police, 1 plat US. Area is near LZ Buff and unit would like to make periodic search of area. Also intelligence indicates some activity. Will S&C area in conjunction with National Police. AO approved by Quang Ngai at 1600H by PFC Lopez.
14	0900	198th, R/1/52, vic BS681870 at 0830H, obs 2 VC evading with wpns, eng'd with SA, res: 1 VC KIA, 1xUS carbine SN 5163566, docs, evac to Bayonet. Initial readout on docs states they are from 406th Bn, fro 198th IPW, LT Freeman.
15	1010	39th Engr, A/39, vic BT242177 at 1000H, found 1 mine w/bamboo firing device, approx 20 lbs TNT, blew in place leaving 8x8x5 feet, crater filled.
16	1017	198th, TOC, at 1017H, AO ext vic BS710815 east to coast. Would like to extend AO ext to 222400H.
17	1020	11th, A/1/20, vic BS827308 at 1015H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
18	1037	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT985271 at 0950H, eng'd 2 VC, res: 2 VC KIA.
19	1048	Tam Ky, PFC Rydell, RF's and PF's want to set up an ambush at the following coord: BT314098, BT319095, operation will start 190500H to 200800H.
20	1049	196th, LRRP Camel, vic AT897158 at 1030H, report they cannot move any further north because of BT and punji pits. Appear to be 48 hrs old, could be a base camp in that area, will continue to observe.
21	1052	39th Engr, vic BS633817 at 0900H, VN turned in the following ammo: 14x40mm rds, 6x57RR rds, 6x81mm rds, 5xM26 HG's, 1x60mm rd. All destroyed.
22	1055	11th, A/3/1, vic BS436394 at 0930H, unit was receiving heavy AW fire from the objective area, called in air strike, FAC marked target. When acft came in, the first bomb was off target 300 to 400 meters, res: 1 KHA, 5 WHA (E), also 1 WHA (E) from SA fire.
23	1110	39th Engr, A/39, vic BT238176 at 0945H, rock placed in road wrapped in OD plastic suspected. Fake mine blew in place, no secondary explosion.
24	1105	196th, B/5/46, vic AT938197 at 1845H, 2 VN came out of a hut and turned themselves into B/5/46, said they used to be NVA 5 months ago with the 105th Bn and they wanted to go to a secure area, IPW classified them as IC. Passed to CPT Looney, Div IPW Cage, he will check this information out ASAP. Readout on 2 returnees picked up by the 5/46. One was 20 yrs old, he was forced to join the 105 MF Regt in 1966, he stayed for 10 days then deserted, 15 days later he was captured again and was given political indoctrination at three different locations (AT907217, AT905227, AT892177), since then has been held prisoner and forced to work as assistant Young Men Association Leader. Three weeks ago, he saw 100 MF guerrillas with AK-47's, RPD's, and B-40's. Other returnee was 16 yrs old, he became a hamlet guerrilla in 1966. He was give political indoctrination. Then he went to the 105th MF Regt, he served for a month and then he deserted for the next year and six months before he was captured by cadre several times. Until recently he had been working for the 105 MF Regt in a transportation unit loc BT023223. He knows nothing about the breakdown of the unit. He cannot read, write, or count. He met up with other returnee and they decided to give up and go to a secure area.

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25	1110	196th, TOC, LRRP Tareyton location as of 1110H, AT916319.
26	1115	196th, TOC, at 1115H, the Kit Carson indicates that he is on Sooner now, was a Chieu Hoi months ago, but the paperwork has been approved and now he is a Kit Carson working on Sooner for the S-5.
27	1120	Quang Ngai, CPT Coggershall, VC returnee questioned at Quang Ngai, reported locations of enemy elements vic BS686922, 695928, BS676888 is a hospital. Passed to OB, says very possible, had previous report that these two units going to attack Binh Son on dark of the moon.
28	1120	1/1, TOC, at 1105H, Infantry of F/8 Cav was inserted at 1105H vic BT267377.
29	1140	1/1, C/1/1, vic BT115315 at 1140H, detained 1 VCS female.
30	1148	196th, CC/2/1, vic BT006337 at 1125H, rec'd 10-15 rds SA fire coming out of OP Tiger Base, area under obs now.
31	1205	1/1, C/1/1, vic BT116308 at 1200H, detained 1 MAM and 1 female.
32	1208	1/1, B/1/1, vic BT262376 at 1207H, detained 2 VCS, evac to Hawk Hill.
33	1210	196th, C/3/21, vic BT082202 a6 1135H, obs 1 VC hiding in a spider hole, eng'd at 25m with SA, res: 1 VC KIA, plaid shirt & black PJ pants, 40 yrs old.
34	1210	196th, C/3/21, vic BT084204 at 1145H, obs 1 VC evading north 25m from location, eng'd with SA, res: 1 VC KIA, wearing white shirt & khaki trousers, 18-20 yrs old.
35	1307	1/1, C/1/1, vic BT110316 at 1305H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA, also detained 1 VCS in the area.
36	1337	196th, LRRP Camel, vic AT922132 at 1240H, obs VN dressed in black PJ's moving SE about 3000m from their location, could not obs wpn at 1300m. AT927137 spotted 15 water buffalo with 1 indiv watering them, they are stationary in river.
37	1405	11th, S-2, request AO for LRRP Parliament be cancelled, passed to Quang Ngai, PFC Seal.
38	1410	1/1, C/1/1, vic BT115315 at 1400H, detained 2 VN, 1 male, 1 female, will evac to Hawk Hill.
39	1440	CLDC, NSAD will be blowing some explosives at 1800H.
40	1500	1/1, F/8 Cav, infantry vic BT267377 at 1455H, infantry extracted.
41	1512	11th, A/3/1, vic BS419397 at 1503H, moving to objective rec'd heavy fire, 1 US KHA, requested gunships.
42	1540	Quang Ngai, RF sqd vic BT205387 at 172330H, eng'd 7 VC, res: 6 VC KIA, 1 VC CIA, 4xB-40 rds CIA, some AK-47 ammo.
43	1540	Quang Ngai, 3/5, vic ZC163227 at 1120H, eng'd unk size enemy force, enemy returned fire, res: 1 ARVN KHA, 1 ARVN WHA.
44	1540	Quang Ngai, 4/5, vic AT825242 at 1130H, rec'd sniper fire, res: 1 ARVN KHA.
45	1615	11th, COL Henderson, situation report on 3/1. No contact at present, A Co moving south, B Co moving south, lead element about 400 meters apart, will marry up tonight. Units are encountering double and triple canopy. No VC or NVA have been seen, however they have rec'd SA fire. Units are planned for extraction beginning about 1400H on the 19th.
46	1620	CLDC, alert condition Green effective 1800H.
47	1705	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT156351 at 1705H, detained 1 MAM.
48	1717	11th Bde, vic BS433392, B/3/1 found some commo wire, are following commo wire to source. Further info, found bunker at end of wire. Saw 3 VC w/packs evading, are trying to flank VC now.
49	1636	III MAF, 2nd CAG, report 80 people in a group moving to the N with bags and possessions from Hoa An, BT165575. Shops closed, no workers in field. The patients in Germal Hospital reported to be moving out. Hospital at BT043621. Called III MAF, but they were unable to give reasons for the move. They are checking it out now. At 1700H, S-2, CPT Smith, Hoi An, stated it is not true. The G-2 people at Hoi An checked it out and found nothing out of the ordinary.
50	1746	1/1, TOC, CD-18-2 for 2/1. 3 ships on station, 3 on standby for 3 hrs each, Neg results.
51	1747	1/1, TOC, CD-18-1 for 4/31. 5 ships on station and 5 on standby for 8:25 each. Res: 2 VC KIA at 987215.
52	1803	51st ARVN Bn, were in a fire fight from 0830H to 1500H. 5 KHA, 12 WHA (E). The unit was an est Bn. KMC 1 KHA, KMC 1 WIA, 2 US WIA.
53	1830	569 MID (196th) MAJ Denny, recent analysis of trends in the past few days indicates an increase in enemy activity in the NE portion the Wheeler/Wallowa AO, by suspected 105th Bn and 31st Regt. The 2d ROK have had several contacts near Hoi An in the past few days. They have also noticed hvy resupply action in the north-central portion of Wheeler/Wallowa, but this has been disrupted by units operating in the area.
54	1900	1/1, B/1/1, BT212385 at 1835H, tank hit mine, neg wounded. Moderate damage to tank, left crater 4' x 8', Nitro Starch.
55	1927	196th, LRRP Camel, AT936136 at 1900H, obs 6 VC walking down river w/wpns. Calling arty at 1922H.
56	1924	ARVN totals for today, SGT Billings, at 1630H, 11 VC KIA, 1 VC CIA.

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2	2150	(delayed from 18 July) MAG-13, Agent report, there is one Bn, 60-1, Co Cmdr's name is Nguyen Ngoc Lich. They have 2x82mm, 1x60mm, 1x57mm RR, 5 rfts (size unk). Many B-40 rfts, 1 PRC-10 radio. Moving from Phuoc Binh Tay of Quang Ngai province to Donh Cha (BT412011) and Phuoc Khach (BT375061). Their obj is to shell air base in Ly Tin Dist HQs between the 18th and the 22ns of July.
3	181213	2d ARVN Div requests a blocking force along sandbar in area as follows: BS743795 to BS744795 to BS744807 to BS745807 (to be in position 0730H). Opn begins tomorrow at 0700H to 200700H AT 304, 3 Bn's, APC Trp, Rcn Co. Operational area: BS697763 to BS746755, 698709, 723803 to 731796, 731792, 736790, 744792. Air strike 0745H-0845H, BS733807, 743808, 735793, 737790.
4	181530	1/1, TOC, AO ext requested, time: 190600H to 191800H, from BT1822 south to BT1821, east to BT2221, north to BT2225, west to BT208250. Reason: will be operating on extreme boundary and want a 1 click safety margin in case they're fired on. Passed to PFC Rydell, Tam Ky. OK by LT Quen 1657H.
5	181936	Tam Ky, Gold Report (ARVN Opn) OPR QT-66, 190600H, 2 RF Companies vic BT2126, 2122, 2326, 2422. Search & destroy, one day opn.
6	0655	196th, C/3/21, vic BT077207 at 0640H, obs 1 VC evading to east, 25-50 meters, eng'd with SA, res: 1 VC KIA, green shirt, black shorts, 25-30 yrs old, neg ID, wpn, documents, or equipment.
7	0710	11th, B/3/1, vic BS435388 at 0708H, captured 1 VC or NVA with AK-47, SN 11070227, says his unit is 6702. Green uniform. B/3/q thinks he is an NVA, res: 1 VC or NVA CIA, 1 IWC.
8	0730	11th, TOC, vic BS423478 at 0715H, LRRP Viceroy was inserted at 0715H, vic BS423478, they had a VN National with them as bait carrying an AK-47, while they were being inserted VN fell into punji stakes and Dustoff was called, LRRP remained in position.
9	0747	196th, ARVN 2/5, vic ZC200232 at 0525H, sprung ambush, res: 2 VC KIA, CIA 1 wpn.
10	0755	198th, CAP 137, vic BS642935 at 0630H, element hit a booby trap, res: 1 USMC KHA, 2 PF's KHA, 2 WHA (E). 0705H, CAP 137 made contact, rec'd SA fire, requested gunships, 1/52 sent gunships.
11	0802	39th Engr, C/39, vic BS717597 at 0635H, rec'd 5 rds sniper fire from BS729599, returned 200 rds AW & 100 rds SA fire, continued mine sweep.
12	0811	196th, LRRP Camel, vic AT931136 at 0805H, obs 4 VN in rice paddy, appeared to be working in a rice paddy, neg wpns.
13	0817	198th, 1/46, vic BT044058, request that F/8 Cav be available to perform snatch mission for R/1/46, passed to 1/1 Cav and given 1st priority basis.
14	0829	11th, B/3/1, vic BS433397 at 0805H, found 48 rds of 82mm ammo.
15	0850	198th, B/1/46, vic BT238124 at 0833H, eng'd 2 male and 2 female enemy, gray uniforms w/web gear and AK-47's, res: 2 VC KIA.
16	0852	196th, LT Vosbury, request tracker dog team to check area where a base camp is located. Passed to tracker dog team, SGT Phillips, they will have the team ready to go in approx 15 min. Passed to 196th, they have a chopper on the way to pick up team.
17	0855	11th, LRRP Chesterfield, vic BS373413 at 0650H, planned extraction, LRRP extracted 0650H.
18	0910	196th, D/3/21, vic BT086267 at 0715H, obs 1 MAM evading north, 200m from their location, eng'd with SA, res: 1 VC KIA, dressed in black PJ's, had rice, wine, fish, neg ID, docs, or equipment.
19	0910	196th, D/3/21, vic BT086265 at 0735H, obs 1 MAM evading south 100m from their location, eng'd with SA, res: 1 VC KIA, dressed in black PJ's, over a khaki uniform, pack marks on back. 32 yrs old, neg docs or ID.
20	0920	CLDC, NSAD will be blasting at 1015H today.
21	0930	11th, B/3/1, vic BS433387 at 0835H, found a new base camp south of the other one, searching it at this time.
22	0930	198th, C/1/52, vic BS726829 at 0910H, in contact with est plat of VC. Enemy dug in wearing uniforms and camouflaged helmets. Res so far, 4 VC KIA, CIA 2xRPG's, 2 US WHA (M).
23	0950	198th, D/1/52, vic BS555815 at 0927H, located 1 VC evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC WIA, Dustoff completed 0945H.
24	0955	11th, D/1/20, vic BS899209 at 0838H, detained 1 VCS female, no ID, found misc clothes.
25	1000	198th, C/1/52, vic BS731840 at 0945H, hit a BT, res: 1 KHA, 1 WHA (E).
26	1010	Special Forces, at 0855H: Ha Thanh, P-161, closed 171700H. P-155, closed 171800H. Nong Son, P-6, closed 171900H. Ba To, P-135, (42 pers), Rcn, 181800H to 212400H, corners BS5533, 5629, 4827, 4732. Minh Long, P-107, closed 181000. P-106, closed 181200H.
27	1025	196th, D/3/21, vic BT085265 at 0745H, detained 1 NVA suspect, dressed in khaki uniform, age 33 yrs old. He led them to 6000 lbs of rice at three different locations, in bamboo baskets, rice destroyed. The he tried to evade north, eng'd with SA fire, res: 1 NVA KIA, he had pack marks on his back and boot marks on his legs, also captured a rice bag with rice receipts on it.
28	1026	196, C/3/21, vic BT075205 at 0940H, obs 1 MAM evading, 100m west of their location, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, no ID, wpn or documents.

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29	1052	2d ROK, 26th Co, vic BT073615 at 0745H, hit a 105 rd booby trapped. Res: 3 USMC KHA, 5 USMC WHA (E), 1 KMC KHA.
30	1100	Americal CI (Eval C3) 1. One VC Co (designation unk) combined with the 706th VC Co, total strength approx 160, are located Ky Chanh (V) (coordinated unk). Mission is to attack Ly Tin District HQ's, US outposts in the area, and mine An Tan Bridge during period 19-22 Jul. CO: Unk, wpns: 2xrocket launchers (types unk), 2x60mm mortars, 4x.30 cal MG's. 2. The 60th Bn, 1st VC Regt currently located vic BT410018. Mission is to rocket Chu Lai Base from period 19 through 22 Jul. CO: Nguyen Ngoc Lich. Wpns: 4xrockets, 1x60mm, 1x57mm RR, and 1x82mm mortar.
31	1105	198th, D/1/52, vic BS555815 at 0945H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA.
32	1111	198th, H/17 Cav, vic BS533003 at 1045H, (illegible text) called Dustoff for 1 US, running into bunker ran into bunker beam, injured eye, Dustoff not completed.
33	1112	196th, LT Anderson, at 1112H LRRP Camel extracted at 1040H, Camel was probed by unk size enemy force. Contact broke and LRRP Camel was extracted. Slicks did receive fire from PZ.
34	1134	11th, D/3/1, vic BS805445 at 1111H, detained 1 VCS female, no ID card, 25 yrs old, evac to LZ Bronco.
35	1155	198th, R/1/46, at 1150H vic BT040057, obs in khaki uniforms, 3 NVA, no packs or wpns, will continue to observe.
36	0747	196th, PF Que Son, vic BT005353 at 0730H, working mission for 2/1, along Highway 535, working NW, in contact with VC plat now. Returning fire with 60mm and SA, gunships on call. Gunships expended ammo, res at this time: 9 VC KIA, 4 VC CIA, unit still receiving fire, they have found bunker and spider holes in the area. 9 VC KIA, arty on Ross, A Btry 3/82.
37	1026	196th, B/4/31, vic AT810182 at 0915H, made contact with 8 or 9 NVA, eng'd with SA and AW fire, checked area and found 1xSKS and hvy blood trail going south, they are still checking area.
38	1033	196th, B/3/21, vic BT087216 at 0830H, found 15 NVA ruck sacks at night laager position, 9xRPG rds, 7xmags loaded w/Chicom MG ammo, 1800xrds AK-47, seems to be a recent mortar site, empty ammo cans, evac equip to LZ Center.
39	1120	198th, TOC, at 104 H, LZ Paradise to River Boat South, PZ 1045H, LZ 1054H. B-3 from River Boat South to Paradise, PZ 1054H, LZ 1104H complete. D-2 1/52, Dottie to BS730848, PZ 0942H, LZ 1037H Eagle Flight.
40	1233	11th, TOC, 1510H-1850H, results of insertion, vic BS290601, inserting infantry at 1510H, extracted 1850H, assist by 55 CIDG, SF from Ha Thanh, assist by 2 air strikes to SW and E, results of air strikes: 1-5 major secondary explosions, vic BS293597, two large and number of SA rds exploding as result of strikes vic BS396602, two VC KBA at BS289602. (MF Results) 1. Six hootches destroyed, 30 bicycles at BS289603, BS292603. 2. Bicycle factory vic BS289603 destroyed. 3. 4x120mm mortars at BS289605. 4. 1 US pistol belt, canteen, poncho, 20 rds SKS ammo, at BS289605. 5. Holes dug in hill at BS289605. 6. One family, 1 male & 1 female, taken to Ha Thanh from BS390607. 7. Wpn fire received. Small arms fire 360° from insertion, 1515H to 1850H, some type hvy wpn from BS288605 during extraction, also BS297603 suspected RPG or B-40, or possible shoulder held 20mm, also a mortar or M-79 rd exploded between helicopter on extraction, infantry rec'd only small arms, did hear hvy fire on acft. Other observation, hootches appear to be storage only, did have trails leading to and from, only one dwelling as such noted. Hootches contained several bikes, unk number of indiv escaped to NW.
41	1300	198th, E/1/52, vic BS504954 at 1250H, obs 4 VC vic BS504954, calling in 4.2mortar fire at this time.
42	1315	196th, B/3/21, vic BT090217 at 1245H, moved into area, spotted 1 NVA, dressed in Khaki evading 15m from their location, eng'd with SA fire, res: 1 NVA KIA, found 2xM-72 LAW's, 13xChicom HG's, 10x60mm mortar rds, all destroyed.
43	1350	11th, Aero Scouts, vic BS289604 at 181630H, eng'd 4 VC evading, res: 4 VC KIA.
44	1403	1st CAG, CAP 137, vic BS641934 at 0710H, while on patrol the PF called a halt, a mine was tripped by one of the people in the patrol, res: 1 USMC KHA, 2 WHA, 3 PF WHA, 2 PF KHA. Medevac 0730H, Medevac rec'd 20-30 rds from approx 8 VC, called arty, res unk. 1000H, Medevac complete.
45	1405	1st CAG, CAP 134, vic BT658009 at 0900H, while on security for the wood cutting party from Son Tra, rec'd SA & M-79 fire, approx 10 rds. Spotted VC and started to follow them, then called arty with good coverage, checked area, res: 1 VC KIA.
46	1409	26th Engr, vic BT100427 at 1230H, rec'd 1 sniper rd, 300-400 meters from check point. Another on Rt 535, LZ Ross, north side of road.
47	1530	196th, S-2, readout from LRRP Camel Team, checked area where they had disarmed some booby traps yesterday and booby traps were rearmed this morning. Then they obs 4 VC. When VC saw them the eng'd from AT903154 and AT898158, LRRP's returned fire and think they wounded 1 VC because blood trails in area. Team was extracted at 1120H. Gunships rec'd fire when the team was extracted.
48	1536	1/1, A/1/1, vic BT114331 at 1500H, detained 1 MAM & 1 female, bringing back to Hawk Hill later.
49	1430	11th, TOC, extraction of 3/1. A Co, extracted to Minh Long at 1330H. B Co, 1/2 to Minh Long at 1340H, 1/2 to LZ Liz at 1340H. C Co, extracted to Gia Vuc at 1410H. Are now working on D/6/11.
50	1442	196th, 4/5 ARVN, vic AT820260 at 0910H, eng'd 4 VC, res: 4 VC KIA, 1xChicom HG CIA, 1xAK-47 CIA, 2xruck sacks CIA, also had 2 ARVN's WHA (E).
51	1442	196th, 3/5 ARVN, vic ZC205248 at 0910H, eng'd 3 VC, res: 3 VC KIA, 2xM-1 carbines CIA, 1xM-1 rifle CIA.

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52	1442	196th, 2/5 ARVN, vic ZC206246 at 0920H, found in a hut, 2000 lbs rice, rice destroyed. Also found 1x12 gauge shotgun, 1xTA-33 telephone.
53	1500	Coastal Group 15, will have ambush at following loc: BT445130, on island. BT450124, by boat. Time: 191900H July to 200600H July.
54	1558	11th, A/3/1, at 1545, air move to LZ Dragon complete at 1545H.
55	1610	196th, C/1/52, at 1610H, contact was broken 1610H.
56	1530	198th, FAC, BS740523 at 1510H, spotted 2 NVA in uniform w/wpns. Eng'd with rockets. Believe 2 NVA KIA. Will check with infantry.
57	1730	CLDC, effective 1800H, condition Green.
58	1745	11th, C/3/1, move to Gia Vuc complete at 1740H. B/3/1 move from Minh Long to LZ Liz complete at 1743H. Northern portion of Duc Pho AO passed back to 3/1 at 1700H.
59	1746	196th, D/3/21, BT070254 at 1735H, point man while moving to night location detonated BT. Res: 2 WHA, Dustoff called. The mine was a homemade type believed to be C4. Had pull release device.
60	1801	196th, B/2/1, BT064453 at 1740H, obs 1 VN, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
61	1745	196th, A/4/3, AT904253 at 1715H, rec'd 2 mortar rds, neg damage.
62	1911	1/1, X4/19/1 (for 198th) 12 acft on station, 15 on standby. 15 hrs on station; 24 hrs on standby. Total of 39 hrs. Neg results.
63	1912	11th, B/3/1, CA vic BS810436, 1st PZ 1855H, last LZ 1905H, complete. LZ cold.
64	2020	196th, D/4/31, AT810140 at 2007H, while at night laager position, rec'd 2-3 rifle grenades. Neg casualties or results.
65	2020	11th, B/3/1, BS791426 at 1925H, gunships eng'd 3 VC evading, res: 3 VC KIA.
66	1322	(delayed entry) 196th, A/4/3, AT904253 at 1245H, made contact with unk number NVA 25m from their location. Res: 2 NVA KIA, 2xAK-47 CIA, SN's 10057338, 1205996. 1 NVA had pith helmet, 1 entrenching tool and 1 ammo belt. 1 NVA had canteen with Star, 4xAK-47 mags with 30 rds in each, 1 hammock, 92 loose rds for AK-47, 1 can of oil. 1 NVA had 3xAK-47 mags, 2xChicom HG's, 1xNVA entrenching tool, 1 hammock. Also 62 loose AK-47 rds.
67	1540	(delayed entry) 196th, A/4/3, AT906260 at 1445H, rec'd 8 rds MG fire, request gunships. Gunships expended, still receiving AW fire. NCD at 1540H. Will place air strike on location at 1700H. At 1455H Aero Observer took a hit, called arty. Believed they knocked it out. Also 1 gunship took 1 hit by .50 cal (AT890255). Still receiving SA fire. Neg casualties yet.
68	1735	TF Cooksey, A/4/3, AT904253 at 1245H, contact with unk size force. Eng'd with organic wpns, res: 2 NVA KIA. Captured 2xAK-47's. Continuing at 1450H. C&C rec'd 10-15 rds AW fire from AT905258. AT899258, C&C ship took 1 hit, still flyable. AO came on station, did not see anything. At 1505, A Co reported receiving sniper fire from AT905258 and AT899258. Element moving to target, reported receiving fire from AT902260. AO at AT906260 spotted 1 NVA with MG. Had forward element of A Co pinned down. AO rec'd hvy AW fire at 1515H, took 1 hit, acft still flyable. Returned to Baldy to rearm and check. At 1520H, gunships on station, expended, and left station to rearm and refuel. At 1545H, A Co reported receiving hvy MG fire and AO adjusted arty on MG, knocking out MG and crew. Gunships on station again. Rec'd .50 cal fire at AT898253. One gunship down at LZ O'Conner. Unit still receiving sniper fire at 1735H. Total results: 2 NVA KIA, 2 AK-47 CIA. Gunship at O'Conner not safe to fly.
69	1745	196th, A/4/3, AT804253 at 1240H, ref journal entry #68. 2 USMC WHA (E), 1 KHA.
70	2100	11th, Aero Scouts, BS289602 at 1500H, eng'd 2 VC, res: 2 VC KIA.
71	2230	MAG-13, agent report, 409th Bn at Ky Thanh, mission to attack Hill 79 and Chu Lai Air base. Last night VC came to Ky Lien and Long Binh Hamlet to get info on shelling air base. 60/1 Bn left 1 plat behind at Dong Co and moved to Phuoc Khach, Obj: to hit Chu Lai. A PF LT is taking a patrol to Tich Tay to capture 3 VC in that village.
72	1530	(delayed entry) 198th, FAC, BS745832 at 1504H, spotted 2 VC in open. TAC Air hit, res: 2 VC KIA.
73	1650	(delayed entry) 198th, TOC, BS738820 at 1645H, D/1/52 made contact while moving into above area. Unit pulled back, the enemy is counter-attacking. Calling in gunships and air SE of 1/52. Dustoff was called, casualties unk. 1 RPG rd hit track, res: 1 WHA (E). 1 man tripped mine, res: 5 WHA (E). CO D Co is wounded. One plat leader wounded. 1915H, D Co has 3 KHA, 13 WHA (E). Mostly from mines, although 4 or 5 from RPG fragments.
74	1715	198th, C/1/52, H/17 Cav, BS732826 at 1655H, a track from H/17 Cav was hit by RPG rds. Res: 5 WHA (E) from H/17 Cav. 1 WHA (E) from C/1/52.
75	1745	198th, D/1/52, BS732822 at 1724H, rec'd SA/AW fire. Also M-79 fire. Res: 2 KHA, 12 WHA (E).
76	1745	198th, C/1/52, BS735829 at 1717H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
77	1830	198th, C/1/52, BS731882 at 1815H, tripped M16 Bouncing Betty mine, res: 4 WHA (E).
78	1945	198th, D/1/52, BS555815 at 0927H, eng'd 1 VCS, later classified IC.
79	2010	198th, D/1/52, BS739839 at 2000H, rec'd 1 rd RR fire. NCD.

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1	0001	Journal Opened
2	191535	(delayed entry) 1/1 Cav, TOC, AO extension request, coord: BT200260, 230200, 200200, 215260, time: 200600H - 201900H. Reason: change southern points to 226220, 200210, coordination with Senior Advisor from Province, planning to conduct screen during political happenings tomorrow, passed to Tam Ky.
3	191615	(delayed entry) 11th Bde, 52nd MID, NVA/PW captured vic BS432392 by B/3/1 on or about 0700H 19 July. Unit is 11th Sqd, 3d Plat, 2d Co, 1st Bn, 22d Regt, 3d NVA Div. Individ is 24 yrs old and very sick with malaria. He arrived in Quang Ngai (P) 3 Jul. His Co was in a base camp vic BS423395. Several days ago he and 12 others left on a rice gathering mission, he became separated because of illness, and was caught in vic of his deserted base camp after returning. Co has about 48 men, only 27 have indiv wpns, no hvy wpns. He doesn't know missions or locations. 11th Bde S-2 to forward TWX shortly. Name: Nguyen Fuu Duc. Rank: Pvt. Dept: NVA Feb 68. Infiltration No.: 568. Arrived: 3 July. 2d LT is CO of company. 2d LT is XO of company. 1 LT is political officer. Knew code name "Cong Trudng #3", possible aka for 22d Regt.
4	191655	(delayed entry) III MAF, CPT Patonoid, readout on a detainee picked up by ARVN near Quang Ngai this morning. He stated he was from the 3rd Engr Co, 3rd Bn, 2nd Regt, 3rd NVA Div. He said his unit is located along the Selo River from BS3055 to BS2442. His mission was to recon Quang Ngai Airfield because his Bn is going to attack the airfield in the next 3 days. Quang Ngai already has this info (CPT Coggershall will have more info today).
5	191937	(delayed entry) 11th, S-2, reference 5 VCS picked up last night, 2 were kids, 2 females, 1 MAM. MAM said he worked for VC for 1 yr, he got rice and fish for payment, he knows where 2 caves w/rice and ammo. 1 female was wife of hamlet chief, she knows the location of rice cache and tunnel. Her husband has been a VC hamlet chief for 1 year. 1 woman said she knows where a rice cache is located BS290601, she saw a lot of VC in her hamlet (290601) w/wpns and green uniforms.
6	192207	(delayed entry) 196th, HQ/4/31, vic AT804193 at 2204H, LZ Mellon rec'd approx 7 rds of incoming outside of perimeter and at 2212H rec'd a small probe from the south by SA fire, gunships on station, at 2234H fire ceased, feel that there are 2 WHA. Mortar fire came from. Total rds of mortar, WHA are rd inside or outside. (Transcription Note: spot report fractured and incomplete)
7	182330	(delayed entry) Tam Ky, 2d ARVN Opm, 3 PF Plat, security patrols commencing 200500H, lasting 1 day. Area bounded by BT0617, 0917, 0614, 0914. Contacted 196th & 198th by secure radio at 0030H.
8	0015	198th, H/17 Cav, 1/6, vic BT330209 at 0012H, PF located 1 VC in water, eng'd with HG, res: 1 VC KIA.
9	0030	198th, CAP 113, vic BT326180 at 0026H. VC broadcast that the VC have a mortar and will use tonight or tomorrow night on CAP 113.
10	0030	198th, CAP 111-112-113, vic BT364202, 337173, 326186 at 0015H, VC near villages surrounding CAP units VC broadcasting to VN people to stay away from these CAP units. The CAP's believe they are going to be hit tonight, have arty standing by.
11	0045	2d ARVN, TOC. Opn 101, time 190600H, 1 Bn, 1 RF Co, 5 PF Co's, clearing and containment. Call sign: Rice Cutlass Alpha, freq: 48.70, coord: BS6165, 6664, 6257, 6859. Opn 1070, time 190302H, 2 plats, infiltrating, call sign: Rice Cutlass Alpha, freq: 48.70, coord BS044932, BS032683. Opn 341, time 190300H, 1 plat, infiltrating, call sign: Rice Cutlass Alpha, freq: 48.70, coord BS555656, 563617. Opn 347, time 200300H, 1 day, 1 plat, infiltrating, call sign: Rice Cutlass Alpha, freq: 48.70, coord BS693636 to BS621617. Opn 1076 Bravo, time 200200H, coord BS619668, BS604673, 1 plat infiltrating.
12	0050	TF Cooksey, vic AT804193, HQ/4/31, at 0043H-0150H, had mortars south of their position, scrambled guns & flare at 0047H, rec'd 9 to 10 grenades on S end of perimeter. Presently firing mortars & arty south of their location. 0100H, gunships on station and things were quiet. Guns left Mellon at 0155H, all quiet. Dustoff complete 0150H for earlier attack casualties.
13	0105	198th, C/1/46, vic BT188157 at 0055H, rec'd 4 rds 82mm mortar, NCD, eng'd w/mortars, arty, and Quad-50. As of 0155H, 198th reported that they rec'd 25 rds of 82mm. Fired CM to BT233133, are sending squad size patrol to the loc.
14	0120	198th, D/1/46, vic BT239142 at 0113H, rec'd incoming, rec'd 10x82mm mortars, walking up hill, outside of perimeter, ceased at 0125H.
15	0120	Tam Ky, MACV Compound, vic BT313218 at 0120H, compound receiving mortar rds, around the compound. None landed inside compound. Rec'd approx 15-20 rds, NCD, fired CM to BT316190 & BT320198.
16	0141	Tam Ky, TOC, vic BT1741 at 0140H, Thang Binh receiving mortars & SA fire. Rec'd 10 rds RPG (B-40) & 82mm, there are some wounded but don't know how many. Took 1 B-40 rocket in compound, 1 behind arty position, several B-40 or 82mm landed in city, 4 VC KIA, 5 friendly WHA.
17	0520	196th, TOC, vic BT031292 at 0215H, made contact w/est 40 VC believed to be carrying AK-47's & 1 LMG, VC hit village of Vinh Linh. Eng'd w/SA & 81mm, the VC evaded to the east, believed going to Hill 106, 2 VN civilians KIA, 4 VN civilians WHA, 10 hootches destroyed.
18	0219	198th, 1/46, vic BT239142 at 0200H, the 106 RR at Bowman fired a suspected mortar grid, rec'd 1 secondary explosion.

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19	0645	Tam Ky, TOC, vic BT173417 - BT166414 at 0015H, Thang Binh received 40x82mm mortar rds, 10xB-40 rocket rds. There were 2 friendly KIA, 11 wounded evac, enemy res: 7 VC KIA.
20	0700	Tam Ky, MACV Compound, vic BT313265 at 0115H, MACV Compound rec'd 20x60mm mortars, friendly casualties, 1 civ KHA, 1 civ WHA, neg results to enemy, counter mortar fired vic BT316190-BT320198.
21	0708	11th, R/1/20, vic BS518460. 1st LZ 200705H, LZ cold. 2nd lift, PZ 0706H, LZ 0715H, LZ cold. 3d lift, PZ 0710H, LZ 0715H, LZ cold. Complete 0715H.
22	0710	198th, C/1/6, vic BT384090 at 0900H, as a result of hand grenades thrown into C Co's location last night, C Co checked area this morning and found 1 VC KIA.
23	0719	1/1 Cav, vic BT201229, F/8 Cav at 0716H, obs 1 MAM evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
24	0800	39th Engr, A/39, vic BT189159 at 0100H, rec'd 30 rds of 82mm or B-40 rds, res: 1 WHA (M). Arty fired on suspected enemy location. Small arms as previously reported from 1/46 on LZ Young.
25	0800	39th Engr, C/39, vic BS725598 at 0710H, rec'd 8 rds of sniper fire from BS717597, ret'd fire, continued mine sweep.
26	0815	ARVN, TOC, vic BT267243 at 2250H, a patrol of VC made contact with a plat of ARVN at BT267243, res: neg casualties, CIA 15xHG's, unk type.
27	0815	ARVN, TOC, vic BT336209 at 0015H, 1 man in water at BT336209, Tam Ky Bridge, eng'd with HG, res: 1 NVA KIA.
28	0815	ARVN, TOC, vic BT135131 at 0235H, at BT135131 and Loc Son, rec'd 20 rds of 82mm mortar, neg casualties.
29	0815	ARVN, TOC, vic BT316190 at 0015H, rec'd 20x60mm mortars, res: 1 KHA (civilian), 1 WHA (civilian). The 6th Regt sent patrol to investigate.
30	0830	196th, 2/5 ARVN, vic ZC219245 at 0400H, eng'd 1 VC attempting to get inside their CP. Res: 1 VC KIA, 2xChicom HG's CIA.
31	0840	198th, TOC, D/1/52 air move: PZ BS735855, LZ Dottie. PZ 0759H, LZ 0835H. Complete 0835H.
32	0844	196th, C/3/21, vic BT103212 at 0815H. c-6 obs 1 male, middle age, evading 100m E of his location, eng'd w/SA fire, res: 1 VC KIA. Dress: black PJ's, age 25 to 30 yrs, neg wpn, ID, or equip.
33	0855	196th, TOC, F/8 Cav, request for 4/31. Time on station: 201000H. Length of time on station: 120 minutes. Mission: support & blocking for D/4/31. Location: AT810190 & AT820176. Freq: initial command 4/31 (56.85) then to D/4/31 (65.90). Call sign: Renegade. Nearest Friendlies: AT809190, Richard & Mellon, A/4/31 Richards, B&C 4/31 Mellon.
34	0945	196th, B/3/21, vic BT072212 at 0715H, obs 1 NVA evading north, eng'd at 100m w/SA fire, res: 1 NVA KIA. Dressed in khaki uniform, 1xAK-47 CIA, SN 10037090 and 2xChicom HG's.
35	0948	196th, C/3/21, vic BT092213 at 0925H, obs 1 MAM evading west, eng'd at 50m, res: 1 VC KIA, no ID or equipment.
36	0950	196th, B/3/21, vic BT088223 at 0900H, was led to rice cache, 1100 lbs unpolished rice, VN female led unit to rice, 171 metal containers on side of main trail, not camouflaged. Inside containers were rice receipts, containers were 3 x 6 x 3 feet, all will be evac to Nui Loc Son.
37	1025	CPT Henderson, Special Forces Liaison: Tien Phuoc , P-138 (421 pers) Rcn, 210500H to 231800H, corners BT0316, 0916, 0912, 0312. Gia Vuc , P-163 (25 pers) Security, 220300H to 261900H, corners BS3124, 3128, 3524, 3528. P-162 (44 pers) Rcn, 200300H to 241900H, corners BS3536, 3539, 3836, 3839. Ha Thanh , P-157 and P-158 closed 181700H. Nong Son , P-7 (57 pers) Combat/Recon, 210700H to 251800H, corners ZC2039, 2034, AT8437, 8434. Ba To , P-136 (44 pers) RIF, 201800H to 241900H, corners BS5433, 5530, 4627, 4531. P-130 closed 181900H.
38	0730	196th, B/2/1, BT008357 at 0720H, made contact w/approx 15 VC, gunships called. Rec'd MG fire from 2 positions. 1 WHA (E), 1 Kit Carson Scout KHA. 0850H, unit maneuvering against suspected enemy position. Found 1xAK-47 and 20xrds M-79. Contact broken at 1025H. WHA was LT. He was wounded in the arm. Kit Carson Scout killed by SA fire.
39	0850	1/1, Thang Binh, from 0130H to 0300H, Thang Binh rec'd mortars and B-40 attack in conjunction with small probe at entrance to Thang Binh. Rec'd 40 rds of 82mm mortar, 10 rds of B-40 rocket. Some landed in city resulting in 14 VN WHA, 2 VN KHA. 7 VC were KIA as a result of ground probe. Breakdown of casualties: 8 PF WHA, 2 ARVN WHA, 4 Civ WHA, 1 PF and 1 RD KHA.
40	0915	196th, move of 4/21 to Ross: A/4/21, 1st PZ 0750H, LZ 0820H. Closed LZ Ross at 0840H. D/4/21, 1st PZ 0831H, last LZ 0905H, closed LZ Ryder at 0913H. B/4/21 complete at 1115H. C/4/21 and HQ, PZ 1030H, LZ 1445H, complete to LZ Baldy.
41	1018	Ref journal entry #17. At 0225H at BT026284, 40 or 50 VC or NVA w/wpns eng'd Refugee Camp with AW and SA fire and HG's, res: 1 civ KHA, 2 civ WHA (E). 7 or 8 huts destroyed. PF eng'd enemy and were in contact for approx 20 min. Enemy wore khaki uniforms, green fatigues and civilian clothes. They were armed with M-16's, SKS, and AK-47's. Neg results. At BT028290, 10 VC or NVA went into hamlet. PF and RF eng'd, res: 1 NVA KIA, wearing khaki shirt and shorts. Captured 3xM-16 mags w/ammo, 2xAK-47 mags w/ammo, 10xChicom HG's, some SKS ammo, 2 homemade HG's. 1 VN civilian WHA (E). Enemy evaded east.
42	1030	DTOC, called all units and informed them that when a man is killed, Div needs all details on how he was killed, e.g. man was killed by mortar fragments while in foxhole on fire base perimeter. Need to know what type of fire, what wpns were used, what man was doing when KHA.

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43	1105	196th, FAC, AT910135 at 1100H, air strike went in on above coord on 20 NVA in open, res: 2 NVA KIA. Another air strike going in. Also 1 NVA KIA by aerial observer. Total of 3 NVA KIA.
44	1125	FSE, AO, ZC125090, saw one truck heading NE, fired arty.
45	1135	196th, A/4/31, AT813178 at 0935H, heard 6-8 rds SA 15m S of their location. Ret'd fire w/neg results, neg casualties.
46	1140	196th, TF Cooksey, request for F/8 Cav for VR mission as soon as mission for 4/31 Inf is completed. Vic AT921138, make recon of area of airstrike this morning. Nearest friendlies at Polar Bear II (AT940215) and AT930183. Elements of 5/46 Inf. Request F/8 Cav come up on TF Cooksey command push and contact Saber 33. Passed to 1/1 at 1150H.
47	1145	196th, TOC, A/2/1, air moved from Ryder to BT091407. Mortar unit of 2/1 moved from Ryder to Ross.
48	1210	196th, R/5/46, AT996265 at 1058H, found 1 hut, 2 khaki uniforms. Also found 5 MAM in black PJ's, 2 had wpns. Started running, eng'd w/SA, res: 1 VC KIA, 3 VCS detained. 1 VC w/wpn got away. 3 VCS detained, sent to LZ Ross.
49	1235	196th, TOC, AT916314 at 1215H, LRRP Tareyton extracted at 1215H. LRRP Lucky Strike inserted 1200H. Do not have coord for insertion yet.
50	1235	1/1, Swift Boats, BT340310 at 1215H, eng'd 2 VN in sampan. 1 WIA, the other got away. WIA crawled into hedgerow. B/3/6 element will check out.
51	1238	TF Cooksey, LRRP Lucky Strike, BT012148 at 1220H, LRRP team in contact w/unk size force, res: 2 KHA, 4 WHA (E). Gunships and Dustoff en route to extract LRRP team. Gunships and Slicks rec'd hvy fire, Slick took some hits, extracted team. Ship flyable. 1 evac to Baldy (not WHA), 3 WHA en route to 2d Surg. 2 KHA to 2d Surg. All operational equip evac, M-60 MG, 2 radios, 3 CAR-15.
52	1305	1/1, B/1/1, BT340310 at 1300H, detained 2 VN, evac to Hawk Hill.
53	1330	196th, D/4/31, AT814173 at 1300H, rec'd sniper fire, res: 1 WHA (E), from SA fire. Ret'd fire, res: 2 VC KIA, 1 unk type wpn CIA, wpn was 1xAK-47 and 1xK-50.
54	1355	198th, 1/52, D/1/52, 1st and 2d plat extracted from Dottie to Buff, completed at 1325H. R/1/52 from Dottie to Chippewa, complete at 1345H.
55	1355	11th, LRRP Viceroy, BS422468 at 1330H extracted, commo lost with LRRP team.
56	1356	1/1, B/1/1, AT334318 at 1345H, detained 1 MAM, evac to Hawk Hill.
57	1400	198th, CPT Lawson, acknowledge receipt of msg AVDF-GC 138 Frag Order 60:68.
58	1414	1st CAG, CAP 114, BT274290 at 0730H, patrol crossing rice paddy, rec'd SA fire from tree line. Ret'd fire, res: 2 USMC WHA. Called Dustoff 201130H. Same unit was crossing rice paddy to their location. They were 700 meters from Thach Tan (2). They rec'd approx 70 rds SA fire. Called arty with neg results.
59	1435	G-3, LTC Baxley, inform TF Cooksey to accomplish max surveillance during next 24 hrs along ridgeline SW of Base Area 116. Do not jeopardize LRRP teams or gunships to accomplish mission.
60	1440	196th, B/5/46, AT946185 at 1107H, captured 3 males and 1 female dressed in black PJ's. The males had 3xK-44, 1xChicom HG, 2xweb belts. Female had some med supplies. Evac to LZ Ross.
61	1445	198th, TOC, at 1255H, 3d plat of A/1/52, PZ Dottie, LZ Gator at 1310H.
62	1545	11th, S-2, BS654502 at 1500H, detained 1 VCS carrying 1 sheet of galvanized roofing. VC was near foot of mountain. No one lived near there. Evac to 52d MI.
63	1555	1/1, C/1/1, BT211231 at 1030H, found approx 5 tons of rice in camp holes in vic above coord. Will evac.
64	1600	1st Mar Div, TOC, at 0730H, airlift extraction of 1/26th Marines started at 0730H, completed at 1225H.
65	1605	1st Mar Div, COL Nichols, request temporary boundary ext to include area bounded from present boundary vic BT096497, SE to BT110470, then W to present boundary vic BT055470. From 220001H July thru 090001H Aug for special landing force opn. Passed to 196th at 1615H. Approved by 196th Bde. Msg sent to 1st Mar Div at 1020H approving AO extension.
66	1605	1/1, acknowledge receipt of Frag Order #0-68, ref 0-56-68.
70	1610	(Note: Journal entries for 67-68-69 do not exist) 11th, Aero Scouts, on recon in Sang Ve Valley, after LRRP extraction at 1500H, rec'd SA fire at BS636452 and at 1515H detained 2 VCS at BS635449. Also detained 1 at BS501138. Evac to LZ Bronco.
71	1620	198th, D/1/52, BS741828 at 0715H, gunships eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
72	1620	198th, D/1/52, BS745825 at 0720H, results of yesterday's contact. Found 3 VC KIA by SA fire.
73	1630	CLDC, alert condition "Green" effective 1800H.
74	1645	196th, C/3/21, BT095213 at 1815H, obs 3 VN evading from hut E of their location, eng'd with M-16 at 50m, res: 3 VC KIA, ages 15 to 18. 2 dressed in black PJ's, 1 in black shorts. 1 had green fatigue jacket. Had no wpns or ID.
75	1703	11th, D/3/1, BS733453 at 1600H, D/3/1 detained 3 VCS, sent to LZ Liz. At 1720H, released 1 VCS as a IC. Sent to MACV compound at Duc Pho for further questioning.

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76	1715	196th, readout on one of the PW's captured by B/5/46. States he obs 1 Co of NVA set up at AT905218, digging foxholes like they were going to stay awhile. He said he saw them again yesterday.
77	1755	196th, LT Wills, at 1755H AO ext approved for 1st Mar Div. Vicinity BT0747, mine field which is unmarked. Bouncing Betty. 4/21 says if the Marines want to see the area to contact 4/21 and they will be glad to show it to them (the mine field) from the air.
78	1810	1/1, F/8 Cav, results of VR mission for 4/31 Inf: 18 acft on station, 18 acft on standby. Time on station: 32 hrs 5 min. Same amount of time on standby. Neg results. BDA mission for TF Cooksey: 5 acft on station and 5 on standby for 6 hrs 40 min. Neg results.
79	1830	11th, S-2, they will send LRRP team back to Chu Lai tomorrow for 3 day stand down. MAJ Schleicher said he had discussed sending team back to Chu Lai for 3 day stand down w/COL Henderson and he approved of it.
80	1815	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT161311 at 1810H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
81	1855	196th, 3/5 ARVN, AT793251 at 1230H, found 18 VN hiding in a tunnel. Also found 3 Chicom MG's, 1 Russian SMG, and 1xK-44 rifle and 1xUS carbine, 2xSCR-69 radios and 1xChicom switchboard. Equip evac to ARVN TF. 18 VN were evac to LZ Ross, 16 were classified as refugees and further evac to Tam Ky. Remaining 2 are VCS and have been evac to LZ Baldy for further interrogation.
82	1950	Tam Ky, TOC, BS025075, Hau Duc taking incoming mortars, 5x60mm. Neg casualties, stopped at 2010H.
83	2015	198th, TOC, BT073053 at 1950H, Ban An II near Hau Duc rec'd 5x60mm mortars with unk results.
84	2015	198th, D/1/46, BT254135 at 2015H, eng'd 5 VC w/carbines and AL-47, res unk. Will check area at first light.
85	0813	(delayed entry) G-3, request continuation of AO ext until 012400H Aug 68. From Americal AO boundary at AT928150, S along Song Tranh to AT958010, then E along 01 grid line to BT0801, then N along 08 grid line to BT080143, then NW to BT074156, then SW to BT055150, then NW to District boundary at AT978178, then NW along boundary to Song Tranh at AT951187, S along river to AT928150. Passed to SF and Tam Ky. Ext approved by PFC Rydell. Approved by SF. Msg sent to III MAF.
86	1205	(delayed entry) G-3, request for AO ext from 21000H to 012400H Aug 68. Area from ZC1515 to AT7911 to ZC1511 to ZC1514. Passed to Tam Ky. Approved by PFC Rydell at 1338H. Msg sent to III MAF.
87	2020	Tien Phuoc, SF, Opn C-140 RF/PF Opn to start 210500H to 231800H. BT0615, BT1315, BT0620, BT1320. Informed 196th by secure radio at 2030H. 196th informed DTOC they wish to have ext go no farther N than the 19 E-W grid line. Reason: 3/21 has troops working in area. Called Tien Phuoc. They say disregard the whole opn, it has been cancelled.
88	2045	Amcal CU, (Eval c-3), agent, at approx 0900H 20 Jul 68, the 307th Bn, 2d NVA Div, with an approx strength of 250, moved from Hiep Duc to Trung Chanh vic BT322013. Mission is to reinforce 409th Bn for attack on Quang Tin Prov HQ, Ly Tin Dist HQ, and US OP's in Ly Tin (D). CO: Le Duc Hong. Uniforms: green. Wpns: 4xB-40 rockets, 3xhvy MG's, 1xAA MG, 2xauto rifles.
89	2155	2d ROK MAR, 5th ROK Co, BT050517 at 2123H, ambush eng'd unk number VC. Res: 7 VC KIA, 2 IWC. (Info only).
90	2200	1st Mar Div, COL Nichols, ref journal entry #65. AO ext requested by 1st Mar Div withdrawn. Passed to 196th at 2205H.
91	2200	III MAF, Duty Officer, G-2, III MAF, cautions all units to be alert tonight. No special alert condition necessary. G-2 feels that I Corps may be hit hard tonight. Not based on anything specific other than last night's activity. 2230H, all Bde TOC's reminded of our previous msg and the above warning.
92	2245	11th, C/1/20, BS835291 at 2240H, ambush eng'd a light moving in eastern direction. Rec'd 8-10 rds SA in return. Neg casualties. Calling arty now.
93	0830	(delayed entry) G-5, SGT Walpole, 1 refugee from Burlington trail taken from BT216071 by B/1/46 Inf to Tam Ky. Makes a total of 175H.
94	2040	196th, B/5/46, AT946185 at 2040H, report from detainee captured 20 Jul 68 at above coord. State that they were on their way to a meeting vic AT944198 or AT948189. In the past after meetings like these they made plans to attack O'Conner. They say that there are MF and Div troops in area. OB comment: vic AT9219 indications of a Regt on 24 Apr vic 912178. Agent report. 1 unk Div. 12 Jun vic AT9219 Agent report. 2d NVA HQ, vic AT9714. Intsum #184, 30 NVA KIA from an unk NVA unit. Fortifications in the area, light to moderate. IR and SLAR images show up as light personnel or equip in area.
95	2240	196th, ref journal entry #94. Additional readout on VCS. One was a hamlet guerrilla leader (32 yrs old). One was asst hamlet guerrilla leader (18 yrs old-female). 2 village guerrillas stated that they saw 50-100 NVA at either AT905218 or AT925194 (the two can't agree). Three of the above had indiv wpns and had HG's. One of the village guerrillas also stated that the NVA are living with the people at one of the above locations. The asst hamlet chief said that the village guerrillas and NVA sent a msg to his hamlet requesting 15 civilian laborers to carry wounded and ammo (no date or location specified). Interrogation can't get unit designations or locations from the VCS.
96	2325	MAG-13, BT455055, 1 unit of VC, V/1H. CO is Bang. Staying at Ky Sanh. Obj: to shell Ong Bo and Ba Bau Bridge and Hill 76 tonight. Rated F-6.

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2	202040	(delayed entry) 196th, B/5/46, AT946185, report from detainee captured 20 Jul 68 at above coord. State that they were on their way to a meeting vic AT944198 or AT948189? In the past after these type meetings, they made plans to attack O'Conner AT934243. They say that there are MF and Div troops in area. OB comment: vic AT9413 indications of a Regt. On 24 Apr vic 912178, agent report 1 unk Div. 12 Jun vic AT9219, agent report 2d NVA HQ, vic AT9714. Intsum #184, 30 NVA KIA from an unk NVA unit. Fortifications in the area light to moderate. IR and SLAR images show up as light personnel or equip in area. Additional readout on VCS: one was a hamlet guerrilla leader (32 yrs old). One was asst hamlet guerrilla leader (18 yrs old-female). 2 village guerrillas stated that they saw 50-100 NVA at either AT905218 or AT925194 (the two can't agree). Three of the above four indiv had wpns, one had a HG. One of the village guerrillas also stated that the NVA are living with the people at one of the above locations. The asst hamlet chief said that the village guerrillas and NVA sent a msg to his hamlet requesting 15 civilian laborers to carry wounded and ammo (no date or location specified). Interrogator can't get unit designations or locations from the VCS.
3	0605	196th, 2/1 OP, vic BT046387 at 202040H, rec'd 8-10 rds SA fire, came from 300 meters 35° azimuth. Returned with M-79, 4.2 mortar, and arty. Firing ceased with unk results.
4	0706	196th, FO 4/3, vic AT948240 at 201930H, obs 3 VC in open, called arty, res: 1 VC KIA, wearing black PJ's.
5	0710	196th, C/3/21, vic BT103215 at 0545H, obs 2 VCS evading 100 meters S of their location, eng'd with SA fire, res: 2 VC KIA. No wpns, ID, or documents, wearing black PJ's, approx 25-30 yrs old.
6	0730	Task Force Cooksey, TOC, request F/8 Cav for 4/31 at 1500H for screening and cover mission from N-S grid line 18 to 84, from E-W grid line 16 to 18. Friendly forces are on LZ Mellon and Richards. 4/31 request to come up on 4/31 command, then go to 4/31 D internal. Changed time to 1330H.
7	0735	198th, D/1/46, vic BT254135 at 202000H, eng'd 5 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
8	0745	198th, D/1/46, request tracker dog team, pick up 0845H at LRRP Pad, reason: want to check blood trail found this morning. Passed to LT Wheeler, will be on LRRP Pad 0845H.
9	0800	39th Engr, B/39, vic BS629856 at 2145H, rec'd 100 to 125 rds of sniper fire, alert condition Red, returned SA fire, neg results.
10	0845	198th, CPT Johnson, vic BT084127 at 0800H, 2 Phantoms put in air strike at above coord, dropping 6xbombs unk size. There was an unk FAC in area. Special Forces called Tien Phuoc, they observed, but knew nothing about it. FAC is checking, IDASC is checking. 198th called back saying that above was misinformation.
11	0844	Minh Long A-1, vic BS458512 at 210700H, Opn P-111 was sweeping thru village at coord BS458512 and eng'd unk size enemy force. Enemy were dressed in OD uniforms and fled west after engagement, res: 1 enemy KIA, 1 Chicom carbine CIA, neg friendly casualties.
12	0845	196th, C/3/21, vic BT083213 at 0825H, obs 1 VC evading N 300m from their location. Eng'd w/M-16, res: 1 VC KIA, 40 to 45 yrs old, wearing black PJ's, neg wpn, ID, or docs.
13	0900	196, B/3/21, vic BT095227 at 0825H, obs 1 MAM evading N, 40m from their location. Eng'd w/SA fire, res: 1 VC KIA, age 25 to 30 yrs, dressed in green fatigue shirt and green shorts, neg wpn or ID.
14	0925	26th Engr, A/26, vic BT121434 at 0845H, spotted M-79 round buried below surface of road 535, destroyed in place, crater 8 in across and 8 in deep.
15	0935	1/1, A/1/1, vic BT280410 at 0920H, detained 7 VCS, sent back to Hawk Hill.
16	0948	196th, D/5/46, vic AT940211 at 0845H, 2 VN came up to unit waving a white cloth, they said they were local guerrillas, then led unit to their wpns. No wpns. Detainees said 2 companies are located at AT908218, 196th will put air strike in that area. Will evac VCS to LZ Ross.
17	0955	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT250402 at 0927H, detained 1 MAM, will evac to Hawk Hill. 1100H, F/8 Cav released detainee.
18	1000	196th, C/3/21, vic BT078215 at 0930H, obs 1 VC evading W, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA. No ID.
19	1030	11th, D/3/1, vic BS833438 at 1015H, detained 2 VC hiding in hut, will evac to Bronco.
20	1040	1/1, vic BT243317 at 1000H, 2 ARVN going N on a motor bike. When a chopper also going N flew too low and hit them from behind. It knocked a speaker and mini gun off of the chopper. The 1/1 HQ went to the place and both ARVN were dead and also picked up the speaker and mini gun. The chopper flew on to Baldy and was followed by the 1/1. This ship is now on its way to Chu Lai, the ship is a Firebird ship. Mini gun SN 2849 HC Ma 7:62 GAV-2B/A. From S-3, 1/1, heard there had been an accident on road. As they went to accident location, spotted helicopter that was missing mini gun. Followed helicopter to Chu Lai, passed to G-5, SP4 Gozzard 1100H, passed to Div Avn and asked to find out the facts and tell CO 123d Avn. Further info: from MAJ Medbury, 1/1 Cav. 2 personnel flying aircraft identified as CWO2 Frank L. Carson and 1LT Gerald William. Helicopter was on its way to LZ Baldy. When they got Baldy discovered mini gun missing. Returned to Chu Lai.
21	1040	Tam Ky, at 1035H, reports the Ky Tra "No Fire Zone" is receiving some mortar fire. Rec'd 15 rds of 60mm mortar, 2 WHA, passed to 198th Bde, LT Blanco.
22	1045	1/1, B/1/1, vic BT180270 at 1025H, tank hit a mine, res: 3 WHA (E), moderate damage, repairable, approx 35 lbs nitro starch, 10' x 12' x 5' crater.

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23	1053	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT185490 at 1050H, obs 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
24	1108	198th, SP4 Hodge, 198th Bde will switch to alt freq at 1200H.
25	1110	26th Engr, A/26, vic BT105418 at 1020H, sweep team found tunnel under road, 6' long running from edge of road to 1/3 of way under road, destroyed tunnel, road passable.
26	1130	11th, A/1/20, vic BS843317 at 1122H, detained 1 VCS, VCS led element to a hootch which is supposed to be a rice storage and pick up point for VC. In nearby hootch, found unk amount of rice under a false floor, rice will be evac.
27	1130	US Special Forces Liaison. Ha Thanh, C-162 closed 181845H. Ba To, P-137 (62 pers) RIF, 221800H to 252400H, corners BS5635, 5833, 6438, 5942. Minh Long, P-144 (w/o Americal, 7 CSF), Rcn, 200700H to 241800H, corners BS5047, 5043, 5443, 5447. P-113 (69 pers) Rcn, 230530H to 271900H, corners BS4450, 4447, 4850, 4847. P-112 (67 pers) Rcn, 230500H to 271930H, corners BS4859, 4856, 5259, 5256.
28	1130	196th, C/3/21, vic BT076212 at 1000H, obs 1 MAM evading west of their location, eng'd w/SA, res: 1 VC KIA. Dressed in black pants & white shirt, no wpn, ID, or docs.
29	1200	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT222446 at 1146H, detained 2 MAM, will evac to Hawk Hill.
30	1215	TF Cooksey, at 1215H, D/2/1, CA from BT035432 to AT805220, complete 0848H.
31	1220	11th, A/3/1, vic BS747554 at 1150H, found 600-700 lbs of rice hidden in a false wall, evac to Bronco.
32	1223	196th, Rcn/4/21, vic BT118457 at 1210H, CP rec'd 5 rds of sniper fire, checked area, found 2 huts, destroyed huts, had no casualties or damage.
33	1235	11th, A/1/20, vic BS843312 at 1211H, found Army 12 gauge shotgun on dried up river bed wrapped in plastic bag, wpn too rusty to read serial number.
34	1238	196th, B/4/3, vic AT908269 at 1220H, obs 1 VC evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 pack CIA, 1 US air mattress CIA, 5 lbs of rice CIA.
35	1320	198th, CAP 123, vic BT666000 at 1310H, made contact with 5 VC, called arty at above coord. Enemy evaded south, now firing 4.2 mortars at BS666999. Unk results at this time..
36	1323	1/1, A/1/1, vic BT2846 at 1133H, detained 5 MAM, moved to Hawk Hill.
37	1323	1/1, A/1/1, vic BT2246 at 1320H, detained 2 females, moved to Hawk Hill.
38	1345	196th, D/5/46, vic AT940201 at 1305H, had 4 VN males and 5 females turn in a K-44, SN B-22634, 1 NVA web belt, 1 NVA canteen cover, 1 ammo pouch, NVA type. All personnel will be detained for questioning.
39	1235	Div Arty AO, at 1100H, eng'd 40 VC moving SE from AT916066 to AT925059 with 175's, res: 4 VC KIA, 3 WIA, passed to 196th Bde.
40	1405	196th, 4/5 ARVN, at 1200H vic AT870239, found ammo bunker. 33xB-40 rocket rds, 30x60mm rds, 550xrds AK-50, 8xboxes of 82mm detonators. Will evac to LZ Baldy.
41	1235	Div Arty, S-2, vic AT915065 at 1100H, obs 10 NVA traveling SE along trail, adjusted B/3/18 Arty. Obs 50 to 60 more NVA in green uniforms, packs, and wpns evading to SE in stream, adjusted B/3/18, rec'd direct hit in group of 40 to 50 NVA. Obs 4 KIA, 3 WIA, est approx 20 probable KIA. Covered area 1,000m to east along stream bed to coord AT927056 w/arty, could not obs any movement after direct hit w/arty other than 3 WIA staggering E along stream bed. Unable to get gunships or air strike, est at least Co size or larger force. At AT939062 obs old hut that had been destroyed, repaired with new roof, possible supply point. This location was destroyed 1 week ago. Also from AT939067 to AT900084 along stream bed is well used trail and infiltration route into rice bowl area. For past week movement has been sighted along this route. Possible base or camp coord AT927059. Company of NVA moving along stream bed between AT915065 & AT927058, were first sighted coming over mountain pass coord AT906077.
42	1400	196th, 4/31, vic AT905213 at 1355H, 1 ship took hvy AW fire from A905213, ship can fly back to Hawk Hill but will not be able to take off.
43	1420	198th, 1/52, CAP 133, at BS66422 at 1306H, spotted 5 VC, eng'd with 4.2 mortar, unk results.
44	1425	1/1, B/1/1, vic BT167287 at 1415H, obs 4 MAM evading, eng'd, res: 4 VC KIA.
45	1430	1/1, A/1/1, vic BT222441 at 1425H, obs 1 MAM evading into bunker, res: 1 VC KIA.
46	1430	11th, A/1/20, vic BS843317 at 1122H, found 900 lbs of unpolished & 400 lbs of polished rice, will evac to LZ Bronco. Ref journal entry #26.
47	1445	1/1, SGT Ayres, at 1300H, 4 acft on station for 4 hrs and 45 min. 3 acft on standby for 3 hrs and 35 min. At 1355H, vic AT901215, acft rec'd intense .50 cal and SA fire. 1 gunship took 2 hits, acft still flyable, but will be grounded at Chu Lai upon return to home station.
48	1445	1/1, A/1/1, BT222441 at 1437, detained 2 females.
49	1500	196th, B/5/46, AT967204 at 1335H, eng'd 2 sleeping NVA, res: 1 NVA KIA. Hit the other on head with rifle butt. Res: 1 NVA CIA, evac to Ross. CIA 2xAL-47, SN's 11067186 & 11079831, 1xChicom HG, 2xNVA canteens. Both in early 20's, dressed in brown khaki uniforms.
50	1500	196th, LT Salazar, coord AT805320, will be called LZ Buck.

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51	1500	198th, Ly Tin, 30 VC located at BT393005 and BT404008. Unit from Quang Ngai. Mission: to attack Ba Bau at unk time.
52	1520	1/1, A/1/1, BT223438 at 1519H, detained 1 MAM, evac to Hawk Hill.
53	1520	CLDC, TOC, effective 180H condition Green.
54	0800	TF Cooksey, 2/1, AT805320, movement of 2/1 Inf and C/6/11 Arty. D Co to AT805220 complete at 0848H. HQ Co complete at 1400H. C/6/11: A Co complete at 1445H, B Co complete 1700H, C Co complete 1815H, E Co complete at 1821H. Complete for the day at 1821H. E Co still has a few lifts tomorrow.
55	1500	198th, Agent report, Ly Tin S-2, 300 VC from 706th Bn are loc BT349135. Have 2x60mm mortars, 1x81mm mortar. Mission is to attack Ly Tra and Ba Bau Bridge between 21-25 July.
56	1710	198th, TOC, Hoi Chanh picked up at Hau Duc is at LZ Bayonet. Hoi Chanh walked in and gave himself to ARVN's. ARVN's called 198th and they picked him up.
57	1800	1/1, A/1/1, BT223435 at 1735H, tank hit mine, 4 WHA (E). Tank sustained moderate damage. Blew crater 10' wide x 6' deep. Approx 50 lbs explosives.
58	1806	G-2 Air, MSG Wales, AT917058 at 1800H, Div AO firing arty on enemy base camp at above coord. Rec'd unk number secondary explosions, caused a fire.
59	1830	1st CAG, CAP 133, 658012 at 1100H, patrol was sniped at by 3 VC. Element swept on position w/neg results. Cont'd patrol and was hit by 7-10 VC w/wpns at 655089. Patrol ret'd fire and called mortars, res: 1 PF WHA. 133 sent reaction force. Ridgeline was mortared and swept. Found 10 VC hiding in a bunker. VC tried to escape but were stopped. Neg ID cards or wpns.
60	1828	1/1, A/1/1, BT223435 at 1815H, 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
61	1830	196th, 4/21, BT086391 at 1817H, obs 1 MAM evading along stream bed, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA. Dressed in black shorts and white shirt. Neg ID or docs.
62	1830	1st CAG, CAP 135, 706867 at 1630H, patrol was moving over ridgeline down a small trail and found 1xM14 mine. Patrol moved to next trail and dug up another M14 mine and 1xM16 mine. Evac mines to compound and destroyed. Area marked by VC with crossed branches and illumination canisters.
63	1855	1/1, A/1/1, BT226434 at 1850H, 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
64	2010	TF Cooksey, 3/5 ARVN, 822240, eng'd 2 VC, res: 2 VC KIA.
65	2130	198th, CAP 138, BS572924 at 2056H, in contact. LP from CAP 138 just outside CAP compound rec'd 1 HG. Ret'd with SA fire and illum. Mortars fired w/neg results. Contact broken at 2110H. NCD.
66	2130	Tam Ky, Tien Phuoc, at 2123H, were informed by Dist Chief that 1 Regt NVA will attack Tam Ky tonight. While they are moving out of Phu Tra Valley. 300 civilians are carrying ammo.
67	1812	198th, CAP 135, 1 NVA Bn moving to BS702948, 708953, 711945. They intend to attack OP Black, LZ Paradise, and Ly Thuy II (695975). They are holding villagers as hostages. Wpns include 1x60mm mortar, 1x81mm mortar, and 4x.30 cal MG's. At 1940H, OB reported no NVA in that area.
68	2028	196th, R/4/21, BT107456 at 1921H, rec'd AW fire, neg casualties. Went into area and detained 2 males, 20-40 yrs old. Will be evac to CP in the morning.
69	2030	Arty AO, at AT924053 at 1715H, obs dug in huts, bunkers under hvy jungle cover. Adjusted 175 fire and rec'd secondary explosion w/fireball approx 50 meters in dia, burned approx 30 min. Also obs 1 secondary explosion 5 min later, appeared to be ammo.
70	2030	G-2, MAG-12, BT494076, Chu Lai Approach reports that for last 5 nights acft approaching from north have rec'd fire from BT494076.
71	2055	198th, TOC, BT239142 at 2055H, LZ Bowman rec'd incoming, 10-12 rds 82mm mortar inside perimeter. No direction. NCD. Fired counter-mortar at BT239119 and BT242115.
72	1635	196th, TOC, AT967204 at 1335H, NVA PW captured by B/5/46 vic 967204 at 1335H: a PFC, 18 yrs old, from 13th Co, 7th Bn, 21st Regt, 2d NVA Div. Has been in South Vietnam 5 months. Plat was in contact yesterday w/US troops. Broke contact and headed E. Were resting this morning when captured. At 2005H, 196th called back and said this PW is from 4th Co, 90th Bn, 3d Regt, 2d NVA Div. They also said that 3rd and 4th Co's of 90th are at AT968197. 1st and 2nd Co's of 90th are at AT980178 and an unk NVA unit vic AT9716. Sky Spots will be put on grids AT979177 and AT975168.
73	1845	198th, S-2, initial info on returnee. Name is Truon Nhanh. Age: 19. Hamlet guerrilla Phuoc Cham #1, Tien Phuoc District. Unit mission: secure hamlet. Once a month 3 men go on sniper mission to shoot ARVN or US soldiers.
74	2030	11th, S-2, request the following 2 LRRP AO's: 1. 4770, 5070, 5067, 4767, insert 230700H SE Ha Thanh to obs where IR's indicate an attack on Quang Ngai may originate from. 2. 7428, 7728, 7725, 7425, insert 230800H SW Bronco to monitor activities of possible Regt size unit that IR's indicate in there.
75	2150	198th, 1/52, BT575985 at 2120H, had some type of WP explosive go off, wounding 7 VN. OP 5 called Dustoff and 1/52 will go in to investigate. Say the explosion was an 81mm rd from the north. No 81mm within range.
76	2240	Tam Ky, 338190, in contact with 2 plats VC. Are calling arty.

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1	0001	Journal Opened
2	0015	Tam Ky, CAP India, vic BT306176 at 2200H, ambush spotted 1 Co of VC passing through killing zone, fired 4 Claymores, 500 rds SA, 4 rds M-70, VC countered attacked, ambush withdrew. Called in 30 rds arty on VC location. Friendly casualties: none. 10 VC KIA (probable).
3	0015	Tam Ky, CAP India, vic BT319178 at 2300H, reaction element ambushed 1 squad of VC guerrillas, fired SA, 1 Claymore, MG, called illum, swept area, 5 VC KIA, 4 VC KIA (probable), 1xAK-47.
4	0720	Tam Ky, vic BT319178 at 1840H, rec'd 5 rds B-40 rockets, 3 civilians WHA.
5	0810	198th, D/1/46, vic BT232143 at 0730H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
6	0810	CPT Henderson, Special Forces Liaison. Tien Phuoc, P-139 (24 pers) Rcn, 211300H to 281800H, corners BT0201, 0211, 1001, 1011. Gia Vuc, P-165 (7 camp personnel, 23 LRRP) Rcn, 200430H to 241700H, corners BS4060, 3567, 4067, 3560. P-164 (30 pers) Rcn, 210500H to 241700H, corners BS3570, 4163, 3866, 4166. Ba To, P-131 and P-134 closed 201800H. Tra Bong, P-111 (63 pers) Atk, 240500H to 281900H, corners BS2389, 2385, 3289, 3285.
7	0826	198th, A/1/46, vic BT197161 at 212045H, A-13 located movement in front of their perimeter, sprung ambush, then returned to LZ Young. Checked at 1st light, located blood trails and food.
8	0840	Special Forces Liaison. Co at Tien Phuoc will be ready for pickup at Tien Phuoc. Co will walk out to FSB East beginning at 1200H. The CIDG people at LZ O'Conner will not be rotated but will request chopper to resupply them tomorrow. Opn will be reduced to 80 men. Excess personnel will return on resupply ship.
9	0840	39th Engr, B/39, vic BS636801 at 0800H, rec'd 3 rds of sniper fire, neg casualties, neg results, cont'd mine sweep. Passed to Quang Ngai CPT Coggershall, unit should contact by radio ARVN unit in area each time they enter the area.
10	0848	198th, 1 plat of D/1/52 extracted from BT450030 to LZ Bayonet, PZ 0715H, LZ 0800H, complete.
11	0855	9th Engr, CSIC, vic BT255295 at 0845H, 3 VN civilians hit mine, 3 civ WHA (E), were on scooter.
12	0900	Div Trans Office, the 39th Engr will have a seven vehicle convoy going from Tam Ky to LZ Young on 24 July. 0902H, Tam Ky notified, SP4 McCord. Reminded of 6th Regt agreement to outpost road & secure mine sweep team. 0905H, 198th Bde notified, LT Blanco.
13	0905	198thm Aero Scouts, 1/52, vic BS739832 at 0900H, located 1 VC evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
14	0910	1/1, D/3/1, vic BS770447 at 0900H, found 1-1/2 tons of rice, will bag and evac to LZ Bronco.
15	0930	TF Cooksey, air movement of R/4/3 & B/3/21. R/4/3: 1st PZ 0659H, LZ 0705H, LZ cold. LZ 0715H, LZ cold, completed. B/3/21: PZ 0838H, LZ 0909H, LZ cold, completed.
16	0930	198th, Aero Scouts, vic BS739782 at 0900H, obs 4x2.75 rocket pods on the ground. No action was taken because they were outside of our AO. Passed to Quang Ngai, CPT Coggershall.
17	0943	Tam Ky, MTT, vic BT306176 at 2206 H, follow up on SR, ref journal entry #76. 212240H, patrol swept contact area of last night. Found AK-47 rds, blood trails, 1 box mine, and drag marks leading to river. Found 1 PF who had been separated during last night. After action he said VC remained at ambush site trying to regroup and take care of casualties. Arty hit direct on area. He said VC were dragging bodies to river. Picked up 2 Chicom HG's, pistol belt, total probable is 20 VC KIA, unit was est Co size.
18	211930	(delayed entry) AO extension request for 198th Bde. Time: 221500H to 242400H. Coords: BT1622, 1626, 1122. Request for 198th, call 196th at 211935H. Call 1/1 Cav, notified 211940H, both by secure radio, 1/1 Cav gave approval for extension 212150H by secure. LT Vosbary 196th approved 212150H. Time change sent to 1/1 Cav & 196th 212310H, approved by CG, FSE notified, 198th informed.
19	201945	(delayed entry) 6th Regt, MAJ Ammon, at 201945H, for Opn QT-366, area as follows: BT230165, 213156, 178220, follow man-made feature to next coord, BT234230. Time: 220400H to 231800H, passed to 198th by secure 202010H. SGT Barsie, 198th called and approved Opn 2022H, approved by CG.
20	212030	(delayed entry) 11th Bde, request the following 2 LRRP AO's: 1.) Upper left coord BS4770, upper right BS5070, lower right BS5067, lower left BS4767 (insert 230700H SE Ha Thanh to obs area where IR's indicate an attack on Quang Ngai may originate from). 2.) Upper left BS7428, upper right BS7728, lower right BS7725, lower left BS7425 (insert 230800H SW Bronco to monitor activities of possible Regt size unit that IR's indicate is there). Request AO extension from Quang Ngai from 230600H to 271800H, AO BS4770, 3070, 5067, 4767. Passed to Special Forces (CPT Henderson) approved by CPT Henderson 221045H, approved by LT Phuoc of Quang Ngai (PFC Seals). Msg sent to III MAF.
21	0655	TF Cooksey, at 221500H, request for F/8 Cav to work with D element of 4/31 for screen & cover. From 15 to 17 E-W grid & from 79-83 N-S grid. All friendlies will be at LZ Richards & LZ Mellon except the D element at vic AT817167.
22	0745	39th Engr, C/39, vic BS717597 at 0635H, rec'd 8-10 rds of sniper fire from BS729599, ret'd fire, cont'd mine sweep. Passed to Quang Ngai, PFC Seals. 2d ARVN Div would like 39th Engr to check in with 3/4 ARVN Inf Advisor when they enter area of sniper fire, call sign Ragged Clater C, freq 35.7. Passed to 39th Engr, SGT Dick 1012H.
23	0900	198th, B/1/52, vic BS645002 at 0858H, rec'd AW wpn fire and possible M-79 fire, gunships called. In contact. 1 WHA (E), Dustoff complete at 0935H. Enemy size force is unk at this time. 0950H, contact broken, checking area at this time.

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24	0925	Div Trans Office status of Mike Force air move from DaNang to LZ Baldy. Completed at 1015H. Total of 2 Companies at LZ Baldy.
25	0950	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT187478 at 0935H, detained 2 MAM, will evac to Hawk Hill.
26	1000	39th Engr, A/39, vic BT177142 at 0830H, spotted VC flag on bamboo pole at BT176142, secured area, destroyed pole, recovered flag.
27	1018	11th, A/1/20, vic BS841309 at 1008H, rec'd sniper fire, res: 1 US WHA (E), Dustoff called, moving to sniper area now.
28	1030	11th, C/3/1, vic BS372392 at 1020H, eng'd unk number VC evading, res: 2 VC KIA. 1 French type carbine SN P13073 CIA, chasing more VC, requesting air strike.
29	1040	198th, TOC, vic BS7483, documents captured off of bodies from contact on 19 July positively identify unit as 48th LF Bn, documents still at LZ Bayonet being read out.
30	1047	196th, TOC, at 0830H, Sniffer mission flown 0830H to 0930H, significant readings at AT924153-AT922146, maximum readings at AT921140-AT920133.
31	1050	196th, C/4/21, vic BT078395 at 1015H, obs 1 MAM dressed in white shorts & black shirt evade into a hole, eng'd with HG, res: 1 VC KIA, neg ID, docs, or wpn.
32	1055	Americal CI, vic BT499059 at 1010H, obs approx 30 personnel moving NE along trail, wearing black PJ's, carrying some type of load.
33	1100	11th, TOC, at 1034H, request tracker dog team, A/1/20 will pick up at LRRP Pad, time 1200H. Reason: area dog team will be working is an area that 11th Bde continues to receive sniper fire from. Want to use team to track sniper. Passed to Tracker Dog Team. Will comply. 11th Bde will pick up team at 1200H at LRRP Pad.
34	1100	196th, B/4/21, vic BT102415 at 1040H, road sweep rec'd sniper fire, PF's are checking area now.
35	1119	11th, CC/1/20, vic BS843313 at 1059H, detained 1 VCS evading, evac to LZ Bronco.
36	1130	198th, CC/1/52, vic BT654003 at 1045H, rec'd 40 rds SA fire at same time CAP 133 rec'd SA fire.
37	1142	11th, B/1/52, vic BT650005 at 1141H, still receiving SA fire. Have found a tunnel, will send a sqd to investigate.
38	1205	196th, LT Robinson, ref journal entry #72, 21 July 68. The NVA PW said that his unit was moving to Phuoc Son Village and planned to cross the river at grid AT997218, then move to the east, the reason for moving east was not known.
39	1209	Task Force Cooksey, D/5/46, vic AT859367 at 1145H, move from Hill 210 to LZ Sooner, 1 play D/5/46 started 1145H, completed 1155H.
40	1030	Quang Tin (P), CPT Trail, Sector S2 Advisor, on 21 Jul, Hoi Chanh who rallied to Hau Duc ARVN element 21 July gave following information: an unk VC/NVA Regt loc vic AT970120. Regt has moved from the Hiep Duc area. 1 Co of unit C-49 (ARVN S-2 says this is code name for Que Son LF) located vic BT025065. Source says the inhabitants in Phuoc Chau area are gathering rice and preparing to move from area because of US operations. (Note: ARVN believe source means that increased VR, air strikes, arty, and others indicate impending US operations there).
41	1220	196th, C/4/3, vic AT906294 at 1048H, found along side of trail 10xM1A anti-personnel mines in clusters of 3's. They were covered w/pieces of poncho, beside each explosive was a coke can filled with explosive, w/pressure type detonating device. Sending in EOD team.
42	1245	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT088344 at 1245H, obs 1 MAM evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA.
43	1307	11th, E/1st Cav, vic BS850324 at 1253, detained 1 VCS evading, evac to LZ Bronco, approx 18 yrs old.
44	1315	1/1, B/1/1, vic BT217456 at 1310H, obs 2 MAM evading, eng'd, res: 2 VC KIA.
45	1330	196th, TOC, at 1330H, ref VR mission for 4/31. The weather is closing in so fast that we don't want the mission flown.
46	1411	196th, Mike Force, vic AT870369 at 1405H, 1 Co (-) of Mike Force completed move to LZ Sooner at 1405H. Rest of Mike Force (1 Co) completed move to LZ O'Conner at 14.5H.
47	1417	11th, B/3/1, vic BS765411 at 1415H, engaged 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
48	1430	196th, further readout of NVA POW, ref journal entry #72, 21 July 1968. He obs in the last 2 days 80 people carrying 1 crate each, 4 rds per crate of 60mm mortars. Also saw 50 people carrying 1 crate each, 4 rds per crate of B-40 rockets. Also said he saw a lot of RR rds. Obs 20x60mm mortar tubes. Saw 12x40 rocket launchers at 1800H 2 days ago. They are heading to LZ Center. He says there is a base camp at Nui Hoac. He has been at LZ Center before. He says within 2-5 days they will be hitting LZ Center.
49	1445	T 198th, 196th, 11th, 1/1, request a list of joint operations which involved 1 platoon or more ARVN troops working with US Forces for period 1-22 July 1968. Request this info by 2000H 22 July 1968. Request info by place, date, type operation.
50	1455	196th, C/3/21, vic BT071208 at 1310H, obs 1 MAM evading west 500m from their location, eng'd with SA. Res: 1 VC KIA, neg wpn, ID, docs, or equip. Dressed in green shirt, black shorts, age 30-35 yrs old.
51	1515	Air Force weather, weather warning for Chu Lai area. Thunderstorms in Chu Lai area, winds NW 15-20 knots, blowing sand & thundershowers, winds gusting to 31 knots, last up till 1900H.

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2	222320	(delayed entry) 11th, vic BS790416 at 2145H, PF's on Bridge 155 rec'd SA fire and 5-6 rds mortar, ret'd with 60mm, arty, illum area, scrambled guns & flare ship fired 7842, 7840, 8042, 8040. Gunships rec'd SA fire. Neg assessment. Everything quiet at 2320H.
3	222330	(delayed entry) 196th, Nuoc Loi Son, vic BT022288, rec'd SA fire from 800 meters. On azimuths of 1200 mills from their location, fired 81mm at suspected grid (BT030290), firing stopped.
4	0015	TF Cooksey, D/5/46, vic AT940211 at 2340H, initial reports that the LZ (Polar Bear II) rec'd some concussion type explosions and has movement in the area. Requested Spooky, gunships on station at 0040H, rec'd 8 to 10 frag grenades at 2340H to 2335H. Have 2 WHA (E), Spooky on station at 0400H. 0242H, reported they rec'd 25 or more HG's. Spooky left at 0235H, all gunships rec'd SA fire. Have a total of 3 WHA (M). All quiet at 0240H.
5	0145	Quang Ngai, vic BS650730 at 230140H, reports they are receiving incoming rds. Quang Ngai radio station is knocked out. Firing arty at present time 230210H.
6	0147	198th, Binh Son, vic BT601922 at 0142H, rec'd 4 satchel charges. Res: 1 RF WHA, contact ceased at 230210H.
7	0200	11th, TOC, vic BS817379 at 0155H, rec'd incoming mortar, Duc Pho S of Bronco perimeter by refugee camp. 2 VN KHA, 4 VN civ WHA. Have flare ships & gunships in the air, everything quiet. Will give you complete report later.
8	0204	198th, CAP 134, vic BT622013 at 0154H, rec'd SA fire into their perimeter, rec'd 50 rds SA fire, ceased 0210H.
9	0205	198th, B/1/52, vic LZ Paradise, BS700975 at 0154H, rec'd AW fire into their perimeter, neg damage or casualties, contact broken 230210H.
10	0230	11th, vic BS725544 at 0100H, Mo Duc rec'd 20 rds 60mm, have NCD at this time. 3/1 4.2 fired illum & HE for them, approx 200 rds in support, resulting in secondary explosion vic BS739544.
11	0230	198th, 1/52, vic BS57139624 at 0220, Bunker 19 at LZ Gator rec'd 2 possible satchel charges, 25m in front, NCD.
12	0615	CLDC, normal defense status effective 0630H.
13	0725	11th, D/3/1, vic BS804476 at 0700H, in conjunction with CA at above coord, gunships eng'd 1 female VC suspect. She was WIA. Was dusted off. Unk at this time if she had wpns or web gear or documents.
14	221840	(delayed entry) HQ CMDT, at 221840H, went on practice Yellow Alert. Alert called off 1903H.
15	1912	D/1/46, 3d platoon, PZ 1645H. LZ 1800H, LZ cold. D3, PZ Bowman 1643H, LZ East 1657H. D2, PZ Bowman 1735H, LZ BT091233 1751H. D1, PZ East 1804H, LZ BT134228 1810H. D4, PZ Bowman 1817H, LZ Hill 479 1826H. E Mortars, PZ Bowman 1827H, LZ Hill 479 at 1838H. 2/C Co, PZ Young 1710H, LZ East 1715H. 3/C Co, PZ Young 1728H, LZ East 1728H. CIDG Co, Hill 479, complete at 1912H.
16	0752	11th, B/1/20, vic BS847324 at 0735H, found 1 dead VC killed by arty, approx 30 yrs old, white shirt & black bottom. Body was drug into a hootch, arty was fired on that loc last night where A/1/20 rec'd some sniper fire, will check area further.
17	0810	11th, LRRP Parliament, vic BS771275 at 0736H, was inserted at BS771275.
18	0815	39th Engr, C/39, vic BS718598 at 0700H, rec'd 3 rds sniper fire from BS728599, ret'd fire, continued sweep, passed to Quang Ngai, CPT Coggershall.
19	0827	11th, R/1/20, unit was extracted from a field location to Minh Long SF Camp.
20	0830	26th Engr, A/26, vic BT108423 at 0750H, found 8 bamboo barricades at above coord. Removed and checked area. Rear mine sweep checking culvert in area of above coord.
21	0835	39th Engr, A/39, vic BT188154 at 0735H, ARVN forward security for mine sweep was ambushed by platoon of VC. ARVN's had 1 WHA, returned fire & cont'd sweep, passed to Quang Ngai, CPT Coggershall.
22	0855	1/1, C/1/1, vic BT230240 at 0742H, ACAV hit a mine. Res: 3 WHA (E), mine left a crater 6x10 feet, ACAV a total loss.
23	0908	196th, C/3/21, vic BT053225 at 0840H, obs 1 MAM evading 175m south of their loc, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, no wpn or ID.
24	0915	1st CAG, CAP 112, vic BT309153 at 0700H, found 1x60mm mortar base plate, made of aluminum, believed to be NVA. Found trail markers made of bamboo along river, destroyed trail markers and returned base plate to camp.
25	0935	196th, CC Rcn/2/1, vic BT015230 at 0900H, rec'd 60 rds of AW fire from 3 different positions. Were flying 200 ft high at a speed of 70 knots. Called in arty, 2/1 is sending in an element to check area.
26	222245	(delayed entry) 198th requests an AO ext, grid BS4281 north along 42 line and east along 81 line to boundary. Time 231200H to 302400H. Passed to PFC Seals, Quang Ngai, at 222250H for approval. Reason for this request is R/1/52 will move into area and interdict traffic on road to Tra Bong. Approved by 2d ARVN, LT Phuoc & LT Danh, 2d ARVN PFC Seals 2345H. Tra Bong approved 1025H, CPT Henderson.
27	0800	11th, LRRP Chesterfield, vic BS505674 at 0735H, LRRP inserted at 0735H,
28	0850	TF Cooksey, D/5/46, vic AT940211 at 0650H, ref journal entry #4, 3 WHA (M) changed to 3 WHA (E).
29	0855	1/1, A/1/1, vic BT155290 at 0822H, rec'd 4 rds of 75mm RR. Res: 3 WHA (M), ret'd fire, res: 3 NVA KIA. 0925H, 1 NVA KIA. 0940H, 1 air strike going in now. 50 cal MG located at BT156289. Total 4 NVA KIA.

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30	0855	196th, D/4/3, vic AT936213 at 0735H, CIA 1 NVA who was wounded lying on the ground, wearing steel helmet, green uniform, and had 6 Chicom HG's, detainee is at the 196th Aid Station at this time.
31	0858	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT156289 at 0825H, rec'd hvy AW fire from above coord, returning fire at this time.
32	0900	196th, TOC, at 0830H Route #1 sweep complete.
33	0910	173d, LNO CPT Mason, the 173d Bde S-3 alerted us to the possibility of a VC Bn, with which they had contact yesterday, moving NW into the Duc Pho AO. 11th Bde notified.
34	0910	173d Abn Bde, AO request for LRRP, time: 231500H to 282400H. Location from BS8722 along grid line 87 to 8724, west along 24 until district boundary, south along boundary to present southern boundary. Passed to SGT Gaylord 11th. 11th approved by SGT Gaylord 0944H, approved by CG. 173d notified 1100H.
35	0930	CPT Henderson USASF. Gia Vuc, P-164 (25 pers) Rcn, 221900H to 271900H, corners BS4524, 4528, 4824, 4828. P-161 closed 211500H. P-160 closed 211900H. Ha Thanh, C-167 (28 pers) S/D, 240730H to 261700H, corners BS2759, 2762, 3054, 3062. C-166 (89 pers) S/D, 240645H to 261700H, corners BS2959, 3159, 3162, 2962. P-160 and P-159 closed 211700H. Tra Bong, P-107 and P-108 closed 211900H. Minh Long, P-115 (51 pers) Rcn, 240500H to 271930H, corners BS5758, 5755, 6155, 6158. P-108 closed 21 July.
36	0935	198th, 1/52, vic BS702936, request for snatch mission BS702936, request Warlords. No friendlies in area. Nearest friendlies at LZ Paradise.
37	1005	11th, A/1/20, vic BS824326 at 0944H, detained 1 VCS, says he will show a company where 3 VC are hiding in a hole, evac to LZ Liz.
38	1006	11th, D/3/1, vic BS805447 at 0945H, found 1 VCS hiding in hole, VCS led them to 2 tunnels at BS802450 where they found 2 female VCS. The VCS are still in the field with Company.
39	1015	Tam Ky, PFC Rydell, Tam Ky got alerted by I Corps HQ to expect enemy activity at their location at 1200H today.
40	1025	196th, C/5/46, vic AT839365 at 0925H, while checking out a village, found the people getting ready to move out, told unit interpreter they were leaving because of the VC, there were 30 VC in their village yesterday, when the VC left they went north and west.
41	1045	11th, LRRP Chesterfield, at 0920H, obs 16 VC moving SE at BS488689, when acct flew over all of them hid. Later at same coord, obs 9 VC w/wpns, packs, and web gear moving NW. 1000H, obs 7 VC w/packs and wpns at BS488689, also heard 1 wpn fire at BS493670.
42	1048	III MAF, National Director of Police Saigon, VC gave the order to subordinate units, they will launch general attack on cities in South Vietnam at 231200H. Regional forces from outside, Sapper and underground from the inside. 196th LT Salazar. 198th SP Berkle. 1/1 SGT Ferguson. 11th SGT Gaylord. Tam Ky LT Hirshal. CLDC SGT Thurston.
43	1050	26th Engr, A/26, vic BT109423 at 1015H, found mine in road, Route 535, at above coord. Plastic type mine, OD in color, 16"x16", no firing device visual, spotted mine visually. Found on south side of road near culvert 9, bamboo stakes as a barrier, they protruded out of the ground 3 to 4 feet high, blown in place, crater 6ft wide, 5 ft deep.
44	1051	196th, C/3/21, vic BT054208 at 1005H, found 2,000 lbs of unpolished rice, 1,000 lbs was found in a rice hootch, 1,000 lbs in a bunker, rice will be evac to Nui Loc Son.
45	1053	196th, 2/1, vic BT055388 at 220500H - 1400H, conducted search of area BT055388 to BT078385, uncovered 3,000 lbs of unpolished rice, 200 lbs salt, 1xM-1 carbine w/magazines (4 mags), 23x105mm fuzes, also 3 VC in a cave, eng'd w/HG, res: 3 VC KIA. For info only, PF will take credit.
46	1104	1/1, C/1/1, vic BT230240 at 0742H, ref journal entry #22, change to read 1 KHA, 2 WHA.
47	1104	Task Force Cooksey, B/5/46, vic AT906365 at 1020H, rec'd around 20 rds of sniper fire from 300-400 meters from their location, neg casualties. Called in arty, sniper appeared to be moving north to northeast.
48	1107	11th, D/3/1, vic BS805446 at 1100H, detained 21 VCS evading, evac to LZ Liz.
49	1118	11th, CC/3/1, vic BS715515 at 1030H, detained 3 VCS evading, 1 had a bad ID card, evac to LZ Liz.
50	1122	1/1, A/1/1, broke contact 1021H, are sweeping area now at 1122H.
51	1132	1/1, vic BT158294 at 1132H, F/8 Cav Inf platoon inserted at help A/1/1.
52	1135	1st CAG, CAP 138, at BS564970 at 230730H, spotted 2 VC evading, eng'd with SA, 1 man limping, dragging one man with him, due to location could not follow, 1 VC KIA probable.
53	1135	26th Engr, A/26, vic BT109423 at 1045H, mine found on Route 535, 50m from BT109423. Far side of road, plastic coated canvas bag with a bamboo firing device. Firing device found lying on top of road. Mine was 16"x16", blown in place leaving crater 7 ft wide, 6 ft deep.
54	1140	1st CAG, CAP 138, at 0800H vic BS568918, rec'd sniper fire, ret'd fire, found blood trail, 1 KIA (probable).
55	1142	1st CAG, CAP 121, vic BT477144 at 231030H, found 2xM26 HG, 1xChicom HG, vic BT472138, looked like they were dropped during the night, destroyed HG's.
56	1155	39th Engr, C/39, vic BS706617 at 0800H, found shrapnel in road for approx 200m, removed shrapnel and cont'd sweep.
57	1155	39th Engr, A/39, vic BT195159 at 0900H, found mine w/bamboo firing device, 10 lbs explosive placed beneath Chicom mine, destroyed in place.

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58	1020	196th, 26th Engr, vic BT070375 at 0840H, road sweep reported all the people at village (Son Duong) vic BT070375 are leaving due to large VC force in the area, 4/21 reports little activity on the roads, VN told road sweep team that there is a large VC force in the area. CO 4/21 at 1010H reported people frightened by signs, saying stay out of the area north of Check Point Echo BT082390, possible sniper fire in that area, few are carrying belongings, don't intend to depart this area.
59	1145	39th Engr, A/39, was informed by police that LZ Young was to be attacked at noon today. Thinks information came from Tam Ky, checking now and will call back, passed to 198th, LT Blanco.
60	1200	1/1, A/1/1, vic BT156290 at 1205H, found 1x75mm Recoilless Rifle, with mount & sight, SN 91935, in good condition.
61	1210	196th, #21, F/6 Cav request. Mission: VR. Time: On station 1700H. Location: BT0020, 0221, 0321, 0422. Nearest friendlies: A/3/21, BT012224, C/3/21 BT056206. Freq: come up on A-Apache initially, then towards end of mission will be working on C-Apache, A/3/21 54.80, C/3/21 60.00. 1/1 received request.
62	1255	Tien Phuoc, a AT916252 at 1230H, Opn C-133 made contact with 1 squad of VC, VC had small arms, res of contact were neg friendly casualties, 2 VC CIA, 1 VC CIA was tax collector, other unk. Also CIA was money, 1 sketch map of the patrol base area & documents of an unk origin.
63	1255	198th, Aero Scouts, vic BS646922 at 1130H, detained 1 VCS, evac to LZ Bayonet.
64	1301	1/1, C/1/1, vic BT239249 at 1205H, VTR hit a mine, moderate damage, 4 WHA (E).
65	1314	196th, 2/1, at 1115H at LZ Ross, 1 VN boy brought in an AK-47 for the VIP, SN 1334460H.
66	1320	Div TOC, 1145-1300H, results of VR mission of Hwy 1, by following units from 231145H to 231300H, 198th, 1/1 Cav, 196th, 11th Bde all had no significant sightings.
67	1230	E/26th Engr, 4/3, vic BT369184 at 1200H, rec'd sniper fire while riding south in 1/4 ton, res: 1 WHA (E).
68	1320	III MAF, III MAF compound on ground alert, tactical 3 condition.
69	1330	Tam Ky, LT Hershel, this is an AO for the PRU operations 20-26 July 68, vic BT3417, 3416, 3615, 3617, For Info.
70	1333	1/1, A/1/1, vic BT157290 at 1325, eng'd 1 NVA evading into spider hole, res: 1 NVA KIA.
71	1342	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT156290 at 1228H, detained 1 female VCS, evac to Hawk Hill.
72	1346	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT158283 at 1340H, obs 3 MAM evading into holes, eng'd, res: 3 NVA KIA.
73	1350	11th, LRRP Chesterfield, LRRP Chesterfield extracted at 1310H from vic BS498685. While observing valley to their SE, the team leader looked to the north and obs 3 VC coming toward their location, 2 dressed in black PJ's, 1 wearing khakis, they also obs what looked like a M-1 rifle. The LRRP element was split into two groups, 1 on the east and 1 on the west of the hill for observation. The elements joined and 4 men moved out to capture VC's, they were observed and opened fire. The VC fell over a large drop, the LRRP team was going to check the area when they were picked up by the Aero Scouts. Res: 3 VC KIA.
74	1352	1/1, A/1/1, vic BT161295 at 1345H, obs 5 MAM evading, eng'd, 5 NVA KIA.
75	1410	196th, C/4/21, vic BT050410 at 1352H, obs 1 MAM evading, eng'd w/SA fire, wounded in leg, neg ID, docs, wpn, equip. Will be evac.
76	1415	1/1, A/1/1, vic BT161295 at 1405H, eng'd 1 NVA evading, res: 1 NVA KIA.
77	1419	1/1, A/1/1, vic BT161295 at 1410H, obs 3 MAM evading, eng'd, res: 3 NVA KIA.
78	1422	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT132372 at 1414H, detained 4 MAM, evac to Hawk Hill.
79	1424	11th, B/3/1, vic BS762444 at 1415H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA, wounded in leg, approx 35 yrs old.
80	1430	198th, ref journal entry #63, detained and evac an IC, he said every 5 days, 5 or 6 VC pass through his village (Bink Ky), some of them have wpns.
81	1433	11th, CC/1/20, vic BS836321 at 1330H, detained 1 VCS. VCS led them to a hole where they found a sewing machine and some clothing. Clothing destroyed, sewing machine and VCS will be evac.
82	1445	11th, D/3/1, vic BS803451 at 1450H, is receiving incoming mortar fire at this time. Arty is being fired. Gunships have been scrambled. 1535H, working towards suspected location. 1555H, rec'd total of 5x60mm rds and 40 to 50 rds AW fire. 1535H, contact broke.
83	1447	1/1, A/1/1, vic BT154287 at 1445H, eng'd 3 NVA w/wpns, evading, res: 3 NVA KIA.
84	1715	196th, CC/5/46, vic AT908364 at 1620H, rec'd ground fire, believe to have come from 1 VC squad, ret'd fire. B/5/46 (16) checked area and found 1xAK-47, SN 10066665, 1xM-16, SN 711076, found neg bodies, 176 Avn Bn gets credit.
85	1715	TF Cooksey, 2/1, at 1500H, CH-47 chopper flying vic of a grounded CC chopper caused blades to turn hitting EM on head. Man evacuated, but not expected to live.
86	1718	2d ROK's, vic BT074561, RF's in contact with est 2 platoons of enemy.
87	1718	2d ROK's, vic BT166548 at 1600H, 3 companies of RF in contact with unk size enemy force.

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88	1727	Tam Ky, 26th Bn, vic BT1815, rec'd mortars & SA fire at this time, ext a Co of VC.
89	1715	198th, from Binh Son Police Chief, vic BS610950 at 1715H, 100 VC commanded by Doan Tron will attack CAP 131 tonight. They have 1x57mm RR, 2x60mm mortars, and complete indiv wpns. The police chief gave an overlay of the plans of the VC to CAP 131.
90	1737	1/1, A/1/1, vic BT155276 at 1020H, bomb damage assessment: 15 bunkers destroyed, 2 NVA KIA.
91	1458	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT155287 at 1450H, obs 2 MAM evading, with web gear & wpns, res: 2 NVA KIA, will try to get wpn.
92	1500	1/1, A/1/1, vic BT154287 at 1455H, eng'd unk number of NVA, res: 11 NVA KIA.
93	1505	6th ARVN Regt, results of Opn QT-336: 6 VC KIA, 18 VCS detained, 2 IWC, 2 ARVN KHA, 6 ARVN WHA, 2x75mm howitzer rds captured. Vic BT2020, villagers in area state that VC are planning attack on 27 July 68. Major Ammons said ARVN are all out of Opn.
94	1510	198th, R/1/52, movement of R/1/52, PZ Chippewa at 1416H, LZ Buff at 1428H.
95	1522	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT185283 at 1508H, eng'd 1 MAM evading, res: 1 NVA KIA.
96	1523	1/1, A/1/1, vic BT154287 at 1510H, eng'd 7 MAM evading, res: 7 NVA KIA.
97	1554	1/1, F/8 Cav, CC vic BT154279 at 1430H, CC ship No P-10000 rec'd AW fire. Is not flyable at this time.
98	1555	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT154279 at 1425H, gunship rec'd AW fire, res: 2 WHA (E).
99	1556	1/1, TOC, at 1556H, request the time be changed to 242400H, 196th notified and they OK'd the change, 1/1 notified, SGT Wilhart.
100	1557	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT154277 at 1520H, Inf plat eng'd 8 NVA, res: 8 NVA KIA.
101	1620	1/1, A/1/1, vic BT154286 at 1615H, eng'd 2 NVA evading, res: 2 NVA KIA.
102	1620	11th, B/1/20, vic BS832331 at 1610H, detained 6 VC, MI interrogated in field, classified VCS, picked up 30 VCS at 1000H, released all but 6.
103	1623	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT155277 at 1620H, eng'd 1 NVA evading, res: 1 NVA KIA.
104	1632	CLDC, condition Green effective 1800H.
105	1635	1/1, at 1635H, est number of wpns, 10xAK-47, 1x.50 or .51 cal MG. Info only.
106	1636	1/1, TOC, ref journal entry #71, woman was IC and turned loose.
107	1645	Tam Ky, Quang Tin sector will change freq at 2400H tonight. New freq will be 68.15.
108	1645	1/1, S-2, vic BT154287, the NVA that have been killed are wearing new green uniforms and NVA pith helmets, 1 notebook has been captured, have neg readout at this time.
109	1645	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT153276 at 1630H, eng'd 5 MAM in spider holes, res: 5 NVA KIA.
110	1645	1/1, A/1/1, vic BT154277 at 1635H, eng'd 4 NVA in spider holes, res: 4 NVA KIA.
111	1800	Div Arty, S-2, vic BT352086 at 1700H, aerial observer rec'd hvy AW fire, approx 100 rds from several positions. Adjusted A/3/18 arty, killed 3 NVA (green & blue uniforms), uncovered 2 large bunkers (20'x20'), destroyed w/arty, also destroyed 2 hootches (camouflaged), partially destroyed 2 others. Evidence of large enemy concentration in area. Observer recommends CA.
112	1455	173d Airborne Bde, at 221610H vic BS895083, convoy of 8 or 9 vehicles ambushed with B-40, 50 cal (possible 40 rds of 81/82mm mortar). Res: 12 US KHA, 2 US WHA, 1 MHA, 1 ARVN KHA. Trucks were a total loss with radios & wpns taken.
113	1155	198th, MAJ Cowling, reaction force: C/1/6, C/1/46, A/1/52.
114	1727	11th, 174th Avn, vic BS7684 at 1510H, VR'd above grid, found 4 males, indiv were gathered around 1 wounded individual. 4 evaded, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA. Moved farther north and found large mass of people within 50m radius of same grid. All evaded, eng'd, res: 1 VC WIA, WIA escaped.
115	1945	1/1, A/1/1, BT155276 at 1020H, ref journal entry#90. Add 5 NVA KIA (C).
116	1815	11th, B/1/20, BS870342 at 1750H, detained 1 VCS, no ID, gave interrogator 3 different ages.
117	1845	III MAF, 2d ROK's, BT041588 at 1103H, CAP 232 and CAP 233 obs 2 plat of VC and 6 NVA, with 6 mortar tubes. Called air strike w/neg results.
118	1845	1/1, TOC, wpns collected from NVA by A/1/1: 4xAK-47's, SN's 17639, 85740, 947240, 10059165. By F/8 Cav: 4xAK-47's SN's 1006930, 100884198, 12056134, 5C991. 1xRPG-2, SN 902993, 6xRPG rds, 300xrds AK-47 ammo, 10xmagazines, 6 sets new web equip, 3 new uniforms.
119	1845	III MAF, MACV LO, BT0656-BT0756 at 1815H, 6 VC companies loc in above grid square. 1 RD and PF patrol had hvy casualties as result of contact in above area. Passed to 196th Bde.
120	1845	III MAF, ROK Marine Bde, G-3, BT062564 at 1200H, obs at least 2 plat or more of VC. No action taken.

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121	1845	III MAF, RD Team, BT085566 at 1330H, obs 2 plat of VC, eng'd w/art, neg results.
122	1845	III MAF, 7th Engr, BT074560 at 1300H, obs 3 plat of VC, eng'd w/art with neg results.
123	1927	11th, B/3/1, BS803451 at 1700H, B Co checked out area where mortar rd came from, detained 8 VCS.
124	1940	196th, S-2, LRRP AO request for Camel, AT8718, AT8916. For Tareyton, ZC2018, AT7915. Both for insertion 25 Jul 68.
125	1740	198th, 39th Engr, BT174135 at 1738H, rec'd 60mm from above coord. Plat of 39th Engr w/ARVN security. 2 ARVN WHA (E). Dustoff 1735H-1747H. Rec'd 8-10 rds. Contact broken at 1742H.
126	1809	1/1, TOC, at 1800H, Trp extracted from BT153278.
127	1900	1/1, A/1/1, BT153275 at 1855H, 1 MAM evading, 1 NVA KIA.
128	1910	196th, A/2/1, AT797307 at 0935H, obs 3 MAM dressed in blk PJ's, unable to obs equip or wpns. Called in 81mm mission, good coverage. Res: 2 VC KIA, neg ID, docs, wpns, or equip.
129	2007	173d Abn Bde, BS845205, recon element of 173d Abn Bde spotted 88 VC w/rucksacks, hvy camouflage, moving SE.
130	2025	196th, A/2/1, BT806291 at 1930H, obs 2 VC in boat. 1 w/pack and 1 w/wpns. 1 dressed in black PJ's and 1 in white shirt and black pants. Called arty, res: 2 VC KIA, boat sunk.
131	0430	(delayed entry) 2d ARVN, Quang Ngai TOC, Opn 1097, 230300H. day. 4 PF Platoons. Infiltration. Call sign: Rice Cutlass Alpha. Radio freq: 48.70. From BS597640 to BS568635. Opn 1101, 230300H, 1 day, 1 PF platoon. Clearing. Call sign: Rice Cutlass Alpha. Radio freq: 48.70. BS6066, 6366, 6364, 6064. Opn Lien Son 2, 230600H, 1 day, 3 PF platoons, 4 RF platoons. Clearing. Call sign: Cutlass Bravo. Radio freq: 48.70. BS570928, 600908, 570892, 563904. Called 198th in regard to last opn. LT Blanco cleared at 230530H. Passed approval to Quang Ngai at 230540H.
132	1000	(delayed entry) 1st Mar Div, TOC, Opn Swift Play, 1st wave set down on LZ Sheppard at 0903H. LZ cold. CA complete at 0905H. All LZ's cold.
133	1940	196th, 4/31, F/8 Cav to work with B element, grid 83-89 N-S, 17-20 E-W. Friendlies on LZ's Richards and Mellon. Come up on Renegade freq initially. Screen and cover. Passed to 1/1 Cav at 2100H. They say little chance due to their contact. (This is a request for 1/1).
134	1400	(delayed entry) 196th, TOC, request LRRP AO ext for LRRP Raleigh, 240700H - 281800H, BT0045, 0345, 0342, 0042. 1st Mar Div disapproved. Passed to 196th Bde. 196th Bde picked new LRRP box using the same box but limited by 1st Mar Div/Americal boundary. (1st Mar Div notified for info).
135	2100	Tien Phuoc, BT104190 at 2030H, a VN boy saw a man come down in a parachute at BT104190.
136	2115	196th, VR ship, AT993221 at 1700H, obs 1 well used trail, recently used. Crosses river at above grid.
137	1930	MAG-13, S-2, SGT Jones, BT3705, present VC mission around Chu Lai is to organize people to gather intelligence and they are workers from air base. Take-home pay is 0.80 cents per day. Mission is to find out how many soldiers of every unit and to take info, drawing map of each unit (air base) and bringing explosives into the air base in areas important to US. Majority are old, but a few are young, including women. 409th VC Bn coming back to Phuoc Khack. Presently located BT3705. Report comes from Nhuin, who works for CA, MAG-13.
138	2200	11th, D/19 Engr, BS886284 at 0830H, found 1 RPG B-40 rocket, approx 500m south of Bridge #104, lying alongside of road. Road was in perfect shape. The VN civ around there said VC were carrying rocket from E to W. When mine sweep team got close VC dropped it and ran.
139	2331	11th, B/3/1, BS761454 at 2215H, eng'd 2 VC, res: 2 VC KIA. Found 1xK-44. At 2225H, B/3/1, BS776446, squad ambush eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
140	2215	198th, PF, BS6694, setting BT's. 1 went off and they requested illum. NCD.
141	2344	2d ROK, spot report, agent who has reported reliably in the past, a VN businessman (Eval: B-2) indicates attacks are scheduled for tonight, 23 Jul, against Hoi An, Hieu Nhon Dist HQ's, Vien Dien (Dien Bam Dist HQ), Duy Xuyen, DaNang City including eastern and western areas of Hoa Vang Dist, Marble Mtn, Hoa Da Village, Hoa Thanh Village, Hoa Vinh Village, Hoa Lac Village, and An Hoi. From 2d CAG, enemy unit: 1st MF Regt, Commander: Gen Thao. 1000 men, well equipped, wearing gray uniforms. Located: AT857547, 844553, 887534, 888536, 873547, 887548, 908547, 907547, 904543, 906652. 5 Regt's around river at 231730H. Mission: to attack Dia Loc Dist HQ on 23-24 Jul (B-2 Rating).
142	0804	(delayed entry) Quang Ngai, SGT Billings, at 0200H Binh Son rec'd 5 rds 82mm mortar, res: 1 WIA. At 0130H Son Tinh rec'd 10 rds 82mm, res: 2 WIA. Supply room hvy damage. At 0130H, Noui Sa, BS633750, rec'd mortar and ground attack, overrun post. Friendly troops pulled back from post and called arty on post. At 0300H took post. 1 PF WIA, 1 RD WIA, 2 civ WIA. 10 VC KIA, 1 carbine CIA. At 222400H, Son Thanh OP, BS692777, rec'd hvy mortar attack. Lost radio contact. Situation unk at this time. Further info: RF Co 421, VC evidently took over position when RF personnel withdrew. Res: 14 KIA, 12 WIA, 2 MHA, 2x.30 cal MG, 2x60mm mortars, 7xBAR, 2xPRC-10 radios. 1 VC KIA. At 222300H, Mo Duc Sub Sector rec'd 50 rds 82mm and 60mm, res: 1 KIA, 2 WIA. At 0200H, Duc Pho rec'd 10 rds 82mm, res: 2 KIA, 7 WIA. At 230130H, PRU plat, BS725685, killed 3 VC, CIA 1 carbine. At 0130H, Quang Ngai rec'd 21 rds 82mm and 7rds M-79 plus satchel charges at radio station, res: 7 WIA. (From 423d RF Co.) 2 KIA, 7 WIA from 2d QM Co, BS603718, rec'd 4 rds 82mm, res: 4 KIA, 9 WIA.

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1	0001	Journal Opened
2	0100	196th, S-2, TOC, vic AT915239 at 0053H, receiving incoming mortar fire at AT915239, 60/82mm mortars. 2 WHA (E), evac urgent. CM fired, arty fired at AT903233, mortar at AT945233, AT938238, 2 wounded were Mike Force.
3	0220	CLDC Sectors 5,6,7,8 vic BT5503 at 240210H. Southern portion of Sector 6 rec'd 10 to 12 mortar rds, Sectors 5, 6, 7, 8 are on Yellow alert. By their own, rec'd 10-12 rds in southern portion, SS VI vic BT557028, 82mm rds, NCD.
4	0240	Quang Ngai, 2d ARVN, vic BS692777, the village of Son Thanh at above coord was overrun & occupied by an unk size force the morning of 23 July. The 421 RF Co had 10 KHA, 10 WHA, 2 MHA. They also lost 1x.30 cal MG, 1x60mm mortar, 2xBAR's, 3xcarabines, 1xPRC-10 radio. PF's attacked and reoccupied the village at 230800H. PF's lost 7 KHA retaking village, enemy res: 33 VC KIA.
5	0250	11th, 3/1, at 0200H, Mo Duc & southern boundary of LZ Dragon rec'd SA fire. 4.2 mortar returned fire and at BS733514, 2 VC KIA.
6	0615	1st CAG, CAP 138, at 0555H vic BS5591, Marines were on patrol and either tripped a booby trap or rec'd incoming HG, res: 4 WHA (E), Dustoff was called and tried to get in and rec'd AW fire. Guns were called for.
7	0616	11th, B/1/20, air move of B/1/20. 1st PZ 0608H, LZ 0617H, LZ cold. 2d lift, PZ 0620H, LZ 0627H, LZ cold. 3d lift, PZ 0632H, LZ 0639H, LZ cold.
8	0635	11th, D/1/20, at 0612H, 1 plat with Mike Boats, PZ 0612H at coord BS925276.
9	0726	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT154277 at 0722H, obs 1 MAM evading, wearing green clothing, eng'd, res: 1 NVA KIA.
10	0635	11th, D/1/20, vic BS920280 at 0621H, detained 1 VCS evading.
11	0636	11th, D/1/20, vic BS931249 at 0621H, engaged 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA, 1x.45 cal pistol, SN 2324435, 1 compass, 1 set of web gear, and 3 sets of JP's CIA.
12	0745	198th, 1/52, vic BT549016 at 0720H, elements were sweeping area around bunkers 19 & 20, found 1 VC KIA. He had 3 Chicom HG's and 3 fin assemblies for RPG.
13	0845	39th Engr, B/39, vic BS633812, bridge and bypass was blown during the night, both are now passable to traffic, the bypass will have one lane open at 1000H.
14	0820	11th, D/1/20, vic BS913203 at 0802H, HHC scout dog handler hit BT, res: 1 dog KIA, 1 US KHA, 1 Kit Carson Scout WHA (E), 1 US WHA (M).
15	0815	39th Engr, vic BS683870 at 0725H, rec'd 6 rds of sniper fire, neg casualties, cont'd mine sweep.
16	0845	Tam Ky, PRU Opn starts 240900H to 250900H, area: BT1018, 0918, 0917, 1017.
17	0857	11th, B/1/20, vic BS907288 at 0842H, found a VC body still warm. MAM died of frag wounds. VN say he is a VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
18	0910	CPT Henderson, USASF. Tien Phuoc, P-141 (41 pers) Rcn, 240400H to 261000H, corners BT0412, 1013, 1008, 0408. C-140 (83 pers with D/1/46) rcn, 221200H to 011800H Aug, corners BT1118, 1618, 1123, 1623. Nong Son, P-8 (54 pers) Cbt Rcn, 251800H to 301700H, corners AT803, 8043, 8938, 8943. Ba To, P-139 (42 pers) Amb, 251800H to 291800H, corners BS5530, 5531, 4628, 4534. P-134 closed 211800H. Tra Bong, P-112 (41 pers) Atk, 250500H to 291900H, corners BS3194, 3189, 3794, 3789. Minh Long, P-111 closed 221800H.
19	0910	11th, D/1/20, vic BS920280 at 0900H, picked up a wounded VC, Dustoff complete at 0910H.
20	0930	198th, Ly Tin S-2 given to 1/6 (C-2 Eval). On 19 July one VC district force, commander: Brich, unit designation is 706th, moved from Ky Thanh to BS392083 and BT393079, mission is to attack An Bau Bridge and mortar Hamlet #4 in Ky Sanh from now until 25 July.
21	0930	198th, National Police gave to 1/6 (C-2 Eval). One VC Main Force Co (409th), commander: Ha Binh, they are hiding at BS483975 and BS473988, mission is to mortar Chu Lai and Ly Tin HQ from now until 30 July.
22	0930	196th, 4/3, vic AT915239 at 0915H, LZ Lurch, 11th Mike Force Co found 5 homemade HG's from last night's contact, destroyed.
23	0920	196th, C/3/21, vic BT051221 at 0825H, while moving up to hootch area obs 10 MAM evading, eng'd 125m south of their location. Eng'd w/SA fire, res: 2 VC KIA, age 30-35, dressed in black PJ's, found 1xM26 HG on one VC. Found a medical case and a crank for TA-312 telephone on other VC, neg wpns or ID.
24	0935	196th, B/2/1, vic AT807299 at 0830H, obs 2 VC evading w/wpns & packs, VC fired 6 rds at B/2/1, ret'd fire w/SA fire, res: 1 VC KIA, dressed in black PJ's, 1 day's supply of cooked rice, web gear, 2/2 ammo pouches, 1 magazine of AL-47 (loaded), 2 Chicom HG's, 1 sewing kit, neg wpn, ID, or docs. Other VC fled NW. Equipment will be evac.
25	0935	198th, FAC, 1/52, vic BS633812 at 232230H, bridge was blown by VC, bypass impassable, FAC observed bridge this morning, 0930H. Bypass opened to one way traffic.
26	0935	198th, D/1/46, vic BT133221 at 0840H, 1 US WHA (E), stepped on concussion type mine, called Dustoff, complete 0915H.
27	0940	39th Engr, C/39, vic BS721580 at 0810H, BT on shoulder of road, attached to 105mm rd. Blew in place. Continued mine sweep.

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28	1010	26th Engr, A/26, vic BT089406 at 0950H, road sweep team found mine on Hwy 535. Mine was 20m north of road. Plastic OD in color, 12" x 12". No firing device, blown in place. 6'x4' crater.
29	1011	1/1, TOC, at 1011H, VR mission for 4/31, will not be able to perform mission because of weather.
30	1016	11th, A/3/1, vic BS730513 at 1000H, detained 3 VCS, 2 had ID, 1 had bad ID, evac to LZ Liz.
31	1025	196th, Arty 4/3, vic AT929252 at 1006H, obs 1 MAM going toward a hootch, fired arty, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 hootch destroyed.
32	1025	196th, A/3/21, vic AT994225 at 0845H, obs 2 VN coming out of hootch, 1 started evading to the west, eng'd w/SA fire at 75m, res: 1 VC KIA. Dressed in green shorts, black shirt, had on web gear, age 25, no wpn or ID. Other VN male, age 60, dressed in black PJ's was detained, he stated that 7 days ago 20 VC came to his village and picked up rice and took it to an unk location. Also stated that 10 days ago he spotted 300-400 VC w/wpns going west, will be evac to LZ Baldy.
33	1027	1/1, TOC, at 1011H, air strike at BT156274 completed at 1025H. No estimate of damage at this time.
34	1027	11th, D/1/20, vic BS909200 at 0955H, detained 1 VCS 40 yrs old, and 2 females, no ID, were evac to LZ Bronco.
35	1030	196th, A/26 Engr, vic BT089406 at 0950H, found a bamboo barricade across road, 20 meters away, found on north side of road, a plastic mine OD in color, 12" x 12", was spotted visually, blown in place, left a crater 6' long, 4' deep. Road will be repaved, barricade was destroyed.
36	1036	196th, B/4/31, movement of B/4/31 from LZ Mellon to LZ Richards, complete 1100H.
37	1040	11th, B/1/20, vic BS910290 at 1025H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA, 1x.45 cal pistol CIA, SN 1914738.
38	1045	198th, D/1/46, vic BT133216 at 0330H, had a detainee and were moving location because they ran into a bee hive. While they were moving and fighting off bees, prisoner escaped.
39	1054	11th, B/3/1, vic BS733462 at 1035H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA, has a minor wound, will evac to LZ Liz.
40	1110	D/1/20, vic BS920196 at 1035H, found 600 lbs polished rice in 3x100 lb bags and the rest in sandbags in a hootch. Also 2 empty M-16 magazines and several uniforms. Uniforms were US jungle fatigues, will evac rice.
41	1114	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT147365 at 0930H, detained 1 MAM, evac to Hawk Hill.
42	1127	11th, B/1/20, vic BS910290 at 1115H, eng'd 2 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 VC CIA, evac to LZ Bronco.
43	1130	1/1, TOC, vic BT160285 at 1127H, Inf platoon inserted.
44	1151	11th, Aero Scouts, 3/1, vic BS789493 at 1130H, detained 3 MAM evading, will evac to LZ Liz.
45	1154	11th, B/3/1, vic BS737439 at 1130H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA, approx 25 yrs old.
46	1154	11th, B/3/1, vic BS737434 at 1135H, detained 3 VCS, evac to LZ Liz.
47	1217	1/1, A/1/1, vic BT159281 at 1215H, found 1 NVA in shallow grave, res: 1 NVA KIA.
48	1215	196th, B/2/1, vic AT825316 at 1135H, saw 1 MAM hiding. Unit started to check out area, MAM started to run, eng'd w/SA fire, res: 1 NVA KIA, age 20, dressed in green camouflaged fatigues, had web equip, 1xAK-47, SN 100555, with a lot of ammo.
49	1045	198th, last night a 16 yr old Chieu Hoi turned himself in to Ly Tin. He says he was working with V-14 Co which is attached to 706th Bn. V-14 is hiding at BT287089 and the 706th Bn is at BT283081, BT483011, and BT407027. He also mentioned 3 other NVA Companies. He says there is a rice cache at BT287089. His personal wpn is hidden at BT325082, which is an AK-47, says there is a possible wpns cache at BT2208, 2210, 2508, 2510.
50	0200	198th, TOC, at 0200H vic BT549016, receiving mortar & SA fire. 0300H, claim 40 rds of 60mm with 1 KHA, 10 WHA. 0500H, further report stated they also had 1 RPG that hit bunker. Revised figures are now 1 KHA, 9 WHA (E), 14 WHA (M).
51	1120	196th, A/2/1, vic AT807229 at 1028H, found a base camp. In the area they found: 2xhomemade packs, 3xpairs of NVA boots, 1xspear w/wooden handle, 1xspear w/metal handle, medical supplies, documents, 2xNVA gas masks (incomplete), 1xNVA gas mask (complete), 1xUS canteen & cover, 1xNVA poncho, 7xgreen uniforms, 2xcigarette lighters, 200 Dong notes, 1xlight fish net.
52	1123	2d ROK, CPT Dewey, vic BT109580, arty Bn attacked by 2 plat VC, tried to hit perimeter. Res: 19 VC KIA, 26 VC KIA (probable), 11xAK-47 CIA, 3xRPG-7 CIA, 12xbangalore CIA. 0600H, small contact vic BT114610 w/unk number VC spotted from Service Co perimeter, eng'd w/SA, neg results.
53	1223	CLDC, MAG-13, res of mortar attack on MAG-13 last night. They rec'd 20 rds of mortar fire. Res: 1 WHA (M), 1 bldg damaged (minor), 1 utility tent damaged (minor).
54	1230	198th, 1/46, vic BT133235 at 1830H, ref spot report #64, 22 July, change from 1 VC KIA to 2 VC KIA.
55	1240	196th, F/17 Cav, vic BT140433 at 1210H, obs 2 VC, eng'd w/SA fire, res: 2 VC KIA. 6xM26 HG's CIA, 1xbayonet CIA, 1xdairy, some papers.
56	1305	198th, TOC, request AO ext continuation, from 242400H to 272400H, area north of FSB East. Passed to 196th, LT Salazar at 1304H. Approved by LT Salazar 1326H, 1/1 SGT Deloach 1304H.

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57	1326	11th, B/3/1, vic BS733462 at 1035H, detained 4 VCS hiding in a hootch, evac to LZ Liz.
58	231217	(delayed entry) 11th, request permission for Aero Scouts to work flat ground south of Song Tra Khuc River east to grid line 58 N-S north of mountains, like a recon and possible snatch. A general operation in this area (as far south as 69 grid line) western limit is the west boundary of the Ha Thanh AO. Change to request as sent to Quang Ngai from Song Tra Khuc at BS456710, E along 71 grid line to 56 N-S grid line, N to river at BS560758, WSW along river to BS456710. Period from 240600H to 262400H. Passed to Quang Ngai, PFC Lopez, cleared at 232154H, PFC Seals. CPT Green, LT Phuoc, approved by CG, passed to 11th Bde, msg sent to III MAF.
59	231400	(delayed entry) AO request from 251200H July to 011200H Aug, vic BS6857, 6860, 5960, 5949, 6049, we have no intel of this area, AO request is to obtain intel. Sent to Quang Ngai 1435H to PFC Lopez, SF cleared their portion of AO request. Cleared at 232154H, PFC Seal, CPT Green, LT Phuoc, 11th Bde informed. Msg sent to III MAF.
60	232300	(delayed entry) 11th, request following AO for LRRP team, BS4567, BS4564, BS4867, BS4864 from 240800H to 261800H, passed to Quang Ngai SFC Billings 232300H. Cleared by SF Ha Thanh SGT Aycock 232317H, cleared by Quang Ngai SFC Billings 240040H, approved by G-2 & CG, passed to 11th. Msg sent to III MAF.
61	1130	Americal MID CI (CI Eval C-3). The 409th Bn, commanded by Duoc, consisting of approx 300 men, moved from Ky Tra to locate at coords BT351022 and BT357021. They are dressed in olive green uniforms. They are armed with 2x82mm mortars, 4x60mm mortars, 2x57mm RR, 3xunk cal MG's, 4xB-40 and 1xPRC-10 radio. They intend to mortar Chu Lai and other US outposts in Ly Tin District from 24 to 27 July.
62	1230	Americal CI (CI Eval F-3). At approx 1400H 23 Jul, the 409th Bn, with a strength of 300, moved to vic BT351021 & BT356021. Mission is to mortar & rocket Chu Lai Base and outposts in the area of Chu Lai Base during period 24-27 Jul. CO: Duoc, wpns: 2x82mm & 4x60mm mortars, 2x57mm RR, 4xB-40 rockets, 2xunk type rocket launchers, 2x.30 cal MG's, 1xPRC-10 radio.
63	1330	196th, request tracker dog team, 4/3 wants team tomorrow, LRRP Pad pickup 25-28 July. Called dog team, request approved, CC/4/3 will pick up at LRRP Pad 0600H 25 Jul.
64	1333	39th Engr, A/39, vic BT226171 at 1130H, found mine w/bamboo firing device, removed and destroyed.
65	1403	1/1, C/1/1, vic BT131322 at 1400H, detained 2 VCS with no ID, will evac to Hawk Hill.
66	1419	196th, D/4/31, vic AT802191 at 1200H, found a base camp large enough for a company. Had chickens & livestock still in area. 13 hootches with bunkers, some trench lines, found 6 empty AK-47 magazines, 1 VC pistol belt, 1 bolt for AK-44, 1 hootch with classroom that would hold 60 people, 1 hootch appeared to be hospital, all destroyed.
67	1434	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT153276 at 1425H, obs 1 MAM in green uniform evading, res: 1 NVA KIA.
68	1435	11th, B/3/1, vic BS723462 at 1415H, eng'd several VC evading, res: 2 VC KIA, 1 US WHA (E).
69	1445	196th, A/5/46, vic BS488338 at 1400H, A/5/46 found in tunnel 12'x3'x3', 1xNVA gas mask, 1xcanteen, 4xboxes AK-47 ammo (1200 rds), 9xB-40 rockets, 4xboxes .30 cal ammo (2,000 rds). Evac ammo, tunnel destroyed.
70	1455	196th, C/4/21, vic BT048383 at 1443H, obs 1 VC evading. US eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, approx 30-35 yrs old, neg clothes, ID, docs, wpn, or equipment.
71	1500	198th, D/1/46, vic BT095230 at 1435H, D Co had 1 WHA (E), Dustoff for powder burns in his eyes. Dustoff called at 1435H, complete at 1440H, neg hostile action. Res: 1 NBW.
72	1510	1/1, C/1/1, vic BT114319 at 1455H, had 1 VC evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA.
73	1516	39th Engr, C/39, vic BS719592 at 1400H, explosion on west side of road left crater 6x3 feet, suspected 155 rd bobby trapped, neg casualties, road repaired.
74	1538	196th, A/2/1, vic AT811294 at 1450H, found inside a hut: 1 homemade pack, inside pack found 6x.30 cal rds, 1 cigarette lighter, some medical supplies, some documents, 1xBA-30 battery, 3 pair black PJ's, 1 homemade gas mask. Documents and medical supplies will be evac, the rest will be destroyed.
75	1554	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT143323 at 1550H, detained 1 female, evac to Hawk Hill.
76	1554	1/1, B/1/1, vic BT205459 at 1545H, detained 2 MAM, evac to Hawk Hill.
77	1606	CLDC, condition Green effective 1800H.
78	1625	196th, B/2/1, 825316 at 1459H, found what appeared to be a base camp. Eight 1-man foxholes uncompleted, Small timbers which seemed to have been cut for huts. Camp 3-4 days old, large enough for 1 squad.
79	1755	196th, B/2/1, BT826316 at 1650H, found 5 fighting holes in area, 1-1/2' x 2' x 5'. One was 6' deep, also found 2 huts in area. 1 was made out of sticks, 1 was made with hvy boards with 5' x 3' beams. It appears to be a training area due to the fact that the holes appear to be in a position for demonstration only. Found area of punji stakes which appeared to be for demonstration only. Found a small game trap, snare type. Found a bow in the large hut. All destroyed.
80	1835	A/39 Engr, BT232174 at 1615H, VN detonated mine. Crater 8' x 4', est charge 40-50 lbs. 1 VN KHA. Crater will be filled on next mine sweep.
81	1840	196th, CC/4/21, BT101466 at 1654H, obs 1 VC dressed in blk PJ's, had ID. Eng'd with M-16, 30 yrs old, res: 1 VC KIA.

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82	1725	11th, B/3/1, BS723462, followed 1 VC to a tunnel. Sent a man into tunnel. Heard AW fire in tunnel. Put CS in the cave and used flame thrower. Have been digging for some time now and have 3 VC KIA and 1xM-16 CIA, but still have not found the US who went into tunnel, are still digging. Found several satchel charges. Man in tunnel was KHA. 1 US KHA, had burns on his body.
83	1833	196th, CC/4/21, BT017387 at 1727H, obs 1 man dressed in blue trousers and black shirt, eng'd, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA, 1x9mm pistol CIA, SN 16621945. He said he is with Que Son MF unit.
84	1930	196th, B/4/31, AT881191 at 1835H, obs 4 VC in black PJ's w/packs. They went into hut. Called arty, 3 men ran out of hut. 1 rd hit near them, killing 1 VC. 1 rd hit hut. Res: 1 secondary explosion and black smoke about 100 ft high, Res: 1 VC KIA.
85	1935	11th, 174th Avn (3/1), BS636445 at 1905H, obs 3 sampans with VN people. Appeared to be dressed in green uniforms, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, sampan partially destroyed. The other people in sampans evaded into tunnel.
86	2015	196th, 4/21 Rcn, BT092460 at 1927H, rec'd 30 rds AW fire from east. Eng'd 2 VC, res: 2 VC KIA. 1 dressed in black PJ's, 1 dressed in white PJ's.
87	1845	198th, National Police, Ly Tin, 1 plat from V-14 Co is located BT365155. Their mission is to attack Ba Bau Bridge from 24-30 Jul 68.
88	1845	198th, Ly Tin, 1 District Force (C-16) located BT401068 and BT405063. Mission to mortar Hill 76 and attack Ky Sanh PF.
89	2055	III MAF, ITOC, AT879575, rec'd 20 rds 82mm, res: 10 US WHA (E).
90	2055	III MAF, 3/7 Marines, AT916587 at 2010H, rec'd 17 rds 82mm, neg casualties.
91	2105	196th, LZ Lurch, A/3/18, AT915239 at 2052H, rec'd what is believed to be 4-6 B-40 rocket rds. Neg casualties.
92	2125	196th, C/4/21, BT060402 at 2045H, ambush had 1 VC, dressed in black PJ's walked into ambush. Eng'd w/SA and Claymores, res: 1 VC KIA.
93	2125	196th, 4/3, AT940211 at 2052H, Hill 210 (Polar Bear II) rec'd 10 HG's outside perimeter and 2x60mm mortar rds inside perimeter. Neg casualties.
94	2135	196th, OP 2/1, BT045373 at 2108H, trip flare went off and perimeter fired SA and M-79 and rec'd AW fire and SA fire. Neg casualties. Illum fired.
95	2155	III MAF, FLC, at 1920H, rec'd 5 rds 122mm rockets, res: 1 KHA, 7 WHA (E), 9 WHA (M).
96	2215	MAG-13, Civ action, BT510030, agent report at 2205H: 30 VC reported at Tich Ta To Long Thu #1. Have moved to Long Thu #2. 196th, 3/18 will be mortared tonight, possibly 198th and 9th Engr also. Tam Ky also. The VC have 8x122mm rockets. It is unlikely that MAG-13 will be hit.
97	1738	11th, Aero Scouts, BS812454 at 1400H, while making recon, 5 VC bodies were observed. Appeared to have been burned as a res of last night's action from either arty of gunships. Res: 5 VC KIA. Based on intel and observation report: There were people on the beach sending signals to boats. Sent out gunship and fired arty.
98	1759	2d ROK, TOC, ROK total: 32 VC/NVA KIA, 6 POW, 16 IWC, 6 CSWC RPG-2, 2,000 rds ammo, 11 HG's, 12 bandoliers. 2 Companies of VC or NVA hit their area between 0345H and 0600H, Ref journal entry #52.
99	1835	A/39 ARVN, BT180154 at 1634H, ARVN opns west of LZ Young made contact w/est plat of VC. Mission: to harass A/39. Broke contact and covered area w/mortar fire.
100	2248	1st CAG, CAG 12, BT465088 at 2230H, rec'd report from PF. VC to hit this position tonight (250100H) at above grid. Arty firing now. Also firing on BT469086, BT459072, BT468081. Latter coord is NOT being fired on. It is friendly location.
101	2310	III MAF, FLC, at 2210H, rec'd 2 rds of 122mm rocket, neg casualties.
102	2345	11th, 174th Avn, BS724454 at 1415H (delayed entry). Ret'd fire, res: 1 WHA (M) (174th).
103	2358	TF Cooksey, D/5/46 Inf, AT940211 at 2350H, rec'd 3-6 rds believed to be 82mm. Neg damage or casualties.
104	2400	Opns Summary: Light contact was reported in the Americal AO as Div units cont'd combat opns in zone. In Opn Pocahontas Forest, B/4/31 was air moved from LZ Mellon to LZ Richards at 1100H. TF Cooksey and the ARVN Task Force cont'd the cordon opn. In the Duc Pho AO, B/1/20 Inf, CA to vic BS904296 at 0639H. R/1/20 was air moved from the Minh Long SF Camp to BS568689 at 0815H to conduct opns with the 4th ARVN Regt.
105	2400	Americal Division Totals: 3 KHA, 15 WHA (E), 17 WHA (M). 32 VC KIA, 4 NVA KIA, 5 IWC.
106	2400	Journal Closed.

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2	241700	(delayed entry) Amcal CI, CI Eval C-3, One VC MF Co (designation unk) with strength of 100, moved to Dam Son Mountain, Ky Thanh (V) vic BT395073, at approx 1600H, 23 Jul 68. Mission is to attack RDC Camps in Ly Tin (D) and harass US bases in the area during period 24-28 Jul 68. CO: Do The Chap. Wpns: 2x60mm & 1x81mm mortar, 3xBAR, 2x.30 cal MG's, uniforms: black/rubber sandals.
3	240040	(delayed entry) 196th, A/2/1, vic AT807292, read out on documents captured by the above unit. It says the people at Thon Ha Hamlet, vic AT9819, sold rice to the 19th Co, 21st Regt, on 4 Apr 1968.
4	242155	(delayed entry) 198th, 1/46 at 242145H, incoming rockets at Tam Ky. Report that FSB Young spotted two locations where they saw fire trails. At BT305142 and BT325142. Checked with Tam Ky, neg rocket impact.
5	0015	196th, Polar Bear II, vic AT940211 at 2350H, rec'd 3x82mm mortars, firing counter-mortar.
6	0040	1st CAG, CAP 136, vic BS576945 at 242250H, patrol enroute to ambush, VC ambushed patrol, 1 HG, 100 rds carb, res: 1 WHA (E), returned fire with neg results.
7	0045	11th, A/3/1, vic BS731528 at 0035H, NE sector of perimeter at LZ Dragon rec'd 10-12 HG's or M-79 rds, ret'd fire with 4.2 mortar & 81mm, and SA. NDC.
8	0410	198th, D/1/46, vic BT131244 at 0404H, rec'd 2x60mm mortar rds, NCD.
9	0725	196th, 4/21, request for AO ext vic BT080387, East to BT103385, NE to BT154000, East to BT130400, NE to P/B. From 260600H to 290600H, for recon of area for possible enemy positions.
10	0802	1/1, F/8 Cav Inf inserted at 0800H vic BT097403.
11	0807	CIDG, CA, vic BS299067, complete at 0807H.
12	0825	39th Engr, C/39, vic BS717597 at 0650H, rec'd 5 rds sniper fire from BS729598, ret'd AW & SA fire, continued mine sweep.
13	0830	6th ARVN Regt, Senior Advisor, S-2 has rec'd reports of VC concentrations at the following grids. From BT125067 to BT135076, 1500 VC. From BT215053 to BT221047, 1000 VC. MAJ Ammons has already informed the 1/46 Inf. Passed to 198th SGT Yurick, passed to FSE MSG Wage. This came from ARVN S-2 who got it from an agent who in turn got it from civilians from that area.
14	0848	Ha Thanh, A-1, vic BS289606 at 0835H, Opn C-166 drew sniper at vic BS289600. Enemy using small arms. Results were neg friendly casualties, 1 VC KIA, 1xAK-47 CIA.
15	0915	CPT Henderson USASF. Tien Phuoc, P-138, closed 231800H. Gia Vuc, P-165 (44 pers) Rcn, 250300H to 291900H, corners BS3536, 3539, 3836, 3939. Minh Long, P-117 (64 pers) Rcn, 270430H to 011930H, corners BS4458, 4455, 4855, 4858. P-116 (50 pers) Amb, 270530H to 311930H, corners BS5547, 5544, 5944, 5947. P-114, closed 230830H. P-110, closed 240900H.
16	0922	1/1, F-8 Cav, vic BT096403 at 0912H, eng'd 2 VC evading, res 2 VC KIA, 1xM-16 SN 570881, 1xAK-47 SN 215205 CIA.
17	0924	11th, B/3/1, vic BS737455 at 0800H, found 2,500 lbs of rice in plastic bags, in a garden, will evac to LZ Bronco.
18	0943	198th, C/1/6, vic BT410020, were going into LZ, rec'd some rds of SA, movement of C/1/6 complete at 0954H.
19	0950	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT096403 at 0948H, obs 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA, neg wpn, 1 US WHA (M).
20	0950	39th Engr, vic BS620877 at 0800H, detonated mine in road, buried with 1 lb TNT, trip wire/pull release device. Blown in place.
21	1005	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT094403 at 0953H, detained 4 VCS.
22	1030	Tam Ky, TOC, vic BT235488 at 0917H, a Quang Nam FAC #52 obs 300 VC in open at grid BT235488, requested clearance for immediate air strike, passed to FSE for clearance, cleared for air strike.
23	1033	1/1, TOC, vic BT095400 at 1030H, Infantry extracted.
24	1044	196th, B/2/1, vic AT827314 at 0737H, rec'd 10 rds of sniper fire, returned fire, neg res. Moved forward and checked area, found 2 bunkers, inside bunker found small bag of rice, rice and bunkers destroyed.
25	1047	11th, D/3/1, vic BS747474 at 1040H, eng'd 2 VC evading, res: 2 VC KIA.
26	1055	198th, B/1/52, vic BS699969 at 1045H, rec'd 25 rds of sniper fire, returned fire calling in arty, acft in same area rec'd 40 rds of AW fire, neg hits.
27	1030	Ha Thanh, A-1, vic BS289606 at 240940H, Opn C-166 drew sniper fire from vic BS289606. Enemy using SA, res were neg friendly cas, 1 enemy KIA, 1xM-1 carbine, 2xChicom grenades, 1 medical kit with surgical set, 1 rucksack & documents CIA. Documents indicate KIA was part of 13 man team from B-7. Documents & medical supplies will be picked up by S-3 from C-1, other equip will be returned to this loc, distance of contact was .05 meters.
28	1050	196th, C/3/21, vic BT046237 at 0830H, found a hootch with a false floor. Underneath found in a small hole: 300 lbs of unpolished rice, 45 penicillin tablets, 10 packs of headache medicine, 2 packs of diarrhea medicine, 5 pain pills, 15 bottles of unk type medicine, 12 new face towels, 8 gallons of rice wine, 4 gallons of peanut oil, all was destroyed, also relocated 8 VN to Nui Loc Son.

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29	1058	11th, C/3/1, vic Gia Vuc to Bronco, air move completed at 1058H.
30	1100	11th, TOC, air movement of B/1/20 complete at 1040H.
31	1110	196th, C/3/21, vic BT047235 at 0900H, obs 1 NVA evading east at 50 meters, eng'd with SA, res: 1 NVA KIA, dressed in green uniform, pistol belt, 2 ammo pouches, 1 M26 HG, 1 US canteen cover, 1 hammock, 1 pair sandals, approx age 20 yrs. No documents or wpn. Obs 1 VC at 50 meters evading E at 100 meters, eng'd with SA, res: 1 VC KIA, dressed in black PJ's, approx age 30-35 yrs, no wpn, ID, or equip.
32	1114	1/1, C/1/1, vic BT262284 at 1056H, tank hit mine, blew off 3 road wheel and broke track. 2 WHA (M).
33	1125	11th, B/3/1, vic BS723462 at 1415H, ref journal entry #68 241435H July, change to read 1 US WHA (E) only, report was 2 VC KIA & 1 US WHA (E).
34	1130	196th, D/4/3, vic AT942201 at 1030H, found in hootch 20-25 sandbags filled with unpolished rice, destroyed.
35	1121	1/1, C/1/1, vic BT262284 at 1115H, tank detonated mine. Tank was pulling up around other tank. Tank hit offset detonating mine. Tank had neg damage or casualties. They are saying that the road will be open in 20 minutes. Road needs to be re-cleared, res: 5 KHA (all bystanders), 1 KHA USMC, 2 KHA from 2/1, 2 KHA from 3/16 Arty.
36	1130	196th, CC/4/21, vic BT045314 at 0910H, rec'd 30-50 rds AW fire, ret'd fire w/M-60, gunships called, gunships obs 8-10 dug-in positions, 6-7 VCS, expended load w/unk results.
37	1130	196th, C/3/21, vic BT049234 at 1030H, obs 1 VCS evading north at 300 meters, eng'd w/SA fire & AW fire, res: 1 VC KIA, 30-35 yrs old, dressed in black PJ's, no wpn, ID, documents, or equipment.
38	1145	198th, CIDG/1/46, vic BT115254 at 1130H, reported killing 1 VC and capturing 1 VC. Obs 2 VCS running out of hootch, fired warning shots, 1 kept running and 1 stopped, eng'd, no wpns, wearing gray clothes. For Info Only.
39	1240	198th, D/1/46, vic BT422046 (OP 270) at 1145H, while laying Claymore mines, blown accidentally, res: 2 WHA (E), NBW, Dustoff complete 1255H.
40	1243	11th, B/3/1, vic BS755457 at 0900H, detained 1 VCS, admitted that she was in the cave yesterday with 3 VC that were KIA, she is at LZ Liz now, will evac to LZ Bronco.
41	1245	1/1, FAC, vic BT235488, results of air strike: 9 hootches destroyed, 4 defensive bunkers destroyed, 8 sampans destroyed, 6 sampans damaged.
42	1250	11th, LRRP Viceroy, vic BS500705 inserted at 1215H.
43	1335	1/1, B/1/1, vic BT223423 at 1326H, detained 1 MAM.
44	1347	11th, Aero Scouts, vic BS9126, obs large group of MAM's, snatched one. Evac to LZ Bronco.
45	1402	26th Engr, vic BT185155 at 1345H, CC rec'd intense AW fire, con't mission, 2 WHA (M).
46	1405	11th, LRRP Viceroy, vic BS500705 at 1300H, LRRP team request to be extracted because VC are in the area and they are moving in on LRRP team. Extracted 1325H.
47	1410	11th, MP's vic BS750505 at 1320H, a 5-ton VN cattle truck hit a mine, 3 VN WHA (E), called Dustoff, complete at 1410H.
48	1418	198th, TOC, vic BT435028 at 1327H, R/1/6 air move from Hill 69 to BT35028 complete at 1445H.
49	1420	196th, Rcn/4/3, CA vic AT948228 complete at 1359H, LZ Hot, rec'd fire at LZ, ret'd fire and sweeping area now.
50	1423	2d ROK, TOC, vic BT008518, a spotter plane shot down. Are trying to get pilot out now.
51	1440	196th, 4/21, vic BT049388 at 1408H, patrol rec'd 8 rds of sniper fire 100 meters from their loc, checking area at this time.
52	1440	196th, C/4/21, vic BT049400 at 1412H, rec'd 20 to 30 rds of sniper fire from 600 meters west of their loc, checking area at this time.
53	1455	Ha Thanh, vic BS293607 at 1400H, Opn C-166 drew sniper fire from vic BS293607 from local force VC using SA. Res were 1 CIDG WIA and neg enemy casualties.
54	1455	Ha Thanh, vic BS288614 at 1000H, Opn C-167 made chance contact with unk size local force VC unit at vic BS288614, res: neg friendly casualties, 1 enemy KIA and 2 tons of rice destroyed.
55	1455	196th, TOC, jet aircraft went down somewhere in Rice Bowl, pilot ejected and was picked up by 176th Avn at AT9911, taking pilot to LZ Baldy, to be evac to DaNang, in critical condition, went down due to SAF or bomb fragments. Later KHA.
56	1515	196th, A/3/21, vic AT98812201 at 1410H, rec'd 2 incoming mortar rds, called in arty, unk size rds, rec'd no casualties, rec'd no more rds.
57	1520	11th, LRRP Parliament at 1445H.tracted from BS773275.
58	1550	Ha Thanh, vic BS289608 at 1345H, Opn C-166 came upon approx 1 local force sqd guarding a cache. Enemy using LMG & AW. Upon contact, enemy fled east, res were neg friendly casualties, enemy casualties unk, 12 rds of 82mm ammo and 12 rds 60mm ammo CIA. Opn C-166 kept 1 each 82mm ammo and 60mm round and destroyed all others. Opn now searching area for wpns.
59	1550	Ha Thanh, vic BS295605 at 1245H, Opn C-167 drew sniper fire from vic BS295605. Report enemy wpns as AW. Local force VC. Res: 1 CIDG WIA, enemy casualties unk.

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60	1550	Ref journal entry #9. Approved by 1/1, CG. Passed to 196th at 1904H.
61	1453	11th, C/1/20, BS827317 at 2101H, CA 1 platoon, 34 passengers. C/1/20 PZ LZ Bronco, LZ BS827317. LZ time: 2106H. Some docs were found on a VC. Docs indicate the VC was a village chief. Also indicate a meeting to be held at 252100H. CA disapproved by CG.
62	1515	198th, 1/46, Hill 479 to east. CIDG, PZ 1343H. LZ 1449H complete. D/4, PZ 1452H, LZ 1501H, complete.
63	1623	196th, 4/21, 047400 at 1535H, found 6 homemade BT's. Wooden boxes filled w/glass and powder. Firing device was 20mm shell w/nail placed at primer. Were found along side of trail in brush and spaced about 3' apart.
64	1635	198th, Ly Tin S-2, 1 VC Co from 706th. Cmdr: Toan Trnh, is loc vic BT397112, BT392114. Mission: to attack Bau Bau Bridge from now to 26 July. (C-2 rating).
65	1640	198th, Ly Tin S-2 (C-2 rating). 1 VC Co from V-14. Cmdr: Nguyen Van Cuong, is loc vic BT416095, BT412091. Mission: to mortar Bau Bau Bridge.
66	1640	198th, Ly Tin S-2. 2 VC Co's from the 706th are loc BT367128, BT372125. Their mission is to ambush US troops from Hill 54 operating in that area.
67	1645	11th, 174th gunships, BS619537 at 1530H, on recon, obs 1 VC, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, CIA 1 Chicom HG. Wearing black PJ's.
68	1645	198th, National Police Ly Tin, VC are loc in the following villages: Ky Ha, Ky Hoa. Their mission is to capture local GVN cadre from now to 28 July.
69	1645	198th, National Police Ly Tin, 1 VC MF Bn 60-1, Cmdr: Chau Ngoc Xich, is loc BT355025. Mission: to mortar Chu Lai and Ly Tin HQ from now to 30 July.
70	1645	198th, National Police Ly Tin, 1 VC Co from V-14 is loc BT374056. Their mission is to attack Bau Bau Bridge from now to 30 July.
71	1714	11th, CC/3/1, BS745450 at 1705H, detained 3 VCS evading. Evac to LZ Liz.
72	1720	11th, Aero Scouts, 1620H inserted Inf at BS518701. Inf rec'd sniper fire but couldn't locate sniper. Found 1 VC pistol belt w/canteen. One OH-23 rec'd 1 rd SA flying at 100'. Cont'd to fly w/neg hits. Inf extracted.
73	1725	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT133361 at 1725H, detained 3 MAM, evac to Hawk Hill.
74	1735	1/1, TOC, USMC "CAP" have no ambushes planned for tonight 25-26 July.
75	1010	(delayed entry) Tam Ky, TOC, AO request from 260500H to 261800H. QT-69-T is designation. BT2527 E to BT3628, NE to BT3432, W to BT2532. Will have 5 Co's, 1 plat, and 1 APC Trp. 1/1: OK. FSE notified at 2226H. Sent to Tam Ky. Approved by CG.
76	1140	(delayed entry) Tam Ky, QT-70T, 270700H - 281700H. 3 Co's ARVN. Req for AO ext. BT3418, 3318, 2614, 2610, 3410. FSE notified at 2226H. Passed to 198th. Approved and sent to Tam Ky.
77	1210	(delayed entry) 1st CAG, 667973 at 2200H, 4 VC moved up to fence, fired 20 rds M-16 at LP. Ret'd fire, 4 rds illum fired. Reaction force sent. Swept area w/neg results.
78	1810	11th, D/6/11, CPT Henderson reports: D/6/11 completed movement to Ba To at 1801H.
79	1815	196th, B/2/1, AT824122 at 1400H, rec'd sniper fire SA/AW. Arty called. Moved in to check area. Found 3 spider holes (found 20 rds expended AK-47 and AK-44 ammo). Found trail sniper fired from (well used).
80	1835	A/26 Engr, LZ Young, at 1710H element helicopter rec'd sniper fire near LZ Young perimeter. Reconned area by fire, were assisted by mortars. No confirmed results.
81	1840	Tien Phuoc, B-2, BT117243 at 1830H, Opn C-140 made chance contact with 2 VC at above coord. Res: 1 enemy KIA, 1 enemy CIA. No friendly casualties. POW is presently with 1/46 Inf.
82	2015	TF Cooksey, B/3/18, AT916239 at 2005H, saw approx 4-6 rds of 60mm mortar fall 200m SW of their perimeter. NCD.
83	2115	MAG-13, Civilian Affairs Agent, there is 1 Div #705. Cmdr's name: Bam Quang Trung. Moved from Quang Tin to Ly Tin. They are now going to border between the 2 above Districts. Unit 409 and 305, 72d VC Bn and 1 MF Bn will attack Ly Tin Saturday night. 1 unit 601, Cmdr: Hau Ngoc Xieh. Stay at BT356029 and 2 Bn's stay at BS365989. Hamlet #2, Ky Xuan Village, has 60 VC who come there often at night vic BT497101. Wpns: Carbines, HG's, explosives. Their objective: move secretly to BT504086 to destroy all hamlets near air base. 1 Co name of Lua. Cmdr's name: Dinh Thai. He is a Nung. 100 men in Co. Staying at BT404003. Wpns: 2 .30cal MG, 3 auto rifles, 1 AA wpn, 3 rfts and explosives. They wear gray clothing, iron hats and rubber sandals. Their mission is to attack Ly Tin Dist and surrounding area and shell air base from 26 Jul to 2 Aug 68. Also to assassinate cadre; US/ARVN.
84	2120	196th, CC/2/1, AT97303 at 1945H, obs 9 VC crossing the river from W to E. Could not obs any equip due to darkness. Fired 81mm, got good coverage w/unk results. 300m S of the above loc obs 3 sampans crossing river. Fired 81mm w/unk results.
85	2200	198th, D/1/46, at 1130H, interrogation report. PW carried rice to mountains vic BT068265. While there obs in excess of 100 NVA soldiers. They had 60mm mortar and indiv wpns.
86	2300	198th, D/1/46, BT115254 at 1130H, CIDG, OPCON to 198th, KIA 1 VC and WIA/CIA 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA, 1 VC WIA/CIA.

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1	0001	Journal Opened
2	242025	(delayed entry) 196th, request for Firefly, time: 252200H, route from AT9523 on river, E to SE to BT0420. Alternate route: from AT9223 S along river to AT927155. Passed to Avn, cancelled by pilots, not enough ceiling.
3	0115	1st CAG, CAP 131, vic BS610950 at 2300H, rec'd large explosion outside perimeter wire, also rec'd 7 mortar rds, called illum, arty and gunships. Neg results.
4	0200	Quang Ngai, 2d ARVN Operations. Opn AT50/G, 1 day, 1 PF plat, 2 Bn's, 2 RF Co's, call sign Rice Cutlass Whiskey, freq 48.7, clearing BS5568, 5558, 6368, 6358, time 260700H. Opn 1122, time 260300H, 1 plat, infiltrate, freq 48.7, call sign: Rice Cutlass Alpha, vic BS648648, 647652. Opn 1156, time: 260700H, 1 day, 3 PF plats, clearing, freq 67.05, call sign: Rice Cutlass Echo, vic BS6562, 6764, 6862, 6661. Came from PFC Seal Quang Ngai 260200H. 1st Opn passed to 11th Bde due to possible conflict, 260337H. PFC Called and said to move southern boundary 2 k's north. Called 11th and notified CPT Hymers at 260340H.
5	0255	198th, vic BT549016 at 0255H, Bunkers 2 & 3 on LZ Bayonet receiving small arms fire.
6	0408	198th, vic BT549016 at 0408H, COL Marlow reported that there are unconfirmed reports of incoming mortar rds on the N edge of LZ Bayonet. 0425H, still unconfirmed. 0507H, still unconfirmed.
7	0640	198th, LZ Bayonet, vic BS549016 at 2000H, western portion of LZ Bayonet reported movement to their front. Illum fired w/neg results. 2207H, bunkers on west portion rec'd SA fire from AK-47, lasted until 0300H. At 0330H reaction force committed to bunker line, at 0335H LZ Bayonet reported HG incoming on western side of perimeter. At 0430H reaction force rec'd some AK-47 fire, 0500H, gunships called & dispatched, 4.2 mortars fired on suspected location. Reported explosion inside of perimeter.
8	0730	11th, A/1/20, vic BS833323 at 0650H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA.
9	0800	196th, C/3/21, vic BT047227 at 0710H, while walking through a hut area, obs 2 NVA evading to the south and 1 VC evading to the east, eng'd with SA fire, res: 1 VC KIA.
10	0800	173d LNO, CPT Mason, called from 173d Abn to report that during the past two days the 173d LRRP tam in the southern part of the Duc Pho AO has obs several large groups of armed personnel moving to the east.
11	0800	196th, vic AT970233 at 262200H, request Fire Fly mission be flown at AT970233, southeast along river to BT040205. Alternate course AT917228 south to AT928155. Passed to Avn, they will run mission, report to LZ Baldy at 2130H for briefing.
12	0813	39th Engr, C/39, vic BS727600 at 0700H, rec'd 2 rds of sniper fire, ret'd fire, continued mine sweep, passed to Quang Ngai, SFC Billings.
13	0813	39th Engr, D/39, vic BS567788 at 0710H, culvert blown at above coord, road is passable.
14	0830	11th, C/1/20, vic BS779414 at 0815H, detained 1 VCS, 19 yrs old, no ID.
15	0835	2d ROK, vic BT109581 at 0345H, 1st Bn radar picked up 50 to 60 people moving, fired arty in the area, sending 3 Co's to check area this morning. 0815H, BT1651, obs 50 sampans, will fire Naval gunfire on them.
16	0845	196th, vic BT098398 at 0805H, R/4/21 CA'd to BT098393 at 0821H, LZ cold.
17	0907	196th, B/2/1, vic AT828314 at 0831H, rec'd M-60 fire 30m from their loc, ret'd fire with SA & M-79, res: 1 WHA (E), checked area, found numerous bunkers, 2 hootches, found expended ammo in bunkers. Rec'd more sniper fire from further up the trail.
18	0909	USASF. Gia Vuc, P-166 (25 pers) Rcn, 261900H to 311900H, BS4228, 4231, 4731, 4728. P-162 closed 241830H. Ha Thanh, P-169 (30 per) Rcn, 250500H to 281700H, BS4269, 4274, 4569, 4574. P-168 (30 pers) Rcn, 250500H to 281700H, BS3268, 3272, 3668, 3672. P-163, P-164 closed 241700H. Ba To, P-136 closed 241800H. Tra Bong P-110 closed 241900H. Minh Long P-110 closed 240900H.
19	0917	11th, B/3/1, vic BS783425 at 0915H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
20	1000	196th, A/4/31, vic AT860208 at 0920H, while searching two hootches where personnel were evacuated, found 200 lbs rice, was in concrete crock, will evac.
21	1000	1st CAG, CAP 124, vic BT488081 at 0940H, have 1 RD wounded in shoulder, 3 Marines, 30 PF's on patrol, P-12A, at BT447082 Medevac 1 RD, patrol went to BT454079, RD's had contact with VC, had 2 more RD KIA. 15 PF left in area, total: 3 RD KIA, 2 RD WIA.
22	1001	196th, D/3/21, vic BT074244 at 0930H, obs 2 VN NE of their loc, at 200m, eng'd with SA fire, res: 2 VC KIA, dressed in black PJ's, 25-30 yrs old, neg wpns, ID, docs, or equipment.
23	1015	196th, R/4/21, vic BT109413 at 0955H, obs 2 MAM evading west 50-75m from their loc, eng'd with SA, res: 1 VC KIA, age 20-25 yrs old, wearing green uniform, under green uniform was wearing 1 white shirt & 1 gray shirt, other VC is still evading west.
24	1030	198th, B/1/46, vic BT259134 at 1030H, rec'd SA fire from BT252126, calling arty now.
25	1045	196th, D/3/21, vic BT077239 at 1015H, obs 1 VC evading 200m N of their loc, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, neg ID or equipment.

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26	1055	TF Cooksey, GEN Cooksey wants F/8 Cav to VR area where pilot was picked up yesterday, BT018113, to see if there is any equipment, parachute, helmet, if F/8th sees anything they are to insert and pick it up. Passed to 1/1, MAJ Medbury, he said F/8th should be in the target area by 1130H or 1135H.
27	1100	CPT Henderson USASF Liaison. Opn Tra Bong, P-113 (40 pers) Atk, BS3692, 3688, 4192, 4188, 280500H to 011100H.
28	1102	196th, C/4/21, vic BT031391 at 1100H, rec'd 1 rd of sniper fire, neg casualties, ret'd fire, checking area. 1118H, rec'd 5-7 rds more sniper fire, 300°, 100m from their loc, no casualties, still checking area.
29	1115	198th, A/1/6, vic BT399158 at 1040H, truck load of ARVN's got off truck, went "on line" to a village (above coord) and shot someone, the people ran out of village, none had wpns, A/1/6 checking out reason.
30	1123	11th, Aero Scouts, vic BS772546 at 1030H, detained 1 VCS in area where there were a lot of new tunnels, evac to LZ Liz.
31	1124	11th, Aero Scouts, vic BS790520 at 1045H, detained 1 VCS walking along beach, evac to LZ Liz.
32	1125	11th, R/1/20, vic BS528685 at 1040H, sprung ambush on 3 VC moving SE from west, 1 VC KIA, neg wpns, had pack with 97 Chicom hand grenades, will destroy HG's in place.
33	1145	1/1, F/8th Cav, vic BT221412 at 1135H, obs 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
34	250750	(delayed entry) Din Trans Office, 39th Engr have scheduled a 7 vehicle convoy from Tam Ky to LZ Young for 26 July. 1020H, ADE called to say that road has been repaired and they are planning to go unless rain gets worse. Tam Ky notified, PFC Rydell, 198th notified, SGT Bertucci.
35	1020	PMO, Patrol #1, vic BT558015 at 1000H, found a mortar site with tube and 1 live 82mm mortar rd. (not positive of size) along with many fuzes. The location is approx 1000m south of Gate #3 inside perimeter fence, approx 100m from road in tall grass. There is a trail from Route #1 to site and hole in fence. EOD checking mortar rd at location where found. Report sent in by SGT Price PMO. 1250H, further info from MAJ Anderson CLDC, did not find a mortar tube, they found 1 82mm rd, 4 fuzes, 11 fuze caps, 11 wires and a bamboo stake at above coord was where mortar had been set up. Further info MAJ Corbin. CLDC, patrol found in fact, 1 mortar rd, 4 fuzes, 12 safety caps for fuzes, safety pins, indentation in ground for base plate, bamboo aiming stake.
36	1200	Tam Ky, Toc, request ext of Ky Tra CFZ as follows: BT3011, BT3006, BT3413. Ky Tra CFZ re-extension request for indefinite period of time.
37	1210	1210H, Quang Ngai, SFC Billings, ARVN Co working on Highway #1 until 261800H between E-W grid line 80 & 82, E-W grid line 87 & 89. Passed to 198th, SP Birkel.
38	1215	196th, TOC, route 535 clear at 1200H, convoy departed at 1203H for LZ Ross, CS drop complete at coord AT9536, AT9736. Dropped 17 barrels.
39	1220	11th, CC/3/1, vic BS752547 at 1200H, detained 1 VCS hiding in tunnel, evac to LZ Liz.
40	1230	196th, F/8 Cav, vic BT075481 at 1132H, obs 1 MAM evading into a tunnel, tried to get him out. He did not come out, threw HG into tunnel, checked out tunnel, found 1 male, 2 females, and one 13 yr old girl, 1 male WIA, 1 female WIA, 1 girl WIA, 1 female KIA. Two signs in area written in VN, one stated Vietnamese do not talk to US or ARVN forces, tell them you do not understand or say nothing, one states VC/NVA have killed many US and ARVN forces. All WIA evac.
41	1305	196th, TOC, vic AT9021, request F/8 Cav for snatch at coord 9021, F/8 Cav will contact 4/3 on 4/3 push, nearest friendly: LZ Karen 15th NF Force, Hill 210 D/5/46, O'Connor A/4/3. Have rec'd two reports of large NVA force, also LZ Karen & O'Connor and Hill 210 have been receiving harassing fire.
42	1320	1/1, F/8 Cav, at 1315H, while flying VR for equipment from downed plane obs smoke grenade popped at AT993123, found ejection seat at BT014109, drew fire from the area. Will pick up seat if possible.
43	1340	196th, D/5/46, vic AT882348 at 1315H, found two BT HG's, estimated 3 months old, destroyed in place.
44	1355	11th, D/3/1, vic BS765546 at 1330H, rec'd 1 HG, NCD, detained VCS.
45	1410	G-5, SFC Walthall, vic BT422141 at 1350H, acft fired on some RD personnel, res: 1 RD cadre KHA, passed to 198th MAJ Cowling, passed to Div Avn CPT Reed.
46	1418	196th, D/4/31, vic AT815185 at 1355H, detained 1 NVA suspect dressed in khaki uniform, scout dog led unit to him, he was inside a tunnel, will evac to LZ Baldy. 1500H, NVA suspect at LZ Baldy.
47	1435	11th, D/19 Engr, vic BS793409 at 1300H, VN riding a bicycle hit a M14 mine, approx 100 meters north of B8116, neg casualties, area was swept w/neg results.
48	1450	196th, LRRP Tareyton, vic AT795173 at 1445H, LRRP Tareyton inserted at 1455H.
49	1505	198th, vic BT312121 at 1500H, 4 drums of CS were dropped at above coord on a rocket site.
50	1510	11th, F/8 Cav, vic BS492745 at 1500H, F/8 Cav Inf extracted at 1500H.
51	1547	11th, R/3/1, extracted from BS405625 to Ha Thanh, complete at 1544H.
52	1655	MSG McFall, 196th Bde L/O, Special Forces Opn patrol with grid box AT8043, AT9843, AT8040, AT8940, P-8, personnel: 50 CIDG, 2 USSF, 1 LLLB, 1 interpreter, freq 41.35.

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53	1230	11th, Rcn/3/1, vic BS435652 at 1230H, unit is receiving heavy AW and SA fire, results at this time: 1 WHA (E), air strike going in at this time. Gunships worked area over. 1 Co has been alerted to reinforce unit if needed. 1245H, firing stopped.
54	1355	11th, Rcn/3/1, vic BS435652 at 1355H, neg contact at this time. Element moving to PZ to be extracted to Ha Thanh, res of contact: 2 VC KIA, 1 AK-47 CIA, further info: during initial contact one VC was KIA, total: 3 VC KIA, 1 AK-47.
55	1410	11th, Aero Scouts, vic BS492745 at 1400H, eng'd 6 VC, res: 5 VC KIA, 2 VC CIA, 1 WHA (E).
56	1512	1/1, TOC, have extracted the ejection seat. At the TOC now, it was about 150 meters from where they said it was, there was nothing else in the area near where the seat was.
57	1540	39th Engr, A/39, vic BT234174 at 1250H, found 1 mine in road, bamboo electric pressure type, 15 lbs TNT, removed mine and destroyed.
58	1540	39th Engr, A/39, vic BT219168 at 1140H, notified security that mine was found, sent element to location and identified it to be M2 Series Bouncing Frag AP mine with M6 comb fuze, blew mine in place.
59	1540	39th Engr, A/39, vic BT223172 at 1200H, found 1 fake mine in road, scrap metal wrapped in plastic & rubber bands, removed from road and destroyed.
60	1620	11th, D/1/1, vic BS744538 at 1600H, detained 1 MAM hiding in hootch, evac to LZ Liz.
61	1620	196th, C/4/21, vic BT033389 at 0923H, found 1 MAM evading along river bank, eng'd, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA. In same area detained 2 more VCS, will evac to LZ Baldy.
62	1620	CLDC alert condition Green effective 1800H.
63	1430	(delayed entry) 11th, LRRP Chesterfield, BS476463, inserted at above coord at 1135H.
64	1500	198th, Ly Tin, Intel: 1 VC Co loc BT393075, 400080. Mission: to attack RD's at Ky Kung Village and district HQ and combine with 706 V-14 Co's from now until 29 July.
65	1505	196th, LRRP Raleigh, inserted at 1500H.
66	1637	196th, C/2/1, AT828311 at 1555H, detained 1 MAM dressed in green uniform. He was a VC mess Sgt. At 262100H, 2 females supposed to bring supplies. He said VC Co's 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 253 VC Bn, 444 Regt, have been in area since Jan 67. He said area is a training and rest area. He said each Co has 1 mortar and AK-47's and 50's. He was found near 3 dead water buffalos. He said 1 VC Bn is at AT293283. 1 plat was sent 4 days ago to AT293283. 1 plat at AT837280, claims to be lost and doesn't remember where he comes from. There were many used trails running west in the area where he was picked up.
67	1640	11th, B/3/1, 746416 at 1615H, detained 3 VCS. Will evac to LZ Liz.
68	1700	Ha Thanh, BS428634 at 1030H, Opn P-165 made contact with Co size enemy force vic above coord. Enemy were in bunkers and were using AW, HG's, and hvy MG. Suspected to be VC main force or possibly NVA. Res: 2 USA WIA, one Medevac to Chu Lai, the other returned to Ha Thanh. Enemy had 3 KIA (C), 3 probable KIA, 1 AK-47 CIA. Ha Thanh reports enemy has increased activity in the area.
69	1730	196th, F/17 Cav & 4/21, 088472 at 1630H, found 1 hut which they believe to be VC supply point. Contained the following: 1xM26 HG, 3xBA30 batteries, 1xsewing kit, 19x black shirts, 10x pairs khaki trousers, large quantity of water repellent cloth, 3xlarge bolts of black cloth, 17' in each bolt. Also found 1xovercoat, 50xlbs salt, 5xblocks of tobacco, 5xconcrete crocks of unpolished rice totaling 1000 lbs. All will be evac to LZ Baldy tomorrow morning.
70	1730	196th, C/4/21, BT026389 at 1600H, rec'd 20 rds AW fire. Also rec'd 25 rds AW fire 100m SW of grid 024375. Maneuvered and ret'd fire, neg casualties, moving to check area.
71	1740	11th, Aero Scouts, BS452759 at 1505H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
72	1740	11th, Aero Scouts, BS523729 at 1500H, eng'd 2 VC, res: 2 VC KIA.
73	1746	11th, Aero Scouts, BS492745 at 1400H, ref journal entry #55: add one .45 cal Thompson SMG, SN 817795.
74	1753	11th, LRRP Chesterfield, BS477660 at 1230H, while moving to their OP position they were spotted by VC, eng'd, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA, request extraction.
75	1840	198th, D/1/46, BT107241 at 1818H, spotted 5 VC, eng'd, res: 2 VC KIA, 1 SKS and 2 packs CIA.
76	1845	11th, LRRP Chesterfield, BS417660 at 1840H extracted.
77	1850	CAP 114, BT277280 at 1630H, patrol moved into village and rec'd AW fire from 2 VC. Ret'd fire, checked area, res: 1 WHA (E), team moved to next village and detained 8 VCS. Evac to Tam Ky.
78	1910	198th, B/1/46, BT248115 at 1837H, eng'd 5 VC, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 AK-47 CIA.
79	1930	III MAF, 1/7 Marines, AT920690 at 1908H, report 1/7 CP rec'd unk number rockets. 196th and CLDC informed at 1940H. III MAF called back. 1/7 rec'd only 1 rocket, outside wire. Counter battery fired at AT865685 and AT874662.
80	2009	198th, B/1/52, 693963 at 2000H, rec'd incoming sniper fire. Called arty and illum. Neg casualties or damage.
81	2015	III MAF, S-2 Dien Ban Dist HQ, BT0260, NVA Bn, point element a plat of VC, loc BT040593. They are equipped with 6x82mm mortars. ROK's have been firing at above grids for 1 hour.

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1	0001	Journal Opened
2	0050	196th, AO, ZC173120 at 1655H, found foot trail, appeared to be well travelled in the last 24 hours and foot bridge in good condition at above coord. ZC184126, foot bridge, ZC103083, well used trail. Going to a possible staging area located ZC100085.
3	0253	III MAF, at 0245H, said airfield was receiving incoming rockets. CLDC and 198th notified at 0254H.
4	0315	1st CAG, CAP 125, 416123 at 0200H, a mine and grenade went off inside wire. Heard movement outside wire, also inside wire. Ret'd with SA fire, neg results. Also fired illum w/neg results. Neg casualties or damage.
5	0025	III MAF, G-3 Air, vic BS165458 at 0025H, III MAF G-3 Air called to report 45 emissions at above grid and requested clearance. Passed clearance for Americal Div troops. Hit with a Sky Spot at 0130H, MK 117 Plus CGU.
6	0310	11th, A/3/1, vic BS619564 at 0210H, rec'd 7 HG's, res: 1 US KHA, 1 US WHA (E), Dustoff complete 0245H, the WHA (E) DOW at 0440H, rec'd from 11th Bde, SGT Walker 270615H, total 2 KHA.
7	262118	(delayed entry) Tam Ky. 1.) Opn, 1 US Co, 725th RF Co, 270145H to 270600H, 1 day, coord vic BT200175, BT200160, BT210175, BT215170, neg clearance, passed to Tam Ky 270055H, SP4 Michielz, Tam Ky cancelled, 198th notified. 2.) Opn, PF Tien Phuoc, 270500H, 1 PF plat, 1 day, grid BT1210, BT1410, BT1408, BT1208. 3.) Opn, PF Tien Phuoc, 270800H, 3 days, BT102112, 111103, 104110, 086119, rec'd from SP4 Michielz, passed to 198th by secure radio 262230H.
8	0740	39th Engr, B/39, vic BS623865 at 0700H, rec'd 1 rd of sniper fire, NCD, continued mine sweep, passed to 198th SSG Kaiser.
9	0740	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT090321 at 0731H, detained 1 MAM, neg ID, he is at Hawk Hill.
10	0800	1/1, F/8 Cav, at 1500H, snatch mission for 4/3 at 261500H, ran with negative results. 4 acft were on station for 4 hrs 20 min, 4 acft were on standby for 4 hrs 20 min.
11	0820	11th, B/3/1, vic BS540740, B/3/1 CA'd to BS540740 at 0827H, LZ cold.
12	0834	11th, D/3/1, vic BS735557 at 0805H, rec'd 1 burst of AW fire, res: 1 US WHA (E).
13	0900	CPT Henderson, USASF Liaison. Tien Phuoc, C-140 closed 241800H. Ba To, P-141 (42 pers) Rcn, 291800H to 021800H, corners BS5735, 6439, 5632, 6433. P-140 (43 pers) Rcn, 290500H to 011800H, corners BS5140, 5332, 5734, 5632. P-137 closed 251800H. Tra bon, C-114 (125 pers) Raid, 290500H to 021930H, corners BS3988, 4488, 3982, 4482. P-109 closed 251900H.
14	0852	11th, A/3/1, vic BS619564 at 0851H, change journal entry #6, add 1 US WHA (E).
15	0909	11th, B/3/1, vic BS785501 at 0840H, eng'd 2 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
16	0930	11th, A-1-20, vic BS547744 at 0925H, CA'd to above coord complete at 0925H, LZ cold.
17	0920	196th, A/3/21, vic BT028210 at 0645H, approached a hootch area, obs 2 MAM evading 200m south of their location, eng'd with SA fire, res: 1 VC CIA, other VC evading south, VC CIA age 16 yrs old, neg wpn, ID, docs, or equip.
18	0920	196th, C/4/21, vic BT016394 at 0900H, found 2 BT on a trail going into hedgerow ten meters apart, 1 was a 105mm shell w/pull type firing device, 1 was a 81mm mortar tube filled with explosives, also pull type firing device, both blown in place.
19	0935	9th Engr, vic BT116493, arty shell hit road, left a 8ft wide, 6 ft deep crater in the road, road is passable.
20	0945	11th, A/3/1, vic BS615558 at 0230H, detained 1 VCS, still in the field.
21	0950	196th, C/3/21, vic BT064236 at 0925H, while entering a hootch area obs 1 MAM evading west 75 meters from their location, eng'd with SA fire. Res: 1 VC KIA, age 30-35 yrs old, dressed in tan shirt, black shorts, neg ID or equip.
22	0953	198th, R/1/52, vic BS467827 at 0945H, rec'd 30-40 rds of SA fire, from BS467827, their loc is BS471824, broke 1005H.
23	1010	196th, TOC, request F/8 Cav for D/4/31, to be on station at 1100H, come up on Renegade Command initially and then go to D/4/31 internal. Screen & Cover D/4/31 which will be moving on the ground. N-S grid line 79 to 82, E-W grid line 18 to 20, nearest friendlies, D on ground, LZ Mellon: C Co, LZ Richards: A-E/4/31. Passed to 1/1 Cav.
24	1021	11th, B/3/1, vic BS783493 at 1015H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
25	1025	11th, A/1/20, vic BS527240 at 1015H, rec'd several rds of sniper fire, neg casualties, ret'd fire, res: 1 VC KIA, neg wpn.
26	1027	196th, C/3/21, BT070235 at 0955H, obs 1 MAM evading west, 100m from their loc, eng'd with SA fire, res: 1 VC KIA. Dressed in white shirt, black shorts, age 30-35 yrs old, neg wpn, ID, docs, or equip.
27	1031	11th, C/1/20, vic BS768409 at 1010H, detained 1 VCS hiding in tunnel, several rds of Chicom ammo, are still questioning indiv at site.
28	1036	196th, C/3/21, vic BT069235 at 0955H, obs 1 VN male evading west, eng'd with SA & M-79 fire at a distance of 175-200 meters, res: 1 VC KIA. Dressed in black shirt and shorts, 30-35 yrs old, neg wpn, ID, docs, or equip.
29	1042	198th, B/1/52, vic BS629979 at 1028H, rec'd SA & AW fire, est 30 VC, gunships called. Broke 1105H.
30	1056	196th, D/3/21, vic BT056263 at 211400H, while on patrol checked the area where 4 VC were obs yesterday, appeared to be carrying mortar tubes, eng'd w/.50 cal fire, did not check area until today, found 1 VC KIA dressed in black PJ's.

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31	1100	196th, C/4/21, vic BT017403 at 1045H, rec AK-47 fire 250m from their loc, did not return fire, believe to be LRRP loc.
32	1115	11th, D/3/1, vic BS750550 at 1100H, receiving hvy AW fire at this time, gunships scrambled, unit in contact. Broken 1125H, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 M-1 rifle CIA, SN 3597845, also found 1 Chicom HG and 1 M36 HG, 1 pistol belt, HG's and pistol belt destroyed.
33	1120	196th, C/4/21, vic BT019387 at 1100H, obs 4 VC evading 300m south of their loc, eng'd with SA, res: 1 VC female KIA, wearing pistol belt, 2 Chicom HG's, dressed in black PJ's, remainder evaded towards south. One of them dropped a K-44, think one of the males was wounded, rifle evac.
34	1130	11th, 174th Avn, vic BS524753 at 0930H, gunships took 3 hits from AW fire, neg casualties, altitude was 300 feet.
35	1135	196th, C/2/1, vic AT828312 at 1045H, found a hootch, inside were: 1 pair of NVA pants (gray), 1 white shirt, 1 green VC pack, 1 US bayonet (unit will keep), 1 hammer, some pictures & documents, will evac.
36	1155	196th, Rcn/4/21, vic BT121403 at 1130H, obs 1 MAM evading 150m east of their loc, eng'd w/SA fire, res: 1 VC KIA, age 20-25 yrs, wearing gray shirt & shorts.
37	1200	198th, request for AO continuation, AO extension north of FSB East from 272400H to 312400H July, passed to 1/1 SGT Ayres 1200H, approved by MAJ Medbury 1430H, passed to 196th LT Salazar 1200H, approved 1212H, passed to 198th, approved SGT Voroa 1430H.
38	1200	Div Arty S-2 AO, 0940H to 1030H. 0940H, AT927136, obs 1 NVA w/pack & wpn traveling SE along trail E side of Song Tranh River. 1000H, AT895087, obs 20-25 NVA moving SE along well used trail, personnel were camouflaged and carried wpns and packs. Adj B/3/18, res: unk. Personnel evaded into hvy trees. (Comment: the following observations have been made in this general area since 15 Jul. 15 Jul, obs 10 camouflaged boats, 2 huts approx 40 ft in length at AT935063. 16 Jul, obs fresh trail at AT937061. 21 Jul, obs 50-60 NVA at AT915065-927058. NVA traveling toward suspect supply point at AT924053. Obs huts and bunkers under jungle. After arty was adj, rec'd secondary explosion with 100' fireball. Uncovered tunnel complex on side of hill. 23 Jul, AT927058, obs 8 large bldgs. And 5 small bldgs., uncovered spider holes or cave entrances after arty was fired. From all indications, this is being used as an infiltration route and possible storage and base area for troops moving SE into the Hau Duc area.) 1030H, AT880100, obs well-constructed bridge w/hvy trails, AT888096 obs well-constructed and camouflaged bridge with hvy trail activity.
39	1326	11th, 271130H - 271150H, area contamination. Area covered with 30x55 gal CS drums. 100% coverage at coord BS77052975, BS77202965, BS77503000, BS77453015. Intel target.
40	1330	196th, C/2/1, vic AT843307 at 1145H, rec'd 500 to 600 rds of AW fire, res: 1 WHA (E), ret'd fire, checked area, found 1 NVA KIA, dressed in green uniform, also found 7 huts and 3 AK-47 empty magazines.
41	1333	PMO, SGT Price, at 262325H approximately, at APO annex parking lot, persons unknown did explode an M26 fragmentation HG. EOD Team.
42	1435	CLDC, MCB-71 will blow something on their helo pad at 1700H.
43	1456	11th, B/3/1, vic BS785502 at 1445H, obs 2 VC in bunker, would not come out, eng'd with HG, res: 2 VC KIA, also found 1 Chicom HG in bunker, HG was destroyed.
44	1505	39th Engr, A/39, vic BT181145 at 1240H, found 1 mine (Russian type) in Hwy 533, removed and destroyed.
45	1505	39th Engr, A/39, vic BT201161 at 1315H, found a mine with approx 15 lbs of TNT, removed and destroyed.
46	1545	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic AT90627, 895213 at 1445H, performing snatch mission for 4/3, went into snatch area, rec'd SA fire, did not accomplish mission.
47	1550	11th, A/1/20, extraction of A/1/20 complete at 1540H to LZ Thunder.
48	1558	11th, B/19 Engr, vic BS752504 at 1530H, 5-ton truck hit pressure type mine, 2 US WHA (E), 2 VN WHA (E), truck being towed to LZ Max.
49	1559	11th, B/3/1, vic BS793475 at 1550H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
50	1603	198th, A/1/46, vic BT173137 at 1548H, A Cc ambush, eng'd 1 NVA, res: 1 NVA KIA w/AK-47, SN 10130016. Neg docs, went to check out body, rec'd AW fire, man wearing green khakis, carrying pack.
51	1620	196th, F/8 Cav, 4/3, vic AT906212 at 1508H, F/8 Cav obs 3 AW positions, appeared to be 24 hrs old. Believe they rec'd .50 cal AW fire at 1520H. At coord AT906214 they obs 7 bunkers 4' wide x 5' high, well camouflaged with banana leaves, believe used within last 24 hrs. At 1536H, AT895213, F/8 Cav attempted to snatch 1 MAM, they rec'd 400-700 rds SA and AW fire. At grid AT8921, AT9021, ret'd fire, res: 18 hootches destroyed, also found 1x.50 cal position in that area.
52	1630	CLDC alert condition Green effective 1800H.
53	1645	198th, Ly Tin S-2 (C-3) 1 VC plat commanded by Huynh Huong, loc at BT443151, mission is to combine with local infrastructure and kidnap local government cadre, spread propaganda for demonstration and attack OP 12 at Ky Hoa and mortar Chu Lai from now to 29 July.
54	0945	(delayed entry) Quang Ngai, strength of ARVN units in Pocahontas Forest: HQ-52, 22 Arty-65, 2/5 Bn-502, 3/5 Bn-552, 4/5 Bn-547, Regt HQ-27. Total personnel-1745.
55	1514	11th, 174th Avn, BS767526 at 1250H, rec'd 20-30 rds SA/AW fire. Took 1 hit, neg casualties. Alt: 40'. Continued to fly.

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56	1610	11th, 174th Avn, BS547750 at 1600H, during extraction of A/1/20, rec'd hvy AW fire. Went into area, res: 6 VC KIA. Still on station, request air strike.
57	1700	Ref journal entry #56, air strike called by 11th Bde. Fire rec'd by gunships from BS539779. Air strike approved by Quang Ngai only, not cleared with 198th. Air strike went in at 1615H.
58	1700	G-5, unk number of VC went into village Khauong Haip vic BT488068 and kidnapped 2 VN males and 1 VN female. Info was obtained from VN male who was also captured by the VC, but later escaped. Passed to 198th, SGT Kaiser. They already have report from Ly Tin S-2.
59	1700	Div Avn, report gunships working with 11th Bde on extraction of A/1/20 vic BS547750 rec'd SA/AW fire. Res: 6 VC KIA (same report as journal entry #56).
60	1706	11th, gunships 174th Avn, at 1600H rec'd intense ground fire. Ship was hit by SA/AW fire, is back at Duc Pho now being checked. Fire from BS5473, 5474, 5475.
61	1725	196th, C/2/1, AT846307 at 1643H, found 12 huts 6'x10'x3' w/escape tunnels. Huts were well built and well camouflaged. Had seating benches for 1 plat. Each hut "Training Area". Found 2 NVA packs, 2 canteens, 1 RPG or RR aiming sight, 3 straw hats, 1 NVA gas mask, 2 gas mask filters, 4 NVA entrenching tools, 2 Chicom HG's. 2 AK-47 magazines, 20 rds AK-47 ammo, 2 ammo drums for large SM. Some docs. Huts destroyed, remainder evac.
62	1750	11th, A/1/20, BS527741 at 1515H, found 1 VC in tunnel, wouldn't come out, res: 1 VC KIA.
63	1754	196th, A/5/46, BT860335 at 1615H, rec'd 8 rds SA fire. Ret'd fire w/SA and 81mm mortar. VC broke contact. Checking area.
64	1758	198th, D/1/46, BT113231 at 1733H, point man on patrol walked into 3 VC. They evaded, eng'd w/SA, res: 1 VC WIA. Dustoff called.
65	1805	196th, S-2, at 1800H LRRP Raleigh loc BT002408 out of AO. Moving back to AO. LRRP Camel is with B/4/31.
66	1812	FSE, OP 1 reports that patrol of PF's went out to BS522771 to get wounded. There were 7 VN KIA and 3 VN WIA. One was a little girl. 2 of the 3 wounded were Dusted off. OP 1 said the gunships shot the area south of the OP, shot people in the fields.
67	1850	G-5, Refugee Report: D/3/21: 21 refugees from BT056264 to Tam Ky Refugee Center at 1130H. C/3/21: 7 refugees from BT074242 to Nui Loc Son Refugee camp at 1330H.
68	1925	196th, A/3/21, BT024216 at 1850H, stayed behind on night ambush. 1 VN male and 1 VN female 75m west of their loc, eng'd with SA. Res: 1 VC female KIA, male was wounded, escaped to west. He was dressed in green uniform. Female had white dress, black bottom. Female age 25, male approx 27. Neg ID or wpn on female.
69	2005	198th, B/1/52, BS693967 at 1916H, last night B/1/52 eng'd some VC with .50 cal fire. Tonight the local VN have brought in the body of 1 VC.
70	1200	(delayed entry) 11th, TOC, AO ext from 1200H to 1930H. Gunships chasing VC from BS7357, 7359 east to sea. Quang Ngai notified. 1201H was OK'd. Approved by G-3. Passed to 11th Bde.
71	1345	(delayed entry) 11th, AO ext request, coord BS7357, 7360, 7760. Have made contact at various times today and want to CA 1 plat in and try to take prisoners. Passed to Quang Ngai. Approved by them and CG.
72	1530	(delayed entry) 196th, TOC, request for F/8 Cav to report for snatch mission tomorrow. 1/1 approved. Called 198th, they cancelled F/8 Cav request. Passed to 1/1 Cav.
73	2145	198th, 1/52, BS587987 at 2055H, OP 3 (PF) made contact w/ext VC squad. Ret'd fire with .50 cal and SA. Checked area, found 1 Thompson SMG (Info Only).
74	2240	2d ROK Bde, 7th Co, 2d Bn, ROK Bde, BT067512 at 2200H, while on ambush made contact w/ext plat of VC. Eng'd, res: 17 VC KIA, 5 IWC (3 M-1 and 2 carbines).
75	2025	CLDC, BT5420, had one man drown on beach at unk time. MAJ Malacon said the man is from Americal Support Command.
76	2235	11th, LRRP Viceroy, BS541525 at 2120H, 1 EM from Viceroy was Dusted off, back injury.
77	2310	198th, TOC, at 2300H, rec'd harassing AW fire. Neg casualties.
78	2315	198th, 1/52, 700977 at 2315H, request flare and gunships from 2400H to 0130H. CAP 135 had contact earlier. NO - from LTC Baxley and GEN Cooksey.
79	1930	(delayed entry) FSE, OP 1 (3/18 Arty), BS534766, statement from OP 1 concerning gunship incident. Personnel from OP saw 2 Huey gunships south of river firing at unk targets for about 15 min. One of them crossed the river and proceeded to fire on 2 women on a trail. First rds fired were rockets. Obs no SA fire prior to this. All personnel were on the tower. Heard no SA prior to gunships firing rockets on the women. Following this, second ship crossed river and killed 2 old men with hoes over their shoulders, then proceeded to fire on cows and other personnel in the area. After a few minutes they went south to shoot at women and children and other men on trail. Civilians fired on were in open, not in tree line but in rice paddies and on the road to Quang Ngai. Contacted gunships (Shark 8) and gunship stated that he was in area and had done firing. Res: 1 old woman, 5 old men, and 1 younger man KIA. 1 girl age 12 yrs, 1 woman, and 1 man WIA. 2 evac to Chu Lai.

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2	272245	Americal MID CI, as of 1400H 27 July 1968, a VC Bn code name unk, moved from Tam Ky to locate at coord BT365039. Commander unk. The unit consists of approximately 300 men, 2 nurses, and several Chicom advisors, exact number unk. They are dressed in green and khaki uniforms, field packs, and each member carries several day's supply of food. They are armed 5 B-40's, many 122mm rockets, exact number unk, 2x122mm rocket launchers, 4x82mm mortars, and many other indiv and crew served wpns, not further identified. They intend to attack Ly Tin Dist HQ, Chu Lai base, and the An Bau Bridge, BT430109, from 27 to 30 July 1968.
3	272115	MAG-13, S-2, Civil Affairs Agent, VC moved from Ky Xuen Village by boat, they moved to BT475125, they have 2x60mm mortars and will shell air base at Chu Lai. The 409th are at My Son, coord BT3502, H&I fired. OB comment: they hold the 409th VC Sapper Bn in the area of My Son, BT3502.
4	271930	FSE, OP 1 (3/18 Arty) vic BS534766, statement from personnel from Nui Tron (OP 1) vic of BS517777 concerning gunship incident. Personnel from OP saw 2 Huey gunships south of river firing at unk targets for about 15 min. One then crossed the river and proceeded to fire on 2 women on a trail. First rds fired were rockets. Obs no SA fire prior to this. All personnel were on the tower and heard no small arms prior to gunships firing rockets on the women. Following this, 2nd ship crossed river and killed 2 old men with hoes over their shoulders, then proceeded to fire on cows and other personnel in the area. After a few minutes they went south of hill to shoot at women and children and other men on trail. Civilians fired on were in open, not in tree line, but in rice paddies and road to Quang Ngai. Contacted gunships (Shark 8) and gunship stated that he was in area and had done firing. Results of firing: 1 old woman, 5 old men, and 1 young man KIA. 1 girl 12 yrs old, 1 woman, and 1 man WIA, 2 evac to Chu Lai.
5	0100	196th, 4/3 CIDG, vic AT919261 at 0025H, rec'd 1 rd SA fire with neg casualties, ret'd fire with 4.2 mortar w/neg results.
6	0305	198th, 1/52, Binh Son, vic BS602922 at 0240H, rec'd SA fire and 15x82mm mortar rds, NCD, contact broken at 0255H, 2 suspected mortar locations, BS586912, BS589912, arty was fired at suspected grids, neg assessment.
7	0330	Tam Ky CIDG, CIDG opn starts 280600H, 1 day, coord BT030160, 030150, 080150, 080160. Passed to 196th at 0344H, told to pass it on to TF Cooksey. 3/21 gave approval at 0355, TF Cooksey was notified 0350H.
8	0540	11th, CPT Hymers, POW out of cage at LZ Liz, request tracker dog team, VCS, had him in a room, guards took their eyes off him and he quietly moved out. Name of POW, Nguyen Thanh, 35 yrs old, village of Duc Phuoc. Have tracker team on LRRP Pad at 1000H. Changed to 0730H, laid on a ship from 14th Avn to pick up & take down.
9	0605	196th, LT McCloud, vic AT926238 at 0605H-0620H, LZ Lurch rec'd incoming, 7x82mm mortars, res: 2 WHA (E), 1 WHA (M), EM are from B/3/16 Arty.
10	0635	11th, A/1/20, CA'd at 0625H, at vic BS886320, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA. D/1/20 CA'd at 0645H. D/3/1 CA'd at 0744H.
11	0750	1/1, F/8 Cav, results of VR mission for 4/31 yesterday, 4 acft on station 6 hr 45 min, 4 acft on standby 6 hr 45 min, neg results on mission. Results of snatch mission for 4/3 yesterday, 4 acft on station for 6 hrs, 4 acft on standby for 6 hrs. Acft rec'd hvy AW fire and was not able to make snatch.
12	0736	11th, A/1/20, vic BS887320 at 0604H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 pack, medical supplies, documents, age 25 yrs.
13	0800	1/1, request AO ext ASAP to 2400H from BT1330 to 1326 E to 165260. F/8 Cav rec'd ground fire from 2 locations, many people on ground wearing packs w/wpns, they were carrying silver tubes. F/8 Cav fired on tube, it blew up. Passed to 196th at 0810H, LT Vasberry. Approved by 196th, passed to 1/1 Cav, MAJ Medbury.
14	0805	39th Engr, C/39, vic BS717597 at 0705H, rec'd 2 rds of sniper fire and 1x40mm rd, ret'd fire, NCD or results, continued mine sweep, passed to Quang Ngai, PFC Seal.
15	0813	CPT Henderson, USASF. Tien Phuoc, P-141 closed 261800H. P-113 closed 271100H. At Minh Long Nong Son P-7 closed 271200H.
16	0823	11th, D/3/1, vic BS745574 at 0810H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA, no ID.
17	0824	196th, LRRP Raleigh, vic BT017406 at 0810H, obs 5 NVA, 1 wearing sun hat, 4 wearing bush hats, dressed in green, with wpns and packs, moving east.
18	0845	196th, 4/3 is sending their tracker dog team in today, request another team today. 4/3 dog team returned to Chu Lai last night w/neg results. Called tracker team, LT Wheeler said 1 team at Baldy and 1 team at Duc Pho. No tracker team available.
19	0900	11th, D/3/1, vic BS750570 at 0810H, detained 1 VC evading, evac to LZ Liz.
20	0925	196th, Liaison 3/21, vic BT016256 at 0755H, 3/21 Liaison personnel with PF's at Nui Loc Son, while on patrol with PRU obs 1 MAM evading west from their location, wearing black PJ's, eng'd w/SA fire, res: 1 VC KIA, 18 yrs old, body count will go to 3/21.
21	0945	11th, Rcn/1/20, vic BS523674 at 0855H, obs 3 VC at above coord, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 AK-47 magazine w/ammo, 1 M26 HG, 1 NVA pistol belt CIA, will evac equipment.
22	1005	198th, D/1/46, vic BT135219 at 0904H, hit a BT, type unk, res: 3 WHA (E), 1 KHA.
23	1014	198th, CAP 133, vic BT655005 at 0950H, found 1 ton rice, 2 females in spider hole CIA, while capturing females, rec'd AW fire, res: 1 PF WHA (E), still receiving AW fire.

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24	1025	196th, C/3/21, vic BT086253 at 1005H, obs 1 VC evading north 50m from their location, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, no wpn, documents or equipment.
25	0945	196th, C/3/21, vic BT078248 at 0915H, found 1700 lbs of unpolished rice in 3 camouflaged huts, rice will be evac to Nui Loc Son.
26	1030	196th, LRRP Raleigh, ref journal entry #17, change coord to read BT015412.
27	1045	196th, S-2, LRRP Raleigh, loc vic BT007408. LRRP Tareyton loc AT793168, moving to AT791166.
28	1100	196th, E/5/46, vic AT912360 at 1015H, obs 2 MAM evading SE. Yelled to HALT, didn't stop, fired over head. 1 stopped and jumped into a small spider hole, the other evaded east. Detained one who stopped, he had 7-8 rds of expended AK-47 rds. He was wearing black trousers & green shirt, will evac to IPW.
29	1104	11th, B/1/20, vic BS556392 at 1050H, eng'd unk number of VC, res: 2 VC KIA, 5 VC CIA, CIDG interpreter interrogated the 5 VC, said they are VC and feels there are 100 more in that area. Rec'd 5-6 rds SA fire as he went farther into valley, SA fire increased as he went farther into valley, request gunships on standby for the rest of the day. Night laager is at BS448387.
30	1111	198th, CAP 133, vic BS657998 at 1047H, hit BT, res: 1 USMC WHA (E), Dustoff complete 1105H.
31	1123	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT149288 at 1110H, obs 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 wpn, will try to get it later.
32	1135	Ha Thanh, vic BS288602 at 1005H, company size opn, rec'd sniper fire from 4 local force enemy causing neg casualties.
33	1151	198th, Marine Mobil Training Team, vic BT340161 at 0530H, hit BT, res: 2 USMC WHA (M).
34	1200	173d Abn Bde, CPT Mason, vic BS9314 at 1200H, 50 people were obs getting out of a boat and moving south. CPT Henderson has been informed prior to this headquarters being notified. 1/20 S-2 will be checking it out. Also Bde has called Swift Boats and sent up a FAC. 1215H, FAC on station, says it appears to be fishermen. Swift Boats are going in to confirm. 1225H, Swift Boats confirmed these are friendly fishermen. 173d Abn notified.
35	1205	196th, LRRP Camel, inserted at 1200H, AO AT8916, 8918, 8716, 8918.
36	1300	196th, A/4/21, BT069370 at 1230H, a PF truck hit a mine. Truck was loaded with troops. 3 KHA, 10 WHA (E). Mine left a crater 1-1/2' deep and 6' in diameter. All PF casualties.
37	1310	11th, Aero Scouts, BS544584 at 1030H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC WIA/CIA. Dusted off to Quang Ngai, wpn lost in water.
38	1310	11th, A/1/20, BS886320 at 1140H, detained 11 VCS, evac to LZ Bronco.
39	1310	11th, Aero Scouts, BS475753 at 1140H, detained 1 VCS MAM, evac to LZ Bronco.
40	1310	11th, Aero Scouts, BS531750 at 1035H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
41	1311	11th, C/3/1, BS830436 at 1245H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA. Also found pistol belt, 1 M26 HG and documents.
42	1315	11th, LRRP Viceroy, BS480698 at 1036H, inserted.
43	1320	196th, TOC, A/4/21, BT070375 at 1220H, on way to check out where PF truck hit mine, rec'd 5-6 rds SA sniper fire. NCD, area will be checked out.
44	1400	11th, LRRP Viceroy, BS485699 at 1359H, obs 3 VC, 1 wearing green uniform, 1 wearing black PJ's and green pants and khaki shirt. 1 had wpn, 2 were moving south, 1 was moving north. Obs all 3 within a 5-10 min period.
45	1510	196th, D/3/21, BT081288 at 1405H, OP obs 3 VC in a field moving west, wearing packs, no wpns. Arty called, res: 2 VC KIA, 1 evaded west.
46	1535	LRRP Raleigh, BT013411 at 1500H, called arty on N side of Hill 290. Obs 4 VC, ran into wood line. 3 dressed in black PJ's, 1 in gray uniform, 2 had wpns. They evaded W into wood line and LRRP's called arty w/good coverage w/unk res.
47	1547	11th, C/1/20, BS777373 at 1535H, rec'd SA fire, res: 1 WHA (E). Dustoff called.
48	1600	CLDC, alert condition Green effective 1800H.
49	1620	196th, LRRP Raleigh, BT015409 at 1600H, obs 4 VC in black PJ's moving from SE to SW. Will continue to observe.
50	1625	11th, F/8 Cav, BT225440, detained 1 MAM with no ID.
51	1630	11th, C/3/1, BS800427 at 0930H, detained 4 VCS identified by National Police as VC.
52	1320	196th, TOC, CS drop at 0545H tomorrow at AT8921, 9021, 9022.
53	1055	(delayed entry) I Corps, TOC, ARVN convoy from DaNang to Quang Ngai on 29 Jul. Return on 30 Jul. Call sign: Cyclone Bobcat. Freq in Quang Tin Prov 42.8, freq in Quang Ngai Prov 67.35.
54	1910	1/1, TOC, air mission, 196th to 1/1, F/8 Cav request #CD281 snatch mission, call sign: 4/3 (Norseman 65). 5 on station, 5 on standby. Time on station and on standby: 5:25. Res: mission not accomplished rec'd hvy fire in area.
55	1053	(delayed entry) 196th, 4/21, at 1053H, now have an AO ext into the 1/1 AO and would like to have this ground permanently so they can cover Hwy #535. Request for permanent boundary change. Temporary AO ext granted by G-3. Will have to clear permanent one with CG. Continuation granted until 30 July at 2400H.

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1	0001	Journal Opened
2	0240	198th, C/5/46, vic BT970358 at 0142H, rec'd 1 HG on west side of perimeter, NCD, couldn't obs movement.
3	0743	39th Engr, C/39, vic BS717598 at 0645H, rec'd 3 rds sniper fire from BS727600, ret'd with SA and AW. Continued mine sweep.
4	0746	196th, C/3/21, vic BT082238 at 0630H, obs 1 MAM evading south, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, 25-30 yrs old, wearing tan shirt & trousers, carrying a hot pot of rice, neg wpn or ID.
5	0237	Quang Ngai, 2d ARVN, Opn 1145, 290300H, 1 day, 1 PF plat, infiltration, call sign: Rice Cutlass Alpha, freq 48.70, coord BS645635, 663836. Opn 1143, 290600H, 1 day, 11 PF plats, containment, call sign Rice Cutlass Alpha, freq 48.70, coord BS6069, 6369, 6763, 6064. Rec'd from PFC Seals 290237H.
6	0810	USASF, Gia Vuc, P-168 (34 pers) Rcn, 300500H to 031800H Aug, BS3136, 3536, 3532, 3132. P-167 (20 pers) Rcn, 280500H to 011800H Aug, BS3125, 3120, 3520, 3525.
7	0825	11th, Aero Scouts Inf, vic BS521753 at 0817H, inf plat inserted at 0817H.
8	0843	198th, D/1/52, vic BS553810 at 0745H, rec'd 30 rds of AW fire, ret'd fire, checked area w/neg results.
9	0852	196th, C/3/21, vic BT089237 at 0820H, obs 1 MAM evading north, eng'd with SA fire, res: 1 VC KIA, dressed in black shirt, tan shorts, age 30-35, neg wpn.
10	0852	196th, R/5/46, vic AT908367 at 0751H, obs 5 NVA in open moving south, khaki uniforms, had wpns, 500m, eng'd with SA fire, called 4.2 mortars, will check area later.
11	0903	11th, Aero Scouts, vic BS522755 at 0858H, inf platoon detained 2 VCS, will evac, inf plat was extracted.
12	0930	196th, C/4/21, vic BT046385 at 0845H, point man tripped BT HG, 2 WHA (E), dusted off by CC. In file formation 10-12 meters apart, neg signs or warning devices.
13	0930	Tam Ky, TOC, Opn QT-70-T closed.
14	0906	1/1 TOC, at 0906H, snatch at BT102029, 1 female evading, evac to Bayonet. At BT118027, rec'd AW fire, neg hits. BT115029 obs tunnel, freshly dug. 1012H, also found 1 US canteen approx 10' from where the female was picked up.
15	0907	196th, C/3/21, vic BT088235 at 0845H, obs 1 MAM evading south, eng'd with M-60, res: 1 VC KIA, dressed in tan shirt, black shorts, 30-35 yrs old, neg ID or wpn.
16	1008	Tien Phuoc, C-142, recon will have opn in the following 4 corner square, BT1013, BT1513, BT1507, BT1007, for 291800H to 031800H.
17	1057	196th, D/3/21, vic BT028248 at 1000H, while on patrol obs 5 VC evading west, eng'd with SA & M-79 fire, res: 1 VC KIA. Dressed in black PJ's, neg ID, documents, or wpns. Other 4 evaded NW, called 4.2 mortars.
18	1045	Americal CI (Eval C-3) 1.) Elements of the 2d NVA Division currently loc vic BS285960 Tra Qua, Quang Nam (P). Mission is to attack allied forces in Quang Tin (P), CO: Dan Quan Trung. 2.) VC Regiment is currently loc vic BS357962. Mission is to move to Ly Tin and attack Chu Lai Base In Aug 68. CO: Dinh Thai. Uniform: green w/helmets, wpns: unk type hvy wpns & anti-aircraft guns. 3.) One VC company designated "Lua" (Flaming Co) currently loc vic BT395073. Mission is to coordinate with unit mentioned in para 2, this report for attacks in the Chu Lai area. Dates of attacks unk at this time.
19	1053	198th, TOC, at 1020H 196th took command of LZ East.
20	1055	TOC to 196th & 198th, the following message was passed to 196th & 198th over secure radio at 1050H. "Effective with the closure of the majority of B/3/21 at LZ East, the 196th Bde will assume responsibility for that portion of the Wheeler/Wallowa AO bounded as follows: from BT141220 east along the south edge of the road to BT170220, then SE to BT180217, then SE to BT186210, then generally south around the high ground to BT188200. Then SW to BT150191, then SW to the Tien Phuoc Safe Area boundary at BT134171.
21	1100	196th, D/3/21, vic BT036244 at 0945H, obs 2 VC dressed in black PJ's, 800m SW of their loc, called in fire mission, checked area, found 1 VC KIA, no ID or equipment.
22	1106	11th, D/3/1, vic BS723564 at 1035H, detained 2 VCS evading, turned over to National Police at Mo Duc.
23	1110	11th, A/1/20, vic BS875325 at 1040H, hit M14 AP mine which was behind the Mess Hall. Shrapnel in foot and leg, Dustoff completed at 1055H.
24	1125	196th, CIDG/4/3, vic BT921267 at 0900H, captured 1 VC/NVA hiding in hootch, dressed in khaki uniform, age 27 yrs old, had docs & wpn, M-1 carbine SN 641081, evac to 196th IPW.
25	1135	11th, TOC, AO request for LRRP Viceroy in present AO, request time be extended from 311800H to 021900H August, AO: BS4669, 4869, 4673, 4873, passed to Quang Ngai, PFC Lopez.
26	1140	11th, C/3/1, vic BS780463 at 1130H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
27	1140	198th, TOC, at 0801H, D/1/46 began air move from BT096235 to LZ Bowman, at 1031H completed. B/1/46 move from Bowman to BT211088 completed at 1005H. C/1/46 from East to Young to BT178087 completed at 1127H.
28	1150	Adv Log Cmd Tam Ky, at 1150H a 20 vehicle convoy will be moving from Quang Ngai to Tam Ky, departure time is 290900H and arrival time 291300H, security: armored car and 1 Co, cargo: personnel, food, and ammunition.

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29	1215	196th, TOC, at 0826H, air movement of D/4/31 from Mellon to East completed at 0955H. Movement of 2/5 ARVN to AT798295 completed at 1017H. Movement of B/3/21 completed at 1105H. Movement of B/3/16 completed at 1215H to Tien Phuoc.
30	1308	1/1, B/1/1, vic BT217454 at 1300H, detained 1 VCS, will evac to Hawk Hill.
31	1336	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT257400 at 1328H, detained 1 MAM, will evac to Hawk Hill, neg ID.
32	1345	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT239426 at 1339H, detained 1 MAM w/neg ID, evac to Hawk Hill.
33	1345	196th, C/3/21, vic BT074232 at 1100H, found 1000 lbs of rice in a hootch, only person in area was a boy, he said his mother is dead and his father is in Tien Phuoc, sister in market, rice will be evac to Nui Loc Son BT028282.
34	1349	196th, CC/4/3, vic AT935276 at 1322H, obs 3 MAM evading to SW, eng'd with AW (M-60), res: 1 VC KIA, other 2 VC ran into a hole, neg wpn, ID, or equip.
35	1400	1st Mar Div, vic AT998522 at 2345H, H/2/7 obs 30 enemy moving north, called 60mm mission. After mission, rec'd 10 rds SA, res: 2 USMC WIA.
36	1405	196th, R/3/21, air move to Tien Phuoc, completed at 1211H.
37	1421	196th, TOC, 11th Mike Force with C/4/3 air moved to Baldy at 1420H.
38	1430	196th, CC/4/3, vic AT937279 at 1420H, obs 2 MAM evading, dressed in black PJ's, eng'd with AW fire, res: 2 VC KIA, neg wpns or equipment.
39	1435	11th, B/3/1, vic BS825455 at 1415H, detained 2 VCS evading, evac to LZ Liz.
40	1435	11th, B/1/20, vic BS555_96 at 280705, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA (For Info Only).
41	1415	198th, readout of POW captured at BT169137 on 281508H July 1968 by A/1/46. He is a member of the District Force Guerrillas (C-7) which is assigned to the 21st Regt. He was acting as a guide for a recon unit from the 21st Regt to find a route from Tam Ky to Hau Duc district through Phuoc Hiep, Phuoc Thanh, Phoung Dong. A HQ is located at vic ZC180125, does not know where 21st Regt HQ is located.
42	1442	196th, TOC, 2xC-130's departed LZ Baldy for DaNang at 1430H with Mike Forces. 1xC-130 departed LZ Baldy to DaNang at 1500H, 1xC-130 departed LZ Baldy for DaNang with Mike Force at 1528H. This completed Mike Force move to DaNang.
43	1500	196th, Mike Force 15 with 5/46, air moved to LZ Baldy, complete at 1445H.
44	1500	11th, B/3/1, vic BS839427 at 1450H, eng'd 2 VC, res: 2 VC KIA.
45	1515	198th, read out on detainee that was captured by F/8 Cav 290906H vic BT102029, detainee was a VC hamlet guerrilla from Thon Hai Hamlet #2, Tien Tra (V), Ha Duc (D). Detainee said during the day she farmed with her family and at night she was a hamlet guard, she was armed with a K-44, she would fire warning shot when she saw someone coming. She said she had been a hamlet guerrilla for 2 months. IPW, 198th, classified her as a CD.
46	1517	196th, B/2/1, vic AT844313 at 1505H, found inside a hootch 1 US movie camera made in Boston, Mass, SN 1343539, 3 NVA gas masks, 1 set black PJ's, 1 NVA clean uniform, 4 blocks of TNT, 1/4 lb, evac to Baldy.
47	1520	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT218464 at 1515H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
48	1615	1/1, B/1/1, vic BT195450 at 1600H, 1xM48A3 tank hit a mine at BT195450. Damage to tank: three right rear road wheel assemblies were blown off. Diameter of hole was 12 feet wide, 6 feet deep, mine was a nitro-starch (18 to 25 lbs) pressure detonated, not a combat loss, neg WHA.
49	1625	1/1, B/1/1, vic BT195450 at 1620H, detained 1 MAM, will evac to Hawk Hill.
50	1637	2d ROK Bde, vic BT075515 at 1555H, rec'd 20 rds 60mm and hvy SA fire, res: 6 KMC WHA, still in contact.
51	1645	11th, D/3/1, vic BS812468 at 1600H, detained 1 MAM evading, evac to LZ Liz.
52	1700	CLDC alert condition Green effective 1800H.
53	1714	196th, A/2/1, vic AT847296 at 1458H, obs 1 NVA, fired 5 to 6 rds at A/2/1, then tried to evade 150m from their loc, eng'd with SA fire, res: 1 NVA KIA. Dressed in green uniform, helmet, 1 US ammo pouch, 5 ft DET Cord, 1 VC gas mask, 1 NVA ammo pouch, 2 AK-47 magazines, 1 set cleaning kit, 1 AK-47 w/folding type stock.
54	1715	196th, C/3/21, vic AT893236 at 1555H, found inside two bunkers 4' x 4', 1900 lbs of unpolished rice and nearby in a hootch found 6 VN, 4 females, 2 males, who went to be relocated to safe area, sent to Nui Loc Son, rice destroyed.
55	1720	11th, C/3/1, vic BS820468 at 1700H, detained 1 VCS evading, evac to LZ Liz.
56	1725	196th, A/2/1, vic AT848297 at 1255H, rec'd 50 rds AW fire, 150 meters, 45° from their loc, ret'd fire with SA fire, called arty w/unl results. At 1303H, in same area, found magazine full with AK-47 rds, found a blood trail running NW, followed blood trail with neg results.
57	1727	196th, A/2/1, vic AT845298 at 1247H, found a large ammo pouch with 3 pouches inside of it and 3 small ones on the outside. Had AK-47 mag full of ammo, 1 pouch had AK-47 cleaning equipment. Also, at AT845298 found fresh blood.
58	1728	198th, FAC, vic AT908981 at 1500H, obs a camp fire, they turned around to take another look and someone had put the fire out.

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59	1625	11th, Aero Scouts, BS455749 at 1000H, rec'd AW fire, took 1 rd in transmission. Ship flew to Quang Ngai for repairs.
60	1815	TOC, called the 198th Bde (SGT Seaton) and the 196th Bde (LT Salazar) to remind each that the ARVN convoy would be returning from Quang Ngai to DaNang on 30 July. 198th to provide MP escort from Binh Son to Tam Ky. 196th to provide MP escort from Tam Ky to Div northern boundary. Reminded LTC Luper, Div FSE, of the convoy and he said Div AO would cover convoy.
61	1825	196th, 4/21, BT108424 at 1650H, VN woman approached convoy on the way from Ross to LZ Baldy and gave them four 4.2" rds. Ammo was destroyed.
62	1620	196th, LRRP Camel, AT889176 at 1610H, team rec'd sniper fire from 2 VC. Team had 1 man fall in punji pit, res: 1 WHA (M). Team extracted at 1610H.
63	1645	196th, C/4/21, BT060387 at 1445H, obs 8 MAM evading E, 200m in front of their loc. Fired warning shots and yelled for them to halt, eng'd with SA. Detained 4 VCS, 2 evaded W. 2 KIA, 1 wearing black shorts and white shirt, 1 dressed in white shirt and brown shorts. 3 detainees produced ID card, 1 had no ID. He was 40 yrs old and wearing black PJ's. The other 3 were 40-45 yrs old. 1 of the 2 that got away dropped a hat with a pistol belt inside w/first aid packet. Had 5 rds of 7.62mm AK-47 ammo.
64	1655	198th, C/1/46, BT167078 at 1645H, resupply chopper, flying to C/1/46's loc, exploded. 2 KHA, 8 WHA (E), 1 MHA. Chopper blew up in the air, BT167078. Further info: as acct was flying into loc, a mine went off. Crater was 15m in dia, 10ft deep.
65	1900	196th, D/3/21, BT077275 at 1830H, obs 5 VC in open dressed in black PJ's. Called arty, res: 2 KIA, others moved E to wood line. Arty was called on wood line w/good coverage. At 1720H, report total of 5 KIA.
66	1930	196th, TOC, LRRP Tareyton, extracted to LZ Mellon at 1810H.
67	2000	196th, C/4/21, BT049403 at 1940H, rec'd 10-15 rds of AW fire. NCD. Called arty on above grid, firing stopped. Neg results.
68	1625	196th, A/3/21, BT055209 at 1330H, Kit Carson Scout found 1 WIA VN male near A/3/21's laager position. Came back to CP for help. A/3/21 went to check out, found 1 dead VN. He was still warm. He was nude, lying out in the bushes. A VN female states he was a NVA. He was wounded 5 days ago by arty. A VN female and father asked to be relocated to a safe area. They were moved to Nui Loc Son. 1 NVA (C) killed by arty. (Body count).
69	1840	196th, A/2/1, AT847296 at 1659H, obs 1 NVA dressed in green uniform evading, eng'd, res: 1 NVA WIA/CIA. 3x B-41 rockets CIA, 3 unk type aiming devices CIA, 1 manual on B-41 rocket CIA. NVA states he is from 40th Bn. He is a commo chief with the rank of SGT. He said 3 NVA Bn's were in the area where he was captured, 1 week ago they withdrew to the NE. He states 40 NVA were left at Thach Bich because they had malaria. He said 20 NVA from his unit were in contact w/Americans 1 day last week. 10 of them were wounded, 8 seriously. They have a doctor with them. He said he was a teacher in Hanoi until he was drafted 1 year ago. He also said 3 NVA were killed yesterday by air strike in a stream bed near where he was captured. This is a field read out. NVA is in the hospital at LZ Baldy at this time.
70	2030	CLDC, 9th Engr, BT490037 at 1930H, obs 12 VCS w/wpns moving NNE.
71	2100	CLDC, SGT of Guard, msg from MAJ Brice: There will be no lights for the rest of the night as the generator has burned out. (No specific area mentioned).
72	1950	198th, R/1/52, PZ 1915H, LZ474896 at 1935H.
73	2105	11th, C/1/20, BS757392 at 2051H, a squad of C/1/20 was moving to ambush position. Obs 1 VC running into a hut to alert 4 other VC who fled the area. Unit eng'd the 4 VC, res: 1 VC KIA, black PJ's, no ID, 18 to 20 yrs old.
74	2040	TF Cooksey, 5th ARVN Regt, at 1030H, AT082290, captured 1 VC. At 1655H, ZC215298, 2/5 ARVN killed 1 VC.
75	1830	(delayed entry) 11th SGT Gaylord, request AO ext from 70 grid line, N - 50E - 60S -40 W. ASAP, 1 Sept 1800H. Passed to Quang Ngai and Special Forces. At 2100H, disregard, superseded by AO request of 2100H.
76	2015	Tam Ky, 2d ARVN, Opn D-40 starts 291800H. CIDG for 5 days, BT100130, 143130, 145170, 100170. Opn QT/71T, starts 300500H. RF/PF Opn. 1 day, coord: BT1314, 1710, 1711, 1311. Passed to 198th. They approved at 2215H.
77	2115	MAG-13, Civ Affairs, the 409th Bn are now at Tu Chanh and Ky Thanh. A plat CO is Phan Taung, now at Tri Binh.
78	2120	Tam Ky, 4/6 ARVN, Opn TD-41, time: 300200H, 1 day. 4/6 Bn, 2d ARVN Bn, coord: BT2423, 2419, 2823, 2819.
79	2205	198th, D/1/6, BT378174 at 2105H, obs 10 rds mortar land 1000m SW of above coord. Also saw 2 white star clusters at BT365178. Also SA and AW fire. The rds that landed were too far away to determine size or type.
80	2205	198th, CAP 113, BT365178 at 2105H, had contact w/approx 1 VC Co. Gunships were scrambled at 2131H. At 2130, 2 VC KIA, 2 wpns CIA.
81	1830	Americal CI, Eval F-3, at 1830H. At 0830H, 29 Jul 68, 1 VC Main Force Co designated 706th moved to BT373085. Unit is currently located at these coordinates. Mission is to attack Ba Bau & Ong Bo bridges and PF posts in Ky Chanh. Attacks to take place during period 29 Jul - 2 Aug 68. CO: Nguyen Trinh. At approx 0800H, 29 Jul 68, 1 Sapper plat (designation unk) moved to and are still located at vic BT358139. Mission is to attack & harass Ly Tre Relocation Center & Ba Bau Bridge during period 29 Jul - 2 Aug 68. CO: Huynh Thuc.

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1	0001	Journal Opened
2	0040	196th, 3/21, vic BT024289 at 2400H, 3/21 element, Nui Loc Son, rec'd 30 rds AW fire, at 1650m NW of their location. 3/21 fired 81mm, AW fire stopped, NCD.
3	0145	196th, IPW report: Name: Nguyen Duc Thuy, Rank/Pos: SGT/squad leader, Unit: 3d squad, 1st platoon, 4th Engr Co, 1st NVA Regt, 2d NVA Div, Strength: 36 men per company, source doesn't know Regt or Div strength, Condition of Unit: Unk, Infil Gp: Unk, LBN: Unk, Unit Location: believed moved W and crossed Son Thu Bon River at AT794300 approx 5 days ago, Mission: Unk, Capturing Unit: A/2/1, 196th Bde, Location of Capture: AT847296, Present loc of source: NSA Hospital Ward 6B, DaNang. Source stated there is a hospital vic AT847296 manned by 40 men (32 infantrymen & 8 engineers). III MAF will interrogate.
4	0200	196th, IPW report: Name: Lang Quang Vau, Rank/Pos: CPL/squad leader, Unit: 6th squad, 3d platoon, 4th Co, 44th Bn, 1st Regt, 2d NVA Div., Strength: approx 75 men in 4th Co, source has no ides of strength of Bn or Regt, Infil Gp: 251 Bn (14 Jan 67), LBN: HT 5601 Ap Nam Reg, Unit Location: Source believes 1st Regt has moved to Son Phuc vic AT9237, Mission: to attack DaNang, Capturing Unit: C/2/1, 196th Bde, Location of Capture: Unk, Present location of source: LZ Baldy. Source stated 1st platoon has 3x82mm, 2d platoon has 2x.50 cal AA guns, 3rd platoon has 4xB-41 rocket launchers and 2x57mm Recoilless Rifles, Co is short on men & food, but has good supply of ammo.
5	0230	11th, Mo Duc, vic BS725543 at 0100H, 4.2 at LZ Dragon fired a mission for Mo Duc. They rec'd SA fire from est VC platoon. NCD.
6	0400	198th, CAP 113, vic BT356178, ref journal entry #80, change VC KIA from 7 KIA, 7 wpns CIA to 2 VC KIA, 2 wpns CIA, 3 civilians WHA (M).
7	0601	CLDC, normal condition at 0600H.
8	0640	11th, B/3/1, vic BS786477 at 0630H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
9	0700	(delayed entry) 198th, 1/46, vic BT175135 at 1902H, obs 30 to 40 VC approx 900m away, at 291906H, fired arty w/neg results, friendly troops were too far away to engage w/SAF, planned sweep will be made of area.
10	0708	196th, CIDG/4/3, vic AT927270 at 0630H, eng'd 1 MAM evading from hootch, he evaded to the north, eng'd w/SA fire, res: 1 VC KIA, wearing black PJ's, no wpn, ID, or documents. At 0632H, in same area, obs 1 female evading to the north in black PJ's, was eng'd w/SA fire, res: 1 VC KIA, 20-30 yrs old.
11	291855	198th, request time extension on AO located from BS5779, north to boundary & east to boundary, Time extended to 312400H. Passed to Quang Ngai, PFC Seals, PFC Seals called 292020H, Quang Ngai has cleared this. Msg sent to III MAF.
12	0710	Quang Ngai, Advanced Logistics Command, convoy, 0900H time of departure, destination Quang Ngai, Tam Ky, ETA 1300H, security is armored car and 1 Company, 20 vehicles, cargo, personnel, food, ammo, POL.
13	0730	11th, B/3/1, vic BS772465 at 0710H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
14	0730	11th, B/3/1, vic BS770487 at 0645H, eng'd 2 VC evading, res: 2 VC KIA.
15	0730	11th, B/3/1, vic BS775473 at 0700H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
16	0750	11th, LRRP Parliament, vic BS530633, inserted at 0740H.
17	0755	TFC, ARVN 3/5 Bn, vic AT830264 at 292145H, eng'd 2 VC w/SA fire, res: 2 VC KIA, 1 IW CIA (type unknown).
18	0756	39th Engr, C/39, vic BS717596 at 0700H, rec'd 10 rds of SA fire from coord BS727603, ret'd fire with SA & AW fire, NCD, continued road sweep.
19	0800	198th, C/1/46, vic BT168071 at 0710H, eng'd 1 NVA moving west on a trail, res: 1 NVA KIA, 1 ruck sack CIA, 1 pack CIA, 1 Chicom HG CIA. NVA was wearing a camouflaged uniform.
20	0802	11th, CC/3/1, vic BS725485 at 0740H, detained 2 VCS MAM evading, evac to LZ Liz.
21	0810	Tien Phuoc, vic AT928267 at 0800H, Opn C-133 captured 1 VC w/wpns, 4/3 Inf, (Norsman 65) carbine vic AT928267, states VC morale is low and also food supply. (Info Only).
22	0827	196th, 4/3 CIDG, vic AT935273 at 0605H, captured 1 MAM evading out of a hootch. Dressed in khaki uniform and had an M-1 carbine and some documents, 28 yrs old.
23	0830	Tien Phuoc, Opn C-133, killed 2 VC and captured one. They had political cadre with them for morale reasons. VC came down into valley to collect food and morale is low. (Info Only.)
24	0835	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT245525 at 0829H, detained 2 MAM.
25	0900	CPT Henderson. Gia Vuc, P-169 (26 pers) Rcn, 311900H to 041800H, corners BS3921, 4421, 4417, 3917. Ha Thanh, P-172 (6 CSF, 21 Americal) Rcn, 290500H to 021700H, corners BS4166, 4666, 4170, 4670. P-171 (25 pers) Rcn, 300500H to 021700H, corners BS3270, 3570, 3273, 3573. C-170 (155 pers) S/D, 310500H to 031700H, corners BS4062, 4462, 4067, 4467. P-168 & P-169 closed 281700H. Nong Son, P-9 (57 pers) Rcn, 300800H to 041800H, corners AT1834, 1838, ZC7934, 8238. Ba To, P-142 (21 pers) Amb, 291800H to 031100H, corners BS4835, 5535, 5532, 4831. Minh Long, C-120 (115 pers) Rcn, 010430H to 051930H, corners BS4347, 4343, 4943, 4947. P-119 (51 pers) Rcn, 310500H to 041930H, corners BS4354, 4351, 4751, 4754.

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26	0905	11th, B/3/1, vic BS717470 at 0830H, detained 20 VCS, National Police questioning at this time, have 12 VCS left. 1 VC was from C-19th. Have detained an additional 20 VCS, total of 40 detained by B/3/1, taken to LZ Bronco.
27	0915	Div Arty AO, approx 50 personnel moving E along road (trail) toward grid BT246181 Kham Tam, approx 300-500 personnel at BT246181. Looked like a meeting of some type.
28	0925	198th, C/1/46, vic BT167088 at 0915H, found downed chopper in above grid, inside of chopper were 5 to 6 VN, unit called in fire mission and eng'd w/SA fire.
29	0955	198th, D/1/52, vic BS554796 at 0945H, unit in contact with est VC squad, gunships on station, FAC also on station. At 1000H, unit has 1 WHA (E), still in contact, contact broken at 1040H, 1 VC KIA, 1 VC CIA.
30	0956	11th, C/3/1, vic BS784476 at 0915H, detained 1 VCS MAM, no ID.
31	1000	196th, A/3/21, vic BT030212 at 0828H, obs 1 MAM evading west 50m from their loc, eng'd w/SA fire, res: 1 VC KIA, dressed in black PJ's.
32	1015	198th, B/1/52, vic BS629992 at 1005H, element in contact receiving SA fire, broke at 1010H.
33	1000	SF LNO, CPT Henderson, Opns C-120 and P-117 from Minh Long cancelled.
34	1025	198th, LT Blanco, request ext of AO. Passed to Quang Ngai. Pivot point is BS5878, N from there to 580817, then from pivot point W to 550780, from 301000H to 312400H. Approved by Quang Ngai, passed to 198th Bde.
35	1040	196th, D/3/21, BT044244 at 1000H, obs 1 MAM up in a tree, appeared to have a wpn. Eng'd at 50m w/SA fire, res: 1 VC KIA, no wpn or ID.
36	1042	198th, B/1/46, BT220074 at 1042H, element in contact, rec SA fire. Are now firing arty. Broke contact at 1055H.
37	1045	196th, C/3/21, 086220 at 0830H, obs 1 MAM evading to the N, 300m from their loc. Eng'd with M-60, res: 1 VC KIA. Dressed in khakis, approx 30 yrs old. Had no docs, ID, or equip.
38	1045	198th, B/1/46, BT218067 at 1038H, rec'd 10 rds of sniper fire from above loc. Arty being fired at this time.
39	1057	1/1, B/1/1, BT243402 at 1055H, detained 1 MAM, will evac to Hawk Hill.
40	1103	PMO, BS628990 at 0930H, PM and deputy PM were w/river S patrol of 198th. Rec'd approx 150 rds of SA fire. NCD. Approx 5-12 VC on ridgeline.
41	1110	11th, R/1/20, BS513676 at 0950H, while moving N in creek bed, obs 5 VC, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA. 1 pack, some papers, 1 blur uniform, 1 black uniform, 1 green uniform, 1 pistol belt, 2 Chicom HG's CIA. Other 4 VC evaded N. 1 wore khaki uniform and the other 3 wore black PJ's. Papers captured reveal KIA was an officer. Paper will be evac this afternoon.
42	1115	198th, CC D/1/52, BS554796 at 1110H, rec'd approx 45 rds of AW fire. Neg casualties, don't know if ship took any hits. Will check.
43	1130	196th, B/4/21, BT106455 at 1009H, obs hvy wire in grid. Wire was attached to a 155 rd. Set up for AT mine. Mine blown in place.
44	1150	11th, CC/3/1, BS742564 at 1130H, detained 7 VCS evading. Will evac to LZ Liz.
45	1230	196th, A/2/1, AT853296 at 1155H, found 4 NVA packs in brush near trail. In pack was list of EM names of an unk unit, one daily work sheet, 2 fuzes for unk type rocket, 1 large drinking cup, 2 small bottles of oil, 1 AK-47 ammo pouch w/100 rds AK-47 ammo, 1 #10 can of polished rice, 2 small tubes of ointment, 1/4m of commo wire, 1 bore brush of light 60mm mortar, 1 box med supplies, 2 NVA green uniforms. Docs and med supplies will be evac.
46	1235	11th, Aero Scouts, BS340306 at 1115H, snatched 1 VCS. Will evac to CP.
47	1243	196th, A/3/21, BT044227 at 1000H, obs 2 females working in field. When they saw unit they evaded, res: 2 females detained. Will evac to LZ Baldy. In same area, obs 2 VC evading out of hut, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, dressed in black PJ's. The other VC escaped. He was wearing a green uniform. Dis not obs wpn.
48	1310	11th, LRRP Parliament, at 1040H, obs 3 VC moving E at BS524621, 2 in gray uniforms, 1 in black PJ's. At 1140H, obs 2 VC moving E at BS529620, 1 in gray shirt w/pack, 1 in black PJ's w/wpn.
49	1331	11th, A/3/1, BS684563 at 1305H, hit a homemade BT, res: 1 WHA (E). Minor shrapnel wounds.
50	1350	196th, CC/4/21, BT088475 at 1300H, obs 2 MAM evading SW. Were detained. Age: 1 was 25 yrs, green uniform, neg ID. 1 was 15 yrs, dressed in white PJ's, neg ID. 1 was carrying a sandbag. Inside was 5 sets of clothing, green, white, and black. 1 transistor radio, 1 wallet w/1300 P's inside.
51	1425	11th, Aero Scouts, BS475757 at 1115H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA.
52	1425	196th, A/2/1, AT854296 at 1334H, found 3 NVA green uniforms, 2 AK-47 mags, 2 NVA ammo pouches, 1 NVA pack w/docs, 44 rds of .50 cal ammo and 2 mosquito nets. Docs will be evac, rest will be destroyed. Equip was found inside 8 huts.
53	1445	196th, S-2 4/21, BT079387 at 1430H, 26th Engr had dump truck hit mine, res: 1 WHA (E). Blew crater 4'x3'. Dump truck total loss.
54	1452	196th, A/26 Engr, BT082389 at 1300H, obs 2 VN boys hit a BT, res: 1 KHA, 1 WHA. Also, 3 US EM suffered ear drum damage from explosion. BT was electrical detonator, trip wire was attached to a limb so that if anyone brushed limb it would explode.

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55	1510	11th, ref journal entry #26. 23 of the 40 detainees were released as IC.
56	1515	1/1, BT235402 at 1447H, obs 2 MAM and 1 woman evading, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 VC WIA/CIA female. The other one got away. WIA was evac to LZ Baldy.
57	1515	196th, request continuance of AO ext into 1/1 area vic Rte 535 until 012400H. Passed to 1/1. Approved by them. Passed to 196th.
58	1530	11th, B/3/1, ref journal entry #26. B/3/1 captured 20 VC. 1 stated he was a member of C-2-19. This report found statement to be false, no further info at this time.
59	1540	11th, B/3/1, BS756458 at 1440H, detained 2 VCS. Evac to Liz.
60	1611	196th, FO/4/3, AT930225 at 1515H, obs 1 VC digging a foxhole thru binoculars from LZ O'Conner, at 1600m. Called arty, res: 1 VC KIA.
61	1640	CLDC, at 1800H alert condition "Green".
62	1630	Quang Ngai, a rallier came into ARVN's 29 Jul. He gave the following grids as loc of the 3d Regt, 2d NVA Div. AA Btry at BT040205, 1 Bn at BT053204, 1 BN at BT082203, 1 Bn at BT114230. Rallier came into Tien Phuoc. Passed to 196th.
63	1720	196th, A/2/1, AT857297 at 1630H, found 2x82mm rds w/o fuzes, 2 huts 12' square and 12 bunkers, 1 classroom w/benches and desks. Classrooms will hold 30 personnel. Also found barber shop w/hair on the floor. All destroyed.
64	1752	11th, LRRP Parliament, BS527637 at 1752H, has position compromised when VN saw them while moving to night loc. Will be extracted.
65	1815	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT165223 at 1810H, 1 MAM evaded, res: 1 VC KIA.
66	1831	11th, LRRP Parliament extracted.
67	1845	1/1, F/8 Cav, BT197224 at 1835H, obs 2 VC evading, eng'd, res: 2 VC KIA, xM-1 carbines, 1 Chicom HG, 2xM36 HG's, 2x.30 cal mags, and 2 sets web gear CIA.
68	1915	DTOC, C/S directed DTOC to notify 11th Bde CO that proposed CA has been approved by the CG.
69	2005	198th, 1/46, LZ Bowman at 1900H, obs 15 VN in file at BT257145. Called arty, res: 1 KIA-through binoculars.
70	1935	Amcal Div, SGT of the Guard, condition "Green" 1932H.
71	2049	11th, D/3/1, BS741524 at 2015H, reported hearing 2 loud explosions. 11th has requested early morning VR to check area.
72	2050	196th, B/4/21, BT087465 at 2030H, ambush sprung on 3 VC with SA fire at 25m. VC were moving N to S. Res: 1 VC KIA, 2 WIA/CIA. KIA was male, 35 yrs old, wearing white PJ's. 1 WIA serious was female. 1 WIA (M) was male. Had neg wpns, packs, equip, or docs. WIA were dusted off.
73	0800	(delayed entry) G-3, AO ext for Americal Div for recon and surveillance opn as follows: From BS2674 E to BS4074, SE to Song Tra Khuc at BS433700, SW along river to BS418684, then S along Song Tam Rao to BS418684, then S along to BS4662, then S to BS4658, then SE to Dist Boundary at BS475560, then S along boundary to BS470507, then S to BS4740, then W to Prov Boundary at BS260408, then N along 26 N-S grid line to BS2674. Area would include the Ha Thanh SF safe area. Time: from 290001H to 122400H Aug 68. Passed to CPT Henderson. Passed to 11th Bde. Msg sent to III MAF.
74	1320	(delayed entry) 198th, AO pivot point: BS4281. From pivot point E to Americal Boundary at BS487810 and from pivot point N to Americal AO at BS420890. Extended to 072400H. Approval passed from Quang Ngai. 198th notified, will coordinate with Tra Bong before developing opn.
75	1406	(delayed entry) Tra Bong, SF Co (76) requests that 198th not go or fire S or W of coord 4287 without contacting Diamond Head, which is on their freq (44.90). 198th coordinated request.
76	1705	196th, 2d ARVN, ZC203290 at 1540H, returnee led them to a clothing cache containing 200 winter coats and 1000 sets of NVA uniforms. All destroyed.
77	1735	196th, Hook ship, 4/3, BS930225 at 1710H, rec'd 15-20 rds of AW fire, neg hits. 4.2" mission fired in area w/unlk results.
78	2050	198th, CAP 131, BS506898 at 2050H (C-3 rating). Villagers spotted 200 VC loc ay My Loc, BS506898 in complete uniform w/indiv wpns and 4x81mm mortars. Mission: to attack Binh Son from the S.
79	2100	(delayed entry from 29 Jul) 11th, TOC, request ab AO ext for the period ASAP to 022400H Aug 68 for the following area: From BS4870 S to BS4862, then E to BS5762, then N to BS5770, then to start point 4870. Changed to read: BS4870, 4862, 5462, 5470. Approved.
80	1635	(delayed entry) TACP, FAC departed LZ Baldy at 1230H en route in VR vic Kham Duc (ZC0814). No one has had contact w/FAC since he departed. Acft 1 hr and 30 min overdue to LZ Baldy. Air Force has another acft going out to look for overdue acft. Further info: At 1245H, FAC talked to 4/31 and told them he was N of Kham Duc. 196th has 5 acft looking for FAC now.
81	1700	(delayed entry) Coastal Group 15, VN Navy, CPT Greene, will be patrolling the lagoon during rest of week w/Psyops opns for Chieu Hoi and curfew requests to VN. Vic BT4513, 4710, 5012. Passed to 198th.

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2	2145	(delayed entry from 30 Jul) 198th, CAP 134, at 2010H Agent report: Approx 100 VC moving from BS639742 to BS641979 with 1x60mm and indiv wpns. Mission: to hit CAP 134 and Son Tra #2 hamlet.
3	2215	(delayed entry from 30 Jul) MAG-13, Civ Affairs, BT395073, 1 unit (Ha Lua), CO: Mung, at BT395073. Enemy Montagnards.
4	2220	(delayed entry from 30 Jul) MAG-13, Civ Affairs, from 1-8 Aug, An Ton will be attacked and shelled. Ambush will be set up for American supporting elements. 1 plat VC, ambush will be near Long Phai, Hwy #1. Each plat has 7xB-40 launchers, 4x.30cal MG, and 8xAW. Also Chu Lai and "New Life Village" will be attacked because of American Aid.
5	0049	Tam Ky, CIDG Opn, CIDG patrol, 310600H, 1 day, coord: BT0911, BT1111, BT1108, BT0908, 198th approved. Opn 35-3, 3 RF Co's, 310500H, securing BT1315, 1815, 1812, 1312, passed to SP4 Hodge 198th. Want length on Opn 35, 1 day, 198th cleared this at 310315H, passed to Tam Ky.
6	0630	Quang Ngai Operations, Opn N-20, time 310800H, number of personnel unk, RF 3-8 units, 38-936, 713, 716, clearing operation, 6977, 6973, 7273, 3272. Opn No 35, time 310500H, 1 day operation, RF units, No 2, 238, 721, 724, cordon and search, vic 1315, 1815, 1812, 1312, rec'd from Quang Ngai at 310630H, SFC Billings.
7	0700	11th Bde CA of 1/20 completed at 0642H, all LZ's cold.
8	0725	198th, D/1/46, vic BT2491_9 at 0715H, eng'd 1 VC, res: 1 VC KIA w/web belt and 1 Chicom grenade, no wpn.
9	0855	198th, C/1/46, vic BT164071 at 0845H, rec'd 1 mortar rd (82mm), res: 2 WHA (E).
10	0900	Americal CI MSS Det (Eval B-3), One NVA Bn (designation unk) currently vic BT395073, mission is to attack Ly Tin District HQ's and burn An Tan (H) during period 1-8 Aug. CO: Dinh Thai, Wpns: plastic mines, 6xB-40 rockets, 6xMG's, 8xauto rifles, tear gas grenades, each soldier carries a roll of rope to be used to tie kidnapped GVN officials.
11	0900	198th, 1/6, at 0900H, request for tracker dog team from B/1/6, will pick up at 1200H, return 1600H, to be used in CA to check out area, coordination complete 0923H.
12	0905	196th, D/3/21, OP vic BT100290 at 0825H, obs 3 MAM at 2000m south of 3021 OP moving NE dressed in black PJ's, did not obs wpn or equip, res: 1 VC KIA (eng'd by arty).
13	0924	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT210144 at 0920H, eng'd 1 MAM, res: 1 VC KIA.
14	0950	11th, A/1/20, vic BS906285 at 0926H, found 3 pair Ho Chi Minh sandals, 3 complete VC uniforms, and 2 green shirts, 1 M-72 LAW complete, will destroy LAW.
15	0950	11th, CC/3/1, vic BS742567 at 0900H, detained 3 VCS evading, evac to LZ Liz for interrogation.
16	0950	11th, CC/3/1, vic BS874058 at 0849H, rec'd SA fire, checked area, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
17	0955	196th, Rcn/4/21, vic (illegible) at 0541H, obs 3 MAM evading (illegible), eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, dressed in black PJ's, no ID or wpn.
18	1003	11th, (illegible)/3/1, vic BS765453 at 0945H, detained 1 VCS hiding in a bunker, evac to LZ Bronco.
19	1012	196th, A/2/1, vic AT844363 at 0900H, found a base camp with 13 huts, 1 mess hall w/tables (size 30' x 15') found 2 axes, 1x1/4 lb block of TNT. A/3/21 states air strikes have missed base camp by 300 meters, all items found were destroyed.
20	1015	39th Engr, B/39, vic BS629830 at 0900H, VN truck hit a mine at above coord, res: 3 VN WHA, 1 VN KHA. A second mine was found in same area, mine destroyed. Info Only.
21	1015	196th, Rcn/4/21, vic BT121418 at 1005H, obs a small tunnel 2-1/3 x 2-1/2 x 5, unit started in one end, VC evaded out the other end, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, neg wpn or ID.
22	1020	196th, D/3/21, vic BT043235 at 0930H, obs 4 MAM evading east, dressed in black PJ's, 150m from their loc, res: 1 VC KIA, other 3 evaded to a hootch area, neg wpn or ID.
23	1028	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT171451 at 1020H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
24	1030	11th called, stated AO ext in NW portion of AO is cancelled. Passed to Quang Ngai. All 11th Bde troops out of area.
25	1045	Tam Ky, Opn QT-73/I from 010630H to 020630H, to conduct sweeping operations w/2 companies, vic BT2725, 2225, 2716, 2216. Passed to 198th 311103H.
26	1115	196th, C/3/21, vic BT028211 at 1040H, obs 1 NVA in a camouflaged suit evading into a hole, eng'd, res: 1 NVA KIA, bunker camouflaged, suit he was wearing a green uniform, 1 US entrenching tool CIA.
27	1115	11th, B/3/1, vic BS735447 at 1105H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA, individual was carrying a pistol belt with 4xM26 HG's.
28	1117	11th, Aero Scouts, vic BS638571 at 1110H, detained 1 VCS female, evac to LZ Bronco.
29	1120	11th, C/3/1, vic BS786485 at 1110H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA,
30	1130	39th Engr, B/39, vic BS629830 at 1010H, found 1x15 lb mine in road, mine removed and destroyed.
31	1132	26th Engr, CC/26, vic BT113425 at 1030H, eng'd 2 VC evading, res: 2 VC KIA.

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32	1115	9th Engr, CPL Bell, vic BT259289 at 1042H, found 10 grains of nitro starch on bridge. EOD called to remove, had bamboo electric firing device.
33	1115	9th Engr, CPL Bell, vic BT259288 at 1004H, found 1 mine containing nitro starch, blew in place. Had a bamboo electric firing device.
34	1140	11th, 174th Avn, vic BS74058_ at 0915H, rec'd light SA fire (AK-47) type, ship was hit 1 time. (illegible) spotted, ship returned fire.
35	1214	196th, A/2/1, vic AT834316 at 1142H, found 1 fresh grave, unit dug up grave, inside they found 1 VC KIA from SA fire, res: 1 VC KIA.
36	1235	196th, S-2, at 0835H-0930H, sniffer mission readings at following coord: AT983177, 999138, BT005135, 015134, AT944100, 945124. Obs 2 VC at AT943047.
37	1215	196th, D/3/21, vic BT045235 at 0915H, obs 2 VC evading west, eng'd, res: 1 VC KIA, neg wpn, docs, or equipment.
38	1317	Quang Ngai, SGT Billings, vic BS375315, 2 US gunships fired on friendly troops just north of Gia Vuc, request that ships be told that there are friendly troops in that area. Called 11th to advise their gunships of presence of friendlies.
39	1410	11th, C/3/1, vic BS785495 at 1400H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA, no wpn or ID.
40	1423	11th, R/1/20, at 1423H, airlift of R/1/20 from BS568688 to LZ Bronco completed at 1423H.
41	1425	196th, CC/4/3, vic AT927138 at 1405H, eng'd 1 VC evading west, dressed in black PJ's, neg results. Also obs 1 sampan at AT926164, eng'd with neg results. Acft rec'd 20 rds of SA fire from same area, neg hits, continued mission.
42	1432	11th, A/1/20, vic BS912284 at 1412H, eng'd 2 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA, 1 VC CIA, CIA wore blur PJ's. The CIA had old wounds in chest & legs.
43	1445	11th, B/3/1, vic BS748472 at 1440H, eng'd 1 VC evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
44	1440	1/1 Cav, requests immediate AO ext into 196th area, contact & sighting of enemy in area from BT1525 west to BT1424, north to BT1427, east to BT1627. From 311445H to 312400H. Approved by 196th, LT Salazar, passed to 1/1.
45	1450	1/1, F/8 Cav, vic BT162254 at 1443H, obs 1 MAM evading, res: 1 VC KIA.
46	1311	198th, C/1/46, vic BT176076 at 1304H, obs 5 VC w/wpn and a mortar tube in open, calling in arty. 1405H, unit going to check area where arty was fired. 1540H, unit checked area and found 1 steel pot and 2 towels.
47	1400	198th, B/1/6, vic of LAAM site, CA of B/1/6 from LAAM site to BT437177 completed at 1355H.
48	1435	14th Avn, vic BT5702 at 1000H, spotted concrete slab approx 10 feet square with stakes at the corners and a dirt pile in the middle. Also spotted one man with rifle in the area. Pilots comment: The concrete looked to be a rocket launcher pad, reported by SP4 Cox.
49	1545	11th, A/3/1, extraction from Dragon to LZ Bronco, completed at 1537H, unit move for 3 day stand down.
50	1545	11th, C/3/1, vic BS810450 at 1535H, rec'd sniper fire, obs 4 VC evading into tunnel, 1 VC threw hand grenade, US return with HG, res: 4 VC KIA.
51	1600	11th, read out on docs captured by Rcn/1/20: 1. Award certificate from Unit 137. 2. Receipt for 24,000 P from Unit T.680 11 Jan 68. 3. Personal file, name Le Van Bick, aka Le Van Ten, member communist party. 4. Receipt for 32,000 P from Unit R-10, 14 July 68. 5. Letter to Dong Son Tinh, signed by Tham Kuang Lang. 6. Letter VM Unit 71.Z authorizing Van Bick to buy rice dated 28 July 68. 7. Notebook.
52	1613	Coastal Surveillance DaNang, vic BS745821, acft report large concentration of junks at above coord. Passed to Swift Boats, passed to 198th Bde, Swift Boats will check it out. 1630H, Swift Boats have 2 boats at mouth of river vic BS7782, if someone will run boats out to mouth of river they will check them out. Passed to 198th, SGT Kaiser.
53	1614	11th, B/3/1, vic BS765455 at 1540H, detained 1 VCS evading, evac to LZ Liz.
54	1620	CLDC, alert condition Green effective 1800H.
55	1740	11th, C/3/1, vic BS812442 at 1700H, had an informant that led US troops to a house, under the floor was a tunnel, in the tunnel was a large quantity of medical supplies. Medical supplies will be evac to Duc Pho.
56	1809	11th, C-31, vic BS796508 at 1750H, detained 2 VCS, believe to be making BT, 1 VCS said he knows where VC are located. Will evac to LZ Liz.
57	1815	1st CAG, CAP 122, vic BT387167 at 0825H, VN female tripped M26 BT, res: 2 VN females KHA, 2 WHA (E).
58	1550	(delayed entry) 198th, B/1/6, extracted from BT431173 to LAAM site. PZ 1545H, LZ 1631H. Complete.
59	1600	(delayed entry) 1/1, F/8 Cav, BT064018 at 1330H, obs 1 VN crossing a stream at BT064018. At BT0701, obs 150 water buffalo. At BT0700-0901, obs regularly used trails and trenches. Passed to 196th and 198th.
60	1635	(delayed entry) 198th, B/1/6, BT437177 at 1631H, b Co's CA: 1st PZ 1543H, last LZ 1631H. LZ cold.
61	1713	(delayed entry) I Corps, request AO coverage for ARVN convoy from northern boundary of ROK AO to Quang Ngai. Convoy will be on 59.85, controlled by "New Man Pipes". "New Man Pipes" organic freq: 40.40. Convoy will originate in DaNang.

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