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Item No	Time in	Time Out	Incidents, Messages, Orders, Etc.
1	0001		JOURNAL OPENED
2	0010		3/1 ACD notified the TOC that a UH1D had departed at 2020H for LZ Two Bits fm B/1/9 and had not Arrived. Req we check with 3/4 for acft.
3	0015		3/4 TOC gave a neg report to req about acft.
4	0015-0100H		Check of Avn pads (348 <sup>th</sup> , 14 <sup>th</sup> , Quang Ngai, Chung Young, Chu Lai Tower)
5	0315-0330H		Sent Msg's to 3/4, 198 <sup>th</sup> , 196 <sup>th</sup> , B/1/1
6	0340		Placed call to 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar Div to req bdry extension for 3/1 (1/35) to N of AO on coast. AO extension had run out 302400H.
7	0347		Rec'd call fm 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar Div COC granting approval of our AO request. Notified FSC, 3/1.
8	0350		Following Mssg sent to 3/1, 196 <sup>th</sup> , 198 <sup>th</sup> & 3/4 Bde. Eff today at 010001H Dec, all wounded will be reported as either (evac) or (minor) classification. On the 302000H – 012000H SITREP, a cum figure for minor wounded in Opm WHEELER/WALLOWA will be reported in the SITREP. Reg TAOR will also report monthly totals by Bn.
9			0530 DELAYED – 198 B/1/52 at 2307H vic BS652961 HG was thrown inside perimeter within 20 meters fm bunker. Returned fire with neg res. No frdly cas.
10			0800 3/4: Sitrep: Neg change
11			196 <sup>th</sup> A/2/12 time 0720 vic coord BT 155224 rec'd 1 rd sniper fire, returned fire, are now checking area.
12	0800		196 <sup>th</sup> time 0800 vic coord BT 155224, Interpreter rec'd leg wound. No shot heard. Being evacuated.
13	0805		3/1 ACD & 196 <sup>th</sup> , reported to CPT Lambert & CPT Morris the boundary on the N&S GL 97 is approved by Gen. Koster until 032400H. West of this grid belongs to 3/1 East 196 <sup>th</sup> from E W grid lines 21 to 29.
14	0835		196 <sup>th</sup> Negative Sitrep change.
15	0900		Message to INTSUM addresses reference error in reports of incoming mortar rds on 29 November dispatched.
16	0900		3/4 Sitrep Negative change
17	0900		3/4 time 0803H C/2/35 completed CA in three lifts, vic coord BS 696586, BS 698572, and BS 687582; all LZ cold.
18	0910		196 <sup>th</sup> Sitrep Negative change
19	0915		198 <sup>th</sup> Sitrep Negative change
20	0930		3/4 Logistics report amber
21	0940		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/3/21 time 0730, vic coord BT 047246 obs 1 VC running down trail, fired warning shots to halt him, would not halt, engaged, results 1 VC KIA (C)
22	0945		196 <sup>th</sup> , time 0945. PZ time of CA set back one hour until 1100H
23	1000		198 <sup>th</sup> Sitrep negative change
24	1000		3/4 Sitrep negative change
25	1005		Report from Lt. Fergenson at PW cage, time 0955, that a Hoi Chan told them that there was 5 ton of Rice at vic BT 152019 in a bamboo hut 3x3x2 meters. Also at coord vic BS 164009 that there was a cache of 400 weapons all types.
26	1005		196 <sup>th</sup> Sitrep negative change
27	1010		196 <sup>th</sup> D/2/1 CA postponed indefinitely due to the weather
28	1015		3/4 C/2/35 time 0950 vic coord BS 686586 while searching hooch, 1 VC threw a hand grenade; result: 1 WHA Evac. Continuing search for VC
29	1030		Commanding General 1 <sup>st</sup> Air Cav in Americal AO to visit 227 <sup>th</sup> Avn Bn.
30	1055		3/4 Sitrep no change
31	1100		196 <sup>th</sup> Sitrep no change. CA for D/2/1 still held due to weather.0
32	1102		198 <sup>th</sup> Sitrep, no change. BG Young at 198 <sup>th</sup> loc.
33	1105		3/1 Sitrep, B/1/1 and 2 Plts of D/1/7 to S&D West of LZ Ross. Maneuver Bn report n/c.
34	1105		3/4, C/2/35 at 1036H vic BS 686526 found 2 wpns. 1xMAT-49, SN#C17020; 1xSKS, SN#G2001
35	1210		196 <sup>th</sup> Sitrep, no change

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36	1115		L CO CAC time 1115 coor BS 653984 P.F. patrol was ambushed by 5 VC. 1 PF was wounded in right leg, now at 1 <sup>st</sup> Hosp
37	1214		3/1 Sitrep change to read A/2/12 moved to AT 985334. B/2/12 moved to AT 973324. D/1/35 vic BT 150528 receiving sporadic sniper fire.
38	1300		3/4 Sitrep no change
39	1301		196 <sup>th</sup> SITREP no change D/2/1 movement delayed due to weather
40	1220		Contacted 10 VC while pursuing VC. 1240 rec'd heavy small arms fire from village vic BS 288090. Called Arty. Neg results at this time. MTF
41	1320		3/1 Sitrep no change.
42	1132		196 <sup>th</sup> A/2/1 Time 1132 vic Coord BT 156324 Rec'd 3 to 4 rds sniper fire. Returned fire; neg results
43	1325		CG 1 <sup>st</sup> ACD visited this location
44	1130		196 <sup>th</sup> S-2 Sec (Basic Eccrrand-9) Called the 196 <sup>th</sup> and said 1 detainee was sent to them for medical treatment. His name Nguyen-Mong-Nhat. Captured vic BT 022270, no date on back of his tag. It said he was to be sent to the Americal IPW Sec. They report that he is in hospital now and is able to be interrogated. Reported to IPM Sec 1345H.
45	1355		196 <sup>th</sup> , Time 1305H 1 <sup>st</sup> Lift in LZ Green (cold).
46	1400		3/4 Sitrep no change
47	1405		Ref log no. 40 B/1/14 Time 1310, contact broken, neg results
48	1415		196 <sup>th</sup> Time 1415H 3 <sup>rd</sup> Lift in LZ Green (cold)
49	1500		198 <sup>th</sup> Sitrep no change
50	1505		196 <sup>th</sup> Sitrep no change
51	1506		3/1 Sitrep no change
52	1505		196 <sup>th</sup> D/2/1 Time 1410H Coord BT 185254. Upon entering LZ D Co obs 2 VC suspects about 75 meters running E to W. Eng W/S/A. Res 1 VC PW, 1 VC WIA. Evac to Hill 35. Results, 1 VC WIA and 1 VC CIA.
53	1510		198 <sup>th</sup> S-3 canceled the AO extension in the ROK MC area. Notified ROK LNO.
54	1530		Cpt Berinato from USARV called. Said that personnel in the 11 <sup>th</sup> Bde Advance party on flights W1056 & W1057 will land at Danang. All other missions will still come into Chu Lai.
55	1600		198 <sup>th</sup> Sitrep no change
56	1605		Tam Ky, Time 1530, SF request AO as follows: BT 1419 W to BT 0219, S to BT 0210, E to BT 1410, N to BT 1419, passed to 196 <sup>th</sup> at 1540. Want from present to 021800H. Approved by the 196 <sup>th</sup> at 1545H. Notified FSE at 1600.
57	1625		3/1, C/1/7, Time 1240, Coord 994370 found grave with sign saying Viet Cong. Dug up grave. Res 1 VC KIA (C).
58	1625		3/1, B/2/12, Time 1028, Coord 962318. Found grave with 4 NVA KIA, also found diary. Will send in (C).
59	1630		196 <sup>th</sup> , LRRP Jeanny, Time 1550, Coord BT111281, received 3 rds S/A fire, evasive action on part of patrol.
60	1650		196 <sup>th</sup> Cpt Morris, says there are gun ships firing in the vic of BT 1623. Coming close to our troops.
61	1710		196 <sup>th</sup> , 2/1 evacuated 56 refugees and 34,000 lbs of rice. Charlie 2/1, Time 1707, vic Coord BT 158232.
62	1800		196 <sup>th</sup> , Sitrep negative change.
63	1800		C.A.C. K-4 time 1600 vic coord BT 444103, VC ambushed PF Platoon in Village of Khuong Dia 1. Res 2 VC KIA.
64	1815		198 <sup>th</sup> Sitrep no change.
65	1820		Call from the 635 <sup>th</sup> MI, 2 IC 1 Hosp, unclassified
66	1820		198 <sup>th</sup> E/1/52, the 2 Plts scheduled to move today. Postponed until tomorrow.
67	1900		3/4 3 <sup>rd</sup> Bde Avn, time 1830, vic BS 655539 obs and engaged 1 VC wearing web gear taking evasive action. Res. 1 VC KIA (C).
68	1930		TAM KY called for AO ext for ARVN for period 020500-022000 Dec 67, West to 21 Grid Line, North to 26 Grid Line, South to 20 Grid Line. Approved by 196. FSE notified.
69	1935		A/1/52 time 1850 vic coord BS 720941, 2 men were wounded by a booby trap while on patrol. Res 2 US WHA (evac).

## Part 1: Survey

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**TYPED NAME AND GRADE OF OFFICER OR OFFICIAL ON DUTY**  
ERNEST M. BREUER, MAJ, GS, ASST G3

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1	0001		JOURNAL OPENED
2	0020		3/4, C/2/35 at 2230H vic BS725395 night ambush psn eng'd 2 VC, res 2 VC KIA (C)
3	0645		3/4, D/2/35 vic BS888273 at 0603H killed 3 VC and captured 1 M-1 carbine (details to follow) Ser. #132833.
4	0645		3/4, B/2/35 at 0619H vic BS782395 rec'd 20-30 rds of SA fire w/neg res.
5	0645		3/4, C/2/35 at 012015H vic BS722580 captured 1 VC on way back from patrol.
6	0740		3/1, C/1/35 C/A has been held up due to the weather.
7	0905		1 <sup>st</sup> Mar Div approved the 3/1 AO extension to the North but were never notified by Hoi An. 3/1 advised to negotiate all AO extensions with us so that proper coordination is made.
8	0910		198 <sup>th</sup> Neg SITREP.
9	0845		198 <sup>th</sup> , ref grenade incident. Individual was booby trapping trip flare. Handle came off, individual yelled warning and threw grenade. One individual slightly wounded. Bde op-order 7-67 specifically states no booby trapping. Bn order also states the same. Bn CO has stated several times orally and in writing that only command detonated mines would be used. Bn CO will take appropriate disciplinary action against individual.
10	0905		3/1, B/1/35, Time 0818, Coord BT154514 engaged 1 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA(C).
11	0918		3/1, B/1/9, Time 0900, Coord BT178496, obs 3 males walking across rice paddy. One had grenade, started to run. Engaged. Res: 1 VC KIA(C).
12	0907		3/1, Bde Avn, Time 0822H, Obs 2 Mil age males evading, engaged. Res: 1 VC KIA(C). BT130508 Coord.
13	0902		3/4, SITREP, no change.
14	0908		198, SITREP, no change.
15	0910		3/1, SITREP, no change.
16	1000		198, SITREP, no change.
17	1001		3/4, SITREP, no change.
18	1030		196, C/3/21, at 0955H vic BT043217, obs & eng'd 3 VC. Neg results
19	1050		3/4, they have coord AO ext from BS7558 E to ocean, S to 3/4 boundary for period eff now until 022400H Dec 67. Coord w/2d ARVN Div.
20	1103		3/1, Bde Avn, Time 0945, Coord BT148492, obs & engaged 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA(C).
21	1100		Msg fr IPM ref detainee in hosp, now ready for interrogation. IPM unable to locate PW. Called 196 <sup>th</sup> for additional info on loc. Neg. Called TAM KY, no info but will check. (Ref journal 01 Dec, entry 44).
22	1105		198 <sup>th</sup> , C/1/46, Time 1030 Coord BT278083, PZ 1010, LZ 1030, rec gd fire-1 rd in CH-47 (.50 cal). One slick hit. Landed at TAM KY. One gunship hit, 1 aviator WHA. Opn continues, subsequent lifts in progress.
23	1120		3/4, C/1/14 at 0600 vic BS897268, rec'd 5 bursts AW fire from the W. Returned fire, swept area. Res: 2 VC KIA(C), CIA 2 CHICOM HG.
24	1120		3/4, C/1/10 at 1100H vic BS899289 obs 3 VC fleeing, engaged. Res: 3 VC KIS(C). No wpns.
25		1130	III MAF COC, Daily Maneuver Bn Report. See Journal Source File.
26		1130	QUANG NGAI, fr MAJ SMITH. Party leaving now. Will arrive QUANG NGAI approx 1 hr late. Will land VIP Pad. Notify MAJ HANCOCK, QUANG NGAI, for action. Info to CPT RICHARDS, QUANG NGAI TOC.
27	1156		198, SITREP, no change.
28	1200		3/4, SITREP, no change.
29	1205		3/4 granted an AO ext to the 1 <sup>st</sup> CAV, BS860230 to 830230 until 021800 Dec 67.
30	1353		D/2/35 time 1259 vic coord BS904298 eng'd 2 VC. Res: 2 VC KIA(C), 1 US hand grenade CIA.
31	1400		198 <sup>th</sup> , SITREP, no change.
32	1500		196 <sup>th</sup> , SITREP, 2/1 no change, 3/21 B to BT030234, 4/31 A to BT146245, B to 091283. All others no change.
33	1625		196 <sup>th</sup> , SITREP, no change.
34	1722		5 <sup>th</sup> ARVN time 1530H, reports on pine apple forest progress. 12500 square meters cleared, 350 meters trench destroyed, 5 bunkers destroyed, 12 bomb shelters destroyed, 60 fox holes filled in. No WIA or KIA friendly or enemy.
35	1723		A/1/52, time 1700, vic coord BS715938. Plt began to receive SA AW fire. Neg cas at this time—MTF.
36	1801		A/1/7, time 1655, vic coord BT056400, received a short burst of AW fire. Res: 1 WHA (minor).
37	1802		C/4/31, time 1250, vic coord BT105298, found 8 unk type US batteries, hexagon shape, 6" long.

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38	1803		196 <sup>th</sup> , time 1730, LRRPs Ruthie & Genie have been extracted.
39	1804		B/1/9, time 0745, vic coord BT099357 eng'd 1 military age male trying to evade. Res: 1 VC KIA(C).
40	1805		B/1/35, time 0818, vic coord BT154514, eng'd. Res: 1 VC res, 1 VC KIA(C).
41	1806		3/1, 3 <sup>rd</sup> AVN, time 0822, vic coord BT130508, snoopy scout spotted 2 military age males running, eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA(C).
42	1807		B/1/9, time 0900 vic coord BT178496, spotted 3 military age males in rice paddy, eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA(C).
43	1808		3/4, SITREP, neg change.
44	1838		CAC L-1 time 1430 vic coord BS567985, 3 marines were approached by a Vietnamese boy carrying a bag of approx 150 rounds of shotgun shells, then he led them to a house where they picked up a 35 yr old man. They were both turned into BIHN SON and they were both VC.
45	1840		1 US WHA slightly wounded, C/1/46, 1500 hrs, vic coord BT288084. Frags were in his shoulder. Rec'd treatment at base camp and returned to duty.
46	1850		196 <sup>th</sup> , SITREP, neg change.
47	1910		3/1 requested that the AO extension from the 1 MAR DIV be extended until 041200 Dec 67.
48	1915		B/2/35, time 1843, vic coord BS778409, observed 2 VC moving SW, eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA, 2 M26 HG CIA. Other VC fired 1 round & was observed moving NE.
49	1925		B/1/9 at 0955H vic BT158498 eng'd 1 VC wearing blk PJs. Res: 1 VC KIA(C).
50	1927		Ref item #10. Res should read 2 VC KIA(C).
51	1928		B/1/9 at 1808H vic BT108487 eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA(C).
52	1930		B/1/9 at 1735H vic BT069478 spotted 1 NVA. Res: 1 NVA KIA(C).
53	1930		Telecon from 196 <sup>th</sup> LRRP info. Insertion 131400 upper left box BT0728, lower left 0726, lower right 0926. Name PAM. Action passed to SGT COX, LRRP Ops NCO.
54	1945		SGT COX, LRRP Ops NCO req info on LRRP. SOP: format for frag orders? Who publishes? Format for patrol debrief report. ACTION: Question passed to G2.
55	2000		Weather effects report sent to III MAF.
56	2001		3/4 reports time 1846, vic coord BS690555 from Mo Duc. A Viet boy observed a VC squad capture a US soldier in fatigues. He obs VC tie the soldier's hands behind his back. 2/4 ARVN will investigate tomorrow.
57	2002		B/1/9 MAJ BURROW thinks that one of their aircraft is down vic coord BS6554. He asked for permission to place troops in an area around this and survey the damage. Area is from BS6353 East to BS6753 North to BS6756 West to BS6356. He wants this area from 030600H-032400H Dec67. We called 3/4 and relayed the request. 3/4 granted the request.
58	2045		III MAF indications of possible attack on Da Nang tonight. Wanted to inform us and find out if any activity in Chu Lai. Answer: no indications of attack around Chu Lai. Commo quality poor, req follow up message. III MAF said they would comply.
59	2100		CAP L-6 time 1850, vic coord BS669916 reports 150 VC direction of travel & uniforms unk, eval C-3. Initial report fr Chieu Hoi, later confirmed by agent fr BINH SON Dist HQ. Intention of enemy is to hit L-6 tonight. 198 <sup>th</sup> informed, fired arty into area. Res unk. Will check in the morning.
60	2130		Ref journal entry #58, msg fr III MAF, ref possible rocket attack against Da Nang received.
61	2133		196 <sup>th</sup> , SITREP, no change.
62	2200		198 <sup>th</sup> SITREP, 1/6 reported same incident ref journal entry #59. 1/52 CAC L-2 & L-4 were in contact, time 2115 vic BT625004. L-4 spotted 4 VC going into hut, followed VC, threw HG into hut, neg res. Civilian Vietnamese male was hit by SA (evac).
63	2201		C/2/1, time 1142, vic coord BT103217, eng'd 3 VC with Arty. Res: 1 VC KIA (C).
64	2202		CAC L-2, time 1855, vic coord BT607008 eng'd 14 VC coming down beach. Neg res.
65	2400		Op Summary for the AMERICAL DIV for the 24 hr period ending 022400H. See SITREP for the 2400H period and Opn Wheeler/Wallowa SITREP #228,229,230,231. Opn Wheeler/Wallowa cont'd with light contact. The 196 <sup>th</sup> cont'd S&D opns in zone w/1 contact resulting in 1VC KIA(C). The 3/1 cont'd S&D opns in zone w/8 contacts resulting in 7 VC KIA(C), 1 NVA KIA(C). The 3/4 cont'd S&D opns in zone w/8 contacts resulting in 14 VC KIA(C), 1 IW CIA. The 198 <sup>th</sup> cont'd S&D opns in zone w neg contact. Totals for the AMERICAL DIV: 22 VC KIA(C), 1 NVA KIA(C), 1 IW CIA.
66	2400		Delayed: 196 <sup>th</sup> C/2/1 1142H BT103217, eng'd 3 VC w/arty, res 1 VC KIA(C).

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2	0145		3/1 LZ Porazzo time 0055H BT227314, rec'd 4 rds unk type mtr fire. 2 WHA minor.
3	0120		3/1, C/1/1, time 0057, vic coord BT257233, sporadic mtr & ground attack, sent ARA and 4 flare ships, firing arty, HE & illum.
4	0112		198 <sup>th</sup> 1/6 OP time 0100, vic coord BS575971, have heavy contact with 10 VC who came within 50 meters of their position; engaged with small arms; res unknown at this time.
5	0145		3/1 C/1/1, time 0105, vic coord BT257233, C/1/1 rec'd 4-5 rds of unk type mtr fire; called in medivac at 0140 (unk res at this time); 7 WHA evac, 2 KHA, 10 WHA minor.
6	0115		198 <sup>th</sup> 1/6 OP #8, time 0108, vic coord BS574967, obs 3 VC heading north into village, too far away to engage.
7	0225		198 <sup>th</sup> A/1/52, time 0210, vic coord BS699955, heard noise to their front, fire req illum, found 1 VC KIA(c), 1 M-14, 1 pistol belt.
8	0245		TAM KY, 2 <sup>nd</sup> ROK Bde, time 0215, vic BS473863. An Hoa OP receiving sporadic S/A fire.
9	0700		198 <sup>th</sup> E/1/6, time 0645, vic coord n/a, E/1/6 linking up with H Troop going up highway toward Binh Son bridge to form blocking action.
10	0730		ROK requested a Free Fire Zone in the 198 <sup>th</sup> TAOR bounded by the following coordinates: 6995 N to 6996, W to 665960, S to boundary, follow along boundary to 645950, No to 645960, W to 6396.
11	0800		Ref items 3 and 5 above: 3/1, C/1/1 LZ Porazzo, rec'd 4-6 82mm mtr rds. Fire came fr NW. 3 US WHA (minor). Minor damage to equipment. 0050H C/1/1 at BT257233 rec'd 15-18 mtr rds and SA fire. Contact lasted approx 30 minutes. Fire came fr N. Found 2 dead VC hanging on perimeter wire. Each had an AK-47 and 1 had a satchel charge and wire cutters. Found a torpedo on the perimeter. On perimeter found a handkerchief where wire had been cut. Wire had been cut in several places along the perimeter. Res: 1 US WHA (minor), 13 US WHA (evac), 2 US KHA. En: 2 VC KIA(c), 2 AK-47s CIA. 1 F113 had direct hit.
12	0820		198 <sup>th</sup> HHC 1/6, time 0805, vic BS585950, 1 Veh (M-43) traveling QL 1 hit a mine, 3 WHA evac.
13	0805		¾, time 0750, coord BS758489, have two culverts which look to be blown by mines between Duc Pho and Mo-Duc. Coord 758489. Checking with engineers to see if they can be repaired.
14	0830		198 <sup>th</sup> time 0430, Senior advisor Binh Son of 8 Americans in bunker, 3 WHA (slight). Capt still unk. Any element that comes in must be careful of mines all around this position.
15	0745		198 <sup>th</sup> called at 0700 saying Tom Cat 6 requested dustoff element 30 casualties.
16	0900		198 <sup>th</sup> , ref item #12, add 1 KHA for total of 1 KHA, 3 WHA (evac).
17	0910		Ref #10, the Free Fire Zone request was denied by the 198 <sup>th</sup> because they have friendly troops in the area.
18	0825		3/4 TOC: call from Capt Blackburn stating that the 2 culverts that were out are now passable.
19	0920		3/4 TOC, Capt Blackburn, time 0920, coord BS753499, the 2 culverts were blown at vic BS753499. Estimated they were blown with 100lbs of explosives, left a hole 15' diam, 6' deep. Eng will have it completely passable by 1200 noon.
20	0922		198 <sup>th</sup> , 09164, large crater in the road barely passable for vehicles. Road sweep is not complete at this time.
21	0926		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/3/1, time 0900, coord BT045206, engaged 4 VC. Res: 1 VC WIA/CIA, 1 M-14 w/bayonet CIA, SN of WPN 426427.
22	0927		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/2/1, time 0845, coord BT125231, rec'd sniper fire, maneuvering at this time. Neg results.
23	0955		3/1, C/1/1, time 0025H-0130H, Further report of C/1/1 attack of last night (ref Log Entry #5), they rec'd (4) 81 mm mtr rds, (4) 60mm mtr rds, (2-5) 105mm rds, 20-30 HG, 10 rockets, 2 of which were duds and are the CP, 3 Bangalore torpedoes. They captured 5 AK-47s, 1 rocket launcher, 3 RPGs, 25 HG, 17 bandoliers of MG ammo, 4 Bangalore torpedoes, 2 complete claymore mines. Casualties so far are 2 VC KIA, 8 VC KIA(P), 2 KHA, 13 WHA(evac) 1 WHA(minor).
24	1000		Quang Ngai TOC, Capt Richards, time 1000, coord Binh Son, 1 US EM WHA (advisors), Est is ARVN KIA, 2 VC KIA(c), 3 US EM WHA with APC H/17 Cav. Initial cas up. Ref item no. 14.
25	1010		198 <sup>th</sup> , H/17 Cav, Time 0947, coord 597927, H troop element in search of area found 11 VC KIA(c), apparently from last night's action. Personnel were full of 50 cal rds. H/17 Cav will continue to search the area.
26	1015		198 <sup>th</sup> , C/1/46, time 0940, coord BT292081, resupply chopper 176 <sup>th</sup> , location C/1/46, rec'd fire. Door gunner shot. Ship 748 pulled away and did not land.
27	0925		Delayed – 198 <sup>th</sup> , L-2 Cac, time 2045, Coord BT609003. Patrol in that area checked out again this morning, found 5 bodies VC(c).
28	0927		198 <sup>th</sup> , L-4, time 0700, coord BS622013, Patrol was sent down to check ambush site, found VC leaflets and flags.

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29	0928		DELAYED. 198 <sup>th</sup> , L-2, time 2315, coord BS607998, spotted 6 VC. Opened fire killing 1 VC (c), in process had two friendly PF WIA; captured 1 carbine; SN to follow.
30	1010		3/1, B/1/7, time 0815, coord 116394, engaged and killed 2 VC.
31	1010		3/1, BD Scouts B/1/9, time 0845H, coord 116394, engaged and killed 1 VC. [300 ME also killed, 2 VC Res 3 VC] ?
32	1026		B/1/9, time 0805, coord AT985365, Huey rec'd 2-3 rds SA fire. Neg hit. 300', 100 knots. Eng'd 1 VC w/neg results.
33	1030		3/4, Mo Duc Dist MACV, VN kid saw VC agents capture a GI. A quick check was made and no GI's were missing. 3/4 thinks it might be a man from the B/1/9 helicopter downed in that area. Interrogation of the child revealed the following info. At 021400H he saw a GI walking NE along a trail at coord 700552, wearing jungle fatigues, approx 6' tall, and his clothing was out. [?] The GI was unarmed. When he saw the VC following him he started running S along the RR track and came to a canal at coord 705553. The GI jumped into the canal but the VC caught him and marched him back to the hamlet. There the child lost sight of them. 3/4 will contact B/1/9 Cav and give them this info.
34	1035		9 <sup>th</sup> Eng mine sweep fr Tam Ky to Thang Binh is complete. Neg results.
35	1036		196 <sup>th</sup> Sirtep, B/3/21, to vic BT025321, all others no change.
36	1040		3/1, C/2/20 ARA, time 1600H, coord BT195555, engaged 1 EN in a sampan trying to evade. Sunk the sampan. Res 1 VC KIA(c).
37	1041		3/1, B/1/9, time 0925, coord 985365, OH-13 went down due to weather condition. Crashed and burned. Res 2 US KIA.
38	1047		198 <sup>th</sup> , stated ROK were firing arty near a 198 <sup>th</sup> unit. Loc vic BS655953. Informed BSE. They will check w/20 ROK Bde.
39	1050		3/4, Bde AV, time 1009, coord BS837280, engaged 1 VC with weapon. Results: 1 VC KIA(c), also sending ship to pick up documents. 1 IW CIA.
40	1100		Report of results of attack against Binh Son and C/1/1, can be dispatched to III MAF.
41	1116		198 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/52, time 1800?, coord BS713937, 3 VN walked into ambush site. The VN were told to halt. 2 VN halted and one VN male started to run. A warning shot was fired, individual did not stop. Engaged again, res 1 VC KIA(c). Detained (2). Of the two detained, one was on the Black List as a tax collector. The male detained had 1,000 (P) on his person.
42	0900		III MAF G2, Cpt Stevenson, III MAF requested that aircraft hits (location on aircraft) be included on INTSUM. Info required b y 1 <sup>st</sup> MAW. Checked with 14 <sup>th</sup> AVN. Info already forwarded to III MAF and 1 <sup>st</sup> MAF. Phoned SGT Early (1100) and asked if this was sufficient. He said he thought so, would check.
43	1130		III MAF, Daily Maneuver Battalion Report submitted.
44	1145		196 <sup>th</sup> reports a gunship from 71 <sup>st</sup> Avn Co down vic BT186327. Neg casualties. F/17 Cav is securing aircraft. No report of cause at this time.
45	1150		CLDC called ref gunships firing vic MAG 12 area. Checked with Div Avn, it is demonstration for CB's. Informed CLDC (Sgt Murray) of this.
46	1205		3/4, B/1/9, time 1200, coord BS649542, loc helicopter of B/1/9, troops on ground in area. More to follow.
47	1219		3/4, Bde Avn, time 1115, coord BS861349, obs and eng 3 VDC, w/web gear, 3 VC KIA.
48	1222		198 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/52, time 1150, coord BS671992, eng 8-10 VC BS671992. VC had 1 automatic wpn, 2 rifles, platoon now moving. FAC notified.
49	1225		198 <sup>th</sup> , H/17 Cav, time 1947 hrs, coord BS597927. Found 11 VC by body count. Killed by 50 cal rounds fr H/17 Cav. Revision 1215 hrs. Found 3 additional VC, KIA by body count. Also 25 lbs of Chi-Com and few hand grenades at coord BS591933 to BS594932.
50	1246		Div Engr reports culvert at BS753499 repaired, road is passable at that location.
51	1315		3/4, 174 <sup>th</sup> Avn, time 1019H, vic coord AT834300. Engaged 1 VC. Res 1 VC KIA(c).
52	1310		3/4, 174 <sup>th</sup> Avn, time 1038H, vic coord BS832302, engaged and killed 2 VC, weapon still at scene. Sending troops to pick it up. SN to follow.
53	1315		198 <sup>th</sup> , Ref Journal No. 48. 198 A/1/52 engaged 8-10 VC, contact broke at 1205H. Det 4 individuals.
54	1320		3/4, 1/9 Gunship, time 1253H, vic coord BS688585 obs 8 VC with packs, also obs hut with 1 individual inside laying on a parachute. Appeared to be detained. Gunship is covering the house. Ground troops are moving into area at 1305H at same coord. Obs and eng'd 1 VC, results 1 VC KIA.

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55	1415		Maj Golden called requesting information about the arrival of the advance party of the 11 <sup>th</sup> Bde. He wanted to know if any senior officers were going to be present for their arrival, and whether or not the arrival time had been confirmed by the Division. Notified G-3 and assistant Cofs, the following info was given to Maj Golden: No firm word was received by this HQ other than what was already given. The General's aid will take care of the arrangements for his visit.
56	1510		3/4 TOC reports that the road 7 Kilos S of Binh Son where a culvert was blown is open to one-way traffic only.
57	1559		3/4 TOC, Totals 6 enemy KIA, 1 VC CIA, expected to have an element from the South to move back in the old AO by tonight. As of now no CA planned for tonight.
58	1614		198 <sup>th</sup> B/1/6, time 1336H, coord BT031602, discovered body VC with 1 Chicom grenade plus litter made from poncho, believed killed by Arty fire. Res 1 VC KIA(c).
59	1530		3/4, 1/14, time 1445H, vic coord BT811312. Arty equipment dropped. B/2/35 will be CA into area and secure. EOD team will salvage or destroy the equipment. There was no enemy activity reported in the area.
60	1650		1 <sup>st</sup> MAR DIV called and stated that operation planned for Northern part of Wheeler AO has been canceled, delayed until later date. We will be advised when it is to go.
61	1704		198 <sup>th</sup> , E/1/6, time 0842H, vic coord BS589921, while on a sweep of the area found 2 women dead in a bunker killed by indirect fire results. 2 VC KIA(c).
62	1645		2 <sup>nd</sup> ROK Bde, time 1645H, vic coord BS655930. Sgt Louker from Chong Yung had 14 WIA ROK from booby trap 1230H in loc BS655930. Had 1 ROK wounded BS764855 at 1105H.
63	1730		196 <sup>th</sup> , B/4/31, time 1550H, vic coord BT090269, found hut containing 4,000 pounds of rice. Will be evacuated to Tien Phuc.
64	1735		Marinani MAG 13 1 MAW TADC, time 1655H, US Army aircraft reported to senior air director at Chu Lai (DASC) that 4 red and 4 white flares were seen vic coord BS7784, signal for VC attack.
65	1738		Div Eng, time 1738H, route #1 open from Binh Son for two way traffic. Hole in road at BS627837 limits traffic at that point to one way. Estimated time of repair tomorrow.
66	1818		196, A/4/31 at 1700H vic BT125267, found 2,200 lbs of rice. Rice will be evac.
67	1845		198, 1/14 Arty at 030930H vic BS603924, aerial observer observed 4 VC lying in rice paddy killed by Arty. Res: 4 VC KIA(c).
68	1940		3/4, B/1/9 at 031445 vic BS633514 found 2 bodies at helicopter (see Journal entry 46).
69	1945		3/4, received report from Mo Duc at 031900 that 6 armed VC and one US prisoner were seen at 1700 vic BS699585 hiding under bridge to avoid helicopters searching area. R/2/35 moving to location to investigate.
70	2022		B/1/9 at 1713H vic BT362011 engaged 3 MAM who were evading. Res: 3 VC KIA(c). One VC was wearing a pack.
71	2145		Ref Journal entry no. 69. R/2/35 has searched area with neg results. Surrounded area and now waiting until morning.
72	2155		3/4 Bde Avn, time 1035, vic coord BS832307, observed and engaged 2 men with weapons. Res: 2 VC KIA(c).
73	2200		198 <sup>th</sup> SITREP, no change.
74	2215		Ref Journal entry number 58. 1/14 located all dropped Arty equip and destroyed everything. It consisted of only rounds.
75	2216		1/1 closed back into Duc Pho by 1721H.
76	2400		OPNS SUMMARY FOR THE AMERICAL DIV for the 24 hr period ending 032400H. See SITREP for the 2400H period and WHEELER/WALLOWA SITREP #332, 333, 334,335. Opn W/W continued w/light contact. 196 cont'd S&D opns in zone w/1 contact, res 1 VC KIA(c), 1 IW. 3/1 cont'd opns in zone w/6 contacts, res KHA, 3 WHA(minor) 16 VC KIA(c), 2 IW. 3/4 cont'd S&D opns in zone w/4 contacts, res 7 VC KIA(c). 198 <sup>th</sup> cont'd S&D opns in zone and also swept the areas of contact last night near Binh Son area w/7 contacts, res 23 VC KIA(c), 1 IW, 1 KHA, 5 WHA(evac), 2 WHA(minor). Totals for the AMCAL DIV: 3 KHA, 5 WHA(evac), 5 WHA(minor), 46 VC KIA(c), 3 IW.
77	2400		JOURNAL CLOSED.

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2	0210		CAP K-5 at 032245H, vic BT416123 brought civ into compound (13 yr old male). He was shot in right arm, left leg, and chest by VC. Incident occurred on or near the AMBO Bridge. Medevac at 2300H.
3	0210		CAP L-6 at 032150H, vic BS572936 rec'd 30 rds AW sniper fire, called for illum, checked area w/neg results.
4		0330	Called 3/1, (Sgt Bradem), 196 <sup>th</sup> , (Sgt Harrison), 198 <sup>th</sup> , (Lt Blanco), 3/4, (Sgt Johns), and informed them that AMCAL FRAGO 14 to WHEELER/WALLOWA was available for pickup at this location.
5	0815		39 <sup>th</sup> Engr, Co A, at 0743H, vic BS721580, found blown culvert. Hole is 12' wide by 3' deep. Road is not passable. ETR: 1100H.
6	0846		3/4, CA of C/2/35, 1 <sup>st</sup> lift TD 0730H vic BS669538, cold LZ. CA of A/2/35 in 2 lifts, 1 <sup>st</sup> lift at 0748H vic BS649553, 2 <sup>nd</sup> lift at 0807H vic BS644553. Both LZ's cold.
7	0855		3/4, Bde Avn at 0805H, vic BS665537, obs and engaged 2 VC, res 1 VC KIA(c).
8	0905		3/1, B/1/9, 0803H vic BT103373, engaged 2 VC, res 2 VC KIA(c).
9		0930	Called 3/1 and 196 to have LNO bring O/L of Bn boundaries in accordance with new AOs.
10	0945		3/4, ref CA of B/2/35, went in two lifts. 1 <sup>st</sup> lift TD 0844H vic BS656528, 2 <sup>nd</sup> lift TD 0905H vic BS643538. Both LZs cold.
11	1014		196, D/3/21, 0900H vic BT054258, obs 1 VC and engaged w/SA. VC ran into bunker. Frdly threw in HG, collapsing the bunker. Trying to dig bunker out.
12	1016		196, A/2/1, 0804H vic BT135219 fd 3 rds M1 carbine ammo, evac'd to 196 TOC.
13	1017		196, C/2/1, 0912H, vic BT133233 fd female in hooch, husband believed to be VC. Female being evac'd to 2/1 CP for interrogation.
14	1020		198, 555 <sup>th</sup> Engr, 0955H, vic BS578976, fd 3 mines – one attached to trip wire (Chicom HG), other 2 cmd detonated, type unk. HG blown in place, other 2 evac'd to CP.
15	1030		196, C/4/31, 1010H, vic BT145239 fd hooch w/5000 lbs unpolished rice – will evac.
16	1040		198, 0945H, req the designation of the RVN unit located at BINH SON. Plans are for the next week or two to keep one inf plt and four tracks on the N side of the BINH SON Bridge.
17	1115		3/4, Hwy open from QUANG NGAI to BONG SON. 3/4 convoy enroute to pick up southbound convoy.
18	1115		Msg from LTC Blagg, III MAF COC, to CPT Parker: C/1/1 statistics should be reported through AMCAL channels even though they are achieved in support of 5 <sup>th</sup> ARVN Regt. Rule: All US statistics reported through US channels.
19	1125		196, C/2/1, 1110H, vic BT125233 found cave w/M1 rifle, BAR, and doc's. Still checking area.
20	1145		3/4, C/2/35, 1005H, vic BS664537 fd 2 bolt action rifles and 1 shotgun. Presently trying to get some VC out of hole at this location. S1 and interpreter on way to loc now. MTF.
21	1145		3/4, D/1/14, 1045H, vic BS776264 obs and engaged 3 NVA, res 2 NVA KIA(c), no wpns found.
22	1148		3/4, C/2/35, 1118H, vic BS664537 obs and det'd 1 male.
23	1150		39 <sup>th</sup> Engr reports road open from Chu Lai to LZ Montezuma.
24	1200		198, B/1/46, 1123H, vic BT342072 fd 3 camouflaged huts and saw 3 VC in light uniforms, 1 had armor vest. Eng'd w/SA fire. Believed one to be wounded and followed blood trails. Found 6 packs, 1 knife, 1 entrenching tool, 1 VC protective mask, paper targets, diary, letters, newspapers, 34 rds 7.62 ammo, 7 rds AK-47 ammo, box w/gray and black uniforms in the hut. MTF.
25	1205		3/1, D/5/7, 1042H extracted frm LZ O'Connor and moved to LZ Colt.
26	1252		3/4, C/2/35, 1118H (follow up rept), ref entry #22. Fd additional 8 det in hole and still receiving sporadic fire frm hole. Total now 9 det. – MTF.
27	1253		3/4, D/1/14, 1130H, vic BS766263, obs & eng'd 5 NVA w/wpns, res 2 NVA KIA(c), 1 US WHA(evac). In contact at this time w/unk size force. Captured 1 SKS (#56798) and 50lbs rice. MTF.
28	1310		3/1, C/5/7, 1155H, completed combat assault vic BT125352 – LZ cold.
29	1320		198 <sup>th</sup> , in ref to journal item #24, B/1/46 at 1250H reports 1 VC KIA (c) at same coordinates, 1 frdly wounded in chest by shrapnel. MTF.
30	1330		3/1, D/1/35, 1130H, vic BT127506, rec'd AS fire fm BT127514 and req gunship. Fd 1 dead en at BT127506 KIA by SA and dead approx 6 hrs, res 1 NVA KIA(c), contact broken after approx 13 minutes.
31	1430		196, 4/31, 1230H, vic BT091279 fd 2 tunnels not recently used, camouflaged, were dest.
32	1300		CPT Johnson, 3/1, 1300H, vic AT955365 req permission to drop 33 barrels CS fm CH47 vic BS955365 at 1430H to estab a barrier. Cav is going in tomorrow. This info was passed in clear. Passed req to 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar Div 1324H. CPT Parker contacted LT Ogg and permission was granted.
33	1445		196, C/2/1, 1325H, vic BT133236, obs & eng'd 4 VC. MTF.

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34	1405		Ref entry #24, 1 VC KIA(c), 5 meters N of last location.
35	1408		Ref entry #20, 3/4 3 VC KIA(c), 11 PW's. MTF.
36	1420		3/1 & 196. Bde boundaries have been changed so that NUI LOC SON NFZ is now in 196 <sup>th</sup> area. Bdry line now follows BT080310 to BT020310 to AT980290 to AT980265. Will take effect immediately.
37	1500		B/39 Engr, 1030H, vic BT282252, rec'd 25-30 sniper rds & obs 3 VC w/wpn. Neg cas. Left area as soon as possible. Passed same area at 1300H and obs 1 VC KIA(c) along roadside.
38	1501		3/4, 1400H, vic BS609398 obs & eng'd 4 NVA wearing green unif's & webgear w/wpn, res 4 NVA KIA(c).
39	1505		B/1/46, 1450H, vic BT345075, rec'd SA/AW fire, res 1 WHA. Heli req at 1500H for evac. Gunships have been scrambled. MTF.
40	1506		196, C/7/17, 1430H, vic BT133281 obs & eng'd 2 VC running into tunnel, res 2 VC KIA(c).
41	1508		Ref item #11. Final res fd pieces of rucksacks, bl PJs, and skin & blood, res 1 VC KIA(c).
42	1535		By dedicated circuit fr CG, AMCAL DIV to CG, 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar Div Info CG, III MAF. Subject: AO Request
43	1536		198, B/1/46, 1450H, vic BT345075. Ref item #39. WHA evac'd at 1504H.
44	1555		B/1/7 completed airlift fm LZ Colt to LZ Baldy at 1553H.
45	1620		D/1/35, 1546H, vic BT125514, rec'd AW fire & believe there is a tunnel complex where the fire came from. Have Spooky on req, res 1 VC KIA(c). Contact cont. MTF.
46	1621		Question fr LTC Granger – What is 3/1 doing to spt B/1/1 with C&C or Log Ship? Unit has had no shop for last 2 days. Called 3/1 and answer was that no ships were available for B/1/1. AMCAL has not had any available to give to them.
47	1630		Called USARV (MAJ Dickel, 7 LB 4434) and informed him the 11 <sup>th</sup> Bde Adv Party closed Duc Pho 041400H Nov [?] 67. MAJ Dickel stated that USARV HQ desires to send a contact team to visit the 11 <sup>th</sup> Bde consisting of G1, G3, & G4. Representation for purpose of determining problem areas and needs necessary assistance to solve them. He was informed that he will be contacted soonest on this matter.
48	1650		3/1, 1/3 CAC, 1625H a woman fr THUONG HOAI village, captive in Chu Lai, is definitely VC. A Marine disappeared last Aug 7 <sup>th</sup> and she helped keep him prisoner. Marines claim they knew her.
49	1650		Rec'd call fr SGT Petro, QUANG NGAI SF (Tro Bong) req AO ext thru 2 <sup>nd</sup> ARVN Div: BS4888-4882-4388-4382 from 080830H – 111900H Dec. Area req is in ROKMC/ARVN coordination zone.
50	1833		Reports that the CS displacement is complete fm AT951365 to AT940364 at 1345H. They anticipate a one month stay of the CS but could not recon the area because of weather.
51	1835		196, SQDN CO 1/1, 1410H, vic BT206378, USMC ptl had a VN woman brought to them severely wounded w/stomach cut open. She was evac'd to 2 <sup>nd</sup> Surg 1435H. She came fm E of frdly loc and claimed VC cut her.
52	1805		3/1, B/1/9, 1805H, vic BT325295 eng'd 2 VC in bl PJs (one was grenade, other shot).
53	1830		Ref item #27 should read 3 NVA KIA(c).
54	1845		3/1 wants to term the bdry ext they have to the NE as of 1845H 4 Dec 67.
55		1905	Weather effects rept phoned to III MAF.
56	1900		Call fr 198 <sup>th</sup> (CPT Fulmer) req for inof on clearance to fire in the water near An Tan Bridge and downstream. 198 <sup>th</sup> had not fired there before because of restrictions and lack of curfew understanding. Checked FSE who knew of no restrictions. Referred to ARVN officials for political clearance to fire. As long as ARVN says go, can fire.
57	2000		Duty Off place call to all units and fd no units in contact.
58	2040		BINH SON at 2035H has reported they are under attack. 1 Plt fm E/1/6 and 3 tracks in area are req illum. MTF.
59	2045		B/1/52, 1850H, vic BS639954 elem sighted 11-12 men w/wpn in boat moving N-S, eng'd and sunk boat, but water prevents them fm getting to boat. Will check in the morning.
60	2046		C/1/52, 2000H, vic BT629022 amb spotted 5 VC & eng'd w/SA, res 1 VCD KIA(c). Searching area now.
61	2100		198 <sup>th</sup> reports BINH SON is being mortared fm W at 2100H.
62	2110		Rec'd SECRET Msg fr 1s Mar Div COC, subj: AO Req, DTG: 041245H.
63	2130		Ref item #60 – Add 12 VC KIA(c).
64	2130		3/1 Bde Scts, 1910H vic BT105365 obs & eng'd 1 VC, res 1 VC KIA(c).
65	2131		3/4 Bde Avn, 1700H, vic BS907284 obs & eng'd 1 VC, res 1 VC KIA(c).

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1	0001		JOURNAL OPENED
2	0020		196 at 0015H vic BT2900050 rec'd 50 cal fire while returning fr mission. Loc in ARVN territory and could not be cleared for fire. Will rept to Tam Ky. Rptd to Tam Ky to Cpt Corley who is checking and will inform 196 <sup>th</sup> if they will clear area for fire.
3	0100		Tam Ky (CPT Corley) at 0050H reported that our gunships have been violating the NFZ bounded by BT422166, 385243, 437180. Req we emphasize this to gunships.
4	0110		AMCAL-CLDC at 0100, CLDC called and gave a practice RED alert. Notified PM & LTC Granger. 198 <sup>th</sup> notified immediately after AMCAL call.
5	0150		198 <sup>th</sup> & CLDC at 0140H: reaction force of 198 <sup>th</sup> , reported into CLDC net.
6	0150		Practice RED alert – (CLDC) – called CO, CLDC at 0120H, and req status of units involved in alert. Following reported as 100%: MAG 12, MAG 13, sub-sectors 4, 5, 7, 8. The reaction force company fr 198 <sup>th</sup> checked into the CLDC net at 0130H. Alert terminated at 0150H.
7	0200		CLDC at 0150H – CLDC terminated RED Practice Alert.
8	0810		3/4, SGT Quamley S-2, Time 0805, vic BS785489, culvert blown at above coordinate, blown during the night, that is all he knew at the present.
9	0800		Ref to journal item 60, 4 Dec 67, 1850H, BS639954, B/1/52, eng'd and sank boat. Res unk. Change res to 12 VC KIA(p).
10	0800		3/4, time 0805H, vic BS57558489, ref journal entry #8, addl info on culvert. 70" culvert blown w/a hole in the road 7' by approx 8' or 9'. Est time of repair is 1030H. ADE office advised.
11	0903		3/1, 1 <sup>st</sup> Bde Avn, vic BT095475, spotted VC, he evaded, scout ship killed him. More to follow.
12	0840		198 <sup>th</sup> , call from MAJ Sanders, received call from MAJ Williby, requested two squads of MPs to protect property from looters. (0845) 1. Called Quang Ngai and they did not know anything about it. They said they would check it and provide ARVN troops for the mission. 2. Talked to COL Granger and was informed that this was ARVN responsibility. (0905) – Received call from Quang Ngai and they stated that they had coordinated with Binh Son and that ARVN would support request made by MAJ Williby.
13	0920		Call from 3/4, C/A of 3/4 – 2/35, 1 <sup>st</sup> lift B/2/35 at 0729H, vic BS683578. 2 <sup>nd</sup> lift B/2/35 at 0755lift A/2/35 at 0838H, vic BS626554, 2 <sup>nd</sup> lift A/2/35 at 0857H, vic BS632547. All LZs cold.
14			In Ref to journal #11, VC has web gear but no weapon.
15	0927		Call from 3/4, 6/A for recon 2/35, at 0917H, vic BS637553. LZ cold.
16	0930		3/1, 11 <sup>th</sup> Avn, time 0845H, vic BT082353, CH47 rec'd 20 rds SA fire, 2 rds hit ACFT. ACFT flying at 50', speed 105 knots. ACFT not flyable. Loc at LZ Baldy.
17	0958		3/1, B/1/9, time 0910H, vic BT110462, obs & eng'd 8-10 mil age males, uniforms & wpns. Res: 2 NVA KIA(c), 1 SKS destroyed. C/1/35 is going into area to check it out.
18	1000		198 – A/1/14, Arty closed BS485968 at 050900H with 6 tubes.
19	1020		From 196 <sup>th</sup> , Requirement exists for LRRP to be employed in the area bounded by BT0417-0415-0615 and 0617. Request LRRP plat ldr meet charger 860 at 0615H, 6 Dec. Have him check in with Admin Tower upon his arrival. He will be brought by charger 860 to mustang location. Admin Pad overflight scheduled for 6 Dec 1000H to recon his area of employment. The remainder of his patrol to be picked up at 0630H, 7 Dec at Admin Pad. Have patrol check in with tower upon arrival.
20	1105		196 <sup>th</sup> , BTOC, B/2/1, completed CA at 1041H, vic BT195245, LZ Green. A/4/31 completed heli lift at 1032H, vic BT017257.
21	1115		3/1, B/1/9, time 0910H, ref to journal entry number 17 – add 1 NVA KIA(c) and 2 IW CIA, subtract 1 SKS destroyed.
22	1116		3/1, time 1045H, vic BT014334, a CH47 was hit with 1 round of AW fire. Don't know how many rounds were fired. The aircraft was flying at 80 knots at 300 ft altitude, it is not flyable and is on the ground at LZ Ross.
23	1120		Call from 3/1, C/A, A/1/7, at 1047H. Vic BT066409. LZ cold.
24		1130	Daily Battalion Maneuver Report to III MAF COC.
25	1123		3/1, Bde Avn at 0730H vic BT095475, obs 1 VC in bl PJs w/web gear, eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
26	1127		3/4, C/2/35 at 1122H vic BS664537, found 1 M1 carbine in tunnel. Res: 1 M1 carbine CIA. SN#1439200.
27	1200		Call from 198 <sup>th</sup> TOC, caller was MAJ Sanders. Binh Son has requested an EOD team to clear mines and booby traps from inside Binh Son perimeter. Contacted EOD and was informed that EOD team will be dispatched after dinner.

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28	1130		Call to G3, USARV, LB – Ref to journal #48, 04 Dec 67. (Contact team to visit the 11 <sup>th</sup> Bde). Informed MAJ Dickel that 10 Dec 67, would be satisfactory date for USARV, G1, G3, and G4 representative to visit the Americal Div. MAJ Dickel will contact MAJ Campbell, G3, contact officer, relative to this matter. Further, inform MAJ Dickel that the contact team could possibly join and accompany to Chu Lai a contingent of 11 <sup>th</sup> Bde due to arrive 10 Dec 67.
29			[#29 missing]
30	1230		198 <sup>th</sup> , C/1/6, time 1135H, vic BS525939, obs & eng'd 1 EN w/web gear & medical supplies, documents, and photos. Res: 1 NVA KIA(c). Documents and photos evac. Photos showed the man in black uniform w/web gear on; another photo showed him in a khaki uniform with epilat brass on.
31	1236		D/2/1 time 1215H, vic coord BT143239, found rice cache consisting of 5,000 lbs of rice, will evac.
32	1251		A/2/35, time 1215H, vic coord BS632556, found 2 12 gauge shot guns. Both wrapped in a poncho tucked into a hole.
33	1252		C/2/35, time 1220, vic coord BS664537, found 1 detainee in a cave. MTF.
34	1256		B/4/31 time 1100H, vic coord BT062288 found and destroyed 1 ton of rice.
35	1310		C/7/17 CAV time 1245H, vic coord BT195284, obs and eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
36	1315		C/1/46, time 1255H, vic coord BT349079, made contact with unknown size enemy force. Res: 2 WHA(evac). Contact continues. MTF.
37	1330		C/7/17 CAV, time 1247H, vic coord BT192385, eng'd 1 individual and wounded him. A/1/1 evacuated the detainee back to their CP. Team from 569 <sup>th</sup> MI detachment on way to interrogate.
38	1333		D/1/7, time 1146H, vic coord BT038412, completed a CA B/1/7, time 1230H, vic coord BT062416 completed a CA. Both LZs were Green.
39	1345		C/7/17, time 1305, vic coord BT091297, obs a rice cache with between 1500 to 2000 lbs. It was camouflaged. Notified 4/31 of the incident.
40	1346		C/7/17, time 0900, vic coord BT924292, obs 1 Vietnamese male w/fatigues and poncho. No weapon, no action taken.
41	1347		C/7/17, time 1055H, vic coord BT200235, found a tunnel complex and 50 cal positions not used in the past 7 days. 2/1 was notified.
42	1348		Ref journal entry #36, C/1/46 contact continues, 6 more US WHA (evac).
43	1349		DTOC time 1345H, passed information to S-3 3/1 from G3 concerning engagement of targets by B/1/9 outside of AO's and NFZ. Firing in these areas must be coordinated with the units responsible.
44	1350		198 <sup>th</sup> , In ref to journal entry #32, the serial numbers of the shot guns are listed as follows: SN8457 – 98752.
45	1351		198 <sup>th</sup> , TOC in ref to journal entry #36 and #42, C/1/46 should read total (3) WHA (evac). 1 leg wound, 1 chest wound serious, and 1 shoulder wound. Evacuation was complete at 1330. C/1/46 is pinned down by sniper fire. Calling for air strike on. the enemy position, there are approx 4 snipers.
46	1430		3/1, time taken 1430, C/A C/1/7. Complete 1114H, vic BT038417, LZ cold.
47	0800		Ref to journal item #60, 4 Dec, 1850H, vic BS639954, B/1/52 eng'd and sank boat. Res: unk. Change res to 12 VC KIA(p).
48	1455		196 <sup>th</sup> Tam Ky, time 1000H, radio from Tam Ky reports that they have one returnee who knows a location of a cache of rice. He was picked up by 196 <sup>th</sup> , TOC, and is going to be turned in for expatriation to the 3/21.
49	1454		196 <sup>th</sup> , Tam Ky, Time 0900H, vic BT0208. Report by radio from Tam Ky that 35 returnees at Nui Loc Son, requested that 196 <sup>th</sup> evacuate them to Thang Binh, to begin at 1500 today. 196 <sup>th</sup> will have a IPW team to go down to the area and screen them.
50			Delete entry - 0800, ref item #60, journal 4 Dec 1850H, BS639954, B/1/52, eng'd and sank boat. Res unk. Change res to 12 VC KIA(p).
51	1455		Delete entry – 196 <sup>th</sup> Tam Ky, time 1000H, radio from Tam Ky reports that they have one returnee who knows a location of a cache of rice. He was picked up by 196 <sup>th</sup> , TOC, and is going to be turned in for expatriation to the 3/21.
52	1545		198 <sup>th</sup> , C/1/46, time 1410, vic BT349079,. In ref to journal item #36. Contact with enemy broken when gunships came in. Neg enemy cas to report at this time.
53	1625		Reply to USARV request: As of this time 11 <sup>th</sup> Bde Arrivals include 239 EM, 91 Off of whom 37 are commanders from Bde CG down to company level. Info still required: How much tonnage has arrived. Who is still expected in the next few days from the Advance Party.
54	1615		198 <sup>th</sup> , S2/1/6, time 1600H, vic BS583950, USMC ½ ton detonated mine, size and type unk. Res 8 WHA, 2 critical(evac) marines.

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55	1635		Ref item #53, additional. 1 NFO received fr CPT Dallas 11 <sup>th</sup> Bde – 127 short tons of cargo have arrived, also 43 people of rear party expected on 10 Dec.
56	1640		198 <sup>th</sup> , C/1/46, time 1615H, vic BT346086. Eng'd by AW/SA fire, are firing back at this time. Neg cas reported on either side. Contact continues.
57	1715		196 <sup>th</sup> , B/2/1, time 1648H, vic 182251. Rec'd SA fire, returned fire, swept area, neg results.
58	1730		NILO Village leader, a squad of VC spent the night of 4 Dec at location vic BT477125. They spent last night at loc vic BT485144 and moved west from there. The leader of this squad is supposedly Huynh Chi Hung.
59	1731		B/1/9 Avn, time 1709H, vic coord BT015375, obs 8-9 military age males wearing camouflage and carrying weapons. Eng'd and received AW fire. Aircraft speed 50 kts., alt 10'. Pilot and gunner WHA(evac). Acft took numerous hits. Type aircraft UH1B and it is still flyable. Dispatched gunships to that location.
60	1740		CAP, L-4, time 1725H, vic BS647995. The people in the village and some of the P.F.'s say there are 100 VC at the above cords, and they are going to hit the 1/52 & L-4 tonight like they did at Binh Son last night. They are supposed to move out at 1800H.
61	1750		198 <sup>th</sup> , C/1/46, time 1730H, ref to journal entry #56. Contact broken with enemy.
62	1800		3/1, B/1/9, time 1709, vic BT015375, ref to journal entry #59. Elements of the Blue Team from B/1/9 still in contact with an unk size enemy force. Results at this time are 2 US WHA(evac), 12 NVA KIA(c).
63	1735		2 <sup>nd</sup> ARVN Div TOC passed the following information to DTOC. Special forces will conduct operation in the following area: Fm BS4888, to BS4882 to BS4388 to BS4382 during the period 080830H to 111900H Dec 67.
64	1800		198 <sup>th</sup> , Ly Tinh District, time 0800-1700H. Intelligence reports indicate that enemy mortar positions are located at the following coordinates: BT495033, BT503043, BT516032, and BT511022. H/?/17 Cav has been dispatched to search area.
65	1805		1 <sup>st</sup> Mar Air Wing, VMO-3, time 1500H, vic YD410. Unusual heavy boat traffic moving in both directions on river.
66	1806		1 <sup>st</sup> Mar Air Wing, VMO-3, time 1645H, vic YD789114, 1 boat underwater 18' long, 3' wide, no people obs.
67	1830		198 <sup>th</sup> , 1/52, time 1815H, vic BS621019, 1/52 obs large population evacuating village of Song Tra. Hel was dispatched to obs activity.
68	1843		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 1752H, vic BT177264, obs 1 VC in trench. Started running, 5 others joined running into woodline. Gunships fired into woodline. Neg res. Gunships drew fire fr same location at 1810H, calling arty.
69	1930		III MAF, MAG 16-01 Det, time 1745H, BT180536, obs 300m of trench line running NE, 100 of which is freshly dug. BT205555, obs 50-60 fighting holes freshly dug. No people obs.
70	1936		3/1, B/1/9, time 1709H. Ref to journal no. 62 and 59. Contact broke approx 1745H. Total results: 2 US WHA(evac), 12 NVA KIA(c), 2 AK 47 and 1 SKS CIA, also doc, webgear and packs CIA.
71	1930		3/1, obs helo received heavy SA & AW fire vic BT2254 sandbar. Called in arty fire 1800H. S3 recommended that two companies be CA'd into area approx 070730H.
72	2030		71 <sup>st</sup> Avn, time 1755H, vic coord BT214309. Gunship making perimeter check received one round SA fire.
73	2031		C/2/1, time 1950H, vic coord BT121219, 1 individual walked into perimeter; detained him, will evac in morning.
74	2032		C/3/21, time 1925H, vic coord BT087204, 1 VC attempted to penetrate perimeter. Engaged, res 1 VC KIA(c).
75	2052		B/2/35 at 430H vic BS667576, engaged 2 VC in a bunker. One VC was MEDEVAC'd for smoke inhalation but he died at 1800H. Res: 1 VC KIA(c), 1 detained.
76	2125		Ref journal entry number 62, change to read 2 US WHA(evac), 17 NVA KIA(c), 3 IW CIA.
77	2126		B/1/9, time 031713H, vic coord BT362011, eng'd 3 VC. Res 3 VC KIA(c).
78	2127		B/1/52, time 2010H, vic coord BT348083, patrol on way to ambush location encountered 3 personnel coming fr rice paddy. Personnel fired on patrol. Patrol fired bac. Res 1 VC KIA(c).
79	2128		B/1/52, time 1106H, vic coord BS632955, found 2 bodies on river side with web gear, 1 US grenade and 1 unk type grenade. Res 2 VC KIA(c).
80	2129		B/1/52, time 0931H, vic coord BS647970 found 1 body floating in river. Res 1 VC KIA(c).
81	2130		C/1/46, time 1628H, vic coord BT348083. A man was shot in the leg by a sniper. Res 1 WHA(evac).
82	2131		B/5/7, time 1600H, vic coord AT946278, eng'd 3 VC. Res 1 VC KIA(c).
83	2132		3/1 Bde Scouts, time 1520H, vic coord BT094340, eng'd 1 VC. Res 1 VC KIA(c).
84	2133		1/21 Arty, time 1430, vic coord BT038411, found 1 VC KIA(c) by arty.

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1	0001		JOURNAL OPENED
2	0030		Rec'd SECRET msg frm 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar Div, 051440Z, DTG concerning extension requests.
3	0205		MAJ Biddle (G3 Air) informed Duty Officer (CPT K) that the Arc Light that AMCAL DIV had req for 3/1 ACD will not go in. Notified 3/1 Duty Officer (CPT Baker).
4	0220		198, 1/6, at 0217H vic BS577964 rec'd 6-10 rds sniper fire and returned fire. Neg res.
5	0753		3/4, 174 Avn, Time 0148, Vic BS724510, Bridge has been blown, road is closed to traffic until further notice.
6	0805		196, C/1/1, Time 0753H, vic BT217363. Fnd M39 set up for pressure detonation on Hwy One. Disarmed it, and took it off the road.
7			Ref to Journal item No. 5, coord should read BS724570.
8	0830		CA, A/2/35, TD 073041, BS828417, 0745, LZ BS820427 Cold. Bridge BS724570.
9	0830		38 Engr, C/39 Engr, Time 0730, vic BS724572. Mine sweep bridge. 1S12 – 99% destroyed by fire; road closed. ET opening 1200H.
10	0835		CA 2/12, D 2/12, 1 <sup>st</sup> lift 0731, TD 0748. LZ Cold.
11	0855		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/3/21, Time 0830H, Vic BT099215, obs and eng'd 1 VC who was trying to evade. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
12	0900		198 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/52, Time 0810, Vic BS699938, obs and eng'd 2 VC. Results: 2 VC KIA(c) and also picked up two individuals – detained.
13	0903		3/1, Time 0855, vic BT2054. An OH-13 was downed in this vicinity after receiving a hit in the hydraulic system. The Blues of B/1/9 are on their way in and in case they get into trouble B/1/35 has been alerted to stand by for possible insertion. G2, G3, Cofs, advised.
14	0945		2/12, D Co, 1 <sup>st</sup> Lift 0829H, TD 0846H complete 0904H, LZ Cold, LZ BT995358 LZ Nicole.
15	0945		Ref to Journal item No. 13. 196 <sup>th</sup> , S-2 Time 0930H, aircraft extracted. No casualties, no injuries.
16	0950		Hoi An, CPT Delaney cleared the AO extension in the northern portion of the 3/1 area. Coord, fr BT137506 and along the river to BT222576. The AO extension to the West of Wheeler / Wallawa was cleared with the following exceptions: AT8834 N to AT 8844.
17	1020		Div Avn, 71 <sup>st</sup> Avn Co, Time 1010H, vic BT642077. An airplane observed a 40' sampan on the beach with a lot of people around it. This is in the same area that the people were leaving en mass because of a 100 reported VC coming into the town. See journal entry #67. The 198 <sup>th</sup> was notified and they have a platoon about 1200 m away. They will check it out with a C & C ship and troops.
18	0955		198 <sup>th</sup> , COL Fuller informed DTOC that ROK Marines were reluctant to discuss plans for the change over of responsibility for the ROK AO. The ROK's would like representation from III MAF and AMERICAL DIV HQ. COL Granger informed TOC to coordinate with III MAF. III MAF informed MAJ Breuer that two project officers were assigned (MAJ Walker – Army) & (LT COL Hatch – USMC), and they would contact Americal with reference to a meeting with the ROKs.
19	1045		Call from CAPT Corrigan, 196 <sup>th</sup> requested an AO extension bounded by AT9518, AT9515, AT9715, AT9717 for a planned LRRP insertion. He later advised us that he wanted an extra 2000m to the 9915, 9916. This AO extension has been approved by G3 for the period from 070001 to 102400. Artillery advised of the extension.
20	1100		Ref to Journal entry No. 67, 5 Dec. CAG, CAP L-4, Time 0730H, vic BS692001. Patrol fr San Tra (BS621009) attempted to find out why people were leaving village last night. Claim to be taking rice to 200 VC at Ty Bien 1 and 2, (BS648045, BS645025). Also reported that VC will use these areas as base camp and are passing out leaflets at San Tra. Inf passed to 198 <sup>th</sup> Bde, evaluation C-3.
21	1100		3/1, C/2/20, ARA, Time 0813, vic BT004358, eng'd 3 indiv, 2 VC KIA(c), 1 KIA(p). 1 AK-47 & 2 packs captured.
22	1105		3/1, Bde Scouts, Time 0830H, vic BT187547, eng'd 1 NVA in boat. Res: 1 NVA KIA(c).
23	1105		3/1, D/1/9, time 0830H, Vic BT168533. Inserted 1 <sup>st</sup> plt to secure OH-13. Eng'd and killed 8 VC. Recaptured 1 M16, w ammo, dest 3,000 lb rice.
24	1105		3/1, Bde Scouts, time 0845H, vic BT166529, 700' 2 SA hits, 50 knots, OH-13 secured 0900, lifted out 0930. No injuries.
25	1130		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/2/1, time 0925, vic BT129233, returned to pick up rice discovered yesterday. Rice was booby trapped. Res: 2 US WHA (evac).
26	1138		3/1, Bde Scouts, Time 1000H, vic BT059460, eng'd 2 mil age male, green unif. Res: 2 VC KIA(c).
27	1140		196 <sup>th</sup> , C3/21, time 115H, vic BT091224, Eng'd 4 VC running from patrol. Res: 2 VC KIA(c).
28	1125		3/1, B/1/5, completed CA 1110H. Vic BT175499. LZ Cold.
29	1222		196 <sup>th</sup> , D/3/21, time 1120H, vic BT066285. Eng'd 5 VC with 60mm mortars. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
30	1223		196 <sup>th</sup> , F/17 Cav, Time 1155, vic BT202306. Found 15 spider holes, destroyed.

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31	1225		196 <sup>th</sup> , Hill 29 (MC), 1124 Vic BT258238. Indiv stepped on a mine. Res 1 USMC WHA(evac).
32		1230	III MAF – Daily report on maneuver battalions
33	1255		198 <sup>th</sup> , B/1/52, time 1113, vic BS633965. Found 1 VC body, believed killed on 4 Dec 67. Body had 2,815 dongs and one hand grenade beside it.
34	1300		39 Engr, Time 1300, Vic BS724572, ref to bridge in journal item no. 9. Bypass in operation. Estimated time of bridge repair: 1430H.
35	1315		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 1015H, Vic BT185261, obs and eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 KIA(c).
36	1330		196 <sup>th</sup> , D/3/21, time 1110H, vic BT068265, found tunnel complex, misc documents and equipment captured.
37	1330		196 <sup>th</sup> , D/3/21, time 1005H, vic AT068265, obs 3 NVA w/wpons. Res: 1 NVA KIA(c), stripped of wpn/clothing.
38	1230		3/1, C/1/35, and RCM/1/35, completed CA vic BT176511 at 1211H, LZ Cold.
39	1359		196 <sup>th</sup> , F/1/1, Time 1316, vic BT205307, found 1 canteen not US type, 1 homemade knife, some writing paper, a pot made fr a 105 rd, 1 pair pants. All of it was destroyed.
40	1400		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/1, time 1312, vic BT192312. Obs 1 VC running E at 300 meters, pursued and lost contact.
41	1405		196 <sup>th</sup> , D/3/21, time 1320, vic BT060285. Found and destroyed 1 –200lb bomb.
42	1406		196 <sup>th</sup> , D/3/21, time 1345H, vic BT067285, Eng'd 1 VC w/60mm mort, swept area, neg results.
43	1450		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/2/1, time 1430H, vic BT132218, found remains of a woman. She was completely deteriorated, laying near a crater. Buried her on the spot.
44	1240		3/4, A/1/14, Time 0950, vic BS782272, rec fire fr enemy position. Returned fire, swept area. Res 3 NVA KIA(c).
45	1515		196 <sup>th</sup> , 2/1 174 Avn, Time 1435H, vic BT1420. UH-1D rec'd SA fire, aircraft could not see people. Passed info on to 2/1 for further action.
46	1520		3/4, C/2/35, time 1314H, Vic BS688552, a woman came into Mo Duc and said she knew the location of a US body. C/2/35 moved out to location and did find a US body. Believe it may be one of those lost in the helicopter crash in the area. MTF
47	1510		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 1325, vic BT051200, obs small group. Shot at AC – 1 hit, still flying UH-1D.
48	1515		3/1, B/1/9, Time 1500H, vic BT197547, CO, B/1/9, in UH-1D down by ground fire. 2 WHA. D/1/35 & 1 Plt B/1/9 being inserted at this time. Receiving fire fr S& SE.
49	1609		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/1, time 1535H, vic BT187319, found and destroyed 11 spider holes and 3 tunnels. None recently used.
50	1610		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/1, time 1550H, vic BT183317, found and destroyed 3 spider holes, not recently used.
51	1630		198 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/52, vic BS705950, A/1/52 has 1 male detainee, believed to be on the Black List.
52	1645		Call fr 1 <sup>st</sup> Marine Division, 5 <sup>th</sup> Marine Regt. Report of unk number of NVA in grid square AT8030. Is sending an AO to investigate and call artillery if target is spotted.
53	1650		3/1, C/1/35, time 1445, vic BT185527, eng'd 2 VC with wpns. Res: 1 VC KIA, 2 captured weapons, 1 carbine Sn 2907318 – MAT – 50 Sn 363433.
54	1655		3/1, B/1/9, time 1450, vic BT197547, eng'd 1 NVA in green unif evading. Res: 1 NVA KIA. [?] shot down, received fire fr SE & E; 2 friendly WHA. Blues inserted, aircraft secure.
55	1700		3/1, Bde Scouts, time 1420H, vic BT065305, eng'd 1 VC in rice paddy. Res: 1 VC KIA, 1 captured carbine Sn 1020246.
56	1701		3/1, D/2/12, time 1510, vic BT995345. Spotted 2 VC trying to evade, took cover under fire. Res: 2 VC KIA(c).
57	1715		198 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/1, time 1510H, vic BT187528. Aircraft received S/A fire. Res: 1 US WHA(evac). 3 to 4 rds one of which hit aircraft.
58	1600		Call from CPT Johnson, LNO 5 <sup>th</sup> Regt. 2 friendly KIA, 1 wounded in action 120,000 meters of ground cleared, 1000 meters of trench, 120 bomb shelters destroyed, 150 meters of tunnel, 3 mines destroyed, 3 grenade booby traps. 05 2330 (1) bunker hit by illum canister fired by ARVN. Two (2) wounded in action, one (1) serious and one (1) slight.
59	1900		3/1, B/1/9, time 1500H, vic BT197547, 2 NVA KIA(c) (in reference to journal entry no. 48)
60	1901		3/1, C/2/20, time 1500H, vic BT197547, eng'd 6 NVA in bunker. Res: 6 NVA KIA(c).
61	1902		3/1, C/1/35, time 1650H, vic BT198529, 1 chieu hoi surrendered.
62	1915		3/1, ARCLIGHT strike OK, no frdly w/in 3,000 meters.
63	1930		R 2/35 at 1746H, vic BS823441, eng'd 10 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA(c). The rest escaped in a boat.

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1	0001		JOURNAL OPENED
2	0120		At 0104H vic BS596927 (Binh Son Bridge) E 1/6 reported CS gas is spreading S to N. Enemy initiated. Gas dissipated approx 0124H.
3	0730		3/4, C/A for D/2/35 cancelled.
4	0805		B/1/35 received SA fire from AK47 or M1 at 0805H vic BT217534. Neg cas. Checking area.
5	0820		From 1 <sup>st</sup> ACD, Sky King, Time 0100-0500, vic BS877968. Two hits – Borg Son, 201 RF Co attacked by VC Co, lasted 4 hrs. 7 friendly ARVN WHA, 7 VC KIA(c). 3 IW and Bangalore torpedo – still policing.
6	0840		3/4, Bde Avn, time 0805, vic BS655409. Obs 25 VC in open w/packs and wpns. Arty called at 0830. Arty reported 1 VC KIA, 15 bicycles, and 1 hut destroyed.
7	0732		See #4
8	0920		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/2/1, time 0840, vic BT119219. Received 4 to 5 S/A fire. 1 US WHA(evac). Returned fire and checked area. Neg results.
9	0845		ARVN Operation, time 0830, Vic BT235458. 15 VC KIA, 12 VC suspects. Destroyed numerous bunkers, 2 tons rice, 2 sampans, 3 ARVN WHA(evac). Out of the 12 suspects, there were 2 (c) VC.
10	0850		196 <sup>th</sup> , F/17 Cav, time 0050, vic BT193333. Sprung ambush at BT193333. Noises heard. Checked area and found 1 pair pants w/bullet hole.
11	0851		D/3/21, time 0730, vic BT060286. D – 36 moved into village. Obs 1 VC running away. Eng'd w/SA & AW. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
12	0915		198 <sup>th</sup> , time 0915, vic BS6286. Road will be closed south of the 198 <sup>th</sup> from 1030-1200H due to replacement of the culvert. Not known for how far south. MTF advised Traffic Controller.
13	0900		3/1, B/2/12, time 0740, vic BT027363, rec'd sniper fire, returned fire. Res: 1 VC KIA(c). Then obs 5 military males departing village. Detained all 5. Total res: 1 VC KIA(c), and 5 detainees. 1 US WHA(evac).
14	1005		3/4, Bde Avn, Time 0815, vic BS655409. Eng'd unk size EN force. Res: 2 VC KIA(c).
15	1012		196 <sup>th</sup> , B/2/1, time 0926, vic BT176268. Found 600 lbs rice, unable to evac. Destroyed.
16	1010		196 <sup>th</sup> , D/2/1, time 0945, vic BT157261. Found booby trapped bear trap. Has been destroyed.
17	1015		3/1, B/1/9, vic BT175537. One UH-1C, vic BT175537, rec'd 20 rds AW fire. Traveling at 60 knots, altitude 100 ft. Received no hits.
18	1040		198 <sup>th</sup> , time 1040, 1/46 has the following AO approved commencing 9 Dec 67. Coord: BT3212 to BT3203 to BT3604.
19	1045		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/A by A/1/6 cancelled because CO had a different mission for them.
20	0900		3/4, CPT Norton, time 0900H. Requested an indefinite AO extension from 1 <sup>st</sup> Cav Div commencing 072400H in the following area: Fr BS812220 NW to BS800235 NW to BS790242 NW to BS780246 NW to BS770247, NW to BS755255 NW to BS740257, NW to BS635262, NW to BS730260, NW to BS715267, NW to BS709278, NW to BS696284 to BS684297. NW to BS668310 N of BS667320, E to BS748320, to BS785274, to BS803268, to BS867220 to BS812220.
21	1100		3/4, D/1/14, & RCN/1/14, air lifted to LA Bronco – completion 1025H.
22	1000		3/1, S-3, requested guidance on destroying village. The 1/7 is working with PF and the hamlet chief vic BT0443. This area is a Viet Cong staging area, confirmed by the hamlet chief and read out on doc captured 5 Dec 67. The Bn Co, Bde Co of the 3/1 and the hamlet chief agree that the village should be destroyed.
23	1125		2/12, D/2/12, CA: 1 <sup>st</sup> lift 1036. 1 <sup>st</sup> TD 1048, compl 1108H, LZ BT004328, LZ Cold, approach Hot. ARA – assisting CA rec'd AW fire 50 meters NW, lift ship SA 150-200 meters. Eng'd LZ – no hit.
24	1142		196, B/4/31 extraction to TAM KY comp 1100H.
25	1030		B/4/31, extracted 1030 comp 1100 to TAM KY.
26	1205		3/1, D/2/12, time 1048, vic BT004328. See journal entry #23. ARA is firing into area of AW fire. D/2/12 is regrouping to move into area. Neg cas. Weather is misty, 1/2 to 1 mile visibility.
27	1220		2 <sup>nd</sup> ARVN Div, 3/6 Rgt, time 1200H. Cdt CA vic BS523698 and BS515700, LZ COLD. Res of S/D operation as of 1200H, 10 EN KIA(c), 2 VC(c), 1xIW captured.
28	1225		196 <sup>th</sup> , D/3/21, time 1110, vic BT072213. Found the following items in hootch: 1-M16 bolt, 1-45 cal mag, 1-M16 mag, 1-60mm rd, and a small tunnel.
29	1305		3/4, 2 C/As intell rpt of BN CP. B/2/35, TD 1209H, LZ BS819409, LZ COLD. D/2/35, TD 1246, LZ BS804426, LZ COLD. A/2/35, also in same area.
30	1320		198 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/52, time 1255, vic BS715960, A/1/52 was conducting a company sweep and a booby trap was detonated, resulting in 2 friendly KHAs.
31	1355		3/4, D/2/35, time 1340, vic BS801424. Ob s & eng'd 1 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).

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32	1305		3/4, based on intel report of a BN Cp Loc, B/2/35 conducted CA. Vic BS819409 and D/2/35 conducted CA, vic BS804426. Both LZ were Cold.
33	1400		Msg fr MAJ Berry, 196 <sup>th</sup> ref itinerary of GEN Koster and VIP. Depart 196 approx 1415-1420, go to Hill 63, departe Hill 63 approx 1445-1500, arrive III MAF 1515-1520H. T39 to arrive DaNang NLT 1630H.
34	1445		3/1, B/1/9, inf plt inserted 1351H, vic BT015375.
35	1450		196 <sup>th</sup> , D/4/31, time 1310, vic BT965238. Found and evac 2000 lbs rice.
36	1455		196 <sup>th</sup> , F/1/1, time 1137H, vic BT175313. Found & dest 10 spider holes not camouflaged, not recently used.
37	1458		1, C/4/31, time 1025H, vic BT002248. Eng'd 6 VC, one w/weapon, results 3 VC KIA(c), captured 1 wpn unk type; still searching.
38	1500		196 <sup>th</sup> , F/1/1, time 1115H, vic BT169302. Detained one VN male – 1 week 100 VC w/wpons came thru village and took rice.
39	1501		196 <sup>th</sup> , F/1/1, time 1204H, vic BT175313. Found & dest 2 tunnels 30 and 50 feet long. Not used, not camouflaged. Destroyed.
40	1505		196 <sup>th</sup> , D/3/21, time 1140H, vic BT057296. D/2/6 found 2 old VN locked in bunker. VN said they were being held captive by VC.
41	1515		196 <sup>th</sup> , time 1500H, vic BT948167. LRRP Missie inserted and is moving on an aismuth of 92 degrees.
42	1600		3/4, D/2/35, time 1215H, vic BS963550. Received 2 rds of sniper fire. Returned fire, swept area. Res: 2 VC KIA(c).
43	1601		3/4, Bde Avn, Time 0805, vic BS655409. Ref to journal entry no. 6 & 14. Add 1 VC KIA(c) for total of 3 VC KIA(c).
44	1620		198 <sup>th</sup> , E/1/46, time 1500H, vic BT447145, found 4000 to 5000 lbs of rice. Rice will be evac 8 Dec 67.
45	1625		B/1/9, inf plt extracted 1535H. Found one NVA note book, 1 AK47 pouch with AM MO.
46	1645		198 <sup>th</sup> , P.F. at Ly Tien did not show up for work tonight. (Fr G2)
47	1745		3/1, B/1/9, inserted BT094309 at 1710H, extracted 1735H. Neg contact.
48	1855		3/1, B/2/9, time 1730H, vic BT094309. Eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
49	1856		3/1, D/1/35, time 1350H, vic BT204556. Eng'd one VC. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
50	1930		Weather Effects Report to III MAF
51	1930		CAG, CAP K-5, time 1830H, vic BT412123. PF informed to be hit by large NVA force tonight or tomorrow night. No evaluation made.
52	1945		39 <sup>th</sup> Engr, A Co, at 1620H vic BS749491, obs 3 VC attempting to hijack Civilian Lambretta. They engaged with SA. VC fled, called air support. Res: 1 VC WIA/CIA (evac by dustoff), 1 knapsack CIA.
53	2315		3/4, LRRP Team time 2145H, vic coord BS810405. Obs and eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
54	2315		Report fr III MAF- SGT Shorter – G3 NCO I TOC – reported that 2/12 cordoned off village loc vic BT035360, and between 0730H and 0800H fired into village, CAHT – TAY hamlet #5, approx 1 KM north of Qua Son. 20 KIA, 4 WHA.
55	2316		Called 3/1 Cav (CPT Baker), told him to check into this and if it true to call me back and start an SIR report.
56	2330		3/1 called and gave Duty Officer the fact the incident is true, except that there were only 2 killed. An SIR report is required.
57	2333		Report to III MAF that the incident was true bu the number of illied was only 2. III MAF requested a Preliminary Report from us.
58	2335		CPT Baker, 3/1 called. 2 VN killed in friendly Village were members of self defense force, dressed in black PJs and armed. Que Son advisor reported to 3/1 that he had no prior knowledge of them being in Village.
59	2340		196 req following AO: BT2122-2119-2519-2521-2423-2223-2222 for period 080001H – 082400H. There is place within these coord's (BT227209) where homemade mines are being manufactured. Want to use 1/1 ACD for S&D. Tam Ky has approved. <b>DELAYED</b>
60	2340		DELAYED – 3/4, B/2/35, at 1630H vic BS814406. US soldier threw HG in bunker which produced secondary explosion, res 1 WHA(evac).
61	2340		DELAYED – 198 Binh Son HQ at 2000H, 2 HG's thrown against bunkers of Binh Son HQ. MTF.
62	2340		DELAYED – 3/1, D/1/35, at 1930H vic BT190542. Rec'd sniper fire fr 2 directions while moving to amb loc, returned fire. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
63	2340		DELAYED – CAG CAP-I at 1940H vic BT353173. Village chief KY BIECH said VC sqd at preceding coord's (Rich Ngo-)

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1	0001		JOURNAL OPENED
2	0657		196 <sup>th</sup> , Pang Binh, Time 0230H, vic BT226347. Bridge destroyed at BT226347. Extent of damage not yet known.
3	0717		198 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/52, Time 0630H, vic BS663983. Reported one explosion inside a bunker at coord BS663983. Cause of explosion unk. At this time suspect hand grenade. 1 friendly KHA, 2 WHA, medevac at 0645H.
4	0745		3/1, Bde Avn, Time 0731H, vic BT198548. An OH-13 was hit by ground fire and made emergency landing. Landed inside perimeter of D/1/35. No injuries. Acft later flown out to LZ Baldy.
5	0830		3/4, at 0743H, B/1/14, (-), completed CA, vic BS862234. LZ was Cold.
6	0850		3/4, C/2/35, completed combat assaults into 2 LZs at BS804457 and BS798466. Completed at 0827H.
7	0902		3/1, B/1/35, Time 0843H, vic BT212527. Spotted 10 indiv dressed in green unif. Eng'd with 81mm mtr. Res: Neg assessment.
8		0937	Call to 196 <sup>th</sup> , 198 <sup>th</sup> , 3/4, 3/1, taken by 3/1, CPT Lambert, 198 <sup>th</sup> , LT Blanco, 196 <sup>th</sup> , LT Campbell, 3/4, CPT Morton. Time taken 0910, 0915, 0912, 0920. The following information will be covered in the Special Operations paragraph of the 24 Hr SITREP. Effective with the 082000 SITREP, the following information will be included for each 24 hr period. 1. The number of refugees evacuated from each location and the location to which they were evacuated (locations are to be designated by name and coordinates). 2. The number of refugees evacuated voluntarily. 3. The number of refugees evacuated involuntarily. 4. The total number of refugees evacuated. This requirement is from the CG Americal Division.
9	0940		196, C/7/17, time 0755, vic BT241191. Obs 3 individuals. 1 wearing black PJs, one wearing grey uniform w/wpn & pistol belt trying to evade chopper. Taken under fire. VC returned fire. Aircraft received 3 hits. Landed to check damage. MTF.
10	0942		7/17, C/7/17, time 0714H, vic BT230196. Rec'd 1 rd SA fire fr 3 VC w/weapons. Eng'd VC. VC fled to village. Contact was lost.
11	0944		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/2/1, time 0846, vic BT114220. Rec'd 1 rd sniper fire 400 meters NE. Returned fire w/SA. Checking area.
12	0945		196 <sup>th</sup> , D/4/31, time 0900H, vic AT965238. D/1/4/31, talking w/15 to 20 VN, said they wanted to be evacuated to Tam Ky. Also 150 NVA passed through area 4-5 days ago carrying many wounded. Left wounded in vicinity of coord AT9222, AT9322, AT9422. NVA presently located in vic AT9423, armed with AK47, M16, RPG and BAR. NVA also in vic of AT9221, AT9322 in a defensive position. Waiting for US. NVA told villagers if they didn't like it they could leave. At coord AT965238, D/4/31 found 240lb of rice in hootches. Rice and VN to be evac.
13	1005		196 <sup>th</sup> , F/1/17, time 0745H, vic BT176316. Found a camouflaged tunnel 100 meters long. Village in this coord is an R&R center for VC. Also found a booby trapped mine. Mine was not armed. Destroyed.
14	1005		3/1, A/1/7, time 0936H, vic BT022398. 1 US WHA by punji stick. (evac)
15	1006		3/1, C/1/35, time 0948H, vic BT214538. 4 US WHA by booby trap. 3 minor, 1 evac.
16	1006		196 <sup>th</sup> , FAC HELIX 17, time 0855H, vic BT174138. Checked area that A/3/82 fired on. Obs 3 structures damaged. 1 VC KIA(c).
17	1007		196 <sup>th</sup> , F/1/17, time 0900H, vic BT160310. Detained 2 VN females whose stories didn't coincide upon questioning.
18	1039		196 <sup>th</sup> , S3, time 0230H, vic BT226347, Ref to journal No. 2. ETR on bridge is some time in the morning of 9 Dec 67. Engrs plan to work all night tonight to accomplish this.
19	0945		3/4, A/2/35, 1 <sup>st</sup> lift A-CP & 3 Plt. TD 0859H LZ BS805474. 2 <sup>nd</sup> lift 1-A. TD 0911H LZ BS801476. 3 <sup>rd</sup> lift 2-A, TD 0923H, LZ BS805474. All cold LZs.
20	1005		3/4, AT0930H, R/2/35, completed CA. Vic BS833408. LZ cold.
21	1115		3/1, 6 <sup>th</sup> ARVN, time 0935H, vic BT250418. Medevac 9 WHA (1 US, 8 ARVN), 3 were litter cases.
22	1116		3/1, B/1/35, 1000H, vic BT210520. Detained 7 female VC suspects. Will be evacuated.
23	1117		3/1, B/1/9, time 1026H, vic BT085406. Eng'd 1 mil age male evading. Res: 1 VC KIA (c). CIA 1 pack, 1 chicom HG. (grenade destroyed)
24	1118		3/1, B/1/35, time 1030H, vic BT206525. Detained 4 female VC suspects hiding in bunker. Will evacuate.
25	1119		3/1, B/1/7, time 1030H, vic BT052414. Had 60 refugees who want to go to Que Son, but want to take their water buffalo.
26	1120		3/1, B/1/35, time 1055H, vic BT208524. Detained 1 female VC suspect. Will be evacuated.
27	1121		3/1, B/1/7, time 1056H, vic BT055415. Found 400 ft tunnel w/7 entrances. No signs of recent use.
28	1122		3/1, B/1/9, time 1100H, vic AT988366. Observed 1 mil age male hiding in bunker. Engaged. Result 1 VC WIA, unable to extract.

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29	1158		3/4, Bde LRRP, time 2230H, vic BS812406. DELAYED Bde LRRP obs & eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
30	1159		3/4, C/2/35, time 0902H, vic BS797465. Obs & eng'd 1 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
31	1200		3/4, D/2/35, time 1100H, vic BS697562. Obs & eng'd 1 VC evading fr hut. Res: 1 VC KIA(c). Searched hut, found 5 oz gunpowder, 10' commo wire, 3 blasting caps, and all destroyed.
32	1201		3/4, C/1/10, time 1134H, vic BS789436. Located what is believed to be a med bunker. Evacuated by 2 1/2 ton truck. MTF.
33	1240		The boundary change that was scheduled to go into effect between 196 <sup>th</sup> & 3/1 at 081800H has been placed into effect at this time. A/4/31 will CA vic AT9727 at 1300H.
34	1230		1230H – COL Musser called and wanted the following msg relayed to the General's Aide: Rec'd information from GEN Ryder that COL TO has some reliable intelligence information that he would like to discuss with GEN Koster. GEN Ryder wanted to know whether to bring COL To to Chu Lai or would the CG stop by there on his way back from the 3/1? The following answer was given to COL Musser: GEN Koster will return to Tam Ky between the hours 1315H-1330H and discuss the situation with the people involved.
35	1348		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/1/1, time 1313H, vic BT223218. 1 <sup>st</sup> plt received SA fire. Returned fire and checked the area and found a VN female and 1 VN child. Both with gunshot wounds. Both evac to 2 <sup>nd</sup> Surg.
36	1349		196 <sup>th</sup> , D/3/21, time 1125H, vic BT078290. 1 <sup>st</sup> Plt on village sweep questioned a VC male w/shrapnel wounds. He stated he was VC and wanted to be evac. Also wanted family evac. All were evac. Evac to 2 <sup>nd</sup> Surg.
37	1400		3/4, C/2/35, time 0902H, vic BS797465. Eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
38	1401		3/4, Bde Avn, time 0935H, vic BS809476. Rec'd 6 rds ground fire. Aircraft still flyable.
39	1430		3/4, 1/14, time 1400H, request swiftboat vic BS9422, approx 090730H, to keep sampans from leaving the area. C/1/14 and one platoon of ARVN will conduct operation in that area. Notified swiftboats and passed information to duty officer. MTF.
40	1430		3/1, B/2/12, time 1250H, vic BT010355. Rec'd sniper fire. Res 2 US WHA, (evac).
41	1500		96 <sup>th</sup> , C/2/1, time 1310H, vic BT119208. Rec'd 4-5 rds SA fire. Called in arty and did not check area because of mission.
42	1357		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/4/31, completed CA vic AT973270 at 1410H. The first lift on its way in at 1357H. Rec'd sniper fire. Neg cas.
43	1515		Ref to Journal No. 39. Notified 3/4 of the swift boat call sign and gave them the frequency for their operation in the SA Huynh area on 9 Dec 67.
44	1515		Reported from G2, that school in vic BT4310 was burned last night. G2 will check with 198 <sup>th</sup> .
45	1530		196 <sup>th</sup> , D/4/31, time 1435H, vic AT955243. Found & destroyed 450lb of rice.
46	1525		3/1, B/1/9, time 1505H, vic BT039312. Eng'd 3 VC. Res: 3 VC KIA(c), 1xM16 rifle CIA. (wpn evac)
47	1526		3/1, D/2/12, time 1325H, vic AT999337. Eng'd 1 VC trying to evade. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
48	1527		3/1, Bde Scout, time 0735H, vic BT192539. Eng'd 1 VC trying to evade. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
49	1550		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/1/1, time 1530, vic BT218215. Found 1 indiv hiding in tunnel. He was evac fr tunnel. Tunnel will be destroyed.
50	1610		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 1600H, vic BT2[?]5205. Observed and engaged 3 VC. Res: 2 KIA(c).
51	1545		Tam Ky, CPT Corley notified Americal DTOC that Hwy 1 will be closed in Tam Ky town fr 1100-1200H, 9 Dec 67.
52	1630		198 <sup>th</sup> , E/1/46, CA, 1620-BS4160 – cold, 1620- Hot
53	1700		3/4, E/1/14, time 1559H, vic BS935256. M force detained 2 VCs & cap 1 weapon.
54	1810		198, C/1/52 at 1804H rec'd sniper fire fr 3 snipers. Called arty. MTF
55	1815		198 <sup>th</sup> , location of blown culvert given as BT397153.
56	1900		198 <sup>th</sup> , S-3 1/52, time 1620H, vic 634971. MP patrol boat rec'd AW fire from the North side. Checking area. Res: 2 US WHA, 1 PF WHA (evac).
57	1930		3/4, D/2/35, time 1356H, vic BS697553. A soldier threw a grenade into bunker. Res: 1 US WHA (evac).
58	1930		Weather effects report sent to III MAF.
59	1933		E/1/14, ref to journal entry no. 53. A total of 2 IW were CIA. One 7.2 Chicom carbine and one M1 carbine.
60	1940		3/1, B/1/9, time 1505H, vic coord BT039372. Ref journal No. 46. Add 1 VC for a total of 4 KIA, then subtract the 1 WIA.

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2	0410		Ky Tra wa req arty, HE & illum vic BT309092, BT370097, illum BT315087.
3	0412		Rec'd info that they were getting a mortar and ground attack.
4	0415		Checked w/LT Farless, Tam Ky, to know if he might need any assistance other than arty, and he indicated that there was no need.
	0435		Notified COL Granger, CG, ADC
5	0450		Call frm CPT Richards, Quang Ngai, wants a flareship to Ky Tra. Freq 42.80; call sign Dayton Favor.
6	0453		Checked with LTC Granger on flareship and he gave his OK and also 14 <sup>th</sup> Avn.
7	0458		14 <sup>th</sup> Avn notified to put up flareship at BT3108.
8	0503		Notified CPT Richards of AMCAL will send guns.
9	0505		Ship in the air for Ky Tra fm 14 <sup>th</sup> Avn.
10	0508		CPT Richards does not want flareship due to safety factor frm arty; ship called back.
11	0517		Informed Tam Ky of the pullback of the ship.
12	0530		Informed by 14 <sup>th</sup> Avn that ship returned back.
13	0555		Latest word fr Tam Ky is tha Ky Tra has been overrun.
14	0610		198 <sup>th</sup> notified to be prepared to commit on order a company size reaction force
15	0613		Arty stopped. Tam Ky advised that ships are going in.
16	0615		14 <sup>th</sup> Avn alerted to poss co size CA on order.
17	0622		Tam Ky TOC info rec'd through ARVN line (limited commo) that VC were beginning to withdraw fr Tam Ky—not confirmed by Advisors at this time.
18	0625		1 flareship and 1 gunship frm 14 <sup>th</sup> Avn sent.
19	0631		Place was overrun – RF co there. Radio commo is still in Ky Tra. Thought it was VC co. Pull out now. Gunships chasing.
20	0650		GEN Ryder came in and gave instructions for TOC to notify 198 <sup>th</sup> who notified also 14 <sup>th</sup> Avn Bn, told to lift the company soonest. 198 <sup>th</sup> contact was MAJ Sanders. Gave him info of freq of 42.80 and also call sign Dayton Favor. Advisors are on hill overlooking Ky Tra.
21	0655		Notified LTC Granger that we had been advised to send in company by GEN Ryder. LTC Granger req the 198 <sup>th</sup> to notify us of first lift time, PZ, LZ, etc.
22	0715		From AOC: Following information passed to 198 <sup>th</sup> . Make sure to get ahold of province and district to tell them when they are coming in and where they are coming in.
23	0725		198 <sup>th</sup> , C Co Commander, 1/6, departing 0725 for aerial recon. Lift ships for reaction force should be picked up approx 0750 for CA. Freq will be Bn ALT for CA.
24	0735		SGT West, of ADE, M4T6, bridge is in place and will open as soon as mine sweep complete.
25	0737		3/1, D/1/35, time 0720H, vic BT190543. Receiving sporadic sniper fire. Res: 1 WHA (evac).
26	0737		3/1, B/1/9, time 0700H, Culvert between Tam Ky and LZ Porrazzo appears to be blown.
27	0800		3/1, Bde Avn, time unk. A culvert has been blown on QL-1. The coordinates are not known but the pilot who observed this said it was 1/2 way between Tam Ky and LZ Porrazzo. Time est by pilot for repair is approx 1-2 hrs.
28	0800		2 <sup>nd</sup> ARVN Div, CPT Johnson LMO, time 0410H, vic BT309092. Cas 3 RF KHA. CPT Johnson indicates the possibility that some RF were kidnapped. MTF
29	0815		ADE, culvert blown vicinity of BS753499. No est of time to repair as of now. MTF. Thru S2, 39 <sup>th</sup> Engr Bn.
30	0845		196 <sup>th</sup> , S-2, time 0700H, vic BT261281 and BT282251. One culvert blown at each of the coordinates listed above.
31	0845		196 <sup>th</sup> , time 0730H, vic BT208308. C/7/17, Cav inserted platoon at above time and location to make detailed search of pagoda.
32	0855		39 <sup>th</sup> Engr Bn, time unk, 3 culverts blown at the following coords: BS743517, BS746514, and BS753499. The road is passable at reduced traffic procedure. Est of repair 1000.
33	0900		198 <sup>th</sup> , C/1/6, time 0855H, vic BT280130, 1 <sup>st</sup> lift touched down in LZ BT280130 at 0845H.
34	0906		See Journal entry No. 33. Call fr GEN Ryder, LZ, appears to be too far away fr Ky Tra. Had TOC relay msg to 198 to put something into immediate vicinity of Ky Tra to assist ARVN. Relayed to MAJ Sanders 198 <sup>th</sup> TOC.

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35	0910		198 <sup>th</sup> , S-2, time 0900H, vic N/A, C/1/6, continue S&D SE to Ky Tra. 1 plt sec fr HHC, opcon to 1/46 to be extracted within the hour. 1 plt, B/1/6, will be brought back for security to replace the Co who went out, to E/1/52, to continue blocking where they are.
36	0913		D/1/35, & Rcn/1/35, extracted fr BT186536 and inserted BT083451. LZ cold. Lift complete 0850H.
37	0940		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 0922H, in reference to item no. 31. Results of Eagle Flight. Negative. Extracted fr area.
38	0936		3/1, B/1/9, time 0845H, vic BT196532. UH-1B hit by AK-47 fire. Rec'd one hit, flying at 50 ft, 40 knots, 1 frdly WHA (evac). ACFT is flyable.
39	0900		Telecon fr Maj Mullen, III MAF COC. Requested full names of CO's of 196 <sup>th</sup> and 1/101 <sup>st</sup> .
40	0930		198 <sup>th</sup> , reported frequency override on 1/16 <sup>th</sup> FM net. Requested frequency change.
41	0955		3/4, A/2/35, time 0841H, vic BS725434. Obs & eng'd 2 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA (c). Checking area for the other one.
42	0930		198 <sup>th</sup> S-3, called DTOC and relayed the following information fr Col Waldie (Bde CO) who made an estimate of the situation at KY TRA. Activity at KY TRA was practically nil, there were no PFs injured, and the compound was not overrun. There were approx 3-4 VC who entered a hamlet near the PF compound. However little activity was conducted there. Would like to cancel the lift of B/1/52(-) into the area. Information was passed to the G3 and C/S who gave his approval.
43	1000		198, Maj Sanders requested AO extension for 1/6 Inf from 090730H to 101800H Dec 67. AO bounded by following coord: BT2415, SE to BT3413, S to BT3404, W to BT2704, NW to BT2412, N to BT2415.
44	1020		Ref Journal entry #42, Gen Ryder on follow-up investigation revealed that one (1) RF was WHA (minor), 5 civilians injured (minor).
45	1050		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 0855H, vic BT020313. Found a copper wire stretched between two trees, not connected to any type of booby trap. Also found two tunnels 6 ft long and some spider holes. They were not camouflaged. Appeared to be recently used.
46	1106		3/4, B/2/35, time 0955H, vic BS775380. Rec'd fire from unk size force. Res: 1 US WHA (evac). Sweeping area now.
47	1055		Sgt West, S-3 39 <sup>th</sup> Eng, time 2400-0600, vic BS723573, BS717593. Four cuts two ft wide & 6 ft deep, BS723573. Five cuts 3 ft wide & 4 ft deep, BS717593. No ETR at this time. By-pass must be repaired before Eng can get to cuts. When Eng get to area it should take 2 hrs for repair.
48	1100		39 Engr., Sgt Hick 39 <sup>th</sup> Engr will notify when road is passable. Probably not today.
49	1115		3/1, B/1/35, time 1035H, vic BT073477. Completed CA. LZ Cold.
50	1120		39 <sup>th</sup> , B Co. Time 0835H, vic BT246207. Marine dozer ran over a 105 or a 155 rd. Blew off track and separated dozer blade from equipment. Operator rec'd minor injury wounds in forehead and hands. Swept area. Operator medivaced.
51	1122		3/1, B/1/35, time 1025H, vic BT073482. Spotted 5 indiv w/wpons & pack believed to be NVA. Eng'd with neg assessment. Arty called. Inserting B/1/9. MTF
52	1130		CAG, CAP K-5, time 1050H, vic BT407115. Patrol picked up 17 yr old male in hamlet Tien Xuan, BT407115. VC suspect. Hamlet chief reported 3 VC in area today.
53		1130	Daily maneuver report report to III MAF.
54	1145		Msg fr BG Ryder to G3 – cancel meeting set up for 1300, change to 1530H. Gen Ryder wil be back in area at that time.
55	1155		198, B/1/6 at 1139H vic BT447017 in contact with unk size enemy force. Res: 1 US KHA. MTF
56	1158		3/1, B/1/9 at 1025H vic BT079479, ref journal entry #51, eng'd approx 75 NVA wearing green uniforms and packs w/wpons. Res: 21 NVA KIA(c), 40 NVA KIA(p). B/1/35 is 400M from contact area. A/1/35 will conduct a combat assault vic BT060490 approx 1230H.
57	1210		3/1, B/1/9 at 1145H vic BT079478, OH-13 received moderate small arms fire, altitude of 20 ft, speed 50 knots. Received 3 hits. Aircraft down at LZ Porrazo, acft not flyable.
58	1220		198, C/1/52 at 1130H vic BS641975 eng'd 1 sniper at long range. Plt turned and eng'd. Res: CIA 1 M2 carbine, web gear, 2 Chicom HG, documents and some ammo.
59	1235		3/1, C/5/7, combat assault complete at 1215H, vic BT123321, cold LZ.
60		1245	Ref Journal Item #56. Info sent to III MAF (LTC Black), G3 Watch Officer.
61	1200		DELAYED ENTRY – 2 <sup>nd</sup> ARVN LMO (Cpt Johnson) informs us of AO for period 090600H to 142400H, BS4882, BS4888, BS4388, BS4382. Control of Tien Phouc, using unit LAZY BOY.

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62	1222		198, A/1/52 at 1220H vic BS665985, apparently are in contact, have made some kills, they think. 1 KIA(c), following blood trails, CIA 1 Auto Rifle, 1 M1 rifle, 1 carbine, 2 VC WIA went into tunnel, MTF. Reported to Maj Beasley, he suggested call C/S at 1300H.
63	1223		198, C/1/6 at 1220 H vic BT3010 has been in sporadic contact, airstrike going in based on intel report from PF who said there were 200 VC in area.
64	1300		DELAYED ENTRY – AO extension request from 3/1, from BT020448 N to BT020500 E to BT060500 N to BT060505 E along river to BT076497. Msg relayed to 1MARDIV 090340H. AO requested for period 091200-112400 Dec 67. At 1315H rec approval from 1MARDIV, passed to 3/1.
65	1330		3/4, Road from DUC PHO to QUANG NGAI is open to traffic 5 ton and below, in one hour open to all traffic.
66	1350		3/4, C/2/35 engaged 1 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
67	1500		39 <sup>th</sup> Engr, C/39 Engr, time 0830H, vic BS723543. EM on mine sweep team tripped homemade AP mine. Res: 1 WHA (evac).
68	1525		198, A/1/52 at 1445H vic BS737954, (ref to journal item #62) found 2 VC in cave. Res: 2 VC KIA(c). Eng'd 1 VC, 1 VC KIA(c). Total of 3 KIA(c).
69	1515		196, A/3/21 at 1010H vic BT110270, eng'd small group of VC. Res: 2 VC KIA(c), 1 VC CIA.
70	1515		196, A/4/31 at 1030H vic AT977276 eng'd 2 VC in tunnel. Res: 2 VC KIA(c), CIA 1 HG, misc clothing.
71	1604		196, A/1/1 at 1200H vic BS272364 obsd 4 individuals running North, pursued and detained 10-15 males, conducted house to house search, detained 2 more mil age males. Also evac 7 civil defendants.
72	1605		196, C/7/17 at 1437H vic BT122268, rec'd 1 rd sniper fire from spider hole, did not return fire because of mission.
73	1606		196, C/2/1 at 1005H vic BT106217 rec'd 5 rds SA fire, swept area, found hootch w/female and child. Evac them to another hootch and burned hootch.
74	1607		196, A/1/1 at 1243H vic BT278365, C/7/17 eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC WIA/CIA (evac) by A/1/1.
75	1608		196, C/2/1 at 0915H vic BT11424 rec'd 3 rds sniper fire, returned fire, swept area, neg results.
76	1609		196, B/3/21 at 1200H vic BT047261 detained 2 individuals evading patrol, evac to rear.
77	1610		196, C/7/17 at 1500H vic BT119278 obs & eng'd 2 VC on trail. Res: VC KIA(c).
78	1530		DELAYED ENTRY – 196 will fly FIREFLY mission from 2330-0130 tonight. Intend to shoot any boats found on inland waterway from vic BT3430 to BT286373. Be working in AO NEPTUNE. Approved by QUANG TIN.
79	1715		C/1/6 extracted back fr Ky Tra at 1715H.
80	1700		3/4, C/1/14, time 1517H, eng'd 3 VC. Res: 2 VC KIA(c).
81	1700		3/4, D/2/35, time 1145H, vic BS711559. Sweeping area & recon by fire. Res: 1 KIA. Late Entry.
82	1700		3/1, time 1025H, continues, vic BT079479. Ref to journal entry #56. Total NVA body count now stands at 94.
83	1730		196 <sup>th</sup> , B/3/21, time 1535H, vic BT049262. Found 1 tunnel entrance, started to enter and tripped a booby trap consisting of a steel arrow with spring like device trip wire. Neg cas. Entered tunnel which led to a large room containing either 250 or 500 lb bomb. Also found trunk of sewing equipment. EOD team is going out on the 10 <sup>th</sup> .
84	1731		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/1/1, time 1615H, vic BT260207. Obs 5 VC trying to swim across the river. Eng'd with SA. Res: 2 NVA KIA(c), wearing a dark gray uniform and silver buckle. (No star) CIA 1x12 yr old male.
85	1735		3/4, C/1/14, time 1545H, vic BS928228. Obs 1 VC evading, Eng'd the VC. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
86	1845		3/4, C/2/35, time 1823H, vic BS793475. One VC walked into ambush. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
87	1845		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/1/17, time 1802H, vic BT044308. Obs 1 VN male hiding in spider hole. Eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
88	1846		196 <sup>th</sup> , D/4/31, vic BT965243. Evacuated 9500 lbs of rice & 61 refugees.
89	1900		196, ref FRAGO 15 to OPORD 32-67, delete para 2b(4).
90	1930		DELAYED ENTRY – 196 LRRP MISSIE extracted 091550H Dec 67.
91		1930	3/4, and 198 <sup>th</sup> informed that Avn Bn CO would contact them ref FIREFLY missions along Hwy 1 tonight.
92	20301		Maj Smith, G3 Plans, called fr Saigon and passed the following info: The Rear Detachment of the 11 <sup>th</sup> Bde will arrive at 0945H on 10 Dec. He cannot get an airplane out till Monday. Airplane will not go to Duc Pho. They will need transportation from Chu Lai to Duc Pho. There are 44 personnel. He will try to get an airplane out tomorrow (10 Dec). Plans to call again in the morning.

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1	0001		JOURNAL OPENED
2	0025		MAJ Sanders called fr 198 – 2 choppers over 1/6 AO (Firefly?) that have not contacted 1/6. Complaint was that 198 was directed to coordinate and did so 2/S3 of 14 <sup>th</sup> Avn. New contact w/choppers. Action: passed to 14 <sup>th</sup> .
3	0050		CAC Shadow K-5 at 2315H vic 405115, ptl 52 joined reaction force to assist ptl 51 and apprehend 2 VC suspects. They gave coords of VC pos 399121 & 398116. Checked area and found CQ and 2 VC KIA. Returned to CP w/bodies, suspects and equip. Trying to get arty for suspected VC position, res 2 VC KIA(c), 2 VC KIA(p), 2 IW, 2 suspects.
4	0050		CAC Shadow K-5 at 0950H vic 406116, ptl 51 heard crying in valley and went to check. They set up around house where crying was coming from. 1 VC ran out of house and eng'd, AW fire fm 1 VC inside house opened up and unit returned fire, believed to have killed other VC. Sent RF to assist ptl 51. Called Medevac for 1 USMC WHA, completed 2300H.
5	0600		Upon checking coordinates for 3/4 CA, disc 3/4 had AO extension to the North near the coast. 3/4 says extension good to 112400 Dec.
6	0900		196 <sup>th</sup> , FAC time 0830 vic coord AT 818270 to AT 814258, 15 sampans along river between the two above coords, notified G3 who recommends the use of napalm, and [CBU?] on the sampans.
7	0905		3/1, A/1/35, time 0727, vic coord BT063484, obs 1 ind – engaged, res 1 NVA KIA(c).
8	0906		3/1, A/1/35, time 0742, vic coord BT063483, found 1 KIA in hole, res 1 NVA KIA(c).
9	0920		196, request permission to send gunships and ARA to recon by fire camouflaged sampans on river at coords AT825240 and AT818270. Told them to take whatever action they thought necessary.
10	1000		3/4, D/2/35, at 0912H vic BS759585 obs & eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
11	1010		196, C/1/1 at 1000H vic BT2221 in light contact in their AO, approx 20 enemy. Sending Cav ships in to help. Also ARA scheduled to hit sampans on river 1030H.
12	1050		196, D/3/21, at 0955H vic BT064296 obs & eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
13	1045		3/1, A/1/7, completed CA at 1013H, two LZs. Co(-) BT092456, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Plt BT099499. Both LZs cold.
14	1050		196, C/1/1 at 0920H, vic BT220218 had APC hit 250lb bomb. Res: 1 US KHA, 4 US WHA (evac).
15	1130		196, D/3/21, at 1110H vic BT075296, obs 6 VC, fired mortar into blocking position, eng'd with SA. Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
16		1130	III MAF, Daily Maneuver Battalion Report
17	1145		3/4, C/2/35 at 1120H vic BS798514, eng'd 1 VC hiding in bunker. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
18	1153		196, C/7/17 at 0905H vic BT080310, acft rec'd one round SA fire, no hit, acft continued mission.
19	1154		196, D/3/21 at 1100H vic BT066297, while distributing Chieu Hoi leaflets in village, had 16 people request to be returned to a GVN controlled area. Will evacuate.
20	0730		DELAYED ENTRY –3/4 , D/2/35 completed combat assault vic BS764575 and BS757588, completed at 0659H, both LZs cold.
21	1205		3/1, A/1/35 at 1045H vic BT063483 found 1 NVA lying on ground playing dead. Res: 1 NVA CIA.
22	1205		3/1, at 1046H, vic BT067484 en KIA(c) was found by gunship.
23	1205		3/1, at 1100H vic BT066483, 5 NVA KIA(c) were found by gunship. Also found 1 M1 carbine.
24	1205		3/1 at 1110H vic BT063484, 3 en KIA(c) were found by gunship.
25	1206		3/1, Bde Scouts at 0711H vic BT074484 found 2 en bodies. Res: 2 NVA KIA(c).
26	1234		3/1, A/1/35 at 1150H vic BT063483, 3 NVA KIA(c) were found by a gunship. Also found 1 AK47.
27	1250		CAP K-5, at 092315H vic BT407116, patrol joined reaction force, apprehended 2 VCS who gave patrol position of VC at BT399129 and BT398116. Patrol checked immediate area and found 2 VC KIA, 2 VC apprehended. Following equipment CIA: 1 Chicom SMG, 1 Chicom rifle, 1 M16, 4 Chicom HG.
28	1303		3/4, D/2/35 at 0711H vic BS758577, eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
29	1304		3/4, 174 <sup>th</sup> Avn, at 0725H, vic BS763579, eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
30	1305		3/4, D/2/35 at 0956H, vic BS761585, found 1 home-made pistol. Res: 1 pistol CIA.
31	1306		3/4, C/2/35 at 1236H vic BS798514, found 1 MAS-36 rifle. Res 1 IW CIA.
32	1325		198 S3 requested an AO extension vic BS690948 to BS6992, E to the sea. Purpose: Intelligence information CIA from VC KIA on 9 Dec 67 indicated enemy NCO school was in progress for 5 days, vic BS7093. Period of AO request from 110500 to 112400 Dec 67. MTF

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33	1455		3/1, C/5/7 at 1445H, vic BT113317 while on patrol a dog handler stepped on a mine. Res: 1 US WHA (evac), 1 Scout Dog KIA.
34	1537		3/1, Request AO extension from BT086505 SW along river to BT0650, W to BT0250, SW to AT916419, SW to AT798295. Request area for recon and free fire zone for artillery. Want area from present time until 151800H Dec 67.
35	1613		196, A/1/1 at 1420H vic BT307346, found fortified position w/barbed wire, 20-30 spider holes, 17 bunkers w/punji stakes around them. All destroyed by A/1/1.
36	1614		196, D/3/21, at 1430H, vic BT061295, obs & eng'd 1 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
37	1615		196, A/1/1 at 1445H, vic BT310343, found 2 hand-drawn maps w/political boundaries, no military symbols. Will evacuate.
38	1620		2 ROK called and approved AO extension for 198 from BS690945 S to BS6992, E to coast. Approved for period 110500H – 112400H Dec 67.
39	1610		ADE relayed from III MAF, Route 1B will be closed from 110700H – 111700H Dec 67. Traffic will have to use Rte #1 and CHM LY bridge. This bridge is class 20 w/11 ft clearance.
40	1628		198, B/1/6, receiving sniper fire at this time, firing arty. Unit location is BT447017, firing arty at BT450018. MTF
41	1700		196, D/3/21, at 1640H, vic BT061292, observed 1 VC – challenged him and he fled – engaged. Res: 1 KIA(c).
42	1703		3/1, A/1/35 at 1510H, vic BT076468, found 1 M1 rifle, SN475232. Res: 1 IW CIA.
43	1705		3/1, B/1/35 at 1615H vic BT073477 were led by a PW to a rice cache – found 6,500 lbs of rice. Will evacuate.
44	1706		3/1, B/1/9, at 1545H, vic BT055273 engaged 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
45	1708		3/1, B/1/9 AT 1545h, VIC bt055273 engaged 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
46	1710		3/1, A/1/35, at 1455H vic BT060484, engaged 3 VC coming through a hedgerow. Res: 2 VC Kia(c), 1 VC CIA.
47	1712		3/1, C/5/7 at 1444H, vic BT119471, engaged 1 individual trying to evade. Res: 1 VC KIA.
48	1715		3/1, C/2/20 at 1150H, vic BT063438, found 3 NVA KIA and 1 AK 47.
49	1717		DELAYED REPORT – 198, 14 Avn Bn engaged 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA(c). Time 081545H, vic BT398038.
50	1720		DELAYED REPORT – 198, 14 Avn Bn, engaged 2 VC. Res: 2 VC KIA(c). Time 090914H, vic BT312098.
51	1725		196, D/4/31 at 0900 – 1645 vic AT963245, found 14,700 lbs rice and 63 refugees.33 refugees have been evacuated.
52	1726		3/1, C/2/20 at 1220H vic BT063438 found 1 NVA KIA.
53	1752		196, will have 3-4 APCs moving up Hwy #1 tonight to check on road and bridge security.
54	1811		198, E/1/46 at 1725H vic BT451039 detained 1 male age 22-25 without ID card. Evacuated to Ly Tin.
55	1650		DELAYED REPORT – 5 <sup>th</sup> ARVN Regt for the period 092000 – 10200H Dec 67: 1 VC KIA (c), 3 VCS, 1000 meters of ground cleared, 700 meters of trench destroyed, 250 meters of tunnel destroyed, 2x105mm mines destroyed, 1 frdly KHA, 5 WHA (1 US).
56	1839		3/4, C/2/35 at 1800H vic BS785497, squad eng'd 4 VC in boat. Res: 4 VC KIA(c), 1 HG CIA.
57	1915		196, D/3/21 at 1857H, vic BT059297 observed 1 VC on trail. VC fled. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
58	1945		Weather effects report sent to III MAF.
59	1950		196, Bde Avn at 0815H, vic AT809281, eng'd sampan, res 1 VC KIA(c).
60	2005		Ref item #57. Change 1 VC KIA to VC CIA.
61	2010		Ref item #15. Add 1 VC KIA(c) for total of 3.
62	2020		3/1, C/2/20 ARA at 1115H vic AT8124 eng'd sampan. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
63	2030		Ref item #33. The dog handler died of wounds. Change 1 WHA(evac) to read 1 KHA.
64	2100		100815Z – 1 <sup>st</sup> Marine Div will not approve out AO request due to LRRPs in the extension. Also plan to place in more LRRPs. Fr LTC Councilman, 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar Div.
65	2125		196, C/1/1, at 091615H, vic BT260207 – ref item #84 in 9 Dec journal. NVA CIA died of wounds. Change to read 3 NVA KIA(c).

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1	0001		OPENED JOURNAL
2	0715		196 <sup>th</sup> , RCN 3/2/1, time 0703H, vic BT075315. Saw 1 man black PJ moving East at 500 M. Believe to be carrying a pack. Reported to the 7/17 Cav who is checking area. Neg. res.
3	0830		3/4, A/2/35, time 0750, vic BS758422. Obs 2 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA. Checking area for other VC.
4	0840		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/1/1, time 0825H, vic BT243209. 1 US WHA fr mine. Medivac.
5	0718		196 <sup>th</sup> , D 36/2/1, time 0708, vic BT08313. Saw two VN trying to evade. Was told to halt, continued running. Fired over their heads and is pursuing at the present. Called in mortar & rockets. Neg res.
6	0840		3/4, A/1/14, time 0832, A/1/14, completed move back to Bronco at 0832.
7	0850		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 0745H, vic BT075319. At BT075319, bridge completely destroyed. BT078324 & BT179315 extensive damage.
8	0840		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/1/1, time 0825H, vic BT243209. In reference to journal item #4, a tank was hit. The mine was 105mm and a 155 rd. The man had internal injuries and 2 roadwheels were blown off the track.
9	0915		196, C/7/17, time 0915H, vic AT928262. Obs 1 male w/khaki uniform, poncho, and webbelt. Evading, hiding under poncho. Eng'd w/miniguns. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
10	0920		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/1, time 0915H, vic BT236424. Found a mine 4" dia. 12" long wire led from mine to battery. Dest in place.
11	1000		Col Balmer called at 0745H, and asked us to get in touch with Tam Ky and see if they needed any assistance regarding the Ky Tra incident. Reply by Capt Corley at Tam Ky was that they appreciated the offer but did not need the assistance. G3 advised at 1000H.
11	0956		[Duplicate number 11] 198 <sup>th</sup> , E/1/46, time 0815H, vic BT445054. While on cordon and search operation. Received sporadic small arms fire from outside of village. Returned fire. Upon entering village, found 1 small child with wound in cheek, 1 VN female shot in chest. Dustoff called 0835H. Female died, child evac by dustoff. Unit states they did not fire into village, but VC did.
12	1015		3/4, C(-)/1/14, 1 <sup>st</sup> lift TD 0915H, LZ BS765262, drew small arms fire. 2/C14 TD 0932 H, same LZ. LZ cold. 3/C/14, TD 0952H, same LZ. Again received small arms fire. Neg cas.
13	1025		From 3/1, the CA of C/5/7, 1 <sup>st</sup> lift 0914H, TD 0923H, 2 <sup>nd</sup> lift 0958H, coord BT125410 and the LZ is cold.
14	1032		1000H, DTOC rec'd call from Major Smith (Saigon), the Advance Party of 46 men from the 11 <sup>th</sup> Bde will be arriving at Chu Lai approx 1900H. Will need quarters for 20 officers and 24 EM's. Will also need transportation to Duc Pho on 12 Dec 67.
15	1040		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 1020H, vic BT066315. Received several rds SA. Expended rockets into hedgerow. MTF
16	1125		9 <sup>th</sup> Engr Bn, time 0945H, vic BT237230. Found and destroyed 1 10lb TNT, and cement block with bamboo pressure electrical firing device. Firing device intact.
17	1135		Msg from NILO, Chu Lai, DTG 101046Z, passed to 198 for info and necessary action.
18	1158		3/1, Bde Scouts at 1015H, vic BT118405, obsd 5 mil age males running down trail, handed 5 objects to 5 VN females, then they all went in different directions. Eng'd 1 male. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
19	1159		3/1, Bde Scouts at 1040H, vic BT121406. Eng'd 1 individual in dark green uniform with pistol belt, hiding under rocks. Res: 1 NVA KIA(c).
20	1200		3/1, B/1/9, at 1155H, vic AT971345, obsd & eng'd 3 mil age males. Res: 3 VC KIA.
21	1220		196, A/4/31 at 1200H vic AT986271, found 1 punji pit 4x4x1 1/2, contained 4 stakes, was camouflaged. Destroyed.
22	1222		196, A/4/31 at 1205H, vic AT986268, found 1 VC gas mask and 2 60mm mortar boxes in 2 hootches. Everything destroyed.
23	1225		196, LRRP/3/21 at 1205H, obsd 2 VC in woodline, 1 was holding arm. At 1206 obsd 6 more VC in same area hiding from FAC. Called arty. MTF
24	1300		196 <sup>th</sup> , D/3/21, time 1245H, vic BT059286. Found small amount of medical supplies and 2 tons of rice. Will evac.
25	1307		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/3/21, ref C/A, first lift TD 1304H, LZ cold. LZ vic BT052202. 2 <sup>nd</sup> lift TD 1314H, LZ cold. Lift completed 1320H.
26	1345		198 <sup>th</sup> , C&C 1/6, time 1335, vic BS548893. Obs 5 VN on ground. C&C went to look at VN, engaged, gunships called on station at 1340H. Still in progress.
28	1420		[Note: #27 missing] 196, A/3/21 at 1245H, vic BT117268, obsd 1 VC 200 meters NE, engaged w/SA, checked area, neg res.
29	1422		196, B/4/31, at 1420H, vic AT955232, found 4,000 lbs rice. Will be evac. 1510H – add additional 1,000 lbs, total 5,000 lbs.

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30	1430		198, E/1/6 at 1405H vic BS546897, spotted 5 VC, engaged. Res: 1 VC WIA, recovered webgear, 1 MG, and 1 Thompson Submachinegun. 1 VC CIA.
31	1450		196, C/7/17 at 1445H vic BT077317, obs 1 VC evading, engaged. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
32	1455		196, A/3/21 at 1450H, vic BT103261, obs an unkown number of VC, engaged with SA. Res: 1 WIA and 1 AK47. Still in contact.
33	1500		198, E/1/6 at 1440H, vic BS545894, had 3 HG thrown at them. Returned fire. Res: 1 Car Cap.
34	1518		196, C/7/17 at 1510H, vic BT075319, obsd & eng'd 1 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
35	1535		196, A/3/21, at 1450H, vic BT103261 (ref journal entry #32 above), change WIA to 1 VC KIA(c). SN of AK47 is 9475157.
36	1600		3/1, Bde Scouts at 1435H, vic BT048422, sighted 6 VC moving along trail carrying rice l packs. Eng'd. They evaded into hedgerow moving south. Res: 2 VC KIA(c).
37	1400		3/1, Bde Scouts at 1400H, vic AT995365, obs 4 military age males in green uniforms. Engaged. Res: 4 VC KIA (c).
38	1345		3/1, B/1/9 at 1345H vic AT965318 engaged 2 individuals wearing black PJs. Res: 1 WIA and 1 VC KIA(c).
39	1607		3/1, B/5/7 at 1428H vic AT 963296 found a container 16x12 feet holding 7 to 8 tons of processed rice. Will be evacuated.
40	1625		Ref item 32 & 35. Add 1 VC KIA(c) and 3 detainees. Total now 2 VC KIA (c), 1 AK47 and 3 detainees.
41	1625		196, B/3/21 at 1525H vic BT089279 reported that an aircraft received SA fire at 300 meters. No hits. Checking area.
42	1630		196, 171 Avn at 1550H vic BT163237 reported that an aircraft received 50 cal AW fire. No hits. Checking area.
43	1705		198 <sup>th</sup> , at 1705H, vic BS545898. Follow up E/1/6. Contact broken, unit still searching area.
44	1734		198, A/1/52 at 1715H vic BS694938, obsd 1 VC fleeing, ordered to halt, did not, was eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
45	1805		198 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/52 at 1735H, vic BS694928. A force of unknown size fired on A Co. Fire was returned with neg res.
46	1823		Demolish 40, 50 <sup>th</sup> ARVN Regt, time 1615H. This is the 5 <sup>th</sup> , ARVN Regt report. 150,000 square meters of ground cleared, 550 meters of trench destroyed, 170 meters of tunnel destroyed, 70 fox holes destroyed, 30 bomb shelters destroyed, 7 bunkers destroyed, 6 booby traps destroyed. 1 tank hit a mine. Neg damage report at this time and one US personnel hurt.
47		1945	Weather Effects Report sent to III MAF.
48	2004		3/4, A/2/35 at 1025H, vic BS759397 engaged 1 VC, res 1 VC KIA(c).
49	2017		3/1, D/2/12, at 1145H, vic AT986374, captured girl with AK47. Res: 1 det, 1 IW.
50	2015		3/1, 5/7, at 1505H at vic BT104386, C&C helo spotted 1 VC evading. Engaged. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
51	2015		3/4, C/2/35, at 1515H at vic BS785501, 2 US soldiers set off a BT made w/155mm rd. Res: 2 WHA (evac).
52	2015		CAG, K-4, at 1515H vic BT436108, patrol departed fr CAP K-4 and questioned people around area. Picked up two confirmed VC who were taken to Ty Lin District HQ.
53	2015		3/4, C/2/35, at 1628H vic BS783498 engaged 3 VC. Res 3 VC KIA(c).
54	2020		LTC Councilman called ref msg fr CG, AMCAL DIV to 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar Div COC, DTG 050605Z Dec 67. He said AMCAL DIV could retain real estate listed in para 2, but 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar Div req the listed in para 1 be returned to them. They also stated we could keep the area bordered.
55	2040		3/4, A/2/35, at 1915H vic B S763409, 2 VC walked into ambush. Res: 2 VC KIA(c).
56	2156		196, D/2/1, at 2138H, vic BT128308, rec'd AW fire. Presently calling in arty.
57	2200		3/1 req an AO extension for interdiction fire. The area is of interest because of intel reports indicating that areas within this request would provide good targets for arty. Req was for area fr BT020475 SW along the base of the high ground to AT 960450 fr there NW along the stream to AT948458 then SW to AT795300. Req was denied.
58	2230		Requested AO extension fr DTG 130600 – 191700 Dec 67. The area will include BT2813 to BT2808 to BT2913 to BT3508. The extension will be used for CA of E/1/46 and subsequent opns. AO extension was approved.
59	2340		196th, THAIG BINN Dist reports PFs at village vic BT254318 have been pushed out of village. This report is unconfirmed, however 196 has alerted a reaction force for possible commitment if report is confirmed.

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1	0001		JOURNAL OPENED
2	0015		DELAYED – At 2345H, CPT Macado says he has an ARVN reaction force of 40-65 men ready and does not think he will need the 196 <sup>th</sup> 's assistance. Report of attack still not confirmed.
3	0015		196 <sup>th</sup> reports that US Advisor, 2/5 ARVN says he has a PF element at BT2530 moving to assist the PFs at BT254318. The 196 <sup>th</sup> asked for 2 gunships and a flareship to be sent up to their CP in prep for further action. They also said that 1/1 Cav has 6 tracks ready to move into the action. Est size of VC force is one reinforced company.
4	0020		196 <sup>th</sup> reports that this est VC reinforced company in village. Believed escape route will be on trail leading to W. Est 2 plts of PF in village but they are hiding. About 10 PF ran out of village. Advisor feels this is a propaganda movement, not a full scale attack. There might be a few assassinations in village.
5	0025		14 <sup>th</sup> Avn reports 2 gunships and flareships have departed 161 <sup>st</sup> Avn for 196 <sup>th</sup> CP to standby.
6	0040		Dist Advisor reported 45-60 PF have withdrawn from village to Hwy #1. VC are moving out of village to the E and Advisor knows of no physical damage – just a propaganda victory. Hardrock 40 is firing arty to block enemy escape to E. They are planning to use gunships to work the area over but not going to fire into the village because of the people.
7	0055		Req to 196 <sup>th</sup> fr Tam Ky for arty. A/3/18 fired 26 rds NE into BT2632. Later Tam Ky req more but the grid could not be cleared.
8	0130		Reported that PFs are moving back into the village. Offered arty support & rec'd a negative.
9	0130		196 <sup>th</sup> released gunships and flareship because the ARVN don't know exactly where the PF forces are and the 196 <sup>th</sup> doesn't want to take any chances and engage them by mistake.
10	0135		196 <sup>th</sup> reports that PFs have assembled 4 plts at BT252304 and then moved to BT2430. Forces then will sweep S to BT2731 to try and cut off VC. Blocking arty being fired by ARVN to E and NE. Prelim reports show 1 PF KIA (c), 10 VC KIA (c).
11	0245		CAG HQ, L-5 at 0940H, vic BS712973 checked ID of 3 males and found 1 male had outdated ID card, 1 male had no ID card, other male was okay. Male w/outdated ID – TIUI KIA (27 yrs) and male w/no ID – NGI THIUI (40 yrs old). Let one go, detained the other.
12	0245		CAG HQ I-1 at 2200H, vic BS324185, I-1 was in amb loc when they saw 4 VC coming out of river going E at approx 150m fr ambush. They opened fire w/approx 300 rds. Fire was rec'd fr 3 boats on river and across river fr W. Enemy returned approx 300 rds of SA fire and 2 HGs. 150 rds of M-60 was fired and fire was coming fr W of river (no boats on river). Size of VC force: 30. Searched out area and sunk two boats on river. 3 <sup>rd</sup> boat turned up river. Also saw tracks coming out of river. Will thoroughly search the area at first light.
13	0245		198 <sup>th</sup> , D/1/6, actually ROK arty 800m N of river. MPs Resource Control checkpoint estab N of brigade area.
14	0730		196 <sup>th</sup> , LRRP 3/2/1, time 0650H, vic BT078305. LRRP rec'd 10 rds of small arms fire from SW at 200. Returned fire and moved to new loc.
15	0733		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/1/1, time 0645H, vic BT252224. ARVN had 3 short rounds land in their vic resulting in 4 ARVNs KIA & 7 wounded. They are checking to see who fired it and cause.
16	0735		3/1, from BS810270 S BS810225 SE to BS813220 E to BS868220 SE to BS882217 E to BS924217 N & NE along coast to BS930270 W to BS810270. Request follow AO for aerial recon by 1/9 Cav. 120600 to 131800.
17	0800		196 <sup>th</sup> A/4/31, time 0705H, vic AT983273. Ambush sprung on 1 VC 50m away. Searching area to see if any cas.
18	0910		198 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/52, time 0845H, vic BS695931. Rec'd sniper fire from hedgerow. 1 male 30-35, disregarded halts and running away. Eng'd by M16 and M60. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
19	0940		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/1/1, at 0928H, vic BT239211, an APC hit a mine. Res: No cas, no damage.
20	1040		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/1/1, time 0955H, vic BT239211, Found 155 rd, set up as booby trap. Was destroyed.
21	1010		NSAD Chu Lai, Rosemary Point, time unk, vic BT525145. Rec'd a call that a helicopter was firing rockets into the island at the above coordinate. Evidently this was just to check his ordnance. The Navy requested that someone notify them when such a check was going to be made for the following reasons. First, it scares the hell out of the Navy and secondly villagers go out to this island to gather clay for pottery during the day and there is a chance that some of these people might get injured. Avn is checking to see who is doing this firing. The Navy can be contacted by radio by calling HOMEPLATE on the same frequency as the swift boats. The telephone number is Shellback 110 or 126.
22	1045		198 <sup>th</sup> , C/1/46, time 1005H, vic BT451032. Contacted an est VC sqd. Gunships on station. Contact continues. MTF.
23	1130		3/4, Recn/2/35, time 0950H, vic BS772408. Obs and eng'd 1 VC. Res 1 VC KIA(c). A VN woman warned the VC before friendly engaged. (Det)
24	1131		3/4, D/2/35, time 1053H, vic BS770575. Obs and eng'd 1 VC evading. Res 1 VC KIA(c).

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25	1131		3/4, C/2/35, time 1010H, vic BS767517. 1 MAS 36 found in a bunker. SR 34308.
26	1135		196, C/3/21 at 1115H, vic BT080202 obs'd 2 indiv taking evasive action. Eng'd with SA, M79. Searched area and found 1 MAT49 SR B2299, 1 web belt, 1 ammo pouch and 2 magazines. Search continues.
27	1145		3/4, D/2/35 at 1120H vic BS764582, obs'd 1 VC in a hole. Ind refused to come out. Eng'd with HG. Res: 1 VC KIA (c), 1 M26 HG CIA.
28	1146		3/4, D/2/35 at 1110H, vic BS769578, obs'd 5 VC trying to evade. Eng'd. Res: 5 VC KIA(c), 1 M26 HG and blasting caps.
29	1150		196, A/4/31, at 1135H vic AT993277 found tunnel complex. Will search and destroy.
30	1200		3/4, C/2/35 at 1150H, vic BS766517 located 1 M1 carbine with magazine, SR Nbr 1881451 and 1 M26 HG in hedgerow.
31	1210		198, E/1/6, at 1211H, vic BS549898, EM hit in neck by shrapnel from an M79 that the unit was trying to explode. Res: 1 NBW (evac).
32	1220		3/4, A/2/35 at 111915H vic BS763409 eng'd 2 VC evading (ambush patrol). Res: 2 VC KIA(c).
33	1220		3/4, D/2/35 at 1158H vic BS758759 eng'd one enemy. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
34	1244		3/4, Bde Avn at 0900H, vic BS776575 obs'd 1 VC with web gear. Eng'd. Res 1 VC KIA(c).
35	1245		3/4, Bde Avn at 1130H vic BS770579 obs'd 1 VC evading ground troops. Eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA.
36	1140		CLDC, MAG 13 at 0800 to 1100H reported some shops were closed in An Tan. Child said something about VC. Became quiet when his mother came in. Unusual number of new barbers plus 30 to 40 military age males downtown.
37	1250		3/4, C/1/14 at 1230H vic B S764255 obs'd 2 NVA dressed in green uniforms with packs. Engaged. Res: 2 NVA KIA (c).
38	1258		3/1, B/1/35 at 1150H vic BT078488 rec'd sniper fire. Res: 1 WHA (evac).
39	1310		196, 71 <sup>st</sup> Avn at 1115H, vic BT223207, in CA with C/2/1. Gunships rec'd SA fire and rec'd 3 hits, returned fire. Res: 1 VC KIA (c). Also at BT225223 eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c) and two structures destroyed.
40	1330		196 <sup>th</sup> , B/3/21, time 1240H, vic BT061265. Found a bunker with 600 lbs rice, 50 lbs barley, 50 lbs corn, 30 lbs tea. All will be turned over to PFs at Nui Lec Son.
41	1340		3/1 at 1200H vic Nui Loc Son. 6 people turned themselves in as Chieu Hoi. 1 NVA Senior Sergeant Rear Service, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Div, 1 VC medic female, 3 VC guerillas, 2 of which brought weapons in with them, 1 unidentified, probably an IC.
42	1350		3/4, C/2/35 at 1320H vic BS766517 captured 1 MAS36.
43	1410		196, C/3/21, at 1230H vic BT080208 obs'd 1 individual running across a rice paddy. Eng'd. Checked area and found 1 female wounded in the foot. She will be evac for interrogation & classification.
44	1423		3/4, C/2/35 at 1353H vic BS765501 obs'd 1 VC jump out of a boat and run. Eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
45	1430		196, B/4/31 at 1430H vic AT991279 found 7,000 lbs rice and picked up 65 refugeesw. All will be evac to Tam Ky.
46	1505		196, C/3/21 at 1310H, vic BT088294 with the aid of a PW & IC picked up on 9 Dec located at US shotgun, 1 AK47 SN9476271, 2 AK47 magazines, 200 rds 7.62 MM ammo and 2 M26 HG.
47	1505		3/4, C/2/35 at 1353H vic BS765501 eng'ed 1 enemy evading. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
48	1600		5 <sup>th</sup> ARVN Regt LNO: Daily Report for opns as follows: 4 VC KIA(c), 2 VC POW, 165,000 square meters land cleared, 600m trench destroyed, 180m of commo destroyed, 14 bunkers destroyed, 40 bomb shelters destroyed, 140 foxholes destroyed, 2x60mm mortar rds destroyed, 1xM16 mine destroyed, 2 HG destroyed, 2x105mm rds destroyed, 2 rifles CIA, 4 KHA, 9 WHA.
49	1630		196, Tans Binh ARVN S2 at 0500 vic BT145285 reported 200 VC in area with mission unk at this time.
50	1635		196, Tang Binh ARVN S2 at 0500H vic BT162347 reported 120 VC in area with the mission to attack PFs in area.
51	1650		196, D/3/21 at 1615H vic BT044284 obs'd 2 VC carrying parts to a PRC/10 radio. Eng'd with SA. Res: 2 VC KIA(c).
52	1648		3/1, D/2/35 at 1625H vic BS731528 closed LZ Dragon.
53	1830		3/1, B/5/7 at 1305H vic AT960300 obs'd and eng'd 4 VC who were evading. Returned fire. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
54	1831		3/1, B/1/9 at 1125H vic AT996365 found 2 dead individuals dressed in black PJs. There were no apparent wounds. Had been dead approx 3 1/2 to 4 hours.

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1	0001		JOURNAL OPENED
2	0055		196 has intel that NVA plt is recruiting at village vic BT024255. 2/1 Inf has plt moving to village (now at BT024255). C/2/1(-) also moving to area (now at BT074203. MTF
3	0115		3/4, the following is an AO extension granted to 1 <sup>st</sup> ACD: BS816224 NW to BS810270 N to BS810260 E to BS890260 S to BS890240 E to BS900240 S to BS900224 W to BS814224. Eff to 131800H.
4	0350		196 B/3/1 has reached BT035255 and will stop for the night. C/3/21 (BT038213) is still moving.
5	0725		196, D/3/21 at 0230H vic BT062293 sprung an ambush on 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
6	0726		196, D/3/21 at 0705H observed 2 VN running away from their position 75 meters to the E. Fired warning shots. The individuals stopped, were detained and evacuated to rear.
7	0732		196, LRRP 3/21 at 0728H vic BT078296 obs'd 1 VC 5 meters from location. Tried to apprehend but he ran. Engaged. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
8	0800		3/4, D/2/35 at 0736H touched down on their CA vic BT756583. LZ was Cold.
9	0810		3/4, Recon/2/35 at 0735H vic BS738447 obs'd and eng'd 1 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA (c). Also misc documents CIA.I
10	0900		2 <sup>nd</sup> ARVN – Sector Opn OT-95-G-XD from 130800H to 132100H, bounded by 743751, 670750, 670790, follow terrain feature to 749813. Units participating are 1/4 APC, 3/4, 1/4, and 4 RF Companies.
11	0940		196, A/1/1 at 0930H vic BT243359, received 3 rds SA fire, returned fire, checking area.
12	1020		3/1, A/2/12 combat assault complete at 1012H vic AT981334. LZ cold.
13	1025		196, A/1/1 at 0955H vic BT246354. C/7/17 observed 2 individuals w/weapons, they dropped their weapons in a rice paddy and fled. A/1/1 apprehended them and C/7/17 directed them to the weapons. Res: CIA 1xSKS, SN D34225, 1xMAS36, SN 57745, 2 detainees. IPW team flown to location for interrogation.
14	1047		196, HHC/4/31 at 1033H vic AT987248, found and destroyed a BT HG (M26) set up as a trip type BT.
15	1050		2 <sup>nd</sup> ARVN Div agent reports indicate the following enemy unit locations: 21 <sup>st</sup> NVA Rgt vic AT873346 rating A2, 1 <sup>st</sup> VC Regt vic AT864285 rating A2, 1 Rkt Bn vic AT954205 rating C3, 1000 men vic AT810250 rating C3, 2 Bns vic AT802310 rating C3. All ratings are ARVN. G2 cannot comment on validity.
16	1115		III MAF: Daily Maneuver Battalion Report submitted on MSG DTG 130310Z.
17	1120		3/1AC, B/2/12 completed their CA at 1100H vic AT957307. LZ cold.
18	1125		3/4, D/2/35 at 1105H vic BS759574 rec'd 2 rds SA fire. Returned fire. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
19	1126		3/4, B/1/14 at 1115H vic BS878334 obs'd and eng'd 2 VC with weapons. Res: 1 VC KIA (c), 1 M14 CIA.
20	1205		196, C/1/17 at 1115H vic AT931276 rec'd 1 rd SA fire. Returned fire. Neg results. Acft was not hit.
21	1225		196, C/3/21 at 1130H vic BT081298 searched a hootch and found 1 green uniform.
22	1226		196, C/3/21 at 1130H vic BT081298 obs'd and engaged 2 VC at 150 meters NW. They ran, gave chase. Res: 1 VC CIA with wife & 5 kids. CIA 20 rds M60 ammo.
23	1255		196 <sup>th</sup> , HHC/3/31, time 1220H vic BT028252. Assistant operations sergeant accompanied PFs and Chieu Hoi from Nui Loc Son, in locating the Chieu Hoi's weapon. 1 Naggant carbine. SN 19544.
24	1305		3/1AC, C/5/7 completed combat assault at 1214H vic BT083383, cold LZ.
25	1322		3/1AC, D/5/7 completed combat assault at 1242H vic BT122397, cold LZ.
26	1415		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/1, time 1403H, vic BT247357 reports that C/7/17 shot 1 VC wearing blue pants, web belt, HG, and weapon. There is one more VC near the dead body and A/1/1 is moving to that area at this time. Res: 1 VC KIA (c). MTF
27	1415		3/4, C/1/14 at 1330H vic BS769248, eng'd 2 NVA. Res: 2 NVA KIA (c), 1 AK47 CIA.
28	1420		Avn Helicopter crashed in treeline vic BT445079 and is burning. The area is secured. Res: 2 NBK, 1 NBW and one individual condition is unknown at this time. MTF.
29	1450		Ref item 27 change time of incident to 1200H.
30	1458		3/4, D/2/35 at BS752587 obs'd and eng'd 2 enemy, 1 with weapon. Indiv with weapon wearing brown uniform, web gear, ammo pouch w/ammo plus 8 ammo clips, 2 Chicom HG, and misc documents. Other ind is black PJs with misc documents. Res: 2 VC KIA (c), 1 M1 rifle CIA SN 700423.
31	1515		Ref Journal Item #28, final result: 5 NBK, 2 NBW – waiting verification whether non-battle or result of hostile action.
32	1515		196, 156 <sup>th</sup> Sig, at 1435H vic BT283247, 2 1/2 ton truck received 5-6 rds SA fire. Did not return fire because of friendly village in the area. Neg casualties.
33	1520		At 1506H B/5/7 completed their move from LZ Leslie to LZ Colt.

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34	1600		1547H, Cpt Merrell DTOC rec'd a call from HQ USARV SFC Garcia. He stated that the USARV contact assistance team will arrive on 15 Dec 67, and will consist of 1 Col and 3 Majors. Confirmed data on arrival time will be rec'd at this HQ on a later date.
35	1547		1547H, Cpt Merrell DTOC rec'd a call from HQ USARV SFC Garcia. He stated that the USARV contact assistance team will arrive on 15 Dec 67, and will consist of 1 Col and 3 Majors. Confirmed data on arrival time will be rec'd at this HQ on a later date.
36	1650		Nav Supply Activity, Chu Lai at 1645H a tug boat is trying to keep a barge with a load of 90 tons of 155mm howitzer rounds and other ammo from washing up on beach.
37	1130		DELAYED ENTRY – 198 <sup>th</sup> , 176 <sup>th</sup> Avn, Time 1710H, vic BT429022. Eng'd 1 VC in support of C/1/46. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
38	1710		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/4/31, time 1705H, A/4/31 & an Hoi Chanh located a weapons cache. MTF
39	1735		2 <sup>nd</sup> ARVN LNO, QUANG NGAI, ref convoy for 2 <sup>nd</sup> ARVN Div, departing DANANG 140830H, arrive QUANG NGAI 141600H, convoy consists of 80 vehicles, carrying food, ammo and POL. Escort consists of 1 Co, Arty FO party and A1H on station to HOI AN. Request L-19 pick up convoy at HOI AN and provide coverage to QUANG NGAI. Passed to Divarty 32.
40	1745		198, PMO of 198, reported that at 1720H, vic BS565995 (approx) a 2 1/2 ton truck was reported to have been blown up and receiving sniper fire. Sent APCs to investigate. More to follow.
41	1750		196, A/3/21 at 1645H vic BTO83279 engaged 2 VC, swept area, found 500lb rice. Rice will be evacuated. Not other result.
42	1803		3/1, B/1/9, time 1040H, vic BT985316. Found individual in bushes KIA by gunship. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
43	1804		3/1, B/1/9, time 1156H, vic BT098378. Obs mil age male evading, NVA pistol belt. Eng'd, res 1 NVA KIA (c).
44	1805		3/1, B/1/9, time 1240H, vic BT081386. Eng'd 1 VC with pack. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
45	1806		3/1, B/1/9, time 1253H, vic BT133397. Eng'd 2 VC evading. Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
46	1807		3/1, A/2/12, time 1153H, vic AT980338. Eng'd 1 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
47	1808		3/1, B/1/9, time 1405H, vic BT130370. Hawk flt picked up 4 detainees, eng'd 1 NVA. Res: 1 NVA KIA (c), 4 det.
48	1809		3/1, D/5/7, time 1446H, vic BT114392. En'd 1 mil age male who refused to halt. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
49	1810		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/4/31, Ref to Journal entry #38, vic AT970286. The following weapons were in previously reported cache: 3 M60 MG with tripods, 3 BAR, 1 AK47, 1 M1, 1 MG (unk type). Inventory is not complete. MTF
50	1801		198 <sup>th</sup> , 1720H, vic BS567981. Marine 2 1/2 truck was hvy damaged by a command det mine loc in a covert. There were 7 indiv in the truck. 1 marine and 1 VN all were WHA – slightly. Evac.
51	1903		D/3/21, time 1815H, vic BT043301. Eng'd 1 VC running along trail dressed in black PJ. Had 2 ID cards, neither were his. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
52	1910		3/4, D/2/35, time 1334H, vic BS753575. Rec'd 1 rnd M79. Res: 1 US WHA minor.
53	1911		198 <sup>th</sup> , Agent report 100 VC are in area BT399115 & AT399120 have 2 RR & 1 Mortar. Evaluation C-3. 198 <sup>th</sup> asked to put TOT fire in there. I informed 198 <sup>th</sup> that they should check with arty.
54	1930		Binh Son Dist HQ at 1930H have approx 30 VC 3000m S of CAP L-1 position (vicBS610950).
55	2030		39 <sup>th</sup> Engr called to say the road S fr Chu Lai will probably be closed tomorrow if the rain doesn't let up.
56	2120		RD, L-1 at 2100H RD have informed L-1 of VC in BS604949 and BS606946. Est size – 2 plts totaling 100-150 men.
57	2125		3/4, said they have a convoy going S fr Duc Pho to Qui Nhon and asked us to relay this info to 1 <sup>st</sup> ACD to arrange an escort. 1 <sup>st</sup> ACD was informed and they said they would take care of it.
58	2200		3/4 AO fr 132400H – 142400H is BS7157 to BS7158 to BS7358 to BS7355 to BS7155.
59	2200		3/1, D/5/7, 1414H vic BT132388 eng'd 1 NVA. Res: 1 NVA KIA (c), 1 WHA evac.
60	2201		3/1, B/2/12, 1435H vic AT984307. 1 US stepped on BT, res 1 WHA (evac).
61	2300		198 vic BS567989 at 1700H, 4 miles S of Chu Lai a USMC truck detonated mine, cmd detonated by 2 VC. Fired on the 2 VC, res unk. USMC res: 1 WHA(evac), other 2 are OK and at CP.
62	2400		OPNS SUMMARY for AMERICAL DIV for the 24 hr period ending 132400H Dec. See SITREP for the 2400H period and WHEELER/WALLOWA SITREP #372, 373, 374, 375. Opn W/W cont'd w/light contact. 3/1 cont'd S&D opns in zone w/9 contacts, res 7 VC KIA(c), 2 NVA KIA(c), 1 IW, 1 WHA(evac). 196 cont'd S&D opns in zone w/8 contacts, res 7 VC KIA(c), 8 IW, 4 CSW. Totals for W/W: 14 VC KIA(c), 2 NVA KIA(c), 9 IW, 4 CSW, 1 WHA(evac). 3/4 cont'd S&D opns in zone w/6 contacts, res 5 VC KIA(c), 2 NVA KIA (c), 3 IW, 1 WHA

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1	0001		JOURNAL OPENED
2	0244		k-5 AT 131730h this unit rec'd info that 75-150 VC were at BT397115 with 106 Rec, 82mm, 57 Rec wpns. May try to overrun K-5 tonight or tomorrow.
3	0245		L-1 at 132030H vic BS604949-606946 rec'd word fr RD unit that 100-150 VC are at BS612954 and sent 2 Marines to adjust mtr fire. Will check area in morning.
4	0914		3/1, B/1/9 time 0900H, vic BT239409. Gunship observed 2 mil age males with green shirts and black bottoms. They attempted to evade gunship, engaged. Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
5	0915		To CG, QUANG NGAI, TOC Col Parson will be at QUANG NGAI 1050H.
6	0926		3/1, D/5/7, completed CA at 0916H, vic BT236404. The LZ was cold.
7	0932		3/1, B/1/9, time 0913H, vic BT239405. Gunship obs 2 NVA in grey unif evading to NE. Eng'd and res 1 NVA KIA. The other one ran into a hootch and they have negative assessment at this time.
8	0940		Ref to Journal entry #5, should read Col Parsons will be in Chu Lai 1050H.
9	0941		3/1, D/5/7, CA complete 0916H, vic BT236404. LZ cold.
10	0940		39 <sup>th</sup> Engr, B Co, at 0820H vic BT245218, found 1 60mm mortar rd, blew in place.
11	1000		196, requested rules of engagement for 8 sampans at AT8924. G3 advised they are fair game, passed to 196 <sup>th</sup> .
12	1000		196, C/7/17 at 0931H, vic AT951278, detained 1 VCS.
13	1007		ADE, SFC West, the 39 <sup>th</sup> Engr reported Hwy 1 open fr Chu Lai to Duc Pho. 1xculvert was blown last night vic BS 566988, approx 1720H. Water is up in the MODUC area, however the roads are not covered at this time.
14	1010		3/1, B/1/9, at 1000H vic BT228420, gunship obs 2 military age males evading, 1 wearing khaki shirt and black pajama bottoms and running West. The other wearing black pajamas running North. Gunship engaged. Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
15	1011		3/4, Rcn 2/35, completed CA vic BS718568, at 0800H. LZ was cold.
16	1024		198 <sup>th</sup> , E/1/46, completed CA vic BT215122 at 1029H. LZ cold.
17	1035		196 <sup>th</sup> , D/3/21, time 0930H, vic BT042292. 6 detainees, 1 attempted to flee. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
18	1110		0948 rec'd the following information fr Cpt Lambert operation officer S3, 3/1. The intelligence report concerning 10 US soldiers being held by VC vic BT015485 came from the S2 at Hoa An on the morning of 13 <sup>th</sup> of Dec 67. This information was given to the 3/1 S2 who passed it on to the CO 3/1 with a low rating. The 3/1, sent scouts into the area to try and verify the report with neg assessment. Based on this information, the BDE decided not to send troops into the area.
19	1110		3/1, D/5/7, time 1100H, vic BT238436. Found 2 KIA by gunship. Killed approx 0855H. Also picked up 2 detainees, will evac to CP. Res: 2 VC KIA (c), 2 detainees.
20	1111		3/1, A/5/7, time 1100H, vic BT213438. Rec'd fire from 8-10 individuals, camouflaged uniforms, packs & wpns. UH-1B ACFT. Rec'd AW fire, speed 50 knots, 10 ft altitude, ground troops. Eng'd. Ca sunk at this time.
21	1112		At 1030H, rec'd call by Cpt Stevenson, G2, that Quang Ngai requested the following AO: BS3589 S to Bs3586 to BS4889 to BS4886, for the period 140600 to 151900H. Special forces opns.
22	1110		Two combat assaults. 3/1, C/5/7, CA 1 lift 1030H, TD 1038H, LZ cold. LZ vic BT248378 the other 3/1, A/5/7, CA completed LZ vic BT213438 and the LZ cold.
23	1125		3/1, CO 5/7, time 1110H, vic BT236402. Obs 25-50 NVA, requested gunships. B/1/9 and ARA in the area at this time. MTF
24	1130		3/1, Bde Scouts, B/1/9, time 0940H, vic BT081407, obs and eng 2 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c), 1 evaded.
25	1140		196 <sup>th</sup> , B/21, CA complete at 1133H, vic BT121318. LZ cold.
26	1145		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 1035H, vic BT323305. Obs 1 individual evading. Eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
27	1146		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17. Time 1015H, vic BT325306. Obs 1 individual in grey clothing evading. He ran into hut. Apprehended. Res: 1 detained.
28	1210		3/1, A/1/7 at 1100H, vic BT026403 found 1 VC KIA by Arty. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
29	1211		3/1, B/1/9 at 1057H, vic BT213438. OH-13 w/gunship rec'd several rds AW fire, aircraft hit, non-flyable, landed at Hill 29. Neg cas. Ref item #20.
30	1212		3/1, A/5/7 at 1100H vic BT213438 results of engagement to date 4 NVA KIA (c). MTF
31	1213		3/1, B/1/9, time 1135H, vic BT204437. Gunship B/1/9, hit by ground fire, speed and altitude unk. Landed Hill 29. ACFT claims 5 NVA KIA (c), before being forced down.
32	1300		1150H, 3/4, Recon 1/14, completed CA vic BS8122300 at 0736H. LZ cold.

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33	1230		196 <sup>th</sup> , 3/1, time 1220H, vic BT099289. 3/1 has 2 individuals, 1 Chieu Hoi and 1 civilian who state there is an ordinance plant in vic of BT099289. 196 <sup>th</sup> was notified. 196 <sup>th</sup> will check area. MTF
34	1301		Message sent to III MAF COC and 1 <sup>st</sup> MAR DIV COC, subject cancellation of AO request at 1403150H Dec 67.
35	1345		C/7/17 at 1150H vic BT328301 rec'd SA fire fr N. cft had 1 hit resulting in 1 US WHA (minor). Returned fire w/neg results.
36	1346		B/2/1 at 1240H vic BT125326 found 2 M-26 HGs, 6 tons of unpolished rice, a muskrat type booby trap that was hidden in a pile of clothing, a USMC type bag containing med supplies. They will try to evacuate the rice. In the same vicinity they also found an additional 750lbs of rice in a hootch. This additional 750lbs of rice will be destroyed.
37	1350		3/1, B/1/35 at 1125H vic BT098445, had 1 friendly NBW by HG fragments, resulting in 1 NBW (evac).
38	1355		3/1, D/5/7, time 1258H, vic BT431204. 1 VC KIA (c) and 1 BAR CIA.
39	1355		3/1, B/1/9, time 1245H, vic BT204439. Eng'd SW NVA. 5 NVA KIA (c).
40	1417		3/1, D/1/7. Time 1355H, vic BT205455. UH-1B lift ship down by AW fire secured by D/1/7. Neg cas.
41	1500		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/1/17, time 1151H, vic BT323304. 1 individual in blue shirt, khaki pants evading. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
42	1500		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 1150H, vic BT 321303. Obs 1 individual in blk PJ and poncho evading. Res: 1 VC KIA(c).
43	1500		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 1150H, vic BT321302. Obs 2 VC in fatigue shirts evading. Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
44	1500		196 <sup>th</sup> C/7/17, time 1145H, vic BT322300. 1 VC tan shirt tan shorts evading. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
45	1500		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 1145H, vic BT328301. Obs 1 VC evading in green uniform. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
46	1505		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 1145H, vic BT324304. Obs 2 VC, 1 VC threw HG. Res: 1 US WHA when HG hit him in face knocking teeth out (HG did not explode). Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
47	1504		3/1, B/1/9, time 1057H, vic BT213438. Eng'd a group of NVA. Res: 4 NVA KIA (c). 1 NVA KIA (p). Rec'd 12 hits AW fire. ACFT not flyable. ACFT returned to home base.
48	1505		3/1, B/1/9, time 1225H, vic BT209443. Eng'd 2 mil age males, 1 in camouflage uniform with pack. Other black PJs, both had weapons. Res: 1 VC KIA (c), 1 NVA KIA (c).
49	1506		3/1, B/1/9, time 1220, vic BT204444. UH-1B rec'd 15 rds SA fire & 20 rds AW fire. 3 hits. Flyable. Alt 40', speed 50 knots. Eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
50	1507		3/1, B/1/9, time 1414H, vic BT215451. Eng'd 1 NVA crossing river. Res: 1 NVA KIA (c).
51	1508		3/1, B/1/9, time 1414H, vic BT218447. 2 NVA, green unif moving NE. Eng'd. Res: 2 NVA KIA (c).
52	1521		196 <sup>th</sup> , F/17 Cav, time 1320H, vic BT294355. Found & destroyed tunnel.
53	1520		196 <sup>th</sup> , S-3 3/82, Time 1000H, vic BT112777. While on VR pick up foreign radio traffic. Use the homing device in helicopter and tracked it to grid BT112777. Called in Arty fire MSN, when arty start hitting the target the fever of intense transmissions increased. As they walked the arty to the west side of hill, the transmission fever intensified again. MTF
54	1521		196 <sup>th</sup> , CP 3/21, time 1445, vic BT096275. Rec'd 2 rds SA fire. Called in arty and mortar fire on loc.
55	1525		B/1/9, vic BT204307. Ref to Journal entry #31. 1 US WHA evac in helicopter.
56	1530		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/2/1, time 1507H, vic BT135266. Det 1 female, 1 child, 1 old male. Evacuated location.
57	1630		196 <sup>th</sup> , plt from 1/1 Cav close hill 10.
58	1625		198 <sup>th</sup> , 1/46, time 1545H, vic BT424156. 2 squad fr B S&C Lt Kapland slightly wounded rt hand by sniper fire. Pursued sniper. Neg results.
59	1640		198 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/6, time 1617, vic BS486916. Obs & eng'd 5 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA(c); pursuing other 4.
60	1611		Demolish 40, ENO 5 <sup>th</sup> ARVN Reg, time 1510. 125000 square meters of land cleared.
61	1700		3/1, B/1/9, time 1645H, vic BT215439. OH-13 rec'd heavy AW fire receiving numerous hits. Res: 2 WHA (evac), aircraft not flyable. Aircraft shot 1 NVA KIA (c) before being forced down.
62	1701		3/4, C/2/35, time 1535, vic BS776440. Rec'd sniper fire, in pursuit. MTF
63	1500		DELAYED ENTRY – Division Command Net Remote to TOC is inoperative, radio is working but operator must relay by telephone all messages. Sig Ops notified. Asst Div Sig Off (Maj Carrier) notified. Repairs are being made at this time.
64	1750		USARV, Sgt Garcia, called ref contact assistance team, they will arrive CHU LAI at 151140H Dec 67.

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1	0001		JOURNAL OPENED
2	0055		3/1, D/5/7, 0025H vic BT238402 rec'd unk # M-79 rds inside perimeter. Res: 2 WHA (evac). Evac complete 0050H.
3	0905		At 0815 FSC received a call from 1 <sup>st</sup> Cav that CA was being conducted in the vic BS8921. Checked with 3d Bde 4 <sup>th</sup> Inf and they were aware of CA and will call in any AO extension granted to 1 ACD.
4	0840		3/1, B/1/9, time 0820H, vic AT985314. Gunship obs 4 men with black PJs and packs going SW. Gunship engaged. Res: 2 VC KIA. The other two evaded.
5	0840		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 0739H, vic AT916205. ACFT rec'd 2 rds SA fire. There were no hits. Returned fire with neg results.
6	0730		MAG 13, F-B4, time 0710H, vic BS670990. Rec'd 25 rds of 30 cal weapons believed to be 2 hand held. No tracers. Fire came from 0400 with the aircraft leading at 260 deg.
7	0825		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 0721H, vic AT883226. Obs and eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
8	0955		3/4, C/2/35, time 0820H, vic BS752554. Eng'd killed 1 VC (c).
9	0958		196 <sup>th</sup> , FAC, time 0900H, vic AT9418. Obs'd excessive foot prints in side of river vic AT9418 and at 948202. Also fortified positions and 1 camouflaged sampan at AT944201.
10	1000		196 <sup>th</sup> , FAC, time 0900H, vic AT844214. Obs'd 1 bulldozer w/o engine, 2 trucks adjacent to road. Vic AT847214. Obs'd road grader and a well plowed area. A well constructed bridge, strong enough for trucks at AT8421. Fortified positions at AT842203 and 845203. Also aw psns along trail AT839199 obs'd 10 gun psns in open w/fresh dirt and a bamboo rod running SW across trail to wood line. Also camouflaged gun psns and well used trail vic AT842196.
11	1002		C/2/1, time 0815H, vic BT215225 & coord (en) BT217227. At 0815H rec'd 4-6 rds AW fire from NW at 0820H. Rec'd 4-6 more rds same loc. Returned fire, swept area, neg results.
12	1025		196 <sup>th</sup> , 3 plt C/4/31, time 1000H, vic AT977226. Eng'd unk number NVA. 2 KIA (c). Called gunships. Contact continues. MTF
13	1030		198 <sup>th</sup> , E/1/6, time 0950H, vic BS553978. Eng'd 3 ind who disregarded halt warning. Res 1 VC KIA. At this time E Co rec AW fire from vic BS567976. PF unit in the same area captured 1 ind from rice paddy vic of fire. Captured 1 VC (s). He was taken to Bn CP. S2 indicated that this detainee does not reside in that area and he a VC collecting rice.
14	1045		196 <sup>th</sup> , B/2/1, time 1038YH, the first lift of B/2/1 is in route to Chu Lai.
15	1045		3/1, A/1/6, time 0722H, vic 515924. Picked up a woman when they came across an old base camp vic 515924. She had a wounded foot apparently a bullet wound. She is approx 40-50 yrs old. Also at the same loc they found two empty ammo boxes and claymore mine w/det cut off, NVA canteen, 1 pair PF boots, hat, shelter half. Woman is being evac to Bn CP to be determined of status and to have American personnel look at her wounds.
16	1050		196 <sup>th</sup> , D/4/31, completed air lift vic AT991282.
17	1105		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 0958H, vic AT948194. Obs & eng'd 1 VC khaki pants, grey shirt taking evasive action. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
18	1115		1104H – Gen Tolson, CG 1 <sup>st</sup> ACD (AML) in the Americal Division AO visit LZ Baldy.
19	1121		CA, C/5/7, complete 1004H. LZ cold, the vic of LZ BT196438.
20	1112		Ref to Journal entry No. 11. Obs 1 VC in hootch. Eng'd w/SA. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
21	1107		3/1, B/1/9, time 1100H, vic AT987313. Gunship spotted 1 man moving south with pack, he evaded. Eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA.
22	1113		196 <sup>th</sup> , S2-196, time 1045H, vic 018276. Assisted PF to move 11 Hoi Chanh to Thang Binh. Also evac 4 possible POW to 196 <sup>th</sup> PW cage.
23	1130		B/2/1 inf completed their airlift at 1100H.
24	1140		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/3/21, time 1025H, vic BT039212. Eng'd 2 ind, 1 wounded and captured. VCS.
25	1140		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/3/21, time 1047H, vic BT099289. Ammo factory led to by Hoi Chanh 155 rd dud. 1 Chicom HG, screws, nuts, rifle, bolt, powder, trigger housing group, medic kit, 400lb rice, documents, bayonet, canteen, 2 CBUS, 30 fuses 200 7.62 rds, 1 US gas mask, 5 50 cal rds, 2 pair binoculars.
26	1130		Rec'd call from Quang Ngai that the ARVN 6 <sup>th</sup> Regt would be operating in an area bounded by BT2721, 3016, 2315, 2118. Contacted 196, they were not aware of this operation, but will clear the AO extension for the time frame 150900H-152200H Dec 67.
27	1207		196, C/4/31, 1 <sup>st</sup> lift complete at 1158H vic AT977226. LZ cold.

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28	1207		3/1, D/5/7, time 0940H, vic BT235409. Found 3 enemy KIA by ARA strike from yesterday. Res: 3 en KIA (c). Unk at this time if VC or NVA.
29	1209		196 <sup>th</sup> , 4/31, time 1000H, vic AT987226. Obs'd 2 personnel in unif, no friendly troops in area other than elements of 4/31. B/4/31 checking area.
30	1235		C/1/52, time 1140H, vic BS623993. Bos'd 2 VC run into pagoda w/2 claymores. Both ran to river and got into boat. C&C eng'd, sunk boat. Res: 1 VC KIA (c) and 1 detainee.
31	1300		3/1, C/5/7, completed CA at 1004H at the vic BT19438. The LZ was cold.
32	1320		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/2/1, time 1307H, vic 137311 & 138318. While conducting CA, gunship rec'd SA fire. Unit assaulted loc, checked the area and found 1 VC KIA (c). Continue to search.
33	1300		1230H a call from MAG13 S2 corpsman on MEDCAP in An Tan reported no patients, no waving or smiles, no talking from civilian populace. Time of incident: 0800H.
34	1345		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/4/31, time 1335H, vic AT977217. Were led to a wpns & ammo cache loc at AT977217. Recon by fire, 1 large explosion, 2 small explosion & some friendly casualties. MTF
35	1405		196, C/2/1 at 1400H vic BT137310 had one US KHA by booby trap. MTF
36	1420		196, C/4/31 at 1400H (ref entry #34) result of explosion was probably the weapons cache, result: 6 US WHA (evac).
37	1430		198, E/1/46 at 1330H vic BT306106, engaged approx 10 VC. Called gunships on station. Interim result 1 US WHA (minor), contact continues.
38	1500		198 <sup>th</sup> , E/1/46, time 1435H, vic BT296103. Ref to Journal entry #37. Add 2 US WHA (evac). Contact continues.
39	1515		A/3/21, time 1501, vic 086294. Obs and eng'd 1 VC running west at 200 meters, after initial engagement 6 more VC ran in the same direction. Neg results at this time.
40	1520		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/4/31, time 1335H, vic AT977217. Friendly forces set off explosion. A US WHA, all evac. Now believed to be ammo dump. Still checking out.
41	1535		196 <sup>th</sup> , Sniffer ACFT, time 1515H, vic AT949199. Sniffer ACFT rec'd AW fire. Gunship returned fire. Arty called in. Neg assessment.
42	1625		3/4, Bde Avn, time 1100H, vic BS765263. Found 1 enemy KIA. Res: 1 en KIA (c).
43	1626		3/4, B/1/14, time 1327H, vic BS818240. Picked up 1 VC detainee.
44	1627		3/4, B/1/14 at 1447H, vic BS818242, eng'd 1 NVA. Res: 1 NVA KIA (c).
45	1628		3/4, Bde Avn at 1507H, vic BS754536, eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
46	1635		196, B/3/21 at 1501H, vic BT072302, received 3 rds SA fire, returned fire, checked area. Found 1 VC female KIA (c), CIA 1 SKS #295114. Also 2 female detainees.
47	1645		198, E/1/46 at 1640, Ref to Journal #38. Contact broken at 1640H. BT296103.
48	1725		3/1, B/1/35 at 1430H, vic BT125436. Eng'd 1 VC w/SA fire. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
49	1726		3/1, B/1/9, at 1102H vic AT987313. Eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
50	1727		3/1, A/5/7 at 1052H vic BT212428 found two fresh graves in yesterday's contact area. Graves contained 2 mil age male. Res: 2 en KIA (c).
51	1728		3/1, D/5/7, at 1116H vic BT236404, C&C acft eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
52	1729		3/1, D/5/7, at 0940H, vic BT235409, found 3 VC KIA by ARA. Res: 3 VC KIA (c).
53	1730		3/1, B/1/9, at 0825H vic AT905314, eng'd 4 mil age males w/packs moving SW. Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
54	1805		198, E/1/52 at 1800H vic BS628972, found two graves. Opened graves and found 2 bodies not dead over 12 hrs. Determined to have been killed by artillery concentration this AM. Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
55	1900		39 <sup>th</sup> Engr, B Co, at 0900H vic BT255204, found 1 mine, 4x4.2 mortar rds booby trapped set in old dozer track. Blown in place.
56	1915		196, C/7/17 at 1645H vic BT318322 and BT324314 engaged 30-40 sampans. Res: 28 sampans sunk.
57	1915		3/4, C/2/35 at 1832H vic BS765543, received fire from N&S. Arty called, cancelled at this time. Contact broken at 1842H.
58	2000		198, 1/6 at 1935H vic BS579967, PFs were engaged by SA fire and HG by approx 8 VC. Illum being fired. MTF
59	2005		3/1, B/5/7, at 1615H vic BT105399. Eng'd 2 VC. Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
60	2010		3/4, CPT Johns called w/following info: Convoy: 30 vehicles (27 cargo, 3 spt), destination Qui Nhon. Leave Duc Pho 160900H and arrive 1 <sup>st</sup> ACD pickup point at 161030H. TO rep in TOC notified.

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1	0001		JOURNAL OPENED
2	0100		3/4 req AO for BS7457 – 2197 – 7467 for period 160001 to 172400H. Notified FSE.
3	-600		Sgt Cooper 3/4, TOC reported MSF making CA vic BS893216 at 0730 this morning. He had word from his arty people that 1 ACD was pulling a CA 100 meters away at 0703, contacted Cpt Browning 1 ACD TOC who has no knowledge of any 1 <sup>st</sup> Cav CA in that area. Passed to 3/4 TOC.
4	0820		198 <sup>th</sup> , E/1/52, time 0600H, vic BS628971. Ref to Journal entry #76, 152400H Dec. Area swept where VC was captured last night and found 1 M14 and web gear covered with blood. Res: 1 IW CIA.
5	0845		Ref Journal entries #67, 68, 69, 70, for 15 Dec 67. G3 has seen and approved all AO extensions and Free Fire Zones.
6	0900		3/4, MF Combat Assault to BS807217 complete 0730H. LZ cold.
7	0900		3/1, B/1/35, combat assault to vic BT145505 complete at 0850H. LZ cold.
8	0901		3/4, Rcn/2/35 at 0730H vic BS782432, eng'd 2 enemy evading. Res: 1 En KIA (c), 1 En WIA/CIA.
9	0915		196, C/7/17, at 0900H vic AT965265 observed 1 VC, black PJs, evading into bunker. Engaged. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
10	0935		3/4, Rcn/2/35 at 0730H vic BS782432 obs'd and eng'd 2 enemy evading. Res: 1 VC KIA (c), 1 VC WIA CIA. Indiv captured admitted to be a hamlet guerilla. Also captured web gear & 1 M26 HG. See entry #8.
11	0936		3/4, B/2/35 at 0820H vic 785438 obs'd & eng'd 2 enemy evading, fired warning shots. Personnel admitted to being VC and are being used for field exploitation. Res: 2 VC CIA.
12	0937		3/4, Rcn/2/35 at 0845H vic BS792439 found 2 detainees in a hole. Res: 2 M1 carbine CIA serial #3348313 & 5491151 and misc medical supplies.
13	0945		3/1, A/5/7, combat assault complete 0917H vic BT172485, cold LZ, total lift complete 0948H.
14	0946		3/4, combat assault of 1 plt D/2/35 complete at 0853H vic BS751615, D(-)/2/35 complete at 0900H vic BS745606. Both LZs cold.
15	0946		3/4, LRRP #1 inserted at BS815228 at 0751HY. Cold LZ.
16	1015		196, will have CS drop vic AT9024 at 1500H. Purpose is to interdict foot traffic in the area.
17	1010		39 <sup>th</sup> Eng at 0930H vic BT252212 found 1 2.75mm rocket round. Blew in place.
18	1018		3/1, C/5/7, completed CA at 1007H vic BT172485. Cold LZ.
19	1030		196, D/2/1 at 0800H vic BT125290 found a bin (4'x4'x8') of rice estimated to be 3,000 lbs. PRL says this is VC rice. VN civilian says rice is his and has hand receipt from VC to prove it. VN civilian detained as a suspected tax collector.
20	1109		3/4, S2 ACFT at 1035H vic BS720294 obs'e & eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
21	1110		3/4, D/2/35 at 1055H vic B S744611 obs'd & eng'd 2 VC, one with weapon, moving on trail from W to E. Res: 1 VC KIA (c), 1 M26 HG. Following blood trail of VC with weapon.
22	1115		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 0800H, vic AT915203. Rec'd SA fire, returned fire, neg res.
23	1116		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 0745H, vic AT944201. Eng'd camouflaged sampan and destroyed it.
24	1117		C/7/17, time 10750H, vic At930200. Eng'd 1 sampan & dest it.
25	1124		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 1058H, vic 216206. Obs'd 1 camouflaged sampan, eng'd & dest .
26	1125		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 1107H, vic AT911216. 2 VC in grey unif web belts eng'd . Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
27	1130		CA, B/1/7, 1 lift 1050H, TD 1053H, final TD 1122H, LZ BT040373. LZ cold.
28	1131		3/1, B/1/7, vic BT040375. 1 EM was wounded by a punji stick. Res: 1 WHA (evac).
29	1200		196, C/7/17 at 1150H at 1150H vic AT905215, obs'd 1 VC in blk PJs evading, engaged. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
30	1220		198, H/17 Cav, at 0945H vic BT564002. POW offered to escort to weapons cache. At 1210 received sniper fire, eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA (c), 1 VC CIA, 1 US WHA (evac).
31	1225		3/4, S2 Acft, at 1125H vic BS610487, obs'd 2 NVA in green uniforms w/packs. Eng'd. Res: 2 NVA KIA (c).
32	1230		196, requested Free Fire Zone vic AT9022-9722 – 9018 – 9718. Scheduled to terminate at 012400H Jan 68 to be terminated at 161500H Dec 67.
33	1240		198 <sup>th</sup> , H/17, time 1210, vic BS564002. Ref to Journal item #30. Add 1 smg CIA. POW offered to lead troops to other VC location, presently receiving sniper fire, reinforcing with more tracks. MTF
34	1248		B/9 Engr mine sweep complete and road is passable from BT144456 (LZ Baldy) N to BT084555.
35	1315		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 1200H, vic 910214. Rec unk no. of rnds of sniper fire from hootch. Returned fire with rockets. Destroyed 1 hootch.

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36	1316		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/1, time 1220H, vic 304280. Found 1 yellow ATmine sitting on fence for death trip detonation. It was 4" long and 2 1/2" in diameter. Blown in place. Appeared to be there for some time.
37	1215		198 <sup>th</sup> , H/17, time 1200H, vic BS572990. Ref to Journal item #30 & 33. Add 1 VC CIA and 1 M1 carbine CIA. Continuing search. MTF
38	1330		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/1, Time 1215H, vic 304282. 1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> plt received 1 rd SA fire fr village 200 meters to their E. Didn't return fire. Checked area w/heg results.
39	1350		1350H, 198 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/52 completed CA vic BS658013, BS667008 and BS671011 at 1340H. LZ cold.
40	1420		196 <sup>th</sup> , D/2/1, time 1401H, vic BT126299. Found approx 1200 lbs of polished rice and 1 machine gun in good condition. Plus 200 rds of linked M60 ammo.
41	1430		1415H, call from 3/4 TOC to Special Forces. Report enemy company in open vic BS494319. Requested gunships.
42	1430		9 <sup>th</sup> Engr, vic BT409131. Report road is now passable at this point and repairs have been completed.
43	1433		198 <sup>th</sup> , E/1/52, time 1305H, vic BS632974. Ref to Journal entry #7, 15 Dec 67. Found 3 fresh graves, bodies killed recently by shrapnel and bullet wounds. Res: 3 VC KIA (c).
44	1500		198 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/52, time 1400H, vic BT663011. Found a body, no ID, no weapon and believed killed by gunships. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
45	1505		198 <sup>th</sup> , H/17 Cav, vic BT564002. Reference to Journal entry #30, 33, 37. Total is now 3 IW CIA, 1 VC KIA (c), 2 VC CIA (detainees), 1 WHA (evac).
46	1508		3/4, C/2/35, time 1455H, vic 755602. Located tunnel w/trap door, threw in HG. Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
47	1516		3/4, A/1/14, time 1410H, vic BS907284. Obs & eng'd 8 VC with weapons. Res: 3 VC KIA (c), 5 VC detainees. 1 bolt action rifle, 2 M1 carbines and 1 M1 rifle CIA.
48	1535		Demolish 40 LNO 5 ARVN Regt, time 1530H, 200,000 square meters land cleared. 1 anti-tank mine destroyed.
49	1615		3/4, 1/1/14, time 1550H, vic 907284. Eng'd 3 en in bunker. Res: 1 KIA (c), 3 CIA.
50	1616		3/4, A/1/14, tgime 1520H, vic 907284. Eng'd 1 VC w/wpn. Res: 1 VC KIA (c), 1 AK47 CIA.
51	1615		3/1, C/2/12, completed movement to LZ Ross at 1610H.
52	1645		3/1, D/5/7, at 1600H, vic BT200460, received sniper fire, fire has ceased. Res: 1 US WHA (evac).
53	1650		3/1, B/1/9 at 1605H vic BT018391, obs 1 mil age male in black PJs evading. Eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
54	1651		3/1, D/5/7 at 1430H vic BT208440, found 4 VC KIA by ARA. Res: 4 VC KIA (c).
55	1652		3/1, B/1/9 at 1212H vic BT219449, observed and engaged 1 mil age male w/pistol belt. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
56	1653		3/1, C/1/7 at 1010H vic BT176479, engaged 1 VC w/pack. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
57	1654		3/1, C/1/35 at 0815H vic BT135507, engaged 1 VC crossing river. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
58	1655		3/1, B/1/9 at 1000H vic BT147748, engaged 8 VC dressed in black PJs, evading. Res: 8 VC KIA (c).
59	1725		196, C/1/17 at 1630H, vic BT205238, obs'd and eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
60	1753		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 1735H, vic BT302282. OH6A shot down by hostile fire, burned on impact. Gunships in area. Crew of 3 all evacuated to Hill 35. 1 WHA in leg, in clearing station at Hill 35.
61	1905		39 <sup>th</sup> Engr, C Co, time 1720H, vic BS727558. VN children found 1 105mm rd. Blown in place.
62		1930	Weather effects report sent to III MAF.
63	1940		Ref contact of 1651, D/5/7. Found 3 VC KIA (c) by ARA. 5 minutes later they eng'd 1 VC. Res: 4 VC KIA (c).
64	1941		D/5/7 at 1421H vic 217443 found 1 VC KIA (c) by ARA. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
65	1942		Bde Scouts (3/1) at 1830H vic BT143513 obs 7 VC, 3 were in a boat and 4 were hiding in some bushes. The 3 in a boat tried to evade. Bde Scouts eng'd. Res: 2 VC KIA (c). After engaging the 3 VC in the boat they went back and eng'd the 4 VC hiding in the bushes. They killed all four. Total res: 6 VC KIA (c).
66	1943		ARVN LNO requests the following area be cleared for ARVN opn: 210190 to 260190 to 210150 to 260150 for the period 170500H to 171800H. 196 <sup>th</sup> has approved the request.
67	1920		(Delayed) B/1/46 at 1915H reports receiving mortar fire at BT358128. Also receiving SA fire. Fire is just outside perimeter. Contact broken at 1950H. Neg cas.
68	1905		C Co, 39 <sup>th</sup> Engr, at BS727588, time 1720H reports VN children found 1 ea 105mm rd. Blown in place. Delete entry #61.

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1	0001		JOURNAL OPENED
2	0020		CAG, K-5 at 162150H vic BT407122, patrol checking hamlet when 4 VC ran out of house, engaged, and hit one. Patrol followed blood trail to BT409124 and made contact with 5 more VC in tree line. At 2245H still checking out area. Captured one pack.
3	0020		CAG, CAP L-1 at 162015H vic BS612952, rec'd sniper rd fr BS600949 and requested fire mission at BS615942. Reaction force from L-1 requested to help support RD and fired 81mm HE and Illum. Neg results.
4	0115		3/1, B/1/35, at 161945H vic BT140493 obs'd 2 VC pickup claymore mine on defensive perimeter. B Co detonated mine. Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
5	0740		3/4, C/1/14 airlift to LZ Bronco complete at 0805H.
6	0842		196, C/7/17 at 0805H vic BT296288 obs'd 4 mil age males, 1 threw something into bushes. He was detained and evac to 196 POW cage.
7	0845		196, CS drop has been cancelled. 2 platoons of F Trp, 17 <sup>th</sup> Cav departed 196 loc for opns in the NEPTUNE AO.
8	0915		3/1, B/1/9 at 0830H vic BT124385, chased a VC into a bunker and engaged with a HG. Res: 1 VC KIA (c), picked up two detainees at same location.
9	0915		3/1, B/1/35 at 0730H vic BT140493, engaged 2 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
10	0916		3/1, C/2/12 completed combat assault at 0900H vic AT988334. LZ cold.
11	1005		3/4, called in AO extension they have had approved by local ARVN forces. From BS7155 to BS7159 to BS7359 to BS7355. Effective until 172400H.
12	1030		ADE reported a blown culvert vic BT254298.
13	1032		3/1, A/5/7 completed move to LZ Colt at 1012H. B/5/7 completed combat assault to vic BT142392 at 1016H.
14	1125		196, C/7/17 at 1045H vic BT319268 obs'd 2 VC w/weapons in a sampan. 1 VC had web belt w/HG, eng'd. Res: 2 VC KIA (c), 2 IW CIA (type unknown), 1 sampan destroyed.
15	1130		Reference Journal entry #12 – erroneously entered – disregard.
16	1125		196, C/7/17 at 1114H vic BT319268 obs'd 2 VC hiding in water breathing through a reed. Eng'd. Res: 2 VC KIA (c). Same time obs'd 1 VC in brown clothing. Eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA (c). Total Res: 3 VC KIA (c).
17	1125		198, 196 LRRP at 0910H vic AT924205 rec'd AW fire. Arty requested. Res unknown.
18	1125		196, A/1/1 at 1025H vic BT275358 rec'd 12 rds SA fire. Returned fire. Neg res.
19	1126		196, 71 <sup>st</sup> Avn at 0957H vic BT102219 while on escort mission obs'd 1 VC. Eng'd with neg results.
20	1141		196, C/7/17 at 1132H vic BT319268 obs'd 1 VC in black suit coming from underneath a camouflaged boat. Eng'd w/45 cal pistol. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
21	1140		196, C/7/17 at 1130H vic BT319268 obs'd 1 VC hiding in reeds. Eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
22	1200		3/1, C/5/7 completed combat assault to vic BT140410 at 1107H, LZ cold. D/5/7 completed combat assault to vic BT135405 at 1151H, LZ cold.
23	1315		196, A/1/1 at 1255H vic BT276358 obs'd & engaged 2 VC, 1 in khaki uniform with star on belt buckle, other in black PJs. Res: 2 VC KIA (c), 1xMossin-Nagant Rifle, SN67646, 1 Chicom Frag grenade, 1 Chicom smoke grenade.
24	1320		The 196 requested an AO extension along the NEPTUNE boundary up along the BT25 grid line to BT2539 East to the ocean. Advised the 196 that direct coordination between the 3/1 and the ARVNs at Tam Ky was approved by the Americo.
25	1345		198, A/1/6 at 1335H vic BS454887 completed CA. LZ cold.
26	1354		196, C/7/17 at 1320H vic BT319278 obs'd 2 VC with weapons. Eng'd. Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
27	1355		196, C/7/17 at 1325H vic B T319268 obs'd 1 VC hiding under sampan. Eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA (c), 1 sampan destroyed.
28	1400		196, LRRP Wilma at 1348H vic AT923219, obs'd several huts and 8 VC w/weapons in area. Calling in Arty.
29	1420		196, C/7/17 at 1355H vic BT310271, obs'd 25 camouflaged sampans. Eng'd. Res: 25 sampans destroyed.
30	1455		196, F/17 at 1440 vic BT301281 found and destroyed a tunnel.
31	1505		196, C/7/17 at 1500H vic BT316275 obs'd 3 VC hiding along river. Eng'd. Res: 3 VC KIA (c).
32	1520		198, A/1/6 at 1348H vic BS454884 obs'd and eng'd 4 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
33	1525		196, A/1/1 at 1459H vic BT275365 obs'd and eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c), 1 Mosin-Nagant SN398167087 and 3 HG.

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34	1530		198, HHC/16 at 161600H vic BS576965 civilians turned in one carbine SN 6320567. It was in good condition and they had one magazine of ammo. When the civilian was questioned, he fled.
35	1430		39 Engr at 0820H vic BT237219 found 3x60mm mortar rds. Blown in place.
36	1600		Demolish 40, 5 <sup>th</sup> ARVN Regt, time 1530H. 110,000 square meters cleared, 600 meters trench destroyed, 400 meters tunnel destroyed, 12 bunkers destroyed. 1 VC KIA.
37	1605		196 <sup>th</sup> , 569MID, time 1300H, vic 858187. Obs cart tracks coming out of woods and crossing stream.
38	1615		3/1, B/1/9, time 1156H, vic 957292. Obs 2 military age males in black PJs with web gear, both in hiding. Eng'd with Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
39	1701		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 1555H, vic BT351373. Obs 1 VC in black PJ and wpn. Eng'd with res of 1 VC KIA (c). Checked out area and didn't find wpn.
40	1702		196 <sup>th</sup> , B/4/31, Time 1630H, vic AT985204. Found and destroyed 3 tunnels.
41	1743		3/1, B/1/9, time 1705H, vic 236434. Eng'd 2 VC in blue shirt and packs, one was trying to hide a pack under his shirt. Eng'd with res of 2 VC KIA (c).
42	1745		Ref Journal entry #67 date 16 Dec. Possible mortaring of B/1/46. A crater analysis was conducted and it was determined that it was either 81 or 82 mm mortar rds. 3 craters were found outside of perimeter. Also found 24 AK47 expended rds. 2 mortar fins picked up near craters. Estimate firing came from 1000 meters SW of B/1/46 location.
43	1800		196, C/7/17 at 1219H vic AT319279. Obs'd 1 VC in green shirt and black pants, web gear and wpn. Eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
44	1900		196, LRRP at 1615H vic AT931219 obs'd bunker in area – air strike requested. Results: 1 secondary explosion, 2 structures destroyed, fighter received ground fire. At 1815H FAC received ground fire. 1820H LRRP heard movement all around position. The LRRP was extracted 1853H. During extraction gunship received SA fire vic BT934212. The Bde will fire H & I fire tonight.
45	1910		198, OP #7/1/6 at 1901H vic BT5777961 received sniper fire, 3 or 4 rds. OP is returning fire and 2 tracks are moving in to check area.
46	1915		Rec'd call from Sgt Alexander, QUANG NGAI. ARVN will conduct an operation from 180700H – 182100H Dec 67 in area bounded by BS5577-BS5572-BS6172-BS6376.
47	1955		Weathe effects report sent to III MAF.
48	2055		Rec'd call fr 3/4 that they will have 24 vehicle convoy tomorrow going to QUI NHON. Convoy will depart at 0900H.
49	2115		Ref convoy that was coming fr QUI NHON to DUC PHO. Closed at 1823H. There were 75 vehicles.
50	2010		198, E/1/46 at 1949H vic BT275116 amb ptl eng'd 1 VC, res 1 VC KIA (c).
51	2120		CAG, SK-5 at 2045H vic BT413115 heard noise coming toward amb. PFs said it was VC. Eng'd. Res: 1 old man and 1 young girl KIA.
52	2120		CAG, CL-5 at 2120 vic BS712973 rec'd 1 HG. Men on bunker spotted 1 man outside wire and 1 flashing light (Hill 40). Opened fire w 300 rds 50 cal, 100 rds 5.56, 10 rds M-79, and 400 rds 7.62. Called illum for Hill 40 and checked psn where man was in wire. Neg. Res: 1 KIA (p).
53	2200		3/18 at 1700H vic BS465880, 100 VC seen by villagers in green unifs. VC carrying carbines and M-1s and are camping at this loc.
54	2200		LZ Edwards at 2200H vic BT022288, enemy ran up and fire unk # of rds 60mm mortar w/no ground attack. Req fire on suspected mortar psns. 3/1 fired 6 rds at 2230H. Neg assessment on damage or results.
55	2400		Opn WHEELER/WALLAWA cont'd in the Que Son valley and adjacent high ground w/2 Bdes continuing S&D opns in zone. 3/1 – D/1/7 extracted to LZ Baldy, closing at 1248H. 5/7 CA'd B, C, and D Co's into cold LZs at BT142392, BT140140, and BT135405. All LZs were cold. C/2/12 CA'd vic AT998334. All other co's conducted security and S&D opns in zone. In 196 <sup>th</sup> AO, all co's conducted S&D opns in zone. Total casualties for the day were: 30 VC KIA, 6 IW. No US casualties.
56	2400		JOURNAL CLOSED

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1	0001		JOURNAL OPENED
2	0015		Received call from Col Musser. He stated he had received Defense Plan from 3/1, Subject: "Defense of LZ Baldy" which was distributed unclassified. Checked with 3/1 and they said it should be classified as CONFIDENTIAL. 3/1 will notify all persons on their distribution to classify document and to safeguard all copies.
3	0150		3/4, C/2/35 at 0138H vic BS775585, EM coming in from night location shot himself in the foot. Medics called. Minor wound.
4	0815		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, vic AT896244, time 0745. Obs 1 VC in black PJs taking evasive action. Eng'd 1 VC KIA (c).
5	0815		3/1, D/1/7 at 0743H completed CA into two locations, vic BT122411 and BT122340, both LZs cold.
6	0935		198 <sup>th</sup> , C/1/52, time 0905H, vic BT663008. Spotted 3 men. 2 armed with M79, and the other with M1 & M14. Spotted them 100 to 150 meters. Eng'd. Still pursuing them. MTF
7	0945		198 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/6, time 0920H, vic BS466896. Eng'd 5 VC N & E. Res: 2 VC KIA (c) and 2 M1 rifles. Called in gunships to get other 3. Still pursuing. MTF
8	1000		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 0800H, vic AT908249. Obs a new foot bridge across stream.
9	1000		196 – FAC, time 0940H, vic BT115346. Obs many military age males in area. C/7/17 is going to check it out.
10	1008		3/4, 63 <sup>rd</sup> Trans, time 0914H, vic BS874311. 2 1/2 or 5 ton hit a mine and 1 friendly WHA and 1 friendly KHA (c).
11	1019		Ref to Journal entry #10. Road cleared at 0850 and the mine was probably command detonated.
12	1022		Ref to Journal entry #9. 196 – FAC the military age males were checked out by C/7/17 and they were between 10-12 yrs and they just let them go.
13	1025		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/1, time 1015H, vic 303353. Rec'd 3 to 4 rds SA fire. Didn't return fire, they couldn't pinpoint where fire was coming from. They are out checking the area.
14	1045		Ref to Journal entry #10 & #11. Road is clear and passable. There were two culverts blown. It was a 5 ton truck with 105mm ammo. It caught fire but they put it out and the ammo was not blown up.
15	1120		III MAF COC daily maneuver report of maneuver battalions submitted.
16	1125		196 <sup>th</sup> , D/3/21, time 1120H, vic 096276. Found 50 rds of 7.62. Will be evacuated.
17	1210		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/3/21, time 1120H, vic BT013213. Obs 2 VC digging in an open field. Eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA (c). The dead VC was wearing a fatigue jacket, 2 M26 HG, 1 flashlight, and 2 first aid packs. In the area, there were approx 30 holes 6" deep 6" wide dug at a 45 degree angle. At the bottom of each hole there was another hole parallel to the ground about the size of a pencil. There was no definite pattern to the holes. MID will check out the area.
18	1218		196 <sup>th</sup> , 3/82 Arty, time 172110, vic BT217313. Registered a defcon vic BT217313 and thought that they had a secondary explosion. This morning the IFW team checked the area and found out that 2 VN Civ had been injured and that they had been evacuated to the hospital. There was no sign of a secondary explosion.
19	1217		196 <sup>th</sup> , S5, time 1200H, vic BT280301. Village chief reported a tunnel was located at the above coord and that 12 VC were living inside. C/7/17 Cav will go and check the area.
20	1310		196 <sup>th</sup> , B/4/31, Time 1245H, vic AT972207. Obs 1 VC with pack. Ducked into the bushes before they could fire. Checked out area and found 1 VC pack containing a small amount of documents, cleaning equipment, and assorted clothing.
21	1328		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/1, time 1318H, vic 335315. Rec'd AW fire. Res: 4 US WHA. MTF
22	1335		1 AC requests AO extension for purpose of aerial recon for period 190600H – 191800H. From BS667310 E on 31 GL to 8031, S on 80 GL to BS800236. 3/4 approved.
23	1500		3/1, Scouts 3/1, time 0830H vic BT100545. Rec'd gunfire, spotted 5 to 10 VC in bunker. ARA eng'd. Res: 3 VC KIA (c).
24	1504		3/4 – 1 <sup>st</sup> Cav rec'd approval for AO extension in the southern portion of their AO.
25	1650		198 <sup>th</sup> , Recon E/1/46, time 1415H, vic BT288084. Rec'd sniper fire. A Sgt Kirany was wounded in leg slightly. He was medivaced. Res: 1 WHA (minor).
26	1700		Ref to Journal entry #13. A/1/1 at 1651 at Coord 333314 to 333315 they found numerous foxholes, in one hole they found 1 enemy KIA. It was an NVA dressed in a tan uniform with 1 AK47 and 1 piece of paper. Don't know what the paper was. SN of AK47 is 10059824.
27	1725		Rec'd word fr SFC Gynn (Avn) that a chopper was down at 428123. Called 198 <sup>th</sup> and informed them to send someone to secure the chopper. This is as a result of engine failure.
28	1754		198, E/1/46 at 1658H vic BT2910, found 2 IW, 1xChicom carbine, type 53; 1x1903 Springfield rifle. Exact coords and SNs to follow.
29	1820		3/1, C/2/12, time 1520H, vic BT000340, obs 1 NVA evading. Eng'd and killed. Res: 1 NVA KIA.

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1	0001		JOURNAL OPENED
2	0500		1/7 started moving at following times: A Co – 0312H, B Co – 0240H, D Co – 0426H.
3	0500		FireFly mission made two runs. One at 2030H to vic BT248412. Rec'd SA/AW fire and sank 25 sampans. Another run at 2200H to vic BT189435. Sank 47 sampans. Went further S on river and sank 7 sampans.
4	0700		1 <sup>st</sup> MAR Div AO extension, after being cleared thru them, was cleared politically by HOI AN.
5	0800		198 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/6, time 182145H, vic BS465893. In ref to VC probing actions against A/1/6 Inf last night, this morning while searching area at BS465893 they found 3 VC KIA (c), with no wpns and they were killed by Claymore fragments. They still continue to search area.
6	0840		196 <sup>th</sup> , D/2/1, time 0815H, vic BT114311. Detained 1 VN female and daughter. Her husband is information leader. She gave list of 5 names, all VC squad leaders. She and her daughter will be detained. Names will be checked.
7	0845		198 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/46 CA vic BT465142, first lift TD 0813, 2 <sup>nd</sup> lift TD 0822. Cold LZ.
8	0907		196, C/7/17, time 0815, vic BT021210. Det 2 females and 1 child.
9	0935		3/1, Bde Scouts, time 0730H, vic 253387. From Bde Scouts, confirmed they engaged 1 VC with res: 1 VC KIA (c) at coord 257383. ARA 2/20 eng'd 5 NVA evading in bunker. Res: bunker destroyed and 5 NVA KIA (c). They also killed 1 VC last night (c). Total is ARA 2/20 – 5 NVA KIA (c), 1 VC KIA (c), and Bde Scouts 1 VC KIA (c).
10	0936		3/1, B/1/9, time 0830H, vic BT102472. Picked up 2xdetainee and are being sent to Baldy. Also eng'd 1 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
11	0937		3/1, C/5/7, time 0730H, vic BT113365. Eng'd 1 VC evading along river bank. Res: 1 VC KIA (c), and CIA (possible VC). He had no ID so they are bringing him in for questioning.
12	0938		3/1, B/1/9, time 0900H, vic BT000358. Eng'd 4 VC. Res: 4 VC KIA (c).
13	1000		3/1, A/2/12, secure move LZ Ross to LZ Leslie complete 0835H.
14	1038		Cpt Johnson, Quang Ngai 196 <sup>th</sup> , Time Unk, vic BS745515. US truck struck. Need medivac. 1 US WHA, seen by aircraft. Check with 3/4 1041H, will call back confirmation. 1053H, 3/4 said 5 ton truck had hit mine vic BS743520. 1 WHA, 2 shaken up. MTF
15	1100		196 <sup>th</sup> , 27 <sup>th</sup> Chem, time 1050H, vic AT873172. CS drop had secondary explosion.
16	1115		3/4, B/19 Engr, Ref to Journal entry #14. Truck was from B Co, 19 <sup>th</sup> Engr. Road is open. 1 WHA (evac), 1 WHA (minor).
17	1120		III MAF daily report on maneuver battalions submitted.
18	1305		3/1, B/1/9, time 0930H, vic AT999358, spotted 2 mil age males evading. Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
19	1305		3/1, B/1/9, time 1130H, vic BT209459. Eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
20	1305		3/1, B/19, time 1217H, vic BT197456. Obs 4 mil age males evading. Res: 4 VC KIA (c).
21	1305		3/1, B/1/9, time 1225H, vic BT198454. Spotted 4 mil age males dressed in green unif. Res: 4 NVA KIA (c).
22	1330		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 1405H, vic 205234 & 205205. Acft rec'd fire. Rtn fire. Res: unk. At 1407 fr 205234, rec'd AW fire and rtn fire. Res: unk.
23	1500		TAM KY: ARVNS will be conducting an S & D operation along the coast on 20 Dec 67.
24	1505		DELAYED REPORT: 196, 3/21 at 171300H vic BT032248. Had a Hoi Chanh turn himself in to Nui Loc Son. Knows location of 5 weapons. C/3/21 will check out.
25	1510		3/4, D/5/7 at 1235H vic BT090345, eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
26	1511		3/4, B/1/9, at 1314H, vic BT195436, obs'd 2 VC playing dead. Eng'd. Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
27	1512		3/1, Bde Scouts at 1115H, vic BT099366, eng'd 2 VC evading. Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
28	1640		198, A/1/6 at 1555H, vic BS465894. Eng'd 3 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c), and 3 US WHA (evac).
29	1655		196, D/3/21, at 1558H, vic BT075276. 2 US WHA by booby trap. Res: 1 WHA (minor), 1 WHA (evac).
30	1742		39 <sup>th</sup> Engr, C Co, at 1600H vic BS728556, VN children turned in 4x90mm, 2x105mm, and 3x79mm rds to C Co. Rounds were blown in place.
31	1800		3/1, A/1/35, at 1500H vic B T193464. Eng'd 2 VC at the entrance to tunnel. Res: 3 VC KIA (c).
32	1801		3/1, A/1/35, at 1500H, eng'd 1 VC vic BT192465. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
33	1802		3/1, B/1/9, at 1545H, vic AT960314. Obs'd 4 VC trying to hide. Eng'd. Res: 4 VC KIA (c).

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1	0001		JOURNAL OPENED
2	0455		Convoy Movement: ALC – DPTR: 0900H, ETA: 1100H. FM: QUANG NGAI TO CHU LAI. SCTY: plt. CARGO: food, ammo, POL. 20 veh's.
3	0455		Convoy Movement: QUANT TIN Sector: DPTR: 0900H, ETA: 1100H. FM TAM KY TO CHU LAI. SCTUY: plt CARGO: food, ammo, POL. 20 veh's.
4	0500		198 MP Tower at 2130H vic BT495076 saw sampans approx 1000 meters away. Fired on them and rec'd SA fire (6 rds). Neg res.
5	0500		198 MP boats at 0200H vic BT495083 spotted 2 sampans approx 200 meters away and eng'd w/neg res.
6	0530		198, C/1/46, at 0515H vic BT447053 while in amb psn, rec'd 2 HGs and AW fire. Res: 3 WHA (evac). Rest of ptrl is searching LZ for Medevac. Chopper will illum fr Arty.
7	0740		3/4, Rcn/1/14 completed touchdown on CA at 0724H vic BS832288. LZ cold.
8	0730		196 <sup>th</sup> , F/17 Cav, time 2134H, vic BT343295. Ref to Journal entry #41, 19 Dec 67. 2 possible KIA, change to 2 KIA (c).
9	0830		9 <sup>th</sup> Engr, A/9 Engr, time 0800H, vic BT444096. 1 banner stretched across road at above coord. Was booby trapped with M-26 grenade on pole. Action taken. Disarmed and picked up pamphlets, one VC flag & banner.
10	0845		39 <sup>th</sup> Engr, C Co, time 0800H, vic BS732546. VN child turned in 3 M79 rds. Destroyed in place.
11	0915		B/2/12, time 0830H, CA completed. #1 at 0901, PZ Ross LZ AT985329. It was cold.
12	0935		3/4, A/1/14, time 0900H, vic BS844307. Eng'd 4 VC in tunnel. Res: 1 VC KIA (c), 3 VC CIA.
13	0943		39 <sup>th</sup> Engr, 26, Eng Bn, time 0900H, vic BT546058. Found 1 HG loc at east end of runway. Destroyed.
14	0955		3/1, D/2/12, completed CA vic AT980340 at 0945H. LZ was cold.
15	1015		39 <sup>th</sup> Engr, C Co, time 0945H, vic BS734527. 5 VN children turned in 1 155mm rd. Destroyed in place.
16	1017		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/1, time 1010H, vic 307287. Rec'd 4-5 rds SA fire. Returned fire. Checking area.
17	1032		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/3/21, time 1020H, vic 037268. Detained one individual hiding in brush, had assorted documents & carrying a K-Bar.
18	1035		The mine sweep team for op Holly is complete. Sgt West from the Americal Engr.
19	1105		3/1, CA, C/5/7 completed at 1059H. LZ vic BT002370. LZ was cold.
20		1130	III MAF COC – Daily Report of Maneuver Battalions submitted.
21	1124		3/1, B/1/7 at 0730H vic BT110415, engaged 2 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA (c), 1 WIA/CIA (evac).
22	1124		3/1, B/1/35 at 0750H vic BT169464, found 1 VC KIA by booby trap. Approx 30 yrs of age, no ID. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
23		1145	Called 11 <sup>th</sup> Bde ref convoy moving North. ETA is 1300H, convoy moving okay as reported by Bde CG.
24	1215		D/2/35 (198 <sup>th</sup> ) completed CA at 0830H vic BS566878. LZ was cold.
25	1216		B/5/7 at 1149H completed CA vic 015376. LZ was cold.
26	1245		196 <sup>th</sup> , LRRP TODDY inserted at 1235H.
27	1400		3/1, B/1/9 at 1335H vic BT013312, observed and engaged 2 mil age males evading. Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
28	1450		Notifield by Maj Campbell, S2, 3/4 Bde, that challenge and password from the 17 Dec to 1200H on 23 Dec has been lost and is considered compromised. Requested III MAF for permission to use alternate code.
29	1520		196, D/2/1, at 1244H vic BT114305, found 1 ton of rice. Will be evac to THANG BINH.
30	1540		3/4, reported on H23 helicopter from Divarty down vic BS704615, mechanical failure. Gunships securing area. MTF
31	1600		Cpt Clark from the 11 <sup>th</sup> Bde called and said that 256 vehicles closed Carentan 2011500H Dec. On 21 Dec, 141 vehicles plus escort will make return convoy to QN.
32	1605		C/39, time 1530H, vic BS728556. 1 VN turned over two 90mm rds. Blew in place.
33	1710		3/1, B/1/9 at 1335H vic BT013312 eng'd 3 VC evading. Res: 3 VC KIA (c).
34	1711		3/1, B/1/9 at 1645H vic BT014415, eng'd 2 VC evading with packs of rice. Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
35	1712		3/1, B/1/9 at 1700H vic BT104425, eng'd 2 VC. Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
36	1730		3/1, B/1/9, time 1345H, vic BT000304, eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
37	1910		3/4, time 1830, LRRP team #6 inserted 1830 vic BS839420, heliborne insertion. No time of extraction known at this time.

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1	0001		JOURNAL OPENED
2	0235		198, MP Plt at 0230H vic BT454132 eng'd 1 sampan. Res: 1 VC KIA (c), 1 VC CIA.
3	0300		3/1 fr Duty Officer. Since we are not sure of AO extension to NE of your boundary, any operation in that area will be cleared for troops by C3 Americal. Any firing by arty will be cleared by Amcal FSE.
4	0345		Call fr 1 <sup>st</sup> ACD (Cpt Browning). They sent a msg on courier flight fr Nha Trang to us, CITE #F12-20299, (c), wanted to know if we rec'd it. Answered neg. Subject is classified so checked w/AG. Classified and they are not in receipt of it either.
5	0730		Convoy Movement. Adv Log Cmd. DPTR: 0900H, ETA: 1100H. FM: Quang Ngai. TO: Chu Lai. SCTY: plt. CARGO: food, ammo, POL, 10 veh's.
6	0707		196 <sup>th</sup> , D/4/31, time 0615H, spotted 3 VC heading W 200 ft away. Eng'd small arms, automatic weapons, believe to have wounded one, checking area.
7	0915		198 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/52, time 0850H, vic BS691945. Plt receiving hvy SA & AW fire f rest 30 man VC element. Contact broken, VC fleeing SW. 2 plt in pursuit. Neg casualties at this time. MTF
8	0916		198 <sup>th</sup> , ARVN, time 0825H, vic BS613834. ARVN unit working w/2/35 Inf rec'd SA, AW & mortar fire, est to be from BS603838, BS600833, BS602822. Contact broken. Res: 1 ARVN WHA (evac).
9	0930		196 <sup>th</sup> , F/17, time 0928H, vic 277283. Rec'd SA fire from village. Res: 1 US WHA (evac). Returning fire.
10	0930		To 198 <sup>th</sup> , in ref to Journal entry #7. Passed request to Sgt Lincoln Chung Yung 0930. Request approved by LTC Lee, 2 <sup>nd</sup> ROK Mar S-3. (Call fr Sgt Lincoln)
11	1000		3/1, 2/20, time 0855H, vic AT003322. Eng'd 2 VC in green uniforms. Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
12	1000		3/1, called and said this is a late entry fr last night. B/1/35, time 201900H, vic BT187441. Obs 5 indiv while setting up ambush. Eng'd 1 VC KIA (c), the other 4 got away.
13	1005		196 <sup>th</sup> , vic BT297283. Ref to spot rep 9. 1 plt F/17 added, Inf plt C 7/17 inserted 1 plt 2-1 on 45 minutes alert, enemy est to be 4 or 5 VC w/AW. Will attempt to take prisoner.
14	1014		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/3/21, time 0930H, vic BT016216, found 3 82mm mortar rds (Chicom), good condition, will be evac.
15	1015		196 <sup>th</sup> , LRRP TODDY, time 0955H, vic AT933284. Obs'd 5 indiv blk PJs taking unk objects out of boxes and placing them in ground.
16	1043		196, F/17 at 1025H vic BT276278, obs'd 1 indiv in black PJs run out of village. Refused to halt. Eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
17	1130		196, C/3/21 at 1040H vic BT028239 found assorted medical supplies for approx 100 men, also found some NVA uniforms. Will evacuate.
18	1300		3/1, B/1/9, at 1225H vic BT083495 obs'd 1 mil age male in black PJs. Eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
19	1323		196, C/7/17, at 1142H vic BT276273. Obs'd 1 VC hiding in weeds evading acft. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
20	1324		196, F/17 at 1300H vic BT279285. Obs'd 1 VC hiding in bunker. Eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
21	1325		196, B/3/21 at 1300H vic BT057296, obs'd 1 VN male running 150 meters east w/HG. Eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
22	1326		196, B/3/21 at 1130H vic BT057297. Found 4500 lbs of rice which was turned over to Nui Loc Son refugee center.
23	1320		Tam Ky requests clearance of an AO vic BT283267 to BT287265 to BT286269 to BT290270 for the period 220200 to 220400H. Purpose to conduct an RF raid.
24	1400		196, FAC at 1340H vic BT298377 obs'd 5 sampans when acft flew over area. The sampans headed out to sea. Rquest swiftboats.
25	1514		196 <sup>th</sup> , B/3/21, time 1240H, vic BT044273. 2 US WHA from booby trap HG. (evac)
26	1430		196 <sup>th</sup> , vic 283374, A/1/1, crossing river APC sunk, 4 rescued, and don't know how many more in track. 2 US MHA northern port of AO Neptune. Notified NSAD who sent 3 divers. MTF
27	1600		39 Engr, C Co, time 1145H, vic BS728556. VN children turned in 3 M79 rds. Blown in place.
28	1630		Ref to Journal entry #26. 196 <sup>th</sup> , 1 KHA and 1 MHA, it is change from the 2 MHA.
29	1644		196, B/3/21, at 1240H vic BT044273, 2 US WHA fr booby trapped HG. DELETE ERRONEOUS ENTRY
30	1650		Ref to Journal entry #26 and #28, 196 <sup>th</sup> . 2 KHA is a change fr 1 KHA and 1 MHA.
31	1712		196, A/1/1, at 1705H vic BT303365. An estimated VC platoon is pinned down. Have requested 7/17 and firebirds for support. MTF
32	1720		3/4, A/39 <sup>th</sup> Eng at 1445H, vic BT082390, discovered 250 lb bomb during mine sweep. Blew in place.
33	1730		Ref to Journal entry #31, 196, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Plt A/2/1 CA in support. MTF

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34	1735		196, LRRP TODDY at 1715H vic AT933284 obs'd 12 indiv run into woods when FAC flew over. Calling in arty. MTF
35	1735		3/1, B/1/9, time 1445H, vic AT987317. Obs 2 mil age males in blk PJs & sandals. Eng'd with res: 2 VC KIA (c).
36	1735		3/1, D/1/7 at 1430H vic BT070455 eng'd 1 indiv wearing black PJs. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
37	1804		196, C/7/17 at 1745H, vic BT301336, obs'd and eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
38	1805		196, C/7/17 at 1715H, vic BT305365, obs'd and eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c) and 18 hootches.
39	1910		3/4, - R/1/14 at 1645H vic B S837287 found 1 VC KIA (c) by arty.
40	1954		198 <sup>th</sup> , D/2/35, time 1220H, vic B S565877. Had one indiv step on one mine. Res: 1 WHA (evac).
41	1915		198 <sup>th</sup> , R/2/35, time 1641H, vic BS565877. Had one indiv step on mine. Res: 1 US WHA (evac).
42	1925		196 <sup>th</sup> , B/2/1, time 1845H, vic BT190310. Rec'd unk no. of sniper rds. Res: 1 US WHA (evac). MTF
43	1926		196 <sup>th</sup> F/17, time 1618H, vic 275273. Found heavy blood trail. Res: Neg.
44	1927		196 <sup>th</sup> , Recon/3/21, time 1755H, vic BT069262. Obs'd 6 males & 6 females in open. 1 male had a claymore bag and dressed in stateside fatigues.
45	1950		C Co, 39 <sup>th</sup> Engr, had 1 VN turn in 1 ea 155mm rd and 1 M79 rd. Incident happened at 1730H vic BS732546.
46	1950		DELAYED – 196, A/1/1, at 210325H vic BT293373. Being probed by 2 sqds of VC. They have approx 12-16 bodies outside of perimeter. Firing illum.
47	2000		Maj Einn called fr III MAF COC w/info that on 192200H, 4 rds of 105 arty fell in village in Que Son vic BT033353 killing 2 civ's and wounding 1. Info given to S2, 2/12 <sup>th</sup> . S5 3d Bde will make payment. III MAF wants a spot report & investigation. Turned over to FSE.
48	2030		Rec'd call fr LNO, 2 <sup>nd</sup> ROK as to who, what, and when PFs will take over 3 <sup>rd</sup> Bns base camp. ROKs are leaving. Checked Quang Ngai & 198 <sup>th</sup> w/neg results. 198 <sup>th</sup> Day Officer stated that PF advisor will call Chung Yung in morning.
49	2030		196, C/7/17 at 1800H vic BT307373, obs & eng'd 2 VC w/wpns in sampan. Res: 2 KIA (c), 1 sampan destroyed.
50	2030		CAG K-5 at 1900H, vic BT403114 sprung amb, res 1 VC KIA (c), 1 carbine, 1 pack, and 1 helmet. Believe there are 10-15 more VC in area. Patrols on way back to CP w/body and equip. Called arty. Will move into area when arty stops.
51	2055		196, A/1/1, vic BT296365 at 2040H fd 2 grenades, not BT'd, dest in place.
52	2245		Rec'd call fr 1 <sup>st</sup> ACD w/question on rotation of 2/12 <sup>th</sup> . Notified LTC Kelly.
53	2300		3/1, 2/12 at 2220H vic AT968308, spotted est VC plt to W and eng'd w/arty. Movement stopped. Unit using starlite scope. Est 10 KIAs. Will check in morning.
54	2315		Called 1 <sup>st</sup> ACD and notified them (ref #52). A decision would be made in morning 22 Dec after LTC Kelly receives guidance fr CG.
55	2330		CPT Parker called by LTC Lee (S3, 2 <sup>nd</sup> ROK Bde) who said 1 <sup>st</sup> ROK Inf scheduled to move by helo tomorrow. Problem is that ROK arty move by LST was supposed to leave today – delayed until tomorrow so won't arrive until 23 Dec. LTC Lee req msg be passed to Col Randall (III MAF) req Marine arty to remain in place to cover ROK Bn until ROK arty arrives probably on 23 Dec. Req passed to Maj Cooper, III MAF COC.
56	2340		3/4 called w/info that they would send a convoy fr Duc Pho to Chu Lai starting 1100H 22 Dec w/7 veh's. Will notify TO in morning.
57	2340		3/4, 2/35 at 2300H "Cloudy" leaving 2/35 area to Chu Lai w/7 veh's.
58	2400		Ref item #55. USMC Arty Spt will be provided pending arrival of ROK Mar Arty. Assume ROK arty will close and be in position NLT 24 Dec. Passed to Chung Yung.
59	2400		Opn WHEELER/WALLAWA cont'd w/light contact. In 3/1 AO cont'd S&D opns in zone. 5/7 <sup>th</sup> cont'd S&D opns in zone and air moved A Co fr LZ Colt to C Co's loc at BT002370. In turn, moved C Co to LZ Colt. 2/12 <sup>th</sup> cont'd local S&D opns vic LZs and CA'd 2 plts D Co vic AT210737 and S&D. 1/35 <sup>th</sup> cont'd S&D in zone. 196 <sup>th</sup> cont'd S&D opns within AO w/emphasis on night opns. A/1/1, while conducting S&D opns BT283374, had APC sink, res 2 NBK. AT 1700H, A/1/1 eng'd est VC/NVA plt. A/2/1 CA'd into area of contact at 1824H. Contact broken approx 1830H, res as of close of period unk. Final results for period: 13 VC KIA (c), 1 IW, 5 WHA (evac).
60	2400		JOURNAL CLOSED

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1	0001		JOURNAL OPENED
2	0003		CAG HQ K-5 at 212120H, 2 VH civilians brought to compound (1 male, 1 female). Male seriously wounded in chest. Female wounded in leg.
3	0130		CAG HQ K-5 at 211750H vic BT416123. Rec'd 4 incoming mtr/grenade rds, enemy pos unk. PF returning fr ptl will check area.
4	0400		196, A/1/1, at 0320H vic BT293373 eng'd 1 VC trying to prob perimeter. Res: 1 VC KIA (p). Will check area in morning. Later checking of area revealed 12-16 bodies.
5	0955		Gen Johnson departed 11 <sup>th</sup> Bde 0950H.
6	1000		Ref AO extension request fr 3/1, clarified purpose for request: 3/1 will survey the area with scouts and gunships. If something is in the area, they will put in a suitable force. Their intelligence indicates enemy movement through the area.
7	0950		Telecon from III MAF: Dud Bomb Report, 1 D-2, M904 fuse, Coord BS715883 at 212140H.
8	1015		11, C/1/20, at 0510H vic BS869362, patrol obs 1 VN female evading. Failed to halt, patrol engaged. Res: 1 VC KIA (c), 1 HG and small amount of medical supplies CIA. At 0850H, same patrol detained 11 individuals, evac to 3/4.
9	1030		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/1, ref Journal entry #4, total is now 4 VC KIA (c), 3 NVA KIA (c).
10	1100		Rec'd call fr Div Engr. 39 <sup>th</sup> Engr has completed their sweep. Highway is clear.
11	1125		B/1/9 at 0830H vic BT047406, eng'd and killed 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
12	1126		B/1/9 at 1015H, vic BT053397, eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c). VC was wearing pack.
13	1127		B/1/9 at 0905H, vic AT996323 eng'd 2 VC who were wearing packs. Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
14	1128		B/1/9 at 0930H, vic AT988344, eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
15	1129		B/2/12 at 1110H, vic BT003340, rec'd AW fire. Returned fire. Res: 1 US WHA (evac), 1 VC KIA (c).
16	1130		39 <sup>th</sup> Engr, Co C, at 0840H, vic BS728556, found 1xM79 round, destroyed in place.
17	1131		39 <sup>th</sup> Engr, Co D, at 0758H, vic BT137442, found hand grenade on MSR, not booby trapped, blew in place.
18	1145		198, B/2/35, at 1015H, vic BS557823, rec'd AW fire from SW. Maneuvering into position now, gunships on standby.
19	1145		196, A/1/1, ref Journal entries #4 & #9, found 1 VC KIA (c). Results now 5 VC KIA (c), 3 NVA KIA (c).
20	1151		3/4, C/1/14 at 1055H, vic BS799482, had 2 men wounded by BT HG. Res: 2 WHA (evac).
21	1205		9 <sup>th</sup> Engr at 0930H, vic BT280263, obs'd a VN boy throwing an M26 HG into a rice paddy. HG was found and blown in place. Boy got away.
22	1254		196, A/1/1, at 1120H, vic BT301370, found and dest 1 82mm mortar rd.
23	1255		196, F/17 at 1135H, vic BT165330, detained 6 indiv taking evasive action. 1 indiv had gunshot wound in stomach (evac).
24	1300		Reference Journal entry #15, add 1 VC KIA (c). Total res: 1 US WHA (evac), 2 VC KIA (c).
25	1310		III MAF, I CTZ Engr reports that bridge on Hwy #1 vic BT052591 is being replaced by a culvert. Traffic will be restricted to one lane until late PM 23 Dec 67.
26	1310		198, E/1/6, at 1225H, vic BS526963 rec'd 3-4 rds sniper fire. C&C ship sent to search area. Neg results.
27	1311		198, C&C acft/1/6 at 1230H vic B S530964. Acft rec'd several rds SA fire. 1 possible hit. Observed white star cluster. Friendly did not fire flare. Hawk flight sent in. Reaction forces alerted.
28	1330		CAG, CAP L-6 at 0800H, vic BS572938 reported 60 VC in Chau Ti 5 now in Pau Le 2 – went to all surrounding hamlets of L-6 – told people to go to Binh – from PF leader. No evaluation.
29	340		A/39 <sup>th</sup> Engr at 1140H vic BT099412 found a live CS grenade during mine sweep. Not booby trapped. Destroyed.
30	1400		196, B/4/31 at 1305H, vic AT961242, found numerous spider holes & tunnels and 1 Zip gun, cal 5.56. Tunnels destroyed, zip gun evac.
31	1410		3/1, B/2/12, at 1101H vic BT002340 eng'd 3 en. Res: 2 VC KIA (c) & 2 AK47 SN 10089771, 9469264. 1 US WHA (minor).
32	1415		3/4, B/2/35 at 1330H vic BS559834 reports in contact w/unk size force. Gunships in air at this time. Res: 1 US WHA (not firm).
33	1422		Ref Journal entry #32, contact broken at 1408H. Checking area. MTF
34	1450		A/39 <sup>th</sup> Engr at 1320YH vic BT082398 found tunnel & bunker containing 2000 lbs rice. Rice evac to LZ Baldy. Bunker destroyed.

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35	1506		196, C/7/17 at 1500H vic BT287366, eng'd & dest one sampan (camouflaged).
36	1510		Ref Journal entry #34. Change to read 4000 lbs.
37	1511		3/1, Bde Scouts at 1330H vic BT207466 rec'd AW fire, pilot rec'd minor wound. At same location at 1445H, FAC rec'd AW fire. Putting in airstrike at this time.
38	1540		196, C/7/17 at 1537H vic BT292363, eng'd and destroyed 5 camouflaged sampans.
39	1555		Ref Journal entries #15 & #24, delete as erroneous entries.
40	1600		198, B/2/35 at 1335H vic unk, captured 3 tons of rice. Will evac.
41	1630		Ref Journal entry #32, while checking area a total of 7 weapons were found: 3 M1 carbine, 3 M1 rifles, 1 BAR, and 3 VC KIA (c).
42	1640		3/1, D/2/12 at 1515H vic 988338, spotted 2 people evading, 1 male and 1 female. Eng'd. 1 VC KIA (c), and 1 VC WIA/CIA.
43	1745		198, A/1/52 at 1715H vic BS693956, obs'd 1 VN evading, refused to halt. Eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA.
44	1800		198, B/2/35 at 1600H vic BS557825, in closing night location found 2 VC KIA (c) by gunship. Gunship reported 1 VC eng'd at BS545834. B/2/35 checked area enroute to night location, found 1 VC KIA (c) for total of 3 VC KIA (c).
45	1805		C/39 <sup>th</sup> Engr at 1545H vic BS728556 reported that a VN turned in 1x90mm and 1x105mm rounds. Were blown in place.
46	1806		A/39 <sup>th</sup> Engr at 1645H vic BT068383 detained 1 VC suspect with no ID card. Turned over to MPs at LZ Baldy.
47	1824		3/1, A/2/12 at 1810H vic AT975325, spotted 1 platoon of NVA. Engaging with arty and 50 cal. Neg assessment.
48	1930		196, B/3/21 at 1705H vic BT058298, received sniper fire. C/7/17 checked area out, destroyed one bunker w/rocket fire, snatched one detainee. Evac to CP.
49	1930		196, A/2/1 at 1921H vic BT310358, observed one individual fleeing from patrol, engaged. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
50		1945	Weather Effects Report sent to III MAF
51	2000		198, C/2/35 at 1820H vic BS547831 and BS559836, engaged and killed 2 VC.
52	2000		39 <sup>th</sup> Engr, C Co at 1800H vic BS728556, VN found 7xM-79 rds, 1x90mm rd, 1x105mm rd, and 1x60mm rd. All destroyed.
53	2115		Ref Journal entry #15. 1 WHA (evac) should read 1 KHA.
54	2300		DAO, 176 <sup>th</sup> Avn at 2135H vic BS565962-BT528118. Reports they lost a rocket pod for 7 rockets armed between preceding coordinates. Normally fly around airfield.
55	2400		3/4, MF at 2355H vic BS920268 obs 6 incoming arty rds about 700 meters outside their perimeter. 3/4 checked all their units and no one fired. FSE now checking. MTF
56	2400		Opn WHEELER/WALLAWA cont'd with light contact. In the 3/1 <sup>st</sup> AO, 1/7 cont'd S&D opns. One plt of B Co CA'd vic BT042414 for S&D while A Co CA'd at 0800H vic BT060411 and S&D. D Co working with 35 <sup>th</sup> NPFF, conducted cordon and search opns vic BT0544. C Co CA at 1517H vic BT061426 and S&D. 5/7 <sup>th</sup> cont'd S&D opns N of LZ Ross. 2/12 <sup>th</sup> cont'd S&D opns in zone. C Co CA at 0904H vic AT985353 and S&D E. 1/35 <sup>th</sup> cont'd S&D opns E of LZ Baldy. In the 196 <sup>th</sup> AO, A/2/1 conducted CA vic BT330375 to assist elements of A/1/1 in opn on the coast. B Co cordoned and searched a village at BT194296. 3/21 <sup>st</sup> cont'd S&D opns in zone as did 4/31 <sup>st</sup> . Totals for the day for WHEELER/WALLAWA were 14 VC KIA (c), 3 NVA KIA (c), 3 IW, 1 KHA. Significant event: 1 plt of A/1/1 reinf with plt of Inf fr A/2/1 had cont'd contact throughout night of 21-22 Dec vic BT2936. Engagement resulted in 3 NVA KIA (c), 5 VC KIA (c).
57	2400		JOURNAL CLOSED

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1	0001		Journal Opened			
2	0315		Rec'd call fr LTC Platt (III MAF Staff Secty), Opn SANTA CLAUS is 1 hr earlier. It is a big opn down S today. Notified C/S 0317H. Also notified MAJ Harris (G1) to call LTC Hanson (198).			
3	0703		196 <sup>th</sup> , D/2/1, time 0555H, vic (en) 112317. Estimated squad of VC in woodline. Gunship on way to location.			
4	0830		0800H, 3/4, C/1/14 completed CA vic BS710428 at 0745H, LZ cold.			
5	0832		3/1, A/1/7, completed CA vic BT085493 at 0815H. LZ was cold.			
6	0840		196 <sup>th</sup> , D/2/1, ref to entry No. 3, at 0740H, searched the area with neg results.			
7	0852		3/4, A/2/35, CA vic BS692576, TD 0835H, cold LZ.			
8	0900		Maj Wall, 9 <sup>th</sup> Engr, called and informed TOC that 9 <sup>th</sup> Engr will cease opns fr 1800H 24 Dec to 1800H 25 Dec except for mine sweeps.			
9	0920		3/4, B/1/14 at 0830H vic BS787414, observed and engaged 3 VC. Res: 2 VC KIA (c).			
10	0935		196, A/1/1 at 0900H vic BT327330, found 1 tunnel. Entered tunnel, found 1 VC hiding. VC threw HG, US fired back w/45 cal. HG exploded. Res: 1 US WHA (evac).			
11	0945		3/4, B/1/14 CA TD 0859H vic BS724389. Cold LZ.			
12	0955		198, B/1/6 at 0930H, vic BS503878, received SA fire from the North. Called in FAC, searching area, neg cas.			
13	0956		3/1, C/2/12, CA complete 0928H, vic AT989337.			
14		1000	LTC Balmer informed MAJ Berry, S3, 196 <sup>th</sup> , to pull the Cav platoon supporting the 5 <sup>th</sup> ARVN Regt back under 196 <sup>th</sup> control. 5 <sup>th</sup> ARVN Opn has ceased. Plt from C/1/1.			
15	0930		DELAYED ENTRY. Call from G2. TAM KY has NVA WO HOI CHANH who says he can lead to wpns cache. Checked with 196 <sup>th</sup> which will exploit. TAM KY notified.			
16	1030		198, A/1/6, CA complete 1022H, vic BS539889. LZ cold.			
17	1035		D/2/12, at 0956H, TD1002, completed CA at 1010H, the LZ was cold. Vic AT005345.			
18	1108		3/1, C/5/7 CA completed as follows: 1 <sup>st</sup> lift complete vic BT115412 at 1037H, 2 <sup>nd</sup> lift complete vic BT135404 at 1047H. Both LZs were cold.			
19	1123		198 ARVN/2/35, at 1040H, vic BS590831, received 2 rds sniper fire at acft, searched area and pinpointed VC, unable to continue search, called gunships.			
20	1125		198, A/1/52 at 1042H vic BS710927, observed 1 VC running from position, told to halt, then engaged. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).			
21	1125		196, C/7/17 at 1010H, vic BT320321, found 1200 lbs rice in bags marked "Houston, Texas", also 500 lbs cement marked "Taiwan" on bags, found 5 bal rice wine, will evac.			
22	1140		196, B/2/1, observed unk number of VC heading west vic BT178328. In pursuit at this time, can obs 3 VC.			
23	1125		3/1, A/5/7 at 1100H vic AT998397, obs'd 5 VC, called arty. Res: 5 VC KIA (c).			
24	1126		3/1, B/1/9, at 0946H, vic BT003334, eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).			
25	1215		198, B/2/35 at 1215H, vic B S546816, found 1 VC KIA on trail. KIA by shrapnel.			
26	1258		3/1, B/1/35 at 1213H, vic BT216446, rec'd AW fire. Res: 1 US WHA (evac). Searching area.			
27	1300		198, B/2/35 at 1245H vic BS544807, found 1 VC KIA (c), wearing black shorts & brown shirt.			
28	1330		196 <sup>th</sup> , B/4/31, time 1230H, vic 953321. Found a fortified position consisting of bunkers with logs with dirt on top. Big enough to hold 2 to 3 men. Bunkers were 5 meters apart and also in the area found a trench 4 ft deep, 6 1/2 ft wide, 10 ft long and turned to the right and found 15 ft, into a trail. All was destroyed.			
29	1332		196 <sup>th</sup> , D/2/1, time 0650H, vic 112317. Obs 7 to 8 VC moving toward Delta loc. US eng'd 400 meters and the VC ran to the wood line. Checked area and found 1 woman with a 20 yr old son, and 2 kids. She wanted to be taken to the New Life hamlet. Detained her son and also found 2 tons of rice. They called in Firebirds and the Firebirds destroyed 4 hootches and damaged another 4 hootches.			
30	1334		196 <sup>th</sup> , B/2/1, time 1030H, vic 161305, found 2 AP mines 14" by 7" and could either be pressure or detonated. They were dest by C4.			
31	1335		196 <sup>th</sup> , B/4/31, time 1015H, vic 953237. Found 20 spider holes. Were all caved in.			
32	1337		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 1102H, vic 978258. Rec'd 5 to 10 rds SA fire, and neg actions taken.			
33	1339		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 1004H, vic 004321. Obs 2 tunnels and 1 b unker. 4/31 will check the area later.			
34	1341		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 1041H, vic 311430. Obs and eng'd and destroyed 2 camouflaged sampans.			
35	1343		196 <sup>th</sup> , B/4/21, time 0905H, vic 291387. Snatched 2 VN fishermen. Were evac fr location.			

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36	1344		196 <sup>th</sup> , B/4/21, time 1040H, vic 964253. Rec'd 2 rds of sniper fire from 800 meters to the E. They recon area by fire and checked the area with neg results.
37	1345		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/3/21, time 1100H, vic 067242. Det 1 VN male running fr hut. He was evac.q
38	1347		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 1110H, vic 969253. Obs and dest 1 bunker with rockets.
39	1349		196 <sup>th</sup> , B/2/1, time 1115H, vic 062296. Obs and eng'd 1 NVA in khaki uniform with pack running 200 meters northwest. Neg res.
40	1350		196 <sup>th</sup> , B/2/1, time 1127H, vic 178328. As Bravo Co checking a village obs 6 to 7 males running to the N. Ran after them, got 2 body count, and going after the other 5. They had no wpns. Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
41	1356		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/2/31, time 1340H, vic BT071239. Obs'd 1 VC bathing in creek. VC tried to run away. Eng'd with res: 1 VC KIA (c).
42	1415		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 1410H, vic 161345. Obs and eng'd 1 indiv evading. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
43	1420		3/1, B/1/9, time 1400H, vic BT220475. Spotted and eng'd 2 enemy dressed in green top and black bottom PJs, they were moving E and had pack and web gear. Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
44	1430		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 1125H, vic BT333312. Obs 18 camouflaged sampans. 18 sampans destroyed..
45	1515		196, A/2/1 CA 1 <sup>st</sup> lift airborne at 1511H, LZ vic BT330280. MTF
46	1520		196, F/17 Cav at 1500H, vic BT175310, found 3 blocks of TNT, camouflaged. Blew in place.
47	1528		3/4, Bde Avn, at 1145H vic BS599471, eng'd 2 VC evading. Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
48	1550		196, found area where 155mm ammo had hit the ground, ammow was gone with numerous trails leading away fr it. They are following trails now. Area vic BT233247.
49	1553		196, A/2/1, CA complete at 1535H. Ref entry #45.
50	1555		3/1, C/1/7 completed air move fr vic BT095513 to vic BT046424. LZ was secured by B/1/7. Move was completed at 1541H.
51	1610		198, E/1/6, at 1415H vic BS520963 – 522962. While conducting S&D opns, indiv det a BT resulting in 3 US WHA, req Medivac. In the same vic, another indiv det a BT. Res: 1 US WHA. While waiting for utility ship to evac, another BT was det resulting in 3 US WHA. When the utility ship arrived, 2 men got off to assist the WHA and in doing so det another BT. Res: 2 US WHA. Total cas 9 US WHA (evac).
52	1620		196, A/1/1 at 1430H, vic BT322304, picked up detainee who offered to lead them to an arms cache. He then attempted to escape. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
53	1630		196, F/17 Cav at 1615H vic BT158332, found 155mm round, not BT or camouflaged. Blown in place.
54	1650		3/1, B/1/9 at 1620H, vic BT093503, obs'd 1 VN w/khaki shirt and web gear. Res: 1 VC KIA (c). Another popped out of bushes at same loc. Res: 1 VC KIA (c). Total 2 VC KIA (c).
55	1651		3/1, A/1/7 at 1557H, vic BT083501. Eng'd 1 VC evading W. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
56	1730		Ref Journal entry #10, total should be 1 US WHA (evac), 5 VC KIA (c), 2 packs and documents captured.
57	1740		Rec'd call fr 198 <sup>th</sup> ref convoy fr down S. It hadn't shown up yet fr down south and 198 <sup>th</sup> has been waiting for it. Called 3/4 <sup>th</sup> and they'll conduct an aerial recon. Will call us back when they have something.
58	1750		198, Maj Benz, acft unable to locate convoy, will pull his MPs back to home station.
59	1755		198, B/2/35 at 1740H vic BS541807, observed and eng'd 1 VC with web gear, engaged with 60mm mortar and SA fire. Res: 1 VC KIA (c), 1 HG and web gear CIA.
60	1825		196, C/1/1 at 1820H vic BT248255, rec approximately 40 rds SA fire from 600 meters. Returned fire and continued mission.
61	1905		3/4, Rcn/1/14 at 1850H, vic BS725253, eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
62	1920		196, B/3/21 at 1828H vic BT063288, obs'd & eng'd 2 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c) (may be NVA). Was wearing web belt and pack, had US 1 <sup>st</sup> Aid pouch, in pouch was poncho and assorted civilian clothing.
63	1955		39 <sup>th</sup> Engr, C/39 Engr at 1735H vic BS728556, reported that a VN turned in 7 M-79 rds, 1 105mm rd, 1 90mm rd. All were blown in place.
64	2000		DELAYED ENTRY: 11 <sup>th</sup> Bde convoy closed unit loc at 1515H.
65	2001		196, D/4/31, at 1842H, vic AT989307, obs'd 43 indiv in lt grey unif – called in arty. MTF
66	2002		196, C/3/21 at 1500H vic BT021224, found a fresh grave w/1 V C body. Confirmed by villagers as VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
67	2003		196, C/3/21 at 1730H vic BT018213, eng'd and detained 1 VCS.
68	2015		3/1, Bde Scouts at 1804, vic BT024497, eng'd 2 VC. Res: 2 VC KIA (c), 1 Soviet 7.62 SN TL5557.

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1	0001		Journal Opened
2	0120		196, A/1/1 at 0110H vic BT284284, received 5-10 rds fire. Returned with SA and AW. Will check at daybreak. MTF
3	0330		Americal Division Practice Red Alert.
4	0340		Col Musser notified of Red Alert (Practice).
5	0350		509 <sup>th</sup> Sig Duty NCO reports Bn in position.
6	0351		PMO reports 100% on duty PW cage.
7	0351		346 <sup>th</sup> Avn in position as of 0340, acft on station.
8	0354		Spt Cmd reported 90% alert as of 0350H.
9	0355		G1 ready as of 0350H.
10	0410		G4 85% as of 0405H.
11	0410		Surgeon 100%.
12	0422		Maj Anderson, CLDC at 100% as of 0420H, will begin terminating 0425H.
13	0425		Americal Division Practice Red Alert terminated.
14	0420		Rec'd call from Lt Reid 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar Div G3 Dy eff of the approval of our Boundary Ext request for 240600 to 282400. Notified 3/1 of approval.
15	0710		198, A/1/52 at 0630H vic BS714963, observed 1 VC, ordered to halt, refused, engaged. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
16	0825		196, C/7/17 at 0745H vic BT048298, observed and engaged 3 VC. Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
17	0903		Telecon Maj Ben 198: 198 requested permission to use 2 dozers another day. Passed to LTC Kelly who gave guidance that dozers would be extracted today as scheduled so long as CH54 flies. Will remain prepped for lift until definite aircraft cancellation, if it comes, is received. This info passed to Maj Ben, 198 TOC.
18	0917		196, D/4/31 at 0840H vic AT987297 saw 20 VN leaving rice paddy going into rock formation on hill. Are getting clearance to go into the area to check it out. MTF
19	0930		3/4, C/1/14 at 0840H vic BS733321 obs'd and eng'd 1 NVA. Res: 1 NVA KIA (c).
20	0940		3/1, B/1/9 at 0836H vic BS957313 obs'd 1 VC w/web gear & black PJs evading. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
21	0940		3/4, A(-)/2/35 CA vic BS753584, TD 0833H, cold LZ.
22	0953		196, C/7/17 at 0945H vic BT171336 obs'd 2 VN in black PJs evading. Detained.
23	1025		3/1, B/2/12 CA vic AT980331, TD 0940, cold LZ.
24	1026		FSE, Cpt Johnson LNO, Quang Ngai, at 1010H vic BS598865 called DTOC and stated that gunships were firing on friendly forces. Notified Maj Sanders, 198, S3 Avn.
25	1055		196, F/17 at 1045H vic BT174335, detained 14 mil aged males. 5 w/ID cards, 9 w/o. IPW team on location at this time.
26	1056		196, A/2/1 at 0830H vic BT2828 received 1 rd sniper fire 250 meters SE. Res: 1 US WHA (minor) dusted off by C&C to 196. CP checked area, neg results.
27	1057		196, C/3/21 at 1000H vic BT026237 while sweeping village detained 1 VN. Res: 1 VCS det.
28	1058		196, A/2/1 at 1018H vic BT282282 found and destroyed 1x175mm rd, not camouflaged or booby trapped. Detained 18 VN – interrogating at this time.
29	1109		196, B/4/31 at 0945H vic AT959274, OP obs'd 13 VN males, 2 w/packs, no wpns obs'd. C/7/17 is checking area. MTF
30	1110		Ref Journal entry #24: at 1049H clled the TOC 2 <sup>nd</sup> ROK MC and talked to Lt McCloud. He indicated that the gunships belonged to the marines and that the command to cease firing had been given. He further stated that an O-1 spotter plane from Quang Ngai 220 Army requested the gunships to engage a target vic BS595863 without proper clearance.
31	1115		198, C/2/35 at 1045H vic BS587884 killed 1 VC by marine helicopter.
32	1116		198, B/1/6 at 1050H vic BS503870 had 2 US WHA from SA fire (evac). Dustoff complete 1057H.
33	1125		3/4, A/1/14 at 1115H vic BS828321, received 1 rd sniper fire from W, returned fire, swept area, found 9 coffins full of rice.
34	1130		196, C/7/17 at 1118H vic AT972269, rec'd 2 rds tracer fire, no hits, continued to fly. Did not return fire because of friendlies in the area.

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35	1215		3/1, C&C/2/12 at 0929H vic AT963318, eng'd 1 mil age male evading. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
36	1217		3/1, B/1/9 at 1100H vic BT108347 eng'd 1 mil age male evading w/pistol belt. Res: 1 VC KIA.
37	1220		3/1, B/1/9 at 1155H vic AT995339, eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
38	1221		3/4, C/1/14 at 1205H, vic BS741321 obs'd and eng'd 1 VC w/weapon. Res: 1 VC KIA (c), and 1 M1 carbine CIA.
39	1223		198, B/2/35 & gunship at 1156H vic B S530826 eng'd 3 VC evading. Res: 3 VC KIA (c). VC had packs, documents, and no ID cards. Kills were made by 176 Avn gunships.
40	1225		196, C/7/17 at 1156H vic AT965268, rec'd 5-6 rds SA fire. Returning fire. Will check out.
41	1227		196, S2/2/1 at 1215H vic BT103297 while returning to FSB, obs'd 7 VC in open. Called in arty. Will check out.
42	1230		196, B/4/31 at 1140H vic AT951241 found hot chow, khakis, 3 animal traps, small amount of rice and some pigs in a hootch.
43	1235		196, C/4/31 at 1120H vic AT969270, rec'd 1 rd sniper fire. Checking area now.
44	1325		198, B/1/52 at 1255H vic BS637946, eng'd 1 VC w/wpn crossing river. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
45	1440		39 <sup>th</sup> Engr, A Co, at 1215H vic BT082392 found mine on road w/pressure firing device, 25-30lbs of explosive. Removed from road.
46	1525		198, A truck has gone off an embankment at 420110. (An Tan bridge) The 198 <sup>th</sup> was supposed to pick up a convoy coming down from up North, but because of the truck blocking traffic they can't proceed. They requested a VTR fr the 196 <sup>th</sup> and it is presently on station. It will be about 2 1/2 hrs before the hwy is clear. Truck belongs to 73d Ordnance.
47	1540		196, A/3/21 at 1525H vic BT062358, while returning fr recon, found a pack containing a poncho, canteen, 44 non-electric blasting caps. Will evac.
48	1546		198, B/2/35 at 1230H vic BS545873 to BS543818, report 8 VC KIA by gunships. Results: 8 VC KIA (c).
49	1615		3/4, C/1/14, ref entry #38, unit swept area, at 1235H, found one more VC KIA. Totals: 2 VC KIA (c), 1 Carb CIA.
50	1630		196, C/7/17 at 1511H vic BT309280, rec'd 5 rds AW fire. Returned fire. Res: 3 buildings destroyed, neg cas.
51	1705		196, C/7/17 at 1650H vic BT264292, obs'd 1 indiv trying to evade, set down and attempted to snatch him, he continued to run and would not halt. Eng'd w/SA. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
52	1750		3/1, D/5/7 at 1630H vic BT038390, obs'd & eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c), 1 Carb CIA.
53	1750		3/1, B/1/9 at 1640H vic BT222462 eng'd and killed 1 VC Kia (c).
54	1750		3/1, D/2/12 at 1000H vic AT972324 found 2 fresh graves. Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
55	1820		CAP L-5 at 1520H vic BS711978 fd & searched 1 tunnel complex. Fd bench & rope. Upon departing cave for another tunnel, tripped BT which was buried in loose shale, res 1 WHA (evac).
56	1950		C/39 <sup>th</sup> Engr vic BS733543, VN turned in one 155mm rd, one 60mm rd, three 90mm rds, and three M-79 rds. All destroyed.
57	1950		A/39 <sup>th</sup> Engr at 1400H vic BT086393 discovered tunnel complex w/medical chest. (Partly destroyed). Tunnel/bunker destroyed.
58	1955		196, C/3/21 at 1901H vic BT025240 perimeter guard detained VN on trail. Identified as VC cadre ldr by PRU.
59	2030		3/1, A/2/12 & A/5/7 at 1955H vic AT968343 and AT990379, A/2/12 reports group of lights moving in vic AT968343 and eng'd w/arty. A/5/7 saw group of lights (est plt size force) and eng'd w/arty. Result larger explosions than normal by arty fire – 3 secondary explosions.
60	2045		11 <sup>th</sup> Bde (3/4) C/3/1 at 1445H vic BS824374, truck hit mine on beach road, res: 3 WHA (evac).
61	2100		196 req AO ext fr pres boundary on EW23 GL W to NS90 GL, No to EW 27 GS and E to pres boundary. For period 250600H to 262400H. Will place 2 co's into area to watch. Approved.
62	2110		198, B/2/35 at 1100H vic BS540833 eng'd 1 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA (c). No ID card.
63	2145		3/1, A/5/7 at 2136H vic BT002371 cont'd to hear movement. Had trip flare go off at 2145H and loc claymore that had been turned around.
64	2145		3/4 at 2140H BA TO has contact. SA/AW has slackened. Firing ceased at 2155H.



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2	0605		196, A/3/21 time 0547H vic (En) BT052250. Bunker line rec two explosion type sounds, will check at first daylight.
3	0800		198, B/2/35 at 2350H vic BS544845, VC threw rocks at unit, unit then threw rocks back at the VC. Neg res.
4	0827		196, A/1/1 at 0815H vic 221357, while sweeping the road found one dud round 60mm not booby trapped. Destroyed in place.
5	0925		9 <sup>th</sup> Engr, at 0830H vic BT313243 found 60mm mortar rd on right side of road. Round had Chinese markings. Blown in rice paddy.
6	0926		9 <sup>th</sup> Engr at 0712H vic BT564082 found propaganda pamphlet scattered in road. Will bring back samples of some.
7	0945		Americal Div MPs at 0930H reported that 15 to 20 purples smoke grenades were thrown from a low flying chopper in the city of An Tah. All were thrown out of acft with pin pulled.
8	1024		196, C/4/31 at 0925H vic AT955265 saw 7 VN in raincoats running west at 1100 meters. Cont'd to obs them and saw 20 more VN wearing raincoats 500 meters west of first group.
9	1025		196, A/1/1 at 1005H vic BT312314 rec'd 10-20 rds SA fire NW 150 meters from their position. Returned fire, checking area now.
10	1028		CAP Lima 5 at 242310H vic BS712973 & EN BS712973. Man on bunker guard spotted movement in the wire. He fired 1 M79 rd that set off secondary explosion. One indiv was hit with shrapnel in the left arm and was Medivac. They claim 1 VC KIA (p). Man Medevac'd by 1/52.
11	1040		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/1 time 1025H, vic BT302320. A/1/6, AFC hit a mine with results 3 WHA, 1 litter, and 2 ambulatory. Dustoff at 1025H had not yet been completed.
12	1045		Div Arty, VR, time 1030H, following sightings made: BT575734, 2 NVA, 1 with rifle; BT557734, 50 to 60 people hiding along trail in woods.
13	1112		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/2/1, time 1040H, vic BT300280. Found many small bags polished rice near river. Could not evac so dumped rice in river. (est 1000 lbs)
14	1135		3/4, 19 <sup>th</sup> Engr, time 0800H, vic BS855318. Found anti personnel mine on east side of road going north. Mine 5" in diameter and 2" high. It was pressure type with 3 lbs of charge.
15	1136		3/4, Bde Avn, time 1035H, vic BS769369. Obs 7 people traveling SW carrying ponchos and 5 bags.
16	1137		3/4, FAC, time 1055H, vic BS754372. Obs 7 people moving SW carrying ponchos and what appear to be packs.
17	1138		3/4, FAC, time 1110H, vic BS615525. Spotted 23 people in line moving NW with packs.
18	1139		3/4, FAC, time 1115H, vic BS612542. 27 people moving in line from N to S.
19	1140		3/4, FAC, time 1105H, vic BS6155, 40 people located at bridge.
20	1215		196 <sup>th</sup> , C&C/2/1, time 1150H, vic BT155315, obs'd 1 individual w/pack. C/7/17 will detain.
21	1345		196, C/7/17 at 1320H vic BT198298, snatched 2 VN from rice paddy. Res: 2 detainees.
22	1357		198, FAC, at 1350H vic BT283107, sighted approx 100 males dressed in black shirts and carrying some type of basket on their backs. The VN were conducting river crossing. Will keep under observation.
23	1415		C/7/17, time 1400H, vic BT208192. Obs'd 1 man wearing green shirt trying to evade. Res: 1 det.
24	1422		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/1, time 1418H, vic BT289339. Found 1 dud rd 155mm not BT or camouflaged. Dest in place.
25	1424		3/1, B/1/9, time 1125H, vic BT061321. Acft rec'd SA fire flying 40 ft at 50 knots. Spotted and engaged 1 mil age male wearing grey uniform and pistol belt. Res: 1 NVA KIA (c). Acft rec'd neg hits.
26	1425		3/1, B/1/9, time 1130H, vic BT025390. UH1-13 rec'd SA fire flying at 40 ft and 50 knots. Acft spotted and eng'd 2 NVA dressed in green uniform, had packs and weapons. Res: 2 NVA KIA (c), 1 SKS CIA.
27	1505		CLDC, Sgt Murray, time 1455H, vic B T5083. Rec'd report from tower 52 that 2 GI's in a 3/4 ton truck brought a claymore to the tower that had been buried on the beach by approx 20 VN civilians. Will detain civilians.
28	1500		III MAF, ICTZ TOC, time 1400H, vic AT997550. USMC 1-10 obs 200 VC in four boats. Arty strike approved by ARVN and fired at 1450 with res unk.
29	1520		Ref to Journal #27, 14 <sup>th</sup> Avn det 20 VN and is in the process of evacuating them to the IPW cage.
30	1515		2 <sup>nd</sup> ARVN Div, FSE, Special Forces operation will commence 260500H – 301800H Dec 67 in the following area from BS4380 to BS4386 to BS4486 to BS4485 to BS4783 to BS4883 to BS4882 to BS4980. Notified 198 <sup>th</sup> .
31	1625		198 <sup>th</sup> , S-3, time 1600H, vic BS599021. A FAC crashed vic BT599021. Dustoff on the way. Pilot seriously injured and the acft is total loss.

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1	0001		Journal Opened
2	0100		DELAYED – 198, OP116 at 252350H vic BS574962. Rec'd 1 HG 150 meters fr OP-PF. Returned w/4 HG's in direction of enemy. At vic BS577976 OP#3 rec'd 2 HG's 100 meters fr loc fr unk direction. No fire returned. Illum called for 10 minutes.
3	0350		196, 71 <sup>st</sup> Avn at 0340H vic BT316321 eng'd and destroyed 4 sampans.
4	0802		196, A/3/21 at 0800H vic BT070247 had 1 individual trip a booby trap. Res: 1 US WHA (evac).
5	0803		3/1 Cav requested info on AO extension termination date. Extension presently scheduled to terminate 282400H. Desire extension to 312400H. 1 <sup>st</sup> MAR Div COC contacted Duty Officer G3, promised answer ASAP.
6	0830		Ref to entry #4. Change to read Res: 3 US WHA, 1 litter, 2 amb.
7	0832		3/4, ?/1/14 combat assault to vic BS735335 completed 0745H, cold LZ.
8	0858		3/1, C/2/12, combat assault completed 0846H vic BT024314. LZ cold.
9	0925		Ref to entry #4 & #6. Charge was determined to be a US anti-personnel mine that had been booby trapped.
10	0940		3/4, A/2/35 at 0845H vic BS651504 rec'd AW fire. Res: 1 US KHA.
11	0955		198, ARVN/2/35 at 0930H vic BS584832, walked into minefield. Res: 9 WHA, unk at this time how many required evac. Also 1 KHA.
12	1026		196 <sup>th</sup> , Cyclone 6, time 1005H, vic BT290300. Saw 1 VC fleeing CA area. Engaging now.
13	1025		196 <sup>th</sup> , LRRP, time 1005H, vic BT133207. Saw 25 indivi with weapons, called in arty and could not get a good adjustment. C/7/17 being called in.
14	1028		196 <sup>th</sup> , D/2/1, time 1001H, vic BT125300. Found mortar pit 4'x6'. Will destroy.
15	1100		196 <sup>th</sup> , 176 LRRP, time 1000H, vic 133207. Ref to entry #13. C/7/17 presently in contact with est 25 VC, having trouble seeing them because of dense jungle. C/7/17 will leave and arty will be fwd.
16	1055		3/1, B/1/9, time 0900H vic AT999384. Obs 1 VC KIA (c) by arty fired by 1/21 arty.
17	1055		3/1, B/1/9, time 0740H vic AT954299. Eng'd 1 mil age male wearing black PJs. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
18	1100		196 <sup>th</sup> , F/17, time 1055H, vic BT177318. Found tunnel 20 ft long going easterly direction, also found 1xAK47 in tunnel. Tunnel is being destroyed.
19	1110		AVN, B/1/9, time 1030H, vic BT025315. OH-13 acft damaged by arty fire. Continued to fly. Acft later determined to be not flyable.
20	1120		39 <sup>th</sup> Engr, A Co, time 1000H, vic BT081389. Found 1 mine approx 30-35 lbs. Pressure firing device. Removed and turned into 3/1 TOC.
21	1121		196 <sup>th</sup> , D/3/21, time 0945H, vic [?]083293. Detained 5 males, 3 females, all interrogated, were civ def, evac to CP.
22	1127		3/1, A/1/35, completed air mobile move to vic BT110433 at 1107H.
23	1128		Late entry – 3/1, B/1/35 completed air mobile move to vic BT110433 at 1040H.
24	1137		3/4, S-3 notified Americal DTOC that the AO extension requested by the 1 <sup>st</sup> ACD for observation only in the southern portion of the Duc Pho AO had been canceled.
25	1140		198 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/52, time 1130H, vic BS682914. Eng'd 2 VC. Res: 1 det WIA.
26	1150		CAG, Cap Lima 2, time 1105H, vic 612017. PF came to hill and told Marines that there were 2 VC at coord 601019. On date 251800H VC informed people to evac area because hill was going to be hit. PF said VC force size is unk, also same force that hit Binh Son. Sent out patrol to check area. Neg res.
27	1145		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/4/31, time 1040H, vic AT948260. Found sewing machine and VC clothing in hut. Will attempt to evac.
28	1208		196 <sup>th</sup> , F/17, time 1145H, vic BT169331. Found 3 US bomb fuses at 1325-570-9498. Were not camouflaged or booby trapped. Blown in place.
29	1210		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/3/21, time 1030H, vic BT068245. While checking hut found 1 mil age male, no ID card. Res: 1 det evac.
30	1211		196 <sup>th</sup> , F/17, time 1145H, vic BT105325. Found 1 500lb bomb. Was not booby trapped or camouflaged. Blown in place.
31	1304		198 <sup>th</sup> , River Patrol, time 1230H, vic AT618017. Apprehended 15 indiv and 850lbs rice. Taking indiv to 1/52 for interrogation and taking rice to Binh Son district HQ.
32	1300		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/1/1, time 1220H, vic BT281272. Found 1 200 lb bomb rigged for command detonation. Dest in place.

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33	1301		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/4/31, time 1150H, vic AT948266. Eng'd 3 VC w/packs 300 meters N w/M79. VC last seen fleeing S.
34	1304		3/1, A/1/7, CA complete 1212H vic BT131492. LZ cold.
35	1309		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 1255H, vic BT145215. Rec'd 5-10 rds AW fire from BT145215-135215-165290-152233. Returned fire, neg results.
36	1310		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/1, time 1255H, vic BT148277. Det 4 VCS (1 female, 1 confirmed VC).
37	1320		Ref Journal entry #12. CO of the 196 <sup>th</sup> vic BT144288, obs'd 3 VC running from CA area. Eng'd. Swept area and found 1 VC WIA/CIA. Evacuated to 2 <sup>nd</sup> Surg.
38	1345		C/39 <sup>th</sup> Engr at 1100H vic BS728556 had 2 90mm rds turned in by VN. Blew in place.
39	1350		198, ARVN/2/35 at 1340H, vic BS497832. Found 3 VC KIA. Res: 3 VC KIA (c).
40	1351		198, C/2/35 at 1340H vic BS497832, found 1 VC KIA by gunship. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
41	1400		198, B/2/35 at 1400H vic BS534839. Eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
42	1433		196, B/2/1 at 1325H vic B T114314. A 2 man recon patrol obs'd 1 VC w/weapon. Eng'd with neg results. Another VC popped out of the bushes and vanished. Eng'd with neg results. Found another VC in the river breathing through a reed. VC tried to evade. Eng'd with SA. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
43	1435		196, A/3/21 at 1245H vic BT037203, obs'd & eng'd 2 VC approx 50 meters W. Res: 2 VC KIA.
44	1510		196, A/3/21 at 1435H vic BT037202, found a weapons cache with help of Chieu Hoi. Chieu Hoi now leading unit to what he claims is a larger cache. Contents of cache not yet available.
45	1520		(DELAYED ENTRY – Rec at 1120H) ARVN Intel rpt rated F6 reports 500 VC with "large" wpns located at vic BT213083-BT215075. Numerous radio emissions from vic BT210095. 300 VC believed to be 409 <sup>th</sup> Bn vic BT233117.
46	1556		196, A/1/1 at 1520H, vic BT315308. Found 1 bunker 12 ft long 10 ft wide, camouflaged not recently used. Destroyed with C4.
47	1558		196, D/3/21 at 1515H vic BT089266. Obs'd 5 VC digging a tunnel. Eng'd with SA & mortars. Res: 5 VC KIA (c).
48	1600		3/1, B/1/9 at 1445H vic BT026420, reported that a UH1B aircraft received AW fire, went down. Inserted inf team to secure. Neg casualties. Rigging team on the way.
49	1605		Ref Journal entry #18. Weapon reported as AK 47 was erroneous. Should be K44.
50	1615		198, A/1/52 at 1600H, vic BS689903. Eng'd 3 VC on hill. Res: 1 VC KIA (c), 2 VC CIA, 3 IW, 1 M16, 1 M1, 1 M2 carbine, 3 sets web gear, 3 M26 HG, 2 home made HG, 100 rd 30 cal ammo, misc documents.
51	1630		3/4, C/1/14 at 1457H vic BS742323, obs'd & eng'd 1 NVA. Res: 1 NVA KIA (c).
52	1725		3/1, A/5/7, time 1640H, vic AT988374. Reports ARA 2/20 engaged a force of platoon(-) size. Res: 3 VC KIA (c), 10-12 VC KIA (p).
53	1745		198 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/52, time 1645H, vic BS704895. Saw 1 VC in hole, eng'd w/HG. Res: 2 VC KIA, CIA web gear, poncho, propaganda pamphlets., no wpns.
54	1747		39 <sup>th</sup> Engr, C/39 <sup>th</sup> Engr, time 1600H, vic BS726563. 1x90mm, 1x75mm, 1x3.5 rd turned in by VN. Blew in place.
55	1748		3/4, Request a boundary extension from BS6957 to BS6959 W to SONG VE River, SW along River to BS6457. Relayed to Cpt Johnson Quang Ngai. Action pending. Req was for period 270600H – 272400H Dec 67.
56	1800		198, C/2/35 at 1440H to 1630H vic BT510824. While searching area found a camouflaged trap door leading into a tunnel. Searched the tunnel and found 1 BAR SN881652, 1 MAS 36, 1 M72 LAW, 4 60mm rds, 1 81mm rd, 1 40mm rd, 2 AP mines – bouncing type, various booby traps and 2000 rds assorted ammo.
57	1815		196, A/2/1 at 1740H vic BT148280. Detained 2 female VC suspects.
58	1816		196, A/2/1 at 1810H vic BT140290, found 2 60mm mortar base plates and 1 male detainee.
59	1850		Ref Journal entry #44. Contents of weapons cache are as follows: 1 Hvy MG unk type, 2 M16, 1 M79, 1 Carb, 1 82mm mortar, 1 shotgun, 1 RP 46, 1 BAR, 2 RPG, 8 Sten Guns, plus approx 130 others of unk type.
60	2012		196, A/3/21 at 1740H vic BT043236 eng'd 1 VC running out of hootch at 20 ft going SE. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
61	2030		198, A/1/52 at 1705H vic BS704895, found 2 bodies w/wpn and gear killed by gunships. Res: 2 VC KIA (c), 2 IW CIA.
62	2044		1 <sup>st</sup> MAR G2, III MAF at 1950H armored track of CAP G6 receiving 60mm mortar, AW and SA fire. Coords for mortar: BT079698. Coords for SA: BT067691.

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1	0001		Journal Opened
2	0025		CPT Johnson at Quang Ngai says SF area fr BS400880 N & E to SF TAOR border is approved as req by 198 <sup>th</sup> . Passed as info to 198 <sup>th</sup> . Will get G3 approval in AM.
3	0315		CAC L-4 at 0105H vic BS622013 rec'd 75 rds SA fire and returned w/200 rds 5.6, 250 rds 7.62, 200 rds .50 cal, 15 rds M-79, and 4 rds of LAW.
4	0600		71 <sup>st</sup> Avn at 0330H – 0400H saw 2 explosions hit on grd vic BT342300 believed to have come fr VC. Eng'd vic BT347300 – BT330330 and destroyed 28 sampans. At vic BT320330 eng'd 1 sampan. Res: 1 VC KIA (c), 1 sampan destroyed.
5	0830		198 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/52, time 0020H, vic BS688912. Rec'd 6 rounds of M79 and found 3 unexploded HG's in perimeter. They returned fire with small arms and AW fire w/neg results. 1 friendly slightly wounded on cheek, did not require medivac.
6	0835		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 0939H, vic AT928204. Obs 1 indiv wearing green uniform herding cattle, when actf approached indiv he tried to evade with neg results.
7	0844		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/4/31, time 0825H, vic AT972255. Eng'd 3 VC wearing black PJs with wpns at 200 meters W. Eng'd with SA/AW fire. MTF
8	0909		3/1, D/1/7 CA complete 0814H into 5 LZ's. Vic are: BT094410, BT086395, BT100392, BT091401, and BT083397. All LZ's cold.
9	0915		198 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/52, time 0850H, vic BS680912. Eng'd by enemy fire, gunships scrambled, 1 WHA medivac. Neg enemy cas.
10	0937		198 <sup>th</sup> , B/1/52, time 0925H, vic BS680928. Detained 1 VN with no ID hiding in tunnel.
11	0938		198 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/52, time 0920H, vic BS691909. Loc 1 VC uniform (khakis and jungle boots).
12	0939		198 <sup>th</sup> , Bde Avn, time 0925H, vic BS691891. Gunships eng'd and killed 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
13	0951		196 <sup>th</sup> , F/17, time 0940H, vic BT143220. 1 VN taking immediate action trying to evade was told to halt and continued to flee. Fired 1 warning shot over VN head, still continued to flee. Eng'd VC at 200 meters NW with .50 cal and M60. Res: 1 VC KIA (c). Had no ID, and wearing black PJ's.
14	1020		Tam Ky, Cpt Corley, time 270836H, requested a boundary extension in the following area: BT300275 N to BS3028 NE to BT3431 for the period 280600 – 281800H. Notified 196 <sup>th</sup> and they approved the following area: BT320260 N to BT320295 NE to BT340310. Notified Tam Ky of approval.
15	1022		D/2/12 at 0920H, the TD 0930H complete. CA at 0953H the LZ at AT967316. LZ cold.
16	1015		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/1, time 1003H, vic BT120350. Rec'd 2 rds sniper fire. Neg cas.
17	1015		196 <sup>th</sup> , B/3/21, time 0955H, vic BT061298. Obs and eng 2 VC. 1 VC KIA (c). 1 M-14 rifle captured, 1 pr binoculars & set of web gear captured.
18	1045		198 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/52, time 0915H, vic BT694906. Gunships eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
19	1046		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 1035H, vic BT962257.C/4/31 obs 2 indiv with wpns. Called C/7/17 Cav who obs 1 indiv and eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA (c). Still searching for the other one and wpn.
20	1047		198 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/52, time 1015H, vic BS705920. Obs 3 indiv evading. Eng'd one w/SA. Res: 1 VC KIA (c). VC had ID card and was on black list. The other two got away moving SW.
21	1115		196 <sup>th</sup> , B/3/21, time 1045H, vic BT040292. OP obs 14 indiv moving east. B/3/21 moving into contact.
22	1116		196 <sup>th</sup> , F/17, time 1053H, vic BT165353. Fd 1 250 lb bomb. Dest in place.
23	1117		198 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/46, time 0958H, vic BT443042. Had 4 indiv WHA. 3 by a booby trapped HG. One by pungi stake (evac).
24	1226		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/3/21 at 1215H, vic BT043232 found trench line near hedgerow, 60' long, 2' wide, 3-4' deep. Will destroy.
25	1230		196, C/4/31 at 1035H vic AT962257. Obs'd & eng'd 1 indiv 100 meters to W. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
26	1255		(Delayed Entry) Tam Ky called for following AO extension: BT2121 E to BT213210 to BT233170, W to BT2117 and N to BT2121. Notified 196, CPT Marsh approved extension, Tam Ky notified 271140H Dec 67.
27	1335		198 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/6, time 1315H, vic BS578979. Eng'd 4 VC w/SA. Res: 1 VC KIA (c). 3 VC escaped near village. Searched body and found that he had no ID or wpns. Was wearing green fatigue shirt and straw hat. This was in BS578978.
28	1420		3/1, B/1/9 at 0920H, vic BT079448. Eng'd 2 VC. Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
29	1421		3/1, B/1/9 at 1351H, vic BT208462. Detained 8 VN, ship was fired on. Eng'd 3 enemy. Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
30	1435		196, C/1/1 at 1304H, vic BT307351 & BT305355. Found 2 bunkers 4'x4'. Destroyed.

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31	1435		196, F/17, at 1420H, vic BT155352, found 4 100 lb or 150 lb bombs. 2 camouflaged, 1 HG. All destroyed.
32	1436		196, F/17, at 1310H, vic BT143347 found 20 rds M16 ammo, 1 canteen, det 1 male VCS. All evacuated.
33	1437		196, C/4/31 at 1330H vic AT993258 obs'd 10-15 VCS. C/4/31 moving into area.
34	1442		196, B/4/31 at 1430H vic AT985233 found 2,000 lbs of rice in boxes and jars along hedgerow. Will evacuate.
35	1520		Received fr LTC Councilman, 1 <sup>st</sup> MAR DIV, III MAF, tghat at approx 1130H, an H-53 helicopter with an external sling load had dropped a cas of HG vic BT240215. HG were thought to be M26 frag. TAM KY notified, will send ARVN unit loc 1500 meters E of that location to the site to attempt recover of HG's.
36	1600		198, A/1/46 at 1520H vic BT429031, while conducting S&D, rec'd sniper fire. Res: 1 US KHA.
37	1620		3/4, Ref AO extension approved by Quang Ngai, from BS6957 N to BS6959, W to Song Ve River, SW along river to BS6457. Period 280600-282400H Dec 67.
38	1650		196, LRRP Kathy extracted 271630H.
39	1715		198, 1630H, CP L-2 obs a CH-47 flying over BT608004 and obs'd a HG being thrown from the aircraft in the midst of some children. Res: 8 VN children were WHA (evac), 1 platoon fr 1/52 Inf observed an object fall from aircraft.
40	1720		196, C/7/17 at 1655H vic B T147238 obs'd & detained 1 VCS.
41	1805		196, C/7/17 at 1700H vic BT320328, found 20 bags US fertilizer, evacuating one bag for examination.
42	1822		DELAYED ENTRY from 0945H, FSE (Cpt Holland), AO ob sunk number of individuals vic BT265127 and requested arty fire mission which was fired by 3/18 Arty at LZ Ross. Res: 40 VC KIA (not confirmed). DTOC notified S3, 198, Maj Sanders. Maj Sanders stated they would get a FAC over the area to check it out. At 1300H, 198 <sup>th</sup> reported neg sighting.
43	1855		196, D/3/21 at 1835H vic BT093282, D Co and elements observed 15 VC 300 meters East. Called in blocking Arty and Arty on location. Are sweeping area at this time. Found 7 KIA (c) by Arty and 5 KIA (c) by D Co.
44	1855		196, A/2/1 at 1840H, vic BT107309, detained 1 VN, 40 yr old male, says he will lead that element to more VC in morning.
45	2000		3/1, Bde Avn at 1830H vic BT094464, eng'd 1 VC in black PJs evading. Res: VC KIA (c).
46	2120		CAG K-4A at 2115H vic BT447107, while moving amb site fr last contact, was ambushed by 2 VC. Rec'd approx 40 AW rds and returned fire. VC broke contact, checked area w/neg results.
47	2130		CAG K-5 at 2120H vic BT416123. 1 USMC got sick with high temp and convulsions (poss poisoned). Accepted water while ptl called for Medevac. Completed 2135H.
48	2140		CAG L-5 at 2130H vic BS723953, pulled sweep on village. Scout wanted to influence friend to gain Chieu Hoi propaganda and also to bring a man who has been a VC PW for 17 months back to this loc. NVA trps ran when unit entered village. PF fired at 1 VC, followed his blood trail and reconned by fire. Res: 3 PW, 1 VC KIA (p), 1 captured female, 1 female to Chu Lai, 2 males apprehended, misc papers CIA.
49	2210		CAC L-3 at 2205H vic BS675973 amb elem heard 4-5 VC moving towards them at 100-150 meters in front of position. Opened fire and broke contact. Two VC returned 10-15 rds carbine fire. Two VC fled leaving 2-3 behind either KIA or WIA. Sent reaction squad and amb elem out. Neg res.
50	2245		3/4, C/1/14 at 1506H vic BS704361. Found 1 M93 bolt action rifle, res 1 IW.
51	2310		198, A/1/52 at 2300H vic BS689918 hit by est sqd, rec'd HG/SA/AW fire w/neg results. Returned fire, res 1 VC KIA (c).
52	2400		Opn WHEELER/WALLAWA cont'd w/light contact. 1/7 cont S&D opns in zone with D Co conducting CA in vic BT094410 at 0200H and cordoning & searching. 5/7 cont S&D opns in zone. 2/12 cont S&D opns in zone w/D Co CA vic BT976316 at 0920H followed by C Co into same LZ at 0953H. Then both co's S&D to LZ Ross. 1/35 conducted S&D opns in zone. 196 cont S&D opns in zone. At 1835H D/3/21 eng'd 15 VC vic BT093282. Res: 12 VC KIA (c). Opn MUSCATINE cont w/light contact w/all units conducting S&D. AMCAL totals: 27 VC KIA (c), 7 IWC, 16 CSWC, 1 KHA, 5 WHA (evac), 1 WHA (minor).
53	2400		Journal Closed.

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2	0030		14 <sup>th</sup> Avn reported 2 explosions vic Bn Base. Contacted 198 <sup>th</sup> & CLDC. Both report this to be sonic boom from passing jet. Both areas obs the jet and heard the noise.
3	0100		TU QUANG HQ vic BS617712 rec'd SA & 1 satchel charge fr est VC platoon.
4	0100		196, 4/31 at 1235H vic AT988261 obs 5 indiv.
5	0210		SON TINH vic BS632767 under SA fire and 5 60mm mortar rds for 30 minutes f rest VC co.
6	0545		Telecon between MAJ Mullins, III MAF COC and CPT Parker. CPT Parker referred to MAJ Mullins msg 271949 para 3 which described the AO for 1 day opn by 4/6 <sup>th</sup> ARVN w/3 plts. CPT Parker had previously had called 196 <sup>th</sup> and passed AO boundary involved. 196 <sup>th</sup> has plans for A&C/1/1 to S&D vic BT300285 and surrounding 1000m radius and BT3233, BT3028 presenting poss conflicting AO. 196 <sup>th</sup> AO as rec'd fr Liason w/ARVN differed fr that given in msg. MAJ Mullins called ITOC and passed this to them. ITOC is checking. Meantime, CPT Corley, TAM KY, who said III MAF msg described AO erroneously. ARVN will operate as coordinated w/196 <sup>th</sup> and Americal TOC yesterday. Passed to 196 <sup>th</sup> .
7	0755		3/1, A/1/7, combat assault completed 0743H vic BT045500, LZ cold.
8	0755		196, combat assault of B/2/1 is cancelled due to intel indicating enemy unit near present area. They will act on this intel. C Co will assume combat assault mission.
9	0810		198 <sup>th</sup> , H/17, vic BS593935. Culvert blown, passable only 1/4 or 3/4 ton.
10	0830		3/4, A/2/35, CA completed 0745H vic BS650572. LZ Cold.
11	0850		3/4, C/1/14, CA completed 0839H vic BS737372. LZ Cold.
12	0900		196, has report of VC battalion vic BT175365. ARVN Plt in contact, are putting in airstrike, will move B/2/1 to that vicinity. Have coord w/3/1 for AO, from RR E on 38 GL to 19 N-S GL, S to present boundary.
13	0935		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 0917H, vic BT183259. Obs & eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
14	0945		3/1, D/1/7, CA completed at 0858H, vic LZ BT058492 and LZ BT058509. Both LZs cold.
15	0950		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 0945H, vic BT188360. Obs & eng'd 1 VC in grey uniform. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
16	1010		B/2/1 CA completed at 0959H vic BT183317.
17	1011		3/1, C/5/7, CA completed at 0957H vic B T0222400. LZ was cold.
18	1015		198 <sup>th</sup> , 176 Avn, time 0920H, vic BS637792. Aerial observation reports culvert blown at BS637792. Road is impassable.
19	1115		III MAF 0805H culvert blown on Hwy 1, vic BS637787, 8'x20' crater. No ETR..
20	1123		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/1/1, time 1055H, vic BT304296. Obs & eng'd with SA, 2 VC 150 meters to S. Res: 1 VC KIA (c). Captured 1 carbine, 1 M26 and 2 Chicom HG's. All evac to 1/1. Still checking area for other VC.
21	1125		3/1, B/1/9 at 0750H vic BT028418. Hawk flight tried to pick up mil age male. VN tried to evade. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
22	1130		196, B/2/1 at 1125H vic BT188355, in heavy contact w/unk size En force. Results at present time: 5 US WHA (evac). MTF
23	1135		3/1, B/1/9 at 0732H vic AT992322, obs 1 NVA and 1 VC moving N. Attempted to evade, engaged. Res: 1 NVA KIA (c), 1 VC KIA (c).
24	1150		3/4, 1 <sup>st</sup> ACD requested AO extension for period 281200H – 301800H for aerial recon only. Area is from BS668320 E to BS800320, SE to BS867220. Approved by 3/4.
25	1215		Ref Journal entry #22. C/7/17 Cav Scout ship eng'd 1 VC vic BT188358. Res: 1 VC KIA (c). Contact continues. Total results at this time: 5 US WHA (evac), 1 VC KIA (c).
26	1230		198, B/2/35 at 0800H vic BS550848 found 300 rds AP tracer, 75 rds M16, and 4 bouncing betty mines.
27	1231		198, ARVN 2/35 at 08-H vic BS578825 found 3 M26 HG, 193 M1 rds, 55 AK47 rds, 1 K44 sniper scope, and 1 set jungle fatigues.
28	1240		196, C/7/17 at 1234H vic BT129281, obs'd & eng'd 2 VC w/packs. Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
29	1230		Ref Journal entries #22 & #25. Contact still continues. Total results at this time: 5 US WHA (evac), 15 w/CIA, & undetermined # of VC KIA.
30	1342		196 <sup>th</sup> , D/3/21 at 1300H vic BT099298. Obs'd & eng'd 5 VC. Res: 4 VC KIA (c), 1 VC WIA/CIA.
31	1340		198 <sup>th</sup> , COL Fuller S-3 called DTOC for confirmation on who has the responsibility of supporting the Gia Vuc SF camp. He stated that the 3/4 passed on to them a requirement from Gia Vuc for gunships and a FAC. Reason one of their outposts vic BS368280 was being hit by an est VC company. Notified the G3 and passed the following information to the 3/4. Dispatch your gunships and Div will back you if there is a requirement. The following info was given to Maj Phillips. The 198 <sup>th</sup> does have the responsibility for support. However gunships will be provided by 3/4 for this contact.

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32	1340		3/4, Gia Vuc, time 1300H, vic BS368280. Outpost in contact with est VC company. Request gunships and FAC. Notified 198 <sup>th</sup> .
33	1400		198 <sup>th</sup> , B/2/35, time 1305H, vic BS550862. 1 VC KIA (fd) by SA fire. Had NVA pistol belt, 1 HG, wearing black PJs.
34	1430		C/3/21, time 1000H, vic BT075261. Obs 4 VC in open. Called in arty and they checked the area and found a hidden metal container containing 20lbs unk type explosives. At 1340H found 1 M-16 barrel and 1 24 volt battery.
35	1425		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/2/1, vic BT164250. Fd 1 NVA pack, 1 sleeping bag, 1 NVA uniform, 1 hammock, 3 pr shorts, 3'x3' plastic sheet, 1 handerchief, 1 cooking pot, 5 letters (to US soldier) at BT172259. Fd 1 claymore bag with 2 US HG's inside.
36	1426		196 <sup>th</sup> , F/17, time 1340H, vic BT155354. Fd 1 wpn #194675040, bolt action rifle of some sort.
37	1427		F/17, time 1355H, vic BT180354. Fd 7-8 tons rice in 3 hootches. 1 male VCS det.
38	1430		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/2/1, time unk, vic BT108298. Fd 8 wpns, 1 AK-47, 3 Chicom assault rifles, 4 K-44.
39	1508		3/1, ARVN, vic BT0354, ARVN in contact vic BT0354. 3/1 has sent ARA to support. Res: so far ARVN: 4 KHA, 28 WHA, 3 VC KIA (c).
40	1516		198 <sup>th</sup> , A/ARVN, time 1500H, vic BS574819. Loc 1xMAS 36 and 1xM1 Rifle.
41	1517		198 <sup>th</sup> , A/2/35, time 1430H, vic BS572821. Located 1xK44 wpn in tunnel.
42	1535		198 <sup>th</sup> , 1 <sup>st</sup> Co 1/4 ARVN, time 1350H, vic BS572821. Found 1 BAR, 4 BAR empty mag, 5xM16 full mag, 80 rds of K44 ammo in five clips. 5xM79 rds, 90xK50 rds.
43	1605		198 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/52, time 1600H, vic BS719918. Rec'd sniper fire and eng'd unk size force. Res: 3 VC KIA (c). Chasing others south.
44	1720		Reference to Journal entry #43. Total results at this time: 5 VC KIA (c), 2 detainees.
45	1815		3/1, B/1/9 at 1355H vic BT077322. Eng'd 1 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
46	1840		198, B/1/52 at 1800H, vic BS692927. Eng'd by approx squad of VC with AW weapons. Res: 3 US WHA (evac), gunships are on station.
47	1845		198, CPT Johnson, ARVN advisor, QUANG NGAI, reported marked increase in enemy activity in QUANG NGAI area. 2 <sup>nd</sup> ARVN considering extraction of battalion from 198 <sup>th</sup> area in event of major attack. All Brigades notified.
48	1855		3/1, C/2/20, at 1700H vic AT990370, eng'd 3 VC. Res: 3 VC KIA (c).
49	1905		196, C/7/17 at 1618H vic AT918217, destroyed 1 camouflaged sampan.
50	1924		198, Ref entry #46. Contact broken at this time, gunships remaining on station.
51	2050		LTC Councilman (1 <sup>st</sup> Marine Division) wants to use a PZ in AM vic BT045502 to lift out troops. At same time presented him with proposal of 3/1 AO fr point 0149 E & S for 0600H – 312400H. He indicated he saw no problem and wants answer on PZ tonight.
52	2000		3/1 req AO present boundary extension at BT0349 W to BT0149 S to pres bdry for period 290600H to 312400H. Felt there are rockets in the area. Will CA one company in and walk another co in.
53	2115		Rec'd fr CPT Johnson: At approx 1000H a VC force in green shirts and black PJs w/packs were seen leaving AN HA hamlet (2) vic BS662683 heading SW. Group eng'd at BS635662 by airstrikes and gunships. 50 VC KBA. Buddhist elem of approx 200 milled around Buddhist Pagoda ikn Quang Ngai City. Crowd dispersed at 1630H. Large VC force is reported to occupy hamlet vic BS610765. VC expected to attack TUNG HEA harass Quang Ngai City w/mortars and SA, and hit Son Tinh vic BS632767. Expected to hit Quang Ngai tomorrow night and blow bridges along Hwy #1. Expected to hit Tam Ky and / Thang Binh with mortars and SA either tonight or tomorrow.
54	2040		CAC Ly Tinh at 1940H vic BT477143. Ly Tinh informed PF at Shadow K-1 that they could expect to be hit tonight w/81 or 60mm mtr fr vic BT475124. Informed spt unit, swift boats, and took nec precautions. Checking w/Ly Tinh to see if they are going to fire on psn since it is out of our AO.
55	2045		B elem of Army Base spt unit at 1800H vic BS541122. VC at BT389124 approx 30 men. They are supposed to move to BT417124. There are PF and Marines at this loc at bridge. VC Ldr is KIM PHOUNG.
56	2104		3/1, A/s/12 vic AT984315 at 1515H eng'd & killed 1 VC and picked up 1 VCS.
57	2150		III MAF COC at 2150H vic BT034540, 37 <sup>th</sup> & 39 <sup>th</sup> Ranger Bn in contact at 1600H (contact began 1150H). Res: 5 KHA, 47 WHA, 46 VC KIA (c), 2 CIA, 9 IW, 1 CSW.
58	2150		CAG HQ L-5 at 2115H vic BS712973. VC fired 10 rds SA fire and threw rocks at village drum beaters. Seht out reaction force and supporting units and fired 2x81mm illum rds. Neg res.

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1	0001		Journal Opened
2	0100		11, A/3/1 at 0030H, vic BS851373, reported 2 indiv run over by tank (lower extremities). Res: 2 NBW (evac).
3	0140		198 CP at 282250H vic 637780, bridge blown at preceding coord's. Res: 1 WHA, 5 MHA. Two PF plts were attacked by unk size force and the PFs were driven off. Then enemy blew bridge.
4	0200		3/4, B/2/11 Arty at 0030H vic LZ Dragon caught hand in breech of gun. Res: 1 NBW (evac).
5	0300		DELAYED – PF plt 38 at 282320H vic BS649765, friendly ambush contacted unk # of VC. Res: 1 WHA; enemy ca sunk.
6	0820		196, C/7/17 at 0805H vic AT950220. Eng'd 1 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
7	0830		3/4, C(-)/1/14, CA TD 0750H vic LZ BS700344. LZ cold.
8	0835		196, request AO extension AT9129 to Bon Tra Bon River east, 300600 Dec to 62400 Jan.
9	0950		198, ROK at 0845H vic BS639750. Culvert blown and was reported by ROK's. Also another culvert blown at 0137H vic BS638781 also reported by ROK's.
10	0900		3/1, B/2/12 1 <sup>st</sup> lift 0820H, TD 0830H. Lift completed at 0842H vic AT985324. LZ cold.
11	0920		196, B/4/31 at 0900H vic BT003238 found 1 US Carbine SN 4350954, was leaning against hootch. Inside hootch found 5 NVA ruck sacks, 3 khaki uniforms. All will be evac.
12	0921		196, F/17 Cav, at 0855H, vic BT184308. Found 1 spider hole, no camouflage, not recently used. 13 meters from spider hole found number of documents and 400 lbs of rice. All will be evacuated.
13	0922		198, B/2/1 at 0858H vic BT183351. PRU attached to B/2/1 chased a VCS. Tried to get him to halt. Wouldn't halt. Eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
14	0923		3/1, B/1/9 at 0756H, vic AT993319. Eng'd and killed 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
15	0924		3/1, Bde Scouts, at 0745H vic BT097534. Eng'd 1 VC w/wpn. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
16	0925		3/1, A/2/12 at 0803H vic AT993319. Obs'd and eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
17	0926		198, C/2/35 at 0840H vic BS505833, spotted 3 VC w/weapons, wearing camouflaged uniforms and web gear. Requested gunships. VC were chased to BS485814 and eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA (c). The other 2 got away.
18	0940		196, B/4/31 at 0930H vic BT003238. Found 2 AK44's and 1 banana clip for AK 47.
19	0945		196, C/4/31 at 0920H vic AT990258, found 500 lb rice in hootch. Destroyed.
20	0946		198, CIDG/2/35 at 0907H vic BS478803. Completed CA. LZ cold.
21	1000		198, CIDG at 0945H vic BS4476, in heavy contact with unknown size force. Res: 1 WHA (evac). Gunship requested.
22	1020		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 0948H, vic BT111336. Obs'd 2 VN mil age males wearing black PJs. Res: 2 detainees.
23	1035		11 <sup>th</sup> Bde, CA A/4/3 at BS732402, completed 0915H. LZ cold. Also CA vic BS728428 completed 1015H, LZ cold.
24	1040		198 <sup>th</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> Plt, C Co, 2/35, time 0945H, vic BS486814. Found 1 shotgun at BS486814 and located 1 booby trap that had 57mm RR rigged with wire.
25	1041		39 <sup>th</sup> Engr, C Co, Time 0915H, vic BS718590. Rec 3 rds sniper fire. Fire returned. Neg cas.
26	1045		3/1 Maneuver Bn report no change.
27	1050		A/1/35 1 <sup>st</sup> lift at 0938H, the TD 1000H, completed at 1035H, LZ cold. Vic BT032480.
28	1100		196 <sup>th</sup> , B/3/21, time 1030H, vic BT070286. Obs'd 1 VC wearing black PJs. Checked area and found 3 tunnels. In 1 tunnel was 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c). Found 900 lbs rice, destroyed. Also found medical supplies. Will evac.
29	1115		DELAYED ENTRY: The 5 <sup>th</sup> ARVN Regt will conduct a 3 Bn operation in the area bounded by BT2032-BT1538-BT2343-BT2937. The 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , and 4 <sup>th</sup> Bns of 5 <sup>th</sup> Regt will participate. Opn scheduled to run from 290600-312400H Dec 67.
30	1135		Reference Journal entry #18. Found what is believed to be an NVA base camp. It contained 10 3 gal cans of fish and assorted food, 100 foxholes 4'x2', 100-150 NVA unif (grey & khaki), 2 AK47 magazines, 1 AK banana clip, 4 pr tennis shoes, assorted amounts of documents, unknown number of ponchos (VC), 1 flashlight (VC), unknown number canteens (VC), unknown number pistol belts and ammo pouches (VC), 1 entrenching tool (VC), and 250 rds assorted SA ammo. Will evac.
31	1153		196, C/7/17 at 1135H vic BT200354 obs'd 1 mil aged male, detained. (ARVN gave permission to go into AO).
32	1235		198 <sup>th</sup> , B/1/6, time 1048H, vic BS508832. Detonated booby trap. Res: 2 US WHA (evac).

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33	1245		198 <sup>th</sup> , Recon/1/6, time 1217H, vic BS476882. Eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c). He was wearing black PJs, and green sweatshirt. Had a US & NVA ammo pouch and HG and parachute silk.
34	1246		198 <sup>th</sup> , C/1/46, time 1230H, vic BT287074. Loc several ind and engaged with gunships. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
35	1247		198 <sup>th</sup> , C/2/35, time 1048H, vic BS486813. During a S&D opn, found a trap door located in a hootch. Threw HG, and woman ran out. Res: 1 female VCS CIA/WIA.
36	1310		3/1, D/2/12 at 1251H vic AT998309. Eng'd 2 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
37	1325		198, B/1/6 at 1148H, vic BS513837. Found 1 M1.
38	1326		198, C/2/35, at 1148H vic BS485815. Obs'd 1 VC hiding in hedgerow. Engaged. Res: 1 VC KIA (c). Was confirmed VC Hamlet Chief.
39	1327		198, C/2/35 at 1142H vic BS485815 found 1 VC hiding in hole. Eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA (c). Was wearing black PJs w/pistol belt.
40	1328		3/1, D/1/7 at 1307H vic BT049518. Rec'd AW fire from left flank, SA from right flank. Neg cas. Gunships on station. Contact broken at 1317H. Neg results.
41	1338		196, C/7/17 at 1328H, vic BT013248. Saw 9 indiv wearing black PJs moving in northerly direction. Attempted to detain. Indiv tried to evade. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
42	1400		196, C/1/1 at 1345H vic BT283270. Obs'd and eng'd 4 VC w/wpns at 35 meters. 2 ran to the south and two to the east. Res: 1 M16 CIA SN 712229.
43	1457		198, B/1/6 at 1048H vic BS486813. Reference Journal entry #32. Change to read 1 KHA, 1 WHA (evac).
44	1458		11 <sup>th</sup> Bde, C/4/3 at 1435H vic BS748366, rec'd SA fire, returned fire. Res: 5 VC KIA (c), 2 US WHA (evac).
45	1459		3/4, A/2/35 at 1443H vic B S743558, rec'd 7 rd SA fire from W, est 2 En positions. Returning fire. MTF
46	1500		196, A/1/1 at 1415H vic BT277313, detained 1 VN male who had numerous medical supplies in his possession. Claimed they were for village nurse. PRU said the nurse is VC, going to pick her up now.
47	1515		198, 1 <sup>st</sup> Co, 4 <sup>th</sup> ARVN at 1511H, vic BS585795, unit in contact w/unk size force. Gunships scrambled. 2/35 is controlling HQ's. MTF
48	1533		196, A/3/21 at 1515H vic BT012228, obs'd and engaged 1 VC. Res: 1 VC WIA/CIA. Will evac.
49	1540		196, C/7/17 at 1400H, vic BT152291. Obs'd 1 VN evading. Res: 1 detainee.
50	1547		196, 1/1 at 1435H vic BT304337. Rec'd 5 rds sniper fire, obs'd 1 VN running NE, eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
51	1610		3/4, 2/11 artyh, time 1530, vic BS758533. Obs'd several VC w/baskets evading. Eng'd w/arty. Res: 1 VC KIA (c), 3 KIA (p).
52	1545		196 <sup>th</sup> , B/2/1, time 1545H, vic BT185357. Found bolt action wpn unk make and type and numerous documents and NVA packs. All will be evac to CP 196 for evaluation.
53	1625		11 <sup>th</sup> Bde, C/4/3, time 1435H, vic BS748366. Ref to Journal entry #44. Add 2 VC CIA (1 WIA), 1xM2 carbine CIA.
54	1630		III MAF, vic BS637780. Cpt Heinz notified DTOC that bridge blown vic BS637780 has been repaired and was now open.
55	1700		196, D/3/21 at 1605H vic BT304337, detained 10 VN, no ID Cards.
56	1705		196, C/7/17, at 1735H vic BS882254, found and eng'd 9 camouflaged sampans along the river bank. All were destroyed.
57	1711		196, A/1/1 at 1605H vic BT274319, detained 5 VN, no ID cards.
58	1715		3/1, B/1/9 at 1725H vic AT962335. Eng'd 2 mil age males, acft rec'd 8-10 rds SA fire. Res: 2 VC KIA (c). Acft was not hit.
59	1755		3/1, ARA/2/20 at 1700H vic 001533. Acft went into river. B/1/9 is in the area. The 1 <sup>st</sup> MAR Div cleared an AO in the vic of the downed acft for the 3/1. The coord are AT9956 to BT0156 to AT9954 to BT0154. Notified the 3/1 of this and told them to notify us as soon as they are out of the area.
60	1805		198, 1/4, at 1800H vic BS5779. Gunships reported 9 KBA in ARVN area.
61	1830		3/1, Reference Journal entry #59, one body has been recovered, other 3 still not found. Interim result: 1 US KHA, 3 US MHA.
62	1850		3/1, A&B/1/7, time 1840H, vic BT032515 & 037514. Receiving AW fire. Requested arty. Res: 3 US WHA. MTF.
63	1900		Reference Journal entry #59 and #61. Acft has been pulled towards sand bar. Will be pulled out in the morning. Being secured by ARVN APCs.
64	1915		3/1, Reference Journal item #62, firing ceased at 1845H. Total cas: 3 US WHA (evac).

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1	0001		Journal Opened
2	0200		LT Oz fr 1 <sup>st</sup> MAR DIV COC called and wanted to know if we were going to CA a unit into vic of the downed C/2/20 acft and told him we would check. He based this req on infot that 1/21 Arty had req an arty prep in that vic.
3	0203		Ref item #2. Checked with 3/1 Duty Officer and he stated that one plt of B/1/9 was to CA to secure on the N side of the river vic AT998556 at 0700H and will hook it out.
4	0205		Ref item #2. Called 1 <sup>st</sup> MAR DIV Duty Officer with info. He stated that 11 <sup>th</sup> Marine Arty would fire prep and we had our AO until extraction.
5	0302		198, B/1/6 at 292348H vic BS507848. Saw 3 VC, one had M1 rifle. Eng'd by fire and saw the indiv with the wpn fall. Searched and captured 1 VCS and 1 M1 rifle. One of the VCS stated his brother was one w/wpn who fell and was killed.
6	0650		Convoy Movement. Quang Ngai Adv Log Cmd. DPTR: 0900H, ETA: 1100H; FM: Quang Ngai; TO: Chu Lai; SCTY: plt (QN Sector RL); CARGO: food, ammo, POL. 15 veh's.  Convoy Movement. Quang Ngai TOC G3. DPTR: 0900H; ETA: 1200H; FM: Tam Ky; TO: Quang Ngai; SCTY: 2 co's (4/5 <sup>th</sup> Bn); CARGO: personnel. 8 veh's.
7	0720		196, D3/21 at 0630H vic BT296337. Obs'd and eng'd 1 VC at 75 meters. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
8	0905		III MAF, MSGT Drake at 0905H called DTOC and requested any additional information on the down acft, reported 291700H Dec 67.
9	0900		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/2/1, time 0835H, vic BT117338. Saw 2 VN w/black PJ fleeing N. Told to halt. Ignored, engaged w/M79. Res: 1 detained.
10	0910		3/1, 1/7, time 0910H. A, B, D 1/7 conducted air move to LZ Baldy; due to the weather the combat assaults have been cancelled.
11	0927		196 <sup>th</sup> , Recon 3/21, time 0910H, vic BT071289. Found medical supplies in a hut and also 1 female believed to be VC nurse. Res: 1 det. Medical supplies will be evac.
12	0957		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/2/1, time 0930H, vic B T115336. Obs 3 VN males running north at 100 meters. Fired warning shots, he did not halt, eng'd. Res: 1 VC WIA. Will be evac.
13	0958		196 <sup>th</sup> , D/3/21, time 0947H, vic BT296345. Obs 1 VC evading S at 200 meters. Eng'd with SA and AW. Res: 1 VC KIA (c). He had empty field packet.
14	0959		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 0945H, vic AT930198. Obs and eng'd 1 sampan. Res: 1 sampan dest.
15	0933		III MAF MAJ Well. The road is closed vic BT392162 because the culvert is out. ETR 1030H.
16	1035		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 1025H, vic BT898241. Obs'd and eng'd 2 camouflaged sampans. Res: 2 sampans dest.
17	1036		196 <sup>th</sup> , B/2/1, time 0955H, vic BT175336. Det 1 VCS while searching village. No ID card. Will evac.
18	1037		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 0955H, vic AT914218. Obs'd 2 mil age males wearing green unif evading acft, trying to hide something in his shirt. Eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
19	1111		1050H, Qunag Ngai, CPT Johnson. 4/5 Regt will conduct S&D opns as a part of opn MUSCATINE. The Bn will be committed south of the line when they arrive. The new unit will be operating independent of US forces. US will retain fire clearance authority. Opn Area: BS6084-BS6080 to BS597794 to BS590784 to BS580778 to BS570776 to bS560779 to BS550782.
20	1153		196, B/4/31 at 1110H vic BT005235. Found 8 Mossin-Nagant Rifles, SN as follows: D2037, D8353, K0624, G1114, A2576, E4793, A4626, C9908. Also found 3 large huts, large enough to house 30 men. Found 4 graves, dug up and found uniforms and bones, approx 30 days old, also found drum mag for MG. The wpns were found in stream, wrapped in plastic, made in 1960.
21	1200		198, B/2/35 at 1125H vic BS550799. Obs'd and eng'd 3 VC. Res: 3 VC KIA (c). Also found near hole 1xM1 Carbine, 2xM1 Rifle, 2xFrench Mauser Rifles and 1xLAW.
22	1230		198, B/2/35 at 1158H vic BS524875, obs'e & engaged 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c), small amount of AK47 ammo and grenade pins CIA.
23	1245		198, Ref item #22 above, change unit to read B/1/6. Amount of AK47 rds is 12.
24	1300		39 <sup>th</sup> Engr, C/39, time 1115H, vic BS724570. 2 VN children turned in 2x60mm and 1x155mm rd. Blew in place. 900 piasters reward paid.
25	1340		Rec'd call from Lt Reed, 1 <sup>st</sup> MAR DIV, ref acft of 3/1 that crashed in river on 29 Dec. Checked with 3/1 and was informed that the bodies had been recovered, the acft had been blown up and there were no longer any troops in the area. Lt Reed said that NFZ that had been imposed in that area would be lifted. Checked with CPT Lambert, 3/1, ACD, no problem as their troops have cleared the area.
26		1352	AMERICAL DIV DTOC called III MAF, MAJ Wells, and informed him that all MHA's reported from the 3/1 had been accounted for and are listed as KHA. The acft was destroyed.

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27	1350		3/4, the elements are OPCON to the 3/4 from the 11 <sup>th</sup> LIB as of 301130H Dec 67. A Btry, 6/11 Arty, D Co, 3/1 Inf, A Co, 3/1 Inf and 3/1 Inf CP.
28	1350		39 <sup>th</sup> Engr, A Co, at 0955H 29 Dec, during mine sweep, found booby trap in mud hole in road, blew in place. Loc BT051353.
29	1430		Rec'd info from G2. S2 Sgt at Binh Son has reliable agent report that Binh Son will be attacked in force at 010100H Jan 68.
30	1500		198 <sup>th</sup> , B/1/6 time 1423H, vic BS488887. Eng'd 1 VC running fr camouflaged hut. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
31	1515		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/2/1, time 1309H, vic BT124327. Fd 1 pr US fatigue pants, 1 VN shirt. Evac.
32	1516		196 <sup>th</sup> , B/4/31, time 0840H, vic BT005235. Fd 1 VC gas mask, 20 rd automatic pistol ammo, 10 rds 7.62 chicom, 2 canteens. All evac.
33	1517		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/1, time 0930H, vic BT273365. Rec 3 rds sniper fire. Neg res.
34	1518		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 1335H, vic B T111337. Det 1 VCS.
35	1519		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/2/1, time 1305H, vic BT173242. Fd and evac 3 ton rice.
36	1520		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/2/1, time 1337H, vic BT155236. Fd and evac 5,000 lb rice.
37	1550		198 <sup>th</sup> , B/1/52, time 1535H, vic BS710908. Eng'd by unk size VC force with AW wpns. Sustained 5 WHA's. Medivac has been called and going there now. MTF
38	1635		198 <sup>th</sup> , B/1/52, time 1535H, vic BS710908. Ref to Journal entry #37. Change the 5 WHA to 1 KHA and 4 WHA. Contact lasted 4 to 5 minutes. The medevac was completed at 1600H.
39	1600		DELAYED ENTRY – III MAF passed the following information concerning the New Year's Truce. "Stand-down period to commence 311800H Dec 67 and to end 020600H Jan 68. Message to follow." Acknowledged by LTC KELLEY, Dep G3.
40	1730		196 <sup>th</sup> , D/3/21, time 1630H, vic BT256343. Saw 1 VC evading 75 meters, eng'd with SA & AW wpns. Res: 1 VC KIA (c). Picked up 1 M1 Carb ine SN 66564, 2 Chicom HG, 1 flashlight, and several documents. Will be evac.
41	1731		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/2/1, time 1635H, vic BT155238. Fd 6,000 lbs unpolished rice. Will evac tomorrow.
42	1745		C/39 <sup>th</sup> Engr at 1600H vic BS724572. A VN turned in 1x155mm rd, 2x60mm rds, and 1x90mm rd. All blown in place.
43	1746		196, A/3/21 at 1615H vic BT037242. Obs'd and eng'd 2 VC running East at 25 meters. Res: 2 VC KIA (c), wearing black PJs.
44	1900		Rec'd message from 3/1 ref downed acft on 29 Dec 67. Subj: possible compromise of SOI Items. DTG of message 300855Z Dec 67.
45	1915		3/1, B/1/9, at 1709H vic AT982347, eng'd 1 VC, gray uniform, evading. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
46	2055		2 <sup>nd</sup> ARVN Div Quang Ngai (CPT Richards) at 2055H. COL Walby, COL Yound, and C/S COL Musser will spend night at Qunag Ngai. No need to send ships down. The three will be brought up by 2 <sup>nd</sup> ARVN ship in morning. Notified C/S office (Sgt Lentz), Arty (CPT Clark), and 198 <sup>th</sup> (MAJ Ben). Checked on GEN Ryder and he will be at Duc Pho for night.
47	2125		198 <sup>th</sup> (MAJ Ben) called and stated that the PF's at BT377165 are eng'd with enemy at BT377168 and have req arty. Wants permission to fire on edge of village. Referred to LTC Kelly. MAJ Ben called back and stated they have political clearance because the edge of the village is unoccupied and they will fire. Ended 2230H, neg results.
48	2134		Rec'd CONFIDENTIAL Msg fr 1s MAR DIV at 2155H. Subj: AO extension.
49	2240		198, B/2/35, at 1055H vic BS546795 had 1 VC throw HG fr hole. Res: 2 WHA (evac).
50	2400		Opn WHEELER/WALLAWA cont'd with light contact. Weather hampered opns significantly causing cancellation of CA planned for 3 co's (1/7). Air moves of C & D 5/7 were also cancelled. 1/7 <sup>th</sup> extracted fr Opn in support of AUBURN and rtd to LZ Baldy. 5/7 <sup>th</sup> and 2/12 <sup>th</sup> and 1/35 <sup>th</sup> cont'd S&D opns in zone. 196 <sup>th</sup> cont'd S&D and night opns in zone w/all Bns. Acft down at BT001553 was dest in place. Res for period: 3 KHA, 3 IW, 1 CSW lost, 7 VC KIA (c), 9 IWC. Opn MUSCATINE cont'd w/light contact. Weather permitted A/2/35 fr moving fr Duc Pho to join Opn MUSCATINE. It caused canc of return of B/1/6 to control of parent Bn. Res: 1 KHA, 6 WHA (evac), 4 VC KIA (c), 6 IWC. AMERICAL Res: 4 KHA, 6 WHA (evac), 3 IW lost, 1 CSW lost, 16 VC KIA (c), 15 IWC.

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1	0001		Journal Opened
2	0440		Rec'd SECRET msg fr III MAF, DTG 301520Z. Subj: Ops Plan Peace Bird. Acknowledged to III MAF MAJ Finn at 0445H. Relayed to LTC Balmer in morning.
3	0904		3/1, B/1/7, completed CA vic 0837H LZ BT229449, the LZ cold. D Co 2/12 completed secure move to LZ Leslie at 0830H.
4	0906		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 0830H, vic AT968267. Eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
5	0907		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 0752H, vic AT878223. Damaged 1 camouflaged bunker.
6	0908		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 0755H, vic AT879223. Eng'd & damaged 1 .50 cal position.
7	0909		196 <sup>th</sup> , C/7/17, time 0750H, vic AT878223. Eng'd & destroyed 3 sampans.
8	0910		Div Engrs, Sgt West, the road is open by air recon from Chu Lai to Duc Pho.
9	0915		11 <sup>th</sup> Bde, A/3/1, CA completed 0859H vic BS745392. LZ cold.
10	0945		0920H, 3/1, A/1/7, completed CA at 0913H. LZ BT237439. LZ cold.
11	0954		198 <sup>th</sup> , C/1/52, time 0836H, vic BS660893. Rec'd sniper fire. Res: 1 US WHA (minor).
12	0955		198 <sup>th</sup> , C/1/6, time 0835H, vic BS587918, rec'd sniper fire. Res: 1 US WHA (minor).
13	0955		198 <sup>th</sup> , C/1/6, time 0835H, vic BS587918. Returning from ambush site they found a tunnel at BS587918. Inside the tunnel they found 6 ponchos, 3 sets of web gear, various books, documents, and medical supplies, plus 3 pr of shower shoes and 1 pr of slacks. Then they saw and eng'd 1 VC. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
14	1000		11 <sup>th</sup> Bde, B/1/20, completed CA 0947H, vic BS762371.
15	1000		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/3/21, time 0820H, vic BT026199. Found and engaged 2 VC 100 meters wearing black PJs. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
16	1010		198 <sup>th</sup> , 1 <sup>st</sup> Co 3/4 ARVN, time 0950H, vic BS570782. Obs'd 1 plt of VC and requested gunships. VC fired SA fire resulting in 1 ARVN WHA (evac). VC last seen heading north vic BS565788.
17	1011		198 <sup>th</sup> , C/1/6, time 0835H, vic BS587918. Found 2 VC in tunnel. Res: 2 Det.
18	1017		MAJ Bark, USARV called Ref ORLL. Needs info. Referred to CPT Bodin. He will call CPT Bodin in about 40 minutes. Passed to SGT Schumacher, DOT.
19	1038		196, F/17, at 0905H vic BT130331, in contact with unk size enemy force – still chasing – 50 to 60 VN moving north. 2 plt A/1/1 in blocking position. C/7/17 overhead. Res: 2 VC KIA (c), 1x45 cal pistol CIA.
20	1045		3/4, 1/1/14 at 1001 vic BS870339. Plat Sgt stepped on AP mine. Res: 1 US KHA.
21	1113		196, C/2/1 at 1100H vic BT156237, found and destroyed 2 camouflaged lean-to's.
22	1117		3/1, C Co 1/7, CA completed 1058H, vic BT218465. LZ cold.
23	1130		198, B/2/35 at 1110H vic BS548776. Eng'd and killed 2 VC. Res: 2 VC KIA (c), 1xM1 Carbine, 1xM2 Carbine.
24	1131		198, C&C ship 1/46 at 1040H at 1040H vic BT299102. Eng'd 1 indiv evading west. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
25	1143		3/1, C/5/7, at 1050H vic BT052384. Det a booby trap. Res: 2 US WHA (evac).
26	1152		3/1, B/1/9, at 0840H, vic BT250430. Obs'd and eng'd 1 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
27	1153		3/1, B/1/9, at 0801H vic BT249384, eng'd 3 NVA in green unif hiding in bushes. Res: 3 NVA KIA (c).
28	1154		3/1, B/1/9 at 0827H vic BT225432, obs'd 1 mil age male in unif heading west. Individual dropped pack and tried to evade. Eng'd. Res: 1 NVA KIA (c).
29	1155		3/1, B/1/9, at 0910H, vic BT217435, eng'd 1 mil age male evading. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
30	1156		3/1, B/1/9 at 1020H vic BT218433, eng'd 2 mil age males, 1 in green unif, other in black PJ's. Res: 1 VC KIA (c), 1 NVA KIA (c).
31	1157		3/1, B/1/9 at 0930H vic BT242432. Eng'd 1 VC evading. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
32	1158		3/1, B/1/9 at 1143H, vic BT209438. Obs'd 1 mil age male w/wpn. Eng'd. Res: 1 VC KIA (c), 1 wpn destroyed.
33	1205		CAG, L-4, time 1100H, vic BT622013. 1 VN child, 8 yrs old, brought to L-4 loc. Traumatic amputation of arm and head wounds from unk exploding device. Medevac.
34	1207		CAG, K-5, time 1100H, vic BT413124. Army 3/4 ton driven by Sgt Whalraven struck an elderly VN woman walking. Convoy passed & she stepped in front of truck. Veh moving 20 mph. Medevac to Chu Lai. Driver made statement, MP & District Police notified.
35	1240		196 <sup>th</sup> , F Trp/17 <sup>th</sup> Cav, time 1115H, vic BT150345. Fd 15,000 lbs of unpolished rice inside 5x55 gal drums. Rice dest.

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36	1240		196 <sup>th</sup> , B/1/9, time 1205H, vic BT220451. Eng'd 2 NVA. Res: 2 NVA KIA (c).
37	1241		3/1, D/1/7, time 1057H, vic BT219436. Fd 1 VC KIA by B/1/9.
38	1242		3/1, B/1/7, ttime 1130H, vic BT226440. Fd 1 VC KIA by ARA. 1 HG captured, homemade AP mines.
39	1250		DELAYED ENTRY – 3/4, Recon 1/14, time 1800H 30 Dec, vic BS800296. Obs approx 30 NVA, wearing light green uniforms, had packs and wpns. Placed arty on them and checked the area this morning and fd 4 NVA KIA (c), 6 packs, 1 US HG, & 1 NVA belt with red star on buckle.
40	1300		196 <sup>th</sup> , D/4/31, time 1105H, vic AT941272. Fd 4,300 lbs of rice. Rice was evac.
41	1310		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/3/21, time 1300H, vic B T036186. Loc hospital and found 40 hootches, 28 were permanent type structures last used about 2 weeks ago. Continue to search the area.
42	1315		3/4, Rcn 1/14, time 1800H, vic BS800296. Ref to Journal entry #39. Add 5 NVA KIA (c).
43	1316		198 <sup>th</sup> , B/2/35, time 1239H, vic BS546789. Eng'd 3 VC. Res: 3 VC KIA (c), 1 M1 Rifle, 4 Chicom HG, 1 set web gear CIA.
44	1330		196 <sup>th</sup> , F/17, time 1207H, vic BT151349. Found and dest 3 bunkers. Bunkers were made out of brick walls and log tops.
45	1341		198, C/1/52 at 1300H, vic BS658888. 1 US tripped BT. Res: 1 US WHA (evac). Believed to be 81mm or 105mm rd.
46	1402		3/1, Bde Scouts, time 1340H, vic BT007397. OH-13 rec'd ground fire, hit in fuel cell, forced down. Acft secured by D/5/7. Neg cas. Will evac. Rigging team on way.
47	1411		3/4, Rcn 1/14 at 301800H, ref Journal entry #39 and #42. Add 3 NVA KIA (c). Now total of 12 NVA KIA (c).
48	1420		196, F/17 Cav at 1355H, vic BT158342. Found 1 ton of rice l 4x50 gal drums. Will be dest. Also found 40 lb of tobacco.
49	1436		2 <sup>nd</sup> ARVN DIV, 3/4 ARVN, at 1435H vic BS570782. Cas as of this time: Friendly, 1 KHA, 7 WHA. Enemy, 84 VC KIA (c), 29 IWC, 1CSW, 11 POW. Enemy unit identified as 48 <sup>th</sup> LF Bn. Unit still in contact.
50	1540		3/1, Ref entry #46. Acft extracted at 1530H.
51	1545		198, B/2/35, at 1515H, vic BS511803. Obs'd 7 VC, called gunships. Gunships eng'd. Res: 2 VC KIA (c).
52	1600		196 <sup>th</sup> , A/1/1, time 1400H, vic BT130331. Det 30 VN of mix sex. Questioned but no information. Requested to go to New Life Hamlet. Turned over to PF's.
53	1635		39 <sup>th</sup> Engr, C/2/5, time 1530H, vic BS737533. VN turned in 1 M79 rd, 1 90mm rd, blown in place.
54	1700		198 <sup>th</sup> , D/2/35, time 1600H, vic BS547875. Eng'd 1 VC moving along trail. Had web gear and M26 HG. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
55	1758		198, D/2/35, ref entry #54 above, add 1xM1 Carbine, 1xThompson SMG and misc ammo CIA.
56	2025		3/1, B/1/9, at 1330H, vic BT209442. Eng'd 1 VC w/khaki shirt & green pants and pistol belt. Res: 1 VC KIA (c).
57	2025		3/1, C/1/7 at 1236H, vic BT222454. Had sporadic contact in area. Res: 4 VC KIA (c), 5 VCS. Destroyed punji pit 2'x2'x4' of iron stakes.
58	2030		3/1, A/5/7, at 1532H, vic AT983356. Loc and dest 600 lbs of rice.
59	2030		3/1, C/5/7, at 1445H, vic BT046397. Loc and dest 800 lbs of rice.
60	2030		3/1, C/5/7, at 1400H vic BT051401. Loc & dest 5 tons rice. VN in area stated that VC moved it to hill and gave it to NVA.
61	2030		3/1, B/1/35, at 1633H, vic BT103431, fired 81mm at BT110412 and had secondary explosion, neg res.
62	2030		3/1, B/1/9 at 1620H, vic BT217465. OH-13 rec'd 1 rd SA fire. Res no hits. 20', 40 knots.
63	2030		3/1, A/5/7 at 1550H vic AT978351. Loc & dest 300 lbs of rice.
64	2200		198, A/1/6 at 2117H, vic BS504874. Two rds of M79 fire landed on NE side of perimeter. Res: 2 WHA (evac), 1 WHA (minor).
65	2212		3/1, 2/12, at 2145H and 2211H vic BT025347. Obs lights 500m NW of LZ Ross. Local Dist HQ could not identify them. Rec'd clearance to fire fr ARVN and at 2211H fired arty into vic BT025347.
66	2220		QUANG HANH Dist HQ, RF, at 1500H, vic BS563634. RF Co on OP contacted VC plt, res 15 VC KIA and neg frd cas.
67	2220		QUANG NGAI between 0930H – 1615H vic BS5778, 5678, 5679, Opn QT724 in conjunction with Opn MUSCATINE, res 111 VC KIA (most by air), 11 VC CIA, 37 wpns CIA. (unofficial report)
68	2245		3/4, C/1/10 at 2212H vic BS820348. Rec'd incoming fire either 60mm or M79 (2 rds), neg cas or damage. Fired illum.

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