

ORGANIZATION OR INSTALLATION

S2/S3

4th Bn, 31st Inf

196th Inf Bde

LOCATION

IZ WEST

AT 990251

Period covered

FROM

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0001

01 Aug 69

2400

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ITEM NO	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS ETC	ACTION TAKEN	INIT
	IN	OUT			
1.	0001		(U) Journal opened by SP4 Terald Graves (TG) RTO.		TG
2.	0030		(C) CO C Co (CPT Murphy): Sqd/2d plat raid location AT 903215.	S M	TG
3.	0110		(U) CO C Co: Sqd/2d plat closed IZ Siberia.	S M	TG
4.	0230		(C) Artillery Liaison (CPT Wolfe) to S3 (MAJ Lee): CPT Wolfe directed fire from a 10ch, charger 595 on the following targets: 01-0100H, AT 819217, lights and 2 campfires, fired 105's HE; 010120H, AT 938215, campfire, fired 105's HE; 010140H, AT 935201, light, fired 1 round of illumination; 010210H, AT 995238, campfire, mortars fired HE and WP.	S M	TG
5.	0520		(U) CO B Co (CPT Gayler): 2d plat closed night ambush at Co's NDP (Refer to entry 45 on 31 Jul 69).	S M	TG
6.	0605		(U) CO A Co (CPT Mantell): 1st and 2d plats departed Co's NDP (Refer to entry 45 on 31 Jul 69).	S M	TG
7.	0650		(U) Forward Air Control (FAC) Helix 16: Entered FCA.	S	TG
8.	0715		(U) CO B Co: Co moving at this time.	S	TG
9.	0715		(U) SP4 Michael Wilson (MW) relieved SP4 Terald Graves as RTO.		MW
10.	0715		(U) FAC (Helix 16): Departed FCA.	S	MW
11.	0725		(U) Bde S2 to S2 (CPT Akiona): Weather Report: General area: mostly cloudy with occasional rain shower in morning and afternoon; 3 day outlook: little change; low visibility: 7 miles; low ceiling: 2500 scattered; temp: H-99° L-79°; rel hum: 85% and 50%; den alt: 3200 and 2000; IAS: 29.65; AW: SW 10-15 knots gusting to 20 knots inland E/NE 5-10 knots; Bmt: 020538; SR: 020627; SS: 011916; EENT: 012005; MR: 01-2153; MS: 020922; Illum: 88%.	S	MW
12.	0820		(U) CO D Co (CPT Mekelsen): 1st plat moving.	S	MW
13.	0830		(U) CO A Co: 1st and 2d plats closed NDP	S M	MW

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13.	(Continued)	(U) (Refer to entry 45 on 31 Jul 69).					
14.	0830	(C) Bde Artillery to S3: 1st Marine Div requests clearance for Air Strikes in the following areas: (1) AT 980267 (2) AT 946269 (3) AT 951267; Time Frame: 020600H-021800H Aug 69.			S M Neg clearance given by 1LT Johnson to Bde Arty.		MW
15.	0845	(C) CO B Co: Location at DDP AT 982324.			S M		MW
16.	0905	(C) Bde S3 to S3: Division requests clearance for Herbicide Mission in area as follows: by 1LT Johnson from AS 9093 to AS 9194; Designator HKA; Time on Target: 030950H Aug 69; request clearance for fire for fire; request frequencies, callsigns, and locations of all units in target area to contact prior to mission; under control of Americal Forward Air Control (FAC).			S M Cleared to Bde S3 (Received by SPL Strohler).		MW
17.	0940	(C) CO D Co: 1st plat location AT 965255.			S M		MW
18.	0950	(U) Saber 74: Entered FCA.			S		MW
19.	1030	(C) CO D Co: 1st plat location AT 964262.			S M		MW
20.	1030	(C) S2 to Bde S2: Request that an Aerial Personnel Detector (APD) Sniffer Mission be flown on 02 Aug 69 in the following area: from ZC 1822 NE along FCA boundary to AT 8126 E to AT 8526 S to AT 8521 SW to AT 8017 NW to ZC 1822.			S M Bde S2 (Received by SPL Reese).		MW
21.	1140	(U) Saber 74: Departed FCA.			S		MW
22.	1145	(C) CO D Co: 1st plat location AT 963256.			S M		MW
23.	1200	(U) SPL Earl Eickelberger (EE) relieved SPL Michael Wilson as RFO.					EE
24.	1220	(U) FAC (Helix 02): Entered FCA.			S		EE
25.	1243	(U) FAC (Helix 02): Departed FCA to the E.			S		EE
26.	1245	(C) CO D Co: 1st plat location AT 960265.			S M		EE
27.	1315	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Change in activities for 01 Aug 69 is as follows: 1 plat/Co C will conduct a cordon and search of the village			S M Bde S3 (Received by SPL Trogdon).		EE
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			0001	01 Aug 69	2400	01 Aug 69
27.	(Continued)	(C) An Long #3 at AT 965297; this operation will be a joint operation with 14 National Police members working with 1 plat/Co C; the operation is based on intelligence of a detainee/VCS captured 31 Jul 69; the detainee/VCS is being taken into the area by the National Police in order to pinpoint fellow VC/				
28.	1320	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Additional activities for 01 Aug 69 is as follows: Co A will conduct a show of force for pacification purposes in field battle formation in the following grids: AT 8824, AT 8924, AT 9024, AT 9124, AT 9224, and AT 9225.			S M Bde S3 (Received by SP4 Trogdon).	EE
29.	1325	(U) Task Force (TF) Echo: Element closed DDP.			S M	EE
30.	1340	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Activities for 02 Aug 69 is as follows: Co A will conduct search and clear operations in area (AT 930250, AT 930260, AT 965270, AT 967261, AT 930250) with particular emphasis on checking out Highway 534 for mines and possible ambush sites. Co B will continue screening operations in assigned area of zone (AT 990282, along AO boundary to AT 928310, along new Marine AO boundary to AT 970356, along 2-5 ARVN boundary to AT 990282); conduct search and clear operations in area (1st plat AT 9631, 2d plat and CP AT 9632, and 3d plat AT 9633). Co C will continue to secure LZ Siberia and make improvements on this fire support base; be prepared to accept 1 mine sweep team from Co A/26th Eng for overnight stay. Co D will continue to secure LZ West; conduct search and clear operations in area (AT 967261, AT 965270, BT 000280, BT 000270, AT 967261) with particular emphasis on checking out Highway 534 for mines and possible ambush sites. Task Force Echo will continue screening operations in assigned zone (AT 990282, along AO boundary to AT 928310, along new Marine AO boundary to AT 990282); conduct search and clear operations in area (Recon) of grid squares AT 9830, and 3d plat/Co C AT 9730.			S M Bde S3 (Received by SP4 Trogdon).	EE

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196th Inf Bde			0001	01 Aug 69	2400	01 Aug 69
ITEM NO	TIME IN	TIME OUT	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS ETC		ACTION TAKEN	
31.	1353		(C) 3-21 Inf S2 to S2: Co D/3-21 Inf questioned local people at BT 053203 this morning, and the people said there were 200 NVA and 100 VC in their area; 5-7 days ago the 200 NVA moved to the West and 2 days ago the 100 VC moved in the same direction; both NVA and VC were armed with AK47s and 10 M-60 machineguns.		S M	
32.		1353	(C) S2 to Bde S2: Request Aerial Personnel Detector (APD) Sniffer Mission be flown in the following area: from AT 9824 E to BT 0323 SW to AT 9713 NW to AT 9315 NE to AT 9824; Time on Target: 011800H-011900H Jul 69; reason is for intelligence report from Co D/3-21 Inf (Refer to entry 31). NOTE: If APD Mission cannot be run, request Red Haze Mission at 2000 hours; if both of these cannot be run, request change of previously scheduled APD mission (Refer to entry 20) be run in the above box; change previously scheduled APD box to Red Haze to be run at 2000 hours.		S M Bde S2 (Received by SP4 Reese).	
33.		1420	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Night activities for 01 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will NDP with 1st plat and CP ambush at AT 930254; 2d plat ambush at AT 957266; 3d plat ambush at AT 944262. Co B will NDP AT 960328 with 4th plat combat patrol at AT 975324. Co C will NDP LZ Siberia with 1st plat night raid at AT 880220. Co D will NDP LZ West and provide local security. Task Force Echo will NDP AT 982319.		S M Bde S3 (Received by SP4 Trogon).	
34.	1430		(C) Bde S3 to S3: Special Forces request clearance for Sky Spot at grids AT 949113 and AT 955115; Time Frame: 011800H-020600H Aug 69.		S M Cleared by 1LT Johnson to Bde S3 (Received by PFC Butler).	
35.	1440		(C) CO D Co: 1st plat location AT 995258.		S M	
36.	1440		(C) Bde S2 to S2: In reference to the APD Sniffer Mission that was requested earlier (Refer to entry 32), the mission will be run in the following area: from AT 9824 E to BT 0424 S to BT 0421 W to AT 9821 N to AT 9824.		S M	
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37.	1500	(C) Bde S3 to S3: 101st Airborne Div requests clearance of AO extension for the purpose of combat operations in the following area: from BT 045020 to BT 0002 S to BS 0095 SE to BS 020937; Time Frame: ASAP to 102400H Aug 69.			S M Approved by 1LT Johnson to Bde S3 (Received by SP4 Hayes).		EE
38.	1615	(C) Bde Aviation to S3: The 5th Marines reported that an aerial observation mission was flown on this day and spotted 100 VC/NVA at AT 993393 moving SW.			S M Co A, Co B, and Co C was notified.		EE
39.	1618	(U) CO D Co: 1st plat closed IZ West.			S M		EE
40.	1627	(U) CO B Co: 3d plat moving.			S		EE
41.	1718	(U) CO B Co: 3d plat closed DDP (Refer to entry 15).			S M		EE
42.	1722	(C) CO E Co (1LT Brandon): Line Nine Report: 1-7, 2-1, 3-6, 4-12, 5-20, 6-32, 7-32, 8-0, and 9-0.			S Bde S2		EE
43.	1735	(U) SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) relieved SP4 Earl Eickelberger as RT0.					RJ
44.	1745	(U) CO A Co: Co moving at this time.			S		RJ
45.	1800	(C) Bde S2 to S2: URS reports there is an unknown size enemy force at AT 965175 at a radius of 1800 meters.			S M Arty from IZ Siberia fired on grid with area well covered and neg surveillance.		RJ
46.	1815	(U) CO B Co: Co moving to NDP (Refer to entry 33).			S		RJ
47.	1815	(C) CO B Co: Co's Kit Carson scouts spotted 2 VC at 200 meters from DDP position (AT 982-324); also spotted 2 NVA WAC's with carbines; engaged the 2 VC with M-16 fire and they evaded successfully to the East; distance of engagement was at 200 meters.			S M Bde S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).		RJ
48.	1830	(U) Task Force Echo: Location at NDP (Refer to entry 33).			S M		RJ
49.	1850	(U) CO B Co: Location at NDP (Refer to entry 33).			S M		RJ
50.	1920	(C) CO B Co: 15 VC were spotted across a rice paddy at AT 967333; distance spotted was at 300 meters; 5-6 VC were moving SW; a VN			S M Bde S2		RJ
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50.	(Continued)		(C) female was questioned and she said they were VC.	Arty was called on grid, and 1 secondary explosion was observed.	
51.	2002		(U) CO B Co: Night ambush is moving (Refer to entry 33).	S	RJ
52.		2003	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Request action be taken to cancel AO extension #50 requested by LTC Henry and approved by COL Tackaberry; area requested is as follows: from BT 015216 NW to AT 980230 SW to AT 950160 S to AT 950140 E to AT 960140; Time Frame was: 241900H Jul 69-031800H Aug 69.	SM Bde S3	RJ
53.	2030		(U) Task Force Echo: 1 trip flare went off at NDP (Refer to entry 33), and 1 claymore mine was set off with neg results at this time; another trip flare will be set up, and another claymore will be installed; the area will be checked out tomorrow (02 Aug 69).	S M Bde S2	RJ
54.	2100		(C) Bde S3 to S3: APD Sniffer Mission results that was run this day (Refer to entry 36) are as follows: Max Readings: AT 931111, AT 956168, AT 963179, AT 962187, AT 964187, AT 966209, AT 976176, AT 998198, AT 982213, BT 002204, BT 020204, BT 022199, BT 026200, BT 001214, BT 003213, BT 002218, BT 008216; Substantial Readings: AT 980175, AT 933174, AT 985204, AT 987203, AT 994209, AT 997217, BT 015205, AT 956188; Sus Max Readings: AT 933157, AT 935152, AT 957168, AT 964167, AT 965188, AT 970186, AT 965166, AT 969164, AT 968176, AT 973175, AT 958198, AT 960199, AT 955191, AT 957195, BT 003182, BT 008178, AT 988189, AT 993195, BT 010192, BT 017187, BT 002197, BT 006195, BT 005203, BT 010199, BT 008208, BT 014207, BT 004211, BT 008209.	S M	RJ
55.	2130		(U) CO A Co: Location at NDP (Refer to entry 33).	S M	RJ
56.	2140		(U) CO B Co: Night ambush is in position (Refer to entry 33).	S M	RJ
57.	2350		(U) CO B Co: 2d plat is moving.	S	RJ
58.	2400		(C) Summary: Co A conducted sweep along		

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8 Hours Until Maintenance

Tail Number 528

<u>OUT</u>	<u>IN</u>	<u>SORTIE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>MISSION</u>
0845	0915	6	1 Hr 00 Min	Co B
0900	1010	3	1 Hr 30 Min	LZ Siberia, LZ Center
1055	1125	4	2 Hr 00 Min	LZ Center
1305	1420	2	3 Hr 15 Min	V/R
1420	1445	3	3 Hr 40 Min	Refuel, Co B
1530	1610	4	4 Hr 20 Min	Que Son and Return
1710	1750	4	5 Hr 00 Min	Milk Run
TOTAL		26	5 Hr 00 Min	

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SCHEDULED FIRES

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MORTARS WEST

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BT 015220
BT 016219
BT 016218
BT 015217
BT 008211
BT 000217
AT 995217
AT 985227
AT 980236
AT 995217
AT 962243
AT 961255

106 WEST

BT 002240
AT 998232
AT 980232

QUAD 50 WEST

AT 9825

MORTARS WEST

81MM

AT 999225
BT 001225
BT 002225
BT 004225
BT 003246
BT 004246
BT 004247
BT 004245
BT 005246

QUAD 50 SIBERIA

AT 926230

MORTARS SIBERIA

81MM

AT 920229
AT 926229
AT 928227
AT 929224
AT 930225
AT 924222
AT 927223
AT 925219
AT 914207
AT 913206
AT 913205
AT 919262
AT 900198
AT 900206
AT 898203
AT 903200
AT 907200
AT 915200

105's WEST

2100H 1 gun
1 rd 1 X 1
grid TOT
AT 977197
AT 977195
AT 978193
AT 978190
AT 977188
TOT 0130H
AT 978178
AT 975174
AT 976177
AT 974173
Plat 1 2300H
AT 956186
AT 940295
AT 938288

105's SIBERIA

Plat 1 2400H

AT 903184
AT 905185
AT 913178
AT 917174
AT 920177
AT 898176
AT 889188
AT 926266
AT 943248
AT 944283

155's WEST

0100H 1 gun

1 rd 1 X 1
grid TOT
AT 922140
AT 923138
AT 924137
Plat 1 0130H
AT 976166
AT 888165

175's ROSS

0200H Plat 1

AT 802199
AT 802219
AT 805243

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FIRE MISSIONS

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<u>TIME</u>	<u>REPORTED OR CALLED</u>	<u>GRID</u>	<u>NATURE OF TGT</u>	<u>SHOT BY</u>	<u>ROUNDS</u>
0055	Liasion (CPT Wolfe)	AT 825227	Moving lights	105's Siberia	47
0125	"	AT 933219	Campfire	"	10
0145	"	AT 935201	Lights	"	1 Illum
0205	"	AT 996243	Campfire	Mortars West	27 HE
0240	MortarsWest (1LT Brandon)	BT 013220	T O T	Mortars West	15 81MM 20 4.2
0700	S2 (CPT Akiona)	AT 870242	Navigationa	105's Siberia	2
0730	AO 18D	AT 986128	Registration	155's West	8
1015	Co C FO	AT 977305	Confirmed En Loc	105's West	48
1600	AO 30 (Center)	BT 006214	VC in open	105's Center	59
1833	S2	AT 965175 AT 960183 AT 978178	URS	105's Siberia	12
1920	Co B FO	AT 967333	5 VC	105's West	48
2015	Liasion	AT 985191	T O T	105's Siberia	12
2015	"	AT 980193	T O T	155's West	9
2015	"	AT 982192	T O T	105's West	12
2015	"	AT 983191	T O T	105's Center	12
2310	Co C CO (CPT Murphy)	AT 896229	Sus Movement	Mortars Siberia	1

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1.	0001		(U) Journal opened by SP4 Terald Graves (TG)		TG
2.	0010		RTD. (U) CO C Co (CPT Murphy): Sqd/1st plat moving. S		TG
3.	0010		(C) Summary on combined operation Cordon and search with 31 NPFF from Que Son and 2-member team from IPW Baldy (Refer to entry 27 on 01 Aug 69): At 0900 hours, the NPFF received 15 rounds of small arms sniper fire while en-route to AT 965298 from AT 966325 at AT 962-318 from the West. 1 NPFF returned fire with the BAR with unknown results, and the NPFF continued on with mission. At 1030 hours arrived at area where Hamlet Chief supposed to be, instead, found 2 women who said the Hamlet Chief is on the other side of the hill, via AT 952297. Further check revealed nothing, and the detainee was lying and was taken to LZ Baldy. IPW team leader was SP4 Michael Krumanaker.		
4.	0040		(U) CO B Co (CPT Gayler): 4th plat night patrol closed Co' NDP (Refer to entry 33 on 01 Aug 69).	S M	TG
5.	0130		(C) CO C Co: Sqd/1st plat location AT 893234.	S M	TG
6.	Delayed Report 0130		(U) S2 (CPT Akiona) to Bde S2: This readout was sent to Bde on incident involving Co B at 311915H Jul 69 (Refer to entry 63 on 31 Jul 69): Recon Plat also involved receiving 40-50 rounds of small arms sniper fire from an undetermined amount of VC armed with AK47's; distance of engagement was at 250 meters; returned fire with M-60 fire and M-16 fire with neg results; the VC successfully evaded to the North; 1 US personnel got a slight grazing wound above the right eye.	S M Bde S2 (Received by SP4 Linton).	TG
7.	0205		(C) Bde Artillery to S3 (MAJ Lee): Tam Ky requests clearance for Air Strikes in the following areas: (1) AT 964130 (2) Box: from AS 9695 to AS 9696 to BS 0596 to BS 0597 (3) Box: from AT 9409 to AT 9412 to AT 9612 to AT 9609; Time Frame: 020600H-022100H Aug 69.	S M Cleared by 1LT Johnson to Bde Arty (Received by SGT Jones).	TG

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8.	0210		(U) CO C Co: Sqd/1st plat closed LZ Siberia.		S M	TG
9.	0325		(C) Bde S3 to S3: Americal Div CG reports that Hoi Chanh, Nguyen Kay Thanh, from Qui Nhon of VC committee who rallied to US personnel on 31 July 69 gave following information: VC offensive "Delta" is to begin countrywide after 01 Aug 69 - primary objective is to kill US personnel, and all preparations have been completed countrywide; signal to begin offensive will be a radio signal from Coyvn; ratings: B-2.		S All elements were notified by secure except Co D which was notified by Land Line.	TG
10.	0600		(U) Bde S2 to S2: Weather Report: General area: mostly cloudy to partly cloudy afternoon and evening, rain showers and thunderstorms; low vis: 7 miles; low ceiling: 2500 scattered; temp: H-97° L-79°; hum: 85% 50%; den alt: 3200 and 2100; air warm: SW 10-19 knots gust to 20-25 inland variable to NE 5-12 knots along coast; IAS: 29.57; hmt: 03-0538; SR: 030628; SS: 021915; EENT: 022005; MH: 022232; MS: 031017; ILLUM: 80%.		S	TG
11.	0650		(U) CO B Co: Element moving at this time.		S	TG
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14.	0710		(U) Forward Air Control (FAC) Helix 02: Entered FCA.		S	MW
15.	0743		(C) S3 to Bde S3: Request Sky Spot at AT 945-304 for tactical operations; Time Frame: 03-1800H-040600H Aug 69; also request night owl to have bomb drop on the following grid: AT 934294 for tactical operations.		S M Bde S3 (Received by CPT Long at 0745 hours).	MW
16.	0800		(C) Task Force (TF) Echo (CPT Wineman): Element location at DDP (AT 982313).		S M	MW
17.	0800		(U) FAC (Helix 02): Departed FCA.		S	MW
18.	0845		(U) Buzzsaw 27: Entered FCA on Aerial Personnel Detector (APD) Sniffer Mission.		S	MW
19.	0845		(C) CO A Co: CP location AT 939259; 1st plat location AT 937257.		S M	MW
20.	0845		(U) CO D Co (CPT Mekkelson): Element moving.		S	MW
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21.	0850		(C) Bde Artillery to S3: Tam Ky requests clearance for Air Strikes in the following 2 areas: (1) AT 964130 (2) Box: from AT 9409 to AT 9412 to AT 9809 to AT 9812; Time Frame: 030600H-032100H Aug 69.	S M Cleared by 1LT Johnson to Bde Arty.		MW			
22.	0855		(C) CO B Co: CP and 2d plat location at DDP AT 958323; 1st plat location AT 960315.	S M		MW			
23.	0930		(C) CO D Co: Co (-) location AT 987266.	S M		MW			
24.	1025		(C) CO D Co: Co (-) location at DDP AT 986274.	S M		MW			
25.	1040		(C) Bde S2 to S2: Readout of APD Sniffer Mission that run this day (Refer to entry 18) is as follows: Max Readings: AT 807255, AT 825210, AT 826252, AT 830255, AT 833257, AT 835258, AT 838259, AT 840250, and AT 846248.	S M		MW			
26.	1115		(U) CO D Co: 2d and 3d plats moving.	S		MW			
27.		1120	(C) S2 to Bde S2: Request that a visual recon be flown on 03 Aug 69 at 0700H-0800H in the following area: from ZC 1822 NE along FCA boundary to AT 8126 E to AT 8526 S to AT 8521 SW to AT 8017 NW to ZC 1822	S M Bde S2 (Received by SP4 Reese).		MW			
28.	1145		(C) CO D Co: 2d plat location AT 976268; 3d plat (-) location AT 995275, sqd/3d plat location AT 982273.	S M		MW			
29.	1150		(U) FAC (Helix 16): Entered FCA.	S		MW			
30.		1150	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Request a Cav gun team for the purpose of V/R over AO where troops will cordon and search area of: from AT 990300 NW to AT 930310 SW to AT 900280 E to AT 990280 N to AT 990300; Time requested: 04-0700H Aug 69.	S M Bde S3		MW			
31.	1230		(U) SP4 Earl Eickelberger (EE) relieved SP4 Michael Wilson as RTO.			EE			
32.	1310		(U) CO D Co: All elements closed Co's DDP (Refer to entry 24).	S M		EE			
33.	1315		(U) TF Echo: Recon Plat closed DDP (Refer to entry 16).	S M		EE			
34.		1445	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Activities for 03 Aug 69	S M Bde S3 (Received by SP4 Tregdon).		EE			
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34.		(Continued)	(C) are as follows: Co A will conduct Highway security in area A1 (AT 966261, AT 965-270, AT 930266, AT 930250, AT 966261, and move to PL Red AT 935281, AT 952280, BT 009-275 as directed). Co B will move to PL Blue (AT 934304, AT 976299, AT 985300, BT 013296). Co C will continue to secure IZ Siberia; provide 1 reinforced sqd to move from road in Hiep Due with Eng sweep team on road sweep, to meet sweep team proceeding from IZ Ross; provide OP3 on IZ O'Connor AT 935243 to overwatch convey. Co D will continue to secure IZ West; conduct Highway security in area D1 (AT 965270, AT 966261, BT 000270, BT 000280, AT 965270); provide OP1 at BT 003246 and OP2 at AT 975250 to overwatch convey; release 1 plat to Bn control at 020600H Aug 69; move to PL Red (AT 935281, AT 952280, BT 009275, as directed). Task Force Echo will move to PL Blue (Ccos)		
35.		1445	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Night activities for 02 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will conduct CP and 2d plat (-) ambush at AT 953264; 2d plat ambush at AT 948262; 3d plat ambush at AT 958266 and AT 966267; 1st plat ambush at AT 931253 and AT 939258. Co B will NDP AT 956323 with 1st plat ambush at AT 958325. Co C will NDP IZ Siberia and provide local security. Co D will conduct 2d plat (-) and CP ambush at AT 970268; will continue to NDP IZ West; 2d plat (-) ambush at AT 966266 and AT 974273; 3d plat ambush at AT 983272, AT 987275, and AT 994275; 4th plat (destroyer) ambush at AT 985273; 1st plat will remain on IZ West for security. Task Force Echo will NDP AT 975314 and 3d plat/Co C will ambush at AT 928313.	S M Bde S3 (Received by SP4 Tregdon).	EE
36.	1523		(U) Saber 76: Entered FCA.	S	EE
37.	1615		(C) CO Co B: At 1615 hours AT 957322, Co found 2 small caches of rice totaling 450 lbs (2/3 polished and 1/3 unpolished); rice will be bagged and extracted to IZ West; also found 3 500 lb creaks and 1 small creak (creaks were	S M Bde S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).	EE

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37.	(Continued)	(C) net in good condition and were destroyed).				
38.	1635	(C) CO E Co (1LT Brandon): Line Nine Report: 1-16, 2-1, 3-15, 4-84, 5-33, 6-117, 7-115, 8-2, and 9-2.	S Bde S2		EE	
39.	1635	(C) CO B Co: At 1630 hours AT 957322, 1 VCS was detained, approximate age 20, and detainee said that he was a VC Guerrilla; he was in a hut dressed in black shorts, but he cannot be extracted today; he will be extracted tomorrow to IZ West; unit in field has interpreter for immediate tactical use.	S M Bde S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).		EE	
40.	1722	(C) CO B Co: At 1715 hours AT 960315, 1st plat engaged and killed 1 VC male at 50 meters evading South; he was carrying 2 packs containing food, clothing, and khaki uniform; also had papers with VC stamp; his approximate age was 25.	S M Bde S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).		EE	
41.	1722	(C) Saber 76: A mission was flown this day (Refer to entry 36) with the following results: AT 804245, spotted 4 20X20 huts and 2 4X6 cave entrances; AT 804244, spotted 3 bunkers reinforced; AT 805245, spotted well used trail that had been used in the last 3-15 hours; AT 8025, spotted a cornfield and ricefield.	S M Bde S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).		EE	
42.	1730	(U) SP4 Redger Johnson (RJ) relieved SP4 Earl Eickelberger as RT0.			RJ	
43.	1745	(U) CO B Co: 3d plat location at NDP (Refer to entry 35).	S M		RJ	
44.	1805	(U) CO D Co: All elements moving to night activities (Refer to entry 35).	S		RJ	
45.	1810	(U) TF Echo: Moving to DDP (Refer to entry 35).	S		RJ	
46.	1840	(C) TF Echo: While moving out of DDP, received a large but unknown amount of AK fire from 1 or 2 size (sqd) forces in grid AT 980-315; fire came from a SE direction at a distance of 250 meters across an open rice paddy.	S M Bde S2 155's fired at grid. (Received by SP4 Lefournier).		RJ	
47.	1950	(U) TF Echo: Location at NDP (Refer to entry 35).	S M		RJ	
48.	2000	(C) TF Echo: 5-6 rounds of sniper fire was	S M Bde S2 (Received by SP4 Begnard).		RJ	
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48.	(Continued)		(C) received while moving in NDP (Refer to entry 35); distance of fire was approximately 600 meters.	Artillery was fired.	
49.	2030		(U) CO A Co: All elements except 3d plat are in position for night activities (Refer to entry 35).	S M	RJ
50.	2150		(U) CO A Co: 3d plat is in position for night activities (Refer to entry 35).	S M	RJ
51.	2200		(U) Bde S2 to S3: Visual Recon mission requested for tomorrow has been disapproved (Refer to entry 27).	S	RJ
52.	2345		(U) LZ West at Red Alert Status.	S	RJ
53.	2400		(C) Summary: Co A conducted search and clear operations in assigned area with particular emphasis on checking out Highway 534 for mines and possible ambush sites with neg results. Co B continued screening operations in assigned zone; conducted search and clear operations in assigned area resulting in 1 VC KIA, 1 VCS detained (the KIA had 2 packs containing food, clothing, and khaki uniforms; he also had papers with VC stamp); also found 2 small caches of rice totaling 450 lbs (2 polished and 2 unpolished) which was extracted to LZ West for storage; also found 3 500 lb cracks and 1 small crack which was all destroyed. Co C continued to secure LZ Siberia and made improvements at this fire support base; accepted 1 mine sweep team from Co A/26th Eng for overnight stay; there were no incidents. Co D continued to secure LZ West and conducted search and clear operations in assigned area with particular emphasis on checking out Highway 534 for mines and possible ambush sites with neg results. Task Force Echo continued screening operations in assigned zone and conducted search and clear operations in assigned 2 areas with neg results.		
54.	2400		(U) Journal closed by SP4 Rodger Johnson RTO.		RJ

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0925	1035	6	1 Hr 00 Min	LTC, Co A, Co B, Co C, Recon
1145	1350	3	3 Hr 05 Min	LZ Baldy and Return, Chu Lai
1530	1555	2	3 Hr 30 Min	LZ Baldy and Return
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MORTARS SIHERIA

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AT 920230
AT 926230
AT 924223
AT 925220
AT 926222
AT 928224
AT 930226
AT 914207
AT 913200
AT 916200
AT 900205
AT 906209
AT 870240
AT 869240
AT 869241
AT 871241
AT 882254
AT 883255
AT 883253
AT 884252

105's SIHERIA

AT 834257
AT 833255
AT 833253
AT 834250
AT 841240
AT 843240
AT 845239
AT 847238
AT 80219X
AT 843191
AT 983191
AT 957178
AT 952219
AT 946305
AT 965209

155's WEST

AT 883191
AT 896180
AT 947216
AT 965200
AT 966198
AT 967196
AT 978178
AT 970177
AT 949208
AT 930219

175's ROSS

AT 865253
AT 805242
AT 818223
AT 787172

MORTARS WEST

4.2

AT 996218
BT 002225
AT 984222
AT 970230
AT 987209
AT 973213
AT 960228
AT 962214
AT 972220
AT 950227
AT 961255
AT 962243
AT 958248

MORTARS WEST

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FIRE MISSIONS

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<u>TIME</u>	<u>REPORTED OR CALLED</u>	<u>GRID</u>	<u>NATURE OF TGT</u>	<u>SHOT BY</u>	<u>ROUNDS</u>
0230	Liaison (CPT Wolfe)	BT 019203, BT 022200, BT 015205, BT 014203, BT 009207, BT 013206, BT 007209, BT 004209, BT 004213, BT 001214, BT 005195, AT 998216, AT 996213, AT 982212, AT 987201, AT 984202, AT 997197.	Max Sniffer	155's West	204
0938	Recon	AT 988320	VC in woodline	"	15
1240	S-2	AT 835257	Max Sniffer	175's ROSS	8
1345	AO 28	Chg3 AT 87452215 Chg4 AT 86402272 Chg5 AT 84992220 Chg6 AT 84282392 Chg7 AT 82712114	Registration	105's Siberia	67
1330	Mortars West (1LT Branden)	BT 014222	"	Mortars West	33 4.2 3 81MM
1715	Co C FO	AT 9925032200	Sus En Location	155's West	4
1740	Higher	AT 983376 AT 984370 AT 985375	Intelligence	"	6
1835	Recon	AT 980304	Contact (small arms)	"	15
1955	"	AT 98683079	Known En Location Contact	"	18
2110	"	AT 983313	Sus En Location	"	6
2130	"	AT 979307	D T's	"	2

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1.	0001		(U) Journal opened by SP4 Terald Graves (TG) RTO.		TG	
2.	0045		(C) CO B Co (CPT Gayler): Radar on LZ Siberia picked up 3-4 personnel moving North at AT 896228.	S M Mon-TG tars from Siberia fired, area well covered possible 3 KIA area will be checked in morn- ing.		
3.	0050		(U) LZ West at Yellow Alert Status.	S	TG	
4.	0230		(C) Bde Artillery to S3 (MAJ Lee): Tam Ky requests clearance for Air Strikes in the following box: from AS 9895 to AS 9898 to BS 0598 to BS 0595; Time Frame: 030600H-032100H Aug 69.	S M Cleared by 1LT Johnson to Bde Arty (Received by SGT Jones).	TG	
5.	0400		(U) LZ West at Green Alert Status.	S	TG	
6.	0605		(U) CO A Co (CPT Mantell): All elements except CP moving.	S	TG	
7.	0630		(U) CO B Co: 3d plat moving to their day laager.	S	TG	
8.	0700		(U) SP4 Michael Wilson (MW) relieved SP4 Terald Graves as RTO.		MW	
9.	0715		(U) Bde S2 to S2 (CPT Akiona): Weather Report: General area: fair to partly cloudy and warm; 3 day outlook: mostly cloudy and warm; low vis: 7 miles; low cell: 2500 scattered; temp: H-99° L-79°; rel hum: 85% and 50%; den alt: 3200 and 2100; IAS: 29.52; air warn: SW to NW 5-15 knots, gusty 20-25 knots inland; BMNT: 040538; SR 040628; SS: 031915; EENT: 032004; MR: 032310; MS: 041110; illum: 71%.	S	MW	
10.	0740		(U) Task Force Echo (CPT Wineman): 3d plat/Co C moving.	S	MW	
11.	0750		(C) CO B Co: 1st plat location AT 951302.	S M	MW	
12.	0810		(U) Forward Air Control (FAC) Helix 13: Entered FCA.	S	MW	
13.	0830		(U) CO B Co: Element moving at this time.	S	MW	
14.	0840		(U) FAC (Helix 13): Departed FCA.	S	MW	

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15.	0840		(C) CO C Co (CPT Murphy): OP #3 location at AT 934243.	S M	MW
16.	0850		(U) Bde CO (COL Tackaberry) arrived IZ West.	S	MW
17.	0920		(C) Task Force Echo: At 0820 hours AT 979307, element received an unknown amount of small arms fire from an estimated sqd size enemy force as they were crossing a rice paddy; there were neg casualties and contact was broken at 0830 hours; the area is now being searched out by this element; at 1055 hours, clothing, documents, and medicine was found in area.	S M Bde S2 (Received by SP4 Reese)	MW
18.	0940		(C) Bde Artillery to S3: Request clearance for Air Strike at AT 964136; Time Frame: 040600H-041800H Aug 69.	S M Cleared by S3 Air (CPT Whittecar) to Bde Arty.	MW
19.	0950		(C) CO D Co (CPT Mekkelson): OP #1 is in location at BT 003246.	S M	MW
20.	1000		(C) CO D Co: OP #2 is in location at AT 978250.	S M	MW
21.	1015		(C) CO B Co: At 1000 hours AT 956322, 2d plat engaged 1 male VC at 150 meters dressed in black PJ's with neg pack or weapon; the VC successfully evaded to the NW.	S M Bde S2 (Received by SP4 Reese)	MW
22.	1020		(U) Puzzle 91: Convey at Check-point Q.	S	MW
23.	1020		(U) Firebird 97: Entered FCA.	S	MW
24.	1025		(U) Puzzle 91: Convey at Check-point S.	S	MW
25.	1035		(U) Puzzle 91: Convey at Check-point U.	S	MW
26.	1035		(U) Puzzle 91: Convey at Check-point V.	S	MW
27.	1037		(U) Puzzle 91: Convey at Check-point W.	S	MW
28.	1039		(U) Puzzle 91: Convey at Check-point X.	S	MW
29.	1047		(U) Puzzle 91: Convey at destination: Hiep Duc.	S	MW
30.	1100		(C) CO B Co: At 1100 hours, AT 975327: 3d plat engaged 1 VC at approximately 300-400 meters evading South dressed in black PJ's, approximate age 26-30; by SP4 Reese)	S M Bde S2 (Received by SP4 Reese)	MW

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30.	(Continued)		(C) he had neg pack or weapon resulting in 1 VC KIA.				
31.	1105		(U) CO D Co: 4th plat (destroyer) moving.	S	MW		
32.	1105		(U) Firebird 97: Departed FCA.	S	MW		
33.	1110		(C) Bde S3 to S3: Request clearance for Herbicide Mission in the following area: from AT 9513 to AT 9406 to AS 9995; Designator HHP; Time on Target: 040625H Aug 69; request clearance for fire for fire; also request locations, frequencies, and callsigns of all units in target area to contact prior to mission; under control of Americal FAC.	S M	MW		
				Cleared by S3 to Bde S3 (Received by SP4 Hays).			
34.	1130		(C) CO B Co: At 1130 hours AT 957322, 2 females were detained; reason for detainment was that they might have some tactical information that could be of some use to us (Refer to entry 39 on 02 Aug 69; this is an addition).	S M Bde	MW		
				S2 (Received by SP4 Bo-guard).			
35.	1150		(U) CO D Co: 4th plat closed day laager.	S M	MW		
36.	1205		(U) Puzzle 91: Convoy moving at Check-point I.	S	MW		
37.	1205		(U) FAC (Helix 14): Entered FCA.	S	MW		
38.	1210		(U) Puzzle 91: Convoy moving at Check-point I.	S	MW		
39.	1215		(U) FAC (Helix 14): Departed FCA.	S	MW		
40.	1216		(U) Puzzle 91: Convoy moving at Check-point W.	S	MW		
41.	1220		(U) Puzzle 91: Convoy moving at Check-point V.	S	MW		
42.	1224		(U) Puzzle 91: Convoy moving at Check-point U.	S	MW		
43.	1228		(U) Puzzle 91: Convoy at Check-point T.	S	MW		
44.	1230		(U) SP4 Earl Eickelberger (EE) relieved SP4 Michael Wilson as RTO.		EE		
45.	1230		(C) CO B Co: Location at DDP position AT 968312.	S M	EE		
46.	1233		(U) Puzzle 91: Convoy moving at Check-point S.	S	EE		
47.	1242		(U) Puzzle 91: Convoy moving at Check-point R.	S	EE		

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48.	1242		(C) Task Force Echo: Location at DDP location AT 972303.	S M	EE			
49.	1244		(U) Puzzle 91: Convoy moving at Check-point Q.	S	EE			
50.	1252		(U) Puzzle 91: Convoy moving at Check-point P.	S	EE			
51.	1252		(U) FAC (Helix 11): Entered FCA on station.	S	EE			
52.		1335	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Activities for 04 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will attack in zone (AT 945268, AT 945288, AT 967286, AT 965268, AT 945268) from South to North. Co B will attack in zone (AT 947294, AT 949301, AT 953307, AT 960306, AT 971308, AT 968292, AT 947294) from North to South. Co C will continue to secure LZ Siberia and make improvements to this fire support base. Co D (1st plat under Battalion control) (-) will attack in zone (AT 965268, AT 967286, AT 963284, AT 993267, AT 965268) from South to North. Task Force Echo will attack in zone (AT 968292, AT 971308, AT 990304, AT 984292, AT 968292) from North to South.	S M Bde	EE	S3 (received by SP4 Trogdon).		
53.	1338		(U) CO B Co: 1st plat closed DDP (Refer to entry 35).	S M	EE			
54.	1410		(U) CO D Co: 2d and 3d plats closed CP's location.	S M	EE			
55.	1415		(C) Saber 76: At 1415 hours AT 950220, some trails were spotted that have been frequently and recently used; also in same grid, found a tunnel entrance that is about 3 X 3' in diameter; at AT 948223, a crater was spotted with a trail running through it and has been used in the last 12 hours.	S M Bde	EE	S2 (Received by SP4 Reese); LZ Karen notified at 1845 hours.		
56.	1418		(C) CO A Co: Location at DDP location AT 957266.	S M	EE			
57.	1419		(U) S3 to Bde S2: 4-31 Inf requests Mighty Mite (hand carried generator) after 3-21 Inf has released it.	S Bde S2	EE	(Received by SP4 Reese): approved at 1430 hours.		
58.	1435		(U) FAC (Helix 16): Entered FCA.	S	EE			
59.	1520		(U) FAC (Helix 16): Departed FCA.	S	EE			
60.	1615		(C) FAC (Helix 16): Entered FCA for Air Strike at	S M	EE			

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60.	(Continued)		(C) AT 817216.				
61.	1630		(C) FAC (Helix 16): Results of Air Strike: At AT 817216, 8 500 lb bombs and 4 500 lb Napalms were expended with BDA 90/100, resulting in 1 small secondary explosion.	S M	EE		
62.		1725	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Night activities for 03 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will conduct 2d plat ambush at AT 949281; 1st plat ambush at AT 935274; CP and 3d plat ambush at AT 956279. Co B will NDP AT 967307 with sqd/2d plat ambush at AT 969308. Co C will NDP IZ Siberia with sqd/2d plat night raid at grid AT 8821. Co D will conduct CP and 4th plat (destroyer) ambush at AT 976277; 2d plat ambush at AT 980277 and AT 986276; 3d plat ambushes at AT 970277 and AT 973277; 1st plat will remain on IZ West for security. Task Force Echo will NDP AT 975302 and provide local security.	S M Bde	EE		
			(U) CO D Co: Element moving to NDP.	S	EE		
64.	1745		(U) SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) relieved SP4 Earl Eickelberger as RTO.		RJ		
65.	1747		(U) CO A Co: Element moving to NDP.	S	RJ		
66.	1750		(U) Task Force Echo: Element moving to NDP.	S	RJ		
67.	1810		(C) CO E Co (1LT Brandon): Line Nine Report: 1-13, 2-5, 3-13, 4-26, 5-17, 6-43, 7-26, 8-0, 9-17.	S Bde	RJ		
68.	1811		(U) CO D Co: OP's closed IZ West with neg surveillance.	S	RJ		
69.	1813		(U) CO B Co: Location at night laager (Refer to entry 62).	S M	RJ		
70.	1815		(U) CO D Co: Location at night laager (Refer to entry 62).	S M	RJ		
71.	1815		(U) Task Force Echo: Location at night laager (Refer to entry 62).	S M	RJ		
72.	1910		(U) CO A Co: All elements are in position for night activities.	S M	RJ		
73.	1940		(C) FAC (Helix 16): Entered FCA for Air Strike at AT 934295.	S M	RJ		
74.	2000		(C) Task Force Echo: At 1815 hours AT 975302, 2 male VC and 5 mamasons with 5 babysons were spotted evading to the West; the 2 VC males were engaged resulting in 1 VC KIA and 1 detainee; KIA was 30-35 years of age wearing black PJ's and sandals with	S M Bde	RJ		

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74.	(Continued)		(C) neg pack or weapon; the detainee is wearing green clothing and sandals with neg pack or weapon, age 16-18 (detainee is VC and knows of a big rice cashae at AT 975302).									
75.	2000		(C) Task Force Echo: At NDP (AT 975302), 5-6 rounds of sniper fire was received from an E direction about 100-250 meters out; artillery was called with results unknown at this time.	S M Bde RJ	S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).							
76.	2000		(C) CO B Co: At 1850 hours AT 967307, 4 VC were engaged at a distance of 400 meters moving in a NE direction; they had 2-3 weapons; there were neg results.	S M Bde RJ	(Received by SP4 Parks).							
77.	2000		(C) Task Force Echo: At 1950 hours AT 975302, 1 VN female was detained, age 20, wearing green top with black bottoms; she identified the male detainee as a VCS (Refer to entry 74).	S M Bde RJ	S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).							
78.	2030		(C) FAC (Helix 16): Results in Air Strike: At AT 934295, 20 500 lb bombs were expended with BDA 100/80, resulting in area well covered.	S M	RJ							
79.	2045		(C) CO A Co: At 2040 hours AT 961281, 1 VC was spotted by the 1st plat; there was no engagement but tried to capture him, but the VC evaded successfully into out target area; 1 VN female was questioned and she said in the mountain area of out target area, there are 1 plat of NVA and 1 plat of VC in a tunnel complex which is deep for bomb and artillery strikes (she stated that the children told her).	S M Bde RJ	S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).							
80.	2145		(U) FAC (Helix 16): Departed FGA to the East.	S	RJ							
81.	2150		(C) Bde S3 to S3: Div requests clearance for Her- bicide Mission in the following area: from AT 9314 to AT 9611 to AT 9911 to BT 0208; Designator HHP; Time on Target: 050625H Aug 69; request clearance for return of fire for fire; also request frequencies, locations, and callsigns of all units in target area to contact prior to mission; under control of Americal FAC.	S M Bde RJ	S3 (Received by SP4 Bo-guard); approved by ILT Johnson.							
82.	2200		(C) Bde S3 to S3: 5th Marines spotted 100 VC/NVA moving South from AT 985385 moving at fast pace.	S M	RJ							
83.	2400		(C) Summary: Co A conducted Highway security in assigned area with neg results. Co B moved to PL Blue resulting in 1 VC KIA and 2 female VCS detained. Co C continued to secure LZ Siberia; provided 1 plat for Eng's for road sweep; provided OP3 on LZ 01 Corner									

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(C) AT 935243 to overwatch convoy with neg results.

Co D continued to secure LZ West; conducted Highway security in assigned area; provided OPl at BT 003246 and OP2 AT 975250 to overwatch convoy; released 1 plat to Bn control; moved to PL Red with neg results. Task Force Echo moved to PL Blue resulting in 1 VC KIA, 1 male VCS and 1 female VCS detained, and the finding of clothing, documents, and medicine.

84.

2400

(U) Journal closed by SP4 Rodger Johnson RTO.

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Rattler 17

Mr Alexander

20 Hours Until Maintenance

Tail Number 414

<u>OUT</u>	<u>IN</u>	<u>SORTIE</u>	<u>TIME+</u>	<u>MISSION</u>
0730	0925	9	2 Hrs 00 Min	Ce C, LZ Siberia
*Rattler 17 relieved by Rattler 16				
1015	1055	4	2 Hrs 40 Min	Task Force, LZ Siberia
*Rattler 17 back as C/C				
1400	1530	10	3 Hrs 00 Min	LZ Baldy, LZ Karen, LZ Siberia
1630	1730	= 4	4 Hrs 00 Min	Milk Run
TOTAL		23	4 Hrs 00 Min	

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41.	1718	(U) CO B Co: 3d plat closed NDP (Refer to entry 15).	S M	EE
42.	1722	(C) CO E Co (1LT Brandon): Line Nine Report: 1-7, 2-1, 3-6, 4-12, 5-20, 6-32, 7-32, 8-0, and 9-0.	S Bde S2	EE
43.	1735	(U) SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) relieved SP4 Earl Eickelberger as RTO.		RJ
44.	1745	(U) CO A Co: Co moving at this time.	S	RJ
45.	1800	(C) Bde S2 to S2: URS reports there is an unknown size enemy force at AT 965175 at a radius of 1800 meters.	S M Arty from 12 Siberia fired on grid with area well covered and neg surveillance.	RJ
46.	1815	(U) CO B Co: Co moving to NDP (Refer to entry 33).	S	RJ
47.	1815	(C) CO B Co: Co's Kit Carson scouts spotted 2 VC at 200 meters from DDP position (AT 982-324); also spotted 2 NVA WAC's with carbines; engaged the 2 VC with M-16 fire and they evaded successfully to the East; distance of engagement was at 200 meters.	S M Bde S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).	RJ
48.	1830	(U) Task Force Echo: Location at NDP (Refer to entry 33).	S M	RJ
49.	1850	(U) CO B Co: Location at NDP (Refer to entry 33).	S M	RJ
50.	1920	(C) CO B Co: 15 VC were spotted across a rice paddy at AT 967333; distance spotted was at 300 meters; 5-6 VC were moving SW; a VN	S M Bde S2	RJ

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1.	0001		(U) Journal opened by SP4 Terald Graves (TG) RTO.		TG
2.	0010		(U) CO C Co (CPT Murphy): 2d plat (sqd) departed LZ Siberia on night raid.	S	TG
3.	0205		(C) CO C Co: Sqd/2d plat location AT 888218.	S M	TG
4.	0205		(C) CO C Co: Sqd/2d plat location AT 891233.	S M	TG
5.	0230		(U) CO C Co: Sqd/2d plat closed LZ Siberia.	S M	TG
6.	0415		(U) CO E Co (1LT Brandon): Mortars reported that a trip flare went off in front of Bunker 10; there was suspected movement and 1 round of illumination was fired with neg sightings - at 0421 hours, 1 more round was fired with neg sightings again.	S	TG
7.	0630		(U) SP4 Michael Wilson (MW) relieved SP4 Terald Graves as RTO.		MW
8.	0635		(U) CO D Co: (CPT Mekkelsen) Element moving at this time.	S	MW
9.	0645		(U) CO B Co (CPT Gayler): Element moving.	S	MW
10.	0645		(U) Task Force Echo: Element moving at this time.	S	MW
11.	0720		(U) Saber 74: Entered FCA.	S	MW
12.	0730		(U) Task Force Echo: The situation report is neg.	S	MW
13.	0815		(C) CO D Co: CP and 4th plat (destroyer) location AT 975282; 2d plat location AT 973278; 3d plat location AT 973280.	S M	MW
14.	0840		(C) CO A Co (CPT Mantell): 1st plat location AT 966283; 2d plat location AT 964282; 3d plat and CP location AT 956283.	S M	MW
15.	0845		(C) CO A Co: 1st plat and CP location AT 962296; 2d plat location AT 964295; 3d plat location AT 957297.	S M	MW
16.	0850		(C) CO B Co: At 0800 hours AT 967306, 1 VCS was detained hiding in a foxhole dressed in black PJ's, S2 (Received approximate age 55, with neg pack or weapon; he will be taken to LZ West for interrogation.	S M Bde	MW
17.	0900		(C) Task Force Echo: Location at AT 972291.	S M	MW

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18.	0900		(C) CO D Co: At 0815 hours AT 975282, 40-50 sleeping positions were found that were dug in up under some big rocks; the positions were destroyed.				S M Bde MW (Received by SPl Linton).
19.	0900		(C) CO D Co: At 0900 hours AT 976283, 4th plat found 3 caves big enough for 5-6 people; inside of cave they found 1 US pistol belt, 1 VC poncho, and a few candles.				S M Bde MW S2 (Received by SPl Linton).
20.	0950		(C) CO D Co: 2d plat location AT 982281 and AT 985275; 3d plat location AT 975283.				S M MW
21.	1020		(U) Forward Air Control (FAC) Helix 02: Entered FCA.				S MW
22.	1030		(U) Saber 79: Entered FCA.				S MW
23.	1045		(U) FAC (Helix 02): Departed FCA.				S MW
24.		1050	(C) S3 (MAJ Lee) to Bde S3: Request for Air Support: Request CH-47 for an airlift of Co D from LZ West to a field location at AT 965306 and Co B from a field location at AT 965306 to LZ West; Recon Plat from a field location at AT 965306 to LZ West and 1 plat/Co C from a field location at AT 965306 to LZ Siberia; Time Frame: 050700H Aug 69-051800H Aug 69; sorties: 8; total packs: 255:				S M Bde MW S3 (Received by SPl Trogdon).
		SORTIE	ACFT	PZ/TIME	LZ/TIME	UNIT	
		1	CH-47	AT965306/0700	LZ West/0710	Co B	
		2	CH-47	LZ West/0710	AT965306/0720	Co D	
		3	CH-47	AT965306/0720	LZ West/0730	Co B	
		4	CH-47	LZ West/0730	AT965306/0740	Co D	
		5	CH-47	AT965306/0740	LZ West/0750	Recon	
		6	CH-47	LZ West/0750	AT965306/0800	Co D	
		7	CH-47	AT965306/0800	LZ Siberia/0810	Co C	
		*8	CH-47	LZ Siberia/0810	LZ Baldy/0820	Baldy Plat	
		2145 hrs	LZ and PZ are secure Frequency: Admin/Log 67.50				
			Ground Contacts: LZ West Norwood Fuel 91 AT 965306 Whiskey 90 (1st) Quebec 90 (24-6th) LZ Siberia Sierra 90				
25.	1125		(C) CO A Co: CP and 3d plat location AT 957285; 1st plat location AT 965273.				S M MW
26.	1130		(C) CO B Co: CP and 1st plat location AT 963297; 2d plat location AT 966297; 3d plat location AT 956297.				S M MW
27.	1135		(C) Task Force Echo: Location at AT 972293.				S M MW

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28.	1140		(C) Bde S3 to S3: Request clearance for Air Strikes in the following 2 areas: (1) AT 984172 (2) AT 830260; Time Frame: 050600H-051800H Aug 69.	S M	MW		
				Cleared by S3 Air (CPT Whittecar) to Bde S3.			
29.	1150		(U) Saber 79: Departed FGA.	S	MW		
30.	1200		(C) S5 LNO Hiep Duc (SFC Pacolba): The supplies that were delivered to Hiep Duc on convoy of 03 Aug 69 are as follows: (1) 200 bags of cement (2) 61 farm kits (3) 180 tin roofing sheets (4) 100 bags of whitewash (bag= 100 kilos) (5) 50 cases of fish source (6) 200 bags of white rice (bag= 45 kilos).	S M Bde	MW		
				S2 (Received by SP4 Trogdon).			
31.	1205		(C) Saber 76: General area: shows alot of recent activities in area, especially alot of tunnels and bunker complexes - (1) AT 845236, engaged and destroyed 1 covered hut covered with plastic canvas, VC type (2) AT 842241, engaged and destroyed 1 hut like #1 above (3) AT 827241, spotted 3 bunkers 4 X 4 reinforced with planking covered with mud; neg action taken (4) AT 821243, spotted well used trail leading to the West and then broken into alot of small ones (5) AT 819243, spotted 2 huts made of mud and log reinforcements; neg action taken (6) AT 817255, spotted alot of tunnel/bunker complexes covered with VC plastic bags (7) AT 817260, spotted alot of trails, and 9 bunkers with walls 3 to 4' thick; saw alot of foot tracks; also saw 2 ponchos spread out 4X6 VC type; 1 box grenades (looks like US type with the ordinance exposed (8) AT 818-263, spotted more bunkers and recent activities.	S M	MW		
				Sent to Co C, LZ Karen.			
32.		1220	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Activities for 05 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will conduct search and clear operations in assigned areas (1st plat grid AT 9327, 2d plat grid AT 9326, 3d plat grid AT 9426). Co B will conduct airlift to IZ West and assume defense of IZ West along with Bravo AO; conduct sqd size sweep along assigned route (AT 988248, AT 985245, AT 990242, AT 996242, AT 997248, AT 992251). Co C will continue to secure IZ Siberia and make improvements at that fire support base; assume control of 3d plat upon completion of airlift from current	S M Bde	MW		
				(Received by SP4 Trogdon).			

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32.	(Continued)		(C) operations area. Co D will conduct airlift from LZ West to LZ AT 965306 in Delta AO (AT 990-290 along AO boundary to AT 930302, along Marine boundary to AT 970356, along 2-5 ARVN boundary to AT 990290); conduct screening operations in zone (AT 943300 NE to AT 970350); conduct activities to find, fix, and destroy the enemy in Delta AO concurrently with screening mission. Task Force Echo will release 3d plat/Co C from OPCON to join parent unit effective upon completion of airlift; Recon Plat released to Battalion control upon completion of airlift from LZ AT 965306 to LZ West. Recon Plat will assist in the defense of LZ West.					
33.	1230		(U) SP4 Earl Bickelberger (EE) relieved SP4 Michael Wilson as RTO.		EE			
34.	1235		(C) CO D Co: At 1210 hours AT 973286, 4th plat found 1 cave 4 X 4; found in the cave were 5 pairs of black PJ's and some cooking and eating utensils which were destroyed in place.	S M Bde	EE			
35.	1235		(C) Long Range Recon Patrol (LRRP) Arkansas: At 1220 hours AT 962292, LRRPS found the following: (1) Alot of sleeping positions (2) Alot of camp fires used recently (3) Alot of parts to make all types of booby-traps (4) Alot of VC cigarette butts; found 1 Stars and Stripes newspaper dated 20 Jul 69.	S M Bde	EE			
36.		1253	(C) S3 to Bde S3: 4-31 Inf requests persistent CS drop; area to be covered: AT 930300, AT 950-300, AT 950303, AT 970303, AT 970300, AT 990300, AT 990290, AT 970290, AT 970280, AT 930280, and AT 930300; 1500 hectares; Time Frame: 090600H-091800H Aug 69.	S M Bde	EE			
37.	1310		(C) LRRP: "Arkansas" is in position at AT 962292 and situation report will follow.	S M Bde	EE			
38.	1330		(C) CO D Co: Location at AT 975283.	S M	EE			
39.	1330		(C) Task Force Echo: Location at AT 972303.	S M	EE			
40.	1445		(C) LRRP: At 1435 hours AT 962292, a small work shop was found with alot of bamboo shavings around; also found some boards approximately 7' long and 1" by SP4 Parks).	S M Bde	EE			

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40.	(Continued)		(C) foot wide - it is believed that these boards were used for a bed in a rock cave; also found some small pieces of paper with writing on them, and there is a trail on the West side of this location that runs off, too; 1 possible VC was observed 50 meters East of above location dressed in brown shirt but could not see VC below his wrist; it was not known if this VC had a weapon or not.				
41.		1510	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Night activities for 04 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will NDP AT 945279; sqd/1st plat ambush at AT 938276; sqd/2d plat ambush at AT 947225; sqd/3d plat ambush at AT 947262. Co B will NDP AT 967294 and provide local security. Co C will NDP IZ Siberia and provide local security. Co D will NDP IZ West and provide local security. Task Force Echo will NDP AT 967294 and provide local security.	S M Bde EE	33 (Received by SP4 Trogdon).		
42.		1510	(C) CO A Co: Location at AT 949281.	S M	EE		
43.		1510	(C) Task Force Echo: AT 973287 is present location.	S M	EE		
44.		1533	(C) Task Force Echo: Location at AT 976290.	S M	EE		
45.		1533	(U) FAC (Helix 11): Departed FCA.	S	EE		
46.		1600	(C) LRRP: At 1600 hours AT 961292, 1 VN boy was detained, approximate age 11 or 12; they will take him to Co B's location; the boy speaks some English; he will be extracted from Co B's location and be taken to IZ West; LRRPS will also be extracted because they have been compromised.	S M Bde EE	S2 (Received by SP4 Bo-guard).		
47.		1600	(U) CO D Co: Location of elements at IZ West.	S M	EE		
48.		1615	(U) Bde S3 to S3: During the month of August, expect a nationwide Communist offensive; initial attack will be conducted by the VC local forces and VC guerillas; standoff and sniper style attacks will be conducted against US installations and all military administration; purpose is to inflict maximum casualties and disrupt gun control; notify all personnel to increase vigilance and to especially be alert.	S	EE		
49.		1730	(U) SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) relieved SP4 Earl		RJ		

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49.	(Continued)		(U) Eickelberger as RTO.		
50.	1740		(C) CO E Co (1LT Brandon): Line Nine Report: 1-8, 2-8, 3-0, 4-0, 5-300, 6-300, 7-18, 8-16, 9-10.	S Bde	RJ
51.	1810		(U) Task Force Echo: Closed NDP (Refer to entry 41).	S M	RJ
52.	1810		(C) Task Force Echo: At 1720 hours AT 971301, 1 male VC was engaged and killed at 25 meters dressed in black PJ's, age about 30, and evading to the West by SP4 Parks). with neg pack or weapon; at same location 1 VCS was detained, age 18; also received 15-20 rounds of sniper fire from approximately 2 VC at 150 meters.	S M Bde	RJ
53.	1810		(C) Command and Control (C & C) Helicopter: At 1725 hours AT 964265, 1 male, approximately 54, was snatched by the C & C; reason for pickup is that he might have possible knowledge of the VC in the area; Co A was about 150 meters NE from snatch site; this male was dressed in brown shorts and brown shirt.	S M Bde	RJ
54.	1811		(U) CO B Co: Element moving.	S	RJ
55.	1830		(C) Bde S2 to S2 (CPT Akiona): Readout of APD Sniffer Mission that run: Max Sniffer readings: AT 978218, AT 973212, AT 981220, AT 945169, and BT 008211; Sustain Max readings: AT 938170, AT 944170, AT 946168, BT 005212, BT 018198, and BT 023197.	S M	RJ
56.	1840		(U) IRRP: Extraction was made.	S	RJ
57.	1900		(U) CO A Co: Location at NDP (Refer to entry 41).	S M	RJ
58.	2005		(U) CO A Co: 1st, 2d, and 3d plats are moving to night activities (Refer to entry 41).	S	RJ
59.	2020		(U) CO A Co: 1st and 2d plats are in position for night activities (Refer to entry 41).	S M	RJ
60.	2115		(U) CO B Co: Night ambush is in position (Refer to entry 41).	S M	RJ
61.	2125		(U) CO A Co: 3d plat is in position for night activities (Refer to entry 41).	S M	RJ
62.	2230		(C) Bde S3 to S3: IR Missions: Requisition #4-123, target #ID 0006 AR grids AT 9411 to BT 1807, to strip mission along road from 050600H-050615H Aug 69 - Requisition #4-133, target #ID 0016 AR grids AT 9030 to AT 9025 to BT 0025 to BT 0030 from	S M	RJ

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LZ WEST

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62.

(Continued)

(C) 050500H to 050600H Aug 69.

63.

2240

(U) CO D Co: Bunker 1 had suspected movement in front of their bunker; engaged with illumination and 2 M-26 grenades; there were neg sightings or results.

S

RJ

64.

2400

(C) Summary: Co A attacked in zone from South to North with neg results. Co B attacked in zone from North to South resulting in 1 VCS detained. Co C continued to secure LZ Siberia and made improvements at that fire support base. Co D attacked in zone from South to North with 1st plat under Battalion control resulting in finding of 40-50 sleeping positions dug in under some rocks; finding of 4 caves, 3 of which contained 1 US pistol belt, 1 VC poncho, and few candles - 1 cave had the following items: 5 pairs of black PJ's and some cooking and eating utensils. Task Force Echo attacked in zone from North to South resulting in 1 VC KIA and 1 VCS detained.

65.

2400

(U) Journal closed by SP4 Rodger Johnson RTO.

RJ

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	IN	OUT			
1.	0001		(U) Journal opened by SP4 Terald Graves (TG) RTO.		TG
2.	0005		(U) CO D Co (CPT Mekkelson): On IZ West, Bunker 15 had suspected movement to their front; illumination was fired with neg surveillance.	S Bde	TG S2 (Received by SP4 Linton).
3.	0510		(U) CO B Co (CPT Gayler): Sqd/4th plat ambush closed Co's NDP (Refer to entry 41).	S M	TG
4.	0625		(U) CO A Co (CPT Mantell): 1st, 2d, and 3d plats departed Co's NDP for day activities (Refer to entry 32).	S	TG
5.	0700		(U) SP4 Michael Wilson (MW) relieved SP4 Terald Graves as RTO.		MW
6.	0705		(U) Bde S2 to S2 (CPT Akiona): Weather Report: General area: partly cloudy and warm, rain showers and widely scattered thunder showers; 3 day outlook: little change; low vis: 7 miles; low ceil: 2500 and scattered; temp: H-98° L-80°; rel hum: 85% and 50%; den alt: 3400-2200; winds: SW to NW 10-20 gusting to 25 knots inland variable to 15 knots along coast; IAS: 29.5k; EMNT: 0539; SR: 0628; SS: 1914; EENT: 2003; MR: 0001; MS: 1255; Illum: 51%.	S	MW
7.	0715		(U) CO A Co: Aggressor 1 and 2 closed NDP (Refer to entry 41 on 04 Aug 69).	S M	MW
8.	0730		(U) CO B Co: 1st airlift of Co B has started (Refer to entry 32 on 04 Aug 69).	S	MW
9.	0740		(U) CO D Co: 1st airlift of Co D has started (Refer to entry 32 on 04 Aug 69).	S	MW
10.	0745		(U) CO C Co (CPT Murphy): 1st plat moving.	S	MW
11.	0750		(U) CO B Co: 2d airlift of Co B is inbound to IZ West (Refer to entry 32 on 04 Aug 69).	S	MW
12.	0800		(U) CO D Co: 2d airlift of Co D has started (Refer to entry 32 on 04 Aug 69).	S	MW
13.	0807		(U) CO B Co: 3d and final airlift of Co B has started including Recon Plat (Refer to entry 32 on 04 Aug 69).	S	MW
14.	0815		(U) CO B Co: Airlift is complete; also Recon Plat has completed airlift also (Refer to entry 32 on 04 Aug 69).	S	MW
15.	0820		(U) CO C Co: Airlift of 3d plat/Co C to IZ Siberia		MW

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	IN	OUT			
15.	(Continued)		(U) is complete (Refer to entry 32 on 04 Aug 69).		
16.	0845		(U) CO D Co: Airlift is complete (Refer to entry 32 on 04 Aug 69).	S	MW
17.	0900		(C) CO A Co: 1st plat location AT 938268; 2d plat location AT 939273.	S M	MW
18.	0930		(C) Bde S3 to S3 (MAJ Lee): 101st Airborne Div requests clearance for a chopper recon flight with free fire in the area as follows: from AT 9600 to BT 0002 to BT 0502; Time Frame: ASAP-051800H Aug 69.	S M	MW
				Cleared by S3 to Bde S3 (Received by PFC Barr).	
19.	0950		(C) Bde Artillery to S3: Tam Ky requests clearance for Air Strikes in the following 2 areas: (1) AT 942064 (2) Box: from AT 9409 to AT 9413 to BT 0209 to BT 0213; Time Frame: 060600H-062100H Aug 69.	S M	MW
				Cleared by S3 Air (CPT Whittecar) to Bde Arty (Received by PFC Barr).	
20.	1000		(U) Saber 71: Entered FCA.	S	MW
21.	1005		(C) CO D Co: Location at DDP AT 970316.	S M	MW
22.	1005		(C) CO C Co: 1st plat (-) location AT 872200, sqd 1st plat location AT 877203.	S M	MW
23.	1015		(C) CO A Co: 1st and 3d plats closed DDP AT 945-279.	S M	MW
24.	1025		(U) CO D Co: 4th plat (destroyer) and 1st plat moving.	S	MW
25.	1025		(C) Saber 71: At 1015 hours AT 957272, engaged 5 VC evading North dressed in black PJ's with neg pack or weapons resulting in 1 VC KIA; the other 4 VC evaded North successfully.	S M Bde	MW
				S2 (Received by SP4 Reese).	
26.	1040		(U) Forward Air Control (FAC) Helix 11: Entered FCA.	S	MW
27.	1040		(U) CO C Co: 1st plat closed IZ Siberia.	S M	MW
28.		1050	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Additional day activities for 05 Aug 69 are as follows: Co C will search and clear with 1 plat in area (AT 870220 to AT 890220 to AT 890200 to AT 870200). Co D will search and clear in area (AT 960310 to AT 960330 to AT 980310 to AT 980330).	S M Bde	MW
				S3 (Received by SP4 Trogdon).	
29.	1050		(U) Saber 71: Departed FCA.	S	MW

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30.

1050

(U) CO A Co: 2d plat closed DDP (Refer to entry 23).

S M

MW

31.

1100

(U) Basin 30A: Entered FCA on Aerial Personnel Detector (APD) Sniffer Mission.

S

MW

32.

1110

(C) CO D Co: 1st plat location AT 975313; 3d plat location AT 964317; 4th plat location AT 974324.

S M

MW

33.

1115

(U) FAC (Helix 11): Departed FCA.

S

MW

34.

1120

(U) Basin 30A: Departed FCA.

S

MW

35.

1135

(C) Bde Artillery to S3: Request clearance for a Sky Spot at AT 975186; Time Frame: 060600H-061800H Aug 69.

S M Bde

MW

Arty (Cleared by S3 Air; Received by PFC Barr).

36.

1155

(C) CO D Co: At 1155 hours AT 971322, 4th plat engaged 1 VC at 15 meters evading North dressed in black PJ's with neg pack or weapon resulting in 1 VC KIA.

S M Bde

MW

S2 (Received by SP4 Reese).

37.

1200

(U) CO D Co: 4th plat closed DDP (Refer to entry 21).

S M

MW

38.

1215

(C) MACV Sr Advisor HIEP DUC (CPT Brown): Request clearance for 2 RF companies and 2 sqds/National Police to search for a suspected VC plat in the area as follows: from AT 920250 to AT 960250, along the base of LZ West to AT 980240 to AT 980210 to AT 920210 to AT 920250; Time Frame: 052200H-061800H Aug 69.

S M Ap-

MW

proved by S3 Air to MACV Advisor at LZ Karen.

39.

1225

(U) CO D Co: 1st plat closed DDP (Refer to entry 21).

S M

MW

40.

1230

(U) SP4 Earl Eickelberger (EE) relieved SP4 Michael Wilson as RTO.

S

EE

41.

1240

(U) FAC (Helix 17): Entered FCA.

S

EE

42.

1252

(C) CO D Co: 3d plat location AT 960323.

S M

EE

43.

1300

(U) FAC (Helix 17): Departed FCA.

S

EE

44.

1325

(U) FAC (Helix 17): Entered FCA.

S

EE

45.

1340

(U) FAC (Helix 17): Departed FCA.

S

EE

46.

1415

(U) CO D Co: 3d plat closed DDP (Refer to entry 21).

S M

EE

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47.

1433

(U) FAC (Helix 14): Entered FCA.

S

EE

48.

1455

(U) FAC (Helix 14): Departed FCA.

S

EE

49.

1455

(C) CO D Co: At 1430 hours AT 957312, 1 male VCS was detained sleeping in a hut, age approximately 25, wearing black PJ's with neg pack or weapon.

S M Bde

EE

S2 (Received by SPL Bo-guard).

50.

1500

(C) S3 to Bde S3: Activities for 06 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will conduct search and clear operations in assigned area (1st plat grid AT 9329; 2d plat grid AT 9427; 3d plat grid AT 9425). Co B will continue to secure LZ West; conduct sweep along assigned route (AT 992251, BT 003246, BT 006253, BT 002256, AT 992252); conduct search and clear operations in area (AT 990221, AT 990210, BT 980210, AT 980228, along river to AT 990221). Co C will continue to secure LZ Siberia and make improvements at this fire support base. Co D will conduct search and clear operations in area (AT 9731, AT 9831, AT 9730, AT 9830). Recon Plat will assist in the security of LZ West.

S M Bde

EE

S3 (Received by PFC Hayes).

51.

1500

(C) S3 to Bde S3: Night activities for 05 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will NDP AT 926200; 1st plat will night raid AT 938278; 2d plat will night raid AT 938266; 3d plat will night raid AT 943264. Co B will NDP LZ West and provide local security. Co C will NDP LZ Siberia with 1st plat night raid in grids AT 8621 and AT 8721. Co D will NDP AT 970-318; 2d plat ambush at AT 972324 and AT 966317. Recon Plat will NDP LZ West and provide local security.

S M Bde

EE

S3 (Received by PFC Hayes).

52.

1520

(C) S2 to Bde S2: Request an APD (Sniffer) Mission be run in the following area: from ZC 1822 NE along FCA boundary to AT 8126 E to AT 8526 S to AT 8521 SW to AT 8017 NW to ZC 1822; Time Frame: 060700H-060800H Aug 69.

S M Bde

EE

S2 (Received by SPL Bo-guard).

53.

1600

(C) CO D Co: At 1600 hours AT 970316, found 50 CHUs approximately 50 meters from this location and a booby-trap made from a smoke grenade and 306 round; all were destroyed in place.

S M Bde

EE

S2 (Received by SPL Bo-guard).

54.

1710

(C) CO E Co (1LT Brandon): Line Nine Reports: 1-7, 2-7, 3-0, 4-0, 5-35, 6-35, 7-26, 8-0, and 9-9.

S Bde

EE

55.

1730

(U) SPL Rodger Johnson (RJ) relieved SPL Earl Eickelberger R.J.

as RTO.

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56.

1810

(U) CO D Co: Element moving at this time.

S

RJ

57.

1820

(U) CO D Co: Location at NDP (Refer to entry 51).

S M

RJ

58.

1835

(U) CO A Co: Element moving towards NDP.

S

RJ

59. 2015

(C) Bde S3 to S3: Request clearance for Air Strikes in the following grids: AT 968105, AT 995085, and AT 983138; Time Frame: 060600H-061200H Aug 69.

S M

RJ

Cleared by
1LT Johann
to Bde S3.

60.

2240

(U) CO D Co: Ambushes are in position (Refer to entry 51).

S M

RJ

61.

2240

(U) CO A Co: Location at NDP (Refer to entry 51).

S M

RJ

62.

2400

(C) Summary: Co A conducted search and clear operations in assigned area with neg results. Co B was airlifted to LZ West and assumed defense of this fire support base along with Bravo AO; conducted sqd size sweep along assigned route with neg results. Co C continued to secure LZ Siberia and made improvements at this fire support base; assumed control of 3d plat from Recon Plat after the completion of the airlift; conducted search and clear operations with 1 plat in assigned area with neg results. Co D was airlifted from LZ West to LZ AT 965306; conducted screening operations in assigned area; conducted activities to find, fix, and destroy the enemy in Delta AO concurrently with screening operations; conducted search and clear operations in assigned area resulting in 1 VC KIA, 1 VCS detained, also found a booby-trap made of a smoke grenade and a 306 round which was destroyed; found 1 CBU (50 units) approximately 50 meters from Co's DDP (AT 970316). Recon Plat assisted in the security of LZ West.

63.

2400

(U) Journal closed by SP4 Rodger Johnson RTO.

RJ

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05 August 69

Rattler 17

Mr Alexander

25 Hours Until Maintenance

Tail Number 453

OUT	IN	SORTIE	TIME	MISSION
0730	0750	2	0 Hr 20 Min	Co B and Return
0815	0850	2	1 Hr 15 Min	LZ Siberia and Return
1050	1300	2	2 Hr 30 Min	Que Son
1330	1420	5	3 Hr 10 Min	Co A, Co C, Refuel
1535	1610	2	3 Hr 40 Min	LZ Karen and Return
1700	1720	2	4 Hr 00 Min	V/R
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1.	0001		(U) Journal opened by SP4 Terald Graves (TG) RTO.		TG
2.	0125		(U) CO A Co (CPT Mantell): Night raids departed Co's ND) (Refer to entry 51 on 05 Aug 69).	S M	TG
3.	0225		(U) CO A Co: 2d plat night ambush closed Co's NDP (Refer to entry 51 on 05 Aug 69).	S M	TG
4.	0240		(U) CO A Co: 3d plat night raid closed Co's NDP (Refer to entry 51 on 05 Aug 69).	S M	TG
5.	0300		(U) CO A Co: 1st plat night raid closed Co's NDP (Refer to entry 51 on 05 Aug 69).	S M	TG
6.	0620		(U) CO A Co: Element moving at this time.	S	TG
7.	0635		(U) CO D Co (CPT Mekkelson): 2d and 4th (destroyer) plats departed Co's NDP (Refer to entry 51 on 05 Aug 69).	S M	TG
8.	0645		(U) CO D Co: 1st plat, CP, and FO group departed Co's NDP.	S M	TG
9.	0700		(U) Bde S2 to S2 (CPT Aktions): Weather Report: General area: mostly cloudy to partly cloudy with occasional rain in the afternoon with widely scattered thunder storms; 3 day outlook: little change; low vis: 7 miles; low ceil: 2500 scattered; temp: H-96° L-79°; hum: 85% and 50%; den alt: 3100 and 2000; IAS: 29.61; AW: W to SW 5-15 knots with occasional gust to 25 knots; HMT: 070539; SR: 07-0628; SS: 061914; EENT: 062003; MR: 070029; MS: 071349; Illum: 41%.	S	TG
10.	0700		(U) SP4 Michael Wilson (MW) relieved SP4 Terald Graves as RTO.		MW
11.	0700		(C) CO A Co: 1st plat, 3d plat, and CP group location at NDP AT 930253.	S M	MW
12.	0720		(U) CO A Co: 1st plat moving.	S	MW
13.	0720		(C) Blue Ghost White: Entered FCA on V/R; center of sector at AT 8221.	S M	MW
14.	0740		(U) CO B Co (CPT Gayler): 3d plat moving.	S	MW
15.	0745		(U) Recon Plat (CPT Wineman): Request permission to open the range on LZ West.	S Cleared by S3 Air (CPT Whittecar)	MW
16.	0745		(C) CO D Co: 1st plat location AT 980310; 3d and 4th plats location AT 976304.	S M	MW
17.	0750		(C) CO A Co: 2d plat location AT 941276.	S M	MW
18.	0755		(C) Bde S2 to S2: URS reports there are unknown	S M	MW

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18.	(Continued)		(C) size enemy forces at AT 948157 (radius of 800 meters) and AT 962174 (radius of 750 meters).	Arty fired from IZ	Siberia.										
19.	0755		(C) Bde Artillery to S3 (MAJ Lee): Request clearance for Air Strikes in the following 3 areas: (1) AT 952297 (2) AT 955300 (3) AT 956302; Time Frame: 070600H-071800H Aug 69.	S M Bde MW Arty (Neg clearance by S3 Air; received by											
20.	0800		(C) Blue Ghost #1: At 0800 hours AT 845217, spotted some bunkers that were under some lean-tos, and around these bunkers were some black PJ's and a green uniform; AT 804217, spotted 4 more bunkers under some lean-tos; AT 832213, spotted some well used trails in the tall grass along river; AT 824-216, spotted a camp site with about 20 bags of grain around the camp site (grain was destroyed with rockets); artillery fired from IZ Siberia at 0840 hours at grid AT 824216.	PFC BART). S M Bde MW S2 (Received by SPL4 Reese).											
21.	0800		(U) CO B Co: 3d and sqd/2d plats moving.	S	MW										
22.	0820		(U) Forward Air Control (FAC) Helix 11: Entered FCA.	S	MW										
23.	0830		(C) CO A Co: 1st plat location AT 939258; 2d plat location AT 940277; 3d plat location AT 945273.	S M	MW										
24.	0845		(C) Bde S3 to S3: 101st Airborne Div requests clearance for V/R in the following area: from AS 9996 to AT 9903 to BT 0503; Time Frame: ASAP-061800H Aug 69.	S M Bde MW Cleared by S3 Air to Bde S3 (Received by SPL4 Strohler).											
25.	0855		(U) CO A Co: 3d plat closed DDP (Refer to entry 11).	S M	MW										
26.	0900		(U) FAC (Helix 11): Departed FCA.	S	MW										
27.	0900		(C) CO D Co: At 0845 hours AT 980310, 2d plat engaged 1 VC at 250 meters evading South dressed in black PJ's, age 35, with neg weapon; he had 1 make shift pack containing black PJ's and VC poncho; this resulted in 1 VC KIA and pack with items were destroyed.	S M Bde MW S2 (Received by SPL4 Reese).											
28.	0935		(C) CO B Co: 3d plat location BT 005221.	S M	MW										
29.	0940		(C) CO D Co: 3d plat (-) location AT 986306, sqd/3d	S M	MW										

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					HOUR	DATE	HOUR	DATE
					0001	06 Aug 69	2400	06 Aug 69

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29.	(Continued)		(C) plat location AT 976307; 4th plat location AT 988309.		
30.	0945		(U) CO A Co: 1st plat closed DDP (Refer to entry 11).	S M	MW
31.	0950		(U) Recon Plat: The range on LZ West has been closed.	S	MW
32.	0955		(C) CO D Co: At 0945 hours AT 988309, 4th plat engaged 1 VC at 15 meters evading West dressed in black PJ's, approximate age 25, with neg weapon; he had 1 pack containing black PJ's and small amount of rice; this resulted in 1 VC KIA and 1 pack destroyed.	S M Bde	MW
33.	0955		(C) Bde S3 to S3: Division requests clearance for Herbicide Mission in the following area: from AS 8298 to AT 8500 to AS 8698 to AS 8998 to AS 9196 to AS 9596; (Designator HKA) Time on Target: 080955H Aug 69; request clearance for fire for fire; request clearance of locations, frequencies, and callsigns of all units in target area to contact prior to mission; under control of Americal FAC.	S M	MW
34.	1010		(U) CO A Co: 2d plat closed DDP; all elements are now at DDP (Refer to entry 11).	S M	MW
35.	1025		(C) Saber 72: Entered FCA on V/R; area: between 86 and 95 - 20 and 17 grid lines.	S M	MW
36.	1035		(U) FAC (Helix 13): Entered FCA.	S	MW
37.	1045		(C) CO D Co: 1st plat location AT 987312; 3d plat and 4th plat location AT 978309.	S M	MW
38.	1105		(U) FAC (Helix 13): Departed FCA.	S	MW
39.	1110		(C) CO B Co: 3d plat location AT 994219.	S M	MW
40.	1110		(C) CO D Co: 1st plat location at DDP AT 970318.	S M	MW
41.	1130		(U) Saber 72: Departed FCA.	S	MW
42.	1150		(U) CO B Co: Sqd/2d plat closed LZ West.	S M	MW
43.	1200		(U) SP4 Earl Eickelberger (EE) relieved SP4 Michael Wilson as RTO.		EE
44.	1310		(U) CO D Co: 2d and 4th plats closed DDP (Refer to entry 40).	S M	EE
45.	1333		(C) Bde S3 to S3: Tam Ky requests clearance for Air Strike in the following area: from AT 9719 to AT 9717 to BT 0616 to BT 0614; Time Frame: 070600H	S M	EE
			FCA is cleared	Part in 4-31's	

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45.

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(C) 071900H Aug 69.

46.

1355

(U) FAC (Helix 17): Entered FCA.

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EE

47.

1400

(U) Saber 72: Entered FCA on V/R.

S

EE

48.

1410

(C) CO D Co: At 1340 hours AT 970315, 1 male VCS was detained, age 35-40, dressed in black trousers and field jacket; he did not try to evade and had neg pack or weapon; also 1 manason and 1 babyson wants to go to Que Son.

S M Bde

EE

S2 (Received
by SP4 Reese).

49.

1410

(C) S3 to Bde S3: Activities for 07 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will conduct search and clear operations in areas (1) AT 9227 (2) AT 9126; sweep along assigned route (3) AT 910260, AT 900260, AT 890250, AT 890244, along river to AT 910260. Co B will continue to secure IZ West; conduct search and clear operations in areas (1) AT 9825, AT 9925 (2) AT 950233, AT 950240, AT 970240, AT 970233, along river to AT 950233. Co C's 3d plat will continue to secure IZ Siberia; Co (-) will conduct sweep along assigned route (AT 901232, AT 882220, AT 869-208, AT 867200, AT 863202). Co D will conduct search and clear operations in assigned area (AT 950290, AT 950320, AT 980320, AT 980290, AT 950290). Recon Plat will continue to assist in the security of IZ West.

S M Bde

EE

S3 (Received
by SP4 Trogdon).

50.

1410

(C) S3 to Bde S3: Night activities for 06 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will NDP AT 921259; sqd/1st plat ambush at AT 911263; sqd/2d plat ambush AT 917-270; sqd/3d plat ambush at AT 903259. Co B will NDP IZ West and provide local security. Co C will NDP IZ Siberia and provide local security. Co D will conduct ambush (1st plat) at AT 971311; 2d plat and CP ambush at AT 974311; 3d plat ambush at AT 977311. Recon Plat will NDP IZ West and provide local security.

S M Bde

EE

S3 (Received
by SP4 Trogdon).

51.

1415

(C) FAC (Helix 17): Results of Air Strike: At AT 810250, 20 500 lb bombs were expended, with BDA 90/80, resulting in 2 secondary fires.

S M

EE

52.

1430

(C) Bde S3 to S3: (1) 4-31 Inf will provide 1 rifle company to occupy IZ Center for a period of 3 days starting tomorrow (2) 4-31 Inf will maintain 1

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EE

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52.

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(C) rifle company for screening mission for Operation Durham Peak.

53.

1500

(C) S3 to Bde S3: Airlift Request: Request CH-47

S M Bde EE

for an airlift of Co B from IZ West to IZ Center and Co C from IZ Siberia to IZ West; Time Frame:

S3 (Received by PFC Hayes).

070700H-070810H Aug 69; sorties: 7; total packs: 170:

SORTIE

ACFT

PZ/TIME

IZ/TIME

UNIT

1

CH-47

IZ West/0700

IZ Center/0710

Co B

2

CH-47

IZ Center/0710

IZ Siberia/0720

-

3

CH-47

IZ Siberia/0720

IZ West/0730

Co C

4

CH-47

IZ West/0730

IZ Center/0740

Co B

5

CH-47

IZ Center/0740

IZ Siberia/0750

-

6

CH-47

IZ Siberia/0750

IZ West/0800

Co C

7

CH-47

IZ West/0800

IZ Center/0810

Co B

PZ's and IZ's are secure.

Frequency: Admin/Log 67.50

Contacts: IZ West Fued 91

IZ Center Reef 87 Bravo

IZ Siberia Sierra 90

54.

1505

(C) Saber 72: At 1505 hours AT 894187, spotted an

S M Bde EE

old base camp and looked like it had been destroyed at an earlier time and is now being rebuilt (did

S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).

not engage); also at AT 893181, spotted a rice cache size 3 X 5 X 10 (it was engaged but not destroyed).

55.

1515

(U) FAC (Helix 17): Departed FCA.

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EE

56.

1515

(U) Saber 72: Departed FCA.

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EE

57.

1700

(U) FAC (Helix 17): Entered FCA.

S

EE

58.

1710

(C) S3 to Bde S3: Change in activities for Co C is

S M Bde EE

as follows: Co C will continue to secure IZ Siberia; be prepared to reinforce 3-21 Inf on order (Re-

S3 (Received by PFC Hayes).

fer to entry 49).

59.

1715

(C) CO E Co (1LT Brandon): Line Nine Report: 1-6,

S Bde

EE

2-1, 3-5, 4-10, 5-8, 6-18, 7-18, 8-0, 9-0.

60.

1735

(U) CO B Co: 3d plat closed IZ West.

S M

EE

61.

1735

(U) SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) relieved SP4 Earl

RJ

Bickelberger as RFO.

62.

1835

(U) CO A Co: Element moving to NDP (Refer to entry

S

RJ

50).

63.

1855

(U) CO D Co: Element moving to NDP (Refer to entry

S

RJ

50).

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64.	1920		(U) CO A Co: Location at NDP (Refer to entry 50).	S M	RJ		
65.	1945		(U) CO D Co: Location at NDP (Refer to entry 50).	S M	RJ		
66.	2015		(C) S5 LNO Hiep Duc (SFC Pacolba): Intelligence Report: Readout on PF Co operation in grids AT 9225 E to AT 9625 SE to AT 9824 S to AT 9821 W to AT 9221 N to AT 9225, Company is RF 496; the results are as follows: captured on KIA were 2 AK47's with unknown serial numbers, and 1 flare pistol with unknown serial number; also captured 2 POW's who are: (1) Long Duc, age 25, messenger, Binh Son Village, AT 955228 (2) Cao Tai Ngo, age 27, messenger, Binh Son Village, AT 955228; also 4 Chieu Hoi's (all at 1400 hours): (1) AT 930219, Son Phuroc Village - Le Sanh, age 18, unknown position - Le Hyunh, age 21, secretary (2) AT 910267, Son Tay Village (all at 1400 hours): Tran Boi, age 23, teacher - Le Van Minh, age 35, teacher.	S M Bde	RJ		
67.	2050		(U) CO B Co: LP #4 is in position.	S	RJ		
68.	2143		(U) CO B Co: Bunker 19 reported some suspected movement in wire to their front; illumination was fired with neg results.	S	RJ		
69.	2155		(U) CO B Co: IP's 1 and 3 are in position.	S	RJ		
70.	2210		(C) Bde S3 to S3: Request clearance for following grids: AT 911166 and AT 917144; Time Frame: ASAP-070600H Aug 69.	S M	RJ		
71.	2211		(U) CO A Co: Night ambushes are moving (Refer to entry 50).	S	RJ		
72.	2215		(C) Bde S2 to S3: Infra-Red Mission results: AT 91101665 (12 emissions) and AT 91701440 (20 emissions).	S M	RJ		
73.	2230		(U) CO B Co: All IP's returned to inside of perimeter.	S M	RJ		
74.	2300		(C) Bde S3 to S3: Div requests extension #71 in area as follows: from AT 9117 to East BT 0317 South to BT 0305 left to AT 9105 North to AT 9117; Time Frame: 070001H-112400H Aug 69.	S M	RJ		
				Cleared by LTC Henry to Bde S3 (Received by PFC Ofstad).			

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1055	1110	2
1420	1515	2
1535	1635	4
1730	1755	3

0 Hr 40 Min
0 Hr 55 Min
1 Hr 45 Min
2 Hr 45 Min
3 Hr 20 Min

LTC to Co A and Rtn
LTC, MAJ, Co C
Co D
LZ Center
Milk Run

3 Hr 20 Min

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1.

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(U) Journal opened by SP4 Terald Graves (TG) RTO.

TG

2.

0030

(U) LZ West at Yellow Alert Status.

S

TG

3.

0230

(C) Bde Artillery to S3 (MAJ Lee): Request the following grids be cleared for Air Strikes: AT 9409, AT 9413, and BT 0209; Time Frame: 070600H-071800H Aug 69.

S M

TG

Cleared by NDO (1LT Johnson) to Bde Arty (Received by SGT Jones).

4.

0450

(U) CO A Co (CPT Mantell): All night ambushes have closed Co's NDP (Refer to entry 50 on 06 Aug 69).

S M

TG

5.

0625

(U) CO A Co: Element moving at this time.

S

TG

6.

0632

(U) CO D Co (CPT Mekelsen): 2d plat departed Co's NDP on sweep (Refer to entry 50 on 06 Aug 69).

S M

TG

7.

0644

(U) CO D Co: 3d plat moving on sweep.

S

TG

8.

0700

(U) SP4 Michael Wilson (MW) relieved SP4 Terald Graves as RTO.

MW

9.

0710

(U) Bde S2 to S2 (CPT Akiona): Weather Report:

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MW

General area: mostly cloudy to partly cloudy, rain showers in mountains; 3 day outlook: mostly cloudy; low vis: 7 miles; low cell: 2500 scattered; temp: H-97° L-79°; hum: 85% and 50%; den alt: 3200 and 2000; winds: SW to W 5-20 knots gust 25-30 inland SW to 5-10 knots gust 15-20 on coast; IAS: 29.51; BMNT: 0539; SR: 0626; SS: 1913; EENT: 2002; MR: 0114; MS: 1422; Illum: 31%.

10.

0710

(C) CO D Co: At 0710 hours AT 974302, engaged 1 VC at 75 meters evading West wearing black PJ's with neg pack or weapon resulting in 1 VC KIA, approximate age 25.

S M

Bde MW

S2 (Received by SP4 Reese).

11.

0715

(U) CO B Co (CPT Gayler): Sqd/1st plat moving.

S

MW

12.

0725

(U) Forward Air Control (FAC) Helix 02: Entered

S

MW

13.

0730

(C) FAC (Helix 02): Results in Air Strike: At 0730 hours at AT 825227, 12 500 lb bombs and 12 Napalms were expended, with BDA 80/50.

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MW

14.

0740

(C) CO A Co: Location at DDP AT 906258.

S M

MW

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15.

0750

(C) CO D Co: 2d plat location AT 966298; 3d plat location AT 975303.

S M

MW

16.

0800

(U) CO B Co: 2d plat moving.

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MW

17.

0805

(U) FAC (Helix 02): Departed FCA.

S

MW

18.

0810

(U) CO A Co: 1st, 2d, and 3d plats moving.

S

MW

19.

0825

(C) Bde S3 to S3: Brigade requests clearance for Air Strikes in the following areas: (1) AT 982318 (2) AT 987312 (3) AT 980315; Time Frame: 080600H-081800H Aug 69.

S M

MW

Neg clearance given by S3 Air (CPT Whittecar) to Bde S3 (Received by PFC Barr).

20.

0850

(C) CO A Co: 1st plat location AT 924273; 3d plat location AT 912268.

S M

MW

21.

0855

(C) CO B Co: Sqd/1st plat location AT 998257; 2d plat location AT 966243.

S M

MW

22.

0915

(C) CO D Co: 2d plat location AT 974301; 3d plat location AT 965311.

S M

MW

23.

0920

(C) CO A Co: At 0915 hours AT 927277, 1st plat detained 1 VCS dressed in green shirt and trousers, approximate age 17; he will be taken to LZ West for interrogation; he had neg pack or weapon.

S M

Bde MW

S2 (Received by SP4 Reese).

24.

0945

(U) CO A Co: 2d plat closed IDP (Refer to entry 14).

S M

MW

25.

1000

(U) CO A Co: 3d plat closed DDP (Refer to entry 14).

S M

MW

26.

1010

(C) CO D Co: At 1010 hours AT 974296, 3d plat engaged 2 NVA at approximately 20 meters evading West resulting in 1 NVA KIA with 1 pack and 1 AK47 captured (SN 68855, MODEL 63) and 2 1/2 clips of ammunition; the pack contained 1 NVA poncho and some clothes (pack was destroyed); the KIA was dressed in black shirt and khaki trousers, and the other NVA evaded successfully to the West.

S M

Bde MW

S2 (Received by LT Hanson).

27.

1020

(U) CO A Co: 1st plat closed DDP (Refer to entry 14).

S M

MW

28.

1045

(U) FAC (Helix 13): Entered FCA.

S

MW

29.

1110

(C) CO B Co: 2d plat location AT 967236.

S M

MW

30.

1115

(C) FAC (Helix 13): Results in Air Strike: At 1115

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MW

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(C) hours at AT 820244, 20 500 lb bombs were expended, with BDA 90/60, resulting in 2 structures destroyed.

31.

1115

(C) CO D Co: At 1115 hours AT 958297, sqd/2d plat engaged 1 VC at 50 meters evading East dressed in black PJ's, approximate age 25, with neg pack or weapon, resulting in 1 VC KIA.

S M Bde MW
S2 (Received by SP4 Reese).

32.

1120

(C) CO D Co: 2d plat location AT 955302; 3d plat location AT 968296.

S M MW

33.

1145

(U) CO A Co: EM with 104° temperature was extracted by the Command and Control (C & C) Helicopter to Charger Medevac Control; EM line number #4011.

S MW

34.

1230

(U) SP4 Earl Eickelberger (EE) relieved SP4 Michael Wilson as RTO.

EE

35.

1300

(C) CO B Co: 2d plat location AT 958238.

S M EE

36.

1325

(C) CO D Co: 3d plat location AT 964318.

S M EE

37.

1345

(C) S2 to Bde S2: Request a V/R run in the following area: from AT 8621 E to AT 9621 S to AT 9614 W to AT 8814 NW to AT 8621; Time Frame: 080700H-080800H Aug 69.

S M EE
Bde S2 (Received by SP4 Boguard).

38.

1350

(C) Bde Artillery to S3: 101st Airborne Div requests clearance for Scheduled Fires in the following grids: BT 0097, BT 0197, BT 0096, BT 0195, BT 0198, BT 0294, BT 0196; Time Frame: 071800H-080630H Aug 69.

S M EE
Cleared by S3 Air to Bde Arty (Received by ETC Butler).

39.

1410

(C) S3 to Bde S3: Night activities for 07 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will NDP AT 900253; 1st plat ambushes at AT 893246, AT 896250, and AT 902260. Co B will NDP LZ West and provide local security. Co C will NDP LZ Siberia and provide local security. Co D will NDP AT 964311 with 2d plat ambushes at AT 962319 and AT 957316. Recon Plat will NDP LZ West and provide local security.

S M Bde EE
S3 (Received by SP4 Trogdon).

40.

1410

(C) S3 to Bde S3: Activities for 08 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will conduct search and clear operations in assigned area A1 (2d plat grid AT 9026) A2 (3d plat grid AT 9127). Co B will continue to secure LZ West; conduct plat search and clear operations in assigned area (AT 9527 and AT 9627); conduct sqd sweep along route (AT 989248, AT 985248, AT 980250,

S M Bde EE
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(C) AT 978253, AT 983260, AT 989261, AT 990259, AT 990253). Co C will continue to secure LZ Siberia and make improvements at this fire support base. Co D will conduct search and clear operations in area (AT 940317, along new Marine AO boundary to AT 950320, AT 970320, AT 970290, AT 940290, along AO boundary to AT 940293, AT 940317). Recon Plat will conduct search and clear operations in assigned area (AT 970240, BT 000240, BT 000220, AT 970220, AT 970240).

41.

1500

(C) CO D Co: 2d plat location AT 964299; 3d plat location AT 960314.

S M

EE

42.

1520

(U) FAC (Helix 11): Entered FCA.

S

EE

43.

1520

(C) CO D Co: 2d plat location AT 967305.

S M

EE

44.

1530

(C) CO D Co: At 1515 hours AT 967305, 2d plat engaged 1 VC evading NE at 100 meters dressed in brown PJ's, age 20, with neg pack or weapon, resulting in 1 VC KIA; this VC was carrying a small bag of nuts.

S M Bde

EE

45.

1600

(U) CO B Co: 2d plat closed LZ West.

S M

EE

46.

1620

(U) CO D Co: 2d plat closed DDP.

S M

EE

47.

1710

(C) CO E Co (1LT Brandon): Line Nine Report: 1-23, 2-5, 3-18, 4-18, 5-34, 6-52, 7-40, 8-7, and 9-5.

S Bde

EE

48.

1730

(U) SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) relieved SP4 Earl Eickelberger as RT0.

RJ

49.

1835

(U) CO A Co: Element moving at this time.

S

RJ

50.

1900

(U) CO D Co: 3d plat closed DDP.

S M

RJ

51.

1901

(U) CO A Co: Location at NDP (Refer to entry 39).

S M

RJ

52.

1910

(U) CO D Co: Element moving towards NDP (Refer to entry 39).

S

RJ

53.

1930

(U) CO D Co: Element closed NDP (Refer to entry 39).

S M

RJ

54.

2117

(U) CO A Co: Ambushes departed NDP (Refer to entry 39).

S M

RJ

55.

2145

(C) Bde S3 to S3: 5th Marines spotted 50 NVA moving South from AT 978374.

S M

RJ

56.

2215

(U) CO A Co: All ambushes are in position (Refer to entry 39).

Co D notified.

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196th Inf Bde

LOCATION

LZ WEST

AT 990251

FROM

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HOOR

DATE

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DATE

0001

07 Aug 69

2400

07 Aug 69

ITEM

TIME

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INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS ETC

ACTION

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57.

2330

(U) CO B Co: Bunker 28 at LZ West had a trip flare go off.

S Engag RJ
ed with M-26
grenade and
there were
neg results.

58.

2400

(C) Summary: Co A conducted search and clear operations in assigned area and conducted a sweep along assigned route with results of 1 VCS detained. Co B continued to secure LZ West; conducted search and clear operations in assigned area with neg results. Co C continued to secure LZ Siberia. Co D conducted search and clear operations in assigned area resulting in 3 VC KIA, 1 NVA KIA, and the capture of 1 AK47 with 2 1/2 clips of ammo, and 1 pack which was destroyed. Recon Plat continued to assist in the security of LZ West.

59.

2400

(U) Journal closed by SP4 Rodger Johnson RTO.

RJ

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Roger C. Lee

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07 August 1969

C/C TIME

07 August 69

HERCULES WEST
H-7 FLYING BOAT

Rattler 4

Mr Cosmonski

23 Hours Until Maintenance

Tail Number 546

135°E SIBERIA

YESON TIME

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OUT	IN	SORTIE	TIME	MISSION
0730	0745	2	0 Hr 15 Min	R/S to LZ Siberia and Return
1140	1215	2	0 Hr 40 Min	EM from Co C to LZ Baldy and Return
1240	1400	3	2 Hr 00 Min	LZ Siberia, V/R
1400	1425	3	2 Hr 25 Min	Co A, Co D
1425	1455	2	2 Hr 55 Min	Refuel at LZ Baldy
1505	1620	3	3 Hr 20 Min	Co C, LZ Karen
1620	1630	2	3 Hr 30 Min	Co C
1640	1730	7	4 Hr 20 Min	Milk Run

24

4 Hr 20 Min

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4th Bn, 31st Inf		AT 990251		0001	08 Aug 69	2400	08 Aug 69
TIME NO	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS ETC	ACTION	IN		
	IN	OUT					
1.	0001		(U) Journal opened by SPL4 Terald Graves (TG) RTO.		TG		
2.	0030		(U) LZ West at Red Alert Status.	S	TG		
3.	0045		(U) CO B Co (CPT Gayler): Bunker 21 had suspected movement; Engaged with M-26 grenades; illumination was fired with neg surveillance.	S	TG		
4.	0320		(U) CO B Co: At 0250 hours, B C Scope on Bunker 7 spotted 3 individuals 200 meters out on the finger in front of Bunker 6; engaged with M-79's; at 0315 hours, B C Scope spotted 3 individuals again and again engaged with M-79 fire with neg results; illumination was fired with neg surveillance.	S	TG		
5.	0400		(U) LZ West at Yellow Alert Status.	S	TG		
6.	0615		(U) CO A Co (CPT Mantell): 3d plat departed Co's NDP (Refer to entry 39 on 07 Aug 69).	S M	TG		
7.	0630		(U) CO A Co: 2d plat departed Co's NDP (Refer to entry 39 on 07 Aug 69).	S M	TG		
8.	0640		(U) CO A Co: 1st plat night ambushes have all closed Co's NDP (Refer to entry 39 on 07 Aug 69).	S M	TG		
9.	0700		(U) SPL4 Michael Wilson (MW) relieved SPL4 Terald Graves as RTO.		MW		
10.	0710		(C) CO A Co: 3d plat location AT 912268.	S M	MW		
11.	0725		(U) CO D Co (CPT Mekkelson): Element moving at this time.	S	MW		
12.	0740		(C) CO A Co: 2d plat location AT 910269.	S M	MW		
13.	0740		(U) Forward Air Control (FAC) Helix 11: Entered FCA.	S	MW		
14.	0750		(U) CO B Co: Sqd/3d plat moving.	S	MW		
15.	0755		(U) CO D Co: Element is still moving.	S	MW		
16.	0755		(U) Recon Plat (CPT Wineman): Element moving at this time.	S	MW		
17.	0800		(C) FAC (Helix 11): Results of Air Strike are as follows: At 0800 hours AT 824245, 10 500 lb bombs were expended, with BDA 100/100, resulting in 2 duds and 2 structures destroyed.	S M	MW		
18.	0800		(U) Bde S2 to S2 (CPT Akiona): Weather Report: General area: mostly cloudy with rain showers in the North of our AO; 3 day outlook: mostly cloudy; GROUP 1.	S	MW		

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18.

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(U) low vis: 7 miles; low ceil: 2000 scattered;
temp: H-98° L-80°; rel hum: 90% and 50%; den alt:
3300 and 2100; LAS: 29.54; AW: SW 10-20 knots
gust 25-30 inland, variable 5-12 knots gust 15-18 knots
along coast; HMT: 090500; SR: 090629; SS: 081913;
EENT: 082002; MR: 090201; MS: 091536; Illum: 23%.

19.

0815

(U) CO B Co: 1st plat moving.

S

MW

20.

0815

(C) Bde Artillery to S3 (MAJ Lee): Request clear-
ance for Air Strikes in the following grids: (1)
AT 940279 (2) AT 945277 (3) AT 943274; Time Frame:
090600H-091800H Aug 69.

S M

MW

Neg clearance
Air (CPT Whit-
tecar) to Bde
Arty (Received
by PFC Barr).

21.

0820

(U) FAC (Helix 11): Departed FCA.

S

MW

22.

0900

(C) CO A Co: 2d plat location AT 905260; 3d plat
location AT 902259.

S M

MW

23.

0920

(U) CO A Co: 2d plat closed with Co.

S M

MW

24.

0925

(C) CO B Co: 1st plat location BT 001261; sqd/
3d plat location AT 988255.

S M

MW

25.

0930

(C) CO D Co: Location at DDP AT 962309.

S M

MW

26.

0945

(U) CO A Co: 3d plat closed with Co.

S M

MW

27.

0950

(U) CO D Co: 1st plat moving.

S

MW

28.

1000

(U) CO D Co: 4th plat (destroyer) moving.

S

MW

29.

1005

(U) Bde S3 to S3: Request time extension until
122400H Aug 69 on AO extension #65.

S Cleared MW
by S3 Air to
Bde S3 (Re-
ceived by SP4
Trogdon).

30.

1045

(U) FAC (Helix 16): Entered FCA.

S

MW

31.

1050

(C) CO D Co: 1st plat location AT 970302; 4th plat
location AT 951296.

S M

MW

32.

1100

(C) CO B Co: 1st plat location AT 969271; sqd/3d
plat closed with Co.

S M

MW

33.

1105

(U) CO D Co: 3d plat moving.

S

MW

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34.

1105

(C) Recon Plat: Location at AT 993241.

S M

MW

35.

1135

(C) FAC (Helix 16): Results of Air Strike: At 1135 hours AT 825235, 12 500 lb bombs were expended with BDA 90/80.

S M

MW

36.

1140

(C) FAC (Helix 16): Results of Air Strike: At 1140 hours AT 824242, 6000 rounds of 20 MM were expended, with BDA 100/100, resulting in 1 structure destroyed.

S M

MW

37.

1140

(C) CO D Co: At 1130 hours AT 950297, 4th plat engaged 2 VC at 30 meters evading South dressed in black PJ's with neg packs or weapons resulting in 2 VC KIA, ages approximately 25 and 35.

S M Bde

MW

S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).

38.

1150

(U) FAC (Helix 16): Departed FCA.

S

MW

39.

1200

(C) CO D Co: 1st plat location AT 963300; 3d plat location AT 956315.

S M

MW

40.

1210

(C) Recon Plat: Location at AT 983236.

S M

MW

41.

1210

(C) Bde S3 to S3: 4-31 Inf will be prepared to release 1 plat/Co C to 3-21 Inf to secure LZ East at 081300H Aug 69; direct coordination is authorized and directed between 4-31 Inf and 3-21 Inf.

S

MW

42.

1235

(U) CO D Co: 4th plat closed DDP (Refer to entry 25).

S M

MW

43.

1240

(U) SP4 Earl Eickelberger (EE) relieved SP4 Michael Wilson as RTG.

EE

44.

1300

(U) CO D Co: Sqd/2d plat departed DDP (Refer to entry 25).

S M

EE

45.

1320

(C) CO D Co: At 1320 hours AT 956316, 3d plat engaged 1 VC evading NW at 30 meters dressed in black PJ's with neg pack or weapon resulting in 1 VC KIA, age 30.

S M Bde

EE

S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).

46.

1345

(C) Bde S3 to S3: Request clearance for Herbicide Mission be run in the following area: from AS 899 to AS 9094; designator HHA; Time on Target: 10-0625H Aug 69; request clearance for fire for fire; also request callsigns, locations, and frequencies of all units to contact prior to mission; under control of Americal FAC.

S M

EE

Cleared by S3 to Bde

S3 (Received by SP4 Trog-

don).

47.

1400

(C) Recon Plat: Location at AT 983231.

S M

EE

48.

1410

(C) CO D Co: At 1355 hours AT 957316, 3d plat

S M Bde

EE

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48.

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(C) engaged 1 VC evading N/NE at 25 meters dressed in brown trousers and green shirt resulting in 1 VC KIA with neg weapon; he had pack containing 1 NVA hammock; age 20, and was wearing an NVA belt.

49.

1410

(C) CO D Co: At 1400 hours AT 957316, detained 3 male VCS, ages 30, 40, and 60; detained by the 3d plat, they will be brought to LZ West for interrogation.

S M Bde

EE

S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).

50.

1420

(C) S3 to Bde S3: Night activities for 08 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will NDP AT 898255; conduct sqd ambushes of: 1st plat at AT 902262 and AT 900-256, 2d plat at AT 906259 and AT 902251, and 3d plat at AT 896246. Co B will NDP LZ West and provide local security. Co C will NDP LZ Siberia and provide local security. Co D will NDP AT 961309; 4th plat ambush at AT 963308; 3d plat ambush at AT 960307. Recon Plat will conduct ambush at AT 985225.

S M Bde

EE

S3 (Received by SP4 Trog-

51.

1420

(C) S3 to Bde S3: Activities for 09 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will DDP at AT 898255 and provide local security. Co B will continue to secure LZ West; conduct sqd size sweep along route (AT 992-251, BT 003246, AT 990243, and return along route taken out); conduct plat size search and clear operations in area B (BT 010240, BT 010250, BT 013250, BT 027240, BT 010240). Co C will continue to secure LZ Siberia and make improvements at this fire support base. Co D will conduct search and clear operations in area (AT 950310, AT 950320, along new Marine AO boundary to AT 956330, AT 980330, AT 980310, AT 950310). Recon Plat will conduct search and clear operations in assigned area (AT 970220, AT 970240, BT 000240, BT 000220, AT 970220).

S M Bde

EE

S3 (Received by SP4 Trog-

52.

1440

(U) CO D Co: 2d plat closed DDP (Refer to entry 25).

S M

EE

53.

1445

(C) CO D Co: At 1445 hours AT 941312, 2d plat engaged 1 VC at 30 meters evading East dressed in brown shorts, age 35, with pack or weapon resulting in 1 VC KIA.

S M Bde

EE

S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).

54.

1445

(C) CO D Co: Sqd/2d plat location AT 941312.

S M

EE

55.

1520

(C) CO B Co: 1st plat location AT 981258.

S M

EE

56.

1550

(U) FAC (Helix 11): Entered FCA.

S

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57.	1600		(U) FAC (Helix 11): Departed FCA.	S	EE
58.	1605		(C) CO D Co: At 1605 hours AT 969302, 1st plat engaged 1 VC evading NW at 20 meters dressed in black shirt and brown shorts with neg pack or weapon resulting in 1 VC KIA, age 25.	S M Bde	EE
59.	1605		(C) CO D Co: At 1600 hours AT 969302, a cache of polished rice was found in a hut totaling 1000 lbs; rice was in 2 large bamboo type containers; rice will be taken to IZ West.	S2 (Received by SP4 Boguard).	
60.	1622		(U) CO B Co: 1st plat closed DDP.	S M Bde	EE
61.	1638		(U) FAC (Helix 17): Entered FCA.	S2 (Received by SP4 Boguard).	
62.	1645		(C) MACV Sr Advisor Hiep Duc (CPT Brown): Elements at Hiep Duc reports that there are 300 NVA at the following locations: AT 945227, AT 947231, AT 957227, AT 966225; C-3 rating.	S M Bde	EE
63.	1730		(U) CO A Co: Sqd/3d plat departed DDP.	S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).	
64.	1740		(U) CO E Co (1LT Brandon): Line Nine Report: 1-14, 2-3, 3-11, 4-22, 5-20, 6-42, 7-38, 8-3, 9-1.	S M	EE
65.	1825		(U) FAC (Helix 17): Departed FCA.	S Bde	EE
66.	1925		(U) CO D Co: 1st and 3d plats departed NDP on night activities (Refer to entry 50).	S	EE
67.	1930		(U) Recon Plat: Elements are in position for night activities (Refer to entry 50).	S M	EE
68.	1930		(C) CO A Co: At 1850 hours AT 882243, detained 1 female VCS, name: Nguyen Thi Thong, and found a little rice; this is an intelligence report #929 dtd 5 Aug 69; the source is "S C G Center, from villager who escaped from a VC detention camp.	S M Bde	EE
69.	2010		(U) SP4 Terald Graves (TG) relieved SP4 Earl Eickelberger as RTO.	S2 (Received by SP4 Boguard).	
70.	2015		(U) CO B Co: At 2015 hours, Bunker 10 spotted some lights 200 meters in front of their bunker; engaged with M-79 fire resulting in lights out.	TG	
71.	2100		(U) CO A Co: Element arrived at NDP, and all elements are in position for night activities (Refer to entry 50).	S M	TG
72.	2105		(C) Bde Artillery to S3: Request clearance for	S M Bde	TG

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(Received by
SGT Jones).

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(C) Sky Spots at grids AT 8326 and AT 8427; Time
Frame: ASAP-090600H Aug 69.

73.

2250

(C) S5 LNO Hiep Duc (SFC Pacolba): Lights were
spotted at AT 908266 moving West; did not engage
due to proximity of Co A.

S M

TG

74.

2400

(U) LZ West at Yellow Alert Status.

S

TG

75.

2400

(C) Summary: Co A conducted search and clear oper-
ations in assigned area resulting in 1 female VCS
detained. Co B continued to secure LZ West; con-
ducted plat search and clear operations in assigned
area; conducted sqd sweep along route with neg re-
sults. Co C continued to secure and make improve-
ments at LZ Siberia. Co D conducted search and
clear operations resulting in 6 VC KIA, 3 VCS de-
tained, finding of 1000 lbs of polished rice, and
capture of 1 pack containing 1 hammock. Recon Plat
conducted search and clear operations in assigned
area with neg results.

76.

2400

(U) Journal closed by SP4 Terald Graves RTO.

TG

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08 August 1969

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Rattler 16

CPT Adams

11 Hours Until Maintenance

Tail Number 332

OUT	IN	SORTIE	TIME	MISSION
0910	0930	4	0 Hr 20 Min	Packs to LZ Karen and Return
1045	1055	2	0 Hr 30 Min	LTC from LZ Karen to LZ West
1210	1225	2	0 Hr 45 Min	R/S to LZ Siberia
1245	1500	6	3 Hr 00 Min	LZ Baldy, LZ Siberia R/S, Hiep Duc
1535	1745	5	5 Hr 10 Min	Co D, R/S LZ Siberia, LZ East, LZ Baldy
1745	1815	2	5 Hr 40 Min	LZ East
1815	1830	2	5 Hr 55 Min	LZ Siberia (Packs)
1830	1835	2	6 Hr 00 Min	Co D R/S
TOTAL		25	6 Hr 00 Min	

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0001

(U) Journal opened by SP4 Terald Graves (TG) RTO.

2.

0030

(U) LZ West at Red Alert Status.

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3.

0130

(U) LZ West at Yellow Alert Status except the

S

TG

4.

0230

(U) CO B Co (CPT Gayler): Bunkerline is now at Yellow Alert Status.

S

TG

5.

0300

(U) CO B Co: LZ West at Green Alert Status.

S

TG

6.

0605

(U) Recon Plat (1LT Williams): Element moving at this time at a Westerly direction.

S

TG

7.

0630

(C) Bde S2 to S2 (CPT Akiona): Infra-Red Mission Readout is as follows (TOT 1935H-1945H): AT 943-108 (3 emissions), AT 951118 (5 emissions), AT 957125 (4 emissions), AT 969102 (3 emissions), AT 973104 (5 emissions), AT 946129 (2 emissions), AT 954114 (2 emissions), AT 963110 (11 emissions), AT 978098 (1 emission), AT 977105 (1 emissions), AT 958140 (2 emissions), AT 968098 (5 emissions); AT 947100 (1 emission).

S M

TG

8.

0630

(U) Bde S2 to S2: Weather Report: General area: mostly cloudy, widely scattered rain showers in morning and afternoon; 3 day outlook: mostly cloudy, afternoon rain showers; low vis: 7 miles; low ceil: 3000 scattered; temp: H-98° L-79°; hum: 90% and 50%; den alt: 3200 and 2000; IAS: 29.54; AW: SW 10-20 knots gust 20-25 inland, variable 8-15 knots along coast; BMNT: 100540; SR: 100629; SS: 091912; EENT: 092001; MR: 100251; MS: 101628; Illum: 16%.

S

TG

9.

0630

(U) SP4 Michael Wilson (MW) relieved SP4 Terald Graves as RTO.

MW

10.

0700

(U) CO A Co (CPT Mantell): All elements have closed NDP (Refer to entry 50 on 08 Aug 69).

S M

MW

11.

0700

(C) Recon Plat: At 0650 hours AT 977229, engaged 1 VC at 100 meters evading North out of a hut dressed in khaki and black PJ's, approximate age 25; this resulted in 1 VC KIA with neg weapon but had pack containing 2 US canteens and other personal items.

S M Bde S2 (Received by SP4 Linton).

MW

12.

0710

(U) CO D Co (CPT Mekelsen): Element is moving at this time.

S

MW

13.

0725

(U) CO B Co: 3d plat moving.

S

MW

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14.

0750

(U) Forward Air Control (FAC) Helix 16: Entered

S

MW

15.

0805

(U) CO B Co: Sqd/1st plat moving.

S

MW

16.

0815

(U) CO C Co (CPT Murphy): Sqd/3d plat moving.

S

MW

17.

0815

(C) S3 (MAJ Lee) to Bde S3: Activities for Co C
are as follows: Co C will conduct sqd size (3d
plat) search and clear operations in grid AT 8821.

S M Bde MW
S3 (Received
by SP4 Stroh-
ler).

18.

0825

(U) FAC (Helix 16): Departed FCA.

S

MW

19.

0850

(C) CO D Co: Location at DDP AT 968302; 1st and
4th plats moving.

S M

MW

20.

0900

(C) Saber 72: Entered FCA; given V/R and free fire
S and W of the 87 and 20 grid lines.

S M

MW

21.

0905

(U) CO D Co: 2d plat moving.

S

MW

22.

0925

(C) CO B Co: Sqd/1st plat location AT 995249; 3d
plat location BT 010245.

S M

MW

23.

0940

(U) CO C Co: Sqd/3d plat closed LZ Siberia.

S M

MW

24.

0940

(C) Bde Artillery to S3: Request clearance for
Air Strikes in the following areas: (1) AT 919044
(2) Box: from AT 9117 to AT 9121 to AT 9617 to AT
9621; Time Frame: 100600H-101800H Aug 69.

S M MW
Cleared by
S3 Air (CPT
Whittecarr) to
Bde Arty (Re-
ceived by PFC
Barr).

25.

0955

(C) Bde S3 to S3: Request clearance for Herbicide
Missions as follows: (1) Designator HHA; area:
from AS 910940 to AS 904940; Time on Target: 11-
0645H Aug 69 (2) Designator HJA; area: from ZC
1612 to ZC 2117; Time on Target: 110910H Aug 69 -
request clearance for heavy suppressive fire; also
request locations, callsigns, and frequencies of
all units in target area to contact prior to mission;
under control of Americal FAC.

S M MW
Cleared by
S3 Air to Bde
S3 (Received
by SP4 Strohler).

26.

1000

(C) Saber 72: At 1000 hours AT 824206, spotted 2
bunkers and 1 old hut; spotted 12 2 lb bags of corn
around the hut; also found 1 ammunition box on top
of 1 of the bunkers; engaged bunkers and hut re-
sulting in the bunkers and hut destroyed; at AT 820190.

S M Bde MW
S2 (Received
by SP4 Reese).

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26.	(Continued)		(C) spotted a lot of old huts and a lot of trails.					
27.	1010		(C) CO D Co: 2d plat (-) location AT 969310, sqd/2d plat location AT 968312; 4th plat location AT 965329.	S M	MW			
28.	1025		(U) Saber 72: Departed FCA.	S	MW			
29.	1035		(C) Command and Control (C & C) Helicopter: At 1035 hours AT 969257, spotted 1 VC evading East into a hut dressed in black PJ's; neg action was taken, Co B will make a sweep of the area.	S M Bde	MW			
30.	1040		(C) Bde Artillery to S3: Request clearance for Air Strikes in the following 2 areas: (1) AT 9610308 (2) AT 966309; Time Frame: 100600H-101800H Aug 69.	S M Neg	MW			
31.		1050	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Change in activities for 09 Aug 69 are as follows: Recon Plat will search and clear in grid square AT 9622. Co B will conduct search and clear operations in area (AT 965265, AT 975265, AT 975255, AT 965255).	S M Bde	MW			
32.	1100		(C) CO D Co: 1st plat location AT 976322; 2d plat (-) location AT 969312, sqd/2d plat location AT 95315.	S M	MW			
33.	1105		(C) CO D Co: At 1100 hours AT 969312, 2d plat engaged 1 VC at 20 meters evading East dressed in black PJ's with neg pack or weapon resulting in 1 VC KIA, approximate age 25.	S M Bde	MW			
34.	1115		(C) Recon Plat: At 1115 hours AT 966225, engaged 2 VC at approximately 200 meters evading SE dressed in black PJ's and carrying 2 packs but neg weapons; they evaded SE successfully.	S M Bde	MW			
35.	1125		(U) CO A Co: 3d plat moving.	S	MW			
36.	1140		(U) CO B Co: Sqd/1st plat closed LZ West; sqd/2d plat moving.	S	MW			
37.	1145		(C) CO A Co: 3d plat location AT 892245.	S M	MW			
38.	1150		(U) CO D Co: All elements have closed DDP (Refer to entry 19).	S M	MW			
39.	1205		(C) CO B Co: 3d plat location BT 001246.	S M	MW			

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40.	1220		(U) SP4 Earl Eickelberger (EE) relieved SP4 Michael Wilson as RTO.		EE
41.	1230		(U) CO B Co: 3d plat closed LZ West.	S M	EE
42.	1240		(C) CO A Co: At 1240 hours AT 887247, sqd/3d plat found 500 lbs of unpolished rice which will be extracted to LZ West; also picked up 2 mamasons and 6 babysons who wanted to go to Hiep Duc, and they were taken to Hiep Duc by the C & C at 1320 hours.	S M Bde	EE S2 (Received by SP4 Boguard).
43.	1315		(U) CO D Co: 4th plat moving.	S	EE
44.	1400		(U) Saber 76: Entered FCA on V/R.	S-	EE
45.	1405		(U) Saber 76: Departed FCA.	S	EE
46.	1405		(C) Bde S2 to S2: A Chieu Hoi reported that there are caves at AT 991287 and AT 985286 which are openly guarded by the VC; this Chieu Hoi also stated that there is a rice cache at each location.	S M Bde	EE
47.	1405		(U) Charger Medevac to S3: Medevac ship #608 is on its way for a pregnant woman at Hiep Duc.	S	EE
48.	1410		(U) S5 LNO Hiep Duc (SFC Pacolba): Medevac complete (Refer to entry 47).	S	EE
49.	1445		(U) FAC (Helix 14): Entered FCA.	S	EE
50.	1445		(C) CO D Co: At 1200 hours AT 968331, 2d plat found 1 sewing machine in a spider hole (SN 736649); it was extracted to LZ West.	S M Bde	EE S2 (Received by SP4 Boguard)
51.	1500		(C) S3 to Bde S3: Night activities for 09 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will NDP AT 910264 and conduct 3d plat ambushes at AT 918272 and AT 902259. Co B will NDP LZ West and provide local security. Co C will NDP LZ Siberia and provide local security. Co D will NDP AT 968320 with 2d plat ambush at AT 964319 and 3d plat ambush at AT 964322. Recon Plat will NDP and conduct an ambush at AT 981236.	S M Bde	EE S3 (Received by SP4 Frogdon).
52.	1500		(C) S3 to Bde S3: Activities for 10 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will conduct search and destroy operations in area with plat size elements (1st plat AT 9126, AT 9127, AT 9227, AT 9327; 2d plat AT 9025, AT 8925, AT 8924, AT 8824). Co B will continue to secure LZ West; conduct plat size search and clear operations in area (AT 960266, along road to AT 975272.	S M Bde	EE S3 (Received by SP4 Frogdon).

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52.	(Continued)		(C) AT 975262, AT 968259, AT 960255, AT 960266); conduct sqd size sweep along route (AT 988251, AT 988259, AT 995260, AT 991251). Co C will continue to secure and make improvements at IZ Siberia; conduct sqd size show of force in Day CFZ (AT 910233, AT 890225, AT 890210, AT 915210, along river to AT 910233). Co D will conduct search and destroy operations in area (AT 990320, AT 950320, along Marine AO to AT 970356, along 2-5 ARVN boundary to AT 990320). Recon Plat will recon and search in area (AT 960220, AT 960230, AT 970230, AT 970240, BT 000240, BT 000220, AT 960220).		
53.	1500		(U) CO A Co: Sqd/3d plat closed NDP.	S M	EE
54.	1515		(U) FAC (Helix 14): Departed FCA.	S	EE
55.	1720		(U) FAC (Helix 17): Entered FCA.	S	EE
56.	1730		(U) SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) relieved SP4 Earl Eickelberger as RIO.		RJ
57.	1735		(C) CO E Co (1LT Brandon): Line Nine Report: 1-5, 2-1, 3-4, 4-4, 5-28, 6-32, 7-32, 8-0, 9-0.	S Bde	RJ
58.	1745		(U) FAC (Helix 17): Departed FCA to the East.	S	RJ
59.	1801		(U) Recon Plat: Location at NDP (Refer to entry 51).	S M	RJ
60.	1803		(U) CO A Co: Moving to NDP (Refer to entry 51).	S	RJ
61.	1840		(U) CO D Co: Moving to NDP (Refer to entry 51).	S	RJ
62.	1900		(U) CO A Co: Location at NDP (Refer to entry 51).	S M	RJ
63.	2005		(U) CO A Co: Aggressor #1 is in position for night activities (Refer to entry 51).	S M	RJ
64.	2010		(U) CO A Co: All night activities are in position (Refer to entry 51).	S M	RJ
65.	2120		(C) CO C Co: IZ Siberia took 7 rounds of incoming inside of perimeter; 2 dud incoming rounds landed outside of perimeter; radar picked up 10-15 personnel moving with packs at a direction 4/30 mils, 1900 meters; 155's fired on AT 885227 resulting in 1 secondary explosion; 81MM fired on AT 892217 resulting in 1 small secondary explosion and 1 large secondary explosion; there were neg casualties; radar picked up persons moving in all directions.	S M Bde RJ S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).	

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(U) CO D Co: Location at NDP (Refer to entry 51).

S M

RJ

67.

2400

(C) Summary: Co A DDP'd at AT 898255 and provided local security resulting in finding of 500 lbs of unpolished rice that was extracted to LZ West. Co B continued to secure LZ West and conducted search and clear operations in assigned area with neg results. Co C continued to secure LZ Siberia and conducted sqd size search and clear operations in assigned area; LZ Siberia took 7 rounds of incoming but there were neg casualties. Co D conducted search and clear operations in assigned area resulting in 1 VC KIA and the finding of 1 sewing machine that was found in a spider hole. Recon Plat conducted search and clear operations in assigned area resulting in 1 VC KIA and the capture of 1 pack containing 2 US canteens and personal gear.

68.

2400

(U) Journal closed by SP4 Rodger Johnson RTO.

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Mr Peck

23 Hours Until Maintenance

Tail Number 546

OUT	IN	SORTIE	TIME	MISSION
0940	1040	6	1 Hr 00 Min	Packs to LZ Karen, Co C and Refuel
1250	1655	7	3 Hr 30 Min	Co A, R/S, LZ Karen, Refuel
1530	1545	2	3 Hr 45 Min	LZ Karen, Packs
1705	1720	2	4 Hr 10 Min	Co D, R/S
1730	1755	3	4 Hr 45 Min	Milk Run

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1.	0001		(U) Journal opened by SP4 Terald Graves (TG) RTO.		TG
2.	0030		(U) LZ West at Yellow Alert Status.	S	TG
3.	0300		(U) LZ West bunkerline at Green Alert Status.	S	TG
4.	0605		(U) Recon Plat (1LT Williams): Element moving towards LZ West.	S	TG
5.	0645		(U) CO A Co (CPT Mantell): 1st and 3d plats moving.	S	TG
6.	0645		(U) CO D Co (CPT Mekkelson): 2d plat departed Co's NDP (Refer to entry 51 on 09 Aug 69); also 4th plat (destroyer) departed Co's NDP.	S M	TG
7.	0700		(U) SP4 Michael Wilson (MW) relieved SP4 Terald Graves as RTO.		MW
8.	0715		(U) CO D Co: 3d plat moving.	S	MW
9.	0720		(U) Bde S2 to S2 (CPT Akiona): Weather Report: General area: mostly cloudy to partly cloudy with widely scattered rain showers in the morning and afternoon; 3 day outlook: L/C; low vis: 6 miles in rain showers; low ceil: 2500 scattered; temp: H-96° L-79°; hum: 85% and 50%; den alt: 3100 and 2100; IAS: 29.59; winds: SW 10-20 knots gust 20-25 knots; BMNT: 110540; SR: 110629; SS: 101912; EENT: 102001; MR: 110343; MS: 111717; Illum: 09%.	S	MW
10.	0725		(C) Bde S2 to S2: URS reports that there is an unknown size enemy force at AT 967320 at a radius of 2000 meters.	S M	MW
11.	0730		(C) CO A Co: 3d plat location AT 928275.	S M	MW
12.	0745		(U) CO C Co (CPT Murphy): 1st plat moving.	S	MW
13.	0800		(C) CO D Co: At 0800 hours AT 970348, engaged 5 NVA with M-60 machinegun fire at 250 meters evading West resulting in 2 NVA KIA wearing black PJ's ages 25 and 25.	S M Bde S2 (Received by SP4 Bo-guard at 1545 hours)	MW
14.	0800		(U) CO B Co (CPT Gayler): 4th plat moving.	S	MW
15.	0800		(U) Saber 74: Entered FCA.	S	MW

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16.	0815		(U) Recon Plat: Element closed LZ West.	S M	MW
17.	0820		(C) CO D Co: At 0820 hours AT 966347, engaged 1 NVA at 100 meters resulting in 1 NVA KIA.	S M Bde	MW
				S2 (Received by SP4 Boguard at 1545 hours).	
18.		0820	(C) S3 (MAJ Lee) to Bde S3: Request AO extension in area as follows: from AT 945345 to AT 950353 to AT 963344 to AT 958336; Time Frame: ASAP-10-1800H Aug 69; purpose is for pursuit of enemy forces.	S M Bde	MW
			(U) CO B Co: 2d plat moving.	S	MW
19.	0835		(C) Bde Artillery to S3: Tam Ky requests clearance for Air Strike at AT 906079; Time Frame: 10-1800H-110600H Aug 69.	S M	MW
				Approved by S3 Air (CPT Whittecar) to Bde Arty (Received by PFC Barr).	
21.	0900		(C) CO D Co: At 0900 hours AT 955345, engaged 1 NVA in a cave resulting in 1 NVA KIA with 1 pack.	S M Bde	MW
				S2 (Received by SP4 Boguard at 1545 hours).	
22.	0915		(C) CO A Co: 1st plat location AT 938279.	S M	MW
23.	0915		(U) CO D Co: Co (-) moving.	S	MW
24.	0920		(C) CO C Co: 1st plat location AT 881226; request medevac for 1 VN female, 12 years old.	S M	MW
				Medevac Control LZ Baldy reported medevac ship #608 is on way.	
25.	0945		(C) CO D Co: At 0945 hours AT 951344, engaged 2 NVA resulting in 2 NVA KIA; also found several packs (NVA type).	S M Bde	MW
				S2 (Received by SP4 Boguard at 1545 hours).	
26.	1000		(C) Saber 74: Reported that 1 OH6 was shot down, and Saber 74 is covering them; also 2 other OH6's were shot up and had to return to Chu Lai.	S Bde	MW
				S2 (Received by SP4 Boguard at 1545 hours).	

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27.	1015		(U) Bde CO (COL Tackaberry) to All Bn Commanders: (1) Recently, enemy recon activities have resulted in tampering with the defensive wire on several fire support bases within 196th OZ. (2) Effective today, unit commanders will insure that a morning inspection of all defensive wires is made daily on each position occupied by troops under their command.	S	MW		
28.	1025		(U) CO C Co: Medevac is complete (Refer to entry 24).	S	MW		
29.		1030	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Request for Air Support: Request CH-47 for an airlift of Co B from LZ West to a field location at AT 908262 and Co A from a field location at AT 908262 to LZ West; Time Frame: 11-0700H-110810H Aug 69; sorties: 6; total packs: 170:	S M Bde	MW		
			ACFT	PZ/TIME	LZ/TIME	UNIT	
			1	CH-47	LZ West/0700	AT 908262/0710	Co B
			2	CH-47	AT 908262/0710	LZ West/0720	Co A
			3	CH-47	LZ West/0720	AT 908262/0740	Co B
			4	CH-47	AT 908262/0740	LZ West/0750	Co A
			5	CH-47	LZ West/0750	AT 908262/0800	Co B
			6	CH-47	AT 908262/0800	LZ West/0810	Co A
			LZ and PZ are secure Frequency: Admin/Log 67.50 Ground Contacts: LZ West Feud 91 AT 908262 Zulu 90				
30.	1035		(C) Bde Artillery to S3: Hoi An requests clearance for Air Strikes in the following 2 grids: (1) AT 940279 (2) AT 945277; Time Frame: 110600H-111800H Aug 69.	S M	MW		
				Cleared by S3 Air to Bde Arty (Received by SP4 Plans).			
31.	1045		(U) CO A Co: 1st plat closed DDP.	S M	MW		
32.	1100		(C) CO D Co: At 1100 hours AT 951344, engaged 3 NVA resulting in 3 NVA KIA; LOH in area spotted 2 AK47's and alot of Chicom grenades on rocks.	S M Bde	MW		
				S2 (Received by SP4 Boguard at 1545 hours).			
33.	1105		(U) CO C Co: 1st plat closed LZ Siberia.	S M	MW		
34.	1115		(C) CO A Co: All elements have closed DDP AT 910-264.	S M	MW		
35.	1120		(U) Forward Air Control (FAC) Helix 13: Entered FC	S	MW		
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36.	1125		(C) Saber 72 and 74: Departed FCA and received small arms and AK fire; there were neg hits.	S Bde S2 MW (Received by SP4 Boguard at 1545 hours).	
37.	1145		(U) CO D Co: Received 1 US KIA and 2 US WIA.	S MW	
38.	1210		(C) Artillery LNO to S2: At 1030 hours AT 908178, Black Ace 28 spotted several camouflaged huts; Artillery was called and adjusted from LZ Siberia; this resulted in 4 huts destroyed.	S M Bde MW S2 (Received by SP4 Reese).	
39.	1225		(U) CO D Co: Medevac is requested for 1 US KIA and 2 US WIA (Refer to entry 37).	S Medevac Control LZ Baldy reported Medevac is on way.	MW
40.	1225		(U) CO B Co: 4th plat closed LZ West.	S M	MW
41.	1240		(C) CO B Co: 2d plat location AT 974267.	S M	MW
42.	1250		(U) Medevac ship #608: On station (Refer to entry 39) but could not go in because of AK fire.	S	MW
43.	1310		(C) Bde S3 to S3: Request clearance for Herbicide Mission in the following area: from BT 2020 to AT 9625; Time on Target: 120600H Aug 69; request clearance of 1000 meters on each side and 2000 meters on each end and heavy suppression.	S M Cleared by S3 Air to Bde S3 (Received by SP4 Trogon).	MW
44.	1330		(U) SP4 Earl Eickelberger (EE) relieved SP4 Michael Wilson as RFO.		EE
45.	1330		(U) CO C Co: Sqd/3d plat departed LZ Siberia.	S M	EE
46.		1335	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Activities for 11 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will conduct airlift from PZ vic AT 908262 at 0710 hours to LZ West and assume responsibility for LZ West and Alpha A0; conduct sqd size sweep along route (AT 989249, AT 983248, AT 981244, AT 982243, AT 995248, AT 991251). Co B will conduct airlift from LZ West to LZ Vic AT 908262 at 0710 hours and assume responsibility for Bravo A0; conduct search and destroy operations in area B1 (AT 9127); conduct search and clear operations in area B2 (AT 900265, AT 900274, along stream to AT 910272, AT 910265, AT 900265, and areas in B3 - AT 8925). Co C will continue to secure LZ Siberia;	S M Bde S3 (Received by SP4 Trogon).	EE

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LOCATION
LZ WEST
AT 990251

FROM		TO	
HOUR	DATE	HOUR	DATE
0001	10 Aug 69	2400	10 Aug 69

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	IN	OUT			
46.	(Continued)		(C) conduct search and clear operations in area (AT 8822, AT 8821). Co D will conduct search and destroy operations in area (AT 956320, along Marine AO boundary to AT 970356, along 2-5 ARVN boundary to AT 990320). Recon Plat will assist in the security of LZ West.		
47.	1340		(U) Saber 74: The downed helicopter crew was extracted (Refer to entry 26).	S Bde S2	EE
48.	1350		(U) CO D Co: Medevac is complete (Refer to entry 37); there were 1 US KIA and 4 US WIA medevaced.	S Bde S2	EE
49.	1400		(U) CO D Co: Contact was broken with the enemy.	S Bde S2	EE
50.	1405		(C) Bde S3 to S3: Request clearance for Herbicide Mission in the following area: from AT 9923 to BT 1723; designator: HHA; Time on Target: 120625H Aug 69; request clearance of 1000 meters on each side and 2000 meters on each end; also request heavy suppression.	S M	EE
51.	1410		(U) CO C Co: Sqd/3d plat closed LZ Siberia.	S M	EE
52.	1430		(U) CO D Co: Co's CO (CPT Mekkelson) reported that he was wounded on knee.	S Bde S2	EE
53.	1440		(U) CO D Co: CPT Mekkelson was extracted by R/S helicopter to LZ Baldy.	S Bde S2	EE
54.	1440		(U) CO D Co: Co reported that 5 US WIA and 1 US KIA were extracted; also 1 M-16 and 1 M-79 were lost.	S Bde S2	EE
55.	1500		(C) Results of Air Strike: At AT 960336, there was 1 secondary fire.	S Bde	EE
56.		1500	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Night activities for 10 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will NDP AT 908266; conduct 3d plat ambushes at AT 893246 and AT 896250; 2d plat ambushes at AT 902259 and AT 907258; 1st plat ambushes at AT 918272 and AT 923272. Co B will NDP LZ West and provide local security. Co C will NDP LZ Siberia and provide local security. Co D will NDP AT 970337 and provide local security. Recon Plat will NDP LZ West and provide local security.	S M Bde S3 (Received by SP4 Hayes)	EE
57.	1515		(C) Results of Air Strike: At AT 962334, 2 caves were destroyed, 2 bunkers destroyed, and 1 secondary explosion; also at AT 843227, there was 1 secondary fire.	S Bde	EE
58.	1525		(U) CO B Co: 2d plat closed LZ West.	S M	EE

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ITEM NO	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS ETC	ACTION	INITIALS
	IN	OUT			
59.	1618		(U) FAC (Helix 02): Departed FCA.	S	EE
60.	1618		(U) FAC (Helix 13): Entered FCA.	S	EE
61.	1626		(U) FAC (Helix 13): Departed FCA.	S	EE
62.	1730		(U) SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) relieved SP4 Earl Eickelberger as RTO.		RJ
63.	1800		(C) CO E Co (1LT Brandon): Line Nine Report: 1-10, 2-1, 3-9, 4-44, 5-17, 6-61, 7-61, 8-0, 9-0.	S Bde	RJ
64.	1915		(U) CO A Co: All night activities are moving.	S	RJ
65.	2000		(U) CO A Co: Aggressor 3-4 is in position for night activities (Refer to entry 56).	S M	RJ
66.	2005		(U) CO C Co: LZ Siberia received incoming at 1950 hours.	S	RJ
67.	2100		(C) CO C Co: LZ Siberia received 5 incoming rounds but all landed outside of perimeter, 30 to 40 meters; S2 (Re-suspected grids are AT 887231, AT 874218, replbt AT 87322197; fired 81MM, 155's, and 105's at AT 866-226 resulting in 1 secondary and grid AT 87322197 resulting in 2 secondary explosions; there were neg friendly casualties and neg damages.	S M Bde	RJ
68.	2305		(C) CO B Co: Bunker 10 spotted AK and 30 cal fire 3000 meters in a NE direction at AT 9927 grid square.	S M Bde	RJ
69.	2400		(C) Summary: Co A conducted search and destroy operations in assigned area with plat size elements with neg results. Co B continued to secure LZ West; conducted plat size search and clear operations in assigned area with neg results. Co C continued to secure and make improvements at LZ Siberia; conducted sqd size show of force in Day CFZ; reported 5 incoming rounds at LZ Siberia, but there were neg casualties or damages. Co D conducted search and destroy operations in assigned area resulting in 9 NVA KIA with several packs (NVA type) captured. 5 US WI including Co's CO, 1 US KIA, and the loss of 1 M-16 rifle and 1 M-79. Recon Plat conducted recon and search in assigned area with neg results.		
70.	2400		(U) Journal closed by SP4 Rodger Johnson RTO.		RJ

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SCHEDULED TIMES

10 August 69

C/C TIME

10 August 69

Rattler 16X

LT Smith

15 Hours Until Maintenance

Tail Number 303

<u>OUT</u>	<u>IN</u>	<u>SORTIE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>MISSION</u>
0930	1050	4	1 Hr 20 Min	LTC, LZ Siberia and LZ Karen, Refuel
1105	1135	2	1 Hr 50 Min	MAJ to Co D
1245	1340	4	2 Hr 15 Min	Co D/Resupply and Refuel
1735	1830	4	3 Hr 20 Min	Milk Run
TOTAL		18	3 Hr 20 Min	

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ACTION

IN

1.

0001

(U) Journal opened by SP4 Terald Graves (TG) RTO.

TG

2.

0100

(U) IZ West's bunkerline is at Yellow Alert Status. S

TG

3.

0300

(U) IZ West's bunkerline is at Green Alert Status. S

TG

4.

0500

(U) CO A Co (CPT Mantell): Aggressors 3 and 4 closed Co's NDP; Aggressors 2, 5, and 6 are moving toward Co's NDP (Refer to entry 56 on 10 Aug 69).

S M

TG

5.

0545

(U) CO A Co: Aggressors 5 and 6 closed Co's NDP (Refer to entry 56 on 10 Aug 69).

S M

TG

6.

0650

(C) Long Range Recon Patrol (LRRP: Arkansas): Insertion was made at 101155H Aug 69 in box upper left AT 9517 to lower right AT 9715; during insertion, this area was in 3/21's extension; the extension terminated prior to intended time at 101500H Aug 69; all reports will be sent to this unit as of now; 1st report was at 0300 hours, neg situation report.

S M

TG

7.

0700

(U) SP4 Michael Wilson (MW) relieved SP4 Terald Graves as RTO.

MW

8.

0710

(U) CO C Co (CPT Murphy): 3d plat moving.

S

MW

9.

0715

(C) CO A Co: Location at PZ/IZ AT 909261 (Refer to entry 29 on 10 Aug 69).

S M

MW

10.

0725

(U) CO D Co (1LT Hall): Element moving.

S

MW

11.

0800

(C) CO C Co: 3d plat location AT 888230.

S M

MW

12.

0810

(C) CO D Co: Location at DDP AT 974329.

S M

MW

13.

0810

(U) CO B Co (CPT Gayler): 1st lift of Co B is in the air (Refer to entry 29 on 10 Aug 69).

S

MW

14.

0810

(C) Bde S2 to S2 (CPT Akiona): URS reports that are unknown size enemy forces at (1) AT 918280 at a radius of 900 meters (Artillery fired from IZ Siberia) (2) AT 936115 at a radius of 1000 meters (Artillery fired from IZ Siberia).

S M

MW

15.

0820

(U) CO A Co: 1st lift of Co B complete; 1st lift of Co A is in the air (Refer to entry 29 on 10 Aug 69).

S

MW

16.

0830

(U) CO B Co: 1st lift of Co A complete; 2d lift off

MW

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4th Bn, 31st Inf		AT 990251		0001	11 Aug 69	2400	11 Aug 69
196th Inf Bde							
ITEM NO	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS ETC	ACTION	INITIALS		
	IN	OUT					
16.	(Continued)		(U) Co B is in the air (Refer to entry 29 on 10 Aug 69).				
17.	0830		(U) CO D Co: 1st plat moving.	S	MW		
18.	0837		(U) CO A Co: 2d lift of Co B complete; 2d lift of Co A is in the air (Refer to entry 29 on 10 Aug 69).	S	MW		
19.		0840	(C) S2 to Bde S2: Request Aerial Personnel Detector Mission (APD) be flown in the following area bordered by AT 8521 E to AT 9521 S to AT 9517 W to AT 8517 N to AT 8521; Time Frame: 120630H-120730H Aug 69 or 121800H-121900H Aug 69; use command net upon entry into FCA.	S M Bde	MW		
20.	0845		(U) CO B Co: 2d lift of Co A complete; 3d lift of Co B is in the air (Refer to entry 29 on 10 Aug 69).	S	MW		
21.	0850		(U) CO B Co: Co B airlift is complete (Refer to entry 29 on 10 Aug 69).	S M	MW		
22.	0855		(U) CO A Co: Co A airlift is complete (Refer to entry 29 on 10 Aug 69).	S M	MW		
23.		0855	(C) S2 to Bde S2: Request that a Red Haze Mission be flown in the following area: from AT 8126 NE to AT 8932 SE to AT 9330 SW to AT 8523 NW along river to AT 8126; Time Frame: 122000H Aug 69.	S M Bde	MW		
24.	0855		(U) Forward Air Control (FAC) Helix 13: Entered FCA.	S	MW		
25.	0915		(C) CO D Co: At 0915 hours AT 963335, engaged 25-30 VC/NVA evading West resulting in 4 NVA KIA dressed in green uniforms; the VC/NVA split into several groups and evaded into the woodline; artillery fired on the VC/NVA at AT 961335; the area was checked out with neg findings.	S M Bde	MW		
26.	0955		(U) CO A Co: Sqd/2d plat departed LZ West on wire sweep.	S	MW		
27.	1000		(U) CO D Co: Contact was broken with the enemy resulting in a total of 4 NVA KIA (Refer to entry 25).	S	MW		
28.	1005		(U) Basin 30A: Entered FCA.	S	MW		
29.	1015		(C) Bde S3 to S3: Request Defoliation Mission in the following area: from AS 9496 to AS 9096 to AS 8997; Time Frame: 130905 Aug 69.	S M	MW		
				Cleared by S3 Air (CPT Whittecar) to Bde S3 (Received by SP4 Stroble).			

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LZ WEST

AT 990251

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11 Aug 69

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30.

1040

(U) Basin 30A: Departed FCA.

S

MW

31.

1045

(U) FAC (Helix 02): Entered FCA.

S

MW

32.

1100

(C) CO D Co: 1st plat location AT 977347; 3d plat location AT 971349; 4th plat location AT 964344.

S M

MW

33.

1110

(U) CO A Co: Sqd/2d plat closed LZ West.

S M

MW

34.

1125

(U) FAC (Helix 02): Departed FCA.

S

MW

35.

1210

(U) CO C Co: 3d plat closed LZ Siberia.

S M

MW

36.

1215

(C) CO B Co: 2d plat closed DDP AT 911265.

S M

MW

37.

1220

(U) SP4 Earl Eickelberger (EE) relieved SP4 Michael Wilson as RTO.

EE

38.

1235

(U) CO D Co: 1st, 3d, and 4th plats closed DDP (Refer to entry 12).

S M

EE

39.

1248

(U) CO B Co: 3d plat closed DDP (Refer to entry 36).

S M

EE

40.

1400

(C) S3 to Bde S3: Night activities for 11 Aug 69

S M Bde EE

are as follows: Co A will NDP LZ West and provide local security. Co B will NDP AT 921259; 1st sqd ambushes at AT 911261, AT 911260, and AT 904260; sqd/2d plat ambush at AT 927261; sqd/3d plat ambush at AT 935256; 4th plat ambush at AT 924266. Co C will NDP LZ Siberia and conduct sqd/1st ambush at AT 882220. Co D will conduct CP, 3d and 4th plats ambush at AT 974328; 1st plat ambush at AT 975331; 2d plat ambush at AT 975326. Recon Plat will NDP LZ West and provide local security.

S3 (Received by SP4 Trogdon).

41.

1400

(C) S3 to Bde S3: Activities for 12 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will continue to secure LZ West; conduct search and clear operations in assigned area (AT 950234, AT 950250, AT 970250, AT 970234, along river to AT 950234); conduct sqd sweep along assigned route (AT 992251, AT 996256, BT 001256, BT 003250, BT 001247, AT 992249). Co B will conduct search and destroy operations in area (AT 920250, AT 920270, AT 950270, AT 950250, AT 920250). Co C will continue to secure LZ Siberia; conduct search and destroy operations in area (AT 860210, AT 860232, along river to AT 880232, AT 880210, AT 860210). Co D will conduct search and destroy operations

S M Bde EE

S3 (Received by SP4 Trogdon).

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196th Inf Bde							
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41.	(Continued)		(C) in area (AT 960340, AT 983340, along 2-5 ARVN boundary to AT 990310, AT 950310, AT 950320, along Marine AO to AT 960340). Recon Plat will assist in the security of LZ West.				
42.	1540		(U) CO B Co: 1st plat departed DDP on sweep (Refer to entry 36).	S M	EE		
43.		1600	(C) S2 to Bde S2: Request a V/R be run on 12 Aug 69 in the following area: from AT 917210 E to AT 950210 S to AT 9520 E to BT 0020 N to river (following river) W to AT 918229.	S M Bde	EE		
44.	1643		(U) CO B Co: 4th plat departed DDP on sweep (Refer to entry 36).	S M	EE		
45.	1650		(C) CO B Co: 1st plat location AT 917274.	S M	EE		
46.	1705		(U) CO B Co: 4th plat closed DDP (Refer to entry 36).	S M	EE		
47.	1734		(U) CO B Co: 1st plat closed DDP (Refer to entry 36).	S M	EE		
48.	1738		(U) CO B Co: 3d plat is moving towards night activities (Refer to entry 40).	S	EE		
49.	1738		(U) SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) relieved SP4 Earl Eickelberger as MFO.		RJ		
50.	1747		(C) CO E Co (1LT Brandon): Line Nine Report: 1-16, 2-1, 3-15, 4-34, 5-13, 6-47, 7-47, 8-0, 9-0.	S Bde	RJ		
51.	1810		(U) CO B Co: Element moving towards NDP (Refer to entry 40).	S	RJ		
52.	1900		(U) CO A Co: 2d plat closed LZ West.	S M	RJ		
53.	1903		(U) CO C Co: 1st plat moving.	S	RJ		
54.	1910		(U) CO B Co: Location at NDP (Refer to entry 40).	S M	RJ		
55.	1920		(U) CO C Co: 1st plat is in location for night activities (Refer to entry 40).	S M	RJ		
56.	1935		(U) CO D Co: 1st and 2d plats moving.	S	RJ		
57.	1940		(U) CO B Co: 1st plat is in position for night activities.	S M	RJ		
58.	1945		(U) CO B Co: 3d plat is in position for night activities.	S M	RJ		
59.	1945		(U) CO D Co: 1st and 2d plats are in position for night activities (Refer to entry 40).	S M	RJ		
60.		1945	(C) S2 to all field units: Intelligence Report: Increase tempo of attacks by fire and sapper attacks against US LZ, NDP, and installations; all reports	S Sent	RJ		

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(C) continue to indicate that the enemy will launch an autumn offensive.

61.

2005

(U) CO B Co: 4th plat in position for night activities (Refer to entry 40).

S M

RJ

62.

2200

(U) LRRP: There is a neg situation report at this time.

S

RJ

63.

2340

(U) CO A Co: Bunker 7 spotted movement to their front 2-3 personnel.

S

RJ

64.

2343

(U) CO A Co: Bunker 3 spotted movement to their front 1 personnel.

S

RJ

65.

2345

(U) IZ West at Red Alert Status.

S

RJ

66.

2350

(U) CO A Co: Mortars were fired on movement between Bunkers 5 and 6.

S

RJ

67.

2400

(C) Summary: Co A was airlifted to IZ West and conducted sqd size sweep along assigned route with neg results. Co B was airlifted to IZ AT 908262 and assumed responsibility of Bravo AO; conducted search and destroy operations in assigned area; conducted search and clear operations in assigned area with neg results. Co C continued to secure IZ Siberia; conducted search and clear operations in assigned area with neg results. Co D conducted search and destroy operations in assigned area resulting in 4 NVA KIA. Recon Plat continued to assist in the security of IZ West.

68.

2400

(U) Journal closed by SP4 Rodger Johnson RTO.

RJ

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C/C TIME

11 August 69

Rattler 28

Mr. Wilondek

10 Hours Until Maintenance

Tail Number 303

<u>OUT</u>	<u>IN</u>	<u>SORTIE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>MISSION</u>
0725	0745	1	0 Hr 20 Min	R/S from LZ Baldy
0810	0840	5	0 Hr 50 Min	Packs to Co D, LZ Karen
0925	1030	4	2 Hr 00 Min	LTC, V/R, Co D, Refuel
1030	1045	2	2 Hr 15 Min	LTC to LZ Siberia, Co B
1125	1155	3	2 Hr 45 Min	Packs to LZ Baldy and Return
1315	1505	6	4 Hr 35 Min	LZ Baldy, LZ Siberia, Co D, Co B, LZ Karen
1615	1700	4	5 Hr 20 Min	LZ Center, LZ Baldy, LZ Center
1705	1745	4	6 Hr 00 Min	Milk Run
TOTAL		29	6 Hr 00 Min	

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0001

(U) Journal opened by 1LT Jimmie Johnson (JJ) NDO (Night Duty Officer).

JJ

2.

0001

LATE ENTRY

(C) Bde S3 to S3: Infra-Red Report: AT 960263 (5 emissions), TOT 1830-1840 hours 11 Aug 69; Artillery was called and fired as follows: 105's IZ Siberia, Battery 3; 155's IZ West, Battery 3, 2 tubes 3 rounds; 4.2 mortars, Battery 4, 4 tubes 4 rounds.

S M

JJ

(Received at 2250 hours on 11 Aug 69).

3.

0001

LATE ENTRY

(C) CQ A Co: At 2340 hours, reported 20-25 personnel being spotted by Bunker 7; mortars was called on personnel; IZ West called to Red Alert Status. At 2354 hours, Bunker 7 spotted 2 personnel at 350-400 meters in front of Bunker 5. At 2355 hours, WW1 was fired for IZ West. At 2356 hours, Bunker 7 spotted 1 personnel moving up the hill by Bunker 5.

S M Bde

JJ

S2 (Received at 0100 hours).

4.

0007

(C) CO A Co (CPT Mantell): Radar picked up movement at AT 980253; mortars was called and movement ceased.

S M Bde

JJ

S2 (Received by SPL Linton at 0100 hours).

5.

0030

(C) S2 to Bde S2: Starlite spotted 2 NVA in front of Bunker 5 at 400 meters.

S Bde

JJ

S2 (Received by SPL Linton at 0200 hours).

6.

0040

(C) S2 to Bde S2: Starlite spotted 9 personnel carrying what appeared to be long poles and carrying packs; 81MM mortars fired and movement ceased.

S Bde

JJ

S2 (Received by SPL Linton at 0200 hours).

7.

0055

(C) S2 to Bde S2: Starlite spotted movement in front of Bunker 5 at 400 meters.

S Bde S2JJ

(Received by SPL Linton at 0200 hours).

8.

0100

(C) S2 to Bde S2: Night Light confirmed movement in front of Bunker 5.

S Bde S2JJ

(Received by SPL Linton at 0200 hours).

9.

0115

(C) S2 to Bde S2: Bunker 7 spotted 2 NVA/VC cutting wire in front of Bunker 5.

S Bde

JJ

S2 (Received by SPL Linton at 0200 hours).

10.

0120

(C) S2 to Bde S2: Night Light spotted 1 NVA/VC blown up by his satchel charge after being engaged with M-79 fire in front of Bunker 7.

S Bde

JJ

S2 (Received by SPL Linton at 0200 hours).

11.

0130

(C) S2 to Bde S2: Blue Line fired.

S Bde

JJ

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11.	(Continued)		S2 (Received by SP4 Linton at 0200 hours).				
12.	0140	(C) S2 to Bde S2: Bunker 7 spotted another NVA/VC blown by a satchel charge after being engaged with M-79 fire.	S Bde	JJ			
			S2 (Received by SP4 Linton at 0200 hours).				
13.	0200	(U) Long Range Recon Patrol (LRRP): There is a neg situation report at this time.	S	JJ			
14.	0205	(U) CO C Co (CPT Murphy): Sqd/1st plat closed LZ Siberia.	S M	JJ			
15.	0210	(C) CO A Co: At 0210 hours, 1 round of incoming 81MM hit at left of the mess hall; no hootches hit resulting in 3 US WIA (urgent) and 1 US ambulatory; total of 4 US WIA; medevac was called (1 of these wounded personnel died at Da Nang).	S Med-	JJ			
			evac Control				
			LZ Baldy re-				
			ported Medevac				
			is on its way;				
			Bde S2 (Re-				
			ceived by SP4				
			Linton at 0348				
			hours).				
16.	0245	(U) CO A Co: Medevac is complete (Refer to entry 15).	S Bde	JJ			
			S2 (Received by SP4 Linton at 0340 hours).				
17.	0310	(C) CO A Co: Night Light spotted 2 NVA/VC in front of Bunker 4 picking up bodies in the wire; engaged with M-79 fire resulting in 1 secondary explosion.	S Bde	JJ			
			S2 (Received by SP4 Linton at 0340 hours).				
18.	0400	(C) CO A Co: At 0400 hours AT 984232 (direction of 5000 range 300-500 meters), the bunkerline spotted 80-100 personnel moving toward them at 5 abreast; Spooky requested.	S M Bde	JJ			
			S2 (Received by SP4 Linton at 0450 hours).				
19.	0410	(C) CO A Co: At 0410 hours AT 984252, radar picked up the personnel at a direction of 5200 range 600 (Refer to entry 18).	S M Bde	JJ			
			S2 (Received by SP4 Linton at 0450 hours).				
20.	0425	(C) CO A Co: 1 reaction force personnel, at 0425 hours, spotted the NVA/VC dressed uniformly through his binoculars.	S Bde	JJ			
			S2 (Received by SP4 Linton at 0450 hours).				
21.	0445	(C) CO A Co: At 0445 hours, Night Light spotted the VC/NVA at AT 980250; also spotted an unknown size enemy force at AT 971249 at a direction of 3600;	S M Bde	JJ			
			S2 (Received by SP4 Linton at 0450 hours).				

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21.	(Continued)		(C) 81MM mortars fired at both of these coordinates.		
22.	0455		(C) CO A Co: Starlight spotted 5-6 VC/NVA at a direction of 5100, range of 525 meters.	S Bde JJ	
				S2 (Received by SP4 Linton at 0610 hours).	
23.	0530		(C) CO A Co: At 0530 hours, Bunker 4 spotted movement in front of their bunker; engaged with M-79, M-16, M-60, and Gatlin fire.	S Bde JJ	
				S2 (Received by SP4 Linton at 0610 hours).	
24.	0540		(C) CO A Co: B C Scope spotted 15 VC/NVA.	S Bde JJ	
				S2 (Received by SP4 Linton at 0610 hours).	
25.	0550		(C) CO A Co: Bunker 29 spotted movement to their front; engaged with M-79 fire.	S Bde JJ	
				S2 (Received by SP4 Linton at 0610 hours).	
26.	0555		(U) CO B Co (CPT Gayler): 2d plat closed Co's NDP (Refer to entry 40 on 11 Aug 69).	S M JJ	
27.	0558		(U) CO B Co: 4th plat closed Co's NDP (Refer to entry 40 on 11 Aug 69).	S M JJ	
28.	0558		(C) CO A Co: At 0558 hours, Mortars spotted 15 VC/NVA evading South from AT 984247; engaged with fire crackers; 20 VC/NVA were also spotted in area and engaged with M-79 fire.	S M Bde JJ	
				S2 (Received by SP4 Linton at 0610 hours).	
29.	0600		(C) CO A Co: S3 (MAJ Lee) spotted 50 VC/NVA trying to evade South from AT 984247.	S M Bde JJ	
				S2 (Received by SP4 Linton at 0610 hours).	
30.	0630		(U) CO D Co (LIT Hall): 1st plat closed NDP (Refer to entry 40 on 11 Aug 69).	S M JJ	
31.	0645		(U) CO D Co: 1st plat moving.	S	JJ
32.	0715		(U) Blue Ghost 26: Entered FCA.	S	JJ
33.	0715		(U) SP4 Michael Wilson (MW) relieved LIT Jimmie Johnson NDO as RFO.		MW
34.	0725		(C) CO B Co: At AT 935255, 2d plat detained 1 VCI, age 25, dressed in black PJ's, with makeshift pack containing personal belongings and some documents; he had neg weapon and was moving SW; he did not try to evade; he and documents will be extracted from Co B on 13 Aug 69.	S M Bde MW	
				S2 (Received by SP4 Reese).	
35.	0730		(U) CO B Co: Element moving.	S	MW

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49.	(Continued)		(C) 121245H-121345H Aug 69; total packs: 110; total sorties: 3:		
		SORTIE	ACFT PZ/TIME LZ/TIME	UNIT	
		1	CH-47 LZ Ross/1245 LZ West/1255	Co D	
		2	CH-47 LZ Ross/1310 LZ West/1320	Co D	
		3	CH-47 LZ Ross/1335 LZ Siberia/1345	Co D	
			Frequency: Admin/Log 67.50		
			Callsigns: LZ Ross Quebec 90		
			LZ West Feud 91		
			LZ Siberia Sierra 90		
50.	1105		(U) CO D Co: Element moving towards LZ Ross.	S	MW
51.	1115		(U) FAC (Helix 16): Departed FCA.	S	MW
52.	1200		(U) SP4 Earl Eickelberger (EE) relieved SP4 Michael Wilson as RTO.		EE
53.		1200	(C) S2 to Bde S2: Readout on attack on LZ West: On 11-12 Aug 69, received 4 POW's, all of which indicates through interrogation that the unit that conducted the attack was elements of the NVA 3d Regiment; the 2d, 3d, and 7th Battalions are located on Hill 441, and approximate strength is about 600-1000 men; results to this time is 50 NVA KIA, 3 NVA POW's, 1 VC POW, 12 weapons captured consisting of AK-47's, AK-50, and B-40 rockets; also numerous Chi-com grenades and other ordinances were captured; final readout will be sent to Brigade after all of the search is completed.	S M Bde	EE
			(C) Bde S3 to S3: Request clearance for Air Strikes in the following grids: AT 950345, AT 940343, AT 946348, AT 946343, AT 943344, and AT 958360; the 1st Marines are requesting the clearance; Time Frame: ASAP-121800H Aug 69.	S M	EE
				Cleared by 1LT Johnson	
				to Bde S3	
				(Received by SP4 Hayes).	
55.		1350	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Activities for 13 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will continue to secure LZ West; conduct plat search and clear operations in area A1 (AT 9725 and AT 9825 (A2)). Co B will conduct search and clear operations in area (AT 890246, AT 906267, AT 930260, along CFZ to AT 896245, along river to AT 890246). Co C will continue to secure LZ Siberia; conduct sweep along assigned route (AT 964233, AT 903235, AT 898237, AT 895236, AT 960227, AT 907228, AT 908232, AT 904233). Co D (-) will assist in the security of LZ West; conduct search and clear operations	S M Bde	EE
				S3 (Received by SP4 Trogdon).	

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36.	0730		(C) CO D Co: 1st plat location AT 968332; 2d plat location AT 967315.	S M	MW
37.	0750		(U) Forward Air Control (FAC) Helix 16: Entered FCA.	S	MW
38.	0800		(C) LRRP: 5 NVA with packs and weapons were spotted moving from North to South at AT 981177.	S M Bde	MW
				S2 (Received by SP4 Reese).	
39.	0810		(U) LRRP: It is now reported that there are now 11 NVA in the area (Refer to entry 38).	S Bde	MW
				S2 (Received by SP4 Reese).	
40.	0845		(C) FAC (Helix 16): Results of Air Strike is as follows: At AT 951238 at 0845 hours, 12 500 lb bombs and 8 500 Napalms were expended, resulting in 1 secondary explosion and 3 structures destroyed.	S M	MW
41.	0845		(C) Bde S2 to S2: URS reports that there is an unknown size enemy force at AT 963254 at a radius of 1300 meters.	S M	MW
42.	0900		(U) CO C Co: 2d plat moving.	S	MW
43.	0900		(C) CO B Co: Co (-) location at DDP AT 926266; 3d plat location AT 937258.	S M	MW
44.	0905		(C) FAC (Helix 16): Results of Air Strike is as follows: At 0905 hours AT 967228, 12 250 lb bombs and 4 500 lb Napalms were expended, with BDA 95/100 resulting in 2 secondary explosions and 3 structures destroyed.	S M	MW
45.	0910		(C) CO D Co: 1st plat location AT 980334; 2d plat location AT 955314.	S M	MW
46.	0930		(C) CO D Co: At AT 961309, 2d plat engaged 1 male VC, age 25, dressed in green uniform with pack containing documents and neg weapon; distance of engagement was at 25 meters resulting in 1 VC KIA; the pack and documents will be extracted.	S M Bde	MW
				S2 (Received by LT Hanson)	
47.	1030		(U) CO D Co: 2d plat closed DDP.	S M	MW
48.	1030		(U) CO D Co: 1st plat closed DDP.	S M	MW
49.		1100	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Request for Air Support: Request CH-47 to airlift 2 plats/Co D from LZ Ross to LZ West, and 1 plat from LZ Ross to LZ Siberia; Time Frame:	S M Bde	MW
				S3 (Received by SP5 Hitt).	

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(C) with 1 plat in areas D1 (AT 9724) and D2 (AT 9824); 1 plat will assist in securing LZ Siberia. Recon Plat will assist in the security of LZ West; conduct search and clear operations in area of AT 9924.

56.

1410

(C) Bde S3 to S3: If a Trail Dust Mission is requested, it must be requested by 15 Aug 69; the format of information to send when requesting is as follows: (1) Province (2) Type of Target (3) Target Coordinate (4) 4 Groups of Coordinates (5) Size of Area (6) Type of Vegetation (7) Military Value (8) Overlay of Target in 1/50,000 (9) Each Target (10) Length of Target (minimum 12 Kilos) (11) Option 17 Kilos or More.

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57.

1420

(C) Bde S3 to S3: Request clearance for Herbicide Mission to be run in the following area: from ZC 0416 to ZC 050227; designator: HKA; request heavy suppression under control of Americal FAC; Time Frame: 140915H Aug 69.

S M Bde EE

S3 - Cleared by 1LT Johnson (Received by SP4 Hayes).

58.

1445

(U) CO D Co: Element closed LZ Ross.

S M

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59.

1445

(C) S3 to Bde: Night activities for 12 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will NDP LZ West and provide local security. Co B will NDP AT 925265 with LP's out 200 meters. Co C will NDP LZ Siberia and provide local security. Co D will NDP LZ West with 1 plat at LZ Siberia and provide local security. Recon Plat will NDP LZ West and provide local security.

S M Bde EE

S3 (Received by SP4 Hayes).

60.

1520

(U) CO B Co: 2d plat closed DDP (Refer to entry 43).

S M

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61.

1620

(U) FAC (Helix 14): Entered FCA.

S

EE

62.

1630

(U) FAC (Helix 14): Departed FCA.

S

EE

63.

1630

(U) CO D Co: Airlift has begun (Refer to entry 49).

S

EE

64.

1700

(U) CO D Co: Airlift is complete (Refer to entry 49).

S

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1715

(U) CO C Co: Airlift for Co C is complete from LZ East.

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1730

(U) SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) relieved SP4 Earl Eickelberger as RTO.

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67.	1737		(C) CO D Co: At 1725 hours AT 990257, engaged 1 NVA wearing khaki shirt and neg bottoms, age 25, carrying 1 Chicom grenade resulting in 1 NVA KIA; this individual charged at this friendly unit.	S M Bde	RJ		
				S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).			
68.	1740		(C) CO D Co: At 1228 hours AT 993334, received small arms fire from 7-10 VC/NVA at BP 000336 (Artillery was fired from LZ Center); at 1300 hours, neg fire was received, and artillery was put in with unknown results at this time.	S M Bde	RJ		
				S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).			
69.	1745		(C) CO E Co (1LT Brandon): Line Nine Report: 1-7, 2-7, 3-0, 4-0, 5-156, 6-156, 7-16, 8-0, 9-140.	S Bde	RJ		
70.	1810		(U) CO B Co: Element moving towards NDP (Refer to entry 59).	S	RJ		
71.	1820		(U) CO D Co: Element closed LZ West.	S M	RJ		
72.	1820		(C) Buckshot 90: Aerial Personnel Detector (APD) Sniffer pre-readout: Sus Max: AT 930190 to AT 940190; Sus Max: AT 882174 to AT 880170; Sus: AT 878168 to AT 882162; AT 959192 to AT 963165; also possible base camp and bunker complex at AT 9314 and AT 9414.	S M	RJ		
73.	1830		(C) CO D Co: At AT 988245, a mortar location was found along with 6 empty canisters; also found 1 155 artillery round with a rock on top of it; the 155 round was not destroyed and was left alone.	S M Bde	RJ		
				S2 (Received by SP4 Boguard).			
74.	1850		(U) CO B Co: Location at NDP (Refer to entry 59).	S M	RJ		
75.	1950		(U) CO C Co: LZ Siberia started to receive incoming mortar rounds.	S	RJ		
76.	2010		(C) CO C Co: LZ Siberia received incoming mortar rounds at 1950 hours; approximately 7 rounds landed outside of perimeter; there were neg casualties or damage; approximate grids of suspected mortar locations: AT 929244, AT 925245, and AT 932245.	S M Bde	RJ		
				S2 (Received by SP4 Boguard)			
77.	2010		(U) Bde S3 to S3: On 13 Aug 69 at 0950 hours to 1020 hours, Gen Clement and BG George F. Blanchard, directorate of plans and programs (OACSFAR), and BG Fred Kayhols, department directorate of plans (ODCSOPS), will have an orientation visit at LZ West; be prepared to brief.	S	RJ		
78.	2030		(C) CO A Co: At 2017 hours, Night Light spotted 3-4 VC/NVA moving towards the East at 980 meters at AT 983251.	S M Bde	RJ		
				S2 (Received by SP4 Boguard)			

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79.	2100	(U) CO A Co: Bunker 33 spotted movement; illumination was fired with neg sightings.	S	RJ			
80.	2200	(U) IRRP: There is a neg situation report at this time.	S	RJ			
81.	2200	(C) Bde S3 to S3: APD Sniffer Mission Readout: Sus Max: AT 897199 to AT 902199, AT 923194 to AT 927194, AT 935195 to AT 937195, AT 935188 to AT 940188, AT 961187 to AT 963184, AT 912181 to AT 915181, AT 895181 to AT 900182, AT 936162 to AT 937157, AT 935149 to AT 933145, AT 882174 to AT 887172, AT 878168 to AT 881164, AT 897155 to AT 899154; Max: AT 910199, AT 916198, AT 918189, AT 960193, AT 890178, AT 922178, AT 928186, AT 878160; Substan: AT 953-215, AT 928205, AT 880200, AT 883200, AT 915198, AT 894157, AT 918140, AT 911138, AT 907142, AT 900145, AT 872165, AT 865168, AT 912172; at AT 902190, 2 VC evaded into a spider hole; at AT 934147, 4 camouflaged huts were spotted with smoke coming from two bamboo platforms; at AT 882174, 4 VC evaded South.	S M	RJ			
82.	2246	(U) CO A Co: Radar picked up 1 individual at 190 meters in front of his position; engaged with M-79 with neg results.	S Bde	RJ			
			S2 (Received by SP4 Boguard)				
83.	2315	(U) CO A Co: Bunkers 8 and 9 spotted movement.	S	RJ			
84.	2320	(U) CO A Co: Bunker 10 spotted movement.	S	RJ			
85.	2330	(U) CO A Co: Bunker 10 spotted movement to their front and engaged with M-79 fire resulting in a possible 1 NVA KIA.	S Bde	RJ			
			S2 (Received by SP4 Boguard)				
86.	2400	(C) Summary: Co A continued to secure LZ West; conducted search and clear operations in assigned area; conducted sqd sweep along assigned routes; LZ West went on Red Alert Status at 2345 hours on 11 Aug 69 for a suspected enemy attack planned for dawn; this resulted in 1 incoming mortar round that wounded 4 US personnel (1 died at Da Nang), 50 NVA KIA, 3 NVA POW, 1 VC POW, 12 weapons captured consisting of AK-47's, AK-50, and B40 rockets along with numerous Chicom grenades and other ordinances. Co B conducted search and destroy operations in assigned area resulting in 1 VCI detained with makeshift pack containing some documents and personal items. Co C continued to secure					

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(C) LZ Siberia; conducted search and destroy operations in assigned area resulting in 7 incoming mortar rounds that landed outside of perimeter; there were neg casualties or damage. Co D started to conduct search and destroy operations in assigned area resulted in finding a mortar position along with 6 empty canisters; also found 1 155 artillery round that was not destroyed; 1 NVA KIA, 1 VC KIA along with 1 pack with documents; 3 plats were airlifted to LZ West for assistance in the security of this location, and 1 plat was airlifted to Co B. Recon Plat assisted in the security of LZ West.

87.

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(U) Journal closed by SP4 Rodger Johnson RTO.

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TIME	REPORTED OR CALLED	GRID	STATUS OF TGT	SHOT BY	ROUNDS
0003	Right Light	AT 980253	Sus En Location	Mortars West	9 RA 82mm
0005	Liaison (CPT Wolfe)	14th Quad Illumination		155's West	25
0045	Rattler 28	AT 960253	T O T	105's Siberia	15
0045	Mr. Wilondek	"	"	155's West	6
0045	15 Hours Until Maintenance	"	"	Mortars West	16
0120	Tail Number 133	B L 5	NVA/VC in Wire	"	11
0125	Liaison	WV1	"	105's Siberia	106
0140	<u>OUT</u> <u>IN</u> <u>SORTIES</u>	980251	<u>TIME</u> <u>MISSION</u>	Mortars West	15
0215	1000 1130	2	1 Hr 30 Min	LZ Baldy to LZ West, Packs to Co A	15
0310	1305 1420	3	2 Hr 20 Min	LZ Siberia, R/S, LZ Baldy to Refuel	11
0410	1500 1550	2	3 Hr 10 Min	Co B, LZ Siberia, R/S	10
0415	1730 1830	3	4 Hr 10 Min	LZ Baldy and Return	7
0440	TOTAL	10	4 Hr 10 Min	105's Siberia	6
0520	Co A FO	AT 979250	NVA/VC in open	"	30
0555	14-31 CO	AT 960252	"	155's West	30
0605	Liaison	WV7	NVA/VC evading	105's Siberia	24
0615	14-31 CO	AT 976236	NVA/VC	"	42
0630	26	AT 974254	NVA/VC running	Mortars West	21
0745	Liaison	AT 950238	Small Arms Fire from VC/NVA on Hill	105's Siberia	44
1230	"	AT 960238	Contact	"	7

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13 Aug 69

ITEM NO

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INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS ETC

ACTION

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1.

0001

(U) Journal opened by SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) RTO.

2.

0005

(U) CO A Co (CPT Mantell): Bunker 28 reported

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RJ

3.

0015

(U) CO A Co: Bunker 1 spotted some suspected move-

S

RJ

4.

0100

ment in the wire. (U) LZ West at Red Alert Status.

S

RJ

5.

0100

(U) SP4 Michael Wilson (MW) relieved SP4 Rodger Johnson as RTO.

MW

6.

0106

(U) CO A Co: 1st plat spotted 1 VC/NVA in front of Bunker 32; engaged with M-79, and the area was well covered resulting in the individual disappearing.

S Bde

MW

7.

0106

(U) Liaison (CPT Wolfe): Fired WW1.

S

MW

8.

0110

(U) Liaison: Fired WW6.

S

MW

9.

0115

(C) CO A Co: At 0115 hours AT 982249 at direction of 4700, Bunker 31 spotted movement; engaged with 81MM resulting in movement ceased.

S M Bde

MW

10.

0117

(U) Liaison: Fired WW2.

S

MW

11.

0200

(C) Shadow 47: Entered FCA; Target area: from AT 8920 to AT 9420 to AT 9418 to AT 8918 (cleared for free fire).

S M

MW

12.

0240

(C) CO A Co: 81MM fired on movement in front of Bunkers 31 and 32 at AT 982249 resulting in secondary explosion.

S M Bde

MW

13.

0250

(U) CO A Co: 81MM fired on movement in front of Bunkers 31 and 32 again resulting in 1 secondary explosion.

S Bde

MW

14.

0255

(C) CO A Co: Mortars fired at AT 984249 resulting in 1 secondary explosion.

S M Bde

MW

15.

0320

(C) CO A Co: Mortars fired at AT 985255 resulting in 1 secondary explosion.

S M Bde

MW

16.

0330

(U) LZ West at Yellow Alert Status.

S

MW

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					0001	13 Aug 69	2400	13 Aug 69
TIME NO.	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS ETC	ACTION	IN			
	IN	OUT						
17.	0330		(U) SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) relieved SP4 Michael Wilson as RTO.		RJ			
18.	0330		(U) CO A Co: Bunker 21 had movement to their front and engaged with M-26 grenades; there were neg results.	S Bde	RJ			
19.	0330		(U) CO A Co: Bunkers 30 and 31 had a trip flare go off to their front and engaged with 2 claymore mines; the results are unknown.	S2 (Received by SP4 Linton at 0540 hours)	RJ			
20.	0345		(U) CO A Co: Bunker 31 had movement to their front and engaged with M-79 fire; the results are neg.	S Bde	RJ			
21.	0400		(U) Shadow 47: Departed FCA to the East.	S2 (Received by SP4 Linton at 0540 hours)	RJ			
22.	0405		(U) CO A Co: Bunker 24 had movement to their front; illumination was fired with neg sightings.	S Bde	RJ			
23.	0405		(U) CO A Co: Bunker 24 had movement to their front; fired illumination with neg sightings.	S2 (Received by SP4 Linton at 0540 hours)	RJ			
24.	0435		(U) CO A Co: Bunker 34 had movement to their front and engaged with M-26 grenades and M-79 fire; the results are neg at this time.	S Bde	RJ			
25.	0510		(U) CO A Co: Bunker 6 had movement and noises to their front; engaged with M-26 grenades and the results are unknown.	S2 (Received by SP4 Linton at 0540 hours)	RJ			
26.		0610	(C) S3 (MAJ Lee) to Bde S3: Request Air Strikes in the following grids: (1) AT 918189 (2) AT 910199 (3) AT 916198 (4) AT 900182 (5) AT 923-194 to AT 927194 (6) AT 897199 to AT 902199; Time Frame: 130600H-131800H Aug 69.	S Bde M	RJ			
27.	0620		(U) SP4 Terald Graves (TG) relieved SP4 Rodger Johnson as RTO.	S3 (Received by LT Pharis)	TG			
28.	0700		(U) Long Range Recon Patrol (LRPP): There is a neg situation report at this time.	Cleared by S3.	TG			
29.	0715		(U) CO B Co (CPT Gayler): 1st plat/Co D, and 1st and 2d plats/Co B are moving.		TG			
30.	0750		(U) CO B Co: Element moving towards DDP.		TG			

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LZ WEST

AT 990251

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IN

31.

0755

(U) FAC (Helix 17): Entered FCA from the South.

S

TG

32.

0815

(U) FAC (Helix 17): Departed FCA to the East.

S

TG

33.

0815

(C) Bde S2 to S2 (CPT Akiona): URS reports that

S M

TG

there is an unknown size enemy force at AT 985302

at a radius of 5000 meters; also AT 978178 at a

radius of 2000 meters (this is a suspected Div HQS).

34.

0815

(U) SP4 Michael Wilson (MW) relieved SP4 Terald

MW

Graves as RIO.

35.

0900

(C) CO B Co: Location at DDP AT 904266.

S M

MW

36.

0915

(U) CO B Co: 1st plat/Co D and 1st plat/Co B

S

MW

moving.

37.

0930

(C) CO D Co (1LT Hall): At AT 986246, 2d plat/Co

S M Bde

MW

D policed up 17 Chicom grenades, 1 bangalore tor-

pedo, and 1 20 lb shaped charge; also found 2 dead

S2 (Received

by SP4 Reese).

NVA.

38.

0940

(U) CO B Co: 4th plat moving.

S

MW

39.

0950

(C) Bde Artillery to S3: Request clearance for

S M

MW

Air Strikes in the following grids: (1) AT 994339

(2) AT 990325 (3) AT 985325; Time Frame: 140600H

S3 Air (CPT

141800H Aug 69.

Whitcar) to

Bde Arty (Re-

ceived by SP4

Pleinius).

40.

1000

(U) Bde CO (COL Tackaberry) arrived LZ West.

S

MW

41.

1010

(U) CO B Co: 4th plat closed DDP (Refer to entry

S

MW

35).

42.

1020

(C) CO B Co: 1st plat location AT 919258; 2d plat

S M

MW

location AT 909268; 1st plat/Co D location AT 914-

262.

43.

1055

(U) Bde CO departed LZ West.

S

MW

44.

1100

(C) Bde S2 to S2: URS reports that there is an

S M

MW

unknown size enemy force at AT 932150 at a radius

of 1000 meters.

45.

1105

(C) CO B Co: At 1105 hours AT 911256, 2 VCS were

S M Bde

MW

detained, 1 dressed in black PJ's and the other

S2 (Received

dressed in green shorts and T-shirt; they had neg

by SP4 Boguard)

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45.	(Continued)		(C) packs or weapons and did not try to evade; approximate ages 20-22; detainees were released through IPW-classified as IC.		
46.	1110		(C) Bde S3 to S3: Request clearance for Herbicide Mission in the following area: From AT 9922 to BT 1722; Time on Target: 140630H Aug 69; request fire for fire; also request locations, frequencies, and callsigns of all units in target area to contact prior to mission; under control of Americal FAC.	S M	MW
47.	1120		(C) Bde S2 to S2: MI Que Son agent reports that the V-11 of the 105th Battalion is now operating in Thach Thuong #2 in vic AT 967320; rating C-3.	S M	MW
48.	1140		(U) CO B Co: 2d plat closed DDP (Refer to entry 35).	S M	MW
49.	1200		(U) LRRP: Extraction was made at 1200 hours from insertion point; there was neg contact when extracted.	S	MW
50.	1205		(U) FAC (Helix 13): Entered FCA.	S	MW
51.	1220		(U) Bn Aid Station: Request 1 routine medevac for 1 VC at IZ West; Medevac ship #610 is on its way.	S	MW
52.	1230		(C) FAC (Helix 13): Results of Air Strike is as follows: At 1230 hours AT 923194, 12 500 lb bombs and 6 500 lb Napalms were expended, and the foliage was too thick for BIA.	S M	MW
53.	1255		(U) FAC (Helix 13): Departed FCA.	S	MW
54.	1325		(U) Bn Aid Station: Medevac is complete (Refer to entry 51).	S	MW
55.	1400		(C) S3 to Bde S3: Co A will continue to secure IZ West; conduct plat size detail search operations in areas -1- (AT 957233, AT 957240, AT 970240, AT 970234, along river to AT 957233)-2-(AT 970234, AT 970240, AT 980240, AT 980228, along river to AT 970234)-3-(BT 000217, BT 000227, BT 010227, BT 000220, BT 004217, along river to BT 000217). Co B will assume OPCON of 1 plat/Co C effective upon completion of airlift of Co C to IZ Siberia; conduct plat size detail search operations in areas -D3- (AT 930243, AT 930252, AT 940252, AT 940243, AT 930243)-B1-(AT 930230, AT 930240, AT 940240, AT 940235, along river to AT 930230)-B2-(AT 940240, AT 950240, AT 950234,	S M Bde	MW
	Activ-ities for 14 Aug 69.			S3 (Received by SP4 Letourne)	

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55.	(Continued)		(C) along river to AT 940235, AT 940240)-B3-(AT 940240, AT 950250, AT 956246, AT 950240, AT 940240; establish a plat size OP on LZ O'Connor AT 934243. Co C (-) will continue to secure LZ Siberia; conduct plat size detail search operations in assigned area CI (AT 907210, AT 915210, along river to AT 921200, AT 908200, AT 908210). Co D (-) will continue to assist in securing LZ West; conduct plat size detail search operations in assigned areas DI (BT 003227, BT 007236, BT 016234, BT 010226, BT 007227)-D2-(AT 990260, AT 990268, BT 000268, BT 000260, AT 990260); 1st plat will remain OPCON under Co B. Recon Plat will continue to assist in securing LZ West; conduct search and clear operations in assigned area (AT 960260, AT 956270, AT 979278, AT 983270, AT 960260).		
56.	1500		(U) CO B Co: 3d plat departed DDP (Refer to entry 35).	S	MW
57.	1500		(U) SP4 Earl Eickelberger (EE) relieved SP4 Michael Wilson as RTO.		EE
58.	1500		(U) FAC (Helix 16): Entered FCA.	S	EE
59.	1505		(C) CO A Co: Sqd/3d plat closed AT 974255; also sqd/1st plat closed this location.	S	EE
60.	1703		(U) FAC (Helix 13): Entered FCA.	S	EE
61.	1725		(U) FAC (Helix 13): Departed FCA.	S	EE
62.	1730		(U) SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) relieved SP4 Earl Eickelberger as RTO.		RJ
63.	1730	LATE ENTRY	(C) CO B Co: At 1350 hours AT 904266, 4 VCS were detained, approximate ages 15-16, dressed in black PJ's with neg packs or weapons; they did try to evade; they will taken to LZ West for interrogation. (C) S5 LNO Hiep Duc (SFC Pacolba): Local people of Hiep Duc say that there is about 1 Battalion of VC at the following locations: (1) AT 960224 (2) AT 956223 (3) AT 950224.	S M Bde	RJ
64.	1730		(C) CO E Co (1LT Brandon): Line Nine Report: 1-7, 2-7, 3-0, 4-0, 5-126, 6-126, 7-60, 8-0, 9-66.	S M Bde	RJ
65.	1733		(U) CO B Co: Element moving.	S	RJ
66.	1735		(C) S3 to Bde S3: Night activities for 13 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will NDP LZ West and provide local security. Co B will conduct CP and 1st plat	S M Bde	RJ
67.		1805		S M Bde	RJ

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196th Inf Bde				2400		13 Aug 69	
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67.	(Continued)		(C) at AT 916257; sqd/2d plat ambush at AT 911260, 2d plat (-) ambush at AT 912264; sqd/3d plat ambush at AT 905259, 3d plat (-) ambush at AT 903259; 1st plat/Co D ambush at AT 899253. Co C will conduct 1st plat ambush at AT 936253; 3d plat will NDP IZ Siberia for security; CP and 3d plat ambush at AT 933236 and AT 933242. Co D (-) will NDP IZ West and provide local security. Recon Plat will NDP IZ West and provide local security.				
68.	1805		(U) CO C Co: 3d plat and CP are in position for night activities (Refer to entry 67).	S M	RJ		
69.	2045		(U) IZ West on Yellow Alert Status.	S	RJ		
70.	2100		(C) MACV Sr Advisor Hiep Duc (CPT Brown): Intel- legence Report: At AT 905265 to AT 918280 running parallel to Blue Line, there are 200 NVA heading towards Hiep Duc (information is from village chief); There are an estimated 100 NVA moving North in grids AT 933202, AT 942204, and AT 950201 (information from VN O4 officer); At AT 923270, AT 933273, AT 940267, and AT 933263, this could be a possible staging area before an attack at 0100 hours - the NVA should possibly stop in this block at 2200 hours.	S M Bde	RJ		
71.	2130		(C) Bde S3 to S3: Request clearance for Herbicide Mission in the following area: From AT 9496 to AS 9096 to AS 890965 to AS 8598 to AS 8499 to AS 821-980; Time on Target: 150945H Aug 69; designator HPA; request clearance for heavy suppression under control of Americal PAC; request frequencies, call-signs, and locations of all units in target area to contact prior to mission.	S M	RJ		
72.	2250		(U) CO A Co: Bunker 5 spotted 1 individual in the 3d string of wire and engaged with M-26 grenades and M-79 fire; there are unknown results at this time.	S Bde	RJ		
73.	2300		(U) CO A Co: Bunker 31 had movement to their front and engaged with M-79 fire; the results are unknown.	S Bde	RJ		
74.	2301		(U) CO A Co: Bunker 19 had definite movement to their front and engaged with M-26 grenades; the results are unknown at this time.	S Bde	RJ		
75.	2315		(U) CO A Co: Bunker 9 reported movement to their	S Bde	RJ		

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AT 990251

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75.

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(U) front and engaged with M-79 fire; also illumination was fired with neg findings.

76.

2325

(U) LZ West at Red Alert Status.

S

RJ

77.

2350

(U) CO A Co: At 2350 hours at the West end of hill on LZ Siberia, some flashes were spotted; counter mortar radar on LZ West will check the area out.

S Bde

RJ

78.

2400

(U) MACV Sr Advisor Hiep Duc: 1 incoming round landed in between the wires at LZ Karen; there were neg casualties.

S Bde

RJ

79.

2400

(C) Summary: Co A continued to secure LZ West; conducted plat search and clear operations in assigned area with neg results. Co B conducted search and clear operations in assigned area resulting in 6 VCS detained who were released IPW. Co C continued to secure LZ Siberia; conducted sweep along assigned route with neg results. Co D (-) assisted in the security of LZ West; conducted search and clear operations with 1 plat in assigned area resulting in policing up 17 Chicom grenades, 1 bangalore torpedo, and 1 20 lb shaped charge at AT 986-246; also found 2 dead NVA at this location. Recon Plat continued to assist in the security of LZ West; conducted search and clear operations in assigned area with neg results.

S2 (Received by SP4 Linton at 0230 hours).

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80.

2400

(U) Journal closed by SP4 Rodger Johnson RTO.

RJ

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13 August 69

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Mr. Cosmonski

15 Hours Until Maintenance

Tail Number 875

OUT	IN	SORTIE	TIME	MISSION
0815	0915	6	1 Hr 00 Min	R/S to LZ Karen, Co B, LZ Siberia
0930	1010	4	1 Hr 40 Min	Hiep Duc, LZ Siberia
1105	1145	6	2 Hr 20 Min	LZ Karen, Co C, Co B, Packs
1325	1415	2	3 Hr 10 Min	LZ Baldy
1445	1635	4	4 Hr 50 Min	Hiep Duc, LZ Baldy, Refuel
1635	1800	4	5 Hr 45 Min	Milk Run

TOTAL 2300H

18

5 Hr 45 Min

(800 rounds, 2200H)

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	IN	OUT					
1.	0001		(U) Journal opened by SP4 Michael Wilson (MW) RTO.		MW		
2.	0030		(U) CO A Co: (CPT Mantell) At 0030 hours, Bunker 19 spotted movement to their front; engaged with 81MM, and the results are unknown.	S Bde	MW		
				S2 (Received by SP4 Linton at 0230 hours).			
3.	0130		(U) CO A Co: At 0130 hours, Bunker 3 spotted 1 personnel to their front; illumination was fired by the 155's, and there were neg sightings.	S Bde	MW		
				S2 (Received by SP4 Linton at 0230 hours).			
4.	0215		(U) LZ West at Yellow Alert Status.	S	MW		
5.	0215		(U) SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) relieved SP4 Michael Wilson as RTO.		RJ		
6.	0515		(U) LZ West at Red Alert Status.	S	RJ		
7.	0516		(U) CO C Co (CPT Murphy): LZ Siberia took 1 possible incoming recoilless rifle round; there were neg casualties or damage.	S Bde	RJ		
				S2 (Received by SP4 Stron-ler).			
8.	0645		(U) SP4 Michael Wilson (MW) relieved SP4 Rodger Johnson as RTO.		MW		
9.	0700		(U) CO B Co (CPT Gayler): Element moving.	S	MW		
10.	0705		(U) CO C Co: 1st shuttle of 3d plat from LZ O'Connor to LZ Siberia by the Command and Control (C & C) helicopter has started.	S	MW		
11.	0715		(U) CO C Co: 2d plat moving.	S	MW		
12.	0725		(U) Blue Ghost 25: Entered FCA on V/R.	S	MW		
13.	0735		(U) CO C Co: Shuttle of 3d plat is complete (Refer to entry 10).	S	MW		
14.	0745		(U) CO C Co: 1st plat location at LZ O'Connor.	S	MW		
15.	0815		(U) Forward Air Control (FAC) Helix 13: Entered FCA.	S	MW		
16.	0815		(C) CO A Co: 2d plat location AT 998228.	S M	MW		
17.	0820		(U) CO C Co: 2d plat moving.	S	MW		
18.	0820		(C) Blue Ghost 25: Results of mission (Refer to entry 12) are as follows: At AT 989328, engaged 1 VC male, approximate age 25-30, dressed in green	S M Bde	MW		
				S2 (Received by SP4 Reese).			

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18.	(Continued)		(C) uniform, resulting in 1 VC KIA; at AT 978311, engaged 1 VC/NVA dressed in green uniform evading into a bunker which was destroyed; at AT 962309, engaged 1 VC/NVA male dressed in green uniform, and engaged with hand frags with neg results; at AT 978-322, engaged 1 VC/NVA male dressed in green uniform evading into a tunnel with neg results; at AT 987-317, spotted 7-8 bunkers and 2 green uniforms outside of the bunkers; at AT 993334, engaged 1 VC/NVA male carrying 1 AK-47 with neg results; at AT 976-327, engaged 1 VC/NVA male dressed in green uniform with neg results.					
19.	0830		(U) CO D Co (1LT Hall): 2d plat moving.	S	MW			
20.	0835		(C) Bde Artillery to S3 (MAJ Lee): Vietnamese Air Force requests clearance for Air Strikes in the following areas: (1) AT 940279 (2) AT 946277 (3) AT 950276; Time Frame: 150600H-151800H Aug 69 - also request clearance for Arty Registration in grid AT 9834; Time Frame: ASAP-141800H Aug 69.	S M	MW			
				Air Strikes cleared by S3, and Arty Registration cleared by 1LT Johnson to Bde Arty (Received by SPl Pleinus).				
21.	0835		(U) Recon Plat (1LT Williams): Element moving.	S	MW			
22.	0840		(C) CO A Co: 2d plat location AT 998221.	S M	MW			
23.	0900		(U) CO D Co: 3d plat and 4th plat (destroyer) moving.	S	MW			
24.	0900		(C) Recon Plat: At 0900 hours AT 974250, a possible mortar position was found with a 10 meter circle and in position to where LZ West can be viewed.	S M Bde	MW			
				S2 (Received by LT Hansen).				
25.	0920		(C) CO A Co: At 0920 hours AT 983240, 3d plat detained 1 NVA POW who was wounded and carrying 1 AK-50 with 60 rounds (SN B101068).	S M Bde	MW			
				S2 (Received by LT Hansen at 1030 hours).				
26.	0930		(C) CO D Co: 2d plat location AT 995262; 3d and 4th plats location AT 998247.	S M	MW			
27.	0950		(C) CO A Co: 3d plat approximate location AT 982238.	S M	MW			
28.	1010		(C) CO B Co: Element location at DDP AT 934243; plats will be sent out to search in the assigned areas (Refer to entry 55 on 13 Aug 69); 1st plat moving.	S M	MW			
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29.	1030		(C) CO A Co: 2d plat location BT 000225.	S M	MW		
30.	1040		(C) Recon Plat: At 1040 hours AT 962258, 2 VC/NVA were spotted evading East carrying weapons with neg packs; Recon called in artillery which was fired from LZ Siberia resulting in area will covered; the area will be checked out by Recon.	S M Bde	MW		
				S2 (Received by SP4 Reese).			
31.	1045		(C) CO D Co: 2d plat location AT 998260; 3d and 4th plats location BT 002240; OP location BT 003243.	S M	MW		
32.	1050		(C) CO C Co: At 1050 hours AT 909210, 2d plat found a possible mortar position with 10-15 spider holes around it; the positions seemed to have been used within the last 2-3 days.	S M Bde	MW		
				S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).			
33.	1130		(U) CO D Co: 2d plat closed LZ West.	S M	MW		
34.	1145		(C) Recon Plat: Location at AT 961256.	S M	MW		
35.	1225		(C) CO A Co: 3d plat location AT 967237.	S M	MW		
36.	1230		(U) SP4 Earl Eickelberger (EE) relieved SP4 Michael Wilson as RT0.		EE		
37.	1320		(C) CO D Co: 3d and 4th plats location from BT 003247 to BT 005248.	S M	EE		
38.	1323		(C) Recon Plat: Location at AT 973267.	S M	EE		
39.	1328		(U) CO C Co: 2d plat closed LZ Siberia.	S M	EE		
40.	1343		(C) CO B Co: 1st plat location AT 932238.	S M	EE		
41.	1348		(C) CO A Co: 2d plat location AT 997228; 3d plat location AT 982241.	S M	EE		
42.		1410	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Activities for 15 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will continue to secure LZ West; conduct plat size search and clear operations in assigned areas-A1 (AT 989255, AT 989267, BT 000267, BT 000260, BT 002258, AT 997252, AT 989255)-A2-(AT 989255, AT 989267, AT 976267, AT 976255, AT 989255). Co B will conduct plat size search and clear operations in assigned areas-B1 (AT 922268, AT 913275, AT 925280, AT 930280, AT 930270, AT 922268)-B2-(AT 903257, AT 894267, AT 900270, AT 908263, AT 903257)-B3-(AT 893252, AT 886260, AT 891264, AT 987257, AT 893252)-C3-(AT 950242, AT 950253, AT 968253, AT 968243, AT 950242)-D3-(grid squares: AT 9327 and AT 9427);	S M Bde	EE		
				S3 (Received by PFC Ofstad).			

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42.	(Continued)		(C) continue OPCON of 1 plat/Co C and 1 plat/Co D; will establish OP on LZ O'Connor with plat (-) from Co C. Co C (-) will continue to secure LZ Siberia; conduct plat size search and clear operations in assigned area C1 (AT 876204, AT 876216, AT 890217, AT 890204, AT 876204); conduct sqd size sweep along assigned route C2 (AT 902234, AT 906235, AT 907231, AT 900228, AT 896231, AT 900234, AT 902234); 1 plat will remain OPCON under Co B. Co D (-) will continue to assist in the security of LZ West; conduct plat size search and clear operations in assigned area D1 (AT 995246, BT 001258, BT 010253, BT 000-240, BT 000246, AT 995246)-D2-(BT 000240, BT 010252, BT 020244, BT 010230, BT 000230, BT 000240); 1 plat will remain OPCON under Co B. Recon Plat will continue to assist in the security of LZ West; conduct sweep operations within the assigned area (AT 990-247, BT 000247, BT 000230, BT 010230, BT 010220, AT 990220, AT 990247).		
43.	1415		(C) CO D Co: 3d plat location BT 008240.	S M	EE
44.	1415		(U) CO D Co: 4th plat closed LZ West.	S M	EE
45.	1425		(U) Bn Aid Station: Request medevac for 1 NVA POW with wounds on leg (Refer to entry 25).	S Med-	EE
				evac Control	
				LZ Baldy re-	
				ported Medevac	
				ship #609 is	
				on its way.	
46.	1425		(U) CO B Co: 1st plat closed DDP (Refer to entry 28).	S M	EE
47.	1425		(U) CO A Co: 2d plat closed LZ West.	S M	EE
48.	1427		(C) Recon Plat: Location at AT 984269.	S M	EE
49.	1610		(U) CO B Co: 3d plat departed DDP on sweep.	S	EE
50.	1625		(U) CO A Co: 3d plat closed LZ West.	S M	EE
51.	1630		(U) FAC (Helix 17): Entered FCA.	S	EE
52.	1630	LATE ENTRY	(U) Bde S2 to S2 (CPT Akiona): Readout from the 4 POW's captured on 12 Aug 69 (Refer to entry 53 on 12 Aug 69): It seems like 2 AF Co's operated	S Re-	EE
				ceived from	
				MAJ Williamson	
				(Bde) at 1420	
				hours).	

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52.	(Continued)		(C) against the 4-31 Inf, 1 from a Regiment and 1 from a Division; ground attack can be supported from 1000 meters.		
53.		1645	(C) S2 to Bde S2: Request Aerial Personnel Detector (APD) Sniffer Mission be run in the following area: from AT 9821 E to AT 9521 S to AT 9517 W to AT 8517 N to AT 8521.	S M Bde	EE
			(U) Recon Plat: Element closed LZ West.	S M	EE
54.	1655		(U) FAC (Helix 17): Departed FCA to the East.	S	EE
55.	1700		(C) S2 to Bde S2: Request V/R Mission be run in following area: from AT 9522 E to BT 0222 to S BT 0218 W to AT 9518 N to AT 9522.	S M Bde	EE
				S2 (Received by SP4 Boguard)	
57.		1715	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Night activities for 14 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will NDP LZ West and provide local security. Co B will conduct night activities in area BT (AT 902252, along CFZ to AT 908260, AT 907263, AT 899254, AT 902252)-B2-(AT 908260, AT 907263, AT 920265, AT 916257, along CFZ to AT 908260)-B3-(AT 916257, AT 920265, AT 930265, AT 930260, along CFZ to AT 916257)-C-(AT 930257, AT 933258, AT 934248, AT 930248, along CFZ to AT 930257)-D-(AT 902252, AT 899254, AT 894245, along river to AT 896245, along CFZ to AT 902252). Co C will NDP LZ Si-beria and provide local security (Co -). Co D (-) will NDP LZ West and provide local security; 4th plat ambush at AT 976250. Recon Plat will NDP LZ West and provide local security.	S M Bde	EE
				S3 (Received by PFC Ofstad).	
58.	1720		(U) CO B Co: 3d plat closed DDP (Refer to entry 28).	S M	EE
59.		1725	(C) S2 to Bde S2: At 1100 hours on 12 Aug 69 at Hiep Duc Medcap, Le Dinh Trung was brought in by 2 Vietnamese from Hiep Duc for treatment of a frag wound on his back; interrogation of wounded reveals that Trung was a PF from 1964 to 1965; he was discharged because he lost his hearing; he claimed to have been wounded at 2000 hours 12 Aug 69; Trung is believed to be a POW until proven otherwise; he had an NVA bandage on his wound when brought in.	S M Bde	EE
				S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).	
60.		1725	(C) S2 to Bde S2: Delayed entry of Serial Numbers	S Bde	EE

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60.	(Continued)		(C) of weapons captured: (Refer to entry 37 on 13 Aug 69) At AT 986246, Co D found 2 rocket launchers with the 2 dead NVA - 1 ea RPG-7 (SN NAN124), and 1 ea RPG-2 (SN 1003412); both RPG's will be retained at this location (LZ West) for war trophies.					
61.	-	-	(C) S2: War Trophies for LZ West that were captured in recent engagements are as follows: (1) 1 ea Soviet Anti-tank Launcher RPG-7 (VC B-41, SN NAN-126); (2) 1 ea Soviet Anti-tank Grenade Launcher, model RPG-2 Chicom, type 56, VC B-40 (SN 1002515); (3) Soviet 7.62mm assault Rifle model AK-47 (Kalashnikov) Chicom, type 56 -1- SN 1107517, -2- SN 63T3369, -3- SN 10046338; (4) NVA 7.62mm Sub-machine Gun K-50 -1- SN 1966BY927 -2- SN B101058; (5) Russian 9mm Pistol, SN 1684; (6) 2 Rocket Launchers: -1- RPG-7 SN NAN-124 -2- RPG-2 SN 1003412.	S	EE			
62.	1730		(U) CO B Co: 3d plat departed DDP (Refer to entry 28).	S M	EE			
63.	1735		(U) SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) relieved SP4 Earl Eickelberger as RTO.		RJ			
64.	1745		(U) CO B Co: Element moving to night activities (Refer to entry 57).	S	RJ			
65.	1815		(U) Bn Aid Station: Medevac complete (Refer to entry 45).	S	RJ			
66.	1815		(C) 4-31 Inf CO (LTC Henry): 2 VC were spotted in the open at AT 962259; 4.2mm engaged this grid with results unknown.	S M Bde	RJ			
67.	1850		(C) CO E Co (1LT Brandon): Line Nine Report: 1-38, 2-17, 3-21, 4-21, 5-172, 6-193, 7-53, 8-0, 9-140.	S Bde	RJ			
68.	2005		(U) CO B Co: 2d plat is in position for night activities (Refer to entry 57).	S M	RJ			
69.	2130		(U) CO A Co: At 2130 hours, Bunker 6 spotted 1-2 personnel moving around the 3d strand of wire; engaged with M-79 fire and M-26 grenades, and the results are unknown at this time.	S Bde	RJ			
70.	2150		(U) CO A Co: At 2150 hours, Bunker 29 spotted moving light to their front, approximately 300 meters; engaged with 81mm with results unknown; observation is being kept at this time.	S Bde	RJ			
71.	2205		(U) LZ West at Yellow Alert Status.	S	RJ			
72.	2205		(U) CO A Co: At 2205 hours, Bunker 18 spotted moving	S	RJ			

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12 Hours Until Maintenance

Tail Number 227

<u>OUT</u>	<u>IN</u>	<u>SORTIE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>MISSION</u>
0645	0815	10	1 Hr 30 Min	LZ Baldy to LZ West, Co C, Packs from LZ O'Connor to LZ Siberia
0955	1310	4	3 Hr 00 Min	Extraction of NVA from 3d plat/ Co A
1435	1450	3	3 Hr 15 Min	LZ Siberia, LZ O'Connor
1505	1620	4	4 Hr 30 Min	LZ Baldy for ice
1640	1710	5	5 Hr 00 Min	Milk Run and LZ Baldy
TOTAL		26	5 Hr 00 Min	

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1.	0001		(U) Journal opened by SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) RTO.		RJ														
2.	0100		(U) SP4 Terald Graves (TG) relieved SP4 Rodger Johnson as RTO.		TG														
3.	0100		(C) Bde S2 to S3 (MAJ Lee): Infra-Red Grids: AT 938131 (5 emissions - 105's from IZ Siberia fired 6 rounds HE on this grid), AT 839242 (1 emission); also with 1 emission each are: AT 898241, AT 845-239, AT 868223, and AT 889238.	S M	TG														
4.	0230		(U) CO D Co (1LT Hall): Bunker 10 spotted 1 person to their front and engaged with M-79 fire; also illumination was fired by mortars with results unknown.	S	TG														
5.	0300		(U) CO A Co (CPT Mantell): Bunker 31 spotted a light 300 meters in front of their bunker; engaged with mortars resulting in lights out.	S	TG														
6.	0620		(U) CO A Co: 1st plat departed IZ West.	S M	TG														
7.	0630		(U) CO A Co: 2d plat departed IZ West.	S M	TG														
8.	0645		(C) CO B Co (CPT Gayler): 1 60mm mortar round was found at AT 918257 (NDP); it will be destroyed before the element moves out later this morning.	S M Bde	TG														
9.	0700		(C) CO A Co: 2d plat location AT 989259.	S M	TG														
10.	0710		(C) CO A Co: 1st plat location AT 987260.	S M	TG														
11.	0710		(U) CO B Co: Element moving at this time.	S	TG														
12.	0715		(U) CO C Co (CPT Murphy): 3d plat moving.	S	TG														
13.	0720		(U) SP4 Michael Wilson (MW) relieved SP4 Terald Graves as RTO.		MW														
14.	0725		(U) Forward Air Control (FAC) Helix 16: Entered FCA.	S	MW														
15.	0740		(U) CO D Co: 4th plat (destroyer) moving.	S	MW														
16.	0750		(U) CO D Co: 2d plat moving.	S	MW														
17.	0750		(C) Bde S2 to S2 (CPT Akiona): URS reports that there is an unknown size enemy force at BT 011228 at a radius of 800 meters; artillery and mortars fired	S M	MW														

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17.		(Continued)	(C) on this location.												
18.	0750		(C) Bde S3 to S3: 3-21 Inf requests clearance for AO extension in grids BF 0122, BF 0121, BF 0123, and BF 0124; Time Frame: ASAP-151800H Aug 69.				S M Neg	MW							
							(CPT Whittedar) to Bde S3 (Received by 1LT Pharis-IO).								
19.	0815		(U) CO D Co: 3d plat moving.				S	MW							
20.	0820		(C) CO C Co: 3d plat location AT 888219.				S M	MW							
21.	0824		(C) CO A Co: 1st plat location AT 998262; 2d plat location AT 987263.				S M	MW							
22.	0830		(C) CO B Co: Co (-) location at DDP AT 922272; 2d plat location AT 907257; 3d plat location AT 894255; 1st plat/Co C location AT 935238; 1st plat/Co D location AT 903250.				S M	MW							
23.	0850		(C) CO C Co: 3d plat location AT 882210.				S M	MW							
24.	0900		(C) CO D Co: 2d plat location BF 005251; 3d plat location BF 003246; 4th plat location AT 998249.				S M	MW							
25.	0940		(U) CO B Co: 1st plat/Co D moving.				S	MW							
26.	0940		(U) Recon Plat (1LT Williams): Element moving.				S	MW							
27.	0945		(U) CO B Co: 1st plat/Co C closed Co B's DDP (Refer to entry 22).				S M	MW							
28.	0950		(U) CO A Co: 2d plat closed IZ West.				S M	MW							
29.	1000		(C) FAC (Helix 17): Request clearance for fire for fire at grid AS 839988.				S M	MW							
							Cleared by S3 to Helix								
30.	1000		(U) CO C Co: 3d plat closed IZ Siberia.				S M	MW							
31.	1005		(C) Bde Artillery to S3: Request clearance for Air Strike at AS 839989; Time Frame: ASAP-151800H Aug 69).				S M	MW							
							Cleared by S3 Air to Bde Arty (Received by SP4 Fleirus).								
32.	1040		(U) CO D Co: 4th plat closed IZ West.				S M	MW							

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33.	1050		(C) Bde S3 to S3: Request clearance for Aerial Personnel Detector (APD) Sniffer Mission in the following area: upper left of AT 9720, lower right of BT 0315; Time Frame: 170800H-171030H Aug 69; request clearance for free fire.	S M	MW
				Cleared by S3 Air to Bde S3 (Received by SPL Reese).	
34.	1055		(U) CO A Co: 1st plat closed LZ West.	S M	MW
35.	1055		(U) Medic Team - Hiep Duc: Request urgent medevac for 2 Vietnamese (litter).	S Medevac	MW
				Control LZ Baldy reported that Med ship #614 is on way.	
36.	1110		(C) CO D Co: At 1110 hours AT 997255, 10 VC/NVA were engaged carrying weapons; when engaged, the VC/NVA evaded to the East; artillery was called and fired from LZ Center resulting in area well covered; Co D checked out the area with neg results.	S M	MW
				(Received by SPL Boguard).	
37.	1125		(U) Medic Team - Hiep Duc: Medevac is complete (Refer to entry 35).	S	MW
38.	1150		(C) Bde S2 to S2: URS reports there are unknown size enemy forces at the following locations: (1) AT 9481147 at a radius of 1000 meters (2) AT 994213 at a radius of 900 meters (3) AT 998223 at a radius of 1000 meters.	S M	MW
39.	1205		(U) CO B Co: 1st plat closed DDP (Refer to entry 22).	S M	MW
40.	1210		(U) CO B Co: 1st plat/Co D closed Co B's DDP (Refer to entry 22).	S M	MW
41.	1215		(U) CO D Co: 4th plat closed LZ West.	S M	MW
42.	1220		(U) SPL Earl Eickelberger (EE) relieved SPL Michael Wilson as RTO.		EE
43.	1230		(U) CO D Co: 3d plat closed LZ West.	S M	EE
44.	1255		(U) CO B Co: 3d plat closed DDP (Refer to entry 22).	S M	EE
45.	1310		(U) CO D Co: 2d plat closed LZ West.	S M	EE
46.	1314		(U) CO B Co: 2d plat closed DDP (Refer to entry 22).	S M	EE
47.	1410		(U) Medic Team - Hiep Duc: Request medevac for 1	S	EE

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47.	(Continued)		(U) Vietnamese (litter) with suspected T.B.; Medevac Control LZ Baldy reported that Med ship #604 is on its way.
48.	1420		(U) FAC (Helix 14): Departed FCA.
49.		1440	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Night activities for 15 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will NDP LZ West and provide local security. Co B will conduct 2d plat ambushes at AT 911263 and AT 904260; 1st plat and CP will NDP AT 919259; 3d plat ambushes at AT 898255 and AT 895250; 1st plat/Co D ambushes at AT 934256 and AT 938252; 1st plat/Co C will OP AT 935240 (LZ O'Connor). Co C will NDP LZ Siberia and provide local security. Co D will NDP LZ West and provide local security. Recon Plat will NDP LZ West and assist in the security of LZ West.
50.		1440	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Activities for 16 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will continue to secure LZ West; conduct detail search in areas-1 (AT 983263, AT 993264, AT 993250, AT 983250, AT 983263)-2-(AT 993264, BT 000264, BT 000250, AT 993250, AT 993264). Co B will conduct detail plat search operations in areas-B1 (grid squares AT 9324)-2-(AT 915259, AT 915264, AT 930264, AT 930260, AT 918253, along CFZ to AT 915259)-3-(AT 893246, AT 894252, AT 899257, AT 903252, along CFZ to AT 896245, along river to AT 893246); will release 1st plat/Co G and 1st plat/Co D. Co C will have 1st plat to continue to secure LZ Siberia; Co (-) will conduct search and clear operations in area (AT 870222, along river to AT 880231, AT 880220, AT 890220, AT 890210, AT 900210, AT 900200, AT 870200, AT 870222); 1st plat will be released from OPCON under Co B. Co D will conduct search and clear operations in area (BT 000260, BT 027240, BT 010215, along river to AT 990221, AT 990240, BT 000240, BT 000260); 1st plat will be released from OPCON under Co B. Recon Plat will conduct detail search in area (AT 960233, AT 960260, AT 984260, AT 984227, along river to AT 960233).
51.	1445		(U) Medic Team - Hiep Duc: Medevac is complete (Refer to entry 47).
52.	1445		(C) Recon Plat: Location at AT 992224.
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53.	1455		(C) Bde S3 to S3: Hoi An requests clearance for Air Strikes at AT 961308, AT 966309, and AT 969305; Time Frame: 160600H-161800H Aug 69.	S M	EE		
				Cleared by S3 Air to Bde S3 (Received by SP4 Pleinus).			
54.		1455	(C) S2 to Bde S2: Operation to question female Vietnamese located South of LZ West: At 1000 hours at AT 994245, S2 (4-31 Inf) questioned 3 mamasons and 1 babyson for possible knowledge concerning the attack on LZ West on 11-12 Aug 69 and VC in general in FCA; questioned were the following: (1) Tran Thi Vo, age 35 (2) Tran Thi Vinh, age 65 (3) Tran Thi Lai, age 60 (4) Tran Sang, age 5; Tran Thi Vinh has a son in the PF at Hiep Duc, name: Nguyen Tinh; all requested to be sent to Hiep Duc; it is the S2 recommendation that these people be classified as refugees and taken to Hiep Duc; Vietnamese people could give no information of military importance; along with these people mentioned were 3 others who are related, 2 females - ages 9 and 12, and 1 boy - age 10; they all wanted to go to Hiep Duc before, but was afraid of the friendly artillery.	S M Bde	EE		
				S2 (Received by SP4 Boguard).			
55.	1534		(C) Recon Plat: Location at BT 002225.	S M	EE		
56.	1615		(U) FAC (Helix 17): Entered FCA.	S	EE		
57.	1630		(C) FAC (Helix 17): Results of Air Strike is as follows: At 1630 hours AT 975288, 4 rockets and 16 500 lb bombs were expended, with BDA 90/80, resulting in 2 bunkers destroyed.	S M	EE		
58.	1655		(U) FAC (Helix 17): Departed FCA.	S	EE		
59.	1725		(C) CO E Co (1LT Brandon): Line Nine Report: 1-32, 2-11, 3-21, 4-42, 5-82, 6-124, 7-95, 8-16, 9-13.	S Bde	EE		
60.	1730		(U) Recon Plat: The airlift of this element was started; airlifted by the Command and Control (C & C) helicopter.	S	EE		
61.	1740		(C) Bde S2 to S2: URS reports that there are unknown size enemy forces in the following areas: (1) AT 940165 at a 800 meter radius -Div HQ (2) AT 960165 at a 1000 meter radius (3) AT 832219 at a 500 meter radius; artillery was fired from LZ Siberia;	S M	EE		

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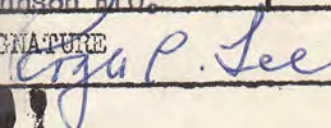
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61.	(Continued)		(C) DELAYED URS: There is an unknown size enemy force at ZC 182183 at a 750 meter radius -Regmt HQ (there was neg firing).				
62.	1745		(U) SPL4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) relieved SPL4 Earl Eickelberger as RTO.		RJ		
63.	1750		(U) Recon Plat: Airlift is complete by the C & C.	S	RJ		
64.	1753		(C) C & C Helicopter: At BT 002228, approximately 50 rounds of AK fire was received when the aircraft was setting down; artillery was fired on this grid.	S M	RJ		
65.	1810		(U) CO C Co: 2d plat moving.	S	RJ		
66.	1850		(U) CO B Co: 3d plat and CP moving.	S	RJ		
67.	1900		(U) CO B Co: 1st plat/Co D and 1st plat/Co C are moving; also 2d plat is moving.	S	RJ		
68.		1905	(C) S2 to Bde S2: At 1845 hours AT 970284, C & C received 1 round of AK-47 fire, but there were neg hits on the chopper; alt: 1800 feet, speed: 60 knots.	S M Bde S2 (Received by SPL4 Parks).	RJ		
69.	1915		(U) CO C Co: 2d plat closed NDP (Refer to entry 49).	S M	RJ		
70.	1955		(U) CO B Co: CP and 2d plat location at DDP (Refer to entry 49).	S M	RJ		
71.	2045		(U) CO B Co: All elements are in position for night activities (Refer to entry 49).	S M	RJ		
72.	2400		(C) Summary: Co A continued to secure IZ West; conducted plat size search and clear operations in assigned areas with neg results. Co B conducted plat size search and clear operations in assigned areas; continued OPCODE of 1 plat/Co C and 1 plat/Co D; established an OP on IZ O'Connor with plat (-) from Co C; there were neg results. Co C (-) continued to secure IZ Siberia; conducted plat size search and clear operations in assigned area C1; conducted sod size sweep along assigned route C2 with neg results. 1st plat remained OPCODE under Co B. Co D (-) continued to assist in the security of IZ West; conducted plat size search and clear operations in assigned area D1 with neg results; 1st plat remained OPCODE under Co B. Recon Plat continued to assist in the security of IZ West; conducted sweep along assigned area with neg results.				
73.	2400		(U) Journal closed by SPL4 Rodger Johnson RTO.		RJ		

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1025	1135	4	1 Hr 10 Min	Packs from LZ Siberia, LZ West to LZ Baldy
1240	1330	5	2 Hr 00 Min	Recon, Co B and LZ O'Connor, R/S
1500	1730	3	3 Hr 44 Min	Chu Lai
1730	1750	12	4 Hr 00 Min	Recon, Packs
1800	1835	5	4 Hr 35 Min	Milk Run, LZ Baldy
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1.	0001	5 MAR 1975 REGRADED UNCLASSIFIED SEC ARMY BY TAG PER ORDER 7502111	(U) Journal opened by SP4 Terald Graves (TG) RTO.		TG		
2.	0050		(U) CO A Co (CPT Mantell): Bunker 30 spotted a light 200 meters to their front; engaged with M-79 fire and mortars with results of light going out.	S	TG		
3.	0610		(U) CO B Co (CPT Gayler): 4th plat closed Co's NDP (Refer to entry 49 on 15 Aug 69).	S M	TG		
4.	0700		(U) CO A Co: 1st and 3d plats departed IZ West.	S M	TG		
5.	0700		(U) SP4 Michael Wilson (MW) relieved SP4 Terald Graves as RTO.		MW		
6.	0710		(U) CO C Co (CPT Murphy): 1st lift of 1st plat/Co C is inbound to IZ Siberia (Refer to entry 50 on 15 Aug 69).	S	MW		
7.	0735		(U) CO C Co: 2d and 3d plats moving; also CP is moving.	S	MW		
8.	0740		(U) CO C Co: Airlift of 1st plat/Co C from Co B is complete (Refer to entry 50 on 15 Aug 69).	S M	MW		
9.	0755		(U) CO B Co: Airlift of 1st plat/Co B to IZ O:- Connor has started (Refer to entry 50 on 15 Aug 69).	S	MW		
10.	0805		(U) CO B Co: 1st plat airlift is complete (Refer to entry 50 on 15 Aug 69).	S M	MW		
11.	0815		(C) Bde S2 to S2 (CPT Akiona): URS reports that there are unknown size enemy forces at (1) AT 942-180 at a radius of 500 meters (2) AT 962177 at a radius of 900 meters; artillery fired on both grids.	S M	MW		
12.	0835		(C) CO A Co: 1st plat location AT 983258.	S M	MW		
13.	0845		(C) CO C Co: Co (-) location AT 888217.	S M	MW		
14.	0845		(U) Forward Air Control (FAC) Helix 14: Entered FCA.	S	MW		
15.	0900		(C) CO A Co: 1st plat location AT 986261; 3d plat location AT 994264.	S M	MW		
16.	0905		(U) FAC (Helix 14): Departed FCA.	S	MW		
17.	0910		(C) CO C Co: 2d plat moving from DDP AT 888217.	S M	MW		
18.	0915		(U) CO B Co: Airlift of 1st plat/Co D is underway (Refer to entry 50 on 15 Aug 69).	S	MW		
19.	0945		(C) CO A Co: 1st plat location AT 983264.	S M	MW		
20.	1000		(U) CO B Co: Airlift of 1st plat/Co D is complete	S M	MW		

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(U) (Refer to entry 50 on 15 Aug 69).

21.

1000

(C) S3 (MAJ Lee) to Bde S3: Additional activities for Co B on 16 Aug 69 are as follows: Co B will conduct plat size search and clear operations in grid square AT 9424.

S M Bde MW
S3 (Received
by SP4 Trogdon).

22.

1000

(C) Buzzsaw 90: Entered FCA on Aerial Personnel Detector (APD) Sniffer Mission; given free fire in area South of 22 grid line to AT 9222, and South of 19 grid line to AT 9219.

S M

MW

23.

1015

(U) CO A Co: 3d plat closed IZ West.

S M

MW

24.

1025

(U) FAC (Helix 14): Entered FCA.

S

MW

25.

1040

(C) CO C Co: 3d plat moving, 2d plat location AT 880223.

S M

MW

26.

1050

(C) CO B Co: 3d plat (-) location AT 901252, sqd/3d plat location AT 895247.

S M

MW

27.

1050

(U) Buzzsaw 90: Departed FCA (Refer to entry 22).

S

MW

28.

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(C) CO C Co: Sqd/2d plat location AT 877208.

S M

MW

29.

1100

(C) Bde S2 to S2: APD (Sniffer) Mission Readout: Max: AT 919188, AT 928189, AT 890107, AT 895186, AT 856188, AT 860190, AT 872179, AT 875179, AT 905185, AT 902185, AT 879178; Substan Max: AT 939147, AT 933144.

S M

MW

30.

1130

(C) FAC (Helix 14): Results of Air Strike is as follows: At 1130 hours AT 977292, 8 500 lb bombs and 4 Napalms were expended, with BDA 100/100.

S M

MW

31.

1135

(U) FAC (Helix 14): Departed FCA.

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MW

32.

1140

(C) CO A Co: 1st plat location AT 988264.

S M

MW

33.

1145

(U) CO C Co: Sqd/2d plat closed DDP (Refer to entry 17).

S M

MW

34.

1200

(U) SP4 Earl Eickelberger (EE) relieved SP4 Michael Wilson as RTO.

EE

35.

1205

(C) Long Range Recon Patrol (LRRP: Alabama): In-section was made at 1205 hours at AT 910153.

S M

EE

36.

1230

(U) CO C Co: 2d plat closed DDP (Refer to entry 17).

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EE

37.

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(C) CO C Co: 3d plat location AT 873213.

S M

EE

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(U) CO A Co: 1st plat closed LZ West.

S M

EE

39.

1257

(U) CO C Co: Sqd/2d plat closed DDP (Refer to entry 17).

S M

EE

40.

1315

(U) Medic Team - Hiep Duc: Request medevac for 1

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EE

Vietnamese female at Hiep Duc; she is losing feeling in legs resulting from old wounds; Medevac Control LZ Baldy reported Med ship #6114 is on its way.

41.

1340

(U) Medic Team - Hiep Duc: Medevac is complete

S

EE

(Refer to entry 40).

42.

1440

(C) Command and Control (C & C) Helicopter: A few

S M Bde

EE

rounds of small arms fire (tracer) from a base camp area was received, but there were neg casualties or hits; TN: 497; alt: 2000 feet; speed: 80 knots; grid received fire: AT 809182; fighters are being requested; artillery fired on grid with unknown results.

S2 (Received by SPL Bognard).

43.

1455

(U) CO D Co (LIT Hall): Element departed LZ West.

S M

EE

44.

1500

(C) S3 to Bde S3: Night activities for 16 Aug 69

S M Bde

EE

are as follows: Co A will NDP LZ West and provide

S3 (Received by SPL Lepaneau)

local security. Co B will have 2d plat and CP NDP

at AT 920259; 1st plat (-) NDP at AT 933243, sqd/

1st plat ambush at AT 943243; 3d plat (-) ambush at

AT 900253, sqd/3d plat ambush at AT 895251. Co C will

have 1st plat to NDP LZ Siberia and provide local se-

curity; 2d plat (-) + 3d plat (-) + CP NDP at AT 889-

212; sqd/2d plat ambush at AT 877212; sqd/3d plat an-

bush at AT 879219. Co D will NDP BT 009231; 1st plat

ambush at BT 009235; 3d plat ambush at BT 009227.

Recon Plat will conduct plat ambush at AT 961244.

45.

1500

(C) S3 to Bde S3: Activities for 17 Aug 69 are as

S M Bde

EE

follows: Co A will continue to secure LZ West; con-

S3 (Received by SPL Lepaneau).

duct detailed search in areas A1 (AT 982256, AT 987-

260, AT 992253, AT 986248, AT 982256) A2-(AT 984248,

AT 990248, AT 990240, AT 984240, AT 984248). Co B

will conduct search and destroy operations (day) in

area B1 (AT 843243, AT 893245, along river to AT 843-

240, AT 843243, along routes: -1- AT 890245, AT 876-

240, AT 856240, AT 854237, AT 856236, AT 869227 -2-

AT 890245, AT 876240, AT 872237, AT 872231, -3- AT

886243, AT 878233, AT 876227) beginning at 170530H

Aug 69; pay particular attention to circled area:

AT 861236, AT 867236, AT 868232, AT 861236 where numerous

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45.	(Continued)		(C) reports state there are 3 OP's built up high and camouflaged; conduct night activities in areas -B2-(AT 896245, AT 895246, AT 899253, AT 902251, along CFZ to AT 896245)-B3-(AT 904256, AT 903257, AT 910264, AT 910260, along CFZ to AT 904256)-B4-(AT 915256, AT 915260, AT 930260, along CFZ to AT 915256). Co C will continue to secure LZ Siberia; continue day and night operations in area (AT 880-231, AT 880220, AT 890220, AT 890210, AT 900210, AT 900200, AT 870200, AT 870222, along river to AT 880-231). Co D will continue day and night operations in area (AT 990221, AT 990240, BT 000240, BT 000260, BT 027240, along stream to BT 007214, along river to AT 990221). Recon Plat will continue day and night operations in area (AT 983260, AT 983227, along river to AT 960233, AT 960260, AT 983260).		
46.	1510		(U) FAC (Helix 14): Entered FCA.	S	EE
47.	1545		(U) FAC (Helix 14): Departed FCA.	S	EE
48.	1605		(C) CO D Co: Location at BT 004246.	S M	EE
49.	1610		(U) CO C Co: 2d plat closed DDP (Refer to entry 17)	S M	EE
50.	1615		(U) Recon Plat (LIT Williams): Element departed LZ West.	S M	EE
51.	1720		(C) CO E Co (LIT Brandon): Line Nine Report: 1-21	S Bde	EE
52.	1730		2-11, 3-10, 4-20, 5-59, 6-79, 7-53, 8-19, 9-9. (U) SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) relieved SP4 Earl Eickelberger as RTO.		RJ
53.	1735		(C) Recon Plat: At 1720 hours AT 961258, 4 VC/NVA were spotted at a distance of 1000 meters with neg packs or weapons; observed these VC/NVA moving West and engaged with Quad 50 and Artillery from LZ West; the area was well covered, and Recon is checking the area out.	S M Bde	RJ
54.	1735		(C) Recon Plat: At 1718 hours AT 968252, 2 VC/NVA were engaged wearing black PJ's with neg packs or weapons; distance of engagement was at 300 meters, but the VC/NVA evaded successfully to the West; there were neg results.	S M Bde	RJ
55.	1830		(U) CO C Co: 2d and 3d plats + CP are moving.	S	RJ
56.	1840		(U) CO C Co: 2d and 3d plats + CP are in position.	S M	RJ

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56.	(Continued)		(U) for night activities (Refer to entry 44).					
57.	1840		(C) IZ Karen (MAJ Soan): In the morning of 16 Aug 69, agent from Hiep Duc reported 6 MVA that were WIA died from wounds received by Artillery during the attack on IZ West on the morning of 12 Aug 69; the wounded traveled together with the enemy unit to grid AT 9420 before they died; at 1800 hours 15 Aug 69, the enemy unit moved to grid AT 9422 through black pass (Artillery fired on this grid); another unit moved to AT 966202 (Artillery fired on this location from IZ West); on 14 Aug 69, Hiep Duc received a Chieu Hoi from Binh Son Village Phuoc Tuy Hamlet, Hiep Duc District, name: Nguyen Ty Doan - age 35; on 16 Aug 69, 1 Chieu Hoi from Son Tay Village Vo An Hamlet, Hiep Duc District, name: Dang Huong - age 34.	S M Bde RJ		S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).		
58.	1845		(C) Bde S2 to S3: At 0930 hours this day, the 2d ARVN's captured documents indicating 2 Delta Phase; the Delta Campaign will start the night of 16 Aug 69 and will end on 22 Aug 69; the documents were captured in Binh Dinh Village.	S		RJ Message sent to Hiep Duc, Co B, and to IZ Siberia.		
59.	1930		(U) CO C Co: 2d and 3d plats are in position for night activities (Refer to entry 44).	S M		RJ		
60.	2000		(C) Bde S2 to S3: Infra-Red Mission to be run: (1) 4-59 ID 0170; Time Frame 162045H-162115H Aug 69 (2) 4-56 ID 0171; Time Frame: 162115H-162130H Aug 69.	S M		RJ		
61.	2110		(U) CO A Co: Bunker 19 had suspected movement and engaged with M-79 fire; also illumination was fired with neg surveillance.	S		RJ		
62.	2120		(U) CO B Co: 2d and 3d plats are in position for night activities (Refer to entry 44).	S M		RJ		
63.	2140		(C) CO C Co: At NDP AT 889218, a trip flare went off 25-30 meters outside of position; engaged with 2 hand frags; personnel was heard running away in a Northernly/NW direction; 81mm was fired with results unknown.	S M Bde RJ		S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).		
64.	2400		(C) Summary: Co A continued to secure IZ West; conducted detail search in assigned areas with neg results. Co B conducted detail plat search operations.					

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(C) in assigned areas and released OPCON of 1st
plat/Co C and 1st plat/Co D with neg results. Co C
had 1 plat to secure LZ Siberia; conducted search
and clear operations in assigned area and received
1st plat from OPCON of Co B; there were neg results.
Co D conducted search and clear operations in as-
signed area and received 1st plat from OPCON of Co
B; there were neg results; Recon Plat conducted de-
tail search in assigned area with neg results.

65.

2400

(U) Journal closed by SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) RTO.

RJ

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FIRE MISSIONS

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TIME	REPORTED OR CALLED	GRID	NATURE OF TGT	SORTIE	REMARKS
0050	Rattler 28	HL 304200			Mortars West 3 HK
0053	Mr. Wilondek	AT 994316	Light		155's West 5 HK
0315	3 Hours Until Maintenance	001361	Movement		11 HK
0733	Tail Number 497	AT 988362	VC/WVA		18 HK 2 HK
0830	Liaison	AT 982180	VC		105's Siberia 12 HK
	<u>OUT</u> <u>IN</u> <u>Wolfe</u> <u>SORTIE</u>	<u>AT</u> <u>TIME</u>	<u>MISSION</u>		
0830	0700 0810	12	1 Hr 10 Min	Airlift of Co C and Co E Plats	
	0835 0950	7	2 Hr 25 Min	R/S to LZ Karen, POL, Airlift of 1 plat/Co D	
0915	1015 1125 West	2	2 Hr 45 Min	LTC to LZ Karen and Return	5 HK 1 WP
	1135 1210	2	3 Hr 20 Min	Packs to LZ Baldy, return to LZ West	10 HK
1215	1310 1600	8	6 Hr 10 Min	V/R, LZ Baldy for Refuel, Hiep Duc and LZ Baldy	
	1600 1640	3	6 Hr 40 Min	LZ Karen, Co D, Packs	1 HK
1205	1700 1800	4	7 Hr 40 Min	Milk Run	9 HK
1225	1800 1820	2	8 Hr 00 Min	LZ Baldy and Return	12 HK
1225					105's Siberia 2 WP
1403	TOTAL	40	8 Hr 00 Min		20 WP 24 HK
1410					
1630	Mortars West	AT 986224	Registration		1 WP 4 HK
1900	82	AT 943215 AT 955228 AT 966202	Intelligence		105's Siberia 35 HK
1916	Recon Plat (HIF Williams)	AT 961358	6 VC/WVA		155's West 15 HK
1834	OP Lion				155's West 10 HK FIRE

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1.	0001	5 MAR 1975	(U) Journal opened by SP4
2.	0050		(U) CO A Co (CPT Mantell): light 200 meters to their fire and mortars with resu
3.	0610		(U) CO B Co (CPT Gayler):
4.	0700	RECEIVED UNCLASSIFIED ORDER SEC ARMY BY TAG PER	NDP (Refer to entry 49 on (U) CO A Co: 1st and 3d p
5.	0700		(U) SP4 Michael Wilson (MW Graves as RTO.
6.	0710		(U) CO C Co (CPT Murphy): Co C is inbound to LZ Sibe on 15 Aug 69).
7.	0735	7502111	(U) CO C Co: 2d and 3d pl moving.
8.	0740		(U) CO C Co: Airlift of 1 is complete (Refer to entr
9.	0755		(U) CO B Co: Airlift of 1
10.	0805	7502111	Connor has started (Refer (U) CO B Co: 1st plat air
11.	0815		to entry 50 on 15 Aug 69). (C) Bde S2 to S2 (CPT Akio
			there are unknown size en 180 at a radius of 500 met
12.	0835	7502111	radius of 900 meters; arti (C) CO A Co: 1st plat loc
13.	0845		(C) CO C Co: Co (-) locat
14.	0845		(U) Forward Air Control (F FCA.
15.	0900	7502111	(C) CO A Co: 1st plat loc location AT 994264.
16.	0905		(U) FAC (Helix 14): Depa
17.	0910		(C) CO C Co: 2d plat mov
18.	0915	7502111	(U) CO B Co: Airlift of (Refer to entry 50 on 15

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| 1. | 0001 | | (U) Journal opened by SP4 Terald Graves (TG) RTO. | | TG |
| 2. | 0400 | | (U) CO B Co (CPT Gayler): CP + 2d and 4th plats are moving. | S | TG |
| 3. | 0410 | | (U) CO B Co: 1st plat moving. | S | TG |
| 4. | 0620 | | (U) CO C Co (CPT Murphy): Sqd/2d plat moving. | S | TG |
| 5. | 0620 | | (U) CO C Co: Sqd/3d plat moving. | S | TG |
| 6. | 0640 | | (U) Recon Plat (1LT Williams): Element moving. | S | TG |
| 7. | 0640 | | (U) CO A Co (CPT Mantell): 2d plat departed IZ West. | S M | TG |
| 8. | 0645 | | (U) CO A Co: 3d plat departed IZ West. | S M | TG |
| 9. | 0645 | | (C) CO B Co: Location at AT 897253 and moving. | S M | TG |
| 10. | 0655 | | (U) CO C Co: All elements have closed CP NDP (Refer to entry 44 on 16 Aug 69). | S M | TG |
| 11. | 0700 | | (U) SP4 Michael Wilson (MW) relieved SP4 Terald Graves as RTO. | | MW |
| 12. | 0725 | | (C) CO A Co: 2d plat location AT 985263. | S M | MW |
| 13. | 0730 | | (U) CO D Co: (1LT Hall) 1st and 2d plats moving. | S | MW |
| 14. | 0745 | | (C) Bde S2 to S2 (CPT Akiona): Weather Report: General area: partly cloudy with rain or thunder showers in the mountains this afternoon; 3 day outlook: little change; low vis: 7 miles; low cell: 2500 scattered; temp: H-94° L-75°; rel hum: 90% and 50%; den alt: 2800-1800; IAS: 29.74; ave winds: light and variable in morning and tonight from NE 5-15 knots in the afternoon; BMNT: 0542; SR: 0631H; SS: 1908H; EENT: 1956; MR: 0936H; MS: 2143H; illum: 13%. | S | MW |
| 15. | 0755 | | (U) Forward Air Control (FAC) Helix 17: Entered FCA. | S | MW |
| 16. | 0800 | | (C) Bde S2 to S2: URS reports an enemy Div HQS at AT 934187 at a radius of 1100 meters; artillery from IZ Siberia and IZ West fired on grid. | S M | MW |
| 17. | 0810 | | (C) FAC (Helix 17): Air Strike at AT 811184 is confirmed. | S M | MW |
| 18. | 0815 | | (U) Blue Ghost White: Entered FCA. | S | MW |

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19.	0820		(C) Recon Plat: At 0818 hours AT 960249, 3 mamasons carrying rice on a trail to the North were detained dressed in black bottoms and various colored tops, ages 60, 25, and 18; they had papers giving them permission to buy rice from the VC; they will be taken to LZ West for initial interrogation.		
20.		0830	(C) S2 to Bde S2: Request Aerial Personnel Detector (APD) Sniffer Mission be run in the following area: from AT 9031 E to AT 9931 S to AT 9927 W to AT 9027 N to AT 9031; special emphasis on grid box: from AT 9330 E to AT 9730 S to AT 9728 W to AT 9328 N to AT 9330; it is very important that this mission be flown at Time Frame: 180600H-180700H Aug 69, and the reason is to support operations in that area at about 0800 hours; request that hot readings be sent to this command ASAP.		
21.	0835		(U) CO C Co: Co (-) is moving at this time.		
22.	0840		(C) Bde Artillery to S3 (MAJ Lee): Request clearance for Air Strikes in the following areas: (1) AT 980315 (2) AT 984314 (3) AT 982319; Time Frame: 180600H-181800H Aug 69.		
23.	0845		(U) Blue Ghost White: Departed FCA.		
24.	0850		(C) S5 LNO Hiep Duc (SFC Palcolba): Intelligence Report: People from Hiep Duc reported that there is a plat of VC in the following grids: AT 935270, AT 945270, and AT 940264; C-3 rating.		
25.	0900		(C) CO C Co: Co (-) location at DDP AT 888217; 2d plat moving.		
26.	0910		(C) MACV Sr Advisor Hiep Duc (CPT Brown): People at Hiep Duc reported that there are 2 companies of VC at grid AT 9327; C-3 rating; artillery fired from LZ Siberia (24 rounds HE); also engaged with Quad 50.		
27.	0920		(C) FAC (Helix 17): Results of Air Strike is as follows: At AT 811184 at 0920 hours, 18 500 lb bombs and 9 Napalms were expended. with BDA 100/90, resulting in 3 secondary fires.		
28.	0945		(U) MG Ramsey arrived LZ West.		
29.	1005		(U) MG Ramsey departed LZ West.		

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30.	1010		(U) FAC (Helix 13): Entered FCA.	S	MW
31.	1015		(C) CO C Co: Sqd/2d plat location AT 888218.	S M	MW
32.	1025		(U) FAC (Helix 13): Departed FCA.	S	MW
33.	1040		(C) CO B Co: CP and 2d plat location AT 873237; 1st	S M	MW
34.	1045		plat location AT 882237; 3d plat location AT 866238.	S M	MW
35.	1100		(C) CO D Co: 1st plat location BT 019243; 2d plat	S M	MW
36.	1115		location BT 005235; DDP at BT 014233.	S M	MW
37.	1125		(C) Recon Plat: Element (-) location AT 973233;	S M	MW
38.	1145		sqd location AT 979236.	S M	MW
39.	1145		(U) CO C Co: Sod/2d plat closed DDP (Refer to entry	S M	MW
			25).		
			(U) CO D Co: All elements have closed DDP (Refer	S M	MW
			to entry 34).		
			(U) Blue Ghost White: Entered FCA on V/R and given	S M	MW
			free fire: N of 26 line between 90 and 94 grid line.	S M	MW
			(C) Bde S2 to S2: Interrogation Readout: The fol-	S M	MW
			lowing detainees were questioned: (1) Nguyen Thi		
			Hanh, age 20, from An-Son Hamlet, Son Hoa Village,		
			captured by Recon Plat at AT 960249 at 0818 hours;		
			she went to Phuoc Hoa #2 (AT 968241) to buy potat-		
			oes but there were none; so she left to go home and		
			was captured; she was 1 of 3 - the other 2 captured		
			had VC passes; she gave the names of 3 hamlet guer-		
			rillas who are still living there with neg weapons:		
			1- Mai Van Tu (age 17) 2- Mai Thi Vna (age 20) 3-		
			Nguyen Loc (age 25). (2) Do Thi Hoi, age 49, from		
			An-Son Hamlet, Son Hoa Village; incidents are the		
			same as #1, but in addition, she had a VC pass; neg		
			other information. (3) Nguyen Thi Hong, age 25; in-		
			formation is same as above (#2) but lied when she		
			was first questioned.		
40.	1230		(U) SP4 Earl Bickelberger (EE) relieved SP4 Michael		EE
			Wilson as RTO.		
41.	1230		(C) Blue Ghost White: Results of V/R mission are	S M Bde	EE
			as follows: (1) At AT 951283, found 1 hut that was	S2 (Received	
			camouflaged; engaged and destroyed the hut (2) At	by SP4 Boguard).	
			AT 946278, spotted some green uniforms drying out-		
			side of the huts but neg action was taken (3) At		
			AT 949283, spotted 1 bunker with a camouflaged hut		
			over the entrance; engaged and destroyed the bunker		
			and hut; checked out area and found 3 large rocks		
			covering the entrance of a cave.		

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42.	1235		(U) Blue Ghost White: Departed FCA.		
43.	1253		(U) FAC (Helix 16): Entered FCA.	S	EE
44.	1315		(U) FAC (Helix 16): Departed FCA.	S	EE
45.	1330		(C) CO A Co: 2d plat closed LZ West; 3d plat location AT 983242.	S M	EE
46.	1332		(C) Recon Plat: Element (-) location AT 971233; sqd location AT 977239.	S M	EE
47.	1335		(U) CO B Co: 1st plat closed DDP.	S M	EE
48.		1350	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Night activities for 17 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will NDP LZ West and provide local security. Co B will have CP + 2d and 4th plats NDP at AT 906258; 1st plat ambush at AT 920-259; 3d plat ambush at AT 896249. Co C will have 2d and 3rd plat (-) + CP NDP at AT 898208; sqd/2d plat ambush at AT 895205; sqd/3d plat ambush at AT 888209. Co D will NDP BT 006224; sqd/3d plat ambush at BT 005225; sqd/3d plat ambush at BT 006222. Recon Plat will conduct sqd size ambush with CP at AT 978231; sqd size ambush at AT 980237.	S M Bde	EE
49.		1350	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Activities for 18 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will continue to secure LZ West; conduct search and clear operations in area with 1 plat (AT 990250, AT 990269, BT 000272, along AO Boundary to BT 012250, AT 990250). Co B will conduct search and clear operations in area (AT 930290, AT 950290, AT 950276, AT 930276, AT 930290) to find cave and rice cache reported by a Chieu Hoi; co-ordinate with this for acceptance of Chieu Hoi; National Police will accompany search on the morning of the 18th. Co C will continue to secure LZ Siberia with 1 plat; Co (-) will conduct search and clear operations in area (AT 900210, AT 915210, along river to AT 930197, AT 930190, AT 910190, AT 910200, AT 900200, AT 900-210). Co D will continue to search and clear in area (AT 990250, BT 012250, BT 027240, BT 009215, along river to AT 990221, AT 990250). Recon Plat will continue to search and clear in area (AT 960260, AT 983260, AT 983227, along river to AT 960233, AT 960-260).	S M Bde	EE
50.	1400		(U) CO B Co: 3d plat closed DDP.	S M	EE

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51.

1403

(U) CO A Co: 3d plat closed LZ West.

S M

EE

52.

1403

(C) Bde S3 to S3: Request clearance for Herbicide

S M

EE

Missions in the following areas: (1) Requestor:

HKA; description: AT 8500, AS 8598, AS 8898, AS

9097, AS 9397, AS 9697; Time Frame: 191015H Aug 69

(2) Requestor: HHA; description: AS 7896, AT 8400,

AS 8698, AS 8998, AS 9196, AS 9596, AS 9896; Time

Frame: 190645H Aug 69.

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S3 Air to Bde
S3 (Received
by SPL Letour-
neau).

53.

1510

(U) CO A Co: Sqd/2d plat departed LZ West.

S M

EE

54.

1515

(C) Long Range Recon Patrol (LRRP): Extraction

S M Bde

EE

was made at 1515 hours; reason for extraction was

that they made contact with 3-4 VC, but the results

are unknown at this time; Rattler 24 received 3

rounds of sniper fire while making airlift but there

were neg hits.

S2 (Received
by SPL Parks).

55.

1520

(C) MACV Sr Advisor Hiep Duc: PF/RF's request

S M

EE

clearance for ambushes in grid AT 8923; Time Frame:

171800H-180700H Aug 69.

Cleared by
S3 Air to Hiep
Duc.

56.

1530

(C) CO A Co: At 1530 hours AT 987253, 1 NVA body

S M Bde

EE

was found about 150 meters in front of the wire; he

had 1 Chicom grenade; he was killed on the night

of the attack at LZ West by 50 cal fire; also found

4 Chicom grenades, blasting cap and wire for a clay-

more mine.

S3 (Received
by SPL Parks).

57.

1537

(U) FAC (Helix 13): Entered FCA on station.

S

EE

58.

1558

(U) FAC (Helix 13): Departed FCA off station.

S

EE

59.

1600

(U) CO D Co: Element moving at this time.

S

EE

60.

1615

(C) MACV Sr Advisor Hiep Duc: PF/RF's request grid

S M

EE

clearance for ambushes in the following area: from

AT 900240 S to AT 900228 SW to AT 890225 S to AT

890220 W to AT 870220, along Blue Line to AT 900240

Time Frame: 180400H-180600H Aug 69.

Cleared by
S3 Air to
Hiep Duc.

61.

1635

(U) FAC (Helix 14): Entered FCA on station.

S

EE

62.

1655

(C) CO D Co: At 1655 hours BT 005229, 3 VC/NVA were

S M Bde

EE

engaged at approximately 150 meters while checking

out the area; received AK-47, M-60, and M-79 fire

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by SPL Parks).

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62.	(Continued)		(C) resulting in 1 US KIA and 1 US WIA; airstrikes and artillery was called into the area.		
63.	1700		(U) CO B Co: Element moving.	S	EE
64.	1730		(U) CO C Co: Element moving.	S	EE
65.	1735		(U) SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) relieved SP4 Earl Eickelberger as RTO.		RJ
66.	1800		(U) CO D Co: Sniper fire was received (Refer to entry 62).	S M Bde	RJ
67.	1800		(U) Firebird 99: Entered FCA.	S	RJ
68.	1830		(U) Firebird 99: Departed FCA.	S	RJ
69.	1850		(U) CO D Co: Rattler 26, while resupplying company, received small arms fire resulting in both pilots WIA; aircraft was flown to LZ Center; medevac of the 2 pilots was completed at 1915 hours.	S Bde	RJ
70.	1850		(C) Firebird 99: 50 cal fire was received from a suspected location BT 005217; artillery and mortars fired into the area.	S M Bde	RJ
71.	1900		(U) CO D Co: Small arms fire was received resulting in 1 more US KIA and 1 US WIA (Refer to entry 62).	S M Bde	RJ
72.	1900		(C) FAC (Helix 14): Results of Air Strike at vic BT 005229 is BDA of 100/90.	S M	RJ
73.	1919		(U) CO C Co: CP + 2d and 3d plats location at NDP (Refer to entry 48).	S M	RJ
74.	1920		(U) CO D Co: Contact with the enemy has broken; element moving towards NDP (Refer to entry 48); med-evac will be made tomorrow (18 Aug 69) at first light to extract a total of 3 US WIA, 1 US KIA, and 1 US MIA (Refer to entry 62 and entry 71).	S M Bde	RJ
75.	1920		(U) CO B Co: Location at NDP (Refer to entry 48).	S M	RJ
76.	1925		(U) CO C Co: 3d plat is in position for night activities (Refer to entry 48).	S M	RJ
77.		2000	(C) S2 to Bde S2: Request a V/R mission be run in the following area: from AT 9930 W to AT 9130 S to AT 9128 E to AT 9928 N to AT 9930.	S M Bde	RJ
78.	2000		(U) CO C Co: Sqd/2d plat is in position for night	S M	RJ

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78.	(Continued)		(U) activities (Refer to entry 48).					
79.	2010		(C) CO E Co (1LT Brandon): Line Nine Report: 1-13, S Bde				RJ	
80.	2040		2-5, 3-8, 4-16, 5-22, 6-38, 7-32, 8-0, 9-6. (U) Shadow 45: Entered FCA on station.				S	RJ
81.	2130		(U) Shadow 45: Departed FCA off station.				S	RJ
82.	2245		(U) CO A Co: Bunker 17 had suspected movement to their front; engaged with M-79 fire; illumination was also fired with neg sightings.				S	RJ
83.	2320		(U) CO A Co: Bunker 17 had suspected movement to their front when they heard someone cutting wire; engaged with M-79 fire; also illumination was fired with neg surveillance.				S	RJ
84.	2400		(C) Summary: Co A continued to secure IZ West; conducted detail search operations in assigned areas resulting in finding 1 NVA body with 1 Chicom grenade, 4 other Chicom grenades, a blasting cap and wire for a claymore mine. Co B conducted search and destroy operations in assigned area; conducted night activities in assigned areas with neg results. Co C continued to secure IZ Siberia; continued day and night operations in assigned area with neg results. Co D continued day and night operations in assigned area resulting in 1 US KIA, 1 US MIA, and 3 US WIA (also 2 Rattler 26 pilots were WIA). Recon Plat continued day and night operations in assigned area resulting in 3 female VCS detained.					
85.	2400		(U) Journal closed by SP4 Rodger Johnson RTO.					RJ
86.	LATE ENTRY		(C) FAC (Helix 14): Results of Air Strikes are as follows: (1) At 1830 hours BT 005229, 12 500 lb bombs and 6 Napalms were expended, with BDA 100/80, resulting in 4 structures destroyed and 3 secondaries (2) At 1900 hours (Refer to entry 72) BT 005229, 6 500 lb bombs - 8 Napalms - 1200 rounds of 20mm fire were expended, with BDA 100/80, resulting in 4 structures destroyed and 5 probable KBA.					

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Mr. Jackson

2 Hours Over Maintenance

Tail Number 227

<u>OUT</u>	<u>IN</u>	<u>SORTIE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>MISSION</u>
0900	0920	2	0 Hr 20 Min	Packs from Recon Plat
1045	1215	4	1 Hr 10 Min	LTC to LZ Ross; SGM to LZ Baldy and Return
1310	1400	3	2 Hr 00 Min	LZ Karen, Co C
1425	1455	3	2 Hr 30 Min	Co B, LZ Siberia
1500	1530	3	3 Hr 00 Min	LZ Baldy
1530	1800	3	5 Hr 30 Min	Co D, LZ Baldy
TOTAL		18	5 Hr 30 Min	

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1.	0001		(U) Journal opened by SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) RTO.				RJ
2.	0625		(U) CO A Co (CPT Mantell): 1st plat moving.	S			RJ
3.	0705		(U) CO C Co (CPT Murphy): Night ambush closed NDP (Refer to entry 48).	S M			RJ
4.	0730		(U) CO B Co (CPT Gayler): Element moving at this time.	S			RJ
5.	0730		(U) CO C Co: All elements are moving.	S			RJ
6.	0731		(U) Forward Air Control (FAC): Entered FCA.	S			RJ
7.	0732		(U) Bde S2 to S2 (CPT Akiona): Weather Report: General area: fair to partly cloudy in the afternoon and evening, rain showers and thunder showers probable with fog in the valleys; 3 day outlook: L/C; low vis: 7 miles; low ceil: 2500 scattered; temp: H-94° L-76°; rel hum: 90% and 50%; den alt: 2800 and 1800; IAS: 29.82; winds: light and variable this morning and tonight, E 5-10 knots this afternoon; BMNT: 190542H; SR: 190631H; SS: 181907H; EENT: 181956H; MR: 191027H; MS: 192220H; illum: 21%.	S			RJ
8.	0735		(U) Blue Ghost 23: Entered FCA for Visual Recon.	S			RJ
9.	0750		(U) FAC (Helix 16): Departed FCA to the East.	S			RJ
10.	0755		(C) CO A Co: 1st plat location AT 999261.	S M			RJ
11.	0815		(C) Recon Plat (1LT Williams): At 0730 hours AT 978231, 2 adults and 4 babysons were picked up requesting to be relocated to Hiep Duc; they will be brought to LZ West for interrogation and be taken to Hiep Duc.	S Bde M			RJ
12.	0830		(C) Blue Ghost 23: Results of V/R are as follows: (1) At 0830 hours AT 967275, 2 freshly built bunkers were spotted; also spotted 1 middle aged male evading into a hut resulting in engagement of hut which was destroyed (2) AT 960275, spotted 1 grave 4-5 days old; also spotted 1 male with an AK-47 wearing black shorts who evaded from a hut shooting his weapon; this individual evaded into another hut, and both huts were engaged resulting in 2 huts destroyed; other results are unknown (3) AT 953278, used trails were spotted with rice baskets laying on them; also	S M Bde			RJ

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12.	(Continued)		(C) spotted several bunkers (4) AT 954275, it seemed like there was alot of activity in this area at one time with many people; there was neg activity in the hill.		
13.	0830		(C) CO A Co: 1st plat location AT 993257.	S M	RJ
14.	0830		(U) SP4 Michael Wilson (MW) relieved SP4 Rodger Johnson as RTO.		MW
15.	0830		(C) FAC (Helix 16): Entered FCA; results of Air Strike are as follows: At 0830 hours BT 003229, 8 500 lb bombs and 12 Napalms were expended with BDA 100/100.	S M	MW
16.	0900		(U) S5 LNO Hiep Duc (SFC Palcolba): Request med-evac for 1 Vietnamese (routine); location at Hiep Duc FUD.	S	MW
17.	0910		(C) CO B Co: Co approximate location at AT 905255.	S M	MW
18.	0915		(C) CO A Co: 1st plat (-) location AT 996257, sqd/ 1st plat location BT 000235.	S M	MW
19.	0915		(C) Command and Control (C & C) Helicopter: (1) At 0840 hours AT 895250, 10-20 rounds of AK small arms fire was received with neg hits; direction: North; speed: 60 knots; alt: 600 feet; TN: 413; fire was received when taking off from LZ (2) At 0905 hours BT 0322, 10-12 rounds of small arms fire was received with neg hits while taking off from LZ; direction: West; speed: 80 knots; alt: 1300 feet; TN: 413.	S M Bde	MW
20.		0920	(C) S3 (MAJ Lee) to Bde S3: Change in activities for Recon Plat for 18 Aug 69 is as follows: Recon Plat will find, fix, and destroy the enemy forces in grid squares AT 9527 and AT 9627.	S M Bde	MW
21.	0930		(U) FAC (Helix 11): Entered FCA.	S	MW
22.	0945		(U) Bde S3 to S3: At 201130H Aug 69, VIP Wilton C. Walston will arrive at LZ West; he may be accompanied by a General officer; he will be briefed by the S2, S3, and S5; he will be at LZ West for 25 minutes.	S	MW
23.	1000		(C) Bde S2 to S2: Intelligence Report: IBS reports that there is an unknown size enemy force at AT 952-207 at a radius of 1000 meters; also BT 023195 at a radius of 2000 meters; artillery is working up data.	S M	MW
24.	1000		(C) C & C Helicopter: At 1000 hours AT 905265, 10-15	S M	MW

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34.	(Continued)		(C) engaged at 400 meters wearing black PJ's with packs, but they evaded East successfully; 1st plat checked the area out with neg results; it is unknown if they had weapons.				
35.	1223		(U) SP4 Earl Eickelberger (EE) relieved SP4 Michael Wilson as RTO.		EE		
36.	1223		(C) Recon Plat: Location at AT 963264 and are in contact with the enemy.	S M	EE		
37.	1240		(U) Recon Plat: Request medevac for 4 US WIA's, 1 litter and 3 ambulatory; Medevac Control LZ Baldy reported that Med ship #614 is on its way.	S M	EE		
38.	1250		(U) Med Ship #614: Entered FCA along with Blue Ghost 23.	S	EE		
39.	1300		(U) CO A Co: 3d plat moving.	S	EE		
40.	1310		(U) Recon Plat: Medevac is complete (Refer to entry 37).	S	EE		
41.	1315		(C) CO B Co: At AT 937242, 1 NVA was engaged at 75 meters resulting in 1 NVA KIA and the capture of 1 AK-50 with 2 magazines containing 60 rounds; the NVA was clad in a green uniform.	S M Bde	EE		
42.	1345		(C) CO B Co: At AT 947278, small arms fire, mortar or RPG fire was received at Co's ODP (this location).	S M Bde	EE		
43.	1355		(U) FAC (Helix 15): Entered FCA relieving Helix 13 which entered the area at 1415 hours.	S	EE		
44.	1420		(U) CO D Co: Air Strike has started.	S	EE		
45.	1430		(C) CO A Co: 3d plat location AT 997232.	S M	EE		
46.	1445		(C) Bde S3 to S3: 3-21 Inf requests FCA extension in the following area: from BT 0223 to AT 9923 to AT 9918 to BT 0518 to BT 0522; reason is for tactical operations; Time Frame: 190600H-210600H Aug 69.	S M	EE		
47.	1507		(U) CO D Co: Air Strike is complete.	S	EE		
48.	1550		(C) S3 to Bde S3: Activities for 19 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A (-) will continue to secure LZ West; 1 plat will provide over watching security for Co D from Nui Trai BT 003246. Co B + 1st plat/Co C will conduct search and destroy operations in area	S M Bde	EE		

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48.	(Continued)		(C) (AT 896246, AT 883240, AT 883244, AT 890260, AT 905274, AT 930273, AT 930260, along CPZ to AT 896246). Co C (-) will continue to secure IZ Siberia. Co D will conduct search and destroy operations in area (AT 990250, BT 013250, BT 027240, BT 009214, along river to AT 990221, AT 990250). Recon Plat will conduct search and destroy operations in area (AT 950233, AT 950270, AT 970270, AT 970233, along river to AT 950233) (Recon's activities were later cancelled because of contact and will assist in the security of IZ West).				
49.	-	-	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Change in activities are as follows for 19 Aug 69: Co/2-1 Inf will move in zone (AT 989243, AT 996262, BT 027240, along stream to BT 021227, AT 989243, along assigned route: AT 993250, BT 003246, BT 006239); to search and destroy enemy forces at OBJ A BT 007237. Co D/4-31 will conduct search and destroy operations in zone (AT 989243, BT 021227, along stream to BT 008214, along river to AT 983227, AT 989243); OBJ B BT 000-232.	S Bde M	EE		
50.	1600		(C) Bde S2 to S2: Intelligence Report: URS reports that there is an unknown size enemy force at AT 969-226 at a radius of 1500 meters; artillery fired on grid.	S M	EE		
51.	1625		(U) CO Co/2-1 Inf: Element moving at this time.	S	EE		
52.		1625	(C) S2 to Bde S2: Readout of Co D's casualties from yesterday up until this time is as follows: 17 US WIA, 4 US KIA, 1 MIA, and 3 heat casualties (Readout will follow).	S M Bde	EE		
53.	1645		(C) Recon Plat: At 1200 hours AT 963264, small arms fire was received from 3 directions (N-S-W) resulting in 4 US WIA's; also had incoming Chicoms at 1250 hours; gunships were on station to help protect Medevac ship (Refer to entry 37) to extract the 4 WIA's; element started to pull back and resulted in 1 heat casualty; at 1400 hours, element broke contact; at 1600 hours, the heat casualty was extracted to IZ West; at 1645 hours, element closed IZ West.	S M Bde	EE		
54.	1750		(U) SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) relieved SP4 Earl Eickelberger as RTO.		RJ		
55.	1810		(U) CO D Co: Air Strike is complete (Readout will follow).	S	RJ		

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(U) FAC (Helix 14): Departed FCA to the East.

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(U) Bde S3 to S3: 2-7th Marines request clearance in the following grids: (1) AT 967345 (2) AT 966-346 (3) AT 968344; Time Frame: 181800H-190600H Aug 69.

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Cleared by S3 to Bde S3 (Received by SP4 Strohler).

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(C) CO B Co: Readout of contact throughout the day is as follows: (1) At 1335 hours AT 947278, received small arms and mortar or RPG fire at DDP; reported 6 WIA's (2) At 1430 hours, received mortar and small arms fire from the N-SW-E (3) At 1500 hours, Firebird received 50 cal fire while supporting Co B; there were neg hits (4) At 1700 hours, reported 6 KIA's and 16 WIA's (5) At 1730 hours, reported 8 US KIA's and 19 US WIA's; also reported 3 NVA KIA and 1 AK-47 captured (6) At 1800 hours, received 1 KIA and 1 WIA making the total now 9 US KIA and 20 US WIA (7) At 1830 hours, small arms and mortar fire was received (8) At 1835 hours, reported 1 Kit Carson WIA (9) At 1840 hours, reported that the Kit Carson died; Air Strike was started; received small arms fire from the East with unknown hits (10) At 1855 hours, medevac and gunships were requested (11) At 1915 hours, medevac and gunships were on station (12) At 1925 hours, the gunships took some small arms fire (13) At 1930 hours, gunships and medevac ship both received small arms fire; medevac ship departed location to DaNang because of receiving hits while going in for the casualties but could not make it; gunships broke station (14) At 1945 hours, a new medevac ship arrived on station (15) At 2025 hours, Firebirds were on station (16) At 2035 hours, medevac lift was complete extracting 8 US WIA; neg fire was taken (17) At 2015 hours, 3d plat/Co C entered Co B's perimeter (18) At 2105 hours, Spooky 13 arrived on station; Blue Ghost 23 on station; there was neg fire taken.

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(C) CO D Co: Readout of contact throughout the day is as follows: (1) At 1210 hours BT 004224, contact was made with an estimated company size enemy force and Co is dug in; received 2 US KIA and 5 US WIA; artillery and gunships fired into the area; Co D

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59.	(Continued)		(C) is pulling back to regroup and get the US WIA and US KIA (2) At 1535 hours, regrouped with a total of 18 US WIA, 4 US KIA, 1 MIA, and 3 heat casualties (this is from 1210 hours until 1535 hours) (3) At 1600 hours, still receiving sniper fire from the North (4) At 1615 hours, medevac tried to get in to extract the casualties but received sniper fire (5) At 1630 hours, medevac extracted 4 urgent US WIA. (6) At 1735 hours, all WIA's were extracted; 1 US KIA and 5 heat casualties were left in field (7) At 1800 hours, contact was broken temporarily (8) At 1925 hours, mortar fire was received (9) At 1930 hours, ground attack came from the N, E, S, and W; estimated enemy strength is company size; main attack came from the East; the enemy is using Machine gun, M-79, and AK fire; this resulted in 2 US KIA and 3 US WIA (10) At 1945 hours, Firebird 92 arrived on station (11) At 2005 hours, Shadow 45 arrived on station; Co receiving enemy mortar and M-79 fire; also confirmed 8 NVA KIA (Contact grid: BT 004224) (12) At 2115 hours, another Shadow aircraft came on station.		
60.	-	-	(C) S3: Night activities for 18 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will NDP LZ West and provide local security. Co B is presently having contact and will link up with Co C (-); NDP will be same as Co C (-) at AT 920273; Spooky will be on station all night to assist in security. Co C is presently having contact and will have Co B link up and will NDP AT 920273; Spooky will be on station all night to assist in security. Co D is presently having contact and will NDP BT 004224; Shadow aircraft will be on station all night to assist in security. Recon Platoon will NDP LZ West and provide local security. Co/2-Inf will NDP BT 006245.	S M	RJ
61.	2100		(U) Spooky 13: Entered FCA on station.	S	RJ
62.	2104		(U) Blue Ghost: Entered FCA on station.	S	RJ
63.	2200		(U) CO B Co: Co moving at this time to link up with Co C (-).	S	RJ
64.	2255		(U) LZ West at Yellow Alert Status.	S	RJ
65.	2400		(C) Summary: Co A continued to secure LZ West; conducted		
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(C) search and clear operations in assigned area with 1 plat with neg results. Co B conducted search and clear operations in assigned area to find a rice cache resulting in 9 US MIA, 20 US WIA, 1 Kit Carson KIA, 91 NVA KIA, and 2 weapons captured including 1 AK-47 and 1 AK-50. Co C continued to secure LZ Siberia with 1 plat; Co (-) conducted search and clear operations in assigned area with neg results. Co D continued to search and clear in assigned area resulting in 4 US KIA, 1 US MIA, 20 US WIA, 52 NVA KIA, and the loss of 3 PRC-25 radios, 3 accessory bags, 3 long whip antennas, 3 short whip antennas, 3 hand sets, 3 speakers, and 3 back packs. Recon Plat continued to search and clear in assigned area resulting in 4 US WIA and 5 NVA KIA; cancelled further operations and arrived at LZ West to assist in the security of this location.

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(U) Journal closed by SP4 Rodger Johnson RTO.

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(C) 1 company/2-1 Inf arrived in AO to assist in operations.

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0901	Co D FO	BT 000222	D T's	Mortars West	6 1/2
0906	105's Center	BT 019254	Movement	155's West	11
0910	Rattler 28	BT 001219	D T's	Mortars West	4 1/2
0915	Mr. Wilondek	BT 009224	D T's	"	7
0917	2 Hours Until Maintenance	BT 006217	D T's	"	4 1/2
0930	Tail Number 413	BT 019254	HL 8	155's West	2
0900	Co D FO	BT 001228	Sus En Location	105's Center	2 SMK 21 WP 9 HE

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0820	0910	4	0 Hr 50 Min	Medi-cap to LZ Karen, Packs to Co B, Ammunition to Co D
0945	1115	6	2 Hr 35 Min	LTC to LZ Karen, Packs to Co B
1130	1400	3	5 Hr 05 Min	LZ Baldy and Return
1400	1530	2	6 Hr 35 Min	Visual Recon
1700	1725	4	7 Hr 00 Min	Milk Run
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1.	0001		(U) Journal opened by SP4 Terald Graves (TG) RTO.		TG		
2.	LATE ENTRY	0001	(C) Bn S2 (CPT Akiona) to Bde S2: The total enemy KIA and equipment captured for 18 Aug 69 are as follows: Co B had a total of 91 NVA KIA, and 2 weapons captured consisting of 1 AK-47 (SN Unknown) and 1 AK-50 (SN Unknown) (Refer to Summary of 18 Aug 69); Co D had a total of 52 NVA KIA (Refer to Summary of 18 Aug 69); Recon Plat had a total of 5 NVA KIA (Refer to Summary of 18 Aug 69); the complete total is 148 NVA KIA and 2 weapons CIA.	S Bde S2 TG (Received by LT Hanson at 182000H Aug 69).			
3.		0055	(C) S3 (MAJ Lee) to Bde S2: Request Air Strikes in the following area: (1) Box: from AT 9129 E to AT 9729 S to AT 9728 W to AT 9528 S to AT 9527 W to AT 9327 N to AT 9328 W to AT 9128 N to AT 9129 (2) AT 938280 (3) AT 936273 (4) AT 934283 (5) AT 918289 (6) AT 964284; Time On Target: 190630H Aug 69. ---Also request Visual Recon in the following box: from AT 9327 E to AT 9527 N to AT 9528 E to AT 9728 S to AT 9724 W to AT 9324 N to AT 9327; Time On Target: 190630H Aug 69.	S M Bde TG S2 (Received by LT Hanson).			
4.	0030		(C) CO B Co (CPT Gayler): Element moving towards Co C (-) NDP AT 919273.	S M	TG		
5.	0140		(U) Shadow 47: Departed FCA.	S	TG		
6.	0140		(U) Shadow 45: Entered FCA in support of Co D.	S	TG		
7.	0200		(U) IZ West at Green Alert Status.	S	TG		
8.	0200		(U) Spooky 13: Broke station and departed FCA.	S	TG		
9.	0205		(C) CO B Co: At 0205 hours AT 920273, explosions were heard behind them and what sounded like an attack on their old day laager location at AT 938278.	S M	TG		
10.	0245		(C) Bde S2 to S3: Infra-Red Grids: (1) AT 838220; fired 4 rounds HE from 105's on IZ Siberia (2) AT 906237; neg fire because of proximity of friendlies; 3 emissions (3) AT 941132; fired 4 rounds HE from 105's IZ Siberia (4) AT 942131; 2 emissions; fired 4 rounds HE from 105's on IZ Siberia (5) AT 944128; 5 emissions; fired 4 rounds HE from 105's on IZ Siberia (6) AT 910236; neg fire; in Hiep Duc CFZ; Time on Target: 182215H Aug 69.	S M	TG		

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11.	0305		(U) Spooky 11: Entered FCA on station to support Co's B and C.	S	TG		
12.	0305		(C) CO B Co: All elements have closed Co C (-) location at NDP AT 920273.	S M	TG		
13.	0430		(U) Spooky 11: Departed FCA.	S	TG		
14.	0430		(U) Shadow 45: Departed FCA.	S	TG		
15.	0445		(U) Artillery LNO to S3: Artillery started firing defensive targets for Co's B and C and D.	S	TG		
16.	0635		(U) CO C Co/2-1 Inf: 3d plat moving.	S	TG		
17.		0650	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Activities for 19 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will continue to secure LZ West; conduct search and destroy operations in area (AT 963260, AT 990260, AT 990240, AT 965240, AT 963260). Co B will conduct airlift from Hiep Duc at a time TBA; defend LZ Siberia with plat sweeps during the day and provide local security on LZ Siberia at night. Co C will conduct Co (-) attack in zone (AT 920273, AT 923267, AT 944272, AT 945275, along stream to AT 920273) from generally West to East to PL Blue AT 942287 and AT 945269 upon completion of attack to PL Blue, move back to area of night defensive activities; 1 plat/Co C upon release from defense of LZ Siberia, will conduct airlift to Hiep Duc AT 914239 (LZ Karen) and proceed to attack and secure OBJ X, Hill 118, AT 920259, and link up with parent unit upon return of Co C (-) to NDP. Co D will remain in DDP, AT 999227, and provide supporting fires for Co C/2-1 Inf and insertion of 3-21 Inf. Co C/2-1 Inf will continue attack to secure OBJ A, BT 007237, and to secure OBJ B, BT 002231. Recon Plat will assist in defense of LZ West. Co B/1-46 will become OPCON to 4-31 Inf effective upon airlift to LZ Karen AT 914239; attack in zone (AT 920273, AT 918280, AT 930283, AT 943284, AT 945276, along stream to AT 920273, from generally West to East to PL Blue at AT 942287, AT 945269); coordinating instructions: airlift of Co/1-46 Inf will be on Air/Ground net, frequency 45.85, call sign Fued 19A, and LZ is secure upon completion of airlift; move to link up with Co C (-) to coordinate attack.	S M Bde	TG		
18.	0700		(U) SP4 Michael Wilson (MW) relieved SP4 Terard Graves				

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S2/S3		LZ WEST	HOUR	DATE	HOUR	DATE		
4th Bn, 31st Inf		AT 990251	0001	19 Aug 69	2400	19 Aug 69		
196th Inf Bde								
ITEM NO	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS ETC				ACTION	IN
	IN	OUT						
19.	0710		(U) CO D Co (CPT Whittecar): Having initial con-				S	MW
20.	0715		(C) CO B Co: At 0700 hours AT 929275, Co B and Co				S M Bde	MW
			C received small arms fire; artillery fired from				S2 (Received	
			LZ Siberia, and the small arms fire ceased.				by MSG Kalan).	
21.	0720		(C) CO D Co: At 0715 hours, Defensive Targets				S M Bde	MW
			were fired on BT 00382196 for Co D (location of				S2 (Received	
			element is at BT 004224) who were receiving small				by MSG Kalan).	
			arms fire and automatic weapons fire from the E and					
			NE; 4.2 and 81MM mortars fired from LZ West, and					
			105's from LZ Siberia and Center fired; Blue Ghost					
			was also requested; CO reported that the area was					
			well covered; the mission was ended.					
22.	0720		(C) Artillery LNO to S2: At 1655 hours on 17 Aug				S M Bde	MW
			69, the FO of Co D was killed at BT 005229, and the				S2 (Received	
			body was not recovered; S2 was notified at 0600H				by MSG Kalan).	
			this day that the body of the FO was not recovered					
			and that the SOI is or was with him.					
23.	0730		(U) CO C Co/2-1 Inf: Remainder of element is mov-				S	MW
			ing.					
24.	0835		(U) CO B Co/1-46 Inf: Airlift is underway to LZ				S	MW
			Karen (Refer to entry 17).					
25.	0900		(C) CO C Co/2-1 Inf: Location at BT 002228.				S M	MW
26.	1000		(U) CO B Co: At 0910 hours, medevac was called to				S Bde	MW
			pick up 8 US WIA; they were wounded in yesterday's				S2 (Received	
			action; at 0950 hours, the medevac was complete, and				by SPL Boguard	
			the aircraft took neg fire upon completion.					
27.	1035		(U) CO B Co/1-46 Inf: Airlift is complete (Refer				S M	MW
			to entry 17).					
28.	1055		(U) CO B Co/1-46 Inf: Moving from LZ Karen.				S	MW
29.	1100		(U) CO B Co/2-1 Inf: First lift arrived at LZ West				S M	MW
30.	1205		(C) Forward Air Control (FAC) Helix 16: At 1140				S M Bde	MW
			hours AT 932279, 12 500 lb High Drags and 6 Napalms				S2 (Received	
			were expended, resulting in 2 structures destroyed				by SPL IT Han-	
			and 1 X 50 cal position destroyed.				son).	
31.	1205		(C) Bde S2 to S2: Intelligence Report: URS reports				S M	MW
			that there are unknown size enemy forces at (1) AT					
			969192 at a radius of 1200 meters (2) AT 956284 at					
			a radius of 1200 meters.					
32.	1205		(U) CO B Co/2-1 Inf: Airlift is complete (Refer to				entry S	MW
							29).	

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33.	1220		(U) CO D Co: Co C/2-1 Inf closed with Co D/4-31 Inf.	S M	MW
34.	1225		(U) SP4 Earl Eickelberger (EE) relieved SP4 Michael Wilson as RTO.		EE
35.	1226		(U) FAC (Helix 14): Departed FCA.	S	EE
36.	1230		(C) Bde S2 to S2: Intelligence Report: URS reports that there are unknown size enemy forces at the following locations: (1) AT 938121 at a radius of 1400 meters (2) AT 980152 at a radius of 700 meters.	S M	EE
37.	1320		(U) CO D Co: Request medevac for 3 US WIA with wounds on knee, shoulder, and side; medevac ship #610 ETA is approximately 30 minutes because of another urgent mission.	S	EE
38.	1410		(C) Black Ace: At 1355 hours AT 935279, 40 VC/NVA were spotted in an open area where Co B made contact yesterday; 155's from LZ West fired on grid while Black Ace adjusted resulting in area well covered; enemy KIA's are unknown.	S M Bde	EE S2 (Received by LT Hansen).
39.	1530		(C) Bde S2 to S2: Intelligence Report: URS reports that there is an unknown size enemy force at AT 955136 at a radius of 2700 meters.	S M	EE
40.	1535		(C) Rattler 27: At 1535 hours AT 983239, 1 RPG round was received with neg hits; TN: 875; speed: 60 knots; alt: 150 feet.	S M Bde	EE (Received by SP4 Parks).
41.	1600		(C) CO C Co/2-1 Inf: At 1535 hours BT 006225, 3 VC/NVA were engaged with packs and weapons; distance of engagement was approximately 100 meters with results unknown at this time.	S M Bde	EE (Received by SP4 Parks).
42.	1600		(C) Blue Ghost 23: At 0815 hours BT 015225, 1 50 cal machinegun position was destroyed and killed 5 NVA.	S M Bde	EE S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).
43.	1630		(C) Blue Ghost 28: At 1300 hours AT 935279, an unknown amount of 50 cal fire was received resulting in the aircraft taking an unknown amount of rounds; departed station.	S M Bde	EE S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).
44.	1645		(C) Command and Control (C & C) Helicopter: At 1635 hours BT 004224, 2 rounds of 50 cal fire was received and both hit through the door; there were neg casualties.	S M Bde	EE S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).

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196th Inf Bde								
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44.	(Continued)		(C) TN: 497.					
45.	1730		(U) SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) relieved SP4 Earl Eickelberger as RTO.					RJ
46.	1755		(C) CO C Co/2-1 Inf: At BT 004223 (1725 hours), 1 US type M-26 grenade was found rigged as a booby-trap which was destroyed in place.				S M Bde RJ	S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).
47.		1755	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Night activities for 19 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will assume OPCON of Recon Plat and defend IZ West and provide local security. Co B will NDP IZ Siberia and provide local security. Co C will conduct night activities with a minimum of 5 sqd ambushes. Co D will NDP BT 004225. Co/1-46 will conduct night activities with a minimum of 3 sqd ambushes.				S M Bde RJ	S3.
48.	1815		(U) Rattler 27 (Resupply aircraft): 1 round was received and hit the rotor blade; the pilot does not know when or where he took the round.				S Bde RJ	S2.
49.	1835		(C) Rattler 27: 4-5 VC/NVA were spotted at AT 996-224 around a white hut; mortars will fire on grid.				S M Bde RJ	S2.
50.	1845		(U) CO C Co: Co moving at this time.				S	RJ
51.	1920		(C) Bde S2 to S2: Intelligence Report: URS reports that there is a Regimental HQ at BT 018204 (neg radius given); artillery fired from IZ West (155's) and IZ Siberia (105's).				S M	RJ
52.	1930		(C) CO E Co (1LT Brandon): Line Nine Report: 1-9, 2-9, 3-0, 4-0, 5-178, 6-178, 7-175, 8-0, 9-3.				S Bde RJ	
53.		2015	(C) S2 to Bde S2: Request Air Strikes in the following areas: (1) Box: from AT 9129 E to AT 9729 S to AT 9728 W to AT 9528 S to AT 9527 W to AT 9327 N to AT 9328 W to AT 9128 N to AT 9129 (2) AT 938-280 (3) AT 936273 (4) AT 934283 (5) AT 918289 (6) AT 964284; Time on Target: 200630H Aug 69---- Also request Visual Recon in the following box: from AT 9327 E to AT 9527 N to AT 9528 E to AT 9728 S to AT 9724 W to AT 9324 N to AT 9327; Time on Target: 200630H Aug 69.				S M Bde RJ	S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).
54.	2030		(C) Bde S3 to S3: Request AO extension from BT 015-290 to AT 898290.				S M Bde RJ	S3 (Cleared by CPT Wine-man).
55.		2030	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Activities for 20 Aug 69 are as				S M Bde RJ	S3.

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55.	(Continued)		(C) follows: Co A will secure LZ West and conduct local patrols. Co B will secure LZ Siberia. Co C and Co B/1-46 Inf will advance. Co D and Co G/2-1 Inf, depending on situation with sister unit, will conduct patrols. Recon Plat will secure LZ West and conduct local patrols.				
56.	2030		(U) Spooky 11: Entered FCA on station.	S	RJ		
57.	2045		(C) CO E Co: B C Scope spotted moving lights in grids AT 9527 and AT 9627; lights were moving to the NE; Quad 50 will fire on suspected enemy location; also 4.2 mortars will fire into the same area.	S M Bde RJ	S2 (Received by SP4 Parks). (4.2 mortars fired resulting in lights out)		
58.	2140		(C) Spooky 11: At 2125 hours BT 018204, small arms fire was received and engaged area with mini-guns with unknown results (this same area is where URS reported an enemy Regimental HQS for the NVA).	S M Bde RJ	S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).		
59.	2200		(U) Spooky 11: Departed FCA.	S	RJ		
60.	2201		(U) Shadow 45: Entered FCA on station.	S	RJ		
61.	2220		(C) 3-21 Inf to S3: Activities for 20 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A at 0600 hours, will depart NDP moving West to BT 021217, staying North of trail running E-W. Co B will depart NDP moving West to BT 015215, staying South of trail running E-W; pre-planned Air Strikes for 20 Aug 69 are: (1) BT 015-204 (0900H) (2) BT 017225 (0930H).	S M	RJ		
62.	2240		(C) CO D Co: At 2240 hours at NDP BT 004225, movement was heard on all sides of the perimeter.	S M Bde RJ	S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).		
63.	2255		(U) CO D Co: At 2255 hours, received incoming automatic weapons fire and RPG rounds resulting in 1 US KIA and 14 US WIA.	S M Bde RJ	S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).		
64.	2305		(U) CO D Co: Medevac was requested for US casualties (Refer to entry 63).	S M Bde RJ	S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).		
65.	2310		(U) CO D Co: Shadow 11 is on station supporting by fire; received incoming small arms fire from the E, W, and S.	S M Bde RJ	S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).		

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(U) GO D Co: Shadow 11 is breaking station; at 0005	S Bde	RJ
hours, Shadow 17 reported on station; at 0010 hours, S2 (Received		
medevac reported on station; at 0040 hours, medevac by SP4 Parks).		
departed to refuel; at 0140 hours, medevac was com-		
plete extracting 10 US WIA.		

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2400

(C) Summary: Co A continued to secure LZ West; conducted search and destroy operations in assigned area with neg results. Co B conducted airlift from Hiep Duc; defended LZ Siberia with plat sweeps during the day and local security on LZ Siberia at night; there were neg results. Co C conducted attack in assigned zone with 1 plat attacking another objective with neg results. Co D remained at DDP and provided supporting fires for Co C/2-1 Inf and insertion of 3-21 Inf resulting in 14 US WIA and 1 US KIA (casualties combined with Co C/2-1 Inf) from a direct hit on their CP by an RPG. Recon Plat assisted in the security of LZ West. Co C/2-1 Inf conducted an attack resulting in finding 1 booby-trap made from a US M-26 grenade which was destroyed in place; also NDP'd with Co D resulting in a combined 14 WIA and 1 KIA with Co D.

68.

21.00

(U) Journal closed by SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) RTO.

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FIELD MISSIONS

19 C/C TIME

19 August 69

TIME	REPORTED OR CALLED	GRID	TYPE OF TGT	SHOT IN	ROUNDS
0035	Co C FO	AT 910276	Sus En Location	105's Siberia	2 WP 4 HS
0125	Mission (CPT White)	AT 938220 AT 941132 AT 942131 AT 944128	Infra-Red	105's Siberia	16
0310	Co C FO	AT 938276	Marking for Spooky	"	1 WP
0445	"	AT 938276 AT 938283 AT 940278 AT 932278	Story 1 X3 Sus En Location	"	4 2 2 2

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Mr. Cassano

10 Hours Until Maintenance

Tail Number 528

<u>OUT</u>	<u>IN</u>	<u>SORTIE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>MISSION</u>
1345	1500	8	1 Hr 15 Min	Shuttle packs from LZ Karen to LZ Siberia
RATTLER 69 RELIEVED RATTLER 25 AS C & C (Mr. Jackson)				
1400	1500	2	1 Hr 00 Min	Co D
1530	1600	1	1 Hr 30 Min	Co C and Co B
1600	1700	2	2 Hr 30 Min	LZ Baldy and Return
1700	1730	3	3 Hr 00 Min	Resupply to LZ Siberia
TOTAL		8	3 Hr 00 Min	

0704	Co D FO	AT 922275	Small arms fire	105's Siberia	2 HS
0726	Co D FO	HF 004219	Contact	"	1 HS
0726	"	HF 004219	"	Mortars West	-
0726	"	HF 004219	"	105's Center	62 HS
0744	"	HF 004228	"	"	-
0805	Co B FO	AT 938276 AT 945275	VO/WA	105's Siberia	22 HS 22 HS
0845	CP Tiger	AT 961368	100 WA	PF 59	36 HS
0915	Co D FO	HF 004219	Contact	105's Center	-

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AT 990251

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0001	20 Aug 69	2400	20 Aug 69

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1.	0001		(U) Journal opened by SP4 Terald Graves (TG) RTO.		TG
2.	0010		(U) Shadow 47: Entered FCA on station (Refer to entry 66 on 19 Aug 69).	S	TG
3.	0140		(U) Med Ship #610: Medevac is complete for 10 US WIA (Refer to entry 66 on 19 Aug 69).	S	TG
4.	0200		(U) Shadow 47: Departed FCA.	S	TG
5.	0200		(U) Spooky 12: Entered FCA on station.	S	TG
6.	0325		(U) CO D Co (CPT Whittecar): Contact was made with the enemy; contact was broken at 0340 hours.	S	TG
7.	0445		(U) Spooky 12: Departed FCA.	S	TG
8.	0620		(C) Bde S3 to S3 (MAJ Lee): The following Air Strikes have been approved: (1) AT 938280; Time on Target: 1000 hours (2) AT 936273; Time on Target: 11400 hours; there will no problem getting immediates and diverts today if the need arises. (Refer to entry 53 on 19 Aug 69)	S M	TG
9.	0650		(U) CO C Co: Co is moving at this time.	S	TG
10.	0655		(U) CO B Co/1-46 Inf: Departing NDP and moving East.	S	TG
11.	0700		(U) SP4 Michael Wilson (MW) relieved SP4 Terald Graves as RTO.		MW
12.	0815		(C) CO C Co: 1st plat and CP location AT 925276; 3d plat location AT 923273.	S M	MW
13.	0930		(U) Bde S2 to S2 (CPT Akiona): Weather Report: General area: fair to partly cloudy with fog in the valley until mid-morning, and rain showers in the afternoon and night; 3 day outlook: partly to mostly cloudy; low vis: 7 miles; low ceil: 2000 scattered; temp: H-94° L-76°; rel hum: 90% and 50%; den alt: 2700 - 1700; IAS: 29.80; winds: light and variable NE 5-15 knots, gust to 20 knots; BMNT: 210543H; SR: 210631H; SS: 201906H; EENT: 201954H; MR: 211218H; BS: 212348H; Illum: 41%.	S	MW
14.	0950		(U) Bde S1 to 4-31 CO (LTC Henry): LTC Henry is to give a 10 minute presentation briefing on the defense of LZ West, in particular the 11-12 Aug 69. Briefing to be given on 23 Aug 69 at 1000 hours; location at Division Briefing room.	S	MW
15.	1055		(C) Bde Artillery to S3: Request clearance for Sky	S M	MW

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LZ WEST
AT 990251

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15.	(Continued)		(C) Spots in the following 2 areas: (1) ZB 118974 (2) ZB 153993; Time Frame: 201800H-210600H Aug 69 -----Also request clearance for Air Strikes in the following 3 areas: (1) AT 923107 (2) AT 998181 (3) AT 917100; Time Frame: 210600H-211900H Aug 69	Cleared by S3 to Bde Arty.	
16.	1107		(U) CO A Co (CPT Mantell): 3d plat closed LZ West	S M	MW
17.	1110		(U) SP4 Earl Eickelberger (EE) relieved SP4 Michael Wilson as RTO.		EE
18.	1145		(C) CO D Co (CPT Winoman ^{WHITTECAR}) (1) At 2000 hours on 18 Aug 69 (BT 004225) during enemy ground attack on Co D's position, the CO confirmed 35 NVA KIA (Refer to entry 59 on 18 Aug 69) (2) At 2240 hours on 19 Aug 69 to 2330 hours (BT 004225), engaged and killed 10 NVA at 50-75 meters; the KIA was confirmed by the CO in the morning (Refer to entry 62, 63, 64, and 65 on 19 Aug 69). (3) At 0815 hours on 19 Aug 69 (BT 015225), CO reported that in addition to the 1 50 cal machinegun position destroyed and 5 NVA KIA, 10 other NVA were killed and 1 more 50 cal machinegun position destroyed (Refer to entry 42 on 19 Aug 69).	S M Bde EE S2 (Received by SP4 Bo-guard).	
19.	1145		(U) Blue Ghost: Entered FCA on station working for Co C.	S	EE
20.	1340		(U) CO B Co (CPT Gayler): Co while bringing in claymore mines at LZ Siberia, found 2 mines turned around toward the bunkers.	S M Bde EE S2 (Received by SP4 Bo-guard).	
21.	1340		(U) Forward Air Control (FAC) Helix 16: Entered FCA on station.	S	EE
22.	1453		(C) CO B Co: On 18 Aug 69 at AT 937252, the following weapons were captured: (1) 1 AK-47 (SN 1008-1126) (2) 1 AK-50 (SN 9063BY1053); these weapons will be turned in to Bn S-4; the weapons were received at 1430 hours 20 Aug 69.	S M Bde EE S2 (Received by SP4 Bo-guard).	
23.		1530	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Activities for 21 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will continue to secure LZ West and conduct local patrols. Co B secure LZ Siberia. Co C will conduct patrols along with Co B/1-46 Inf and Co B/2-1 Inf. Co D and Co C/2-1 will conduct patrols. Recon Plat will conduct patrols.	S M Bde EE S3.	
24.		1530	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Night activities for 20 Aug 69	S M Bde EE	

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196th Inf Bde							
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24.	(Continued)		(C) are as follows: Co A will NDP LZ West and provide local security. Co B will NDP LZ Siberia and provide local security. Co C will NDP AT 919259 along with Co B/1-46 Inf and Co B/2-1 Inf. Co D will NDP BT 004225 along with Co C/2-1 Inf. Recon Plat will NDP AT 972230.				
25.	1900		(U) SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) relieved SP4 Earl Eickelberger as RTO.		RJ		
26.	1900		(C) CO C Co: Readout on contact with the enemy is as follows: At 1020 hours, 1st plat received small arms fire resulting in 4 US WIA at AT 938270; 1130 hours, Blue Ghost 23 entered FCA on station; 1150 hours, 1st plat received small arms fire from the S, E, and W; 1155 hours, Blue Ghost 23 received small arms fire with unknown hits while making passes for Co C; 1220 hours, Blue Ghost 23 broke station; 1230 hours, 2 US WIA got back to the CP group; 1240 hours, Blue Ghost 26 entered FCA on station; 1250 hours, Blue Ghost 26 received small arms fire while making passes for Co C; 1345 hours, 1st plat closed CP group while another 2 US WIA died; 1420 hours, received Chicom grenades and small arms fire; 1420 hours, Firebird 92 entered FCA on station; 1430 hours, Firebird 92 broke station; 1445 hours, received small arms fire and Chicom fire; 1455 hours, Blue Ghost 23 received small arms fire; 1510 hours, Co CO (CPT Murphy) and 5 other US personnel are WIA and the NVA are all around the perimeter moving in; 1515 hours, Blue Ghost 23 shot close to Co C resulting in 1 US WIA with a bullet wound; 1520 hours, the NVA stopped fire and are still 30-40 meters from Co C CP; 1525 hours, Blue Ghost 23 received small arms fire from the North; 1540 hours, Blue Ghost 23 broke station; 1540 hours, Blue Ghost 26 entered FCA on station; 1545 hours, received mortar fire from the SW; 1610 hours, Blue Ghost 26 received small arms fire; 1615 hours, Blue Ghost 26 spotted and fired on mortar location with unknown results; 1620 hours, Co B/1-46 Inf picked up 10 US KIA from Co B/1-31; 1620 hours, received machinegun fire; 1620 hours, medevac is on station for Co C; 1650 hours, 2d plat received mortar fire; 1650 hours, 2d plat received 1 US WIA from mortar fire; 1715 hours, Blue Ghost 26 departed station; 1720 hours, Firebird 92 and Blue Ghost 26 on station; 1723 hours, Blue Ghost 26 wing	S M Bde RJ	S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).		

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26.	(Continued)		(C) man received a hit by a 51 cal round that exploded in the aircraft; 1730 hours, Blue Ghost 26 wing man broke station; Blue Ghost 26 is still on station; 1740 hours, 2d plat received mortar fire; 1745 hours, Blue Ghost White entered FCA on station; 1745 hours, Blue Ghost 26 broke station; 1800 hours, CP and rest of element are not receiving fire; 1835 hours, 3d plat linked up with Co CP; 1845 hours, received 30 cal machinegun fire; 1850 hours, Blue Ghost 23 entered FCA on station; 1900 hours, there is neg contact at this time.		
27.	1935		(C) CO D Co: At BT 004229, 2 US MIA were recovered (Names: Seals and Hurst); at 1800 hours, 3 more US MIA were recovered (Names: Gooding, Spillner, and Magetesta); at 1900 hours, the extraction of all KIA from Co D's location was complete; 9 total to Graves Registration LZ Baldy.	S M Bde RJ S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).	
28.	2010		(C) CO B Co/2-1 Inf: At 1630 hours AT 932268, an incoming mortar round was received resulting in 1 US KIA and 4 US WIA; element will join forces with Co C/4-31 Inf; the personnel wounded and killed are from Co C/4-31 Inf attached to Co B/2-1 Inf.	S M Bde RJ S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).	
29.	2030		(U) Spooky 11: Entered FCA on station.	S	RJ
30.	2130		(C) Bde S3 to S3: New AO Boundaries: 2-7 Marines and Americal Division - BT 040307, along Quan Que Son and Quan Thang Binh; Que Son CFZ following BT 040307 to BT 000273 (Frag Order will follow).	S M	RJ
31.	2130		(C) CO C Co: At 2115 hours AT 919259, Rattler 28, a resupply ship, extracted 1 US KIA and 2 US WIA to the 23d Medical Bn at LZ Baldy.	S M Bde RJ S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).	
32.	2330		(U) CO C Co/2-1 Inf: Element is moving down to assist with the KIA and WIA.	S	RJ
33.	2355		(C) CO B Co/2-1 Inf: (1) At AT 919259, medevac ship #610 entered FCA on station to extract casualties (2) At 2350 hours, medevac was completed taking 7 US WIA (3) At 0125 hours, medevac extracted 7 more US WIA from the same location as above (these WIA are from Co C/4-31 Inf); total casualties for Co C/4-31 on 20 Aug 69 are 4 KIA, 2 MIA, and 21 WIA (1 KIA and 16 WIA were extracted); Co B/1-46 received 1 US WIA who was evacuated.	S M Bde RJ S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).	
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(C) Summary: Co A continued to secure LZ West and conducted local patrols with neg results. Co B secured LZ Siberia with neg results. Co C conducted local patrols along with Co B/1-46 Inf resulting in 4 US KIA, 2 US MIA, and 21 US WIA in which 1 US KIA and 16 US WIA were extracted (enemy casualties are unknown for today's activities). Co D and Co C/2-1 Inf conducted local patrols; it was reported that there were an additional 55 NVA KIA since 2000 hours 18 Aug 69; also an additional 50 cal position was found and destroyed. Recon Plat conducted local patrols and secured LZ West with neg results.

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(U) Journal closed by SP4 Rodger Johnson RTO.

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TIME	REPORTED OR OAT/AD	GRIND	NATURE OF TOT	SHOT BY	ROUNDS
0005	Mortars West (112 Brandon)	111	Illumination AC 1	105's Center	-
0130	4-31 CO Rattler 28	AT 97624	Sus En Location	Mortars West	1 TL
0215	Mr. Wilondek	BT 00125	Sus Movement	"	2 TL
0223	25 Hours Until Maintenance	AT 907231	"	Mortars Siberia	1 TL
0242	Tail Number 522	AC 1	Sus En Location	105's Siberia	20 HE
0252	"	AC 5	"	"	20 HE
0310	<u>OUT</u> <u>IN</u>	<u>SORTIE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>MISSION</u>	
0825	0840	2	0 Hr 30 Min	Packs to Co D	6 HE
0900	1030	6	2 Hr 00 Min	Extractions from Co D	58 HE
1045	1145	3	3 Hr 00 Min	R/S	85
1230	1300	2	3 Hr 30 Min	R/S	2 TL
1330	1430	3	4 Hr 30 Min	R/S	1 TL
1500	1530	2	5 Hr 00 Min	Refuel, LZ Baldy and Return	1 34 HE
1600	2005	6	9 Hr 15 Min	R/S	AC 5 32 HE
0500	"	24	9 Hr 15 Min	"	105's XEE Center 36 HE (AC 2) 50 HE (AC 3)
0505	PP 59	BT 018201	MIA Reg	PP 59	15 HE
0510	4-31 CO	BT 016237	Sus En Location	Mortars West	4 HE
0520	4-21 Inf	BT 018209	Prep	PP 59	2 WT 3 HE
0520	"	BT 02020	"	"	1 WT 7 HE

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1.	0001		(U) Journal opened by SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) RTO.		RJ			
2.	0010		(U) Spooky 11: Departing FCA to the East.	S	RJ			
3.	0013		(U) Shadow 45: On Station.	S	RJ			
4.	0030		(U) SP4 Terald Graves (TG) relieved SP4 Rodger Johnson as RTO.		TG			
5.	0130		(U) Dustoff 610: Medevac complete. Refer daily journal file 20 Aug 69, Entry 33.	S M Bde	TG			
6.	0200		(U) Shadow 45: Off Station and departing FCA.	S	TG			
7.	0200		(U) Shadow 47: On Station; entering FCA.	S	TG			
8.	0355		(U) Shadow 47: Off Station and departing FCA.	S	TG			
9.	0505		(C) CO Co B/1-46 and CO Co C/4-31: Location AT 920270 which is Night Defensive Position (NDP).	S M	TG			
10.	0510		(C) CO Co D (CPT Wineman): At BT 004225, trip flare went off and had movement; engaged with M26, small arms, and mortar DT's with unknown results.	S M Bde	TG			
11.	0625		(C) CO Co D: Continuation of Entry 10 is as follows: At 0625, NVA fired RPG's short of perimeter. At 0630, Co C/2-1 had 1 NVA KIA dressed in black pants, captured 1 AK47 and 1 magazine; he was engaged at 20 meters to the SE. At 0650, Co D broke contact. At 0655, Co C/2-1 reported 2 NVA KIA's and 1 AK47, 2 full magazines, and 6 Chicom's. At 0700, Blue Ghost White on station. At 0715, Blue Ghost White received small arms fire. At 0730, Co D and Blue Ghost receiving small arms fire. At 0755, Blue Ghost broke station. At 0800, Co D broke contact. At 0810, Blue Ghost 26 on station.	S2 Received by SP4 Linton. S M Bde S2 Received by SP4 Linton.				
12.	0650		(U) Forward Air Control (FAC): Helix 17 on station and entering FCA.	S	TG			
13.	0700		(U) Blue Ghost White: On Station.	S	TG			
14.	0800		(U) Blue Ghost White: Departing FCA.	S	TG			
15.	0815		(U) Blue Ghost 26: Entering FCA.	S	TG			
16.	0830		(C) Bde S3: AO Extension 100: 1st Marine Division	S M	TG			

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16.	(Continued)		(C) requests AO extension as follows: From AT 903276 south to AT 893245 along the river to AT 815262. Time Frame ASAP to 202400H September 69. Purpose: Combat Operations.	Neg clearance given by S3 Air (CPT) Whittecar); reply received by SP4 Trogdon.	
17.	0845		(C) CO Co B/2-1: Moving to link up with Co C (-).	S	TG
18.	0846		(U) EAC (Helix 17): Departing FCA.	S	TG
19.	0900		(U) SP4 Michael Wilson relieved SP4 Terald Graves as RTO. Initials MW.		MW
20.	0950		(U) CO D Co: Moving.	S	MW
21.	1000		(C) CO B Co/2-1: Have linked with elements of Co C/4-31.	S	MW
22.	1005		(C) Bde Arty: Request clearance for airstrike as follows: (1) AT 923107, (2) AT 917100, (3) Box: AT 9413 to AT 9409 to BT 0209, to BT 0213. Time Frame: 220600H to 221800H Aug 69.	S M	MW
23.		1220	(C) S3 Air to Bde Avn: Request airstrikes be processed into the following areas ASAP with Napalms, CBU's, Rockets, 500lb bombs, 1,000lb bombs fixed with delayed fuses. AT 985267, AT 975295, AT 972287, AT 962297, AT 962288, AT 953293, AT 939294, AT 939283, AT 924287, AT 922297, AT 903277, AT 896269, AT 887267, AT 878268, AT 875248, AT 871241, and AT 859238.	S M	MW
24.	1220		(U) SP4 Earl Eickelberger (EE) relieved SP4 Michael Wilson as RTO.		EE
25.	1240		(C) CO Co C/2-1 and Co D/4-31: At 0832, BT 008-222, Co C/2-1 spotted NVA Automatic weapons position. Blue Ghost worked over area with neg results. At 0845, Blue Ghost 26 receiving automatic weapons fire from the NE of Co C/2-1 Location. Blue Ghost 26 broke station at 0855. At 0905, IZ West report possible 3 incoming rockets in front of bunker 15. At 0925, Blue Ghost White received 50 Cal and 30 Cal fire. At 0950, Blue Ghost White still receiving fire. At 1005, Blue Ghost White broke station.	S M	EE
26.	1245		BC Scope: At AT 984267, sighted 4-5 NVA/VC with negative packs or weapons	S M Bde	
			fired with one secondary explosion.	S2 81mm	

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27.	1245		(C) CO A Co (CPT Mantell): At 0900, LZ WEST received a possible 3 incoming rockets in front of bunker 15. At 1055, LZ West received 2 incoming rockets that landed 50 meters in front of bunker 27. Negative damage was done.	S M	EE		
				Bde S2			
28.	1320		(C) S3 Bde: 1st Marine Division request extension of their present extension adding grids AT 9628, AT 9622, AT 9626, for time frame 212000H to 232400H Aug 1969.	S M	EE		
				Cleared by S3 Air.			
29.	1335		(C) CO C Co: At 1245, 21 Aug 69, read out sent to Bn S2 in regards to NVA KIA during contact from 1020 hours 20 Aug 69 to 1900 hours 20 Aug 69. LTC Henry on location in the morning of 21 Aug 69 with CO Co C and confirm 103 NVA KIA. The following distribution is made: Co C - 23 NVA KIA; Blue Ghost and Air - 50 NVA KIA; Arty 30 NVA KIA.	S M	EE		
				Bde S2			
				Received by SPL			
				Boquard.			
30.	1350		MG Ramsey arrived this location.	S	EE		
31.	1353		(C) FAC (Helix 14): Putting in airstrike at AT 933270.	S M	EE		
32.	1359		(U) MG Ramsey departed this location.	S	EE		
33.	1420		(C) S3 Bde: 1st Marine request clearance on Sky Spot at grids AT 939293, AT 938282, AT 923296, AT 924287, AT 903277 for time frame 211800H to 220600H Aug 69.	S M	EE		
				Cleared by S3 Air.			
34.	1430		(C) Bde S2: URS reports unknown size enemy force at AT 992185/3000 meter radius.	S M	EE		
35.	1430		(C) Bde S2: Red Haze will be run on the 22-23 Aug 69 at the following grids: ZC 1727 east to AT 8629 south to AT 8616 west to ZC 1716 and north to ZC 1727.	S M	EE		
36.	1500		(C) FAC (Helix 13): In FCA for airstrike at AT 940273.	S M 1/2	EE		
37.	1515		(C) FAC (Helix 13): Departing FCA; airstrike is complete. BDA 100/80. Refer Entry 36.	S M	EE		
38.	1515		(C) Black Ace 25: At AT 933275, reported movement; arty fired from LZ Center, results unknown. Area well covered.	S M	EE		
				Bde S2			
				SPL Parts			
				received.			
39.	1530		(C) Black Ace 25: At BT 022212, sighted 50 Cal position; Arty called and fired from LZ Center, results unknown. Area well covered.	S M Bde	EE		
				S2 Received			
				by SPL Boquard			

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40.	1535		(C) Bde S2: At AT 983217, 3-5 ARVN made contact with unknown size enemy force resulting in one ARVN KIA and one ARVN WIA. ARVN's returned fire with unknown results.	S M	EE		
41.	1710		(C) S3 to Bde S3: Activities for 22 Aug 69 are as follows: Task Force 4-31 consisting of Co B/1-46, Co B/2-1, and Co C/4-31 will attack from SW to NE to find, fix, and destroy the enemy in zone (AT 910290, AT 910260, AT 950290, AT 950260). Co D/4-46 assume defense of Hiep Duc CFZ with plat locations and maximum dispersion to intercept any enemy infiltration: conduct local patrols within 1 Kilo of periphery of CFZ. Co B/4-31 will continue to secure LZ Siberia and conduct local patrols. Co D/4-31 will continue to secure LZ West. Recon Plat under OPCON of Co D/4-31 and will assist in securing LZ West. Blue Ghost platoon under OPCON of Co B/4-31 and will assist in securing LZ West. Co A/4-31 under OPCON 3-21 Inf. Co C/2-1 under OPCON 3-21 Inf.	S M Bde S3 Received by SP4 Ofstad	EE		
42.	1730		(U) SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) relieved SP4 Earl Eickelberger as RTO.		RJ		
43.	1910		(C) CO E Co (LT Brandon): Line Nine report is as follows: 1-4, 2-4, 3-0, 4-0, 5-93, 6-93, 7-93, 8-0, 9-0.	S M Bde S3	RJ		
44.	2040		(C) CO C Co: 1st plat/Co C had trip flare go off to their East.	S M	RJ		
45.	2040		(C) Bde S3: Division requests OZ extension #3 for time frame 2200 to 262000 Aug 69 for AT 860-300 south to AT 860280 to east AT 880280 north to AT 880300 west to AT 860300.	S M Bde S3 Cleared by S3 (MAJ Lee)	RJ		
46.	2045		(C) FAC (Helix 13): Airstrikes complete at AT 931-280, AT 933276, AT 936275, and AT 938281. BDA is 100/80.	S M Bde S2	RJ		
47.	2047		(C) FAC (Helix 17): Airstrike complete at AT 956-138 with unknown results. BDA was 100/90.	S M Bde S2.	RJ		
48.	2235		(C) ARVN LNO: Intell report: The ARVN's questioned a middle aged female at 1535 hours at AT 984216, and following information was received: There are approximately 400-500 NVA located in the following grids AT 995225, AT 985215, BT 017214 and BT 008203.	S M Bde S2 Received by SP4 Parks.	RJ		

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48.	(Continued)		(C) They were wearing gray and khaki uniforms. They were in the area since the 13th of Aug and the last time she saw them was on the 20th. She says there are NVA on both sides of the river in rice fields and have many tunnels and bunkers which have survived the arty strikes. She says that there are a lot of guns on the hills. She gave the names of Soan (Son) as BN CO, age 30, and Thang as XO. Source is unknown information and could be true since heavy contact was made on 17 thru 19 Aug on a large enemy force, well dug in, with a great deal of ammo to expend.				
49.	2235		(C) Bde S3: 1st Marine Div request AO extension #4 for time frame 211200H to 202400H Sept 69 for combat operations in AT 904276, Southwest to AT 887259, south along the Song Thu Bon River AT 882-236 southwest -West Song Thu Bon to Present Marine Boundries AT 815283.	S M Bde RJ			
				S3 Cleared by S3.			
50.	2355		(C) S3 Air to Bde S3: Request for Preplans at AT 938270 and AT 937280 for time frame 220600H to 221800H Aug 1969.	S M RJ			
				Received by SP4 Ofstad.			
51.	2400		(C) Summary: Co A/4-31 continued to secure IZ WEST; conducted airlift from PZ (IZ West) to IZ Y (AT 997227) and in conjunction with Co C/2-1 swept along assigned route to secure OBJ A (BT 016224) with negative results. Co C/2-1 provided support for link up with Co A/4-31 and in conjunction swept along assigned route to secure OBJ B (BT 016229) with negative results for the sweep; however Co C 2-1 had prior to airlift 3 NVA KIA, 2 AK47, 3 Magazines and 6 Chicoms. Co B/4-31 Continued to secure IZ Siberia with neg results. Co B/1-46 in conjunction with Co C/4-31 swept along assigned route to secure OBJ M (AT 940279) with Neg Results. Co C/4-31 in conjunction with Co B/1-46 swept along assigned route to secure OBJ N (AT 942276) resulting in 23 NVA KIA for Co C, 30 NVA KIA for Arty, and 50 NVA KIA for Blue Ghost. Co D/4-31 conducted airlift from IZ Y (AT 997227) to IZ West and assumed the defense of IZ West with negative results for the day's activities. Recon Plat continued OECON of Blue Ghost Plat and upon completion of river crossing operation returned to IZ West along assigned route and went OPCON to Co C/4-31. Co B/2-1 Inf moved				

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(C) along assigned route to NDP (AT 921259) of
Co B/1-46 and Co C/4-31 to support and secure the
NDP and had negative results for the day's activities.

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(U) Journal closed by SP4 Rodger Johnson RTO.

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Rattler 18
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4 Hours until Maintenance

IN	OUT	SORTIE	TOTAL TIME	TYPE MISSION
0930	Co C/2-1	AC1, AC5		Suspect Enemy Loc 185's Siberia 8 HE
0930	Co C/2-1	AC1		Suppressive Fire Mortars West 1 HE
0940	1140	10	2 Hours	R/S to B/2-1 and Extractions
0930	Co C/2-1	AC2, AC3		Suppressive Fire 185's West 8 HE
1200	1500	4	5 Hours	VR
0930	Co C/2-1	AC1, 2, 4		Suppressive Fire Mortars West 20 HE (4.2)
1530	1630	2	6 Hours	Baldy and Return
0930	ARVN Arty 120	AT 901221		Suspect enemy loc 105's Siberia 1 WP, 28 HE
1630	1730	3	7 Hours	Siberia and Co C
0930	Co C/2-1	AC1, 5		Suppressive Fire, 5A 105's Siberia 28 HE
1730	1915	5	9 Hours 15 Min	Milk Run
0930	Co C/2-1	AC1, 3		" 185's West 24 HE
0930	Co C/2-1	AC1, 2, 4, 5	9 Hours 15 Min	" Mortars West 50 HE (4.2)
0930	Co C/2-1	AC4		Suppressive Fire Mortars West 13 HE (4.2)
0940	Co C/2-1	AC1, 5		Suppressive Fire 105's Siberia 26 HE
0940	Co C/2-1	AC2, 3		Suppressive Fire 155's West 26 HE
0625	Co C/2-1	AC4		VC Probe Mortars West 23 HE (4.2)
0625	Co C/2-1	AC1, 5		VC Probe 105's Siberia 94 HE
0625	Co C/2-1	AC2, 3		VC Probe 155's West 32 HE
0730	ARVN Arty 120	AT 982220		Prep 105's Siberia 18 HE
0814	Co C/2-1	AT 929275 AT 923272 AT 921271		Blocking Fire 105's Siberia
0835	ARVN Arty 120	AT 970220		Suspect Rocket loc 105's Siberia 3 WP, 36 HE
0920	Co B/1-46	AT 930221		Medium West 111 HE
1008	h-31 Arty 120	AT 931221		105's Siberia 120 HE
1043	Aerial Observer	AT 930271		VC Location 105's Siberia 1 WP, 138 HE
1107	h-31 Arty 120	AT 931221		105's Siberia 216 HE
1150	Co B/2-46	AT 931221		105's Siberia 60 HE

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1.	0001		(U) Journal opened by SP4 Terald Graves. Initials TG.		TG
2.	0001		(C) S3 Air (CPT Whitticar); Request beacon drop in grid AT 956138. Time frame; 220600 to 221800.	S M Bde S3 Received by SP4 Ofstead.	TG
3.	0001		(C) 1st Marine Division; Parker Pin will have activity beginning 220530 hrs in following; grids LR 000275, UL 970300.	S M	TG
4.	0035		(C) S3 Air; Request for Arc Light for grids AT 945285 to AT 936288 NW to AT 916301 to AT 910310. Will be followed up by tactical operations into area. Time frame ASAP.	S M Bde S3 Air Received by SP4 Strohler.	TG
5.	0035		(C) 3/5 ARVNS; Spotted lights moving east and west in the 9723 and 9823 grid squares.	S M 105's from Siberia fired on grid AT 980236. HE	TG
6.	0410		(U) LZ WEST on yellow alert status.	S	TG
7.	0615		(C) CO Co D-1/46; Moving from AT 935258 to AT 920259.	S	TG
8.	0630		(C) CO Co B-2/1; Departing NDP at grid AT 920259. Moving northeast.	S	TG
9.	0640		(C) CO Co C-4/31 (CPT Thomas); Departs NDP at AT 920259 moving northeast.	S	TG
10.	0650		(C) CO Co B-1/46; Departs NDP AT 920259 moving northeast.	S	TG
11.	0700		(U) SP4 Michael Wilson relieves SP4 Graves.	S	MW
12.	0730		(C) CO Co C-4/31, CO Co B-2/1; At phase line blue.	S	MW

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13.	0815		(C) 2/7 Marines; Located at BT 001285.	SM	MW							
14.	0815		(U) 3/5 ARVNS; on the move.	S M	MW							
15.	0905		(C) CO Co B-1/46; At phase line blue.	S M	MW							
16.	0905		(U) Forward Air Control (FAC) Helix 13: Entered	S	MW							
17.	0930		(U) FAC (Helix 13) Departing.	S	MW							
18.	1005		(C) CO Co C-4/31, CO Co B-2/1, CO Co B-1/46; All units departing phase line blue. Behind Arty prep.	S M	MW							
19.	1015		(C) 3/5 ARVNS; CP located at AT 980233. Companies located at AT 973277, AT 983217, AT 986218. Plat at AT 973220, AT 984225, AT 985215, AT 989218.	S M	MW							
20.	1030		(U) FAC (Blue Ghost 25) Entered. Giving V/R in area between river and 25 east-west grid. line. Between 99 and 94 North/South lines.	S M	MW							
21.	1030		(C) Battalion S2 (CPT Akiona) To Bde S2: Grids cleared for Red Haze mission ZC 1727 to east 8627 to South 8616 to west 1716 to north 1727. Refer to Daily Journal File. 21 Aug, entry 35.	S M	MW	Bde S2 received by SP4 Boquard.						
22.	1050		(C) Bde S2; Division request grid clearance for sniffer mission to be flown 0800 to 1000 on 23 Aug 69. Upper left AT8918, lower right AT 9616. Also request free fire.	S M	MW	S3 Air cleared grids. Received by SP4 Boquard.						
23.	1130		(C) CO Co C-4/31; Located at AT 931270, CO Co B-1/46 located at AT 927270, CO Co B-2/1; located at AT 940270.	S M	MW							
24.	1130		(C) Blue Ghost 25: In grid AT 96323, matted grass was spotted which looked like about 6 people had went through the area. In grid AT 960239 there was about 20 Bam-boo poles that had been cut recently. They were about 15' long. At AT 960239 there was 1 camouflaged hootch. Engaged and destroyed.	S M	MW	Bde S2 Received by SP4 Boquard.						
25.	1155		(C) 2/7 Marines; Located at AT 995284.	S M	MW							
26.	1205		(U) FAC (Blue Ghost 25) Departed.	S M	MW							

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27.	1215		(C) Caveman 11 (LTC Henry) CO-4/31: Reported that while CO Co D-1/46 were moving to Hill 118, spotted several Vietnamese moving with household goods, and domestic animals towards Hiep Duc.	S Bde	MM
28.	1235		(U) SP4 Earl Eickleberger relieved SP4 Wilson.	S	EE
29.	1240		(C) C) Co B-2/1; made contact.	S	EE
30.	1240		(U) CG Co B-2/1; request dustoff for 5 personnel.	S	EE
31.	1253		Dustoff ship #601, ETA ASAP. (U) FAC (Helix 11); entered.	S	EE
32.	1300		(U) Blue Ghost 23; On station, working for Co B-2/1	S	EE
33.	1300		(U) Dustoff 601; On station.	S	EE
34.	1325		(U) Dustoff 601; Dustoff complete.	S	EE
35.	1400		(C) CO Co C-4/31; At grid AT 932273 Co C-2d plat detained 1 VCS, male hiding in a hole. Did not evade Bde S2 Dressed in Khaki shirt and shorts. Age 58. Name Tran- Received by Dong. He was sent to Baldy.	S M	EE
36.	1420		(C) CO Co B-2/1; At 0820 received 1 sniper round. At 0930 Helix received automatic weapons fire. 1230 hrs B-2/1 receiving mortars from AT 942273. Arty was fired into the area AT 942273. B-2/1 received 12 WD and 1 KIA. 1300 Blue Ghost 23 on station. 1305 Helix 11 on station. 1245 Dustoff called. 1300 dustoff on station. 1320 B-2/1 receiving automatic weapons fire and small arms fire. 1320 dustoff couldn't get in because of AK-47 fire. 1325 dustoff complete. 1330 Blue Ghost 23 broke station. 1330 Helix 11 called for 3 set of fighters. 1420 Helix 11 broke station. 1420 Helix 17 on station.	S M	EE
37.	1430		(C) Bn CO; Observed mortar positions at grids AT936271 and AT 934274. Readings was from counter-mortar radar.	S M	EE
38.	1500		(U) CO Co B-2/1; Request dustoff for 1 US at grid AT 935267. Gunshot wound in legs. Dustoff ship #601. ETA 10 min.	S	EE
39.	1510		(C) Quien Ny; Request clearance for air strike at	S M	EE

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39.	(Continued)		AT 965135. Time frame 0600 to 1900 23 Aug 69.	S M	EE
				Cleared by S3 Air.	
40.	1525		(U) CO Co B-2/1; Dustoff complete.	S	EE
41.	1530		(U) CO-2/1; Coming to LZ West. ETA 15 min.	S	EE
42.	1530		(C) Bde S2; URS reports unknown division size elem ent in grid AT 965156. Arty pending.	S M	EE
43.	1610		(U) Helix 17's; Fighter planes are receiving 50 cal fire.	S	EE
44.	1615		(U) Helix 17; Departs. Helix 15 on station.	S	EE
45.	1615		(U) Gen. Clements; On LZ West.	S	EE
46.	1615		(U) CO Co B-2/1; 1 MIA at this time.	S	EE
47.	1625		(C) CO Co B-4/31; Has detained 3 Vietnamese suspect. Approx. age 20 to 25 and 40. Dressed in black PJ's. Captured some medicine and documents. Detainees will be bought to LZ West for questioning. Grid AT902237	S M	EE
48.	1637		(U) Blue Ghost 23; On station. Entered FAC.	S	EE
48.	1640		(U) Blue Ghost 23; Departed FAC.	S	EE
49.	1655		(U) Bn CO; All elements are closed to NDP. Read out on WIA, KIA, and MIA are as follows: B-2/1 12 WIAs 1 MIA;	S	EE
50.	1700		(U) Helix 15; Departs FAC. Off station.	S	EE
51.	1715		(U) Helix 15; On station.	S	EE
52.	1730		(U) SP4 Rodger Johnson relieved SP4 Eickleberger.	S	RJ
53.	1800		(C) CO Co E-4/31 (Bt Brandon): Line nine report is as follows: 1-2,2-2,3-0,4-0,5-49,6-49,7-49,8-0,9-0.	S	RJ
54.	1810		(U) Helix 15; Air strike complete. Departing to east.	S	RJ
55.	1810		(U) Gen. Clements; Departed LZ West.	S	RJ
56.	1845		(U) Blue Ghost 25; On station to cover CH-47.	S	RJ
57.	1912		(C) URS to S2; Picked up transmission of NVA requesting	S	RJ

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57.	(Continued)		a mortar tube, truck, radio and surveillance equipment. Unknown unit or location.	Bde S2				
				Received by SPl Parks.				
58.	2010		(C) IZ West receiving mortars. Negative damage or wounded.	S	RJ			
59.	2015		(C) Hiep Duc Advisor: At AT 938230 1 plat of sappers. Their mission to attack IZ Siberia the nite 22 Aug. The Headquarters, 1st Bn, 31st NVA Regt are located at AT 988208 and AT 949208. Their mission is to mortar or attack the refugee camp at Hiep Duc.	S M	RJ			
				Bde S2 Received by SPl Parks.				
60.	2035		(C) IZ West received incoming recoilless rifle fire. Negative damage. Approx grid where fire coming from AT 983286.	S M	RJ			
				Bde S3 received by SPl Parks.				
61.	2220		(C) 3/5 ARVNS; confirmed grid given to 4/31 by Hiep Duc. They heard noises. Sounded like personnel moving. Grid AT 988208. This location was the location given as to where a company of NVA were located. With the mission of attacking the refugee center at Hiep Duc.	S M	RJ			
				Bde S2 Received by SPl Parks.				
62.	2230		(C) CO Co C-3/82 Arty; Arty was fired at grid AT 938230, a suspected enemy location of one plat of sappers who's mission is to attack IZ Siberia resulting in 2-3 small secondary explosions and 1 large secondary explosion.	S M	RJ			
				Bde S2 Received by SPl Parks.				
63.	2350		(C) Bn S2 to Bde S2; Request a V/R be flown on the blue from AT 800295 to the south AT 850234 with free fire west of the blue in 4/31's area. Request Bde get clearance from Marines of blue area in their area of operation and on their extension #4.	S M	RJ			
				Received by SPl Lenton.				
64.	2400		Monitored transmission throughout the day, were as follows. About 0630 a battalion size enemy force was on the move. Perhaps accounting for the contact made by B-2/1 at 1240 hrs. The call sign used was "Hai Thinh". Other call signs used were "Hai Duong Luv Y, Ha Noi 209 and Quang Binh 357. The last 3 call signs were unidentified. Further transmission indicates a large supply is being shipped from the north. Contacts made indicates that there must be 2 regt size forces operating in this area of operation plus support units of the 2d NVA Division.	S	Journal by S2.			

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Call Sign: Rattler 10
 Pilot: Mr. Waterbury HTM:3
 Tail No: 520

IN	OUT	SORTIE	TOTAL TIME	TYPE MISSION
0830	0930	6	1 hr 00 min	Pax and R/S to Bn CO on hill 118
1415	1445	2	1 hr 30min	Marines
1450	1600	6	2 hr 40 min	Baldy to refuel, Marines.
1645	1730	3	3 hr 25 min	Marines LTC on Hill 118
1730	2000	7	5 hr 55 min	West to Blady to West to Hill 118 to Siberia to West.
Total		Sorties: 24	Total Time: 5 hrs 55 min.	

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1.	0001		(U) Journal opened by SP4 Terald Graves, RTO on duty.	S	TG		
2.	0630		(U) Gen. Clements: On IZ West.	S	TG		
3.	0640		(C) CO-4/31 (LTC Henry): Task force departing NDP on Hill 118 - moving NE. B-1/46 is lead element, followed by C-1/31 and B-2/1.	S M	TG		
4.	0650		(C) CQ Co D-1/46; Spotted from 60-70 Vietnamese carrying bags and baggage moving along Highway 534. Grid AT 938258 SW towards Hiep Duc.	SM	TG		
5.	0655		(C) CO Co D-4/31 (CPT Wineman); LZ West received 1 unknown type of round, larger than 82MM mortar. Point of origin was approximately AT 972206 The round passed over LZ West and landed outside the perimeter. Negative casualties or damage.	S M	TG		
6.	0715		(C) Bn CO; At 0715 at grid AT 922258 81mm position received about 30 incoming mortar rounds resulting in 4 minor WIAs.	S M	TG		
7.	0720		(U) SP4 Michael Wilson relieved SP4 Graves as RTO.	S	MW		
8.	0735		(U) Fire Control Area (FCA) Helix 13) Entered.	S	MW		
9.	0730	Delayed Entry	(C) Bn CO; Request preplan air strike at grids AT 884225, AT 893259, AT 898264, AT 900270, AT 906273 AT 923284, AT 926281, AT 934285, AT 943283 AT 946286. TF ASAP until they are in.	S M	MW		
10.	0810		(C) 2/7 Marines; Operations for 23 Aug 69. 2/7 will establish force from AT 964287 to AT 964262. Force will be in location at 231000H Aug 69.	S M	MW		
11.	0830		(C) 3/5 ARVNS; Operations for 23 Aug 69. 3/5 will extend into area; from BT 012213 east along river to BT 015210 to BT 015180, west to BT 000180 north along AO boundary to BT 012213. Objectives - "D" BT 007208. "E" - BT 023203 "F" - BT 037203.	S M	MW		
12.	0830		(U) Gen. Clements; Departed IZ West.	S	MW		
13.	0835		(C) Counter-Mortar Radar; At 0835 counter-mortar radar picked up enemy 82mm mortar positions at AT 9043826580 and AT 922252720. Caution or no firing at AT 922252720.	S M Bde	MW		

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13.	(Continued)		(C) 9222525720. This location is friendly position. Arty will be fired after check fire lifts. Area well covered. results unknown.				
14.	0905		(C) 3/5 ARVNS; CP located AT 989215. companies loc at AT 997216, AT 984206, AT 9987209.	S M Bde MW			
15.	0910		(C) S3 4/31 (Mai Lee) to Bde S3: Request for sky spots at grids AT 947283, AT 939275, AT 939271, AT 940268, AT 933266, AT 949208, AT 968203, AT 882247, AT 883247, AT 887249, AT 883257, AT 890268, AT 895260, AT 898261, AT 900260, AT 890257, AT 892250, AT 895253, AT 898256, AT 902270, AT 906273, AT 902272, AT 905267, AT 904263, AT 971207, AT 980208, AT 907260, AT 913269, AT 912266, AT 917273, AT 920277, AT 925288, AT 929284, AT 923280, AT 923270, AT 925272, AT 929271, AT 930273, AT 934280, AT 938288, AT 940287, AT 947288, AT 949286. Time Frame (TF) 232000-240400 Aug 69.	S3 Received by SPL TROGDON.			
16.	0925		(U) Blue Ghost 26; Entered FCA.	S			MW
17.	0955		(U) CO Co B-1/46; On the move.	S			MW
18.	1000		(U) Blue Ghost 26; Departing FCA.	S			MW
19.	1010		(C) 2/7 Marines; Present blocking force located from AT 972267 to AT 972260 along best terrain. We do control high ground and are patrolling to west and thanks.	S M			MW
20.	1025		(U) Blue Ghost White; Entered FCA.	S			MW
21.	1030		(C) Bde Aviation; Tam Ky request clearance for air strike in area upper left AT 9413, lower right AT 0209. TF 240600 to 241900 hrs Aug 69.	S M			MW
							Cleared by S3 Air (CP Whitticar). Bde Aviation Taken by PFC Lewis.
22.	1045		(C) 2/5 ARVNS; CP Located at AT 988214. Companies at AT 984214, AT 987208, AT 998214, plat; AT 980207, AT 987217, AT 994207, 994217, BT 000210.	S M			MW
23.	1100		(U) Helix 14; Entering FCA. Given divert target: AT 884252.	S M			MW
24.	1150		(U) Blue Ghost White; Departing FCA.	S			MW

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25.	1210		(U) SP4 Earl Eickleberger relieved SP4 Wilson as RTO.	S	EE
26.	1224		(C) 2/7 Marines; Loc at AT 970275.	S M	EE
27.	1348		(C) Bn S3 to Bde S3; Activities for 24 Aug 69. Co A 4/31 remains OPCON to 3/21. Co B-4/31 continues to secure IZ Siberia with local day patrols. Task Force 4-31: TF consisting of Co B-1/46, Co B-2/1 and Co C 4-31 with plat of Blue Ghost OPCON of Co C conduct coordinated search and clear operations in assigned areas. (AT 910290, AT 910280, AT 950290 and AT 950260). Co D-4/31 continues to secure IZ West. Recon plat Blue Ghost to Co C/4-31; Remain OPCON to Co D 4-31 and continue to assist in security of IZ West. Co D-1/46 is same as 23 Aug.	S M	EE
28.	1405		(U) Helix 15; FCA on station.	S	EE
29.	1415		(C) Bn CO; Initial contact of task force. Request dustoff for 1 US from Co B-1/46	S	EE
30.	1425		(U) Helix 15; Departing FCA to east off station.	S	EE
31.	1425		(C) Bde S2 to Bn S2 (CPT Akiona): Request IR to be flown in following grids BT 0013 to BT 0513 to BT 0503 to BT 0003. TF 0030 to 0100. BT 0000 to BT 0900 BT 0094 to BT 0994. TF 0100 to 0130.	SM	EE
32.	1433		(U) Helix 15; Entered FCA.	S	EE
34.	1500		(U) Bn CO; Dustoff complete.	S	EE
35.	1600		(C) Bn CO; Hill 118 receiving incoming mortars.	S	EE
36.	1600		(U) Blue Ghost White; On station.	S	EE
37.	1600		(U) Bde CO (Col Tackelberry) at IZ West.	S	EE
38.	1710		(U) Col Tackelberry; Departed IZ West.	S	EE
39.	1710		(U) Blue Ghost White; Off station.	S	EE
40.	1720		(C) Bde S3 to Bn S3 (Maj Lee): Division S-5 has laid out a light early word mission for 4-31's FCA. TF 232200 hrs to 232300 hrs Aug 69. It will consist of Vietnamese music to the people down below.	S	EE

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0000	West	C/C TIME 23 Aug 69	Sus Movement	Marines West	1 111

Call Sign: Rattler 19
Tail No. 875
HTM: 25
Pilot: Mr. Foe

IN	OUT	SORTIE	TOTAL TIME	TYPE MISSION
0805	0905	6	1 hr 00 min	R/S to Task Force, Pol
1050	1250	8	3 hr 00 min	R/S to Task Force Pax to Task Force, Pol
1255	1315	2	3 hr 20 min	Task Force
1315	1325	2	3 hr 30 min	Marines
1325	1350	4	3 hr 55 min	Hill 118, R/S
1350	1410	2	4 hr 15 min	ARVNS
1415	1445	2	4 hr 45 min	Pol at Baldy
1500	1515	2	5 hr 00 min	Hill 118 R/S
1900	1915	2	5 hr 15 min	Hill 118

0510	Total Sorties	30	Total Time	5 hr 55 min	
0736	Co B-2/1 FO	AT 972205	Sus Rocket Loc	155's West	20 HE
0740	"	AT 927276	Sus Enemy Loc	105's Siberia	7 HE
0750	Co D FO	AT 918261	Mortar Loc	Mortars Hill 118	50 HE
0755	"	AT 921277	"	105's Siberia	65 HE
0810	"	AT 921268	"	"	12 HE
0811	"	AT 910278	"	155's West	3 HE
0815	"	AT 918278	"	"	17 HE
0819	"	AT 921263	"	105's West	18 HE
1000	Col. Henry	AT 910258	"	HE	HE

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1.	0001		(U) Journal opened by SPL Terald Graves (TG) RTO.		TG		
2.	0520	REGRADED UNCLASSIFIED ORDER SEC ARMY BY TAG PER	(C) Bde S2 to S2 (CPT Akiona): Infra-Red Grid: Time on Target: 232354H-240004H; 1 emission at AT 889239 and 100 emission at AT 895247.	S M	TG		
					105's from IZ Siberia fire 10 rounds HE on AT 895247.		
3.	0630		(U) BG Clement arrived IZ West.	S	TG		
4.	0645		(C) MACV Sr Advisor Hiep Duc (CPT Brown): PF/RF's from Hiep Duc will conduct operations in grid squares: AT 8924, AT 8925, and AT 9025 (this is in addition to other assigned area).	S M	TG		
5.	0800		(U) Bde S3 to S3 (MAJ Lee): AO extension #1 has been cancelled, however, Long Range Recon Patrol (LRP) are still in the area.	S M	TG		
6.		0800	(C) S3 to Bde S3: 4-31 Inf request Sky Spots in the following grids: AT 947283, AT 939275, AT 939271, AT 940268, AT 933266, AT 949208, AT 968203, AT 882241, AT 883247, AT 887249, AT 883257, AT 890268, AT 895260, AT 898264, AT 900260, AT 890257, AT 892250, AT 895253; Time Frame: 242000H-250400H Aug 69.	S M	TG		
7.	0800		(U) Blue Ghost 23: Entered FCA on V/R.	S	TG		
8.	0800		(U) Forward Air Control (FAC) Helix 15: Entered FCA on station with fighters for Air Strike.	S	TG		
9.	0800		(U) SPL Michael Wilson (MW) relieved SPL Terald Graves as RTO.		MW		
10.	0815		(U) Blue Ghost 23: Departed FCA.	S	MW		
11.	0835		(C) FAC (Helix 15): At 0835 hours AT 884255, 8 500 lb bombs and 4 Napalms were expended, with BDA 90/100, resulting in 1 50 cal position destroyed.	S M	MW		
12.	0840		(C) FAC (Helix 15): First Air Strike is complete, and given divert at AT 940273.	S M	MW		
13.	0850		(C) 3/5 ARVNS: CP location AT 997205; companies location at AT 988208, AT 997216, and BT 006195.	S M	MW		
14.	0920		(U) FAC (Helix 16): Entered FCA relieving Helix 15.	S	MW		
15.	0930		(C) FAC (Helix 16): At 0930 hours AT 940273, 12	S M	MW		

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15.	(Continued)		(C) 250 lb bombs and 4 Napalms were expended, with BDA 80/80, resulting in 3 bunkers destroyed.		
16.	0935		(U) FAC (Helix 15): Departed FCA. S MW		
17.	0940		(U) CO B Co/2-1 Inf: Element moving at this time. S MW		
18.	0940		(C) Task Force: The Point of Origin will be AT 9326. S M MW		
19.	0950		(U) CO C Co/4-31 Inf: Element moving at this time. S MW		
20.	0950		(U) FAC (Helix 16): Departed FCA. S MW		
21.	1015		(U) FAC (Helix 16): Entered FCA. S MW		
22.	1030		(C) Bde S3 to S3: The following grids will be the ones that will get Air Strikes tonight (24 Aug 69; Refer to entry 6): OD-6 AT 939271, OD-5 AT 947283, OD-7 AT 940268, OD-8 AT 933266, OD-9 AT 949208, OD-10 AT 968203, OD-11 AT 890268, OD-12 AT 898264, OD-13 AT 890257, OD-16 AT 939275; request direction and proximity of friendly elements within a 5000 meter radius at 241730 hours. S M MW		
23.	1045		(U) FAC (Helix 16): Departed FCA. S MW		
24.	1050		(C) CO B Co/2-1 Inf: Location at AT 938273. S M MW		
25.	1050		(C) CO C Co/4-31 Inf: Location at AT 930275. S M MW		
26.	1050		(C) 3-5 ARVMS: CP location BT 001204; companies location at BT 009208 and AT 995197. S M MW		
27.	1105		(U) MG Ramsey arrived at LZ West. S MW		
28.	1125		(U) MG Ramsey departed LZ West. S MW		
29.		1125	(C) S2 to Bde S2: (1) At 0835 hours AT 844255, the Air Strike destroyed 1 50 cal position (Refer to entry 11) (2) At 0930 hours, Helix 15 and 1 set of fighters received AK-47 fire from vic AT 940273 (3) At 0930 hours, Helix 15 and 1 set of fighters broke station, and 1 large bunker and 2 small bunkers were destroyed (Refer to entry 15) (4) At 0936 hours, Helix 16 arrived on station (5) At 1120 hours AT 947267, the ground troops spotted some enemy positions (mortars were fired from Million Dollar Hill with results unknown at this time and area well covered. S M Bde MW S2 (Received by SPL Do guard).		

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196th Inf Bde								
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30.		1140	(C) S2 to Bde S2: Enemy activity noted: Indications are a possible movement to regroup for the next 2 or 3 days; this does not mean a withdrawal; attack will be by indirect fire and probing of NDP's and fire support bases (this still persists), especially during BENT and BMNT; Bn S2 Rating: B2.				S Bde	MW
			S2 (Received by SP4 Boguard).					
31.	1220		(C) CO B Co/2-1 Inf: At 1215 hours AT 940274, engaged a force of 20 NVA resulting in 2 NVA KIA and 1 AK-47 captured (SN UNK); further readout will follow.				S M Bde	MW
			S2 (Received by SP4 Boguard).					
32.	1240		(C) Recon Plat (1LT Williams): At 1235 hours, LNO with the Marines reported that the Marines recovered their KIA and is now maneuvering 2 companies to secure the high ground at AT 968279 and 1 company to remain in assigned blocking position vic AT 9626.				S M Bde	MW
			S2 (Received by SP4 Boguard).					
33.	1300		(U) SP4 Earl Eickelberger (EE) relieved SP4 Michael Wilson as RTO.					EE
34.	1310		(U) CO B Co/2-1 Inf: Received incoming Mortars at this time.				S	EE
35.	1310		(C) CO B Co/2-1 Inf: The suspected mortar position is AT 94102753 (Refer to entry 34).				S M	EE
36.	1335		(U) Blue Ghost 23: Arrival will be soon to LZ West to coordinate with 4-31 Inf.				S	EE
37.	1343		(U) FAC (Helix 17): Entered FCA with preplan.				S	EE
38.	1345		(C) FAC (Helix 17): Preplan grid is AT 898264.				S M	EE
39.	1400		(U) FAC (Helix 20): Relieved Helix 17 on station.				S	EE
40.	1400		(U) Blue Ghost 23: Entered FCA on station.				S	EE
41.	1445		(C) LNO with Marines: At 1215 hours, 2 companies of Marines were on high ground vic AT 968279; from that location, 1 company will secure the high ground and 1 company will secure the area 300 meters SW from AT 968279; the remaining company will be with the CP group at AT 963271; total NVA KIA is 7 to date.				S M Bde	EE
			(U) CO B Co/2-1 Inf: Request medevac for casualties which total 1 KIA, 2 litter, and 6 ambulatory.				S Medevac	EE
							Control reported medevac ship #601 is on its way.	
42.	1520		(U) Medevac ship #601: On station (Refer to entry 42).				S	EE
43.	1530							

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44.	1545		(U) CO B Co/2-1 Inf: Medevac is complete (Refer to entry 42).	S	EE		
45.		1550	(C) S2 to Bde S2: (1) At 1300 hours, Co C/4-31 Inf recovered 10 bodies of MIA that belonged to Co B/4-31 Inf at AT 940275 (2) 1310 hours, Co B/2-1 Inf received incoming mortar rounds, and mortars on Hill 118 are firing 81mm on the suspected enemy mortar position at AT 938273 and to N of Co B/2-1 Inf (3) 1315 hours, mortar radar on LZ West picked up the suspected mortar position at AT 94102753 (4) 1320 hours, artillery was being fired in support of Co B/2-1 Inf (5) 1350 hours, Blue Ghost 23 reported on station to support Co B/2-1 Inf (6) 1500 hours, Co B/2-1 Inf has also been receiving small arms fire the the N, NW, and NE (the enemy mortars also appear to be from this location); Co B/2-1 Inf approximate location at AT 942270 (7) 1510 hours, Co B/2-1 Inf reported 8 US WIA and 1 US KIA, and medevac is requested (8) 1510 hours, Blue Ghost 23 expended a full load and is breaking station at this time (9) 1515 hours, Blue Ghost 24 reported on station supporting Co B/2-1 Inf and the medevac (10) At 1545 hours, medevac was complete by ship #601 at AT 940-265, and the aircraft received neg fire.	S M Bde	EE		
46.	1700		(U) Blue Ghost 23: Departed FCA.	S	EE		
47.	1730		(U) SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) relieved SP4 Earl Eickelberger as RT0.		RJ		
48.		1745	(C) S2 to Bde S2: (1) At 1555 hours, Co D/1-46 Inf reported that Blue Ghost 24 received small arms fire from approximate location AT 938261 (2) At 1515 hours, 2-7 Marines received 50 cal fire, and their aircraft received 50 cal fire at AT 960275 (Artillery fired from LZ Siberia) (3) At 1705 hours, Blue Ghost 24 broke station from supporting Co D/1-46 Inf.	S M Bde	RJ		
49.	1755		(C) CO B Co/2-1 Inf: At 1750 hours, engaged and killed 2 NVA at 75 meters wearing dirty brown clothing; also captured 2 AK-47's (SN UNK); will send SN of the AK-47's when available; grid AT 940274.	S M Bde	RJ		
50.	1803		(C) CO E Co (1LT Brandon): Line Nine Report: 1-7, 2-7, 3-0, 4-0, 5-26, 6-26, 7-17, 8-9, 9-5.	S Bde	RJ		
51.	1810		(U) Rattler 27: Aircraft was shot down W of LZ West but there were neg casualties.	S Bde	RJ		
52.	1815		(C) Bde S2 to S2: At 1800 hours, URS reported poss	S	RJ		

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52.	(Continued)		(C) increased enemy activity tonight and tomorrow morning; rating B-2.												
53.	1915		(C) Bde S2 to S2: At 1800 hours, URS reported that there are unknown size enemy forces at (1) AT 928125 at a radius of 800 meters (2) AT 959176 at a radius of 1000 meters; also Div HQs at AT 951140 at a radius of 800 meters.				S M	RJ							
54.	1920		(U) Bde S2 to S2: Probability of increased enemy activity is imminent.				S	RJ							
55.		2005	(C) S3 to Bde S3: 1-46 Inf AO; Time Frame: 250900H- Indefinite; area: from AT 840272, AT 840180, AT 914-180, along river to AT 950233, AT 950254, along Marine AO to AT 932262, AT 920273, AT 910271, AT 905-276, along Marine AO to AT 840272.				S M Bde RJ	RJ							
56.		2115	(C) S2 to Bde S2: Request Visual Recon be flown in the following area: from AT 9917 SW along AO boundary to AT 9513 W to AT 8613 N to AT 8617, and E to AT 9917; Time Frame: 250700H-250800H Aug 69.				S M Bde RJ	RJ							
57.		2125	(C) S2 to Bde S2: Rattler 27 (R/S bird) received small arms fire as the aircraft was coming out of an LZ for Co B/1-46 Inf; speed: 60 knots; alt: 200 feet; fire was approximately received from AT 937-261; aircraft went down at AT 967255 either from hits by small arms or due to maintenance problem (pilot is unsure at this time); Fire bird 99 reported that he went down; Rattler 25 at 1840 hours airlifted an element of Co D/4-31 Inf from LZ West to AT 967-255 to aid in the recovery of the crew and aircraft; a OH-47 lifted the aircraft out at 1910 hours, and the crew was taken back to LZ West with neg injuries (Refer to entry 51).				S M Bde RJ	RJ							
58.	2135		(C) CO D Co/4-31 Inf: At 1940 hours, several persons on the bunkerline at LZ West observed some flashes from a RR site on Hill 441; some persons also think that some rounds may have hit outside the perimeter of LZ West or passed overhead; there were neg hits, casualties, or damage to LZ West; artillery fired on the suspected RR location vic AT 982288.				S M Bde RJ	RJ							
59.	2150		(U) CO C Co/4-31 Inf: Closed Million Dollar Hill with 10 US KIA bodies.				S	RJ							
60.	2330		(U) CO C Co/4-31 Inf: Linked up with MAJ Lee at CP				S M	RJ							
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(C) Summary: Co A/4-31 Inf remained OPCON under 3-21 Inf. Co B/4-31 Inf continued to secure LZ Siberia and conducted local day patrols with neg results. Task Force conducted search and clear operations resulting in Co B/2-1 Inf killing 4 NVA with 3 AK-47 captured, Co C/4-31 recovered 10 US MIA from Co B/4-31 Inf, and Co B/2-1 Inf with 8 US WIA and 1 US KIA. Co D/4-31 Inf continued to secure LZ West with a small element aiding in the recovery of Rattler 27 which was downed by small arms fire or mechanical failure. Recon Plat remained OPCON under Co D/4-31 Inf and assisted in the security of LZ West.

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(U) Journal closed by SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) RTO.

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TIME	REPORTED ON CAUSED	GRID	NATURE OF TARGET	SHOT BY	ROUNDS
0200	-	AT 976204	Illus (3d Quad)	Mortars West	1 ILL
0335	-	AT 976204	"	"	"
0420	2/5 Advisor	AT 970710 AT 980190 BT 000190	BT for LP	ARVN	4 HS
	Rattler 25				
0430	Mr. Cassano West	1st Quad Illus		Mortars West	1 ILL
0510	6 Hours Until Maintenance	AT 982861	Gun in location	155's West	3
0655	Tail Number 546	AT 997206	Gun N/A Location	105's Siberia	1 HE
0650	"	AT 995205	Red Base	"	10 HS
0735	ARVN	BT 013210		ARVN	200
OUT	IN	SORTIE	TIME	MISSION	
0740	0800	1000	2	2 Hr 00 Min	Task Force W/Packs
0926	1100	1215	3	3 Hr 15 Min	Co B, Refuel
0955	1300	1500	4	5 Hr 15 Min	R/S, Co C, Co B/1-46
1020	1500	1600	2	6 Hr 15 Min	V/R
1025	1730	1830	4	7 Hr 15 Min	Co D to downed chopper and Refuel
1050	Marines	AT 967202		Mortars West	100
1055	"	AT 967202		155's West	100
1100	TOTAL	15	7 Hr 15 Min	Blocking Fire	105's Siberia
1125	ARVN	AT 969258	N/A	"	10 HE
1125	69	AT 967267	"	"	1 WP
1130	Co C FO	AT 931205	20 VC in the open	155's West	39
1135	Marines	AT 967204	VC in bunker	Mortars West	-
1215	3/5 Advisor	BT 007200	VC adjacent	ARVN	2 WP
1330	Marines	AT 967202		Mortars West	9 4.2

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1.	0001	1875	(U) Journal opened by SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) RTO.		RJ
2.	0100		(C) Bde S2 to S2 (CPT Akiona): Intelligence Report: 1st Marines S2 (3-7 Marines rating B-2) reported that there will be an increase in enemy activity tonight and tomorrow morning; tactics will possibly be by indirect fire and probing of friendly bases; also ground attacks are possible; this seems to concern the immediate area rather than the whole I Corp area.	S	RJ
3.	0700		(U) SP4 Michael Wilson (MW) relieved SP4 Rodger Johnson as RTO.		MW
4.	0730		(U) Blue Ghost 26: Entered FCA.	S	MW
5.		0745	(C) S3 (MAJ Lee) to Bde S3: Pre-plans for 26 Aug 69 are as follows: (1) AT 922277 (2) AT 923284 (3) AT 927283 (4) AT 927289 (5) AT 930288 (6) AT 935289 (7) AT 937286 (8) AT 940288 (9) AT 941287.	S M Bde S3	MW
6.	0750		(U) CO D Co/4-31 Inf (CPT Wineman): Element moving	S	MW
7.	0800		(U) Forward Air Control (FAC) Helix 17: Entered FCA.	S	MW
8.	0810		(C) 3-5 ARVN LNO: At 0130 hours AT 993205, 2d Co/3-5 ARVN engaged an estimated NVA sqd resulting in 2 NVA KIA and the capture of 1 AK-47, 2 magazines with 60 rounds, and 6 M-26 hand grenades; the remainder of the sqd evaded successfully to the North.	S M Bde S2 (Received by LT Cartrell)	MW
9.	0830		(C) Blue Ghost 26: Results of V/R are as follows: (1) AT 955166, spotted tunnel entrance that had been used about 2 weeks ago (2) AT 959163, saw a well used trail (3) AT 962164, spotted a well used trail that ran into some thick underbrush (4) AT 959153, spotted a trail and tunnel entrance, and both had been used recently (5) AT 926161, found a well used trail that looked like that it had been used recently (also AT 929154): trail was well concealed (6) AT 932136, saw alot of water buffalo; also spotted and destroyed 2 huts (7) AT 940130, also spotted some water buffalo; spotted 1 hut and destroyed it (8) AT 932136, spotted 1 VC and engaged with neg results.	S M Bde S2 (Received by SP4 Roguard)	MW
10.	0835		(U) MAJ Lee: All elements are moving.		MW

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11.	0850		(C) LNO with 2-7 Marines: At 0030 hours, 1LT Williams with the 2-7 Marines at AT 970275, reported hearing alot of movement around their perimeter; Spooky was called and arrived on location approximately at 0115 hours; while working the area, Spooky received small arms fire with neg hits; reason to call for Spooky was that indications pointed to a sapper attack; 4 NVA were engaged by small arms resulting in 1 NVA KIA and 1 AK-47 captured.	S M Bde	MW
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12.	0930		(U) Bde CO (COL Tackaberry) arrived at IZ West.	S	MW
13.	0945		(U) Bde CO departed IZ West.	S	MW
14.	1000		(U) CO D Co/1-46 Inf: Element moving.	S	MW
15.	1010		(U) FAC (Helix 11): Departed FCA.	S	MW
16.	1015		(U) CO B Co/2-1 Inf: Element receiving incoming mortar rounds.	S	MW
17.	1020		(U) CO B Co/2-1 Inf: Request gunships.	S	MW
18.	1130		(U) Bn Aid Station IZ West: Request medevac for 2 US litter and 5 ambulatory WIA (urgent) at IZ West; Medevac ship #607 is on its way with ETA at 10 minutes.	S	MW
19.	1130		(C) CO B Co/2-1 Inf: (1) At 1000 hours, received small arms fire; 81mm requested and it was fired from forward CP while being adjusted by Co B/2-1 FO (2) 1025 hours, received incoming mortar rounds from vic AT 941266; artillery cranked up from IZ Siberia; the incoming rounds inflicted several US WIA; read-out will follow (3) 1030 hours, Co B/1-46 Inf also received incoming 81mm and small arms fire; unit is moving or maneuvering to the East to assist Co B/2-1 Inf on enemy vic AT 941266 (4) 1105 hours, Co B/1-46 Inf reported 6 US WIA on contact at 1030 hours (5) 1106 hours, Co B/1-46 Inf reported 7 US WIA and not 6 as previously stated (6) 1110 hours, Co B/1-46 Inf reported that they have 12 NVA KIA (7) 1115 hours, Co B/1-46 Inf are still receiving incoming 82mm from grid AT 949266; artillery was cranked up and fired from IZ West.	S M Bde	MW
				S2 (Received by SP4 Boguard)	
20.	1145		(C) Bde S2 to S2: Sky Spot: (1) OD10-AT 899297	S M	MW

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20.	(Continued)		(C) (2) OD11-AT 903299 (3) OD12-AT 906291 (4) OD13-AT 910300 (5) OD14-AT 911293 (6) OD15-AT 915302 (7) OD16-AT 910284 (8) OD17-AT 918288 (9) OD18-AT 921297 (10) OD19-AT 924291 (11) OD20-AT 928301 (12) OD21-AT 935294.		
21.	1150		(C) CO B Co/1-46 Inf: (1) At 1135 hours, Rattler 11 extracted the 7 US WIA to IZ West; medevac will pick up the 7 personnel at IZ West (Refer to entry 19) (2) 1140 hours, medevac was called for the 7 US WIA at IZ West (3) 1150 hours, medevac was complete.	S Bde	MW
22.	1215		(U) CO B Co/4-31 Inf: First lift of 1-46 Inf is complete to IZ Siberia; first load of Co B/4-31 Inf is complete at Hill 118.	S	MW
23.	1215		(U) FAC (Helix 16): Helix 11 is being relieved.	S	MW
24.	1230		(C) Bde S2 to S2: Intelligence Report: URS reports that there are unknown size enemy forces at (1) AT 913155 at a radius of 750 meters (2) AT 930130 at a radius of 1000 meters.	S M	MW
25.	1235		(U) CO B Co/4-31 Inf: Airlift is complete (Refer to entry 22).	S	MW
26.	1240		(C) 3-5 ARVNs: CP location at AT 995205; companies location at BT 026204 and BT 026205.	S M	MW
27.	1240		(U) CO D Co/1-46 Inf: Element + Co B/1-46 Inf are in contact.	S	MW
28.	1245		(U) CO B Co/2-1 Inf: Receiving incoming mortar fire.	S	MW
29.	1255		(C) CO D Co/4-31 Inf: Location at BT 002234.	S M	MW
30.		1305	(C) S2 to Bde S2: (1) At 1245 hours, Co B/1-46 Inf received small arms fire from the West (2) 1246 hours, Co B/2-1 Inf received incoming 82mm fire, and the direction is unknown at this time (3) 1254 hours, Co B/1-46 Inf received incoming 82mm mortar fire with direction unknown; the NVA is surrounding 1 of the elements of this unit resulting in 1 US WIA and 3 US heat casualties.	S M Bde	MW
31.	1400		(C) All elements: Co B/2-1 Inf location at AT 945269; Co B/1-46 Inf location at AT 945269; Co D/1-46 Inf location at AT 945265; Co B/4-31 Inf location at AT 932266; Co C/4-31 Inf location at AT 932266.	S M Bde	MW
32.	1400		(C) Co D/1-46 Inf: Request medevac for 1 heat.	S M	MW

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32.	(Continued)		(C) casualty (urgent), location at AT 945265; Medevac is on its way with BTA at 10 minutes (#607).		
33.	1430		(U) CO D Co/1-46 Inf: Medevac is complete (Refer to entry 32).	S	MW
34.	1430		(C) FAC (Helix 17): Entered FCA for Air Strike at AT 968204.	S M	MW
35.	1430		(U) Gen Clement arrived LZ West.	S	MW
36.	1445		(U) Gen Simpson arrived LZ West.	S	MW
37.		1450	(C) S2 to Bde S2: At 1430 hours, medevac ship #607 extracted 1 US WIA and 3 heat casualties; Firebird 99 and 96 along with the medevac ship received fire from approximate location AT 945263 with neg hits; Firebird 99 and 96 were covering the medevac (the US personnel extracted were from Co D/1-46 Inf).	S M Bde	MW
38.	1530		(U) CO B Co/1-46 Inf: Request medevac for 2 US litter and 2 ambulatory with frag and gunshot wounds; Medevac ship #607 reported on its way.	S	MW
39.	1530		(U) SP4 Earl Eickelberger (EE) relieved SP4 Michael Wilson as RTO.		EE
40.	1553		(U) FAC (Helix 17): Departed FCA off station.	S	EE
41.	1600		(U) CO B Co/1-46 Inf: Medevac is complete (Refer to entry 38).	S	EE
42.		1600	(C) S2 to Bde S2: (1) 1500 hours, Co C/4-31 Inf received small arms fire from location AT 932265 from some snipers (2) 1506 hours, Co B/1-46 Inf received 4 US WIA and took them back to the LZ at Co C/4-31 Inf's location for extraction (3) 1530 hours, MAJ Lee reports that all through the area where the companies are working today there are snipers, spider holes, trenches and bunkers - and that it will be a slow process to get them out (4) 1530 hours, Co C/4-31 Inf received fire from snipers (approximately 2 snipers) from 1500H-1515H (5) 1530 hours, Co D/1-46 Inf ran into heavy contact to their front while moving East approximately at AT 950267 (6) 1540 hours, fighters supporting the 2-7 Marines were receiving alot of AK fire while working on their bombing runs (7) 1542 hours, Co D/1-46 Inf reported 1 US WIA and 1 heat casualty (8) 1542 hours, Co D/1-46 Inf reported finding a command detonated booby-trap and killed 1 NVA before he could set it off.	S M Bde	EE

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42.	(Continued)		(C) location at AT 950267.					
43.	1745		(U) CO D Co/4-31 Inf: Element on LZ West.	S M	EE			
44.	1750		(U) SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) relieved SP4 Earl Eickelberger as RTO.		RJ			
45.	1811		(U) FAC (Helix 15): Departed FCA.	S	RJ			
46.	1845		(U) CO B Co/4-31 Inf: Element moving at this time.	S	RJ			
47.	1900		(C) Bde S2 to S2: Infra-Red Mission #4-74; Tgt: ID 0216 AR; area: box from BT 0013 to BT 0513 to BT 0503 to BT 0003; Time Frame: 260400H-260430H Aug 69; this was passed on to Red Leg.	S M	RJ			
48.		1945	(C) S2 to Bde S2: (1) 1600 hours, mortar position received AK fire from the West (2) 1605 hours, med-S2 (Received evac was complete extracting 3 US WIA (3) 1606 hours, by SP4 Co D/1-46 Inf received 1 US WIA at this time (4) 1645 hours, Co D/1-46 Inf reported 6 US WIA at this time; mortars were probably receiving fire from a few VC who wanted to stop our mortars from firing (5) 1653 hours, Co D/1-46 Inf received mortar rounds from the NW and small arms fire from the SW (6) 1740 hours, Co D/1-46 Inf reported 14 WIA and a waiting medevac at AT 945269 (7) 1755 hours, Firebird 98 reported on station receiving fire from West end of Hill 118 (at the base of the hill); also mortars on Hill 118 were receiving some small arms fire (8) 1805 hours, medevac ships 607 and 614 completed the extraction of 14 US WIA from Co D/1-46 Inf; both ships received alot of fire from all directions at LZ AT 945269 but there were neg hits (9) 1805 hours, Firebird 98 accidentally shot some of our own people while covering the medevac (10) 1915 hours, medevac ship #607 completed the extraction of 4 US WIA (11) 1920 hours, Co D/1-46 Inf engaged and killed 1 NVA in a green uniform at NDP AT 945264.	S M Bde	RJ			
49.	2050		(C) Bde S2 to S2: Intelligence Report: URS reports that there is a Div size enemy force at BT 072132 at a radius of 500 meters; also AT 949095 at a radius of 500 meters.	S M	RJ			
50.	2050	DELAYED REPORT	(C) CO C Co/4-31 Inf: At 241430H Aug 69 AT 921269, detained 2 females and 2 children dressed in black PJ's and shorts; they will be taken to LZ West for	S M Bde	RJ			

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(C) interrogation; Kit Carson said that they knew more than what they had told him-----Readout: Name: Cao-Thi-Huong, age 38, from An Tay #4 hamlet, Son Tay Village, said that she saw 70 NVA at 240600H Aug 69 in VO XA #1 Hamlet area when she went to buy some salt; the NVA had 2 mortars and several RPG's besides individual weapons.

51.

2300

(C) CO E Co (1LT Brandon): Line Nine Report: 1-9, 2-2, 3-7, 4-29, 5-158, 6-187, 7-15, 8-2, 9-110.

S Bde

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2320

(C) S2 to Bde S2: (1) Co B/2-1 Inf reported they had 25 NVA KIA, captured 3 AK-47's, documents captured, 1 AK-50 captured, destroyed 20 bunkers size 6 X 6 with overhead covers; also reported 17 US WIA (8 were treated and remained in the field) and 3 heat casualty figures evacuated and 1 US KIA (these casualty figures are for 24 and 25 Aug 69); weapons SNs are: 1 AK-50 (SN 101), 1 AK-47 (SN 11081764 with the other SNs of the AK's unknown) (2) Co B/1-46 Inf reported killing 30 NVA, 2 US M-16 rifles recaptured (SNs 1008347+972593), 1 SKS (SN 66888), 1 AK-50 (SN 611), 2 AK-47s (SNs 11078265+12064429), destroyed 17 bunkers, and 12 US personnel were wounded (2 were treated and remained in the field) (3) Co D/1-46 Inf reported killing 19 NVA, destroyed 7X5 5 bunkers and 8 huts, 20 US WIA (7 treated and remained in the field), and 4 heat casualties evacuated; TOTAL: 74 NVA KIA, 10 weapons captured, and 42 bunkers destroyed (4) At 1755 hours, contact was broken.

S M Bde

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S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).

53.

2340

(C) Bde S2 to S2: Marine Aerial Observer observed 2 X 50 cal positions protected by 5 light machine-guns at AT 939273.

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Notified Marine LNO and MAJ Lee.

54.

2400

(C) Summary: (Refer to entry 52).

55.

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(U) Journal closed by SP4 Rodger Johnson RTO.

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0155	3-5 Advisor	AT 980710 AT 980800	VC in open	ARVN	6 HE
0125	Rattler 28	AT 963227	Sw in location	Mortars West	110 D.I.
0125	Mr. Wilondek	AT 975775	Sw in location	"	DMF
0145	24 Hours Until Maintenance			155's West	6 T.I.
0730	Tail Number 522	AT 10142915	Sw		1 AMK
0745	00 Co B/21 Inf	AT 94232733	Mortar location		1 HE
0800	"	AT 94232733	"	105's Siberia	6 HE
0808					31 HE
0853		AT 960282		155's West	1 WP 11 HE
0915		AT 033241		155's West	18 HE
0930		AT 960376	Confirmed in location	155's West	1 HE
0930		AT 981270	WA Loc	Mortars & 111	SWIRE-
0940	Marines	AT 953270	Prep	Mortars West	17 HE
1005	3-5 Advisor	AT 980201		ARVN	17
1055		AT 079248	Contact	155's West	4 HE
1120	00 Co D/1-46 Inf	AT 949268	Confirmed in location	105's Siberia	60 HE
1225	Marines	AT 960285	Prep	155's West	-
1300	00 Co B/21 Inf	AT 943749	Contact	105's Siberia	76 HE
1300	Marines	AT 960275	Prep	155's West	1 AMK
1310	3-5 ARVN	AT 981201	Incoming Mortars	ARVN	17 HE
1315	Marines	AT 958080	Contact	Mortars West	3 HE 3 WP
1330	3-5 Advisor	AT 981201	Incoming Mortars	ARVN	12 HE
1400	"	AT 981201	"	ARVN	10 HE
1430	Marines	AT 981201	"	155's West	28 HE 61 WP

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(U) Journal opened by SPl Rodger Johnson (RJ) RTO.

2.

0400

(C) S3 (MAJ Lee) to Bde S3: Activities for 26 Aug 69 are as follows: B Co/4-31 Inf will move on order S3

through B Co/2-1 Inf, B Co/1-46 Inf, and C Co/4-31

Inf to secure Obj nine AT 944265 to continue attack

on order to secure Obj ten AT 946268, link up with

Marines on the right flank at AT 950268 by direct

coordination: upon reaching Obj ten, contact Parker

Pin on freq 68.45 and arrange link up by means of a

mutually agreed upon W/P rounds fired at AT 950268;

Be prepared to continue attack on order. D Co/1-46

Inf will continue to hold until link with B Co/4-31

or Lima 11; follow B Co/4-31 Inf to Obj ten; assist

in link up with the Marines; Be prepared to establish

an IZ at TBA place for the receiving of resupply and

medevacs; coordinating instructions: all elements

attempt to maintain visual contact with elements on

your right and left flank; NOTE: Be advised that

at AT 938273 there are 2 50 cal machine guns surr-

ounded by 5 light machine guns; this emplacement

was spotted by aircraft; all available airstrikes

and artillery will be planned on this target in

addition to all elements walking artillery in front

of them as they attack; FRAG ORDER: B Co/2-1 Inf

will continue to secure IZ at AT 935266 on order

and attack to secure Obj one AT 936268; continue to

attack on order to secure Obj two AT 936272; be

prepared to continue the attack on order. B Co/1-46

will move on order to secure Obj three AT 938265;

continue attack on order to secure Obj four AT 938-

268; continue attack on order to secure Obj five AT

939273; be prepared to continue attack on order.

C Co/4-31 Inf will move on order through B Co/2-1 Inf

and B Co/1-46 Inf to secure Obj six AT 942265; con

tinue attack on order to secure Obj seven AT 944270;

continue attack on order to secure Obj eight AT 942

273; be prepared to continue attack.

3.

0500

(C) 2/7 Marines: At 0430 hrs, LT Williams and his

RTO were wounded by incoming MM rounds at Marine NDPS2

AT 961270; received approximately 24 82mm rounds; 1

PRC 77 belonging to 4-31 Inf was hit and damaged

(extent of damage is unknown).

4.

0715

(U) SPl Michael Wilson relieved SPl Rodger Johnson

as RTO.

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5.	0720		(U) Forward Air Control (FAC) Helix 16; Entered FCA. S		MW
6.	0830		(U) CO B Co/1-46 Inf; Moving at this time.	S	MW
7.	0835		(C) FAC (Helix 16): At 0835 hrs AT 938277, 12 500 lb bombs and 6 Napalms were expended, with BDA of 100/100, resulting in 1 secondary explosion and 2 structures destroyed.	S M Bde	MW
8.	0840		(C) Bde Artillery to S3: Request clearance for air strike at AT 894166.	S M	MW
9.	0845		(C) 3-5 ARVMS: CP location at BT 008197; companies location at AT 995206 and BT 027196; plats location at BT 014194 and BT 018200.	S M	MW
10.	0850		(C) FAC (Helix 16): At 0850 hrs AT 939273, 12 500 lb bombs with .025 delay were expended, with BDA 80/100, resulting in 2 bunkers-trenches-one structure destroyed.	S M	MW
11.	0905		(C) FAC Helix 16: At 0905 hrs AT 882285, 4 500 lb bombs were expended along with 4 Napalms, with BDA 100/70, resulting in structure destroyed.	S M	MW
12.	0910		(C) FAC (Helix 16): At 0900 hrs Helix 16's fighters received AK fire while making their bombing runs; fire was coming from vic AT 937274.	S M	MW
13.	0910		(C) 3-5 ARVMS: Plat locations at BT 025205 and BT 026193.	S M	MW
14.	0920		(U) B Co/1-46 CO: Element is in position.	S M	MW
15.	0920		(U) CO B Co/4-31 Inf: Element is moving at this time.	S	MW
16.	0925		(U) CO Co C/4-31 Inf: Element is moving at this time.	S	MW
17.	0930		(U) CO Co C/4-31 Inf: Received sniper fire.	S	MW
18.	0930		(U) CO Co B/4-31 Inf: Element is moving.	S	MW
19.	0950		(U) CO Co C/4-31 Inf: Receiving incoming mortar fire.	S	MW
20.	0955		(U) FAC Helix 16: Departed FCA.	S	MW
21.	1015		(U) Buzzsaw 20: Entered FCA on Aerial Personnel	S	MW

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21.	(Continued)		(U) Detector Mission.					S	
22.	1015		(U) FAC (Helix 14): Entered FCA.					S	MW
23.	1030		(U) CO B Co/4-31 Inf: Element has linked up with Co D/1-46 Inf.					S	MW
24.	1040		(U) CO B Co/2-1 Inf: Element is receiving mortar fire.					S	MW
25.		1145	(C) S2 (CPT Akiona) to Bde S2: (1) At 0945 hrs, Co C/4-31 Inf received M-79 fire. (2) 0950 Co C/4-31 Inf received incoming mortar fire and are pinned down; artillery was called and fired from LZ Siberia with results unknown at this time. (3) At 1030 hrs Co C/4-31 Inf received sniper and M-79 fire resulting in 2 US WIA and 2 US KIA. (4) 1035 hrs, Helix 14 and Firebird 92 reported on station. (5) 1100 hrs, Blue Ghost White reported on station. (6) 1110 hrs Co B/2-1 Inf reported 2 heat casualties and 1 US WIA; urgent medevac is requested; Rattler 19 will pickup and extract them to LZ West. (7) 1135 hrs, Rattler 19 has completed extraction of the casualties from Co B/2-1 Inf.					S M Bde	MW
26.	1145		(U) Blue Ghost 26: Entered FCA.					S	MW
27.	1245		(C) CO Co C/4-31 Inf: Medevac requested for 6 US WIA (urgent); location at AT 934263.					S M	MW
28.	1255		(U) CO Co C/4-31 Inf: Medevac is complete.					S	MW
29.	1300		(U) Blue Ghost White: Relieved Blue Ghost 26 on station.					S	MW
30.	1330		(U) FAC (Helix 15): Entered FCA on station.					S	MW
31.	1330		(U) SP4 Earl Eickelberger relieved SP4 Michael Wilson as RTO.						EE
32.	134	1340	(C) S2 to Bde S2: (1) At 1145 hrs, Blue Ghost 26 reported on station (2) At 1150 hrs, Blue Ghost White broke station (3) At 1150 hrs, Co C/4-31 Inf reported 1 heat casualty and 5 US KIA (4) At 1157 hrs, Blue Ghost 26 received AK fire with negative hits. (5) At 1205 hrs, Muskett 30 reported on station (6) At 1225 hrs, Muskett 30 received ground fire of unknown amount from 2 51 cal positions with negative hits (7) At 1235 hrs, Muskett 30 broke station for fuel (8) At 1240 hrs, Blue Ghost 26 broke station for more ammunition (9) At 1240 hrs, Co C/					S M Bde	EE

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32.	(Continued)		(C) 4-31 Inf requested medevac in grid AT 934263 to extract 6 casualties (10) At 1255 hrs, medevac was completed (11) At 1245 hrs, Blue Ghost White reported on station and engaging a lot of NVA running resulting in 1 secondary blast.				
33.	1405		(U) FAC (Helix 02) : Entered FCA.	S	EE		
34.		1410	(C) S2 to Bde S2: (1) At 1400 hrs, 105's from LZ Siberia hit 1 mortar tube at AT 947275; this was observed by Aerial Observer; casualties for today at this time are as follows: C Co/4-31 Inf 6 MIA, 6 WIA, 3 shock cases, and 4 heat casualties (6 WIA were evacuated and 3 shock and 4 heat casualties were taken to LZ West; Co B/4-31 Inf had 1 US KIA and 4 US WIA.	S MBde	EE		
35.	1500		(C) C Co B/4-31 Inf: B Co/4-31 Inf's WIAS and KIAs ready for extraction at grid AT 944264.	S M	EE		
36.		1520	(U) S3 Air (CPT Whittecar) to Charger Dustoff: Request medevac for 4 US ambulatory and 1 urgent US with fractured skull.	S Med-	EE		
37.	1530				evac ship #607 is on its way; ETA 10/15 min.		
		1530	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Request Sky Spots in the following grids: (1) OD4-AT 911274 (2) OD5-AT 912278 (3) OD6-AT 915276 (4) OD7-AT 917272 (5) OD8-AT 918282 (6) OD9-AT 918286 (7) OD10-AT 925289 (8) OD11-AT 925286 (9) OD12-AT 924282 (10) OD13-AT 921277 (11) OD14-AT 924278 (12) OD15-AT 928276 (13) OD16-AT 930289 (14) OD17-AT 930284 (15) OD18-AT 939289 (16) OD19-AT 937286 (17) OD20-AT 933280 (18) OD21-AT 938281 (19) OD22-AT 939277 (20) OD23-AT 925274 (21) OD24-AT 922273 (22) OD25-AT 930273 (23) OD26-AT 933275 (24) OD27-AT 937273.	S MBde	EE		
38.		1530	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Preplan airstrikes are as follows: (1) AT 931269 (2) AT 934268 (3) AT 938268 (4) AT 932265 (5) AT 936265 (6) AT 934263 (7) AT 938263 (8) AT 933273 (9) AT 938272 (10) AT 942272 (11) AT 942268 (12) AT 942265 (13) AT 943263 (14) AT 941274 (15) AT 942277.	S MBde	EE		
39.	1530		(C) Bde S2 to S2: URS reports Div. size enemy force at AT 951174 at a radius of 300 meters; also AT 942183 at a radius of 900 meters; also AT 972203	S M	EE		

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39.	(Continued)		(C) at a radius of 1300 meters.	Div. arty will			
40.		1533	(C) S2 to Bde S2: (1) At 1310 hrs, Co B/4-31 Inf received incoming mortar rounds, and Blue Ghost White is assisting; results are 4 US WIA and 1 US KIA (2) At 1315 hrs, Co D/1-46 Inf received incoming mortars. (3) At 1320 hrs, Blue Ghost White broke station with team (4) At 1325 hrs, Co B/4-31 Inf sent in mortar locations and 51 cal positions at AT 942272 and AT 944265 respectively; artillery and mortars from CP fired (5) At 1350 hrs, mortars on Hill 118 fired a section 2x2 followed by 3 X 3 on AT 942272 (6) At 1415 hrs, C Co/4-31 Inf requested urgent medevac for 3 shock cases and 4 heat casualties (7) At 1420 hrs, C Co/4-31 Inf reported 5 US KIA, 1 MIA, 4 US WIA, and 1 Kit Carson WIA as results of today's action (8) At 1440 hrs, C Co/4-31 Inf reported that the heat casualties and shock cases were taken to LZ West by the R/S bird for treatment.	S M Bde EE			
41.		1545	(C) S2 to Bde S2: Request that an APD Mission be flown in the following area: from AT 9326 East to AT 9726 South to AT 9720 West to AT 9320 North to AT 9326; Time Frame: 270600H-270700H Aug 69; also request fire for fire and enter the command net.	S M Bde EE			
42.		1545	(C) S2 to Bde S2: Request that a Red Haze Mission be flown in the following area: from AT 8227 NE to AT 9031 S to AT 9026 SW to AT 8623 E of the Blue to NAT 8227; Time on Target: 272000H Aug 69; enter command net upon entry.	S M Bde EE			
43.		1625	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Activities for 27 Aug 69 are as follows: Co B/1-46 will move to Hill 118 vic of AT 921259; help in security of perimeter and mortars. Co B/2-1 Inf will move to vic of AT 926266 and set up local security Co-laager with Co C/4-31 Inf. Co C/4-31 Inf will move to vic of AT 926266 and set up local security; Co Laager will be with Co B/2-1 Inf. Co D/1-46 Inf will have 1 plat remain at OP vic AT 933243; Co D (-) will move to vic of AT 934255 and set up local security. Co B/4-31 Inf will move to the vic of AT 938258 and set up local security. All elements will conduct close in security sweeps around their laager position; upon completion	S M Bde EE			

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58.	(Continued)		(C) gunships to move Co C/4-31 Inf from a field location vic AT 926266 to LZ West and Co D/4-31 Inf from LZ West to a field location vic AT 926266; Co A/4-31 Inf from a field location vic BT 004225 to a field location vic AT 926266 and Co C/2-1 Inf from a field location BT 004225 to LZ West; Time: 26-0700H Aug 69; lifts: 4; sorties: 48; total packs: 288; Co C/4-31 Inf (61), Co D/4-31 Inf (70), Co A/4-31 Inf (77), Co C/2-1 Inf (80); freq: 36.55.		
59.		2015	(C) S2 to Bde S2: Co C/4-31 Inf had 5 NVA KIA for today at AT 942264.	S M Bde, RJ	
				S2 (Received by SP4 Reese).	
60.	2140		(C) CO D Co/4-31 Inf: Bunker 27 reported that 10 rounds of 82mm mortars landed 300 meters to their front; CMR picked up the enemy mortar position at AT 98392243; 155's from LZ West engaged on the grid; there were neg casualties or damage on LZ West.	S M Bde, RJ	
				S2 (Received by SP4 Reese).	
61.	2400		(C) Summary: Co A/4-31 Inf conducted local patrols resulting in neg findings. Co B/4-31 Inf conducted local patrols resulting in 1 US KIA and 4 US WIA. Co C/4-31 Inf conducted local patrols resulting in 5 NVA KIA, 6 US MIA, 6 US WIA, 1 KC WIA, 3 shock and 4 heat cases, and the loss of 1 PRC-25 radio with accessories. Co D continued to secure LZ West and provided local security. Recon Plat conducted local patrols with neg results.		
62.	2400		(C) Bde S2 to S2: Document Readout (Refer to entry 52 on 25 Aug 69): Documents captured from the dead NVA reveals that he was Tran Thanh Buoi, the CO of the 2d Co, 90th Bn, 1 MF Regiment, 2d NVA Div; he was killed on 24 Aug 69 at AT 944268: ---S2-Commitment of the 1 MF Regiment in this area confirms the fact that we are fighting 2 Regimental size units (3d Regiment and 1 MF Regiment) of the 2d NVA Div; further it is believed that the GK31 is also operating in the area North of LZ West; the strength of the 3d Regiment and the 1 MF Regiment is approximately 850-1000 and 1000-1200 respectively; the strength of the GK31 is about 250; if this is so, I place the 3d Regiment HQ South of LZ West in the vic BT 0120 and the 1st MF Regiment at vic AT 9928; elements of		
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(C) the 1st MF Regiment could be in the Northern position of our FCA on the Hill 441 complex to the Southern foot hills of Nui Chom; the 3d Regiment elements could be placed perhaps 1 Bn in Hill 441 complex; 1 Bn South of the Song Chang River vic AT 9522 and 1 Bn South East of LZ West perhaps vic BT 0420; the already confirmed 485 NVA KIA to this date indicates a 2 plus Bn size elements have been eliminated.

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(U) Journal closed by SP4 Rodger Johnson RTO.

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0705	0850	6	1 Hr 45 min	Siberia, Hill 118 Baldy
0905	1005	4	2 hr 45 min	IZ Ross, Marines
1015	1030	2	3 hr 00 min	Pol
1135	1250	10	4 hr 15 min	R/S Hill 118
1325	1710	12	8 hr 00 min	R/S
1710	1730	4	8 hr 20 min	Marines
1730	1810	6	9 hr 00 min	R/S Rtn to Baldy
		46	9 hr 00 min	
0805	"	AT 963280	"	155's West
1030	Co B FO	AT 950270	Contact	105's Siberia 3 WP
1130	3-5 Advisor	AT 048197	Sniper Fire	2 HE 1 WP
1300	Co B FO	AT 963272	Contact	105's Siberia Continued later
1300	Co B FO	AT 963265	"	10 HE 2 WP
1330	Marines	AT 963277	Sus Mortar Loc	1 WP 90 HE
1345	Co B FO	AT 963272h	"	155's West 107 HE
1430	Marines	AT 959265	Contact	Mortars West 1 WP 21 HE
1505	Co B FO	AT 96292738	"	105's Siberia 253 HE
1530	OC 16	AT 9023	D F's	OC 16 33 HE
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1.	0001		(U) Journal opened by SPL Rodger Johnson (RJ) as RTO.		RJ
2.		0030	(C) S2 (CPT Akiona) to Bde S2: B Co/2-1 Inf reported hearing hammering and thumping noises at AT 920 82732. There was some light at this location also. 105's from Siberia fired battery III HE. Results are unknown.	S M	RJ
3.	0700		(U) Rattler 6: Airlift of Co C/4-31 Inf to IZ West.	S	RJ
4.	0705		(U) SPL Michael Wilson (MW) relieved SPL Rodger Johnson as RTO.		MW
5.	0710		(U) CO Co D/4-31 Inf: 1st airlift of D Co/4-31 Inf completed. from IZ West to the field.	S	MW
6.	0715		(U) CO C Co/4-31 Inf (CPT Thomas) Airlift has been completed.	S	MW
7.	0720		(U) CO Co A/4-31 Inf: 1st airlift of Co A/4-31 Inf has been completed.	S	MW
8.	0725		(U) CO C Co/2-1 Inf: 1st airlift of C-2/1 Inf to IZ West has been completed.	S	MW
9.	0735		(U) CO A Co/4-31 Inf: Airlift of Co A/4-31 Inf has been completed.	S	MW
10.	0735		(C) Forward Air Control (FAC) (Helix 14) Entered FCA At grid AT 942277 12 500 lb bombs were dropped with BDA of 70/60. 2 structures were destroyed.	S M	MW
11.	0745		(U) CO C Co/2-1 Inf: Airlift of C/2-1 Inf complete.	S	MW
12.	0750		(U) CO D Co/4-31 Inf: Airlift of Co D/4-31 Inf to the field complete.	S	MW
13.	0840		(C) Bde S3: Commendation: Please extend to the officers and men of the 196th LTB my commendation for their continued vigorous and successful battle against the 1st and 3rd Regiments of the 2d NVA Div. Since 12 August, the 196th LTB has killed over 682 enemy, and the toll continues to rise. This decisive victory has completely routed the enemy. These Valorous efforts are representative of the personal courage and professional competence within the ranks of this superb infantry unit. Please extend my personal congratulations to all personnel who have contributed to the success of this operation. Signed LT. Gen. Nickerson.	S	MW
14.	0930		(C) FAC Buzzsaw 20: Entering FCA on Sniffer Mission	S	MW

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15.	1005		(C) (Helix 17) FAC: Relieved Helix 14 on station. At grid AT 933273 Helix 17 reported that 12 750 lb bombs were dropped with a BDA of 80/80. Results were 6 bunker and 4 structures destroyed. In the same grid Helix reported that 12 500 lb bombs were dropped with a BDA of 80/100 destroying 8 bunkers and 4 structures. In grid AT 932270 Helix 17 reported that 12 750 lb bombs were dropped with a BDA of 100/80 destroying 6 bunkers and 2 structures.	S M	MW		
16		1020	(C) S3 (Maj Lee) to Bde S3: Request for Sky Spot in grid AT 920282, AT 924286, AT 925283, AT 929280, AT 929285, AT 922277, AT 927277, AT 927277, AT 952275, AT 933284, AT 938282, AT 940288, AT 958252, AT 961239, and AT 965236.	S M Bde	MW		
17.	1020		(C) FAC Helix 14: Airstrike in grid AT 933273 destroyed 14 bunkers and 5 structures. Also in grid AT 932270 6 bunkers and 2 structures were destroyed.	S M Bde S2 (Received by SPl Bognard.)			
18. Bde	1045		(C) Bde Arty: Request clearance for airstrikes in grid AT 910060. Time Frame 280600H to 281800H Aug 69. Request Sky Spot in grid AT 929125. Time Frame 281800H to 290600H Aug 69.	S M Bde S3 Cleared by S3 Air (CPT Whittecar) (Received by SPl Planus).	MW		
19.	1110		(C) 3/5 ARVNS: Intel Report: 0430 27 Aug 69 at BT 035197 the 3/5 ARVNS captured 3 PRC 25 radios with the following freq. 36.65, 30.25, and 31.10. The section of 12 West will attempt to monitor transmission. Also captured was 1 AK-47 and 3 NVA KIAS. To include a letter from the 8th Recon Battalion CO to 1st NVA Regiment CO. 2 companies are to link up in this area. The 8th Recon was short of supplies.	S M Bde S2 (Received by SPl Bognard.)	EE		
20.	1115		(C) Marine LNO: POW was taken by Delta 1/7 on 251900H at AT 962306. POW was cook for 8th Transport Co, 1st Bde Regiment, 2d NVA Div. He states that the 1st and 3rd regiment are located in vicinity of grid AT 998290. Bravo 1/7 reports that 261515H indicated that the 1st VC regiment was within meters of same grid. Helicopter pilots report receiving 12.7 mm fire from same grid. 2 POWS CIA from 19th Trans Bn Div concurs with me. 2 NVA Regimental forces in that vic.	S M S2 (Received by SPl Bognard.)	MW		

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(C) 8th Transportation is not known. There is a 7th Transportation Co organic to the 1st MF Regimental. The 8th Training Co of the 1st MF Regiment is organic to the 1st MF Regiment. The 3rd Regiment should be located south of LZ West. A large body of NVA was spotted by the 3/5 ARVNS in the vic. of BT 0421. Message passed to Bde for assistance.

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(U) Buzzsaw 20: Departing FGA.

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(C) Helix 11: On station to relieve Helix 17. Helix 17 destroyed 8 bunkers and 4 structures at grid AT 933273, with 12 500 lbbombs; BDA 80/100. At grid AT 932270 Helix 17 reported 12 750 lb bombs dropped with a BDA of 100/80. 6 bunkers and 2 structures were destroyed. Helix 11 reported that 20 rockets and 2000 rounds 20mm canisters were expended.

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(C) 2/7 Marines: Reports from the 2/7 Marines. At 1200 hrs 24 Aug at AT 968280 Golf Co-2/7 reported 2 NVA KIA by small arms and 8 by Airstrikes. Captured 1 AK-47 and 1 SKS. SN unknown. 2400 hrs 25 Aug at AT 937273 Fox Co-2-7 reported 1 NVA KIA and 1 AK-47 captured. SN unknown. 1400 hrs 26 Aug at AT 963281 Golf Co-2-7 reported 2 NVA killed by Airstrikes. At the same time Hotel Co-2-7 killed 1 NVA at AT 961279. At 0730 hrs 27 Aug at AT 960266 Echo Co-2-7 killed 1 NVA. 0700 at AT 958266 Echo Co-2-7 killed 3 NVA and captured 2 AK-47s and 1 RPG. SN unknown.

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(C) CPT Williams: Sniffer Report; Max. AT927223; 105's from Siberia fired 12 HE on grid AT 920189 to AT 926189. Max. AT 936195 to 942195; 155's from West fired 3 rounds of HE on AT 937195, AT 939195, and AT 942195. AT 920182 to AT 924183; Max. AT 938150 to AT 934144; AT 938150 to AT 934144. Max. AT 913148; 105's from Siberia fired 12 HE. Max AT 902152 to AT 895151; Max AT 884142 to AT 889145. Results are unknown. Hot spots are AT 919141 and AT 955208.

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(U) SP4 Earl Eickelberger (EE) relieved SP4 Michael Wilson as RTO.

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(C) 2/7 Marines: At 1115 27 Aug in grid AT 966268 Scouts for 2/7's CP group located 1 NVA KIA by small arms fire. Dead approximately 2 days. Captured 1 AK-SPl Parks).

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26.	(Continued)		(C) 47. SN unknown, 2 Chicom grenades and 2 AK-47 magazines. Echo Co/2-7 reports at 1200 hrs 12 Aug at AT 959268 found the following: 1 RPG Launcher with all accessories 1 document and photos, 1 NVA poncho, 2 AK-47s, 3 NVA packs, 5 AK-47 magazines, 250 rounds, 4 Chicom grenades, 2 NVA helmets, 2 NVA belts, 1 NVA mask, 2 NVA canteens, 1 RPG sight, small amount of food and medicine.		
26.	1315		(U) FAC (Helix 11): Off station.		S EE
27.	1420		(C) S3 to Bde S3: Night Activities for 27 Aug 69: A Co/4-31 Inf; night laager at AT 926266. B Co/4-31 Inf; night laager at AT 938258. C Co/4-31 Inf; LZ West D Co/4-31 Inf; night laager at AT 926266; A Co/2-1 Inf; LZ West; B Co/2-1 Inf; night laager at AT 926266 Recon plat; LZ West.		S M Bde EE S3 (Received by SP4 Letourneau)
28.	1420		U) Helix 14: On station reconing area south. of LZ West.		S EE
29.	1455		(C) S3 to Bde S3: Activities for 28 Aug 69. A Co/4-31 Inf pass through D Co/4-31 Inf and cross LD, (1) AT 928270, (2) AT 935265, (3) AT 935256, AT 940253 NLT 280530H Aug to attack in zone (4) AT 935263, AT 934266, AT 945268, AT 945265, AT 935263 to secure OBJ 1, AT 937266, in conjunction and coordination with B Co/2-1 Inf attack in OBJ 2; AT 936268, be prepared to continue the attack on order to secure OBJ 5; AT 945266. B Co/2-1 Inf; pass through D Co/4-31 and cross LD NLT 280530H Aug to attack in zone; AT 933267, AT 945271, AT 945268, AT 935265, to secure OBJ 2, AT 936268 in conjunction and coordination with A Co/4-31 Inf, attack on OBJ 1, be prepared to continue attack on order to secure OBJ 3, AT 941269 and OBJ 4 AT 944269. B Co/4-31 Inf; cross LD NLT 280530H Aug to attack and secure OBJ X, AT 940261 and provide fire support for the advance of the northern companies; be prepared on order to attack and secure OBJ Y AT 944263. C Co/4-31 Inf; secure LZ West: conduct plat sweep along route C; AT 989248, AT 981248, AT 976240, AT 973237, AT 989230, AT 994226, AT 999229. BT 000236, BT 001244, AT 998248, AT 990250 beginning NLT 280600H Aug 69, Co A/2-1 Inf; will move from LZ West NLT 280600 Aug along assigned route; AT 989248, AT 981248, AT 970250, AT 966247, to conduct recon in area; AT 950250, AT 966250, AT 966233, along river to AT 950234, be prepared to reinforce B/4-31 Inf;		S M Bde EE Bde S3 (Received by PFC Ofstead).

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29.	(Continued)		(C) be prepared to exploit tactical gains by attack north to south between the FCL; AT 945279, AT 945259, and 95 north-south grid line. D Co/4-31 Inf: move to LD and secure IZ at AT 934266 NLT 280500H Aug; be prepared to support attacking companies and reinforce either A/4-31 Inf or B/2-1 Inf. Recon plat conduct reinforced regular sweep along assigned route AT 990250, BT003246, BT 009241, BT 013247, BT 006253, BT 002248, AT 995254 and assist in defense at IZ West.		
30.	1455		(C) Bde S2: Weather report: General Area: Fair to partly cloudy with a chance of afternoon thunder-shower over mountains. 3 day outlook: little change. LV: 7 mi; IC: 3000 scattered; Temp: 94 to 76 degrees RH: 2800-1800; LAS 29.67; Ar Winds: Light and variables tonight. Easterly 5-10 gusting to 20 in afternoon. Illumination: 100%	S	EE
31.	1530		(U) Helix 14: Departing FCA. Off station.	S	EE
32.	1700		(U) Helix 15: Entered FCA on station.	S	EE
33.	1730		(U) SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) relieved SP4 Earl Eickelberger as RTO.	S	RJ
34.	1740		(C) CO E Co/4-31 Inf (1LT Brandon): Line Nine report is 1-15, 2-0, 3-15, 4-57, 6-0, 7-57, 8-57, 9-0, and 10-0.	S	RJ
35.	1741		(U) Helix 15: Departing FCA to East. Off station.	S	RJ
36.	1845		(C) CO C Co/4-31 Inf: At 1830 hrs IZ WEST received 3 82mm mortar rounds. One landed 100 meters in front of bunker 24. One landed 100 meters in front of bunker 2. One landed inside the perimeter by bunker 2. Negative casualties or damage. 155's saw a mortar tube flash at AT 981223. They fired on the grid and observed 2 secondary explosions.	S M Bde	RJ
37.	1945		(C) CO Co B/2-1 Inf: Observed 8 individuals with packs moving NW at grid AT 935278 at 1910H. 105's on Siberia and mortars on Hill 118 fired on the grid. 105's fired 19 HE. Mortars fired 33 HE.	S M Bde S2	RJ
38.	2400		(C) Summary: A Co/4-31 Inf continued local patrols in assigned areas with negative results. B Co/4-31 Inf continued local patrols with negative results.	by SP4 Reese)	

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(C) C Co/4-31 Inf moved on LZ West to secure it, with sweeps and local patrols. along with Co A/2-1 Inf. Recon plat continued to help secure LZ West and reinforcement to the companies in the field. D Co/4-31 Inf moved of LZ West to conduct local patrols in assigned areas with negative results.

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(U) Journal closed by SP4 Rodger Johnson as RTO.

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1230	1300	4	Companies	3 hrs 30 min
1400	1625	3	Marines	5 hrs 55 min
1630	1655	2	Refuel	6 hrs 20 min
1725	1815	4	Milkrun Siberia	7 hrs 10 min
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1.	0001		(U) Journal opened by SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) as RTO.		RJ
2.	0500		(U) CO Co D/4-31 Inf (CPT Wineman): Moving at this time.	S	RJ
3.	0520		(C) Bde S2 to Bn S2 (CPT Akiona): Weather Report; General outlook; fair to partly cloudy, isolated showers, thunder storm in mountains. 3 day outlook shows little change. Low Vis- 7 miles, low ceiling- 2500 scattered; temp 95 to 76 degrees. Humidity- 90 to 50; BA:2900 to 1800; Low altim.- 29.70; Average wind- south, southeast 3 to 10 knots; gusting to 15 to 20 on the coast; BMNT- 290545; Sunrise 290632; Sunset 281901; EEMNT 281948; Moonrise 281945; Moonset 290705; Illumination 100%.	S M	RJ
2.	0521		(U) CO Co D/4-31 Inf: Company in location.	S	RJ
3.	0525		(U) CO Co A/4-31 Inf (CPT Mantell): At this time moving.	S	RJ
4.	0526		(U) CO Co B/4-31 Inf (CPT Gayler): At this time moving.	S	RJ
5.	0535		(U) 3/5 Marines: At this time moving.	S	RJ
6.	0540		(U) CO A Co/2-1 Inf: At this time moving.	S	RJ
7.	0547		(U) CO A Co/2-1 Inf: Lead element out of perimeter.	S	RJ
8.	0550		(U) CO Co B/4-31 Inf: At this time company has stopped.	S	RJ
9.	0600		(U) CO Co A/2-1 Inf: All elements clear of LZ West. outer perimeter.	S	RJ
10.	0630		(U) CO Co B/4-31 Inf: Company at this time moving.	S	RJ
11.	0640		(U) CO Co A/4-31 Inf: At this time company crossing lima delta.	S	RJ
12.	0703		(U) SP4 Michael Wilson relieved (MW) SP4 Rodger Johnson as RTO.	S	MW
13.	0710		(C) Forward Air Control (FAC) Helix 17: Entering FCA, given divert AT 937148.	S M	MW
14.	0725		(C) CO Co B/4-31 Inf: Now at OBJ 8, grid AT 940260, and is moving to OBJ 3.	S M	MW
15.	0725		(C) 2/7 Marines: Request clearance for artillery in grid AT 9528.	S M	MW
16.	0750		(C) CO Co A/4-31 Inf: Has reached OBJ 1, grid AT938266.	S M MW	

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17.	0805	(C) FAC Helix 17: 56 500 lb bombs were expended with a neg BDA, at grid AT 937148.	S M MW
18.	0815	(C) CO Co B/4-31 Inf: Location at this time is AT 944263.	S M MW
19.	0820	(C) CO Co B/2-1 Inf: Located at this time at grid AT 936268, OBJ 1.	S M MW
20.	0825	(C) CO Co D/4-31 Inf: At this time located at AT 938266.	S M MW
21.	0830	(C) FAC Helix 17: Given divert target at AT 950197.	S M MW
22.	0835	(C) 2/7 Marines: Now have element at the link up point AT 950268.	S M MW
23.	0845	(C) CO Co B/2-1 Inf: In contact, receiving mortar and small arms fire.	S M MW
24.	0850	(C) CO Co A/2-1 Inf: Now located at AT 972244.	S M MW
25.	0900	(C) CO Co A/4-31 Inf: Located at AT 945267, OBJ 5.	S M MW
26.	0905	(C) FAC Helix 17: At grid AT 950197 20 500 lb bombs were expended destroying 3 structures. Negative BDA.	S M MW
27.	0905	(C) CO B Co/2-1 Inf: Now at OBJ 3, AT 940269.	S M MW
28.	0910	(C) CO Co B/4-31 Inf: At 0835 AT 944262 found 1 US steel pot, 2 US bodies and 1 M-16 rifle. The 2 US bodies believed to be from C/4-31. At 0840 in grid AT 944262 received sniper fire from the east. Engaged with M-79 and M-60 fire. Results unknown. At 0845 in the same grid received small arms and M-79 fire in from approximately 2 snipers.	S M Bde MW S2 (Received by SPl Bognard)
29.	0910	(U) Gen. Ramsey now at LZ West.	S MW
30.	0910	(C) FAC Helix 17: 0908 at AT 950197 expended 56 500 lb bombs destroying 3 structures.	S M MW
31.	0927	(C) CO Co A/4-31 Inf: 0927 at AT 945267 found 1 grave large enough to bury 3 to 5 bodies. Dug up and found 1 NVA body. Also found and destroyed 1 large notch. Body looked as if had been dead for 3 days.	S M Bde MW S2 (Received by SPl Bognard)
32.	0927	(C) CO Co B/4-31 Inf: At AT 944263 found 1 rucksack with 1 PRC 25 radio believed to be from D-1/46 also recovered 5 M-16s and 1 M-60. Also have 1 US WIA and 1 KIA.	S M Bde MW S2 (Received by SPl Bognard)
33.	0935	(U) FAC Helix 17: Departing station.	S MW
34.	0950	(C) CO Co B/1-46 Inf: 1 plat blocking location at AT	S M MW

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34.	(Continued)		(C) 922247 blocking the location.	S	MW
35.	0955		(U) Gen Ramsey departs IZ West.	S	MW
36.	1000		(C) S3 (Maj Lee) to Bde S3: Preplanned airstrikes in the following grids AT 886044, AT 897151, AT 811185.	S M Bde	MW
37.	1005	1005	(C) CO Co A/2-1 Inf: Located at AT 969243.	S M	MW
38.	1025		(C) CO B/2-1 Inf: Now at OBJ 4, AT 945269.	S M	MW
39.	1025		(C) Bde Artillery to S3: Clearance for airstrikes as follows: (1) ZC 146002, (2) ZB 172990, (3) AT 910060 Time Frame 290600 to 291900 Aug 69. V.N.A.F request airstrikes at AT 953206; Time Frame 290600 to 291900 Aug 69. Sky Spot: AT ZB 155990 Time Frame 281800 to 290600 Aug 69.	S M Bde	MW
40.	1030		(C) Change of Plans: Instead of B/4-31, A/-4/31 will link up with Marines.	S	MW
41.	1030		(C) Bde S2 to S2: 1010 hrs Bde S2 informed S2 4/31 that POW of 277 Marines captured at AT 962308 on 190025 Aug was a master sgt in charge of all the cooks of the 1st MF Regiment, 2d MVA Div.	S	MW
42.	1045		(C) CO Co D/4-31 Inf: Located at grid AT 942268.	S M	MW
43.	1155		(C) CO Co A/2-1 Inf: Located at AT 970240.	S M	MW
44.	1200		(U) SP4 Earl Eickelberger (EE) relieved SP4 Michael Wilson as RFO.		EE
45.	1225		(U) FAC (Helix 16): Entered FCA. On station.	S	EE
46.	1230		(C) CO Co B/4-31 Inf: Request dustoff for 3 ambulatory C/C picked them up at 1240 hrs and took them to Bally.	S	EE
47.	1235		(C) 105's Siberia: Request dustoff for 1 litter with frags wounds in back from and incoming mortar. C/C picked up when extracting the ambulatory from B/4-31.	S M	EE
			(C) CO Co B/4-31 Inf: Request dustoff for 2 urgent heat casualties and 4 ambulatory frag wounds. Dust-off ship 607. ETA 10 to 15 minutes in addition to 1230 hrs.		
48.	1240		(C) CO Co B/4-31 Inf: At 1030 1 MVA in the east has machinegun. 1115 request for more LAWs and hand frags. 1140 receiving incoming M-79 rounds. 1228 request	S M Bde	EE

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48.	(Continued)		(C) urgent dustoff for 3 ambulatory patients and possible others. C/C ship to evacuate after drop off ammunition. All WTAS went directly to Baldy.		
49.	1300		1235 IZ Siberia reports 1 incoming round. Type unk. (U) LT Williams: Marines linked up with A/4-31 Inf.		
50.	1320		(U) CO Co B/4-31 Inf: Dustoff complete.	S	EE
51.	1345		(U) CO Co A/2-1 Inf: At this time moving.	S	EE
52.	1345		(C) FAC Helix 16: At grid AT 885035 22 500 lb bombs were extended destroying 3 structures and 1 food drying area. Negative BDA.	S M	EE
53.	1400		(U) FAC Helix 11: Entered FCA on station, Helix 17 departed FCA off station.	S	EE
54.	1400		(C) Bde Artillery: Grid Clearance; Marines request clearance for Artillery in grids AT 945295, AT 945315, AT 965295, AT 965315. Time Frame ASAP to 281800H Aug 69.	S M Bde	EE
55.	1400		(C) Helix 11: 22 500 lb bombs were extended destroying 1 large bunker, 2 small bunkers, and 3 pack animals. Negative BDA. Grid AT 880035.	S M	EE
56.	1440		(U) FAC Helix 11: Departing the FCA to the east.	S	EE
57.		1440	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Sky Spots: AT 900152, AT 887143, AT 925183, AT 940197, AT 958209, AT 911147, AT 919143.	S M Bde	EE
58.	1505		(C) CO Co A/2-1 Inf: Request 3 heat casualties be extracted from AT 965245.	S M	EE
59.		1505	(C) S2 to Bde S2: At 1245 C/C (Rattler 28) evacuated 5 WTAS from B/4-31 Inf and 1 WIA from 105's Siberia and 1 heat casualty from IZ West. 1320 dustoff 607 evacuated 1 WIA, 2 heat casualties and 1 heat stroke from AT 936256. Took negative fire. The Marines 3/4 captured 2 12.7mm anti-aircraft guns. 1 on the morning of 28 Aug and 1 in the afternoon at about 1300. Locations AT 952275 and AT 950265.	S M Bde	EE
60.	1553		(C) Bde S2 to S2: Weather Report; General area, fair to partly cloudy, isolated rain and thunder shower over mountains. 3 day outlook shows little change. Low Vision - 7 miles, Low Sealing - 3000 scattered. Temp 95 to 76 degrees. Humidity 90 to 50 degrees.	S	EE

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61.	(Continued)		(C) BA: 2900 to 1800; Average winds S to SE 10 knots gusting to 18 along coast in afternoon. IAS: 29.70. Illumination 100%		
62.	1603		(C) Bde S2 to S2: URS; in grid AT 965161/1000 Div. size enemy force. 105's from Siberia fired 16 rounds of HE. Results unknown.	S M Bde	EE
63.	1634		(C) Bde S3: Activities for 29 Aug 69. A Co/2-1 sweep to the rear of B Co/4-31 and then to the NE to secure OBJ 2; hold and wait for further orders. A Co/4-31; move along route AT 949268, AT 940270, to secure OBJ 3 AT 939273 and on orders move to secure OBJ 6; AT 937278; hold on FCL in a attack originated N from OBJ 6 until further orders; B Co/4-31; move to area A1; AT 944264, AT 946267, AT 952265, along road to AT 946263 and AT 944264 and conduct a detailed search and destroy operation. B Co/2-1; move to and secure OBJ 5; AT 941278 and attack to the N and E from OBJ 5 until further orders. C Co/4-31; continues to secure IZ West; conduct plat size detailed search and clear assignments. In grid square AT 9825 area D and along route C; AT 991251 AT 994250, BT 005253, BT 000259 and AT 992252. D Co/4-31; move to and secure OBJ 4; AT 935275 and continue to secure OBJ 7; AT 934279, attack to the N upon reaching OBJ 7. Recon plat; conduct local security and construction on IZ West.	S M Bde	EE
64.	1640		(C) S3 to Bde S3: Night Activities for 28 Aug; A/4-31 night laager AT 948255, local security. B-2/1 night laager AT 945269, local security; A/4-31 night laager AT 951267, local security; B/4-31 night laager AT 942261, local security; C/4-31 night laager IZ West, local security; D/4-13 night laager AT 934266, local security; Recon plat IZ West, local security; Element of E Co/4-31 night laager AT 920259 secured by B/1-46.	S M Bde	EE
65.	1920		(C) S2 to Bde S2: 1855 IZ West received 7 incoming rounds landing outside of the wire in front of bunker 30 at about 150 meters. 1 round fell in front of bunker 27 about 100 meters outside of the wire. Direction of incoming is SW of IZ West AT 981220. 155's spotted flare.	S M Bde	EE
66.	1810		(C) CO E Co/4-31 Inf; Line Nine report is 1-13, 2-3, 155's spotted flare.	S M Bde	EE

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0725	0855	6	1 hrs 30 min	R/S and POL
0925	1010	4	2 hrs 15 min	R/S and Pax to Marines
1130	1150	2	2 hrs 35 min	LTC to Karen
1230	1330	5	3 hrs 35 min	Baldy, Karen
1330	1345	4	3 hrs 50 min	Siberia
1455	1510	2	4 hrs 05 min	B co Pax with heat exhaustion
1520	1715	2	6 hrs 40 min	A/2-1
1715	1815	3	7 hrs 40 min	Center Marines
1815	1915	6	8 hrs 40 min	Pax shuttle rtn to Baldy and Chu Lai
		34	8 hrs 50 min	

0730 Horizon's West (12F Brandon) AT 980204

0900 " AT 980275 SWA Description 155's West 17 HS

0930 OC 16 AT 980208 Registration OC 16 (12F) 11 HS 4 WP (1.2) 7 HS 1 WP

1015 Liaison AT 980204 Confirmed SI exit pos 155's West DNF

1020 Co B FO AT 980204 Contact 105's Siberia 2 HS 72 HS

1301 155's West AT 980275 Registration 155's West 24 HS

1325 OC 16 AT 980253 Counter Mortar 0214 14 HS

1515 " 11 AT 980277 An Decollins Site 105's Siberia DNF

1516 " AT 980227 " 155's West 28 HS

1635 Liaison AT 980204 105's Siberia 16 HS

1640 Co B FO AT 980275 SI in woodline " 42 HS

1830 " AT 980204 " DNF

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1.	0001	1975	(U) Journal opened by SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) RTO.		RJ
2.	0015	5 MAR 1975	(C) Bde S3 to S3 (MAJ Lee): Division requests clearance for Herbicide Missions in the following areas: (1) Designator: HKA; area: from ZC 158223 to ZC 216165 to ZC 800140 to ZC 158223 to ZC 142237 to BT 057270 to BT 030280; Time on Target: 310900H Aug 69 (2) area: from ZC 300997 to BS 270997 to BS 070997 to BS 040997 (3) Designator: HIP; area: from AT 972234 to BT 030223 to BT 030211 to BT 090211 to BT 030211 to ZG 130280 to ZC 145306--Div requests clearance for heavy suppression and return fire for fire under control of Americal Forward Air Control (FAC); request callsigns, frequencies, and locations of all friendlies in the target area to contact prior to mission.	S M	RJ
3.	0710		(U) SP4 Michael Wilson (MW) relieved SP4 Rodger Johnson as RTO.		MW
4.	0715		(U) Bn Aid Station LZ West: Request medevac for 1 US litter and 2 US ambulatory at LZ West; Medevac Control reported that medevac was on its way.	S	MW
5.	0740		(U) Bn Aid Station LZ West: Medevac is complete (Refer to entry 4).	S	MW
6.	0745	7502111	(C) CO B Co (CPT Gayler): At 0615 hours AT 944268, 1 VCS was detained, age 60, and reason for pick-up was that he was around company's perimeter at an early hour; he will be taken to LZ West for interrogation.	S M Bde	MW
7.	0750		(C) CO B Co: At 0715 hours, reported a total of 1 US KIA, 4 US MIA, and 16 US WIA from period of 0927 hours 28 Aug 69 to 1948 hours 28 Aug 69; to date there are 3 WIA (minor in the field) to be evacuated and 4 US MIA.	S M Bde	MW
8.	0805		(C) CO B Co/2-1 Inf: At 0030 hours AT 945269, 1 trip flare went off in the perimeter exposing 2 NVA carrying what appeared to be a mortar round and hand grenades; they were engaged with small arms fire, and they dropped their load and evaded; area was searched and 1 X 60mm mortar round was found at 0700 hours this morning.	S M Bde	MW
9.	0805		(C) Bde Artillery to S3: 7th Marines request	S M	MW

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9.	(CONTINUED)		(C) clearance for heavy air strike at AT 925295; Time Frame: ASAP-300600H Aug 69.	Cleared by S3 Air (CPT Whittemar) to Bde Arty (Re- ceived by SPl Pleinus).	
10.	0815		(U) CO C Co (CPT Thomas): 3d plat moving.	S	MW
11.	0845		(C) FAC (Helix 02): Entered FCA and on station for pre-plan target at AT 886144.	S M	MW
12.	0910		(C) FAC (Helix 02): Results of Air Strike are as follows: At 0910 hours AT 886144, 20 500 lb bombs were expended, with BDA 90/80, resulting in 1 se- condary explosion.	S M	MW
13.	0915		(U) FAC (Helix 02): Departed FCA.	S	MW
14.	0930		(C) 3-5 ARVNS: At 0915 hours AT 985220, 10 empty B-40 rocket cases were found; the cases were destroyed; location at AT 985220.	S M Bde MW (Received by SPl Boguard).	
15.	0930		(C) Bde Artillery to S3: Request clearance for Air Strikes in the following grids: (1) AT 935300 (2) AT 932292 (3) AT 931304 (4) AT 940290 (5) AT 935297; Time Frame: 291800H-300600H Aug 69.	S M MW Cleared by S3 Air to Bde Arty (Received by SPl Pleinus)	
16.	0945		(U) CO C Co: 3d plat closed with element.	S M	MW
17.	1015		(U) CO A Co (CPT Mantell): Element moving.	S	MW
18.	1030		(C) Bde S2 to S2 (CPT Akiona): URS reports that there is an enemy Div unit at AT 932155 at a radius of 1000 meters; artillery fired from LZ Siberia.	S M	MW
19.	1040		(U) FAC (Helix 11): Departed FCA.	S	MW
20.	1055		(C) CO B Co/2-1 Inf: At 0910 hours AT 945269, 1 US MIA was recovered and sent to LZ Baldy; the MIA was missing since 22 Aug 69.	S M Bde MW S2 (Received by SPl Boguard)	
21.	1105		(U) CO D Co (CPT Wineman): Element moving.	S	MW
22.	1105		(U) CO B Co: Co A (4-31) with tanks has linked up with this element.	S M	MW
23.	1140		(U) CO A Co/2-1 Inf: Element moving.	S	MW

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24.	1150		(U) CO B Co: Element + Co A/4-31 Inf W/tanks are moving.	S	MW
25.	1225		(U) SPl Earl Eickelberger (EE) relieved SPl Michael Wilson as RPO.		EE
26.	1240		(U) FAC (Helix 17): Entered FCA on station.	S	EE
27.	1300		(C) Bde Artillery to S3: Request clearance for Air Strikes in the following grids: (1) ZB 172990 (2) ZC 146002 (3) AT 949143.	S M	EE
				Cleared by S3 Air to Bde Arty (Received by SPl Pleinds).	
28.	1310		(U) COL Binn arrived at LZ West.	S	EE
29.	1340		(C) FAC (Helix 17): Results of Air Strike are as follows: At 1340 hours AT 897151, 20 500 lb bombs were expended, with BDA 100/100, with results unknown at this time.	S M	EE
30.	1343		(U) FAC (Helix 17): Departed FCA off station.	S	EE
31.	1345		(C) CO A Co/2-1 Inf: Location at AT 965253.	S M	EE
32.	1400		(C) CO D Co: At 1300 hours AT 935275, 3 mamasons and 1 papason were detained, ages 40-60, wearing rags, with neg pack or weapons; they will be taken to LZ West and readout will follow.	S M Bde	EE
				S2 (Received by SPl Boguard).	
33.	1415		(C) S3 to Bde S3: Activities for 30 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A will (4-31 Inf) conduct detail search in area A1 (AT 927269, AT 933273, AT 934277, AT 935280, AT 942280, AT 945269, AT 940270, AT 938267, AT 930267, AT 927269). Co A/2-1 Inf will conduct detail search and destroy operations in area A2 (AT 940260, AT 967260, AT 967233, along stream to AT 940236, AT 940260, with sqd OP on LZ O'Connor AT 933243). Co B/4-31 Inf will be OPCON under 1-46 Inf. Co B/2-1 Inf will conduct detail search in area B (AT 937256, AT 930267, AT 938267, AT 940270, AT 945269, AT 957260, AT 940260, AT 937256. Co C/4-31 Inf will continue to secure LZ West; conduct plat sweep along route C (AT 989249, AT 974250, AT 975234, AT 983230, AT 990226, BT 004246, AT 991251); to search and destroy along route and hunt for Co D/4-31's body. Co D/4-31 Inf will conduct detail search in area D (AT 927269, AT 908276, AT 915277, AT 916280, AT 935280, AT 932275, AT 927269). Recon Plat/4-31 Inf will continue	S M Bde S3	EE
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33.	(CONTINUED)		(C) to secure LZ West and assist in police and re-construction.				
34.		1415	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Night activities for 29 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A/2-1 Inf will NDP AT 952255 and provide local security. Co B/2-1 Inf will NDP AT 941277 and provide local security. Co A/4-31 Inf will NDP AT 933267 and provide local security. Co B/4-31 Inf will NDP with 1-46 Inf eff 1800 hours and will be OPCON under the 1-46 Inf. Co C/4-31 Inf will NDP LZ West and provide local security. Co D/4-31 Inf will NDP AT 935275 and provide local security. Recon Plat/4-31 Inf will NDP LZ West and provide local security. Plat/Mortars (Co E) will NDP AT 920259 and provide local security.	S M Bde EE			
35.		1430	(C) CO B Co/4-31 Inf: At 1350 hours AT 941263, the body of 1 US MIA was recovered from 28 Aug 69 action; S2 (Received also found 4 reinforced bunkers, spider holes, a 60 mm mortar base plate, 2 NVA packs with personal gear, 1 carbine with home-made stock, some 60mm mortar rounds which were destroyed, and some equipment that belonged to Co D/1-46 Inf; it seemed like a platoon-sized enemy force was at this location.	S M Bde EE			
36.		1435	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Request Sky Spots be made in the following grids: (1) AT 918289 (2) AT 923297 (3) AT 933295. (4) AT 928302 (5) AT 915300 (6) AT 910300.	S M Bde EE			
37.		1500	(C) CO B Co: Location at AT 935263.	S M			
38.		1505	(U) CO A Co/2-1 Inf: Request medevac for 1 US personnel with heat injuries; C & C will make pickup and bring this man to LZ West.	S			
39.		1530	(U) FAC (Helix 16): Entered FCA.	S			
40.		1630	(C) CO D Co: At 1430 hours AT 939279, 7 individuals were observed moving into a bunker complex; artillery fired on grid; requesting for air strike at this time.	S M Bde EE			
41.		1630	(C) S2 to Bde S2: (1) At 1445 hours, LZ Siberia received some incoming recoilless rifle fire from suspected enemy location AT 887223; artillery fired on this grid and also on AT 875235.	S M Bde EE			
42.		1653	(C) Cos A, B, D, A/2-1, and B/2-1: Locations are as follows: Co A/2-1 location AT 957247; Co B/2-1 Inf location AT 941277; Co A (-) moving back to old NDP	S M			

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42.	(CONTINUED)		(C) of 28 Aug 69; Co B is moving to NDP of 28 Aug 69; Co D location AT 933273.				
43.	1715		(C) CO E Co (1LT Brandon): Line Nine Report: 1-3, 2-3, 3-0, 4-0, 5-38, 6-38, 7-38, 8-0, 9-0.	S Bde	EE		
44.	1720		(C) Bde S3 to S3: Air Force requests clearance in the following 3 box areas: (1) from AT 986165 to AT 990174 to AT 960183 to AT 957174 (2) from AT 932142 to AT 955161 to AT 961154 to AT 939135 (3) from AT 945132 to AT 970149 to AT 975141 to AT 950-124; Time Frame: ASAP-032400 Sep 69.	S M	EE		
				Cleared by S3 Air to Bde S3 (Received by CPT Long).			
45.	1730		(C) FAC (Helix 16): Results of Air Strike are as follows: At 1730 hours AT 934278, 14 2.75 rockets were expended, with BDA 100/100, resulting in 1 secondary fire - 1 structure destroyed - 1 KBA.	S M	EE		
46.	1730		(U) SPL Rodger Johnson (RJ) relieved SPL Earl Eickelberger as RTO.		RJ		
47.	1900		(U) CO B Co: Element moving towards NDP (Refer to entry 34).	S	RJ		
48.	1910		(C) CO B Co: At 1830 hours AT 942261, 1 old carbine was found with SN unreadable; it will be classified as weapon CIA.	S M Bde	RJ		
				S2 (Received by SPL Reese).			
49.		1915	(C) S2 to Bde S2: Request that a Visual Recon Mission be flown on BMNT or EENT 30 Aug 69 in the following area: from AT 9017 E to AT 9517 S to AT 9510 N to AT 9017 N to AT 9017; enter command net upon entry and rules of engagement will be given then.	S M Bde	RJ		
				S2 (Received by SPL Reese).			
50.		1920	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Request Sky Spots in the following 3 grids: (1) AT 858270 (2) AT 867271 (3) AT 874271.	S M Bde	RJ		
				S3 (Received by CPT Grump).			
51.		1955	(C) S2 to Bde S2: (1) At 1640 hours, Co A completed the extraction of 6 US bodies that belonged to Co C, 4th Bn, 31st Inf (2) At 1650 hours, Co B completed extraction of 4 US bodies from yesterday's action belonging to Co B (3) At 1700 hours, Co D found 1 man with foot injured from Napalm; she will be taken to LZ West for medical attention.	S M Bde	RJ		
				S2 (Received by SPL Reese).			
52.	2030		(U) CO B Co: Element moving towards NDP (Refer to entry 34).	S	RJ		
53.		2200	(C) S3 to Bde S3: At 281500H Aug 69, the Marines CP element in a search of area near their DDP, found 7 VN civilian bodies apparently assassinated by the NV.	S M Bde	RJ		
				S3 (Received by SPL Reese).			

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53.	(CONTINUED)		(C) there were 3 children, 1 baby, 1 middle age male, 1 female, and 1 old man, and all were shot in the head; they were lying side by side; numerous large bunkers with connecting tunnels were also found in the area of AT 952278; the bunkers could hold excess of 100 troops; all tunnels and bunkers were destroyed; the assassination of the civilians took place approximately 1-2 days ago.				
54.		2230	(C) S2 to Bde S2: 4.2" mortars on LZ West had 4 NVA KIA confirmed and 3 AK-47s with SN unknown, grid: AT 977236; mission was called by the ARVN's.	S M Bde RJ	S2 (received by SP4 Reese).		
55.	2400		(C) Bde S2 to S2: (From II-Corp to I-Corp) Indications are that the VC will conduct a nationwide sapper attack on friendly US bases tonight.	S M	RJ		
56.	2400		(O) Summary: Co A/4-31 Inf moved along assigned route with neg results. Co B/4-31 Inf moved in assigned area and conducted detail search and destroy operations resulting in 1 old carbine CIA, 1 VCS male detained, recovered 1 US MIA missing since 28 Aug 69, finding of 4 reinforced bunkers, spider holes, a 60mm base plate, 2 NVA packs with personal gear, 1 carbine with homemade stalk, some 60mm rounds that were destroyed, and some equipment belonging to Co D/1-46 Inf; also reported 1 US KIA, 4 US MIA, and 16 US WIA since 28 Aug 69. Co C/4-31 Inf continued to secure LZ West and conducted plat size detail search and clear assignments with neg results. Co D/4-31 Inf moved to secure OBJ 7 and continued to secure OBJ 7 after they arrived; also conducted an attack resulting in 1 male VCS detained. Recon Plat/4-31 Inf continued to secure LZ West and provided local security.				
57.	2400		(U) Journal closed by SP4 Rodger Johnson as RTO.		RJ		

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0020	Liaison (CP" Wolfe)	AT 961220	Sus MH Location	155's West	h HE
0210	"	AT 96102202	Sus Mortar Loc	Mortars West	4.2 2h HE
0350	Rattler 693	AT 968281	Recon by Fire (Prep)	155's West	90 HE
0415	Mr. Jackson	AT 961286	"	105's Siberia	160 HE 1 WP
0650	25 Hours Until Maintenance	"	"	155's West	3 WP 6 HE
0700	Tail Number 497	AT 962207	Sus VC Location	AWN	h HE 2 WP
0805	"	AT 963206	Sniper Fire	AWN	h WP 6h HE
0910	Belly 61	AT 963202	Prep	105's Siberia	3 WP
0930	OUT 16	IN	SORTIE 00	TIME	MISSION
1030	0645	0705	AT 3	0 Hr 20 Min	Co B 105's Siberia
1045	0705	1155	AT 12	5 Hr 10 Min	Resupply
1125	1500	1520	AT 2	5 Hr 30 Min	Co A/2-1 Inf West
1130	1525	1625	AT 3	6 Hr 30 Min	IZ Baldy; POL Siberia
1130	1625	1720	AT 4	7 Hr 45 Min	Resupply and Return; Chu Lai
1200	CG Co B/2-1 Inf	AT 961202	Sus VC Location	105's Siberia	15 HE
1220	TOTAL	22	7 Hr 45 Min	"	11 HE
1245	B2	AT 961300	Intelligence	155's West	26 + 1 HE
		AT 963302			
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		AT 962306			
		AT 961308			
		AT 962307			
		AT 963308			
		AT 962312			
		AT 967314			
1100	Co A FO	AT 962255	Sus En Loc	105's Siberia	1 WP
1105	3-5 Advisor	AT 965211	Prep	AWN	1 WP 6 HE
1130	Co B FO	AT 961202	Sus VC Location	105's Siberia	1 WP 200

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1.	0001		(U) Journal opened by SPL Rodger Johnson (RJ) RTO.		RJ
2.	0140		(C) Bde S2 to S3 (MAJ Lee): Infra-Red Readout is as follows: (1) 5 emissions AT 870235 (2) 2 emissions AT 851238 (3) 1 emission AT 820260, AT 820270, AT 830239, AT 879228, AT 877236, AT 883227, AT 887237, AT 890240, AT 892248.	S M	RJ
3.	0145		(U) IZ West at Yellow Alert status.	S	RJ
4.	0700		(U) CO A Co (CPT Mantell): Company at this time moving.	S	RJ
5.	0701		(U) CO D Co (CPT Wineman): Element detained 2 VN males and 4 VN children.	S	RJ
6.	0715		(U) Recon Plat (1LT Williams): Departing IZ West.	S	RJ
7.	0720		(U) Bde S2 to S2 (CPT Akiona): Weather Report is as follows: General Outlook: Partly Cloudy to mostly cloudy with fog in the valley in the morning; 3 day outlook: Partly Cloudy; Low Vis: 7 miles; Low Ceil: 3000 scattered; Temp: 940 (high) 760 (low); Humid: 90-50; BA: 2700-1700; Low Alt: 29. 76; Aver Winds: S/SE 10 knots gusting 220 knots on the coast; BMNT: 0545; SR: 310632H; SS: 301900H; EENT: 301945H; MR: 2104; MS: 0857; Illum: 91%.	S	RJ
8.	0720		(U) SPL Michael Wilson (MW) relieved SPL Rodger Johnson as RTO.		MW
9.	0730		(U) CO C Co (CPT Thomas): 2nd plat moving.	S	MW
10.		0740	(C) S3 (Maj Lee) to Bde Artillery: 4-31 Inf requests following airstrikes and Sky Spots in the following areas: Airstrikes (1) AT 951199, (2) AT 971186, (3) AT 978188, AT 949179, (5) AT 911178; Sky Spots: (1) AT 807256 (2) AT 7817257 (3) AT 811249 (4) AT 810242 (5) AT 820240.	S M	MW
11.	0750		(C) Bde S2 to S2: Request clearance for VR mission in the following area; from AT 7920 to AT 8425 to AT 8722 to AT 8217: Time on Target: 311300H Aug 69 Request clearance from 1/46 Inf also.	S M	MW
12.	0830		(C) Recon Plat: Location at AT 990259.	S M	MW
13.	0835		(C) CO A Co: At 0830 hrs AT 939276, 7 bunkers were	S M	MW

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13.	0835		(C) found and destroyed.	S2 (Received by SP4 Boquard).				
14.	0850		(U) CO B Co/2-1 Inf: Element moving.	S	MW			
15.	0850		(C) Bde Artillery to S3: 1st Marine Div requests clearance in the following areas: (1) from AT 810-270 to AT 813271 (2) from AT 813273 to AT 816274 (3) from AT 810272 to AT 812274 (4) from AT 810280 to AT 802283 (5) from AT 804283 to AT 803286; Time Frame: ASAP-310600H Aug 69.	S M	MW			
16.	0915		(C) Forward Air Control (FAC) Helix 17: Entered FGA; target: AT 796170.	S M	MW			
17.	0945		(U) CO D Co: Element moving.	S	MW			
18.	0950		(C) FAC (Helix 17): Results of Air Strike are as follows: At 0950 hours AT 796170, 12 500 lb bombs were expended (neg BDA due to smoke foliage).	S M	MW			
19.	0950		(C) CO A Co/2-1 Inf: Moving to location AT 961246.	S M	MW			
20.		0955	(C) S2 to Bde S2: Re-request Aerial Personnel Detector (APD) Sniffer Mission be flown in the following area: from AT 9326 to AT 9726 to AT 9720 to AT 9320; request be flown at BMNT or EENT 30 Aug 69 (Refer to entry 41 on 26 Aug 69).	S M Bde	MW			
21.	1000		(C) CO D Co: At 0700 hours AT 935275, 2 mamasons and 4 babysons were detained while walking through Co D's NDP; they will be taken to LZ West for interrogation.	S M Bde	MW			
22.	1005		(U) CO A Co: Request routine medevac for 1 VN male Med ship #608 will soon arrive with neg ETA.	S	MW			
23.	1010		(C) CO A Co: At 1000 hours AT 939276, engaged 1 VC wearing black PJ's hiding in a spider hole with an M-26 grenade resulting in 1 VC WIA, age 57; medevac was requested; at 1025 hours, this VC died of wounds.	S M Bde	MW			
24.	1015		(C) Bde Artillery to S3: Request clearance for Air Strikes in the following areas: (1) AT 910060 (2) box: UL AT 9413 IR BT 0108; Time Frame: 310600H to 311900H Aug 69.	S M	MW			
25.	1015		(U) MG Ramsey arrived LZ West.	S	MW			
26.	1025		(U) CO A Co: Cancelled medevac (Refer to entry 22).	S	MW			

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27.	1045		(C) CO B Co/2-1 Inf: Location at DDP AT 945264.	S M	MW		
28.	1045		(U) CO B Co: Airlift from Hiep Duc to LZ Siberia which began at 0915 hours is complete.	S	MW		
29.	1100		(C) 3-5 ARVNs: At 1040 hours AT 972231 to AT 975-230, 6 graves were found containing 4 bodies; also found food plates and 1 82mm position; also a bunker complex and fox holes in the N direction; they talked to a VN civilian who said that there was about a company and possibly a battalion CP at AT 974237; the NVA seemed to have moved North.	S M Bde	MW S2 (Received by SP4 Parks).		
30.	1130		(C) CO D Co: Location at AT 926271.	S M	MW		
31.	1150		(C) Recon Plat: Location at AT 989265.	S M	MW		
32.	1200		(U) SP4 Earl Eickelberger (EE) relieved SP4 Michael Wilson as RTO.		EE		
33.	1250		(U) CO C Co: 2d plat closed LZ West.	S M	EE		
34.	1330		(C) Blue Ghost 25: Entered FCA on V/R in grid AT 9313 (center).	S M	EE		
35.	1335		(U) FAC (Helix 16): Entered FCA on station.	S	EE		
36.	1400		(C) COs: Co A/2-1, Co B/2-1, Co A/4-31, Co D/4-31: Locations are as follows: Co A/21 location AT 961-246; Co B/2-1 Inf location AT 945264; Co A/4-31 Inf location AT 939276; Co D/4-31 Inf location AT 926-271.	S M	EE		
37.	1410		(C) S3 to Bde S3: Activities for 31 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A/4-31 Inf will conduct search in area A1 (AT 927269, AT 933273, AT 934277, AT 935280, AT 942280, AT 945269, AT 940270, AT 938267, AT 930267) and establish blocking position for the Marines in area A1. Co A/2-1 Inf will conduct detail search and destroy operations in area A2 (AT 940260, AT 967260, AT 967233, along stream to AT 940235, AT 940260) with a sqd OP on LZ O'Connor AT 933243. Co B/4-31 Inf will remain OPCON under 1-46 Inf. Co B/2-1 Inf will conduct detail search in area B (AT 937-256, AT 930267, AT 938267, AT 940270, AT 945269, AT 957260, AT 940260, AT 937256. Co C/4-31 Inf will continue to secure LZ West; conduct plat size search and clear operations in area (BT 000236, BT 021230, along	S M Bde	EE S3 (Received by SP4 Letourneau)		

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37.	(Continued)		(C) AO boundary to BT 009214, along river to BT 000217, BT 000230. Co D/4-31 Inf will conduct detail search operations in area D (AT 927269, AT 908276, AT 915277, AT 916280, AT 935280, AT 932275, AT 927269) and establish blocking positions for the Marines in area D. Recon Plat/4-31 Inf will conduct search and clear operations in area (AT 980235, BT 000235, BT 000217, along river to AT 980229, AT 980235)..					
38.		1425	(C) S3 to Bde S3: Night activities for 30 Aug 69 are as follows: Co A/2-1 Inf will NDP AT 950252 and provide local security; sqd/Co A/2-1 Inf will NDP LZ O'Connor AT 933243. Co B/2-1 Inf will NDP AT 941264 and provide local security. Co A/4-31 Inf will NDP AT 938273 and provide local security. Co B/4-31 Inf will NDP LZ Siberia and will remain OPCON under 1-46 Inf. Co C/4-31 Inf will NDP LZ West and provide local security. Co D/4-31 Inf will NDP AT 927271 and provide local security. Recon Plat/4-31 Inf will NDP LZ West and provide local security. Plat mortars (Co E) will NDP AT 920259 and are being secured by Co B/1-46 Inf.				S M Bde EE	
39.		1445	(C) Bn S3 to Bde S3: Request for Sky Spots: (1) AT 942103 (2) AT 940112 (3) AT 951111 (4) AT 949109 (5) AT 950126 (6) AT 934145. Approximate location of friendly over 5000 meters.				S M Bde EE	
40.		1445	(U) Blue Ghost 25: At 1430 at center mass location AT 960110 in that whole valley east of the blue the hootches and rice paddies in that area look well kept. A lot of people were observed there; there is reason to believe that they are enemy, about a Regiment size. In some areas observed numerous camouflaged hootches (about 20). About 5-6 were engaged and destroyed. At AT 951111 observed a trench and green uniform outside drying. At grid AT 949109 1 15 X 30 hootchengaged and destroyed. At grid AT 950126 observed 3 hootches with green uniforms outside. Negative assessment. At grid AT 934145 observed 10 large hootches being built, approximate size 15 X 35.				S M Bde EE	
41.		1450	(U) Blue Ghost 25: Departing FCA off station.				S	EE
42.		1510	(U) Gen. Clements arrived at IZ West.				S	EE

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43.	1510		(C) 3/5 ARVN Advisor: At 1400 hrs in grid AT 971-231 bunkers, blood on the trails which the enemy tried to cover. The area was well burned and rounds and 1 grenade have gone off. Also at grid AT 970211 1 dead NVA killed by small arms fire and at grid AT 969202 2 dead NVA were found killed by small arms fire. Also at grid AT 969227 in a shallow grave were 4 dead NVA who still had on cartridge belts and 2 grenades. These were killed by artillery.	S M Bde	EE			
44.	1600		(U) Recon plat:					
45.	1750		(C) CO Co E/4-31 Inf (1LT Brandon): Line Nine report is as follows: 1-10, 2-10, 3-0, 4-0, 5-127, 6-127, 7-121, 8-6, 9-0.	S	EE			
46.	1830		(U) SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) relieved SP4 Earl Eickelberger as RTO.		RJ			
47.	1845		(C) LZ Siberia: At this time receiving incoming mortars.	S	RJ			
48.	1925		(C) Bn S2 to Bde S2: 1850 LZ Siberia received 10 incoming 82mm Recoilless Rifle fire. Resulting in 9 US WIAS. 6 dusted off at 1922 hrs, 3 treated on spot; Mortars, 105's and 155 fired on grid AT 837235 which was the location of the flash area. Area well covered with unknown results.	S M Bde	RJ			
49.	2000		(C) Bn S2 to Bde S2: ARVN arty advisor (CPT Jenkins) reported the following: in grids AT 931224 and AT 943227 civilians stated that this was RRT, PSN or cache. AT 946218 civilians stated that this is a Regiment CP-HQ or-base camp. AT 965235, AT 981239, AT 972239, and AT 991236 to be likely avenue of approach for sapper company (reported to be operating in this area) to LZ West. BT 027199 US Advisor in this area stated this is either exfiltration or infiltration route to 3/21 Inf's area of operation to our east.	S M	RJ			
50.	2030		(C) Bde S3 to Bn S3: Clearance for Ark Lite; AT 95175 to S AT 975165; AT 987175 to S AT 987165; AT 932143 to 938136; AT 955163 to S AT 962157. Time Frame ASAP to 102400H Sept 69.	S M	RJ			
51.	2100		(C) Bde S3 to Bn S3: Area of Operation Extension Request; Marines request extension AT 860290 to AT 860280 to AT 880280 to AT 880260 to AT 930260.	S M	RJ			

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(C) IZ West on Yellow Alert Status.

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(C) Summary: Co A conducted detail search and clear resulting in 1 VC KIA and found and destroyed 7 bunkers. Co B remained OPCON under 1/46 Inf. Co C continued to secure IZ West and conducted plat size sweep along assigned route with negative results. Co D conducted detail search and clear resulting in the detainment of 2 VN female and 4 children. Recon plat continued to secure IZ West.

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(U) Journal closed by SP4 Rodger Johnson RTO.

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1.	0001		(U) Journal opened by SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) RTO.		RJ			
2.		0100	(C) S3 (MAJ Lee) to Bde S3: At 0100 hours, 1 enemy rocket passed over IZ West approximately 50-100 feet overhead; suspected grid is AT 982216.	S M Bde	RJ			
3.	0130		(C) Bde S2 to S3: Infra-Red Readout is as follows: (1) AT 929142 - 10 emissions (2) AT 929144 - 8 emissions (3) AT 937198 - 2 emissions (4) AT 917-202 - 2 emissions (5) AT 893234 - 1 emission (6) AT 887237 - 1 emission (7) AT 852238 - 1 emission (8) AT 848239 - 1 emission; 155's fired on #1 and 2 with Plat 3; also 155's fired on #3 and 4 with Plat 2.	S M	RJ			
4.		0430	(C) S3 to Bde S2: At AT 981225, 81mm firing section 2 with two tubes, fired a first round direct hit on what appeared to be a camp fire; 3d round had 1 flashlight fly approximately 25 feet in the air; 4th round had 1 small secondary about 25 meters to the left; at AT 986285 (same section of fire, 3d round had 1 small secondary; at AT 981239, fired section 2 and observed 1 secondary explosion as follows large column of flame, approximately 4 to 6 feet in diameter and 30 to 35 feet high.	S M Bde	RJ			
5.	0530		(U) IZ Center is receiving incoming rounds at this time.	S	RJ			
6.	0630		(U) CO A Co (CPT Mantell): Element moving.	S	RJ			
7.	0700		(U) CO A Co: Location at DDP and sqd's are on sweeps.	S	RJ			
8.	0710		(C) Forward Air Control (FAC) Helix 16: Entered FCA on station for Air Strike at AT 985224.	S M	RJ			
9.	0720		(C) CO A Co/2-1 Inf: At AT 947235, 2 VC/WVA were spotted with packs and weapons; artillery was fired on grid and had a direct hit with unknown results.	S M Bde	RJ			
10.	0730		(C) CO A Co/2-1 Inf: Company activities for this day are as follows: 2 sqds will search and clear S to AT 967208 and S to AT 964236.	S M Bde	RJ			
11.	0731		(U) SP4 Michael Wilson (MW) relieved SP4 Rodger Johnson as RTO.		MW			
12.	0800		(U) Recon Plat (1LT Williams): Departed FFL.	S	MW			
13.	0800		(U) CO B Co/2-1 Inf: Element moving.	S	MW			

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14.	0810		(C) FAC (Helix 16): Results of Air Strike are as follows: At 0810 hours AT 983244, 24 500 lb bombs were expended, with BDA 100/80, resulting in 7 bunkers destroyed and 1 secondary explosion.	S M Bde MW			
15.	0810		(C) CO A Co: At 0730 hours AT 936274, 6 fresh graves were found and various GI equipment; equipment will be destroyed because of its unserviceable condition; a readout will follow (at 0950 hours, Co A reported that these graves contained 6 MVA KIA but are not counted because of operations in that area before).	S2 (Received by SP4 Boquard)			
16.	0810		(C) CO A Co: At 0800 hours AT 936274, 1 female VN was found wounded by gunshot and shrapnel, the wounds were about 1 day old; the Command and Control (C & C) will extract her to LZ West for treatment and initial interrogation; her age is unknown at this time.	S2 (Received by SP4 Boquard)			
17.	0830		(C) Bde S3 to S3: MAJ Townsend of the 1st Marine Division requests an AO extension for combat operations in the following area: from AT 880280 S to AT 880260 W to AT 815260; Time Frame: 01000TH-09-2400H Sep 69.	S M	MW		
18.	0905		(C) FAC (Helix 16): Results of Air Strike are as follows: At 0905 hours AT 954199, 20 5" rockets and 1200 rounds of 20mm were expended, with BDA 90/90, resulting in 1 structure destroyed and 4 structures damaged.	S M Bde MW			
19.	1015		(C) CO Co B/2-1 Inf: Location at DDP AT 946263.	S M	MW		
20.	1030		(C) Recon Plat: Located at BT 009237.	S M	MW		
21.	1040		(C) CO Co A/4-31 Inf (CPT Mantell): In grid AT 939276 3 small children were found. 1 of the children has a minor wound. All 3 to be extracted to LZ West for questioning.	S2 (Received by SP4 Boquard)			
22.	1100		(U) Helix 14: Relieves Helix 16 on station.	S	MW		
23.	1100		(U) CO Co D/4-31 Inf (CPT Wineman): 3d plat on the move.	S	MW		
24.	1110		(C) LNO Hiep Duc (SFC Pacolba): VN boy with gunshot wound in right buttock. Name Nguyen Tau, age 12 years of age, male, no parents. Lives in Son Tu village				

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(C) Cam Tu Hamlet, Hiep Duc. Lives with brother.

Walked from Son Tu to Hiep Duc.

25. 1125

(C) Bde S2 to Bn S2: Sniffer Mission Readout: Susp- S M Bde MW
 ected maximum in the following grids: (1) AT 960237; S2 (Received by
 negative clearance. (2) AT 953227; negative clearance. SPL Boduard.
 (3) AT 933235 cleared. (4) AT 931230; cleared. 6
 rounds fired from Siberia on both grids that were
 clear. Maximum (5) AT 944219; cleared. (6) Suspected
 AT 970238 to AT 9652370; cleared. (7) AT 946238;
 cleared. (8) AT 942237; cleared. (9) AT 939219;
 cleared.

26. 1145

(C) Recon plat: Located at BT 007233.

S M

MW

27. 1150

(U) CO Co D/4-31 Inf: 3rd plat closed with the rest of D Co/4-31 Inf.

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MW

28. 1200

(U) SPL Earl Eickelberger (EE) relieved SPL Michael Wilson as RTO.

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EE

29. 1320

(U) FAC Helix 15: Entered FCA on station.

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30. 1345 1345

(C) S3 (Maj Lee) to Bde S3. Night activities for 31 Aug are as follows: Co A NDP AT 928266, local security; Co B OPCON 1/46 Inf; Co C NDP at IZ West. Local security; Co D NDP AT 926270, local security. Recon NDP IZ West, local security. Co A/2-1 Inf NDP AT 953250, local security. Squad operating at IZ O'Connor. Co B/2-1 Inf NDP AT 946263, local security. Plat of Mortars (E Co) NDP AT 920259, local security. Activities for 1 Sept 69 are as follows: Co A/4-31 Inf will conduct detail search in area A1; AT 927269 AT 933273, AT 934277, AT 935280, AT 942280, AT 945269 AT 940270, AT 930267, AT 930267, AT 927269 and establish blocking position for the Marines in area A1. Co A/2-1 Inf; conduct detailed search and destroy in area A2; AT 940260, AT 967260, AT 967233, along stream to Co A/2-1 Inf; with a sqd OP on IZ O'Connor AT 933243. Co B/2-1 Inf; conduct detailed search in area B AT 937256, AT 930267, AT 938267, AT 940270, AT 945269, AT 957260, AT 940260, AT 937256 and released 1 plat OPCON to 1/46 Inf to secure Hill 118 AT 920259. Co C/4-31 Inf; continue to secure IZ West and construction and police of the area. Co D/4-31 Inf; conduct search and clear in area; AT 927269, AT 908276, AT 915277, AT 916280, AT 935280, AT 932275, AT 927269, and establish blocking positions for the

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30.	(Continued)		(C) for the Marines in area. Recon plat/4-31 Inf: continue to secure IZ West and construction and police of the area.			
31.	1345		(C) CO Co A/2-1 Inf: At grid AT 962242 found some spider holes which were destroyed. Also destroyed 1 hootch at AT 964244 and 1 hootch at AT 965240 and 1 hootch at AT 961239.	S M Bde EE S2 (Received by SP4 Parks)		
32.	1350		(C) CO Co D/4-31 Inf: At grid AT 922272 destroyed 2 hootches, 1 bunker, 6 X 6 and 1 booby trap. Grid AT 923272 detained 1 VN female and 3 children who were sent on foot to Hiep Duc. At grid at 919271 engaged 2 VC at 300 meters. Negative pack or weapon.	S M Bde EE S2 (Received by SP4 Parks)		
33.	1400		The VC evaded to the Southwest successfully. (U) Gen. Ramsey on IZ West.	S	EE	
34.	1430		(U) Helix 15: Departing FCA off station.	S	EE	
35.	1500		(U) Gen Clements arrived on IZ West.	S	EE	
36.	1510		(C) Recon plat: Located at AT 015244.	S	EE	
37.	1515		(U) CO Co C/4-31 Inf: Opened range.	S	EE	
38.	1600		(U) Helix 17: Entered FCA on station.	S	EE	
39.	1600		(U) CO Co C/4-31 Inf: Range closed.	S	EE	
40.	1625		(U) Recon plat: Closed at IZ West.	S	EE	
41.	1630		(C) Bn S2 to Bde S2: ID card and several documents bought to IZ West BIOC by 1LT McDowell, pay officer for A/4-31 Inf was taken off VC KIA at 1000 hrs 30 Aug 69 at AT 939276 by Co A/4-31 Inf.	S M Bde EE Bde S2 (Received by 1LT Cantrell)		
42.	1710		(C) CO Co E/4-31 Inf (1LT Brandon): Line nine report is as follows: 1-8, 2-8, 3-0, 4-0, 5-85, 6-85, 7-04, 9-1, 10-0.	S	EE	
43.	1745		(U) CO Co A/4-31 Inf: Request dustoff for 1 VCS with gunshot wound in side.	S Dustoff #608 ETA 10 min.	EE	
44.	1745		(U) SP4 Rodger Johnson (RJ) relieved SP4 Earl Eickelberger as RFO.		RJ	
45.	1815		(U) CO Co A/4-31 Inf: At this time on the move.	S	RJ	

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1816

(C) CO Co B/2-1 Inf: 3rd plat moving to Hill 118.

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RJ

47.

1910

(C) CO Co B/2-1 Inf: 3rd plat closed on Hill 118.

S M

RJ

48.

1920

(C) CO Co A/2-1 Inf: Spotted 7 persons in black

S M Bde

pajamas and some wearing green pants and steel pots in grid AT 959252. Will process Arty on the persons. S2 (Received by SP4 Reese).

OP on LZ O'Connor spotted 5 Vietnamese in black pajamas at grid AT 947238. Processed Arty on the location.

49.

1925

(C) Forward Mortars (plat of E/4-31 Inf): At grid

S M Bde

RJ

AT 921259 the mortar personnel while in perimeter for the night engaged and killed 1 VC that was moving near their position. Approximate age 18. S2 (Received by SP4 Reese).

50.

1925

(C) Marine LNO: Intel Report; From Moc Bai with VN

S M Bde

RJ

C2 rating 1 VC Regiment from 2d Div located at AT 952354. Will attempt to move and hide in vic. of

S2

BT 090300. Unit has 82mm mortars, 6 MG, 4 X 120mm mortars and 12 radios. Mission is to avoid contact with

Marines that are in Hiep Duc. Approximate strength of 700. 6th Bn, 21st Regiment located within

3000 meters of BT 040382. Marine source A1 rating.

51.

1925

(C) Marine LNO: POW Interrogation report on PFC Hoi

S M Bde

RJ

captured by Co D/1-7 29 Aug 69 at AT 9732. He comes from 1st sqd, 1st plt, 39th Co, 17th Comm Bn, 2d

S2

Div (GK-30). Mission of Division: Attack US forces in Hiep Duc District. Regiments are located 2 to 2 1/2

kilometers east of the Div. CP. 17th Comm Bn is located in the vic. of Phuc Lanh. Bn consist of 3 com-

panies: 1 radio company; 1 messenger company; and 1 telephone company. Subject volunteered to make a VR

and point out unit location.

52.

2045

(C) CO Co C/4-31 Inf: In grid AT 986250 nite lite

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RJ

picked up two individuals moving about 230 meters in front of bunker #2.

Fired 81mm area well covered, movement stopped.

53.

2047

(U) CO Co C/4-31 Inf: IZ West bunker line on 100%.

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54.

2130

(C) Bde S2 to Bn S2: SIAR Readout; AT 935250 picked

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RJ

up 1 moving target.

55.

2230

(U) CO Co C/4-31 Inf: IZ West bunker line on Green

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Alert Status.

56.

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(C) Summary: Co A continued detailed search and clear

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(C) operations resulting in 1 female detained with a gunshot and sharpnel wounds. Also 3 children detained. 1 with minor wound. Co B OPCON 1/46 Inf.

Co C continued to secure LZ West with sweeps and local patrols. Negative results. Co D continued detailed search and destroy operations in assigned zone resulting in 2 hootches and 1 bunker and booty trap destroyed. Also 1 female VN and 3 children were detained. Co E (Forward Mortars) while on Hill 118 engaged and killed 1 VC. Recon plat continued to assist in securing LZ West with patrols and sweeps. Co A/2-1 continued search and destroy operations in assigned zone resulting in some spider holes destroyed and 3 hootches.

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