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	IN	OUT					
1	0001		JOURNAL OPENED.	J	PRS		
2	0100		D Co sit rep neg	J	PRS		
3		0100	Sit Rep to Bde: Neg	J	PRS		
4	0155		D Co sit rep neg.	J	PRS		
5		0200	Sit Rep to Bde: Neg	J, Bde	PRS		
6	0300		D Co sit rep neg.	J, Bde	PRS		
7		0302	Sit Rep to Bde: Neg	J, Bde	PRS		
8	0400		D Co sit rep neg.	J, Bde	PRS		
9		0400	Sit Rep to Bde: Neg	J, Bde	PRS		
10	0500		D Co sit rep neg.	J, Bde	PRS		
11		0500	Sit Rep to Bde: Neg	J, Bde	PRS		
12	0600		LRP 16, 23, 72, 76 sit rep neg.	J	PRS		
13	0600		A & D Cos sit rep neg.	J	PRS		
14		0600	Sit Rep to Bde: Neg.	J, Bde	PRS		
15	0645		A Co 26 & 36 surrendered "Rat Hole Alpha" on about				
			20 VC. Believed they have them all A Co ele moving				
			into the area to make body count. Atty is being				
			fired to clear exited.	J, Bde	JAP		
16	0715		A Co report that they have eight (8) VC by				
			body count and two (2) wpns carbine.	J, Bde	JAP		
17	0720		Further report found out there was about 20				
			VC with a three man point.	J, Bde	JAP		
18		0735	D Co ordered to send one plat to the north				

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18	(CONT)		in the vic of Rat Hole Alpha. Enter the draw				
			at coords 789650 on order only.	J,D Co	CWG		
19	0743		A Co report finding one (1) more body and				
			five (5) grenades.	J,S3	JAP		
20	1950		A Co report that there was only one friendly				
			WIA in the action.	J,S3	JAP		
21	0800		Journal entry 16. The first man from the group				
			was wearing a uniform. He is believed to be				
			NVA. The total bodycount now stand at 9 VC by				
			bodycount. One friendly WIA.	J,Bde	JAP		
22	0812		D Co 36 ele departing this location at this time. J,S		JAP		
23	0830		Scout Tm is on station at this time to work in				
			our AO.	J,S,S2,S3	JAP		
24	0910		From A Co message to D Co 36 ele do not go				
			north of blue line- D Co said he had be informed J,S,D Co		RD		
25	0930		D Co 26 ele is moving East to coords 823636				
			looking for tunnels then they will move north				
			to grid line 64 to check area. Then move north				
			west to coords 810645 after finishing there				
			move back to LZ GAVIN.	J,S	JAP		
26	0932		Serial number of wpns captured 298844; 224063				
			Also have document that an interpreter is				
			looking over at this time all will be evacuated. J,Bde,S2		JAP		

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27	0937		(Ref item 26) A Co reports one individual had			
			orders issued by 519th; also found ID card w/813-E and code			
			number B-46.	J, Bde, S2		PRS
28	1005		D Co given permission to switch his company			
			freq to 50-D.	J, S		PRS
29	1015		D Co 26 element departed on Rem patrol thistime.	J, S, Bde		PRS
30	1025		Bde S2 report 519-18th Regt; 803-7th Bn 18th Regt			
			and B-46 is questionable. B-41 thru B-44 is			
			ABC & D companies. Checking on B-46.	J, S2		PRS
31	1027		Bn CO & S3 departing in TOC ship at thistime.	J, S		PRS
32	1028		Scout Ship reports at coords 7456 spotting			
			46 men Blk PJs 1 KIA.	J, Bde		RD
33	1028		D Co 36 ele on 13 min stanf by to be lifted and to			
			vic 7456.	J, S		RD
34	1040		D Co 36 located at coords 789648 on PZ for			
			pick-up.	J, S		RD
35	1045		Requested from Bde ship to put D Co 36 ele			
			down in vic 7660 Scout Tm spotted several			
			groups of VC at that location.	J, Bde		RD
36	1050		Gun ship and lift ship on way.			
37	1051		S3 located group washing clothes and clothes on			
			ground and bunker in area vic 7660.	J, S		RD
38	1124		D Co 36 lifted off at thistime.	J, S, Bde		RD

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39	1125		D Co 36 landed at coords 751606 at thistime with negative contact.	J,S,Bde		PRS	
40	125		D Co 36 received sniper fire at 751606.	J,Bde		RD	
41	1220		D Co 26 ele closed back at LZ Gavin.	J,S		RA	
42	1230		D Co 36 at vic coords 748611 neg contacts	J,Bde		RA	
43	1230		D Co 36 ele found via LZ Br 748611 individual rice bags (20) also 1 VC KIA, byarty also 1 VC KIA by scout team.	J,Bde, S2		EVK	
44	1303		A Co 22 ele sprung ambush at coords 785655 1 V C KIA w/wpn.	J,Bde, S2		EVK	
45	1325		S2 informed A Co 46 that an ele from 2/8 will be @ 1/8 will contact A Co 46 today at LZ MEADE they will operate in the NE portion of AO and will have LRP via 865765.	J		EVK	
46	1328		(ref item 44) VC had a 1965 type wpn semi-auto Sn 65291.	J,Bde S2		EVK	
47	1330		D Co 36 ele at coords 749611 has 1 VC KIA and 1 VCC no wpns.	J,Bde, S2		EVK	
48	1405		A Co 22 ele closed back at their base camp at coords 785655.	J,S		RA	
49	1634		Recon 35 on LZ proceeding to Obj 760581.	J		EVK	
50	1724		D Co 36 ele closed on LZ Gavin.	J,S,Bde		RA	
51	1803		LRP from 1/12 call sign Pony Soldier 3				

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52	(CONT)		on Bn freq at vic coords 866778.	J,S		RA
52	1847		D Co LRP 35 ele at coords 765591	J,Bde		RA
53	1847		A Co 36 ele location coords 787652, 6,16 ele			
			at coords 779652, CP,26 at coords 783658.	J,B,Bde		RA
54	1900		Sit Rep to Bde: Neg	J,Bde		RA
55	2000		Sit Rep to Bde: Neg	J,Bde		RA
56	2010		Bn GO to D Co GO: Send patrol from LZ Gavin N			
			to vic 820652 firing abty occasionally to			
			their front for orientation. Patrol will			
			stay east of the river on reaching above loc			
			proceed back to Gavin checking wood line to the			
			east (26 ele).			
57	200		Sit Rep to Bde: Neg	J,Bde		RA
58	2200		Sit Rep to Bde: Neg	J,Bde		RA
59	2300		Sit Rep to Bde: Neg	J,Bde		RA
60	2400		Sit Rep to Bde: Neg	J,Bde		EVA
61	2400		JOURNAL CLOSED			
			SUMMARY: A Co ambushed approx 20 VC dn Rat Hole Alpha at 0645. 9VC			
			KIA were counted. At 0830 2nd plat swept the area and the set up a squad size ambush			
			in the same area vic coord 785655. At 1303 the 2nd squad 2nd plat killed one VC from			
			the ambush. 4th plat is at LZ MSADE. B Co and C Co OCA to 1/12. D Co(-) provided Gavin			
			security. At 0812 the 3rd plat moved to coord 789650 in support of A Co. At 1027 about			
			ships reported 4-6 VC at coord 7456: 1 KIA. At 1045 they reported several more VC at			

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