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| LZ Sharon                                                   |      | FROM                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | TO         |              |
| S-2 S-3 1ST Battalion 8TH Cavalry                           |      | DATE                                     | TIME                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | DATE       | TIME         |
|                                                             |      | 14 Sept 68                               | 0001                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 14 Sept 68 | 2400         |
| ITEM NO.                                                    | TIME | INT                                      | INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS ETC.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | INTL.      |              |
| 1                                                           | 0001 |                                          | Journal opened                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | JS         | LG           |
| 2                                                           | 0100 |                                          | Situation Report Negative                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | JS         | Bde LG       |
| 3                                                           | 0200 |                                          | Situation Report Negative                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | JS         | Bde JM       |
| 4                                                           | 0300 |                                          | Situation Report Negative                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | JS         | Bde JM       |
| 5                                                           | 0400 |                                          | Situation Report Negative                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | JS         | Bde JM       |
| 6                                                           | 0500 |                                          | Situation Report Negative                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | JS         | Bde JM       |
| 7-                                                          | 0600 |                                          | Situation Report Negative                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | JS         | Bde JM       |
| 8                                                           | 0615 |                                          | Organic Expenditures: A Co 15 HE 5 wp neg. ill.; B Co 5 he. neg. wp. neg. ill.; C Co OPCON 3/5; D Co 3 he. neg. wp. neg. ill.; E Co 1/12 16 he. neg. wp. neg. ill.                                                                                                                                                                            | JS         | JM           |
| 9                                                           | 0650 |                                          | (Delayed entry 13 Sept. # 2145) D 2/12 3-7 ambush reports there were 6 or 7 personnel to their front 50 to 75 meters to North, North West, it sounded as if they were dragging heavy equipment. The noise stopped for 20 to 30 minutes, and resumed again moving to their North West. Later more movement to their North along the blue line. | JS         | Bde BW       |
| 10                                                          | 0705 |                                          | All 1/8th OP's and ambushes have closed on C.P. location at this time.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | JS         | Bde JM       |
| 11                                                          | 0800 |                                          | Unit locations; A Co at 337400; B Co at 339388; C Co OPCON 3/5; D Co at 335404; E Co (-) LZ Sharon                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | JS         | Bde JM       |
| 12                                                          | 0955 |                                          | 1-6 OPCON B Co; D Co 2/12 at 338396. Unit locations; A Co 337400; B Co 339388; C Co OPCON 3/5; D Co 335404, 1-6 339411, 2-6 334407; B Co and E Co 1-6 at 342393, B Co 2-6 340394, 3-6 340394                                                                                                                                                  | JS         | Bde DS       |
| 13                                                          | 1003 |                                          | D Co 2/12 338396, 3-6 339394.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | JS         | JM           |
| 14                                                          | 1005 |                                          | Scout Birds (silver wing) on station.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | JS         | JM           |
| 15                                                          | 1028 |                                          | From Bde.; H hour scheduled for 1300 hours with artillery prep. at 1245 hours. All elements to move North East but do not cross phase line yellow.                                                                                                                                                                                            | JS         | JM           |
| 16                                                          | 1030 |                                          | Scout team (silver wing) breaking station.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | JS         | JM           |
| 17                                                          | 1125 |                                          | From Bde; Confirmation appoxed we can cross phase line yellow.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | JS         | JM           |
| 18                                                          | 1131 |                                          | D Co 2-6 at 335409 requests medivac for 1 E.M. with high temperature.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | JS         | Bde JM       |
| 19                                                          | 1232 |                                          | Medivac (reference to item 17) complete at this time                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | JS         | Bde JM       |
| 20                                                          |      |                                          | From Bde; For Bn 6, elements to search and destroy North East towards Phase line Black beginning at 1300 hours, no further clearance required from Bde. 6.                                                                                                                                                                                    | JS         | RS           |
| 21                                                          | 1234 |                                          | (Delayed Entry) Time 1207 hours D Co 1-6 at 339411 request medivac for 1 E.M. with temperature of 103 degrees.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | JS         | Bde RS       |
| 22                                                          | 1320 |                                          | Medivac complete for D Co 1-6 element.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | JS         | Bde RS       |
|                                                             |      |                                          | B Co has crossed PL Line Yellow and is moving towards                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | JS         | Bde LG       |
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| 23                                                            | 1325        | D 2/12 has crossed PL yellow and its moving towards PL Black.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 24                                                            | 1300        | (Delayed Entry) A Co has crossed PL Yellow and is moving towards PL Black.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 25                                                            | 1400        | Unit locations; A Co at 340400; B Co at 344397 C Co OPCON 3/5; D Co at 339409; E Co (-) at LZ Sharon; E Co 1-6 at 344397, D 2/12 at 341396.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 26                                                            | 1410        | D Co 1/8 has crossed PL Yellow and are moving on to PL Black.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 27                                                            | 1455        | From Bde; Div 6 and Bde. 6 request any enemy findings that the elements find will be reported as soon as possible.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 28                                                            | 1600        | A Co at 346404 reports that at that grid there are old U.S. bunkers it looks like old U.S. fire base they were destroyed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 29                                                            | 1600        | Unit locations; A Co at coords 346404; B Co; at 345397; C Co OPCON 3/5; D Co at coord 346406 E Co (-) LZ Sharon, ECo 1-6 at BCo location;                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 30                                                            | 1615        | D Co 2/12 at coord 346402. D Co at coord 346402 request medivac for 1 E.M. who got some fragments of wood in his eye while blowing a tree.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 31                                                            | 1630        | D Co reports medivac complete.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 32                                                            | 1700        | From Bde; Weather forecast from Sept 14 1800 hours to Sept 15 1800 hours; at 141800 clouds at 3000 feet, 8000 feet scattered; 30000 feet broken; intermitten 1800 to 2200/ 1500 to 1800 clouds 2500 feet broken and scattered at 8000 feet; percipitation intermitten 1800 to 2200/1500 to 1800 thunderstorms and scattered showers; Winds at 1800 from South West 5 to 10 knots intermitten 1800 to 2200 /1500 to 1800 winds variable 12 knots to 25 knots; 72 hours overall forecast no significant change temperature. H 86 degrees- L 77 degrees, MDA 3100 feet. |
| 33                                                            | 1730        | D 2/12 at coord 346402 who cut himself on the hand with a machette.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 34                                                            | 1755        | D Co 2/12 reports medivac complete.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 35                                                            | 1845        | B Co up on malaria.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 36                                                            | 1846        | E Co up on malaria.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 37                                                            | 1846        | C Co up on malaria.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 38                                                            | 1847        | A Co up on malaria.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 39                                                            | 1847        | D Co up on malaria.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 40                                                            | 1905        | Situation Report Negative                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 41                                                            | 1930        | Unit locations; A Co (-) at 351404, A Co 1-6 at 349404, 1-1A 349406, 2-1 at 351405, 3-1 at 342398; B Co 1-6 at 341399, 2-1 at 345395, 3-0 at 346397 C Co OPCON 3/5 D Co (-) 347408, 1-1 at 345407, 2-1 at                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
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| 41           | cont |    | at 346407 3-1 at 344408; D Co 2/12 (-) 346402, 1-7          |
| 42           | 1950 |    | at 348403, 2-7 at 344399, 3-7 at 345403.                    |
| 43           | 2000 |    | Unit PDS; ACo 92-3-12 B Co 111-3-15, C Co 99-3-11           |
| 44           | 2020 |    | D Co 94-4-12, E Co 23-0-2, D Co 2/12 98.                    |
|              |      |    | Situation Report Negative.                                  |
|              |      |    | From Bde; Air Force L.O. reports that at 1710 hours         |
|              |      |    | FAC observed at 352412, 3 bunkers and engaged and destroyed |
|              |      |    | at 1754 hours FAC observed, 5 bunkers at 357412             |
|              |      |    | engaged and destroyed, also what appeared to be             |
|              |      |    | a tunnel was uncovered at 357412.                           |
| 45           | 2025 |    | From Bde; SPOT REPORTS, turned into Bde. will               |
|              |      |    | consist of following: (1) When? (2) Who? (3) Where?         |
|              |      |    | (4) How? (5) What? (6) In some cases, Why?.                 |
| 46           | 2100 |    | Situation Report Negative.                                  |
| 47           | 2105 |    | From Bde S-2: Usually reliable intelligence reports         |
|              |      |    | enemy will be setting up extensive squad and platoon        |
|              |      |    | ambushes tonight in COMMANCHE FALLS A.O.                    |
| 48           | 2135 |    | From Bde, 6; H hour for Sept 15 at 0800 hours,              |
|              |      |    | advance being to North East, limited only by find           |
|              |      |    | ings and contact.                                           |
| 49           | 2200 |    | Situation Report Negative                                   |
| 50           | 2230 |    | From Bde; Choi Hoi from K-S battalion reports no            |
|              |      |    | tactical information derived for 1/8th A.O.                 |
| 51           | 2300 |    | Situation Report Negative.                                  |
| 52           | 2320 |    | From Bde S-2; Intelligence report on region to              |
|              |      |    | be entered tomorrow by 1/8 elements; Grids YD               |
|              |      |    | at 344421 2 tunnel entrances. at 350425 120 NVA             |
|              |      |    | with mission to attack U.S. and ARVN; at 348345             |
|              |      |    | 2 reinforced bunkers and fresh trail running East to        |
|              |      |    | West at 340405 138th regiment, unknown battalion            |
|              |      |    | at 353408, 4 bunkers                                        |
| 53           | 2355 |    | Situation Report Negative                                   |
| 54           | 2400 |    | Journal Opened                                              |
|              |      |    | SUMMARY: 1st Battalion 8th Cavalry continued part-          |
|              |      |    | icipation in operation COMMANCHE FALLS under                |
|              |      |    | operational control of 2nd brigade. All companies           |
|              |      |    | continued to search to the North East with negative         |
|              |      |    | contact. Co C remained at Wunder Beach under                |
|              |      |    | OPCON to 3/5 AC.                                            |

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