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LZ Sharon S-2 S-3 1ST Battalion 8TH Cavalry				FROM	TO
ITEM NO.	TIME	DATE	TIME	DATE	TIME
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		Sept 68	0001	17-Sept-68	2400
		DISPATCHES, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.			
				INTL.	DS
1	0001			Journal opened	JS B DS
2	0010			Bird checked in (bird with overlays.	JS Bde DS
3	0100			Situation Report Negative.	JS Bde DS
4	0115			A Co at 357414 had movement to their North. Dis tance was undeterminable. Engaged with frag. grenades. Negative assessment at this time.	JS Bde DS
5	0130			A Co at 357414 had further movement to North West distance 15 meters engaged with M-79 and small arms Negative assessment.	JS Bde DS
6	0200			Situation Report Negative.	JS Bde DS
7	0300			Situation Report Negative.	JS Bde DS
8	0400			Situation Report Negative.	JS Bde DS
9	0500			Situation Report Negative.	JS Bde DS
10	0600			Situation Report Negative.	JS Bde DS
11	0601			Message from Brigade; Be prepared to change CR for the new day.	JS DS
12	0615			Log bird (potato masher 593) on station at this time.	JS DS
13	0640			Expenditures; A Co neg. he, neg wp, neg ill.; B Co 1 he, 0 wp, neg ill.; C Co OPCON 3/5 ; D Co 3 he, neg. wp, neg ill.; E Co (-) LZ Sharon 1-6 OPCON B Co ; D Co 2/12 32 he, neg wp, neg ill.	JS DS
14	0645			A Co in reference to last nights reporting of move ment (item no 4 and 5) elements were sent out to check out the area. Found 1 pair of NVA boots in good condition and were left there recently.	JS Bde DS
15	0650			All masses closed on perimeters at this time.	JS Bde DS
16	0735			Scouts birds (apache) on station.	JS JM
17	0830			Unit locations: A Co at 357414 B Co (-) 354425 2-6 at 357434 C Co OPCON 3/5 D Co at 362422; E Co (-) LZ Sharon 1-6 OPCON B Co ; D Co 2/12 at 358412.	JS Bde JM
18	0831			Scout birds have broken station.	JS JM
19	1025			Scouts birds on station (apache 11)	JS JM
20	1030			Unit locations: A Co (-) 357414 1-6 361413; B Co (-) 354425 E Co 1-6 353428, 2-6 358433, 3-6 346413, C Co OPCON 3/5; D Co (-) 366416, 2-6 368416, 3-6 363422; E Co (-) LZ Sharon 1-6 OPCON B Co ; D Co 2/12 358412, 3-6 357404.	JS Bde JM
21	1100			Scouts birds have spotted bunkers vicinity coord, 357413. A Co is moving elements toward that area to check it out. Read out will follow.	JS Bde JM
22	1130			D Co at 367416 requested emergency water due to their running out and not being able to find more. Five can are being sent.	JS DS
23	1135			Message from Brigade; today only. Unit locations will be turned in at the usual time of 1330 hours.	
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23	cont		later than 1500 hours.		
24	1155		Scouts birds breaking station.		
25	1300		Message from Bde: Higher ups at HH, has a request for all boxed 82 m.m. and 7.62 ammo for Ak 47 and Ak 47 magazines found in caches.	JS	
26	1255 (Delayed)		A Co 3-6 at 361402 found 4 spider holes 3x2x2 feet with 6 inches of overhead cover. All destroyed.	JS	
27	1310		A Co (-) at 360407.	JS	
28	1310		B Co extraction complete.	JS	
29	1330		Unit locations: A Co (-) 360407 3-6 and 4-6 at 361402; B Co 354425; CCo OPCON 2/8.; D Co (-) 367416, 2-6 366415; E Co LZ Sharon, 1-6OPCON B Co 1/8; D Co 2/12 356403.	JS	
30	1330		Lift birds on station for B Co moves.	JS Bde	
31	1339		BCo 1-6 and CP off PZ at coord 354425.	JS	
32	1357		B Co 1-6 and CP on LZ at 357383 LZ Green.	JS	
33	1400		BCo 3-6 off P4 at 354425	JS Bde	
34	1407		BCo 3-6 on LZ at 357383.	JS	
35	1411		B Co 4-6 off PZ at 354425.	JS	
36	1416		BCo 4-6 on LZ at 357383.	JS	
37	1419		B Co 2-6 off P2 at 354425.	JS	
38	1422		B Co 2-6 on LZ at 357383.	JS	
39	1423		E Co 1-6 off P2 at 354425. B Co and E Co 1-6 PZ clear.	JS	
40	1425		E Co 1-6 on LZ at 357383 B Co and E Co 1-6 complete	JS	
41	1535		A Co has two scout teams 2-1A at 365412; 3-1A at 360404.	JS	
42	1605		ACo at 360407 found 1 ammo can 2x4x10 inches, it was about 2 months old it also has some chinese writing on it the Kit carson said it was probably alot number.	JS	
43	1700		A Co at 360407 found 10 spider holes 2x2x3 feet 2 NVA mortar charge cans, 1 can 1x4x10 inches. Kit Carson said can could have been used for bandages or bandaids.	JS Bde	
44	1705		B Co 2-6 at 358384 found 1 bunker 20x7x4 feet with 3 foot of over head cover. In the bunker was: 2 pair of white pajamas, 1 carbine magazine, with 10 rounds of ammo, 1 pair surgical tweezers, 1 trigger and housing for B.A.R. : They were about 60 days old, also destroyed by Air strike or artillery.	JS	
45	1820		From Bde; 200 NVA at 360421 and are moving to KHE CUT SAT. They are presently located at 343652 rated B-2 from HAI LANG mission unknown.	JS	
46	1855		BCo report that the 1-6 element spotted movement at 357386 they saw an individual running up a hill to the North East. They engaged the individuals	JS	

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46	cont			with M-16 and M-14 and M-16. Negative assessment they could not tell what the man was wearing.	JS Bde B
47	1937			Unit locations: A Co 360407, 1-1A 363407, 2-1A 358405, 3-1A 359408; B Co 357383, 1-6A 359386, 1-6 356391, 2-6 352385, 2-1 362384, E Co 1-1 351388, E Co 1-2 351387, C Co OPCON 2/8 D Co 367416, 1-1 366418, 2-1 368416; 3-1 365416; E Co (-) LZ Sharon 1-6 OPCON B Co 1/8; D Co 2/12 356403, 1-7 353400, 2-7 358403, 3-7 355400.	JS Bde LG
48	1945			D Co 2/12 all elements in night locations.	JS Bde LG
49	1945			Unit PDS A Co 103-3-12 B Co 112-3-14 C Co 305-3-19 D Co 01-4-14 E Co 23-0-6 D 2/12 102.	JS Bde LG
50	2000			B Co reports all elements are night locations.	JS LG
51	2001			D Co reports all elements in night locations.	JS LG
52	2005			A Co 3-1A at 359408 reports movement 50 meters to their West. They have negative assessment at this time negative.	JS Bde -LG
53	2035			A Co reports all night element are in position.	JS Bde LG
54	2045			Situation Report Negative.	JS Bde LG
55	2145			Situation Report Negative.	JS Bde LG
56	2245			Situation Report Negative.	JS Bde LG
57	2345			Situation Report Negative.	JS Bde LG
58	2400			Journal closed. SUMMARY: 1st Battalion 8th Cavalry continued search and destroy operations as part of operations COMMANCHE FALLS. Co B made a C.A. at 357383. The Battalion A.O. was changed and Co's A, B, and D 2/12 began searching to the South East. Co C moved from Wunder Beach to LZ Sharon and became OPCON to 2/8th Cavalry.	JS LG

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