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L2 Sharon				TO			
S-2 S-3 1ST Battalion 8TH Cavalry				DATE	TIME	DATE	TIME
				19 Sept 68	0001	19 Sept 68	2400
ITEM NO.	TIME	DATE	DESCRIPTION, MESSAGE, ORDERS, ETC.	INL.			
1	0001		Journal Opened	JS	DS		
2	0100		Situation Report Negative.	JS	Bde DS		
3	0200		Situation Report Negative.	JS	Bde DS		
4	0300		Situation Report Negative.	JS	Bde DS		
5	0400		Situation Report Negative.	JS	Bde DS		
6	0500		Situation Report Negative.	JS	Bde DS		
7	0600		Situation Report Negative.	JS	Bde DS		
8	0630		Expenditures: A Co 25 he, 3wp, neg. ill.; B Co 30 he, 15 wp, neg. ill.; C Co OPCON 2/8; D Co 17 he, 2 wp, neg. ill.; E Co (-) LZ Sharon 1-6				
			OPCON B Co.	JS	DS		
9	0635		White 31 (charlie charlie) on station.	JS	DS		
10	0640		All ambushes closed at this time.	JS	Bde DS		
11	0800		Unit locations: A Co at 350444; B Co at 331427; D Co at 340438; C Co OPCON 2/8th; E Co (-) LZ Sharon 1-6 OPCON B Co.	JS	Bde DS		
12	0915		A Co at 351444 found 1 bundle of sticks 1 inch diameter 3 inches long. There were 7 sticks in the bundle. Thought to be used for building hootches. Thought to be approx. 7 days old.	JS	Bde DS		
13	0926		E Co 1-6 at 332424 reports finding 3 bunkers, 1 bunker was 7x4x3 feet, the other two were 5x5x3 feet. In the large bunker they found one NVA KIA. Body was clothed in a NVA uniform with a poncho covering it. Body was approx. 2 months old, cause of death could not be determined. Also found beside the the large bunker was one NVA uniform consisting of pants and shirt 1 NVA pack approx. 2 months old. Bunkers were destroyed.	JS	Bde JM		
14	0930		A Co 1-6 at 355445 found 1 small sleeping position. This position could sleep 3 people and had been used within the last 2 days.	JS	Bde JM		
15	0940		A Co 2-1 at 353436 spotted what they believe to be a tunnel. This tunnel is across the blue at 355434. A Co request element working that side of blue line to check this out being the tunnel is out of our A.O.	JS	Bde JM		
16	0955		A Co (-) at 350444 reports sighting five gooks in the open at 337459. Enemy are wearing civilian clothes. A Co requests scout bird to check out the individuals. Read out will follow.	JS	Bde JM		
17	1000		Unit locations: A Co (-) 350444 1-6 at 358443, 2-6 at 353436 3-6 at 354435; B Co at 331427; C Co OPCON 2/8th; D Co (-) at 343436, 3-6 at 340435 2-6 at 335436; E Co at 334423.	JS	JM		
18	1005		Scout birds on station.	JS	JM		
19	1008		Scout birds surveillance item no 16 reported the enemy. A Co spotted were women wood choppers.	JS	Bde JM		

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ITEM NO.	TIME	CONT.	INL.
20	1010	Scout birds also reported there was no tunnel which A Co had called in earlier (item no 15) It was reported to be a trench and was empty.	JS Bde DS
21	1045	B Co 2-6 at 337424 engaged two (2) NVA in the open wounding one. The other one escaped to the North East. Medivac for wounded NVA requested. Wounded NVA was dressed in green fatigues, negative weapons. Negative web gear. Negative assessment on other NVA that escaped at this time. Scout birds have been requested. Further readout will follow.	JS Bde DS
22	1045	D Co (-) at 343434 reported finding a trail running due North. Across this grid there is a trail running East to West. On the trail to the west is a danger sign written in Vietnamese. Believe trail is booby trapped. Checking out at this time. Read out to follow.	JS Bde DS
23	1110	Medivac complete (in reference to item no. 22).	JS Bde DS
24	1120	A Co 2-6 at 355434 found 6 dead pigs killed by Red leg (artillery). One pig had been drug into the bushes and had appeared to be eaten from.	JS Bde DS
25	1130	Further read out from item no. 21. Interrogation of the wounded POW revealed that there were two other NVA with him. The POW said that he was 18 years of age his name is PHAM VIET HUNG. He was from K company, 32 Battalion, he did not know the Division He and his two companions had been in Quan Tri gathering rice. His two companions fled North East to the high ground. One of the two that fled is armed with a AK-47. That is the only weapon the group has. The three had been trying to Cho Noi for the past 2 or 3 days but failed to do so due to the fact that everytime they revealed themselves they were fired upon. Scout birds have been requested also a Psy-ops mission has been requested.	JS Bde DS
26	1140	B Co 1-6 at 334424 found 23 bunkers. 8x6x4 feet with 8 inches of overhead cover. Bunkers were approx. 30 days old all had built in sleeping and fighting positions. All bunker positions were destroyed when found. B Co destroyed the remaining one..	JS Bde DS
27	1155	Psy-ops bird for B Co on station.	JS DS
28	1200	Unit locations: A Co (-) 350444 1-6 at 358443 2-6 at 353436 3-6 at 354435 B Co (-) 334424 2-6 at 337424 3-6 at 336426 C Co OPCON 2/8 D Co (-) 343430 2-6 at 335434 3-6 at 339430 E Co (-) LZ Sharon 1-6 At 337424.	JS Bde DS
29	1200	Scouts bird have broke station.	JS JM
30	1228	D Co (-) at 343436 found a 81 m.m. mortar booby trap. It was a pressure release type. It was destroyed.	JS Bde JM
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ITEM NO.	TIME	IN	OUT	INCIDENTS, OBSERVATIONS, COMMENTS, ETC.		INL.	
31	1520			From Bde: US MI agent from Quang Tri 0-6 rating; an unknown amount of anti-tank mines are being placed at coord 348480 to 359475 and 34448 0 to 342472.		JS	LG
32	1530			Scout birds have come on station.		JS	Bde LG
33	1600			Unit locations: A Co (2) 352438 4-6 350444; B Co 342425 C Co OPCON 2/8 D Co (-) 343436 2-6 339434, ECo (-) LZ Sharon 1-6 OPCON B Co 1/8th		JS	Bde LG
34	1610			Scout bird broke station.		JS	Bde LG
35	1725			C Co up on malaria.		JS	LG
36	1811			D Co up on malaria.		JS	LG
37	1811			HHC up on malaria.		JS	LG
38	1811			A Co up on malaria.		JS	LG
39	1825			Unit locations: A Co cp 352438 1-1A 351442, 2-1A 354437, 3-1A 357440; BCo CP 342425, 1-6A 344422, 2-3 341426, 3-6 344426, 3-0 346427, E Co 1-6 OPCON B Co 1-2 336424, 2-3 328424; C Co OPCON 1/8th D Co CP 343436, 1-3 343438, 2-3 344435, 3-3 341435; E Co (-) LZ Sharon 1-6 OPCON B Co 1/8.		JS	Bde GW
40	1838			Unit PDS; A Co 94-4-12 B Co 110-3-8 C Co 107-3-11 D Co 82-4-13, E Co 22-0-2		JS	Bde GW
41	1840			BCo up on malaria.		JS	LG
42	1840			E Co up on malaria.		JS	LG
43	1945			A Co reports all elements in position.		JS	OG
44	1945			BCo reports all elements in positions.		JS	LG
45	2000			D Co reports all elements in positions.		JS	LG
46	2000			Situation Report Negative.		JS	Bde L
47	2045			Situation Report Negative.		JS	Bde LG
48	2145			Situation Report Negative.		JS	Bde LG
49	2245			Situation Report Negative.		J	Bde LG
50	2350			Situation Report Negative.		JW	LG
51	2400			Journal closed			
				SUMMARY: 1st Battalion 8th Cavalry continued search operations in the area West of LZ Jane. Co B engaged 3 NVA at vicinity coords. 337424. One NVA was wounded and evacuated. Companies A and D made negative contact. C Company remained OPCON to 2nd battalion 9th cavalry for defense of LZ Sharon.		JS	

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