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LZ Sharon S-2 S-3 1ST Battalion 8TH Cavalry		21 Sept 68		2400	
ITEM NO.	TIME	EVENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS ETC.	INL.		
1	0001	Journal Opened	JS	Bde	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	0500	Severe weather forecast from Brigade: Thunderstorms, intermittent conditions. 500 feet obscure visibility. Visibility 1 mile at low altitudes in thunderstorms. Winds variable 15 to 30 knots gusting.	JS	Bde	DS
8	0600	Situation Report Negative.	JS	Bde	DS
9	0630	All 1/8th OP's and ambushes have closed on their perimeters at this time.	JS	Bde	DS
10	0632	Organic expenditures: A Co 36he, 15wp, ng. ill.; B Co 58he, 7wp, neg. ill.; C Co OPCON 2/8th; D Co 27he, 3 wp, neg. ill.; E Co (-) LZ Sharon 1-6 OPCON B Co 1/8th.	JS	Bde	DS
11	0800	Unit locations: A Co at 354439; B Co at 342425 C Co OPCON 2/8th; D Co at 343436; E Co (-) LZ Sharon, 1-6OPCON B Co.	JS	Bde	DS
12	0850	B Co 1-6 at 342428 found one 250 pound bomb. Bomb was destroyed.	JS	Bde	DS
13	0900	D Co (-) at 343433 found one (1) chi com grenade laying beside a trail. Grenade was not booby trapped. Has been destroyed.	JS	Bde	DS
14	1000	Unit locations: A Co (-) at 354439, 1-6 at 348444; B Co (-) at 342425, 1-6 at 340429; 2-6 at 337423; 3-6 at 338426; C Co OPCON 2/8th; D Co (-) at 346433 2-6 at 350436; E Co (-) LZ Sharon, 1-6 OPCON B Co;	JS	Bde	DS
15	1030	Scout birds on station. Further resout will follow.	JS	Bde	DS
16	1045	Scout birds breaking station. Negative findings, (Item no.s 15 and 16 in reference to item no 18)	JS	Bde	DS
17	1045	A Co 1-6 at 343447 found 1 set of footprints wearing Ho Chi Minh sandals. Prints were made either during or after this morning rain. Approx. 100 meters down the trail from where the first prints were found were another set of footprints which showed the owner was barefooted. Also made during the same period of time. Foot prints indicated the two (2) people joined and headed West down the trail.	JS	Bde	DS
18	1030	(Delayed Report) D Co (-) at 347430 spotted 1 NVA running away from the area, towards the North East. D Co did not engage this individual. Negative knowledge as to what the NVA was carrying.	JS	Bde	DS
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18	cont			<p>5 bunkers 4x4x4 feet with 18inches of overhead cover, also one large hootch. Bunkers and hootch were 2 to 3 months old and had been used recently. The NVA that was seen running away came from within one of the bunkers. Inside the hootch D Co found two cooking holes, a built in bomb shelter two cooking pots, 18inches in diameter and 10 inches high. One pot contained rice approx 3 days old the other pot contained dead fish presumed to have been used for food. Also within the hootch were 4 NVA helmets, 2 NVA mess kits, 2 NVA entrenching tools 2 U.S. canteens and 2 NVA canteens, 1 AK-47 magazine some old scraps of paper which indicated this complex was an NVA rest area. Found 18inches in front of hootch was one booby trapped chi com grenade, had pull type detonating device consisting of a wire attached to vine were tripped, the grenade would go off. Further investigation turned up 2 more hootches, negative findings inside. Also 3 more bunkers 12x12x6 feet, 1 foot of over head cover, 2 to 3 months old had been used recently. In one of these bunkers were found 8 B-40 rockets boosters, 1 antennae, negative knowledge as to what type. Hootches were burnt and bunkers destroyed. All other equipment was destroyed except for the scraps of paper and 1 B-40 rocket booster.</p>		JS Bde DS	
19	1135			<p>ACo 1-6 at 342441 found one 5 gallon can half full of gasoline. Can was marine type was not booby trapped and was destroyed. Apparently fell out of a chopper.</p>		JS Bde DS	
20	1150			<p>Message from Brigade: LRHP team 2B will be inserted at 1530 hours effective time, day group 260800 AO will be from grid 2542 East to 2742 North to 2744 West to the blue line, down the blue to 250434 South to the starting point.</p>		JS DS	
21	1200			<p>Unit location: A Co (-) at 347445, 1-6 at 342441, 2-6 at 354446, 3-6 at 344443; B Co (-) at 342425, 1-6 at 335428, 2-6 at 333424, 3-6 at 335426, C Co OPCON 2/8th D Co (-) at 347430, 1-6 at 354435, 2-6 at 354435 E Co (-) LZ Sharon, 1-6 OPCON B Co 1-8th</p>		JS Bde DS	
22	1205			<p>Further Read out from item no 18 Antennae will also be brought in.</p>		JS Bde DS	
23	1205			<p>D Co (-) at 347430 found one B-40 rocket booby trapped. Had pull release detonating device. Booby trap had a wire string across the trail. The wire was attached to a vine. If the vine was tripped the booby trapp would detonate. One E.M. tripped the booby trap but it failed to go off. Booby trap was destroyed.</p>		JS Bde DS	
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24	1210			B Co 3-6 element at 335426 spotted 5 individuals When the individuals were last spotted they were moving North West wearing green shirts. A Psyops mission was run in the area also artillery was put in. They have negative assesment at this time.		JS	Bde LG
25	1400			Unit locations: A Co (-) 345444, 1-6 342441, 2-6 344446, 3-6 344443; B Co 330426, 1-6 335428, 2-6 335425, 3-6 335426 E Co 1-6 342425; F Co OPCON 2/8th; D Co 353433; E Co (-) LZ Sharon 1-6 OPCON B Co 1/8th.		JS	Bde GW
26	1405			B Co 2-6 at 335425 found 1 cooking place 4x2 feet high. It was found sticks in the ground with a wooden frame on it. It was about 1 month old but it had been used in the last 2 or 3 days. It was about 10 feet off of the trail. It was destroyed.		JS	Bde GW
27	1420			A Co 2-6 at 348448 found 1 old U.S. position where the sumps were dug up and the garbage was all over the place. They said that the footprints that were in the location were made this morning.		JS	Bde LG
28	1600			Unit location: A Co 345444 B Co (-) 330426; 1-6 332427, 2-6 335425, E Co 1-6 OP CON 342425; C Co OP CON 2/8th; D Co 354439; E Co (-) LZ Sharon.		JS	Bde LG
29	1619			A Co 1-1 element at 343443 found 1 F shaped bunker 8x3x2 feet with negative over head cover 2 weeks old also at that location there were some loose dirt. The 1-1A element dug up the loose dirt and found one 105 artillery round. The bunker and 105 round will be destroyed.		JS	Bde LG
30	1630			A Co request medivac at 343443. They were going to blow the 105 round in item 29, It was booby trapped, One E.M. was KIA. One was ambulatory. Read out will follow on booby trap.		JS	Bde G
31	1655			Read out on item 30. It was a different 105 round it was on a trail about 10 meters away from the bunker. It was set up on a pressure release.		JS	Bde GW
32	1645			(delayed Entry) Medivac was completed to A Co		JS	Bde GW
33	1800			A Co at 345444 found a chicom grenade that was booby trapped. It had a trip wire on it that had been cut before. It was on a trail that runs through there night location. It was destroyed.		JS	Bde GW
34	1807			B Co up on malaria.		JS	Bde GW
35	1830			D Co up on malaria.		JS	Bde GW
36	1830			Unit Night locations: A Co 345444, 11A 346449, 2-1A 340442, 3-1A 344447; B Co (-) 330426, 1-6A 329424, 2-0 331428, 3-6 333423, E Co 1-6 336424; C Co OP CON 2/8th; D Co (-) 354439, CB 1-2 343436, TE 2-2 353434, A 3-2 356438; E Co (-) LZ Sharon 1-6 OP CON B Co.		JS	Bde GW
37	1835			C Co up on malaria.		JS	Bde GW

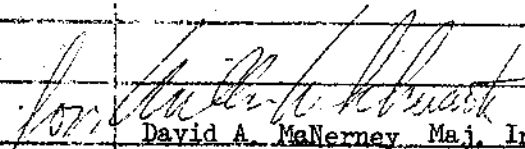
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38	1840			Unit P.D.S: A Co 101-3-16; B Co 113-3-13; C Co 107-4-12 D Co 82-4-12, E Co 82-4-13	JS Bde GW
39	1845			A Co up on malaria.	JS GW
40	1846			E Co up on malaria	JS GW
41	1940			B Co reports all elements in night locations.	JS LG
42	1958			A Co reports all elements in night locations.	JS LG
43	1959			Situation Report Negative.	JS Bde LG
44	2000			D Co reports all elements in night locations.	JS Bde LG
45	2100			Situation Report Negative	JS Bde LG
46	2145			Situation Report Negative	JS Bde LG
47	2245			Situation Report Negative.	JS Bde LG
48	2340			From StingRay 6: There are indications that the enemy may be preparing for offensive operations within the next 2 weeks. Intelligence reports that between the 20th and 25th September is the most likely time. Attacks will be carried out against outlying targets so as to draw friendly forces away from vital areas. Attacks will consist of Mortar, sapper, or light ground attacks of limited duration.	JS SF
49	2345			Situation Report Negative	JS SF
50	2400			Journal closed	JS SF
SUMMARY: 1st of the 8th Cavalry continued search operations, 3 to 4 kilometers West of LZ Jane a chaf hoi program combined with a cease fire was conducted from 1200 to 1300 hours with negative results. Numerous booby traps were found through out area. Company A had 1 KIA and 1 WIA from a booby trap. Company C remained OP CON to 2nd of the 8th Cavalry for defense of LZ Sharon.					
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