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LZ Sharon		FROM TO			
S-2 S-3 1ST Battalion 8TH Cavalry		DATE	TIME	DATE	TIME
		27 Sept 68	0001	27 Sept 68	2400
ITEM NO.	TIME	IN	OUT	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, 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	0430			Message from Brigade: Inform B Co and D Co to check fire all 81 m.m. mortar fire for the next 20 minutes. There will be an infra red mission put in the box of these grids form. 2239 to 2539 to 2243 to 2543. BCo and D Co told to check fire.	JS DS
7	0500			Situation Report Negative.	JS Bde DS
8	0600			All 1/8th O's and ambushes have closed their C.F. locations at this time.	JS Bde DS
9	0600			Organic Expenditures: A Co 30 he, neg. wp. , neg. ill.: B Co 33he, neg. wp. , neg. ill. C Co 30he, 15 wp. neg. ill.: D Co	JS DS
10	0710			A Co 3-6 off PZ At 290420 PZ clear of A Co 3-6 element.	JS Bde JM
11	0715			A Co 3-6 on LZ at 1/8th pad A Co 3-6 and extraction complete.	JS Bde JM
12	0800			Unit locations: A Co (-) at 290420, 3-6 LZ Sharon B Co at 263423; C Co OP CON 2/8th; D Co at 224436 E Co LZ Sharon.	JS Bde DS
13	0925			Message fro Brigade: Change of password for 27 September 1201 hours to 28 September, 1200 hours. New password is fruit low.	JS DS
14	1000			Unit locations: A Co (-) at 290420, 1-6 at 293420 2-6 at 291417, 3-6 LZ Sharon; B Co (-) at 263423, 2-6 at 262423, 3-6 at 263415; C Co OP CON 2/8th; D Co (-) at 224436, 2-6 at 225437, 3-6 at 222441; E Co LZ Sharon.	JS Bde DS
15	1005			A Co 1-6 at 293420 found the remains for an old hootch site, a prox. 2 months old. Had been destroyed by fire. Negative findings in or around hootch.	JS Bde DS
16	1005			A Co 2-6 at 291417 found fresh cuttings on an overgrown trail. Cuttings were approx. 2 days old.	JS Bde DS
17	1055			A Co 2-6 at 295416 reports that further on down the trail in reference to item no #16, they found more fresh cutting and fresh tracks consisted of 1 or 2 individuals wearing NVA tennis shoes. Tracks were a prox. 1 day old, possibly hours old. Tracks were headed South East. Further down the trail they found 1 U.S. type cigarette partially smoked. Cigarette had been freshly smoked. This trail runs South East. They also found another trail with fresh cuttings that branched off due East of the trail mentioned before. Both trails are being checked out at this time, further	JS Bde DS

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18	1140			All back log complete at this time.	
19	1140			D Co at 223442 reported finding two (2) dead NVA wearing kaki uniforms. Negative web gear and negative weapons. Both were buried and were approx. 2 days old. Thought to have been killed by ARA. D Co also found 5 bunkers and 5 booby traps at this location. They sent 2 squads out to check area and elements report movement. The 2 squads left at that hawk eye also report movement at this time further read out to follow.	
20	1145			Scouts birds requested for D Co (reference to item NO 19).	
21	1155			Brigade scouts on station.	
22	1200			Unit locations: A Co (-) at 290420, 1-6 at 295420, 2-6 at 295416, 3-6 LZ Sharon. B Co (-) at 261429, 1-6 4-6 at 263423, 2-6 at 261424, 3-6 at 264414; C Co OP CON 2/8th; D Co (-) at 224436, 2-6 at 225439, 3-6 at 223442; E Co LZ Sharon.	
23	1215			A Co 1-6 at 295420 found enemy latrine and 1 bunker 4x5x3 feet with 3 inches overhead cover. It had not been used within the last month it was destroyed.	
24	1245			D Co reports that the 3-6 element at 219438 has what they think a cache so far they have spotted 12.7 m.m. ammo and medical supplies. They are sweeping the area at this time to clear it of any NVA or VC farther read out will follow.	
25	1400			Unit locations: A Co (-) 298419, 1-6 295416, 2-6 295416, 3-6 LZ Sharon; B Co (-) 261424 1-6 263423, 2-6 261424, 3-6 264414, C Co OP CON 2/8th; D Co (-) 224436 1-6 221441, 3-6 219438, E Co LZ Sharon.	
26	1450			Reference no 19 at 1140 hours: D Co 3-6 at 223442 they found 6 booby traps in a circle around 2 graves. The booby traps were made of C ration cans filled with C-4 and glass there were negative markings telling that they were there. These were destroyed. Also at that location they found one bunker 5x5x3 feet with 1 foot of over head cover. it was 1 month old it was destroyed.	
27	1450			A Co 1-6 at 302418 found 1 spider hole, 3x3x2 feet with 6 to 8 inches overhead cover. The spider hole was about 2 weeks old; A Co 2-6 at 300418 found tracks of 2 or 3 people wearing Ho Chi Minh sandals the tracks went to the North East down the blue, the 2-6 element figured they were made this morning so at this time they are following them and the 1-6 is set up as a blocking force.	
28	1550			Reference no 24 at 1245: D Co 3-6 at 219438 has found 1 7.62 AK 59 serial no. 372603, Russian made.	
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28	cont			MAS-36 serial no. 59196, 300 round 12.7 m.m., 200 round 9 m.m., 20 rounds 45 calibre, 1 pick and pick head, 4 chi com grenades, 1 AK 47 bayonet, 2 flashlights, 4 canteens and canteen cups, 2 were US, 2 were NVA, 1 chinese radio receiver, 2 kaki uniforms, 1 pair slippers, 2 US canteen covers, 3 laundry bags, 1 m-16 ammo pouch, 1 sweat shirt, 3 pairs shorts, 2 black shirts, 1 US fatigue shirt, state side type, 1 chicom grenade carrier, 1 magazine for chicom weapon, 1 US blanket, 1 filter for chicom gas mask, 2 small rolls of time fuse, 1 can of US soybean oil, 5 books what appears to be a log books, 5 bunkers 5x10x4 with 3 feet overhead cover, 2 bunkers 8x2x5 feet with tunnels leading from the bunkers, the tunnels are 3x4x0 feet with 3 feet of overhead cover, 2 hootches made of grass 6x10x5, 2 kitchens 3x6x8 feet all had been made within the last month, 5 different types of medicine for a total of 21 bottles of medicine.				JS Bde GW	
29	1600			Unit locations: A Co (-) 299419 3-6 LZ Sharon, ; B Co (-) 250418 2-6 258426; C Co OPCON 2/8th; D Co E Co LZ Sharon.				224436 JSBde GW	
30	1642			From Brigade: Weather reports isolated thunderstorms and rain storms in AO 280400 to 280900, 500 scattered 1000 overcast, 1 mile visibility in thunderstorms and rain storms, wind variable 12 to 25 knots.				JS LG	
31	1830			Unit night locations: A Co (-) 299419, 1-1A 299418 2-1A 297419, 3-6 LZ Sharon; B Co (-) 250418, 1-2 247419, 2-1 251420, 3-2 252417, 3-0 OP 75 meters South; C Co OPCON 2/8th; D Co (-) 224436, CB 1-2 224435 TB 2-3 225437, A 3-2 223437; E Co LZ Sharon				JSBde GW	
32	1832			D Co up on malaria.				JS LG	
33	1895			B Co up on malaria.				JS LG	
34	1845			A Co up on malaria.					
35	1850			From Brigade 3A: Boundary change effective 271930 Sept from present boundary; from 2137 East to 2737 North to 2741 East to 3441 South of this will be 1/12 and North will be 1/8th.				JS LG	
36	1900			C Co up on malaria.				JS LG	
37	1930			Unit P.D.S. A Co 71-3-14; B Co 111-3-15 C Co 92-4-12 D Co 92-4-11 E Co 52-2-2				JS Bde LG	
38	2000			Situation Report Negative				JS Bde LG	
39	2100			Situation Report Negative.				JS Bde LG	
40	2200			Situation Report Negative.				JS Bde LG	
41	2300			Situation Report Negative.				JS Bde LG	
42	2320			From Brigade: 1 flight carrying a daisy cutter at 1545.				JS LG	
43	2400			Situation Report Negative.				JS Bde LG	
44	2400			Journal Closed.				JS LG	

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SUMMARY: 1st Battalion 8th Cavalry continued search and clear operations in the Eastern Bay Long Valley area. Company A found fresh track and bunkers in vicinity of 295416. D Co. found 2 NVA KIA buried and a cache of medical supplies and weapons in the vicinity of 223442. E Co. remained at LZ Sharon and C Co. remained OPCON to 2/8th Cavalry.

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