

ORGANIZATION OR INSTALLATION LOCATION			PERIOD COVERED	
S. 2 S. 3 1st Battalion 8th Cavalry LZ Mustang			11 Dec 68 0001 11 Dec 68 24	
TIME	TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	IN
NO				
1.	0001	Journal Opened.		JS WP
2.	0058	From Brigade; 2 SIAR hotspots at grids 240710 and 270720 time on target 0100 hours 10 Dec 68.		JS WP
3	0100	Situation Report Negative.	Bde	JS WP
4	0200	Situation Report Negative.	Bde	JS WP
5	0300	Situation Report Negative.	Bde	JS WP
6	0400	Situation Report Negative.	Bde	JS WP
7	0500	Situation Report Negative.	Bde	JS WP
8	0743	All 1/8th O's have closed on CP locations.	Bde	JS WP
9	0744	Organic expenditures: A Co negative expenditures; B Co 1 he.; C Co 45 he, 23 wp.; D Co 13 he 1 wp; E Co 81 he.		JS LG
10	0800	Unit locations: A Co LZ Mustang; B Co 283781; C Co LZ St. Barbara, OP 3 281681; D Co 283781; E Co LZ Mustang.	Bde	JS LG
11	0824	BDA on airstrike for grid 358785; 6 2x5 foot bunkers damaged.	Bde	JS LG
12	0950	From Brigade; Usually reliable source that there is an enemy force within 700 meters of XT 366922. Within 500 meters of XT 342952 and within 1250 meters of XT 367808 (early morning).		JS LG
13	0955	Unit locations: A Co LZ Mustang OP 6 100 meters to the West; B Co (-) 283781, 1-6 279775, 3-6 278779; C Co (-) 283696 3-6 and 4-6 LZ St. Barbara. D Co (-) 283780, 2-6 278784, 3-6 281790; E Co LZ Mustang.	Bde	JS LG
14	1000	From Brigade: Boundry extension for sniffer mission requested by 2nd brigade and approved by 1st brigade. From present boundry to 450817 to 450780 to present boundry. From 120830 to 121000.	Bde	JS LG
15	1040	From Brigade enemy location within 700 meters of XT 461774.		JS LG
16	1040	Scout aircraft at 298747 spotted 3 individuals and engaged with mini-guns with negative assesment.	Bde	JS DG
17	1055	(Reference #16) The individual had negative weapons and were wearing OD shirts and shorts.	Bde	JS LG
18	1105	(Delayed entry) From Brigade: enemy location within 500 meters of XT 362948.		JS LG
19	1200	Unit locations: A Co (-) LZ Mustang, 1-6 at 377820, OP 6 100 meters West. B Co (-) 283781, 1-6 (-) at 279775, 1-1 at 273774, 1-2 at 271771, 1-3 at 272786, 3-6 at 283775; C Co (-) at 287703, 3-6 and 4-6 LZ Barbara, OP 3 at 281681.; D Co (-) 283780, 2-6 at 273783, 3-6 at 281790 E Co LZ Mustang.	Bde	JS JM
20	1225	From Brigade: locations of major headquarters indicate within 500 meters of XT 151985.	Bde	"S JM
21	1235	From Brigade enemy force within 400 meters of XT 382934 and 750 meters of XT 394942.		JS LG
22	1255	Requested for 12 Dec 68 Charlie charlie aircraft 0700 hours and first and last light recon.	Bde	JS LG
23	1300	Battalion 2 requested sniffer from brigade to be flown at following grids; 2773; 2776, 4076, 4073. There are signs of heavy enemy movement in that area and scout aircraft spotted and engaged 3 individuals in vicinity coord. 295743 earlier.		JS JM
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ITEM NO	TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES	ACTION TAKEN	IN
24	1345	Gary Owens 6A at LZ Mustang at this time.	Bde	JS JM
25	1345	Unit locations: A Co (-) LZ Mustang, 1-6 at 370818, OP6 100 meters West. B Co (-) at 283781, 1-6 (-) at 272775, 1-1 at 273778, 1-2 and 1-3 at 272776, 3-6 at 283775. CCo (-) at 284704, 3-6 and 4-6 at LZ Barbara, OP3 at 281681. D Co (-) 283780, 2-6 at 274786, 3-6 at 282786. E Co at LZ Mustang.	Bde	JS JM
26	1350	Gary Owens 6A has departed from LZ Mustang He had the wrong location.	Bde	JS JM
27	1355	D Co 2-6 has closed on CP location with negative findings.	Bde	JS JM
28	1448	Battalion 6 enroute to LZ Mustang.		JS JM
29	1451	D Co 3-6 closed on CP location.	Bde	JS JM
30	1453	ACo 1-6 closed on LZ Mustang with negative findings.	Bde	JS JM
31	1531	C Co (-) closed on LZ Barbara with negative findings.	Bde	JS JM
32	1600	Unit locations: A Co LZ Mustang, OP6 at 100 meters West. B Co (-) at 283781, 1-6 at 272776, 3-6 at 283775; C Co at LZ Barbara, OP3 at 281681 D Co at 283780, E Co at LZ Mustang.	Bde	JS JM
33	1614	B Co 3-6 closed on CP locations with negative findings.	Bde	JS JM
34	1620	Scout aircraft (White 33) is on LZ Mustang with power failure. On landing he broke a skid.	Bde	JS JM
35	1814	Unit locations: A Co (-) LZ Mustang OP 1 100 meters North, OP2 100 meters East, OP3 100 meters Southeast, OP4 100 meters South, OP5 100 meters Southwest OP6 100 meters West.; B Co (-) at 283781, mass 1-6 at 272771, OP 2-2 135 degrees 50 meters OP 3-1 140 degrees 100 meters; C Co (-) LZ Barbara, OP3 at 281681 D Co (-) at 283780, mass 1-6 at 270791, OP 2-2 75 meters West, OP 3-1 50 meters; OP 3-2 100 meters South South East; E Co (-) LZ Mustang, OP 7 100 meters North West.	Bde	JS JM
36	1820	Unit P.D.S: A Co 97-5-8 B Co 120-5-14 C Co 110-4-11 D Co 105-5-9 E Co 61-2-1;	Bde	JS JM
37	1825	B Co 106 massive at 272771 reports they have sprung their ambush, they believe they have 4 enemy KIAs readout to follow.	Bde	JS JM
38	1825	From Brigade enemy force within 3700 meters of 395800. Usually reliable source of information.	Bde	JS JM
39	1835	Readout to Item #38: B Co 106 massive was just moving into position when they spotted 4 individuals moving West to East on Hwy. 247. They engaged these individuals with small arms at approx. 100 meters away with negative assesment. These individuals evaded to the West after returning 1 to 2 rounds of small arms fire. The 1-6 massive will set up another ambush to the North East grid to follow.	Bde	JS JM
40	1845	Organic clearance effective until 0600 hours 12 Dec 68; LZ Mustang 0 to 6400 2 KM B Co and D Co 0 to 6400 2 KM.		JS JM

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41	1855	From Brigadier General's element in report to Bde vicinity of grid 382869. (late afternoon) usually reliable source.	Bde	JS JM
42	1904	All 1/8th elements up on malarai.		S JM
43	1905	B Co 1-6 ambush will set up at grid 279775.	Bde	JSJM
44	1905	Jim bowle turned into brigade;	Bde	JS JM
45	1915	All 1/8th ambushes and OPs in position.	Bde	JS JM
46	2000	Situation Report Negative.	Bde	JS JM
47	2005	Further readout to B Co 1-6 contact, the lead man of the 4 individuals engaged wore a tiger suit with a flop hat. The others were dressed in blue and gray clothes. These four individuals detected the 1-6 element in the area and the lead man yelled in vietnamese "Whos there" at which the 1-6 element opened fire. The enemy returned small arms fire and also fired and also fired a B-40 rocket which hit a tree. B Co 1-6 took negative casualties. The 1-6 element saw 2 individuals evade to the West but did not know where the others went to. B Co kit carson believes these 4 individuals were part of larger force.	Bde	JS JM
48	2100	Situation Report Negative.	Bde	JSJM
49	2125	Big Duke 10 requested an additional AB-577 from Stringer 1-0.		JS WP
50	2159	From brigade: At grid 390790 a moving target was observed. Artillery will be called in.		JS WP
51	2200	Situation Report Negative.	Bde	JS W
52	2213	From Brigade, an air strike for 12 Dec 68 will go in at 0930 hours grid 352791.		JS WP
53	2300	Situation Report Negative.	Bde	JS WP
54	2400	Situation Report Negative.	Bde	JS WP
55	2400	Journal Closed.		JS WP

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