

| ITEM NO | FILE | INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | AUTHORITY TAKEN | REMARKS |
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| 1.      | 0001 | Journal Opened                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | JS              | WP      |
| 2.      | 0100 | Situation Negative                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | JS Bde          | WP      |
| 3.      | 0200 | Situation Negative                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | JS Bde          | WP      |
| 4.      | 0259 | From Bde, readout of an infrared mission of 13 Dec 68.<br>Grid.                      Hotspots                      Grid.                      Hotspots<br>271631                      13                      369606                      1<br>283633                      1                      387627                      1<br>293630                      1                      235632                      1<br>253637                      1                      217639                      4                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                 |         |
| 5.      | 0300 | Situation Negative                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | JS Bde          | WP      |
| 6.      | 0400 | Situation Negative                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | JS Bde          | WP      |
| 7.      | 0500 | Situation Negative                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | JS Bde          | WP      |
| 8.      | 0550 | On elements up for stand to. A/Co 0545; B/Co 0527; C/Co 0538; D/Co 0538; E/Co 0537.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | JS Bde          | WP      |
| 9.      | 0600 | Situation Negative                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | JS Bde          | WP      |
| 10.     | 0645 | Organic Expenditures; A/Co Negative, B/Co 72 HE 0 ILL 0 WP, C/Co 70 HE 0 ILL 15 WP, D/Co 42 HE 0 ILL 0 WP, E/Co 41 HE 0 ILL 30 WP.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | JS              | WP      |
| 11.     | 0725 | Form Bde All 1/8 Air Lifts have been delayed 2 hours. 1st PZ at 1200 hours.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | JS              | WP      |
| 12.     | 0730 | All 1/8 OP's & Massives have closed on CP locations with exception A/Co OP-6 & C/Co OP-3.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | JS Bde          | WP      |
| 13.     | 0735 | B/Co 3-6 @ 269771 is reconing the area of contact of last nights ambush has found 2 bodies from last night NVA & 2 AK 47's. Further readout to follow.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | JS Bde          | WP      |
| 14.     | 0747 | From Bde: There will be an Arc Light going in at grid 195805. Time On Target 1420 hours.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | JS              | WP      |
| 15.     | 0810 | Unit Locations; A/Co LZ Mustang, OP-6 100 meters West; B/Co 278775, C/Co LZ St Barbara, OP-3 281681; D/Co 278775, E/Co (-) 377822, 4-6 LZ Mustang.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | JS Bde          | WP      |
| 16.     | 0830 | B/Co (Ref item 13) reconing area of last nights contact region 269771. Found 2 AK 47's rifles serial numbers 1005781 and H06701 2 NVA canteens, 10 full AK 47 Magazines 50 lose AK 47 rounds, 2 Chi Cham hand grenades, 7 first Aid Dressings, 2 plastic & gauze type gas masks, 1 plastic water container similar to US disposable water blivats, 2 GI spoons, 2 NVA belts, 1 Mirror, 3 NVA Ammo pouches. Also in the area was some expended AK 47 brass and 2 drag marks down a trail with blood indicating someone had been drug away. They found 2 bodies (previously reported) These bodies had on dark OD NVA uniforms and OD underwear, had a flap hat. They reported a confirmed total of 3 NVA KIA as one of the individuals they confirmed last night was not wearing a shirt and the bodies found today were fully clothed. The bodies found were carrying no food and are believed scouts. | JS BDE          | WP      |
| 17.     | 1000 | Unit Locations; A/Co (-) LZ Mustang, 1-6 365822, Op-6 100 meters West; B/Co 278775; C/Co LZ St Barbara, OP-3 281681; D/Co 278775; E/Co (-) 38824, 4-6 LZ Mustang.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | JS Bde          | WP      |

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LZ MUSTANG

0601 14 Dec to 2400 14 Dec

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| 19.     | 1030     | A/Co (-) @ 390824 found 5 bunkers 5'x4'x4' with 2' of overhead cover. 4 canisters that look to be from artillery rounds. These canisters and bunkers were approximately 4 months old. Canisters are being brought in for inspection. Believe 105 mm.                                                                                                             | JS Bde                 | CA       |      |          |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |                        |    |    |
| 20.     | 1050     | From Bde; Air Strike for 1300 hours has been slipped to 1520 hours 14 Dec.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | JS                     | CA       |      |          |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |                        |    |    |
| 21.     | 1130     | From Bde: Scout Aircraft spotted at 212831 1000 ft of trench line, 75 bunkers of various size, several tunnel entrances. The area showed recent heavy use. 175 and 8 inch rounds are being put in by artillery. TOT 1000 14 Dec.                                                                                                                                 | JS                     | CA       |      |          |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |                        |    |    |
| 22.     | 1130     | From Bde: Hot spots from infra red mission. Time on target 0415 to 0625 14 Dec.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                        |          |      |          |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |                        |    |    |
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| Grid    | Hotspots | Grid                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Hotspots               |          |      |          |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |                        |    |    |
| 386849  | 3        | 365822                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 1                      |          |      |          |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |                        |    |    |
| 376857  | 1        | 382787                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 4                      |          |      |          |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |                        |    |    |
| 381857  | 3        | 313813                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 15 believed arty fires |          |      |          |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |                        |    |    |
| 23.     | 1145     | Unit Locations: A/Co (-) LZ Mustang 1-6 365822, OP-6 100 meters West; B/Co 278775, C/Co (-) LZ St Barbara, OP-3 281681, D/Co 278775, E/Co (-) 390830, 4-6 LZ Mustang.                                                                                                                                                                                            | JS Bde                 | CA       |      |          |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |                        |    |    |
| 24.     | 1307     | Lift aircraft on station.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | JS                     | CA       |      |          |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |                        |    |    |
| 25.     | 1345     | Unit Locations: A/Co (-) LZ Mustang, 1-6 365822, OP-6 100 W. B/Co @ 278775; C/Co 1-6 CP on LZ @ Vic 332739 LZ Green                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | JS Bde                 | CA       |      |          |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |                        |    |    |
| 26.     | 1451     | C/Co 3-6 & 2-6 off PZ at LZ St Barbara.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | JS Bde                 | CA       |      |          |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |                        |    |    |
| 27.     | 1459     | C/Co 3-6 & 3-6(-) on LZ @ vic. 332739.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | JS Bde                 | CA       |      |          |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |                        |    |    |
| 28.     | 1500     | E/Co (-) @ 388833 found 2 filled containers 1 container was full of shotgun mortar fuses and the other had seven charges there will be sent in for inspections (4 fuses)                                                                                                                                                                                         | JS Bde                 | CA       |      |          |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |                        |    |    |
| 29.     | 1502     | C/Co 2-6 (-) & 4-6 off PZ at LZ St Barbara PZ clear of C/Co.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | JS Bde                 | CA       |      |          |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |                        |    |    |
| 30.     | 1507     | C/Co 2-6 (-) & 4-6 on LZ @ vic 332739 CA & C/Co complete @ Vic 332739.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | JS Bde                 | CA       |      |          |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |                        |    |    |
| 31.     | 1510     | From Bde: Results of sniffer mission ran 1310 hrs to 1350 hrs 14 Dec 68. Continuous reading from 222653 to 222651. Single reading at following grids: 188672, 205670, 212669, 219669, 229652, 230656, 229675, 220675, 238665, 23665, 249665, 249665, 253659, 259666, 259663.                                                                                     | JS Bde                 | JM       |      |          |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |                        |    |    |
| 32.     | 1516     | B/Co 3-6 & 4-6 (-) off PZ @ 278775.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | JS Bde                 | JM       |      |          |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |                        |    |    |
| 33.     | 1518     | From Bde; The 1st Bde has granted the following boundary extensions to 2nd Bde; #2 From 450777 SW TO 400750 E to 440750. #2 From 530750 SW to 520740 S to 520720 NE to 560740 N to 560750 Both # 1 & #2 eff. 15 1200 to 151700.                                                                                                                                  | JS Bde                 | JM       |      |          |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |                        |    |    |
| 34.     | 1524     | B/Co 3-6 4-6 (-) on LZ St Barbara.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | JS Bde                 | JM       |      |          |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |                        |    |    |
| 35.     | 1524     | Scout aircraft has reported spotting one enemy vic of grid 304744. The Scouts engaged with automatic weapons fire with Negative assessments. Scouts also spotted bunkers in that area.                                                                                                                                                                           | JS Bde                 | JM       |      |          |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |   |        |                        |    |    |

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| 36.     | 1535 | B/Co 4-6 (-) & 1-6 (-) off PZ @ 278775.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | JS Bde       | JM |
| 37.     | 1540 | B/Co 1-6 (-) CP off PZ @ 278775. PZ Clear of B/Co                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | JS Bde       | JM |
| 38.     | 1540 | B/Co B/Co 4-6 (-) & 1-6 (-) on LZ St Barbara                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | JS Bde       | JM |
| 39.     | 1552 | B/Co 1-6 (-) CP on LZ St Barbara B/Co & extraction complete on LZ St Barbara.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | JS Bde       | JM |
| 40.     | 1555 | D/Co 1-6 CP off PZ @ 278775.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | JS Bde       | JM |
| 41.     | 1555 | From Bde; Bde 6 and Div 6A enroute to LZ Mustang ETA 25 to 30 min.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | JS S-3       | JM |
| 42.     | 1600 | D/Co 1-6 CP on LZ vic. @ 332739.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | JS Bde       | JM |
| 43.     | 1605 | D/Co 3-6 & 4-6(-) off PZ @ 278775.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | JS Bde       | JM |
| 44.     | 1605 | E/Co (-) has closed on LZ Mustang.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | JS Bde       | JM |
| 45.     | 1605 | From Bde 3m; Closing of LZ Mustang will begin 15 Dec 68. The 1/8 will move to LZ Grant as a temporary fire base.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | JS Bde       | JM |
| 46.     | 1612 | D/Co 3-6 & 4-6 on LZ @ 332739                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | JS Bde       | JM |
| 47.     | 1619 | From Bde: Lighting Bug Mission to be run P.M. 14 Dec 68<br>#1 From 480714 SW along Hg 244 to 452685 S to 454636.<br>#2 From 400733 SSE along trail to 413633.<br>#3 From 394632 NE to 373608 E to 488639.<br>TOT - #1 - 2230 hrs. #2 - 0200 hrs.                                                                                                                                                                                                       | JS S&S       | JM |
| 48.     | 1619 | D/Co 4-6 (-) & 2-6 off PZ @ 278775. PZ clear of D/Co                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | JS Bde       | JM |
| 49.     | 1620 | Delayed entry - Bn 83 has requested air strike to be put in vic @ 304774. Scout Aircraft spotted one enemy and bunkers in that area.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | JS Bde       | JM |
| 50.     | 1629 | D/Co 4-6(-) 2-6 on LZ vic @ 332739. D/Co & extraction complete.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | JS Bde       | JM |
| 51.     | 1630 | Unit Locations: A/Co LZ Mustang OP-6 100m West,; B/Co @ LZ Barbara; C/Co @ 332739; D/Co @ 332739; E/Co @ LZ Mustang                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | JS Bde       | JM |
| 52.     | 1505 | Bde 6 & Biv 6A has departed form LZ Mustang.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | JS Bde       | JM |
| 53.     | 1730 | Bde CO reported that scout aircraft had contact with NVA in the open. Vix @ 220642. Scouts had reported 14 NVA KIA were confirmed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | JS           | CA |
| 54.     | 1801 | Unit Night Finale Locations: A/Co (-) LZ Mustang, OP-1 100m North Op-2 100m East, Op-3 100m SE, Op-4 100m S, Op-5 100m SW, OP-6 100m W; B/Co @ LZ Barbara; C/Co(-) @ LZ Barbara; C/Co(-) @ 334739, OP2 35m NE, OP-3 35m, C/Co(-) @ 334739, OP-2 35m NE, OP-3 35m. NW, mass 1-6 @ 340735 PRC 25 - 9, SS-5. C/Co m-60-6, 90mm 0, 81mm-1, PRC 25-11 SS-3; D/Co M-60 - 6, 90mm-0, 81mm-1, PRC 25 - 11 SS-3. E/Co M60 - 2, 90mm -0, 81mm -3, PRC 25-9 SS-3. | JS Bde       | JM |
| 55.     | 1920 | All 1/8 ambushes & OP's in position                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | JS Bde       | JM |
| 56.     | 2000 | Situation Negative                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | JS Bde       | WP |
| 57.     | 2100 | Situation Negative                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | JS Bde       | WP |
| 58.     | 2200 | Situation Negative                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | JS Bde       | WP |
| 59.     | 2210 | From Bde, Big Duke should be prepared to move 3 companies plus artillery to the sugar mill area in Navejo Warhorse's AO near grid 432072. It will be an all organic aircraft move. The elements on Mustang will pullout on the following day. The 1st Bde 25th Division will take over base defense                                                                                                                                                    |              |    |

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| 59.     | cont. | of LZ St Barbara. The move would take 2½ hrs. per sortie and a pathfinder team would be inserted prior to Big Duke's elements insertion. | JS Bde       | WP |
| 60.     | 2330  | From Bde Big Duke will move 3 rifle companies plus headquarters plus artillery (minus 2 tubes) to the sugar mill area.                   | JS           | WP |
| 61.     | 2400  | Situation Negative - Journal Closed                                                                                                      | JS Bde       | WP |

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