

S-2, S-3 1st Battalion 8th Cavalry, LZ Tracy

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ITEM NO	TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	
22.	1105	B/Co 1-6 @ 361149 found 1 bunker 5'x4'x2' with 1 1/2' of overhead cover. There was some loose rice in the bunker. B/Co believes the bunker had been used as a rice cache in the last 4 or 5 days.		
23.	1110	C/Co @ 408107 had an EM trip a chi cham handgrenade that was booby trapped but the grenade didn't explode. They also found 1 bunker with wet camouflage. The area had had movement in past hour.	JS Bde	CA
24.	1110	D/Co @ 361075 found 4 bunkers 8'x10'x4' with 2' of overhead cover the area had not been used recently. Bunkers destroyed.	JS Bde	CA
25.	1130	C/Co @ 406108 found 1 saw, 1 machete, 4-5 fresh cut trees a man trap 3'x4'x2' lined with pungy stakes.	JS Bde	CA
26.	1200	Unit Locations: A/Co LZ Tracy; B/Co (-) 366148, 1-6 361-149; 3-6 372145; C/Co 406108; D/Co 361075; E/Co LZ Tracy.	JS Bde	CA
27.	1202	C/Co @ 410108 found 1 tin roofed hoatch plus a camp site the area showed recent use.	JS Bde	CA
28.	1224	C/Co @ 407109 found one freshly built bunker with fresh mud on top 4'x5'x4' with 1 1/2' overhead cover. 1 NVA claymore, 1 barefoot individual and 1 with Ho Chi Minh sandals had left the area moving W very recently.	JS Bde	CA
29.	1255	C/Co @ 407100 found 270 hand grenades of various types all Chi Cham, 1 good out board motor, 2-55 gal. barrels empty.	JS Bde	CA
30.	1300	In reference to item #29. The out board motor was American made and could propel a good size sampan. Manufacture name was Kohler (4 horsepower).	JS Bde	JM
31.	1345	Unit Locations: A/Co LZ Tracy; B/Co (-) 366148, 1-6 360146, 3-6 375147; C/Co 407100; D/Co 362080; E/Co LZ Tracy.	JS Bde JS Bde	Jm JM
32.	1410	B/Co 1-6 & 3-6 has closed on CP location.		
33.	1415	C/Co at 407100 has found another cache with at least 120 B-40 rockets, 70 62 mm. rds., 70 82 mm. rds., numerous propellant charges. They believe they have a map showing cache sights on the W side of the river. Readout to follow.	JS Bde	JM
34.	1445	Readout to items # 33- 101 60 mm. rds., 48 82 mm. rds., 86 B-40 rockets, 116 cans of charges (mortar type), 90 tubes of B-40 charges 1 1/2" documents, 1 NVA helmet, bag of food, 1 medic kit, 1 paddle, low of wire.	JS Bde	JM
35.	1510	C/Co has placed a case plus of trip flares on the W side of the river in hopes of detecting movement tonight in that area (407100).	JS Bde JS Bde	JM JM
36.	1515	Scout aircraft has broken station.		
37.	1520	Bn. CC picked up 4 40 lbs. bags of rice 500 m. NE of LZ Tracy. The rice was beside a camouflage sampan.	JS Bde	JM
38.	1520	The Navy boats @ Bn 3 moving S on the river enroute to Sugar Mill.	JS Bde JS Bde	JM JM
39.	1520	C/Co off Navy boats at 409111.		
40.	1530	C/Co at 409111 found 2 bomb cluster units approx. 3' long. It looked like they had been an attempt to open them to		

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40.		get the bomblets out.							JS Bde	JM
41.	1540	C/Co at 409111 found 1 Chi Cam grenade and 1 ammo. box full of mortar charges.							JS Bde	JM
42.	1600	Unit Locations: A/Co LZ Tracy; B/Co 366148; C/Co 409111; D/Co 362080; E/Co LZ Tracy.							JS Bde	JM
43.	1750	Unit night final locations: A/Co LZ Tracy, OP1 NW 100m. OP2 E 100m., OP3 S 100m.; B/Co (-) 366148, mass 1-2 360148; mass 2-1 363151, mass 3-1 371150; C/Co (-) 409111, mass 1-6 409114, mass 2-6 410109; D/Co (-) 363084, mass 1-1 359084, mass 2-6 363088, OP 1-2 NE 100m.; E/Co LZ Tracy OP 4 SW 100m.							JS Bde	JM
44.	1755	Unit PDS: A/Co 101-5-9; B/Co 113-4-7; C/Co 89-4-10; D/Co 87-5-8; E/Co 51-2-1.							JS Bde	JM
45.	1755	Equipment Report: M-60 90mm. 81mm. PRC 25 SS								
		A/Co 6 0 1 12 3								
		B/Co 6 0 1 9 4								
		C/Co 6 0 1 10 3								
		D/Co 5 0 1 11 3								
		E/Co 2 0 3 7 3							JS Bde	JM
46.	1800	Jim Bowie turned into Bde.								
47.	1800	Holiday cease-fire in effect from 1800 hrs. 24 Dec. to 1800 hrs. 25 Dec.							JS Bde	JM
48.	1830	The 1/8 Cav. have coordinated night locations.							JS Bde	JM
49.	1830	Organic Clearances until 0600 25 Dec. LZ Tracy neg. clearance C/Co neg. clearance; B/Co 0-6400 2 km contact only; D/Co 0-6400 2km. contact only.							JS	JM
50.	1915	C/Co (-) at 409111 reports that they have automatic weapons fire 1 1/2 km to their NE on a 30° azimuth. Neg. friendlies in that area.							JS Bde	JM
51.	1925	In reference to item # 50- at the same time C/Co (-) heard & saw the auto. weapons fire the 2-6 mass at 410109 received small arms rounds over their heads. Do not know where they came from.							JS Bde	JM
52.	2100	Situation Negative							JS Bde	JM
53.	2135	From Bde. Tital Looker will run a lightning Bug mission along the Cambodian Border from 2125 hrs. to 2325 hrs. They will not go east of the 34 grid. They will run another mission 250200 to 250400 along the Cambodian border to north of Big Duke's. AO.							JS	WP
54.	2200	Situation Negative							JS Bde	WP
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56.	2400	Situation Negative- Journal Closed							JS Bde	WP
57.	1925	(Late entry) C/Co 2-6 mass at 410109 has spotted flash-lights 300 meters from their location approx. 50 meters from the river. (Journal Closed).								