

ORGANIZATION OR INSTALLATION LOCATION			PERIOD COVERED	
S-2 S-3 1st Battalion 8th Cav IZ Tracy			0001 14 Jan 2400 31 Jan	
ITEM NO	TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	IN
1.	0001	Journal opened.	JS	WP
2.	0100	Situation Report Negative.	JS Bde	WP
3.	0200	Situation Report Negative.	JS Bde	WP
4.	0300	Situation Report Negative.	JS Bde	WP
5.	0400	Situation Report Negative.	JS Bde	WP
6.	0500	Situation Report Negative.	JS Bde	WP
7.	0600	All 1/8 Co's up for stand to.	JS	CA
8.	0708	B Co OP have closed on night location, 13 staying in big blue till they load boats.	JS Bde	CA
9.	0714	All OP's & ambushes have closed on their CP locations with the exception of B Co 1-3.	JS Bde	CA
10.	0750	B Co(-) moving to river, 2-6 & 3-6 remain at last nights location.	JS	CA
11.	0750	E Co, 6 wounded EM's have been sent to IZ Tracy on the log aircraft.	JS Bde	CA
12.	0800	Unit Locations: A Co 325013, B Co(-) 451048, 2-6 & 3-6 447040, C Co IZ Clara, D Co IZ Tracy, E Co(-) 434037, 4-6 IZ Tracy.	JS Bde	CA
13.	0800	Organic Expenditures: A Co negative, B Co 4 HE, 0 WP, 0 ILL, C Co 95 HE, 0 ILL, 15 WP, D Co negative, E Co negative.	JS	CA
14.	0835	Navy requested permission to insert an ambush @ 467030 tonight on the west bank of the river. Permission granted.	JS	CA
15.	0850	B Co boarding Navy craft at 457048 to return to IZ Tracy.	JS Bde	CA
16.	0855	E Co people wounded in contact of 13 Jan: LOWERY, C (frag wound L shoulder); CAWLEY, C (frag wound L buttock); LAPPE, P (frag wound L thigh); WEAVER, G (frag wound L wrist); HADLEN, H (frag wound foot); PITTMAN (frag wound scalp); MILLER, D (frag wound buttocks).	JS	CA
17.	0912	D Co moving to Sugar Mill.	JS	CA
18.	0930	D Co in pick up posture at Sugar Mill.	JS	CA
19.	0951	B Co debarking Navy craft at Sugar Mill moving to IZ Tracy.	JS Bde	CA
20.	0955	D Co boarding Navy Craft at Sugar Mill, move south on river.	JS Bde	CA
21.	1012	B Co complete on IZ Tracy.	JS	CA
22.	1015	Message concerning rules of engagement. Discussed with Bn elements between 15&17 Dec by Bn CO. Confirmation in to Bde by Bn Operations Sergeant.	JS	CA
23.	1020	Unit locations: A Co 325013, B Co IZ Tracy, C Co(-) IZ Clara, 1-6 417975, 3-6 413975, D Co 428072 and moving S on river, E Co(-) 427023, 4-6 IZ Clara.	JS Bde	CA
24.	1023	D Co 2-6 debarking Navy craft @ 458045 to recon local area. D Co (-) remain aboard.	JS Bde	CA
25.	1025	E Co(-) @ 422021 setting up for day massive and local patrols.	JS	CA
26.	1034	D Co 1-6 debarking at 464041 to recon local area. D Co 3-6 4-6 CP remain aboard.	JS Bde	CA
27.	1042	D Co 4-6 debarking @ 462020 for local recon, D Co CP & 3-6 remain aboard.	JS Bde	CA
28.	1104	Plans for day 15 Jan in to Bde.	JS	CA

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29.	1118	D/Co 3-6 put ashore at 467035 for recon CP remains aboard craft.	JS Bde	CA
30.	1138	D/Co 1-6 at 464040 found a 55 gal. drum buried in the ground. The drum contained 14-75mm recoilless rifle rds. the rounds were all in good condition. Been buried approx 1 or 2 days.	JS Bde	CA
31.	1140	C/Co 3-6 at 419984 found 1 trail 1 to 2 days old running NW to SE. The trail was made by 1 to 5 individuals.	JS Bde	CA
32.	1200	From Bde: Bde. CO desires A/Co to be inserted at 392090. Intell. report indicates unfriendlies in area. A/Co will be extracted at 1500 hrs. 14 Jan.	JS	CA
33.	1200	Unit Locations: A/Co 325013; B/Co LZ Tracy; C/Co (-) LZ Clara, 1-6 415965, 3-6 419984; D/Co (-) 458045, 1-6 464041 2-6 450045, 3-6 467035, 4-6 462021; E/Co (-) 422021, 4-6 LZ Tracy.	JS Bde	CA
34.	1205	From Bde: A LRRP team will be inserted at 325013 A/Co present location. Prior to A/Co extraction.	JS	CA
35.	1224	D/Co 2-6 at 458045 boarded Navy craft negative findings.	JS Bde	CA
36.	1225	D/Co 4-6 at 466025 found 1 3 man sleeping position about 3 days old. 1 sawpan which they destroyed. Some fish approximately 3 days old.	JS Bde	CA
37.	1238	D/Co 4-6 at 467027 present location.	JS	CA
38.	1250	D/Co change in plans sent to Bde.	JS	CA
39.	1300	D/Co 3-6 aboard Navy craft at 467035 Negative findings.	JS Bde	CA
40.	1331	A/Co has been given clearance to fire organics on grid 315015.	JS Bde	CA
41.	1331	LRRP team 32 off PZ at LZ Tracy enroute A/Co location.	JS Bde	JM
42.	1345	LRRP team 32 on LZ @ 325013.	JS Bde	JM
43.	1346	D/Co 2-6 off Navy craft at 467035.	JS Bde	JM
44.	1347	D/Co 1-6 aboard Navy craft at 464041.	JS Bde	JM
45.	1347	D/Co 4-6 aboard Navy craft at 467027.	JS Bde	JM
46.	1352	D/Co 2-6 aboard Navy boats at 467035 negative findings.	JS Bde	JM
47.	1353	Snatch mission for 14 Jan has been cancelled.	JS Bde	JM
48.	1353	Changes in plans for A/Co and D/Co for today's operation and complete plans for 15 Jan have been turned into Bde.	JS Bde	JM
49.	1358	D/Co 3-6 off Navy boats at 468028 to search immediate area	JS Bde	JM
50.	1358	D/Co 4-6 off Navy boats at 468055 to search immediate area.	JS Bde	JM
51.	1401	Unit Locations: A/Co 325013; B/Co LZ Tracy; C/Co (-) LZ Clara, 1-6 412967, 3-6 422983; D/Co (-) 458045, 2-6 467035, 3-6 468028, 4-6 468055; E/Co (-) LZ Tracy mass 1-6 (-) 422021.	JS Bde	JM
52.	1410	D/Co 2-6 on Navy boats at 467035.	JS Bde	JM
53.	1413	D/Co 3-6 on Navy boats at 468028.	JS Bde	JM
54.	1415	D/Co 4-6 on Navy boats at 468048. D/Co complete moving N on river.	JS Bde	JM
55.	1421	Div. 13 enroute to LZ Tracy ETA 15 min.	JS Bde	JM
56.	1429	C/Co 1-6 and 3-6 closed LZ Clara. Negative findings.	JS Bde	JM
57.	1501	LRRP team 3-2 was inserted at 1345 hrs. at 325013. Extraction time 17 0700 Jan. 3202 to 3200 to 3400 to 3402.	JS Bde	JM

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58.	1506	A Co 2-6 CP off PZ at 325013 (PX to CA).	JS Bde	JM
59.	1510	D Co picked their log up at the Sugar Mill-moving N on river.	JS Bde	JM
60.	1531	A Co 2-6 CP on LZ vic 395090 (LZ green).	JS Bde	JM
61.	1539	A Co 3-6 4-6 (-) off PZ @325013.	JS Bde	JM
62.	1546	A Co 4-6(-) 3-6 on LZ @ 395090.	JS Bde	JM
63.	1546	D Co 414124 requests medevac for 3 EM who hit a boobytrap 1 litter, 2 ambulatory. D Co was unloading boats ready to go ashore and the lead man hit boobytrap approx. 20 meters on shore. It was 60mm mortar rd. pressure type release.	JS Bde	JM
64.	1554	A Co 1-6 (4-6(-)) off PZ @325013 (PZ clear).	JS Bde	JM
65.	1557	A Co 1-6 4-6 on LZ @395090. A Co complete.	JS Bde	JM
66.	1600	Unit Locations: A Co 395090, B Co LZ Tracy, C Co LZ Clara D Co on boats at 414124, E Co(-) LZ Tracy, 1-6mass 422021.	JS Bde	JM
67.	1609	D Co medevac complete. Wounded personnel: FOLEY, T; WEBSTER, P; HENNEY, B.	JS Bde	JM
68.	1624	In ref to item #63, Cougar 221 was also hit but did not require medevac. Total WIA, 4.	JS Bde	JM
69.	1649	D Co off Navy craft at 414124.	JS Bde	JM
70.	1658	From Bde.: LRRP team 3-2 has made contact. Readout to follow.	JS	JM
71.	1714	D Co at 415124 requests medevac for 2 EM who hit boobytrap Both are litter.	JS Bde	JM
72.	1715	A Co at 390094 reports that their log aircraft at grid 380 spotted 2 to 3 individuals run into a bush. Scouts and Apache have been requested.	JS Bde	JM
73.	1742	D Co medevac complete.	JS Bde	JM
74.	1747	LRRP team 3-2 made contact with 5 NVA at XT325013, engaged organics. Requested extraction. A 1/9 aircraft on way.	JS Bde	CA
75.	1748	In ref to item #71, Names of personnel wounded by boobytrap (hand grenade with trip wire) are CRUISE, W; BOWLING, F.	JS Bde	JM
76.	1759	Bn 3 has called all companies to inform them of their plans for 15 Jan 69.	JS Bde	JM
77.	1810	LRRP team 3-2 extracted. They took an NVA POW who was also wounded.	JS Bde	JM
78.	1822	D Co took a detainee at 414124 military aged male. He was in a sampan in the same area where D Co got off the boats and he was detained because he was the only person in the area. D Co will keep him in their night location and extract him tomorrow.	JS Bde	JM
79.	1831	The navy will supply 1/8 Cav 2 tango boats and 2 fast boats for 15 Jan operation with B Co.	JS Bde	JM
80.	1845	Ref item #78: The Navy will pick up the detainee and the sampan he was in and take him to the jail at the Sugar Mill until the morning.	JS Bde	JM
81.	1858	We have checked with Sugar Mill in ref M-16 they found, it did not check with one B Co lost. Also M-79 we found does not belong to people at Duc Hue.	JS Bde	JM
82.	1901	D Co 418123 recieved one round of AK fire from NE and one round from E approx. 250m out. They will engage with Arty.	JS Bde	JM

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83.	1915	Unit Closing Finales: A Co 390095, ambush 1-1A 392095, 2-1A 389090, 3-1A 387094, B Co(-) LZ Tracy, OP1 SSE 100m, OP2 SSW 100m, OP3 NNW 100m, OP4 100m, OP5 E 100m, OP6 SE 100m, C Co(-) LZ Clara, OP1 412977, OP2 417975, OP3 418972, OP4 416970, OP5 413969, OP6 411972, D Co 418123, ambushes 1-1 416123, 2-1 421126, OP1-1 NW 100m, OP3-1 E 100m, E Co 4-6 LZ Tracy, (-) 1-6 CP ambush 419008, 1-5 421014.	JS Bde	JM
84.	1920	Unit FDS: A Co 107-4-10, B Co 110-1-7, C Co 109-3-8, D Co 109-5-6, E Co 50-1-1.	JS Bde	JM
85.	1921	Equipment reports remain the same.	JS Bde	JM
86.	1929	D Co reports negative further sniper fire and Arty was put in with negative assesment.	JS Bde	JM
87.	1930	Jim Bowie into Bde.	JS Bde	JM
88.	1939	Organic clearance: C Co 3200 to 6400 2 KM, 6400 to 3200 1 1/2 KM, D Co 6400 to 3200 1KM, A Co 0 to 6400 1 1/2 KM.	JS Bde	JM
89.	1951	The detainee picked up by D Co has been dropped off at the Sugar Mill and is presently in Jail.	JS Bde	JM
90.	1956	The detainee taken by D Co was released thru the permission of Bn 6. This individual was well known by the national police and they also ok'd it. This individual was going up the river to purchase some religious items and was on his way back when stopped by D Co.	JS Bde	JM
91.	2037	Following area are to be checked by Scouts in the morning (1st Light) A 1/8 vic 390092, D 1/8 vic 415125, LRRP vic 325014, LZ Clara, E 1/8 419009, vic 4603.	JS	JM
92.	2103	From Bde.: In ref to LRRP team 3-2 contact; After A Co was extracted vic 325013 the LRRP's moved into a tree square to the south of A Co old location. After arriving in the tree square they spotted 2 ind. approx. 200meters away coming toward the tree square. These 2 were moving from SW to NE. At the same time part of the LRRP's were in the SW corner of the tree square setting out claymores when the GI setting out claymores spotted 2 more enemy approx. 6 to 10 ft away. The LRRP's and enemy exchanged fire and LRRP's blew a claymore the enemy evaded to the SW	JS	JM
93.	2125	Ref to a POW taken by D Co 2/12 XT367193. His unit was the 25th Engineer Company, 7th Regiment, 9th Division;		

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93.		his mission was to plant mines and booby traps in the area and he had been there for 2 days; he had no information regarding his unit's future plans; his base camp was in Cambodia; no information was given regarding rank.	JS S-2	WP
94.	2143	From Bde., negative airstrikes has been approved for 15 Jan.	JS	WP
95.	2145	From Bde., A 1/9 1850 hrs. XT382016 spotted 1 dirt bunker 5'x8' newly constructed; trails in area indicate heavy recent use. A 1/9 1900 hrs. XT391019 spotted 1 concrete bunker, 5'x10', full of water.	JS	WP
96.	2150	Air plans and change in plans for C/Co for 15 Jan. submitted to Bde. by Bn 3.	JS Bde	WP
97.	2155	Usual reliable source indicates an enemy force of unknown size and unit designation at 276103.	JS S-2	WP
98.	2225	Lancing reported contact at 430055 and suffered 1 WIA. Dustoff is tied up and a medivac is requested through us.	JS Bde	WP
99.	2300	Readout ref. item #98: Lancing Zulu was dropping off a patrol at 430055 when they received automatic weapons fire and 3 RP rounds. They had 1 WIA and took him to Remittance location. Dustoff had several missions already scheduled and Medivac was requested through us. WIA is a litter patient.	JS Bde	WP
100.	2305	From Bde., 25th ARVN has requested a clearance from Big Duke to put air strikes into our AO from 0700 hrs. 15 Jan at XSL25872, XSL47960, and XSL29031. 0700-1700	JS	WP
101.	2310	Medivac for Lancing complete.	JS Bde	WP
102.	2340	Ref. item #100, Bn. 6 cleared the three grids for air strikes for 15 Jan.	JS Bde	WP
103.	2358	Situation Negative	JS Bde	WP
104.	2400	Journal Closed	JS	WP
105.	2400	(Delayed entry) Further readout on LRRP contact. It is believed there were 6 to 10 enemy in the tree square. Apache aircraft came on station and reconned by fire while the LRRP's searched for bodies. They found one wounded VC, 1 AK47 rifle and 75 AK47 rds. The LRRP's indicated there VC appeared to know exactly where they were going and is believed they were sitting on the border watching for troop movement and when A Co was extracted they moved across the border to their location. This wounded VC (shot in legs) had only his weapon and ammo on him therefore it is believed these people were not on a specific mission and are local VC operating on the border to observe and harass GI troops. Could not get a unit for VC but will receive more information after POW is questioned further.	JS S-2	JM

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106. 2400 The 1st Bn, 8th Cav continued operations along the Ban Van Dong River and surrounding area today. Significant findings for today are as follows: 14 75mm recoilless rds. JS WP

107. 2400 Journal closed. JS WP

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1. The above information was obtained from a confidential source who has provided reliable information in the past. It is believed that the information is true and accurate. It is further believed that the information is of great value to the Government and should be disseminated to the appropriate authorities. It is recommended that the information be disseminated to the appropriate authorities for their consideration and action.

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