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S-2 S-3 1st Battalion 8th CAV LZ Trzev			00001 to 2400 17 FEB 1969	
ITEM NO	TIME	INCIDENTS, OBSERVATIONS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	IN
1.	0001	Journal Opened	JS	WA
2.	0100	Situation Negative	JS Bde	WA
3.	0200	Situation Negative	JS Bde	WA
4.	0305	C/Co 3-6 ambush had a grenade thrown inside their perimeter resulting in LEM being wounded. EM is litter patient and Bn 50 at LZ Elrod has requested a dust off from the Navy. C/Co requested artillery clearance to saturate area which was granted by Bde. READOUT TO FOLLOW.	JS Bde	WA
5.	03101	C/Co 3-6 ambush is in contact with unknown size enemy force. Blue Max and Flair Ship have been requested. Medivac ship has set down at LZ Elrod because Bn 65A has negative commo with C/o at this time. Commo Commo through Artillery contact has broken (0320).	JS Bde	WA
6.	0325	From LZ Elrod (Bn 50) E/o recon spotted 2 individuals across blue line from their position at 361877 indiv. have not been engaged.	JS Bde	WA
7.	0340	Further Readout item 5: C/Co 3-6 ambush has movement all around location at this time, estimate 20 to 30 individuals, have had several trip flares go off. spotted 3 or 4 individuals in trip flares, engaged with frags, claymores, 79, major movement from SW 0345, Flair ship is over C/Co FOB at this time with Flairship has negative commo at this time with C/o. 0350 Flairship has commo with C/o. Further Readout to follow	JS Bde	WA
8.	0345	E/Co RECON has negative movement at this time	JS Bde	WA
9.	0415	Further Readout item 7: C/o 3-6 ambush with aerial flares being dropped they have spotted negative movement full commo has been established at this time.	JS Bde	WA
10.	0445	Further Readout C/o - Medevac aircraft is on standby will go to C/o location when Blue Max has expended and finished, C/o has one liter case. Flair ship will expend all flares over C/o artillery will continue arial flares after flair ship has expended.	JS Bde	WA
11.	0455	C/Co CONTINUED - Individuals believed to be closing on 3-6 ambush position because of blue max. C/Co 3-6 will open fire with small arms and give Blue max better sighting of positions	JS Bde	WA
12.	0500	From Bn E/Co RECON with negative commo.	JS Bde	WA
13.	0505	Item # 12 commo with E/Co reestablished	JS Bde	WA
14.	0515	Bn 3-A has requested scout aircraft in morning.	JS Bde	WA
15.	0540	A/Co 1/9 aircraft will be on station at first light will contact C/Co on there internal.	JS	WA
16.	0450	Delayed entry blue max broke station at C/o location	JS Bde	WA
17.	0550	All 1/8 units up for stand to	JS	CW
18.	0610	From C/o Coto best of his knowledge 3-6 ambush had no small arms fire at them. 3-6 ambush recieved 2 grenades And had a lot of movement	JS	CW

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19.	0629	Medevac enroute to C/Co B-6 Ambush site.	JS	CW
20.	0656	C/Co 3-6 Ambush has a sampan about 6' in front of there ambush site cannot tell if anything is in it at this time futher readout to follow-	JS Bde	CW
21.	1710	Medevac Complete. 3rd Field hospital in saigon	JS Bde	CW
22.	0711	E/Co OP's closed LZ Tracy	JS	CW
23.	0715	C/Co CP 1-6 2-6 moving to 3-6 ambush site at this time 4-6 staying in night FOB to take care of backlog	JS	CW
24.	1700	Delayed flairship broke station	JS Bde	CW
25.	0736	A/Co OP's and massives closed on FOB	JS	CW
26.	0746	All 1/8 OP'S and massives closed.	JS	CW
27.	0758	C/Co WIA roster # 121 SP/4 KINNARD, JAMES E. US 56 729 997 taken to 3rd Field Hospital Saigon	JS Bde	CW
28.	0759	C/Co has 2 KIA NVA @ 376931 the KIA'S had no weapon were carrying chicom grenades also some documents and maps. En Co will pick up the documents and maps C/ believes one of these ind. to be an officer the ind. had fraudulent ID cards RVN TYPE	JS Bde	CW
29.	0812	Unit Locations: A/Co 413039, E/Co LZ Tracy C/Co 377928, C/Co 3-6 376931, 4-6 379941, D/Co LZ Elrod E/Co 1-6 361877 E/Co 4-6 LZ Tracy	JS Bde	CW
30.	0850	E/Co 1/6 has a trail running SW towards LZ Elrod. checking this out.	JS	CW
31.	0900	C/Co 1-6 at 374929 found: 3 socks of rice 25 lbs. 1 pair NVA sandals some documents to be sent in, 24 AK-47 rounds 1 old water jar. looks like they were left last night.	JS Bde	CW
32.	0910	D/Co 2-6 left LZ Elrod at 0830 local patrolling around LZ	JS	CW
33.	1000	UNIT LOCATIONS: A/Co 413039, E/Co LZ Tracy, C/Co 377929 4-6 379941, D/Co LZ Elrod D/Co 2-6 334863, E/Co 358 876, E/Co 4-6 LZ Tracy.	JS Bde	CW
34.	1020	Airstrike request for 18 feb same as those requested for 17 feb. Turned into Bde.	JS Bde	CW
35.	1026	E/Co 1-6 At 355872 found 4 to 5 sleeping positions 3 trails running west. well traveled.	JS Bde	CW
36.	1027	XXXXX-6-332857 found some sleeping positions D/Co 2-6 at 323857 found some rations similar to US LRP's. Possible ARVN (to be dent in)	JS Bde	CW
37.	1115	From Bde: Boundary deletion to 2nd Field Force AO keep out 2 EFF. 17 1000 FEB to 30 2400 SEPT. to 270915 to 327897.	JS	CW
38.	1137	From Bde: At Grid 373934 a FAC plane spotted 25 to 35 ind. with weapons. Blue Max was on station and A 1/9 scouts were sent in area.	JS	CW
39.	1148	Plans for 18 FEB into Bde	JS Bde	CW
40.	1150	A 1/9 had negative findings at grid 373934. Return- ing to LZ Tracy.		

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41	1200	Unit locations A/Co 413039, B/Co LZ Tracy, C/Co., 379941, D/Co LZ Elrod D/Co 3-6 345835, E/Co LZ Elrod E/Co. 46 LZ Tracy	JS Bde	CW
42	1230	D/Co 36 Returned to LZ Elrod D/Co complete	JS	CW
43	1350	Unit locations A/Co 413039, B/Co LZ Tracy, C/Co 379941, D/Co. LZ Elrod, E/Co LZ Elrod 4-6 LZ Tracy	JS Bde	SA
44	1351	Air requests turned into Brigade	JS Bde	SA
45	1402	D/Co 1-6 leaving LZ Elrod SE	JS Bde	SA
46	1405	General Forsythe ETA Tracy 15m	JS	SA
47	1430	(Reference item 28) C/Co found 4 Chi Com grenades on KIA's bodies	JS Bde	SA
48	1431	Division Commander arrived LZ Tracy	JS Bde	SA
49	1445	Division Commander departed (from Bde)	JS Bde	SA
50	1450	Photo report: XS 521933 1 bunker, XS501950 3 fish traps, 1 bunker and 1 mud hut, 3 foxholes, 60 meters south of canal junction. XS301965 11 foxholes with 1 anti aircraft position, 50 meters from canal junction. XS 299178 1 anti aircraft position west main canal. XT 301971 1 anti aircraft position, 20 foxholes east of canal. XT 301976 3 anti aircraft position 20 foxholes 100 meters from canal junction.	JS S-2	SA
51.	1615	(from Bde) grid @ XT 343138 has been asked to be cleared for pre-planned CS mission 19 Feb 0800 hrs. Awaiting readout	JS S-2	SA
52.	1620	A/Co has sent a man into LZ Tracy by way of Scout birds who had cut his hand and requires stitches Sp/4 Jimmie Wallace RA 11627794	JS	SA
53.	1630	A/Co EM arrived LZ Tracy	JS	SA
54.	1700	Iron Brigade: Sniffer mission XS357949 XS 374969 max sniffer reading	JS S-2	SA
55.	1706	Iron Brigade, FAC bird reports their sighting earlier this day was to SE of C/Co location	JS S-2	SA
56.	1707	Iron Brigade; a night hunter team will be at our location prior to 1800 for a briefing on mission	JS	SA
57.	1740	FAC birds reports possible mortar position at grid @XS 352845	JS S-2	SA
58.	1755	D/Co 1-6 closed on LZ Elrod	JS Bde	SA
59.	1830	Unit Closing A/Co 413039; 1-1a massive 413042; 2-1a massive 413037; 3-1a massive 410038. B/Co LZ Tracy OP 1-3 W-100 Meters; OP 2-2 N-100 Meters OP 3-1 E-100 Meters. C/Co 377942; 1-6 massive 388940; 2-6 massive 368941. D/Co LZ Elrod; 3-6 massive 361880. E/Co LZ Elrod; 4-6 Tracy OP-1 S- 100 Meters	JS Bde	SA
60.	1830	Unit FDS A/Co 85-3-8; B/Co 91-3-8; C/Co 67-4-7 D/Co 92-3-6; E/Co 56-1-2	JS Bde	SA
61.	1830	Jim Bowi turned into Brigade	JS Bde	SA

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62.	1900	Iron Brigade: VR 1500 hrs. at grid XT 398000 FAC bird reports numerous trails to bunker complex	JS S-2	SA
63.	1930	Iron Brigade: Intelligence report at grid XT 473065 2 NVA companies. At grid XT 455105 1 NVA company from civilian sources. US rating F-6	JS S-2	SA
64.	1930	Night Hunter team on LZ Tracy for briefing (1715)	JS	SA
65.	1931	A/Co massives in place	JS	SA
66.	1949	C/Co & D/Co massives in place	JS	SA
67.	1949	Iron Brigade: Boundary Extension requested for 9th Infantry 19 Feb 1800 hrs grid 3376 North 3383 North East 4388 East 5088. Approved by an S-3	JS	SA
68.	2005	B/Co OP's in place	JS	SA
69.	2030	Boundary extension passed on to Elred station	JS	SA
70.	2040	From MACV: Requested clearance on grid 415045 to 463038 to fire on west bank of river on suspected VC Battalion location-- C-3 rating. Also grid 436087 to 436081 where 2 VC companies are suspected. F-3 rating.	JS S-2	SA
71.	2046	Navy requests clearance on grids 457045 to 463038. Grid cleared by Navy and 1/8 CAV. Awaiting clearance from Redlegs.	OS Navy JS	SA
72.	2059	Airstrike for 18 Feb 393136 0930 hrs napam	JS	SA
73.	2119	Navy item #71 requests we hold artillery on standby at this time. Navy has boats working area at this time.	JS	WA
74.	2149	From B/Co on LZ Tracy, request to fire illumination with M-79. B/Co has spotted movement in perimeter wire, between perimeter and OP 1, readout to follow.	JS Bde	WA
75.	2150	Organic clearance for A/Co 32 ⁰⁰ to 64 ⁰⁰ mills, 2 Km from 64 ⁰⁰ to 32 ⁰⁰ , 500 meters, C/Co 2KM all around, D/Co 1 1/2 KM all around.	JS	WA
76.	2159	From Bde. the CA for A/Co & D/Co has been canceled	JS	WA
77.	2159	From B/Co further readout item #74, illumination was fired with M-79, 2 individuals were spotted in wire on perimeter fence. Individuals were adults, individuals moved out of wire and back towards village. 25th ARVN advisers were notified, if more individuals are found in wire, they will apprehended or engaged.	JS Bde	WA
78.	2210	Change in plans for 18 Feb sent to Bde.	JS Bde	WA
79.	2220	Situation negative	JS Bde	WA
80.	2245	From Bde-3 to Bn-3 there will be a meeting at 0900 II P.F. Command conference room at Long Binh. Aircraft will be at LZ Tracy at approx. 0730 hrs, 18 Feb.	JS Bde	WA
81.	2300	Situation negative	JS Bde	WA
82.	2355	Situation negative	JS Bde	WA
83.	2400	Journal closed	JS	WA

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84. 2400

17 Feb- C/o 3-6 massive had 2 grenades thrown into perimeter. 1 US WIA. Had movement all around them so engaged with small arms to help Blue Max locate their position. Sanpan 6' in front of them, neg. occupants. Got 2 NVA KIA's at 376931, no weapons chi com grenades. Believes on to be officer. One had fraudulent ID cards (ARVN).

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85. 2400 Journal closed.

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