

## ORGANIZATION OR INSTALLATION LOCATION

S-2 S-3 1st Battalion 8th Cav LZ Tracy

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0001 to 2400 27 Feb

ITEM NO.	TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
1.	0001	Journal opened for 27 Feb 69	JS DWN
2.	0100	Situation negative.	JS Bde DWN
3.	0135	2/8 reports taking 12 rounds.	JS DWN
4.	0200	Situation negative.	JS Bde DWN
5.	0300	Situation negative.	JS Bde DWN
6.	0400	Situation negative.	JS Bde DWN
7.	0500	Situation negative.	JS Bde DWN
8.	0530	All 1/8 companies up for stand to.	JS DWN
9.	0600	Situation negative.	JS Bde DWN
10.	0657	B/Co OP's closed on LZ Tracy also E/Co massive closed.	JS DWN
11.	0710	A/Co massive & OP closed at this time.	JS DWN
12.	0730	From Bde: Airstrike changed to 375970.	JS DWN
13.	0800	Unit locations: A/Co 433103; B/Co LZ Tracy; C/Co 433033; D/Co 408099; E/Co LZ Tracy.	JS BDE DWN
14.	0815	C/Co received change in plans.	JS SA
15.	0840	Boundary extension requested from Bde: 430960-430900-327900-335927-335960.	JS Bde SA
16.	0845	Fac bird running VR reports 10-15 VC in open grid 344957. CC and ARA birds covering area.	JS SA
17.	0925	E/Co recon off PZ LZ Tracy.	JS Bde SA
18.	0928	E/Co recon on LZ grid 433103.	JS Bde SA
19.	0929	A/Co 2-6 CP off PZ grid 433103.	JS Bde SA
20.	0940	A/Co 2-6 CP diverted to LZ Tracy.	JS Bde SA
21.	0941	B/Co 1-6 boarded boats at sugar mill heading south.	JS Bde SA
22.	0945	B/Co 1-6 off boats at 428062.	JS Bde SA
23.	0955	E/Co at grid 433105 found fresh boat prints heading NW, recent use in last 36 hrs.	JS SA
24.	1000	C/Co 100m NE of 433033 found 5 82mm fuze canisters filled with charges. Looked as if rounds were armed at this location and then hauled away.	JS SA
25.	1010	A/Co CP 2-6 LZ Tracy, A/Co (-) grid 433103; B/Co (-) Tracy 1-6 428062. C/Co 433033; D/Co 408102; E/Co recon 433103, 4-6 Tracy.	JS Bde SA
26.	1029	A/Co 2-6 CP off LZ Tracy.	JS Bde SA
27.	1041	A/Co 2-6 CP on LZ 359130 LZ green.	JS Bde SA
28.	1047	A/Co 3-6 off PZ grid 433103.	JS Bde SA
29.	1055	A/Co 1-6 off PZ, PZ clear.	JS Bde SA
30.	1100	A/Co 3-6 on LZ.	JS Bde SA
31.	1102	Locations received from Bde for 2/27. E/Co and E/Co LZ Ayers. A/Co 503152, C/Co D/Co LZ Reed.	JS Bde SA
32.	1107	A/Co 1-6 landed LZ A/Co complete grid 359130.	JS Bde SA
33.	1145	Unit locations: A/Co 359130; B/Co (-) Tracy 1-6 437053. C/Co 433033; D/Co 403108; E/Co CP 439104, 1-1 mass. 438103 1-3 mass. 440105, 4-6 LZ Tracy.	JS Bde SA
34.	1200	E/Co at grid 438107 spotted 3 VC walking up a trail. One EM on outpost told them to halt but he was fired upon. He then returned fire wounding and capturing one, the other two evaded to the N. The individuals had 1 AK and one pistol. POW will be brought back to Tracy.	JS Bde SA

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35.	1202	C/Co at grid 439027 found 8 bunkers 3 concrete 6-8 with 1½ ft. overhead cover- destroyed. 5 bunkers 4x6x3 with 1 ft. overhead cover-destroyed. Couldn't tell if area showed recent use because it was burned off.	JS Bde	SA
36.	1210	E/Co POW is being brought to Tracy by A 1/9 aircraft. He has a severe foot wound. He had documents and ARA cigarettes	JS Bde	SA
37.	1244	B/Co 1-6 on boats at grid 439052, enroute to sugar mill.	JS Bde	SA
38.	1245	Assistant Div Commander enroute to LZ Tracy. ETA 5 min.	JS Bde	SA
39.	1250	Assistant Div. Commander at LZ Tracy.	JS Bde	SA
40.	1315	Interrogation of POW complete. Enroute to Cu Chi.	JS Bde	SA
41.	1315	B/Co 1-6 off boats at Sugar Mill.	JS	SA
42.	1330	In addition to Item #36, POW had an aid bag which was in his possession at the time of his capture. E/Co is presently searching for this item.	JS	SA
43.	1400	A/Co (-) 358132 1-6 364137, 2-6 361127, 3-6 352137; B/Co LZ Tracy; C/Co (-) 442033, 1-6 448034, 3-6 441029; D/Co 402-112; E/Co CP 439104, 1-1 438103, 1-3 440105. (Unit location)	JS Bde	SA
44.	1610	Plans sent to Brigade.	JS Bde	SA
45.	1645	A/Co believes they've spotted 5 individuals 3000 meters on a 110 degree azimuth.	JS	SA
46.	1700	Change in plans sent to Brigade.	JS Bde	SA
47.	1710	(Ref item #45) A/Co spotted approx. 5 individuals at vic KT 386123. Individuals were spotted with the aid of binoculars. A/Co will continue to observe individuals. A 1/9 aircraft will recon the area.	JS	SH
48.	1725	A 1/9 aircraft had negative findings at A/Co sightings.	JS	SA
49.	1735	(From Bde delayed 1330) All POW's will be evacuated, regardless of extent of wounds, to Tay Ninh.	JS	SH
50.	1745	(From Brigade) We will have a 1 + 2 fire fly at 2000 hrs.	JS	SA
51.	1800	Unit closings location: A/Co 358132, 1-1A mass 361132, 2-1 A 361127, 3-1A 357135; B/Co LZ Tracy OP 1-1 W 100m, OP 2-2 E 75m; OP 2-3 N 75m; C/Co 443032 1-6 mass 445040, 3-6 448031; D/Co 406112 1-6 A mass 407117, 2-6A mass 406104, 3-6A 401113; E/Co 438103 KT-1 (max) 3 KM NE from CP, KT-2 (max) 3 KM SE, from CP, (4-6) OP 1 S 100 m.	JS Bde	SA
52.	1800	Unit PDS 1/Co 109-4-12; B/Co 98-4-7; C/Co 97-5-7; D/Co 111-4-7; E/Co 66-2-2.	JS Bde	SA
53.	1800	Jim Bowie turned into Brigade.	JS Bde	SA
54.	1830	(From Brigade) readout on POW name NYGYEN VAN QUAN a VC medic with 3rd sqd. 1st platoon 2 company of AN-THUY local force. of Lang An providence.	JS	SA
55.	1830	(Intell report Brigade) 1 VC company grid 420157 150 men, 2 recoilless rifles, 2 82mm mortars plus individual weapons their CO TAM TONG mission to attack hamlet HIEU THIEN and occupy in near future. F-6 rating.	JS	SA
56.	1840	PZ grids for field elements sent to Brigade.	JS Bde	SA
57.	1900	B/Co has 4 claymore mines at each position.	JS	WM
58.	1930	All elements up on Malaria.	JS	SA
59.	1940	All OP's and massives in postions.	JS	SA

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60.	1945	D/Co internal push changed to 51.10.	JS	SA
61.	1945	B/Co OP's in position.	JS	SA
62.	1945	C/Co massives in position.	JS	SA
63.	2005	(Intell report MAC-V) 1 VC unit 407126 strength 30 men, regular uniforms. Armed with 3 75mm recoilless, 1 AA/AW plus individual weapons. 1 VC platoon grid 465046 strength 25 men 1 B-40 2 AA/AW. 1 VC platoon grid 488078 strength 25 men dressed in black with individual weapons.	JS	SA
64.	2100	From Bn to Bde Situation Negative.	JS Bde	CW
65.	2130	E/Co has a killer team in contact at 2131 spotted 2 individuals going into a hooch also spotted a sniper. Sniper fired on them with a AK. Total engagement with 12 indiv. E/Co 1-6 thinks they have poss. 3 KIA. Firing ceased at this time. (Further read out to follow).	JS Bde	AS
66.	2210	E/Co found at 442105 1-AK 47 web gear, 4 AK mag., extra AK 47 rds., 1 KIA VC, poss. 3 more KIA or WIA. Further read out to follow.	JS Bde	AS
67.	2130	2/5 A/Co had contact at grid 361152 with an estimated 20 ind. A/Co engaging with artillery/ small arms and grenades-neg. casualties at this time. A/Co 2/5 requested flareship and Blue Max (Cobra) They have 20 ind. pinned down in open at grid 361152. Blue Max and flareship on station at 2215; Blue Max receiving return fire at this time. further readout to follow.	JS Bde	CW
68.	2200	Situation Negative.	JS Bde	CW
69.	2300	Situation Negative.	JS Bde	CW
70.	2310	E/Co 1-6 at grid 442108 broke contact in area of contact they had 1 confirmed KIA VC. Also captured 1 AK 47 #10123253 During contact the killer team spotted 5 ind. 35 meters to their SE moving toward there location. E/Co engaged with M-79 and M-16 hitting 2 more. About 20 seconds later E/Co received fire from the NW & NE. The 2 ind. were drug off from the area by there comrades. The 1 KIA had a booby trap on him, trip wire type. At this time a trip flare went off compromising E/Co position. They withdrew back to grid 438-103 will recon area at first light.	JS Bde	CW
71.	2400	Journal closed Situation Negative.	JS	CW

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72. 2400 Operations for 27th of Feb. E/Co at 438107 spotted 3 VC walking up a trail. E/Co fired on them wounding 1 which they captured. He (VC) had documents & AR, cigarettes. E/Co at 422108 had contact & had 1 KIA VC. They captured 1 KA 47. JS DN

73. 2400 Journal closed.

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