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S-2 S-3 1st Battalion 8th Cav LZ Tracy			0001 to 2400 5 March 69	
LINE NO.	TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	IN
1.	0001	Journal Opened.	JS	OW
2.	0009	C/Co putting out claymores & tripflares.	JS	OW
3.	0010	Fire Fly mission complete.	JS Bde	OW
4.	0100	Situation Negative.	JS Bde	OW
5.	0110	From Bde: Requested grid XT337990 be cleared for immed. airstrike grid was clear.	JS	OW
6.	0200	Situation Negative.	JS Bde	AG
7.	0300	Situation Negative.	JS Bde	OW
8.	0400	Situation Negative.	JS Bde	OW
9.	0500	Situation Negative.	JS Bde	OW
10.	0545	All 1/8 units up for stand to.	JS	OW
11.	0550	Plans sent to companies.	JS	OW
12.	0600	Situation Negative.	JS Bde	OW
13.	0642	OP's closed on LZ Tracy, (C/Co).	JS	OW
14.	0715	A/Co OP's and massives closed at this time.	JS	AG
15.	0728	Duke Charles (CC) at LZ Tracy.	JS	OW
16.	0733	A 1/9 birds going to A/Co loc. for first light recon.	JS	OW
17.	0745	B/Co OP's & mass. closed at this time.	JS	AG
18.	0807	(Intell. report) 3 Mar. photo mission XT371039: 12 foxholes circular positions, 6 AA/AW positions.	JS S-2	SA
19.	0807	C/Co 1-6 CP off PZ (LZ Tracy).	JS Bde	SA
20.	0815	C/Co 1-6 CP on LZ (444112) (LZ GREEN).	JS Bde	SA
21.	0818	C/Co 2-6 off PZ (LZ Tracy).	JS Bde	SA
22.	0822	C/Co 2-6 on LZ (445120).	JS Bde	SA
23.	0826	C/Co 4-6, 3-6 off PZ (LZ Tracy).	JS Bde	SA
24.	0828	C/Co 4-6, 3-6 on LZ (442105) (LZ GREEN).	JS Bde	SA
25.	0835	C/Co 3-6 (-) off PZ (LZ Tracy).	JS Bde	SA
26.	0839	C/Co 3-6 (-) on LZ (442105).	JS Bde	SA
27.	0845	E/Co off PZ (LZ Tracy).	JS Bde	SA
28.	0847	E/Co on LZ grid 441025.	JS Bde	SA
29.	0848	D/Co 1-6 CP off PZ Grid 441025.	JS Bde	SA
30.	0852	D/Co 1-6 CP on LZ Tracy.	JS Bde	SA
31.	0853	E/Co off PZ LZ Tracy.	JS Bde	SA
32.	0856	E/Co on LZ 441025.	JS Bde	SA
33.	0857	D/Co 2-6 off PZ.	JS Bde	SA
34.	0900	D/Co 2-6 on LZ Tracy.	JS Bde	SA
35.	0901	E/Co complete off PZ (LZ Tracy).	JS Bde	SA
36.	0904	D/Co 3-6 (-), 4-6 off PZ.	JS Bde	SA
37.	0907	D/Co 3-6 (-), 4-6 on LZ Tracy.	JS Bde	SA
38.	0910	D/Co 3-6 off PZ (PZ CLEAR).	JS Bde	SA
39.	0913	D/Co 3-6 complete LZ Tracy.	JS Bde	SA
40.	0914	Div. commander will be at LZ Tracy 1030 hrs.	JS CO	SA
41.	0914	Airstrike requests 449000, 428013, 389096, & 395104 all suspected caches & bunkers complexes, fighting positions.	JS Bde	SA
42.	1000	Unit loc.: A/Co 361127; B/Co 428027; C/Co CP, 1-6 444112, 2-6 445120, 3-6 4-6 442105; D/Co LZ Tracy; E/Co 441025.	JS Bde	SA
43.	1036	Div. commanders visit set back till 1115 hrs.	JS Bde	SA
44.	1130	Div. commander arrived LZ Tracy.	JS	SA
45.	1200	Unit loc.: A/Co 361127; B/Co (-) 408034, 3-6 428027; C/Co (-) 441112, 2-6 445120, 3-6 442105; D/Co LZ Tracy; E/Co 441025.	JS Bde	SA

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46. 1203	1 detainee has been picked up @ C/Co loc. at 441112. Now @ LZ Tracy for questioning.	JS	SA	
47. 1240	B/Co at 410034 found 3 bunker's, 2 5'x5'x4' with 2 1/2' of overhead cover, 1 2'x3'x3' with 2' of overhead cover, 1 fairly new NVA helmet; 1 old m-16 magazine, 1 pair of NVA boots, 1 enemy bandolier, 1 well, area shows signs of recent moderate use. All items will be destroyed.	JS Bde	SH	
48. 1300	(Delayed from 1220) Division commander left LZ Tracy.	JS	SH	
49. 1320	Boundry extension requested by District (little people) 0600 -1900 6 March 486130 430125-430090-460082-500110. Boundry extension requested from 2/5th 1800 5 March till 1800 6 Mar. N of 14-03 E W grid line.	JS	SA	
50. 1325	For tomorrows operations Navy will have available 2 Tango's and the mouitar.	JS	SA	
51. 1926	(Intell report) Enemy element at 421111 sent to B/Co.	JS	SA	
52. 1355	A 1/9 at 406110 several old bunkers docking areas, trails from NW recent use. 413128-trails along W river bank 1 3'x5' bunker. 407129- fresh trail along river docking areas. 400126- 3 3'x5' bunkers spider holes recent use. 392133 - on E side of river wide trail heading E then split to several trails heading NE - E company size use in past 24 hrs. 464006 - small network of trails heading SE 10 bunkers in area. 6 had been destroyed by AS. 25 spider holes. 320-940-450820 - large NW SE trail with real recent use. Also A 1/9 reported being tracked by radar near Cambodian border.	JS S-2	SA	
53. 1400	Unit loc. A/Co 361127; B/Co (-) 408034, 3-6 428027; C/Co (-) 434106, 1-6 434108, 2-6 434105; D/Co LZ Tracy; E/Co 441-025, 4-6 LZ Tracy.	JS Bde	SA	
54. 1400	Plans sent to Bde.	JS Bde	SA	
55. 1425	II field force commander arrived LZ Tracy.	JS Bde	SA	
56. 1435	II field force commander left LZ Tracy.	JS Bde	SA	
57. 1600	Unit loc. A/Co 358132; B/Co (-) 408034, 3-6 428027; C/Co (-) 434106, 2-6 434105; D/Co LZ Tracy; E/Co 441025, 4-6 LZ Tracy.	JS Bde	SA	
58. 1700	C/Co at 434108 reports 2 males and 2 small children evaded to the N of their location these males were between the ages of 20-30. They lost them in a ville.	JS S-2	SA	
59. 1717	Boundry extension requested by 2/5th has been approved. Eff 05 1800 to 06 1800. N of 14 EW grid line.	JS	SH	
60. 1800	BDA of airstrike 2 3'x5' bunkers destroyed entire area destroyed - A 1/9. Also reported heavy trail network E W from grid 400020.	JS S-2	SH	
61. 1831	B/Co reports OP to S W of 401026 receiving AK fire from 3-5 individuals engaging with 81mm.	JS	SA	
62. 1915	Locations sent to Duc Hoa.	JS	SA	
63. 1929	B/Co reports negative findings after sweeping area.	JS Bde	SA	
64. 1930	All companies upon malaria.	JS	SA	
65. 1938	C/Co reports at 434106 at 1925 hrs. receiving tracer rds, head about 8' possibly coming from NW. Every-	JS Bde	SA	
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66. 1946	A/Co massives in position.	JS	SA	
67. 1950	Sources at Due Hue report between grids KS262995-291975 19 sampans. Grid XT257038 50 sampans. Also at grid 406194 observed 1 individual carrying 2 cylindrical objects.	JS S-2	SA	
68. 1955	E/Co at 1930 hrs. grid 441025 observed 3 individuals NE of above grid moving N at a fast rate did not engage with small arms or redleg because of distance and rate of travel of individuals.	JS Bde	SA	
69. 1950	MAC-V (Sugar Mill) Intell reports 05 1800 1 VC platoon via 431047 30 men armed with 3 B-40 launchers, 1 BAR individual AK-47's US rating F-3. 05 1630 1 G-1111 squad via 468119 15 men armed with 1 B-40 launcher, individual weapons US rating F-3. 05 1300 1 VC squad via 474073 10 men armed with 5 AK-47's, 2 carbines, 1 Thompson machine gun US rating F-3.	JS S-2	SA	
70. 2008	D/Co OP's in place.	JS	SA	
71. 1930	Detainee was delayed because of no transportation. Will be transported 06 March. Right away in the morning.	JS Bde	RH	
72. 2011	Clearance granted - Boundry; beginning at 1100 hrs. till 1900 6 March.	JS	SA	
73. 2011	Meeting to be held at LZ Tracy 0830 hrs. has been diverted to Tay Ninh at 0900 request Col. Graham's presents at that time.	JS	SA	
74. 2019	Jim Bowie complete to Bde.	JS Bde	SA	
75. 2041	Organic clearances: A/Co 1 KM all around; B/Co 2 1/2 KM all around; C/Co 1 KM all around.	JS	SA	
76. 2042	Intell. report time 05 1900 hrs. 456005 1 company VC... Engaging with artillery. Cleared by JAS (Brief sector) US A-1 rating. Combat support coord Center Duc Hoa.	JS Bde	CW	
77. 2045	O/Co had movement 100 meters to the N of grid 432105 engaged with M-79's negative assesment at this time.	JS Bde	CW	
78. 2134	E/Co 1-6 in position at 441025.	JS Bde	CW	
79. 2136	Massives and OP's in position.	JS	CW	
80. 2200	Situation Negative.	JS Bde	CW	
81. 2245	B/Co took 1 unknow type rd. at 401026 results 2 KIA US, and 5 WIA's.	JS Bde	CW	
82. 2307	B/Co reports 5 WIA at this time 2 are amp. & 3 litter.	JS Bde	CW	
83. 2318	B/Co reports 4 amp., 1 litter, 2 KIA all 17th Evac Chu Chi. Medevac complete.	JS Bde	CW	
84. 2400	Situation Negative.	JS Bde	CW	
85. 2400	Journal closed.	JS	CW	

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Operation for 5 March 69. B/Co received several incoming rds. while they were in their night location. Results were 2 UA KIA & 5 WIA. There were no other significant findings for the day.

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