

ORGANIZATION OR INSTALLATION LOCATION

PERIOD COVERED 1969
0001 TO 2100 8 May

S2 S-3 1st Battalion 8th Cav Phouc Vinh

NO.	TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGE, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	IN
1.	0001	Journal opened.	JS	SH
2.	0100	All units report situation negative.	JS	KG
3.	0100	Base defense report negative.	JS	MM
4.	0200	All units report situation negative.	JS	KG
5.	0200	C/co reports tube popping to the NNE of loc app 2-3km. Arty will engage.	JS DA	KG
6.	0200	Base defense report negative.	JS	MM
7.	0230	Change in plans sent to Divarty.	JS DA	KG
8.	0045	Delayed: B/co report 3-6 received shrapnel from supposedly 4.2 mortar rds. Nearest fire was 1 km away. Rds landed app/ 350m away on 320 azimuth 6-7 rds total.	JS DA	KG
9.	0300	Base defense report negative.	JS	MM
10.	0300	All units report situation negative.	JS	KG
11.	0400	All units report situation negative.	JS	KG
12.	0400	Base defense report negative.	JS	SH
13.	0500	Base defense report negative.	JS	SH
14.	0500	All units report situation negative.	JS	SH
15.	0600	All units report situation negative, up for stand to.	JS	SH
16.	0600	Base defense report negative.	JS	SH
17.	0620	D (-) moving W at this time.	JS	SH
18.	0621	Plans passed to D 1/9.	JS	SH
19.	0630	Reference to #1 on 7 May, area checked out wire cut and trip flare... fixed not to go off.	JS	SH
20.	0635	D (-) in position at this time 999515.	JS	SH
21.	0640	D 1/9 red team in position at this time 990510.	JS	SH
22.	0640	C 1-6 in position at this time 990519.	JS	SH
23.	0650	Plans for 8 May passed to B/co.	JS	SH
24.	0700	Base defense report negative.	JS	WP
25.	0703	In reference to #8, rds landed by B 36 were 105's for sensing devices.	JS	TB
26.	0720	Potato Maher 799 on station C/C equipped with a console.	JS	TB
27.	0730	Reference to #61 on 7 May concerning radar picking up the movement of 15 indiv at 974511, C 16 check out today.	JS	TB
28.	0740	Plans for 8 May have been sent to companies.	JS	TB
29.	0742	Chicken Man Yellow 1 reports on station. Flight leader today.	JS	TB
30.	0800	Base defense report negative.	JS	WP
31.	0820	Black Hawk 2C reports at 057454 2½' dia. covered with stick was spotted '(hole). Believed to be tunnel entrance from BD.	JS	WP
32.	0825	Black Hawk 2C called BD and reported that at 0815 024448, spotted NE-SW trail 6" wide used by 2-3 indiv within last 20 hrs 3 new fighting positions found along trail.	JS	WP
33.	0830	Black Hawk 2C called BD and reported that at 020443, 8 bnks ranging in size from 8x10, 10x12. Also and 8x10 hootch found with 6x8 bunker underneath, recently used by 2-3 indiv.	JS	WP
34.	0835	Process 55 MACV reports that they are half way through the process and are now lining the people up for paper checks.	JS DA	TB
35.	0855	Indiv from village going to wood cutter's box this morning had an unusually large number of ox carts 25 may be hiding equipment in carts, message relayed to D/co to be on the alert for ox carts. In reference to cordon.	JS	RV

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TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGE, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	IN
36. 0900	B se defense report negative.	JS	WP
37. 0912	B ² (-) CA from 939551 to vic 906584; 0845 lift off PZ, 0859 lift on LZ LZ green, 0907 lift off PZ, 0912 lift on LZ.	JS DA	TB
38. 0925	D 1/9 readout on U-6 aircraft ground to air fire reported 7 May 2000; Savage near grid of reported ground to air fire, 925495 heard and saw no such fire, aircraft probably reported incorrect grid and may have been mislead by friendly fire vic 925442 that caused tracer rounds to glance from the ground. 1st light recon of area resulted in neg findings.	JS DA	RV
39. 0932	C 3-6 secure to secure from assault strip to LZ 944523; 0926 lift off PZ 0932 lift on LZ.	JS DA	TB
40. 0946	C (-) secure to secure from 944523 to assault strip for QRF PV; 0932 lift off PZ, 0935 lift on LZ, 0943 lift off PZ, 0946 lift on LZ.	JS DA	TB
41. 0943	0809 at 057454, 2 1/2 diameter hole covered with sticks, 0815 at 024448 6" NE-SW trail used by 2 to 3 indiv moving SE within the last 36 hrs also found 3 new fighting positions, 0820 at 020443 8 bnks 8x10 10x12 1 10x8 hut with a 6x8 bnk underneath it, recent use by 2 to 3 indiv.	JS S2	RV
42. 0950	Black Hawk 2C reported to BD that at 0940 038465 8" NE-SW trail showing no use in last 24 hrs. 0955 BH 2C reported to BD that at 0950 084496 Cav spotted 6 bnks 8x12 showing no recent use.	JS	WP
43. 0945	BH 2C reported to BD that at 042460 1000m of trench spotted 6 bnks 4x6 recent use; 18" trail used by 20 indiv moving S in last 12 hrs. Trail was followed to 250462 where it turns NW 200m of trenchline found. Also 1 bnk 8x10 with top blown off found used by 5 indiv in last 6 hrs trail turn to NW.	JS	WP
44. 1000	Base defense report negative.	JS	WP
45. 1015	Unit locations sent to Div Arty: A/co CP 035503, 16 015538, 36 028503, B/co CP 900572, 26 910557, 36 938585; C/co CP PV, 16 990519, 36 944523; D/co CP 999515, 16 000495; E/co CP 959439, 25 969452; D 1/9 white 934474, blue 913530, red 990510.	JS DA	RV
46. 1025	C 1-6 reports that they have 2 fresh sets of footprints just W of their night location 990519. 1 set of footprints was from bare feet while the other appeared to be from ARVN boots. Both sets of footprints lead to their night location and also away from the r location. The footprints gave the indication that the indiv had moved slowly to their nigh location and then appeared to have run from the location because of the heavier set of imprints. They are following the imprints at this time.	JS DA	TB
47. 1030	B 2-6 reports they were walking toward a supposedly deserted village at 904563. They could hear chickens and other animals in the village which usually indicated the presence of people. They are reconning the area with arty and then will move through for a thorough check. Further readout will follow.	JS DA	TB
48. 1045	MACV reports that on cordon, checked 73 women and 176 men with neg suspects.	JS DA	TB

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NO.	TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	0001 to 2100	8 May
49.	1100	Base defense report negative.	JS	WP
50.	1110	B 2-6 requests permission to recon to the W with M-79 permission granted by 3MC.	JS	TB
51.	1115	Unit locations sent to Divarty: A/co CP 035503, 16 015538, 36 028503; B/co CP 900572, 26 904563, 36 930584; C/co CP 2-6 PV QRF, 16 990519, 36 944523; D/co CP 003503; E/co CP 959439, 25 969452; D 1/9 white 934474, blue 929478, red NE gate PV.	JS DA	RV
52.	1118	B 26 at 904563 found bnk 4x8 with 3 overhead cover about 6 months old will be destroyed.	JS DA	RV
53.	1135	B 26 reports that at 904563 just off to the side of where they blew the bnk they found several piles of straw in a clearing which they are checking and also about 20 yds of blue commo wire which was just laying on the ground.	JS DA	RV
54.	1200	Base defense report negative.	JS	WP
55.	1212	B 26 reports at 904563 found 3 circular holes 4' diameter, 4' deep. On the bottom of these holes there was rice growing they dug up the holes with negative findings.	JS DA	RV
56.	1245	Cav 6 reports on station working D/co CA.	JS	TB
57.	1245	BDA of b-52 AS Cav 1-9: 2 8x12 bnks partially destr yed, 6 fighting positions destroyed, 1 10x20 hooch destroyed, 80m of trenchline 20m destr yed. 3 8x10 bnks destr yed, 75m of trenchline destroyed, 1 10x20 hooch part des., 4 10x20 bnks 1 bnk 8x12 des, 1 15x20 bnk uncovered, 5 fighting positions uncovered, 3 tunnels caved in, 2 4x8 bnks des, 2 10x15 bnks des, 1 8x8 hooch uncovered, 150m of trenchline uncovered, 6 16x20 bnks 3 des 3 uncovered, 1 8x10 bnk des, 1 8x15 bnk des, 15m of trenchline uncovered, 1 8x12 bunker destroyed, 1 6x10 bnk des, 1 4x10 bnk uncov, 3 20x20 bnks destr yed, total 55 bnks, 11 fighting positions, 3 hoochs, 320m trenchline JS	CW	
58.	1300	Base defense report negative.	JS	RE
59.	1330	D/co CA from 003504 to vic 088528; 1230 (-) lift off PZ# 1245 lift on LZ, 1253 3-6 lift off PZ, 1300 lift on LZ; 1308 2-6 off PZ, 1315 lift on LZ.	JS DA	TB
60.	1327	83 aircraft request sent in to Divarty.	JS DA	MG
61.	1335	0930 042460 1/9 scouts found 100m of trenchline 6 bnks 4x6 with signs of recent use. 18" NS trail used by 20 indiv within last 12 hrs. Bnks 8x10 previously damaged used by 5 indiv within last 6 hrs. 038465 18" NE to SW trail neg recent use. 084496 6 8x12 bnks neg recent use.	JS DA	CW
62.	1400	Base defense report negative.	JS	RE
63.	1415	Divarty requested clearnace for 931520 for settling base plat on 4.2 off PV. C 36 passed in ormation.	JS	SW
64.	1500	Base defense report negative.	JS	RE
65.	1500	B/co 100 heading 500 to 700m away their log bird spotted 3 tubes, sending a patrol to the location this was at 930584.	JS DA	MG
66.	1540	C v 2-6 938582 1 bnk 4x8 1 tunnel entrance 3x3 all in good shape. 937581 2 trails running E to W traveld by 10 personnel within last 24 hrs. 940583 1 8x8 hooch and 2 L shaped fight positions both were made recently and used recently.	JS DA	MG

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67. 1545	Request clearance for following grids; 084507, 073507, 070569, 024565, 006552, 975536, 957539, 064539, 081543, 073556, 046589 grids cleared by 3MB and Arty.		JS DA	CW	
68. 1600	B se defense report negative.		JS	RE	
69. 1620	B3 to D 1/9 informed to have his Blue team on a stand by static in case we cannot move D 1/8 from his present location back to vic 002472, to have them move to the SE of PV to reinforce the red team.		JSXDA	GF	
70. 1700	B/co CA from PZ 900572 to LZ 944551; PZ 1605 LZ 1612, PZ 1616 LZ 1621.		JS DA	CW	
71. 1700	B se defense report negative.		JS	RE	
72. 1645	Divarty request clearance on grid for registration till 2100 925505, 920510, 910520, 900530, 890540. Not cleared by 3MB.	JS	SH		
73. 1743	B/Co reports the following EM was injured during B (-) CA today. This EM injured his ankle while jumping from the bird at 906584. He came to PV by 1 of the lift birds after the CA was complete. He went to 15th med at PV. #223, Sampogna, Vito P. US 52774622.		JS	CW	
74. 1800	B se defense report negative.		JS	GM	
75. 1800	3MB to Divarty requested TAC E for C/C and lift birds to finish moving D 1/8 from arc light box. And log bird to log. D 1/8 2 sorties TAC E approved by Divarty.		JS DA	CW	
76. 1830	D/Co PZ 088528 for 1-6 2-6 CP, 16 lift off 1726, on LZ 1733 003503; 2-6 off 1756, on LZ 1748 978477; CP off PZ 1756 1812 on LZ 007462 1806 and 1820.		JS DA	CW	
77. 1900	B se defense report negative.		JS	GM	
78. 2000	B se defense report negative.		JS	GM	
79. 1935	Night locations sent to Divarty: D 1/9 red CP 942507, AP 942504, White CP 928470, AP 928467; AP 927473, Blue CP 911519, AP 908518; ARVN ambushes 998565, 006562, 951468, 992516, 993517, 953514, 945495; B 1/8 CP 944551, 16 CP 36 937575, 26 915552, 20 squad sized 9 platoon; C 1/8 CP 944525, 35 941530, 16 981519, 15 987523; " 1/8 963441 12 958444, 13 955435, CP 978449; A 1/8 CP 036505, 16 003526, 36 017514.		JS DA	CW	
80. 2048	Duke 10 change in Big Duke push at 2200 from 33.40 to 60.30.	JS DA		CW	
81. 2050	Divarty to 3MA 1st Div requested boundary extension 9346 W to boundary S to boundary. Granted by 3.		JS	TR	
82. 2053	Divarty reports concerning our hook request for 4A hook is laid on mission number 4G27, we should have truck and trailer ready at slingout pad at 0730.		JS SH	CW	
83. 2100	B se defense report negative.		JS	GM	
84. 2130	Trail Spike report redleg picked up movement from the sensoring devices 300m SE of B(*). Further readout shows that movement from DT's.		JS	SH	
85. 2200	All units changed to new Big Duke push 60.30.	JS		KG	
86. 2200	All units and base defense report situation negative.	JS		KG	
87. 2225	D informed that their lift for tomorrow has been set for 11 have a total of 21 sorties (-) 9, 1-6 6, as 4 strobe lights.		JS	SH	

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88	2300	All units report situation negative, also base defense.	JS KG
89	2355	All units and base defense report situation negative.	JS KG
90	2400	Summary: Negative significant findings or happening.	JS SH
91	2400	Journal closed.	JS SH

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