

ORGANIZATION OR INSTALLATION LOCATION			PERIOD COVERED 1969	
S-2 S-3 1st Battalion 8th Cav. LZ Rock			0001 to 2400 26 May	
NO.	TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, REQ.	ACTION TAKEN	IN
1.	0001	Journal opened.	JS	SH
2.	0015	Bde 3M to Bn 83M need 1 company on 30 min standby for QRF for 26 May for a convoy bringing supplies to 1/8 Cav. Standby status will begin at 0930, ending with termination of convoy (probably around 1530 or 1600). Convoy will begin at Bien Hoa, go E along route 1, then N along route 20, to LZ Libby and LZ Rock. Convoy will be escorted by 3 A/C's and MG jeeps.	JS S3	SH
3.	0100	All units report situation negative.	JS Bde	MG
4.	0200	All units report situation negative.	JS Bde	MG
5.	0300	All units report situation negative.	JS Bde	MG
6.	0400	All units report situation negative.	JS Bde	SH
7.	0500	All units report situation negative.	JS Bde	SH
8.	0600	All units up for stand to.	JS	SH
9.	0630	A/co and C/co OP's and massives closed at this time.	JS	SH
10.	0630	Bn 83M to Bn 28 (delay entry 0600) informed 28 relay to pass on to S-4 at Castle pad, that 3 dog teams would be at Castle pad at 0700. Make sure log bird picks up these dog teams before coming to LZ Rock.	JS	SH
11.	0715	Bde 3MA would like to know if 1/8 would like a combat tracker team for D/co, replied they would.	JS	SH
12.	0740	Cav 13 at 559393 trail running NE to SE with recent use in last 12 hours by 5 indiv. 557 a wooden bridge with handrail	JS Bde	MG
13.	0750	Cav 13 at 471379 200m E found 1 sampan will destroy.	JS	MG
14.	0747	Bde 3MC tracker team for D/co can be picked up by 1/8 log bird at Blackhawk pad (Phouc Vinh) at 0900, ground contact Black Hawk Landing push 51.70 team consists of 5 NM + 1 dog.	JS	RV
15.	0800	Bde 3MA message for Bn 3 3rd Bde now has 1 bird from med-evac Charlie at their location, if needed he can be contacted on 33.00 or by calling Bde (they have a hot line to bird.)	JS	RV
16.	1000	Current locations sent to Bde: A/co 556388, B/co 471379 26 472379; C/co Rock; D/co 523366, 26 cloverleafing W to E 32 523365; E/co Rock, 4 roving OP's completely around LZ.	JS Bde	TB
17.	1020	D/co 21 ambush findings 522366 found large amount of blood on the Western side of their ambush, 1 NVA helmet, 1 enemy body wearing green shirt and black pants, was killed by small arms, 2 blood trails 1 running E and 1 S. 12 clips of AK full, 2 packs, 2 AK-47, documents; serial no. weapons 10067349, 10135131 enemy KIA was confirmed NVA, weapons in good condition, believe to be 4 or 5 enemy possibly wounded 3 believe indiv were new and recently resupplied.	JS Bde	TB
18.	1020	D/co reports their 32 massive 523365 had movement. Shortly after movement stopped. Neg assessment.	JS	TB
19.	1029	A/co requests clearance to fire organics max ord 1550 az 355 distance 1600m clearance given by 65 and arty.	JS	TB
20.	1042	83 to Bde requested 18 fuogase, 6 hush flares.	JS Bde	GF
21.	1043	Bde 2M to 65 URS reports 24 May early afternoon YT 522440, 750m radius 25 May early afternoon vic YT 543430.	JS S2	KG
22.	1058	D/co reports their 26 at 524363 found a large pool of blood spilling back and engaging with redleg and then with area.	JS Bde	KG

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23. 1205	Bn 3MB to Bde 3MA requested immediate AS for 515439 request refused because very close to Command Valuts targets. Requested scout team to observe arty cannot get any scouts until sky spot goes in this afternoon, will submit grid for preplanned AS for tomorrow.	JS Bde	CW	
24. 1215	Cav 28 reports the following at 515439, 4 or 5 hooches 10x12 destroyed, 30 200lb bags of rice part destroyed, 40 shovels 100 200lb bags of salt, part destroyed, there are more supplies in the area, engaging with arty, arty report firing 9 HE rds on grid.	JS Bde	CW	
25. 1225	Rash 31 reports on station for sky spot they will going in at 1300 in the upper part of our AO continuing every 10 min	JS	TB	
26. 1225	A/co have EM with stomach cramps, request aircraft be sent to evac EM to Rock for medics to check over. Sp/4 Webber, Daniel RA 11746040 EM returned to Rock on C/C.	JS	GW	
27. 1330	D/co 26 at 525360 found fresh bnks they believe a complex to be in the area engaging with arty.	JS Bde	TB	
28. 1400	Current locations sent to Bde: A/co 556388, B/co 477383, C/co Rock, D/co 523363, 26 525360; E/co Rock.	JS Bde	TB	
29. 1715	Rash 33 on station for remainder of sky spots.	JS	CW	
30. 1730	D/co reports 75m W of 523363 found 1 B-40 new on top of ground fresh mackerel cans area showed use by 3-4 indiv. B-40 destroyed.	JS Bde	CW	
31. 1800	83 to Bde 83A lift request sent for B 1/8 6+2 17 sorties 1300 PZ time.	JS Bde	GF	
32. 1805	D/co found 2 82mm mortar rds at NL 524371 approx 1 week old lying in creek bed (dry).	JS Bde	TB	
33. 1810	A/co found 10 kilo's of rice in a hollow log. Approx 5-7 days old est will feed 1 man for 20 days grid 552396.	JS Bde	TB	
34. 1815	83 to companies plans sent to companies for 27 May.	JS	GF	
35. 1845	D/co night ambush going out from NL 524371 to the N engaged 1 NVA, found large pool of blood they are searching the area ambush found blood trail to the N indi was carrying weapon Indiv was wearing olive green uniform.	JS Bde	KG	
36. 1925	83 plans for 27 May: A/co RI to vic 561401 and thoroughly search area within a 500m radius. Est NL and ambush in area. D/co by 12.0 assume PZ posture vic 473380 for CA to vic LZ 507407 est 1 platoon size ambush in area. C/co base defense D/co RIF N along major trail employing cloverleafing and day ambush techniques. to vic 523378 est NL and ambush in area. E/co base defense. 16 day and night ambush vic 4935 and 4936 return to Rock 28 May.	JS Bde	GF	
37. 1940	A/co re ort hearing AK fire app 600-800m from their NL to the S-SE engaging with arty.	JS Bde	TB	
38. 1955	Organic clearances sent to companies: A/co 0600-4000 1 km 4000-0600 1 km; B/co 1200-2800 2km. D/co 1200-4000 500m, 4000-1200 2km; E/co 6100-1200 2km, 1200-1600 1km max ord 4100 for all.	JS	KG	
39. 2000	D/co 524371 enemy was probing NL by throwing rocks trying find were their position was.	JS Bde	MG	

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40. 2036	Night locations sent to Bde: A/co 552396, 16 80 100m, 26 01 160 75m, 36 270 125m PDS 86-3-9; B/co 477383, OP12 200 75m, OP21 70 60m, OP31 140 75m PDS 85-4-7; C/co Rock OP1 40 75m, OP2 90 75m, OP3 130 75m, OP4 160 75m, OP5 240 200m, OP6 310 75m PDS 90-4-8; D/co 524371, 12 524371 12 524373, 33 524368 PDS 79-3-9; E/co 46 Rock 16 498351 12 493353.	JS Bde	KG
41. 2048	Hatchet report sent to Bde: 2 plt size night ambushes; 1 squad size night ambushes, 2 plt size day ambushes, 1 squad day ambush.	JS Bde	RV
42. 2055	Bde will send a medevac to Rock at 1500 on 28 May to give a class on proper use of the jungle penetrator. Class will be for C/co and medics and anyone who wishes to attend.	JS S3	SH
43. 2215	83M to 1/7 65 plans for 27 and 28 May passed to 1/7 to be relayed to Bde.	JS Bde	SH
44. 2235	Duke 3 to /co CA for 27 May was cancelled.	JS	MG
45. 2234	65 to Bde 65 to relay to Bde 83 request for AS for 28 May; 525360 fresh bnk complex recent use in the area. Request 750 lb w/025 delay fuse and naplam.	JS Bde	RV
46. 2255	Change in plans for B/co for 27 May; local patrolling and ambushes vic of NL. Relocate NL and conduct ambushes.	JS Bde	RV
47. 2300	All units report situation negative.	JS Bde	MG
48. 2355	All units report situation negative.	JS Bde	MG
49. 2400	Summary: D/co 21 ambush 522366 found 2 AK 47 12 AK clips full and 1 confirmed NVA KIA.	JS	SH
50. 2400	Journal closed.	JS	SH

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