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1.	0001		Journal opened.			JS		JV
2.	0058		SLAR readings: TOT 2030-2300; 829878 1 stream,					
			821890 1 open, 850900 1 open, 856892 2 open.			JS Arty		BH
3.	0100		Negative sitrep.			JS		JV
4.	0115		E/co 6 perimeter inspected, all personnel awake					
			and alert.			JS		JV
5.	0200		Negative sitrep.			JS		JV
6.	0215		Bde: Andy 0930 15 Aug B 1/7 while conducting					
			sweep around Andy found 5 satchel charges, 2					
			B-40's, 17 ohl com grenades, 1 60mm mortar rd,					
			3 rifle grenades, 2 B-40 fuses, 50' det cord,					
			1 blasting cap, 3 shovels, 1 NVA helmet, 5 pr					
			sandals, 3 pack frames for B-40's, followed					
			trail to SW, 1 1st aid kit, 1 grave 48H old,					
			body torn apart, 1 indiv evaded to rubber. C					
			1/9 checked area w/neg findings, rubber workers					
			said PF swept area earlier finding, ammo weapons					
			and equipment. 849901 1040 A 1/4 found 12 2					
			man ambush positions along a well used road,					
			1 RPG rd, 1 ohl com grenade. 244068 1330 Bde					
			scouts found 18 bnk, 8 military structures, 1					
			trail 1 1/2' wide, military clothing, food and					
			eating utensils, AS was put in, BDA 2 bnks					
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			destroyed, 1 military structure destroyed.			
			278105 1445H Bde scouts sighted 5 bnk and 1			
			military structure, saw 2 indiv evade, engaged with			
			organics neg results. 164065 1500 Bde scouts			
			engaged 1 sampan 17-20' long, engaged w/organ-			
			ics, results 1 sampan destroyed, 166083 1520 Bde			
			scouts saw 1 indiv in open engaged w/organics			
			neg results.	JS S-2		BH
7.	0245		AS for 16 Aug: TOT 1145 900949 LD 750, 01 de-			
			lay, TOT 1520 929869 HD 500, instant fuse with			
			napalm; TOT 1600 915059, LD 750 025 delay.	JS		BH
8.	0300		In flight SLAT reading as follows: TOT 0217			
			840850 1 stream.	JS		BH
9.	0345		Sensor activated, 0323H, 860928 heavy, 860928			
			medium 0349H.	JS D/co		BH
10.	0400		Negative sitrep.	JS		JV
11.	0500		Negative sitrep.	JS		JV
12.	0600		Negative sitrep.	JS		BH
13.		0715	A/co QRF, A/co 4-6 RRF.	JS Bde		BH
14.	0715		A 1/4 reports CIDG's moving out at this time			
			to search the contact area, A-6 will remain			
			in a reaction force and move up if CIDG has			
			contact 913877.	JS Bde		JV
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	IN	OUT						
15.	0800		Log bird Ghostly Rider 41 TOS 0705, C/C Snoopy					
			25 0745H.			JS		BH
16.	0825		URS 796939 500m radius early morning, friendlies					
			are to recon this area, neg findings.			JS Bde		CG
17.		0845	3A unknown type mines located in vic of contact					
			area by CIDG's as soon as they can be extracted					
			they'll be sent to Andy have someone standing					
			by VIP pad for pickup.			JS Bde		MA
18.		0850	Bn 3 dropped 10,000 Chieu Hoi leaflets in CIDG					
			contact area 913880, before and after contact.			JS Bde		RC
19.		0850	Request AS vic 999909 suspected enemy location and					
			bnk complex, numerous xxx6, URS and agent reports.			JS Bde		MA
20.	0900		Mines found in contact area will be b/logged					
			only if they are in cases and not in use,					
			otherwise they must be blown in place.			JS A 1/4		RV
21.		0900	Request scout team to check CIDG area of con-					
			tact 913880.			JS Bde		RC
22.		0901	Request psyops bird to be employed in vic of					
			contact (9187, 9186, 9286, 9285) will be given					
			priority as soon as psyops bird arrives.			JS Bde		MA
23.	0911	X	A 1/4: 913880 over 200 bnks in this area, 1					
			CP bnk 16x16x10 w/10' OHC, a new type mine					
			further readout to follow, enemy force 141 Regt.					
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	IN	OUT					
			NVA part of 7 Div, D368 main force, also found				
			1 enemy body.	JS Bde	RC		
24.	0920		C/co 2-6 spot report at 792932 found area were				
			5 indiv had spent night, just on ground no				
			OHC, neg direction of travel for end.	JS Bde	RC		
25.	0935		Snoopy scout inbound to contact area ETA 15				
			min, on station 1028.	JS Bde	CG		
26.	1015		Request hunter killer team, CIDG spotted 2				
			squad gooks, 800m NE, arty being called in,				
			feel gooks are going back to main force, to				
			alert base camp 913880.	JS Bde	RC		
27.	1020		Unit locations sent to Bde.	JS Bde	RC		
28.	1115		BDA AS at 913877 on 14 bnks uncovered, 7 dest-				
			royed at 1729H.	JS Bde	RC		
29.	1116		Log bird report 1115 for Big Duke.	JS Bde	CG		
30.	1117		Rash 33 AS 999908 TOT 1115 request BDA, AS				
			complete 1215, BDA neg findings.	JS Bde	RC		
31.		1155	C/co 8th Eng request an operators to come to				
			Wescott to survey wire for any improvement.	JS Bde	CG		
32.	1200		A 1/4 reports sending documents and samples of armo				
			in at this time, an est age of bnk found is				
			30 days old, further readout to follow.	JS Bde	RV		
33.	1205		Bn 10 if need the Retrans freq will be P62H.	JS 10	CG		
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	IN	OUT				
34.	1240		Rash 37 AS 900949 TOT 1245 BDA negative complete			
			1400H.			JS Bde CG
35.		1329	The "mine" that was unidentified this AM, turned			
			out to be a chi com grenade.			JS Bde CG
36.		1434	Unit locations sent to Bde.			JS Bde CG
37.	1440		Bde 6 change in AO boundary follows: from 050964			
			down N-S 05 grid line, to 050998 this line			
			constitutes an new boundary line for 1/8.			JS RV
38.	1445		SLAR readings in A 1/4 AO: 860929, 821890,			
			856894, 850901, 840850, 829879, all readings			
			from 15 to 16 Aug.			JS A 1/4 RC
39.		1520	Final plans for 17 Aug sent to Bde.			JS Bde MA
40.		1528	Informed Bde 2MC to have CIDG's at VIP pad			
			at 1630 for Big Mike log bird to pick up and			
			take to Chu Linh.			JS Bde CG
41.		1540	Submitted request for CA bird 17 Aug need 6+2			
			total 18 sorties.			JS Bde MA
42.	1600		D/co medevac of heat casualty on 15 Aug, EM,			
			FNG no #, Bowley T, 8872, C 15th Med.			JS S-1 RC
43.	1600		Sky spots: 750953, 765955, TOT 161600-161800,			
			766956.			JS C/co RV
44.	1645		Granite Piller will be coming into LZ tomorrow			
			morning, it is a little people unit.			JS RC
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45.	1647=		Bde 3: PZ for CA 17 Aug XT628813.	JS		CG
46.	1725		Bde 3 on 17 Aug C/co will switch with E/co			
			1/6 on Andy, C/co will be part of base defense			
			and E/co will continue C/co's mission.	JS C & E/co=		RV
47.	1800		RF box for ARVN to clear: 8087 for 215 RF,			
			8287, 8084, 8284; 399 RF 8489, 8689, 8487,			
			8687, time 170700 171800, approved by Bn 3A.	JS Bde		CG
48.	1824		Cav bird on station 1750, for last light check			
			around LZ, neg except found 2 trail that we			
			were aware of. Complete 1810.	JS		CG
49.		1830	Requested 3 demo team and 3 mine sweep team			
			prior to 0900 (17 Aug).	JS Bde		CG
50.		1835	Hatchet report: day squad 2, plt 7; night plt 8.	JS Bde		CG
51.		1838	Night finals: A/co Wescott; D/co op con 1/7;			
			C/co 814930, 16 790924, 26 812937, 36 815945;			
			D/co 868958; E/co Wescott 16 Andy; A 1/4			
			848908, 826893; CIDG 914878.	JS Bde		CG
52.	1905		C/co 26 at 812936 found 2 spears very old native			
			style, they were lying in grass, 4 1/2-5' long.	JS		RC
53.	1717		64N bnk complex 909883, 916883, 919877, 909877.	JS		RC
54.	1935		Request boundary extension for C 5/7 who are			
			in process of tearing down LZ Ellen, from now			
			until terminated time on order, 0110, 0510, 0104			
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			0504; 1/8 no in 1/8 AO; Bde this is in 1/8 AO					
			grids for AO change will be sent later, change					
			effective 1500 16 Aug; at 2005 AO change as					
			follows: from old 5/7 boundary (river) S on					
			05 grid line to 9999 present 5/7 boundary.			JS Bde		CG
55.	2000		B 1/8 3 persons from B/co came in to QL today,					
			#57 BM 1437, #77 CC 9904, both had temp of					
			104, B/co 68M FO Spencer went in for dental					
			work.			JS		CG
56.		2005	Resupply list sent from Meat Primer 5 to Meat					
			Primer.			JS		JV
57.	1815		CIDG: Regt size (C6 -K4 Bn and K1 and K2 Bn			←		
			of 141st Regt 7th NVA Div; over 150 bnks found,					
			all very well constructed, 3 Bn size bnks, 1					
			Regt size bnk, all had FM type antenna made with					
			wire on top of the bnks along w/porches (regt					
			size 20x20, Bn size 16x16 w/30" OHC, numerous					
			kitchens and latrines, found 15 barracks, 20					
			men/barrack, 100 or more tables, 4 or 5 ovens,					
			numerous pig pens and animal cages. Neg weapons					
			find; Medicine (every conceivable kind), many					
			hundreds of pounds of clothing, misc pistol belt					
			gear, pot and pans etc, enemy evasion routes					
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	IN	OUT						
			definitely NE and SE (very heavily used trails					
			w/numerous blood pools of large size, all corn					
			and rice found was identified as that taken					
			from the raided villages, during contact friendlies					
			saw atleast 16 KIA, however when darkness came					
			and requested illumination and support were					
			unavailable, enemy recovered bodies, due to					
			blood trails and size of trails cut by enemy					
			evading friendlies est a conservative count					
			of 50 NVA KIA, also found 500 to 600 lbs salt					
			amounts of rice and corn were enormous and					
			destroyed with 40mm; Ammo finds: approx; 15,000					
			rds 7.62, 2 drums (200/rds drum RPD MG ammo),					
			200 rds US M-60, 45 rds 82mm, 40 rds 60mm,					
			10 75mm RR rds, 100 of grenades both US and					
			chi com; significant finds among grenades was					
			a new anti tank grenade, used for destroying;					
			APC's, 10 rds B-41, 10 rds B-40; equipment,					
			documents were sent in. 16 KIA confirmed					
			sent to Bde.				JS Bde	RV
58.	2040	6	A 1/4 at 827892 A 1/4 engaged 3 indiv at 30					
			meters from their position w/50 cal resulting					
			in a secondary explosion slightly wounding 3					
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			US, enemy casualties unknown, contact area			
			will be further checked in the morning WIA's			
			will not be medevaced tonight if possible.	JS Bde		JV
59.		2106	Bn 2ME request following LRRP boxes center of			
			mass, 0292, 9787, 0396 9708.	JS Bde		SH
60.	2145		A/co reports spotting a light in the woodline			
			at 1600 150m engaged with M-79 and mortars,			
			results light disappeared, also light spotted			
			engaged with 8 rds of 105 direct fire.			
			400 200m will engaged with M-79 and mortars.	JS Bde		JV
61.		2145	3A request LZ construct AS at 972908, 977918,			
			983914, 934947, on 17 Aug, request hard AS at			
			926868, 922883, on 17 Aug.	JS Bde		BH
62.	2200		Negative sitrep.	JS		JV
63.	2210		At vic XT 8489 at 2045hrs, a sling load of			
			105mm ammo was dropped by a chinook. Would			
			like to know if A 1/4 would secure it. Reply:			
			At first light A 1/4 will try to locate and			
			secure it.	JS		BH
64.	2216		Request first light team for 17 August to try			
			to locate 105mm ammo that was dropped vic			
			XT 8489.	JS Bde		BH
65.	2230		Changes in plans for 17 August and tentative			
			plans for 18 August sent to Bde.	JS Bde		BH
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