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1.	0001		Journal opened.			JS JV
2.	0100		Negative sitrep.			HS JV
3.	0200		Negative sitrep.			JS EH
4.	0300		Negative sitrep.			JS BH
5.	0330		Inflight SAR; TOT 01100-0125 955840 1 stream, too old to fire on.			JS EH
6.	0400		Negative sitrep.			JS JV
7.	0500		Negative sitrep.			JS JV
8.	0600		Negative sitrep.			JS JV
9.	0620		Sky spots: TOT 0525 01309749 8 750 lb bombs, 0233H 89257995 6 750 lb bombs, 1st light BDA has been requested.			JS EH
10.	0645		RRF D 3-6; QRF D/co for 4 Sept.			JS Bde BH
11.	0700		D/co reports CM in at this time.			JS EH
12.	0730		At 2400 LL to Bde went down and are still working on it.			JS EH
13.	0730		C/C Snoopy 16 on station 0730, log bird GR 685 on station 0720H.			JS Bde EH
14.	0736		All units had quite night, B/co spotted 1 ind early in evening with neg assessment.			JS JV
15.	0737		B/co report neg finds in area were ind spotted early last night.			JS Bde JV
16.	0720		D 31 reports neg finds on recon of Wescott.			JS Bde JV

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17.	0803	Saber 28 at 862017 spotted NW-SE trail used by 20-30 ind to the SW in last 12H, 0808H at 862022 on same trail spotted tracks of 5 bikes and est squad size force going to the SE within last 6H.					JS Bde JV
18.	0808	D/co report 16 will be pulling recon LZ 100m in woodline, neg findings.			JS		JV
19.	0857	Rash 14 AS TOT 1030 998068, complete, BDA, diverted to ground to air 027175.			JS		RC
20.	0930	Request 3 LZ constructs for 5 Sept: 985878, 998942, 888005. Request AS 875007 for 9 bns, if AS can not go in, request sky spot for same grid, also request sky spots for 902987, 884990, 875907, 889893, 833994.			JS Bde		CG
21.	0940	Request following lifts: 0830 5 Sept PZ 818939 for D/co 2-6, final extract to Wescott, no aircrafts 6+2 for 6 sorties; PZ 876989 for C/co extraction to sec NZ Wescott 6+2 18 sorties, PZ Wescott for D/co and E 16 sec to CA to LZ 026966, 21 sorties 6+2; PZ 778928 B 16 extraction to CA thru sec LZ Wescott, LZ 2 963992 6+2 19 sorties; CLG PZ LZ Elanor, direct exchange LZ 010810, 20 sorties 6+2.			JS Bde		CG

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22.	0942		Saber 28 8601, at 863044 found 3 hootches in construction, 5 bnks 8x5 no OHC, 1 entrance, 2x3 tunnel, calling in arty. At request at 0943 by 3A.				JB Bde RC
23.	1000		A/co 865920, 872909, 865929; B/co 765920, 785915, 786934, 795920; C/co 881991; D/co Wescott, 811928; E/co Wescott; A 1/4 845906; CIDG 008845.				JB Bde CG
24.	1010		Informed Bde that B/co would be walking outside wire at LZ, base acknowledge.				JB Bde CG
25.	1011		A 1/4 found piece of cloth that looked like mole skin $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$ via 845906 think it was a patch of some kind.				JB Bde RC
26.	1040		C/co 36 at 882994 found 1 2x8 bnk $1\frac{1}{2}$ OHC neg recent use full of water, 1 NE-SW trail neg recent use, C/co moving into complex found 1 carbine and some VC packs. We are firing blocking fire with 155 to N NE. 1 M-1 carbine working condition, 1 old pack some clothing, 1 AK and chi com bayonet, all was on platform 4' off ground 4x5' ide, old platform. At 1240 after searching area 881997 (downed aircraft) found personal items, ammo, helmets, binos and				

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	1 colt #15 no. 901281, 1 carbine no. 1630820.							
	1 PRC 77 no. 5265; tail section fo bird was approx 100m NE of main body of aircraft, all items were found trown all throughout the area of downed bird, total 5 bns 2x8 1/4 OMC.							
	2 flooded with water, 3 bns caving in neg recent use.						JS Bde RC	
27.	1100	Request immediate AF 817060 URS 819061 2 Sept late afternoon no radius. 816059 2 Sept late afternoon received 2300 3 Sept no radius.						JS WM
28.	1105	B/co extract to Wescott around 1300 later to CA to s c in vic of old LZ Sue 934065.						JS CG
29.	1120	Get equip ready for C/co to blow bns, C-4, det cord, blasting caps.						JS RC
30.	0900	Request info on VHF and to informed of situation Bde reply down at their end. Neg EFA wohn it will be back up at 1300 checked with Bde, still neg EFA, they donnot know what is wrong with it yet.						JS Bde CG
31.	1125	Be sure the log bird is release by 1245 to be at Bde for RF.						JS CG
32.	1200	B/co NP left B/co on their own heading for Quan Loi.						JS Bde RC
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	IN	OUT						
33.		1205	Request daisy cutter 871005, 883006, 890993.				JS Bde	RC
34.	1210		B/co neg finds moving to PZ for extraction to Wescott to CA, A/co neg findings, C/co can be found in entry 26.				JS	RC
35.	1220		An Loc reports on 29 Aug from 820933 to 863961 VC have mined the road in this area, neg rating.				JS A 1/4	RV
36.	1230		Request 6+2 for CIDG after B/co lift from PZ 010810 to Chu Linh.				JS	CG
37.	1304		Saber White will be airborne shortly to assist C/co in locating the main bunk complex, total 11 bunks, 1 51 cal post pit w/recent use, expended 51 brass, 2 bunks partially built, bunk were 6x8 w 1½ OHC, 3 bunks were 2 week old w/recent camouflage 2 days old, 1 trail heavy use on a 2400 vic 881991. 51 cal, 30 51 cal brass expended 882989 pit had tunnel 5' long into ground, believed to be place 51 was kept, complete search of area neg cache or signs of any cache sites.				JS Bde	CG
38.	1305		CIDG lift has been approved it is layed on after B/co.				JS	CG
39.	1405		Lt Grant must go to Siagon ASAP to villa 5					
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			to obtain name and permanent info on the 6 ind. Cpt Wolf on the way.				
40.	1414		A/co 873939, 862927; B/co 798930; C/co 882994; D/co Wescott, 811928; E/co Wescott: A 1/4 853913, 834894.			JS Bde	CG
41.	1440		Sniffer reading: time 0910-1110 complete 1315; 959942, 954944 bomb crater uncovered tunnel, 933943, 937953, 957953, 918977, 936000, at 1940 neg word from arty as to rds expended.			JS	CG
42.	1445		Aircraft is keying Bn net, request our equipment be checked to eliminate the failure.			JS	RV
43.	1449		A/co 2500 mill 1k from 873939 heard pop, arty is being put in.			JS Bde	CG
44.	1500		B/co on their patrol smelled decaying human bodies at 808907, possible from the 11-12 attack on QL, the patrol did not find any bodies, suggest QL check it out.			JS Bde	CG
45.	1508		D/co flare went off in woodline in front of bnk 1, engaged w/M-79 2 rds, patrol sent out and checked w/neg findings.			JS Bde	EW
46.	1233		Rash 36 dn station for AP 862001 advised of friendlies: BDA 1 bnk 8x10 dest, 3 bnks 5 x8 uncovered.			JS Bde	RV

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47.	1525		B 1/9 at 996158 2 military at 1409 engaged with org nic neg assessment; B 1/9 Saber White reports at 994158 1 bnk 1 NVA pac, 1 poncho, and 1 ind engaged with organic neg assessment.			JS		CG
48.	1530		B/co extraction PZ 798930 to LZ Wescott, 1428 off PZ, 1520 lift complete, total 20 sorties.			JS Bde		RC
49.	1531		A/co set up NL with 2 plt, 1 each at 891933, 880930, both are rocket sites.			JS		RC
50.	1630		Leaflets dropped: 8498, 8599, 8799, 8897, 9097, 8795, 8996, 8901, 8701, 8485, 9596, 9697, 9497, 9598, 8999, approx 1500 each grid.			JS Bde		RV
51.	1632		to Bde C/co found 30 expended 51 cal brass.			JS		CG
			Readout on message #40.			JS		CG
52.	1655		B/co CA from Wescott to 934965, 1st off 1630, complete on LZ 1655, 20 sorties.			JS Bde		RC
53.	1656		Request 5 boxes of Chieu Hoi leaflets be placed on C/C morning of 5 Sept.			JS Bde		RC
54.	1710		Tentative NL: A/co 861925, 26 891933; B/co 934965; C/co 881991; D 26 779921; E/co Wescott; A 1/4 851901, 847886; CIDG Elanor.			JS Bde		RV
55.	1730		Rash 33 AB at 862001 complete 1725 BDA uncovered 2 bnks 5x8.			JS		CG
56.	1731		D/co road that mines neg findings.			JS Bde		CG

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57.	1731	Request TACE for log bird, reason sorties and log and backlog for A/co and C/o, approved.		JS Bde	RV
58.	1810	Request RF box for operations 050600-051800; 199 RF Co 8688, 8686, 8888, 8886, approved S3.		JS Bde	RV
59.	1818	PZ 010810 to Chu Linh, 1st off PZ 1730 6 sorties, last lift off PZ 1810, 18 sorties, inbound to Chu Linh complete 18181 20 sorties.		JS Bde	CG
60.	1831	CS mission requested at following 882995, 873909, 891933.		JS Bde	CG
61.	1908	Requested scout team for A/co to be picked up at 3rd Bde Snoopy pad at 0730 on 5 Sept by 1/8 C/C.		JS Bde	SH
62.	1910	A/co 880930, 873940, 886934, 847907; B/co 960993, 956993, 948994; C/co 882989; D/co 786923, Wescott; E/co Wescott; A 1/4 852912.		JS Bde	CG
63.	1928	Saber 26 at 788933 observed aircraft wreckage, with C ration strew around the area, tail no 15469, could not determine how went down.		JS Bde	CG
64.	1930	Saber 26 at 815915 rest area used by 10-15 ind in past 12H, 808907 NS trail neg recent use, 840015 EW trail used by 5-10 ind last 24H to the W. 770950 NS trail used by 10-15 ind to N last 24H.		JS Bde	CG

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65.	1909		Sabre 24 at 843896 at 1830 spotted 2 mortar pits, 1 base plate in one pit, 2 bnks 5x8, 2 fighting positions, 15 empty canisters in area, engaged with organics dest all findings.	JS Bde	CG		
66.		1931	Hatchet report: day plt 8; night plt 11.	JS Bde	CG		
67.		1953	AO extention requested to go into effect 0600 5 Sept terminate on order, 0594, 0598, 0798, 0794, at 2245 from Bde 3MB approved.	JS Bde	CG		
68.		1956	Change lift time of all elements from 0830 to 1200. Change no. sorties of D 26 from 6 to 5.	JS Bde	CG		
69.	1959		All plans and change sent to Bde.	JS Bde	CG		
70.	2107		Birds for C and D co's CA cancelled also D 26 will CA to Wescott at 0900 also 1000 E 16 CA will take place.	JS Bde	JV		
71.	2200		Agent report: 041100 Sept 880983 150 NVA and 12 VC coming from S. Armed with 2 82mm 20 rds, 2 LMG, 3 RPG 2 15 rds, 2 RPG 7 10 rds, AK, VC has AK and SKS, 1 PRC 10, B-6 rating. Arty fired 12 rds 155.	JS	EH		
72.	2357		Ladder training class for 5 Sept be cancelled and training program be post poned for that day and will be rescheduled for 6 Sept.	JS	JV		

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73.	2215		Bde 6A to 3 messages: according to guidance issued ref sniffer reading, sniffer reading would be type target handled one of 2 ways, that is either fired immediately with a later check with Bn, or fired after receiving a recommendation as to possible bnk and trail loc in vic of reading from Bn, arty took it upon itself not to fire on target, Bde TOC failed to check on action of arty, however sniffer reading has been included in planned fire around midnight.	AS	EH
74.	2230		AS for 5 Sept: TOT 1330 998068 750 and 500 1b bombs 10 hootches and 20 bnks; TOT 1400 994065 750 bombs 6 bnks and 4 hootches.	JS	EH
75.	2355		Negative sitrep.	JS	JV
76.	2400		Summary: Significant findings can be found in 26 and 37 entries by C/oo, Saber bird in entry 63. Negative significant actions during the day.	JS	PZ
77.	2400		Journal closed.	JS	JV

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