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	IN	OUT					
1.	0001		Journal opened.			JS	JV
2.	0100		Negative sitrep.			JS	JV
3.	0200		Negative sitrep.			JS	JV
4.	0230		Bnk 18 and 17 had only 1 M awake, bnk 16 both were asleep. C/co notified.			JS	JV
5.	0300		Negative sitrep.			JS	JV
6.	0400		Negative sitrep.			JS	JV
7.	0500		Negative sitrep.			JS	JV
8.	0600		Negative sitrep.			JS	JV
9.	0610		FY0529, 898983 0556H medium, D/co will check.			JS Arty	JB
10.	0621		Bde 2M requests contact around sensor reading 8988 for possible movement of any kind.			JS	JB
11.	0640		All Co's report neg movement or happenings.			JS	JV
12.	0647		RRF for 10 Sept C/co and QRF is C/co 26.			JS Bde	JV
13.	0746		Deputy USARV Surgeon will visit LZ approx 1530H.			JS	JV
14.	0750		Bde 3, warning order, prepare to move 1 rifle company at 1000 to QL for base defense. Chemical mission on LZ, also info on C drop requested.			JS	JB
			Rifle company will be B/co.			JS	JB
15.	0815		1st light wire check, neg finds.			JS	RC
16.	0825		Request scout team for D/co for vis, recon.			JS Bde	CG
17.	0855		Pacification responsible for the Phouc Long province is being transferred from 3 Bde to				

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		2nd Bde however we will continue to support pacification Phouc Long province that is in part of our tactical A ^W .				JS	CG	
18.	0915	Log bird GR 767 TQ ^S 0700, C/C Snoopy 25 TQ ^S 1010.				JS	JV	
19.	0950	XU 9112 aircraft believe he got a beep from a radar gun.				JS	CG	
20.	1015	A/co 848956, 901947; B/co 976984, 99382; C/co Wescott; D/co 909988, 915974, 897997; C/co 783939; A 1/3 847897, 832894; C ^W G 896764, 815900.				JS	CG	
21.	1104	Request set tm for B 16 at 1105.				JS Bde	CG	
22.	1102	16	897997 D 36 spotted 2 ind moving E along blue, engaged with SA at 40m, the 2 ind evaded to the W, sweeping area, gooks did not return fire, gooks had neg pack or web gear or weapons.				JS Bde	RC
23.	1140	SLAR, TOT 0645 040060 1 stream, TOT 0714-0723 820825 1 in plantation.				JS	CG	
24.	1145	GR 11 on station at 1146. C/C.				JS Bde	CG	
25.	1205	Lift will be approx 1030, we are getting a C/C w/console, the new C/C will be a snoopy bird, when comes on station release the other C/C, have birdcontact Red Hawk 53 or GR 53.				JS	CG	
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26.	1235		Bde 83 will have to release 2 of the Killer Spade at 1230 to work for Gary Owen.			JS	CG
27.	1245		Requested hooks, arty has most of hooks tied up, but plan on using the 3 birds for the lift.			JS	CG
28.	1250		A 1/4 at 851932 2 old hootch 8x6, 1-2 months also base palte for mortar 3x3 3-4 weeks old hootches destroyed neg recent use.			JS Bde	RC
29.	1310		Recommend this area be a no fly zone for all aircraft, due to suspected anti aircraft gun radar controlled located 8908, 9208, 9214, 8914.			JS	CG
30.	1315		Saber 6 while flying over 9001 picked up buzz on FM believed to be radar controlled anti- aircraft weapon.			JS	RV
31.	1330		In the 155 area the water building up and will eventually wash our berm away, a drainage route must be est through the berm to prevent this now that the water is high we can better rec- ognize the problem areas and establish drainage routes accordingly. Start work ASAP.			JS	RV
32.	1355		Subject VC morning; recent info indicates that the death of HCM is to be observed by communist and S VN in following manner: organizing committee				
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			<p>to est a morning week from 5-11 Sept; organizing a funeral setting up an alter, stopping all activities for a certain period, having public meeting and prayer during cease fire days.</p> <p>Subjected warning rites are set to include a hoisted S Vietnam flag with a black morning band on it. Pictures of HCM framed in blk. Wearing morning bands on hat and pins on shirts. During morning week, communist controlled an influenced festivities, films, art shows, sports matches, and other intermainntainment are cancelled. The above represent a change of pace which may make possible positive identification of VC leader, agents and supported. Units will est contact w/appropriate province and district advisor in their AO to make positive ID of individual.</p>			JS	CG
33.	1405		<p>D/co at 903000 36 heard 3 rds pop from mortar from 36 it was on 120o 1k, rd impact 3k S of D 36, at 913986 CP heard rds impacted 1½k to W, Foul mortar position 908993, impact 903985, at 1640 patrol reconning area of mortar fire report neg finds.</p>			JS Bde	RC
34.	1410		Request set tm for D/co at 1405, Saber 1429H.			JS Bde	CG

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35.	1415		<p>Agent report, K2 Bn, 209 Red, 7th Div, reported 2 Sept, Bn has been located in Ru Ngso Dah, jungle in Loc Ninh, District in bnks, foxholes and using nylon tents for shelter. C1 Co XU 785002; Hq C2 801009; C3 790020 300men 3 Red Chinese advisors in Bn, blk, green, and blue, and kahki material uniforms, weapons, 2 82mm, 2 75 RR, 1 12.7 AA MG, 30 B 40, unk no. of AA and H-79. 1 K60 radio, 3 PRC 10 and 25, mission mortar and attack QL and ambush troops along H.13 from Binh Long and Loc Ninh. Obtained from VC cadre talking to agent 1st Inf Div, report no. 4997-69, C rating.</p>			JS	SH
36.	1425		<p>SUBJECT: Hardening for fire base: arty casualties are increasing at an alarming rate, commanders will take necessary action to insure maximum hardening of fire base position area. The possibility of increasing parapets might especially in those areas where direct fire is not possible should be considered. Another possibility is a kick out section added to the top of parapet that can be removed for direct fire. This Hq is looking for ideas and suggestions on the</p>				
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ITEM NO. 37	TIME IN OUT		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC. ways and means of providing OHC and protection to crew members who are required on the piece during fire missions. Comments are welcome and encouraged, harding of firebase is a matter of commander attention. Attention should be given to it today in view of expected action during coming night and early morning.		ACTION TAKEN JS		INITIALS CG	
	1430		Saber 21 TO 1427 going out to D/co, will be on D internal, eng finds, broke station 1605.		JS		RC	
	38.		B/co extraction to sec LZ QL, PZ 16 993982, CP 46 36 26 976984; 1st off 1136, clear 1433, complete 1451 total 19 sorties.		JS Bde		RC	
	39.		A/co 847965, 906947; B/co 4L; C/co Wescott; D/co 913986, 921990, 918972, 903000; E/co 783939; A 1/4 887885; C 1/4 920710.		JS		CG	
	40.		ST 43 loc at 1520H 006867.		JS		CG	
	41.		Finals plans sent to Bde by 3A.		JS Bde		CG	
	42.		Saber 26, 1520 893089, spotted N-S trail, 5 ind traveled in last 6-12H going S. 1530H 876055 1 bnk 5x8 also N-S trail used by 25 ind in last 24H direction unknown. 1540H 845059 N-S trail used by 6-12 ind in last 12H going N. 1555 E-W trail used by ind moving W in last 12H.		JS		CG	
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43.	1430		An Loc request road clearing, 215 1 plt RF 804850, to 810890; 399 (-) 860890 to 849879, 110600 to 111800. Approved Bn 3.			JS Bde	CG
44.	1530		B/co 6 at 1000H found 7 empty graves just waiting for some occupants at 971982. Dug within past week, neg trails around area. They were dug side by side E-W.			JS Bde	CG
45.	1648		Psyops mission Chieu Hoi leaflets dropped, 0199, 0198, 0298, 0297, 9199, 9198, 9098. Requested 6 boxes leaflets.			JS Bde	RV
46.	1700		Request 5+2 for 11 Sept 0800 0830H, P2 Wescott, LZ 995918 for C 36, control Bn 6 or Bn 3.			JS	CG
47.	1705		Cease fire will end 0100 11 Sept, all units to recon with arty after 0100.			JS Co's	CG
48.	1708		Set tm request permission to test fire on Sue advised of friendlies on W side of Blue and told to proceed accordingly. #			JS	RV
49.	1725		D/co neg results on W bank of Song Be river reconning today. Will log on 11 Sept and move W.			JS	RV
50.	1840		A slick flew over C14G and fired up area, neg friendly casualties, bird was flying towards PV 910710.			JS Bde	RC
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51.	1850		Agent report: C-6 rating 1140 11 Sept 881942 150 NVA 6 VC resting, 2 82mm 20 rds, 2 LMG 3 RPG2 15 rds, 1 RPG 7 4 AK47 and SKS; 1200 9 Sept 917772, 300m E Suoi Ngoien stream 200 NVA 5 VC 2 82mm 10 rds, 5 LMG, 4 RPG 2 20 rds, 3 RPG 7 5 rds, AK47 and SKS, F-6 rating.			JS	CG
52.	1905		Request clearance 110600 to 111800 212 RF 8089, 8085, 8485, 8489. Approved by Bn 3.			JS	CG
53.	1956		We can logical expect that communist may attempt to captialize on surprise attacks, we probable can expect hits on nights of 10 and 11 Sept by fire attack or sappers or both. All commander will take precaution to protects their troop and give max damage inflicted upon the enmy starting 110100 Sept all units will return to full scale recon activity day and night to locate and get the enemy under control once again and inflect maximum damage on him.			JS	CG
54.	1906		Alerted QRF at 1907. Saber 28 bird went down 770865 blues are being inserted they need 1/8 QRF to be a backup. Bird went down with possible mechanical problem, Black Horse M troop has also been alerted. Release QRF 1925. Blue in.			JS	CG
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55.	1945		A 16 at 905943 N-S trail w/recent use in last 3-4 days, 600m from above grid to the ENE found 10 bnks 5.8 1½ OHC 2 months old neg recent use well camouflaged.			JS Bde	RC
56.	1935		A/co 845967, 905943; B/co Quan Loi; CIDG 900737, 918727; C/co Wescott; D/co 912988, 916981, 905992, 913986; E/co 979927; A 1/4 847906, 847897.			JS Bde	CG
57.	1936		Hatchet report: day plt 10; night plt 11.			JS Bde	RC
58.	2220		Change in plans for 11 Sept and called in tentative plans for 12 and 13 Sept.			JS Bde	JB
59.	2027		All units up on the bug.			JS	JV
60.	2037		Request all units use arty recon by fires after 0100 11 Sept.			JS	JV
61.	2120		Request AO extension for A 16 for 110600 to 120600, 7794, 7796, 8094, 8096, approved by Bde 3AB.			JS Bde	JB
62.	2200		A 1/4 informed by Bn 83 they may send one plt to 3rd Bde VIP center on 11 Sept, however on their own request the plt will not go in until 12 Sept, the plt presently in VIP center exists on morning of 11 Sept.			JS	JB
63.	2215		Present road clearing mission for 215 AF plt				
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