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UNIT AND TITLE OF INSTALLATION

LOCATION

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1st Bn, 8th Cav

LZ Bilen

0800Z 18 Oct, 69 2400 18 Oct, 69

ITEM NO.	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INITIALS
	IN	OUT			
1.	0001		Journal opened	JS	RR
2.	0015		1/7 26 platoon at xu973011 at 0712H spotted 8 NVA moving west into their ambush. Engaged with claymores and small arms at 5m. Enemy evaded to the west. Results were 3 NVA KIA 1 Chieu Hoi, 2 AK-47, 1 ea 9mm pistol, 2 ruck sacks, 12 lbs of rice and G-rations, 2 NVA bandoleers, 3 chi-com grenades. Enemy were wearing green uniforms. One NVA KIA was an officer and CO of the unit, had field commission papers on his person and was wearing blue shirt, shorts, and hat. Chieu Hoi report NVA base camp site 500-1000 m to the west. He was from the 8th squad, 2nd plt, 21st Co, 95th regiment, 5th NVA Div. Estimated base area is at grid yu 4008. He had left one month ago with 7 individuals to coordinate a rice pick up with 85th Rear Service Group. Normal 7 day march had taken 30 days because of ambushes around Bu Kan-village. Chieu Hoi also indicated K-5 hospital at xu 9801 2K east from point of capture.	JS	RB
01	0100		Neg sit. rep.	JS	RR

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	IN	OUT			
4.	0200		Neg sit. rep.	JS	RR
5.	0259		OP in front of bunker 14 believes they have movement.	JS	RR
6.	0330		Neg sit. rep.	JS	RR
7.	0400		Neg sit. rep.	JS	RR
8.	0500		Neg sit. rep.	JS	RR
9.	0606		Air. Striked today. 1) xu 907133 target LZ construct. tot 0900, mission #5209 ord. HFI HDJ. 2) xu-943129 target bunkers tot 1645		
			Mission # 5231 ord. HFA-HFI	JS	RR
10.	0607		Neg sit. rep.	JS	RR
11.	0622		QRF-C/Co. 26, RRF-C/Co. after A/Co. has taken over base defense A/Co. 36, will be QRF and A/Co.-RRF.	JS	RR
12.	0630		C/Co. EM are up for stand to	JS	RR
13.	0640		CC Bird Snoopy 532 tos 0725 Log bird Masher 149 tos 0705. CC didn't check in with 28. carried a load of Pax and mail	JS	RR
14.	0750		Yellow 1 inbound for flight leaders briefing. Lift will be a 4 plus 2 including Big Duke log bird.	JS	RR
15.	0752		Claymores and trip flares are in at this time	JS	RR
16.	0902		To. C/Co. from GM 3A. Commo is poor in area		

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			If 6 has a 292 his commo problems will be added	JS	DF
17.	0920		Spot report B 1/9 0900H via 079198, 5 bunkers 5x8 with overhead over, 4 structure 15x20-1 bunkers 10x20 with overhead cover 1 table w		
			With benches 3x8, 2 structures 15x20 damaged	JS	JB
18.	0955		CA of E/Co. 16, to #045176 from FSB Ellen		
			1st lift off PZ at 0910H, 1st lift on ground		
			0921 Complete 0953 hrs. 15 sorties.	JS Bde	JB
19.	1000		At # 968046 Rash 38 calling in arty on bridge		
			Did not destroy the bridge.	JS Bde	RC
20.	1015		A/Co. final extraction from #045176 to FSB Ellen 1st lift off 0921H 1st lift on PZ 0927		
			complete 1015 H 18 sorties.	JS Bde	RC
21.	1036		Current 1000H locs. A/Co.-FSB Ellen, B/Co.-941138, C/Co.-FSB Ellen, D/Co.-Quan Loi BD		
			E/Co.(-) FSB Ellen, 16-045176	JS Bde	JB
22.	1130		Secure to Secure FSB Ellen to FSB Vivian 1st lift off 1040 1st on LZ 1050H. Complete 1127		
			3 sorties.	JS Bde	RC
23.	1410		Current 1400H locs. A/Co.-FSB Ellen, B/Co.-941138, C/Co.-opoon 1/5, D/Co.-Quan Loi BD		
			E/Co.-FSB Ellen 16-035173.	JS Bde	JB

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24.	1517		83 A wants log bird relieved to Quan Loi. Snoopy Pad	JS Bde	DF
25.	1602		Final plans for 19 Oct turned in to Bde	JS Bde	JB
26.	1611		1 case of electrical blasing caps for installment of fugas for 19 Oct.	JS Bde	JB
27.	1705		New pushes for Bn, 10 to arty. y63B-10,x65C 10, I43R, 1)31.65, 2)32.80, 3)49.70	JS	SH
28.	1725		A/S #953144 complete 1707H BDA-02 bunkers uncovered few old bunkers going back after refuel. That's all they found	JS Bde	RC
29.	1730		C/Co. at grid # 937140 heard firing about 2K to N of their location 2 burst of AK fire call Bde neg reports have been turned into them. B/Co. calling in arty.	JS Bde	RR
31.	1913	✓	Final night locs.-A/Co.-Ellen, B/Co.-cp, 16, 26, 36, 46--937140, 13-939138, C/Co.-opcon 1/5 D/Co.-Quan Loi BD, B/Co. 21-937141, 22-938-140. B/Co.-(-) Ellen, 16-034171	JS Bde	JB
32.	1915		Hatchet Report. Flt. Sq. Day----- 2 0 Night----- 2 5 4 5	JS Bde	JB
33.	1920		For 19 Oct. QRF-A/Co.-16, RRF-A/Co.	JS Bde	JB
34.	1910		IR Boxes, 1023-8010, 9010, 8000, 9000, 1024-		

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			9010, 0010, 9000, 0000, 1013-8020, 9020, 8010, 9010		
			1014-9020, 0020, 9010, 0010, 1015-0020, 1020, 0010		
			1010, 1025-0010, 1010, 0000, 1000, 1070-9080,		
			0080, 9070, 0070, Not AO, 1071-0080, 1080, 0070		
			1070-Not AO	JS	JB
35.	1945		Co. A reports gates closed to dump and pad.		
			Neg. findings on last light check. Claymores		
			and trip flares are out.	JS	JB
36.	2030		All elements are up on the bug.	JS	RR
37.	2125		Bright Lighting request AO extention 0195		
			N to 0103 E to 0503 S to 0595 and W to 0195		
			Effect 19 Oct. 0600 terminate 25 Oct. 1800		
			for CIDG. operations. Reply 2nd Bde has 1/8		
			approval; however, 1/7 is utilizing this		
			area at this time and will be, until 20 1800H		
			final approval or disapproval must go thro-		
			ugh 3rd Bde.	JS Bde	RB
38.	2145		Heavy arty. # 32519, grid yt-079963, 103978		
			085955, 109971 tot 19 Oct. 1015H	JS	RB
39.	2147		Tentative plans sent in.	JS Bde	RB
40.	2150		BDA target #32561, Partially destroyed 01		
			tunnel entrance 02 10x20 bunkers 02 15x20		
			hootches-destroyed; 01 5x5 bunker, 01 10x15		
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			04 15x20 bunker uncovered; 05 5x8 bunkers;		
			04 15x20 hootches; 01 10x20 bunkers-trails		
			01 NE and SW trails 2ft wide 01 EW trail 1 1/2		
			1/2 ft wide	JS	RB
41.	2155		Star reports; yd-045065 17in open, tot 2130		
			an 8n flight Star report received 2145.		
			Arty notified, Direct-Fire was utilized base		
			defense has been notified. Raden has scanned		
			area.	JS	RB
42.	2200		Request for LZ construct in 006109 and 943		
			129 for 19 Oct.	JS Bde	RB
43.	2205		Request cargo hook on log bird for tomorrow		
			In formed Bde of log bird and CC contact and		
			pushes at Quan Loi for morning stops. Re-		
			quested Scout Birds BDA A/S at grids 952142		
			and 924127.	JS	JB
44.	2220		Base defense has been notified of goods in		
			the wire at FSB Buttons. Message of Buttons		
			passed by arty.	JS	RR
45.	2230		Request Duke 1-0 report to Quan Loi for se-		
			curity briefing at 1900H 19 Oct.	JS	RB
46.	2237		When will Slashing Talon 3-2 will be ex-		
			tracted 0532 center mass. 19 Oct. at 1000H	JS	RB
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47.

2225

Delayed entry 17 Oct. 69, Report of ground

Air fire on NightHawk bird of 2nd Bde at yu

080180 pass to A/Co, heavy arty box planned

in this area exact grid for 0005H 18 Oct.

079180-092207, 102202, 087176 tot 18 Oct. 0005

#32561

JS

RB

48.

2340

Delayed entry 17 Oct. 69, Star reports tot

1838H and 1854H yu-050035 1 in open, yu-06

5050 1 in open, yu-080125 1 on road. Recieved

by Steel at 2322H. Too old for arty to fire

JS

RB

49.

2400

Summary: 1/7 26 element at xu973011 at 0712H

spotted 8 NVA moving west. Engaged with clay

mores and small arms. Results were 3 NVA KIA

1 Chieu Hoi No. 2 for readout, 2) Base defense

notified of gooks in wire FSB Buttons.

JS

RB

50.

2400

Journal closed

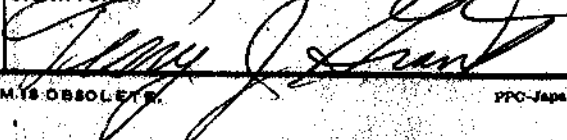
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