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	IN	OUT					
1.	0001		Bn HQ: Journal Opened. Neg Sit Rep (0100, 0200, 0300, 0400, 0500 and 0600H).	JS	JK		
2.	0030		MM 65: Closing Locations; 1/12, A/Co-Elaine, B/Co-538258, C/Co-623148, D/Co-511271, E/Co-Elaine, 1/6-567214, 6th Bn ARVN, 61 Co-321316, 62-295306, 63-Margret, 64-326300, 8th Bn ARVN-81-Lolita, 82-350290, 83-387265, 84-387265, 84-385285. Recon Plateau at Lolita.	JS	MP		
3.	0700		Bde 65: 0600 to 1000, Ft Variable 1500 Ft Broken 3 to 5 mile visibility with fog and haze, winds steady at 4 knots at 200 feet overcast, 1/2 mile visibility with fog. 1000-1200H 1500 feet scattered 1000 ft broken wind at 8 knots visibility at 7 mile, 2000-0600 3000 Ft Scattered. Visibility 7 miles, winds variable at 04 knots; Temp max 95, min 70, sunrise 0707, sunset 1903-1950, illumination to night 29.47 %.	JS	OS		
4.	0710		Duke 3: Plans for 3 March sent to all companies by Duke 3.	JS	JK		
5.	0715		All Units: Up on the pill (A,B,C,D,E,1/6).	JS	JK		
6.	0730		Birds: 00 (Black Widow 3A) TOS 0920H, DX had to return. Log Bird (Chickenman 624) TOS 0730H.	JS	JK		
7.	0745		A/Co: Trips and clay mares in at 0715H, first light				
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7.	0745		Continues from page 1: light out at 0730, first light check in out at 0810, negative findings.	JS	JK
8.	0755		1/8 Bn: PDS for FSB Audie for 02 Mar 70, HHU and E/Co 51 EM, 30 NCOs, 11 Officers, Artillery, Captain Seigler EC, 46 EMs, 9 NCOs, 3 officers, Engineers: Lt Krause, FR-20 EMs, 3 NCO and 01 officer. Base Defense, Co CAPTAIN Hall, 77 EM, 25 NCOs and 4 officer.	JS	OS
9.	0825		Bde 2MA: IR TOT 1600H. 1009, 1009, 1010, 1025. VR Box 1, 3440, 3640, 3637, 3437. Box 2, 3386 3636, 3836, 3633, 3833. Box 5, 3730, 4030, 4026, 3726. Box 6, 4427, 4727, 4725, 4425. Sniffer Box 12, 4225, 4625, 4618, 4218. Box 13, 4732, 5432, 5428, 4728.	JS	OS
10.	0830		Bn 65: Big Ears Green and operational.	JS	OS
11.	0850		Bn 8: Needed at Bde Location-01/524 radio. O1 Cable and O1/GRA 39 remote. They have power source also need commo personnel to install.	JS	OS
12.	0850		Bn 65: Request link team for BDA on air strike at grid YU 111111 373323.	JS	OS
13.	0910		RR 1/6: In NDP had contact, engaged with 04 individuals. Ram Rod opened fire first at grid 413331, at 0907H04 individuals were moving		

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13.	0910		Continues from page 2: to the SE, at 0910H these individuals evaded NW. Ram Rod has negative casualties. A sweep of the area revealed 02 VC KIA. These 02 individuals had green Khaki clothes on with pants cut 3" above the knee, no head gear or shoes, long hair and marine type belts with U.S. buckles. Also had 02 homemade type packs containin a total of 100 lbs, of rice. Also in pockets had pipe tobacco and 01 document, 01 weapon (serial #1 4933) bolt action with 30 rounds. Bayonet folding along side of barrel. The clip was a 30 round banna magazine.	JS	JM		
14.	1030		Bn 65: Current Locations: A/Co-Audie. B/Co-444312. C/Co-438280. D/Co-402292. E/Co-Audie, 1/6-413231 North.	JS	OF		
15.	1115		Bde 5B: URS, XX6 rating, grid 447245, 500 meters radius, early morning hours, code word Fred.	JS	OS		
16.	1245		Birds: (Chuck and Chuck) replacement TOS 1245, Potato Masher 141.	JS	JM		
17.	1310		Bde: Add Potato Masher 172 to our Log Birds, TOS 1310H. Must be released by 1515 for VR flight.	JS	JM		
18.	1434		Received report of enemy force at 031115H, at grid 447245. Unknown size of enemy force (XX6).	JS	JM		

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19.	1500	All Units: Current Locations: A/Co-Audie. B/Co-444313 still moving NW. G/Co-437274. D/Co-4022924 E/Co-Audie, 1/6-413331.	0001	3 Mar 70
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20.	1520	Pig Iron: Atgrid 442316, 18" to 24" trail. HUNTING EW used in the last 30 to 60 minutes. Pig Iron will stay and ambush using A/A also.		
21.	1620	Ram Rod 1/6: Grid 409343, on stream. Found 01 large 30x20 hootches, 01 4x15 bunkers with 4' over head cover, 2 15 man tables with benches, 300 lbs of rice and 03 sleeping positions in hootches, 01 sow and bear, and litter of pigs, rice was regular.		
22.	1630	Ram Rod 1/6: Grid 409343, engaged 04 individuals moving into base living area. Contact resulted in 02 VC KIA. VC wearing green Khaki uniforms and GI web belts, negative shoes or head gear, had shaggy hair cuts, captured 02 weapons (AK 47) serial # 12139258 Chicom). US M-1 Carbine # 6357844.		
23.	1740	Bn 3A: Log Bird report to Quan Loi report to Big Duke 101 on 65-05. Charlie Charlie report to Buttons contact Big Duke 4 on 65-05 pick up chow, then report to Audie and contact Duke 65		

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23.	1740		Continue from page 4: on 49-15, both birds				
			for 0700H.			JS	JA
24.	1739		Bde 83: (1) YU 425322, LZ construct 1230H,				
			500 lbs. Daisy Cutters. (2) YU 430310, LZ construct 0900H,				
			750 lbs Daisy Cutters. Both for 04 Mar 70.			JS	JA
25.	1730		B/Co: Grid 440320, squad element sweeping				
			proposed night location engaged possible move-				
			ment, drawing return fir (AK 47) from estimated 3				
			to 4 individual. Artillery and Max used to				
			neutralize area, sweep has resulted in negative findings				
			to this point. After sweeping area, they found				
			expended AK brass, some gooks plastic and 01				
			light blood trail leading to the east.			JS	JA
26.	1756		Bn 3A: Report for medevac, Raincloud 103 degrees				
			temperature. Relaps of malaria, grid 395291. Have				
			bird contact Rain Cloud 6I on medevac push 3300.				
			Requested again at Urgent at 1925H, jungle pene-				
			trated temperature 104 degrees going up at grid				
			395291, contact Rain Cloud 6I. Medevac 1/5,				
			need two illuminations at all times. Medevac				
			complete at 2100H at Bde. Medevac on station at				
			2011H, complete at 2042H.			JS	JA
27.	1810		Cavalier 27: Request to fire above 35 grid line.			JS	JA

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25.	1830		RamRod: #048341, 1825 1/6 had an automatic ambush to go off back by contact area. The automatic ambush from stream bank was placed by the hootches. Ram Rod is currently in NLP on opposite side of stream and approximately 300 meters from ambush site. Due to late hours and necessity of crossing stream before area can be checked, the ambush site will not be swept until tomorrow morning. There are still 02 A/A in the contact area.	JS	DG		
29.	1905		Bn 65: Password ed -Oiled Blimp, illumination 29 degrees.	JS	JA		
30.	1912		B/Co: Grid 441331, fires started by Blue Max (68T), resulted in very large secondary explosion with 100' high fireball x 100' wide. B/Co at approximately 150 meters was sprayed with many small fragments such as small arms ammo going off, shock from explosion was very heavy at that range. Unit credit Max with destroying sizeable ammo cache.	JS	JA		
31.	1913		All Units: A/Co-Audie. B/Co-CP, 1/6, 2/6-440320, 2/6-443316. C/Co-424273. D/Co-395291. E/Co-408341.	JS	SC		
32.	1910		Pig Iron: Secondary explosion 1912H. Pig Iron 6 said they heard something cooking and sighting				

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32.	1910			Continues from page 6: then it went off throwing shrapnel into their NDP. Negative casualties, this was in the area where Max was working onto.		JS		DG
33.	1950			Bn 65: PDS for Audie (179 EMs, 65 NCOs, 18 Officers, and 11 engineers).		JS		JA
34.	1955			Ram Rod: 1/6 reported movement outside their perimeter.		JS		DG
35.	2040			Bde 3: Discussed pickup time of Dozer. Bn 3 would like to keep it till 1700H tomorrow to get extra work done. Discussed plans for E/Co 1/6, B/Co to work area in because of findings stuff. Also about D/Co and C/Co going west toward 8th Bn.		JS		JA
36.	2050			1/8 Bn: Plans for 4 Mar 70; A/Co-Audie (Base Defense). B/Co-conduct careful recon at vicinity 442321. then ground recon to 435337, establish NDP. C/Co will conduct ground recon to vicinity 414 269, establish NDP. D/Co will conduct ground recon to vicinity 400280, establish NDP. E/Co 1/6 will ground recon careful at vicinity 409343. then ground recon to vicinity 400334, establish NDP. Tentative Plans for 5 Mar 70; A/Co-Audie (Base Defense), B/Co will conduct ground recon to vicinity 414284.				

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36.	2050		Continue from page 7: establish NDP. C/Co- will conduct ground recon to vicinity 414284, establish NDP. D/Co will ground recon to vicinity 0404273, establish NDP. E/Co will conduct ground recon to vicinity 390329, establish NDP.				JS	JA
37.	2015		Bn 3: Would like to know the time of pick up for Bull Dozer tomorrow. The prepared time for pickup 1030Hr, but if we need it we can keep it longer. Bn will talk to Bde about this.				JS	JA
38.	2100		1/8 Cav: PDS for FSB Audie for 3 March; Bn Headquarters and E/Co-11 officers, 30 NCOs, 49 EMs, Base Defense Co-5 officers, 25 NCOs, 88 EMs. Artillery-Cpt Saigler, 3 officers, 10 NCOs, 43 EMs. Engineers- 1 officer, 1 NCO and 10 EMs.				JS	JA
2100 39.			Bn 65: <u>Exposure Report</u>					
			UNIT 1st Sortie Time in PZ # of Sortie Remarks					
			D/Co 1303H start/end 1030/1505H 4 log					
			D/Co 2042 1700/NDP 4 Medevac at NDP					
			C/Co 1420 1230/1700 4 log JS				JA	
40.	2110		Bn 65: Day (01 platoon for B/Co. 01 platoon for E/Co 1/6). Night (01 platoon for B/Co. 03 Squad for C/Co). A/A (03 at night for B/Co. 05 night for C/Co. 03 night for D/Co. 03 for 1/6).				JS	JA

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