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1st Bn 8th Cav

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ITEM NO.	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INITIALS
	IN	OUT			
1.	0100		Bn NCS/Log: Journal Opened. Negative Sit Rep (0100, 0200, 0300, 0400, 0500, 0600H).	JS	JM
2.	0740		Bde 95 (S-3 Air)/Bn NCS: Bn 1/8 log bird will be 60 minutes late due to radio problems. CC (Shocked Hiker 769) TOS 0745H, log bird (Shocked Hiker) TOS 0920H. CC has operational control sole aboard.	JS	DF
3.	0745		Bn S-3 (28)/All Units: Missions; A/Co will move northwest and make good distance today. B/Co will check bunkers and move toward A/Co. They will be at A/Co log approximately 1300H and will move out after making contact. D/Co will ^{move} toward 490310. Be prepared to react on plans on move. Log 22 March. E/Co recon will move to vicinity 450260.	JS	DF
4.	0745		All Units/Bn Duty Officer (28W): Up on Malaria Control; (A,B,C,D,E/Rec,E/Co(-)).	JS	DF
5.	0750		Base Defense/Bn NCS: Trips and claymores are in at 0700H, first light check out at 0725H and returned at 0750H with negative findings.	JS	DF
6.	0800		Bn 1/8/Bde NCS: Change in plans for E/Co recon for 21 Mar; Recon will ground recon to vicinity YU 450260 to check out area of G/A by night Hawk.	JS	DG

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0825

Bde S-2 (Duty Officer)/Bn NCS: Sniffer Box

4- YU-2815,3515,3511,2811. Box 5-4527,4827,

4820,4520. Box 6-4041,4641,4638,4038. Box 7-

3431, 4131,4128, 3428. Box 8-3620,4020,4012,

3612. Box 14-4119,4819,4815,4115. Box 15-3402,3802,

3896,3496. Box 16-5212,5912,5908,5208. IR

Boxes; 220300MAR70- YU 100, 1009, 1010.

VR Boxes- 2-3539,3739,3736,3536. Box 3-4138,

4438,4436,4136. Box 4-4235,4435,4432,4232.

Box 5-4735,4935,4932,4732. Box 6-5227,5527,

5524,5224. Box 7-4328,4528,4525,4325. Box 8-

4321,4521,4518,4318.

JS

DF

B.

0850

B/Co/Bn NCS: D/Co 2nd platoon at 0845H at grid

491328 found 01 fresh hootch and 01 bunker.

Pink team (Hazel Bench 56) on station 0915H.

Found 02 hootches 8x10 with 2' overhead cover,

also a northsouth trail with negative recent

use and negative direction of travel because trail is

too hard packed last used 4 to 5 days by 5 to

6 individuals still recon at 1100H. Also 02

more hootches 5x8 with negative recent use.

JS

DB

9.

0855

Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Request pink team to work with D/Co

(491328). TOS 0915H, Broke station at 1010(Hazel Bench).

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10.	0940		Bn S-3/Bde S-3: Bn S-3 would like to know if we are to move on schedule or remain at Audie. Bde S-3 said he doesn't have any word yet, however he expects 1000H and 1100H (between those hours).	JS		DG	
11.	0945		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: At 1500H 20 March 70, Hazel Bench 74 at #428241 spotted 25 bunkers with negative further information. Bde at 1330H/ Negative stepped leading to bunkers, but found steps leading to a hole.	JS		DF	
12.	1005		Bde S-3 Air/Bn NCS: Log bird released for RF at 1000 contact Hiker Yellow 2.	JS		DG	
13.	1015		All Units/Bn NCS: 1000H Locations: A/Co-428245. B/Co-415252. B/Co-Audie. D/Co-488325, 2nd platoon 213-491328. E/Co-448282.	JS		DB	
14.	1022		B/Co/Bn NCS: YU 416252 1020H-B/Co requested pink team, there are recently chopped logs 6" in diameter. They feel that they are approaching bunkers in the area. Checking the area at this time. Bench 56 (pink team) TOS 1030H. Diverted at 1035H to A/Co, pink team TOS 1135H (Bench 56) VR areas at this time. Broke station at 1205H.	JS		DG	

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15.	1025		A/Co/Bn NCS: Reported at 1025H fresh cut bamboo and fresh movement in area, suspected recent bunker complex in area, grid 428245, time 1025H. Pink team (Hazel Bench 56) working for them at 1030H, 1100H A/Co reports 1000 lbs of rice. Broke station at 1130H. A/Co found at grid 427246 at 1140H, 02 hootches 5x12x5 high (4620 lbs of rice,) which had rice in them. Rice find equal 21 burlap bags at 100 kilo. hootches had 8 - 17 raised floor made of wood, also had an interweaved leaves roof used for camouflage.	JS	DB
16.	1050		B de 28/Bn 28: 1046H, the decision has been made to hold in present position until 27 Mar 70. A move then depends on finds and NVA KIA whether we stay or move. Also requested again for a pull down at this time.	JS	DG
17.	1116		B de 28/1/8 Cav: 1115H, Red leg TOT #533262 on area where infant bird took ground to air fire last night. They ask permission to put non-persistent CS in area and then follow up with a TOT. Permission was granted by Bn CO.	JS	DG
18.	1125		Rash 25/Bn NCS: Rash 25 on station at 1125H for preplanned air strike at grid YU 412222.		

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18.	1125	Continues from page 4: 03 small 3x6 fighting positions uncovered. YU 410220-01 60x15 bridge partially destroyed. Air strike completed at 1225 and broke station.		JS	DB
19.	1147	B/Co Recon/Bn NCS: Recon found at grid 448279 an old trail running northwest and southeast used by 2 to 10 individuals in that last 1-2 weeks. 18" wide with negative direction.		JS	DG
20.	1210	B/Co/Bn NCS: B/Co found at grid 416252, bunkers 6x12x2. Also found inside bunker 01-30 lbs chl com claymore and 01 ^{US} claymore. They disarmed ^{them} and are reconing area. More to follow, also found 01 northeast and south west trail and 01 eastwest and east northsouth trail all 18" wide used in last week by 4 to 5 individuals. Also in same area found 1 cooking hootch 3x6, 02 stoves closed, 02 empty ammo cans rusted and 03 bunkers more 5x8x2 overhead cover with negative recent use, 02 82mm mortar fuses, 01 gook canteen, 01 gook fatigue shirt (OD green) fairly new (negative tears in shirt).		JS	DB
21.	1315	Bench 56/Bn NCS: Pink team TOS 1315H working for A/Co, broke station at 1350H, negative findings. JS (533262)		JS	DB
22.	1320	Duffer Double 2/Bn NCS: CS dropped completed at 1310. JS		JS	DG

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23.	1400		All Units/Bn NCS: Current Locations; A/Co-427245. B/Co-416251 moving east. C/Co-Audie. D/Co-488320 moving south. E/Co recon-448279. E/Co(-)-Audie.	JS		DB	
24.	1410		Bench 53/Bn NCS: TOS 1410H to work at grid 533262, requested clearance given at 1410H, 3k clearance.	JS		DB	
25.	1507		E/Co Recon/Bn NCS: At grid 451273 found a heavy well used trail 18" wide running ^{into} a heavy well used trail 18" wide, ^{trail} running eastwest with negative direction ^{because} too hard packed. Used last week by approximately 12 to 14 individuals.	JS		DB	
26.	1555		Rash 27/Bn NCS: TOS 1545H to put in pre-planned air strike clearance at grid YU 437218 to go in at 1630H, clearance of 1K given.	JS		DB	
27.	1600		Bn NCS/Bde S-2: "request pink team to work with Rash 27 to help check out preplanned air strike at 437218 at 1630H. pink team on station at 1615H.	JS		DB	
23.	1630		E/Co Recon: 454 273 found bridge 2' wide 16' long, made of 8" logs. Hand rails (bamboo). Found new hootch frame (6'x6'x4' tall), a sack of 04 M-16 magazines. Trail running to bridge				

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28.	1630		Continues from page 6: 2' wide. Tentative night location at 451273 has a 2 ship LZ in immediate vicinity. Bridge and hooches to be destroyed tomorrow morning. Trail used by 5 to 6 individuals 48 to 72 hours with negative direction. Trail was too hard pack to indicate use about two months ago to haul heavy equipment.	JS	JG
29.	1630		B/Co: Found bunkers complex at vicinity 419249 at 1605. 15- 20 bunkers 5'x8'x2' overhead cover running in a northsouth pattern in excellent condition. 01 grave with NVA KB arty wearing khakis. Body was several weeks old and nearly decomposed. A strip of bloody gauze was found in area, 04 82mm mortar rounds and 60mm mortar rounds in approximately 15 meters from bunkers, caps to B40 rockets, and assorted clothes in area. Further readout to follow when B/Co reaches NDP.	JS	DB
30.	1640		Bde S-2/Bn NCS: Enemy locations; (1) YU 394211, radius vicinity late afternoon. (2) YU 293429, radius 750 meters late afternoon. Artillery engaged with 54 155 rounds.	JS	RC
31.	1635		Rash 27: Rash has low bird on station as of 1620H, new findings at 437218, has spotted a 2' trail		

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31.	1635		Continues from page 7: and new bunkers at YU 440180. Air strike to change from 1300 to 1700H. Further recon as of 1645H. Complete 1715H, bridges destroyed/Rash broke station.	JS	JM
32.	1722		Bde S-2 Air/Bn NCS: URS YU 551061 vicinity late afternoon.	JS	JM
33.	1725		Bn NCS/Bde S-3 Air: Request for A/C for 22 March; CC A/C report at 0700H to Buttons and contact Adverse Bruiser 66K on 63.30, then report to FSB Audie and contact Adverse Bruiser 86 on 51.50. Log A/C report to Buttons at 0700H and contact Adverse Bruiser 66K on 63.30, then report to FSB Audie, contact Adverse Bruiser 25E on 63.30.	JS	JM
34.	1730		Bde S-3 Air/Bn NCS: Air strike request 22 March YU 419227 LZ construct TOT 1230H, 750 lbs (Daisy Cutters).	JS	DB
35.	1755		Bde S-2 Air/Bn NCS: Enemy locations YU 276443 500 meters late afternoon, URS YU 248453, 1000 meters late afternoon.	JS	DB
36.	1930		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Closing 1/8 Cav, A/Co 424248, B/Co 418251, C/Co Audie, D/Co 489319, E/Co Audie, E/Co Recon 451273.	JS	DB

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37.	1927			Bde NCS/Bn NCS: Closing Location 6th ARVN, 61 (294306), 62 (298355), 63 (286355), 64 (Hung), 1/12-A/Co (412345) A/Co 43 (414348), B/Co (382375), C/Co (417438), D/Co (FSB Jewel), E/Co (FSB Audie), 1st ARVN, 1/1 (232294), 1/2 (Judie), 1/4 (Loan), 1/5 (263305), 8th ARVN, 8/1 (lolita), 8/2 (301232), 8/3 (321282), 8/4 (309276).				JS		DB		
38.	2000			Bn NCS/Bde NCS: FDS Report (FSB Audie); HQ & E/Co 9 officer, 28 NCS, 60 EM. 105 4 Officers, 12 NCO, 42 EM. Base Defense 6 Officers, 17 NCO, 109 EM. Attached 01 NCO, 4 EM, and negative officers. JS				JS		DB		
38.	2001			Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Exposure Report for 21 Mar; B/Co first sortie 1620H, last sortie 1700H, started the sorties at 1600H, ended the sorties at 1730H, number of sorties 04; remarks-log.				JS		DB		
39.	1930			B/Co/Bn NCS: Sit Rep; 2 trail northsouth running approximately 50 meters apart (2' wide), recent use toward north. B/Co CO believes trail was used by enemy to escape his most recent contact. 01 east west trail probably connecting the 2 North South east west trails, this trail runs through his night location. 01 bunker 4'x5'x2' overhead cover.								
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1930

Continues from page 9; Bunkers also have green wood in its construction, signs of shovel work.

A/Co CO believes that he might be on 01 north south trail at the orther end of bunker complex

from puddle. (Addition to his afternoon findings). JS

JM

40.

2030

Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Plans for 22 March; A/Co will ground recon to vicinity 421249, establish NDP. B/Co will ground recon to vicinity 419251, establish NDP. C/Co Base Defense (FSB) Audie. D/Co will ground recon to vicinity 492313,

establish NDP. E/Co recon will ground recon to vicinity ~~445~~ 445264, establish NDP.

JS

OS

Tentative plans for 23 March 1970; A/Co will ground recon to vicinity 422240, establish NDP. B/Co will ground recon to vicinity 415242, establish NDP. C/Co Base Defense (FSB Audie). D/Co will ground recon to vicinity 432261, establish NDP.

JS

OS

41.

2045

Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Sent in ambush Report; Negative day ambushes. Night ambushes-03 automatic ambushes for A/Co. 03 automatic ambushes for B/Co. negative ambushes for C/Co. 03 automatic ambushes for D/Co. 01 automatic ambushes for E/Co.

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42.	2050		Bde S-3/Bn NCS: Black Horse flash at 2245H.	JS				OS
43.	2155		Bde G-2 Air/Bn NCS: Night Hawk will not fly in A/O tonight because they cannot get clearance. We reported that Night Hawk was working out of his box, La last night and the report of a bird working in our A/O without permission today. They cannot get clearance.	JS				JM
44.	2215		E/Co Recon/Bn NCS: At grid 451273 at 2115H E/Co Recon observed 15- 20 individuals moving north along a northsouth trail approxiamtley 50 meters form E/Co night defense postion. The trail had 01 automatic ambushes on it. The ^{enemy} enemy moved through the automatic ambush without tripping the automatic ambushes. The enemy is currently located about 300 meters north west of E/Co recon night defenseive position. The enemy was not engaged ^{because} by E/Co recon was waiting for the automatic ambushe detonate beofre engaging. Artillery is being and will be employed through the night. E/Co will check out the area tomorrow morning.	JS				JM
45.	2240		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: Reminder of B52 briefing tommorow 1400H, 22 March at Bde briefing room.	JS				JM

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Bn S-3/Bde S-3: Artillery INO at Lolita
(ARVNS) won't fire on requested targets, be-
cause they feel they are being harassed to
fire on a target this late at night.

JS

JM

47.

2320

Bn Asst S-3/Pde S-3 Buty NCO: Request pink team
for E/Co recon for first lite VR of vicinity
grid 451273.

JS

JM

12 (late entry)

Intell NGO 1/8 Gav/Bde S-2 Asst: Request
1 radar repairman to come to FSB Audie to
check radar set. The power source has a short-
in it, or its not making good connection.

JS

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