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2400 8 May 70

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1.	0001		All Units/Bn NCS: Journal Open.	JS	KB
2.	0100		All Units/Bn NCS: Negative Sit Rep.	JS	JM
3.	0200		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: AO Clear for Ranger Team; Box YU 2620, YU 3020, YU 3015, YU 2615. Center Mass 280, 175.	JS	KB
4.	0200		All Units/Bn NCS: Negative Sit Rep.	JS	JM
5.	0300		All Units/Bn NCS: Negative Sit Rep.	JS	JM
6.	0400		All Units/Bn NCS: Negative Sit Rep.	JS	JM
7.	0410		Bn NCS/Bn 30: Call sign Loading Silo 47 is same call sign of the 3rd Bde Base Defense Rgt Patrol.	JS	JM
8.	0415		Bde S-3/Bn S-3: SLAR TOT 0300H, YU 376197; Road.	JS	JM
9.	0500		All Units/Bn NCS: Negative Sit Rep.	JS	JM
10.	0600		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: YU 2050; Significant action of last 12 hours; A night Hawk took ground to air fire. Unknown number of BOUNDS (AKH7). Moving at about 50 knots spotted 03 hootches- engaged them with assessment.	JS	JM
11.	0600		All Units/Bn NCS: Negative Sit Rep.	JS	KB
12.	0650		Bde S-3 Asst/Bn NCS: CC "Desires 590" TOS 0720H. Log "Desire 390" TOS 0730H.	JS	DB
13.	0655		Bn S-3/B Co: A/C is scheduled for 1300H, so		

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13.	0655		Continuation from page 1: take plenty of time to check surrounding area and also pad area. 1st platoon will walk off Nguyen Trai today.			JS	JM
14.	0705		D Co/Bn NCS: Trips and claymores in at 0705H.			JS	JM
15.	0706		Bn S-3/E Co Reconn: A/C is scheduled for 1300H, but will get to E Co Reconn probably 1400H. Before moving to the pad call Bn NCS. E Co recon will probably stay in ambush posture until early afternoon, then move on to the pad.			JS	JM
16.	0708		Bn S-3/C Co: From current vicinity YU 330209, C Co will set up patrol base in the same general area. Send patrols northeast, east eleven leafs after B Co is extracted this afternoon and not until, move west, southwest, through cache' area.			JS	JM
17.	0715		All Units/Bn NCS: Upon the pill (A,B,C,D,E).			JS	JM
18.	0900		Bde S-2 Air NCO/Bn NCS: All grids prefix YU; Sniffer Box# 7-3019, 3419, 3413, 3013. 8-2624, 3224, 3220, 2620. 9-2128, 2728, 2724, 2124. 10-2833, 3633, 3629, 2829. VR C1/9; 4-2649, 2943, 2935, 2635. 5-3241, 3641, 3633, 3233. 6-2037, 2337. 2331, 2031. 7-3230, 3930, 3927, 3127. 8-3422, 4022, 4018, 3418. 13-4227, 5227, 5224, 4224. IR				
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18.	0900		Continuation from page 2: TOT 1800H, Boxes 17, and 08.	JS	DE
19.	1000		All Units/Bn NCS: A Co-FSB Battens, 2-FSB Thomas. B Co-YU 321283. C Co-YU 330287, 1-YU 334286. D Co-FSB Nguyen Trai. E Co-FSB Nguyen Trai, Reconn-YU 357228.	JS	DE
20.	1014		E Co Reconn/Bn NCS: YU 357228; E Co Reconn TIC was 1014H was contact start. They saw 02 individuals walking towards their perimeter from the west. U.S. claymores were blown on enemy. Immediately they received small arms fire from the north, west and south west. E Co recon engaged with organics, artillery, AFA, air strike (napalm). E Co recon has negative casualties. Results of Recon's sweep of the area at 1315H revealed 01 heavy blood trail, 01 drag mark from 02 individuals with Recon claimed were killed by the claymores they blew on the enemy. The drag marks led off to the northwest.	JS	JM
21.	1014		Bn NCS/Bde S-3: YU 357228; E Co Recon requested pink team on stand by for E Co Recon TIC. grid YU 357228. ETA 1215H-1245H.	JS	DE
22.	1020		Bn NCS/Bde S-3 Asst: YU 357228; Requested		

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1020

Continuation from page 3: immediate air strike
for E Co Recon TIC, ordonnances requested napalm,
Rush 02, ETA fighters on station ASAP, TOS 1030H,
completed at 110H, broke station at 1140. Broke
station at 1140.

JS

DB

23.

1120

B Co S-2 Asst/Bn NCS: YU 269171; LRRP Team #78-
inserted at 1058H.

JS

DB

24.

1300

B Co/Bn NCS: YU 322284; B Co-During the process
of the first lift into PZ some of the lift A/Cs
took ground to air fire from the east by AK47.
The A/C took fire after breaking speed on approach
into PZ at tree top level. Approach was east to west
about 150 meters out of PZ. The pilot saw about
8 individuals and engaged. They think they got
one individual. The pilot says he took about
15 rounds of AK47 fire. The bird returned to
FSB Nguyen Trai and counted 08 rounds in body of
bird. 01 Pilot wounded, "WO1 Jordon". He has
a broken nail and frag wounds in one calf.

JS

JM

25.

1448

B Co S-2 Air Asst/Bn NCS: YU 340328, enemy ele-
ment 250 meters early afternoon, 36 105 rounds.

JS

JM

26.

1500

All Units/Bn NCS: A Co-Battens A2-Thomas, B Co-
Nguyen Trai, C Co-YU 330289, D Co-Nguyen Trai, Recon-YU 357220.

JM

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27.

1501

B Co Recon/Bn NCS: YU 357228; 1450H Recon spotted
 02 individuals, engaged and received negative
 return fire and they evaded to the west.

JS

DG

28.

1505

Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Lift Report; B Co at 1330H
 on LZ at 1430H, on LZ at 1335H, completed at
 1447H, PZ YU 322284, LZ Nguyen Trai, PZ & LZ
 green.

J

JS

JM

29.

1521

Bde S-2 NCO/Bn NCS: 1/8 Cavalry will be responsible for
 overwatch/securing of convoy on Route 311. Cpt
 Fitzgerald will attend a meeting at Bde 090900H
 and get full information. Negative information
 of when convoy will be conducted.

JS

JM

30.

1602

Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Lift Report; D Co at 1520H
 , PZ clear at 1527H on LZ at 1527H, completed
 at 1611H, PZ YU 355228, LZ Nguyen Trai, number
 of sorties-24, LZ green. B Co Recon at 1550H,
 PZ clear at 1604H, on LZ at 1555H, completed
 at 1608H, LZ Nguyen Trai, EZ YU 355228, number
 of sorties-06, LZ green.

JS

JM

31.

1615

Bde S-3/Bn S-3 Air: 1/8 will have road security
 for a convey of four (04) command cars and 08 trucks
 traveling from ? to Saigon. 1/8 AO will include
 from YU 166821 (CP #3) on 9th May to Phuoc Vinh Bridge.

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31.	1615		Continuation from page 5: Convoy will come back on 11 May 1970. See spot report 29.	JS	JM
32.	1918		1/77 Artillery LNO NCO/B _n NCS: Heavy Artillery Bex -sometime tonight 08 May 70; Bex YU 390360, YU 390360, YU 390330, YU 390330 and 3 eliek buffer zone.	JS	JM
33.	2004		Air Strike for 09 May 70; (1) YU 353221; 1230H 500 lbs with 01 25 fuzings, (2) YU 353223, 1300H, 500 lb .01 instantensive fusing. (2) YU 332226 1400H, 500 lb with .01 delay and napalm.	JS	JM
34.	2000		D Co/B _n NCS: YU 353225; At grid YU 353255 which is also D Co, NDP they found; 01 bunkers 10'x20' with 05' OHC. Bunker was old, found inside bunkers 02 bikes old but usable, 02 lanterns, 01 usable, they also found 01 82mm mortar complete, 05 60mm mortars complete, 01 75mm recoilless rifle, 02 57 recoilless rifles, 01 M60 machineguns, 01 SKS rifle, 01 B40 launcher, they also found 10 cases of B40 rockets, 15 20 20 rounds for 57mm recoilless rifles rounds, 100 60mm rounds, all well oiled and in good condition. Due to darkness, D Co will wait until morning to check it out. D Co CO believes there are more weapons in bunker. CO said that ammo is laying		

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34.

2000

Continuation from page 6: on top of more weapons.

D Co will check it out at first light and give

serial numbers to weapons also. Also found a

02' east west trail with heavy recent use at same grid JS

JM

35.

2030

All Units/Bn NCS: RDS Report; A Co-122-03-13.

B Co-114-05-13, (04 RM back on R&R, 01 Officer new).

C Co-102-04-15. D Co-113-03-12. E Co Mortars-34-01. E Co

Recon Platoon-23-01-11.

JS

OR

36.

2036

All Units/Bn NCS: Night Locations; A Co-FSB Buttons,

2nd Plt-FSB Thomas. B Co-FSB Nguyen Trai, 1st

Plt-YU 367266. C Co-YU 334285, 3rd sqd-100M,

150 degrees, 350 degrees, 160 degree. D Co-YU

353225. E Co(-)*FSB Nguyen Trai. E Co-FSB Nguyen

Trai.

JS

JS

JM

37.

2043

All Units/Bn NCS: Ambush Report; Negative Day

ambushes; Night ambushes; Negative ambushes for

A Co. 02 automatic ambushes for B Co at night.

07 automatic ambushes for C Co, and 03 squad

size ambushes for D Co at night. 06 automatic

ambushes for D Co. Negative ambushes for E Co

Recon at night.

JS

JM

38.

2044

Bn NCS/Bde NCS: FSB Nguyen Trai. PDS FSB Nguyen

Trai; HHC & E Co, 80 RM, 32 NCO, 11 Officers.

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38.

2044

Continuation from page 7: Base Defense-66 EM.

17 NCO, 03 Officers. 155-39 EM, 08 NCO, 04 Officers.

105-38 EM, 11 NCO, 04 Officers. Black Hats-

02 EM.

JS

JM

39.

2045

All Units/^B NCS: Sniper Report; A Co-01 FSB

Buttons, 01 Bien Hoa, for maintenance and zero

weapon. B Co-01 FSB Nguyen Trai. D Co-01 in the

field. Recon platoon-01 R&R, 01 FSB Nguyen Trai.

B Co 01 scout dog at FSB Nguyen Trai. D Co-01

scout dog in the field.

JS

JM

40.

2046

C Co/^B NCS: C Co request Pink Team to check out

area where ground to air fire today in the vicinity

of B Co. Request pink team first thing tomorrow morning.

JS

41.

2045

Bde S-2 Air/^B NCS: Night Hawk Boxes; (4) YU

1546, YU 2246, YU 2233, YU 1533, 5-2836, YU 4036,

YU 4031, YU 2831.

JS

JM

42.

2131

Bde NCS/^B NCS: SOI Changes; Item 3-effective

082400H M y; (A) Item #43A-3, 1st Brigade Nets,

B-2 primary 70.55 to 37.65. (B) Item 45J-3,

1/9 C-Troop Command Operations Primary 30.20 to

54-30. (C) Item 46-3 1/77 Artillery; F/3 36.55

to 35.90, F/5 61.90 to 44.75. Add F/5 relay

70.50, F/6 71.95 to 71.40.

JS

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2212

Bde NCS/B_n NCS: FY 1140, YU 3952 5, heavy Adv-
2145.

JS

KB

44.

2215

Bde NCS/B_n NCS: Ranger Box for 5 Day Recon: Priority
#1 grid YU 25 5, YU 3035, YU 2531, YU 3031, Prior-
ity #2-YU 3620, YU 3616, YU 4020, YU 4016, Priority
3; YU 4127, YU 4123, YU 4527, YU 4523.

JS

KB

45.

2220

Bde S-3/B_n S-3: ^{S-3} request to destroyed the
weapon that D Co found 08 May. Bde ^{S-3} do not
wish that the weapon be destroyed. Bde ^{S-3} will
talk to Bde ^{C.O.} 29 and call back with information
about weapons.

JS

KB

46.

2240

Bn S-3 Air/Bde NCS: Finals for 9 May 70; A Co
(+)-OPCON 5/12 Infantry, FSB Battons and Thomas.
B Co(-)-Base Defense FSB Nguyen Trai. C Co-will
ground recon to southwest and detailed search
cache area, then establish NDP YU 325202. D Co-
detailed search cache area, then ground recon
to southwest, then establish NDP YU 346222. E Co-
Base Defense FSB Nguyen Trai, then ground recon
to northeast, then NDP YU 370269.

JS

KB

47.

2241

Bn S-3 Air/Bde NCS: Tentatives for 10 May; A Co
(+)OPCON 5/12 Infantry, FSB Battons and Thomas.
B Co(-)Base Defense FSB Nguyen Trai, then ground

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47.	2241	Continuation from page 9: northeast, then establish NDP YU 371277, detailed search of area. D Co-detailed search of cache area, then ground recon southwest, NDP YU 318279. D Co will ground recon to south west, then NDP YU 342218. E Co -Base Defense FSB Nguyen Trai.	JS	KB	
48.	2315	Bn S-3 Air/Bde S-3 Air: Air strike request for 9 May 70: (1) YU 271411, 750 lb daisy cutter, LZ construct nearest friendlies 10K south. (2) YU 274411, 750 lb daisy cutter, LZ construct nearest friendlies 10K south. (3) YU 271414, 750 lbs daisy cutter, LZ construct nearest friendlies 10K south. (4) YU 274415, 750 lb daisy cutter, LZ construct nearest friendlies 10 south.	JS	KB	
49.	2400	Bn NCS/Bn S-3: Daily Summary. 08 May 1970; E Co Recon at YU 357228 initiated contact with unknown size enemy force. Results-02 NVA KIA. B Co at YU 322284 had ground to air fire during DE, 01 WIA (A/C pilot). B Co moved from YU 322284 to LZ Nguyen Trai. D Co moved to YU 355228 from FSB Nguyen Trai. E Co Recon moved from YU 355228 to FSB Nguyen Trai, for Base Defense.	JS	KB	
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