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| 1.      | 0140 |     | Bn NCS: JOURNAL OPENED.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | JS           | DQ       |
| 2.      | 0100 |     | Bde S-2/Bn S-2: YT 101917-102200. 2.)-YU 182142-<br>2030H-800 meters radius. 3.)-XU 910246-2055H-<br>3500 meters radius. 4.)-XU 776259-2055H. 5.)-<br>YT 101197-2055H. URS for 12 Jul 70.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | JS           | DQ       |
| 3.      | 0230 |     | Bn S-2/Bde S-2: On 11 Jul 70, B Co, 1/8 Cav<br>was preparing to backlog enemy ammo found in<br>a cache on 10 Jul at YU 249439. Local patrols<br>went out to maintain security while ammo was<br>prepared for backlog. 3rd plt, B Co moved generally<br>north from B Co which was working on a pad.<br>They stopped short of an open field approximately<br>150 meters across and sent up a 5 man patrol to recon<br>this field located at YU 248443. A MG was set<br>up on the south side of the field while two men<br>from the patrol walked up either side of the field<br>staying near the woodline. They had walked about<br>75 meters when 2 skirmish lines of approximately<br>40 to 50 NVA came out of the woodline on the north<br>side of the field walking south. They were wearing<br>fresh green NVA fatigues with AK47 and had with<br>helmet or boonie hats. The men from the 3rd plt<br>realizing what was happening, immediately took the |              |          |

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Continuation from page 1: enemy under fire killing two outright by small arms. The patrols MG on the other side of the field opened fire. The NDA returned fire by small arms and automatic weapon but immediately broke retreating to the woodline north of the clearing. Based on what the patrol saw and the volume of enemy fire which included at least one IMG, they estimated they were up against an enemy company. The two individuals from the patrol crawled back to their MG while the rest of the 3rd plt moved up to support the patrol. Mortar fire, artillery fire, airstrikes and ARA expended on the north side of the clearing and a nearby gully running east west about 20 to 30 meters in the woodline north of the field. The enemy was disorganized to say the least. They would retreat into the gully only to be pounded by all the fire support. When the enemy went south towards the clearing, the 3rd plt would force them back with their organic firepower. The river between Vietnam and Cambodia cut off escape to the north. Mortar fire and artillery along with CS used to prevent any east or west

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Continuation from page 2: escape. Contact broke at 1341H. Fire was still placed into the contact area and possible routes of escape. A pink team flying over the area detected movement in a gully running northeast from the eastern and east west gully north of the clearing. Napalm was immediately dropped along that whole area. B Co moved up the 3rd plt and contact was initiated when the enemy was again sighted at the north side of the clearing at 1610H. Contact remained sporadic until it broke at 1738H. A pink team working in the area reported killing 02 individuals and saw 02 KIA. Air strike, 01 KIA-ARA, 01 KIA. While cobra gunships were making runs, B Co reported seeing a smoke trail of what was believed to be a B40 rocket. The gunship was not hit. B Co swept the woodline and part of the gully on the north side of the field, and after a partial search pulled back to a night location beginning at 1810H. JS

TB

4.

0120

Bde NCS/Bn NCS: SOI Change effective 122400H; 43B-7, 2nd Bde B-3, 38.70. 45B-7, 2/5 Cmd pri 55.30. 45B-7, 5/7 A/L-69.95. C Co-49.40. D Co-64.90. 45I-7, 2/12 A/L-35.00. 47-7 228 Cmd-255.4, A Co-251.6, B Co-252.2. JS

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0600

Bde NCS/Bn NCS: Negative Significant Events in the  
last 12 hours.

JS

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6.

0600

All Units/Bn NCS: Negative Sit Rep (0100,0200,  
0300,0400,0500,0600H).

JS

RL

7.

0645

Log Air Craft & CC/Bn NCS: Log and CC on station  
at 0645H.

JS

RL

8.

0652

Bn S-3/Bde S-3: Bn S-3 requested traffic with  
Bde S-3 for the first time today. The Bde S-3  
has not come in to the TOC yet, but will probably  
be in 15 to 20 minutes. Bde S-3 will then return  
the call to Bn S-3.

JS

DB

9.

0725

Bn S-3/Bde S-3: Bn S-3 attempted to contact Bde  
S-3. He was not available.

JS

DB

10.

0730

Bn NCS/Bde S-2 Asst: Requested pink team for  
B Co first light check and VR. ETA 0845H.

JS

DB

11.

0740

Bde S-2 NCO/Bn NCS: Sniffer boxes; 3)-YU 2638,  
2643,2948,3148,3138. 4)-YU 2526,3026,2024,2534.  
5)-YU 2240,2643,2634,2234. 6)-YU 1736,2239,2238,1728.

JS

DB

12.

0745

All Units/Bn NCS: Up on the pill (A,B,C,D,E,  
Recon. Trips and claymores are in at 0745H.

JS

RL

13.

0800

Bn S-3/Bde S-3: Request to speak to Bde S-3/  
still not available. Bn S-3 put up appointment  
to talk with Bde S-2 when available.

JS

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14.

0845

Bash 26/Bn NCS: On station for VR of 1/8 Cav

AO.

JS

KB

15.

0850

Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Request traffic for Bde for the

3rd time this morning, still negative reply.

Bde S-3 is not in.

JS

DB

16.

0915

Bde S-2 Asst/Bn S-3: In reference to pink team;

In order for a pink team to fly in support of a

company that is within 500 meters of the border

of Cambodia. 1/8 must do the following; 1.) Have

Bde CO's Okay. 2.) Have C1/9 Squadron Commanders

Okay. Have both Okay's before C1/9 can work within

500 meters of the Cambodian border.

JS

DB

17.

0950

C Co, 5/7 Cav/Bn NCS: YU 263445; Found O1 trail

east-west very hard packed about 1 to 2 feet wide

last used 06 months ago. YU 264445; found O1

trail on a heading of 290 degrees with very hard

packed, with negative recent use in the last month.

JS

KB

18.

1000

Bde S-3/Bn NCS: 1/8 E Co Recon lift will be

pushed back to 1200H on 1215H.

JS

DB

19.

1008

Bn NCS/ A Co: YU256432; found O1 can of 7.62mm

ammo type 53, 440 rd per case, 03 to 04 months in

place in good condition.

JS

KB

20.

1010

All Units/Bn NCS: Current locations; A Co-YU

256432. B Co-YU249442. C Co-FSB Mo. D Co-OPCON

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| 20.      | 1010 |     | Continuation from page 5: 1/12 Cav. E Co-FSB<br>Mo. Recon-YU 250360. C Co, 5/7-YU 266440.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | JS           | KB       |
| 21.      | 1035 |     | Corner 22/Bn NCS: YU245438, northeast southwest<br>trail 3' wide, 03 3'x5' bunkers, 02 10'x 20' bunkers<br>used in the last 24 hours. 01 destroyed by artillery,<br>03 10'x15' bunkers, 01 "L" shape bunker with<br>light recent use in area. YU 247448 found 01 3'x3'<br>fighting position with negative recent use, YU<br>243444, a river crossing point with moderate recent use in the<br>last 02 weeks. YU 247445 found 01 hole with<br>light recent use, 01 fighting position 3'x5', 02<br>3'x3' fighting position positions with light recent<br>use. | JS           | KB       |
| 22.      | 1119 |     | Bn S-3/Bde S-3: 00 Air craft non-operational<br>at 1105H. The pilot bounced a replacement A/C.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | JS           | DB       |
| 23.      | 1145 |     | Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Request tracker team for B Co,<br>1/8 Cav to be inserted this afternoon.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | JS           | DB       |
| 24.      | 1205 |     | All Units/Bn NCS: Current locations; A Co-YU<br>256432. B Co-YU 249442. C Co-FSB Mo. C Co, 5/7<br>Cav-YU 266440. D Co-OPCON to 1/12 Cav. E Co(-)-<br>FSB Mo. Recon-YU 250360.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | JS           | KB       |
| 25.      | 1225 |     | Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Bn Commander request traffic<br>with Bde S-3 (not available in briefing).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | JS           | DB       |

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| 26.      | 1327 |     | Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Lift of E Co Recon from YU 250360 to FSB Mo; Lift began at 1307H, PZ clear at 1321H, first in PZ at 1311H, first in LZ-1315H, number of sorties-07, completed at 1327H, color of PZ*green. JS KB                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |              |          |
| 27.      | 1340 |     | B Co/Bn NCS: YU 249441; B Co reported that their patrol to the east-northeast found at YU 250441 04 bunkers 4'x6' with good OHC and negative recent use. Also a northwest-southeast trail 1' wide with negative recent use. Found a bridge crossing a northeast-southwest stream 10'x8'. At YU 252441 on top hill found 10 bunkers 4'x6' with 02' OHC. At YU 253441 found 15 hootches frame 10'x15' with negative recent use. JS OR |              |          |
| 28.      | 1350 |     | C Co, 5/7/Bn NCS: YU 269440; found 01 trail north south, 01 to 1 1/2' wide with very hard packed. 01 corn field, 100 meters in diameter (corn in this field stands 5' high-corn ears are 4" long). C Co CO would like this field to be destroyed by a napalm airstrike. JS KB                                                                                                                                                       |              |          |
| 29.      | 1500 |     | Bn S-2/Bde S-2: VR Request #1-to work with A Co and B Co at YU 255433 and YU 249442 and C Co, 5/7 at YU 267440 to locate signs of enemy activity and possible cache sites. VR Request #3 to work with D Co                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |              |          |

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Continuation from page 7: at YU 273415 to spot

signs of enemy movement. VR Request #2 to work

with C1/8 at YU 271454, near their area of insertion

for signs of enemy activity. Sniffer Box #1-2747,

3147, 3142, 2742. #2-2544, 3042, 2738, 2344.

JS

PD

30.

1510

G Co, 5/7/Bn NCS: Found at grid YU 270440, 281.

enemy night location 10 meters in diameter used

by 05 individual, sugar cane and G-Ration were

found in the area. G-Ration also was found at

YU 270438 and a trail at YU 270438 of 240 degree

azimuth 4' wide very hard packed. Last used

in the last 02 to 03 days fighting bunkers 9'x2'

x5' with bamboo OHC very old.

JS

KB

31.

1510

Bde S-2 Asst/Bn NCS: YU Sensor activation since

122100H; 122242H-395215-heavy. 130233H-350534-

medium. 130234H-338604-medium. 130235H-315583-

medium. 130428H-388205-heavy. 130852-064055-medium. JS

PD

32.

1520

All Units/Bn NCS: Current locations; A Co-YU 256432.

B Co-YU 249442. C Co-FSB Mo. D Co-OPCON 1/12 Cav.

E Co-FSB Mo. C Co, 5/7-YU 266440 moving east.

JS

KB

33.

1630

Bde S-3 Shop/Bn NCS: Request scout dog team for

C Co, 1/8 Cav/report to FSB Buttons NLT 0700H.

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B Co/Bn NCS: B Co patrol to the northwest reported

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Continuation from page 8: at YU 249445 a north-north  
east trail, 2' wide used by 10 to 20 individual moving  
northeast in the last 03 days. At YU 249442 have an  
east northeast trail 2' wide used by 10 to 20  
individuals in the last 03 days moving north east  
at YU 247443 found blood under tree and was not  
real fresh.

JS

PD

35.

1735

Bn NCS/Bde NCS: CC Aircraft released at 1725H.  
Log aircraft released at 1755H.

JS

OR

36.

1715

C Co/Bn NCS: YU 272439; Found what looked like  
a Chinese letter, written in Cambodian-size 10x12.  
ARVN Handbill written in Cambodian no tactical value  
will be backhauled.

JS

KB

37.

1812

All Units/Bn NCS: Night locations; A Co-YU 256432.  
B Co-YU 249442. D Co-FSB Mo. D Co-OPCON to 1/12 Cav  
at YU 216365. E Co(-)-FSB Mo. E Co Recon-FSB Mo.  
5/7 Cav-YU 272439.

JS

OR

38.

1825

All Units/Bn NCS: up on the bull (A,B,C,D,E,5/7 Cav). JS

OR

39.

1837

Bde S-2 NCO/Bn NCS: Red haze; TOT 2300H, 13 Jul 70;  
TOT 2300H, 13 Jul 70; 1002-YU 2039, 2939, 2930, 2030.  
1008-YU 2029, 2929, 2020, 2920.

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1910

Bn NCS/Bde NCS PDS FSB Mo; HHC & E Co-105, 41, 10. Base  
Defense-64, 18, 02. 155-38, 11, 02. 105-43, 12, 04.

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Continuation from page 9: Engineers-07,02. Path

finders-01,01. 13th Signal Bn-01,02.

JS

OR

41.

1910

Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Exposure report; D Co-first

sortie at 0935H, last sortie at 0945H, started at 0920H, ended at

1000H, number of sorties -01, remarks-log. B Co-

first sortie at 1615H, last sortie at 1655H, started at 1600H,

ended at 11710H, number of sorties-05, remarks-log. JS

OR

42.

1910

All Units/Bn NCS: PDS All Units; A Co-88,02,07.

B Co-74,03,10. C Co-82,02,13. D Co-OPCON 1/12 Cav,

71,10,02. E Co(-)-40,01, E Co Recon-31,01,01.

5/7 Cav, C Co-75,03,08.

JS

OR

43.

1910

All Units/Bn NCS: Sniper report; A Co-01, B Co-0,

C Co-01, D Co-01, E Co-01.

JS

PD

44.

2000

B Co/Bn NCS: Following are targets destroyed

around B Co area; YU 249443; 01 3' wide trail cut

by air, 08 3'x5' bunkers, 03 to 10'x20' bunker. 2.)-YU

253444-20 3'x5' bunkers destroyed by artillery and air,

5 10'x20' bunkers, 03 3' wide trails cut by artillery

and air, 15 hootches destroyed by artillery and

air 3.)-YU 248445; Hill leveled 5' by air, unknown

number of bunkers destroyed. 4.)-YU 247443-blood

pool at base of tree area, area had been hit by

AK47, artillery and AR4. 5.)-YU 253438-5 3'x5' bunkers,

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| 44.      | 2000 |     | Continuation from page 9: 04 10'x20' bunkers destroyed by artillery and ARA., 01 trail out and covered by artillery and ARA. 6.)-YU 248439-01 road cut-10' wide and covered trees, 01 bridge destroyed, all by air. 7.)YU 249441, 04 10'x20' bunkers, 01 20'x30' bunkers, 10 3'x5' bunkers, all destroyed by air. 8.) YU 267439-05 3'x5' bunkers, 01 10'x20' bunkers, all destroyed by artillery. 9.)-YU 259439-15 3'x5' bunkers, 10 5'x7' bunkers, 15 10'x15' all destroyed by artillery and air, 01 trail out by artillery. | JS           | HM       |
| 45.      | 2015 |     | Bde NCS/Bn NCS: Sensor activation in Cambodia; Activated by air force; mission YU 350633 time 0233H, YU 338602-0234H, YU 314581-0235H.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | JS           | PD       |
| 46.      | 2035 |     | All Units/Bn NCS: Ambush Report; Negative day ambushes. A Co-03 A/A. B Co-15 A/A. C Co-11 A/A. D Co-OPCON 1/12. E Co Recon-O. 5/7 C Co-06,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | JS           | OR       |
| 47.      | 2115 |     | Bn S-3 Air/Bde S-3 Air: Aircraft request for 14 jul; 01 UH1H for CG aircraft report to FSB Buttana at 0700H and contact "Passer 8 Oscar" (Commo rear) on 45.85, pick up sortie for FSB Mo and contact "Passer 34"(TOC RTO) on 32.45. Request aircraft have "Y" cord. 01 UH1H for log aircraft. Report same as CG. All crews have protective masks.                                                                                                                                                                            |              | PD       |

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| 48.      | 2120 |     | Bn S-3 Air/Bde S-3 Air: Immediate airstrike requests for 14 Jul 70; Target #1, 51 cal pit, bunkers, other military structures at YU 271454, nearest friendlies 1.5 kilometers to the south. Ordnance-500 lb and napalm. Preplanned for 15 Jul 70; Target-#1-corn field with ears near maturity, YU 269440, nears friendlies-600 meters to the east. Ordnance-wall to wall napalm.                                                                                                             | JS           | PD       |
| 49.      | 2200 |     | Bde NCS/Bn NCS: Night locations; A Co-FSB Barry. B Co-YU 216365. C-YU 124284. D Co-141352. E(-)-FSB Barry. Recon-FSB Thomas. 2/12 Night location-A-FSB 1 B. B-YU 373447. C Co-YU 395476. D Co-112160. E-342509. 5/7-A Co(-)-FSB Snuffy. B Co-YU 342306. C Co-O:CON, 1/8-272439. D-YU 388346. E-FSB Snuffy.                                                                                                                                                                                    |              | JS       |
| 50.      | 2230 |     | Bn S-3/Bde S-3: Final plan for 14 Jul; A Co-walk onto FSB Mo, assume base defense FSB Mo. B Co-continue exploitation of cache area, NDP in YU 247440. C Co-SEC/OA from FSB Mo to YU 271454, conduct groundreconnaissance to the north, NDP at YU 272459. D Co-SEC/SEC at YU 222369 to YU 266438. Conduct GR to the north, NDP in YU 267443. E Co(-)-Base defense FSB Mo. Recon-SEC/OA from FSB Mo to YU 302432. C 5/7-Sec to S Co from YU 266438 to FSB Snuffy, return to control of 5/7 Cav. | JS           | DQ       |
| 51.      | 2225 |     | Bn S-3/Bde S-3: Tentative plans for 15 Jul 70;                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |              |          |

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