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1.	0001		Ede NGS/ st Cav NGS: JOURNAL OPENED.	JS	MD
2.	0600		Ede NGS/ st Cav NGS: Negative significant events overnight.	JS	MD
3.	0600		All Units/ st Cav NGS: Hourly "situation Reports: (0100, 0200, 0300, 0400, 0500, 0600H), Negative.	JS	MD
4.	0655		Ede S-3/ st Cav NGS: Log aircraft 523, GC aircraft 172, weather poor.	JS	DW
5.	0745		All Units/ st Cav NGS: Up on the hill (A,B,C,D,E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z, AA, AB, AC, AD, AE, AF, AG, AH, AI, AJ, AK, AL, AM, AN, AO, AP, AQ, AR, AS, AT, AU, AV, AW, AX, AY, AZ, BA, BB, BC, BD, BE, BF, BG, BH, BI, BJ, BK, BL, BM, BN, BO, BP, BQ, BR, BS, BT, BU, BV, BW, BX, BY, BZ, CA, CB, CC, CD, CE, CF, CG, CH, CI, CJ, CK, CL, CM, CN, CO, CP, CQ, CR, CS, CT, CU, CV, CW, CX, CY, CZ, DA, DB, DC, DD, DE, DF, DG, DH, DI, DJ, DK, DL, DM, DN, DO, DP, DQ, DR, DS, DT, DU, DV, DW, DX, DY, DZ, EA, EB, EC, ED, EE, EF, EG, EH, EI, EJ, EK, EL, EM, EN, EO, EP, EQ, ER, ES, ET, EU, EV, EW, EX, EY, EZ, FA, FB, FC, FD, FE, FF, FG, FH, FI, FJ, FK, FL, FM, FN, FO, FP, FQ, FR, FS, FT, FU, FV, FW, FX, FY, FZ, GA, GB, GC, GD, GE, GF, GG, GH, GI, GJ, GK, GL, GM, GN, GO, GP, GQ, GR, GS, GT, GU, GV, GW, GX, GY, GZ, HA, HB, HC, HD, HE, HF, HG, HH, HI, HJ, HK, HL, HM, HN, HO, HP, HQ, HR, HS, HT, HU, HV, HW, HX, HY, HZ, IA, IB, IC, ID, IE, IF, IG, IH, II, IJ, IK, IL, IM, IN, IO, IP, IQ, IR, IS, IT, IU, IV, IW, IX, IY, IZ, JA, JB, JC, JD, JE, JF, JG, JH, JI, JJ, JK, JL, JM, JN, JO, JP, JQ, JR, JS, JT, JU, JV, JW, JX, JY, JZ, KA, KB, KC, KD, KE, KF, KG, KH, KI, KJ, KK, KL, KM, KN, KO, KP, KQ, KR, KS, KT, KU, KV, KW, KX, KY, KZ, LA, LB, LC, LD, LE, LF, LG, LH, LI, LJ, LK, LL, LM, LN, LO, LP, LQ, LR, LS, LT, LU, LV, LW, LX, LY, LZ, MA, MB, MC, MD, ME, MF, MG, MH, MI, MJ, MK, ML, MM, MN, MO, MP, MQ, MR, MS, MT, MU, MV, MW, MX, MY, MZ, NA, NB, NC, ND, NE, NF, NG, NH, NI, NJ, NK, NL, NM, NN, NO, NP, NQ, NR, NS, NT, NU, NV, NW, NX, NY, NZ, OA, OB, OC, OD, OE, OF, OG, OH, OI, OJ, OK, OL, OM, ON, OO, OP, OQ, OR, OS, OT, OU, OV, OW, OX, OY, OZ, PA, PB, PC, PD, PE, PF, PG, PH, PI, PJ, PK, PL, PM, PN, PO, PP, PQ, PR, PS, PT, PU, PV, PW, PX, PY, PZ, QA, QB, QC, QD, QE, QF, QG, QH, QI, QJ, QK, QL, QM, QN, QO, QP, QQ, QR, QS, QT, QU, QV, QW, QX, QY, QZ, RA, RB, RC, RD, RE, RF, RG, RH, RI, RJ, RK, RL, RM, RN, RO, RP, RQ, RR, RS, RT, RU, RV, RW, RX, RY, RZ, SA, SB, SC, SD, SE, SF, SG, SH, SI, SJ, SK, SL, SM, SN, SO, SP, SQ, SR, SS, ST, SU, SV, SW, SX, SY, SZ, TA, TB, TC, TD, TE, TF, TG, TH, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TM, TN, TO, TP, TQ, TR, TS, TT, TU, TV, TW, TX, TY, TZ, UA, UB, UC, UD, UE, UF, UG, UH, UI, UJ, UK, UL, UM, UN, UO, UP, UQ, UR, US, UT, UY, UZ, VA, VB, VC, VD, VE, VF, VG, VH, VI, VJ, VK, VL, VM, VN, VO, VP, VQ, VR, VS, VT, VU, VV, VW, VX, VY, VZ, WA, WB, WC, WD, WE, WF, WG, WH, WI, WJ, WK, WL, WM, WN, WO, WP, WQ, WR, WS, WT, WU, WV, WW, WX, WY, WZ, XA, XB, XC, XD, XE, XF, XG, XH, XI, XJ, XK, XL, XM, XN, XO, XP, XQ, XR, XS, XT, XU, XV, XW, XX, XY, XZ, YA, YB, YC, YD, YE, YF, YG, YH, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YM, YN, YO, YP, YQ, YR, YS, YT, YU, YV, YW, YX, YY, YZ, ZA, ZB, ZC, ZD, ZE, ZF, ZG, ZH, ZI, ZJ, ZK, ZL, ZM, ZN, ZO, ZP, ZQ, ZR, ZS, ZT, ZU, ZV, ZW, ZX, ZY, ZZ.	JS	DW
6.	0845		Ede Comm Off/Ede NGS: Request new test frequency for 1/8 Cav CMD(Pri). st Cav Engineer element is on 54.65. New test frequency is 68.45. Relay is going to monitor this push for possible (CMD) Pri. Relay monitored this push and reported that there is very strong override from the Crime location. Called Ede and requested new test frequency(1820 hrs). 1906 hrs requested new test push for possible CMD.	JS	DM
7.	0900		Ede S-2 Asst/ st Cav NGS: Night Hawk; #3-1124, 1624, 2628, 2228. #4-2825, 3225, 3216, 2816. Cleared.	JS	DQ
8.	0940		All Units/ st Cav NGS: Current locations; A Co-YU 305285, 3rd pln-YU 310282. B Co-FSB Betty.		

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Continuation from page 1: C De-YU 255335 leg
pad. E Co-ESB Betty. E Co-Rosen-YU 212292
leg pad.

JS

DR

9.1020

Bn Sig Off/Rde sig Off: Request call signs and
frequency of MAGV Dist TOG in the Bu Dep/Bo
Duc and Lee Ninh area. Also in this area, do
these friendly stations use the same secure keylist
(AKAK8161) as 1/8 Cav. Bn Sig Off also requested
that 1/8 Cav be on regular distribution list
of any SOI changes in this area. 2035 hrs-
same as above and repeat request for test frequency.

JS

DQ

10.1215

Rde S-2/Bn S-3: Letter from Division CO to
all units; SUBJECT: Use of Mad Minutes.
(1) Units in the division frequency conduct mad
minutes as a matter of SOP and not based on a
tactical situation. The uncontrolled use of mad minutes
for test firing or fire base displays, results in
(a) developments of habits leading to the loss
of fire control at critical moments. (b) Waste of critical
ammunition (c) compromise of crew served weapons
positions. (2) Indiscriminate use of mad
minutes is discouraged, however the less it can
be gainfully executed to determine enemy infiltration.

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Continuation from page 2: and build up or
to increase the individuals soldier confidence
by releasing tension built up after long hours
of alertness. (3) It is incumbent upon the
commander to insure that mad minutes are conducted
with a specific objective in mind, which benefit the
unit and the soldier and is not executed as a matter of
SOP.

JS

DQ

11.

1332

Bde S-3 Air/Bn S-3 Air: Air strike will go in at
YU 284263 between 1355 hrs and 1410 hrs.

JS

JD

12.

1400

All Units/Bn NCS: Current locations; A Co-YU
304285, A Co 3rd plt-YU 3102828 B Co-FSB Betty.
C Co-YU 217365. D Co-YU 255335. E Co-FSB Betty.
F Co B Coen-YU 212290.

JS

JD

13.

1430

A Co/Bn NCS: YU 303286; found 01 northwest
southeast 3' wide trail with bamboo matting on it
36" wide 2" thick staked down to the trail into
bamboo about every 4'. Same grid found 15 to 20
bunkers 3'x8' with 2' one alternating in both
side of the trail intermitting every 40 meters an
with negativ recent use. YU 393285; found 01
northwest southeast 4' wide trail old with
negative recent use. YU 302286; found 01 3' wide

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13.	1430		Continuation from page 3: going northwest of the trail at YU 303286 with negative recent use. YU 301286; 3' wide trail going northwest from 1st grid YU 303286 with negative recent use.	JS	DB
14.	1451		Rank 27(aircraft)/Bn NCS: Working in general vicinity of AO. TBS 1514 hrs.	JS.	KB
15.	1500		Bde S-3 Air/Bn S-3 Air: Hqve GC aircraft talk to pathfinders when he is released, they have a load of bamboo for them to take back to Phuoc Vinh. They are to notify their own family after they have bamboo loaded up and their family will have someone standing by to unload it.	JS	JD
16.	1514		Bn S-2/Bde S-2: VR and Sniffer; VR Request #1-A. #2-B. #3 D. Sniffer boxes: #1-west portion of box #7. #2-box #14. #3-center portion of box #15. #4-box #22.	JS	JD
17.	1543		B Co/Bn NCS: See to DX with G.Os, 1/8 Cav from FSB Betty ye YU 217365; lifted started at 1436 hrs, 1st pz at 1437 hrs, 1st LZ at 1451 hrs, PZ clear at 1518 hrs, number of sorties-06+02x17. PZ & LZ-green, lift completed at 1524 hrs.	JS	DB
18.	1543		G Co/Bn NCS: FE/SE at YU 217365 to FSB Betty. Lift started at 1436 hrs, 1st PZ at 1451 hrs,		

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Continuation from page 4: 1st LZ at 1500 hrs.

PZ Clear at 1529 hrs, number of sorties-06+02x19,

PZ & LZ Green. lift completed at 1531 hrs.

JB

DB

19.

1605

A Co/Bn HQS: YU 303282; found 01 southeast, northwest

1' wide trail fairly new there is fresh bamboo in

area and there has been recent use and movement

to both directions. YU 304283; found a beech

frame made of bamboo 10'x14'x4' high. There

is a platform underneath covering 01 bunker 8'x4'

with 2' overhead cover. The beeches had no roof and

showed negative recent use. YU 304282; found

02 trails 1 1/2' wide 01 going northwest, 01 going

northeast with negative recent use or recent

movement.

JS

DB

20.

1607

Bn S-3/Bde S-3: Scout dog request for 21 Aug 70;

Request scout dog team for A Co and request team

report to FSB Betty at 0700 hrs. Be prepared to

remain in field for 03 days.

JS

JD

21.

1613

Bn S-3/Bde S-3: Negative change in plan for

tomorrow; D Co and recon platoon were logged

today. A Co will be logged tomorrow.

JS

JD

22.

1700

Bde S-3 Air/Bn S-3 Air: Radar sky spots went

in today; YU 284263, LZ construct at 1410 hrs.

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1700

Continuation from page 5: YU 186346, LZ Construct

at 1505 hrs. Tomorrow: YU 310245, LZ Construct

at 1300 hrs. YU 227385, LZ Construct at 1430 hrs. JS JD

23.

1750

Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Mortar report; 1. E 60/40, G-16.

2. E 60/40, G-01.

JS

JD

24.

1800

Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Request Medevac; Call sign: Betty

Control: Frequency 42.85, sit down LZ, Classification;

urgent stretcher, with negative enemy activity,

negative gunship request. TOS 1820 hrs, ETA

20 minutes for medevac, #1.

JS

JD

25.

1815

Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Night locations; A Co-YU 304285.

B Co-YU 217366. C Co-FSB Betty. D Co-YU 257337. E Co-

FSB Betty. F Co Recon-YU 209291. Malaria; Green.

Automatic ambushes; A Co-06 automatic ambushes

conducted. B Co-negative automatic ambushes

conducted. C Co-negative automatic ambushes

conducted. D Co-negative automatic ambushes

conducted. E Co Recon-negative automatic ambushes

conducted. Manned Ambushes; A Co-01 conducted

during the day, and 01 conducted at night. B Co

conducted negative manned at night or day. C Co-conducted

negative manned ambushes at night or day. D Co

conducted negative manned ambushes at day, and

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Continuation from page 6: 01 conducted at night.

E Co Recon conducted negative manned ambushes.

Dega; A Co-negative. B Co-01. C Co-negative.

D Co-negative. D Co-01. E Co Recon-negative.

Snipers; Negative; (A,B,C,D,E,Recon). Day

Manned ambushes; A Co-Plt size ambush conducted

at YU 310285. B Co, D Co-negative conducted.

Night manned ambushes; A Co-Plt Size ambush

at YU 310285. B Co, D Co-negative conducted.

JS

JD

26.

1816

All Units/n NCS: Field (PDS): A Co-03 OFF.

18 NCO, 74 EM. B Co-05 OFF, 20 NCO, 60 EM. D Co-0

03 OFF, 24 NCO, 70 EM. E Co Recon-07 NCO, 20

EM. Commo; 01 OFF, 05 NCO, 11 EM. Path finders;

03 EM. Engineers; 01 OFF, 03 NCO, 07 EM. HHC

& E Co-07 OFF, 21 NCO, 50 EM. Base defense(C Co)-

03 OFF, 19 NCO, 84 EM. 105-04 OFF 13 NCO, 37 EM. 1450

03 OFF, 16 NCO, 67 EM.

JS

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27.

1830

En NCS/Eda NCS: Exposure Report for 20 Aug 70;

D Co first sortie at 1040 hrs, last sortie at

1605 hrs, started at 0925 hrs, ended at 1620 hrs,

number of sorties-08, remarks-log. Recon-

first sortie at 0935 hrs, last sortie at 135 hrs, started at 0920 hrs,

ended at 1150 hrs, ended at 1150 hrs, 1st sortie-05. Log. JS

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1924

Bn S-3/Bde S-3: Final plans for 21 Aug 70;

A Co(-) - conduct ground reconnaissance to the

northeast, then establish NDP in vicinity grid

YU 307286. A Co 3rd plt - will conduct a ground

reconnaissance to the southeast region and company

in vicinity grid YU 307286. B Co will conduct

a ground reconnaissance to the north, then

establish NDP in vicinity grid YU 220368.

C Co - will conduct base defense at FSB Betty.

D Co - will ground reconnaissance to the east

then establish NDP in vicinity grid YU 259337.

E Co(-) - base defense at FSB Betty. Recon will

conduct a ground reconnaissance to the south,

then establish NDP in vicinity grid YU 207288.

Snipers: 01 FSB Betty for FSB Betty secure by

base defense. 01 Binh Hoa for weapons repair, 01

R&R.

JS

JD

29.

1926

Bn S-3/Bde S-3: Tentative plans for 22 Aug 70;

A Co - conduct a ground reconnaissance to the

northwest to vicinity grid YU 303288. B Co will

conduct a ground reconnaissance to the northeast

to vicinity grid YU 221370. C Co will conduct

base defense at FSB Betty. D Co will conduct a ground

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29.	1926	Continuation from page 8: reconnaissance to the southeast to vicinity grid YU 261331. B Co (-)-base defense at FSB Betty. Recon will conduct a ground reconnaissance to the south to vicinity grid YU 225285.	JS	JD
30.	1950	Bde S-2/Bn S-2: Sensor reading 1907 hrs at YU 347428 - heavy.	JS	JD
31.	2023	Bde S-2/Bn S-2: Team 55 closing location is YU 182207 and Ranger team 73 will be inserted into center mass 2125 tomorrow whether permitting.	JS	JD
32.	2100	Bn S-3 Air/Bn S-3 Air: Aircraft request for 21 Aug 70: (1) 01 UH1H for CC aircraft request aircraft report to FSB Buttons at 0700 hrs. Contact Comme Rear on 38.65 and pick up sorties for FSB Betty and contact TOC RTD on 49.75 and request aircraft have extra "F" cord and protective mask. (2) 01 UH1H for leg aircraft and report same as CC aircraft however extra "Y" cord N/A. Request aircraft have external cargo hook and protective mask. Log for 21 Aug; A Co-08 sorties no set time.	JS	JD
33.	2100	Bn S-3 Air/Bde S-3 Air: Airstrikes request for 21 Aug 70: Target #1-LZ Construct at YU 247842, nearest friendly 1 kilometers to the southeast.		

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Continuation from page 9: #2-LZ Construct
at YU 197297, 01 kilometers to the southeast.
Ordnance; 750 daisy cutter.

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2124

Bn S-3/Bde S-3 Air: Request LOH for transportation
to Bu Dop and Lec Ninh area between 0800 hrs.
and 1200 hrs on 21 Aug 70. Will get LOH in
if possible at 0800 hrs. Will be on call until
noon and possibly the rest of day.

JS

JD

35.

2250

DAILY SUMMARY: Contacts; Negative. Cache;
Negative. Air Lifts; B Co at 1543 hrs
lifted from FSB Betty to YU 217365. C Co
lifted from YU 217365 to FSB Betty for Base
Defense. Significant Events; At 1815 hrs
a "fire in the hole" was conducted at FSB Betty.
105MM artillery dud rounds were emplaced to
be detonated along with the other explosives.
A piece of shrapnel from
the dud rounds injured 01 individual in the left
temple. Medevac was request and the individual
was evacuated to 15 Med. and further evacuated
to Long Binh. Individual received a possible
(SP4)
fractured skull. Sam Calhoun, 419 64 9944 (RHC).

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