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1.	0001		Bn NCS/JOURNAL OPENED.	JS	MD
2.	0435		Night Hawk(aircraft)/Bn NCS: TOS 0400 hrs, TBS 0435 hrs. Night Hawk worked box #4. He reported southern portion of box obscured by clouds, so he worked only the northern portion. He reconned by fire with about 1100 rds having negative results.	JS	DW
3.	0544		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: Negative Significant Events;	JS	MD
4.	0555		Bde S-3 Asst/Bn NCS: Log aircraft 589, CC aircraft 825. Weather-clear for flying, aircrafts should arrive on time.	JS	MD
5.	0600		All Units/Bn NCS: Hourly Sit Rep and Commo Checks(A,B,C,D,E,Recon). Negative at(0100,0200,0300,0400,0500,0600H).	JS	DW
6.	0745		All Units/Bn NCS: Up on the pill (A,B,C,D,E) Trips and claymores are in at FSB Betty at 0645 hrs.	JS	DW
7.	0830		Bde S-2 Asst/Bn NCS: Night Hawk; #2-1128,1528,1520, 1120. #3-1622,2222,2218,1618. #4-2830,3330,3318, 2818.	JS	DQ
8.	0923		Timber 25(aircraft)/Bn NCS: Like clearance to expend ammo of high aircraft in grids, YU 1119.	JS	KB
9.	1047		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Current locations; A Co-FSB Betty. B Co-YU 224370. E Co-YU 217260. D Co-YU 264338. E Co(-)-FSB Betty. Recon-YU 187277 log pad.	JS	DQ

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10.	1158		Bde S-2 Asst/Bn NCS: FY YU 754195, 1126 heavy morning.	JS	JD
11.	1455		Bde Chemical Off/Bn S-3: Request permission to make CS drop on grids YU 302330 to YU 312330. Clearance granted.	JS	JD
14.	1500		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Current locations; A Co-FSB Betty. B Co-YU 222370. C Co-YU 217260. D Co-YU 264338. E Co(-)-FSB Betty. Recon-YU 187277.	JS	JD
15.	1500		B Co/Bn NCS: YU 222370; found 02 hootches 10'x12' very old with negative recetn use. Also several rice baskets, very old with negative recetn use.	JS	DB
16.	1522		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Sniffer Request; Box east of northsouth grid 23 west of grid 30. Bo x #14-Box #21, Box #29 north of east west grid 18. VR Request Co B, Co C, E Co Recon.	JS	JD
17.	1535		5/7 Cav S-3/Bn S-3: We are trying to bounce 04 aircrafts over to 1/8 Cav in order to begin your lift, aircraft will be Yellow I and he should be contacting you in about 15 minutes.	JS	JD
17.	1610		Bde S-3 Air/Bn S-3 Air: Will not be able to get gas masks out until tomorrow.	JS	JD
18.	1708		B Co/Bn NCS: YU 227364; B Co spotted 02 gooks and they fled to the south. B Co is searching out area.		

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18.	1700		Continuation from page 2: B Co element while on recon; point man spotted 02 individuals at above grid YU 227364. The point man saw slick tracks then heard movement which was running quickly to the south, the rest of the element also witnessed movement but no one was able to get a description of the individuals. B Co point man and the rest of the element did not fire on the individuals because the movement was gone before they had a chance to see what it was.	JS	DB
19.	1710		B Co/Bn NCS: YU 227364; B Co found in an open field a garden plot with tapioca, peanuts, rice and bananas, also the remains of a fish trap just to the south a few meters. The garden plot was 300 to 1000 meters to 300' to 400' long, recent use last 24 to 72 hours. B Co does not know about the peanuts, but they bannasas have been picked, the corn crop is 1/2 harvested, and the rice crop should be ready for harvest in a couple of weeks.	JS	DB
20.	1710		B Co/Bn NCS: YU 227364; B Co reports 15 bunkers all around above grid within 100 meters radius, the bunkers are all 8'x10' with 2' walls. Negative recent use within the last 02 weeks.	JS	DB

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21.	1713		D Co/Bn NCS: FE/SEC from YU 264338 to FSB Snuffy; lift started at 1605 hrs, 1st PZ at 1605 hrs, 1st LZ at 1609 hrs, PZ Clear at 1648 hrs, number of sorties-19, color of PZ and LZ-Green/Green, lift completed at 1651 hrs.	JS	DB
22.	1726		B Co/Bn NCS: YU 227368-reports that they have found pieces of Vietnamese money north or south, they don't know which one though. They also found some Cambodian money, also several documents which will be back logged. Documents are wet and soggy and company does not want to separate them, (1/2" thick).	JS	DB
23.	1750		Bde Sig Off/Bn Sig Off/ Key List AKAK 8161Q. Days 27 and 28 have been compromised effective 28 August at 0001 hrs, dry 5E will replace day 28 Aug 70.	JS	JD
24.	1804		Bn NCS/Ede NCS: Mortar Report; 1-E 277/20, G-12. 2-E 02, G-01.	JS	JD
25.	1830		ALL Units/Bn NCS: Night Locations; A Co-FSB Betty. B Co-YU 227368. C Co-YU 217260. D Co-FSB Snuffy (OPCON). E Co-FSB Betty. E Co Recon-YU 186275. Malina (Green-A, B, C, D, E, Recon). Automatic ambushes; A Co-negative automatic ambushes conducted. B Co-02 automatic ambushes conducted. C Co-		

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1830

Continuation from page 4: 03 automatic ambushes

conducted. D Co-negative automatic ambushes

conducted. E Co Recon-negative automatic ambushes.

Manned Ambushes Conducted; Day or Night Ambushes;

A Co-negative day or night manned ambushes conducted.

B Co-02 night manned ambushes conducted, and

negative day manned ambushes conducted. CCo

03 manned ambushes conducted during the day,

and 03 manned ambushes conducted during the night.

D Co-negative amnned ambushes conducted during

the day or night. E Co Recon with negative

manned ambushes conducted. Dogs; ACo-negative

scout dog. B Co-01 scout dog. C Co-03 automatic

ambushes conducted. D Co-negative scout dogs.

Recon-01 scout dog. Snipers; S Co-negative.

B Co-negative. C Co-01 snipers. D Co-negative.

E Co-negative. Day manned ambushes; B Co-

sqd at YU 228367, plt at YU 225363. C Co-negative.

D Co-OPCON. Night Ambushes; B Co-negative.

C Co-sqd at YU 217261 sqd at YU 218260, sqd

at YU 216260.

JS

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1850

All Units/Bn NCS: Field Strength; PDS; B Co-04

OFF, 22 NCO, 57 EM. C Co-04 OFF, 13 NCO, 66 EM.

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Continuation from page 5: D Co-OPCON. E Co
 Recon-07 NCO, 19 EM. Commo-01 OFF, 05 NCO, 12
 EM. Path finders; 02 EM. Engineers; 04 NCO,
 07 EM. HHC, E Co-06 OFF, 20 NCO, 39 EM. Base
 defense-04 OFF, 22 NCO, 52 EM. 105-04 OFF, 16
 NCO, 39 EM. 155-04 OFF, 16 NCO, 65 EM.

JS

DB

27.

1935

Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Recon first sortie at 1115 hrs,
 last sortie at 1535 hrs, started at 1100 hrs,
 ended at 1550, number of sorties-06, remarks-
 log.

JS

JD

28.

2000

C Co/Bn NCS: YU 215258; found 01 northwest/southeast
 trail 1' wide the trails goes into 10 fighting
 positions 4'x4' 1' deep, these fighting positions
 were found on the south side of the trail. Same
 grid also found 7 pieces of old cut bamboo 2"
 to 3" in diameter. YU 214260; found 01 northeast/
 southwest trail 1' wide old with negative recent use.
 YU 215261; found 01 trail east-west 6" wide used
 by 01 to 02 individuals in the last 02 to 03 days.

JS

JD

29.

2000

Bn S-3 Air/Bde S-3: Air strikes request for
 27 Aug 70; Target #; 1-LZ Construct at YU 481384,
 5 kilometers to the southwest. 2-LZ Construct at
 YU 463354, 3 kilometers to the west. #3-LZ Construct

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Continuation from page 6: at YU 460431 10 kilo-
meters to the southwest. #4-LZ Construct at YU 451395,
4 kilometers to the southwest. Ordnance is
750 lb daisy cutters for all four targets.

JS

JD

31.

2001

Bde S-3 Air/Bn S-3 Air: Air strikes for 27 Aug
70; YU 463354, LZ construct at 1130 hrs. YU 460431,
LZ construct at 1430 hrs.

JS

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32.

20001

Bn S-3 Air/Bde S-3 Air: Aircraft Requests for
27 Aug 70: (1) 01 UH1H for CC aircraft report
to FSB Buttons at 0700 hrs, and contact "Reform
15M (Commo Rear) on 38.65. Pick up sortie for
FSB Betty. Contact "Reform 42"(TOC RTO on 54.10)
Request aircraft have extra "Y" cord, protective
masks for crew and jump seat. (2) Request 01
UH1H for log aircraft report to FSB Buttons
at 0700 hrs and contact "Reform 15M "(Commo Rear)" on 38.65
and pick up sortie for FSB Betty. Contact "Reform 42"
(TOC RTO) on 54.10. Request aircraft have external
cargo hook and protective masks for crew. Log
for 26 Aug 70; 8 Co about 08 sorties, no set items.

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2022

Bn S-3/Bde S-3: Final plans for 27 Aug 70;
A Co-conduct base defense at FSB Betty. B Co
will conduct ground reconnaissance around

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33.	2022		Continuation from page 7: large field in grid YU 2236, then establish NDP in vicinity grid YU 228367. C Co accept log, then conduct a ground reconnaissance to the southwest, then establish NDP in vicinity grid YU 212257. D Co RECON to 5/7 Cav. E Co (-) -conduct base defense at FSB Betty and FSB Buttons. E Co Recon will conduct a ground reconnaissance to the west, then establish NDP in vicinity grid YU 180276. Snipers; 03 Total-01 base defense at FSB Betty secured by base defense, 01 field secured by C Co, 01 R&A to return in 02 to 03 days.	JS	JD
34.	2022		B Co/Bn NCS: Reports hearing 04 to 05 kilometers northwest of YU 227368 what sounds like automatic weapons fire at a slow rate, similar to that of a suster. The firing goes for 30 seconds, then stops. At 2004 hrs; B Co reports seeing a bright flashlight 300 meters to their south. The flashlight went on then went out. At 2018 hrs 03 distinct flashlights are visible from B Co night location, heading got the garden plot. At 2020 hrs, B Co reported on a 110° azimuth 200 meters out from YU 227368 hearing a signal		

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34.	2022		Continuation from page 8: shot fired by small arms. At 2023 hrs, reports that the flashlights have gone off due to the artillery impacting in area. At 2025 hrs the flashlights are on and they are moving around in the garden plot. At 2041 hrs B Co CP spotted flashlights coming towards his location about 75 to 100 meters out.	JS	JD
35.	2024		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: Night Locations; 2/12 Cav; A Co-YU 657213. B Co-YU 620120. C Co-FSB Jean. D Co-YU 686140. E Co-FSB Jean, Recon-588175. 5/7 Cav; A Co-499331. B Co-492345. C Co-308436, plt from C Co-FSB Audie. D Co-432356. E Co(-)-FSB Snuffy, Recon-FSB Audie. D Co 1/8 Cav-FSB Snuffy. Ranger 51-YU 343423.	JS	JD
36.	2028		Bn S-3/Bde S-3: Tentative plans for 28 Aug 70; A Co-base defense at FSB Betty. B Co will conduct a ground reconnaissance to the northeast to vicinity YU 231372. C Co-conduct ground reconnaissance to the southwest and to the west to vicinity grid YU 207256. D Co-OPCON to 5/7 Cav. E Co(-)-will conduct base defense at FSB Betty and FSB But tons. E Co Recon platoon will conduct a ground reconnaissance to the west to vicinity grid YU 184279. JD		

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36.	2029		Bn S-3/Bde S-3: Request a night hawk to work with B Co, they have 03 flashlights in a field and heard a warning shot fired. ETA-on his way.	JS	JD
37.	2100		Night Hawk (aircraft-Habbit 43)/Bn NCS: To work with B Co, 1/8 Cav to cheke out Flashlights. BSA 2145 hrs to refuel. 2130 hrs night hawk received a couple of rounds of AK47 fire in he garden plto with negative hits, engaged and put out the AK47 fire. Night hawk spotted flash lights on the garden plot several times and engaged with mini-gun.	JS	DE
38.	2115		Bn S-2/Bde S-2: Request two ranger teams; priority #1-in center mass 2533. Priority #2-in center mass 1932.	JS	JD
39.	2147		Bn S-3/Bde S-3: Request a shadow and flare aircraft to assist night hawk in area around B Co. Bde S-2 to Bn S-3; night hawk and flare aircraft inbound to work with B Co, will need TIC to pull shadow from his present area of operation.	JS	JD
40.	2255		Night Hawk/Bn NCS: With flare aircraft to work with B Co, 1/8 Cav in area of garden plto; BSA 2307 hrs to rearm. Night hawk worked out the are a very thoroughly and reconned the area by fire very old.		

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