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	IN	OUT			
1.	0001		Bn NCS/All Units: JOURNAL OPENED.	JS	MD
2.	0600		All Units/Bn NCS: Hourly Situation Reports; (0100,0200,0300,0400,0500,0600H), Negative.	JS	DW
3.	0610		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: Negative Significant Events.	JS	MD
4.	0615		Bde S-2 Asst/Bn NCS: Log aircraft 266, CC air- craft 475. Aircraft should arrive on schedule.	JS	MD
5.	0620		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: 1/8 Cav requests 01 radar me- chanic; (1) A+B scopes are hard to adjust. (2) Radar does not scan at certain sectors. Request status of radar mechanic at 1434 hrs. Bde had negative knowledge will try to get one out ASAP. 1516 hrs aircraft 446 will be at FSB Betty in approximately 01 hr with radar people.	JS	MD
6.	0750		Bde S-2 Asst/Bn NCS: Sniffer boxes; #7,#13, #14,#15,#20,#21,#29. Night Hawk; 1. #2-1128, 1528,1520,1120. 2.#3-1622,2222,2218,1618. #4-2830, 3330,3318,2848. All Cleared.	JS	DQ
7.	0800		All Units/Bn NCS: Up on the pill (A,B,C,D,E, Recon). Trips and claymores are in at FSB Betty at 0630 hrs.	JS	DW
8.	0935		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Request a pink team for B Co, 1/8 Cav to work out with them in the general vicinity. TOS 1025 hrs. Tail #: Timber 25.	JS	DQ

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9.	1010		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Current locations; A Co-FSB Betty. B Co-YU 227368. C Co-YU 218261 log pad. D Co- OPCON 5/7 Cav at FSB Snuffy. E Co(-)-FSB Betty. E Co Recon-YU 181276.	JS	KB
10.	1215		B Co/Bn NCS: YU 227351; found 01 grave 03 weeks old 3' wide 6' deep 6' long. Individual in grave has a crack skull believe to be killed by artillery. Individual has black hair. Clothed were under the individual, 01 pack with canteen and canteen cup. The individual had a slick on and green fatigues. The individual was wrapped up in a mosquito net.	JS	KB
11.	1417		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Current locations; A Co-FSB Betty. B Co-YU 227368. C Co-YU 218261. D Co-YOPCON 5/7 Cav at FSB Snuffy. E Co(-)-FSB Betty. E Co Recon platoon YU 181275 moving northwest.	HS	KB
12.	1420		Bde S-2/Bn S-2: Sensor people presently at FSB Jean sending a LOH to marry up with them, then they will be coming to FSB Betty. LOH broke down, negative ETA. Sensor drop cancelled be- cause of lack of LOH, will make drops first thing in the morning. Negative Range Teams, first Team up is slated for center mass 3821.	JS	JD

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13.	1430		B Co/Bn NCS: YU 227366; has found a helicopter, tail number 15497 (type UH1H in place about 01 to 02 months old). Half of this aircraft is burned also found fresh foot prints of 02 to 03 individuals. Made in the last hour. Description of movement is to the south west. Also found M16 ammo laying around the area and 03 rucksack frames all burned. Aircraft was stripped and there were approximately 20 magazines M16 blown apart +200 rds of M60 blown apart both were pretty much DX-able.	JS	KB
14.	1535		Bn NCS/Bde S-2: VR & Sniffer; VR; priority #1- B Co. #2-C Co. #3-Recon. Sniffer; Same as yesterday.	JS	JD
15.	2857		Bn S-3 Air/Bde S-3 Air: Request LOH for 28 Aug 70 to pick up XO at 0800 hrs, and bring him to FSB Betty, then pick up S-3 and take him to Quan Duc Province for coordination.	JS	JD
16.	1514		Rash 25/Bn NCS: Air strike to be diverted to YU 481384; TOS 1513 hrs, ordnance (E-57) 750 lbs, TOT 1710 hrs, TJBs-1600 hrs, TBS-1725 hrs, BDA-08 shipper. 1st air strike completed at 1620 hrs. Rash went over to B Co, 1/8 Cav location at 1639 hrs.	JS	KB

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1516

Bn NCS/5/7 Cav NCS: Have 02 air strikes going at
YU 481384, request nearest friendlies and artillery
clearance. Clearance given nearest friendlies,
B Co-2 1/2 kilometers to the southeast, D Co-4
kilometers to the south.

JS

JD

18.

1520

Bde S-2/Bn NCS: UR early morning 300 meters radius.

JS

JD

19.

1540

Bn S-3 Air/Bde S-3 Apr: Request replacement for
CC/has commo problems.

JS

JD

20.

1710

Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Exposure report; E Co, 1/8 Cav
first sortie at 1315 hrs, last sortie at 1320
hrs, started at 1050 hrs, ended at 1330 hrs,
number of sorties-06, remarks-log.

JS

JD

21.

1855

Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Medevac request; Callsign:
"Stout Trawler 10 M" on 56.30, locations YU
227368, LZ-Maidt. Class; Urgent, equipment;
blood, oxygen, 02 rigid litter, gunship, con-
dition of patient-negative knowledge. Type of
casualties; litter, enemy situation; contact
from small arms and RPG. Requested at 1855 hrs,
ETA 1920 hrs, TOS 1915 hrs, TBS 2015 hrs.

JS

JD

22.

1915

Bn CO/Bde S-3: ^{ARA} bounced at 1835 hrs. Request
CC at 1904 hrs, Bn S-3 to Bde S-3/Request flare
aircraft-flare aircraft already up and section

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22.	1915		<p>Continuation from page 4: of ^{ARA}max coming up, max not in radiocontact. Bn S-3/Bde S-3: We have 01 Line 1 and 01 Line 2 hit in hand and wrist, still do not have ^{ARA}max on station. Bn S-3/Bde S-3: Would like flare aircraft ETA 20 minutes, ^{ARA}max has radio contact with red leg but is not on station. JS (JS</p>		
23.	1930		<p>Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Near the pool of blood was found 01 empty spaghetti C-Ration can. At 1850 hrs, B Co is again in contact, the contact started when they spotted 03 to 05 individuals 75 meters to their front. Individuals engaged and B Co returned fire with organics when the 02 U.S. friendlies got hit. B Co element platoon leader said he killed 01 NVA, he says that he saw him get hit and go down. The 02 U.S. friendlies were hit when moving from the right to the left flank. They were both in the initial burst of fire from the individuals. Individuals were carrying AK47 and RPG. The contact broke at 1855 hrs. B Co continued suppressive fire for awhile. Enemy returned fire did not start again after it broke</p>		

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23. 1930

Continuation from page 5: at 1855 hrs. The individuals initiated contact at 1850 hrs and shot.

04 to 05 magazines of AK ammo and shot 03 RPG

4s however they did not detonate. When the ^{1st} ~~3d~~ Platoon

element was pulling back to marry up with B Co

main element in night location posture. They

spotted off to the north some movement. B Co

engaged the movement but did not receive any enemy

return fire. The ^{1st} ~~3d~~ element then pulled back into

their night location, and B Co then called in

for medevac and other support. At 1930 hrs,

B Co reports 02 NVA KIA and they think they have killed more.

JS

DB

24. 1936

^{A Vg} Timber 25 (aircraft)/Bn NCS: 01 gun aircraft,

BSA 2017 hrs.

JS

DB

25. 2000

All Units/Bn NCS: ^{Sued} ~~Filed~~ Strength; PDS; B Co-04 OFF,

22 NCO, 57 EM. C Co-04 OFF, 12 NCO, 62 EM. E Co Recon-

07 NCO, 19 EM. Commo-06 NCO, 12 EM. Path finders

02 EM. Engineers-03 NCO, 05 EM. HHC & E Co-

05 OFF, 20 NCO, 42 EM. A Co base defense-04 OFF,

22 NCO, 50 EM. 105-04 OFF, 16 NCO, 39 EM. 155-

04 OFF, 16 NCO, 65 EM.

JS

DB

26. 2005

Shadow (aircraft)/Bn NCS: 20 work with B Co, TIC 2230 hrs. JS

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27.

2108

Bn S-3/Bde S-3: 1/8 Cav bounced ARA at approximately

1825 hrs, and he came on station at 1938 hrs

so long ^{became} mix-up in grid (YT instead of YU). Also

why no ARA in Song Be, believes if things would

have been normal ^{ARA} ~~max~~ would have been to contact

location before second contact started. Bde S-3/Bn S-3: There

were two sections of ^{ARA} ~~max~~ in FSB Buttons and both

were firing on ground to air location in AO,

red leg decided to bounce ^{One} ~~place~~ out of Phuoc Vinh;will get a reason for ~~this~~, the mix up in gridsfor ^{ARA} ~~max was done~~. Bn S-3/Bde S-3: We are stillworking O1 section of ^{ARA} ~~max~~ and shadow and would like

night hawk and would like night.

JS

MD

28.

2151

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

Betty. B Co-YU 227368. C Co-YU 215259. D Co-OPCON

5/7 Cav. E Co-FSB Betty. E Co Recon-YU 179280.

Malaria; Green(A,B,C,D,E,Recon). A/A-A Co conducted

negative automatic ambushes. B C 6-conducted

O3 automatic ambushes. CCo-conducted O3 automatic

ambushes. D Co-conducted negative. E Co-conducted

negative. Recon-conducted negative automatic ambushes.

Manned Ambushes; for B Co-sqd at YU 227362 at day.

YU 228366 at night. C Co-conducted negative. Recon-negative. JS

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Bn S-3 Air/Bde S-3 Air: Aircraft request for
28 Aug 70; (1) 01 UH1H for CC aircraft report
to FSB Buttons NLT 0700 hrs. and contact Reform
15M(Commo Rear) on 38.65. Pick up sortie for
FSB Betty and contact Reform 42(TOC RTO) on 54.10.
Request extra "Y" cord, protective masks and
jump seat. (2) 01 UH1H for log aircraft and report
to FSB Buttons NLT 0700 hrs. contact Reform 15M
(commo Rear) on 38.65. Pick up sortie for FSB Betty.
Request protective masks for complete crew,
external cargo hook. (3) Log for 28 Aug 70;
B Co-08 sorties no set time. (4) Also request
LOH aircraft report to FSB NLT 0700 hrs. Pick
up sortie for FSB Betty and contact 42 on 54.10.

JSJD30.2200

Bde S-3/Bn S-3: Today at YU 318507 off to the
northwest of 11 Bravo line, a hook was making
a CS drop and ground to air from what is thought to be
a 37MM. Pink team went out and found area of
ground to air. Artillery was employed from
FSB Snuffy and two set of TAC Air, then two sets
of MAX went in and trying to get an arc light
in tomorrow. Believe we have the 37mm at last
clear view. Bde S-2 saw some of whelled

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30.	2220		Continuation from page 8: carriage in area but could not make out any type of barrel, if arc light goes in tomorrow, we will need 01 platoon of yours for a QRF/RRF to be standing by at FSB Snuffy. Blues aircraft to move your platoon to FSB Snuffy. As it is now, 155mm can cover about 1/3 of area. We are trying to get 1500 meters more range. We have cut an area for your QRF going from YU 243440 to YU 390530 went to the Cambodian border. If all goes right, schedule should be Arc Lite 0800 hrs, blues insertion 0830 hrs. Platoon existed inserted at FSB Snuffy 0900 hrs to 0915 hrs. 1/8 Cav request a troop commander come to FSB Betty and coordinate with us.	JS	JD
31.	2220		Bde S-3/Bn S-3 : Mix-up tonight was made some where between artillery bn and pilot, pilot realized there was a mistake when he got to YT grid and come back. Two sections of ARA at FWR Buttons were sent to ground to air location without 1/8 Cav S-3 knowledge.	JS	ED
32.	2230		Bn S-3/Bde S-3: Final plans for 28 Aug 70; A Co will conduct base defense at FSB Betty. B Co will accept log and conduct ground reconnaissance		

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Continuation from page 9: in their area of con-
tact, then establish NDP in vicinity grid YU 231369.C Co will conduct a ground reconnaissance to the
southwest, then establish NDP in vicinity grid YU 216259.

D Co-OPCON 5/7 Cav base defense at FSB Snuffy.

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

platoon will conduct a ground reconnaissance to the

the west, then establish NDP in vicinity grid

YU 173281.

JS

JD

33.

2230

Bn S-3/Bde S-3: Tentative plans for 29 Aug 70;

A Co-will conduct base defense at FSB Betty.

B Co will conduct a ground reconnaissance to the

northeast to vicinity grid YU 231371. C Co will

conduct a ground reconnaissance to the southwest and

to the west to vicinity grid YU 210258. D Co

will be OPCON to 5/7 Cav and conduct base de-

fense at FSB Snuffy. E Co(-)-conduct base defense

at FSB Betty. E Co Recon platoon will conduct

a ground reconnaissance to the west to vicinity grid

YU 168279.

JS

MD

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2314

Bde S-3/Bn S-3: Have another shadow aircraft

coming up and would like to know if you would

like him in our area. Negative on shadow because

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34.	2314		Continuation from page 10: area they need fire has a section of the company in it and the weather is closing in pretty fast.	US	JD
35.	2330		B Co/Bn NCS: YU 227368: B Co contact started at 1825 hrs, contact broke immediately, a squad size element from B Co was setting out an automatic ambush when they spotted 01 individual. B Co engaged and received negative return fire. The individual was wearing a pack. B Co could not tell if he was carrying a weapon. The individual was moving from the northwest going to the southeast and was heading for B Co squad size ambush at grid YU 228366. B Co employed artillery. B Co individual said he hit the individual 8 times. Squad element then pulled back to B Co night location. At 1845 hrs B Co sent a platoon into contact area to check out the area and reported partial readout the sweep revealed 01 heavy blood pool. B Co claims 01 NVA KIA killed by their point man.	JS	JD
36.	2359		DAILY SUMMARY: Cache; negative. Air Lifts; Negative airlifts. Contacts; At YU 227368 BCCo, 1/8 Cav initiated contact.		

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Continuation from page 11: DAILY SUMMARY:
05 individuals. Results: 01 U.S. Line 1, and
01 U.S. Line 2, and B Co claimed 01 NVA KIA.

Significant Events; Negative Significant Events.

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