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1.	0000		JOURNAL OPENED	JS	MD
2.	0005		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: 1/8 Cav is now operating on 54.90		
			This is the new CMD frequency	JS	DW
3.	0450		Bde S-3 Asst/Bn NCS: Log Birz # 368 ETA Song Be (FSB buttons)		
			0645H, CC/Log acft #482 ETA Song Be 0700		
			Weather: foggy	JS	MD
4.	0600		All Units/Bn NCS: Hourly Sitrep: (0100,0200, 0300,0400,0500,0600H) Negative (A,B,C,D,E,Rcn)	JS	MA
5.	0615		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: Negative Significant events in the Bde AO during the night	JS	MD
6.	0635		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: A Co 1/8 Cav is operating on a new frequency of 44.95 as of 0630H	JS	MA
7.	0715		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: C 1/8 Cav is operating on a new frequency (as of 0715H) of 65.10.	JS	MA
8.	0730		All Units/Bn NCS: Up on the pill: (A,B,C,D,E, Rcn) Trips and claymores in at Betty at 0715	JS	MA
9.	0753		Bde S-2/Bn NCS: Sniffer Boxes: #7 from NS grid 24 east, #14 from NS grid 24 east, #15, #28 Night Hawk: #1-1128-1628-1620-1120, #2-2026-2626-2620-2020, #3-2930-3330-3224-2924.		
			Boxes 1 & 2 Clear. #3 not clear Initials: WDB	JS	JD
10.	0755		Bn NCS/Bde S-2: Request ranger team to center mass YU 195245.	JS	JD

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11.	0910		Bde S-2/Bn S-2: From the Bde CO: When sending in reports units must substantiate information. (e.i.; sent in last night, B 1/8 heard OI warning shot. Should Be: B 1/8 heard OI S/A round.) also if possible would like positive identification of rounds 1 such as, found expended AK-47 rds or found a 51 caliber pit	JS	JD
12.	0937		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Request a scout dog team for D 1/8. Request that they report to the 1/8 log pad NLT 0700. Also request that they be prepared to remain in the field for a period of 4 days.	JS	JD
13.	1000		All Units/Bn NCS: Current Locations; A Co- YU227365, B Co-YU233326, C Co Base Defense FSB Betty, D Co- YU228357, E Co(-)-FSB Betty Buttons, Thomas, Rcn-FSB Betty.	JS	OR
14.	1045		Bde S-3Air/Bn S-3 Air: May not be able to get mini-cav back in tonight because of weather and O4 company size moves scheduled for today	JS	JD
15.	1120		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: Sensor Readings: YU 348427 at 1111H heavy activation, YU371592 at 1114H heavy activation, XU641373 400m radius early morning.	JS	JD
15	1145		Bde S-2/Bn NCS; Sensor Reading: XU763199-		

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15.	1145		Continuation from page 2: 500m radius late morning. XU867271 400m radius late morning			JS	JD
16.	1217		B Co/Bn NCS: Reports dog alerting to the north and they also have movement. Kit Carson Scout says it may be pigs from looking at area. found pig feces. Request pink team/B Co sent out recon to investigate movement to north, movement was definitely pigs. While on recon across they came across an old bunker complex at YU232328 it was made up of 20 bunkers 3X8 with OHC which was caved in. Bunkers all had grenade sumps in them. Also had a trench around the bunkers 4' deep and 18" wide. Had NW-SE trail 1 1/2' wide which had recent movement in it in the last 2 days. They found 01 set of footprints on trail heading NE.			JS	JB
17.	1220		A Co /Bn NCS: Found 01 downed medivac helicopter with jungle penetrator, tail number 15497, has 01 trail 12" wide going around aircraft and then due South. Trail is hard packed but has negative recent use. Also reports hearing chopping noises 300 to 400 meters to the south can not use artillery due to D Co 1/8 location			JS	JD

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18.	1307		Bde S-3/Bn S-3: Bde would like to know if mini cav will still go on or if birds for insertion have been released/Mini-Cav still scheduled to go in. birds have not yet arrived/Bde said birds for insertion are inbound to FSB Betty.	JS	RL
19.	1331		Bde S-3/Bn NCS: Find out if Red 1 is going to make the run of if he going to put it on a weather hold	JD	RL
20.	1335		Bde S-3/Bn S-3: Mini-Cav being bounced from Song Be will be here in 10 minutes. Weather check has been made. Run will be as scheduled. No hold up is being made on on any other unit. Weather has held up the run.	JS	RL
21.	1351		Bde S-3 Air/Bn S-3 Air: Arc Light box L-360 scheduled YU390623, YU400623, YU400603, YU390603 <del>xxxxxx</del> at 1935H 6 Sep 70	JS	RT
22.	1430		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: C/2 SEC/CA from FSB Betty to YU287307 First PZ 1423, 1st LZ-1429, PZ Clear 1423, Last LZ-1429 PZ/LZ Color: green/green lift complete; 1429H 6 sorties	JS	OR
23.	1439		B Co/Bn NCS: reported finding at YU230329 a trail 1 1/2' wide and another trail intersecting running on a 300AZ also 1 1/2' wide. Both have		

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Continuation from page 4: negative recent use  
in the last week B Co reported after moving  
NE along trail found signs that 02 individuals  
had used the trail sometime this morning heading  
NE

JS

JD

24.

1440

ATT Units/Bn NCS: Current Locations: A Co-  
YU227365 Moving S #YU228365, B Co- YU231329  
C Co-(-)-FSB Betty C/2-YU287307, D CO-YU228357  
E Co-(-)-FSB Betty, Buttons, Thomas Ren-FSB Betty7

JS

OR

25.

1520

Timber 24 (1/9Cav Atrp)/Bn NCS: YU231329  
Hunter-Killer team on station at 1520 to work  
with B Co checking area around YU231329, Due  
to weather unable to assist B Co. Found the  
following at YU318329 03 hooches 15X25 in good  
condition, Timber engaged and destroyed., 02.  
02 hooch 10X15 good condition engaged-destroyed  
01, 03 5X8 hooches engaged and destroyed 01,  
01 5X8 bunker area shows signs of light recent  
use the last 3-4 days. YU309285 bunker complex  
12 bunkers 5X8 and 3X5 light use in area in last  
24-48 hours, also found scraps of paper all  
around area. YU309287 03 bunker 5X8 with OHC  
recent use last 24 hours, 02 3X5 bunkers

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25.	1520		Continuation from page 5: 01-30 caliber pit with negative recent use. N*3 trail 1½' wide showing recent use last 48-72 hours, A bridge 8' wide 40' long whole area shows use by about 10 individuals in last 48-72 hours.	JS	OR
26.	1525		Bde S-3/Bn S-3 Air: Airstrike on propose FSB Casey. #18/s tot(time on target) 1500 #2- tot 1530 hrs	JS	LP
27.	1550		Bde S-3/Bn S-3: MACV Provience Chief request clearance for box grid #1826 to suthern most boundary. Grid 2926 to southern mosy boundary to run mission from 060600H to 081800H Sep 70 Ceneter mass grid 220225 they have knowledge that there is a squad of VC with small arms weapons. Hickman Brace 19M of 60.15 will be adviser going in with element. Reform 10 (Bn CO) approved mission and asked that we kept informed on mission.	JS	LP
28.	1700		Bn S-3 Asst/Bde S-3: "equest two scout dog teams for 6 Sep 70: One team for my Recon platoon and 04 for my B Co. Request teams report to 1/8 log pad NLT 0700. Also request that they be prepared to remain in the field		

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28.

1700

Continuation from page 6: for a period of 4 days

/ The scout dog which we recieved today will be

kept on the fire base to support Mini-Cav

operations.

JS

DM

29.

1743

B Co/Bn NCS: reports the following findsat

bunker complex at YU229331 it consisted of the

20 bunkers 6X10 with 2' OHC. The bunkers were

old but some had been re-built recently. Also

U.S.

01 section of 67 type aiming stake. 03 cast

iron stoves with ashes underneath. Approximately

07 5gal drums with tops cut off used as wash tubs.

Assorted old and new bicycle parts all usable

02 E-W trails 3' wide with use in the last

day negative direction of travel. 02 N-S trail

4' wide cross the E-W trail showing use thw

last day with negative direction of travel. B

Co feels that there were 15 individuals in complex

yesterday possibly working on bunkers and

rebuilding area. B Co also believes that there

were 02 individuals in bunkers when they

approached the area. Indiv evaded directions

unk. B Co also found hollow bamboo stakes stuck

in the ground which might be air vents for a

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Continuation from page 7: tunnel underneath  
B Co also found a board  $1\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$  and on one side  
it had little squares marked off on it. Usage  
unknown.

JS

OR

30.

1825

Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Mortar Sitrep: Line 1-E-220/75  
Line 1-G-45, Line 2-E-03, Line 2-G-02

JS

LP

31.

1830

C/2 / Bn NCS: C Co 2platoon reports EW trail  
2' wide with negative recent use. Along this  
trail were security bunkers spaced 30 to 40  
meters apart. These bunkers were 6X3X3 and  
the  $1\frac{1}{2}$ ' OHC had fallen in.

JS

DW

32.

1845

Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Night Location: A Co-YU228365  
B Co-YU231329, C Co(-) FSB Betty, C/2-YU  
286307, D Co-YU227353, E Co(-)-FSB Betty,  
Buhtans, Thomas, Rcn- FSB Betty Malaria:  
Green (A,C,B,D,E,Rcn) Auto Ambushes\* A Co-03  
B Co-03, C Co-05, D Co-03, E(-) Co-Negative,  
Rcn-negative C/2-02. Day Manned Ambushes:  
Negative all units. Night Manned Ambushes:  
A- negative, B- squad YU233328 100 m, squad  
YU342438 100 m C-neg, D-neg, E-neg Rcn-neg.  
DOGS: A-0, B-01, C-0, D-01, E(-)-0, Rcn-0 C/2-  
01, SNIPERS: 03 FSB Betty C Co all units neg.

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35.	1940		Continuation from page 9: (commo rear) on 38.65. Pick up sortie for FSB Betty. Contact Reform 42 (TOG RTO) on 54.90. Request acft have external cargo hook and protective mask for crew. Log for 6 Sep B Co & D Co-16 sortie no set time.	JS	RH
36.	1950		Bn S-3 Air/Bde S-3 Air: Air Moves for 6 Sep: 060800 Recon UH1H 6+2, 4+2, 5, 22, Msn Control Reform 10 (Bn CO) on 60.75. PZ Con & Loc: Betty Reform 40 (S-3 Air) on 60.75. LZ Loc & Contact: YU302284 Trick 37 on 60.75. 060900 C/2 UH1H 6+2, 6, 5, 30 Reform 10 on 60.75 is Msn Control. PZ Loc & Contact: YU287307 Lakes 83 on 60.75. LZ Loc & contact: Betty Reform 40 on 60.75	JS	RH
37.	1952		Bn S-3 Air/Bde S-3 Air: Airstrike for 7 Sep: LZ Construct YU286282 nearest friendlies 2KM to E. #23 LZ Construct at YU 294294 1 Km SE 750lbaisy Cutter Ordinance All	JS	RH
38.	1955		Bn S-3/Bde S-3: Tentative Plans for 7 Sep 70 A Co- Conduct GR (Ground reconnaissance) SE to vicinity YU221359. B Co- conduct GR to NW vicinity YU235332. C Co-Base Defense-FSB Betty		

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38.	1955		Continuation from page 10: D Co-Conduct GR to west YU221358, E Co(-) Base Defense FSB Betty, Buttons, Thomas, Rcn- Conduct GR to the SW to vicinity YU313285.	JS	LP
39.	2050		Bn S-3/Bde S-3: Final Plans for 6 Sep 70: A Co- conduct GR to South NDP in vicinity YU 226361. B Co-Conduct GR of base camp area accept log NDP in vicinity YU231 331. C Co(-) Base Defense FSB Betty, C/2 FX/SEC from YU 287307 to FSB Betty at 0900hrs. Return control of C Co. D Co- GR to SW accept log, NDP in vicinity YU223353. E Co(-)-Base Defense FSB Betty, Buttons, Thomas, Rcn-Sec/CA to YU300286 from FSB Betty. Conduct GR to the East NDP in vicinity YU 310285	JS	LP
40.	2100		Bn S-3/Bde S-3: Request the blues be inserted at grid YU318313 for recon of area on 6 Sep 70 /Blues cannot be inserted tomorrow because of prior mission.	JS	LP
41.	2335		Bde S-2/Bn NCS: Sensor Report: YU223365 at 2330H activation heavy.	JS	LP
42.	2359		DAILY SUMMARY: Contact Neg, Air moves: C/2 lifted from FSB Betty to vicinity YU287307		

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