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1.	0001		JOURNAL OPENED		JS	MD
2.	0005		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: 1/8 Cav is now operating on 5.90 This is the new CMD frequency		JS	DW
3.	0450		Bde S-3 Asst/Bn NCS: Log Bigr # 368 ETA Song B 0645H, CC/Log acft #482 ETA Song B 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 masses 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.g.; sent in last night, B 1/8 heard 01 warning shot. Should Bde B 1/8 heard 01 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 MLT 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, Ren-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 04 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		0001	5 SEP 70	2400	5 SEP 70		
		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	JD
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 see						
		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, (Flight Leader)	JS	RL
19. 1331			Bde S-3/Bn NCS: Find out if Red 1 is going to make the run or 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 xxxxxxxxxx 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 NE-SW trail 1 1/2' wide and another trail intersecting running on a 300AZ also 1 1/2' wide. Both have		

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23.	1439	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	A/M 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 Betty			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 10155 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: request two scout dog teams for 6 Sep 70: One team for my Recon platoon and O/ for my B Gb. 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 received 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 GF 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 2' 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 directionn unk. B Co also found hollow bamboo stakes stuck in the ground which might be air vents for		

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29.	1743	Continuation from page 7: tunnel underneath B Co also found a board 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ X1 $\frac{1}{2}$ 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 N CS: Night Location: A Co-YU228365 B Co-YU231329, C CO-(-) FSB Betty, C/2-YU 286307, D Co-YU227353, E Co(-)-FSB Betty, Buttans, 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.		JS	LP

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33.	1910		Timber 24 (1/9 Cav A Trp)/Bn NCS: Timber 24 Hunter-Killer team work Bde VR Box 6 with negative findings. also worked in area B Co found bunkers. Exceeded O2 Cobras and low bird worked area over with negative findings in vicinity YU 229331		JS	DW
34.	1920		Bn NCS/Bn Rear: Field Strength PDS: A-0 Off 14 NCO, 51 EM, B-5 Off, 19NCO, 49EM, C/2-1 Off 4 NCO, 24EM, D-5 Off, 26NCO, 60EM, Rcn-0 Off, 5NCO 16EM, FSB Betty PDS: Commo 0 Off, 5 NCO, 14EM Pathfinders-0 Off, 0 NCO, 3EM, Engineers-1 Off 1 NCO, 3EM, HHC & E Co-5 Off, 10 NCO, 27EM, C Co Base Defense- 3 Off, 10NCO, 50EM, 105-4 Off, 12NCO, 41EM, 155-4 Off, 16NCO, 63EM, Total: 19 Off, 63NCO, 234EM		JS	DW
35.	1940		Bn S-3Air/Bde S-3 Air: Aircraft Request for Sep: 1 UH1H for cc.log acft. Report to FSB Buttons NLT 0700. Contact Reform 15M on 38.65. (Commo Rear). Pick up scatcie for FSB Betty. Contact Reform 42 (TOC RTO) on 54.90. Request acft have extra Y cord, jump seat, and protective masks for crew. 1 UH1H for log acft. Report 1/8 log pad NET 100. Contact Reform 15M			

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35.	1940		Continuation from page 9: (commo rear) on 38.65. Pick up sortie for FSB-Betty. Contact Reform 42 (TOC 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-3Air: Air Moves for 6 Sep: 060800 Recon UH1H 6+2, 4+2, 5, 22, Man Control Reform 10 (Bn CO) on 60.75. PZ Con & Loc: Betty Reform 40 (S-3Air) 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 Man 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-3Air: Airstrike for 7 Sep: LZ Construct YU286282 nearest friendlies 2KM to E. #23 LZ Construct at YU 294294 1 Km SE 750lb "aisy Cutter Ordnance 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.				
42.	2359		DAILY SUMMARY: Contact Neg, Air moves: C/2 lifted from FSB Betty to vicinity YU287307				

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