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	IN	OUT		
1.	0001	Bn NCS/JOURNAL OPENS	JS	DQ
2.	0600	Bde S3/Bn NCS: Log aircraft #665 ETA 0745 hrs. CC aircraft coming out of AVN, will be late.	JS	CC
3.	0615	Bde NCS/Bn NCS: Negative significant events in the last 12 hrs. in Bde AO.	JS	DC
4.	0655	E Ren/Bn NCS: E Ren request a mortar tube to be put in during B Co log for possible support. Also request a scout dog on next log and request a Pink Team for today.	JS	DC
5.	0755	Pink Team 36/Bn NCS: Pink Team 36 on station to work with E Ren. TOS-0755 hrs. At 0805 hrs. broke for POL. At 0820 hrs. back on station with E Ren.	JS	DC
6.	0800	Bn S3/Bde S3: Tentative Plans for 3 NOV. A Co will be at VIP Center Bien Hoa. B(-) will conduct a recon to YT 658980. B-3 will conduct a recon to YT 655986. C Co opcon 2/12. D Co and E Co base defense at FSB Dragon's Head. E Ren will conduct a recon to YT 675985. 166th RF will SEC/CA to YT 706973 and then conduct a recon to YT 712976.	JS	MD
7.	0903	Pink Team 36/Bn NCS: At 671981 saw 3 one man trails EW with light recent use in the last 24 hrs. At 665984 saw 1 ft. trail hardpacked, NS with negative recent use.	JS	LP
8.	0915	Pink Team 29/Bn NCS: CLEARED to work south of 92 EW grid.	JS	LP

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9.	0915		Bn S2/Bde S2: 1. Request historical background and UR for area 40-80 WNE, 80-20 S-W for the month of October. 2. Also for October, all IR's, Sniffers and SLAR missions. 3. All hard target data 10 kilometers from our eastern most boundary. 4. From Bao Loch, any available agent reports in a 10 kilometer zone to our East. 5. Request any available IR, and SLAR missions along the Dong Nai River to the west extending out of 1/3 AO. 6. 10x10 grid boxes of target area of sighting of 4 individuals.		JS	MD
10.	0945		Bde S2 A/Bn NCS S2: Bde requests tactical, intelligence type information on why elements are CA'd into certain grids. This will be SOP for all CA's.		JS	MD
11.	1000		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: LOCATIONS. A Co Bien Hoa. B Co YT 654977. C Co epsilon 2/12. D Co and E Co FSB Dragon's Head. E Rcn YT 667984.		JS	MD
12.	1015		E Rcn/Bn NCS: E Rcn reports at YT 667984 they found 1 NESW trail 1 ft. wide with light recent use in the past 2 days. Negative direction and hard packed. At YT 666985 saw 1 EW 1 ft. wide trail with light recent use in the last 4 days. Negative direction, hard packed.		JS	LP
13.	1050		BDE NCS/Bn NCS: Weather Warning. Wind will reach 20-30 knots at 1600 hrs. in NE and E of AO, 6000 ft. surface.		JS	MD

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Ranger 75/Bn NCS: GG 22282 monitoring general
area NG 500meters Grack #2 SBT.

JS LP

15. 1230

Bn NCS/Bdn NCS: VR request for B Co, E Ren. Sniffer
request for North of Dong NAI East of Ranger Team 75.
SLAR run along Dong Nai River thru 1/8 AO and along
the River west of 1/8 AO.

JS MD

16. 1325

E Ren/Bn NCS: At YT 665983 E Ren found an open field
75x250 meters not planted. On East side of the the
field found 1 6x10 ft. lean to and inside it they found
3 bundles of bamboo sticks freshly cut in the last 7 days.
Estimated 800-900 sticks. Also 2 1ft. trails EW with
light recent use. 1 bamboo fish trap. 1 dead pig possibly
killed by Arty.

JS LP

17. 1400

All Units/Bn NCS: LOCATIONS. A Co at Bien Hoa. B Co
at YT 654977. C Co open 2/12. D Co and E Co at FEB
Dragon's Head. E Ren at YT 667983.

JS DQ

18. 1420

Ranger 75/Bn NCS: Gracker 3 in 1 minute.

JS LP

19. 1425

Pink Team 39/Bn NCS: At YT 772861 had 1 KBN wearing
black pajamas in garden plot. Killed by organics. Also
at YT 660865 saw 1/2 acre to 1 acre garden plots worked in
the last 12 hrs. At YT 660861 saw cut grass, clearing
field radioc dug up in last 12 hrs. At YT 772861 saw a
garden plot and the individual mentioned above had a grey

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CONTINUED FROM PAGE 3: beanie hat and bundles of clothes were lying near him. Thick bamboo in area and moved north PT gone in 20 minutes, body and pack missing and had been drug to a burning place. Also 15x20 ft. hootch and 5x8 ft. bunker, destroyed by organics. At YT 772862 saw 1 NESW trail 1 ft. wide with moderate use in the last 24 hrs. At YT 793862 saw 3 good size fields of highland rice. 1 has been harvested and the other is ready. Also 1 NESW trail 1 ft. wide with light use in the last 72 hrs. At YT 793862 saw a 4x8 ft. pile of cut bamboo and a pile of corn husks about 2 weeks old.

JS

LP

20.

1435

Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Request a priority medivac for FSB Dragon's Head to pick up 1 individual with a severe nose bleed. Nose has been bleeding for several hours with out stopping. Negative special equipment. Frequency 53.30 tail #9. ETA-20 minutes.

JS

DQ

21.

E Ren/Bn NCS: E Ren found at YT 77 667983 1 observation hootch 4x4x4 ft. built with limbs and leaves. About 6 weeks old, used by 1 individual about 6 weeks ago. Also spotted 3 pigs roaming around very fat, and well fed.

JS

LP

22.

B617

Bde S2 A/Bn NCS: UR XT 792938. Rad 3000 late morning.

JS

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23.

1640

Ranger 75/Bn NCS: At night location 22258 are monitoring area, proximity MC 350 meters. Cracker 1 south dakota.

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E Ren/Bn NCS: E Ren has 3 pigs roaming around and also spotted a reester strolling by and thinks an enclosure was blown open by Arty last night.

JS MA

25.

1755

Bde S3A/Bn S3: The CG of 2nd Field Force will visit FSB Dragon's Head on 4 Nov at 0930 hrs. The following is the briefing sequence which is the format prepared when preparing the briefing for the CG: 1. During forthcoming months, the CG of 2nd Field Force will be making periodic visits to Bde and Bn's. He would like the following prepared to be discussed with Bn commanders:

A. Enemy Situation-covers recent enemy activities to include enemy movements, incidents and supply actions. 1. Type and number of enemy initiated contacts. 2. Give appreciation of what enemy is trying to do. 3. Cover intelligence sources being exploited. 4. Note enemy supplies uncovered. B. US Activities-1. State what unit is trying to do and accomplish and to what degree of success. 2. Give number and type of friendly initiated contacts. 3. Evaluate results of friendly and enemy initiated contacts. 4. Discuss actions taken to improve OPSEC. C. Allied Activities: 1. Outline activities and discuss operations of ARVN, RF, PF and FMAF within the area. 2. To what degree coordinated activity

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25. 1755 CONTINUED FROM PAGE 5: has been achieved? All briefings for visitors will be conducted along these lines and all members of staff, subordinate unit commanders will be of above briefing sequence. JS DQ

26. 1820 Pink Team 29/Bn NCS: Pink Team 29 TOS-1810 hrs. to work below 92 grid line. TBS-1905 hrs. JS DQ

27. 1830 All Units/Bn NCS: LOCATIONS. A Co Bien Hoa. B Co YT 654976. C Co opeon 2/12. D Co and E Co FSB Dragon's Head B Ren YT 667983. All units have green on malaria. B Co has 3 AA. E Ren has 1 AA. B Co has 1 night ambush manned. B Co has 1 dog and 2 snipers. All other units have negative night manned ambushes, dogs, snipers, and sensors. JS DQ

28. 1840 All Units/Bn NCS: A Co Bien Hoa. B Co 4 off, 16 neo, 49 em, 16 att TOT-85. C Co opeon 2/12. D Co 4 off, 24 neo, 63 em, 12 att, TOT-103. E Ren 1 off, 5 neo, 17 em 2 att, TOT-25. FSB-TOG 3 off, 5 neo, 2 em. 105's 4 off, 7 neo, 53 em. Eng 1 off, 2 neo, 3 em. Mess Hall 1 neo, 10 em. Medics 1 off, 3 neo, 4 em. Mortars 2 off, 10 neo, 21 em. I Troop 10 off, 4 neo, 12 em. Radar 1 neo, 8 em. Black hats 2 em. Commo 1 off 2 neo 14 em. SA 1 off, 3 neo, 8 em. TOT-off 23, 40 neo, 141 em. TOT-204. JS DQ

29. 1845 Bde 32/Bn S2: Ranger 75 closing location is YT 605042. JS CC

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Bde S3/Bn S3: Final Plans for 3 Nov. A Co will remain at VIP Center. B(-) will conduct a recon to YT 648975. B-3 will conduct a recon to YT 648980. C Co opcon 2/12. D Co and E Co will remain base defense. E recon will conduct a recon to YT 660983. Air request. 1 CC from 227 to report to Song Be 0730 hrs. FM 46.55. To come to FSB Dragon's Head. It should have left jump seat, gas mask, and report to FSB on FM 53.60. At 0800 hrs. Leg aircraft same as above. Air Move requested 6:2 for 166 RF Co. 80 packs. PZ*FSB Dragon's Head. LZ-YT 721998. Time of move is 1430 hrs.

JS DQ

31.

1920

E Ren/Bn NCS: E Ren has heard two single shots from n-16, 1 to the south east, 1 to the south. The shots were 400-600 meters away, can not employ Arty because another unit is to close.

JS DQ

32.

2038

Bn S2/Bde S5: Request in future, when psyops missions are run in 1/8 AO, request Bde notify 1/8 in advance where psyops missions will be used. Would like leaflet drop in 1/8 AO and centered on Montagenard(807) and 20% VN would like leaflets to encourage rallying to FSB Dragon's Head.

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Bn S2/Bde S2: Request shots of FSB Dragon's Head surrounding AO, taken 6-10 Nov, vertical and oblique from 1-3000ft. CC

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Bde S3/Bn S3: Request 166 RF to be at towers next to
air strip in one group.

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DAILY SUMMARY: Negative contact, negative cache,
negative air lifts. Significant events: At 1425 hrs,
at YT 772861 had 1 KBH wearing black pajamas in garden
plot. At 1435 hrs. A medivac was requested for indiv-
ual with severe nose bleed. ETA-20 minutes.

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