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	IN	OUT			
1.	0001		Bn NCS/Journal Opens.	JS	JB
2.	0035		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: MACV call sign "Lusty Chenort" FM 44.75 in Bao Loc. If these aren't the people we want they shuld know who to contact. Bde NCS.	JS	JB
3.	0545		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: Log aircraft 390 ETA-0700 hrs.	JS	JB
4.	0600		All Units/Bn NCS: 3/A, B Co, C Co, D Co, E Rcn, 542 Rcn, FSB Rash from 0100-0600 hrs. gave negative situation reports.	JS	RD
5.	0610		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: Weather Report. Visibility 7 miles, ceiling scattered, Max temperature 90, Min temperature 71.	JS	JM
6.	0705		D Co/Bn NCS: D Co would like a new company frequency.	JS	RD
7.	0758		Bde S3/Bn NCS: Be prepared mission: ORF for 2 convoys, 1. 4th transportation convoy com- ing from Long Binh thru Dong Swi to FSB But- tons, our area of responsibility is from Dong Xoai to FSB Buttons. 2. 6/27 Arty in Due Phong area of responsibility is the whole convoy, it will run from Due Phong to the junction of QL14 to 3-11. Convoy control will be on B-1-1 (A) FM 36.05.	JS	JB

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0810

Bde NCS/Bn NCS: D Co new frequency is FM 49.70.
test frequency is for 48 hrs.

JS

JB

9.

0819

Bn S3/Bde S3: Tentative Plans for 11 Dec 70.

A(-) will be base defense at FSB Dragon Head.

3/A will be base defense at FSB Rash, B(-)

will conduct G/R(ground recon) to YT 501903.

2/B will conduct G/R to YT 513913, 1/B will

conduct G/R to YT 535946. C(-) will conduct

G/R to YT 549955, 2/C will conduct G/R to YT

540968, 3/C will conduct G/R to YT 539971,

D(-) will conduct G/R to YU 582010, 2/D will

conduct G/R to YU 576004, 3/D will conduct

G/R to YU 576017, E Ren will conduct G/R to

YU 546033, E(-) has 2 mortar tubes at FSB

Rash and 2 opcon to 2nd Bde, 542 Ren will

conduct G/R to YU 724017.

JS

MD

10.

0846

Bn Sig Off/Bde Sig Off: Use of secure radio
for 9 DEC and 10 Dec. NCS-NCS(A) 1320-1325 hrs.

D Co-NCS 1745-1800 hrs. NCS-NCS(A) 1815-1830

hrs. C Co -NCS(A) 1830-1840 hrs. A Co-NCS 1845-

1850 hrs. B Co-NCS 1800-1815 hrs. NCS(A)-NCS

2000-2010 hrs. 10 Dec B Co-NCS 0640-0643 hrs.

D Co-NCS 0710-0715 hrs. D Co-NCS 064500650 hrs.

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11.	1000		1/B/Bn NCS: AIR LIFT. 1/B SEC/CA. PZ-FSB Rash, LZ-YT 429938, packs 19, sorties 1 lift. AGL-5, acft-5+2, 1st PZ-1000 hrs. 1st LZ-1028 hrs. PZ clear 1006 hrs. and lift complete at 1028 hrs. PZ/LZ-green.	JS	CC
12.	1005		All Units/Bn NCS: LOCATIONS: A (-) FSB Drag- on Head, 3/A YT 528935, B(-) YT 524911, 1/B YT 429938, 2/B YT 521927, C(-) YT 548961, 3/C YT 533982, D(-) YU 597007, 1/D YU 587007, 3/D YU 588012, 2/D moving from SW YU 597007. E(-) has 2 tubes at FSB Rash and 2 opcon 2nd Bde, E Ren YU 538044, 542 Ren YT 718990.	JS	CC
13.	1059		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: AIR LIFT. 995 RF SEC/SEC. PZ-Duc Phong, LZ- YT 429938, sorties 5, AGL-7, acft-5+2, 30 packs, 1st PZ-1038 hrs, 1st LZ- 1048 hrs. PZ clear 1040 hrs., lift complete 1050 hrs. PZ/LZ-green.	JS	CC
14.	1140		Bn S3 Asst/Bde S3 Air: Request Bde cancel LOH aircraft scheduled to come out to FSB Dragon Head at 1430 hrs. because mission was completed at FSB Dragon Head.	JS	MD
15.	1150		Bn S3/Bde S3 Air: Request permission to use CG/Log as a "chase ship" to follow UH1H faulty		

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15. 1150

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Permission granted from S3 Air, and request
we report to Bde upon arrival of CC/Log air-
craft to FSB Dragon Head.

JS

MD

16. 1215

D Co/Bn NCS: D Co at YU 595006 saw 1 trail
NS 18" wide hard packed, junction with the trail
EW 6" wide LRU in the last 3 days. 6 hootches
all in line, good shape, 1 week old, 1. 8x7 ft.
raised platform inside 3 ft. high, inside found
9 baskets with 300lbs. uppolishedrine destroyed,
2 sifters, 12 bamboo water containers(2 gal)
fresh cut, 2&3. 9x7 platform inside, 3 ft. high
4. 7x8 ft. bunker under hootch, 6x6 ft. 2 ft.
OHC and 2 entrances. 5. 6x7 ft., 6. 9x7 ft.
raised platform inside, 3 ft. hith, inside
1 GI E-tool, brand new, 1-2 lbs assorted cloth-
ing in poor condiction, 1 tin bowl, 6" in diameter,
3" deep, 1 fire place 4 days old, 1 wet stone,
1 large bar of soap, 5 lbs. of wheat flour,
1 rice field 50x800 meters 75% harvested.
Destroyed all hootches, bunkers and items found
inside. at YU 588015 found 1 trail NW-SE 18"
wide to ridge, swing SW. NRU. LRU in area in 3 days.

JS

CC

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17.	1250		542 Ren/Bn NCS: 542 Ren at YT 718988 found 1 bootch 10x20 ft. good condition 3 months old, destroyed. 3 cross bow with negative arrow, in place 7 days. 1 garden hoe, good shape in place 6 7 days, 20-26 lbs of corn, destroyed, corn was in burlap bag. Trail 1 ft. wide NS IRU in last 7 days, negative direction or individuals.	JS	CC
18.	1320		Div CO/Bn NCS: Div CO inbound to FSB Dragon Head, ETA-20 minutes, arrived 1340 hrs, TOD 1400 hrs. Comments- Increase of Payops Prog- ram with use of search light on FSB,	JS	MD
19.	1400		All Units/Bn NCS: LOCATIONS. A(-) FSB Dragon Head, 3/A FSB Rash, B(-) YT 524911, 2/B YT 521927, 1/B YT 429938, C(-) YT 553982, 1/C YT 538963 D(-) YU 595007, 1&3/D YU 585007, E (-) has 2 mortar tubes at FSB Rash, 2 opcon 2nd Bde, E Ren YU 538004, 542 Ren YT 718988, 995 RF YT 428952.	JS	CC
20.	1405		All Units/Bn NCS: PDS. B Co 4 off, 15 nco, 49 em, 8 att, T-76, C Co 4 off, 14 nco, 56 em, 12 att, T-86, D Co 5 off, 16 nco, 43 em 12 att, T-76, E Ren 1 off, 6 nco, 24 em, 4 T-35, 542 Ren 5944, 995 RF 30, FSB Rash		

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20.	1405		CONTINUED FROM PAGE 5: 6 off, 21 nco, 73 em, 8 att, T-108. FSB Dragon Head 14 off, 48 nco, 130 em, T-192.	JS	CC
21.	1410		Bn S3/Bde XO: Upon departure of Div CO, he had no derogatory comments, but placed emphasis on Payops Missions with use of searchlight on FSB, request 1 searchlight for FSB Dragon Head, also reference visit of 11 FF commander, besides regular briefing, CO would like a discussion of Drug Control and Human Relations. 2nd FF CO will be out to FSB Dragon Head at 0830 hrs. on 12 Dec 70.	JS	MD
22.	1524		Bde S3 Asst/Bn NCS: We are released from ORF for the convoy at 1524 hrs.	JS	MD
23.	1540		C Co/Bn NCS: C Co at YT 553982 took 1 incoming round, believed to be a 60mm mortar about 200 meters on a 120 azimuth from their location. Platoon moving out to check out area where it came from, round hit 50 meters outside of perimeter, negative friendly casualties. Engage with 15 HE 81mm mortar, negative findings on sweep, the round was a RPG.	JS	CC
24.	1555		Bn NCS/Bde S2 Asst: Request 1 scout dog team		

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24.	1555		CONTINUED FROM PAGE 6: for 11 Dec for D Co.	JS	MD
25.	1600		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: ON 2nd FF CO'S visit to FSB's, he wishes to be briefed on the following items. 1. Enemy situation, cover recent enemy activity to include movements, incidents and supply actions, state type of enemy initiated contacts and not trends, give appreciation of what enemy is trying to do. Cover intelligence sources being exploited and enemy supplies uncovered. 2. US Activities: discuss what unit is trying to accomplish and evaluate degree of success, give number of friendly initiated contacts. Evaluate results of both friendly and enemy initiated contacts. Discuss action taken to improve OPSEC. 3. Allied Activities: discuss operations of ARVN RF/PF and FVMAF within area of degree to which coordinated activity has been achieved.	JS	MD
26.	1635		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: MORATAR REPORT. E-60/4, G-2/0 Line 2 2, 1.	JS	MD
27.	1645		Bn S2/Bde S2: Mission Request for 11 Dec. VR for B Co, C Co, D Co, SLAR for 1/8 AG. IR along the Dong Nai River, sniffer in area		

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27.	1645		CONTINUED FROM PAGE 7: of YT 4886, 4993, 5186, 5193,	JS	MD
28.	1700		Bn NCS/Bde S2: 2/B at YT 522926 100 meters E of night location found 4 trails, one running EN, runs into NE-SW trail, 2 trails NS recent use in the last 24 hrs. hard packed trails, 1 1/2-2 ft. wide.	JS	JB
29.	1735		Bn S2/Bde S2: Correction on earlier spot report of 7 Dec 70. 1/B reported findings Winchester bolt action 30 cal weapon. The weapon is not a Winchester but an M1 carbine in fair condition, SN 6587023 which is being back hauled this evening through S4 channels.	JS	JB
30.	1740		Bn S3 Air/Bde S3 Air: Air Request for 11 Dec. 1 UH1H CC/Log aircraft with left jump seat to report to Song Be on FM 47.10 at 0700 hrs. to 33Z (commo rear) and then to FSB Dragon Head, on FM 44.05 at 0730 hrs. to Farmer 9 (TOC RTD) 1 Log aircraft same as above.	JS	MD
31.	1800		All Units/Bn NCS: NIGHT LOCATIONS. A(-) FSB Dragon Head, 3/A FSB Rash, B(-) YT 522909, 2/B YT 521925, 1/B YT 442949, D(-) YU 594004, 143/D YU 585007, C(-) YT 550004, L/C YT 531966,		

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31.	1800		CONTINUED FROM PAGE 8: 3/C YT 551989, E(-) has 2 mortar tubes at FSB Rash, 2 opson 2nd Bde, E Ren YU 538036, 1 squad ambush YU 540036. 542 Ren YT 703978, 995 RF YT 425965. All units have green on malaria, B Co has 3 AA(auto-ambush) C Co has 2 AA, D Co has 2 AA, all other units have negative AA. A Co, C Co, D Co each have 1 scout dog team, all other units have negative scout dog teams. All units have negative snipers, sensors, day manned ambushes. E Ren has 1 night manned ambush at YU 540036, all other units have negative night manned ambushes.	JS	CC
32.	1810		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: EXPOSURE REPORT. B Co 1st sortie 0825 hrs. last sortie 1630 hrs. In PZ at 0810 hrs. PZ clear 1645 hrs. 7 sorties. C Co 1st sortie 0835 hrs. last sortie 0835 hrs. In PZ 0820 hrs. PZ clear 0850 hrs. 1 sortie.	JS	MD
33.	1848		Bde S5/Bn NCS: Reference 1 RF WIA, he went to 3rd field hospital, also negative payopa as of yet, but S5 plans 1 for TBA south of FSB Dragon Head, reason Bde CO says would like it there.	JS	MD
34.	1900		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: MORTAR REPORT FSB Rash:		

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34.	1900	CONTINUED FROM PAGE 9: Line 1 E-O/51, G-O/O. line 2 8 E, G-O.	JS	MD				
35.	1915	Bn S3/Bde S3: Final Plans for 11 Dec 70. A(-) will be base defense at FSB Dragon Head, 3/A will be base defense at FSB Rash, B(-) will conduct G/R (ground reason) to YT 515901, 2/B will conduct G/R to YT 515920, 1/B will conduct G/R to YT 446925, C(-) will conduct G/R to YT 545978, 1/C will conduct G/R to YT 525965, 3/C will conduct G/R to YT 544991, D (-) will conduct G/R to YU 584002, 1/D will conduct G/R to YU 576004, 2/D will conduct G/R to YU 575008, E Rcn will conduct G/R to YU 544031, E(-) has 2 mortar tubes at FSB Rash, 2 opcon 2nd Bde, 542 Rcn will conduct G/R to YT 710981, 995 R ^k will conduct G/R to YT 427970.	JS	MD				
36.	1940	Bn S3 Asst/Bde S3 Air: Air Request for 11 DEC 70. Request 1 hook sortie for DX of 1/A with 3/A, SEC/SEC PZ-FSB Dragon Head, LZ-FSB Rash, 1/A has 23 packs, 1 sortie, 3/A has 25 packs, move to be at 1000 hrs.	JS	MD				
37.	2300	Bn S2/Bn NCS: Hand held photographer to take pictures of FSB Rash will be out 11 Dec.	JS	JB				

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