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FSB DRAGON HEAD

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FROM 0001 5 Jan 71 TO 2400 5 Jan 71

1st Bn 8th Cav

ITEM NO.	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INITIALS
	IN	OUT			
1.	0001		Bn NCS/Journal Opens.	JS	DQ
2.	0530		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: WEATHER REPORT. Visibility 7 miles, ceiling scattered and broken, Max temperature 80, Min temperature 62.	JS	DQ
3.	0555		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: Negative significant events in the 2nd Bde AO in the last 12 hrs.	JS	DQ
4.	0600		All Units/Bn NCS: B Co, C Co, D Co, E Rcn, FSB Rash from 0100-0600 hrs. gave negative situation reports.	JS	RD
5.	0712		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: Request information on B Co log which was scheduled for this morning. B Co will all be located at a common log site. Time all Plts. will join up is unknown, Bde wishes to be kept informed on this.	JS	CF
6.	0720		D Co/Bn NCS: D Co has 8 Chieu Hoi's, 3 women 4 children and 1 man, negative weapons.	JS	RD
7.	0843		Bn S3/Bde S3: Tentative Plans for 6 Jan 71. B Co will move after regrouping on a mission TBA. C Co will remain in ambush posture along trails vic of: C(-) YU 699000, 1/C (YT 691084, YT 688993), 2/C YU 689007, 3/C YT 716005. D(-) will conduct G/R (ground recon) to YT 494850, 1/D will conduct G/R to YT 492844, 2/D will		

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7. 0843			CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2: conduct G/R to YT 496858, E Rcn will conduct G/R to YT 450942, E(-) has 2 mortar tubes at FSB Rash, 1 FSB Thomas, 1 FSB Buttons. A Co will move SEC/CA from FSBs to LZ-TBA.		JS	DQ
8. 1000			All Units/Bn NCS: A(-) LOCATIONS. FSB DRAGON HEAD, 1/A FSB Rash, B(-) YT 6733996, 2/B YT 656982, 3/B YT 660979, C(-) YU 699000, 1/C (YT 688993, YT 691984), 2/C YU 689007, 3/C YU 716005. D(-) YT 510842, 2/D YT 516849, E Rcn YT 464926.		JS	RD
9. 1005			Bn S5/Bde S5 Asst: Request a Psyops aircraft to fly a mission in vicinity of D Co location playing a tape urging indigenous Vietnamese to Chieu Hoi.		JS	DQ
10. 1030			Bn Sig Off/Bde Sig Off: Secure radio usage in the last 24 hrs. B Co-NCS: 1800-0710 hrs. C Co-NCS: 1730-0640 hrs. D Co-NCS: 1230-0700 hrs. FSB Rash and A/L all secure, Log aircraft secure.		JS	DC
11. 1240			ADC/A asst/Bn NCS: ADC/A in bound . ETA-15 minutes, ADC/A at FSB Dragon Head 1255 hrs. TOD-1320 hrs.		JS	DC

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12.	1250		A Co CO/Bde S1: Concerning rear job for EM roster #114, initials JNV. I will release him to you provided that you have a slot for him and that you have orders cut assigning him to you and removing him from my morning report. If and when this is accomplished, I will send him in to you.	JS	MD
13.	1400		All Units/Bn NCS: LOCATIONS. A(-) FSB Dragon Head, 1/A FSB Rash, B(-) YT 672991, 2/B YT 663986, 3/B YT 661980, C(-) YU 699000, 1/C (YT 691984, YT 684991), 2/C YU 689007, 3/C (YU 717005, YU 717008), D(-) YT 510842, 2/D YT 516849, E Rcn YT 464926. PDS. 4 off, 14 nco, 80 em, 13 att, T-111(B Co), C Co 5 off, 13 em, 70 em, 16 att, T-104. D Co 6 off, 16 nco, 58 em, 12 att, T-92. E Rcn 1 off, 4 nco, 22 em, 4 att, T-31. FSB Rash 6 off, 14 nco, 55 em, T-75. FSB Dragon Head 17 off, 38 nco 131 em, T-186.	JS	DC
14.	1406		Bde S2 Asst/Bn NCS: F6 rating Agent Report. Unit- 9th VC Div 100 men, locale-as of 1 Jan 1400 hrs. YU 493030 and YT 494990. Equipment gray and bluish green uniforms with pith helmets. Weapons-4 RPG, 2 82mm mortars, 1 machine gun		

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14.	1406	CONTINUED FROM PAGE 3: AK47's, C4C's and some mines. Intentions-going to Buon Xa village for food. 1ACD Instum # 358 under interrogation report # 502 mentions a Bu Buon Xa hamlet-part of village #5 of K29. This report comes from an unintelligent source.			JS MD
15.	1550	1/D/Bn NCS: 1/D at YT 505841 has 29 Chieu Hois, at 1708 hrs. 11 more Chieu Hois.			JS EH
16.	1625	Pink Team/Bn NCS: Pink Team at YT 503864 saw 75x100 meter field with 1 51 cal pit pieces of aircraft strewn about the area. At YT 488873 saw 1 2ft. wide trail EW heavy recent use in both direction in the last 5-7 days. At YT 528898 saw 1 hootche frame 10x10 destroyed. A YT 565826 saw a stack of cut bamboo 2 days old.			JS DC
17.	1650	Bn S3 Air/Bde S3 Air: Request extension of CC and log aircrafts for transportation of Chieu Hois back to FSB Dragon Head. Clearance granted granted until 1830 hrs. Further clearance can be granted.			JS JM
18.	1710	Bde S3 Air/Bn S3 Air: Hook has been laid on for FSB Rash, ETA-30-60 minutes. This is to facilitate the transportation of Chieu Hois from			

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18.	1710		CONTINUED FROM PAGE 4: FSB Rash to FSB Buttons.			JS	JM
19.	1718		Bde S3 Asst/Bn S3: Nightly "mad minute" as a matter of unit SOP will be discontinued. Regular nightly firing of weapons discloses firing positions and does little to discourage the enemy.				
			Controlled fires from selected sectors can be used on an unscheduled basis.			JS	MD
20.	1755		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: MORTAR REPORT. FSB Dragon Head Line 1 E-0, F-0/3. Line 2 E-0, F-1. FSB Rash Line 1 E-137/28, F-0/5, Line 2 E-3, F-1.			JS	MD
21.	1756		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: EXPOSURE REPORT. E Rcn 1st sortie 1050 hrs. last sortie 1130 hrs. In PZ at 1035 hrs. PZ clear 1145 hrs. 3 sorties.			JS	MD
22.	1800		C Co/Bn NCS: C Co request new internal frequency, present frequency is unusable due to commercial override.			JS	DD
23.	1810		Bn S3 Air/Bde S3 Air: Air Request for 6 Jan 1 UH1H CC/Log aircraft with left jump seat and Y cord, to report to Song Be on FM 54.05 at 0700 hrs. to 8E(commo rear) and then to FSB Dragon Head on FM 64.75 at 0730 hrs. to Cradle 37(TOC RTO), 1 loga aircraft same as above.			JS	MD
24.	1850		Psyops Aircraft/Bn NCS: Psyops aircraft on				

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24.	1850	CONTINUED FROM PAGE 5: station to work pre planned grid 30 minute tape. TBS-1925 hrs.	JS			DC
25.	1855	Bn CO/Bn S3: D Co has large quantity of rice at YT 510842. 1. Engineers to cut pad, 2. laundry bags. 3. If engineers and laundry bags are unavailable they will need permission from Bde CO to destroy.	JS			DC
26.	1900	All Units/Bn NCS: CLOSING LOCATIONS. A(-) FSB Dragon Head, 1/A FSB Rash, B(-) YT 671986, 2 and 3/B YT 663986, C(-) YU 699000, 1/C(YT 691984, YT 691987), 2/C YU 689007, 3/C(YU 717005, YU 717008). D Co YT 510842. E Rcn YT 464926. All units have green on malaria. B Co has 4 AA(auto-ambush), C Co has 3 AA, D Co has 3 AA, E Rcn has 2 AA. B Co has 1 scout dog team, C Co and E Rcn each have one also. All other units have negative scout dog teams. All units have negative snipers. C Co has 4 manned day ambushes, all other units have negative day manned ambushes. C Co has 5 night manned ambushes. All other units have negative night manned ambushes.	JS			DC
27.	1930	Bn S3/Bde S3 Asst: Request an engineer squad				

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27.	1930		CONTINUED FROM PAGE 6: to come out to FSB Dragon Head , earliest 6 Jan to help in back haul of a rice cache.			JS	JM
28.	1935		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: New test frequency for C Co internal will be FM 37.20.			JS	MD
29.	1946		Bn S3/Bde S3 Asst: Reference to Engineers. 1. Be prepared to rappel, 2. terrain conditions: predominantly bamboo with large hardwood trees interspaced, C4 is needed to remove large trees. Unit-D Co Call sign Hives 59 at YT 504844.			JS	MD
30.	2012		Bn S3/Bde S3: Final Plans for 6 Jan 71. A(-) will be base defense at FSB Dragon Head, 1/A will be base defense at FSB Rash. B(-) will conduct G/R(ground recon) to YT 665988, 2/B will conduct G/R to YT 665988, C Co will remain in ambush posture along traits in vic: C(-) YU 699000, 1/C YT 691984, YT 691987, 2/C YU 689007, 3/C(YU 717008, 717005), D(-) will conduct G/R to YT 510842. E Rcn will conduct G/R to YT 466935, E(-) has 2 mortar tubes at FSB Rash, 1 FSB Thomas, 1 FSB Buttons.			JS	MD
31.	2045		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: SOI CHANGES. Effective 6 Jan 71 0001 hrs. Item 43C-15 3rd Bde B-2(A)			JS	MD
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31.	2045		CONTINUED FROM PAGE 7: to 60.40, 45G-15 2/8 A Co to 45.85. 49B-14 2/25 Inf. 2/12 Inf call work to Clean Table, 1/8 Arty(P) to 69.90, 45E-15 5/7 C Co to 31.20.				
32.	2358		All Units/Bn NCS: B Co, C Co, D Co, E Rcn, FSB Rash from 2000-2400 hrs. gave negative situation reports.			JS	MD
33.	2359		DAILY SUMMARY: Negative contact, negative cache, negative air lifts, Significant Events: D Co at 0720 hrs. had 8 Chieu Hoi's, 3 women, 4 children and 1 man, negative weapons. Taken to FSB Dragon Head. D Co at YT 505841 at 1550 hrs. had 29 Chieu Hois, at 1708 hrs. had 11 more Chieu Hois.			JS	DC
34.	2400		JOURNAL CLOSED.			JS	WL
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