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1.	0001		Bn NCS/Journal Opens.	JS	DC
2.	0215		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: SOI Changes effective 20 Jan 0001 hrs. 46-15 2/20 Arty retrans to 70.60, 1/21 Arty CF(P) to 40.85, 48A-15 H Co 75th Ranger CMD 1(A) to 50.20.	JS	JB
3.	0500		Div CG/Bn NCS: Evaluation of feedstuff(U). 1. (C) Recent reports indicate instance of 1st Cav Div tactical units destroy capture edible feedstuff. 2. (U) Units commanders are reminded of provisions in the 1st Cav Reg 755-26 subject disposal of supplies and equipment 30 Nov 70. 6A(15) is quoted here of baged loose rice and inedible moldy rice or other feedstuff may be destroyed. All other rice and edible feedstuff will be evacuated and will not be destroyed without permission from Bde. Evacuated feedstuff will be turned over to the ARVN commanders, province or district chief in area of operations and receipt will be obtained.	JS	DC
4.	0555		Bde S3/Bn NCS: CC aircraft #154 ETA-0700 hrs. Log aircraft #158 ETA-0930 hrs.	JS	JB
5.	0600		All Units/Bn NCS: A Co, B Co, C Co, E Rcn, FSB Rash from 0100-0600 hrs. gave negative reports.	JS	DC

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6.	0623		Bde S2/Bn NCS: SLAR report. YU 110199 had 1 individual near river. TOT-0137-0356 hrs.	JS	JB
7.	0705		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: WEATHER REPORT. Visibility 7 miles, ceiling scattered, Max temperature 90, Min temperature 66.	JS	JB
8.	0735		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Tentative Plans for 21 Jan. 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 Vic YT 697005 2/B will conduct G/R to YU 690003, 3/B will conduct G/R to YT 680003. C(-) will conduct G/R to YT 659905, 3/C will conduct G/R to YT 652929, 2/C will conduct G/R to YT 659915. D Co and E Rcn will be at stand down at VIP Center.	JS	JB
9.	0850		Bde S3/Bn NCS: QRF mission for today, Convoys. 1. Buttons to Dong Xoi, 2. Duc Phong to Hwy 311 and QL 14 and back to Duc Phong, 3. FSB Buttons to Dudop. 1/D is QRF.	JS	JB
10.	0903		Bde S2/Bn NCS: We will be receiving one dog team 21 Jan for B Co not two as requested.	JB	JB
11.	0918		Bn Sig O/Bde Sig O: Use of secure radio in the last 24 hrs. A Co: 1708-0700 hrs. B Co: 1705-0725 hrs. C Co: 1745-0810 hrs. A/L: all		

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11.	0918		CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2: secure, FSB Rash: all		
			secure.	JS	DC
12.	1000		All Units/Bn NCS: LOCATIONS. A(-) YT 628892,		
			1/A YT 629900, 3/A YT 628883, B(-) YT 697995,		
			2/B YT 694992, 3/B YT 684986, C(-) YT 636915,		
			1/C YT 644913, 2/C YT 650908, 3/C YT 637929,		
			D(-) FSB Dragon Head, 2/D FSB Rash, E Rcn YT		
			612898.	JS	RD
13.	1028		Bde XO/Bn ncs: He who used his claymores often		
			succeeds, but use them with caution or they will		
			wreck you fatigues. Acknowledged.	JS	DC
14.	1100		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: Reference to Sniff Mission;		
			pleas call in grid coordinates and not boxes		
			as they are no longer applicable.	JS	MD
15.	1234		Bn S3 Air/Bde S3 Air: Request permission to		
			take long aircraft out of Cav AO to Gia Nghia,		
			permission granted 1244 hrs.	JS	CU
16.	1244		Bde S3 Asst/Bn NCS: Released from RRF for LRRP		
			at 1244 hrs.	JS	MD
17.	1345		Bn S5/Bde S5: Preplanned Psyops for 21 Jan.		
			YT 5590 special tape made b y Hoi Chanh, YT 7289		
			IR sighting tape 39-6T, YT 6492 29-6T. Must		
			know if Arty Psyops mission will be run, Time?	JS	MD

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18.	1400		All Units/Bn NCS: LOCATIONS. A(-) YT 632896, 1/A YT 629900, 3/A YT 628883, 2/A YT 625881, B(-) YT 693994, 2/B YT 694992, 3/B YT 684986, C(-) YT 636915, 1/C YT 649916, 2/C YT 650908, 3/C YT 642923. D(-) FSB Dragon Head, 3/B FSB Rash, E Rcn YT 612898. PDS. A Co 4 off, 1 nco, 71 em, 10 att, T-96. B Co 4 off, 19 nco, 86 em, 7 att, T-116, C Co 4 off, 16 nco, 76 em, 14 att, T-110, E Rcn 1 off, 4 nco, 22 em, 5 att, T-32. FSB Rash 4 off, 17 nco, 62 em, T-85. FSB Dragon Head 12 off, 36 nco, 132 em, T-185.	JS	DC
19.	1430		Bn S2/Bde S2: Requests for 21 Jan. Sniffer in obx 57, SLAR for 1/8 AO, IR for YT 6895, YT 6884, YT 7295, YT 7284, PT for A Co, box 37 and 38.	JS	MD
20.	1514		Bde S1/Bn CO: Human Relation Education Team will be at FSB Dragon Head at 21 Jan at 0830 hrs. to 0930 hrs. and at FSB Rash from 1030-1130 hrs. Need acknowledgement of Bn CO, acknowledged at 1557 hrs.	JS	MD
21.	1529		Bde S5/Bn S5: Psyops/Arty mission cancelled for 20 Jan because of priority mission in IV Corps, will try to re-schedule for 21 Jan 71	JS	MD

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22.	1544		Bn S3 Air/Bde S3 Air: AIR LIFT. EX/SEC of B Bn PZ-YT 612899, LZ-FSB Dragon Head, 6 sorties Acft-3+2, ACL-5, 31 packs, 1st PZ 1522 hrs. 1st LZ-1528 hrs. PZ clear 1537 hrs. Lift complete 1543 hrs. PZ/LZ-green.	JS	MD
23.	1548		Bde S3 Asst/Bn NCS: Released from ORF for convoys at 1548 hrs. Disregard ETA for released 1hr. Released at 1659 hrs.	JS	MD
24.	1628		3/B/Bn NCS: 3/B at YT 688991 engaged 2 individuals 30 meters to the north, negative return fire, contact broke immediatly. Individuals were moving east on an EW trail 18" wide. Individuals evaded east, individuals were carrying AK47s, one individual was hit and seen going down, which they are claiming 1 KIA. Individuals were wearing green fatigues and green boonie hats, found in sweep of the area 1 AK47 magazine with 30 rounds in it, one rucksack with the following items: 1 bag with 30 lbs. of polished rice, 20 lbs of flour, 1 pound of salt, 1 bag of misc sewing equipment, 1 pair of black shorts, 1 pair of blue pants, 1 poncho.	JS	DC
25.	1640		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: MORTAR REPORT. FSB Dragon Head.		

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25.	1640		CONTINUED FROM PAGE 5: Line 1 E-55/25, F-1/1. Line 2 E-1 F-1. FSB Rash Line 1 E-216/14, F-0/0. Line 2 E-1, F-0.	JS	MD
26.	1703		B(-)/Bn NCS: B(-) at YT 693994 engaged 1 individual who was 20 meters to the south moving north on a NS trail. Individual was killed and is a step on, he carried an AK47 with a 18 rounds in his magazine, wore a blue shirt and green pants, NVA pistol belt and NVA canteen. He had extremely long hair and B(-) had about 8 rounds of return fire.	JS	DC
27.	1714		Bde S3 Asst/Bn NCS: Be prepared to send 1 Pit to secure an aircraft with maintenance troubles at Duc Phong. This is a 30 minute QRF mission and Bde will provide hook transportation to Duc Phong, released at 1737 hrs.	JS	CU
28.	1737		Bn NCS/Bde S3 Air: Air request for 21 Jan. 1 CC aircraft with left jump seat and 3 Y cords to report to Song Be at 0700 hrs. to commo rear, and then to FSB Dragon Head at 0730 hrs. to TOC RTO, 1 leg aircraft with cargo hook to report to Song Be at 0730 hrs. and to FSB Dragon Head at 0800 hrs. Hook moves to Duc Phong, at	JS	LD

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28.	1737		CONTINUED FROM PAGE 6: 0800 hrs. D Co, 0830 hrs. D Co, 0900 hrs. D Co, 0930 hrs. D Co 35 packs for each sortie. Request 6+2 for FX/SEC of A Co from two locations. PZ-YT 630902, YT 628883, LZ-FSB Dragon Head, FSB Rash. 19 sorties, 98 packs at 1000 hrs.	JS	MD
29.	1800		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Final Plans for 21 Jan. A(-) will FX/SEC at 1000 hrs. to FSB Dragon Head for base defense, 3/A will FX/SEC at 1000 hrs. to FSB Rash for base defense. B(-) will conduct G/R to YW 698002, 2/B will conduct G/R to YW 690001, 3/B will conduct G/R to YT 677996, 1/C will conduct G/R to YT 659915, 2/C will conduct G/R to YT 659909, 3/C will conduct G/R to YT 651922. D Co will move by hook to Duc Pong and be fixed wing to Bien Hoa for stand down at VIP Center. E Rcn will go with D Co also, E(-) has 3 mortar tubes at FSB Dragon Head, 2 tubes at FSB Rash.	JS	MD
30.	1815CS/		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: CC aircraft released at 1810 hrs. log aircraft released at 1530 hrs.	JS	MD
31.	1832		Bde S3 Asst/Bn NCS: From a conversation between Bn CO and Bde CO the liason team at Gia		

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31.	1832		CONTINUED FROM PAGE 7: Nghia will remain until relieved from that commitment by Bde CO.	JS	MD
32.	1847		Bn Relay Gia Nghia/Bn NCS: LOCATIONS OF FRIENDLIES. A and L, R Cn, 281, 379, 179, all same. 411 not available, Intell 927280. 227 Co 940279, 942278, 945273, PF 1-950261, 945261, PF 2-943234, PF 3-929260, 922277, PF 4- 957237, 964235, PF 6-899382, 898394, 955261, 963260, 880248, 890250.	JS	DC
33.	1929		All Units/Bn NCS: NIGHT LOCATIONS. A(-) YT 628892, 1/A YT 629900, 3/A YT 628883, B(-) YT 693996, 2/B YT 694992, 3/B YT 688991, C(-) YT 636915, 1/C YT 649916, 2/C YT 645905, 3/C YT 644920, D(-) FSB Dragon Head, 2/D FSB Rash, 3/D YT 685973, E Rcn FSB Dragon Head. All units have green on malaria. All units have negative snipers, day and night manned ambushes. C Co has 1 scout dog team, all other units have negative scout dog teams. B Co has 6 AA(auto-ambush), C Co has 2 AA, all other units have negative AA.	JS	DC
34.	1950		Bn S2/Bde S2: Request IRRF box. Center of mass: 1. YU 7007, Alternate 2. YU 6805, for 25 Jan 71. approximate arrival date?	JS	MD

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35.	2110		Bde S5/Bn NCS: Psyops run 19 Jan YT 4686 3x3 20 minute tape, YT 5596 3x3 20 minute tape, Pre-planned for 21 Jan YT 6089 5x5, YT 5594 3x3, YT 7099 3x3.	JS	MD
36.	2150		Bn Relay Gia Nghia/Bn NCS: People at Gia Nghia would like to request clearance to fire artillery on XU 6418, 6518, 6519, 6521. Would like to fire 8 rounds as soon as can be arranged, cleared, initials: RWS.	JS	DC
37.	2358		All Units/Bn NCS: A Co, B Co, C Co, 3/D, FSB Rash from 2000-2400 hrs. gave negative situation reports.	JS	DC
38.	2359		DAILY SUMMARY: Contact- 3/B at YT 688991 engaged 2 individuals walking down at EW trail with small arms, results: 1 KIA, 1 captured rucksack and 1 AK47 magazine with 30 rounds in it. B(-) at YT 693994 engaged 1 individual moving north on a NS trail. Results: 1 KIA, with AK47 and 18 rounds in it, B(-) took about 8 rounds of return fire. Negative cache, Air Lifts: FE/SEC of E Rcn. PZ- YT 612899, LZ-FSB Dragon Head. Negative significant events.	JS	WL
39.	2400		JOURNAL CLOSED.	JS	DC

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