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1.	0001		Bn NCS/JOURNAL: JOURNAL OPENED.	JS	DW
2.	0600		All Units/Bn NCS: Hourly Situation Reports; (0100,0200,0300,0400,0500,0600H), Negative.	JS	DW
3.	0502		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: Negative significant events in the AO during the night.	JS	MD
4.	0615		Bde S-3/Bn NCS: Log Aircraft 956 and CC Aircraft 398 are due to arrive at 0645H.	JS	MD
5.	0735		All Units/Bn NCS: Up on the pill (A,B,C,D,E). Trips and claymores are in at FSB Betty at 0735H.	JS	DW
6.	0807		Bde S-2 NCO/Bn NCS: Sniffer Boxes; 1-2338, 3338, 3333, 2333, (2) 2532, 3532, 3527, 2527, (4) 3529, 4429, 3524, (11) 1725, 2825, 2820, 1720, Night Hawk Box; #3-1330, 1939, 924, 1324, 4-1124, 1624, 1618, 11118, 5-2825, 3425, 34212821.	JS	DB
7.	0809		Bde S-2 NCO/Bn NCS: FY YU 316584; activated 0801H heavy activation.	JS	DB
8.			Bde S-3 Air/Bn NCS: Bde is offering Bn 1/8 Cav free air hard bombs for 1000H, onas, YU 313125.	JS	DB
9.	1015		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: Arc lite, B52 air strikes #988, for YU 322210, 30T 13 Aug 1515H, Clearance for air strike given by RH S-3 Air /B Cav.	JS	DB
10.	1030		Bn Co/Bn NCS: At grid YU 265324 found 01 bunkerw 4'x68 in good condition in the last 12 hours.	JS	KB

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11.	1045		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Current locations; A Co-- YU 312285 log pad, B Co-YU 260328, C Co-YU 212368, D Co-FSR B atty, E Co-FSR Betty, Recon-YU 239328.	JS	KB
12.	1035		B Co/Bn NCS: YU 260328; found an east west 4' wide bamboo matting trail with negative recent use. Also a bridge 30' long 5' wide trail from bridge ran eastwest. YU 259328-01 4'x6' bunker in good condition with 2' OHC and well camouflaged with empty C-Ration cans on this east west trail. 01 southwest trail 1 1/2' wide with negative recent use in the last 03 to 04 days. Trails also have cart tracks with heavy recent use in the last 03 to 04 days.	JS	KB
13.	1213		B Co/Bn NCS: B Co 3rd plt while on recon of river spotted 03 individuals; 02 were on a ladder getting water, 01 on the river bank with RPG M-gun. B Co, 3rd plt engaged individuals with small arms. B Co 3rd platoon hit both individuals on the ladder, 01 fell in the river, 01 fell on river bank, 01 on river bank with RPG M-gun evaded to the west. B Co 3rd plt claim 02 enemy KIA. Arty, ARA and Bash on station employing in contact area. Now believe weapon was PFSH.		

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13.	1213		Continuation from page 2: Contact started at 1213H, broke immediately. Will go into contact area tomorrow on other side of river and recover bodies.	JS	KB
14.	1217		Rash 21/Bn NCS: Air strike diverted from YU 199372 to YU 262356; TBS 1325H, ordnance 750 lbs, BDA-02 one shipper. Remarks: Rash 21 worked B Co 3rd plt contact before air strike went in area.	JS	KB
15.	12220		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Request a log aircraft for 1/8 Cav to replace the aircraft that broke down on RF this morning.	JS	DQ
16.	1230		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: YU 312285; A Co, 1/8 Cav while at their log site, found 01 empty blood plasma can. Can was manufactured by a Japanese Company, "NIHON SEIYAKU Co.", at one time this can contained 500 CC of human blood plasma.	JS	DQ
17.	1314		Almond 27/Bn NCS: Working with B Co in their contact area of YU 263327, TBS 1430H found at grid locations; YU 265329 an east west trail 2' wide used by 02 individuals in the last 24 hours. YU 270328-03 3'x5' bunkers with light to moderate recent use in the last 48 hours		

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17.	1314		Continuation from page 3: to 72 hours. YU 266328 - 03 5'x8' bunkers 04 5'x8' bunkers and steps that lead down to river, 04 fighting positions and small hole look like tunnel entrances. YU 262327 spotted 03 bunkers destroyed by ARA and air strike.	JS	KB
18.	1337		Bde S-2 Asst/Bn S-2: Arc lite K988, YU 322210, YU 327201, YU 341224, YU 353215, TOT 131545H.	JS	DQ
19.	1410		E Co Recon/Bn NCS: Lift of E Co recon from YU 236328 to FSB Betty, time started at 1442H, 1st PS at 1445H, PZ Clear at 1452H, last LZ at 1456H, number of sorties-06, color of LZ at green, lift completed at 1457H.	JS	KB
20.	1528		All Units/Bn NCS: Current locations; A Co-YU 32285. B Co-YU 260324. C Co-YU 212368. D Co-FSB Betty. E Co-FSB Betty. E Co Recon-FSB Betty.	JS	JD
21.	1602		Bn S-3/Bde S-3: Plans for tomorrow will be same unless platoon from D Co is returned. Platoon will probably be in base defense until tomorrow. A Co was logged today. C Co will be logged tomorrow.	JS	JD
22.	1648		Bn S-2/Bde S-2; VR Request; B Co-A Co-C Co. Sniffer requests: #1-1938, 1932, 2738, 2732. #2-		

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22	1648		Continuation from page 4: 2731, 2722, 3331, 3322. #3- 1827, 1820, 2627, 2620. #4-2034, 1023, 734, 1723.	JS	DQ
23	1700		Bde S-2/Bn S-2: Happenings: 1102- A Co 1/9 in support of D 5/7 a grid YU 425359 spotted and engaged 03 individual wearing green. Re- sults-01 NVA KIA. 1120 - Recon 2/12 Cav at grid YU 630184 spotted 01 individual wearing khakis and wearing a pistol belt, engaged with sniper firing 06 round. Results-01 KIA. 1550H - A Co 1/9 Cav at grid YF 394936 spotted 01 individual with an AK47 wearing fatigues and a helmet engaged with results of 01 KBH and 01 AK47 destroyed. Also at same grid spotted bunker complex with estimated 20 individuals in it. ABA, air strikes and artillery being employed at this time.	JS	JD
24	1745		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Exposure Report: A Co first sortie at 1150H, last at 1600H, started at 1135H, ended at 1615H, number of sorties-06, remarks-log. D Co first sortie at 1615H, last sortie at 1645H, started at 1600H, ended at 1700H, number of sorties 01, remarks-went to Bu ^U op to log a platoon.	JS	JD

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<u>25.</u>	<u>1900</u>		<u>Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Mortar report; 1- 127/50 HK, HI - 35 WP and 42 Illumination. 2- 12 WP - 01 mission.</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>JD</u>
<u>26.</u>	<u>1915</u>		<u>Bde S-2/Bn NCS: YU 640003, UR 1400 meters radius, took place in the late afternoon.</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>JD</u>
<u>27.</u>	<u>1930</u>		<u>All Units/Bn NCS: Night locations; A Co - YU 262326. B Co-YU 2218868, C Co-YU 214368. D Co-FSB Betty. E Co-FSB Betty. E Co Recon-FSB BETTY.</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>DB</u>
<u>28.</u>	<u>1930</u>		<u>All Units/Bn NCS: PDS; A Co-03 off, 18 NCO, 74 EM, B Co-04 OFF, 21 NCO, 64 EM. C Co 03 OFF, 17 NCO, 83 EM. Commo-01 OFF, 02 NCO, 13 EM. Bath finders-02 EM, Engineers-01 OFF, 04 NCO, 14 EM. HHC AND E Co-07 OFF, 27 NCO, 58 EM. Base defense-02 OFF, 02 NCO, 56 EM, 105-04 OFF, 18 NCO, 37 EM. 155-04 OFF, 15 NCO, 61 EM. Recon-08 NCO, 20 EM.</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>DB</u>
<u>29.</u>	<u>1954</u>		<u>Bn S-3 Air/Bde S-3 Air: Air request YU 254314, friendlies 1 kilometer to the northeast, YU 323285 friendlies 1 kilometers to the west, YU 231369 friendlies 1 kilometers to the west- all hard targets and all bunker complexes.</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>JD</u>
<u>30.</u>	<u>2013</u>		<u>Bn S-2/Bde S-2: Patrol out of FSB Betty at grid</u>		

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30.	2013		Continuation from page 6: YU 246288 found a 3' wide east west trail, trail curves toward FSB Betty and when trail curves there are feeder trails and parallel trails. Trails shows recent use by a possible 50 individuals. Above grid is a hill with an open area with chh bamboo. Patrol returned to location later to set up automatic ambushes and heard some one running ahead of them, also heard chopping sounds.	JS	JD
31.	2035		Bn S-2/Bde S-2: YU 238329; E Co recon found bunker complex with 24 8'x10' with 1' OHC with fighting positions arranged for mutual support with light OHC, 03 parallel 10"x20" long holes lined with split bamboo holes were 8" deep, 02 mess area each with 4'x5' cooking hootches with benches on both sides.	JS	JD
32.	2040		Bn S-3 Air/Bde S-3 Air: Air strikes request for 13 Aug 70; Target 1-bunkers complex at YU 254314, 1 1/2 kilometers to the northeast. 2-bunker complex at YU 323285 1 kilometer to the west. 3-bunker complex at Y 231369, 1 kilometer to the west. Ordnance; 500 # and napalm for all three.	JS	JD

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33.	2046		Bn NCS/Bde S-3 Air: 132 left with skid ant, would like it back in the morning.	JS	JD
34.	2047		Bn S-3/Bde S-3: Final plans for 13 Aug 70; A Co-conduct ground reconnaissance to the south and southeast, then establish NDP in vicinity grid of YU 316283. B Co will conduct ground reconnaissance to the northeast along river. Employ day and night ambushes, then establish NDP in vicinity grid YU 267327. C Co will conduct a ground reconnaissance to the northeast, then establish NDP in vicinity grid YU 218371. D Co (-)-base defense FSB Betty. E co-base defense FSB Betty.	JS	JD
35.	2049		Bn S-3/Bde S-3: Tentative plans for 14 Aug 70: A Co will conduct ground reconnaissance to the southeast to vicinity grid YU 319280. B Co will conduct ground reconnaissance to the northeast along river to vicinity grid YU 271330. C Co will conduct a ground reconnaissance to the northeast to vicinity YU 222372. D Co will conduct base defense at FSB Betty. E Co will conduct base defense at FSB Betty.	JS	JD
36.	2350		Bn S-3/Bde S-3 Air: Request D-5 dozer and 01 search light.	JS	MD

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37.	2350		Bn S-3/Bde S-3: Request 01 platoon of D Co and move at 1300H.	JS	MD
38.	2355		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Request for a scout dog team for CC o. 1/8 Cav at 0700H. Request team and report to 1/8 rear for transportation.	JS	MD
39.	2356		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Request scout dog team for C Co and D Co, 1/8 Cav. Refused because not enough time was given for Bde to contact them on such short notice. If 1/8 wishes to use a dog team, they should call a few days prior.	JS	MD
40.	2359		Daily SUMMARY: Cache; Negative Cache. Air Lifts; Negative air lifts. Contacts; B Co 3rd platoon at 1213H spotted 03 individuals and engaged them with organics; 02 were on a ladder getting water, 01 on the river bank with RPG machinegun. B Co 3rd platoon was given credit for 02 NVA KIA. Significant Events; Negative.	JS	MD
41.	2400		JOURNAL CLOSED.	JS	MD

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