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1.	0001		Bn NCS/JOURNAL OPENED.	JS	DW
2.	0130		Bde S-3/Bn NCS: Permanent Locations; in vicinity of Bn Dep; 12 PF-966248, 19 PF-966260, 18 PF-966257, 38 PF-966276, 39 PF-966248, 40 PF-966248, 41 PF-965248, 42 PF-966254, 43 PF-965243, 67 PF-975285, 68 PF-966248, 334 RF-0020, intell plt 113 RF-966248, 876 RF-957257, MACV Team 16-966348, MACV Team 16-966348, Bn Dep MACV Team 84, U.S. Firebases: Ther - 910285, Jerfi-963223, VH: Tayson-960245. Occupied by 3rd Bde 7th RF with 3 companies to the southwest and to the south. Firebases: Exodus-367563, Eleven Brave-324487, Mo-255430, Snuffy-333360, Jewel-361348, Barry-170330, Betty-242290, Lolai-252293, Margaret-280236, Candy-182233, Eunice-877183, Rarda-958318, Ahead-106246.	JS	DW
3.	0500		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: In the future the following will be included in the daily plan forward to Bde; Sniper Missions/Operations; (1) Mission, (2) Location, (3) No. of snipers employed in each mission, (4) No. of security personnel with snipers, (5) Duration of Mission, (6) Disposition of assigned snipers currently not being employed.	JS	DW
4.	0600		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: Negative Significant Events in AO.	JS	DW

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5.	0600		All Units/Bn NCS: Hourly ^S ituation Reports; (0400, 0200, 0300, 0400, 0500, 0600H), Negative.	JS	DW
6.	0620		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Snipers; 1/8 Cav has 03 qualified Snipers; 01 on R&R, 02 C Co-YU 215363 to initiate ambush with live company 051pm 07 days. #3-FSB Betty for base defense.	JS	DW
7.	0635		Bde S-3 Air/Bn NCS: Log aircraft 392, GC Aircraft 498. Aircraft currently on weather hold.	JS	DW
8.	0732		All Units/Bn NCS: Up on the pill (A, B, C, D, E, Recon). Trips and claymores are in at FSB Betty at 0650 hrs.	JS	DW
9.	0825		Bn Sig Off/Bde Sig Off: Bn signal officer informed the radio NCO, that we will keep 38.65 as the Bn A/L. primary. Also he informed him that B Co 15th TCBn is still on Bn GMD(-vi). Request immediate actions be taken.	JS	DQ
10.	1000		All Units/Bn NCS: Current location: A Co-YU 310282. B Co-FSB Betty. C Co-YU 215363. D Co-YU 255329. E Co-FSB Betty. Recon-YU 229291.	JS	DQ
11.	1007		Bn S-2/Bde S-2 Asst: Ranger box requests; The following is a request for ranger teams with center masses having priority in the order in which they are listed. After insertion of Team 55. Center Mass		

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<u>11.</u>	<u>1007</u>		<u>Continuation from page 2: 1820; #1-2925, #2-2125, #3-1232, #4-2919, #5-1933.</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>DQ</u>
<u>12.</u>	<u>1103</u>		<u>C Co/Bn NCS: YU 215364; C Co in contact at 1100 hrs while moving into old bog sight spotted 02 individuals on northside of pad. Engaged with small arms. Enemy did not return fire; 01 individuals was wearing black shirt. C Co are sweeping area at 1113 hrs. Contact broke immediately with negative detumescence captured. Negative friendly casualties. Enemy evaded to the west. ARA and artillery employed inot area. Negative weapons spotted. Negative headgear spotted. Negative finding after sweeping area except broken brush going to west. C Co is checking area and further to the west. Also individual drop odd things like GI coffee, sugar and cream. At 1235 hrs reported finding a blood track with intermittent blood drops in the same area heading west followed to a stream and lost it.</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>KB</u>
<u>13.</u>	<u>1232</u>		<u>B Co NCS/Bn NCS: No fly, no fire boxes; Effective 190001 hrs Aug 70; #1-YU 4360, 4354, 4960, 4954. #2-YU 4351, 4945, 4945, 4951.</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>PD</u>
<u>14.</u>	<u>1240</u>		<u>C Co/Bn NCS: YU 310282; found northeast southwest trail 1' wide with 01 boot print very old, 01 31-9!</u>		

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14.	1240		Continuation from page 9: bunker with negative OHC. O1 unpainted wooden box 2' long, 1 1/2" wide 8" high with marking of A-17-6 in red ink about 1 1/2" high, also a name in red ink Duong Kinh about 1" high. Negative resnat use in area.	KB	KB
15.	1315		Bn S-2/Bde S-2: YU 266326; On 8 Aug 70 at 2050 hrs a squad size force of B Co 1/8 Cav engaged with claymore mines and estimated force of 10 individual. The squad did kill O1 individual who was seen laying over bamboo when nighthawk came on station and provided light at about 2105 hrs. When nighthawk returned for second time during night, body was not on bamboo. It had been carried away. Division did not give B Co a kill. / Request that message be forwarded requesting Division totals be adjusted to reflect this kill of B Co. / Bde S-2 Asst said he would forward this message to Division and request the Division readjust their figures.	JS	DQ
16.	1342		Bn MCS/Bde MCS: YU 310282; Medevac request (priority); Request medevac for A Co, a KCS is in need of extraction due to temperature of 104°. This time individual is very ill. ETA 20-25 min (1420H).	JS	DQ

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17.	1436		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Current locations; A Co-YU 310282. B Co-FSB Betty. C Co-YU 215363. D Co-YU 255334. E Co-FSB Betty. Bacon-YU 225292 moving west.	JS	KB
18.	1510		Bn S-2/Bde S-2: VR & Sniffer; VR Request #1- A company. #2-Company. #3-VR area from YU 218224 to YU 229283 for signs of enemy activity. Sniffer requests same as yesterday.	JS	JD
19.	1510		D Co/Bn NCS: YU 255334; Found O1 eastwest trail 2' wide light use at one time with negative recon use. O1 bunker 3'x5' 2' OHG.	JS	KB
20.	1544		Bde S-2/Bn S-2: Decon wants found in bunker at YU 261327 on 18 Aug 70 by D Co were feed receipts; for tea and milk issued to B2 and B3. B2 and B3 are company size, there were no dates. Ranger team 55 will be inserted today if possible.	JS	JD
21.	1650		Bn NCX/Bde NCS: 1/8 requests dog team for C Co for 19 Aug 70.	JS	DW
22.	1655		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Exposure Report; A Co-1255 first sortie, 1545 hr last sortie, started at 1240 hrs, ended at 1600 hrs, number of sorties-06. C Co-1250 hrs, last sortie at 1300 hrs, started at 1235 hrs, ended at 1815 hrs, number of sorties-01. D Co at 1100 hrs, last at 1115 hrs, started 1045, ended 1130, # of sorties-01.		JD

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23.	1700		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Mortar report; 1-E 112/32, G-24. 2. 3, G-1.	JS	JD
24.	1710		Bde S-3 Air/Bn NCS: Two air strikes that went in today: #1-YU 200325 at 1333 hrs. #2-YU 190285 at 1444 hrs.	JS	JD
25.	1715		Bde S-3 Air /Bn S-3 Air: Air strikes fraggd for 19 Aug 70; #1-YU 197297-LZ construct at 130 hrs. #2-YU 277303-LZ construct at 1115 hrs.	JS	JD
26.	1800		All Units/Bn NCS: PDS: A Co-03 OFF, 18 NCO, 74 EM. C Co-03 OFF, 14 NCO, 80 EM. D Co-02 OFF, 26 NCO, 66 EM. Commo-01 OFF, 05 NCO, 12 EM. Path finders-03 EM. Engineers-01 OFF, 03 NCO, 06 EM. HHC & B Co-06 OFF, 19 NCO, 59 EM. Base Defense-04 OFF, 21 NCO, 62 EM. 105-04 OFF, 21 NCO, 62 EM. 155-03 OFF, 16 NCO, 65 EM.	JS	JD
27.	1807		All Units/Bn NCS: Night locations; A Co-YU 809284. B Co-FSB Betty. C Co-YU 215363. D Co-YU 255332. E Co-FSB Betty. E Co Recon-YU 219291. Malaria; Green-4000, B Co, C Co, D Co, E Co, Recon). A/A; A Co-05. B Conegative. C Co-negative. D Co-negative. Recon-negative. Manned Ambushes; (Day or Night)- A Co-01 night, negative day. B Co-Negative for day or night. C Co-03 night, negative at day.		

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<u>27</u>	<u>1807</u>		Continuation from page 6: D Co-01 at night, negative during the day. E Co-negative. Dags; C Co-negative. B Co-negative. C Co-01. D Co-01. E Co-negative. Snipers; A Co-negative. B.G. D.E-All negative. Day manned Ambushes; A Co-B Co, C Co, D Co, E Co-Negative. Night Manned Ambushes; A Co-plt YU 310282. B Co-negative. C Co-sqd at 216363, 215362, 214363. D Co-sqd at 253334. Recen-negative.	<u>JS</u>	<u>JD</u>
<u>28</u>	<u>1850</u>		A Co/Bn NCS: Reports their last light check reported they found at grid YU 309284, a least west 1' wide trail with negative recent use. Also at YU 308284 found a bridge 2 1/2' wide 30 meters long going northwest/southeast across stream made of bamboo with negative hand rails. The trails northwest/southeast 1' wide same grid shows recent use in the last 24-48 hrs. The point man also heard metal clanging noises in that area to his front. Same area of bridge MAX had embe worked out there are blood stains in area, and also some brown hair. A Co says looks like animal hair.	<u>JS</u>	<u>DB</u>
<u>29</u>	<u>1950</u>		Bn S-3 Air/Bde S-3 Air: Aircraft request for 19 Aug 70; (1) 01 UH1H for CC aircraft report		

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29.	1950		Continuation from page 7: report to FSB Buttons at 0700 hrs and contact "Spangy Reform 15M" (Comms Rear) on 38.65 and pick up airties for FSB Betty. Contact Spangy Reform 42(TOC RTG) on 30.50, request aircraft have extra "Y" card and protective masks. (2) O1 UH1H for log aircraft report same as CC aircraft. "Y" card N/A. Request external book and protective masks. Log for 19 Aug; C Co O8airties no set time.	JS	JD
30.	1953		In S-3 Air/Bde S-3 Air: Air strikes request for 19 Aug 70; Target #1-LZ construct at YU 284263, nearest frindlies 3K to the east-northeast. #2-LZ Construct at YU 186346, nearest frindlies 3 kilometers to the east-northeast. #3-LZ Construct at YU 227385, 2.5 kilometers to the south southwest. Ordnance; (1) 750 lb daisy cutter. (2) 750 lb daisy cutters. (3) 750 lbs daisy cutter.s	JS	JD
31.	2030		In S-3/Bde S-3: Tentative plans for 20 Aug 70; A Co(-) will conduct a ground reconnaissance to the north west to vicinity grid YU 3082 88. A Co 2nd plt will ambush pasture in vicinity grid YU 310282, then conduct a ground reconnaissance to the vicinity grid YU 295285. B Co will sec/sec at 1100 hrs from FSB Betty to		

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31.	2030		Continuation from page 8: to YU 223369 then conduct a ground reconnaissance to the northeast to vicinity grid YU 228372. C Co will sec/sec at 1100 ars from YU 223369 to FSB Betty and assume base defense. D Co will conduct a ground reconnaissance to the northeast to vicinity grid YU 260340. Recon- will conduct ground reconnaissance to the northwest to vicinity grid YU 25295. E Co-base defense at FSB Betty.	JS	JD
32.	2030		In 3-3/Bde 3-3: Final plans for 19 Aug 70; A Co (-)-conduct a ground reconnaissance to the west, then establish NDP in vicinity grid YU 205305. A Co platoon will ambush posture in vicinity YU 310282, then establish NDP in vicinity grid YU 310282. B Co will conduct base defense at FSB Betty. C Co will conduct ground reconnaissance to the northeast, then establish NDP in vicinity grid YU 260368. D Co will conduct ground reconnaissance to the north, then establish NDP in vicinity grid YU 257336. E Co-base defense at FSB Betty. Recon- will conduct a ground reconnaissance to the northwest, then establish NDP in vicinity grid YU 217292. Snipers; 01-FSB Betty, 01-R&R. 01 Bien Hoa (weapon repair).	JS	JD

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Bde S-2/Bn S-2: XU 754197 at 2033 hrs - heavy. YU 226367 at 2104 hrs - heavy. 2131-YU 118346 at 2109 hrs - heavy. XU 573268 at 2118 hrs - heavy. 2141-YU 354395 at 2132 hrs - moderate.

JS

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Bde S-2/Bn S-2: Red Haze report; 01 individuals sighted in the open at YU 310280, 2000 hrs time of detection. Passed to 2/8 A Co at 2345 hrs.

JS

MD

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2359

DAILY SUMMARY: Cache; Negative cache. Contacts; C Co at YU 215364 initiated contact with 02 individuals on the north side of the log pad. ^{there all} Individuals were engaged with small arms. Enemy did not return fire. Enemy evaded to the west. Results; Negative enemy assessments, negative friendly casualties. Air Lifts; Negative air lifts. Significant Events; Negative.

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