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1.	0001		Bn NCS/JOURNAL OPENED.	JS	MD
2.	0100		Bde S-3 Asst/Bn S-3 Asst: All air moves for 28 Aug 70 are cancelled; ORF is still going for 1/8 Cav.	JS	MD
3.	0145		Bn S-3 Asst/Bde S-3 Air: B Co, 1/8 requests log for 28 Aug 70, 08 sorties. 01 Line #1 must be removed from contact area.	JS	MD
4.	0351		Bn S-3 Asst/Bde S-3 Air: 28 Aug 70, B Co, 1/8 Cav requires 02 sorties of H2O (water) from FSB Snuffy to FSB Betty. Also, 01 backhaul of blivets from FSB Betty to FSB Snuffy.	JS	MD
5.	0531		Bde S-3 Asst/Bn S-3 Asst: Only 04 "slicks" to <i>(for Ada)</i> operate 28 Aug 70. 1/8 Cav will almost definitely get one because of Line #1 still in contact area. Negative CH47 mission.	JS	MD
6.	0546		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: Negative Significant Events.	JS	MD
7.	0600		All Units/Bn NCS: Hourly Situation Reports: (0100,0200,0300,0400,0500,0600H). Negative.	JS	DW
8.	0745		All Units/Bn NCS: Up on pill (A,B,C,D,E,Recon). Trips and claymores are in at FSB Betty at 0745 hrs.	JS	DW
9.	0815		Bde S-2 Asst/Bn NCS: Sniffer boxes: #7, #13, #14, #15, #20, #21, #29. - Night Hawk Boxway #2-		

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9.	0815		Continuation from page 1: 1128, 1528, 1520, 1120, #3-1622, 2222, 2218, 1618. #4-2830, 3330, 3318, 2818.	JS	DQ
10.	0950		Bde S-2 Asst/Bn NCS: C Co will have 02 automatic ambushes and 01 sensor device in their log site, of yesterday grid location. YU 218261. C Co will pick these items up sometime on the 29 Aug 70.	JS	KB
11.	0950		Bde S-2 Asst/Bn NCS: Agent Report; This report concerns the location and activities of a 50 man enemy force located at grid YU 257326, observed. On 25 Aug 70, this unit was approximately 1.5 kilometers from road #309, 120 meters southeast of stream and 23 kilometers northeast of FSB Buttons. This unit wore black uniforms, sandals and canvas hats and carried AK47s, SKS and 01 automatic rifle. There was also a cache site at above grid 4'x8'x2' containing 4.46 kilograms of rice, 01 bag of salt, and 01 container of minitco. 04 light bunkers 4'x3'x2' with camouflaged. These individuals were observed working in rice fields.	JS	DQ
12.	1018		Stager (5/7 Cav) S-3/Bn S-3: Requests modification of old border box from YU 340440 to YU 340450 west to Cambodian border be given to 5/7 Cav. 1/8 Cav is committed to area of interest. Request answer.	JS	DQ

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13.	1045		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Current locations; A Co-YHSE Betty, B Co-YU 227368, G Co-YU 214259, D Co-WPCON 5/7 Cav at FSB Snuffy, E Co-FSB Betty, E Co Recon platoon-YH 179280 moving west.	JS	KB
14.	1129		Bde S-3/Bn NCS: The blues will be inserted in about 01 hr providing weather conditions are favorable. Bde will give us an up when they are in. Blues tentative insertion time is 1300 hrs. After blues air move, will cont to FSB Betty for the ORF platoon move.	JS	DQ?
1145	15.		Bde S-2 Asst/Bn NCS: UR; YU 037431, 100 meters radius late mornign. XU 898529, vicinity late morning. XU 863529, 400meters radius, late morning.	JS	DQ
16.	1150		Bn S-3(5/7 Cav)/Bn S-3: YU 316508; BDA of Arc lite 0800 hrs 28 Aug 70 at above grid; Enemy kills: 02 killed by artillery, 02 killed by helicopter, 03 killed by air strikes, 01 killed by ARA, destroyed hootches, bunkers, tunnel entrances. Found OD clothes scattered around area suggesting possible direct hit. Found YU 316508 01 north south trail 4 feet wide with heavy recent use in the last 24 hours. YU 315505 found east west trail 4 ft wide with heavy recent use in last 24 hours. Also found		

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<u>16.</u>	<u>1150</u>		<u>Continuation from page 3: evidence of possible 30 to 50 man enemy force in this area which must have evaded after fire power started coming in. Sighted 37MM in area but no trace after sweep of area.</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>DQ</u>
<u>17.</u>	<u>1301</u>		<u>B Co/Bn NCS: YU 227368; Read out of B Co sweep of area, found pools of blood, expended rounds of AK47 ammo. Also found the area where individual were laying on the side of a bomb crater. B Co found marks where O2 individuals were carried away. Enemy evaded in two groups one to the south east, one to the west. The O2 individuals were carried off to the southwest. B Co claims O2 kills in this contact.</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>KB</u>
<u>18.</u>	<u>1312</u>		<u>Aircrafts/Bn NCS: Bounced ARA at 1302 hrs, Medevac at 1302 hrs, completed at 1410 hrs. Medevac #54 standing by at FSB Snuffy. O4 sections of ARA at 1508 hrs, 1520 hrs.</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>KB</u>
<u>19.</u>	<u>1318</u>		<u>Timber 29/Bn NCS: Pink team to work with B Co, 1/8 Cav in their contact area. Work north and northwest, TBS 1330 hrs.</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>KB</u>
<u>20.</u>	<u>1320</u>		<u>Rash 25/Bn NCS: YU 227368; Air strike-O2 sections, ordnance 750 lbs, TBS 1356 hrs, completed at 1350 hrs.</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>KB</u>

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28.	1724		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Lift of A Co, 1/8 Cav from FSB Betty to YU 227368. lift begin at 1613hrs, 1st PA at 1615 hrs, 1st LZ at 1647 hrs, PZ clear at 1711 hrs, number of sorties-18, completed at 1716 hrs, color of LZ & PZ-green/green., remarks-negative.	JS	KB
29.	1745		B Co/Bn NCS: YU 227368; Contact time and type: At 1258 hrs,-direct and indirect fire, broke immediately, At 1302 hrs-indirect and direct broke immediately, At 1306 hrs direct fire broke immediately, At 1315 hrs indirect and direct contact broke at 1319 hrs, At 1328 hrs direct and indirect fire broke at 1330 hrs-all the above received fire from the north, west and south. At 1506 hrs indirect fire on a 240° azimuth about 300 meters out, At 1517 hrs indirect fire from the south-southeast, At 1520 hrs direct fire of small arms broke immediately. B Co received 60MM, RPG, AK47, light automatic; believed enemy force to be a company size. 04 sections of ARA, 05 air strikes 750 lbs napalm and 20MM artillery employed in area. Also a pink team reconning the area. B Co has 03 Line 1-02 killed by mortar, 01 killed by AK. 03 Line 2 which were		

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29.	1745		Continuation from page 6: extracted at 1410 hrs. B Co claims eleven KIA,	JS	JD
30.	1807		Rash 25/Bn NCS: Work in vicinity grid YU 227860, south west about 200 to 300 meters, Rash BSA 1830H.	JS	KB
31.	1815		Bn S-3/Bde S-3: Request status on aircraft that were pulled on C Co extraction. Aircrafts putting blues in area of downed aircraft, suggest you get some of your D Co on Snuffy. Request you lay on a hook for moving of D Co. 5/7 Cav S-3 says they can release 52 people from D Co with negative trouble. Request OZ hooks to bring people th FSB Betty.	JS	JD
32.	1834		Bde S-3/Bn NCS: Cancellation of no fly/no fire box; 4360,4354,4960,4954,4351,4345,4945,4951.	JS	JD
33.	1842		Bn S-3 A1B/Bde S-3: Request night hawk, B Co has heavy movement again. B & NCS to Bde S-3; request night hawk and shadow B Co in contact again. Bn NCS to Bde NCS: Point man for B Co claims 01 NVA KIA at this time, there ate negative friendlies casualties. Bde S-3 to Bn NCS: Shzdown is available if you would like him. Request you bounce like shadow.	JS	JD
34.	1900		Bde S-3/Bn NCS: Request you ask your S-3 if pilots asked him		

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34.	1900		Continuation from page 7: for a release and he gave his permission or they told him they had been pushing for another mission. Bn NCS/Bde S-3; Aircrafts told my S-3 they had be pulled for another mission.	JS	JD
35.	1907		Timber 29/Bn NCS: To go to work for B Co, 1/8 Cav on their internal is aiding B Co as their contact. BSA 1906 hrs, negative BDA.	JS	DB
36.	1908		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Mortar Sit Rep; 1. E-178/143, G-35. 2. E-02, G-01.	JS	JD
37.	1917		Night Hawk/Bn NCS: TOS 1917 hrs to work for B Co, g/8 Cav on their internal push. To assist in search and reconning of area. BSA 1945 hrs.	JS	JD
38.	1920		Bn CO/Bde CO: My B Co had 06 different contacts today starting from the north then shifting to the west and then to the south. Believe we have a NVA Battalion working in this area. 1/8 Cav's A Co found a trail going toward B Co with recent use by approximately 60 individuals. Also men from B Co reported seeing NVA officers going up and down the enemy lines instructing their men. The enemy was using B40, B41 and mortar tubes. These are some of the facts that make me believe this		

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<u>38.</u>	<u>1920</u>		Continuation from page 8: is a Battalion size force. We saw 12 NVA that were killed and believe there were more, we are claiming the 12 we did see fall though. At one time there was an airstrike that went into a mortar position not 60 seconds after the mortar was fired. I feel that we have an efficient force at this time but I will be extracting my B Co and replacing them with my C Co in order to give B Co a rest after having being in the area of contact 36 hours.	<u>JS</u>	<u>JD</u>
<u>39.</u>	<u>1948</u>		B Co/Bn NCS: Reports movement at 1840 hrs. Bounced max at 1840 hrs, max 33I. B Co contact at 1846 hrs contact broke immediately, their point man spotted O1 individual engaged him and killed O1 NVA by small arms. Dressed in blue grey fatigues with negative hits.	<u>JS</u>	<u>DB</u>
<u>40.</u>	<u>1950</u>		Shadow Aircraft/B Co: To work with B Co on their internal to search and recon area. BSA 2045 hrs.	<u>JS</u>	<u>DB</u>
<u>41.</u>	<u>2030</u>		All Units/Bn NCS: Night Locations: A Co-YU 220369. B Co-YU 226367. C Co-YU 215259. D Co-OPCON FSB Snuffy/Betty. E Co-FSB Betty. Recon-YU 169276. Malaria-Green(A,B,C,D,E,Recon). Automatic ambushes: A Co-conducted negative automatic ambushes.		

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Continuation from page 9: B Co conducted negative automatic ambushes. C Co conducted 05 automatic ambushes. D Co conducted negative automatic ambushes. E Co-conducted negative automatic ambushes. Recon conducted negative automatic ambushes. Manned Ambushes: A Co-negative day or night ambushes. B Co-conducted negative manned ambushes at day or night. C Co-conducted negative ambushes at day and 03 at night. D Co conducted negative manned ambushes at day or night. E Co- conducted negative day or night manned ambushes. E Co Recon conducted negative day or night manned ambushes. Dogs: A Co-negative. B Co-01. C Co-negative. D Co-negative. E Co-negative. E Cor Recon-negative. Snipers-A Co-negative. B Co-negative. C Co-01. D Co-01. E co Recon-negative. Day manned ambushes: A Co-negative manned aconducted at day. B Co-negative manned ambushes conducted at day. C Co-negative manned ambushes conducted at day. E Co Recon conducted negative manned ambushe during the day. Night Manned ambushes: A co-conducted negative manned ambushes. at night. G Co-conducted 03 sqd sst manned ambushes at night: sqd-YU 215260, sqd-YU

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41.	2030		Continuation from page 10: 216260, sqd at YU 214259. E Co Recon conducted negative manned ambushes at night.	JS		DB
42.	2051		52 EM All Units/Bn NCS: PDS field. A Co-04 OFF, 18 NCS. B Co-03 OFF, 21 NCO, 51 EM. C Co-04 OFF, 12 NCO, 62 EM. E Co Recon-07 NCO, 19 EM. PDS FSB Betty; Commo-06 NCO, 11 EM. Path Finders: 03 EM. Engineers-01 NCO, 01 EM. HHC & E Co-06 OFF, 16 NCO, 43 EM. Base defense-A Co-47 EM. 105-04 OFF, 15 NCO, 40 EM. 155-04 OFF, 16 NCO, 67 EM.	JS		DB
43.	2110		Bde S-2/Bn NCS: Sensor Activations: 2058 hrs, heavy YU 163429. 2105 hrs, heavy YU 319442.	JS		JD
44.	2115		Bn S-3 Air/Bde S-3 Air: Airstrikes requests for 29 Aug 70; Target 1-LZ Construct at YU 481384, 3 1/2 kilometers to the southeast. Target #2-LZ Construct at YU 463354, 2 1/2 kilometers to the east and west. Target #3-LZ Construct at YU 460431, 10 kilometers to the south. Target #4-LZ Construct at YU 451395, 5 kilometers to the southwest. Ordnance for all four 750 lb daisy cutters.	JS		JD
45.	2115		Bn S-3 Air/Bde S-3 Air: Aircraft requests for 29 Aug 70; (1) O1 UH1H for C/Log aircraft and report to FSB Buttons at 0700 hrs. Contact Reform 15M			

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45.	2115		Continuation from page 11: (Commo Rex) on 38.65. Pickup sortie for FSB BETTY and contact reform (TOG RTQ) on 54.10. Request that aircraft have extra NYN cord, jump gear and protective masks for crews. And request that log aircraft have external cargo hook and protective masks for crew. Log for 29 Aug 70; A Co, Recon, 12 sorties, no set time.	JS	JD
45.	2115		Bn S-3 Aib/Bde S-3 Air@ Air movement for 29 August; C Co will FX/SEC from YU 216260 to FSB Betty. Recon will FX to Sec from YU 169277 to FSB Betty. C Co SEC/SEC from FSB Betty to YU 214367. B Co will SEC/SEC from YU 214367 to FSB Betty. All lifts on UH1H. C Co-87 PAX, 17 sorties. Recon-26 PAX-05 sorties. B Co-75 PAX, 15 sorties. D Co will Sec/Sec from FSB Betty to FSB Snuffy, with 52 PAX, 92 sorties.	JS	JD
46.	2136		Bde S-2/Bn S-2: Would you to have the sensor people at your location for sensor drops/Yes.	JS	JD
47.	2156		Bn S-3/Bde S-3: Final plans for 29 Aug 70; A Co will accept log and conduct a ground reconnaissance to the south, then establish NDP in vicinity grid YU 220370. B Co will conduct sec/sec		

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<u>47</u>	<u>2156</u>		Continuation from page 12: at 1100 hrs from YU 214367 to FSB Betty. Assume base defense at FSB Betty. C Co will conduct fe/sec at 0800 hrs from YU 216260 to FSB Betty and accept log and conduct a sec/sec at 1100 hrs from FSB Betty to YU 214367, then conduct a ground reconnaissance to the northeast then establish NDP in vicinity grid YU 225368. D Co will conduct a sec/sec from FSB Betty to FSB Snuffy. Remain OPCON 5/7 Cav. E Co(-) - base defense at FSB Betty and FSB Buttons. Recon will conduct a fe/sec at 0900 hrs from YU 169277 to FSB Betty and assume base defense at FSB Betty. Snipers 03; 01 base defense at FSB Betty secured by base defense. 01 field secured by C Co. Of R&E.	<u>JS</u>	<u>JD</u>
<u>48</u>	<u>2156</u>		Bn S-3/Bde S-3: Tentative plans for 30 August; A Co will conduct a ground reconnaissance to the north and northwest to vicinity grid YU 220376. B Co will conduct base defense at FSB Betty. C Co will conduct a ground reconnaissance to the north and northeast to vicinity grid YU 228372. D Co will remain OPCON 5/7 Cav. E Co will conduct base defense at FSB Betty and FSB Buttons. E Co Recon will base defense FSB Betty.		

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<u>49</u>	2210		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: From now on ambush reports.				
			Bde needs size of ambush, grid of ambush, distance from company, direction from company in degrees.			JS	JD
<u>50</u>	2240		Bde S-2/Bn S-3: Individuals that came into also have given 02 villagers at YU 225219 and YU 255231.				
			YU 225219 has 09 guerrillas, 05 AK, 03 SKS, 01 M-1, 11 families. YU 255231 has 09 guerrillas, 01 automatic rifles, 07 AK, 01 SKS, 16 families.			JS	JD
<u>51</u>	2317		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: Night Locations; 5/7 Cav; A Co-YU 300340. A Co 2nd plt-FSB Audie. B Co-YU 491350. C Co-YU 313439. C Co 2nd plt-FSB Audie. D Co-YU 452362. E Co-FSB Snuffy. Recon-FSB Snuffy. D Co-1/8 Cav-FSB Snuffy. LRRP #17-YU 387462. 2/12 Cav; A Co-YU 591168. B Co-YU 629107. C Co-FSB Jean. D Co-688140. E Co-Jean.				
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<u>52</u>	2359		DAILY SUMMARY: Air Moves; A Co- air assaulted in YU 227368 to aide B Co exploit contact with estimated company size element. D Co(02 platoons) lifted from FSB Snuffy to FSB Betty. Cache; Negative. Conatcts; B Co at YU 227362 (log pad) had a day long contact with estimated company size force. The enemy employed, 82mm mortar, 60mm mortar, RPG, AK47 and light automatic weapons. B Co employed				
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