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1.	0001		Bde NCS/ <sup>B</sup> n NCS: Journal Open.	JS	KB
2.	0100		All Units/ <sup>B</sup> n NCS: Negative Sit Rep.	JS	KB
3.	0200		All Units/ <sup>B</sup> n NCS: Negative Sit Rep.	JS	KB
4.	0300		All Units/ <sup>B</sup> n NCS: Negative Sit Rep.	JS	KB
5.	0400		All Units/ <sup>B</sup> n NCS: Negative Sit Rep.	JS	KB
6.	0500		All Units/ <sup>B</sup> n NCS: Negative Sit Rep.	JS	KB
7.	0600		All Units/ <sup>B</sup> n NCS: Negative Sit Rep.	JS	KB
8.	0605		Bde NCS/ <sup>B</sup> n NCS: Bde reports negative significant happening in their A/O.	JS	DB
9.	0700		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Status of radar at Margaret is Red (Non-operational), Judie's is green (Operational). Radar at Margaret needs power converter. Margaret received power converter at 1045H. At 1045H still not green, since they need 50' of power cable to get it green. Called Bde and requested 50' power cable at 1125H, and they claim to have negative access to that much power cable. Bde says Margaret's set probably will be red tonight, due to the lack of available cable.	JS	DB
10.	0710		A/C/ <sup>B</sup> n NCS: Log A/C (Desire 740) TOS 0710H. GC A/C (Hang 283) TOS 0703H with negative console.	JS	JM
11.	0715		B/Co/ <sup>B</sup> n NCS: Trips and claymores in at 0715H.	JS	JM

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<u>12.</u>	<u>0720</u>		<u>Bn NCS/A/Co: Make sure <sup>3NYO</sup> calls the IG &amp; AG</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>JM</u>
<u>13.</u>	<u>0721</u>		<u>All Units/<sup>B</sup>n NCS: Upon the Bug (A,B,D,E,HHC).</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>JM</u>
<u>14.</u>	<u>0730</u>		<u>A/Co/Bn NCS: D/Co has 01 individual with bamboo splinter in his eye. They are going to walk to the pad and then request log A/Co or CC A/C to pick him up. Will call when ready.</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>JM</u>
<u>15.</u>	<u>0755</u>		<u>Bn S-3/E/Co Recon: Move to west and check out vicinity grid YU 253128 along river and try to cross river and move southwest. If not move south along the river.</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>JM</u>
<u>16.</u>	<u>0750</u>		<u>Bn S-3/D/Co: They will not be extracted tomorrow, therefore they will draw a three day log today. Sent to A/Co to relay on secure to D/Co.</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>JM</u>
<u>17.</u>	<u>0820</u>		<u>D/Co CO/Bn NCS: Concerning new Kit Carson Program; The program is working real well and these people know what they are doing. The CO said the only thing that sometimes was a problem, is the language barrier. He suggests that two interpreters be used at his location to overcome this barrier. If this was taken care of, the CO stated, he feels the program would improve, however on the whole the program is outstanding.</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>DB</u>

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18.	0915		Bde S-2 Air Asst/ <sup>B</sup> n NCS: (All Grids are YU) Sniffer Box; 1-3723,3727,4623,4627. 4-2705, 2713,3105,3113. 5-1215,1219,1915,1919. VR Bde Scouts: 1-2835,2838,3035,3038. 2-2632,2634,2932, 2934. 3-2231,2234,2431,2434. 4-1727,1729,2027, 2029. 5-2325,2328,2525,2528. 6-1621,1624,1821, 1824. VR C 1/9 Team 1; 1-3430,3730,3432,3732 2-4028,4031,4231,4228. 3-3525,3528,3725,3728 4-4121,4124,4324,4321. 7-3522,3722,3729,3519 8-3116,3118,3418,3416. 9-2718,2720,3020,2018 10-2319,2322,2522,2319. 11-2115,2117,2417,2415.	JS	DB
19.	0916		Bde S-2 Air Asst/Bn NCS: Red Haze to be run at 2200H "Box 18". YU 3019, YU 3919, YU 3010, YU 2910.	JS	DB
20.	1000		All Units/ <sup>B</sup> n NCS: 1000H Correct locations; A/Co-Margaret. B/Co-Judie. C/Co-Bien Hoa VIP. D/Co-CP & 2nd Plt-YU 297247, 3rd plt-YU 303250, 1st plt-YU 291256. E/Co-Judie, Recon-YU 260125.	JS	DG
21.	1036		Hunter Killer Team/ <sup>B</sup> n NCS: "Credit 23" Call Sign; Hunter killer team TOS 1036H, B/wants to free fire in box YU 2025, YU 2625, YU 2630, YU 2030. Clearance given by S-3 Asst.	JS	DG
22.	1200		All Units/Bn NCS: 1200H locations; All following grids are YU; A/Co-Margaret. B/Co-Judy. C/Co-		

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22.	1200		Continuation from page 3: Bien Hoa VIP. D/Co- OP, 2nd plt-YU 297247, 1st plt-YU 291256, 3rd Plt-YU 303250. E/Co-Judy, Recon-YU 259128.	JS	DB
23.	1210		Fac A/C/Bn NCS: Rash 29 TOS 1210; LZ construct YU 290160, 2 clicks clearance given by S-3 Asst, ETA of fighter 1230H. Rash 29 broke station at 1250H. Time completed 1245H. BDA 1 to 2 shipper.	JS	DB
24.	1240		Bn S-2/Bde S-2: At 1240H requested a minimum of 20' of power cable from Bde to make the radar set at Margaret green (Operational). Bde S-2 said he would try to get us the cable and let us know what he can do. At 1340H Margaret says the CI is out and there is a burn on cable. Called to Bde at 1340H.	JS	DB
25.	1340		Hunter Killer Team/Bn NCS: Credit 28 TOS 1340H, broke station at 1455H. To work between Mar- garet and Lolita, also to the south and ground contact D/Co. Findings after VR 1455H; YU 295249 northsouth trail 24" wide with negative direction, and moderate use. YU 286257 found 01 hootch (10'x30'), 04 bunkers (8'x10'), 03 hootch frames (10'x20') with moderate use. YU 294260 10 hootches (10'x30'), 10 bunkers		

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25.	1340		Continuation from page 4: (8'x10')-half of the hootches and bunkers had heavy use, the other half had negative recent use. YU 298286 found northwest-southeast trail 24" wide with moderate use and negative direction. YU 307270 found 24" wide Eastwest trail with moderate use, and negative direction. Trail crosses 8'x10' wooden bridge with moderate use on bridge. YU 295260 found 05 bunkers (8'x10) with moderate use. YU 299288 found 01 hootch (10'x10') with negative recent use. YU 304255 found 01 hootch (30' x30'), 20 bunkers (8'x10') with heavy use in the area. Also found 01 northsouth trail 24" wide with moderate use, and negative direction. YU 301385 found 01 northeast and southwest trail (24" wide) with moderate recent use, and negative direction. YU 298262 found 24" wide northsouth trail with moderate recent use and negative direction of travel.	JS	DB
26.	(Late Entry) 1385		All Units/Bn NCS: 1400H Locations; A/Co-FSB Margaret. B/Co-FSB Judie. C/Co-VIP (Bien Hoa). D/Co-1sr plt-YU 290250, 3rd plt-YU 305247, CP YU 298249. E/Co-Judie. Recon-YU 257130.	JS	JA

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27.	1500		Bde S-2/Bn NCS: Challenge Response for 16 Apr 70-Upper-Mote.			JS	JM
28.	1530		Bn S-3 Air/Bde S-3 Air NCO. Request for A/C for 17 Apr 70; CC A/C-report to Buttons at 0700H and contact Guard 72R on 47.05, then report to Judie, and contact Guard 47 on 32.45. Log A/C reported to Buttons at 0700H and contact 72R on 47.05, receive further instructions at Buttons.			JS	JM
29.	1530		Bn S-3 Air/Bde S-3 Air NCO: Request for A/C for 17 April to move from Margaret to Judie. Time 1000H; CH 47 Hook-06 sorties of PSP, 01 sortie of Pax. 01, 01 sortie of small arms, 01 sortie of concertina wire and misc cel, 01 sortie of chain link fence and miscel, total of 10 sorties. Request for A/C for 17 April to move from Margaret to Buttons at 1000H. CH 47 Hook; 01 sortie of connec and miscel, 01 sortie with mile and miscel, total of 02 sorties.			JS	JM
30.	1620		Bde S-2/Bn NCS: Enemy elements-YU 325236, 700 meters radius late afternoon, YU 122300 250 meter radius late afternoon, 05x175mm fired from Buttons			JS	JM
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<u>31.</u>	<u>1715</u>		<u>Bn NCS/Bde NCS: 1/8 Cav A/O (ALL grids YU); A/Co-FSB Margaret. B/Co-FSB Judie. C/Co-Bien Hqs. D/Co-YU (297249), 75-YU 302240, E/Co-Judie, 02 mortar section at Margaret. E/Co Recon- YU 252127.</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>JM</u>
<u>32.</u>	<u>1750</u>		<u>Bde S-3/Bn NCS: There will be negative move from FSB Margaret to FSB Judie. 1/8 will move to FSB Lolita. 2/12 will establish an IZ at YU 4522. General plan is for moves south of Audie to explore area again.</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>JM</u>
<u>33.</u>	<u>1811</u>		<u>Bn NCS/Bde NCS: FSB Judie; CC released at 1730H. Log A/C released at 1725H.</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>OR</u>
<u>34.</u>	<u>1818</u>		<u>Bn NCS/Bde NCS: FSB Margaret and Judie; PDS FSB Margaret. Base Defense 71 EM, NCO 21, 04 OP- ficers, E/Co-01 EM, 06 NCO, 105-43 EM, 13 NCO, 05 officers. FSB Judie; HHC &amp; E/Co-39 EM, 27 NCO, 10 Officers. Base defense-97 EM, 28 NCO, 4 Officers. 155-54 EM, 9 NCO, 4 Officers. Ammo Count at Margaret-HE (535), WP (10), Illumination(576).</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>JM</u>
<u>35.</u>	<u>1820</u>		<u>Bn NCS/Bde NCS: 1/8 Cav A/O; Sniper Report; A/Co-02 FSB Margaret. B/Co-01 FSB Judie. C/Co-01 Bien. D/Co-01 field. E/Co-01 field. HHC 01 Judie.</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>JM</u>

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36.	1821		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Exposure Report; D/Co's 1st sortie at 1040H, last at 1140H, started at 1015H, ended at 1150H, number of sorties-03, remarks log.	JS	JM
37.	1819		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Ambush Report: Negative day ambushes for 1/8 Cav; Negative ambushes for A/Co at night. Negative ambushes for B/Co at night. Negative ambushes for C/Co at night. 05 automatic ambushes for D/Co at night. 02 automatic ambushes for E/Co at night.	JS	OR
38.	1824		Bde S-2 Air/Bn NCS: URS YU 298460, 250 meters radius late afternoon.	JS	JM
39.	1830		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: FSB Margaret; Radar set at FSB Margaret is operational. A/C brought out new radar set to replace the non-operational set at FSB Margaret. Big eafs also operational at 1830H.	JS	JM
40.	1920		E/Co Recon Plt/Bn NCS: E/Co request that we inform Bn S-4 that they would like an afternoon log. Also request that the CC Bird aid them in finding a log pad on 17 Apr in the morning.	JS	OR
41.	1935		S-2 Air/Bn NCS: FT 1257 activated 1927H, medium by YU 355297.	JS	JM
42.	1945		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: (All Grids YU), 1/12, A/Co-090105.		

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42.	1945		Continuation from page 8: 2-YU 116057. B/Co-104168, 1-116161, 3-097163. C-Buttons, 2-Thomas. D/Co-098127, 2-130114, 3-137026. E/ Co-Buttons, Recon-187070, 2nd sqd-143134. 2/12, A/Co-ESB Joan, B/Co-434172. G/Co-328060, 1-318050, 2-353056. D/Co-431134. E/Co-Joan. Recon Team #1-394113. 1&2-381100, 3-388120, 4-388100. Sniper team-388100, 214-Joan.	JS	JM
43.	2000		Bn S-3 Air/Bde S-3 Air: Air strike for 18 Apr; (1) LZ Construct YU 334238, 750 lbd daisy cutter, nearest friendlies 3K west. (2) LZ construct YU 350224, 750 lb daisy cutter nearest friendlies 5K west.	JS	JM
44.	2025		Bde S-2 NCO Air/Bn NCS: Vicinity Red Haze Boxes 18 and 19: Bde informed 1/8 Cav that a Photo bird will fly in vicinity of Red Haze boxes 18 and 19 grids YU 3019,4919,4910,3010 at approximately 2150H?.	JS	OR
45.	2100		Bde S-3/Bn S-3: Pending moves as of 162100H: D-Day (18th or 19th)-depends upon <sup>CU-47, UH1H</sup> <del>book status</del> commitments by Div. 1/8 Cav-Margaret and Lolita. C 1/21 Artillery-Margaret to Buttons. A 1/77-Buttons to Lolita. D: 2/12 Cav-Joan to vicinity		

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45.	2100		Continuation from page 9: (YU 4522). B+ 1/30 Arty-Joan to Lolita. C+ 1/77-Joan to LZ vicinity 4522. D+2, B 1/30 Arty-Buttons 155's to vicinity grid 4522. A/Co 2/12 Cav- <sup>d</sup> utie to Buttons. -Judie to be retrograde completely. -Joan to be retrograde completely. - 1/8 Cav to move infantry companies to vicinity Lolita (ASAP). -2/12 to start moving companies into Lolita's Artillery Range. Lolita will probably not be covered for 1st night. All air strike for 17 Apr 70 diverted to vicinity 4522. LZ construct. A/Co 1/77 Arty-go to Lolita (possibly) this would be first choice) on B 1/20 possibly to Lolita, also C/1-21 Arty will go to Buttons.	JS	JM
46.	2126		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: SOI Changes: 43E-3, 5/7 Cav; A/Co "Firm Hims" 63.80 to 55.60. B/Co "Collins Trogger" from 63.70 to 53.40. C/Co "Stuffy Trick" from 42.25 to 50.80. 45G-3, 2/8 Cav: 1-1 "Still Khifer" Command Alternate 31.10 to 49.55. A/L 60.90 to 31.20. D/Co "Pointy Ticker" from 51.60 to 53.00. 48A-3, 27 Maintenance Battalion, (Detachment) "Racah Radish" Command push for A.M. hours to 12.108.	JS	JM

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47.	2131		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Medevac request: Conduct of Judie control (30.65). Sitdown pad, Urgent, Appendicitis-patient is ambulatory.-Medevac completed at 2145H. Patient (B/Co), Roster # 13, SSG H.J. Weintraub.	JS	JM
48.	2155		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: 1/8 Cav; Plans for 1/8 Cav for 17 April; A/Co-Base Defense at FSB Margaret. B/Co-Base Defense at FSB Judie. C/Co-VIP Center at Bien Hoa. D/Co(-) will ground recon to vicinity grid YU 327236, then establish NDP. 1st platoon will ground recon to vicinity grid YU 323242, then establish NDP. 3rd platoon will ground recon vicinity grid YU 330231, then establish NDP. E/Co Recon platoon will ground recon to vicinity grid YU 261110, then establish NDP.	JS	JM
49.	2156		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Tentative plans for 1/8 Cav for 18 Apr 70; A/Co-Base defense at FSB Margaret. B/Co-Base Defense FSB Judie. C/Co-Return to Buttons by fixed wing. A/G from VIP center. Conduct Sec/CA from Buttons to Lolita at time TBA, secure Lolita. D/Co(-) will ground recon to vicinity grid YU 344237, then establish NDP. 1st platoon will ground recon to vicinity grid YU 342246, then		

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49.	2156		Continuation from page 11: establish NDP. 3rd platoon of D/Co will ground recon to vicinity grid YU 347229, then establish NDP. E/Co recon will ground recon to vicinity grid YU 260093, then establish NDP.	JS	JM
50.	2157		D/Co/Bn NCS: FSB Margaret; D/Co request a Hunter Killer team to report first light on 17 April, reason for request, D/Co 73(3rd plt) had heavy movement 200 meter to the southeast from their location (grid YU 302240).	JS	JM
51.	2305		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: 2/9 ARVN have 1 company taking a ground attack in the vicinity of Bu Dop/Bu Duc at this time.	JS	KB
52.	2359		Bn Asst S-3/Log; Daily Summary; Negative Contact today; Negative air moves today. Significant events; 2100H received frag ord for move Judie/Margaret to Lolita.	JS	BP
53.	2400		Bn NCS/Log: Journal Closed.	JS	JM

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