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1.	0001		Bn NCS/Log: Journal Open.	JS	JM
2.	0100		All Units/Bn NCS: Negative Sit Rep.	JS	JM
3.	0145		Asst S-3/Bde NCS: A/Co-YU 3729 to YU 4129 to YU 4126, YU 3726, Back to YU 3729, B/Co-YU 330 south to YU 3326 east to YU 341260. Follow river east to YU 353270 then east to YU 3627, north to YU 3630, back to YU 3330, C/Co-Base Defense D/Co-YU 3125 south to river, follow river to YU 3122, east to YU 3522 north to YU 3525. Back to YU 3125. E/Co Recon Platoon-YU 470253 south to YU 3723, east to YU 4023, north to YU 400258. Back along stream to YU 270253.	JS	DB
4.	0156		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: YU 237224; FY 1005, medium activation 36 105's fired 0044H.	JS	KB
5.	0200		All Units/Bn NCS: Negative Sit Rep.	JS	KB
6.	0255		Bde S-2/Bn NCS: YU 214250; FY 1340, time 0247H, YU 214250 with heavy active 54 105's fired at 0300H.	JS	JM
7.	0300		All Units/Bn NCS: Negative Sit Rep.	JS	KB
8.	0400		All Units/Bn NCS: Negative Sit Rep.	JS	JM
9.	0500		All Units/Bn NCS: Negative Sit Rep.	JS	JM
10.	0600		All Units/Bn NCS: Negative sit Rep.	JS	JM
11.	0600		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: Bde report negative significant happenings in the Bde A/O.	JS	DB

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12.	0706		Bn S-3/A/Co: Small A/O Box YU 3726 east along YU 2641 line north to 29 west to 37, then south to the 37 line again. Work your way through with good clover leaves due east YU 3826 on top of high ground found bridges and trails so work east in that vicinity.	JS	JM
13.	0700		S-3/E/Co Recon: A/O for them to work in from stream at YU 370255 south to YU 3723, to east YU 4023 north to YU 400258 look along stream to YU 370253. A/Co moving east to YU 3826 keep in mind.	JS	KB
14.	0710		O/Co/Bn NCS: Trips and claymores in at 0710H.	JS	JM
15.	0715		All Units/Bn NCS: Upon the pill (A,B,C,D,EHHG).	JS	JM
16.	0757		Bde S-2 Air NCO/Bn NCS: YU 401228; URS YU 401228, early morning vicinity. Passed to recon 0915H 20 April 1970.	J	JM
17.	0815		Bde S-2 Air/Bn NCS: (All following grids YU); Sniffer ^B ox C 1/9 VR: 1-3236, 3536, 3534, 3234. 2-3735, 4035, 4033, 3733. 3-4032, 4332, 4330, 4030. 4-3730, 3930, 3927, 3727. 5-3329, 3629, 3627, 3327. 6-2826, 3026, 3023, 2823. 7-3225, 3425, 3422, 3222. 8-3624, 3924, 3922, 3622. 9-3521, 3721, 3718, 3518. 10-2518, 2818, 2816, 2516. 12-2413, 2713, 2711, 2411. 13-2116, 2316, 2313, 2113. Bde Scouts VR: 10-1420, 1620.		

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17.	0815		Continuation from page 2: 1617, 1417, 11-1821, 2121, 2119, 1819, 12-2324, 2524, 2521, 2321, 13-2026, 2326, 2324, 2024, 14-2032, 2232, 2229, 2029, 15-2732, 3032, 3030, 2730, Sniffer; 6-2716, 3116, 3108, 2708, 7-2822, 3722, 3718, 2818, 9-3928, 4728, 4724, 3924.	JS	DB
18.	0837		Bn NCS/Bde S-3: Weekly Sniper report for period 120001Apr to 182400Apr 70: Line B/-07, line C-05, line D - 07, line E-0, line F0.	JS	DB
19.	0840		A/C/BnNCS: CC Desire 173 TOS 0705H.	JS	JM
20.	0900		Bde S-2 Air NCO/Bn NCS: YU 2834, YU 2830, YU 3530, YU 3534 changed at 1346h. Request for shadow box above grids, negative clearance given due to E/Co Recon moving down into area.	JS	DB
21.	0913		Bde S-2 Air/Bn NCS: YU 2026, 2726, 2022; Shadow box to start at 2000H, 20 Apr 70, clearance given by S-3 Asst at 0913H. Shadow box grid YU 2026, 2726, 2722, 2022.	JS	DB
22.	0955		Bn NCS/Bde S-2 Air: Status of Radar at Judie (Green), at Lolita (Green).	JS	DB
23.	1015		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Plans for 21 April for 1/8 Cav, A/Co will ground recon to vicinity grid YU 392178, then establish NDF. B/Co(-) conduct sec/sec hook move from Judie to Nguyen Trai at time TBA.		

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23.	1015		Continuation from page 3. Following the hook move, 1st platoon B/Co will conduct FE/Sec from Judie to Nguyen Trai. B/Co will then ground recon to vicinity grid YU 354273, then establish NDP. C/Co -Base Defense at Nguyen Trai. D/Co will ground recon to vicinity grid YU 337227, then establish NDP. E/Co Recon will ground recon to vicinity grid YU 396233, then establish NDP.	JS	DB
24.	1015		All Units/Bn NCS: (All grids are YU prefix) Current locations; A/Co-374267. B/Co-Judie. C/Co-Lolita. D/Co-1st plt-310244, CP, 2nd plt-311244, 3rd plt-313246. E/Co(-)-Lolita, recon-381253.	JS	DG
25.	1045		E/Co Recon/Bn NCS: YU 381253; 02 bunkers 5'x7' x4' 1 1/2' overhead cover, negative recent use. 01 cache Rack 10'x15' looks like it has been used in the last 6 weeks. Also 30 meters south is a trail 8' wide looks like some mechanical units has used it.	JS	DG
26.	1050		Fixer 10/Bn NCS: Hunter killer team VR & Free fire TOS 1050H, YU 2325, YU 2521, YU 2321, YU 2525, clearance given by RC. Negative findings broke station at 1140H.	JS	JM
27.	1100		D/Co Co/Bn NCS: YU 311244; D/Co found in a north south dry creek bed 01 blood trail approximately		

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27.	1100		Continuation from page 4: 2 days old. The blood trail ran south-north for 50 meters in length and led to 01 NVA KIA by small arms. Individuals had short haircut with green fatigues. Negative weapon, pack or documents.	JS	DG
28.	1140		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Change in company's A/O; B/Co. A/O is as follows from YU 3330 south to YU 3326 east to 3326 east to YU 341260, follow the river east to YU 353270, then east to YU 3627 north to YU 3630, back to YU 3330 to begin immediately.	JS	DB
29.	1215		Rash 06/Bn NCS: YU 330248; Pac A/C TOS 1218 to put in LZ construct at YU 330248. Off station at 1325H. BDA 03 1 shipper LZ would be better with a little more chopping.	JS	DG
30.	1325		Bde S-3/Bn S-3: Bde S-3 informed Bn S-3 that he was free to discuss tactical situations as he see fit. Bn S-3 can also discuss missions and any questions he wishes to answer. The Bde PIO will be the censor of any questions to be asked.	JS	DB
31.	1400		Fixer 10/Bn NCS: Hunter Killer team TOS 1400H, Free fire and VR in Box YU 2026, YU 2024, YU 2324, YU 2326. Clearance given by S-3 Asst; Broke. Negative knowledge.	JS	DG

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32.	1405		All Units/Bn NCS: Current locations 1405H; A/C ⁰ -YU 381266. B/Co-Judie. C/Co-Lolita. D/Co-YU 314244. E/Co(-)-Lolita, recon-YU 384254.	JS	DG
33.	1415		Bn NCS/Bde S-2 Air NCO: 2 1/2 ton truck arrived at Buttons 1140H, 01 sortie class 5 at 1340H, 01 sortie class 5 at 1355H.	JS	DB
34.	1510		Bde S-3/Bn NCS: YU 2331; Cobra of Brigade scouts is down vicinity YU 2331. C/Co 1/8 Cav's 1st plt will provide QRF. 1/8 will also have ready reaction force. 1/9 Blues have been inserted. A/C redlighted made a safe landing. Crew was extracted by LOH.	JS	JM
35.	1540		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: YU 242318; C/Co 1/9 has requested a 6000 meter box from center mass of alone. 1/8 grants a free fire box in grid YU 2838, 2836, 1826, 1828.	JS	JM
36.	1543		Bn S-3/Bde S-3: YU 308258; 1/8 C/C A/C has taken ground to air fire at above grid. Both door gunners were wounded. The bird is down and non-operational at FSB Lolita. Door gunners have been medevaced by 1/8 log bird A/C. A replacement has been requested. 1/8 FO was in our craft preparing to call in artillery when C/C received small arms fire and automatic		
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36.	1543		Continuation from page 6: weapons fire. Probably from a light machine gun. ^{CORRECTED FROM ABOVE.} One door gunner and one pilot was hit, both were on the right side of aircraft, for a total of two wounded.	JS	JM
37.	1545		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Change in plans for D/Co 1/8 Cav for 20 April 1970: Conduct ground recon to vicinity grid YU 308258, then establish NDP.	JS	DG
38.	1555		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Change in D/Co A/O; The D/Co A/O is now from YU 2924, YU 3224, YU 3227, YU 2927, reason for this change is A/O is exploit of ground to air fire at vicinity grid YU 308258.	JS	DG
39.	1612		C 1/9 A/C/Bn NCS YU 308258; Rash 29 on station to put in air strike in vicinity of YU 308258 where CC Bird took ground to air fire earlier.		
			MOS 1612H. Ordinance 500 lb napalm. Rash 20 on station at 1627H to take 29 place to put in same air strike.	J	OR
40.	1636		Desire 141/Bn NCS Desire 141 replacement for C/C A/C on station at POI and for hot chow at Song Be.	JS	OR
41.	1643		D/Co 1/8/Bn NCS: Found a trail running east west at YU 315242. Trail is 01m wide, 02 to 03 days old. D/Co set up 02 A/A on trail.	JS	OR

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42.	1646		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: YU 308258; Expenditures on ground to air fire; 280 - 105 fired, 170 - 155 fired. 01 AFA section (2 birds) totally expended, 01 air strike (2 planes) expended (napalms).	JS	JM
43.	1710		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: FSB Lolita; A/C C/C that was shot up has been hooked out of Lolita by CH-47.	JS	JM
44.	1911		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: All Units; Negative day ambush. 03 automatic ambushes for A/Co at night. Negative ambushes at night for B/Co. Negative ambushes at night for C/Co. 02 automatic ambushes for D/Co at night. E/Co Recon conducted 03 automatic ambushes.	JS	OR
45.	1912		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: All Units; A/Co-02 field. B/Co-01 FSB Judie. C/Co-01 FSB Lolita (Nguyeh Trai). D/Co-01 in field. E/Co-01 in field. HHC-01 FSB Judie.	JS	OR
46.	1910	FSB	Bn NCS/Bde NCS: All Units; A/Co-YU 381265. B/Co-FSB Judie. C/Co-FSB Lolita. D/Co-YU 315242. E/Co(-)-FSB Lolita, 02 mortar section FSB Judie. E/Co-YU 387254.	JS	OR
47.	1915		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: Closing (All YU); 1/12, A/Co-088052, 2-113062, 1-070060. B/Co-107170, 10108172. C/CO-Thomas. D/Co-154169, 3-156157. E/Co-Buttons, Recon-228112, LRRPS-058049, 2/12, A/Co-Mirisa, B-421172, C-455230, D-437138, E-464122	JS	JM

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48.	1938		Bde S-2 Air/Bn NCS: YU 284308; FY 1923H, activation medium.	JS	JM
49.	2020		Bde S-3 Air/Bn NCS: YU 350224; Air strike 750 lb daisy cutter 211100H April 1970.	JS	JM
50.	2020		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: ALL Units; PDS FSB Judie; Base Defense-88 EM, 30 NCO, 05 Officers. 155-48 EM, 12 NCO, 03 Officers. E/Co- 11 EM, 9 NCO, PDS FOR FSB Lolita (Nguyen Trai) HHC & E/Co- 45 EM, 26 NCO, 10 Officers. Base Defense 17 EM, 20 NCO, 03 Officers. 105-43 EM, 13 NCO, 04 Officers. 155-39 EM, 08 NCO, 04 Officers.	JS	JM
51.	2055		Bn S-3 Air/Bde S-3 Air: Request for A/C for 21 Apr 70; Sec/Sec hook move for B/Co(-) and one mortar section of E/Co plus radar equipment. 5 hook sorties, pax, radar and equipment, 81mm mortars. PZ control, LZ contact Nguyen Trai control.	JS	JM
52.	2055		Bn S-3 Air/Bde S-3 Air: Request for air strike for 21 Apr 70; CG A/C report to Buttons at 0700H and contact Guard 72R on 47.05, the come to Nguyen Trai and contact Guard 47 on 32.45. Log A/C report to Buttons at 0700H and contact Guard 72R on 47.05, and received further instructions.	JS	JM

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53.	2128		Bde S-2 Air/Bn NCS: YU 296219; FY 1123 activated 2119H.	JS	JM
54.	2145		Bn S-3 Air/Bde S-3 Air: Request for air strike for 22 Apr 70; (1) LZ construct YU 385231, 750 lbs daisy cutter, nearest friendlies 2K north. (2) LZ construct YU 400246, 750 daisy cutter, nearest friendlies 2K northwest.	JS	JM
55.	2150		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Change of company A/O for B/Co, 1/8 Cav; B/Co A/O is from grid YU 3226, east to YU 341260 follow river east to grid YU 353270, east to YU 3627, north to YU 3629, west to YU YU 3229 and south to YU 3226.	JS	JM
56.	2151		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Plans for 21 April 1970; A/Co will ground recon to vicinity grid YU 391266, then establish NDP. B/Co-following move of 155 of off Judie, B/Co(-) Nguyen Trai. Then the 2nd platoon will conduct FIE/Sec from Judie to Nguyen Trai. B/Co will then ground recon to vicinity grid YU 356270, then establish NDP. C/Co-Base defense FSB Nguyen Trai. D/Co will ground recon to vicinity YU 308259, then establish NDP. E/Co(-)-Base defense FSB Nguyen Trai. E/Co Recon-will ground recon to vicinity grid YU 392253, then establish NDP.	JS	JM

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57.	2152		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Tentative plan for 1/8 Cav for 22 April 1970; A/Co will ground recon to vicinity grid YU 401267, then establish NDP. B/Co will ground recon to vicinity grid YU 385270, then establish NDP. C/Co-Base Defense FSB Nguyen Trai. D/Co- will conduct through area recon vicinity 308258, then establish NDP. E/Co(-)-Base Defense FSB Nguyen Trai. E/Co Recon-will ground recon to vicinity grid YU 397246, then establish NDP.	JS	JM
58.	2338		Bde NCS/n NCS: SOI Changes; 45G-3 stell, 32.30 to 32.20. 48A-3 B/Co sleepy armor 61.75 to 46.40. 48C - LZB Guard Carolyn C.G.A. 58.85, 229.4 UHF, Song Be 54.45, 228.4 UHF.	JS	KB
59.	2348		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: Black horse splash at time above.	JS	KB
60.	2359		Bn Asst S-3/Log: Daily Summary; Negative contact today; Negative air moves today; Significant events; D/Co found 01 NVA KIA from contact previously, total; 08 NVA KIA. HHC: CC A/C took ground cock AIR fire at 1543H. Right door gunner and right pilot were wounded (medevaced by log A/C), CC A/C hooked out of Lolita bu CH-47.	JS	JM

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