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UNIT OR INSTALLATION		LOCATION		PERIOD COVERED			
1st Bn. 8th Cav		FSB Ellen		FROM		TO	
				HR	DATE	HR	DATE
				0001	9 Dec 69	2400	9 Dec 69
ITEM NO.	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN		INITIALS	
	IN	OUT					
1.	0001		Journal opened	JS		JB	
2.	0048		Slar reading tot 0020H, 930140 1 near river				
			Arty notified	JS		DF	
3.	0100		Neg sit rep	JS		JB	
4.	0200		Neg sit rep	JS		DF	
5.	0300		Neg sit rep	JS		DF	
6.	0400		Neg sit rep	JS		DF	
7.	0500		Neg sit rep	JS		DF	
8.	0600		Neg sit rep	JS		DF	
9.	0620		CC Snoopy 334 tos 0725H, log bird Ghost Rider				
			743 tos 0725, broke station 1710H	JS		DF	
10.	0705		Trips and claymores in, first light check out				
			First light check in at 0750H, with findings				
			of 1 break in 3rd wire in front of bunker				
			ten, NW side of perimeter	JS		JB	
11.	0710		All units up on the bug	JS		JB	
12.	0755		Saber 28 tos 0755H working grid 0499, 0815H				
			044998, 2 garden plots 24 hrs use and 2 8x10				
			hootches last 7 days by 4-6 ind. broke station 0825H, JS			JB	
13.	0841		Rash 35 tos 0840H to make target at 967115, for				
			sabre team cleared on target friendlies 5K				
			NW	JS		JB	
14.	0855		Commerders conference at 1000H 9 Dec canceled	JS		JR	
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15.	0910		A/S request 002081 bunkers, 079051 30 bunkers 983033, LZ construct, 928112 Sky Spot nearest friendlies #K north 15 bunkers base camp serges Jungle highway 9 Dec	JS	JR
16.	0920		Request medevac for D Co stand by 4 rigid litters 1 arm, & 1 leg left, 1 head wound and back blast from Claymore, request 2 dextran as precaution, 4 jungle penetrator, med 3 ETA 15 min 3300 to 1300H, 5 WIA picked up by Sabre 15(10H) medevaced 1 litter and 5 ambulatory complete 1315H, 02 light wound still at Ellen,	JS Bde	RB
17.	0935		VIP arriving at Ellen, 1330H Flint Gloss 0-10 1400-Ross on asst, C6 macv, will come early at 1315H to 1340H 9 Dec, needs S-3 and S-2 briefing and tour of Ellen, Did not arrive	JS Bde	JR
18.	0938	38	0938H at 916134 D Co in contact with 10-15 ind S/A 2 ind in trees fire came from S-SE&SW at 75m enemy initiated fire 0940H arty employed as blocking fire and max on station 0945H con- tact broke 1010H. enemy evaded S, 0959 D 16 in stay behind ambush popped ambush on 5-7 ind at 916137 bunker complex recieved S/A & B-40 fire from N range 25-35 m enemy evaded N		

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			8 US WIA 4 will be medevaced from field, 4 stay at FSB. D Co 36 in sweep of 1st contact area found 2 new bunkers and 3 old bunkers all 8x10x3, 3' OHC, were occupied this morning 2 bodies in bunkers killed by small arms, green fatigues neg weapons, fresh haircuts, 1 poncho 1 helmet, 1 machete. D Co 16 found in sweep of contact area 916137 1 body green fatigues fresh haircut, neg weapon, killed by small arms, 2 documents, 2 heavy blood trails lead- ing to North, resulting in 2 NVA KIA, total enemy casualties 05 KIA from both contacts. Final results on D Co contact initiated 0940 contact broke 1010 hrs final sweep of the con- tact area revealed 11 NVA KIA, plus 2 bodies killed by arty, in last 48 hr, total 13 NVA KIA 8 US WIA, 6 evac to 15th Med, 2 moderate WIA, 4 light WIA, 2 US WIA remained on FSB Ellen, break out of NVA KIA D Co 16 in ambush of bunker area destroyed by company on morning of 9 Dec 5 NVA KIA, D Co 36 in their contact of 9 Dec 6 NVA KIA, 2 KIA by Arty, total 13 NVA KIA	JS Bde	JB		
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19.	0950		Request Pink team for D Co sabre 28 tos 1250H at D Co 920134 broke 1340H.	JS	RB
20.	1050		Sabre blues at 1200 yu 005205, request that Big Duke gives a QRF B/Co 36	JS	JR
21.	1100		A-017964, B-Ellen, C-Quan Loi, D-916137, E- Ellen, 16-opcon 1/7.	JS Bde	JR
22.	1105		Log bird Ghost Rider 743 took 20-30 rds, of S/A at 9208, vic FT Granite alt 2700 ft, speed 80 knots neg hits, Arty fired in area 105mm 54 rds, A/S wnet in at 1220 hrs	JS Bde	JR
23.	1120		A/S to go in on G/A fire at 920080 Rash 21 tos 1150 for A/S complete 1220 neg assessment	JS	RR
24.	1125		D/Co line 2's, #18 Gorre, Marcell, 7305 E-5 #23 Ketcham, Donald T, 1734, E-5, #25 Stanley, David 1175 E-5 #51 Partish, Christopher 8241 E-4, #125 Perky Arlyn W 0255, E-3, #134 Smith Kenneth D, 5111, E-3, #130, Schmidt James, 2993 E-3,	JS Bde	RB
25.	1250		Sabre Blues inserted 1200H, yu 005205, LZ green extracted 1555 hrs neg significant findings	JS	JR
26.	1315		Request 3 air lifts for 10 Dec	JS	JR
27.	1320		Killer spade 174 physops work with D/Co work- ing 9497 1410H, broke station 1430	JSJ	JR

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<u>28.</u>	<u>1330</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>A-020968, 36-011970, B-Ellen, C-Quan Loi, D-920134, E-Ellen 16-opcon 17</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>JR</u>
<u>29.</u>	<u>1520</u>		<u>Final plans for 10 Dec</u>	<u>JS Bde</u>	<u>JR</u>
<u>30.</u>	<u>1600</u>		<u>D Co readout on documents found along side a bunker at 916134 memorandum by 85RQG Political officer, Nguyen Tang subject management of supplies, finances and necessity to avoid corruption dated 22 Aug 69, All reports to be submitted to B-2 mentions T10, A2, K6, V4, X9 T8 A8, unit 2, K50, SL5, 7 letters of introduction unit identified 532 Bn, 432 Bn 532 Bn,</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>EW</u>
<u>31.</u>	<u>1710</u>		<u>Pink team requested for 1st Light of D/Co tomorrow</u>	<u>JS Bde</u>	<u>RR</u>
<u>33.</u>	<u>1801</u>		<u>Last light check had neg findings</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>RR</u>
<u>34.</u>	<u>1805</u>		<u>A-014973, B-Ellen, C-Quan Loi, D-922132, E-Ellen, 16-opcon 1/7, QRF-B/Co 16, RRF B/Co Hatchet report Day night plt--2 2 day--0 1</u>	<u>JS Bde</u>	<u>JR</u>
<u>32.</u>	<u>1800</u>		<u>Sniffer box tot 1500H to 1516, 9893, 0293, 0289, 9889, engaged by cobra</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>JR</u>
<u>35.</u>	<u>2050</u>		<u>Tent plans for 11 Dec 69 sent in to Bde</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>SH</u>
<u>36.</u>	<u>2140</u>		<u>Fy 0667 964976, 2040H medium act. 18 105mm rds fired, arty notified</u>	<u>JS</u>	<u>DF</u>

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