

JOURNAL OR DUTY OFFICER'S LOG  
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1.	0001		Bn 65: Journal Opend. Negative Sit Rep (0100, 0200, 0300, 0400, 0500, 0600H).	JS		JR
2.	0020		Bde 95: After 1400H, on 9 Mar our log bird will be utilized for 2nd Brigade moves.	JS		JR
3.	0415		Bde 255: Plans for B2 Co, 8th ARVN include moving to 403229 and 409255. He thought this was in our A/O extension and wondered whether it had reverted back to 8th ARVN. Told him no because we were to approach area from new direction to see whether we could develop situation. Told him we would check back by 0800 to effect any coordination required.	JS		EW
4.	0520		Bde 84G: Black Duke 84G again requested serial no. of radar set/serial no. is 212. We had previously sent in same information on 8 Mar 1700H./ Summary of activities from 2100 8 Mar to 0600 09 Mar 70 (Negative activities).	JS		JM
5.	0700		28: Final Plans sent to A - B - C for 9 Mar 70. A/C move to grid 435250. B/C moving to south check stream bed on east side. C/C will check bunker complex, then to #436342 northwest to #420360, or to the east #460300, check and then to the south.	JS		JR

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6.	0710		D/Go: Trips and claymores in at 0710H. First light check out at 0710H. First light check in at 0740H. Negative findings.	JS	JR
7.	0715		Bde 95D: Use log bird all morning because at 1400H 09 Mar it will be pulled for RF. Regarding to contact area YU 425244. Immediately air strike is being planned.	JS	JR
8.	0720		Birds: GO (Shocked Hiker 642) TOS 0716H. IB (Crimson Codes 266) TOS 0715H. C-C has negative console aboard.	JS	JR
9.	0721		AllUnits: Up on the pill (A.B.C.D.E 1/6).	JS	JR
10.	0735		1/8 Cav: Reference our A/O extension into the ARVN Bn (ABN) AO. The 1/8 Cav will terminate immediately our A/O extension south of the west east grid line 24. However the 1/8 Cav desires to keep indefinitely the portion from the present boundary at 400273 south of 4024 and east to present boundary at 42 1240. The reason is to allow ample clearance in our A/O for air strike and artillery fires for area vicinity 425244.	JS	BW
12.	0810		Bde 28G: A/O extension disapproved and present A/O extension is terminated as of now. The		

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12.	0810		Continues from page 2: 82 Co is presently moving in that area. Their night location was 401233 and they are ground reconing to the east. A/O exterminated 400276 south to 4020 east to 4320 (present boundary).	JS	OS
13.	0830		Bn 86: Big Ears Green and Operational.	JS	JM
14.	0835		1/8 Cav: Request Pink Team for V/R for vicinity 425244, to exploit bunker complex in this area.	JS	EW
15.	0840		1/8 Cav: Request A/S for 10 March to grid vicinity 425244. Bunkers area of ground to air fire and enemy contact. Ordnance 750 lbs. Hi Drag. Request 4 sorties. Nearest friendlies this time about 4K NE.	JS	JM
16.	0840		1/8 Cav: Request sky spot for night of 09 March to vicinity 425244. Bunker complex, ground to air fire and enemy contact. Ordnance 750 lbs of Hi Drag, 2 sorties. Nearest friendlies at present time are about 4K NE.	JS	JM
17.	0841		2nd Bde: On 08 March at grid vicinity 425244 we received 02 air strikes. We received no skyspots the night of 8 March. Reason because of lights in Bde A/O.	JS	JM

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18.	0842		B/Co: Says his FO overrides all his transmissions.  If they get in contact he will not be able to talk until his FO is done with the fire mission.	JS	JM		
19.	0845		Bde 18: BH changed from 33.50 to 47.70.	JS	OS		
20.	0848		Bde 280: Glass scheduled for 1100 on external sling loading has been postponed until 1230. It will still be at the same location.	JS	OS		
21.	0940		Bn 86: Concerning sniper report; need to know how many kills yesterday. Negative sniper kills yesterday. Last sniper kill was 01 March by Moskins.	JJS	OS		
22.	1000		Bde 67U: In reference to radar batteries. If we can get them to Song Be 2 shop they will direct exchange them.	JS	OS		
23.	1015		C/Co: Has found at grid 439325 01 bunkers 8'x10' with use in the last 48 hours, various garden tools, 01 bottle of rice wine, bottle was very old green glass with approximately 1 quart capacity.	JS	JM		
24.	1020		Bn 28: Want to know if they have reached a decision on our moving the 11th and are they aware of the Engineer Equipment we will need. Bde hasn't reached a decision on moving.	JS	OS		

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25.	1030		67D: We need a battery charger for radar. Our battery charger is operational, however the male plug is worn and sometimes shorts out. 840 will try to get us another battery charger. / Negative battery chargers available.	JS	CS		
26.	1030		Bn 86: A/Co-445286. B/Co-446327. C/Co-439325. D/Co-Audie, E/Co-complete Audie.	JS	JM		
27.	1055		Rash 29: Air strike at grid 425244 cleared by us for 3K NE, 29 Rash will get in touch with trail brunt alpha for clearance to the south west TOT 1120H. Expended BDA to follow; 03 bunkers destroyed, 02 hootches destroyed, 01 KBA.	JS	CS		
28.	1125		Rider 10: A hunter killer team to work area grid 425244, TOS 1125H. At grid 4026 spotted 03 VC individuals wearing green fatigues, believes he got 02 of the individuals at 1225H. 02 KBA at grid 3221 spotted a possible training site with several large tables and several large bunkers. Having engages trouble at this time and have to break station.	JS	CS		
29.	1145		B/Co: Found at grid 445327 a total of 05 gooks shitters last used sometime before the last rain.	JS	JM		
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30.	1205		A/Co 13: At 1205H at grid 445286 A/Co 2/6 engaged 05 to 06 individuals with small arms fire. They had mixed uniformson and negative head gear at 1210 contact was broken with 01 individuals to the southeast at 1211H we requested a pink team for them. Bench 56 TOS 1235H was employed sent to Bde. Bench 56 broke station at 1300H, sweep of the area at 11300H revealed 01 heavy blood trail following this to the east. 01 body VC type with negative weapon, black pants and faded shirt, ho chi minh slicks, long haircut carrying a long bag of rice.	JS	JM		
31.	1212		Bn 86: Request a pink team for grid 445286. Our A/Co company had contact there. At 1205H contact broke. And we are using artillery. Contact was with unidentified size enemy force.	JS	CS		
32.	1345		Bench 57: Hunter killer team TOS 1345H for box 4733 to 4033 to 5033 to 4737. Box clear by 28W. Also get in touch with puddle 13K on their internal, they are 3K south west of that location.	JS	JM		
33.	1420		Bde 67U: Double check 6 YU 239333-400 meters early afternoon, enemy force-YU 290410.	JS	JA		
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34.	1430		All Units: Current Location; A/Co-445286. B/Co-446326. C/Co-443324. D/Co-Audie. E/Co- complete Audie.	JS		JM	
35.	1445		Bn 28W: Log bird left Audie at 1434 for RF at lean .	JS		JA	
35.	1455		A/Co 1/6: Found at 1455H grid 446287 a NW- SE grass trail 18" wide recent use last 3-4 days. Direction of trail NW.	JS		RC	
37.	1508		A/Co: Continuing sweep revealed one more VO KIA this individual was wearing out off khaki trousers with an off white shirt ho chi minh sticks had long hair with negative weapons or personal effects or headgear, also had 01 polished rice with him pants were out off at knee level.	JS		JM	
38.	1515		Bde 840: Sniffer Reading, 1 Box TOT 1140H to 1155H, 1 reading YU 489238.	JS		JA	
39.	1625		1/8 Cav: Request for Air craft for 10 March 70. G-C A/C to 0700h report to Buttons, report to Adverse Bruisers 66K on 63.30, pick chow report to FSB Audie contact Adverse Bruiser on 37.65. Log A/C at 0700H report to Buttons report to Adverse Bruiser 66K on 63.30. contact 25E on 63.30.	RC		JS	
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40.	1745		Bde 67D: Box 2 was unable to be put in be- cause of air strike and artillery.	JS	JA
41.	1748		O/Co 13K: O/Co spotted #439321 sticks in area. Also at this grid N-S trail 1 meter wide. Negative direction, also 03 E-W trail last 48h, negative direction crossing the N-Sis this general area. #440321 02 bobby trap, motar rounds set underground?	JS	JA
42.	1800		B/Co: #443327 1755H; 20 bunkers 10 by 15, 8 by 8, 2 to 3 feet overhead. 08 hootchas 10x15 that were a mess hall, class room, animal pens, living hootchas also containing benches. Also found cooking utensils, 03 shovels, assorted chicken eggs, baskets, artificial flowers, assorted medical supplies and assorted documents. This area has been used in this last 3 days. A layout of the complex and documents will be back logged tomorrow.	JS	JM
43.	1802		B/Co: #447324 1756H: N-S trail, 3 feet wide, heavy use within the last 3 to 4 days, negative direction.	JS	DE
43.	1840		Bn 86: Closing Locations; A/Co-446280. S/Co-446326, B sqd-445326, B 3/6-447327.		

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43.	1840		Continues from page 8: C/Co-439321. D/Co-Audie. E/Co-Audie.	JS		JA	
44.	1850		Bde: Air strikes today. 01 immediately at grid 425244.	JS		JA	
45.	1932		Bn 86: PDS for Audie; HQ & E/Co 83 EM, 38 NCO, 10 Officers. 105 (Artillery) 43 EM, 12 NCO, 2 Officers. Base Defense 100 EM, 14 NCO, 5 Officers. Attached 8 EM, 1 NCO, negative officers.	JS		JA	
46.	1953		Bn 86: Ambush report; 03 automatic ambushes by A/Co in the night. 06 A/A by B/Co in the night. 08 A/A by C/Co in the night.	JS		JA	
47.	2013		Bn 86: 2550 165 TNT and 2370 165 Plastic total.	JS		JA	
48.	2014		B n 86: Request Pink Team to BDA air strike vicinity grid 425244 for 10 Mar.	JS		JA	
50.	2045		1/8 Cav: Plans for 10 March 70. A/Co will ground recon to vicinity 448262, establish NDP. B/Co will ground recon to 442314, establish NDP. G/Co will ground recon to 442314, establish NDP. D/Co(-)-Base Defense Audie, 3rd platoon at 1300 conduct ground recon to vicinity 419293 from Audie, establish NDP. E/Co 1/6 at 1300 will				

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49.	2045	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC		0001	9 Mar 70	2400	9 Mar 70
		Continues from page 9: will conduct a ground recon to vicinity 438302, then return to FSB Audie.					JS
50.	2045	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC					
		1/8 Cav; Tentative plans for 11 Mar 70; A/Co will ground recon to vicinity 439249, establish NDP. B/Co will ground recon to vicinity river 448335, establish NDP. D/Co (-) Base Defense Audie. 3rd platoon will ground recon along river to vicinity 407304, establish NDP. E/Co 1/6 will ground recon to vicinity 432303, then northwest along river to vicinity 423309, return to FSB Audie.					JS
51.	2057	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC					
		1/8 Cav: Air strike request for LZ Construct for 11 March 70. 1st priority grid 447390 nearest friendlies 5k. 2nd priority grid 453367 nearest friendlies 3K. 3rd priority grid 451357 nearest friendlies 2K. 4th priority grid 439357 nearest friendlies, 2K. Ordnance 1000 lbs daisy cutter for each of the above grids.					JS
52.	2400	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC					
		Bn 65: Journal Closed.					JS

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