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1.	0001		Bn NCS/Lgt: Journal Open.	JS	KB
2.	0100		All Units/Bn NCS: Negative Sit Rep.	JS	KB
3.	0134		Bde S-3/Bn S-3: Negative A/C for 01 May 70. Bde will have only 05 A/C, 02 for Bde, 03 for 05 battalion. 1/8 will have one at 1300H, just log enough to log our companies.	JS	KB
4.	0200		All Units/Bn NCS: Negative Sit Rep.	JS	DQ
5.	0220		Bde S-2/Bn NCS: FY 1329 at 0215H, YU 363340 medium, 18 rounds of 155mm expended.	JS	KB
6.	0300		All Units/Bn NCS: Negative Sit Rep.	JS	DQ
7.	0400		All Units/Bn NCS: Negative Sit Rep.	JS	DQ
8.	0500		All Units/Bn NCS: Negative Sit Rep.	JS	DQ
9.	0600		All Units/Bn NCS: Negative Sit Rep.	JS	DQ
10.	0602		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: Negative significant activities in the last 12 hours.	JS	KB
11.	0700		All Units/Bn NCS: Upon the pill (A,B,C,D,E).	JS	DB
12.	0700		All Units/Bn NCS: Upon secure (A,B,C,E).	JS	DB
13.	0730		D Co/Bn NCS: Trips and claymores in at 0645H, first light check out at 0700H, first light check in at 0730H,	JS	DB
14.	0740		C Co/Bn NCS: C Co 1/8 Cavalry sent out an element to check out their automatic ambush that went off in the night. C Co back at 0740H with		

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14.	0740		Continuation from page 1: negative findings in automatic ambush area. Nothing was found. C Co thinks branch fell on automatic ambush and caused it to go off.	JS	DB
15.	0800		Bde S-3 Asst/ ^H S-3: Due to the lack of air facilities Bde Advisor to have all companies utilize automatic ambushes and wait for the gooks to come to the companies instead of running in to them.	JS	DB
16.	0800		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Request pink team for C Co. ETA 30 minutes, E Co ETA 30 minutes. C Co to check out automatic ambush area. E Co recon to VR their contact area of 30 April 70.	JS	DB
17.	0810		Rash 21/Bn NCS: FAC A/C TOS 0810H to VR in our AD.	JS	DB
18.	0820		Bde S-2 Air NCO/Bn NCS: Sniffer Boxes; (A11 grid YU); (4)-1732, 2532, 2528, 2719. (5)-2727, 3127, 3119, 2719. (6)-3545, 4325, 4321, 3521. (8)-2918, 3718, 3714. VR C1/9 Team 1-(1)2920, 3520, 3516, 2916. (2)-3729, 4029, 4022, 3722. (3)-3536, 4136, 4132, 3532. (4)3032, 3432, 3425, 3025. (5)2636, 3036, 3031, 2631. (6)2037, 2437, 2433, 2033. (7)2120, 2820, 2816, 2116. C1/9 VR Team 3-#1-3521, 4321, 4317, 3517. IR TGT		
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18.	0820		Continuation from page 2: 0200H Box #02, 08, 09. 09, 17, 18, 10.	JS	DB
19.	0830		Bde S-3 Asst/Bn S-3 Asst: As soon as air facilities become available Bde will send Bn 1/8 Cav the bull dozer we have already requested.	JS	DB
20.	0850		Credit 25/Bn NCS: Hunter killer team C1/9 TCS 0850H.	JS	DG
21.	0914		Bde S-3 Asst/Bn S-3 Asst: Hunter killer team, C1/9, Credit 25 took ground to air fire at YU 268335, small arms fire at 0905H. Bde is ordan- ing an immediate air strike for ground to air fire grid YU 268335.	JS	DB
22.	1000		Hunter killer Team C1/9/Bn NCS: Credit Red- Hunter killer team C1/9 free fire and VR YU 285330 2 clicks around received ground to air fire. Spot 1120H; YU 260330-northeast-southwest trail 12" wide appears to be brand new with recent use, also a bridge 15'x1 1/2' under construction. Spotted 1130H; YU 262329 table top a bunker top also section of a floor 5'x8' appears to be a hootch under construction, also 15 bunkers 5'x8' and 8'x8' brand new (1'-2' overhead cover), have light to moderate use.	JS	DG

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23.	1015		E Co Recon/Bn NCS: YU 338212 results after sweeping the area of 30 April, contact revealed 03 KIA by small arms fire, 02 KIA AFA and 04 air strike. The individuals were wearing black pajamas bottoms and off white tops. Negative head gear, weapon, pack or footgear. Medium haircuts.	JS	DG
24.	1015		All Units/Bn NCS: Current locations 1050H; A Co-YU 392298. B Co-YU 318297. C Co-YU 321279. D Co-Nguyen Trai. E Co-Nguyen Trai, Recon-YU 338208.	JS	DB
25.	1030		FAC A/C/Bn NCS: Rash 26 TOS 1030H, LZ construct at YU 325260 clearance given by S-3 Asst ground contact C Co.	JS	DG
26.	1035		B Co/Bn NCS: Current for 3rd platoon of B Co YU 311294.	JS	DG
27.	1045		Bde S-2 Asst/Bn NCS: Shadow box request for free fire TOT May 1 2000H to May 2 0600H, grids YU 3536 to 4136 to 4132 to 3532. Clearance given by S-3 Asst.	JS	DB
28.	1050		C Co/Bn NCS: C Co in contact 1050H grid YU 323 279 requested ARA 1050H. Requested pink team on standby 1054H requested FAC A/C to cover C Co		

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28.	1054		Continuation from page 4: contact on 1054H. request air strike with napalm only 1054H. Reported to Bde NCS at 1057H the following C Co 1st platoon while conducting a clever leaf encountered an estimated enemy force of 05 to 07 individuals. C Co received small arms fire and B40 fire from the east. C Co engaged with organics, thier mortar platoon and artillery. ARA and FAC on station. negative friendly casualties. Contact broke at 1100H. At 1140H C Co thinks enemy evaded to the north east.	JS	DB
29.	1054		Bn NCS/Bde S-3 Air Asst: Requested pink team on stand by. Requested FAC to cover C Co 1/8 Cav in contact. Napalm on stand by.	JS	DB
30.	1130		Bn NCS/Bde S-3 Air Asst: Requested immediate air strike for C Co 1/8 contact grid YU 323279. Ordinance requested napalm. Air strike will be napalm with bombs. ETA 1200H, TOS 1153H, air strike completed at 1219H.	JS	DB
31.	1132		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: Requested from Bn 1/8 an AO extension for the 2/12 to commence May 1 at 1200H to terminate May 5th at 2400H. Grids YU 350180 to 343180, to 343210 to 350210. AO extension request is for troop		

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31.	1132		Continuation from page 5: for troop insertion/ request denied by S-3 due to B Co recon working in area.	JS	DB
32.	1153		FAC A/C/Bn NCS: Rash 26 an air strike for C Co at YU 323279, TOS 1153H, completed at 1230H.	JS	DG
33.	1158		Bn NCS/Ede NCS: Requested pink team for C Co 1/8 Cavalry to help BDA and assist C Co in their sweep. ETA 1245H ETA 1355H. C1/9 Credit 28 TOS 1325H. (Hunter killer team).	JS	DB
34.	1240		Bn NCS/Ede S-3 NCO: Informed Ede NCS that the dog and dog handler at Lolita will not be able to be sent to C Co 1/8 on May 1 because they are receiving kick out log. Therefore the scout dog and handler will go out to B Co, 1/8 cavalry on May 2.	JS	DB
35.	1258		FAC A/C Bn NCS: Rash 28 TOS 1155H LZ construct YU 318265 at 1335H completed at 01 2 shipper ro a 01 3 shipper.	JS	JM
36.	1400		All Units/Bn NCS: Current locations; A Co- YU 390301. B Co-YU 312294. C Co-YU 321279. D Co- Nguyen Trai, E Co-FSB Nguyen Trai, Recon-YU 340202.	JS	DB
37.	1409		Bn NCS/Ede S-3 Air NCO: Exposure Report; C Co		

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37.	1409		Continuation from page 6: first sortie at 1445H, last sortie at 1455H, started at 1300H, ended at 1510H, number of sorties at 07, remarks-log.	JS	JM
38.	1410		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: PDS FSN Nguyen Trai; HHC & E Co-66 EM, NCO-29, Officers-10. Base defense-100 EM, 13 NCO, 03 Officers. 155-39 EM, 08 NCO, 04 Officers. 105-42 EM, 12 NCO, 05 Officers, Engineers-04 EM, Black hats-02 EM.	JS	JM
39.	1405		B Co/B n NCS: B Co found YU 314294 northeast-southwest trail 1' wide, negative recent use, negative direction.	JS	DG
40.	1420		E Co Recon/Bn NCS: E Co recon found 01 blood trail at vicinity grid of grid YU 337213, leading to northwest, of followed trail into heavy foliage and found 01 NVA KIA by small arms. Individual had medium haircut, negative pack, negative weapon or footgear. Individual wore black pajama pants and dirty white shirt.	JS	JM
41.	1420		C Co/Bn NCS: Log A/C at 1420H YU 321279 received 10 to 15 rounds of AK47 ground to air fire. He took 01 hit in the elevator. Immediate air strike (hard bombs & napalm) has been ordered for this locations 1422H, 1430H C1/9 credit		

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41.	1420		Continuation from page 7: took approximately 20 pounds of ground to air fire 75 to 100 meters from C Co on an azimuth of 340 degrees, negative assessment at this time.	JS	DG
42.	1428		11 Units/Bn NCS: Sniper report: A Co-02 in the field, B Co-01 in the field, C Co-01 in the field, D Co-01 FSB Nguyen Trai, E Co Recon-01 in the field, 01 R&R. A Co 01 scout dog.	JS	JM
43.	1435		FAC A/C/Bn NCS: Rash 26 TOS 1435H on station with fighters and 20 mm will expend on ground to air fire at vicinity grid YU 321279. wnd set of fighters in with napalm at 1500H was completed at 1530H.	JS	DG
44.	2500		C Co/Bn NCS: YU 323279 at 1030H; 02 NVA KIA by small arms wearing green uniforms, HCM slicks, short haircuts, negative weapons, documents or packs.	JS	DG
45.	1500		Vde NCS/Bn NCS: Request pink team to EDA ground to air fire area vicinity grid YU 321279.	JS	DG
46.	1600		Ede S-2/Bn NCS: New radar serial #160 has arrived and is operational at FSB Nguyen Trai.	JS	JM
47.	1724		Pink Team/Bn NCS: At grid YU 320283 pink team C1/9 found 03 pallets containing 01 ton of rice under black torps. Pink team engaged and destroyed		

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47.	1724		Continuation from page 8: rice. Pink team also engaged and killed 05 NVA in green fatigues. 02 of these individuals carried 02 AK47s. Pink team broke station and reported 51 caliber ground to air fire from vicinity grid YU 325260. Negative hit assessment. C Co found 02 blood trails going east-northeast vicinity grid YU 325280 leading to 02 NVA (02 killed by artillery) both with green NVA fatigues, negative footgear, headgear, down-ments, packs or weapons. All had medium haircuts. JS JM	JS	JM		
48.	1730		All Units/Bn S-3 Air: Repad to Buttons 020700H contact Silo 72R on 58.80. Pick up 01 sortie and report to FSB Lolita. Contact Silo 47 on 60.75. Log-report to Buttons 020700H. Contact Silo A/C 72R on 58.80. Will receive instructions. JS DG	JS	DG		
49.	1820		All Units/Bn NCS: Night Locations: A Co-YU 390297. B Co-YU 313292. C Co-YU 327281. D Co-FSB Nguyen Trai. E Co(-)-FSB Nguyen Trai. E Co Recon-YU 330202. JS OR	JS	OR		
50.	1907		All Units/Bn NCS: Ambush Report; Negative day ambush. 05 automatic ambushes for A Co. 04 automatic ambushes for B Co at night. 08 automatic ambushes for C Co at night. 06 automatic ambushes for D Co at night.				

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50.	1907		Continuation from page; 06 automatic ambushes for D Co at night. 03 automatic ambushes for E Co Recon platoon at night.	JS	DM
51.	1911		Bde NCS/Bn NCS: Night locations; 1/12 (A) Bien Hoa (B-)YU 090094, (B-)YU 094031, (C-)YU 229013, (C-2)YU 100088 (D-)Buttons, (D-1)Thomas (E-)Buttons (Recon) Bien Hoa (LRRPs)Buttons, 2/12, (A) YU 364199 (B) YU 353192 (C) FSB Mirisa, (D) YU 400153 (E-)Mirisa (Recon) YU 426187.	JS	JM
52.	1937		Bde S-2/Bn NCS: FY #1412, 1935H YU 345279, medium activation 36 rounds of 155mm. #113 at grid YU 294200-54 rounds of 105 fired, at 1905H. #1105 at grid YU 237224, 1950H, 18 rounds of 155mm.	JS	JM
53.	2020		Bde S-3 Air/Bn Log: Air strike for 2 May 70; YU 364291-1230H 750 lbs daisy cutter. YU 310282 1000H 500 lbs instantaninous, 250 fuses.	JS	JM
54.	2024		All Units/Bn NCS: PDS All Units: A Co-103,03,12, C Co-103,04,13, B Co-102,05,12, D Co-113,03,10, E Co Mortars-40,01,01, E Co Recon-27,01,04.	JS	CR
55.	2037		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Change in AO for E Co recon platoon; New AO is YU 3022, YU 3019, YU 3519, YU 3522, effective 1800H 1 May.	JS	DB
56.	2039		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Change in AO for B Co for 1/8		

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56.	2039		Continuation from page 10: Cav; New AO is YU 2931, YU 2928, YU 3228, YU 3229, YU 3329, YU 3331, YU 2931. Effective 1800H.	JS	JM
57.	2040		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Change in AO for C Co, 1/8 Cav; New AO is YU 3429, YU 3229, YU 3228, YU 3028, YU 3025, YU 3425, YU 3429. Effective 1800H 1 May 1970.	JS	JM
58.	2057		Bde S-3/Bn NCS: TAC E Missions for FSB Nguyen Trai should arrive at approximately 2130H.	JS	JM
59.	2114		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Plans for 2 May for 1/8 Cav; A Co will ground recon to vicinity grid YU 382296, then establish NDP. B Co will ground recon to vicinity grid YU 306292, then establish NDP. C Co will conduct careful recon of contact area at vicinity grid YU 323279, then ground recon to vicinity grid YU 325277, then establish NDP. D Co-Base Defense at FSB Nguyen Trai. E Co Recon will ground recon to vicinity grid YU 324200, then establish NDP.	JS	JM
60.	2115		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Tentative plans for 3 May for 1/8 Cavalry; A Co will ground recon to vicinity grid YU 376229, then establish NDP. B Co will ground recon to vicinity grid YU 301296, then		

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60.	2115		Continuation from page 11: B Co will ground recon to vicinity grid YU 301296, then establish NDP. C Co will ground recon to vicinity grid YU 329270, then establish NDP. B Co-Base defense at FSB Nguyen Trai. E Co Recon will ground recon to vicinity grid YU 316200, then establish NDP.	JS	JM
61.	2123		Bn NCS/Bde NCS: Black horse splash 2335H.	JS	JM
62.	2152		Bn NCS/Bde S-3 Air: Request for air strike for 2 May; (1) LZ construct at YU 363284, 750 lb daisy cutter, nearest friendlies 3K northeast. (2) Air strike at YU 315280 25 bunkers and 7 military structures 750 lb hidrag, nearest friendlies 1100 meters east. (3) Air strike at YU 321298, 150 military structure, 750 hi drag, nearest friendlies 1000 meters west.	JS	JM
63.	2235		Bn Asst S-3/Log: Daily summary; Contact; C Co 1050H, YU 323279 engaged 5 to 7 individuals with organics, 81 mm mortar, artillery, ARA, air strikes. Enemy returned small arms, B40s. Enemy broke contact at 1100H and evaded northeast. Result; 02 NVA KIA, negative U.S. casualties. Air moves; none. Significant events; 0445H, YU 285330, hunter killer team, C1/9, received ground		

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63.	2359		Continuation from page 12: to air fire. E Co recon, 1000H, YU 338212 found 10 NVA KIA from previous contact. 1:20H, YU 321279, log A/C took ground to air fire.	J	JM
64.	2400		En NCS/Log: Journal Closed.	J	DQ

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