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8TH Cav		FSB Ellen		0001	9 Nov. 69	2400	9 Nov. 69
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	IN	OUT					
1.	0001		Journal opened	JS	JB		
2.	0025		St 45 reported lights and movement around their perimeter. 0002 ST 42 saw 01 flash light 50 meters NW 0010 05 ind seen at 25 meters shining flash lights 0015 ind. moved 20m of TM and using flash lights 0021 flashlights went out				
			ST 42 will be extracted in the morning	JS	JB		
3.	0100		Neg sit rep	JS	JR		
4.	0200		Neg sit rep	JS	JB		
5.	0300		Neg sit rep	JS	JB		
6.	0400		Neg sit rep	JS	JR		
7.	0437		Big Ears operational	JS Bde	JR		
8.	0500		Neg sit rep	JS	JR		
9.	0600		Neg sit rep. Stand to complete	JS	JR		
10.	0620		QRF D/Co. 36, RRF D/Co. complete	JS Bde	JR		
11.	0635		A/S on grid xu 974096 target LZ construct tot 1000 mission No. 5303 HFJ	JS	JR		
12.	0708		Request a scout team for B/Co. 36 at grid yu 045142 at 0900 after they have been inserted	JS Bde	JR		
13.	0710		Trips and claymores in-first light check out found a fresh trail in front of bunker 14-3-2 ind made possibly last night. Direction East from Ellen 1 or 2 individuals	JS	JB		
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14.	0724		00 Chicken Man 471 toa 0730. LB Potatoe Mashor 391 toa 0730.	JS	JR
15.	0730		Hunter killer team on station 0730 (Saber 28) 0748H 039108 NS trail 10-15 ind. 24H moving South Spot report 0800 032098 EW trail 15-20 Indiv. last 24 hrs. neg direction of movement	JS Bde	JR
16.	0810		Weekly sniper report 0930H 9 Nov 69. Line Ar 1/8, B:6, C:0, D:0, E:28, F:3, G:0, H:0, I:0 J:0, K:N/A, L:N/A, M:N/A	JS Bde	JF
17.	0815		Notified 2M of PPS-5 radar difficulties 1) center scan knob is stripped in the receiver trans- mitter. 2) 1 battery is dead. Bde alerted us to have set ready for exchange at 1000H	JS	JF
18.	0815		Request medevac for D/Co. 1/7 with jungle penetrator. Patient has gunshot wound in left hand and right foot. Have rigged litter on bird. Sporadic fire in area. Medevac 14 on way to get patient 0900H 0943H medevac com- plete. Med toa 0930H	JS Bde	JF
19.	0810	6	Silver Spartan 36 in contact at 0810H at 046102 They had moved 150m from to the SW of the CP The point element was crossing an NS trail when an enemy force of 15 ind opened up on		

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			the patrol. They were set up on a linear ambush position. The patrol was engaged by the enemy at 15 meters with S/A, AW, and RPG fire. The point man was wounded by the initial volley of fire receiving wounds in the left hand and right foot. D 36 returned fire immediately and the enemy withdrew to the South West. Check of the area found 2 MG positions, 2 expended RPG-7 rounds and 1 un expended. Contact broke at 0830H. Saber 28 on station at 0810H and expended. He took AK G/A fire when he made his first pass. Blue Max on station 0824H expended second section on station at 0900, 0855 med evac requested w/ ridget litter. Weather conditions Clear and Dry	JS Bde	JF
20.	0818		Request Blue Max for D 1/7 contact. Max on station at 0820.		
21.	0830		Change on lift scheduled for today. Due to D 1/7 in contact B/Co. will not be air lifted they are moving towards contact area at this time 0830H	JS Bde	JF
22.	0835		Yellow 1 flight leader tos 0830 will take D/ 1/8 oak for Mini Cav operating on D 1/8 push		
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	IN	OUT					
			(Q67) Rain Cloud 36 will be used	JS Bde	JF		
23.	0836		Request scout team for D/1/7 contact area	JS Bde	JF		
24.	0917		Slashing talon 32 inserted 0415H 990188	JS	JF		
25.	0930		D 1/8 Rain Cloud 16 at 041067 found 1 NVA pack with personal gear and 1 set of binoculars				
			Contents attached) grid 042067 2 grenades Ch				
			Com and 2 B-40 rockets 1 shovel and many Charges				
			for B-40 also found in pack, fishing wire.				
			1st aid pack, 1 poncho, 1 bar soap, 1 pr gork				
			shorts(black), 6D everready battery, plastic				
			bottle, 5 lbs of rice, sweater, 3 lb sugar,				
			kakhe shirt, 1 pr pants green, 2 lb rice	JS Bde	JF		
26.	0943		Rain Cloud 36 lift from Ellen LZ clear 0943H				
			50948 Arty short of H-1 0452, 0954 6 sorties				
			on ground LZ green, CA complte inserted 967196	JS Bde	JF		
27.	0950		Snoopy 1-2 on station 0950H will check in w/				
			Rain Cloud	JS	RB		
28.	1010		Agent report, sapper battalion reported at grid				
			082067, 3-4 days old	JS	JF		
29.	1013		1/7 AO extension into southern portions of				
			our AO in terminated at this time	JS	JF		
30.	1100		Current Locs. A/Co.-972095, B/Co-030116, C/Co-				
			009085, D/Co.-Base defense Ellen, D/Co.-36-967196				
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E/Co. - FSB Ellen, E/Co. - 16-opcon 1/7, D/Co. 1/7

046102

JS Bde

JF

31.

1110

Heavy Arty boxes target #32615, yu 002076,

yu 012076, yu 002106, yu 012106, tot 10 Nov.

1800H

JS

JF

32.

1114

Saber 27 tos 1113 to make general VR along

river from Ft Granite N to 912136

JS

RB

33.

1150

Saber 27 Broke station this time. Spot report

1130 NE-SW high speed trail 914128 neg direct

of travel

JS

RB

35.

1230

Air strike on grid 009085 requested. 750 lb.

Hy drag and Napom. Went in at 1300H

JS

JF

36.

1235

Pink team requested for C/Co. which is in

contact at this time.

JS

JF

37.

1245

Small arms fire taken by log at 045087, 1K

south of D 1/7, while leaving log site. 15 rds

AK, neg hits bird was at 1000' alt. 81's FSB

Ellen expended 50 rds HE at 1250H on grid.

Log bird flying 80 knots Potatoe Masher 391

unit flying 1000' altitude

JS Bde

JF

38.

1225

19

C/Co. in contact 1225H grid 009085 range of

75m 240 to 300 AZ w/ SA and B-40's, RPG-7's

Returned fire with M-16, M-79, 6 to 10 ind.

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		Saw 02 indiv. running from a 240 AZ to 300 AZ, around C/Co. perimeter did not see clearly what they were. enemy hit entire family in log pos. contact broke 1240H. Result 09 WIA friendly 06 medevaced 03 brought to Ellen. Nag enemy readout. C/Co. 36 sweeping area 1230 enemy 1-2 on station expended org. 1235 1st Max on station broke station 1250H after expending. 1255H Rash 38 w/HD and Nap. expended org.	JS Bde		JF
39.	1310	Saber Red 2-3 on station 1310 to work for C/Co. will cover medevac	JS		RB
40.	1329	Medevac 4 on station with Red 2-3 for gunship 1 litter, 7 ambulatory. Medevac reported 3 ambulatory still on pad to be picked up by log bird/ take to Ellen. left station 1340H	JS		JF
41.	1510	Rash 26 on station w/ AS grid 045087 for ground to air Rash 2-3 will conduct A/S tot 1510, complete 1521H BDA negative.	JS Bde		JF
42.	1458	Red 2-3 on station 1458H to work w/ C Co. Broke station at 1545H	JS		RB
43.	1515	Rash 23 tos 1514H A/S at 969005 BDA negative	JS		RB
44.	1525	Final plans for 10 Nov. in at this time	JS		JF
45.	1530	Spot Report. C/Co. 36 found 1 bunker 4x5x4 2			
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	IN	OUT			
			months old 1/2 ft OHQ and 2 4x4x3 fighting		
			pos. same on a 210 A2 range 200m from log loc.		
			009085 also NS trail which was believed route		
			of evasion	JS Bde	JF
46.	1551		Rain Cloud 16 leaving Ellen to S and sweeping		
			to East	JS	RB
47.	1553		Yellow 1 on station 1552H for Cloud 36 lift		
			extracted grid 966195 time 1646H complete at		
			Ellen time 1657	JS Bde	JF
48.	1640		IR for tonight. 1037, 1038, 1025, 1045	JS	JF
49.	1702		D/Co. 16 & 26 back in perimeter 1701. Neg		
			findings	JS	RB
50.	1645		URS 002988 1000m radius. VV 6 rating. Steel		
			3 informed #3A pink team had been sent to		
			check it out	JS	SH
51.	1702		Grid 043063 Bn 3 spotted 01 enemy wearing		
			green uniform coming out of bamboo as D 36		
			lift was setting down at Ellen. Ind evaded into		
			woodline to East. Saber expended. Recon of white		
			bird neg finding Red 23 broke station at 1705		
			for priority mission	JS Bde	JF
52.	1725		Request Scout Dog team for B/Co. tomorrow.		
			Report NLT 0700H to Bn S-1 shop at Quan Loi	JS Bde	GC

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53.

1800

Log Bird Potatoe Masher 391 released at 1800H

JS Bde

JF

54.

1810

Closing locs. A/Co.-9709, B/Co. CP-028113,
 16-030113, 26-026114, 36-028111, C/Co.-015085
 D/Co. 1/7-049097, D/Co. 1/8- Ellen, E/Co. Ellen
 E/Co. 16-opcon 1/7, ST 32-990180, Hatchet
 report: Plt Sq
 day-----6 0
 night---4 0
 10

JS Bde

JF

55.

1815

D/Co. last light check going out. Last light
 back in Ellen at 1905H w/neg findings

JS

RB

56.

1905

Exchange of radar has been made Big Ears in
 operation

JS

RB

57.

1945

Rain Cloud 16 QRF, RRF Rain Cloud

JS Bde

DF

58.

2000

Closing locs. 1/5-A-Vivian, B-839057, C-Jerra
 D-Quan Loi, E-Vivian, 16-961217, 1/7 A-Wescott
 B-069977, C-986805, D-opcon 1/8, E-Wescott
 E 36-86979, 1/8 E/Co.-832982, CIDG-036746

JS

DF

59.

2030

Request Bull Dozer Delta 6 ASAP for digging
 a new trash sump. 3MB will pass information

JS BDE

GC

60.

2030

Delayed: At 1900H notified Bde of air require-
 ment changes for tomorrow's B/Co.(-) RF

JS Bde

GC

61.

1700

Sniper weekly statistical report due 1700H
 9 Nov. 69, Items: No. 1: trained snipers-6, No.

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2: Snipers in tng.-2, No. 3: total participation

8, No 4: FSB Defense, a) snipers days-20, b) tgt's

eng'd-0, c) en. losses-0, No 5) support of

company opns, a) sniper days 10, b) tgt's eng'd-0

c) en. losses-0

JS Bde

DF

62.

2020

Big Ears has a popping noise due N-600 meters

also voices. 28 rds 81mm, also at 900 mils

200 meters picked up pounding. E/Co. engaging

with 81mm. 23 rds 81mm. Arty firing direct

fire due north 20 rds 105, neg movement at

this time.

JS Bde

DF

63.

2053

D/Co. saw ind run from wire to the woodline in

front of bunker 5 or 8. A trip went off in

front of bunker 6, reconning by 50 cal. Arty

firing direct fire 20 rds. 105. Big ears pick-

ing up signals like code

JS Bde

DF

64.

2055

Request Night Hawk at FSB Ellen, immed. tos

2122H broke station 2204m. Neg findings in

the area around FSB Ellen

JS Bde

DF

65.

2208

Major headquarters. XX 6 at xu 965254, Early

afternoon reading neg radius. XX 6 250 meters

from xu 850107, Early afternoon reading.

JS

DF

66.

2210

Neg sit rep at this time. Dog team will be at

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S-1 at 0630H on 10 Nov.

JS

DF

67.

2230

Tentative plans for 11 Nov. sent in at 2230H

JS Bde

DF

68.

2240

Big Ears picked up movement 3690 mile. 410m
out, ind walking also still picking up a bee
E/Co. engaged 12 rds 81mm and 20 105mm 2245H
at 1400 mile sounds of snipping wire. neg

sightings Big ears scanning area. Neg movement

JS Bde

DF

69.

2325

Shadow bird on station at 2325H check out area

around Ellen 2 click clearance all around

Ellen. Broke station at 2358H. worked the East

and North of Ellen until ammo was expended

JS Bde

DF

70.

2400

Summary: 1) D/Co. in contact at 0810H at 046102

Result 01 US WIA. Requested medevac. No's 18

and 19 in Log. for readout. 2) D 1/8 found

NVA pack. No. 25 for readout of findings. 3)

C/Co. in contact 1225H at 009085, at log site.

Result 09 US wia's neg enemy assessment. No.

38 for readout. A/Co. continue to sweep to

the East to grid xu 999104. Searching for mor-

tar and base camp site. B/Co. Ambush to South-

west grid yu 032130. Interdict enemy movement.

C/Co. move to grid yu 006082. Searching for

cashes and trail networks. D/Co. continue

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base defense FSB Ellen, also local patrolling
around the FSB. D/Co. 1/7 follow up on contact
to North West grid vu 035105. D/Co. Base defense
FSB Ellen. D/Co. 16. opcon 1/7

JS

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2400

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