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ITEM NO.	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN		INITIALS	
	IN	OUT					
1.	0001		Journal opened	JS		RB	
2.	0050		Bunker 11 light at 600m. Big Bars and starlight working area starlight having problems with fog. OP 4 reports that its a light been reflected from premiter. Did not fire, Big Bars had neg. reading on point of light.				
			Believed to be reflected from perimeter	JS		RB	
3.	0200		Negative sit rep	JS		RB	
4.	0300		Negative sit rep	JS		RB	
5.	0400		Negative sit rep	JS		RB	
6.	0500		Negative sit rep. Big Bars operational neg sitings	JS Bde		RB	
7.	0558		Heavy Arty box mission # 30320, yu 134321, 129351, 138353, 144323, tot 27 Oct. 0535H #30321 was not delivered air strike at xu 950142, LZ construct tot 27 Oct. 1400H mission 5212 ord HDJ	JS		RB	
8.	0600		Negative sit rep.	JS		RB	
9.	0615		1/7 locations in AO extentions A/Co.-952003, C/Co.-013027	JS		RB	
10.	0730		Bad Baron moving NE at this time	JS		RB	
11.	0735		CC PotatoeMasher 509, Log Ghost Rider 377, 509 gone to set down at An Loc to wait for				
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			fog at Quan Loi to lift	JS	RB
12.	0758		Pig-Iron ambush closing on Ellen trip flares and claymores in. First light check negative findings. B 56 has closed on Ellen	JS	RB
13.	0805		Request move to slip 1 hour 1000H Due to GC at An Loc waiting fog to lift. How will it affect other. Granted slip to 1000H Pig-Iron 1/6	JS Bde	RB
14.	0800		Spotted E-W trail in vic. of grid 948140. Foot prints on trail since last night's rain. A/Co. patrolling area of trail with is in vic fo their NL	JS	SH
15.	0850		Miss Cav cancelled for 27 Oct. until 28 Oct.	JS Bde	3A
16.	0913		Agent report-Stationary loc. of 45 VC and 1 house-xu 997008- 21 1300H B-3-unit iden. unavailable. Ind. sleeping around house small wearing black uniforms hats and Ho Chi Minh sandals. AK's, B-40's, CKC's and carbines. punji pits around area-several members spoke of nearby bunker. they were sleeping and eating in and out of house	JS	JB
17.	0925		Ref spot report 79- 26 Oct. Ref. effective 28 0600H 3rd Bde now shares B 1/9 assets with		

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			2nd Bde. This means that scout missions must be carefully considered by all units before requesting a team. The Bde has a total of 12 pink teams hours available for Bu and Bde mission instead of 24 hrs.	JS	JB
18.	0927		URS to 997199 250 meter radius early morning 27 Oct. no rating. Requested Pink Team 0935H		
			Changed to Double Check 6. 18 rds. 155 fired	JS Bde	JB
19.	0930		A/Co. at 944148 found 01 gook killed by S/A		
			Gook was on ground near open grave he was covered with plastic. Est. about 1 week old		
			recent use in area last 2 days. At 946133		
			found bridge 12' long 4' wide made of logs.		
			Bridge destroyed. Weather BRO--D.W. A/Co.		
			also found SE-NW trail with use in last 24H	JS Bde	JB
20.	1025		Current 1000H locs. A/Co. (-)-948141, 36-941150		
			B/Co.-Ellen, C/Co.-004159, 16-992165, D/Co.-		
			925124. E/Co. (-)-Ellen 16-opcon 1/7	JS Bde	JB
21.	1050		Agent Report: yu-078230- Agent observed 100		
			VC in bunker complex (12 bnk) 150 meters N		
			of Song Be River. 10 bk used for sleeping, 1		
			food bk. with 8-100 lbs of rice and Japanese		
			noodles, 1 munitions bk w/70 B-40 rds. 8 cases		

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of claymores. Source said the unit had contact

with US heliborne troops near Dak Kia 040178

in which 6 members of K16 were missing and

2 AK-47's lost. He knew of no future intent-

ions of the unit Rating C-3. Source trans-

ported rice from 985167 to troop location at

078230 and spent 4 days working as a laborer.

He said there was a food and arms cache 600

meters from the pick-up point. ob comment.

985167 Hq. for K16

JS

JB

22.

1130

B/Co. 1-6 found EW trail at 039052 traveled

on by 01 ind. last 24 hrs. CLOOD

JS

RR

23.

1310

At 173374 01 flat bottom boat with hole in

it. 156338 trail intersection NS-NE SW which

lead to blue North side of River may be dock

site

JS

RC

24.

1320

Grid 041233 NW-SE trail 5' wide used by 10-14

elephants also est 05 ind going SE in last

12 to 24 hrs. 054240 NS trail used by 20-35

ind to the N in last 6-12 hrs. Saber 24x-

042212 10 hooches 10x20 recent use last 12-24

hrs. also alot of elephant tracks and foot

prints direction unknown

JS

RC

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25.	1405		Air request for RF's to xu 990150 called to Bde	JS Bde	JB
26.	1410		A/S at grid 950141 diverted to 987167 because of better target	JS Bde	JB
27.	1415		A/S 985165 complete 1415 BDA 1 shipper. At 1425 Snoopy 12 on station will be putting in GS vic 943134 to 943138. A/Co. to mark	JS	RC
28.	1430		Current 1400H locs. A/Co.-955142, B/Co.(-) Ellen 16-039057, C/Co.(-)-004159, 16-995165 D/Co.-925124, E/Co.(-) Ellen, 16-opcon 1/7	JS Bde	JB
29.	1455		Agent Report. 6 clicks North of Quan Loi xt 7999, xu 8502, xt 8798, xt 8095, 8 sniffer and 1 sensor on 26 Oct. - 2 sensor, 1 G/A on 25 Oct. 24 Oct. 1 sensor and trail activity on 21, 22, 23 Oct. 1 sensor and 1 sniffer on 22 Oct. 1 G/A on 20 Oct. area contains 1 supply area, 6 base camps, 37 structures, 1 training area, 26 fox holes, 2 tunnels and weapons cache. OB comment-elements of D368 LF Bn presently operating in area. Documents captured on 19-20 Oct. identify D-368 an element of the Binh Long Prov. committee in and around area also elements of		

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			208 arty regiment have been identified by documents on 14 Oct. approx. 6-8 clicks NE of Quan Loi	JS	JB
30.	1505		Request air lift by fixed wing for 150 CIDG from Duc Phuong to Bu Dop. Closing Bu Dop not later than 1600H on 28 Oct.	JS Bde	JB
31.	1535		IR boxes 1023-1024	JS	JB
32.	1552		C/Co. 16 at 995165 found 20 bunker 5x8 18" OHC 17 hooches 5x8 all very old. D/Co. 16 destroyint at this time also found some misc. clothing CLOUD	JS Bde	JB
33.	1555		Bde 3 on spray mission of garden plot area. tos 1555H	JS	JB
34.	1645		Final plans for 28 Oct. sent into Bde	JS	JB
35.	1800		D/Co. # 920125 found 01 bike and misc parts and 1 new pump at 924128 6 bunker 10x12 2' OHC 4 months old neg. recent use. D/Co. destroyed CLOUD	JS	JB
36.	1825		Request night hawk mission grid 0020,0820, 0026, 0826	JS Bde	SH
38.	1800		Hatchet Report- Plt. Sq. day ---5 0 night---3 2 8 0		
			Locations. A/Co.-955142, B/Co. Ellen, C/Co.-		

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			996160, D/Co. 924128, E/Co. (-) Ellen, 16-op/		
			con 1/7 Op's for FSB Ellen in front of B, 2		
			4, and 10, C/Co. 1/6 993159	JS Bde	RC
39	1920		A/C8. 36. at 958143 2 bunkers 4x4 4 cooking		
			positions 02 racks which looked like weapon		
			racks. 01 what document which was all torn up		
			also 01 SW-NE trail with recent use in last		
			48 hrs. At 958147 02 hooches 4x6 02 more		
			racks like the above. At 962148 3 bunkers		
			3x4 1' OHC also in 1 bunker there was a 3'		
			hole 1' across 3 hooches 4x4 very fresh, 02		
			shovels, 2 cooking positions 2 weapons racks		
			and 02 under ground sleeping positions- 01		
			canteen cover 03. A/Co. 26 955135, 1-20x40		
			hooch 2 15x20 hooches 8 bunkers 3x8 2' OHC		
			at 954134 1 cook shirt brown and in good		
			condition. 8 bunkers 2x4 2' OHC. all 1 week		
			old. 952133 08 2 shape bunkers est. 1 week		
			old with recent use 48 hrs. Bunkers will be		
			destroyed	JS Bde	JB
37.	1855		FY 0676 058009- 1844H med.	JS	JB
40.	1920		Cheui Hoe leaflet drop in box 9821,0121,		
			9810,0017. Total 8000 leaflets drop	JS Bde	JB
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41.	1955	Heavy Arty. 848222-856229-868200-876209-291 200 hr. Box 2 134321-129351-138353-144323- 28 Oct. 0345H. Box 3 143353-157354-152322- 152322-161324 28 Oct. 0535 hr.	JS	RR	
42.	1010	Star reading xu-965100, tot 1855 1 on read xu 980180 1 in open, too late for Arty	JS	RB	
43.	2230	Time for CIDG pick up 1000H 28 Oct.	JS	RB	
44.	2230	All companies report Neg sit rep	JS	CG	
45.	2345	Big Duke wishes to run a combined operation with CIDG's for one day w/one plt. on 29 Oct.	JS	RB	
46.	2300	Neg sit rep	JS	SH	
47.	2400	Neg sit rep	JS	SH	
48.	2400	Summary: 1) A/Co. at 944148 found gook KIA by S/A.No. 19 for readout. 2) C/Co. 16 found 20 bunkers and 17 hooches at 995165. Very old. No. 32 for readout. 3) D/Co. 920125 found 01 bike and 1 new pump. No. 35 for readout. 4) A/Co. 36 at 958143 boo coo bunkers and misc. things No. 39 for complete readout. A/Co. ground recon North East to grid xu 956145. Search area for trail net- works and cache sites, along stream. B/Co. base defense FSB Ellen B 1/6 Mini Cav to	JS	JB	

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vicinity grid xu 990075 and conduct ground recon back to FSB Ellen, S/Co. ground recon South West to grid xu 992162. Search area for recent enemy activity reported by agent reports in the area. Also look out for any possible refugee hide outs. D/Co. will conduct ground recon to grid xu 925130, and receive log at this location. Search area along East side of Song Be River, for river crossing sites, trail networks and caches. E/Co. base defense FSB Ellen. E/Co. 16 completed move to grid xu 869962 and is now op/con to 1/7 Cav. There were no A/S in AO

JS

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Journal closed

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