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ORGANIZATION OR INSTALLATION 1st Bn, 8th Cav.	LOCATION FSB Ellen	PERIOD COVERED			
		FROM		TO	
		HOUR 0001	DATE 30 Oct, 69	HOUR 2400	DATE 30 Oct, 69

ITEM NO.	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INITIALS
	IN	OUT			
1.	0001		Journal opened	JS	JB
2.	0100		Neg sit rep	JS	SH
3.	0200		All units neg, sit, rep, could contact D/Co.	JS	JF
4.	0300		Negative sit, rep	JS	SH
5.	0300		Agent Report, B-3 rating 1600 29 Oct 300 VC NVA resting in vic xu 984144 Phuc Binh came from Dak-Kia area xu 042184 moving to Tar- Thanh yt 870964 to attack QL air strip they planned move across Song Be River xt 932968 on 26 Oct. They wore black uniforms, steel pots packs and sandles areed with AK-47's, B-40's, AK-50's, 2-10 pac 25 radios	JS	JF
6.	0300		Agent report, B-3 rating 24 Oct 1715 35 VC 8 patients, 4 women nurses, 21 Oct 1300 VC located near house 5 meter by 4 meters 1-5 meters high xu 945072 Phouc Binh 35 VC on guard, 8 patients and 4 nurses inside. Black uniforms, jungle hats, sandles inside house medicine VC armed with AK-47's, CKC, AK-50's B-40's. Intention unknown	JS	JF
7.	0300		B-3 rating 24 Oct 1600H unit 16 A/C5 300 VC building bunkers yt 011976 armed with AK-47 B-40's, CKC, AK-50's, wearing black uniforms		

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			jungle hats, packs	JS	JF
8.	0300		B-3 rating 24 Oct. 1630 50 VC 10 mountain yard 20 Oct. 8 VC guarding bamboo structure and rice cache xu994023, Phouc Bhin mountain yards were threshing rice and packing it. Bamboo structure 8 meters x 4x5 2 meters above ground was entrance 320 cans with rice were packed VC had bunkers wore black uniforms AK-47's, B-40's, CKC	JS	JF
9.	0300		B-3 rating 24 Oct 1700 45 VC 20 Oct 1700 located in small house 4 meters by 5 meters x 3 meters used for sleeping xu 977008, Phouc Bhin black uniforms jungle hats armed with AK-47's CKC, Intentions unknown carbines B-40's punji pits	JS	SH
10.	0400		Neg sit rep	JS	SH
11.	0500		Neg sit rep	JS	JF
12.	0525		Star reading 0040-0115 30 Oct yu010170-C yu005140-A These were not fired on due to time received. Relayed to A/Co. 0725	JS	JF
13.	0600		All units neg. sit rep. stand to complete	JS	JF
14.	0630		RRF B/Co. QRF B/Co. 26	JS	JF
15.	0645		Claymores in at this time. Wire sweep left		

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			wire walk bact at 0805 W/negative findings	JS	JF
16.	0700		Birds for today CC Potatoe Masher 509, Log		
			bird Potatoe masher 391	JS	JF
17.	0710		Request dog team for Rain Cloud for delivery		
			after ammo	JB	JF
18.	0730		Dog team will be ready at 0900 on our log		
			pad at QL we will have to make arrangements		
			to get them from there to D/Co	JS	JF
19.	0800		Bright Night has EM w/a bullet in foot non		
			hostiel wound. Roster #77 Initials BP last		
			SSAN 2864 man in good condition	JS	RB
20.	0803		Rain Cloud requests scout team to BDA bunkers		
			air strike and arty. Bde says scout team		
			not available	JS	RB
21.	0840		1) Garden plats to be defoliated, xu 943138		
			xu 988144, xu 992159, yu 9027182, 2)175 tar-		
			gets, yu 077162, yu 063244, yu 043233, yu 005		
			193, 3) New loc to be worked vic yu 0516		
			vic yu 0612	JS Bde	RB
22.	0810		Sent to Bright Night tomorrow's plans	JS	RB
23.	0830		Air Request Request direct exchange 6 plus		
			2 19 sorties tos 1000H 31 Oct LZ Ellen JMB		
			to 981144, contact C/Co. 6I Big Duke command		

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	IN	OUT					
			control Duke 6	JS Bde	RB		
24.	0842		Request Air Strikes LZ const. at 963119, 971122				
			995123, 991081	JS Bde	RB		
25.	0920		REF. Mortar testing: Have not yet received				
			LOI on subject, Names you desire are SFC Kirby				
			Luther L., Sgt. Ketcham, Donalt T,	JS Bde	RB		
26.	0925		Weather is clear enough for hooks to land				
			at Ellen, birds notified 0935 will contact				
			Big Duke 65 in Air	JS Bde	RB		
27.	1000		Agent Report 26 Oct 1100H F-3 rating. source				
			observed 150 NVA at yu 025365 Drang Dist. Mon-				
			Dul-Diri Prov Cambodia, wearing green fati-				
			gues and sandals, carried AK-47's and B-40's				
			Had canteens, 02 radios stations at yu 026350				
			and 025265 w/wires running N-S in the trees.				
			Border patrol of 4 platoons with AK and B-40				
			to prevent travel at or near Quadrilateral				
			xu 992370 yu 025395, yu 020260, yu 055385,				
			also patrol S of Quadrilateral source over				
			heard conversation to effect this is 01 Reg-				
			iment NVA with in Quadrilateral	JS	RB		
28.	1002		URS 800m radius at yt 077967 24 Oct. late				
			morning hours for information only not re-				
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			quired to act	JS	RB
29.	1015		B/ 26 to Dist. hook move, 1st lift 1000H 1st lift on LZ Dist 1015H, complete 1015H total 1 sortie	JS Bde	RC
30.	1020		QRF GM will have responsibility for both QRF to ARPS and Blues however we will have responsibility for one if GM QRF is called for theater Saber Blues insert 4K 30 of Vivian ARPs insert 7897	JS	RB
31.	1025		Hooper Esteem request PC to meet Duke 6 at Esteem location in reference APT team reply Duke 6 will meet PC 1500H	JS	RC
32.	1030		CIDG in contact at 0945H with est squad NVA Enemy initiated contact with S/A and at 50m 933246-CIDG's returned S/A and M-60 fire, contact broke at 0955H. Enemy evaded to NE. neg assessment at this time CIDG's sweeping area at this time-neg friendly casualties. Green fatigues grey hats-sweep of area neg results.	JS Bde	RB
33.	1045		Request Pink team, into contact area of 29 Oct blowing bunkers and checking area out. Pink team available only for contact mission	JS Bde	RB

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34.	1327		yu 079161 bunkers and garden plot, yu 007092 heavy bunkers, 965057 bunkers give to Bde 83 for target practice	JS Bde	RB
35.	1420		D/Co. 36 swept bunker complex at 934126 found 18 bunkers 20x12x5 3 ft OHC and hooches on top-asst clothing 02 1 gal water can 02 picks 01 shovel 09 open wrenches name diamond 01 large Vice- 02 AK-47 mag. 01 drill and est hits name poland 01 9mm carbine mag. 2500' of 1/4 " nylon rope 08 bikes, 02 Chi Com grenades, 15 rds AK-47 ast med supplies, bike parts chains, sprockets, tubes, spokes bearings, 114 lbs of rice, 01 book 200 pages hand written misc NVA equip 01 NVA KIA, 02 SKS, sn 10105613 NVA money 500P some documents on KIA also 01 pair bloody pants and shirt. 03 packs misc. contents 85th rear service	JS Bde	RB
36.	1532		BDA of A/S tot 29 Oct 1740H 934126 4 bunkers 20x12 destroyed 01 KBA	JS Bde	RB
37.	1555		CIDG's in contact with 03 NVA at 1525H. Contact broke 1540, CIDG engaged 03 enemy at 25 m with S/A result 01 NVA KIA neg friendly casualties, further readout to fellow. 917257		

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			The enemy evaded to the S after returning S		
			A fire NVA had AK-47 no packs-CIDG have total		
			1 NVA KIA 01 AK-47, NVA green uniforms sweep		
			of area neg. findings	JS Bde	RC
38.	1605		C/Co PZ will be xu 990156-PZ time 1000H	JS	RC
39.	1630		Final plans sent in to Bde	JS Bde	RB
40.	1640		Extraction of B/26 1st lift off PZ Dist. 1615		
			complete 1630H total 1 sortie to Ellen	JS Bde	RC
41.	1743		IR boxes to activate 30 Oct evening hours 1023		
			1024, 1037, 1036, Request from Division back-		
			haul to this loc all ammo trunks, PFSH type		
			50- AK-47 mags- AK-47 pouches ammo. Bles		
			extracted xt 899079, LZ green	JS	RB
43.	1820		Sniffers 969188-979158-975145-090167-last 2		
			cobra expended tot 1355 to 1740	JS	RB
44.	1828		Hatchet Report Flt Sq.		
			Day -- 6 0		
			night-- 5 0		
			11 0	JS Bde	RB
45.	1830		Delayed 1630H request fixed wing aircraft for		
			150 pax of Vietnamese to go from Bu Dop to		
			Duc Phong at 1000H on 1 Nov. 69. Bn 4 re-		
			layed message to Bde 4, closing time at		
			Duc Phong NLT 1700H 1 Nov 69	JS	RB

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46.	1840	✓	1/5 location A-Vivian, B-823052, C-898143, D-Quan Loi, E-Vivian, E/16-opcon 1/7, 1/7 locs, A-954832, B-028012, C-Wescott E-Wescott, D-967978, E-36-049985, E-16-876967 E 1/5-870953	JS	RB
47.	1912		1/5 CIDG had contact at 905098 time 0830 w/sub oak size element engaged with organics enemy returned fire and evaded to SW. VC in dark green fatigues w/paks and AK-47's	JS	RB
48.	2055		Tentative plans for 1 Nov turned into Bde. JPM took plans	JS Bde	JB
49.	2105		CIDG objective for tomorrow-925305	JS Bde	GC
50.	2120		Move of C/Co. and B/Co. will be made with hooks instead of slicks	JS	JF
51.	2130		Duke 6 advises Bde against the use of hooks for C/Co. extraction Bde has been advised of the conditions of the LZ. If hooks are used 1/8 requests a pilot early morning 31 Oct to check area of LZ	JS Bde	GC
52.	2200		All units situation negative. Next commo with A/Co.	JS	JF
53.	2235		Request number and breakdown of hook sorties to move Bn from Ellen to Jerri. Also what		

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			order will companies move. What company will		
			will be first to move to Wescott. Bde needs		
			info every night with order of movement A/Co.		
			D/Co. E/Co. B/Co., C/Co. Breakdown follows,		
			Bn. Hq. and Equipment 14 hooks E/Co. intact		
			w/ammo, 04 hooks, Class V 04 hooks,	JS Bde	GC
54.	2245		Star to old to fire tot 1915H 1930 ya 030230		
			1 on river	JS	JF
55.	2300		All units situation negative. No commo with		
			A/Co.	JS	JF
56.	2400		Summary: 1) CIDG in contact at 0945, neg.		
			enemy assessment or neg friendly casualties.		
			No. 32 for readout. 2) D/Co. found numerous		
			things in bunker complex including 01 NVA		
			KIA. No 35 for readout. 3) CIDG in contact		
			with 03 ind. result 01 NVA KIA No. 37 for		
			readout. A/Co. conduct ground recon SE to		
			vic grid 970148 will search area for trail		
			complexes and cache sites. Plt. size ambushes		
			at night. B/Co. Base defense of FSB Ellen,		
			B/Co. 16 will airlift to Bo Dic District Hq		
			and conduct joint operation in reconnaissance		
			of area surrounding Bo-Duc, following these		

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