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Name of Installation		Location		Period Covered			
S2/S3 4-3 Inf		LZ THUNDER BS 874325		From		To	
				Hour	Date	Hour	Date
				0001	16 Nov 68	2400	16 Nov 68
TIME	IN	OUT	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN		INITIALS	
01	0001		(U) Journal Opened:				
02	0100		(C) Bn. Neg. Sitrep: Loc. same.	Bde. CO, S-3		JPC	
03	0110		(C) Rec'd Intell report fr Bde. See S-2	CO, S-3 S-2		JPC	
			File.				
04	0200		(C) Neg. Sitrep: Loc. same.	Bde. Co, S-3		JPC	
05	0300		(C) Bn. Neg. Sitrep: Loc. same.	Bde. CO, S-3		JPC	
06	0400		(C) Bn. Neg. Sitrep: Loc. same.	Bde. CO, S-3		JPC	
07	0500		(C) Bn. Neg. Sitrep: Loc. same.	Bde. CO, S-3		JPC	
08	0515		(C) PF Day Locations:	CO, S3, M		JPC	
			BS801376, BS784428, BS825334, BS831-				
			335, BS834349, BS843337, BS809358,				
			BS793381, BS856322, BS797377, BS918-				
			225, BS825225, BS825335, BS834334,				
			BS828335, BS796395, BS796393, BS92-				
			3225.				
09	0600		(C) Bn. Neg. Sitrep: Loc. same.	Bde. CO, S-3		JPC	
10	0700		(C) Co. C. LP closed 0610hrs. all other	Bde. CO, S-3		JPC	
			ele. Loc. same.				
11	0703		(C) 1st Plat. C. Co. moved fr CP 0700H.				
12	0755		(C) Bn. Neg. Sitrep:	Bde. CO, S-3		MT	
			Co. A. same loc. First ele of B. Co.				
			closing in on LZ BRONCO. Co. C. (-)	DOWNGRADED AT 3 YR. INTER			
				DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YRS			
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	IN	OUT			
12	(Cont'd)		(C) Same loc. 1st Plat loc. BS914231 Co. D. same loc.		
13	0900		(C) Bn. Neg. Sitrep: Co. A. same loc. Co. B. ele closed in on LZ BRONCO, C. Co.(-) LZ CHARLIE BROWN, 1st Plat BS978231, 2nd Plat. Co. D. same loc. 3d Plat closed in on LZ THUNDER at 0845h.	CO, S-3	MT
14	0925		(C) At 0925H C. Co. req DUSTOFF for US with broken arm, BS904229. Kelley, William 1st LT. 05350248, DUSTOFF compl at 0936.	Bde. CO, S-3	MT
15	0955		(C) Bn. Sitrep. Neg. Co. A. LZ BRONCO Co. B. closed in at LZ BRONCO at 0925hrs. Co. C.(-) LZ CHARLIE BROWN, 1st Plat BS904229, 2nd Plat BS930247. Co. D. LZ THUNDER.	Bde. CO, S-3	MT
16	1055		(C) Bn. Sitrep. Neg. Loc. same. Except 1st Plat Co. C. BS893230.	CO, S-3	MT

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ITEM NR	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INT- TIONS
	IN	OUT			
17	1100		(C) At 1035H Co. C. 81mm Mort..fired on susp. <del>one</del> loc. BS932227. Results two secd. explosions, 2nd Plat Co. C. will Recon.	Bde. CO, S-3	MT
18	1155		(C) Bn. Sitrep. Neg. All Unit loc. same, except, 1st Plat C. Co. BS893232, 2nd Plat C. Co. BS 932243.	Bde. CO, S-3	MT
19	1240		(C) At 1230H Co. D. 1st and 2nd Plat moved out on today's opn fr LZ THUNDER.		
20	1245		(C) Co. D. 2nd Plat rec'd SA fire fr vic BS875344, Gunships called in neg. res on target.	Bde. CO, S-3	MT
21	1250		(C) Recon Plat move out fr LZ THUNDER for today's opn.	CO, S-3	MT
22	1355		(C) Bn. Neg. Sitrep: , Co's A and B. LZ BRONCO Co. C.(-) LZ CHARLIE BROWN, 1st Plat BS891211, 2nd Plat BS932228. Recon Plat(-) and 1sqd BS839338. 2nd sqd BS846328, 3d sqd. BS859319.	Bde CO, S3, M	MT
23	1400		(C) Bde. called; between 162200H and 16-		

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ITEM NR	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	RE- MARKS
	IN	OUT			
23	(Cont'd)		(C) 2400H Nov 68. Helicopter w/starlight scope will patrol Hwy # 1. Amb's along Hwy # 1 notified.		
24	1425		(C) C. Co. 2nd Plat closed in on LZ CHARLIE BROWN.	Bde, CO, S3, M	MT
25	1500		(C) En. Hq. Sitrep: loc. A. Co. LZ BRONCO B. Co. LZ BRONCO C. Co.(-) LZ THUNDER, 1st Plat BS 891211. D. Co.(-) LZ THUNDER, 1st Plat BS 862343, 2nd Plat BS875344. Recon LZ BRONCO.	Bde, CO, S3, M	MT
26	1500		(C) LATE ENTRY: At 1420H C. Co. req DUSTOFF for 1 US. line # 148. Individual unconscious unk origin. DUSTOFF completed 1455hrs.	CO, S-3, S-1	MT
27	1525		(C) Rec rpt fr 4.2 Mort Plat: Line 1-9      6-0 2-0      7-18 3-10     9-58 4-19 5-40	Bde. CO, S-3	MT

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	IN	OUT					
28	1530		(C) At 1512H Coord. BS912237, C & C apprehended one VCS MAM who stated he was cutting grass. (No grass cutter). VN in area stated they did not know him. Ext to LZ BRONCO PW Compound for questions.	Bde. CO, S-3	MT		
29	1600		(C) Bn. Neg. Sitrep: Loc. A. and B. Co.(-) LZ BRONCO. C. Co.(-) LZ CHARLIE BROWN, 2nd Plat 1st sqd Br: 94, 1st Plat BS863342, D. Co.(-) LZ THUNDER. D. Co. 1st Plat and 2nd Plat BS863-342.	Bde. CO, S3, M	MT		
30	1620		(C) At 1530H Coord BS894206, Co. C. 1st Plat detained 1 female VCS she was evaluating to Duc Pho.	Bde. CO, S-3	MT		
31	1620		(C) At 1544H Coord BS932248, C & C eng 1 VC in blue unif. Results unk due to hvy vegetation. Also at same coord C & C apprehended MAM (1), VCS on beach w/O ID card.				
32	1625		(C) LATE ENTRY: At 1450H and 1530H. Recon closed	Bde. CO, S-3	MT		
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	IN	OUT			
32	(Cont'd)		(C) LZ BRONCO, departed for OBJ 1.	CO, S-3	MT
33	1630		(C) At 1615H coord BS853358, C & C eng 1 VC evading. Results 1 VC KIA.	Bde. CO, S-3	MT
34	1630		(C) LATE ENTRY: At 1540H coord BS877193, C & C obs two poles approx 18ft. high, possibly radio Antennas, No wire was obs.	Bde. CO, S-3	MT
35	1635		(C) Recon loc: BS825376.	CO, S-3 M	MT
36	1700		(C) Bn. Neg. Sitrep: Loc. same.	CO, S-3	MT
37	1800		(C) Bn. Neg. Sitrep: Loc. A. Co. LZ BRONCO B. Co. LZ BRONCO (-) C. Co. LZ CHARLIE BROWN, 2nd Plat 1 sqd Br: 94. 1st Plat BS913203. D. Co. LZ THUNDER, Recon BS834395.	Bde. CO, S-3	MT
38	1845		(C) Recon Amb in psn BS832397.	CO, S-3 M	MT
39	1900		(C) Bn. Neg. Sitrep: Loc. same.	Bde. CO, S-3	MT
40	1905		(C) Rec PF Night and Day loc. fr Bde. Night: BS802395, BS801391, BS804- 376, BS832334, BS834348, BS806369, BS817364, BS797381, BS848325, BS7- 99377, BS888287, BS918225, BS925225.	Co, S-3 M	MT
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ITEM NR	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INITIALS		
	IN	OUT					
40	(Cont'd)		(C) Day:				
			BS802375, BS834352, BS817368, BS8-				
			16369, BS795385, BS856322, BS8003-				
			02, BS915226, BS825336, BS834344,				
			BS828335, BS924226, BS925226.	CO, S-2		MT	
41	1930		(C) LATE ENTRY:				
			At 1500H coord BS883305 C & C obs				
			1 dead VC on Hwy # 1. Ind KIA by SA				
			fire.	Bde. CO, S-3		MT	
			Rec msg fm Bde. that AO NF Zone fr				
			171700H to 181700H has been canceled.	CO, S-3 M		MT	
42	2000		(C) Bn. Neg. Sitrep: Loc. same.	Bde. CO, S-3		MT	
43	2015		(C) Red call fr Bde. 4-3 Inf will not				
			rec swift boats for opn. Due to other				
			commitments.	CO, S-3		MT	
44	2100		(C) Bn. Neg. Sitrep: Loc. same.	Bde. CO, S-3		MT	
45	2200		(C) Bn. Neg. Sitrep: Loc. same.	Bde. CO, S-3		MT	
46	2300		(C) Bn. Neg. Sitrep: Loc. same.	CO, S-3		MT	
47	2355		(C) Bn. Neg. Sitrep: Loc. same.	Bde. CO, S-3		MT	
48	2365		(C) Summary:				
			4-3 Inf rec'd light enemy SA fire				
			Throughout assigned AO. with neg. US cas.				
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DUSTOFF REQUEST

- NR 1 DATE 16 Nov 68
1. LOCATION OF PICKUP SITE BS 891211
2. REQUESTOR Co C
3. NUMBER OF PATIENTS: LITTER 1 AMBULATORY \_\_\_\_\_
4. NATIONALITY: US  VN \_\_\_\_\_ FWF \_\_\_\_\_
5. NATURE OF INJURIES Unconscious (P80)
6. CATEGORY: URGENT \_\_\_\_\_ PRIORITY  ROUTINE \_\_\_\_\_
7. CONDITION & TYPE OF PICKUP SITE Good
8. SECURITY OF PICKUP SITE Secure
9. WEATHER AT PICKUP SITE Good
10. MARKING (SMOKE, PANELS, LIGHTS, ETC.) Smoke
11. RADIO FREQUENCY \_\_\_\_\_ CALLWORD Modest Canoe 16T
12. ANY US PERSONNEL AT PICKUP SITE? YES  NO \_\_\_\_\_
13. REMARKS \_\_\_\_\_
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14. REQUEST CALLED IN BY: Bald Hitch 60
15. REQUEST RECEIVED BY Doctor Control TIME 1420
- TIME COMPLETED 1455

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FRAGORD 3-68 to OPORD 13-68, Hq 4-3 Inf

Reference: No change.

1. Task Organization:

A/4-3 Inf 11th IPSD	HHC (-)/4-3 Inf
B/4-3 Inf	Battalion Control
C/4-3 Inf 11th IPSD	Plat (-)/E-1st CAV (OPCON) C/6-11 Arty (DS)
D/4-3 Inf 11th IPSD	
E/4-3 Inf 11th IPSD	

2. 4-3 Inf continues offensive operation in S Duc Pho AO to find and destroy VC main and local units and village VC infrastructure.

3. Co A.

- a. Be prepared to conduct CA SE LZ BRONCO via LZ #1 BS861365, LZ #2 BS862356, and LZ #3 BS870363.
  1. PZ time 170650H NOV at SE Pad.
  2. LZ time 1st lift 170700H NOV.
  3. Following units LZ discretion of Commander.
- b. Conduct offensive operation in assigned AO.

4. Co B. Begin Stand Down LZ BRONCO.

5. Co C.

- a. Secures and improves defensive positions LZ CHARLIE BROWN.
- b. Conduct offensive operation AO YELLOW 170700H NOV with one (1) platoon via OBJ Y (BS903264) to OBJ H (BS905255) to OBJ F (BS899272) to OBJ G (BS905245) to OBJ J (BS911252).
- c. Conduct offensive search E of LZ CHARLIE BROWN to OBJ M (BS931224) to OBJ O (BS938230) to OBJ T (BS928264) to OBJ S (BS933279) to OBJ X (BS924282). Locate NDP via OBJ X.

6. Co D.

- a. Secures and improves defenses LZ THUNDER.
- b. Conduct offensive operation NE of LZ THUNDER with two (2) platoons 170645H NOV via OBJ 32 (BS881332) to OBJ 34 (BS873342) to blocking positions via BS865350 and via BS875350.
- c. Establish two (2) squad blocking positions via BS859319 and BS846338.

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7. Co E.

- a. Recon Plat.
  - 1. Be prepared to move to LZ BRONCO 161400H NOV.
  - 2. Conduct Recon NE of LZ BRONCO from OBJ 1 (BS832380) to OBJ 4 (BS839389) to OBJ 6 (BS835395) to OBJ 3 (BS826397) to OBJ 2 (BS820393) commencing at 161430H NOV 68.
  - 3. Conduct one (1) night amb NE of LZ PRONCO.
- b. Hvy Mort Plat: GS LZ THUNDER.
- c. GS Sec: GS LZ THUNDER.

Acknowledge:

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Annex A: Operations Overlay

Annex B: Sequential Airlift

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Annex B (SEQUENTIAL AIRLIFT SCHEDULE)

To. Frag Ord 3-68 To OPORD 13-68, Hq 4-3 Inf.

AMFTG LTC RUSSELL SEQUENTIAL AIRLIFT SCHEDULE MISSION COORDINATOR MAJ. SMITH, AVN OFF.

UNIT	PZ TIME	PZ COORD	PZ CONTACT	LZ TIME	LZ COORD	LZ CONTACT	PREP TYPE	PREP TIME	A/C	PAX
Co. A Plat. Veneer Trick	170650H Nov 68	SE Pad LZ BRONCO	Veneer Trick 15T 39.40	170700H Nov 68	BS861364	Bald Hitch 28	___	___	6	32
Co. A Plat. Veneer Trick	170710 Nov 68	SE Pad LZ BRONCO	Veneer Trick 15T 39.40	170720 Nov 68	BS863356	Bald Hitch 28	___	___	6	32
Co. A Plat. Veneer Trick	170730 Nov 68	SE Pad LZ BRONCO	Veneer Trick 15T 39.40	170740 Nov 68	BS870362	Bald Hitch 28	___	___	6	32

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