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Organization or Installation		Location	Period Covered				
S2/S3 4-3 Inf		LZ THUNDER BS 874325	From		To		
			Hour	Date	Hour	Date	
			0001	21 Nov 68	2400	21 Nov 68	
ITEM	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.			ACTION TAKEN	INITIALS
	IN	OUT					
01	0001		(U) Journal Opened:				
02	0100		(C) Bn. Neg. Sitrep: Loc. same.			Bde. CO, S-3	JPC
03	0110		(C) Flaeship in area.			CO, S-3	JPC
04	0115		(C) Msg. fr. Bde. Use PO for moving flaeship until further notice.				
			DRAGON, BS7353, Dog.				
			LZ. LIZ, BS7644, Cat				
			BRONCO, BS388138, Monkey				
			THUNDER, BS8732, Tiger				
			CHARLIE BROWN BS9372, Cow.				
05	0200		(C) Bn. Neg. Sitrep: Loc. same.			Bde. CO, S-3	JPC
06	0300		(C) Bn. Neg. Sitrep: Loc. same.			Bde. CO, S-3	JPC
07	0400		(C) Bn. Neg. Sitrep: Loc. same.			Bde. CO, S-3	JPC
08	0500		(C) Bn. Neg. Sitrep: Loc. same.			Bde. CO, S-3	JPC
09	0600		(C) Bn. Neg. Sitrep: Loc. same.			Bde. CO, S-3	JPC
			PATRICK J. SIMPSON, CPT, Inf				
10	0700		(C) Bn. Neg. Sitrep: Loc.			CO, S-3	JPC
			A. Co. LZ DRAGON			Downgraded at 3yr in	
			B. Co. LZ LIZ, 1st Plat. B. Co. close-			Declassified after 1	
			ed 0659H.				

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S2/33 4-3 INF		LZ THUNDER BS 87L325	From		To		
			Hour	Date	Hour	Date	
			0001	21 Nov 68	2100	21 Nov 68	
ITEM NR	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.			ACTION TAKEN	INITIALS
	IN	OUT					
10	(Cont'd)		(C) C. Co. LZ CHARLIE BROWN LP closed 0650H. D. Co. LZ THUNDER, 3d Plat D. Co. closed 0703H. Recon. Plat. BS787373.				
11	0720		(C) Recon Plat CA 1st Lift PZ 0655H BS787373 LZ 0705H BS780350. COLD. 2nd Lift PZ 0707H BS787373 LZ 0717H BS778341. COLD.			Pde. CO, S-3	MT
12	0800		(C) En. Neg. Sitrep: Co. A. LZ DRAGON Co. B. LZ LIZ Co. C.(-) LZ CHARLIE BROWN, 1st Plat closed in at 0745 on CHARLIE BROWN. Co. D. LZ THUNDER, 2nd Plat left LZ THUNDER, moving S for today's Opn. Recon. 1st ele BS778341. Recon. 2nd ele BS780350.			Bde. CO, S-3	MT
13	0815		(C) At 0810H B. Co. fd two boobvetrans 155 rds. At BS767432. Will destroy in place.				
14	0900		(C) En. Neg. Sitrep: <i>CONFIDENTIAL</i>			CO S-3	MT

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S2/S3 4-3 Inf	LZ THUNDER BS 874325	Hour 0001	Date 21 Nov 68	Hour 2100	Date 21 Nov 68

ITEM NO	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INITIALS
	IN	OUT			
14-	(Cont'd)		(C) Co. A. LZ DRAGON Co. B.(-) LZ LIZ, 2nd Plat BS763423. 3d Plat BS775430. Co. C. LZ CHARLIE BROWN, 1st sqd 3d Plat. closed in 0900H. Co. D.(-) LZ THUNDER 2nd Plat. BS 878304. Wpn Plat BS884323. Recon 1st ele BS780350. Recon 2nd ele. BS778355.		
15	0933		(C) Recon Plat. spotted one VC evading At BS781357. fired on him w/SA. Result one KIA VC, No wpn or ID Card or docu- ments. Also fd in the area 10rds of Cal. 30 M-1 ammunition.	Bde. CO, S-3	MT
16	0950		(C) Recon Plat fd 10 Chi Con grenades and a small amount of Medic supplies. All in a Hooch was destroyed, and the Medic supplies ^{were} were extracted.		
17	1000		(C) Bn. Neg. Sitrep: Co. A. LZ DRAGON Co. B.(-) BS779419, 2nd Plat BS768- 427. Co. C. LZ CHARLIE BROWN		

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						Location		Period Covered	
						S2/S3 4-3 Inf		From	To
			LZ THUNDER BS 874325	Hour 0001	Date 21 Nov 68	Hour 2100	Date 21 Nov 68		
17	(Cont'd)		(C) Co. D.(-) LZ THUNDER, 2nd Plat BS 875303. Wpn Plat BS878337. Recon 1st ele BS781357. Recon 2nd ele BS778335.						
18	1045		(C) D. Co. 4th Plat fd at BS884333, VC body believed to have been wounded by 3d Plat D. Co. at 200935H Nov 68. At BS 897318 also fd on Khaki Uniform in de- ceased's belongings. Result one VC WIA is now 1 VC KIA.						
19	1100		(C) Bn. Neg. Bn. Co. A. all ele closed, in on CHARLIE BROWN. Co. B. BS768427. Co. C. all ele closing in on LZ BRON- CO. Co. D.(-) LZ THUNDER. 2nd Plat BS 852303. Wpn Plat. B 884333. Recon. 1st ele same, 2nd ele same.	CO. S-3	MT				
20	1115		(C) Co. B. was attacked by a water Buff- alo, and were forced to kill him at BS 779419.						
21	1145		(C) Airlift of Co. A. fr LZ DRAGON to						

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		Hour	Date	Hour	Date
		0001	21 Nov 68	2400	21 Nov 68

ITEM NR	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INITIALS
	IN	OUT			
21	(Cont d)		(C) LZ CHARLIE BROWN. PZ 1025H LZ 1030H PZ 1030H LZ 1040H Airlift of Co. C. fr LZ CHARLIE BROWN to NE Pad, at LZ BRONCO. PZ 1035H LZ1050H PZ 1044H LZ1056H PZ 1124H LZ1145H		
22	1155		(C) CO, rpt's extensive tunnel and bunker complex, running generally NE to SW with center of mass. At BS765350.		
23	1200		(C) Bn. Neg. Sitrep: loc. Co. A. LZ CHARLIE BROWN Co. B. BS773411 Co. C. LZ BRONCO. Co. D. (-) LZ THUNDER, 2nd plat BS 892298, wpm plat BS 881333; recon 1st ele BS 778358, recon 2nd ele same		
24	1300		(C) Bn. Neg Sitrep: loc: Co A. same loc;	CO., S-3	MT

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	IN	OUT					
24	(Cont'd)		(C) Co B (-) BS 785100: Co C same Loc; Co D (-) LZ THUNDER, 2 plat, same Loc, 4th plat, BS 874340.				
25	1305		(C) Navy swift boat, SAME DRINK, has commenced their H&I program.	CO, S-3	MT		
26	1330		(C) Co. A, 1st plat, left LZ CHARLIE BROWN for today's opn.	CO, S-3	MT		
27	1348		(C) At 1348 hrs, coord. BS 845305 Co. D, 2nd plat, while on offensive sweep encountered a booby trap of unk. caliber resulting in 1 US WHA frag. wounds, left hand, back, and back of neck. Line # 108, Mooney, Orsus US 5444347.	EDE, CO, S-3	S-1 MT		
28	1405		(C) At 1400 hrs, Co. D, 4th plat, vic. BS 864334 while on offensive sweep encountered a booby trap of unk. caliber resulting in 3 U.S. WHA. Medivaced by C/C ACFT, at 1407 hrs. Inds. had face and neck wds, names;	EDE, CO, S-3, S-1	MT		

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28	(Cont'd)		(C) Line # 68 Stanley, Thomas Sp/4 US 52914931; Line # 112 Page, George W. PFC US 56565445; Line # 121 Thompson, Melvin PFC US 54929406.				
29	1420		(C) Co. D 2nd plat confirmed booby trap was a 4.2 mort rd.			BDE, CO, S-3	MT
30	1435		(C) Msg fr BDE ref item 28; Line # 121 Thompson, Melvin PFC US 54929406 KHA, Line # 68 Stanley, Thomas Sp/4 US 52914931 died of wounds at 322nd EVAC Hospital in Duc Pho.				
31	1456		(C) At 1450 hrs Co. A. 1st plat, Rec'd 10 to 12 rds A W Fire Vic BS 911227 Arty called in res unk.				
32	1455		(C) (Late entry): At 1310 hrs at BRIDGE 100, BS 898269, one APC of E Troop 1st CAV detained 2 VCS on Lambretta. Ind's had 150 dollars in Piasters. The ID's in their possession did not match.			CO, S-3	MT
33	1500		(C) Swift Boat, SAME DRINK, has compl			CO, S-3	

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TIME	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INITIALS	
	IN	OUT				
33	(Cont'd)		(C) firing H&I program.			
34	1500		(C) Bn Neg Sitrep: Loc; Co. A. (-) LZ CHARLIE BROWN, 1st plat BS 911227; Co. B. BS 796372; Co. C. LZ BRONCO; Co. D. (-) LZ THUNDER, 2nd plat BS 845300, 4th plat BS 863328; Recon LZ BRONCO.	CO, S-3	IW	
35	1550		(C) Co. A. req Dustoff for 1 US, Line #85 PFC Breckenridge, Ray US 51714348 Indv has high fever of unk origin: Dustoff completed by C/C at 1625.	CO, S-3, S-1	IW	
36	1600		(C) Bn Neg Sitrep: Loc; Co. A. (-) LZ CHARLIE BROWN, 1st plat BS 907234; Co. B. NDP BS 793361; Co's C, D, D(-), and Recon Loc same.	BDE, CO, S-3	IW	
37	1615		(C) Co. D. 2nd plat, Vic Coord BS 845304, fd and destroyed (1) small A.P. mine.	BDE, CO, S-3	IW	

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			S-2/S-3 A-3 Inf	LZ THUNDER BS 874325	0001	21 Nov 68	2100	21 Nov 68	
					EVENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.			ACTION TAKEN	INITIALS
38	1700			(C) Ref item #32: Total money fd on VCS was 607,980 Piasters.			BDE, CO, S-3	LW	
39	1700			(C) En Neg Sit Rep Loc same.			CO, S-3	LW	
40	1720			(C) Rec'd PF night & day loc: night BS798399; BS802395; BS802376; BS802374; BS832335; BS834345; BS806372; BS820360; BS793383; BS849319; BS802377; BS885286; BS915226; BS831339; BS797394; BS797395; BS796393; BS798393; BS920228; BS925224. day: BS918228.			CO, S3, M	LW	
41	1800			(C) En SITREP neg: loc same except Co A 1st plat BS909242.			BDE, CO, S3	LW	
42	1900			(C) En SITREP neg: loc same.			BDE, CO, S3	LW	
43	1910			(C) Rec rpt fr E Trp 1st CAV on Bridge 107: PF's informed E Trp 1st CAV that the VC w/be in the following grids BS837313, BS830300, BS833303.			CO, S3	LW	
44	1850			(C) B Co amb in position at BS799374.			BDE, CO, S3	LW	
45	2000			(C) En SITREP neg: loc same.			BDE, CO, S3	LW	
46	2100			(C) En SITREP neg: loc same.			BDE, CO, S3	LW	
47	2100			(C) H&I program with 50 cal fr LZ THUN- DER res in fire & secondary explosion at coords BS863329.			CO, S3	LW	

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	IN	OUT			
48	2135		(C) Rec intell rpt fr BDE: (see S-2 file)	CO,S3,S2	LW
49	2200		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE,CO,S3	LW
50	2300		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE,CO,S3	LW
51	2310		(C) Msg sent to Co B CO: Provide security for BG Cooksey by taking up positions fr BS795375 to BS812357 by 22-1030H NOV 68.	CO,S3,Co B CO	LW
52	2320		(C) Msg rec fr Bde: Severe weather warning effective 220001H. Winds 20-35 knots increasing to 40 knots with accumulation of 6 - 7 inches of rainfall.	CO,S3	LW
53	2355		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE,CO,S3	LW
54	LOG SUMMARY:		4-3 Inf ele maintained responsibility for the entire Duc Pho AO until 211030H Nov 68 when 3-1 Inf ass. responsibility for the N. Duc Pho AO leaving 4-3 Inf responsible for the S. Duc Pho AO. 2. Co A secured LZ DRAGON until 211030H when they were airlifted by CH47B helicopter to LZ CHARLIE BROWN. Co A ass. responsibility for LZ CHARLIE BROWN and AO YELLOW.		

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54	(cont)		flown over 4-3 Inf AO at approx 2330hrs however bad weather forced the arcft to return to LZ BRONCO after dropping only 3 flares to the N of LZ THUNDER. 7. Intelligence rpt fr Bde regarding movement of one NVA Bn to the W of LZ THUNDER vic Co D plat amb was forwarded to Co D; for info, and rpt filed with S-2.		
55	2400		(U) JOURNAL CLOSED		

Name and Grade of Officer on Duty RICHARD CERETY, CPT INF	Signature <i>Richard Cerety</i>
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