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				Hour Date Hour Date	
				0001 11 DEC 68 2100 11 DEC 68	
ITEM NR	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INI- TIALS
	IN	OUT			
01	0001		(U) JOURNAL OPENED		
02	0015		(C) Msg to swift boats fr Bn CO: Work E and W coord 28 - 35.	CO,S3,DO	DW
03	0020		(C) (Late Entry): At 0010H msg to Co D fr Bn CO: All comdr's will enjoin every member of this command to adhere to the following: a.) No burning of hooches un- less it is ordered by the Bn CO. b.) Mistreatment of prisoners will not be tolerated. All VN pers, to include PW's WB treated fairly with respect and gent- leness. c.) Indiscriminate firing of wpns at indigenous pers or into hooches will not be tolerated.	Co D,DO	DW
04	0030		(C) Msg to Co C: Loc of amb nos BS722- 471 & BS723456. Move 111000H DEC 68.	Co C,DO	DW
05	0100		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE,DO	DW
06	0200		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE,DO	DW
07	0200		(C) (Late Entry): At 0105H Co B's 81mm caught a hooch on fire by accident.	DO	DW
08	0220		(C) Grid BS820395 cleared with flare ship for flares.	DO Downgraded at 3yr Declassified after	DW
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	IN	OUT			
09	0300		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE,DO	DW
10	0400		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE,DO	DW
11	0500		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE,DO	DW
12	0600		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE,DO	DW
13	0645		(C) Co A 3rd plat closed on LZ THUNDER.	DO	JPC
14	0745		(C) Co A (-) started moving for todays op at this time.	DO	JPC
15	0750		(C) Co C 3rd plat closed on LZ LIZ.	DO	JPC
16	0800		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A (-) base of LZ THUNDER, 3rd plat same; Co B (-) & Ren LZ CHARLIE BROWN, 1st plat BS917- 253, 1st sqd 3rd plat Bridge 94; Co C LZ LIZ; Co D (-) LZ DRAGON, 3rd plat LZ THUNDER.	BDE,DO	JPC
17	0810		(C) Co D 1st plat moved out for todays op at this time.	DO	JPC
18	0825		(C) Co B req DUSTOFF at coord BS929220 for VN boy with 3rd degree burns. Compl at 0850H.	DO	JPC
19	0855		(C) Air Force called: Putting air strike at coord BS855235. Bomb damage assess- ment neg.	S3-Air. Co A	JPC

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	HR	OUT					
20	0900		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A (-) BS841-319, 3rd plat same; Co B (+) LZ CHARLIE BROWN, 3rd plat closed LZ CHARLIE BROWN at 0830H; Co C same; Co D (-) same, 1st plat BS715525.	DO	JPC		
21	0930		(C) Co A coord BS844315 fd (1) NVA ruck sack, (1) rice sack, (3) NVA shirts, (1) soft cap, (13) M-16 mags with ammo, (2) ammo cans, (1) NVA canteen, docu, (1) hammock, (2) med kits compl, (14) rds M-14, (1) NVA pair of pants, (1) US gren (old type), (1) Chi Comm gren, (4) M-1 clips with ammo, (2) 15 rd mags for Carbine, (1) 105mm dud rd, (1) pair VN boots, (20) punji sticks (12 to 14 inches long), (1) 155mm dud rd, and (1) M-26 frag gren.	BDE,CO,S3	JPC		
22	1000		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A (-) BS844-315, 3rd plat same; Co A wpns plat at MT MONTEZUMA; Co B (-) & Ron same, 1st plat BS903266; Co C same; Co D (-) LZ DRAGON, 1st plat BS675548.	BDE,DO	JPC		
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	IN	OUT					
23	1100		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A all elms same; Co B (-) & Rcn same, 1st plat BS- 898263; Co C same; Co D (-) same, 1st plat BS693548.	DO	JPC		
24	1200		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A all elms same; Co B (-) & Rcn same, 1st plat same, 2nd plat BS899257; Co C same; Co D (-) same, 1st plat BS693563.	BDE,DO	JPC		
25	1215		(C) Rec intel repts fr Bde S2: (see S2 files).	DO,S2	JPC		
26	1250		(C) Co A at BS831324 fd (1) Chi Com gren and will blow it in place.	DO	JPC		
27	1300		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A (-) BS829- 324, 3rd plat same; Co B (-) & Rcn same, 1st plat BS906253; Co's C & D same.	DO	JPC		
28	1400		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A all elms same; Co B (-) & Rcn same, 1st plat BS- 896263; Co C same; Co D (-) same, 1st plat BS694563.	BDE,DO	JPC		
29	1410		(C) Co C 1st & 2nd plat departing LZ LIZ at this time.	DO	JPC		
30	1420		(C) Rec intel rept fr Bde S2: (see S2 files).	DO,S2	JPC		
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ITEM NR	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INITIALS
	IN	OUT			
31	1445		(C) 4.2 ammo rept called into Bde.	DO	JPC
32	1515		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A (-) BS840-310, 1st plat BS841300, 3rd plat same; Co B (-) & Ren same, 1st plat BS905257; Co C (-) LZ LIZ, 1st plat BS733440, 2nd plat BS738438; Co D (-) same, 1st plat BS705552.	DO	EET
33	1540		(C) Co D at BS715545 rec AW fire req gunships. Arty WB used instead of gunships. Notified 1st plat Co D.	BDE, DO	EET
34	1550		(C) At BS715545 Co D 1st plat detained 3 MAM at 1545H. One MAM 65 yrs old & one 60, both with ID's, and one 18-20 yrs old neg ID.	BDE, DO	EET
35	1614		(C) At BS748480 C&C app 1 M VCS and took indiv to LZ BRONCO.	BDE, DO	EET
36	1615		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A (-) BS845-308, 1st plat BS841300; Co B all elms same; Co C all elms same; Co D (-) same, 1st plat BS715545.	BDE, DO	EET
37	1630		(C) CH-47B's to airlift 1 plat fr Co B & Ren to LZ BRONCO.	BDE, S3, DO	EET

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	IN	OUT			
38	1655		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A (-) closed LZ THUNDER at 1630H; Co B (-) LZ CHARLIE BROWN, 2nd plat & Ren LZ BRONCO; Co C (-) same, 1st plat BS735455, 2nd plat BS735444; Co D LZ DRAGON, 1st plat closed LZ DRAGON at 1650H.	DO	EET
39	1710		(C) Task Force PRYOR airlift: PZ LZ CHARLIE BROWN 1710H - LZ LZ BRONCO 1720H.	DO	EET
40	1800		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A same; Co B (-) same, 2nd plat & Ren same, 1st plat BS905264; Co C (-) same, 1st plat BS735455, 2nd plat BS735444; Co D same.	BDE,DO	EET
41	1850		(C) Rec PF amb loc for night & day.	Posted	EET
42	1855		(C) Bn strength rept: Co A 108, Co B (+) 146, Co C 111, Co D 122, Co E (-) 33.	Posted	EET
43	1900		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc, same.	BDE,DO	EET
44	1905		(C) At BS935203 Co B fired on two (2) fishing boats and got two (2) hits on one boat. Fishing boats evaded to SE with swift boats in pursuit.	BDE,DO	EET
45	1920		(C) Co C 2nd plat in amb pos at BS729448; Co B 2nd sqd 3rd plat on Bridge 94.	DO	EET

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46	1936		(C) Co A 1st plat amb in pos at BS844282.	DO	EET
47	1950		(C) Co C 1st plat 1st & 2nd sqd at BS- 730469.	DO	EET
48	2000		(C) Co D 2nd plat amb in pos at BS721449.	DO	EET
49	2025		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE,DO	EET
50	2025		(C) All amb pos called into Bde.	DO	EET
51	2030		(C) Rec intel rept fr Bde S2: (see S2 files rept #1).	S2,DO	EET
52	2030		(C) Co B amb site 1st plat at BS902267 and BS906267.	BDE,DO	EET
53	2035		(C) Rec intel rept fr Bde S2: (see S2 files rept #2).	DO,CO,S3	EET
54	2100		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE,S3,DO	EET
55	2100		(C) Task Force PRYOR unable to get past gate at LZ BRONCO at this time.	BDE,CO,S3,DO	EET
56	2105		(C) Ref item #55: Now enroute to loc.	BDE,CO,S3	EET
57	2110		(C) SA fire heard by Co C coming fr village of Kim Goia, BS773430.	BDE,CO,S3,DO	EET
58	2120		(C) Co B repts they fired M-79 & M-60 rds into two (2) boats. Swift boat elm after boats unable to catch them. Co B req three (3) KIA's. Will check for boats in morning.	BDE,CO,S3	EET
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59	2135		(C) (Late Entry): TF PRYOR route of march was called into Bde at 1830H by CPT Jones (Bn DO). March is fr BS803-373 to BS730325; Clear fire on both sides for 1500 M. Clear grids are: 7231, 7736, 7236, and 7731.	BDE,CO,S3,DO	EET
60	2150		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE,S3,DO	EET
61	2200		(C) TF PRYOR crossed 1st check point.	DO	EET
62	2300		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE,DO	EET
63	2300		(C) TF PRYOR crossed check point #2.	S3,DO	EET
64	2350		(C) TF PRYOR crossed check point #3.	DO	EET
65	2353		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE,DO	EET
66	2355		(C) Radar repts 3 pers heading N at BS-899317. Swift boats are checking area out.	DO	DU
67	LOG Summary:		4-3 Inf continued security and offensive sweep ops in S Duc Pho AO. Effective 110600H DEC 68 4-3 Inf assumed responsibility for the N Duc Pho AO. Co A conducted sweep W of LZ THUNDER. Co B continued security of LZ CHARLIE BROWN and ops in AO YELLOW. Co C assumed responsibility for LZ LIZ. Co C conducted sweep W of LZ LIZ. Co D assumed responsibility for LZ DRAGON and conducted sweep W of		cont
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DUSTOFF REQUEST NR _____ DATE 11 Dec.

1. LOCATION OF PICKUP SITE Q29 220

2. REQUESTOR "B" Company

3. NUMBER OF PATIENTS: LITTER _____ AMBULATORY

4. NATIONALITY: US _____ VN FWF _____

5. NATURE OF INJURIES Third degree Burns

6. CATEGORY: URGENT _____ PRIORITY _____ ROUTINE

7. CONDITION & TYPE OF PICKUP SITE Good

8. SECURITY OF PICKUP SITE Good

9. WEATHER AT PICKUP SITE Good

10. MARKING (SMOKE, PANELS, LIGHTS, ETC.) Smoke

11. RADIO FREQUENCY 4570 CALLWORD Escaped Attempt 21

12. US PERSONNEL AT PICKUP SITE? YES NO _____

13. REMARKS: _____

14. REQUEST CALLED IN BY _____

15. REQUEST RECEIVED BY _____ TIME 0825

TIME COMPLETED 0950

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Reference: Maps, South Vietnam; 1:50,000; Series L7014; Sheets 6738I, 6738II, 6838III, and 6838IV.

1. Task Organization:

A/4-3 Inf	NHC (-)/4-3 Inf
B/4-3 Inf (-)	Battalion Control
C/4-3 Inf	A/6-11th Arty (DS)
D/4-3 Inf (-)	C/6-11th Arty (DS)
E/4-3 Inf (-)	C/3-18th Arty (GS)

TF PRYOR:

- a. /B/4-3 Inf
- b. /D/4-3 Inf
- c. Recon /E/4-3 Inf

2. 4-3 Inf conducts offensive search operations in Duc Pho AO with Co A/LZ THUNDER, Co B (-)/LZ CHARLIE BROWN, Co C/LZ LIZ, Co D (-)/LZ DRAGON, and Co E (-)/LZ THUNDER.

3. Co A:

- a. Secures and improves defensive positions LZ THUNDER.
- b. Conducts offensive search operations to OBJ X (BS889323) to OBJ C (BS880335) to OBJ H (BS873349) to OBJ R (BS867356) to OBJ S (BS884-357) to OBJ Q (BS862352) to OBJ B (BS867344) then return to LZ THUNDER.

4. Co B (-): Continues present mission.

5. Co C: Continues present mission.

6. Co D (-): Continues present mission.

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7. Co E (-):

- a. Hvy Mort plat; GS LZ THUNDER.
- b. GS Sec; GS LZ THUNDER.

8. Task Force PRYOR: Continues present mission.

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Annex A: Operations Overlay

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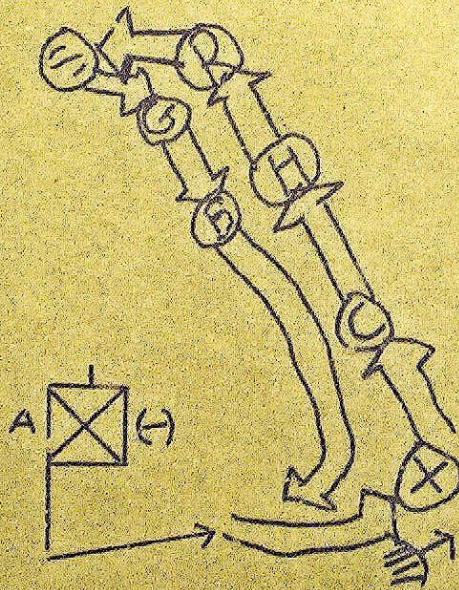
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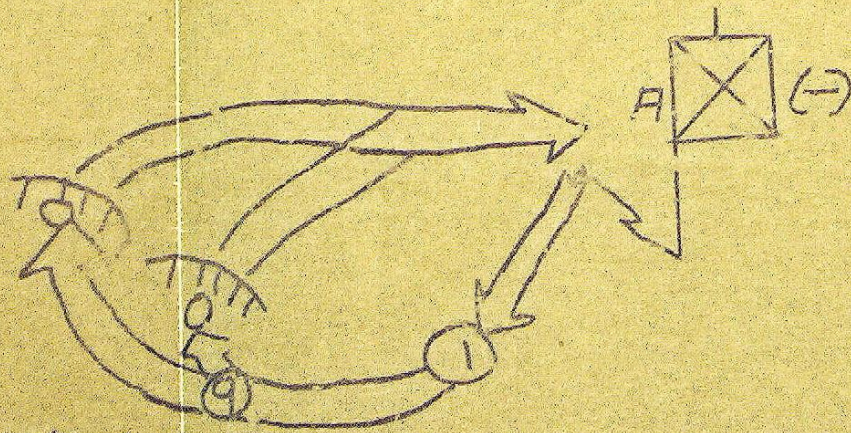
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