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S-2/S-3 4-3 Inf		LZ THUNDER BS874325		From Hour Date 0001 25 DEC 68	To Hour Date 2400 25 DEC 68
ITEM NR	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INITIALS
	IN	OUT			
01	0001		(U) JOURNAL OPENED.		
02	0100		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.	BDE, DO	DAW
03	0200		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.	BDE, DO	DAW
04	0300		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.	BDE, DO	DAW
05	0400		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.	BDE, DO	DAW
06	0500		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.	BDE, DO	DAW
07	0600		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.	BDE, DO	DAW
08	0700		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; All ele the same except Co A 1st plat which closed LZ BRONCO 0640H.	DO	EET
09	0740		(C) Dustoff Req for Recon Plat Line # 46. PFC Clark, Averell RA67111034. PFC Clark was sick and collapsed.	DO	EET
10	0745		(C) Co C 2nd plat closed LZ BRONCO. Co D 2nd plat closed LZ THUNDER.	DO	EET
11	0800		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Co A LZ BRONCO; Co B LZ CHARLIE BROWN, 1st plat B-94, 2nd plat (BS911237); Co C LZ BRONCO; Co D LZ THUNDER; Recon (BS863- 303).	DO, BDE	EET
12	0840		(C) Bde CO dep'd here for LZ CHARLIE BROWN.	BDE, CO, S3, DO	EET
				Downgraded at 3yr 1 Declassified after	
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13	0900		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; All else same except Co B 1st plat closed LZ CHARLIE BROWN at 0850H, 2nd plat (BS932227).	DO	EET
14	0915		(C) Recon closed LZ THUNDER	DO	EET
15	0930		(C) Co B 2nd plat closed LZ CHARLIE BROWN.	DO	EET
16	1000		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.	BDE, DO	EET
17	1100		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.	DO	EET
18	1200		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.	BDE, DO	EET
19	1230		(C) Dustoff req for Line #71 Co B. PFC Ampacher, Robert US54666598.	BDE, SL, DO	EET
20	1250		(C) Dustoff req for Line #59 & #33 Co B. (59): Sp/4 Geary, Thomas US54820512; (33): Sp/4 Reynolds, Gordon RA12903545.	BDE, SL, DO	EET
21	1300		(C) Ref Items #19 & 20: 1/4 ton was amb with AW & M-79 at (BS918238).	BDE, SL, DO	EET
22	1310		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.	DO	EET
23	1355		(C) Ref Items #19 & 21: PFC Ampacher Robert, Co B, DOA 312th Evn Hosp, Chu Lai.	----	PJS
24	1400		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.	BDE, DO	EET
25	1425		(C) SLICK to be at S E Pad to take per-	Co B, DO, S3	EET
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25	(Cont'd)		sons to Chu Lai. Reason: Positive ID of Line #71. Ref item #23.		
26	1440		(C) At (BS935225) E Trp 1st plat rec'd AW fire fr 5-6 positions. Gun Ship req	BDE, CO, S3, DC	EET
27	1441		(C) 4.2 ammo report called into Bde.	BDE, DO	EET
28	1445		(C) Co B rec'd 15-20 rds sniper fire at (BS935225). Action taken: Co B return- ed fire. Res: SVC KIA coord (BS935229) SHARKS also rec'd fire at coord (BS935- 225).	BDE, DO	EET
29	1505		(C) Co D 1st plat dept'd LZ THUNDER for todays op.	DO	EET
30	1506		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.	DO	JPC
31	1550		(C) E Trp 1st plat rec'd sniper fire at coord (BS915235). Neg casualties.	BDE, CO	JPC
32	1600		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Co A LZ BRONCO; Co B LZ CHARLIE BROWN; Co C LZ BRONCO; Co D (-) LZ THUNDER, 1st plat (BS888313)	BDE, DO	JPC
33	1610		(C) (Late Entry): At 1535H HELIX 03 conducted an AS at coord (BS932234). 6 hootches dest'd, 3 hootches damaged. Bombs used: 6-250 Lbs, 8- napalm & 2Cmm.	BDE, DO	JPC
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	IN	OUT			
34	1610		(C) HELIX conducted an AS coord (BS-932234), one (1) spider hole damaged, 2 hootches destroyed, 1 hootch damaged. Bombs used: 8-500 lbs, 20MM.	BDE, DO	JPC
35	1620		(C) Co A Wpn plat dept'd LZ BRONCO for tonights amb.	DO	JPC
36	1630		(C) HELIX 03 conducted an AS coord (BS-932234). One (1) hootch destroyed, two (2) secondary fires; One sustained fire went 50 ft in the air. Bombs used: 6-250 lbs, 8 napalm, and 20MM.	BDE, DO	JPC
37	1700		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Co A (-) LZ BRONCO, Wpn plat (BS789386); Co B LZ CHARLIE BROWN; Co C LZ BRONCO; Co D (-) LZ THUNDER, 1st plat (BS883306); Recon LZ THUNDER.	DO	JPC
38	1705		(C) (Late Entry): 1630H Co D 1st plat apprehended three (3) VCS at coord (BS-883306). ID cards appeared to be altered. Will be extracted to LZ BRONCO.	DO	JPC
39	1730		(C) (Late Entry): Co B at coord (BS-932234) reports one (1) VC KIA by AS.	BDE, DO	JPC
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40	1800		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; All ele same except Co A Wpn plat (BS785385).	BDE, DO	JPC
41	1850		(C) Bn Strength Report: Co A, 102; Co B, 110; Co C, 117; Co D, 115; Co E, 60; Profiles, 2.	DO	JPC
42	1900		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Ele's moving to amb pos.	DO	JPC
43	1925		(C) Rec'd intel rept (See S2 files)	DO	JPC
44	1930		(C) Red'd PF day and night loc.	POSTED	JPC
45	2000		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Co A (-) LZ BRONCO, Wpn plat amb (BS785385); Co B (-) LZ CHARLIE BROWN, 1st plat (-) amb (BS910251), 1st plat 1st sqd O.P. (BS-914253); Co C (-) LZ BRONCO, 1st plat amb (BS805365); Co D (-) LZ THUNDER, 1st plat amb (BS891305); Recon LZ THUNDER.	BDE, DO	JPC
46	2100		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.	BDE, DO	JPC
47	2200		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.	BDE, DO	JPC
48	2300		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.	BDE, DO	DAW
49	2355		(C) Bn Sitrep Neg: Loc; Same.	BDE, DO	DAW
50			(C) Log Summary: 4-3 Inf continued present mission. Op's were kept to minimum due to 24 hour cease fire beginning		
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	IN	OUT					
50	(Cont'd)		241800H DEC 68 and ending 251800H DEC 68	1230H at (BS-			
			918238) a 1/4 ton trk with 4 men fr Co B was amb by AM and				
			M-79 fire res in one (1) US KIA, two (2) US WIA. At 1400H				
			at HARDSTAND, E Trp 1st plat 1/1 Cav rec'd AM fire fr (BS-				
			935225). Co B returned fire killing five (5) VC at (BS935-				
			229). AS at (BS93224) res in one (1) VC KIA. At 1630H				
			Co D 1st plat apprehended three (3) VCS at (BS883306).				
			Res of days op were six (6) VC KIA, three (3) VCS. Friendly				
			casualties were one (1) KIA, two (2) WIA.				
51	2100		(U) JOURNAL CLOSED.				

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 RICHARD P. GEREY MAJ, INF

Signature


DUSTOFF REQUEST NR 1 DATE 25 Dec

1. LOCATION OF PICKUP SITE BS 863 303

2. REQUESTOR Counter WPlift 237

3. NUMBER OF PATIENTS: LETTER AMBULATORY

4. NATIONALITY: US 1 VN RWF

5. NATURE OF INJURIES sick + collapsed

6. CATEGORY: URGENT PRIORITY ROUTINE

7. CONDITION & TYPE OF PICKUP SITE Good

8. SECURITY OF PICKUP SITE Secure

9. WEATHER AT PICKUP SITE Cloudy

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

11. RADIO FREQUENCY 45.70 CALLWORD Counter WPlift 237

12. US PERSONNEL AT PICKUP SITE? YES NO

13. REMARKS Line No. 46

14. REQUEST CALLED IN BY Muddy R. Plk 19

15. REQUEST RECEIVED BY Doctor Control TIME 0740

TIME COMPLETED 0855

LINE # 46

CLARK, AUERELL, PFC, RA 67111034

DUSTOFF REQUEST NR 1 DATE 25 Dec 68

1. LOCATION OF PICKUP SITE 918238

2. REQUESTOR S-4

3. NUMBER OF PATIENTS: LITTER 01 AMBULATORY _____

4. NATIONALITY: US 01 VN _____ FWF _____

5. NATURE OF INJURIES: HEAD injury (severe)

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 ~~4125~~ CALLWORD _____

12. US PERSONNEL AT PICKUP SITE? YES NO _____

13. REMARKS: Jeep WAS DRIVING TO CHARLIE BROWN + hit A mine.

14. REQUEST CALLED IN BY Muddy Rifle 23

15. REQUEST RECEIVED BY Charlie Charlie TIME 1225

TIME COMPLETED 1230

DUSTOFF REQUEST NR 2 DATE 25 Dec 68

1. LOCATION OF PICKUP SITE HARDSTAND-

2. REQUESTOR B Co

3. NUMBER OF PATIENTS: LETTER 7 AMBULATORY 1

4. NATIONALITY: US 2 VN _____ FIF _____

5. NATURE OF INJURIES: BROKEN leg, Head Injury

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 _____ CALLWORD _____

12. US PERSONNEL AT PICKUP SITE? YES NO _____

13. REMARKS: Line numbers ~~59~~ ~~33~~ 59 33 .

14. REQUEST CALLED IN BY Muddy Rifle 14

15. REQUEST RECEIVED BY CHARLIE-CHARLIE TIME 1245

TIME COMPLETED 1250