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ORGANIZATION OR INSTALLATION S-2/S-3 4th Bn, 3d Inf			LOCATION LZ SAN JUAN		PERIOD COVERED				
			FROM		TO				
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			0001	30 Dec 69	2100	30 Dec 69			
ITEM NO.	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INITIALS				
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01	0001		(C) Journal opened; Bn SITREP neg; loc Co A NDP BS615403, Co B NDP BS700423, Co C NDP LZSJ Co D NDP BS657342; SRRP 1-A BS617396, SRRP 2 BS639393, SRRP's 3, 4, LZSJ						
02	0100		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same; neg contact w/ SRRP 1-A.	DO					NC
03	0200		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.	DO					NC
04	0300		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.	DO					NC
05	0400		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.	DO					NC
06	0455		(C) Rec 4.2 ammo rept. Rd on hand: HE 619. Illum 343, WP 63, CS 24.	Bde, DO					NC
07	0500		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.	DO					NC
08	0506		(U) Rec significant events rept fr Bde and also weather rept. Variable cloudiness, light showers; wind 5-15 knots, temp H 77 - L 70.	DO					NC
09	0600		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.	DO					NC
10	0620		(C) Beacon PINGNECK 379 on sta 0455, off 0620 tgt BS658310, drop 22-500 lb bombs, rept en loc Res: 1 secd explo.	Bde, DO					NC
11	0800		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.	DO					NC
12	0800		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.	DO					NC
13	0822		(C) Co D vic BS656340 eng 5 NVA/VC; Following is cont of equip CIA: Docu, 5 packs (2 NVA 3 home made), 120 lb rice, 1 home made grenade 3 bottles of pills, 1 knife, 4 NVA canteens, 3 1st aid bandages, 5 hammocks, 3 pr sandals 4 sets gray uniforms, 2 lg pans, 3 NVA ponchos, 1 bottle insect repellent, 1 can foot powder.	Bde, DO					JS
14	0837		(C) Co B BS703420 at 0830.	DO					JS
15	0850		(U) AO ext APREQS for AO ext #61, #109 appr by both MINH LONG, BA TO, rspv by JGE, Div TOC, SGT WILLIAMS; 11th Bde by SP4 DOUGLAS ext appr for 15 more days; rec by CPT HURLEY, Bn S-3 Air.	DO					JS

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16	0900		(C) En SITREP neg; loc same expt Co B BS703420 Co D PB BS657342.	Bde, DO	JS		
17	0908		(C) Beacon RINGNECK 360 tgt BS666309, on sta 0818, 0900; drop 18-500 lb bombs sus en loc.	Bde, DO	JS		
18	1050		(U) FAC 34 came on sta; 0950 hr.	DO	JS		
19	1055		(C) 1000 En SITREP neg; loc same expt Co A PB PB BS615403, 2nd Plat BS620398, 3d Plat BS608397; Co B BS704413 neg radio contact; Co D PB BS657342, 1st Plat BS661338, 3d Plat mov E; SRRP 2 BS639393, Recon (-) LZSJ.	Bde, DO	JS		
20	1100		(C) Msg fr Bde: LRRP Tm RED DEATH inserted 300820 Dec 69; insert loc BS702272; present loc BS704274. LRRP's obsrv mov to their NW at 400m.	DO	JS		
21	1115		(C) At 1105, 3d Plat Co A vic BS608397 obsrv 4-5 MVA/VC vic BS589415; FAC 34 on sta to obsrv and direct Arty fr LZSJ.	Bde, DO	JS		
22	1130		(C) Bn SITREP neg; loc same expt Co A 2nd Plat BS621395; Co B BS703403; Co C LZSJ; Co D 1st Plat BS660336, 3d Plat BS657348, Recon same.	DO	JS		
23	1155		(U) Msg fr FISHER, Bde: add Beacon RINGNECK 380 for 1400 hr.	DO	JS		
24	1200		(C) Ref item #21, LZSJ Arty 105mm fired 34 rd HE, res unk.	DO	JS		
25	1205		(C) Bn SITREP neg; loc Co A PB same, 2nd Plat BS617397, 3d Plat BS608397, Co C LZSJ, Co D PB same, 1st Plat BS659335, 3d Plat BS668346, Recon same.	Bde, DO	JS		
26	1208		(U) FAC 34 broke sta.	DO	JS		
27	1210		(U) FAC 32 on sta 1050 hr; broke sta 1125 hr.	DO	JS		
28	1215		(C) CPT HURLEY called ammo count to CPT FARNELL, Bn S-4; 4.2 mort HE 131, 4.2 WP 165, Illum 315 (4.2); 81mm HE critical, rqn on emerg basis.	Bde, DO	JL		
29	1220		(C) Co B 2nd Plat vic BS701401 obsrv 3 VC approx 250m W of 2nd Plat pos; eng VC w/ SA, Arty, res unk. 2nd Plat searching area now fd 2 pr sandals, 2 81mm ammo boxes w/ D/4-3 marking.	Bde, DO	JS		
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30	1230		(C) Co B vic BS701401 fd 1 pack; Contents: 1 set black PJ's, 1 notebook, 1 GI type tablet w/ writing, 1 sm bag of medicine, 2 NVA ponchos, 2 pkg tobacco, 2 bags hard candy.	Bde, DO	JS			
31	1245		(U) DO, 1LT CANGINO sent APREQS to Bde for 1 Tracker Tm for Co B.	Bde, DO	JS			
32	1247		(U) Ref, #31, Tracker Tm appr by CPT SAFFOLD, Bde.	DO	JS			
33	1305		(U) Co A 2nd Plat closed into PB 1250 hr.	DO	JS			
34	1310		(C) Bn SITREP neg; loc same expt Co A 2nd Plat closed into PB, 3d Plat closing; Co B BS700398; Co D 1st Plat BS654330, 3d Plat BS622346; Recon (-) LZSJ: SRRP 2 BS638389.	DO	JS			
35	1330		(C) 1305, Co D 3d Plat vic BS662346 on patrol encountered 2 NVA mov 3d Plat's rear in SW dir; eng en w/ SA range 50m; res: 1 NVA WIA (blood trails); both en evaded to SW, both armed w/ AK-47's, both wore green uniforms.	Bde, DO	JS			
36	1335		(C) Co B 1st Plat amb BS702403.	DO	JS			
37	1340		() Tracker Tm w/ Co B 1315 hr.	DO	JS			
38	1408		(C) 1305, Co B 2nd Plat vic BS695387 mov, obsrv 15 sets fresh tracks; 2nd, 3d Plat's w/ Tracker Tm is searching area; tracks mov S dir.	Bde, DO	JS			
39	1410		(C) Bn SITREP neg; loc same expt Co A mov S fr BS615403; Co B PB same, 1st Plat amb BS702403, 2nd and 3d Plat BS695387; Co D PB same, 1st Plat BS661-337, 3d Plat BS661332; Recon same.	Bde, DO	JS			
40	1435		(U) Msg fr Bde:(S-3); Names will not be used on secure, or plain at anytime.	DO	JS			
41	1455		(U) Rec msg fr Bde: 1150: An NVA POW CIA this morning by 4-21 Inf. POW stated that the 403d Sapper Bn is loc at LAN LAO; there is presently 2 Co's by the river; one on the N side, center mass BS640285. Both Co's are dispersed in this general area. Bde desires 4-3d TOC work up Beacons on both grids. (2nd loc on S side of river vic BS640285 w/ center mass. Do not put any kind of fire in these areas until Bde S-3 has talked to us. An API					

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41	cont		An APD msn in this area this morning; msg fr CPT SAFFOLD, Bde. Also Sniffer msn 1330 hr had "hot" reading in both above mentioned grids.	DO	JS			
42	1512		(C) At 1445, Co vic BS604395 obsrv vic BS599-403 5 NVA/VC and 1 water buffalo; obsrv them w/ binoculars, range approx 1600m; LZSJ Arty called in on en. Res: 1 NVA HBA wore brown uniform. KBA confirmed thru binoculars. B/Btry 6-11 Arty fired 22 HE.	Bde, DO	JS			
43	1519		(C) 1500 Bn SITREP neg; loc same expt Co A BS604395; Co B BS700396, 1st Plat BS702403, 2nd, 3d Plat BS693385, Co D PB BS657342; SRRP 2 BS642389.	DO	JS			
44	1525		(C) Beacon RINGNECK 380 on sta 1442, off 1520 drop 18-500 lb bombs tgt BS63752840 sus en loc	Bde, DO	JS			
45	1530		(U) CPT HURLEY, Bn S-3 Air, sent plans compl to Bde.	Bde, DO	JS			
46	1600		(C) MG RAMSEY, VCG ANCAL, arr LZSJ 1600.	Bde, DO	JS			
47	1605		(C) At 1520, Co B 2nd, 3d Plat w/ Tracker Tm vic BS693385 fd 25 bunkers and sleeping pos 6ft x 8ft; unable to dest due to construction loc not used for some time (cobwebs).	Bde, DO	JS			
48	1615		(C) Ref #46, MG RAMSEY dept LZSJ 1615 hr.	Bde, DO	JS			
49	1620		(C) 1600 Bn SITREP neg; loc same expt Co A NDP BS604395; Co B PB BS700395; Co D NDP BS662342; SRRP 2 BS637390.	Bde, DO	JS			
50	1630		(C) DO, 1LT CANCINO sent APREQS for Beacon grids to Bde; Grids appr and GILROY, Bde rec; Grids: BS658418, BS702319, BS611434; for 31 Dec 69.	Bde, DO	JS			
51	1635		(C) DO, 1LT CANCINO sent Warlord Box APREQS for 31 Dec 69 to Bde; GILROY, Bde rec, DTG 310600 - 311800 Dec 69; grids: BS6734, BS6731, BS6931, BS6934.	Bde, DO	JS			
52	1640		(C) Initial check w/ 4-3 Inf Cnd under control of Co D; Internal 46.85.	Bde, DO	JS			
53	1645		(C) DO, 1LT CANCINO sent Shadow Box APREQS to Bde; DTG 311800 Dec 69 - 010600 Jan 70. Grids prim: BS6542, BS6640, BS6844, BS6543; GILROY Bde rec. blood	Bde, DO	JS			
54	1650		(U) Ref #35, Co D lost trail in elephant grass; nothing follows; expt loc BS662346.	Bde, DO	JS			

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55	1700		(C) Bn SITREP neg; loc same expt SRRP 2 BS645391.	DO	JS			
56	1700		(C) At 1645, LZSJ Co C bunker #10 obsrv 2 VC/NVA vic coord BS639366; eng w/ 4.2 mort; res unk. En mov E-W wore black PJ's; neg obsrv weapons, packs. 4.2 mort fired 8 HE rd.	Bde, DO	JS			
57	1715		(C) LRRP RED DEATH Tm extracted 301645 Dec 69 fr BS703280; fr CILROY, Bde.	DO	JS			
58	1815		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same (1800).	DO	JS			
59	1815		(C) DO, 1LT CANCINO sent AO ext APREQS to BA TO for grid BS5938 DTG 301745 - 311200 Dec 69 DES rec at BA TO.	DO	JS			
60	1835		(C) Beacon on sta 1805, off 1835, tgt BS640-290 sus en bascomp, drop 22-500 lb bombs; res unk. CLOUGH, Bde rec.	Bde, DO	JV			
61	1840		(C) Rec fr Bde., 31 Dec C/C hel; Utility hel, and Beacon times; C/C 0700-1800, Util 15-1700 Beacons RINGNECK 363 1000; RINGNECK 371 1600.	DO	NC			
62	1845		(C) At 1830 SRRP 2 mov into NDP BS645397.	DO	NC			
63	1850		(C) Rec Bn str rep: Co A 5/76, Co B 5/93, Co C 5/100, Co D 4/91, 1/32.	Bn S-1, DO	NC			
64	1900		(C) BN SITREP neg; loc same expt Co A BS604-395, 1st Plat OP BS 75m S, 2nd Plat OP 50m E; Co B BS700395, 1st Plat 75m W, 3d Plat 50m E, Co C LZSJ, Co D BS662342, 1st Plat BS661342, 2nd Plat BS661344, 3d Plat BS663340; SRRP 2 NDP BS645397; all other SRRP's LZSJ.	DO	NC			
65	2000		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.	DO	NC			
66	2100		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.	DO	NC			
67	2135		(U) Rec msg fr Bde for Bn S-2; see Bn S-2.	DO	NC			
68	2140		(C) Ref #67, SGT BAKER fr Bde S-2 needs info if we use an RF Reflector for testing our organic radar, if not, which method.	DO	NC			
69	2200		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same, but neg contact (radio) w/ SRRP 2.	DO	NC			
70	2205		(U) Rec Bde loc fr Bde.	DO	NC			
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71	2240		(C) Rec INTREP Tr Bde: There may be mort atk in QUANG NGIA Province tonight.	Bn-S-2, DO	NC
72	2300		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.	DO, =	NC
73	2357		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same expt neg radio contact w/ SRRP 2.	DO	NC
74			(C) Log summary: 4-3 Inf cont offensive search and amb ops in SAN JUAN AO w/ Co C securing LZ SAN JUAN, and Co's A, B, D, and SRRP 2 oper in grid sq BS6039, BS7039, BS66-34, BS6439, rsvp. At 0822 Co D vic BS656340 eng 5 NVA/VC (Ref #12 29 Dec 69); cont CIA equipment: Docu, 1 knife, 1 home made grenade, 120 lb rice, 3 bottles of pills, other equip of lesser military significance. At 1220 Co B 2nd Plat vic BS701401 eng 3 VC approx 250m W of their loc; 2nd Plat eng w/ SA and called Arty LZSJ; res unk. At 1230 Co B 2nd Plat vic BS701401 fd equip fr 1220 engagement. Equip CIA: 1 notebook, 1 GI type tablet w/ writing on it, and other equip lesser mil significance. At 1305, Co D 3d Plat vic BS662346 on patrol eng 2 NVA mov SW w/ SA range 50m; Res: 1 NVA WIA (blood trails) both en armed w/ AK-47, both wore green uniforms. At 1650 Co D 2nd Plat reot lost blood trails in elephant grass vic BS662346. At 1445, Co A vic BS604395 obsrv vic BS592403 5 VC/NVA w/ 1 water buffalo; obsrv w/ binoculars range approx 1600m; LZSJ Arty called in on en. Res: 1 NVA KBA wore brown uniform; confirmed KBA w/ binoculars. At 1520 Co B vic BS693385 (3d Plat w/ Tracker Tm) fd 25 old bunkers and sleep pos 6ft x 8ft; neg dest due to construction. There were neg other significant events during the day.		
75		2359	(U) Journal closed.	DO	NC

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