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SERIAL 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	DW		
03	0200		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE,DO	DW		
04	0300		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE,DO	DW		
05	0400		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE,DO	DW		
06	0500		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE,DO	DW		
07	0600		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE,DO	DW		
08	0655		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co's A & B same;	BDE,S3	JPC		
			Co C 2nd plat closed NDP 0650H, will				
			pick up 3rd plat on way; Co D same, 3rd				
			plat closed on LZ CHARLIE BROWN 0655H.				
09	0745		(C) 1st & 2nd sqds of 2nd plat, Co C,	DO,S3	JPC		
			closed NDP 0715H. Co C moving at this				
			time for today's opn; Co B 3rd plat clos-				
			ed on LZ THUNDER 0720H; Co A moving fr				
			NDP 0738H for LZ BRONCO.				
10	0800		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A BS803366;	BDE,S3,M	JPC		
			Co B LZ THUNDER; Co C BS806305, 3rd plat				
			BS826302; Co D (-) LZ CHARLIE BROWN, 2nd				
			plat 1st sqd Bridge 94, 3rd plat 1st sqd				
			BS912238, 3rd plat 2nd sqd BS900231.			Downgraded at 3yr Declassified after	
11	0815		(C) Co D 3rd plat loc at BS912248.	DO,M	JPC		
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12	0840		(C) Co A closed LZ BRONCO at 0836H.	DO,M	JPC		
13	0900		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A LZ BRONCO; Co's B & D same; Co C BS832310; Rcn LZ THUNDER.	S3,DO,M	JPC		
14	1000		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co's A & B same; Co C BS860319; Co D (-) LZ CHARLIE - BROWN, 3rd plat BS915245, all ambs & bridge guard closed LZ CHARLIE BROWN at 0950H.	BDE,S3,DO,M	JPC		
15	1103		(C) BG Cooksey arrived LZ THUNDER. Met and briefed by LTC Russell (Bn CO).	CO,S3	JPC		
16	1105		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A same; Co B base LZ THUNDER; Co C LZ THUNDER; Co D (-) LZ CHARLIE BROWN, 3rd plat BS915245; Rcn plat same.	S3,DO	JPC		
17	1116		(C) BG Cooksey departed LZ THUNDER.	BDE	JPC		
18	1150		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co's A, C, & Rcn same; Co B BS891315; Co D (-) LZ CHAR- LIE BROWN, 3rd plat BS915245.	BDE,DO,M	JPC		
19	1300		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A LZ BRONCO SE pad; Co B with tracks (E trp 1st CAV) on beach coord BS891321; Co C (-) BS859-	DO	JPC		
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19	cont		355, remaining ele LZ THUNDER; Co D (-) LZ CHARLIE BROWN, 3rd BS915245.				
20	1320		(C) Msg fr Bde S2: 2 ene units in A0; C-120 Sapper Co BS8630, and C-219 Local Force Co BS7938.	S3,S2		JPC	
21	1330		(C) Co C CA complete; PZ LZ THUNDER at 1240H. (1st lift) LZ #1 BS859355 - 1306H LZ #2 BS861349 - 1306H LZ #3 BS865344 - 1306H PZ LZ THUNDER at 1310H (2nd lift) LZ #1 BS859355 - 1314H LZ #2 BS861349 - 1314H LZ #3 BS865344 - 1314H PZ LZ THUNDER at 1325H (3rd lift) LZ BS861349 - 1328H.	BDE,S3		JPC	
22	1400		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A same; Co B (-) BS868357, 2nd plat with tracks (E Trp 1st CAV) BS849366, BS852374, BS857- 376; Co C (-) BS862349, 1st plat BS859- 355, 3rd plat BS866345; Co D (-) LZ CHAR- LIE BROWN, 3rd plat BS915245.	BDE,CO		JPC	
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23	1412		(C) C&C extracted one VCS fr coord BS 870350 to LZ BRONCO for interrogation.	BDE	JPC		
24	1430		(C) Co C coord BS862357 KIA one F 25-30 yrs old. Ind was evading; neg wpn or documents.	BDE,CO,S3	JPC		
25	1440		(C) Co B 2nd plat coord BS859355 fd one cot & one flak jacket.	BDE,S3	JPC		
26	1500		(C) 4.2 ammo rpt called into Bde.	DO	JPC		
27	1450		(C) C&C at BS865364 obs several F's carrying one F on stretcher.	CO,S3	EET		
28	1505		(C) Co B 2nd plat at BS849366 apprehended two MAM ages 43 & 46. Also fd in a hooch one US shovel, one US poncho, & US mess kit.	BDE,CO,S3	EET		
29	1510		(C) C&C at BS872358 picked up one VN M. Ind was not evading but looked suspicious.	BDE,CO	EET		
30	1540		(C) Ref item #23: VCS is a civil defender & a member of the Farmers Assoc. Inds hamlet is VC controlled. 4 VC are armed with M-1 rifles in hamlet. Info fr Bde T00. Grid of hamlet BS870353.	CO,S3	EET		
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31	1610		(C) Co C 1st plat engaged one VC at BS-856355 who evaded into a tunnel. VC refused to come out so a grenade was tossed into the tunnel. Res one VC KIA.	CO,S3	EET		
32	1645		(C) (Late Entry): At 1550H ARVN's rec hvy AW fire at BS905228. Co D fired 81mm mort on grid. Res unk.	BDE,CO,S3	EET		
33	1700		(C) Msg to Co A fr Bn CO: Continue search in BS857367 to BS857361 until 1730H. Set amb at BS861358, BS862353, and BS865363.	Co A	EET		
34	1730		(C) Co A at BS858368 apprehended one VCS who was evading. 40 yrs old and neg wpn. C&C extracted VCS to LZ BRONCO.	BDE,CO	EET		
35	1830		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc; Co A moving at this time; Co B LZ THUNDER; Co C moving to LZ BRONCO; Co D (-); 2nd plat, and wpns plat LZ CHARLIE BROWN, 3rd plat BS914242 NDP, 1st sqd 1st plat Bridge 94; Rcn LZ THUNDER.	BDE	EET		
36	1920		Bn SITREP neg: loc; all loc same except Co A NDR BS857361.	BDE	EET		
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37	1950		(C) Co D rptd Saw Win ARVN camp hit today by plat size ele of VC. Time of incident 1500H. Wpns used in incident AK-50, AK-47, M-79, M-16, and mach guns (type unk).	BDE,CO,S3	EET		
38	1950		(C) Co D rpts est VC sqd at coord BS920171 and BS919182.	BDE,CO,S3	EET		
39	1955		(C) Co D rpts info fr ARVN's: the 406 NVA Bn and 119 NVA Bn at BS889271 to BS889200.	BDE,CO,S3	EET		
40	2000		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE	EET		
41	2005		(C) Co B 2nd plat amb in psn at coord BS877312.	BDE	EET		
42	2045		(C) Co A amb in psn. Sites are: 1st sqd 1st plat BS861358, 1st sqd 2nd plat BS862353, 1st sqd 3rd plat BS865363.	BDE	EET		
43	2050		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE	EET		
44	2150		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE	EET		
45	2150		(C) Fr Bde: MACV rpts VC Sapper unit in areas BS870312 and BS882304.	DO	EET		
46	2150		(C) MACV rpts friendlies building dam at BS811360. Working hrs 0830H to 1700H.	DO	EET		
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47	2240		(C) Recd rpt fr Bde: 81mm ammo lot no. KN-7-115-68 is defective.	CO,S3,DO Co's A,B,C,D	DW		
48	2300		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE,DO	DW		
49	2301		(C) Msg fr Bde: SFC Atwater is to be picked up at LZ THUNDER NLT 0700H by C&C and taken to FSB CORK.	4.2,DO	DW		
50	2345		(C) Bn SITREP neg: loc same.	BDE,DO	DW		
51	2358		(C) Radar spotted 2 pers at BS841315. 4.2 will fire on target.	DO	DW		
52	LOG	Summary:	4-3 Inf continued security and offensive sweep opns in the S Duc Pho AO. Co A closed LZ BRONCO and stood as a reaction force to support Bn opn. Co A departed LZ BRONCO late in afternoon and NDP'd at BS857361 with amb in vic. At 1230H Co B,w/Rcn OPCON, Co C and E Trp 1st CAV conducted a coordinated Mechanized and airmobile opn to cordon and sweep area N of LZ THUNDER. Co B with E Trp moved N up the beach to establish three blocking psns at BS849366, BS852374, BS857376, Co B (-) swept area fr the S while Co C blocked fr three loc after conducting a combat assault into LZ's at BS859355, BS861349, and BS865344. Res of the opn which terminated at 1730H were 2 VC KIA, and 5 VCS. Co D continued security of LZ CHARLIE BROWN and opns cont				
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