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DAILY STAFF JOURNAL OR DUTY OFFICER'S LOG				Page nr: 1	No of Pages:	
Organization or Installation S-2/3-3 4-3 Inf		Location LZ BIFF BS541825	Period Covered			
			From Hour 0001	To Date 18 Mar 69	From Hour 2000	To Date 18 Mar 69
ITEM NR	TIME IN	CUT	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.		ACTION TAKEN	RE- TIALS
01	0001		(J) JOURNAL OPENED			
02	0100		(U) Bn SITREP Neg: Loc; Same		BDE, DO	MM
03	0200		(U) Bn SITREP Neg: Loc; Same		BDE, DO	MM
04	0300		(A) Bn SITREP Neg: Loc; Same		BDE, DO	MM
05	0400		(U) Bn SITREP Neg: Loc; Same		BDE, DO	MM
06	0500		(U) Bn SITREP Neg: Loc; Same		BDE, DO	MM
07	0530		(U) Rec'd 4.2 ammo rept.		BDE, DO	MM
08	0600		(U) Bn SITREP Neg: Loc; Same		BDE, DO	MM
09	0700		(U) Bn SITREP Neg: Loc; Same		BDE, DO	MM
10	0800		(U) Rec'd aerial observation (See S-2)		S-2, DO	DAW
11	0800		(A) Bn SITREP Neg: Loc; Co A moving out of NDF; all other loc same.		BDE, DO	DAW
12	0840		(C) Co B 1st plat moving off LZ BIFF.		CO, DO	DAW
13	0900		(C) Bn SITREP Neg: Loc; Co A BS551830; Co B 1st plat moving off LZ BIFF; all other loc same.		BDE, DO	DAW
14	0930		(U) Rec'd URI rept (See S-2)		S-2, DO	DAW
15	0930		(C) Co A is at BS554820.		CO, S3, DO	DAW
16	1000		(C) ARVN 1/4 CAV ele's at BS505791 fd 12,500 lbs of rice.		BDE, CO, DO	DAW
17	1000		(C) Bn SITREP Neg: Loc; Co A BS545811; Co B 1st plat BS535792; 1/5 ATNR BS590-		BDE, DO	DAW
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			From Hour 0001	To Date 18 Mar 69	From Hour 2400	To Date 18 Mar 69
ITEM NR	TIME IN	CUT	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.		ACTION TAKEN	INITIALS
17	cont'd		795; 1/4 CAV BS580790; all other loc same.			
18	1030		(c) Msg fr liaison NCO at Ha Thanh USSF/CODG Camp: (1) Recon Op S-28 D. 40 pers involved in op. Date 181630H Mar 69 to 231700H Mar 69; BS3678 to BS-1078 and BS4074 to BS3674. (2) Spar rept fr 11 Mar 69: Regt CP BS432803 to BS428785; eval B-2. (3) 13 Mar Agent Rept: One (1) Bn deployed BS427769 to BS36770. Eval F-6.		BDE, CO, DO	DAW
19	1030		(c) Co D 1st plat at BS537792.		CO, DO	DAW
20	1100		(C) Bn SITREP Neg: Loc: Co A BS541801; Co D 1st plat BS537792; all other loc same.		BDE, DO	DAW
21	1200		(C) Bn SITREP Neg: Loc; Co D 1st plat BS535796; all other loc same.		BDE, DO	DAW
22	1300		(d) Bn SITREP Neg: Loc; Same		BDE, DO	AJH
23	1400		(u) Bn SITREP Neg: Loc; Same		BDE, DO	AJH
24	1430		(g) Rec'd URI rept; (See S-2)		S-2, DO	AJH
25	1500		(C) Bn SITREP Neg: Loc; Co D 1st plat closed LZ HUFF; ARVN Bn BS565802; ARVN cont'd		BDE, DO	JPC
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ITEM NR	TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN		INITIALS
25	cont'd	Bn BS569790; ARVN Bn BS570797; all other loc same.			
26	1600	(C) Bn SITREP Neg: Loc; Co A BS548768; all other loc same.	BDE, DO		JPC
27	1700	(C) Bn SITREP Neg: Loc; Co A BS548788; ARVN 1/5 BS562802; ARVN 1/4 BS564788; CP BS563795; all other loc same.	BDE, DO		JPC
28	1715	(C) Bn Strength Rept: Co A, 88; Co B, 78; Co C, 104; Co D, 93; Co E, 76.	DO		JPC
29	1800	(U) Bn SITREP Neg: Loc; Same	BDE, DO		JPC
30	1900	(C) Bn SITREP Neg: Loc; Co A NDF BS-548768; ARVN NDF BS566796, BS558796, BS566799, CP BS565797, amb E grid BS56 amb BS554786.	BDE, DO		JPC
31	2000	(U) Bn SITREP Neg: Loc; Same; neg contact with the ARVN's.	BDE, DO		JPC
32	2010	(U) Contact made with the ARVN's	BDE, DO		JPC
33	2040	(U) Rec'd Agent Rpt: (See S-2 file)	S-2, DO		JPC
34	2100	(U) Bn SITREP Neg: Loc; Same	BDE, DO		JPC
35	2200	(U) Bn SITREP Neg: Loc; Same	BDE, DO		JPC
36	2300	(U) Bn SITREP Neg: Loc; Same	BDE, DO		MN
37	2355	(U) Bn SITREP Neg: Loc; Same	BDE, DO		MN
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			From Hour Date 0001 18 Mar 69	To Hour Date 2400 18 Mar 69	
ITEM NR	TIME IN OUT	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.			ACTION TAKEN IN- TIALS
38	Log Summary	(U) 4-3 Inf continues search and sweep ops in the RUFF PGA with Co A in blocking pos vic BS548788 for the ARVN 1/5 Regt and the ARVN 1/4 CAV. At 1000H the ARVN's 1/4 CAV fd 12,500 lbs of rice at BS585791. There were no other significant events throughout the day. Res of the day op: 12,500 lbs rice captured.			
39	2400	(U) JOURNAL CLOSED			
Name and Grade of Officer on Duty LARRY F. SPARCO, MAJ, INF				Signature <i>Larry F. Sparco</i>	

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LZ BUFF (RS541825) RVN
180800H Mar 69
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Reference: Maps, South Vietnam; 1:50,000; Series L7014; Sheets 6739I, 6739II,
6739III, and 6739 IV.

(C) Task Organization:

Co A/4-3 Inf
1st Plat H Trp, 17th CAV

HHC (-)/4-3 Inf

Battalion Control

Co B/4-3 Inf
2nd Plat H Trp, 17th CAV

Co E (-)/4-3 Inf

Co C/4-3 Inf

4.2 Mortar Plat/4-3 Inf

Co D/4-3 Inf

Recon Plat/4-3 Inf

1. SITUATION:

a. Enemy Forces: Current Intsum.

b. Friendly Forces:

(1) 198th LIB and 6th Regt, 2nd ARVN Division realign boundaries, relocate tactical units, and establish GENEVA PARK OPERATIONAL ZONE (OZ), conduct unilateral and combined operations to find, fix, and destroy enemy Main Force (MF) and Local Force (LF) units; and conduct other tactical operations as appropriate to accomplish the objectives of the RVN Pacification and Development Plan for 1969.

(2) Current SITREPS.

2. MISSION: At 181200H Mar 69, 4-3 Inf assumes responsibility for assigned Fire Control Area (FCA); conducts both unilateral and combined operations with ARVN and Provincial Forces to find, fix, and destroy enemy MF and LF units; and conducts other tactical operations as appropriate to accomplish the objectives of the RVN Pacification and Development Plan for 1969; maintains one (1) fire support base at LZ BUFF; assumes responsibility for approval of all supporting fires impacting within assigned FCA; establishes a liaison team at Son Tinh District and Ba Thank USSR/CIDG Camp; and on order, secures engineer work parties during the up grading of HL 529 (Tra Bong Road).

3. EXECUTION:

a. Concept of Operation: Annex A; Operation Overlay. On 181200H Mar 69, 4-3 Inf assumes responsibility for assigned FCA. Co A w/1st Plat H Trp, 17th CAV conducts combined operation with Task Force 4th CAV, 2d ARVN Div by

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establishing a blocking position vic ~~BS543775~~ to prevent the escape of enemy forces as the ARVN forces sweep from East to West.

b. Fires: See Annex B; Fire Support.

c. Co A:

(1) Conduct sweep at 180700H Mar 69 from NDP location vic BS570-825 to blocking position vic BS543775.

(2) Establish and maintain block oriented to the east to prevent escape of enemy forces in coordination with sweep being conducted by Task Force 4th CAV 2d ARVN Division.

(3) Conduct offensive operations vic LZ BUFF on order.

d. Co B:

(1) Continue security of CHIC.

(2) Conduct standdown at 198th LIB standdown area at Chu Lai from 201000H Mar 69 to 241000H Mar 69.

e. Co C:

(1) Continue standdown.

(2) Conduct airlift from Ky Hoa Pad, Chu Lai on 20 Mar 69 to CHIC.

(3) Assume mission of security of CHIC upon closing CHIC on 20 Mar 69.

f. Co D:

(1) Continue defense of LZ BUFF.

(2) Conduct offensive operations vic LZ BUFF as directed.

g. Co E:

(1) Recon Plat:

(a) Continue standdown.

(b) Conduct airlift from Ky Hoa Pad, Chu Lai to LZ BUFF at 201000H Mar 69.

(c) Assist in defense of LZ BUFF upon closing LZ BUFF on 20 Mar 69.

(d) Conduct offensive operations vic LZ BUFF as directed.

(2) 4.2 Mortar Plat: GS LZ BUFF.

(3) GS: GS LZ BUFF

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h. 1st Plat H Trp 17th CAV: OPCON Co A.

i. 2d Plat H Trp 17th CAV: OPCON Co B.

j. Coordinating Instructions:

(1) Status of counterpart commanders at all levels is co-equal.

(2) Temporary FCA's for operations must be submitted 24 hours prior to effective date.

4. Administration and Logistics: No Change.

5. Command and Signal:

a. Signal: Current SOI in effect.

b. Command: CP remains at LZ BUFF

Acknowledge.

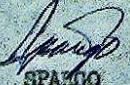
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Annex A: Operations Overlay

Annex B: Fire Support

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ANNEX B (Fire Support) to OPORD 4-69

References: Maps, South Vietnam; 1:50,000; Series L701h; Sheets 6739I, 6739II, 6739III, and 6739IV.

1. SITUATION:

a. Enemy forces: Current INTSUMS.

b. Friendly forces:

(1) 6th Regt, 2nd ARVN Div and 4-3 Inf provide ground support in the current Fire Control Area (FCA).

(2) 7th Air Force provides tactical air support.

2. MISSION: 4-3 Inf and 6th Regt, 2nd ARVN Div conduct unilateral and combined operations to accomplish the objectives of the GVN Pacification and Development Plan for 1969.

3. EXECUTION:

a. 4-3 Inf and 6th Regt, 2nd ARVN Div conduct unilateral and combined operations in the Common Operations Zone (OZ) to find, fix, and destroy the enemy.

b. Air Support: Requests for tactical air support will be submitted to the Bn S-3 Air.

c. Artillery support:

(1) D Btry, 1/14th Arty (105mm towed) will provide DS for the LZ BUFF FCA.

(2) D Btry, 1/82d Arty (155/8" SP) located on LZ DOTTIE will provide general support.

(3) Additional fire support is available from 3/18th Arty (175/8" SP) located at Tra Bong.

(4) Btry C (-) 55th Arty (M) will provide additional fire support for the defense of LZ BUFF.

(5) 3rd Plat (-) Btry C, 29th Arty (SLT) will provide illumination for the defense of LZ BUFF.

d. Coordinating Instructions:

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- (1) Rules of Engagement: Americal Regulation 525-4, Feb 69.
 - (2) Clearance of fires will be requested from the Arty LNO.
4. Admin and Log: No change.
5. Command and Signal:
 - a. Signal: Current SOI in effect.
 - b. Command: No change.

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