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01	0001	(u)	JOURNAL OPENED		Emk
02	0050	(c)	All units neg Sitrep, loc same.		Emk
03	0150	(c)	All units neg Sitrep, loc same.	Bde	Emk
04	0250	(c)	All units neg Sitrep, loc same.		Emk
05	0350	(c)	All units neg Sitrep, loc same.	Bde	Emk
			JOHN F REIGER, 1LT Sig, OIC <i>John F Reiger</i>		
06	0500	(c)	All units neg Sitrep, loc same.		Emk
07	0530	(c)	Co D rept stand to completed.		Emk
08	0550	(c)	All units neg Sitrep, loc same.	Bde	Emk
09	0615	(c)	Co C rept stand to completed at 0600 hrs.		Emk
10	0657	(c)	Co B CA: 1st lift PZ time 0657 hrs fr IZ Uptight; TD time 0704 hrs, IZ cold. 2d lift PZ time 0709 hrs; TD time 0715 hrs, IZ cold. 3d lift PZ time 0720 hrs; TD time 0730 hrs, IZ cold. 4th lift (fr IZ Dottie) PZ time 0723 hrs; TD time 0733 hrs IZ cold.	Bde,CO,S3	Emk
11	0750	(c)	Co B 3d Plat loc: BS717802.	M,Bde,CO,S3	Emk
12	0752	(c)	Recon Plat ambush element closed in on OP George.	M,CO,S3	Emk
13	0800	(c)	All units neg Sitrep, loc: Co C & Co D, no change. Co A 1st Plat ambush element closed in plat base at 0740 hrs.	Bde,M	Emk

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14	0824	(C)	Co B rept 1/2 of element vic BS724795.	M,CO,S3	Emk
15	0827	(C)	Aero Scout Plat (123d Avn Bn) loc: BS745 810	M	Emk
16	0850	(C)	Swift Boats checked in 4-3 Inf station. Presently operating in assigned sector in South China Sea.	CO,S3	Emk
17	0900	(C)	Co C rept spotting 3 VC w/wpns vic BS487 788, loc of old French Fort. Req Aero Scout Plat	M,Bde,CO,S3	Emk
18	0901	(C)	Co D extraction times: 1st lift PZ 0822 hrs; LZ time 0833 hrs, LZ Uptight. 2d lift PZ 0843 hrs; LZ time 0851 hrs, LZ Dottie. 3d lift PZ 0900 hrs; LZ time 0909 hrs, LZ Dottie. 5th lift of Co B PZ time 0739 hrs; LZ time 0747 hrs, LZ cold.	Bde,CO,S3	Emk
19	0905	(C)	Rec info fr Amcal Div, msg taken by Cpt Kotouc, Duty Off: Award ceremony (Silver Star) for SP4 Slocum, Co A, will be con- ducted on LZ Sue 171100 H Apr 68.	CO,S3,S1	Emk
20	0908	(C)	All units neg Sitrep, loc: Co C(-), BS 487782; 3d Plat, BS479779. Co B(-), BS 726804; 1st Plat, BS737807; 2d Plat, BS 707802.	Bde,M,CO,S3	Emk
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21	1001	(C)	All units neg Sitrep, loc: Co B(-), BS 727804; 1st Plat(-), BS738812; 1st Sqd 1st Plat, BS734812; 2d Plat, BS707802; 3d Plat, BS729804. Co C(-), BS496787; 3d & Wpns Plat, BS488787. Co A, no change.	Bde,M,CO,S3	Emk			
22	1023	(C)	At 1010 hrs Co B 2d Plat observed and engaged 8 to 10 VC w/wpns vic BS714799 w/ neg results.	Bde,M,CO	Emk			
23	1025	(C)	At 1015 hrs Aero Scout Plat rept 1 VC KIA vic BS7079; 1 VC KIA vic BS733785; also observed 1 VC evading vic BS759839. Req to recon by fire was denied.	Bde,M,CO	Emk			
24	1028	(C)	At 1015 hrs Co C rept at vic BS495795 rec approx 20 rounds semi-auto fire fr N & S. Results: Neg casualties on friendlies. Element is presently maneuvering to loc where fire came from.	Bde,M,CO	RAH			
25	1100	(C)	All units neg Sitrep except Co C, loc: Co C(-), BS503793; 3d & Wpns Plat, BS496792. Co B, no changes. Co A 2d Plat, BS571885. ARVN units: BS715808, BS718778, BS720763.	M,CO	RAH			
26	1110	(C)	Aero Scout rept at vic BS729779 rec fire fr 4 different snipers. Neg damage to	Bde,M,CO	RAH			
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26	(cont)		ACT, cont to fly. Req to recon by fire was denied, too close to friendlies.			
27	1117	(C)	ARVN loc: BS719790, BS718778; BS719762.	M, Bde, CO	RAH	
28	1120	(C)	At 1110 hrs Co D 2d Plat req Dustoff for 1 VN female w/disease on both legs. Vic of LZ Uptight.	CO, Dustoff	RAH	
29	1130	(C)	Telecon between Maj McKnight, Bde S3, and Maj Holck, Bn S3: VIP to arrive LZ Dottie 191100H Apr 68. LNO will rec info on visit tonight.	CO	RAH	
30	1200	(C)	All units neg Sitrep, loc changes: Co A 1st Plat, BS574899; 2d Plat, BS574902. Co C 3d & Wpns Plat, BS509800. Co B 2d Plat, BS714799.	Bde, M, CO	RAH	
31	1201	(C)	(LATE ENTRY) At 1117 hrs rec msg fr MACV ref to their element rec casualties fr minefield explosion vic BS717778.	Bde, CO	RAH	
32	1205	(C)	At 1157 hrs Co B 3d Plat, vic BS724804, rept approx 30 females and children approaching their loc. Presently element is checking for ID and hidden wpns.	Bde, CO	RAH	
33	1208	(C)	At 1150 hrs Aero Scouts rept detaining 4 VCS trying to evade (1 30 yrs old, 3 over 50) vic BS745811. Presently 30 yr	Bde, CO, S2	RAH	
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33	(cont)		old is being interrogated on LZ Dottie, other 3 are being detained by Aero Scout Inf Plat.		
34	1210	(C)	Maj Davidson, Asst Bde S3, was informed that Co C returned to 4-3 Inf AO at 1153.	CO, Bde	RAH
35	1230	(C)	Quang Ngai rept people at BS7581 were in- formed by VC to leave that loc w/belong- ings using small sampans. They are pres- ently moving, Swift Boats are checking.	Bde, CO	RAH
36	1303	(C)	All units neg Sitrep, loc: Co A 1st Plat closed in on LZ Sue, at 1245 hrs. Co C, BS512802. Co B 2d Plat, BS712799.	M, CO	RAH
37	1335	(C)	At 1307 hrs Co B rept 3d Plat found 3 bottles of penicillin, 1 bottle strepto- mycin & 2 tubes of unk nature vic BS719 802. 2d Plat, vic BS712802, found 2 rain jackets, 1 NVA pack, 1 gas puch w/strap. MI Tm has ques 1 male, 65 yrs old, fr Son Thanh w/neg results.	Bde, CO	RAH
38	1332	(C)	BG Young, ADC, arrived LZ Dottie at this time. Met and briefed by LTC Adkins. Dprt 1343 hrs.		RAH
39	1339	(C)	Telecon between Maj Holck and Aero Scout Op Sgt: Ref Item 33, instructed Aero Scouts to bring the other 3 indiv (detained	CO, S2	RAH
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39	(cont)		by Aerial Scout Inf Plat) to LZ Dottie for questioning.		
40	1349	(C)	Cpt Gouzoules, Bn S5, w/Psyops Tm will dprt LZ Dottie at 1400 hrs for a market place vic BS614879. Along with Psyops Tm will be a drama tm of 6 indiv, 1 medic, 2 pers fr S5 section.		PPH
41	1402	(C)	All units neg Sitrep, loc changes: BS 769803, Co B 2d Plat,	M, Bde	PPH
42	1500	(C)	All units neg Sitrep, loc changes: Co C(-) BS512802; 1st Plat, BS508802; 2d Plat, BS508801.	M, CO	PPH
43	1505	(C)	MG Koster, Amcal Div Cmdr, arrived LZ Dottie at this time. Met and briefed by LTC Adkins. Dprt 1520 hrs.	Bde	PPH
44	1515	(C)	Co B 2d Plat vic BS712805 rec 30-40 rounds semi-auto fire (sniper fire) resulting in 1 US WHA (gunshot wound on foot). Pres- ently element is searching area where shots came from.	Bde, CO	PPH
45	1535	(C)	Aero Scouts searched area where sampans were earlier observed vic BS741812 w/neg results.	CO	PPH
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46	1539	(C)	ARVN units rept having reached all obj. Obj are as follows: 1) BS720794, 2) BS 720780, 3) BS727765.	Bde,CO	PS
47	1551	(C)	Ref Item 44: Indiv concerned was SGT CABALLERO, Robert, US568924. Dustoff req 1525 hrs, completed 1545 hrs.		PS
48	1601	(C)	All units neg Sitrep, loc same.	Bde	PS
49	1635	(C)	Co C 1st Plat at vic BS506794 found and destroyed one M26 Hand grenade (was booby trapped).	Bde,M,CO	PS
50	1700	(C)	All units neg Sitrep, loc same.		PS
51	1730	(C)	Co B rept rec hvy automatic wpns fire fr vic BS737807. Returned fire w/neg results.	Bde,M,CO	PS
52	1800	(C)	All units neg Sitrep, loc changes: Co A 2d Plat, BS573905; 1st Sqd, BS582907; 3d Sqd, BS567909.	Bde,M,CO	PS
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53	1900	(C)	All units neg Sitrep, loc same.		PS
54	1935	(C)	Telecon w/Bde TOC: C&C ship will arrive at 0645 hrs; hook will arrive at 0800 hrs. Will have 9 lift ships for CA including utility; use utility after CA.	CO,S3	PS
55	2000	(C)	All units neg Sitrep, loc same.	Bde,CO,S3	PS
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61	(cont)		Item #60, loc same.					
62	2304	(C)	Msg fr Binh Son Dist: Patrol moving out vic coord BS629917. Start time, 0400 hrs; completion time, 0730 hrs.	M,Units	WJ	9/24		
63	2350	(E)	All units neg Sitrep, loc same.	Bde	WJ	9/24		
64		(C)	Summary: Operations continued as normal throughout the 4th Bn 3d Inf AO with light enemy contact. Co A remained on LZ Sue as secur- ity. 2d Plat Co A continued GOLDEN FLEECE Operations in the Tra Bong river valley. At 2015 hrs, vic BS581907, 1st Sqd 2d Plat Co A received incoming (1) hand grenade. Fire was returned with negative assessment. Negative friendly casualties. At 0700 hrs Co B conducted a CA into three LZs vic BS72604, BS737807, and BS707802. All LZs were cold. CA completed 0733 hrs. At 1515 hrs, vic BS712805, 2d Plat Co B received 30-40 rounds semi-automatic sniper fire resulting in 1 US WHA. Individual was evacuated at 1545 hrs. At 2211 hrs 2d Plat Co B received 3-5 incoming 82mm fire and approximately 20 hand grenades vic BS719804. Fire was returned with 2 VC possible KIA. Co C conducted an offensive search to vic BS512802. At 0909 hrs Co D was airlifted into LZs Dottie and Uptight. Recon Plat remained on OP George as local security.					
65	(u)	2400	JOURNAL CLOSED			WJ		
Name and Grade of Officer on Duty WINSTON GOUZOULES, CPT Arm					Signature <i>Winston Gouzoules</i>			

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S-2:

	ENEMY				FRIENDLY	
	<u>KIA</u>	<u>WIA</u>	<u>CIA</u>	<u>WPNS</u>	<u>KHA</u>	<u>WHA</u>
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3-1	2		15			
1-20						
4-21	---	---	---	---	---	---
TOTALS	3	0	20	0	0	1

Agent Reports:

When the VCs attack US installations they gather all chemical equipment possible. VC stressing use of chemical agents in attacks. Report VC in hills west of Bronco training with AB-40 rocket round, like our CS grenade.

VC are to go all out to shoot down US helicopters as it is a tremendous morale booster.

Local force VC along Highway #1 are to step up sniper attacks and booby trapping to take up slack as larger NV Main Force units move to Laos.

S-3:

191130H Apr 68: GEN Westmoreland will arrive at LZ Dottie.

11 enemy initiated actions in Americal AO resulting in 2 US KHA and 4 US WHA. US offensives against hostile forces resulted in 30 enemy KIA and 5 indiv and 2 crew-served wpns CIA.

Operations in 3-1 Inf AO are normal. 1-20 Inf plans to CA Co B to LZ Ryder where B/1-20 becomes OPCON 198th LIB. 4-21 Inf continues to come down from Chu Lai. Co C is now on LZ Thunder, Co D is on LZ Bronco, and Co E will move by CH-47 to LZ Thunder 17 Apr 68.

S-1:

Bde received 3,710 lbs of mail 16 Apr 68. Only 1 bag was letter mail.

COL Henderson:

Remarks from BG Young to COL Henderson were that appearances on FSBs were poor. People in Bn TCCs stripped from waist up, reading books, and not showing proper military courtesy. Treat all General Officers as guests, not members of the unit.

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PLANS SUMMARY FOR 17 APRIL 1968

Reference: Maps, Vietnam 1:50,000; Series L7011; Sheets 6738I, 6738II, 6738III, 6738IV.

1. Enemy situation: Current INTSUM.
2. Sector forces conduct CA commencing 170700H Apr 68 vic BS735807 and BS745806 with one ARVN Bn and one company. Upon completion of CA Sector forces conduct offensive search opn to the south. Air strike on each LZ commencing 170645H Apr 68.
3. 4-3 Inf continues operation in assigned AO and conducts opn with Sector forces to the east.
 - a. Co A secures LZ SUE and conducts patrols and ambush operations with one rifle platoon vic BS560900.
 - b. Co B continues occupying blocking positions vic BS727805 and BS735813 with Co B(-) and 1st Plat Co B respectively. On order Co B conducts offensive search to the NE to vic BS758837.
 - c. Co C conducts CA vic BS750820 commencing 170730H Apr 68; upon completion of CA, conducts offensive search to the east to vic BS767817. Gunship prep only during CA. Arty on call.
 - d. Co D continues securing LZs DOTTE and UPTIGHT.
 - e. Recon Plat establishes ambush vic OP GEORGE.

Acknowledge:

Annexes: A - Operation Overlay ADKENS
 B - Sequential Airlift LTC
 Schedule

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