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S-2/S-3 4-3 Inf		LZ SUE BS 568878		From		To	
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1	0001	(U)	Journal opened				
2	0055	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.				
3	0106	(C)	Cpt Gonzalez, CO, Co D rept that CP rec 4 rds 60mm mort inside perimeter. Rds appeared to come fr vic BS518752. No casualties. Will call arty fire & fire 81mm mort.	Bde.	KNH		
4	0143	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde	KNH		
5	0205	(C)	Rec msg fr 5th Bn 46th Inf: loc of an element of Co A 5-46 is BS555905.	M, Co A 4-3	KNH		
6	0255	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.				
7	0345	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.				
8	0400	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.  JOHN F REIGER, LLT Sig, OIC	Bde	KNH		
9	0440	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.				
10	0450	(C)	Co A Stand-To complete 0445 hrs.				
11	0555	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde	KNH		
12	0623	(C)	Co D departing NDP.	Bde	KNH		
13	0645	(C)	Co D center of mass BS448748	M	KNH		
14	0700	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.				

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15	0730	(c)	Rec fr Binh Son Dist HQ loc of 2 PF elements near Hwy #1: BS611857, BS619856.	CO,S3	gm		
16	0745	(c)	Co A 1st plat ambushes closed plat NDP at this time w/neg contact.	CO,S3	gm		
17	0758	(c)	Bn SITREP neg, loc: Co D BS521708; Co A 1st plat presently moving fr NDP BS552-893 to BS556892 to establish plat Base.	CO,S3,Bde	gm		
18	0826	(c)	Co D apprehended 2 VCS, ages 18-19, w/o ID cards, hiding behind rice dike vic BS 521708.	CO,Bde,S3,S2,M	gm		
19	0910	(c)	Bn SITREP neg, Co D loc BS510690; Co A 1st plat no change.	CO,S3,M			
20	1003	(c)	Bn SITREP neg, loc: Co D(-) BS512688, wpns plat BS521708; Co A 1st plat no change.	Bde,CO,S3,M	gm		
21	1100	(c)	Bn SITREP neg, loc: Co D(-) BS516686, 1st plat BS515689, mort plat BS521708; Co A 1st plat no change.	CO,S3,M	gm		
22	1145	(c)	Msg fr COL Henderson, Bde Cmdr, to LTC Adkins: Mission change for Co D: Unit will conduct cmbt sweep back to N, search hill 59 vic BS521721, and occupy psn just N of Tra Khuc River tonight. Plan for Co D to operate in 4-3 Inf AO tomorrow. 1 or possibly 2 Cos will be released	CO,S3,Co D	gm		
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22	Cont	(C)	back to 4-3 Inf control 10 Apr 68. Make plans accordingly. Prepare plans for op against 48th VC Bn later this week.					
23	1200	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc: Co D(-) BS517677, 1st plat BS515689, mort plat BS521708; Co A 1st plat BS553893.	Bde,CO,S3	Am			
24	1200	(C)	Communications check w/2d <sup>m</sup> plat <sup>m</sup> Trp E 1st Cav & B/4-3 Inf.					
25	1200	(C)	FRAGORD 10-68 eff 1200 hrs today. Rec Bde FRAGORD 10-68 at 0940 hrs, 9 Apr 68 fr 1LT Liphart, Bn LNO.	CO,S3	Am			
26	1300	(C)	Co A SITREP neg, loc same; Co D loc same.					
27	1400	(C)	SITREP neg, loc: Co A same; Co D(-) BS 524687, 1st plat BS525689, mort plat BS 521708. Other units loc same.	Bde,CO,S3	Am			
28	1400	(C)	At 1345 hrs 3d plat Co D discovered a cluster of 4 well camouflaged huts and 1 pig pen w/pig vic BS523689. Also found were several grn uniforms & 1 field pack.	Bde,CO,S3	Am			
29	1400	(C)	At 1343 hrs HELIX 32 observed a number of comouflaged huts at BS515673. Arty called.	Bde,CO,S3	Am			
30	1400	(C)	4-3 Inf TOC apt LZ SUE & commenced op at LZ DOTTIE (BS629854).	Bde	Am			
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31	1435	(C)	Ref item #29, Arty now firing on BS515673 Ref item #28, Co D in process of destroying huts vic BS523689. Also found 2 more huts killed 3 pigs. Co D est will finish destruction of hut complex at 1445 hrs.	Bde, CO, S3	<i>h</i>			
32	1450	(C)	Co D completed destruction of hut complex at 1445 hrs (ref item #31)	Bde, CO, S3 <sup>9m</sup>	<i>gm</i>			
33	1526	(C)	Co D (-) rec hvy AW & semi-AW fire fr unk nr of en vic BS518708. Unable to pinpoint en loc. Calling in arty & 81mm on suspected en psn.	Bde, CO, S3	<i>gm</i>			
34	1545	(C)	Co D still rec lt SA fire, vic BS510715. Adjusting arty on suspected en psn <sup>6m</sup>	Bde, CO, S3	<i>gm</i>			
35	1550	(C)	Co D req airstrike vic BS512708; 12-15 VC w/automatic & semi-auto wpn hidden on rocky ridge.	Bde, CO, S3	<i>gm</i>			
36	1550	(C)	Co D rept 1 US WHA vic BS518708 w/thigh wound. Req DUSTOFF, category: routine.	Bde, CO, S3	<i>gm</i>			
37	1600	(C)	Bn SITREP: Co D in contact w/12-15 en vic BS512708, no change in loc. 1 4.2" mort loc LZ DOTTIE, Hvy mort plat (-) no change in loc.	Bde	<i>gm</i>			
38	1620	(C)	FAC contacted CPT McAnaw: Airstrike on BS512708 will be in 15 min.	CO, S3	<i>gm</i>			

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39	1625	(C)	Co D still rec sniper fire fr vic BS512-708. Arty still coming in.	Bde,CO,S3	gm		
40	1703	(C)	Co A 1st plat SITREP neg, loc same; Co D same loc, still in contact.				
41	1705	(C)	Airstrike requested commenced at this time. (ref item #35).	Bde,CO	gm		
42	1720	(C)	Co D still rec sniper fire fr ridge. Est 8 VC firing. Possibly 1 VC plat dug in in ridge.				
43	1727	(C)	Ref item #41, Airstrike completed at this time. Results neg.				
44	1800	(C)	Co A 1st plat loc same, SITREP neg. Co D loc same, presently engaged w/VC unit <sup>25 possibly same</sup> est several plats in strength.	Bde,CO,S3	gm		
45	1813	(C)	4-3 Inf utility helicopter vic BS732823 rec undetermined amount of semi-auto fire fr 2 different loc at altitude of 1200 ft; acft remained airborne & engaged 5 <sup>VC</sup> <del>pos</del> <sup>pos</sup> returned <sup>gm</sup> w/ <sup>unk</sup> neg results.	Bde,CO,S3	gm		
46	1830	(C)	Co D req DUSTOFF for 2 US WHA, w/leg wound category: priority, litter. Dustoff completed 1915 hrs.	Bde,CO,S3	gm		
47	1830	(C)	Info for Bn S-5, CPT Gouzoules, ref ammo collected from children vic BS624784:	CO,S3,S2,Bde,M	gm		
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47	Cont	(c)	54 rds 60mm mort ammo; 2400 rds .30 cal linked ammo; 700 rds .30 cal for M-1 rifle; 2 M79 gren rounds; 1 Claymore; 1 oxygen tank. Money will be paid on 11 Apr 68.				
48	1900	(c)	Unit SITREP neg for Co A; 1st plat loc same Co D presently engaged w/unlk en force at least 2 plats in size, loc BS523703 (Co D(-)), <sup>1 Plat</sup> <del>2d sqd 3d plat</del> loc BS521718; PF loc rec fr Binh Son HQ: 1st psn BS618878, 2d psn BS623868.	Bde, CO, S3, M	gm		
49	1910	(c)	At 1840 hrs, CPT McAnaw req gunships to spt Co D. Bde S-3(Air) stated 1 gunship available. Can not send 2d gunship for at least another hour.	CO, S3 req canceled in	gm		
50	1915	(c)	Req for "Spooky" mission to spt Co D (by CPT McAnaw) appr by Bde.	CO, S3	gm		
51	1930	(c)	Fr Bde S-3(Air): 1st Spooky for Co D will be on station at 1950 hrs.	CO, S3			
52	1938	(c)	Co B ambush element dprt LZ DOTTIE to establish ambush at prescribed loc.	CO, S3, Bde	gm		
53	1938	(c)	Co A 1st plat ambush loc as fol: plat(-) BS567903, 1st sqd BS564905, 3d sqd BS 369909.	CO, S3, Bde, M	gm		
54	2001	(c)	En fire ceased on Co D at 1945 hrs.	Bde, CO, S3, M	gm		

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55	2001	(c)	Co D stated that en firing ceased at 1948 hrs; present loc BS528719.	Bde,CO,S3	hm			
56			CPT McAnaw req UH-1D to resupply Co D vic BS528710 w/ammunition. Req appr.	Bde S3(Air) CO,S3	hm			
57	2045	(c)	6sqd 1st plat Co B established ambush loc vic BS620835.	Bde,CO,S3	hm			
58	2050	(c)	Spooky expended ordnance in spt of Co D at 2-48 hrs and ret to station, results unk.	Bde,CO,S3	hm			
59	2104	(c)	Bn SITREP neg. loc: Co D NDP BS528710.					
60	2105	(c)	CPT Gouzoules rept loc of 4-3 Inf ambush elements to 5-46 Inf.					
61	2115	(c)	Ambush sqd at BS620834 (1st plat Co B) sprang ambush resulting in 3 VC KIA. No friendly casualties. Req permission to pull back to DOTTIE.	CO,S3,Bde, Permission granted.	hm			
62	2135	(c)	Telecon between MAJ Holck & MAJ McKnight ref req for tanks for planned atk against 48th VC Bn. Reply: plan on 1 tank plat. 13 Apr is planned date for op against 48th VC Bn. Co C will return to OPCON 4-3 Inf on the afternoon of 10 Apr. COL Henderson will arr on IZ DOTTIE between 0745-0810 hrs 10 Apr to discuss future op.	CO,S3	hm			

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63	2145	(c)	Engr officer will be at LZ DOTTIE some- time after 101000H Apr to discuss construc- tion of fire base.				
64	2155	(c)	At 2135 hrs rec info fr Binh Son Dist HQ: 1 VC Bn loc BS464899, 480686, 472895; mission: to atk friendly ops. 2 VC guer- rilla plats, Cmdr: Phan Dien & Phan Nhu, loc BS624901, BS625901, Strength: 80 to incl VC cadre; wpns: 2 BAR, indiv wpns; mixed uniform. Due to US ops, VC are hiding vic BS640894. Eval of both C-3.				
65	2215	(c)	Co D rept 2d & last resupply sortie to their NDP at 2212 hrs. 1st sortie com- pleted 2135 hrs.	Bde,CO,S3			
66	2231	(c)	Co B 1st sqd 1st plat ambush element closed LZ DOTTIE at this time.	Bde,CO,S3			
67	2303	(c)	Recon rept dprt OP GEORGE at 2300 hrs on asg mission.	Bde			
68	2400	(c)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.				
69		(c)	Summary: Operations continued as normal with the 4-3 Inf CP located at LZ Dottie. Co A remained on LZ Sue continuing LZ security. The 1st Plat of Co A continued Golden Fleece operations throughout the Tra Bong River/valley area with ambushes vic BS563894. Co B remained on LZ Dottie and Uplight vic BS628856 and BS725855 as LZ security. Co B 1st Plat				
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			(Summary cont) sprang an ambush at 2115 hours vic BS620834 resulting in				
			3 VC KIA by body count. Co C remained OPCON 1-20 Inf. Co D executed a				
			combat sweep south to vic BS525693 and then began operating north in a				
			combat sweep movement. At 1500 hours vic BS518708 Co D received heavy				
			AW and semi-AW fire from an unknown size enemy force. Co D continued to				
			receive heavy AW and semi-AW fire until 1948 hours when enemy fire ceased.				
			Enemy estimated to be at least 2 plat size. Air strikes and arty were				
			called in on enemy locations with unknown results. Co D suffered 3 US				
			casualties, all of which were extracted at 1915 hours. Recon continued				
			OP George security throughout the day. At 2300 hours Recon departed OP				
			George to establish ambush sites.				
70	2400	(0)	JOURNAL CLOSED.				

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