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	IN	OUT				
01	0001	(U)	Journal Opened.			
02	0020	(C)	Co C CP loc AT952264, 2d sqd 2d plat amb AT958265, 2d plat 1st sqd amb AT952264, 3d plat 1st sqd amb AT958269, 3d plat 2d sqd amb AT958275.	Bde	DMD	
03	0030	(C)	Radar rept small group of pers at AT914217. Fired 4 rds arty; pers massed & continued to move. Arty fired zone swp; movement ceased.	Bde	DMD	
04	0100	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde	DMD	
05	0200	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde	DMD	
06	0300	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde	DMD	
07	0400	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde	DMD	
08	0500	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde	DMD	
09	0501	(C)	Co A Stand-to complete.	CO	DMD	
10	0505	(C)	Co A OPs closed LZ O'CONNOR 0500 hrs.	Bde	DMD	
11	0600	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde	DMD	
12	0608	(C)	At AT953264 Co C 2d plat amb element KIA 1 VC (male) age 27-30 yrs, evading. En was in grey clothing; no wpn, gear or documents.	Bde,CO,S3,S2	DMD	
13	0645	(C)	Co A 1st element dprt LZ O'CONNOR on asg mission.	Bde,S3	DMD	
14	0650	(C)	Unit Strengths: A-113, B-92, C-101,	Cont		

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14	Cont		D-114, E-69, Bn Hq-48.	CO	JRS
15	0655	(C)	Co B OP closed LZ LURCH at 0640 hrs.	Bde	JRS
16	0656	(C)	Co D amb closed LZ KAREN 0600 hrs w/neg res.	Bde	JRS
17	0700	(C)	Bn SITREP msg, loc same.	CO,S3	JRS
18	0705	(C)	Co C loc: (Center of mass) AT955266.	Bde	JRS
19	0725	(C)	At AT887227 MAJ McAnaw, Bn S3 obs 15-20 people moving SW on road.	Bde	JRS
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20	0800	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc: Co A AT918247; CIDG amb closed in.	CO,S3,M	JRS
21	0851	(C)	Recon Plat & Co D 2d plat dprt LZ KAREN.	CO,S3	JRS
22	0855	(C)	At 0845 hrs Co A req DUSTOFF for 1 US w/ frag wounds fr mine explosion. Category: URGENT. Location: AT913251.	Bde,CO,S3,M	JRS
23	0910	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, w/exception ref item 22; loc: Co A AT913246; Co B LZ LURCH; Co C AT938258; Co D(-) LZ KAREN; Recon Plat & Co D 2d plat AT901240; CIDG will be work- ing along a line fr AT906257 to AT917266.	Bde,CO,S3,M	JRS
24	0930	(C)	Ref item #22: Individ KHA; Line nr 7, SSG James Hildebrandt. Detonated M16 mine in doorway of hootch. Found 1 male & 3 children in hootch. Male to be evac for	Bde,CO,S3,S2	JRS
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24	Cont		interrogation.		
25	1010	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same. except: Co C AT945250; Recon Plat & Co D 2d plat AT 905239.	CO,S3,M	JRS
26	1011	(C)	Recon Plat, AT905239, req DUSTOFF for 1 US w/gunshot wound in forearm. Category: URGENT. Indiv: PFC Stephen R Gray. DUSTOFF completed by C/C ship at 1020 hrs. (Non-battle wound).	Bde,CO,S3	JRS
27	1032	(C)	Msg fr higher: AO ext to GS AT8822, AT 8823 for 4-21 Inf appr until 181800 H Jul 68.	CO,S3,M	JRS
28	1100	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc: Co D 2d plat & Recon Plat AT899243; Co C AT938245; CIDG AT916- 267.	Bde,CO,S3,M	JRS
29	1110	(C)	At 1056 hrs MINUTE MAN Helicopter rec 3-4 rds AW fire vic BT018038. Neg hits; acft was enroute fr LZ ROSS to LZ O'CONNOR.		
30	1155	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc: Co A AT913247; Recon Plat & Co D 2d plat AT900240; Co C 1st plat AT938242.	CO,S3,M	JRS
31	1230	(C)	Ref items 22, 24: CORRECTION. Booby trap was not M-16 mine; was made from 20mm rd and powder.	CO,S3,S2	JRS

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32	1240	(C)	At 1045 hrs arty fire on AT958239 resulted in 1 VC KIA(P); observed by Btry C, 3-82 Arty LSG. At 1115 arty fire on AT947299 resulted in 4 VC KIA(P); mission was observed.	Bde, CO, S3, M	JRS
33	1300	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc: Co A AT917254; Co D 2d plat AT914238; Recon Plat AT913237; Co C closed on LZ O'CONNOR at 1230 hrs.	Bde, CO, S3, M	JRS
34	1400	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc: Co D 2d plat & Recon Plat AT897243.	CO, S3, M	JRS
35	1411	(C)	COL Kroesen, Bde Cmdr, arr LZ O'CONNOR at 1357 hrs; met & briefed by LTC Russell; dprt this time.	S3	JRS
36	1415	(C)	At 1400 hrs Co A 2d plat, AT912250, apprehended 5 VCS (2 males 45-50 yrs old, 1 female 10 yrs old, 2 females 50-60 yrs old). All w/o ID cards, had 1 pr sandals 1 canteen in possession. Interpreter states indiv are SVN; however, they have hair on legs. Will extract.	Bde, CO, S3, S2	JRS
37	1430	(C)	AO ext appr by 5-46 Inf eff 190600 H Jul 68 to 191900 H Jul 68 to incl area fr AT916210 E to AT930210, N to AT930220, E To AT960220, & N to AT960233.	CO, S3, M	JRS
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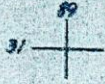
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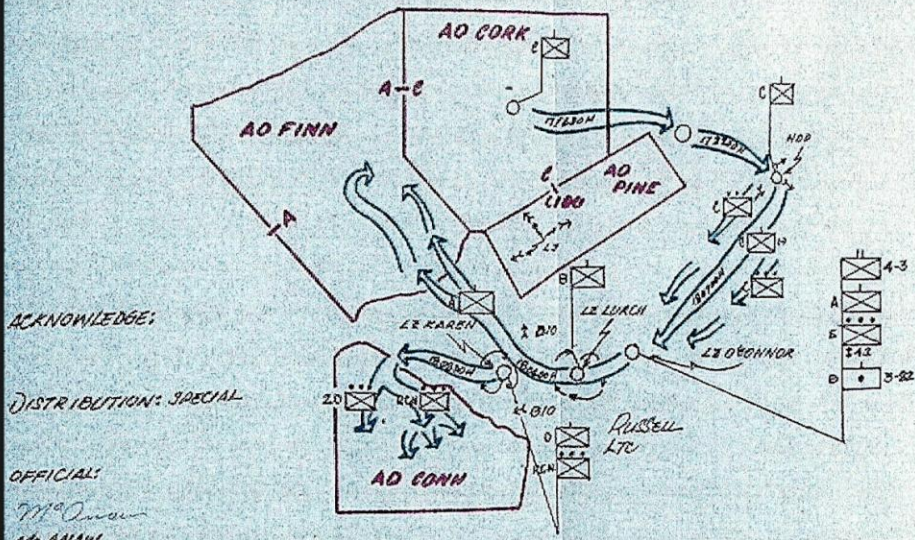
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38	1500	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc: Co D 2d plat & Recon Plat AT885240.	Bde, CO, S3, M	DMD
39	1555	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc: Co D 2d plat & Recon Plat AT911246; CIDG element closed on CP at 1515 hrs. At AT911263 CIDG found 1 issue case, 1 homemade gas mask, 2 rds 5.56mm short, 1 bandage & 1 empty medicine bottle. At same loc observed 1 VC evading.	CO, S3, M	DMD
40	1605	(C)	Co D 2d plat & Recon Plat closed on LZ KAREN.	Bde, CO, S3, M	DMD
41	1630	(C)	Rec VR rept fr Bde: AT844200, ZC101217, ZC094200, AT820147, ZC102203, ZC120240, ZC124268, BT038053 (Div Hq element), AT 998222, ZC127224.	CO, S3, S2	DMD
42	1650	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde, CO, S3	DMD
43	1750	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc: Co A NDP AT904249.	CO, S3, M	DMD
44	1900	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde, CO, S3	DMD
45	1955	(C)	Co D amb loc AT933242.	Bde, M	DMD
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46	2000	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde, CO, S3	DMD
47	2015	(C)	Co C OP loc: AT933242, 937243, 932240.	Bde, M	DMD
48	2020	(C)	Co A 1st plat amb loc AT902245, Co A OP loc AT903250, AT902247.	Bde	DMD
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49	2025	(C)	CIDG amb dprt NDP this time.		
50	2100	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde	DMD
51	2155	(C)	CIDG amb in psn as of 2030 hrs: AT912258, AT918253, & AT925281. Neg contact.	Bde,M	DMD
52	2157	(C)	Co B amb in psn as of 2015 hrs: 2d plat loc AT916234. Neg contact.	Bde,M	DMD
53	2120	(C)	At 1715 hrs CIDG adjusted fire (MG) on VC in tree line vic AT922255 w/neg results. At 1834 hrs CIDG called in mort fire on 2 VC in woodline (no wpns observed); results neg.		
54	2155	(C)	Co D mort plat on LZ KAREN sighted flash at approx loc AT870220 (fr LZ KAREN, 4500 mils).	Bde	DMD
55	2200	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde	DMD
56	2240	(C)	Radar sighted movement of est 5 man force at AT916221, moving N; arty & Hvy mort fired on grid & movement ceased.	Bde	DMD
57	2300	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde	DMD
58	2335	(C)	Radar rept light at AT942236; Hvy mort fired on grid, resulting in light out.	Bde	DMD
59	2355	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde	DMD
60	(U)	2400	Journal Closed.		
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Reference: Maps, S Vietnam; Series L7014; Sheets: 6640 I,II,III & IV.

1. MISSION: 4-3 Inf conducts offensive operations in assigned AO; secures FSBs LZ KAREN (AT914238), LZ LURCH (AT925238), and LZ O'CONNOR (AT934243); continues reserve TF COOKSEY; prepares to conduct, on order, combat assault, location TBA.
2. Co A conducts combat sweep and offensive search in AO FINN; establishes NDP vic AT900258 NLT 181530 H Jul 68; conducts night move, commencing 182100 H Jul 68, and establishes 3 ambush positions in AO SKYE to interdict trails vic AT907246, AT911248, and AT914246; moves, commencing 190700 H Jul 68, NW and continues combat sweep and offensive search in AO FINN.
3. Co B continues to secure LZ LURCH; establishes 1 night ambush vic AT920-230 and 3 night OPs; conducts platoon daylight combat sweep, commencing 190630 H Jul 68, out to a range of 400m from perimeter; one (1) platoon moves with Recon platoon (Team GREEN), commencing 190600 H Jul 68, along prescribed route, crossing the CHANG River vic AT930230; conducts combat sweep to E and intensified search vic AT946230; returns to LZ LURCH NLT 191800 H Jul 68.
4. Co C secures LZ O'CONNOR; improves defensive positions; establishes minimum of 3 night OPs; conducts platoon size combat patrol, commencing 190800 H Jul 68, out to a range of 300m from perimeter wire; moves, commencing 190600 H Jul 68, one (1) platoon to conduct intensified search vic AT946236 and establish blocking position on N bank of the CHANG River from AT942235 to AT949234, in support of Team GREEN; returns NLT 191830 H Jul 68.
5. Co D secures LZ KAREN; improves defensive positions; establishes one (1) platoon size night ambush vic AT920235 and 3 night OPs; conducts platoon daylight combat patrol, commencing 190730 H Jul 68, out to a range of 400m from FSB perimeter.
6. Co E.
 - a. Recon Platoon moves from LZ KAREN, commencing 190545 H Jul 68, with platoon Co B (Team GREEN) along prescribed route; crosses CHANG River vic AT930230; conducts combat sweep to E and intensified search vic AT946230; provides command headquarters for Team GREEN; and returns to LZ KAREN NLT 191900 H Jul 68.

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b. Hvy Mort Plat: No change.

7. CIDG Co vic Hill 118 (AT920259) establishes 3 night ambushes vic Hill 118 and conducts offensive search operations, commencing 190800 H Jul 68, in AO PINE.

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Annex A (Operation Overlay)

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