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					0001	26 Jul 68	2400	26 Jul 68
ITEM NO.	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INI- TIALS			
	IN	OUT						
01	0001	(U)	Journal Opened.					
02	0100	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde	DMD			
03	0200	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde	DMD			
04	0300	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde	DMD			
05	0400	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde	DMD			
06	0500	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde	DMD			
07	0600	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde	DMD			
08	0625	(C)	4-3 Inf unit strengths: A-112, B-99, C-122, D-125, E-57, Hq-56.	CO	DMD			
09	0628	(C)	Co B OPs closed NDP w/neg results.					
10	0634	(C)	Co A OPs closed LZ O'CONNOR 0630 hrs.	Bde	DMD			
11	0645	(C)	Co D OPs closed LZ KAREN 0630 hrs; D/5-46 Inf OPs closed LZ POLAR BEAR 0640 hrs.	Bde	DMD			
12	0648	(C)	CIDG amb & OPs closed CP loc 0635 hrs.	Bde	DMD			
13	0700	(C)	Bn SITREP neg; Co D patrol commenced movement 0655 hrs; M-Force OPs in patrol commenced movement 0700 hrs.	Bde	DMD			
14	0755	(C)	Co D patrol loc AT914237; M-Force patrol AT924237; Co A patrol commenced movement 0735 hrs; All units rept neg SITREP.	CO,S3,M	DMD			
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Name and Grade of Officer on Duty DANIEL M DORE, 1LT Inf				Signature <i>Daniel M. Dore</i>				



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15	0840 (C)	Co D 3d plat 1st sqd dprt LZ LURCH enroute to LZ KAREN.	CO,S3		JRS	
16	0855 (C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc: Co D 2d plat AT912238 M-Force patrol AT922235.	Bde,CO,S3,M		JRS	
17	0905 (C)	Co A patrol ret to LZ O'CONNOR fr perimeter swp w/neg results.	CO,S3		JRS	
18	1000 (C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc: Co B 1st plat AT895274; CIDG patrol AT920250; M-Force patrol AT 918241.	CO,S3,M		JRS	
19	1055 (C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc: CIDG patrol AT910250; M-Force patrol AT924250; Co D 2d plat closed on LZ KAREN 1040 hrs.	Bde,CO,S3,M		JRS	
20	1115 (C)	M-Force patrol observed & engaged 1 VC evading vic AT920248. Results neg.	Bde,CO,S3,M		JRS	
21	1153 (C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc: CIDG patrol AT906250; M-Force patrol AT928242.	CO,S3,M		JRS	
22	1250 (C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc: M-Force patrol closed on LZ LURCH at this time.	Bde,CO,S3,M		JRS	
23	1307 (C)	COL Kroesen, Bde Cmdr, arr LZ O'CONNOR; met & briefed by MAJ McAnaw, S3; dprt 1330 hrs.	CO		JRS	
24	1335 (C)	Co D 3d plat spotted a group of VN wearing blk PJs and white pith helmets vic AT 897242 (approx 1500m fr LZ KAREN) attempting to cross river.	CO,S3,M No action taken.		JRS JRS	
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25	1340	(C)	CIDG exchange of personnel. LZ time 1340 hrs, PZ time 1325 hrs; 2d lift PZ time 1423 hrs, LZ time 1437 hrs.	Bde,CO,S3	JRS
26	1355	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc: CIDG patrol closed on CP at 1347 hrs.	CO,S3,M	JRS
27	1400	(C)	Req DUSTOFF for 1 US w/multiple burns. Indiv was mixing fuel to burn grass around LZ O'CONNOR. Dustoff completed 1419 hrs.	Bde,CO,S3,SI	JRS
28	1450	(C)	Ref item 27, indiv: CPT Hendrix, CO, Co A. Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde,CO,S3,SI	JRS
29	1517	(C)	Util helicopter obs 1 VC w/wpn in open vic AT945256.	Bde,CO,S3,M	JRS
30	1520	(C)	Bn CO obs 3 VC w/wpns vic AT948235. Time of observation 1510 hrs; results unk.	Bde,CO,S3,M	JRS
31	1553	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	CO,S3	JRS
32	1650	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde,CO,S3	JRS
33	1655	(C)	BLUE GHOST rept neg findings at loc: AT9022, 9021, 9020, 9120, 9322, 9422,9522. Area is mostly run down fields. On W side of river are several large defensive bunkers under construction. Vic AT908- 227 observed 1 large bunker, 8 ft deep w/ 2 trench lines running W.	CO,S3	JRS
34	1708	(C)	BLUE GHOST dprt 4-3 Inf AO.	CO,S3	JRS
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35	1753	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	CO,S3	DMD			
36	1853	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde,CO,S3	DMD			
37	1908	(C)	Msg fr Bde SDO: Firefly mission in AO, W along SONG CHANG fr vic AT969233 to junction w/SONG TRANH to southern AO boundary. Time approx 2220 hrs. Gnd contact: NORSEMAN 65 on Cmd net.	CO,S3	DMD			
38	1910	(C)	Msg fr Bde S2: Intel rept regt Hqs loc vic BT035026.	CO,S3	DMD			
39	1950	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde,CO,S3	DMD			
40	2018	(C)	Co A OPs in psn; Co B OPs in psn: 2d plat loc AT897280, 3d plat AT901287; Recon OPs in psn.	Bde,CO,S3	DMD			
41	2021	(C)	Co D OPs in psn.	CO,S3	DMD			
42	2030	(C)	CIDG OPs in psn 2020 hrs: AT926260, 917- 258, 919263; Co C OPs in psn 2000 hrs: 1st plat 2d sqd AT897292, 2d plat 2d sqd AT907298, 3d plat 1st sqd Tm B AT906297, mort plat Tm B AT905296.	Bde,CO,S3,M	DMD			
43	2032	(C)	FO on LZ POLAR BEAR obs moving light vic AT934235.	CO,S3	DMD			
44	2045	(C)	Co C obs 6-8 stationary lights in valley vic AT925275. Arty fired.	CO,S3	DMD			
45	2050	(C)	Co B 2d plat 1st sqd lbs 7-8 moving	Cont				
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45	Cont		lights moving at range 700m toward thedr psn vic AT896275. Arty fired & lights went out.	CO,S3	DMD
46	2100	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde,CO,S3	DMD
47	2130	(C)	Radar picked up approx 12 readings; cen- ter of mass of groups is AT95742390.	Bde,CO,S3	DMD
48	2136	(C)	Radar obs flickering lights in area of movement. Movement appears to be converg- ing into one mass. Arty fired.	Bde,CO,S3	DMD
49	2200	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde,CO,S3	DMD
50	2205	(C)	Flare ship mission commences at this time.	Bde,CO,S3	DMD
51	2238	(C)	<sup>2235 DMD</sup> At 2235 hrs Psyops tm commenced work; will continue until approx 2300 hrs.	CO,S3	DMD
52	2240	(C)	Ref item #50, flaeship dprt 4-3 Inf AO.	CO,S3	DMD
53	2245	(C)	Radar picked up a large group moving S at approx AT926236.		
54	2300	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde	DMD
55	2315	(C)	Radar picked up approx 10-15 indiv at AT 955235. Arty zone swp fired. En dis- persed.	Bde	DMD
56	2340	(C)	Radar picked up moving tgt (small group of indiv at AT956236. Appear to be searching for something. Arty fired.	Bde,CO	DMD
57	2400	(D)	Bn SITREP neg. Journal Closed.		
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Reference: Maps, S Vietnam 1:50,000; Series 6640 III & 6639 IV.

Task Org: (Mission Overlay)

A/4-3 Inf 2 Tns 48th IPSD	D/5-46 Inf(=) (OPCON) 2 Tns 48th IPSD	GS Tn (PPS-5)/4-31 Inf (GS)
B/4-3	Tn 62d IPTT	B/3-16 Arty (DS)
C/4-3		
D/4-3	CIDG Co (OPCON)	
E/4-3	15th MIKE FORCE Co (OPCON)	

1. MISSION: No change.
2. Co A secures LZ O'CONNOR; improves defensive positions; establishes minimum of 3 night OPs; conducts plat daylight combat patrol out to a range of 400 meters from FSB perimeter, commencing 270630 H Jul 68; continues mission reaction force 4-3 Inf.
3. Co B: No change.
4. Co C: No change.
5. Co D secures LZ KAREN; improves defensive positions; establishes minimum of 3 night OPs; conducts plat combat patrol out to a range of 450 meters from perimeter, commencing 270615 H Jul 68.
6. Co E.
  - a. Recon Plat secures LZ LURCH with 15th MIKE FORCE Co; improves defensive positions; establishes 1 night OP.
  - b. Hvy Mort Plat: No change.
7. Co D 5-46 Inf(=) secures HILL 210; improves defensive positions; establishes minimum of 3 night OPs; conducts plat combat patrol out to a range of 500 meters from perimeter, commencing 270645 H Jul 68.
8. 15th MIKE FORCE Co secures LZ LURCH with Recon Plat; improves defensive positions; establishes minimum of 4 night OPs; conducts combat patrol in assigned AO, commencing 270715 H Jul 68.
9. CIDG Co secures HILL 118 (AT910257); improves defensive positions; establishes minimum of 3 night OPs and 1 plat ambush via AT916265; conducts combat patrol in assigned AO, commencing 270815 H Jul 68.

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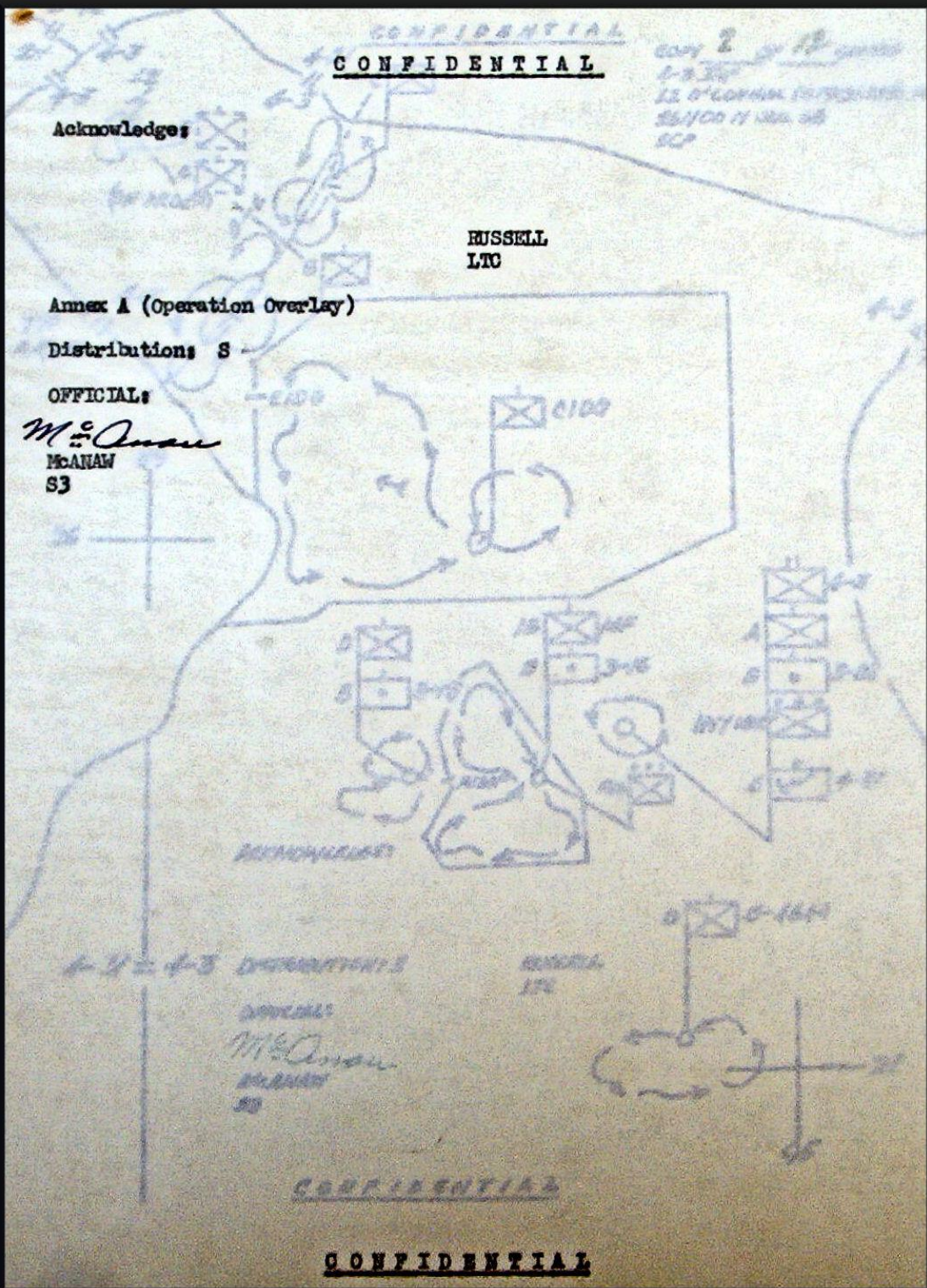
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Annex A (Operation Overlay)

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