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			Hour	Date	Hour	Date
			0001	29 Jul 68	2400	29 Jul 68
MEM NO.	TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INTI-TIALS		
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	0205	(C) At 0145 hrs Co D rept 3d plat obs explosions (possibly 20 rds .60mm mort) at range 300- 400 meters, AZ 210°. Co D did not req counter mort or illum fires.	Bde	DMD		
05	0210	(C) Recon Plat obs flashes from AT910229 AZ 3700 mils. Arty fired zone sweep.	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 (except CIDG Co with which there has been no radio con- tact in the last hour).	Bde	DMD		
09	0550	(C) All units 4-3 Inf and atch units strengths: A 103, B 90, C 111, D 118, E 57, Hq 56; D/5-46 93; MIKE FORCE 79.				
10	0600	(C) Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde	DMD		
11	0605	(C) Bn IRRP loc AT947203.	Bde	DMD		
12	0606	(C) Co B 1st plat OPs closed NDP 0546 hrs.	Bde	DMD		
13	0610	(C) Co B 1st 2d & 3d plat dprt NDP on peri- meter sweep.	Bde	DMD		
14	0612	(C) Co C 2d plat 2d sqd will remain in same loc.	Bde	DMD		

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	IN	OUT			
15	0612	(C)	Co C OP returning at this time.	Bde	JRS
16	0612	(C)	Co C 1st plat 2d sqd element departing NDP at this time.	Bde	JRS
17	0613	(C)	Co C 2d plat 1st sqd will depart 0625 hrs.	Bde	JRS
18	0625	(C)	Ref item #17, element moving at this time.	Bde	JRS
19	0630	(C)	Co A 1st plat depart LZ O'CONNOR 0600 hrs on perimeter sweep.	Bde	JRS
20	0635	(C)	D/5-46 OP closed HILL 210.	Bde	JRS
21	0645	(C)	Recon OPs return to LZ LURCH.	Bde	JRS
22	0646	(C)	CIDG amb closed at 0600 hrs; OPs will re- main out.	Bde	JRS
23	0700	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde	JRS
24	0736	(C)	CIDG element moving out on asg mission.	Bde	JRS
25	0740	(C)	MIKE FORCE OP closed at this time.	Bde	JRS
26	0741	(C)	Co D 3d plat 2d sqd depart 0650 hrs on asg mission.	Bde	JRS
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27	0800	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	CO,S3	JRS
28	0815	(C)	Co D 5-46 Inf 3d plat 2d sqd depart HILL 210 on perimeter sweep.	CO,S3	JRS
29	0826	(C)	Co A 1st plat closed on LZ O'CONNOR fr perimeter sweep at 0715 hrs.	CO,S3	JRS
30	0835	(C)	Air Strike completed at AT975165; neg	Cont	
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	IN	OUT				
30	Cont		secondary explosions.	CO,S3	JRS	
31	0855	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, Co B elements closed on CP 0845 hrs; Co D 3d plat 2d sqd closed on LZ KAREN.	Bde,CO,S3,M	JRS	
32	0912	(C)	Co D 5-46 Inf 3d plat 2d sqd closed on HILL 210 fr perimeter sweep.	CO,S3	JRS	
33	0926	(C)	COL Kroesen, Bde Cmdr, arr LZ O'CONNOR; met & briefed by LTC Russell & MAJ McAnaw; dprt 0950 hrs.	CO,S3	JRS	
34	0950	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	CO,S3	JRS	
35	1000	(C)	Rec Fragord 7-68 to Opord 12-68, 196th LIB, fr CPT Sam, S3 Air.	CO,S3	JRS	
36	1040	(C)	LATE ENTRY: Co A 2d plat dprt LZ O'CONNOR 0920 hrs, closed LZ LURCH 0940 hrs.	CO,S3,M	JRS	
37	1050	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde,CO,S3	JRS	
38	1100	(C)	At 0900 hrs CIDG, AT912267, CIA 1 VC w/ wpn (M-1 carbine, SN 6416081) & 2 clips ammo. VC was wearing khaki uniform and hiding in a hut. Also possessed documents.	Bde,CO,S3,S2 Evac to BALDY	JRS	
3911	1153	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	CO,S3	JRS	
40	1203	(C)	MC ship engaged 2 VC vic AT947157 w/neg results.	Bde,CO,S3,M	JRS	
41	1215	(C)	Extraction time of 1st 155mm How: 1215 hrs; Extraction fr LZ LURCH.	Bde,CO,S3	JRS	
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42	1255	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde,CO,S3	JRS
43	1322	(C)	C&C ship, AT935276 engaged 3 VC evading resulting in 1 VC KIA; En were wearing blk PJs and moving to SW.	Bde,CO,S3,S2	JRS
44	1355	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	CO,S3	JRS
45	1409	(C)	Extraction of MIKE FORCE fr LZ DURCH com- pleted at this time. 1st of 2 lifts was made at 1325 hrs.	Bde,CO,S3	JRS
46	1420	(C)	C&C ship, AT937279, engaged & KIA 2 VC; En were wearing blk PJs and evading to W.	Bde,CO,S3,M	JRS
47	1450	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde,CO,S3	JRS
48	1550	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	CO,S3	JRS
49	1610	(C)	LRRP obs 5 VC in open vic AT953200. Arty fired w/neg assessment of en losses.	Bde,CO,S3,M	JRS
50	1650	(C)	LRRP obs 10-12 en in open vic AT954199. Arty fired w/neg assessment.	Bde,CO,S3,M	JRS
51	1700	(C)	Bn SITREP neg except as in item 50; LRRP loc AT952200.	Bde,CO,S3,M	JRS
52	1730	(C)	Msg fr SSG Harper, TFC Hq: All moves postponed 1 day; all VIP visits remain the same. Bde CO will have meeting of all COs 30 Jul 68, time TBA.	CO,S3	JRS
53	1745	(C)	LRRP loc AT951203.	CO,S3	JRS
54	1800	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	CO,S3	JRS
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55	1813 (C) <del>OP</del>	Bunker guards on LZ O'CONNOR obs 1 VC move into woodline N of LZ; fired 81mm mort vic AT928248. Results unk.	CO,S3		DMD	
56	1845 (C) <del>OP</del>	D/S-46 OPs in psn.	CO,S3		DMD	
57	1900 (C) <del>OP</del>	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde,CO,S3		DMD	
58	1900 (C) <del>OP</del>	LRRP obs camp fire vic AT954213.	CO,S3		DMD	
59	1950 (C) <del>OP</del>	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde,CO,S3		DMD	
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60	2005 (C)	Co B OPs in psn, 2d plat 1st sqd loc AT 901287, 3d plat 1st sqd AT897280.	Bde,CO,S3		DMD	
61	2010 (C)	Co A OPs in psn.	CO,S3		DMD	
62	2019 (C)	Co D OPs in psn.	CO,S3		DMD	
63	2020 (C)	Co C OPs: 1st plat 2d sqd AT905287, 2d plat 1st sqd AT908298, 3d plat 2d sqd Tm B AT906297, mort plat Tm B AT905296.	Bde,CO,S3		DMD	
64	2021 (C)	Recon OPs in psn.	CO,S3		DMD	
65	2055 (C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde,CO,S3		DMD	
66	2150 (C)	Co D personnel obs light & engaged w/SA and MG fire; neg results.	CO,S3		DMD	
67	2155 (C)	LATE ENTRY: Aerial Observer rept at 1310 hrs. AT972165, saw nothing but a trail running N-S up a ridge. Trail was well used & has been used recently.	Bde,CO,S3		DMD	
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68	2156	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde,CO,S3	DMD
69	2300	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde,CO	DMD
70	2400	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde	DMD
71	(U)	2400	Journal Closed.		

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290800 H Jul 68

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Reference: Maps, S Vietnam 1:50,000; Series L7014; Sheet 6640 III.

Task Org:

A/4-3 Inf	D/5-46(-) Inf (OPCON)
Tm 48th IPSD	Tm 48th IPSD
B/4-3	CIDG Co (OPCON)
C/4-3	15th MIKE FORCE
D/4-3	B/3-82 Arty (DS)
E/4-3	
LRRP X-RAY/4-3 Inf	

1. MISSION: 4-3 Inf conducts offensive and reconnaissance operations in assigned AO; maintains cordon in assigned sector; secures LZ KAREN (AT913288), LZ LURCH (AT926238), LZ O'CONNOR (AT934243), HILL 210 (AT939212) and HILL 118 (AT910257); releases OPCON 15th MIKE FORCE Co, effective completion of CH-47B extraction from LZ LURCH.

2. Co A secures LZ O'CONNOR; improves defensive positions; establishes minimum of 3 night OPs; conducts plat combat patrol out to a range of 400 meters from FSB perimeter, commencing 300630 H Jul 68; moves 1 rifle plat and 2 81mm mort squads, commencing 290900 H Jul 68, to LZ LURCH, OPCON Recon Plat effective closing time.

3. Co B maintains cordon in assigned sector; effects coordination with ARVN unit on left flank; establishes minimum of 4 night OPs; conducts reconnaissance patrols in assigned sector, commencing 300605 H Jul 68; prepares to move S, on order, and collocate NDP with Co C north of HILL 118.

4. Co C maintains Cordon in assigned sector; effects coordination with D/4-21 Inf on right flank; establishes minimum of 4 night OPs; conducts reconnaissance patrols in assigned sector, commencing 300615 H Jul 68; prepares to move S, on order, and collocate NDP with Co B north of HILL 118.

5. Co D secures LZ KAREN; improves defensive positions; establishes minimum of 3 night OPs; conducts plat combat patrol, commencing 300630 H Jul 68, out to a range of 500 meters from perimeter.

6. Co E.

a. Recon Plat secures LZ LURCH with 1 rifle plat/Co A and 2 81mm squads; improves defensive positions; establishes 1 night OP; conducts combat sweep, commencing 300615 H Jul 68, out to a range of 400 meters from perimeter.

b. Hvy Mort Plat: No change.

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c. GS Sec (PPS-5): GS LZ O'CONNOR.

7. Co D/5-46 Inf(-) secures HILL 210; improves defensive positions; establishes minimum of 3 night OPs; conducts plat combat patrol along prescribed route, commencing 300645 H Jul 68; conducts plat combat sweep, commencing 300700 H Jul 68, out to a range of 300 meters from perimeter.
8. 15th MIKE FORCE Co prepares for CH-47B airlift, commencing 291100 H Jul 68; released OPCON 4-3 Inf effective completion of extraction from LZ DURCH.
9. CIDG Co secures HILL 118; improves defensive positions; establishes minimum of 3 night OPs and 1 plat ambush vic AT920271; conducts combat patrol in assigned AO, commencing 300700 H Jul 68.
10. LRRP X-RAY continues surveillance and search mission in assigned AO.

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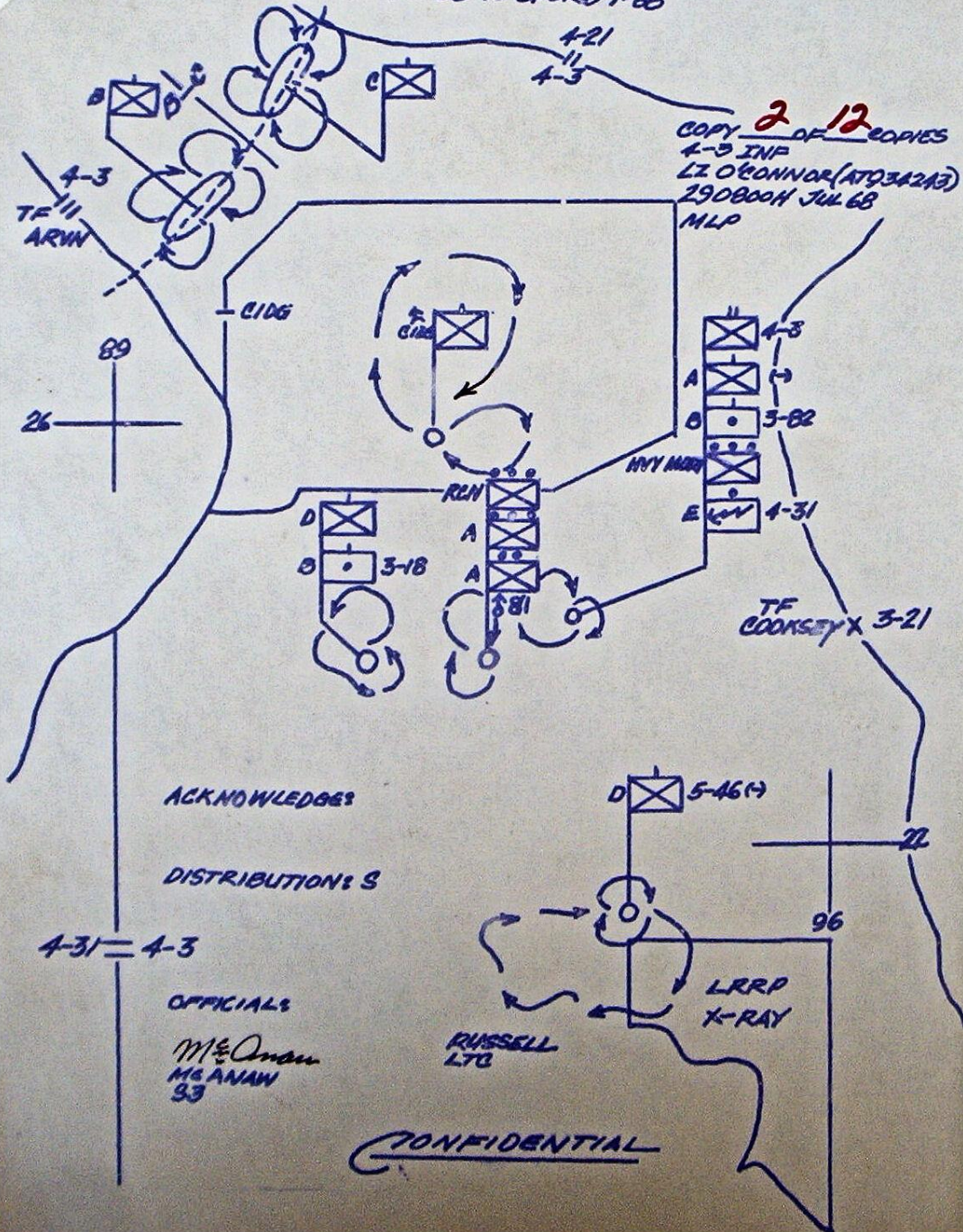
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Reference: Maps, S Vietnam 1:50,000; Series L7014; Sheet 6640 III.

Task Org: No change

1. MISSION: No change.
2. Co B moves SE from NDP vic AT899283, commencing 300600 H Jul 68, and conducts offensive search operations in assigned sector; collocates NDP with Co C vic AT927270 NLT 301630 H Jul 68.
3. Co C moves SE from NDP vic AT907297, commencing 300600 H Jul 68, and conducts offensive search operations in assigned sector; collocates NDP with Co B vic AT927270 NLT 301630 H Jul 68.
4. CIDG Co establishes minimum of 4 night OPs; moves plat, commencing 300400 H Jul 68, to NE and conducts detailed search of area vic AT940273 at 300600 H Jul 68 for VC sqd reported at that location; 1 sqd w/.30 cal MG establishes fire support position vic AT927270 NLT 300530 H Jul 68.

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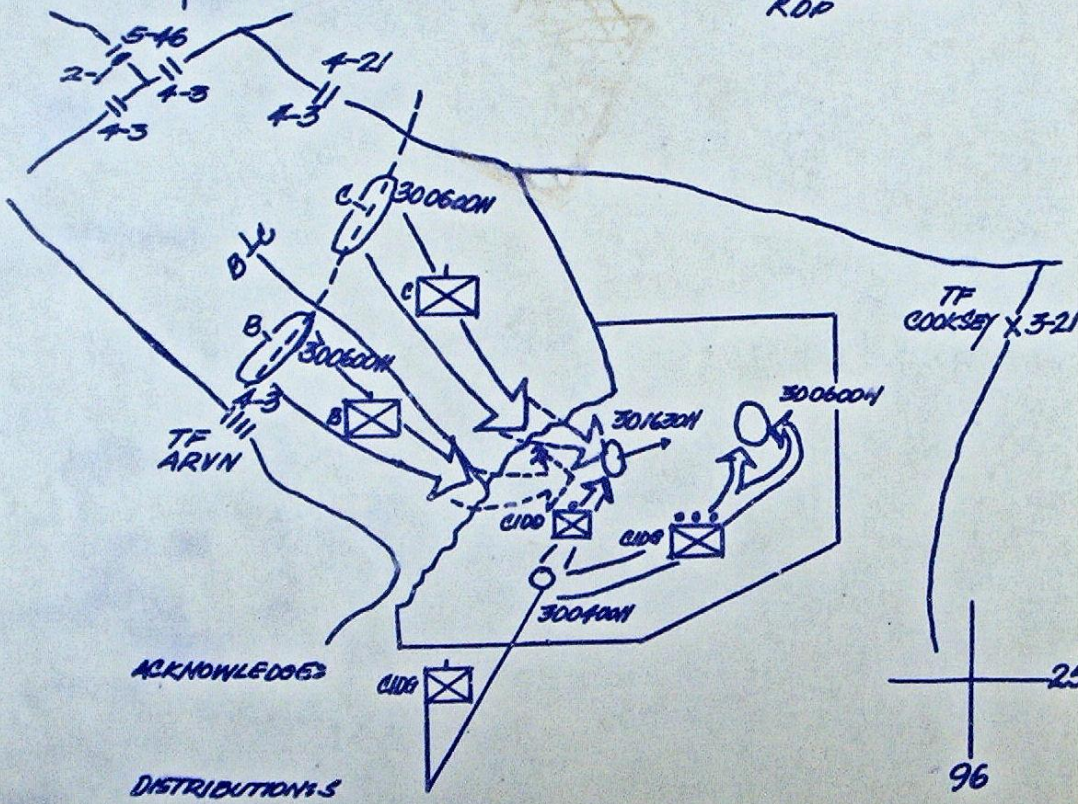
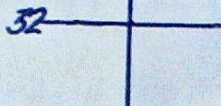
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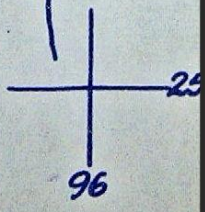
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