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ITEM NO.	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INITIALS
	IN	OUT			
01	0001	(U)	Journal Opened.		
02	0030	(C)	Foxhole str rept to Bde.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
03	0100	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
04	0200	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
05	0300	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
06	0400	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde, CO,S3	DKK
07	0500	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
08	0525	(C)	4.2 rept to Bde.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
09	0600	(C)	Bn SITREP neg; Co C 1st plat 1st sqd & mort plat closed NDP.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
10	0630	(C)	Co C amb elements closed NDP.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
11	0635	(C)	Co C dprt NDP on asg mission.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
12	0635	(C)	Co C lead element rec est 30 rds SA fire fr vic BT328114; neg cas. Co C rept fire was possibly from 2 carbines & 1 AW. Arty being called in.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
13	0640	(C)	Co A 3d plat 3d sqd closed NDP.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
14	0640	(C)	Recon Plat closed CAP Tm 122 loc 0635 hrs.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
15	0645	(C)	Co C rept elements searching area from which fire was received earlier (item 12).	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
16	0755	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, Co C BT332113.	Bde,CO,S3,M	DKK

DOWNGRADE AT 3 YR INTERVAL
DECLASSIFIED AFTER 12 YEARS

Name and Grade of Officer on Duty DANIEL M DORE, 1LT Inf	Signature <i>Daniel M Dore</i>
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17	0835	(C)	Co C repts in contact w'est reinforced sqd vic BT323109. Neg cas; details to follow.	Bde,CO,S3,M Req Gunships	DKK DKK
18	0845	(C)	Recon Plat closed HILL 54.	Bde,CO,S3,M	DKK
19	0850	(C)	Ref item 17, Co C rec fire fr BT329104, BT332098, BT328107.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
20	0855	(C)	Ref item 17 & 19, Gunships arr on station at Co C loc.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
21	0900	(C)	Bn SITREP neg; Co C loc same.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
22	0905	(C)	Co B, BT239141, req DUSTOFF for 1 US w/FUO at 0835 hrs; completed 0855 hrs.	Bde,CO,S3 DUSTOFF	DKK DKK
23	0910	(C)	COL Thomas, CO 198th LIB, arr HILL 54; met & briefed by MAJ McAnaw, Bn S3; dprt 0917 hrs.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
24	0913	(C)	Gunships dprt Co C loc.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
25	0930	(C)	Ref item 22, Individ evac'd: Line nr 080, SP4 Willingham, Tim P.	CO,S3	DKK
26	0930	(C)	CPT Sam submit req to 198th LIB (SP4 Birkel) for AO ext fr 5 ARVN Regt for period 16 1200 H to 171800 H Aug 68: Area E of FDL boundary fr BT310124 S to BT310100, E to BT330100, S to BT330090, E to BT340090, S to BT340040 & E to BT383040.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
27	0935	(C)	Rec FRAGORD 4 to OPORD 2-68 w/Annex A, 198th LIB fr LT Ciarlo, Bn LNO.	CO,S3	DKK
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28	0951	(c)	Ref item 26, msg fr Bde (SP4 Birkel); AO ext appr by 5th ARVN Regt & 198th LIB as requested.	CO,S3,M	DKK
29	0955	(c)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
30	1058	(c)	CPT Sam, Bn S3 Air, req Air Strikes on fol loc: BT351060, 350050, 361053, 366045, 377044. Req submitted to Bde. Time req: 170615-170730 H Aug 68.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
31	1100	(c)	Bn SITREP neg, loc Co C: BT335104.	Bde,CO,S3,M	DKK
32	1110	(c)	Co C, BT328107, found 7 tunnels & 1 new unused bunker (6x6x4 ft); also found fresh footprints in one of the tunnels.	Bde,CO,S3,M	DKK
33	1155	(c)	Co C, BT335104, req DUSTOFF for 1 US w/ gunshot wound. Evac completed by 4-3 Inf C/C ship. Chm Lai DUSTOFF notified of completion of evac at 1158 hrs.	Bde,CO,S3,M Req Gunships Dustoff	DKK DKK DKK
34	1200	(c)	Bn SITREP neg, w/exception as in item 33.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
35	1214	(c)	Bn Surg req DUSTOFF for 1 US w/fever fr HILL 54 (SP4 Sellers, Irving, HHC 4-3 Inf) Dustoff completed 1225 hrs.	Bde,CO,S3 Dustoff	DKK DKK
36	1215	(c)	Gunships arr Co C loc.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
37	1245	(c)	Ref item 33, indiv evacuated: Line nr 149, PFC Woods, Richard J; w/stomach wound.	CO,S3	DKK

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38	1300	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, except Co C; loc same.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
39	1305	(C)	At 1230 hrs, gunships rec 5-6 rounds SA fire while making pass over tgt area at alt 300 ft vic BT330090; no hits.	Bde,CO,S3,M	DKK
40	1311	(C)	Co C 2d plat, BT330104, found 1 well camouflaged tunnel 5 ft deep into side of hill. Camouflage was old. Tunnel afforded good view of Co C operational area.	Bde,CO,S3,M	DKK
41	1335	(C)	Gunships dprt Co C loc.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
42	1405	(C)	All units SITREP neg, loc: Co C BT335016; Recon Plat dprt HILL 54 enroute to LAAM site by vehicle.	Bde,CO,S3,M	DKK
43	1435	(C)	At 1400 hrs C/C ship obs tunnel complex in area bounded by BT325110, 325100, 331110 & 330101; also obs 2 large tunnels vic BT 337104.	Bde,CO,S3,M	DKK
44	1436	(C)	BG Galloway, ADC, arr HILL 54; met & briefed by LTC RUSSELL; dprt 1455 hrs.	CO,S3	DKK
45	1450	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
46	1530	(C)	Recon Plat closed on LAAM site.	Bde,CO,S3,M	DKK
47	1555	(C)	Bn SITREP neg; Co A moving fr LAAM site to HILL 54.	Bde,CO,S3,M	DKK
48	1700	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
49	1713	(C)	Co A closed on HILL 54.	Bde,CO,S3,M	DKK

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50	1800	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
51	1825	(C)	Co C NDP loc BT334106.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
52	1840	(C)	PF locations: BT 382173, 378170, 398164, 388163, 394167, 401129, 411130, 412117, 417116, 417164, 427134, 429142, 423141, 426106, 442111, 435105, 436107, 481140, 492140, 496138, 496141, 482139.	CO,S3,M	DKK
53	1845	(C)	Co A 1st plat 3d sqd loc BT379174.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
54	1848	(C)	Co A 2d plat 1st sqd loc BT430110.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
55	1900	(C)	PAX/PZ rept submitted to Bde.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
56	1900	(C)	Bn SITREP neg, loc same.	CO,S3	DKK
57	1935	(C)	Co C rept at BT334106 found a 30-50 meter length of punji stakes along a trail (2-3 days old).	Bde,CO,S3,S2	DKK
58	1948	(C)	Recon Plat(-) loc BT510128.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
59	1950	(C)	Co A 3d plat 1st sqd amb loc BT396136.	Bde,CO,S3	DKK
60	1951	(C)	CAP ambushes: BT 304186 (MTT); MTT 313179, 111 - 364176, 111 - 343187, 112 - 346178, 112 - 345155, 113 - 332179, 113 - 322170, 113 - 319177, 113 - 320192, 113 - 324183.	Bde,CO,S3,M	DKK
61	1955	(C)	FAVOR 112 rept 2 confirmed VC KIA by H&I program 15 Aug 68 vic BT335128.	Bde,CO,S3,S2	DKK

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DUSTOFF REQUEST

NR 1

DATE 16 Aug 68

1. LOCATION OF PICKUP SITE BT 239141
2. REQUESTOR B6
3. NUMBER OF PATIENTS: LITTER _____ AMBULATORY
4. NATIONALITY: US 1 VN _____ FWF _____
5. NATURE OF INJURIES FEVER UNKNOWN ORIGIN
6. CATEGORY: URGENT _____ PRIORITY _____ ROUTINE
7. CONDITION & TYPE OF PICKUP SITE Good
8. SECURITY OF PICKUP SITE Secure
9. WEATHER AT PICKUP SITE Good
10. MARKING (SMOKE, PANELS, LIGHTS, ETC.) SMOKE
11. RADIO FREQUENCY 45.70 CALLWORD LASH B6
12. ANY US PERSONNEL AT PICKUP SITE? YES NO _____
13. REMARKS _____
14. REQUEST CALLED IN BY: LASH 33
15. REQUEST RECEIVED BY CHU LAI TIME 0835
TIME COMPLETED 0855

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DUSTOFF REQUEST

NR 2

DATE 16 AUG 68

1. LOCATION OF PICKUP SITE BT 325104
2. REQUESTOR C6
3. NUMBER OF PATIENTS: LITTER AMBULATORY
4. NATIONALITY: US VN FWF
5. NATURE OF INJURIES GUNSHOT WOUND
6. CATEGORY: URGENT PRIORITY ROUTINE
7. CONDITION & TYPE OF PICKUP SITE GOOD
8. SECURITY OF PICKUP SITE SECURE
9. WEATHER AT PICKUP SITE GOOD
10. MARKING (SMOKE, PANELS, LIGHTS, ETC.) SMOKE
11. RADIO FREQUENCY 45.70 CALLWORD C6
12. ANY US PERSONNEL AT PICKUP SITE? YES NO
13. REMARKS DUSTOFF COMPLETED BY A-3 JNF C/C SHIP
14. REQUEST CALLED IN BY: LASH 33
15. REQUEST RECEIVED BY CHU LAI CONTROL TIME 1155
TIME COMPLETED 1158

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DUSTOFF REQUEST

NR 3 DATE 16 AUG 68

1. LOCATION OF PICKUP SITE HILL 34 BT 396145
2. REQUESTOR LASH 16 (MEDIC)
3. NUMBER OF PATIENTS: LITTER _____ AMBULATORY
4. NATIONALITY: US VN _____ FWF _____
5. NATURE OF INJURIES TEMPERATURE OF 105.20
6. CATEGORY: URGENT _____ PRIORITY _____ ROUTINE
7. CONDITION & TYPE OF PICKUP SITE Good
8. SECURITY OF PICKUP SITE Secure
9. WEATHER AT PICKUP SITE Good
10. MARKING (SMOKE, PANELS, LIGHTS, ETC.) SMOKE
11. RADIO FREQUENCY 45.70 CALLWORD LASH 16
12. ANY US PERSONNEL AT PICKUP SITE? YES NO _____
13. REMARKS _____

14. REQUEST CALLED IN BY: LASH 33

15. REQUEST RECEIVED BY CHU LAI CONTROL TIME 12:14

TIME COMPLETED 1225

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4-3 Inf
HILL 54 (BT396145) RVN
161500 H Aug 68
EGG

FRAGORD 13-68 (4-3 Inf) to OPORD 2-68 (198 LTB)

Reference: No change

Task Org: No change

1. MISSION: No change.

2. Co A secures HILL 54 & OP 10; sets one squad size ambush at BT396136; provides 1 squad for security of BA BAU Bridge, 1 squad for security of ONG BAU Bridge; 17 Aug 68 conducts platoon local patrol to W and N of HILL 54.

3. Co B secures LZ BOWMAN; improves defensive positions.

4. Co C establishes NDP vic BT394106; sets 4 night ambushes vic NDP; 17 Aug 68 moves to SE, conducting detailed search enroute.

5. Co D: No change.

6. Co E(-) remains at HILL 54; Recon Plat and squad/Hvy Mort Plat secure LAAM site & set one ambush vic BT510126.

7. 3(-)/H-17 Cav: No change.

Acknowledge:

RUSSELL
LTC

Annex A - Operation Overlay

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