

DAILY STAFF JOURNAL OR DUTY OFFICER'S LOG				Page nr:	Pr of Pages:	
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S-2/S-3 4-3 Inf		LZ THUNDER BS874325	From	To		
			Hour	Date	Hour	Date
			0001	22 Sep 68	2400	22 Sep 68
ITEM NR	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INI- TIALS	
	IN	OUT				
01	0001	(c)	Journal Opened.		W/M	
02	0100	(c)	Bn SITREP neg.	Bde,CO,S3	W/M	
			<i>William C McAmis</i> WILLIAM C McAMIS, CPT Inf, OIC			
03	0200	(c)	Bn SITREP neg.	Bde,CO,S3	JR	
04	0215	(c)	Flaeship rept in to 4-3 Inf AO at 0107 hrs; dprt at this time w/neg results.	CO,S3	JR	
05	0300	(c)	Bn SITREP neg.	Bde,CO,S3	JR	
06	0350	(c)	Rec msg fr Bde: LZ BRONCO has rec 14 rds unk type mort; neg cas/damage assessment at this time.	CO,S3	JR	
07	0400	(c)	Bn SITREP neg.	Bde,CO,S3	JR	
08	0407	(c)	Rec rept fr Cav element on Bridge 107 (BS328844): rec est 6 rds sniper fire fr village to SW; fire not ret; neg cas.	Bde,CO,S3	JR	
09	0500	(c)	Bn SITREP neg.	Bde,CO,S3	JR	
10	0600	(c)	Bn SITREP neg.	Bde,CO,S3	JR	
11	0605	(c)	Co B 1st plat amb closed LZ LIZ 0600 hrs commencing perimeter swp at this time.	Bde,CO,S3	JR	
12	0630	(c)	Co C 3d plat element dprt LZ THUNDER 0630 hrs on asg mission.	Bde,CO,S3	JR	
13	0650	(c)	Co B 3d plat sprt LZ LIZ 0645 hrs on asg mission.	Bde,CO,S3	JR	

DOWNGRADE AT 3 YR INTERVAL

Name and Grade of Officer on Duty JOHN F REIGER, CPT Sig	Signature <i>John F. Reiger</i>
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14	0655	(c)	Bn SITREP neg.	Bde,CO,S3	JK
15	0658	(c)	Co B 3d plat req 2 scouts & 1 interpreter for today's mission.	CO,S3,S2	JK
16	0706	(c)	Co D 3d plat amb closed LZ DRAGON 0655 hrs.	Bde,CO,S3	JK
17	0710	(c)	Co A 3d plat closed NDP 0610 hrs. <i>John F. Reiger</i> JOHN F REIGER, CPT Sig, OIC	Bde,CO,S3	JK
18	0719	(c)	At 0700 hrs Co C 2d sqd 1st plat dprt LZ THUNDER on day patrol mission.	CO,S3	JK
19	0720	(c)	At 0715 hrs Co B 3rd plat vic BS773434 rec unk amt of SA & .50 cal MG fire fr NE of their psn; neg cas.	Bde,CO,S3	JK
20	0750	(c)	Req DUSTOFF for 1 US WHA fr Co C 3d plat at BS898317. Line nr 114 w/GSW in L leg rec while on offensive search (PRIORITY) completed 0800 hrs.	Bde,CO,S3,M	JK
21	0755	(c)	Ref item 19. SA & .50 cal fire rec by Co B 3d plat was fr E Trp element escorting road clearing tm N of LZ LIZ (Cav element was in lt contact).	CO,S3	JK
22	0815	(c)	Bn SITREP neg except as in item 20; loc:	Cont	
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22	Cont		Co A BS888276; Co B 3d plat BS764435; Co C 2d sqd 1st plat BS942225, 2d plat dprt LZ DRAGON 0810 hrs.	Bde,CO,S3,M	JD
23	0835	(c)	Co D 19th Engr (Road clearing tm) fd Bridge vic BS857317 slightly charred; appeared that VC had attempted to burn it down; presently checking immediate vic.	Bde,CO,S3	JD
24	0905	(c)	Bn SITREP neg; loc: Co A(-) BS890285, 2d plat BS913266; Co B 3d plat BS773436; Co C 2d plat BS898310; Co D 2d plat BS 734495.	CO,S3,M	JD
25	0910	(c)	LATE ENTRY: At 0300 hrs Co C 3d sqd 2d plat on Bridge 111 (BS813368) rec est 2 M79 (40mm) gren fr BS809318, resulting in 1 US WHA(M) on L thigh; no evac req. Indiv WHA: Line nr 134.	Bde,CO,S3 M	JD
26	1001	(c)	At 0945 hrs Co D 19th Engr (Road clearing tm) fd road block at BS814360 consisting of bamboo fence w/barbed wire. Obstacle was booby-trapped w/hand gren placed beneath it. Engr destroyed obstacle & continued on mission.	CO,S3 S2,M	JD
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27	1004	(C)	Bn SITREP neg; loc: Co A(-) BS894292, 1st plat BS896283, 2d plat BS914262; Co C 2d sqd 1st plat BS939228, 2d plat BS892313; Co D 3d plat BS754488.	Bde, CO, S3, M	DD
28	1020	(C)	(Monitored on FM net) At 0915 hrs Co D 19th Engr (Road clearing tm) at BS 748508 while sweeping N, fd 1 pressure type mine, approx 15 lbs; destroyed same. At BS783432, while sweeping S, fd road block in bushes. Removed obstacles.	CO, S3, M	DD
29	1020	(C)	1020 hrs rec Co D op for tomorrow: BS 7345, 7346, 7445 & 7446. Tonight's amb loc (1st plat) BS728500. Op: Offeh- sive swp & intensified search.	CO, S3, M	DD
30	1051	(C)	Bn SITREP neg; loc: Co A(-) BS900300, 2d plat BS918218; Co C 2d sqd 1st plat BS936237.	CO, S3, M	DD
31	1106	(C)	At 1100 hrs Co C 2d sqd 1st plat at BS 931248 fd 48 sampans w/approx 100 pers; awaiting instructions.	Bde, CO, S3, M	DD
32	1132	(C)	At 1100 hrs Co D 19th Engr (Road clear- ing tm) vic BS800396 fd & destroyed	Cont	
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32	Cont		6 hand gren booby-trapped by placing in hole w/rocks holding lever down. Engr element continued on mission.	Bde, CO, S3, M	DD
33	1132	(c)	At 1125 hrs Co D 2d plat at BS755485 apprehended 1 VC, male, w/ID card, as instructed by MACV advisor (reason unk).	Bde, CO, S3 S2	MM
34	1135	(c)	At 1000 hrs Co C 2d plat vic BS898317 fd & destroyed 22 sampans unattended.	Bde, CO, S3, M	DD
35	1150	(c)	At 1148 hrs Co C 2d plat rept 97 sampans fr BS898317 to BS906304. Interpreter presently instructing people to move their sampans S.	Bde, CO, S3, S2, M	DD
36	1150	(c)	At 1145 hrs Co C 2d sqd 1st plat (ref item 31) rept people moving S.	Bde, CO, S3 M	DD
37	1151	(c)	At 1138 hrs Telecon between MAJ Henry, Bde SDO & MAJ McAnaw, Bn S-3: 4-3 Inf responsible for logistical spt of B/ 1-46 Inf until 231200H Sep 68; Co B 4-3 Inf moves S by foot fr LZ LIZ, afternoon 22 Sep 68, into S portion of AO; Co D 4-3 Inf moves to loc afternoon 22 Sep 68 where can be lifted by CH-47E	CO, Co B Co D Cont	DD
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44	1305	(c)	Bn SITREP neg; 1st & 2d plat moved back to Co A(-) loc.	CO,S3,M	DD
45	1359	(c)	Co C 2d plat closed on LZ THUNDER.	Bde,CO,S3,M	DD
46	1400	(c)	Bn SITREP neg.	Bde,CO,S3	DD
47	14-5	(c)	SDO req fr 3-1 Ing thru Bde TOC, that Co B & D be at LZ LIZ tonight. Also req CH-47B for Co D transportation fr LZ LIZ, loc TBA.	CO,S3	DD
48	1430	(c)	At 1350 hrs Co D 19th Engr vic BS910162 rec est 20 rds sniper fire fr both sides of road, ret fire; neg cas; neg results.	Bde,CO,S3 S2,M	DD
			<i>Daniel M Dore</i> DANIEL M DORE, 1LT Inf, OIC		
49	1500	(c)	Bn SITREP neg, 16c: Co A BS897298; Cos B&D closed on respective LZs 1330 hrs.	Bde,CO,S3,M	JS
50	1545	(c)	Rec weather rept fr Bde.	Co,S3,M,S2	JS
51	1556	(c)	Bn SITREP neg; Co A loc BS909289.	CO,S2,S3,M	JS
52	1629	(c)	Rec fld str rept fr units: Co A 97, Co B 103, Co C 105, Co D 110.	Bde,CO,S3	JS
53	1649	(c)	Co C 2d sqd 3d plat will be at Bridge 111 tonight.	CO,S3,M	JS
54	1701	(c)	Bn SITREP neg.	Bde,CO,S3,	JS
Name and Grade of Officer on Duty JOHN R SAM, CPT Inf			Signature <i>John R Sam</i>		

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55	1725	(C)	Co D extraction fr LZ DRAGON to LZ BRONCO: 1st PZ 1710 hrs, LZ 1715 hrs; 2d lift PZ 1715 hrs, LZ 1720 hrs.	Bde,CO,S3	JS
56	1725	(C)	Co C 1st plat 1st sqd arr Bridge 94.	Bde,CO,S3	JS
57	1735	(C)	Co D closed 4-3 Inf trains area commanded by MAJ Davidson, Bn XO, at this time.	Bde,CO S3	JS
58	1740	(C)	Rec & posted PF loc, day & night.	CO,S3,M	JS
59	1755	(C)	E Trp loc as fol: Bridges 107, 104, 95, 94, HARDSTAND, & LOWBOY.	Bde,CO,S3	JS
60	1800	(C)	Bn SITREP neg.	Bde,CO,S3	JS
61	1855	(C)	Bn SITREP neg.	Bde,CO,S3	JS
62	1920	(C)	Co C 3d plat 2d sqd loc Bridge 111.	Bde,CO,S3,M	JS
63	2000	(C)	Bn SITREP neg.	Bde,CO,S3	
			<i>John R Sam</i> JOHN R SAM, CPT Inf		
64	2013	(C)	Rec intel rept fr Bde: VC mortars were located at BS777387; 1 ea 60mm mort, 2 ea 81mm mort now moving vic BS783395 to firing pen at 2130 hrs vic BS807403, 809408. Also VC mine sgw moving vic BS 804383 engaged w/81mm mort fire fr OP. Arty fired on tgts & guns have been laid	CO,S3,S2 Cont	Wca
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64	Cont		on suspected firing psn. At 2100 hrs	CO,S3,M,S2	WA
			Bde will have flareship to look over		
			these areas. Also, at 2140 hrs - 2150 hrs		
			Btry concentration will be fired on		
			these coordinates.		
65	2100	(c)	Bn SITREP neg.	Bde,CO,S3	WA
66	2102	(c)	LATE ENTRY: Time 2055 hrs. Co C 3d plat	Bde,CO,S3	WA
			2d sqd rec 1 frag gren fr S side of		
			Bridge 111. Ret fire. Fired illum.		
			Neg results; neg casualties.		
67	2200	(c)	Bn SITREP neg.	Bde,CO,S3	WA
68	2250	(c)	Bn SITREP neg.	Bde,CO,S3	WA
69	2330	(c)	Pickup of Co A by Swiftboats completed.	Bde,CO,S3	WA
70	2355	(c)	Bn SITREP neg; Co A still moving.	Bde,CO,S3	WA
71	2400	(c)	JOURN (C) Summary - Co D 19th Engrs (Road sweep tm) fd a pressure type mine, approx 15 lbs., destroyed in place. Also found and destroyed 6 hand grenades beoby-trapped that were placed in a hole. E Trp 1st Cav rept an ARVN sqd was ambushed via BS884304 by est 5 VC resulting in 1 ARVN WHA. 4-3 Inf had neg enemy contact throughout Duc Phe AO. Co C destroyed 22 sampans with Co D finding and destroying 1 81mm mortar round beoby-trapped.		
71	2400	(c)	Journal Closed		
Name and Grade of Officer on Duty			Signature		
WILLIAM C McAMIS, CPT Inf			William C McAmis		

REF ITEM 71

UNIT LOCATIONS

Company A -
Company B -
Company C - LZ THUNDER, LZ CHARLIE BROWN
Company D -
Company E - LZ THUNDER

OPERATIONS SUMMARY - 22 September 68

Company A - Established NDP vic BS 889269, established ambush vic BS891265. Conducted Company sweep north and east to vic BS919281. One platoon swept south and east to vic BS919281.

Company B - Secured LZ LIZ and established ambush vic BS889269. Conducted platoon sweep to vic BS775135 and established blocking position between railroad and Highway 1, Company B 81mm mortars remained at LZ BRONCO.

Company C - Secured LZ THUNDER, LZ CHARLIE BROWN, Bridges 94 and 111. Conducted platoon sweep southeast along coast to vic BS896305 and conducted reinforced squad sweep from LZ CHARLIE BROWN east and north to vic BS928259.

Company D - Secured LZ DRAGON and established ambush vic BS705534. Conducted sweep southeast to vic BS7648 and returned to LZ DRAGON.

PLANS SUMMARY - 22 September 68

1. Company A establishes NDP vic BS915283, sets ambush, platoon sized, vic NDP. Conduct amphibious assault vic BS826456, sweep west and south to vic objective area vic BS810455.
2. Company B establishes NDP vic LZ LIZ; set platoon size ambush vic NDP, be in position blocking along line from 794444 to 804434 NLT daylight.
3. Company C secure LZ THUNDER, LZ CHARLEY BROWN, Bridges 94&111. Local patrols vic of CHARLEY BROWN & THUNDER.
4. Company D establish NDP vic LZ LIZ, set platoon sized ambush vic NDP, block from 810434 to 810420 NLT daylight.
5. Company E - No change.

A.2 REPORT

MISSIONS FIRED:

Observed-----1
Unobserved-----0
M&I-----25
TOTAL 26

AMMO EXPENDED:

HE-----50
WP-----0
ILLUM-----0
TOTAL 50

LNO NOTES - 22 September 68

S-1 Bde received 2520 lbs of mail; 25 lbs came from Hawaii. Bde received 15 replacements; 4/3 got two.

CASUALTIES:

4/3	OKIA	2WHA
1/20	1KIA	6WHA
19th Eng	1KIA	2WHA

S-2 PASSWORD: CABBAGE-MILK

ENEMY LOSSES:

4/3	0 KIA	1 CIA	
1/20	31 KIA	1 PW	10 weapons to include 1 57 RR.

S-3 Chu Lai received 15 122mm Rockets.

LZ GATOR received Rockets and VC inside perimeter, destroyed 155mm Howitzer. Danang received 15 rockets at MAG 16 location. 38 aircraft damaged.

1/20 will move to South Chu Lai AO, two companies at DOTTI and two companies at BUFF.

AIR REQUEST:

5 C/C 4 Utilities 9 Chinooks w/123 sorties.)