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| ORGANIZATION OR INSTALLATION S-2/S-3 Lth Bn, 3d Inf AVDF-BARK | | | LOCATION LZ SAN JUAN BS635382 | | PERIOD COVERED | | | |
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| 01 | 0001 | | (U) Journal opened. | | DW | | | |
| 02 | 0100 | | (U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same. | DO | DW | | | |
| 03 | 0200 | | (U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same. | DO | DW | | | |
| 04 | 0300 | | (U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same. | DO | DW | | | |
| 05 | 0400 | | (U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same. | DO | DW | | | |
| 06 | 0500 | | (U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same. | DO | DW | | | |
| 07 | 0510 | | (U) Rec 4.2 ammo rep. | Bde, DO | DW | | | |
| 08 | 0520 | | (U) Rec significant events rep fr Bde. | DO | DW | | | |
| 09 | 0548 | | (U) 1LT PEARSON, DO, advised Co B LZSJ to take in claymores, and trip flares; provide wire guide EM at bunkers 6, 7, 8 for Recon Plat (-) departure on foot. Recon leaving 0630. | DO | DW | | | |
| 10 | 0551 | | (U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same. | DO | DW | | | |
| 11 | 0610 | | (U) Ref #9, Co B CP informed DO, 1LT PEARSON anti-intrusion devices secured, wire guide EM present. | DO | DW | | | |
| 12 | 0616 | | (U) Recon advised TOC DO they are departing LZSJ perimeter now. | DO | DW | | | |
| 13 | 0632 | | (U) Ref #12, Co B informed TOC Recon compl through perimeter wire vicinity bunker #7, at 0620. | DO | DW | | | |
| 14 | 0642 | | (C) Beacon BS641343 on sta 0605, off 0635; 22-500 lb bombs sus en bascomp; res unk. | Bde, DO | DW | | | |
| 15 | 0705 | | (C) 0700 Bn SITREP neg; loc Co A BS664468, Co B LZSJ, Co C BS637447, Co D BS710409, Recon BS638386. | DO | JS | | | |
| 16 | 0706 | | (U) Utility helicopter AC, McFARLAND, Pilot, ROBINSON. | DO | JS | | | |
| 17 | 0730 | | (C) Shadow Box req to Bde, grids BS6336, BS 6538, BS6636, BS6434; altn grids BS6146, BS 6347, BS6544, BS6343, time 221800 - 230600 Dec 69. Req by DO, 1LT CANGINO; SGT PRESLEY | Bde, DO | JS | | | |
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| 18 | 0755 | | (C) CPT HURLEY, S-3 Air, req Warlords assist Sensor tm as tm replaces sensor batteries vic BS658409, BS656374; req rec by SGT PRESLEY, Bde. | Bde, Bn S-2, DO | JS | | |
| 19 | 0807 | | (U) 0800 Bn SITREP neg; loc same. | Bde, DO | JS | | |
| 20 | 0810 | | (C) At 0800 CPT HURLEY info Bde: AO extension grids BS6548, BS6550, BS6850, BS6848 no longer req by 4-3 Inf. Req AO ext be can; SPL DOUGLAS, Bde rec can req. DOUGLAS also confirmed AO ext can. | Bde, DO | JS | | |
| 21 | 0825 | | (C) FAC 37 on sta; req BDA Beacon drop BS631343, BS647344. | DO | JS | | |
| 22 | 0830 | | (U) LTC FERNANDEZ, Bn CO TR to extract 2 Ch fr Co's C and D loc; SPL FISHER, Bde Avn relayed msg. | Bde, DO, Bn S-3 | WM | | |
| 23 | 0840 | | (C) 0815 msg fr Bde: URI w/750m cut grid BS678328. | Bn S-2, DO | JS | | |
| 24 | 0850 | | (C) DO, 1LT CANCINO sent 23 Dec Beacon grids to Bde. BS594415, BS602404, BS591401; CPT BOYD, Bde rec info. | DO | JS | | |
| 25 | 0851 | | (C) Ref #23, Intel indicates 400 NVA str 2nd NVA Sapper Regt loc. | DO | JS | | |
| 26 | 0855 | | (U) Ref #21, BDA few fighting pos uncovered, obsrv well used trails running E-W. | Bde, DO | JS | | |
| 27 | 0855 | | (U) Bde ad thru TOC: CC helicopter pilots must have protective masks when on sta: CS drop planned w/ Arty to follow. | DO | JS | | |
| 28 | 0915 | | (U) FAC 37 broke sta; ref #21. | DO | JS | | |
| 29 | 0915 | | (C) 0900 Bn SITREP neg; loc Co A BS663465, Co B IZSJ, Co C BS637447, Co D BS 710409, Recon BS640387. | DO | PC | | |
| 30 | 0922 | | (U) SPL FISHER, Bde info DO, 1LT CANCINO: sp Beacon 221200 Dec 69; neg friendlies in vic .DO | | PC | | |
| 31 | 0930 | | (U) CPT BOYD, Bde can sp 221200 Dec 69 Beacon time change to 221600 Dec 69. Bde ad direct as many Beacons as possible in Bde Recon Zone DO Ref #30. | | PC | | |
| 32 | 1005 | | (C) 0955 Co C BS634447 obsrv mov vic this grid; fd 1 hut; eng area of mov w/ SA, 81mm; | | | | |
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| 32 | cont | | 2nd Plat checking area; more to follow. | Bde, DO | JS | | |
| 33 | 1018 | | (U) Msg fr Bde: Op Santa Claus states "Patches Musgrove - woman correspondent fr Jacksonville Fla, along w/ NBC TV Tm will visit Bn AO 23 Dec 69; will pass out gifts to troops and visit will be shown on Huntley-Brinkley News Report on 25 Dec 69. ETA of visit to LZSJ is 14-1500. | DO | JS | | |
| 34 | (U) | | (U) Bn S-3, MAJ McGEE sent to CPT BASSETT, req bulldozer for LZSJ ASAP; programmed work for 1 week. | Bde, DO | JS | | |
| 35 | 1040 | | (C) Bn SITREP neg; loc (1000) Co A BS661467, Co B LZSJ, Co C PB BS637447, 1st Plat moving BS640449, 2nd Plat BS640446 mov, Co D BS707407 Recon BS642386. | Bde, DO | JS | | |
| 36 | 1045 | | (U) CPT WILLIAMS, Bde, working on req for dozer; will get it to LZSJ ASAP. | Bn S-3, DO | JS | | |
| 37 | 1112 | | (C) Beacon tgt BS646344 drop 28-500 lb bombs on URI Intel tgt; BDA res by FAC 38, dest 8 fighting pos and 1 trail cut; FAC broke sta. | DO | JS | | |
| 38 | 1124 | | (C) At 1110, Co A BS663467 fd 6 bunkers, 1 hut 1 tunnel; bunker built into hill; size: 7-8ft deep, 4ft high, cap 4 pers ea pos; tunnel was already caved in; bunkers dest. | Bde, DO | JS | | |
| 39 | 1140 | | (C) Bn SITREP neg; loc same expt Co A PB BS661467, 1st Plat BS663467, 2nd Plat BS656467; Co B LZSJ, Co C PB BS637447, 1st Plat BS640449 3d Plat BS640446; Co D BS699396; Recon BS642386. | DO | JS | | |
| 40 | 1150 | | (C) BG DONALDSON DC (M) to arr LZSJ approx 1300. | Staff, DO | JS | | |
| 41 | 1200 | | (C) CPT SAFFOLD req AO ext for 4-2 Inf; grids BS7234, BS7235 e to their boundary, DTG 221200 - 231800 Dec 69; appr by 1LT CANCINO. | Bde, DO | JS | | |
| 42 | 1220 | | (C) Bn SITREP neg; loc (1200) Co A PB same, 1st Plat BS662471, 2nd Plat BS662396; Co B LZSJ, Co C same, Co D PB BS699396, 2nd, 3d Plat's BS689392, Recon BS644385. | Bde, DO | JS | | |
| 43 | 1225 | | (C) Co C vic BS640446, 3d Plat fd, eng w/ SA 1 1 NVA/VC w/ pack, neg weapon; 3d Plat | | | | |
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| 43 | cont | | following heavy blood trail; NVA was 250m E of 3d Plat, when eng. | Bde, DO | NC | |
| 44 | 1300 | | (U) FAC 38 on sta. | DO | NC | |
| 45 | 1310 | | (C) Beacon tgt BS664340, on sta 1235, off 1302 drop 28-500 lb bombs on sus en bascomp. FAC 33 BDA: rept 2 bunkers dest, 1 trail cut. | Bde, DO | JS | |
| 46 | 1315 | | (C) At 1225 3d Plat Co C vic BS640446 obsrv 1 NVA/VC w/ pack; eng w/ SA; 3d Plat searching area now. | Bde, DO | JS | |
| 47 | 1315 | | (C) Co C 2nd Plat vic BS634449 fd 3 bomb shelters 2-3ft wide; used recently; res: fd 150ft roll barb wire, 2 huts, gardens; huts, garden dest. | Bde, DO | JS | |
| 48 | 1325 | | (C) BG DONALDSON DC G-3 AMCAL arr LZSJ. | Bde, DO | JS | |
| 49 | 1335 | | (U) 1300 Bn SITREP neg; loc same. | DO | JS | |
| 50 | 1410 | | (C) ref #48, BG DONALDSON dept LZSJ. | Bde, DO | JS | |
| 51 | 1420 | | (U) 1600 Beacon aborted; msg fr GILROY, Bde. | DO | JS | |
| 52 | 1510 | | (U) C/C hel AC KNOWLES, Pilot ZUALES. | DO | JS | |
| 53 | 1515 | | (C) Bn SITREP neg; loc same (1440) expt Co A 2nd Plat closed, 1st Plat closing; Co C PB BS637442, 1st, 3d Plat's same, Recon mov NE. | Bde, DO | JS | |
| 54 | 1520 | | (C) Rec msg fr Bde: Op HOLLY 1300 hr 24 Dec 69; msg to follow. GILROY, Bde sent msg. | Bn S-3, DO | JS | |
| 55 | 1535 | | (U) Bn SITREP neg; 1500 loc same expt Co C PB BS634450; Recon BS645387. | DO | JS | |
| 56 | 1550 | | (C) COL HOFFMAN, Bde CO arr LZSJ. | Bde, DO | JS | |
| 57 | 1625 | | (C) Ref #56, Bde CO dept LZSJ. | Bde, DO | JS | |
| 58 | 1629 | | (C) Co A BS661467, at 1540 1 EM injured during resupply unloading; 1 case 81mm ammo being dropped fr C/C fell on EM's r leg; possible bone chip. Line #99 HORSEY, Robert Z. PFC dust off compl 1620, | Bn S-1, DO | JS | |
| 59 | 1635 | | (C) Bn SITREP neg; 1600 loc same expt Co C PB BS634450, Recon BS648387. | Bde, DO | JS | |

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| 60 | 1638 | | (C) Beacon tgt BS692285 on sta 1540, off 1640 drop 28-500 lb bombs on sus en basecamp | | | | |
| 61 | 1700 | | (C) LRRP NEVADA insertion 23 Dec, LRRP Box BS7227, BS7727, BS7722, BS7222 DTG 230700 - Dec 69; code: PATHFINDER, msg fr PEDRAZA, Bde 6539028174 | Bde, DO | JS | | |
| 62 | 1715 | | (C) Bn SITREP neg; loc same expt Co D BS700- 396. | DO | JS | | |
| 63 | 1800 | | (C) Bn SITREP neg; loc Co A BS661467, Co C NDP BS634450, Co D NDP BS700396, Recon BS647385 NDP. | Bde, DO | JS | | |
| 64 | 1820 | | (C) Msg fr Bde: Co C 4-21 Inf vic BS737361 has sub-elements out fr their loc. | DO | PC | | |
| 65 | 1820 | | (C) Recon Plat vic BS653384 rd 6 sets of fresh tracks leading E dir. | Bde, DO | NC | | |
| 66 | 1850 | | (C) LATE EMRY: At 1700 4-3 Inf utility hel rep rec SA fire fr BS700400, approx 400m N of Co D NDP. Neg friendly cas. | Bde, DO | NC | | |
| 67 | 1925 | | (C) Bn SITREP neg; loc Co A BS661467 moving, Co B LZSJ, Co C NDP BS634450, Co D NDP BS700 396; Recon NDP BS647385. | DO | DW | | |
| 68 | 1930 | | (C) CPT HURLEY, Bn S-3 Air sent req for Shark gunships for Co C: Bde ad ships to be there 5-10 min. | DO, Co C | DW | | |
| 69 | 1940 | | (U) Ref #68, Shark gunships on sta 1938. | DO | DW | | |
| 70 | 1945 | | (C) Co A arr NDP BS658467. | DO | DW | | |
| 71 | 1954 | | (C) Bn SITREP neg; loc same expt Co A NDP BS658467; Co D amb's: 1st Plat BS700398, 2nd Plat BS698396, 3d Plat 75m S. | DO, BDE | DW | | |
| 72 | 1956 | | (U) Ref #70, Sharks broke sta. | DO | DW | | |
| 73 | 1957 | | (U) Rec INTREP fr Bde: Source MACV, 221650 Dec 69, D-4 rating; At BS716456 one rice store w/ 50 tons rice/ w 1 VC guerrilla guard; VC reg units get foods and rice resupply there. INTREP rec 1930 hr. | Bde, DO, Bn S-2 | DW | | |
| 74 | 2008 | | (C) Rec INTREP fr Bde: Source MACV, 221700 Dec 69 D-3 rating, 300 men (VC) 95/2 Bn | | | | |
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| 74 | cont | | armed w/ many crew served weapons and individual weapons. They are loc at BS635416, BS647424, BS649411; VC plan to attack outposts in coming nights. Rec INTREP 221930 Dec 69. | DO, Bn S-2 | DW | |
| 75 | 2010 | | (U) Rec Bde rept of other Bde loc. | DO | DW | |
| 76 | 2041 | | (C) Co C NDP BS634450 at 1830 Co C obsrv 3 NVA at BS637445, eng w/ Arty LZSJ. Afterward 3d Plat went to check area, and obsrv add 3-4 NVA BS639451. At this time, 3d Plat rec AK-47 fire fr four loc Vic BS641448, 3d Plat returned fire w/ SA. Res: 3 NVA KIA (1 KBA, 2 KIA by SA); NVA wore khaki uniforms, neg weapons or equip; (1 NVA was taller than the other two, approx 5ft 10in). Shark gunships req, on sta 1938, off 1956. | Bde, DO | DW | |
| 77 | 2058 | | (C) Bn str rept: Co A 4/84, Co B 5/82, Co C 4/95, Co D 4/75, Recon 1/34. | Bn S-1, posted, DO | DW | |
| 78 | 2103 | | (C) Bn SITREP neg; loc same expt Co A LP's: 1st, 3d Plat's both 50m SW, N, rspv, Co C LP's: 1st, 2nd, 3d Plat's all 75m NE, SW, S rspv. | DO | DW | |
| 79 | 2127 | | (C) 3 sensor activations: At 2020 string # 152 MHL, 6-8 pers mov E-W, eng w/ 10 rd 4.2, 4 rd 155mm. At 2025 air dropped sensor BS663413, 6 pers; LZSJ Arty fired 6-105mm rd; At 2035, air dropped sensor BS65853761, 6 pers w/ 10 rd 4.2 mort; unk res for all 3 tgt. | 65493779 Bde, DO | DO | |
| 80 | 2156 | | (C) Bunker #14 LZSJ, had trip flare ignite 2130 hr, EM there, obsrv 1-2 pers evading down hill vic BS634376, eng w/ SA and 50 rd HE, res unk this time. Reaction drill called 2132 hr, illum up 2133, reaction forces checked in #1 2140, #2 2137, #3 2135, #4 2147 2148 hr reaction force standdown. | Bde, DO | DW | |
| 81 | 2159 | | (U) 1LT PEARSON ad Recon, LZSJ Quad 50 to be firing 3000m to their NW. (Recon NDP BS647385) | Recon, DO | DW | |
| 82 | 2200 | | (U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same. | DO | DW | |
| 83 | 2227 | | (U) Rec significan events fr SGT LONG, Bde Ln. | DO | DW | |
| 84 | 2313 | | (U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same. | DO | DW | |
| 85 | 2352 | | (U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same. | DO | DW | |

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1. LOCATION OF PICKUP SITE 661467
2. REQUESTOR Alpha Company
3. NUMBER OF PATIENTS: LITTER _____ AMBULATORY 1
4. NATIONALITY: US 1 VN _____ FWF _____
5. NATURE OF INJURIES _____
6. CATEGORY: URGENT _____ PRIORITY _____ ROUTINE ✓
7. CONDITION & TYPE OF PICKUP SITE Will need penetrator jungle
8. SECURITY OF PICKUP SITE Good
9. WEATHER AT PICKUP SITE Good
10. MARKING (SMOKE, PANELS, LIGHTS, ETC.) Smoke
11. RADIO FREQUENCY 45.70 CALLWORD Zebra 99
12. ANY US PERSONNEL AT PICKUP SITE? YES ✓ NO _____
13. REMARKS PFC Robert Horsey Ammo boxes
were dropped from Dolphin 21 hit this personnel in leg which they
say caused chip bone
14. REQUEST CALLED IN BY: Knifer 51
15. REQUEST RECEIVED BY Doctor Control TIME 15:45

TIME COMPLETED 16:20

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