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S-2/S-3 4th Bn, 3d Inf AVDF-BARK		LZ SAN JUAN BS635382		FROM		TO	
				HOUR	DATE	HOUR	DATE
				0001	29 Dec 69	2100	29 Dec 69
ITEM NO.	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INITIALS		
	IN	OUT					
01	0001		(C) Journal opened. Bn SITREP neg; loc Co A BS615407, Co B BS694418, Co C LZSJ, Co D BS647347, SRRP 1-A BS614389, all other SRRP's LZSJ.	DO	NC		
02	0100		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.	DO	NC		
03	0200		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.	DO	NC		
04	0300		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.	DO	NC		
05	0315		(C) Beacon RINGNECK 374 on sta 0245, off 0315 tgt BS646422 drop 28-500 lb bombs sus en loc res unk.	Bde, DO	NC		
06	0400		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.	DO	NC		
07	0500		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same, but neg contact w/ Co D.	DO	NC		
08	0515		(C) Rec 4.2 ammo rep. On hand: HE 644, ILLUM 405, WP 28, CS 24.	Bde, DO	NC		
09	0520		(U) Rec significant events fr Bde and weather: Cont partly cloudy, windy and cool w/ occasional showers; winds NW to NE 10-15 knots; Tues: Decreasing winds and cont cloudy; High 74, Low 67 degrees, humidity H 97%, L 85%. Rep fr Bde.	DO	NC		
10	0525		(C) Beacon 378 (RINGNECK) msn aborted; neg commo with 4-3 Inf Beacon.	DO	NC		
11	0600		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.	DO	NC		
12	0601		(C) SRRP 2 dept LZSJ via bunker #2.	DO	NC		
13	0700		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.	DO	NC		
14	0806		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same expt SRRP 2 BS642-386.	DO, Bde	NC		
15	0811		(U) DOLPHIN 27 arr LZSJ 0800.	DO	JS		
16	0813		(C) Hel Pilot and AC are WOI Diamond, WOI Vanderveer, rspw. Ref #15.	DO	JS		
17	0815		(U) Msg fr MAJ THURGOOD to MAJ McGEE: Will arr LZSJ today to help pick new chopper pad.	DO	JS		
18	0845		(C) DO, LT CANCING sent APREQS to Bde for Beacon drops 30 Dec 69 BS660404, BS687362, BS668428; rec by AMARO, Bde.	Bde, DO	JS		
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19	0850		(C) DO, 1LT CANCINO sent APREQS to Bde for Shadow Boxes; DTG 301800 - 310600 Dec 69. Prim grids: BS6844, BS6942, BS6640; altn: BS6041, BS6139, BS6341, BS6243; SPL AMARO, Bde rec.	Bde, DO	JS			
20	0855		(C) DO, 1LT CANCINO sent Warlord APREQS to Bde for 30 Dec 69, time 0600 - 1800, grids: BS6041, BS6139, BS6341, BS6243; SPL AMARO, Bde rec.	Bde, DO	JS			
21	0900		(C) Bn SITREP neg; loc same expt SRRP 2 BS645386; Co B BS700423.	Bde, DO	JS			
22	0925		(C) Bde CO, COL HOFFMAN arr LZSJ.	Bde, DO	JS			
23	0941		(C) COL HOFFMAN dept LZSJ; ref #22.	Bde, DO	JS			
24	0920		(C) Co D 1st Plat vic BS648345 fd 1 new hut add material to build more; res: all dest by burning; neg signs of en activity.	Bde, DO	JL			
25	0940		(C) Co A 1st Plat vic BS618401, 2nd Plat vic BS606405 both found rice seedling beds; sizes rspv were 29 ft x 50 ft, 60 ft x 20 ft; asked Bde what to do w/ seedlings.	Bde, DO	JL			
26	1000		(C) Bn SITREP neg; loc Co A same PB, 1st Plat BS618401, 2nd Plat BS606405; Co B BS700423 PB Co B 1st Plat 50m E, 3d Plat 50m W, 2nd Plat amb BS702421; Co C LZSJ, Co D BS649345. SRRP 1, BS610392, SRRP 2 BS644388.	Bde, DO	JL			
27	1010		(C) SRRP 1 BS610392 1 hut w/ 1 unfinished tunnel; tunnel 1 ft deep. Res: hut dest.	Bde, DO	JL			
28	1030		(U) FAC 34 on sta.	DO	JL			
29	1030		(C) SRRP 1-A BS611394.	Bde, DO	JL			
30	1100		(U) FAC 34 off sta; ref #28.	DO	JL			
31	1100		(C) Bn SITREP neg; loc same expt Co D BS654344.	Bde, DO	JL			
32	1150		(U) FAC 32 on sta 1150.	DO	JS			
33	1200		(C) Co D vic BS654344, line # 64 JONES, John L. SPL, fell and injured hand and sprained knee; dustoff not req now, but req EM be evac by C/C hel.	DO	JS			
34	1220		(U) Sensor Tm to rec new pers today.	Bn S-2, DO	JS			

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35	1223		(C) 1200 Bn SITREP neg; loc same expt Co D BS655342; SRRP 2 BS644389.			Bde, DO	JS
36	1230		(U) FAC 32 Off sta; ref #32.			DO	JS
37	1245		(U) All Co B elm closed; Co B mov to S; ref no # 26.			DO	JL
38	1245		(U) Co C 1st Plat mov off LZSJ; to patrol to W			DO	JL
39	1310		(U) At 1210 FAC 30 info DO, 1LT CANGINO RING-NECK 365 aborted due to sys failure.			DO	JL
40	1310		(U) DO, 1LT CANGINO sent APREQS to Bde for hel to VR for Co B.			Bde, DO	JL
41	1315		(U) Rec msg fr Bde 1255: Co B's nearest friendlies, LZ LIZ.			DO	JL
42	1318		(C) At 1245 Co B vic BS698428 obsrv 5 NVA/VC in open; eng w/ M-60, 81mm mort, and 105mm fr LZSJ; Arty expended 1 WP, 61 HE. 2nd Plat to check area; more to follow.			Bde, DO	JS
43	1324		(C) Bn SITREP (1300) neg; loc same expt Co A 1st Plat BS619399, 2nd Plat BS618398; Co B BS704422; SRRP 2 BS644391.			DO	JS
44	1355		(C) Co C 1st Plat mov off LZSJ via bunker #16 1355 hr, to search BS6238.			DO	JS
45	1400		(C) Ref #42, Co B 2nd Plat confirmed 1 VC KIA wore black PJ's, and 2 blood trails to N fr BS698428; neg weapons, or packs fd. 2nd Plat returned to PB.			Bde, DO	JS
46	1425		(C) At 1420 hr Co B vic BS702420.			DO	JS
47	1438		(C) 1400 Bn SITREP neg; loc same expt Co B vic BS702420, Co Same, but mov S; SRRP 2 BS647395			Bde, DO	JS
48	1440		(C) All elm Co A closed into PB at 1440 hr; Co A to mov S of PB BS615407.			DO	JS
49	1505		(C) Tracker Tm APREQS sent to Bde 1425hr for Co B; Req appr, Tracker Tm on ground w/ Co B vic BS702420 at 1505hr.			DO, Bde	JS
50	1508		(C) 1500 Bn SITREP neg; loc same expt Co A PB BS615403, Co BS656341; SRRP 2 BS645395.			DO	JS
51	1515		(C) At 1509 3d Plat Co D vic BS656343 fd 1 hut 8 ft x 10 ft; res, dest.			Bde, DO	JS
52	1525		(C) EG DONALDSON, DC (M) AMCAL arr LZSJ 1525.			Bde, DO	JS
53	1540		(C) EG DONALDSON dept LZSJ 1540; ref #52.			Bde, DO	JS
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54	1600		(C) 1600 Bn SITREP neg; loc same expt Co B 2nd Plat BS706432; Co C patrol BS633382 1st Plat; Co D BS656340; SRRP 2 BS639393.	Bde, DO	JS	
55	1620		(C) At 1545, Co D 1st Plat vic BS656340 eng 5 NVA/VC; res: 3 KIA NVA/VC, 2 AK-47 CIA, SN 68734, SN8328, 1 Chi Com, 1 US hand frag gren; KIA wore faded khaki uniforms. 2 en obsrv evading NW of eng loc; 3d Plat checking area.	Bde, DO	JS	
56	1655		(C) Msg fr Bde: AO ext appr for grids BS7044, BS7144, BS710426 for 291645 - 302400 Dec 69; msg rec fr CPT SAFFOLD, Bde.	DO	JS	
57	1700		(C) 1700 Bn SITREP neg; loc same expt Co A NDP BS615403; Co B NDP BS702420, Co C LZSJ, 1st Plat BS626387; Co D BS656340. Neg radio contact w/ SRRP's 1A, 2.	DO	JS	
58	1707		(C) DOLPHIN 420 off sta 1700 hr.	DO	JS	
59	1715		(C) CPT HURLEY, Bn S-3 Air, sent Ba To APREQS; for AO ext. Ba To appr grids BS6433, BS6430, BS6630, BS6633 for DTG 291600 Dec 69 - 021800 Jan 70; appr by MR, Ba To DTG 291715 Dec 69.	DO	JS	
60	1719		(C) 1st Plat Co C approx 400m fr LZSJ; returning to LZSJ.	DO	JS	
61	1725		(C) Beacon on sta 1700, off 1725, tgt BS613360 sus en loc, 22-500 lb bombs.	Bde, DO	JV	
62	1735		(U) 1st Plat Co C 50m outside wire; starting to close into LZSJ perimeter.	DO	JV	
63	1800		(C) SPL FISHER Bde Avn: C/C 30 Dec times: 0700 - 1800; Utility hel 15-1700 hr; 3 Beacon times: 0600 RINGNECK 379, 0800 RINGNECK 360, 1800 RINGNECK 372.	DO	JV	
64	1810		(C) SRRP 1-A BS617396 fd 3 huts 5 ft x 8 ft cap 5 pers, 1 sm hut cap 3 pers; huts approx 2 mo old; fd 1 old cross bow, old mackerel cans, huts dest.	DO	JV	
65	1815		(U) 1st Plat Co C closed LZSJ 1735 hr.	DO	JV	
66	1820		(C) Bn SITREP neg; loc Co A NDP BS615403, Co B NDP BS700423; Co C LZSJ, Co D BS656340 mov SRRP 1-A BS617396, and SRRP 2 NDP BS639393.	DO	JV	
67	1845		(C) Co D NDP BS657342.	DO	JV	
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68	1855		(U) Msg to Bn S-2; or OB at MINH LONG. Msg: Will fly out Wed 31 Dec 69; SPL JONES OB 11th Bde.	DO	NC		
69	1905		(C) Bn SITREP neg; loc Co A NDP BS615403, 1st Plat 50m SE, 2nd Plat 50m NE, 3d Plat 50m NW; Co B BS700423, Co C LZSJ, Co D BS657342; SRRP 1-A BS617396, SRRP 2 BS 639393.	DO	NC		
70	1910		(U) Late Entry: At 1610 bunker line insptr today MSG SORRICK.	DO, Bde	NC		
71	2000		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.	DO	NC		
72	2034		(C) LZSJ Co C bunker #6 had trip flare ignited possible mov. eng w/ SA, M/G Quad .50, 81mm. Reactionary forces called out 2039 hrs. Bunker #4 rept/possible mov. Co C CO rep incoming SA 3-4 bursts of 3-4 rd ea impacting vic 81mm mort pits; neg friendly cas. Reactionary Force #1 2039, #2 2039, #3 2043; standdown 2055.	Bde, DO	NC		
73	2057		(C) Trip flare ignited in front of bunker #21 eng w/ SA, Quad .50, 81mm, 4.2 mort; #21 rep rec incoming SA 3-5 rd, possibly Chi Com hard frag, unk no; neg friendly cas. Reactionary Forces called 2058. E Co CO rept/definite mov in front of #21, 2-3 pers. Reactionary Force times: #1 2113, #2 2112, #3 2112; standdown 2300 hr.	Bde, DO	NC		
74	2100		(U) Shadow 45 on sta.	DO	NC		
75	2145		(U) Shadow 45 on sta.	Bde, DO	NC		
76	2240		(C) Rec Bn str rep fr Bn Co's: Co A 5/78, Co B 5/90, Co C 5/101, Co D 4/85, Recon 1/25.	Bn S-1, DO	NC		
77	2300		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.	DO	NC		
78	2330		(U) Ref #75, Shadow 45 off sta.	Bde, DO	NC		
79	2335		(C) Co C 1st Plat LZSJ obsrv flash of light at BS632397 (AZ 352 degrees); light still being obsrv at this time.	DO	NC		
80	2340		(C) LATE ENTRY: At 2300 4.2 mort Plat rec 1 of their EM rec minor cheek wound fr either fragments fr M-79 or hand frag; Co E line #61 did not req dust off.	DO	NC		
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81	2345		(U) Rec significant events and weather rept fr Bn Ln SGT LONG. Weather: variable cloudiness light showers, patchy morning fog; winds 5-15 knots. Temp H 77, L 70.	DO	NC			
82	2350		(U) Co C rept neg further on SITREP of unidentified lights; ref #79.	DO	NC			
83	2357		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same. Neg contact w/ SRRP 2.	DO	NC			
84	2359		(C) Log summary: 4-3 Inf cont offensive search and amb ops in SAN JUAN AC w/ Co C securing LZ SAN JUAN, and Co's A, B, D, and SRRP's 1 and SRRP 2 oper in grid sq BS6110, BS7042, BS6534, BS6139, BS6339, respv. At 1318 Co B rept rec: At 1245 Co B vic BS698428 obsrv 5 NVA/VC in open; eng w/ M-60, 81mm mort; 105mm fr LZSJ. Arty fired 1 WP, 61 HE. 2nd Plat checking area. Short time later, 2nd Plat fd 1 confirmed VC KIA wore black PJ's and 2 blood trails leading N fr BS698428; neg weapons or packs fd. At 1620 rec rep fr Co D: At 1545 1st Plat vic BS656340 eng 5 NVA/VC; res: 3 KIA NVA/VC, 2 AK-47 CIA, SN68734, SN8328, 1 Chi Com, 1 US hand frag grenade; KIA wore faded khaki uniforms. Other 2 en obsrv evading to NW of eng loc; 3d Plat checking area. At 2034 LZSJ Co C bunker #6 obsrv trip flare ignited in front of bunker and possible mov; eng w/ SA, M/G, Quad .50 cal, 81mm. Co C CO rept incoming SA fire 3-4 bursts of 3-4 rd ea burst impacting vic 81mm mort pits; neg friendly cas. Reactionary Force called. At 2057 trip flare ignited in front of bunker #21; eng w/ SA Quad .50, 81mm mort, 4.2 mort. Bunker #21 rept incoming SA fire 3-5 rd possilbe Chi Com, pak no, neg friendly cas. Reactionary force called again. At 2300, 4.2 mort Plat rept 1 of their EM rec minor cheek wound fr either M-79 fragments or hand frag; Em did not req dustoff.					
84	2400		(U) Journal closed.	DO	NC			
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