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ORGANIZATION OR INSTALLATION S-2/9-3 4th Bn, 3d Inf AVDF-BARK			LOCATION LZ SAN JUAN BS635382		PERIOD COVERED		
					FROM	TO	
					HOUR	DATE	HOUR
					0001	20 Mar 70	2400
						20 Mar 70	
ITEM NO.	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.			ACTION TAKEN	INITIALS
	IN	OUT					
01	0001		(C) Journal opened; loc fol: Co A NDP BS 513396, Co B OPCON 3-1 on LZ LES at BSL88366, Co C NDP BS522386, Co D LZSJ, SRRP 1, 4 LZSJ, SRRP 2 OPCON Co C, SRRP 3 OPCON Co A.				DW
02	0100		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.			DO, Bde	DW
03	0120		(C) Rec LRRP info fr Bde: LRRP Tm NEVADA # 37, ROLLING STONE 37, Box 7432, 7832, 7828, msn PW snatch, DTG 200600 to 261700 Mar, freq prim Bde 65.10.			DO, Posted	DW
04	0200		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.			DO, Bde	DW
05	0258		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.			DO, Bde	DW
06	0352		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.			DO, Bde	DW
07	0453		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.			DO, Bde	DW
08	0505		(C) 4.2 rep: 19 msns fired, 83 rds expended.			DO, Bde	DW
09	0545		(U) Rec'd significant events fr Bde.			DO, Bn S-2	DW
10	0555		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.			DO, Bde	DW
11	0652		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same, all ele closed except SRRP 3.			DO	DW
12	0800		(C) Bn SITREP neg; at 0800 Co A BS513397, Co B LZ LES, Co C BS522386, Co D LZSJ, Recon (-LZSJ).			Bde, DO, Arty Ln	JS
13	0830		(C) Co A loc BS517397.			DO, Arty Ln	RJ
14	0840		(C) LTC WIELGA, Bn Co, & MAJ ERHARDT, S-3 dept LZSJ to control CA of BA TO SF.			DO	RJ
15	0915		(C) COL HOFFMAN, Bde CO & MAJ NORTHQUEST, Bde S-3, arr LZSJ.			DO	RJ
16	0930		(C) Bn SITREP and locs neg; Co A BS517397, Co B OPCON 3-1st Inf, Co C BS525389, Co D LZSJ, Recon SRRP 1 & 4 LZSJ, SRRP 2 & 3 OPCON			DO, Arty Ln	RJ
17	0935		(C) DOLPHIN 22 reported that DOLPHIN 543 took fire during the CA of CIDG's. He is landing on our pad to check out the damage, grid of contact is BS581405.			DO, SHARKS	RJ
18	0940		(C) COL HOFFMAN & MAJ NORTHQUEST dept LZSJ.			DO	RJ

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19	0955		(C) DOLPHIN 543 dept LZSJ had taken 3 rds in cargo compartment, small arms.			DO	RJ
20	1000		(C) Co C at BS525389 rec'd S/A fire from vic BS523387, neg cas, eng w/81 and Arty elements of Co C, maneuvering on en loc. Gunships req at 0950, more to fol.				RJ
21	1022		(C) HELIX 38 on station to assist w/Beacon.				RJ
22	1025		(C) Co A and SRRP 3 fd 6 rds 81mm HE still in cardboard tubes in old NDP & a trail leading E to W, used within 24 hours.			DO	RJ
23	1043		(C) Bn SITREP neg; Co A BS517397, SRRP 3 BS 510397 and closing, Co B LZ LES, Co C BS 525389, SRRP 2 1st patrols mvng SE, Co D LZSJ, Recon SRRP 1 & 4 LZSJ, SRRP 2 & 3 OPCON.			DO	RJ
24	1100		(C) Beacon Rn 363 time on 1018, time off 1052, dropped 28 500 lb bombs into grids BS673474, CEL, 90/90 coverage, neg BDA.			Bde	JS
25	1105		(C) COL WIELGA and MAJ ERHARDT dept to LZ TIGER at BS478476.			DO	RJ
26	1110		(C) Bn SITREP neg (at 1100); Co A BS517397, SRRP 3 BS510397 and closing, Co B LZ LES, Co C BS525389, SRRP 2 1st patrol mvng, SE, Co D LZSJ, SRRP 1 & 4 LZSJ, SRRP 2 and 3 OPCON Co C and Co A.			DO	RJ
27	1125		(C) Co A on 81mm rds: Tracks looked GI & CPT HAUGEN reports that he thinks rds are fr 3 days ago.			DO, Bn S-2	RJ
28	1140		(C) FR Co C (Rec at 0945) SHARKS requested at 0950 on station at 1012, off sta at 1125 Rec'd approx 25-30 rds fr 1 VC/NVA, they eng w/M-60 and M-16, M-79 and 81mm mort, SHARKS worked area, neg friendly KIA or WIA SRRP's going out in vic where rds came fr.			Bde S-2, WARLORD	RJ
29	1153		(C) COL WIELGA, Bn CO & MAJ ERHARDT arr LZSJ.			DO	RJ
30	1157		(C) Lt COLLETT: 4th Ren C/A today no contact made, no major loc change today.			DO	RJ
31	1200		(C) Co C (rec at 1155) SRRP 2 and 1st Plat fd 6 hootches 6 x 12, 10 bunkers approx				

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Cont.			10 ft deep and made a turn to sleeping pens 5' x 18" fd also 1 US water blivet which was destroyed, contained at one time peroxide, cooking utensils 1 engineering stake.			Bde S-2	RJ
32	1207		(C) Bn SITREP neg (1200) Co A PB BS517397, SRRP 3 closed, Co B OPCON 3-1st, Co C neg contact, Co D LZSJ, SRRPs same.			DO	RJ
33	1224		(C) Bn plans for opns on 21 Mar 70 submitted to Bde by EIDELL, rec by RAMOS.			Bde	JS
34	1255		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.			Bde, DO	NC
35	1255		(C) FAC (HELIX 31) on station.			DO	RJ
36	1333		(C) CIDG Co at BS539393 fd documents and 100 kilos of rice also 6 hootches well built recently used (Rec'd at 1100).			S-2	RJ
37	1420		(C) Bn SITREP neg; Co A LZSJ, Co B OPCON 3-1 Inf, Co C BS525389, 1st Plat BS524383, SRRP 2 BS524383, Co D BS517397, Recon same.			DO, Arty Ln	RJ
38	1425		(C) Co A PZ 1333, LZL417, Co D PZ 1320, LZ 1412.			Bde, DO	RJ
39	1438		(C) AO Ext 90 cancelled (Fr Bde MCKAY).			DO	RJ
40	1500		(C) Bn SITREP neg; Co A LZSJ, Co B OPCON 3-1, Co C BS525389, patrols same, Co D BS517397, SRRPs same.			DO, Arty Ln	RJ
41	1520		(C) CPT PHILLIP Bde called as to disposition of APD.			DO, Bn S-2	RJ
42	1607		(C) Bn SITREP neg; at 1600 Co A LZSJ, Co B LZ LES, Co C BS525389, patrols same, Co D and Recon same.			Bde, DO, Arty Ln	RJ
43	1610		(C) SPOT REPORT: At 1550 Co C rec S/A fire fr SW approx 125m vic BS525389, eng w/M-60 S/A and 81mm mort, neg fr cas, en unk, req gunships, rec by CLOUGH.			Bn S-2, Bde	JS
44	1630		(C) HELIX 37 on station.			DO	RJ
45	1643		(C) WARLORDS on station.			DO	RJ
46	1700		(C) Co A LZSJ, Co B LZ LES, Co C BS525397, 1st & SRRP 2 BS521383, Co D BS517397, Recon same.			DO, Arty Ln	RJ

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47	1710		(C) SGT PRESTON called as to disposition of hooks for tomorrow, need to reduce quantity 2			
			CPT FERNELLI <del>referred to</del>		DO	RJ
48	1750		(C) WARLORD LD in support of Co C off sta at 1750.		DO	JS
49	1750		(C) HELIX 37 off station.		DO	RJ
50	1800		(C) Bn SITREP neg; Co A LZSJ Co B LZ LES, Co C BS525383 NDP, Co D BS522394 Co D BS 522399, Recon same, CIDG (HARD CORE) BS 543383.		DO	RJ
51	1810		(C) Bde SGT PRESTON: Beacon Rn 366 1400: BS723341 tgt base camp area, also work up data for 2 divert Beacons in case 366 does not come.		DO	RJ
52	1840		(C) C/C time 0700-1600 SGT PRESTON UTILITY " 1400-1600		DO	RJ
53	1845		(C) At 1830 fr MINH LONG Lt COLLETTE: loc 4/4 BS475425 4/Recon 7755.		DO	RJ
54	1846		(C) At BS475425 4/4 fd rice cache 2000 lbs destroyed all.		S-2	RJ
55	1900		(C) Bn SITREP neg; loc same except Co D 1st Plat 75m SW, 2d Plat 50m NW, 3d Plat 75m SE, SRRP 3 BS521399.		DO, Bde	DW
56	1930		(C) Rec significant events fr SGT CAMPBELL, Bn Ln, see attached.		DO, Bn S-2	DW
57	1936		(U) Rec INTREP fr Bde, see attached.		DO, Bn S-2	DW
58	1937		(C) CIDG Co sent msg that they will be mvng in lower left of grid square 5439.		DO	DW
59	1940		(C) SPOT REPORT: At 1920 Co C at BS525389 rec 1 CHICOM fr NE outside peri, neg cas, also obsr 1 VC/NVA across the river 150m eng w/ M-60 res unk, en wore black pj's, neg won, rec'd at Bde by LOCKHART.		DO, Bde	DW
60	2015		(C) Bn Strength rep: Co A 5/87, Co C 5/85, Co D 2/81, Recon Plat 1/27.		DO, Posted	DW
61	2018		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.		DO, Bde	DW
62	2035		(C) Msg fr Bde, GIA VUC CIDG's closed on GIA VUC at 1830.		DO	DW
63	2038		(C) Rec BA TO loc, C12A BS543383, P38D BS 527313.		DO	DW

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64	IN	OUT	(C) Rec msg fr EA TO CIDG amb at BS540386.	DO		DW	
65	2103		(C) Partly cloudy skies w/haze, patchy morning fog in valley areas, winds NE-SE 5-15 knots thru Sunday, some increase in clouds.	DO, Bn S-2		DW	
66	2106		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.	DO, Bde		DW	
67	2202		(C) INTREP fr JBM at BA TO: C-3, 1 MF VC Plat C-29 Bn loc BS598336 at 1200, F-6 1 LF VC Plat at BS603627, msn unk, F-6 1 LF VC Sqd at BS567392, msn unk.	DO, Bde, S-2		DW	
68	2215		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.	DO, Bde		DW	
69	2220		(C) Rec'd loc of ML CIDG BS568506.	DO, Posted		DW	
70	2231		(C) 1LT NORTON, DO, submitted req to Bde, LOCKHART: Shadow Box: Prim 5845 to 6145 to 6140 to 5840 alt: 6242 to 6642 to 6348 to 5948 time 221800 to 230600 Warlord Box: 5637 to 6337 to 6343 to 5643 msn recon in force, time 220600 to 221800 Beacon A/S: Prim: BS626495 tgt POW center, alt BS627483 tgt SEL time: 220600 to 230600 Preplanned: Prim BS666501 CEL 120 men ord HE & NAPE, time 220600-221800.	DO, Bde		DW	
71	2300		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.	DO, Bde		DW	
72	2352		(U) Bn SITREP neg; loc same.	DO, Bde		DW	
73			(C) Journal Summary: 4-3 Inf cont offensive search and amb ops in SAN JUAN AO w/ Co A and SRRP's 1 & 4 securing LZSJ and Co's C, D, with SRRP's 2 and 3 operating in grid squares BS5239 and 5139. At 0935 Dolphin 543 at BS581405 took 4 rds S/A during CIDG C/A (See #17). At 1000 at BS525389 Co C rec'd S/A sniper fire fr vic BS523387, neg damage or casualties (See #20). At 1025 Co A fd 6 rds 81mm HE left in old NDP fr 3 days ago (See #22, #27). At 1550 Co C rec S/A fire fr SW of BS525389 rec'd approx 60 rds AK w/neg casualties or damage, fire returned with M-60, M-79, S/A and 81mm mort, neg findings (See #43). At 1920 Co C at BS525389 rec'd 1 CHICOM and obsr 1 VC/NVA 150m across river, eng w/M-60, res unk, neg friendly casualties (See #59). There were negative further significant events during the day.	Bde, DO		DW	
74	2400		(U) Journal closed.	DO, Bde		DW	
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O 191330Z MAR 70  
FM CO 11TH BDE FSB BRONCO  
TO WRGC CO 3-1 INF BN  
WRGD CO 4-3 INF BN  
WRGE CO 120 INF BN  
WRGF CO 4-21 INF BN  
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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

FM: DIOCC 19 MAR 70 C31 53 ~~VC ARE~~ GETTING LABORERS  
FM THE NORTHERN DUC PHO (D) AREA FOR AN 8 DAY MSN STARTING  
19 MAR 70 EACH VILLAGE SI TO PROVIDE 30 MEN  
FM: DIOCC 19 MAR 70 F3 70 VC OF THE 5 TH ZONE ARE LOC  
IN AREA OF BS265355 HIDING IN TUNNELS ARMED W/ RPG'S 82 MMORT  
57 MM RR& S/A MSN: IS TO PROTECT THE AREA TO GET RICE  
FM: 525 19 MAR 70 B3 ON 9 MAR 70 THE HQ OF MR5 WAS LOC  
IN THE VIC OF MANG XIM(H) THERE WERE MANY BUILDINGS USED AS FACTORIES  
, BARRACKS, HOSPITALS, AND OFFICERS WITHIN A 3-5 KILOMETERS  
AREA COVERED BY THE HQ. THE FRONT TRANS AGENCY WAS IN  
CLOSE PROX TO THE HQ & EMPLOYED 30 PERSONNEL. ROAD IN  
THE AREA LED TO SON HA (D) BS0966, KONTUM(P) DUE WEST, TRABONG  
(D) TO THE EAST. ANOTHER ROAD WAS BEING REBUILT FM  
QUANG NAM (P) TO QUANG NGAI (P) ALONG TROUNG SON MT RANGE TO  
ACCOMMODATE THE RECENT ACQUISITION & USE OF 50 TRUCKS & 22 ELEPHANTS  
BY THE FRONT TRANS SECTION, VIC OF HQ BS100800

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FM: 525 19 MAR 70 F6 ON 13 MAR 70 A VC QM SUPPLY CACHE  
WAS ON NUI TAI MEO BS503457 THE CACHE WAS IN 2  
SCALES & CONTAINED 3 TONS OF RICE, CLOTHING, FISH, & PETROLEUM  
WHICH HAD BEEN TRANSPORTED FROM NGHIA LAM & DUC PHO DISTRICTS  
ALL PROVISIONS WOULD BE ISSUED TO THE 7 TH & 3TH 3TH LAICTY  
WAS PROVIDED BY 1 PLT ARMED W/ RGS  
FM: 525 19 MAR 70 B3 ON 14 MAR 70 THE C45 CO W/45 MEN  
WAS DEPLOYED AT PHUOC LUONG(H) BS693957 THE C.O. WAS NEW AS THE  
PREVIOUS C.O. WAS KILLED IN AN ATK ON THE 4 TH ARVN REGT HQ IN FEB  
ARMED W/ 1 60 MM MORT & MG RPG'S (2 1 31 MM MORT HIDDEN  
VIC BS783962) & S/A MSN IS TO REST, REC SUPPLIES, &  
HELP ESTABLISH THE INFRASTRUCTURE BY ORGANIZING MEETINGS IN (V)  
OF NO BUCK) DURING THIS TIME THEY WOULD CONSOLIDATE THE  
AUTHORITIES IN THE HAMLETS 80 NEW GUERRILLAS WOULD ALSO BE  
RECRUITED & TRAINED IN THEIR HOME HAMLETS  
FM: 525 19 MAR 70 F3 ON 18 MAR 70 THE C29 CO W/120  
PERSONNEL WAS DEPLOYED AT GOL LOACH BS624057 ARMED W/ 1 C2 MM MORT  
1 60 MM MORT & 2 RPG'S & SUB MORT SUB ILL WAS COMPOSED  
TO ARRIVE AT DEO LAM BS580362 MSN IS TO  
30 MAR 70



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FM:525 19 MAR 70 03 ON 16 MAR 70 THE 107TH HVY WPNS  
BN W/30 PERSONNEL WAS DEPLOYED AT RUONG CANH BS451095 ARMED  
W/1 82 MM MORT, 2 AA/MG 1 82 MM MORT & S/A MSN IS TO  
SUPPORT LF UNITS & GUERRILLAS IN U/I ACTIVITIES TO HELP MAKE  
THE POP TRUST THEM THEY HAD MONEY BUT HAD NO MARKET TO  
BUY FROM.

FM:525 19 MAR 70 F6 ON 14 MAR 70 THE C212 CO W/120  
PERSONNEL WAS DEPLOYED AT NUOC LO (H) 492330 ARMED W/1 60 MM MORT  
1 MG 3 RPG'S S/A MSN IS TO PROVIDE SCTY FOR A VC  
LAOOT GP COMING FM BINH DINH(P) THE LAST WEEK  
IN MAR

FM 525 19 MAR 70 F6 ON 10 MAR 70 A CACHE OF 3 TONS OF  
RICE WAS AT BS905171 THE CACHE WAS UNDER A LARGE TREE SOUTH OF  
A ROCKPILE & 200 METERS EAST OF A POTATO FARM THE RICE HAD  
RECENTLY BEEN BROUGHT FM THE THACH BY AREA & NO SCTY FORCE  
WAS IN SITE

FM:525 19 MAR 70 ON 11 MAR 70 A VC AID STATION CONSISTING  
OF 1 THACH HOUSE W/4 BEDS WAS AT BS360246 2 ME342  
WOMAN WORK AT THE STATION & THERE WAS NO SCTY FORCE

FM:525 5 SF BA TO 19 MAR 70 F3 1 NVA CO IS LOC AT  
BS570430 MSN IN UNK

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TO WRGD CO 4-3 INF BN  
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C O N F I D E N T I A L FOR BN S-2  
FRED HILL 9 US KIA, 7 US WIA, 6 NVA KIA, 3 VC KIA  
GEN PARK 2 US WIA  
NAN BEACH 3 US WIA, 1 NVA KIANQ VC KIA, 1 IND WPN CIA  
IRON MT 5 US WIA, 1 US KIA, 1 VC KIA, 1 NVA KIA  
192235 B/1-20 BS805645 ENG 20 ENEMY  
RES 2 VC KIA, 1 M-1 CARB CIA  
WPPOTT A/1-20 LZ LIZ 1 HOI CHAN (NVA)  
201030 LRRP NEVADA BS749305 ENG SQ OF  
ENEMY 1 NVA KIA, 1 M-1 CARB CIA  
201315 C/4-21 BS865350 1 CD  
US LOSSES LRRP NEVADA 2 WIA, 201030 AT  
BS749305 FROM S/A FIRE  
4 TH ARVN REGT CONTACTS  
191800 PRU'S BS863356 1 CD  
200930 PRU'S BS550750 1 VC CIA, 1 AK47 CIA  
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