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1	0001		JOURNAL OPENED	J,S,BDE	JB	
2	0100		Sit Rep/Neg	J,S,BDE	AS	
3	0200		Sit Rep/Neg	J,S,BDE	AS	
4	0300		Sit Rep/Neg	J,S,BDE	AS	
5	0305		B Co (-) moving N at this time.	J,S,BDE	EB	
6	0400		Sit Rep/Neg	J,S,BDE	AS	
7	0500		Sit Rep/Neg	J,S,BDE	AS	
8	0508		Gordon completed by B Co (-) at this time center of mass BS 867075.	J,S,BDE	AS	
9	0600		Sit Rep/Neg	J,S,BDE	AS	
10	0604		Bde 1st light recon in AO at this time working w/B Co.	J,S	AS	
11	0610		1/9 Sot Tm in AO working w/Hills.	J,S	EB	
12	0630		B Co 46 & tanks have reached B Co (-) location at this time.	J,S,BDE	AS	
13	0637		National Police on ground w/B Co at this time.	J,S,BDE	AS	
14	0638		1/9 Sot Tm leaving AO at this time w/neg findings.	J,S	AS	
15	0700		Killer Tm has returned to LZ GERONIMO.	J,S	AS	
16	0720		The No fire sone at vic center of mass 855195. has been lifted & is no longer in effect.	J,S	RA	
17	0728		D Co 36 departing LZ GERONIMO moving w/at this time.	J,S	AS	

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18	0740		Bde Sct Tm reports BS 870199 on 1st pass saw US poncho out side slit on rocks on 2nd pass the poncho was gone, also observed 10 meters away 1 US canteen w/case; applied fire to area. Had small secondary explosion threw C/S in slit w/neg results spotted neg personnel.	J,S,BDE	AS	
19	0750		Requested Sct Tm to work with C Co at 0810 hrs.	J,S,BDE	RA	
20	0800		C Co off LZ SANDRA at this time.	J,S,BDE	RA	
21	0810		1st ble of C Co on LZ vic coord 880200.	J,S,BDE	RA	
22	0815		Sct in area (Ref entry 19) working w/C Co.	J,S	RA	
23	0815		All C Co closed LZ.	J,S,BDE	RA	
24	0820	(DE)	5 man killer tm from D Co return to LZ GERONIMO 240615 reports: Sptted young Vietnamese girl age 19 or 20 w/long hair stand near trail junction vic BS 865199 appeared to be signaling to people in the hills to the east. She hid from Sct Tm that flew over approx 1800 hrs 23 Jul patrol actually saw 8 VC but sounds indicated much large group came out of hills vic BS 868202 BS 868196 (Caves in this area) After leaving hill mass VC personnel entered hamlet of An Do BS 860202 between 1800 & 1900 hrs			

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24	(CONT)		After VC personnel entered An Do signals appeared to be passing between those in hamlet & others in hills to NE on a light spotted from hill mass to west of 8 VC spotted 1 carried carbine w/web gear in khaki uniform must in BLK PJ and 1 appeared to have a bandaged wound.			
			From 0415 to 0430 24 Jul ambush set vic 865 199 trail junction w/neg results.	J,S,BDE	RA	
25	0840		The 1/8 Cav command ship went down vic coords 865179 no injuries to personnel aboard. Covered by Bde Sots small ele of D Co will secure downed aircraft.	J,S,BDE	RA	
26		0845	Request another CC from 83 1000 hrs does not foresee any difficulty in security it.	J,S	DW	
27	0915		The National Police working w/B Co are ready for extraction- questioned a total of 50 personnel neg results.	J,S,BDE	RA	
28	0942		The National Police have been extracted from B Co's location.	J,S,BDE	RA	
29	1000		D Co 36 ele requests med-evac for 1 EM fell on cactus hurt his knee.	J,S	RA	
30	1000		C Co requests med-evac 2 heat casualties med-evac complete at this time.	J,S	RA	

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31	1005		Bn S-3 requests continuous Sct Tm to work w/Co.	J,S,BDE	RA		
32	1010		D Co med-evac complete at this time.	J,S	RA		
33	1015		From Bde 83 unable to supply Sct Tm for C Co will be able to supply for A Co and D Co.	J,S	AS		
34	1021		Requested 1/9 Sct Tm to work w/C Co.	J,S,BDE	AS		
35	1045		C Co reports at vic coords 870200 found 1 VC KIA age 20 wearing Blk PJ dead about 1 days also found some documents & grenade parts.	J,S,BDE	RA		
36	1045		D Trp 1/9 Cav picked up 1 VCD military age wearing Blk PJ had old wound in leg & shoulder will bring him to Bde also had 90 plasters.	J,S,BDE	RA		
37	1104		(Ref entry 34) 1/9 Sct Tm working w/C Co at this time.	J,S	AS		
38	1104		D Co 36 ele found some old trenches heavily concealed have not been used recently vic coords 846153.	J,S,BDE	RA		
39	1110		1st elem of A Co off P4 vic coords 928149.	J,S,BDE	RA		
40	1115		All of A Co off P4 at this time.	J,S,BDE	RA		
41	1120		C Co 26 ele at vic coords 875201 found Spring Field 03 SN 4111 also 1 VC trapped in a cave results will follow also 4 rds for Spring Field.	J,S,BDE	RA		
42	1128		All of A Co on ground vic coords 845103.	J,S,BDE	RA		

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43	1130		D Co ffrom LZ GERONOMO spotted 5 VC at vic coords 875173 had neg wpons wearing Blk PJ D Co 15 ele will check area.	J,S,BDE	RA
44	1140		A Co's cordon complete at this time.	J,S,BDE	RA
45	1230		The S-2 and S-5 Tm and National Police from Bde on ground at A Co's location vic coords 845103 1st snatch tm from D Co on ground at vic coords 845103.	J,S,BDE	BC
46	1240		C Co 26 ele at cooras 875201 found 1 poncho, medicine unknown orgin, towel documents, 100 lbs potatoes, US Pistol belt 1 US M-26 grenade ,VC bayonets cooking gear to feed a plat.		
47	1310		B Co 36 back with B Co. B Co 46 enroutte to LZ ENGLISH.	J,S,BDE	BC
48	1315		C Co 26 ele coords 866201 has found 1 VC KIA 20 yrs old due to SA dressed in green shorts had a wallet with a picture of himself in a officer's uniform (Ref entry 35) VC KIA was shot six times five in the head. (Ref entry 41 48) is the same VC.	J,S,BDE	BC
49	1319		D Co 16 at coords 877174 have 1 VCD age 12 dressed in green shorts. tried to escape and hide.	J,S,BDE	BC

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50	1335		(Ref entry 48) The uniform was NVA type with two insignia's on each collar. C Co 26 has found two butterfly mines they will be destroyed, they wer not booby trapped.	J,S,BDE	BC
51	1349		D Co 32 has found at vic coords 843139 1 grenade destroyed, 1 trip flare, 1 M-16 magazine, 1 smoke grenade.		
52	1356		C Co 26 vic coords 870200 had found 1 wpn. 03 SN FH51828, 3 VC packs containing a green unifrom 1 containing a grey unifrom and one with 3 BLK PJ, 37 rds for AK-47, 1 PRC-6 SN ACPRL-10 21 barreries for PRC-6, 50 lbs of rice, 1 brief case containing a diary dating 1939 to present and documents.	J,S	
53	1435		A Co requests Med-evac 1 Vietnamese child ser-ious malaria case at coords 844103 1 parent will be going with children on med-evac.	J,S	BC
54	1451		Med-evac for A Co complete.	J,S,B	BC
55	1440	(DE)	D Co elements assisting A Co have closed LZ GERONIMO.	J,S	BC
54	1516		C Co 26 vic coods 870200, 3 VC packs, 1 pr green socks, 1 pr green gloves, 3 pr Blk PJ 1 mosquito bar, US, 3 1st aid packs US, 15		

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56	(CONT)		rds 7.62mm, 1 flashlight US, 1 sewing kit US 5 rds 9mm drawing and pencil equipment, 3 Blk silk hirts, 1 ammo pack US 1 overseas bag, heating utensils, 1 poncho, 1 blue sweatershirt 8 pr HO CHI MINH sandals, womens underwear.		
57	1519		Results of A Co's cordon at coords 856101 3 CD f/M questioned 130 IC.	J,S,BDE	BC
58	1526		National Police 1st sortir from A Co's loc- ation. 1525 all NP's from A Co enroute LZ ENGLISH.	J,SBDE	BC
59	1540		C Co 26 believed to have 1 VC WIA in cave vic coord 870200 had a wpn.	J,S,BDE	BC
60	1550		C Co 26 reports finding 1 VC with leg blown off by ARA will be med-evac as soon as they can get him to a secure LZ.		
61	1605		D Co 36 has closed LZ GERONIMO.	J,S	BC
62	1620		C Co 46 ele found a cave in vic of coords 870200 capable of holding 30-40 personnel has running water & water estimated use by 5 perole one day ago.	J,S,BDE	BC
63	1638		C Co 26 has 1 VC found in a cave vic coords 870200. Age 35 wearing Blaoish grey PJ has a pistol belt w/poncho. R quest ship to evac.	J,S,BDE	BC

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64	1656		C Co 26 reports having 1 VC dressed in Blk shirt and shorts age 25 had bandages on his chest looked like frag wounds. Neg wpn or documents.	J, S, BDE	BC
65	1720		Request Med-evac for C Co's VCC.	J, S, Med-evac	JF
66	1722	(DE)	While D Co 36 ele were working in vic grid 8415, they sensed the smell of death. They checked the area out and at coords 852153 there was blood in the area and marks like two bodies had been dragged on the side of the road, one grave freshly dug with two body prints beside the grave. Also found 1 booby trapped ammo box w/a WP grenade inside with a string dentonator. Also in area were two old trip flares 1 flare was a spooky flare they destroyed everything. Trenches along the trail going up the Mt. In same vicinity hut at top of the Mt. seemed to be used recently. The grid 8415 had a TOT on it two nights may indicate the smell of death and the bloodied area.	J, S, BDE	BC
67	1840		Set Tm 1/9 leaving AO.	J, S	BC
68	1830	(DE)	Anti-malaria measures have been taken by all		

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