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| 1        | 0001 |     | JOURNAL OPENED  | J, S, BDE            | JJ       |
| 2        | 0100 |     | Sit Rep/Neg   | J, S, BDE            | JJJ      |
| 3        | 0110 |     | Bde informed us RRF has been pulled all missions including slicks will be on a hold until further notice. | J, S, A, B, C, D Cos | JJ       |
| 4        | 0200 |     | Sit Rep/Neg   | J, S, BDE            | JJ       |
| 5        | 0300 |     | Sit Rep/Neg   | J, S, BDE            | JJ       |
| 6        | 0400 |     | Sit Rep/Neg   | J, S, BDE            | JJ       |
| 7        | 0500 |     | Sit Rep/Neg   | J, S, BDE            | JJ       |
| 8        | 0600 |     | Sit Rep/Neg   | J, S, BDE            | JJ       |
| 9        | 0627 |     | S-21 returned to perimeter w/neg findings.  | J, S                 | GM       |
| 10       | 0645 |     | A Co OP's back neg findings.  | J, S                 | JJ       |
| 11       | 0650 |     | C Co OP's back in neg findings.   | J, S                 | JJ       |
| 12       | 0651 |     | B Co OP's back in neg findings.   | J, S                 | JJ       |
| 13       | 0715 |     | D Co 26 back in neg findings.   | J, S                 | JJ       |
| 14       | 0715 |     | 1/12 Killer Tm observed at 0025 hrs from vic 855174 moving south 12 VC, 6 were armed they had 1 mortar.   | J, S                 | SK       |
| 15       | 0729 |     | D Co 46 element leaving the perimeter to the north west.  | J, S                 | SK       |
| 16       | 0730 |     | Ref item 47. The VCS detainee escaped at 0230, 30 Aug (D Co).   | J, S, BDE            | SK       |
| 17       | 0735 |     | Sct Tm with C Co at this time.  | J, S                 | JJ       |

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| 18  | 0745 |                   | B Co 26 ele is on the ground vic 733085 coming from LZ ENGLISH.   | J,S,BDE      | SK             |
| 19  | 0812 |                   | Bde advises cancellation of the 0900 snatch mission advises there is no chance getting the lift ships at that time.   | J,S          | SK             |
| 20  | 0822 |                   | A Co 46 ele lifted out to LZ ENGLISH at 0817.   | J,S,BDE      | SK             |
| 21  | 0831 |                   | A 36 moving south east.   | J,S          | JJ             |
| 22  | 0854 |                   | D Co 46 at coord 858108 found and destroyed 30 to 40# rice in 3 small bags around a hut.  | J,S,BDE      | JJ             |
| 23  | 0857 |                   | B Co moving to coord 734082.  | J,S          | JJ             |
| 24  | 0905 |                   | D Co 46 ref 22 also found a 60 gal crock full of rice buried covered with straw; de stroyed.  | J,S,BDE      | JJ             |
| 25  | 0920 |                   | C Co 16 found at coord 835097 one cave which could hold 4 to 5 people also in this area 4 to 5 caves hold squad each straw on floor and a few cooking utensil inside. | J,S,BDE      | JJ             |
| 26  | 0925 |                   | Air strike at coord 733094 complete, B Co moving back to 734085 & check area when cool.   | J,S,BDE      | JJ             |
| 27  | 0930 |                   | Ref 25 C 16 found 1 VC poncho, 1 VC pack only a letter inside interpreter could not understand it.  | J,S,BDE      | JJ             |
| 28  | 0942 |                   | B Co 16 are going to check out caves ref 26 6&36, 46 is with CP to guard.   | J,S          | JJ             |
| 29  | 0942 |                   | Div reports that at Quiang Ngai lost night  |              |                |

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| 29  | (CONT) |                   | there was a VC attack 75-100 82mm mortars on the MACV area and an insuring ground attack freed 1200 prisoners.                  | J,S            | SK        |                |
| 30  | 1008   |                   | D Co 46 at coord 845118 found a cave complex contains 3 rooms neg findings inside recently used.                                | J,S,BDE        | JJ        |                |
| 31  | 1015   |                   | D Co snatch mission has been re-scheduled for 1100. B Co movement set at 1300 tentatively                                       | J,S,B,D Cos    | SK        |                |
| 32  | 1020   |                   | Ref item 31, cancelled until further notice.  | J,S,B,D Cos    | SK        |                |
| 33  | 1030   |                   | Preplanned Air Strike for 311030 Aug 67 vic 833094 submitted to 83M at this time.   | J,S            | BW        |                |
| 34  | 1100   |                   | (Time 1030) A Co 16 at coord 873100 found 1 new NVA unfirm complete inside corner of a hut they will stay in area to check out. | J,S,BDE        | JJ        |                |
| 35  | 1100   |                   | Preplanned air strike for 310845 Aug 67 vic 732094 submitted to 83M at this time.   | J,S            | DW        |                |
| 36  | 1100   |                   | D Co 46 ele moving to D Co CP report neg findings.  | J,S            | SK        |                |
| 37  | 1105   |                   | Ref item 34, A Co will tag and send NVA unfirm in on log ship along with anything else they find.                               | J,S,BDE        | SK        |                |
| 38  | 1142   |                   | C Co has some VCS in a cave ref 25 vic of 835097 interpreter working w/them 3 came out wearing Blk PJ.                          | J,S,BDE        | JJ        |                |

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| 39  | 1152 |           | Killer Tm no fire box for A Co grid sqs 8809 & 8810.   | J, S, BDE, A Co | DW           |      |           |
| 40  | 1224 |           | C Co ref entry 38 VCS ages are 18, 30, 36 stated that that there is four more in the area.   | J, S            | BC           |      |           |
| 41  | 1236 |           | D Co 46 found in cave complex at coord 844118 consisted of two rooms 1 large hole in the cave also table and chairs in cave. Last used 7 days ago at coord 842122 FD. bicycle parts 2 fenders 1 sprocket, destroyed. Also FD 50 lbs of rice underneath the ground at coord 858108 destroyed. | J, S, BDE       | BC           |      |           |
| 42  | 1237 |           | B Co 16 at cave complex at coord 753095 observed 1 VC in the cave. VC fired at B Co 16 with neg results. fire was from a AW, still pursuing VC. Also found 2 NVa pistol belts both containing food containers and canteens one belt contained a knife.                                       | J, S, BDE       | BC           |      |           |
| 43  | 1325 |           | C Co 16 vic coord 835897 was entering a cave w/1 of the VCS reported in Ref entry 38. The 1 VCS was leading C Co 16 ele into the cave as they entered a grenade was thrown from a VC in the cave killing the 1 VCS and slightly wounding one GI (doesn't require med-evac).                  |                 |              |      |           |

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| 43  | (CONT) |                   | Still searching for the 1 VC in the cave and they believe a total of 3 more in the cave.   | J,S,BDE        | BC        |                |
| 44  | 1332   |                   | Snatch mission cancelled.  | J,S,BDE D Co   | BC        |                |
| 45  | 1335   |                   | Read out on Document picked up by A Co 873100, school books land deeds songs, CHOI HOAI passes neg tactical info.  | J,S            | AS        |                |
| 46  | 1345   |                   | C Co requests med-evac 1 BM WIA from grenade fragment vic coord 835097 R f entry 43.   | J,S,BDE        | BC        |                |
| 47  | 1404   |                   | A Co's cordon complete at coord 880093. Starting to probe at this time.  | J,S,BDE        | BC        |                |
| 48  | 1411   |                   | B Co at vic coord 733095 have some documents a book listing a guerilla platoon also their wives and children also a letter dated 4 Aug from a guerilla to his wife.  | J,S,BDE        | BC        |                |
| 49  | 1415   |                   | C Co med-evac completed.   | J,S            | BC        |                |
| 50  | 1229   | DE                | D Co 46 ele closed LZ SANTANA  | J,S            | BC        |                |
| 51  | 1525   | DE                | Time 1115 1/9 Sgt Tm report coord 8104620 found 5-6 bunkers surrounding a 10x15 hut had signs of recent use. In grass around area were trails recently used also found cut trees at coord 778100 also 20-30 old bunkers no recent use. | J,S,BDE        | AS        |                |
| 52  | 1540   |                   | NP at A Co's location of cordon at coord 880093.   | J,S,BDE        | BC        |                |

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| 53  | 1551 |                   | A Co at coord 880093 cordon site has 30 F/M<br>14 children 4 males. NP interrogating.   | J,S            | BC        |                |
| 54  | 1658 |                   | B Co air strike completed assessment to follow.   | J,S            | JS        |                |
| 55  | 1659 |                   | NP w/A Co ready for extraction interrogated<br>approx 40 individuals results 1 F/M class-<br>ified as CD will betaken back w/them.  | J,S,BDE        | AS        |                |
| 56  | 1701 |                   | C Co report they have 2 uniformed VC w/them,<br>will send 1 VC and the CHOI HOAI back tonight<br>and will keep 1 VC and the interpeter w/them will<br>remain in area of caves tonight.  | J,S,BDE        | AS        |                |
| 57  | 1721 |                   | Extraction of National Police complete w/<br>A Co ref 55.   | J,S,BDE        | JS        |                |
| 58  | 1740 |                   | From C Co at gic coord 835097 have taken out<br>of the cave 3 VC KIA and 3 VCC plus 1 US<br>carbine SN 35755 details to follow.   | J,S,BDE        | BC        |                |
| 59  | 1748 |                   | Ref #58 also found 2 VC pistol belts one knife<br>and canteen w/cover, 1 VC grenade 1 VCponcho<br>1 US pistol belt w/canteen. C Co still hears<br>talking in cave also 1 NVA pack 4 hammocks<br>writing material. personal letters, 1st aid<br>packet w/medicoal supplies unknown, 2 rice<br>sacks 1 empty 1 half full, 1 civilian shirt<br>1 civilian trousers, 1 sack propoganda (VC) |                |           |                |

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| 59  | (CONT) | 1 grey uniform shirt 1 personal evaluation sheet (empty) also the 3 VCS have been classified as 3 VCC.   |                |          | J, S, BDE BC |
| 60  | 1820   | Results of A/S at B Co location 2 napalm hit cave entrance but did not penetrate far enough will leave platoon to guard cave also using 32 lb C/S (powered for to try and force any ind out of cave. |                |          | J, S, BDE AS |
| 61  | 1830   | Malaria preventive measures have been taken by all elements.   |                |          | J, S, AS     |
| 62  | 1905   | C Co (Ref entry 59) request med-evac for one of the VCS wounded in leg by small arms also the other 4 VCS & the interpreter and CHIO HOAI will be taken to Bde by CC.                                |                |          | J, S, BDE AS |
| 63  | 1930   | C Co med-evac complete.  |                |          | J, S, AS     |
| 64  | 1931   | From Bde mission planned for A Co on 31 Aug in the ARVN AO has been cleared by Bde.  |                |          | J, S, 3 AS   |
| 65  | 22010  | Co's location: A Co (-) 885096, A 11 883096, 32-880100; B Co (-) 743070, B 31-731092; C Co (-) 837103, 26 835092; D Co LZ SANTANA.   |                |          | J, S, AS     |
| 66  | 2100   | Sit Rep/Neg  |                |          | J, S, BDE AS |
| 67  | 2120   | A Co 11 spotted 30 males entering village at 880095 not determined if the people has wpn.  |                |          | J, S, BDE JS |

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