

DAILY STAFF JOURNAL OR DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

ORGANIZATION OR DISTRICT/ALPHABETIC LOCATION

S2/S3 1st Bn 8th Cav

LZ SNAPPER XD842347

SERVICE COMPONENT

HOURLY DATE
090001 Apr 68

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092400 Apr 68

TIME	TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, CHANGES, ETC	REPORTING PARTY	INITIALS
1	0001	Journal opened	J S	rw
2	0030	D Co reports a green star cluster at a direction of 6400 mils, range approx 2,000 meters.	J S Bde	er
3	0100	Negative situation report	J S Bde	er
4	0200	Negative situation report	J S Bde	er
5	0300	Negative situation report	J S Bde	er
6	0400	Negative situation report	J S Bde	er
7	0500	Negative situation report	J S Bde	er
8	0542	D Co reports a red star cluster at direction of 6400 mils, range approx 2,000 meters vic 847330.	J S Bde	er
9	0545	D Co vic 847330 (refer item 8) also reports green star cluster at 6400 mils, 2,000 meters away.	J S Bde	er
10	0600	Negative situation report	J S Bde	er
11	0635	All OPs have closed their respective perimeters.	J S Bde	er
12	0810	Negative sightings. Bde reports that CH47 dropped the Bde commo coner vic 990535, we have been requested to prepared a reinforced platoon on RRF w/a man from commo to go in and try to salvage as much as possible. B16 is standing by.	J S B Co.	bw
13	0826	D Co moving north at this time.	J S	bw
14	0830	A Co loc vic 827321, B & C Co LZ SNAPPER, D Co vic 847330.	J S Bde	bw
15	0918	C Co 26 ele off the PZ at LZ SNAPPER	J S Bde	bw
16	0930	Co C26 ele on the LZ vic 847318, LZ Green	J S Bde	bw
17	0933	C Co 36 off the PZ at LZ SNAPPER.	J S Bde	bw
18	0935	C Co 36 on the ground vic 847318.	J S Bde	bw
19	0942	C Co 16 off the PZ at LZ SNAPPER, PZ clear.	J S Bde	bw
20	0945	C Co complete set on LZ vic 847318	J S Bde	bw
21	1030	Unit locations: A Co 827321, B Co LZ SNAPPER, C Co vic 847318, D Co 840337 - A26 vic 830322.	J S Bde	er
22	1005	DELAYED ENTRY: Scout team on station w/C Co this time.	J S Bde	er
23	1015	A Co 16 ele reports sniper fire vic 822316 w/one US WIA at this time. Scouts on station.	J S Bde	bw
24	1030	A Co reports their US WIA is now A KIA vic 822316.	J S Bde	bw
25	1040	C Co requested Medevac for an EM who passed out. They dont know how sick he is or why he passed out.	J S	bw
26	1050	Medevac for C Co completed.	J S	bw
27	1050	DELAYED ENTRY: A Co requested ARA or gun birds for use vic 822316 (refer item 23) A16 is in contact. Request went to bde at 1035hrs.	J S Bde	bw
28	1050	A Co reports three confirmed NVA KIA vic 822316.	J S Bde	bw
29	1100	(Refer Item 27) A Co reports ARA now engaging a bunker complex vic 822316.	J S Bde	bw
30	1108	C Co requests medevac for 1 EM, suffering heat		

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S2/S3 1st Bn 8th Cav		LZ SNAPPER ID842347	FROM	THRU	DATE	DATE	
			090001	Apr	68	092400	Apr 68
TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	REPORTING OFFICER	INITIALS				
30 (Cont'd)	exhaustion via 839318.	J S Bde	bw				
31 1115	DELAYED ENTRY: Ref item 36 & 38) 1/8 G.O. on recon	J S Bde D Co	dlw				
32 1120	this AM confirms 4 NVA KIA by D Co last night. DELAYED ENTRY: B Co Plt taken off alert at 1050H, this was the alert for the Bde commo conax refer item 12).	J S B Co	dlw				
33 1130	C Co medevac completed.	J S Bde	bw				
34 1133	A Cos 16 ele has returned to the A Co perimeter, they have their US KIA with them, via 827321.	J S Bde	bw				
35 1144	A 26 ele has closed their perimeter via 827321.	J S Bde	bw				
36 1159	Air strikes will go in via 808315 at 1530H.	J S A Co	bw				
37 1201	C Co reports they have NVA moving in the open to their NW via 839318, calling artillery at this time.	J S Bde	bw				
38 1202	Bde advises that air strike will go in via 822316 at 1215hrs.	J S A Co	jh				
39 1253	(Refer item 38) Air strike complete and a secondary one is on the way.	J S A Co	jh				
40 1300	Second air strike via 822316 is completed.	J S	jh				
41 1315	The aircraft putting in the air strike (reference item 40) received S/A fire, neg assessment. Also						
42 1316	A Co FO observed secondary explosions. B Co via 839318 observed movement vic of the air strike 822316.	J S Bde	jh				
43 1317	C Co found commo wire running northeast and south- west vic 841321.	J S	jh				
44 1325	D Co 16, 26 & 36 closed LZ SNAPPER.	J S Bde M	jh				
45 1327	An air strike will be going in via 822316.	J S A & C Co	jh				
46 1330	C Co via 841321 found 2 bags of rice, 1 new and 1 burned.	J S Bde	jh				
47 1355	D Co complete on LZ SNAPPER.	J S M Bde	jh				
48 1450	(Refer item 41) DELAYED ENTRY: A Co reports a secondary explosion was flowed by grenades and s/a ammo cooking off for about 10 mins.	J S	jh				
49 1451	A 16 ele via 827321 is moving toward vic 822321 (area of air strikes)	J S	jh				
50 1550	C Co (-) at objective via 851331.	J S	jh				
51 1550	C Co complete at objective via 851331.	J S	jh				
52 1630	New PO change sent to all companies.	J S all units	jh				
53 1730	A 16 via 822316 found one gasmask, NVA type, first aid packet and other misc medical supplies, a long whip antenna, 2 pr NVA boots, one uniform, 5 large batteries (similar to BA-386), flash light, 100 well fortified bunkers, several other types of equipment burned by napalm. Will search more on 10 Apr. Also found 8 NVA KIA by combination arty and air strikes.	J S Bde	jh				

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			09000	Apr 68	
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54	2000	Negative situation report	J S Bde		jh
55	2100	Negative situation report	J S Bde		rw
56	2105	At 1450H vic 817311 A 1/9 spotted 15-20 bunkers and fighting positions which show heavy recent use. An air strike has been called for.	J S		rw
57	2110	Final locations: A Co vic 827321; B Co LZ SNAPPER; C Co 851331; D Co LZ SNAPPER, 4 OPs south, southwest, north and northwest about 50meters out.	J S Bde		jh
		PDS: A Co 118-4-7; B Co 124-5-8; C Co 97-4-9; D Co 128-5-8	J S Bde		jh
58	2150	B Co on LZ SNAPPER reports four incoming arty rds near the perimeter on azi 220 ⁰ -224 ⁰ .	J S Bde		jh
59	2155	Negative situation report	J S Bde		jh
60	2255	Negative situation report	J S Bde		jh
61	2355	Negative situation report	J S Bde		jh
62	2400	SUMMARY of friendly and enemy casualties and POWS; A Co had 11 NVA KIAs and 1 US KIA, D Co had 4 NVA KIAs	J S		dlw
63	2400	Journal closed.	J S		jh

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