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Encl: (1) 2d Battalion, 9th Marines Command Chronology for the period of 1-31 October 1966.

1. In accordance with references (a) and (b), enclosure (1) is submitted.

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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. Designation/Location. 2d Battalion, 9th Marines (Operation Prairie) 1-31 October 1966
2. Period Covered by Report. 1-31 October 1966
3. Name/Rank of Commanding Officer and Staff Including T/O Billet Assignments.

Commanding Officer	LtCol J. J. HESS	1-31 October
Executive Officer	Maj F. A. KARKER	1-31 October
S-1	2dLt N. S. THOMAS	1-31 October
S-2	CWO C. R. MUNSON	1-31 October
S-3	Capt N. E. HENRY	1-31 October
S-4	2dLt J. G. MURPHY Jr.	1-31 October
Comm Officer	2dLt C. R. GRIFFIN Jr. 2dLt L. F. JONES	1-8 October 9-31 October
MT Officer	2d Lt J. G. MURPHY Jr.	1-31 October
Supply Officer	2d Lt R. L. MUMPER	1-31 October
Medical Officer	Lt S. L. MILLER	1-31 October
Chaplain	Lt J. T. COLLINS	1-31 October
Civil Affairs Officer	2dLt N. S. THOMAS	1-31 October
H&S Company	Capt J. D. HOLLABAUGH	1-31 October
Company E	Capt A. S. REYNOLDS	1-31 October
Company F	Capt W. H. ANDERSON	1-31 October
Company G	Capt W. B. CLARY	1-31 October
Company H	Capt R. F. JOHNSON	1-31 October

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S-1 CHRONOLOGY

1. General. The personnel situation suffered a serious set-back during operations conducted during the reporting period. The majority of the non-battle casualties depicted in paragraph 1b. below were for cellulitis and malaria. Incoming numbers of Corporals and below improved slightly but the battalion is still experiencing dire shortages of Staff NCO's in occupational field 03.

a. Strength. The average monthly strength for the period ending 31 October 1966 was as follows:

USMC		USN	
OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL
33	957	2	54

(1) Percentage of T/O Strength is .83%.

b. Losses

	USMC		USN	
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL
Battle	2	36	0	4
Non-Battle	1	204	0	0
Admin	2	20	0	10

(1) Of the battle casualties, 7 were KIA, none were DOW and 35 WIAs; 7 were transferred by S/R, 11 returned to duty and 17 still remain hospitalized.

(2) Of the 205 non-battle casualties, 8 were transferred by S/R and 28 still remain hospitalized; of the remainder, 73 returned to duty and 86 are on no duty in the battalion rear.

(3) 2 USMC Officers and 20 enlisted (plus 0 USN Officers and 10 enlisted) rotated to CONUS - transferred percentage is 3%.

c. Replacements. This command joined 1 USMC Officer, 136 enlisted plus 0 USN Officers and 15 enlisted as replacements during the reporting period. There remains a shortage in all 03 ranks, an average of 20 per rifle company.

d. Administration

(1) State of Morale. The state of morale is outstanding.

(2) Significant Activities or Personnel Services. None. Operational commitments precluded Special Services activities and made it necessary to turn in 114 quotas for R&R.

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(3) Promotions. There were 349 promotions during this reporting period. (2 to 1stLt, 1 to MSgt, 2 to GySgt, 4 to SSgt, 91 to Cpl, 232 to LCpl and 17 to PFC)

e. Discipline, Law and Order. There are 4 Special Court-Martials pending. There were no Article 32 UCMJ Investigations conducted during the reporting period.

f. Mail. Mail serivce continues to be good.

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S-2 CHRONOLOGY

1. General. On 1 October 1966, the 2d Battalion, 9th Marines deployed from Dong Ha to the vicinity of the Rock Pile (grid squares XD 9656, XD 9657, XD 9658 and XD 9558) to establish a blocking position. On 20 October 1966, the 2d Battalion, 9th Marines commenced search and destroy operations, as part of "Operation Prairie" and moved in a southwesterly direction. While deployed in the vicinity of Hill 492, (XD 923499) Companies E and F discovered what was described as an elaborate trail network (see Special Intelligence Report Appendix (2)) passing to the southwest of Hill 492 leading from the northeast to the southwest. The 2d Battalion, 9th Marines exploited this trail network resulting in one encounter with North Vietnamese Forces (NVA) (see paragraph 2 below).

a. Trafficability. The heavy October rains affected road and trail conditions immensely, limiting trafficability to that of foot and tracked vehicles. At times even tracked vehicles could not be moved.

b. Weather. The month of October brought about the advent of the Winter Monsoon season resulting in heavy rains and reduced visibility, which hampered air operations. A weather summary for the month of October is as follows:

Maximum temperature	94 degree
Minimum temperature	71 degree
Number of days with rain	25
Total rainfall received	19.14 inches
Average winds	NE 4-5 MPH
Visibility	4-5 miles

2. Enemy Situation. During this reporting period, documents discovered in the vicinity of Hill 492 (XD 923499) identified a 71st Regiment, an enemy unit not carried on current Order of Battle listings, however, no other documents or reports confirmed that this enemy unit was actually operating in the area. Throughout the conduct of the battalion's operations during October, only two actual encounters with North Vietnamese (NVA)/ Viet Cong forces occurred. The first encounter occurred on 020915H when Company G, 2d Battalion, 9th Marines observed 15-20 North Vietnamese (NVA) soldiers enter a cave at coordinates XD 967564. 106mm RR fire, 81mm mortars, tanks and aircraft directed fire at the enemy location resulting in six NVA KIA (Confirmed) and four NVA KIA (Probable). The second encounter occurred on 261245H October in the vicinity of Hill 715 in grid square XD 9447 resulting in six North Vietnamese (NVA) soldiers KIA (Confirmed). The NVA soldiers appeared to be well fed and in excellent physical condition (muscular). They were clothed in khaki uniforms and sneakers and all carried packs (no helmets noted) and automatic type weapons. Since no unit designation nor rank was apparent, it was believed that this NVA force was a re-supply element due to the large amount of ordnance (hand grenades and small arms ammunition) and medical supplies that was being carried.

The 2d Battalion, 9th Marines did not encounter any identified enemy units during this reporting period thus the only known enemy forces carried on the Order of Battle listing remained as the 803d North Vietnamese

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(NVA) Regiment and the 812th North Vietnamese (NVA) Regiment, both units components of the 324th Division. No actual encounters with these two regiments or elements thereof occurred.

3. Significant Events.

a. Trail Network. The discovery of the elaborate trail system as discussed in paragraph 1 and in Appendix 2 is significant in that it undoubtedly is utilized as a main thoroughfare for the movement of forces and supplies south from the DMZ.

b. VC Hospital Site. A 15-man enemy hospital site, complete with kitchen and housing facilities and protective shelters was discovered in the vicinity of grid square XD 9645. Significant was the fact that medical supplies, manufactured in the USSR and East Germany, were recovered from the site.

c. A cluster of 17 graves were discovered by Company H in the vicinity of grid square XD 9859 and opened for investigation. The graves contained bodies of dead NVA soldiers believed killed by air (TPQ) and artillery bombardment. These KIA will be reflected in paragraph 4 of this chronology.

4. NVA/Viet Cong Casulaties 1-31 October 1966

NVA/VC KIA (Confirmed)	29
NVA/VC KIA (Probable)	4
NVA/VC WIA (Probable)	0
NVA/VCS Apprehended	0

5. Enemy Fortifications Destroyed

Fighting Holes	16
Bunkers	41
Bomb Shelters	19
Observation Post	2
Thatched Huts (Harbor sites)	15
Thatched lean-to's (rest areas)	3

6. Enemy Equipment Destroyed/Captured

Chi Com grenades	41
Claymore mine	1
Rifles, KAB (Chi Com)	3
Rifle, Automatic	1
Machine Gun (Russian made)	1
Shell, 105mm (dud)	1
K-50 Machine Gun rounds	44
Rounds, Carbine, Cal .30 (m-1)	100
Rounds, K-50	500
Clips, KAB	3
TNT, sticks	5
Tennis shoes, pr.	5

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Field Radio (Walkie Talkie civilian)	1	
Shells, 82mm mortar	3	
Documents, misc	3	containers (sm)
Helmet	1	
Medical Supplies	2	containers
Uniforms NVA	6	
Cartridge belts	4	
Packs	6	
Ponchos (plastic)	5	
Shovel	1	
Pick	1	
Punji stakes	200	
Shells, 2.36 rocket	3	

7. NVA/VC Initiated Incidents

Mining	2
Small Unit Contacts	2
Mortar	0
Sniping	1

8. Sources of Intelligence. For the most part Marines (ground forces) continued to be the primary source of intelligence gathering.

9. Surveillance Devices. Since the 2d Battalion, 9th Marines was committed to mobile operations during this reporting period, no electronic surveillance devices were utilized.

10. Psychological Warfare. No pay war efforts were attempted during the month of October.

11. Item of Intelligence Interest. Animal life in the area of operations that could hamper or impede tactical operations are as follows: gorrillas, tigers, krait snakes, bamboo vipers and scorpions. Leeches are in abundance and a constant menace.

12. Comments and Conclusions.. The following comments and conclusions are based on observations made while conducting operations in proximity to the major trail network discussed in paragraph 1 and Appendix 2 of this chronology.

a. At one point along the trail, an element of this battalion discovered a basket lying along the trail with fresh, dry rice strewn in the area. It is believed that this carrier had either overhead or observed the approach of the Marines and discarded his load and made a hasty retreat to possibly warn other enemy troops of the presence of Marines. This courier could possibly have been attempting to re-supply an enemy unit (squad or platoon-sized) located at a unknown position some where north along the trail.

b. Since the North Vietnamese soldiers (NVA) encountered (see paragraph 2) were so heavy laden with medical supplies and ordnance and heading in a southerly direction, it is believed that this element, though small in size (6 men) was a re-supply detail. Interesting to note was the fact that not one carried any identification papers, documents, unit designation nor rank insignia. All six men appeared to be well-fed,

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muscular, well-clothed and in excellent health. Another conclusion that this party was a re-supply unit was the fact that one soldier was carrying three drums (round) of ammunition for a machine gun of which none of these six men were armed.

c. While in the vicinity of Hill 492 three separate containers of miscellaneous documents (2 small suit cases or valises and one saddle bag-type container) were discovered in thatched huts in the area. Since so many documents were recovered in the same area the conclusion can be drawn that Hill 492 could have been the collecting point of all papers and documents carried by individuals in the vicinity of Hill 492 or to the southwest to prevent capture by opposing forces.

d. There was no indication on the trail of any major unit traffic, as a large unit (company/battalion) would have chewed the trail up considerably as evidenced by the movement of this battalion. All movement along this trail by enemy forces most likely was of small units and conducted primarily during the dry season, since a small unit, not to exceed a platoon could have traversed the trail without too extensive damage.

e. Of all villages and way stations observed along the route, indications of recent occupancy were scarce. The areas, for the most part, were clean with no signs of ground trampling. This indicates that if the areas were utilized as rest areas, strict discipline was enforced. The only area discovered with positive signs of recent occupancy and which had been abandoned hurriedly was that of the hospital site (see paragraph 3b). At the hospital site, documents recovered indicated occupancy as early as two days prior to it's discovery. Cartridge traps were also recovered indicating that the patients were given the tasks of making them to keep them occupied. No indication was found as to when, where or how the enemy forces vacated the site nor was the direction of movement indicated. Possibly the enemy melded deeper into the dense jungle, taking with them only what they could carry as evident by a large cache of abandoned medical supplies. A 120mm mortar ammunition box was also discovered at the hospital site which was utilized as a pig-pen watering trough. No indication of a mortar position was noted. Several 100 kilo rice bags and chicken nests discovered in the area gave the impression that the site had been a permanent installation.

f. Several way stations were discovered along the trail dispersed in such a manner that the conclusion can be drawn that the area could accomodate an enemy force of possibly two platoons though once again no signs of recent occupancy were noted.

g. In two of the village areas a large amount of corn cobs were noted which could possibly indicate an acute shortage of rice supply.

h. Many large gourds of assorted, unidentified seed was found in one village area. These seeds could have been intended to supplement the current shortage of food stock. The actual identification and purpose of the seed could not be determined.

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i. Along the trail many bare foot prints were noted which could possibly have indicated a shortage, to a degree, of shoes in the enemy ranks. Of those tennis-type shoes discovered, the soles did not appear as worn as did the tops. Since the shoes were worn and torn on the top of the toes, the conclusion can be drawn that these troops were used to shimmy up trees to a possible observation post. The soles of the shoes gave little signs of use.

j. Many fresh cut, green bamboo poles were scattered along the trail indicating new construction or reinforcement of portions of the trail was being contemplated. Many of the handrails appeared green and freshly cut. This construction indicates that the trail is used extensively by the enemy. Protective holes, all along the trail measured at an average of 2x4x5 feet in depth. Some of these holes appeared freshly dug while some had aged fronds others had fresh, green camouflage. Some of the holes contained bamboo sidings to prevent wash-outs or cave-ins.

k. At one point along the trail, in one of the villages, a rice bag containing a picture of two hands clasping (CARE) was found. This bag was found in an area previously occupied by enemy forces as indicated by documents and equipment discovered. The conclusion can be drawn of the possible subverting of AID supplies intended for Montagnard families.

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S-3 CHRONOLOGY

1. General. During the past month the 2d Battalion, 9th Marines completed its move from Phu Bai to Dong Ha, participated in Operation Prairie and continued to train replacement personnel. At 0800 on 17 October operational control of the 2d Battalion, 9th Marines shifted from the 4th Marines to the 3d Marines. Administrative control remained with 9th Marines.

2. Movement to Dong Ha. On 1 October the 2d Battalion, 9th Marines completed its displacement when Company "F" and Command Group Bravo closed on the Dong Ha complex via Rough Rider convoy from Phu Bai.

3. Operation Prairie. On 1 October the battalion commenced motor convoys to the vicinity of the Rock Pile and relieved the 1st Battalion, 4th Marines for the responsibility of the area of operation in that vicinity. During the period 1-20 October the battalion conducted company and battalion minus size search and destroy operations in the Rock Pile area of operations. In addition to these operations the 2d Battalion, 9th Marines supported the 3d Battalion, 4th Marines by fire as it secured enemy objectives in the vicinity of Hill 484.

On 20 October Companies E and F with Command Group Alpha commenced a search and destroy operation to Hill 492 (XD 9249). After moving through jungle terrain for two days with negative enemy contact this battalion minus force was helilifted from the vicinity XD 9453 to Hill 492. As this operation was conducted Companies G and H with Command Group Bravo continued to conduct aggressive patrol and ambush activities in the vicinity of the Rock Pile.

On 24 October Companies G and H with Command Group Bravo were helilifted from the Rock Pile to Hill 492 after being relieved in place by elements of the 3d Battalion, 4th Marines. Once arriving on Hill 492 this force was immediately sent to the north to explore a well concealed trail believed to be a NVA aggress route into South Vietnam. The force returned on 25th of October and the entire battalion prepared to move south along the same trail.

On the 26th of October the battalion commenced a search and destroy operation south along this main NVA trail. The operation terminated at a Montagnard village on the Song Quang Tri (XD 9843) at 1700 on 29 October. Only one enemy contact was made during this period and this occurred on the 26th when an estimated NVA platoon was caught between F and G Companies (See S-2 Chronology).

The battalion moved east along National Route 9 to an ARVN outpost and were helilifted to Camp J. J. CARROLL (YD 0654) on 30 October. Once arriving at Camp CARROLL the 2d Battalion, 9th Marines prepared to relieve the 3d Battalion, 4th Marines of its area of operation and camp security on 2 November.

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Since its arrival in RVN Operation Prairie afforded the first opportunity for the battalion to conduct offensive operations on a battalion level. In addition both the 106RR and 81mm mortar platoons were employed for the first time in general support of the battalion.

4. Training. Operation committments precluded formal military training during October, however, replacement personnel did receive training required by higher directives prior to assignment within the battalion.

5. Vistors. During this period the battalion was visited by the following personnel:

Major General W. B. KYLE, Commanding General, 3d Marine Division
Brigadier General L. E. ENGLISH, Assistant Division Commander, 3d MarDiv
Colonel A. D. CEREGHINO, Commanding Officer, 4th Marine Regiment
Colonel E. E. HAMMERBECK, Commanding Officer, 3rd Marine Regiment

6. Fire Support and Fire Support Coordination

a. During the period 1-31 October, while operating in the Operation Prairie area, 2d Battalion, 9th Marines was provided artillery support by the following units: "E" 2/12, direct support (14-31 Oct); "I" 3/12 reinforcing;"M" 4/12, general support; 2d Bn, 94th Arty, general support reinforcing Utilization of artillery in support of operations consisted of 7 missions fired on targets of opportunity, 19 concentration-registrations, 57 prep fires, illumination missions and 827 H&I concentrations, expending a total of 5679 rounds.

b. During the period the 81mm mortar platoon fired 4501 rounds in support of operations, broken down as follows: 3791 HE, 560 WP and 150 illumination.

c. On 20 October "E" 2/12 displaced forward with 2 platoons to support the battalion's search and destroy operation from 20-29 October, where they fired 1 mission on a target of opportunity, 11 prep fire missions and numerous H&I's.

d. During the period 1-16 October while under OPCON 4th Marines, Fire Support Coordination Policies remained unchanged from the preceding period.

e. During the period 17-31 October while under OPCON 3rd Marines, Fire Support Coordination Policies were changed somewhat. The SAVAPLANE was dispensed with so that air and artillery coordination must be effected by aircraft checking in by radio before entering each TAOR. For artillery fire missions Battalion FSCC provides clearances for troop safety while Regimental FSCC provides clearance for aircraft safety, hence Regimental FSCC has final clearance on all missions.

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7. Air Support

a. Med Evac Missions. A total of 62 separate med evac missions were flown to transport 201 NBC, 35 WIA and 7 KIA to rear areas. This required 8-UH-34's, 6-HU-1E's and 16-CH-46's.

b. Logistics Missions. 272 helicopter trips moved 584,000 lbs.

c. Trooplift Missions. 115 trips moved 1460 troops during the month.

d. Observation/Reconnaissance Missions. 22 OE aircraft flew a total of 40 hours of observation for 2d Battalion, 9th Marines while 16 HU-1E aircraft carried the unit commander and his staff on 8 recon flights.

e. Air Strikes. Two close air support missions were called. One was at the Rock Pile and ground controlled. The other occurred on the trail south and required the use of a TACA. An additional 993 targets were submitted for TPQ-10 radar control bombing. Approximately 450,000 pounds of GP ordnance was expended on these targets.

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S-4 CHRONOLOGY

1. General. During the month of October the entire battalion was committed to the field with the exception of a small administrative group and most of the supply staff which remained in Dong Ha. The battalion was supported during this period by the Logistical Support Activity in Dong Ha. This unit provided excellent support for the battalion while it was operating in the field, resupply being effected entirely by helicopter lifts. During this 31 day period much valuable data was compiled concerning the overall logistical support required to supply a battalion on field operations.

2. Resupply. Over 584,000 lbs of Class I through V was delivered during the period covered. Two hundred and seventy two helicopter sorties of supplies were flown in and medical evacuations performed.

a. Class I.

(1) "C" Rations - 6900 cases
(2) Water - 6000 5 gallon cans

b. Class II. No record was kept of Class II expenditure but certain trends were noted. There was a great demand for articles of clothing such as utility trousers and cushion soled socks. This was due largely to the rugged terrain and inclement weather conditions. Certain items of 782 gear were in great demand such as head bands, canteens, canteen covers, rifle magazines, rifle slings, and entrenching tools. Battalion Supply experienced a critical shortage of these items which eventually led to pulling of 782 gear from the troops in the rear to support the troops in the field. There were many recurring demands for such items as compasses, watches, air matresses which, were they available, would have greatly added to the comfort of the troops during the heavy rains.

c. Class III

(1) During this period the battalion used 10 55 gallon drums of diesel and 12 55 gallon drums of gasoline to supply supporting tanks and ontos as well as the 10 organic M274A-1 mules which the battalion employed for 20 of the 31 days.

d. Class IV. Very little Class IV was utilized. 200 rolls of barbed wire were set in draws and various avenues of approach. 5,000 sand bags were utilized for fortifying bunkers and fighting holes. 81 mm mortars used the majority of these sand bags for their mortar pits.

e. Class V

(1) Under 3,000 rounds of 7.62 ball and linked ammunition was expended. 60mm mortar expenditure was very limited also, under 200 rounds fired due primarily to unsatisfactory ammunition.

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(2) 81mm mortars expended a total of 3792 HE rounds, 560 WP rounds, and 150 illumination rounds.

(3) 106 recoilless rifle expenditures were as follows:

HEAT 680 rounds, HEP-T 562 rounds, 50 cal. spotters 1753 rounds.

(4) Ontos expenditures consisted of:

HEAT 421 rounds, HEP-T 178 rounds.

(5) Tanks expended the following:

WP 18 rounds, HEAT 118 rounds, cannister 42 rounds.

Most of the above ammunition was expended for H&I fires.

During the period covered the battalions mules proved themselves invaluable in aiding the companies to haul gear from the LZ to their areas. They moved even under the most adverse road conditions. Helicopter resupply was excellent, however, poor weather conditions toward the end of the month, and the lack of LZ's greatly reduced their effectiveness in the highly mountainous terrain.

The helicopter support teams sent from LSA in Dong Ha did excellent jobs in controlling the LZ and aiding in the resupply lifts. The engineers attached to the battalion during the operation should be commended for their outstanding work. Four engineers were attached initially remaining with the battalion until the 23rd of the month when an additional 8 engineers joined the battalion. During the time they were attached to the battalion they utilized 400 lbs. of demolitions blasting LZ's out of the thick jungle canopy for emergency med evacs and resupply sorties. They destroyed several enemy installations and fortified positions denying their further use to the Viet Cong.

Several items were note worthy during the operation. The heavy rains and subsequent dampness took its toll on much of our 782 gear, leather boots and holsters. There was a constant need of lube oil for weapons to prevent the ever present problem of rust and corrosion. Some incidents of jungle boots losing heels or soles was noted. These boots were relatively new.

Some personal observations noted were that each battalion operating in a mountainous tropical region with a thick jungle canopy should be supplied with (2) double edged axes, toggle ropes, machetes and light weight gloves like those used for rapelling to prevent cuts and abrasions from the vegetation in the area and thus greatly reduce infection. Flash lights with red lenses, fully waterproofed, are essential to black out operations and an ample supply should be carried to the field. Sundry packs were a great morale boost to the troops providing the minimum necessities such as toilet accessories and the additional packages such as candy and tobacco. It was necessary to order "C" rations specifically requesting heat with them if so desired. While the battalion was operating it was an unnecessary inconveinence to order heat separately for each case of

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"C" rations. Each box of "C" rations should be supplied with heat. There were no malfunctions of any of the battalions T/O weapons. The wooden stocks began to swell a bit on the M-14 rifles but this was only a minor problem and easily remedied.

Due to the tremendous drain on battalion supply during this period the overall logistical situation is fair to poor. Many of the Class II items mentioned above as critical in the field are no longer in stock in the rear.

Motor Transport has six mules (M274A-1) deadlined for engine failures. Two M-422A-1 mites are deadlined for a throwout bearing and transmission. During the next few weeks the battalion plans to devote its maintenance effort to the vehicles which were committed to the field.

3. Camp Development. N/A

4. Operations. The battalion was in the field during the month of October after the move was completed to Dong Ha. On the 1st of the month the battalion moved to Dong Ha was completed with movement of the last rifle company from Phu Bai utilizing 15 trucks and carrying 200 troops. The second troop movement on the 1st of the month was completed from Dong Ha to the Rock Pile in which 920 troops were convoyed in 30 trucks. Total truck committment for the movement mentioned above was 45 trucks carrying 1070 troops and equipment. There were 3 movements by helicopter moving 1460 troops.

5. Troop Movements

a. Troop movements by truck

(1) Movement from Phu Bai to Dong Ha (Administrative)
- a. Number of trucks - 15
- b. Number of troops - 200
- c. Number of lifts - 1

(2) Troop movements from Dong Ha to the Rock Pile (Tactical)
- a. Number of trucks - 30
- b. Number of troops - 920
- c. Number of lifts - 1

b. Troop movement by helicopter (Tactical)

(1) Number of helicopters - 115
(2) Number of troops - 1460
(3) Number of lifts - 3

6. Logistical lifts by helicopter (Tactical)

a. Number of helicopters - 272
b. Number of lifts - 136
c. Estimated weight - 584,000 lbs

6. Evacuation by helicopter (Tactical)

a. Number of helicopters - 70
b. Number of lifts - 35
c. Number of evacuees - 205

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COMMUNICATION CHRONOLOGY

1. General. The Communications Platoon furnished radio, wire, and message center services to the battalion during the month of October 1966. Maintenance support was given the battalion, rifle companies, tanks, ontos and artillery liaison team in the field.

2. Support. The companies of this battalion and two command groups were supported during operations in the field. The 4th Marine Regiment was supported with two message center men. The 3rd Anti-tank Battalion was supported with the loan of a radio set AN/PRC-25.

3. Rough Riders. Communications for convoy control and a FAC team from Dong Ha to the dismount point (Rock Pile) were furnished during the month.

4. VIP Communications. Communications and transportation were furnished for Secretary of Defense, CNO, Commanding General 3rd MAF, Command General 3rd Marine Division during their visits to the Dong Ha area.

5. Prairie. During the initial phase of operations this month at the Rock Pile, there were no major communication problems. It is noted however that the battalion was on high ground, creating an ideal communications situation. The 3rd Marine Regiment installed a radio relay shot (AN/TRC-27) on top of the Rock Pile and telephone communication was established from the Rock Pile to most units as far south as Da Nang. The wire from the top of the Rock Pile (radio relay shot) to a switch board was laid by helicopter. The laying of the wire in this manner proved to be efficient.

During the later phase of this month's operations conditions changed and numerous problems arose. The battalion moved into mountainous terrain covered with a tropical rain forest. The only communications was radio and this proved to be difficult. Due to the low canopy tape antennas were all that could be used on the march. To reach the 3rd Marine Regiment it required using a relay station atop the Rock Pile. However, communications were maintained during the entire operation.

6. Losses. The communications platoon experienced the destruction (by gunfire) of one radio set AN/PRC-25, one hand set, and a tape antenna. This was lost by "F" Company in a fire fight on the 27th of October. There were several other hand sets and tape antennas lost due to the monsoons and low hanging canopy.

7. Difficulties. Extremely mountainous terrain, wet weather, (monsoons) and operating in a tropical rain forest, caused difficulties in the communications and maintenance of equipment; ie, tape antennas came apart at the rivets and the tape antenna bases split at the seams. This was apparently due to the low canopy constantly tearing at the whole assembly. The handsets H-138 were a constant source of trouble due mostly to their inability to with stand moisture. Even water proofed in a plastic bag they proved unable to withstand day to day use under these conditions. Another problem noted was water under the audio connectors on the handsets. This caused a constant keying of the set and was at times both difficult in its use and in trying to locate the set being keyed. Unsatisfactory equipment reports are pending on the items mentioned in this paragraph.

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MEDICAL CHRONOLOGY

1. General. During the month of October, the BAS and personnel held military sick call for 1,442 Marines and have seen and treated 47 Vietnamese civilians.

2. Sanitation

a. Routine sanitation inspections of the rear battalion area was conducted on a weekly basis with reports submitted to the Commanding Officer.

b. In the forward area, head and latrine facilities consisted of slit trenches built up with ammunition boxes and urinals were constructed from ammunition tubes. These were burned and sprayed with insecticide on a daily basis. Centralized pits were utilized for the burning of trash. Repellents were used by personnel for protection against mosquitoes and other insects. Rat traps were available for rodents. There were two snakes killed in the forward area. One was sent to E-Medical in Dong Ha and identified as a banded krait. The other was of the Bamboo variety. There were no incidents of snake bite. There were several scorpions and centipedes found, but only two centipede stings were sustained by Marine personnel. These stings were of a minor nature and the patients were treated symptomatically. A fogging machine was located in the forward area for use in the control of mosquitoes. Insecticede used was concentrated melathion. The machine was virtually of no use however. It was only operable on three occasions and then for only short periods of time. Continued maintenance of urinals and heads, plus daily burnings of trach ensured a clean and sanitary camp. It is suggested that a machine with less mechanical failure be provided in semi-permanent forward areas for use in the control of mosquitoes and other insects.

3. Diseases, Injuries and Treatments in General

a. Approximately 75% of patients treated at routine sick call was performed in the field at the forward area.

b. There was 205 non-battle medical evacuations during the month. Nearly 80% non-battle med-evacs were bacterial type infections of upper and lower extremities and were caused by staphlococcal and streptococcal organisms after the individual had sustained a break in the skin. Almost all foot infections were caused by wet boots rubbing the skin raw. Those of the upper extremities were caused primarily by minor lacerations from elephant grass. Cellulitis occurred in many instances. An average of five days of treatment in the rear using procainepenicillin, hot soaks, bacitracin and neomycin ointment and immobilization was necessary to correct these problems. Due to severe field conditions, proper treatment could not be rendered in the forward area.

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c. There were several cases of fevers of undetermined origin in the field. The duration of these fevers was 24-36 hours. Treatment consisted primarily of ASA and forced fluids with quick response from the patients. Personnel with high temperatures not responding to ASA and fluids were given cold water sponges and sometimes complete cold water submersion to reduce the temperature. This was successful in all cases.

d. Twenty-two cases of confirmed malaria were reported during the month. The falciparxum strain is primarily that contracted in the Republic of Vietnam. The enforcement of weekly and sometimes bi-weekly Primaquine and Chloroquine tablets as a prophyaxis against malaria plus liberal applications of insectcide greatly decreased the incident rate. The battalion had been taken bi-weekly dosages of the Primaquine and Chloroquine tablets for six weeks, then after the second week in the forward area, the dosage was decreased to once per week on the advice of medical officers from the Preventive Medicine Unit in Da Nang. Results of two tablets per week versus one were not controlled and no conclusion can be offered as to the two tablets per week effectiveness.

e. There was an extremely low incident rate of upper respiratory tract infections even though adverse weather conditions were present at all times. No definite conclusion can be drawn.

4. Medical Evacuations

a. There was no problem in the evacuation of patients from a semi-permanent area where a fixed landing zone was in effect. However, on two separate occasions while in dense jungle terrain, the evacuation of patients was impossible for a period of 24 hours. This was due to inclimate weather conditions, plus engineering problems imposed by dense jungle growth before an adequate landing zone could be established. On 26 October when several casualties were inflicted during enemy action, the terrain was such that several hours lapsed before the patients could be transported to a helicopter landing zone. Engineers then had to clear the area with demolitions to permit helicopters to hover, pick up, and evacuate the wounded. Weather conditions were such that almost 24 hours transpired between the time of action and actual evacuation. The efforts extended by the Marines, plus that of the Navy hospital corpsmen attending the patients was commendable.

5. Casualties and Hospitalization

a. There were 70 Marines hospitalized during the month of October, 8 Marines were killed during the month - 7 were a result of direct enemy action and one a result of a short 81mm round. There were 43 WIA's during the month. Of those patients hospitalized, 34 were WIA's, 22 a result of malaria, 2 dental conditions, 1 immersion foot, 1 strain, 1 herniorraphy, and 9 viral syndromes. Injuries sustained by the KIA's were multiple and of such nature that medical aid was of no avail.

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6. Effects of Field Rations

a. There were no ill effects from prolonged usage of C-rations in the field. Two days of no rations due to inclimate weather preventing re-supply by helicopters produced no ill effects or Hypoglycemic collapse.

7. Hygiene and Medical Discussions

a. Due to battalion size operational conditions, only informal discussions on personal hygiene and battle-field first aid was accomplished within the company areas.

8. Health and Service Records

a. Routine maintenance of health and service records was accomplished at the rear area. Approximately 150 immunizations were administered. Due to operational conditions, routine physical examinations were deferred.

9. Compliment of BAS

a. At the close of the month, the BAS had a compliment of 54 corpsmen. Of these, 7 are P.O.'s. There are 32 corpsmen attached to line companies. Eleven corpsmen were joined for duty and 10 were transferred by PCS orders.

10. Conclusion and Recommendations

a. During the month of October, the BAS personnel were split into two groups. Six corpsmen were with the forward elements. This number is considered to be sufficient for field needs. The other hospital corpsmen were in the rear area handling mostly administrative matters. They also were utilized as replacements for company corpsmen that were wounded and required medical evacuation. The medical officer was present in the field for a period of six days. Due to limited supplies and equipment available in the field however and since most medical evacuations are accomplished in a short period of time, it is felt that medical officers can be better utilized in rear areas where the patients are evacuated to.

b. It was noted during the 31 day period that many personnel required temporary fillings and sometimes medical evacuation to correct severe dental conditions. It is felt that if all personnel had been properly screened prior to departure from CONUS, these problems would not have existed. A more strict screening of troops being sent to the Republic of Vietnam should be initiated by all CONUS commands. The existing dental facilities in most locales in Vietnam are not adequate to handle the number of cases existing.

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c. Approximately 50 new personnel were joined in the battalion just prior to a forced march. Six were classified as heat casualties the first day. Perhaps it would help these personnel if short periods of strenous activities were initiated on their arrival in Vietnam to acclimate them to the weather and conditions to be found in this country.

d. All the patients evacuated from the jungle were helilifted by the helicopters hovering and using slings. Further injuries could definately have been caused to three of the patients by this type evacuation. There was no alternative at that time however, due to existing conditions. It is felt however, that if stokes stretchers could have been provided, less chance of further injury to certain type patients would result.

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CHAPLAIN CHRONOLOGY

1. General. During the month of October the Chaplain held 32 Protestant Divine Services. Since the Battalion was in the field and on the move during most of the time covered by this report, the services were held in a variety of locations. A total in excess of 930 Marines attended the worship services. Communion was observed and received by 260 men.

One of the unforgetable events to take place was a baptismal service in which five men were baptized. Since the battalion was then located at the Rock Pile it was necessary to take a rifle platoon to the nearest mountain stream to provide security for the service. The men were baptized by emmersion and each will receive a certificate from the Chaplain. The Chaplain seeks to affiliate each man with a church back in the USA.

Layleader response has been good in each company and the program is beginning to take shape. Four layleader services were held with a total of 68 men present. Back with the rear unit in Dong Ha a Bible Study Class was held three nights a week with a total of 54 men becoming involved.

The Chaplain distributed religious literature and rosaries to the men and received confirmation from "The Upper Room" publishing house that we can receive all the religious literature we desire at no charge. This is made possible through the donations of the folks back home.

The spiritual attitude of the men of 2/9 was exceptionally high and the Chaplain had many opportunties to counsel with the Marines in the field. At least 75 personal interviews were held.

Catholic services were provided by the Regimental Chaplain who came out to the battalions positions when weather conditions permitted. Because monsoon weather conditions prevented the helo's from flying the Catholic padre was unable to make it as often as we would have desired him to visit.

When the battalion moved out the Chaplain and his assistant were along for the operation, and it proved to be a valuable experience. It gave added opportunity to assist the men of 2/9. Following the contact with the enemy the Chaplain hald prayers for the dead and comfort to the wounded. Our wounded men gave evidence of great faith and courage through the night - as they were unable to be evacuated until the following day.

During the month the Chaplain made a trip to the USS Repose to visit the wounded. Most of the men were getting along well and it is encouraging to note that one Marines who had tripped a mine, would be able to keep both legs. The Chaplains aboard the USS Repose do a great job.

Memorial Services have been arranged for all who were killed during this 31 day period.

Ten more state flags were received to be used at a future time when the battalion becomes more permanent.

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	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	LOCATION
H&SCo	15	[illegible]	2	[illegible]	2	20	0	7	[illegible]
"E"Co	4	150	0	0	0	12	0	0	0
"F"Co	5	162	0	0	0	11	0	0	0
"G"Co	4	152	0	0	0	15	0	0	0
"H"Co	5	152	0	0	0	16	0	0	0
TOTAL	33	[illegible]	0	[illegible]	2	74	0	7	

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	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	LOCATION
H&SCo	15	306	2	50	2	19	0	0	[illegible]
"E"Co	4	158	0	0	0	11	0	0	[illegible]
"F"Co	5	161	0	0	0	10	0	0	[illegible]
"G"Co	8	151	0	0	[illegible]	12	0	0	[illegible]
"H"Co	6	158	0	0	0	16	0	0	[illegible]
TOTAL	33	934	2	50	2	68	0	6	

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	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	LOCATION
H&SCo	15	576	2	59	2	23	0	3	[illegible]
"E"Co	4	153	0	0	0	9	0	0	"
"F"Co	5	161	0	0	0	11	0	0	"
"G"Co	4	151	0	0	0	13	0	0	"
"H"Co	5	150	0	0	0	11	0	0	"
TOTAL	33	934	2	59	2	67	0	3	

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	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	LOCATION
H&SCo	16	306	2	54	2	21	0	6	[illegible]
"E"Co	4	158	0	[illegible]	0	9	0	[illegible]	"
"F"Co	5	161	0	0	[illegible]	1[illegible]	0	0	"
"G"Co	4	151	[illegible]		0	14	[illegible]	0	"
"H"Co	5	158	0	0	0	14	0	0	"
TOTAL	34	934	2	54	2	68	0	6	

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H&SCo	[illegible]	[illegible]	2	[illegible]	2	22	0	[illegible]	[illegible]
"E"Co	4	[illegible]	0		0	9	0	0	[illegible]
"F"Co	5	160	0	[illegible]	0	9	0	0	[illegible]
"G"Co	4	151	0	[illegible]	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	0	[illegible]
"H"Co	[illegible]	157	[illegible]	[illegible]	0	13	[illegible]	0	[illegible]
TOTAL	[illegible]	931	2	[illegible]	2	67	0	0	

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	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	LOCATION
H&SCo	~~15~~ 16	3[illegible]6	2	[illegible]	2	23	0	5	[redacted]
"E"Co	4	158	0	6	0	8	0	0	"
"F"Co	5	157	0	[illegible]	1	16	[illegible]	0	"
"G"Co	4	151	0	0	0	16	1	0	"
"H"Co	5	157	0	0	0	12	0	0	"
TOTAL	~~28~~ 34	929	2	54	3	75	0	5	

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	USMC		USN		USMC		USN		
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	LOCATION
H&SCo	16	107	2	13	2	23	0	4	[illegible]
"E"Co	4	157	0	0	0	9	0	0	"
"F"Co	5	156	0	0	1	15	0	0	"
"G"Co	4	149	0	0	0	14	0	0	"
"H"Co	5	157	0	0	0	13	0	0	"
TOTAL	34	926	2	13	3	74	0	4	

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H&SCo	16	923	2	53	2	21	0	4	Camp Le
"E"Co	4	157	0	0	0	7	0	0	"
"F"Co	5	155	0	0	1	14	0	0	"
"G"Co	4	160	0	0	0	11	0	0	"
"H"Co	5	156	0	0	0	12	0	0	"
TOTAL	34	923	2	53	3	65	0	4	

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	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	LOCATION
H&SCo	15	~~300~~ 307	2	53	1	19	0	4	[illegible]
"E"Co	4	157	0	0	0	7	0	0	"
"F"Co	5	155	0	0	1	13	0	0	"
"G"Co	4	148	0		0	10	0	0	"
"H"Co	5	154	0	0	0	11	0	0	"
TOTAL	33	~~922~~ 921	2	53	2	60	0	4	

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From: Commanding Officer
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H&SCo	15	[illegible]	2	[illegible]	1	2	[illegible]	4	[illegible]
"E"Co	4	157	0		0	7	0	0	"
"F"Co	5	154	0	[illegible]	1	10	0	0	"
"G"Co	4	148	0	[illegible]	1	6	0	0	"
"H"Co	2	154	0	[illegible]	0	12	0	0	"
TOTAL	33	919	2	95	3	55	0	4	

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	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	LOCATION
H&SCo	15	306	2	55	1	21	0	4	Dong Ha
"E"Co	4	157	0	0	0	7	0	0	"
"F"Co	5	154	0	0	1	10	0	0	"
"G"Co	4	148	0	0	1	7	0	0	"
"H"Co	5	154	2	0	0	12	0	0	"
TOTAL	33	919	2	55	3	57	0	4	

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	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	LOCATION
H&SCo	15	317	2	[illegible]	2	21	0	0	[illegible]
"E"Co	4	156	0	0	0	6	0	0	[illegible]
"F"Co	5	154	0	[illegible]	1	10	[illegible]	0	
"G"Co	4	147	0	0	1	6	0	0	[illegible]
"H"Co	2	134	0	2	2	11	0	0	
TOTAL	30	915	2	15	4	56	0	[illegible]	

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	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	LOCATION
H&SCo	14	307	2	55	1	18	[illegible]	5	[illegible]
"E"Co	4	156	0	0	0	6	0	0	"
"F"Co	5	152	0	0	1	7	0	[illegible]	"
"G"Co	4	153	0	[illegible]	1	7	0	0	"
"H"Co	5	154	0	0	0	[illegible]	0	0	"
TOTAL	32	922	2	55	3	48	0	5	

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H&SCo	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]
"E"Co	[redacted]	[redacted]	0	0	0	7	0	0	
"F"Co	5	[redacted]	0	0	[redacted]	[redacted]	0		
"G"Co	[redacted]	[redacted]	0		[redacted]	[redacted]	0	[redacted]	
"H"Co	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	
TOTAL	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	0	[redacted]	

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	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	LOCATION
H&SC	1[illegible]	307	2	5[illegible]	2	16	0	5	[illegible]
"E"Co	4	1[illegible]6	0	[illegible]	0	8	0	0	[illegible]
"F"Co	5	1[illegible]2	0	[illegible]	1	10	0	0	[illegible]
"G"Co	4	152	0	[illegible]	1	[illegible]	0	0	[illegible]
"H"Co	5	154	0	[illegible]	0	7	0	0	[illegible]
TOTAL	32	921	2	[illegible]4	4	49	0	5	

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HEADQUARTERS
2d Battalion, 9th Marines
3d Marine Division (Rein) FMF
FPO, San Francisco, California, 96602

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17 Oct 1966
(Date)

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 9th Marines

Subj: Personnel Weekly Summary

1. The below information is correct for period ending 2400, 16 Oct 1966

	ON HAND STRENGTH				NON-EFFECTIVES				
	USMC		USN		USMC		USN		
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	LOCATION
H&SCo	14	307	2	54	0	17	0	5	Dong Ha
"E"Co	4	156	[illegible]	0	0	9	0	0	"
"F"Co	5	152	0	0	1	11	0	0	"
"G"Co	4	152	0	0	1	8	0	0	"
"H"Co	5	153	0	0	0	7	0	0	"
TOTAL	32	920	2	54	2	52	0	5	

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HEADQUARTERS
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3d Marine Division (Rein) F F
FPO, San Francisco, California, 96602

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18 Oct 1966
(Date)

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 9th Marines

Subj: Personnel Weekly Summary

1. The below information is correct for period ending 2400, 17 Oct 1966

	ON HAND STRENGTH				NON-EFFECTIVES				
	USMC		USN		USMC		USN		
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	LOCATION
H&SC	14	307	2	53	0	15	0	5	Dong Ha
"E"Co	4	156	0	0	0	11	0	0	"
"F"Co	5	157	0	0	1	11	0	0	"
"G"Co	4	147	0	0	1	8	0	0	"
"H"Co	5	153	0	0	0	7	0	0	"
TOTAL	32	920	2	53	2	52	0	5	

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2d Battalion, 9th Marines
3d Marine Division (Rein) F F
FPO, San Francisco, California, 96602

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(Date)

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 9th Marines

Subj: Personnel Weekly Summary

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	ON HAND STRENGTH				NON-EFFECTIVES				
	USMC		USN		USMC		USN		
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	LOCATION
H&SCo	14	[illegible]	2	53	0	15	0	1	[illegible]
"E"Co	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	0	0	14	[illegible]	2	[illegible]
"F"Co	5	[illegible]	0	0	1	11	[illegible]	2	[illegible]
"G"Co	4	[illegible]	0	0	1	7	0	0	[illegible]
"H"Co	5	12	0	0	0	1	0	0	
TOTAL	[illegible]	[illegible]	2	53	2	[illegible]	0	5	

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 9th Marines

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	ON HAND STRENGTH				NON-EFFECTIVES				
	USMC		USN		USMC		USN		
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	LOCATION
H&SCo	14	[illegible]	2	53	0	15	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
"E"Co	4	1[illegible]	[illegible]	0	[illegible]	14	0	[illegible]	*
"F"Co	5	1[illegible]	[illegible]	3	1	11	0	[illegible]	*
"G"Co	4	1[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1	7	[illegible]	[illegible]	*
"H"Co	[illegible]	1[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	10	[illegible]	[illegible]	*
TOTAL	32	[illegible]	[illegible]	53	2	57	[illegible]	4	

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FPO, San Francisco, California, 96602

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21 Oct 1966
(Date)

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 9th Marines

Subj: Personnel Weekly Summary

1. The below information is correct for period ending 2400, 20 Oct 1966

	ON HAND STRENGTH				NON-EFFECTIVES				
	USMC		USN		USMC		USN		
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	LOCATION
H&SCo	14	397	2	53	0	13	0	5	Dong Ha
"E"Co	4	166	0	0	0	15	0	0	"
"F"Co	5	161	0	0	1	11	0	0	"
"G"Co	4	161	0	0	1	7	0	0	"
"H"Co	5	161	0	0	0	9	0	0	"
TOTAL	32	956	2	53	2	55	0	5	

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2d Battalion, 9th Marines
3d Marine Division (Rein) F F
FPO, San Francisco, California, 96602

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~~22 Oct 1966~~
(Date)

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 9th Marines

Subj: Personnel Weekly Summary

1. The below information is correct for period ending 2400, ~~21 Oct 1966~~

	ON HAND STRENGTH				NON-EFFECTIVES				
	USMC		USN		USMC		USN		
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	LOCATION
H&SCo	14	315	2	53	0	16	0	1	Dong Ha
"E"Co	4	1[illegible]	0	0	0	13	0	0	"
"F"Co	5	1[illegible]	0	0	1	10	0	0	"
"G"Co	4	1[illegible]	0	0	1	7	0	0	"
"H"Co	5	1[illegible]	0	0	1	10	0	0	"
TOTAL	32	[illegible]	2	53	2	56	0	4	

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23 Oct 1966
(Date)

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 9th Marines

Subj: Personnel Weekly Summary

1. The below information is correct for period ending 2400, 22 Oct 1966

	ON HAND STRENGTH				NON-EFFECTIVES				
	USMC		USN		USMC		USN		
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	LOCATION
H&SCo	14	315	2	53	0	15	0	5	Dong Ha
"E"Co	4	173	0	0	0	14	0	0	"
"F"Co	5	177	0	0	1	12	0	0	"
"G"Co	4	172	0	0	1	7	0	0	"
"H"Co	5	171	0	0	0	10	0	0	"
TOTAL	32	1008	2	53	2	58	0	5	

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 9th Marines

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1. The below information is correct for period ending 2400, [redacted]

	ON HAND STRENGTH				NON-EFFECTIVES				
	USMC		USN		USMC		USN		
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	LOCATION
H&SCo	14	[illegible]	2	53	0	13		5	[illegible]
"E"Co	4	173	0	0	[illegible]	14	0	0	"
"F"Co	5	177	0	0	1	12	0	0	"
"G"Co	4	172		0	1	8	0	0	"
"H"Co	5	171	0	0	0	11	0	0	"
TOTAL	32	[illegible]	2	53	2	5[illegible]	0	5	

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 9th Marines

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	ON HAND STRENGTH				NON-EFFECTIVES				
	USMC		USN		USMC		USN		
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	LOCATION
H&SCo	14	1[illegible]	2	53	[illegible]	12	[illegible]	6	[illegible]
"E"Co	4	173	0	0	[illegible]	12	[illegible]	0	"
"F"Co	5	[illegible]	0	0	1	14	0	0	"
"G"Co	4	172	0	0	1	0	0	0	"
"H"Co	5	[illegible]	0	0	0	12	0	0	"
TOTAL	32	[illegible]	2	53	2	[illegible]	0	6	

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FPO, San Francisco, California, 96602

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26 Oct 1966
(Date)

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 9th Marines

Subj: Personnel Weekly Summary

1. The below information is correct for period ending 2400, 25 Oct 1966

	ON HAND STRENGTH				NON-EFFECTIVES				
	USMC		USN		USMC		USN		
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	LOCATION
H&SCo	13	312	2	54	0	14	0	6	Dong Ha
"E"Co	5	173	0	0	0	10	0	0	"
"F"Co	5	177	0	0	1	15	0	0	"
"G"Co	4	171	0	0	1	8	0	0	"
"H"Co	5	168	0	0	0	11	0	0	"
TOTAL	32	1001	2	54	2	50	0	6	

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FPO, San Francisco, California, 96602

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27 Oct 1966
(Date)

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 9th Marines

Subj: Personnel Weekly Summary

1. The below information is correct for period ending 2400, 26 Oct 1966

	ON HAND STRENGTH				NON-EFFECTIVES				
	USMC		USN		USMC		USN		
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	LOCATION
H&SCo	13	[illegible]	2	54	1	12	0	5	[illegible]
"E"Co	5	172			0	9	0	0	"
"F"Co	5	174	0	0	1	15	0	0	"
"G"Co	4	174	0	0	1	15	0	0	"
"H"Co	5	166	0	0	0	12	0	0	"
TOTAL	32	996	2	54	3	63	0	5	

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HEADQUARTERS
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3d Marine Division (Rein) FMF
FPO, San Francisco, California, 96602

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 9th Marines

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1. The below information is correct for period ending 2400, [redacted]

	ON HAND STRENGTH				NON-EFFECTIVES				
	USMC		USN		USMC		USN		
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	LOCATION
H&SCo	12	327	2	54	1	1[illegible]	0	5	[illegible]
"E"Co	5	169	0	0	1	7	0	0	"
"F"Co	[illegible]	172	0	0	1	15	0	0	"
"G"Co	4	170	0	0	1	7	0	0	"
"H"Co	5	172	0	0	0	12	0	0	"
TOTAL	31	1[illegible]05	2	54	4	61	0	5	

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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 9th Marines

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	ON HAND STRENGTH				NON-EFFECTIVES				
	USMC		USN		USMC		USN		
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	LOCATION
H&SCo	12	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1	1	-	[illegible]	[illegible]
"E"Co	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1	7	[illegible]	-	[illegible]
"F"Co	[illegible]	17	[illegible]	[illegible]	1	15	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
"G"Co	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1	[illegible]	[illegible]	-	[illegible]
"H"Co	2	172	2	0	2	12	-	-	[illegible]
TOTAL	31	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1	41	[illegible]	[illegible]	

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3d Marine Division (Rein) F F
FPO, San Francisco, California, 96602

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(Date)

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 9th Marines

Subj: Personnel Weekly Summary

1. The below information is correct for period ending 2400, [illegible]

	ON HAND STRENGTH				NON-EFFECTIVES				
	USMC		USN		USMC		USN		
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	LOCATION
H&SCo	12	322	2	54	0	20	0	6	[illegible]
"E"Co	5	169	0	0	1	7	0	0	"
"F"Co	5	172	0	0	1	13	0	0	"
"G"Co	4	179	0	0	1	9	0	0	"
"H"Co	5	172	0	0	0	11	0	0	"
TOTAL	31	1013	2	54	3	65	0	6	

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FPO, San Francisco, California, 96602

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(Date)

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 9th Marines

Subj: Personnel Weekly Summary

1. The below information is correct for period ending 2400, [illegible] at 1[illegible]

	ON HAND STRENGTH				NON-EFFECTIVES				
	USMC		USN		USMC		USN		
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	LOCATION
H&SCo	12	321	2	54	0	20	0	5	[illegible]
"E"Co	5	149	[illegible]	0	1	7	0	8	"
"F"Co	5	1[illegible]1	[illegible]	0	1	12	0	0	"
"G"Co	4	1[illegible]0	[illegible]	0	1	10	0	0	"
"H"Co	2	172	0	0	0	11	0	0	"
TOTAL	31	1002	2	54	3	60	0	5	

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SPECIAL INTELLIGENCE REPORT (TRAIL NETWORK)

1. On 18 October 1966, while deployed in the vicinity of Hill 492, coordinates XD 923499, Companies E and F of this battalion discovered what was described as a well-used, well-consturcted trail. The trail was explored and one Montagnard village was discovered at coordinates XD 912504. There were no signs of recent occupancy.

2. On 20 October 1966, the 2d Battalion, 9th Marines commenced a search and destroy operation with the mission of exploiting the trail to the South. Once on the main trail it was discovered that the trail could be negotiated without too much difficulty.

3. The trail was from two to three feet in width and in more difficult areas, such as high, steep banks, steps had been cut and reinforced to sustained wear. Several areas had built-up side walls to prevent erosion. In some of the steeper-more difficult areas to negotiate, handrails, constructed of bamboo poles were erected to waist high along the outer edges in order to render aid and support to the user.

4. Throughout the entire length of the trail, from coordinates XD 905023 to coordinates XD 984438, individual protective shelters (holes 2x4x5 ft in depth) were prepared at from 30 to 50 meters apart. None of these shelters were camouflaged however, several did contain reinforced timbers to prevent wash-outs or cave-ins. Interesting to note, the entire trail is concealed by jungle canopy.

5. Of all villages discovered all appeared to have been constructed by Montagnard primitive means. Each structure appeared to be of one family size, however, 6 to 8 men could comfortably sleep in each. Examination of all villes gave no indication of enemy use as each area was spotless. No recent digging (for burial or refuse), no unusual tramping of the surrounding grounds were apparent.

6. The Viet Cong Hospital discovered at XD 962453, appeared to be a 15-man unit and documents found in the structure indicated that troops had been there on or about 27 October. The cluster of huts and lean-to's in the same location gave the indication that one platoon plus Command Group and hospital personnel could be accomodated. All of these structures were destroyed, and all medical supplies were confiscated for technical evaluation.

7. All helicopter landing zones (HLZ) were either man-made or natural terrain features. The HLZ at coordinates XD 934482 (for example) was cut into the dense jungle by USMC engineers.

8. Miscellaneous

a. Survival. All along the trail grapefruit, berries, bananas and several other edible type plants were observed. Fresh water is plentiful throughout the area.

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b. Enemy. Companies F and G encounter on 261245H which netted six NVA KIA (body count) was significant in that the NVA KIA's appeared to be well trained and well fed soldiers. The bodies were chesty looking and very muscular. The NVA were dressed in khaki uniforms, sneakers and all wore red colored swim-type shorts. None were helmets. Interesting to note - no documents, unit insignia, rank insignia nor distinguishing marks were observed on any of the bodies. The soldiers appeared to be a re-supply party as indicated by the amount and type of material carried. One NVA soldier was carrying 36 stick-type Chi Com hand grenades, 3 KAB machinegun magazines and several other small arms type ammunition. A second NVA soldier was carrying a large bag of medical supplies plus other miscellaneous items.

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Staff Section

2nd Battalion 9th Marines
Organization

010001 to 312400 October 1966
Time: Open-Close

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER. NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M,S,T,F
0001		J-1	010001	Jurnal opened	
1345		J-2	011345	Truck detonated mine at XD 985561. Mine consisted of approximately 15-20 LBs. TNT. Resulted in extensive damage to truck. 1 USMC WIA.	M S F
2028		J-3	012028	Co. F located at XD 976575 received 3-5 rds s/a fm unk position. No action taken.	M S F
0900		J-4	020900	Engr destroyed 1-105 rd at XD 985562	M S F
0915		J-5	020915	Co. G observed 15-20 NVA moving into caves at XD 967564. 106 fired 130 rds, 81s fired 430 rds HE, Tanks fired 43 rds 90 mm, fixed wing fired 100 rds 20 mm and made 4 napalm drops. 6 NVA KGMTOWS (conf) 4NVA KIA (prob)	M S F
1330		J-6	021330	Co. E at XD 982589 rec'd 4 rds 60 mm motar from unk loc.	M S F
1930		J-7	021930	Co. E at XD 984590 heard voices at XD 986595. Mortars were fired in the area and voices ceased. Area searched w/neg results.	M S F
0800		J-8	060800	A.O. observed rope line across river at XD 964593. Destroyed w/81 mm mortars.	M S F
1245		J-9	071245	Co. G Discovered & destroyed 100 rds carbine ammo at XD 966567.	M S F
1330		J-10	071330	Co. E reported a 3 man bunker (rein) at XD 967592. Deminsioned 4x4x5 Destroyed in place.	M S F
1300		J-11	081300	Co. H reported M-16 type mine detonated at XD 964567. Mine was rigged w/trip	

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010001 to 312400 October 1966
Time: Open-Close

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SEN. NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M,S,T,F
				wire device. Stake was sent to Pinch Hitter 2. 6 USMC WIA, 1 ARVN. WIA. 81 mission fired in same area resulted in one secondary explosion.	
1455		J-12	081455	Co. H discovered/destroyed 1 O.P. located in tree at XD 964567.	MSF
1836		J-13	081836	Co. H found numerous tennis shoes at XD 965567	M S F
1410		J-14	091410	Co. H discovered complex cave at XD 967565. Appeared to have been recently occupied, torch sticks were also discovered inside cave.	M S F
2200		J-15	112200	O.P. (ROCK PILE) located at XD 980558 observed an estimated 12-15 persons crossing stream at XD 987 558. Were seen through starlight scope.	M S F
1700		J-16	121700	Co. F found several punji stakes at XD 951530. Stakes had been placed along stream bed and appeared to have been emplaced for several months. 2 bamboo hamocks were also found. Hamocks were rotted beyond use. Destroyed in place.	M S F
1900		J-17	131900	Pinch Hitter 2 relayed report from agent that NVA will intensify against all types aircraft during next 3 days. Rated B-2 by P.H. 2.	M S F

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010001 to 312400 October 1966
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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER. NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	M,S,T,F
1115		J-18	141115	Co. E reported finding a campsite beside a creek at XD 950524. Campsite appeared to be 4 months old. 3 pair of tennis shoes were also found.	M S F
1230		J-19	141230	Co. F reported that at 101100 a walkie-talkie was found at XD 969 524. Seemed to be of USA manufacture.	M S F
1807		J-20	141807	Co. G reported decting movement directly in front of their position, at XD 977587. Fired 50 rds 60 mm mortars. Searched area w/neg results.	M S F
2330		J-21	142330	O.P. (ROCK PILE) observed movement through starlight scope at XD 988558. Fired 89 rds 81 mm HE and 85 81 mm illum. Searched area w/neg results.	M S F
1100		J-22	151100	Co. H reported finding 4 chi com grenades, 1 US Claymore, 44 Swedish K 50 rds, 4 fortified bunkers, 3 fighting holes. Estimated squad lived in area-found definite signs of sleeping quarters-Destroyed in place at XD 988596.	M S F
1330		J-23	151330	Co. H at XD 988602 discovered probable campsite. Heat facilities and campfire sites. Capable of accomodating 50-60 persons. Believed to have been last occupied 1 week ago.	M S F
1230		J-24	151230	Co. H discovered 1 camoflaged hut and 6-7 fighting holes (rein) at XD 988601. Destroyed in place.	

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1700		J-25	151700	Co. H at XD 983603 found 1 pair tennis shoes, 1 canvas bag, 1 cover for .30 cal M.G. C ration cans w/ Hanoi stamp.	M S F
0830		J-26	160830	Co. H at XD 993597 found 1920 rds 7.62, 100 rds linked ammo, 1 case M-26, 2 cases M-72, 60 rds M-79. Destroyed in place.	M S F
2030		J-27	162030	Co. H at XD 980598 found 21 fighting holes, 20 bunkers (rein) 4 graves w/ NVA bodies wrapped in hamocks, bodies about 2 weeks, 1 stick demlition (chi Com), 1 pair of tennis shoes and 1 entrenching tool. Destroyed positions, reburied graves. Demo, and tennis shoes returned to C.P.	M S F
1630		J-28	171630	Co. H at XD 987605 found 17 graves believed to be NVA. Graves marked w/bamboo sticks 1 ft. high with a Ø on top.	M S F
1845		J-29	181845	Co. E at XD 967593 found 1 mortar pit and 9 protective bunkers, and 3-82 mm mortar rounds (chi Com type). Rounds not rusty, 2 are missing cartridges and one was missing the point detonator. Emplacements are considered in good conditions.	M S F

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1530		J-30	201530	Co F discovered platoon-sized defensive position at XD 944544 facing N W, W and S W. Unable to determine when last occupied. Emplacements were destroyed.	M S F
1645		J-31	211645	Co. E discovered at XD 924503 3 thatched huts, 1 cace, 1 tunnel complex, 1 small case misc. documents (several of which identified the 71st regiment). Also found 1 steel helmet, 1 hat, 1 basket 7.63 ammo, and 1 Russian machine gun. Captured mat'l evacuated and huts destroyed.	M S F
1100		J-32	221100	Co. F discovered assorted documents in thatched hut at XD 926499. Documents evacuated.	M S F
1630		J-33	221630	Co. E found 5 huts w/7 protective bunkers (rein). Bunkers were 2x3x4 and L shaped. Also found various types of cooking utensils.	M S F
1030		J-34	231030	Co. E at XD 928506 discovered 2 bunkers and 2 thatched huts, 1 of which contained documents and misc. cooking utensils.	M S F
1400		J-35	231400	Co. E at XD 913504 found harbor point. a man made trail was also found extending from XD 913504 SE to XD 921495. Trail was 2-4 feet wide and followed contour of mountain side, log steps were emplaced on the steeper slopes and walls were made also of logs to keep trail from being washed away. Very easily passable. Co. F followed same trail to XD 931481.	M S F

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1200		J-36	251200	Co F at XD 935480 discovered 3 trails converging on waterfalls from W, SW and SE. The trail leading fm W contained imprints made by 3-4 men wearing Ho Chi Minh sandles; Trail leading SW contained imprints made by 3-5 men -some barefoot and some w/sandles; A new trail beginning at XD 933488 heading NE by N contained barefoot imprints made by estimated VC squad. All tracks appear to be from 10-24 hours old.	M S F
1245		J-37	261245	Co. F made contact w/est. 40 NVA in Kahki unforms and 1-50 caliber at XD 934478. Enemy dispersed and fled North running into Co. G elements. 6 NVA KIA (conf) 4 USMC KIA 12 WIA Captured items: 3 KAB (Chi Com), 1 automatic (unk type), 37 Chi Com grenades, 3 drums M.G. ammo, 1 pack of assorted medicial supplies, 3 clips KAB ammo, 2 pair sneakers, 4 uniforms, 3 rocket rds (2.36), 2 cannister demo. Estimated 40 lbs rice (destroyed). Searched area and trails leading from waterfalls at XD 934478 discovered 16 fighting holes.	M S F
1530		J-38	271530	Co. H at XD 943476 discovered 18 individual protective shelters.	M S F
1700		J-39	271700	Co. H at XD 948460 discovered 3 huts (capacity 10 men each), 2 bundles punji stakes, 1 bomb shelter (capacity 4 men) and assorted baskets.	MS F

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1730		J-40	271730	Co. E at XD 948460 found assorted documents along trail in basket which had previously contained rice.	M S F
1530		J-41	281530	H&S Co. found 4 thatched huts at XD 948460. Each hut had its own protective shelter. 1 pick, 1 shovel, 1 copper pot and several baskets were also found.	
1345		J-42	291345	Co. E at XD 963453 discovered 1 15 man hosipital, 1 probable cooking hut, 2 rest huts, 3 thatched lean-tos, 7 bunkers (2x3x5) Medical supplies, mis clothing items and assorted documents.	M S F
1500		J-43	291500	Co. E spotted approx 40 VC at XD 976435 moving across bridge near route #9. Fired mortars and arty. Searched area w/neg. results.	M S F
2400		J-44	312400	Journal closed	

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1450		146	121450	Pil-E - Pil Ch Pt #1.	M,S,F
1602		147	121602	Pil-F - Pil Addition to heat cas. brings total to 4.	S,F
1732		148	121700	Pil-E - Pil A. Echo B. 121700H C. FR 955526 D. Found punji stakes 6 months to one year old. Evidence of previous movement and assembly areas estimate age same. E. Informed troops to walk with caution. F/Q N/A	S,F
1740		149	121740	Pil-E - Pil Now 400 meters due east of Ck Pt #2. Heavy jungle will not physically cross Ck Pt #2.	M,S,F
2030		150	122030	Pil - Sudden Death Spot Report A, Foxtrot B. 121400 C. FR 951530 to 950529 EN N/A D. At 121400 plt pat from Fox at coord 951530 found punji stakes along stream bed, stakes appear to have been there some months but there was neg evidence of recent occupation. Plt pat moved to coord 950529 and found 2 bambo hammocks which were badly rotted, found plt size camp, no evidence of occupancy in several months.	S,F
2140		151	122140	Pil-_6 - Pinch Hitter-2 1. 020900H Engr discovered/destroyed 1-106 rd rigged to detonate at 985562. 2. 071300 Co E discovered/destroyed 1-3man bunker (rein) at 967592. 3. 081300 Co H recovered 1 mine support (stake) at 964567. 4. 081455 Co H destroyed 1 tree observation post at 964567. 5. 121700 Co E discovered destroyed several punji stakes (6 mos to 1 yr old) at 955526. 6. 071245 Co G recovered 150 carbine rds at 966567. 7. 121300 Co F discovered 2 hammocks at 940529.	S,F

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2155		152	122155	Pil-2 - Pil-E-F-G-H Spot Reports Imperative that complete and timely spot reports be submitted on all activity concerning EN loc, disposition, discovery/destruction of EN fortifications, emplacements and material.	S,F
0745		153	130745	Pil-E - Pil Med evac request for USMC, gun shot left foot self inflicted.	S,F
0900		154	130900	Pil-E - Pil All secure, progress approx 3000 meters.	S,F
0901		155	130901	Pil-F - Pil All secure, no contact.	S,F
0950		156	130950	Pil-E - Pil All secure, position left .3 down 2.0 progress slow.	M,S,F
1100		157	131100	Pil - Pinch Hitter Sit Rep #43 1. 131100H 2. No Change 3. Local patrols. 4. Neg. 5. None 6. Local patrols 7. FR KIA 3 WIA 25 En KIA 6	S,F
1117		158	131117	Pil-F - Pil LZ coord 944524 will mark with green smoke. Have 1 man would like to send back on chopper feel he can not make it.	S,F
1159		159	131159	Pil-F - Pil Our FAC team has made contact with E and will evac our man with theirs.	S,F
1200		160	131200	Pil-E - Pil Med evac complete. 1202H med evac complete for Fox.	S,F
1302		161	131302	Pil-E - Pil Have reached Ck Pt #3 no enemy contact. Movement very slow.	M,S,F
1602		162	131602	Pil-F - Pil Progressing very slow all secure, no enemy contact.	S,F
1704		163	131704	Pil-F - Pil Approx 30 meters from Hill 254, all secure, no enemy contact.	M,S,F

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1730		164	131730	Pil-F - Pil Spot Report A. Fox B. 131730H C. FR 940515 D. Recent fighting holes and trees cut within last 30 days. Destroyed PRC-10 batt. Estimation building of plt or less in area.	MS,F
1744		165	131744	Pil-E - Pil Approaching Ck Pt #3. Going slow. All secure, no enemy contact.	M,S,F
1840		166	131840	Pinch Hitter - All stations Agent report states NVA will intencify against all types aircraft during next 3 days.	S,F
1845		167	131845	Pil-E - Pil All secure pos. 955516.	M,S,F
1900		168	131900	Pil-F - Pil Activities complete H&I's arond surrounding area. That is due to surrounding terrain.	S,F
1914		169	131914	Pil-E - Pil Echo CP left.7 down 2.7 to left.6 down 2.4 .	M,S,F
1920		170	131920	Pil-F - Pil Fox Cp left 2.1. down 2.5.	M,S,F
2034		171	132034	Pil - Pinch Hitter Night activities.8	MS,F
2325		172	132325	Pil-H-G-E - Pil All secure, no contact.	
0442		173	140442	Pil-E-F-H - Pil All secure.	S,F
0500		174	140500	Pil - Pinch Hitter 1. SITREP #45 2. No Change. 3. Local patrols and ambushes. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Local patrols. 7. FR KIA 3 WIA 25 EN KIA 6	S,F
0500		175	140500	Pil-E-F - Pil All secure.	S,F
0720		176	140720	Pil-E - Pil We are on the move.	S,F
0753		177	140753	Pil-F - Pil Moving north of Ck Pt 4 toward next ridge line.	M,S,F

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0818		178	140818	Slip - Pil Operating on west side of razor back last night. Heard sniper fire from razor back to your position. Req. to know if you received any.	M,S,F
0900		179	140900	Pil-F - Pil Pos Rpt left 2.4 down 2.7 all secure. No EN contact.	M,S,F
0933		180	140933	Pil-E - Pil Found large harbor sight at coord 950524. Scout is making up sketches will give full rpt on return.	M,S,F
1017		181	141017	Pil-E - Pil (Harbor sight) Size small - platoon Small glade on sides of streams . Small fire places. Small stakes which seem to have been used as shelves. There was a poncho strung between 2 trees.	S,F
1106		182	141106	Pil-F - Pil Have reached Ck Pt 6. All secure, neg enemy contact.	M,S,F
1145		183	141145	Pil-F - Pil Now fixing to chow down will continue to move starting 1230H. Anticipate 4 hrs travel to CP.	M,S,F
1300		184	141300	Pil-E - Pil Now at 961543 moving slow.	S,F
1301		185	141301	Pil-YA1 - Pil We are now departing CP.	S,F
1326		186	141326	Pil-YA1 - Pil We have reached our destination.	S,F
1505		187	141505	Pil-E - Pil Position report 973553.	M,S,F
1500		188	141500	Pil-F - Pil Spot Rpt A. Fox B. 141500H C. 949536. D. Found man tracks 3-4 months old along trail. E-Q N/A.	M,S,F

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0001			010001	Journal Opened.	
1030		1	011030	Pil-G, E and Command Group "A" arrived at new position 976567 at 011000H.	S,F
1530		2	011530	Pil-F and Command Group "B" arrived at new position 976567.	S,F
1630		3	011630	Pil-H arrived at position 976567.	S,F
	1645	4	011645	Pil - Pinch Hitter All Pil units this position as of 1615H.	S,F
1705		5	011705	Pil-F now departing position.	S,F
1800		6	011800	Pil - Pinch Hitter SITREP #1 A. 976567. B. Relieved Permission set in defensive positions. C. Neg D. Neg. E. Improve night positions patrols and ambushes. F. Neg	S,F
1830		7	011830	Pil-F - Pil Night CP 996572.	M,S,F
1935		8	011935	Pil - Pinch Hitter Position report for Pil units. Pil CP 976567, Pil- G 973565, Pil-H 978568, Pil-E 978585, Pil-F 9957.	
2300		9	012300	Pil - Pinch Hitter SIT REP #2 A. 976568 B. Conducted patrols and ambushes. C. Neg. D. None. E. Continue patrols and ambushes. F. Neg.	S,F
2300		10	012300	Pil - All Pil Units FragO 1-66 1. No Change. 2. No Change. 3.A. Pil-E be prepared to assume mission of Pil-G. B. Pil-F at 030800 stroll to this CP and assume mission of Pil-H. C. Pil-G be prepared to operate as herd vic GS 9556, 9656, 9555, 9655.	S,F

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				D. Pil-H be prepared to operate as Herdavic GS 9855, 9955, 9754, 9854, E. 1. Hourly SITREPS required. 2. Stay alert for mines. 3. Submit activities daily by 1400. 4. No Change. 5. No Change.	
0225		11	020225	Pil-F - Pil Request med evac for Marine at coord 988568. Accidental discharge during LZ security patrol. Shot in upper right leg.	S,F
0335		12	020335	Med evac complete for F patrol.	S,F
0500		13	020500	Pil - Pinch Hitter SITREP #3 A. 976568. B. Conducted night patrols and ambushes. C. Neg. D. None. E. Continue patrols. F. None.	S,F
0511		14	020511	Pinch Hitter-2 - Pil-2 Req. to know where convoy hit mine at 011435H while moving your unit to its present pos.	S,F
0520		15	020520	Pil-2 - Pinch Hitter -2 Coord where mine was hit by truck is 992556.	S,F
0515		16	020515	Pinch Hitter - Pil Frag Order 1-66 Continue present operations. Casano X-Ray execute pagh 3 of FragO 1-66 at 020900.	S,F
0725		17	020725	Mutter -3 - Pil-3 Req. to have your direct fire weapons in support some time this morning, will notify you when.	S,F
0731		18	020731	Pil-3 - Mutter-3 Our direct fire weapons ready for your assist. Are positioned at 977585.	S,F
0750		19	020750	Pil-E - Pil-3 Sassy Chazey units this pos. need freg their fire mission will be on.	S,F

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0805		20	020805	Pil-3 - Pil-E Have tanks come up on Bn TAC and then let us know what their call sign will be.	S,F
0900		21	020900	Pil - Pinch Hitter Spot Rep. A. Pil. B. 020900H C. FR. 985562 EN. N/A D. 105 rd was found at 985562 which was found 4" in the ground by engineers sweeping road. E. Rd was blown in place.	S,F
0917		22	020917	Pil-G - Pil We spotted 20 NVA to west on razor back give coord and azimuth, 967564, 2500 mils spotted them going in caves. Were wearing kahki uniforms.	S,F
0930		23	020930	Mutter-6 - Pil Direct fire unit in position and ready to fire. Lay in on west edge of 484 and be ready. Will be 1st target area.	S,F
0950		24	020950	Pil-G - Pil Have confirmed 2 KIAs and 4 WIAS NVA on razor back.	S,F
1000		25	021000	Pil-2 - Pinch Hitter ITSUM 011345H truck detonated mine at YD 985561. Mine consisted of approx 15-20 lbs TNT. Resulted in extensive damage to truck and 1 USMC WIA. 012025H Co F loc at YD 976575 rec'd 3 to 5 rds S/A from unk pos. No fire returned.	S,F
1020		26	021020	Pil - Pinch Hitter Spot Rep A. Pil. B. 021020H C. FR 976567 EN 967567 D. Observed 20 NVA dressed in Kahki. E. Firing 106's, 81's, fixed wing. F-Q N/A.	S,F
1100		27	021100	Pil - Pinch Hitter SITREP #4 A. 976567 B. Observed NVA on razor back 967564, took under fire with	S,F

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				106, 90mm, 81mm, S/A. Patrol now checking area. D. Same as C. E. NVA moved into caves on razor back. F. Continue assigned mission. F.. FR. Neg EN 6 KIA	
1243		28	021243	Tigers accompanying Golf patrol will will be firing in 10 min on western side of razor back.	S,F
1300		29	021300	Mutter96A - Pil Request fire at knob, west edge at coord 958616, mark with smoke and we will adjust, request time of fire.	M,S,F
1340		30	021340	Spot Report Pil-E - Pil A. Echo B. 021330 C. 982589 D. Rec'd 4 rds 60mm fire 35 meters from EP3, originor direction not observed. F-O Neg P Con't drag race.	F,M,S,
1410		31	021410	Pinch Hitter - All stations Units will not call arty fire or air strikes within 500 meters of a boundary without clearing w/adjacent units.	S,F
1450		32	021450	Pinch Hitter - 3 - Pil-3 Req. Spot Rep explaining enemy cas. as reported in SetReport No 4.	S,F
1505		33	021505	Pil - Pinch Hitter Will send report as soon as patrol returns.	S,F
1523		34	021523	Pil-G - Pil GP1 has returned with neg results.	S,F
1555		35	021555	Pil-E - Pil Spot Report A. Echo B. 021545 C. 981589 D. Found 10 rounds 81mm partly buried. F. Will have engineers blow in place. G-Q Neg.	S,F

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1630		36	021630	Pil - Pinch Hitter A. Pil B. 021630H C. FR 976567 EN 967567 D. Observed 20 NVA, fired 430-81mm, 130-106's, 4 napalm, 100 20mm, 200-M-60 Six NVA observed being blown from side of razor back. 6 NVA KIA. Suspected that NVA were trying to get in position to use 57RR or mortars on Pil units. Sent out patrol, unable to check area due to steep cliffs and heavy under growth.	S,F
1700		37	021700	Pil- Pinch Hitter SITREP #5 1. SITREP #5. 2. 976567. 3. Conducted patrols and improved defensive positions. 4. Neg. 5. None 6. Continue assigned missions. Night patrols and ambushes. 7. FR. Neg En 6 KIA.	S,F
1755		38	021755	Pil-E - Pil Spot Report A. Echo B. 021630H C. 981588 D. Gunshot wound, accidential, self inflected. E&F N/A G One WIA H-Q N/A.	S,F
1930		39	021930	Pil-E - Pil A. Echo B. 021930H C. FR 984590 EN 986595 D. Heard vocies small suspected enemy unit. E. Arty mission req. now. F-Q N/A	S,F
2300		40	022300	Pil - Pinch Hitter 1. SITREP #6 2. 976567 3. Conducted patrols and ambushes. 4. Neg. 5. None 6. Continue night activities. 7. FR None EN 6 KIA.	S,F
0500		41	030500	Pil - Pinch Hitter 1. SITREP #7 2. 976567 3. Conducted night activities 4. Neg 5. None 6. Continued assigned mission. 7. FR None EN 6 KIA	S,F
0755		42	030755	Pil-F - Pil Are moving from our night CP.	S,F

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0800		43	030800	Pil-E - Pil-3 Spot Report A. Echo B 030750H C. 979588 D. Found unexploded napalm. E. Engineers will blow in place. F-Q Neg.	M,S,F
0842		44	030842	Pinch Hitter-3 - Pil-3 Sending EOD team to your position.	S,F
0854		45	030854	Pil-F - Pil-3 Now entering CP.	S,F
0915		46	030915	Pil-E - Pil-3 Change on spot rpt to 500 lb bomb.	S,F
1045		47	031045	Pil-H - Pil-3 We are now dep't CP.	S,F
1100		48	031100	Pil - Pinch Hitter 1. SETREP #8 2. 976567 3. Co's E & F returned to CP. 4. Ng 5. None. 6. Pil-H operate in GS 9855, 9955, 9754, 9854. Pil-G rein with 2 sassy units operate in GS 9556, 9656, 9555, 9655. 7. FR None, EN 6 KIA	S,F
1150		49	031150	Pil-E - Pil-3 We are clear of area go ahead and fire wiskey.	M,S,F
1202		50	031202	Pil-H - Pil-3 Now at Ck Pt #8 c ross river, no enemy contact.	S,F
2300		51	032300	Pil - Pinch Hitter 1. SITREP #10 2. 976567 3. Conducted patrols. 4. Neg 5. None 6. Continue patrols and ambushes 7. FR None EN 6 KIA	S,F
0903		52	040903	Pil-H - Pil Lead elements 1000 m from CP. ETA 1000H.	S,F
1850		53	041850	Pil-H - Pil Spot Rep A. Hotel B. 041845H C. FR Right 9 down 9 EN Neg. D. Old enemy positions trench halfway around hill, numerous	M,S,F

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				fox holes, 2 mortar pits. All positions extremely old. E. None F-N N/A O. Positions very old, use to be enemy mortar positions. P-Q Neg.	
[illegible]130		54	042130	Pil-E - Pil My patrol heading north has just heard voices. They are preparing to take them under fire. Voices are located near base of hill.	S,F
2223		55	042223	Pinch Hitter - Pil Do you have troops in vic XD 991561.	S,F
	2245	56	042245	Pil - Pinch Hitter Pil units 500 m south of XD 991561.	S,F
2230		57	042230	Pil-G - Pil Cease fire on 106's until squad returns. Will notify you when squad returns.	S,F
2300		58	042300	Pil - Pinch Hitter 1. SITREP #13 2. No change. 3. Conducted night patrols and ambushes. 4. Neg. 5. None 6. Continue night activities. 7. FR Neg EN 6 KIA.	S,F
2345		59	042345	C-2A - Pil Spears spotted movement at base of razor back.	S,F
0500		60	050500	Pil - Pinch Hitter 1. SITREP #14 2. No Change 3. Conducted patrols and ambushes. 4. Neg 5. None 6. Continue assigned mission. 7. FR Neg EN 6 KIA.	S,F
0625		61	050625	Sassy Charlie 24 - Pil We have completed H&I fire at this time.	S,F
0705		62	050705	Pil-H - Pil We have 1 squad sweeping area where 81 mission was fired last night. Req to know if we should return to CP after sweep is conducted.	S,F

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0755		63	050755	Pil-H - Pil Squad patrol has returned with neg. results. Preparing to move out to your CP.	S,F
0810		64	050810	Pil-G - Pil We will be moving out in about 15 minutes.	S,F
0812		65	050812	Pil-H - Pil All secure, neg enemy contact. Are beginning to move towards your pad.	S,F
0900		66	050900	Pil-G - Pil About 200 m from CP stopping for water ETA 10 min.	S,F
0910		67	050910	Pil-H - Pil Lead elements now 400 m from CP.	S,F
0950		68	050950	Pil-F - Pil Lead elements moving out.	S,F
1100		69	051100	Pil - Pinch Hitter 1. SITREP #15 2. No change. 3. Continue patrols continue 90mm DFS of Mutter units. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Continue assigned mission with patrol activity. Trafficability of Sassy and Tanic Acid units poor. 7. FR Neg EN KIA 6	S,F
1124		70	051124	Pil-5 - Pil Fox at Phase 1.	S,F
1130		71	051130	Pil-5 - Pil Pil-F prep fires completed moving toward Phase 2 Pil-E moving out.	S,F
1205		72	051205	Pil-5 - Pil All secure. Leading elements of Pil-E are moving out.	S,F
1245		73	051245	Pil-5 - Pil Just blew some old ammo on top of this hill.	S,F
	1300	74	051300	Pil-3 - Pil-5 Mutter units to be operating vic GS 9959, 9960. Supporting arms fire must be coordinated with this station.	S,F

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1305		75	051305	Pil-5 - Pil Pil-F approaching phase line 2. Pil-E approaching phase line 2 near 995573.	S,F
1405		76	051405	Pil-5 - Pil Pil-F is moving from phase line 2 to phase line 3. Pil-E at phase line2.	S,F
1505		77	051505	Pil-5 - Pil Pil-E & F at phase line 3.	S,F
1656		78	051656	Pil-5 - Pil Echo is moving to obj area. Pil-5 is moving to obj area for tonight.	S,F
1700		79	051700	Pil - Pinch Hitter 1. SITREP #16 2. No change. 3. Conducted day activities. 4. Neg. 5. None 6. Commence night activities 7. FR Neg. EN 6 KIA.	S,F
1720		80	051720	Pil-5 - Pil Req info on any Mutter units working in this area.	S,F
1845		81	051845	Pil-G - Pil Req you stop 106's from firing toward the south.	S,F
1930		82	051930	Pil-F - Pil Fox position vic 996592 Do to heavy jungle were unable to make objective. Will be moving to objective first light.	M,S,F
2020		83	052020	Pinch Hitter - Pil Be advised Primrose B-6 will come to your pos. on 1st resupply helo in morning for purpose of recon at XD. He will need security to escort him to this location and back (ARJDBZT).	S,F
2300		84	052300	Pil - Pinch Hitter 1. SITREP #17 2. No change. 3. Conducted patrols and ambushes 4. Neg 5. None 6. Carry out night activities see night activities. 7. FR Neg EN 6 KIA.	S,F

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2320		85	052320	Pil-F - Pil Spot Report A. Foxtrot B. 052320H C. FR 995591 EN N/A D. At 2320H received 1 rd arty at azmuth on rd 1200. Rd burst on northern edge perimeter, directly above 2-4man positions. A gun pos. and a rocket pos. E. Applied first aid and called med evac. F. 3 G.11 H-N N/A O. Platoon was set in perimeter around company CP and 60mm area utilized was approx 50 yd by 50 yd. Persons dispersed as much as terrian allowed. 2 man holes were dug. Other 2 platoons were back guarding route into area. Those injured were directly under blast or from 10 to 75 yds from blast. P. Detail report with diagram will follow.	M,S,F
0107		86	060107	Pil - Pinch Hitter Spot Report A. Pil B. 060030 C. 997593 D. Pil-F rec'd one rd of undertermined size. E. Called med evac F. 2 G. 10 H-Q Neg.	S,F
0215		87	060215	Pil - Pinch Hitter Spot Report Final A. Pil B. 060200 C. 997593 D. Pil-F rec'd one rd of undertermined size into his CP. E. Med evac called F. FR 3 KIA 9 WIA H-N N/A O. Suspected arty H&I P&Q Neg.	M,S,F
0535		88	060500	Pil - Pinch Hitter 1. SITREP #18 2. No change. 3. Conducted night activities, patrols and ambushes. 4. Neg. 5. None 6. Carry out assigned mission, conduct patrols. 7. FR 3 KIA 10 WIA EN 6 KIA.	S,F
0830		89	060830	Pil-5 - Pil Rec'd day activities.	M,S,F
0920		90	060920	Pil-5 - Pil Req pos. of mutter units.	S,F

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1100		91	061100	Pil - Pinch Hitter 1. SITREP #18 2. No change. 3. Conducted patrols and set a blocking position for Mutter movement. 4. Neg. 5. None 6. Continue patrols and blocking positions. 7. FR 3 KIA 10 WIA EN 6 KIA.	S,F
1420		92	061420	Pil-5 - Pil All secure. Echo elements in their position. Fox coming into position with tanks.	
1700		93	061700	Pil - Pinch Hitter 1. SITREP #19 2. No change. 3. Set up blocking position for Mutter units. 4. Neg. 5. None 6. Continue blocking position, patrols and ambushes. 7. FR 3 KIA 10 WIA EN 6 KIA.	S,F
1815		94	061815	Pil-H - Pil Our PPB is now leaving perimeter.	S,F
1830		95	061830	Mutter - Pil Rec'd Mutter activities.	M,S,F
1930		96	061930	Pil - Pil-F Pil-H will have 1 PPB at coord 985570 with sqd ambush 988568.	S,F
2013		97	062013	Pil-H - Pil All secure. PPB in pos.	M,S,F
0745		98	070745	Pil-H - Pil Lead elements of PPB now entering CP.	S,F
0800		99	070800	Pil-H - Pil All elements of PPB now in CP.	S,F
0812		100	070812	Pil-E - Pil Spot Report A. Echo B. 080810H C. 980589 D. Found 500 lb bomb. E. Will mark and avoid.	M,S,F
0843		101	070843	Pil-5 - Pil Will move Echo along route designated. Will keep Fox present position to cover for Mutter.	M,S,F

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				Plan to marry Fox and Echo at river crossing. Do to thick jungle Fox would be unable to accomplish assigned route by night fall.	
1020		102	071020	Pinch Hitter - Pil Be advised Field Clerk operating in area bounded by XD 9648, 9848, 9651, 9851 from 7 to 11 Oct 66.	M,S,F
1150		103	071150	Pil-E - Pil Spot Report A. Echo B. 071130 C. 967592 D. Found deep 3 man bunker small log constuction. E. Destroyed.	S,F
1233		104	071233	Pil-5 - Pil Rear elements of Mutter are south of Fox's position.	S,F
1236		105	071236	Pil-H - Pil Lead elements leaving CP.	S,F
1325		106	071325	Pil-H - Pil Our unit out now will do some prep fire before going up.	S,F
1418		107	071418	Pil-F - Pil Lead elements now approaching CP.	S,F
1435		108	071435	Pil-G - Pil Now departing CP.	S,F
1523		109	071523	Pil-E - Pil Chopping our way have not reached Ch Pt #4 yet.	S,F
1530		110	071530	Pil-E - Pil Ck Pt #4.	M,S,F
1650		111	071650	Pil-H - Pil H-6 right .4 down 1.7 H-3 right .8 down 1.8 nearing top.	M,S,F
1930		112	071930	Pil-H - Pil Due to circumstances of very thick brush we will only have one squad ambush and local LP's.	S,F
2130		113	072130	Pil-G - Pil Night activities.	M,S,F

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0818		114	080818	Pil-G - Pil Now moving from last position to objective on your side of river.	S,F
0855		115	080855	Pil-H - Pil We will be working in GS 9556 and 9557 today.	M,S,F
1000		116	081000	Pil-G - Pil Have reached orgiinal obj. All secure - no enemy contact.	S,F
1114		117	081114	Pil-H - Pil All secure - no enemy contact. Platoon patrol returned - found old positions, old 782 gear and old C-rations. Gear was destroyed.	S,F
1319		118	081319	Pil-H - Pil Spot Report A. H2B B. 081300 C. 964567 D. Man tripped M-16A1 booby trap pressure type detonator. E. Are getting med evac for wounded personnel. F. Neg G. 9 H-Q Neg.	M,S,F
1455		119	081455	Pil-H - Pil 1 platoon patrol returning to CP. Found look out post in tree above trail. Location left 1.0 up .1 Destroyed same.	S,F
1517		120	081517	Pil-H - Pil Activities for 8 Oct 1600 will move CP to right .7 down 1.3 Company will link up at new pad. Pin ups for 9 Oct, start working ridge to north of CP.	S,F
1800		121	081800	Pil-H - Pil Present position at R.7 down 1.3. We are on a well used trail looking for a way to the high ground. So far neg. results on either side.	S,F
1836		122	081836	Pil-H - Pil SITREP all secure. Found well used trail at right .5 down 1.3 also found numerous tennis shoes and fox holes blocking trail where it extend from the mountain in a large valley.	S,F

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1907		123	081907	Pil-H - Pil Present position at right .7 down .3 on the slope in the saddle. Have one platoon remaining down on the western slope of the saddle in a ambush position.	M,S,F
1918		124	081918	Pil-H - Pil Night CP is at right .7 down 1.2.	S,F
0033		125	090033	Pinch Hitter - Pil Recent intell indicates possible enemy Bn is moving north toward your area.	S,F
0750		126	090750	Pil-F - Pil Platoon ambush returned to CP.	S,F
0900		127	090900	Pil-H - Pil We are at right .6 down .8. All virgin territory, good observation west, very rugged terian good suggested permanant CP.	M,S,F
1005		128	091005	Pil-H - Pil Have returned to CP We are sending people out in different directions to scout the terrain.	S,F
1130		129	091130	Pil-H - Pil Spot Report A. Hotel B. 091130. C. Right .7 down 1.7 D. Spotted movement. E. Fired 3 rds 7.62 F-L N/A MN N/A Q Probably animal. P. Fired 3 rds 81mm neg results.	S,F
1145		130	091145	Pil-H - Pil Have one squad at pos. right .8 down 1.2 looking for path down saddle.	M,S,F
1410		131	091410	Pil-H - Pil Found large cave at right .7 down .15. Cave runs entire length of that hill. Cave seems to have been recently occupied also found tourch sticks in cave. (967565) Cave has 75 to 100 ft ceiling.	M,S,F
1800		132	091800	Pil-F - Pil Platoon now departing CP.	S,F

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1830		133	091830	Pil-G - Pil Present location is at 975554.	S,F
2000		134	092000	Pil-F - Pil Platoon now at night pos.	S,F
1105		135	101105	Pil-E - Pil Situation report. All secure position 981543.	S,F
1145		136	101145	Pil-E - Pil Pos rept 980533 heading south no contact.	MS,F
1150		137	101150	Pil-F - Pil Right .9 up .5 movement good no enemy contact.	M,S,F
1240		138	101240	Pil-E - Pil Platoon at 974537.	S,F
1533		139	101533	Pil-3 - Pinch Hitter-3 Pilsner units will operate vic 924497 as discussed with Pinch Hitter-6. Footmatch to obj. commenced this AM. Request direct liaison be granted with Crepe Mrytle to discuss Pilsners movements.	S,F
1602		140	101602	Pinch Hitter-3 - Pil-3 Request granted for liaison with Crepe Mrytle.	
1625		141	101625	Pil-E - Pil Pos. Rpt 964537 some going is rough.	M,S,F
1900		142	101900	Pil-E - Pil All secure.	S,F
0840		143	110840	Pil - PH "H" OP 988571, "H" sqd amb 985569.	M,S,F
1830		144	111830	Pil - PH Night position and activities.	S,F
2200		145	112200	OP located at 980558 observed an estimated 12-15 persons crossing stream at 987558. Persons were observed with starlight scope. Fired 81mm HE mission and several illumination rounds. Patrol searched area w/neg results.	S,F

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1600		189	141600	Pil-F - Pil left 1.1 up 3.	M,S,F
1725		190	141725	Pil-G - Pil We are now located at right .9, down .5. Golf 1, 2, and 6 night CP,at right 1.2, down 1. is Golf-3 and disabled tank with thrown track.	MS,F
1733		191	141733	Pil - Pinch Hitter Request to know if Field Clerk are still operating in our TAOR.	S,F
1732		192	141732	Pil-F - Pil At the water, starting for the CP.	S,F
1741		193	141741	Pinch Hitter - Pil Field Clerks still in TAOR. In approx 5 min will give you their location.	S,F
1757		194	141757	Pil - Pinch Hitter Request to know call sign, location and TOE of Field Clerk in our TAOR.	S,F
1807		195	141807	Pil-G - Pil Sighted movement at 977587 will fire approx 50 rds. Results to follow.	MS,F
1815		196	141815	Pil-G - Pil Results of fire movement ceased and are now checking area.	S,F
1850		197	141850	Pil-H - Pil Night CP right .8, down .2. 1 PPB at right 1.0 down .3,	M,S,F
1850		198	141850	Field Clerk-3 - Pil-3 Inregards to your 141754H TORP XD 991507 TOE 160745H freq. 38.7. Vengence XD 942591 TOE 180930H freq 38.7	S,F
1948		199	141948	Pil- Pinch Hitter Night activities.	S,F
2100		200	142100	Pinch Hitter - Pil Keep all units your side of GL 54 between 151000 to 151100.	S,F

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1230		210	151230	Pil - Pinch Hitter A. Hotel B. 151230H C. 986601 D. At 1230H at above coord found 1 camouflaged hut, 6-7 fighting holes, some rein. E. Destroyed positions. P-Q N/A.	S,F
1305		211	151305	Pil-H - Pil At this time we have adaquate amount of demolition which we are using to destroy these positions we will keep you informed if we need any more.	S,F
1308		212	151308	Pinch Hitter - Pil Req. all info available on flashing light reported observed by your units from 1900 to 2400 14Oct66.	S,F
1330		213	151330	Pil - Pinch Hitter Spot Rpt. A. Hotel B. 151330H C. 988602 D. Pil-H at 1330H at reported well used trail. Platoon size head facility. 60 fighting holes. Shells in trees very well policed. E. Destroyed fighting holes. F-Q N/A.	S,F
1542		214	151542	Pinch Hitter - Pil Be advised Field Clerk is no longer operating in area bounded by 9746, 9946, 9744, 9944, 9950, 0249, 0250, 9949.	M,S,F
1700		215	151700	Pil - Pinch Hitter 1. SITREP #51 2, No Change. 3. Local patrols 4. Neg 5. Pil Hotel reported finding fighting positions, assembly areas, ammo, new trails. 6. Local patrols and ambushes. 7. FR JIA 3 FR WIA 25 EN KIA 6.	S,F
1700		216	151700	Pil - Pinch Hitter Night Activities.	MS,F,
1755		217	151755	Pil-H - Pil-3 Destruction rpt. Destroyed 146 fortified positions,	S,F

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0100		201	150100	Pil-E-F-G-H - Pil All secure.	S,F
0115		202	150115	Pil - Sudden Death Spot Rpt A. Pil OP B. 142330H C. FR 979558 EN 988558 D. OP observed movement through infra-scope at above coord. E. Called 81 mission with illum. OP observed what appeared to be bodies in area of mission. Patrol to be sent out at first light to check area. F-Q N/A.	M,S,F
0642		203	150642	Pil-F - Pil 1 platoon now departing on assigned mission.	S,F
0910		204	150910	Pil-H - Pil Sending 2 platoon patrols one to vic of right 2.5 up .2 and one to vic of right .6 up .8.	
1000		205	151000	Pil-H - Pil All secure, platoon now departing CP.	S,F
1100		206	151100	Pil - Pinch Hitter 1. SITREP #50 2. No change. 3. Local patrols. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Local patrols. 7. FR KIA 3 FR WIA 25 EN KIA 6.	S,F
1100		207	151100	Pil - Pinch Hitter Spot Rpt A. Hotel B. 151100H D. FR 988598 D. At 151000H Hotel found grenades 44 K-50 rds, 1 claymore mine, 4 fortified bunkers, 3 fighting holes and estimated sqd sleeping area. E. Destroyed. F-Q N/A.	M,S,F
1100		208	151100	Pil-3 - Pil-H Request to know if more demolition is needed. Also request you to look throughly for documents.	S,F
1130		209	151130	Pils - Pinch Hitter Request EOD ASAP at this position for removal of 3.5" rocket rds.	S,F

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				8 racks bamboo and natural materials, 4 heads, numerous clothes lines.	
1800		218	151800	Pil-H - Pil Spot Report A. Hotel B. 151700H C. Right 1.3 Up 1.3 D. Found one pair tennis shoes, one canvas bag, one cover for .30 cal MG, C-ration cans with Hanoi stamp on them. E-Q N/A.	S,F
1800		219	151800	Pil-3 - Pil-G&H Extend your stay another day. Submit request for additional C-rations without delay. Pil-3 will accompany in a day.	S,F
2000		220	152000	Pil-E-F-G-H - Pil All secure.	S,F
2100		221	152100	Pil-E-F-G-H - Pill All secure.	S,F
2200		222	152200	Pil-E-F-G-H - Pil All secure.	S,F
2300		223	152300	Pil - Pinch Hitter SITREP #52 2. No Change. 3. Local patrols and ambushes. 4. Neg. 5. Pil-H found 1 pr tennis shoes, canvas bag for .30 cal MG, C-ration cans with Hanoi stamp on them. 6. Local patrols and ambushes. 7. FR KIA 3 FR WIA 25 EN KIA 6.	S,F
2355		224	152355	Pil-E-F-G-H - Pil All secure.	S,F
0047		225	160047	Pil-E-F-G-H - Pil All secure.	S,F
0150		226	160150	Pil-E-F-G-H - Pil All secure.	S,F
0250		227	160250	Pil-E-F-G-H - Pil All secure.	S,F
0350		228	160350	Pil-E-F-G-H - Pil All secure.	S,F
0500		229	160500	Pil - Pinch Hitter 1. SITREP #53 2. No chnage. 3. Local patrols and ambushes. 4. Neg. 5. None.	S,F

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				6. Local patrols. 7. FR KIA 3 WIA 25 EN KIA 6.	
0830		230	160830	Pil - Pinch Hitter Spot Rpt A. Hotel B. 160830H C. 993597 D. Found 1920 rds 7.62mm, 100 rds linked, 1 case M-26, 60 rds M-79, 2 cases M-72. E. Destroyed in place. F-Q N/A.	S,F
1020		231	161020	Pil - Pinch Hitter Spot Rpt. A. Hotel B. 161020H C. R 1.0 up .8 D. Found 21 fighting holes, 20 reinforced bunkers, 4 graves with NVA bodies, estimated 2 weeks old, 1 stick of demo, 1 pr tennis shoes, 1 E-tool. E. Destroyed in place. F-Q N/A.	S,F
1100		232	161100	Pil - Pinch Hitter 1. SITREP #54 2. No change. 3. Local patrols. 4. Neg. 5. Pil-H found ammo, grenades, bunkers, fighting holes. Destroyed in place. 6. Local patrols. 7. FR KIA 3 WIA 25 EN KIA 6.	S,F
1155		233	161155	Pinch Hitter - Pil Ref your 160900 spot rpt: were any lot numbers taken off of ammo bounds. Who was 7,62 mm ammo made by Chi Com of US.	S,F
1215		234	161215	Pil - Pinch Hitter Ref on 160900H spot rpt. Neg. US.	S,F
1400		235	161400	Pil-H - Pil Position of "H" right .5 up .5.	M,S,F
1400		236	161400	Pil-H - Pil Hotel has found one 500 lb bomb at 975595.	S,F
1420		237	161420	Pil-3 - Pil Pil-3 has reached G CP.	S,F

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1700		238	161700	Pil - Pinch Hitter 1. SITREP #55 2. No change. 3. Local patrols. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Local patrols and ambushes. 7. FR KIA 3 WIA 3 EN KIA 6.	S,F
1800		239	161800	Pil-G - Pil Night activities.	M,S,F
1935		240	161935	Sudden Death - All stations Commencing at 170001H all TAR will be submitted to Landshark Bravo on FM. Pil and Mutter will submit helo req. to Starboard 14 on FM. Permis, Cas, CM and SS will submit helo req. to Sudden Death on FM. Resupply missions remain the same. All Bn 14's acknowledge by 0630 tomorrow.	S,F
1925		241	161925	Pil - Pinch Hitter Night activities.	S,F
1955		242	161955	Pil-E-F-G-H - Pill All secure.	S,F
2055		243	162055	Pil-E-F-G-H - Pil All secure.	S,F
2150		244	162150	Pil-E-F-G-H - Pil All secure.	S,F
2250		245	162250	Pil-E-F-G-H - Pil All secure.	S,F
2300		246	162300	Pil- Pinch Hitter 1. SITREP #56 2. No change. 3. Local patrols and ambushes. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Local patrols and ambushes. 7. FR KIA 3 WIA 25 EN KIA 6.	S,F
2355		247	162355	Pil-E-F-G-H - Pil All secure.	S,F
0042		248	170042	Pinch Hitter - Mut, Cas, CM, Pil Be advised sniper team available Submit request to this HQ.	S,F
0100		249	170100	Pil-E-F-G-H - Pil All secure.	S,F
0200		250	170200	Pil-E-F-G-H - Pil All secure.	S,F

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0300		251	170300	Pil-E-F-G-H - Pil All secure.	S,F
0400		252	170400	Pil-E-F-G-H - Pil All secure.	S,F
0500		253	170500	Pil-E-F-G-H - Pil All secure.	S,F
0555		254	170555	Pil-E-F-G-H - Pil All secure.	S,F
0655		255	170655	Pil-E-F-G-H - Pil All secure.	S,F
0800		256	170800	Pil changed OPCON from 4th Marines to 3d Marines.	S,F
1004		257	171004	Starboard - Pil 6 hr SITREP to this HQ by 171030H next rpt by 171630H.	S,F
1030		258	171030	Pil - Starboard 1. SITREP #1 2. 976567. 3. Local patrols. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Continue local patrols. 7. FR KIA 3 FR WIA 25 EN KIA 6. Position report BN - 976567, CO E-976567, Co F - 976567, Co G - 978585, Co H - 988592.	S,F
0600		259	190600	BB - Crowd 1. SITREP#8 2. No Change. 3. Conducted night activities. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Conduct local patrols. 7. No change.	S,F
1100		260	191100	BB- Crowd 1. SITREP#9 2. No change. 3. Conducted patrols 4. Neg. 5. None 6. Conduct local pat. 7. No change.	S,F
1700		261	191700	BB- Crowd 1. SITREP#10 2. No change. 3. Conducted local patrols. Companies E & F returning this position. 4. Neg 5. None. 6. Commence night activities. All companies located this position. 976567. 7. No change.	S,F

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2300		262	192300	BB - Crowd 1. SITREP #11 2. No change. 3. Continue night act. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Continuing night activities.	S,F
0500		263	200500	BB - Crowd 1. SITREP#12 2. No change. 3. Local patrol and amb. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Start Bn. operation 7. No change.	S,F
1235		264	201235	Pil-5 - Pil-3 A. Galian 31F B. 201235H C. XD 953473. D. Spotted 10 NVA 40meters from above coord. kahki uniforms without covers. Equip. unknown. E. AO on station calling arty.	M,S,F
1800		265	201800	BB - Crowd 1. SITREP#14 2. Command Group Alpha located at (ATNARAR). Command Group B no change. 3. Command Group Alpha proceeding on to obj. Command Group B awaiting orders for displacement. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Command Group A establishing defense positions and local patrol at same coord. Command Group Bravo continues defensive positions this CP and running local patrols. 7. No change.	S,F
2255		266	202255	Crowd - BB SPAR reports for info only early afternoon 1. 968626 2. 921984.	MS,F
2300		267	202300	BB - Crowd 1.SITREP #15 2. No change. 3 - 7 No Change.	
0600		268	210600	BB - Crowd 1. SITREP #15 2. No change. 3. No change. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Command Group Alpha will stay same positionawaiting	S,F

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				orders to move to obj. Command Group Bravo will do same . 7. No change.	
1100		269	211100	BB - Crowd 1. SITREP#17 2. Command Group Alpha between Phase Blue and Phase Line Yellow. Command Group Bravo at old CP. 3. Command Group Alpha and 2 Co's moving toward Phase Line Yellow. Command Group Bravo and 2 Co's awaiting orders for displacement. 4. Neg. 5. None 6. Command Group Alpha and 2 Co's continue to move to Phase line Yellow. Command Group Bravo and 2 Co's watiing orders for displacement. 7. No change.	S,F
1800		270	211800	BB - Crowd 1. SITREP #18 2. Command Group Alpha w/2 Co's at grid coord 924498. Command Group Bravo w/2 Co's at old CP. 3. Command Group Alpha conducted helo lift to obj. Command Group Bravo continued security of defensive positions at old CP. Awaiting orders for displacement. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Command Group Alpha w/2 Co's will continue security of defensive positions at coord same in line 2. and conduct local patrols. Command Group Bravo w/2Co's will continue security this CP and conduct local patrols. 7. No change.	S,F
2300		271	212300	BB - Crowd 1. SITREP #19 2 - 7 No change.	S,F
0600		272	220600	BB - Crowd 1. SITREP #20 2 - 3 No change. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Command Group Alpha with 2 Co's run local patrols.	S,F

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				Command Group Bravo with 2 Co's awaiting orders for displacement. 7. No change.	
1130		273	221130	BB - Crowd Spot Rpt A. Pils B. 221130H C. FR 975567 EN 984564 D. At 221730H Tanic Acid spotted 1 NVA at 984564. E. Checked area with scope on Rock Pile F-Q N/A.	S,F
1100		274	221100	BB - Crowd 1. SITREP #21 2. No change. 3. No change. 4. See Spot Rpt. 5. None. 6. No change. 7. No change.	
1800		275	221800	BB - Crowd 1. SITREP#22 2. No change. 3. No change. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Conduct local patrols and awaiting orders for displacement. 7. No change.	S,F
2300		276	222300	BB - Crowd 1. SITREP#23 2. No change. 3. No change. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Command Group Alpha w/2 Co's continue local patrols at their CP. Command Group Bravo w/2 Co's continues security this CP and runs local patrol 7. No change.	S,F
1100		277	231100	BB - Crowd 1. SITREP #25 2. No change. 3. No change. 4. Neg 5. None. 6. Command Group Alpha w/2 Co's continue patroling and security of that position. Command Group Bravo w/2 Co's awaiting orders for displacement. 7. No change.	S,F
1800		278	231800	BB - Crowd 1. SITREP #26 2. No change. 3. Local patrols. 4. Neg 5. None. 6. No change 7. No change.	S,F
2300		279	232300	BB - Crowd 1. SITREP #27 2. No change. 3. Local patrols both CP.	S,F

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				4. Neg 5. None. 6. Local patrols and ambushes at both CP's. 7. No change.	
0600		280 ~~240600~~	240600	BB - Crowd 1. SITREP#28 2. No change. 3. Local patrols and ambushes. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6 & &7 No change.	S,F
1100		281	241100	Pil - Starboard 1. SITREP #29 2. 927500 3. Local patrols ran by Pil forward units. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Continuing helo lift of Pil rear element. 7. No change.	S,F
1700		282	241700	Pil - Starboard 1. SITREP#30 2. No change. 3. Completed troop lift. Companies G & H with Command Group Bravo departed this position for Vic 9152. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Conduct local patrols and OP's. 7. No change.	S,F
2300		283	242300	Pil - Starboard 1. SITREP #31 2. No change. 3. Local patrols 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Local patrols and ambushes. 7. No change.	S,F
0600		284	250600	Pil - Starboard 1. SITREP #32 2. No change. 3. Local patrols and ambushes. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. No change. 7. No change.	S,F
1100		285	251100	Pil - Starboard 1. SITREP #33 2. No change. 3. Conducted local patrols this position. Companies H & G with Command Group Bravo operating vic 9152. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Continue local patrols Command Group B and two companies return this CP. 7. No change.	S,F

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1700		286	251700	Pil - Starboard 1. SITREP #34 2. No change. 3. Conducted local patrols. Command Group B and 2 companies returned this positions. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Conduct local patrols and OP's. 7. No change.	S,F
1300		287	261300	Pil - Starboard 1. SITREP #39 2. 934478 3. Moved from Hill 492 to this position. 4. Lead elements of Pil-F and G made contact with approx 40 NVA. 5. See Pil-2 spot report to follow. 6. Consolidate at present position and check out area. 7. FR. KIA -7 WIA 40 NBC 185 EN KIA 12 WIA unk.	S,F
1245		288	261245	Pil - Starboard Spot Rpt A. Pil B. 261245H C. FR 934478 EN 934478 D. Pil-F screening Pils movement south at above coordinates made contact with estimated 40 NVA in Khaki uniforms and 1 50 cal MG. Enemy attempted to flee north along trail and ran into lead elements Pil-G. NVA caught in cross fire. Became disorganized and fled to east and west. E. Pursued by fire and called CAS and artillery on possible escape routes. F 3 G. 12 H. N/A I 6 NVA J. N/A K N/A L N/A M 4 automatic wpns type unk. N. Medical supplies, 40 Chi Com grenades, 3 RPG rockets, 70 lb rice, assorted ammo and magazines. Q. NVA platoon surprised by Pil movements. P. Engaged NVA. Presently conducting sweep of entire area.	M,S,F

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2300		289	262300	Pil - Starboard 1. SITREP #41 2. No change. 3. Conduct local patrols and ambushes. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Continue local patrols and ambush 7. FR KIA & WIA 13 NBC 185 EN KIA 12.	S,F
0600		290	270600	Pil - Starboard 1. SITREP #42 2. No change. 3. Conducted local patrols and ambushes. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Continuing to throughly search area having Pil-H move farther south along trail. 7. No change.	S,F
1100		291	271100	Pil - Starboard 1. SITREP #42 2. No change. 3. Pil-H moved approx 800 meters south to check out trail. Rest of companies remained in area and check out. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Pil units preparing to move out. 7. No change.	S,F
1700		292	271700	Pil - Starboard 1. SITREP #44 2. 947471 3. Pil units setting up night positions. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Conduct local patrols and ambushes. 7. FR KIA & WIA No change NBC 190 EN KIA No change.	S,F
2300		293	272300	Pil - Starboard 1. SITREP #45 2. 947471 3. Conduct local patrols. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Continues local patrols . 7. No change.	S,F
0600		294	280600	Pil - Starboard 1. SITREP #46 2. No change. 3. Link up all pil units and resupply. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Move out as discussed with Starbaord 6. 7. No change.	S,F

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1200		295	281200	Pil - Starboard 1. SITREP #47 2. No change. 3. Awaiting resupply. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Patrol activity. 7. No change.	S,F
1700		296	281700	Pil - Starboard 1. SITREP #48 2. No change. 3. Conduct local patrols. 4. Neg. 5. See Pil-2 spot rpt. 6. Local patrols and ambushes. 7. No change.	S,F
2300		297	282300	Pil - Starboard 1. SITREP #49 2. No change. 3. Conduct patrols and ambushes. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Continue patrols and ambushes. 7. No change.	S,F
0500		298	290500	Pil - Starboard 1. SITREP #50 2. No change. 3. Conducted local patrols and ambushes. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Commencing at 0830 if unabled to be resupply Pil units will move south east on same route. 7. No change.	S,F
1100		299	291100	Pil - Starboard 1. SITREP #51 2. 963453. 3. Pil units on the move. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Continue movement. 7. No change.	S,F
1500		300	291500	Pil - Starboard Spot Rpt A. Pil-E B. 291500H C. FR. 978446 EN. 976435 D. Lead elements spotted approx 40 VC moving in vic of bridge on route #9. E. Pil-E took under fire with S/A 60mm and arty. Pil-E now checking out area. F&G Neg I,J,K Unk MN neg. O VC moving in open. P. Taken under fire. Q. Checking area.	S,F

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1700		301	291700	Pil - Starboard 1. SITREP #51 2. 984437. 3. Pil lead elements moved to Route #9. Lead elements will reach this position approx 1730. 4. See spot rpt. 5. see spt rpt. 6. Awaiting instructions from Starboard. 7. No change.	S,F
2300		302	292300	Pil - Starboard 1. SITREP #52 2. 984437. 3. Set in night defensive positions. Conduct patrols and ambushes 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Conduct patrols and ambushes. 7. No change.	S,F
0500		303	300500	Pil - Starboard 1. SITREP #53 2. No change. 3. Conducted local patrols. 4. Neg. 5. None. 6. Prepare to helo lift to arty positions. 7. No change.	S,F
2400			312400	Journal Closed.	

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