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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
1 December to 31 December 1968

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

3d Battalion, 9th Marines	LtCol E. R. LAINE JR. 1-31 December 1968

SUBORDINATE UNITS

H&S Company	1stLt W B. SHULTZ 1-14 December 1968 2nd Lt R.E. EUBANK 15-31 December
Company I	Capt. J.U. ARROYO 1-31 December 1968
Company K	1stLt R.A. ARENA 1-31 December 1968
Company L	1stLt R.C. BENFATTI 1-31 December 1968
Company M	Capt. T.F. HINKLE 1-31 December 1968

ATTACHED UNITS

F Battery 2nd Battalion, 12th Marines

Company C, 3d Engineer Battalion

Company C, 3d Shore Party Battalion

9th M T Bn.

2. LOCATION

1-24 - QUAN BA LONG District, Quang Tri Province RVN

24-26- VANDEGRIFT COMBAT BASE, Quang Tri Privince RVN

26-28- QUAN CAM LO District, Quang Tri Province RVN

28-31- QUAN TRIEU PHONG District, Quang Tri Province RVN

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3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer	Maj. A.L. FINK 1-31 December 1968
S-1	1stLt E.H. MEYER JR 1-31 December 1968
S-2	2ndLt L.E. HAMBLIN 1-31 December 1968
S-3	Maj. J.C. WILSON 1-31 December 1968
S-4	Capt. J.J. BURKHART 1-31 December 1968
S-4A	Capt. V.R. HARGOOD 15-31 December 1968

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC		USN	
Officer	Enlisted	Officer	Enlisted
43	1072	2	45

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During the period of 1-31 December 1968, the 3d Battalion 9th Marines participated in operations in the QUAN PA LONG and QUAN TRIEU PHONG Districts located within the 3d Marine Division's area of operations.

On 1 December 1968 the 3d Battalion 9th Marines was located on and around FSB TON THERN and still engaged in Operation DAWSON RIVER AFTON, which began during the month of November. During this operation the Battalion's mission was to conduct detailed search and clear operations and to seek out, capture or kill the enemy, capture his supply facilities and destroy his positions and emplacements. This operation turned out to be of long duration, ending on 25 December 1968. By the end of the operation the Battalion had swept to the eastern boundry of the QUAN PA LONG District and it was in this area that the Battalion suffered two friendly KIAs and two WIA. Results of Operation DAWSON RIVER AFTON were impressive, with many enemy

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bunkers, compl[illegible] caches, and structures destroyed. In addition were (22) 122mm rockets, (26) B-40 rockets, (1) mortar, (1) 75mm recoilless rifle, 10 sub-machine guns, 82 individual weapons and 16,883 rounds of small arms ammunition captured. There were 20 enemy KIAs (confirmed) listed for this operation.

On 26 December 1968 the 3d Battalion, 9th Marines was relocated to the Rehabilitation Center on the Cua Viet River, for two days of Rest and Recuperation

On 28 December 1968 the 3d Battalion, 9th Marines returned to VCB and from there, were helilifted to the western portion of the QUAN TRIEU PHONG District, to begin Operation DAWSON RIVER This operation did not have very lucrative results. Search and clear operations were conducted in the area immediately surrounding FSB HOLCOMB in the D-5 area with no contact made and the operation was secured on 31 December 1968.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. FMF organization committed to combat.

a. Combat mission assigned

(1) To continue assigned mission of Operation DAWSON RIVER AFTON To conduct detailed search and clear operations and find the enemy, his caches, facilities and positions, kill or capture the enemy or destroy his will to fight.

(2) Conduct a helilorne assult on and around FSB HOLCOME and to saturate the immediate area with patrols and flush out any enemy possibly operating within that area, to kill or capture the enemy and destroy his positions.

b. Significant operations conducted.

(1) Operation DAWSON RIVER AFTON

(2) Operation DAWSON RIVER

c. Casualties inflicted on the enemy.

KIA (Confirmed) 20

d. Casualties sustained

KIA 2 USMC Enl.

WIA 2 USMC Enl.

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e. New techniques employed ------NONE

f. Command relations coordination and assistance from supporting units was excellent at all levels

g. Equipment During this period there were no serious problems with equipment. Normal Marine Corps issue was sufficient in all respects.

h. Logistics Support received during this period was quite adequate to support operations.

j. Administration The administrative details were handled without difficulties during this period

k. Personnel Replacement personnel were available in sufficient numbers during this period and the Battalion strength was maintained at a sastisfactory level.

l. Intelligence

(1) Weather

(a) Temperature- The average high for the month of December was 82-87 degrees fahrenheit. The mean minimum temperature ranged between 60-65 degrees fahrenheit.

(b) Winds- Winds during the month of December were mostly from the east northeast at an average of 7-12 knots per hour, with occasional gusts up to 25 knots per hour.

(c) Precipitation- The precipitation was greatest toward the end of the month. The accumulated amount of rainfall during the month was 6-7 inches

(d) Humidity- The relative humidity averaged 84%

(e) Cloudiness- Cloudiness increased toward the end of the month and clouds were broken to scattered at 3000 to 4000 feet. The sun shown through 6 out of 10 days.

(f) Visibility- Visibility averaged 4-6 miles and was limited to 1-3 miles in the early morning and late afternoon.

(2) Terrain

(a) Observation- Observation was limited at times by the thick undergrowth and forest. Fields of fire had to be cleared and were also limited by the trees and brush.

(b) Cover- Cover was good in that the trees, bomb craters, ridges and mountain tops themselves provided some degree of protection Concealment was good in the forest areas and was aided by the use of camoflaged utilities.

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(e) Obstacles- There were no manmade obstacles but natural obstacles included steep hills, thickly forested terrain and occasionally a river or stream.

(f) Terrain- The key terrain includes many high ridges and peaks The most prominent features were Hill 512, the Dong Co Tien mountain range, the Dong Ha Ri mountain range; Hills # 742,636,848,386,344, and 218. In addition, there was FSB DAVIS at YD 249291.

(g) Avenues of Approach included the numerous fingers and ridges, a well developed trail system, stream beds and numerous draws.

(h) This unit established many HLZ's and used many which were already in existance. The following is a listing of HLZ's constructed by this unit

BOA	YD 998338	1- CH-46
BOUGAINVILLE	YD 002377	1- CH-46
CONSTITUTION	YD 002372	1- CH-46
LANGLEY	YD 025354	1- CH-46
TICONDEROGA	YD 039353	1- CH-46
TUN TAVERN	YD 059328	1- CH-53
MOOSE	YD 060348	1- CH-46
MERRIMAC	YD 123321	1- CH-46
DUMFRIES	YD 096334	1- CH-46
NUTMEG	YD 1[illegible]4303	1- CH-46
CHIEF	YD 0[illegible]5361	1- CH-46
GOLD	YD 173239	1- CH-46
HASTINGS	YD 177328	1- CH-46
GULF	YD 198305	1- CH-46
YORKTOWN	YD [illegible]5318	1- CH-46
RANGER	YD 2[illegible]3347	1 CH-46
DUNKIRK	YD 267278	1 CH 46
OYSTER	YD 2[illegible] 308	1- CH 46
RHINO	YD 27[illegible]323	1- CH 46
COLLIE	YD 251349	1- CH-46
BENNINGTON	YD 141299	1- CH-46
COBALT	YD 321355	1- CH-46
GUADALCANAL	YD 263331	1- CH-46

The following already existing zones were further developed and used by this unit

IDAHO	YD 17[illegible]320	1- CH-46
MIAMI	YD [illegible]237	1- CH-46
DAVIS	YD 24[illegible]291	3- CH-46

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(3) Enemy

(a) Enemy activity- The enemy still seemed to be avoiding contact with allied units. On 11 November 1968 when we first began this operation Kilo Company had contact with approximately six (6) NVA and received S/A and mortar fire. Upon moving to the area around HLZ D VIS we again encountered an estimated two squads of NVA on 8 December 1968. We continued to sight small groups of NVA until the termination of the operation several times attempting to engage them in a fire fight, but each time the NVA broke the contact.

m. Communications The Radio Section has continued to provide communications for the Battalion as well as to higher Headquarters, utilizing both covered and uncovered circuits. Telephone communications are established in the Battalion Rear and to VCB The Message Center at the Battalion Rear received 465 messages and had 10 outgoing during the month of December. Transmitter and receiver elements for the H-189 handset and modules for the AN/PRC-25 are still in critical shortage.

n. Fire Support

(1) The 2nd Battalion, 12 Marines fired in support of the Battalion during this reporting period.

(2) Fire missions are broken down as follow

	No.	Rounds Expended
Observed Missions	119	3389
Preparatory Mission	563	19284
H&I/TOT	549	4213
	TOTAL ROUNDS	26886

o. Air Support A detailed breakdown of missions flown in support of the Battalion is listed below.

TYPE	FLIGHTS OF PARTIES
Helicopter Medevacs	5 CH-34's 27 CH-46's 5 CH-53's
Helicopter Resupply	445 CH-46's 19 CH-53's

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Helicopter Trooplifts	335 CH-46's 2 CH-53's
Helicopter Passenger Lifts	9 Hueys 18 CH-34's 98 CH-46's 1 CH-47 16 CH-53's
Helicopter C&C	23
Helicopter VIP	39
A. O.'s	86
Flareship	1
CAS	36
Fixed Wing	6

p. Chaplain

(1) Divine Services ---- Protestant

(a) Number of services 6

(b) Total attendance 93

(2) Divine Services--- Catholic

(a) Number of services 3

(b) Total attendance 60

(3) Significant Events

(a) Counselling interviews held 17

(b) Six letters were written on behalf of this Battalion.

(c) Thirty-four food packages were received during December. Food was distributed to personnel in the field.

q. Medical

(1) The medical status of this Battalion is sat-

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isfactory and m[illegible]al supplies have improved during this period.

(2) The Medical Department's personnel strength is now 52 Hospital Corpsman and 1 Medical Officer.

(3) Sanitary conditions of the Battalion are satisfactory and improvements are in progress.

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021300HD-031855HD

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
		1	021300H	Journal opened	
		2	021300H	The 2nd Plt of Company B 1/9 is now OPCON to 3/9 as of this time. Their posit is at Coord YD 144335.	
		3	021430H	Company K at Coord YD 168312 found 2 field generators with field carrying straps attached, 1 new switchboard 14"x18"x4", 8 pint bottles of hydrochloric acid, 5 lbs of TNT. Switchboard and generators were still in crates.	S-Regt
		4	021700H	CG 3rd Mar Div and party visited Company K posit	S-Regt
		5	021800H	3/9 night posits CP YD 058326 Company I YD 152327 Company K, 81mm mortar Plt, and 106 RR Plt YD 172319 Company L YD 058326 Company M YD 170291 Plt of Company I YD 178327 Plt of Company K YD 185322 2nd Plt of Company B 1/9 YD 144335	
		6	030800H	Company I commenced move to posit at Coord YD 178327	S-Regt
		7	031800H	Company I completed move to posit and joined with their Plt at Coord YD 178327	S-Regt
		8	031855H	Journal closed	

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
		1	031859H	Journal opened	
		2	031900H	3/9 night posits CP YD 058326 Company I YD 178327 Company K, 81mm mortar Plt and 106 RR Plt YD 172319 Company L YD 058326 Company M YD 170291 Plt of Company K YD 198324 Plt of Company B 1/9 YD 144335	
		3	040730H	Company M commenced a move to a posit a t Coord YD 198305	S-Regt
		4	040845H	Company K at Coord YD 169319 found 1 hootch, 7 82mm mortar rounds, 2 60mm mortar rounds, 4 RPG rounds, 13 82mm fuzes, all gear appeared to be old. Destroyed ordanance w/demo.	S-Regt
		5	041115H	Company K at Coord YD 169322 found 6 hootches w/bunkers underneath, 60 friction blasting caps, 200 electric blasting caps, 75 fuse lighters, 1 bag of powder, 1 82mm round, and 16 82mm charges. Bag of powder had markings "VOI CHONG AM" Destroyed w/demo	S-Regt
		6	041400H	Company M halted move to posit at Coord YD 198305 Company M night posit is at Coord YD 189286.	S-Regt
		7	041700H	Journal closed	

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
		1	041701H	Journal opened	
		2	041720H	Company M at Coord YD 191284 found 20 "A" frame hootches, all about 4'x4'x5'. Appears to be a two to four month old one night stand for 50 to 60 people. Destroyed by inhabitants prior to departure. No trails located. Hootches did not appear to be Montagnard but were tactically positioned. Searched area with negative results.	S-Regt
		3	041900H	3/9 night posits CP YD 058326 Company I YD 178327 Company K YD 172319 Company L YD 058326 Company M YD 189286 Plt of Company K, 81mm mortar Plt and 106 RR Plt YD 198324 Plt of Company M YD 170291 2nd Plt of Company B 1/9 YD 144335	
		4	050800H	Company M commenced move to posit at Coord YD 198305	S-Regt
		5	050830H	Company M at Coord YD 194283 found 3 fire sites beside stream, approx. 10 days old, 1 grave covered w/rocks. Grave contained 1 decomposed body in body bag. Body was buried with 7.82 gear Marking on tree above grave (DING-K-8-16-8-16) Found 1 penicillin bottle and 1 cooking pot near cooking fires. Continue assigned mission. Continuing to search area.	S-Regt
		6	050831H	Journal closed	

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
		1	051400H	Journal opened	
		2	051500H	Company I at Coord YD 177335 found a trail 6 to 8 ft wide running from YD 178335 to YD 179345 Trail appeared to have been heavily used but not recently. Trail narrows down and continues north to YD 178-353 Trail going south disappears at YD 177334. Continuing to search area	S-Regt
		3	051700H	Task Force Hotel and party visited CP and Company L 3/9 posit.	S-Regt
		4	051800H	Company M halted move to posit at Coord YD 198305 Company M night posit is at Coord YD 196296	S-Regt
		5	051900H	3/9 night posits CP YD 058326 Company I YD 178327 Company K YD 172319 Plt of Company K YD 1633;3 Plt of Company K, 81mm mortar Plt and 106 RR Plt YD 198324 Company L YD 058326 Company M YD 196296 2nd Plt Company B 1/9 YD 144335	
		6	051905	Journal Closed.	

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060001HD-061305HD

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
		1	060001H	Journal opened	
		2	060730H	Company K at Coord YD 163313 found 36 rounds 7.62 postol ammo, 2 magazines with 30 round capacity, 7 rounds 7.62 short, 5 rounds 7.62 long, 3 NVA gas masks-non filter type, 4 w/filters, 6 NVA E-Tools, 3 Chi-Com grenades, 4 grenade pouches, parts of 2 RPG rounds, 6 bottles of pills, 3 bottles Yellow-Brown salve, 1 vile of penicillin, 2 syringes(50 cc capacity) made in China on side, plastic container for surgical catgut, 1 bayonet, 1 NVA machette, all medicine was deteriated and unserviceable. All gear appeared 3-4 months old. Destroyed gear by demo.	S-Regt
		3	060800H	Company M commenced move to posit at Coord YD 198305	S-Regt
		4	060900H	Company L at Coord YD 058338 saw 1 person wearing green trousers, no shirt or weapon. Ran in northerly direction into bushes Searching area.	S-Regt
		5	061030H	Company L at Coord YD 069324 sighted 2 persons moving in an easterly direction. Persons were in heavy brush and couldnot determine if they were carrying weapons. Searching area	S-Regt
		6	061300H	Company M completed move to posit at Coord YD 198305.	S-Regt
		7	061305H	Journal closed	

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		1	061800H	Journal opened	
		2	061900H	3/9 night posits CP YD 058326 Company I YD 178327 Company K YD 172319 Plt of Company K, 81mm mortar Plt, and 106 RR Plt YD 198324 Company L YD 058326 Company M YD 196296 2nd Plt of Company B YD 144335 1/9	
		3	071130H	Company M at Coord. YD 198296 found a trail running N.E to S.W. Trail appeared to have been heavily used in past 1-2 weeks. Along trail found 1 hootch that appeared to have been occupied in past 10 days, in same area along trail found stake w/TB-75 written on it and pointing down trail. 25 meters from stake found grave w/1 body badly burned "approx 10 days old" wrapped in black cloth. Continue to search trail. 1 enemy confirmed.	S-Regt
		4	071135H	Journal closed	

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
		1	071150H	Journal opened	
		2	071354H	Company M at Coord YD 200295 found 1 NVA type pack. Back of pack was moist with sweat. Pack contained 1 cellophane wrapper containing pills, 2 small bowls, 2 kettles- 1 empty & 1 containing fresh cooked rice, 1 Chi-Com grenade, 1 canteen uncooked rice, 1 battle dressing, 1 cellophane bag containing unidentified powder, 1 small bottle containing gasoline, 1 bamboo pipe, 2 bottles containing US type insect repellent, 1 black plastic bag containing unidentified powder, 1 handkerchief, US toilet paper and matches, 1 small ink bottle, 1 bag containing uncooked rice, 1 pair green under shorts, 1 green T-shirt, 1 Khaki shirt, 2 pack straps, and 1 bar of soap. Will return pack and contents to this posit Calling in Arty and 60mm mission.	S-Regt
		3	071355	Boundry changes upon receipt of this message from present boundary at YD 1837 West along P7 to YD 1537 North on 15 to BLUE LINE at YD 150-404. Follow BLUE LINE east to present boundary Effective 080700H delete present boundary at YD 1727 east to YD 2127 and to present boundary YD 2137 north.	S-Regt
		4	071400H	Journal closed	

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		1	071600H	Journal opened	
		2	071630H-	Company M between Coords YD 203310-YD 200313 found 2 small LZs. One surrounded by 57 fighting holes and about 100 fighting holes along trail between two LZs. Found 30 M-16 rounds, 1 Viet cover (possibly NVA), 1 broken BA-386, 1 3" candle, 3 used smoke grenades, 2 bamboo baskets, 1 pair NVA tennis shoes, 1 US Jungle boot, 1 US helmet liner, 2 12"x12" pieces of cardboard with Viet writing, 3 empty Viet cigarette packs. All items appear to be 3 to 6 months old Cardboard to be forwarded to 3/9	S-Regt
		3	071700H	CG 3rd Mar Div and party visited Company K posit and CO 9th Mar Regt and party visited FSB BARNETT	S-Regt
		4	071900H	3/9 night posits CP YD 058326 Company I YD 178327 Company K YD 172319 Plt of Company K, 81mm Mortar Plt, and 106 RR Plt YD 198324 Company L YD 058326 Company M YD 198305 2nd Plt of Company B 1/9 YD 144335	
		5	081140H	3/9 CP and Company I, Company K, Company L commenced helilift to posits at Coord YD 248291 CP and Company K, YD 262297 Company I, YD 259292 Company L	S-Regt
		6	081200H	Journal closed	

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
		1	081230H	Journal opened	
		2	081300H	Company M at Coord YD 189309 found old bivouac area, 7 frame hootches 6'x5' 3-6 months old. At Coord YD 191309 found 1 well developed trail heading in southeasterly direction. At Coord YD 194300 found 6 hootches 6'x5' 3-6 months old, 3 cooking pots well developed trail running from this area to Coord YD 189309 Check area thoroughly.	S-Regt
		3	081400H	Company M at Coord YD 189298 received approx 100 rounds of small arms fire from north west. Returned small arms fire, spotted 4 NVA running. 2 were hit with small arms fire and fell and didn't move. Requested AO, firing Arty mission Firing 60mm mission. Enemy(2) confirmed. At Coord YD 189298 while exploiting previous contact Company M found 3 hootches, 1 10'x8' on top of finger. Appeared to be a CP, 1 20'x10' in draw appeared to be a messhall, 1 40'x20' appeared to be living quarters, 1 grease gun approx .32 cal w/magazine serial # 2063548 dated 1954, 1 bag w/400 rounds 7.62 short, 5 loaded AK-47 magazines, 1 empty AK-47 magazine, 1 pouch, 1 personal diary, 1 book of snap-shots, 1 book w/pictures no writing, 1 NVA helmet, 10 machettes, 3 NVA picks, 6 NVA E-Tools, 2 NVA canteens, 1 ARVN canteen, 1 US cartridge belt, 1 Chi-Com grenade wrapped in black cloth, 5 lbs of rice in sand bag, 1 small bag of	S-Regt

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		3	081400H	rice, 2 kettles, 1 kettle cover, 4 baskets, 1 grinding stick, 2 porcellan bowls, assorted cooking utensils, 1 tin canister, 1 battle dressing, 1 bottle of vitamins, 1 bottle of salve, 1 bottle pills, 2 plastic bags with white powder, 1 theromometer, 10 burlap bags, 1 sheet plastic, 1 pr. back pajama bottoms, 4 shirts, 1 pr. HO Chi Minh sandles, 2 bags containing unmarked khakis, 2 green scivvy shorts, 1 black shorts, 3 pr. socks, 2 gray & black, 1 green scivvy shirt, 10 cloth bags, 1 green blanket, 1 small bottle of gasoling, 1 chisel, and assorted health items. Destroyed hootches, other gear will be returned to Co. M cp. to be forwarded to Regt. There were a total of 7 NVA in the contact with Co. M. 5 were seen dragging the other 2 bodies off. Will continue to search area of contact tomorrow.	
		4	081500H	3/9 CP, Co. I, Co. K, & Co. L. completed helilift to their respective posits. CP&K at coord. 248291, Co. I at coord. 262297, and Co. L at coord. 259292.	S-Regt
		5	081540H	Co. L at coord. 260290 found 1 sleeping hootch for approx. 15 men, used last 6 months ago, 1 NVA pack was found. Thoroughly searched area.	S-Regt
		6	081600H	Journal closed	S-Regt.

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		1	081830H	Journal Opened	S-Regt
		2	081900H	3/9 Night Posits. CP. YD248291 Co. I YD262247 Co. K, a sect. of 81's plt. & a sect. of 106 RR. plt. 248291 A plt. of K, A sect. of 81's, a sect of 106 RR. plt. 198324 Co. L YD259292 Co. M YD198305 2nd plt. of Co. B. 1/9 144335	S-Regt
		3	081941H	Frag order 121-68. situation-No change. Mission -No change, execution-for 3/9- continue assigned mission, continue to exploit trail complex. Enter arclite strike, zone, submit BDA. Admin and logistics-No change command and comm-no change.	S-Regt
		4	090800H	Co. L at coord YD262288 found 165 fighting holes, 50 hootches, 5 cooking pits, scattered U S. ration cans, 1 BA386 wired to a flashlight several empty packs of U.S , French and English cigarettes.	S-Regt
		4	090845H	Co. M at coord YD202304 found well developed trail running southeast to east. Appears to have been recently used.	S-Regt
		5	091105	Co. L at coord YD269292 found NVA campsite approx. 6 months old. Two overnight hootches 4'x5'x4' believed to be used for NVA cooking locations. 1 NVA E-tool&1 pr. burnt trousers also found, also found area large enough for company sized unit to construct hootches. Checked [redacted]	

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		5	091105	area, negative results, Destroyed camp, continue on assigned mission.	
		6	091230	Co. L at coord 266284 found 1 hootch 25'x15'x9' with reinforced under ground basement measuring 12'x15'x 4' walls reinforced with logs, in basement found 19mm magazine, 1 AK-47 magazine, 2lbs tnt, 3 NVA packs, 2 cartridge belts, 1 magazine pouch 2 canteens, 1 uniform(Marking indicate infantry uniform, 1 NVA pick, 3 viles injection medicine, 2 viles sulpher drugs, 1 tube tetracycline, 100 rds of 12.7 mm ammo, 50 rds 9mm ammo, 1 m-16 bayonet, 50rds ak-47 ammo, assorted clothing, assorted documents, 50 meters from Hootch found 1 grave dated 21-10-68 containing 1 body wrapped in ponchos, found I.D.card reading Nguyen Duc Khan, birth date 15-1-1937, stamped with seal from Hanoi, destroyed hootch& ammo &gear with demo. Holding medicine & documents for S-2 3/9. 1 enemy confirmed.	S-Regt
		7	091430H	Co I at coord 277296 found 4 bamboo hootches, 1 hootch contained 2 clay stoved, hootches appeared 1 year old, used within last month, destroyed hootches.	S-Regt
		8	091500H	Journal Closed	

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		1	091530H	Journal Opened	S-Regt
		2	091532H	Co. I at coord 265306 patrol received 35 rounds of incoming small arms automatic weapons fire after hearing movement in brush, returned small arms fire, firing mortar mission, will check area following fire mission.	S-Regt
		3	091700H	X.O. 9th Mar. and party visited 3/9 CP.& Co.K. posit.	S-Regt
		4	091738H	Co. I at coord 256304 upon search of area after initial contact found 4 130mm rocket projectiles with 3 boosters. A.O. working with Co. I received several rounds incoming, small arms fire 500 meters north of patrol. Day activities will provide thorough search of area on 09 Dec. Will Destroy rockets which were hidden. Heavy H&I's programmed for tonite.	S-Regt
		5	091900H	3/9 Night Posits CP. YD248291 Co. I YD269295 Co. K A sect of 81's, a sect. of 106's YD248291 A plt. of Co. K, a sect. of 81's a sect. of 106's YD198324 Co. L YD259292 Co B 2nd plt. 1/9 YD 144335	S-Regt
		6	092400H	Journal Closed	S-Regt

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
		1	100001H	Journal Opened	S-Regt
		2	100600H	Effective at this time the following boundry changes between 9th Marines and 1st Brigade is effective from present boundaries at 150465 south to 150370 east to present boundries at 274370.	S-Regt
		3	100800H	Co. I commenced attack to coord 255308	S-Regt
		4	100800H	Commenced move to a posit at coord 268278.	S-Regt
		5	100915H	Co. K at coord 243290 found old enemy bunkers underneath. Position had been partially destroyed by arty. Destroyed remaining hootches&bunkers.	S-Regt
		6	101057H	Co. I at coord 256304 sighted 3 NVA and fired small arms, NVA fired AK-47's and ran to the north requested A.O. firing 106's & 81's.	S-Regt
		7	101340H	Co. I at coord 259301 received small arms fire from 1 automatic weapon, returned small arms fire, exploiting contact.	S-Regt
		8	101400H	Co. I at coord 259301 continues to receive small arms, 1automatic, 1 maching gun, approx 4-5 NVA firing found 3 bunkers and freshly made packs. Continuing to exploit contact. Firing arty mission. 2 friendly KIA's, 1 friendly WIA4	S-Regt
		9	101430H	Journal Closed	

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
		1	101500H	Journal Opened	
		2	101600H	Co. I at coord, 259301 while exploiting contact, found in area 25 packs, 3 medical packs, some documents, area has not been thoroughly checked yet. continue to search area.	S-Regt
		3	101600H	Co. L completed move to a posit at coord 268278.	S-Regt
		4	101700H	CG 3rd Mar. Div and party visited t this position.	S-Regt
		5	101730H	Co. I Halted move for the Day at coord 268278.	S-Regt
		6	101900H	3/9 Night Positions Cp. YD2482291 Co. I Yd2583404 Co. K YD248291 a sect. 81's & 106's 1 plt. of K co. a sect. of 81's & 106's YD198324 Co. L YD268278 Com M YD198305 2nd plt. of co. B 1/9 YD144335	S-Regt
		7	102000H	Co. I at coord 257303, in grids 267317 & 262311 observed movement with flashlights, firing arty mission	S-Regt
		8	102400H	Journal Closed	

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		1	110930H	Journal Opened	
		2	111300H	Co. I at coord 261301 after thoroughly checking area of yeaterday's contact found 3 hootches, 1 6'x10'x6', 1 10'x20'x8', 1 8'x5', 4 large outdoor toilet facilities "non flush type", 25lbs of scattered rice, 5 lbs salt, 1 pr. cut off utility trousers-U.S. type., 1 bottle halizone, assorted U.S. type gear, 6 canteen pouches, 1 BA-386 battery, 15 pr. socks, 175 sandbags, 3 canteen cups, 1 gallon soybean salad oil, 4 plastic spoons 1 claymore mine U.S. type, 15 E-tools NVA type, 20 AK magazines, 20 gook utility trousers, 1-82mm mortar tube 24 82mm rounds, 7 60mm rounds, 10 cooking pots, 25 packs(previously reported 1500 AK-47 rds., 1 pick, 6 canteens, 9 belts, 1 map case with F-338 on flap. Also papers with viet writing in it, 1 field glass case. First aid pouch, 30 fuses for mortar rds, assorted medical gear, 2 pr. sneakers, assorted documents, 1 lb. tnt., cleaning gear for 50 cal. weapon, 20 cloth bags, 1 assualt rifle (Chech type) in poor condition. Retaining medical gear, 82mm tube, documents, map case, rifle, some clothing. Destroyed rest of gear. Also 4 rocket rds previously reported.	S-Regt
		3	111300H	Journal Closed	

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
		1	11430H	Journal Opened	
		2	11430H	Co. L at coord 277275 found 50' of NVA comm. wire, 6 transisters, 1 rusty M-16 bayonet, NVA ladder, 6 letters of NVA 36 yr.old private.NVA Soldier states he is with D 64-a. Retaining letters for S-2 9th Mar.	S-Regt
		3	111500H	Co. L at coord 273277 found 2 comm. wires of solid copper, 400 meters long, empty c-ration cans, & NVA writting paper.	S-Regt
		4	111640H	Co. K at coord 244299 found old camp area with 6 fighting holes & 2 82mm rds, Trail runs through area, searched area with negative results. Destroyed 82's.	S-Regt
		5	111700H	Task Force Hotel & CO. 9th Marines visited this posit.	S-Regt
		6	111900H	Co. M from dates 8-11 Dec. 68 FM 189298 to 220392 has exploited what is a possible high speed trail between the above grids At the western point of origin a tree is carved with td-53. At the eastern grid a tree is carved with TC-53 Trail generally follows high ground and appears to terminate at western end previously reported on MG 081715 HD. Several feeder trails lead off at western end but none are well used or welldeveloped trail is four to five feet wide. and well used. no bamboo steps or hand rails, at eastern grid trail turns due north. Overlay to be forwarded. Trail will be exploited.	S-Regt

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		7	111900H	3/9 Night posits Cp. YD248291 Co. I YD256305 Co. K a sect. of 81's & 106's YD248291 Co.K a sect of 81's & 106's YD198324 Co.L YD268278 Co.M YD198305 A plt. of Co. M YD228302 2nd Plt. of Co. B 1/9 YD144335	S-Regt
		8	120800H	Co. M commenced move to new posit at coord YD228302	S-Regt
		9	121110H	Co. I at coord. 250304 sighted 1 individual in heavy canopy. Fired small arms & requested A.O. firing 60mm mission.	S-Regt
		10	121125H	Co. I at coord. 250302 received 15-20 rds. of small arms fire. Saw 1 NVA, killed same. Individual had pack but not carring a weapon. Pursuing other NVA. 1 enemy confirmed. Co. M at coord 212305 found 1 LOH-6 (Army type) down. "15417 on tail of helicopter. nothing salvageable aboard, also found 1 NVA in body bag, body badly decomposed, continue mission, 1 enemy confirmed. Co. M at coord 221302 found 1 ripped air mattress, 1 ripped poncho liner, 1 ripped mail bag labeled A, 1 used battle dressing 74rds m-60 ammo, 2 gas masks, 5 trousers, 3 utility jackets, 1 complete helmet, 3 boots, 2 torn ponchos, 2 canteens, 1 T-shirt, 15 M-16 magazines 4 pieces personal mail 3-8 oct. one letter was addressed to an Individual in the 1st Air Cav., 4 fighting holes 2'x8'x3' & 3 fighting holes 2'x4'x3',	S-Regt

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				fighting holes 2'x4'x3', all gear U.S. type, continue to search area!	
		11	121250H	Co M at coord 223302 found 1 NVA grave containing 1 decomposed body with helmet and 1 sack of rice, 1 metal container(salt). Grave was fenced from trail on 3 sides with bamboo matted fence. Searching area continue assigned mission. 1 enemy confirmed	
		12	121355H	Journal Closed	S-Regt

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
		1	121300H	Co. I at coord 250293 reports the body previously reported had the following gear, 1 pack made of U.S. sandbags containing chow with bowl and cooking pot, 2 green shirts-NVA 1 pr. green trousers-NVA, 1 cartridge belt-NVA, 1 U.S. canteen with cover, 1 ak magazine pouch, 1 NVA poncho, 1 mosquito net, 2 silk illumination parachutes, 5 blasting caps (Friction type), 1 plastic bag of pills, 2 pr. shorts, a packet, 1 newspaper(not english), 1 letter and 3 pieces plastic. other NVA retreated in south-easterly direction, description of enemy KIA, 5'1", 100 lbs. Vietnamese, bare footed in green NVA uniform. Clothing, pills and documents being returned to this posit. Body discarded, rest destroyed, staking out body.	S-Regt
		2	121500H	Co. I at coord 251304 found a complex of 13 bunkers, 2 hootches 8'x10'x6', 1 storage bunker, 8 fighting holes, trench line running throughout complex, 3 quadrants, 28 AK-47 rds. 1 canister for NVA gas mask, 3 rolls of electrical wire 25' long, 1 tripod, 1 barrel, 3 sights for a 130mm rocket launcher, 2 fuse boxes for rocket rounds, destroyed positions, will forward equipment to S-2 9thMar.	S-Regt
		3	121510H	Journal Closed	

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		1	121520H	Journal Opened	
		2	121520H	Co. L commenced helilift to new posit at coord. 256305.	S-Regt
		3	121622H	Co.M completed move to new posit at coord 256305	S-Regt
		4	121900H	3/9 Night posits CP. YD248291 Co.I YD256305 Co K sect of 81's and 106's YD248291 Co.K a plt. a sect 81's and 106's YD198324 Co.L YD268278 Co.M YD198305 A plt. of M Co. YD228302 2nd plt. of Co. B 1/9 YD144335	S-Regt
		5	130930H	Co. I at coord 2544304 found 2 graves estimated to be 8 months old. graves had head stones, revealed only bones, continue mission.	S-Regt
		6	130945H	Co. L at coord 258309 found complex of 3 bunkers, approx 2 years old. Bunkers 10'x4'x4' reinforced with logs, 4 fighting holes around area continue mission.	S-Regt
		7	130940H	Journal Closed	

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
		1	130943H	Journal Opened	
		2	131035H	Co. L at coord 256290 found old enemy defense position with trench line, 2 A frame type bunkers 3½'x6'x4' burned hootches 14'x22', destroyed enemy radio searched area with negative further results. Destroyed bunkers, bringing back parts of destroyed radio.	S-Regt
		3	131040H	Co. L at coord 259310 found small bunker complex 3 bunkers and 5 fighting holes. All about 1½ years old, bunkers were 10'x4'x4' reinforced by 4 to 6 inch logs and were flush with deck. Continuing assigned mission.	S-Regt
		4	131045H	Co. I at coord 256303 found bunker complex with 57 bunkers 4'x4'x3', 16 hootches 15'x20', 3 toilet facilities appeared to have been occupied in last month, 4-57RR rds, 2 130mm rocket rounds, 33-60mm rds, 1 sks (very old) 8,000 ak-47 rds, 2 cleaning brushes for 82mm mortar, 15 AK magazines, 3 boxes of fuses, 35-38 caliber rds. will destroy ord~~ances~~ NANCE continue to search.	S-Regt
		5	131056H	Journal Closed	

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
		1	131600H	Journal opened	
		2	131630H	Company I at Coord YD 242314 found 4 hootches 8'x9'x3', 3 bunkers 12'x 8'x4', 1 under every 2 hootches, 4 other bunkers 8'x6'x4', 2 RPG rounds, and 1 SKS rifle. Destroyed hootches and ordnance, retaining SKS.	S-Regt
		3	131700H	Company I at Coord YD 242314 found 40 AK-47 rounds, 2 NVA canteens, 2 AK-47 Magazines, 2 pouches, 1 blue sweat shirt, 1 blue shirt, 2 NVA packs, 1 US pack, 1 pair NVA boots Destroyed gear; retaining shirts.	S-Regt
		4	131720H	Company L at Coord YD 268307 found complex of approx 60 newly constructed bunkers, 10 hootches which were torn down, well used trails leading in several directions A rapid search bagged the following 72 82mm mortar rounds, 9 RPG rounds, 2 AK-47 rifles, 3 grease guns, 3 82mm mortar sights, 5000 rounds 7.62 short, 50 magazines for above weapons, 8 SKS rifles, approx 102 lbs assorted 782 gear US and NVA, and assorted documents. Destroyed ordnance, returning w/weapons, will exploit complex tomorrow.	S-Regt
		5	132015H	Company L at Coord YD 256305 observed lights at Coord YD 262337 Lights didn't show any pattern. Firing Arty Mission.	S-Regt
		6	132020H	Journal closed	

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
		1	131048H	Journal opened	
		2	131100H	Company M at Coord YD 227307 found deserted complex, 3 hootches 30'x12' and 3 hootches 12'x12' appeared destroyed by Army units also pieces of clothing w/no markings and assorted medical gear, some theirs and some ours, returning with the same Searched out area w/negative results Cont assigned mission,	S-Regt
		3	131200H	Company I at Coord YD 251303 found complex of 35 bunkers, 7 SKS rifles, 1 quadrant, 1 NVA cartridge belt, 1 grenade belt, 13 graves(2 w/K-8 markers)most graves dated in 1966. Will destroy ordnance, continue search.	S-Regt
		4	131530H	Company I at Coord YD 244313 found 4 bunkers 4'x6'x8' 20meters apart. Last used approx one week ago. 1 hootch 25'x7'x5', 1 field sewing machine-make of machine (Pearl), 4500 blasting caps, 30 AK-47 rounds, AK magazine w/pouch, 3 viles pencillin, 1 NVA helmet liner, and 2 NVA laundry bags, 1 NVA shirt, destroyed posits and retaining other gear.	S-Regt
		5	131535H	Journal closed	

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		1	132025H	Journal opened	
		2	132030H	3/9 night posits CP YD 248291 Company I YD 256305 Company K, Section 81mm mortar, Section of 106RR YD 248291 Plt Company K, Section 81mm mortar, section 106RR YD 198324 Company L YD 256305 Company M YD 228302 Plt(2nd) Company B 1/9 YD 144335	
		3	140730H	Company L commenced move to a posit at Coord YD 269308	S-Regt
		4	140930H	Company I at Coord YD 249301 found bunker complex, 2 sub-machine guns (new, still, in wrappers), 2 rifles (old, Czek), and assorted documents, continuing to search area	S-Regt
		5	141030H	Company M at Coord YD 237313 found 1 bunker, 19 cans 4"x6" appear to contain lubricant. Gear appears to have been in area 1-2 weeks, Destroyed ammo, retaining lubricant.	S-Regt
		6	141100H	CG 3rd Mar Div and CO 9th Mar Regt visited this posit	S-Regt
		7	141110H	Journal closed	

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		1	141112H	Journal opened	
		2	141115H	Company I at Coord YD 243301 found 1 SKS, Czek rifle, 1 sub-machine gun, 1 M-1 carbine (ser # 555374), 1 portable megaphone w/mike, 2 NVA gas masks, 1 canister, 18 shirts, 8 pair trousers, 4 blue sweat shirts, 1 chisel, assorted medical gear, 8 AK-47 magazine pouches, 8 NVA packs, 5 bunkers 6'x3'x4', 2 toilet facilities, 1 NVA E-Tool, 1 US helmet liner, 2 NVA picks, 1 pair scissors, 1 canteen and cover, 1 US canteen w/cover, Destroyed bunkers, retaining gear	S-Regt
		3	141200H	Company M at Coord YD 236314 found 8 hootches 10'x25', 3 hootches caved in, 5 appeared to have been used in the last 5 days, one bunker 10'x 25' estimated to be only 1 week old 1 tree used for observation post-80 ft hight w/vine ladder going to top Pieces of black pajamas scattered around area 1 US gas mask. Destroyed bunkers, continued assigned mission	S-Regt
		4	141215H	Company I at Coord YD251315 found 1 grave w/body Body had long hair, appeared to be female, was covered w/black cloth, approx 1 year old.	S-Regt
		5	141230H	Journal closed	

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		1	141435H	Journal opened	
		2	141240H	Company I at Coord YD 241306 found 1 bunker 20'x10'x6', 250 AK-47 rounds, 5 NVA E-Tools, 1 large cooking pot, 1 microphone, 1 Chi-Com pouch, 1 rice sack-empty, 12 blasting caps, 1 NVA canteen, 1 US trip flare, 3 AK-47 magazines, 1 NVA shirt (green), 1 pair NVA trousers, 3 RPG rounds, and 10 60mm mortar rounds. Searched area. Returning documents, clothes and microphone to this posit. Destroyed rest with bunkers.	S-Regt
		3	141300H	Company I at Coord YD 241306 found 5 bunkers 5'x7'x8', 12 RPG rounds, assorted documents, destroyed bunkers and ordnance, retaining documents	S-Regt
		4	141430H	Company L at Coord YD 269307 found old ARVN position and A-frame for ponchoes and 30 fighting holes Believed to be an ARVN position because of no canopy. Checked out area	S-Regt
		5	141500H	Company I at Coord YD 241306 found what appeared to be a detector device 2"x4"x8", weight 3 lbs, semi-circular dial in center, battery operated, black in color, w/Chinese writing. Retaining device for S-2 9th Marines	S-Regt
		6	141500H	Company K at Coord YD 254284 found 3 hootches 15'x15' w/bunkers underneath, 1 bottle methiolate and 1 NVA pack. Destroyed bunkers and hootches	S-Regt
		7	141500H	Journal closed	

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141500HD-141800HD

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
		1	141500H	Journal opened	
		2	141500H	Company L at Coord YD 254309 found east to west trail, NVA observation tower 50' high, between 2 trees, tower will hold 1 man and had excellent view of surrounding terrain.	S-Regt
		3	141530H	Company L completed move to posit at Coord YD 269308	S-Regt
		4	141630H	Company M at Coord YD 238317 found complex of bunkers, 6 AK-47 rifles, 4 burp guns and 8 SKS rifles.	S-Regt
		5	141700H	Company L at Coord YD 265305 found 2000 AK-47 rounds, 1 AK-47 rifle, 1 SKS rifle, 2 122mm rockets, assorted rotten clothing, 150' of comm wire, 1 tri-pod w/unidentified weapon weighing approx 80 lbs, possibly a recoiless rifle Destroyed ordnance, retaining weapons.	S-Regt
		6	141700H	Company M at Coord YD 238317 found 5 hootches 10'x25' w/wet clothes hanging outside, 2 bunkers, 1 elaborately built toilet facility apparently built toilet facility for VIP's, 9 5 gallon cans of battle dressings & gauze, 2 unmarked graves, 1 grave marked 1967, 1 hootch had platform and sun porch attached, believed to have been used by the same VIP's as the toilet facility Area appeared to have been recently used. Destroyed positions and gear.	S-Regt
		7	141800H	Journal closed	

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
		1	141825H	Journal closed	
		2	141830H	Company L at Coord YD 265305 reports the unidentified weapon previously reported is a 75mm recoiless rifle complete and in excellent shape. Had no identifying proof marks.	S-Regt
		3	141900H	3/9 nigh posits CP YD 248291 Company I YD 256305 Company K, Section YD 248291 81mm mortar, Section 106 RR Plt of Company K, Section 81mm mortar, 106RR Section YD 198324 Company L YD 269308 Company M YD 228302 2nd Plt Company B 1/9 YD 144335	
		4	150900H	3/9 CP, Company K, Company M, 81mm mortar Plt, 106 RR Plt commenced helilift to new posit. CP, Company K, 81mm mortar Plt, 106 RR Plt at Coord YD 273323 Company M at Coord YD 244337.	S-Regt
		5	151000H	Company L at Coord YD 266302 found NVA platoon size perimeter, 25 fighting holes, approx 1 year old, 1 pair NVA tennis shoes and part of a deck of NVA playing cards, continued assigned mission	S-Regt
		6	151100H	Journal closed.	

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151120HD-151435HD

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
		1	151120H	Journal opened	
		2	151120H	3/9 CP, Company K, Company M, 81mm mortar Plt, and 106 RR Plt completed helilift to new posits. CP, Company K, 81mm mortar Plt, and 106RR Plt at Coord YD 273323. Company M at Coord YD 244337.	S-Regt
		3	151200H	Company I at Coord YD 243306 found 6 hootches 10'x18'x5' w/bunkers underneath, 1 US helmet liner, 6 AK-47 magazines, 1 toilet that had been used in past 12 hours, 1 flashlight, 1 bunch green vegetables 12 hours old, 1 canteen, assorted documets, 1 helmet, 1 Chi-Com grenade, 2 shirts, 5 sweat shirts, 2 AK magazine pouches w/cleaning gear. Destroyed hootches, bunkers and gear. Retained documents, will forward to S-2 9th Marines	S-Regt
		4	151215H	Company I at Coord YD 247262 found 3 bunkers 4'x6'x6', 2 hootches 12'x 12'x6' approx 1 year old, had not been recently used. Destroyed positions.	S-Regt
		5	151430H	Company I at Coord YD 259319 found 2 bunkers 3'x7'x4', 3 fighting holes appeared to be 3 months old, destroyed bunkers	S-Regt
		6	151435H	Journal closed	

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151538HD-161000HD

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
		1	151538H	Journal opened	
		2	151540H	Company K at Coord YD 267316 saw NVA at Coord 267315, fired 81mm mortar mission and Arty mission, reinforced patrol and exploited initial sighting. Receiving small arms fire AO on station receiving small arms fire, estimate squad of NVA. Exploiting contact.	S-Regt
		3	151830H	Company K at Coord 267316 after debriefing patrol that initially saw NVA, 25 NVA were counted, carrying heavy packs, weapons (some AK-47's) green utility uniforms, NVA were wearing bush hats and appeared to be sweating, after initial sighting NVA dispersed AO made strafing and rocket runs following heavy exchange of small arms in which 1 NVA was believed to be hit Established night ambush at Coord YD 270318. Plan heavy H&I's throughout night. Will exploit contact tomorrow Request OV-10A at first light tomorrow	S-Regt
		4	151900H	3/9 night posits CP YD 273323 Company I YD 256305 Company K, 81mm mortar Plt, and 106 RR Plt YD 273323 Plt Company K YD 198324 Company L YD 269308 Company M YD 244337 2nd Plt Company B 1/9 YD 144335	
		5	161000H	Journal closed	

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161010HD-161800HD

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
		1	161010H	Journal opened	
		2	161020H	Company M at Coord YD 242333 found 3 hootches, 2 were 18'x20', 1 was 20'x8', 3 bunkers, 2 were 6'x2'x4', 1 was 4'x10'x5' under hootch. One tunnel under another hootch was 10' long, 1 bamboo sleeping rack, metal glass cutter, 1 old animal pen approx 1 year old Destroyed hootches and bunkers.	S-Regt
		3	161145H	Company M at Coord YD 242333 is in contact w/unknown size NVA force Firing 60mm mortars, Arty Requested AO. 1 enemy confirmed	S-Regt
		4	161145H	Company M at Coord YD 242333, enemy broke contact. Upon searching body, found 1 new AK-47, pack, rice and personal letters. Body appeared to be healthy, approx 145 lbs. Returning AK-47 and documents	S-Regt
		5	161230H	Company K at Coord YD 266317 found 1 empty NVA pack badly hit by shrapnel. Also found many empty AK-47 cartridges Searched area.	S-Regt
		6	161615H	Company M at Coord YD 239325 found 5 bunkers, all of different size and dimensions; 10'x4'x2', 5'x4'x2', 25'x 4'x2', 6 small grass hootches, 2 hootcheframes 15'x6'x5', 10'x20'x6', 3 empty penicillin bottles, 1 small bottle containing red liquid and 1 bloody battle dressing Destroyed all emplacements.	S-Regt
		7	161800H	Journal closed	

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161830HD-180730HD

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
		1	161830H	Journal opened	
		2	161900H	3/9 night posits CP, 81mm mortar Plt. YD 273323 106 RR Plt Company I YD 256305 Company K YD 273323 Plt Company K YD 198324 Company L YD 269308 Company M YD 244337 2nd Plt Company B 1/9 YD 144335	
		3	171005H	Company L at Coord YD 276313 found old NVA campsite w/2 graves and 2 fighting holes. Dug up graves, found 2 bodies Reburied bodies, continue assigned mission.	S-Regt
		4	171100H	CG 3rd Mar Div and party visited this position.	S-Regt
		5	171210H	Company L at Coord YD 280313 found NVA campsite w/12 fighting holes 3 to 5 months old. Closed fighting holes. Continue assigned mission	S-Regt
		6	171700H	Task Force Hotel and party, and CO 9th Marines and party visited this position.	S-Regt
		7	171900H	3/9 night posits CP, 81mm mortar Plt YD 273323 106 RR Plt Company K YD 273323 Company I YD 256305 Plt Company K YD 198324 Company L YD 269308 Company M YD 244337 2nd Plt Company B 1/9 YD 144335	
		8	180700H	Journal closed	

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
		1	180725H	Journal opened	
		2	180730H	Company L commenced move to new posit at Coord YD 260335. Company M commenced move to new posit at Coord YD 237344	S-Regt
		3	181030H	Company I commenced helilift to FSB Henderson at Coord YD 081411.	S-Regt
		4	181445H	Company I completed helilift and is now OPCON to 2/9 at this time.	S-Regt
		5	181600H	Company M completed move to posit at Coord YD 253344.	S-Regt
		6	181730H	Company L completed move to posit at Coord YD 263331	S-Regt
		7	181900H	3/9 night posits CP, 81mm mortar Plt YD 273323 106 RR Plt Company K YD 273323 Plt Company K YD 198324 Company L YD 263331 Company M YD 253344 Plt Company M YD 237344 2nd Plt Company B 1/9 YD 144335	
		8	190800H	Company M commenced a move to a position at Coord YD 228359.	S-Regt
		9	190900H	Journal closed	

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
		1	190925H	Journal opened	
		2	190930H	Company K at Coord YD 262314 found 6 enemy 60mm mortar rounds, mounted on bamboo carrying stick about 4' long, ends of pole are split w/3 rounds on each end. Rounds were still plugged, no fuses. Found 3' off trail in brush, rounds were rusty and old. Destroyed rounds. Searched area	S-Regt
		3	191100H	CG, 3rd Mar Div and party, Task Force Hotel and party visited this position	S-Regt
		4	191130H	At this time the 2nd Plt of Company B 1/9 is returned to 1/9's control, and the 2nd Plt of Company K 3/9 is OPCON to 1/9	S-Regt
		5	191730H	Company M halted move at Coord YD 230355.	S-Regt
		6	191930H	Company I at Coord YD 263331 observed flashlights at Coord YD 265345. Fired Arty mission, lights went out	S-Regt
		7	192000H	3/9 night posits CP, 81mm mortar Plt YD 273323 106 RR Plt Company K (-) YD 273323 Company L YD 263331 Company M YD 230355	
		7	192400H	Journal closed	

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
		1	200001H	Journal opened	
		2	201110H	Company M a t Coord YD 225367 found trail junction running northeast-southwest, also sighted 3 NVA, engaged same w/small arms, also received small arms Firing 81mm mortar and Arty, requesting AO.	S-Regt
		3	201630H	Company M at Coord YD 210365 after initial contact searched area, found blood trail and followed it until it was lost. The 3 NVA reported were barefooted, had long hair, wore black pajamas and carried AK-47's. It is possible they were Montagnards. During the pursuit to northwest, a network of small recently used trails was found paralling river to Coord YD 210364. Trail network will be exploited further to northwest tomorrow.	S-Regt
		4	201900H	3/9 night posits CP, 81mm mortar Plt, and 106 RR Plt YD 273323 Company K (-) YD 273323 Company L YD 263331 Company M YD 231354	
		5	202035H	Company L at Coord YD 263331 observed flashlights at Coord YD 270335 Fired mission w/106 RR, light went out immediately	S-Regt
		6	211010H	Company M at Coord YD 230365 found command detonated US claymore mine rigged on trail. Appeared to have been placed recently Disarmed mine.	S-Regt
		7	211100H	Journal closed	

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
		1	211130HD	Journal opened	
		2	211135H	Company M at Coord YD 229365 found Montagnard village, 3 C-ration containers w/rice and meat still edible, 15-20 pigs, approx 12 chickens, assorted US gear, C-rations E-Tools, ect, incoming holes in village, no LZ in area Very heavy canopy, will return what livestock that can be handled, rest will be exexuted.	
		3	211210H	Company M at Coord YD 228366 found 4 hootches 30'x15', 3 bunkers 6'x3'x3', several educational books pertaining to math, history and engineering, 2 large woven baskets, 7 small woven baskets, 2 fish traps, 1 woven rug, assorted medical gear, 1 bottle of anti-acid pills, 1 tube aspirins, 1 unknown bottle, 3 cooking pots, 100 rounds M-60 ammo, 1 white popup, 4 demo boosters, 1¼ lbs TNT, 1 axe, 1 hoe, 1 machette, 1 sickle, assorted US military gear, 1 battery powered fan, assorted toilet articles, assorted canvas bags, 3 pair rain trousers (good condition), 1 US battle dressing, fresh greens, fresh tea still in pot, assorted clothing US and NVA type, 1 pair US jungle boots, 2 M-16 magazines, 1 NVA canteen, 1 hollowed stump used to crush grain, 3 grown chickens, 4 baby chicks, 9 head of swine, 1 large, 1 medium, and 7 small Killed pigs and chickens.	S-Regt
		4	211300H	Journal closed	

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211300HD-231830HD

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
		1	211300H	Journal opened	
		2	211400H	Company K at Coord YD 281305 to YD 279305 found what appears to be telegraph line, insulators about 15' in tree with 1/8" cooper wire connecting, wire cut between trees, from last above position, line continued to south. Returning sample piece of wire and insulator.	S-Regt
		3	211900H	3/9 night posits CP, 81mm mortar Plt, and 106 RR Plt — YD 273323 Company K (-) — YD 273323 Company L — YD 263331 Company M — YD 231354	
		4	220800H	Company M, Company L, Company K (-) commenced helilift to VCB.	S-Regt
		5	221030H	CP (-), Company M, Company L, Company K (-) completed helilift to VCB.	S-Regt
		6	221900H	3/9 night posits CP (-) — YD 273323 Company K (-) — YD 273323 Company L — VCB Company M — VCB	
		7	231800H	Company M is now at this time chopped to Task Force BRAVO.	S-Regt
		8	231830H	Journal closed	

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
		1	231845H	Journal opened	
		2	231900H	3/9 night positions CP (-) YD 273323 Company K (-) YD 273323 Company L VCB	
		3	240915H	CP (-), Company K (-), commenced helilift to VCB	S-Regt
		4	241000H	CP (-), Company K (-) completed helilift to VCB	S-Regt
		5	241900H	3/9 night posits CP VCB Company K VCB Company L VCB	
		6	242400H	Journal closed	

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250001HD-262400 HD

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SER NO	DATE TIME	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
		1	250001H	Journal Opened	
		2	251830H	Co I at this time was chopped frome 2/9 and returned to 3/9.	S-Regt.
		3	251900H	3/9 night posit· All companies at VCB.	S-Regt.
		4	252400H	Journal Closed	
		5	260001H	Journal Opened	
		6	260600H	Frag Order 125-68 1. Situation· Due to recent enemy activity, rocket attack, sensor reading and change in civil populace vicinity CA LU, it is necessary to conduct offensive operations patrol activity outside the VCB complex as troop availabilitypermitys. 2. Mission: No change 3. Execution c. For 3/9 1. Move by motor/march/boat to beach for 2 day rehabilitation period. chop to TFB on arrival. C. Coord. instructions· 1. Boundary change PASEP effective 260500H 1968. 2. Dir. Liason between 1/9 and 2/9 is authorized for coordinating movement.	S-Regt.
		7	260830H	3/9 commenced move to CUA VIET.	S-Regt.
		8	261400H	3/9 completed move to CUA VIET. Co M at this time is returned to 3/9 control.	S-Regt.
		9	261900H	3/9 night posit: CUA VIET	S-Regt.
		10	262400H	Journal Closed	

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		1	270001H	Journal Opened	
		2	272400H	Journal Closed	
		3	280001H	Journal Opened	
		4	280945H	3/9 commenced move to VCB.	S-Regt.
		5	281100H	3/9 returned to 9th Marine Regt. control.	S-Regt.
		6	281500H	3/9 completed move to VCB.	S-Regt.
		7	281600H	Co K is at this time Opcon to 2/9.	S-Regt.
		8	281900H	3/9 night posits: Cp, Co I, Co L, Co M at VCB.	S-Regt.
		9	282100H	Frag Order 127-68. A Situation. Due to enemy activity in vicinity of VCB, offensive operation in the immediate vicinity will be conducted. B. Mission. No change. C. Execution. (2) For 3/9 (A) on 29 Dec. 3/9 (-) will make a helo-assualt on hill 660 and a helo-lift into FSB HOLCOMB. (B) on 29 Dec. assume responsibility for sparrow hawk at VCB, chop Opcon of sparrow hawk to FD. (C) with one company provide security at FSB CATES and hill 691 and hill 950. (D) with one Company provide security at signal hill and FSB HENDERSON. (E) in all security missions 2/9 will be relieved in place by 3/9. (3) Coordinating instructions (A) Direct liason is authorized. D. Admin and logistics: No change. E. Command and comm. No change.	S-Regt.
		10	282400H	Journal Closed	

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		1	290001H	Journal Opened	
		2	290700H	2 Plts. of Co I chopped Opcon to 2/9 at this time.	S-Regt.
		3	291005H	3/9 commenced helilift to new posits.	S-Regt.
		4	291515H	3/9 completed helilift to new posits.	S-Regt.
		5	291900H	3/9 night posits: CP and 81s YD118432, Co I YD081411, Co L YD124446, Co M YD 113447.	S-Regt.
		6	292400H	Journal Closed	
		7	300001H	Journal Opened	
		8	300941H	Frag Order 128-68: 1. Situation: no change. 2. Mission: no change. 3. Execution For 3/9 (1) Provide additional Plt to FSB CATES. (2) Sparrow hawk is dissolved. (3) On 31 Ded. 68 chop one rifle company to 2/9 at VGB. (5) At 301000 Dec. 68 assume responsibility for security of FSB CATES, HILL 691, HILL 950. (6) Commence clearing operation from FSB CATES on 31 Dec 68. 4. Coordinating instructions (1) 3/9 security forces on signal hill chop from 2/9 to 1/9 temporarily at 301000. (2) one direct support Btry will eccupy FSB CATES ON 31 Dec. 68.	S-Regt.
		9	301000H	Co K at this time is returned to 3/9. one Plt. of Co I at this time is retrned - to 3/9 returned	S-Regt.
		10	301130H	Co I at coord. YD081415 found five hootches made of palm leaves 15x12x12, 16x15x12, 15x16x10, 15x10x9 feet one hbotch was a mess hall, tables seat 33 estimated. last use approx. six months ago. Destroyed hootches.	S-Regt.
		11	301015H	Journal Closed	

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		1	301900H	Journal Opened	
		2	301901H	3/9 night posit Cp and 81s YD118432, Co I YD081411, Co K XD926442, Co L YD118432, Co M YD107464.	S-Regt.
		3	302400H	Journal Closed	
		4	310001H	Journal Opened	
		5	310800H	3/9 commenced helilift to new posits.	S-Regt.
		6	311030H	Co L and Co M are chopped Opcon to 1/9 at this time. Posits at VCB	S-Regt.
		7	311900H	3/9 night posits: CP and 81s and 106s at FSB CATES, Co I XD927437, Co K XD927-437.	S-Regt.
		8	312350H	Co K at coord XD925453, direction 355 degrees magnetic sigted light at above posit. appears to be light from camp fire. Light disappears and reappears with fog coverage. Light has been under observation for approx 35 minutes and has not changed position. Light now not visible. Continuing observation, called in fire mission on light and light went out. Will attempt to check out further in future.	S-Regt.
		9	312400H	Journal Closed	

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