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| 1st Bn 14th Inf | LZ Chara Maine | | |
| 3rd Bde 4th Inf Div | YA 989219 | TO | FROM |
| | | 0001 4 Jan 69 | 2400 4 Jan 69 |

- 1 0001 (U) Journal Opened RM
- 2 0520 (U) To Bde DO from Bn Sp/4 James Campbell, ⁰⁶⁰⁹ 060415 sited a blinking light. It was also picked up by radar, traveling NW, approx 80 to 90 knots, at Grid 07422273. Contact lost at 0500. Radar has picked 3 to 4 objects, at an altitude of 845 meters above sea level. Bde MK
- 3 0830 (U) To Bde DO from Bn-S-3 The recon element has requested that they be able to put their bushmaster at 047384, at a road junction at that location. The Bde S-3 says the Bde Co wants them to establish their bushmaster along the major road. Bde GP
- 4 0940 (U) To Bn from C Co My bushmaster has departed LZ Bridgett to preposed night loger located at 038160. Bde GP
- 5 1105 (U) To S-3 from Jump CP Everything above the line; 0421 0621 is clear for US operations. Bde GP
- 6 1115 (U) To NCS from B Co SRP #4 has returned to LZ Chara Maine Bde GP
- 7 1150 (U) To Bde from Bn 1st PZ from LZ Chara Maine to LZ 032228 at 1152 1st LZ 1200 LZ complete 1207. It was a cold LZ. Bde GP
- 8 1225 (U) To NCS from Recon Bushmaster We had 8 montagnards just pass us, 4 men and 4 women. Possibly might have spotted one of my EMs or our antenna. S SL
- 9 1242 (U) To NCS from Jump CP The 3rd ARVN company came up on a squad of VC. They found one bunker containing one US cap, the squad of VC fled to the South. GORD 055190. Bde SL
- 10 1320 (U) To NCS from A Co Bushmaster #35 found a company size night loger, 163128, with temporary foxholes and temporary over head cover. It is 4 to 5 weeks old. S SL
- 11 1345 (U) To NCS from Jump CP The North village has 25 people and only 2 men the rest women and children. The South village has 19 women 15 children and only 1 man. My counterpart believes something funny is going on as on his VR yesterday he saw more people than that. Bde SL
- 12 1350 (U) To NCS from 3rd Plt of B Co We dug up 14 NVA bodies, 2 B40 propellants, 1 B40 warhead, several pieces of web gear, 4 chicom frag grenades, 1 DH-1D claymore, A447 web bear type chest pouch and 3 NVA canteen with covers. They found company size positions along both sides of the blue line. Cause of death: 1 shrapnel the rest decomposed to tell and bodies are 1 to 2 months old. Bde SL

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| 13 | 1430 | (U) To NCS from D Co. Confirmed SRP locations: #6 68184 #7 965176 #8 967167 #9 986159 | Bde | SL |
| 14 | 1549 | (U) To Bn from S-3 and S-3 Air Lst PZ 1549 1sr LZ 1553 final PZ 1556 and final LZ 1600. | | |
| 15 | 1700 | (U) To Bn from Recon element Report fire on there position from the west approx 75 meters away. Semi and automatic fire the firing has ceased at 1709. | Bde | MK |
| 16 | 1745 | (U) TO Bde from Bn. Proposed SRP locations : A Company #15 044112 #16 057101 #17 074097 #19 105094. Ambush Loc; 105094. B Company #1 982248 #2 977233 #3 970225 #4 969210 #5 970198 #6 bush loc; 999252 C Company #10 #11 968184 #12 016132 #13 014137 #14 025138 Ambush Loc; 043 173 D Company #6 968184 #7 965176 #8 967167 #9 986159. | Bde | MK |
| 17 | 1750 | (U) To C Company from Bn Recon bushmaster contact 052389. | Bde | MK |
| 18 | 1810 | (U) To Bn from Recon Bushmaster ^{PREPOSED} Present NL 047367 ^{kw} Night Loger 044392. | S | MK |
| 19 | 1835 | (U) To All Units from NCS Password for 4 Jan Blue-Beard. | S | MK |
| 20 | 1845 | (U) To Bn from A Co Confirmed SRP night logers; #15 047 120 #16 058105 #17 073099 #18 097097 #19 018097 Amb 108097. | Bde | MK |
| 21 | 1908 | (U) To Bn S-3 from Bde DO We are to have 1 platoon, available to be airlifted to the Oasis tomorrow afternoon. 2 Plt to ^{kw} standby alert on there respective LZs for operation Trojan Horse. There will be a CV from CP 31 to Plei Mei, one squad will be available to be airlifted to Plei Me. The Bn S-3 is to be at the Oasis at 1000 hrs for a briefing. All three platoon leaders are to be at the Oasis at 1300 hrs for a briefing. | S | MK |
| 22 | 1925 | (U) To Bn from C Co Confirmed SRP locations: #10 & #11 002140 #12 013137 #13 022137 #14 034139 bushmaster; 042174 | Bde | MK |
| 23 | 1937 | (U) To Bn from A Co Dragon #19 reports movement to his W approx 50 meters. Can't tell what it is, sounds like it could be from 1 to 10 people or an animal. We are firing at this time, movement stopped. | Bde | MK |
| 24 | 2110 | (U) To NCS from C Co SRP #11 has ^{kw} movement on ^{kw} at ^{at} the ^{the} death ^{death} of 40°, 400 to 500 meters away. They think they heard ^{kw} someone fall while walking. We are now employing light organics. At 2030 movement stopped. | Bde | MK |
| 25 | 2030 | (U) To NCS from B Co ^{kw} Confirmed SRP locations; #1 995234 #2 986225 #3 983229 #4 988215 #5 986195 | Bde | MK |
| 26 | 2125 | (U) To NCS from Jump CP ARVN locations 1st CP 048184; Amb; 043183 053186 2nd CP 078223; Amb; 084220 080227 | Bde | MK |

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| 26 | 2125 | (U) To NCS from Jump CP Can't 037217 074225 3rd CP 054197 Ambush locations; 050199 053210 055194. The Jump C. says they d dn't get a ^{birds} done today because of lack of birds. This puts us ^{at} least two days behind. Tomorrow we will move ^{up} to two most southern villages, then we will have a day ^{stand} down. | Bde | GP |
| 27 | 2214 | (U) To Bde from Bn Night location fro the Recon element busmaster; 043391. | Bde | GP |
| 28 | 2230 | (U) To Company commanders fr m Bn Co Policy statement: During combat operations when I call a station ^{any} I want to talk with the commander and there should be very little delay getting t e commander to the horn ^{any} . | S | GP |
| 29 | 2245 | (U) To D Co from S-3 Your busmaster ^{any} tomorrow is to go to Vic 017198. | S | GP |
| 30 | 2245 | (U) To D Co from S-3 On 5 Jan you are to have a squad size element on alert to be moved to Plei Mei and to come back on convoy to act as convoy protection. | S | GP |
| 31 | 2335 | (U) To NCS from D Co Reports having ^{any} movement on the North western side of his perimeter on the ^{any} pier at this time they are firing M-79s, M-79s were fired and movement has ceased. | Bde | GP |
| 32 | 0755 | (U) To Bde from Bn All units report 100% Malaria rester signed with shirts on and sleeves rolled down: A,B,C,D,E, MORTARS, COMMO, TOC, RECON, 106RR, OASIS A D DUC CO REAR. | Bde | RM |
| 33 | 2000 | (U) To Bde from Bn Night locations for elements of 1/14 Infantry; A Company is at LZ Isabelle, B Company is at LZ Chara Maine, C Company is at LZ Bridgit, D Company is at LZ Laura with the 1st platoon at Rock Quarry, 4.2 Mortars have 2 tubes at LZ Laura; 1 tube at LZ Isabelle; and 1 tube back in Plei Ku for base defense, 106 RR has one gun at LZ Bridgit and one gun at LZ Chara Maine, The Recon element is located at grid - 047387; 044392. | | |

| | KIA | KIA(EST) | CIA | WPNS |
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| Enemy Casualties (C) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Enemy Casualties (C) | 528 | 162 | 58 | 99 |
| Comulative | | | | |
| | KIA | WIA | MIA | |
| US Casualties (C) | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| US Casualties (C) | 68 | 289 | 0 | |
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4 January 1969 Summary

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