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1st Bn 14th Inf LZ Chara Maine  
3rd Bde 4th Inf Div YA 999219 TO 0001 18 Jan 69 FROM 2400 18 Jan 69

- 1 0001 (U) Journal Opened RM
- 2 0630 (U) To Bn from Radar Radar sighted a UFO at 9362521635 Bn FDC gave the word to fire on grid. The Bde DO informed us that his higher wants us to conduct a sweep of that area. An aerial observation is requested only. S MS
- 3 0725 (U) To All Units from NCS B Co DT=0 C Co FT=0 D Co AD=P. S MS
- 4 0915 (U) To Bn from 1st Provisional Company The 2nd platoon of B Company spotted a man wearing a pack about 50 meters away from their position. The grid of sighting is 117167 just about on the blue line. They opened on them with about 40 rounds of M-16. The man fled to the east and our element followed. The man dropped his pack and we confiscated it. 3 more packs were found and we believe that 4 or 5 people were fleeing. One of the enemy may be a women. At this time our element is at 123163. The point man thinks that he may have wounded one but no blood trails were found. S-2 has the rundown on the articles found among the packs. Intelligence found pieces of paper with some writing on it. Bde MS
- 5 1010 (U) To Bn from 2nd platoon C Company SRP #12 discovered a probable ambush sight made up of 5 foxholes, 2 man, chest size type. The foxholes were caved in and filled with as much debris as possible. They were 4 or 5 months old. Bde MS
- 6 1113 (U) To NCS from B Co SRP #3 found a man made tunnel that could hold a squad size element. Trail leading away to the north. Bde GP
- 7 1128 (U) To NCS from 1st Provisional Company Current location 102148 S GP
- 8 1145 (U) To NCS from C Company SRP #12 found 15 spider holes, 1 man size and about 1 week old. 2 or 3 of them have been slept in within the last 2 to 3 nights. We found fresh trash and a plastic shelter half. The spider holes were dug into the side of a hill. The location is 100 meters from their NL at 031153. Bde GP
- 9 1200 (U) To NCS from D Co Cayuas 329 has a med evacuation, the man with 104 temperature. He will be dropped off at the 4th Med at the Oasis. S GP
- 10 1220 (U) To Bde from Bn Proposed SRP location NL: #1 97204 #2 982235 #3 997244 #4 009239 #5 032220 #10 001175 #11 004149 #12 031152 #13 043173 #14 025183. Bde GP
- 11 1420 (U) To NCS from 1st Provisional Company 2nd platoon of B Company reported movement to his east, it sounded like people walking. They fired M-79 and small arms into area with neg results Bde JC

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| 11 | 1420 | (U) To NCS from 1st Provisional Company | Con't Movement was 150 meters at a 120° azimuth from his location. 126165   | Bde JC |
| 12 | 1540 | (U) To Bde from NCS                     | Extraction of LZ Laura 1st PZ 1000 1st LZ 1005 final PZ 1135 final LZ 1140 The extraction is not complete, D Company is still on LZ Laura.  | Bde GC |
| 13 | 1730 | (U) To NCS from 1st Provisional Company | Loc for NL 125164.  | Bde GC |
| 14 | 1850 | (U) To Bn S-3 from Bn XO                | At 1615 today a man at LZ Blackhawk was accidentally shot in the hand. The man may loose his hand, he was shot by a las vegas Beardsly.   | S MS   |
| 15 | 1929 | (U) To Bn from 1st Provisional Company  | Apache OP-4 saw two figures to the west about 20 meters from their OP position. The OP opened up on them with a short burst and 1 hand grenade then quickly moved back into the perimeter. The artillery fired on target without adjustment. there was 20 He and 1 Smoke of 105 expended. 125164 is NL for 1st Provisional Company.   | Bde MS |
| 16 | 2015 | (U) To NCS from C Company               | Reports they see 2 then 4 red lights to the south on a 190° azimuth. Radar plots them at 020159016159 The UFOs are hoovering. Also on a 210° azimuth they report a large glow. All this is estimated to be 1,000 to 1,500 out.  | Bde GP |
| 17 | 2045 | (U) To NCS from B Co                    | Confirmed SRP locations: #1 979206 #2 982236 #3 995246 #4 010239 #5 044218.   | Bde GP |
| 18 | 2155 | (U) To NCS from C Co                    | Confirmed SRP locations: #10 007175 #11 003148 #12 024155 #13 043175 #14 025181.  | Bde GP |
| 19 | 2200 | (U) To Bn from Bde                      | LRP Boxes: P-41 ZA 0206 P-44 YA 9501  | S GP   |
| 20 | 0755 | (U) To Bde from Bn                      | All units report 100% Malaria roster signed with shirts on and sleeves rolled down: A,B,C,D,E, MORTARS, TOC, COMMO, RECON 106RR, OASIS AND DUC CO REAR.   | Bde RM |
| 21 | 2000 | (U) To Bde fro Bn                       | Closing locations for elements of 1/14 Infantry A Company is OP/CON to 2/1 Cav, B Company is at LZ Chara Maine with 2nd platoon at 125164, C Company is at LZ Bridgit with 1st Platoon at 125164, D Company is at LZ Laura, Recon element is at LZ Chara Maine, 4.2 Mortars have 2 tubes at LZ Chara Maine and 2 tubes back in Plei Ku, one is for base defense and the other is being retrograded, 106 RR has one gun at LZ Bridgit and one gun at LZ Bridgit. | Bde RM |

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		KIA	KIA(EST)	CIA	WPNS
Enemy Casualties	(C)	0	0	0	0
Enemy Casualties	(C)	528	152	58	99
Cumulative					
		KIA	WIA	MIA	
US Casualties	(C)	0	0	0	
US Casualties	(C)	69	291	0	
Cumulative					

18 January 1969 Summary

(C) The 1st Provisional Company of the Golden Dragons continued assignment of cordon and search. SRP operations continued. Evacuation of LZ Laura began, two platoon of Company D were moved to LZ Bridgit and one platoon stayed at LZ Laura to prepare the fire base for final extraction, scheduled for 19 January 1969.

(C) Plans: 1st Provisional Company will continue assigned mission of cordon and search. Final evacuation of the remaining platoon of Company D will be accomplished and LZ Laura closed.

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