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DAILY STAFF JOURNAL OR DUTY OFFICER'S LOG

			TO	FROM
1st Bn 14th Inf	LZ Chara Maine			
3rd Bde 4th Inf Div	YA 999219		0001 19 Jan 69	2400 19 Jan 69
1	0001	(U) Journal Opened		RM
2	0700	(U) To All Units from NCS Authentications: B Company GC=Z C Company GP=D D Company MK=L 9 Relay SC=0 1st Prov Co AV=S		S GC
3	0725	(U) To NCS from 1st Provisional Company Reports that yesterday they found 8 bunkers with 4 having overhead cover and there were also 4 tunnels. It could have been used recently. Estimated to hold 1 squad. We destroyed the bunkers and tunnels. Loc 109153.		Bde GC
4	0825	(U) To NCS from 1st Provisional Company We have 1 ft NL and are continuing on the operation.		S GC
5	0855	(U) To NCS from C Company Reports there SRP #12 smelled food cooking and also smelled pet, in the general location of the spider holes which were found 18 Jan 69. They smelled this 2100 hours 18 Jan 69. Approx Grid 030154.		S GC
6	0910	(U) To Bde from Bn Contact was made at 0950 at Grid 135162. The 2nd plat of B Company is located at 140167. They took the enemy under fire and pinned them down. Artillery was employed until gunships arrived. Friendly position was marked with smoke. The gun ships lifted, as a result we had 4 friendly MIA. A medivac was called in and was completed at 1115. An air strike was called in and finished at 1133. The 2nd platoon of B Company was air born until after air strike, then was dropped in as a blocking force. Blocking force in at 1st PZ 1110 final LZ 1155. The blocking force was in position at 1200.		Bde GC
7	1210	(U) To NCS from C Company A patrol left to check out a possibility of a UFO at 0900 to return at 1200. They found negative results except for a possible LZ at 106154. The grass was blown down with a small trail leading from N to S. Estimated to be 2 weeks old.		Bde GP
8	1220	(U) To Bde from Bn Sweep of area started at 1210. With the 1st platoon of B Company in a blocking position and 1st platoon of C Company and the 2nd platoon of B Company sweeping towards them.		Bde GP
9	1300	(U) To Bn from Medic KIA Cottrell, John N. WIA Grickson, Michael R. S WIA Marshall, Ezekiel WIA Wilson Marle.		S GP
10	1500	(U) To Bn from 1st Provisional Company We found a cache of rice of about 150 to 200 lbs at location 13. The rice was destroyed by our element.		Bde MS
11	1600	(U) To Bde S-3 Air from Bn S-3 S-3 Air Final extraction of D Company to LZ Bridgit from LZ Laura. 1st PZ 1558 1st LZ 1601, final PZ 1620 final LZ 1629. Lift complete 1629.		Bde GP
12	1744	(U) To Bde from S-3 Air Extraction of 1st platoon of B Company; 1st PZ 1715 1st LZ 1718, final PZ 1730 final LZ 1740.		Bde MS
13	1745	(U) To Bn from 1st Provisional Company The NL for our element is 154165. We spotted 3 water buffalo and are now observing them.		Bde MS

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14 1800 (U) To Bn from S-3 Air Extraction of the rest of the element from Bde MS
D Company from LZ Laura to LZ Bridgit; 1st PZ 1737 1st PZ 1738
final PZ 1740 final LZ 1744.

15 1833 (U) To NCS from B Company Confirmed SRP locations: #1 982236 Bde GP
#2 979206 #3 995246 #4 010239 #5 027219.

16 2045 (U) To NCS from C Company Confirmed SRP locations: #10 008175 Bde GP
#11 003148 #12 024155 #13 043175 #14 025181.

17 2206 (U) To Bn from Bde NL for LRP's P-44 925003 P-41 025053. S GP

18 2230 (U) To NCS from B Co SRP #1 reports movement, believed to be a Bde GC
tiger, it is moving fast and quiet. We fired and scared him off
and movement has ceased at this time.

19 2250 (U) To Bn S-3 from Bde 00 The little people at Plei Mei are loc- S GC
ated in the following boxes: ZA 0513 0509 1113 1109 They
are in effect from 18 to 23 Jan 69. They also have one platoon
size NL at ZA 086102.

20 2400 (U) To Bn from Bde D0 A CSF squad size element has strayed into S GP
your Battalion A0. Location at 153125. Passed to 1st Provisional
Company.

21 0755 (U) To Bde from Bn All Units report 100% Malaria roster signed Bde RM
with shirts on and sleeves rolled down: A,B,C,D,E, MORTARS, COMMO,
TOC, RECON, 106RR AND THE OASIS.

22 2000 (U) To Bde from Bn Closing locations for elements of 1/14 Infantry: Bde MS
A Company is OP/CON to 2/1 Cav, B Company is LZ Chara Maine with
2nd platoon on an operation located at 154165, C Company is at LZ
Bridgit with 1st platoon on an operation located at 154165, D Com-
is at LZ Bridgit, The recon element is at LZ Chara Maine, 106 RR
has one gun at LZ Chara Maine and has one gun at LZ Bridgit, 4.2
Mortars have two tubes at LZ Chara Maine and two tubes back in
Plei Ku one for base defense and one to be retrograded.

		KIA	KIA(EST)	CIA	WPNS
Enemy Casualties	(C)	0	0	0	0
Enemy Casualties	(C)	528	152	58	99
Cumulative					

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		KIA	WIA	MIA
US Casualties	(C)	0	0	0
US Casualties	(C)	70	294	0
Cumulative				

19 January 1969 Summary

(C) The 1st Provisional Company of the Golden Dragons continued cordon and search operation. Enemy contact was made. There were negative casualties inflicted by the enemy, however friendly gunships fire resulted in 3 WIA and 1 KIA, all from 2nd platoon, Company B. The 1st platoon of Company B conducted a CA into enemy area where contact was made to serve as a blocking force. This platoon was extracted following accomplishment of assigned mission. Final extraction of elements of Company D remaining on LZ Laura was accomplished and that fire base was cleared and closed. Company A remained OP/CON to 2/1 Cav. SRP operations were continued.

(C) Plans: The 1st Provisional Company of the 1/14 Infantry will continue cordon and search operations. SRP operations will be continued.

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