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- 14 1440 (U) To Bde from Bn ( Con't ) contact and ran down the hill. Bde GC  
One man managed to make his way back to the fire base there the 1st platoon kicked out to search for the rest of the SRP at 1240. On the way back out they made contact with two members of the SRP and returned them to the fire base. They then kicked back out at 1325 in search for the 1 MIA. The radio was left at the contact site and it is unknown at this time weather the enemy captured it or not.
- 15 1505 (U) To Bn S-3 from Bde S-3 The Brigade CP at LZ Susan requires 1 81MM platoon. Can you provide at a minimum of 4 tubes with crew. We can supply the tubes minus the crews. S GC
- 16 1527 (U) To Bn S-3 from Bde S-3 Prepare 3 81MM tubes with crews, equipment and ammo to go to LZ Susan to provide fire support for Brigade TOC CP. You will move these men and equipment with aircraft assigned to you. Be in position today. S GC
- 17 1534 (U) To Bde S-3 from Bn S-3 The patrol out looking for the MIA made contact at grid 896686. We are firing 81MM at this time. The grid changed to 893689. We are adjusting LOS at this time. Bde GC
- 18 1622 (U) To Bn from B Co The CO of B Company has closed at the location of the 1st platoon. Bde GC
- 19 1635 (U) To Bn from 9 Relay The ARVN have closed their NL. They found a cache and are setting up a squad size ambush at grid 983704. S GC
- 20 1711 (U) To Bn from C Co Lift of C Company complete. Bde GC
- 21 1738 (U) To Bde from Bn Current wrap up of contact. Radio was returned to the fire base by one of the SRP members. It was an estimated platoon sized force with SA and automatic weapons fire received. The MIA was spotted lying on the ground, on the trail where the search element made contact. A stay behind bushmaster in the contact area will be emphasized and search will continue. They will sweep the area. The MIA is now a confirmed KIA. Request a bird for the extraction of the body. Bde GC
- 22 1807 (U) To Bn from A Co Location of the stay behind bushmaster; 897684. The search element found six to eight foxholes with no over head cover. There was negative findings after a careful sweep of the area. Bde JC
- 23 1830 (U) To NCS from FO with ARVN's NL locations and bushmaster; 980706 Bushmaster location - 983704. Bde JC

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- 24 1950 (U) To Bn from Bde Reference to the 1st platoon of A Company: S JC  
Which direction did enemy flee? Did they sweep the area? The number of enemy casualties? The number of friendly casualties? Was small arms fires changed? They flew in a SW direction, they found spider holes, unknown, negative, yes.
- 25 1955 (U) To NCS from Bn S-2 At grid 891688 cider 31 spotted a high Bde JC  
speed trail intersecting the river. It showed sign of recent use.
- 26 2030 (U) To Bde S-2 from Bn S-2 Request snoopy from 880680 to 905735 Bde JC  
along the river.
- 27 2030 (U) To NCS from A Co Sub element has closed back to the main Bde JC  
body.
- 28 2045 (U) To NCS from D Co Our LP 50 meters to the north had movement Bde JC  
to their front, threw grenade and fired small arms and came back into the perimeter. We fired illumination and observed nothing, movement ceased and the LP kicked back out.
- 29 2100 (U) To NCS from the 4th plt of B Co We had movement to the SW Bde JC  
about 150 meters out, we fired 7 rounds of HE and movement stop.
- 30 2200 (U) To Bn from 3/12 Infantry Locations remain the same as last S JC  
night.
- 31 2255 (U) To Bn from 1/12 S-3 We have an enemy location about half S JC  
way between your A Company and my C Company. I am going to fire heavy artillery in that area. My FO will adjust. Negative clearance with our element, it is too close to our SRPs and bushmaster.
- 32 2355 (U) To All Units from Bn S-3 Today a SRP from A Company was S JC  
ambushed resulting in 1 KIA and 2 WIA. The SRP made the following mistakes: 1. Walking down a well beaten trail. 2. Not observing noise discipline. 3. Walking too close together 4. Not immediately returning fire on the contact. 5. Not having or using a break contact SOP. All commanders will take actions to insure such mistakes are not repeated.
- 33 0755 (U) To Bde from Bn All elements report 100% Malaria roster Bde RM  
signed with shirts on and sleeves rolled down: A,B,C,D,E, TOC, COMMO, RECON, 106RR AND THE OASIS.

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34 2000 (U) To Bde from Bn Closing locations for elements of the 1/14 Bde RM Infantry; A Company is at 903685, B Company is at 956674 with 3rd platoon at LZ Terry and 4th platoon at LZ Tiffany, C Company is at 956674 with 3rd platoon at ambush sites 920727 and 925729 and the 4th platoon at LZ Tommie. D Company is at 966703 with the 4th platoon at LZ Tommie. Recon element is at LZ Tommie and the 4.2 element is at LZ Terry. 106RR has both guns at the Oasis. Closing locations for elements of the 1/12 Infantry; A Company is at 955661, B Company and CP is at 911649. ARVN locations all at 955663.

	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)	1	2	0	
US Casualties (C)	71	305	0	
Cumulative				

## 7 February 1969 Summary

(C) The Golden Dragons continued operations in the Chu Pa area. Relocation of units participating in search and clear operation is complete and all units are in proposed assembly area. A SRP from Company A was engaged by enemy automatic weapons and mortar fire resulting in 1 KIA and 2 WIA.

(C) Plans: The search and clear operation has been postponed, but will be conducted.

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