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1st Bn 14th Inf
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L2 St. George

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ITEM NO.	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INITIALS
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1	0001	0002	(U) Journal opened.		RM
2	0140	0141	(U) To Bn from Bde. Snoopy Box priority 8 AO ZA1628-2128-2119-1619, from 0600-1700 1 Oct. Negative clearance by S-3.	S	JRF
3	0628	0629	(U) To Bn from Bde. Crossbow PN 171/69 from 0700 hours 1 Oct to 1800 hours 3 Oct for Convoy security, 2 platoons 145 RF Company, AR 812200, 845153. Cleared by S-2.	S	MB
4	0630	0631	(U) To Bn from Bde. 1. Equipment loses during river crossings. a. Reports of survey arriving to Bde Hq indicate increasing amount of equipment and weapons being lost during river crossing operations. This can only be attributed to a complete lack of preparation and interest on the part of the commander and individuals involved. b. Commanders will immedi- ately activate policies and procedures for securing equipment during the river crossings and will insure that all subordinates commanders and personnel involved are instructed in these procedures. 2. White Phospher- ous Grenades. a. Two recent accidents represent hazardous practices of throwing white phosphorous grenades from aircraft. The following is instructed information and guidance. 1. On June 7, an OH-6A was on a head killer mission doing low level VR. The pilot and observer decided to use WP grenades in an effort to burn some hooches. As an expediency the observer pulled the pin from 2 grenades. When he attempted to throw the grenades, one hit the door frame and lodged in the aircraft. The resulting explosion occurred in the vic of left center fold panels. In the insueing crash the aircraft was totally demolished. The pilot and observer received 2nd degree burns. 2. On 23 Sept a UH-1H was flying high ships position. On night hawk mission WP grenades were being used as target markers, the crew chief had one grenade left after mission. On final approach to home base at an altitude of approx 5 feet the crew chief dropped the remaining grenade on the floor. The grenade exploded downing the bird which was totally destroyed. The crew chief received severe WP burns. 3. In each of the above cases the individuals handling the grenades were not untrained crews. When grenades of any type are dropped from aircraft they will be held outside the bird until the pin is pulled (cont'd)	S	MB

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4	0630	0631	(U) To Bn from Bde. (cont'd) and the grenade S has been dropped or thrown. 4. It is requested that commanders reestablish with their units the intent roll and the LOH as part of head killer team and reactivate the necessity of WP in lieu of chemical smoke or other suitable devices for marking positions. 3. Weekly Sit-Rep. A weekly sit-rep will be submitted by all battalions to include 2400 hours Sunday through 2400 hours Sunday. Sit will arrive to Bde no later than 2400 hours Sunday. Sit-rep to include: a. operation conducted during the past week with screens of men and overlays. b. results of operations. c. training conducted. d. lessons learned.		MB		
5	0725	0726	(U) To Bde from Bn. Mine sweep north SP at 0705 hours and closed at 0830 hours. Mine sweep south SP at 0720 hours and closed at 0900 hours.	Bde	MB		
6	0802	0803	(U) To Bde from Bn. Recon has SP their NL. CSF has SP their NL at 0800 hours.	Bde	MB		
7	0805	0806	(U) To Bn from Bde. There will be an air strike at ZA 182229 at 1230 hours. The FAC will contact B Company prior to air strike on Bn frequency.	S	MB		
8	0900	0901	(U) To Bde from Bn. A Company bushmasters have closed at 0825 hours. B Company SRPs have closed at 0830 hours.	Bde	MB		
9	1040	1041	(U) To Bde from Bn. A Company has SP their NL.	Bde	SC		
10	1555	1556	(U) To NCS from A Company. 2nd platoon spotted about 75 individuals with about 50-75% with khaki shirts and fatigue shirts, loin cloths, at grid 880164 at 400 meters to the east. No weapons sighted. Individuals fled in every direction. One individual was fully dressed in khakis, seemed as though the others were in single file giving this individual something.	Bde	SC		
11	1608	1609	(U) To NCS from District. District says Regional Development cadre in My Thach, no knowledge of RD cadre working 6 clicks to the east.	Bde	SC		
12	2028	2029	(U) To Bde from Bn. At grid 837111, 30 have four detainees, 2 with papers, were VC a year ago. All wearing Montagnard clothing.	CRP Bde	JRF		
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13	1940	1941	(U) To PK Dustoff from Bn. Dustoff called at Bde 1940 hours for individual with badly cut head from tin roof, urgent. ETA 25 minutes from 2020 hours. Dustoff 69. Dustoff incomplete-wouldn't come down. On station at 2045 hours.		JRF
14	0755	0756	(U) To Bde from Bn. All elements report 100% malaria roster signed with shirts on and sleeves rolled down: A,B,C,D,E, MORTARS, RECON, COMMO, 106RR, AND BASE CAMP REAR.	Bde	RM
15	2000	2001	(U) To Bde from Bn. Closing locations for elements of the 1/14th Infantry, A Company minus is at 795125, 2nd platoon is at 882157, SRPs at 793137, 788125, 794119, 802125, 883147, 890154. B Company NL is at 195230, SRPs at 195223, 190236, 201233. C Company is at St. George, SRPs at 853162, 877153, 867127, 827148. D Company minus is at 243192, 1st platoon is at 989358, 3rd platoon is at 994354, SRPs at 248211, 249214, CSF at 837111. C Company 2nd platoon 2/8 is at St. George. Recon is at 822986, SRPs at 822981, 826987. 4.2 mortars are at 243192, 243192. Plans Summary: A Company 1st platoon moves from NL to the west conducting platoon size RIF along the bluelines to the southwest, conducting bushmasters during the hours of darkness; CP with 3rd platoon, weapons platoon moves from NL to the south to reach ravine to conduct sweeps along the blueline to the south; 2nd platoon moves from NL toward St. George sweeping along the way. B Company conducts platoon size RIF in Frontier 96 moving further south in the sugarloaf area to secure EOD blowing bombs; remainder of element continues to southeast to conduct platoon size operations and bushmasters during the hours of darkness. C Company will continue defense of St. George with 4 one day SRPs to the north, northeast, east, south, southwest; one platoon on 15 minute standby; one reinforced squad conduct daylight patrols to the the northeast; remainder of element conducts training in night operations. D Company 1st platoon moves from NL to the east conducting sweep toward 3rd platoon location that is securing 4.2; 2nd platoon moves from ambushes to the southwest conducting RIF; D Company minus and 4th platoon secures 4.2 section hipshoot; both 3rd and 4th platoons will conduct local patrols around respective hipshoot sites. Recon will conduct sweep from NL to the east in conjunction with RF platoon operation moving toward Hwy 14. (cont'd)	Bde	RM

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15	2000	2001	(U) To Bde from Bn. (cont'd) CSF from Flei Me Bde continues to conduct operations in the immediate area conducting platoon size RIF moving NL to the southwest. 2/C/2-8 continue to repair 2 downed APC, if operational will conduct terrain orientation patrol vic of Weigt Davis. Air request: one LOH first flyable for 4 hours for VR and CC, one slick first flyable for backhaul for 2 hours, one slick for resupply at 1400 hours for 2 1/2 hours.		RM
			KIA KIA(EST) CIA WPNS		
	Enemy Casualties	(C)	0 0 4 0		
	Enemy Casualties	(C)	742 155 107 137		
	Cumulative				
			KIA WIA CIA		
	US Casualties	(C)	0 0 0		
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			1 October 1969 Summary		
			(C) The Golden Dragons continued RIF, SRP, and Ambush operations within the assigned AO. 2/C/2-8 are still OPCON to the 1/14th. A Company 2nd platoon spotted about 75 individuals with negative results.		
			(C) Plans: The 1/14th Infantry will continue RIF, SRP, and Ambush operations within the assigned AO. 2/C/2-8 will remain OPCON to the 1/14th.		

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