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UTAH BEACH

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 HOUR 0001 DATE APR 9 1968

TO  
 HOUR 2400 DATE 9 March 68

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ITEM NO.	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INITIALS
	IN	OUT			
1	0001		Opened 9 March 1968	J	DR3
2	0040	0055	Sit Rep Neg. ABCD+RON	J Bde	DR3
3	0145	0155	Sit Rep Neg. ABCD+RON	J Bde	DR3
4	0245	0300	SIT REP NEG A,B,C,D, & RON.	J, Bde	WRD
5	0345	0400	SIT REP NEG. A,B,C,D, NO COMMO RECON.	J, Bde	WRD
6	0416		COMMO EST WITH RECON!		
7	0445	0500	SIT REP A,B,C,D, & RECON. NEGATIVE	J, Bde	WRD
8	0545	0600	SIT REP A,B,C,D, & RECON NEGATIVE	J, Bde	WRD
9	0630	0631	M.S. DELTA DEPARTED	J Bde	WR
10	0632	0633	M.S. ALFA DEPARTED	J Bde	WRD
11	0700	0700	A CO TIGER BACK IN LOCATION D CO TIGER BACK IN LOCATION	J, Bde	WRD
12	0728		A CO MINE SWEEP CHECK POINT C	J.	
13	0722		<del>FOR WEATHER</del> Bde S-3 AIR Neo Inform <del>RETNAT</del> Delay on COMBAT ASSULT.	INFORM S-3	CAJ
14	0810		CoD minicomp via FSB Hardcore	J, Bde	RS
15	0810		CoB moving at this time	J	DR
16	1825		CoA: vehicles are starting to move across road from to it being completely cleared <del>to inform the vehicles as such</del>	J, BSA	CR
17	0830		CoA minicomp CPE have linked up with element from other direction	J, Bde	CR

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18	0841		CoB: First element of CoB departs <del>at</del> <sup>by CoB</sup> this time 510552.	J, Bde	as
19	0845		14 <sup>th</sup> ENGR will PICK UP CoC at INTERSECTION OF 555 AND ACCESS ROAD BETWEEN 1630-1700 hrs	J, S3A	as
20	0858		CoC first lift of CA off at this time.	J, Bde	as
21	0900		CoB: First elements reached point 510552	J, Bde	as
22	0906		CoC: first lift of CA down at this time LZ 526493	J, Bde	as
23	0916		Bde: When we complete our CA must turn CoC SHIP OVER TO 2-17 CAU	J,	as
24	0915		CoC: second lift on the LZ at this time second lift off at 0909 - LZ green	J, Bde	as
25	0925		CoC: Third lift of CoC on LZ this time third lift off 0920	J, Bde	
26	0921		CoB: Entire element at 510552	J, Bde	as
27	0928		CoA: THE PF + RF have linked up with CoA element <del>at 25 mi</del> <sup>late</sup>	J, Bde	as
28	0938		CoC: fourth lift and final lift of CA LZ 0937 PZ 0931	J, Bde	as
29	0942		CoB: Have made coordination with	J, Bde	as

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30	0944		indigenous personnel will start sweep at this time		
31	0944		CoA: Will start sweep at this time	J, Bde	QPS
32	0955	0955	2nd Bn 1st ABN REG. GRAY READER OPERATION CANCELLED	J, Bde	KOB
33	1000		CoA: Minesweep at CP Delta	J, Bde	QPS
34		1007	TO Bde: C+C ship released at this time	J, Bde	QPS
35	1012		CoC: 2nd plt reports 200 US 81mm found approx 40 meters from them.	J, CO, SWIFT PORT	QPS
36	1020		CoA: Minesweep linked up with CoD via 436492, CoD minesweep found mine that location process of disarming at this time	J, S3A	QPS
37	1050		CoA LOCATION INDIA R0.5 D0.3 YD 455 497		QPS
39	1051		CoB location: TIDE R2.2 U3.5 YD 522535		QPS
40	1052		CoC: location: TIDE R1.5 D1.0 YD 515 490		QPS
			2ND PLT LOCATED EXPLOSIVE TYPE BOOBY TRAP VIC TIDE R1.7 D1.0 Booby trapped		
			By PULL RELEASE DEVICE WITH TRIP WIRE 1 FOOT OFF THE GROUND DESTROYED IN PLACE		
41	1054		CoD: THE Mine via 436492 HOLDS OF EXPLOSIVE	J, Bde	QPS
42	1102		CoA: dm CONTACT LIGHT FIRE VIC <del>436492</del> J		

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			<del>462493.</del> FIRE coming from the S/E, FIRE came FROM SMPH ARMS W/PLS, CONTACT WAS BROKEN 1107, NO US CAV.. ENEMY CAV UNKNOWN.	S, Bole	CS
43	1105		B Co Found BUNK IN VIC Y17520538 BUNKER LOOKS TO BE 5 MONTHS OLD, ALSO LOOK TO BE USE AS SLEEPING AREA, BUNKER WAS FLOOR FACING TO THE EAST B Co Blew Bunker.	J, Bole	GA
44	1125	1125	Requested med-evac for wounded PFRF - working with A. Co.	J- Bole	CV
45	1125		C Co reports that the bobby trap they found was AN explosive type, NOT A frag type device.	J Bole	
46	1130		A Co, PFRS & RFRS received SA <del>was spotted</del> - <del>Disabling is</del> 1 RFR, WIA - 1 PFR WIA, RFR NOT WOUNDED AT THIS TIME. req med evac for PFR. PFRs moving back to covering point. Also moving to back of bunker.	J Bole	MLA

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47	1140		B Co 4D 519536 found dump pit, diam 2'x2'x2', 5 lbs 1' long. (est) Checking area for more	J Bde	JMK
48	1202		A Co 459493, saw 3 WIA from delgious press, believed to be sniper fire, pulling back for indirect fire.	J Bde	JMK
49	1220		Remind you Medic Bravo. Am ships enroute to a location. Call sign Black Angels. Medicine will be out of 28	J	JMK
50	1240		B Co observed 2 dud's, one <del>was</del> w/ foot protruding outside wire, all bringing in for interrogation.	J Bde	JMK
51	1250		fm Bde 2 Yankee to 2 - <del>FRED 4D 512483 within 2500</del> <del>meters, time early morning.</del>	52	JMK
52	1305		<del>TO Bde: In reference to explosive mine</del> found 436492 contained 10 LBS of C4 type explosive about 9" diameter buried		

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52	cont		1 FOOT Deep	J, Bde	ORS
53	1310		CoC location TIDE R0.1 UO.2 <sup>501502</sup>	J, Bde	ORS
54	1311		CoB location TIDE R 2.3 U3.6 523536	J, Bde	
55	1314		CoA: Med -evac came 1300 complete at 1305 hrs 2 WIA EUACD	J, Bde	ORS
56	1315		CoA: Location from India R1.1 D1.5 YD461485	J, Bde	
57	1325		CoA at 1320 rpt that friendly forces has received probe from INDIA R1.3 D1.0 seems to be a bunker with 3 to 4 snipers in it A Co gave friendly some laws. CoA will move to from India R2.3 D1.5 then come back north. The attached PF+RF Casualties as of now 1 KIA, 2 WIA	J, Bde	ORS
58	1327		B Co perimeter security spotted 2 vietnamese crawling in the wire out to their front. Fire two warning shots. Vietnames stop crawling. B Co send 1 SQUAD to bring them in. Then they will turn over to our S-2 (YD 501502)	J, Bde	ORS

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59	1353		<p style="text-align: center;"><b>CONFIDENTIAL</b></p> <p>RILEY DOGMA ELEMENT HAVE 3 Body COUNT, 1AK47, 1CKC BOLT ACTION, <sup>1 FILE</sup> @ THE 3 Body COUNT WERE VC, NEG RESISTANCE AT THIS TIME.</p>	J, Bde	JS
60	1403		<p>CoC! RECON PLT OBSERVES 2-3 INDIVIDUALS FROM TIDE LO, 1 <sup>501 507</sup> VO, 7 APPEARS 2 OF THEM MAY HAVE WPNS, WILL SEND SCOUTS TO CHECK THEM OUT</p>	J.	JS
61	1408		<p>CoA - RILEY DOGMA E43 - MADE CONTACT SPORADIC SNIPER FOE VIC INDIA R 1.5 DO. 9 465 491 HAVE 2 VC SUSPECTS, UNKNOWN DIR of force this time.</p>	J, Bde, CO	JS
62	1417		<p>Co: RILEY DOGMA E43; the sniper fire has subsided at this time.</p>	J, Bde	JS
63	1425		<p>CoC: Ken plt observes 2 VC <sup>believed to be</sup> vic 501 507 appeared to have wpns fired small arms negative assessment individual were moving to the NE will fire arty at this time to the vic that they are moving</p>	J, Bde	JS

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64	1443		Co enroute to Wunder Beach	J	GRD
65	1446		Co ARRIVE AT Wunder Beach	J	GRD
66	1445		CoA: Have artillery falling between us and Riley Dogma personnel. Have talked to Frenchies to adjust the fire	J, CoA	GRD
67	1457		CoC location TIDE LO.2 UO.7 498 507	J, Bde	GRD
68	1505		CoB: would like the pick up transportation at 1530 HR. TO CoB - CAN PUT AS MANY AS DETERMINED BY CO. CoB location TIDE R3.5 U.2.8 YD 535928	J, CoB, S3A, Bde	GRD
69	1515		CoA: Riley Dogma element are starting to move back to vic of FSB hardware, CoA location India R1.5 D1.2 will move to India R2.3 D1.5 473 485 CoA finding small caches of have found about 100 LBS OF RICE, IN BUNKERS vic 465 488. IF CANNOT FIND ANYONE DESERVING TO GIVE IT TO, WILL DESTROY	J, Bde	GRD
70	1523		CoA: Moving to village vic 473485 Reconnaled by fire into village received 1 burst of anti fire AK type. will request airstrike	J, Bde	GRD
<del>71</del>	<del>1525</del>		<del>TO Bde: would like to</del>		
72	1528		TO Bde: Request immediate airstrike on	J, Bde	GRD



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72	cont		Vic 473485, estimated force unit possibly left		QJ
73	1552		Bde: Cannot get airstrike into 473485 because of ARVN clearance		
74	1602		TOBde: Request to know why cannot get ARVN clearance for airstrike 473485.	J, Bde	QJ
75	1602		ARTY: Clearance has been granted from ARVN for airstrike vic 473485	J, CO	QJ
76	1603		Bde: Have 2 fighters enroute to CoA location ETA 05 min	J, CO	QJ
77	1617		CoB, have picked up 1 detainee bringing him to Wunder Beach vic 5225 <sup>35</sup> , details when arrive	J	QJ
78	1623		CoB: Have linked up with transportation 540 530 enroute to Wunder Beach by goer	J, Bde	QJ
79	1623		CoC: Approx 700 meters from pickup point		
80	1629		CoC location 461523 ready for pickup by truck	J, Bde	QJ
81	1630		CoB: Have no detainees at this time	J	QJ
82	1635		CO Enroute to Camp Evans	J	QJ
83	1640		Bde: Meeting for Comdus at 1630	J, CO	QJ

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84	1655		B Co Close IN To Wunder Beach	J, Ble	CS
85	1657		C Co ON MOVE TO Wunder Beach	J, r	CS
86	1705		C Co Close INTO Wunder Beach	J, Ble	CS
87	1712		C receive extension on Log ship from J-3 A/R	J. CO, Ble	CS
88	1716		CoA Airstrike complete negative assessment at this time	J, Ble	CS
89	1746		CoA 2nd Airstrike complete this time will move into the area to make an assessment.	J, Ble	CS
90	1746		TO DTDC (CPT Gillem) Summary of ACTIVITIES 5-7 APR 68	J, Diu G3	CS
91	1803		CoA: IN CONTACT HAVE 1 CASUALTY EXTENT INJURY UNKNOWN. ALSO REQUEST LIGHT FIRE TEAM. FROM INDIA R2.5 D2.5	J, Ble, CO	CS
92	1807		CO: HAVE CoA BREAK CONTACT WITH SUPPORTING FIRES AND RETURN TO HARDCORE	J, CoA, XO	CS
			CONSIDER REINFORCEMENTS TO HARDCORE		
93	1818		CoA: Have 2 WIA will get them to PZ CO SOON POSSIBLE.	J, Ble	CS
94	1820		Ble: Have extension of log bid to 1900 hrs	J, SI	CS
95	1821		CoA: Unknown as to size of enemy contact	J, Ble	CS

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96	1823		Bde: light fire team has been approved	J, CoA	QPS
97	1825		CoA: Have 1 KIA at this time cannot get to him at this time	J, Bde	QPS
98	1832		CoA: Have 4 WIA and 1 KIA at this time. <del>Request med-evac</del>	J, Bde	QPS
99	1835		Bde: the log bird has been extended to 1900 hrs	J, S3	QPS
100	1840		CoA: 5 WIA, 1 KIA, receiving no fire at this time, moving out now	J, Bde	QPS
101	1845		TO medic Bravo: Request Med-evac for 5 WIA	J,	QPS
102	1858		Med-evac down at 1858 hrs for pick up	J	QPS
103	1859		Med-evac off at 1859 hrs complete for 5 WIA	J, Bde	QPS
104	1904		BDE! ETA ON LOG BIRD 15 MIN	J, S3	QPS
105	1917		TO Bde: Estimated CoA made contact with reinforced platoon presently disengaged and moving generally south. Stryker artillery in the vic of contact	J, Bde	QPS
106	1945		TO Bde: CoA location for tonight will be Hardcore upon closing + 1 platoon of CoD		

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106	Cont		COB location Wunder Have 1 Ambush BLACK R1.5 U2.5 CoC Wunder Hatch CoD+RCN ATTACHED WUNDER BEACH	J, Bde	DS
107	2010	2011	ACO FR INDIA L.O.5 D.O.3	J, Bde	WRD
108	2015	2016	ACO LEAD ELEMENTS CLOSING HARD CORE	J, Bde	WRD
109	2037		B CO AMBUSH IN PLACE FR BLACK R 2.0 U 3.0	J	WRD
110	2045	2046	SIT REP B,C,D, & RECON ACO CLOSED HARD CORE 2030	J, Bde	WRD
111	2053		SWITCH 6 LAND THIS LOCATION	J, Bde	WRD
112	2103		DELTA CO. WILL USE WEAPONS PLATOON PUSH AS CO. PUSH. ELEMENT "COMING EVENT C" IS OPERATING ON THEIR PUSH	J	WRD
113	2145	2200	SIT REP A,B,C, D, & RECON NEGATIVE	J, Bde	WRD
114	2245	2300	SIT REP A,B,C, D, & RECON NEGATIVE	J, Bde	WRD
115	2255		CALLIED TO BDE 22:00: A CO HAD BODY COUNT OF FOUR, RPIE HAD COUNT OF THREE, ONE AK-47 AND ONE CARBINE	J, Bde	WRD
116	2345	2400	SIT REP A,B,C, D, & RECON NEGATIVE	J, Bde	WRD

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			CLOSED OUT		
			A CO 5 WIA (EVAC)		
			1 KIA - A Co		
			1 BODY COUNT OF FOUR		
			DETAINES - B-2		
			RPF BODY COUNT OF THREE		
			1 AK-47		
			<u>1 CARBINE</u>		
			9 APRIL 68 TOTAL		
1	69		US KIA		
2	305		US WIA		
3	291		BC		
4	67		PW'S AND DETAINEES		
5	60		INDIV WPNS CAPTURED		
6	18		CREW SERVED WPNS CAPTURED		
7	20		US WPNS CAPTURED		
8	17		CONTACTS PVT OR SMALLER		
9	16		CONTACTS Co OR LARGER		
10	3		CONTACTS BN OR HIGHER		
11	3		RRADIOS - 1 FLD PHONE (COMM EQPT)		

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