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1	0045		Sitrep Neg.	Bde			
2	0145		Sitrep Neg.	Bde			
3	0245		Sitrep Neg.	Bde			
4	0345		Sitrep Neg.	Bde			
5	0445		Sitrep Neg.	Bde			
6	0545		Sitrep Neg.	Bde			
7	0640	0645	Fm Bunker: Sitrep Neg.	Bde	wg		
8	0642	0645	Fm Co A: Sitrep Neg.				
9		0650	To Bde: Yesterday operation was conducted by PHU HOA Province Chief.		ars		
10	0652		Mototored Bde CO: Will be a meeting of Bn CO and S3 0900.	Co	ars		
11	0657		Co A: Request to start moving in at 0700 instead of 0730. (Approved)	Bde			
12	0755		All elements of Co A linked up.	J Bde	ars		
13	0809		First Lift Recon.	Bde	ars		
14	0830		Co A closed in to Cu Chi.	Bde	ars		
15	0820		First Lift Recon down.	Bde	ars		
16	0831		Second lift Recon.	Bde	ars		
17	0840		Bunker Sit Rep Neg.	Bde	ars		
18	0923		2nd lift Recon down 0842, 3rd lift 0853, down 0904, 4th lift 0917,	Bde	ars		
19	0942		4th lift Recon down 0917, 5th lift 0942.	Bde			

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20			5th lift Recon down 0954, 6th lift 1015, 6th down 1027.		
21	1037		Last lift Recon 1030.		wg
22	1038		Cu Chi Dustoff frequency changed to 69.25.	J	
23	1050		Recon close 1050 hrs.	Bde	as
24	1100		Fm Bde: EOD will detonate unexploded ordnance this afternoon approx 1300 hrs in northern sector of perimeter.	T	
25	1150		Bunker Sitrep Neg.	Bde	ars
26	1215		3/4 Cav will be firing from firing point 3 from 1300-1500, will be on our frequency.	Bde	ars
27	1246		Bunker Sitrep Neg.	Bde	ars
28	1340		Bunker Sitrep Neg.	Bde	
29	1445	1445	Sitrep Neg Command Bunker.	Bde	jdj
30	1503	1504	3/4 Cav ceased firing and closed range 3 this time.	Bde	jdj
31	1545	1545	Sitrep Negative (Bunker)	Bde	jdj
32	1550		From LT Bishoff: Spotted VC boat camouflaged and 2 camouflaged huts XT 750213.	Bde	jdj
33	1645		Sitrep Neg (Bunker).	Bde <del>jdj</del>	jdj
34	1650		D-I departed base camp 1530 (Late entry)	Bde	jdj
35	1700		D-I location XT 695 175.	Bde	jdj
36	1745		Sitrep Neg from Command Bunker.	Bde	jdj

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37	1845		Sitrep Neg from Command Bunker.	Bde	
38	1900		Two persons coming toward bunker 56, they	Bde	
<del>38</del>			are wearing black pjs. One 700 m the other		
			250 m out.		
39	1910		D-I location is XT 637 177.	Bde	jdj
40	1925		D-I closed in to ambush position.		
41	1945		Cu Chi base camp came under mortar attack,	Bde	jdj
			commenced counter mortar 1945. Non stop		
			33 in the area and spotted mortar flashes		
			expended all his ammo.		
42	1950		Nom D-I, small arms hitting all around his	Bde	
			position, working on getting it moved out.		
43	1955		D-I mortars 800m from his position, 6000	Bde	
			mills.		
44	1952		From D-I enemy mortars after 40 be at	Bde	
			XT 636 187.		
45	2000		Mortar firing believed to have stopped 05	Bde	jdj
			min ago.		
46	2001		From D: One casualty lightly wounded. Check-	Bde	jdj
			ing at this time.		
47	2002		From A Co: 4 or 5 res landed between him	Bde	jdj
			and P Co.		
48	2005		From D-1: Patrol, now appears to be suffering	Bde	jdj

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48 cont			from blast. Back area medic checking now.	Bde	jdh		
49	2007		Explosions in his area wounded man does not need evack.				
50	2008		From S3: No casualties in base camp area. Casualty on patrol, not serious. Patrol adjusting fireing, LT Bishoff adjusting fire from Bird Dog.	Bde	jdh		
51	2025		From Bde: All clear, get a cout of personnel and rds that come into the area.	To Co's	jdh		
52	2120		To all Co's CO's: Meeting tommorrow (20 Jan) 0730 Officers Club. Be prepared to stay all morning.	Co's	jdh		
53			Small arms fired between 60-61 bunker. Fm Bunker.	Bde	jdh		
54	2145		Sitrep Neg Bunker and D-1 Patrol.	Bde	jdh		
55	2150		From S3: Two personnel not accounted for. Hewbanks, Janes PFC RA 26 375 375 Scott, John D PVT RA 16 838 315 Personnel were present after mortar attack.	Bde <del>jdh</del>	jdh		
56	2230		Personnel from G Co returned at 2230.		grc		
57	2245		Sitrep Neg.	Bde			
58	2345		Sitrep Neg.	Bde			
59	2400		Closed Journal.				

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Journal Summary:

Co A ambush patrols returned from ambush site 190700 with neg contact. Recon Plt returned from training with ARVN unit at Phu Cuong. Platoon size ambush from Co D established 191925 vic XT 637 177 negative contact. Approximately 191940 ~~xxxxxxx~~ CU CHI Base Camp came under mortar attack with approximately 33 rds impacting in the Base Camp complex. Delta Patrol observed enemy mortar flashes vic XT 636 187 mortar attack ended approx 191955 hrs. Bn had no casualties, one man from Co D patrol suffered blast injury. B Co remain OPCON to CG, 101st Abn Div.

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3	0245		Sitrep Neg.	Bde	
4	0345		Sitrep Neg.	Bde	
5	0445		Sitrep Neg.	Bde	
6	0500		From Bunker 56: They are receiving sniper fire at this time are answering back with M-79. They fired five M-79 rds and received apx six single shot rds landing somewhere in helipad.	Bde	
7	0545		Sitrep Neg.	Bde	
8	0548		Received call from Bde, CPT Downy, ref COL Tallman's visit on the 23rd, up north, it has been cancelled.	Acknowledge	
9	0628		From Command Bunker: Bunkers 56-58 received approx 30 rds of auto & Semi Auto fire from thr right of bunker 58.	Bde	
10	0630		From Bde: Meeting for S4 and S3 Air. Conference room 0730.	Bde	
11	0640		Bunker: Sitrep Neg.	Bde	
12	0640	0645	From Bunker: Sitrep Neg.	Bde	cln
13	0642	0645	From D Co: Sitrep Neg.	Bde	cln
14	0700	0745	D Co. Ambush patrol moving back to base	Bde	cln

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14	cont		camp 0700.				
15	0740	0745	From Bunker: Sitrep Neg.	Bde		ars	
16	0755	0800	Delta element within base camp 0755.				
17	0810		From Bde Sig Officer: Desire LT Phiefer to meet with me at Bde ASAP.			cln	
18	0830		Delta 1 patrol closed Co area 0810.				
19	0840	0845	From Bunker: Sitrep Neg.	To Bde		cln	
20	0850	0855	From Bde: Meeting for all CO Ccmds at HHC mess hall with GEN Clay. ASAP.	To CO Ccmds.		cln	
21	0930	0935	Gave permission to 4/23 to move convoy through our AO.	To Bde		cln	
22	0945	0945	From Bunker: Sitrep Neg.	To Bde		cln	
23	1040	1045	From Bunker: Sitrep Neg.	To Bde		cln	
24	1140	1145	From Bunker: Sitrep Neg.	To Bde		cln	
25	1240	1240	From Bunker: Sitrep Neg.	To Bde		cln	
26	1330		From Bunker: A water buffalo tripped a trip flare to the front of bunker 56, and has started fire.			cln	
27	1346		Sitrep from Command Bunker: Neg.	Bde			
28	1430		From Bde: Continue to take CP tablets, effective immediately start taking daily dapazone tablets.	S-3, S-1		jdj	
29	1535		4th CAV have completed destruction of				

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29 cont			ordinance and are returning to base camp.	L	
30	1545		Sitrep Neg.	Bde	
31	1640	1645	From Bunker: Sitrep Neg.	To Bde	cln
32	1745		Sitrep Neg.	Bde	
33	1845		Sitrep Neg.	Bde	
34	1945		Sitrep Neg.	Bde	
35	2045		Sitrep Neg.	Bde	
36	2055		Bunker 57 has received one rd S/A fire.	Bde	
			Landing in helipad.		
37	2056		Have received automatic W/F from VIC bunker 57.	Bde	
38		2107	To A, C, D Co: A Co CO will have Hq 6, D Co will have Hq 3, C Co will have Hq 2.	A, B, D Co:	fml
39	2115		Alerted companies of ground and mortar attack.	L	
40	2122		Fr Bde: Under Mortar attack.		
41	2145		Sitrep Neg.	Bde	
42	2211		The alert is off at this time. Standown is the word for all clear.	Companies	
43	2245		Sitrep Neg.	Bde	
44	2345		Sitrep Neg.	Bde	
45	2400		Closed Journal.		

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1	0005		From Bde: Bde has received info that there are four Companies of VC at XT603200. One VC has been captured by the 3/4 Cav. This is their source of Info.	Notified Command Bunker	
2	0045		SIT REP Neg.	Bde	
3	0050		From Bde: They want a report from the Companies that there is no VC in the bunkers around the Company areas.	Notified Companies	
4	0100		Engineers attached to us will not join us till we get to new area. Reason being their equipment is packed and they have vehicles that their personnel have to drive in convoy.	Logged	
5	0120		From Companies: Neg personnel in area bunkers.	Bde	
6	0145		SIT REP Neg contact	Bde	
7	0245		SIT REP Neg.	Bde	
8	0345		SIT REP Neg.	Bde	
9	0445		SIT REP Neg.	Bde	
10	0530		C element has departed at this time.		
11	0545		SIT REP Neg.	Bde	
12	0615		C element arrived at CPL, Serial 1.	Bde	
13	0645		SIT REP Neg.	Bde	
14	0745		SIT REP Neg.	Bde	
15	0845		SIT REP Neg.	Bde	
16	0640	0647	Late entry - Serial 2 CP #1	To Bde	
17	0625	0627	Late entry - Serial 1 CP #2	To Bde	
18	0710	0710	Late entry - Serial 2 CP #2	To Bde	

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19	0755	0757	Laten entry: Serial 1 CP#3	To Bde	cln		
20	0815	0815	Late entry: Serial 1 CP#4	To Bde	cln		
21	0841	0843	Late entry: Serial 2 CP#3	To Bde	cln		
22	0845	0845	Serial 1 CP#5	To Bde	cln		
23	0914	0915	Serial 1 CP#6	To Bde	cln		
24	0918	0920	Serial 2 CP#4	To Bde	cln		
25	0939	0945	Serial 3 CP#1	To Bde	cln		
26	0955		From Bde: S4; Notify LTC Tallman to call Deputy 27-F on his push 65.55 and report loc- ations of serials	To Col Tallman	cln		
27	1025	1025	Serial 1 CP# 7 1025	To Bde	cln		
28	1033	1035	Serial 3 CP#2 1030	To Bde	cln		
29	1045	1045	SITREP negative	To Bde	cln		
30	1050	1050	Serial 4 CP#1	To Bde	cln		
31	1105	1110	Serial 2 at CP #5	To Bde	cln		
32	1140	1145	From Bunker: SITREP Negative	To Bde	cln		
33	1124	1150	Late entry: Serial 3 at CP#4 at 1207	To Bde	cln		
34	1137	1150	late entry: serial 2 at CP#6	To Bde	cln		
35	1215	1215	Serial 3 at CP#4 at 1207	To Bde	cln		
36	1215	1215	Serial 4 at CP#2 at 1215	To Bde	cln		
37	1230	1230	Serial 3 at CP#5 at 1230	To Bde	cln		
38	1245	1245	Serial 4 at CP#3 1240	To Bde	cln		
39	1255	1255	Serial 3 at CP#6 1255	To Bde	cln		

