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52/3
2ND BN 561ST ABN INF

L.2. GERONIMO

FROM		TO	
HOUR	DATE	HOUR	DATE
0001	5 MAY 68	2400	5 MAY 68

ITEM NO	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INITIALS
	IN	OUT			
1	0045		SIT REP A, D, AND RECON NEGATIVE	J, BDE	WARD
2	0135		C ELEMENT HAD ONE MEDI EVAC. UNWOUNDED 1 ST WOUND BY BULLET WAS TAKEN TO MED. SHED. ALSO 1 ST WOUND GOT ONE BODYCOUNT AND ONE AK-47 ARR OACON TO '1502, MAN WAS NO 68 ON ROSTER NO 5	J, SI	WARD
3	0145		SIT REP A, D, AND RECON NEGATIVE	J, BDE	WARD
4	0226		FR BDE. F.S.B. GERONIMO MUST HAVE 100% ALERT. ENEMY MOVEMENT HAS BEEN REPORTED VIS. 7122. HUE AND CAMP EAGLE HAVE RECEIVED MORTAR ATTACKS.	DG, G, AG,	WARD
5	0239		FR. WHITE EAGLE, WANTS DT FIRED IN.		
6	0255		As of this time, all staff & personnel at Fire Support BASE GERONIMO HAVE BEEN Alerted & ARE standing ready.	J,	WAP.
7	0325		From D Co. observers several rockets being fired into Hue NW section.	J, Bde	WAP.
8	0330		A Co reports being at observing		

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8	(cont)			rockets being launched - location of 190° - 2 to 3 kilometers range.				J. Bde.	
9	0340			<div style="border: 2px solid red; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> APPROX GRID 675150 CONFIDENTIAL 1st Bde: 1st AVN DIV. NE </div> corner of the under heavy gun all at this time.				J.	
10	0342			For D Co: NW corner of the appears also under ground attack - can see traces fr. SA things.				J. Bde	
11	0345			DELTA 6 AND U.S. POLICE AT BRIDGE HAVE OBSERVED MORTAR BEING FIRED VIS. 732211 ARIE GOING TO RED LEG.				J, BDE	WRD
12	0349			DELTA 6 HAS NO INJURED PEOPLE AND HAS CHECKED WITH CO AT HUE RAMP, HE ALSO HAS NEGATIVE INJURIES.				J, BDE, 6	WRD
13	0352			TO BDE, PEOPLE ON HUE HUE RAMP REPORT NO INCOMING SMALL ARMS. DID HAVE INCOMING MORTAR RDS. AT MACV COMPOUND. GAVE BDE DELTAS PUSH TO HELP IF MED EVAC SHOULD BE NEEDED				J, BDE, 6	WRD
14	0424			DELTA SIX REPORTS THAT HE WAS				J, BDE, 6	WRD

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UNABLE TO FIND ANY WOUNDED. ALSO
NO MORTARS COMING INTO HUE AT

J, BDE. 6

WRD

~~THIS TIME. SMALL ARMS HAS SEARCHED
ALSO.~~

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15 0430

RECEIVED ONE SUSPECTED ROUND
OR INCOMING ROCKET. DID NOT
EXPLODE. ALSO MEDEVAC COMPLETE
AT DELTA LOCATION

J, BDE, 6

WRD

16 0500

Sit Rep A + Recon unchanged.

J, Bde

WRD

17 0530

Sit Rep A D + Recon Negative

J Bde

WRD

18 0600

Sit Rep A D + Recon Negative

J Bde

WRD

19 0630

Sit Rep A D + Recon Negative

J Bde

WRD

20 0632

From Bde. came from Heglu
1 VC/PVA company at 702220
in route to 717 217

J

WRD

21 0637

C Co has 2 BC also has
1 radio on our post if we
want to contact him
Say he's got more but can't
get to them gets shot at
every time he tries.

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J

WRD

22 0645

A Mine Sweeper departed

J

WRD

23 0650

Col Cushman told us to contact

WRD

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23	(cont)		CO, been CO, 1st ARVN, to see if he needs assistance. Frequency 39.20. CO, been to asked for assistance - 2nd & 3rd platoon A12501 to go to coord. 703213 and block to east. A Co elements will depart 0730.	J, Bde	DRZ
24	0715		Received our log bid at 0710 Blackwidow 25	J Bde	DRZ
25	0720		A mine Sweep is departing this time	J	DRZ
26	0721		3 told A6 to call the mine Sweep team back	J Bde	DRZ
27	0750		A IS MOVING OUT AT THIS TIME	J Bde	DRZ
28	0825		Black widow 5 is our cc for today.	J Bde	DRZ
29	0840		D of the 1501 is open to us + will be until one of our platoon relieve them	J Bde	DRZ
30	0850		A is at their blocking location 704220	J Bde	DRZ
31	0858		A location Bear RD 0440 706215 708210 0.6 45 - 0.8 5.0	J Bde	DRZ
32	0905		D 1501 open to us now	J Bde	DRZ

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33	0915		A mine sweep departing again	J Bde	DRZ
34	0940		C 36 will go to quarters	J	DRZ
35	0947		C first left just airborne CONFIDENTIAL C pr at 686294	J Bde	DRZ
36	0952		C first left down at Guonimo	J Bde	DRZ
37	0957		C 2 left Airborne C pr at Guonimo 691202 A at 704220, 706215, 708210 mine sweep 702190 C half at Guonimo half at 686294 D 750210, D 1/501 pinky 687252, RCN, 663223	J Bde	DRZ
39	1002		C Second left Complete.	J	DRZ
40	1024		A mine sweep at 718203	J	DRZ
41	1040		Bdy said no birds available.	J Bde	DRZ
42	1046		Mine Sweep is Complete at this time. Road is open.	J Bde	DRZ
43	1100		From Bde - 2 log birds inbound	J Bde	DRZ
44	1103		Bld 25 will be in area about 15. CONFIDENTIAL	J Bde	DRZ
45	1106		Alpha moving	J P	DRZ

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46.	1115		Black Widow 39 inbound. 690248	J. 43	JMP
47	1127		D 1501 at Bear L.D. 1012	J	DR2
49.	1128		CONFIDENTIAL Alpha at Bear L.D. 0.5 4.5	J. Bdg	JMP
49.	1130		Alpha 11 Closed Monima	J. A.	RS
50	1137		Alpha Contact Vill - Wg Contact		
51	1145		Shik N-6 reports fire coming from 694245. going to check.	J. 3	JMP
52	1151		Alpha made contact with 1 KC checking out now.	J. Bdg	
53.	1205		Alpha 6 has 1 WIA at Bear L.D. 0.5 4.0	J. Bdg	JMP
54			Closed Out		
63	1235		Reopened Log.	J.	JMP
64.	1250		Alpha reports 1 KIA and 2 WIA at the time. Kilo has been recovered	J. Bdg	JMP
65	1251		Alpha has 1 WIA 2 Kilo has recovered all 3 request med Evac in about 10 (Buck Contact at this time)	J. Bdg	JMP
66.	1305		CONFIDENTIAL Shik N-6 reports 1 KIA with WIA, well spread out and dug in.	J. Bdg	JMP
67.	1310		Request med Evac for A.	J. Bdg	JMP

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68.	1320		Priority of CA into objective C- 7/501 C 1/501 B 2/501 1/501 A 2/501	J. 5	JRP
69.	1325		Plant off 64 ETA 1.5 on Med CONFIDENTIAL Evac Push.	J. a.	JRP
70.	1328		Shik D receiving fire on left flank stopped at this time.	J. 6.	JRP
71	1332		Metal Papa has people at 708230	J. 6.	JRP
72	1336		5 Shik in route map ^{to the} see onimo on Our Push. (From Bdg.)	J. 3.	JRP
73.	1337		Eagle Eye at our location (Pick)	J.	JRP
74.	1343		A/S beginning on Alfa objective Also had very large secondary explosion	J. Bdge	JRP
75.	1348		Black Widow 5 will contact us on our push for lift.	J. 3	JRP
76	1354		Request a LFT for Delta 1/501 to break Contact	J. Bdge	JRP
77.	1355		LATE Entry: 1345 - Alfa cancelled Med Evac - WIA not Serious.	J. Bdge	JRP
78.	1400		Alfa Kites & WIA evaced by CONFIDENTIAL Log bud - Black Widow 5 on our push.	J. Bdge	JRP
79.	1405		Alfa moving to 75B Heronimo.	J. Bdge	JRP
80.	1406		LFT Approved. (From Bdge)	J. 6	JRP
81.	1407		From Bdge Release Black Widow 44	J.	JRP

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98.	1535		Unit location A- 75B Meunimo Bravo- 687 308, C- 686 231, C- 1/501 686 248, D- 1/501 683 254. D- 1/501 683 254.	J. Bde	JSP
99.	1539		3 rd lift of C-1/501 complete	J. Bde	JSP
100.	1543		B from Base RD 1.1.3 (681 307)	J. Bde	JSP
101	1546		4 th lift of C-1/501 complete	J. Bde	JSP
102	1555		C 1/501 complete at LZ	J. Bde	JSP
103	1610		A 3/4 crew will secure LZ Pinky tonight	J. Bde	JSP
104.	1620		C location 686 231	J. Bde	JSP
105.	1632		1 st lift of B 7/501 complete at LZ 686 231	J. Bde	JSP
106	1636		2 nd lift of B 7Z at this time	J. Bde	JSP
107	1642		2 nd lift of B LZ at this time.	J. Bde	JSP
108	1644		Ladpole 109 inbound Pinky at this time.	J. Bde	JSP
109.	1647		3 rd lift B 7Z at this time.	J. Bde	JSP
110.	1700		4 th lift B LZ at this time	J. Bde	JSP
111.	1710		Bravo unit complete at LZ CONFIDENTIAL	J. Bde	JSP
112.	1711		Lead element of A 3/4 at Pinky move	J. Bde	JSP
113.	1810		A 3/4 all personnel have closed Pinky		

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			all 106 RR.	J.	DRZ
114.	1830		B 1/501 is tied in with Con the right and D 1/501 on left.	J.	DRZ
115.	1845		requested extension on log bid.	J. Bde	DRZ
116.	1846		Will receive another log bid - Black Widow 44. Release both at 1900.	J. Bde.	DRZ
117.	1850		Unit locations - C 1/501 left Flank - Erroneous entry - see item 121.	J. SM	SM
118.	1908		Black Widow 49 offered help on log.	J. Bde	DRZ
119	1913		Black Widow 48 flank ship beginning at this time.	J. Bde	DRZ
120	1918		Erroneous Entry see Item 121.	J. SM	SM
121	1945		Unit locations		
			D 1/501 R Flank 687247		
			L Flank 694249		
			B 2/501 R " 690234		
			L " 687247		
			C 1/501 R " 695236		
			L " 690234		
			C 1/501 R " 694249		
			L " 695236		
			CP 2/501 687253		

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			A 2/501 FSB Luminemo							
			D 2/501 Hue Bridges				J. Bole			DRZ
122.	1958		Basket Ball 804 due on Station							
			at 2000 hrs.				J. Bole			DRZ
123.	2000		D 501 reports movement of front							
			Checking with M-79.				J.			DRZ
124.	2010		D 501 reported 6 to 8 trip flares went off. Fired M-79 & 81A into objective area, Received 5/10 in return - resulted in 1 U.S. WIA No Med EVAC Needed.				J. Bole			DRZ
125.	2015		ARVN moving from 785210, bag and baggage into Hue. A force of 500 VC is reported to be east of Hue.				J. Bole			DRZ
126.	2042		C 7501 receiving RPG's and S/A's Returning M-79 & S/A.				J. Bole			DRZ
127.	2045		Alpha ambush spotted 8 individuals at 685199. Want to know if PF has any ambushed wearing Steel Pats.				J. Bole			DRZ
128.	2045		C 7501 & 7501 report small patrol of 8 men creeping up behind them. Fired on them and received RPG.							
			All quiet now.				J. Bole			DRZ
129.	2050		C 7501 spotted platoon size element							

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	Cont		coming up behind them, C 7501	J. Bde	DPZ
130	2052		Basket Ball 804 on Station	J. Bde	DPZ
131	2055		C 1501 says disregard last message of 8 personnel. It was shadow of illumination.	J. Bde	DPZ
132	2102		A ambushes in location.	J. Bde	DPZ
133	2108		Sit Rep neg except C 7501 & C 1501	J. Bde	DPZ
134	2130		C 1501 hears track vehicle at 703231	J. Bde	DPZ
135	2133		Basket Ball 804 has to leave on a higher priority	J. Bde	DPZ
136	2137		C Reports 7501 reports firing on 7 individuals. neg assessments. C 1501 has 5 individuals creeping up. Will wait till these 5 get closer and will fire - Vic 700238.	J. Bde	DPZ
137	2150		Sit Rep neg.	J. Bde	DPZ
138	2152		Black Widow 48 on Station with flaws.	J. Bde	DPZ
139	2215		D 7501 Sit Rep neg.	J. Bde	DPZ
140	2225		C 1501 16 element engaged 2 personnel VC/NVA who tripped flaws. received 1 RPG - all quiet.	J. Bde	DPZ
141	2240		From Bde - inform D 7501 thru		

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			will be 2 Own trucks crossing Budes. Don't fire on them.	J. Bde	DRZ
142.	2241		A 2/17 Car reported recovering. This coming rds believed from D 4501.	J. Bde	DRZ
143.	2250		Sit Rep neg.	J. Bde	DRZ
144	2251		Basket Ball 804 will last till 0300 requested another ship.	J. Bde	DRZ
145.	2258		C 7501 has 1 BC and 1 Wpn. Will retrieve Wpn in the morning.	J. Bde	DRZ
146	2330		A 3/17 Car has movement of 2 VC/WVA headed NE will engage when closer.	J.	DRZ
147.	2347		C 4501 Sees Signals - orange. Flashed 300 meter South. 699231 then to his front, the same signal 695237.	J. Bde	DRZ
148	2352		7501 Sit Rep Negative.	J. Bde	DRZ
			Closed out 5 May 68		
			Statistics 5 May 68		
			US KIA6 A-2	2	
			US KIA6 A-1 C-1	2	
			AK 47 A-3 C-1	4	
			BC A-3 C-2	5	
			Total carried forward		

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