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S 2/3 2nd Bn 501st (Abn) Inf		Pinky	FROM		TO			
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	IN	OUT						
1	0045		0001	9 May 68	2400	9 May 68		
			INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.					
			ACTION TAKEN					
			INITIALS					
1	0045		Sitrep neg: ABCD & Rcn				J, Bde	DRZ
2	0145		Sitrep neg: ABCD & Rcn				J, Bde	DRZ
3	0200		Delta's tiger located at 659245 sprung on 20					
			to 25 VC/NVA about 30 min ago. Were coming					
			down trail from the mountains SW. After hav-					
			ing a small arms battle the VC/NVA pulled					
			back and the ambush moved back to Delta's					
			NDP 656251. Believed to have killed 4 to 5					
			VC/NVA. Neg casualties. Personnel lost					
			their radio when they pulled back, D CO said					
			he would police it up in the morning.				J, DO, Bde	DRZ
4	0220		D is putting arty in area where tiger was					
			sprung				J	DRZ
5	0230		D's ambush was squad size				J, Bde	DRZ
6	0245		Sitrep neg: ABCD & Rcn				J, Bde	DRZ
7	0345		Sitrep neg: SBCD & Rcn				J, Bde	DRZ
8	0445		Sitrep neg: ABCD & Rcn				J, Bde	WRZ
9	0545		Sitrep neg: ABCD & Rcn				J, Bde	WRZ
10	0605		B element tigers closed back to NDP				J, Bde	WRD
11	0625		Delta element moving at this time				J, Bde	WRD
12	0629		C element tigers closed back to NDP				J, Bde	WRD
13	0631		D will check out last night's tiger site					
			enroute to Pinky				J	WRD
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14	0652		A Co ambushes closed				J, Bde	WRD	
15	0700		D Co has arrived in area of last night's contact and has begun to check the area. So far has recovered radiolost, found 1 NVN KIA (BO), with 1 AK47 (SN: 10088107.) This is a preliminary report; D continues to check.				J, Bde	WRD	
16	0715		Kingman 28 inbound - log bird				J, 43	WRD	
17	0718		C mine sweep moving				J, Bde	WRD	
18	0725		A mine sweep moving				J, Bde	WRD	
19	0733		D departing ambush site and enroute this locale				J, Bde	WRD	
20	0737		B moving at this time				J, Bde	WRD	
21	0805		Log to Rcn complete, logbird enroute this location				J, 43, 6	WRD	
22	0815		D element closing this location				J, Bde	WRD	
23	0845		PF will meet C element 691244. Fr Duty 6.				J, S3	WRD	
24	0846		B location 670250				J, Bde	WRD	
25	0848		Rcn sub departing				J, Bde	WRD	
26	0858		Six enroute LZ Geronimo				J	WRD	
27	0914		Logbird enroute to Sally for fuel.				J, 43	WRD	
28	0915		Rcn sub 663228				J, Bde	WRD	
29	0926		C moving at this time, logbird return this location				J, Bde	WRD	
30	0959		B element has found a downed UH 1H chopper						
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	30	cont	which has been down for quite a while and is badly beaten up. Vic 663259. Chopper is stripped, tail no 16940.	I	JDH
31	1010		Rcn patrol 640227 neg contact	I	JDH
32	1015		CONFIDENTIAL C Co vic 691244 linked up with PFs, coordinating at this time	I, Bde	JDH
33	1035		B Co 665255, questioned villager who stated 10 days ago at midnight 300 VC passed through heading east carrying weapons and long tubes.	J, Bde	JDH
34	1050		A Co mine sweep complete. Closed back to Geronimo.	J, Bde	JDH
35	1055		C Co 692243, 2 NVA bodies in uniform (green) killed by arty est 48 to 72 hrs old, lying in open.	J, Bde	JDH
36	1100		Unit locations: A Geronimo, B 663259, C 695240, D Pinky, Rcn patrol 638225.		
37	1105		CONFIDENTIAL C Co 695240 found 7 or 8 more bodies, can't tell due to many parts scattered over area, in uniform, various pcs web gear, 48-72 hrs old, killed by air.	I	JDH
38	1145		Rcn patrol 642232, C Co CP 695227, C 2d plt 693224, 1st & 3d plt 695228.	J	JDH
39	1200		C Co: local PF's S-2 reports that all VC		

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	39	cont	operating in C's area have moved to 692240 and 665238.	I	JDH
40	1238		A requests 81mm be moved to his location	J, Col Heiter	LMP
41	1240		C in position for log, ETA 1400.	I, 43	LMP
42	1245		C will send an element to village center of mass 694218	I	LMP
43	1248		Location of companies: A no call, B 648253, C no c, D no c, Rcn no c.	I, Bde	LMP
44	1259		A proposed location for tonight: 1st 699198, 2nd 681196, 3d 692195, CP 691202, OP 685245.	J	LMP
45	1330		Rcn patrol closed Satan.	I, Bde	JDH
46	1335		C Co 695217 found 500 lb bomb dud	J, Bde	JDH
47	1345		Informed Bde 3Y of Rcn location and asked permission to fire arty if out of AO. Bde confirmed he is out of our AO, and gave permission to leave trip flares at 640224, and to fire arty on indicated target at that loc	I, Bde	BAM
48	1355		B Co 648253 prepared to receive log	I, Bde	JDH
49	1355		C Co proposed loc for CP 699227, tigers 692230, 705227, 694220.		
50	1415		Fr ARVN: A jeep coming from Hue to Quang Dien on Hwy 1 fired M79, wounded 1 ARVN soldier	J	JDH
51	1500		Unit locations	J, Bde	

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52	1545		Briefing summary to Bde	J, Bde	JDH
53	1555		PFs departing C Co location at this time	J, Bde	JDH
54	1605		Fr C Co: PFs will remain with the element tonight	J, Bde	JDH
55	1743		B on the move again	J, Bde	DRZ
56	1755		EOD is ready to be lifted from C Co 695218	J	DRZ
57	1812		C EOD is picked up	J	DRZ
58	1813		B Ron changed to 646243 and one ambush changed to 651235	J	DRZ
59	1829		Logbird released to Bde	J, Bde	DRZ
60	1848		Locations: A Ron Geronimo		
			Ambush sqd 685205		
			881195		
			692195		
			699197		
			B Ron 646243		
			tigers 643242		
			643249		
			641241		
			651235		
			C Ron 699227		
			tigers 692220		
			692222		

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	60 cont		C tigers	697218					
				705227					
			D Ron	Pinky					
			tigers	675253					
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			Rcn	Satan	J, Bde			DRZ	
61	1903		from Cpt Madsen: reports Sgt Dorch received						
			7 or 8 rds when coming back from Phu Bai,						
			location - village south of Pinky			J		DRZ	
62	1906		C arrived at Ron 698231						
63	1910		Fr Bde: Received fr Div G-2 intelligence						
			report that Hue will be rocketed tonight			J, 12		DRZ	
64	1920		A: 1 tiger in location 685205			I			
65	1935		C 3d plt tiger in location 691231			I			
66	1945		A on line strength: 93.			I			
67	1950		C 1st tiger 692131			I			
			CONFIDENTIAL						
68	2015		Fr C: Tiger #3 in position			I			
69	2016		D Co - ambush in position			I		N	
70	2027		C's 2nd tiger in location 696218, completes						
			C tigers. A ambushes in location.			J,		DZ	
71	2100		ABCD & Rcn sitrep neg			J, Bde		DRZ	
72	2115		708243						
73	2145		Sitrep neg: ABCD & Rcn			J, Bde		DRZ	
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74	2255		Sitrep neg: ABCD & Rcn	J, Bde	DRZ
75	2345		Sitrep neg: ABCD & Rcn	J, Bde	DRZ
			Summary for 9 May 1968		
			Alpha remained at FSB Geronimo overnight. The mine sweep departed 0725, and returned at 1050 with negative results. The company continued to work on closing out FSB Geronimo and will remain overnight.		
			Bravo occupied NDP at 686244 with neg contact throughout the night. The company moved out at 0737 and conducted RIF operations in grid 6424, 6425, 6524, 6525, 6624, 6625. Neg contact throughout the day. Will NDP at 646243.		
			Charlie occupied FSB Pinky, with neg contact during the night. Departed Pinky at 0926, married up with one PF platoon at 692245 at 1015. Conducted RIF in grid squares 6921, 6922, 6923. At 1105 found at 695240 7 or 8 NVA bodies, approx 72 hrs old, killed by air strikes with various items of clothing and web gear. Neg contact during the day. Will occupy NDP together with PF platoon at 699227.		
			Delta occupied NDP at 656251. At 0130 his ambush at 659245 engaged estimated 20 to 30 NVA moving SW. After a brief fire fight the NVA broke contact at 0145 and the ambush moved back to NDP with neg casualties. At 0625 D Co moved from NDP with neg/destroyed and searched ambush area, finding 1 NVA KIA, 1 AK47, and a US radio which the ambush had lost earlier during the contact. The company then moved to FSB Pinky and spent the remainder of the day improving positions. They will remain at Pinky tonight.		
			Recon remained at Satan with neg contact. A squad size patrol moved out at 0848 and arrived at 165232, a suspected infiltration route, at 1145. A search of the area revealed nothing. The patrol planted 8 trip flares in the area and returned to Satan, closing at 1330. They will remain at Satan tonight.		
			STATISTICS 9 May 68		
			BC D-1, C-10 AK47 D-1	11 1	
			TOTALS CARRIED FORWARD		
			US KIA	102	

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			TOTALS CARRIED FORWARD (Cont)		
			US WIA	443	
			Body Count	518	
			Detainees	143	
			Captured Weapons		
			Individual	104	
			Crew served	30	
			US	28	
			Contacts		
			Platoon or smaller	21	
			Company or larger	21	
			Battalion or larger	13	
			Commo: 2 radios & 2 field phones	4	
			CLOSED OUT 9 May 68 LMP		

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