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Narrative

Operations Log

[1-30 Sep 1969]

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2. Please return receipt below.

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OF

Unit or Formation *1 FD SQN RAE*From *1 SEP 69*To *30 SEP 69***INDEX**

Narrative (AF C 2118)

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PART 3

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GENERAL

2. Entries are to be made daily on AF C 2118 (Adapted) each entry being initialled by the officer detailed to keep it.
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4. A Commanders Diary is to be compiled by commanders of all formations.

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5. A Commanders Diary is to be compiled in duplicate by:
 - a. Commanders of all formations.
 - b. Each branch of the staff at formation headquarters commanded by a brigadier or above.
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 - d. Personal staffs and officers holding special appointments.
 - e. Unit commanders.
 - f. Commanders of a detachment of a unit when so ordered.

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 - a. Cover (AF C 2119) (Adapted).
 - b. Index as printed on cover.
 - c. Narrative (AF C 2118) (Adapted).
 - d. Annexes as shown in the Index.
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COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

UNIT I FD SQN

MONTH AND YEAR SEP 69

OFFICER COMMANDING MAJ R. ROWE

ANNEX LETTER AND ENCLOSURE No.

DATE	EVENT OR INFORMATION
1 Sep 69	Commitment on Ops BURNHAM, NEPPABUNNA, BEAVER DAM VII and FRANGIMUS (Phase <u>11</u>), CONTINUED. Morning VR of the barrier minefield showed VC incursion in 2 places. The 40 ft ARC mesh tower was airlifted from FSPB SERLE to Nui Dat, to be dismantled. LCT continued to clear in the area approx 2 kms East of Dat Do. The mine clearing resulted in 38 initiations in the section adjacent to Lo Gom. Plant work on Route 23 between Dat Do and An Nhut continued.
2 Sep 69	Road reconstruction activities on Route 23 were delayed by activity in DatDo including a roadblock at the Northern checkpoint. Once again fresh tracks through the mine field were noted during the VR, this time in the NE section of Dat Do. 1Tp CETs under the Tp Comd (Capt B. Reid) concluded the task of demolitions and wreckage lift-out of the downed CH-47 (Chinook) which crashed near FSPB DIGGERS REST. Conditions in DIGGERS REST were extremely wet. Plant and tipper effort was sent to assist 3 Tp supporting 9RAR at FSPB JANET in Xuyen Moc. Land clearing and mine clearing ops continued satisfactorily, the latter East of Hoi My.
3 Sep 69	Plant was airlifted from FSPB DIGGERS REST to Nui Dat after establishing the FSPB. LCT experienced impossible working conditions in the damp soil and recovery of bogged dozers continued into the night. Phase <u>II</u> of Op FRANGIMUS concluded . Results to date are 7,261 mines exploded; 2,465 mines jumped but did not explode. A mini team from 1 Tp deployed with TANGO Force on Op CHIEFTAN in AO SABOT, North of Nui Dat.
4 Sep 69	The LCT took until 1332 hrs to recover all the bogged D8s. A 20ft tubular steel tower was airlifted into FSPB DIGGERS REST to improve observation. The 1Tp Comd (Capt B. Reid) concluded a VR of a river crossing which will be required to allow the US LCT to continue moving. Arrangements were initiated to airlift in two 30ft by 4 ft dia pre-assembled ARMCO culverts if required.
5 Sep 69	LCT stood to during the evening because of enemy 60mm mor fire just outside the perimeter. Road construction at AN NHUT was delayed because of Corden of Dat Do after an activity in the area last night. The 1 Tp Comd (Capt B. Reid) confirmed the requirement for crossing of the ^{Suoi} Le Le. 1 CET deployed to crossing site. The D8s and observation tower were extracted from Op BEAVER DAM VII East of Dat Do and returned to Nui Dat, the last lift returning at 1930 hrs. 3 of the bunkers const by 1 FD SQN around Dat Do were destroyed by the VC during the ni 4/5 Sep.

COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

UNIT 1 FD SQN

MONTH AND YEAR Sep 69

OFFICER COMMANDING Maj R ROWE

ANNEX LETTER AND
ENCLOSURE No.

DATE	EVENT OR INFORMATION
6 Sep 69	A further CET from 1 Tp was despatched to the culvert site in AO STUART. The two 48inch dia ARMCO culverts were flown into place by CH 47 ac at 1130hrs. The crossing was opened for limited traffic by evening. A mini team from 1 Tp with TANGO Force in AO SABOT discovered a booby trap consisting of a claymore set for detonation by a passing vehicle. Op NEPPABUNNA continued without incident. Plant sp was provided to assist in opening FSPB WANTON for the 2/52 ARVN Bn.
7 Sep 69	The 1 Tp teams at the crossing point in AO STUART continued laying corduroy surfacing on the approaches. The LCT commenced D8 repair & maintenance in Nui Dat. Otherwise a quiet day.
8 Sep 69	The OC (Maj R. ROWE) visited the 1 Tp teams working on the culvert and approaches in AO STUART. LCT 1 (D8s) redployed and commenced clearing either side of the Route 2 bypass road, heading North. Repair work on a part of the damaged Xuyen Moc airfield were completed by elms of Plant Tp and 3 Tp. A mini team from 1 Tp with TANGO Force in AO STUART SABOT discovered 2 Anti - tank mines, which were destroyed without incident. A small tunnel under Route 2 was discovered and is to be dealt with later.
9 Sep 69	A sudden move of 9RAR from FSPB WELLS required the deployment of a D4 dozer at short notice. LCT continued clearing North along the Route 2 bypass. The US LCT completed the crossing over the culvert const by 1 Tp.
10 Sep 69	During the night 9/10 Sep another of the bunkers built by 1 FD SQN was destroyed by the VC. The LCT continued clearing North astride Route 2; progress was rapid. 9RAR redployed North, Op out of FSPB WILTON. Plant Tp elms deployed to assist in opening the FSPB.
11 Sep 69	A CET from 1 Tp was flown into AO STUART to undertake a bunker demln task. LCT continued clearing North astride Route 2. Otherwise a quiet day.
12 Sep 69	A quiet day. LCT, Op BURNHAM and Op NEPPABUNNA continued.

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UNIT 1 FD SQN

MONTH AND YEAR SEP 69

OFFICER COMMANDING Maj R. ROWE

DATE	EVENT OR INFORMATION	ANNEX LETTER AND ENCLOSURE No.
13 Sep 69	LCT redeployed to the Northern edge of the Binh Ba rubber , West of Route 2. Otherwise a quiet day.	
14 SEP	LCT 1 returned to Nui Dat and responsibility for LCT with the D8s was passed to 17 Const Sqn. 2Tp commenced deployment with 5RAR on Op KINGSTON. Plant sp to open FSPB BEN was airlifted in.	
15 Sep	A CET from 2Tp was flown in to assist in road clearance of Route 2, North of Ngai GIS ^{Giao} . A backhoe was airlifted into FSPB TACOMA to assist in opening a FSPB for 3/43 ARVN Bn. Late in the afternoon plant and fd tp elms were despatched to repair a culvert along R23 prior to tp movs planned for 16 Sep. 3 trp(-) returned from Op NEPPABUNNA with 9RAR.	
16 Sep	A CET from 1 TP was deployed to AO STUART on a bunker dmln task with W Coy 6RAR. A D4 deployed to close down FSPB WANTON East of Xuyen Moc then travelled accross the Province to open a FSPB in in AO TRIDENT near Route 15, for 2/52 ARVN Bn. Elms of 2tp with TANGO Force in AO SABOT seeded a tunnel under R2 with CS crystals.	
17 Sep	The CET was reacted to the Binh Ba area with the 1 ATF Ready Reaction Force. Negative results. Otherwise quiet.	
18 Sep	The mini team wixix with TANGO Force in AO SABOT found and neutralised 2 anti - tank mines. The backhoe was crossloaded by Skycrane from TACOMA (3/43 ARVN Bn) to DOODY (2/52 ARVN Bn) to continue development oft the latter FSPB. The machineand op returned to base late in the day. CET (-) was flown into W Coy 6RAR to complete a bunker dmln task. In AO STUART the US LCT wasstill moving across the culvert const by 1 Tp. Plant tp continues road reconstruction on R.23 in the vicinity of AN Nhut.	
19 Sep	The backhoe and dozer were returned by airlift from FSPB BEN (5RAR) to Nui Dat. Aquiet day.	
20 sep	The OC (Maj R. Rowe) left on a visit to US Marines in 4 CTZ. The 2 IC (Capt A.R. Black) administered Command in his absence. A dozer was sent to Xuyen Moc to tidy up FSPB WELLS. A quiet day.	
21 Sep	Ops BURNHAM , KINGSTON , JAMAICA and CHIEFTAN continued . Road construction on R.23 ²³ continues. A quiet day.	
22 Sep	A CET from 2 Tp was despatched on a bunker demolition task with C Coy 5RAR. A splinter team was reacted with part of the 1ATF Ready R ^E action Force to the vicinity of Nui Dat 2.	

COMMANDERS DIARY NARRATIVE

UNIT 1FD SQN

OFFICER COMMANDING Maj R. Rowe

MONTH AND YEAR SEP 69

ANNEX LETTER AND
ENCLOSURE No.

DATE	EVENT OR INFORMATION
23 Sep 69	The 1 Tp Comd (Capt B. Reid) located a suitable rocky ford for the next river crossing of the US LCT over the Soui Le.
24 Sep 69	A CET from 2 Tp conducted a mine clearance task at Phouc Loi (Op JAMAICA). The 2 IC (Capt A. BLACK) Visited ^{1Tp} at NFD NDP CHEROKEE and FSPB DIGGERS REST to discuss activities in AO STUART. Otherwise a quiet day.
25 Sep 69	An APC collided with a unit grader working on R.23 . There were no casualties , however the grader was badly damaged.
26 Sep 69	A demonstration team from 2Tp assisted D Coy 6RAR in training the 3/52 ARVN Bn in mine warfare. 1Tp commenced work on improving the ford for the move of the US LCT over the Soui Le. A splinter team with A Coy 6RAR blew 14 bunkers in AO STUART.
27 Sep 69	The Ready Reaction CET was involved in a day long op in the area South of Phu My and West of the Nui Thai Vais . Negative results.
28 Sep 69	A splinter team from 1TP joined D Coy 6RAR for combined ops in the area. A splinter team with B Coy 5RAR destroyed 15 bunkers, being assisted in the task by the inf.
29 Sep 69	3 Tp commenced to deploy with 9RAR on Op JACK in AO STUART (modified) . Initially the Tp HQs, 3 mini teams (to join the Cav Tp) and a splinter team moved into NDP APACHE. 1Tp commenced their withdrawal from Op BURNHAM by extracting the Tp Comd, one CET and 3 mini teams from APACHE. Alive-firing sector defence exercise was held at Nui Dat base during the evening . Op KINGSTON and road construction on R.23 between An Nhut and Long Dien continued.
30 Sep 69	The 1Tp/ 3TP changeover in AO STUART continued . The recce offr (Capt J. Burrough) conducted minefield recce at Long Hoi, Hoi My, Lo Gom, and Dat Do to determine the method of clearing which would be required. Ops KINGSTON and CHIEFTAN continued . The OC (Maj R. ROWE) returned from I CTZ late in the day and resumed command. Road construction on R.23 continued.

1 Sep 69

OPERATION LOG

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Date/Time	From	To	EVENT	Action Taken
010745	OC	2ic	Morning VR of barrier minefield showed track used heavily last night at YS 497610 cutting NE/SW across the field.	Passed to ATF CP
010830	-	-	ARC mech tower arlifted from SERLE to WOMBAT	
010845	9D	OA	12 sets footprints through the minefield in an area south of HOI MY. Grid to be obtained later	Passed to ATF CP
011039	9B	OA	A.D riggers moved to XUYEN MOC. Capt HADLEY returning with TD15 to NUI DAT from SERLE.	Ack
011049	9D	OA	Flint has trouble with the rear axle and is returning to NUI DAT. Steele is in the field to this time 22 mine explosions - 3 duds. VC entered the mine field at GR 514547.	Information passed to ATF CP
011224	9D	OA	Working in area 509556 and have 8 expl 2 duds.	Ack
011320	9D	OA	Accident APC. Frame and rear axle off. Require welding on. Bluebell recommends backloading.	APC to return to NUI DAT
011325	7	OA	1 x 500 gal bladder received today US. Holed with blade of D8	Advised TFMA
011345	9D	9	Moved beyond 3 or 4 graves in area to end of area. 8 passes no mines. 1 mine in area of 3 graves. Approx 8 passes centre loc to do. Both TA returning for repairs.	Ack
011410	1	OA	Penepime JP4 and deiso has arrived. The case bulldozer is operable but may require attention.	Ack
011424	8	OA	Request clearance for demolitions 1430-1500 hrs.	Passed to ATF CP
	OA	8	Clearance for GRID 437657 given by 1 ATF CP 1430-1500.	
011457	8	OA	Request further clearance till 1515 hrs.	Passed to 1 ATF CP
011459	86	77	Clearance given till 1515.	
011543	8	OA	Behind schedule. Request ground clearance 1600 to 1630 for demol.	Granted by 1 ATF
011634	39	OA	Have 9 RAR decided if they have any need for the 40ft ARC mech tower.	Not required.
011634	1	OA	Backloading both items plant to your loc. 2 personnel from C/S 49 backload tonight.	

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Date/Time	From	To	EVENT	Action Taken
011635	8	OA	Demolition completed. Closedown.	
011730	39	OA	1 days work for repairs - require 1/966B, 4 dump trucks plus TD 15 in my loc now for air strip repairs.	Arranged for 966B and dumps to proceed to XUYEN MOC by road 2 Sep.
011825	7	OA	<u>SITREP OP BEAVER DAM VII</u> A. As at 011800H B. Area cleared 516609-524598-520597 C. No mines D. One D8 off road 1530-1800 hrs. All D8s servicable	Passed to ATF CP 1900 hrs
011840	9D	OA	<u>OP FRANGUMUS</u> A. As at 011800H B. Area cleared bounded 514546-515545 C. Exploded 32 duds 6.	Passed to ATF CP
011735	3 Tp	CP	LO from XUAN LOC (Ssgt PRITCHARD) returned after 1 month tour of duty.	

OPERATION LOG

2 Sep 69

To be maintained by Duty Officer/2IC

Date/Time	From	To	EVENT	Action Taken
020729	OA	All Stns	Change to freq 54-60	Sqn Comd net interfering badly with 6 RAR Comd net.
020906	19	OA	Both machines (Backhoe and Dozer) being backloaded today or tomorrow for repairs. 1 Tp has been deployed for 1½ days around crashed aircraft on demolition tasks.	Ack
020935	Playtime 21	OA	Plant Tp. All work ceased due to cordon and search in DAT DO.	1 ATF CP advised and req info on the cordon. CP not aware of cordon.
020946	Playtime 21	OA	Two 966B at the Horseshoe are not allowed to move as yet due to cordon ops in DAT DO.	Advised 21 if the 966B cannot link with convoy, tippers on that convoy are not to proceed past DAT DO.
021123	OA	(through 7) 12OA	Could the TA be released to escort 966B to XUYEN MOC. The 966B at your loc has to arrive at FSPB WELLS.	Affirmative
021125	9D	OA	APC STEELE is about to move into the field.	Ack
021147	7	OA	40 tonner with D8 No 7 has left for NUI DAT.	Ack
021240	X -	-	D8 arrived in NUI DAT for 100 hr service.	
021240	7	OA	966B and other vehs leaving LCT1 now.	Ack
021400	39	OA	Convoy has arrived.	Ack
021400	2ic	1 ATF CP	Confirmed new track through minefield seen DAT DO at YS497611. Track from E-W.	Information previously passed to G2 by OC
021715	9D	OA	Mine clearing axle damaged. Appear to have finished task at this stage.	OC to assess whether task completed on morning VR 3 Sep.
021520	1	OA	<u>TASK REPORT</u> Task on the GERONIMO (CHINOOK) crash commenced 300800 Aug 69. We assisted the US personnel recover the bodies and prepared the wreckage for liftout. Destroyed in situ 45xM26, 20xM79, 6xM72, 6x flares.	Ack

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Time	From	To	EVENT	Action Taken
021520	contd		<p>Day 2. Destroyed 16x M79, 13xM26. All other components, weapons mortars and M72 rockets were destroyed/detonated from the heat of the crash. On day 1 the task was supervised by Capt REID. Day 2 was supervised by the CET leader with a splinter team and assault pioneers with Shell Drake protection. The location of the crash was 300 to 400 M east of DIGGERS REST.</p> <p><u>SITUATION IN FSB</u> Condition is extremely wet. Too wet to use the Penaprime machine. We are to inform the AQ Cell to get PSP planking to build LP for possums and albatross. No timings of backloading of the case dozer and backhoe has been made yet. There are a large nr of installations and will send the reports by safe hand.</p>	Ack
021623	39	OA	Had to keep the plant and trucks in this loc due to their late arrival (1330). The district chief in this location requires some road works done.	OC will discuss this matter.
021845	7	OA	<p><u>SITREPS LCT</u> A. Report as at 021800H. B. Area cleared bounded by coords 516611 -523612- 524609-523608-522610-522609-517609-524603-524600-522603. C. 1 x D8 off road awaiting parts, all others servicable.</p>	Passed to 1 ATF CP
021850	9D	OA	<p><u>OP FRANGIMUS</u> A. Report as at 021800H B. Area cleared banded by coords 509555 and 507557. C. 39 mines detonated. 9 duds.</p>	Passed to 1 ATF CP
022108	OA	39	<p><u>RAIN REPORT</u> A. 50 points rainfall to 1500H. B. No rain from 1500H onwards.</p> <p>Road works seen AN NHUT have higher priority than roadworks in XUYEN MOC. Tippers and 966B to return early 3 Sep.</p>	<p>Passed to 1 ATF CP</p> <p>Ack</p>

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Time	From	To	Details	Action Taken
031120	1	OA	<p>The case dozer has just been airlifted from Diggers Rest</p> <p>A. OPDEM No 1</p> <p>B. C/S1</p> <p>D. Tubular steel tower complete</p> <p>D. 041300 H</p> <p>E. 041700 H</p> <p>F. Airlift</p> <p>G. Rest</p> <p>H. Freq 43 - 30</p> <p>I. Chairman 8</p> <p>J. Req use with shelldrake surviellence equipment. There are a lot of bunkers but the plant has stopped work ascit is extremely wet</p>	<p>Despatched and arrived at Diggers Rest 1030 hrs 4 Sep</p> <p>Advised 1 Tp that PAP will be sent to Diggers Rest for LP's</p>
031130	92	OA	Leaving NUI DAT for Horseshoe and mineclearing . (To collect Obsn tower)	Ack
031205	6A	OA	Tippers and 966B leaving XUYEN MOC for Horseshoe and NUI DAT.	Ack
031308	BLACK MAGIC 68	OA	<p>2½ ton conex in HOA LONG compound wants to be moved a couple of yards.</p> <p>The wrecker they have is U/S and req one from 1 FD SQN to use for 1 hr to do this job. They can supply an escort if necessary</p>	Wrecker despatched 1630

To be maintained by Duty Officer/2IC

Time	Date	To	Event	Action Taken
031521	6A	OA	Convoy from mine clearing team is entering NUI DAT	Ack
031925	7	OA	D8 still bogged. It may have to be left behind and 9 RAR will do protection	Ack
031930	7	OA	Trying to remove the D8 bogged, at 1745. and have just about finished the area	Ack
03200	7	OA	Another D8 bogged and unable to recover the 1 st D8. 9 RAR is moving in for protection while the other D8 are returning to LCT HQ	Ack
032013	1	OA	<u>SITREP</u> Work conducted - basic drainage, corduroy construction and improvements to defence in Diggers Rest. CBT is to be backloaded tomorrow. No intention to use Penaprime at this stage.	Advised 1Tp that the Penaprime trailer will be backloaded in 3 - 4 days if not required
032055	7	OA	D8 bogged at 527602. The two D8's are 60' apart	Ack
032140	1	OA	LCT (US) cleared area 287838 - 287833 - 283839 - 281835. As at 031800H they are operating in light to heavy jungle which is cratered. There is heavy rain making the surface slippery and boggy. Have located a crashed UH1D and 4 Vietn graves.	Marked on ops log
032150	7	OA	2 D8's in my loc - 2 are bogged 9 RAR are protecting. Recovery will be done tomorrow.	Ack

To be maintained by Duty Officer/210

031900

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OA

SITREPS

1. LCT

A. Sitrep as at 021800H

B. Area cleared to 1200H - bounded by 523609 - 525610 - 527608 - 526607

527606 - 525606. Machine not returned to base at 1900H. Sitrep for afternoon will be passed tomorrow

C. All D8's serviceable, one bogged 1900 being recovered

2. FRANGIMUS

Phase 2 completed 021800

3. Rainfall report

A. Report as at 031900H

B. Rain overnight 20 points to 0800

C. Rain commenced 1600H continuous to 1900H. Total points for 24 hr period
100

Passed to 1 ATF

040731

11TA

OA

Mine report

On the road 1300 meters North of NGAI GIAO there was a hole 9" x 12" x 6" deep with another hole alongside 10" x 2" x 3" deep. It was dug early yesterday

C/S1 advised

To be maintained by Duty Officer/215

Time/Date	Date	To	SPENT	Action Taken
			yesterday/ morning after the rain - they dont believe any mine was in the hole	
040858	7	OA	3 D8 bogged and 2 TA's. TA cant move near the D8 due to the boggy conditions	Ack
040904	1	OA	Discuss with the OC if the CET can extend for 24 hrs. As it is req to assist in laying PAP and erecting the tower. Capt REID will look at the problem of D7 bogging in crossing a creek which is South of Mohawk.	C/S1 advised
041030	1	OA	Tower airlifted in and now in position.	Ack
041050	OA	EX 7	Vehicle with stores leaving in 5 mins.	Ack
041053	9B	OA	Leaving DATXNO for DAT DO with stores for LCT.	
041157	OA	1	CET will be picked up at 1700	Ack
041226	7	OA	Leaving to go V/R original qty PAD not required. Original order 38 - 40	Advised TFMA to send 18 - 24
041302	19	OA	not required - received 10 so far, may use Penta - prime in 2 days. Require 8 more	sheets only; hold remainder in NUI DAT
041226	7	OA	2 D8 out of bog 1 to go	
041332	7	OA	Last D8 been retrieved.	Ack
041415	7	OA	D8's in night loc - require service vehicle, welder and cutter	Service vehicle welder oxy eqpt despatched

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Date/Time	From	To	Event	Action Taken
041445	1	OA	Returned VR. Area of river crossing at YS 289834 causing us LCT problems. They wish to cut across river with a culvert. 1 squad US engrs, 2 CET, 2 Albatross kits 2 pre - assembled armco culverts. 30' long 36" or 48" diameter. US prepared to loan 2 x D7 bull blades. Cross into new NDP about 5 days. Can equipment be preassembled.	Investigation into possibility of airlifting pre - assembled culvert underway.
041515	7	OA	Service vehicle plus oxy moved to my loc - no welder.	Arc welder being sent behind truck leaving approx 1600H
041520	1	OA	Proposed additional areas to be cut by LCT from 270840 - 266810 - 288834 273810. This area is outside the area at present scheduled to be cut. River at crossing point 30 metres wide, flowing at 10 ft in 13 secs. Approaches very muddy. LCT will cut NE of that crossing.	Requested 1 Tp to check stream dimensions as it appears to be too large for culverts.

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Date/Time	From	To	EVENT	Action Taken
050310	7	OA	<u>SITREP</u> LCT been standing too since 041145 hrs following 60 mm mortars landing 75 metres outside perimeter.	Ack
050725	Province Eng Office (BARIA 108)	CP	Request for mini team to check out crater on Route 15 at YS 273659	See next entry
050735	CP	1 ATF CP	Advised 1ATF of above request. 1 ATF informed us that Route Interdiction had also taken place last night as follows... a. YS 271661 Roadblock route 15 b. YS 252728 Road blown route 15 c. YS 347611 Road cut route 15 d. YS 510545 Road blocked route 23	1 ATF advised us that they will take any engr sp required 1 ATF to advise Maj LAKE of this
050813	7	OA	DS's wont be working for some time as the T and TA are involved for protection in DAT DO	Advised OC
050819	92	OA	DAT DO is completely cordoned and the tippers are held up at the Horseshoe so are unable to do the road task working between Horseshoe and AN NHUT	Requested info from 1 ATF CP on situation in DAT DO
050937	198 Wksps	CP	17 Const is to do MT clearance of culverts on route 15	Ack
051045	1	OA	The culverts required near Mohawk are 2 x 48"/ 30ft long Armco. Western approach is 20 degrees and treacherous , width river 10 - 14 ft and length	

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051264	OA	2 Tp	Standby mini team tasked for run to XUYEN MOC at 1215 hrs	2 TP advised
051208	OA	Playtime 21	Clearance given for road construction to commence	
051211	OA	39 (through 7)	Shell Drake personnel at wells require additional bunding for 3 x 155 mm guns. It is to be done today as TD 15 deploys forward tomorrow.	Ack
051250	OA	39	Albatross has left for D Coy 9 RAR with chainsaws and accessories to be lowered by rope through 75' canopy	
051335	92	OA	Leaving NUI DAT for LCT with tank transporters to pick up first lift of D8's	Ack
051430	OA	39 (through 7)	TD 15 and backhoe is to be RV at the eastern edge of XUYEN MOC at 061300 to move forward on a base development task. Expect the machines to be backloaded to NUI DAT pm the following day.	Ack
051446	7	ac OA	2 D8 left for NUI DAT. OC of Inf is worried about the backloading of the tower and by what means.	Tower is to be recovered on a tiltbed on second liftout of D8's.
051530	7	OA	Req components for the chainsaws this afternoon also req an additional CET to do the culvert while the present CET fall timber for the access road.	Chainsaws despatched 1620 CET despatched 060730

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051600	9C	OA	Picked up 1 x RPG 7 rocket and are looking for somewhere to blow it up	SSM on demolition tack at LONG DIEN Military Post
051730	SSM	2IC	<u>DMIN REPORT</u> 1 x RPG 7 rocket picked up from wire around the compound. Fuse had been dented but had not initiated. 2 x 3.5 RCL rounds blinds also picked up. All rockets wrer blown in a safe area at 051645 hrs.	Ack
051824	92	OA	Leaving LCT with final lift of D8's	Ack
051930	92	OA	In NUI DAT with D8's	Ack
052020	1	OA	Capt REID required an airtask for the ARMCO to be put back for an hour. The present CET will be backloaded through 6RAR on Sunday morning. Ther is no req for the 2nd CET if you are pressed for men. Need 4 chainswas for a couple of days, and fuel, as only 3 are operating. The extra chainsaws are to assist the US group who are working with them. NUI DAT is unable to supply the chainsaws.	I instructed Capt REID that the 2nd CET will go in as required on 6 SEP. Advised on very limited chainsaw availability and requirement to maintain a reserve here for priority Op tasks.

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060720	1 ATF CP	CP	Request for mini team, escort, vehicles to clear roadblock at YS275652	Explained to D/O NOT OUR res to task vehicles and security force. Request cancelled.
060733	OA	1	Albatross left, NUI DAT with CET for the culvert job.	
060950	1 ATF CP	CP	Referenece mine incident at YS513541 on 5 Sep 69. Clearing party found additional mine with the following details: mine M16E3, filled 4/57 LOT LOP 41-18.	Recorded in OP FRANGIMUS file
061055	CP	1 ATF CP	Queried bunker destroyed in DAT DO (Ref INSTUM No 248/69) near YS500606	Advised that bunkers 2, 3, 4 destroyed. Advised OC
061145	19 (through 1)	OA	Culvert has arrived but it isn't in the creek and will be pushing it in short.	Ack
061309	19 (through 1)	OA	<u>SITREP</u> Will receive LCT traffic at the prearranged time. The CET will remain for maint purposes. Progress has been good due to dry conditions. The corduory surface is being layed. CET will be air tasked through 6RAR. The new US NDP is COMANCHE but it's position isn't confirmed.	Ack
061436	OA	39 (through 29)	The returns of items of plant from NUI ADT is now i day later than expected. The OC will visit your loc tomorrow wtih an airfield inspection team.	Ack
061530	19	OA	Crossing will be opened for limited traffic tonifht. Capt REID will asses the situation. They have been cutting timber all day. Anticipate heay corduory road construction task if it rains tonight.	Ack
061535	11 TA	OA	A. 1 FD SQN. B. 061430. C. YS462818. D. Pressure electric. E. US claymore LOP 2-63 (LOT No 7. F. N/A. G. On side of road facing north. H. Bamboo switch and battery. I. 8'-0" J. No casualties. 100 meters south of grid 462818. The road was keyholed 1ft x 1ft and 6ft in the road. This was clear two days ago. Every 50 meters there were cut bushes on the side of the road.	Passed to 1 ATF CP(already received) Advised that in this area of Route 2 pers should travel closed down in APC's or tanks.

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061810	19 (through 1)	OA	<u>SITREP</u> Due to wet conditions only 3 (US) machines have crossed the culvert. The approaches on either side of the culvert and the culvert itself are holding well. The track from MOHAWK is practically impassable.	
061900	ELEVATE	EBONY CP	<u>SITREP</u> Report as at 1800 hrs. All LCT elements located 1 ATF base for maint and repairs. <u>RAINFALL REPORT</u> Report as at 061900 hrs. No rain overnight. Rain commenced 1800 hrs. 112 pts to 1900 hrs. No further activities; a very quiet evening.	Passed to 1 ATF Duty Officer,
061920	92	OA	The tilt bed with the multi wheeled roller is back from XUYEN MOC.	
061945	1	1, 19, 39	<u>SITREP</u> 1. One CET from 1 Tp was deployed to YS AGFMLKRV to assist in constructing a culvert to allow the LCT to cross a river. Two 48" dia, 30' -0" ARMCO culverts were airlifted into position with 1 Tp by 1145 hrs. 2. Late report. 3 of the bunkers constructed by this unit at KALGOORLIE (DAT DO) were destroyed by the VC during the night of 4/5 Sep 69. 3. Elements of 1 Tp with 11TA discovered a booby trap at YS462818 consisting of a US claymore to the side of the road. The activating device was a pressure-switch buried in the road.	Only c/s 1 could be reached

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070755	EBONY CP	ELEVATE CP	Large hole in road on Route 15 at GR 252703. Discovered by 161 RECCE flight at dawn. Road impassable. Sector has been advised and VN Engineers to repair	Ack
071020	19	OA	<u>SITREP</u> Ground extremely wet. Days work lying corduroy surface. Requested US asst. ICT crossing today or tomorrow. Wheeled vehivles may be airlifted, tomorrow. 2 wet spots west of river.	Ack
071400	1	OA	<u>SITREP</u> Light corduroy surface on culvert- bull bladec dozers moving. Heavy corduroy 15 meters from culvert. NDP move tomorrow. US consulted. 1 ATF RECONsidering crossing due to machine conditions. Capt REID anticipating some vehicles crossing today. Culvert in position 3-4 days after complete crossing. Then it is expected the CET from this location will destroy. Pentaprime applied today at DIGGERS REST. 1 dozer moving heavy timber on approach to culvert withid 75 meters.	Ack
071750	19	OA	The ground is extremely wet. 40ft of corduory type using 18" → 24" logs with assistance from a US bull blade machine. 45ft of cordoury construction was laid by hand over the top crossing place on the Eastern bank of BLUE LINE. The corduory will have to continue for one more day. The culvert is holding well and the water flow is not breaking the back fill. The cordoury is to be extended another 30-40ft to enable MOHAWK c/s to pass. This will make two more days work. 50 Engr Coy (US) (ICT) intends to cross 5 Rome ploughs tomorrow.	
071900	ELEVATE	EBONY CP	<u>SITREPS</u> A. ICT → report as at 071800hrs & ICT in base for maint and repairs. re@ploys AM 08 Sep B. RAINFALL a. overnight from 1900hrs 78 pts b. no rain from 0800 tp 1900hrs total 78 pts	Passed to ADuty OFFR 1 ATF CP
072230	D/O		Lights out no problems	
072355	D/O		Trip flare detonated outside minefield.	Piquet told to maintain vig.. No further action.

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080630			Duty Offr inspected picquet posts. W1, W2, Pit 6, 21 Sp Tp. Condition fair. Accompanied by Duty Sgt.	Picquets ordered to clean up.
080753	1 ATF CP	CP	Route Report. Routes 2 & 15 clear	
080840	OA	1	OC leaving in possum to visit c/s 19 at culvert site YS 289835.	Ack.
080845	1 ATF CP	CP	ARVN Cds security elms for LCT deployment now not available. B Sqn 3 Cav Regt will provide sect PM on return from escort task to Diggers Rest.	2 Tp tasked to provide 2 x MG Gps. Wksp tasked to provide fitters APC & crew Tpt tasked to provide APC (FLINT) and dvr. LCT first left at 0915 hrs.
080855	19	1	6 ICT (US) machines have crossed the culvert. A better assessment can be made of the damage so they are going to continue to corduroy the east bank wh ere the damage spot is.	
081117	7	OA	The area between the two creeks on the western side of Route 2 bypass is completed (YS 420663 - 420668)	Marked on map 1 ATF advised of logstat.
081415	29	OA	The work surface on the airstrip is completed and no trees have to be lopped.	Ack.
081416	OA	8	Air clearance has been granted at YS 437657 for demolition demonstrations from 1514 to 1600 hrs	Obtained from 1 ATF CP.
081528	8	OA	Demolitions are completed.	Advised DO 1 ATF.
081640	1	OA	SITREP. Have laid 50 ft of corduroy on the western side of the crossing and is holding well. US LCT will cross tomorrow. Capt Reid will assist and he doesn't know the timings of the deployment from NDP MOKAWK.	Ack.

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081650	11TA	OA	<p>Mine Incident Report No 1.</p> <p>A. 1 Fd Sqn</p> <p>B. 8 Sep.</p> <p>C. YS 462819</p> <p>D. Pressure - Electric</p> <p>E. Unrefined granular Chicom TNT in a sandbag, 20 - 30 lbs.</p> <p>F. Blocked.</p> <p>G. Approx minus 2"</p> <p>H. Not Known</p> <p>I. Switch 1 ft from TNT charge.</p> <p>J. Results Nil. Mine located by visual obs. Rain had washed mud away and switch exposed. The previous APC track pattern in the clay had not been disturbed. The APC was halted a few feet from the mine by the MT.</p>	
	11 TA	OA	<p>Mine Incident Report No 2.</p> <p>A. 1 Fd Sqn RAE</p> <p>B. 8 Sept.</p> <p>C. YS 462819 20 yds from previous mine.</p> <p>D. Pressure - Electric.</p> <p>E. 1/2 lbs blocks of Chicom TNT. 20 - 30 lbs.</p> <p>F. Blocked.</p> <p>G. Approx Minus 2"</p> <p>H. Not known.</p> <p>I. Switch 1 Ft from charge.</p> <p>J. Nil, Mine det by MT on foot after discovering previous mine. The APC track pattern in the clay had not been disturbed. The mine was found after part of the wire to the switch was exposed in the mud.</p> <p>A bunker system was found on the left hand side of the road at GR 461832. It was 6'x3'x6' deep. From this a tunnel ran under the road with 4 Ft OHC. Nothing was found.</p> <p>A one man bunker system was found at 4275. It was checked out and the only discover was a bamboo mine marker. Being 6"x6" and crossed with a piece of twine encircling them. This was pointing in a souther direction.</p>	

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081840	7	OA	<p>Sitrep.</p> <p>A. Area cleared 419662 - 421662 - 420671 - 418670 - 418672. 421672 - 421674 - 418673 - 419676 - 416677 - 422684 - 420686.</p> <p>B. N/A</p> <p>C. All D8's serviceable.</p>	
081957	19	OA	<p>Sitrep. Conditions same as before. The NDP intends to move accross the blue line for the NDP tomorrow. This mornings activity was cutting timber. The extraction will be late this afternoon or tomorrow morning. Everyone will be extracted except Capt Reid and TA.</p>	
082130	1	OA	<p><u>Air Task Request</u></p> <p>A. 17 PAX 1000 lbs stores.</p> <p>B. Albatross 3 sorties.</p> <p>C. Commence.</p> <p>D. Nui Dat</p> <p>E. Time 091600.</p> <p>F. Time Released 091700.</p> <p>F. Direct.</p> <p>G. I c/s 3 57-40</p> <p>H. Holdfast extraction from culvert site.</p>	<p>Requested backload by TFMA tasking (Chinook). c/s 1 advised of likely delay.</p>
081919	OA	1,39	<p>Sitrep</p> <p>1. LCT redeployed area 420663 (ANOZYSBW) to 423685 (PLUNMXRH) clearing on the western side of the road for 100m. 3 D8's deployed today, 2 more expected tomorrow.</p> <p>2. 2 CET's from CS 1 continued to lay corduroy road on approaches to culvert at 289835. Part of LCT crossed river and commenced prep of new NDP. It is expected remainder cross tomorrow.</p> <p>3. Vicinity YS 462819 (JUOUFYDM) a MT from CS 1 discovered 2 Atk mines.</p> <p>4. At 461834 (NSDSPWAR) bunker LHS road 6x3x6 and actually under red ball.</p>	
081900	OA	TF CP	<p>RAINFALL Up to 080800 25 pt s From 0800 - 1900 10 pts 35 pts</p>	
081930	CP	17 Const Sqn Cp	<p>D8's to be deployed 090945 hrs - RV 17 Const Sqn Wksp</p>	<p>17 Const advised. 1 ATF, TFMA Plant advised</p>

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090750	7	OA	LOCSTAT 424686	Passed to 1 ATF CP.
090857	OA	19	Capt Reid is to assume the posn of LO between the US LCT and (through c/s 1) 6 RAR. He is to advise CO 6 RAR on Engr aspects of the LCT and its employment.	
090915	OA	39 (Through 2)	Ref the trees to be lopped at the airfield site. There are 3 on the NW and 1 on SE approaches. These are quite close to the airfield. If Capt Knight is unable to lop them so the assault pioneer will do the task.	Capt Knight is checking with DC and will advise.
091000	OA	7	Locstat of LCT and TA 21 - 426688	Passed to 1 ATF CP.
091115	1	OA	Request info on deployment of B Coy 6 RAR from the hor seshoe.	c/s 92 will query with OC B Coy during the lunch run to horseshoe.
091155	Playtime 21	OA	Macdonald roller is over the edge of the road at the west of Dat Do and Req the wrecker to recov er.	Wrecker tasked from Wksp.
091413	7	OA	Locstat LCT and TA21, YS 428691	Advised 1 ATF CP
091426	92	OA	Tpt NCO returned from horseshoe. OC B Coy not yet aware of deployment details for his Coy to move, will advise us ASP.	Ack.
091430	1 ATF	CP	Requir e dozer to close down FSPB WELLS. Convoy leaving Pearly Gates 1500. Sudden redeployment of 9 RAR takeing place. One Coy to move to Long Tan (YS 4966) tonight. Remainder to move by road tomorrow to vicinity FSPB LONGREACH (YS 5276)	Plant Tp tasked for op. Tpt tasked for tiltbed 8 to drive to Dat Do to warn Plant Tp to have D4 or TD15 standing by to load. 'SC' Sgt (Eb 169) advised of details of stop in Dat Do to pick up dœer.
091437	ESCORT CP	CP	Require mini team for escort task to Xuyen Moc	2 Tp standby team tasked
091453	92B	CP	Tiltbed left Sqn area for Pearly Gates.	
091510	92B	CP	Tiltbed at Pearly Gates ready to go	

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091535	92	OA	At Dat Do. TD15 to go to Xuyen Moc	Ack. Checked with OC. D4 to go instead from Dat Do.
091540	92B	CP	Convoy finally left Pearly Gates for Xuyen Moc	Ack c/s 92 advised and advised to move to D4 to Xuyen Moc, TD15 to return to Nui Dat tomorrow for redeployment to FSPB LONGREACH.

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091614	OA	92	Inform plant op that onthe way back from BSBB WELLS .Tasl the D4 is to be deposited at HORSESHOE.	ACK
091618	92	OA	PUSH Frmo DAT DO leaving for FSB WELLS	ACK
091647	7	OA	LOCSTAT on LCT and TA 21 -YS 435697	Passed to 1 ATF CP
091830	7	OA	SITREP	
			LCT A. area cleared 422684-420686 -435699-435697-438696 B. N/A C. All D8s servicable.	Passed to 1ATF CP
091900			RAINFA LL REPORT. To 0800 hrs 14 PTS 1430-1730 (storm) 55PTS TOTAL 69 PTS	Passed to 1 ATF CP
091930	OA	1 29	LCT SITREP passed for information	
100725	7	OA	LOCSTAT OF LCT AND TA 23YS 434694	Passed to 1 ATF C P
100744	19	1	Yeam with W Coy is to blow 600lb bomb today. Possible requirement for CET on bunker demolition task.	CET (5Men) placed on standby from 1 Tp/
100951	92	OA	In DAT DO with the wrecke r. The roller is on the tiltbed and is being searched. There is a small problem getting outside . the ARVn compound as the sign is too low.	Instr 92 to remove sign we will replace today 1 Tp tasked for 1300 hrs.
100953	7	OA	Locstat of LCT and TA23 438697	Passed to 1ATF CP
101012	92	OA	Unable to arrive back in NUI DAT for a task for the tiltbed.	TPT advised.20 toner instead tasked.
101030	EBONY CP	CP	Bunker no 28 at DAT DO demolished last night passed for info.	OC advised.
101136	1	OA	<u>SAPDEM</u> A. C/S 1 at diggers rest. B 1 CET C.Anticipate movement on foot to the bunker system 274890 and other, bunker systems.	

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10 Sep			D. 1 bunker system contains 30 bunkers in a straight line 400M x 50M 40'x8'x6' with 2.3 FT OHC. E. Med tree cover diam 18" F. No LZ available. G. Time at DIGGERS REST 110800 or up to 4 hrs later. H. 54-60 I. C/S 1 J. 1 Albatross kit mine detector 500 ft safety fuse quantity of 3 in nails and hammer.	Air task request placed at maint conference leaving approx 0800 hrs from Pelican. 1 Tp advised of requirement. 1 ATF CP notified.
1246	7	OA	LOCSTAT YS 442706	
1410	7	OA	Locstat unchanged YS 442706 Route 2 bypass route 2	
1449	7	OA	Cut from junction to turn off to SOUI NGHE	
1900	OA	EBONY CP	SITREP LCT . A. As at 101800 hrs Sep 69 B. Area cleared bounded by co-ords 428691-430690-435697-435695 438696- 437694- 436698-442712- 444711-445710- 443702-441703 C. NIL D. All D8s servicable.	1 ATF CP notified.
1930	CP	2TP 3 TP	RAIN REPORT. 178 pts for 24 hours break up not known.	
1930	CP	2 TP 3 TP	Allocations of mini teams for 11 SEP/ A. Serial 6 2 TP B. Serial 7 2 TP C. Serial 8 3 Tp. D Serial 9 2 TP	
1930	OA	2	4 people to DAT DO 0700 for instr of ARVN	2 Tp warned.
2030	OA	2		1 Tp advised.
2200	6 RAR	ELEVATE CP	Salpen through 6RAR for explosive.	
0645	OA	62	Request 440 cancel new request 401 forward d.	
0710	92	OA	Tp Sgt leaving DAT DO with 2xMTs for ARVN training including Spr MINH.	
0725	1	OA	Approx time CETV Q- $\frac{1}{2}$	
0727	7	OA	Locstat LCT YS 440700	1 ATF CP informed .../0823

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0823			Albatross moves CET to C/s 1 for bunker demolition	
0830			Explosive leave Eagle farm for C/S 1	
0900	7	OA	Locstat LCT YS 446 714	Notified +1 ATF CP
0930	9B	OA	Grader commences work route 2 bypass.	
1025	1	CA	Request air task to I C/S ^{CET} to DIGGERS REST -Confirmed 1447	
1042	7	OA	Locstat LCT no change YS 446714	1 ATF CP NOTIFIED
1100	9B	OA	Road too boggy to work. Instructed to return to NUI DAT	
1243	7	OA	Protection for LCT leaving this loc.	Reacted to route 15 Aust Cav to replace.
1320	7	OA	Protection left 30min ago. More protection on way.	
1400	7	OA	Locstat LCT no change.	Passed to 1 ATF CP
1425	1	OA	Cancel air tasking to backload CET more bunkers found will be required overnight.	OC informed.
145 1450	7	OA	Locstat YS 447 712	Passed to 1 ATF CP
1847	7	OA	SITREP LCT.	
			A. As at 1800h B. Area cleared 444711-442712- 445721- 447721-441703-443703- 439696- 438696/	
			C. N/A D. All D8s stopped 1 hr danger of protection.	
1847	ELEVATE	EBONY	RAIN REPORT. Overnight to 0800 no rain . 1200 1xstorm	
	1 ATF COMD NET		1900 total rainfall = 75 points.	Actioned .
1915	77	NET	Change freq to tall story.	
2017	1	OA	SITREP	
			A/ LCT report as at 111800 H B. Area cleared 292832-291831-298832- 297830- C. Wet and boggy ground conditions. D Nil	
			E. 10 F. NIL G. N/A H. Light to heavy jungle-dense undergrowth. I. Nil J. Area 7. K 80 today .../ REPORT	

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120001	77	Net	Change freq to Black Magic	Actioned
120647	7	OA	Loc Stat YS446714,	Passed 1 ATF CP
120735	EBONY CP	1 FD SQN	Route report 2 & 15 clear	Ack
120850	7	OA	Loc Stat YS447721	Passed to 1 ATF CP
121035	OA	1	Member 342990.0. Return ASP - welfare matter urgent	Arranged by 1 Tp
121301	1	OA	C/S 19 at YS274890. I c/s 62 to supervise bunker demolition. CET to be cross loaded from I c/s 1 to I c/s 3 at 1530. Const corduory surface for hill climber LZ at COMMANCHE.	Ack
121301	1	OA	OPDEM 6/69. Require 1 Albatross kit with 28" blade, 30G petrol, 15G oil by 13 Sep 0800 to 1200 hrs to COMMANCHE by Albatross to assist const corduory surface LZ at COMMANCHE.	Passed to 1 Tp for action
121304	7	OA	Loc Stat unchanged YS447721	Passed to 1 ATF CP
121534	9	7	Once you have completed the area to the fruit trees and market garden to work back this way to areas previously left and within 200 yds of the road.	Ack by c/s 7 who is now in the region of the fruit trees.
121815	CP	TFMA	Request tasking for 2 x tank Tp to move LCT North to BINH BA vicinity YS457758 to commence work along North edge of rubber.	Transporters to RV with LCT North gate 0630 hrs.
121830	CP	1 ATF CP	<u>LCT SITREP</u> A. Report as at 121800 hrs Sep 69 B. Area cleared bounded by YS444711-446710-450724-448724-446722-447722-446718 445718 C. 3 x D8's servicable	Passed to D/O 1 ATF
121900	19	OA	<u>SITREP.</u> CET has completed its task with A Coy 6RAR where 8 bunkers were blown. They are to be cross loaded to COMANCHE and are starting work tomorrow morning. Capt REID accom. the Aslt Pnrs where 6 new bunkers were destroyed.	Ack

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			Bunkers were discovered in a large complex with D Coy where there was a contact with VC a few days ago nearby.	
122045	ESCORT CP	CP	Dust off 5715900 Spr D.J. MARANICH 1 Tp. A litter case from an unknown insect bite on the face. It took place at YS297838. Time of incident 122030.	DAAG notified and a NOTICAS is not necessary at this stage.
122126	19	OA	<u>SITREP</u> The area cleared 290833-296830-297833. The progress is slow due to wet and boggy conditions since it rained for 4 hrs. Priority replacement required for MARANICH, routine for OOST, both to COMANCHE.	Replacements tasked from 1 Tp. Fly into COMANCHE approx 0830 hrs 13Sep
121923	CP	1 ATF CP	Total rainfall at 1900 for preceeding 24hrs 120 points.	Passed to 1 ATF D/O
130709	EBONY CP	1 FD SQN	Routes 2 & 15 clear. All route security classifications unchanged.	
130720	92	OA	Leaving your loc on 1st part convoy to BINH BA with D8's for LCT.	
130758	7	OA	Loc Stat YS457758	Passed to 1 ATF CP
130856	92	OA	Leaving your loc on 2nd part move to BINH BA	
130920	7	OA	Loc Stat YS451762	Passed to 1 ATF CP
131000	1V	1	Require 2 x 12ft slings for log lifting with dozers	Tpt notified and are arranging.
131052	7	OA	Loc Stat YS449763	Passed to 1 ATF CP
131405	1 ATF CP	CP	Plant requires 15/16 Sep. 3/43 ARVN. Bn deploying to AO SABOT. 1 backhoe required	G3 checking Pri 3/43 or 2/52 ARVN. G3(Ops) will advise on pri.
131635	7	OA	<u>LCT SITREP</u> A. Area cleared 454760-455761-454763-443766-443763. B. N/A C. D8's started work 0845. D8 No 547 off road from 1500hrs. All D8's servicable.	CP 1 ATF notified

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131307	1	OA	Reference slings c/s 9 still required for LZ <u>OPDEM</u> Require 124 sheets PAP, by Albatross to COMANCHE, earliest time 140900 latest 141200. Freq desig 17 x-57-40, for construction Heli pad & CP by LCT.	Processed. Air despatched by TFMA. AM 14Sep
131650	7	OA	<u>LCT SITREP.</u> Area cleared 454760-455761-454763-445766-445764	Passed to 1 ATF CP
131900	-	-	Rain report. 121900 - 130800 7 pts 130800 - 131900 4 pts Total for 24 hrs ending 131900 11 pts	Passed to 1 ATF CP
131900	1	OA	<u>SITREP</u> A. Area cleared for Chinook 15ft x 15ft NDP COMANCHE B. Penneprime work area 25ft x 25ft first coat planned activities for 14 Sep C. Move heavy timbers on to pad D. Begin Inf CP approx midday	
131900	19	OA	60 acres cleared 13th. Any move involves possibly 2 crossings equal to one previously built. As at 131800hrs, 13 Rome ploughs u/s.	

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			latest 141200 FREQ DESIG 17x-57-40 for construction heli pad & CP BY LCT.	Air despatch by TFMA AM 14 SEP
136050 H	7	OA	LCT SITREP	Padded to 1 ATF CP
13900 H	-	-	Area cleared 454760 455761 454763 445766 445764 RAINFALL	
131900	1	OA	121900 ----- 130800 7pts 130800 ----- 131900H 4pts Total for two hours ending 139900H 11pts. SITREP	Passed to 1 ATF CP
131900	19	OA	A. Area cleared for chinock 15'x25' NPD COMMANCHE. B. Penprime work area 25'x25' first coat planned for 14 Sep A. Move heave timbers on to pad B. begin inf CP approx midday. 60 acres cleared 13th. Any move involves possibly 2 crossings equal to one previously as at 131800H 13 rome ploughs US.	Passed 1 ATF CP
140825	7	OA	LOCSTAT LCT and TA 2 YS 443764.	
140200	1	OA	TP comd returning 1200 hrs to discuss future intentions of lct with OC.	
141000	CP	OC ADMIN	Request comferment of requiemant for dozer to close down FSB Wilton, Need dozer AM 15 SEP.	Not required. Advised by CAPT KNIGHT 141655 Sep 69 from FSB wilton.
141115	1 ATF CP	9 RAR CP 2IC	Close down 2/52 base at Wanton 16 Sep 69 1 Dozer. Backhoe 3.43 ARVn 15 Sep Skycrane TFMA	
1250	7	OA	LOCSTAT YS 436765	Passed 1 ATF cp
131500	7	OA	LOCSTAT YS 432765	Passed 1 ATF CP
141510	OA	7	LCT to move back this loc tonight. 1st tpts ready to move within 1 hour.	Ack
141610	92	OA	Leaving Loc for C/S 7 loc with 40 tns.	
141650	92	OA	Leaving C/S 57 loc with first D 8	
141655	39	OA	No TD +15 req to close down FSB WILTON	Passed 1 ATF CP
141842	7	OA	SITREP LCT A. Area cleared 444764 444762 433767 433766 432766 431766 B. N/A C. All D8s servicable..	

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141920	92	OA	Arrive your loc 15/30 mins with 4 D8's, other 2 with c/s 7 on route your loc.	Ack
141950	7	OA	Back your loc - closedown	
150951	B Son 3 Cav CP	CP	Require additional Mini team for escort to FSPB WILTON., leaving 1100hrs. 2 Tp tasked (standby MT). To be at Sqn RV 1045 hrs. Additional team on standby.	
150942	G2 OPS 1 ATF	2IC	Require CET (-) to assist mini team with Tango force to clear Route 2 North of NGAI GIAO to land at DUC THANH. Air task from WOMBAT 1030hrs. *Albatross left WOMBAT for DUC THANH with CET (-) from 2 Tp	2 Tp tasked to provide 5 pers. Tpt tasked for PZ con.
1026	92A	OA	*	
151030	86	77	Inform Albatross 01 5 pers to be dropped at LZ. Walk 100yds to mil post to n11	Actioned
151050	29	OA	Require 2 Mini teams from 2 Tp to replace 2 mini teams from 3 Tp to this loc ASP. Still to receive stores - somewhere in transit.	2 Mini teams from 2 Tp placed on standby. Tasked to FSPB BEN. Left WOMBAT 1245 hrs.
151100	1	OA	Member 1734549C routine medevac with severe tines to crutch. Require replac.	1 Tp advised
151247	92B	OA	Albatross leaving this loc now with 2 x Mini teams and RAEME fitter to FSPB BEN	
151315	DCRE	OC	Request for hasty culvert repair at YS552615 today, prior to convoys using Route 23 tomorrow. Requirement not clear.	Tasked 4 tippers, D4 from R 23 roadworks.. Truckload heavy timber, CET from 3 Tp from ND. RV with Cav sect at DAT DO East checkpoint
151325	1	OA	Priority maintdem No 16/69 for c/s 19 - chainsaws.	
151407	OA	49	Within 60 mins have 4 trucks ready to move from HORSESHOE, also 20 tonner with D4 to RV East checkpoint DAT DO at a time to be advised.	Ack
151455	49	OA	1 tipper with U/S clutch. Require recovery vehicle at HORSESHOE.	Wksp notified. Wrecker tasked.
151515	CP	ESCORT CP	What time will Cav sect released from Op con of 2/52 ARVN be at EAST check point (DAT DO)	Approx 1600 hrs

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151540	92	OA	Wrecker broken down near 8 Fd ambulance.	Wksp notified. RAEME effect recovery-other vehicles to proceed on
151615	49	OA	TA escort not arrived RV point	Checked with escort CP Cav sect not fully briefed and had left returning ASP
151625	OA	49	TA to meet convoy along Route 23-commence to move ASP-TA element will remain <i>ESCORT BACK.</i>	
151656	6B	OA	Proceeding back to your loc with broken down tipper.	
151737	6B	OA	Left DAT DO on route your loc.	
151717	1	OA	SITREP c/s 1. At YS316844 an ammunition bunker located.	
			SITREP c/s 19. LCT work in area 8 today. Unable to visit no air transport. Recce tomorrow to YS 302862-322866-306853. C/S 19 backloading 4 chainsaws tomorrow.	
151930	1	OA	<u>SAPDEM</u> 1 x CET consisting of 5 Holdfast members. Bunker demolition with I c/s 5 at 298876. Bunker system contained 34 full bunkers centre bunkers used and in good condition. LZ at 300877. Freq desig (39C)73-45, c/s 5-Require 560 lbs explosives and accessories. CET will return to NUI DAT by resupply	Tpt to pick up explosives from EAGLE FARM at 160800hrs. 1 Tp tasked for CET (-)

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160723	EBONY CP	1 FD SQN CP	Roads blocks on Route 15 at 233784 and 342612 (grass and rubbish). Routes 2 & 23 clear.	Ack
160834	29	OA	LOC STATS. I c/s 1, 562764. I c/s 2, 562786. I c/s 3, 569690. I c/s 4 to DAT DO today. OA c/s 6-c/s 62. c/s E2-c/s TA1 (minus) c/s 29 -c/s TA21 at 602764 (FSPB BEN).	
160935	1	OA	Ref SAPDEM- LZ insecure- require delay 15-20mins until security obtained-foxhound engaged in contact.	Advised c/s 1 will not delay air task until later confirmation received. Advised air cell of the activity and of possible delay(to be confirmed).
160950	1	OA	Contact completed - no delay required.	
161010	OA	1	Sortie 1 left 2mins ago with pax on board.	Ack
161055	OA	1	Second left WOMBAT with explosives and accessories for W Coy 6RAR.	Also 2 batteries for Case Backhoe at FSPB TACOMA to be cross loaded.
161206	1	OA	Member from W Coy 6RAR MEDEVAC to WOMBAT. Infantry member.	Tpt tasked for LZ control.
161252	1	OA	Member being MEDEVAC from CET at COMANCHE with gashed leg from chainsaw cut. Member 2721195 S. Replacement required.	Not a notifiable casualty. 1 Tp advised. Replacement sent 17 Sep.
161520	EXPLORER CP	CP	Engrs with TANGO force require 3 bags CS crystals, 101b TNT, 50ft det cord to seed and seal bunker/tunnel under Route 2 at YS461832.	2 Tp tasked to provide. B Sqn 1 Armd Regt to take forward 0800 17 Sep by road.
161540	OA	29	Requirements for plant backload from FSPB BEN.	Require all day 17 Sep. Tent backload 18 Sep. Will advise by 1315 hrs 17 Sep

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161635	1 ATF	OA	Scramble Ready Reaction CET to C Coy 9RAR ASP. Suspected enemy Bn at YS375590	2 Tp informed. 92 to pro Tpt.
161700	92	OA	Ready Reaction team at C Coy 9RAR's loc.	
161740	1 ATF	OA	Ready Reaction team to stand down.	2IC informed. Tpt arranged.
171020	1	OA	<u>SAPDEM</u> A. C/S 1 B. 1 x CET minus C. Bunker demolition with 1 c/s 5 D. Part of system demolished previously E. Medium tree cover F. LZ at YS283884 G. Time required 181500hrs Sep 69 H. Freq designator 41V (43.30MHZ) I. C/S5 J. CET to stay overnight. No stores required.	Air task request 405. 1 Tp informed of requirement
171220	BLACK MAGIC (LO 2/52 ARVN)	OA	Plant Op and dozer completed work. Can return.	Tilt bed arranged to pick up today.
171655	ESCORT	CP	Mini teams required 18 Sep at 0600hrs and 0800hrs.	2 Tp tasked
171715	Fwd Del Tp	CP	Mini team - 0715 RV morning job to BARIA herd.	1 Tp tasked
171752	1 ATF CP	CP	Ready Reaction team reacted to BINH BA area.	2 Tp
171850	ESCORT CP	CP	Mini team with TA86 (LCT) remaining overnight at DUC THANH Post.	Ack
171942	ESCORT CP	CP	Mini team required at 0915 tomorrow.	2 Tp tasked
171945	CP	1 ATF CP	Rain Report. Overnight to 0800hrs, 18pts. 0800-1900hrs, 1 pt. Total 19pts	
172029	1 ATF CP	CP	Ready Reaction team will be searching grid square 4276 before being released.	Ack

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180825	OA	1	CET (-) to I c/s 5. Leaving this loc 181530	
180745	CP	1 ATF CP	Pass message on 1 ATF Camel net to 3/43 ARVN Bn at TACOMA that plant Op is to be cross loaded to 2/52 ARVN FSPB with backhoe.	Actioned by 1 ATF
180849	29	OA	Sky crane has left without backhoe. Backhoe would not start due to flat batteries. Could not delay sky crane.	Ack. Sky crane re-tasked for 19 Sep
181038	11 TA	OA	<p><u>MINE INCIDENT REPORT No 1</u></p> <p>A. 1 FD SQN</p> <p>B. 181000 hrs Sep</p> <p>C. YS462819</p> <p>D. Pressure electrical</p> <p>E. Crude CHICOM TNT (rock-like) 40 to 50lbs</p> <p>F. TNT in a sack</p> <p>G. Not known</p> <p>H. Switch directly above charge</p> <p>I. N/A</p> <p>J. Nil casualties or damage. Mine 18" from edge of road. Had been run over morning 17 Sep by tanks, but had not detonated. Mine found by depression in road.</p> <p><u>MINE INCIDENT REPORT No2</u></p> <p>A. 1 FD SQN</p> <p>B. 181010 hrs Sep 69</p> <p>C. YS462818</p> <p>D. Pressure electrical</p> <p>E. 20 lb TNT - in 1/2lb CHICOM blocks</p> <p>F. Blocked</p> <p>G. Not known</p> <p>H. Switch directly above charge</p> <p>I. N/A</p> <p>J. Nil casualties or damage. Mine apparently laid last night. Mine 4ft off road. Mine found by prodding in a puddle of water.</p> <p>SITREP. Small tunnel under Route 2 seeded with CS crystals-satisfactory results.</p>	Ack. 1 & 2 Tp informed.

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181128	BLACK MAGIC 45	OA	Backhoe at DOODY completed task.	1 ATF advised. Escort arranged. Tiltbed despatched
181552	OA	1, 92B	Sortie with CET (-) for W Coy 6RAR delayed	
181640	OA	29	Lift out of case dozer cancelled.	Re-tasked for 19 Sep
181805	OA	1	Albatross sortie left WOMBAT for W Coy 6RAR with CET (-)	
181818	OA	1, 29	<u>SITREP</u> A. CET (-) from c/s 1 deployed to I c/s 5 loc at YS282882 to complete bunker demolition. B. The Ready Reaction CET from c/s 2 returned to base after overnight deployment in vicinity of BINH BApplantation. No result C. Backhoe was backloaded from TACOMA to DOODY for FSPB construction then return by road to base. D. Mini team from c/s 1 found 2 anti tank mines at YS462818. One consisted of 40-50lbs of crude Chicom TNT, second had 20lb of block Chicom TNT. Both had pressure electrical switches. One mine had been passed over by a Tango vehicle, but failed to detonate.	
181900	OA	EBONY CP	Rainfall report. Overnight to 0800, 7pts. 0800 to 1900, 29pts. Total 27pts.	Phoned to CP
182035	I	OA	<u>SITREP</u> NDP CHEROKEE noe occupied. 11 vehicles still at COMANCHE. 2 dozers bogged outside wire. CHEROKEE CET in location. Task still to corduery surface L of C. U.S. LCT now sticking to high ground for LofC. c/s I located spider hole with tunnel running off underneath 12ft long. Could hold 20VC, quite a number of breathing holes nearby. Will be looked into tomorrow.	L of C

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191045			Penepime trailer returned to PELICAN from DIGGERS REST	To 21 Sp Tp for repair
191105	92B	OA	Case dozer returned to PELICAN from DIGGERS REST	Rec by Tpt
191130			Case backhoe returned to PELICAN from DIGGERS REST	Rec by Tpt
191830	1	OA	CET (-) with W Coy 6RAR will be delayed in returning until 20 Sep due to contactsthat Coy has had.	
191850	CP	EBONY CP	<u>RAIN REPORT</u> Overnight to 0800 - 40pts Storm 1230 - 1400 103pts Storm 1700 - 1800 76pts Total for 24hrs to 1900 219 pts	
200800			<u>PLANNED OP TASKS 20 SEP</u> A. 4 mini teams B. Dozer to XUYEN MOC to clear up wells	
200800	92B	OA	Truck towing tilt bed and dozer to XUYEN MOC broken down between BARIA - LONG DIEN.	Tpt tasked to provide replacement veh and rec vehicle
200845	CP	CE AFV (TIGER 3953)	Results of recce of culvert at YS434638	Passed to Maj RICHARDS
200935	ESCORT CP	CP	Require mini team, 1240hrs. Escort to LCT/DUC THANH.	3 Tp tasked
200955	92B	OA	CET (-) from 1 Tp returned from W Coy 6RAR	
201900	OA	EBONY CP	<u>RAIN REPORT</u> Overnight 5pts 0800hrs-1900hrs 18pts Total 23pts	

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			Pre-planned tasks: 2 mini teams, urgent concreting and plant work on 1 ATF dam spillway.	
211200			Quiet morning	
211330	CE	2IC	Dead elephant in minefield at XA BANG post (YS455840). Recce required to asses of removing carcass.	Recce Offr did air recce at 1430. Results to CE
211635	B/6 RAR CP	CP	Splinter team required 220715hrs Sep 69 for deployment to OP BURNHAM	1 Tp tasked
211700	B/3 CAV CP	CP	Mini team requirements 22 Sep: A. Serial 5. RV/0645. All day job B. Serial 6. RV/0845. All day job C. Serial 7. RV/0745. Return 1400 D. Serial 8. RV/0745. All day job	Later cancelled 2 Tp tasked 3 Tp tasked 3 Tp tasked
211900	CP	1 ATF CP	Rain Report. Overnight 40pts. Total for 24hrs 40pts.	Passed to D/O 1 ATF
211910	29	OA	Possible bunker demolition task 22 Sep. Loc Stat no change.	Ack. 2IC advised
211930	B/3 CAV CP	CP	Cancel mini team Serial 5	Actioned.
212047	1	OA	<u>SITREP</u> C/S IV located a bunker system today, extent not known yet. CET at CHEROKEE (YS307852) improving the area. LCT US cutting south of CHEROKEE. 1 Tp Comd moving fwd to recce crossing. C/S IA deploying with Ic/s 13 for demolition 13 bunkers at YS293849. Require info for Tp Comd on US M4T6 equipment. Future intentions US LCT (11 group CRYPTO sent). Battalions changing over (6RAR/9RAR) 26 Sep. Land clearing to XX Route 15 by 12 Oct.	Queried likelihood of SP being required from NUI DAT. Nodefinite answer yet. 2IC taking action CE to be advised
212125	1 ATF CP	CP	SHOVELNOSE (Stand down to)	All sub-units stood to. 1 ATF advised
212137	1 ATF CP	CP	HAMMERHEAD (Stand down)	All sub-units advised
212155	B/1 ARMD CP	CP	Request mini team to go with addition to TANGO force to AO SABOT. Probable duration 22 Sep - 2 Oct. To be at Sqh RV 0830hrs.	1 Tp tasked

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220700	BARIA 108	CP	Query from Maj LAKE on availability of instr for mine-clearing training,	Advised will be available after Wed 24 Sep
220833	29	OA	<u>SAPDEM</u> A. c/s 29 B. 1 cet- 5 men C. Bunker demolition D. 55 bunkers, some destroyed by air strikes E. YS565703 F. 1115 hrs G. 66-95 H. c/s 3 I. To be advised	2 Tp tasked. Air task request phoned to G2 (Air)
220845	29	OA	Ref SAPDEM. I c/s 3 unable to receive at 0900. Will advise time.	Advised G2 (Air)
220857	29	OA	SAPDEM Para 1. 300lb C4 2000 ft det cord 100ft safety fuse Approx 2lb of 6" nails 2 hammers	Advised SSM/2 Tp
220905	29	OA	SAPDEM Para F. (Q+2 $\frac{1}{4}$) 1115 hrs	Advised 2 Tp. Air task request 406 submitted. Advised Tpt
221056	G3 (Ops)	CP	Trace of areas cleared by LCT in HAT DICH area cleared. 3/52 ARVN Bn moving to HORSESHOE. Will be conducting combined Ops with D/6RAR North of NUI NHON and South in to the LONG GREEN. Splinter or CET support may well be requested.	Trace to G3 by 1500 hrs. Advised G3 splinter team SP recommended.
221115	OA	29	Albatross with CET (-) and explosives left WOMBAT for demolition task with C/5RAR.	Ack
221147	1	OA	Details U.S. / LCT clearing. A. 15 SEP. YS302843-303841-298838-301838 B. 16 SEP. YS304844-301842-307844-304840 C. 17 SEP. YS305852- 15 acres cleared. D. 18,19,20 SEP. Movement MOHAWK/CHEROOKE. E. 21 SEP. Only 5 acres F. 1425 acres cleared by 60 Engr Coy (US)(LCT) to date.	Details used for trace required. by G3. Maps updated
221226	9RAR CP	CP	Splinter team from REady React. CET required. React. to area of NUI DAT 2 (YS4767)	3 Tp tasked. Team left 1245hrs,

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221231	2	OA	CET with C/5RAR will be ready for extraction Q + 6 (1500hrs)	Air task request 407 sub.
221625	1	OA	SITREP. LCT cutting on high ground in areas 8&9. Intended on 23 Sep to cut West side (high ground) OF ARAE 17. 1 Tp Comd undertaking recce to river to NE on 23 Sep. Conditions at DIGGERS REST quite dry.	2IC informed
221900	CP	1 ATF CP	RAIN REPORT. Overnight zero points. 1600-1730 10pts. Total 10 pts	Passed to D/O
221940	19	OA	LCT report 22 Sep. Area cleared YS301651-302851-304844-302845. Total to date 1,530 acres.	
222043	1	OA	Addition to SITREP. c/s I W receiving an LZ const kit and explosives from 6RAR. Cutting LZ for resupply.	

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			OP tasks 23 Sep. 4 x mini teams; other ops continue	
231115	2B	OA	Mini team to instruct PF at culvert site East of DAT DO with PWD repair gang but no PF element.	Instruct 2B not to proceed further East
231315	2B	OA	Culvert job completed. Still no PF element	Instruct 2B to return to NUI DAT. Passed to 1 ATF D/O
231900	CP	1 ATF CP	Rain Report. Overnight nil. Short storm at 1615hrs. Storm 1800-1900 117pts. Total for 24hrs 117pts.	
231920	1	OA	<u>SITREP</u> A. LCT cleared following areas. YS303854-304858-307860-309858-305854 Light to heavy jungle. WET and boggy conditions. Pro total 1630 acres. B. Capt REID located a good crossing point with a rocky base at YS302862 C. c/s IA moving tomorrow to YS289857 on a bunker demolition task. D. c/s IW constructed an LZ at YS255873	
232010	29	OA	C/5RAR found 2 more bunker systems today. Probable demolition task 24/25 Sep.	2 Tp advised to stand by a CET and 300lb explosives and accessories on 30mins notice to move.

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			Pre-planned daily ops tasks. One mini team only.	
240815	1 ATF CP	CP	C/5RAR request CET for mine clearance into ambush site in village along Route 44. Half day task. RV at HORSESHOE at 1300hrs	2 Tp tasked
240820	3 Tp Officer	2IC	Info from 6RAR fwd of future intentions. New NDP to be located at YS309872. 4 hours work involved in preparing the crossing site at YS302862. Crossing to be prepared 26Sep. New NDP estb 27 Sep. Move completely 28/29 Sep. 6RAR/9RAR changeover 28/30Sep with 9RAR moving into DIGGERS REST.	
240905	1	OA	9RAR/6RAR changeover on 30 Sep 69 (sent in CRYPTO)	
241410	2A	OA	CET assisting C/5RAR in mine clearance to ambush site, now arrived at PHUOC LOI for task.	Ack
241600	2A	OA	Task completed. Negative results. Returning to NUI DAT.	Ack
241855	CP	1 ATF CP	RAIN REPORT. Overnight 23/24 Sep 25 pts No rain 0800-1900 24 Sep Total for 24 hrs 25 pts.	Passed to D/O
241830	1	OA	<u>SITREP</u> A. US LCT cleared from YS299858-299855-304855-306859 (area 17). Progressive total to date 1,770 acres. B. Bunker demolition task cut short because of friendlies bordering A0. LCT to cut in area 18 tomorrow.	Ack

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250712	1 ATF CP	CP	Routes 2 & 15 clear of obstruction. Route security class unchanged.	Ack
250852	1	OA	Query on specification of new type of explosives delivered to c/s IW for demolition task. "FLEX/X"	Advised c/s.I personally during visit later today. Similar properties to CH. One-off issue only.
251005	PLAYTIME 21	OA	<u>EMEFIX.</u> A. Cat 12E grader Reg No 98168 B. AN NHUT YS4659 C. Front axle assembly U/S D. Recovery vehicle E. Grader in middle of road F. Yes G. No H. c/s 4. Hit by APC, no injuries to personnel.	1 ATF Pro unit informed of accident and they despatched a rep to the accident site. Wksps tasked for recovery.
251110	1	OA	<u>SAPDEM</u> A. c/s 1 B. Nil C. Repair river crossing to take B vehicles for move of NDP D. N/A E. YS302862 (EJYERJMN) F. 261110 hrs Sep 69 (1100-1200) G. 54.60 (44M) H. c/s 19 I. Stores: a. 400ft of 1½" dia cordage. b. 2 rolls barbed wire c. 1 dolly d. 1 sledge hammer e. 1 bundle 8ft US pickets (30) ff. 1 chainsaw (28" blade) g. 2 pair pliers.	Air task request 408 submitted. Tpt tasked for LZ con.
251354	6B	OA	Recovery of grader completed - now back at NUI DAT.	Ack

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251530			2IC invited 1 Tp at NDP CHEROKEE and FSPB DIGGERS REST. Returned 1630	Received SITREP and future proposals from 1 Tp Comd.
251900	CP	1 ATF CP	RAIN REPORT Overnight to 0800hrs' 10 pts Shower at 1130 2 pts Total for 24 hrs 12 pts	
251920	1	OA	SITREP LCT area cleared YS300860-314861-318857-314856. Light to heavy jungle. progressive total to date 1880 acres.	Ack
252019	1	OA	1 Tp Comd to crossing site 26 Sep (YS302862) with CET and US dozer. No combat Engr tasks to report.	Ack

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			<u>PRE-PLANNED TASK</u>	
251615	Prov. Engr	CP	a. 4 x mini teams; demo team to HORSESHOE to assist D/6RAR in training 3/52 ARVN (from 2 Tp) b. For 30 Sep. Mini team to train VN in use of VN mine detector.	
260900	Fwd Del Tp	CP	Request mini team to BARIA land. RV1300	3 Tp tasked
261059	G3(Ops)	CP	Splinter team to work with D/6RAR not required until 281200hrs Sep 69	1 Tp advised
261055	OA	19	Albatross sortie with stores for river crossing const leaving WOMBAT (as per SAPDEM 25 Sep)	Ack
261130	1 ATF CP	CP	CET required at HORSESHOE before 1300hrs to D/6RAR for mine clear task	3 Tp tasked. Tpt advised
261430	1 ATF CP	CP	Ready Reaction CET required for all day task PHU MY/TAM PHUOC area 27 Sep. Briefing today 1500hrs	3 Tp tasked
261520	9 RAR CP	CP	Request advice on Engr deployment with 9RAR & US LCT in terms of group.	REcommende to Maj STEWART. a. Tp HQ at FSPB b. Det TP HQ at NDP c. Splinter team with Coy's d. Standby CET at NUI DAT
261624	2	OA	Member attached to C/5RAR MEDEVAC with bronchitis (member 217393 B) to VUNG TAU	2 Tp advised. Condition check with hosp at 1720hrs, showed condition satisfactory
261725	B/3 Cav CP	CP	<u>MINI TEAMS 27 Sep</u> a. Serial 4 - CET + MT to 9RAR 0630 - PHU MY area b. Serial 5 - MT 0845 - LONG BINH all day	3 Tp 2 Tp tasked
261850	CP	1 ATF CP	RAIN REPORT Storm 1700 - 1800hrs 79 pts Total for 24 hrs 79 pts	Passed to D/O
261945	19	OA	<u>SITREP</u> C/S 1A blew 14 bunkers at YS290849. Crossing for move of NDP completed mid-afternoon. LCT cut area north of river today.	Ack

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262005	2	OA	5RAR request any mine info vicinity YS503859	No records held this loc
262225	1 ATF CP	CP	Require electrician at HORSESHOE ASP. Generator problems	21 Sp Tp tasked
			<u>PRE PLANNED TASKS</u> 2 mini teams, Ready Reaction CET for sweep in THAM THIEN/PHU MY area.	
271350	8	OA	Request clearance for demolitions at YS435660 from 1400-1430 hrs.	Clearance obtained 1 ATF CP, Arty Tac. Wksps W1, 17 Const Sqn, 1 ARU advised. Clearance passed to c/s 8 at 1405 from 1405 to 1445hrs
271417	8	OA	Demolitions completed	Notified 1 ATF CP
271535	2	OA	B/5RAR have located 15 bunkers. Commence demolition with splinter team and own personnel. May be necessary to land eqpt or explosives in near future	2 Tp advised and instr to ensure LZ const kits ready to go in
271750	B 3 Cav CP	CP	Mini team requirement 28 Sep. a. Serial 4 - RV 0600 - all day task b. Serial 5 - RV 0715 - all day task c. Serial 6 - RV 0800 - all day task d. Serial 7 - RV 0800 - all day task e. Serial 8 - RV 0800 - morning only f. Serial 10 - RV 0900 - morning only	1 Tp tasked 2 Tp tasked 2 Tp tasked 3 Tp tasked 3 Tp tasked 3 Tp tasked
271755	SC'A' 1ATF	2IC	Can 1 Fd Sqn provide LO at BEARCAT starting 28 Sep	Advised not possible
271855	2	OA	Mini team with TA13 not being provided with rations. Request check on situation.	Investigation by 2IC in hand
272015	1	OA	<u>SITREP</u> LCT have cut from YS315875 - 305875 - 315869 - 305868. Light to heavy jungle/ numerous bomb craters. Progressive area total cleared 2,100 acres.	Ack
272350	Plant Tp	D/O	3 or 4 shots fired in Plant Tp lines.	D/O investigated. 2IC commenced investigation 0900 hrs 28 Sep

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<u>PRE</u>			<u>PRE PLANNED TASKS</u> 6 mini teams, 1 splinter team to D/6RAR at HORSESHOE	
280712	1 ATF CP	CP	Route report. Route 2, 15, and 23 clear of interdiction. Route security classification unchanged.	Ack
280914	2	OA	Any information available on mine incidents at YA504859.	Negative
281905	2	OA	Splinter team and 8 pers from B/5RAR completed demolition task. Splinter team should be able to handle most of the routine tasks in the future.	Ack
281941	1	OA	<u>SITREP</u> LCT report. Nil cleared - complete at APACHE. Progressive total 2,150 acres. C/S 1W loc in a large bunker system.	
			<u>PRE PLANNED TASKS</u> 3 mini teams, 3 Tp commence deployment on Op JACK.	
290715	1 ATF CP	CP	Routes 2 and 15 clear.	Ack
290810	G3(OPS)	2IC	Meeting for sector def comds at 1 ATF CP at 1000hrs.	2IC attended
291055	DAAG	D/O	Substantive Capt required for Court of Inquiry into loss of SAS soldier from rope during hot extraction.	Capt REID nominated
291330	8	OA	Request clearance for demolition at YS436660 from 1400-1445 hrs	Clearance obtained, W1, Wksps, 17 Const Sqn 1 ARU notified. C/S 8 notified at 1351hrs.
291427	8	OA	Demolitions completed	Ack
291500	8	OA	Request additional clearance from 1510-1540hrs	Obtained. Info passed as above.
291817	OA	1, 2	Minimise comms between 1930-2030hrs	Ack
291845	CP	1 ATF CP	RAIN REPORT. Overnight to 0800 2pts. 0800-1900 14pts Total 16pts.	Ack
291930	77 1ATF Comd Net	86	Stand to	Passed to all sub-units

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291943	53 (Sector def net)	10	This call sign standing to	Ack
292000	OA CP	4, 6A, 8, W1, W2	Advised "TRACER" (commencement of free fire period)	All ack
292015	All sub sec	CP	Exercise NOTICAS sent	Ack
2920004	OA	2	Deploy (Exercise) Reaction force to SW corner of c/s 92A subsector.	Ack. Force Comd advised in pos at 2013.
292015	OA CP	4, 6A, 8 W1, W2	Advised "DEAD DUCK" live fire to cease.	All ack
292015	53 (Sector def net)	10	Stand down	Ack
292017	OA CP	FA W1, W2, P1	Stand down	Ack
292101	1	OA	<u>SITREP</u> LCT report. Area cleared YS291800-301874-301870-304875-301875-309870 312875-312870. Progressive total 2,240 acres.	
292305	B/3Cav	CP	Require additional mini team at RV 0645 30 Sep	3 Tp tasked.

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			<u>PRE PLANNED TASKS</u>	
			5 mini teams, minefield recces at LONG HAI, HOI MY, LO GOM, DAT DO and south of BARIA.	
300715	1 ATF CP	CP	Routes 2 and 15 clear	Ack
300737	CP	1 ATF CP	Request clearance to move APC's (FLINT/STEELE) along route 44 south of LONG DIEN to LONG HAI. Leaving approx 0800. In the LONG HAI area 2 - 3 Hrs.	Clearance granted. 1 ATF to advise sector.
300928	STEELE	OA	LOCSTAT. At long HAI on first minefield recce.	Ack
301005	49	OA	Vehicle accident involving RAASC tipper on Route 23 near AN NHUT.	TFMA taking action. Provost advised.
301125	STEELE	OA	Leaving LONG HAI	Ack
301206	STEELE	OA	LOCSTAT. HOI MY	Ack
301256	STEELE	OA	LOCSTAT. LO GOM	Ack
301359	STEELE	OA	LOCSTAT. DAT DO	Ack
304443	G2(6PS)	2IC	Query on allocation of Engrs for 17 Const Sqn LCT deployment.	Suggested splinter team with Inf Coy; mini team with cav section. Lt KOWALD attended coord conference 1 ATF at 1515hrs.
301448	49	OA	Roller off road in paddy field. Request recovery.	Wksps tasked. Wrecker sent when repairs completed at 1550hrs.
301507	STEELE	OA	Finished todays programme of recces. Could do one to south of BARIA.	Instr to carry out additional recce.
301510	OA	49	Advised that a 106 Fd Wksps recovery vehicle may be passing shortly from E-W. Stop vehicle and obtain assistance. Has been cleared.	Ack
301713	6B	OA	Recovery of roller requires additional wrecker	Austin Weston crane despatched in lieu at approx 1725hrs

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301725	1 Fd Regt	CP	Moving sect guns to HORSESHOE 1 Oct. Request dozer be made available to level gun platforms.	Plant Tp advised
301745	B 2 3 Cav	CP	Mini team tasks 1 Oct a. Serial 4 LCT sect. RV W/6RAR 0700 b. Serial 5 RV 0745, all day	1 Tp tasked 3 Tp tasked
301904	OA	2,3, 49	Change to altn freq (57-65)	Ack
301915	CP	1 ATF CP	Aviced that recovery/plant elm still returning from R23 and is now between AN NHUT - LONG DIEN. THEY have advised IO DAT DO who has warned ARVN posts along R23. Will return via BARIA, R2 and R2 bypass. Request you advise 1 ATF elms who may be concerned. Back in NUI DAT 30-45 mins.	Ack and will be actioned.
301917	3	OA	CE has visited this loc and discussed recce of SONG CA. LT GEORGE and SSGT PRITCHARD will proceed forward on ground recce	Advised that one of these 2 must remain at the FSPB or NDP. Ack and cleared by c/s 3
301952	49	OA	Entering NUI DAT Base	Ack