# Series: AWM95 Australian Army commanders' diaries [Vietnam]

Engineer units

Item number: 4/2/65

Item: 1 Field Squadron

Narrative

Operations Log

[1-30 Nov 1970]

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To: OIC, Military History Section, AHQ.

1. I enclose Commanders Diary (AF C 2118) (Adapted) as indicated at Part 2.

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## COMMANDERS DIARY

OF

Unit or Formation 1 FD SQN GP
From 1 NOV 70 To 30 NOV 70

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# COMMANDERS DIARIES INSTRUCTIONS

### AIM

1. The aim of a Commanders Diary is to provide data on which to base future improvements in Army training, equipment, organization and administration, and to furnish historians with a record of the activities of units and formations in operational and non-operational periods in peace and in war.

#### GENERAL

- 2. Entries are to be made daily on AF C 2118 (Adapted) each entry being initialled by the officer detailed to keep it.
- 3. Commanders Diaries will conform with the rules for drafting orders given in "Staff Duties (Australia)", Chapter 2, Section 12.

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## **During Non-operational Periods**

4. A Commanders Diary is to be compiled by commanders of all formations.

## **During Operational Periods** (1)

- 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.
  - c. Heads of services not below the rank of lieutenant colonel.
  - 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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- 6. Both original and duplicate copies are to consist of:
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  - b. Index as printed on cover.
  - c. Narrative (AF C 2118) (Adapted).
  - d. Annexes as shown in the Index.
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## COMMANDERS DAIRY NARRATIVE

OFFICER COMMANDING

UNIT 1 FD SQN GP

G MAJ R.J.JOHNSON

MONTH AND YEAR NOV 70.

DATE EVENT OR INFORMATION ANNEX LETTER AND ENCLOSURE No 1 Nov The boat platoon returned today from the Rung Sat Secret Zone (RSSZ). A change of responsibility has taken place at NDP GARTH. 2 RAR are now responsible for the NDP and all resupply to it. 2 Nov D8 clearing the area of the quarry at the Courtenay feature suffered some damage, when a log went through the radiator. The workshop deployed an FRT to GARTH to repair the damaged D8. Work was 80% complete at last light. 3 Nov 4 Nov A mine was detonated in the protective minefield to the south of the unit location at about 2200 hrs last night. VR of area by 2IC showed the blast pattern but no sign of animal or human initiation of the mine. Boat platoon deployed today to the RSSZ. Due to the low tide a delay of 12 hours was imposed on the 5 Nov launching. 6 Nov Activity increased today in the area of NDP GARTH, with the location of a cache and two anti-tank mines. At 2050 hrs movement on the NDP wire was detected and an attemp to lay mines was apparently interrupted. 7 Nov Command changed today at the Land Clearing Team (LCT) at NDP HELEN and Route 2 construction at NDP GARTH. 1 Fd Sqn assumed responsibility for the LCT at 1200 hrs and 17 Const Scn took over Route 2 reconstruction at the same time. The boat platoon returned at 0730 hrs. The first day's work of the 1 Fd Sqn LCT saw 45,000 sq m cleared. 8 Nov 9 Nov FSPB SCOBIE closed down today with a D4 deployed in support. 10 Nov A recce of the minefield around the DUC THANH RF Post was done today. 3 x mini teams deployed with the OC B Sqn 3 Cav on ambush operations in the area of DUC THANH today. 11 Nov No changes to locations or tasks. 12 Nov The MCT was to deploy to DUC THANH RF Post today, but was delayed 24 hrs due to mechanical problems. 13 Nov The Cav Sqn carried out a SAS insertion into the are of YS 7582. A CET deployed with them to assist with obsticles and mine clearance. The MCT deployed to DUC THANH today and is experiencing hold ups caused by aircraft crossing the working area. 14 Nov The mine clearing team continues to be hampered by aircraft flying into the danger area of the operation. 15 Nov No changes to locations or major tasks. 16 Nov A splinter team from 1 Troop deployed to the RSSZ to assist B Coy 2 RAR with a search of a bunker installation.

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## COMMANDERS DAIRY NARRATIVE

UNIT 1 FD SQN GP

OFFICER COMMIANDING MAJ R.J.JOHNSON

| MONTH . | AND : | YEAR  | MOA                           | 70                  |
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| 17 Nov | The mine clearing tank deployed on its first clearing operation to Route 326. The length of the road (about 7,000 metres) was completed in two days, despite several hold ups with initial teething problems.            |                                  |
| 18 Nov | The DS working in the DUC THANH minefield became unserviceable and the MCT is to withdraw until repairs are affected.  |                                  |
| 19 Nov | Mine clearing tank deployed to Route 2 to clear betwee NGIAO GIAO and GARTH.   |                                  |
| 20 Nov | The LCT moved from NDP HELEN to NDP MELISSA at YS 303760. 92T (Mine clearing tank) completed the Route 2 task at about 1100 hrs.   |                                  |
| 1 Nov  | No changes to locations or major tasks.  |                                  |
| 22 Nov | The LCT uncovered 2 graves with 2 x VC buried in Chi-com plastic. To be investigated by 1 ATF Int Staff.   |                                  |
| 23 Nov | No changes to major tasks or locations. 3 Troop deployed a MT to LONG DIEN, where they searched and destroyed a bunker, constructed in concrete under a new house in the village. Bunker constructed by C25 (Const) Coy. |                                  |
| 24 Nov | 3 Troop deployed 3 x MT to the area of BINH GIA with the Cav for ambashing operations. The LCT experienced difficulty with the D8s today and will have one machine operational tomorrow.                                 |                                  |
| 5 Nov  | The LCT is having a serviceing day, 2 machines to be returned to NUI DAT for repairs.  |                                  |
| 26 Nov | No changes to locations or tasks.  |                                  |
| 7 Nov  | D4 deployed to FSPB COOK to produce bunds for 161 BTY.   |                                  |
| 8 Nov  | D4 returned from NDP BRIDGET.  |                                  |
| 9 Nov  | D4 deployed to FSPB COOK returned to NUI DAT. Ready reaction mini team deployed to XUYEN MOC as part of 1 ATF reaction forces to assist local forces in defence of XUYEN MOC   |                                  |
| O Nov  | 2 x MT sent to MUYEN MOC to check for mines laid in compound during the previous night by marauding VC. Returned at 1300 hrs.  |                                  |
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|           |      |    | PRE - PLANNED TASKS.  21 EST boat platoon returns.  |              |
| 010756    | 49   | ØA | Pass to 49A. Reference flack jackets. Nil return this location. Also have found several leaks in water tank. Will try to repair today, if not will require 1,000 gal container. | Ack.         |
| 010804    | 49   | ØA | Reference road clearance. Large amount matter on road. Will take longer to clear. Should be finished by 0900 hrs.   | Ack.         |
| 010842    | 49   | ØA | Road cleared now.   | Ack.         |
| 011212    | 49   | ØA | Inform Seagull that we require 1,000 gals dieso and 500 gsls water for tomorrow.  | Ack.         |
| 011510    | 5    | ØA | Recovery completed. Returning to your location.   | Ack.         |
| 011705    | 49   | ØA | Could you confirm request for water and dieso sent earlier.   |              |
|           | ØA   | 49 | This has been confirmed with Duty Officer but not with Seagull as he is not in this location. Will inform him when he returns.  | Ack.         |
| 011750    | 49   | ØA | Pie-cart has arrived with nothing on it. Let Sunray know of this.   | Ack.         |
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|           |      |    | PRE - PLANNED TASKS No change.  |                     |
| 020715    | ØA   | 49 | Water and dieso to be done through Foxhound as of today.  | Ack.                |
| 020755    | ØA   | 49 | Do you want more blast rock in your location.   |                     |
|           | 49   | ØA | Affirmative.  |                     |
|           | ØA   | 49 | Tippers to be sent to your location today at normal RV.   | Ack.                |
| 021105    | 49   | ØA | Just had conference with my Foxhound and he seems to think that re-supply of POL is still your task.  |                     |
|           | ØA   | 49 | Negative.   |                     |
| 021215    | 49   | ØA | Bluebell member in this location requests another arc welder and associated equipment.  |                     |
|           | ØΑ   | 49 | Roger. On today's convoy.   | Ack.                |
| 021325    | 2    | ØA | Maint Dem.  A. c/s 2  B. 3 x raincoats 5 x prs socks 1 x shelters individual  C. 030900H Nov D. 031600H Nov E. Vehicle from 2R location  F. 2R G. Nil H. c/s 2 I. Nil | Maint Dem made out. |
| 021400    | ØA   | 49 | Concerning hot boxes. Coming back dirty. Clean before returning.  | Ack.                |
| 021545    | 49   | ØA | Radio playing up. Log through radiator. Will send report back.  | Ack.                |
| 021925    | 49   | ØA | Unsuccessful on D8. Require Bluebell's assistance 6A. with oxy welder, arc welder and 1 spare fan belt.   | Ack.                |

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|           |      |    | PRE - PLANNED TASKS.  Workshops to deploy Forward Repair Team to GARTH to carry out repairs on the damaged D8. |              |
| 030930    | 6A   | ØA | Have arrived at location of causualty. Has radiator and fan trouble.   | Ack.         |
| 031310    | 49   | ØA | Shots near this location. Nothing further.   | Ack.         |
| 031311    | 49   | ØA | Referance last. About 1,000 metres east. Believed civilians shooting birds.                                    | Ack.         |
| 031325    | 49   | ØA | Referance last. Foxhounds said deffinately not friendly. Sending someone up to check it out.                   | Ack.         |
| 031420    | 49   | ØA | Have D8 operational again. Check with Bluebell your location referance fan.                                    | Ack.         |
| 031421    | 9B   | ØA | Fire on in 6 minutes.  | Ack.         |
| 031432    | 9B   | ØA | Demolition complete.   | Ack.         |
| 031433    | 49   | ØA | Sending Bluebell back to your location tonight. They will come up in morning and finish job by 1000 hrs.       | Ack.         |
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|           |       |    | PRE - PLANNED TASKS.  FRT from Workshops continues working on D8 in GARTH.   |              |
| 040845    | ØA    | 49 | Be advised. There will be 12 serials moving to your location at normal RV paoint at 0930 hrs.  | Ack.         |
| 041100    | ENTRY |    | Checked area where mine explosion took place at 032200H Nov, with negative results.  |              |
| 041305    | ØA    | 49 | Tomorrow an albatross will be coming near your location to south where buildings are, with Sunray. Be there at 1000 hrs for 20 minutes.  Require LZ to be secure.  | Ack.         |
| 041342    | ØA    | 49 | Convoy has left this location. Meet them in 30 minutes at normal place for normal task.  | Ack.         |
| 041615    | 13    | ØA | VC Installation Reprt.  A. 1. Bunker System. 2. 041000H Nov 70. 3. India 12 (2 RAR).  B. YS 357651.  C. 1. 150 x 50 metres. 2. 8 x bunkers, 10' x 8' x 4'6" with lean-to on top with bunker still under construction. Plus 2 x L shaped weapon pits, 4' x 3' x 3'. plus 2 x water points which had bamboo hut under construction over top 3. 3' OHP.  4. 3 routes running South East, West and North.  D. 1. 3 to 4 weeks old 2. 4 Nov 70. 3. Water in bunkers. Very good condition.  E. 1. Cooking utinsels. Large quantity of rubber from which sandals had been made. 1 x 105 mm arty shell with fuse removed plus large quantit of Chi-com explasive plastic. Batteries and electrical wiring. 2. Stores lifted out by possum. Arty shell plus rest of minor stores left in system.  F. N/A.  G. 1. System left in tact. 2. N/A. |              |

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| 042125    | 49   | ØA | Have Bluebell standing by to speak with Bluebell your location referance D8.   | Ack.         |
| 042140    | 49   | ØA | If we loose D8 the time programme will need to be doubled.   | Ack.         |
| 042150    | ØA   | 49 | From Bluebell rear. Will be bought to your location. If it can be done there it will be. If not it will have to be bought back to this location. | Ack.         |
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|           |      |     | PRE - PLANNED TASKS.  21 EST to deploy boat plateon to RSSZ.  |                     |
| 050740    | ØA   | 49  | 9 is to come to your location today. No need to get LZ ready.   | Ack.                |
| 051040    | 9    | ØA  | Inform c/s 49 that c/s 9 will be in your location in 10 minutes.  | Passed to c/s 49.   |
| 051440    | 49   | ØA  | Have Bluebell send up complete jack-shaft for Mk 5 on tonights piecart.   | Ack.                |
| 051530    | 5B   | ØA  | Due to tide. 1½ hours before launching.   | Ack.                |
| 051535    | ØA   | 5B  | Go ahead as planned. Still have 2 hours of sunlight.  | Ack.                |
| 051935    |      | ØA. | Could you call 2IR c/s 47.  Maint Dem.  A. c/s 7  B. 1 x mosquito net  1 x bush hat size 6½  1 x towel large 3 x prs socks medium 5 x shirts size 15 2 x trousers size 27-31S.  Member 7127, L c/s 4 requires 3 x prs trousers from his locker.  C. 060800H Nov  D. 061800H Nov  E. Pie-cart. | Maint Dem made out. |

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|           |      |    | PRE - PLANNED TASKS.  |              |
|           |      |    | 21 EST to move 8 RAR Power House.   |              |
| 060910    | 49   | ØA | Incident Report.  A. TA13  B. 060700H Nov  C. 451910  D. Nil  E. N/A  F. 1 x 50 lb bag of barley and corn mixed inside with 1 x 20 lb bag of of long grain rice.  1 x 80 to 90 lb bag of barley and corn mixed inside was 6 x 2 lb bags of sugar and 3 x D cell batteries.  1 x sand bag of brown rice.  4 x 1 lb bags of noodles.  Several smaller packets.  2 x prepared meals of rice wrapped in banana leaves.  G. N/A.  H. Food found hastily hidden on side of road. No civilians in area.  Appeared to be ready for collection tonight. Noodles and meals destroyed and rice etc to be backloaded on Piecart tonight. Test |              |
|           | 4.   |    | firing last night probably prevented picking up.  | Ack.         |
| 060945    | ØA   | 49 | From Playtime. Was the jack shaft the correct one and when will the vehicle be on the road.   | Aple         |
| 251212    |      |    |   | Ack.         |
| 061210    | 49   | ØA | Referance part for tipper. Wrong part. We require jack shaft with 4 x bolts either end. The one we have now has 6 bolts either end.   | Ack.         |
| 061328    | ØA   | 49 | Convoy should be at RV at 1400 hrs.   | Ack.         |
| 061340    | 49   | ØA | Foxhound element found an anti-tank mine. More details to follow.   | Ack.         |
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| 061500    | 49   | ØA | Mine Incident Report  A. c/s 62A  B. 061330H Nov  C. 449895  D. Visual  E. Chi-com INT  F. VC local pattern  G. 25 lbs  H. Pressure electric  I. Nil  J. Locals in area. Likely minfield. | Ack.         |
| 061615    | 49   | ØA | Another mine incident 100 metres north east of last one. More details to follow.  | A ck.        |
| 061620    | 49   | ØA | Sunray Foxhound this location would like to have a close look at feature where mines were found with MT. Has Sunray any objections.   |              |
|           | ØA   | 49 | Negative objections.  | Ack.         |
| 061750    | 49   | ØA | Mine Incident Report.  A. c/s 62A  B. 061600H Nov  C. 454898  D. Visual  E. Mine  F. Chi-com  G. 20 lbs  H. Pressure  I. Civilians in area. Approximately 5 to 6 months old.              | Ack.         |
| 062050    | 49   | ØA | Movement on wire. Observed by 3 people. Will inform you of anything further.  | Ack.         |

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| 062100    | 49   | ØA  | Mine Incident Report.  A. c/s 6A  B. 062040H Nov  C. This location.  D. Not known  E. Not known  F. Not known  G. South to north. Not known  H. Movement heard on wire in front of western strong point over period of 10 minutes. Claymores and M79 rounds were fired. Sweep to be conducted at first light. | Ack.         |
| 062155    | 49   | ØA  | Foxhound elements reporting sounds of groaning from blast area.   | Ack.         |
| 062245    | 49   | ØA  | Small arms fire automatic and M79 rounds at 1,000 metres north east. Location at 456916.  | Ack.         |
| 062400    | 49   | ØA. | Foxhound elements are starting search of area with illumination in 30 minutes. Inform Seagull that mini team will probably be required as there may have been mines laid.   | Ack          |

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|   | 070753    | ØA   | 49  | Albatross left for HELEN with people aboard. Arrives in 20 minutes.<br>Reference mini team. Extra one in that location at 1400 hrs.             | Ack.         |
|   | 070825    | ØA   | 49  | Has playtime left yet with Bluebell gear.   |              |
| 1 |           | 49   | ØA  | Not ready to go yet but will leave as soon as we get US protection party.   |              |
|   |           | ØA   |     | Drop off Bluebell gear as soon as possible. Will let you know of details.   | Ack.         |
|   | 071115    | 7    | ØΑ  | Require 500 gals dieso, 500 gals mogas and 1,000 gals of water plus 3 medium sizes and 4 large sizes. Will come back on this means at 1200 hrs. |              |
|   |           |      |     | Until then permission to close down.  | Ack.         |
|   | 071151    | 49   | ØA. | Permission to change from your net to net of parent unit.   | Ack.         |
|   | ENTRY     |      |     | At appoximately 1200 hrs c/s 7 will commence from NDP HELEN as the 1 Fd Squ<br>LCT. C/s 49 will close down from GARTH.                          |              |
|   | 071520    | 4    |     | LCT Report - HELEN.  A. Nil.  B. Nil.  C. 4  D. 4 machines serviced today. No work today.   |              |
|   |           |      |     | The matter solves of the work today.  | Ack.         |
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| 080750    | 7    | ØA | Has morning piecart been cancelled.   |              |  |
|           | ØA   | 7  | Not by me.  | Ack.         |  |
| 080800    | 6B   | ØA | 6B and 5B have arrived on location.   | Ack.         |  |
| 080820    | . 5A | ØA | C/s 5B now at this location and commenced recovery.   | Ack.         |  |
| 080925    | ØA   | 7  | Medic left his medical kit at your location. Have it sent down on tonights piecart. Has chopper come in to your location with backload. | Ack.         |  |
| 080935    | ØA   | 7  | Reference backload. Will be albatross in your location in about 30 mins to pick it up.  | Ack.         |  |
| 080955    | 6B   | ØA | Have finished recovery and am returning to your location.   | Ack.         |  |
| 081520    | 7    | ØA | LCT Report - HELEN. A. 45,000 sq. m. B. Nil C. 4 D. Nil.  | Ack          |  |
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|           |      |    | PRE - PLANNED TASKS.  Plant Troop to deploy D4 and 3 Troop to supply a mini team to go with Arty for closing of FSPB SCOBIE.   |              |
| 090745    | 7    | ØА | 2 operators swapped over to this c/s are coming to your location on piecart. LCT D8 in your location, will it stay there or be sent out here in the future.                  |              |
|           | ØA   | 7  | At the moment it is unserviceable.   |              |
|           | 7    | ØA | Require 6 x 25 set batteries.  |              |
|           | ØA   | 7  | Referance Possum for VR. Can we change time to 0900 hrs.   |              |
|           | 7    | ØA | Not at the moment. Medic requires stores. Maint Dem we sent in for 5 shirts and only recieved 1 shirt.   | Ack.         |
| 090759    | 7    | ØA | For resupply tomorrow, will require 500 gals water and 500 gals dieso.   |              |
|           | ØA   | 7  | Roger. Reference Maint Dem. Have no copy but will chase it up at your relocation.  | ar<br>Ack.   |
| 090840    | 7    | ØA | We require 1 x drum of OE30 oil. From Bluebell our location, requires 1 x large heating torch, 1 x 10" crescent, 1 x 18" crescent on piecart tonight.                        | Ack.         |
| 091033    | 2    | ØA | Mine Incident Report.  A. c/s 2 7 RAR.  B. 090550H Nov.  C. 522540.  D. Detonated, jumped malfunction of main charge.  E. M16  F. US.  G. 1 LB  H. Pressure.  I. Nil  J. Nil | Ack.         |
| 091425    | 7    | ØA | LCT Report - HELEN. A. 50,000 sq m. B. Nil. C. 4 D. Nothing to report.   | Ack.         |

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|           |      |    | PRE - PLANNED TASKS.  1 and 3 Troop to deploy 3 x MT with Cav to DUC THANH for ambush operations DAT DO Cross-roads construction continues today. |              |
| 101120    | 925  | ØA | Have finished task and are on way back to your location.  | Ack.         |
| 101350    | 4C   | ØA | We are at DAT DO Cross-roads and have damaged a water-pipe and having trouble in understanding and communicating with a chap here.                |              |
|           | ØA   | 4C | Will send Chatterbox with Seagull Minor down to your location.  | Ack.         |
| 101510    | 7    | ØA | LCT Report - HELEN.  A. 45,000 sq m.  B. Nil.  C. 3  D. Light repairs to unserviceable machine.   | Ack.         |
| 101833    | 7    | ØA | For resupply on tomorrow's piecart, require 1,000 gals water and 500 gals dieso.  | Ack.         |
| 101840    | 7    | ØA | Require 1 x 44 gal drum of OE10 hydrolic oil.   | Ack.         |
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| 110840                     | 7             | ØA | Doing a visual recce. Referance visitor. May be there tonight on piecart in morning. | Ack.         |
| 110845                     | ØA            | 7  | Referance last. He can get piecart and go south and hitch ride up tomorrow.          | Ack.         |
| 111510                     | 7             | ØA | LCT Report HELEN.  A. 60,000 sq m.  B. Nil  C. 3  D. Nil.                            | Ack.         |
| 112215<br>112230<br>112245 | 10<br>4<br>10 | 10 | Shovelnose complete. Hammerhead.   | Ack. Ack.    |
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| 121015    | 7                  | ØA.                | PRE - PLANNED TASKS. No change.  For c/s 69. Require following spare parts, all contained in book 638, page 11.  Item-No 16 PartNo. 3S7737 - Elbow.  Item-No 17 Part No. 3S7712 - Hose.  2 x hose clips and gasket materials to this location on tonights supply or sooner if possible. | Ack.         |
| 121115    | 7<br>ØA<br>7<br>ØA | ØA<br>7<br>ØA<br>7 | Seagull are you coming out this morning.  Negative.  Referance machine. We are about 1,000 metres north of HELEN.  Roger. Will talk to people about it.   | Ack.         |
| 121215    | 7                  | ØA                 | Require following items ASP.  1 x bottle Aust oxygen.  Book 638 page 133 - Item No, 01 Part No.4M1812 Soleniod switch.  Indent No. 5939-00-756-8775.  Plus 1 x roll chicken wire.   | Ack.         |
| 121340    | ØA                 | 7                  | Referance list of spare parts. If you can prepare pilot mission brief and sort out stuff for the cut, give all to pilot and he will take to cut.  | Ack.         |
| 121510    | 7                  | ØA                 | <pre>LCT Report - HELEN. A. 45,000 sq m B. Uncovered 3 x bunkers 10' x 10' with 18" over head.cover.     approximately 3 years old and last used 12 months ago. YS 308754. C. 3 D. Nil.</pre>   | Ack.         |
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|           |      |     | PRE - PLANNED TASKS  3 Troop to deploy a CET with Cav to YS7582 for SAS insertion. Obstacle crossings may be necessary.  Plant Troop to deploy MCT to DUC THANH RF Post.  |              |
| 130742    | 7    | ØA  | Send 500 gals dieso and 500 gals water tomorrow plus hexamine or solid fuel on tonights piecart.  |              |
|           | ØA   | 7   | Roger. Were parts delivered yesterday.  |              |
|           | 7    | ØA  | Roger. We have 4 machines on the road.  | Ack.         |
| 130800    | ØA   | 92G | Are you in location of work site yet.   |              |
|           | 92G  | ØA  | Negative. Will be there in 5 minutes.   |              |
|           | ØA   | 92G | Roger. You have negative air clearance, but will let you know ASP.  | Ack.         |
| 130831    | ØA   | 92G | Are you ready to commence work.   |              |
|           | 92G  | ØA  | The commander this location told us to start on the southern side, where as the OC told us the northern. Could you give me a decision.  |              |
|           | ØA   | 92G | Spoken to c/s 9. You are to abide by his instruction until further notice   | Ack.         |
| 130910    | 92G  | ØA  | Still waiting for air clearance. People across the road working are delaying us. They'll be there for another day.  | Ack.         |
| 130915    | ØA   | 92G | You have affirmative air clearance. Will speak to c/s 9 concerning other people working your location.  |              |
| ENTRY     |      |     | Air clearance on Grids: - 4677, 4678, 4778 and 4777 from 0730 to 1730 hours daily until further notice. Also on Grid 4578 from 0800 to 1600 hours.  |              |
| 131015    | 7    |     | Require following items:- 1 x large 'G' clamp 1 x small 'G' clamp Referance Book of Engineering A638 page 21 Item 22, part No 37520 - Belt 'V' Require 2 off with indent No. 3030-66-027-9695. Page 119 Item 9 part No 858335. Belt 'V' Require 2 off with indent No. 3030-66-027-9133. |              |

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|           | 7    | ØA | 26 feet of 2" x ¼" angle iron and 3 x handerchiefs.   | Ack.         |
| 131505    | 7    | ØA | LCT Report - HELEN.  A. 65,000 sq m  B. Nil  C. 4  D. Nil   | Ack.         |
| 131550    | 92G  | ØA | C/s 49 not with us. We have almost completed work and are now back in night location.   | Ack.         |
| 131935    | 7    | ØA | Water this location contain bladder, 300 gal water block. Request order 1,000 gals for 15 th. There will be no work tomorrow with Bluebell coming to this location. | Ack.         |
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|           |             |     | PRE - PLANNED TASKS. No change.   |              |
| 140845    | 92G         | ØA  | Contact Bluebell and inform them to send someone to this location .  APC has leaky diff and can't be moved.   |              |
|           | ØA          | 92G | Roger. Air clearance confirmed.   | Ack.         |
| 140925    | 92G         | ØA  | Find out ETA of Bluebell.   |              |
|           | ØA          | 92G | On way to your location now.  | Ack.         |
| 141015    | 92G         | ØA  | Send other APC to this location ASP. Other APC is unserviceable according to Bluebell.  | Ack.         |
| 141030    | ØA          | 92G | Have Bluebell try and fix it at your location, If not I will have it remore by tilt-bed.  | red          |
|           | 92G         | ØA  | Bluebell has just informed me that he may be able to fix it.  | Ack.         |
| 141045    | 7           | ØA  | From Bluebell this location - require the following:-  1 x greasegun for fitters truck.  Track pins and nuts for M113  1 x 11/16 th AF socket.  42' x 2' x 4" steel plate.  Book - Engine - A638 - page 19.  Item 1 - Indent No 2930-66-027-9015  Item 2 - Serial 11 part No 5S577 - Gaurd right hand.  Item 3 - Serial 16 part No 5S578 - Gaurd left hand.  Page 21.  Item 18 - No6B1124 2 off bearings.  Item 19 - No8B2327 ring  Item 26 - No5M9735 seal | Ack.         |
| 141130    | 92 <b>G</b> | ØA  | A Porter is trying to land at this location. Inform someone to get him  | Ack.         |

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| 141135    | 92G<br>ØA<br>92G | ØA<br>92G<br>ØA | Has air clearance been properly fixed yet.  Affirmative.  Have struck a number of M16 mines here today. Porter will be in trouble if he doesn't move.  | Ack.         |
|           | ØA               | 92G             | Trouble being fixed now,   | Ack.         |
| 141200    | 92G              | ØA              | Fuel wagon was supposed to be sent to this location this morning but didn't arrive. Inform appropriate members to have it sent to this location ASP.   | Ack.         |
| 141430    | ØA               | 92G             | Reference repairs to machine. Try and have it moved back to night location. Bluebell will be up in the morning to help with repairs. Should take about 3 hours to fix so don't plan on working first thing in the morning. | Ack.         |
| 141520    | ENTRY            |                 | OC contacted Air Cell on air craft movements at DUC THANH.   |              |
| 141540    | 92G              | ØA              | Mine Clearing Report DUC THANH.  A. 141545H Nov  B. 3,000 sq m cleared  C. 11 x M16 mines.  D. 2 hrs  E. 8.  | Ack.         |
| 141540    | ENTRY            |                 | No LCT Report from c/s 7 today.  |              |
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| 150806<br>150808<br>150815<br>7  | 92G<br>ØA<br>7 | PRE - PLANNED TASKS.  No change.  Do we have air clearance to work this morning.  Air clearance confirmed.  Require following ASP.  French chalk  2 x 'D' shackles with 4" pins.  Chicken wire.  Jerry cans.  For Bluebell. The D8 this location requires and armoured. Also brake booster is faulty. | Ack.  Ack.  Ack.  Ack.  Ack.   |
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| 150808 7<br>150815 7<br>151045 9 | ØA 7           | Do we have air clearance to work this morning.  Air clearance confirmed.  Require following ASP.  French chalk  2 x 'D' shackles with 3 pins.  Chicken wire.  Jerry cans.  For Bluebell. The D8 this location requires and  | Ack.  Ack.  Ack.   |
| 150808                           | ØA 7           | Air clearance confirmed.  Require following ASP. French chalk 2 x 'D' shackles with 4" pins. Chicken wire. Jerry cans.  For Bluebell. The D8 this location requires and   | Ack.  Ack.  Ack.   |
| 150815 7<br>151045 9             | 925            | Require following ASP.  French chalk  2 x 'D' shackles with 3" pins.  Chicken wire.  Jerry cans.  For Bluebell. The D8 this location requires and   | Ack.  Ack.  Ack.   |
| 151045 9<br>151246 7             | 925            | French chalk  2 x 'D' shackles with 3" pins.  Chicken wire.  Jerry cans.  For Bluebell. The D8 this location requires ano   | other ram which must be  |
| 151045 9<br>151246 7             |                | For Bluebell. The D8 this location requires and armoured. Also brake booster is faulty.   | The state of the s |
|                                  | 7              |   |  |
| 151525 7                         |                | Can we have 500 gals mogas this location tomorro  | Ack.   |
|                                  | 7              | LCT Report - HELEN. A. 50,000 sq m B. Nil C. 3 D. Nil   | Ack.   |
| 151600                           | 92G            | MCT Report - DUC THANH.  A. 151170 - 1445H Nov  B. 2 hrs filling in slot  C. Nil  D. 6 hrs down time - damaged hydrolic ram.  E. 7 pers working.  | Ack.   |

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|           |           |           | PRE - PLANNED TASKS  1 Troop to deploy 1 x ST by air to RSSZ to support B Coy/2 RAR in installation seach.  |              |
| 160732    | ØA .      | 92G       | You ahve affirmative air clearance.   | Ack.         |
| 161250    | ØA        | 92G       | Have you recieved D8 parts yet.   | Ack.         |
| 161255    | 92G<br>ØA | ØA<br>92G | What is happening about the service wagon. We need it for D8.  Service wagon on its way now.  | Ack.         |
| 161330    | 7         | ØA        | Require 4 x taps, 3" wide. Contact c/s 5.   | Ack.         |
| 161515    | 7         | ØA        | LCT Report - HELEN.  A. 40,000 sq m  B. Nil  C. 3  D. 2 dozers working most of the day.   | Ack.         |
| 161535    | 7         | ØA        | Request:- A. 1 x bottle of acetylene. B. 1 x governor belt for VW welder. C. Gasket material.   | Ack.         |
| 161540    | ØA        | 7         | Referance your request, it will be arriving on tonights piecart.  | Ack.         |
| 161550    | 92G       | ØA        | Mine Clearing Report - DUC THANH A. 161545H Nov B. Slot completed, filled. C. Nil D. 6 hrs E. 7 pers working.   | Ack.         |
| 161930    | 7         | ØA        | Resupply for 18 th. 500 gals dieso, plus tent size No 1, also winch cable - 1" steel wire rope x 150* long, deadeye no more than 2" also couple of bulldog clips. | Ack.         |

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|           |      |      | PRE - PLANNED TASKS.  Plant Troop to deploy M48 Mine Clearing Tank on its first operation to clear Route 326.  |                 |
| 170830    | ØA _ | 92G  | You have affirmative air clearance.  | Ack.            |
| 170955    | ØA   | TA31 | Can you give me progress of 92T.   |                 |
|           | TA31 | ØA:  | Roger. We have moved about 500 metres from start and going well. Just about to move again.                     | Ack.            |
| 171105    | 9    | ØA   | Have comms trouble with 92T. Have Seagull travel ASP to meet me on road for conferance. All going well so far. |                 |
|           | ØA   | 9    | Roger. Leaving in about 5 minutes.   | Ack.            |
| 171110    | 49A  | 92G  | Through ØA. Do you need fuel for D8.   |                 |
|           | 92G  | 49A  | Affirmative.   | Ack.            |
| 171340    | 7    | ØA   | Referance fuel and water. Don't need any. Have ordered 500 gals dieso for tomorrow. No water.                  | Ack.            |
| 171350    | /92T | ØA   | Tell c/s 9 we are on our 2nd pass and are on our way back.   | Ack.            |
| 171405    | ØA ! | 921  | Are you on your way back to this location.   |                 |
|           | 92T  | ØA   | Negative. Almost finished 2nd run. Inform c/s 9 that we will require Watchdogs in approximately 2 hours.       | Informed c/s 9. |
| 171430    | 9    | ØA   | Inform c/s 92T. Watchdogs will be available at 1520 hrs and that 92T is not to proceed past bottle neck.       | Informed 92T.   |
| 171500    | 7    | ØA   | LCT Report - HELEN.  A. 45,000 sq m  B. Located old bunker system but previously destroyed.  C. 3  D. Nil.     | Ack.            |
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| 171540    | 92T  | ØA | Back in your location. Permission to close down.  | Ack.         |
| 171550    | 92G  | ØA | Mine Clearing Report - DUC THANH.  A. 171170 - 1545H Nov  B. Slot dug, commenced stripping.  C. 8 x M16 mines.  D. Nil  E. 7 pers working.  | Ack.         |
| 171645    | 7    | ØA | Addition to LCT Report.  8 x ADZF blades at YS 311756. Located in hollow tree and estimated to be 2 months old.   | Ack.         |
| 171920    | 7    | ØA | Request:-  1. Page 638, 403 item 3A number 164-675 hose, 44 inches long and item 132049. Indent No. 4770-66-0028-0037.  2. Page 396. Item 44 number 95893 Indent No. 40-66-027-9736.  3. Fan belt and generator bolt. | Ack.         |
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| 4:000777  | 000                                     |     | PRE - PLANNED TASKS.  1 Troop to deploy 1 x ST with V Coy/2 RAR to the RSSZ.  |                     |
| 180737    | 92G                                     | 1   | Are you trying to contact me.   |                     |
|           | ØA                                      | 92G | Roger. You have air and ground clearance.   | Ack.                |
| 181055    | 7                                       |     | Maint Dem.  A. c/s 7  B. 3 x trousers size 31-35S   |                     |
|           |   |     | 2 x trousers size 31-35R<br>1 x shirt size 16<br>4 x pr socks medium<br>1 x towel large.  |                     |
|           |   |     | 1 x pr boots GP size 8-6 2 x blow-ups C. 181730H D. 191730H E. Piecart.   | Maint Dem made out. |
| 181100    | 7                                       | ØA  | Require 2 x 200 gal water bladders.   | Ack.                |
| 181310    | /7                                      |     | For Bluebell this location, part for 113:-  Item 1 - set of batteries  Item 2 - set of fan belts  Item 3 - adjustable pully complete. | Ack.                |
| 181320    | ØA                                      | 7   | Referance parts for 113. They will be on Piecart.   | Ack.                |
| 181520    | 7                                       |     | LCT Report - HELEN. A. 40,000 sq m B. Nil C. 3 D. Nil   | Ack.                |
| 181536    | 92G                                     | ØA  | Cannot do any more work as ram on D8 is unserviceable. Require new D8 or new ram.   | Ack.                |

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| 181540    | 92 <b>G</b> |     | MCT Report - DUC THANH.  A. 181530H Nov  B. Strip area and filled slot.  C. 2 x M16 mines.  D. 1 hr  E. 7 persons working.           | Ack.         |
| 181545    | ØA<br>92G   | f 2 | Referance unserviceable D8. Is machine OK or is it unserviceable.  Machine itself is OK but ram on blade keeps coming out every ½ hr | Ack.         |
| 181700    | 7           | ØA  | From Bluebell representive. Require 1 x bottle of oxygen on piecart.   |              |
|           | ØA          |     | Negative. Piecart left. Will send it in the morning.   | Ack.         |
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|           |      |     | PRE - PLANNED TASKS.  2 Troop to deploy 1 x ST with V Coy to RSSZ.  Plant Troop to deploy Mine Clearing Tank up Route 2.   |              |
| 190740    | ØA   | 92G | You have affirmative air clearance.  | Ack.         |
| 190830    | 92G  | ØA  | Check what time water truck will be in this location. We require it for lunch time. Also find out about D8, whether you have replacement parts or otherwise.                                       | Ack.         |
| 190840    | ØA   | 92G | Your Sunray will be in your location to make the dicision about the D8. No replacement parts are available. Other machine may be there.  | Ack.         |
| 190905    | 49   | ØA  | D8 Not being used for work. Sending members back to your location. Nothing can be done other than sending the D8 back to your location for repairs. Another D8 machine will be going out tomorrow. | Ack.         |
| 191520    | 7    | ØA  | LCT Report - HELEN. A. 40,000 sq m B. Nil C. 4 D. New NDP MELISSA was cut out today.   | Ack.         |
| 191945    | 7    | ØA  | Require on 21st this month. 45 gals of 30 engine oil.  |              |
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| 200740    | ØA          | 7   | Will you be in your new location for tonights piecart.                                    |              |
|           | 7           | ØA  | Affirmative.  | Ack.         |
| 200805    | 92G         | ØA  | Can 4 of us come back to your location and leave 2 members here.                          |              |
|           | ØA          | 92G | Alright with your Sunray.   | Ack.         |
| 200910    | 921         | ØA  | Will finish task in 90 minutes.   |              |
|           | ØA          | 92T | Are you at northern end about to go south.  |              |
|           | 92 <b>T</b> | ØA  | Affirmative.  | Ack.         |
| 201115    | 6B          | ØA  | Problem with 92T. Support axel bolt has come out. Inform Bluebell.                        |              |
|           | ØA          | 6B  | Was it the bolt that holds the main support axel.   |              |
|           | 6B          | ØA  | Affirmative.  | Ack.         |
| 201435    | 7           | ØA  | Can I order 500 gals dieso. Will you arrange vehicle to pick me up at Wombat at 1545 hrs. | Aok.         |
| 201437    | 7           | ØA  | LCT Report - MELISSA.  A. No land cleared today.  | Ack.         |
| 201815    | ØA          | 7   | Is it a female elbow you require and are there any other parts you need.                  |              |
|           | 7           | ØA  | We require a female elbow but no other parts.   |              |
|           | ØA          | 7   | Roger. We will have that part out on the first available piecart.                         | Ack.         |
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| 210915    | 7     | ØA | PRE - PLANNED TASKS.  No change.  From Bluebell representative, request the following items:- Engineer Book 638 Page 341,  Item 20 No 3H7-167 - Pin - Indent No. 5315-66-027-9932.  Page 345, Item No 27 No 3J65-88 - Pin -  20' x 2" x ½" angle iron.  1 x pr welding goggles  1" x 1" female elbow.  | Ack.         |
| 210945    | 7     | ØA | For ASM from Bluebell representative, 600 x 50 cal ammunition.   | Ack.         |
| 211520    | 7     | ØA | LCT Report - MELISSA  A. 45,000 sq m  B. Nil  C. 4  D. Work completed on bund. Land clearing commenced this afternoon.   | Ack.         |
| 211815    | 7     | ØA | Resupply for 23rd:- 1,000 gals dieso, 1,000 gals water and 1,000 gals of Mogas. There is 3 x empty extingueshers of CO2 being sent to your location to be replaced with 4.  For 25th:- Transmission oil filter, Hydrolic oil filter and engine oil filter for 250 hr service. Also require water truck with pump and service wagon. RV will be at 0900 hrs at YS 237776. |              |
| 212230    | ENTRY |    | SHOVELNOSE (Task Force).   |              |

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| 220743    | ØA   | 92G | You have affirmative air clearance.   | Ack.         |
| 220820    | 7    | ØA  | Referance fan for D8. Housing worn. Permission to remove fan and replace it and could we get it through you.  |              |
|           | ØA   | 7   | They are hard to come by.   |              |
|           | 7    | ØA  | Then could you order it.  |              |
|           | ØA   | 7   | Roger.  |              |
|           | 7    | ØA  | Also we require 2 bottles of battery acid. Send it on tonights piecart.   | Ack.         |
| 220835    | 92G  | ØA  | Despatch welder and 4" x 4" x 3" steel plate for 48B.   | Ack.         |
| 220845    | ØA   | 92G | Reference last. What type of welder do you require and what do you require it for.  | e            |
|           | 92G  | ØA  | Require arc welder and plate is for hole in armour of D8.   | Ack.         |
| 221515    | 7    | ØA  | LCT Report - MELISSA.  A. 60,000 sq m  B. Nil  C. 4  D. Nil.  | Ack.         |
| 221545    | 92G  | ØA  | MCT Report - DUC THANH.  A. 221545H Nov  B. Work - 3,000 sq m  C. 7 x M16 mines detonated  D. 2 hours down time for armour improvement on D8.  E. 7                                   | Ack.         |
| 221850    | 7    | ØA  | Located at YS315757, 2 x graves accidently uncovered by dozer blade.  Each contained a body wrapped in plastic. Estimated buried 3-4 weeks.   | Andr         |
| 221910    | ØA   | 7   | Flesh still intact although beginning to decompose.  Referance your late report. Require you not to bury bodies again as  Intelligence people will be out in morning to look at them. | Ack. Ack.    |

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| 230735              | 92G  | ØA  | Have we air clearance yet.  |                   |
|                     | ØA   | 92G | Negative.   | Ack.              |
| 230800              | 92G  | ØA  | Contact c/s 49 and tell him to come to this location as member has urgent personal problem.   | Contacted c/s 49. |
| 230920              | 7    | ØA  | When will Intelligence people be in this location.  |                   |
|                     | ØA   | 7   | Cannot locate him.  |                   |
| A THE SECOND SECOND | 7    | ØA  | Roger. Armour vehicle has broken down. Will be late at location.  |                   |
|                     | ØA   | 7   | Roger. Has Possum arrived yet.  |                   |
|                     | 7    | ØA  | Affirmative.  | Ack.              |
| 231055              | ØA   | 7   | Intelligence people will not be coming to your location.  | Ack.              |
| 231500              | 7    | ØA  | LCT Report - MELISSA.  A. 60,000 sq m  B. Nil  C. 4  D. Nil.  | Ack.              |
| 231555              | 92G  | ØA  | MCT Report - DUC THANH.  A. 231130 - 1545H Nov  B. 3,000 sq m  C. 5 x M16 mines.  D. Nil  E. 8 pers working.  | Ack.              |
| 231745              | 92G  | ØA  | Contact Bluebell. APC not charging. Require new alternator and spare battery. ASP in morning.   | Passed.           |
| 231815              | 7    | ØA  | From Bluebell, require:- 2 x toxtionbars 113, CO2 fire extinguishers, 1 x bottle of oxygen and 3 pieces of 2" arc mesh as big as possible that will fit on piecart. | Ack.              |

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|           |       |      | PRE - PLANNED TASKS.  3 Troop to deploy 3 x MT with Cav to the vicinity of BINH GIA.  Plant Troop to deploy D4 to BRIDGET for a 4 day task.               |                  |
| 240730    | ENTRY |      | Vietnamese on this frequency.   |                  |
| 240753    | ØA    | 92G  | From c/s 6. How do you know that it is alternator. Until we recieve proper message from you they are only sending batteries.                              |                  |
|           | 92G   | ØA   | We suspect it is the alternator because belts in question are tight and and batteries not charging. Could be voltage regulator but we suspect alternator. | Ack.             |
| 240755    | TA13  | ØA   | Maint Dem.  A. Holdfast.  B. 2 x hootchies  C. ASP  D. N/A  E. Piecart  F. MELISSA  G. 55R  H. TA13  I. N/A.  |                  |
|           | ØA    | TA13 | All Holdfast Maint Dem to go through c/s 7.   |                  |
|           | TA13  | ØA   | Roger. Did not know this.   | Ack.             |
| 240800    | 92G   | ØA   | For Bluebell. We require assistence with APC. We have electrical trouble and need them out here ASP.  | Passed to c/s 6. |
| 240817    | ØA    | 92G  | Your air clearance is cancelled. You have no air clearnace until 1030hrs.   |                  |
|           | 92G   | ØA   | Roger. Have you any word from Bluebell on my last.  |                  |
|           | ØA    | 92G  | Roger. They are on their way now.   | Ack.             |
| 241211    | ØA    | 7    | How many fire extinguishers have you on D8s and what type and serviceabili  | ty.              |
|           | 7     | ØA   | Reference your last. We have 2 on loan from c/s 4, 6 on D8s of which 3 are full, 1 is ½ full and 2 are empty.   | Ack.             |

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| 241305    | 92G  | ØA  | Can we have air clearance from 1400 hrs.  |              |
|           | ØA   | 92G | You have air clearance from now to 1730 hrs.  | Ack.         |
| 241501    | 7    | ØA  | LCT Report - MELISSA.  A. 50,000 sq m  B. Nil  C. 2   |              |
|           |      |     | D. 2 machines working only tomorrow. Sunray c/s7 will speak to Sunray Bluebell about machine that is unserviceable at 1730 hrs tonight.   | Ack.         |
| 241520    | 92G  | ØA  | For c/s 9. Concerning north western corner of minefield. Area north sector far east to west is swamp. No work possible. Can we move into rubber trees.  |              |
|           | ØA   | 92G | Sunray c/s 9 speaking. Finish for the day. I'll see about the other request.  | Ack.         |
| 241525    | 92G  | ØA  | MCT Report - DUC THANH. Nil return.   | Ack.         |
| 241545    | 7    | ØA  | For ASM from Bluebell, require the following parts on tonights piecart if possible:- Book of Engineers A638,  1. Page 35 Item No 3S2342 (2815-66-027-8826) Turbo-charger, one off.  2. Page 35 Item No5I8854 Serial 27(2910-00-994-7407) Seal, two off.  3. Page 36 Item 25 No 4I8337 (5330-00-074-3773) Seal, two off. | Ack.         |
| 241700    | 7    | ØA  | Amendment to LCT Report. Para C should be 1 instead of 2. Also Sunray not able to keep appointment with Sunray Bluebell.  | Ack.         |
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|           |       |     | PRE - PLANNED TASKS Workshops to undertake serviceing of LCT DSs. 2 x DS to return to NUI DAT for repairs.   |              |
| 250745    | 7     | ØA  | Will be arriving in 45 minutes. Want to see you (2IC) and Sunray Bluebell. Have vehicle waiting.   | Ack.         |
| 250752    | ØA    | 92G | You have affirmative air clearance.  | Ack.         |
| 250825    | 92G   | ØA  | Can you arrange to have fuel truck in our location this morning sometime.  | Ack.         |
| 250845    | 7     | ØA  | Require the following:- From Book of Engineering A638.  1. Page 163 Item 01 + No 287873 (2520-00-918-8076) Pump, 1 off.  2. Page 159 Item 4 No 288705 Tube, 1 off.  3. Page 159 Item 10 No 8M4992 (5330-00-914-5773) Seal, 2 off.  4. Page 154 Item 50 No 8M5248 (5330-00-913-8872) Seal, 1 off. | Ack.         |
| 250950    | 92G   | ØA  | Could you give me ETA of dieso truck and also we require 100 gals of Pot water.  | Ack.         |
| 250953    | ØA    | 92G | Referance request of water and dieso. Both trucks should arrive together later this morning.   | Ack.         |
| 251352    | 7     | ØA  | LCT Report - MELISSA.  A. Nil  B. Nil  C. Nil  D. Area that was started yesterday is now cleared. NDP HELEN rubbish tip filled in and minor dozing going on around the area.   | Ack.         |
| 251550    | 92G   | ØA  | MCT Report - DUC THANH. Nil return.  | Ack.         |
| 251 9110  | ENTRY |     | Vietnamese on this frequency.  |              |

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| 260840    | 92G  | ØA  | Have we air clearance yet.  |              |
|           | ØA   | 92G | Affirmative.  | Ack.         |
| 261130    | 92G  | ØA  | Pass to c/s 9. Northern end workable but won't be able to move much more laterite out. Southern end is all boggy. Will c/s9 be coming to  |              |
|           | ØA   | 020 | this location today.  Affirmative.  |              |
|           |      | 920 |   | Ack.         |
| 261545    | 92G  | ØA  | MCT Report - DUC THANH.  A. 261545H Nov  B. Completed southern section and remainder of Australian eastern side.  Established boundary of western side and completed 1 slot.  C. 1 x M16 mine  D. 2 hrs repairing scrub canopy. |              |
|           |      |     | E. 9  | Ack.         |
| 261615    | ØA   | 7   | Reference resupply. 1250 gals water and 500 gals mogas for tomorrow at 0800 hrs.  | Ack.         |
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|           |       |    | PRE - PLANNED TASKS.  Plant Troop to deploy D4 from HOA LONG Council to FSPB COOK to bund up for 161 Bty. |              |
| 270757    | 92G   | ØA | Am held up by the weather. Will not be able to work until 1200 hrs.                                       | Ack.         |
| 271430    | 92T   | ØA | Am leaving your location now.   | Ack.         |
| 271440    | 7     | ØA | LCT Report - MELISSA. A. 15,000 sq m B. Nil C. 1  |              |
|           |       |    | D. Nil.   | Ack.         |
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|           |           |           | PRE - PLANNED TASKS. No change.  |                     |
| 280800    | 92G<br>ØA | ØA<br>92G | Have we air clearance today.  Affirmative.   | Ack.                |
| 280845    | 7         | · ØA      | Maint Dem.  A. HOLDFAST  B. 2 x sets greens L/N E170 2 x sets greens L/N E152 2 x prs socks medium 1 x hand towel 1 x pr boots GP 8-6 2 x mine detector batteries.  C. ASP  D. N/A  E. Piecart  F. MELISSA |                     |
|           |           |           | G. 55R H. c/s TA13 I. 2 x sets greens trousers 2 x 27-31R 2 x 33-35R 2 x 29-31R 2 x 31-35R Shirts - 2 x 15½, 2 x 15, 2 x 16, 2 x 16½. 10 x socks medium 3 x towels large 2 x KFS set 1 x poncho            | Maint Dem made out. |
| 281315    | 92G       | ØA        | Maint Dem.  A. MCT  B. 8 x sets green trousers 27-31  8 x shirts 15 and 15½  16 x sets socks medium  8 x towels large  2 x sets ear protection   |                     |

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|           |             |    | 2 x shaving mirrors 2 x section cookers 12 x size 'D' batteries 6 x 25 set batteries 1 x camp stretcher.  C. Mon 30 Nov 70 D. N/A E. Vehicle F. This location G. N/A H. 92G I. Nil | Maint Dem made out. |
| 281316    | 92G         | ØA | Require 60 gals dieso tomorrow morning.  | Ack.                |
| 281405    | 92 <b>G</b> | ØA | Supplies required for fencing:- 5,500 yards barbed wire 450 x 6' star pickets 2 x dollies 2 x wire cutters 2 x pliers 3 x sets wiring gloves.                                      | Ack.                |
| 281450    | 92G         | ØA | Beer supplies - 16 x cans plus 2 blocks of ice.  | Ack.                |
| 281515    | 7           | ØA | LCT Report - MELISSA A. 20,000 sq m B. Nil C. 1 D. Nil   | Ack.                |
| 281545    | 92G         | ØA | MCT Report - DUC THANH.  A. 281545H Nov  B. 600 sq m of area cleared and 1 slot completed.  C. No mines detonated  D. Nil  E. 8 members working.                                   | Ack.                |

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|           |             |     | PRE - PLANNED TASKS Plant Troop's D4 returns from FSPB COOK tonight.   |              |
| 290735    | 92G         | ØA  | Have we air clearance.   |              |
|           | ØA          | 92G | Affirmative.   | Ack.         |
| 290935    | 92G         | ØA  | What time does our air clearance go to.  |              |
|           | ØA          | 92G | 1730 hrs.  | Ack.         |
| 291545    | 7           | ØA  | LCT Report - MELISSA.  A. 25,000 sq m  B. Nil  C. 1  D. Nil.   | Ack.         |
| 291610    | 92 <b>G</b> | ØA  | Service truck will be required in this location in morning. If it can't get here by 0930, have vehicle bring out 4 gals of OE10 oil.         | Ack.         |
| 291620    | 92 <b>G</b> | ØA  | MCT Report - DUC THANH.  A. 291615H Nov  B. 5,000 sq m cleared, 2 slots completed.  C. 1 x M16 mine detonated.  D. Nil  E. 8.                | Ack.         |
| 291800    | 7           | ØA  | Reference resupply. 1,000 gals water and 500 gals mogas. Also when will next dozer be here.  | Ack.         |
| 291810    | ØA          | 7   | Reference dozer. Don't know when you will get mext one as unable to contact Bluebell to see how repairs are going. Should be a while though. | Ack.         |
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|           |      |     | PRE - PLANNED TASKS. No change.   |                |
| 300805    | 92G  | ØA  | My senior plant operator at this location had 2 x flack jackets taken from dozer during the night. Cannot work without them. Sunray this location is looking for them now. If unsuccessful can you supply more.   |                |
|           | ØA   | 92G | Roger. Will let you know.   | Ack.           |
| 300920    | 92G  | ØA  | Possum just flew over dozer clearing minefield.   |                |
|           | ØA   | 92G | Did you get number.   |                |
|           | 92G  | ØA  | Negative.   |                |
|           | ØA   | 92G | Roger. Will contact people concerned.   | Ack.           |
| 301035    | 77   | ØA  | For ASM from Bluebell.  1 x marking pencil.  20' x 1 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> " x <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> " angle iron.  Book of Engineers A638.  Page 17 Item 3 No 2M7157 1 off.  Page 63 Item 13 No 4S8409 (6685-00-998-7784) indicator 1 off. | Passed to ASM. |
| 301140    | 92G  | ØA  | For Sunray: A. Doubtful, boulders and bananas. B. Approximately 3 months, depending on digging. C. Not suitalbe. Suggest FSPB 300 metres to south.  |                |
|           | ØA   | 92G | Roger. Will contact Sunray and let him know.  | Ack.           |
| 301150    | ØA   | 92G | Reference your last. Sunray will speak with you later. Return to old location.  |                |
|           | 92G  | ØA  | Roger. Am returning now.  | Ack.           |
| 301431    | ØA = | 59  | Reference Out Board Motor. Message just recieved requires petrol pump complete, also A frame that attaches starting motor to block. Please advise.  |                |
|           | 59   | ØA  | Roger. On way back to that location and will investigate and advise ASP.  | Ack.           |

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| 301527    | 7    | ØA | ICT Report - MELISSA.  A. 15,000 sq m  B. Nil  C. 1  D. 2 hrs spent welding this morning.   | Ack.         |
| 301546    | 92G  | ØA | MCT Report - DUC THANH.  A. 301545H Nov  B. 3,000 sq m  C. 2 x M16 mines detonated.  D. Service time 30 mins.  E. 8  Also require water tomorrow and for c/s 92, have not recieved todays beer and ice rations. | Ack.         |
| 301800    | 7    | ØA | For ASM from Bluebell.  Item 1. 40' x ½" rod.  Item 2. 1 x bottle oxygen.  Can we have on tomorrows piecart.  | Ack.         |
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