

**1 April 1969**

1/35th

*Submitted by:* Dave Fogg

3rd Bde 4th Inf Div Bn  
(1/35) Forward Fire Base  
LZ English 102694

Unit Locations:

A 1/35 LZ Bobbie ZA066735  
B 1/35 (-) ZA037717  
C 1/35 (-) LZ English 102694  
C Co 2nd Plt LZ Bobbie  
D 1/35 (-) ZA017714  
Recon ZA027673  
4.2 mortar plt ZA027673

Summary: Log opened at 0001 hours 1 April 1969. Unit locations: At LZ English 102694; Battalion Headquarters (Forward), C Company (-); A Company at Bobbie ZA066735; B Company (-) ZA037717; D Company (-) ZA017714; Recon ZA027673; 4.2 mortar ZA027673; CSF company size element ZA050701; At LZ Oasis; Headquarters and Headquarters Company Support (S-4 Forward): At Base Camp (Camp Enari); Battalion Headquarters (Rear).

At 1613 hours 1 Apr 69 LZ English received incoming rounds: 3 rounds the type unknown and possibly 2 AK-47s. At 1640 hours on 1 Apr 69 U.S. Forward Observer with CSF camp informs us that tanks are firing on them. He contacted 1/69 and their higher echelon to recon instructed them by fire as they went through the area where contact was made which was about 1 weeks ago. Forward observer reports negative casualties. He informed tanks and armor to let us know when he reaches LZ Bobby. We will keep a radio on the tank push; also Bn CO informed tanks and armor of all friendly locations. On 1 Apr 69 at 2054 hours the recon platoon reports that when 1/35th was receiving incoming rounds they were monitoring the air ground push and heard some VC/NVA speaking and swore they heard the word fire used several times. They also reported at 2054 hours that they were monitoring the air ground push and heard VC/NVA whispering. At 1751 hours on 1 Apr 69 D Company reported as its 52A element was moving the hook was fired on by AK-47s and possible automatic weapons 20 degrees and 300 meters away. They are currently firing Redleg.

0005 hours (C) To Bde: B Co 3rd plt will be going to Rock Quarry; D Co 3rd plt will go to Old Plei Djereng.

1132 hours (C) Bde to Bn: B Co 3rd platoon is now OPCON to 1/10 Cavalry.

1330 hours (C) To Bde S-3 from Bn S-3: Request airlift to move men of C/1/35th from LZ English to ZA017713. Request to move 22 men of C/1/35th from LZ Bobbie to ZA017713. We can concurrently move 90 men D/1/35th from ZA017713 to LZ English tomorrow.

1542 hours (C) D Co 52A element is located at ZA016772 and reports they hear movement at their objective location which is ZA015724. They are going to pull back a couple of hundred meters and employ Redleg.

1613 hours (C) LZ English is receiving incoming rounds: 3 rounds type unknown and possibly 2 AK-47s.

1640 hours (C) U.S. Forward Observer with CSF informs us that tanks are firing on them. He contacted 1/69 and they were instructed by their higher to recon by fire as they went through the area where contact was made about 1 weeks ago. Forward Observer reports negative casualties, informed Tank armor to let us know when he reaches LZ Bobby. Then we will keep a radio on the tank push. Also Bn CO informed tank armor of all friendly locations.

2054 hours (C) Recon platoon reports that when 1/35 was receiving incoming rounds they were monitoring the air ground push and heard some VC/NVA speaking and swore they heard the word fire used several times. They also reported at 2054 hours they were monitoring the air ground push and heard the VC/NVA whispering.

2055 hours (U) DELAYED ENTRY- 1 Apr 69 at 1738 hours a message from recon S-2 and Co line number 97 said that the line number was a WIA and became a KIA at 1045 hours. This was confirmed.

2066 hours (U) DELAYED ENTRY- 1 Apr 69 at 7151 hours D Co reported as its 52A element was moving the hook was fired on by AK-47s and possible automatic weapons 20 degrees and 300 meters. They are currently firing Redleg.

1754 hours (C) B Co reports hook receiving 2 bursts of AK-47 fire. It was 3 to 20 degrees radius and 3 kilometers away. There were a total of 20 rounds.

2146 hours (U) DELAYED ENTRY- 1 Apr 69 at 1820 hours D Co reports its 52A element SRP saw movement of unknown size and force to their north. They are employing M-79 fire and are adjusting Artillery on the area.

## **2 April 1969**

1/35th

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(1/35) Forward Fire Base  
LZ English 102694

Unit Locations:

CP 1/35th LZ English

A 1/35 (-) LZ Bobbie ZA066735

B 1/35 (-) ZA037717

B Co 2nd plt Plei Djereng  
C 1/35 (-) LZ English 102694  
C Co 2nd Plt LZ Bobbie  
D 1/35 (-) ZA017714  
D Co 3rd plt Rock Quarry  
Recon ZA027673  
4.2 mortar plt ZA070699

Summary: Log opened at 0001 hours 2 April 1969. Unit locations: At LZ English 102694; Battalion Headquarters (Forward), C Company (-); A Company (-) at Bobbie ZA066735; B Company (-) ZA037717; D Company (-) ZA017714; Recon ZA027673; 4.2 mortar ZA027673; CSF company size element ZA070699; At LZ Oasis; Headquarters and Headquarters Company Support (S-4 Forward): At Base Camp (Camp Enari); Battalion Headquarters (Rear).

At 0010 hours on 2 Apr 69 S-3 1/35th in reference to item #77 reported the following message to Brigade: There were negative findings on the sweep and negative damage. One man was injured in his leg while running to his bunker and his line number is 85 on the March Roster from C Company. The suspected rounds (3) were 82mm and the suspected enemy location was in the vicinity of ZA090670. At 1010 hours on 2 Apr 69 C Co reports a NVA position at ZA080715 with 3 foxholes, 1 mortar position possibly 60mm. The foxhole was 2 to 3 weeks old. S-3 air told 4.2 mortar to tear down and be ready to move this afternoon completely. They will send the rigging gear.

1010 hours (C) C Co reports NVA position at ZA080715. There were 3 foxholes, 1 mortar position, which were possibly 60mm distance and 2 to 3 weeks old. S-3 air told 4.2 mortar platoon to tear down and be ready to move this afternoon, completely. We will send the rigging gear.

1015 hours (C) B Co's dog handler says his dog ran head on into a deer and hurt his leg. He would like a replacement.

1105 hours (C) CSF at ZA069687 took small arms and an M-79 from ZA053674 and saw one friendly WIA who fled west.

1715 hours (C) To TOC from B Co: 8 C-rations per man. All weapons have been inspected except the 1st platoon which had 122 rounds of 81mm HE, 3 rounds of illuminations and received 5 bags of mail and A rations. The plans are to continue to do what I have been doing. Inform the S-2 that there is no definite evidence that there are VC/NVA in the area but we are picking up sandal tracks and there is nothing definite.

1821 hours (C) D Co requested a Dust-Off for a man who had a back injury when a tree fell on him. Line #136 April roster.

### **3 April 1969**

1/35th

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3rd Bde 4th Inf Div Bn  
(1/35) Forward Fire Base  
LZ English 102694

Unit Locations:

A 1/35 (-) ZA061733  
B 1/35 (-) ZA037717  
B Co 1st plt Old Plei Djereng  
C 1/35 (-) LZ English 102694  
D 1/35 (-) ZA017714  
D Co 3rd plt Rock Quarry  
Recon ZA027673  
4.2 mortar plt ZA070699  
CSF 1st Co is at ZA084694

Summary: Log opened at 0001 hours 3 April 1969. Unit locations: At LZ English 102694; Battalion Headquarters (Forward), A Company at grid (-) ZA061733; B Company (-) at grid ZA037717; C Company (-) at LZ English; D Company at ZA017714; Recon ZA027673; 4.2 mortar ZA027673; CSF company at grid ZA084694; At LZ Oasis; Headquarters and Headquarters Company Support (S-4 Forward): At Base Camp (Camp Enari); Battalion Headquarters (Rear).

No significant activities occurred in the area of operations during the reporting period.

0726 hours (C) D Co reports that they will be ready for CA at 0800 hours.

1655 hours (C) To TOC from B Co: 52 with command post location is unchanged. 53 will move to vicinity ZA040714 and look for the Bushmaster location. There are 6 C-rations per man. The mortar platoon has night firing programs and maximum rounds of 36. Weapons have been inspected and are safe. We received 2 cases of claymore's today also hot meals, mail and other resupplies. We had church services today and would like to get the Chaplain out if it is possible. We would like line #67, 174 of March roster reassigned to HHC. Line #67 has MOS of 31B and 174 has had malaria 3 times, therefore, S-2 would like to have him.

2010 hours (C) From S-3 air to 4.2 and Recon: 4.2 platoon extracted at 041000 hours to a new location at ZA049608 in hooks. Recon platoon was extracted after 4.2 in slicks to same LZ as the 4.2 was.

2145 hours (C) From S-3 to C Co CO: You will be moved out to ZA048608 for a search and destroy operation. Move south to Hill 984 and sweep east to the bottom of valley and then turn north along blue line the following day. A Co will be going south along the same blue line. Have your company ready for lift off at 0800 hours. You will be at the LZ after Artillery and gunships prepare. You will move south and secure a LZ to drop 4.2, Recon plt at ZA048606.

**4 April 1969**

1/35th

Submitted by: Dave Fogg

3rd Bde 4th Inf Div Bn  
(1/35) Forward Fire Base  
LZ English 102694

Unit Locations:

CP 1/35th LZ English  
A 1/35 ZA053725  
B 1/35 ZA037717  
B Co 1st plt Plei Djereng  
C 1/35 ZA017712  
D 1/35 LZ English  
D Co 3rd plt Rock Quarry  
Recon ZA027673  
CSF Co is at ZA140698

Summary: Log opened at 0001 hours 4 April 1969. Unit locations: At LZ English 102694; Battalion Headquarters (Forward), A Company at ZA053725; B Company at ZA037717; C Company at ZA017712; D Company at LZ English; E Company at ZA027673; CSF Company at ZA140698; At LZ Oasis; Headquarters and Headquarters Company Support (S-4 Forward): At Base Camp (Camp Enari); Battalion Headquarters (Rear).

On 4 Apr 69 at 0824 hours D Company found 75 Recoilless Rifle canisters, 20 foxholes, all 1 to 2 weeks old. AT0937 hours on 4 Apr 69 D Company reports a readout at ZA093693 and found 5 new foxholes (1 week old), 15 old foxholes (1 month old), 2 foxholes 10 feet by 2 feet for recoilless purposes and the rest of the foxholes were 3 feet by 2 feet. Also 16-75 RR rounds were expended 1 week ago. 50-75 RR rounds were expended 1 month ago. At 1341 hours on 4 Apr 69 A Company sent in an M-16 Rifle serial number 528336 which was found on LZ Bobbie.

0824 hours (C) D Co found 75 Recoilless Rifle canisters, 20 foxholes and all were 1 2 weeks old.

0910 hours (U) DELAYED ENTRY On 4 Apr 69 at 0857 hours C Co is the first pick up zone.

0905 hours (C) Preparations have been finished.

0907 hours (C) C Co first LZ and the LZ is cold.

0937 hours (C) D Co reports a readout at ZA093693 and found 5 new foxholes (1 week old), 15 foxholes (1 month old), 2 foxholes 10 feet by 2 feet for Recoilless purposes, rest of foxholes were 3 feet by 2 feet, 16-75 RR expended 1 week ago, 50-75 RR expended 1 month ago.

1702 hours (C) B Co reports their 52 element at ZA035714 spotted 2 VC/NVA. They are going to employ artillery and light organics.

1708 hours (C) Reference to item #48: B Co says it turned out to be monkeys.

1900 hours (C) A Co reports that they have no food.

2140 hours (C) To Toc from C Co: We have a fire moving toward our location. We are trying to build a fire lane. But if this doesn't work, we will have to move. S-3 says make sure you have all your people with you if you have to move out and police up all ammo.

## **5 April 1969**

1/35th

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3rd Bde 4th Inf Div Bn  
(1/35) Forward Fire Base  
LZ English 102694

### Unit Locations:

1/35th CP was at LZ English II

A 1/35 ZA047707

B 1/35 (-) ZA037717

B Co 1st plt Old Plei Djereng

C 1/35 ZA048606

D 1/35 (-) LZ English II

D Co 3rd plt Rock Quarry

E Co ZA027673

CSF 9 Plei Mrong

Summary: Log opened at 0001 hours 5 April 1969. Unit locations: At LZ English 102694; Battalion Headquarters (Forward), 1/35th command post was at LZ English II; B Company (-) was at grid ZA037717; C Company was at grid ZA048606; D Company was at LZ English II; E Company was at grid ZA027673; CSF Company was at grid ZA151708; At LZ Oasis; Headquarters and Headquarters Company Support (S-4 Forward): At Base Camp (Camp Enari); Battalion Headquarters (Rear).

At 0951 hours 5 Apr 69 B Company reports they found at 039711 a dead VC/NVA in a grave and also a Chinese Communist grenade. The body was estimated to be 1 month old and his death was caused by small arms. At 1435 hours on 5 Apr 69 A Company's Forward Observer spotted 2 VC/NVA getting water at 060700. The CO went to investigate and there turned out to be 12 Montagnards. He sent a platoon to police them up and found out what they were doing. S-3 requested that they be policed up. At 1756 hours on 5 Apr 69 B Company reports the 53rd element ran into a trail heading south. They found 4 packs at ZA039707 and upon hearing movement went to high ground. They spotted 2 VC/NVA (040707), opened up fire on them and thought they killed one. They employed artillery and organics as a blocking force. VC/NVA headed into a gully. The element was getting fire from 3 sides. As a result there was 1 friendly WIA line #163 of the March roster. He was wounded in his right side. At 1840 hours on 5 Apr 69 A Company reports 01 Bushmaster moving toward its night location and running into a VC/NVA at ZA048705. The short range patrol opened up fire on him and

he was confirmed as a KIA. This WIA wore a green shirt, loincloth, 1 pistol belt, 3 magazines full of US M-26 rounds. He was running west to east. At 1925 hours 5 Apr 69 B Company reports VC/NVA were wearing gray shorts and short sleeve shirts, carrying AK-47s and no web gear, no hats, no sandals.

0951 hours (C) B Co reports at 039711 that they found a dead VC/NVA in a grave and also 1 Chinese Communist grenade. VC/NVA was estimated 1 month being dead and his death was from small arms of another in khaki shirt, pants.

1756 hours (C) B Co reports the 53 element ran into a trail heading south. They found 4 packs at ZA039707. The element heard movement and went to high ground. They spotted 2 VC/NVA (040707) and thought they killed one. They employed Artillery and used organics as a blocking force. VC/NVA headed north into a gully. They received fire from 3 sides. One WIA line #163 March roster had a bullet in his right side.

1830 hours (C) B Co reports sending a reinforced platoon to 53 location to evacuate WIA and reinforce the element.

1840 hours (C) A Co reports 01 Bushmaster moving toward night location and they ran into a VC/NVA at ZA048705. Short Range Patrol opened fire on him. He was a confirmed KIA.

1845 hours (C) B Co 52 element linked up with the 53 element and requested a Dust-Off.

1850 hours (C) B Co will bring WIA back from 52 element. 53 element will stay and sweep area tomorrow. They want emergency resupply tonight or early tomorrow.

2006 hours (C) Dust-Off 36 is on station.

2040 hours (C) Dust-Off is complete.

2145 hours (C) To C Co from Bn CO: Move your element southwest from your present location to ZA053623. As an intermediate objective search the high ground at ZA059629. Have your 3d platoon move southeast down the creek to link up with you at ZA053623. As an intermediate objective have the 53 element search the area of the stream junction at ZA048624. To B Co from Bn CO: Search the area of your contact this evening with your entire element tomorrow morning. You have first priority on resupply. Be prepared to move to vicinity ZA045695 on order. Make a recommendation to Bn S-3 no later than 1200 hours whether to move to above location or not. To A Co from Bn CO: Have your ambush patrol search the area of their evening's contact at first sign of light. Make a recommendation to Bn S-3 no later than 1000 hours on moving to ZA060698 or remaining in present area.

## **6 April 1969**

1/35th

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3rd Bde 4th Inf Div Bn

(1/35) Forward Fire Base

LZ English 102694

Unit Locations:

1/35th CP was at LZ English II

A 1/35 (-) ZA049702

B 1/35 (-) ZA0388711

B Co 1st plt Old Plei Djereng

C 1/35 ZA065631

D 1/35 (-) LZ English

D Co 3rd plt Rock Quarry

E Co ZA027673

CSF Co ZA145703

Summary: Log opened at 0001 hours 6 April 1969. Unit locations: At LZ English 102694; Battalion Headquarters (Forward), A Company (-) grid ZA409702; B Company (-) at grid ZA038711; C Company at grid ZA065637; D Company (-) at LZ English; E Company at grid ZA027673; CSF Company at grid ZA145708; At LZ Oasis; Headquarters and Headquarters Company Support (S-4 Forward): At Base Camp (Camp Enari); Battalion Headquarters (Rear).

6 Apr 69 at 0745 hours the contents of rucksacks at location ZA039706 were: Rice, dried fish, protective mask (cloth), clothes, hammock, 2 K.S. poncho halves, 1 US flashlight, 1 Chinese Communist flashlight (BA-30s US world type and some other type unknown), mess gear, pair of Ho Chi Minh slicks, 3 US maps- sheet 6637 IV, sheet 6638 III, 6536 joined together (sheet 6536 had Duc Co written on it and also writing on map GI L971), mosquito net US type and 30 rounds of AK. At 0850 hours on 6 Apr 69 B Companys 2nd and 3rd platoon found 2 AKs at ZA039706. One of the rifles was a Chinese AK with blood on it and the other a Russian type. Both had loaded magazines in them with 3 to 4 rounds. B Company 3d platoon is organizing a sweep in the area. At 1342 hours 6 Apr 69 A Company reports that they are in contact at ZA056688 and the lead element spotted 4 VC/NVA in the open 30 feet away wearing tiger fatigues and carrying weapons. The company fired on them and they fled in an unknown direction. A Company is maneuvering to surround them. At 1421 hours on 6 Apr 69 A Company further readout and spotted by the 52 element were 4 VC/NVA on the east side of the blue line. They engaged them and the enemy fled across the stream and south. The element saw 2 more on the east side of the blue line and they were believed to have fled northeast. At 1530 hours on 6 Apr 69 A Company found one M-1 carbine (6503384), 1 M-16 (873858), 1 Montagnard tops for women, 1 GI fatigue jacket, 1 khaki shirt, 1 tiger fatigue jacket, 1 pair shorts, 1 GI fatigue trouser, 1 GI T-shirt, 1 claymore bag with eating utensils in it, 2 sheets of plastic from 81mm containers, 1 hammock, 12 M-79 rounds, 1 GI aluminum canteen, 1 GI plastic canteen, 1 pair of Ho Chi Minh sandals, 4 tablets OPIUM compound, 4 unknown tablets, 1 tube of ointment, 2 gauze bandages, 1 had Russian writing on it, 1 aid bag, 1 tourniquet, 1 pistol belt with harness, 1 ammo pouch, portion of a book in English. On 6 Apr 69 at 1609 hours A Company found an enemy killed by an M-16 at the contact grid. The victim turned out to be a VC Montagnard.

0745 hours (C) Readout on 4 Rucksacks: Location at ZA039706 and contents were: Rice, dried fish, protective mask (cloth), clothes, hammock, 2 K.S. poncho half, 1 US flashlight, 1 Chinese Communist



flashlight (BA-30s US world type and some unknown), mess gear, pair of Ho Chi Minh slicks, 3 U.S. maps sheet 6637 IV and sheet 6638 III and 6536 (?). there was Duc Co in writing on map GI L971 and also found were 1 mosquito net U.S. type, 30 AK rounds.

0906 hours (U) DELAYED ENTRY On 6 Apr 69 at 0850 hours B Co 2nd platoon and 3d platoon have linked up. They also found 2 AKs at ZA039706, 1 Chinese AK with blood on it and the other a Russian type. Both had loaded magazines in them with 3 to 4 rounds. B Co 3d platoon is organizing a sweep in that area.

0900 hours (C) A Co SRP 02 ZA056702 found what they believe to be a NVA graveyard which had 4 corners marked with graves inside. Bn S-3 informed them to dig up some but be extremely careful.

1342 hours (C) A Co reports they are in contact at ZA056688. A co the lead element spotted 4 VC/NVA in the open about 30 feet away wearing tiger fatigues and carrying weapons. A co fired on them and they fled in an unknown direction. A Co is maneuvering to surround them.

1400 hours (C) A Co reports they spotted 1 weapon in the open and they are trying to rundown the individuals who fled.

1421 hours (C) A Co further readout: 52 element spotted 4 VC/NVA on the east side of the blue line. They engaged them and the enemy fled across the stream and south. Th Co saw 2 more on the east side eof the blue line and those were believed to have fled northeast. The element is now checking the area.

1543 hours (C) B Co found 5 graves at ZA041710 and they dug up all 5 and found a body in each grave. The bodies were 3 months old and they were almost completely deteriorated, positively identified as VC/NVA bodies.

1550 hours (C) A Co reports 1 friendly WIA line #57 April roster. An M-79 (?) fragment was in his left arm while he was lying down using suppressive fire.

1551 hours (U) DELAYED ENTRY ON 6 Apr 69 at 1530 hours A Co reports finding: One M-1 carbine (6503384), 1 M-16 (878858), 1 Montagnard dress, 2 Montagnard tops for women, 1 GI fatigue jacket, 1 khaki shirt, 1 tiger fatigue jacket, 1 pair of shorts, 1 GI fatigue trouser, 1 GI T-shirt, 1 claymore bag with eating utensils in it, 3 sheets of plastic from 81mm containers, 1 hammock, 12 M-79 rounds, 1 GI aluminum canteen, 1 GI plastic canteen, 1 pair Ho Chi Minh sandals, 4 tablets of OPIUM compound, 4 unknown tablets, 1 tube of ointment which had Chinese writing on it, 1 aid bag homemade with a tube, 1 tourniquet homemade, 1 pistol belt with harness, 1 ammo pouch and portion of a book in English (part 4 of Misty Mountain).

1621 hours (U) DELAYED ENTRY On 6 Apr 69 at 1609 hours A Co found a blood trail and followed it to a body. The enemy fond was killed by an M-16 at contact grid. There was negative equipment and clothes and he was a VC Montagnard.

1625 hours (C) C Co reports: A bird came out with package mail, which we requested not to bring

out. So we put the package mail back on the chopper and the mailbag fell out at approximately 2 to 3 clicks from our location enroute back to LZ English.

1830 hours (C) Bn S-3 air to Bde S-3 air: At about 1600 hours Blackjack 579 lost a bag of mail from his chopper. Answer: I will report it to his control. I want 1 CC LOH all day and one resupply bird to start at about 1000 hours. Answer: OK one LOH first thing, 1 slick at about 1000 hours for resupply.

2225 hours (C) From Bn XO to C Cos clerk: Check to see if Cpt Abel signed the unit orders assuming command of C Co. If not type up immediately: Major I.G. deficiency and acknowledgement required.

## **7 April 1969**

1/35th

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3rd Bde 4th Inf Div Bn  
(1/35) Forward Fire Base  
LZ English 102694

### Unit Locations:

1/35th CP LZ English ZA102694

A 1/35 ZA060690

B 1/35 (-) ZA0427101

B Co 1st plt Old Plei Djereng

C 1/35 ZA060627

D 1/35 (-) LZ English 102694

D Co 3rd plt Rock Quarry

E Co ZA027673

CSF Co 137718

Summary: Log opened at 0001 hours 7 April 1969. Unit locations: At LZ English 102694; Battalion Headquarters (Forward), D Company; A Company at grid 060690; B Company at 042710; C Company at ZA060627; E Company at ZA027673; CSF Company at 137718; At LZ Oasis; Headquarters and Headquarters Company Support (S-4 Forward): At Base Camp (Camp Enari); Battalion Headquarters (Rear).

At 1000 hours 7 Apr 69 D Company 51 element 51 at 055638 found an estimated squad size night location which had 3 foxholes 4 feet wide and 3 feet deep. Overhead cover of logs and dirt was 1 foot thick and there were also 3 holes inside of the cliff about 3 feet deep in the cliff. The last use was unknown At 1026 hours 7 April 69 at grid 044708 6 feet from the river in the area of 2 feet square the following items were found: 1 rucksack with 2 AK magazines and pouches with 11 rounds in them. 1 pistol belt with 3 cloth container attached, 1 rice bowl, 1 ground shirt, 1 VC/NVA poncho, 1 B-40 Rocket cardboard booster containing tooth paste (A palate of dental cream), 1 US Bottle of serum of which had cotton in it and smelled like it was soaked in kerosene, 1 spoon, 1 bar of soap, 1 pair long pants (gray), 1 small cloth hand towel, 2 gray shirts. The are of the above mentioned equipment was unknown. All items expect the AK Rounds and magazines were buried. At 1528 hours 7 Apr 69 A

Company reported the following message to TOC: At 068628 2 VC/NVA were spotted in green moving west to east and they heard movement earlier and smelled marijuana being used by the VC/NVA. At 1555 hours 7 Apr 69 the following message was reported to Brigade from the 1/35th: At 1528 hours location 068688 A Company spotted 2 VC/NVA wearing green moving west to east, 100 meters away. No shot were exchanged. On 7 Apr 69 at 0710 hours Specials Forces sent the following message to 1/35th: At ZA125715 Special Forces in Plei Mrong had contact with an estimated squad of VMC. Results: 1 VMC was killed in action and one M-16 rifle was found with the serial number of 835613.

0325 hours (C) Bde wants to know general grid where the mail bag fell out coming from C Co's log yesterday morning in reference item #67, 6 April 69. The general grid was given as ZA071645.

0735 hours (C) To A Company: Search area of contact and work on north side of blueline and east and west on flat ground.

0937 hours (C) Cpt. Scott is going back out to the location where the mail was lost for another look no luck yet at 0945 hours.

0950 hours (C) Cpt. Scott coming back in and reports no luck on finding mail that was lost.

1000 hours (C) C Company and 51 element are at 055638 and found an estimated squad size night location, which had 3 foxholes 4 ft wide and 3 feet deep. Overhead cover of logs and dirt was 1 foot thick. They also found 3 holes inside of the cliff about 3 feet deep in the cliff and the last use was unknown.

1105 hours (U) DELAYED ENTRY- At 1026 hours 7 Apr 69 at grid 044708 6 feet from the river in the area of a 2 foot square; found 1 rucksack with 2 AK magazines, pouches with 11 rounds in it, 1 pistol belt with 3 cloth containers attached, 1 rice bowl, 1 ground shirt, 1 VC/NVA poncho, 1 B-40 rocket cardboard booster containing tooth paste (A palate of dental cream), 1 US bottle of serum which had cotton in it and smelled like kerosene (cotton soaked), 1 spoon, 1 bar of soap, 1 pair of long pants (gray), 1 small cloth hand towel, 2 gray shirts, age of the above mentioned equipment was unknown. They will bury all items but the AK rounds and magazines.

1340 hours (C) From Cpt. Scott to B Company Cross river and set up an LZ and also a night location. Also have 1 platoon set up another night location.

1528 hours (C) A Company to TOC At 068688 A Company spotted 2 VC/NVA 140 degrees and 150 meters in the green moving west to east. They heard movement earlier and smelled marijuana.

1555 hours (C) To Brigade from 1/35th: At 1528 hours at 068688 A Company spotted 2 VC/NVA wearing green, moving west to east 100 meters away. No shots were exchanged. A Company is now moving to engage the enemy and is now using Artillery as a blocking force.

1825 hours (C) B Company to TOC 53 element hears S/A fire 215 degrees 1000 meters.

1827 hours (U) DELAYED ENTRY- On 7 Apr 69 at 1810 hours ZA125715 Special Forces at Plei Mrong had contact with estimated squad of VMC. As a result 1 VMC was killed in action and 1 M-16 serial #835613 was found.

## **8 April 1969**

1/35th

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3rd Bde 4th Inf Div Bn  
(1/35) Forward Fire Base  
LZ English 102694

### Unit Locations:

A 1/35 ZA067690

B 1/35 (-) ZA048701

B Co 1st plt Old Plei Djereng

C 1/35 (-) ZA065662

D 1/35 (-) LZ English 102694

D Co 3rd plt Rock Quarry

E Co ZA027673

CSF Co 135704

Summary: Log opened at 0001 hours 8 April 1969. Unit locations: At LZ English 102694; Battalion Headquarters (Forward), D Company; A Company at grid ZA067690; B Company (-) at ZA048701; C Company (-) at ZA065662; E Company at ZA027673; CSF location at Plei Mrong (135662); At LZ Oasis; Headquarters and Headquarters Company Support (S-4 Forward): At Base Camp (Camp Enari); Battalion Headquarters (Rear).

8 April 69 at 0915 hours at 065672 C Company spotted an individual in brown khakis about 50 meters to their east. He fled south and C Company found his web gear, which had: US type canteen, VC/NVA poncho, M-16 bayonet, some personal gear (no papers). Company did not observe a weapon. 8 April at 0908 hours A Company 51 element at 067685 while moving west down a finger spotted 1 individual 25 meters to their front wearing tiger fatigues and GI web gear. They were not sure about a weapon and the individual spotted the element and fled toward the river. 51 element is trying to flush him out at this time. At 1003 hours 8 Apr 69 D Company reports their 52B element heard small arms fire which sounded like carbines on an azimuth of 140 degrees and 300 meters from their location which is in the woodline southeast of LZ English. They checked with Special Forces and they have no people in this area and have not been firing weapons. At 1025 hours on 8 Apr 69 A Company reports line #16 April roster was wounded this morning by frags from an M-79 while reconing by fire. The individual was wounded in his upper left thigh. At 1325 hours 8 Apr 69 Battalion S-3 Air reports to Brigade: We request to have C Company blow the equipment they found rather than get a bird to pick up the items? Ans. Bde says we can blow those items as long as we have an accurate account. At 1335 hours 8 Apr 69 permission was granted to blow the B-40s and Chinese Communist grenades found by C Company as long as the times have been counted and the number turned into Brigade. Captain Smith informed C Company of this fact that they will blow the

equipment in place. At 1420 hours on 8 Apr 69 the read out on C Company reported: At 1129 hours C Company at 062672 spotted 1 VC/NVA with NVA fatigues and weapon. They fired the M-79 at him and he fled north. C Company pursued him and also found a bunker complex but had negative findings on the VC/NVA. They found the following items in bunkers (30 bunkers 4 x 3 and 15 bunkers with overhead cover consisting of logs and dirt 1 foot thick with fighting positions and sleeping compartments) (Bunkers were last used 1 to 2 days ago and had an estimated age of 6 months) 5 B-40 Rockets, 8 boosters for B-40, 2 small Chinese Communist grenades, 4 medium and 8 large grenades of the same type, 20 rounds ammunition carbine type, 8 C-4 type demolitions, 1 pair wire cutters, 1 pick head, 5 shovels, 4 NVA helmets, 3 rucksacks, 2 40 round clips of AK type, 6 loose AK rounds, 100 pounds of rice, fatigues, Ho Chi Minh sandals, poncho, pills. At 1425 hours 8 Apr 69 C Company reports they are going to blow up bunkers before we move out and will blow Chinese Communist grenades. Inform all birds before they go to that location. At 1515 hours 8 Apr 69 C company reported to TOC: 51 and 52 elements have found more rucksacks and will give a full report when they close the command post at estimated time of arrival of 20 minutes. At 1550 8 Apr 69 C Company reported to TOC: We have found 5 more packs, additional bunkers, papers with writing on them. We request a bird to get these items out. At 1735 hours 8 Apr 69 the following message was sent to Brigade from 1/35: We are sending rucksacks on the first bird, and have an itemized list, documents. Good conduct certificates identifying C-17, K-37 sapper Battalion. Wounded man had 1 biography and 1 part of letter to home. At 2005 hours 8 Apr 69 1/35 relayed to Brigade: That we had received an intelligence report of enemy movement from villages grid 068710 and the mission of this NVA force will be to attack Plei Te vicinity (2/35 B Co location). At 1500 hours we received a message from the 23rd ARVN Rangers said they had contact with 4 VC at grid 132606 wounded two and captured the following equipment; 20 kilos of rice, 70 pair of pajamas, 20 sticks of TNT 6 Chinese Communist grenades, 2 bandoleers of AK-47 ammunition, 2 bandoleers of machinegun ammunition.

0802 hours (C) Reference to the M-16 A Company lost: Their 4138 is to write a report on this and A Company will check on this too.

1001 hours (U) DELAYED ENTRY On 8 Apr 69 at 0915 hours a message from C company reported spotted an individual at 065672 wearing brown khakis about 50 meters to there east. Individual fled south and C Company found his web gear US type canteen, VC/NVA poncho, M-16 bayonet, some personal gear with no papers. No weapon observation.

1002 hours (U) DELAYED ENTRY From A Company. On 8 Apr 69 at 0908 hours 51 element at 067685 while moving west down finger spotted 1 individual 25 meters to their front wearing tiger fatigues and GI web gear. The company was not sure about weapon. Individual spotted the 51 element and fled toward the river and the element was trying to flush him out at this time.

1025 hours (C) A Company repots line #16 April roster was wounded this morning by frags from M-79 whole reconing by fire and wounded his upper left thigh.

1420 hours (C) Readout on C Company: At 1129 hours C Company at 062672 spotted one VC/NVA with NVA fatigues and weapon and they fired M-79 at him, he fled north and C Company pursued. They found a bunker and had negative findings on the VC/NVA. 30 bunkers (4 x 3) were found and there were 15 with overhead cover consisting of logs and dirt 1 foot thick with fighting positions and

sleeping compartments. The bunkers were last used 1 to 2 days ago and estimated age was 6 months old. The following items were found: 5 B-40 Rockets, 8 boosters for B-40 Rockets, 2 small Chinese Communist grenades, 4 medium Chinese Communist grenades and 8 large Chinese Communist grenades, 20 rounds of ammo carbine type, 8 large block of C-4 demolition, 1 pair of wire cutters, 1 pick head, 5 shovels, 4 NVA helmets, 3 rucksacks, 2 40 rounds clips of the AK type, 6 loose AK rounds, 100 pounds of rice, fatigues, Ho Chi Minh sandals, poncho, pills.

1515 hours (C) C Company to TOC: 51 and 52 elements found more rucksacks will give full report when they close Command post (estimated time of arrival 20 minutes).

1609 hours (C) B Company to 1/35: Present location 045688. Bamboo hooch at 047686 and we are employing heavy organics.

1735 hours (C) To Brigade from 1/35: Sending rucksacks on first bird, we have itemized list, also documents. Good conduct certificates identifying C-17, K-37 sapper Battalion. Man that was wounded kept a biography and part of a letter home.

2055 hours (C) 1/35 to Brigade: Agent received from Special Forces at Plei Mrong. At 1830 an estimated platoon of VMC composed of guerillas (No Montagnards) from villages in the vicinity of 068710, Plei Bok Blei (080717), Plei Touan (088720) and Plei Boo (105724). The mission of this guerilla element is to guard an M|NVA unit moving west to east. The guerilla element is already in the vicinity of 075758 and will also set up a second guard located in the vicinity of 069781. There are six bamboo boards (bridge) in the vicinity of 065775 (suspected crossing by foot). The NVA element is to cross the Ya Krong Bolah tonight, coming from the west and will locate in the vicinity of ZA1475. Their mission will be to mortar possible attack in the vicinity of Plei Te (B 2/35 please relay to 2nd Bde and 3rd Bde will give an acknowledgement in return).

081500 (C) Forward observer with 23rd ARVN Rangers said they had contact with 4 VC at grid 132606. They said they wounded 2 and were negative captured in action. They captured: 20 kilos of rice, 70 pair of pajamas, 20 stick of TNT, 6 Chinese Communist grenades, 2 bandoleers of AK-47 ammunition, 2 bandoleers of machine gun ammunition.

## **9 April 1969**

1/35th

*Submitted by:* Dave Fogg

3rd Bde 4th Inf Div Bn  
(1/35) Forward Fire Base  
LZ English 102694

Unit Locations:

Command Post 1/35th LZ English

A 1/35 ZA060691

B 1/35 (-) ZA045688

B Co 1st plt Old Plei Djereng

C 1/35 (-) ZA063666  
D 1/35 (-) LZ English 102694  
D Co 3rd plt Rock Quarry  
E Co ZA027673  
CSF Co 127706

Summary: Log opened at 0001 hours 9 April 1969. Unit locations: At LZ English 102694; Battalion Headquarters (Forward), D Company; A Company ZA060691; B Company (-) ZA045688; C Company (-) ZA063666; E Company at ZA027673; CSF location 127706; At LZ Oasis; Headquarters and Headquarters Company Support (S-4 Forward): At Base Camp (Camp Enari); Battalion Headquarters (Rear).

0156 hours (U) DELAYED ENTRY-0130 hours 9 Apr 69- At 0130 hours Recon reported movement approximately 180 meters to their north vicinity grid ZA027674, sounded like someone on the wire on the perimeter, they will employ light organics.

0945 hours (C) Brigade S-3 informs us that the Commanding General desires more short-range patrols and ambushes around LZ English and more will be out tonight.

0955 hours (C) In reference to entry #31 We will comply on message and also require that the 3d platoon of D Company securing the Rock Quarry be sent back to LZ English no later than 1600 hours today in order to provide more security for LZ English.

2200 hours (C) Planned Summary: A Company to Combat assault vicinity 017713. B Co continues to sweep from west to east along ridgeline ending up in vicinity 060690 and is to be prepared to walk to LZ English. C Co sweeps south to north 086691 then sweeps south. D Co retains the security for LZ English and is to be prepared for combat assault. E Co is to remain the same location as a direct support to our element.

2159 hours (C) Nagger 0 to 1/35: VIP will be out here 12 Apr at 1430 hours to give Bronze Star to Line #129 April roster D Co.

2200 hours (C) B Co 531 element had movement 25 meters west moving north to south over saddle. They have thrown fragments and are waiting now for further movement.

## **10 April 1969**

1/35th

*Submitted by:* Dave Fogg

3rd Bde 4th Inf Div  
Bn (1/35) Forward Fire Base  
LZ English 102694

Unit Locations:  
Command Post 1/35th LZ English

A 1/35 (-) ZA068691  
B 1/35 (-) ZA053679  
B Co 1st plt Old Plei Djereng  
C 1/35 (-) ZA057677  
D 1/35 (-) LZ English 102694  
D Co 3rd plt Rock Quarry  
E Co ZA027673  
CSF Co 135705

Summary: Log opened at 0001 hours 10 April 1969. Unit locations: At LZ English 102694; Battalion Headquarters (Forward), D Company; A Company (-) ZA068691; B Company (-) ZA053679; C Company (-) ZA057677; E Company at ZA027673; Special Forces Co 135705; At LZ Oasis; Headquarters and Headquarters Company Support (S-4 Forward): At Base Camp (Camp Enari); Battalion Headquarters (Rear).

At 1140 hours 10 Apr 69 B Company reported a lost M-16 serial #959550 in the area of 050682. At 1215 hours 10 Apr 69 A Company 51 element found 6 bunkers with overhead cover (logs and dirt about 4 to 6 inches thick, holes were rectangular). They also found cooked rice in one hole and this amount was enough for 3 to 4 people. Rice was about 3 days old. At 1245 hours 10 Apr 69 C Company 52 element located at 060683 has found 20 75 Recoilless Rifle Canisters all rusty and real old. The location looked like a US type base about 3 or 4 months old. C-rations cans were lying around about 30 bunkers and sandbags were lying near the bunkers. At 1330 hours 10 Apr 69 B company 53 element found the M-16 previously mentioned at location 050682 on route to B Company location at this time. At 1656 hours 10 Apr 69 CSF spotted an enemy in an open area at 122718. At 1755 hours on 10 Apr 69 CSF Company reports they found 1 rucksack, 1 NVA head and a blood trail after Artillery was employed on grid 122718. C Company found 6 destroyed bunkers, some fresh shrapnel, 2 blood trails, some recently cooked rice and a bamboo bridge. There was a suspected squad of NVA operation in this area 065688 to 063688.

1110 hours (C) B Co has 5 enlisted men at this location that have very bad bee stings. We would like to have them taken to LZ English to be treated.

1045 hours (C) S-3 to Bde: (1) In reference to convoy we cannot a different answer at this time. (2) In reference to combat assault of yesterday, we would like it at 0800 hours or no later than 1500 hours 11 April. Plan to combat assault A Co from approximately 065695 with 112 packs to 017713. Plan to combat assault D Co from LZ English with 88 packs from here and 34 packs from Rock Quarry to 009659 provided we get platoon from Rock Quarry. Plan to have B Company walk into LZ English and assume security of LZ English.

1140 hours (C) B Co: I want to send the following line numbers to be evacuated for bee stings and heat exhaustion. Refer to April roster and nos 2, 29, 134, 109, 56, 86, 142, medic last name starts with (H) and ends with (D). Also want to report a lost M-16 serial #959550 lost in the area where bees were.

1215 hours (C) A Co 51 element found 6 bunkers with overhead cover (log and dirt about 4-6 thick),



holes were rectangular and also found cooked rice in one hole. Rice was about 3 days old and enough to feed 3 to 4 people.

1245 hours (C) C Co 52 element located 060683 has found 20 to 75 Recoilless Rifle Canisters all rusty, real old. Location looks like a US type base about 3 or 4 months old. C-rations cans were lying around about 30 old bunkers and sandbags were lying around near the bunkers.

1330 hours (C) B Co 53 element found a weapon at location 050682 on route to B Co location at this time.

1545 hours (C) C Co EM broke his leg 200 meters to the north of their night location, request a bird to evacuate him, from the S-3 to C Co: Will send a resupply bird.

1656 hours (C) From the CSF to TOC: CSF spotted the enemy in the open at grid 122718.

1755 hours (C) CSF reported they found 1 rucksack, 1 NVA head and a blood trail after Artillery was employed on grid 122718.

1805 hours (C) C Co found 6 destroyed bunkers, some fresh shrapnel, 2 blood trails some recently cooked rice and a bamboo bridge. There was a suspected squad of NVA operating in this area 065688, 063688.

2050 hours (C) To Bde from 1/35th: Plans Summary: A Co will make a combat assault to vicinity 017713. B co will move from night location walking to LZ English. C Co will continue to cordon and search to the south. D Co will combat assault to vicinity 008654. E Co will be a direct support to our element.

**11 April 1969**

1/35th

*Submitted by:* Dave Fogg

3rd Bde 4th Inf Div

Bn (1/35) Forward Fire Base

LZ English 102694

Unit Locations:

Command Post 1/35th LZ English

A 1/35 (-) ZA060695

B 1/35 (-) ZA066679

B Co 1st plt Old Plei Djereng

C 1/35 (-) ZA069666

D 1/35 (-) LZ English 102694

D Co 3rd plt Rock Quarry

E Co ZA027673

CSF Co 108712

Summary: Log opened at 0001 hours 11 April 1969. Unit locations: At LZ English 102694; Battalion Headquarters (Forward), D Company; A Company ZA102694; B Company ZA066679; C Company ZA069666; E Company at ZA027673; CSF Company Co ZA108712; At LZ Oasis; Headquarters and Headquarters Company Support (S-4 Forward): At Base Camp (Camp Enari); Battalion Headquarters (Rear).

At 0715 hours C Company 03 element found 5 bunkers last use was unknown. They were NVA type with overhead cover consisting of logs and dirt 1-2 feet thick. These were 2 man bunkers and there was also a 5th bunker not complete, just out of the line of hole location ZA062698 (3 X 6 x 4). At 0939 hours 11 Apr 69 S-3 passed to Brigade a reference entry to item #37: On air strike, we want the air strike on grid YA986687 on suspected bunker and trail complex. At 1047 hours 11 Apr 69 A Company informs us that there 52 element has reached their proposed location of ZA015616 and have found a back part of a 122 Rocket. They said it was very old. At 1545 hours 11 Apr 69 A Company reported to 1/35th: 06 element found numerous Ho Chi Minh sandal tracks at proposed night location of ZA021702 and will employ artillery then move in. At 1634 hours 11 Apr A Company had a further reading on the 06 element findings: Tracks were coming up Hill 972 from north heading south. The tracks were fresh and many. At 1600 hours 11 Apr 69 B Company found ZA098680 16 expended 75mm Recoilless Rounds which were cold and muddy, also found 4 bunkers (2 highway roads, 1 was 25 meters to southwest, 1 was 75 meters to northeast and roads were on a 120 degree azimuth to Plei Mrong). At ZA057683 30 earthenware crocks were found which were very old and rotted. Also found was partially destroyed hooch.

0715 hours (C) A Co 03 found 4 bunkers last use was unknown. They were NVA type with overhead cover consisting of logs and dirt 1 to 2 feet thick. They were 2 man bunkers. There was a 5th bunker not complete just out of the line of hole at 062698 (3 x 6 x 4).

0811 hours (C) 1st pick up zone for A Co from 059695.

0823 hours (C) 1st landing zone A Co to 017713 (cold LZ).

0935 hours (C) 1st pick up zone for D Company from LZ English.

0949 hours (C) 1st LZ for D Co to LZ Terry cold LZ

1024 hours (C) Landing zone complete for D Co to landing zone Terry at ZA008654.

1149 hours (C) Present locations of all elements: A Co at ZA017713, A Company 53 element at ZA018707, 52 element at ZA015717. B Co is at LZ English. C Co is moving southwest to LZ Tango and D Co is moving to LZ Terry. D Co 51 element is moving south. From all elements sitrep negative reports the Recon platoon reports sitrep negative and the LPs are still in their night locations.

1545 hours (C) A Co to 1/35 06 element found numerous Ho Chi Minh sandal tracks at proposed night location (ZA021702) and will employ Artillery then move in.

1634 hours (C) A Co further reading on 06 element findings tracks were coming up Hill 972 from north heading south and tracks were fresh and many.

1811 hours (U) DELAYED ENTRY 11 Apr 69 at 1600 hours B Co found ZA098680 16 expended 75mm Recoilless Rifle Rounds cold and muddy, also found 4 bunkers (2 by roads, 1-25 meters to southwest, 1 was 75 meters to northeast). Roads were on 120 degrees azimuth to Plei Mrong at ZA057693. Also found 30 earthenware crocks very old also very old and rotted partially destroyed hooch.

2114 hours (U) DELAYED ENTRY 11 Apr 69 at 2050 hrs. From Bn S-3 to Bde S-3: On the 14th companies will be ready to be extracted if it is desired sooner we would like to know. According to 63 the 14th meets in with plans for a move; will be probably a noon day move; also will probably be air move to LZ English then convoy to Oasis; hopefully a 3 to 4 day standown. Have you a feel for what will happen to Bn probably Bn TOC at Oasis, maybe with elements operating north of Rock Quarry and Ton An but nothing definite, will send letter 1- 69 Armor to you tomorrow. We will like to meet with you at my location tomorrow if I find anything out.

## **12 April 1969**

1/35th

*Submitted by:* Dave Fogg

3rd Bde 4th Inf Div

Bn (1/35) Forward Fire Base

LZ English 102694

Unit Locations:

A 1/35 (-) ZA017713

B 1/35 LZ English  
C 1/35 ZA043656  
D 1/35 LZ Terry ZA008654  
E Co ZA027673  
Plei Mrong CSF Co ZA099722

Summary: Log opened at 0001 hours 12 April 1969. Unit locations: At LZ English 102694; Battalion Headquarters (Forward), A Company ZA017713; B Company LZ English; C Company ZA043656; D Company LZ Terry ZA008654; E Company at ZA027673; CSF Company Co ZA099722; At LZ Oasis; Headquarters and Headquarters Company Support (S-4 Forward): At Base Camp (Camp Enari); Battalion Headquarters (Rear).

At 0743 hours 12 Apr 69 52 element of A Company located at ZA015717 hears small arms and automatic weapons at 340 degrees azimuth at 2 to 4 kilometers from their location. They answered and could not tell type and heard rounds for a minute or so. At 1913 hour 12 Apr 69 an agent reported that approximately 30 VMC located in the vicinity of ZA190600 were armed with one machinegun, 4 SKS, 1 B-40 and small arms. Their mission was to ambush between Highway 14 north and Plei Mrong. G-2 commented it was possible that this unit was part of zone 4 unit.

0743 hours (C) 52 element of A Co location ZA015717 hears small arms automatic weapons at 340 degrees azimuth t 2-3 kilometers from their location. Answer: Cannot tell type, heard rounds for a minute of so.

1350 hours (C) From Recon and 4.2 mortar platoon: We are getting CS gas from the northwest. Why? The wind is blowing it from where the hook dropped it.

1358 hours (C) From Recon to TOC: We are getting CS from the northwest and it is not real bad but annoying.

1420 hours (C) S-3 to Bde: CS has wiped out E Co and Battalion command post.

1431 hours (C) S-3 to D Co: Be prepared to move to LZ Tango for extraction.

1920 hours (U) DELAYED ENTRY 12 Apr 69 at 1913 hours from Bde to S-2: Agent reported on 10 Apr that approximately 30 VMC locations in vicinity ZA190600. They were armed with one light machinegun, 4 SKS, 1 B-40 and small arms. Mission: To ambush between Hwy 14 and Plei Mrong. G-2 comments it is possible that this unit is part of the zone 4 unit.

1937 hours (C) A Co is at ZA037712, requested Dust-Off tonight for man with possible broken ankle.

1940 hours (C) No Dust-Off tonight, he must wait and we will send one at first break of light.

2040 hours (C) From Bde S-3 to Bn S-3: We will have 15 2 1/2 ton trucks and 10 trailers with 2 Quad 50s at CP 40 at 0930 hours. We will have LOH and gunships 2phs will be replaced on 14 April and will join us at Oasis. We can leave sandbags and barbwire if CSF at Plei Mrong needs them. If they

don't we have to take them. In either case no tops will be on bunkers birds have been laid on for tomorrow.

2320 hours (C) From CSM to Bn CO: We have been given permission to use Mars station for 3 consecutive days; starting date yet unknown; still working on mobile aspects.

**13 April 1969**

1/35th

*Submitted by:* Dave Fogg

3rd Bde 4th Inf Div  
Bn (1/35) Forward Fire Base  
LZ English 102694

Unit Locations:

A 1/35 ZA037712  
B 1/35 LZ English  
C 1/35 ZA043656  
D 1/35 ZA015675  
E Co ZA027673  
Plei Mrong CSF Co ZA082712

Summary: Log opened at 0001 hours 13 April 1969. Unit locations: At LZ English 102694; Battalion Headquarters (Forward), A Company ZA037712; B Company LZ English; C Company ZA043656; D Company ZA015675; E Company at ZA027673; CSF Company Co ZA082712; At LZ Oasis; Headquarters and Headquarters Company Support (S-4 Forward): At Base Camp (Camp Enari); Battalion Headquarters (Rear).

At 0915 hours Bn S-3 reported the following message to TOC in reference to roadblock: Popular Forces are clearing roadblock consisting of trees and some 105 casings stuck in the ground across the road, also some VC propoganda on stakes that were stuck along the side of the road.

1541 hours (C) D Cos present location is ZA043682 and requests Dust-Off for a man suffering from heat stroke.

1810 hours (C) D Co ZA049685 has man with a sprained ankle and A Co has a negative sitrep.

2225 hours (C) From Bde S-3 to 1/35 S-3: We recommend extra precaution against an ambush on 14 April, in view of VC roadblock and propoganda leaflets. Consider placing infantry platoon along strong point along convoy route.

**14 April 1969**

1/35th

*Submitted by:* Dave Fogg

3rd Bde 4th Inf Div

Bn (1/35) Forward Fire Base  
LZ English 102694

Unit Locations:

A 1/35 (-) ZA078706

B 1/35 LZ English

C 1/35 ZA064677

D 1/35 ZA052695

E Co ZA052695

4.2 mortars at LZ Oasis

Plei Mrong CSF Co ZA099711

Summary: Log opened at 0001 hours 14 April 1969. Unit locations: At LZ English 102694; Battalion Headquarters (Forward), A Company (-) ZA078706; B Company LZ English; C Company (-) ZA064677; D Company ZA052695; E Company at ZA052695; CSF Company Co ZA099711; At LZ Oasis; Headquarters and Headquarters Company Support (S-4 Forward): At Base Camp (Camp Enari); Battalion Headquarters (Rear).

No significant activities occurred in the area of operation during this period.

1250 hours (C) C Co is moving out form LZ English on convoy.

1308 hours (C) A Co is leaving LZ English on convoy.

1345 hours (C) D Co is leaving LZ English on convoy.

1408 hours (C) Artillery is leaving LZ English on convoy along with the recon platoon.

1345 hours (C) B Co and HHC CP are leaving LZ English on convoy and LZ English is closed at this time.

1804 hours (C) 1/35th has closed LZ Oasis.

1841 hours (C) We received permission to leave Bde net for stand down and we are leaving Bde push at this time.

1842 hours (C) Bde net has been closed down for the stand down.

**15 April 1969**

1/35th

*Submitted by:* Dave Fogg

3rd Bde 4th Inf Div Bn  
(1/35) Forward Fire Base  
LZ Oasis ZA119278

Unit Locations:

A 1/35 LZ Oasis  
B 1/35 LZ Oasis  
C 1/35 LZ Oasis  
D 1/35 LZ Oasis  
Recon LZ Oasis  
4.2 mortars at LZ Oasis  
1/35 Command Post LZ Oasis

Summary: Log opened at 0001 hours 15 April 1969. Unit locations: At LZ Oasis ZA119278; Battalion Headquarters (Forward), 1/35 command post and companies A, B, C, D, E and Recon and 4.2 mortar platoons are at LZ Oasis grid ZA119278; Headquarters and Headquarters Company Support (S-4 Forward) at LZ Oasis; At Base Camp (Camp Enari); Battalion Headquarters (Rear).

No significant activities occurred in the area of operation during this period.

0935 hours (C) In reference to Mars calls, we need a list of names from each Co by 1000 hours.

**16 April 1969**

1/35th

*Submitted by:* Dave Fogg

3rd Bde 4th Inf Div Bn  
(1/35) Forward Fire Base  
LZ Oasis ZA119278

Unit Locations:

A 1/35 LZ Oasis  
B 1/35 LZ Oasis  
C 1/35 LZ Oasis  
D 1/35 LZ Oasis  
Recon LZ Oasis  
4.2 mortars at LZ Oasis  
1/35 Command Post LZ Oasis

Summary: Log opened at 0001 hours 16 April 1969. Unit locations: At LZ Oasis ZA119278; Battalion Headquarters (Forward), 1/35 command post and companies A, B, C, D, E and Recon and 4.2 mortar platoons are at LZ Oasis grid ZA119278; Headquarters and Headquarters Company Support (S-4 Forward) at LZ Oasis; At Base Camp (Camp Enari); Battalion Headquarters (Rear).

No significant activities occurred in the area of operation during this period.

1700 hours (C) From Colonel Bruenther to Colonel English: USO show will be held tomorrow and the time is unknown as of yet.

1740 hours (C) USO Show will arrive here approximately 1000 hours and we will need a 5-kilowatt generator.

**17 April 1969**

1/35th

*Submitted by:* Dave Fogg

3rd Bde 4th Inf Div Bn  
(1/35) Forward Fire Base  
LZ Oasis ZA119278

Unit Locations:

A 1/35 LZ Oasis

B 1/35 LZ Oasis

C 1/35 LZ Oasis

D 1/35 LZ Oasis

Recon LZ Oasis

4.2 mortars at LZ Oasis

1/35 Command Post LZ Oasis

Summary: Log opened at 0001 hours 17 April 1969. Unit locations: At LZ Oasis ZA119278; Battalion Headquarters (Forward), 1/35 command post and companies A, B, C, D, E and Recon and 4.2 mortar platoons are at LZ Oasis grid ZA119278; Headquarters and Headquarters Company Support (S-4 Forward) at LZ Oasis; At Base Camp (Camp Enari); Battalion Headquarters (Rear).

No significant activities occurred in the area of operation during this period.

1612 hours (C) Bde S-3 from Bn S-3 air: D Co will Combat assault to ZA133443, Recon will Combat assault to ZA133443 and C Co will Combat assault to ZA070437.

2040 hours (C) From Bde S-3: Subject Cross Bow Operation TA 252/69 Daytime group 180600. The group is to search and clear. Duration is one day. The RF 106 Company has a Forward observer at grids ZA098630 east to 1236, south to 1233, west to ZA098330 to Ia Punh River to Star.

**18 April 1969**

1/35th

*Submitted by:* Dave Fogg

3rd Bde 4th Inf Div Bn  
(1/35) Forward Fire Base  
LZ Oasis ZA119278

Unit Locations:

A 1/35 LZ Oasis

B 1/35 LZ Oasis



C 1/35 LZ Oasis  
D 1/35 LZ Oasis  
Recon LZ Oasis  
4.2 mortars at LZ Oasis  
1/35 Command Post LZ Oasis

Summary: Log opened at 0001 hours 17 April 1969. Unit locations: At LZ Oasis ZA119278; Battalion Headquarters (Forward), 1/35 command post and companies A, B, C, D, E and Recon and 4.2 mortar platoons are at LZ Oasis grid ZA119278; Headquarters and Headquarters Company Support (S-4 Forward) at LZ Oasis; At Base Camp (Camp Enari); Battalion Headquarters (Rear).

At 2140 hours on 18 Apr 69 S-2 relayed the following message to TOC: A Montagnard detainee named KUK, a rice cadre, said he had been working for 2 months as a cadre. Cpt Knight thinks he has worked longer and is more hard core. KUK gives rice to SINH (another rice cadre) who is Vietnamese and speaks Montagnard. He has come to the village 4 times, 3 earlier times and one 3 days ago with an NVA Company. An NVA Company came to the village 3 days ago and SINH collected rice. # NVA with pistols gave a speech about growing more rice and corn. The NVA stayed 2 to 3 hours and come from the north and left to the south. The company had 5 B-40s, 4 mortars possibly 82mm, 4 heavy machine guns: M-24 and M-29. KUK also knew CHINH a member of the NVA Company. 1/0-KUK was his wife's name. KUK knew nothing of holes. A Military Intelligence team is needed tomorrow to further interrogate KUK. At 2357 hours on 18 Apr 69 KUK was questioned more and he said that the holes may have been dug by the VC but he did not see them and he was only guessing.

1113 hours (C) From B Co to TOC: We are moving out on convoy at this time.

1159 hours (C) From A Co to TOC: We are departing Oasis by convoy at this time.

1323 hours (C) From C Co to TOC: Company is ready on pad to be picked up but no birds have yet checked in.

1350 hours (C) From S-3 air to TOC: Birds for combat assault are 05 minutes out and there will be 4 of them.

1359 hours (C) From C Co to TOC: 1st pick up zone is for C Co.

1417 hours (C) C Co LZ is cold.

1426 hours (C) S-3 air to TOC: Someone possibly fired at birds 300 degrees azimuth and 800 to 900 meters due west and rounds landed approximately 300 meters from the pick up zone. The first B-40 rocket round landed on the pick up zone location pad.

1627 hours (C) Gunships spotted 8 VC/NVA west of the landing zone at approximately 117438. The gunships are expending at this time.

2132 hours (C) The following planned summary was: A Co is to move from present location north to vicinity of ZA100375 for search and clear operation. B Co is to move northeast to vicinity of ZA084374 for a search and clear operation. C Co is to move Southeast to vicinity of ZA086398 and conduct a cordon and search. D Co is to continue a search of Plei KU Tong and move southeast to Plei Xat Atau to conduct a cordon and search operation. The Recon platoon is to remain OPCON to D Co. 4.2 mortar platoon, C Battery 2/9 arty and 1/35th command post are to remain at the Oasis.

2157 hours (C) From Bde to S-2: Analysis of all intelligence incidents indicates the possibility of attack by fire in the next 48 hours. Targets indicated are Ben Het, Polei Kleng, Kontum, Pleiku, Plei Dejreng.

### **19 April 1969**

1/35th

*Submitted by:* Dave Fogg

3rd Bde 4th Inf Div Bn  
(1/35) Forward Fire Base  
LZ Oasis ZA119278

#### Unit Locations:

1/35 Command Post LZ Oasis

A 1/35 ZA086326

B 1/35 (-) ZA071327

C 1/35 ZA064420

D 1/35 ZA106438

Recon ZA106438

4.2 mortars at LZ Oasis

Summary: Log opened at 0001 hours 19 April 1969. Unit locations: At LZ Oasis grid ZA119278; Battalion Headquarters (Forward), A Company at ZA086326; B Company (-) at ZA071327; C Company at ZA064420; D Company and Recon platoon at ZA106438; 4.2 mortar platoon at LZ Oasis; Headquarters and Headquarters Company Support (S-4 Forward) at LZ Oasis; At Base Camp (Camp Enari); Battalion Headquarters (Rear).

At 1013 hours on 19 Apr 69 D Company checked out the village of Pleiku Tong and the village had a normal amount of rice but no exceptional amount. At 1344 hours on 19 Apr 69 A Company at ZA093348 reported to TOC when their dogs became alert and they found an area where 2 people have slept in the last 24 to 48 hours. They also found ashes from some papers that were burnt but were not able to salvage any paper. At 1346 hours on 19 Apr 69 A Company at ZA093348 spotted 1 enemy soldier wearing green fatigues and a red neckerchief and weapon. They were not sure of the weapon type and this enemy was about 10 meters to the north of them. The company opened fire and he fled north. The company is sweeping the area at this time. At 1442 hours on 19 Apr 69 A Company at ZA093348 reported receiving small arms fire and M-79 fire from the east. There was an estimated squad size VC and 1 WIA medic shot in the arm. At 1449 hours on 19 Apr 69 A Company reports the first indication of enemy vision as when they spotted one individual wearing a red scarf,

green fatigues and carrying an SKS or AK-47. They also saw an individual group across the blue line. At 1540 hours on 19 Apr 69 A Company 53 element found an RPG round and they will continue to sweep the area. At 1615 hours on 19 Apr 69 A Company finished the sweep and found 10 to 12 sleeping positions, 24 hours old in the area where the RPG round was found. At 1730 hours on 19 Apr 69 A Company 100 meters west of contact sight (092348) found sleeping positions (1 x 2 man and very old). They are moving out at this time. At 1756 hours on 19 Apr 69 S-2 reported to TOC that the search started 190730 and ended 191130. They located 33 houses and 44 rice hoochs when they cordoned the village of Pleiku Tong at 190730 starting time.

1450 hours A Co reports WIA wounded in three places in left arm from M-79 fragments. His name is Moser, Dennis Medic Hq Roster line #170 Apr.

## **20 April 1969**

1/35th

*Submitted by:* Dave Fogg

3rd Bde 4th Inf Div Bn  
(1/35) Forward Fire Base  
LZ Oasis ZA114275

### Unit Locations:

1/35 Command Post LZ Oasis

A 1/35 ZA091348

B 1/35 ZA084377

C 1/35 ZA087398

D 1/35 ZA122412

Recon ZA100435

4.2 mortars at LZ Oasis

Summary: Log opened at 0001 hours 20 April 1969. Unit locations: At LZ Oasis grid ZA114275; Battalion Headquarters (Forward), CP 1/35th At LZ Oasis; A Company at grid ZA091348; B Company at grid ZA084377; C Company at grid ZA087398; D Company at grid ZA122412; Recon platoon at grid ZA100345; 4.2 mortar platoon at LZ Oasis; Headquarters and Headquarters Company Support (S-4 Forward) at LZ Oasis; At Base Camp (Camp Enari); Battalion Headquarters (Rear).

At 0730 hours on 20 Apr 69 A Co found 2 bunkers with 2 overhead cover located 300meters north of the night location. The size was 4 x 3 x 8 and they were about 2 weeks old. At 1123 hours on 20 Apr 69 A Company 53 element had movement and fired an M-79 round at the movement 50 meters away resulting in one enlisted man #123 receiving a piece of shrapnel in his right wrist. He does not have to be evacuated. On 20 Apr 69 at 0759 hours A Company at ZA088357 found 68 bunkers with overhead cover of logs and dirt 3 to 4 feet thick. They also found 2 storage bunkers 5 x 8 x 5 empty, 4 82mm Mortar rounds, 2 82mm fuses, 1 B-40 Rocket neg. launcher, 38 AK rounds in a pouch, 1 US type smoke grenade, 1 VC/NVA type first aid pouch, 24 documents. A Company requested permission to blow all ammo found, rocket and mortar rounds. Bde says they can blow all ammo but bring back the first aid pouch and documents. At 1330 hours on 20 Apr 69 A Company at ZA092367 was taken

under fire by 4 to 5 individuals. They were not sure of the type of fire and had negative casualties. At 1335 hours A Company broke contact and searched the area at that time. At 1438 hours on 20 Apr 69 A Company at ZA093368 found 2 B-40 rounds, 1 pack, 2 sandbags, 10 pounds of rice, one bag of rice VC/NVA type and 1 pair of blue civilian pants, also of poncho and 1 canteen cup. At 1530 hours on 20 Apr 69 A Company at ZA093368 spotted one VC/NVA to the east 100 meters away. They employed small arms and M-79 fire. On 20 Apr 69 at 1629 hours A Company made a reference to the finding of the bunker complex. They were from 2 to 3 months old and used within the last 48 hours. At 1705 hours on 20 Apr 69 A Company received 2 to 3 rounds of sniper fire. They believed it to come from the east a long way out. The rounds were high and fired at the Company's location ZA093368. Reference to item #47: At 1758 hours on 20 Apr 69 there was 30 pounds of rice in the pack and that was counting 2 sandbags and one VC/NVA bag. Sweep of that area was completed at 1530 hours.

0823 hours (C) From D Co to TOC: Recon has linked up with D Co and they are at the village of Plei Poo Grang location ZA121411.

0835 hours (C) A Co reports hearing small arms fire at ZA099349 and saw a LOH overhead. They said he may have received ground to air fire.

0838 hours (C) Aloha 04 reports receiving ground to air fire coming back to Oasis with 2 people from B Co.

1005 hours (C) From Bde S-3: We want to send gunships out to ZA0999349 where the LOH received ground to air fire. S-3 says its clear to fire along as the coordinate is with A Co.

2024 hours (C) Plan Summary: A Co plans to CA from present location to ZA160396. B Co plans to continue to search and clear east. C Co plans to move and cordon and search village of Plei Poo Jal and to search and clear to 154410 southeast after leaving villages. D Co plans to cordon and search village ZA169400 and continue search and clear to the southeast.

2134 hours (C) S-3 to A Co: You will be air lifted tomorrow to vicinity of ZA160406 and then you will move to ZA164390, after that move to Bn assembly area. We require you to be in night location LZ at 0800 hours and also 2 ships at the LZ.

**21 April 1969**

1/35th

*Submitted by:* Dave Fogg

3rd Bde 4th Inf Div Bn  
(1/35) Forward Fire Base  
LZ Oasis ZA114275

Unit Locations:

1/35 Command Post LZ Oasis

A 1/35 ZA094374

B 1/35 ZA144395

C 1/35 ZA154410

D 1/35 ZA169400

Recon ZA169400

4.2 mortars at LZ Oasis

Summary: Log opened at 0001 hours 21 April 1969. Unit locations: At LZ Oasis grid ZA114275; Battalion Headquarters (Forward), 1/35th CP at LZ Oasis; A Company at grid ZA094374; B Company CP at grid ZA144395; C Company at grid ZA154410; D Company and Recon platoon at grid ZA169400; 4.2 mortar platoon at LZ Oasis; Headquarters and Headquarters Company Support (S-4 Forward) at LZ Oasis; At Base Camp (Camp Enari); Battalion Headquarters (Rear).

At 0829 hours on 21 Apr 69 C Company reports they think they received 6 rounds of AK fire from the village and they would like to recon around the village by fire. S-3 says they can send an element to check out the area where they think the small arms fire came from, but not to shoot in or around the village and C Company. At 0725 hours on 21 Apr 69 D company says they have searched out the rice hooches outside of the village and had negative findings. At 0805 hours on 21 Apr 69 C Company said that they found 6 AK rounds 200 meters northeast of the village located at ZA152412. At 1915 hours on 21 Apr 69 Bn S-2 reports the following message to Bn CO: An agent report from Thanh Anh says an NVA Bn commanded by Vu Van Vinh in dark brown uniform, armed with 3 (three) 81mm mortars, 1 (one) 60mm mortar and individual weapons was at this location with the mission to attack Plei Ring De resettlement center at an unknown time. (The source was Plei Ku committee) and there was a negative rating on this source.

0620 hours (C) B Co reports hearing automatic weapons fire from northeast at 1000 meters.

1056 hours (C) PZ is complete for A Co from ZA094371.

1100 hours (C) LZ is complete for A Co at ZA154410.

1430 hours (C) Recon is in position with B Co 51.

**22 April 1969**

1/35th

*Submitted by:* Dave Fogg

3rd Bde 4th Inf Div Bn  
(1/35) Forward Fire Base  
LZ Oasis ZA114275

Unit Locations: OPORD 2-69

Summary: Log opened at 0001 hours 22 April 1969. Unit locations: At LZ Oasis grid ZA114275; Battalion Headquarters (Forward), Company locations are listed in OPORD 2-69; Headquarters and Headquarters Company Support (S-4 Forward) at LZ Oasis; At Base Camp (Camp Enari); Battalion Headquarters (Rear).

At 0915 hours on 22 Apr 69 1/10 reported hearing small arms fire about 10 rounds (unknown) to their west. They checked with A and B Co and both said they heard same small arms fire but it was to their west 1000 to 1500 meters, At 2003 hours on 22 Apr 69 D Company reports receiving incoming mortars; 81mm, 82mm. There were 16 rounds total. Azimuth from D Company 52 element was 80 degrees, from C Company CP 60 degrees, from 77 element 200 degrees and A Company azimuth at 230 degrees. At 2015 hours 22 Apr 69 incoming mortars have stopped, the total was 16 rounds and the closest one was 100 meters outside the perimeter. They were estimated to be 81mm or 82mm. At 2030 hours on 22 Apr 69 Bde LNO reports Plei ring De was firing mortars. Thanh An had cleared it but have a check fire. At 2109 hours on 22 Apr 69 Recon reports they employed two (2) frags and movement has stopped.

0400 hours (C) Crossed phase line green.

0610 hours (C) B Co has linked up with 2/35th.

0615 hours (C) A Co has linked up with B Co.

0630 hours (C) D Co has radio contact with 2/35th.

0655 hours (C) A Co has linked up with C Co.

0747 hours (C) A Co 1st platoon has linked up with B Co 1st platoon and they have visual contact of the area.

1356 hours (U) DELAYED ENTRY On 22 Apr at 1140 hours Bde wanted to know how we were going to employ 2/35 element.

**23 April 1969**

1/35th

*Submitted by:* Dave Fogg

3rd Bde 4th Inf Div Bn  
(1/35) Forward Fire Base  
LZ Oasis ZA114275

Unit Locations:

1/35 CP LZ Oasis  
A Co CP ZA180354  
B Co CP ZA175345  
C Co CP ZA189349  
D Co CP ZA191355  
Recon Co ZA189359  
4.2 mortar platoon LZ Oasis

Summary: Log opened at 0001 hours 23 April 1969. Unit locations: At LZ Oasis grid ZA114275; Battalion Headquarters (Forward), A Company at grid ZA180354; B Company CP at ZA175345; C Company CP at ZA189349; D Company CP at grid ZA195355; Recon Company at grid ZA189359; 4.2 mortar platoon at LZ Oasis; Headquarters and Headquarters Company Support (S-4 Forward) at LZ Oasis; At Base Camp (Camp Enari); Battalion Headquarters (Rear).

No significant activities occurred in the area of operation during this period.

0545 hours (C) D Co reports they fired 1 (one) illumination round from light organics on a suspected enemy movement. They had negative sightings and movement ceased.

0740 hours (C) From S-3 to CO: 1. Conduct a search operation in search area assigned yesterday and do not go closer than 500 meters to the cultivated area. 2. Do not search any homes or occupied building without specified approval. Further instructions will follow.

0745 hours (C) From S-3 to Recon: Recon has received their mission for today. It was to go back to where they crossed the river and check 1 kilometer each way for caches.

0925 hours (C) Bde S-2 to TOC S-2: Intelligence Report: Unidentified object was fired at a radius of 2000 meters located ZA046373 23 Apr early morning.

0935 hours (C) B Co 521 element found a Law and requested to blow it and received permission. Location of find was 300 meters from 512-element night location. It was blown at 0940 hours.

1130 hours (C) D Co and Recon to TOC: D Co reports negative findings in area of mortars and recon says negative findings in area of movement.

1320 hours (C) From 59 to A Co: Do you have a secure LZ? Ans.: Yes. We have one platoon (minute 30 man) with an officer PH standing by in it at this time for a mission.

1545 hours (C) S-3 to A Co: Have 1st platoon combat assault to artillery hill for security.

**24 April 1969**

1/35th

*Submitted by: Dave Fogg*

3rd Bde 4th Inf Div Bn  
(1/35) Forward Fire Base  
LZ Oasis ZA117277

## Unit Locations:

1/35 CP LZ Oasis

A Co CP ZA180354

B Co CP ZA175345

C Co CP ZA189349

D Co CP ZA195355

Recon Co ZA188355

4.2 mortar platoon LZ Oasis

Summary: Log opened at 0001 hours 24 April 1969. Unit locations: At LZ Oasis grid ZA117277; Battalion Headquarters (Forward), A Company at grid ZA180354; B Company at ZA175345; C Company at ZA189349; D Company at ZA195355; Recon platoon at grid ZA188355; 4.2 mortar platoon at LZ Oasis; Headquarters and Headquarters Company Support (S-4 Forward) at LZ Oasis; At Base Camp (Camp Enari); Battalion Headquarters (Rear).

At 1723 hours on 24 Apr 69 C co 51 element which swept the area of reported shots has closed back in and reported they crossed the river and after doing so heard 4 more shots. They said the shots were coming from the middle of the plantation as either 45 caliber or carbine shots.

0845 hours (C) To all elements: 1. 1/35th is alerted for a possible move to Ban Me Thout area, to reinforce 2/35th and ARVN rangers. Indications are that elements of 2 enemy regiments are in the area west of Buan Blek. S. CA scheduled for today is postponed at least until this afternoon, possibly cancelled. 3. Elements should be in an extractable position and curtail movement. 4. Resupply as needed will be effected as soon as possible. 5. Limited movements can be anticipated. 6. More information will follow. The following refers to B Co and CO: 1. Your proposed night location for 24 Apr is still approved move when you are ready. Message to B Co needs an acknowledgement by all COs personally.

1530 hours (C) C Co reports they heard a couple of shots 215 degrees azimuth 400 meters and they sounded like AK fire. S-3 is sending 1 platoon size element across the river to investigate.

**25 April 1969**

1/35th

*Submitted by: Dave Fogg*

3rd Bde 4th Inf Div Bn  
(1/35) Forward Fire Base



LZ Oasis ZA117277

Unit Locations:

1/35 CP LZ Oasis

A Co CP ZA160340

B Co CP ZA158354

C Co CP ZA178354

D Co CP ZA195355

Recon Co ZA189354

4.2 mortar platoon LZ Oasis

Summary: Log opened at 0001 hours 25 April 1969. Unit locations: At LZ Oasis grid ZA117277; Battalion Headquarters (Forward), A Company at ZA160340; B Company CP at ZA158354; C Company CP at ZA178354; D Company CP at ZA195355; Recon CP at ZA189354; 4.2 mortar platoon at LZ Oasis; Headquarters and Headquarters Company Support (S-4 Forward) at LZ Oasis; At Base Camp (Camp Enari); Battalion Headquarters (Rear).

No significant activities occurred in the area of operations during this time.

0930 hours (C) To C Co from S-3: 1. You will remain in the same area pending a combat assault on 26 Apr 69 to LZ previously discussed. 2. Establish 4 squad size ambushes along Ia Puch River tonight at likely crossing sites. 3. Send proposed ambush sites to me for approval. (C Co CO). 4. Occupy ambush positions just prior to darkness. We need an acknowledgement from C Co and CO.

0940 hours (C) To Recon CO: 1. You will remain in the same general area pending a combat assault to LZ Kay tomorrow. 2. Out post major trails in the area. Coordinate with C Co in reference to night locations. Further information will follow when available.

1000 hours (C) To D Company CO: 1. Search and clear to northwest and at least 3 clicks. 2. Establish a night location in the general area of ZA155380. 3. Establish 3 or 4 squad size ambushes. Employ ambushes after 1900 hours. 4. We are not on alert for Ban Me Thout area any more. We need an acknowledgement from D Co CO.

1020 hours (C) To A Company CO: 1. Village of Catecka I will cordoned in the next few days. 2. Search and clear to the west covering as wide an area as possible. Establish a night location in general vicinity ZA153341 and establish 3 squad size ambushes in that general area, at a minimum of 1 kilometer from CP and a minimum of 500 meters apart. Occupy position after 1900 hours and inform me if and when you enter the cultivated area. Do not destroy or damage tea plants or plantation facilities. 3. Northern boundary will be the east-west road running north of Catecka I village. This road is the responsibility of B Co and needs an acknowledgement from A Co CO.

1030 hours (C) To B Company CO: 1. The village of Catecka I will not be cordoned in the next few days. 2. Search and clear to the west covering as wide and as thoroughly as possible. Pay particular attention to streambeds. 3. Establish 3 or 4 squad size ambushes in the area. Employ ambushes after 1900 hours. If you enter the cultivated area let me know. Do not damage tea plants or plantation

facilities. 4. Southern boundary is east-west road and this road is your responsibility. We need an acknowledgement from B Co CO.

1215 hours (C) From Recon: Our dog handler has been bit by his own dog and would like another dog team sent out and would like to send in old team as soon as possible.

2355 hours (C) From S-2 to B, D Co: Agent report (C-3) from II Corps has possible NVA/VC Bn at vicinity ZA113390. Acknowledgement needed.

## **26 April 1969**

1/35th

*Submitted by:* Dave Fogg

3rd Bde 4th Inf Div Bn  
(1/35) Forward Fire Base  
LZ Oasis ZA117277

### Unit Locations:

A Co CP ZA153341

B Co CP ZA130360

C Co CP ZA178354

D Co CP ZA174376

Recon Co ZA189354

4.2 mortar platoon LZ Oasis

Summary: Log opened at 0001 hours 26 April 1969. Unit locations: At LZ Oasis grid ZA117277; Battalion Headquarters (Forward), A Company at ZA153341; B Company CP at ZA130360; C Company CP at ZA178354; D Company CP at ZA175376; Recon CP at ZA189354; 4.2 mortar platoon at LZ Oasis; Headquarters and Headquarters Company Support (S-4 Forward) at LZ Oasis; At Base Camp (Camp Enari); Battalion Headquarters (Rear).

At 0848 hours on 26 Apr 69 B Company 52 element is in contact and is receiving small arms and incoming rounds. At 0809 hours on 26 Apr 69 B Company 52 element and taking incoming and small arms fire, In reference to contact at 0808 hours the 52 element has taken 12 rounds and they do not know what kind of caliber they are. B Company took 12-14 rounds of AK fire then the 52 element took small arms fire. Enemy location was due west of the 52 element 300 meters. The Company was firing 81mm on the location and incoming rounds were still undetermined and thought to be 82mm or 60mm. On 26 Apr 69 at 0840 hours B Co reported on the readout of 52 element receiving 8-9 rounds of 60mm mortar. The rounds impacted 75-100 meters from the element and approximately 35 AKs fired 100 rounds and more. At 1100 hours on 26 Apr 69 B Company's 51 element has found a total of 5 caps for a 60mm mortar in location 123357. At 1130 hours on 26 Apr 69 A Company spotted an individual in green fatigues about 500 meters from our location of 135342 moving south along the lake and no weapon was spotted. At 1135 hours B Company on 26 Apr 69 said that mortars were not dug in and there were no base plate markings. The area was in an opening and there was a trail 100 meters away running east west. The enemy was believed to have fled west and we had an

Operations Post east of the location on or near the same trail. At 1554 hours on 26 Apr 69 B Company CO said the fire at 1548 hours was coming from west, northwest at 2 of 3 positions of AK fire. AT 2029 hours on 26 Apr 69 B Company 51 element took fire from AKs, 2 bursts from 2 VC/NVA 30 meters south of the village. They returned fire and will check the area out before the cordon of the village. They returned fire and will check the area out before the cordon. At 2054 hours on 26 Apr 69 B Co 51 element swept the area and found: 1 KIA VC/NVA, 1 AK-47, Rucksack, web gear, and khaki pants. Other VC/NVA fled into the village.

0758 hours (C) B Co heard a burst of AK (8 to 10 rounds) north of night location about 500 meters away and they want us to check it out.

0800 hours (C) From S-3 to D Co: Enemy Bn is reported at ZA112390 last night. Move to this location and let us know when you arrive there. Southern boundary is 40.

0808 hours (C) B Co 52 element is in contact and is receiving small arms and incoming rounds.

0809 hours (C) From B Co in reference to contact: Our 52 element is in contact, taking small arms, incoming rounds. They took a total of 12 rounds and do not know what kind of caliber. B Co took 12-14 rounds then the 52 element took small arms fire. Enemy locations were due west of the 52 element 300 meters. We are firing 81mm on location now. Incoming is undetermined; they may be 82 or 60s.

0840 hours (C) From B Co to TOC: Readout on 52 element, said they received 8-9 rounds of 60mm mortar. They impacted 75-100 meters from the 52 element. Approximately 35 AKs were firing 100 rounds and more.

1100 hours (C) B Co to TOC: Our 51 element has found a total of 5 caps for 60mm mortar in location ZA123357.

1130 hours (C) From A Co to TOC: They spotted an individual in green fatigues about 500 meters from our location of ZA136342. He was moving south along the lake and no weapon was spotted.

1548 hours (C) C Co 53 reports hearing what sounded like mortar tubes popping and impacting 1 clicks due west.

1552 hours (C) B Co reports they are receiving small arms fire.

1554 hours (C) B Co CO says fire was coming from west-northwest from 2 or 3 positions of AK fire.

1555 hours (C) B Co employed small arms, M-79.

1557 hours (C) Arty is being employed at this time for B Company.

1928 hours (C) C Co CP hears tubes popping 300 to 500 meters.

2029 hours (C) B Co 51 took fire from AKs, 2 bursts from 2 VC/NVA, 30 meters south of the village.

The Co returned fire and will check the area out before the cordon starts.

2054 hours (C) B Co 51 swept the area and found 1 KIA VC/NVA, 1 AK-47, Rucksack, web gear and khaki pants. Other VC/NVA fled into the village.

**27 April 1969**

1/35th

*Submitted by:* Dave Fogg

3rd Bde 4th Inf Div Bn  
(1/35) Forward Fire Base  
LZ Oasis ZA117277

Unit Locations:

A Co CP ZA113342

B Co (-) CP ZA106364

C Co (-) CP ZA160356

D Co CP ZA140380

Recon Co AR818176

4.2 mortar platoon LZ Oasis

Summary: Log opened at 0001 hours 27 April 1969. Unit locations: At LZ Oasis grid ZA117277; Battalion Headquarters (Forward), A Company at ZA113342; B Company (-) CP at ZA106364; C Company (-) CP at ZA160356; D Company CP at ZA140380; Recon platoon at AR818176; 4.2 mortar platoon at LZ Oasis; Headquarters and Headquarters Company Support (S-4 Forward) at LZ Oasis; At Base Camp (Camp Enari); Battalion Headquarters (Rear).

At 0721 hours on 27 Apr 69 B Company reports enemy KIA of last night was Vietnamese and had rice in his pack, ammo punch, 2 Chinese Communist grenades. At 1120 hours on 27 Apr 69 B Company has all back call and said packs are 200 meters east southwest of the Checkpoint.

0630 hours (C) Recon to TOC: At 0545 we spotted a light 250-300 meters across the blueline (Guess) and someone was lighting a cigarette (guess). About 3 individual were seen and they stayed in the same area for about 10 minutes. When dawn came they could not be seen and the platoon is going to sweep the area soon.

0721 hours (C) In reference to KIA of last night, B Co reports enemy KIA was Vietnamese and had rice in his pack, ammo pouch and 2 Chinese Communist grenades.

1650 hours (C) We request a Dust-Off for B Co line #137 was shot in the left forearm by friendlies and the pick up zone is at ZA103364. Pleiku Dust-Off 39 has an estimated time of arrival of 30 minutes.

**28 April 1969**

1/35th

*Submitted by:* Dave Fogg

3rd Bde 4th Inf Div Bn  
(1/35) Forward Fire Base  
LZ Oasis ZA117277

Unit Locations:

A Co CP ZA092327  
B Co CP ZA091366  
C Co CP ZA113332  
D Co CP ZA131393  
Recon Co ZA115249  
4.2 mortar platoon LZ Oasis

Summary: Log opened at 0001 hours 28 April 1969. Unit locations: At LZ Oasis grid ZA117277; Battalion Headquarters (Forward), A Company at ZA092327; B Company CP at ZA091366; C Company CP at ZA113332; D Company CP at ZA131393; Recon CP at ZA115249; 4.2 mortar platoon at LZ Oasis; Headquarters and Headquarters Company Support (S-4 Forward) at LZ Oasis; At Base Camp (Camp Enari); Battalion Headquarters (Rear).

At 0905 hours 28 Apr 69 A Company reports they seen one individual moving north from south about 25 to 30 meters from our present location ZA092330. We are employing red leg at this time. We think there was about 6 to 10 individuals moving north by the sound of the noise. At 1300 hours on 28 Apr 69 the PF platoon reported to S-5 that they saw 3 individuals while sweeping south from Than Binh. They had contact of a few rounds and the suspected NVA returned fire at vicinity ZA095273. The enemy wore green uniforms and no hats. At 1420 hours on 28 Apr 69 C Company found what they believed to be an old French mine field, approximate location of ZA097343. They estimated 30 to 40 Bouncing Betty type mines. At 1755 hours on 28 Apr 69 the Engineers reported the mines were the said type (M2 series, US type and fairly new). Trip wires on the mines were burned off in one area of the field and it contained 7 mines. Estimated size of the field was 200 by 50 meters. Mines were on both sides of the field and S-3 1/35th asked Bde if the field was to be marked or destroyed. At 1830 hours S-2 reports that at 0900 hours Plei Me CSF found a cache at ZA172199. It contained documents, ID cards, 3 Chinese Communist grenades, 1 shotgun, and 1 carbine. At the same grid around 1200 hours the CSF had contact with 5 to 6 individuals. Contact was broken at 1215 hours and the enemy evaded to the northwest direction. At 1218 hours the Forward Air Control came on station, no artillery was employed. A later sweep of the area resulted in negative findings.

**29 April 1969**

1/35th

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3rd Bde 4th Inf Div Bn  
(1/35) Forward Fire Base  
LZ Oasis ZA117277

Unit Locations:

A Co (-) CP ZA084364  
B Co (-) CP ZA091366  
C Co (-) CP ZA104340  
D Co (-) CP ZA114397  
Recon Co ZA092219  
4.2 mortar platoon LZ Oasis

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At 1250 hours on 29 Apr 69 the Recon platoon at ZA104220 found a trail running north and south. There were Ho Chi Minh sandal tracks and the trail was used within the last 24 to 48 hours. The recon is moving out at this time. Tracks ran south to north by the use of 2 to 3 individuals and Recon moved in the direction of the tracks. At 1815 hours 2nd platoon B Company on 29 Apr 69 found a large trail running north to south. It was crossed by a smaller trail running west to east. Location of the junction was ZA067373 and smaller trail was used in the past 24 to 48 hours. Larger trail was used in the past and looked as if 30 to 50 people used it to travel north. The small trail looked as if 6 to 10 persons used to travel west. There will be 2-squad size Bushmasters at the trail junction.

0827 hours (C) From Recon to TOC -DELAYED ENTRY- On 29 Apr 69 at 0814 hours they reported hearing small arms of M-60, M-79 1 clicks to 2 clicks from their location ZA 115 degrees. They asked Bde if friendlies were in the vicinity of ZA108200 at 1120 hours and Bde said closest one 3 clicks east.

1330 hours (C) D Co reports hearing automatic weapons 500 meters west of the 53A location. Approximate ZA098424.

1536 hours (C) B Co reports that EM slashed his right leg with a machete. Cpt. Scott's LOH will pick him up and take him to the 4th Med. Injured EM is SP4 William M. Hoelle.

1745 hours (C) From B Co Proposed plans sent to S3: The CP will remain in the same location and prepare a LZ. The 1st Plt. Working to the south of the CP will conduct detailed squad sized search operations to the southeast and then return to the CP. The 2nd platoon will establish patrol base vicinity ZA067373 and conduct detailed squad sized search operations to the north; area generally bounded by grid ZA0637. The 3d platoon will establish patrol base vicinity ZA072384 and conduct detailed squad sized search operations, generally bounded by grid ZA0738. They anticipate the search of the areas indicated would take a minimum of 2 days and on the third day they will re-locate the CP 1 kilometer to the south and conduct search operations.

2220 hours (C) From TOC to all Co Commanders: The 1/35th will conduct a Bn operation in the vicinity of Plei Me Specials Forces Camp beginning 1 May and ending 4 or 5 May. Positioning of units will begin tomorrow (3) morning. On 1 May units will be trucked to LZ Oasis. Units will be moved by

Ch-47 to Plei Me. The CA will begin as units close Plei Me. Instructions for 30 Apr to A Co are: Move by foot from the present location to ZA077313. B Co is to move their unit to the nearest shipping LZ ASAP for extraction to ZA087312. C Co is to move by foot to coordinate ZA103306. D Co is to move to the nearest 3 ship LZ ASAP for extraction to ZA108296. We need an acknowledgement from all units.

**30 April 1969**

1/35th

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3rd Bde 4th Inf Div Bn  
(1/35) Forward Fire Base  
LZ Oasis ZA117277

Unit Locations:

A Co (-) CP ZA117277

B Co (-) CP ZA074377

C Co (-) CP ZA103339

D Co CP ZA109414

Recon Plt ZA116212

4.2 mortar platoon LZ Oasis

Summary: Log opened at 0001 hours 30 April 1969. Unit locations: At LZ Oasis grid ZA117277; Battalion Headquarters (Forward), A Company (-) at ZA117277; B Company (-) at ZA074377; C Company (-) at ZA103339; D Company at ZA109414; Recon platoon at ZA116212; 4.2 mortar platoon at LZ Oasis; Headquarters and Headquarters Company Support (S-4 Forward) at LZ Oasis; At Base Camp (Camp Enari); Battalion Headquarters (Rear).

At 0757 hours on 30 Apr 69 C Company 53rd element was conducting a search and found a hooch and black pajama outfit. They are continuing to search the area.

0002 hours (C) From LT Clark S-3 Operations to Bn S3: The operation has been cancelled, however, the airlifts for the 2 Cos will take place. The moves will take place except for A Co and it will be placed conveniently for further movement. The Thanh An Operation to the west has been cancelled. Tomorrow morning at 1000 hours the CO of the 1/35th, CO of 1/14th and Colonel Patterson will attend meetings at G-3 concerning the new operation. C battery 2/9th move is cancelled.

0728 hours (C) C Co 53 and 54 see smoke and hear small arms fire 1 click south.

1226 hours (C) C Co hears small arms 1 click west of the location ZA100315. We sent it to Bde and asked them to send it to Thanh An and they said they were doing it.

1543 hours (C) D Co reports PZ is complete.

1548 hours (C) D Co reports LZ is complete.

1550 hours (C) B Co reports the 1st PZ.

1557 hours (C) B Co reports 1st PZ is cold.

1655 hours (C) B Co reports the LZ is complete.

1745 hours (C) From S-3 to all elements: Intelligence information reports that a Sapper Bn is 4 kilometers to the west of the unit locations. All units will have overhead cover except the Bushmasters and they will be dug in.

1748 hours (C) From S-3 to B Co: You will have a platoon on a 15 minute alert and be prepared to move to ZA085311 also be picked up to reinforce the Oasis or Thanh District.

1825 hours (C) From B Co to TOC: We request a Dust-Off for 1 EM who cut his right knee with a machete. He is ambulatory. Pick up location is ZA088313 and is secure. Dust-Off will come on the Air to ground frequency (44.35) and contact 42C.

1910 hours (C) Pleiku Dust-Off said that they would not come tonight as the weather was bad between Pleiku and B Cos location.

1940 hours (C) From S-3 to all elements COs: 1. Execution of Bn operation has been delayed 24 hours. 2. Truck move and CAs will occur on 02 May. 3. Be prepared to reposition companies tomorrow so that they will be in close proximity to Highway 19. 4. Be prepared to receive the resupply on 01 May to last through the evening meal of 04 May. 5. Further instructions will follow as guidance is received.

2156 hours (C) From Bde S-2 to Bn S-2: Subject: Probable Attack By Fire. Usually reliable intelligence indicates probable enemy attack by fire in the Pleiku City area and vicinity on the night of 30 Apr and the morning of 1 May