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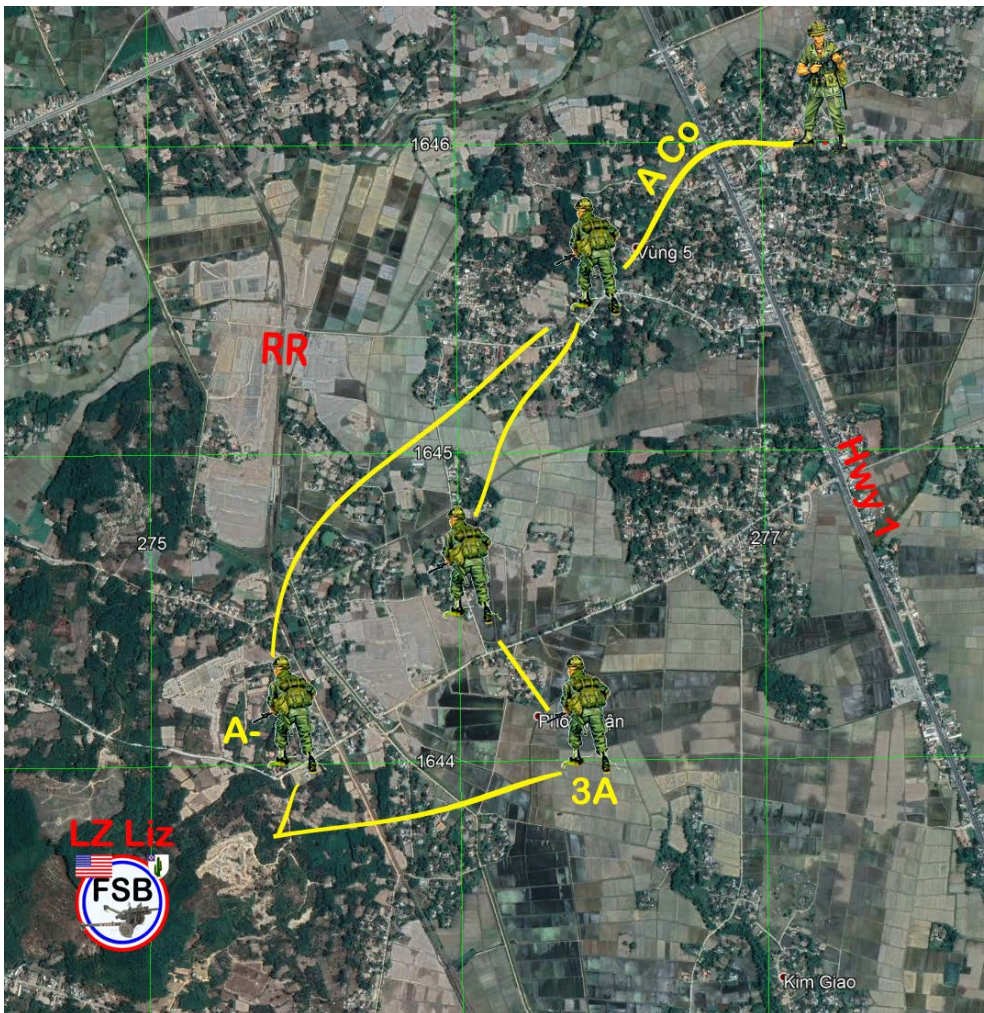
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THE BATTLE OF VINH HIEN

19-20 May 1967

Because this was a significant action, this account was excerpted from the Operations Report and Lessons Learned for the 2nd Battalion 35th Infantry, period ending 7-31-1967. Both A and C Companies, 2/35th, were heavily involved in the actions laid forth in this account. Actions before and after these dates are contained in the ORLL posted. For lack of a better title, I have named the action The Battle of Vinh Hien, after the hamlet mentioned in the report. (Jim Anderson)

19 May-20 May 1967



19 May 1967 A Co Patrol Route

While in the process of securing an LZ, vic 775457, at 19 1545H May 1967, in preparation for a combat assault in support of C/2-35, in contact to the north, A/2-35 began receiving enemy automatic and small arms fire from three or four enemy positions to their south. The CO, A/2-35 decided, with the concurrence of the Battalion Commander, to attack these enemy positions and to develop the situation. The initial enemy fire wounded one soldier seriously.

Moving to the south A/2-35 overran the enemy positions, killing two enemy. By 1610H, the enemy had disengaged and had retreated to the southwest. A sweep of the contact area produced an

F.M. Radio, medical supplies and several NVA uniforms. They continued the search and then, upon receipt of information of enemy movement to the southwest, began a sweep in that direction.

At 1735H, A/2-35 again received some small arms fire from the south. Realizing that his company might be led into an enemy ambush, CPT Barcena, CO, A/2-35, requested and received an air observation team from B/1-9 Cav (airmobile) to screen his flanks and front.

Continuing to move to the south, A/2-35 was fired on at 1830H, from the south. The observation team located the enemy and directed the company along a concealed route to the enemy position. This position was destroyed and two enemy were killed. One Thompson sub-machine gun was captured.

At 1910H Company A closed for the night, vic BS774455. At 1915H, one VC sniper fired at and wounded one of the company's riflemen. The VC was killed and his weapon captured. The company dug in and listening posts were put out. The wounded soldier was evacuated.

At 20 0025H, the CO, A/2-35, reported that his LP's to the northwest and southwest had engaged a total of eight enemy. The LP's threw grenades, detonated their claymores and fired their weapons.

Two enemy with grenades were killed; the other six fled. The LP's shifted their locations and waited. A sweep was conducted by one of the platoons but they only discovered three blood trails and the two enemy killed. Blood trails indicated three of the enemy were seriously wounded.

At 0147H, CPT Barcena reported his perimeter under attack by an estimated enemy company. Using existing trench lines that encompassed the entire area, the enemy was able to move undetected to within a few meters of where the LP's had been. The enemy, thinking the LP's were there, threw hand grenades and attacked the empty position. This brief warning enabled the LP's to "ambush" the attackers and move back to their lines.



Incoming artillery. Don Keith 2/9th Arty photo

By this time artillery defensive concentrations were being fired. Despite the heavy volume of outgoing fire, the enemy pressed forward in a vigorous ground attack. Using "hugging" tactics to avoid the heavy artillery concentrations, the enemy threw a large number of hand grenades in the perimeter. It was these hand grenades that inflicted most of the casualties.

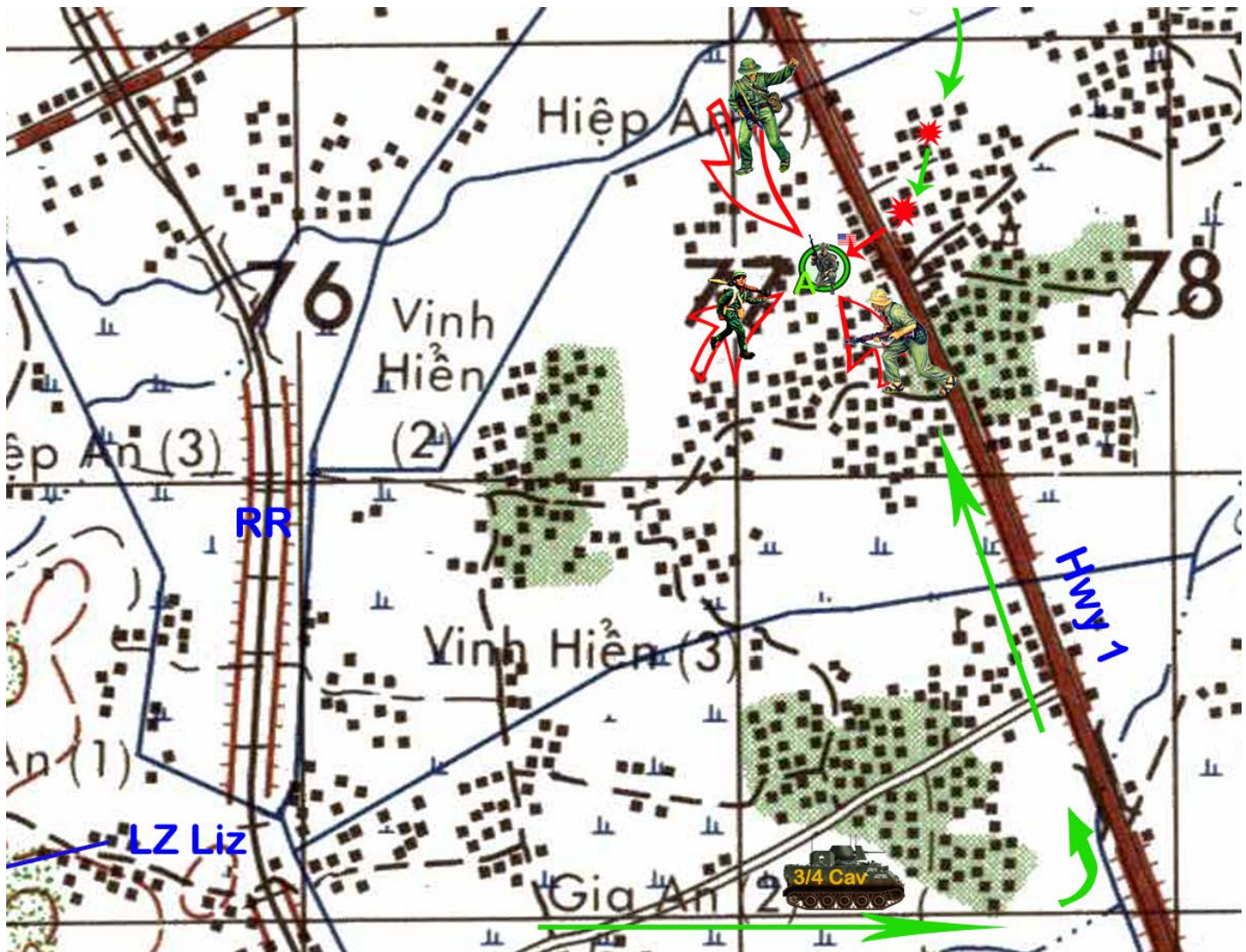
Flare ships and gunships were requested. The Battalion Commander requested an armed AC-47 and AC-47 flare ship. By 0222H the enemy had ceased the coordinated ground attack and was engaging A/2-35 on only the northern flank. DUSTOFF, aeromedical evacuation, was alerted to stand by to evacuate the wounded once the area was secured.

At 0247H, CPT Barcena requested a resupply of ammunition. LTC Granger, realizing that a resupply helicopter would, in all probability, be shot down in the attempt, decided to commit

C/3-4 Cav (-); not only to carry the much needed ammunition, but also to block the southern escape route.

Under the light from the 105mm illuminating rounds, C/3-4 Cav (-) departed LZ LIZ. At 0355H, the armed AC-47 "Dragonship" arrived on station and rained accurate fire on the enemy. The aircraft commander of the AC-47 also guided the APC's along the best route of advance toward the besieged company.

At 0418H, Co A reported ten WIA and requested medevac for them. By 0427H, Dustoff was overhead and going into the LZ. Receiving enemy AW fire, the helicopter had to pull off, unable to extract any of the WIA's. He flew to LZ LIZ to check his helicopter for damage and to await the time when he could again attempt the extraction.



Co A perimeter attacked 0147h. 2/9th Artillery fired around the perimeter. Due to "hugging" tactics the artillery fires were largely ineffective. C/34th Cav APCs departed LZ Liz with an ammo re-supply. AC-47 "Spooky" called in. Most of A Company's casualties were from grenades thrown into the perimeter.

C/3-4 Cav closed A/2-35's perimeter without incident at 0451H. Just prior to the closing, the enemy fired rifle grenades and small arms sporadically throughout the perimeter. Contact was broken on the arrival of the C/3-4 Cav. Additional resupply was requested and the resultant resupply helicopter and DUSTOFF extracted the twelve WIA's and two KIA's.

Between 0630 and 1210H, there was no enemy contact. A/2-35 and C/3-4 Cav conducted an extensive search and sweep of the night area of contact, locating ten enemy killed and three weapons. In addition, one hamlet guerilla was captured. Upon interrogation, it was discovered that he was wounded during the initial probe at 0025H. He observed two others in his group killed.



IZ Liz Note the 106mm Recoilless Rifle position at the top of the hill

At 0900H, A/2-3 5 located a VC bunker complex 100 meters west of their night location. An engineer squad from D Company, 65th Eng. Battalion, was airlifted with explosives to the LZ and was carried by an APC to that location. Elements from both C/3-4 Cav and A/2-35 provided security while the engineers worked on the destruction of the VC camp and its bunker complex.



Joe Wimberly with track 40 C/3-4 after returning to his unit from Japan

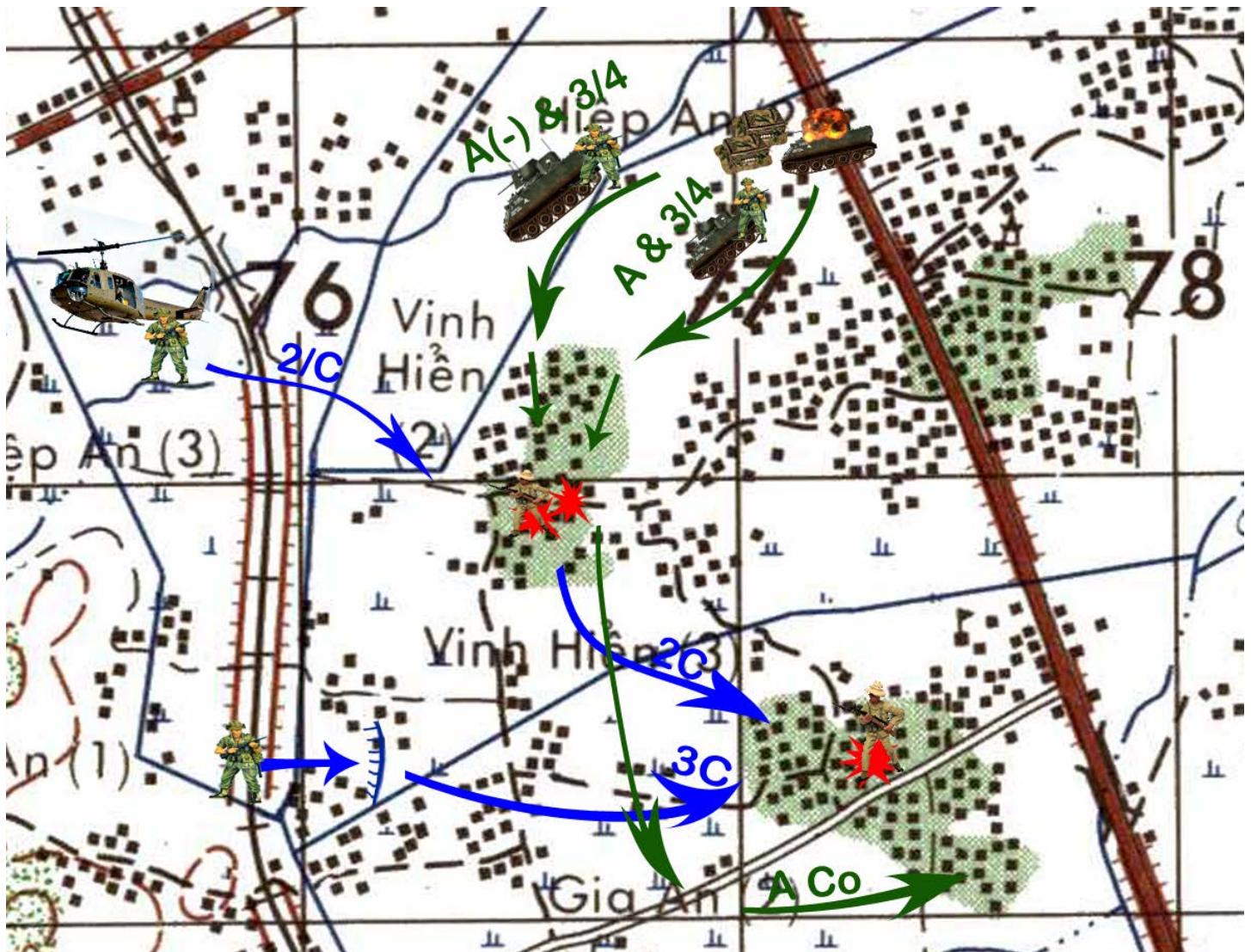
At 1221H, this work party came under attack by the enemy. Sgt. Ivy McCarrol 3/4th Cav, was shot through the chest by a sniper and killed. SSG Lonnie Smith, TC of track 40 turned his APC around to assist. Firing RPG-2's, the enemy hit one of the APC's, killing the track commander. The driver, Joe Wimberly, was seriously wounded but was not killed. The APC was destroyed. In reinforcing the engineer work party A/2-35 (-) and C/3-4 Cav (-) met heavy enemy resistance, but aggressively fought through it driving them to the southwest.

At 1341, C/2-35 was alerted to move to a pick-up site where they would be extracted for a combat assault southwest of the contact area. The battalion reconnaissance platoon was alerted to move from LZ LIZ to vic BS768463.

At 1410 an airstrike helped to break up enemy concentration.

By 1448, Recon 2-35 Inf was in position and by 1500, C/2-35 (-) had conducted their CA into an LZ vic BS758453.

While the elements were being moved into position, a FAC spotted twenty armed enemy moving toward the destroyed APC. While the Battalion Commander adjusted the direct fire of the 106RR fire from LZ LIZ, CPT Barcena sent a ground element toward the enemy position and APC. When the troops arrived at the deserted APC they killed two more enemy, one of them inside the track,



After linking up, C Co and A Co began sweeping south and east through two fortified villages

C/2-35 (-) moved from the landing zone to the east linking with A/2-35. By 1540H, Company C was in contact with a well-entrenched enemy southwest of A Company. During a stiff village fight that lasted more than an hour C Company killed twenty-six armed enemy.

Meanwhile, A Company and C troop 3-4 Cav had turned to the east and were pushing through the southern edge of Vinh Hien (3) toward Highway #1.

After C Company had evacuated their wounded and dead, they moved into the northern part of Vinh Hien (3), paralleling A Company's route of movement. Just inside the hamlet, C Company encountered another entrenched enemy element. Helicopter rockets and small unit tactics eventually overcame the remaining VC force, and C Company reached the eastern edge of the hamlet at 1950 hours. A Company and C Company established a combined perimeter in the paddy area east of the hamlet.

C/3-4 Cav had begun a sweep back toward the blocking position of the recon platoon. At 2015H, Recon/2-35 and C/3-4 (-) closed LZ LIZ to provide FSB security. There were no further incidents that night.



The next day the village was razed Alan Bell A/1-35 photo

An armed AC-47 "Dragon Ship" reported on station at 2015 and his fires were directed by CPT Lanning. Artillery was fired into the hamlet throughout the night to deny the enemy access to the remnants of the battle area.

At 21 0620H, the two companies began a systematic search of the hamlet and other areas of contact. In addition, before the village was destroyed each and every bunker, spider hole, and hut, was methodically searched for signs of the enemy. By the time the hamlet had been razed, all enemy material had been evacuated or destroyed. One ton of explosives were used to destroy the complex.

1. Results:

1. Friendly Losses

- a. KIA 5
- b. WIA 24

2. Enemy Losses-Personnel

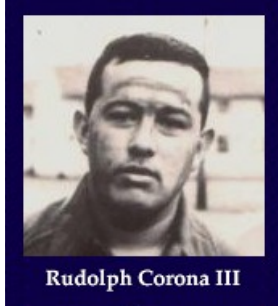
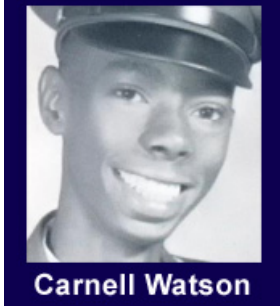
- a. KIA 89
- b. CIA 3
- c. Detained (suspects) 12

3. Enemy Losses

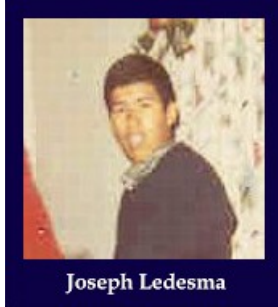
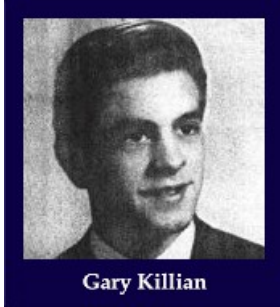
- a. weapons 47
- b. Mixed ammunition 10,000 rds.
- c. Rice 1,000 lbs.

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A Co 2/35th



C Co 2/35th



Not Pictured: Ivy M McCarrol, Jr. and Lonnie Smith, both with C Troop 3-4th Cav

Information on C Troop casualties was gleaned from the 3/4th website at:

<http://www.ctrp-3d-4thcav.com>

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ITEM NO.	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INL	
	IN	OUT				
1	0001		Journal opened		RE	
2	0550		C/2-34 has one female VCS at 82445, VCS started to run when approached by friendly indiv had 1300 piasters in her possession.	Rde, M, S2, IV	fb	
3	0816		Co A departed IZ LIZ	Rde, M, Arty, S3	co	
4	0840		3C/3-4 departed and checked out a cave at bottom of hill, will inform as when to blow it.	S2, M	co	
5	0939		Co C (-) will stay at night location. 1C will split into four elements and go on a 24 hour mission at locations 1C A 760534, 1C B 769537, 1C C 76753E, 1C D 768543. LRRP on 48 hour mission at 764534.	Rde, M, Arty, S2	co	
6	0951		Co A (-) loc 754410, 3A loc 764440	Rde, M, Arty	co	
7	1020		Co A has 3 VCS women age 20-25, no ID card at 760450. To be evacuated.	Rde, M, S2	co	
8	1034		3C/3-4 and Recon located at 742439	Rde, M, Arty	co	
9	1044		Co A reports 3 VCS have been picked up	S3, S2	co	
10	1058		C/2-34 located at 822452	Rde, M, Arty	co	
11	1105		Co C receiving SA fire at 775546, about 10 rounds, maneuvering with 1C.	Rde, M, Arty, S2	co	
12	1106		Co A has one VCS with no ID card at 764456.	Rde, M, Arty, S2	co	
13	1130		Co A has 3 female VCS, 1 child at 764456	Rde, M, Arty, S2	hd	
14	1140		C/2-34 located at 812445	Rde, M, Arty	omr	
15	1145		C/2-34 found one 155 round not rigged in any way and blew in place at 812445	Rde, M, S2	co	
16	1225		Co C located at 772545	Rde, M, Arty	co	
17	1226		1C engaged 3 indiv at 773532, indiv had weapons, resulting in 1 VC killed and 2 M1 rifles captured. 1C sweeping area now.	Rde, M, Arty, S2	hd	
18	1240		C/2-34 at 820426 located and destroyed a 105mm and 155 mm dud.	Rde, M, S2	hd	
19	1250		Co A at 762457 request DUSTOFF for man that cant walk.	Rde, M, S2	hd	

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20	1253		Recon recalled to IZ Iiz to be airlifted to 796435 and will sweep west, C/2-34 advised to stand by in case Recon develops something.	Recon, 2-34, Bde M, S3Air	hds
21	1254		IRRP departed IZ Iiz to begin mission.	Bde, M, Arty	hds
22	1300		White team requested to be on station when Recon makes CA into enemy CP at 796485.	Bde, S3Air, S3	hds
23	1325		Recon at IZ Iiz for pickup	Bde, M, Arty, S3A	hds
24	1330		IRRP has one man with heat exhaustion and one man with back trouble, request DUSTOFF.	DUSTOFF, S2	hds
25	1340		Co A loc at 772460, starting move south.	Bde, M, Arty	hds
26	1343		Recon lifted off IZ Iiz.	Bde, M, Arty	hds
27	1352		Recon touched down at 800490, white team on station.	Bde, M, Arty	hds
28	1353		3 men left in IRRP to walk back to IZ Iiz.	Bde, M, Arty	hds
29	1358		White team on station with Recon spotted enemy leaving village and engaging, recon closing in.	Bde, M, Arty, S2	hds
30	1402		Recon reports they have not seen anything.	Bde, M, Arty, S2	hds
31	1407		Pilot of white team hit bad in leg, trying to make it to beach, C & C to try to go down and pick up pilot and gunner.	Bde, S2	hds
32	1413		Gunships to fly cover, C & C picked up pilot and gunner and on way to DUSTOFF. Gunship has landed and copilot will try to fly out white bird.	DUSTOFF, S2, S2	hds
33	1415		Recon heard the firing that hit white team and are going into area.	Bde, S2, S2	hds
34	1425		C/2-34 loc at 827435 instructed to move north to to contact area.	2-34, M	hds
35	1430		Recon reported fire that shot down white bird was not AW, probably a MI.	Bde, M, Arty, S2	hds
36	1435		C/2-34 to go to 804475 and act as blocking force and reaction force for Recon.	Bde, M, Arty	hds
37	1443		Prepare for extraction of Recon at about 1700H or 1800H back to IZ Iiz.	Recon, S3Air	hds

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38	1445		Recon was dropped off at 800490, enemy CP located at 796186. SA fire coming from 795175.	Bde, M, S2		hds	
39	1445		C/2-34 located at 820456	Bde, M, Arty		hds	
40	1450		Co C reports strong contact at 766539, all of Co C committed, Co A to standby.	1, Bde, M, Arty, S2		hds	
41	1457		Gunships requested for Co C	S3Air, C		hds	
42	1505		Recon to move back to beach and marry with and move to Co C loc with C/2-34.	Recon, C, M, S2		hds	
43	1515		Co C reports 1 WIA, 2 VC wounded.	Bde, M, Arty, S2		hds	
44	1516		Co A IZ to be 772457	Bde, S2 Air		hds	
45	1520		1C was split at initial contact. 1C B element made the contact. 1C regrouped and was receiving heavy MW fire from an estimated platoon from 2 locations at close contact. 2C and CP group maneuvering to location now about 200M out and will hit enemy from rear and flank. D/2-34 and recon married up and should be in contact area in 15 minutes. 1C low on ammo. Gunships were used and the fire has decreased but they are still receiving fire. C/2-34 to come in on enemys other flank and box them.	Bde, M, Arty, S2		hds	
46	1530		Bde CO says deploy Co A lift now, use as blocking force. Airstrike available at 1600H.	Bn CO, S2		hds	
47	1530		C/2-34 located with Recon at 807485 moving north.	Bde, M, Arty		hds	
48	1540		Arty prep for Co A IZ being conducted.	Bde, M, Arty		hds	
49	1545		Co A receiving MW fire at 775457 from 3-4 different locations; possibly 7-8 men. Does not need assistance, trying to develop, DUSTOFF requested for 1 serious WIA, gunshot wound at 775457	Bde, M, Arty, S2 DUSTOFF		hds	
50	1600		Request gunships for Co A at 774458	Bde, S2 Air		hds	
51	1610		Co A reports SA fire stopped and sweeping	Bde, S2, S2		hds	
52	1612		Fire has stopped at Co C location, Co C has 2 enemy dead and 2 enemy wounded, Co A airlift has been postponed.	Bde, M, Arty, S2 1, S2		hds	

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53	1620		C/2-34 in area now trying to get in from beach Co A made sweep of contact area and found only	Bde, M, Arty, S3	hds		
54	1700		2 women and 3 children in village, also 1 FM radio, medical supplies, and uniforms.	Bde, M, Arty	hds		
55	1708		Co C sweeping area of contact, using Recon and C/2-34 reports that the enemy fire came from haystacks in the open rice fields.	Bde, S3, S2	crm		
56	1720		Some friendly civilian workers in the fields where Co C made contact tried to help Co C fight against the enemy but were killed in action by enemy.	S3, S2	crm		
57	1725		1C received 5-6 rounds SA fire.	Bde, S3, S2	crm		
58	1730		Co A captured one VC with a suitcase of ex- pended brass and 1 letter and pictures.	Bde, S3, S2	crm		
59	1735		Air observer spotted 4 indiv LOC S of Co A location and fired rockets at them, Co A sweeping to that location received 4-5 rounds SA fire from that same location (774455).	Bde, M, Arty, S2	crm		
60	1750		Co C receiving SA fire sporadically.	Bde, S3, S2	crm		
61	1753		Co A receiving fire from south of his location 774454 requests gunships.	Bde, S3, Air, S2	crm		
62	1808		C/3-4 loc 768408 now entering 2-35 AO	Bde, M, S3, Arty	crm		
63	1812		Co A has negative contact at this time.	Bde, S2, S3	crm		
64	1815		Co C reports a total of 13 VC killed today and 2 M1 carbines.	Bde, S3, S2	crm		
65	1818		C/3-4 located at 764425	Bde, M, Arty	crm		
66	1835		Co A killed 2 VC in bunker at 774455,	Bde, M, S3, S2	crm		
67	1850		Co C while using indirect fire observed 3 secondary explosions in haystacks, estimate either grenades or ammo.	Bde, M, Arty, S2	crm		
68	1851		C/3-4 Cav closed IZ Iiz at 1848	Bde, M, Arty	crm		
69	1900		Total for Co A today, captured 1 VC, 3 VC killed, 2VC wounded, 1 French sub machine gun captured.	Bde, M, Arty, S2	crm		

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70	1910		Co A located for at <u>at 774455</u>	Rde, M, Artv, S2	crm																										
71	1913		106 gun 3 reports one round 5 <u>with</u> cover <u>over</u> head came from northeast.	Rde, M, S2, S3	crm																										
72	1915		Co A requests DUSTOFF for one PS WIA at BS 774455, 1 VC fired and hit man, VC was killed by grenade in a bunker.	Rde, M, S2, S2 DUSTOFF	crm																										
73	1925		Co A also has 1 KIA in addition to the 1 WIA.	Rde, M, S2, S2	crm																										
74	2000		C/2-34 and 1C closed Co C night location.	Rde, M, Artv, S2	amr																										
75	2025		Co A DUSTOFF complete	Rde, M, S2	amr																										
76	2026		Co A located at 773455	Rde, M, Artv	amr																										
77	2027		Recon closed LZ Iiz at 2025H.	Rde, M, Artv	amr																										
78		2400	Journal closed		cc																										
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1	0001		Journal opened			no	
2	0025		Co 1 reports engaged enemy with 5 grenades. 5 indivs engaged on NW side and 3 on SE side think 2 enemy killed are checking now.	Bde, M, Arty, S2		hds	
3	0045		Co 1 has sweeps out, no fire at this time	Bde, S2, S2		hds	
4	0147		Co 1 reports heavy contact, enemy seems to be all around their perimeter. Calling arty.	Arty, Bde, S2		hds	
5	0200		Gunships enroute to Co 1 location, have spotted 25 indiv on one side and 35 on other side Co 1 being hit on three sides now, flareship requested.	Bde, S2, Arty		hds	
6	0222		Co 1 reports fire coming from one flank now not as heavy as before.	Bde, M, Arty		hds	
7	0245		DUSTOFF to standby, Co 1 reports 3 WIA.	DUSTOFF		hds	
8	0247		Co 1 receiving rifle grenades.	Bde, S2		hds	
9	0257		Co 1 requests WCs at his loc, need resupply of SA ammo.	Bn CC		no	
10	0310		Flareship requested from higher	Bde		hds	
11	0347		C/3-4 departed IZ Iiz for Co 1 location.	A, Bde		hds	
12	0355		Co As IZ marked for Spooky	Spooky		hds	
13	0400		C/3-4 Cav has SA ammo will go to Hwy 1 and swing south.	Bde, M, S2		hds	
14	0413		C/3-4 located 775435	Bde, M, Arty, S2		hds	
15	0415		C/3-4 located 775438	Bde, M, Arty, S2		hds	
16	0417		C/3-4 about 1000M to S of Co 1, Co 1 will mark with ground flares.	Bde, M, Arty, S2		hds	
17	0418		Co 1 reports 10 WIA, DUSTOFF on way	S2, S2, Bde		hds	
18	0423		C/3-4 located at 778438	Bde, M, Arty		hds	
19	0427		DUSTOFF going in to pick up WIA received at fire.	Bde, S2		hds	
20	0435		C/3-4 about 650M SE of down in by spooky	Bde, M, Arty, S2		hds	
21	0444		C/3-4 about 30M from contact area has not received any fire yet.	Bde, S2		hds	

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ITEM NO.	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN		INL	
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22	0447		C/3-4 has spotted Co A and is closing in now firing has stopped, resupply bird coming in. MUSTOPF checked. COINTEL SUPPLY	Bde		hds	
23	0450		Spooky has target at 765452	Bde, M		hds	
24	0451		C/3-4 closed Co A location	Bde, M, Arty		hds	
25	0506		Co A reports 2 KIA and 11 WIA (friendly)	Bde, S3, BnCO		hds	
26	0514		Resupply ship picking up WIA also.	Bde, S2, CO		hds	
27	0520		Resupply ship picked up 2 MIAs.	Bde, S2		hds	
28	0535		Resupply ship picking up 5 MIAs, MUSTOPF picking up 4 WIA and 2 KIA	Bde, S2		hds	
29	0600		Co A requests white team for air observation C/2-4 to conduct sweep of contact area.	Bde, S2		hds	
30	0630		Co A had 1 man slightly wounded and returned to duty. Total 12 WIA, 2 KIA.	Bde, S2, S2		hds	
31	0632		White team spotted 4 military age indivs one with bandage on head, Co A too far to detain them and white team can not engage because of women and children around them.	Bde, S2, S2		hds	
32	0650		Red team on station replacing white team.	S3		hds	
33	0705		Co C had 16 VCS picked up and evac by resupply ship.	Bde, S2		crm	
34	0715		Co A has 1 enemy WIA for interrogation.	Bde, S2		crm	
35	0730		VC WIA was evacuated by resupply ship	Bde, S2		crm	
36	0731		Bde will have PAC on station at 0800 if we have target for airstrike.	S3		crm	
37	0758		Co A found 4 dead VC at 773454, had grenades entrenching tools, web gear, no weapon.	Bde, S3, S2, IV		crm	
38	0825		C/2-34 departed night location	Bde, M, Arty		crm	
39	0850		Co A in night location	Bde, M, Arty		co	
40	0850		C/2-34 located at 810482	Bde, M, Arty		co	
41	0851		Co C at night location	Bde, M, Arty		co	
42	0855		Recon departed 12 Hz	Bde, M, Arty			

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82/2 2nd Bn 35th Inf		VINHAM 89251131		0001	20 May 67	2100	20 May 67
ITEM NO.	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INL		
	IN	OUT					
43	0856		3C/3-4 located at 77755 Co A VC WIA/CIA is VC guerrilla from Vinh hamlet. Moved out 1800H with 5 other guerrillas. He was armed with M16 36, didnt have specified mission but believes they were to contact other forces in area. Individ was 1st hit. saw 2 others go down.	Bde, M, Arty	co		
44	0900		1 Engr squad to go to Co A location and blow up VC base camp	Bde, S3, S2	co		
45	0919		2C/3-4 located at 824452	Engr	co		
46	0935		Recon located at 737436	Bde, M, Arty	co		
47	1000		Bde S2 est increased enemy activity in area - Ho Chi Minh's birthday 19-20 May, increased security throughout AO and be aware of impending possible attack.	Bde, M, Arty	co		
48	1000		C/2-34 located at 826444	S2	ris		
49	1035		White team to observe western edge of AO	Bde, M, Arty	co		
50	1105		IRBP departing LZ Liz	S3, S2	co		
51	1107		Recon at 735430 in village found part of homemade gun and ERC10 battery case.	Bde, M, Arty	co		
52	1123		C/2-34 detained 5 VCS in uniforms at 829442	Bde, M, S2, S3	co		
53	1125		Suspected enemy location at 200504	S2, S3	co		
54	1200		C & C received 10 rds SA fire at 777545	Bde, S2, S3	co		
55	1210		C/2-34 located at 823435	Bde, M, Arty	co		
56	1212		Recon located at 735467	Bde, M, Arty	co		
57	1212		Co A receiving SA fire and AV fire 100M W of night location, Co A and C/3-4 engaging	Bde, M, Arty, S3	co		
58	1221		Request red and white team at 773456	Bde, M, S2, Ar	co		
59	1230		106 RR 3 engaging 7 indiv vic 758448	Bde, M, S3	hds		
60	1241		Co A requests DUSTOFF for 2 WIA, 2 enemy killed, so far and report total of 10 enemy killed last night.				
61	1242						

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ITEM NO.	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INL		
	IN	OUT					
62	1250		Gunships and white team on station over 60 A contact.	A, S2	hds		
63	1309		DUSTOFF picked up Co CONFIDENTIAL	A, Bde, S2	hds		
64	1310		LRFP located at 755420 CONFIDENTIAL	Bde, M, Arty	hds		
65	1315		Co C to be lifted to Co A loc 1400H	C.A, S2, S2 Air	hds		
66	1316		C/3-4 needs DUSTOFF at Co A loc for 1 WIA	DUSTOFF, S2	hds		
67	1328		C/3-4 has 1 track destroyed and 1 track hit with AT weapon. 3 KIA, 2 WIA	Bde, M, Arty, S2	hds		
68	1338		Still in contact with estimated Company size force of well armed indiv. One APC abandoned as it was completely destroyed.	Bde, S2, S2	hds		
69	1341		Co C alerted for CV S of cont ct area. Co C mort rs to be lifted to Iiz. Co C will sweep to Co A and Recon will move to Co A from north.	Bde, C, A, Recon	hds		
70	1347		FAC on station, Jets should be on station in about 20 minutes.	Bde, CO, S2	hds		
71	1355		FAC spotted about 20 indiv with weapons and uniforms Bn Co controlling fire from 106 RR on targets.	Bde	hds		
72	1421		Bde CO reports element from 1-35 available for lift in 30 minutes.	Bde, CO	hds		
73	1424		Deserted PC full of enemy, ground troops are going to attack PC with enemy inside.	Bde, S2, S2	hds		
74	1430		Co A and C/3-4 located in tight at 766451	Bde, M, Arty	hds		
75	1431		Recon located 760450 W of contact area.	Bde, M, Arty	hds		
76	1440		Co C 1st lift for 757452 airborne	Bde, M, S2, CO	hds		
77	1441		106 RR firing prep on IZ	Bde, M, Arty	hds		
78	1448		Recon located 768463	Bde, M, Arty	hds		
79	1449		1st lift Co C TD at 768443	Bde, M, Arty	hds		
80	1455		2d lift Co C airborne	Bde, M, Arty	hds		
81	1459		C/3-4 recovered track commanders body and reports 2 enemy killed, destroyed track secured.	Bde, M, S2, S2	hds		
82	1500		Co C lift complete negative contact now.	Bde, M, Arty	hds		

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ITEM NO.	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INL
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83	1520		106th Engin B wounded enemy running across open field	Bde, S2, S2	hds
84	1525		Gunships firing on enemy in open, Co A and C to marry and sweep area gunship firing on.	Bde, 1, S2, S2	hds
85	1535		Co C marry up with Co A	Bde, S2	hds
86	1540		Co C mortars enroute to LZ B	Bde, M, S2	hds
87	1545		Co C Movin E has made contact, 4 VC killed Co A now receiving SA fire.	Bde, S2, S2	hds
88	1600		Co A receiving fire from a squad, Co C needs DUSTOFF for 1 WIA (LT Farmer) receiving fire.	Bde, DUSTOFF, S2	hds
89	1605		Recon receiving SA fire will pick up 3 WGS in field.	Bde, S2, S2	hds
90	1610		Co A and C still in contact, gunships on station	Bde, S2, S2	hds
91	1627		Co C has 2 WIA to be extracted they are being taken from contact area by C/3-4.	Bde, S2, S2	hds
92	1634		Recon picked up 12 women and children WGS trying to leave contact area.	Bde, M, Artv, S2	hds
93	1635		Co C reports 6-7 enemy killed, have one buried in trench with uniform and complete gear.	Bde, S2	hds
94	1645		Co A reports 1 WIA	Bde, S2, S2	hds
95	1647		Co A reports 1 VC killed, 1 BAR captured.	Bde, S2	hds
96	1650		C/3-4 has 1 BAR captured.	Bde, S2	hds
97	1655		Co A and C DUSTOFF complete (1 WIA each)	Bde, S2	hds
98	1700		Co C has 2 KIA, Bde CO to pick them up.	Bde, CO, S2	hds
99	1725		C/3-4 make assault of enemy Co A and C to follow, C & C to mark enemy for gunships.	Bde, S2	hds
100	1730		Co C lost count of enemy killed at 14. Co C has 1 KIA C & C to pick up.	Bde, S2, S2	hds
101	1744		C/3-4 reports receiving fire from 765435, also reports AT weapons were RPG-2 shoulder fired.	Bde, M, S2	hds
102	1748		Gunships firing on enemy C/3-4 spotted.	Bde	hds
103	1755		1 man from Co C to be DUSTED OFF from shock	DUSTOFF	hds
104	1800		C/3-4 located at 775443	Bde, M, Artv	hds

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ITEM NO.	TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	INL		
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105	1801		Gunships spotted and killed 4 enemy, had weapons web gear and camouflage.	Bde, S3, S2, CO	hdc		
106	1810		Co C needs DUSTOFF CONFIDENTIAL	DUSTOFF	hdc		
107	1820		Recon to start move back to LZ 117 CONFIDENTIAL	Recon	hdc		
108	1829		Co C DUSTOFF completed	Bde, S3	hdc		
109	1833		Bde CO states he does not want Co A and C to come into Liz tonight.	Bn CO	hdc		
110	1842		Co C receiving fire reports 1 enemy killed.	Bde, S3, S2	hdc		
111	1843		C/3-4 needs DUSTOFF to extract WIA	DUSTOFF	hdc		
112	1900		C & C to pick up C/3-4 WIA	Bde, C/3-4	hdc		
113	1901		C/3-4 and Co A to sweep into village, Co C to move in from opposite side.	Bde, Co C	hdc		
114	1910		Gunships receiving fire from village 100M to front of C/3-4	Bde, S3, S2	hdc		
115	1912		Co C needs DUSTOFF for 3 WIA	Bde, DUSTOFF	hdc		
116	1925		Co C reports 4 VC killed in trench	Bde, S2	hdc		
117	1935		Co C reports total of 4 WIA requests DUSTOFF	Bde, DUSTOFF	hdc		
118	1950		Co C moving east now negative contact at this time. Co A about 150M E of village.	Bde, M, S3	hdc		
119	2015		Snorkel to be firing at 775445 under Co A control.	Bde, S3, M	co		
120	2017		C/3-4 closed LZ Liz	Bde, M, arty	co		
121	2030		Co C closed with Co A	Bde, S3	co		
122	2037		Co C pulling outer perimeter and Co A has inner perimeter to give Co A a rest. Co C has 4 reinforced LZs out.	Bde, S3	co		
123	2038		106 RRs to fire H & I to NW along RR tracks	Bde, M, S2	co		
124	2330		C/3-4 total enemy killed is 20	Bde, S3, S2	co		
125		2400	SUMMARY: At 0055H Co A loc vic 773455 was probed by an est en sqd from 2 directions NE & SW. At 0147H Co A came under heavy attack				

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