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3d AT Bn

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PART I

1. Reporting Unit 3d Antitank Battalion (-)(Rein).

2. Period Covered 1 August - 31 August 1965.

3. Date of Submission 8 September 1965.

4. Commanding Officer 1 August - 31 August 1965,
Lieutenant Colonel BRUCE A. HEFLIN.

5. Command Post Republic of South Vietnam, AT987711 - Map SVN Series L701, Sheet No. 6659 III and 6658 IV.

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PART II

BACKGROUND

During the month of August 1965 the 3d Antitank Battalion (-) (Rein) consisting of H&S Company (9 Officers, 94 Enlisted, 7 Navy Enlisted) was located in a semi-permanent bivouac AT987711. During the month increased activity was noted in areas of Maintenance and Logistical support given Company "A" and Company "C", 3d Antitank Battalion located in the DaNang enclave.

MISSION

The Battalion was assigned the mission of general support of the 3d Marine Division with two companies in direct support and two companies attached to the four infantry regiments.

CHRONOLOGICAL SUMMARY OF EVENTS

1. The 3d Antitank Battalion on 1 August 1965 was deployed in the following manner:

a. H&S Company consisting of the Command Group, 8 Officers, 94 Enlisted and 4 Navy Enlisted, bivouacked AT987711 DaNang, Republic of South Vietnam.
b. Company "A" (-) (Rein) in direct support of the 3d Marine Regiment.
(1) 1st platoon Company "A" direct support of the 1st Battalion, 3d Marines.
(2) 2nd platoon Company "A" direct support of the 2nd Battalion, 3d Marines.
(3) 3d platoon Company "A" attached to the 3d Battalion, 4th Marines.
c. Company "B" (Rein) attached to the 4th Marine Regiment.
(1) 1st platoon Company "B" in direct support of the 1st Battalion, 4th Marines.
(2) 2nd platoon Company "B" in direct support of the 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines.
(3) 3d platoon Company "B" in direct support of the 3d Battalion, 3d Marines.
d. Company "C" (-) (Rein) in direct support of the 9th Marine Regiment.
(1) 1st platoon Company "C" in direct support of the 1st Battalion, 9th Marines.
(2) 2nd platoon Company "C" in direct support of the 2nd Battalion, 9th Marines.

2. During the month of August the Maintenance section dispatched contact teams to the field to repair vehicles deployed with front line infantry companies. In addition to the contact team work the Maintenance section worked on and repaired 36 Ontos vehicles, and deprocessed and test fired two mount out vehicles for combat replacement.

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3. On 9 August 1965 the Battalion C.P. received approximately three rounds of 60mm Mortar and five rounds of 81mm Mortar fire. Four WIA were sustained, only one Marine was evacuated requiring a three day convalescence. All others were returned to duty. C.P. operations continued with increased emphasis on the improvement of bunkers and over head cover. All defensive positions were improved and personal shelters were constructed near working and living spaces. The Headquarters Commandant organized and trained a security and reaction squad for future C.P. contingency defense purposes.

4. Additional deployment of units during the month of August.

a. Company "C" (-) (Rein) 1st Antitank Battalion (-2nd and 3d platoon) landed at CHU LAI on 14 August 1965. The 1st platoon Company "C" was assigned direct support of the 1st Battalion, 7th Marines.

b. The 3d platoon company "C", 3d Antitank Battalion landed at DaNang on 16 August 1965 and joined Company "C", 3d Antitank Battalion. They were assigned a direct support role for the 3d Battalion, 9th Marines.

c. The 3d platoon Company "C" 1st Antitank Battalion landed at CHU LAI on 18 August 1965 and was assigned a direct support role for the 3d Battalion, 7th Marines.

5. Special operations.

a. 18 August saw the start of Operation Starlight. Under the operational control of the 7th Marine Regiment, Company "B" (-) (-1st platoon) supported the operation. Employment of the Ontos demonstrated its versitility, speed and mobility on the battle field. Never in one spot long enough to draw other than small arms fire, the enemy did not have the ability to find, fix or destroy the Ontos with a major caliber weapon. By being close to the front line Marine and moving rapidly from trouble spot to trouble spot in support of the infantry, the Ontos was able to bring effective fire to bear against the enemy and avoid anti tank weapons. Principle use of the Ontos was in close support with the 30 caliber machine gun against troops in rice paddies and hedgerows. Major caliber rounds were expended against fortified positions and bunkers.

6. On 31 August 1965 the 3d Antitank Battalion was deployed as follows:

a. H&S Company, Command Group consisting of 9 Officers, 97 Enlisted and 7 Navy Enlisted. (DaNang TAOR)

b. Company "A" (-) (Rein) in direct support of the 3d Marine Regiment.
(1) 1st platoon Company "A" in direct support of the 1st Battalion, 3d Marines. (DaNang TAOR)
(2) 2nd platoon Company "A" in direct support of the 2nd Battalion, 3d Marines. (DaNang TAOR)
(3) 3d platoon Company "A" attached to the 3d Battalion, 4th Marines. (Hue Phu Bai TAOR)

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c. Company "B" (Rein) attached to the 4th Marine Regiment.
(1) 1st platoon Company "B" in direct support of the 1st Battalion, 4th Marines. (Chu Lai TAOR)
(2) 2nd platoon Company "B" in direct support of the 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines. (Chu Lai TAOR)
(3) 3d platoon Company "B" in direct support of the 3d Battalion, 3d Marines. (Chu Lai TAOR)

d. Company "C" (Rein) in direct support of the 9th Marine Regiment.
(1) 1st platoon Company "C" in direct support of the 1st [redacted] Battalion, 9th Marines. (DaNang TAOR)
(2) 2nd platoon Company "C" in direct support of the 2nd Battalion, 9th Marines. (DaNang TAOR)
(3) 3d platoon Company "C" in direct support of the 3d Battalion, 9th Marines. (DaNang TAOR)

e. Company "C" (-) (Rein), 1st Antitank Battalion attached to the 7th Marine Regiment.
(1) 1st platoon Company "C" in direct support of the 1st Battalion, 7th Marines. (Chu Lai TAOR)
(2) 3d platoon Company "C" in direct support of the 3d Battalion, 7th Marines. (Chu Lai TAOR)

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CIVIL AFFAIRS

During the month of August this Battalion continued as an active participant in the People to People program. From the lessons that we learned during July the Battalion started off with a well planned program of Medical help. The visits to the Village of YEN BAC AT985708 were held on an average of three times a week. During this period the overall attitude of the Villagers has turned from hesitant acceptance with the appearance of friendliness, to an outright friendly and congenial feeling of welcome. A total of 965 Villagers received medical treatment during the month of August. The children were given candy by the Battalion, this was usually accomplished at the conclusion of each sick call. In one instance the members of the Battalion took up a collection among the Officers and Men, the money was used to buy shower shoes for the children. The day that the shower shoes were given out will long be remembered. The little children; up until then shoeless in most cases, were running around showing their new "Shoes". Fifty pair were distributed.

A decided difference has been noted in the Village populace. The fundamentals of hygiene stressed to the Villagers along with the gifts of soap has brought about a lessoning of the wide spread infection noted upon our initial visits.

Occasionally a new face is in evidence, a relative from an adjacent Village or Hamlet, or a visiting friend who readily takes advantage of the sick call. Vitamins have been added to our medical treatment. Though it is too early to see any change in the outward appearance of the children, they readily take their vitamin pills when given out.

In our People to People program medically speaking, the battalion has a feeling of accomplishment for the month of August. The times that we have given out candy and soap furnished by Operation Handclasp, have been both heart warming and sad, sad in that the children as well as most of the adults of our adopted village can find so much joy from so little.

The end of August has brought an over-all good feeling for our role in the People to People program, and we are looking forward to expanding our program in the months to come.

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1. 3d Antitank Bn. (-)
   H&S Co. (-)
   "A" Co. (-) Direct Support 3d Marines
   "C" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines

2. 010001-012400 Jul65 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities
   a. Continue normal C.P. operations.
   b. Continue improvement of defensive position.

4. plans.
   a. Continue C.P. operations.
   b. To improve defensive positions.

5. Miscellanious.
   a. Personal shortage remains the same.

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   "A" Co. (-) Direct Support 3d Marines
   "C" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines

2. o200014022400 Aug65 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.
   a. Maintenance Section repaired ONTOS, C-24.
   b. Heavy Fist 3, ontos crew test fired guns on Bn. Mount Out vehicle (no number) at 60 mm Mortar Range, Hoa Cam Training Center, AT963723, said vehicle to replace C-25 now deadlined. Ontos C-25 vehicle was deployed near the village of Dong Sam (1). Mount Out vehicle used as areplacement of C-25.
   c. Normal C.P. operations continue and improvement of defensive positions.

4. Plans.
   a. To comtinue normal C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.

5. Miscellanious.
   a. Joined 1 GySgt 311400 Jul65 assigned "C" Co. for duty. Joined 1 W.O. 311400 Jul65 Assigned Adj. this Bn.
   b. Two Lt.'s 1 Sgt. , 1 Sgt. Inter-Battalion reassignments.
   c. Civil Affairs. Heavy Fist 3, Heavy Fist 10, 9th Mar. M.D., 2 Corpsman, 4 guards visited the Hamlet of Yen Bac AT985708. Held sick call at 021430 Aug65. Treated 12 adults and 18 children. Distributed candy donated by AT.Bn. to children. Attitude of villagers, friendly.

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   "C" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines

2. 020001-022400 Aug65 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.
   a. Maintenance Section Contact Team, repaired electrical system of one ONTOS in the field, vehicle C-15 of the 1st. Platoon Company "C".
   b. Normal C.P. operations continue and improvement of defensive positions.

4. Plans.
   a. To continue normal C.P. operations and begin construction of permanent type mutually supporting bunkers.

5. Miscellanious.
   a. Held sick call in the village of Yen Bac AT985708 at 1430. Twelve adults and 22 children attended, treated 8 adults and 15 children. Gave candy to children. Attitude of the villagers was relaxed and happy. Heavy Fist 3, Heavy Fist 10, 2 Medical Corpsman and 4 guards participated.

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   "A" Co. (-) Direct Support 3d Marines
   "C" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines

2. 040001-042400 Aug65 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.
   a. Maintenance Section received Ontos vehicle C-25 back from Service Battalion. No vehicles on deadline this date.
   b. Normal C.P. oper tions continue and improvement of defensive positions.

4. Plans.
   a. To continue normal C.P. operations and continue construction of perminent type mutually supporting bunkers.
   b. Plan to substitute vehicle C-25 for mount out vehicle in the field. (Note Sitrep 020001-022400 Aug 65.

5. Miscellanious.
   a. Heavy Fist 3, Heavy Fist 10, 2 Corpsman, 6 guards, 1 ARVN interpeter held sick call in the village of Yen Bac, AT985708 at 1430. Treated 16 adults and 18 children. Distributed candy to children. Attitude normal, cheerful and friendly.

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   "A" Co. (-) Direct Support 3d Marines
   "C" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines

2. 050001-052400 Aug65 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.
   a. Heavy Fist 6, Heavy Fist 3, Heavy Fist 1, and Heavy Fist 10 made liaison visit with 2d Platoon "A" Company AT900820 at 051300 Aug65. No problems encountered.
   b. Normal C.P. operations continue and improvement of bunkers.
   c. Maintenance Section pulled quarterly on Untos vehicle C-25.

4. Plans.
   a. To continue normal C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.

5. Miscellanious.
   a. Heavy Fist 3, Heavy Fist 4, Heavy Fist 10, 2 Corpsman and 6 guards held sick call in the village of Yen Bac AT985708 at 1430. Treated 34 children and 14 adults. Attitude was friendly.

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   H&S Co. (-)
   "A" Co. (-) Direct Support 3d Marines
   "C" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines

2. 060001-062400 Aug65 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.
   a. Maintenance completed quarterly on Ontos vehicle C-25.
   b. Continue normal C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.

4. Plans.
   a. Continue normal C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.
   b. Plan to replace Ontos vehicle C-25, (see SITREP 040001-042400) for mount-out vehicle at 071500 Jul65.

5. Miscellanious.
   a. Heavy Fist 10, Heavy Fist 1, 2 Corpsman, 6 guards visited the village of Yen Bac AT985708 and held sick call at 1400. Treated 8 adults and 20 children. Attitude of the villagers was friendly.

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   H&S Co. (-)
   "A" Co. (-) Direct Support 3d Marines
   "C" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines

2. 070001-072400 Aug65 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.
   a. Mr. Al TEDESCO, OSD/ARPA, The Pentagon, Mr. Don ROGERS, OSD/ARPA, RDFU-V, Saigon visited 3d Antitank Battalion Liaison visit concerning mobility and logistics of the Ontos. Said representatives of OSD Pentagon and OSD Saigon were extremely impressed with the Maintenance, Logistics and operational aspects of the Ontos. Said representatives given lecture on Maintenance by Maintenance Officer, operational lecture by Commanding Officer of "A" Company, Company "C" Commanding Officer , and Commanding Officer H&S Company. General capabilities and type of support given the Infantry in the field expounded by Heavy Fist 6 and Heavy Fist 3. OSD representatives given field run in the Ontos to Hill 327. Demonstration a success and said representatives completely sold on the manuverability and flexability of a light track direct fire Infantry weapon. They suggested said weapon might be of value to the 173 Airborne Brigade in Bien Hoa.

   b. Maintenance Platoon received vehicle C-11 for repair, turned same into Service Battalion with DDD 11 Aug65.

4. Miscellanious.
   a. Heavy Fist 10, 2 Corpsman, 6 guards visited the village of Yen Bac AT985708 Held sick call at 1400, treated 32 children and 18 adults. Vitamins given ermass to villagers. Removed by surgical excision from 30 year old Vietnamese male from right elbow area a foreign body , under 170 xylocme. Foreign body believed to be bamboo strip. Zetracycline 250 mgm @ 4 times daily for three days. Pressure dressing applied. Will see Medical Representative in 30 days.
   Candy was passed out to the children, attitude of the villagers was friendly and congenial.

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1. 3d Antitank Bn. (-)
   H&S Co. (-)
   "A" Co. (-) Direct Support 3d Marines
   "C" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines

2. 080001-082400 Aug65 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.
   a. Ontos vehicle C-14 hit a land mine 071410 August 65 AT044690 while moving down road to assume position. Vehicle repaired by Maintenance Section in the field and driven to C.P. Said vehicle turned into Service Battalion for extensive repairs,(replace side channel) with no DDO.

   b. Received call from DREAM 6 at 1615 that they had received sniper fire and after dispatching 2 patrolls, indications were that in their opinion the lone sniper headed for the Hamlet of Yen Bac AT985708 Informed SMOKE ROOM 3, no further contact made.

   c. Continue normal C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.

4. Plans.
   a. Continue normal C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.

5. Miscellanious.
   a. Personnel shortage remains the same.

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1. 3d Antitank Bn. (-)
   H&S Co. (-)
   "A" Co. (-) Direct Support 3d Marines
   "C" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines

2. 090001-092400 Aug65 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.
   a. Maintenance Section returned Ontos vehicle C-25 to 2nd Platoon Company "C" for Battalion Mount out Ontos. (see SITREP 310001-312400).

   b. Replaced mined vehicle C-14 (see SITREP 080001-082400) with Battalion Mount out vehicle.

   c. Heavy Fist 6, Heavy Fist 3, Battalion Supply Officer, Battalion Maintenance Officer, Heavy Fist 1 made a liaison resupply visit to 3d Platoon "B" Company at Hue Phu Bai. No problems encountered.

   d. Normal C.P. operations to continue and improvement of defensive positions.

4. Plans.
   a. To continue C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.

5. Miscellanious.
   a. Heavy Fist 10,9th Marines Medical Officer, 2 Heavy Fist Corpsman, 6 guards visited the Hamlet of Yen Bac AT985708. Treated 19 adults and 45 children, attitude of the villagers was very friendly and congenial.

   b. Personal shortage remains the same.

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   H&S Co. (-)
   "A" Co. (-) Direct Support 3d Marines
   "C" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines

2. 100001-102400 Aug65 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.
   a. Received approximately 3 rounds of 60mm enemy mortar and four rounds of 81mm mortar fire in C.P. area, AT987711 on 091130 Aug65. The Battalion sustained 4 WIA'S one KIA evacuated to "C" Medical. Three returned to duty, damage to C.P.,12 oil cans, 1 water can, 1 5 ton tire, 5 6x6 tires.

   b. Maintenance Section repaired Ontos vehicle C-24 from "C" Company.

   c. Normal C.P. operations and increased work on improvement of defensive positions, to include improvement of over head cover.

4. Plans.
   a. To continue C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.

5. Miscellanious.
   a. Personnel shortage remains critical.

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   H&S Co. (-)
   "A" Co. (-) Direct Support 3d Marines
   "C" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines

2. 110001-112400 Aug65 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.
   a. Heavy Fist 6 and 3 made liaison visit to 1st platoon "C" Company AT BT075708. No problems encountered.

   b. Maintenance received Ontos vehicle C-13 from "C" Company and commenced repairs.

   d. 81mm dud located this C.P. AT987711 on 111400 Aug65 . Notified Senator 2 and requested he notify Kit Carson 108.

   d. EOD team recovered one U.S. 81mm Mortar A.T. Light AT101630 Aug65. Dud located Battalion C.P. AT987711. Dud removed from area by EOD team.

   e. Normal C.P. operations continue, improvement of bunkers and individual protective

4. Plans.
   a. To continue normal C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.

5. Miscellaneous.
   a. Personnel shortages
      2 Major 1802
      1 Major 0302
      3 Captain 0302
      1 Lieutenant 1802
      1 Lieutenant 0130
      1 Lieutenant (Navy) 2100

      1 SSgt 0141
      1 GySgt 0369
      1 First Sgt 9994
      1 MSgt 0369
      1 SSgt 3537
      7 SSgt 0369
      1 SSgt 3516

   b. Critical shortages that need immediate attention to alleviate personnel needs and support operational commitments of this Battalion are as follows:
      1 Major 0302/1802
      2 Captain 0302
      1 Lieutenant 1802

      1 SSgt 0141
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1 GySgt 0369
1 First Sgt 9999
7 SSgt 0369

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1. 3d Antitank Bn. (-)
   H&S Co. (-)
   "A" Co. (-) Direct Support 3d Marines
   "C" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines

2. 120001-122400 Aug65 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.
   a. Maintenance Section performed quarterly on Ontos vehicle C-22.

   b. Normal C.P operations continue and improvement of defensive positions.

   c. Communication Section pulled 2nd echeleon maintenance on radios on Ontos vehicle C-22.

4. Plans.
   a. To continue C.P. operations and improvement of defensive locations.

5. Miscellanious.
   a. Heavy Plat 10, 2 Corpsman and 6 guards visited the village of Yen Bae AT985708aand held sick call from 1400-1500. Treated 20 adults and 58 children. Attitude of the villagers was friendly and congenial.

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1. 3d Antitank Bn. (-)
   H&S Co. (-)
   "A" Co. (-) Direct Support 3d Marines
   "C" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines

2. 130001-132400 Aug65 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.
   a. Maintenance Section completed repairs on Ontos vehicle C-11 from Company "C".

      Performed quarterly on Ontos vehicle C-21 from Company "C".

   b. Communications Platoon performed 2nd echeleon on radios on Ontos vehicle C-21 from Company "C".

   c. Continue normal C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.

   d. 1 Officer , 13 enlisted from 3d AT.Bn., 1 Officer, 17 enlisted from 3d Tank Bn., 1 ARVN Interpreter and Security Officer from Hoa Com Training Center. conducted a patrol at 225 degrees, distance of 1040 meters from AT987711. Patrol was to investigate and determine source of reconnoitterivity, patrol determined house being used by refugees, no enemy contact made.

4. Plans.
   a. To continue normal C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.

5. Miscellanious.
   a. Heavy Fist 10, Medical Officer from 9th Marines, 2 Corpsman, 6 guards visited the village of Yen Bac AT985708. Held sick call, treated 18 adults and 61 children. Eight sutures were taken in the left hand of Vietnam male. Attitude of villagers, happy and congenial.

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1. 3d Antitank Bn. (-)
   H&S Co. (-)
   "A" Co. (-) Direct Support 3d Marines
   "C" Co. (-) Direct support 9th Marines

2. 140001-142400 Aug65 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.
   a. Maintenance Section performed quarterly on Ontos vehicle C-15.
   b. Communications platoon performed 2nd echelon repairs of radios on Ontos vehicle C-15, two units deadlined and returned to FLSG with no RDD.
   c. Normal C.P. operations continue and improvement of defensive positions.

4. Plans.
   a. To continue C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.

5. Miscellanious.
   a. Heavy Fist 10, 2 Corpsman, 6 guards visited the village of Yen Bac AT985708. Held sick call at 1430. Treated 25 adults and 45 children. Attitude of the villagers was friendly and congenial.

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1. 3 d Antitank Battalion (-)
   H&S Co. (-)
   "A" Co. (-) Direct Support 3d Marines
   "C" Co. Direct Support 9th Marines

2. 150001-152400 Aug65 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.
   a. Maintenance Section commenced repairs of Ontos vehicle C-11, C-15 and C-21 from Company "C".
   b. Communication platoon performed 2nd echeleon radio check of C-11, C-15 and C-24 from Company "C".
   c. Normal C.P. operations continue and improvement of defensive positions.
   d. Commanding General attended Memorial Services in 3d Antitank Battalion area 151630 Aug65.

4 Plans.
   a. To continue normal C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.

5. Miscellanious.
   a. Personnel shortage remains critical.

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1. 3d Antitank Bn. (-)
   H&S Co. (-)
   "A" Co. (-) Direct Support 3d Marines
   "C" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines

2. 160001-162400 Aug65 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.
   a. One light section of Ontos (two Ontos) of the 2nd Platoon Company "C" reported enemy fire in the vicinity of BT000715 at 142000 Aug65. Arriving at the scene, 3 seriously wounded Vietnamese were observed by the road. One Ontos was immediatly dispatched to escort an ambulance and squad of Infantry from 2nd Battalion 9th Marines area. One of the wounded died before the ambulance arrived, the remaining two wounded were placed in the ambulance and returned under escort of the Ontos to the 2nd Battalion 9th Marines C.P., the second Ontos escorted the Infantry squad back to the 2nd Battalion 9th Marines C.P. It was surmised that several V.C.'s executed a well planed ambush of the village senteries.
   b. Maintenance section returned to Company "C" Ontos vehicle C-21 and C-11 after completing repairs.
   c. Normal C.P. operations continue and improvement of defensive positions.

4. Plans.
   a. To continue normal C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.

5. Miscellanious.
   a. Heavy Fist 10,1 Antitank Battalion Corpsman, 6 guards visited the village of Yen Bac AT985708. Held sick call, treated 21 adults and 25 children. Attitude of the villagers friendly and congenial.

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   "A" Co. (-) Direct Support 3d Marines
   "C" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines

2. 170001-172400 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.
   a. 3d Antitank Battalion observed S/A fire at 2315 from AT985707, directed over the South West portion of the Battalion perimeter. About six men on line were observed 50-100 yards South West of the perimeter fence line. Flame tank from 3d Tank Battalion returned fire and it appeared that one V.C. was hit. No U.S.M.C. casualities.

   b. 3d Antitank Battalion sent out recon patrol of 10 men at 0800. Mission to search village of Yen Bac AT985708, and the area directly to the front of 3d Antitank Battalion for evidence of presence of V.C. activity. Negative results, except fin section from 60 mm Mortars found in the village area, note SITREP (100001-102400). Villagers are now constructing bunkers.

   c. Normal C.P. operations continue, extending of barbed wire and improvement of defensive positions.

   d. Maintenance section received Ontos vehicle A-12 from Company "A" for repairs. Received Ontos vehicle C-24 from Company "C" for repairs.

4. Plans.
   a. To continue normal C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.

5. Miscellanious.
   a. Personnel shortages remain critical.
   b. Captain O.R. EDMONDSON joined 3d Antitank Battalion 15 Aug65, assigned billet as Battalion Executive Officer

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   "C" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines

2. 180001-182400 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.
   a. Antitank Battalion test fired and zeroed mount out Ontos vehicle and test fired 3.5 rocket launcher, 171300 Aug 65 AT898821.
   b. Maintenance continue repairs of Ontos vehicle A-12 and C-24.
   c. Normal C.P. operations continue with increased work on defensive positions.
   d. 50% security maintained during the hours of darkness.

4. Plans.
   a. To continue C.P. operations and improvement of bunkers and overhead covering.

5. Miscellanious.
   a. Personnel shortage remains critical.

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   "C" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines

2. 190001-192400 Aug 65 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.

   a. Maintenance Section performed LTI on Ontos Vehicles 3-1, 3-2, 3-3, 3-4 and 3-5 from 3d platoon, "C" Company, 3d Antitank Battalion.

   b. Communications Platoon performed second echelon maintenance on Ontos radios in Ontos vehicle C-34, "C" Company, 3d Antitank Battalion. Awaiting parts to complete repairs.

   c. This Battalion sustained one KIA and 2 WIA in operations at Chu Lai from "B" Company, 3d Antitank Battalion attached to 4th Marines.

   d. Normal C.P. operations continue with increased work on defensive positions.

4. Plans.

   a. To continue normal C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.

5. Miscellanious.

   a. Personnel shortages remain critical.

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   "A"ACo. (-) Direct Support 3d Marines
   "E" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines

2. 200001-202400 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.
   a. Maintenance Section completed repairs on Ontos vehicle C-24 and C-34 from company "C". Vehicle being returned to company.
   b. Normal C.P. operations continue and improvement of defensive positions.
   c. Provided 3d Tank Battalion 192300 Aug65 with 3 men for ambush patrol to AT982702. Patrol returned at first light, no enemy contact.

4. Plans.
   a. To continue normal C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.

5. Miscellanious.
   a. This Battalion joined 2, 2d Class Corpsman 191700 Aug65 from Air Defense Battalion for duty.

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   "A" Co. (-) Direct Support 3d Marines
   "C" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines

2. 210001-212400 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.
   a. Company "A" 3d Antitank Battalion situation report for period 130001H-192400H Aug65
      (1) 1st Platoon Company "A" 3d Antitank Battalion, alert during the hours of darkness by setting up defensive positions in the "B" Company 1st Battalion 3d Marines area AT077108.
      (2) 2nd Platoon Company "A", the light section (2 Ontos) deployed at Le My was rotated with a light section deployed the 2nd Battalion 3d Marines C.P. The platoon assumed 100% alert during the hours of darkness, a light section taking defensive positions with "E" Company, 3d Marines at Le My and the heavy section as a reaction force at 2nd Battalion 3d Marines, C.P.
      (3) 3d Platoon Bravo Company at HUE PHU BAI remains attached to 3d Battalion 4th Marines. Two operations were planned, but cancelled
         A. Light section continued to take up defensive positions during the hours of darkness.
      (4) Company "A" plans are to have 1st platoon move with 1st Battalion 3d Marines across the Song Tuy Loan river, will test fire as soon as possible and occupy position south of said river.
      (5) Miscellanious. Company "A" maintenance still has high priority. All Ontos quarterlied, one mite deadlined for clutch.
   b. Company "C" situation report 3d Antitank Battalion, for the period of 130001H-202400H Aug65.
      (1) On 18 Aug 1st platoon with 4 Ontos in direct support of 2nd Battalion 9th Marines patrolled salts flats south of Yen Ne complex Uncovered several spider holes and remained in defensive position with Company "H" throughout the night. Ontos also utilized for evacuation and essential supply.
      (2) On 19 Aug65 heavy section (3 Ontos) in direct support Company "C" 1st Battalion 9th Marines, vicinity of Liem Lac. One section to Yen Ne on recon with Infantry unit commander from 1st Battalion 9th Marines.
   c. Heavy Fist 3, Heavy Fist 2, Heavy Fist 34 and 2 guards apprehended one VCS vicinity AT985706 at 201660H. Suspect had been observed [illegible] tree at dusk for past two days. Heavy Fist 2 escorted suspect to 3 MAF collection point. No confirmaion as to atatus of VCS to date.
   d. Heavy Fist 6 presented Purple Heart award to 4 Enlisted members of this command at ceremonies 211030H Aug65. Awards presented as a result of enemy action 092330H Aug65 (note SITREP 100001-102400).
   e. Normal Command Post oprtations continue with increased emphasis on improvement of defensive positions and overhead cover and wire entanglement.

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f. Maintenance section received Ontos vehicle C-34 and C-25 from Company "C" for repairs.

4. Plans.
   a. To continue normal Command Post operations and improvement of defensive positions.

5. Miscellanious.
   a. Personnel shortages remain critical, during operation Starlite it became apparent for the need of a Company Executive Officer. The Company Commander of "B" Company was wounded during operation Starlite. He refused evacuation and remained with his duties during the operation till it was over. Obviously he could have been assisted in his duties during this critical time by an Executive Officer. When platoons are deployed the Company Commander must visit and guide his latoons in the field, he therefore exposes himself to hostile fire, consequently it is essential to have an Executive Officer to carry on the continuity of command when the Company Commander becomes a casuality To fill the needs this Battalion will require 4 1802 Lieutenants.
   b. Heavy Fist 10, 2 Corpsman visited the village of Yen Bae AT985708 Held sick call at 1430, treated 14 adults and 22 children, attitude of the villagers was friendly and congenial.

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   "C" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines

2. 220001-222400 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.
   a. Normal C.P. operations continue, increased work continue on defensive positions.
   b. Command Communication bunker near completion.

4. Plans.
   a. To continue normal C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.

5. Miscellanious.
   a. Personnel shortage remains critical.

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   "C" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines

2. 230001-232400 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.
   a. Maintenance continues repairs of Ontoss vehicles C-34 and C-35 from Company "C".
   b. Normal C.P. operations continue and improvement of defensive positions

4. Plans
   a. To continue normal C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.

5. Miscellanious.
   a. This Battalion joined from Portsmouth, Virginia and El Toro MAS, 2EM's for duty.
   b. Heavy Fist 10, 2 Corpsman and 6 guards visited the village of Yen Bae AT985708 and held sick call at 1430. Treated 44 children and 24 adults. Attitude of the villagers was friendly and congenial.
   c. Personnel shortage remains critical.

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   "B" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines

2. 240001-242400 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.
   a. Maintenance section turned in one Ontos vehicle, C-34 from "C" Company to FSR with no DDD.

   b. Normal C.P. operations continue and improvement of defensive positions.

4. Plans.
   a. To continue normal C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.

   b. Selected recreational center and shower point for the children of Yen Bac AT985708.

5. Miscellaneous.
   a. Heavy Fist 3, Heavy Fist 10, 3 Corpsman and 4 guards visited the village of Yen Bac, AT985708. Held sick call at 1430, treated 13 adults and 59 children.

   b. Personnel shortage remains critical.

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   "B" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines

2. 250001-252400 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.
   a. Normal C.P. operations continue and improvement of defensive positions.

   b. Maintenance section returned Ontos vehicle A-15 to Alpha Company.

4. Plans.
   a. To continue normal C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.

5. Miscellanious.
   a. Heavy Fist 10, 2 Corpsman, 4 guards and 1 ARVN Interpreter visited the village of Yen Bac AT985706. Held sick Call at 1400 Treated 24 adults and 36 children.

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   "A" Co. (-) Direct Support 3d Marines
   "C" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines

2. 260001-262400 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.
   a. Maintenance section completed repairs on Ontos vehicle C-31 and returned same to Company "C".

   b. Normal C.P. operations continue and improvement of defensive positions and barbed wire.

4. Plans.
   a. To continue normal C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.

5. Miscellaneous.
   a. Personnel shortage remains critical.

   b. Enlisted from 3d Antitank Battalion donated 50 pairs rubber shower shoes to the children of Yen Bac AT985706.

   c. 3d Antitank Battalion donated 12 pints of blood to USOM HOSPITAL in DaNang.

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   "A" Co. (-) Direct Support 3d Marines
   "C" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines

2. 270001-272400 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.
   a. Light section of Ontos from 1st Platoon Company "A" supported Company "E" in a company size sweep from 868835 to 890830 26 Aug65. No VC contact.

   b. Maintenance returned Ontos vehicle A-12 to Company "A". Received Received Ontos vehicle C-12 from Company "c" for repairs.

   c. Normal C.P. operations continue with improvement of defensive positions.

4. Plans.
   a. To continue Normal C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.

5. Miscellanious.
   a. Colonel BRUCE A. HEFLIN, Battalion Commander presented to the children of Yen Bac AT985708 30 pairs of rubber shower shoes at 1500.

   b. S-3, CommO, 3 Corpsman held sick call in the village of Yen Bac AT985708 at 1430. Treated 34 adults and 48 children.

   c. One L/Cpl departed this Battalion on emergency leave.

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   "A" Co. (-) Direct Support 3d Marines
   "C" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines

2. 280001-282400 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.
   a. Maintenance section returned Ontos vehicle C-21 to Company "C".

   b. Normal C.P. operations continue and improvement of defensive positions.

4. Plans.
   a. To continue normal C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.

5. Miscellaneous.
   a. S-3 Officer, Battalion CommO, Medical Officer from 9th Marines 2 Corpsman and 4 guards visited the village of Yen Bae AT985708 Treated 33 adults and 48 children. Attitude of the villagers very friendly and congenial.

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   H&S Co. (-)
   "A" Co. (-) Direct support 3d Marines
   "C" Co. (-) Direct support 9th Marines

2. 290001-292400 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.
   a. Normal C.P. operations continue and improvement of defensive positions.

4. Plans.
   a. To continue normal C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.

5. Miscellaneous.
   a. Personnel shortage remains critical.

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   "C" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines

2. 300001-302400 Aug65 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.

   a. Maintenance section returned Ontos vehicle C-15 and C-24 to Company "C".

   b. Normal C.P. operations continue and improvement of defensive positions.

4. Plans.

   a. To continue normal C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.

5. Miscellanious.

   a. S-3, CommO, 2 Corpsman and 4 guards visited the village of Yen Bao AT985706. Held sick call at 1430, treated 30 adults and 51 children. Definate increase in village populace noted. Attitude of the villagers was friendly.

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   H&S Co. (-)
   "A" Co. (-) Direct Support 3d Marines
   "C" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines

2. 310001-312400 (Time Zone H)

3. Activities.

   a. H&S Company fired a familiarization course for new personnel with the 45 cal. pistol, M-14 rifle and M 60 machine gun and test fired the remainder of the Company with the same weapon. Firing and instruction held at Hoa Cam Training center, AT . All personnel were instructed in the proper handling of each weapon.

   b. H&S continue to hold classes concerning uses of grenades and pyrotechnics and the safety factors involved with each.

   c. Maintenance section continue repairs of "C" 23 and "C" 34.

   d. Normal C.P. operations continue and improvement of defensive positions.

4. Plans.
   a. To continue normal C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.

5. Miscellaneous:
   a. S-3, Comm0, 2 Corpsman and 4 guards visited the village of Yen Bac AT985708. Held sick call at 1400, treated 18 adults and 36 children. Attitude of the villagers was friendly and congenial. A few problems were solved at the local level today during a land clearing operation a few bamboo trees and a mangrove tree were damaged. The Vietnamese people involved indicated that any solution we could arrive at was alright with them, because we are affording them security and protection. They said the people are glad weare here. They don't want to damage relations with Americans.

   b. Note SITREP 270001-272400 picture shows Lieutenant Colonel BRUCE A. HEFLIN fitting VIETNAMESE children with shower shoes.

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0630		1		From 2400-0630 50% Security, no enemy contact.	F
1630		2		Continue normal C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.	F
2400		3		From 1900-2400 50% Security, no enemy contact.	F

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0630		1		From 2400 - 0630 50% Security, no problems encountered, no enemy contact.	F
1600		2		Maintenance Section repaired ONTOS, C-24 Heavy Fist 3, ONTOS crew test fired guns on Bn. mount out vehicle (no number) at 60mm Mortar Range, Hoa Cam Training Center, AT963723, said vehicle to replace C-25 now deadlined. ONTOS C-25 vehicle was deployed near the village of Dong Son (1). Mount Out vehicle used as a replacement of C-25. Normal C.P. operations continue and improvement of defensive positions.	F
2400		3		Joined 1 GySgt 311400 Jul65 assigned "C" Co. for duty. Joined 1 WO-1 G. Dohse/091301 assigned as Adjutant of this Battalion. Two Lt's, 1 S/Sgt, 1 Sgt. Inter-Battalion reassignments. Civil Affairs. Heavy Fist 3, Heavy Fist 10, 9th Marine M.D., Two Corpsman, 4 guards visited the Hamlet of Yen Bac AT985708. Held sick call at 021430 Aug.65. Treated 12 adults and 18 children. Attitude of villagers, friendly.	SF
2400		4		From 1900-2400 50% Security, no enemy contact.	F

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0630		1		From 2400-0630 50% Security, no enemy contact. One dud illumination grenade thrown 030004 Aug. 65	F
1600		2		Held sick call in the village of Yen Bac AT985708. Twelve adults and 22 children attended, 8 adults and 15 children were treated. Gave candy to children. Attitude of the villagers was relaxed and happy. Heavy Fist 3, Heavy Fist 10, two Corpsman and four guards participated.	F
1630		3		Maintenance Section Contact Team repaired electrical system on one ONTOS in the field, vehicle C-15, from Company "C".	F
2400		4		From 1900-2400 Normal C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions. 50% security, no enemy contact.	F

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0630		1.		From 2400-0630 ~~50% Security, no enemy contact~~	F
0535		2		Normal C. P. operations continue	F
1600		3		Maintenance Section received Ontos vehicle G-25, ~~returned~~ from FLSG	F
1630		4		Heavy Fist 3 and 10, along with two Corpsman, six guards, one ARVN interpreter held Sick Call in the Village of Yen Bac AT 985708 from 1430-1545. 16 Adults and 18 Children were treated. The children were given candy after sick call. The Adults were friendly and cheerful, the children were overjoyed with the medical care and candy.	F
2400		5		From: 1900-2400 50% Security, no enemy contact.	P

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0630		1		From 2400-0630 50% Security, No enemy contact	F
0635		2		Normal C. P. operations continue Maintenance starting Qtr. P. M. on ONTOS vehicle C-25	F
1600		3		Battalion Commander, Operations Officer, Adjutant and Communications Officer made liaison visit with 2d Platoon, Company "A" AT900820 at 051300 Aug65 nothing unusual noted, tactical situation remains the same.	F
1700		4		Battalion OperationsOfficer, Supply Officer and Communications Officer, along with two Corpsman and a six man security force held sick call at the Village of Yen Bac AT985708 from 1430-1530. 34 children and 14 adults were treated. The attitude of the people was very friendly.	F
2400		5		From 1900-0630 50% Security, no enemy contact.	F

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0630		1		From 2400-0630 50% C. P. Security, no enemy contact Normal C. P. operations continue	F
1430		2		Heavy Fist 10 and Heavy Fist 1, along with two Corpsman and a six man security force visited the village of Yen Bac AT985708. 20 Children and eight Adults were treated medically. The attitude of the villagers was friendly	F
1630		3		Maintenance Section completed Quarterly preventive maintenance servicing on ONTOS vehicle C-25	F
2400		4		From 1900-2400 50% Security, no enemy contact.	F

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0630		1		From 2400-0630, 50% Security, no enemy contact. Normal C. P. operations continue	F
1500		2		Mr. Al TEDESCO, OSD/ARPA, The Pentagon, Washington, D. C. and Mr. Don ROGERS, OSD/ARPA, RDFU-V, Saigon, So. Vietnam visited the Battalion on a liaison visit. They were particularly interested in the mobility and logistics of the ONTOS vehicle. They were extremely impressed with the Maintenance, logistics and Operational aspects of theONTOS. They were briefed by the Commanding Officer of Company "A", Company "C" and the Commanding Officer of H&S Company. The tactical aspects of the vehicle were explained by the Battalion Commander and the Operations Officer. They were given a field run in and ONTOS to Hill 327. The briefings and demonstrations were received so well by these OSD representitives that they felt the ONTOS with it's manuverability and flexability; as well it's value as a direct fire Infantry weapon, would be a welcome addition to the troops of the 173d Airborne Brigade, U.S. Army, in Bien Hoa. They suggested that it might be recommended as an addition to that unit.	F
1600		3		Maintenance Section received ONTOS vehicle C-11 from Company "C", and turned it into FLSG with DDD of 11Aug65	F
1630		4		Heavy Fist 10, along with two Corpsman and a security force of six guards visited the Village of Ten Bac and held sick call from 1430-1545. 32 Children were treated and 18 Adults received medical aid. After sick call Candy was distributed to the Children. The attitude of the Adults was congenial and friendly, the children were happy and enjoyed the candy.	F
2400		5		From: 1900-2400 50% Security for the C. P. , No enemy contact	F

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0630		1		From 2400-0630 50% Security, no enemy contact Normal C. P. operations continue	F
1530		2		ONTOS vehicle C-14 hit a land mine at 071410 Aug65 at BT044690 , Emergency field repairs made on site. As side channel was damaged this vehicle turned in to FLSG for extensive repairs, no DDD .	F
1615		3		From: Dream 6 Received call thatthey had received sniper small arms fire from East of their position AT9971. They sent two patrols out, it was determined by them that the lone sniper headed for the Village of Yen Bac AT985708.	SF
1830		4		Special briefing made for oncoming guard of the sniper incident.	F
2400		5		From 1900-2400 50% Security, no enemy contact	F

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M–Maps S–Staff T–Troops F–File)
0630		1		From 2400 - 0630 50% security, no enemy contact, normal C.P. operations continued.	
1200		2		From Maintenance: Replaced Ontos vehicle C-14 (see journal 080001 Aug65 - 082400 Aug65, Serial # 2) with a battalion Mount Out vehicle. Sent Ontos vehicle C-25 to 2nd platoon Company "C" and received a battalion mount out vehicle in return.	
1400		3		Battalion Commander, Operations Officer, Battalion Supply Officer, Maintenance Officer and the Adjutant made a liaison and resupply visit to the 3d platoon Company "B" at HUE PHU BAI No major trends encountered.	
1700		4		Communications Officer, 9th Marines Regimental Medical Officer and two Corpsman with a six man security force visited the village of YEN BAC AT985708. Sick call was held from 1430-1545. 45 children and 19 adults were given medical attention. The villagers were very friendly.	
2230		5		Received approximately three (3) rounds of 60mm mortars, and four (4) rounds of 81mm mortar fire in the C.P. area. The battalion sustained four WIA, evacuated one (1) man to "C" Med., the other three were treated by the battalion Corpsman as they sustained light wounds and were returned to duty. 100% security was actuated.	
2400		6		100% security continues. No further enemy contact.	

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TO (Date and hour): 102400 Aug65

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0630		1		From: 2400-0630 100% Security, no further enemy contact or Mortar fire.	F
0700		2		Normal C. P. operations continue, with increased work on Bunkers and other defensive projects.	F
1000		3		From Battalion S-4 Officer: Damage sustained from mortar barrage(See Journal 090001-092400 Aug65 serial No. 5) 12 oil cans, 1 water can, one five ton tire, five 6x6 tires and numerous small holes and tears in tenting throughout the C. P. area.	SF
1230		4		Work on over head cover of bunker area improved with extra sand bags, received from Supply Officer.	F
2400		5		From 1900-2400 50% security reestablished, no contact with enemy	F

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TO (Date and hour): 112400 Aug65

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M–Maps S–Staff T–Troops F–File)
0630		1		From 2400-0630 50% security, no enemy contact. Normal C.P. operations continued, with continued work on defensive positions.	F
1100		2		Battalion Commander and the Operations Officer made liaison visit to the 1st platoon Company "C" area required work on general appearance and police.	F
1400		3		An 81mm dud located in the C.P. area (Ref: Journal of 090001 - 092400 Aug65 Serial No. 5) at GC AT987711 E.O.D. notified and removed same.	SF
2400		4		From: 1900 - 2400 50% security, no enemy contact.	F

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TO (Date and hour): 122400 Aug65

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M–Maps S–Staff T–Troops F–File)
0630		1		From: 2400 - 0630 50% Security, no enemy contact Normal C. P. Operations continue, with improvement on defensive positions still high priority.	F
1400		2		Maintenance Section performed quarterly P. M. on ONTOS vehicle C-22 Communications Section pulled second echelon maintenance on ONTOS vehicle C-22	F
1630		3		Communications Officer, Two Corpsman with six man security guard visited the Village of Yen Bac AT 985708. Sick call was held from 1400-1500, with 58 Children and 20 Adults receiving medical attention. The attitude of the Villagers was friendly and congenial.	F
2400		4		From: 1900-2400 50% Security, no enemy contact.	F

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FROM (Date and hour): 130001 Aug65

TO (Date and hour): 132400 Aug65

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M–Maps, S–Staff, T–Troops, F–File)
0630		1		From 2400-0630 50% Security, no enemy contact. Normal C.P. Operations continue.	F
1600		2		Maintenance Section completed repairs on vehicle C-11 Communications Platoon performed 2nd echelon on radio on Ontos vehicle C-21.	F
1700		3		One Officer, 13 enlisted from 3d A.T., Bn., One Officer, 17 enlisted from 3d Tank Bn., One ARVN Interpreter and a Security Officer from Hoa Cam Training Center. Conducted a patrol at 225 degrees, distance of 1040 meters from AT987711. Patrol was to investigate and determine cause of activity, Patrol determined house being used by refugees, no enemy contact made.	F
1800		4		CommO, Medical Officer from 9th Marines, Two Corpsman, six guards visited the village of Yen Bac AT985708. Held sick call, treated 18 adults and 61 children. Attitude of villagers, friendly.	F
00		5		From 1800-2400 50% Security, no enemy contact.	F

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FROM (Date and hour): 140001 Aug65
TO (Date and hour): 142400 Aug 65

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M–Maps S–Staff T–Troops F–File)
0630		1		From 2400-0630 50% Security, no enemy contact. Normal C.P. operations continue.	F
1500		2		Maintenance Section performed quarterly on Ontos C-15, Communications plateon performed 2nd echeleon repairs of radios on Ontos vehicle C-15, two units deadlined and returned to FLSG with no RDD.	F
1600		3		CommO, two Corpsman, six guards visited the village of Yen Bac AT985708. Held sick call and treated 25 adults and 45 children. Attitude of the villagers was friendly.	F
2400		4		From 1900-2400 50% Security, no enemy contact.	F

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PLACE: DaNang, South Vietnam

FROM (Date and hour): 150001 Aug65

TO (Date and hour): 152400 Aug65

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M–Maps S–Staff T–Troops F–File)
0630		1		From 2400-0630 50% Security, no enemy contact. Normal C.P. operations continue.	F
1600		2		Maintenance Section commenced repairs of Ontos vehicle C-11, C-15, and C-24. Communication platoon performed 2nd echeleon radio check of C-11, C-15, and C-24 of Company "C".	F
1630		3		Commanding General attended Memorial Services in 3d Antitank Battalion area 151630 Aug65.	F
2400		4		From 1900-2400 50% Security, no enemy contact.	F

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PLACE: DaNang, South Vietnam
FROM (Date and hour): 160001 Aug65
TO (Date and hour): 162400 Aug65

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M–Maps S–Staff T–Troops F–File)
0630		1		From 2400-0630 50% Security, no enemy contact. Normal C.P. operations continue.	F
1700		2		CommO, one Corpsman, six guards. Visited the village of Yen Bac AT985708. Held sick call, treated 21 adults and 25 children. Attitude of the villagers friendly.	F
1730		3		One light section of Ontos (two Ontos) of the 2nd Platoon, Company "C" reported enemy fire in the vicinity of BT000715 at 142000 Aug65. Arriving on the scene, three seriously wounded Vietnamese were found by the roadside. An ambulance with a squad of infantry from 2nd Battalion 9th Marines and one Ontos was immediatly sent to the scene. Upon arriving one Vietnamese was D.O.A., the other two were taken by ambulance, with escort of one Ontos to the 2nd Battalion 9th Marines C.P., shortly there after. It was determined later that several V.C.'s had ambushed the village sentry and then fled. The other Ontos with infantry escort returned to C.P.	F
1800		4		Maintenance Section returned to Company "C" vehicles C-21 and C-11 after completing repairs.	F
2400		5		From 1900-2400 50% Security, no enemy contact.	F

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PLACE: DaNang, South Vietnam

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TO (Date and hour): 172400 Aug65

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M–Maps, S–Staff, T–Troops, F–File)
0630		1		From 2400-0630 50% Security, no enemy contact. Normal C.P. operations continue.	
0800		2		Recon Patrol of 10 men ~~searched~~ Searched the village of Yen Bac AT985708. Villagers are now building bunkers.	
[illegible]00		3		Defensive positions improved by extending barbed wire.	
1630		4		Maintenance received Ontos# A-12 from Company "A" for repairs, also received Ontos C-24 from Company "C" for repairs.	
1645		5		Captain O.R. Edmondson joined as of 15Aug65 assigned billet as Battalion Executive Officer.	
2400		6		From 1900-2400 50% Security, no enemy contact. Normal C.P. operations Continue.	

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PLACE: DaNang, South Vietnam

FROM (Date and hour): 180001 Aug65

TO (Date and hour): 182400 Aug65

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M–Maps S–Staff T–Troops F–File)
0630		1		From 0630-2400 50% Security, no enemy contact. Normal C.P. operations continue.	F
1300		2		Antitank Battalion test fired and zeroed mount out ONTOS and test fired 3.5 rocket launcher, AT898821.	F
1600		3		Maintenance continues repair on ONTOS vehicle A-12 and C-24.	F
2400		4		From 1900 - 2400 50% security, no enemy contact.	F

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PLACE: DaNang, South Vietnam
FROM (Date and hour): 190001 Aug65
TO (Date and hour): 192400 Aug65

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M–Maps S–Staff T–Troops F–File)
0630		1		From 2400 - 0630 50% security, no enemy contact. Normal C.P. operations continued.	F
1600		2		This battalion sustained one (1) KIA and two (2) WIA in Operation Star Light at Chu Lai from Company "B" 3d Antitank Battalion attached to the 4th Marines.	S F
1615		3		Maintenance section performed Quarterly Technical Inspection on Ontos vehicles C-31, C-32, C-33, C-34 and C-35 from 3d platoon Company "C".	F
1630		4		Communications platoon performed second echeleon maintenance on Ontos radios in Ontos vehicle C-34 from Company "C", 3d Antitank Battalion. Awaiting parts to complete repairs.	F
2400		5		From 1900 - 2400 50% security, no enemy contact.	F

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PLACE: Dukong, South Vietnam
FROM (Date and hour): 200001 Aug65
TO (Date and hour): 202400 Aug65

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M–Maps S–Staff T–Troops F–File)
0630		1		From 2400-0630 50% Security, no enemy contact. Norm 1 C.P. operations continue.	F
1600		2		Maintenance Section completed repairs on O/F03 vehicle C-24 and C-34 from Company "C". Vehicles being returned to company.	F
2330		3		Provided 3d Tank Battalion 192300 Aug65 with three men for ambush patrol to XD942702. Patrol returned at first light, no enemy contact.	F
2400		4		From 1900-2400 50% Security, no enemy contact.	F

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FROM (Date and hour): 210001 Aug65
TO (Date and hour): 212400 Aug65

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M—Maps S—Staff T—Troops F—File)
0630		1		From 2400 - 0630, 50% security, no enemy contact. Normal C.P. operations continued.	F
0700		2		130001H - 192400H Aug65 (WEEKLY OPERATIONAL SUMMARY for Co. "A", "B" and Co. "C"., attached to SITREP) (Note SITREP 201800 - 211800 Aug65)	F
1400		3		S-3, S-2, HqCmdt. and 2 guards apprehended one VCS AT985706.	SF
1730		4		Maintenance section received Ontos vehicles C-34 and C-25 from Company "C" for repairs.	F
2400		5		From 1900-2400 50% security, no enemy contact.	F

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TO (Date and hour): 222400 Aug65

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M–Maps S–Staff T–Troops F–File)
0630		1		From 2400-0630 50% Security, no enemy contact. Normal C.P. operations continue.	F
1600		2		Maintenance Section Continues work on O.TOW vehicles C-25 and C-34 from Company "C".	F
2400		3		From 1900-2400 50% Security, no enemy contact.	F

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PLACE: Dallang, South Vietnam

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TO (Date and hour): 232400 Aug65

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M–Maps S–Staff T–Troops F–File)
0630		1		From 2400-0630 50% Security, no enemy contact. Normal C.P. operation continues.	F
1600		2		Maintenance continues repairs of OUTOS vehicles C-34 and C-35 from Company "C".	F
1630		3		Comm, two Corpsman and six guards visited the village of Yen Bac (965703) and held sick call. Treated 44 children and 24 adults. Attitude of villigers was friendly.	F
2400		4		From 1900-2400 50% Security, no enemy contact.	F

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PLACE: DaNang, South Vietnam

FROM (Date and hour): 240001 Aug65

TO (Date and hour): 242400 Aug65

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M–Maps S–Staff T–Troops F–File)
0630		1		50% security, noenemy contact, normal C.P. operations continued.	F
1600		2		Maintenance section turned into FLSG vehicle C-34 from Company "C" with no DDD.	F
30		3		S-3, Bn CommO, 3 Corpsman and 4 guards visited the village of YEN BAC At985708. Treated 13 adults and 49 children. Attitude of the villagers was friendly and congenial.	F
2400		4		From 1900 - 2400 50% security, no enemy contact.	F

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PLACE: DaNang, South Vietnam

FROM (Date and hour): 250001 Aug65

TO (Date and hour): 252400H Aug65

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M–Maps S–Staff T–Troops F–File)
0630		1		From 2400 - 0630, 50% security, no enemy contact. Continued normal C.P. operations.	F
1630		2		CommO, 2 Corpsman and 4 guards and 1 ARVN interpreter visited the village of YEN BAC AT985708 and held sick call. Treated 24 adults and 36 children. Attitude of the villagers was friendly and congenial.	F
2400		3		From 1900 - 2400 50% security, no enemy contact.	F

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PLACE: DaNang, South Vietnam
FROM (Date and hour): 260001 Aug65
TO (Date and hour): 262400 Aug65

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M–Maps S–Staff T–Troops F–File)
0630		1		50% security, no enemy contact, normal C.P. operations continued.	F
1630		2		Enlisted men donated 50 pair of shower shoes to the children of YEN BAC AT985708. The children were overjoyed.	F
1645		3		Antitank Battalion donated 12 pints of blood to USOM Hospital.	F
0001		4		50% security, no enemy contact.	F
LATE ENTRY		5		From: Maintenance - 1730H Maintenance section returned Ontos vehicle to Company "C" (C-31).	F

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PLACE: DaNang, South Vietnam

FROM (Date and hour): 270001 Aug65

TO (Date and hour): 272400 Aug65

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M–Maps S–Staff T–Troops F–File)
0630		1		50% security, no enemy contact, normal C.P. operations continued with improvement of defensive positions.	F
1200		2		Light section of Ontos from 2nd platoon Company "A" supported Company "E", 1st Battalion, 9th Marines in a company size sweep from AT868835 to AT89830. No enemy contact.	F
1730		3		S-3, Bn.CommO, 4 guards and 2 Corpsman visited the village of YEN BAC AT985708 and held sick call. Treated 48 children and 34 adults.	F
1800		4		One Cpl. departed this battalion on emergency leave.	F
2400		5		From 1900 - 2400 50% security, no enemy contact.	F

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				From 2400 - 0630	
0630		1		50% security, no enemy contact Normal C.P. operations continued.	
1700		2		S-3, Bn. CommO, Medical Officer from 9th Marines, 2 Corpsman and 4 guards visited the village of YEN BAC AT985708. Treated 33 adults and 48 children.	
				From 1900 - 2400	
2400		3		50% security, no enemy contact.	

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				From 2400-0630	
0630		1		50% security, no enemy contact, normal C.P. operations continued.	F
				From 1900-2400	
2400		2		50% security, no enemy contact.	F

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TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M–Maps S–Staff T–Troops F–File)
0630		1		50% security, no enemy contact, continued normal C.P. operations.	F
1600		2		S-3, Bn. CommO, 2 Corpsman and 4 guards visited the village of YEN BAC AT985708 and held sick call for 30 adults and 51 children.	F
2400		3		50% security, no enemy contact.	F
LATE	ENTRY	4		Maintenance Section returned ONTOS vehicle C-15 and C-24 to Company "C".	F

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				From 2400 - 0630	
0630		1		50% security, no enemy contact, normal C.P. operations continued.	F
1200		2		H&S Company fired new personnel with M-14, M-60 and caliber 45 pistol at HOA CAM Training Center AT975727. Conducted safety regulations in accordance with DivO 5100.1	F
1600		3		H&S Company continues to have classes concerning uses of grenades and pyrotechnics.	F
1630		4		Normal C.P. operations continue with improvement of defensive positions.	F
1700		5		Sick call held in the village of YEN BAC AT985708 by battalion medical team. 30 adults and 57 children were treated. Attitude of the villagers was friendly and congenial.	F
2400		6		50% security, no enemy contact.	F

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