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Encl: (1) 3d Antitank Battalion Command Diary, July 1965

1. In accordance with reference (a) through (d) enclosure (1) is submitted.

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PART 1

1. Reporting Unit. 3d Antitank Battalion (-)
2. Period Covered. 9 July, 31 July 1965
3. Date of Submission. 8 August 1965
4. Commanding Officer. 9 July65 - 14 July65, Major E.E. BROOKS,
16 July65 - 31 July65, Lieutenant Colonel BRUCE A. HEFLIN.
5. Command Post. Republic of South Vietnam, AT987711 - Map
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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

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1. Background.

The 3d Antitank Battalion (-) consisting of H&S Company (8 Officer and 75 Marine Enlisted, 2 Navy Enlisted) embarked aboard APA 27 at WHITE BEACH, OKINAWA on 30 June 1965, and sailed 030300 July 65. Arrived and disembarked at DaNang, Republic of South Vietnam 9 July 1965. Moved into bivouac AT983744. On 10 July, relocated at AT987711 and set up defensive positions and H&S Company bivouac. Company "A" (-) (Rein) arrived via surface transportation at DaNang, Republic of South Vietnam on 12 April 1965. Company "B" (-) (Rein) arrived via surface transportation at Chu Lai, Republic of South Vietnam on 7 May 1965. Company "C" (-) (Rein) arrived on 8 July 1965 via surface transportation and disembarked at DaNang, Republic of South Vietnam.

2. Mission Assigned.

Battalion was assigned the mission of general support of the 3d Marine Division, with companies in direct support of the Infantry Regiments.

3. Chronological Summary of Events.

3d Antitank Battalion on 1 July 65 was deployed in the following manner:

- a. H&S Company (-) consisting of the Command Group, 8 Officers, 75 Enlisted and 2 Navy Enlisted, was aboard Amphibious Shipping enroute to DaNang, Republic of South Vietnam.
- b. Company "A" (Rein) made up of the 1st and 2nd platoon Company "A", 3d platoon Company "B" and 1st platoon Company "C" was attached to the 3d Marine Regiment located in DaNang and Hue Phu Bai was deployed as follows:
 - (1) 1st platoon Company "A", direct support of 1st Battalion, 3d Marines.
 - (2) 2nd platoon Company "A", direct support of 2nd Battalion, 3d Marines.
 - (3) 3d platoon Company "B", direct support of 3d Battalions, 4th Marines. (Hue Phu Bai)
 - (4) 1st platoon Company "C", direct support of 1st Battalion, 9th Marines. (DaNang)
- c. Company "C" (-) (Rein) made up of the 2nd platoon Company "C" attached to the 9th Marine Regiment was aboard Amphibious Shipping enroute to DaNang, Republic of South Vietnam and deployed as follows:
 - (1) 2nd platoon Company "C" attached to 2nd Battalion, 9th Marines enroute to DaNang.
 - (2) 3d platoon assigned to Company "C" 1st Antitank Battalion located on Okinawa.
- d. Company "B" (Rein), made up of the 1st platoon Company "B", 2nd platoon Company "B" and 3d platoon Company "C", attached to the 4th Marine Regiment located at Chu Lai, and deployed as follows:

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- (1) 1st platoon Company "B" in direct support of 1st Battalion, 4th Marines.
 - (2) 2nd platoon Company "B" direct support of 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines.
 - (3) 3d platoon Company "C" direct support of 3d Battalion, 3d Marines.
- e. On 24 Jul65 the Battalion was deployed as follows:
(Note 3d Marine Division Operation Order 321A-65)
- (1) 3d Antitank Battalion (-)
H&S Company.....DaNang, Republic of South Vietnam, AT987711
 - (2) Company "A" (Rein), direct support of 3d Marine Regiment
 - (a) 1st platoon in direct support of 1st Battalion, 3d Marines.
 - (b) 2nd platoon in direct support of 2nd Battalion, 3d Marines.
 - (c) 3d platoon Company "B" attached to the 3d Battalion, 4th Marines.
 - (3) Company "C" (-) (Rein) direct support of 9th Marine Regiment.
 - (a) 1st platoon direct support of 1st Battalion, 9th Marines.
 - (b) 2nd platoon direct support of 2nd Battalion, 9th Marines.
 - (4) Company "B" (Rein) attached to the 4th Marine Regiment.
 - (a) 1st platoon direct support of 1st Battalion, 4th Marines.
 - (b) 2nd platoon direct support of 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines.
 - (c) 3d platoon Company "A" direct support of 3d Battalion, 3d Marines.
- f. After landing on 9 Jul65 the Battalion generally set up a hasty defense and began initial construction of the C.P. site i.e., Maintenance, Supply, Communications and Motor Transport. The particular executive staff section set up their shops and effected liaison with the infantry Battalions and 3d Marine Division Headquarters. The principle effort of the Battalion during the month of July was devoted to construction of the C.P. site and familiarization with the particular problems of the Ontos encountered in Vietnam. By the end of July the Battalion was dug in and support facilities constructed to handle the administrative and logistical support required by Company "A" and Company "C". It became apparent that the Ontos was contributing to the overall effectiveness of the Infantry man in the field through its designated secondary mission as a direct fire support weapon. Because the Ontos is light it can traverse most of the bridges, because it is small it can be camouflaged with the front line infantry Marine and because of its fire control system it can rapidly engage targets. The general nature of the targets are bunkers and fortified buildings, which are destroyed using the major caliber round. The caliber 30 machine gun comes to the aid of the infantry against targets not requiring a major caliber round, i.e., troops in the open.

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CIVIL AFFAIRS

Battalion made initial contact with the village of YEN BAC AT985708 on 19 July 65 to determine their needs for the People to People Program, i.e., Medical Aid. On 21 July 1965 Battalion Operations Officer, Battalion Communications Officer, 1 Corporal and six (6) guards set up aid station in the village and held sick call from 1500 to 1600. Initial reaction of the villagers at that time was conservative. It was explained to the villagers that we would conduct sick call hours daily from 1500 to 1600.

On 22 July Operations Officer and Battalion Communications Officer along with 3d Tank Battalion Chaplain met with the village chief, Mr. Tran HAU and received permission to treat the people of YEN BAC. Sick call at this time changed from 1500-1600 to 1430-1530. The Medical Aid Team treated approximately 100 people on the first day and the attitude of the villagers seemed friendly.

On 26 July, the attitude of the villagers changed from friendly to very cool. Villagers remained in their houses and only after some coaxing six were treated.

On 28 July 65 Captain M. DOMINGUES from Counter Intelligence, Operations Officer and 6 guards visited the village of YEN BAC to investigate the change in attitude of the villagers of YEN BAC on 26 July 65. No positive determination made as to their change in attitude. Resumed normal Civil Affairs Program, treated 24 adults and 22 children. Attitude returned to normal, friendly routine reestablished. Sick call held daily from 1430-1630 for the period 19-31 July 65 except for Sundays. Total treated during reporting period was, 100 adults and 150 children.

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Encl 3: Weekly Opp Sum dtd 17 Jul, 24 Jul, 30 Jul, 7 Aug 1965

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ORGANIZATION	
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090930 H Jul65	082400 Jul65

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IN	OUT	SER. NO.		
0930		1	Established C.P. At 989710	M
1500		2	Began construction of Foxholes and Defensive Positions	
1900		3	100% Security, Defensive Positions	
2400		4	All Quiet	
0930		5	Late entry: Task Organization This Unit, A.T. Bn. (-), H&S Co. (-)	

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TIME	SFR NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN M-Maps T-Troops S-Staff F-File
0630	1		All quiet, No enemy contact	
1500	2		0630-1500, Continue construction of working spaces	
1900	3		1500-1900, Construction of Defensive Positions	
2400	4		1900-2400, 50% Security	

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TIME		SER. NO.	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN M-Maps T-Troops S-Staff F-File
IN	OUT				
0630		1		Unidentified Person moved along N.W. Section of perimeter, outside barbed wire. No actual contact made. Noted at 0400	
1900		2		0630-1900, Continue construction of living, working and defensive positions.	
0001		3		1900-0001, 50% Security, No Activity	

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UNIT OR STAFF SECTION HEAVY FIST 3	
ORGANIZATION 3d Antitank Battalion	
OPENED (DTG, Month, year) 120001 Jul65	CLOSED (DTG, Month, year) 122400 Jul65

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IN	OUT	NO.		
		1	0001-0630, 50% Security, No enemy activity	
		2	0630-1900, Continue construction of C.P. Site, improving defensive positions	
		3	1900-2400, 50% Security, No enemy activity	

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DaNang, Republic of South Vietnam
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1. 3d Antitank Bn. (-) H&S Co (-)
2. 100930-102400 Jul as of 101700 Jul65 (Time Zone H)
3. Activities: Established C.P. Site 907711
Began construction of defensive positions and construction of the C.P. Site proper
4. Plans. To improve defensive positions in area of responsibility and construct C.P. Site
5. Miscellaneous
 - a. Personnel shortages remain critical

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1. 3d Antitank Bn. (-) H&S Co (-)
2. 110001-112400 Jul as of 111700 Jul65 (Time Zone H)
3. Activities: Unidentified person moved along N.W. Sector of Prominter, outside of barbed wire at 0400, no actual contact made. Continue construction of living, working spaces and defensive positions.
4. Plans: To improve defensive positions and C.P. Site.
5. Miscellaneous
 - a. Personnell shortages remain critical.

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1. 3d Antitank Bn. (-) HAS Co. (-)
2. 120001-122400 Jul as of 121700 Jul65 (Time Zone H)
3. **Activities:** 50% Security maintained. Continue construction of C.P. Site and improve defensive positions. No enemy activity.
4. **Plans:** To improve defensive positions and living and C.P. Sites.
5. **Miscellaneous**
(a) Personnel shortages remain critical

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1. 3d Antitank Bn. (-) H&S Co (-)
2. 130001-132400 Jul as of 131700 Jul65 (Time Zone H)
3. Activities: C.P. Site completed, continue improving defensive positions. 50% Security, no enemy action.
4. Plans. Continue work on defensive positions.
5. Miscellaneous
 - a. Personnel shortages remain critical.

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1. 3d Antitank Bn. (-) H&S Co (-)
2. 140001-142400 Jul as of 141700 Jul 65 (Time Zone H)
3. Activities: Living spaces completed. Maintenance repaired one Ontos from 2nd Platoon Deployed with 2/9.
4. Plans. Continue C.P. Operation. Continue work on defensive positions.
5. Miscellaneous
 - a. Personnel shortages remain critical.

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1. 3d Antitank Bn. (-) H&S Co. (-)
2. 150001-152400 Jul as of 151700 Jul65 (Time Zone H)
3. **Activities:** LtCol BRUCE A. HEPLIN reported aboard, relief for Major E. E. BROOKS. Major BROOKS assumed duties as Bn. XO. 50% Security, no enemy activity. Helicopter Recon Recon to Hue and back, Highway #1 open to Hue, initial impressions of bridges and conditions of road to support Outpost Good.
4. **Plans.** Continue defensive positions and conduct further Helicopter Recon Patrols.
5. **Miscellaneous**
 - a. Personnel shortages remain critical.

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1. 3d Antitank Bn. (-) H&S Co. (-)
2. 160001-162400 Jul as of 161700 Jul65 (Time Zone H)
3. Activities: Increased activity on improving defensive positions.
Maintenance Contact Team repaired Ontos in the Field.
4. Plans. Continue C.P. Operation and improvement of defensive positions.
5. Miscellaneous
 - a. Personnel shortages remain critical.

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1. 3d Antitank Bn. (-) H&S Co. (-)
2. 170001-172400 Jul as of 171700 Jul65 (Time Zone H)
3. **Activities:** Effected liaison ARVN Camp and American Adviser, Grid Coordinates 978718. One Ontes in Maintenance for Quarterly from 2nd Platoon "A" Company. 50% Security no enemy action. The following activities are now operational:
 - Ontes Maintenance Section
 - Motor Transport Section
 - Supply Platoon
 - Comm Platoon
4. **Plans.** Continue C.P. Operation. Improve on defensive positions.
5. **Miscellaneous.**
 - a. Personnel shortages remain critical.

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1. 3d Antitank Bn. (-) HAS Co (-)
2. 180001-182400 Jul65 (Time Zone H)
3. Activities: 0220, Information from HEAVYFIST 3 actual, firefight in village, stray rounds received within perimeter from S.W. corner. Initial inquiry indicates ARVN Patrol made contact. Full details will follow. 50% Security.
4. Plans: Continue C.P. Operations, improve defensive positions.
5. Miscellaneous
 - a. Personnel shortages remain critical.

E. E. BROOKS
Executive Officer

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1. 3d Antitank Bn. (-) H&S Co. (-)
2. 190001-192400 Jul65 (Time Zone H)
3. Activities: Maintenance section performed quarterlies on two Ontos from 2d Platoon "A" Company. 50% Security during the hours of darkness, no enemy action during the reporting period. Continue normal C.P. Operations and improve defensive positions.
4. Plans. Continue C.P. Operations and continue to improve defensive positions, and quarterly maintenance of remaining Ontos in 2d Platoon, "A" Company. Contact local village and initiate people to people program, i.e., medical aid.
5. Miscellaneous
 - a. Personnel shortage remains critical.

BRUCE A. HEPLIN
Lieutenant Colonel

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1. 3d Antitank Bn. (-) H&S Co. (-)
2. 200001-202400 Jul (Time Zone H)
3. Activities: Maintenance Platoon performed Quarterlies on one Ontos from 2d Platoon "A" Company. 100% Security, because of Vietnamese Holiday. No enemy contact noted during reporting period. Heavy Fist 6 Departed for Chu Lai for a planned two day liaison visit. Captain STEWART vice Captain W. DREBUSHENKO S-4.
4. Plans: Continue C.P. Operations. Continue improvement of defensive positions. Maintenance; will continue to run Quarterly Maintenance on remaining Ontos in 2d Platoon "A" Company, projected maintenance scheduled one Ontos per day.
5. Miscellaneous
 - a. Personnel shortages remain critical.

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1. 3d Antitank Bn. (-) H&S Co. (-)
2. 210001-212400 Jul65 (Time Zone H)
3. Activities
 - a. Normal C.F. Operations continue.
 - b. Maintenance; conducted quarterly maintenance of one Ontos from 2d Platoon, "A" Company.
4. Plans: Continue normal C.F. Operations and continue to improve defensive positions.
5. Miscellaneous
 - a. Personnel shortages remain critical.
 - b. Captain W. BREBUSHENKO departed for Okinawa FFT CONUS.
 - c. HEAVY FIST 3Actual, CommO, (People to People Projects Officer), Smokeroom Chaplin and one Corporal made initial contact in the local Hamlet of the Village YEN BOC Coord #985708. Initial reaction of people conservative. It appeared that the Hamlet population is about 20 Adults and 30 Children. First Aid Station established in Hamlet. Corporal will conduct Aid Station on a daily basis, one hour each day from 1500-1600. Serious cases to be passed on to Medical Officer 9th Marines. Purpose of today's visit was to conduct a survey for the medical needs of the Hamlet.

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1. 3d Antitank Bn. (-) H&S Co. (-)
2. 220001-222400 Jul65 (Time Zone H)
3. Activities
 - a. Continued normal C.P. Operations and improvement of defensive positions.
 - b. 50% Security during the hours of darkness, no enemy contact during reporting period.
 - c. Maintenance Section performed quarterly on last Ontos from 2d Platoon "A" Company. All Ontos this platoon have now had Quarterlies.
 - d. Patrols; contributed 3 NCO's to 3d Tank Bn. for a combined 3d Antitank Bn., 3d Tank Bn., 1st LVT Bn and infantry squad foot patrol. Overlay attached indicating route. Size of patrol two squads, time of departure 220600H. No significant observations, no enemy incountered, time of return 220930H.
4. Plans. To continue normal C.P. Operations and to continue improvement of defensive positions.
5. Miscellaneous. Civil Affairs. Todays contact with the people of the Village of Yen Bac grid coordinates AT989706 was highly succesful after making contact with the Village Chief, Mr TRAN HAU and gaining his permission to treat the people of Yen Bac, the corpsman proceeded to list the ailments of 30 adults and 10 children requesting his aid. There were close to 100 adults and children in the village who eagerly recieved the Civil Affairs Team. (Heavy Fist 3, CommO, Smokeroom Chaplin, corpsman, and three guards.) The people were happy and very friendly, todays visit lasted one and half hours. They requested we stay at least two hours everyday and treat men one day, women the next then children the third day. This allows more time to each person for treatment.

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1. 3d Antitank Bn. (-) H&S Co. (-)
2. 230001-232400 Jul65 (Time Zone H)
3. Activities
 - a. 50% Security during the hours of darkness, no enemy action noted.
 - b. Normal C.P. Operations continues.
 - c. Maintenance Section combat deadlined one Ontos from 1st Platoon "A" Company, sent said vehicle to Service Battalion 2 day DDD.
4. Plans. To continue C.P. Operations on 100% bases. Continue improvement of defensive positions.
5. Miscellaneous.
 - a. Personnel shortages remain critical.
 - b. Civil Affairs: Held sick call in Yen Bac Hamlet grid coordinates AT985708, from 1430-to 1630. Approximately 30 adults and 25 children attended. Four of these are being recommended for further treatment at Danang Hospital. Noticed that five new young men attended. All villagers present seemed friendly and at ease. Present were Bn CommO, 3 Hospital Corpomen, 3 guards and 1 V-N Interpreter.
 - c. 3 NCO's departed this Battalion for Ckinawa 211800 Jul65 for FFT to CONUS.
 - d. 11 Men joined this Battalion for duty as of 221400 Jul65.

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1. 3d Antitank Bn. (-) H&S Co (-)
2. 240001-242400 Jul65 (Time Zone H)
3. Activities
 - a. Continue normal C.P. Operations.
 - b. Improvement of defensive positions continue.
4. Plans
 - a. Continue operation of C.P..
5. Miscellaneous
 - a. Brought 3 adults and 1 child to USOM Hospital for treatment. Hospital kept 1 male with badly infected and ulcerated foot. Held afternoon sick call in Yen Bac from 1430 to 1630, 25 adults and 30 children were present. A total of 41 patients were interviewed and treated. 3 Will be transported to USOM Hospital tomorrow for therapy and possible admission. Present were 9th Marines Medical Officer and dentist, AT Bn CommO, medical corpsman and four guards. Villagers very friendly.

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1. 3d Antitank Bn. (-) H&S Co. (-)
2. 250001-252400 Jul65 (Time Zone H)
3. Activities
 - a. Contributed 3 NCO's to a combined, 3d Antitank Bn., 3d Tank Bn., 1st LVT Bn. and infantry patrol. Time of departure 0800, unit 3d Antitank Bn., 3d Tank Bn., 1st LVT Bn. and one infantry squad 9th Marines approximate size of patrol, 2 squads. No enemy contact. Patrol returned this C.P. 1060 and was debriefed by HEAVY FIST 3 ACTUAL. Patrol route overlay attached.
 - b. Continue normal C.P. Operations.
 - c. Continue improvement of defensive positions.
4. Plans
 - a. To continue C.P. Operations on 100% basis.
 - b. To improve defensive positions.
5. Miscellaneous
 - a. Members of H&S Company, 3d Antitank Battalion contributed 10 dollars to People to People projects Officer to be used to aid the villagers of Yen Bac.
 - b. Received 3 Ontos from FLSG for Battalion, general support of Division Operations.
 - c. Personnel shortages remain same.
 - (1) Losses
 - (a) Major E. E. BROOKS, Battalion Executive Officer departed Okinawa, PFT CONUS
 - (b) WO S. PRATO Battalion Adjutant departed for Okinawa, PFT CONUS.

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1. 3d Antitank Bn. (-) H&S Co. (-)
2. 260001-262400 Jul65 (Time Zone H)
3. Activities
 - a. Maintenance depressed one Ontos from FLSG.
 - b. Continue C.P. Operations and improvement of defensive positions.
4. Plans
 - a. Continue C.P. Operations and improvement of defensive positions.
5. Miscellaneous
 - a. Civil Affairs. 3d Antitank Battalion People to People program; again visited the village of Yen Bac. Medically examined and treated were 6 villagers. Attitude of villagers changed from enthusiastic to cool, where in the past there were between 50 to 100 people today only 10-25 people were present and none desired treatment, people remained in their huts and only after some coaxing 6 people were treated.
 - b. One Gunnery Sergeant, one Corporal and one Lance Corporal joined this Battalion for duty as of 251300 Jul65.
 - c. Personnel shortages remain 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. 270001-272400 Jul65 (Time Zone H)
3. Activities
 - a. Maintenance continues to deprocess one Ontos from Battalion mount out.
 - b. C.P. Operations continue, improvement of defensive positions continues.
4. Plans
 - a. Continue C.P. Operations and improvement of defensive positions.
5. Miscellaneous
 - a. Personnel shortages remain 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. 280001-282400 Jul65 (Time Zone H)
3. Activities
 - a. Continue normal C.P. Operations.
 - b. Test fired automatic weapons and held safety lecture at Hoø Cam Training Center.
4. Plans
 - a. Continue C.P. Operations and improvement of defensive positions.
5. Miscellaneous
 - a. Visited the village of Yen Bac (AE985708) at 1430 and held sick call. Approximately 15 adults and 20 children attended. Treated 9 adults and 14 children attitude was back to normal, friendly and cheerful. Sick call seem to be settling into normal daily routine. Present was Antitank Battalion S-3, Bn CommO, 1 Marine Interpreter, 1 Corporal and 4 Guards.
 - b. Personnel shortages remain 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. 290001-292400 Jul65 (Time Zone H)
3. Activities
 - a. Captain M. Dominigus from Counter Intelligence team, Heavyfist 3, six guards visited the Hamlet of Yen Bac AT985708 on 281030 Jul65 to investigate the change in the villagers attitude, reported in SITREP 26001-262400 towards 3d Antitank Battalion People to People Program. No positive determination made as to their change in attitude, resumed civil affairs, People to People Program on 28 July as reported in SITREP 280001-282400.
 - b. Normal C.P. Operations continued.
4. PLANS
 - a. Continue normal C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.
5. Miscellaneous
 - a. Heavyfist 3, Heavyfist 10, 2 Corpsman, 1 ARVN interpreter and 4 guards visited ~~of~~ Yen Bac, AT985708 at 29Jul 1430 and held sick call. 24 adults and 22 children attended treated 20 adults and 22 children. Attitude friendly. It appears the attitude of the people has returned to normal (note SITREP 260001-262400)
 - b. Personal shortage remains the same.

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SITREP

1. 3d Antitank Bn. (-)
 - H&S Co. (-)
 - "A" Co. (-) Direct Support 3d Marines
 - "C" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines
2. 300001-302400 Jul65 (Time Zone H)
3. Activities
 - a. Continue normal C.P. operations, Heavy Fist 3 visited Company "C" grid coordinates BT0068 at 300930H, no problems encountered.
4. Plans
 - a. Continue normal C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.
5. Miscellaneous
 - a. Heavy Fist 6, Heavy Fist 3, Heavy Fist 10, 2 Corpsman and 5 guards visited the village of Yen Bac AT985708 at 301430H. Approximately 20 adults and 33 children attended, treated 14 adults and 25 children. Attitude friendly and cheerful.

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SITREP

1. 3d Antitank Bn. (-)
 H&S co. (-)
 "A" Co. (-) Direct Support 3d Marines
 "C" Co. (-) Direct Support 9th Marines
2. 310001-312400 Jul65 (Time Zone H)
3. Activities
 - a. Heavy Fist 3 visited 2d Plt. "C" Co. 3d Antitank Bn. AT995684 on 310900 Jul65. No problems encountered.
 - b. Maintenance sent two ONTOS vehicles from 2d Plt. "C" CO. to Service Bn. for bore scooping. Will return this date.
 - c. Maintenance sent to Service Bn. 301000 Jul65 one ONTOS from 2d Plt. "C" Co. for repair of elevation cam. Vehicle deadlined with no D.D.D.
4. Plans
 - a. Continue normal C.P. operations and improvement of defensive positions.
5. Miscellaneous
 - a. Heavy Fist 3, Heavy Fist 10, 2 Corpsman and 8 guards visited the village of Yen Bac AT985708 on 311430H. Approximately 12 adults and 27 children attended. Treated 8 adults and 20 children. Attitude of villagers, happy and friendly.
 - b. Joined one Sgt. 0353, one Sgt. 2539
 - c. Dropped one Sgt. 2541 to the 9th Marines for duty. Three inter - Battalion transfers.

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