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To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF (Attn: SC-3)

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Encl: (1) Command Chronology
(2) Staff Journals

1. In compliance with the references, enclosures (1) through (2) are submitted.

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3d Antitank Bn

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PART I

1. Reporting unit - 3d Antitank Battalion, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF

2. Period covered - 1 - 30 November 1966

3. Date of submission - 10 Dec 1966

4. Commanding Officer - Major Charles R. STIFFLER, USMC

5. Command Post - Republic of South Vietnam (AT987711) Map AMS Series L 701, Sheet No. 6659 III.

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PART II

1. Operational Data, including attachments:

a. Designation/Location

(1)	Headquarters and Service Company	(DANANG TAOR)
(2)	Company "A"	(PHU BAI TAOR)
(3)	Company "B"	(PHU BAI TAOR)
(4)	Company "C"	(DANANG TAOR)

b. Period covered by report: 1 - 30 November 1966

c. Name/Rank of Commanding Officer and Staff, and principle subordinates including T/O billet assignment.

BATTALION HEADQUARTERS

Commanding Officer.....Maj C. R. STIFFLER
Executive Officer.....Capt D. C. SATCHER
S-1/Adj.....2ndLt F. A. GUILE
S-2.....WO C. C. HARRIS
S-3.....1stLt J. C. DEBILIO
S-3A.....WO C. C. HARRIS
(1 - 21 Nov)
1stLt D. K. CASWELL
(22 - 30 Nov)
Liaison Officer.....Unassigned
S-4.....Capt D. C. SATCHER
Supply Officer.....2ndLt R. U. BOKELMAN
Motor Transport Officer.....2ndLt R. H. SOKOLOWSKI
Ordnance Maintenance Officer.....WO L. C. SCHOLPP
Communications Officer.....1stLt J. L. WEIS
Medical Officer.....HM-1 A. D. McDOLE, USN

Headquarters and Service Company

Commanding Officer.....1stLt D. K. CASWELL
(1 - 21 Nov)
2ndLt C. P. WAGER
(22 - 30 Nov)
Executive Officer.....2ndLt C. P. WAGER
(1 - 21 Nov)
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(22 - 30 Nov)

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Company "A"

Commanding Officer.....Capt A. A. COMPTON
Executive Officer.....Unassigned
(1 - 26 Nov)
1stLt R. F. PINION
(27 - 30 Nov)
1st Plt Commander.....2ndLt W. M. HAYES
2nd Plt Commander.....2ndLt E. B. O'NEIL
3d Plt Commander.....2ndLt A. W. HOOF
(1 - 26 Nov)
2ndLt D. R. RUSH
(27 - 30 Nov)

Company "B"

Commanding Officer.....Capt S. L. CAMBY
Executive Officer.....Unassigned
1st Plt Commander.....2ndLt R. L. GIBSON
2nd Plt Commander.....2ndLt J. G. RICHARDSON
3d Plt Commander.....2ndLt M. L. BAILEY

Company "C"

Commanding Officer.....Capt S. T. FLYNN
Executive Officer.....1stLt R. F. PINION
(1 - 26 Nov)
2ndLt A. W. HOOF
(27 - 30 Nov)
1st Plt Commander.....2ndLt F. E. RIVERA
2nd Plt Commander.....2ndLt E. H. SAUER
3d Plt Commander.....SSgt T. M. BURKE

d. Average monthly strength during the period:

	Officers	Enlisted	USN-Enl
3d Antitank Battalion	24	310	10
(a) H&S Company	11	88	7
(b) Company "A"	5	76	1
(c) Company "B"	4	72	1
(d) Company "C"	4	74	1

2. Sequential listing of significant events

a. Personnel & Administration. During the month 22 USMC enlisted were transferred. Forty six USMC enlisted, three USN enlisted, and two USMC officers were joined during the month. This battalion had one non-battle casualty. Five privates were promoted to Private First Class, One

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PFC was given a meritorious combat promotion to Lance Corporal, one Lance Corporal was given a meritorious combat promotion to Corporal and one Sergeant was promoted to Staff Sergeant. There were three NJP's under article 15 UCMJ. One received $40.00 forfeiture of pay for one month. One received $25.00 forfeiture for one month, and one received $100.00 forfeiture for two months. During the month of November, the Battalion presented two purple hearts, one Bronze Star with Distinguishing Device, and four Good Conduct Medals.

b. Intelligence. Information concerning the enemy and terrain was received from USMACV, III MAF, 1st and 3d Marine Divisions, HOA VANG District Headquarters, HOA CAM Regional Forces Training Center and 3d Tank Bn INTSUMS.

c. Training. Battalion level training was accomplished using the contact team method. Formal schooling was held at the Company level on such subjects as Map Reading, Troop indoctrination, Code of Conduct and NBC. The various familiarization firing activities conducted in November included the 106MM recoilless rifle, Cal 30 machinegun, M-60 machinegun, M-14 rifle, Cal 45 pistol, Cal 50 spotter rifle, M3A1 sub-machinegun and the rifle grenade. The Gun Companies, where the greater percent are armed with Cal 45 pistols, used "field firing" for familiarization due to operational committments.

3. Company Activities

(a) H&S Company. During the month of November the company continued the normal functions of providing administrative and logistical support for the ONTOS companies. The reaction force continued to conduct ambushes and patrols within the Battalion's Patrol area of responsibility. Work on the improvement of the CP defensive perimeter continued.

(b) Company "A" continued in support of the 3d Marine Division. The First Platoon started the reporting period in support of 3/3 on the ROCK PILE. The Light Section was located at (YD978587) in support of I, K, M & H&S 3/3 and the Heavy Section was located at (YD975567) in support of L/3/3. Heavy rains curtailed any mechanized patrols and the platoons positions remained static throughout the reporting period. This platoon expended 657 major rounds (106MM HEP-T) on H&I fire missions with no known results. The Second Platoon continued in support of the 2nd Bn 9th Marines. The Light Section in support of F/2/9 was located at (YD026561). During the reporting period the light section participated in three Plt size patrols with no enemy contact. The Heavy Section was located at Camp J. J. CARROL in support of H&S, E, H/2/9. This Plt expended 711 major rounds on H&I fires with unknown results. Positions remained fairly static throughout the reporting period with no significant enemy contact. The Third Platoon started the reporting period located at (YD605141) in support of 4/12.

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2 Nov this Plt received eight 60MM mortar rounds and SA fire at (YD227605). The Plt returned 150 rounds Cal 30 machinegun fire with unknown results. On 10 Nov the "old" 3d Plt was designated 1st Plt Co "B" and moved to DONG HA. On 10 Nov the new 3d Plt started operation LAM SON 328 in support of 4/12 and the 1st ARVN Division. On 17 Nov the Plt returned to the Co CP (YD065541) and remained as a reaction force in the defense of Camp J. J. CARROL. This Plt had no significant enemy contact throughout the reporting period.

(c) Company "B" continued in support of the 3d Marine Division. The First Platoon continued in support of the 2nd Bn 4th Marines manning defensive positions on the PHU BAI perimeter. On 10 Nov the 3d Plt "B" Co was designated 1st Plt "B" Co. The old 1st Plt rotated with BLT 2/4 and the new 1st Plt relieved the 2nd Plt of it's duties at DONG HA. The 1st Plt remained in defensive positions at DONG HA for the rest of the reporting period with no enemy contact. The Second Platoon continued in support of the 4th Marines at DONG HA until Nov 10 when they moved by LCU to PHU BAI and relieved the 3d Plt in place. The Heavy Section provided security for the medical facility at JA LAY (YD819178). On 17 Nov a 20 lb mine was discovered at the medical facility and blown in place. The Heavy Section continued supporting the patrol base and medical facilities until 25 Nov when they were relieved by the Heavy Section of the 3d Plt. The Heavy Section returned to the Company CP (YD894143) on 25 Nov and assumed the defensive mission of the vital area around the air strip. The Light Section provided security for the artillery positions at (YD980050) until 12 Nov when they moved to support the patrol base along Route #14 (YD931060). The Light Section expended 58 major rounds (106MM HEP-T) on H&I fire missions with unknown results. The Light Section was relieved in place on 25 Nov by the 3d Plt and returned to the Co CP for defense of the air strip. The Third Platoon continued in support of the 1st Bn 4th Marines. The Heavy Section provided security for the medical facility at JA LAY (YD819-177). On 7 Nov B-3-5 hit a mine at (YD819178) resulting in two WIA's and heavy damage to the vehicle. The Heavy Section was relieved in place by the 2nd Plt and returned to the Co CP to assume defensive positions along the PHU BAI air strip. The Heavy Section was relieved in place by the 2nd Plt and returned to the Company CP until 25 Nov when they relieved the 2nd Plt at JA LAY. They remained at JA LAY for the rest of the reporting period with no further contact. The Light Section started the reporting period providing security for the patrol base at (YD931060). On 10 Nov the Light Section was relieved in place by the 2nd Plt "B" Co and returned to the Co CP to assume defensive positions along the PHU BAI air strip. On the 25th of Nov the Light Section relieved the 2nd Plt at (YD931060) and continued to provide security for the patrol base with no further contact.

(d) Company "C", OPCON 1st Marine Division, continued in direct support of the 9th Marines. The First Platoon continued in support of the 2nd Bn 3d Marines. The Light Section remained at (AT914597) in support of G/2/3. The Heavy Section remained at (AT878576) in support of F/2/3. On

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18 Nov K/3/7 relieved G/2/3 and I/3/7 relieved F/2/3. This Plt fired 100 major rounds on H&I fire missions with unknown results. The Second Platoon continued in support of the 3d Bn 9th Marines. The Heavy Section in support of I/3/9 provided security for road sweeps of Highway #14 for the entire period. On the 6th of Nov the sweep team was attacked by a Company size VC force (AT905505), 30 major rounds were expended with unknown results. Two WIA's, (non Med-Evac) were sustained. The Light Section continued in support of K/3/9 with no enemy contact for the entire period. The Third Platoon continued in support of the 1st Bn 26th Marines. The Light Section in support of C/1/26 provided security for daily sweeps of LIBERTY ROAD south of Hill #55. On 3 Nov this section expended 18 major rounds at enemy snipers with unknown results. On 5 Nov this section in support of Operation SHASTA expended 5 major rounds at snipers with unknown results. On 13 Nov the Light Section expended 6 major rounds at sniper positions with unknown results. The Heavy Section began this reporting period in support of B/1/26 providing security for road sweeps and bridge security at night. On 4, 5 and 7 Nov this section expended 12 major rounds at snipers with unknown results. On 26 Nov this section expended 3 major rounds at sniper positions with unknown results. The Platoons remained in support of 1/26 for the rest of the reporting period with no further contact.

(e) Communications and Electronics. In addition to the normal Command Post Communications functions, the following events took place: On 2 Nov AN/PRC-6's were turned in to Battalion Supply. On 4 Nov a school was held for the 1st Antitank Bn on SID's. On 22 Nov the primary electrical maintenance tech shop was moved from PHU BAI back to DANANG. On 30 Nov secondary wire was lain to all bunkers in the CP area. The disposition remained the same through 30 Nov.

(f) Logistics

(1) One ONTOS M50 belonging to Co "B" struck a mine. It soon will be code - X.

(2) 190 sections of track were received. Track is being removed removed from RED BALL. Sprockets are now the only ONTOS parts on RED BALL.

(3) Motor Transport dispatched a total of 1,047 trips for a total of 15,192 miles. Seven (7) vehicles were dropped from the account.

(g) Civic Action

(1) Medical Assistance. The Medical Contact Team dispensed a total of 94 treatments to the inhabitants of YEN BAC (AT985708) and CAM HOA

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(AT970704). Upper respiratory infections and disease of the skin accounted for 90% of the treatments dispensed.

(2) Community Development. One thousand board feet of scrap lumber was furnished YEN BAC for use as fuel and in strengthening the structure of homes. A letter was initiated by the subhamlet chief of CAM HOA #8 and #9 requesting 70 bags of cement for construction of wells and a school.

(3) Commodity Distribution. Ten pounds of clothing and five pounds of candy were given to the Hamlet Chief of YEN BAC for distribution.

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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)
0200		1		Patrol departs on mission.	F
0530		2		Patrol returns Frm mission. No enemy contact.	F
0630		3		From 2400 - 0630, 50% security, no enemy contact.	F
0815		4		S-3 Officer departed area for "C" Company CP.	F
2115		5		Spot Rep rec'd fm TA "C". Expended 2 major rounds (106MM Recoilless Rifle) as H&I fire with undetermined results.	F
2125		6		Tanks ambush had grenade thrown at them while in position.	F
2400		7		From 1900 - 2400, 50% security, no enemy contact.	F

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0230		1.		Patrol left CP.	F
0600		2		Patrol returns to Bn CP!	F
1200		3		S-3 Officer departed area.	F
1305		4		Patrol departed S-3 bunker.	F
1455		5		Patrol returned to CP. Brought in an ARVN for transportation to DANANG.	F
1600		6		S-3 Officer returns to Area.	F
2300		7		Patrol departs on mission from Bn CP.	F
2400		8		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*
0400		1		Patrol returns to CP.	F
0630		2		From 2400 - 0630, 50% security, no enemy contact.	F
0745		3		S-2 Officer departed for PHU BAI.	F
1300		4		1 VC body found in AMTRAC's area. He was apparently setting a booby trap and killed himself in the attempt.	F
1430		5		1 male VCS taken to HOA VANG for interrogation.	F
2005		6		SpotRep rec'd from Charlie Co. Five 106MM RR rounds were fired as H&I with unknown results.	F
2400		7		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)
0300		1		Patrol returned to CP.	F
0935		2		Held Practice alert.	F
0945		3		Secured practice alert.	F
1405		4		Partol departed area to search out village in YEN BAC.	F
1415		5		S-3 Officer departed area for Division.	F
1635		6		S-3 Officer returned to area.	F
1640		7		Patrol that went to YEN BAC returned.	F
2400		8		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)
0845		1		Detail of wire men went out south gate to police up loose wire.	F
1000		2		Wire detail returned.	F
2200		3		Patrol departed S-3 bunker.	F
2240		4		Rec'd spot rep from Co "C". Expended 11 heat rounds on suspected enemy OP.	F
2300		5		Patrol stated that H&I fire landed approx 300 meters from their position. Checked with Smokeroom 3 and found out that H&I fire was only 50 meters off from where it was supposed to land.	F
2400		6		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)
0150		1		Patrol returned to Bn CP with no enemy contact.	F
1000		2		Rec'd spotrep Fm Co "C". Ambush by est. VC Bn. Expended 31 HEP-T 106's, 500 Cal 30 MG.	F
1610		3		Rec'd spot rep from Co "A". Fired 4 rounds 106MM RR at 1 VC located at YD969568. No confirmed results.	F
2400		4		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)
0800		1		Meeting at H&S Co Office for all section heads.	F
0905		2		Smokeroom #3 notified Heavyfist #3 that HOA CAM was holding a sweep from west to east at 0800 this date and wanted us to set up a blocking force from Coord's 982706 - 988707.	F
0910		3		S-2 & S-3 departed S-3 bunker.	F
1100		4		S-2 & S-3 returned to S-3 bunker.	F
1145		5		Blocking force returns to Bn CP.	F
1320		6		S-3 Chief departed for HOA CAM to check on range.	F
1420		7		S-3 Chief arrived back at S-3 bunker.	F
1930		8		Rec'd spotrep from Co "C". 16 Heat rounds expended at suspected enemy OP's.	F
2050		9		Rec'd spotrep from Co "C". 2 HEP-T rounds expended at suspected enemy movement.	F
2400		10		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)
0815		1		LtCol WALKER called to talk to this S-3 about SITREP.	F
1000		2		S-3 Officer departed this S-3 office.	F
1115		3		S-3 Officer returned to this S-3 Office	F
1350		4		S-3 departs for Div.	F
1530		5		Maj. BERT notified this S-3 officerthat he would have a patrol operating in Area "B" from 090800H to 091145H NOV66.	F
2400		6		From ~~XXXX~~ 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)
0755		1		1st ATBn Ptl departed Bn CP via South Gate.	F
0920		2		From TA "A" to TA "3": 1. 3 persons will attend "BEEHIVE" demonst.	F
0921		3		From TA "A" to TA "3": Situation report 071200H to 081200H NOV66: 1. Expended 76 rounds 106MM as H&I fire. negative reports on results.	F
				2. Disposition remains same.	F
2240		4		Received message from smoke room #3 that a VC patrol was spotted at Coord's AT942788 at 091840H NOV66 moving NNW. Last man of patrol was carrying base plate, next to last man carrying tube. 503rd sent squad to investigate. No contact yet.	F
2400		5		From 1900 - 2400, 50% security, no enemy contact.	F

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0035		1		Bunker #4 heard noise on fence line and saw flashes. Sentry fired two bursts and rec'd two rounds incoming.	F
0055		2		Sgt ANGEL saw two rifle flashes in the vic of the pig farm from bunker #5 and fired 4 rounds at the flashes. No incoming was heard.	F
0320		3		Patrol returned to Bn CP.	F
0800		4		From TA "C" to TA "3": expended ten major rounds as H&I fire.	F
0930		5		S-2 Officer departed for Disbursing.	F
1114		6		S-2 Officer returned from disbursing.	F
1350		7		S-3 departed for HOA CAM range.	F
1430		8		S-3 arrived back in area.	F
2400		9		From 1900 - 2400, 50% security, no enemy contact.	F

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0915		1		From: TA-A to: TA-3 091000H to 121200H NOV66: Fired 10 rounds H&I, unknown results.	F
1100		2		Rec'd spot Rep Fm Co "C". B. 111030H NOV66 C. 972592 - 975595 D. Sniper fire E. 10 106MM - 1 house destroyed.	F
2100		3		Tanks number 4 ambush got into fire fight.	
2115		4		Tanks ambush withdrawing.	F
2140		5		3d ATBn bleeding force leaves CP.	F
2150		6		Patrol reports seeing someone by bunker #7.	F
2200		7		Patrol opened fire at bottom of hill. No radio contact with them as of yet.	F
2215		8		Patrol sighted movement and opened fire on it.	F
2300		9		Fired upon 3 VC moving north. 2 VC spotted dragging the 3d VC. Patrol suspects they hit one. Again fired upon VC and now searching area.	F
2345		10		Bunker #4 received one incoming round.	F

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TO *(Date and hour)*: 122400H Nov66

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M–Maps, S–Staff, T–Troops, F–File)
0235		1		Patrol returns to Bn CP.	F
0630		2		From 2400 - 0630, 50% security, no enemy contact.	F
2400		3		From 1900 - 2400, 50% security, no enemy contact.	F

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TO (Date and hour): 132400H Nov66

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.	F
0915		2		Patrol departs on mission. (Search and find).	F
1330		3		Patrol returns from mission.	F
2030		4		Bunker #3 reported sighting "something" and fired flare to illuminate area. Negative results.	F
2100		5		Patrol departs Bn CP.	F
2150		6		Received spotrep from Co "C". b. 132000H Nov66 c. 882581 - 845593, 855598, 856595, 862601, 861566, and 854588. d. expended 12 HEP-T rounds at suspected enemy O.P. with undetermined results.	F
2400		7		From 1[illegible]00 - 2400, 50% security, no enemy contact.	F

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TO *(Date and hour)*: 142400H Nov66

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M—Maps S—Staff T—Troops F—File)
0130		1		Patrol returned to Bn CP. No enemy contact.	F
0630		2		From 2400 - 0630, 50% security, no enemy contact.	F
0815		3		Bn CO visited S/2/3 bunker	F
0944		4		S-3 Officer checked out to go to HOA CAM Training Center.	F
1100		5		S-3 Officer returns to Bn area.	F
0945		6		One gallon of Gas given to villagers for use in cleaning of school house.	F
2400		7		From 1900 - 2400, 50% security, no enemy contact.	F

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TO *(Date and hour)*: 152400H Nov66

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M–Maps, S–Staff, T–Troops, F–File)
0945		1		One gallon of gas was given to the villagers for use in cleaning the school house.	F
1100		2		A second gallon of gas was given to villagers for use in cleaning the school house.	F
2030		3		Received coordinates for H&I fire from 3d Tank Bn.	F
2400		4		From 1900 - 2400, 50% security, no enemy contact.	F

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TO (Date and hour): 162400H Nov66

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M–Maps S–Staff T–Troops F–File)
0140		1		Patrol departed S-3 bunker on mission.	F
0550		2		Patrol returned to Bn CP. No enemy contact.	F
0630		3		From 2400 - 0630, 50% security, no enemy contact.	F
2400		4		From 1900 - 2400, 50% security, no enemy contact.	F

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TO *(Date and hour)*: 172400H Nov66

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M—Maps S—Staff T—Troops F—File)
0835		1		Dream notified this S-3 that they were having a drill at 1300	F
1000		2		Maj TUNGET, 3d Tnk Bn S-3, called and stated there would be a meeting at 1400 this date.	F
2210		3		Smoke room called giving H&I fire missions for night.	F
2400		4		From 1900 - 2400, 50% securit, no enemy contact.	F

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PLACE: Danang, South Vietnam
FROM (Date and hour): 180001H Nov66
TO (Date and hour): 182400H Nov66

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M–Maps S–Staff T–Troops F–File)
0915		1		Received message from Co "B" that LCpl Meadows, T. H., 0353, 2128853, was nominated for combined action unit.	F
1015		2		Contacted Co "C", and following man was submitted for combined action unit. LCpl M. R. BRYAN, 2058653/0353.	F
1500		3		Rec'd call from MGySgt HARRISON, 3d MarDiv G-3 about OPSTAT. Personnel figures wrong, submit new complete OPSTAT.	F
2400		4		From 1900 - 2400, 50% security, no enemy contact.	F

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PLACE: Danang, South Vietnam
FROM *(Date and hour)*: 190001H Nov66
TO *(Date and hour)*: 192400H Nov66

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M–Maps, S–Staff, T–Troops, F–File)
0805		1		Received word from MT that safe driving school would be held this date.	F
0840		2		Smokeroom called and notified this office that an S-3 meeting was being held at their S-3 office at 1000 this date.	F
1000		3		Motor T held safe driving school.	F
1930		4		Rec'd spot rep from Co's "A" and "B". Disposition remains same.	F
2145		5		Patrol departs Bn CP.	F
2200		6		Rec'd H&I fire missions fm SmkRm #3.	F
[illegible]00		7		From 1900 - 2400, 50% security, no enemy contact.	F

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FROM *(Date and hour)*: 200001H Nov66
TO *(Date and hour)*: 202400H Nov66

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M–Maps, S–Staff, T–Troops, F–File)
0212		1		Patrol returned to Bn CP, no enemy contact.	F
0630		2		From 2400 - 0630, 50% security, no enemy contact.	F
1600		3		Received spot rep from co "A".	F
2400		4		From #### 1900 - 2400, 50% security no enemy contact.	F

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FROM *(Date and hour)*: 210001 H Nov 66
TO *(Date and hour)*: 212400 H Nov 66

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	F
0935		2		Recieved spot rep from Co. "C" B-210800 H C 968603-974595 D-sniper fire E- 3 - 106 mm RR, 350 - 30 cal. All others negative	F
2215		3		Received H & I fire missions for night. Co., S-3, 1st At's notified line.	F
2400		4		From 1900-2400, 50% security, no enemy contact.	

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PLACE: Danang, South Vietnam
FROM (Date and hour): 220001 H Nov 66
TO (Date and hour): 222400 H Nov 66

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M–Maps, S–Staff, T–Troops, F–File)
0519		1		Patrol received two rds sniper fire. Fire returned.	F
0222		2		Received call from Smk Bn SA rds impacted in tank & LVT area. Patrol returned fire.	F
0555		3		Patrol returned to CP.	F
0605		4		Received word from Smk Bn 3 that at same time our ambush was firing a tank on roadblock had several rds accidentally fired from cal 50 mg. Mg was elevated in direction of tank & LVT area. Possibly these were impacting in the area as shown on entry # 2.	F
0[illegible]		5		Patrol leader stated dubious of his troops firing high enough to impact on hill 34 encampments. Possible but not probable.	F
1105		6		Sit Rip from TA-A to TA S-3 201200 H to 211200 H 1. Expanded 97 106mm as H & I. Neg results. 2. Disposition remains the same.	F
1405		7		S-3 officer checked out to Wha Com	F
1525		8		S-3 officer returned to S-3	F

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FROM *(Date and hour)*: 230001 H Nov 66
TO *(Date and hour)*: 232400 H Nov 66

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M–Maps, S–Staff, T–Troops, F–File)
0800		1		1. From TA A to TA S-3 Sit Rip 211200 H to 221200 H	
				2. Expanded 60 106 mm rds as H&I fire neg results	
				3. One Ontos still on deadline A 34	
				4. Disposition remains the same	F
0845		2		S-2 & S-3 officer checked out of Div	F
1120		3		S-2 & S-3 officer checked into Div	F
2100		4		Received word from Smk Rm #3 that there will be wide spread V.C. activity over a large area tonight. Be especially alert. S-3 notified	F
2400		5		From 1900 - 2400, 50% security, no no enemy contact.	F

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FROM *(Date and hour)*: 240001 H Nov 66
TO *(Date and hour)*: 242400 H Nov 66

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M–Maps S–Staff T–Troops F–File)
0030		1		Patrol departed CP by north gate	F
0310		2		Patrol returned to CP by south gate	F
1730		3		Received 24 Nov 66 at 1730 H From: TA A To: TA B Info: TA 1. Fired 51 rds. 106 mm, H&I, results negative. 2. Dispositon remains the same 3. 2 ontos deadlined, No. 226789 & 226711. 4. 2 M 422 - A1 No. 30667 & 307923 on deadline	F
2400		4		From 1900-2400, 50% security, no no enemy contact.	F

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FROM (Date and hour): 250001 H Nov 66
TO (Date and hour): 252400 H Nov 66

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	F
2000		2		Gun # 1 spotted man by grass shack. Put spot light on subject, he hit the deck. Sargeant of guard was notified	F
2130		3		Patrol departs Bn. CP. 3d Tank Bn notified.	F
2400		4		From 0630 - 2400, 50% security, no no enemy contact.	F

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PLACE: Danang, South Vietnam
FROM (Date and hour): 260001 H Nov 66
TO (Date and hour): 262400 H Nov 66

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	F
0100		2		Patrol returns to area.	F
0850		3		Patrol departed area.	F
1730		5		Msg: As follows Precedence: R 261530 H FM: TA A To: TA S-3 Info: TA B 251200-261200 H 1. Expended 3 rds, negative results 2. M 50 A-1 (1) still deadlined no USMC 226789 3. M-422 (2) still deadlined 4. This position remains the same. Received this msg 1730 H 26 Nov 66	F
240		6		Patrol returns to CP	F
2400		7		From 1930-2400, 50% security no enemy contact	

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PLACE: Danang, South Vietnam
FROM *(Date and hour)*: 270001 H Nov 66
TO *(Date and hour)*: 272400 H Nov 66

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.	F
2000		2		Heard firing, found POL dump areas receiving fire.	F
2136		3		Patrol departs Bn CP on mission	F
2400				From 1900-2400, 50% security no enemy contact.	F

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PLACE: Danang, South Vietnam
FROM (Date and hour): 280001 H Nov 66
TO (Date and hour): 282400 H nov 66

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M—Maps S—Staff T—Troops F—File)
0100		1		Patrol returns to Bn CP, no enemy contact	F
0630		2		From 2400-0630, 50% security no enemy contact	F
1050		3		Received call from Smk Bn # 3 that there will be a meetng, at 1330 to discuss assignment of personnel for guard at POL and various other installations. S-3 notified.	F
1400		4		Held practise alert. Men had trouble hearing sirens in present location, so sirens were moved to BOQ # 1 and motor transport dispatchers shack.	F
1500		5		Bn Co held meeting of all security heads.	F
2215		6		Patrol departed area.	F
2320		7		Word came H &I fire.	F
2400		8		From 1900-2400, 50% security no enemy contact.	F

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TO (Date and hour): 292400 H Nov 66

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M–Maps S–Staff T–Troops F–File)
0140		1		Patrol back in CP area no enemy contact.	F
0800		2		Held walk through on Man the Hole position.	F
0815		3		Secured walk through, Man the Hole positions.	
0845		4		Smk Rm # 3 called and stated, that there would be a meeting of all representa tives from 6-3 at 1330, at Smk Rm #3	F
1415		5		Co. "C" 6 would like for S-3 officer to call him as Ap	F
1930		6		Gun #5 reported one incoming round. Cpl Woodhams stated he thought it came from Am Tracs, called gunner Florence who stated no rounds were fired from his line.	F
1935		7		Received H & I fire missions for night, Co.- S-3, line notified.	F
2400		8		From 1900-2400, 50% security no enemy contact.	F

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TO (Date and hour): 302400 H Nov 66

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M—Maps S—Staff T—Troops F—File)
0200		1		Patrol departed area, south gate.	F
0600		2		Patrol returned, no contact or incidents reported	F
2200		3		Patrol departed north gate.	F
2400		4		From 1900-2400, 50% security no enemy contact.	F

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PLACE: 3d ANTITANK BATTALION

FROM (Date and hour): 010800H Nov 66

TO (Date and hour): 301600H Nov 66

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M—Maps S—Staff T—Troops F—File)
	x	580	011600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	581	021600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	582	031600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	583	041600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	584	041600	Sub Tank Refueler rpt to SGI-35	F
	x	585	051600	Sub Request for Shipping re DivEngO	F
	x	586	051600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	587	061600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	588	071600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	589	081600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	590	091600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	591	101600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	592	111600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	593	121600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	594	131600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	595	141600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	596	151600	Sub Ammo rpt to DivOrdO	F
	x	597	151600	Sub DCE rpt to G-4	F
	x	598	151600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	599	161600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	600	171600	Sub Daily rpt Deadline to G-4	F
	x	601	181600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	602	191600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F

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PLACE: 3d ANTITANK BATTALION
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TO (Date and hour): 301600H Nov 66

TIME IN	TIME OUT	SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN (M—Maps S—Staff T—Troops F—File)
	x	603	201600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	604	211600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	605	221600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	606	231600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	607	241600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	608	241600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	609	241600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	610	251600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	611	261600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	612	271600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	613	281600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	614	291600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	615	301600	Sub Daily Deadline rpt to G-4	F
	x	616	301600	Sub Lessons Learned to S-3	F
	x	617	301600	Sub REDOPS to S-3	F
	x	618	301600	Sub DCE rpt to G-4	F
	x	619	301600	Sub Ammo rpt to DivOrdO	F
	x	620	301600	Sub Command Chronology to S-3	

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To: Commandant of the Marine Corps (Code AO3D)
Via: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein) FMF
Commanding General, III Marine Amphibious Force
Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force Pacific

Subj: Command Chronology for period 1 Dec 1966 to 31 Dec 1966

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2
(b) FMFPACO 5750.8
(c) DivO 5750.1A

Encl: (1) December 1966 Command Chronology

1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a), (b), and (c), enclosure (1) is submitted.

2. Downgraded at three year intervals. Declassified after twelve years. DOD Dir 5200.10.

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PART I
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION	COMMANDER
3d Antitank Battalion	Maj C. R. STIFFLER
SUBORDINATE UNITS	
H&S Company	2dLt C. P. WAGER
Executive Officer	Unassigned
Company "A"	Capt A. A. COMPTON (1-9 Dec 66) Capt B. HASTINGS (10-31 Dec 66)
Executive Officer	1stLt R. F. PINION
1st Plt	2dLt W. M. HAYES
2d Plt	2dLt E. B. O'NIEL
3d Plt	2dLt D. R. RUSH
Company "B"	Capt S. L. CAMBY
Executive Officer	Unassigned
1st Plt	2dLt R. L. GIBSON
2d Plt	2dLt J. G. RICHARDSON (1-14 Dec 66) 1stLt D. D. EGAN (15-31 Dec 66)
3d Plt	2dLt M. L. BAILEY
Company "C"	Capt S. T. FLYNN
Executive Officer	2dLt A. W. HOOF (1-16 Dec 66) Unassigned (17-31 Dec 66)
1st Plt	2dLt F. E. RIVERO
2d Plt	2dLt P. H. SAUER
3d Plt	SSgt T. M. BURKE (1-29 Dec 66) 2dLt F. G. MISEMER (30-31 Dec 66)
2. LOCATION	
3d Antitank Battalion	1-31 Dec DANANG TAOR
H&S Company	1-31 Dec DANANG TAOR

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"A" Company 1-31 Dec DONG HA TAOR
"B" Company 1-31 Dec PHU BAI TAOR
"C" Company 1-31 Dec DANANG TAOR

3 STAFF OFFICERS

BATTALION HEADQUARTERS

Commanding Officer.....Maj C. R. STIFFLER
Executive Officer.....Capt D. C. SATCHER
S-1/Adj.....2dLt F. A. GUILE
S-2 Officer.....WO C. C. HARRIS
S-3 Officer.....1stLt J. C. DEBILIO
(1-14 Dec 66)
1stLt D. K. CASWELL
(15-16 Dec 66)
1stLt A. W. HOOF
(17-31 Dec 66)
S-3A Officer.....1stLt D. K. CASWELL
(1-14 Dec 66)
Unassigned
(15-31 Dec 66)
Liaison Officer.....Unassigned
S-4 Officer.....Capt D. C. SATCHER
Supply Officer.....1stLt R. U. BOKELMAN
Motor Transport Officer .....2dLt R. H. SOKOLOWSKI
Ordnance Maintenance Officer.....WO L. C. SHOLPP
Communications Officer.....1stLt J. L. WEIS
Medical Officer.....HM-1 A. D. McDOLE, USN

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

	USMC		USN		OTHER	
	Off	Enl	Off	Enl	Off	Enl
H&S Company	10	127	0	5	0	0
"A" Company	5	76	0	1	0	0
"B" Company	4	78	0	1	0	0
"C" Company	4	80	0	1	0	0
3d Antitank Bn	23	361	0	8	0	0

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PART II
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. H&S Company. The Company remained in the Battalion Command Post (AT 989711) throughout the month and provided personnel for the Command Post security and Reaction Forces, a commitment which utilized an average of 35% of the available personnel each day. During the month, repairs to all bunkers and improvement and enlargement of the trench systems were commenced. The reaction force was reorganized into three permanent eight man squads, plus a corpsman in each squad. During the month the company conducted 29 night patrols/ambushes, one blocking force in support of Hoa Cam Training Center eight daylight clearing sweeps of the Yen Bac Hamlet complex and participated in a three day County Fair Operation on 12, 13, 14 December in the Hoa Thinh Village Complex (AT 957[illegible]). The clearing operations resulted in the destruction of one cave and the County Fair netted five VCS and 34 VCS.

2. "A" Company. The company remained in direct support of the 3d Marine Regiment throughout the month. On 4 December the Heavy Section of the 1st Platoon, in support of "L" Company, 3d Marines, (YD 975567) suffered one WIA (non-evacuated) when the position was attacked with small arms, mortar, and recoilless rifle fire. Automatic weapons fire and 79 106mm HEP-T rounds were returned with undetermined results. On 11 December, 2d Platoon relieved 1st Platoon, which returned to the Company Command Post at (YD 060541), at Camp J. J. Carroll and became part of the Camp Reaction Force. The Light Section of the 3d Platoon took over from the Light Section of the 2d Platoon, in support of Company "F", 3d Marines, on bridge security at (YD 026561). On 20 December, Company "L", 3d Marines received 20-40 rounds of mortar fire which inflicted four WIA (two Med-Evac) on the Heavy Section of the 2d Platoon. Automatic weapons fire was returned with undetermined results. On 21 December, the Light Section of the 2d Platoon returned to the Company CP. On 31 December, the Heavy Section of the 3d Platoon accompanied Company "F", 3d Marines into the Gua Valley south of Camp J. J. Carroll to bolster forces of the Army of the Republic of Vietnam in the valley.

3. "B" Company. The Company remained in Direct Support of the 4th Marine Regiment throughout the month. On 2 December the 2d Platoon was dropped to BLT 1/4. On 14 December, the CNTOS Platoon from BLT 3/26 was [illegible] as the new 2d Platoon. On 15 December, the 1st Platoon moved from Dong Ha (YD 234585) by LCU to the Company CP in Phu Bai (YD 894143), and arrived on 16 December. On 16 December the new 2d Platoon also arrived at the Company CP from Dong Ha. On 18 December, the 2d Platoon moved to support 2/26 on Operation Pawnee III at (YD 129012). On 22 December the Company (-), consisting of a Command group and two platoons, moved to (YD 531316) to support 3/26 on Operation Chinook. At 222300H December, the 3/26 defensive perimeter came under mortar and small arms fire which lasted until 230600H December. The 3d Platoon suffered one KIA during the action. In addition, one [illegible]-35 [illegible]

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one M-107 and one M-422A1 suffered minor damage from shrapnel and small arms fire. One enemy mortar position was silenced by 106 Recoilless Rifle fire during the engagement but the enemy casualities could not be determined. On 24 December the light section of the 2d platoon moved with 2/26 (-) into the Operation Chinook Area. On 25 December Headquarters, 4th Marines assumed control of the Operation. The Heavy Section of the second Platoon remained at (ZD 129012) with a company from 2/26 to provide security for the Phu Loc Area.

4. BOT Company. The Company remained in direct support of the 9th Marine Regiment throughout the month. On 8 December C-32 from the Light Section of the 3d platoon in support of Company "B" 26th Marines fired 12 106mm HEP-T rounds from (AT 923535) at a boat in the Song Thu Bon at (AT 901523). The boat was destroyed and there were three VC KIA (Probable). On 15 December, the Light Section of the 3d Platoon was escorting two wheeled vehicles back to the Company/3d Platoon Command Post (AT 967617), along Liberty Road when the convoy was ambushed by an estimated VC Platoon of 35-40 men at (AT 968596). The lead ONTOS was hit by a Russian RPG-2 Antitank Rocket resulting in the destruction of four 106mm Recoilless Rifles and three WIA (Med-Evac). Automatic weapons and small arms fire and 18 - 106mm HEP-T rounds were returned by the second ONTOS and personnel in the wheeled vehicles, suppressing the incoming fire and permitting the damaged ONTOS to continue to the Platoon Command Post. The position was supported within 15 minutes by tanks from Company "B", 3d Tank Battalion, and infantry from 1/26. Fire from the second ONTOS was credited with inflicting three VC KIA and six VC KIA (Probable) on the enemy force. On 16 December, C-33 from the Heavy Section of the 3d Platoon had a malfunction of one of its 106mm Recoilless Rifles which caused the accidental discharge of one 106mm HEP-T round, resulting in the destruction of one water buffalo and slight injury to one Vietnamese woman. Investigation failed to determine the cause of the malfunction. Solatium payment was made to the victim at Dai Loc District Headquarters (AT 917578) by the Battalion S-2 Officer. On 20 December, C-33 detonated a mine at (AT 949583) while escorting an engineer sweep team on Highway 14 resulting in the destruction of the ONTOS and one KIA and one WIA to the crew. The vehicle was unburieved and Code X'd. Also on 20 December, C-32, at the Company CP, zeroed in on a VC flag at (AT 971604) and fired two 106mm FLESHETTE rounds when a TPS-25 from 1/26 registered movement in the vicinity of the flag. The results were undetermined. On 26 December, the 2d Platoon returned to the Battalion CP (AT 989714), from An Hoa (AT 875775), where it had been in Direct Support of 2/5, preparatory to going afloat with BLT 3/9. 1st Platoon remained in Direct Support of 3/7 throughout the reporting period and had its Command Post located on Hill 65 (AT [illegible]).

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PART III
SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. COMBAT MISSIONS ASSIGNED.

a. Direct Support of Marine Infantry, by providing direct and indirect fire support, H&I fires, and CP Security.

b. Convoy Escort.

c. Engineer Road Sweep Security.

2. SIGNIFICANT OPERATIONS CONDUCTED.

a. Company "A" continues in support of the 3d Marines on Operation Prairie.

b. Company "B" continues in support of the 4th Marines on Operation Chinook.

c. Company "C" continues in support of the 9th Marines.

3. CASUALTIES INFLICTED ON THE ENEMY.

a. Three VC KIA.

b. Nine VC KIA (Probable).

c. Enemy Equipment destroyed.

(1) One Sampan.

(2) One mortar silenced on Operation Chinook.

4. CASUALTIES SUSTAINED.

a. Two KIA.

b. Nine WIA.

5. NEW TECHNIQUE EMPLOYED. Company "C" fired two 106mm FLESHETTE rounds at a preselected target when a TPS-21 detected movement in the target area, with undetermined results.

6. COMMAND RELATIONS.

a. Battalion Headquarters and H&S Company OPCON 1st Marine Division, and ADCON 3d Marine Division.

b. Company "A" direct support of 3d Marines, OPCON 3d Marine Division.

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c. Company "B" Direct Support 4th Marines OPCON 3d Marine Division

d. Company "C" Direct Support 9th Marines OPCON 1st Marine Division

e. Battalion ADCON 3d Marine Division

7. EQUIPMENT:

a. 42 M50A1 ONTOS on 31 December 1966.

b. 38 M50A1 ONTOS were operationally ready 31 December 1966

c. One M50A1 ONTOS was destroyed by a mine on 20 December 1966.

d. One M50A1 ONTOS was damaged by a RPG-2 Antitank Rocket on 15 December 1966 and has been repaired.

8. LOGISTICS.

a. Supply

(1) Two platoons were invoiced to the Battalion from 9th MAB.
(2) One ONTOS was coded R-4 for evacuation results of mine damage in November 1966
(3) The overall fill rate of requisitions was 110% for all priorities.

b. Motor Transport

(1) Two trucks M-37 were received under the R&E Program.

(2) Two parts trailers and one wrecker M-62 were turned into FLSG-A for evacuation.

(3) 955 trips were dispatched for a total of 14,349 miles

c. Maintenance

(1) Eight Contact Teams were dispatched to Gun Companies during the month.

(2) A total of ten work orders were accepted from the letter companies and nine were completed.

9. COMMUNICATIONS

a. Southern Sector, 1st MarDiv Rear Defense Command Net is now being monitored dailey from 1800-0600

b. A covered voice circuit was established for communications between Company "B" and the 4th Marines.

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10. CIVIC ACTION.

a. Medical Assistance. The Medical Contact Team dispersed a total of 348 treatments to the inhabitants of Yen Bac (AT 985708) and Cam Hoa (AT 970704).

b. Community Developement. Lumber was furnished to Yen Bac for building a new foot bridge to replace a bridge that was washed away. A request was initiated for 300 bags of fertilizer to be distributed to Cam Hoa and Yen Bac.

c. Commodity Distribution. Yen Bac and Cam Hoa Hamlet Chiefs were furnished with Christmas Packages for Children. Each house was given a 1967 Vietnamese Calender.

d. Incidental. The Civic Action Team conducted VIP tours through subhamlet #5 of Yen Bac for Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge and for Congresswoman Mrs. Albert Thomas, from Texas.

11. ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL.

a. Awards

(1) Two Meritorious Masts
(2) Four Good Conduct Medals
(3) Eight Purple Hearts

b. Recommendations

(1) Three Bronze Stars, enlisted
(2) One Navy Commendation Medal, enlisted

c. Promotions

(1) Two, to 1st Lieutenant
(2) One, to 2d Lieutenant
(3) One, to Master Sergeant
(4) Two, to Gunnery Sergeant
(5) Three, to Staff Sergeant
(6) Three, to Sergeant
(7) One, to Corporal (meritorious)
(8) One, to Lance Corporal
(9) One, to Private First Class

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d. Personnel Joined

(1) One USMC Officer
(2) 38 USMC Enlisted

e. Personnel Transferred to CONUS

(1) Three USMC Officers
(2) 20 USMC Enlisted

f. NJP-Article 15 UCMJ-One violation Article 92 UCMJ

(1) Reduced to Private, and
(2) Fined $25 per month for two months

g. R&R-38 men

h. Overseas Extension Leave-Seven men

i. Overseas Tour Extensions Requested-21

j. Overseas Tour Extensions Approved-11

k. To Sick. Nine, (including six WIA, Med-Evac)

11. INTELLIGENCE. The Battalion received information on enemy and terrain from USMACV, III MAF, 1st and 3d Marine Divisions, Hoa Vang District Headquarters, Hoa Cam RF/Pf Training Center and 3d Tank Battalion INTSUMS.

12. WEATHER. Weather continued to be a hinderance to mobility for Company "C", particularly for platoons in support of 2/5 at An Hoa (AT 875475) and 1/26 south of Hill 55 (AT 967617) and for the section of ONTOS, from Company "A" in support of 3/3 (XD 974573), through inundation of terrain caused by Monsoon Rains.

13. FIRE SUPPORT.

a. ONTOS fired 27,-106mm rounds in four direct fire missions

b. ONTOS fired 575,-106mm rounds indirect fire as H&I.

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14. REDESIGNATIONS.

a. On 2 Dec, 2d Platoon, Company "B" was redesignated, Anti-tank Platoon, H&S Company, BLT 1/4

b. On 14 Dec, Antitank Platoon, H&S Company BLT 3/26, 3d platoon Company "A", 5th AT Bn) was redesignated 2d platoon Company "B".

15. TRAINING. All new personnel fired their individual weapons for familiarization. In addition all companies conducted refresher type FAM Firing using M-60, M-2Hb .50 cal, and M1919A4 .30 cal. machine gun.

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PART IV

CHRONOLOGIES OF SUBORDINATE COMMANDS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. CHRONOLOGIES

a. HqS Company	Enclosure (1)
b. "A" Company	Enclosure (2)
c. "B" Company	Enclosure (3)
d. "C" Company	Enclosure (4)
e. S-1	Enclosure (5)
f. S-4	Enclosure (6)

2. STAFF JOURNALS

a. S-3	Enclosure (7)
b. S-4	Enclosure (8)

3. SITREPS — Enclosure (9)

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H&S COMPANY
3d Antitank Battalion
3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
FPO, San Francisco 96602

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2 Jan 1967

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 3d Antitank Bn (Attn: S-3)

Subj: Command Chronology Report; submission of

Ref: BnO 5750.1

1. In accordance with reference (a), the following information is submitted:

a. Reaction Force

During the month of December, the Reaction Platoon was re-organized into three (3) permanent eight (8) man squads plus a corpsman with each squad and conducted twenty-nine (29) night patrol/ambushes.

The Reaction Force conducted eight (8) ~~search and find sweeps~~ CLEARING of the Yen Bac Village Complex, destroying one (1) cave complex and discovering one dead Vietnamese, in casket, in the village school house.

The Reaction Force was also called upon to act as a blocking force for a combined sweep by 3d Tank Bn and a force from Hoa Cam Training Center, conducted on 20 December. Negative results were reported.

The Reaction Force participated in a three (3) day County Fair type operation of the Hoa Thinh Village Complex, conducted by 3d Tank Bn. Results were five (5) confirmed Viet Cong and 34 suspects.

b. C.P. SECURITY

Re-construction of the defensive bunkers and increasing the trenches of the perimeter were started during this month. A complete new top was placed on the Command Bunker and also the Ammunition Bunker.

Training for the month included normal on-the-job training plus FAM fire of the M-60 Machine Gun, M-14 Rifle, and those armed with the .45 Cal. Pistol, on 4 December and again on 31 December 1966. Both FAM firings were conducted at the Hoa Cam Training Center.

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COMPANY "A"
3d Antitank Battalion
3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
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12 Dec 1966

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 3d Antitank Battalion

Subj: Command Chronology

Ref: (a) SnO 5750.1

Period Covered: 010001H to 102400H December 1966

Company "A"

Commanding Officer	Capt. A. A. COMPTON
Executive Officer	1stLt. R. F. PINION
1stPlt Commander	2ndLt. W. M. HAYES
2ndPlt Commander	2ndLt. E. B. O'NEIL
3rdPlt Commander	2ndLt. D. E. RUSH

UNIT	GRID LOC	MISSION	UNIT SUPPORTED
Co"A"	YD060541	D/S	3d Marines
1stPlt HySec.	YD975567	D/S	L3/3
LtSec.	YD978587	D/S	I,K,M,&H&S3/3
2ndPlt HySec.	YD060541	D/S	F,G,H,&H&S2/9
			F,H,&H&S2/3
LtSec.	YD026561	D/S	E2/9 & E2/3
3rdPlt	YD060541	D/S	Hq 3d Marines

1. Operations.

a. During the reporting period this company continued in support of 3d Marines. 2/3 relieved 2/9 on 4 December 1966. F2/9 remained OPCON to 2/3. G2/3 was OPCON to 4th Marines. During the reporting period there were three direct fire missions of 114 rds. of 106mm HEP-T. A total of 374 rounds of 106mm HEP-T were expended as H&I fires with unknown results. A total of 1480 rds. of Cal..30 ammo expended.

b. Statistics.

1st Platoon remained in support of 3/3 with 3 ONTOS located at YD975567 in support of L3/3 and two ONTOS located at YD978587 in support of I,K,M,&H&S3/3. On 041530H returned enemy small arms, mortar, and 82mm recoilless rifle fire received from enemy at YD989567. Expended 79 HEP-T rounds of 106mm and 1480 Cal..30 rds. with unknown results. On 051530H to 061530H expended 33 HEP-T rds. in support of L3/3 conducting sweep at YD968566. Negative results. On 082200H fired 2 HEP-T rds. Results unknown. Fired 298 rds. HEP-T as H&I fires. Results unknown.

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2nd Platoon remained in support of 2/9 & 2/3 with three ONTOS located at YD060541 in support of F,G,H,&M&S2/9; F,H,&E&S2/3. Two ONTOS located at YD026561 in support of E2/9 & E2/3. E2/3 relieved E2/9 on 4 December 1966. Fired 78 HEP-T rds. of 106mm as H&I fires with unknown results.

3rd Platoon remained in Company CP and acted as reaction force for Camp J. J. CARROLL. Corporal T. L. McFARLAND 2116434 USMC WIA, superficial flesh wound in buttocks. Not Evacuated.

c. Cross country mobility considerably imparied due to poor trafficability of terrain.

d. At 041530H when L3/3 position was taken under enemy fire, Corporal T. L. McFARLAND with complete disregard for his own personal safety ran to his ONTOS in the face of hostile fire and began returning fire, thereby inspiring the other Marines of his section to take immediate action.

1stLt. R. F. PINION and 1stSgt. E. J. THORN administered first aid to wounded helicopter crewman.

2. Training.

a. OJT - 200 hours.

b. Field Fortifications - 8 hours.

c. Problem Areas - Lack of "In Kind" issues such as boots and trousers.

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COMPANY "A"
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21 Dec 1966

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 3d Antitank Battalion

Subj: Command Chronology

Ref: (a) BnO 5750.1

Period Covered: 110001H Dec66 to 202400H Dec66

Company "A"

Commanding Officer	Capt. Barclay HASTINGS
Executive Officer	1stLt. R. F. PINION
1stPlt Commander	2ndLt. W. M. HAYES
2ndPlt Commander	2ndLt. E. P. B. O'NEIL
3rdPlt Commander	2ndLt. D. E. RUSH

UNIT		GRID LOG	MISSION	UNIT SUPPORTED
Co "A"		YD060541	D/S	3d Marines
1stPlt		YD060541	D/S	Hq 3d Marines
2ndPlt	HySec	XD975567	D/S	L 3/3
	LtSec	XD978587	D/S	I,K,M, & H&S 3/3
3rdPlt	HySec	YD060541	D/S	E,H, & H&S 2/3
	LtSec	YD026561	D/S	F 2/3

1. Operations.

a. During the reporting period this Company continued in support of 3d Marines. There were no direct fire missions. A total of 158 rounds of 106mm HEP-T were expended as H&I fires with unknown results. 2400 rounds of Cal. .30 ammo expended.

b. Statistics.

On 11 Dec 1966 1stPlt returned to Company CP and acted as reaction force for Camp J. J. Carroll.

2nd Platoon in relief of the 1st Platoon on 11 Dec 1966 supported 3/3 with three(3) ONTOS located at XD975567 in support of L 3/3, and two(2) ONTOS located at XD978587 in support of I,K,M, & H&S 3/3. On 17 Dec 1966, light section joined heavy section at XD975567.

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a. On 201830H Dec66, L 3/3 position received approximately 20 - 40 mortar rounds, resulting in four(4) WIA in 2dPlt. Fired 2400 rounds of Cal. .30 ammo in retaliation with unknown results. A total of 158 rounds of 106mm HEP-T were fired as H&I fires during the reporting period.

3rd Platoon remained in support of 2/3 with three(3) ONTOS located at YD060541 in support of E,H, & H&S 2/3. Two(2) ONTOS located at YD026561 in support of F 2/3. No rounds expended.

a. On 192100H Dec66, 2ndLt. W. M. HAYES and LCpl P. J. CANULETTE accompanied 2/3 on search & destroy mission in Cua Valley, to determine trafficability of terrain and feasibility of employment of ONTOS in support of search & destroy operations in the area of operations.

b. Conclusions: trafficability for ONTOS considered fair to good throughout most of the operating area. The feasibility and practicability of employment of ONTOS in search & destroy type operations is under continued evaluation.

Friendly Casualties.

2ndLt E. P.B. O'NEIL 093343 - Schrapnel in shoulder - not evacuated.
LCpl J. A. SCORZATO 2156332 - Schrapnel in arms, abdomen and back. Med Evac
PFC C. E. THORNBURG 2245311 - Schrapnel in back - not evacuated.
PFC G. OLSCHEWSKI 2170394 - Schrapnel in leg. - Med Evac

c. Cross country mobility considered fair to good throughout immediate area of 3rd Marines CP.

2. Training.

a. OJT - 200 hours
b. Field Fortifications - 80 hours
c. Problem areas - none

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3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF

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To: Commanding Officer, 3d Antitank Battalion

Subj: Command Cronology

Ref: (a) BnO 5750.1

Period Covered: 210001H Dec66 to 312400H Dec66

Company "A"

Commanding Offecer	Capt. Barclay HASTINGS
Executive Officer	1stLt. R. F. PINION
1stPlt Commander	2ndLt. W. M. HAYES
2ndPlt Commander	2ndLt. E. P. B. O'NEIL
3rdPlt Commander	2ndLt. D. E. RUSH

UNIT		GRID LOG	MISSION	UNIT SUPPORTED
Co"A"		YD060541	D/S	3d Marines
1stPlt		YD060541	D/S	2/3
2ndPlt	Hy Sec	XD975567	D/S	L, 3/3
	Lt Sec	YD060541	D/S	2/3
3dPlt	HySec	YD060541	D/S	2/3
	LtSec	YD026561	D/S	F, 2/3

1. Operations.

a. During the reporting period this Company continued in support of 3d Marines. A total of 49 rounds of 106mm HEP-T were expended as H&I fires with unknown results. There were no direct fire missions.

b. Statistics.

1st Platoon remained at CP to act as reaction force for Camp J. J. Carroll, and to accomplish Quarterly Service checks. On 29Dec66 evacuated A12 to FLSU for service to transmission.

2nd Platoon supported L 3/3 with three(3) Ontos located at XD975567. On 21Dec66, light section returned to Company CP to support 2/3. Fired a total of 49 rounds 106mm HEP-T as H&I fires. Results unknown.

3d Platoon remained in support of 2/3 with three(3) Ontos located at YD060541, and two(2) Ontos located at 026561 in support of F 2/3. On 31Dec66, Platoon Commander with heavy section accompanied E 2/3 on relief of ARVN forces at D5 in Cua Valley for a period of one to seven weeks: YD096518.

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c. Cross country mobility considered fair to good throughout immediate area of 3d Marines CP. Hardsurface improved and unimproved road net work passable to Ontos. Route #9 from XD986551 to YD239606 in good condition and passable.

2. Training.
   a. OJT - 100 hours
   b. Field Fortifications - 30 hours
   c. Problem areas - none

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

Period Covered: (Ø1ØØØ1 Dec66 to 1Ø24ØØ Dec66)

Company ("B")

Commanding Officer	Capt S. L. CAMBY
Executive Officer	Unassigned
1stPlt Cmdr	2ndLt R. L. GIBSON
2ndPlt Cmdr	2ndLt J. G. RICHARDSON
3rdPlt Cmdr	2ndLt M. L. BAILEY

UNIT	GRID LOC	MISSION	UNIT SPTD
Co("B")	(YD894143)	(D/S)	(1/4)
1stPlt	(YD234585)	(D/S)	(4th Marines)
2ndPlt	(YD894143)	(D/S)	(1/4)
3rdPlt (H Section)	(YD810154)	(D/S)	(1/4)
(L Section)	(YD931060)	(D/S)	(1/4)

1. Operations

a. The First Platoon maintained defensive positions at Dong Ha.

The Second Platoon continued to prepare for rotation with BLT 1/4. Defensive positions were maintained on the PHU BAI perimeter throughout the reporting period. On 2 December 1966 the platoon came under Op-Con/Ad-Con of BLT 1/4.

The Third Platoon continued in two sections in defensive of Company patrol basis. The platoon was static throughout the reporting period.

b. Statistics

(1) Platoons - (1)
Sections - (2)
(2-7) None

c. Effectiveness and limitations remain the same.

d. None

2. Training

a. OJT - 45
b. Informal

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(1) 4 hrs
(2) None
(3) None
(4) None
(5) Map Reading - 4 hrs
(6) Firing Procedures
(7) Waterproofing - 6 hrs

c. FAM
.30 caliber machine gun - 22 personnel
.45 caliber submachine gun - 35 personnel
7.62 M14 - 20 personnel
.45 caliber M1919A1 - 35 personnel
.50 caliber Spotters - 10 personnel
106 mm Recoiless - 10 personnel

d. None

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

Period Covered: (110001 Dec66 to 202400 Dec66)

Company ("B")

Commanding Officer	Capt S. L. CAMBY
Executive Officer	Unassigned
1stPlt Cmdr	2ndLt R. L. GIBSON
2ndPlt Cmdr	1stLt D. D. EGAN Jr.
3rdPlt Cmdr	2ndLt M. L. BAILEY

UNIT	GRID LOC	MISSION	UNIT SPTD
Co("B")	(YD894143)	(D/S)	(2/9)
1stPlt	(YD894143)	(D/S)	(2/9)
2ndPlt	(YD129012)	(D/S)	(2/26)
3rdPlt (H Section)	(YD894143)	(D/S)	(2/9)
(L Section)	(YD985039)	(D/S)	(2/9)

1. Operations

a. The First Platoon maintained defensive positions at Dong Ha until 15 December 1966, when the platoon was detached from D/S Fourth Marines. The platoon embarked aboard an LCU for PHU BAI, arriving at the Company CP at 161205 December. The platoon then maintained night positions on the PHU BAI perimeter, while preparing for future field operations.

The Second Platoon remained in the Company CP until 14 December 1966 when they embarked at HUE with BLT 1/4. On 14 December 1966 this company assumed OP CON/AD CON of the Ontos platoon from BLT 3/26 at Dong Ha (3rdPlt, CoA, 5thATBn) The platoon became 2nd Platoon Bravo. The platoon departed Dong Ha for PHU BAI on 15 December 1966, arriving at the Company CP on 16 December 1966. The platoon then prepared for field operations. On 18 December 1966 the platoon moved to the Operation Pawnee III area, in direct support of 2/26. On 19-20 December 1966 the platoon fired H&I fires.

The Third Platoon continued to operate in two (2) sections. On 12 December 1966 the Heavy Section was releived of duties at GIA IA, returing to the Company CP. The Light Section continued supporting Company size patrol bases at YD931060 and YD985039. No contact.

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b. Statistics

(1) Platoons - (2)
Sections - (2)
(2-6) None
(7) Ontos - 12 missions - 34 rds HEP-T - H&I - No result

c. Limitations - Remain the same

d. None

2. Training

a. OJT - 40
b. Informal
(1) 5
(2) None
(3) None
(4) None
(5) Waterproofing - 20 personnel - 5 hrs
(6) GMST - 9 hrs

c. None

d. None

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Period Covered: (2000001 Dec66 to 3124000 Dec66)

Company ("B")

Commanding Officer	Capt S. L. CAMBY
Executive Officer	Unassigned
1stPlt Cmdr	2ndLt R. L. GIBSON
2ndPlt Cmdr	1stLt D. D. EGAN Jr.
3rdPlt Cmdr	2ndLt M. L. BAILEY

UNIT		GRID LOC	MISSION	UNIT SPTD
Co("B")	Fwd	(YD531316)	(D/S)	(4th Marines)
	Rear	(YD894143)	(D/S)	
1stPlt		~~(YD531316)~~	(D/S)	(2/26)
2ndPlt	(H Section)	(YD129012)	(D/S)	(2/26)
	(L Section)	(YD531316)	(D/S)	(3/26)
3rdPlt		(YD531316)	(D/S)	(3/26)

1. Operations.

a. The Company Headquarters group with First and Third Platoons departed PHU-BAI on 22 December 1966 for "Operation Chinook" in THUA THIEN Provience (YD5230). The company forward was placed in D/S of 3d Battalion, 26th Marines. On the evening of 22 December 1966 at 2230 the 3d Battalion, 26th Marines perimeter came under intense mortar and small arms attack, which lasted sporadicly until 230600 December 1966. The Company suffered one (1) KIA (Third Platoon) and varying degrees of sharpnel/small arms damage to the wheel vehicles.

Assesment of damage. One M-35 sharpnel holes in body, water jacket broken, distributor wires cut; One M107A1 two flat tires, four (4) large sharpnel holes; One M422A1, flat tire, gas tank punctured, small arms hits; One M105 Trailer, sharpnel. The Company Forward came under OP CON 4th Marines on 251600 December 1966 when the Regiment Command group moved in. The Company Forward remained in the "Operation Chinook" area.

b. The First Platoon maintained defensive positions on the PHU-BAI perimeter from 20-22 December 1966. On 22 December 1966 the platoon departed PHU-BAI with Company "B" Forward to the "Operation Chinook" area. On the evening of 22 December 1966 the Heavy Section was placed in D/S of Company "I", 3d Battalion, 26th Marines and the Light Section in D/S of Company "L", 3d Battalion, 26th Marines, both on the defensive perimeter.

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During the night of 22 December 1966 the platoon fired 105 rounds .30 caliber and 7 rounds 106MM HEP-T at enemy mortar positions while the perimeter was under attack. The 23 through 25 December 1966 were spent in defensive positions on the perimeter. On 26 December 1966 the platoon moved to another position and placed in D/S of 2d Battalion, 26th Marines. Here they maintained defensive positions through 31 December 1966.

c. The Second Platoon continued on Operation Pawnee III. H&I fires were conducted on the evenings of the 20th, 22th, 26th, 28th and 30th of December 1966. All H&I's fired into following Grid Squares: 20 1295. 1395, 1495, 1296, 1396, 1496, 1297, 1397, 1497, 1298. On 21 December 1966 a foot patrol was conducted to recon possible motorized patrol routes. At 211500 December 1966 the platoon acted as a reaction force with a platoon of infantry to ZD185009 where a train hit a mine. No results. On 22 December 1966 a Light Section and troops made a road patrol from PHU-LOC to DAM LAP AN BAY. A Light Section patrol was also made on 23 December 1966 and 28 December 1966 between the same points. On 24 December 1966 the Light Section was attached to 2d Battalion, 26th Marines Headquarters group and two companies for movement to the "Operation" Chinook. The Heavy Section remained with one company of 2d Battalion, 26th Marines for security of the PHU-LOC area.

d. The Third Platoon moved with the Company Forward to "Operation Chinook" on 22 December 1966. On the evening of 22 December 1966 the platoon was placed in D/S of Company "M", 3d Battalion, 26th Marines on the defensive perimeter. During the ensusing action the platoon fired 29 rounds HEP-T, 75 rounds .50 spotter, and 600 rounds of .30 caliber at enemy positions. Results unknown. At 222300 one (1) KIA was suffered by the platoon from an accidential firing of a 106MM, when the loader was caught in the backblast area. The remainder of the period was spent on perimeter security.

2. Statistics.

(1) Platoons - (3)
Sections - (2)
(2) Patrols - 2ndPlt
(3) 222300 December 1966 (1) KIA "Operation Chinook" accidential backblast 106MM
(4) Unknown
(5) One (1) M1911 A1 Caliber .45 pistol Serial # 483012- Lost during night of 22 December 1966-disposition of weapon unknown
(6) None
(7) 1stPlt - 7 Missions - 7 rounds HEP-T - Unknown results
2ndPlt - 100 Missions - 151 rounds HEP-T - H&I
3rdPlt - 29 Missions - 29 rounds HEP-T - Mortar positions

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3. Limitations. Track vehicles must stay on high grounds, or roads, because of rains.

4. None

Training.

a. OJT - 40
b. Informal

(1) 4
(2) None
(3) None
(4) None
(5) GMST - 2hrs

c. None
d. None

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